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CyberSecurity CTF Tools

In addition a knowledge of basic Linux commands, access to the following tools (or equivalent tools) are recommended as preparation for an entry level Capture-the-Flag (CTF) competition. Use what ever works for you!

1. General Competition Tools:

- [Basic Linux Commands](#)
- [Kali Linux](#)
- [Google Chrome SSH](#) – Lightweight SSH Browser addon:
- **Number / Text Conversion Tools:**
 - [Number Converter](#) (Binary, Octal, Decimal, Hex)
 - [Hex to ASCII \(text\)](#)
 - [Binary to Text](#)
 - [Text to Numbers](#) (Hex, Decimal, Binary)
 - [Base64](#) (Text, Hex, Video, Audio, etc.)
 - [Base2-Base36](#) – Base2 to Base36 Converter

2. Open Source Intelligence:

- [Google](#), [Google Maps](#), [Google Dorks \(operators\)](#)
- [whois.domaintools.com](#) – Domain owners, name servers info, IP addresses
- [www.robtex.com](#) – Host name, IP , DNS and registry information
- [Jeffrey's Image Meta Data Viewer](#) – Image Meta Data info

3. Steganography Tools:

- [StegOnline](#) – web-based open-source port of StegSolve.
- [Hex Editor](#) – browser based hex editor
- *'strings'* – Linux command to view visible text characters
- *'binwalk'* – Linux command to extract embedded files and executables
- [Digital Invisible Ink Toolkit](#) – hide/extract files from inside an image
- [Steghide](#) – open source steganography software (Linux)
- [Stegosuite](#) – a free steganography tool written in Java (Linux).
- [pngcheck](#) – look for/correct broken chunks.
- [GeorgeOM.net](#) – Geo Explore Colour & Bit Planes (Go to “Browse Bit Planes”)

4. Cryptography Decoders:

- [XOR Decoder](#) – Calculate exclusive ‘OR’ operation
- [Caesar Cipher](#) – Shift Cipher
- [ROT13](#) – Shift Cipher
- [A1Z26](#) – Replace Letters with Numbers
- [Vigenere Cipher](#) (requires a key)
- [Atbash Cipher \(simple\)](#)
- [Vernan \(One-time Pad\)](#)
- [Rail Fence Cipher \(ZigZag\)](#)

5. Password Cracking:

1. [Hash-Identifier](#) – Identifies hash type (Kali)
2. [Hashcat](#) – HASH cracking tool (Kali)
3. [Crackstation](#) – Browser based Hash Cracker: (<https://crackstation.net/>)
4. [md5sum](#) – calculates/verifies 128-bit MD5 hashes,
5. [John the Ripper](#) – Detect and crack weak PWs (Kali).
6. [Rockyou.txt WordList](#) (download) – contains 14m unique PWs (Kali).

6. Web Exploitation:

1. [/robots.txt](#) – lists pages or files that search engines can't request,
2. [Dirbuster](#) – brute force discovery of **hidden** directories/files (Kali)
3. [Development Tools](#) – Browser option use to inspect source and cookies.
4. [User Agent Extension](#) – allows browser to switch user agent .

7. Log Analysis:

- See [Basic Linux Commands](#)

8. Scanning:

1. [Nmap](#) – utility for network discovery and auditing
2. [Dirbuster](#) – Scan web sites for hidden web pages
3. [Metasploit Framework](#) – scan for known vulnerabilities (Kali)
4. [Recon-ng](#) – perform recon on remote targets (Kali).
5. [W3bin.com](#) – Info on who is hosting a website

9. Network Traffic Analysis:

1. [Wireshark](#) – GUI based traffic capture and analysis tool (Kali, Windows or Mac OS).
2. [tcpdump](#) – [packet analyzer](#) utility for Linux [command line](#)
3. [WinDump](#) – Windows version on tcpdump.
4. [ngrep](#) – search for strings in network packets

10. Enumeration and Exploitation:

1. **'File' Command** – determine a file type (including executables)
2. **'Strings' Command** – Display text comments in an executable.
3. [Hex Editor](#) – view executable for visible text stings
4. **'xxd -r' Command** – convert a hex dump back to its original binary form
5. [Ghidra](#) – reverse engineering tool developed by the NSA
6. *[Objdump -d](#)* – Linux command line dis-assembler
7. [Netcat](#) – utility that reads and writes data across network
8. [uncompyle6](#) – translates Python bytecode back into source
9. [GDB](#) – Inspect memory w/in the code being debugged
10. [Pwntools](#) – a CTF framework and exploit development library.

11. Wireless Exploitation:

1. [Wigle.Net](#) – Wifi info database for hotspots from around the world
2. [Kali Linux](#) – Linux suite of cybersecurity tools
3. [Wireshark](#) – network packet analysis
4. [Aircrack-ng](#) – tools to assess WiFi network security
5. *'ifconfig'* command – configure and query [TCP/IP](#) network interface parameters
6. [Stumbler](#) (set SSID to ANY) active mode (Windows)
7. [Kismet](#) : both war-drive and sniffer. Uses passive mode (Linux)

References:

- [Basic Cyber Competition Skill Domains](#)
- [Cybersecurity Capture-the-flag \(CTF\) Competition Tips](#)
- [CTF101 – Cryptography](#)
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Top 10 Essential CTF Tools for Solving Reversing Challenges

1. Androguard

Androguard is a full python tool to play with android files. You can either use the command line or graphical frontend for androguard, or use androguard purely as a library for your own tools and scripts. There are so many open source projects are there which uses androguard like Droidbot, Cuckoo Sandbox, MobSF etc.

For especially malware analysis of android apps, Androguard is one of the best tool.

Download Link – <https://github.com/androguard/androguard>

2. ApkTool

Apktool is another reverse engineering tool to decompile Android APKs. It can easily decode resources to nearly original form and can even rebuild them after making some modifications.

It's the go-to tool for most independent developers looking to mod apps or uncover their secrets. The developer behind the tool recently announced an update to version 2.4.0, bringing lots of bug fixes and changes.

Download Link – <https://github.com/BotPeaches/Apktool>

3. BinUtils

The GNU Binary Utilities, or Binutils, are a set of programming tools for creating and managing binary programs, object files, libraries, profile data, and assembly source code.

But, if you are a developer who is working on Linux / UNIX platform, it is essential to understand the various commands that are available as part of GNU development tools. The below commands of BinUtils will help you to manipulate your binary, object and library files effectively.

- as – GNU Assembler Command
- ld – GNU Linker Command
- ar – GNU Archive Command
- nm – List Object File Symbols
- objcopy – Copy and Translate Object Files
- objdump – Display Object File Information
- size – List Section Size and Toal Size
- strings – Display Printable Characters from a File
- strip – Discard Symbols from Object File

Download Link – <http://www.gnu.org/software/binutils/binutils.html>

4. GDB

GDB, the GNU Project debugger, allows you to see what is going on 'inside' another program while it executes – or what another program was doing at the moment it crashed. GDB supports various programming languages such as C, C++, Fortran, Pascal, Assembly, Go etc.

The latest version of GDB is v8.3 which was released on May 11th, 2019 and is now available for [download](#).

Download Link – <https://www.gnu.org/software/gdb/>

5. IDA Pro

IDA is a Windows, Linux or Mac OS X hosted multi-processor disassembler and debugger that offers so many features. IDA Pro combines an interactive, programmable, multi-processor disassembler coupled to a local and remote debugger and augmented by a complete plugin programming environment.

As a disassembler, IDA Pro explores binary programs, for which source code isn't always available, to create maps of their execution.

Download Link – <https://www.hex-rays.com/products/ida/>

6. WinDbg

WinDbg is a multipurpose debugger for the Microsoft Windows computer operating system, distributed by Microsoft.

WinDbg can automatically load debugging symbol files (e.g., PDB files) from a server by matching various criteria like timestamp via SymSrv (SymSrv.dll). To begin using WinDbg, you need to create a dump (.dmp) file that you can load and look at.

Download Link – <http://www.windbg.org/>

7. Radare2

Radare2 or r2 is a rewrite from scratch of radare in order to provide a set of libraries and tools to work with binary files.

Radare project started as a forensics tool, a scriptable command-line hexadecimal editor able to open disk files, but later added support for analyzing binaries, disassembling code, debugging programs, attaching to remote gdb servers.

Download Link – <https://github.com/radare/radare2>

8. Detox

Detox is of the most popular JS malware analysis tool which works on most Linux distributions. The development is currently done on Linux with the latest chrome browser.

JSDetox is a Javascript malware analysis tool using static analysis / deobfuscation techniques and an execution engine featuring HTML DOM emulation.

Download Link – <https://github.com/svent/jsdetox>

9. BinWalk

Binwalk is a simple linux tool for analysing binary files for embedded files and executable code. It is mostly used to extract the content of firmware images.

On kali linux, binwalk is already installed. On Ubuntu you can do apt-get install binwalk or you can go to <https://github.com/ReFirmLabs/binwalk> and follow the instructions.

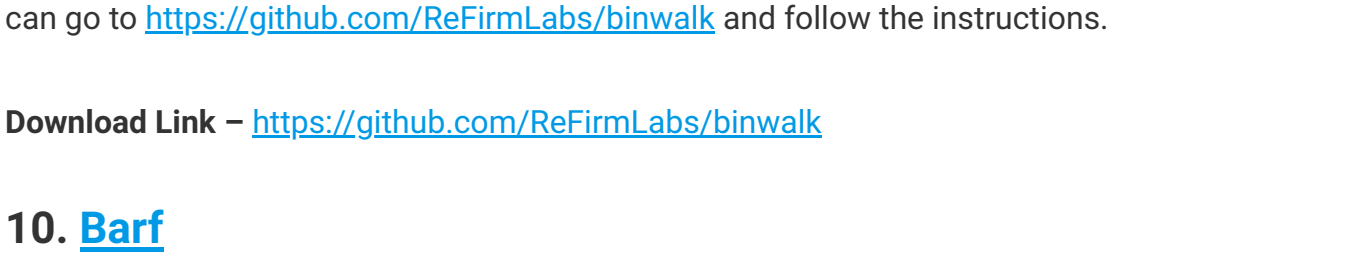
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10. Barf

BARF is an open source binary analysis framework that aims to support a wide range of binary code analysis tasks that are common in the information security discipline.

It is a scriptable platform that supports instruction lifting from multiple architectures, binary translation to an intermediate representation, an extensible framework for code analysis plugins and interoperation with external tools such as debuggers, SMT solvers and instrumentation tools.

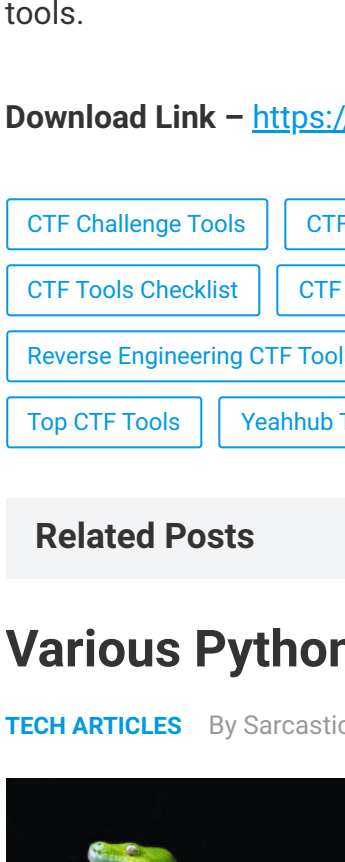
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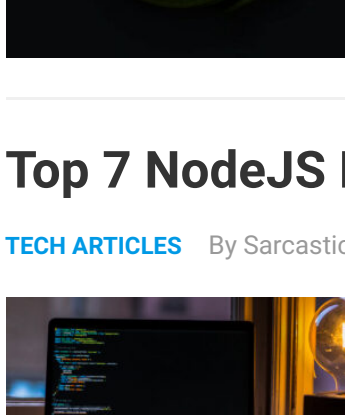
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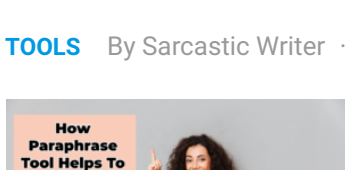
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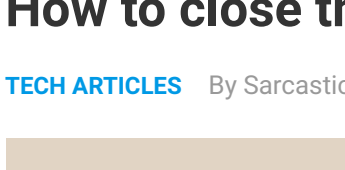
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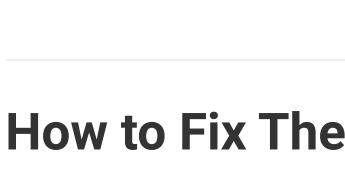
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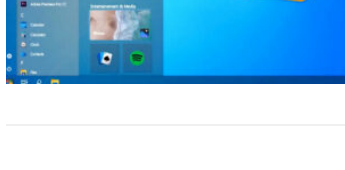
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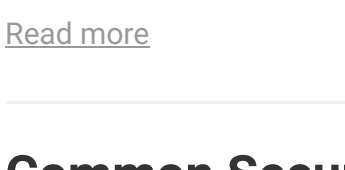
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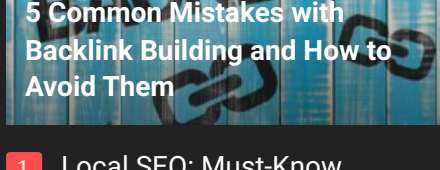
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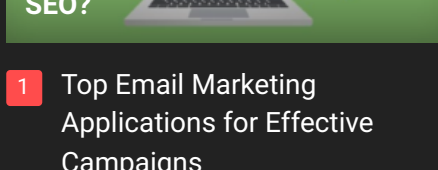
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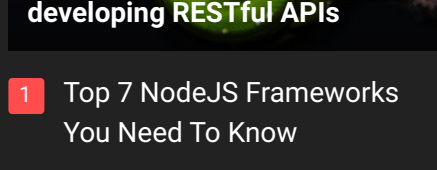
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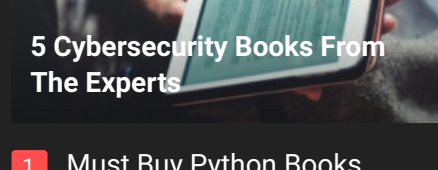
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CTF Tools

List of tools and resources for Pentesting and CTFs.

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 - IDE, Programming, text/binary, etc - it can do it all.

Cryptography

Resources

XOR Cypher

 - Explains the algorithm (understand XOR is always useful - not only in cybersecurity)

Tools

ghcq CyberChef

 - Encryption, encoding, compression, data analysis tool.

hashcat

 - Hash bruteforcing.

John the Ripper

 - Hash bruteforcing.

password-removal

 - Online ZIP password removal (uses john)

Forensics

Tools

binwalk

 - Extracts hidden files in files.

HxD

 - Hex Editor.

gzip

WinRAR

minimodem

Pentesting

Resources

GTFOBins

 - List of base Linux vulnerable binaries.

netcat

Reverse Shell Cheat Sheet

ssh

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Programming

Languages

Python

 - Useful for basically all CTF challenges (Recommend [pwntools](#)).

Resources

Esoteric Languages

 - Obscure programming languages.

Network Explotation

Tools

aircrack-ng

 - Tools to analyze network traffic.

ipconfig / ifconfig

Wireshark

nmap

Reverse Engineering

Resources

ROP

 - Reference for Return-Oriented Programming.

trailofbits Forensics

Tools

Android Emulator

 - Android Emulator.

Cheat Engine

dex2jar

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 - Linux CTF Image for Docker.

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 - Lightweight linux virtualization.

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 - Common security vulnerabilities.

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 - Tutorials on many cybersecurity topics and write-ups for CTFs.

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Awesome CTF

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A curated list of [Capture The Flag](#) (CTF) frameworks, libraries, resources, softwares and tutorials. This list aims to help starters as well as seasoned CTF players to find everything related to CTFs at one place.

Contributing

Please take a quick look at the [contribution guidelines](#) first.

If you know a tool that isn't present here, feel free to open a pull request.

Why?

It takes time to build up collection of tools used in CTF and remember them all. This repo helps to keep all these scattered tools at one place.

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Create

Tools used for creating CTF challenges

Kali Linux CTF Blueprints

 - Online book on building, testing, and customizing your own Capture the Flag challenges.

Forensics

Tools used for creating Forensics challenges

Dnsctf2

 - Hosts communication through DNS.

Kroll Artifact Parser and Extractor (KAPE)

 - Triage program.

Magnet AXIOM

 - Artifact-centric DFIR tool.

Registry Dumper

 - Dump your registry.

Platforms

Projects that can be used to host a CTF

CTFd

 - Platform to host jeopardy style CTFs from ISISLab, NYU Tandon.

echoCTF:RED

 - Develop, deploy and maintain your own CTF infrastructure.

FBCTF

 - Platform to host Capture the Flag competitions from Facebook.

Haukins

 - A Highly Accessible and Automated Virtualization Platform for Security Education.

HackTheArch

 - CTF scoring platform.

Melivora

 - A CTF engine written in PHP.

MotherFucking-CTF

 - Badass lightweight platform to host CTFs. No JS involved.

NightShade

 - A simple security CTF framework.

OpenCTF

 - CTF in a box. Minimal setup required.

PicoCTF

 - The platform used to run picoCTF. A great framework to host any CTF.

PyChallFactory

 - Small framework to create/manage/package jeopardy CTF challenges.

RootTheBox

 - A Game of Hackers (CTF Scoreboard & Game Manager).

Scorebot

 - Platform for CTFs by Legitbs (Defcon).

SecGen

 - Security Scenario Generator. Creates randomly vulnerable virtual machines.

Steganography

Tools used to create stego challenges

Check solve section for steganography.

Web

Tools used for creating Web challenges

JavaScript Obfuscators

Metasploit JavaScript Obfuscator

Uglify

Solve

Tools used for solving CTF challenges

Attacks

Tools used for performing various kinds of attacks

Bettercap

 - Framework to perform MITM (Man in the Middle) attacks.

Yersinia

 - Attack various protocols on layer 2.

Crypto

Tools used for solving Crypto challenges

CyberChef

 - Web app for analysing and decoding data.

FeatherDuster

 - An automated, modular cryptanalysis tool.

Hash Extender

 - A utility tool for performing hash length extension attacks.

padding-oracle-attacker

 - A CLI tool to execute padding oracle attacks.

PKCrack

 - A tool for Breaking PKZip-encryption.

QuipQuip

 - An online tool for breaking substitution ciphers or vigenere ciphers (without key).

RSACTFTool

 - A tool for recovering RSA private key with various attack.

RSATool

 - Generate private key with knowledge of p and q.

XORTool

 - A tool to analyze multi-byte xor cipher.

Bruteforcers

Tools used for various kind of bruteforcing (passwords etc.)

Hashcat

 - Password Cracker

Hydra

 - A parallelized login cracker which supports numerous protocols to attack

John The Jumbo

 - Community enhanced version of John the Ripper.

John The Ripper

 - Password Cracker.

Nozzlr

 - Nozzlr is a bruteforce framework, trully modular and script-friendly.

Ophcrack

 - Windows password cracker based on rainbow tables.

Patator

 - Patator is a multi-purpose brute-forcer, with a modular design.

Turbo Intruder

 - Burp Suite extension for sending large numbers of HTTP requests

Exploits

Tools used for solving Exploits challenges

DLInjector

 - Inject dlls in processes.

libformatstr

 - Simplify format string exploitation.

Metasploit

 - Penetration testing software.

Cheatsheet

one_gadget

 - A tool to find the one gadget `execve("/bin/sh", NULL, NULL)` call.

apt-get install one_gadget

Pwntools

 - CTF Framework for writing exploits.

Qira

 - QEMU Interactive Runtime Analyser.

ROP Gadget

 - Framework for ROP exploitation.

V0lt

 - Security CTF Toolkit.

Forensics

Tools used for solving Forensics challenges

Aircrack-ng

 - Crack 802.11 WEP and WPA-PSK keys.

apt-get install aircrack-ng

Audacity

 - Analyze sound files (mp3, m4a, whatever).

apt-get install audacity

Bkhive and Screenshot2

 - Dump SYSTEM and SAM files.

apt-get install screenshot2 bkhive

CFF Explorer

 - PE Editor.

CredDump

 - Dump windows credentials.

DVCS Ripper

 - Rips web accessible (distributed) version control systems.

Exif Tool

 - Read, write and edit file metadata.

Extundelete

 - Used for recovering lost data from mountaine images.

Fibratus

 - Tool for exploration and tracing of the Windows kernel.

Foremost

 - Extract particular kind of files using headers.

apt-get install foremost

Fsck.ext4

 - Used to fix corrupt filesystems.

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Why?

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Kali Linux CTF Blueprints

 - Online book on building, testing, and customizing your own Capture the Flag challenges.

Forensics

Tools used for creating Forensics challenges

Dnsctf2

 - Hosts communication through DNS.

Kroll Artifact Parser and Extractor (KAPE)

 - Triage program.

Magnet AXIOM

 - Artifact-centric DFIR tool.

Registry Dumper

 - Dump your registry.

Platforms

Projects that can be used to host a CTF

CTFd

 - Platform to host jeopardy style CTFs from ISISLab, NYU Tandon.

echoCTF:RED

 - Develop, deploy and maintain your own CTF infrastructure.

FBCTF

 - Platform to host Capture the Flag competitions from Facebook.

Haukins

 - A Highly Accessible and Automated Virtualization Platform for Security Education.

HackTheArch

 - CTF scoring platform.

Melivora

 - A CTF engine written in PHP.

MotherFucking-CTF

 - Badass lightweight platform to host CTFs. No JS involved.

NightShade

 - A simple security CTF framework.

OpenCTF

 - CTF in a box. Minimal setup required.

PicoCTF

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PyChallFactory

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RootTheBox

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Scorebot

 - Platform for CTFs by Legitbs (Defcon).

SecGen

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Check solve section for steganography.

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Tools used for performing various kinds of attacks

Bettercap

 - Framework to perform MITM (Man in the Middle) attacks.

Yersinia

 - Attack various protocols on layer 2.

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CyberChef

 - Web app for analysing and decoding data.

FeatherDuster

 - An automated, modular cryptanalysis tool.

Hash Extender

 - A utility tool for performing hash length extension attacks.

padding-oracle-attacker

 - A CLI tool to execute padding oracle attacks.

PKCrack

 - A tool for Breaking PKZip-encryption.

QuipQuip

 - An online tool for breaking substitution ciphers or vigenere ciphers (without key).

RSACTFTool

 - A tool for recovering RSA private key with various attack.

RSATool

 - Generate private key with knowledge of p and q.

XORTool

 - A tool to analyze multi-byte xor cipher.

Bruteforcers

Tools used for various kind of bruteforcing (passwords etc.)

Hashcat

 - Password Cracker

Hydra

 - A parallelized login cracker which supports numerous protocols to attack

John The Jumbo

 - Community enhanced version of John the Ripper.

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Nozzlr

 - Nozzlr is a bruteforce framework, trully modular and script-friendly.

Ophcrack

 - Windows password cracker based on rainbow tables.

Patator

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Turbo Intruder

 - Burp Suite extension for sending large numbers of HTTP requests

Exploits

Tools used for solving Exploits challenges

DLInjector

 - Inject dlls in processes.

libformatstr

 - Simplify format string exploitation.

Metasploit

 - Penetration testing software.

Cheatsheet

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 - A tool to find the one gadget `execve("/bin/sh", NULL, NULL)` call.

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Pwntools

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ROP Gadget

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V0lt

 - Security CTF Toolkit.

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Audacity

 - Analyze sound files (mp3, m4a, whatever).

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Bkhive and Screenshot2

 - Dump SYSTEM and SAM files.

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CFF Explorer

 - PE Editor.

CredDump

 - Dump windows credentials.

DVCS Ripper

 - Rips web accessible (distributed) version control systems.

Exif Tool

 - Read, write and edit file metadata.

Extundelete

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