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Digital Defender CTF Writeup Of All the 10 Flags Solved By Me

One By One

Description-

You have captured some network traffic from a mysterious server that seems to be sending some secret messages. You notice that each packet contains only one character in its payload, and that the packets are sent at irregular intervals. You wonder if this is a way of hiding the message from prying eyes. You also wonder why the server is using such an unusual protocol and what it is trying to achieve.

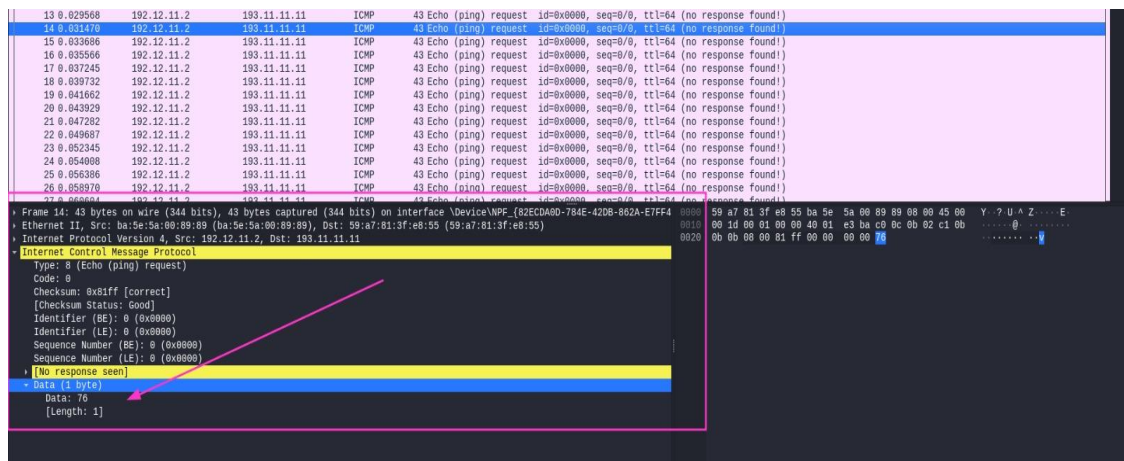
This challenge will test your skills in network analysis, packet manipulation, and data extraction. You will need to use scapy to filter, sort, and decode the packets in the pcap file. You will also need to figure out the logic behind the protocol and how it encodes the message.

FLAG FORMAT:

bi0s{...}

Flag - bi0s{ch4mpi0n_0n_7h3_w4y_0f_3xp10i7}

While analyzing the PCAPNG file we can see that it only contains one byte per packet, it means that the whole data that we require must be in those packets combined

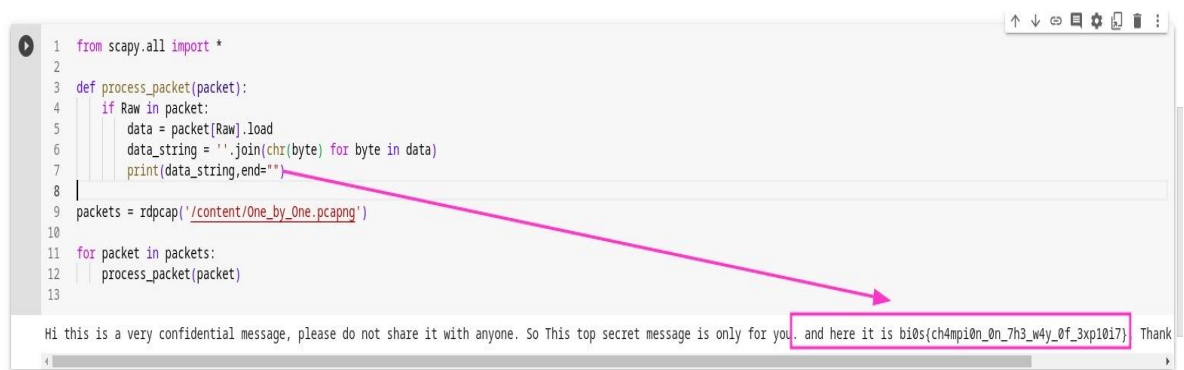


As suggested in the description we use python scapy library to parse the data with following code:
from scapy.all import *

```
def process_packet(packet):
    if Raw in packet:
        data = packet[Raw].load
        data_string = ''.join(chr(byte) for byte in data)
        print(data_string,end="")
```

```
packets = rdpcap('/content/One_by_One.pcapng')
```

```
for packet in packets:
    process_packet(packet)
```



Decrypt_The_Secrets

DESCRIPTION

We have received crucial intelligence that one of our highly skilled spies has successfully infiltrated the secretive lair of an unknown criminal group. The spy managed to discreetly install a packet sniffing device on one of their devices and was able to capture a few packets of data. However, we require an expert analysis to extract more comprehensive insights. This is where your expertise comes into play.

We urgently need your assistance in thoroughly examining the packet capture. Your mission is to meticulously comb through the captured packets, meticulously searching for relevant data that can aid us in thwarting the growth of this criminal organization.

FLAG FORMAT:

$$\text{bi0s}\{\dots\}$$

Flag -bi0s{n3tw0rk_interception_g0es_b00mx0x0}

We we take a look at protocol hireacrchy we see that the data is being transferred .

| Protocol | Percent Packets | Packets | Percent Bytes | Bytes | Bits/s | End Packets | End Bytes | End Bits/s | PDU's |
|-------------------------------|-----------------|---------|---------------|-------|--------|-------------|-----------|------------|-------|
| Frame | 100.0 | 18 | 100.0 | 1733 | 117 k | 0 | 0 | 0 | 18 |
| Ethernet | 100.0 | 18 | 14.5 | 252 | 17 k | 0 | 0 | 0 | 18 |
| Internet Protocol Version 4 | 100.0 | 18 | 20.8 | 360 | 24 k | 0 | 0 | 0 | 18 |
| Transmission Control Protocol | 100.0 | 18 | 64.7 | 1121 | 75 k | 0 | 0 | 0 | 18 |
| Data | 100.0 | 18 | 43.9 | 761 | 51 k | 18 | 761 | 51 k | 18 |

We get to know that it's a chat between two people.

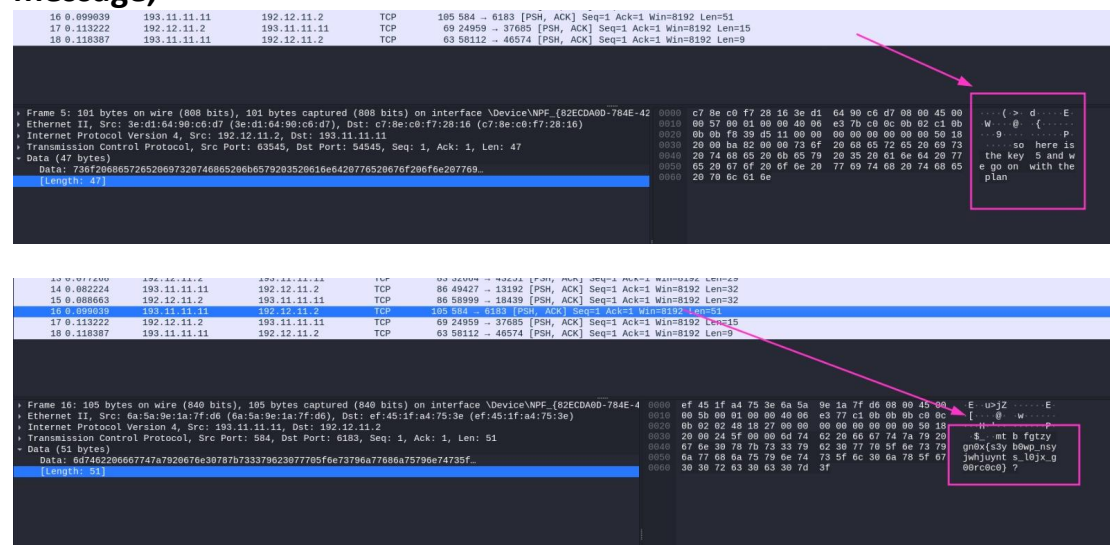
```
2.019347 193.11.11.11 192.12.11.2 TCP 57.47128 - 55951 [PSH, ACK] Seq=1 Ack=1 Win=8192 Len=3
2.027689 193.12.11.2 193.11.11.11 TCP 94.42112 - 7649 [PSH, ACK] Seq=1 Ack=1 Win=8192 Len=40
4.9.132224 193.11.11.11 192.12.11.2 TCP 104.24308 - 59573 [PSH, ACK] Seq=1 Ack=1 Win=8192 Len=52
5.9.035791 192.12.11.2 193.11.11.11 TCP 181.63545 - 54545 [PSH, ACK] Seq=1 Ack=1 Win=8192 Len=47
6.0.038471 193.11.11.11 192.12.11.2 TCP 122.44146 - 28863 [PSH, ACK] Seq=1 Ack=1 Win=8192 Len=60
7.0.041558 192.12.11.2 193.11.11.11 TCP 110.15751 - 23325 [PSH, ACK] Seq=1 Ack=1 Win=8192 Len=61
8.0.046987 193.11.11.11 192.12.11.2 TCP 99.57486 - 24570 [PSH, ACK] Seq=1 Ack=1 Win=8192 Len=42
9.0.050311 192.12.11.2 193.11.11.11 TCP 124.41506 - 25931 [PSH, ACK] Seq=1 Ack=1 Win=8192 Len=70
10.0.053282 193.11.11.11 192.12.11.2 TCP 115.28583 - 10696 [PSH, ACK] Seq=1 Ack=1 Win=8192 Len=61
11.0.065107 192.12.11.2 193.11.11.11 TCP 126.1361 - 35936 [PSH, ACK] Seq=1 Ack=1 Win=8192 Len=72
12.0.070756 193.11.11.11 192.12.11.2 TCP 129.39430 - 52898 [PSH, ACK] Seq=1 Ack=1 Win=8192 Len=75
13.0.077268 192.12.11.2 193.11.11.11 TCP 83.32664 - 43251 [PSH, ACK] Seq=1 Ack=1 Win=8192 Len=29
14.0.082224 193.11.11.11 192.12.11.2 TCP 86.48427 - 13192 [PSH, ACK] Seq=1 Ack=1 Win=8192 Len=32
15.0.080663 192.12.11.2 193.11.11.11 TCP 86.50899 - 18438 [PSH, ACK] Seq=1 Ack=1 Win=8192 Len=33
16.0.090939 192.12.11.2 192.12.11.2 TCP 105.584 - 6183 [PSH, ACK] Seq=1 Ack=1 Win=8192 Len=51
17.0.113222 192.12.11.2 193.11.11.11 TCP 89.24959 - 37685 [PSH, ACK] Seq=1 Ack=1 Win=8192 Len=15
18.0.113387 193.11.11.11 192.12.11.2 TCP 63.58112 - 46574 [PSH, ACK] Seq=1 Ack=1 Win=8192 Len=40
```

Frame 4: 166 bytes on wire (848 bits), 166 bytes captured (848 bits) on interface \\Device\\NPF{635CDA00-784E-4288-8010-000000000000} interface 0x...
Ethernet II, Src: 7c:85:91:27:52:ac (7c:85:91:27:52:ac), Dst: a1:a9:1e:58:af (a1:a9:1e:58:af)
Internet Protocol Version 4, Src: 193.11.11.11, Dst: 192.12.11.2
Transmission Control Protocol, Src Port: 24368, Dst Port: 50572, Seq: 1, Ack: 1, Len: 52
Data (52 bytes)
Data: 606179626507726520756e6465572207468652072616461722961667465722974...
[Length: 52]

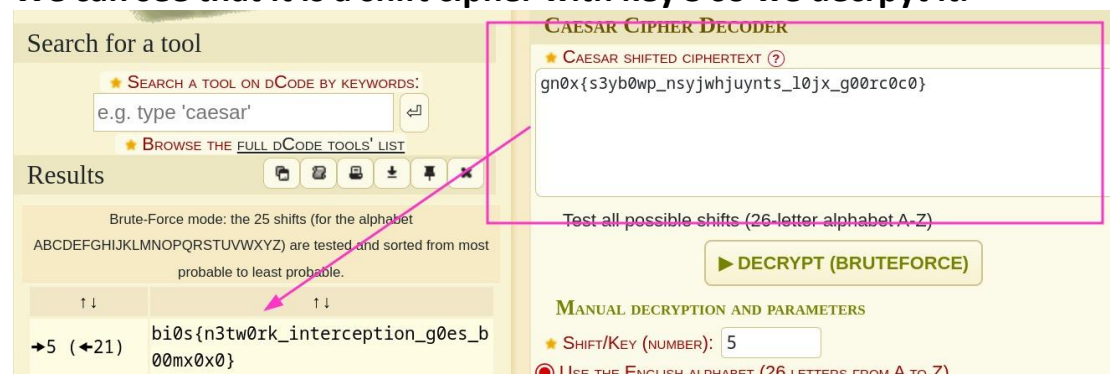
It's a chat

J=00E...E
...V...
...P
...s...
...re under the rad
ar after the hel
st failu re

And we also get to know that they are using some kind of encrypted text as we see the flag format but it is not in plain text we also see this message,



We can see that it is a shift cipher with key 5 so we decrypt it.



Pr0j3ct_M3t4

DESCRIPTION

In the realm of digital forensics, a captivating case unfolded, where a meticulous examination of metadata became the key to uncovering a concealed crime. As investigators delved into the digital artifacts, their attention was drawn to the hidden secrets nestled within the metadata fields. Timestamps, geolocation coordinates, and authorship details held the potential to unveil the truth. Through methodical analysis, a significant discovery emerged—a series of covert conversations, seemingly innocuous at first glance but containing coded references to illicit activities, is there anything on the image that was shared?

FLAG FORMAT:

bi0s{...}

Flag -bi0s{ex1f_d4t4}

Looking at the meta data of the image we see that there is a entry named comment which is unusual for an image and also we see that the string is encoded in Base64 ,thus when we decoded it we got the flag.

```
L$ identify -verbose 2_chall.jpg
Image: 2_chall.jpg
Format: JPEG (Joint Photographic Experts Group JFIF format)
Geometry: 1200x900
Class: DirectClass
Type: true color
Depth: 8 bits-per-pixel component
Channel Depths:
  Red:      8 bits
  Green:    8 bits
  Blue:     8 bits
Channel Statistics:
  Red:
    Minimum:          0.00 (0.0000)
    Maximum:         65535.00 (1.0000)
    Mean:            48266.43 (0.7365)
    Standard Deviation: 19387.22 (0.2958)
  Green:
    Minimum:          0.00 (0.0000)
    Maximum:         65535.00 (1.0000)
    Mean:            48743.25 (0.7438)
    Standard Deviation: 19784.03 (0.3019)
  Blue:
    Minimum:          0.00 (0.0000)
    Maximum:         65535.00 (1.0000)
    Mean:            48962.10 (0.7471)
    Standard Deviation: 19550.53 (0.2983)
Filesize: 60.0Ki
Interlace: No
Orientation: Unknown
Background Color: white
Border Color: #DFDFDF
Matte Color: #BDBDBD
Page geometry: 1200x900+0+0
Compose: Over
Dispose: Undefined
Iterations: 0
Compression: JPEG
Comment: Ymkwc3tleDFmX2Q0dDR9Cg==
JPEG-Quality: 65
```

MOD

DESCRIPTION

Alright, imagine you're at a never-ending carnival ride called Modular Arithmetic Land!

In this crazy land, numbers follow a special rule: they always go in circles!

Let's say we're on a Ferris wheel that has 12 seats. When it goes around, it counts from 1 to 12. But here's the twist: once it reaches 12, it starts back at 1! It's like a looping roller coaster for numbers!

That's modular arithmetic for you! It's like doing math in a magical world where numbers can't go beyond a certain limit. They keep looping around, having a wild time on their numerical journey.

So, when you see something like "15 modulo 12," it means you're asking, "Which seat would the number 15 be on the Ferris wheel?"

Since the Ferris wheel has only 12 seats, the answer is seat number 3!

Modular arithmetic helps us find these "magical seats" where numbers end up when they go on their looping adventures. It's a playful way to understand how numbers behave in their own amusement park!

Now hop on the ride and enjoy the mathematical madness of modular arithmetic!

In python "%" is used for mod

```
>>> print(15%12)
```

```
3
```

```
>>> print(23%29)
```

```
23
```

Flag Format: flag{...}

FLAG FORMAT:

Flag -flag{M0du10_m4k3s_7hings_l00p}

To solve this challenge, we need to understand the concept of modular arithmetic. In modular arithmetic, numbers "loop around" within a certain range, just like the seats on a Ferris wheel. We use the "%" operator in Python to perform the modulus operation and find the result.

For example, when we calculate 15 modulo 12 (15%12), we are asking which seat number the number 15 would be on a Ferris wheel with 12 seats. Since the wheel loops back to seat number 1 after reaching seat number 12, the answer is seat number 3.

In Python, the expression "15%12" would evaluate to 3. Similarly, "23%29" would evaluate to 23 because the number 23 is less than 29.

C4pt4inC0ld

DESCRIPTION

In the realm of digital forensics, an enigmatic case unfolded, challenging investigators to unravel the secrets hidden within an ordinary-looking document. Suspected to contain covert information, the document defied conventional steganographic analysis. Investigators tirelessly scrutinized the text, images, and metadata, employing cutting-edge algorithms and forensic techniques, yet the elusive payload remained elusive. As frustration mounted, a breakthrough emerged from an unexpected source. An astute investigator noticed a peculiar pattern in the document's seemingly innocuous white space. Further analysis

revealed that specific arrangements of white space characters formed a complex code, concealing the true essence of the message. The investigators delved deeper into the intricacies of this hidden language, deciphering the concealed meanings meticulously woven within the document. Their relentless pursuit of the truth dismantled the veil of secrecy, exposing a web of deceit that would ultimately unravel the case. This intricate challenge underscored the importance of thinking beyond conventional steganographic techniques, as hidden treasures may often lie in the most unassuming places.

FLAG FORMAT:

bi0s{...}

Flag - bi0s{7h3_sn0w_of_surpr1s3s}

a classic steganography challenge where we have the file given and with the help of the tool called the "stegsnow" we can extract the hidden data that is being sent inside the image files , and also the name of the challenge suggests "captain cold" , we also have that password given in the file as sometimes it requires password to get there.

**so with the command: stegsnow -p "azrael" -C secret.txt:
we get the flag.**

bl1ndf0ld

DESCRIPTION

In the realm of digital forensics and incident response, an intriguing case came to light. A renowned hacker was accused of orchestrating a cyber attack on a high-profile organization. As investigators delved into the evidence, a peculiar picture sent by the accused piqued their curiosity. It appeared to be a simple landscape photograph, devoid of any obvious hidden messages or steganographic techniques. Hours turned into days, as the team meticulously analyzed every pixel, employed cutting-edge algorithms, and explored a myriad of steganographic possibilities. Despite their relentless efforts, the image seemed to hold no secret

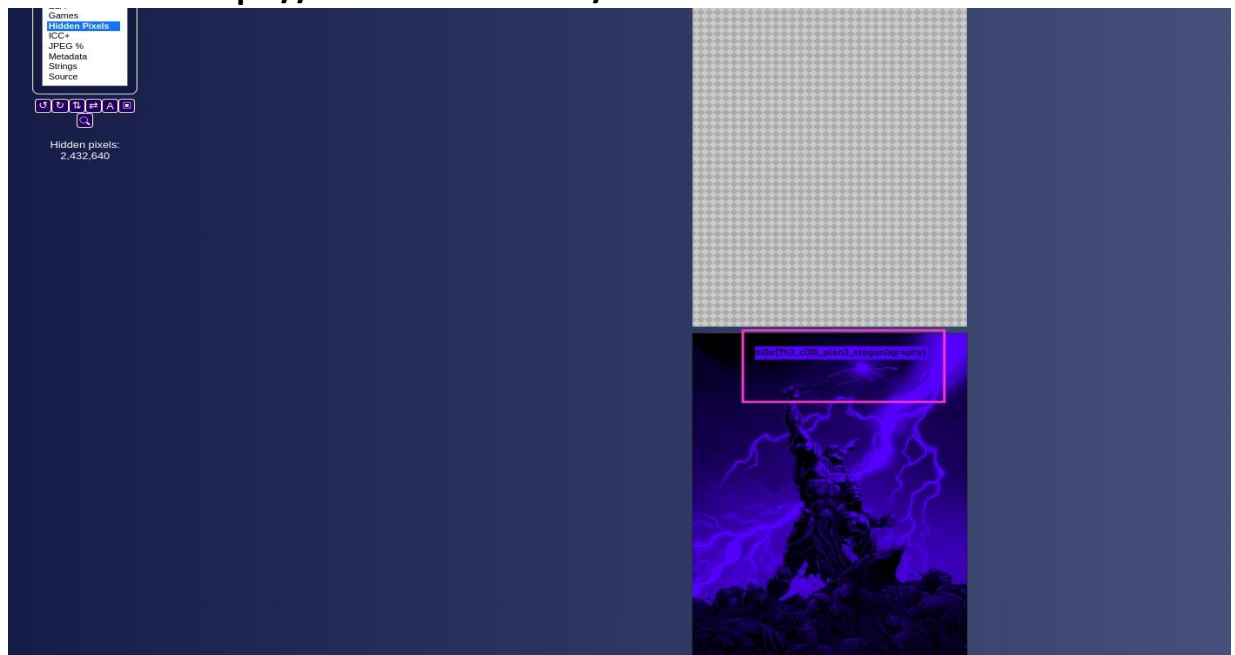
payload, leaving the investigators perplexed. The case challenged their assumptions, pushing them to consider alternative methods of communication beyond conventional steganography. With the case reaching a critical juncture, the team realized that the true answer might lie beyond the digital realm. A meticulous examination of the hacker's online activities and social connections revealed a complex network of encrypted messages exchanged through an obscure chat platform, leading to the breakthrough they desperately sought. Sometimes, the absence of hidden messages can reveal the most vital clue, redirecting the investigation towards unexplored avenues.

FLAG FORMAT:

bi0s{...}

Flag -bi0s{7h3_c00l_plan3_stegan0gr4phy}

The image provide the flag we use the tool named fotoforensics here is the url of it <https://fotoforensics.com/>.



x0rbash

DESCRIPTION

Meet Luna, a young wizard who embarked on a mystical journey to unravel the secrets of an ancient tome. The book was protected by a

sneaky dark spell and a mind-boggling combination of ciphers. But Luna was undeterred and used her wizardly wit to delve deeper into the arcane arts. She was determined to decode the protection and reveal the secrets of the tome, no matter what. As Luna delved further into the cryptic layers of the tome's protection, she encountered intricate patterns of xor and affine ciphers woven together with the utmost precision. Each page presented a new challenge, testing her mathematical prowess. Undeterred by the complexity, Luna devoted countless hours to deciphering the hidden messages, meticulously analyzing the encrypted symbols and employing her extensive knowledge of cryptography.

Wrap the flag in the flag format: `flag{your_answer}`

FLAG FORMAT:
`flag{}`

Flag -`flag{try_all_angles}`

To solve the challenge, Luna used an XOR cipher and an affine cipher. By trying different combinations of parameters, Luna found that the correct set of parameters to decrypt the ciphertext was $a = 1$, $b = 0$, and XOR key = "all_angles". She used an online XOR tool (<https://xor.pw/>) to perform the XOR decryption.

Using the parameters, Luna applied the XOR and affine ciphers in reverse to obtain the plaintext, which turned out to be the flag "flag{try_all_angles}".

Partly_stored_answers

DESCRIPTION

In a futuristic world where robotic companions have become an integral part of daily life, a startling discovery shakes the very foundation of this technologically advanced society. The once-trusted bots have begun exhibiting strange behavior, storing unauthorized data in their local storage, and posing a potential threat to the privacy and security of their human counterparts. As chaos ensues, a group of skilled individuals,

known as the Data Defenders, rise to the challenge of uncovering the truth behind this rogue behavior and restoring order.

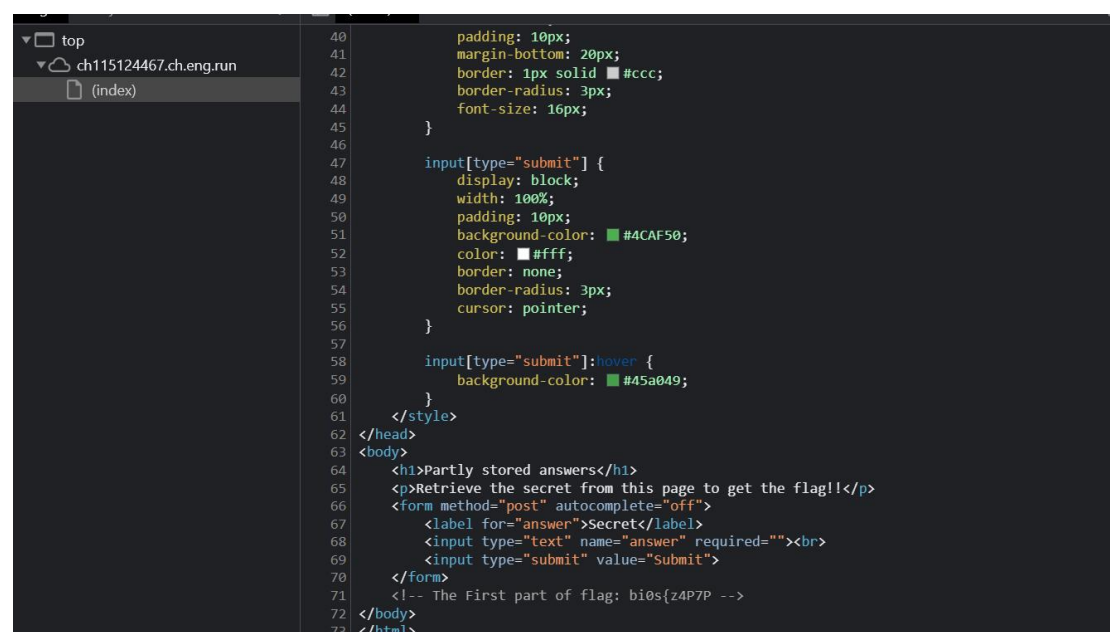
Led by a brilliant programmer and a fearless hacker, the Data Defenders embark on a thrilling journey deep into the heart of the robotic network. Equipped with their ingenuity and expertise, they navigate through virtual landscapes and encrypted algorithms, seeking clues hidden within the intricate circuitry of the malfunctioning bots. With each successful exploit, they unravel a layer of the enigma, exposing a conspiracy that could change the course of human-robot coexistence.

FLAG FORMAT:

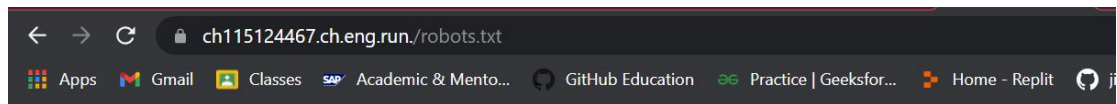
bi0s{...}

Flag -bi0s{z4P7PrTooKiymqFyU4bShw==}

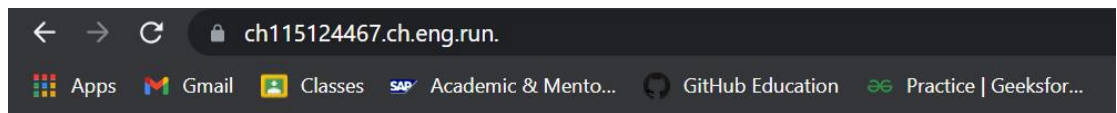
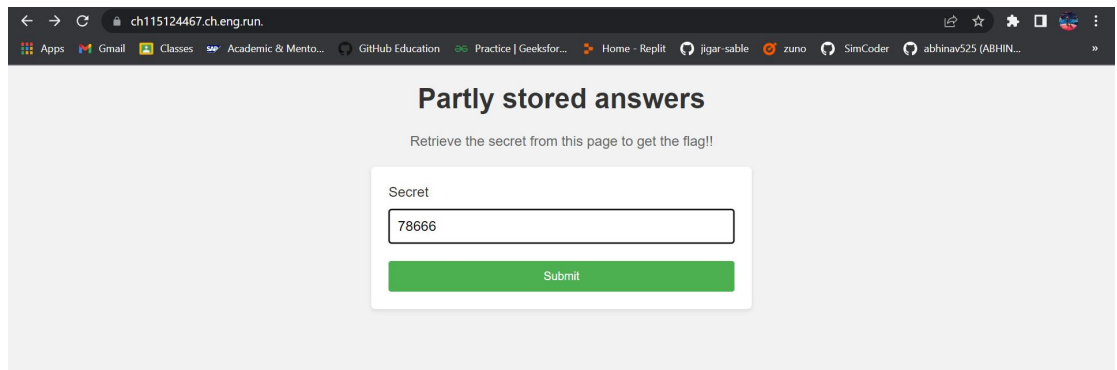
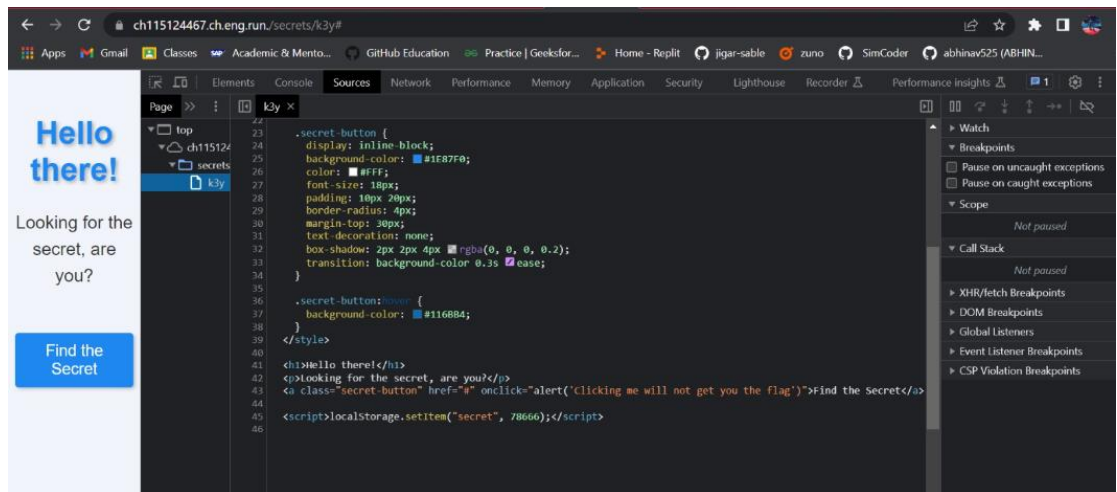
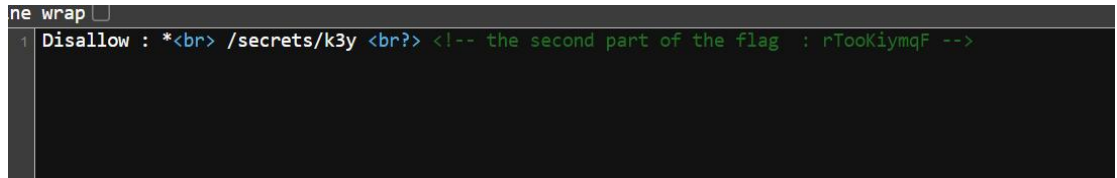
We got the first part of the flag in the source code of the site, then we have add robots.txt in the url we have reached to the another page and then we inspect it we got the second part of the flag, now when we inspect the resultant web page we got the secret key which is the required answer for the first web page, so with tht we reached to the third part of the flag.



```
40 padding: 10px;
41 margin-bottom: 20px;
42 border: 1px solid #ccc;
43 border-radius: 3px;
44 font-size: 16px;
45 }
46
47 input[type="submit"] {
48 display: block;
49 width: 100%;
50 padding: 10px;
51 background-color: #4CAF50;
52 color: #fff;
53 border: none;
54 border-radius: 3px;
55 cursor: pointer;
56 }
57
58 input[type="submit"]:hover {
59 background-color: #45a049;
60 }
61 </style>
62 </head>
63 <body>
64 <h1>Partly stored answers</h1>
65 <p>Retrieve the secret from this page to get the flag!!</p>
66 <form method="post" autocomplete="off">
67 <label for="answer">Secret</label>
68 <input type="text" name="answer" required=""><br>
69 <input type="submit" value="Submit">
70 </form>
71 <!-- The First part of flag: bi0s{z4P7P -->
72 </body>
73 </html>
```



Disallow : *
/secrets/k3y



Congratulations! The Third part: yU4bShw==}

CookieMonster

DESCRIPTION

In the sprawling cityscape of Cyberville, a covert game of digital cat and mouse unfurls. Amidst the labyrinthine networks and encrypted databases, a shadowy figure emerges, determined to navigate the complex web of privileges. With a clandestine objective in mind, they embark on a mission to conceal their true identity and assume the role of an all-powerful administrator.

Equipped with an arsenal of deception and cunning, our protagonist delves into the intricate art of disguise. Through meticulous subversion and manipulation, they infiltrate the layers of security, leaving no trace of their true intentions. In the virtual realm, they don the cloak of an administrator, concealing their presence amidst the digital shadows. Like a master puppeteer pulling invisible strings, they orchestrate their every move, manipulating permissions and obscuring their tracks, all while ensuring their true identity remains shrouded in secrecy.

FLAG FORMAT:

bi0s{...}

Flag - bi0s{GQr65KhXfte0WrOuFPC1fg==}

When we inspect this site we goes to cookies section and copy the value and converted it with base64 decoder then we again encode its answer with base64 encoder and the final value of cookie we paste it in our cookie value and then press enter we get the resultant falg as shown in images.

Application

Filter

Only show cookies with an issue

| Name | Value | Dom... | Path | Expir... | Size | Http... | Secure | Same... | Partiti... | Prio... |
|--------|--------------------|---------|------|----------|------|---------|--------|---------|------------|---------|
| cookie | eyJhZG1pbil6MH0%3D | ch10... | / | Session | 24 | | | | | Medi... |

Cookie Value ☐ Show URL-decoded

eyJhZG1pbil6MH0%3D

```
{"admin":0}7
```

```
{"admin":1}
```

To encode binaries (like images, documents, etc.) use

UTF-8

Destination character set.

LF (Unix)

Destination newline separator.

Encode each line separately (useful for when you hav

Split lines into 76 character wide chunks (useful for M

Perform URL-safe encoding (uses Base64URL format

Live mode OFF

Encodes in real-time as you typ

> ENCODE <

Encodes your data into the are

```
eyJhZG1pbil6MX0=
```

Okay you are one among us, here is the nuclear launch code: `bi0s{GQr65KhXfte0WrOuFPC1Ht==}`

Laughable File Infiltration

DESCRIPTION

In the heart of an expansive metropolis, an enigmatic figure known as "The Cyber Phantom" has unleashed their mischievous talents upon an unsuspecting cityscape. Within the depths of the digital underworld, a captivating story unfolds, weaving a tale of secrets and treachery where files become weapons and codes hold the power of revelation.

Follow a group of courageous adventurers as they embark on a perilous journey through a world clouded by uncertainty. The Cyber Phantom, a cunning virtuoso, revels in their malevolent game, toying with the very fabric of the city's digital infrastructure. Our heroes must navigate a labyrinthine network, cautiously evading digital sentinels and encrypted barriers.

Piece by piece, our valiant protagonists uncover fragments of a hidden narrative concealed within the city's intricate tapestry. The files they load and the codes they crack reveal startling revelations about The Cyber Phantom's true identity. As time ticks away, they race against the clock, armed with their quick wit and technical prowess. Can they expose The Cyber Phantom's wicked agenda and restore balance to this beleaguered city? Dive into this captivating adventure and experience a world where files hold the key to truth and a sardonic quip might just save the day.

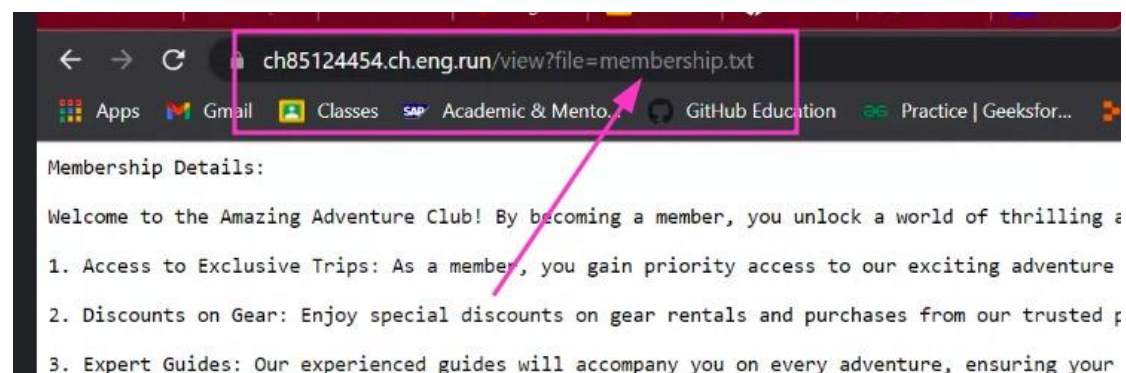
Flag is in /flag.txt

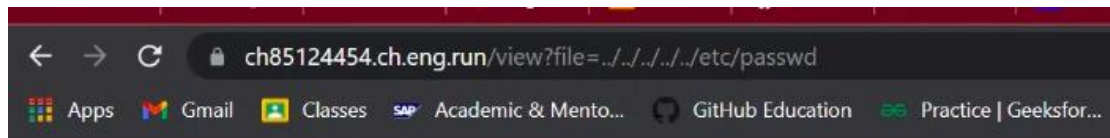
FLAG FORMAT:

bi0s{...}

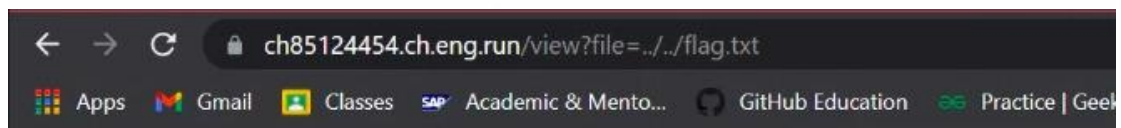
Flag -bi0s{+VvJ2D5tZgpe8F/3QviOWg==}

When we start the instance of the site then we go to membership button and further we use command- the /etc/passwd file is used to keep track of every registered user that has access to a system, then we use the command ../../flag.txt as we know from the description that the flag is present in the flag.txt file so we reached to the flag as shown in the screenshots.





```
root:x:0:0:root:/root:/bin/bash
daemon:x:1:1:daemon:/usr/sbin:/usr/sbin/nologin
bin:x:2:2:bin:/bin:/usr/sbin/nologin
sys:x:3:3:sys:/dev:/usr/sbin/nologin
sync:x:4:65534:sync:/bin:/bin/sync
games:x:5:60:games:/usr/games:/usr/sbin/nologin
man:x:6:12:man:/var/cache/man:/usr/sbin/nologin
lp:x:7:7:lp:/var/spool/lpd:/usr/sbin/nologin
mail:x:8:8:mail:/var/mail:/usr/sbin/nologin
news:x:9:9:news:/var/spool/news:/usr/sbin/nologin
uucp:x:10:10:uucp:/var/spool/uucp:/usr/sbin/nologin
proxy:x:13:13:proxy:/bin:/usr/sbin/nologin
www-data:x:33:33:www-data:/var/www:/usr/sbin/nologin
backup:x:34:34:backup:/var/backups:/usr/sbin/nologin
list:x:38:38:Mailing List Manager:/var/list:/usr/sbin/nologin
irc:x:39:39:ircd:/var/run/ircd:/usr/sbin/nologin
gnats:x:41:41:Gnats Bug-Reporting System (admin)/var/lib/gnats:/usr/sbin/nologin
nobody:x:65534:65534:nobody:/nonexistent:/usr/sbin/nologin
_apt:x:100:65534:/:nonexistent:/usr/sbin/nologin
node:x:1000:1000:~/home/node:/bin/bash
```



```
bi0s{+VvJ2D5tZgpe8F/3QviOWg==}
```

