MMU X NEXAGATE 2024 CTF WRITEUP

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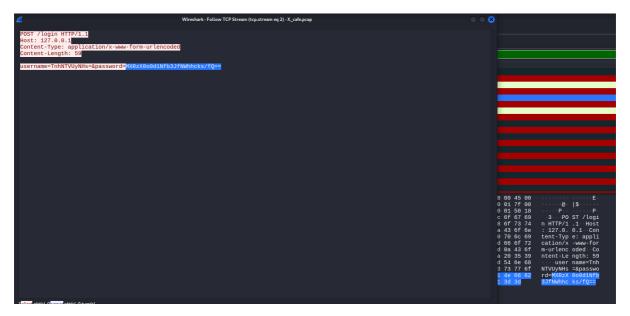
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Forensic

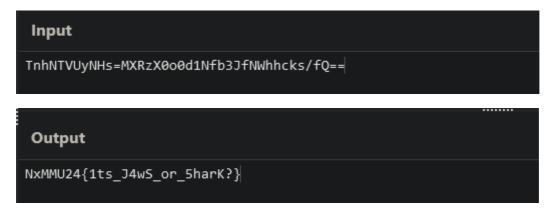
<u>miniJAWS</u>



Open .pcap file using wireshark and lookup for login HTTP. After that follow the TCP streamline and will get an encoded password in a base64 format.



Decode using CyberChef to get the flag.



Cryptography

Reaaranged



Cat the txt file and encoded messages given bellow. I notice that there is number 1-5 inside the messages.

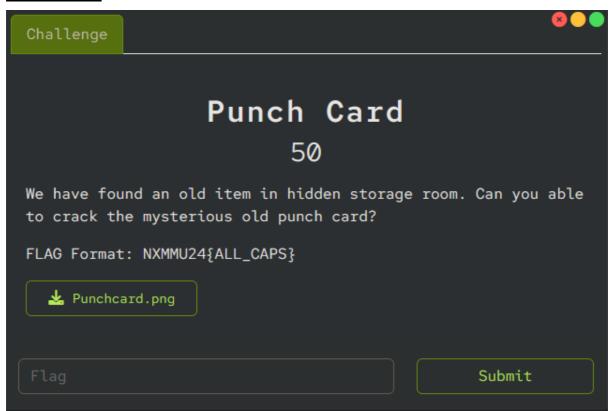
tcpw ajmqc sio uly wfimy It can't be said I'm an early bird It's ten o'clock before I say a word Baby, I can never tell How do you sleep so well? You keep telling me to live right To go to bed before the daylight But then you wake up for the sunrise You know you don't gotta pretend Baby, now and then 4.sw33t_ Don't you just wanna wake up Dark as a lake Smelling like a bonfire Lost in a haze? If you're drunk on life, babe I think it's great 1.NxMMU24{ But while in this world I think I'll take my whiskey neat My coffee black and my bed at three You're too sweet for me You're too sweet for me I take my whiskey neat My coffee black and my bed at three You're too sweet for me You're too sweet for me I aim low I aim true, and the ground's where I go I work late where I'm free from the phone And the job gets done 5.4_m3} But you worry some, I know But who wants to live forever, babe? You treat your mouth as if it's Heaven's gar The rest of you like you're the TSA I wish I could go along Babe, don't get me wrong You know you're bright as the morning As soft as the rain Pretty as a vine As sweet as a grape You can sit in a barrel Maybe I'll wait Until that day I'd rather take my whiskey neat My coffee black and my bed at three You're too sweet for me You're too sweet for me I take my whiskey neat 3.t00_ My coffee black and my bed at three You're too sweet for me You're too sweet for me I take my whiskey neat 2.y0ur_ My coffee black and my bed at three You're too sweet for me You're too sweet for me

Use the cipher identifier to identify which cipher it is and it uses ROT13 for the messages. So, I gathered the 5 messages together and here goes the flag.

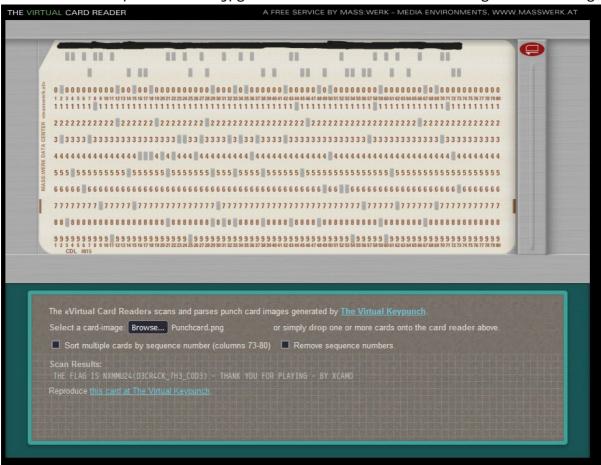


Flag: NxMMU24{y0ur_t00_sw33t_4_m3}

Punch Card



Open the jpg file and we'll see a punch card picture is given. So, with the information given I try to search up for Punch Card Decoder and my guessing is correct. Upload the jpg file and decode it to get the flag.



Flag: NXMMU24(D3CR4CK_7H3_C0D3)

Spam message



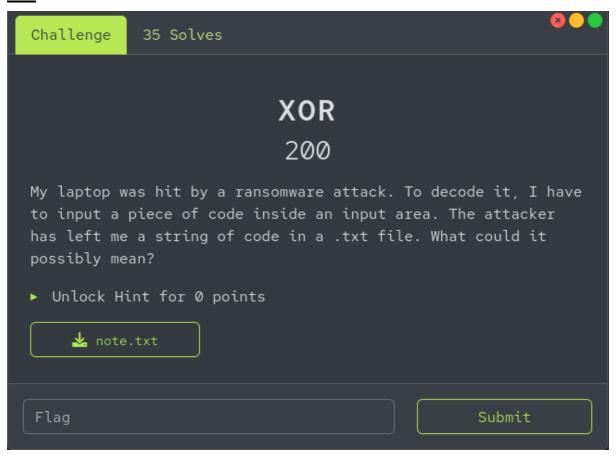
Cat spam.txt and copy the messages.

```
1 Dear Friend , This letter was specially selected to
 2 be sent to you . This is a one time mailing there is
 3 no need to request removal if you won't want any more
 4! This mail is being sent in compliance with Senate
5 bill 2716 , Title 4 ; Section 304 ! This is not multi-level 6 marketing . Why work for somebody else when you can 7 become rich within 83 weeks ! Have you ever noticed
 8 the baby boomers are more demanding than their parents
9 and people will do almost anything to avoid mailing
10 their bills . Well, now is your chance to capitalize
11 on this . WE will help YOU deliver goods right to the 12 customer's doorstep plus deliver goods right to the
13 customer's doorstep! You can begin at absolutely no
14 cost to you . But don't believe us . Mrs Jones who
15 resides in South Dakota tried us and says "Now I'm 16 rich, Rich, RICH" . We assure you that we operate within
17 all applicable laws! We BESEECH you - act now . Sign
18 up a friend and your friend will be rich too . Thanks
19 . Dear Cybercitizen ; Thank-you for your interest in 20 our publication ! This is a one time mailing there
21 is no need to request removal if you won't want any
22 more ! This mail is being sent in compliance with Senate
23 bill 2416 ; Title 3 ; Section 304 . THIS IS NOT MULTI-LEVEL
24 MARKETING . Why work for somebody else when you can
25 become rich inside 68 weeks . Have you ever noticed
26 people love convenience and nobody is getting any younger
27! Well, now is your chance to capitalize on this!
28 We will help you SELL MORE and use credit cards on
29 your website! The best thing about our system is that
30 it is absolutely risk free for you . But don't believe
31 us . Ms Jones of Hawaii tried us and says "My only 32 problem now is where to park all my cars" . We are
33 licensed to operate in all states ! Because the Internet
34 operates on "Internet time" you must act now . Sign
35 up a friend and you get half off ! Thanks . |
```

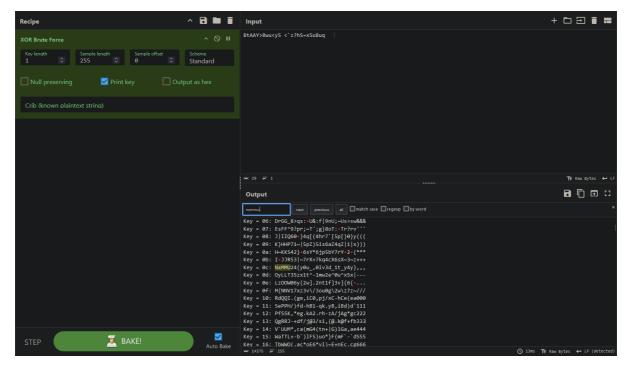
Use spammimic to decode it.



XOR



The hint already given at the title where we need to use XOR to decode the messages. Copy the messages and decode it using XOR brute force and lookup for the keyword of the flag - NxMMU.



Flag: NxMMU24{y0u_,01v3d_lt_y4y}

Gibberish



With the hint given try to search for malbolge and I found a malbolge decoder. Copy the messages and decode it.



Flag: NxMMU{H4RD357_0N3_R19H7?!}

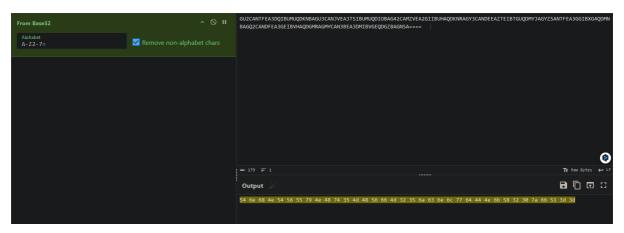
3 encryption



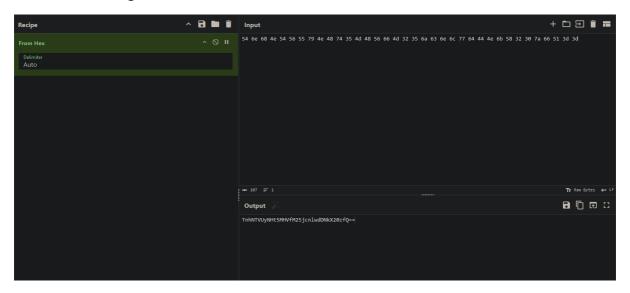
Cat key.txt and copy the text given.



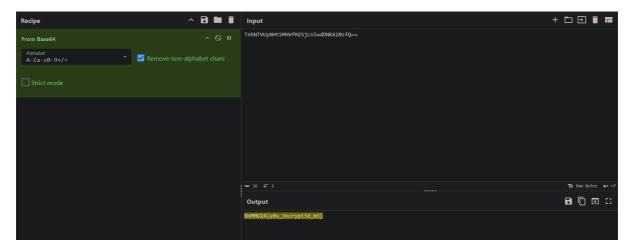
Use cyberchef to decode the text using base32 and we'll get a text in hex.



Decode it using hex.



Lastly, use the base64 to decode the previous output that we got from hexadecimal.



Flag: NxMMU24{y0u_3ncrypt3d_m3}

Reverse engineering

Drunk Vending Machine



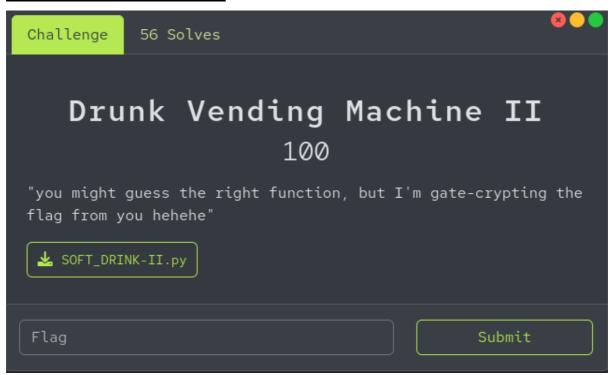
Look into the python source code and modify it.

```
lef choose_drink():
    drinkID = [
        "4e78", "4d4d", "5532", "347b",
"3174", "735f", "3769", "6d33",
"5f32", "5f63", "7537", "5f35",
"7547", "3472", "7d"
    drink_ID = ''.join(drinkID)
    choice = bytes.fromhex(drink_ID).decode('utf-8')
    return choice
def step1():
    special = choose_drink()
    master_drink = xor_encrypt(special, key)
     return master_drink
def step2():
    encrypted_flag = step1()
    encoded = base64.b64encode(encrypted_flag.encode()).decode()
    return encoded
encoded_flag = step2()
def decode_and_decrypt(encoded_flag, key):
    decoded_flag = base64.b64decode(encoded_flag).decode()
    decrypted_flag = xor_encrypt(decoded_flag, key)
    return decrypted_flag
key = 42
flag = decode_and_decrypt(encoded_flag, key)
orint("Flag:", flag)
```

Run SOFT_DRINK.py and get the flag.

```
(k3shi⊕ kali)-[~/Downloads/ctf/reverse]
$ python3 SOFT_DRINK.py
Flag: NxMMU24{1ts_7im3_2_cu7_5uG4r}
```

Drunk Vending Machine 2



```
(k3shi⊗ kali)-[~/Downloads/ctf/reverse/drunk2]

$ python3 soft_drink_2.py

Welcome to the Vending Machine! Please choose a drink

['Coke', 'Pepsi', 'Sprite', 'Fanta', 'Mountain Dew', 'Dr Pepper', '7 Up', 'Vida', 'F6N', 'Milo', 'Nesca fe', 'Wonda', 'Twister', 'Redbull']

Enter your choice (or type 'exit' to quit): test

Dispensing drink...

Here is your test

Thank you for using the Vending Machine. Goodbye!

Encoded: fEp/f2cABklbbVl8AkVtWxkHbVwCBW0BUwdLbQpTUAE=

Decoded: NxMMU24{i_kN0w_i+5_n07_3a5y_8ab3}

fEp/f2cABklbbVl8AkVtWxkHbVwCBW0BUwdLbQpTUAE=
```

Steganography

In the Beginning



Decode the passphrase given with cyberchef to decode the audio.wav

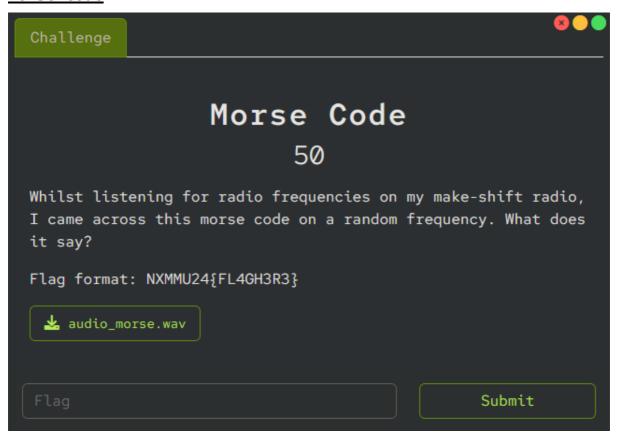


Search for audio decoder and upload the audio.wav along with the passphrase.

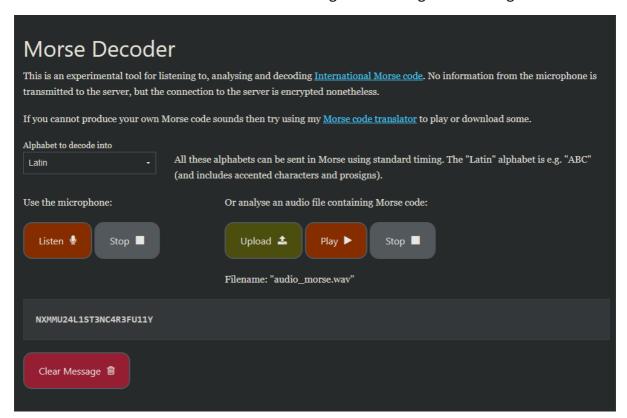


NxMMU24{fl4w3d_m4ng035}

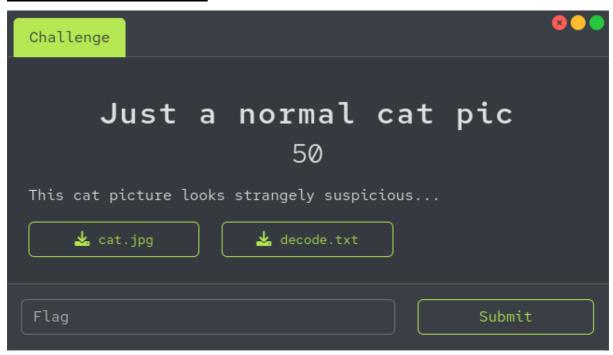
Morse Code



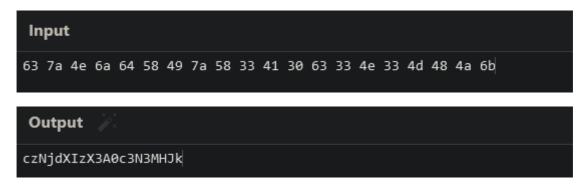
Use Morse Decoder to decode audio messages and we got the flag.



Just a normal cat pic



As the decode.txt is given we knew that we must get the passphrase to decode the cat.jpg. Use CyberChef to decode the hexadecimal messages.

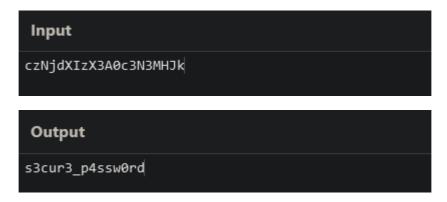


I'm lazy with using command so I just simply use the previous online Steganographic Decoder. At the first, I thought it was the passphrase and try to decode it but then it seems like the passphrase is incorrect.

Steganographic Decoder
This form decodes the payload that was hidden in a JPEG image or a WAV or AU audio file using the encoder form. When you submit, you will be asked to save the resulting payload file to disk. This form may also help you guess at what the payload is and its file type
Select a JPEG, WWV, or AU file to decode: Browse cot.jpg
Password (may be blank) czhlyddxcsAnc-RIOMHUK
O View raw output as MIME-type Text[plain
○ Guess the psyload ○ Permyt to save your must guess the file type yourself)
Submit Query
To use this form, you must first encode a file.
These pages use the stephale program to perform stepanography, and the files generated are fully computable with stephide.
Please send comments or questions to <u>Alan Elasan</u>

 $\hbox{\it Error. This file may not contain steganographic data, or you may have specified an incorrect password.}$

Decode the previous passphrase again.



Try again and we get the flag.



NxMMU24{C4T5_Y4444Y}

Is it cookie?



Use exiftool to check the metadata and the file type is incorrect.

```
-(k3shi®kali)-[~/Downloads/ctf/stega/cookie]
└$ exiftool cookie.txt
ExifTool Version Number
                                   : 12.76
File Name
                                   : cookie.txt
Directory
                                  : 231 kB
File Size
File Modification Date/Time
File Access Date/Time
File Inode Change Date/Time
                                  : 2024:06:11 16:21:16+08:00
                                  : 2024:06:15 12:40:02+08:00
: 2024:06:15 12:39:58+08:00
File Permissions
                                   : -rw-rw-r--
File Type
                                   : JPEG
                                  : jpg
: image/jpeg
File Type Extension
MIME Type
JFIF Version
                                  : 1.01
                                  : None
Resolution Unit
X Resolution
                                   : 1
: 1708
Y Resolution
Image Width
                                   : 2100
Image Height
                                  : Baseline DCT, Huffman coding
Encoding Process
Bits Per Sample
                                  : 8
Color Components
                                  : 3
                                 : YCbCr4:2:0 (2 2)
Y Cb Cr Sub Sampling
Image Size
                                   : 1708×2100
Megapixels
                                   : 3.6
```

Change .txt into .jpg extension.

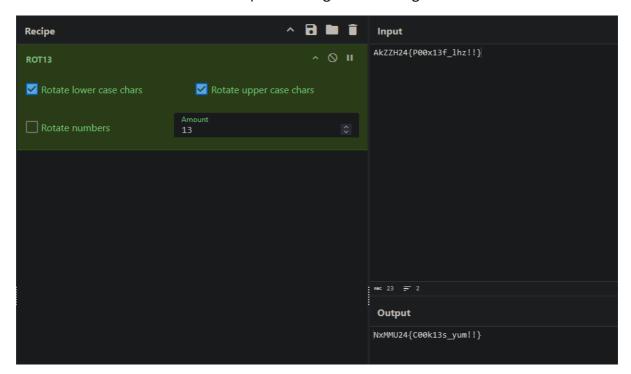
```
(k3shi@kali)-[~/Downloads/ctf/stega/cookie]
$ file cookie.txt
cookie.txt: JPEG image data, JFIF standard 1.01, aspect ratio, density 1×1, segment length 16, baseline,
precision 8, 1708×2100, components 3

(k3shi@kali)-[~/Downloads/ctf/stega/cookie]
$ mv cookie.txt cookie.jpg
```

Use stegcraker to brute force and extract the data.

```
-(k3shi®kali)-[~/Downloads/ctf/stega/cookie]
 stegcracker $
(k3shi@kali)-[~/Downloads/ctf/stega/cookie]
$ stegcracker cookie.jpg /usr/share/wordlists/rockyou.txt
StegCracker 2.1.0 - (https://github.com/Paradoxis/StegCracker)
Copyright (c) 2024 - Luke Paris (Paradoxis)
StegCracker has been retired following the release of StegSeek, which
will blast through the rockyou.txt wordlist within 1.9 second as opposed
to StegCracker which takes ~5 hours.
StegSeek can be found at: https://github.com/RickdeJager/stegseek
Counting lines in wordlist..
Attacking file 'cookie.jpg' with wordlist '/usr/share/wordlists/rockyou.txt'..
Successfully cracked file with password: iloveyou
Tried 197 passwords
Your file has been written to: cookie.jpg.out
iloveyou
  —(k3shi⊕ kali)-[~/Downloads/ctf/stega/cookie]
cookie.jpg cookie.jpg.out
   -(k3shi®kali)-[~/Downloads/ctf/stega/cookie]
 └-$ cat cookie.jpg.out
AkZZH24{P00×13f_lhz!!}
```

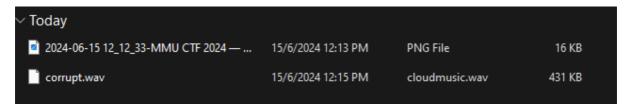
Decode the text with ROT13 cipher and get the flag.



Corrupted Audio



The corrupt.wav cannot be opened.



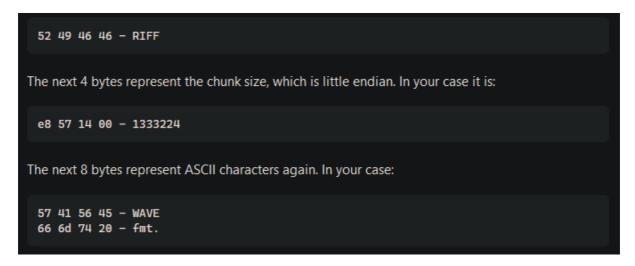


Use hexeditor and we can see that the header file is corrupted.

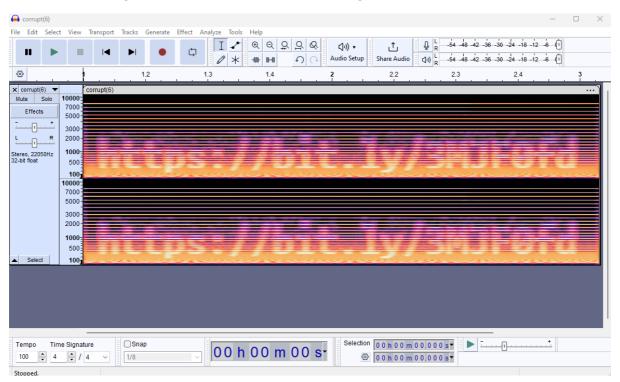
```
-Untitled- × corrupt.wav ×
0000000
          60 48 B7 A6 20 B9 06 00 50 41 47 45 66 6D 74 20
                                                             `H<sub>∏</sub>ª ╣..PAGEfmt
00000010
          14 00 00 00 01 00 02 00 22 56 00 00 88 58 01 00
                                                             ....."V..êX..
00000020
          04 00 10 00 00 00 00 00 64 61 74 61 F8 B8 06 00
                                                             ....data°╕..
00000030
          00 00 00 00 FA FF FA FF
                                   FF FF 00 00 E5 FF E4 FF
                                                                 00000040
          CE FF C9 FF C8 FF BF FF D0 FF C6 FF E9 FF E0 FF
00000050
          E1 FF D4 FF D5 FF C4 FF 9F FF 88 FF 60 FF 43 FF
          8B FF 74 FF 82 FF 6A FF
                                   68 FF 4E FF 8D FF 7B FF
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00000060
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000000B0
          E1 FD A0 FD 0A FF E6 FE A5 FE 67 FE A8 FE 64 FE
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00000C0
          8A FF 69 FF B6 FE 87 FE F0 FE C8 FE 6D FF 54 FF
00000D0
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          20 FE E5 FD 3D FF 23 FF 00 01 17 01 24 00 1F 00
000000E0
000000F0
          FC FF F6 FF 9F 00 B2 00 6E 00 7E 00 C5 FF CB FF
          71 FF 87 FF 04 00 47 00 7E FE A4 FE 8E FC 80 FC
00000100
```

Check the file format which using RIFF and search up for the header.

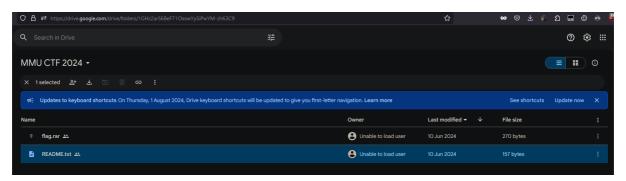
```
(k3shi⊕ kali)-[~/Downloads/ctf/stega/corrupted_aud]
$\file corrupt.wav
corrupt.wav: RIFF (little-endian) data, WAVE audio, Microsoft PCM, 16 bit, stereo 22050 Hz
```



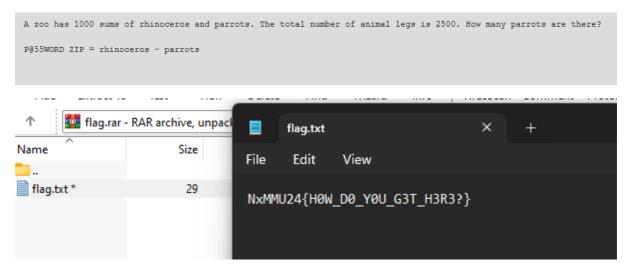
After the file can be opened, use Audacity and import the file and show it in the spectrogram form and there's a link given.



Search the link and download the file.



Unzip the flag.rar with the passphrase given which is -500. I tried to insert the passphrase in previous, but it shows incorrect.



Web

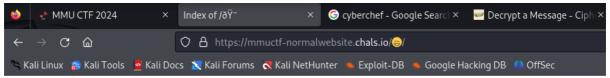
Just a normal website



I tried to use gobuster to lookup for any possible file, but it seems nothing.

```
-(k3shi®kali)-[~/Downloads/ctf/web]
 🗕 sagbuster dir –u https://mmuctf-normalwebsite.chals.io/ -w /usr/share/dirb/wordlists/common.txt-
by OJ Reeves (@TheColonial) & Christian Mehlmauer (@firefart)
[+] Url:
                                 https://mmuctf-normalwebsite.chals.io/
[+] Method:
                                  GET
[+] Threads:
                                  10
                                 /usr/share/dirb/wordlists/common.txt
[+] Wordlist:
    Negative Status codes:
                                 404
 [+] User Agent:
                                  gobuster/3.6
[+] Timeout:
                                  10s
Starting gobuster in directory enumeration mode
                         (Status: 403) [Size: 199]
(Status: 403) [Size: 199]
(Status: 403) [Size: 199]
(Status: 200) [Size: 490]
/.hta
/.htaccess
/.htpasswd
/index.html
Progress: 4614 / 4615 (99.98%)
Finished
```

With the hint given, I try to insert the emoji behind the url and it navigate to the page where showing flag.html.



Index of /ðŸ~

- Parent Directory
- <u>flag.html</u>

Click on flag.html and we get the flag.

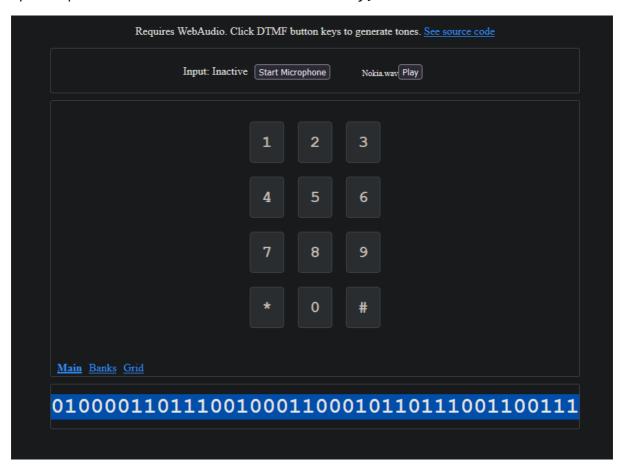
NxMMU24{c0ngr4t5_it_w0rks}

Misc

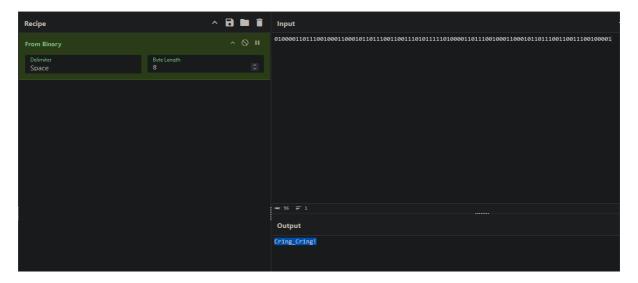
Old Nokia



I heard a phone dialling sound when I opened the file. So, I try to look up for phone dial audio detector and luckily, I found one.



Copy the binary number and decode using cyberchef and we got the flag.



Flag: NxMMU24{Cr1ng_Cr1ng!}

Nice to meet you!



I just use an aircrack-ng when I saw the cap file.

```
(k3shi® kali)-[/usr/share/wordlists]
$ aircrack-ng ~/Downloads/ctf/misc/nicetomeetyou/wpa.cap -w /usr/share/wordlists/rockyou.txt
Reading packets, please wait...
Opening /home/k3shi/Downloads/ctf/misc/nicetomeetyou/wpa.cap
Read 13 packets.

# BSSID ESSID Encryption
1 00:0D:93:EB:B0:8C test WPA (1 handshake)
```

And we got the flag.

```
Aircrack-ng 1.7

[00:01:21] 153164/14344392 keys tested (1925.57 k/s)

Time left: 2 hours, 2 minutes, 49 seconds

KEY FOUND! [ biscotte ]

Master Key

: CD D7 9A 5A CF B0 70 C7 E9 D1 02 3B 87 02 85 D6
39 E4 30 B3 2F 31 AA 37 AC 82 5A 55 B5 55 24 EE

Transient Key

: 33 55 0B FC 4F 24 84 F4 9A 38 B3 D0 89 83 D2 49
73 F9 DE 89 67 A6 6D 2B 8E 46 2C 07 47 6A CE 08
AD FB 65 D6 13 A9 9F 2C 65 E4 A6 08 F2 5A 67 97
D9 6F 76 5B 8C D3 DF 13 2F BC DA 6A 6E D9 62 CD

EAPOL HMAC

: 28 A8 C8 95 B7 17 E5 72 27 B6 A7 EE E3 E5 34 45
```

Flag: NxMMU{biscotte}

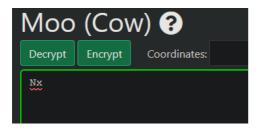
Cow breeder



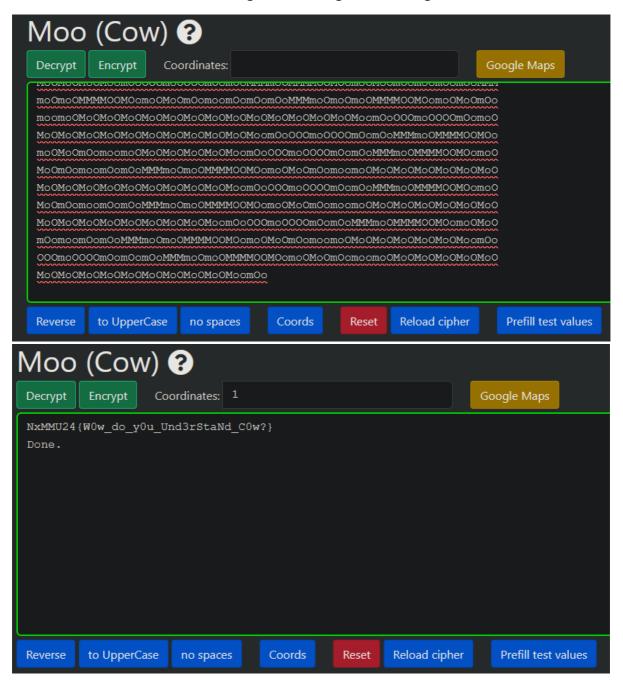
Unzip and cat the file showing a lot of moo moo.



Use a moo moo decoder to to decode the 1.txt can I saw the flag header starting with Nx and I know that we need to combine all the 5 file.



Combine all the moo moo messages and we get the flag.



Flag: NxMMU24{W0w_do_y0u_Und3rStaNd_C0w?}