

Write-up and solution for tartarsausage

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About the Challenge

Description

Find the sausage and be a king of "tar".

Flag format: CTF{sha256}

Learning Objectives

- Practice the interaction between the student and a vulnerable function in order to fingerprint and exploit one of the most common web-based vulnerabilities in a distributed infrastructure.
- Enabling the out of the box thinking by attempting to leverage access to the web application.
- Demonstrate the ability to exploit the vulnerability to gain access to a web server.
- Demonstrate the ability to identify and fingerprint common web-based frameworks.

Skills Required

OWASP WSTG

- WSTG-INFO-02:Fingerprint Web Server
- WSTG-INFO-04: Enumerate Applications on Webserver
- WSTG-INFO-06: Identify application entry points
- WSTG-INFO-10: Map Application Architecture

CWE

N/A



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Walkthrough and solution

Hints

• Hint 1: Tar is a tool in linux for extracting files from the rar archive.

Detailed solution

Inspect source code to see some endpoint inside the web application.

Now we have a little hint here about tar function.





The Web application escapeshellcmd() which is used to escape any characters in a string that might be used to trick a shell command into executing arbitrary commands. This function should be used to make sure that any data coming from user input is escaped before this data is passed to the exec() or system() functions, or to the backtick operator.

Final exploit is to make an escape shell using tar arguments. More information you can find here : https://qtfobins.github.io/qtfobins/tar/

cf /dev/null testfile --checkpoint=1 --checkpoint-action=exec="cat
enhjenhzZGN3YWRzYWRhc2Rhc3NhY2FzY2FzY2FzY2FjYWNzZHNhY2FzY2Fzc2FjY2Fz/flag"



"If you don't see my flag. Try harder :D!!" $ctf\{e15918e70b7c3395bcb357b4ca5e95f868ebc462d33371a5f44a25c35f8faa45\}$

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