



Forensics and Codes

CTF: CaptureTheFlag

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CaptureTheFlag

A beginner level CTF

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Difficulty:

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Tools you need:

- stegosuite
 - lmg_cat
 - strings
-
- For some part of the challenge is choosing the right tool


How to play:

Download the image and read the hint

[Task 1] Basics21/04/2019▼

No matter what the challenge always starts with the basics.

You need to find the flag in the format tryhackme{}

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[Part 1] #1 Do Images have strings?

#1 Do Images have strings?

The hint here is strings

strings - print the sequences of printable characters in files

```
root@kali:~/Downloads# strings Basic.jpg
```

JFIF

ICC_PROFILE

...

tryhackme{7h1s_i5_wh4t_strings_d0es} ⇐ ANSWER TO #1

[Part 1] #2 Metadata or EXIF data?.....ah!! I'm so confused

#2 Metadata or EXIF data?.....ah!! I'm so confused

→ Metadata or Exif data can be viewed with exiftool

```
root@kali:~/Downloads# exiftool Basic.jpg
```

...



Comment : dHJ5aGFja21leRsd2F5NV9jaDNja19tM3Q0ZGE3NH0K

Image Width : 404

Image Height : 404


Encoding Process : Progressive DCT, Huffman coding

#2 Metadata or EXIF data?.....ah!! I'm so confused

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Operations

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To Base64

From Base64




To Hex



From Hex

To Hexdump

From Hexdump






URL Decode

Recipe   






From Base64  

Alphabet
A-Za-z0-9+/=

☒ Remove non-alphabet
chars

Input start: 44 end: 44 length: 0 length: 44 lines: 1     

dHJ5aGFja21leZRs d2F5NV9jaDNja19tM3Q0ZGE3NH0K

Output start: 33 end: 33 length: 0 length: 33 time: 23ms lines: 2     

tryhackme{4lway5_ch3ck_m3t4da74}

[Part 2] #1 Find the flag.

#1 Find the flag.

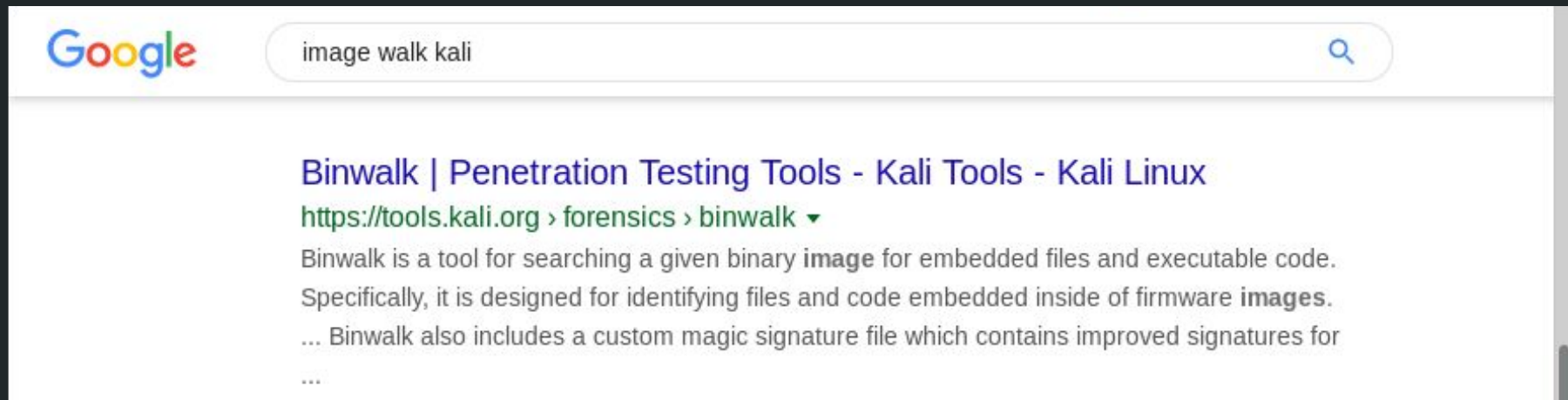
Download the next image: walk.jpg

I can make this easy just by telling you the tool or maybe you can read the title again and figure out your self.

P.S - It's a very famous, open source tool :)

#1 Find the flag.

The image name is walk, so:



The tool is binwalk

#1 Find the flag.

binwalk:

binwalk - tool for searching binary images for embedded files and executable code

Param:

-e, --extract Automatically extract known file types

#1 Find the flag.

```
root@kali:~/Downloads# binwalk -e walk.jpg
```

DECIMAL	HEXADECIMAL	DESCRIPTION
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0	0x0	JPEG image data, JFIF standard 1.01
30	0x1E	TIFF image data, big-endian, offset of first image directory: 8
170610	0x29A72	gzip compressed data, from Unix, last modified: 2019-04-21 08:25:56

```
root@kali:~/Downloads# ls
```

```
_walk.jpg.extracted
```

#1 Find the flag.

```
root@kali:~/Downloads# cd _walk.jpg.extracted/
```

```
root@kali:~/Downloads/_walk.jpg.extracted# ls
```

```
29A72 29A72.gz
```

```
root@kali:~/Downloads/_walk.jpg.extracted# cat 29A72
```

```
PaxHeader/flag.txt000644 001750 001751 000000000066 13457024252 014506
```

```
xustar00mzfrmzfr000000 000000 30 mtime=1555835050.729934811
```

```
24 SCHILY.fflags=extent
```

```
flag.txt000644 001750 001751 000000000352 13457024252 012533
```

```
Oustar00mzfrmzfr000000 000000 hmm..So you've got the flag.txt file good!!
```

Now let's play a bit with bases

This is the flag but it's encoded twice with 2 different bases. Figure it out

```
T1JaSFMyREJNTIZXMIpMM01JWVc0NVpVTIJWVjZNRFNMNvREQTRSVE5WWFRL
```

```
NUQ1Qkk9PT09PT0K
```

#1 Find the flag.

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From Binary

To Octal

From Octal

To Base64

From Base64

Show Base64 offsets

To Base32

From Base32

To Base58

From Base58

Recipe

From Base64

Alphabet
A-Za-z0-9+ ...

☒ Remove non-alphabet chars

From Base32

Alphabet
A-Z2-7=

☒ Remove non-alphabet chars

Input

length: 76
lines: 1

start: 76
end: 76
length: 0

T1JaSFMyREJNTlZXMlpMM0lJWVc0NVpVTlJWVjZNR
FNMNVREQTRSVE5WWFRLNUQ1Qkk9PT09PT0K

Output

time: 7ms
length: 31
lines: 2

tryhackme{b1nw4lk_0r_f0r3mo5t}

[Part 3] #1 Find the Flag

#1 Find the flag.

Download the next image: [hide.jpg](#)

Hint: You know the drill, focus on the Title.

#1 Find the flag.

This tool is really popular:

steghide - a steganography program

To extract:

Example:

```
$ steghide extract -sf picture.jpg
```

Enter passphrase:

wrote extracted data to "secret.txt".

#1 Find the flag.

```
root@kali:~/Downloads# steghide extract -sf hide.jpg
```

Enter passphrase:

```
steghide: could not extract any data with that passphrase!
```

```
root@kali:~/Downloads#
```

Oh No. The passphrase must be hidden in the image.

#1 Find the flag.

You can find the password 2 ways:

```
root@kali:~/Downloads# strings hide.jpg
JFIF
ORZHS2BUMNVW2MYK
$3br
%&'()*456789:CDEFGHIJSTUVWXYZcdefghijstuvwxyz
#3R
&'()*56789:CDEFGHIJSTUVWXYZcdefghijstuvwxyz
H@9l|
3_`x
NM+U
V[$2\
```



```
EAuy-
root@kali:~/Downloads# exiftool hide.jpg
ExifTool Version Number      : 11.77
File Name                     : hide.jpg
Directory                     : .
File Size                     : 56 kB
File Modification Date/Time   : 2019:12:27 19:23:3
File Access Date/Time        : 2019:12:27 19:28:4
File Inode Change Date/Time   : 2019:12:27 19:23:4
File Permissions              : rw-r--r--
File Type                     : JPEG
File Type Extension           : jpg
MIME Type                     : image/jpeg
JFIF Version                  : 1.01
Resolution Unit               : inches
X Resolution                   : 300
Y Resolution                   : 300
Comment                       : ORZHS2BUMNVW2MYK
Image Width                   : 426
```

#1 Find the flag.

- Tried ORZHS2BUMNVW2MYK
- Realized it was encoded
- Used cyberchef



The screenshot shows the CyberChef web application interface. On the left, the 'Recipe' panel is active, displaying a sequence of operations. The first operation is 'From Base64', which is disabled (indicated by a red 'X' icon). Below it, the 'Alphabet' dropdown is set to 'A-Za-z0-9+/', and the 'Remove non-alphabet chars' checkbox is checked. The second operation is 'From Base32', which is active (indicated by a green checkmark icon). Its 'Alphabet' dropdown is partially visible, showing 'A-Z2-7'. On the right, the 'Input' panel shows the text 'ORZHS2BUMNVW2MYK' with metadata: start: 17, end: 17, length: 17, lines: 2. The 'Output' panel at the bottom shows the result 'tryh4ckm3' with metadata: time: 3ms, length: 10, lines: 2.

Recipe

From Base64  

Alphabet
A - Z a - z 0 - 9 + / =

☒ Remove non-alphabet chars

From Base32  

Alphabet
A - Z 2 - 7

Input start: 17 length: 17
end: 17
length: 0 lines: 2

ORZHS2BUMNVW2MYK

Output time: 3ms
length: 10
lines: 2

tryh4ckm3

#1 Find the flag.

```
root@kali:~/Downloads# steghide extract -sf hide.jpg
```

Enter passphrase:

wrote extracted data to "flag-1.txt".

```
root@kali:~/Downloads# cat flag-1.txt
```

Steghide is a great tool to find some hidden data that couldn't be extracted using binwalk.

Note: steghide doesn't need password always

```
tryhackme{st3gh1d3_i5_l0v3}
```

[Part 4] #1 Find the flag.

#1 Find the flag.

Download: [stegano.png](#)

Hint:

Hiding data in LSB are a very common process. Especially in CTFs.

The most famous tool used for this is KDE68

P.S: Name of the tool is encrypted in a version of ROT cipher.

P.P.S: I repeat decode KDE68 to find the name of the tool.

(Hint look up ROT13 variants)

#1 Find the flag.

Decode KDE68

- Tried a bunch of different things until something worked



Search for a tool

★ SEARCH A TOOL ON DCODE BY KEYWORDS:

e.g. type caesar GO

Results

zsteg

ROT-47 Cipher - dCode

Tag(s) : Substitution Cipher, Internet

ROT-47 CIPHER

Cryptography › Substitution Cipher › ROT-47 Cipher

ROT47 Decoder

★ ROT47 CIPHERTEXT

KDE68

DECRYPT ROT47

See also: [ROT Cipher](#) — [ROT-13 Cipher](#) — [Caesar Cipher](#)

#1 Find the flag.

→ You have to download zsteg

<https://github.com/zed-0xff/zsteg>

→ Extract and run:

```
root@kali:~/zsteg-master# gem install zsteg
```

#1 Find the flag.

```
root@kali:~/Downloads# zsteg stegano.png
```

```
imagedata      .. text: "ywx46+%)"
```

```
b1,bgr,lsb,xy  .. text:
```

```
"=flag=4wbWyHV1VA43QJtvWdw8pLCwkADDQ7ZdYkz39KsKaXUeLtPy9DShWSp\n
```

```
....
```

#1 Find the flag.

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Recipe

☒ Remove non-alphabet chars

From Base58

Alphabet
123456789ABCDEFGH ...

☒ Remove non-alphabet chars

From Base32

Alphabet
A-Z2-7=

☒ Remove non-alphabet chars

Input

length: 55
lines: 1

4wbWyHV1VA43QJtvWdw8pLCwkADDQ7ZdYkz39KsKaXUeLtPy9DShwSp

Output

start: 24 time: 10ms
end: 24 length: 24
length: 0 lines: 1

tryhackme{lsb_4r3_l1t!!}

[Part 5] #1 Since you've been working hard..I wanted to hand out the flag to you but my dumb friend messed the whole image. Fix the image to get the flag.

#1 Fix the image.

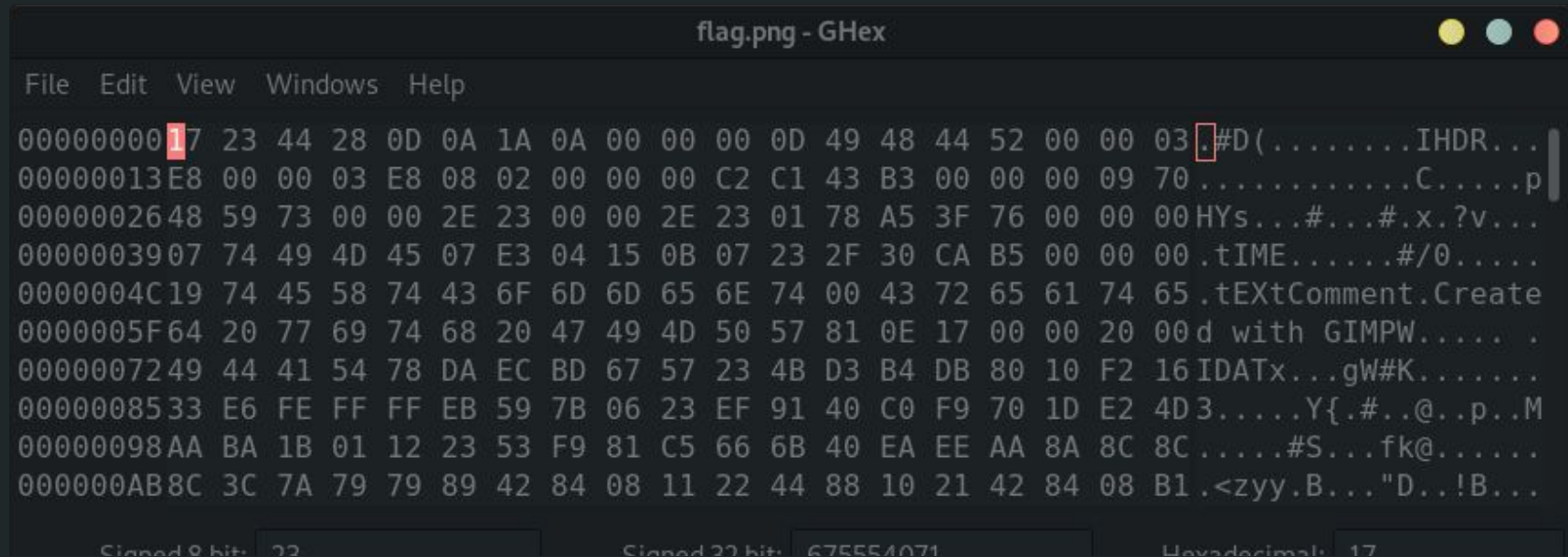
Download: [flag.png](#)

There are a lot of ways to mess a file. The most common one is to play with its headers.

NOTE: The flag is not in the `tryhackme{}`. For submission add `tryhackme{}` around the found flag.

#1 Fix the image.

Open the image with ghex and check the file signature: 17 23 44 28 0D 0A 1A ..



```
flag.png - GHex
File Edit View Windows Help
00000000 17 23 44 28 0D 0A 1A 0A 00 00 00 0D 49 48 44 52 00 00 03 .#D(.....IHDR...
00000013 E8 00 00 03 E8 08 02 00 00 00 C2 C1 43 B3 00 00 00 09 70 .....C.....p
00000026 48 59 73 00 00 2E 23 00 00 2E 23 01 78 A5 3F 76 00 00 00 Hys...#...#.x.?v...
00000039 07 74 49 4D 45 07 E3 04 15 0B 07 23 2F 30 CA B5 00 00 00 .tIME.....#/0.....
0000004C 19 74 45 58 74 43 6F 6D 6D 65 6E 74 00 43 72 65 61 74 65 .tEXtComment.Create
0000005F 64 20 77 69 74 68 20 47 49 4D 50 57 81 0E 17 00 00 20 00 d with GIMPW.....
00000072 49 44 41 54 78 DA EC BD 67 57 23 4B D3 B4 DB 80 10 F2 16 IDATx...gW#K.....
00000085 33 E6 FE FF FF EB 59 7B 06 23 EF 91 40 C0 F9 70 1D E2 4D 3....Y{.#..@..p..M
00000098 AA BA 1B 01 12 23 53 F9 81 C5 66 6B 40 EA EE AA 8A 8C 8C .....#S...fk@.....
000000AB 8C 3C 7A 79 79 89 42 84 08 11 22 44 88 10 21 42 84 08 B1 .<zzy.B..."D..!B...
```

Signed 8 bits: 22 Signed 22 bits: 675554071 Hexadecimal: 17

#1 Fix the image.

Lookup the file signature for png and compare it with:

17 23 44 28 0D 0A 1A ..

89 50 4E 47 0D 0A 1A 0A	.PNG....	0	png	Image encoded in the Portable Network Graphics format^[13]
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This doesn't match.

Edit the hex on flag.png to match, and then save it.

#1 Fix the image.



#1 Fix the image.

The fixed image is:

And the flag is:

tryhackme{LoL_m355ed_H34D3
R5_FoR_th15?}

LoL_m355ed
H34D3R5
FoR_th15?

[Part 6] #1 Audio?!

#1 Audio?!

Download flag.wav

Hint:

HACKER1: FBI is onto me that is why I am sending you a hidden message in an audio file.

HACKER2: What? Audio file...how the hell is that safe.

H1: It is because audio has nothing to do with it.

H2: So how can I see it.

H1: Just check the spectro.....

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This was the conversation intercepted by FBI between two hackers. FBI has provided you with the audio file can you help then find the message?

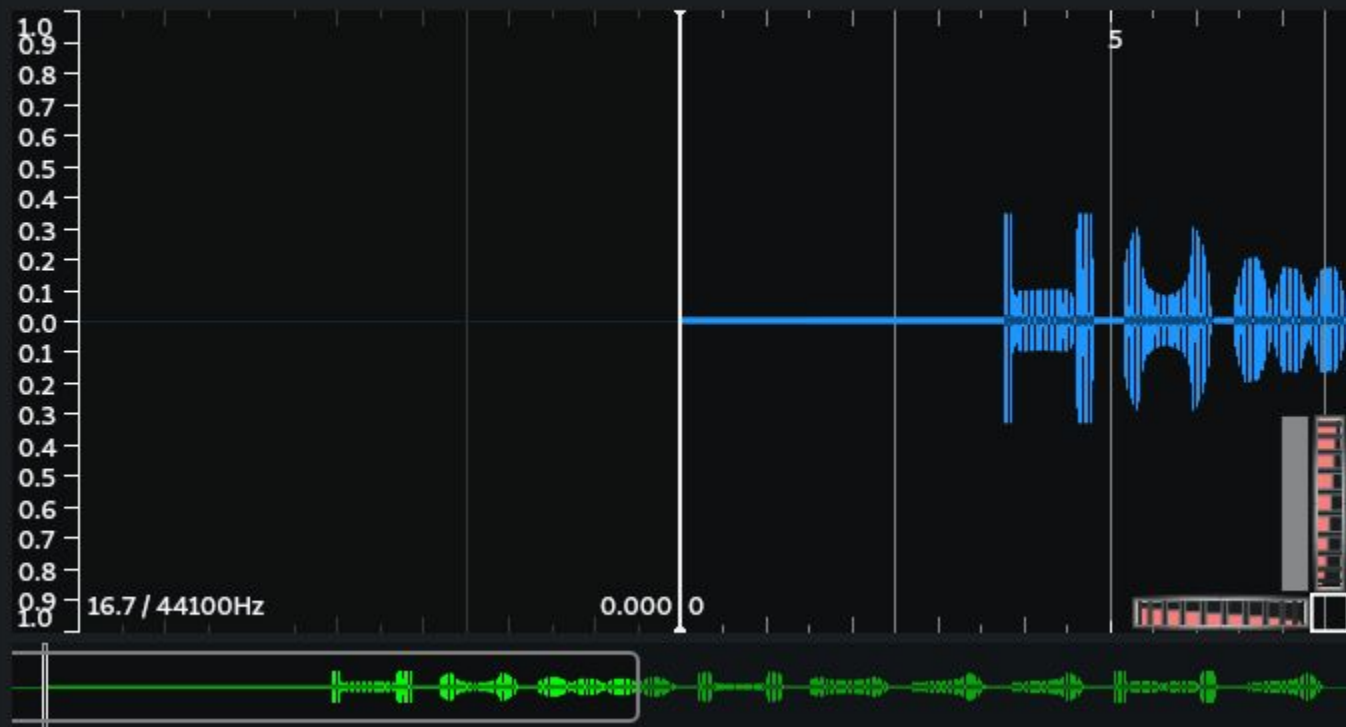
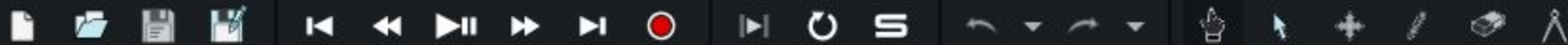
#1 Audio?!

In the hint it says check the spectro
After much searching I found a tool:

sonic-visualiser/kali-rolling 4.0-1 amd64
viewing and analysing the contents of music audio files

Downloaded it and opened the file

File Edit View Pane Layer Transform Playback Help



1 2 3

Global Scroll ☒Global Zoom ☒

Follow Playback Page ▾

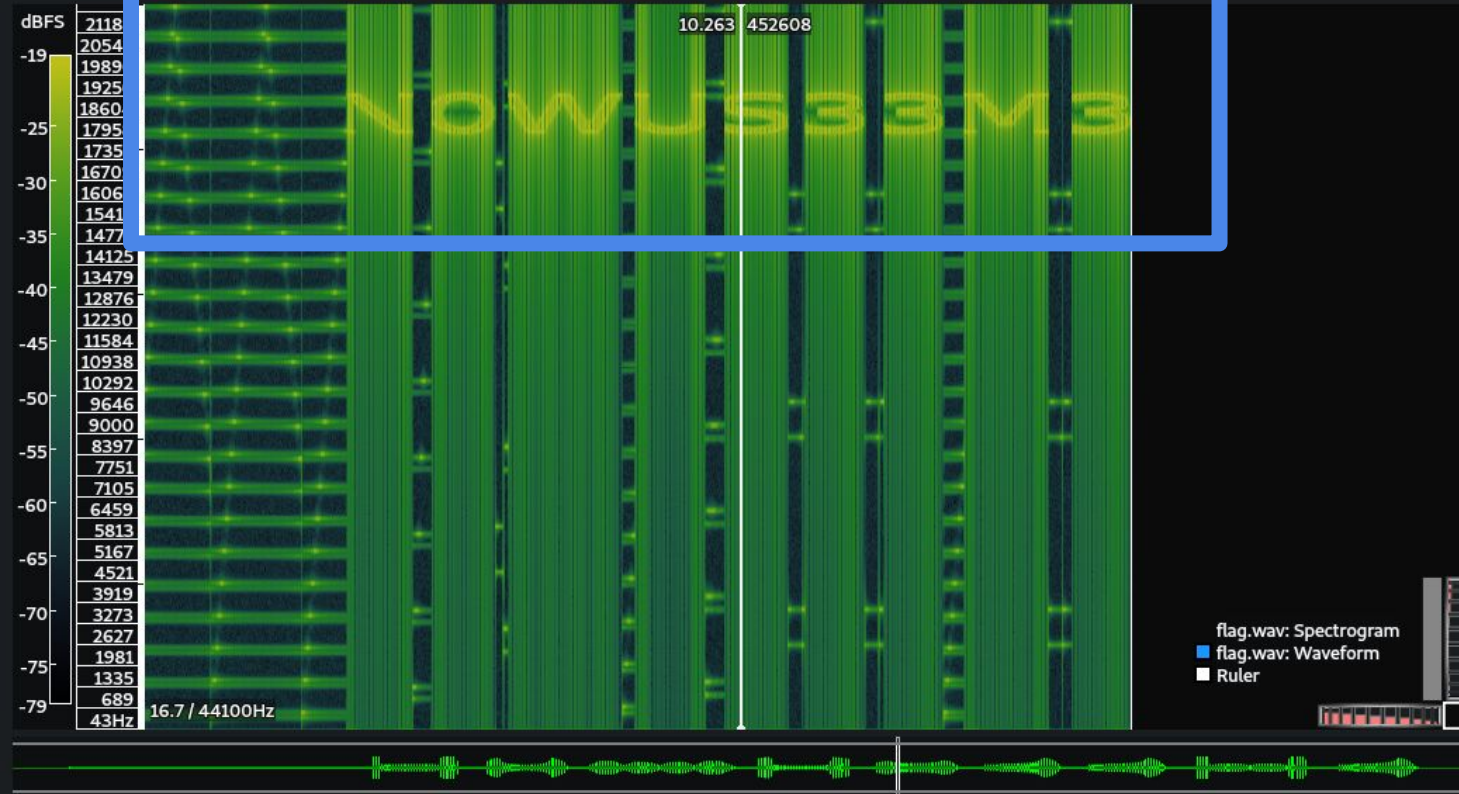
Click and drag to navigate; use mouse-wheel or trackpad-scroll to zoom; hold Shift and drag to zoom to an area

#1 Audio?!

To reveal the flag:

Layer > Add Spectrogram

File Edit View Pane Layer Transform Playback Help



1 2 3 4

Color Green

Scale dBV None

Window 1024 50 % 1x

Bins All Bins Linear

Show

#1 Audio?!

That is so cool...

Flag is:

tryhackme{NOWUS33M3}

[Part 7] #1 Let's start with the basic

#1 Let's start with the basic

Let's start with the basic:

Aopz pz h Jhlzhy jpwoly zopmalk zlclu wvzpapvuz zv h pz lxbpchslua av o huk
zv vu.

Doha fvb ullk pz h mshn ypnoa ayfohjrtl{Uv_jhlzhy_Uv_Jyfwav}

#1 Let's start with the basic

Text has been shifted. We have to figure out how much.

The last bit in the phrase is obviously the flag:

```
ayfohjrtl{Uv_jhlzhy_Uv_Jyfwav}
```

```
ayfohjrtl == tryhackme
```

#1 Let's start with the basic

Using ROT13

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https://gchq.github.io/CyberChef/#recipe=ROT13(true,true,19)&input=YXlmb2hqcjR1

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Triple DES Encrypt Triple DES Decrypt RC2 Encrypt RC2 Decrypt RC4 RC4 Drop ROT13 ROT47

Recipe

ROT13

☒ Rotate lower case chars ☒ Rotate upper case chars

Amount: 19

Input

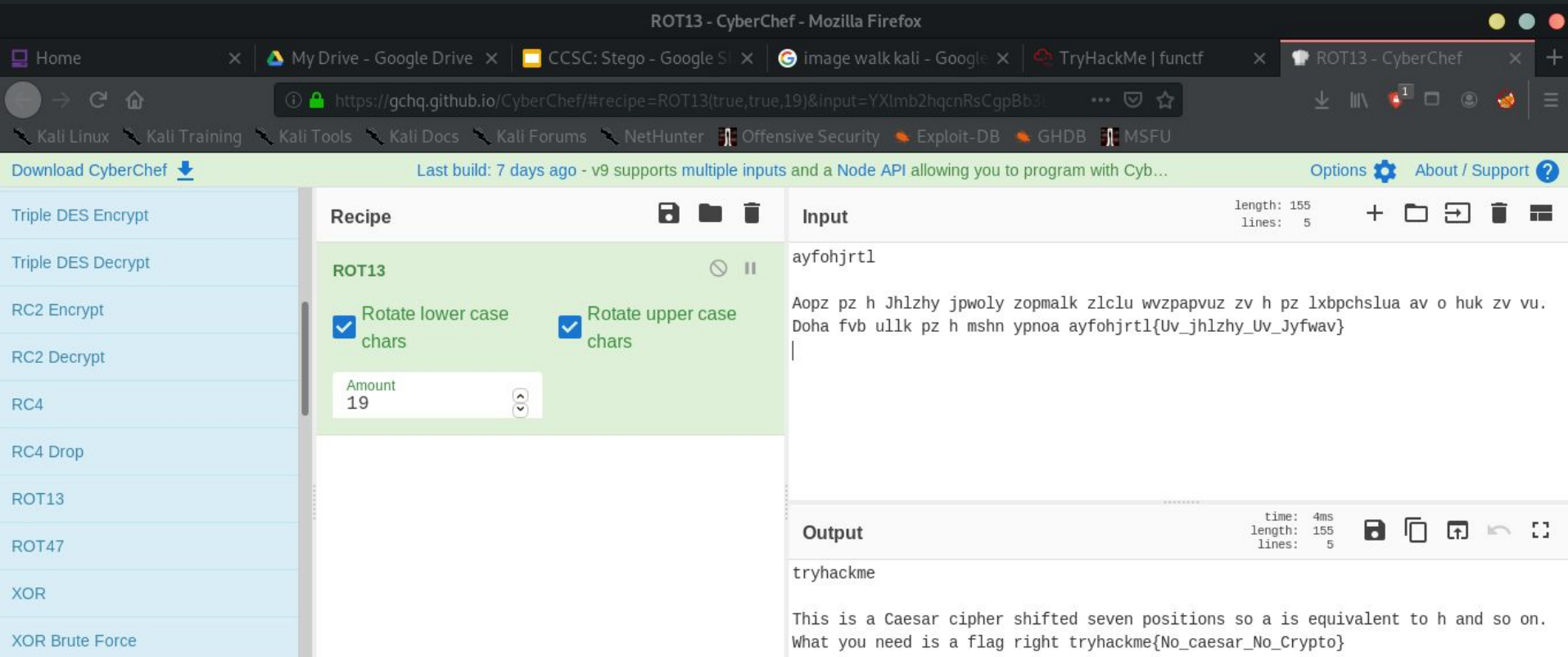
ayfohjrt1

length: 9
lines: 1

Output

time: 3ms
length: 9
lines: 1

#1 Let's start with the basic



[Part 7] #2 Let's start with the basic

#2 Let's start with the basic

Guvf gvzr gurl ner fuvsgrrq guvegrra cbfvgvbaf gung vf jul vg'f pnyyrrq EBG guvegrra.

SYNT: gelunpxzr{ebg_guvegrra_vf_nyfb_pnrfne_pvcure}

#2 Let's start with the basic

Focusing on this

SYNT: gelunpxzr{ebg_guvegrra_vf_nyfb_pnrfe_pvcure}

SYNT is hint maybe?

→ (Its actually flag)

→ Using the same technique

#1 Let's start with the basic

ROT13 - CyberChef - Mozilla Firefox

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https://gchq.github.io/CyberChef/#recipe=ROT13(true,true,39)&input=U1lOVDogZ2VsdW5w...
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Triple DES Encrypt
Triple DES Decrypt
RC2 Encrypt
RC2 Decrypt
RC4
RC4 Drop
ROT13
ROT47
XOR
XOR Brute Force

Recipe

ROT13

☒ Rotate lower case chars ☒ Rotate upper case chars

Amount: 39

Input

start: 154 end: 154 length: 0
length: 154 lines: 6

SYNT: gelunpxzr
Guvf gvzr gurl ner fuvsgrq guvegrra cbfvgvbaf gung vf jul vg'f pnyyrq EBG guvegrra.
SYNT: gelunpxzr{ebg_guvegrra_vf_nyfb_pnrfne_pvcure}

Output

start: 154 end: 154 length: 0
time: 17ms length: 154 lines: 6

FLAG: tryhackme
This time they are shifted thirteen positions that is why it's called ROT thirteen.
FLAG: tryhackme{rot_thirteen_is_also_caesar_cipher}

[Part 7] #3 What the hell is this?

#3 What the hell is this?

(@29]]]]H:== E9:D 6G6C DE@An x >62? H6 42? ;FDE D9:7E E@ 2?J 2>@F?E @7
A@D:E:@?D H:E9 H926G6C 492C24E6C D6E]
ECJ924<>6Lu=2v0xD0p==0x0Hp?E0?@0q\$N

#3 What the hell is this?

(@29]]]]H:== E9:D 6G6C DE@An x >62? H6 42? ;FDE D9:7E E@ 2?J 2>@F?E @7
A@D:E:@?D H:E9 H926G6C 492C24E6C D6E]
ECJ924<>6Lu=2v0xD0p==0x0Hp?E0?@0q\$N

→ They have probably shifted more than just letters

⇒ The encoding that does that is ROT47

#3 What the hell is this?

ROT47 - CyberChef - Mozilla Firefox

File Edit View History Bookmarks Tools Help

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https://gchq.github.io/CyberChef/#recipe=ROT47(47)&input=KEAyOV1dXUg6PT0gRTk6RCA? ... ☆

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RC2 Decrypt

RC4

RC4 Drop

ROT13

ROT47

XOR

XOR Brute Force

Recipe

ROT47

Amount
47

Input

start: 143 end: 143 length: 143
length: 0 lines: 1

(@29]]]H:== E9:D 6G6C DE@An x >62? H6 42? ;FDE D9:7E E@ 2?J 2>@F?E @7 A@D:E:@?D H:E9
H926G6C 492C24E6C D6E] ECJ924<>6Lu=2v0xD0p==0x0Hp?E0?@0q\$N

Output

start: 143 end: 143 length: 143
length: 0 lines: 1 time: 5ms

Woah...will this ever stop? I mean we can just shift to any amount of positions with
whaever character set. tryhackme{Flag_Is_All_I_wAnt_no_BS}

[Part 7] #4 What the hell is this?

#4 What the hell is this?

Fmeorcbi gc rmd gyowyb sp sw gd. Afy gybiq gi hewr geld xfo jjkk
rbcfkgiwi{Tskcxipo_gGzLcB_mQ_MeCcep_mmNrlp}

P.S: Don't forget to use your brain ;)

#4 What the hell is this?

Keeping only the flag part:

Three different amounts that were shifted by:

tdehmiky{VuMezkrq_ilbNeD_oS_OgEegr_ooPtKr}

hrsvawymy{JiAsnyfe_wWpBsR_cG_CuSsuf_ccDhYf}

nxybgcese{PoGytelk_cCvHyX_iM_laYyal_iiJnEl}

--> You can see that together they make tryhackme

#4 What the hell is this?

--> Replace the characters that are in the wrong position with # to make clearer

```
t##h##k##{V##e##r#_#l##e#r_#s_##E#r_##P##r}
```

```
#r##a##m#{#i##s##e_##p##R_##_C##s##_c##h##}
```

```
##y##c##e{##G##e##_c##H##_i#_#a##a#_#i##E#}
```

the flag is:

```
tryhackme{ViGesere_clpHeR_iS_CaEsar_ciPhEr}
```

--> I figured this out with pencil and paper I am sure there is faster way

[Part 8] #1 Ancient Times

#1 Ancient Times

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32
 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44 45 46 47 48 49 50 51 52 53 54 55 56 57 58 59 60 61 62

#1 Ancient Times

- Looked around until I found out what it was
- Pigpen cipher
- Found a site to decode it

Search for a tool

★ SEARCH A TOOL ON DCODE BY KEYWORDS:

Results

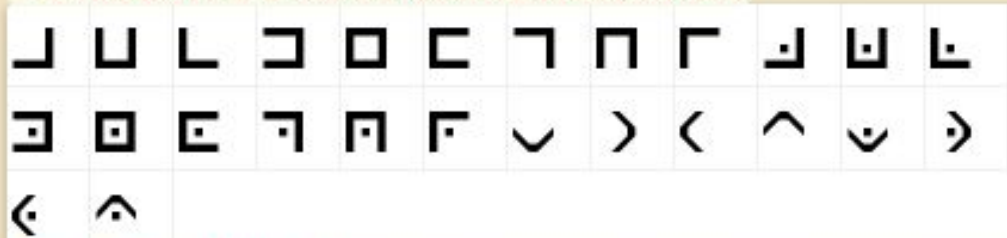


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PSSOEDPIOEJSQEAPIERPARGLAGEKSQEKV	
#,X,*,X*	YHACOQETIGARDTER
La Buse	EKKCJHERCJTKGJBERJIEBINVBNJTKGJTQ
	UPBFCGJMRNBIHMJI
Heinrich von	JMMKEDJIKPEMKEAJIELJALGUAGEQMKEQO
Nettelshheim	YHACKKENIGALDNEL
#,X*,#,X	CFFBRQCVBRWFDNRNVCRECNETYNTRXFDRXI
	LUNPBDRGVTNEQGRE
	TWWSMLTQSMWUMITQMVTIVOCIOBWUMBZ

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★ PIG-PEN CIPHERTEXT



[Part 9]: #1 Genetics

#1 Genetics

I heard scientist found ways to hide data in DNA and stuff. Is it really true?

CTCAAAATAATCTTGATTACAATGATTAGTACATTGAAACACACATTGCCACAG
AGAATCACGTTGAAAATCCGACATACTAGAATCACGTTGCATATGTTGATAAAA
AGGACATTGCATACTACAAGACACTTGATAACACAGCAGAAAACGACATTGCA
GACAAAGCCACACACATTTTTGTAAACAAGTAGTTTGCCGACTATGTTGAAGAA
ACACACACAGTTGGAGTTGAGCCCACAGCATTTGATCACAACAAATTTGATAC
GATTGAATAAAATAATCTTGACCAGTAAAACGTTGGAAACAGCTTCGCATTCAA
AGTGAGACCCAGAC

#1 Genetics

(This actually took me a long time to figure out)

First I looked up dna code to english and scrolled until I found this promising table:

DNA CODE							
Codon	English	Codon	English	Codon	English	Codon	English
AAA	a	CAA	q	GAA	G	TAA	W
AAC	b	CAC	r	GAC	H	TAC	X
AAG	c	CAG	s	GAG	I	TAG	Y
AAT	d	CAT	t	GAT	J	TAT	Z
ACA	e	CCA	u	GCA	K	TCA	1
ACC	f	CCC	v	GCC	L	TCC	2
ACG	g	CCG	w	GCG	M	TCG	3
ACT	h	CCT	x	GCT	N	TCT	4
AGA	i	CGA	y	GGA	O	TGA	5
AGC	j	CGC	z	GGC	P	TGC	6
AGG	k	CGG	A	GGG	Q	TGG	7
AGT	l	CGT	B	GGT	R	TGT	8
ATA	m	CTA	C	GTA	S	TTA	9
ATC	n	CTC	D	GTC	T	TTC	0
ATG	o	CTG	E	GTG	U	TTG	space
ATT	p	CTT	F	GTT	V	TTT	. (period)

#1 Genetics

I started manually translating it, but then gave up and wrote a program to do it for me.

```
Open  dna_code.py
~/
#DNA TRIPLES
#Input: DNA triples without spaces
dnac={'AAA': 'a',
      'AAC': 'b',
      'AAG': 'c',
      'AAT': 'd',
      'ACA': 'e',
      'ACC': 'f',
      'ACG': 'g',
      'ACT': 'h',
      'AGA': 'i',
      'AGC': 'j',
      'AGG': 'k',
      'AGT': 'l',
      'ATA': 'm',
      'ATC': 'n',
      'ATG': 'o',
      'TTC': '0',
      'TTG': '1',
      'TTT': '.'};

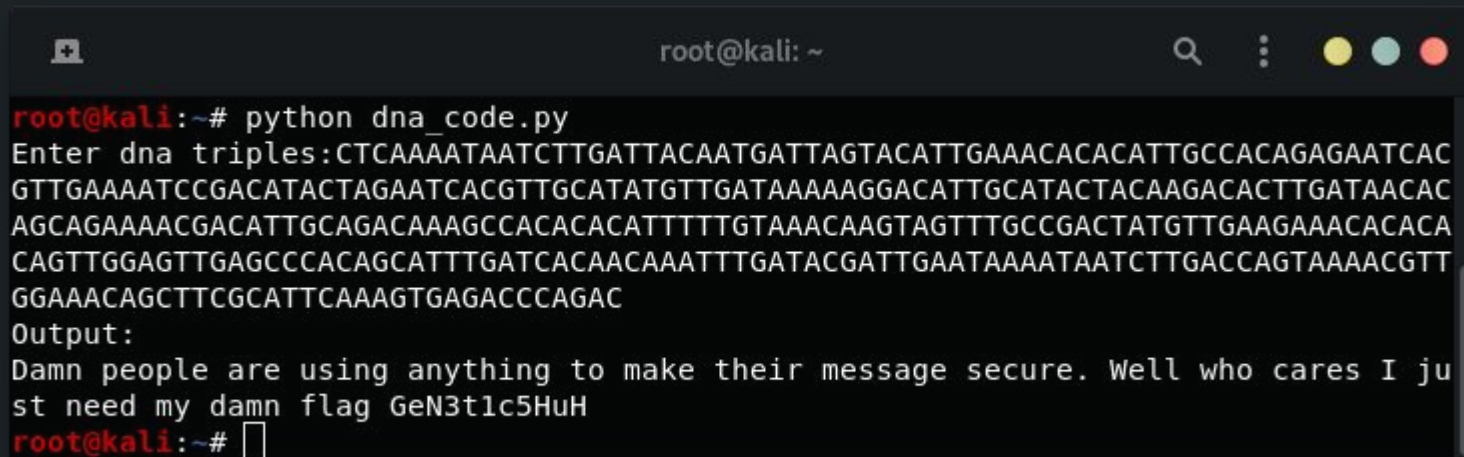
def get_input():
    code=raw_input("Enter dna triples:")
    return code

def dna_code_to_english(code):
    plain=''
    for i in range(0, len(code), 3):
        plain+=dnac[code[i:i+3]]
    return plain

code=get_input()
plain=dna_code_to_english(code)
print("Output:")
print(plain)
```

#1 Genetics

Program Output:

A terminal window titled 'root@kali: ~' with standard window controls. The terminal shows the execution of a Python script 'dna_code.py'. The user enters a long DNA sequence. The program outputs a message about message security and reveals a flag.

```
root@kali:~# python dna_code.py
Enter dna triples:CTCAAAATAATCTTGATTACAATGATTAGTACATTGAAACACACATTGCCACAGAGAATCAC
GTTGAAAATCCGACATACTAGAATCACGTTGCATATGTTGATAAAAAGGACATTGCATACTACAAGACACTTGATAACAC
AGCAGAAAACGACATTGCAGACAAAGCCACACACATTTTTGTAAACAAGTAGTTGCCGACTATGTTGAAGAAACACACA
CAGTTGGAGTTGAGCCCACAGCATTGATCACAACAAATTTGATACGATTGAATAAAATAATCTTGACCAGTAAACGTT
GGAAACAGCTTCGCATTCAAAGTGAGACCCAGAC
Output:
Damn people are using anything to make their message secure. Well who cares I ju
st need my damn flag GeN3t1c5HuH
root@kali:~#
```

Flag: tryhackme{GeN3t1c5HuH}

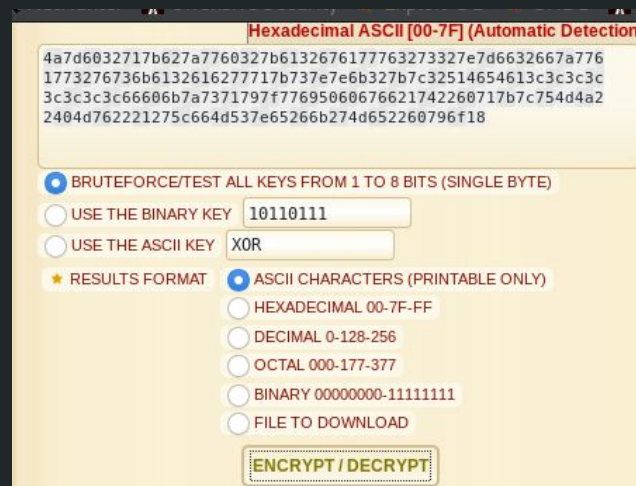
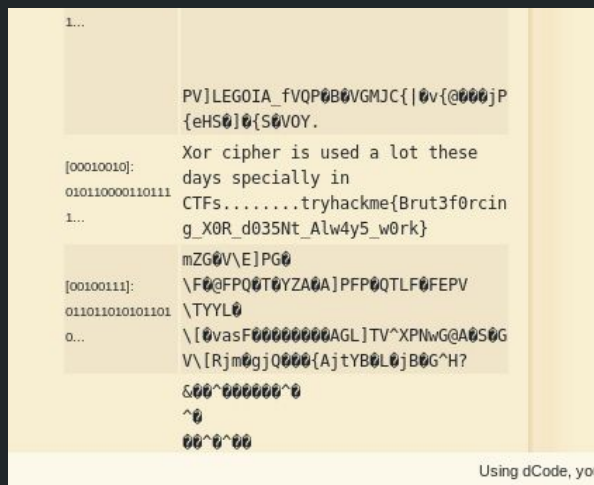
[Part 10] #1 Exclusive Or Random

#1 Exclusive Or Random

Hint: You know you can take any two beautiful messages(strings) and mesh them together and they'll come out complete random.

4a7d6032717b627a7760327b6132676177763273327e7d6632667a7761773276
736b6132616277717b737e7e6b327b7c32514654613c3c3c3c3c3c3c66606b7
a7371797f77695060676621742260717b7c754d4a22404d762221275c664d537
e65266b274d652260796f18

#1 Exclusive Or Random



You have to brute force it:

[00010010]: 0101100001101111...Xor cipher is used a lot these days specially in
CTFs.....tryhackme{Brut3f0rcing_X0R_d035Nt_Alw4y5_w0rk}

[Part 11] #1 Morse Code

#1 Morse Code

Download the file: morse.txt

Hint: Morse code is being used for a very long time. And since then there has been a lot of versions like using your eyebrows, flashing torches, tapping etc.

#1 Morse Code

Found a table that had the conversion:

The screenshot shows the MorseCode.World website interface. At the top, there's a red header with the site name and navigation links for 'International', 'American', 'More', and 'SCPhillips.com'. Below the header, a note states: 'the highlighted letters or symbols the Morse sound will be played.' The main content area features three tables of Morse code conversions and a 'Sound Controls' panel on the right.

Letter	Morse
A	di-dah
B	dah-di-di-dit
C	dah-di-dah-dit
D	dah-di-dit
E	dit
F	di-di-dah-dit
G	dah-dah-dit
H	di-di-di-dit
I	di-dit

Letter	Morse
N	dah-dit
O	dah-dah-dah
P	di-dah-dah-dit
Q	dah-dah-di-dah
R	di-dah-dit
S	di-di-dit
T	dah
U	di-di-dah
V	di-di-di-dah

Digit	Morse
0	dah-dah-dah-dah-dah
1	di-dah-dah-dah-dah
2	di-di-dah-dah-dah
3	di-di-di-dah-dah
4	di-di-di-di-dah
5	di-di-di-di-dit
6	dah-di-di-di-dit
7	dah-dah-di-di-dit
8	dah-dah-dah-di-dit

Sound Controls

Pitch ⓘ
550

Speed ⓘ
20

Farnsworth speed ⓘ
20

#1 Morse Code

Wrote a program to
perform the decoding:

```
root@kali:~# python morse_to_en.py
```

```
Enter morse code:dah dah-dah-dah di-dah-di-dit dah-di-dit dah-di-dah-dah dah-dah  
-dah di-di-dah dah di-di-di-dit dit dah-di-dah-dah di-dah di-dah-dit dit di-di-d  
ah di-di-dit di-dit dah-dit dah-dah-dit di-dah dah-dit dah-di-dah-dah dah di-di-  
di-dit di-dit dah-dit dah-dah-dit dah dah-dah-dah dit dah-dit dah-di-dah-dit di-  
dah-dit dah-di-dah-dah di-dah-dah-dit dah dah di-di-di-dit dit di-di-dit dit dah  
-di-dit di-dah dah-di-dah-dah di-di-dit di-dah-di-dah-di-dah di-di-dah-dit di-da  
h-di-dit di-dah dah-dah-dit di-dit di-di-dit di-dit dah-dit dah di-di-di-dah-dah  
di-dah-dit dah-dit di-di-di-di-dah dah di-dit dah-dah-dah-dah-dah dah-dit di-di-  
-di-di-dah di-dah-di-dit dah-dah dah-dah-dah-dah-dah di-dah-dit di-di-dit di-di-  
di-dah-dah dah-di-dah-dit dah-dah-dah-dah-dah dah-di-dit di-di-di-dah-dah
```

Output:

```
TOLDYOUTHEYAREUSINGANYTHINGTOENCRYPTTHESEDAYS.FLAGISINT3RN4TI0N4LM0RS3C0D3
```

```
root@kali:~# █
```

```
'dah-di-dah-di-dah-dah': '!',  
'di-dah-di-dah-di-dah': '.',  
'dah-di-di-di-di-dah': '-',  
'di-dah-di-dah-dit': '+',  
'di-dah-di-di-dah-dit': '=',  
'di-di-dah-dah-di-dit': '?',  
'dah-di-di-dah-dit': '\\'  
};
```

```
def get_input():  
    code=raw_input("Enter morse code:")  
    return code
```

```
def morse_code_to_english(code):  
    plain=''  
    code_arr=code.split(' ')  
    for i in range(0, len(code_arr)):  
        plain+=morse_dict[code_arr[i]]  
    return plain
```

```
code=get_input()  
plain=morse_code_to_english(code)  
print("Output:")  
print(plain)
```

End.

There are about 5 more. But they are about reverse engineering, and are unrelated to the topic.

There are a ton of challenges similar to these on this site, and hack the box.

I used to do these challenges in first year:

<https://cryptopals.com/sets/1/challenges/>

<https://www.mysterytwisterc3.org/en/challenges/>