

Bug Bounty & Penetration Testing: Login Flaws

Default or Common Passwords

Default or Common Passwords are critical vulnerabilities often found in misconfigured applications. They include:

1. Default Credentials for Admin Panels:

- Test /admin, /phpmyadmin using admin:admin, root:root, etc.
- Tools: Hydra, Burp Intruder, Nuclei
- Impact: Admin panel takeover

2. Default Passwords for IoT or Third-Party Apps:

- Example: Jenkins (admin:admin), cameras (admin:1234)

3. Weak/Common Passwords at Registration:

- Test for weak password acceptance: "password", "123456"

4. Shared Passwords Across Privileged Accounts:

- Register normal account, test same password for admin users

5. Authentication Bypass via Default Tokens/API Keys:

- Try Bearer test123 or similar headers for access

Token Leakage (JWT in URLs)

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Token Leakage occurs when tokens are exposed via URL, JavaScript, logs, etc.

1. JWT in URL Parameters:

- Example: `/reset?token=JWT`
- Risk: Exposed in browser history, logs

2. JWT in Referer Headers:

- Third-party scripts can read Referer headers with tokens

3. JWT in JS/HTML:

- Exposed in source code or network responses

4. JWT in Logs:

- Public log files containing tokens

5. Token Reuse Without Rotation:

- Token still valid after logout

6. JWT Without Expiry or Weak Signing:

- Test 'alg: none' or missing 'exp' fields
- Decode at jwt.io