XVWA (Extreme Vulnerable Web Application)

Badly coded for following vulnerabilities

SQL Injection - Error Based

SQL injection considerably one of the most critical issues in application security is an attack technique by which a $malicious\ user\ can\ run\ SQL\ code\ with\ the\ privilege\ on\ which\ the\ application\ is\ configured.\ Error\ based\ SQL\ injections\ are$ easy to detect and exploit further. It responds to user's request with detailed backend error messages. These error $messages \ are \ generated \ because \ of \ specially \ designed \ user \ requests \ such \ that \ it \ breaks \ the \ SQL \ query \ syntax \ used \ in$ the application.

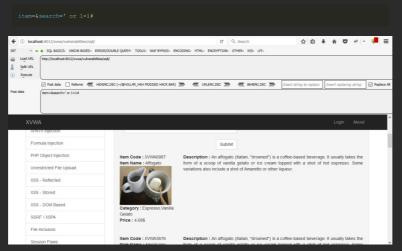
https://www.owasp.org/index.php/SQL_Injection

Vulnerable Discovery

Post Request

check following error

Ok we need to fuzz sql query for true statement.



So we got all from the database by inserting ture SQL query. Now you can test with SQL Injection queries like ORDER BY , UNION SELECT for dump all data from database.

SQL Injection - Blind

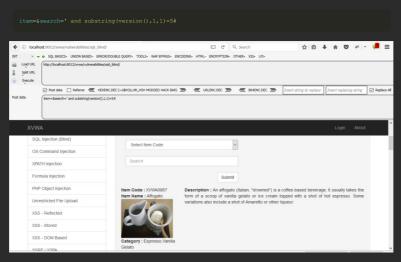
Blind SQL injections are tricky to detect and exploit as the application is designed to handle errors and exceptions smartly. $However\ the\ vulnerability\ still\ exists.\ Blind\ SQL\ injections\ are\ nearly\ identical\ to\ Normal\ or\ Error\ based\ SQL\ injections.\ The$ difference here is that user/attacker will not see any backend error message in this case. Since no errors are provided in web responses, it becomes difficult for an attacker to exploit this vulnerability.

Read more about Blind SQL Injection

We can know this is boolean based blind SQL Injection by getting this error. Error for False Statement & No Error for True Statement.

Testing with Boolean Based Blind query

Result will be error because the first letter of version() is not 6. How about



OS Command Injection

Some applications use operating system commands to execute certain functionalities by using bad coding practices, say for instance, usage of functions such as system(),shell_exec(), etc. This allows a user to inject arbitrary commands that will execute on the remote host with the privilege of web server user. An attacker can trick the interpreter to execute his desired commands on the system.

Read more about Command Injection
https://www.owasp.org/index.php/Command_Injection

Vulnerability Discovery

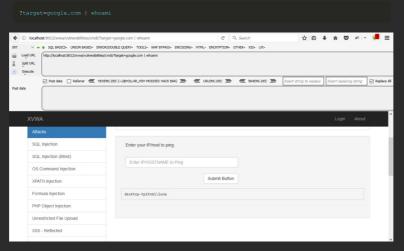
As we know, ping command is OS command for network purposes.

```
?target=127.0.0.1

Why this request work?

exec("ping 127.0.0.1");
```

XVWA is badly coded with string to command function by allowing user input without validate. How about Multiple Commands with our input?



XPATH Injection

XPTH injections are fairly similar to SQL injection with a difference that it uses XML Queries instead of SQL queries. This vulnerability occurs when application does not validate user-supplied information that constructs XML queries. An attacker can send malicious requests to the application to find out how XML data is structured and can leverage the attack to access unauthorized XML data.

Read more about XPTH Injection https://www.owasp.org/index.php/XPATH_Injection

Vulnerability Discovery

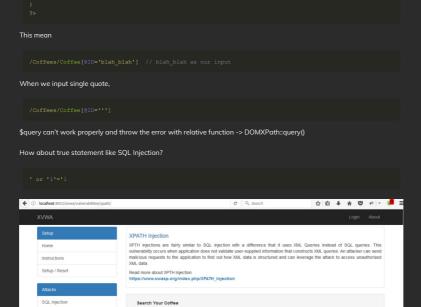
We got this errors by injection single quote at user input.

```
Warning: DOMXFath::query(): Invalid predicate in C:\xampp\htdocs\xvwa\vulnerabilities\xpath\home.php on line 10

Warning: DOMXFath::query(): Invalid expression in C:\xampp\htdocs\xvwa\vulnerabilities\xpath\home.php on line 10
```

Source Code Review

```
<?php
$result = '';
if(isset(S_POST['submit'])){
$doc = new DOMDocument;
$doc>load('coffee.xml');
$xpath = new DOMXPath($doc);
$input = $_POST['search'];
$query = "/Coffees/Coffee($ID='".$input."']";
$$result = isset($xpath->query($query)) ? $xpath->query($query) : '';
$result = $xpath->query($query);
```



Unrestricted File Upload

Why this topic first?

XSS - Stored

OS Command Injection

XPATH Injection

Formula Injection

PHP Object Injection

Unrestricted File Upload

We need to use file upload vulnerability for formula injection.

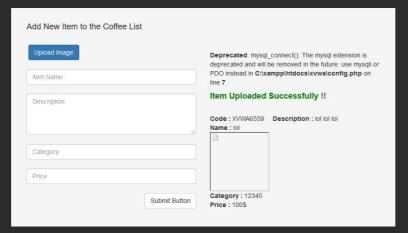
As the name depicts, this issues happens when application does not validate file that is being uploaded by user. An attacker can upload malicious files called webshells on the server that could leads to complete server compromise.

Read more about Unrestricted File Upload https://www.owasp.org/index.php/Unrestricted_File_Upload

A php file

<?php phpinfo(); ?>

I saved this code with hello.php . Ok lets upload this



Recall our uploaded file.



PHIP Extension
Build
Debug Build
no

Formula Injection

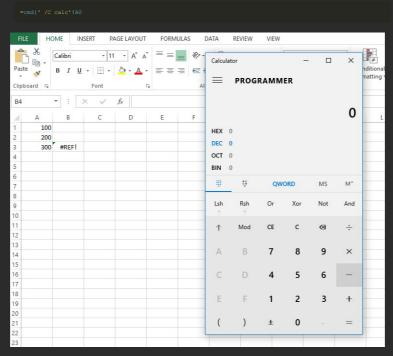
CSV Formula injection is also known as CSV Excel Macro Injection. This happens when the application does not validate the content of CSV file. Applications that allows to export/download data in CSV or excel format usually vulnerable to such attacks.

Read more about CSV Formula Injection
https://www.owasp.org/index.php/CSV_Excel_Macro_Injection

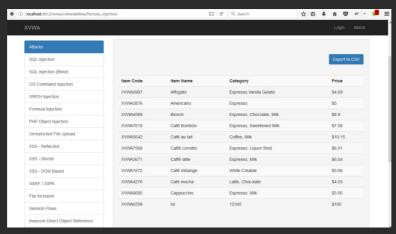
What is Formula?



RCF:



What happened in XVWA? Lets check!

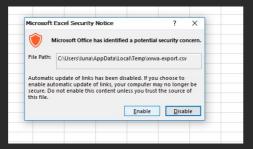


We can export Item list to csv file. How can we inject this item list? I mentioned about this case in File Upload. We need to use file upload session for injection formula.



```
XVWA6034 =cmd|' /C calc'!A0 =cmd|' /C calc'!A 0 $ 1 0 0 0
```

Ok, lets export this csv file



You will see the calculator 😀

PHP Object Injection

Though PHP Object Injection is not a very common vulnerability and also difficult to exploit, but it is found to be really dangerous vulnerbility as this could lead an attacker to perform different kinds of malicious attacks, such as Code Injection, SQL Injection, Path Traversal and Denial of Service, depending on the application context. PHP Object Injection vulnerability occurs when user-supplied inputs are not sanitized properly before passing to the unserialize() PHP function at the server side. Since PHP allows object serialization, attackers could pass ad-hoc serialized strings to a vulnerable unserialize() calls, resulting in an arbitrary PHP object(s) injection into the application scope.

Read more about PHP Object Injection https://www.owasp.org/index.php/PHP_Object_Injection

Understanding PHP class & objects

Creating Class in php

```
class Car {
// The code
}
```

Adding Properties to class

```
class Car {
  public $comp;
  public $color = 'beige';
  public $hasSunRoof = true;
  }
```

Creating Object from class

```
$bmw = new Car ();
```

Creating more objects from a class

```
Shmw = new Car ();
Smercedes = new Car ();
```

Getting Object's properties

```
echo Sbmw -> color;
echo Smercedes -> color;
```

Setting Object's properties

```
$bmw -> color = 'blue';
```

Adding methods to a class

```
class Car {
  public $comp;
  public $color = 'beige';
  public $hasSunRoof = true;

  public function hello()
  {
    return "beep";
  }
}
```

Using methods from Objects

```
Shmw = new Car ();
Smercedes = new Car ();
echo Shmw -> hello();
echo Smercedes -> hello();
```

Test Case

```
class Car {
public Scomp;
public Scolor = 'beige';
public ShasSunRoof = true;
public function hello()
{
return "beep";
}
}
```

```
Sbmw=mew Car();
echo Sbmw -> color;
?>
```

Result for Test Case

```
\leftarrow \rightarrow \ {\bf C} \ \textcircled{0} \ \text{localhost:} 8012/\text{Object\_Injection/testcase.php} beige
```

Understanding \$this keyword

Class

```
class Car {
  public $comp;
  public $color = 'beige';
  public $hasSunRoof = true;

  public function hello()
  {
    return "beep";
  }
}
```

\$this usage

```
$this -> propertyName;
$this -> methodName();
```

\$this usage with class

```
class Car {
    // The properties
    public $comp;
    public $color = 'beige';
    public $hasSunRoof = true;

    // The method can now approach the class properties
    // with the $this keyword
    public function hello()
    {
        return "Beep I am a <i>" . $this -> comp . "</i>, and I am <i>" .
        $this -> color;
    }
}
```

Objects with class

```
Show = new Car();
Smercedes = new Car();
```

Call Method with objects

```
echo Sbmw -> hello();
```

Test Case for \$this

```
<?php
class Car {

// The properties
public $comp;
public $color = 'beige';
public $color = 'beige';
public $color = true;

// The method can now approach the class properties

// with the $this keyword
public function hello()
{
return "Beep I am a <i>" . $this -> comp . "</i>, and I am <i>" .

$this -> color;
}
}
$
$bmw = new Car();
echo $tmw -> hello();
?>
```

Result for Test case \$this

Understanding Magic Methods & Constants

__construct()

```
class Car{
    private $model;

    // A constructor method.
    public function __construct($model)
    {
        $this -> model = $model;
     }
}
```

Objects from a class

```
Scarl = new Car();
```

Result

```
Warning: Missing argument 1 for Car::_construct()
```

Adding Argument

```
$carl = new Car("Mercedes");
```

Adding output method for echo

```
class Car {
  private $model;

//_construct
public function _construct ($model)
  {
    $this -> model = $model;
  }

  public function getCarModel()
  {
    return ' The car model is: ' . $this -> model;
  }
}
```

Object with arguments for __construct() & echo via getCarModel()

```
$carl = new Car("Mercedes");
echo $carl -> getCarModel();
```

Test Case for Magic Methods

```
<?php
class Car {
    private $model;

//_construct
    public function _construct ($model)
    {
        $this -> model = $model;
    }

    public function getCarModel()
    {
        return ' The car model is: ' . $this -> model;
    }
}

//We pass the value of the variable once we create the object
$carl = new Car("Mercedes");

echo $carl -> getCarModel();

?>
```

Result for Test Case magic methods



Understanding Serialized & Unserialzed

serialize usage

```
$serialized = serialize($obj);
```

unserialze usage

```
Sobj2 = unserialize($serialized);
```

A class to test serialize & unserialized

```
class Test
{
   public $variable = 'BUZ2';
   public $variable2 = 'OTHER';

   public function hello()
   {
       return $this=>variable . '<br />';
   }

   public function __construct()
   {
       echo '__construct<br />';
   }

   public function __destruct()
   {
       echo '__destruct<br />';
   }

   public function __wakeup()
   {
       echo '__wakeupcbr />';
   }

   public function __sleep()
   {
       echo '__sleepcbr />';
       return array('variable', 'variable2');
   }
}
```

Echo test

```
$obj = new Test();
$serialized = serialize($obj);
echo "Serialized: ".$serialized;
echo "Unserialized form $serialized: ".$obj2 = unserialize($serialized);
echo $obj2-hello();
```

Test Case for Serialized & unserialized

```
class Test
{
  public Svariable = 'BUZ2';
  public Svariable2 = 'OTHER';
  public function hello()
  {
    return Sthis->variable . '<br />';
  }
  public function _construct()
  {
    echo '_construct<br />';
  }
  public function _destruct()
  {
    echo '_destruct<br />';
  }
  public function _wakeup()
  {
    echo '_wakeup<br />';
  }
  public function _sleep()
  {
    echo '_sleep<br />';
  return array('variable', 'variable2');
  }
  }
}
$obj = new Test();
$serialized = serialize($obj);
  echo "Serialized : ".$serialized;
$obj2 = unserialize($serialized);
  echo "Unserialzed from $serialized : ".$obj2->hello();
  ?>
```

Result for Test Case

```
C @ localhost:8012/Object_Injection/test_case_serialized_unserialized_php
__construct
_sleep
Serialized : O:4:"Test":2:{s:8:"variable";s:4:"BUZZ";s:9:"variable2";s:5:"OTHER";}__wakeup
Unserialized from O:4:"Test":2:{s:8:"variable";s:4:"BUZZ";s:9:"variable2";s:5:"OTHER";} : BUZZ
_destruct
_destruct
_destruct
```

Understanding PHP Object Injection

Class from XVWA

Serialized from XVWA

```
a:2:{i:0;s:4:"XXWA";i:1;s:33:"Xtreme Vulnerable Web Application";}
```

User input for Object

```
$varl=unserialize($_REQUEST['r']);
```

This mean

```
$varl=unserialize(a:2:{i:0;s:4:"XVWA";i:1;s:33:"Xtreme Vulnerable Web Application";});
```

Output from XVWA

```
echo "<br/>".$var1[0]." - ".$var1[1];
```

Getting Serialized for $\inf \operatorname{Serialized}$ for \$inject with class PHPObjectInjection

```
class PHPObjectInjection
{
   public $inject="system('whoami');";
}
$obj=new PHPObjectInjection();
var_dump(serialize($obj));
?>
```

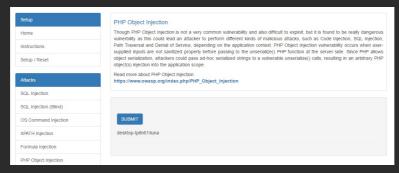
Result



PHP Object Injection for XVWA

http://localhost:8012/xvwa/vulnerabilities/php_object_injection/?r=0:18:%22PHPObjectInjection%22:1: (s:6:%22inject%22;s:17:%22system(%27whoami%27);%22;)

Result



Why system('whoami') work?

eval() allows string to code.

XSS - Reflected

Cross Site Scripting attacks abuse the browser's functionality to send malicious scripts to the client machine. In other words, this is client side attack. Cross Site Scripting attacks are generally be categorized into two categories: stored and reflected. In reflected attacks, the application reflects the malicious script back on the browser. The server doesn't store anything, rather just send back whatever user inputs, for instance, error messages, search results etc. Such attacks are campaigning via different routes such as emails, chats, or on third party web sites.

Read more about Reflected XSS

https://www.owasp.org/index.php/Types_of_Cross-Site_Scripting#Reflected_XSS_.28AKA_Non-Persistent or Type II.29

Vulnerability Discovery

Input

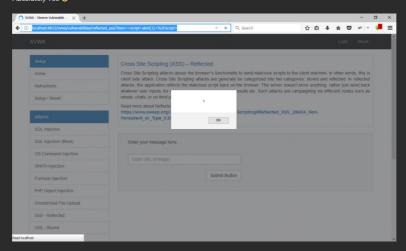
```
http://localhost:8012/xxvwa/vulnerabilities/reflected_xss/?item=abcde
```

Output

 $We got our input from server response. If we inject html or JavaScript code\ , the browser will render our input?\\$

http://localhost:8012/xvwa/vulnerabilities/reflected xss/2item=<script>alert(1)</script>

Absolutely Yes 😀

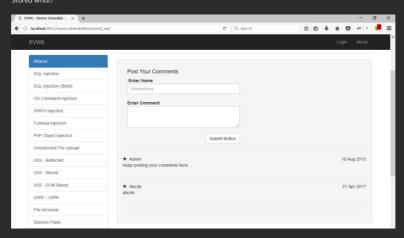


Stored Cross Site Scripting attacks happen when the application doesn't validate user inputs against malicious scripts, and it occurs when these scripts get stored on the database. Victim gets infected when they visit web page that loads these malicious scripts from database. For instances, message forum, comments page, visitor logs, profile page, etc.

Read more about Stored XSS

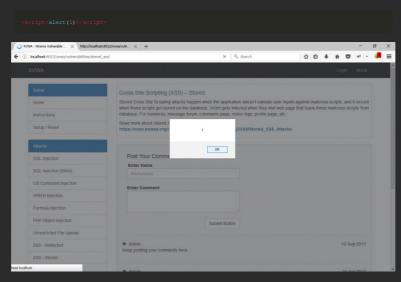
 $https://www.owasp.org/index.php/Cross-site_Scripting_(XSS) \#Stored_XSS_Attacks$

Stored what?



Sometime our input will stored due to some features. Then, its need to show output from database. But what happened if

Inject XSS payload to every inputs



XSS – DOM Based

DOM based XSS also known as "type-0 XSS" is a special contrast class in Cross Site Scripting category in which the malicious script is executed as a result of tampering the DOM environment objects. The attack triggers within the page, but with no need of requests/response pair.

Read more about DOM Based XSS

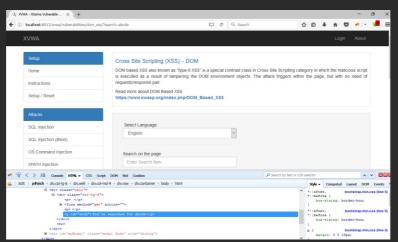
https://www.owasp.org/index.php/DOM_Based_XSS

Vulnerability Discovery

Input

http://localhost:8012/xvwa/vulnerabilities/dom_xss/?search=abcde

Output



Output is not showing in source code. But show in Inspect Element.

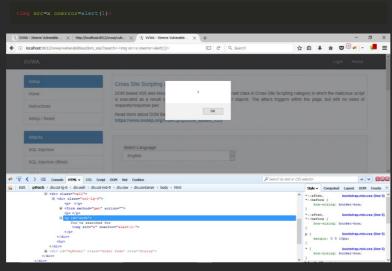
Why is this happening?

Our input is not maded by PHP or backend code. Its occur from JavaScript Code. So its not show in source code directly

and just only work in browser

This script start working while response reached to browser. What is this script mean?

When ?search found in URL , the input after ?search= will show in element that defined by id=srch. Not work <script>alert(1)</script> with latest firefox. We can easily use html tag for XSS purpose.



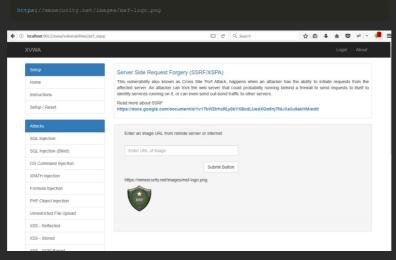
SSRF / XSPA

This vulnerability also known as Cross Site Port Attack, happens when an attacker has the ability to initiate requests from the affected server. An attacker can trick the web server that could probability running behind a firewall to send requests to itself to identify services running on it, or can even send out-bond traffic to other servers.

Read more about SSRF

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1v1TkWZtrhzRLy0bYXBcdLUedXGb9njTNIJXa3u9akHM/editable. The state of the control of the co

Vulnerability Discovery



Source Code Review

This code save image from url using file_get_contents() function. And then show output for our image URL.

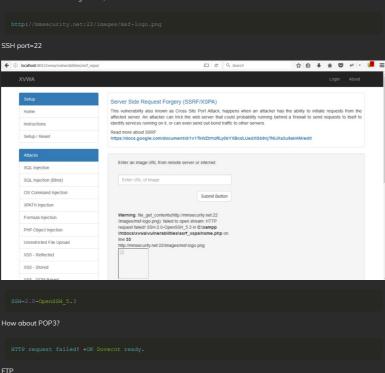
Invalid Input

```
https://mmsecurity.net/images/msf-logo.png'
```

We got this error

Warning: file_get_contents(https://mmsecurity.net/images/msf-logo.png*): failed to open stream: HTTP request failed! HTTP/1.1 404 Not Found in C:\xampp\htdocs\xvwa\vulnerabilities\ssrf_xspa\home.php on line 33

Its show HTTP version right? So , how about ssh?



File Inclusions

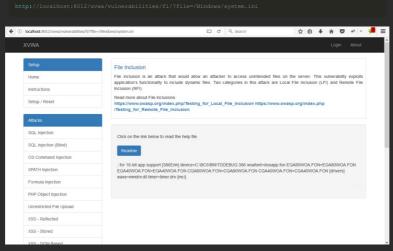
File inclusion is an attack that would allow an attacker to access unintended files on the server. This vulnerability exploits application's functionality to include dynamic files. Two categories in this attack are Local File Inclusion (LFI) and Remote File Inclusion (RFI).

Vulnerability Discovery

If a function execute to user input, single quotes or escape characters can cause error.

Error in File Inclusions

The function include() error for invalid file path. include() can work as file to code. How about another file in Machine?



I used Windows Machine, so i called /Windows/system.ini file. You can find /etc/passwd or other essentials file in Linux Machine.

Session Flaws

Web applications require better session management to keep tracking the state of application and it's users' activities. Insecure session management can leads to attacks such as session prediction, hijacking, fixation and replay attacks.

Read more about session management https://www.owasp.org/index.php/Session_Management_Cheat_Shee

Vulnerability Discovery

Logout Management

Session Hijacking

We can use XSS – Stored to steal cookie for session hijacking.

Insecure Direct Object Reference

This vulnerability happens when the application exposes direct objects to an internal resource, such as files, directory, keys etc. Such mechanisms could lead an attacker to predict objects that would refer to unauthorized resources as well.

Read more about Insecure Direct Object Reference

https://www.owasp.org/index.php/Testing_for_Insecure_Direct_Object_References_(OTG-AUTHZ-004)

When we select the item code $\mathbf{1}$, we got this value $\mathbf{1}$ as parameter value.

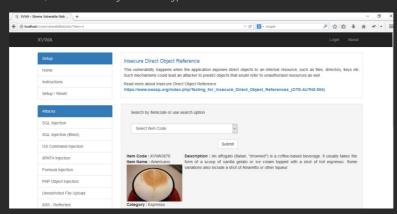
http://localhost/xvwa/vulnerabilities/idor/?item=1

Vulnerability Discovery

How about if we change the value of parameter? The content changed because of server response.

http://localhost/xvwa/vulnerabilities/idor/?item=2

In this case, the content will change to the following picture.

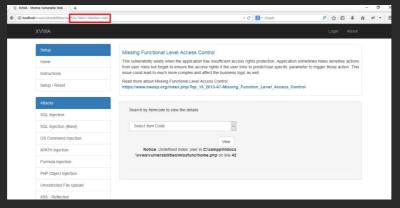


In XVWA, there is no credentials for IDOR vulnerability. So we can only change item. If you want to test with credential example, i prefer BWAPP IDOR section to change price using IDOR.

Miss Functional Level Access Control

This vulnerability exists when the application has insufficient access rights protection. Application sometimes hides sensitive actions from user roles but forget to ensure the access rights if the user tries to predict/use specific parameter to trigger those action. This issue could lead to much more complex and affect the business logic as well.

Read more about Missing Functional Level Access Control https://www.owasp.org/index.php/Top_10_2013-A7-Missing_Function_Level_Access_Control



We can only view item without admin's access.

By checking this code , we can't see the butoon to click. What is that mean? We can't delete?

Answer is NO. We can delete because this code only for hidden or not. Not depends on action to delete item. name="action" value="delete".



Cross Site Request Forgery

CSRF attacks are tricky to identify and exploit as it has certain requirements to fulfill before successful attack. Firstly, a victim has to be in active session, i.e., he should be already logged in. Secondly, an attacker should be able to predict the requests wherein CSRF issues exists and trick victim to click on it.

Login to the application before exploring this vulnerbility.

Read more about Cross Site Request Forgery (CSRF)
https://www.owasp.org/index.php/Cross-Site_Request_Forgery_(CSRF)

XVWA show for CSRF as password changing process. We need to login for changing our password. And then we changed. What we got?

```
http://localhost/xvwa/vulnerabilities/csrf/?passwd=abcde&confirm=abcde&submit=submit
```

We got the password value as URL parameter by using GET method. When we request this to server, the server will response password changed. How about other user? If they click this URL, they will send this request to server? Yes, So we need to force click to other users using Social Engineering or Cursor Jacking technique.

Simple Way

```
<a href="http://localhost/xvwa/vulnerabilities/csrf/?passwd=abcde&confirm=abcde&submit=submit">There is
Xmas Present for you</a>
```

You can also use Ajax Request for URL obfuscating. But take care of Same Origin Policy.

Cryptography

A developer should understand which cryptography should be suitable for each required modules in application, it can be encoding, encrypting or hashing. Insecure implementation of cryptography can leads to sensitive data leakage.

Read more about Cryptography https://www.owasp.org/index.php/Guide_to_Cryptography

 $In \ XVWA\ , \ cryptography\ is\ ony\ for\ knowledge.\ If\ we\ use\ weak\ cryptography,\ the\ attacker\ can\ decrypt\ our\ encrypted\ text.$

Result for "admin"

```
Crypto Used Value
Base64 Encode YWRtaW4=

AES Encryption
Key Size : 32 alvJeujxW7xtOmSkvExs2tz3zivEY74ymNE7rfVB4js=

MD5 Hashing without salt 21232f297a57a5a743894a0e4a801fc3

PBKDF2 with sha256 and 1000 iteration
(salt : hash) Z7cTBaVcmW2jGPLcfTEjD2gJwz3IGwpE : fUzq72eTiDEnqr3EFPS8UhU3zz872r+f
```

Based64 Encode

```
YWRtaW4=
```

We can easily detect = sign because we already know base64 use = sign for no binary representation as 24 bit alignment.

Md5 without salt ? Check the following link.

```
https://hashdecryption.com/h/md5/21232f297a57a5a743894a0e4a801fc3
```

Unvalidated Redirects & Forwards

Some applications use this functionalities to redirects and forward user to other web pages or other website. Such request with poor validation can allow an attacker to redirect legitimate users to phishing or malformed web pages.

Read more about Unvalidated Redirects and Forwards

 $https://www.owasp.org/index.php/Unvalidated_Redirects_and_Forwards_Cheat_Sheet$

```
http://localhost/xvwa/vulnerabilities/redirect/redirect.php?forward=https://www.owasp.org
```

By allowing URL redirect as a parameter for user input, we can change another malicious website or something.

```
http://localhost/xvwa/vulnerabilities/redirect/redirect.php?forward=http://location-href.com
```

Server Side Template Injection

Web application uses templates to make the web pages look more dynamic. Template Injection occurs when user input is embedded in a template in an unsafe manner. However in the initial observation, this vulnerability is easy to mistake for XSS attacks. But SSTI attacks can be used to directly attack web servers' internals and leverage the attack more complex such as running remote code execution and complete server compromise.

Read more about Server Side Template Injection (SSTI) http://blog.portswigger.net/2015/08/server-side-template-injection.html

The above Link is really useful. SSTI & Object Injection need to know source code.

```
Hints:

• Template Engline used is TWIG

• Loader function used = "Twig_Loader_String"

Enter Your Name

Submit Button
```

 $This \ exercise \ also \ included \ hints. \ Template \ Engine \ used \ is \ TWIG \ and \ loader \ function \ used = "Twiter_Loader_string".$

Dangerous callback in getFilter method , call_user_func(\$callback, \$name) .

I have tested to understand call_user_function(). Here is my code

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first argument as function & second parameter as string. In the Twig Template , He used registering callback argument as first parameter & getFilter use as string name.

