

XSS injection vulnerability exists in firstname parameter of /admin/employee\_add.php and /admin/employee.php file of Online Payroll System in PHP and MySQL Free Download A Comprehensive Guide

After modifying the value of firstname in the /admin/employee\_add.php, a JavaScript function will be displayed in the /admin/employee.php.

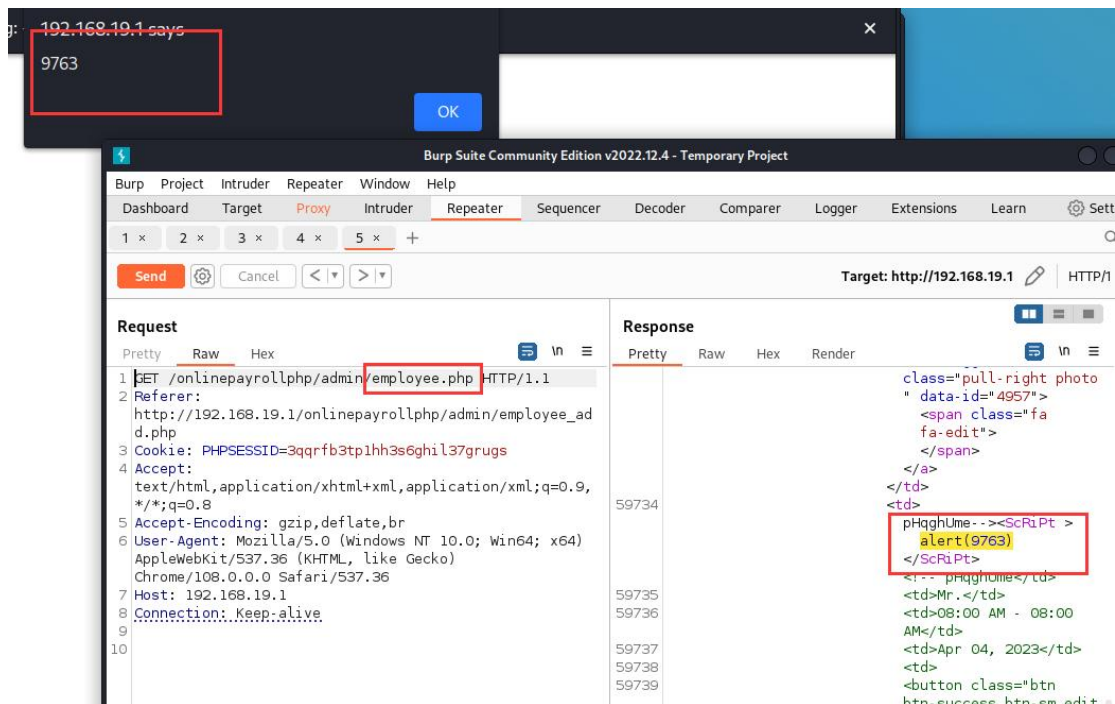
With XSS, cybercriminals can turn trusted websites into malicious ones, thus causing inordinate harm and damage not only to the victims but also to the reputation of the trusted website's owner.

Websites that are compromised by XSS can cause any number of threats to attack a user's system. This can involve anything from inappropriate content being displayed to malware being downloaded onto the system without the user knowing.

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4 if(isset($_POST['add'])){
5     $firstname = $_POST['firstname'];
6     $lastname = $_POST['lastname'];
7     $address = $_POST['address'];
8     $birthdate = $_POST['birthdate'];
9     $contact = $_POST['contact'];
10    $gender = $_POST['gender'];
11    $position = $_POST['position'];
12    $schedule = $_POST['schedule'];
13    $filename = $_FILES['photo']['name'];
14    if(!empty($filename)){
15        move_uploaded_file($_FILES['photo']['tmp_name'], '../images/'.$filename);
16    }
17    //creating employeeid
18    $letters = '';
19    $numbers = '';
20    foreach (range('A', 'Z') as $char) {
21        $letters .= $char;
22    }
23    for($i = 0; $i < 10; $i++){
24        $numbers .= $i;
25    }
26    $employee_id = substr(str_shuffle($letters), 0, 3).substr(str_shuffle($numbers), 0, 9);
27    //
28    $sql = "INSERT INTO employees (employee_id, $firstname, $lastname, $address, $birthdate, $contact, $gender, $position, $schedule, photo, created_on) VALUES ('$employee_id', '$firstname', '$lastname', '$address', '$birthdate', '$contact', '$gender', '$position', '$schedule', '$filename', now())";
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<?php
$sql = "SELECT *, employees.id AS empid FROM employees LEFT JOIN position ON position.id=employees.position_id LEFT JOIN
schedules ON schedules.id=employees.schedule_id";
$query = $conn->query($sql);
while($row = $query->fetch_assoc()){
    ?>
    <tr>
    <td><?php echo $row['employee_id']; ?></td>
    <td> <a href="#edit_photo" data-toggle="modal" class="pull-right photo" data-id="<?php echo $row[
'empid']; ?>"><span class="fa fa-edit"></span></a></td>
    <td><?php echo $row['$firstname']; ?> <?php echo $row['$lastname']; ?></td>
```

The image shows a web browser window with a JavaScript alert box displaying the value "9763". Below the browser window is a screenshot of Burp Suite Community Edition v2022.12.4. The interface shows the "Repeater" tab with a list of requests. The selected request is an HTTP/1.1 GET request to http://192.168.19.1. The request body contains a JavaScript payload: `<script>alert(9763)</script>`. The response shows the server's status, including the date, time, and server information. The response body contains the text: `location: employee.php`.



Payload:

Content-Disposition: form-data; name="firstname"

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