

## SQL Injection

In the lab I will explore SQL injection with a DVWA (<http://10.6.6.13/>) website that is vulnerable from Low to High security.

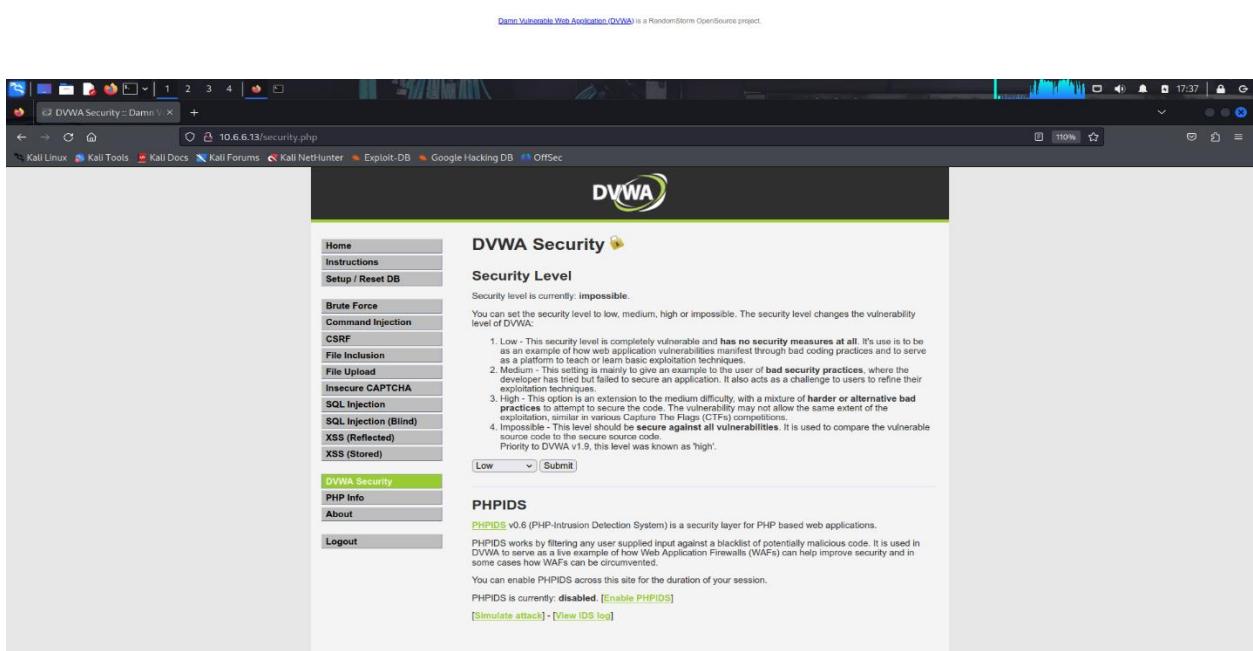
SQL injection (SQLi) is a web security vulnerability that allows an attacker to interfere with the queries an application makes to its database. It is a code injection technique where malicious SQL statements are inserted into user-input fields (like login forms or search bars) and then executed by the backend database

in the screenshot below I log into the dvwa website, and I changed the security levels to low



Username

Password



in the screenshot below I input '**OR 1=1#**' to see if the input fields permit execution of SQL

statements that are entered and the output below confirms that there is a vulnerability present that permits execution of SQL statements that are entered directly into input fields. I entered an “always true” expression that was executed by the database server. The result is that all entries in the ID field of the database were returned.

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ID	First name	Surname
1	admin	admin
2	Gordon	Brown
3	Hack	Me
4	Pablo	Picasso
5	Bob	Smith

Below the table, under More Information, is a list of links related to SQL injection:

- <http://www.securityteam.com/securityreviews/SQLINJECTION.html>
- [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/SQL\\_Injection](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/SQL_Injection)
- [http://www.owasp.org/index.php/SQL\\_injection\\_cheat\\_sheet](http://www.owasp.org/index.php/SQL_injection_cheat_sheet)
- <http://openmonkey.net/cheat-sheet/sql-injection/mysql-set-injection-cheat-sheet>
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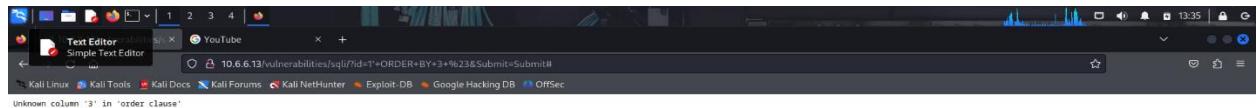
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- <http://openmonkey.net/cheat-sheet/sql-injection/mysql-set-injection-cheat-sheet>
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In the User ID: field I type **1' ORDER BY 2 #** and click Submit and get this output below.

The screenshot shows a Firefox browser window with the URL <http://10.6.6.13/vulnerabilities/sql/?id=1' ORDER BY 2#&Submit=Submit#>. The DVWA logo is at the top. The main content area displays the title "Vulnerability: SQL Injection". In the "User ID" field, the value "1' ORDER BY 2#" is entered. Below the form, a "More Information" section lists several links related to SQL injection. At the bottom, it shows "Username: admin", "Security Level: low", and "PHPIDS: disabled".

Again, In the User ID: field I type **1' ORDER BY 3 #** and click Submit. This time I received the error Unknown column '3' in 'order clause'. Because the third string returned an error, this tells me the query involves two fields.

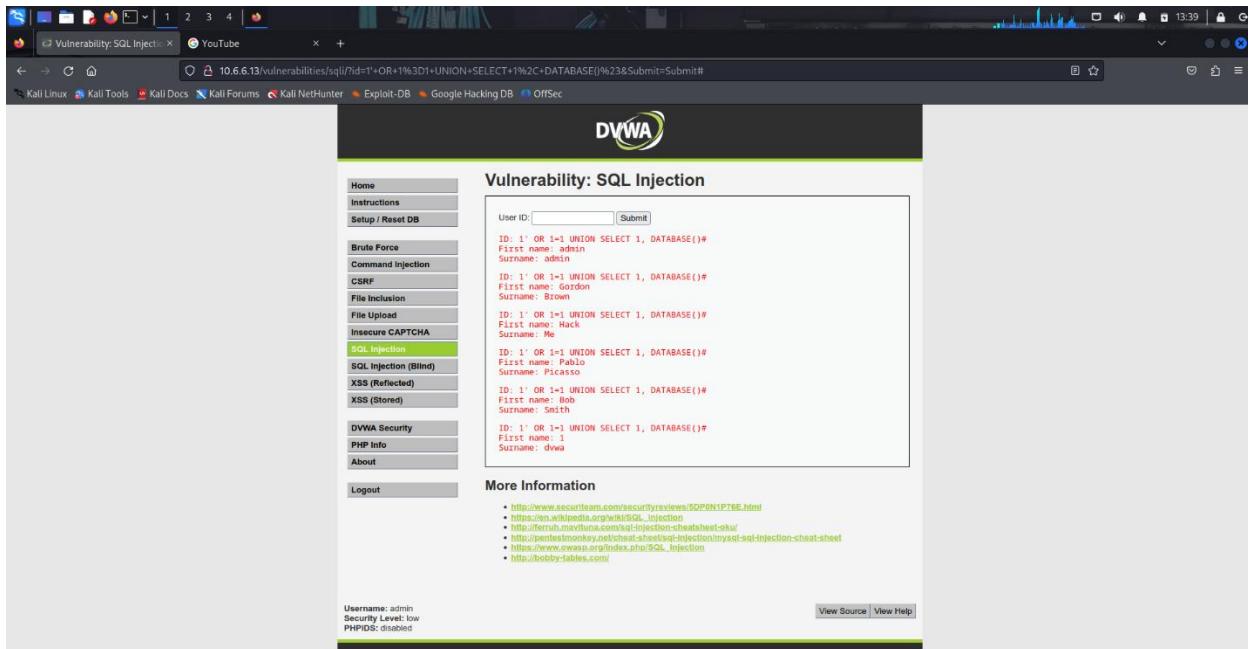
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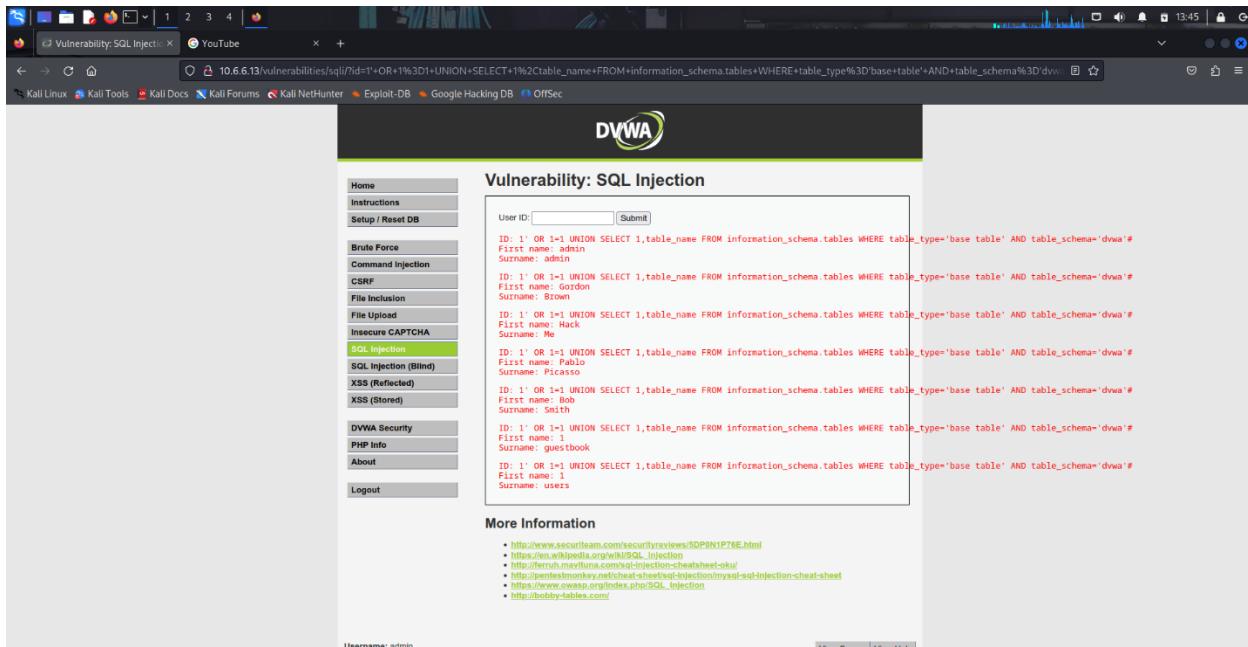
In the screenshot below I check for version Database Management System (DBMS) by typing In the User ID: field **1' OR 1=1 UNION SELECT 1, VERSION ()#** and click Submit. The output below with **5.5.58-0+deb8u1** indicates the DBMS is MySQL version 5.5.58 running on Debian.

User ID	First name	Surname
ID: 1' OR 1=1 UNION SELECT 1, VERSION ()#	admin	admin
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In the screenshot below I determine the database name. So far, I have uncovered that the database is vulnerable, the query involves two fields, and the DDMS is MySQL 5.5.58. Next, you will attempt to obtain more schema information about the database. In the User ID: field I type **1' OR 1=1 UNION SELECT 1, DATABASE()#** and click Submit. This means the name of the database is dvwa as shown in the last part of the screenshot below.

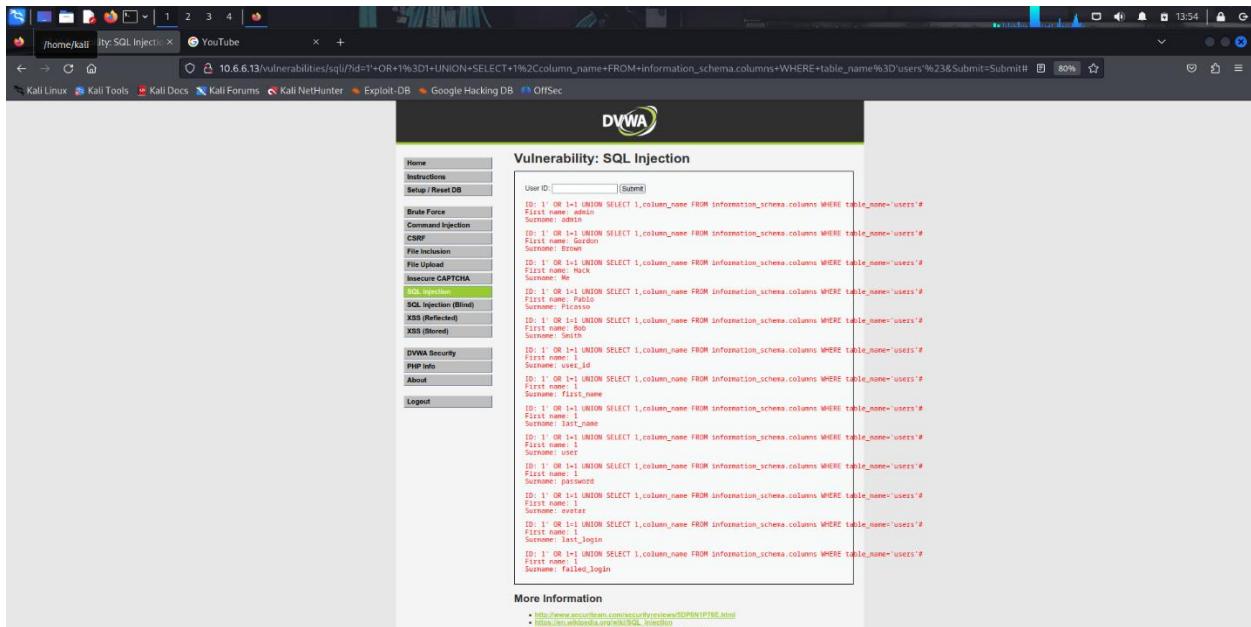


The next step is for me to retrieve table Names from the dvwa database. In the User ID: field I type: **'1' OR 1=1 UNION SELECT 1,table\_name FROM information\_schema.tables WHERE table\_type='base table' AND table\_schema='dvwa'** and click Submit. The output with **First Name: 1** below is the table information. So, I have uncovered that the dvwa database has 2 tables which are **Users** and **Guestbook**.

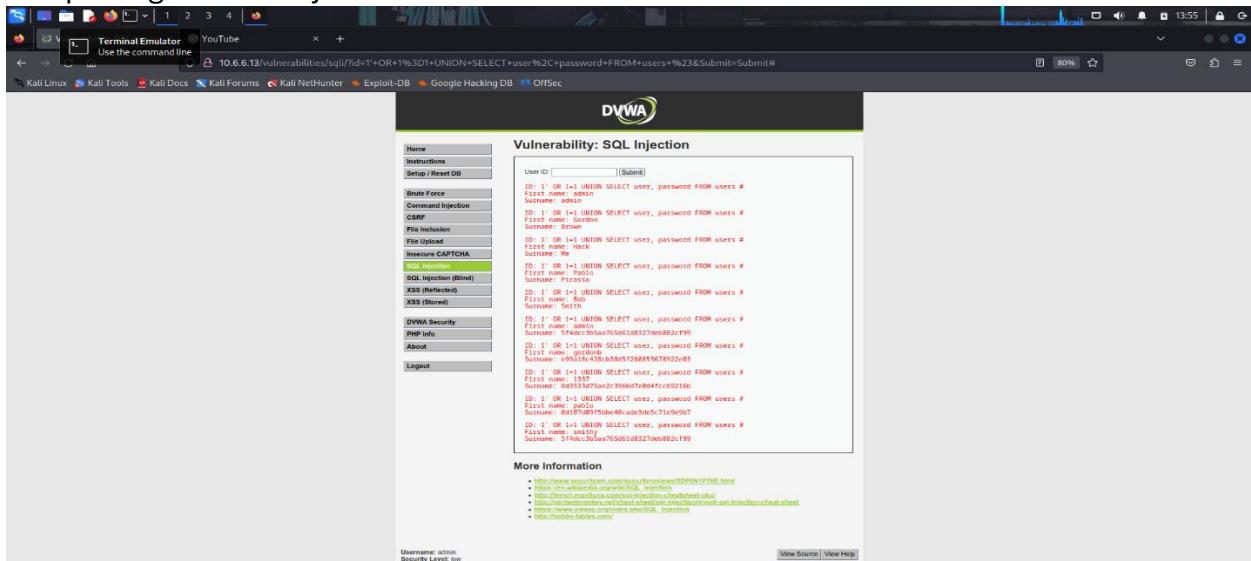


Now that I know which tables are there, I will try to retrieve column names from the users table. I will now discover the field names on the users table. So, In the User ID: field I type:1'

**OR 1=1 UNION SELECT 1,column\_name FROM information\_schema.columns WHERE table\_name='users'**# and submit. After the user accounts are displayed, the column names appear. For my penetration test, I am specifically interested in the information contained in two of these columns because the user column and the password column seem to contain information that can be used for unauthorized access. As a Pentester this is some critically important information.



now that I know what users are there, I can Retrieve the user credentials. This query will retrieve the users and passwords. In the User ID: field I type **1' OR 1=1 UNION SELECT user, password FROM users #** and submit. After the list of users, I see several results with usernames and what appears to be password hashes. In the screenshot below the account that I am most interested in would be the admin because it probably has the greatest rights and privileges on the system.



The last step in to Hack the password hashes. I open another browser tab and navigate to <https://crackstation.net>, CrackStation is a free online password hash cracker. I copy and paste the password hash from DVWA into CrackStation and click Crack Hashes and uncover the password is password. Now that is know the password of the admin I can login into the database as the admin and do anything like add or delete users in the database as I will have previledge rights.

The screenshot shows a Firefox browser window with two tabs: "Vulnerability: SQL Injecte..." and "CrackStation - Online Pa...". The main content is the CrackStation website. At the top, it says "CrackStation" and "Free Password Hash Cracker". Below that is a text input field labeled "Enter up to 20 non-salted hashes, one per line:" containing the hash "5f4dcc3b5aa765d61d8327deb802cf99". To the right is a reCAPTCHA checkbox and a "Crack Hashes" button. Below the input field, it says "Supports: LM, NTLM, md2, md4, md5, md5(md5\_hex), md5-hair, sha1, sha224, sha256, sha384, sha512, ripemd160, whirlpool, MySQL 4.1+(sha1(sh1\_bin)), Quiebe93.188cku0D9fbuRS". A table below shows the hash "5f4dcc3b5aa765d61d8327deb802cf99" with a green background, indicating an exact match. The table has columns "Hash", "Type", and "Result". The "Hash" column contains "5f4dcc3b5aa765d61d8327deb802cf99", the "Type" column contains "md5", and the "Result" column contains "password". Below the table, it says "Color Codes: Green Exact match, Yellow Partial match, Red Not found." At the bottom, there's a link to "Download CrackStation's Wordlist" and a section titled "How CrackStation Works" with some technical details.