

FUTURE_CS_01

Web Application Security Testing

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Tools Used: OWASP ZAP 2.14.0

Attacking machine : Kali Linux

Target :- <http://testphp.vulnweb.com>

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1. Executive Summary

A penetration test was conducted on <http://testphp.vulnweb.com> using OWASP ZAP to simulate a real-world attack. The goal was to identify common vulnerabilities, understand their impact, and recommend mitigation measures.

Key Findings:

- Multiple instances of SQL Injection vulnerabilities.
- Reflected XSS present in search and input forms.

Overall Risk Rating: HIGH (Due to exploitable authentication bypass and SQLi).

2. Methodology

The test followed the OWASP Web Security Testing Guide (WSTG):

1. Reconnaissance & Mapping - Enumerated endpoints with OWASP ZAP Spider.
2. Automated Vulnerability Scanning - Active Scan against identified parameters.
3. Manual Validation - Verified findings by crafting custom payloads.
4. Proof of Concept (PoC) - Captured evidence and impact scenarios.

Scope:

- Base URL: <http://testphp.vulnweb.com>

3. Detailed Vulnerability Analysis

3.1 SQL Injection (High)

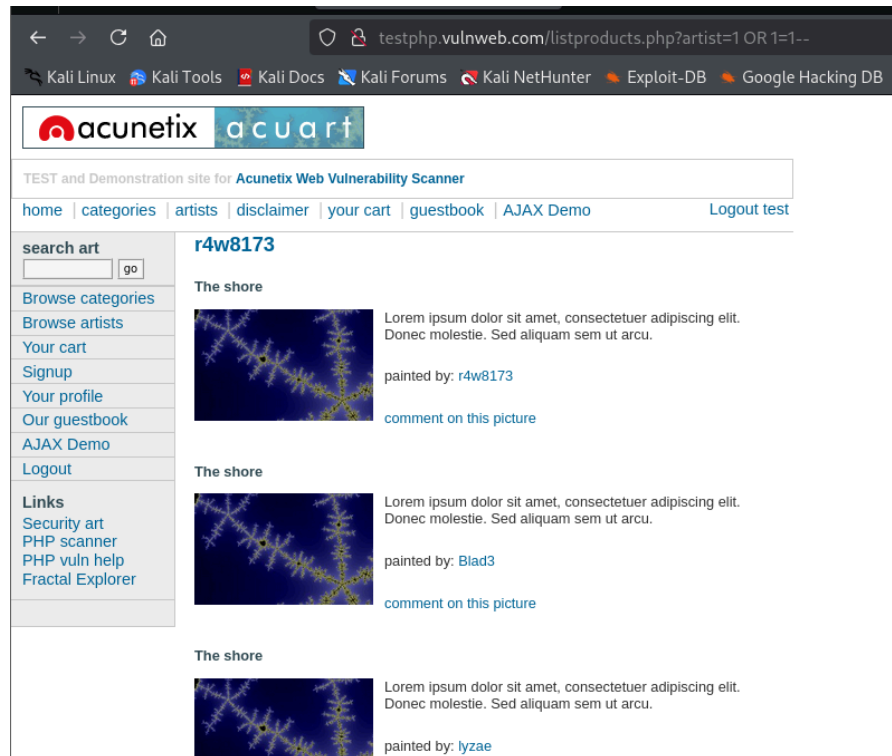
Description: Input fields in the SQLi module fail to sanitize user input in url.

Impact: Attackers can extract or modify database contents.

Proof of Concept: <http://testphp.vulnweb.com/listproducts.php?artist=1 OR 1=1-->

Evidence: OWASP ZAP flagged 'SQL Injection' on parameter id in GET requests.

Mitigation: Use prepared statements and parameterized queries and validate user inputs.



Manual injection in URL to show all the artists from database.

3.2 DOM Based XSS (High)

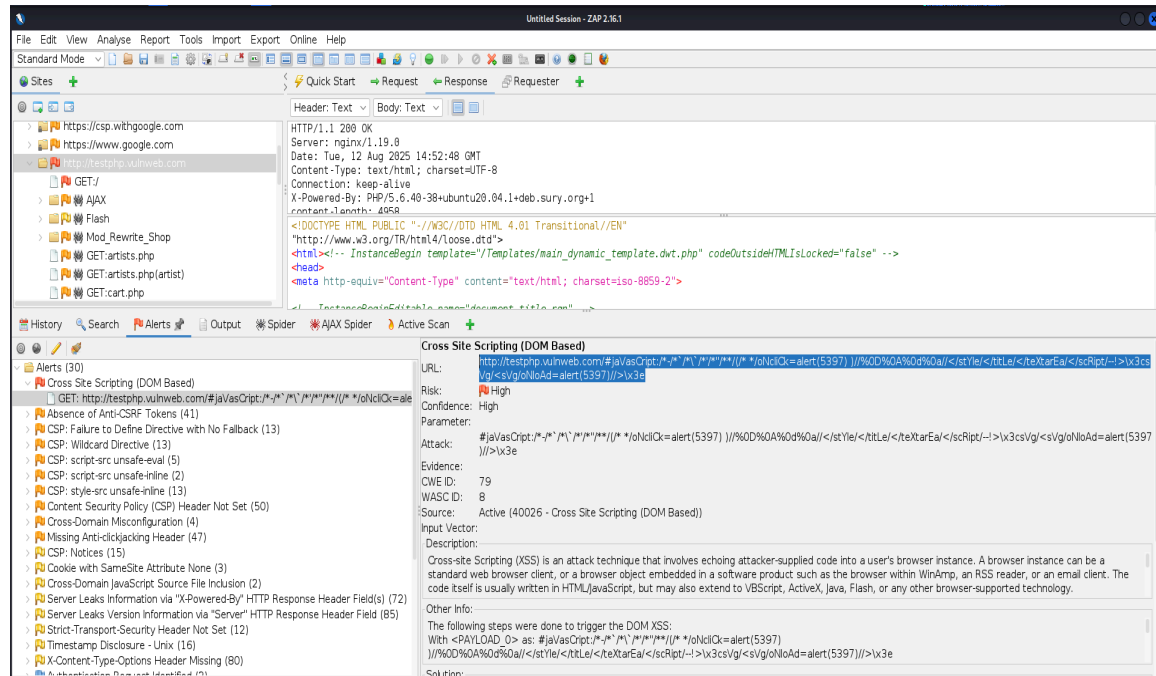
Description: Search input reflects unsanitized user input directly into HTML output.

Impact: Allows execution of arbitrary JavaScript in victim browsers.

Proof of Concept: `http://testphp.vulnweb.com/#jaVaScRipt:/*-/*/*\`/*'/*"/**/(/*
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 lert(5397)//>\x3e`

Evidence: Payload executed successfully in browser.

Mitigation: Encode all output, validate input, implement CSP.



4. Recommendations

- Enforce input validation and output encoding.
- Implement prepared statements for all database queries.
- Introduce CSRF protection mechanisms.
- Limit error message verbosity.
- Remove or obfuscate server version headers.