# COMP – 357

# ATTACK REPORT

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# Exercise 1 — OWASP Juice Shop

**Attack 1: DOM-Based Cross-Site Scripting (XSS)**

**Overview**

This section documents a controlled demonstration of a DOM-based Cross-Site Scripting (XSS) vulnerability in OWASP Juice Shop. The objective is to show how unsafe client-side handling of user input can lead to script execution in the browser, and to provide clear evidence to support later mitigation validation.

**Scope**

Testing was performed only against a locally deployed OWASP Juice Shop training instance within an isolated lab environment. No external systems, real accounts, or production data were involved.

**Threat Scenario**

A web application processes user-supplied input in the browser without adequate sanitization or output encoding. An attacker uses this weakness to inject scripts that execute in a victim's session. In real-world environments, this can enable session abuse, content manipulation, or user redirection depending on application context and protections.

**Target Environment**

- Application: OWASP Juice Shop
- Deployment: Docker on Kali VM
- Access URL: http://localhost:3000

**Tools Used**

- Web browser

**Execution Steps**

1. Accessed the Juice Shop application at: http://localhost:3000
2. Located the Search input on the main interface.

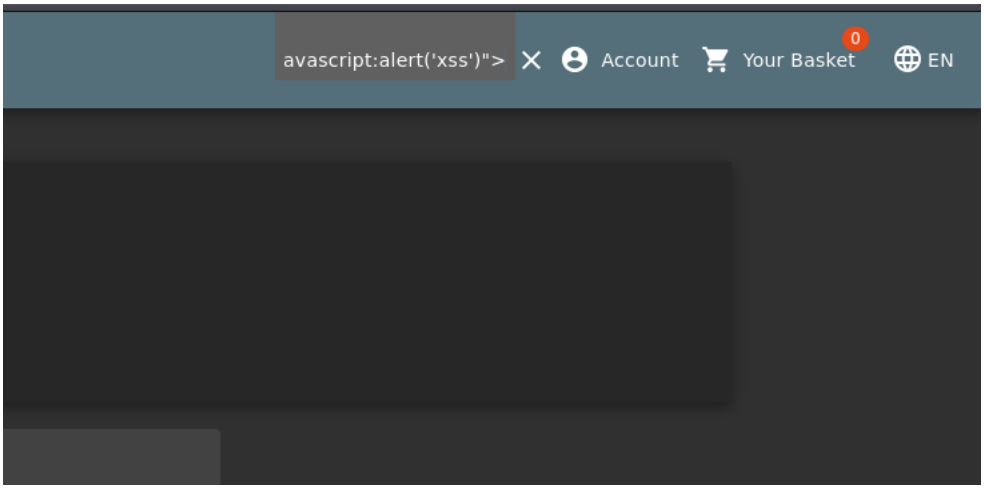
3. Entered the following XSS test payload into the search field:

   <iframe src="javascript:alert('xss')">

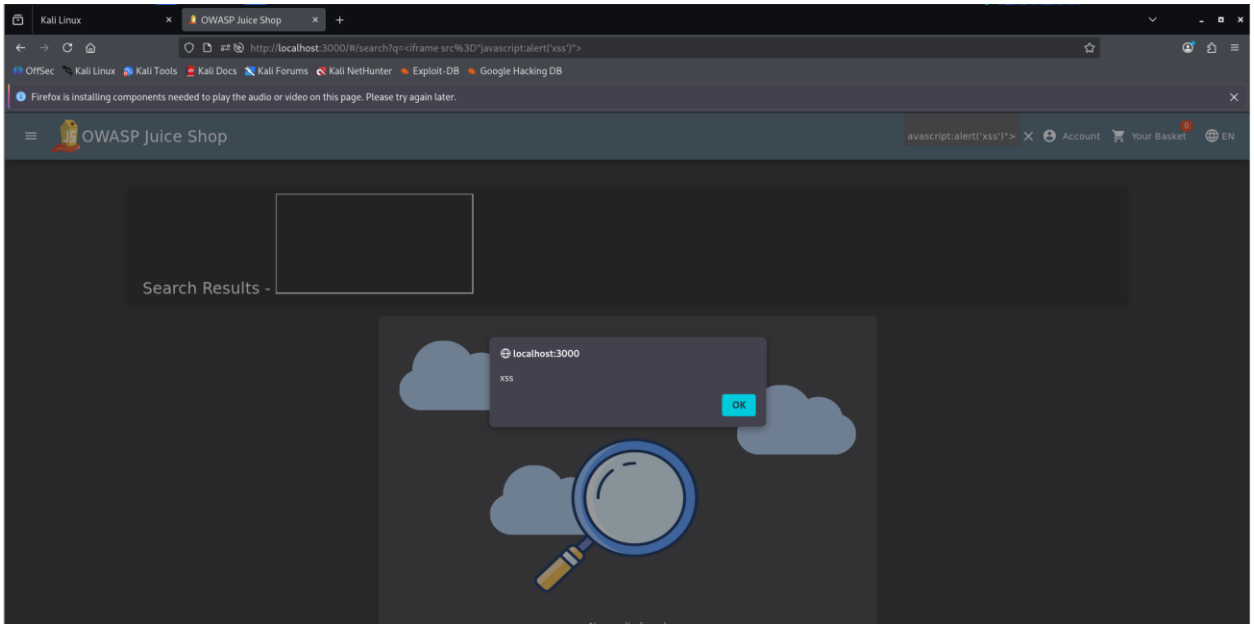
4. Submitted the search request.
5. Observed a browser alert displaying xss, confirming that injected script content executed in the client-side context.

**Evidence**

- **Search field showing the injected payload.**




- **Browser alert confirming script execution.**



**Result**

The application’s client-side search handling allowed injected input to execute as script, demonstrating a DOM-based XSS condition within the training environment.

**Real-World Security Impact**

In a production-equivalent system, this class of vulnerability could allow an attacker to execute arbitrary JavaScript in user sessions, potentially enabling account abuse, UI manipulation, malicious redirection, or exploitation of trust relationships between the application and its users.

**Reproducibility**

This result can be reproduced by deploying Juice Shop using the provided Docker configuration and repeating the search input steps with the payload listed above.

**Attack 2: Broken Access Control (IDOR via Basket Identifier)**

**Overview**

This section documents a controlled demonstration of broken access control within OWASP Juice Shop. The objective is to show how insecure direct object references (IDOR) can allow access to resources outside the current user's authorization scope when client-exposed identifiers are manipulated.

**Scope**

Testing was performed only against a locally deployed OWASP Juice Shop training instance within an isolated lab environment. No external systems, real accounts, or production data were involved.

**Threat Scenario**

A web application exposes internal object identifiers to the client without enforcing server-side authorization checks for each request. An attacker modifies these identifiers to access or interact with resources belonging to other users. In real-world applications, this can lead to data disclosure, unauthorized transactions, or privacy violations.

**Target Environment**

- Application: OWASP Juice Shop
- Deployment: Docker on Kali VM
- Access URL: http://localhost:3000

**Tools Used**

- Web browser (Developer Tools)

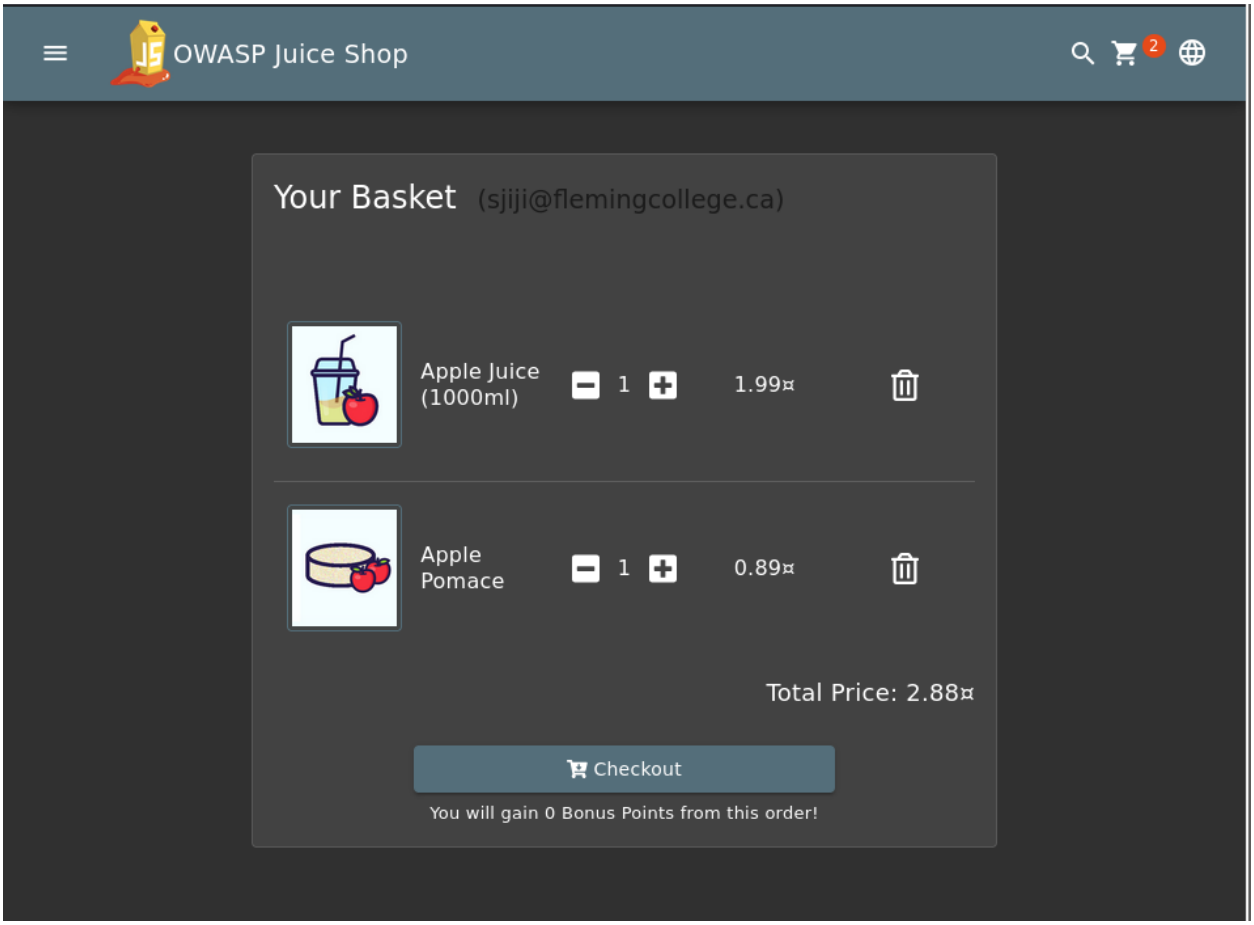
**Execution Steps**

1. Accessed the application at:
   http://localhost:3000
2. Logged in as a standard user.
3. Added items to the basket to ensure a basket object was created.
4. Navigated to the basket page:
   http://localhost:3000/#/basket

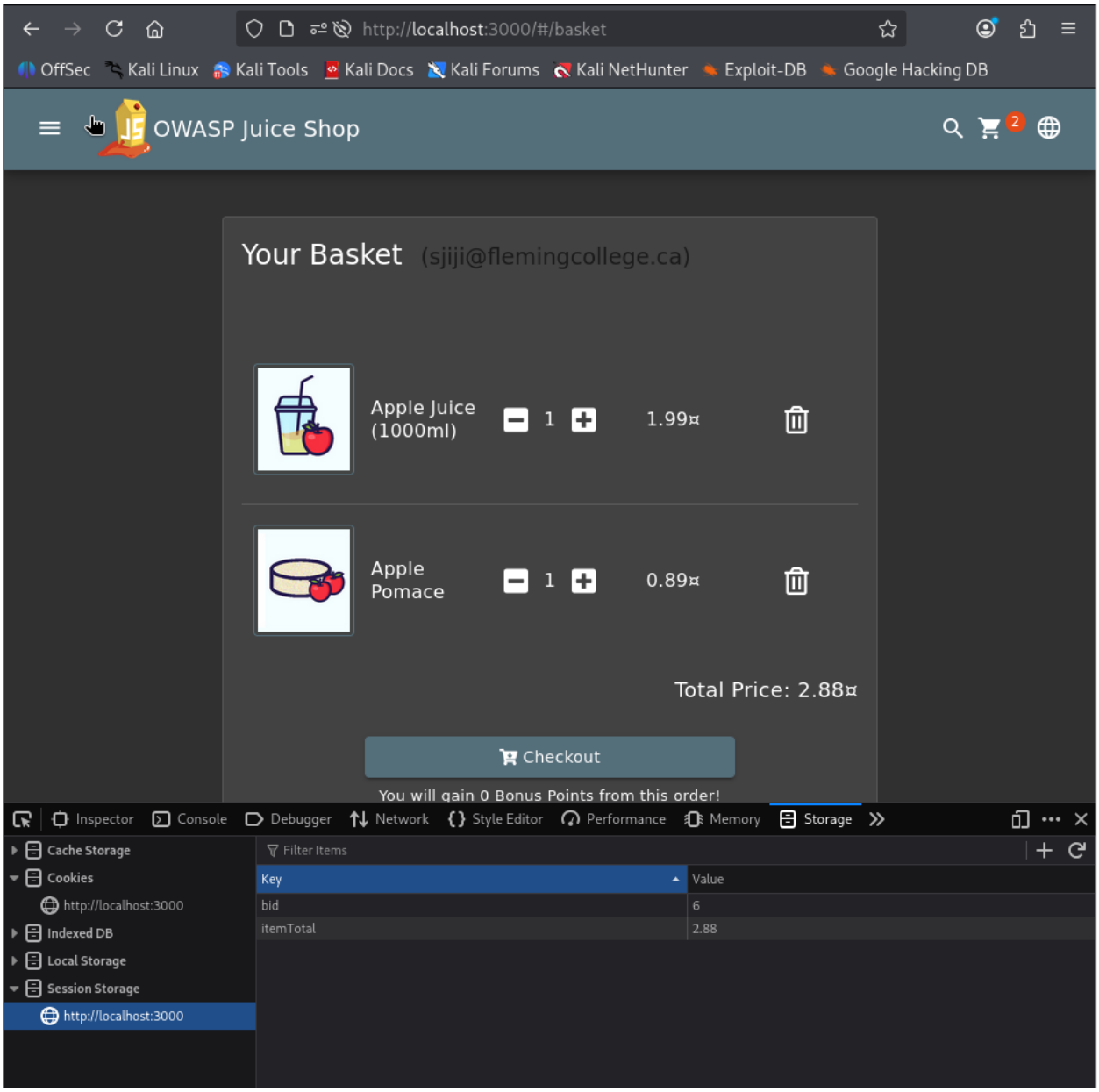
5. Opened Developer Tools and located the basket identifier in:
   Session Storage - http://localhost:3000
6. Identified the key:
   bid
7. Modified the bid value (incremented/decremented) to reference a different basket ID.
8. Reloaded the basket page to observe the authorization outcome.

**Evidence**

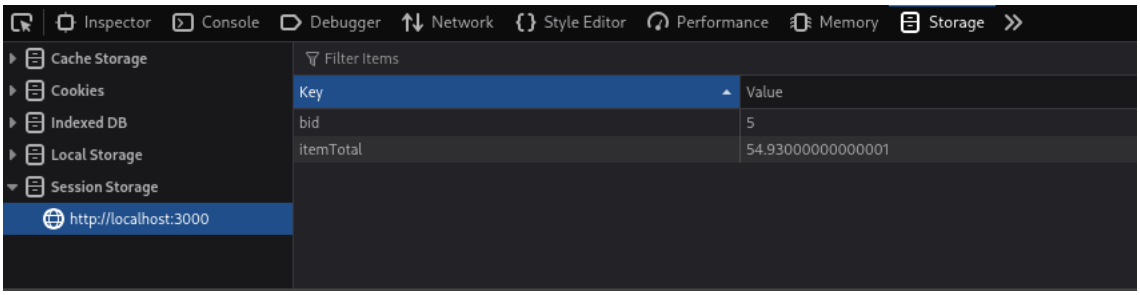
- Basket page showing the normal user basket context.



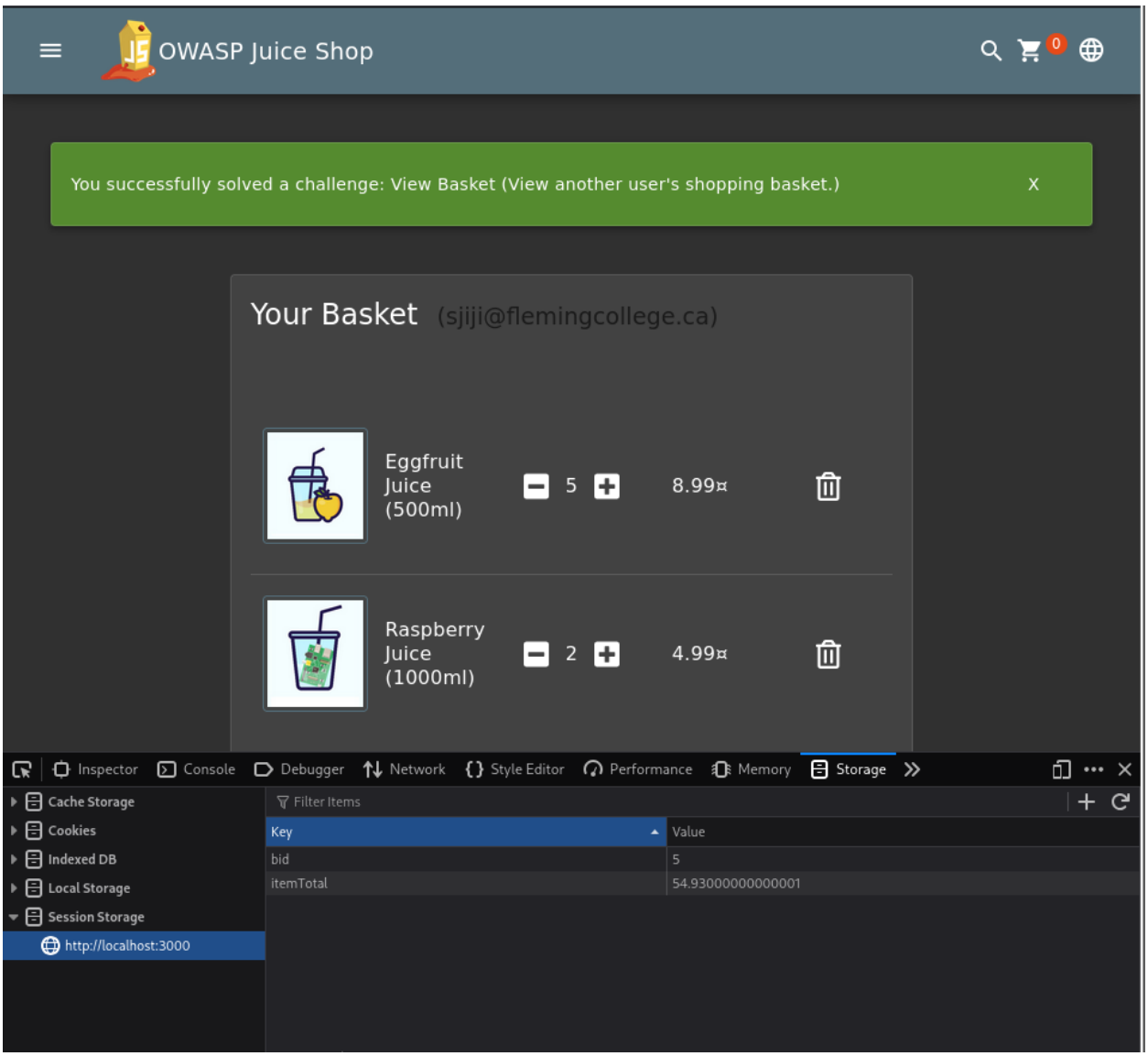
- Session Storage view displaying the original bid.



- Session Storage view showing the modified bid.




- Basket page outcome after bid manipulation (demonstrating access beyond intended authorization).



**Result**

Manipulating the client-exposed basket identifier (bid) changed the server-side basket context presented to the user. This demonstrates an IDOR-style broken access control condition in the training application.

**Real-World Security Impact**

In a production-equivalent system, this weakness could allow an attacker to access or modify another user's shopping cart or related account resources. This may lead to privacy violations, unauthorized purchases, data integrity issues, and loss of user trust.

**Reproducibility**

This result can be reproduced by deploying Juice Shop using the provided Docker configuration, logging in as a standard user, adding items to a basket, and then modifying the bid value in Session Storage before reloading the basket page.

**Attack 3: Broken Authentication (SQL Injection-Based Login Bypass)**

**Overview**

This section documents a controlled demonstration of a broken authentication weakness in OWASP Juice Shop. The objective is to show how unsafe input handling in an authentication workflow can allow an attacker to bypass login controls and gain unauthorized access.

**Scope**

Testing was performed only against a locally deployed OWASP Juice Shop training instance within an isolated lab environment. No external systems, real accounts, or production data were involved.

**Threat Scenario**

An application fails to properly validate or sanitize authentication inputs and relies on unsafe query logic or insecure input handling. An attacker can manipulate the login process to bypass credential checks and authenticate without a valid password. In real-world applications, this can lead to unauthorized access, data exposure, and administrative compromise.

**Target Environment**

- Application: OWASP Juice Shop
- Deployment: Docker on Kali VM
- Access URL: http://localhost:3000

**Tools Used**

- Web browser

**Execution Steps**

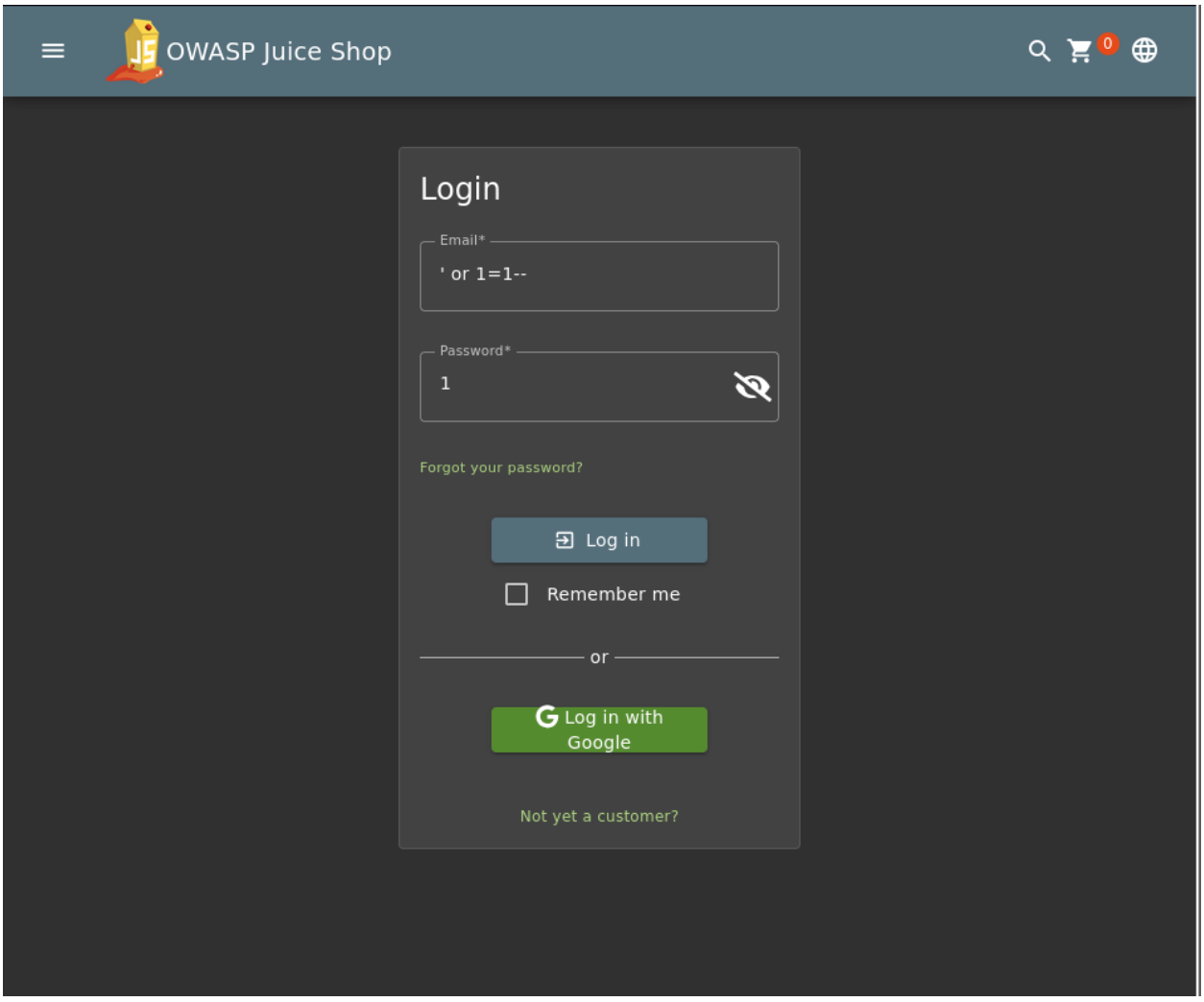
1. Accessed the login page at:
   http://localhost:3000/#/login
2. In the email field, entered the following authentication bypass input:

   ' or 1=1--
3. Entered any value in the password field.

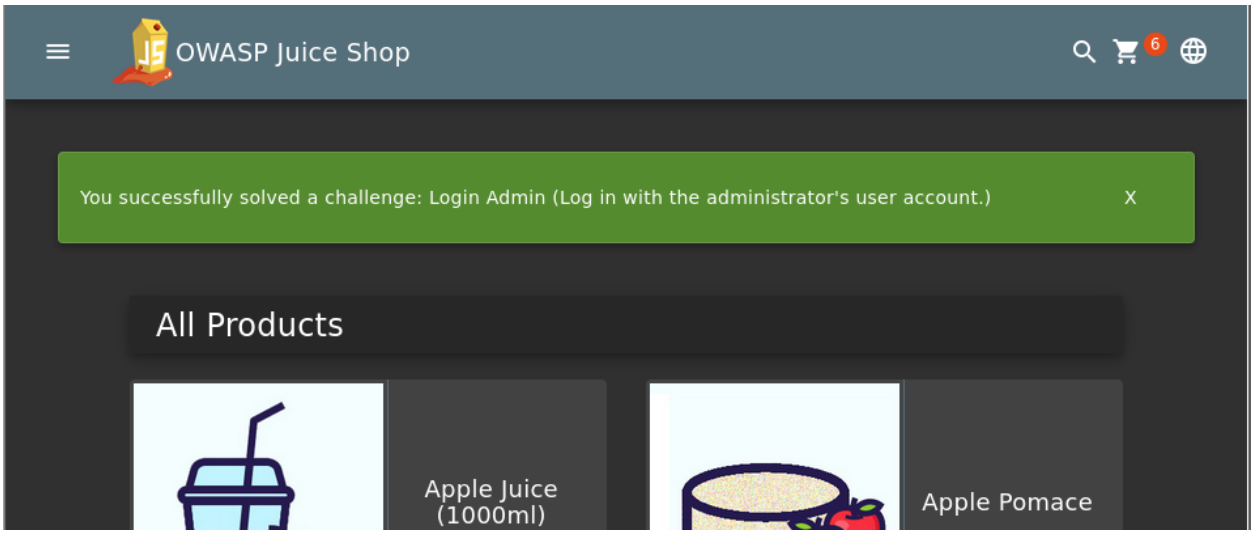
4. Submitted the login request.
5. Observed successful unauthorized authentication. In the Juice Shop training dataset, this behavior resulted in access to the first matching user context, which represents an administrative-level session in this lab scenario.

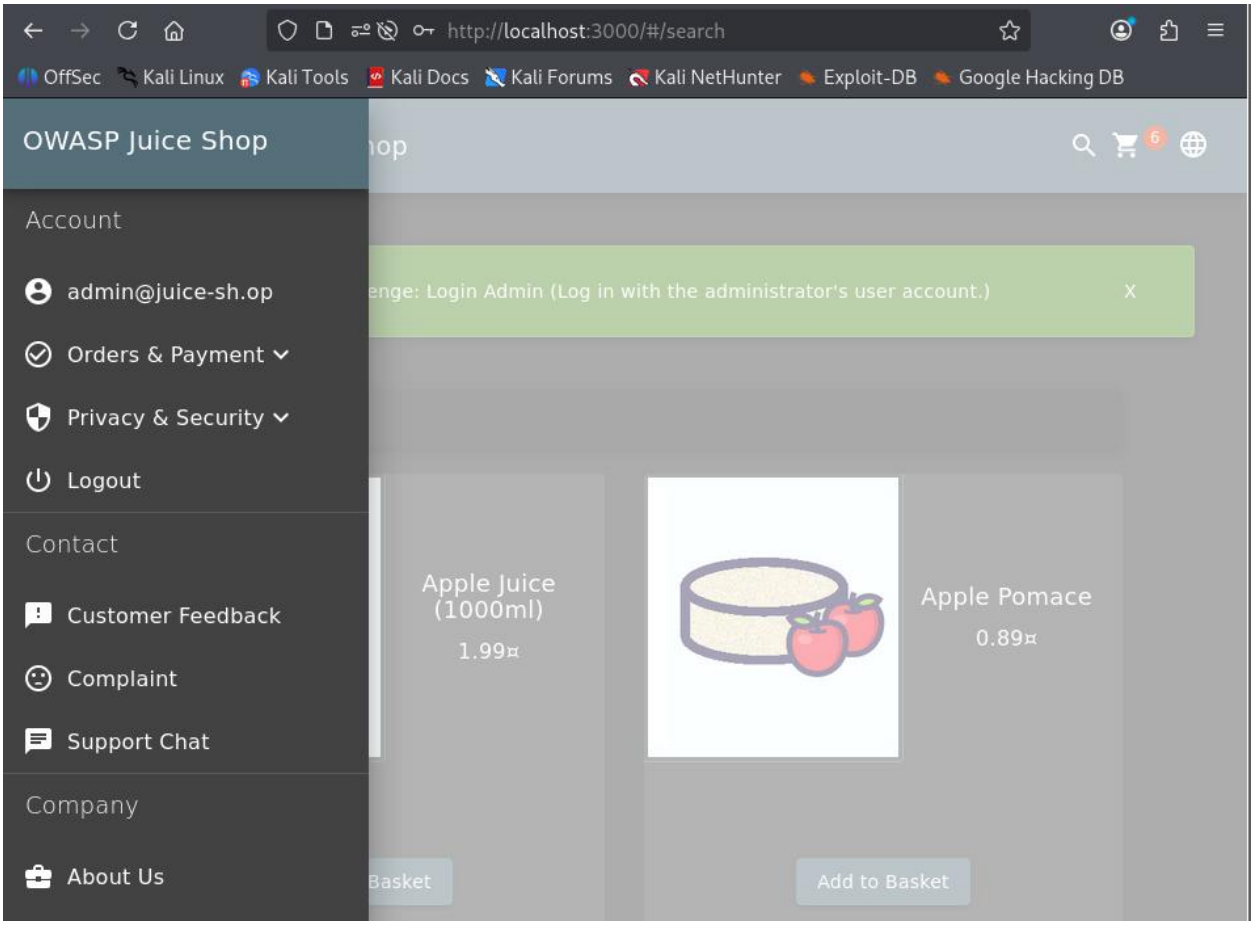
**Evidence**

- Login page showing the injection-style input in the email field.



- Post-login state indicating successful unauthorized/admin-level access.



**Result**

The application accepted crafted input in the authentication workflow and granted access without valid credentials for the intended privileged user context. This demonstrates a broken authentication condition in the training environment.

**Real-World Security Impact**

In a production-equivalent system, an authentication bypass of this type could allow attackers to compromise user or administrative accounts, access sensitive data, and perform unauthorized actions. This may lead to data breaches, fraud, and loss of trust in the application's security controls.

**Reproducibility**

This result can be reproduced by deploying Juice Shop using the provided Docker configuration and repeating the login steps above with the documented input.

# Exercise 2 - Kerberoasting

## Attack : Kerberoasting – Service Account Credential Recovery

### Overview

This section documents a controlled demonstration of a Kerberoasting attack against an Active Directory lab environment. The objective was to show how weak service account passwords can be recovered by requesting Kerberos service tickets and performing offline cracking. This highlights how legacy password policies and insecure configurations can expose service accounts to compromise and potential privilege escalation.

### Scope

Testing was performed only against a locally deployed Windows Active Directory lab domain (lab.local) within an isolated environment. No external systems, real accounts, or production data were involved. The demonstration was limited to enumeration, ticket extraction, offline password cracking, and authentication with the recovered credentials.

### Threat Scenario

Kerberos authentication relies on service accounts registered with Service Principal Names (SPNs). Attackers can request service tickets for these accounts and extract the encrypted portion of the ticket. If the service account uses a weak password, the ticket can be cracked offline to recover the plaintext password. In real-world environments, this can lead to unauthorized access, lateral movement, and escalation to domain administrator privileges.

### Target Environment

- Domain: lab.local
- Domain Controller: Windows Server 2012 R2 Standard Evaluation
- Attacker Machine: Kali Linux
- Lab User: User1
- Service Account: svcweb (Service web)

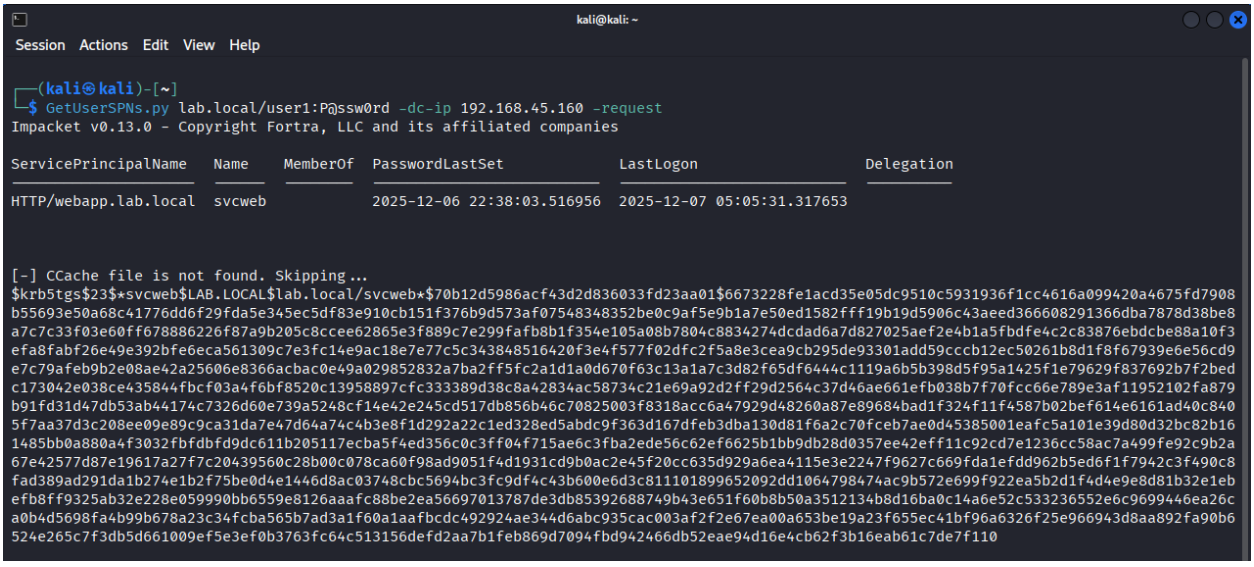
- SPN: HTTP/webapp.lab.local
- Tools Used: Impacket, John the Ripper, smbclient (for authentication testing)

**Execution Steps**

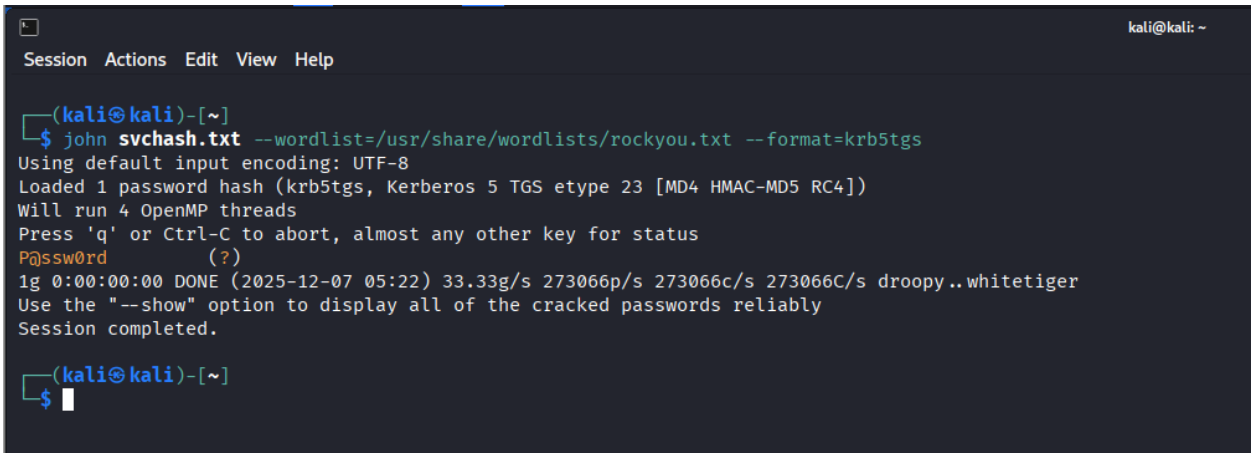
1. Enumerated service accounts with SPNs using Impacket.
    - Identified service account svcweb with SPN HTTP/webapp.lab.local.
    - Extracted the Kerberos TGS ticket hash in a crackable format.
2. Saved the extracted hash into a file for offline cracking.
3. Cracked the ticket offline using John the Ripper.
    - Successfully recovered the plaintext password for svcweb (lab-only credential).
4. Authenticated with the recovered credentials via SMB.
    - Verified successful login and ability to enumerate shares, demonstrating unauthorized access with the cracked service account.

**Evidence**

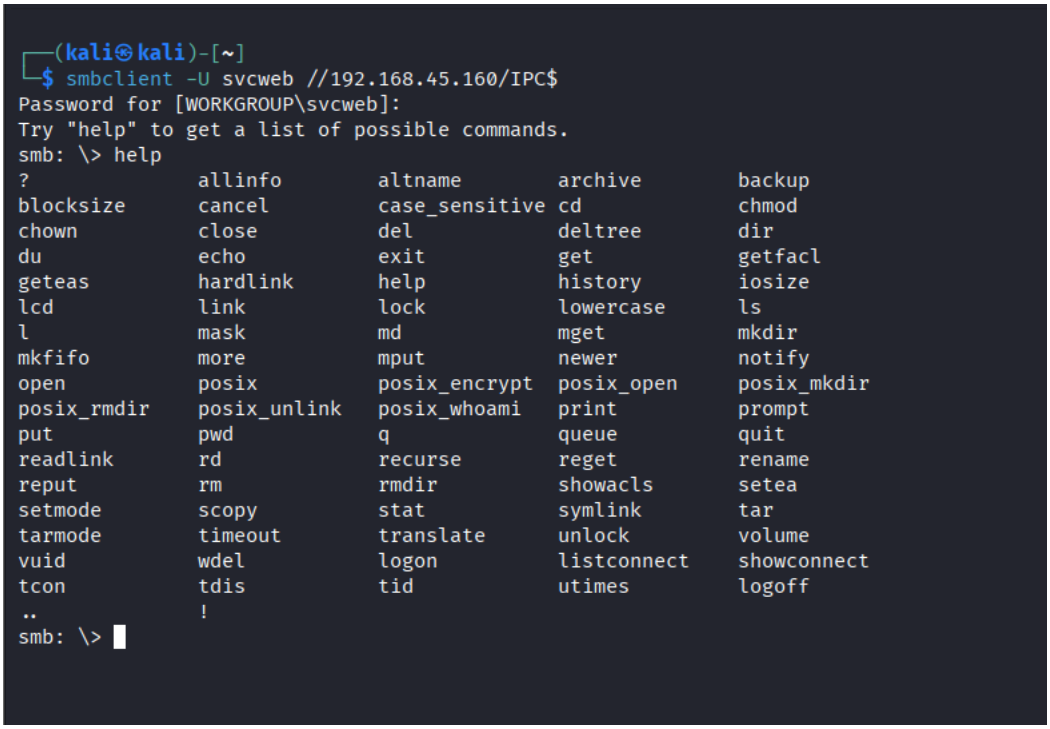
- Output showing SPN enumeration and extracted Kerberos hash for svcweb.



- John the Ripper output revealing the recovered lab-only password.




- smbclient session showing successful authentication with svcweb.




**Result**

The Kerberoasting attack successfully recovered the password of the svcweb service account. Authentication with these credentials was possible, confirming that weak service account passwords can be exploited to gain unauthorized access to domain resources.

**Real-World Security Impact**

In a production environment, Kerberoasting can expose service accounts that often have elevated privileges or broad access. Compromise of these accounts may allow attackers to:

- Access sensitive data stored in SMB shares or applications.
- Move laterally across systems.
- Escalate privileges to domain administrator.

This attack demonstrates the importance of enforcing strong password policies, monitoring Kerberos ticket requests, and restricting service account privileges.

**Reproducibility**

This result can be reproduced by:

1. Deploying a Windows Server as a Domain Controller with at least one service account and SPN registered.
2. Using a separate Kali Linux machine to enumerate SPNs and request service tickets for SPN-associated accounts.
3. Saving the extracted hash and cracking it offline with John the Ripper in a controlled lab context.
4. Using the recovered credentials to authenticate against SMB or other services in the domain.