

Penetration Testing

1. SQL Injection

Reason for choosing this vulnerability: This kind of attack occurs when a malicious user tries to execute SQL queries to break into the web application. It is one of the most common types of security attacks. In order to prevent such attacks, the user input in the URL header must be sanitized.

Result: Used sqlmap to test the vulnerabilities with WAF the application throws HTTP status code-403 as sqlmap tries to hit many times the status code 403 is thrown 92 times. Whereas without WAF 403 error code is not thrown that means the injection was possible

With WAF

```
root@kali: ~
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
root@kali:~# sqlmap -u 'https://csye6225-sul9-katakama.me/user/register' --headers="Content-Type:application/json" --data='{ "username" : "katakam.a@h
usky.neu.edu", "password" : "123456789" }'

[+] legal disclaimer: Usage of sqlmap for attacking targets without prior mutual consent is illegal. It is the end user's responsibility to obey all
applicable local, state and federal laws. Developers assume no liability and are not responsible for any misuse or damage caused by this program

[*] starting @ 16:25:12 /2019-08-09/

JSON data found in POST data. Do you want to process it? [Y/n/q] y
[16:25:16] [INFO] testing connection to the target URL
[16:25:16] [CRITICAL] previous heuristics detected that the target is protected by some kind of WAF/IPS
[16:25:16] [INFO] testing if the target URL content is stable
[16:25:17] [WARNING] target URL content is not stable (i.e. content differs), sqlmap will base the page comparison on a sequence matcher. If no dynam
ic nor injectable parameters are detected, or in case of junk results, refer to user's manual paragraph 'Page comparison'
how do you want to proceed? [(c)ontinue/((s)tring/((r)egex/((q)uit/((c)
[16:25:44] [INFO] testing 'Microsoft SQL Server/Sybase stacked queries (comment)'
[16:25:44] [INFO] testing 'Oracle stacked queries (DBMS_PIPE.RECEIVE_MESSAGE - comment)'
[16:25:45] [INFO] testing 'MySQL >= 5.0.12 AND time-based blind'
[16:25:45] [INFO] testing 'PostgreSQL > 8.1 AND time-based blind'
[16:25:46] [INFO] testing 'Microsoft SQL Server/Sybase time-based blind (IF)'
[16:25:46] [INFO] testing 'Oracle AND time-based blind'
[16:25:47] [INFO] testing 'Generic UNION query (NULL) - 1 to 10 columns'
[16:25:52] [WARNING] (custom) POST parameter 'JSON password' does not seem to be injectable
[16:25:52] [CRITICAL] all tested parameters do not appear to be injectable. Try to increase values for '--level/--risk' options if you wish to perf
orm more tests. If you suspect that there is some kind of protection mechanism involved (e.g. WAF) maybe you could try to use option '--tamper' (e.g.
'--tamper=space2comment') and/or switch '--random-agent'
[16:25:52] [WARNING] HTTP error codes detected during run:
400 (Bad Request) - 156 times, 409 (Conflict) - 8 times, 403 (Forbidden) - 92 times
```

Without WAF

```
root@kali:~# sqlmap -u 'https://nowaf.csye6225-sul9-katakama.me/user/register' --headers="Content-Type:application/json" --data='{ "username" : "aam.a
@husky.neu.edu", "password" : "123456789" }'

[+] legal disclaimer: Usage of sqlmap for attacking targets without prior mutual consent is illegal. It is the end user's responsibility to obey all
applicable local, state and federal laws. Developers assume no liability and are not responsible for any misuse or damage caused by this program

[*] starting @ 17:58:04 /2019-08-09/
```

[17:58:48] [WARNING] HTTP error codes detected during run:
400 (Bad Request) - 248 times, 409 (Conflict) - 8 times

Blocked Requests

Sample data from 2019-08-09 20:12:33 to 20:27:33				
Source IP	URI	Matches rule	Action	Time (UTC)
▶ 174.63.108.71	/user/register? TBNy=5348%20AND%201 %3D1%20UNION%20ALL %20SELECT%201%2CNU LL%2C%27%3Cscript%3E alert%28%22XSS%22%29 %3C%2Fscript%3E%27% 2Ctable_name%20FROM %20information_schema.t ables%20WHERE%202% 3E1-- %2F%2A%2A%2F%3B%2 0EXEC%20xp_cmdshell% 28%27cat%20..%2F..%2F.. %2Fetc%2Fpasswd%27% 29%23	generic-mitigate-sqli	Block	20:14:42
▶ 174.63.108.71	/user/register? id=1%20AND%201=1%20 UNION%20ALL%20SELE CT%201%2CNULL%2C% 27%3Cscript%3Ealert%28 %22XSS%22%29%3C%2 Fscript%3E%27%2Ctable_ name%20FROM%20infor mation_schema.tables%20 WHERE%202%3E1-- %2F%2A%2A%2F%3B%2 0EXEC%20xp_cmdshell% 28%27cat%20..%2F..%2F..	generic-mitigate-sqli	Block	20:14:52

2. XSS(Cross site scripting)

Reason for choosing this vulnerability: Cross-site scripting (XSS) is a type of injection security attack in which an attacker injects data, such as a malicious script into content from otherwise trusted websites. Cross-site scripting attacks happen when an untrusted source is allowed to inject its own code into a web application, and that malicious code is included with dynamic content delivered to a victim's browser

With WAF

The screenshot shows a web application security tool interface. The URL bar displays `https://csye6225-su19-katakama.me/?<script>alert("xss")</script>`. The tool is configured with a GET method. The Query Params section shows a single parameter with the key `<script>alert("xss")</script>`. The Body tab is selected, showing a status of 403 Forbidden. The response body is displayed in HTML format, showing a 403 Forbidden error page with a white background and a red error message.

```
1 <html>
2 <head>
3   <title>403 Forbidden</title>
4 </head>
5 <body bgcolor="white">
6   <center>
7     <h1>403 Forbidden</h1>
8   </center>
9 </body>
10</html>
```

Without WAF

The screenshot shows the same web application security tool interface, but with the URL `https://nowaf.csye6225-su19-katakama.me/?<script>alert("xss")</script>`. The tool is configured with a GET method. The Query Params section shows a single parameter with the key `<script>alert("xss")</script>`. The Body tab is selected, showing a status of 200 OK. The response body is displayed in JSON format, showing a successful response with a message.

```
1 {
2   "message": "Current time - Fri Aug 09 22:43:07 UTC 2019"
3 }
```

Blocked Requests

Sampled requests

To view new samples, choose **Get new samples**.

generic-mitigate-xss

Get new samples

Sample data from 2019-08-09 22:29:04 to 22:44:04

Source IP	URI	Matches rule	Action	Time (UTC)
▶ 174.63.108.71	/? %3Cscript%3Ealert%28%2 2xss%22%29%3C/script% 3E	generic-mitigate-xss	Block	22:38:32

3.Vulnerability Type: Restricted attachment size

Reason for choosing this vulnerability: We restrict the attachment size as there might be some size constraints that are given to each user.

Result: When an attachment larger than the size specified is sent to the server, we get a 403 Forbidden Status Code.

With WAF (*File Size: 3.12GB*)

generic-restrict-sizes



Edit rule

When a request matches at least one of the filters in the size constraint condition [generic-size-restrictions](#)

Filters in generic-size-restrictions

The length of the Query string is greater than 1024.

The length of the Body is greater than 1048575.

The length of the Header 'cookie' is greater than 4096.

The length of the URI is greater than 512.

POST ▼ <https://csye6225-su19-kallurit.me/book/f160363e-bc05-4bf9-bb73-8490648a7322/image> Send ▼ Save ▼

Params Authorization ● Headers (2) **Body ●** Pre-request Script Tests Cookies Code Comments (0)

● none ● form-data ● x-www-form-urlencoded ● raw ● binary

KEY	VALUE	DESCRIPTION	*** Bulk Edit
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> file	kali-linux-2019.2-amd64.iso ✕		
Key	Value	Description	

Body Cookies Headers (5) Test Results Status: 403 Forbidden Time: 68 ms Size: 287 B Download

Pretty Raw Preview HTML ▼ 🔍

```

1 <html>
2   <head>
3     <title>403 Forbidden</title>
4   </head>
5   <body bgcolor="white">
6     <center>
7       <h1>403 Forbidden</h1>
8     </center>
9   </body>
10 </html>

```

Without WAF

POST ▼ <https://nowaf.csye6225-su19-kallurit.me/book/f189363e-bc05-4bf9-bb73-8487648a7322/image> Send ▼ Save ▼

Params Authorization ● Headers (2) **Body ●** Pre-request Script Tests Cookies Code Comments (0)

● none ● form-data ● x-www-form-urlencoded ● raw ● binary

KEY	VALUE	DESCRIPTION	*** Bulk Edit
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> file	breakfast.jpg ✕		
Key	Value	Description	

Body Cookies Headers (4) Test Results Status: 200 OK Time: 1457 ms Size: 276 B Download

Pretty Raw Preview JSON ▼ 🔍

```

1 {
2   "url": "s3://csye6225-su19-kallurit.me.csye6225.com/1565460187_breakfast.jpg",
3   "id": "7c26b3e8-2503-46fd-9694-326261a8a009"
4 }

```

4.IP Blacklisting

Reason for choosing this vulnerability: This restriction is placed in order to give only legitimate people access to the application and protect the application from hacking attacks.

Result: When a user from a blocked IP tries to access the application, the user is forbidden from accessing it and a Status Code of 403 is returned. If the IP is not blacklisted, the user can access the web application

With WAF

```
8: wlp2s0: <BROADCAST,MULTICAST,UP,LOWER_UP> mtu 1500 qdisc mq state UP group default qlen 1000
    link/ether 9c:da:3e:8a:be:07 brd ff:ff:ff:ff:ff:ff
    inet 10.0.0.129/24 brd 10.0.0.255 scope global dynamic noprefixroute wlp2s0
        valid_lft 580909sec preferred_lft 580909sec
    inet6 2601:182:c900:daaa::43/128 scope global dynamic noprefixroute
        valid_lft 580911sec preferred_lft 580911sec
    inet6 2601:182:c900:daaa:a40e:f573:18b7:e107/64 scope global temporary dynamic
        valid_lft 300sec preferred_lft 300sec
```

IP match conditions

Create condition Delete

Filter US East (N. Virginia) Viewing 1 to 2 10

Name

- ☐ generic-match-admin-remote-ip
- ☒ generic-match-blacklisted-ips

generic-match-blacklisted-ips

Add IP addresses or ranges Delete IP address or range

Filter by IP address or range Viewing 1 to 6 of 6 IP descriptors Results per page 10

IP addresses or range	IP version
<input type="checkbox"/> 2601:182:c900:daaa::43/128	IPv6
<input type="checkbox"/> 127.0.0.1/32	IPv4

GET https://csye6225-su19-katakama.me/ Send Save

Params Authorization Headers (10) Body Pre-request Script Tests Cookies Code Comments (0)

Query Params

KEY	VALUE	DESCRIPTION
Key	Value	Description

Body Cookies Headers (5) Test Results Status: 403 Forbidden Time: 174ms Size: 287 B Save Response

Pretty Raw Preview HTML

```
1 <html>
2
3 <head>
4   <title>403 Forbidden</title>
5 </head>
6
7 <body bgcolor="white">
8   <center>
9     <h1>403 Forbidden</h1>
10  </center>
11 </body>
12
13 </html>
```

Without WAF

GET https://nowaf.csye6225-su19-katakama.me/ Send Save

Params Authorization Headers (10) Body Pre-request Script Tests Cookies Code Comments (0)

TYPE Basic Auth

The authorization header will be automatically generated when you send the request. [Learn more about authorization](#)

Preview Request

Username akashkatakam1@gmail.com

Password 123456789

☒ Show Password

Body Cookies Headers (4) Test Results Status: 200 OK Time: 304ms Size: 211 B Save Response

Pretty Raw Preview JSON

```
1 {
2   "message": "Current time - Fri Aug 09 07:04:51 UTC 2019"
3 }
```