

CTIS 256

Introduction to Backend Development

Note # 10 – File Uploading

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POST Request (form data)

Member Form

Name Lastname

Ali Gül

Department

CTIS

Birthday

1995-12-03

SEND ➤

```
<form action="add.php" method="post">
  <div class="input-field">
    <input name="name" id="name" type="text" class="validate">
    <label for="name">Name Lastname</label>
  </div>

  <div class="input-field">
    <input name="department" id="department" type="text" class="validate">
    <label for="department">Department</label>
  </div>

  <div class="input-field">
    <input name="bday" id="bday" type="text" class="validate">
    <label for="bday">Birthday</label>
  </div>

  <button class="btn waves-effect waves-light" type="submit" name="action">Send
  <i class="material-icons right">send</i>
</button>
</form>
```

Request Line

POST /upload/add.php HTTP/1.1

Request Headers

Host: localhost

Connection: keep-alive

Content-Length: 57

Cache-Control: max-age=0

Origin: http://localhost

Content-Type: application/x-www-form-urlencoded

User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 10.0; Win64; x64)

Request Body

name=Ali+G%C3%BCl&department=CTIS&bday=1995-12-03&action=

x-www-form-urlencoded : only for form data

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Ali Gül

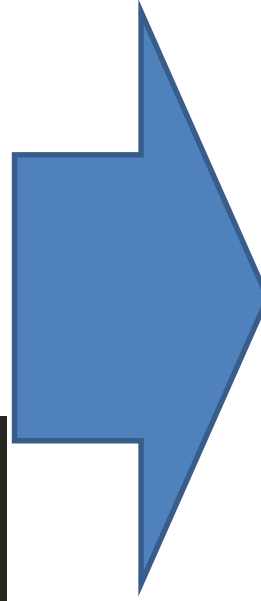
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Request Line

POST /upload/add.php HTTP/1.1

Request Headers

Host: localhost

Connection: keep-alive

Content-Length: 438

Cache-Control: max-age=0

Origin: http://localhost

Content-Type: multipart/form-data; boundary=---WebKitFormBoundary

Request Body

-----WebKitFormBoundaryJA5FR3kguKv5JXoD ←----- separator

Content-Disposition: form-data; name="name"

Ali GÜL

-----WebKitFormBoundaryJA5FR3kguKv5JXoD ←----- separator

Content-Disposition: form-data; name="department"

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Content-Disposition: form-data; name="bday"

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```
<form action="add.php" method="post" enctype="multipart/form-data">
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    <label for="name">Name Lastname</label>
  </div>

  <div class="input-field">
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    <label for="department">Department</label>
  </div>

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File Uploading

Client-side



Username :	<input type="text" value="Ali Gül"/>
Profile :	<input type="button" value="Choose File"/> profile.jpg
CV :	<input type="button" value="Choose File"/> cv.pdf
<input type="button" value="Upload"/>	

```
<form action="" method="post" enctype="multipart/form-data">  
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  <p>Profile : <input type="file" name="profile"></p>  
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  <p><button>Upload</button></p>  
</form>
```

html

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Browser prepares POST request

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</form>
```

html

POST /upload HTTP/1.1

Request Line

Host: localhost
Content-Type: **multipart/form-data**; boundary=---WebKit1234567
Content-Length: 453956 (total size of Request Body)
....

Request Headers

---WebKit1234567

Content-Disposition: form-data; name="username"

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---WebKit1234567

Content-Disposition: form-data; name="profile"; filename="profile.jpg"

Content-Type: **image/jpeg**

89 50 4e 47 0d 0a 1a 0a 00 00 0d 49 48 44 52
00 00 00 64 00 binary content 00 00 70 e2 95
54 00 00 00 00 70 48 50 73 00 00 0b 13 00 00 0b

Request Body

---WebKit1234567

Content-Disposition: form-data; name="cv"; filename="cv.pdf"

Content-Type: **application/pdf**

94 52 fb e9 10 1a 0a 00 15 10 a7 87 f7 cc a0
9f d9 4f e0 62 binary content 09 80 b9 7e 84
6b 60 35 65 33 84 c1 ec 6f 84 47 e0 a0 05 a4 7f

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File Uploading

POST /upload HTTP/1.1

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Ali Gül

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```

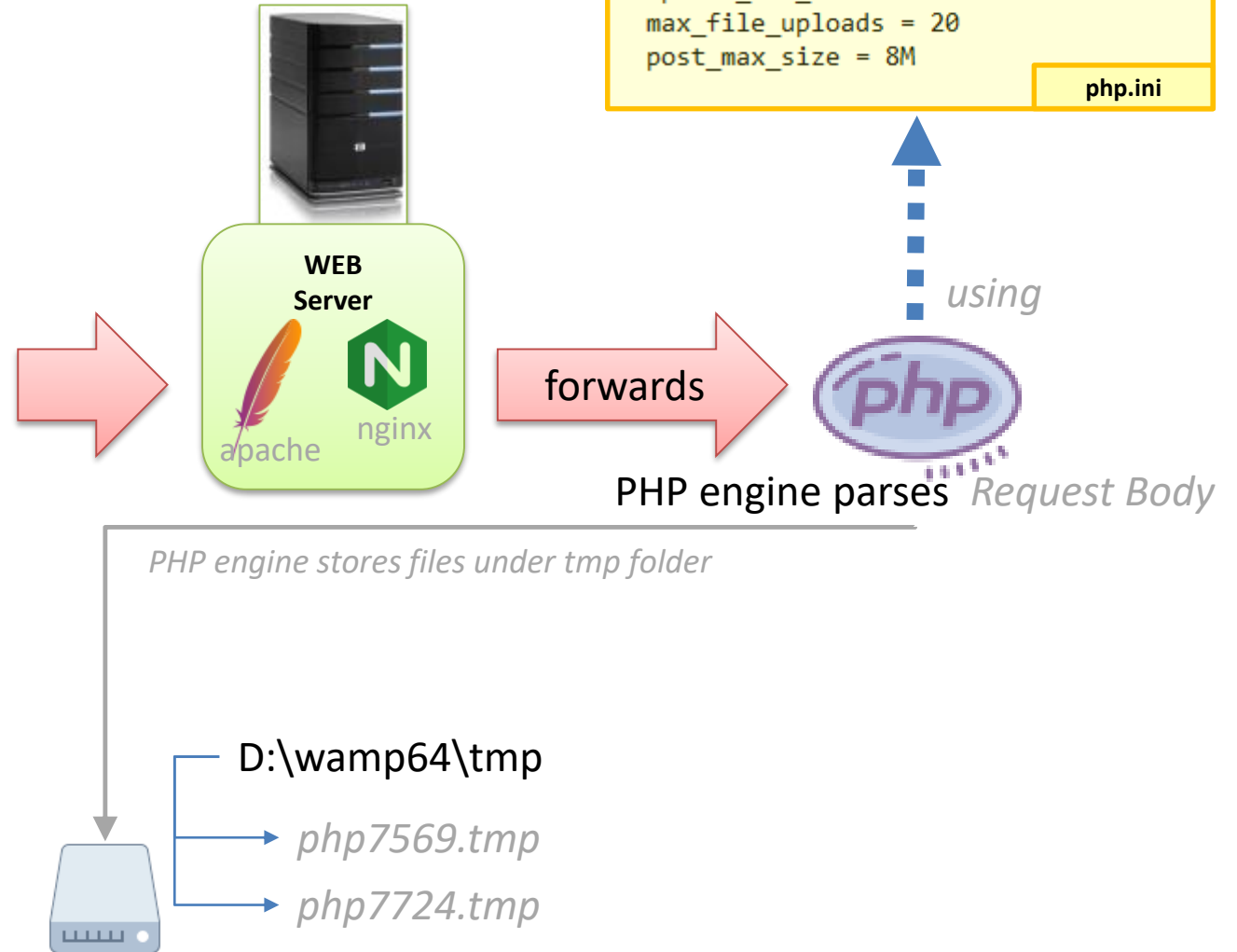
---WebKit1234567

Content-Disposition: form-data; name="cv"; filename="cv.pdf"

Content-Type: **application/pdf**

```
94 52 fb e9 10 1a 0a 0a 0a 0a 0d 49 48 44 52
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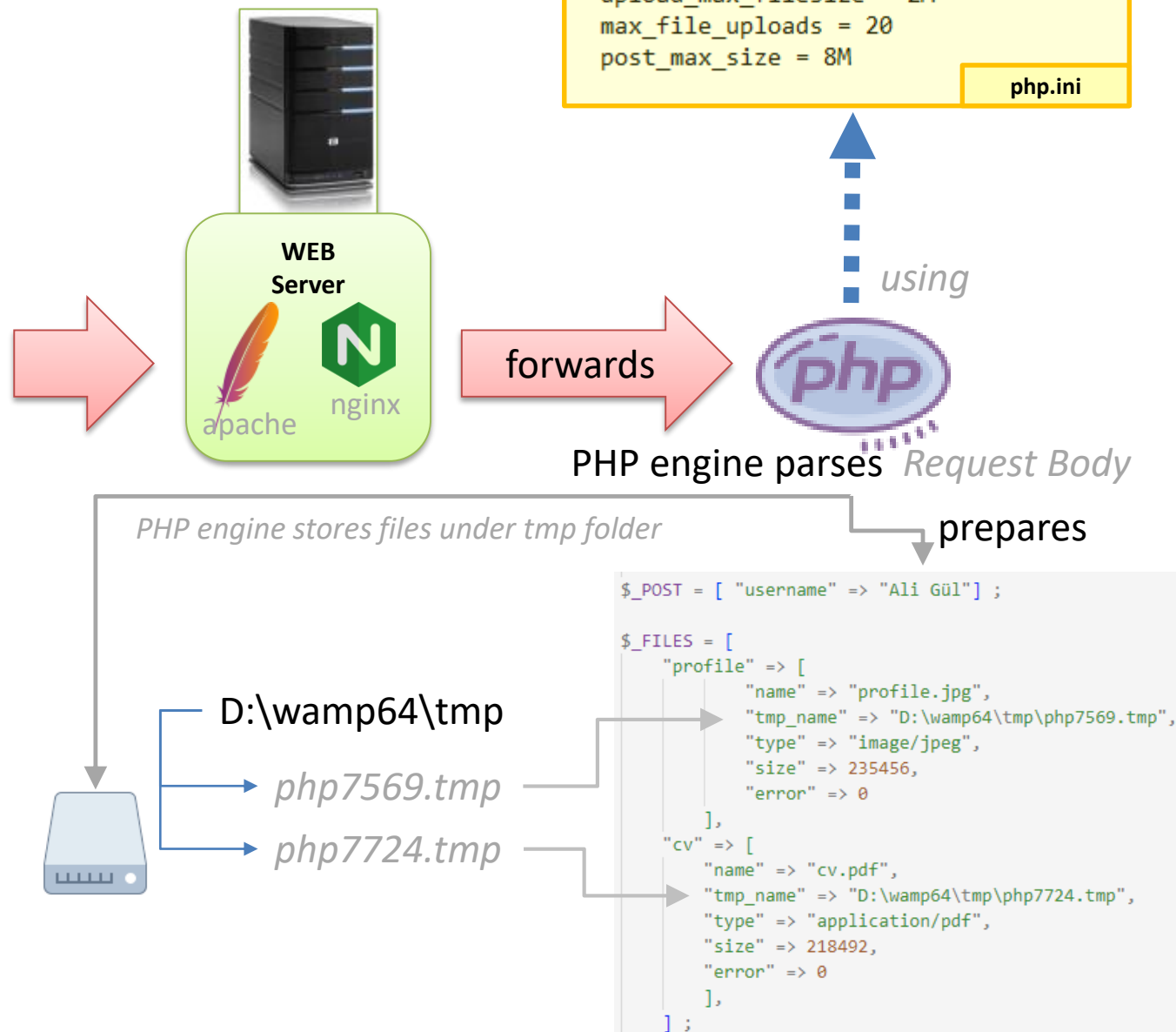
---WebKit1234567

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Content-Type: **application/pdf**

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94 52 fb e9 10 1a 0a 0a 0a 0a 0d 49 48 44 52
9f d9 4f e0 62 binary content 09 80 b9 7e 84
6b 60 35 65 33 84 c1 ec 6f 84 47 e0 a0 05 a4 7f
```

---WebKit1234567



Error Cases

```
if ( isset($_FILES["profile"])) {  
    switch( $_FILES["profile"]["error"]) {  
        case UPLOAD_ERR_OK: {  
            // file is uploaded successfully.  
            move_uploaded_file($_FILES["tmp_name"], "./images/" . $_FILES["name"]);  
        } break ;  
        case UPLOAD_ERR_INI_SIZE: {  
            $error = "File size is greater than upload_max_size in php.ini" ;  
        } break ;  
        case UPLOAD_ERR_NO_FILE: {  
            $error = "No File Chosen" ;  
        } break ;  
        case UPLOAD_ERR_CANT_WRITE : {  
            $error = "PHP Engine cannot write file to tmp folder" ;  
        }  
    }  
}
```

Attention:

- if the file size is greater than "upload_max_filesize" in "php.ini", the file size is set to 0 (zero)
- if total post size exceeds "post_max_size", Php engine sets \$_POST and \$_FILES arrays empty.
- therefore, set "upload_max_filesize" and "post_max_size" decent big values like 16M and 32M respectively in "php.ini" file.

move_uploaded_file

(PHP 4 >= 4.0.3, PHP 5, PHP 7, PHP 8)

move_uploaded_file — Moves an uploaded file to a new location

Description

```
move_uploaded_file ( string $from , string $to ) : bool
```

This function checks to ensure that the file designated by **from** is a valid upload file (meaning that it was uploaded via PHP's HTTP POST upload mechanism). If the file is valid, it will be moved to the filename given by **to**.

This sort of check is especially important if there is any chance that anything done with uploaded files could reveal their contents to the user, or even to other users on the same system.

```
if (move_uploaded_file( $tmpfile, "../uploads/{$filename} ) ) {  
    echo "<p>File Uploaded</p>" ;  
}
```

Sample Upload Function

```
function upload($filebox) {  
    global $max_filesize ;  
    if ( isset($_FILES[$filebox])) {  
        $file = $_FILES[$filebox] ;  
        // get the extension of uploaded file.  
        $ext = strtolower(pathinfo($file["name"], PATHINFO_EXTENSION)) ;  
  
        // Check Error Cases  
        if ( $file["error"] == UPLOAD_ERR_INI_SIZE) {  
            $error = "{$file["name"]} : greater than $max_filesize" ;  
        } else if ( $file["error"] == UPLOAD_ERR_NO_FILE) {  
            $error = "No file chosen" ;  
        } else if ( !in_array($ext, ["jpg", "png", "gif"])) {  
            // check the extension  
            $error = "{$file["name"]} : Not an image file" ;  
        } else {  
            // The Upload was completed successfully  
            // random filename to prevent filename collision  
            $filename = bin2hex(random_bytes(8)) . ".$ext" ;  
  
            // move uploaded file to application folder ("photos" in this example)  
            if (move_uploaded_file($file["tmp_name"], "../photos/" . $filename ) ) {  
                return ["filename" => $filename] ;  
            }  
            $error = "{$file["tmp_name"]} cannot be moved. (check permissions)" ;  
        }  
    }  
    return ["error" => $error] ;  
}
```