



File Upload Vulnerabilities

Cybersecurity
Web Vulnerabilities 2 Day 2



Today's Objectives

By the end of class, you will be able to:



Test for LFI/RFI vulnerabilities



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Activity: SQL Injection Warm-UP

In this activity, you will review concepts covered last class about SQL injection.

Instructions sent via Slack.

Suggested Time:
15 Minutes



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Start by injecting quotation marks (' and "). If this produces errors, the server may be vulnerable to injection.

If you suspect there's a vulnerability, you should try an OR and AND injection.

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If the first URL works and the second causes an error, we can conclude that the database ran the full SQL statement in the URL.

If the AND comparison is true, it will work as normal. If it is false, there will be an error. Only servers that are vulnerable to injection will work this way.

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Today we'll explore **uploading files** in order to turn an administrator's web server into a tool for running commands on the host.

- The file upload functionality we'll be looking at is designed for the site administrator to upload pictures, but we can use it to upload arbitrary files, including code.
- We'll use a tool called **Webshell** to upload malicious PHP that can execute shell commands.

Webshells

Webshells allow attackers to run shell commands by sending them as parameters in HTTP requests.

Then, the script on the server parses the parameters, and runs them as code.

- For example, to use a webshell, an attacker might navigate to:
`http://example.com/webshell.php?command=ls.`
 - The script would read the command parameter, whose value is `ls.`
 - The script would run `ls` as a shell command.
 - The HTTP response would contain the results normally printed to the command line.
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Instructor Demonstration

Webshell



Activity: My First Webshell

In this activity, you will examine the form and function of a PHP webshell, upload a webshell to a vulnerable server, and use Burp Suite to perform reconnaissance against the compromised host.

`Activities/Stu_My_First_Webshell/README`

Suggested Time:



My First Webshell Review

First Steps with Webshell

While we do not need to know PHP in order to assess web applications, it is useful to be familiar with:

- How PHP is inserted into web pages.
 - How user data is extracted from an HTTP request.
 - How PHP runs shell commands from server side scripts.
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Use: `$_POST['username']` and `$_POST['password']`

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To dump `/etc/passwd`: `GET /hackable/webshell.php?cmd=cat%20/etc/passwd`

For user info: `id`: `GET /hackable/webshell.php?cmd=id`

For OS info: `uname`: `GET /hackable/webshell.php?cmd=uname`

For process info: `ps aux`: `GET /hackable/webshell.php?cmd=ps%20aux`

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Send the request from Repeater to Intruder by pressing Ctrl + I.

Add a position such that your request line looks like:

```
GET /hackable/webshell.php?cmd=$COMMAND$ .
```

Add the commands you ran above as payloads in Intruder, and click **Start Attack**.

Receiving Requests with webhook



Activity: Serving an XSS Vector

In this activity, you will assess a site for XSS vulnerabilities.

`Activities/Stu_Cookie_Phishing/README`

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20 Minutes



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