

# Training Session: Infiltration



# Schedule

1. Presentation ~30-40 min
2. Challenges 60-70 min
3. Solutions
4. Social Drink @ Hubble



# Contents of this training

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- Credential Harvesting
  - Sniffing
  - Poisoning
  - MITM in a CTF
- Service Misconfigurations
- Deep Dive: Web
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  - How to attack it?
    - CVEs
    - Misconfigurations
    - The Common Culprits
- Extra: Hash Cracking (if we have time)



# How to gain access?



# What do the bad guys do?

Hackers are opportunistic!

They find the path of least resistance:

- 1) Gather credentials for free: Data Leaks, Pastes on the Public Internet
- 2) Pay for credentials: Dark Web forums, Discord/Signal groups, Ransomware Post-Extortion
- 3) Known CVEs
- 4) Custom Phishing Campaigns
- 5) Actually Hacking Infrastructure
- 6) Nation-State Level: 0-Days, Espionage, Insider Threat

Credit to the SANS talk by  
Jason Haddix:

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N\\_Qyx836Y9s](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N_Qyx836Y9s)



# What will you learn today?



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- Only use information from this training to conduct testing with prior permission of the target.
- The information is presented in this training session is for educational purposes only.

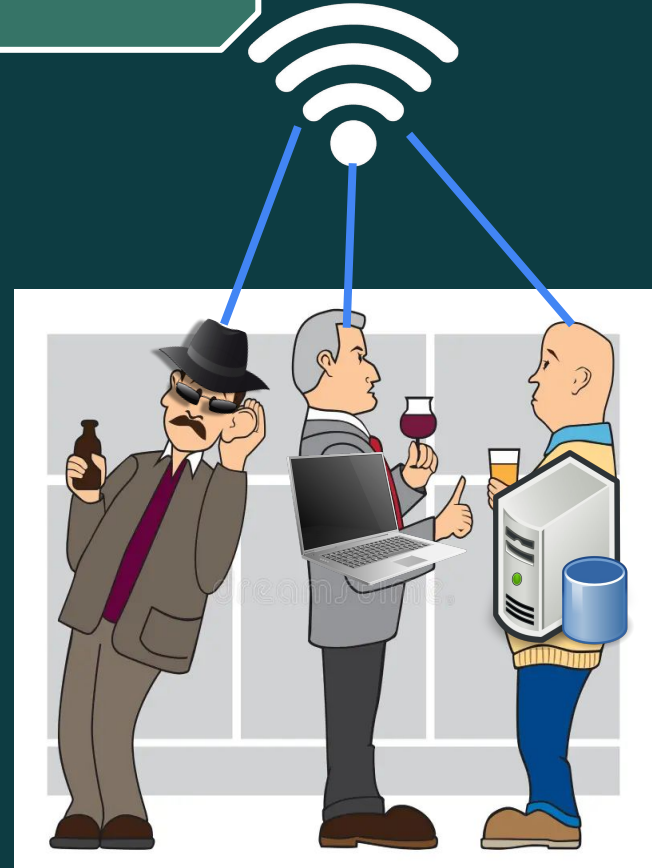
# Credential Harvesting





# Sniffing

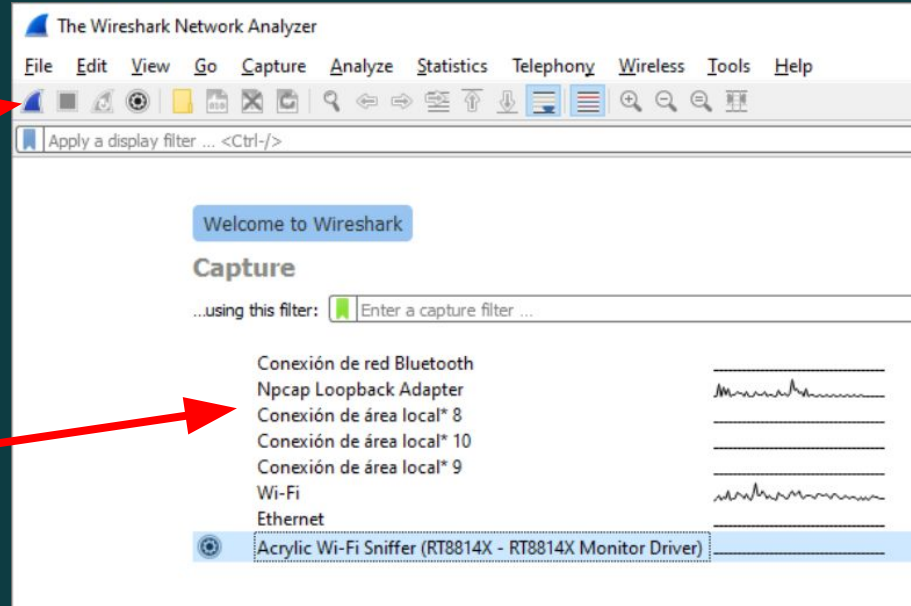
- Capture data (packets) sent over the network
- Need access to the target network
- Get cleartext credentials (rare irl, but common in CTFs) or hashed and/or encrypted credentials
- Tools to use:
  - Wireshark (GUI)
  - TShark (CLI 🕶️)



# Sniffing - Wireshark

2) Start capturing packets

1) Select interface (network)



# Sniffing - Wireshark

Filter packets: only http POST requests (full list of filters found in wireshark documentation)

Click on packet to view details

Filter: http.request.method=="POST"

No.	Time	Source	Destination	Protocol	Length	Info
1034	8.148165	172.99.96.253	160.153.129.234	HTTP	617	POST /signin.php

[Full request URI: http://www.sababank.com/signin.php]  
[HTTP request 1/1]  
[Response in frame: 1129]  
File Data: 53 bytes

- HTML Form URL Encoded: application/x-www-form-urlencoded
  - Form item: "username" = "Ibrahim\_Diyeb"
  - Form item: "password" = "yemen\_123"
  - Form item: "actn" = "signin"

01a0 63 6f 64 65 64 0d 0a 43 6f 6e 74 65 6e 74 2d 4c coded..Content-L  
01b0 65 6e 67 74 68 3a 20 35 33 0d 0a 43 6f 6f 6b 69 length: 53..Cookie  
01c0 65 3a 20 50 48 50 53 45 53 53 49 44 3d 34 31 32 e: PHPSESSID=412  
01d0 33 35 34 31 32 30 63 35 36 37 34 35 61 63 66 34 354120c5 6745acf4  
01e0 31 62 38 65 32 39 36 34 63 32 62 65 35 3b 20 6c 1b8e2964 c2be5; 1  
01f0 61 6e 67 3d 61 72 61 62 69 63 0d 0a 43 6f 6e 6e ang=arabic..Conn  
0200 65 63 74 69 6f 6e 3a 20 6b 65 65 70 2d 61 6c 69 ection: keep-ali  
0210 76 65 0d 0a 55 70 67 72 61 64 65 2d 49 6e 73 65 ve..Upgrade-Inse  
0220 63 75 72 65 2d 52 65 71 75 65 73 74 73 3a 20 31 cure-Requests: 1  
0230 0d 0a 0d 0a 75 73 65 72 6e 61 6d 65 3d 49 62 72 ....username=Ibr  
0240 61 68 69 6d 5f 44 69 79 65 62 26 70 61 73 73 77 ahim\_Diyeb&passw

# Poisoning

- Respond to (windows) requests for authentication
- Impersonate an authentication server
- Victim tries authenticating against you, you capture their credentials
- Tools to use: Responder

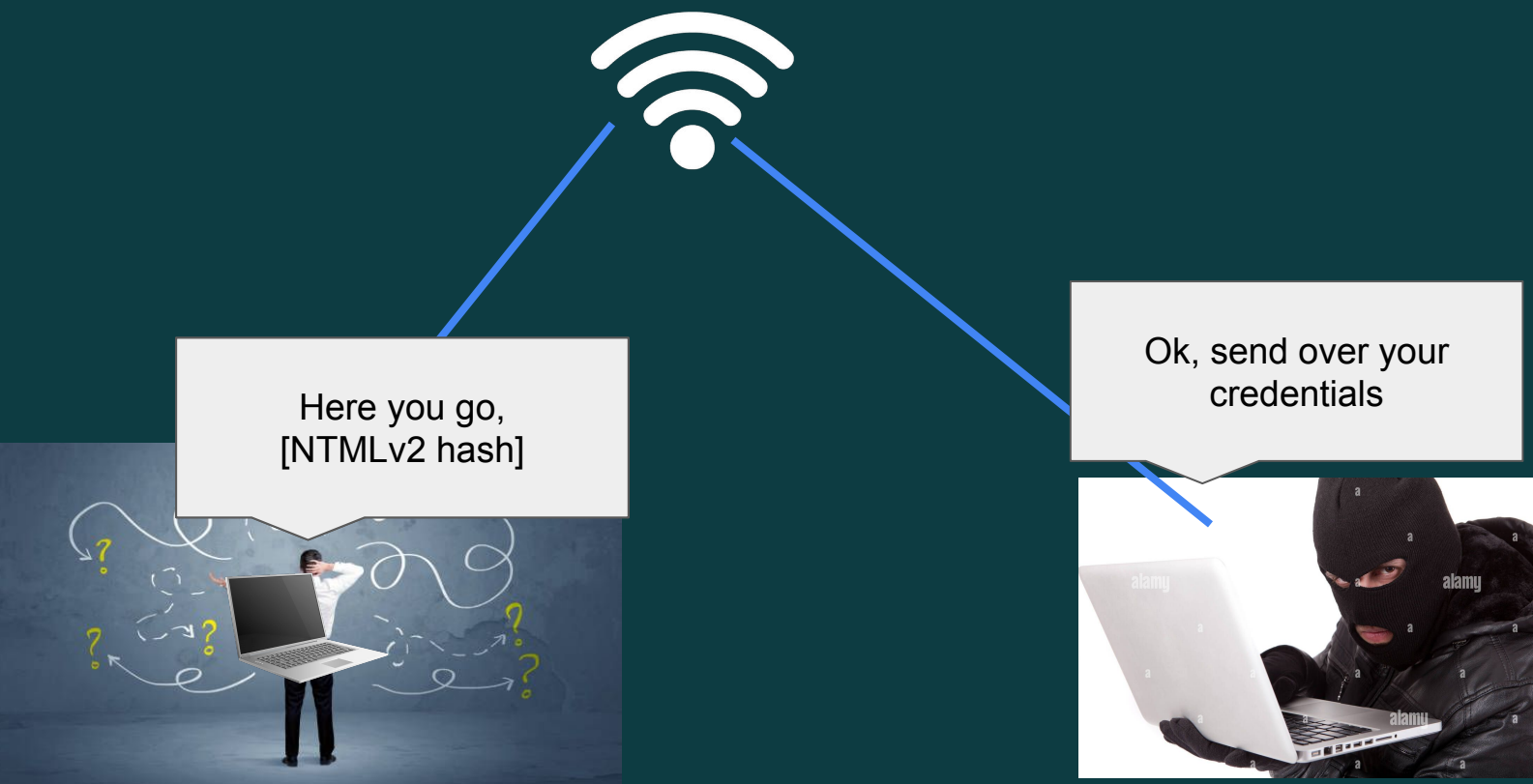
You are generally not allowed to do this in CTF environments, ours included!



# Poisoning - How it works



# Poisoning - How it works



Here you go,  
[NTLMv2 hash]

Ok, send over your  
credentials

## NOT TO BE DONE IN CTF ENVIRONMENTS!

re-pon-der

Author: Laurent Gaffie (laurent.gaffie@gmail.com)  
To kill this script hit CTRL-C

```
[+] Servers:
HTTP server      [ON]
HTTPS server     [ON]
WPAD proxy       [ON]
Auth proxy       [OFF]
SMB server       [ON]
Kerberos server  [ON]
SQL server       [ON]
FTP server       [ON]
IMAP server      [ON]
POP3 server      [ON]
SMTP server      [ON]
DNS server       [ON]
LDAP server      [ON]
RDP server       [ON]
```

```
[+] Poisoning Options:
    Analyze Mode           [OFF]
    Force WPAD auth        [ON]
    Force Basic Auth       [OFF]
    Force LM downgrade     [OFF]
    Fingerprint hosts      [OFF]
```

Run Responder on specific network interface (-I flag)

## Get hashed credentials by poisoning a request

[illegible]

# Responder in a CTF

- Find a way to make the victim request `\\[responder_ip]\share`
- Can be done through:
  - XSS (more on this later)
  - A malicious Office file
  - More...

```
[SMB] NTLMv2-SSP Client      : 10.1.1.146
[SMB] NTLMv2-SSP Username    : WIN-487IMQ0IA8E\Administrator
[SMB] NTLMv2-SSP Hash        : Administrator::WIN-487IMQ0IA8E:ff
03100320004000A0053004D0042003100320003000A0053004D0042003100
```





# Service Misconfigurations



# Bad Credentials



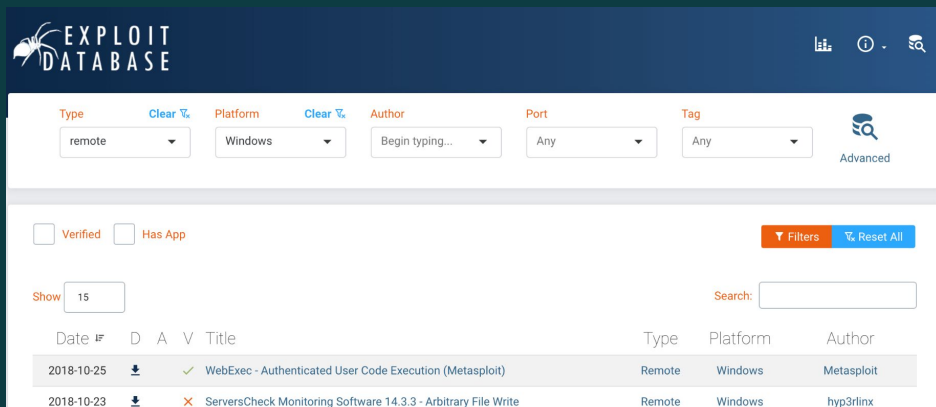
Last Training Session: Nmap for service enumeration

- Try authenticating to the service:
  - anonymous/guest authentication
  - root:root
  - admin:admin, admin:admin123, ...
  - default credentials to the service (google it)
- If a username is known, e.g. kyle: Try authenticating with kyle:kyle

# CVEs

Last Training Session: Nmap for service enumeration

- Try finding exploits for the service version
- Google, GitHub, ExploitDB



The screenshot shows the Exploit Database website interface. At the top, there's a dark blue header with the 'EXPLOIT DATABASE' logo and navigation icons. Below the header, there are search filters for Type, Platform, Author, Port, and Tag. The 'Type' filter is set to 'remote', 'Platform' to 'Windows', 'Author' to 'Begin typing...', 'Port' to 'Any', and 'Tag' to 'Any'. There are also checkboxes for 'Verified' and 'Has App', and a 'Filters' button. A 'Show' dropdown is set to '15'. A search bar is present on the right. Below the filters, a table lists exploits with columns for Date, ID, D, A, V, Title, Type, Platform, and Author.

Date	ID	D	A	V	Title	Type	Platform	Author
2018-10-25	<a href="#">15804</a>				WebExec - Authenticated User Code Execution (Metasploit)	Remote	Windows	Metasploit
2018-10-23	<a href="#">15803</a>				ServersCheck Monitoring Software 14.3.3 - Arbitrary File Write	Remote	Windows	hyp3rlinx



# Deep Dive: Web

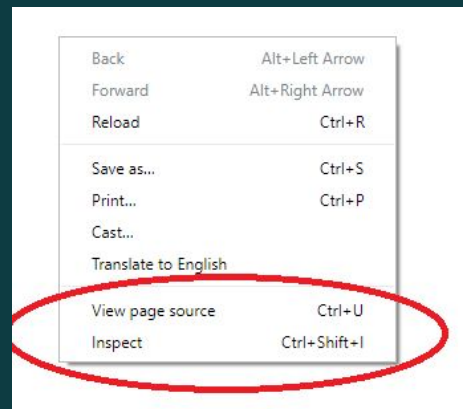


# What to attack? - Recon Recap

When faced with a web service:

- Harvest/Brute-force subdomains
- Crawl/Brute-force content
- Find out what is running:
  - nmap for the web server version
  - Wappalyzer, BuiltWith for content on the website (CMS, js libraries, etc.)
  - /CHANGELOG.txt, /LICENCE.txt, ... for exact software version (if they exist)
- Make sure to look at the website source, as it may hide comments, software versions, etc.

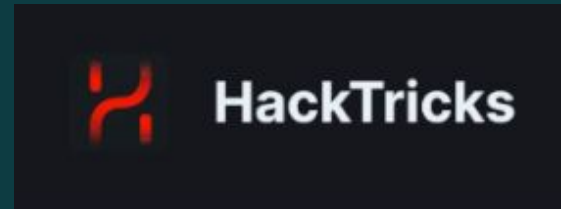
Important: There is no need to brute-force our challenges.



# Quirks and Misconfigurations

- If the website is built using a CMS (Content Management System), misconfigurations can be a quick win:
  - Default admin credentials
  - Accessible admin dashboard/console
  - Open user registration
- HackTricks is a great place to look for CMS-specific misconfigurations

<https://book.hacktricks.xyz/>



# Well-Known CVEs

- Once again, try finding exploits for the service version
- Quick win, not very common irl
- Google, GitHub, ExploitDB



# Getting Creative



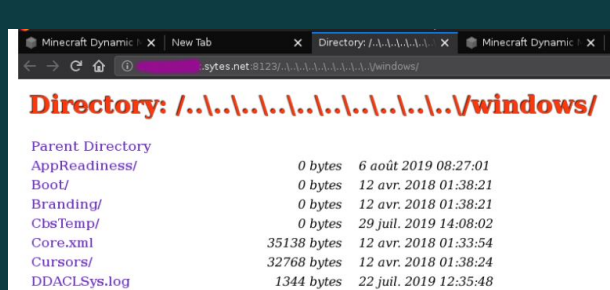


# Path Traversal

- Probably the easiest “creative” vulnerability to test for
- Access the file system arbitrarily by traversing it with “../”
- This can also happen if a file is included on the webpage

## Example:

- 1) Website serves the "report.pdf" file:  
`http://some_site.com.br/get-files.jsp?file=report.pdf`
- 2) The file is located in `/var/www/html/files (/report.pdf)`
- 3) Attacker requests:  
`http://some_site.com.br/get-files.jsp?file=../../../../etc/passwd`
- 4) The `/etc/passwd` file is then served to the Attacker

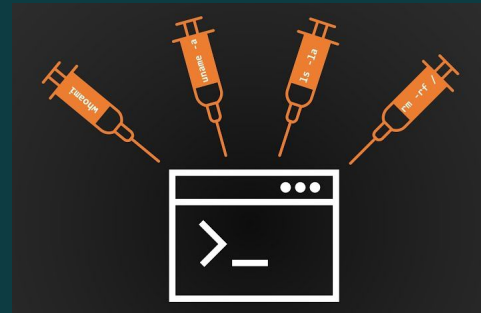


# Command Injection

- When does this happen? When the web server executes a command with user-supplied input.
- Make the server run another command, by supplying special input.
- This is done by using command separators characters: "&", "&&", "|", "||" (Also ";", "\n", and "\$(...)" on Unix-based systems).

DVWA (Damn Vulnerable Web App) Example:

- 1) Website pings a user-supplied ip address
- 2) Web server runs `"ping [user input]"` in the backend
- 3) Attacker supplies `"127.0.0.1 && [attacker command]"`
- 4) Web server runs `"ping 127.0.0.1 && [attacker command]"`, executing `[attacker command]`



# Command Injection


```
<?php

if( isset( $_POST[ 'Submit' ] ) ){
    // Get input
    $target = $_REQUEST[ 'ip' ];    1

    // Determine OS and execute the ping command.
    if( strstr( php_uname( 's' ), 'Windows NT' ) ){
        // Windows
        $cmd = shell_exec( 'ping ' . $target );
    }
    else {
        // *nix
        $cmd = shell_exec( 'ping -c 4 ' . $target );    2
    }

    // Feedback for the end user
    echo "<pre>{$cmd}</pre>";
}

?>
```



## Vulnerability: Command Injection

Home

Instructions

Setup / Reset DB

Brute Force

**Command Injection**

CSRF

File Inclusion

File Upload

Insecure CAPTCHA

SQL Injection

SQL Injection (Blind)

Weak Session IDs

XSS (DOM)

XSS (Reflected)

XSS (Stored)

CSP Bypass

JavaScript

DVWA Security

PHP Info

About

Logout

### Ping a device

Enter an IP address:

```
root:x:0:0:root:/root:/bin/bash
daemon:x:1:1:daemon:/usr/sbin:/usr/sbin/nologin
bin:x:2:2:bin:/bin:/usr/sbin/nologin
sys:x:3:3:sys:/dev:/usr/sbin/nologin
sync:x:4:65534:sync:/bin:/bin/sync
games:x:5:60:games:/usr/games:/usr/sbin/nologin
man:x:6:12:man:/var/cache/man:/usr/sbin/nologin
lp:x:7:7:lp:/var/spool/lpd:/usr/sbin/nologin
mail:x:8:8:mail:/var/mail:/usr/sbin/nologin
news:x:9:9:news:/var/spool/news:/usr/sbin/nologin
uucp:x:10:10:uucp:/var/spool/uucp:/usr/sbin/nologin
proxy:x:13:13:proxy:/bin:/usr/sbin/nologin
www-data:x:33:33:www-data:/var/www:/usr/sbin/nologin
backup:x:34:34:backup:/var/backups:/usr/sbin/nologin
list:x:38:38:Mail Manager:/var/list:/usr/sbin/nologin
irc:x:39:39:ircd:/var/run/ircd:/usr/sbin/nologin
gnats:x:41:41:Gnats Bug-Reporting System (admin):/var/lib/gnats:/usr/sbin/nologin
nobody:x:65534:65534:nobody:/nonexistent:/usr/sbin/nologin
systemd-network:x:100:102:systemd Network Management,,:/run/systemd/netif:/usr/sbin/nologin
systemd-resolve:x:101:103:systemd Resolver,,:/run/systemd/resolve:/usr/sbin/nologin
syslog:x:102:106:syslog:/usr/sbin/nologin
messagebus:x:103:107:nonexistent:/usr/sbin/nologin
_apt:x:104:65534:nonexistent:/usr/sbin/nologin
lxd:x:105:65534:var/lib/lxd/:/bin/false
uuid:x:106:110:run/uuid:/usr/sbin/nologin
dnsmasq:x:107:65534:dnsmasq,,:/var/lib/misc:/usr/sbin/nologin
landscape:x:108:111:var/lib/landscape:/usr/sbin/nologin
pollinate:x:109:11:/var/cache/pollinate:/bin/false
sshd:x:110:65534:run/sshd:/usr/sbin/nologin
ubuntu:x:1000:1000:/home/ubuntu:/bin/bash
mysql:x:111:114:MySQL Server,,:/nonexistent:/bin/false
```

### More Information

- <http://www.scribd.com/doc/2530476/Php-Endangers-Remote-Code-Execution>
- <http://www.ss64.com/bash/>
- <http://www.ss64.com/nt/>
- [https://www.owasp.org/index.php/Command\\_Injection](https://www.owasp.org/index.php/Command_Injection)

Username: admin  
Security Level: low  
PHPIDS: disabled

[View Source](#) [View Help](#)



# SQL Injection

An attacker can engineer input into an sql query with special characters.

Mutillidae Example:

- 1) Website authenticates a user by checking if the supplied credentials match the ones in the database
- 2) Web server runs the sql query in the backend:  

```
SELECT * FROM users WHERE username = '[input username]'  
AND password = '[input password]'
```
- 3) Attacker supplies "" or 1=1 --" (Where "-- is the start of a comment in MySQL syntax")
- 4) Web server runs the query:  

```
SELECT * FROM users WHERE username = '' or 1=1 -- AND  
password = '[input password]'
```

**authenticating the attacker**



# SQL Injection

Authentication Error: Bad user name or password

Please sign-in

Name

' or 1=1 --

Password

Login

Dont have an account? [Please register here](#)

Disabled (0 - I try harder)

Logged In Admin: **admin** (root)

[New Log](#) | [View Captured Data](#) | [Hide Popup Hints](#) | [Enforce SSL](#)

ately Vulnerable Web Pen-Testing  
Application

llidae? Check out how to help



Video Tutorials



# SQL Injection



- There are other things you can do with an SQL Injection vulnerability, such as dump a database, or even execute system commands.
- For more info:

<https://book.hacktricks.xyz/pentesting-web/sql-injection>



# Broken Authentication

A flaw in the authentication system of a website.



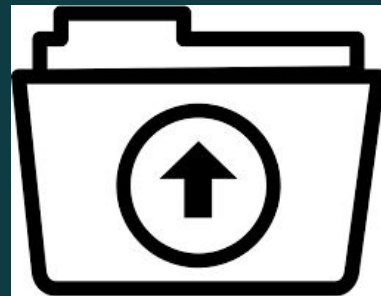
Hypothetical Example:

- 1) Website authenticates users via the Cookie “auth”
- 2) Attacker has a regular user session on the website and is assigned:  
`auth=dXNlciAg`
- 3) Attacker realizes “dXNlciAg” is “user” encoded via base64
- 4) Attacker sets the Cookie: `auth=YWRtaW4g`, which is “admin” encoded via base64
- 5) Website authenticates the Attacker as an admin user



# Arbitrary File Upload

An attacker can upload any type of file to the web server.



- 1) Website lets the user upload an “image” file, but does not check the extension
- 2) Website then stores the file in /uploads/[filename]
- 3) Attacker can then upload any file to the web server
- 4) If the web server is php-based, attacker can upload and open a php file, which is then run on the server

Simple extension filtering can be bypassed with capitalizing letters or alternative extensions.

e.g: .pHp .php4





# Arbitrary File Upload



Upload file.php with the content:

```
<?php system('[attacker command]'); ?>
```

Navigating to /uploads/file.php will make the web server execute [attacker command]



# XSS

If a web-server displays user-supplied input without filtering, an attacker will be able to execute arbitrary javascript in a victim's browser.

This is done via the “<script>” and “</script>” HTML tags.

- 1) Website lets the user set an arbitrary username
- 2) Website then displays the username on a user profile page
- 3) Attacker creates an account with the username:  
`att4k3r<script>[javascript code]</script>`
- 4) Whenever someone would then navigate to the profile page of the Attacker, they would get [javascript code] executed in their browser.

This can be used to redirect a victim to a phishing site, send the victim's session cookie to the Attacker, anything you can think of...



# XSS

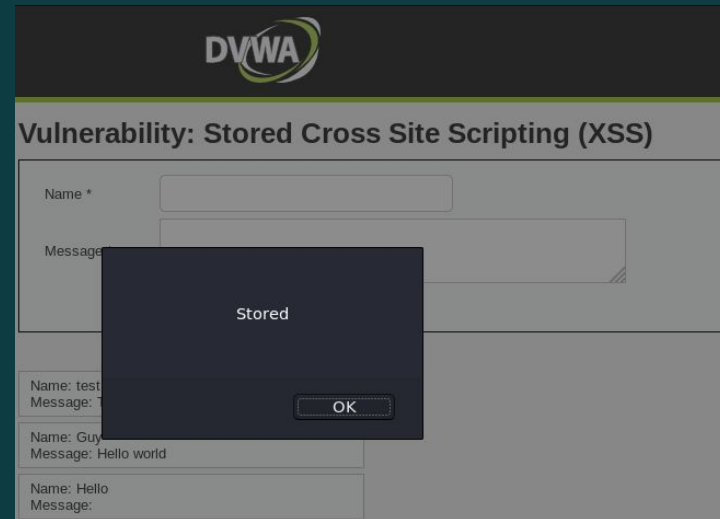
## Vulnerability: Stored Cross Site Scripting (XSS)

Name \*

Message \*

Name: test  
Message: This is a test comment.

Name: Guy  
Message: Hello world



# Want More?

- Common Web Vulnerabilities: OWASP Top 10  
<https://owasp.org/www-project-top-ten/>
- General Hacking Methodology: Mitre ATTACK  
<https://attack.mitre.org/tactics/TA0001/>
- Details on Vulnerabilities and Methodology: Hacktricks  
<https://book.hacktricks.xyz/>
- Practice Web Exploitation (more advanced): HackTheBox, PortSwigger Web Security Academy  
<https://app.hackthebox.com>  
<https://portswigger.net/web-security>



# Extra: Cracking Hashes



# Cracking Hashes: hashcat



- Identify the hash type online or via the command line

Website: <https://hashes.com>

CLI tool: <https://github.com/blackploit/hash-identifier>

- Identify the hashcat module for the hash type

[https://hashcat.net/wiki/doku.php?id=example\\_hashes](https://hashcat.net/wiki/doku.php?id=example_hashes)

- Crack hash with hashcat, using a wordlist:

```
hashcat -m [module] -w wordlist.txt hash.txt
```

, where hash.txt is a file with hashes to crack, one per line.

- It's also possible to add a list of rules (-r flag), modifying each password in the wordlist in a certain way (e.g. adding "!" to the end, capitalizing the first character, ...)
- For more info on this, check out the hashcat documentation:

[https://hashcat.net/wiki/doku.php?id=rule\\_based\\_attack](https://hashcat.net/wiki/doku.php?id=rule_based_attack)



Where can I ask for help or connect with other cyber-oriented folk? (discord)



Any other questions?





# Infiltration challenges

[infiltration.eshatrojan.nl](http://infiltration.eshatrojan.nl)

# Solutions

# Social Drink Right Now!!

## @ Hubble

