WS 1.2 - File Disclosure and Server-Side Request Forgery

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gh repo fork WS_1.2 - File Disclosure and Server-Side Request Forgery

Prerequisites

- WS_1.1 HTTP Protocol And Web Security Overview
- A server to exploit
- Questionable mental sanity

Outline

- File Disclosure
- Server-Side Request Forgery



File Disclosure

File Disclosure

A file disclosure is the result of an attack that disclose/leak important files from a server.

There are multiple vulnerabilities that can lead to a file disclosure, some are: human errors (skill issues), improper server configurations and RCE (Remote Code Execution).

Targets of these type of attacks are servers that store files containing critical information such as: users sensitive data, configuration files, source code of an application.

Everything that works with files can potentially lead to a file disclosure vulnerability.

File Disclosure - Code execution

How to code execute:

- 1) Find a vulnerable input field
- 2) Enter a command in the input field
- 3) Send the command
- 4) Get the file

Try it: https://ctf.cyberchallenge.it/challenges#challenge-1

File Disclosure - Path traversal attack

Path traversal is a vulnerability that leads to a file disclosure. It happens when a user is able to control the arguments of a function that reads files (e.g. open()).

If there are no security checks or sanitizations, an attacker could inject paths that are not meant to be read.

Try it: https://ctf.cyberchallenge.it/challenges#challenge-3

File Disclosure - Other methods

Sometimes the attacker doesn't need to do anything, because people commit errors.

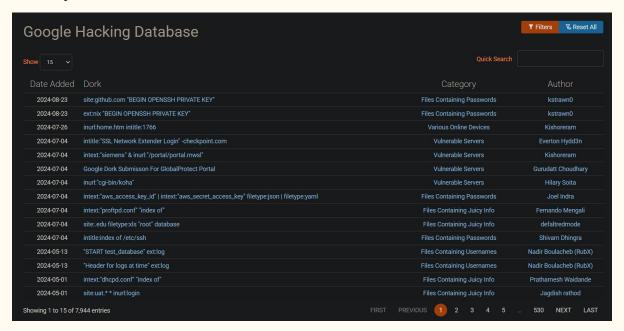
It's common to find online, open to every user on the internet, reserved informations related to: government agencies, banks, private servers and many more...

There are multiple ways to discover these files:

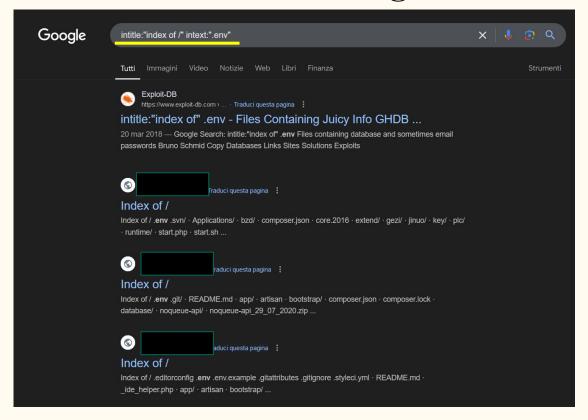
- <u>Google Dorks</u> (if indexed by Google)
- Paths busting/scanning (<u>Gobuster</u>)

File Disclosure - Google Dorks

It works under the assumption that if a file is accessible by a public URL a crawler (Google) eventually will find it.



File Disclosure - Google Dorks



```
0 8
 [common]
 curl web='http://
                                     com/api/v1 0 0'
plc web='http://f
api key='wsqa6ewi
key='cc986ewiuaeerfghjyu12oopium368gd'
version='2.0.0'
 [database]
hostname= '192.168.2.162'
 dbname= 'degou'
username= 'root'
password= 'dg!@#123'
hostport= '3306'
prefix= 'dg '
 [register]
address= '192.168.2.159:1238'
lanIp= '192.168.2.159'
 [register gezi]
address='192.168.2.159:2288'
lanIp='192.168.2.159'
[register plc]
address= '192.168.2.159:3288'
lanIp='192.168.2.159'
[database plc]
hostname='192.168.2.162'
dbname='factory'
username='root'
password='dg!@#123'
hostport='3306'
prefix='new_'
 [register bzd]
address= '192.168.2.159:3538'
lanIp='192.168.2.159'
[database bzd]
hostname='192.168.2.162'
dbname='degou'
username='root'
password='dg!@#123'
hostport='3306'
prefix='dg '
 [register yiyong]
address= '192.168.2.159:3338'
lanIp='192.168.2.159'
 [database yiyong]
hostname='192.168.2.162'
dbname='degou'
username='root'
password='dg!@#123'
hostport='3306'
```

File Disclosure - Paths busting

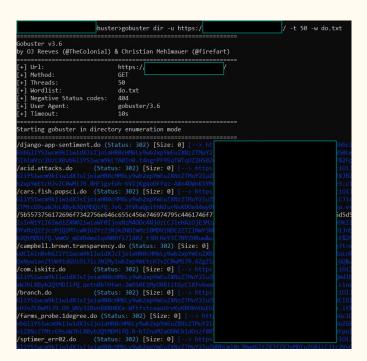
A website created using a known framework or that follows *best practice* will have a list of folders and files named in a standard way, such as: robots.txt, config.toml, .env and others...

If the attacker has specific informations on the target it could try plausible combinations (dictionary attack), otherwise a brute-force attack could be used (not recommended because of the "noise" it generates).

File Disclosure - Gobuster

Source: https://github.com/OJ/gobuster

It's a tool used to brute-force URLs, DNS subdomains, Amazon S3 buckets, etc...





Server-Side Request Forgery

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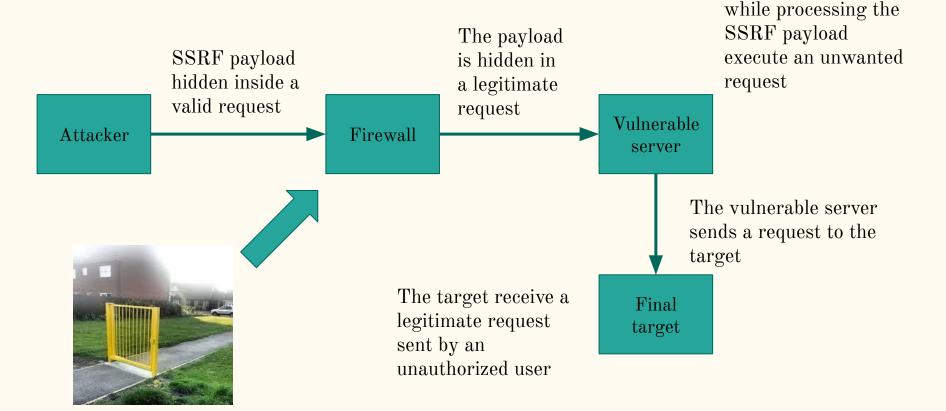
Source: https://portswigger.net/web-security/ssrf

A Server-Side Request Forgery (SSRF) is a vulnerability in which an attacker is able to send a request from a remote application.

The attacker might cause the target to make a connection to a service available only to them (i.e. intranet server, service that require authentication) or force a connection to arbitrary systems.

If successful, an SSRF can result in unauthorized access to sensible data or the execution of restricted actions.

Server-Side Request Forgery



The vulnerable server

Server-Side Request Forgery

In order to find an SSRF, you should:

- Find a suspicious endpoint, a field where you can insert a custom URL controlled by you
- Check if you have pingback, if yes then probably you have an SSRF otherwise you may still have an SSRF but it will be more difficult
- Checking the response time based on the provided input could help

Try it: https://ctf.cyberchallenge.it/challenges#challenge-6

Remember this? Same input but different results...

HTTP Overview - URLencoding

There is a problem:





```
> console.log(new URL('http://exa mple.com').origin)
http://exa%20mple.com
<- undefined
```



```
Welcome to Node.js v20.13.1.
Type ".help" for more information.
> console.log(new URL('http://exa mple.com').origin)
Uncaught TypeError: Invalid URL
    at new URL (node:internal/url:797:36) {
    code: 'ERR_INVALID_URL',
    input: 'http://exa mple.com'
}
```

https://www.blackhat.com/docs/us-17/thursday/us-17-Tsai-A-New-Era-Of-SSRF-Exploiting-URL-Parser-In-Trending-Programming-Languages.pdf

Even though <u>URL is a standard</u>, it turns out the implementation of URL parsers is not the same in different languages and libraries.

Example:

```
http://1.1.1.1 &@2.2.2.2# @3.3.3.3/
urllib2 and httplib: http://1.1.1.1/
requests: http://2.2.2.2/
urllib: http://3.3.3.3/
```

Example:

```
http://127.0.0.1:11211:80/
readfile(PHP) and Perl LWP: http://127.0.0.1:11211/
parse url(PHP) and Perl URI: http://127.0.0.1:80/
```

Example:

```
http://google.com#@evil.com/
parse_url(PHP): http://google.com/
readfile(PHP): http://evil.com/
```

The End

