

Portswigger Labs—Race conditions

Race conditions lab needs burp suite 2023.9 or later version.

The screenshot shows the PortSwigger Labs interface. On the left is a blue sidebar with navigation links: 'Back to all topics', 'What is a race condition?', 'Limit overrun race conditions' (selected), 'Hidden multi-step sequences', 'Methodology', 'Multi-endpoint race conditions', 'Single-endpoint race conditions', 'Session-based locking mechanisms', 'Partial construction race conditions', 'Time-sensitive attacks', 'Preventing race conditions', and 'View all race condition labs'. The main content area is titled 'Lab: Limit overrun race conditions' and is marked as 'APPRENTICE' and 'Solved'. It contains the following text: 'This lab's purchasing flow contains a race condition that enables you to purchase items for an unintended price. To solve the lab, successfully purchase a **Lightweight L33t Leather Jacket**. You can log in to your account with the following credentials: `wiener:peter`.' Below this is a 'Note' box stating 'Solving this lab requires Burp Suite 2023.9 or higher.' At the bottom of the lab description is an 'ACCESS THE LAB' button. A 'Solution' section is partially visible at the bottom.

Limit overrun race conditions

In this section, we need to purchase a **Lightweight L33t Leather Jacket** which costs \$1337, far beyond our credits — \$50.

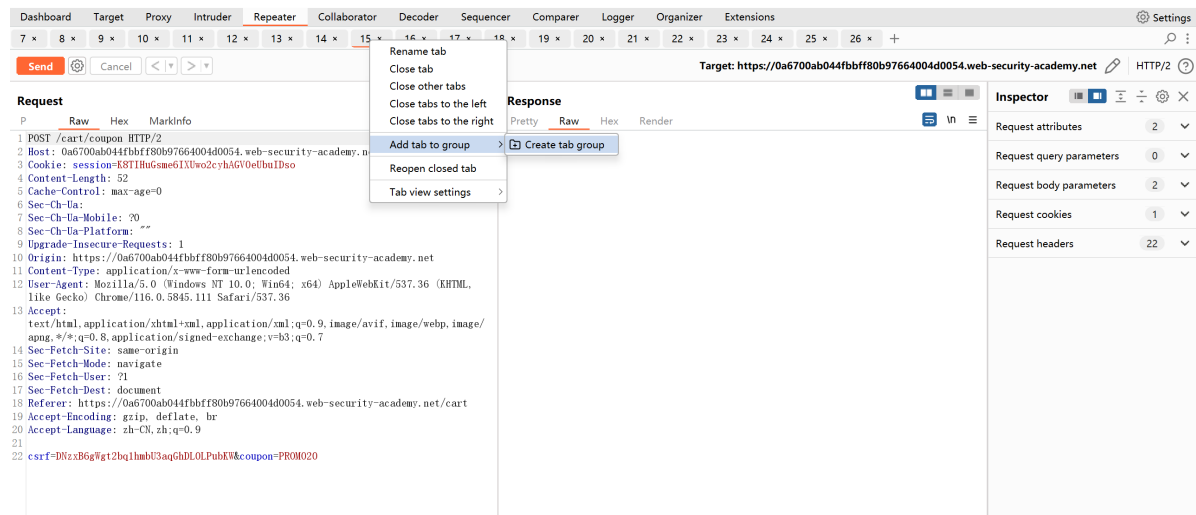
I add a jacket to my card and apply the code. We can see that there is 20% off and the traffic is following:

The screenshot is split into two parts. The left part shows the WebSecurity Academy purchasing interface. It displays a 'Store credit' of \$50.00 and a 'Cart' containing one item: 'Lightweight "L33t" Leather Jacket' for \$1337.00. A coupon code 'PROMO20' is applied, resulting in a 'Reduction' of -\$267.40 and a 'Total' of \$1069.60. The right part shows a Burp Suite traffic capture. The 'Intercept' tab is active, showing a list of HTTP requests. The request at index 427 is selected, showing a 'GET' request to 'https://0a6700ab044fbbf80b97664004d0054.web-security-academy.net/cart' with a 'Cookie' containing 'c=srf=D0zxb6gWgt2bq1hmbt3aqGhDL0LPubKw&coupon=PROMO20'. The 'Response' tab shows a '200 OK' response with a 'Content-Type' of 'application/x-www-form-urlencoded' and a 'Content-Length' of 14. The response body is 'Coupon applied'.

The server returned `Coupon applied`. Is it possible to combine the utilization of coupons to accomplish the ultimate objective of a successful purchase?

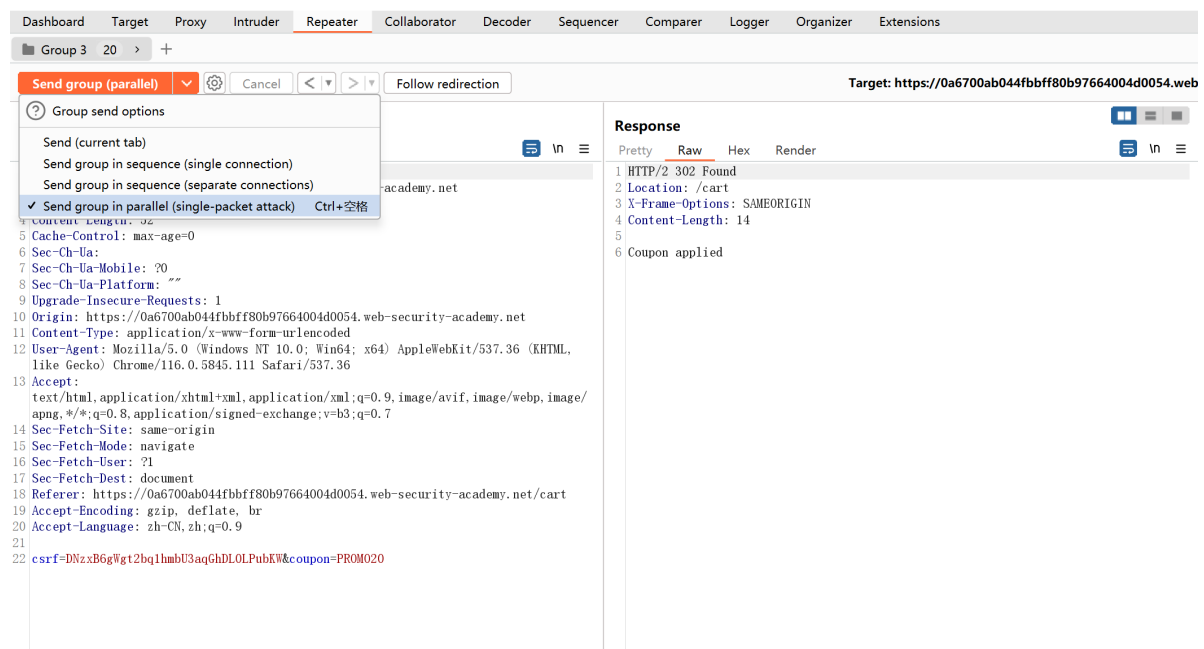
Let's make it.

I press CTRL+R to send `/cart/coupon` request to repeater:

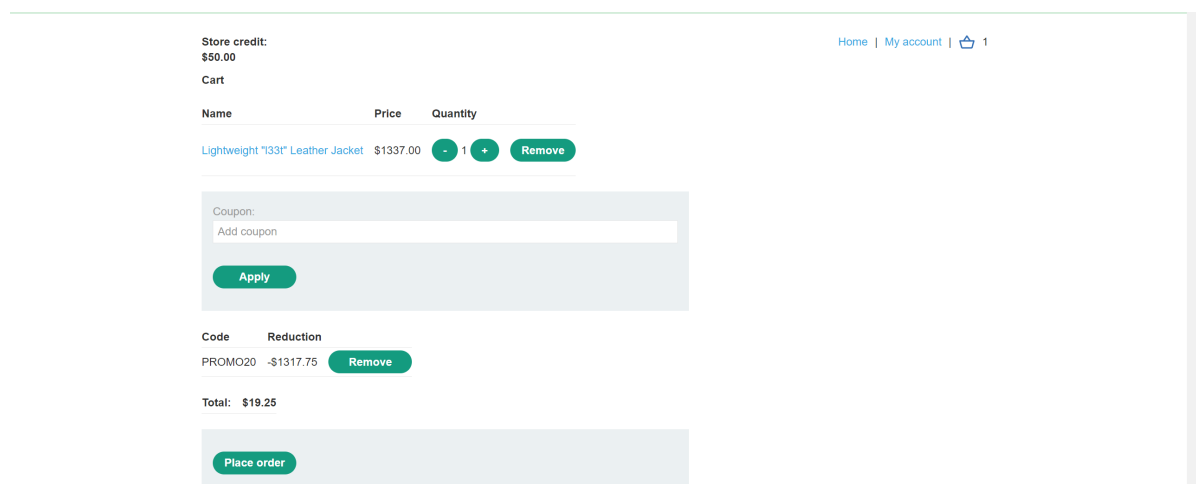


Next step is adding all tabs to a group after sending twenty requests.

Select `send group in parallel(single-packet attack)` and send group:



Now we make it possible to purchase the jacket just in price of \$19.25(remove the code and attempt several more times if failed):

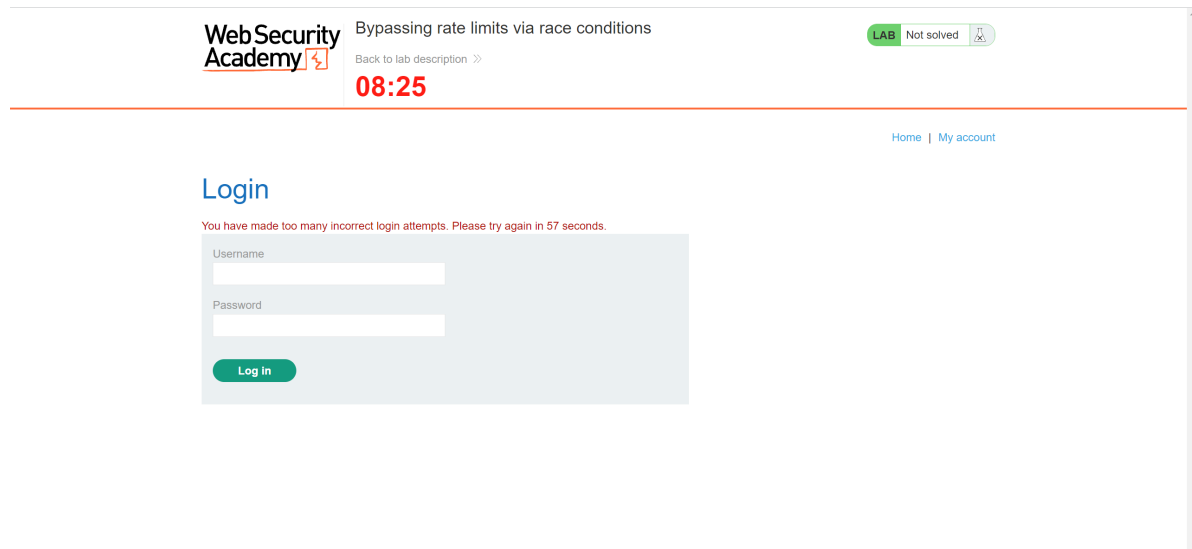


Place order and get a pass.

Bypassing rate limits via race conditions

The goal is to login in with carlos by brute-force and delete the user carlos finally.

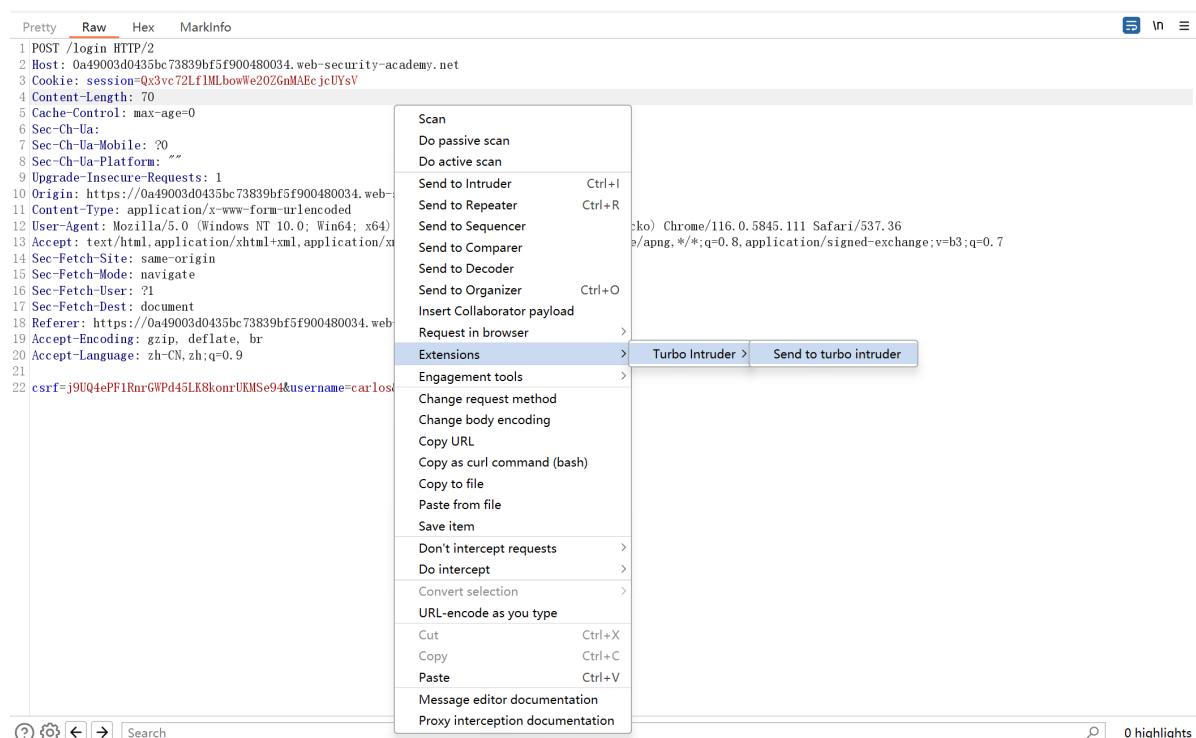
First off, I try to login with random passwords manually to test the limitation of the server, and it locked my attempt for one minute after 5 times:



Come across such a situation, a wonder surfaces in my mind naturally that if breaking restrictions is achievable through race conditions?

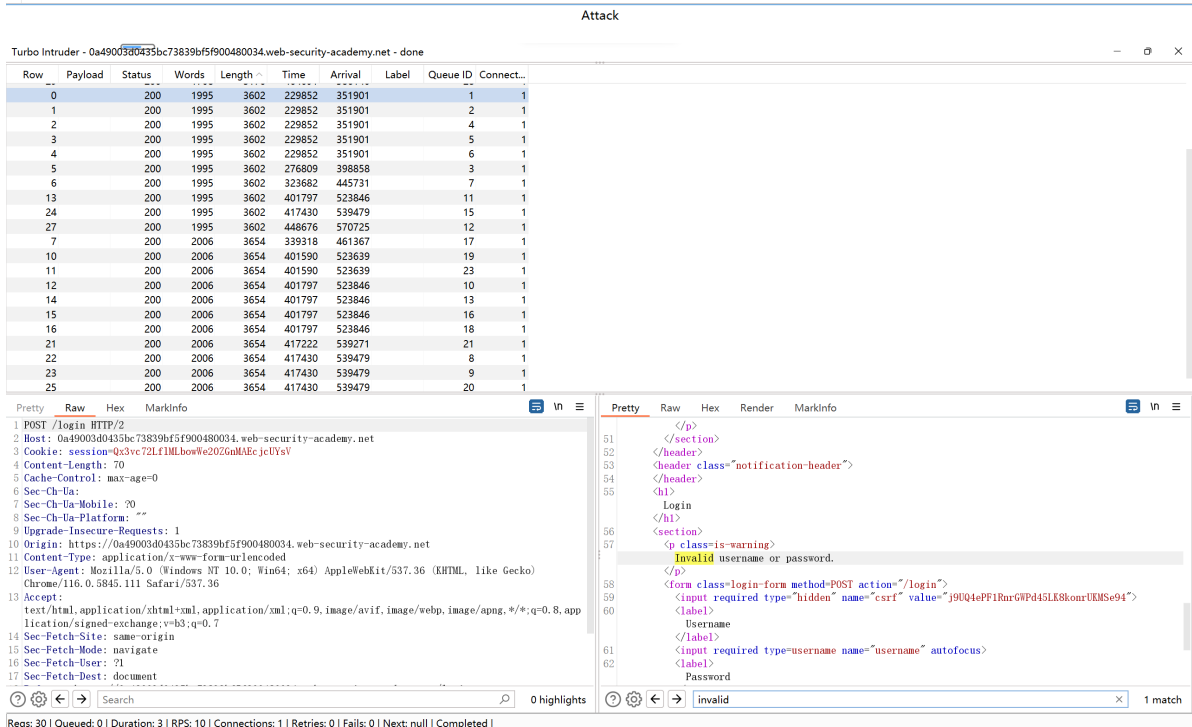
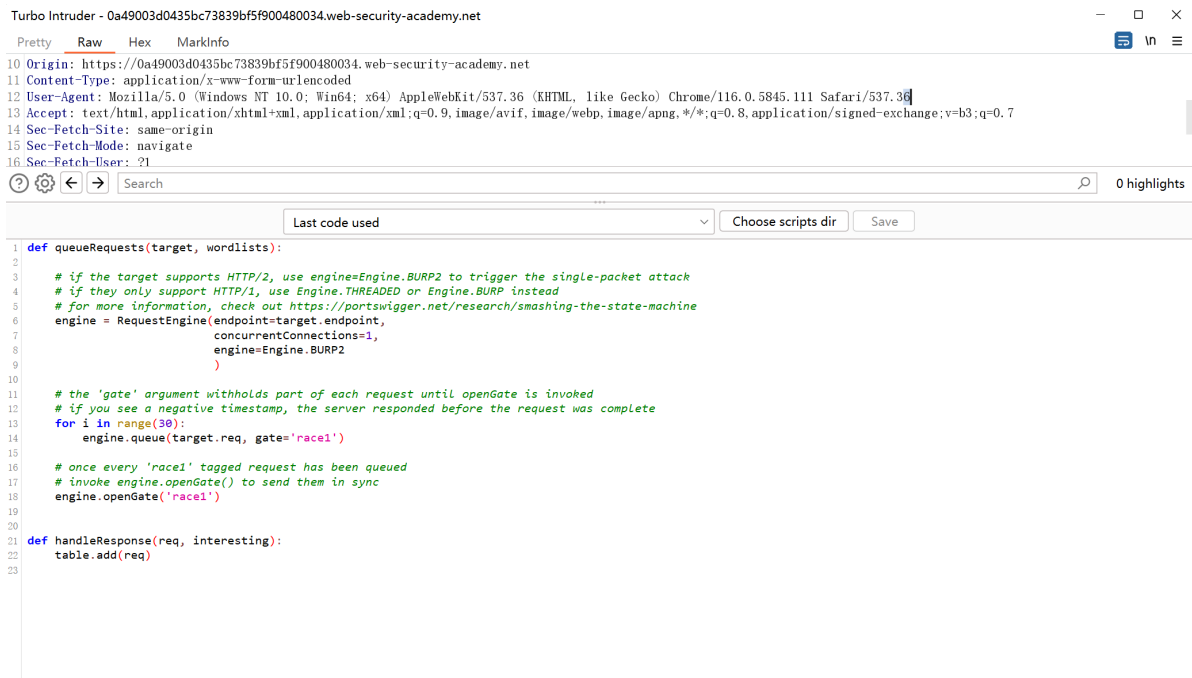
Let's have a try:

Right-click the login request and choose send to turbo intruder:



Then select a segment of content for use of %s in which I prefer UA headers.

Attack!



The responses with a packet length of 3602 indicate valid attempts, not you are blocked.

Evidently, now we can attempt more than five times, effectively bypass the limit. So, next step is choosing appropriate scripts and make your own password list, without further ado, let's run into next part of the lab.

Multi-endpoint race conditions

To solve the lab, successfully purchase a **Lightweight L33t Leather Jacket**. The difference is that we don't have access to coupons.

How to make it? Let's dig deeper.

To initiate the purchase of a jacket, we start by adding one gift card to the shopping cart. Simultaneously, we employ concurrent actions to add a jacket to the cart and proceed to the checkout process.

Your email address is `wiener@exploit-0a0b009f03f273c882655a3e01870006.exploit-server.net`

Displaying all emails @exploit-0a0b009f03f273c882655a3e01870006.exploit-server.net and all subdomains

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Click on carlos's link, and now we possess administrative privileges.

That's all!