VulnWebApp (VWA) Security Report

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VWA210907a - login-system - Critical

Vulnerability Exploited: login-system

Severity: Critical

System: VWA Web Application

Vulnerability Explanation:

Pw was too simple to guess thus easily discoverable with automated tools, and no rate limit was detected for login trials. OWASP A2.

Vulnerability Walk-thru:

Found how the login page sends username and pw to the server.



Ran a script to try pws against a wordlist.

```
[-] Login Failed! {'username': 'guest', 'password': 'cowboy'}
[-] Login Failed! {'username': 'guest', 'password': 'richard'}
[-] Login Found! {'username': 'guest', 'password': 'richard'}
[+] Login Found! {'username': 'guest', 'password': 'orange'}
This is a demo code used for this training.
root@a7586931f9f5:/home/workspace/tools# python bruteforce.py -U top-usern
ames-shortlist.txt -P top-passwords-shortlist.txt -d username=^USR^:passwo
rd=^PWD^ -m post -f Failed http://0.0.0.0:3000/login
```

Recommendations:

Implement a pw strength policy and rate limit login trials.

VWA210907b - session-role-cookie - Critical

Vulnerability Exploited: session-role-cookie

Severity: Critical

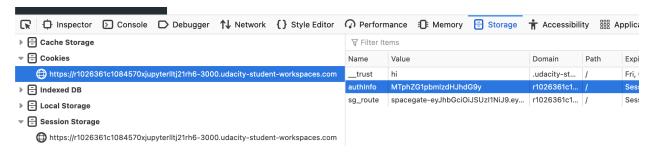
System: VWA Web Application

Vulnerability Explanation:

Permissions to retrieve data from server are based on roles and roles are assigned and persisted with a session cookie found vulnerable to deserialization attempts. OWASP A8.

Vulnerability Walk-thru:

Identified session cookie.



Assigned new role to session at cookie level.

```
File "performbase64.py", line 22, in <module>
    decode(args.string)
File "performbase64.py", line 11, in decode
    message_bytes = base64.b64decode(base64_bytes)
File "/opt/conda/lib/python3.6/base64.py", line 87, in b64decode
    return binascii.a2b_base64(s)
binascii.Error: Incorrect padding
root@a7586931f9f5:/home/workspace/tools# python3 performbase64.py "1:admin"

MTphZG1pbg==
root@a7586931f9f5:/home/workspace/tools#
```

Recommendations:

Check for insecure descrialization and implement better access control to mitigate privilege escalation risks.

VWA210907c - messaging-section-xss - High

Vulnerability Exploited: messaging-section-xss

Severity: High

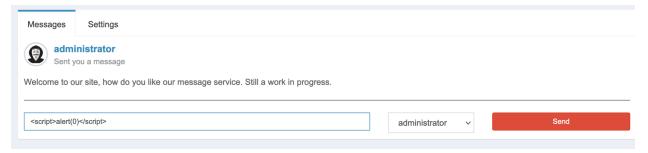
System: VWA Web Application

Vulnerability Explanation:

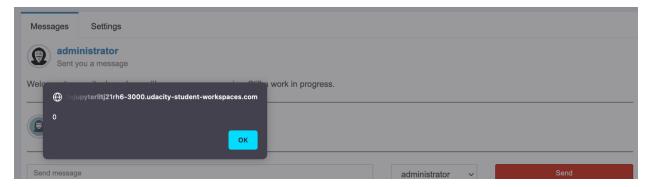
Messaging section includes a form vulnerable to xss as shown below, thus sensitive payloads or session data is exfiltrable and the attack would be difficult to log. OWASP A7.

Vulnerability Walk-thru:

Tried to inject a js script.



Confirmed it worked as expected.



Recommendations:

Sanitize inputs from users and arginate xss risks at code level.

VWA210907d - listable-sysadmins - Medium

Vulnerability Exploited: listable-sysadmins

Severity: Medium

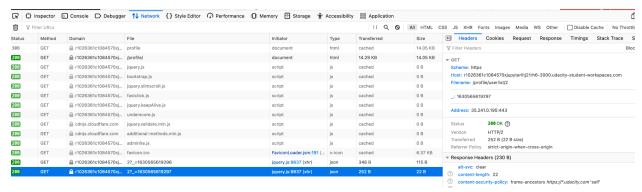
System: VWA Web Application

Vulnerability Explanation:

Access control for listing users (and admins) is broken and a full list of admins' usernames is obtainable. OWASP A5.

Vulnerability Walk-thru:

Found how client requests users list.



Tried to change a parameter and circumvented access control.



Recommendations:

Better enforce access control when serving sensitive information.

VWA210907e - customers-pws-md5 - Medium

Vulnerability Exploited: custumers-pws-md5

Severity: Medium

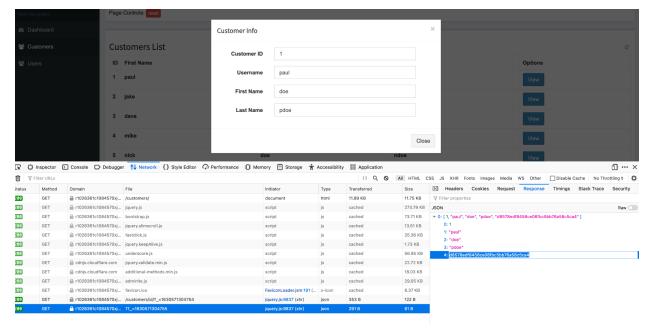
System: VWA Web Application

Vulnerability Explanation:

Found sensitive data (weakly hashed customers' pws) was served to client for no reason. OWASP A3.

Vulnerability Walk-thru:

Analized server response and found hashed object, cracked.



Recommendations:

Serve back info to client on a need-to-know bases and store sensitive pws hashed with stronger and more up to date algorithms (ie sha256 w/salting).

VWA210907f - cookies-settings - Low

Vulnerability Exploited: cookies-settings

Severity: Low

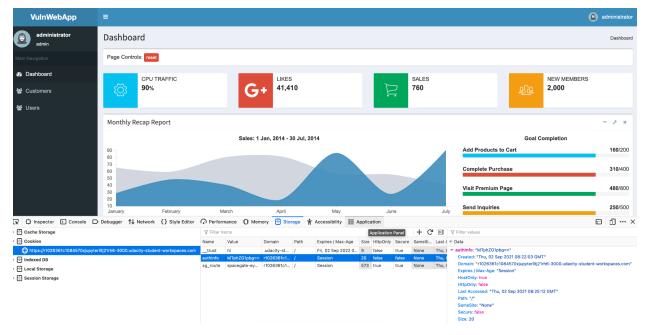
System: VWA Web Application

Vulnerability Explanation:

Session cookies not flagged as 'secure' and their usage not restricted to parent site. OWASP A6.

Vulnerability Walk-thru:

Checked for session cookies' properties.



Recommendations:

Help reducing the attack surface by preventing cross-site usage of session cookies and allow them to be sent over https only.