

Secure Application Development CTF

Walkthrough

Overview

- The CTF is accessible at <http://orgctf.onrender.com/>
- There are 14 Unique flags that are to be collected based on 14 different vulnerabilities.
- The flags are to be submitted in this [Google form](#)
- The Flag begins with the word "ORG{".
 - Example - ORG{This_is_an_example_flag}
 - Note - You need to submit the complete flag - ORG{This_is_an_example_flag}

Challenge 1

OrgCTF - Secure Development Training Initiative



This CTF is being organized to teach Secure Development Practices to Developers

There are multiple challenges in this CTF. After completing each challenge, you will find a unique Flag.

Example - ORG{This_is_an_example_flag}

You are expected to find all the flags and submit in this [Google Form](#).

Good Luck!

Here is your first Challenge

Task - Try to visit a "txt file used to manage crawler traffic to your site"

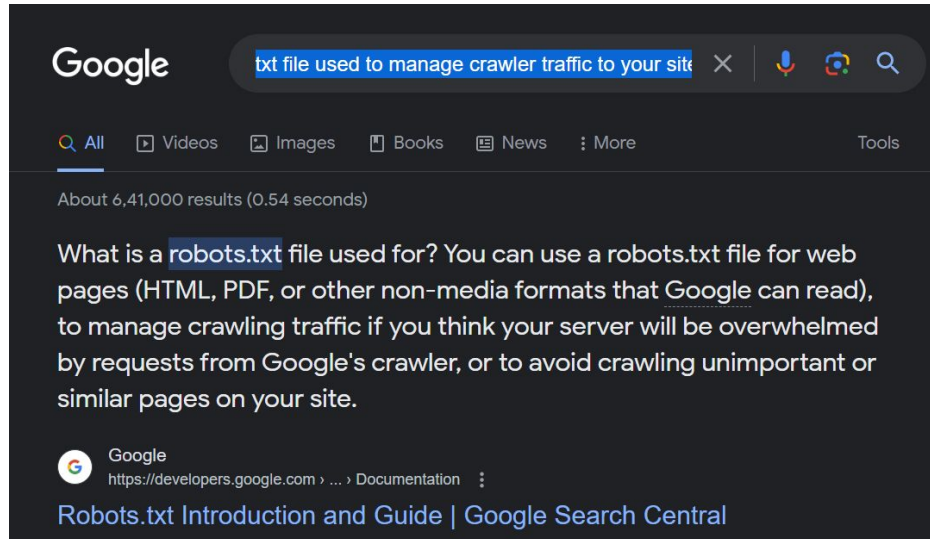
URL - <http://orgctf.onrender.com/>

Description - Try to visit a "txt file used to manage crawler traffic to your site"

Hint - [Click Here](#)

Solution

- > The challenge expects you to do a simple google search “txt file used to manage crawler traffic to your site”
- > On doing this, one will get to know about a file, robots.txt
- > This file is used to manage crawling traffic. Website owners can allow/disallow bots from crawling specific URLs



Solution

> Once, you get to know of this file, try to access the same on our CTF site - <http://orgctf.onrender.com/robots.txt>

```
# Congrats! You did it!

# This is a robots.txt file
# It contains URLs that developers want Search Engines to avoid from crawling
# If any endpoint is added in "Disallow", Search Engines will not crawl it

User-agent: *
Disallow: /admin

# This is your first flag - ORG{robots.txt_can_leak_sensitive_endpoints} - Copy & Paste this is the google form

# Try to use the above information to move forward!!
```

> Here, you get your first flag - ORG{robots.txt_can_leak_sensitive_endpoints}

Challenge 2

```
# Congrats! You did it!

# This is a robots.txt file
# It contains URLs that developers want Search Engines to avoid from crawling
# If any endpoint is added in "Disallow", Search Engines will not crawl it

User-agent: *
Disallow: /admin

# This is your first flag - ORG{robots.txt_can_leak_sensitive_endpoints} - Copy & Paste this is the google form

# Try to use the above information to move forward!!
```

URL - <http://orgctf.onrender.com/robots.txt>

Description - Try to use the above information to move forward!!

Solution

- > This challenge is an extension of the first one. It expects you to use the information revealed in challenge 1
- > In the exposed robots.txt file, you get to know there is a “/admin” path on the webserver that is disallowed for all User agents.
- > Once, you get to know of this path, try to access the same on our CTF site - <http://orgctf.onrender.com/admin>

Congrats! Here is your next flag - `ORG{admin_panel_should_not_be_public}`



Default Admin Panel

Try to login here!!

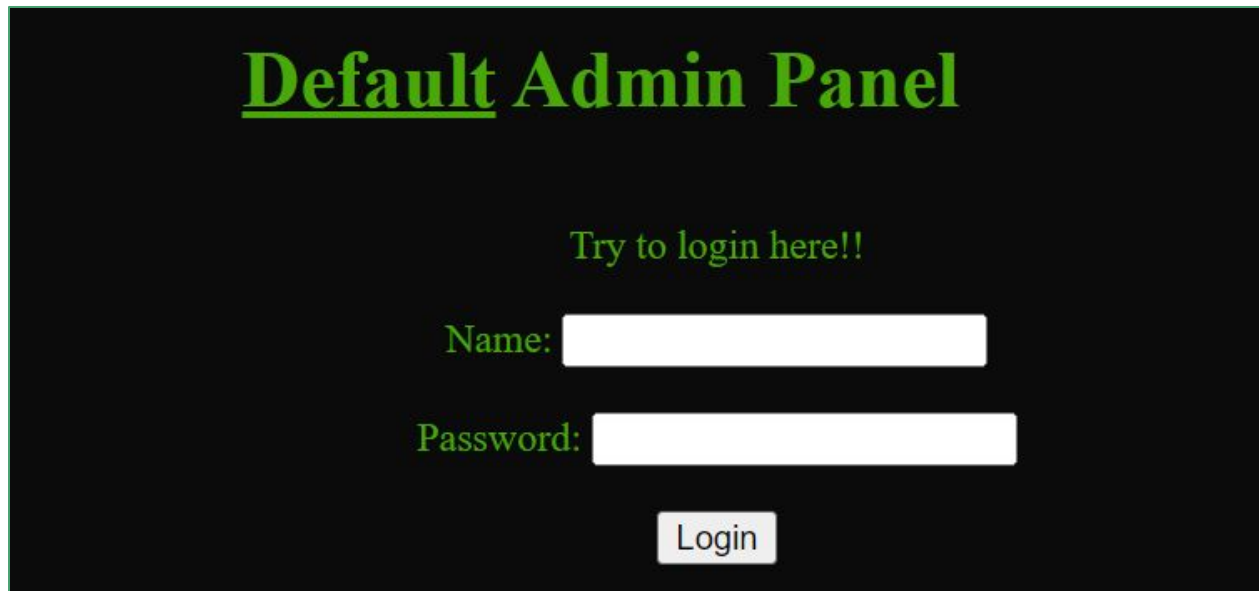
Name:

Password:

Login

- > Here, you get your second flag - `ORG{admin_panel_should_not_be_public}`

Challenge 3



The screenshot shows a black rectangular area representing a web page. At the top, the text **Default Admin Panel** is displayed in a green, serif font. Below this, the instruction 'Try to login here!!' is written in the same green font. Further down, there are two white input fields. The first is preceded by the label 'Name:' and the second by 'Password:', both in green. At the bottom center, there is a white rectangular button with the word 'Login' in black text.

URL - <http://orgctf.onrender.com/admin>

Description - Try to login here!!

Hint - A web page runs on it source code!! *Cntrl+U*

Solution

- > This challenge expects you to login to the portal by guessing/revealing the credentials.
- > On reading the hint, you get to know you need to view the source code of the webpage. There, it is clearly visible that the credentials are admin:admin

```
<script>
function validateform(){
var name=document.myform.name.value;
var password=document.myform.password.value;
var login_flag=document.myform.login_flag.value;

if (name == "admin" && password == "admin"){
    alert("Success!! You cracked the credentials! Dashboard is now accessible! ");
}else if (name==null || name==""){
    alert("Name can't be blank");

}else if(password==null || password==""){
    alert("Password can't be blank.");

} else{
    alert("Wrong credentials");
}
}
```

- > Login using the found credentials to get your third flag -
ORG{strong_credentials_should_be_used}

Wow! you did it!!!

Here is your flag - ORG{strong_credentials_should_be_used}



Time to solve the below challenges now!

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Now, all the challenges are individual and can be solved in any order

URL - <http://orgctf.onrender.com/dashboard>

Challenge 4 - PII Leak

Welcome to Org Orders

The flag for this challenge will be achieved in two parts

For Part 1, find out the first 4 digits of Card number of Aman

For Part 2, Export all PII data to excel

Join the Part 1(a) and Part 2(b) to get final flag. Like - ORG{a_b}

Id	Name	Email	Phone	Order Id	Card No
1	aman	aman@gmail.com	9913371337	ORD-987	XXXX-XXXX-XXXX-XXXX
2	Ashish	ashi@gmail.com	9976545322	ORD-123	3084-9987-6676-8765
3	Rani	raniyadav@gmail.com	8796765415	ORD-542	2882-7676-9988-3421
4	hemant	coolhemant@gmail.com	7658907687	ORD-765	8787-1235-7089-5454

Export All PII

URL - <http://orgctf.onrender.com/orders>

Description - The flag for this challenge will be achieved in two parts
For Part 1, find out the first 4 digits of Card number of Aman
For Part 2, Export all PII data to excel
Join the Part 1(a) and Part 2(b) to get final flag. Like - ORG{a_b}

Solution

- > This challenge is to be completed in 2 parts. For Part1, we have to find out the first 4 digits of Card number of Aman.
- > On viewing the table, we see card number of Aman is masked. We need to see the unmasked data.
- > We view the source code of the page, to find out the card masking is being done by JS on frontend. Hence, card number can be seen in unmasked form in the source.

```
31 <table id="pii">
32   <tr>
33     <th>Id</th>
34     <th>Name</th>
35     <th>Email</th>
36     <th>Phone</th>
37     <th>Order Id</th>
38     <th>Card No</th>
39   </tr>
40   <tr>
41     <td>1</td>
42     <td>aman</td>
43     <td>aman@gmail.com</td>
44     <td>9913371337</td>
45     <td>ORD-987</td>
46     <td><div id="task">1337-9987-9988-7676</div></td>
47   </tr>
48 </table>
```

- > We get our first part of the flag - 1337

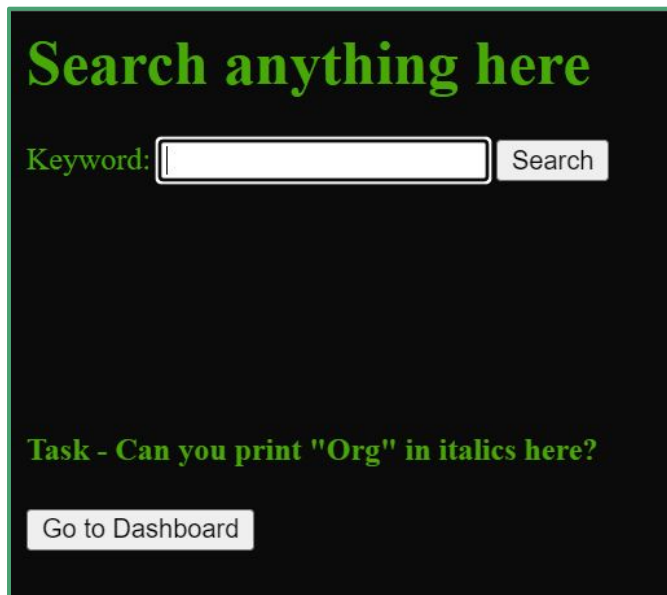
Solution

- > For Part2, we have to Export all PII data to excel.
- > On clicking the Export PII button, we are asked to stop immediately and informed Bulk downloading of PII is strictly forbidden.



- > We get our second part of the flag - PII_should_be_handled_with_care
- > Hence, we can for our complete flag by combining Part 1 and Part 2 -
ORG{1337_PII_should_be_handled_with_care}

Challenge 5 - Inject Me



Search anything here

Keyword:

Task - Can you print "Org" in italics here?

URL - <http://orgctf.onrender.com/search>

Description - Can you print "Org" in italics here?

Hint - [Click here](#)

Solution

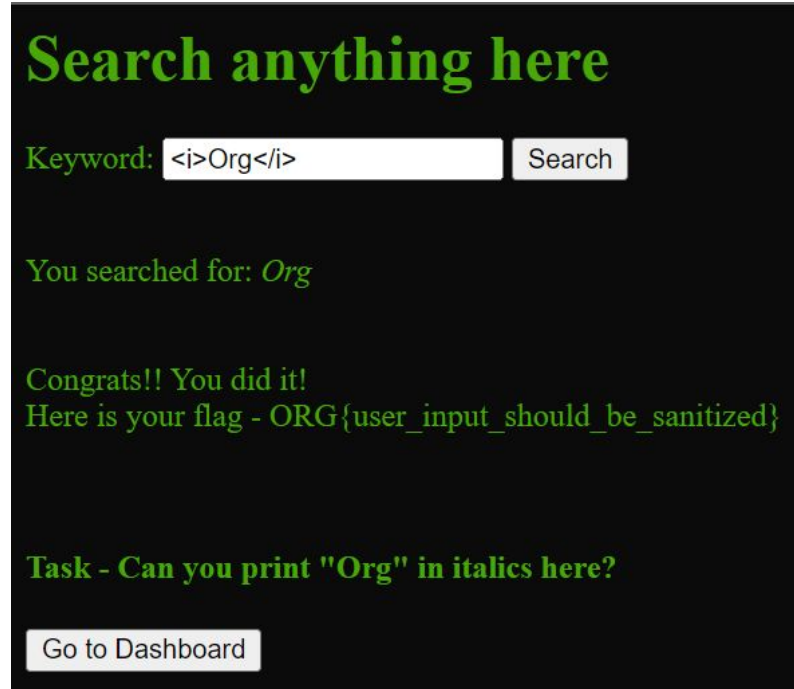
- > This challenge expects you to print "Org" in italics. This can be done in HTML by using "i" tag -> `<i>Org</i>`
- > On reading the hint, you get to confirm the same.
- > On the challenge page, you find a search box. Let's type "test" and click on Search button



- > We can see, the same keyword "test" is reflected back on the webpage

Solution

> Now, that we know whatever we type is reflected on the webpage, let's search for - `<i>Org</i>`



Search anything here

Keyword:

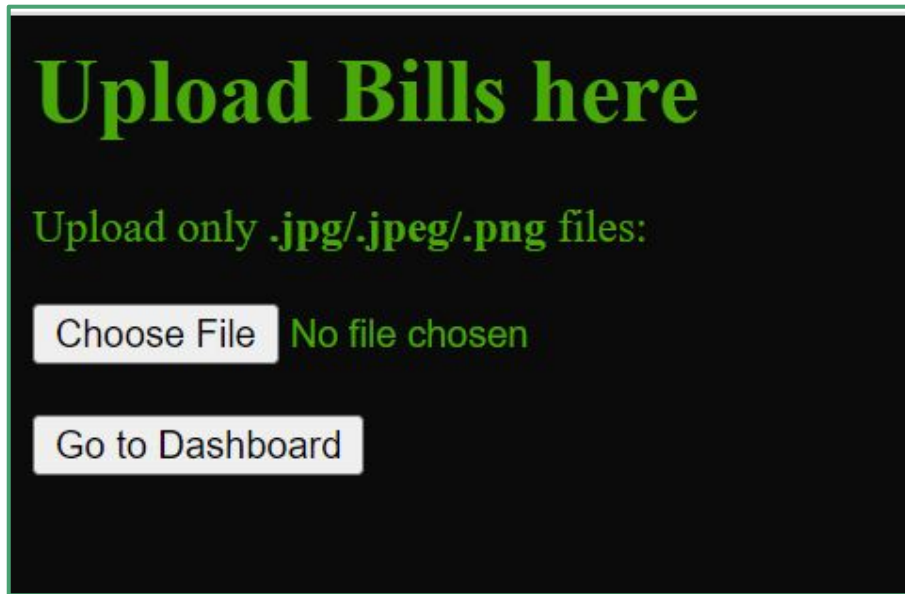
You searched for: *Org*

Congrats!! You did it!
Here is your flag - `ORG{user_input_should_be_sanitized}`

Task - Can you print "Org" in italics here?

> Here we see Org is successfully printed in italics and we get our fifth flag - `ORG{user_input_should_be_sanitized}`

Challenge 6 - File Upload



Upload Bills here

Upload only .jpg/.jpeg/.png files:

No file chosen

URL - <http://orgctf.onrender.com/upload>

Description - Upload only .jpg/.jpeg/.png files:

Hint - Try a disallowed filetype

Solution

- > This challenge expects you to try to upload a disallowed filetype.
- > Try uploading a test.php file. [create a dummy file in your system]
- > On doing this we get a popup - Invalid file type! Wow, you tried something different!



- > That's it, on clicking OK, we can get our sixth flag - ORG{files_should_be_validated}

Challenge 7 - Server Response Header Misconfiguration

Response headers are very crucial for any application.

Go check the headers of this page to find your next flag!

Go to Dashboard

URL - <http://orgctf.onrender.com/response>

Description - Go check the headers of this page to find your next flag!

Hint - [Click Here](#)

Solution

- > This challenge expects you to view the headers of the webpage.
- > You can do this by going to the Networks tab in your browser or by hitting a curl - “curl -I http://orgctf.onrender.com/response”

```
C:\Users\mayank.raheja>curl -I http://127.0.0.1:4000/response
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
X-Powered-By: Express
Server1: IIS/7.0
Server2: Response headers can leak server versions! They should be hidden on production. Btw, here is your next flag - ORG{server_version_should_be_hidden}
Accept-Ranges: bytes
Cache-Control: public, max-age=0
Last-Modified: Thu, 25 Apr 2024 12:40:08 GMT
ETag: W/"310-18f154536b9"
Content-Type: text/html; charset=UTF-8
Content-Length: 784
Date: Fri, 26 Apr 2024 15:43:11 GMT
Connection: keep-alive
Keep-Alive: timeout=5
```

- > Here we get our seventh flag - ORG{server_version_should_be_hidden}

Challenge 8 - Error Stack Trace



HTTP Status 400 – Bad Request

Type Exception Report

Message Invalid character found in the request target. The valid characters are defined in RFC 7230 and RFC 3986

Description The server cannot or will not process the request due to something that is perceived to be a client error (e.g., malformed request syntax, invalid request message framing, or deceptive request routing).

Exception

```
java.lang.IllegalArgumentException: Invalid character found in the request target. The valid characters are defined in RFC 7230 and RFC 3986
    org.apache.coyote.http11.Http11InputBuffer.parseRequestLine(Http11InputBuffer.java:483)
    org.apache.coyote.http11.Http11Processor.service(Http11Processor.java:502)
    org.apache.coyote.AbstractProcessorLight.process(AbstractProcessorLight.java:65)
    org.apache.coyote.AbstractProtocol$ConnectionHandler.process(AbstractProtocol.java:810)
    org.apache.tomcat.util.net.NioEndpoint$SocketProcessor.doRun(NioEndpoint.java:1623)
    org.apache.tomcat.util.net.SocketProcessorBase.run(SocketProcessorBase.java:49)
    java.util.concurrent.ThreadPoolExecutor.runWorker(ThreadPoolExecutor.java:1149)
    java.util.concurrent.ThreadPoolExecutor$Worker.run(ThreadPoolExecutor.java:624)
    org.apache.tomcat.util.threads.TaskThread$WrappingRunnable.run(TaskThread.java:61)
    java.lang.Thread.run(Thread.java:748)
```

Note The full stack trace of the root cause is available in the server logs.

Apache Tomcat/8.5.50

As it can be seen, errors if not handled properly can leak sensitive information

URL - <http://orgctf.onrender.com/error>

Solution

- > This challenge is created to make you aware about error stack trace vulnerability leaking sensitive information.
- > No task is to be performed here.

A screenshot of a web browser displaying an Apache Tomcat error page. The top of the page has a dark blue header with the text "Apache Tomcat/8.5.50" in white. Below the header, the page content is black with green text. The text reads: "As it can be seen, errors if not handled properly can leak sensitive information" followed by "Here is your next flag - ORG{all_errors_should_be_handled}" on the next line.

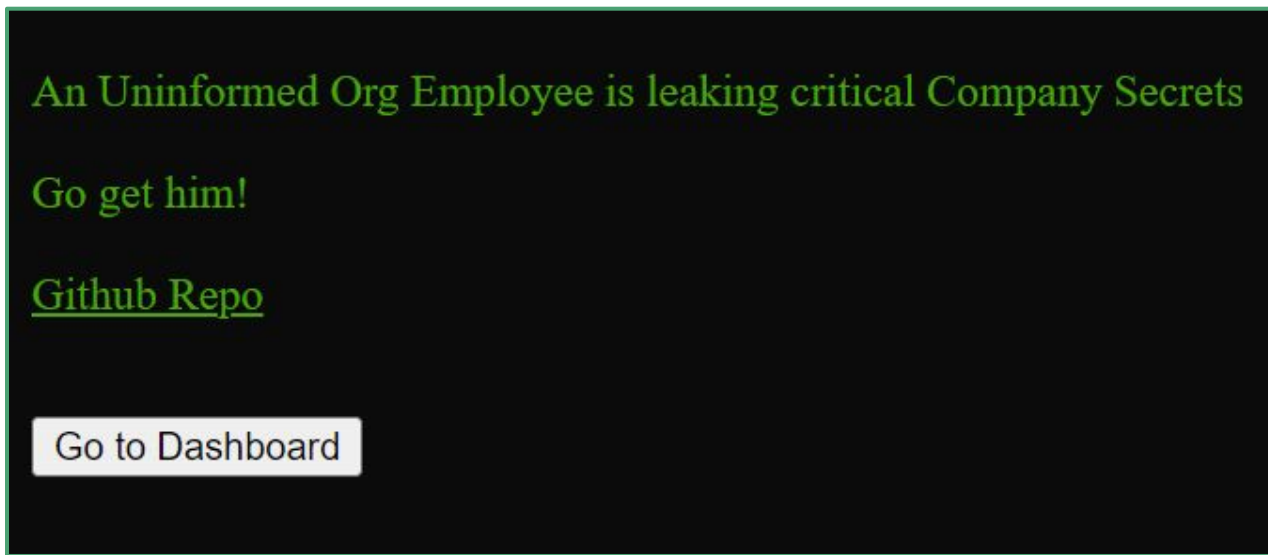
Apache Tomcat/8.5.50

As it can be seen, errors if not handled properly can leak sensitive information

Here is your next flag - ORG{all_errors_should_be_handled}

- > Here we get our eighth flag - ORG{all_errors_should_be_handled}

Challenge 9 - Secrets leaked

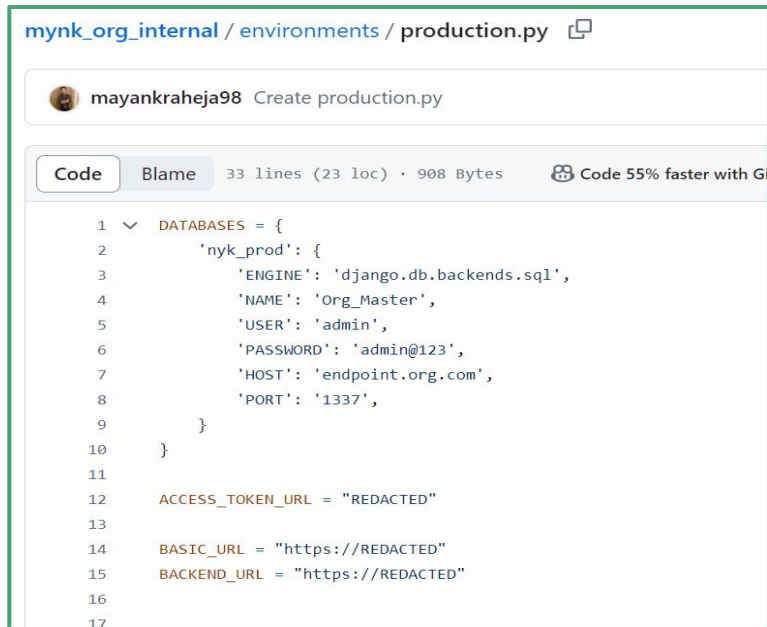


URL - <http://orgctf.onrender.com/github>

Description - An Uninformed ORG Employee is leaking critical Company Secrets. Go get him!

Solution

- > This challenge is created to make you aware about developers leaking sensitive information in code.
- > Open the github repo link provided -> Open the production.py file in environments directory.
- > There it can be seen the user has hardcoded DB username, password, host, S3 bucket and other details.

A screenshot of a GitHub repository file view for a file named 'production.py' located in the 'environments' directory of the 'mynk_org_internal' repository. The file is owned by 'mayankraheja98'. The interface shows tabs for 'Code', 'Blame', and file statistics: '33 lines (23 loc) · 908 Bytes'. A badge indicates 'Code 55% faster with G'. The code is a Python dictionary for database configurations. Lines 1-10 define 'DATABASES' with a nested dictionary for 'nyk_prod' containing engine, name, user, password, host, and port. Lines 12-14 show 'ACCESS_TOKEN_URL', 'BASIC_URL', and 'BACKEND_URL' all set to 'https://REDACTED'.

```
1  DATABASES = {  
2      'nyk_prod': {  
3          'ENGINE': 'django.db.backends.sql',  
4          'NAME': 'Org_Master',  
5          'USER': 'admin',  
6          'PASSWORD': 'admin@123',  
7          'HOST': 'endpoint.org.com',  
8          'PORT': '1337',  
9      }  
10 }  
11  
12 ACCESS_TOKEN_URL = "REDACTED"  
13  
14 BASIC_URL = "https://REDACTED"  
15 BACKEND_URL = "https://REDACTED"  
16  
17
```

- > On reading the last line, go to <http://orgctf.onrender.com//flag9> and we get our ninth flag -
ORG{do_not_hardcode_secrets}

Challenge 10 - Outdated Dependencies used



URL - <http://orgctf.onrender.com/dependency>

Description - An Uninformed Org Developer is creating his first project. He is about to introduce outdated libraries into the Org Environment. Go get him!

Solution

- > This challenge is created to make you aware about vulnerabilities introduced by using outdated and vulnerable libraries
- > Open the github repo link provided -> Open the requirements.txt file.
- > There it can be seen 1.0.0 version of various libraries being used. Older versions of libraries usually have known vulnerabilities.

```
1  # I am an Uninformed developer
2  # This is my first project
3  # These are the dependencies needed to run my project
4
5
6  Django==1.0.0
7  newrelic==1.0.0
8  nodeenv==1.0.0
9  numpy==1.0.0
10 oauth2client==1.0.0
11 pandas==1.0.0
12 Pillow==1.0.0
13 redis==1.0.0
14 sentry-sdk==1.0.0
15
16 # This developer is using outdated dependencies ( all are v1.0.0 )
17 # Outdated dependencies pose a security threat since most of the times there are known vulnerabilities.
18
19 # Always check the dependency version you are going to use is secure or not.
20
21 # A simple google search can answer the question - "dependency" + "version" + vulnerabilities
22 # Example - django 1.0.0 vulnerabilities
```

- > On reading the last line, go to <http://orgctf.onrender.com/flag10> and we get our tenth flag -
ORG{do_not_use_outdated_dependencies}

Challenge 11 - Insecure Hashing used

Decrypt the below 2 hashes to get your next Flag

Hash 1 - d015cc465bdb4e51987df7fb870472d3fb9a3505

Hash 2 - 0800fc577294c34e0b28ad2839435945

Tip - Use any online service to identify the hashing algorithm and then decrypt the hash

To get your flag after decrypting:

Join the decrypted values of above 2 hashes with an "_" and enclose the formed value between "ORG{"

Example: After decrypting Hash 1 you get "a"

After decrypting Hash 2 you get "b"

Final flag will be - ORG{a_b}

[Go to Dashboard](#)

URL - <http://orgctf.onrender.com/hash>

Description - Decrypt the below 2 hashes to get your next Flag

Hash 1 - d015cc465bdb4e51987df7fb870472d3fb9a3505

Hash 2 - 0800fc577294c34e0b28ad2839435945

Solution

- > To complete this challenge we need to decrypt 2 hashes provided.
- > To decrypt the hash, we first need to know what type of hash it is. We can search for hash identifiers on google or we can use the [Reference 1](#) provided
- > Doing this, we find out that Hash 1 is SHA 1 and Hash2 is MD5

✓ Possible identifications: 🔍 Decrypt Hashes

d015cc465bdb4e51987df7fb870472d3fb9a3505 - secure - Possible algorithms: SHA1

✓ Possible identifications: 🔍 Decrypt Hashes

0800fc577294c34e0b28ad2839435945 - Possible algorithms: MD5

- > Next, we need to decrypt these SHA1 and MD5 hashes. We can use the [Reference 2](#) and [Reference 3](#) for that.

Solution

> On decrypting Hash1(SHA1) we get - “secure”

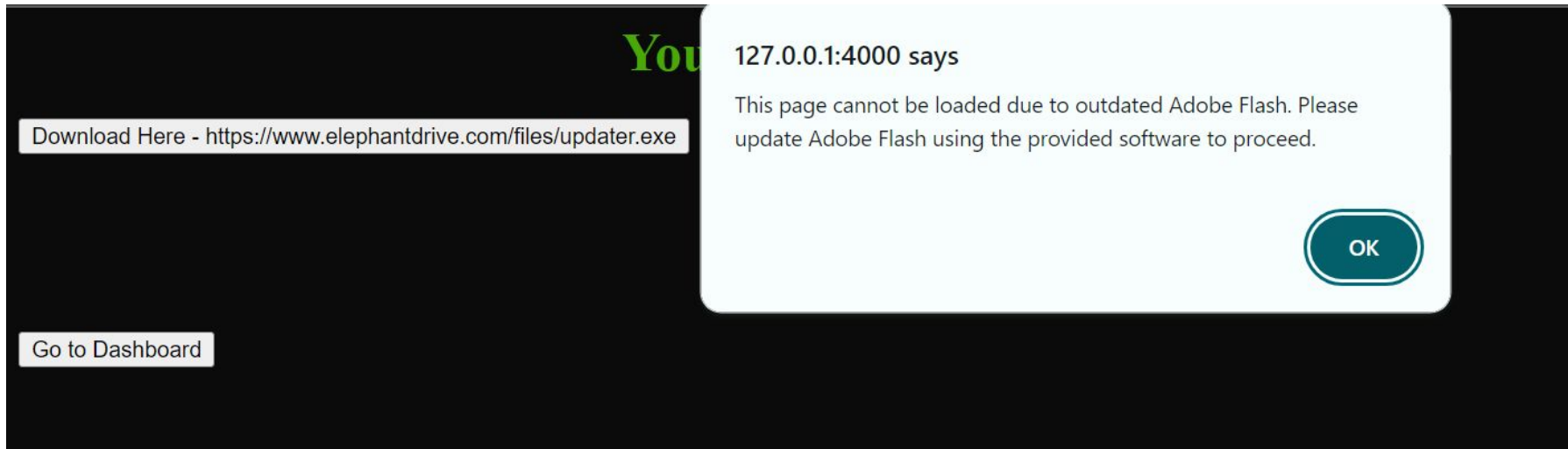
```
d015cc465bdb4e51987df7fb870472d3fb9a3505 :  
secure
```

> On decrypting Hash2(MD5) we get - “hash”

```
0800fc577294c34e0b28ad2839435945 : hash
```

> Using these two, we can form our final flag - ORG{secure_hash}

Challenge 12 - Malicious File download

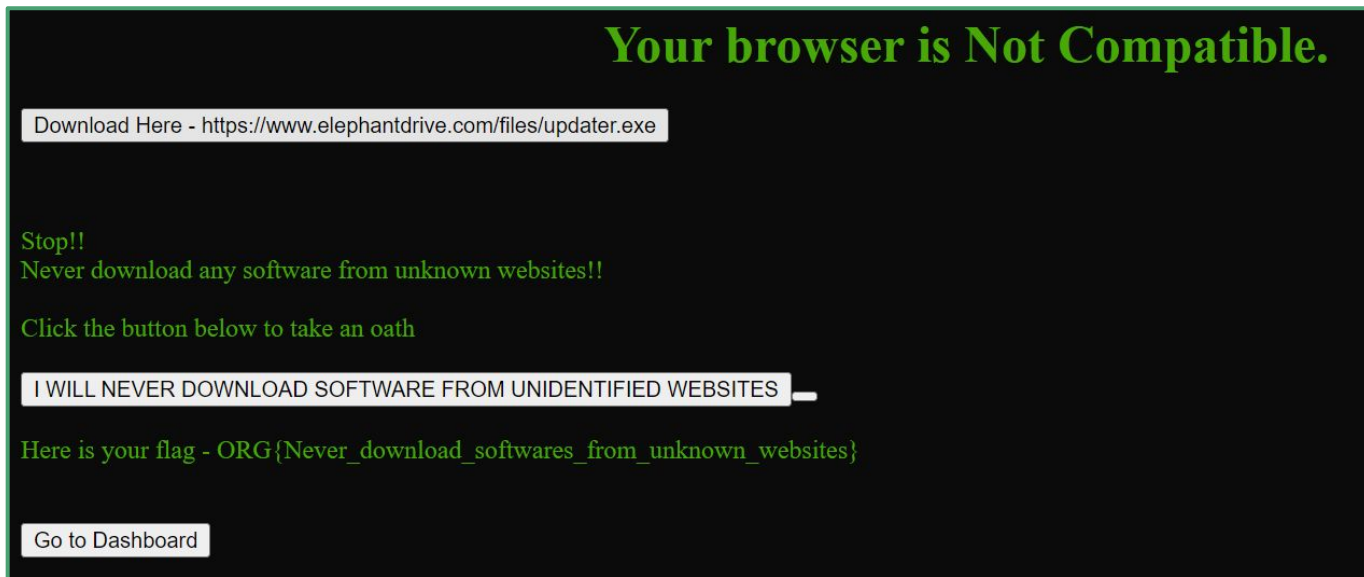


URL - <http://orgctf.onrender.com/download>

Description - This page cannot be loaded due to outdated Adobe Flash. Please update Adobe Flash using the provided software to proceed.

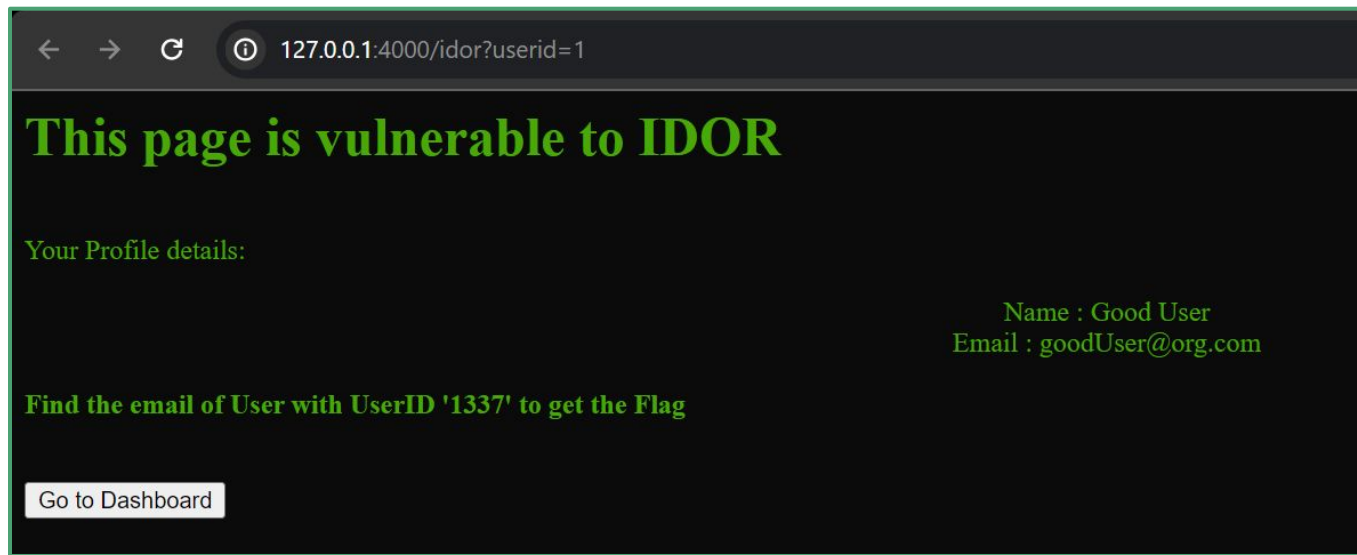
Solution

- > This challenge is created to make you aware about vulnerabilities introduced by downloading softwares/installers from untrusted websites
- > It can be seen that the website is asking us to download Adobe Flash from an unknown source - “elephantdrive.com” . As soon as you click on the Download button, you are asked to Stop!



- > On clicking on the button to take oath, we get our twelfth flag - ORG{Never_download_softwares_from_unknown_websites}

Challenge 13 - IDOR

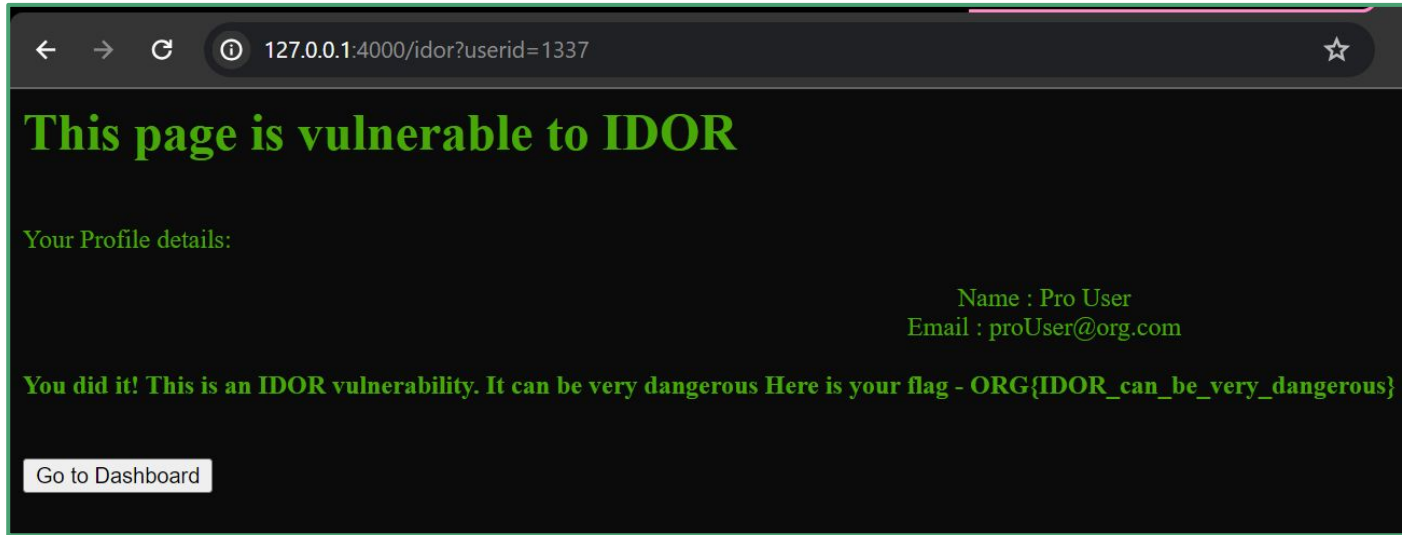


URL - <http://orgctf.onrender.com/idor?userid=1>

Description - Find the email of User with UserID '1337' to get the Flag

Solution

- > This challenge is created to make you aware about IDOR vulnerabilities
- > The task is to Find the email of UserID 1337
- > In the URL we can see there is a userid parameter that is currently set to 1, which is supposed to be our current user id.



- > On changing the value of the userid parameter to 1337, we get our thirteenth flag - ORG{IDOR_can_be_very_dangerous}

Challenge 14 - Directory Listing

Directory Listing

An Uninformed ORG Developer/DevOps has created a directory on web server.
The directory `"/public"` is vulnerable to Directory Listing vulnerability.
Go to `"/public"` to find your next flag
Don't forget the flag format - `ORG{}`

[Click Here](#)

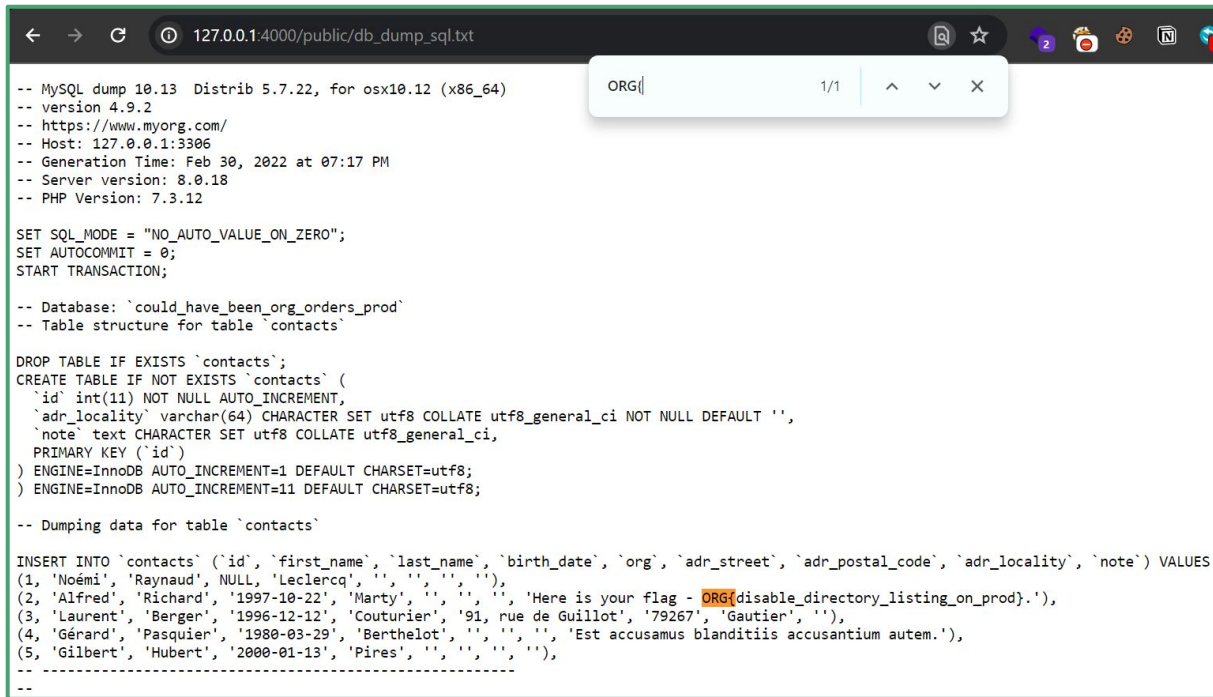
Go to Dashboard

URL - `http://orgctf.onrender.com/dirlist`

Description - An Uninformed Org Developer/DevOps has created a directory on web server. The directory `"/public"` is vulnerable to Directory Listing vulnerability. Go to `"/public"` to find your next flag

Solution

- > This challenge is created to make you aware about directory listing
- > On visiting <http://orgctf.onrender.com/public> and reading the readMe file, we get to know 2 sensitive files are exposed.
- > We need to check both the files to find our flag.



```
-- MySQL dump 10.13  Distrib 5.7.22, for osx10.12 (x86_64)
-- version 4.9.2
-- https://www.myorg.com/
-- Host: 127.0.0.1:3306
-- Generation Time: Feb 30, 2022 at 07:17 PM
-- Server version: 8.0.18
-- PHP Version: 7.3.12

SET SQL_MODE = "NO_AUTO_VALUE_ON_ZERO";
SET AUTOCOMMIT = 0;
START TRANSACTION;

-- Database: `could_have_been_org_orders_prod`
-- Table structure for table `contacts`

DROP TABLE IF EXISTS `contacts`;
CREATE TABLE IF NOT EXISTS `contacts` (
  `id` int(11) NOT NULL AUTO_INCREMENT,
  `adr_locality` varchar(64) CHARACTER SET utf8 COLLATE utf8_general_ci NOT NULL DEFAULT '',
  `note` text CHARACTER SET utf8 COLLATE utf8_general_ci,
  PRIMARY KEY (`id`)
) ENGINE=InnoDB AUTO_INCREMENT=1 DEFAULT CHARSET=utf8;
) ENGINE=InnoDB AUTO_INCREMENT=11 DEFAULT CHARSET=utf8;

-- Dumping data for table `contacts`

INSERT INTO `contacts` (`id`, `first_name`, `last_name`, `birth_date`, `org`, `adr_street`, `adr_postal_code`, `adr_locality`, `note`) VALUES
(1, 'Noémi', 'Raynaud', NULL, 'Leclercq', '', '', '', ''),
(2, 'Alfred', 'Richard', '1997-10-22', 'Marty', '', '', '', 'Here is your flag - ORG{disable_directory_listing_on_prod}.'),
(3, 'Laurent', 'Berger', '1996-12-12', 'Couturier', '91, rue de Guillot', '79267', 'Gautier', ''),
(4, 'Gérard', 'Pasquier', '1980-03-29', 'Berthelot', '', '', '', 'Est accusamus blanditiis accusantium autem.'),
(5, 'Gilbert', 'Hubert', '2000-01-13', 'Pires', '', '', '', '')
--
```

- > On opening db_dump_sql file and searching for “ORG{”, we get our fourteenth flag - ORG{disable_directory_listing_on_prod}

