

## ## 🔍 Explanation of the Vulnerability

### \*\*What is SQL Injection?\*\*

SQL Injection is a web security vulnerability that allows an attacker to interfere with the queries that an application makes to its database.

### \*\*How it Works:\*\*

DVWA takes user input and directly inserts it into an SQL query without validating or sanitizing it.

When we submit `` OR 1=1 --`, it changes the SQL query from:

sql

```
SELECT * FROM users WHERE id = '1';
```

sql

```
SELECT * FROM users WHERE id = '' OR 1=1 -- ';
```

The condition `1=1` is always true, so the query returns **all users** from the database.

### **Risk in Real World:**

- An attacker can **bypass login**, **steal data**, or **manipulate the database**.
- If advanced injection is used, attackers can even **delete data** or **gain shell access**.

### **How to Prevent:**

- Use **parameterized queries (Prepared Statements)**
- Validate and sanitize all user inputs
- Use security tools like **WAF (Web Application Firewall)**
- Keep web applications and databases updated

Vulnerability: SQL Injection :: DVWA

localhost/DVWA/vulnerabilities/sqli/?id=1%27+OR+%271%27%3D%271&Submit=Submit#

DVWA

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Vulnerability: SQL Injection

User ID:

Submit

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

More Information

- [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/SQL\\_injection](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/SQL_injection)
- <https://www.netsparker.com/blog/web-security/sql-injection-cheat-sheet/>
- [https://owasp.org/www-community/attacks/SQL\\_injection](https://owasp.org/www-community/attacks/SQL_injection)
- <https://bobby-tables.com/>

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