

# COMP30720 - Ethical Computer Hacking

## Assignment 1

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In this report, as part of our work for the OWASP Security Shepherd project, we have documented 4 different vulnerabilities which we have found on the webpage. We have detailed each vulnerability with the steps necessary to reproduce and appropriate screenshots attached.

## High: Failure to Restrict URL Access Challenge 2 [CWE-817]

Failure to restrict URL access is where users are able to access pages or areas on a webpage that are meant to be restricted or hidden. This occurs when there is an error in access-control settings. This presents a security concern as these pages frequently are less protected than pages that are meant for public access, and unauthorized users are able to reach the pages anonymously. Developers must ensure proper authentication policies are in place and ensure that all URLs are protected by an access control system to combat this attack.

### Steps to reproduce:

1. Download and run Burp Suite from this [link](#) (also make sure you have Oracle Java installed)
2. Using Firefox web browser, set the system proxy to route traffic through Burp: Type in "about:preferences" in the search bar -> Scroll down and click "Settings" underneath Network Settings -> Select option "Manual Proxy Configuration" -> Set HTTP Proxy to 127.0.0.1 and Port to 8080 -> Click Ok.
3. Go to Security Shepherd <https://192.168.56.101>
4. Confirm that Burp can see and capture requests and turn off intercept in Burp.
5. Go to Challenges -> Failure to Restrict URL Access -> Failure to Restrict URL Access 2
6. We are tasked with finding an administrator only button considering we are "a mere guest".
7. Right-click on the web page and click inspect. Turn on Intercept in Burp. Press "Get Guest Info".
8. We can see the following request in Burp. The request uses guestData and a code when clicking "Get Guest Info".

### Challenges

CSRF

Failure to Restrict URL Access

✓ Failure to Restrict URL

Access 1

✗ Failure to Restrict URL

Access 2

✗ Failure to Restrict URL

Access 3

```
Forward Drop Intercept is on Action Open Browser
Pretty Raw Hex [Icons]
1 POST /challenges/278fa30ee727b74b9a2522a5ca3bf993087de5a0ac72adff216002abf79146fa HTTP/1.1
2 Host: 192.168.56.101
3 Cookie: currentPerson=YUd1ZXN0; JSESSIONID=7EEF40A9B54471DD9BE955C953A75863; token=-44596675540803102358485343857296268475
4 User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 10.0; Win64; x64; rv:97.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/97.0
5 Accept: */*
6 Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5
7 Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate
8 Content-Type: application/x-www-form-urlencoded
9 X-Requested-With: XMLHttpRequest
10 Content-Length: 44
11 Origin: https://192.168.56.101
12 Referer: https://192.168.56.101/challenges/278fa30ee727b74b9a2522a5ca3bf993087de5a0ac72adff216002abf79146fa.jsp
13 Sec-Fetch-Dest: empty
14 Sec-Fetch-Mode: cors
15 Sec-Fetch-Site: same-origin
16 Te: trailers
17 Connection: close
18
19 guestData=s0djh318UD8ismcoa98smcj21dmdaoiSS
```

9. Inspecting the source code we can find a function called `eval()` which shows `guestData`, the code (both highlighted above) and the URL associated with these two. It also shows the same details for “`IeAdministratorFormOfAwesomeness`”.

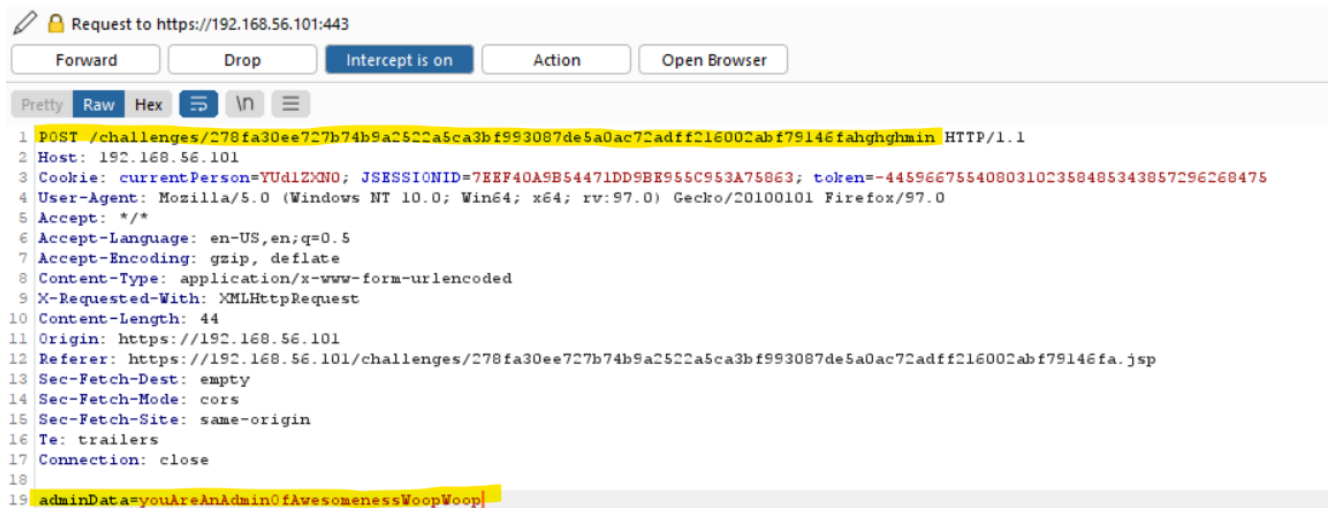
▼ &lt;script&gt;

```
eval(function(p,a,c,k,e,d){e=function(c){return(c<a?'':e(parseInt(c/a)))+(
"+0.6+" "+0.0+</p>"))}("#2").4("1",3){}($("#7").5("9",3){}($("#8").4("1")))}));$("#w").f(3){}($
{"#8").4("1"))}});',37,37,'ajaxCall|slow|resultsDiv|function|show|hide|status|loadingSign|su
l)
```

10. We can then substitute the adminData (shown below) into the request to gain administrative access.

Line 1: 278fa30ee727b74b9a2522a5ca3bf993087de5a0ac72adff216002abf79146fahghqhmin

Line 19: `adminData=youAreAnAdminOfAwesomenessWoopWoop`



11. Click “Forward” on Burp and the request will go through. This passed the challenge and we have successfully gained Admin access.

[Get Guest Info](#)

## Admin Button Clicked

Hey Admin, Here is that key you are looking for:

EA08023763667A0339728E87D51A069F1A91630D3D305BB61C6AF332457

# Solution Submission Success

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Failure to Restrict URL Access 2 completed! Congratulations.

CVSS Score **7.5 (High)**

Attack Vector	Network
Attack Complexity	Low
Privileges Required	None
User Interaction	None
Scope	Unchanged
Confidentiality	High
Integrity	None
Availability	None

## High: Poor Data Validation Challenge 2 [CWE-20]

Poor Data Validation occurs when an application does not validate submitted data correctly or sufficiently. Poor Data Validation issues are generally low severity but are more likely to be coupled with other security risks to increase their impact. If all data submitted to an application is validated correctly, security risks are significantly more difficult to exploit. Data from all potentially untrusted sources should be subject to input validation.

### Steps to reproduce:

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3. Go to Security Shepherd <https://192.168.56.101>
4. Confirm that Burp can see and capture requests and turn off intercept in Burp.
5. Go to Challenges -> Poor Data Validation -> Poor Data Validation 2
6. Here we are trying to navigate around the poor data validation measures that are in place by the webpage when ordering "trolls".
7. Entering an arbitrarily large number might overload the system if it is outside the parameters for which the webpage accepts. We entered **999999** for the \$3000 troll.

#### Picture Cost Quantity

	\$45	<input type="text" value="0"/>
	\$15	<input type="text" value="0"/>
	\$3000	<input type="text" value="99999"/>
	\$30	<input type="text" value="0"/>

Please select how many items you would like to buy and click submit

Order Complete

Your order has been made and has been sent to our magic shipping department that knows where you want this to be delivered via brain wave sniffing techniques.

Your order comes to a total of **\$-1294970296**

Trolls were free, Well Done -

7BC99D15957568298259B6E48247075DC0014836EFB83D49D5EE3E3476F  
A5481450555A7500A800070A4D00700A00D7000000A700A450000A000A

#### Challenges

CSRF  
Failure to Restrict URL Access  
Injection  
Insecure Cryptographic Storage  
Insecure Direct Object References  
Mobile Broken Crypto  
Mobile Content Providers  
Mobile Data Leakage  
Mobile Injection  
Mobile Insecure Data Storage  
Mobile Poor Authentication  
Mobile Reverse Engineering  
Poor Data Validation

✓ Poor Data Validation 1  
✗ **Poor Data Validation 2**

Security Misconfigurations  
Session Management  
XSS

8. This passed the challenge and we were able to buy the trolls for free.

## Solution Submission Success

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Poor Data Validation 2 completed! Congratulations.

CVSS Score **7.5 (High)**

Attack Vector	Network
Attack Complexity	Low
Privileges Required	None
User Interaction	None
Scope	Unchanged
Confidentiality	None
Integrity	High
Availability	None

## High: SQL Injection Challenge 4 [CWE-89]

SQL Injection occurs when hostile data is sent to the interpreter as part of a command or query. The hostile data can trick the interpreter into executing unintended commands or accessing unauthorized data. SQL Injection attacks are one of the most common web hacking techniques and are of high severity. A successful SQL Injection exploit can read sensitive data from the database, modify the database, execute admin operations, recover file information, and issue commands to the operating system. These attacks are easily exploitable as they can be initiated by anyone who can interact with the system through any data they pass to the application.

### Steps to reproduce:

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2. Using Firefox web browser, set the system proxy to route traffic through Burp: Type in "about:preferences" in the search bar -> Scroll down and click "Settings" underneath Network Settings -> Select option "Manual Proxy Configuration" -> Set HTTP Proxy to 127.0.0.1 and Port to 8080 -> Click Ok.
3. Go to Security Shepherd <https://192.168.56.101>
4. Confirm that Burp can see and capture requests and turn off intercept in Burp.
5. Go to Challenges -> Injection-> SQL Injection 4
6. This challenge requires us to sign in as an administrator.
7. We're able to input the following to gain admin access:
  - Username: \
  - Password: or username="admin";-- -
8. The username (\) alters the username/password query in the web application by getting rid of an apostrophe. The password tricks the interpreter into thinking we have administrative access.

#### Challenges

CSRF

Failure to Restrict URL Access

Injection

✓ NoSQL Injection One

✓ SQL Injection 1

✓ SQL Injection 2

✓ SQL Injection 3

✗ SQL Injection 4

✗ SQL Injection 5

✗ SQL Injection 6

✗ SQL Injection 7

✗ SQL Injection Escaping

✗ SQL Injection Stored

Procedure

## Super Secure Payments

Please sign in to make your very secure payments.

Username:

Password:

## Login Result

Signed in as admin

As you are the admin, here is the result

key:d316e80045d50bdf8ed49d48f130b4acf4a878c82faef34daff8eb1b98763b6f

# Solution Submission Success

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SQL Injection 4 completed! Congratulations.

CVSS Score **7.2 (High)**

Attack Vector	Network
Attack Complexity	Low
Privileges Required	None
User Interaction	None
Scope	Changed
Confidentiality	Low
Integrity	Low
Availability	None

## Medium: Cross Site Scripting Challenge 4 [CWE-79]

Cross Site Scripting (XSS) is a type of attack in which malicious scripts are injected into websites or web applications for the purpose of running on the end user's device. These attacks are widespread and occur anywhere a web application uses input from a user within the output it generates without validating or encoding it. If the user has privileged access within the web application, then the attacker might be able to gain full control over all of the application's functionality and data. It is estimated that more than 60% of web applications are susceptible to XSS attacks, which account for more than 30% of all web application attacks. (per [source](#))

### Steps to reproduce:

1. Download and run Burp Suite from this [link](#) (also make sure you have Oracle Java installed)
2. Using Firefox web browser, set the system proxy to route traffic through Burp: Type in "about:preferences" in the search bar -> Scroll down and click "Settings" underneath Network Settings -> Select option "Manual Proxy Configuration" -> Set HTTP Proxy to 127.0.0.1 and Port to 8080 -> Click Ok.
3. Go to Security Shepherd <https://192.168.56.101>
4. Confirm that Burp can see and capture requests and turn off intercept in Burp.
5. Go to Challenges -> XSS -> Cross Site Scripting 4.
6. The challenge asks us to enter a URL that we want to post to our public profile. By entering **https** and opening up the Inspect interface, we found out the website allows a string starting with "https".

```
<div id="resultsDiv" style="display: block;">
  <h2 class="title">Your New Post!</h2>
  <p>You just posted the following link;</p>
  <a href="https" alt="https">https</a>
```

7. Using this information we added "ONCLICK=alert('XSS')" to the previous input. Inspecting the result again we can see that there is an issue with the word "ON" within our attack vector.

```
<div id="resultsDiv" style="display: block;">
  <h2 class="title">Your New Post!</h2>
  <p>You just posted the following link;</p>
  <a href="https" &#x4f;&#x4e;click="alert('XSS')"" alt="https">https" ONCLICK=alert('XSS')</a>
```

8. By changing the case of the "N" in at the start of our attack vector we are able to input: **https** **OnCLICK=alert('XSS')**. This passed the challenge and successfully executed the JavaScript alert command.

```
<div class="input-group">...</div>
<h2 class="title">Your New Post!</h2>
<p>You just posted the following link;</p>
<a href="https" onclick="alert('XSS')"" alt="https">https" OnCLICK=alert('XSS')</a>
```

### Challenges

CSRF  
Failure to Restrict URL Access  
Injection  
Insecure Cryptographic Storage  
Insecure Direct Object References  
Mobile Broken Crypto  
Mobile Content Providers  
Mobile Data Leakage  
Mobile Injection  
Mobile Insecure Data Storage  
Mobile Poor Authentication  
Mobile Reverse Engineering  
Poor Data Validation  
Security Misconfigurations  
Session Management

### XSS

X Cross Site Scripting 1  
X Cross Site Scripting 2  
X Cross Site Scripting 3  
X Cross Site Scripting 4  
X Cross Site Scripting 5  
X Cross Site Scripting 6



Please enter the **URL** that you wish to post to your public profile;

Make Post

## Well Done

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You successfully executed the JavaScript alert command!

The result key for this challenge is

721EB8ED09C96AAB91B442A6FC107DF0F4E6868A360500CAF4F791BD3E  
822B045B4D88C50D888C4D8840A8A88D57BA848D884DD5888457575858



## Solution Submission Success

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Cross Site Scripting 4 completed! Congratulations.

CVSS Score **6.4 (Medium)**

Attack Vector	Network
Attack Complexity	Low
Privileges Required	Low
User Interaction	None
Scope	Changed
Confidentiality	Low
Integrity	Low
Availability	None