

Lab 03: SQL Injection Retrieve Database Version (Oracle)

Lab URL (solved instance):

<https://portswigger.net/web-security/sql-injection/union-attacks/lab-determine-database-version>

Objective

This lab demonstrates how to exploit a SQL injection vulnerability in a product category filter to retrieve the Oracle database version.

Oracle requires that all SELECT statements include a FROM clause. When using UNION SELECT on Oracle, queries must include a FROM dual clause (a built-in one-row table). Version information can be extracted from the v\$version table.

Key Concepts:

- UNION SELECT allows us to inject custom data into the query results
- The v\$version table stores Oracle version strings
- dual is a required dummy table in Oracle

Payloads Used:

1. Column count and text test:

```
' UNION SELECT 'abc','def' FROM dual--
```

2. Version retrieval:

```
' UNION SELECT BANNER,NULL FROM v$version--
```

Exploitation Steps with Screenshots

Step 1: Accessed the lab page (1-access-lab.png)

Step 2: Clicked on a product category (2-click-category.png)

Step 3: Intercepted the original category request in Burp Suite (3-intercepted-request.png)

Step 4: Tested column count and types with UNION SELECT (4-column-test.png)

Step 5: Sent final payload to retrieve version from v\$version (5-db-version-request.png)

Step 6: Verified that Oracle version info was displayed (6-db-version-revealed.png)

Step 7: Lab marked as solved with confirmation banner (7-lab-solved.png)

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