Security Testing First Assessment

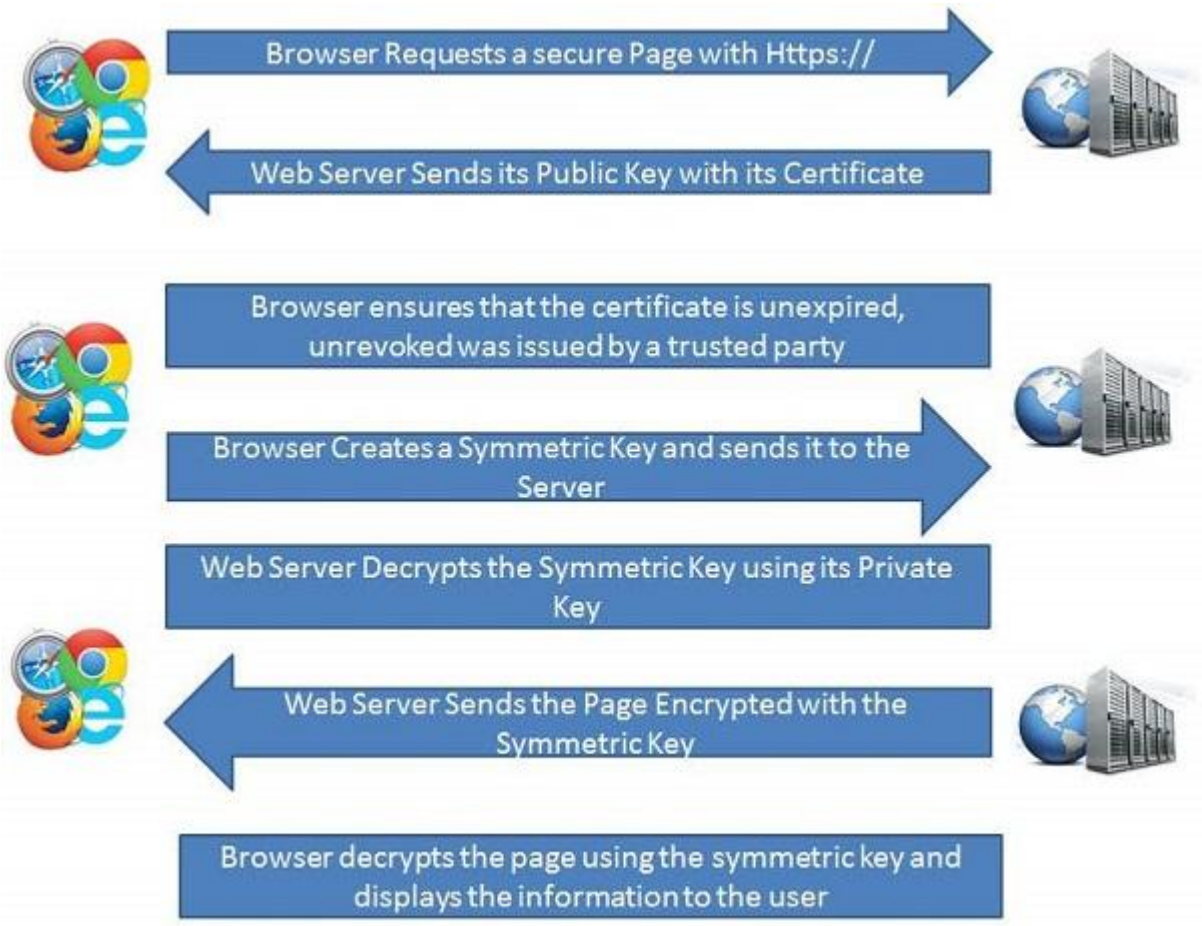
Efficiency On the GO

Content

Summary

Website Basics:

How Http Works:



Each client request and server response has three parts:

- request or response line
- header section
- body

What's an HTTP Proxy

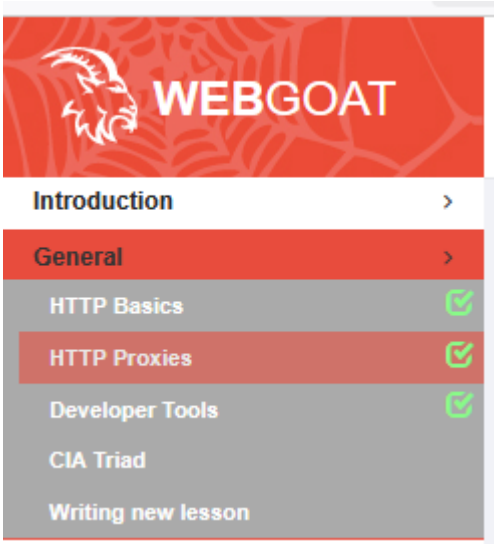
A proxy is some forwarder application that connects your HTTP client to backend resources. HTTP clients can be browsers or applications like curl, SOAP UI, Postman, etc. Usually, these proxies are used for routing and getting internet access when there is no direct connection to the internet from the client itself. HTTP proxies are therefore also ideal when you are testing your application. You can always use the proxy log records to see what was actually sent from client to server. So you can check the request and response headers and the XML, JSON, or other payloads.

HTTP Proxies receive requests from a client and relay them. They also typically record them. They act as a

man-in-the-middle. It even works fine with or without HTTPS as long as your client or browser trusts the certificate of the HTTP Proxy.

Requirements:

1. Download WebGoat Application
2. Run the WebGoat Application on localhost.
3. Complete the General Section.



A1: Broken Access Control:

- If authentication mechanisms are weak or improperly implemented, attackers can impersonate legitimate users, potentially gaining unauthorized access to accounts or administrative interfaces.

1. Hijack A Session

   - A **session ID** is a unique identifier assigned to a user session on a web application, enabling the server to track and manage user interactions over time.
   - It is crucial for maintaining user authentication, allowing secure access to resources without requiring constant re-login.
   - If the user specific session ID is not complex and random, then the application is highly susceptible to session-based brute force attacks

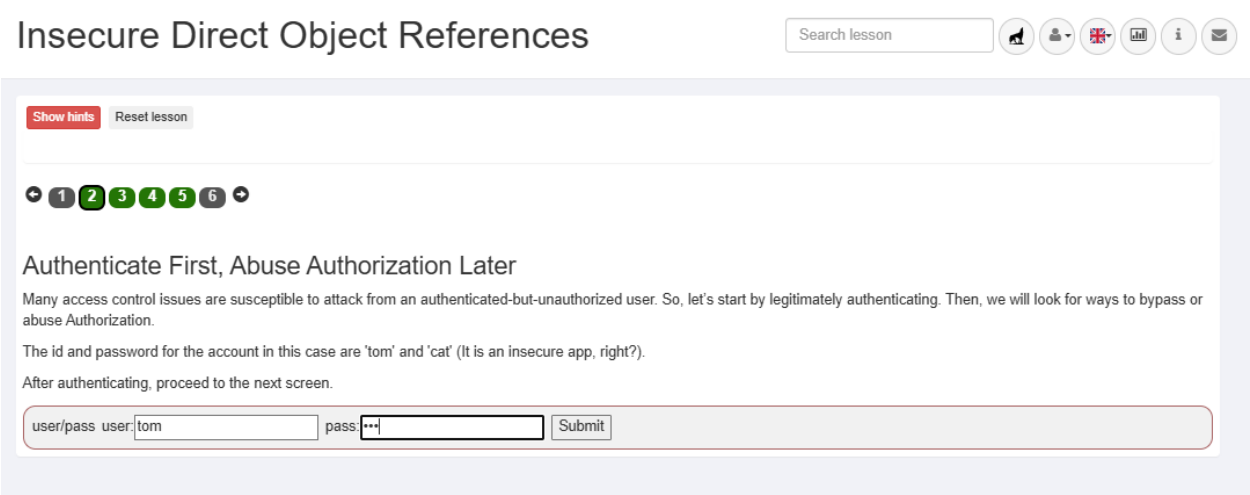
Direct Object References

Direct Object References are when an application uses client-provided input to access data & objects

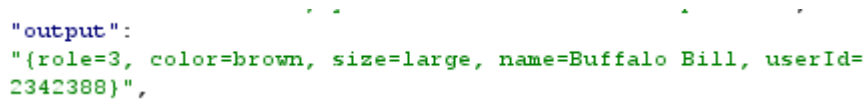
https://some.company.tld/dor?id=12345

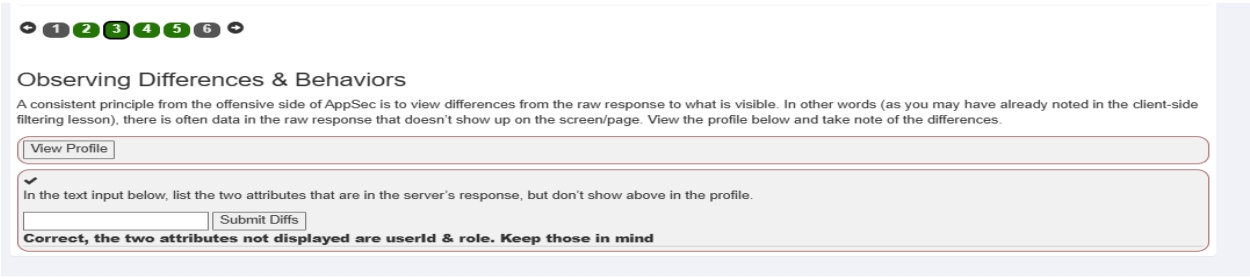
Challenges:

1. Now we are loging-in with the given credentials.

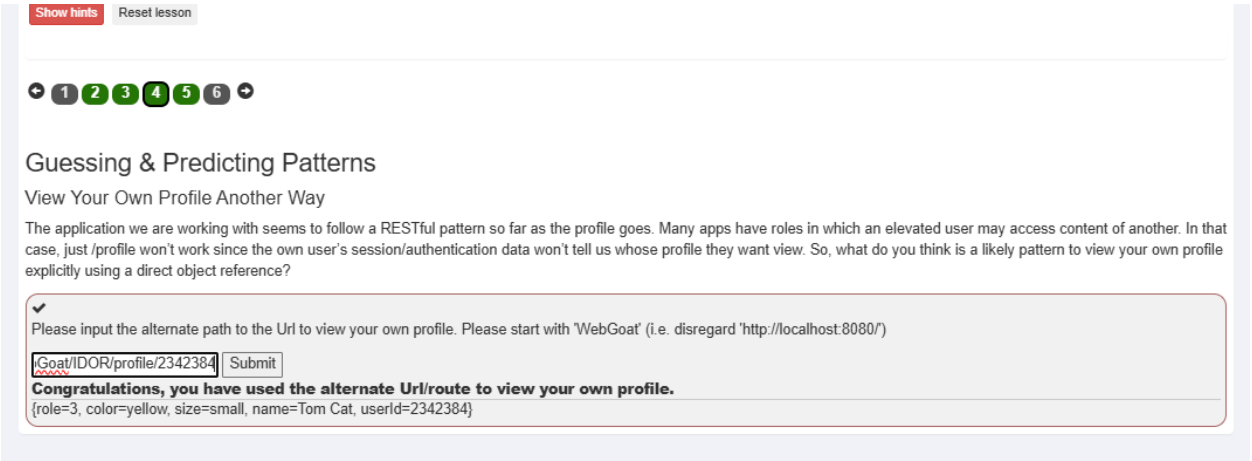


2. Then in third level by burp suite intercepter we are seeing the hidden attributes

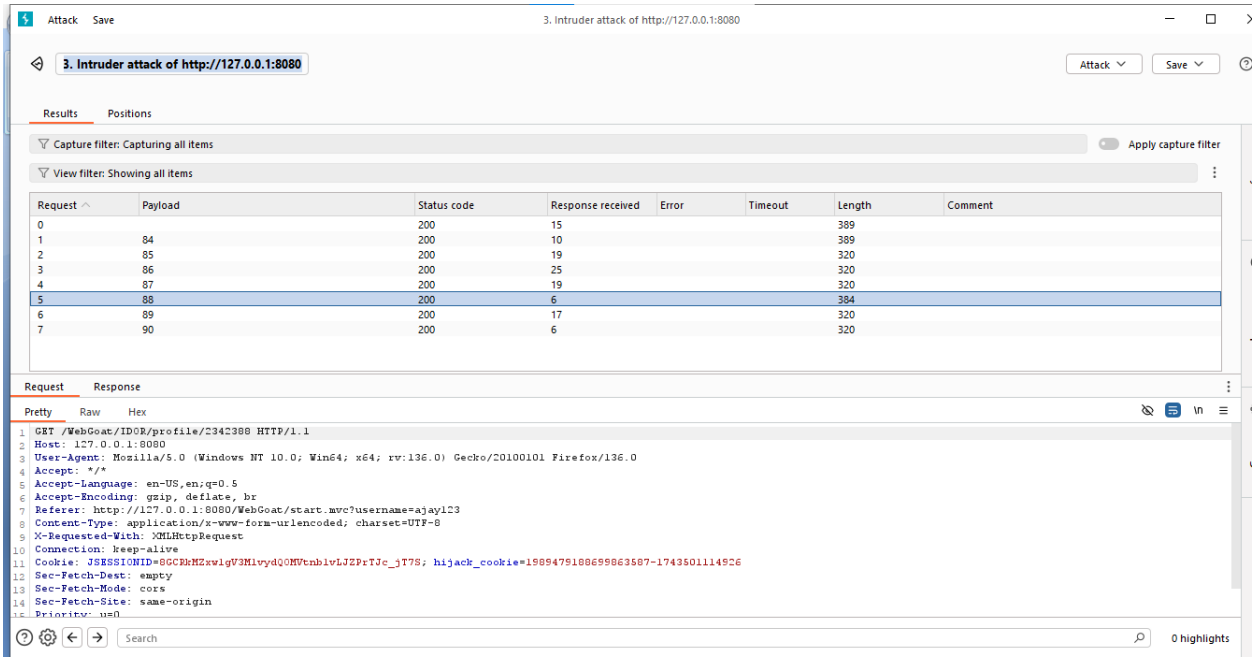




3. We already know the path of the request also the user id by combining we may send the request to see the response.



4. Then at last level we are going to predict the another user id using the intruder. By increasing the number



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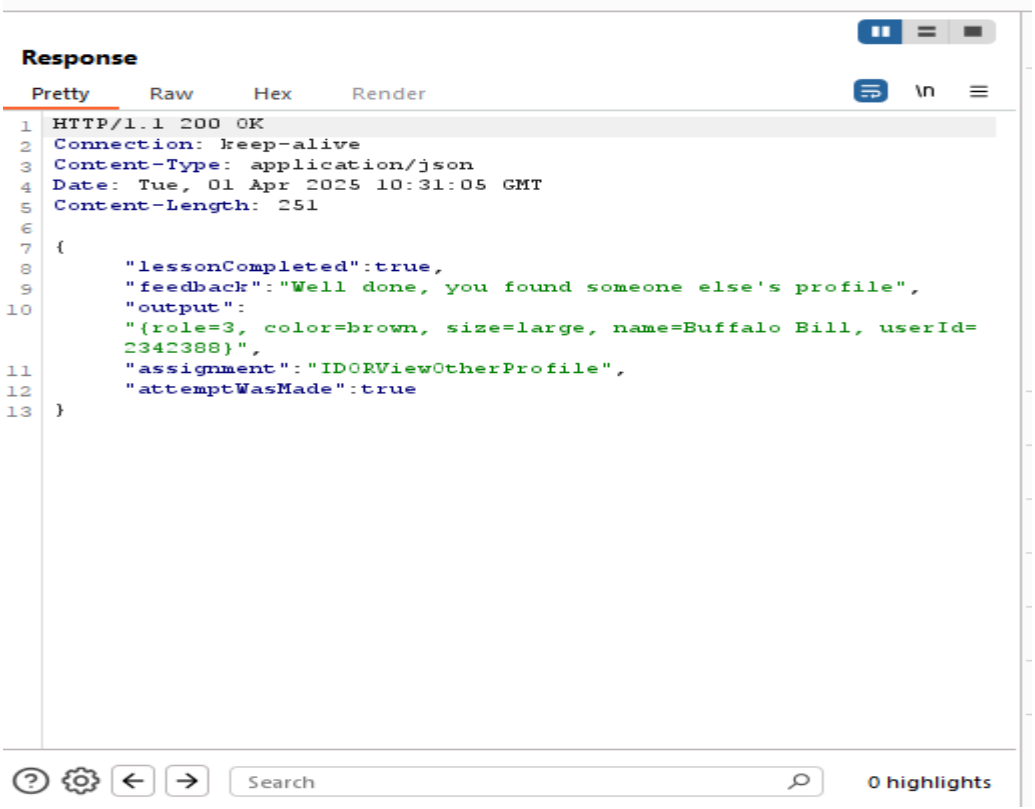


Missing Function Level Access Control:

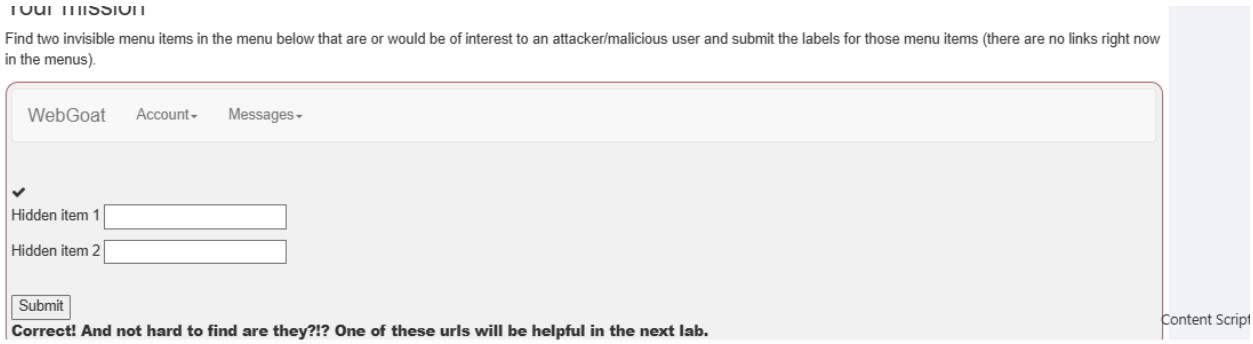
- Access control is crucial for web applications and needs to be consistently enforced across all methods and functions.
- IDOR represents a horizontal access control problem that allows users to access resources they shouldn't.
- Missing Function Level Access Control exposes functionalities that may be accessible to unauthorized users in the same user role.
- The document distinguishes between IDOR and missing function-level access control for clarity in the context of OWASP Top 10 vulnerabilities.
- Effective prevention of access control issues involves rigorous output encoding to prevent XSS attacks.

Steps:

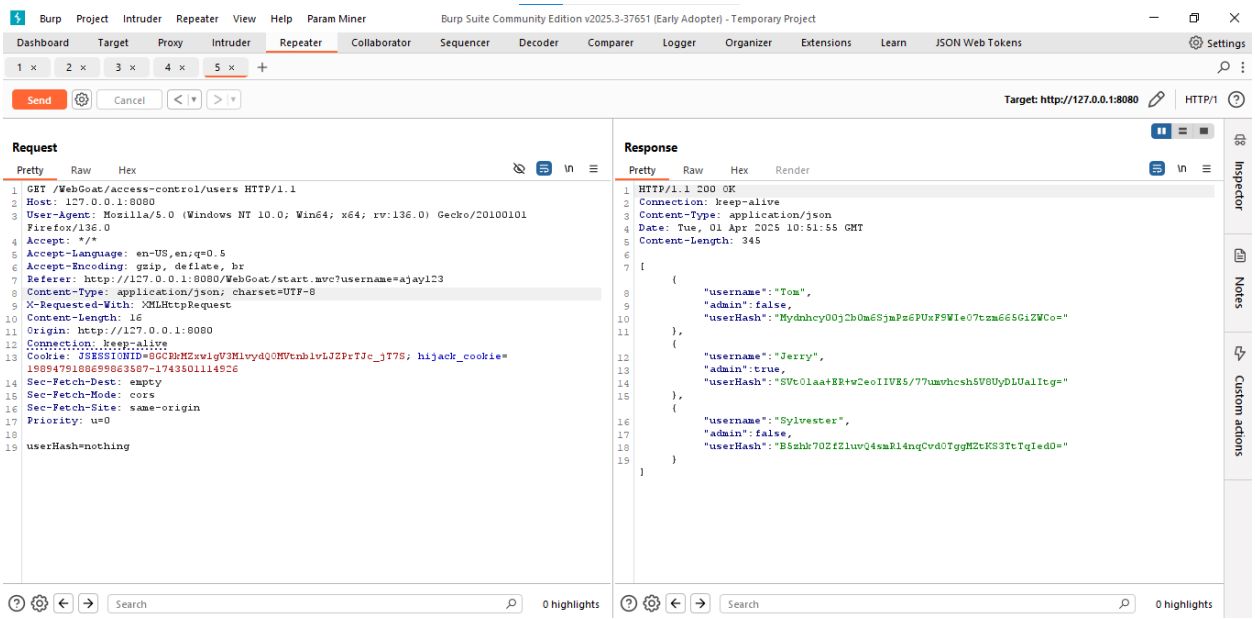
1. Now we will inspect and check for hidden list

```
<li class="dropdown">…</li>
<li class="hidden-menu-item dropdown">
  <a href="#" class="dropdown-toggle" data-toggle="dropdown" role="button" aria-haspopup="true" aria-expanded="false">
    "Admin"
    <span class="caret"></span>
  </a>
  <ul class="dropdown-menu" aria-labelledby="admin">
    <li>
      <a href="/access-control/users">Users</a>
    </li>
    <li>…</li> == $0
    <li>
      <a href="/access-control/config">Config</a>
    </li>
  </ul>
```

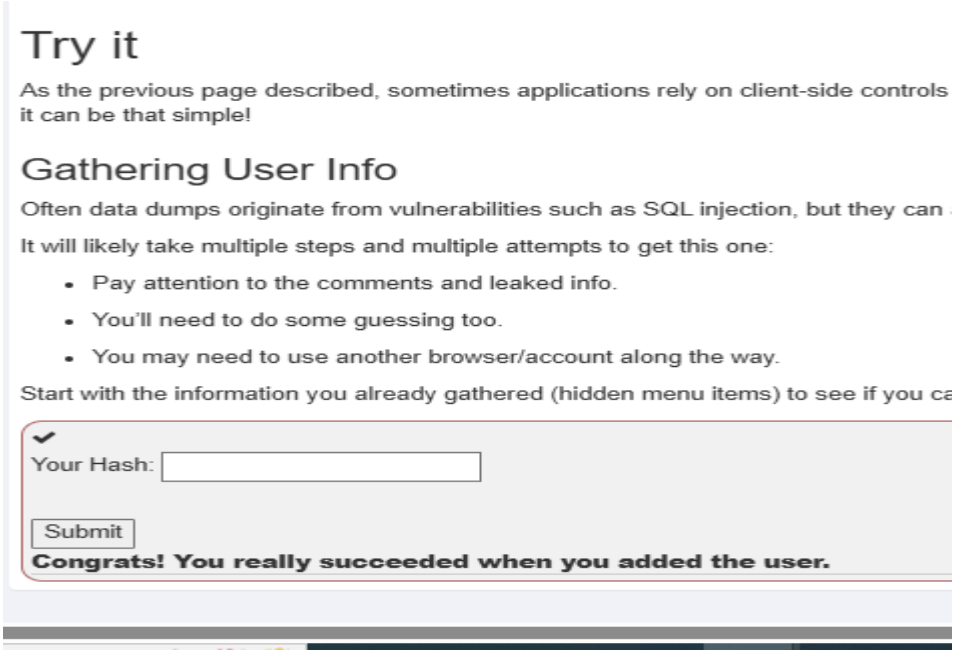
Now enter the two values in the input box



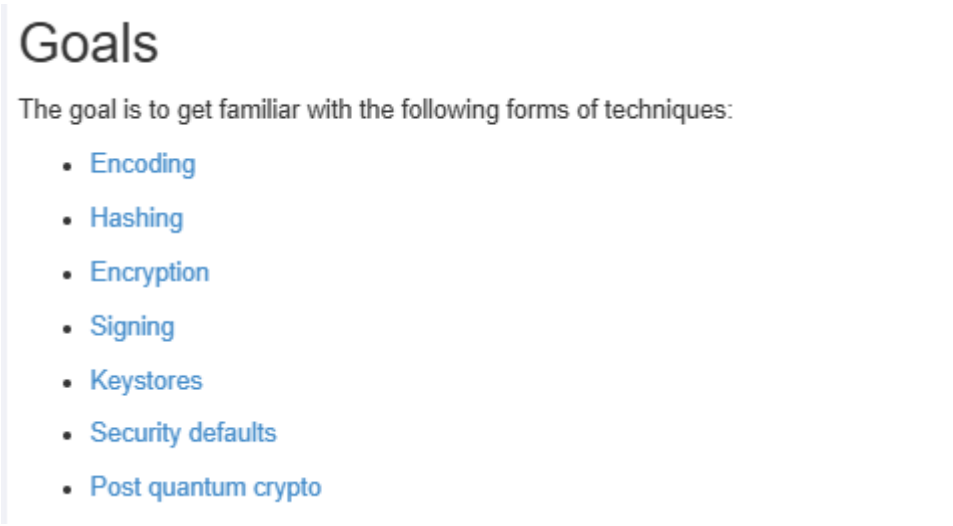
2. Now in second level as we know we have users path we will enter the users into the request and GET request with the content-type:application/json;



Then copy the hash value of jerry and paste it in input box.



(A2):Cryptographic Failures:



Challenges:

1. Encoding

Using this https://www.base64decode.org/ we can encode and decode the value the give value to decode is:

Decode from Base64 format

Simply enter your data then push the decode button.

YWpheTEyMzphZG1pbg==

For encoded binaries (like images, documents, etc.) use the file upload form a little further down on this page.

UTF-8 Source character set.

Decode each line separately (useful for when you have multiple entries).

Live mode OFF Decodes in real-time as you type or paste (supports only the UTF-8 character set).

DECODE Decodes your data into the area below.

ajay123:admin

and the results:

Base64 Encoding

Encoding is not really cryptography, but it is used a lot in all kinds of standards around cryptographic functions. Especially Base64 encoding.

Base64 encoding is a technique used to transform all kinds of bytes to a specific range of bytes. This specific range is the ASCII readable bytes. This way you can transfer binary data such as secret or private keys more easily. You could even print these out or write them down. Encoding is also reversible. So if you have the encoded version, you can create the original version.

On wikipedia you can find more details. Basically it goes through all the bytes and transforms each set of 6 bits into a readable byte (8 bits). The result is that the size of the encoded bytes is increased with about 33%.

```
Hello ==> SGVsbG8=
0x4d 0x61 ==> TWE=
```

Basic Authentication

Basic authentication is sometimes used by web applications. This uses base64 encoding. Therefore, it is important to at least use Transport Layer Security (TLS or more commonly known as https) to protect others from reading the username password that is sent to the server.

```
$echo -n "myuser:mypassword" | base64
bXl1c2VyOm15cGFzc3dvcmQ=
```

The HTTP header will look like:

```
Authorization: Basic bXl1c2VyOm15cGFzc3dvcmQ=
```

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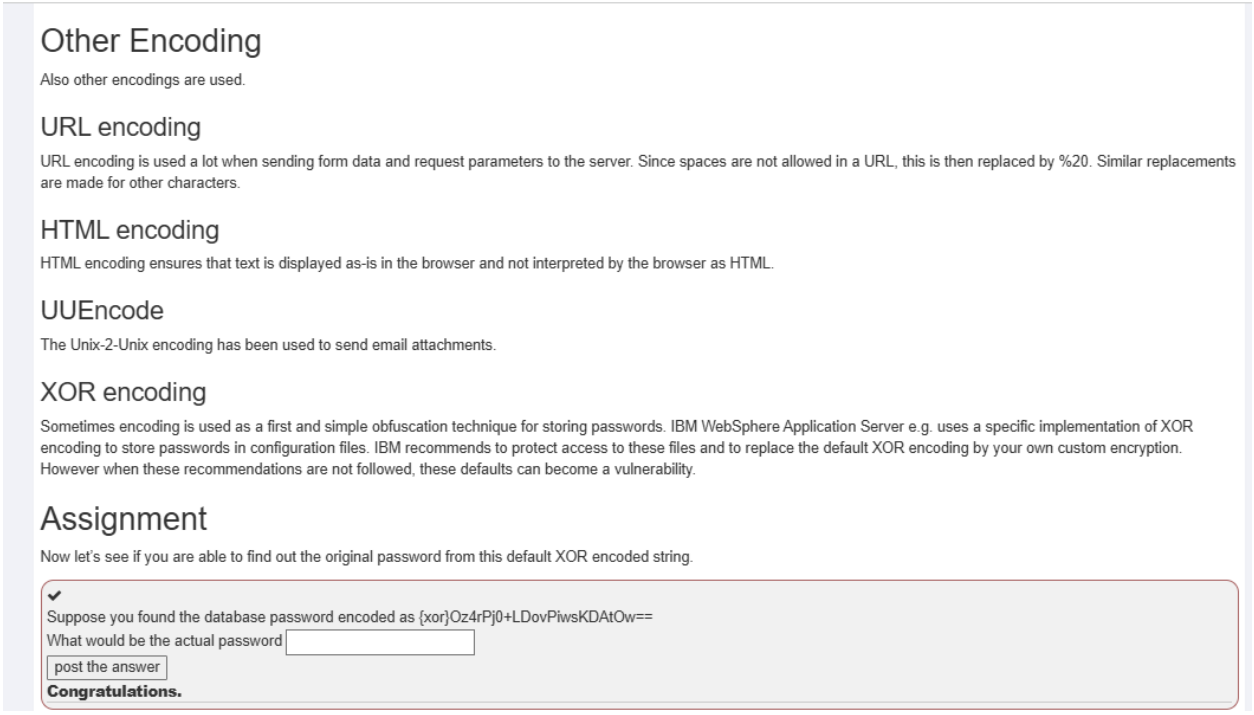
Now suppose you have intercepted the following header:
Authorization: Basic YWpheTEyMzphZG1pbg==

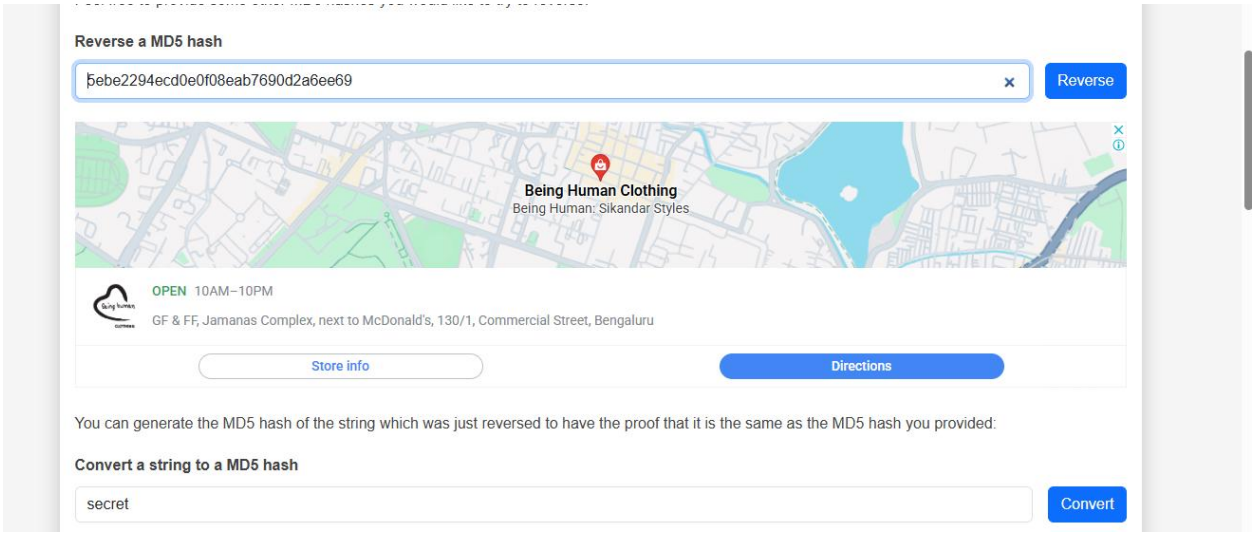
Then what was the username [ ] and what was the password: [ ] post the answer

Congratulations. That was easy, right?

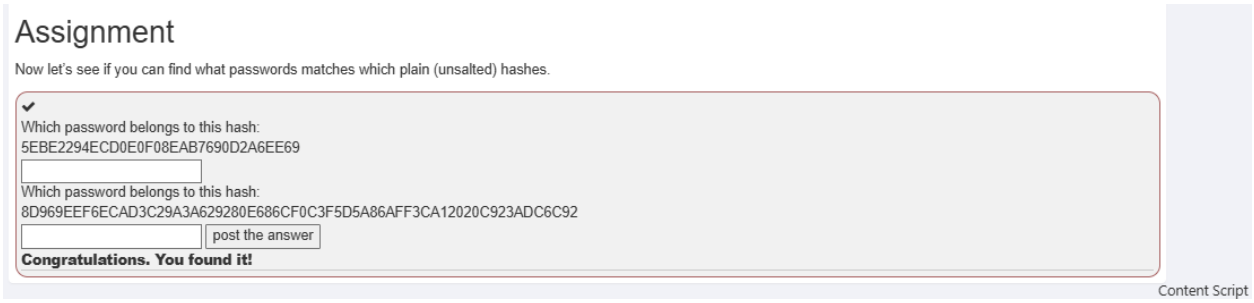
2. XOR Decoding the password



3. Hash Decrypter: first we will analzye the hash and then



Same for the second hash



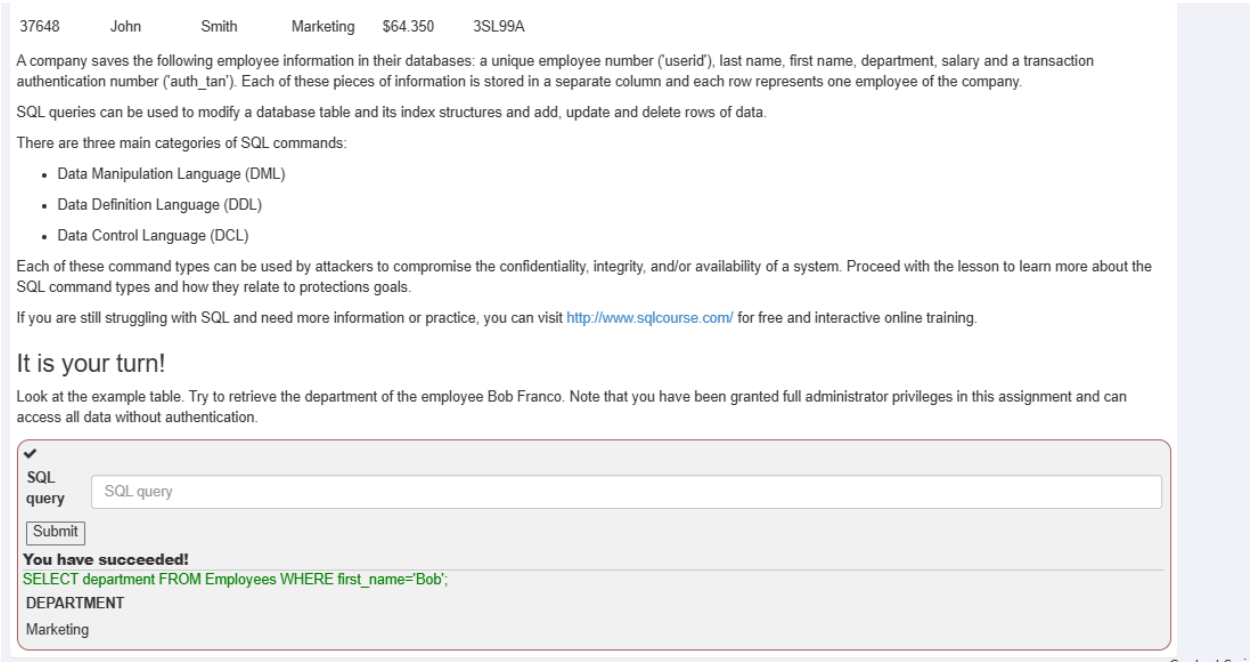
A3:Injection:

Goals

- The user will have a basic understanding of how SQL works and what it is used for
- The user will have a basic understanding of what SQL injection is and how it works
- The user will demonstrate knowledge on:
    - DML, DDL and DCL
    - String SQL injection
    - Numeric SQL injection
    - How SQL injection violates the CIA triad

Challenges:

1. Enter the query as per the question



2. Update of the department with all priveliages are given

- UPDATE - updates existing data within a database
- DELETE - delete records from a database
- Example:
  - Retrieve data:
  - SELECT phone
    FROM employees
    WHERE userid = 96134;
  - This statement retrieves the phone number of the employee who has the userid 96134.

It is your turn!

Try to change the department of Tobi Barnett to 'Sales'. Note that you have been granted full administrator privileges in this assignment and can access all data without authentication.

SQL query: SQL query

Submit

Congratulations. You have successfully completed the assignment.

```
Update Employees SET department='Sales' where first_name='Tobi';
```

USERID	FIRST_NAME	LAST_NAME	DEPARTMENT	SALARY	AUTH_TAN
89762	Tobi	Barnett	Sales	77000	TA9LL1

3. Now alter of the table:

- CREATE TABLE employees(
  userid varchar(6) not null primary key,
  first_name varchar(20),
  last_name varchar(20),
  department varchar(20),
  salary varchar(10),
  auth_tan varchar(6)
  );
- This statement creates the employees example table given on page 2.

Now try to modify the schema by adding the column "phone" (varchar(20)) to the table "employees". :

SQL query: SQL query

Submit

Congratulations. You have successfully completed the assignment.

```
Alter TABLE Employees ADD COLUMN phone varchar(20);
```

4. Now grant of permissions:

Data Control Language (DCL)

Data control language is used to implement access control logic in a database. DCL can be used to revoke and grant user privileges on database objects such as functions.

If an attacker successfully "injects" DCL type SQL commands into a database, he can violate the confidentiality (using GRANT commands) and availability (using R of a system. For example, the attacker could grant himself admin privileges on the database or revoke the privileges of the true administrator.

- DCL commands are used to implement access control on database objects.
- GRANT - give a user access privileges on database objects
- REVOKE - withdraw user privileges that were previously given using GRANT

Try to grant rights to the table `grant_rights` to user `unauthorized_user`:

SQL query: SQL query

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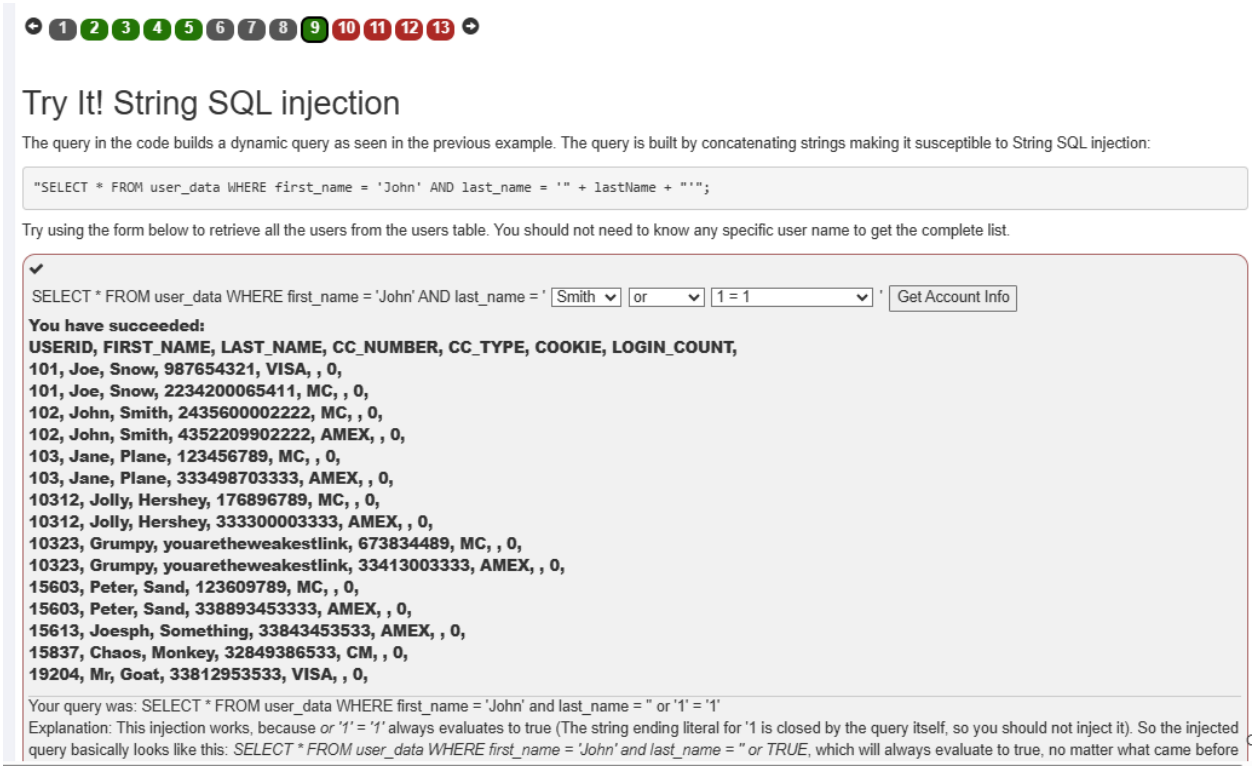
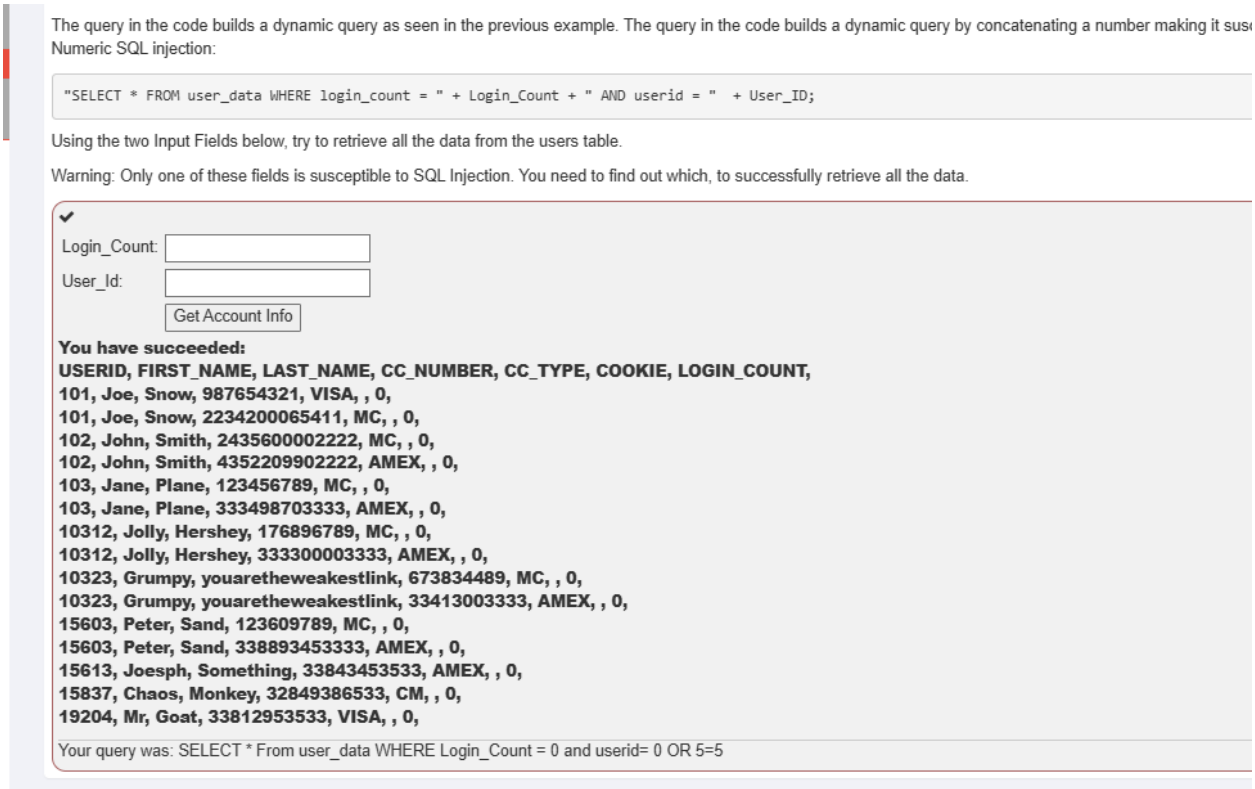
Congratulations. You have successfully completed the assignment.

5. By using the select box loading the injection/payload

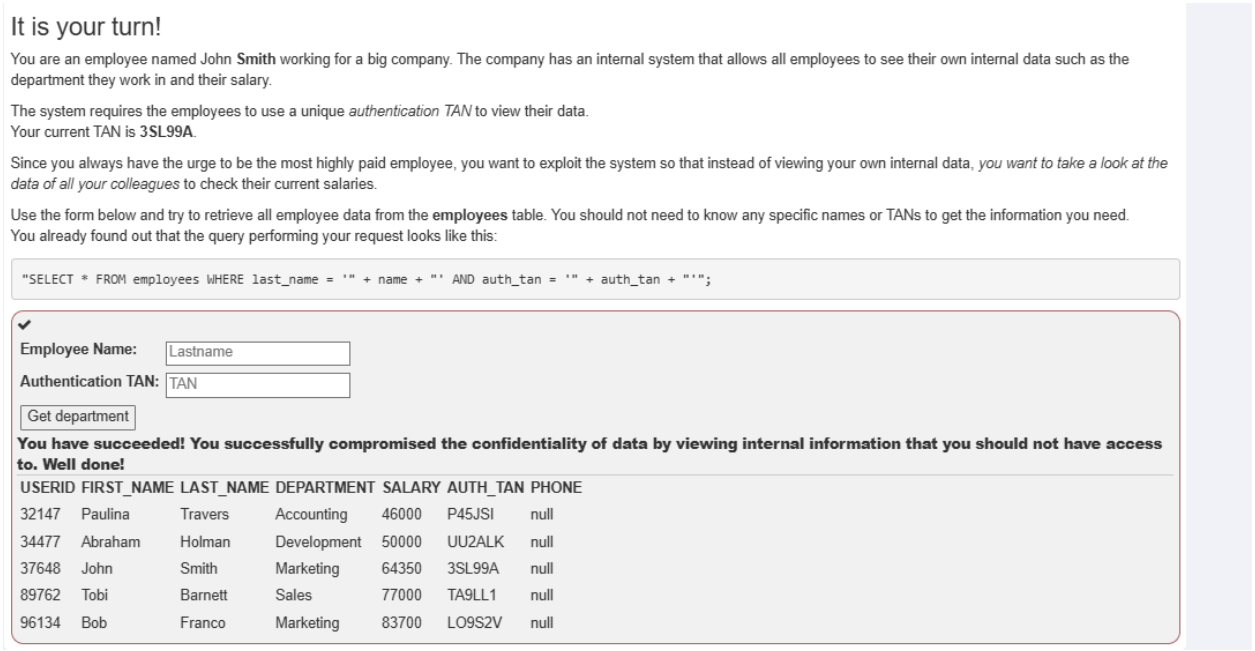


6. By writing own sql query to find the users:



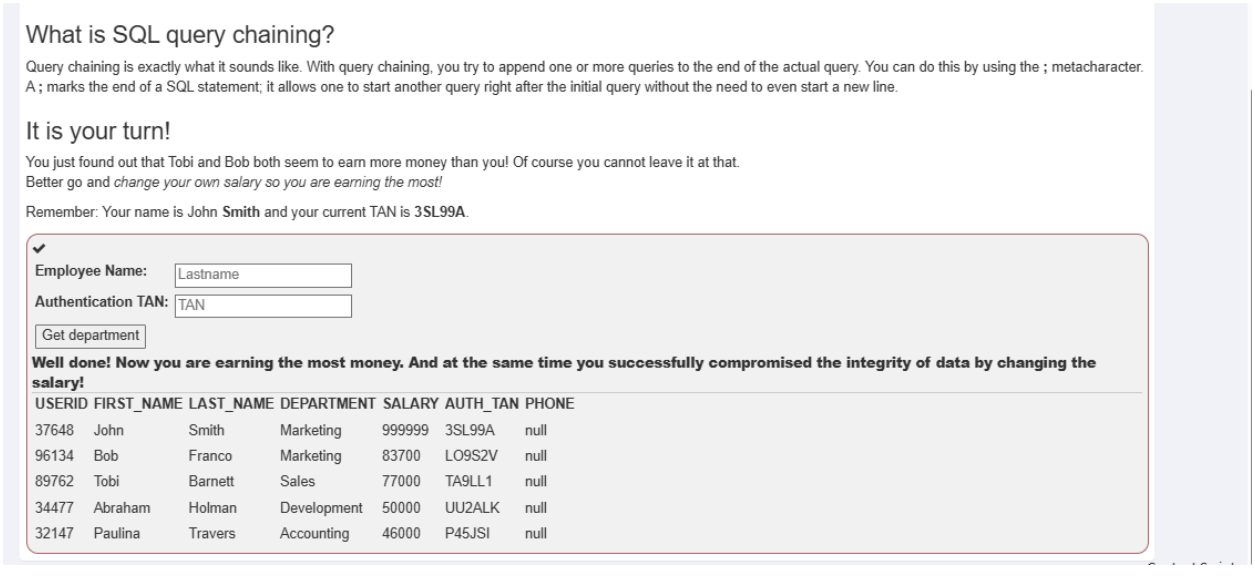
7. In next level we are commenting out remaining query by only add the expression

‘ OR ‘1’=’1’—



8. Now change of the salary using two query like:

‘ or 1=1; update employees set salary=99999 where userid=37468;--



9. Deleting the table so that they cannot acces the changed log

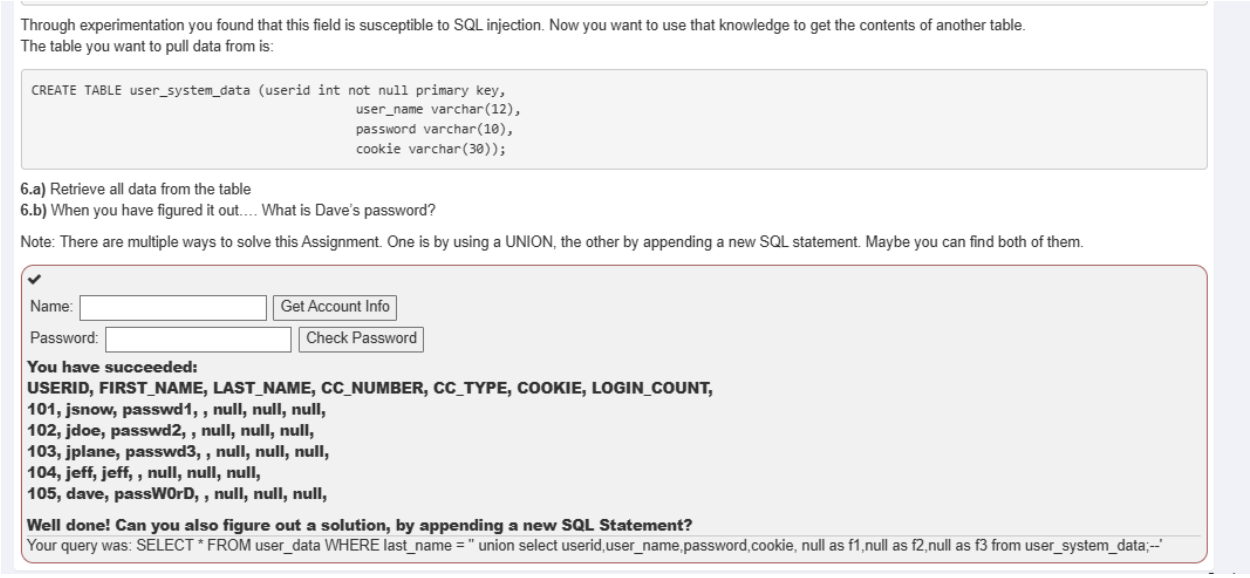
%’; drop table access_log;--

Sql Injection Advanced:

Challenges:

1. Using union select getting the table data:

    a. ‘ union select userid,user_name,password,cookie, null as f1,null as f2,null as f3 from user_system_data;--



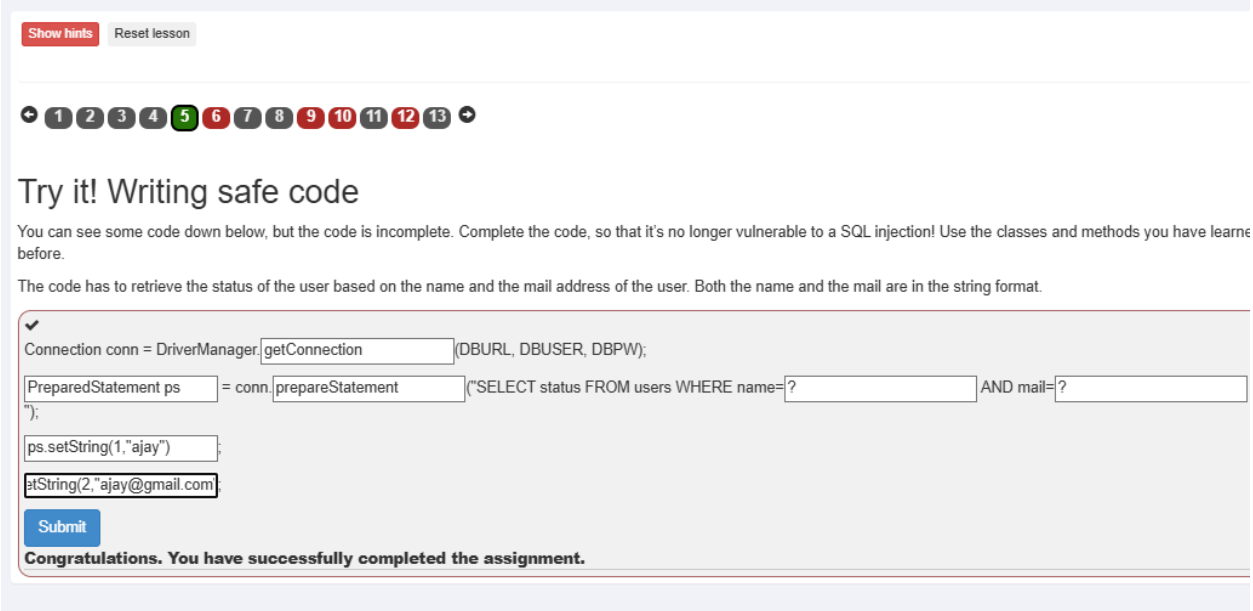
Sql Mitigation:

- Immutable queries serve as the strongest defense against SQL injection by preventing data interpretation.
- Static queries do not interpret input data and present a lower risk of exploitation through SQL injection.
- Parameterized queries utilize placeholders for user input, thereby binding data to specific columns without executing it as code.
- The use of a PreparedStatement in parameterized queries ensures that input is treated as data rather than SQL command.
- Stored procedures can enhance security, but only if they do not incorporate dynamic SQL.
- SQL injection risks are paramount when user input is directly concatenated into commands, as demonstrated in the example of static queries.
- Implementing best practices in SQL coding is critical to ensuring application security and safeguarding against attacks.
- A safe stored procedure uses parameters to prevent SQL injection, ensuring that user input does not manipulate query structure.

- The document presents a safe stored procedure example, ListCustomers, which retrieves customer counts based on the specified country.
- An injectable stored procedure example, getUser, demonstrates how improper handling of user input can make applications vulnerable to SQL injection attacks.
- Parameterized Queries - Java Snippet

```
public static bool isUsernameValid(string username) {
   RegEx r = new Regex("^[A-Za-z0-9]{16}$");
   return r.isMatch(username);
}
// java.sql.Connection conn is set elsewhere for brevity.
PreparedStatement ps = null;
RecordSet rs = null;
try {
   pUserName = request.getParameter("UserName");
   if ( isUsernameValid (pUsername) ) {
      ps = conn.prepareStatement("SELECT * FROM user_table WHERE username = ? ");
      ps.setString(1, pUsername);
      rs = ps.execute();
      if ( rs.next() ) {
      }
   }
}
PreparedStatement statement = conn.prepareStatement("INSERT INTO USERS (id, name, email) VALUES
(?, ?, ?)");
statement.setString(1, "1");
statement.setString(2, "webgoat");
statement.setString(3, "webgoat@owasp.org");
statement.executeUpdate();
```

2. To fill the parameterized code.



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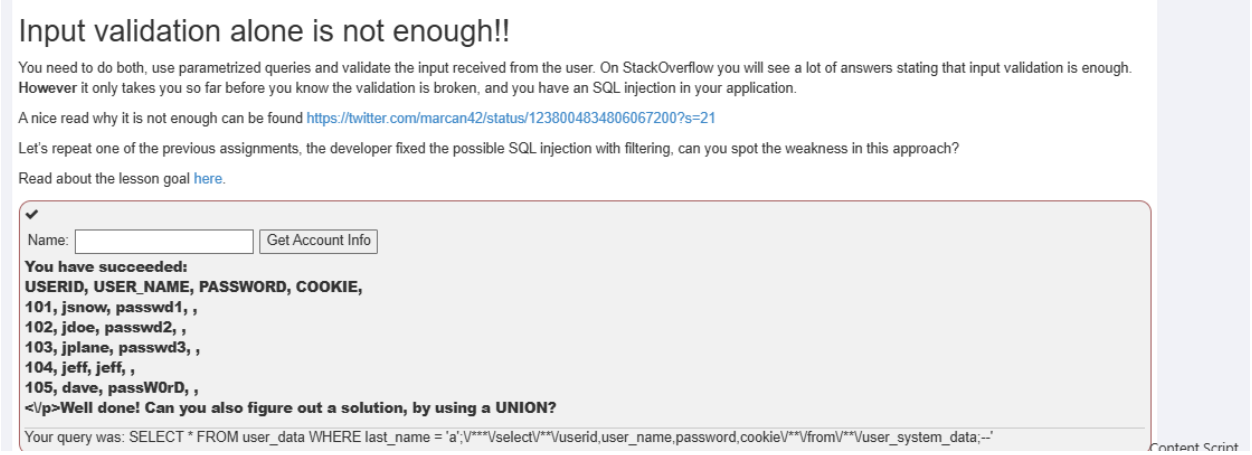

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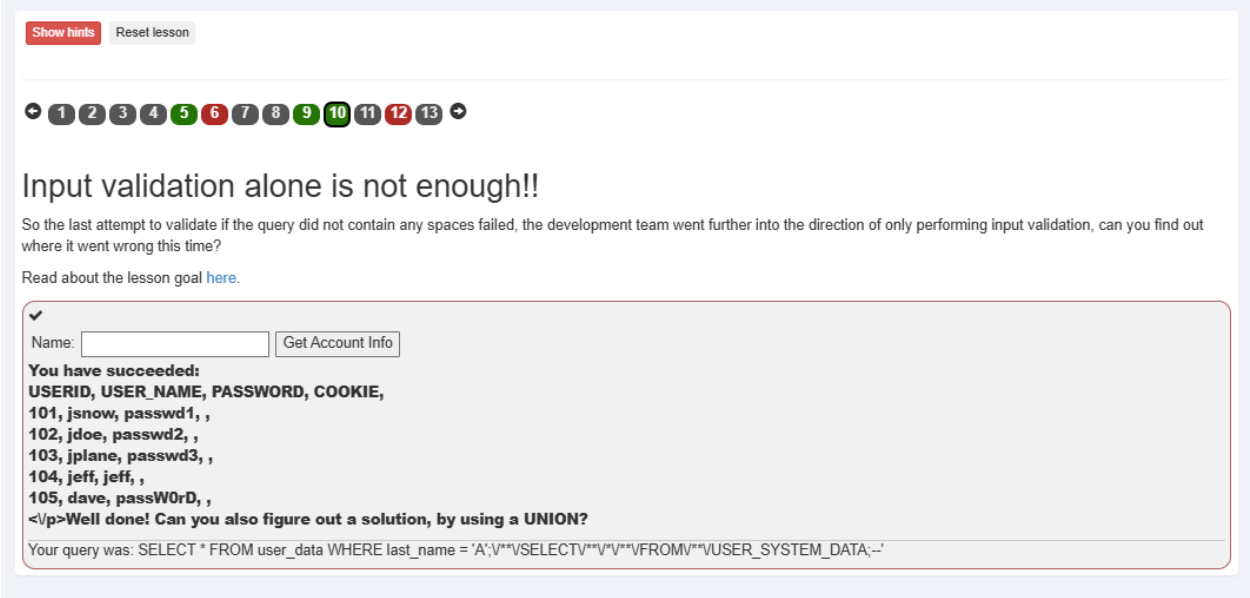
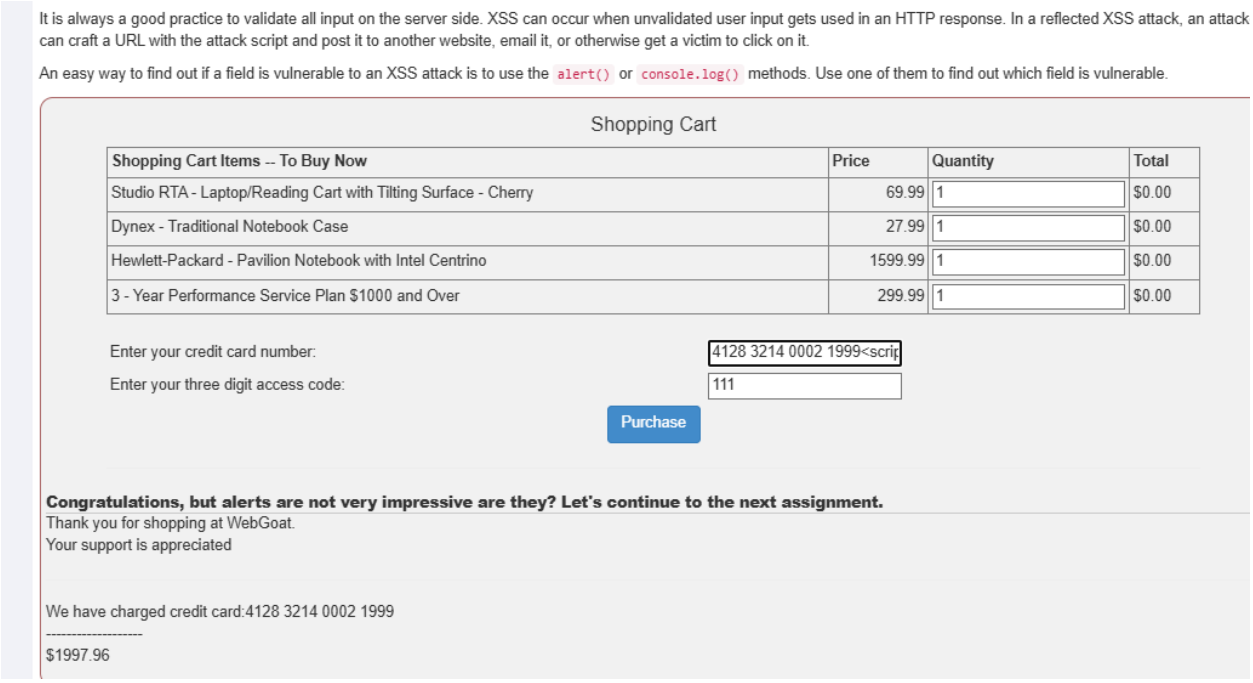


XSS

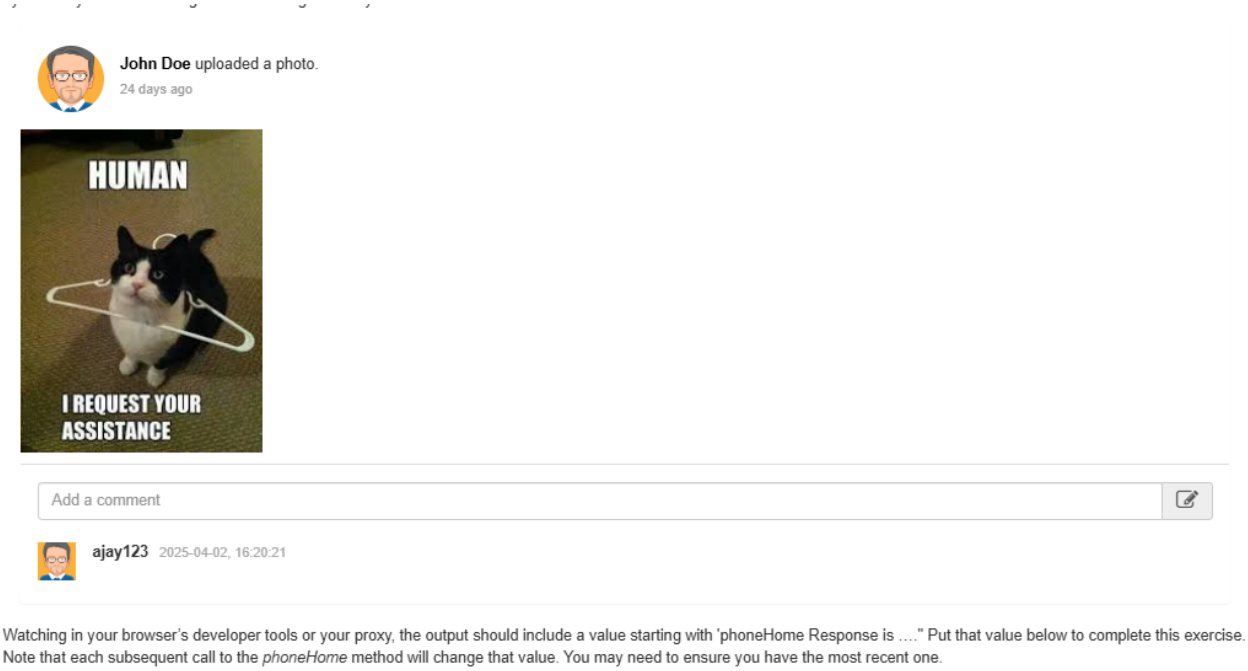
Challenges:

1. To see whether the website is vulnerable to reflect xss or not:

<script>alert(2)</script>



2. Stored XSS



XSS Mitiagation:

XSS defense

Why?

Hopefully, we have covered that by now. Bottom line, you do not want someone else's code running in the context of your users and their logged-in session

What to encode?

The basic premise of defending against XSS is **output encoding** any untrusted input to the screen. That may be changing with more sophisticated attacks, but it is still the best defense we currently have. **AND** … **context matters**

Another word on 'untrusted input.' If in doubt, treat everything (even data you populated in your DB as untrusted). Sometimes data is shared across multiple systems, and what you think is your data may not have been created by you/your team.

Encode **as the data is sent to the browser** (not in your persisted data). In the case of **Single Page Apps (SPA's), you will need to encode in the client**. Consult your framework/library for details, but some resources will be provided on the next page.

How?

- Encode as HTML Entities in HTML Body
- Encode as HTML Entities in HTML Attribute

- Encode for JavaScript if outputting user input to JavaScript (but think about that … you are outputting user input into JavaScript on your page!!)

Relevant XML/HTML special characters

Char Escape string

< <

> >

" "

' '

& &

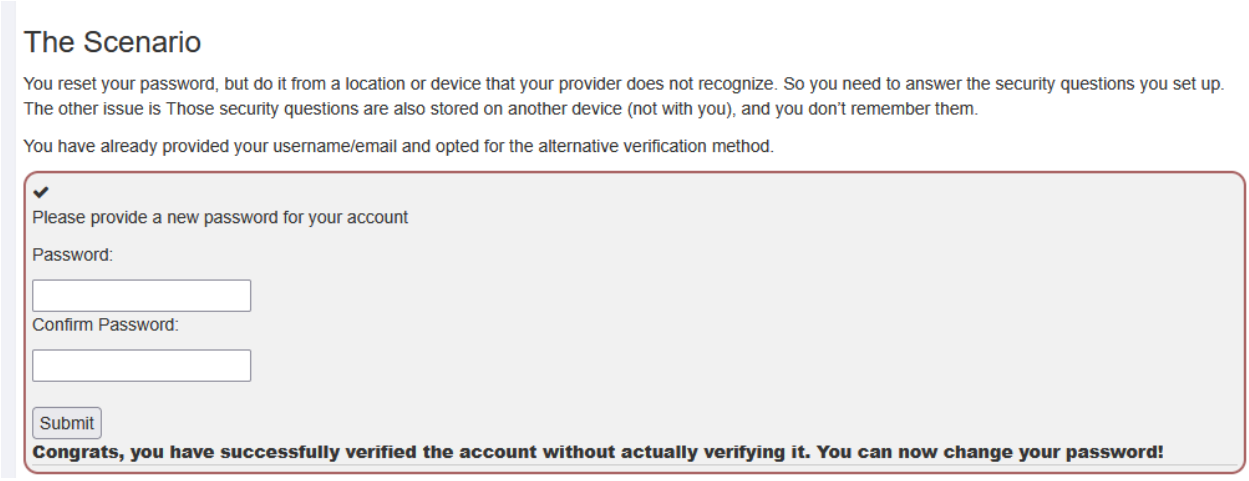
/ /

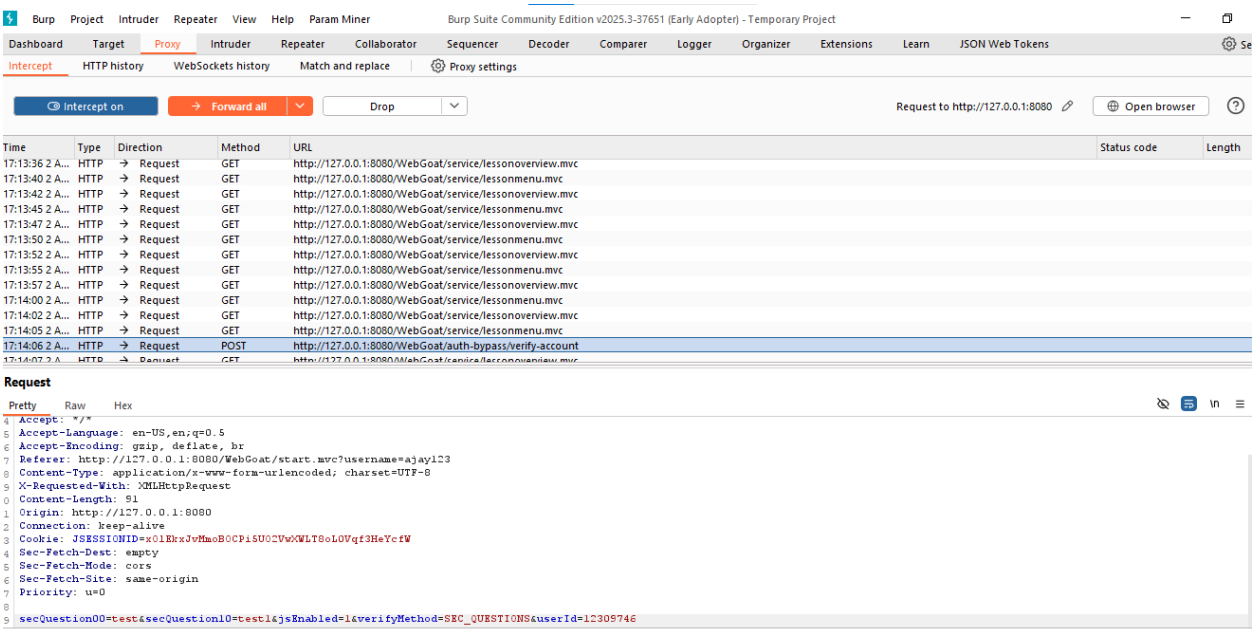
(A7) Identity & Auth Failure

Authentication Bypasses:

Challenges:

1. Here the security questions are renamed so that the we can bypass this 2fa:

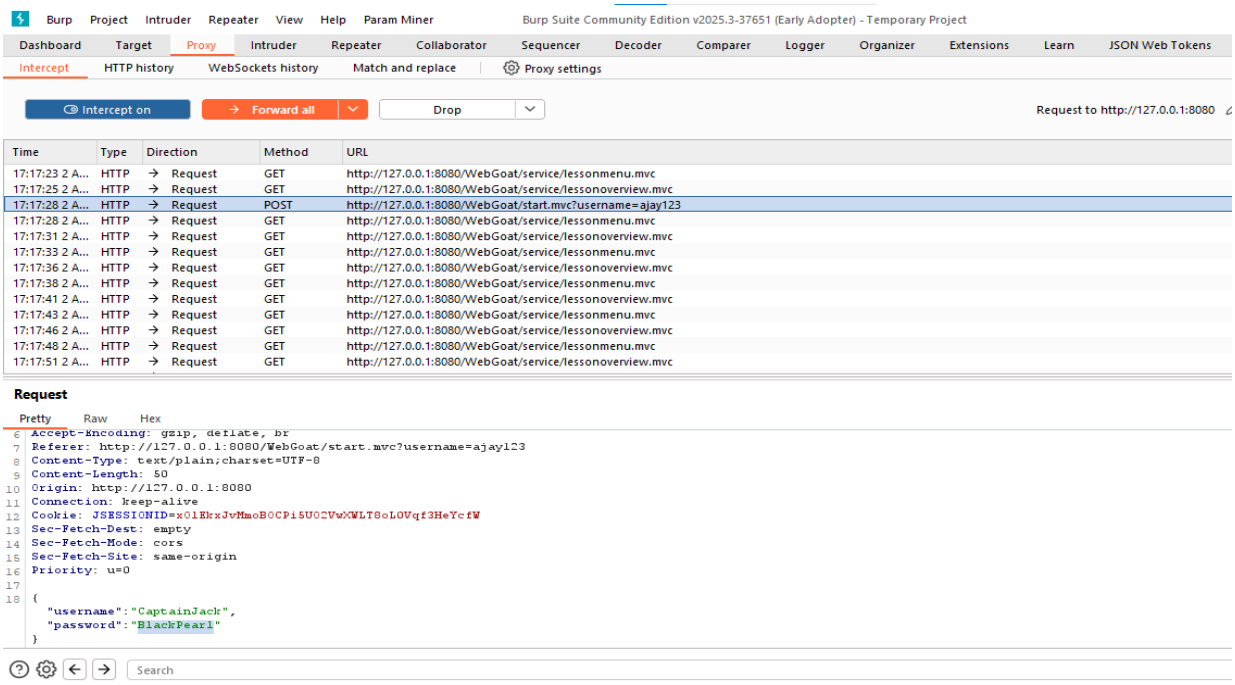


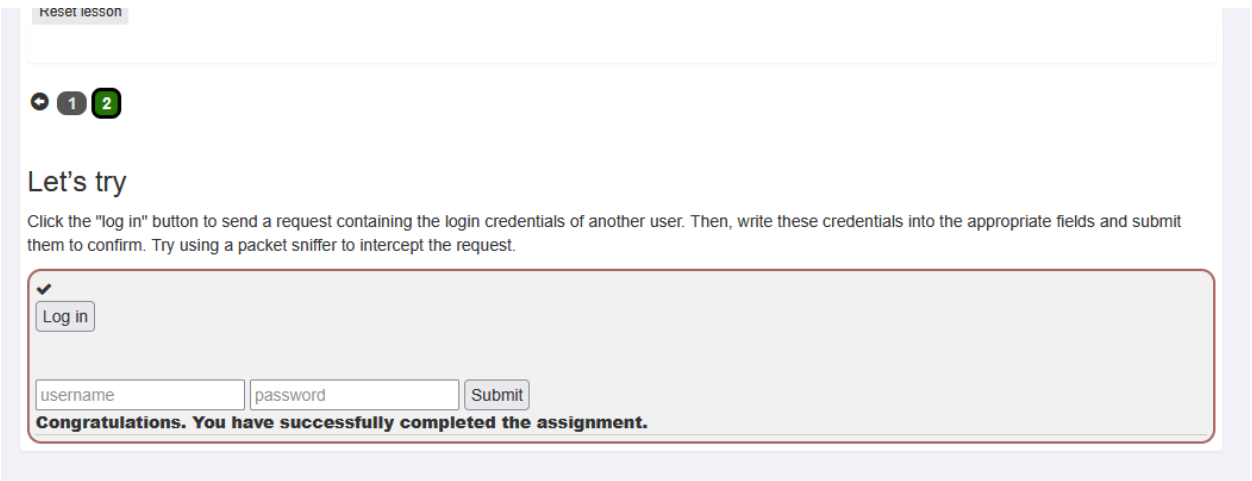


Insecure Login:

Challenges:

1. Here the credentials can be sniffed using the intercepter and then using those credentials logging in

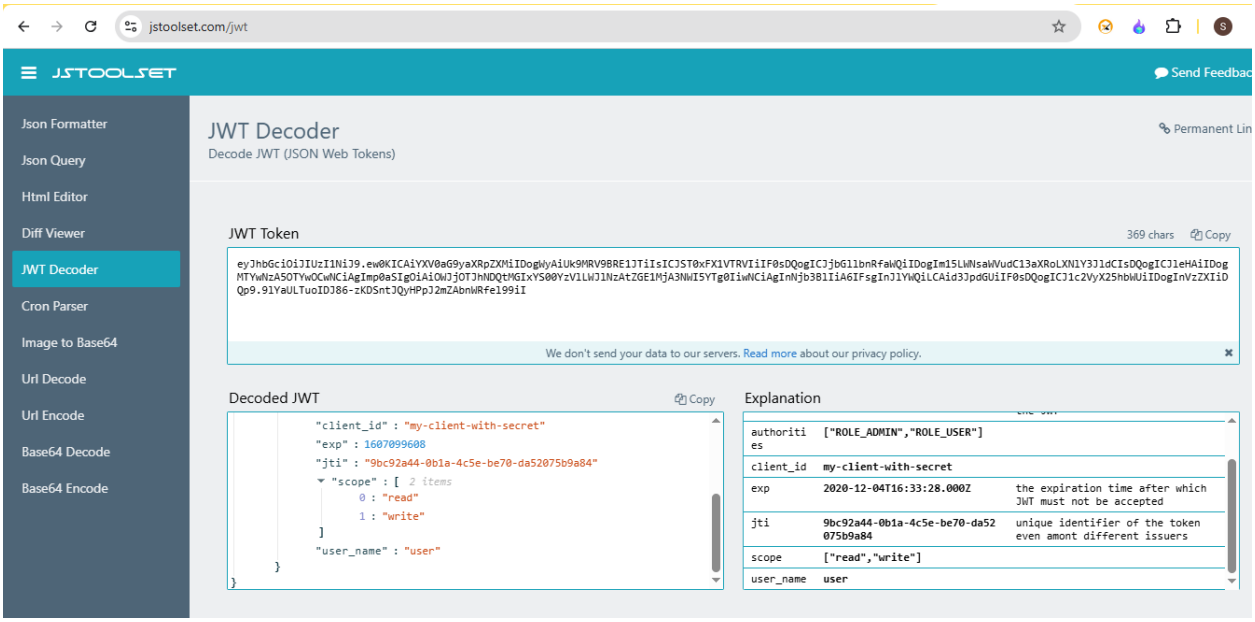


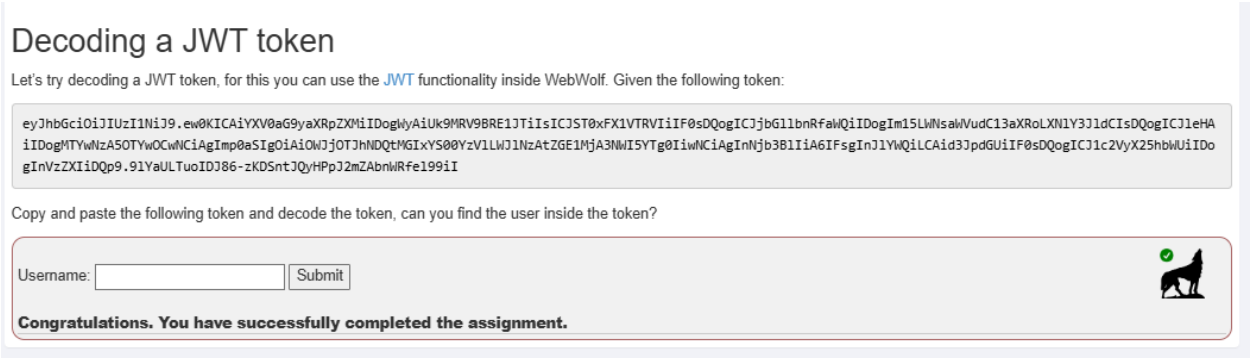


JWT tokens

Challenges:

1. Decoding of JWT token hash using online tool





(A8) Software & Data Integrity

Insecure Deserialization:

What is Serialization

Serialization is the process of turning some object into a data format that can be restored later. People often serialize objects in order to save them to storage, or to send as part of communications. Deserialization is the reverse of that process taking data structured from some format, and rebuilding it into an object. Today, the most popular data format for serializing data is JSON. Before that, it was XML.

a:4:{i:0;i:132;i:1;s:7:"Mallory";i:2;s:4:"user"; i:3;s:32:"b6a8b3bea87fe0e05022f8f3c88bc960";}

Native Serialization

Many programming languages offer a native capability for serializing objects. These native formats usually offer more features than JSON or XML, including customizability of the serialization process. Unfortunately, the features of these native deserialization mechanisms can be repurposed for malicious effect when operating on untrusted data. Attacks against deserializers have been found to allow denial-of-service, access control, and remote code execution attacks.

Known Affected Programming Languages

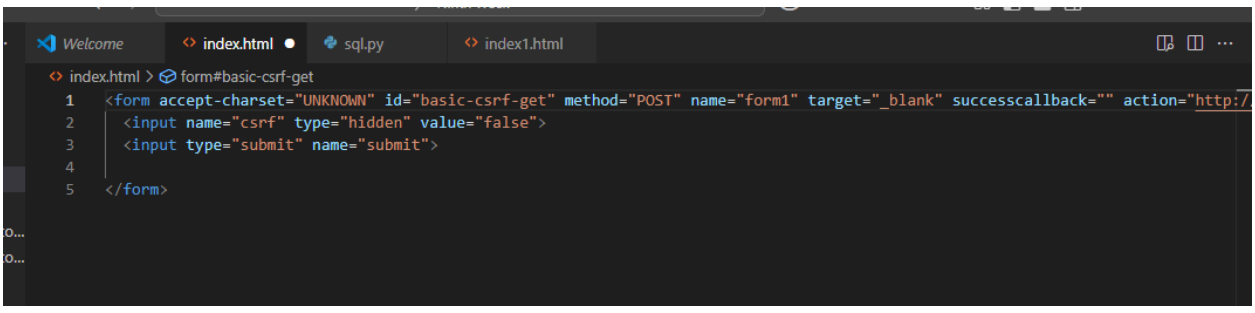
- PHP
- Python
- Ruby
- Java
- C
- C++

CSRF:

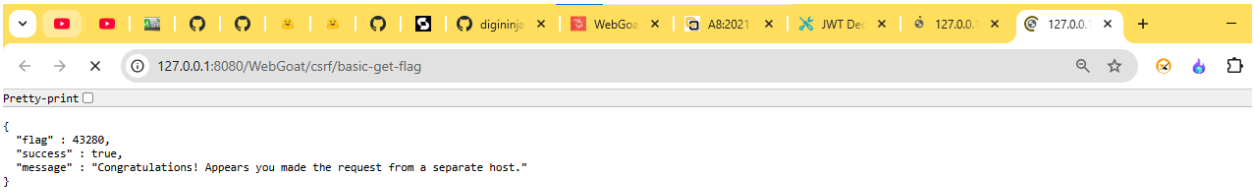
Challenges:

1. Getting the flag using the different site and triggering the page to get the flag

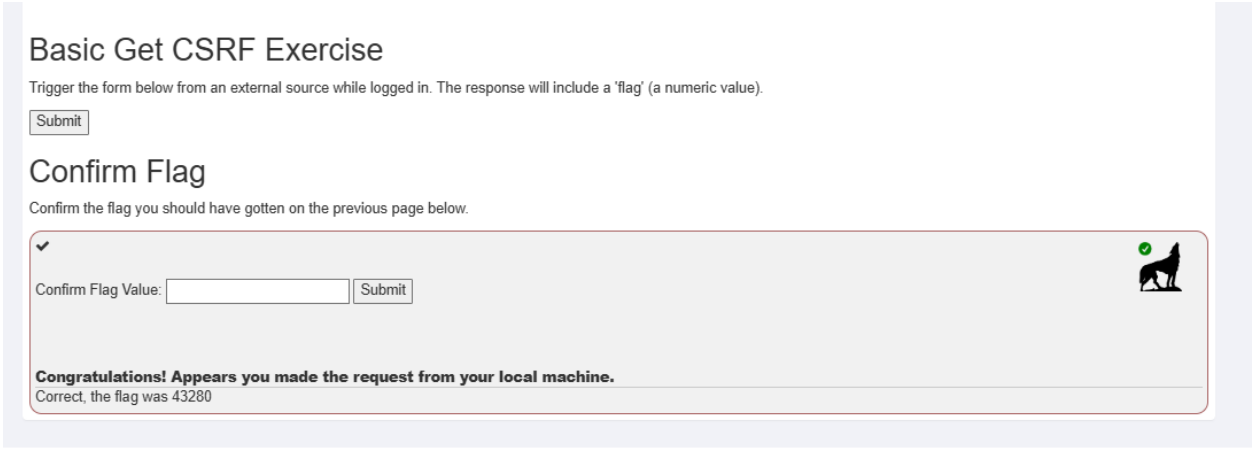
First we are going to create a script



Then we will get a flag only if the user is logged in

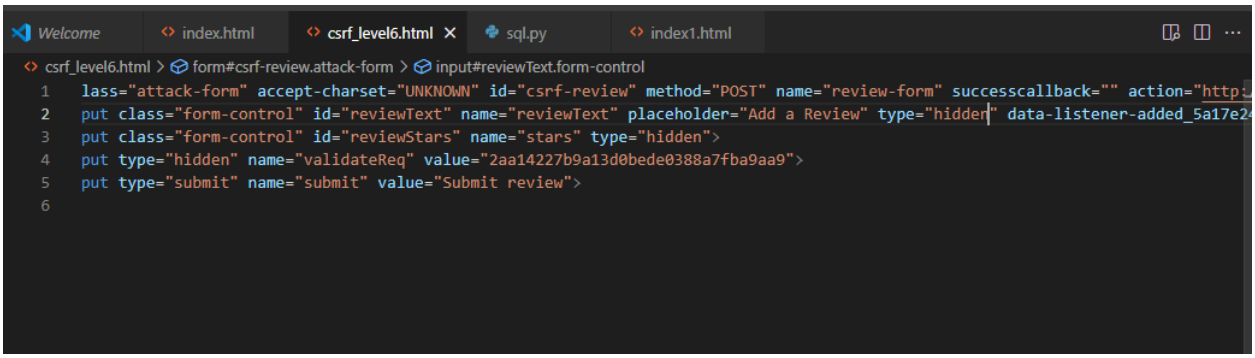


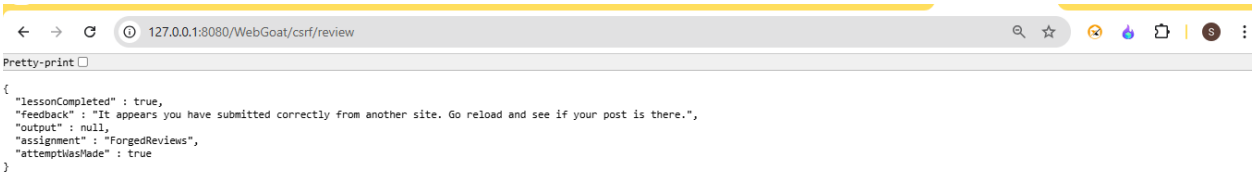
Enter the value in the input box

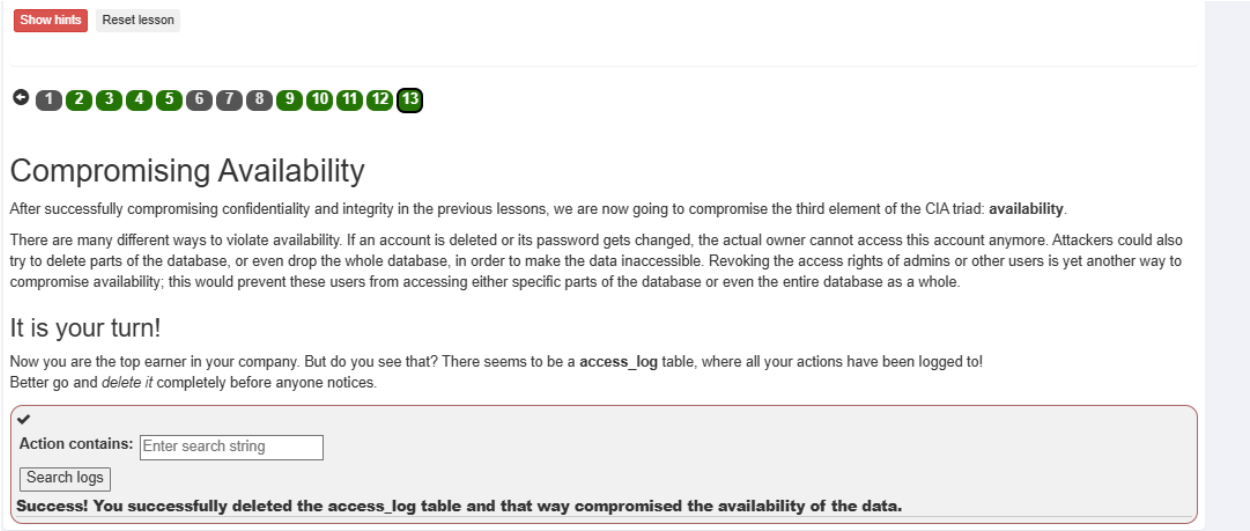


2. Post data csrf:

Here first we will be create a script which helps to post the data and then the challenge will be solved.






Show hints
Reset lesson
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Compromising Availability
After successfully compromising confidentiality and integrity in the previous lessons, we are now going to compromise the third element of the CIA triad: availability.
There are many different ways to violate availability. If an account is deleted or its password gets changed, the actual owner cannot access this account anymore. Attackers could also try to delete parts of the database, or even drop the whole database, in order to make the data inaccessible. Revoking the access rights of admins or other users is yet another way to compromise availability; this would prevent these users from accessing either specific parts of the database or even the entire database as a whole.
It is your turn!
Now you are the top earner in your company. But do you see that? There seems to be a access_log table, where all your actions have been logged to!
Better go and delete it completely before anyone notices.
Action contains:
Enter search string
Search logs
Success! You successfully deleted the access_log table and that way compromised the availability of the data.