

Technical Security Report

1. Special Notes

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3. Technical Summary

3.1. Scan Session Information

URL :	http://testphp.vulnweb.com/
Date:	November 8th, 2020
Scan Policy:	OWASP Policy
SSL Cipher (Algorithm):	N/A
Server Reported:	Nginx/1.14.1 PHP/5.3.10
Server-side Technologies:	[PHP]

3.2. Issues Found

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4. Items that require your attention

4.1. SQL Injection

What is SQL injection (SQLi)?

SQL injection is a web security vulnerability that allows an attacker to interfere with the queries that an application makes to its database. It generally allows an attacker to view data that they are not normally able to retrieve. This might include data belonging to other users, or any other data that the application itself is able to access. In many cases, an attacker can modify or delete this data, causing persistent changes to the application's content or behaviour.

What is the impact of SQL injection attack?

Effective SQL injection attacks can result in unauthorized access to sensitive data, such as passwords , credit card information or personal user data. In recent years, several high-profile data breaches seem to be the result of SQL injection attacks, leading to reputation loss and regulatory fines.

How to prevent it.

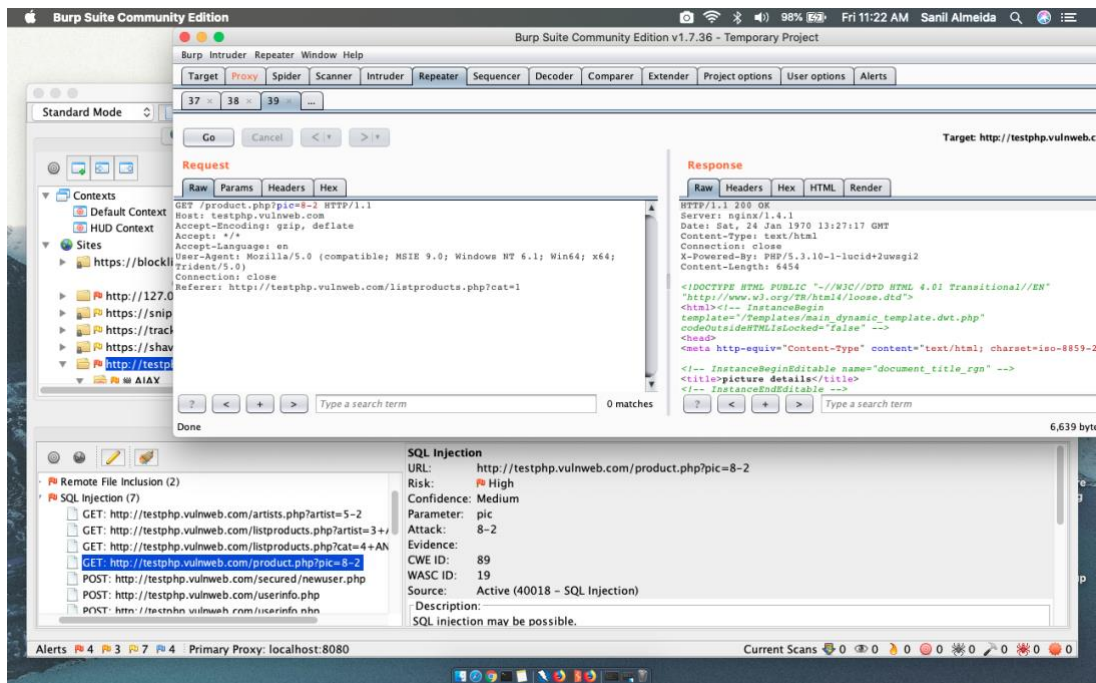
1. Do not trust client side input, even if there is client side validation in place.
2. In general, type check all data on the server side.
3. If the application uses JDBC, use PreparedStatement or CallableStatement, with parameters passed by '?'
4. If the application uses ASP, use ADO Command Objects with strong type checking and parameterized queries.
5. If database Stored Procedures can be used, use them.
6. Do **not** concatenate strings into queries in the stored procedure, or use 'exec', 'exec immediate', or equivalent functionality!
7. Do not create dynamic SQL queries using simple string concatenation.
8. Escape all data received from the client.
9. Apply a 'whitelist' of allowed characters, or a 'blacklist' of disallowed characters in user input.
10. Apply the principle of least privilege by using the least privileged database user possible.

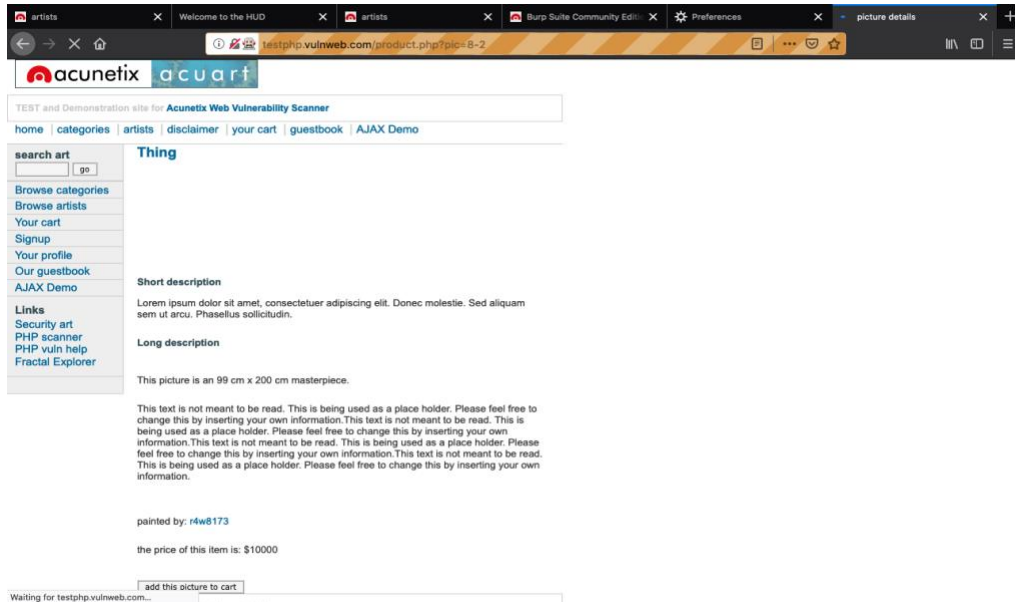
11. In particular, avoid using the 'sa' or 'db-owner' database users. This does not eliminate SQL injection, but minimizes its impact.
12. Grant the minimum database access that is necessary for the application.

List of vulnerable links to SQLi attack.

1. Attack 1

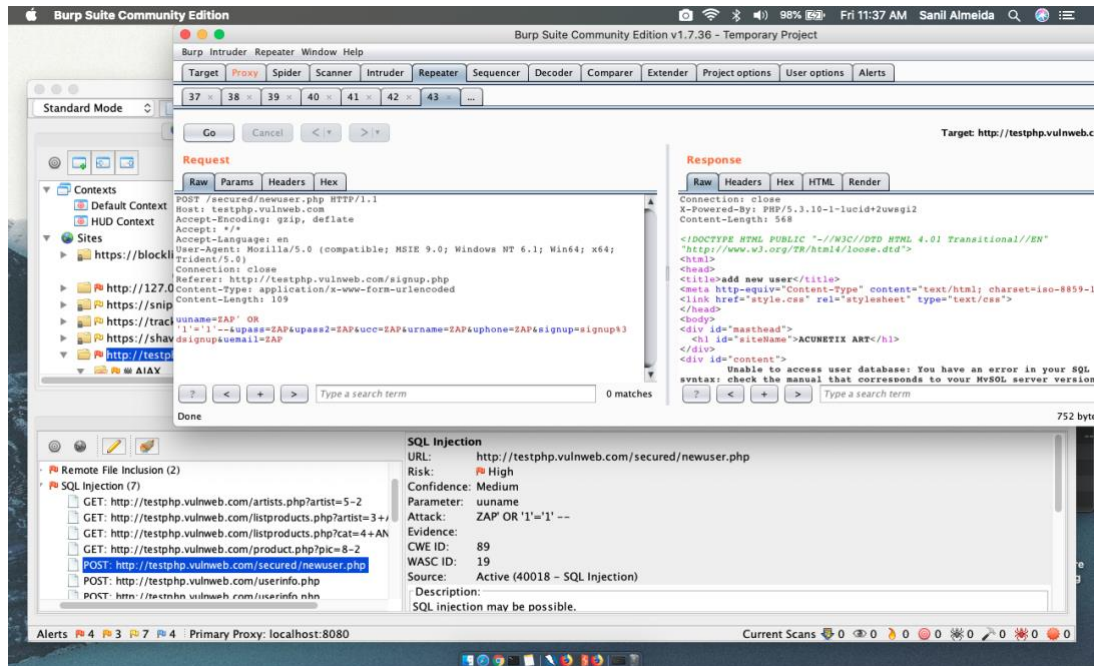
- Vulnerable URL: <http://testphp.vulnweb.com/product.php?pic=8-2>
- Risk: High
- Injection Parameter: pic
- Attack: 8-2
- Proof of Concept:

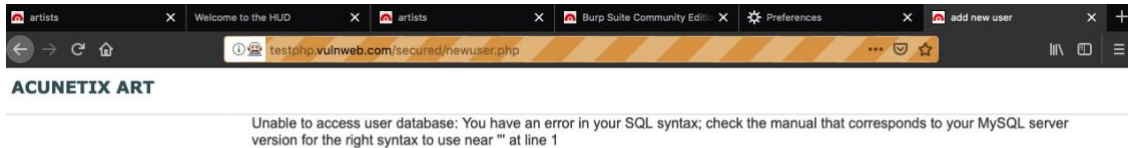




2. Attack 2

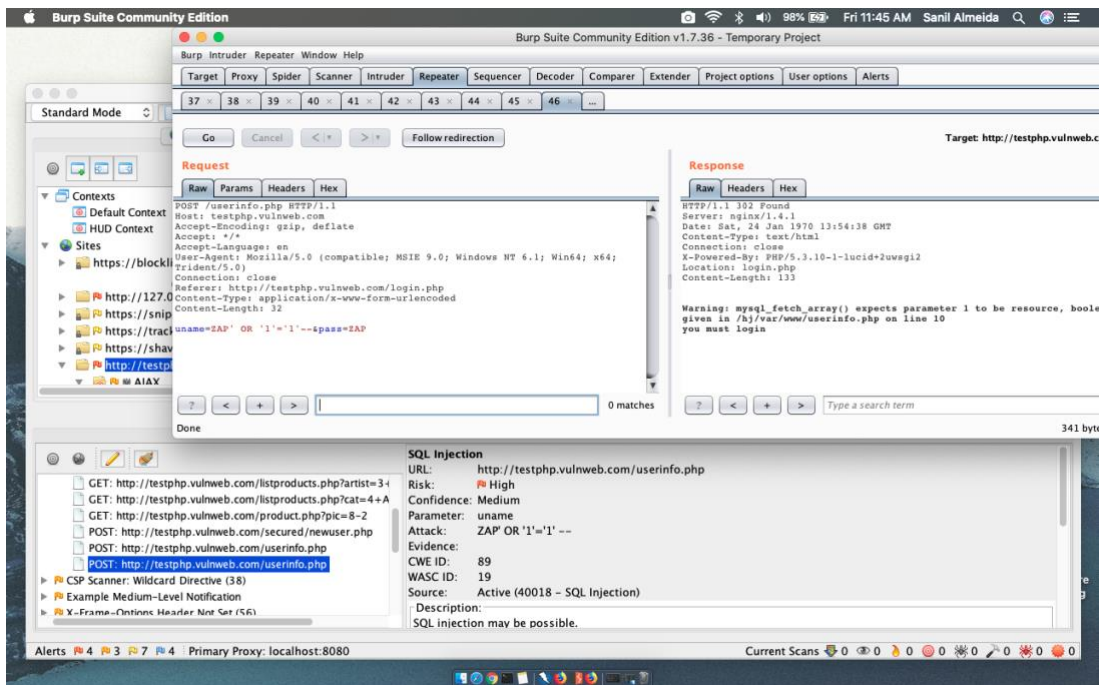
- Vulnerable URL: <http://testphp.vulnweb.com/secured/newuser.php>
- Risk: High
- Injection Parameter: uname
- Attack: ZAP' OR '1'='1'--
- Proof of Concept:





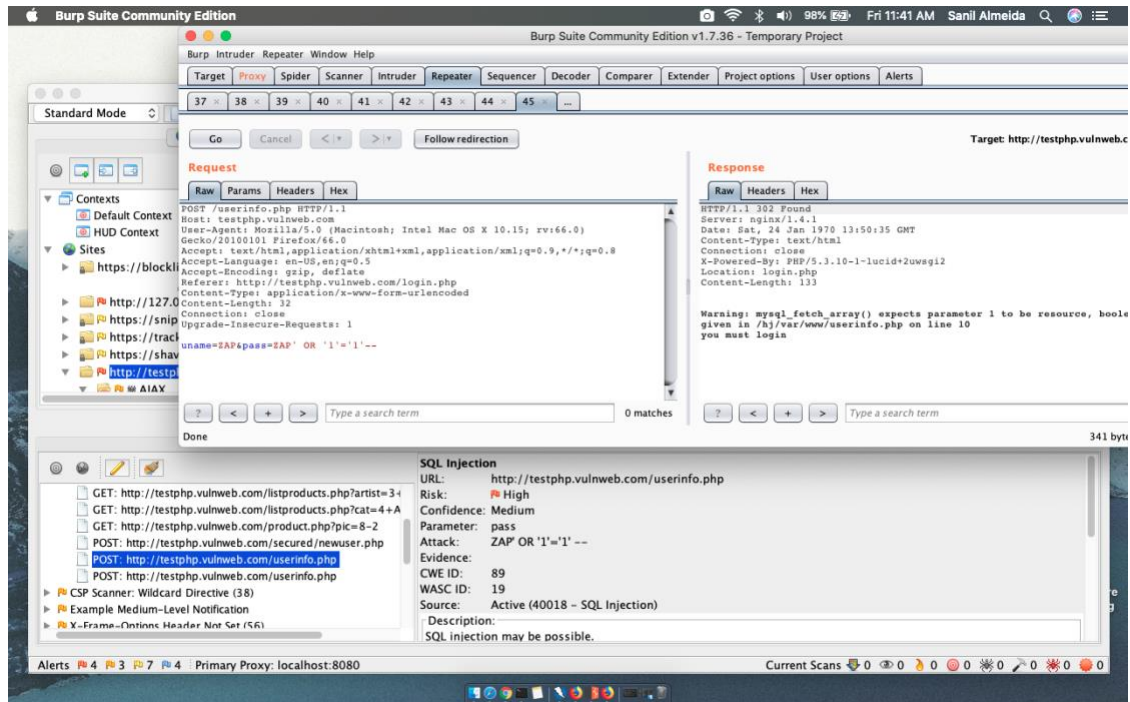
3. Attack 3

- Vulnerable URL: <http://testphp.vulnweb.com/secured/userinfo.php>
- Risk: High
- Injection Parameter: uname
- Attack: ZAP' OR '1'='1'—
- Proof of Concept:



4. Attack 4

- Vulnerable URL: <http://testphp.vulnweb.com/secured/userinfo.php>
- Risk: High
- Injection Parameter: pass
- Attack: ZAP' OR '1'='1'—
- Proof of Concept:



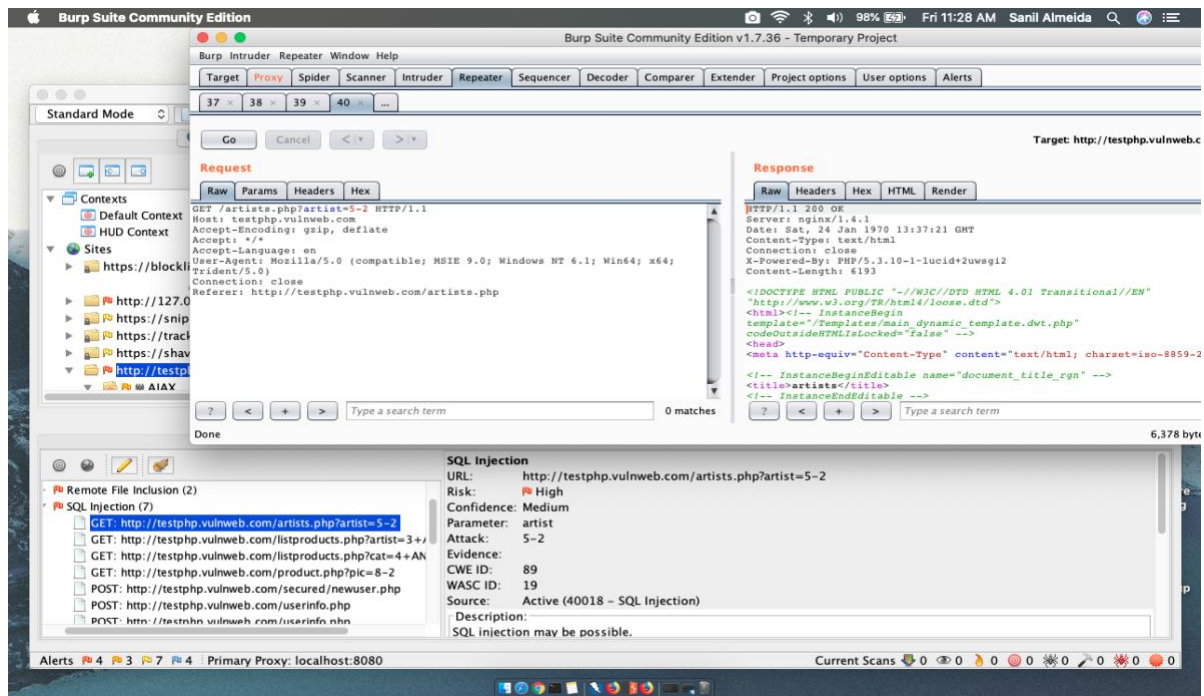
False Positives

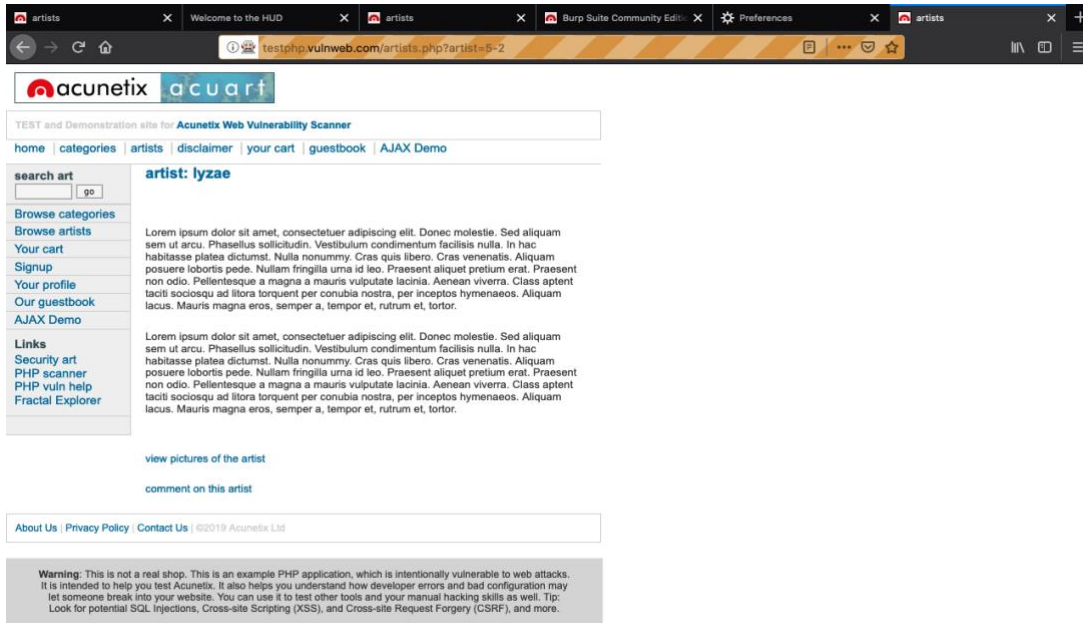
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False Positive vulnerable links to SQLi attack.

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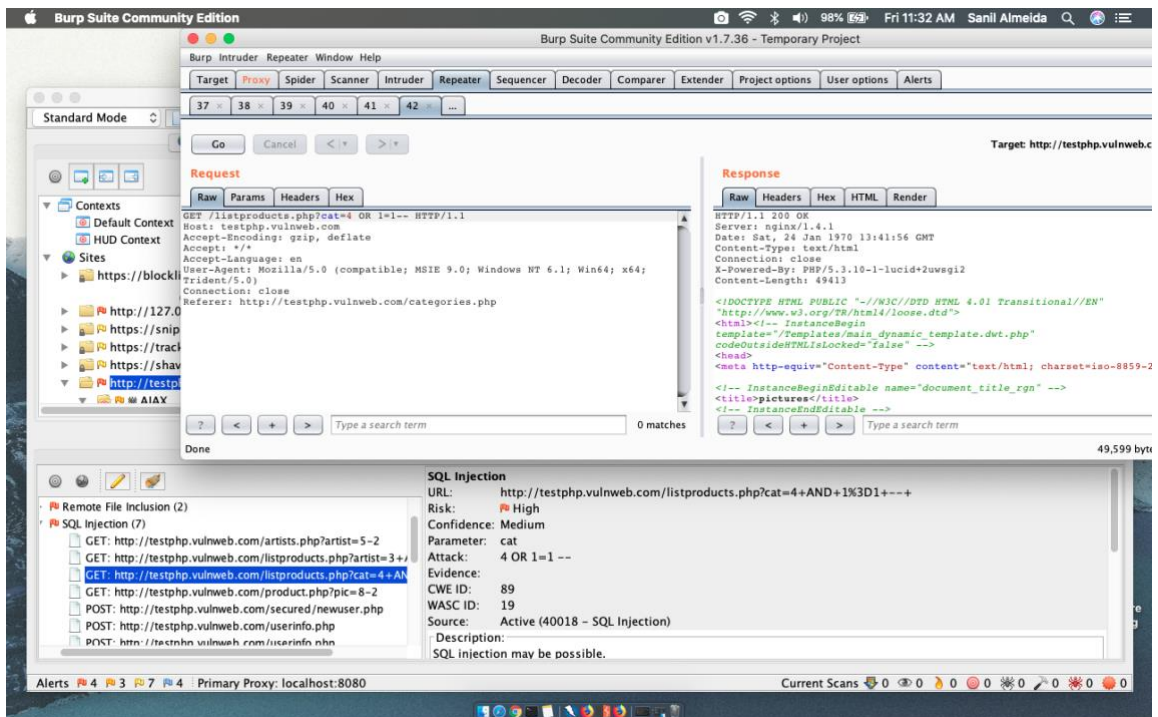
- Vulnerable URL: <http://testphp.vulnweb.com/artists.php?artist=5-2>
- Risk: High
- Injection Parameter: artist
- Attack: 5-2
- Proof of Concept:

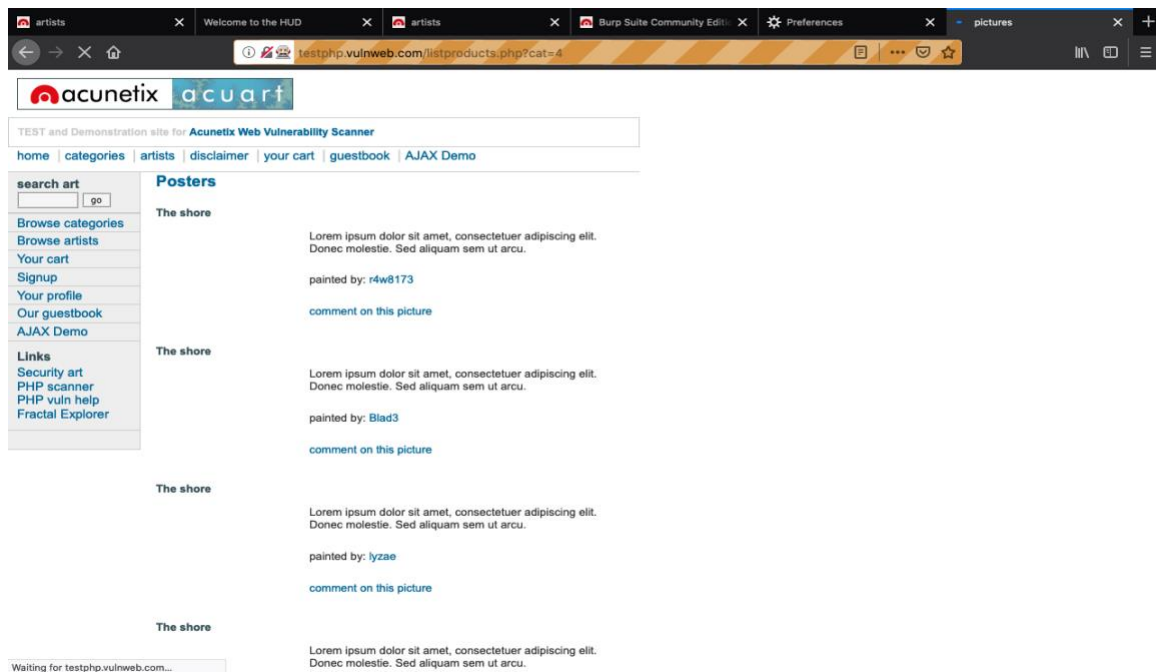




2. Attack 2

- Vulnerable URL: `http://testphp.vulnweb.com/listproducts.php?cat=4 OR 1=1 --`
- Risk: High
- Injection Parameter: cat
- Attack: `4 OR 1=1 --`
- Proof of Concept:





4.2. Cross Site Scripting (XSS)

What is Cross Site Scripting (XSS)?

Cross-Site Scripting (XSS) attacks are a type of injection, in which malicious scripts are injected into otherwise benign and trusted websites. XSS attacks occur when an attacker uses a web application to send malicious code, generally in the form of a browser side script, to a different end user. Flaws that allow these attacks to succeed are quite widespread and occur anywhere a web application uses input from a user within the output it generates without validating or encoding it.

An attacker can use XSS to send a malicious script to an unsuspecting user. The end user's browser has no way to know that the script should not be trusted, and will execute the script. Because it thinks the script came from a trusted source, the malicious script can access any cookies, session tokens, or other sensitive information retained by the browser and used with that site. These scripts can even rewrite the content of the HTML page.

What is the impact of XSS attack?

The impact of cross-site scripting vulnerabilities can vary from one web application to another. It ranges from session hijacking to credential theft and other security vulnerabilities. By exploiting a cross-site scripting vulnerability, an attacker can impersonate a legitimate user and take over their account.

If the victim user has administrative privileges, it might lead to severe damage such as modifications in code or databases to further weaken the security of the web application, depending on the rights of the account and the web application.

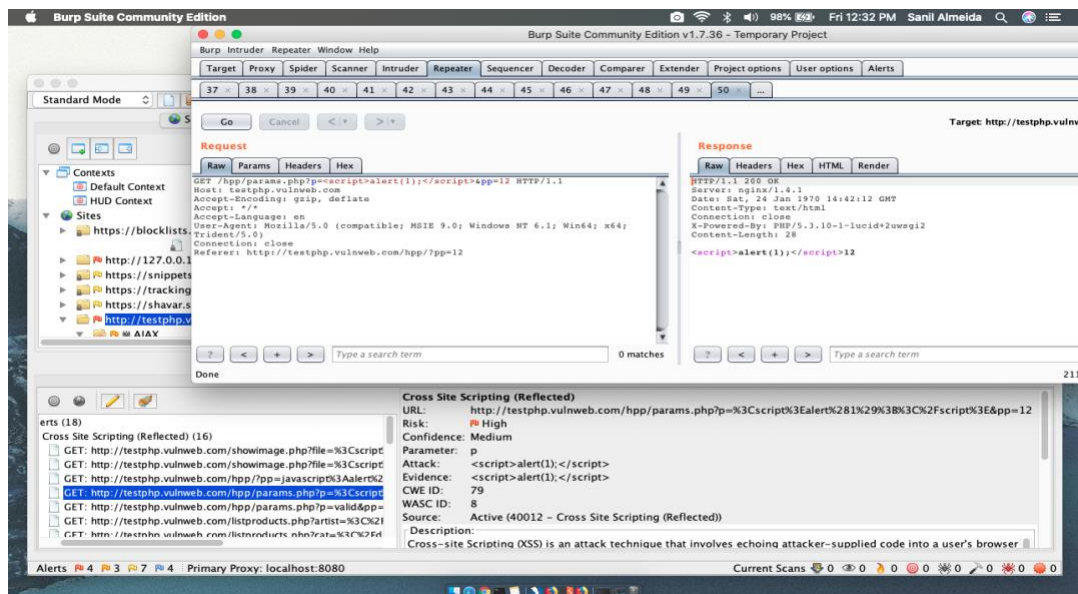
How to prevent it.

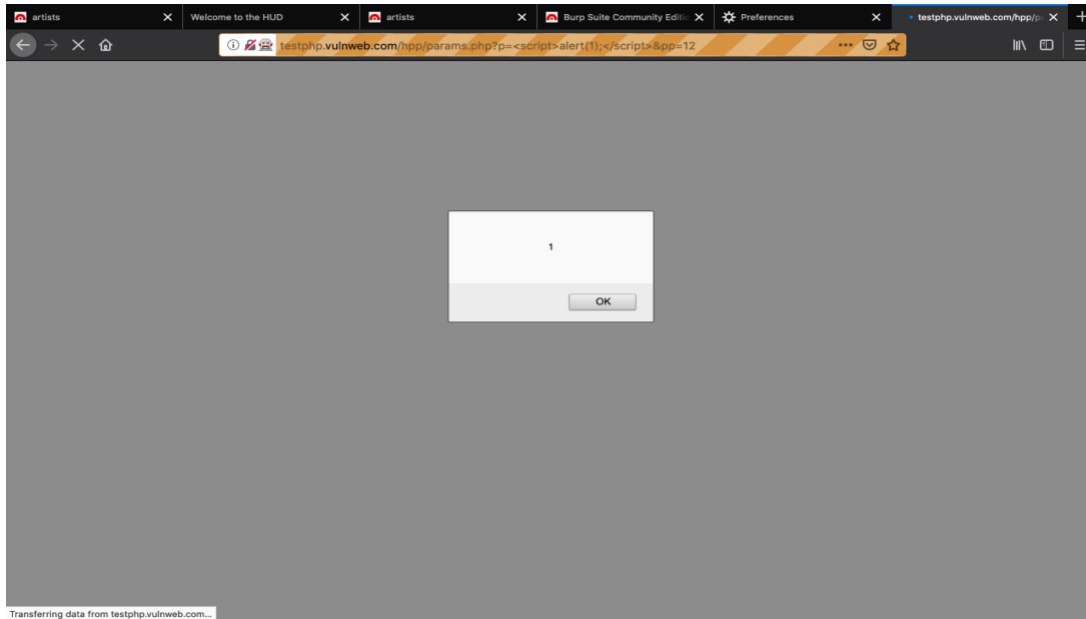
1. Sanitize data input in an HTTP request before reflecting it back, ensuring all data is validated, filtered or escaped before echoing anything back to the user, such as the values of query parameters during searches.
2. Convert special characters such as ?, &, /, <, > and spaces to their respective HTML or URL encoded equivalents.
3. Protect your web application from various forms of cross-site scripting by using HTML entity encoding before sending untrusted data into a browser.
4. Use security headers and set the HTTPOnly flag of your session cookie and other custom cookies you may have that are not accessed by any JavaScript codes you wrote.
5. Implement content security policy.

List of vulnerable links to XSS attack.

1. Attack 1

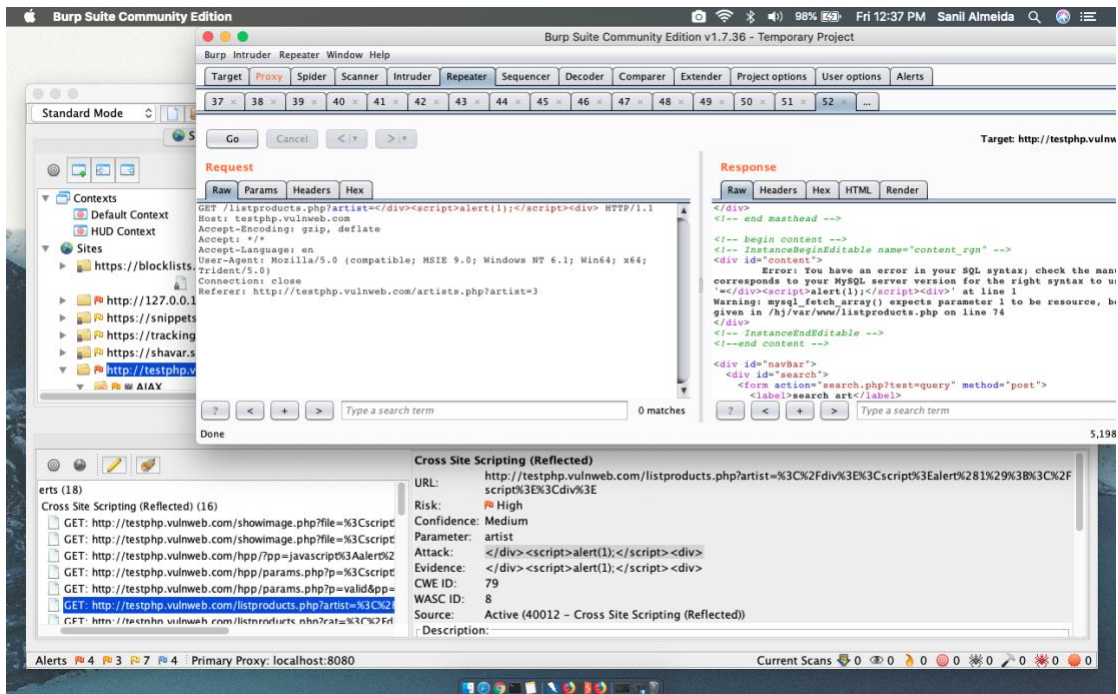
- Vulnerable URL: <http://testphp.vulnweb.com/hpp/params.php?p=3&pp=12>
- Risk: High
- Injection Parameter: p
- Attack: `<script>alert(1);</script>`
- Proof of Concept:

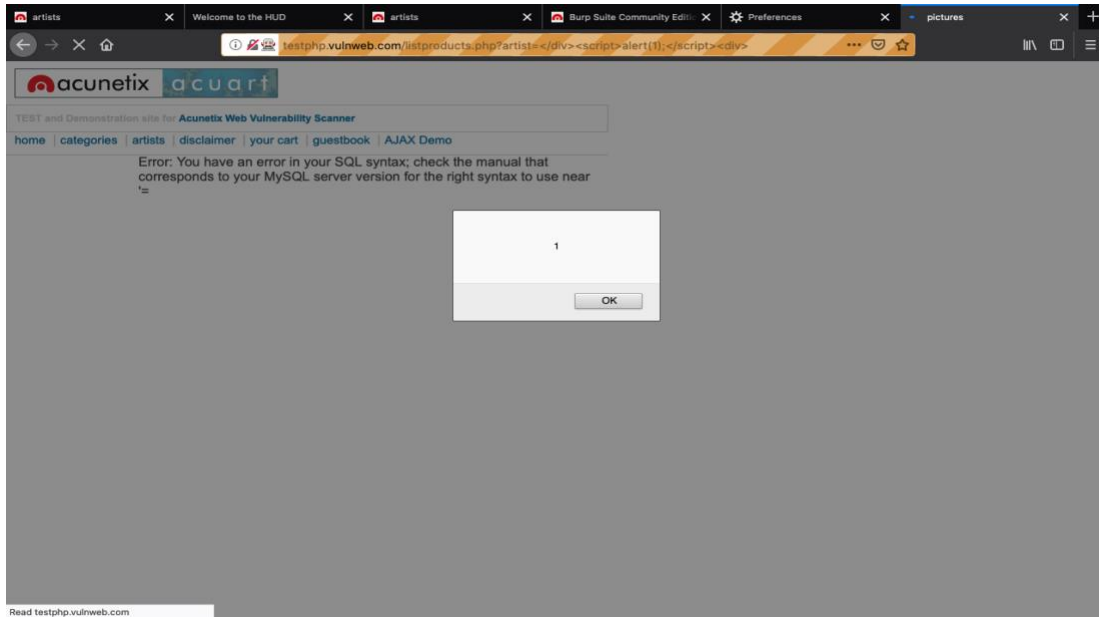




2. Attack 2

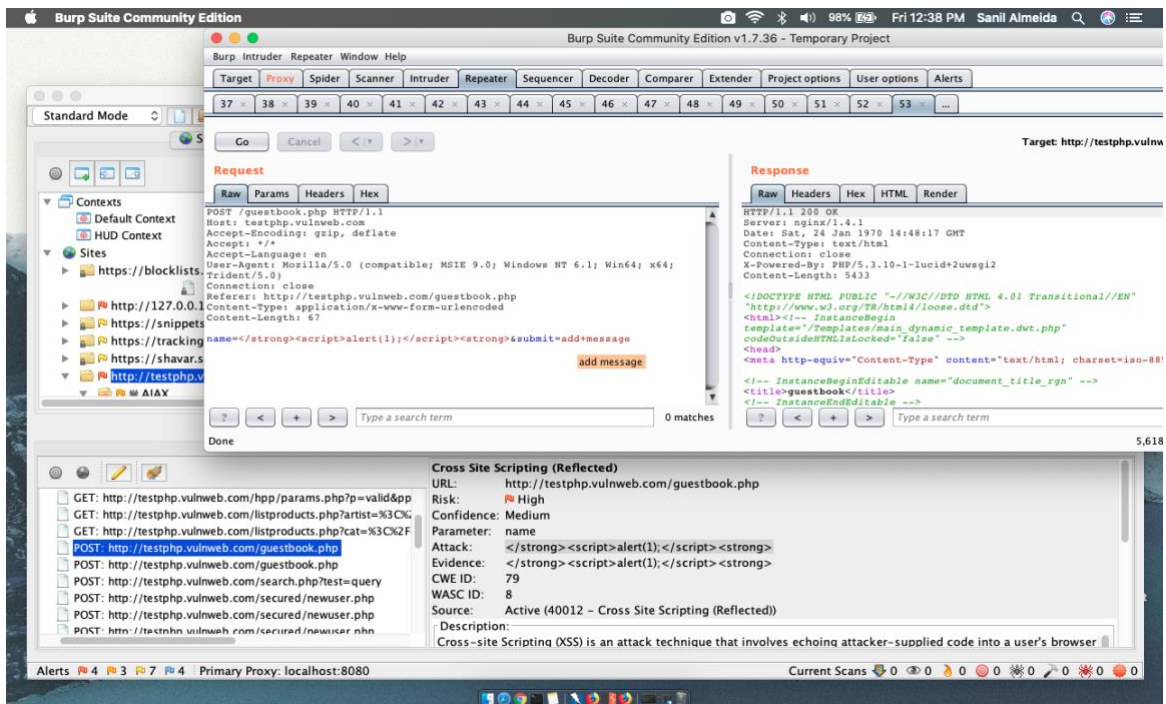
- Vulnerable URL: <http://testphp.vulnweb.com/istproducts.php?artist=>
- Risk: High
- Injection Parameter: artist
- Attack: `</div><script>alert(1);</script><div>`
- Proof of Concept:

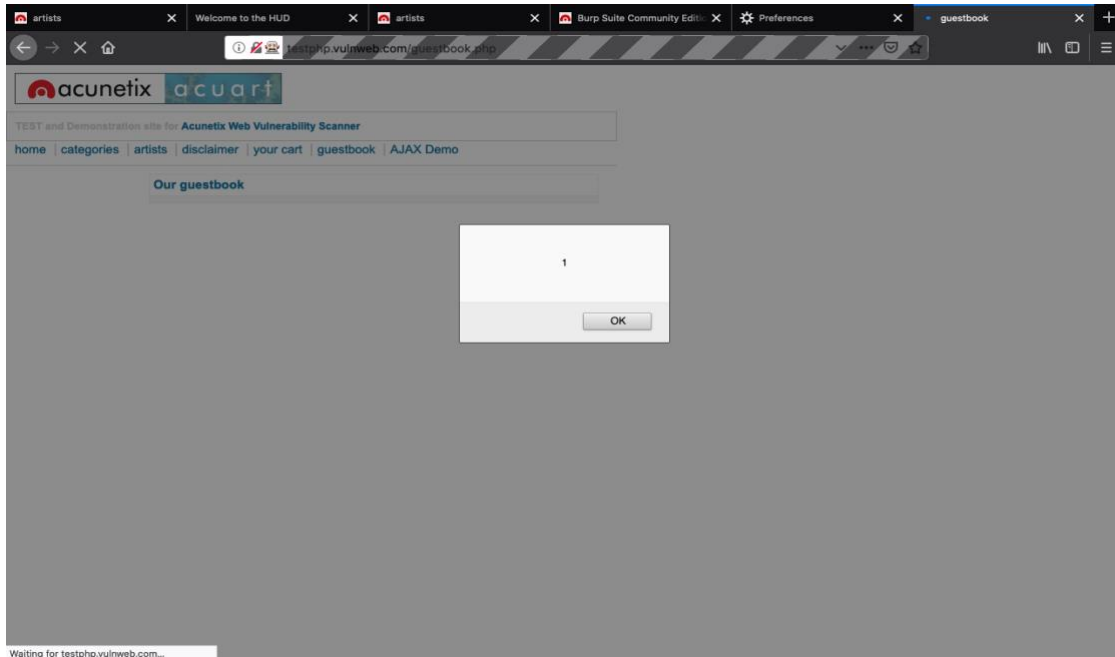




3. Attack 3

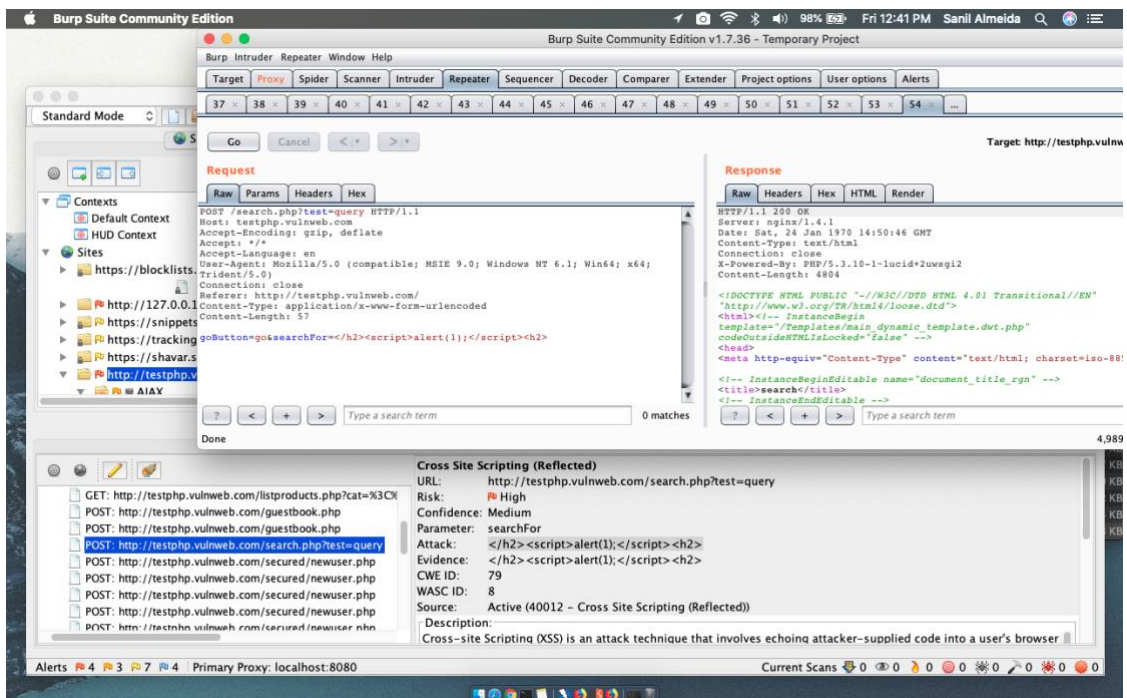
- Vulnerable URL: <http://testphp.vulnweb.com/guestbook.php>
- Risk: High
- Injection Parameter: name
- Attack: `<script>alert(1);</script>`
- Proof of Concept:

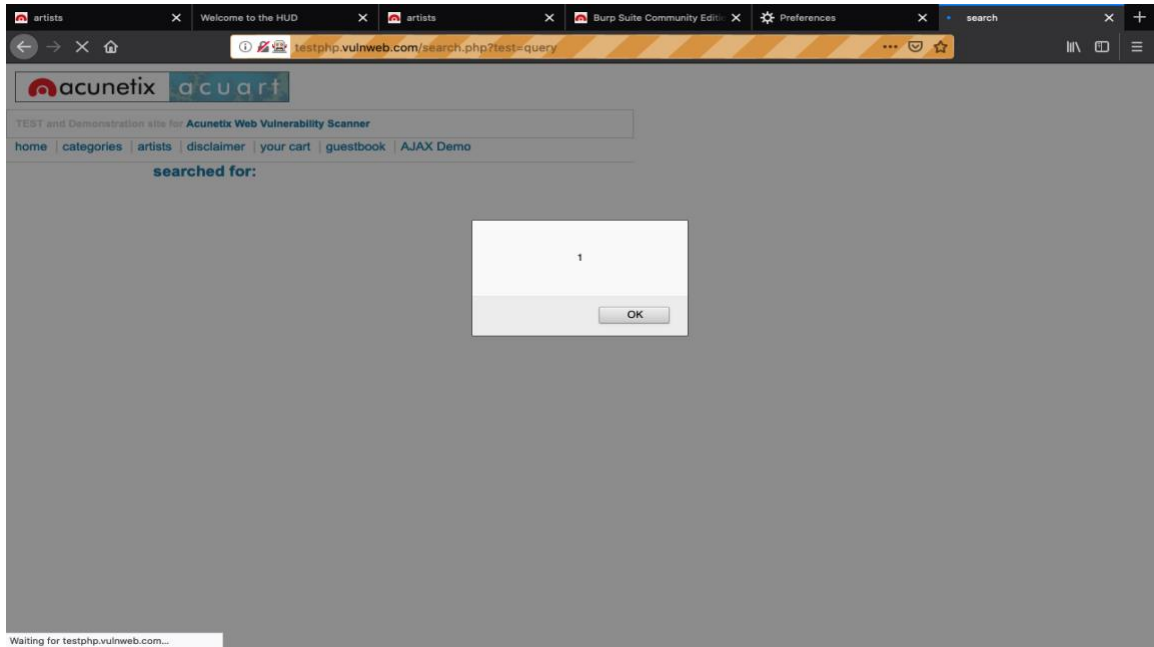




4. Attack 4

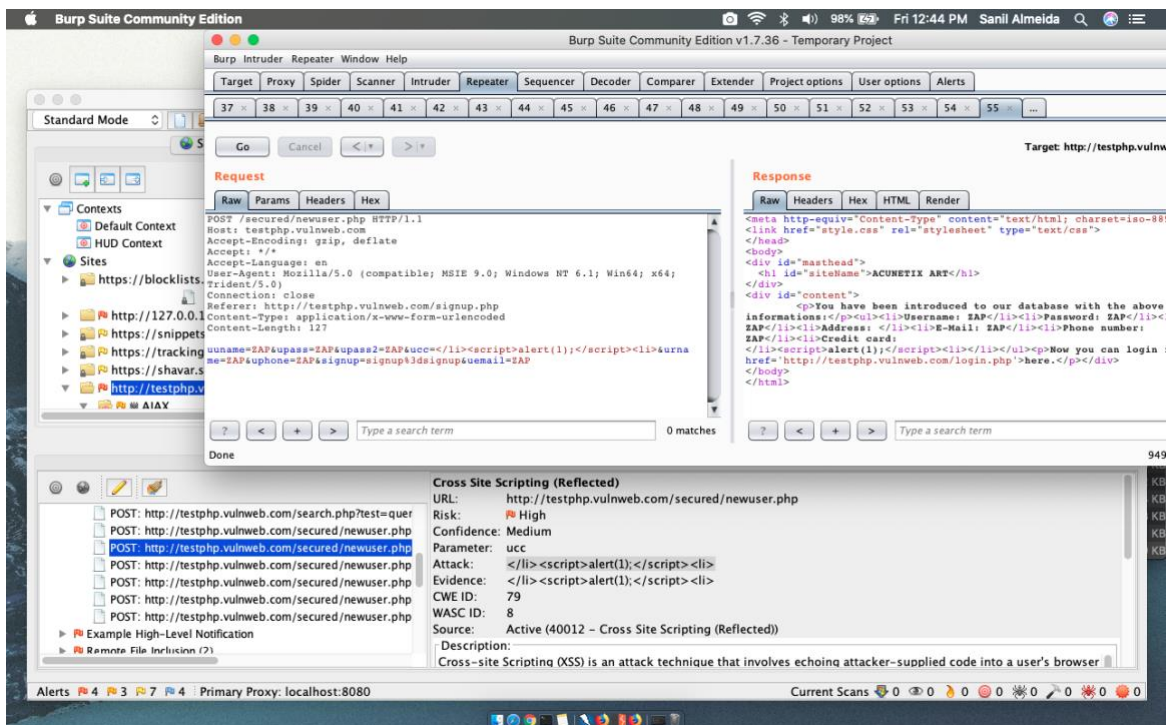
- Vulnerable URL: <http://testphp.vulnweb.com/search.php?test=query>
- Risk: High
- Injection Parameter: searchFor
- Attack: `</h2><script>alert(1);</script><h2>`
- Proof of Concept:

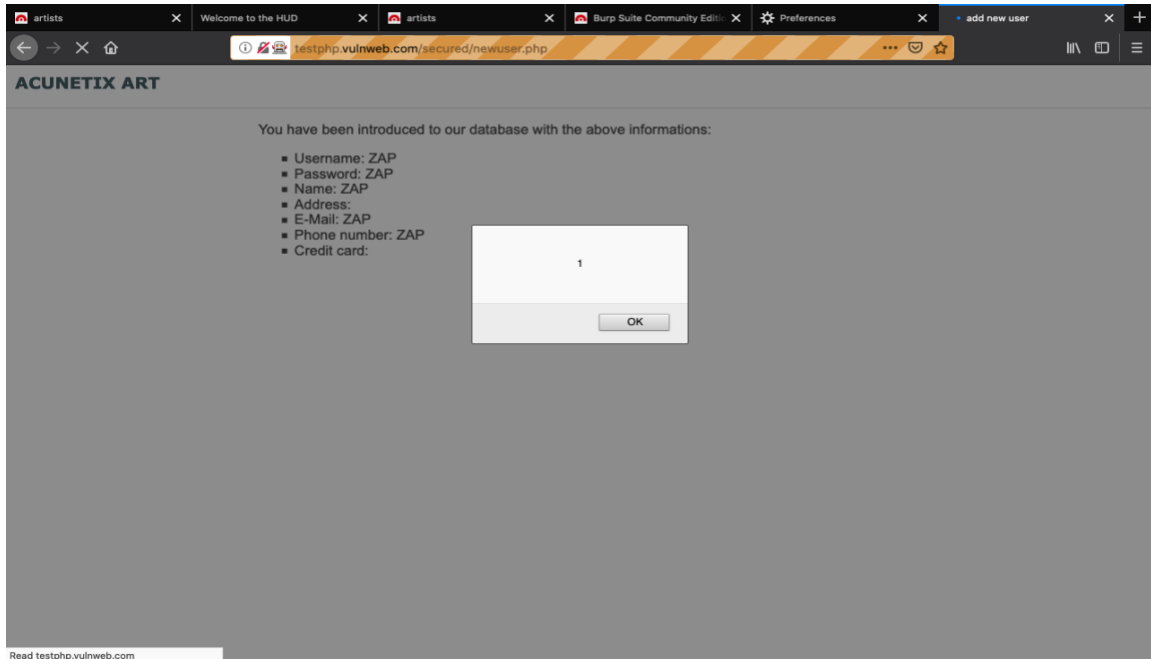




5. Attack 5

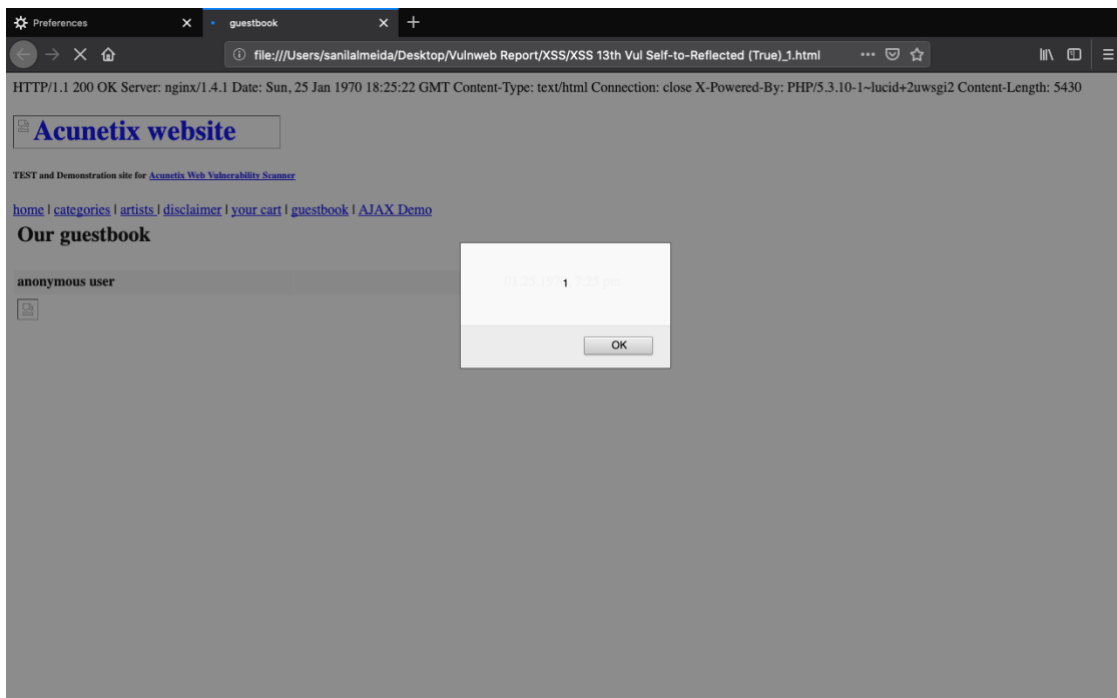
- Vulnerable URL: <http://testphp.vulnweb.com/secured/newuser.php>
- Risk: High
- Injection Parameter: ucc
- Attack: `<script>alert(1);</script>`
- Proof of Concept:





6. Attack 6

- Vulnerable URL: <http://testphp.vulnweb.com/guestbook.php>
- Risk: High
- Injection Parameter: text
- Attack: `</td><script>alert(1);</script><td>`
- Proof of Concept: **This is a Self-Reflected XSS (The html file is attached with this doc)**



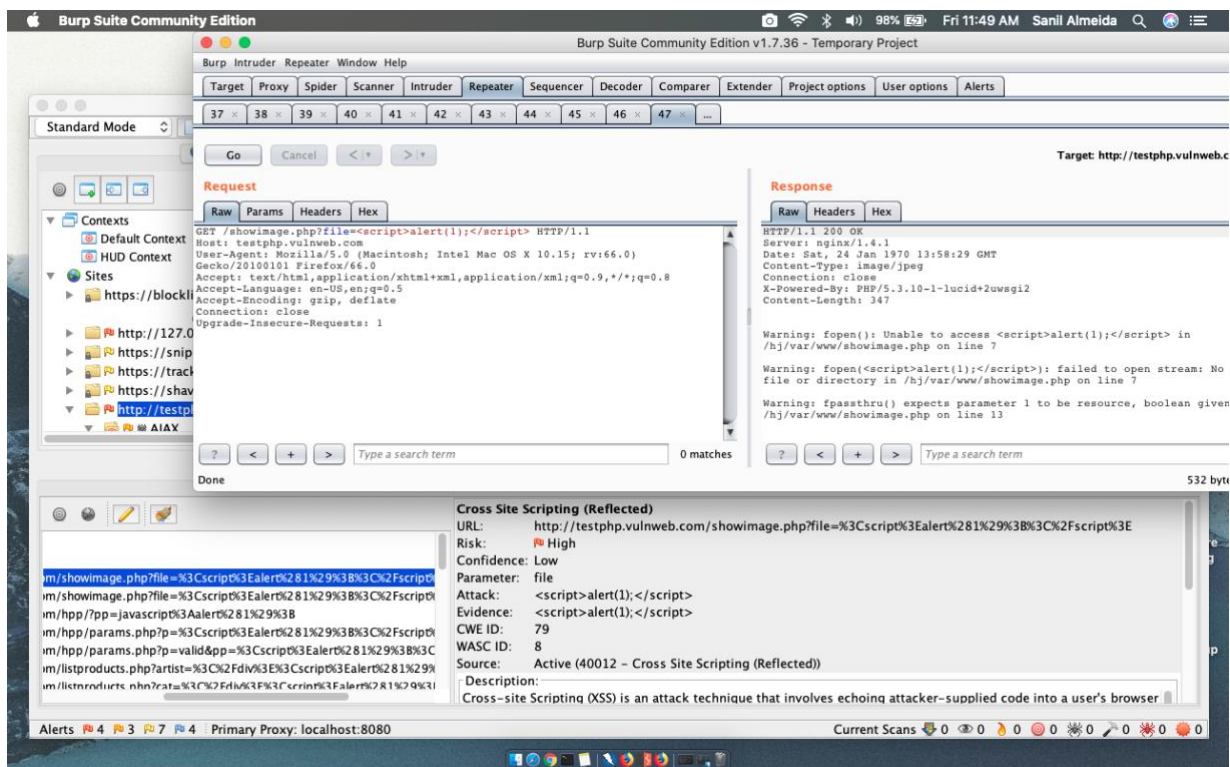
False Positives

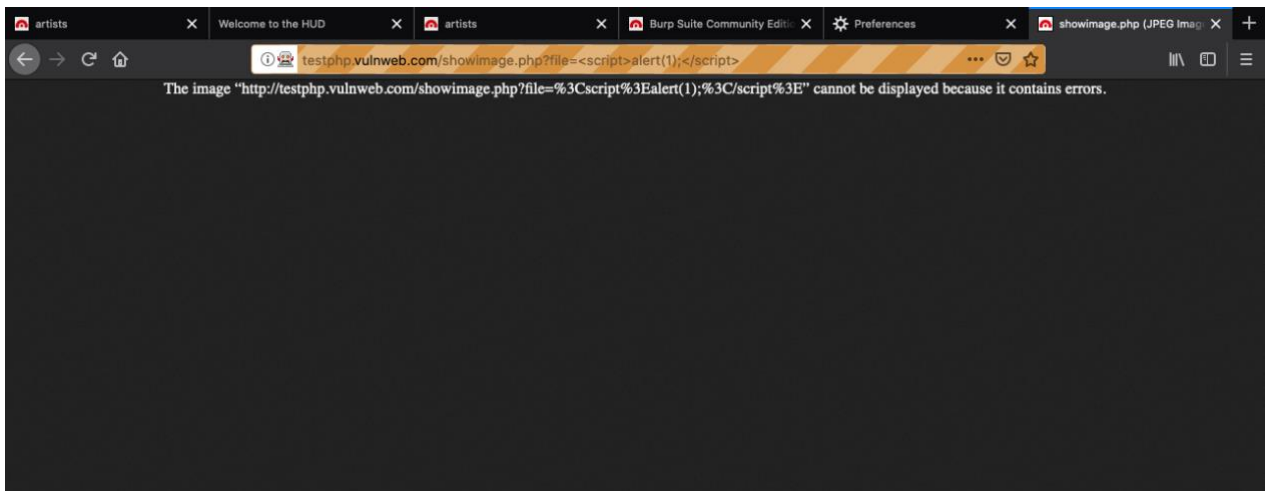
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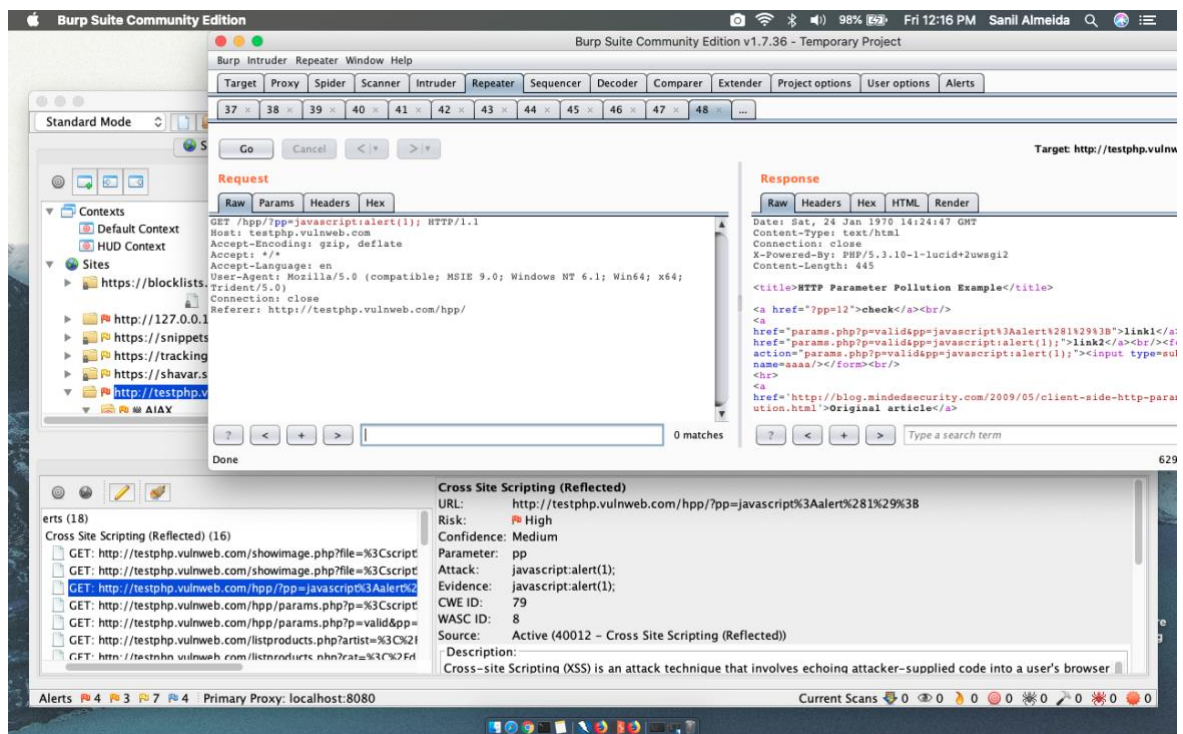
- Vulnerable URL: <http://testphp.vulnweb.com/showimage.php?file=>
- Risk: High
- Injection Parameter: file
- Attack: `<script>alert(1);</script>`
- Proof of Concept:

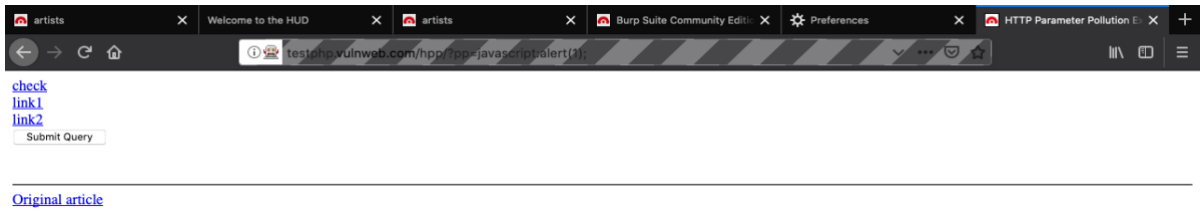




2. Attack 2

- Vulnerable URL: <http://testphp.vulnweb.com/hpp/?pp=>
- Risk: High
- Injection Parameter: pp
- Attack: javascript:alert(1);
- Proof of Concept:





4.3. Remote OS Command Injection (Shell Injection)

What is Remote OS Command Injection (Shell Injection)?

OS command injection (also known as shell injection) is a web security vulnerability that allows an attacker to execute arbitrary operating system (OS) commands on the server that is running an application, and typically fully compromise the application and all its data. Very often, an attacker can leverage an OS command injection vulnerability to compromise other parts of the hosting infrastructure, exploiting trust relationships to pivot the attack to other systems within the organization.

What is the impact of Remote OS Command injection attack?

By exploiting a command injection vulnerability in a vulnerable application, attackers can add additional commands or inject their own operating system commands. This means that during a command injection attack, an attacker can easily take complete control of the host operating system of the web server.

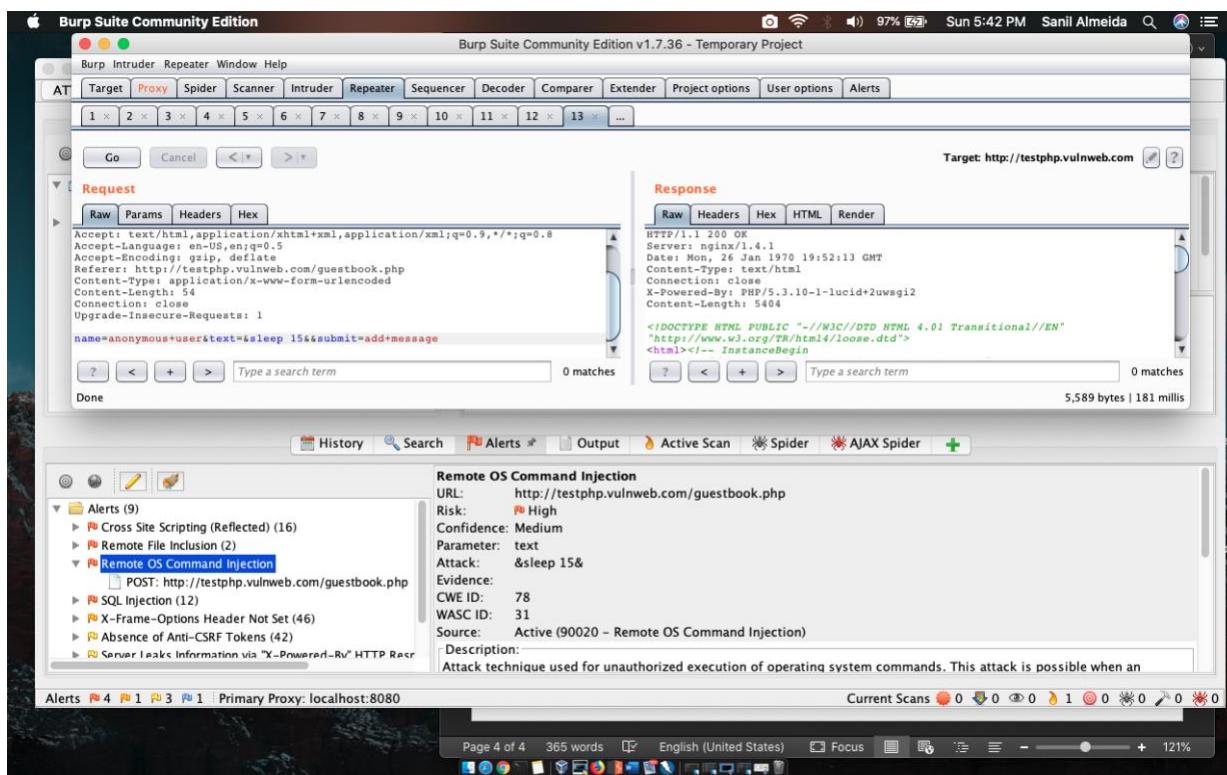
How to prevent it.

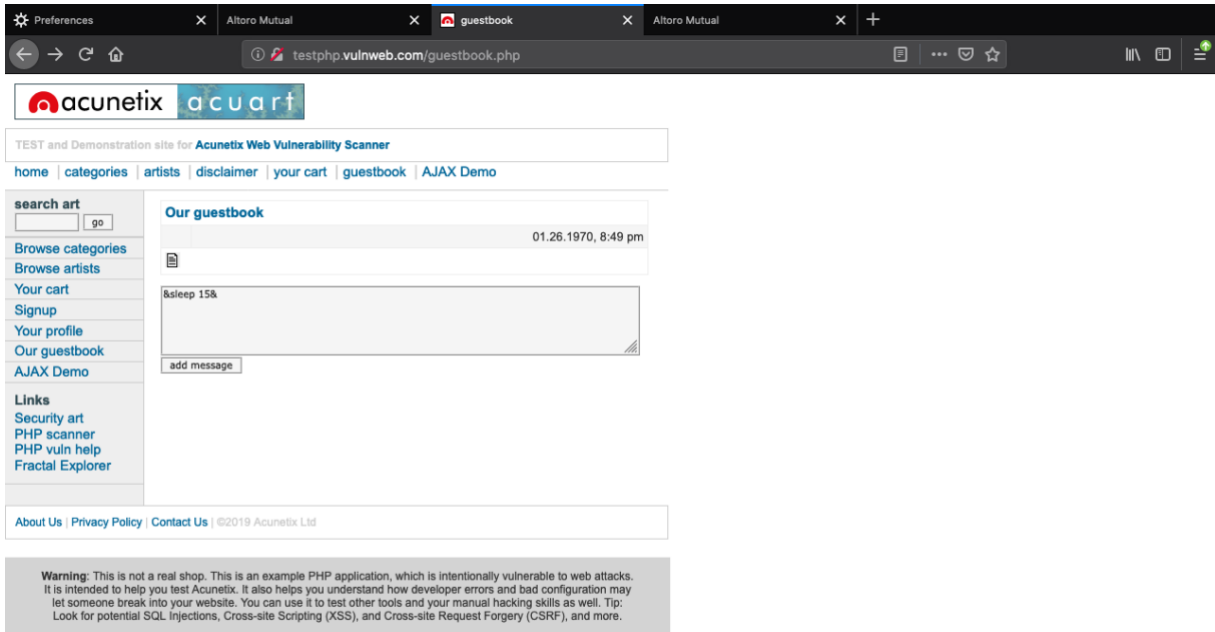
1. Validate user input as close to the external interface as possible, to ensure that entered data contains only expected inputs.
2. Review used languages, Java, PHP, Asp.Net, and Python are less susceptible to command injection because there is a framework between the application and the operating system.
3. Avoid calling OS commands directly Built-in library functions are a very good alternative to OS commands, and they cannot be manipulated to perform tasks other than those intended.
4. Use Static Code Analysis Analyze your source code with Code Security tools to discover command injection vulnerabilities as early as possible in the SDLC.

List of vulnerable links to Remote OS Command Injection.

1. Attack 1

- Vulnerable URL: <http://testphp.vulnweb.com/guestbook.php>
- Risk: High
- Injection Parameter: text
- Attack: `&sleep 15&`
- Proof of Concept:





4.4. Information Disclosure

What is Information Disclosure?

Information disclosure, also known as information leakage, is when a website unintentionally reveals sensitive information to its users. Depending on the context, websites may leak all kinds of information to a potential attacker, including:

- Data about other users, such as usernames or financial information.
- Sensitive commercial or business data.
- Technical details about the website and its infrastructure.

What is the impact of Information Disclosure?

Information disclosure vulnerabilities can have both a direct and indirect impact depending on the purpose of the website and, therefore, what information an attacker is able to obtain. In some cases, the act of disclosing sensitive information alone can have a high impact on the affected parties.

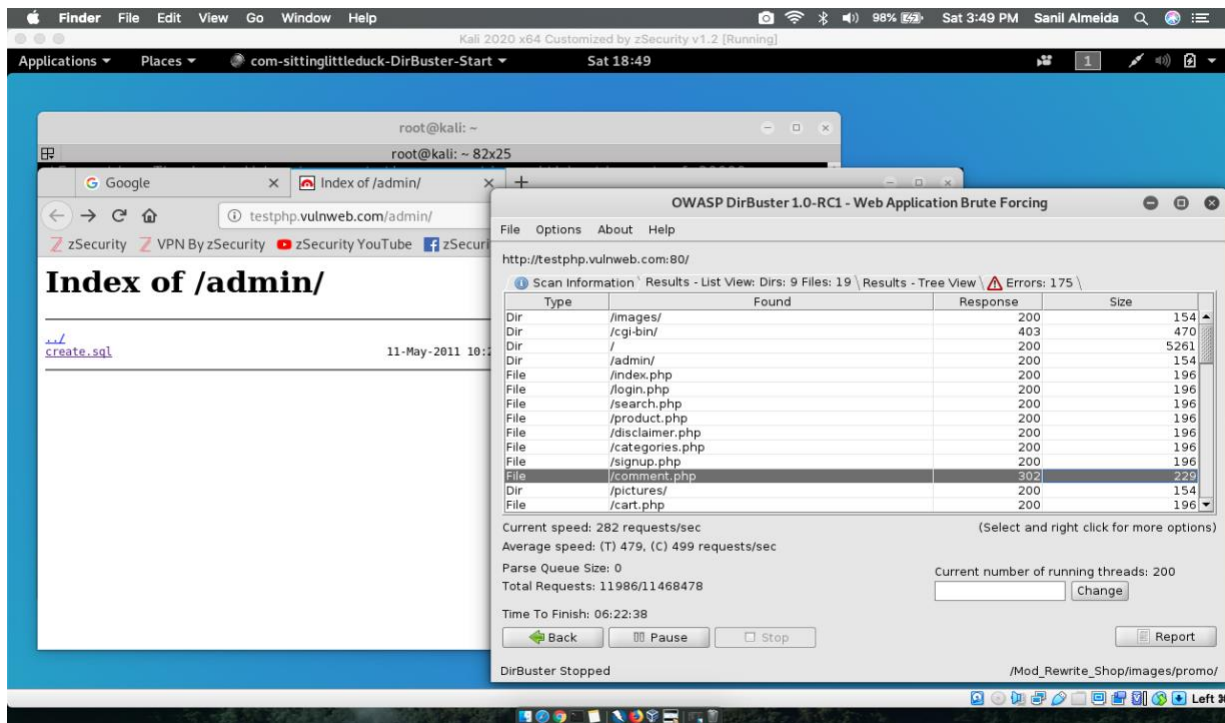
How to prevent it.

1. Make sure that everyone involved in producing the website is fully aware of what information is considered sensitive.
2. Audit any code for potential information disclosure as part of your QA or build processes. It should be relatively easy to automate some of the associated tasks, such as stripping developer comments.
3. Use generic error messages as much as possible. Don't provide attackers with clues about application behaviour unnecessarily.
4. Double-check that any debugging or diagnostic features are disabled in the production environment.
5. Make sure you fully understand the configuration settings, and security implications, of any third-party technology that you implement. Take the time to investigate and disable any features and settings that you don't actually need.

List of vulnerable links to Information Disclosure.

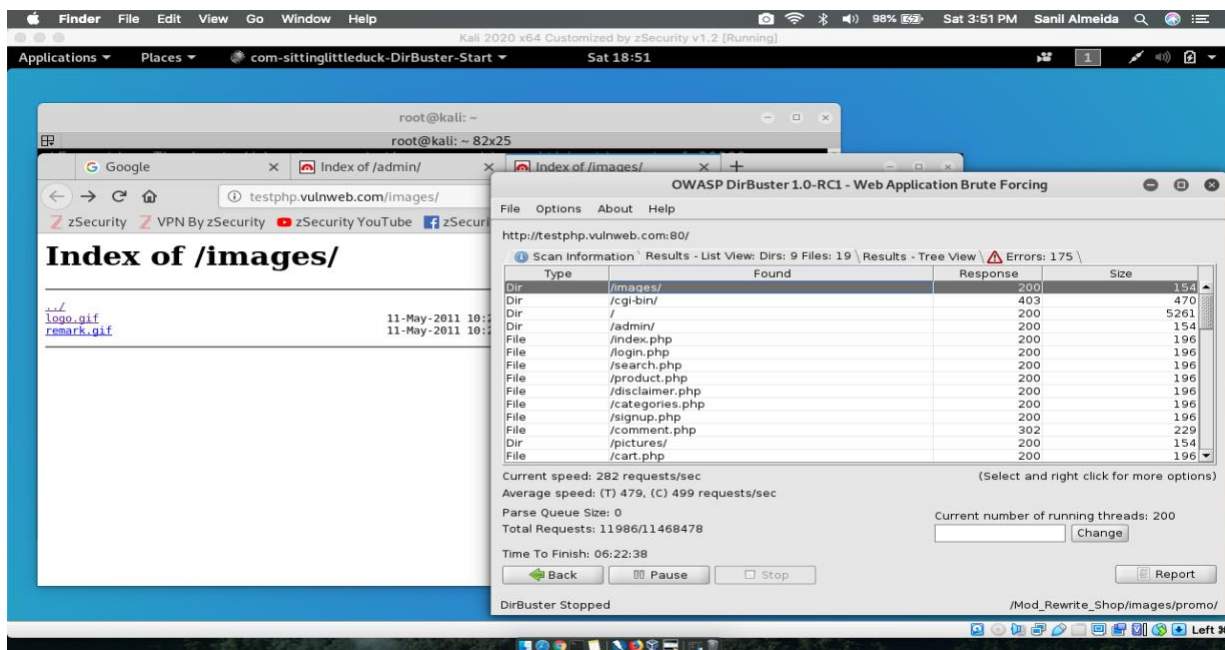
1. Attack 1

Database access through admin panel.



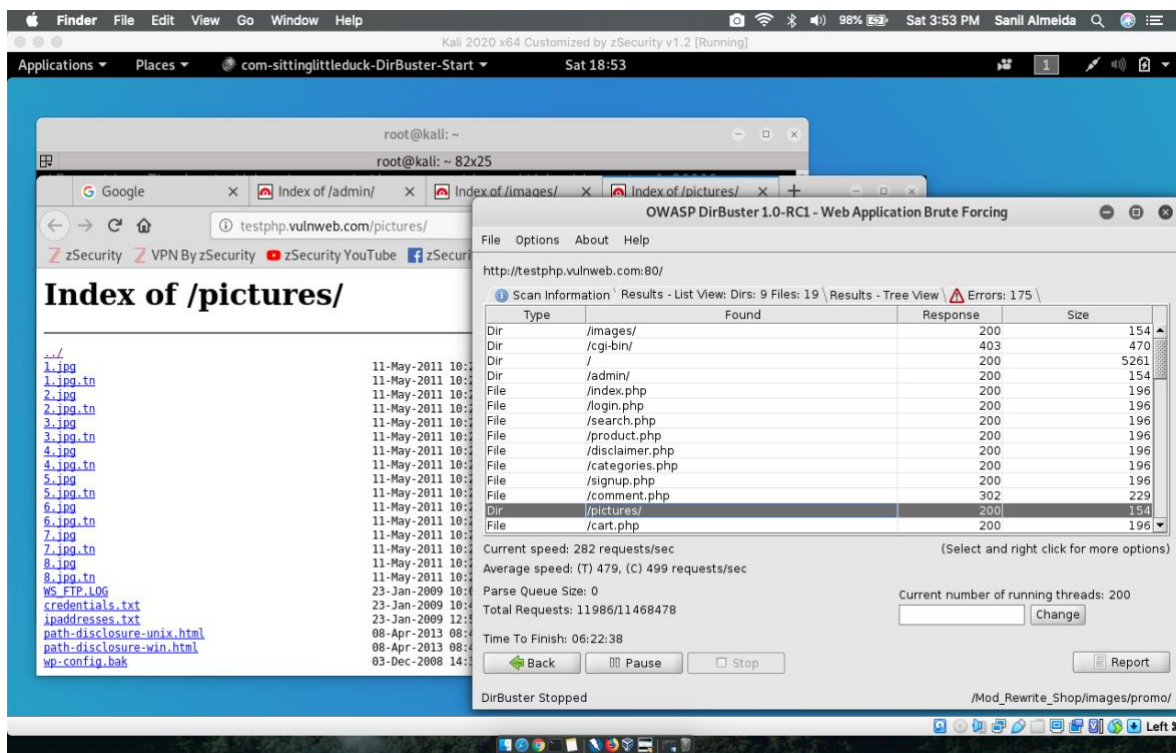
2. Attack 2

Path traversal through images.



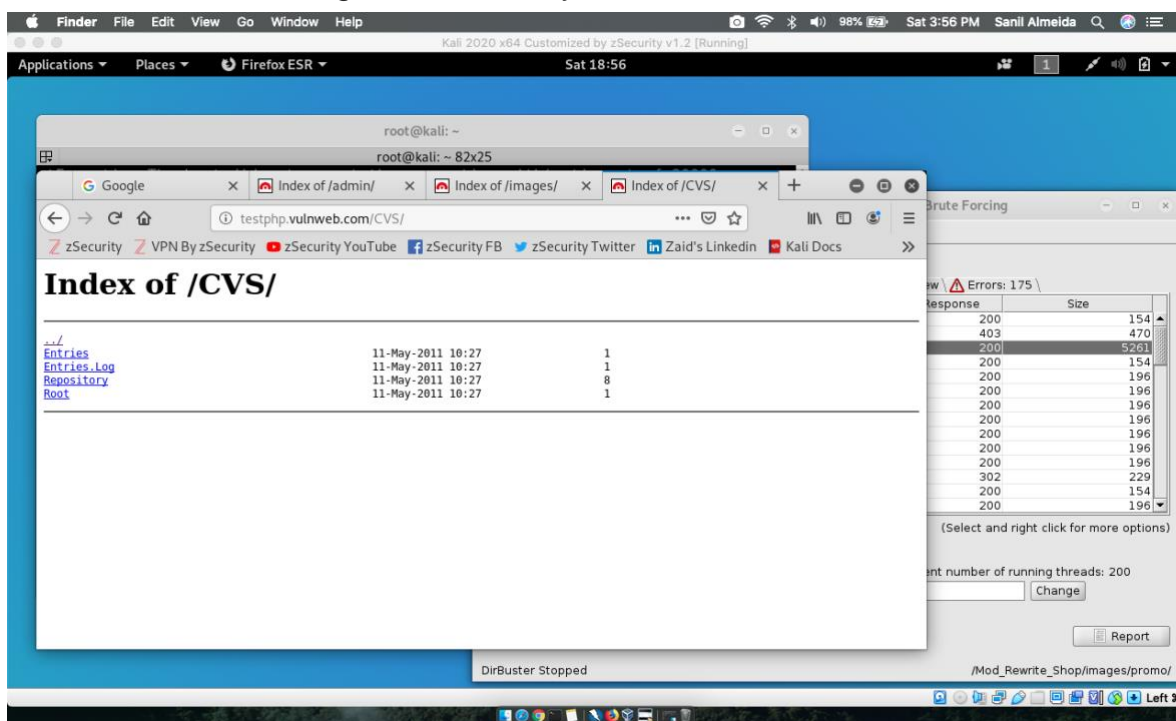
3. Attack 3

Path traversal through pictures directory.



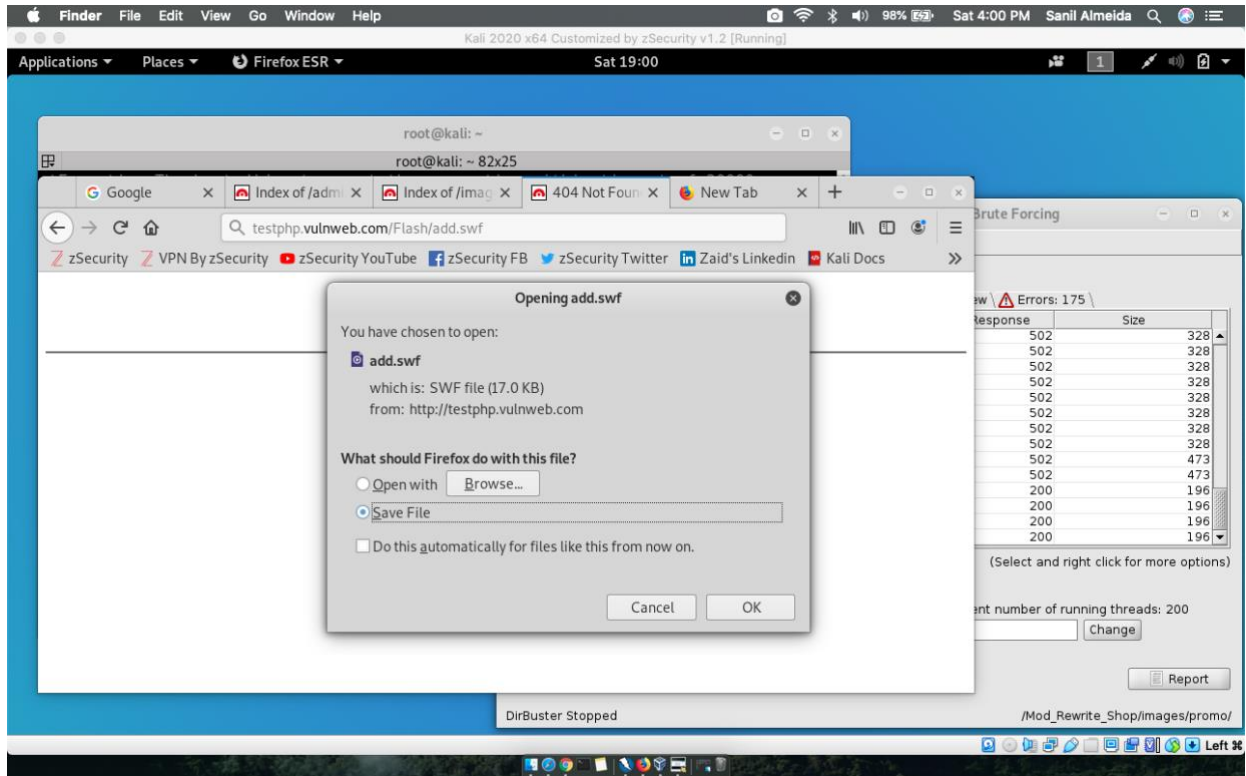
4. Attack 4

Path traversal through CVS directory.



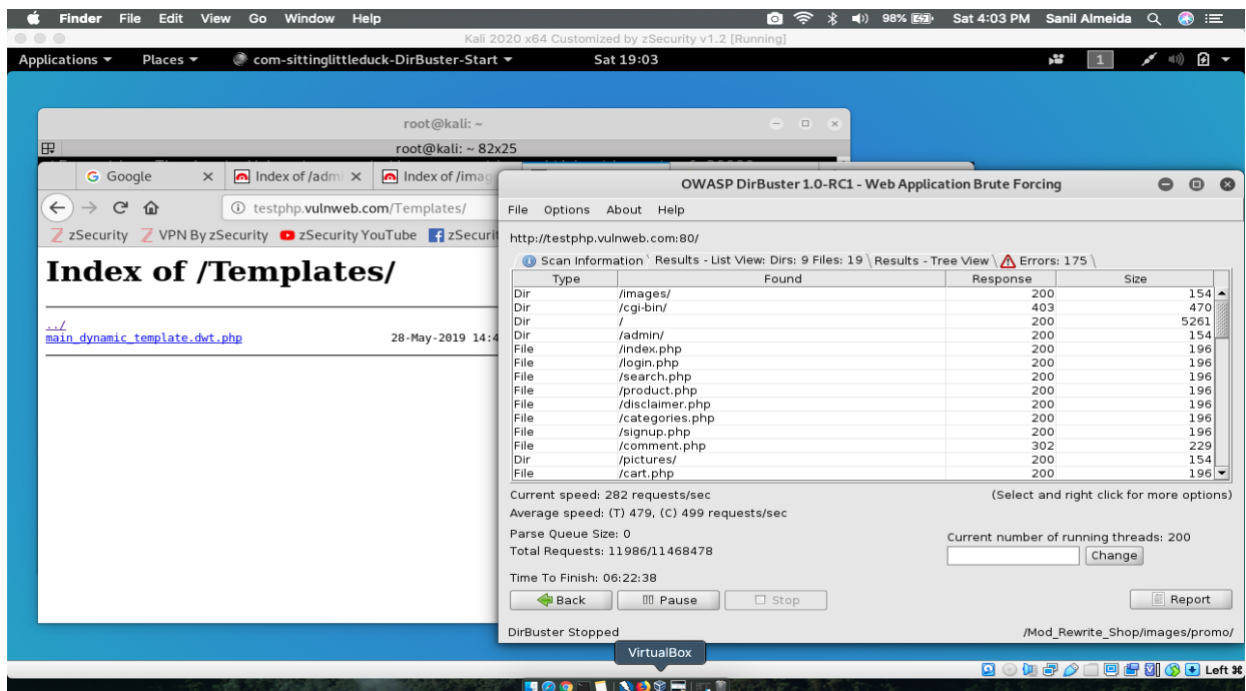
5. Attack 5

Critical file disclosure through Flash directory.



6. Attack 6

Path traversal through Templates directory.



4.5. Remote File Inclusion

What is Remote File Inclusion?

Remote File Include (RFI) is an attack technique used to exploit "dynamic file include" mechanisms in web applications. When web applications take user input (URL, parameter value, etc.) and pass them into file include commands, the web application might be tricked into including remote files with malicious code.

What is the impact of Remote File Inclusion?

An attacker can use RFI for:

- Running malicious code on the server: any code in the included malicious files will be run by the server. If the file include is not executed using some wrapper, code in include files is executed in the context of the server user. This could lead to a complete system compromise.
- Running malicious code on clients: the attacker's malicious code can manipulate the content of the response sent to the client. The attacker can embed malicious code in the response that will be run by the client (for example, JavaScript to steal the client session cookies).
- PHP is particularly vulnerable to RFI attacks due to the extensive use of "file includes" in PHP programming and due to default server configurations that increase susceptibility to an RFI attack.

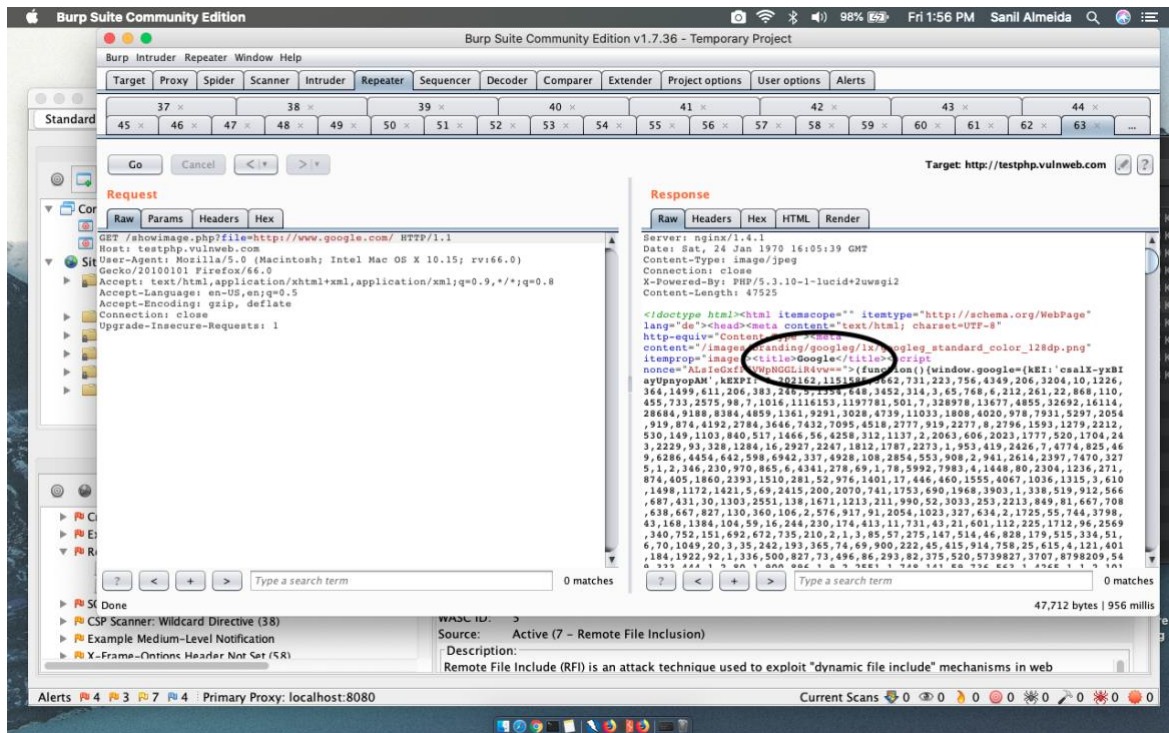
How to prevent it.

1. To prevent exploitation of the RFI vulnerability, ensure that you disable the remote inclusion feature in your programming languages' configuration, especially if you do not need it.
2. In PHP, you can set `allow_url_include` to '0'.
3. You should also validate user input before passing it to an Include function. Lack of validation of user input is the cause of many vulnerabilities, such as Cross-site Scripting (XSS), SQL Injection, Local File Inclusion (LFI vulnerability) and many others.
4. If you really have to enable remote file inclusions, then work with a whitelist of files that are allowed to be included on your web application.

List of vulnerable links to Remote File Inclusion attack.

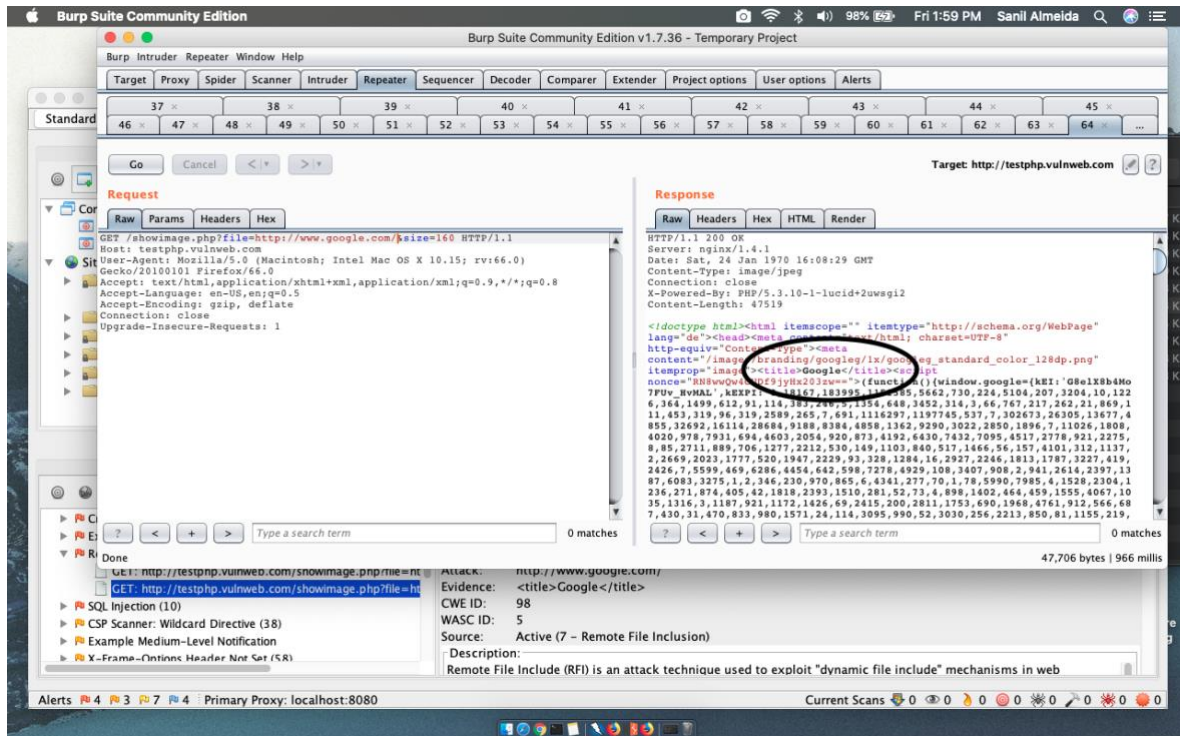
1. Attack 1

- Vulnerable URL: <http://testphp.vulnweb.com/showimage.php?file=>
- Risk: High
- Injection Parameter: file
- Attack: <http://www.google.com/>
- Proof of Concept:



2. Attack 2

- Vulnerable URL: <http://testphp.vulnweb.com/showimage.php?file=&size=160>
- Risk: High
- Injection Parameter: file
- Attack: <http://www.google.com/>
- Proof of Concept:



4.6. References & Useful Links

- **Reports** – Reports generated by OWASP ZAP, Nikto and Netsparker were used to generate this report. (Attached with this document)
- **Reconnaissance** – Tools including but not limited to Nikto, Nmap, WafW00f and Sublist3r were used for recon.
- **Links** –
 - i. <https://www.netsparker.com/blog/web-security/>
 - ii. <https://www.infocyte.com/blog/2019/02/16/>
 - iii. <https://www.whitehatsec.com/glossary/>
 - iv. <https://www.acunetix.com/blog/articles/>
 - v. <https://www.esecurityplanet.com/threats>
 - vi. <https://portswigger.net/web-security>