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# A stored cross-site scripting (XSS) vulnerability exists in LightCMS "contents" field #30

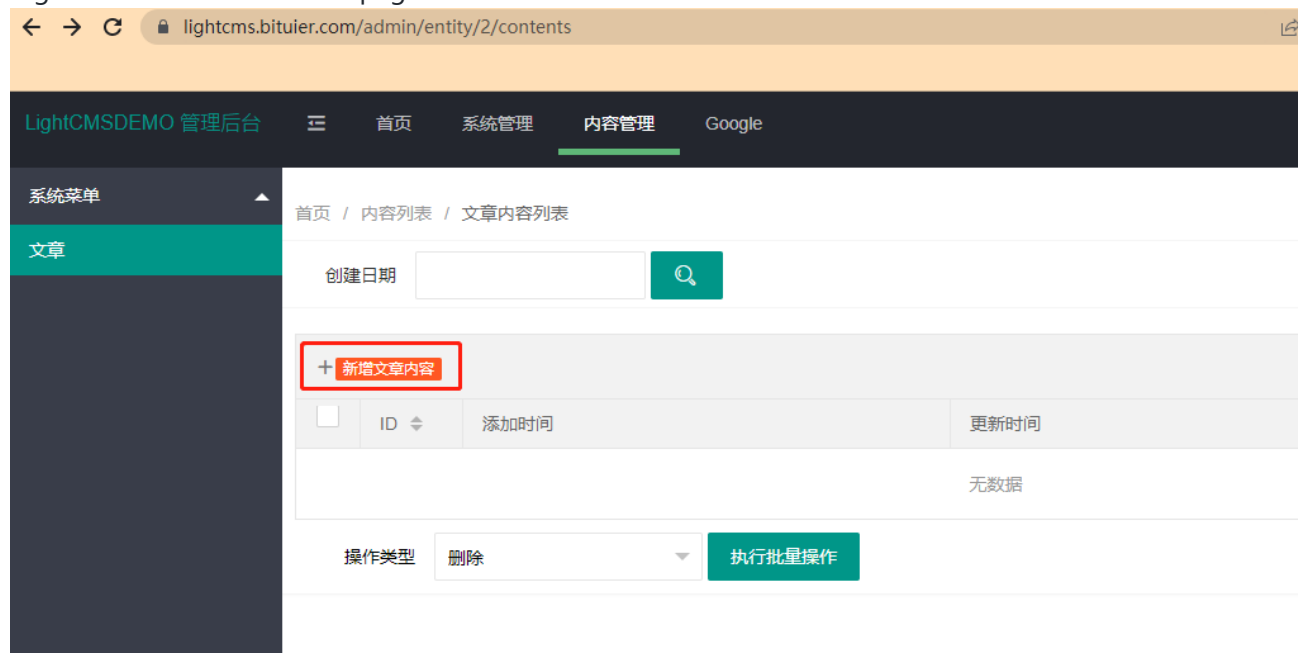
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SKdft opened this issue on Jun 6 · 2 comments

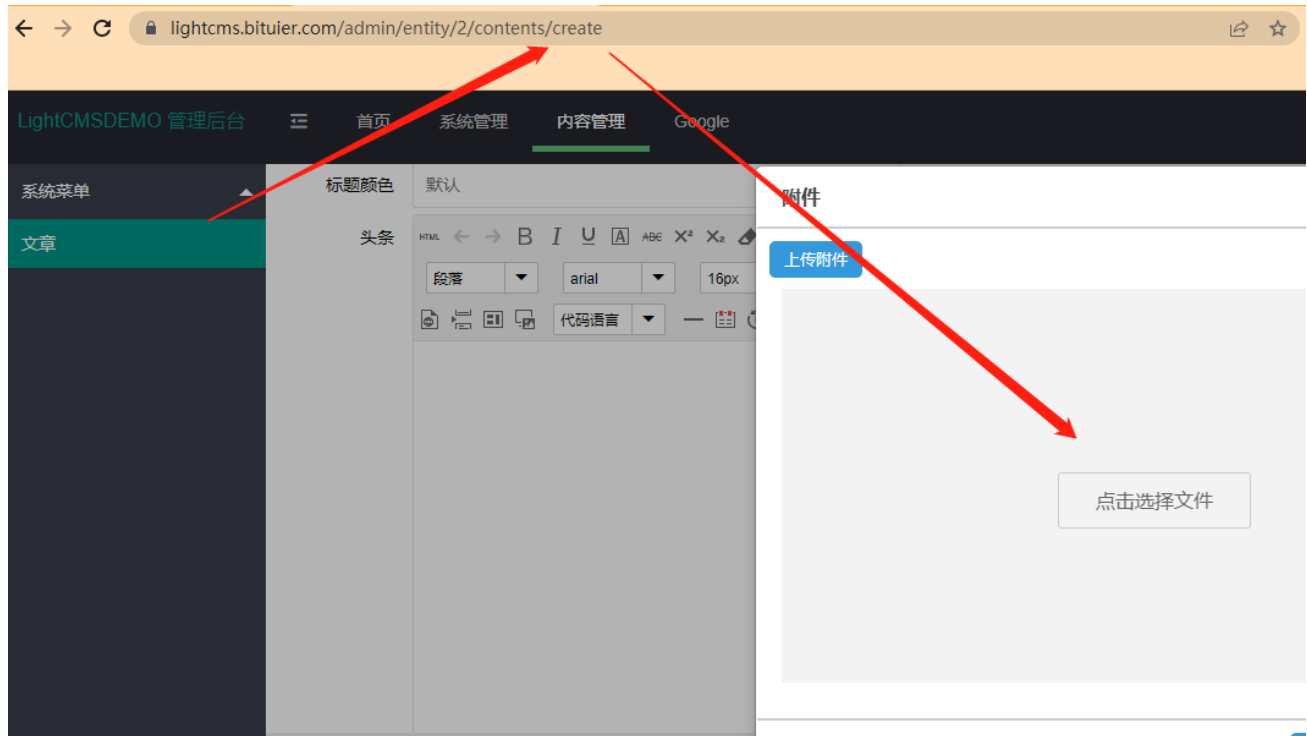
SKdft commented on Jun 6

A stored cross-site scripting (XSS) vulnerability exists in LightCMS that allows an user authorized to upload a malicious .pdf file which acts as a stored XSS payload. If this stored XSS payload is triggered by an administrator it will trigger a XSS attack.

1. login as admin in the article page



## 2. create a new article



## 3. upload the malicious pdf. the content of xss.pdf :

```
%PDF-1.4
%1111
1 0 obj
<<
/CreationDate (D:20210619104632+08'00')
/Creator (xss)
/Producer (PDF-XChange Core API SDK \ (7.0.324.2\))
>>
endobj
2 0 obj
<<
/Metadata 3 0 R
/Pages 4 0 R
/Type /Catalog
>>
endobj
3 0 obj
<<
/Length 2983
/Subtype /XML
/Type /Metadata
>>
stream
<?xpacket begin="" id="W5M0MpCehiHzreSzNTczkc9d"?>
<x:xmpmeta xmlns:x="adobe:ns:meta/" x:xmptk="XMP Core 5.5.0">
  <rdf:RDF xmlns:rdf="http://www.w3.org/1999/02/22-rdf-syntax-ns#">
    <rdf:Description rdf:about=""
      xmlns:dc="http://purl.org/dc/elements/1.1/"
      xmlns:xmpMM="http://ns.adobe.com/xap/1.0/mm/"
      xmlns:xmp="http://ns.adobe.com/xap/1.0/"
```

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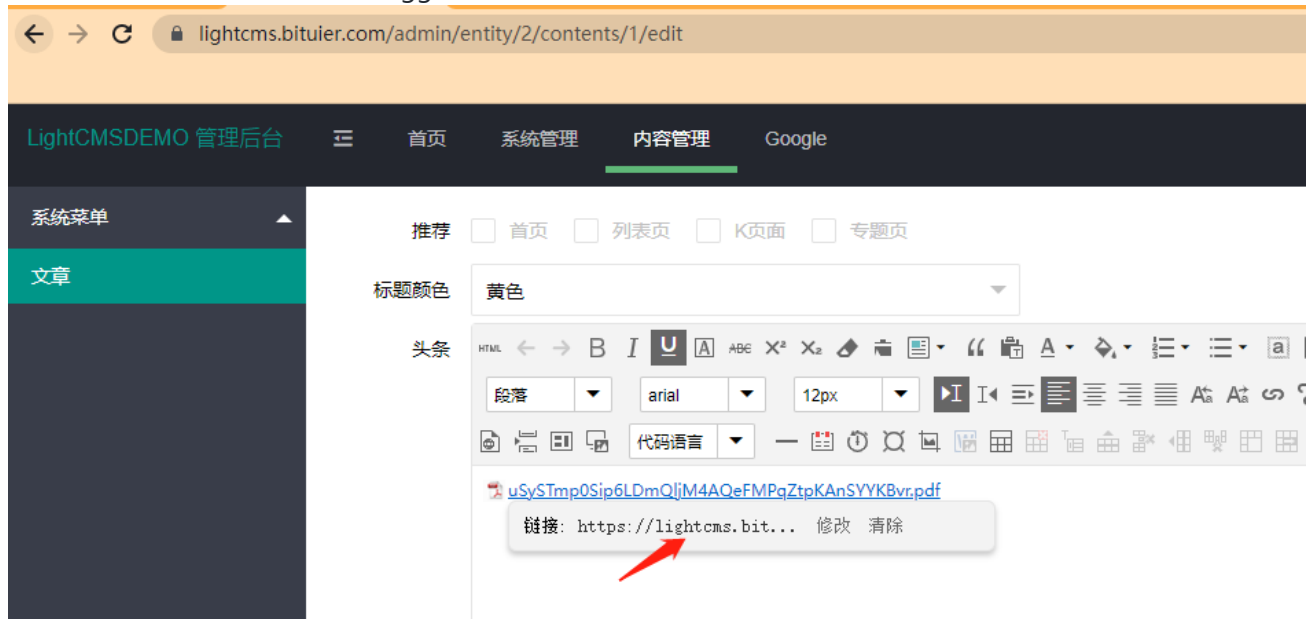
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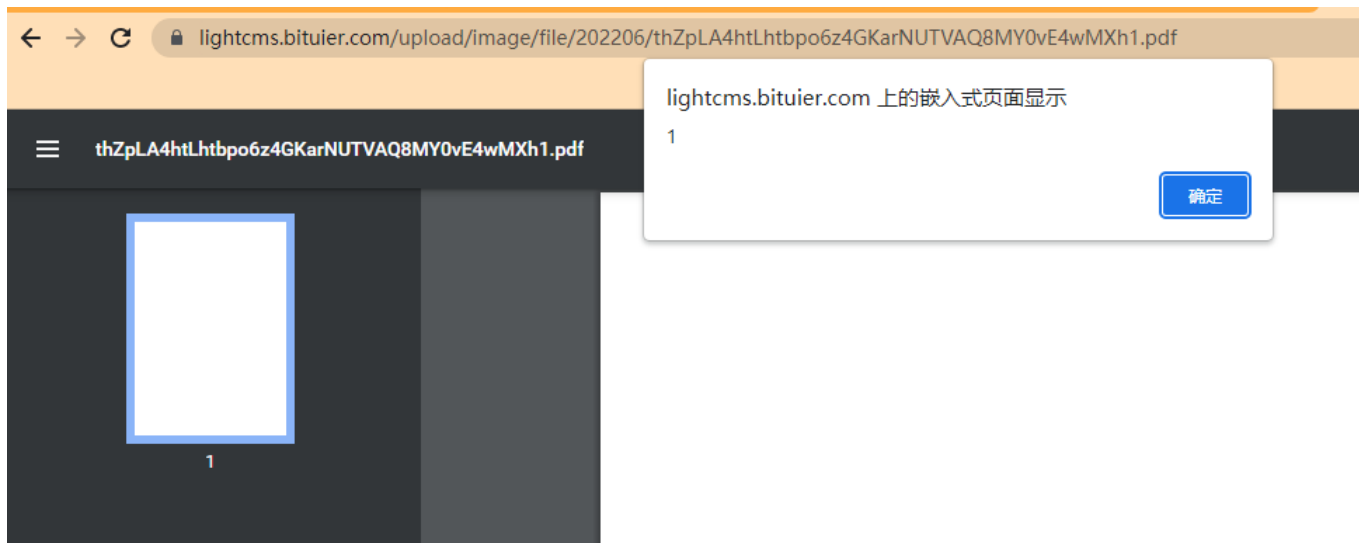
```

4. back to content then wo edit this upload:



5. when user click the link it will trigger a XSS attack





eddy8 commented on Jun 8

Owner

No better solution have been found except to prohibit users from uploading PDF files, can you give some help to me, thanks.

Adding the "Content-Disposition: Attachment" and "X-Content-Type-Options: nosniff" headers to the response of static files

[https://owasp.org/www-community/vulnerabilities/Unrestricted\\_File\\_Upload](https://owasp.org/www-community/vulnerabilities/Unrestricted_File_Upload)

SKdft commented on Jun 8

Author

reference, we recommend the following:

1. nginx configure the reverse proxy which can add a header to the specified url.

```
location /{
    if ($request_filename ~* ^.*?.(txt|doc|pdf|rar|gz|zip|docx|exe|xlsx|ppt|pptx)$){
        add_header Content-Disposition attachment;
    }
}
```

2. if it is possible, refer to

[https://owasp.org/www-community/vulnerabilities/Unrestricted\\_File\\_Upload](https://owasp.org/www-community/vulnerabilities/Unrestricted_File_Upload) --- It is recommended that this practice be performed for all of the files that users need to download in all the modules that deal with a file download.currently we do this.

3.nginx detects the uploaded pdf and find the xss features such as 'app.alert(...)'.  
Hope can help you!




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 eddy8 added a commit that referenced this issue on Jul 7

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#### Assignees

No one assigned

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#### Labels

None yet

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#### Projects

None yet

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#### Milestone

No milestone

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#### Development

No branches or pull requests

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2 participants

