

Issues



At the time these issues were logged there were no abnormal interferences or anomalous server behavior.

These issues are considered trusted and accurate.



Cross-Site Scripting (XSS) 1 xss



Cross Site Scripting (XSS) allows clients to inject scripts into a request and have the server return the script to the client in the response. This occurs because the application is taking untrusted data (in this example, from the client) and reusing it without performing any validation or sanitisation.

If the injected script is returned immediately this is known as reflected XSS. If the injected script is stored by the server and returned to any client visiting the affected page, then this is known as persistent XSS (also stored XSS).

Arachni has discovered that it is possible to insert script content directly into HTML element content.

Remediation guidance

To remedy XSS vulnerabilities, it is important to never use untrusted or unfiltered data within the code of a HTML page.

Untrusted data can originate not only form the client but potentially a third party or previously uploaded file etc.

Filtering of untrusted data typically involves converting special characters to their HTML entity encoded counterparts (however, other methods do exist, see references).

These special characters include:

- . .
- <
- >
- "
- /

An example of HTML entity encoding is converting < to < .

Although it is possible to filter untrusted input, there are five locations within an HTML page where untrusted input (even if it has been filtered) should never be placed:

- 1. Directly in a script.
- 2. Inside an HTML comment.
- 3. In an attribute name.
- 4. In a tag name.
- 5. Directly in CSS.

Each of these locations have their own form of escaping and filtering.

Because many browsers attempt to implement XSS protection, any manual verification of this finding should be conducted using multiple different browsers and browser versions.

References

CWE-79

Secunia WASC OWASP

Plugin results

Health map

Generates a simple list of safe/unsafe URLs.

Total Without issues

With issues

Issue percentage

- 8 http://testhtml5.vulnweb.com/logout
- 7 http://testhtml5.vulnweb.com/
- 1 http://testhtml5.vulnweb.com/#/popular
- 13 http://testhtml5.vulnweb.com/.fluid-container

http://testhtml5.vulnweb.com/.well

http://testhtml5.vulnweb.com/forgotpw

http://testhtml5.vulnweb.com/login

http://testhtml5.vulnweb.com/span

HTTP status code	URL
200	http://testhtml5.vulnweb.com/
200	http://testhtml5.vulnweb.com/#/popular
404	http://testhtml5.vulnweb.com/.fluid-container
404	http://testhtml5.vulnweb.com/.well
200	http://testhtml5.vulnweb.com/forgotpw
200	http://testhtml5.vulnweb.com/login
302	http://testhtml5.vulnweb.com/logout
404	http://testhtml5.vulnweb.com/span