

# Browser Security Problem Set

## Description

The goal of this problem set is to perform a client-side code injection against a vulnerable web application, and modify the application to defend against the class of vulnerabilities.

To complete the problem set, you will need to ssh to your container at `$user@amplifier.ccs.neu.edu:$port`, where `$user` is your gitlab username and `$port` is your assigned ssh port (<https://seclab-devel.ccs.neu.edu/snippets/6>). Authentication is performed using any of your uploaded ssh public keys in gitlab.

You will also need to clone the problem set repository located at `git@seclab-devel.ccs.neu.edu:softvulnsec/prset05.git`.

Important Information	
Available	Wed 01 Apr 10:00 EST
Submission Deadline	Tue 07 Apr 18:00 EST
Gitlab URL	<a href="https://seclab-devel.ccs.neu.edu/softvulnsec/prset05.git">https://seclab-devel.ccs.neu.edu/softvulnsec/prset05.git</a> ( <a href="https://seclab-devel.ccs.neu.edu/softvulnsec/prset05.git">https://seclab-devel.ccs.neu.edu/softvulnsec/prset05.git</a> )

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## Vulnerability Identification

The web application you have cloned makes use of a third-party advertisement network to monetize the site's content.

Examine the source code to the web application to identify a client-side injection vulnerability.

## Exploit the Vulnerability

Assume that you are a malicious ad network, or have compromised the ad network. Develop an exploit for the vulnerability that you've identified. As a proof-of-concept, you should leak the value `document.secret` to a server that you control.

## Patch the Vulnerability

Using the knowledge of how you exploited the vulnerability, develop a patch. In particular, your patch should consider both the issue of avoiding untrusted code execution and origin endpoint restrictions.

## Harden the Application

In addition to patching the specific vulnerability you've found, you can also harden the application against other possible vulnerabilities. Do this by developing a CSP ruleset that is *as tight as possible*. Points will be deducted for overly-permissive rulesets. In particular, you should not use `unsafe-inline` or `unsafe-eval`.

Modify the application to indicate that the browser should enforce your ruleset.

## Answer Submission

Fork the repository for this problem set in gitlab. On the master branch, commit both your patch for the vulnerability as well as your modifications to enforce a strong CSP ruleset.

In addition, commit your proof-of-concept exploit to `exploit/`. Finally, commit a `README.md` that describes your solution *as precisely as possible*.