

Assignment 3

XSS and Fix on xxs_2.py

- Start running the python file on terminal using command: 'python3 xxs_2.py'
- Start postman to test for input validity and ensure a well formed html at each instances.
- On the browsers instead of 'name', I inserted "><button onClick='alert('You have a virus!!!');>Click me</button><a href=''" in order to achieve a button that when clicked, gives and alert.

Fix

- inserted 'from html import escape' and 'format(escape(name))' to avoid XSS attack on the page.

The screenshots for this exercise are below:

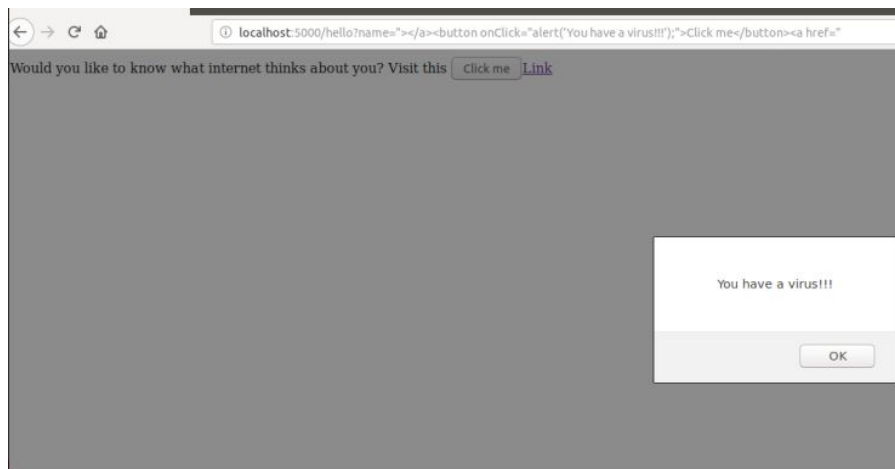


Fig1. Attacked site

```
<html>
<head>
  <title>Internet knows</title>
</head>
<body>
  Would you like to know what internet thinks about you? Visit this
  <a href="https://www.bing.com/search?q="></a>
  <button onClick="alert('You have a virus');">Click me</button>
  <a href="" attribute="aaa">Link</a>
</body>
</html>
```

Fig 2. Well formed html after inserting XSS script

```
<html>
<head>
  <title>Internet knows</title>
</head>
<body>
  Would you like to know what internet thinks about you? Visit this
  <a href="https://www.bing.com/search?q=&quot;&gt;&lt;&lt;/a&gt;&lt;button onClick=&quot;alert(&#x27;You have a virus&#x27;)&gt;&lt;Click me&lt;/button&gt;&lt;&lt;a href=&quot;&gt;Link</a>
</body>
</html>
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Fig3. Fixed site showing characters instead of well formed html