

# XMAS Challenge 2021

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Active Users

DJ5yZ
9Sck1

Connected successfully to server.

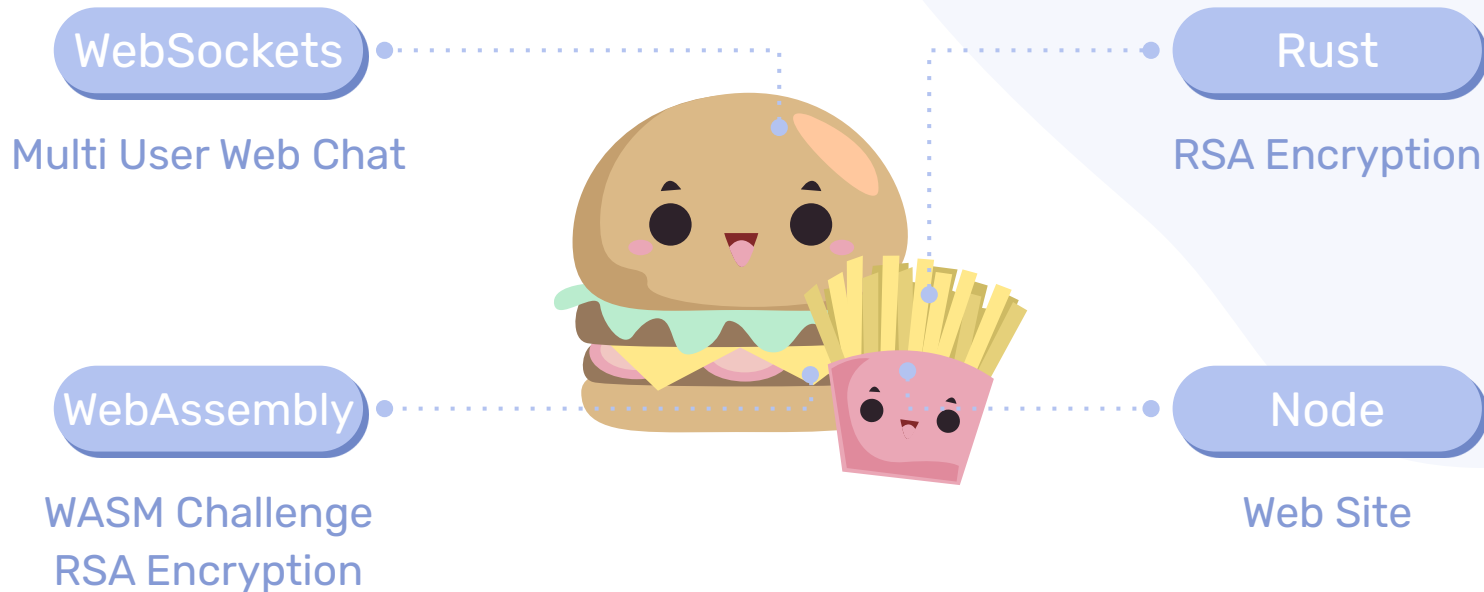
Welcome 9Sck1! Your public key:  
2hn4ejpfdfs8dsm37026qmdg1uveanpjms422rcmvbfs7h5pk3uu8b1m1h09tlcdg3jqkmoe19e6dualnr9pkecc2vs16  
4n2cir2sj

Message: [type message to encrypt]

Recipient: [click a user public key]

Send

# ❖ Infographics may be useful





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## Basic Features

# ❖ Broadcast Messages



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Active Users

<u>santa</u>
<u>user1</u>
<u>user2</u>

Connected successfully to server.

Welcome kayVY! Your public key:  
1i225mumu8d8lj7q2b1mpac5l0ea97ekgpphot5b870kjvdr5m1shcihntfcgin4iqa2jt6sceihqidlubm7vn5r8g2lmn55g32l

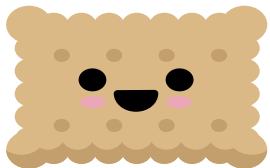
From user2: message 1

message 2

Recipient: [click a user public key]

Send

# Private Messages Through Encryption



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evil

user2

[kjin91](#)

Welcome YpF0B! Your public key:  
1q29snecaeh37o93s4btmg1pshqqfvojjks1fo087i3oknbp9l5brv4khs6fu0s12ssvefhc7v7brqrvarv8h4qpt51neic3t58l

From user1 to user2: This is an encrypted message

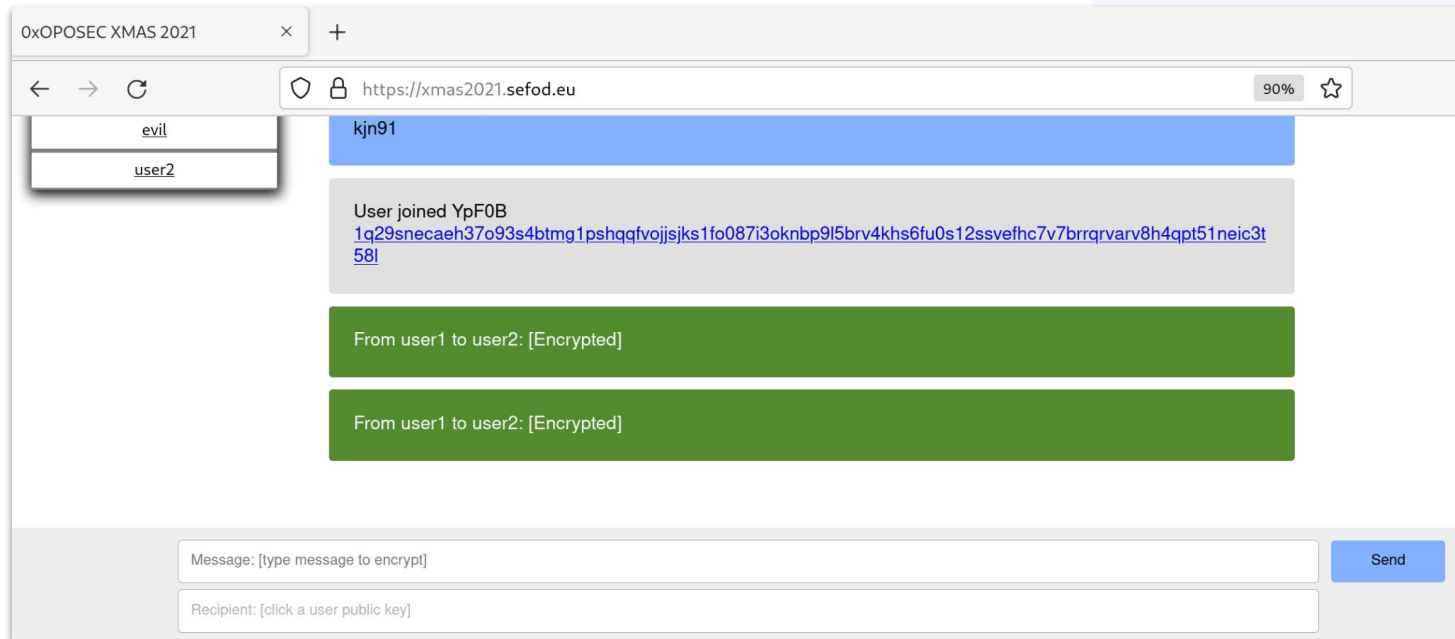
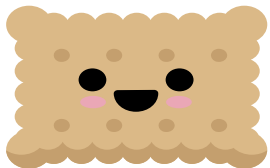
From user1 to user2: Can you keep my scret password?

Message: [type message to encrypt]

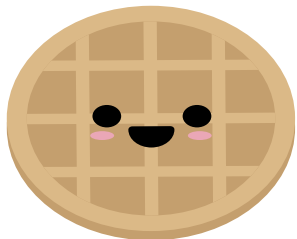
Recipient: [click a user public key]

Send

# Private Messages Through Encryption



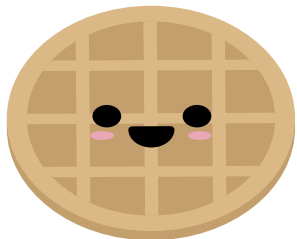
# ❖ Change Nick Command



```
Chat.js X
376     }, {
377         key: 'parseCommand',
378         value: function parseCommand(message) {
379             if (message.startsWith('/')) {
380                 var espacioIndex = message.indexOf(' ');
381                 var commandStr = message.substring(1, espacioIndex);
382                 switch (commandStr) {
383                     case 'nick':
384                         this.nickname = this.state.message.substring(espacioIndex + 1);
385                         var nickSigned = this.state.keypair.sign(this.nickname).slice(1);
386                         var pubKey = this.state.keypair.public_key_display_wasm().trim();
387                         //TODO: remove from here to server const verified = this.state.
388                         this.state.socket.emit('NICK', this.nickname, nickSigned, pubKey);
389                         break;
```



# ❖ Change Nick Command



Active Users
1337h4x0r
evil
user2
santa

Connected successfully to server.

Welcome gX7Jc! Your public key:  
1ndfh2loutmdpm83gfa37n2vesm3dbjnd5att9u2ncgf03vi39mu11hq5oiesufm3kkk9ls2ava8la5d89qonq1h402a5o9ucscdvr

User joined zuzwa  
[27qucm1225iulq6hneridmfk5jbruq41vc8r3je21qo91ljnbgg0qhefb6424m005od3uvgpakci0nt4tah9kj0vhc7bnuq7rkkin91](#)

User joined YpF0B  
[1q29snecaeh37o93s4btmg1pshqqfvojsjks1fo087i3oknbp9l5brv4khs6fu0s12ssvefhc7v7brrqrvarv8h4qpt51neic3t58l](#)

Send

## ❖ Bot Named Santa



Active Users
<u>1337h4x0r</u>
<u>evil</u>
<u>user2</u>
<u>santa</u>

# 3 Flags

Reverse The Chat and Discover the  
Flags



# ❖ Flags



WebSocket Flag



Santa JavaScript Flag



Santa Wasm Flag

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# Reversing WebSite

JavaScript Is Not  
Obfuscated

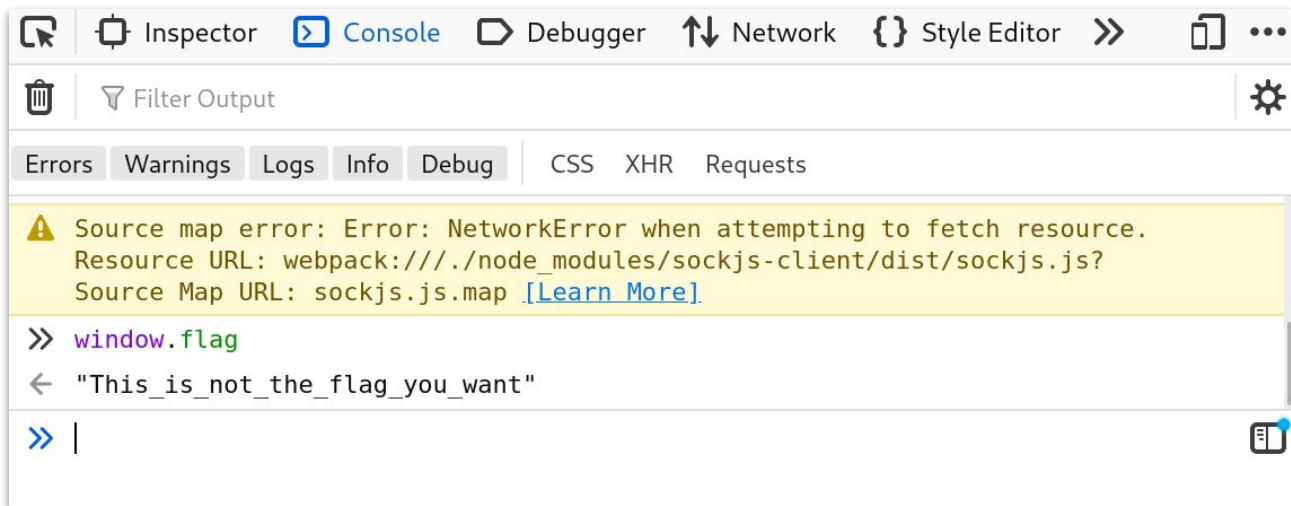


## ❖ /Flag Command

```
else if (toUser == self_nick) {  
    //message is encrypted and is for us  
    var plaintext = data.split(":\n")[1].slice(1).trim();  
    try {  
        var decrypted = obj.state.keypair.decrypt(plaintext);  
        console.log(plaintext);  
        //check if receiving flag command  
        var dec_lc = decrypted.toLowerCase();  
        var flag_cmd = "/flag";  
        var wasm_cmd = "/wasm";  
        if (dec_lc.startsWith(flag_cmd)) {  
            var msg = obj.state.crypto.encrypt(window.flag, pubkey);  
            socket.emit("MESSAGE", '[' + pubkey + ']:\n' + msg, thispubkey);  
            console.log(window.flag);  
            return;  
        }  
    }  
}
```



# ❖ /Flag Command



# ❖ /Flag Command

From santa to YTcTi: flag(This\_Flag\_Is\_Easier\_Than\_Rabanadas)

**/FLAG**

2bcn5vv4e9j9pssuij8eitert6sqs0p9aag04v92csbvhaev6dgb0rdg7va0id2chr1jkhuhn6jsdhtbv30rbfcu3pspnbcpl7ai7

Send

Encrypt

Santa PubKey





# ❖ Flags



WebSocket Flag



Santa JavaScript Flag

`flag(This_Flag_Is_Easier_Than_Rabanadas)`



Santa Wasm Flag

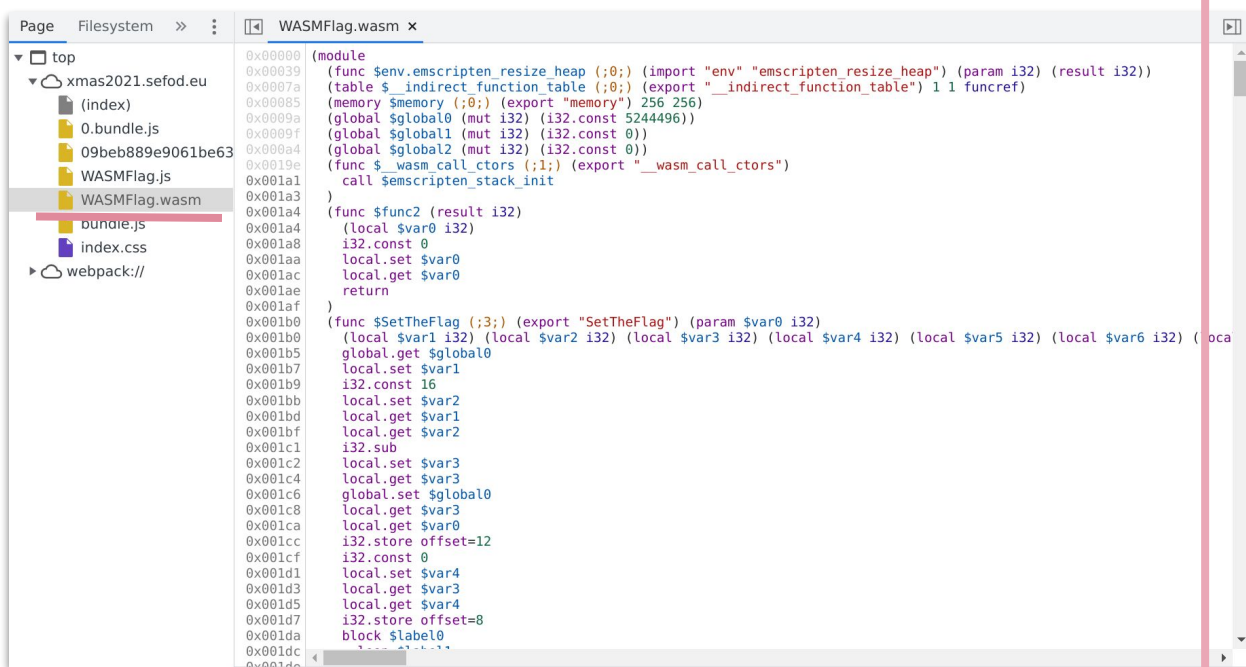
# ❖ /Wasm Command

```
// else if (msg.datakey === obj.state.keypair.public_key_decrypted_mem()) { // message is encrypted
else if (toUser == self_nick) {
  //message is encrypted and is for us
  var plaintext = data.split("\n")[1].slice(1).trim();
  try {
    var decrypted = obj.state.keypair.decrypt(plaintext);
    console.log(plaintext);
    //check if receiving flag command
    var dec_lc = decrypted.toLowerCase();
    var flag_cmd = "/flag";
    var wasm_cmd = "/wasm";
```

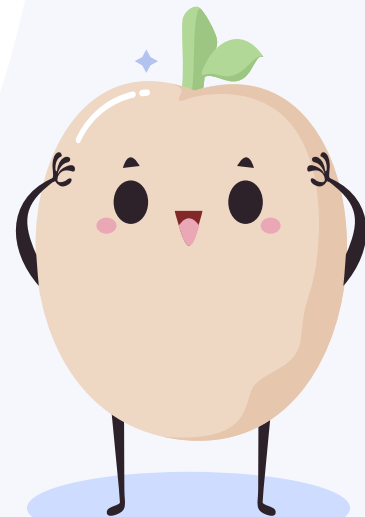
```
} else if (dec_lc.startsWith(wasm_cmd)) {
  var espacioIndex = decrypted.indexOf(' ');
  var payload = decrypted.substring(espacioIndex + 1, decrypted.length);
  var result = Module.ccall('GetTheFlag', // name of C function
    'string', // return type
    ['string'], // argument types
    [payload] // arguments
  );
  var msg = obj.state.crypto.encrypt(result, pubkey);
  socket.emit("MESSAGE", '[' + pubkey + ']:\n' + msg, thispubkey);
  console.log(result);
  return;
}
```



# ❖ /Wasm Command



```
(module
  (func $env.emscripten_resize_heap (;0;) (import "env" "emscripten_resize_heap") (param i32) (result i32))
  (table $__indirect_function_table (;0;) (export "__indirect_function_table") 1 1 funcref)
  (memory $memory (;0;) (export "memory") 256 256)
  (global $global0 (mut i32) (i32.const 5244496))
  (global $global1 (mut i32) (i32.const 0))
  (global $global2 (mut i32) (i32.const 0))
  (func $__wasm_call_ctors (;1;) (export "__wasm_call_ctors")
    call $__emscripten_stack_init
  )
  (func $func2 (result i32)
    (local $var0 i32)
    i32.const 0
    local.set $var0
    local.get $var0
    return
  )
  (func $SetTheFlag (;3;) (export "SetTheFlag") (param $var0 i32)
    (local $var1 i32) (local $var2 i32) (local $var3 i32) (local $var4 i32) (local $var5 i32) (local $var6 i32) (local $var7 i32)
    global.get $global0
    local.set $var1
    i32.const 16
    local.set $var2
    local.set $var2
    local.get $var1
    local.get $var2
    i32.sub
    local.set $var3
    local.get $var3
    global.set $global0
    local.get $var3
    local.get $var0
    i32.store offset=12
    i32.const 0
    local.set $var4
    local.get $var3
    local.get $var4
    i32.store offset=8
    block $label0
      ...
    end
  )
)
```



# ❖ /Wasm Command

```
1 <!DOCTYPE html>
2 <html>
3   <head>
4     <title>0x0P0SEC XMAS 2021</title>
5     <link rel="stylesheet" href="index.css">
6   </head>
7   <body>
8     <script type="text/javascript" src="WASMFlag.js"></script>
9     <!-- check ./WASMFlag.c -->
10    <div id="app"></div>
11    <script src="/bundle.js"></script>
12  </body>
13 </html>
14
```



# ❖ /Wasm Command

```
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#include <stdlib.h>
#include <emscripten/emscripten.h>

char* flagzadas= "get the real flag from the bot";
char* password = "Santa<3WASM\0";
int main() {
    //printf("Hello World\n");
}

#ifdef __cplusplus
extern "C" {
#endif

EMSCRIPTEN_KEEPALIVE void SetTheFlag(char* arg1) {

    int i=0;
    while (arg1[i]!='\0'){
        i++;
    }

    flagzadas = (char *) malloc(i+1);

    i=0;

    while (arg1[i]!='\0'){
        flagzadas[i]=arg1[i];
        i++;
    }
}
```

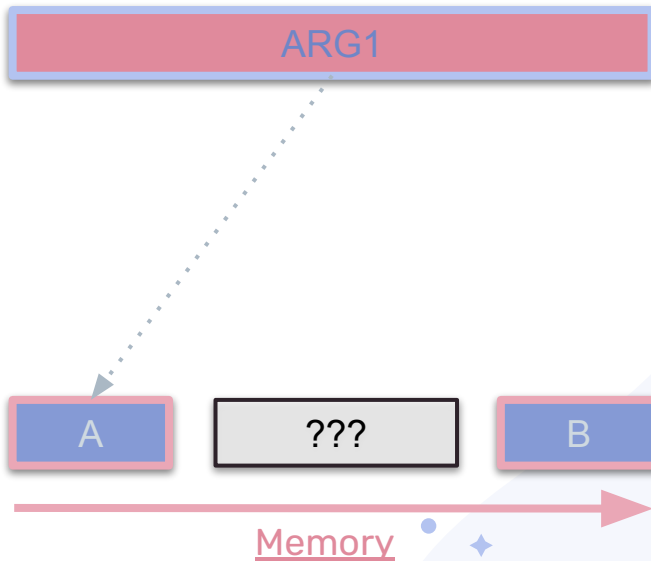


# ❖ /Wasm Command

```
EMSCRIPTEN_KEEPALIVE char* GetTheFlag(char* arg1) {  
    char*a;  
    char*b;  
    a = (char *) malloc(4);  
    b = (char *) malloc(4);
```

```
    int i=0;  
    //copy from arg1 to a  
    while (arg1[i]!='\0'){  
        a[i]=arg1[i];  
        i++;  
    }  
}
```

```
    i=0;//reset i  
    int suc=0; //default value false  
    //compare if password == b  
    while(password[i]!='\0' ){  
        if (b[i]!=password[i]){suc=0;break;}  
        else{suc=1;}  
        i++;  
    }  
  
    if (suc){ //if password == b you win  
        return flagzadas;  
    }  
}
```



# ❖ /Wasm Command

```
EMSCRIPTEN_KEEPALIVE char* GetTheFlag(char* arg1) {  
    char*a;  
    char*b;
```

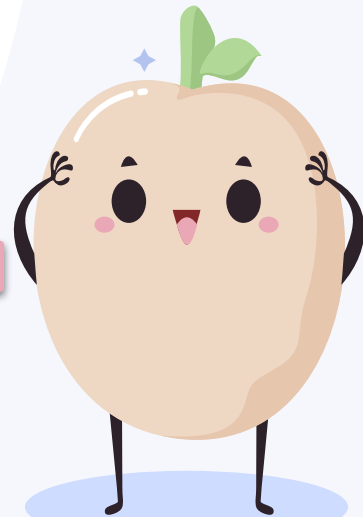
```
char* flagzadas= "get the real flag from the bot";  
char* password = "Santa<3WASM\0";
```

```
//copy from arg1 to a  
while (arg1[i]!='\0'){  
    a[i]=arg1[i];  
    i++;  
}
```

```
i=0;//reset i  
int suc=0; //default value false  
//compare if password == b  
while(password[i]!='\0' ){  
    if (b[i]!=password[i]){suc=0;break;}  
    else{suc=1;}  
    i++;  
}
```

```
if (suc){ //if password == b you win  
    return flagzadas;  
}
```

B == Santa<3WASM

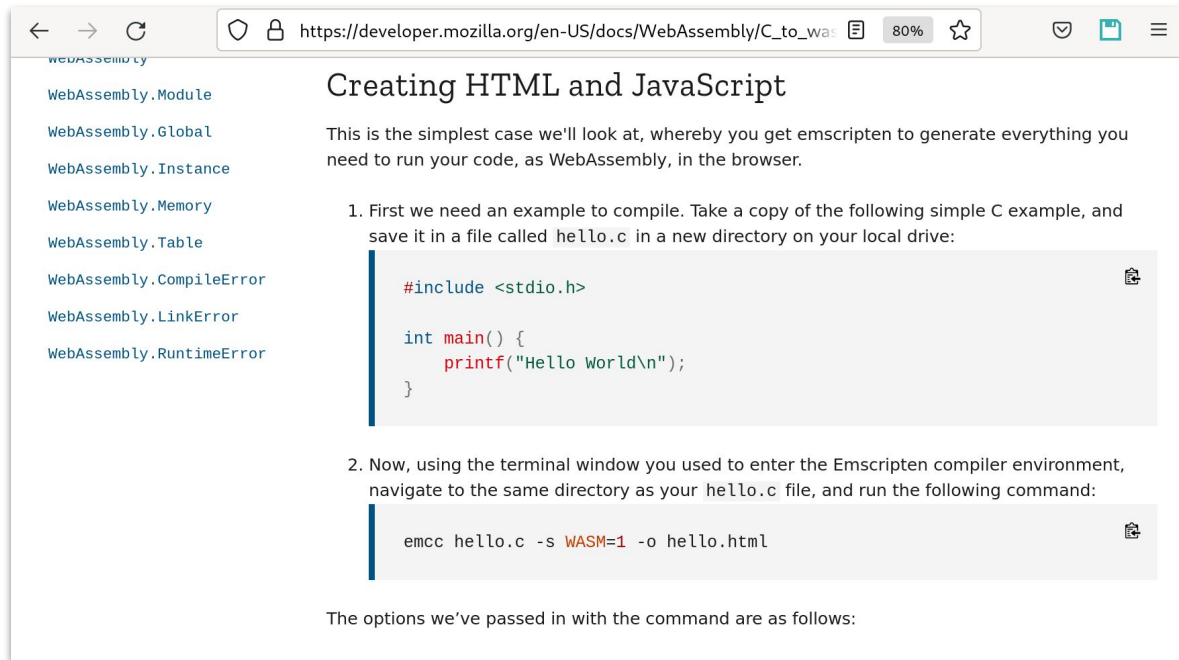




**Testing Wasm Offline**



# ❖ Testing Wasm



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WebAssembly

- WebAssembly.Module
- WebAssembly.Global
- WebAssembly.Instance
- WebAssembly.Memory
- WebAssembly.Table
- WebAssembly.CompileError
- WebAssembly.LinkError
- WebAssembly.RuntimeError

## Creating HTML and JavaScript

This is the simplest case we'll look at, whereby you get emscripten to generate everything you need to run your code, as WebAssembly, in the browser.

1. First we need an example to compile. Take a copy of the following simple C example, and save it in a file called `hello.c` in a new directory on your local drive:

```
#include <stdio.h>

int main() {
    printf("Hello World\n");
}
```
2. Now, using the terminal window you used to enter the Emscripten compiler environment, navigate to the same directory as your `hello.c` file, and run the following command:

```
emcc hello.c -s WASM=1 -o hello.html
```

The options we've passed in with the command are as follows:



# ❖ Testing Wasm

```
user@oposec:~ — gn... × user@oposec:~/git/wa... × user@oposec:~/git/wa... ×
```

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <emscripten/emscripten.h>
char* GetTheFlag(char* arg1);
char* flagzadas= "get the real flag from the bot";
char* password = "Santa<3WASM\0";

int main() {
    GetTheFlag("0123456789ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ");
}

#ifdef __cplusplus
extern "C" {
#endif

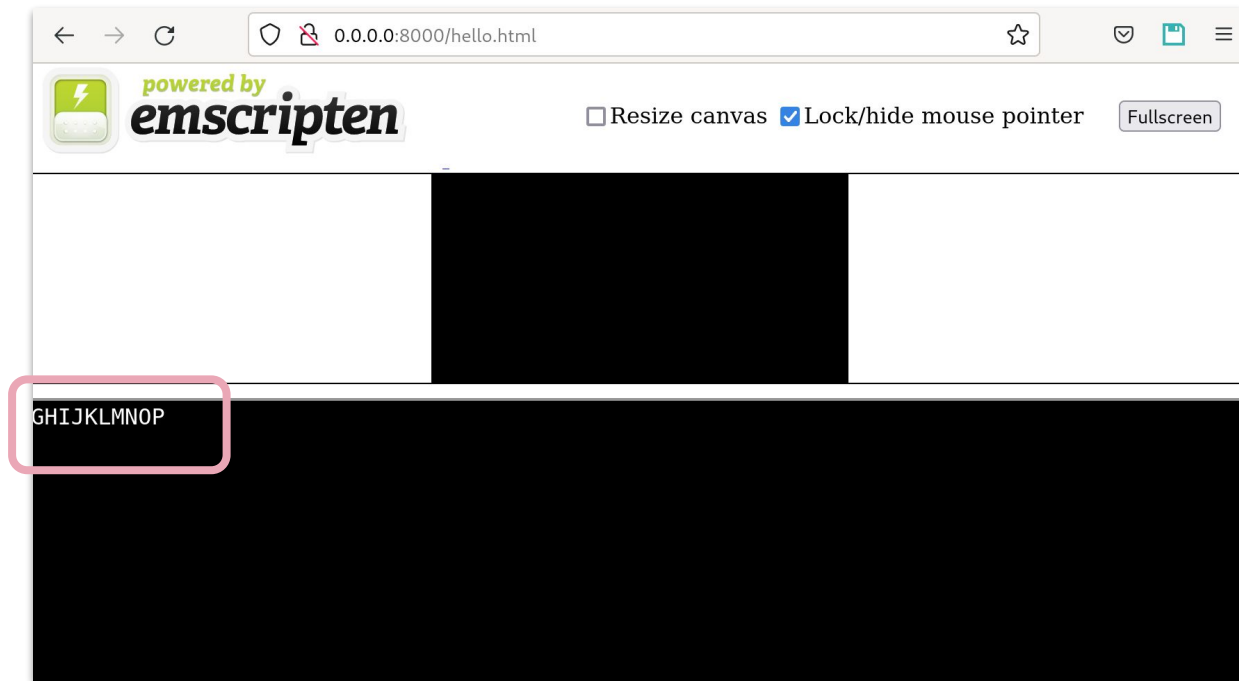
EMSCRIPTEN_KEEPALIVE char* GetTheFlag(char* arg1) {
    char*a;
    char*b;
    a = (char *) malloc(4);

}

printf("%s\n",b);
i=0; //reset i
```



# ❖ Testing Wasm



# ❖ Exploiting Wasm

Incorrect Payload

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From user2 to santa: [Encrypted]

From santa to user2: Try again

From user2 to santa: [Encrypted]

From santa to user2: flag{TheresNoXmasWithoutArrozDoce}

**/wasm 0123456789ABCDEFSanta<3WASM**

2jfb09qq15vm5b7j0rkpca9j2mc324o19821qs40ur03bpb1p1fk0d25h78l2471a3de86l4jtpk4gfk eb2ea3ggb8tvid81sihrv5

Send

Encrypt



# ❖ Flags



WebSocket Flag



Santa JavaScript Flag

`flag(This_Flag_Is_Easier_Than_Rabanadas)`



Santa Wasm Flag

`flag(TheresNoXmasWithoutArrozDoce)`

# ✧ Understanding WebSockets

```
// Create WebSocket connection.  
const socket = new WebSocket('ws://localhost:8080');  
  
// Listen for messages  
socket.addEventListener('message', function (event) {  
    console.log('Message from server ', event.data);  
});
```



# ❖ Exploring WebSockets

Burp Project Intruder Repeater Window Help

Dashboard Target Proxy Intruder Repeater Sequencer Decoder Comparer Logger Extender Project options User options Learn

Intercept HTTP history WebSockets history Options

Filter: Showing all items

#	URL	Direction	Edited	Length	Comment	TLS	Time	Listener port	WebSocket ID
4	http://xmas2021.sefod.eu/sockjs-node/58...	← To client		30			18:50:31 2 Fe...	8080	1
5	http://xmas2021.sefod.eu/sockjs-node/58...	← To client		58			18:50:31 2 Fe...	8080	1
6	http://xmas2021.sefod.eu/sockjs-node/58...	← To client		22			18:50:31 2 Fe...	8080	1
7	http://xmas2021.sefod.eu/socket.io/	→ To server		6			18:50:32 2 Fe...	8080	2
8	http://xmas2021.sefod.eu/socket.io/	← To client		6			18:50:32 2 Fe...	8080	2
9	http://xmas2021.sefod.eu/socket.io/	→ To server		1			18:50:32 2 Fe...	8080	2
10	http://xmas2021.sefod.eu/socket.io/	→ To server		141			18:50:39 2 Fe...	8080	2
11	http://xmas2021.sefod.eu/socket.io/	← To client		141			18:50:39 2 Fe...	8080	2

Message

Pretty Raw Hex [Icons]

1 42["MESSAGE","Hello Websockets!!!","32fa02048g19g94lnqttoenlbqdr1ptleiuapau2bn575us0rscgrf9j7108lbg6lev9b8kam61t5vvn0obd0eap0llmkhtdk8ot29"]

INSPEC...

0 matches



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6	http://xmas2021.sefod.eu/sockjs-node/58...	← To client		22			18:50:31 2 Fe...	8080	1
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8	http://xmas2021.sefod.eu/socket.io/	← To client		6			18:50:32 2 Fe...	8080	2
9	http://xmas2021.sefod.eu/socket.io/	→ To server		1			18:50:32 2 Fe...	8080	2
10	http://xmas2021.sefod.eu/socket.io/	→ To server		141			18:50:39 2 Fe...	8080	2
11	http://xmas2021.sefod.eu/socket.io/	← To client		141			18:50:39 2 Fe...	8080	2

Message

Pretty Raw Hex [Icons]

1 42["MESSAGE","Hello Websockets!!!","32fa02048g19g941nqttoenlbqdr1ptleiuapau2bn575us0rscgrf9j7108lbg6lev9b8kam5...

[Icons] Search...

Send to Repeater Ctrl-R  
Send to Comparer  
Send to Repeater

0 matches





# ❖ Exploring WebSockets

Burp Project Intruder Repeater Window Help

Dashboard Target Proxy Intruder **Repeater** Sequencer Decoder Comparer Logger Extender Project options User options Learn

1 x 2 x ...

WebSocket ID: 2 : http://xmas2021.sefod.eu/socket.io/

**Send WebSocket Message**

**Send** To server ☒ Select next message received

Pretty Raw Hex

```
1 42["FLAG", "Hello Websockets!!!", "32fa02048g19g941nqttoenlbqdr1ptleiuapau2bn575us0rscgrf8kam61t5vnn0obd0eap0llmkhtdk8ot29"]
```

**History**

Message	Direction	Manual	Length
2	→ To server		1
3	← To client		1
42["MESSAGE", "Hello Websockets!!!", "32f...	→ To server	✓	141
42["MESSAGE", "Hello Websockets!!!", "32f...	← To client		141
42["FLAG", "Hello Websockets!!!", "32fa02...	→ To server	✓	138
42["FLAG", "flag{BoloRei_And_WebSocket...	← To client		48

Inspector

Pretty Raw Hex

```
1 42["FLAG", "flag{BoloRei_And_WebSockets_4_Xmas}"]
```

0 matches



# ❖ Flags



## WebSocket Flag

`flag(BoloRei_And_WebSockets_4_Xmas)`



## Santa JavaScript Flag

`flag(This_Flag_Is_Easier_Than_Rabanadas)`



## Santa Wasm Flag

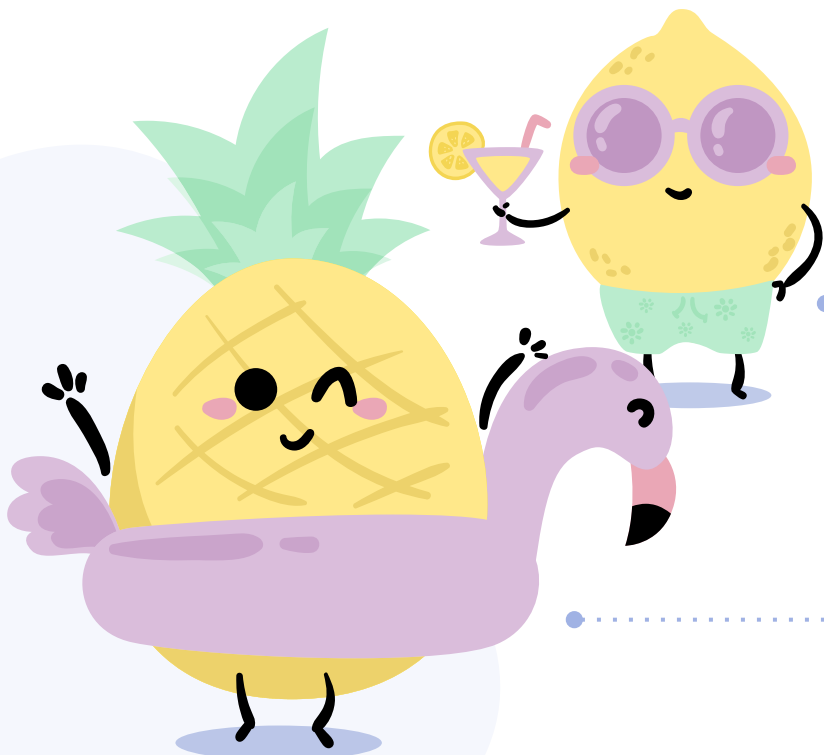
`flag(TheresNoXmasWithoutArrozDoce)`

# Solvers



- hcosta (3/3)
- sergio(3/3)
- vpinho (3/3)
- ArmySick(2/3)
- jp(2/3)
- nunohumberto(1/3)

## ❖ Source



Base

<https://github.com/robertDurst/ChatDemo>

CTF

<https://github.com/zezadas/OPOSEC-0x6C6461703A2F2F-WebChatCTF>



# Thank you!

Do you have any questions?

✿ zezadas

🐦 @0xz3z4d45

🌐 <https://sefod.eu>

Special thanks to Inês for helping with  
the web development



# Thank you!

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