Malware Is 'Rampant' On Medical Devices In Hospitals

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Dupple sends this quote from MIT's Technology Review:

"Computerized hospital equipment is increasingly vulnerable to malware infections, according to participants in a recent government panel. These infections can clog patient-monitoring equipment and other software systems, at times rendering the devices temporarily inoperable. While no injuries have been reported, the malware problem at hospitals is clearly rising nationwide, says Kevin Fu, a leading expert on medical-device security and a computer scientist at the University of Michigan and the University of Massachusetts, Amherst, who took part in the panel discussion. [He said], 'Conventional malware is rampant in hospitals because of medical devices using unpatched operating systems. There's little recourse for hospitals when a manufacturer refuses to allow OS updates or security patches.' ... Despite FDA guidance issued in 2009 to hospitals and manufacturers—encouraging them to work together and stressing that eliminating security risks does not always require regulatory review—many manufacturers interpret the fine print in other ways and don't offer updates, Fu says. And such reporting is not required unless a patient is harmed."

Web Security Part 2

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Announcements

- HW2 will be posted tonight
- Due next week on Friday

Project proposals

Web security part 2



SQL injection

Cross-site scripting attacks

Cross-site request forgery

Browser security model

Should be safe to visit an attacker website

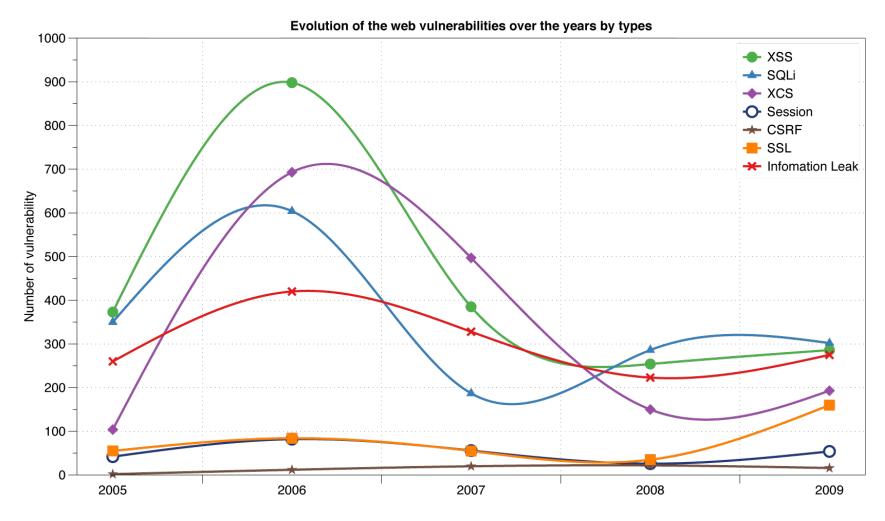


Should be safe to visit sites simultaneously



Should be safe to delegate content





Data from aggregator and validator of NVD-reported vulnerabilities

Top vulnerabilities

- SQL injection
 - insert malicious SQL commands to read / modify a database
- Cross-site request forgery (CSRF)
 - site A uses credentials for site B to do bad things
- Cross-site scripting (XSS)
 - site A sends victim client a script that abuses honest site B

Warmup: PHP vulnerabilities

PHP command eval(cmd_str) executes string cmd str as PHP code

http://example.com/calc.php

```
...
$in = $_GET['exp'];
eval('$ans = ' . $in . ';');
...
```

What can attacker do?

http://example.com/calc.php?exp="11; system('rm * ')"

Warmup: PHP command injection

```
$email = $_POST["email"]
$subject = $_POST["subject"]
system("mail $email -s $subject < /tmp/joinmynetwork")
```

http://example.com/sendemail.php

What can attacker do?

```
http://example.com/sendmail.php?
  email = "aboutogetowned@ownage.com" &
  subject= "foo < /usr/passwd; ls"</pre>
```

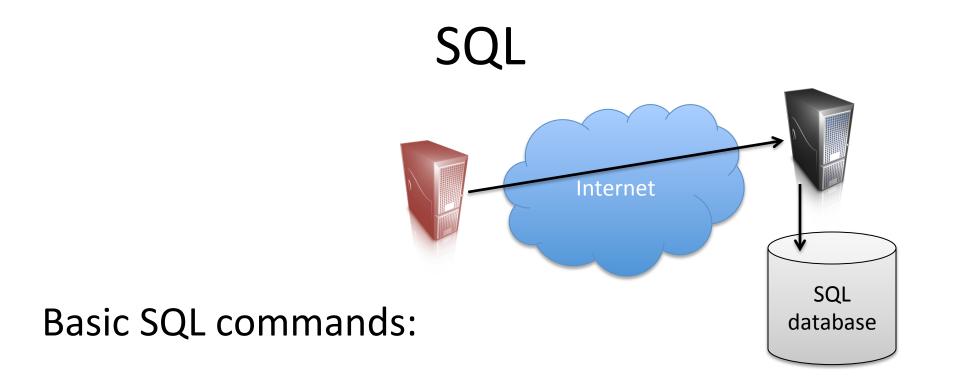
Encode as a URL

Plenty of other common problems with PHP

- File handling
 - example.com/servsideinclude.php?i=file.html
- Global variables
 - example.com/checkcreds.php?

```
user="bob; $auth=1;"
```

- More... surf the web for examples
 - https://www.owasp.org/index.php/PHP_Top_5

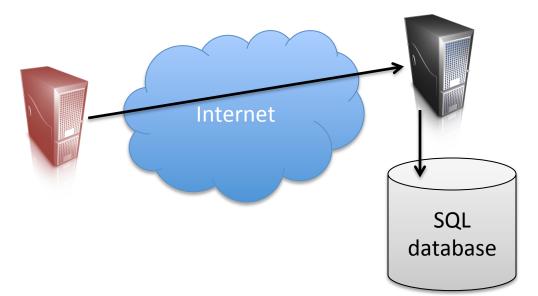


SELECT Company, Country FROM Customers WHERE Country <> 'USA'

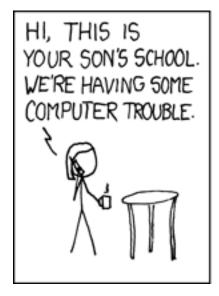
DROP TABLE Customers

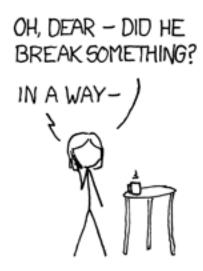
more: http://www.w3schools.com/sql/sql_syntax.asp

SQL

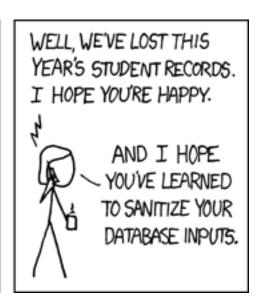


PHP-based SQL:









http://xkcd.com/327/

CardSystems breach 2005

~43 million cards stolen No encryption of CCN's

Visa/Mastercard stopped allowing them to process cards.

"They used a **SQL injection attack**, where a small snippet of code is inserted onto the database through the front end (browser page). Once inserted onto the server the code ran every four days. It gathered credit card data from the database, put it in a file (zipped to reduce size) and sent it to the hackers via FTP." From http://www.squidoo.com/cardsystems-data-breach-case

They got bought out by Pay by Touch in 2005 (probably cheap!) Pay By Touch shut down in 2008 (woops)

Lady Gaga's website

On June 27, 2011, Lady Gaga's website was hacked by a group of US cyber attackers called SwagSec and thousands of her fans' personal details were stolen from her website. The hackers took a content database dump from www.ladygaga.co.uk and a section of email, first name, and last name records were accessed. [43] According to an Imperva blog about the incident, a SQL injection vulnerability for her website was recently posted on a hacker forum website, where a user revealed the vulnerability to the rest of the hacker community. While no financial records were compromised, the blog implies that Lady Gaga fans are most likely receiving fraudulent email messages offering exclusive Lady Gaga merchandise, but instead contain malware.[44]

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sql_injection_attack
Many more examples

ASP example

```
set ok = execute( "SELECT * FROM Users
        WHERE user=' " & form("user") & " '
    AND pwd=' " & form("pwd") & " '" );

if not ok.EOF
    login success
else fail;
```

What the developer expected to be sent to SQL:

SELECT * FROM Users WHERE user='me' AND pwd='1234'

```
set ok = execute( "SELECT * FROM Users
     WHERE user=' " & form("user") & " '
     AND pwd=' " & form("pwd") & " '" );
if not ok.EOF
     login success
else fail;
```

```
Input: user= "'OR 1=1 --" (URL encoded) -- tells SQL to ignore rest of line
```

SELECT * FROM Users WHERE user=' OR 1=1 -- 'AND ...

Result: ok.EOF false, so easy login

```
set ok = execute( "SELECT * FROM Users
     WHERE user=' " & form("user") & " '
   AND pwd=' " & form("pwd") & " '" );
if not ok.EOF
   login success
else fail;
```

```
Input: user= "'; DROP TABLE Users" (URL encoded)
```

```
SELECT * FROM Users WHERE user=' '; DROP TABLE Users -- ...
```

Result: Bye-bye customer information

```
set ok = execute( "SELECT * FROM Users
    WHERE user=' " & form("user") & " '
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    login success
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```

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SELECT * FROM Users WHERE user=' '; exec ...
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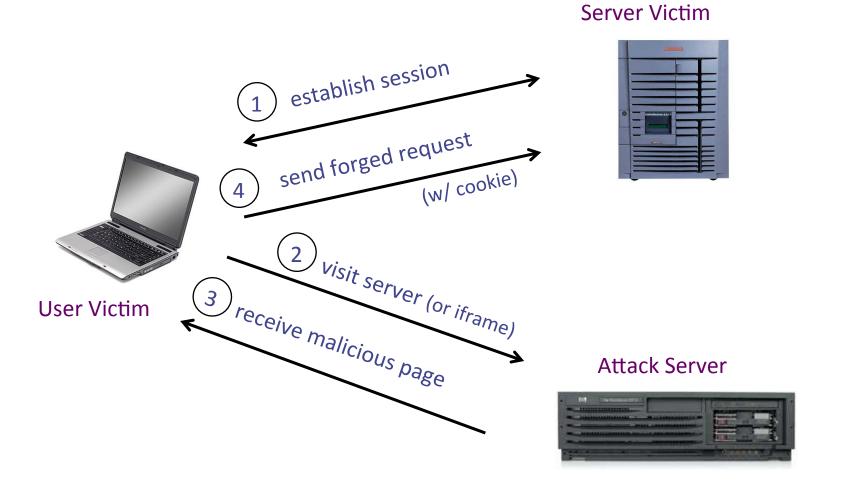
Result: If SQL database running with correct permissions, then attacker gets account on database server. (net command is Windows)

Preventing SQL injection

- Don't build commands yourself
- Parameterized/prepared SQL commands
 - Properly escape commands with \
 - ASP 1.1 example

```
SqlCommand cmd = new SqlCommand(
    "SELECT * FROM UserTable WHERE
    username = @User AND
    password = @Pwd", dbConnection);
cmd.Parameters.Add("@User", Request["user"]);
cmd.Parameters.Add("@Pwd", Request["pwd"]);
cmd.ExecuteReader();
```

Cross-site request forgery (CSRF)



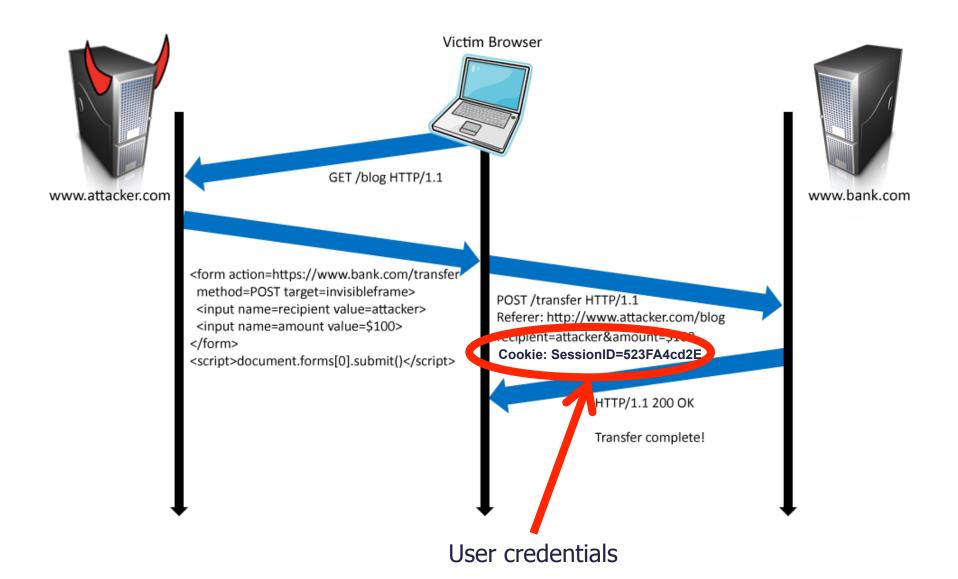
How CSRF works

- User's browser logged in to bank
- User's browser visits site containing:

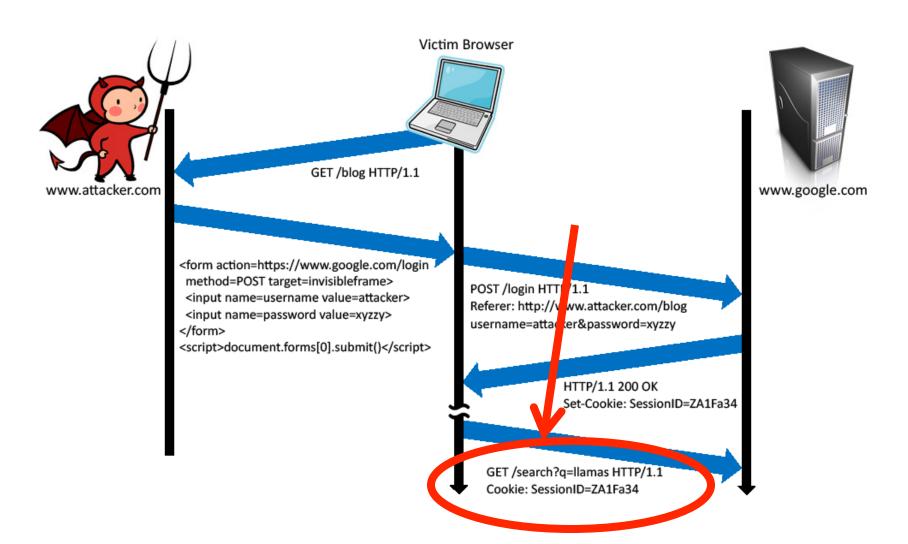
```
<form name=F action=http://bank.com/BillPay.php>
    <input name=recipient value=badguy> ...
    </form>
    <script> document.F.submit(); </script>
```

- Browser sends Auth cookie to bank. Why?
 - Cookie scoping rules

Form post with cookie



Login CSRF



CSRF Defenses

Secret Validation Token





<input type=hidden value=23a3af01b>

Referer Validation



Referer: http://www.facebook.com/
home.php

Custom HTTP Header



X-Requested-By: XMLHttpRequest

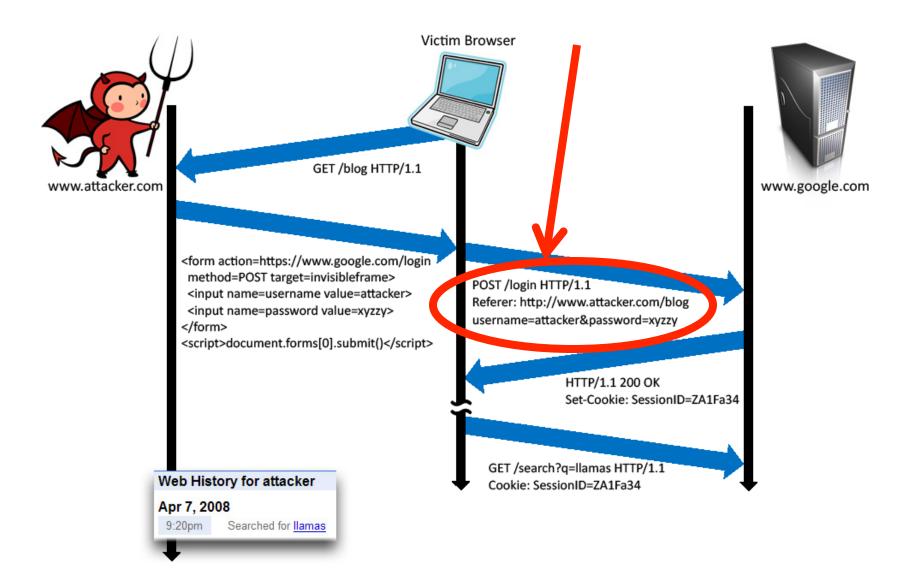
Secret validation tokens

Include field with large random value, HMAC of a hidden value

```
'><input name="authenticity_token" type="hidden" value="0114d5b35744b522af8643921bd5a3d899e7fbd2" /></dinages/logo.jpg" width='110'></div>
```

- Goal: Attacker can't forge token, server validates it
 - Why can't another site read the token value?

Referrer validation



Referrer validation

- Check referrer:
 - Referrer = bank.com is ok
 - Referrer = attacker.com is NOT ok
 - Referrer = ???
- Lenient policy: allow if not present
- Strict policy: disallow if not present
 - more secure, but kills functionality

Referrer validation

- Referrer's often stripped, since they may leak information!
 - HTTPS to HTTP referrer is stripped
 - Clients may strip referrers
 - Network stripping of referrers (by organization)
- Bugs in early browsers allowed Referrer spoofing

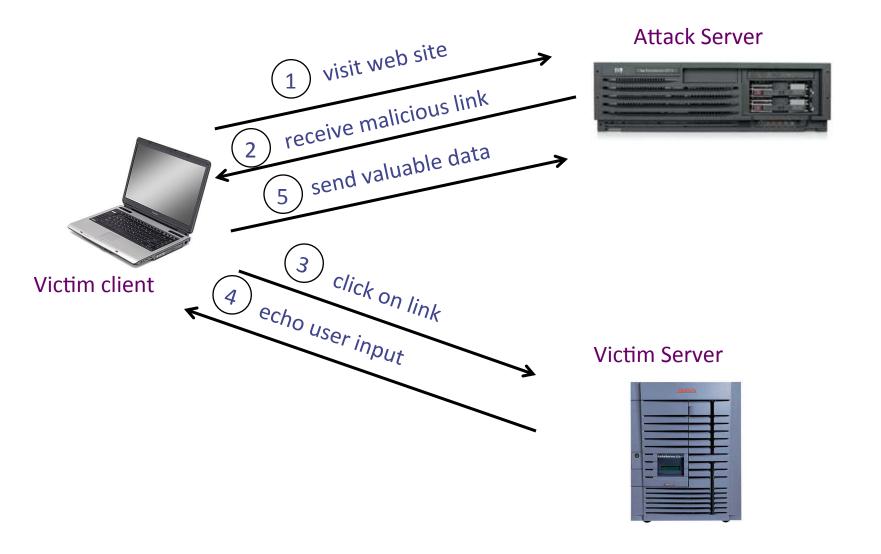
Custom headers

- Use XMLHttpRequest for all (important) requests
 - API for performing requests from within scripts
- Google Web Toolkit:
 - X-XSRF-Cookie header includes cookie as well
 - Proves referrer had access to cookie
- Server verifies presence of header, otherwise reject
- Doesn't work across domains
- Requires all calls via XMLHttpRequest with authentication data
 - E.g.: Login CSRF means login happens over XMLHttpRequest

Cross-site scripting (XSS)

- Site A tricks client into running script that abuses honest site B
 - Reflected (non-persistent) attacks
 - (e.g., links on malicious web pages)
 - Stored (persistent) attacks
 - (e.g., Web forms with HTML)

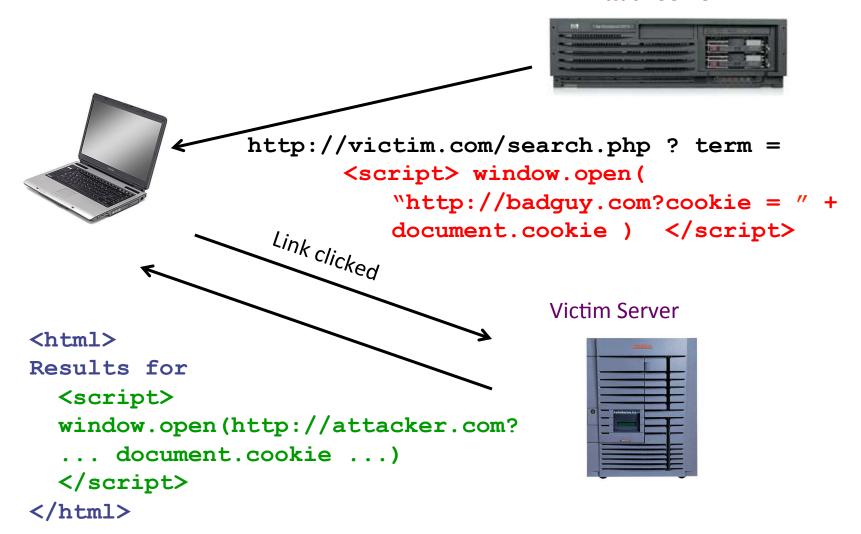
Basic scenario: reflected XSS attack



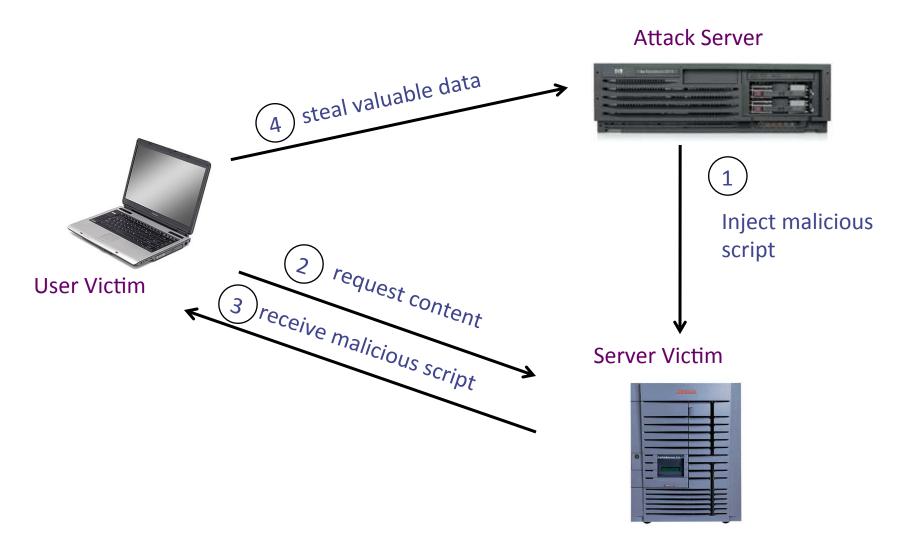
Example

http://victim.com/search.php ? term = apple

Attack Server



Stored XSS



"but most of all, Samy is my hero"

MySpace allows HTML content from users
Strips many dangerous tags, strips any occurrence of javascript

CSS allows embedded javascript

```
<div id="mycode" expr="alert('hah!')" style="background:url('java
script:eval(document.all.mycode.expr)')">
```

Samy Kamkar used this (with a few more tricks) to build javascript worm that spread through MySpace

- Add message above to profile
- Add worm to profile
- Within 20 hours: one million users run payload

Defending against XSS

- Input validation
 - Never trust client-side data
 - Only allow what you expect
 - Remove/encode special characters (harder than it sounds)
- Output filtering / encoding
 - Remove/encode special characters
 - Allow only "safe" commands
- Client side defenses, HTTPOnly cookies, Taint mode (Perl), Static analysis of server code ...

Top vulnerabilities

- SQL injection
- Cross-site request forgery (CSRF or XSRF)
- Cross-site scripting (XSS)