Javascript for Pentesters



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XMLHttpRequest Basics

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XMLHttpRequest is a JavaScript object that was designed by Microsoft and adopted by Mozilla, Apple, and Google. It's now being standardized in the W3C. It provides an easy way to retrieve data from a URL without having to do a full page refresh. A Web page can update just a part of the page without disrupting what the user is doing.

XMLHttpRequest is used heavily in AJAX programming.

https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/API/XMLHttpRequest

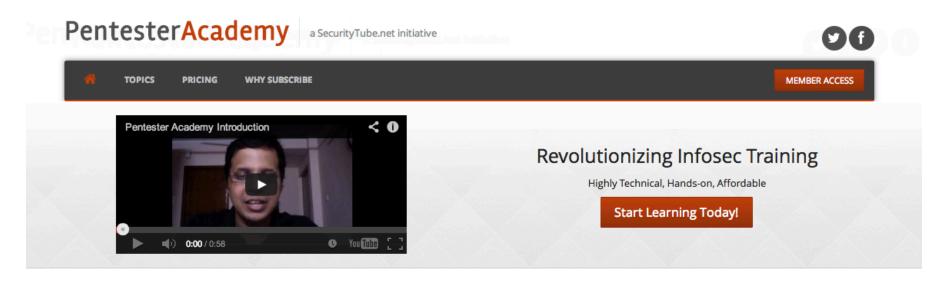
Origin Policies

- Same origin policy
 - resource sharing allowed only if from same origin
 - Origin based on Protocol, Port and Host combination
 - https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/ JavaScript/Same origin policy for JavaScript
- Cross Origin Resource Sharing
 - https://developer.mozilla.org/en/docs/HTTP/ Access control CORS
 - server decides based on origin domain
 - http://stackoverflow.com/questions/2533049/crossorigin-resource-sharing-cors-am-i-missing-something-here

Structure of XHR

```
<script>
var req = new XMLHttpRequest();
reg.onreadystatechange=function()
  if (req.readyState==4 && req.status==200)
     response =req.responseText;
  };
req.open("GET", "/lab/webapp/jfp/14/email?name=john", true);
req.send();
</script>
```

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