

Re: lisp and security

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In article <gNOSPAMat-2402042318270001@192.168.1.52>, gNOSPAMat@jpl.nasa.gov (Erann Gat) wrote:

> In article <barmar-E5B54B.00092825022004@comcast.ash.giganews.com>, Barry
> Margolin <barmar@alum.mit.edu> wrote:
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>> In article <gNOSPAMat-2402041623410001@k-137-79-50-101.jpl.nasa.gov>,
>> gNOSPAMat@jpl.nasa.gov (Erann Gat) wrote:
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>>> And how this differs from someone blindly using the DOM model of
>>> XML, which
>>> essentially sucks in the entire tree into memory, thereby risking
>>> the exact
>>> same problem, eludes me.
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>>> It doesn't. Just because other approaches may encounter the same problem
>>> doesn't mean it's not a problem.
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>> Go back to the original post. The problem was raised in a discussion
>> about using Lisp S-Expressions versus XML, and the claim was that this
>> is one of the reasons not to use Lisp. If both approaches share a
>> security failing, then it's irrelevant in the comparison.
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> To paraphrase Will, how this differs from what I said eludes me.

It might be a problem, but it's not the problem we're discussing.

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