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The New OWASP Testing Guide v4

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Agenda

- OWASP Guides Today
- The OWASP Testing Guide v4
 - Why the OWASP Testing Guide?
 - How can you use it?
- Common misunderstanding of the use of the TG
- The importance to use all the OWASP Resources

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OWASP Guides today



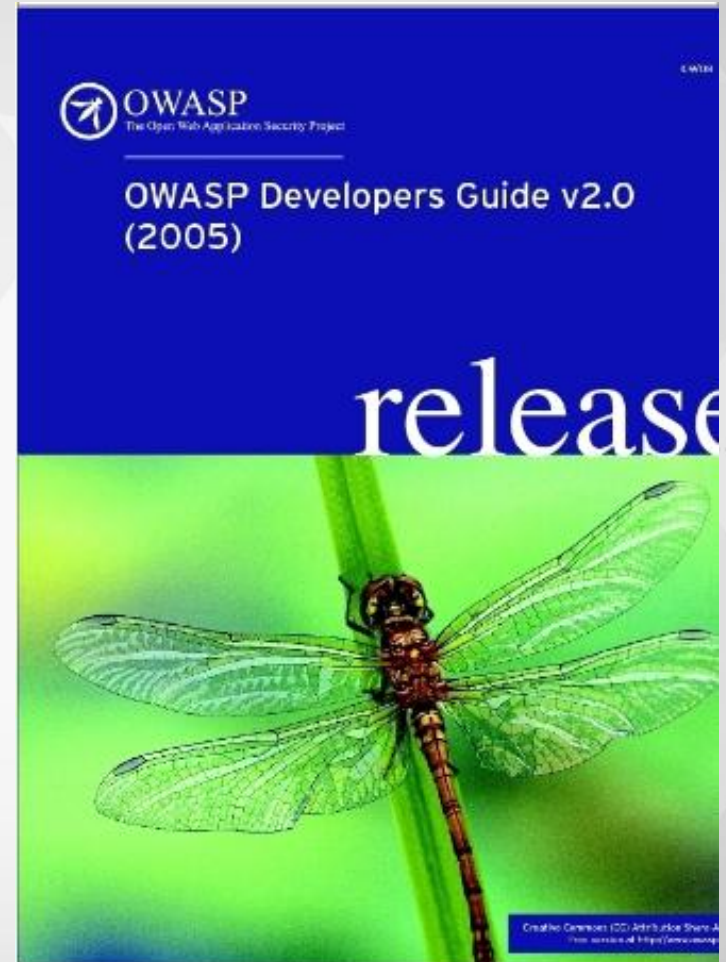
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OWASP has ~140 Projects

- PROTECT - These are tools and documents that can be used to guard against security-related design and implementation flaws.
- DETECT - These are tools and documents that can be used to find security-related design and implementation flaws.
- LIFE CYCLE - These are tools and documents that can be used to add security-related activities into the Software Development Life Cycle (SDLC).

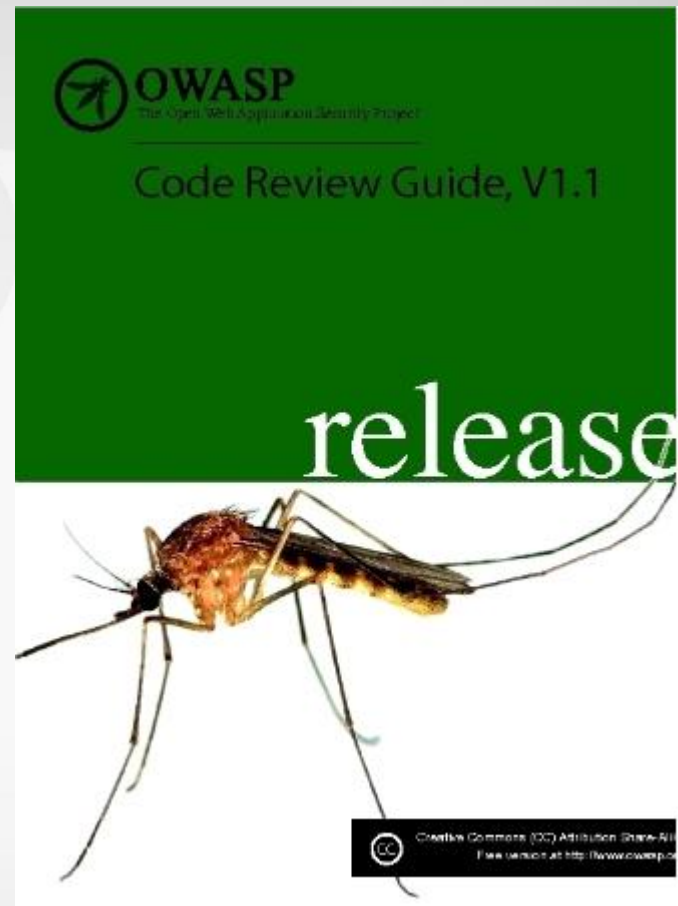
Developer Guide

- The First OWASP 'Guide'
- Complements OWASP Top 10
- 310p Book (on wiki too)
- Many contributors
- Apps and web services
- Most platforms
- **Examples are J2EE, ASP.NET, and PHP**
- Unfortunately Outdated
- Project Leader and Editor
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Code Review Guide

- Most comprehensive open source secure code review guide on the web
- Years of development effort
- Version 1.1 produced during 2008
- Numerous contributors
- Version 2.0 effort launched in 2012
- Project Leader and Editor
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[www.owasp.org/index.php/Code Review Guide](http://www.owasp.org/index.php/Code_Review_Guide)

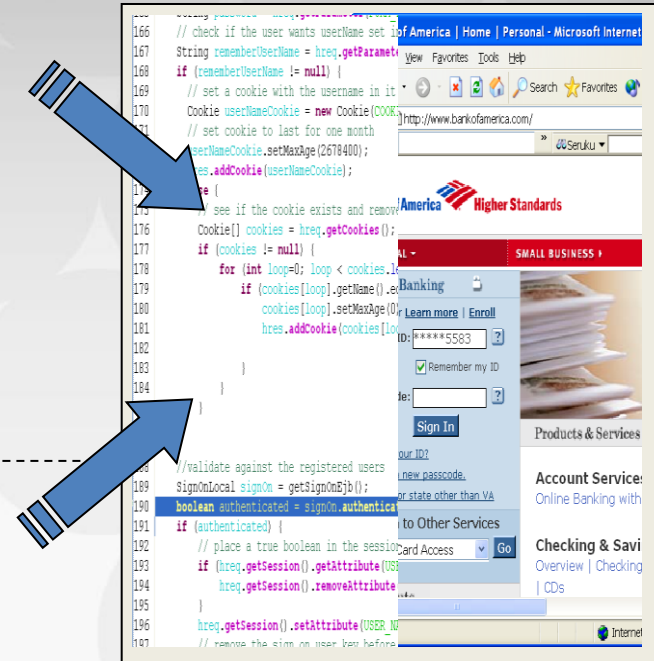
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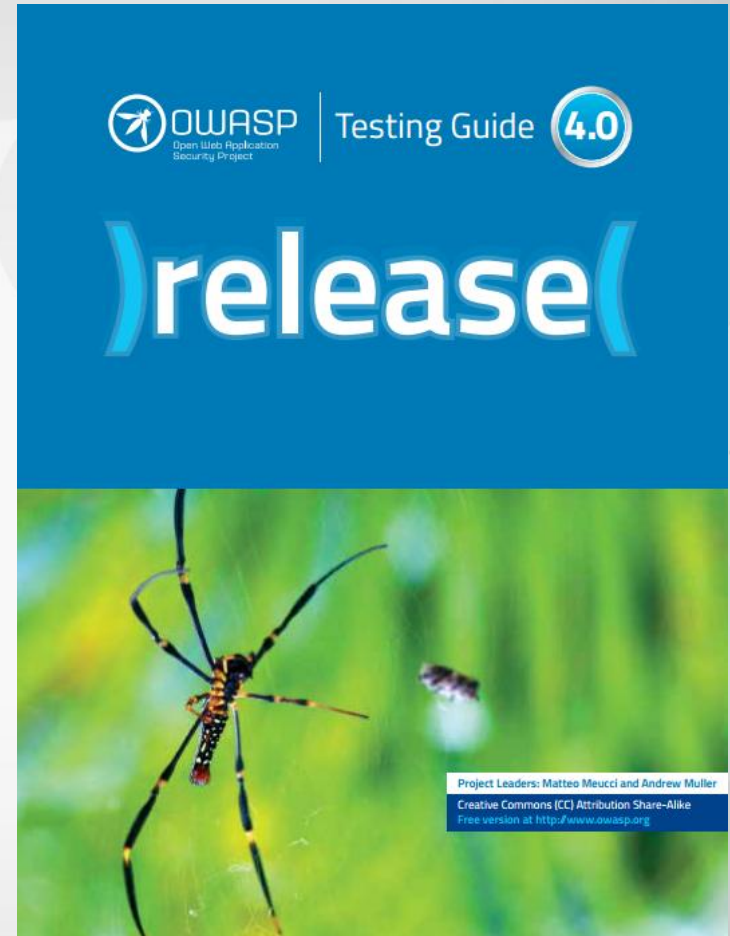
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Testing Guide

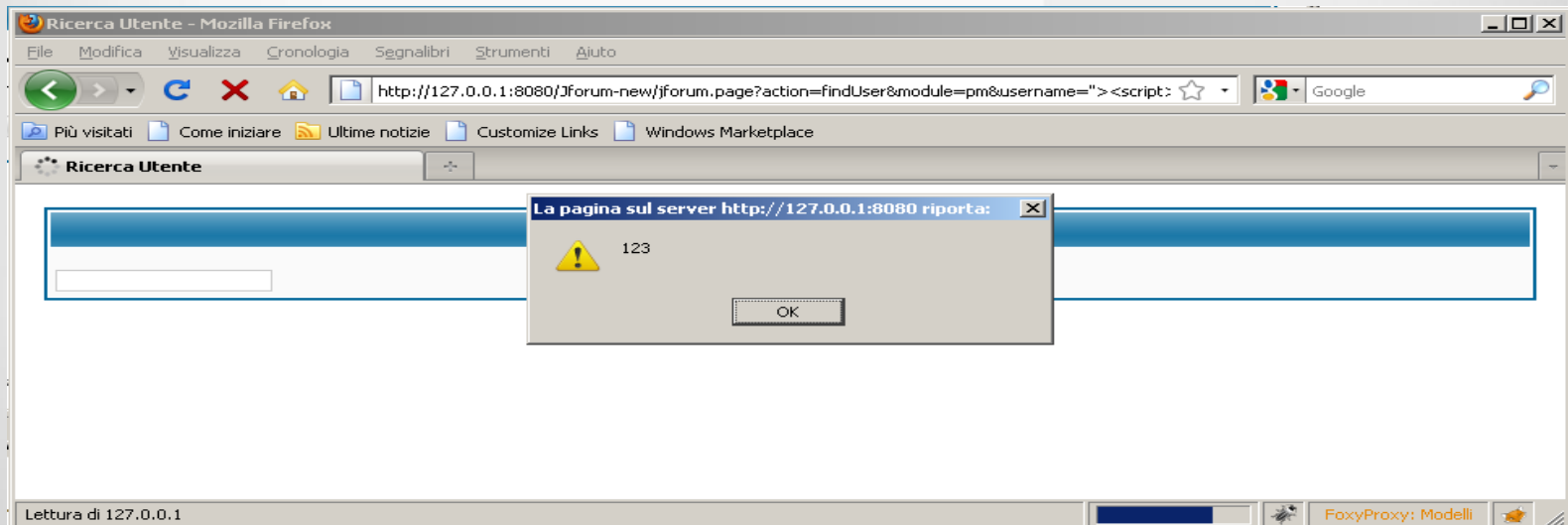
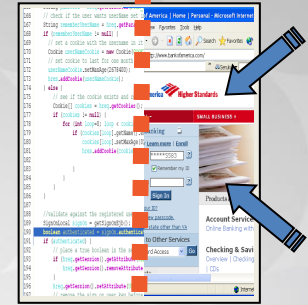
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The new Testing Guide: why?

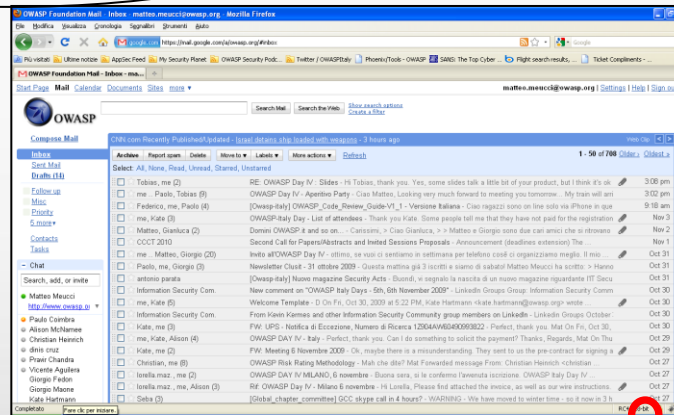
What is Secure Software?

It's secure! Looks at the lock, down on the right!



Sure! The news said that is unbreakable!

It's secure! It's Google!



Software Security Principles

- **The Vulnerabilities in the software development process are expected.**
- The control of the security bugs and flaws in the software should be considered as part of the process of software development.
- Vulnerability management (fixing process) is the most important step of the process of software security.

The OWASP Testing Guide: Community driven for all the Enterprises



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The state of the art of the Web
Application Penetration Testing



Fight with the same weapons (knowledge)

Testing Guide History

- **July 14, 2004**
"OWASP Web Application Penetration Checklist", V1.0
- **December 25, 2006**
"OWASP Testing Guide", V2.0
- **December 16, 2008**
"OWASP Testing Guide", V3.0
- **September 17, 2014**
"OWASP Testing Guide", V 4.0

Citations:

- **NIST SP800-115 "Technical Guide to Information Security Testing and Assessment"**
- **Gary McGraw (CTO Cigital) says: "In my opinion it is the strongest piece of Intellectual Property in the OWASP portfolio" – OWASP Podcast by Jim Manico**
- **NSA's "Guidelines for Implementation of REST"**
- **Official (ISC)2 Guide to the CSSLP - Page: 70, 365**
- **Many books, blogs and websites**

Disclosure: use the Guide only on your local applications or be sure to have an NDA in place with the owner of the application before test it

Testing Guide v4 goals

- Create a more readable guide, eliminating some sections that are not really useful as DoS test.
- Insert new testing techniques: HTTP Verb tampering, HTTP Parameter Pollutions, etc.,
- Rationalize some sections as Session Management Testing, Authentication Testing
- Create new sections: Client side Testing, Cryptography, Identity Management



Contents

- The OWASP Testing Framework
- The set of active tests have been split into 11 sub-categories for a total of 91 controls:
 - Information Gathering
 - Configuration and Deployment Management Testing
 - Identity Management Testing
 - Authentication Testing
 - Authorization Testing
 - Session Management Testing
 - Input Validation Testing
 - Error Handling
 - Cryptography
 - Business Logic Testing
 - Client Side Testing

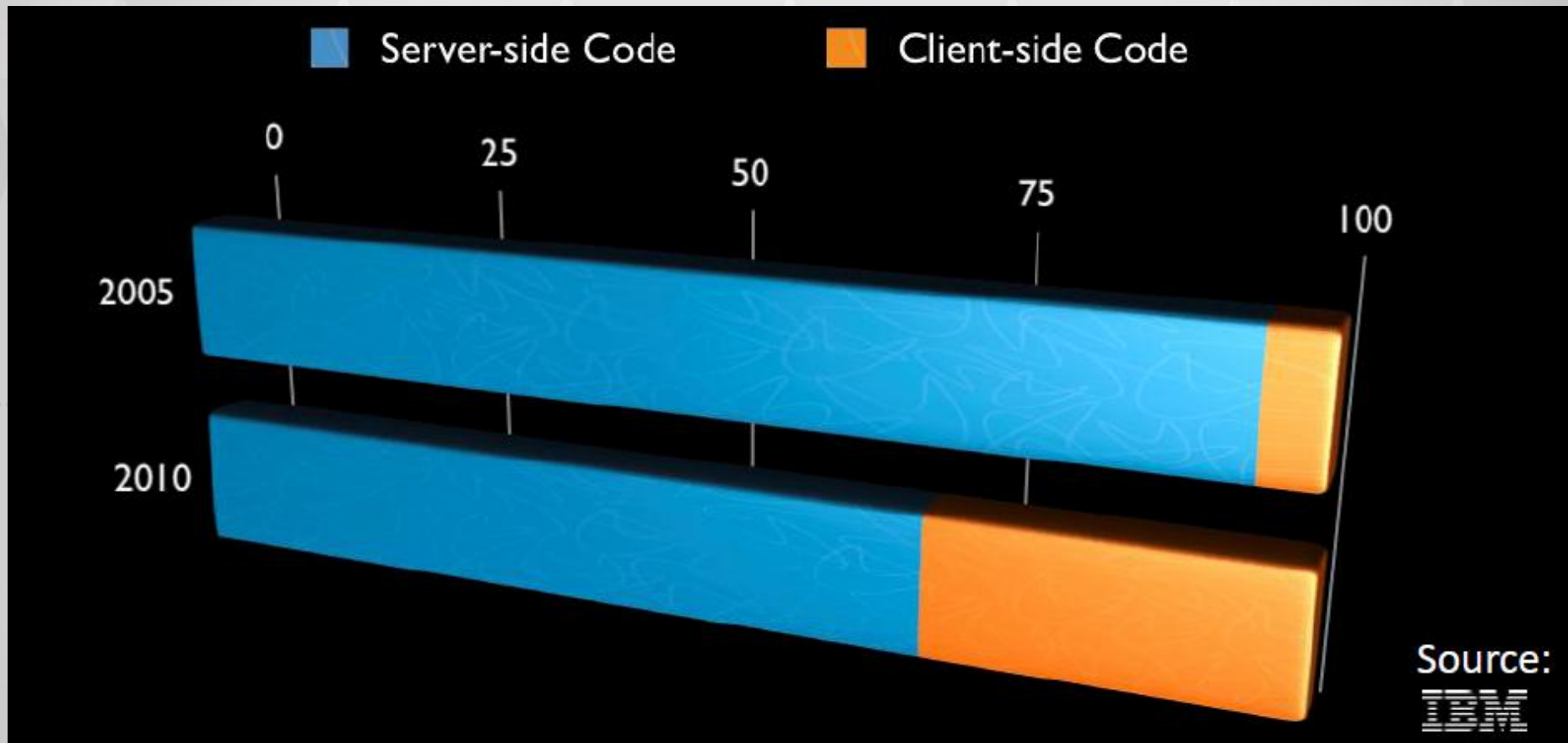


Client Side Testing

- Testing for DOM based Cross Site Scripting (OTG-CLIENT-001)
- Testing for JavaScript Execution (OTG-CLIENT-002)
- Testing for HTML Injection (OTG-CLIENT-003)
- Testing for Client Side URL Redirect (OTG-CLIENT-004)
- Testing for CSS Injection (OTG-CLIENT-005)
- Testing for Client Side Resource Manipulation (OTG-CLIENT-006)
- Test Cross Origin Resource Sharing (OTG-CLIENT-007)
- Testing for Cross Site Flashing (OTG-CLIENT-008)
- Testing for Clickjacking (OTG-CLIENT-009)
- Testing WebSockets (OTG-CLIENT-010)
- Test Web Messaging (OTG-CLIENT-011)
- Test Local Storage (OTG-CLIENT-012)



Client-side Vs Server-side code



Code Flow & Terminology

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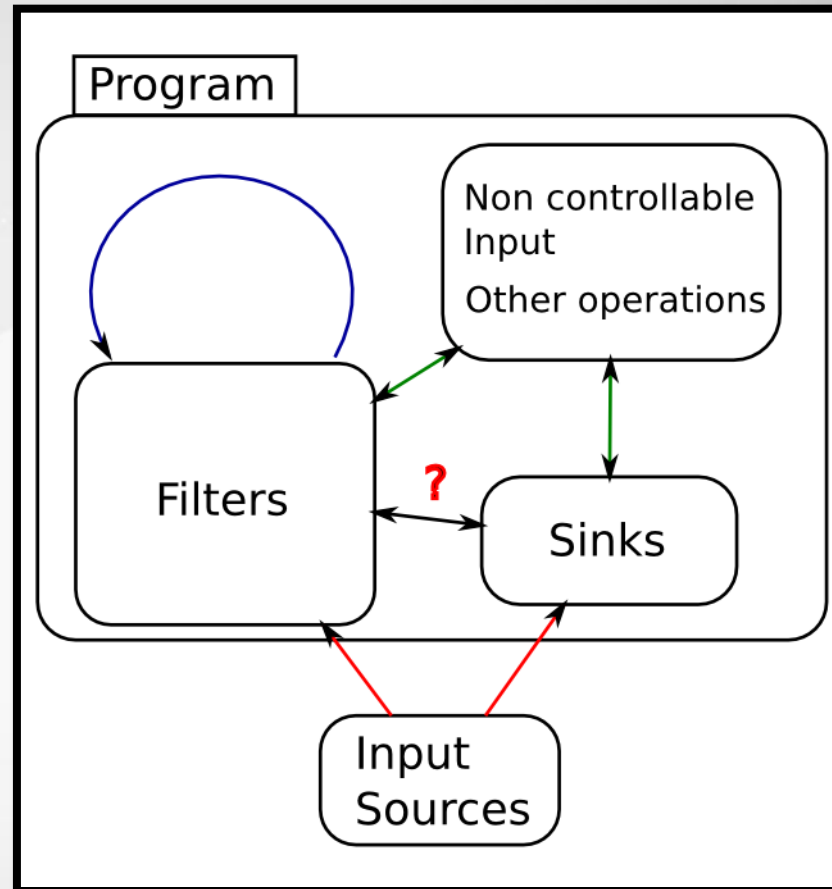
the input which can be directly or indirectly controlled by the attacker.

Filters:

a set of operations on the source that manipulate the content or verify the presence of characters or values.

Sinks:

potentially dangerous functions that can be abused.



Taint Analysis

```
<script>  
  var l = location.href;  
  var user = l.substring(l.indexOf("user")); ← Tainted Source  
  document.write("Hello, " + user); ← Sink  
</script>
```

Taint Propagation is the process to follow the tainted value from the source to the sink

Sinks and vulnerabilities

- ❑ Classic **sinks** are:

Functions that create HTML

Functions that will interpret strings as JavaScript

- ❑ These sinks could bring to these **vulnerabilities**:

HTML injection

JavaScript execution

HTML Injection

- These functionalities will create/modify the HTML in the web page body:

`innerHTML`

`outerHTML`

`adjacentHTML`

`document.write`

- Those functions can lead to:

HTML injection

HTML Injection (2)

```
<script>
```

```
var userposition = location.href.indexOf("user=");
```

```
var user = location.href.substring(userposition+5);
```

← Source

```
document.getElementById("Welcome").innerHTML = " Hello, "+user;
```

← Sink

```
</script>
```



[http://vulnerable.site/page.html?user=<img%20src="aaa"%20onerror=alert\(1\)>](http://vulnerable.site/page.html?user=<img%20src='aaa'%20onerror=alert(1)>)



```
<p id="Welcome">Hello, </p>
```



JavaScript Execution

- ❑ These functionalities will interpret a string as JavaScript :

Arguments to eval, execScript, Function, setTimeout, setInterval

Assignments to src attribute of iframe or script tags.

Insecure usage of location.replace/assign.

Insecure assignments to location.

- ❑ Those functions can lead to:

JavaScript execution

JavaScript Execution (2)

```
<script>
```

```
var stringPosition = location.search.indexOf("param1=");
```

```
var taintedString = location.search.substring(stringPosition+7);
```

```
eval('var s="' + taintedString + "';')
```

```
</script>
```

← Source

← Sink



[http://vulnerable.site/?param1=";alert\(1\)//](http://vulnerable.site/?param1=)



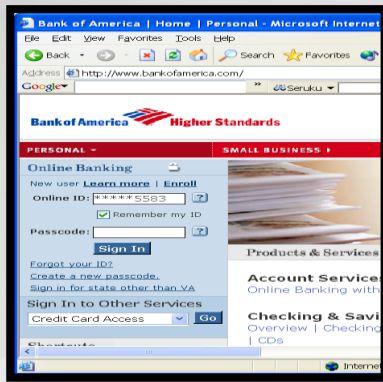
Testing for weak Cryptography

- Testing for Weak SSL/TLS Ciphers, Insufficient Transport Layer Protection (OTG-CRYPST-001)
- Testing for Padding Oracle (OTG-CRYPST-002)
- Testing for Sensitive information sent via unencrypted channels (OTG-CRYPST-003)

Identity Management Testing

- Test Role Definitions (OTG-IDENT-001)
- Test User Registration Process (OTG-IDENT-002)
- Test Account Provisioning Process (OTG-IDENT-003)
- Testing for Account Enumeration and Guessable User Account (OTG-IDENT-004)
- Testing for Weak or unenforced username policy (OTG-IDENT-005)

How to use the methodology



Web Application



Methodology



Report

```
166 // check if the user wants username set I
167 String rememberUserName = hreq.getParameter
168 if (rememberUserName != null) {
169 // set a cookie with the username in it
170 Cookie userNameCookie = new Cookie(COOK
171 // set cookie to last for one month
172 userNameCookie.setMaxAge(2678400);
173 hres.addCookie(userNameCookie);
174 } else {
175 // see if the cookie exists and remov
176 Cookie[] cookies = hreq.getCookies();
177 if (cookies != null) {
178 for (int loop=0; loop < cookies.l
179 if (cookies[loop].getName().e
180 cookies[loop].setMaxAge(
181 hres.addCookie(cookies)
182
183
184
185
186
187
188 //validate against the registered users
189 signonLocal signon = getSignonEib();
190 cookies.removeCookie("signon.authentic
191 if (authenticated) {
192 // place a true boolean in the sessio
193 if (hreq.getSession().getAttribute(US
194 hreq.getSession().removeAttribute
195
196 hreq.getSession().setAttribute(USERS_N
197
```

Source Code

```
public void findUser()
{ boolean showResult = false;
String username =
this.request.getParameter("us
ername");
...
this.context.put("username",
ESAPI.encoder().encodeForHT
MLAttribute(username));
this.context.put("showResult",
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}
```

Fixing



Methodology



Retest Report

Common misunderstanding



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Example of unstructured approach:

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Actors



Ministry of Informatics:
who buys the software



Development teams
(internal/external):
who develops the software



User: who uses the software



Press conference for the launch of the service

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Now you can take advantage of a new service on the portal of the Ministry of Informatics

Fantastic!!

Compliments!!



The day after...

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Ministero dell'Informatica: "Al via il nuovo servizio"

Da oggi è possibile accedere al nuovo portale di Ministero dell'Informatica che ha la missione di gestire, controllare e proporre nuove tecnologie e delle relative applicazioni industriali e di promuovere l'integrazione fra il sistema della ricerca...

Crollo Pompei, Bondi sotto accusa

Il Pd verso la mozione di sfiducia

Negli scavi i turisti sgomenti / Foto



I democratici stanno per annunciare l'affondo parlamentare contro il ministro. Che si difende **(audio)**: "Se fossi responsabile mi dimetterei. Riferirò alle Camere"

Veneto, ancora pioggia e paura

Zaia: "Resti qui acconto Irpef"

Maltempo su tutta Italia fino a mercoledì



Nella regione alluvionata il governatore rilancia l'idea di trattenere le tasse sul territorio. La Protezione civile: il livello dei fiumi si abbassa. Diciassette persone evacuate in

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Da Portland a Sydney quella metropoli sembra un parco - foto

Stoccolma, Tromso, il Sudafrica e la Nuova Zelanda ma anche Rio. Una guida alle 10 città del mondo dove è ancora possibile perdersi in una foresta di LARA GUSATTO

LE IMMAGINI



REPUBBLICA TV / IL DERBY

Ranieri show: "I romanisti stanno a gode' come ricci"

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Users access to the portal...



John Black – 12/12/1970 – JBlack@company.com
Josh White - 10/09/1982 – White@bank.com
Paul Red– 09/02/1960 – Paul@bank.com

Users access to the portal...

Oh oh...I find a problem...



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Violato il sito del Ministero dell'Informatica

Il nuovo portale del Ministero dell'Informatica sembra sia stato violato e che sia possibile accedere ad informazioni riservate degli utenti del servizio ...

Viaggi Scienza L'intervista

Repubblica@Scuola cambia veste notizie tra blog, chat e 'mini-twitter'

la Repubblica @SCUOLA

Tante le novità per gli 800mila studenti-reporter degli istituti collegati al sito di Repubblica.it. Una nuova homepage, una chat-news, tante classifiche, più visibilità per i ragazzi, crediti formativi e una vetrina per le scuole di **FEDERICO PACE**

Immigrati, blitz all'alba a Brescia - foto sgomberato il presidio intorno alla gru

I sei extracomunitari che chiedono di essere regolarizzati restano a 35 metri di altezza. Appello video a Napolitano: "Aiutaci, sei anche il nostro presidente". Una troupe di Rai Educational ha trascorso la notte con loro: "Vogliamo incontrare anche Meroni"

Aeroporti, troppi sprechi: via gli scali "bonsai"

Da Bolzano a Lampedusa, 24 a rischio

Pochi passeggeri, molti debiti. Spuntarono come funghi nell'era della deregulation selvaggia dei cieli, oggi sono piccole cattedrali nel deserto. Sul tavolo del governo un piano di tagli. Ma è un trend mondiale di **ETTORE LIVINI** **Commenta**

The reactions...

Ohh..how it was possible?
Fault of the developers!



but it is impossible !?
We followed all your instructions



If you do not ask for security, no one will develop secure software

Use the Testing Guide as common framework

An year after...another security breach

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Fault of the developers!



but it is impossible!?
**We adopt the OWASP
Testing Guide!**



Web Application Penetration testing is not enough!

If you do not design a correct vulnerability fixing process you will not solve the vulnerabilities of your application

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A structured approach: OWASP Guidelines and tools



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The Importance to use all the OWASP resources into your SDLC

If you do not ask for security, no one will develop secure software

Use the OWASP Software Contract Annex to regulate your outsourcer contracts



If you do not know the application threats, you will develop unsecure software

Use the OWASP Top 10 for General Awareness

Use the CISO Guide for Management's Awareness



Vulnerabilities in the software development process are expected

Use the OWASP Building Guide and ESAPI to write more secure software

Use the OWASP Secure Code Review Guide to review the code

Use the OWASP Testing Guide to review to test your application



The Importance to use all the OWASP resources into your SDLC

The fixing process is the most important step of the process of software security



Retest your application after a bug fixing or a new release to be sure that the right implementations are in place

How can I manage the Software Security Governance?



Use the OWASP SAMM to assess your maturity and to build an Application Security Program to manage the SDLC



OWASP Guidelines in the SAMM model

Governance



Construction



Verification



Deployment



Conclusions

- Adopt the OWASP Testing Guide as your standard for verify the security of your Web Application.
- The Testing Guide is not the panacea of Software Security!
- Focus more on fixing the vulnerabilities of your reports.
- You need to create an **Application Security Program** to address Awareness, Secure Coding Guidelines, Threat Modeling, Secure Design, Secure Code Review and Web Application Penetration Testing.

Thanks! Questions?

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