

*We won't be talking about this!*



- Test for Reflected Cross Site Scripting
- Test for Stored Cross Site Scripting
- Test for DOM based Cross Site Scripting
- Test for Cross Site Flashing
- Test for HTML Injection
- Test for SQL Injection
- Test for SOQL Injection
- Test for LDAP Injection
- Test for ORM Injection
- Test for XML Injection
- Test for XXE Injection
- Test for SSI Injection
- Test for XPath Injection
- Test for XQuery Injection
- Test for IMAP/SMTP Injection
- Test for Code Injection
- Test for Expression Language Injection
- Test for Command Injection
- Test for Overflow (Stack, Heap and Integer)
- Test for Format String
- Test for incubated vulnerabilities
- Test for HTTP Splitting/Smuggling
- Test for HTTP Verb Tampering
- Test for Open Redirection
- Test for Local File Inclusion

# WEB APPLICATION PENTESTING

PRACTICAL METHODOLOGY FOR FINDING  
BUGS AND VULNERABILITIES



...for the owner's privacy...  
...may be actively used by the owner.

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- SHORT SUMMARY:

**I SHOW HOW CRIMINALS BREAK-IN,  
AND I HELP THROW THEM BACK OUT...**

## CERTS

- GCIH** GIAC Certified Incident Handler
- GPEN** GIAC Certified Penetration Tester
- GSLC** GIAC Security Leadership
- GIAC** GIAC Mobile Device Security Analyst
- GDAT** GIAC Defending Advanced Adversaries
- GCTI** GIAC Cyber Threat Intelligence
- GCFA** GIAC Certified Forensic Analyst
- GXIH** GIAC Experienced Incident Handler
- GXPT** GIAC Experience Penetration Tester
- GSP** GIAC Security Professional



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*Parsing HTML Using  
Regular Expressions*

NO stop the an \*les are not real ZALGO, HE COMES

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## WHY THIS TALK?

- WEB IS UBIQUITOUS
- CONSIDERED BORING BY MANY
- NOT THE HIGHEST OF LEARNING CURVES.
  - YOU CAN PROVIDE VALUE FAST
- DUNNING KRUGER EFFECT
  - NOT JUST CHECKLIST, I.E. FRAMEWORKS , OWASP TOP10 , ETC.
- WEB IS REALLY A GREAT PLACE TO RESEARCH, BOUNTY AND GIVE YOUR CUSTOMERS VALUE.



# PORTSWIGGER TOP 10 ATTACKS

- 1 - ACCOUNT HIJACKING USING DIRTY DANCING IN SIGN-IN OAUTH-FLOWS
- 2 - BROWSER-POWERED DESYNC ATTACKS: A NEW FRONTIER IN HTTP REQUEST SMUGGLING
- 3 - ZIMBRA EMAIL - STEALING CLEAR-TEXT CREDENTIALS VIA MEMCACHE INJECTION
- 4 - HACKING THE CLOUD WITH SAML
- 5 - BYPASSING .NET SERIALIZATION BINDERS
- 6 - MAKING HTTP HEADER INJECTION CRITICAL VIA RESPONSE QUEUE POISONING
- 7 - WORLDWIDE SERVER-SIDE CACHE POISONING ON ALL AKAMAI EDGE NODES
- 8 - PSYCHIC SIGNATURES IN JAVA
- 9 - PRACTICAL CLIENT-SIDE PATH-TRAVERSAL ATTACKS
- 10 - EXPLOITING WEB3'S HIDDEN ATTACK SURFACE: UNIVERSAL XSS ON NETLIFY'S NEXT.JS LIBRARY



# Burp Suite – Tool of Choice

- 🕒 Defacto tool by pentester
- 🕒 Strong fuzzing capabilities
- 🕒 Extension support
- 🕒 Very flexible and robust
- 🕒 Well developed scanner
- 🕒 Spidering engine with decent SPA support
- 🕒 Cheat sheet:  
<https://www.sans.org/posters/burp-suite-cheat-sheet/>

The screenshot displays the Burp Suite Professional v2022.12.7 interface. The top menu includes options like Burp, Project, Intruder, Repeater, Window, Help, Backslash, Powered Scanner, Param Miner, and others. The main window is divided into several panes. The top pane shows a table of intercepted HTTP requests, filtered to hide CSS, image, and general binary content. The table has columns for #, Host, Method, URL, Params, Edited, Status, Length, MIME type, Extension, and Title. The selected request (1893) is a GET request to https://hackcon.org/modules/FrontPage/output/feed3.xml. Below the table, the 'Request' pane shows the raw HTTP request details, including headers like Host: hackcon.org, Cookie: PHPSESSID=ej6qnp0nnpvqlh8v3s3no4cb16, and User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 10.0; Win64; x64) AppleWebKit/537.36 (KHTML, like Gecko) Chrome/109.0.5414.120 Safari/537.36. The 'Response' pane shows the raw HTTP response details, including status 200 OK, Date: Fri, 27 Jan 2023 22:02:26 GMT, and Content-Type: application/xml.



# Burp Extensions

## Must have

- 🕒 Active Scan ++
- 🕒 Param Miner
- 🕒 Backslash Powered Scanner
- 🕒 Taborator

## Nice to have

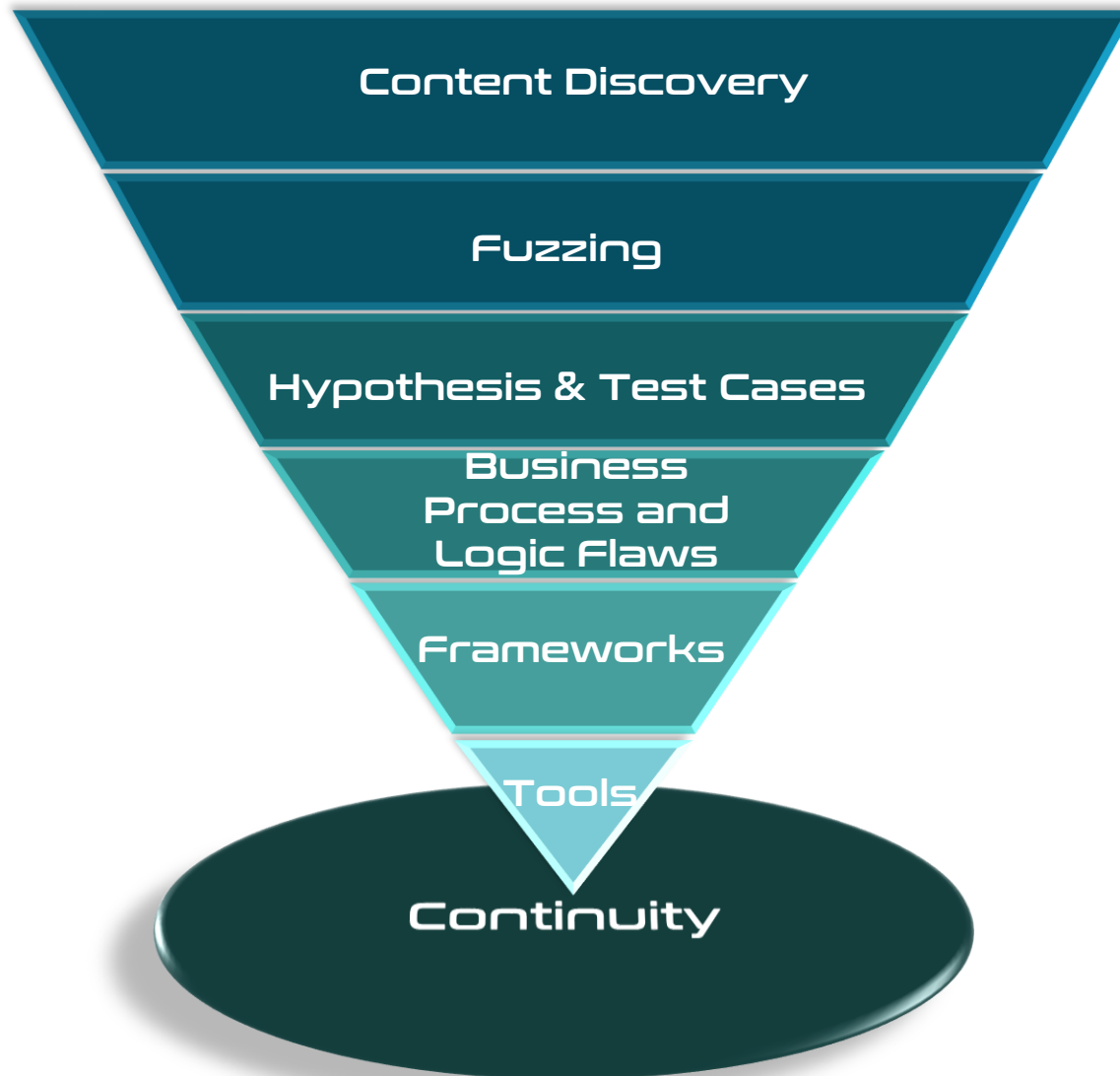
- 🕒 Turbo Intruder
- 🕒 Software Vulnerability Scanner
- 🕒 Authorize
- 🕒 Collaborator Everywhere

## Honorable Mentions

- 🕒 Freddy, deserialization scanner
- 🕒 NTLM Challenge Decoder
- 🕒 GraphQL raider
- 🕒 Retire.js
- 🕒 JSON Web Tokens
- 🕒 Additional Scanner Checks

# Finding Vulnerabilities Process Pyramid

Fully test the scope, every script and input



## Producing High Value Penetration Tests

Reliable and consistent testing is important, and not relying on a single individual's skills and efforts to complete a penetration test helps ensure the highest levels of standards.



### Team Based Effort

Penetration Testing is a team effort, not an individual effort. Utilize a team to maximize the penetration test efforts.



### Thoroughly Map Attack Surface

Leave no stone untouched. Many vulnerabilities are found in the "paths least travelled". Fully explore!



### Reporting

Document findings, process, discrepancies and hypothesis. It will be useful now and later.



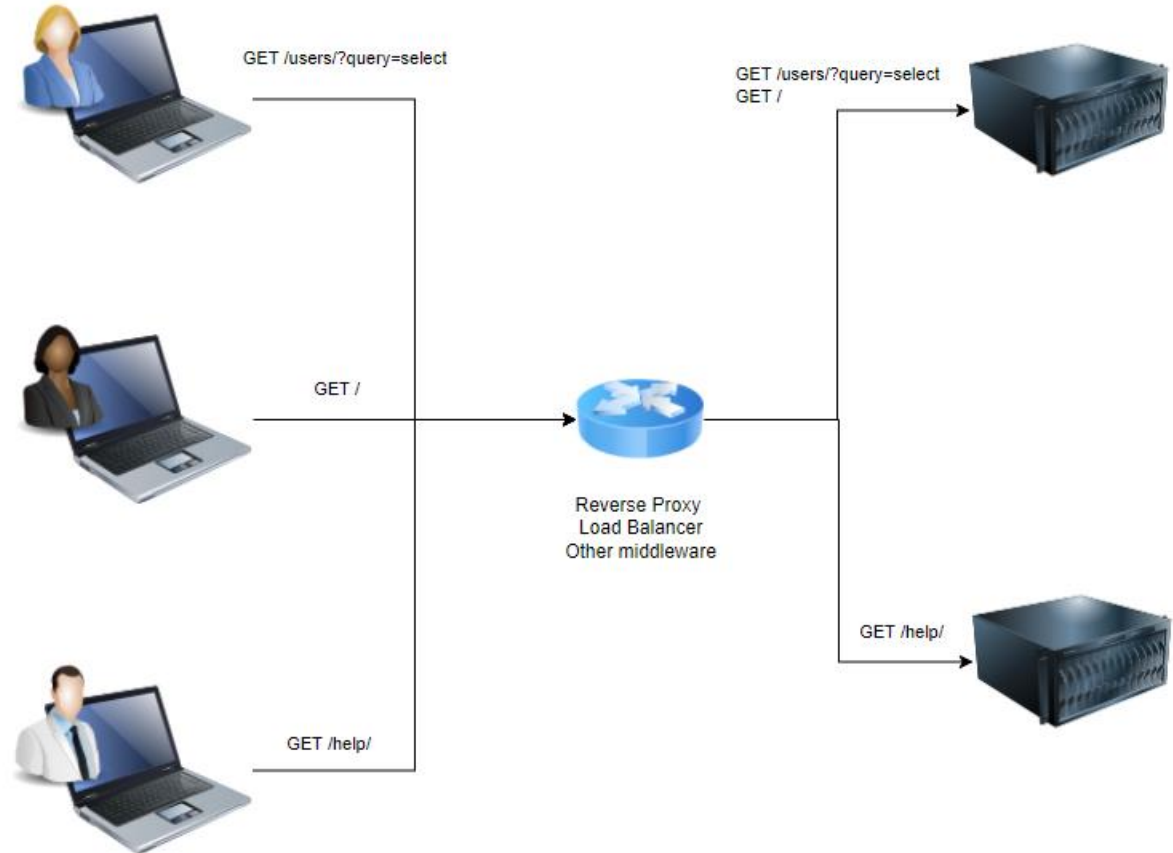
### Hypothesis and Knowledge Sharing

A team is stronger. Produce hypothesis to uncover potential attacks across all layers. Strengthen the team knowledge by working as one.



# Platform Distinctions

- A web application may have several “platform distinctions”
  - Load-balancers may balance on an endpoint
  - Reverse proxies does the same
- Do your best if the target is split into different platforms
  - Each platform distinction should receive full test process



Content Discovery





# Goal: Find Everything

Content Discovery

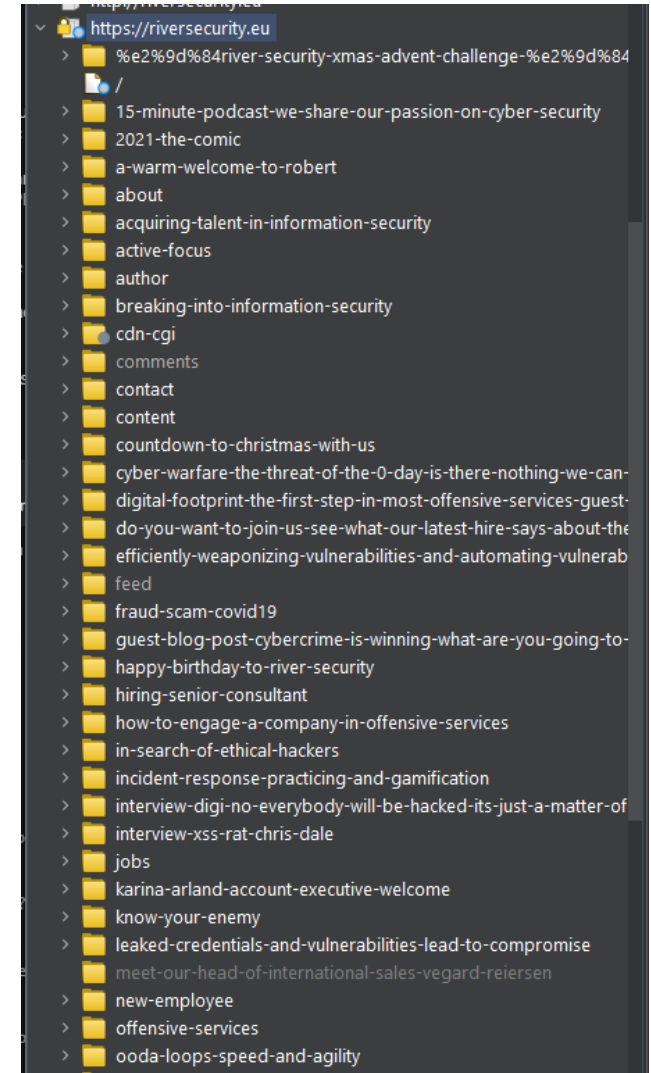
- i. Map Browsable Attack Surface**
- ii. Find Unlinked Content & Params**
- iii. Repeat for each `Platform Distinctions` of the application**

Leave no stone unturned. Many vulnerabilities are found in the "paths least travelled". Fully explore!



# Map Browsable Attack Surface

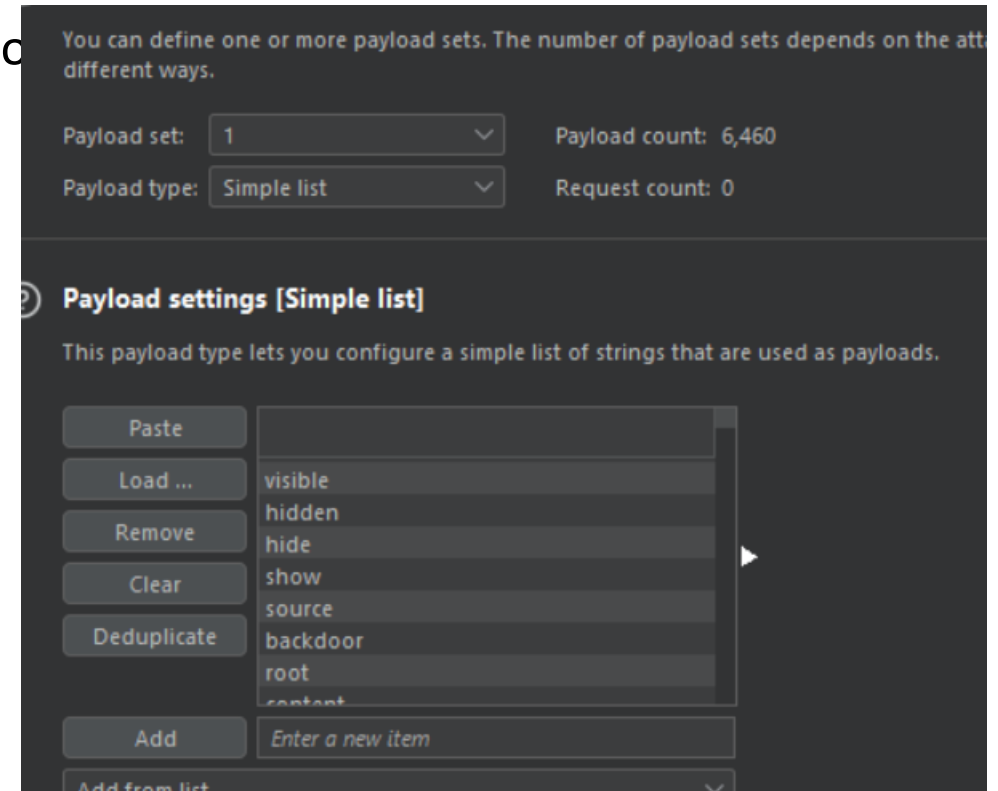
- Browse the entire application, discover all browsable content
  - Click
  - Use
  - Learn
- Use the Burp Suite Crawl feature on the top level of the application.
  - Has decent support for SPA as of Burp Suite v. >2
  - Helps build a complete sitemap
  - Use most complete configuration, which is the slowest
- For JavaScript, extract file paths and references.
  - CyberChef extract file paths module
  - GAP Burp Plugin
  - JSParser





# Find Unlinked Content

- Fuzz **verbs** and **functionality**, find more content
  - For functionality such as e.g. `/?action=showUser&id=123` , try fuzzing the verb (i.e. show) with words like:
    - Add, delete, update and so on... i.e. making actions
- Useful wordlists inside of Burp:
  - Server-side variable names
  - Form Field values
  - Form Field names







# Find Unlinked Content

- Use and create wordlists based on target functionality
  - Example: A website relevant to *PDF's*
- `grep -aEirh '^pdf.*' * | sort | uniq`

```
chris@LAPTOP-2RRCM307:/mnt/d/riversec-repos/wordlists-discovery$ grep -aEirh '^pdf.*' *
pdf
pdf
pdf bcd1
pdf%20files
pdf-32x32
pdf-40x40.png.html
pdf-accept
pdf-analyser
pdf-and-ppt-viewer
pdf-annotation-zone.html
pdf-api
pdf-api2
pdf-as-background.html
pdf-as-image-landscape.html
pdf-as-image.html
pdf-as-tiled-background.html
pdf-au
pdf-base-footer.html
pdf-base-header.html
pdf-base.html
pdf-behavior.html
pdf-beta.html
pdf-bg
pdf-book.html
pdf-books
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Name	Status	Date modified	Type	Size
1.compilations	✓	21/09/2023 5:28 pm	File folder	
assetnote	✓	21/06/2023 8:46 pm	File folder	
disney	✓	21/06/2023 8:46 pm	File folder	
flintstones	✓	21/06/2023 8:46 pm	File folder	
general purpose	✓	21/06/2023 8:46 pm	File folder	
knowledge-base	✓	21/06/2023 8:46 pm	File folder	
Languages	✓	21/06/2023 8:46 pm	File folder	
LordOfTheRings	✓	21/06/2023 8:46 pm	File folder	
names	✓	21/06/2023 8:46 pm	File folder	
recon	✓	21/06/2023 8:46 pm	File folder	
stop-words	✓	21/06/2023 8:46 pm	File folder	
web-discovery	✓	21/06/2023 8:46 pm	File folder	
wikipedia	✓	21/06/2023 8:46 pm	File folder	
years and dates	✓	21/06/2023 8:46 pm	File folder	
.gitignore	✓	27/02/2022 6:24 pm	Git Ignore Source ...	1 KB
.net-extensions.txt	✓	27/02/2022 6:24 pm	TXT File	1 KB
.net-versions.txt	✓	27/02/2022 6:24 pm	TXT File	1 KB
3char-ext.txt	✓	27/02/2022 6:24 pm	TXT File	86 KB
31337_speak.txt	✓	27/02/2022 6:24 pm	TXT File	2,842 KB
actor-givenname.txt	✓	27/02/2022 6:24 pm	TXT File	68 KB
actor-names.txt	✓	27/02/2022 6:24 pm	TXT File	219 KB
actor-surname.txt	✓	27/02/2022 6:24 pm	TXT File	162 KB



# Verb Example

## /?page=872

Content Discovery

The screenshot shows the Burp Suite interface with the following details:

- Window title: 26. Intruder attack of https://riversecurity.eu - Temporary attack - Not saved to project file
- Menu: Attack, Save, Columns
- Tab: Results
- Filter: Showing all items
- Table with columns: Request, Payload, Status, Error, Timeout, Length, Comment
- Highlighted row (index 40):

Request	Payload	Status	Error	Timeout	Length	Comment
34	login	200	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	58525	
35	search	200	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	58523	
36	content	200	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	58547	
37	comment	200	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	58541	
38	step	200	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	58527	
39	ajax	200	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	58521	
40	debug	200	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	58523	
41	state	200	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	58457	
42	query	200	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	58521	
43	f	200	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	58521	
44	error	200	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	58517	
45	save	200	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	58521	
46	sort	200	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	58525	
47	format	200	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	58457	
48	tab	200	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	58523	
49	offset	200	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	58529	
50	edit	200	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	58523	
- Request details (Raw):

```
1 GET /?debugPage=872 HTTP/2
2 Host: riversecurity.eu
3 Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate
4 Accept:
text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,image/avif,image/webp,image/apng,*/*;q=0.8,application/signed-exchange;v=b3;q=0.7
```



# Content Discovery



Content Discovery

Content discovery: vg.no

Control **Config** Site map

### Target

Define the start directory for the content discovery session, and whether files or directories should be targeted.

Start directory:

Discover:

- Files and directories
- Files only
- Directories only

Recurse subdirectories

Max depth:

### Filenames

Configure the sources Burp should use for generating filenames to test.

- Built-in short file list
- Built-in short directory list
- Built-in long file list
- Built-in long directory list
- Custom file list:  
 - Custom directory list:  
 - Names observed in use on target site
- Derivations based on discovered items

### File Extensions

These settings control how the discovery session adds file extensions to file stems that are listed in the target site's directory.

- Test these extensions:
- Test all extensions observed in use on target site, except for:
- Test these variant extensions on discovered files:
- Test file stems with no extension





# OpenAPI / Swagger Specs

- If we can cheat, we should!
- Paints a picture of what the developers **intended** to include
- Still requires us to do content discovery

The screenshot displays the SwaggerHub interface for an API titled "pet" (Everything about your Pets). The API version is 1.0.0 and is published as OAS3. The interface shows a list of endpoints with their respective HTTP methods and descriptions:

- POST** /pet: Add a new pet to the store
- PUT** /pet: Update an existing pet
- GET** /pet/findByStatus: Finds Pets by status
- GET** /pet/findByTags: Finds Pets by tags
- GET** /pet/{petId}: Find pet by ID
- POST** /pet/{petId}: Updates a pet in the store with form data
- DELETE** /pet/{petId}: Deletes a pet
- POST** /pet/{petId}/uploadImage: uploads an image

Below the "pet" endpoints, there is a section for "store" (Access to Petstore orders). The interface also includes a search bar, a "Show Comments" button, and a "Save" button indicating the spec is valid.



# Unlinked Parameters

- Discover if there are any unlinked parameters
  - Particularly important on all Platform Distinctions
  - Any change based on a new parameter is interesting
  - GET, POST, Cookies, Headers
- Headers might bypass authentication
- Might find attack surface
- **Param miner extension!**

## Content Discovery

#	Task	Time	Action	Issue type	Ho
225	0	23:48:45 3 Feb 2023	Issue found	Secret input: url	https://riverse
224	0	23:48:34 3 Feb 2023	Issue found	Secret input: url	https://riverse
223	0	23:48:33 3 Feb 2023	Issue found	Secret input: url	https://riverse
222	0	23:48:16 3 Feb 2023	Issue found	Secret input: url	https://riverse

Advisory	Request 1	Response 1	Request 2	Response 2
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**Secret input: header** Compare responses

Issue: **Secret input: header**  
Severity: **Medium**  
Confidence: **Firm**  
Host: **https://riversecurity.eu**  
Path: **/**

**Note:** This issue was generated by a Burp extension.

**Issue detail**  
Unlinked parameter identified.

**Successful probes**

Found unlinked param: x-requested-with	x-requested-with	x-requested-withpevpfq
tag_names	X	Y
word_count	2910	2975
<script	22	23
content_length	X	*Y*
limited_body_content	X	*Y*



# OSINT to Support

Content Discovery

- WaybackRobots.py
- WaybackURLs.py
- Dorking
- Other OSINT sources

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May 13 - 20, 2001

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June 20 - 23, 2001

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July 30 - August 3, 2001  
[Call for Papers](#)

[SANS Parliament Hill](#) Ottawa, Canada  
August 8 - 17, 2001  
Info. available soon

[SANS Network Security 2001](#)  
San Diego, CA October, 2001  
Brochure available online July 2001

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February 27 - March 2, 2001

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## Resources

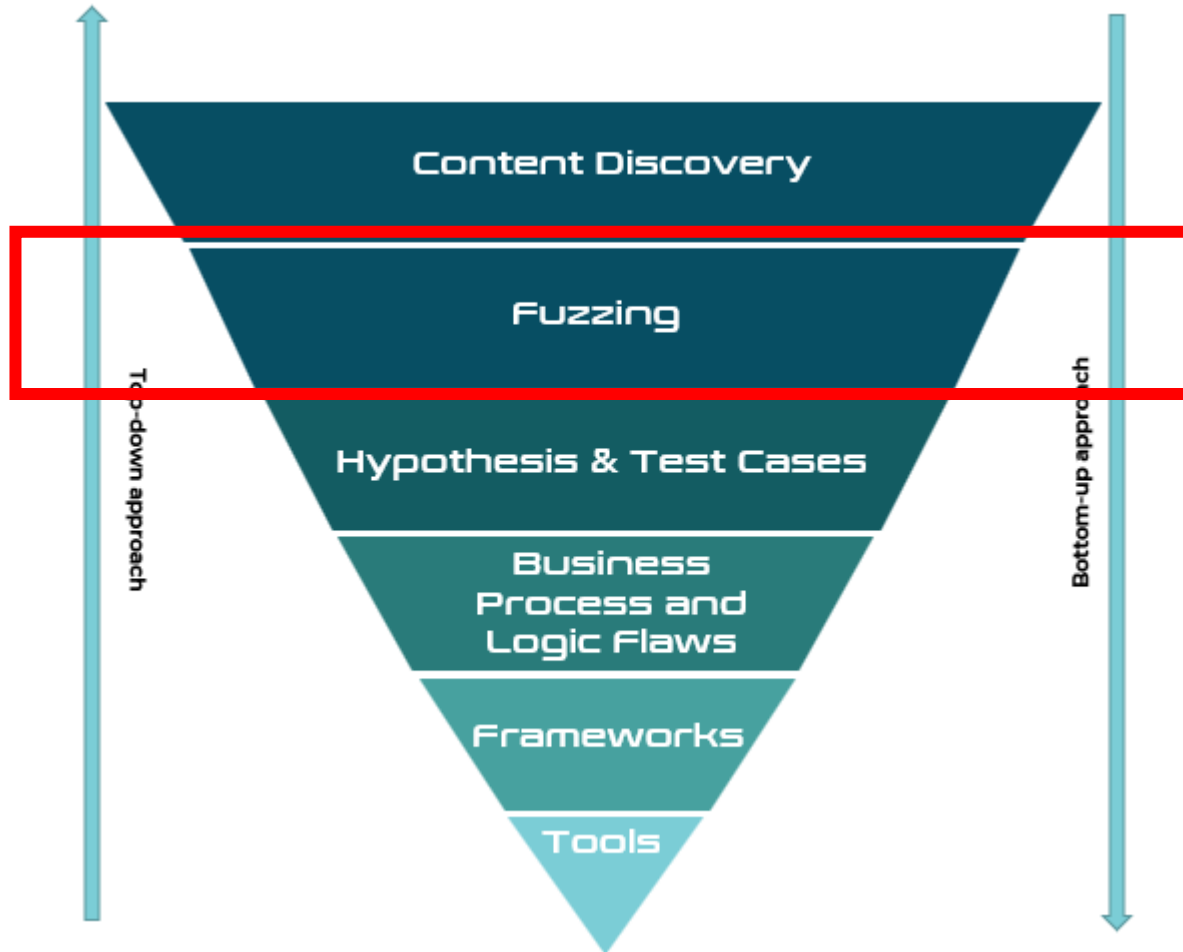
**NEW!** [Late Arriving SANS @ Night Presentation from SANS Security 2001 \(Programming Perl on NT by Harlan Carvey\)](#)





# Fuzzing

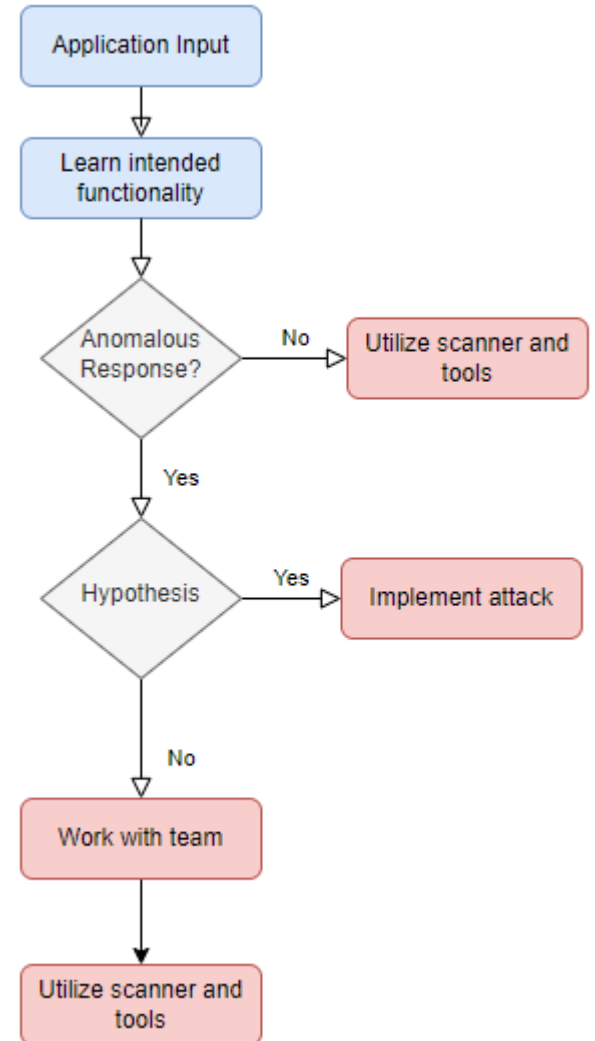
Find bytes and input producing different/unexpected results





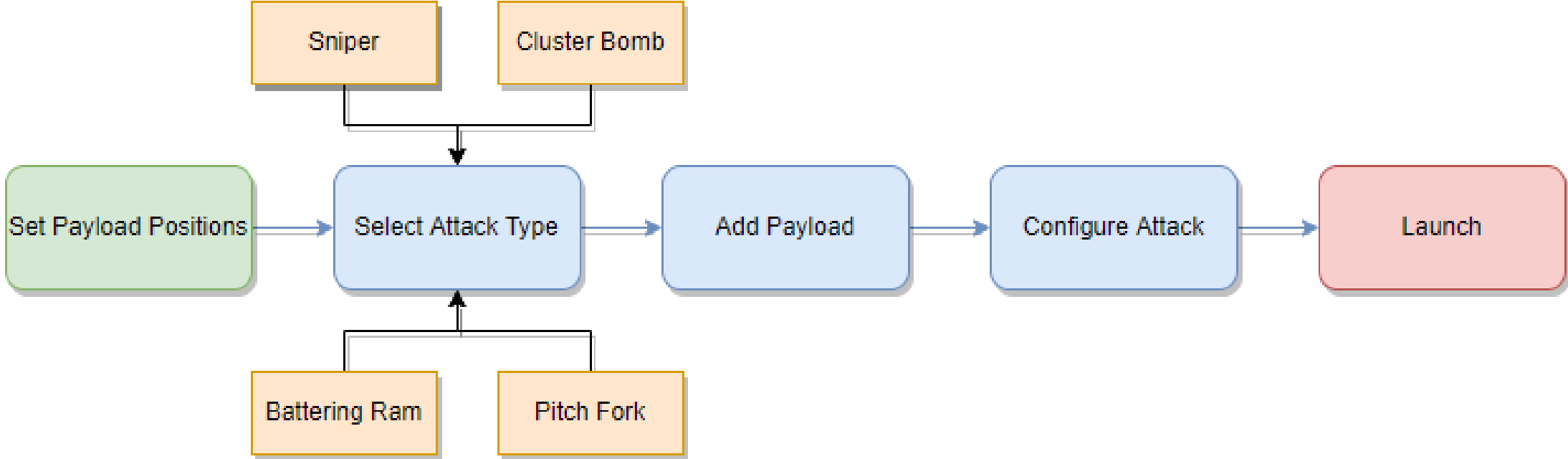
# Fuzzing Bytes 101

1. For-each script and input
2. Send their script to repeater / play with it in browser
  - Determine properly how the functionality works and try related attack
3. Send to intruder and fuzz
  - %00 to %FF
    - URL Decode targets Middleware
    - URL Encode targets App
  - Anomalies, discrepancies, interesting results?
    - Create Hypothesis
    - Work with team if you cannot produce hypothesis
  - Use wordlists
4. Utilize vulnerability scanner
  - Backslash Powered Scanner and other extensions will also aid here.
5. Scanner results? Update methodology





# Fuzzing



Fuzzing is not one size fits all, our goal is to produce interesting results. Be creative!



# Attack Types

- Position – This is a variable where you want to inject a payload of a certain kind, e.g. a word a wordlist.
- Sniper – Loop a payload through all positions
- Cluster Bomb – Loop through multiple payloads through all positions, like nested for loops.
- Battering Ram – Push through one payload into each position at the same time.
- Pitch Fork – Apply a set of payloads for each position which is iterated at the same time





# Asdf.aspx produces 500 server error



Fuzzing

### Request

Pretty Raw Hex

```
1 GET /asdf.aspx HTTP/2
2 Host: [REDACTED]
3 Cookie: [REDACTED]
4 Sec-Ch-Ua: [REDACTED]
5 Sec-Ch-Ua-Mobile: ?0
6 Sec-Ch-Ua-Platform: "Windows"
7 Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1
8 User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 10.0; Win64; x64) AppleWebKit/537.36 (KHTML, like Gecko)
  Chrome/109.0.5414.120 Safari/537.36
9 Accept:
  text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,image/avif,image/webp,image/apng,*/*;q=
  =0.8,application/signed-exchange;v=b3;q=0.9
10 Sec-Fetch-Site: none
11 Sec-Fetch-Mode: navigate
12 Sec-Fetch-User: ?1
13 Sec-Fetch-Dest: document
14 Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate
15 Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.9
16
17
```

### Response

Pretty Raw Hex Render

```
1 HTTP/2 500 Internal Server Error
2 Cache-Control: private
3 Content-Type: text/html; charset=utf-8
4 Server: Microsoft-IIS/10.0
5 X-Frame-Options: SAMEORIGIN [REDACTED]
6 X-AspNetMvc-Version: 5.2 [REDACTED]
7 Set-Cookie: sessi [REDACTED] path=/; secure; SameSite=None
8 X-Content-Type-Options: nosniff [REDACTED]
9 X-Powered-By: ASP.NET
10 Strict-Transport-Security: max-age=63072000; includeSubDomains; preload
11 Content-Security-Policy: default-src 'unsafe-eval' 'unsafe-inline' 'self' https: data::
  frame-a [REDACTED]
12 Content [REDACTED]

'self';
13 Date: Thu, 26 Jan 2023 23:42:52 GMT
14
15
16
17 <!DOCTYPE html PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD XHTML 1.0 Transitional//EN"
  "http://www.w3.org/TR/xhtml1/DTD/xhtml1-transitional.dtd">
18
19 <html xmlns="http://www.w3.org/1999/xhtml">
20   <head>
21     <title>
22
23     </title>
24     <link href="css/default.css" rel="stylesheet" type="text/css" />
  </head>
  <body>
  <form name="form1" method="post" action="[REDACTED]" id="form1">
```

0 matches

0 matches



# Bytes Examples

Fuzzing

Payload here

Request	Response
1 GET /asdf.aspx HTTP/2	
2 Headers	
3 Cookies	
4 Sec-Ch-Ua: "Not?A_Brand";v="8", "Chromium";v="108"	
5 Sec-Ch-Ua-Mobile: ?0	
6 Sec-Ch-Ua-Platform: "Windows"	
7 Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1	
8 User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 10.0; Win64; x64) AppleWebKit/537.36 (KHTML, like Gecko) Chrome/108.0.5359.125 Safari/537.36	
9 Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,image/avif,image/webp,image/apng,*/*;q=0.8,application/signed-exchange;v=b3;q=0.9	
10 Sec-Fetch-Site: none	
11 Sec-Fetch-Mode: navigate	
12 Sec-Fetch-User: ?1	
13 Sec-Fetch-Dest: document	
14 Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate	
15 Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.9	
16 Connection: close	
17	
18	



Attack Save Columns

Results Positions Payloads Resource Pool Options

Filter: Hiding 4xx responses

Request	Payload	Status	Error	Timeout	Length ^
38	%25	500	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2179
39	%26	500	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2179
43	%2A	500	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2179
49	%3A	500	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2179
51	%3C	500	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2179
53	%3E	500	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2179
54	%3F	500	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2179
0		500	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2325
33	%20	500	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2325
34	%21	500	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2325
35	%22	500	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2325
36	%23	500	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2325
37	%24	500	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2325
40	%27	500	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2325
41	%28	500	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2325
42	%29	500	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2325
45	%2C	500	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2325
46	%2D	500	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2325
47	%2E	500	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2325
50	%3B	500	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2325
52	%3D	500	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2325
55	%40	500	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2325
56	%5B	500	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2325
58	%5D	500	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2325

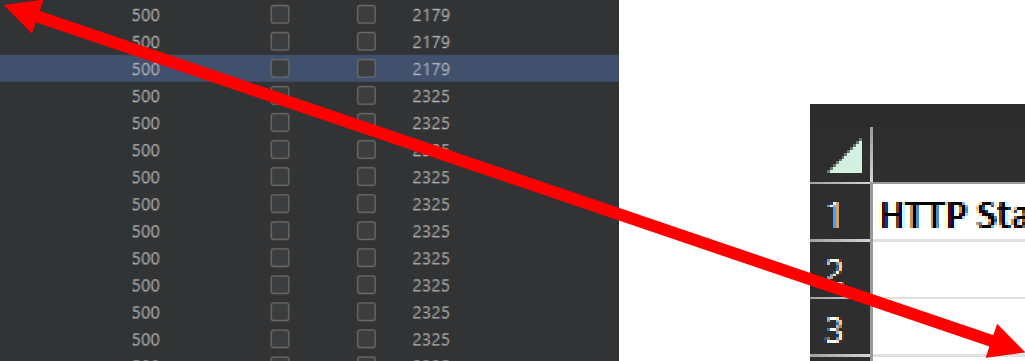
Request Response

Pretty Raw Hex Render

```
1 HTTP/2 500 Internal Server Error
2 Cache-Control: private
3 Content-Type: text/html; charset=utf-8
4 Server: Microsoft-IIS/10.0
5 X-Content-Type-Options: nosniff
6 X-Powered-By: ASP.NET
7 Strict-Transport-Security: max-age=63072000; includeSubDomains; preload
8 Content-Security-Policy: default-src 'unsafe-eval' 'unsafe-inline' 'self' http
9 Content-Security-Policy-Report-Only: default-src 'unsafe-eval' 'unsafe-inline
  https://www.google.com https://maps.googleap
  https://maps.gstatic.com; frame-ancestors 'self'; form-action
10 Date: Fri, 03 Feb 2023 14:13:31 GMT
11
12
13
14 <!DOCTYPE html PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD XHTML 1.0 Transitional//EN" "http://www.w3
15
16 <html xmlns="http://www.w3.org/1999/xhtml">
17 <head>
18 <title>
19 </title>
  <link href="css/default.css" rel="stylesheet" type="text/css" />
  </head>
```

# Fuzzing

	A	B	C	D	E
1	HTTP Status Code	Byte	URL decoded	Reasoning	Comment
2		500	%25	%	URL
3		500	%26	&	URL
4		500	%2A	*	FILE Wilcard
5		500	%3A	:	FILE ADS
6		500	%3E	>	FILE Redirect
7		500	%3F	?	URL
8		500	%3C	<	FILE Redirect
9		404	%2B	+	URL





# Second example: A Single Character

Fuzzing

The screenshot displays the Burp Suite interface during a fuzzing session. The left sidebar contains configuration panels for Payload Sets, Payload Options (Simple list), Payload Processing, and Payload Encoding. The main window shows a list of requests, with request 93 selected, displaying its response in HTML format. The response shows a warning message and a link to view source code.

**Request Log:**

Request	Payload	Status	Error	Timeout	Length	Comment
85	T	200	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1101	
86	U	200	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1101	
87	V	200	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1101	
88	W	200	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1101	
89	X	200	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1101	
90	Y	200	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1101	
91	Z	200	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1101	
92	[	200	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1101	
93	\	200	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1263	
94	]	200	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1101	
95	^	200	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1101	
96	-	200	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1101	
97	`	200	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1101	
98	a	200	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1101	
99	b	200	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1101	
100	c	200	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1101	

**Response (HTML):**

```
var wechallinfo = {
  "level": "natas14", "pass": "qPazSJBmrmU7UQJv17MHk1PGC4Dx2MEP"
};
</script>
</head>
<body>
  <h1>
    natas14
  </h1>
  <div id="content">
    <br />
    <b>
      Warning
    </b>
    : mysqli_num_rows() expects parameter 1 to be mysqli_result, bool given in <b>
      /var/www/natas/natas14/index.php
    </b>
    on line <b>
      24
    </b>
    <br />
    Access denied!<br>
    <div id="viewsource">
      <a href="index-source.html">
        View sourcecode
      </a>
    </div>
  </div>
</body>
</html>
```





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# Occam's Razor

Among competing hypothesis, the one with the fewest hypothesis is often correct.



# Avoiding Rabbit Holes

- A rabbit hole is: A potential exploit condition which will take up a lot of time to research.
- Prioritize “**width**” rather than “**depth**”
  - Focus on rabbit holes with the time left after the scope is covered
- Structure your work and scope
  - Duration of the engagement vs. How much time do we have left?
  - Hours spent – Work left
    - Each hour spent impacts the total value spent on the engagement
  - How many scripts, functions and other things do we have left to test?
  - **Do we need to get someone else to help us conclude a rabbit hole?**
- Large applications: split into smaller parts to help team prioritize



# Using Wordlists

With our fuzzing efforts, wordlists can help produce valuable results, e.g., anomalies in cases of:

- Different HTML or HTTP results
- Timing differences
- External server interaction

Use wordlists that help you target different technology and hypothesis.





Great starting points:

- SecLists: <https://github.com/danielmiessler/SecLists>
- AssetNote: <https://wordlists.assetnote.io/>

Take time to learn what these wordlists contain; it will help you learn when to apply them

- Which wordlists requires placeholders?
- Which ones are already URL encoded?

Fuzzing			
Name	Date modified	Type	Size
1. compilations	25/06/2023 11:53 pm	File folder	
command-injection	25/06/2023 11:53 pm	File folder	
control-characters	25/06/2023 11:53 pm	File folder	
elasticSearch	25/06/2023 11:53 pm	File folder	
file-upload	25/06/2023 11:53 pm	File folder	
format-strings	25/06/2023 11:53 pm	File folder	
html-javascript	25/06/2023 11:53 pm	File folder	
http	25/06/2023 11:53 pm	File folder	
integer-overflow	25/06/2023 11:53 pm	File folder	
ldap	25/06/2023 11:53 pm	File folder	
lfi	25/06/2023 11:53 pm	File folder	
no-sql	25/06/2023 11:53 pm	File folder	
path-traversal	25/06/2023 11:53 pm	File folder	
polyglot	25/06/2023 11:53 pm	File folder	
programming	25/06/2023 11:53 pm	File folder	
redirects	25/06/2023 11:53 pm	File folder	
server-side-include	25/06/2023 11:53 pm	File folder	
sql-injection	25/06/2023 11:53 pm	File folder	
xml	08/10/2023 12:59 pm	File folder	
xpath	25/06/2023 11:53 pm	File folder	
xss	02/10/2023 6:03 pm	File folder	
README.md	25/06/2023 11:53 pm	Markdown Source ...	1 KB

-  file-ul-filter-bypass-microsoft-asp-PH-UE.txt
-  file-ul-filter-bypass-ms-php.txt
-  file-ul-filter-bypass-x-platform-generic-UE.txt
-  file-ul-filter-bypass-x-platform-php-PH.txt



# Use Collaborator with placeholders

Fuzzing

- Many wordlists rely on external server interaction.
- Burp Suite has a built in external interaction monitor
- Taborator plugin makes for quick access to Collaborator
  - Or use interactsh <https://github.com/projectdiscovery/interactsh>

#	Time	Type	IP	Hostname	Comment
1	2023-Mar-28 15:44:22.374 UTC	DNS	74.125.112.5	2x08u1j1rSaiXKXrpO1h619zMqSGG5...	
2	2023-Mar-28 15:44:22.385 UTC	DNS	74.125.74.8	2x08U1j1rSaIXlxRPo1h619ZmQsgg5...	
3	2023-Mar-28 15:44:22.435 UTC	DNS	172.217.37.140	2x08u1j1rsaixkxrpo1h619zmqsgg5.o...	
4	2023-Mar-28 15:44:22.607 UTC	HTTP	62.92.21.73	2x08u1j1rsaixkxrpo1h619zmqsgg5.o...	
5	2023-Mar-28 15:44:22.608 UTC	HTTP	62.92.21.73	2x08u1j1rsaixkxrpo1h619zmqsgg5.o...	
6	2023-Mar-28 15:44:23.002 UTC	HTTP	62.92.21.73	2x08u1j1rsaixkxrpo1h619zmqsgg5.o...	
7	2023-Mar-28 15:44:23.002 UTC	HTTP	62.92.21.73	2x08u1j1rsaixkxrpo1h619zmqsgg5.o...	





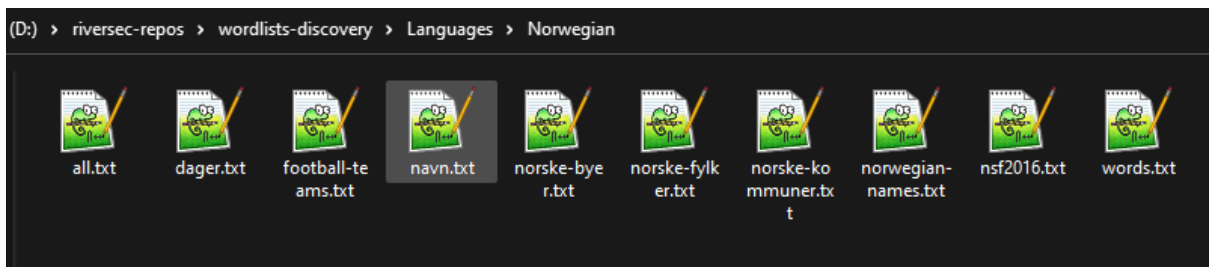
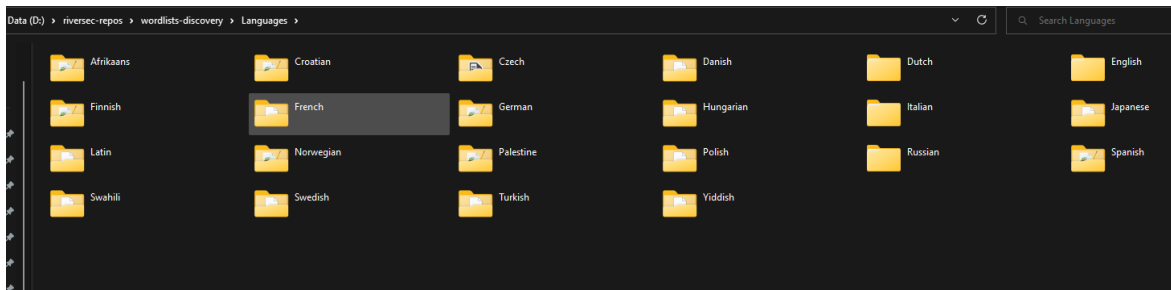
# Building Good Wordlists

- Roy Solberg's CeWLer
  - Filter away stop-words
- Burp Suite GAP extension
- URL Shorteners bruteforce results
- http\_disallowed\_entries\_CiscoTopMillion
- Wiki's are a good source of wordlist

## Fuzzing

The screenshot shows the Burp Suite GAP extension configuration window. It is divided into several sections:

- Select param types you want to retrieve:**
  - REQUEST PARAMETERS:** Query string params, Message body params, Param attribute within a multi-part message body, JSON params, Cookie names, Items of data within an XML structure, Value of tag attributes within XML structure.
  - RESPONSE PARAMETERS:** JSON params, Value of tag attributes within XML structure, Name and Id attributes of HTML input fields, Javascript variables and constants, Name attribute of Meta tags, Params from links found.
- Output options:**
  - Include the list of common params in list (e.g. used for redirects?)
  - Build concatenated query string with param value (set to XNLV)
  - Include URL path words in parameter list?
  - Include site map endpoints in link list?
  - Auto save output to directory (set to C:\BugBounty)
- Potential parameters found - 56 unique:** A list of parameters including RelayState, active, admin, callback, cancelURL, cancelUrl, cancel\_url, debug, dest, destination, forward, forward\_url, forwardurl.
- Potential links found - 41 unique:** A list of URLs including /api/v1/application/n4igw1aat, /btntjs, /gb-en/, /gtm.js, /js/index.js, /offline.html, /static/uum-web-sdk/6.0/uumRemainingApi-v6.0.0-61f3a6a7.min.js, /sw.js, /uum/api/application/5b2ce30bd9a0bf285ac70c10/config/production, /uum/api/consent/supported/countries, /uum/api/token/reobtain, /v3/config/pages.
- Link filter:** Includes checkboxes for Negative match and Case sensitive, and an Apply filter button.



```

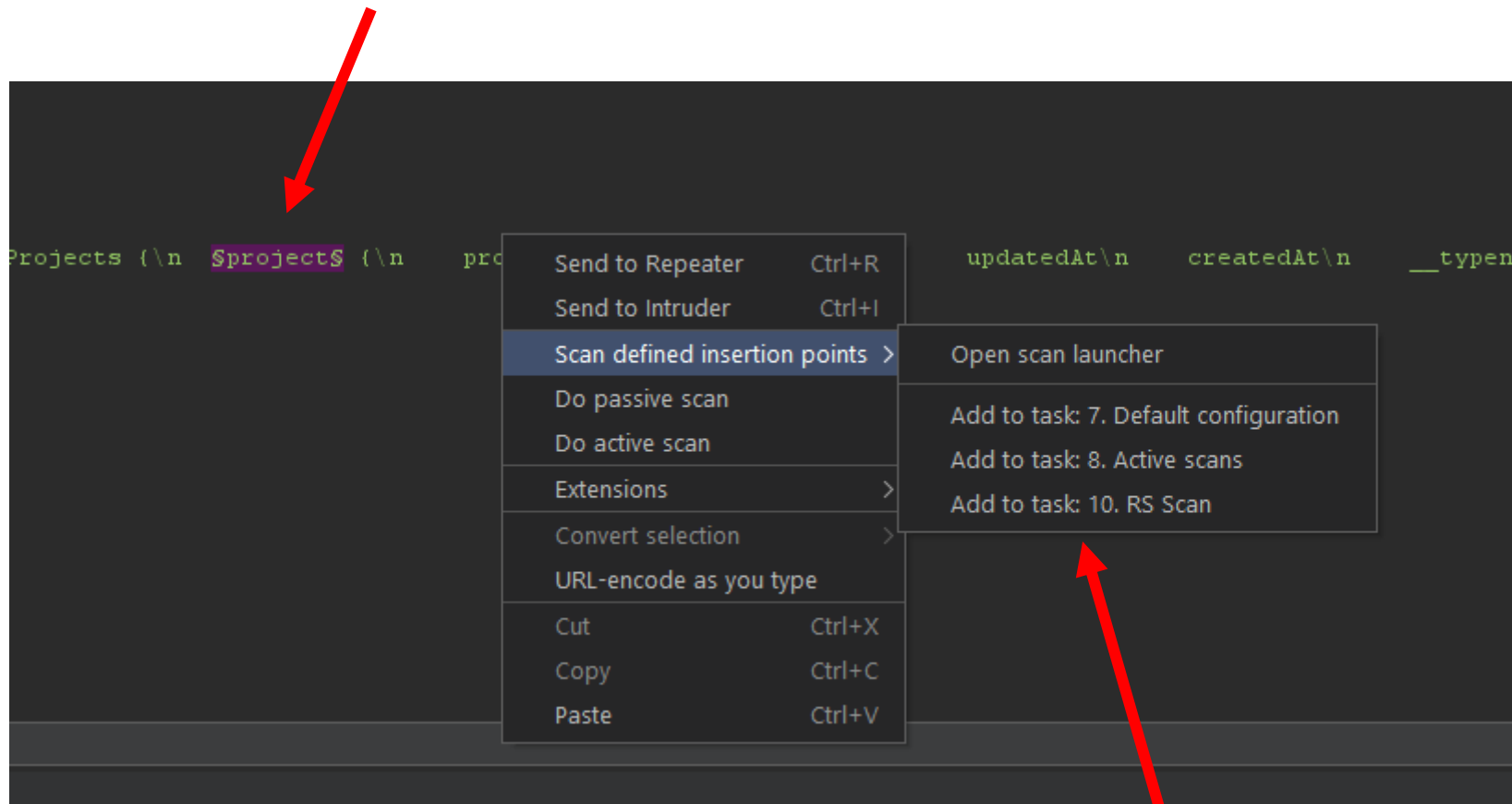
grep -aEirh "^api-co*" | tr '[:upper:]' '[:lower:]' | sort | uniq > /mnt/d/tmp/api-co.txt
grep -aEirh "^api-bc*" | tr '[:upper:]' '[:lower:]' | sort | uniq > /mnt/d/tmp/api-bc.txt
grep -aEirh "^extern*" | tr '[:upper:]' '[:lower:]' | sort | uniq > /mnt/d/tmp/extern.txt
grep -aEirh "^extern.*" | tr '[:upper:]' '[:lower:]' | sort | uniq > /mnt/d/tmp/extern.txt
grep -aEirh "^extern.*$" | tr '[:upper:]' '[:lower:]' | sort | uniq > /mnt/d/tmp/extern.txt
grep -aEirh "^besokr.*$" | tr '[:upper:]' '[:lower:]' | sort | uniq > /mnt/d/tmp/besokr.txt
grep -aEirh "^compan.*$" | tr '[:upper:]' '[:lower:]' | sort | uniq > /mnt/d/tmp/compan.txt
grep -aEirh "^daily.*$" | tr '[:upper:]' '[:lower:]' | sort | uniq > /mnt/d/tmp/daily.txt
grep -aEirh "^meetin.*$" | tr '[:upper:]' '[:lower:]' | sort | uniq > /mnt/d/tmp/meetin.txt
grep -aEirh "^flyerl.*$" | tr '[:upper:]' '[:lower:]' | sort | uniq > /mnt/d/tmp/flyerl.txt

```



# Scan with plugins and web app

Fuzzing



- 🕒 Get a second opinion from your vulnerability scanner
- 🕒 In this case, Burp Suite is tasked to scan the defined insert point `$project$`
- 🕒 Does scanner find something?
  - 🕒 Revisit methodology and ask yourself how you could improve it



# Review Logger 500 errors



Fuzzing

#	Time	Tool	Method	Host	Path	Query	Param count	Status	Length	Start response timer	Comment
33768	16:17:21 24 Mar 2023	Scanner	GET	[REDACTED]	/logout		2	500	1032	73	
33777	16:17:21 24 Mar 2023	Scanner	GET	[REDACTED]	/logout		2	500	1036	74	
33788	16:17:21 24 Mar 2023	Scanner	GET	[REDACTED]	/logout		2	500	1030	56	
33799	16:17:21 24 Mar 2023	Scanner	GET	[REDACTED]	/logout		2	500	1026	66	
33812	16:17:21 24 Mar 2023	Scanner	GET	[REDACTED]	/logout		2	500	1024	135	
33823	16:17:22 24 Mar 2023	Scanner	GET	[REDACTED]	/logout		2	500	1042	58	
33835	16:17:22 24 Mar 2023	Scanner	GET	[REDACTED]	/logout		2	500	1026	63	
33846	16:17:22 24 Mar 2023	Scanner	GET	[REDACTED]	/logout		2	500	1040	72	
33860	16:17:22 24 Mar 2023	Scanner	GET	[REDACTED]	/logout		2	500	1030	61	
33868	16:17:22 24 Mar 2023	Scanner	GET	[REDACTED]	/logout		2	500	1026	56	
33888	16:17:22 24 Mar 2023	Scanner	GET	[REDACTED]	/logout		2	500	1026	58	

- Review the request log
- Look for 500 Error Messages
- There could be potential for exploitation
- Once done, clear the log

### Request

Pretty Raw Hex

```

1 GET /logout HTTP/2
2 Host: [REDACTED]
3 Cookie: [REDACTED]
4 User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 10.0; Win64; x64; rv:109.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/112.0
5 Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,image/avif,image/webp,*/*;q=0.8
6 Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5
7 Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate
8 Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1
9 Sec-Fetch-Dest: document
10 Sec-Fetch-Mode: navigate
11 Sec-Fetch-Site: none
12 Sec-Fetch-User: ?1
13 Te: trailers
14
15

```

### Response

Pretty Raw Hex Render

```

1 HTTP/2 500 Internal Server Error
2 Date: Fri, 24 Mar 2023 15:17:21 GMT
3 Content-Type: text/html; charset=utf-8
4 X-Powered-By: Express
5 Content-Security-Policy: default-src 'none'
6 X-Content-Type-Options: nosniff
7 Set-Cookie: connect.sid=[REDACTED]
8 Expires=Sat, 25 Mar 2023 15:17:21 GMT; HttpOnly
9 CF-Cache-Status: DYNAMIC
10 Nel: {"success_fraction":0,"report_to":"cf-nel","max_age":604800}
11 Strict-Transport-Security: max-age=31536000
12 Server: cloudflare
13 CF-Ray: 7acfe16bdec81c18-AMS
14 Alt-Svc: h3=":443"; ma=86400, h3-29=":443"; ma=86400
15
16 <!DOCTYPE html>
17 <html lang="en">
18   <head>
19     <meta charset="utf-8">
20     <title>
21       Error
22     </title>
23   </head>
24   <body>
25     <pre>
26       Internal Server Error
27     </pre>
28   </body>
29 </html>

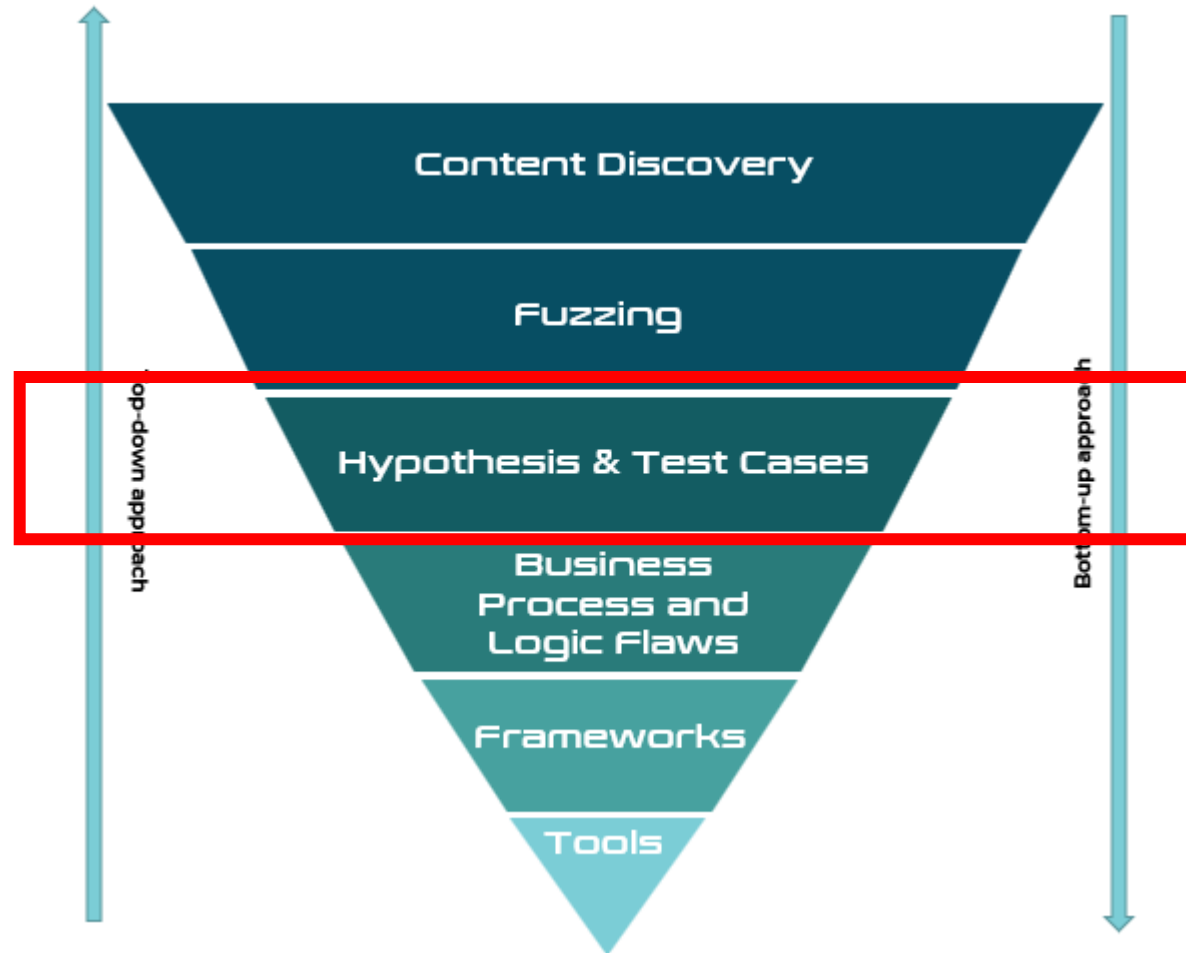
```



# Hypothesis and test cases

Be creative and utilize your team.

Test and conclude hypothesizes





# Utilize the Team

- Pen Testing is a team effort, not an individual effort.
- Utilize a team to maximize the penetration test efforts.
- Ensure you can work together on tackling breaking the application
- If you can't properly explain and create valid hypothesis
  - Ask your team
  - Work together (knowledge transfer)
- Source your rabbit holes to team members

## Hypothesis

I am seeing that : > < and \* are influencing file reads of the file server. I want to explore Local File Inclusion, SSRF and similar kinds of vulnerabilities

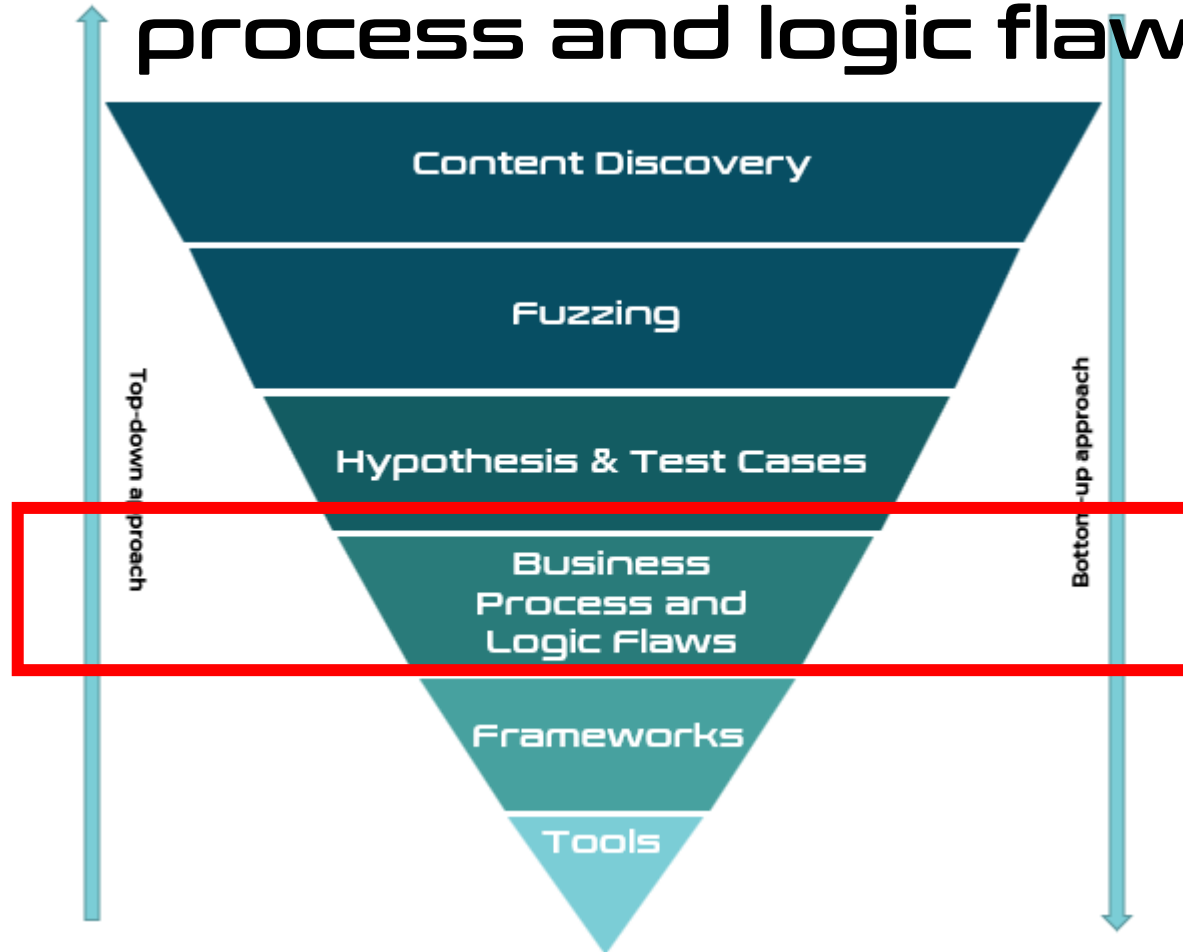
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3	500	%26	&	URL	
4	500	%2A	*	FILE	Wildcard
5	500	%3A	:	FILE	ADS
6	500	%3E	>	FILE	Redirect
7	500	%3F	?	URL	
8	500	%3C	<	FILE	Redirect
9	404	%2B	+	URL	





# Business Process and Logic Flaws

With extensive knowledge of the target, explore process and logic flaws





# Take a Step Back

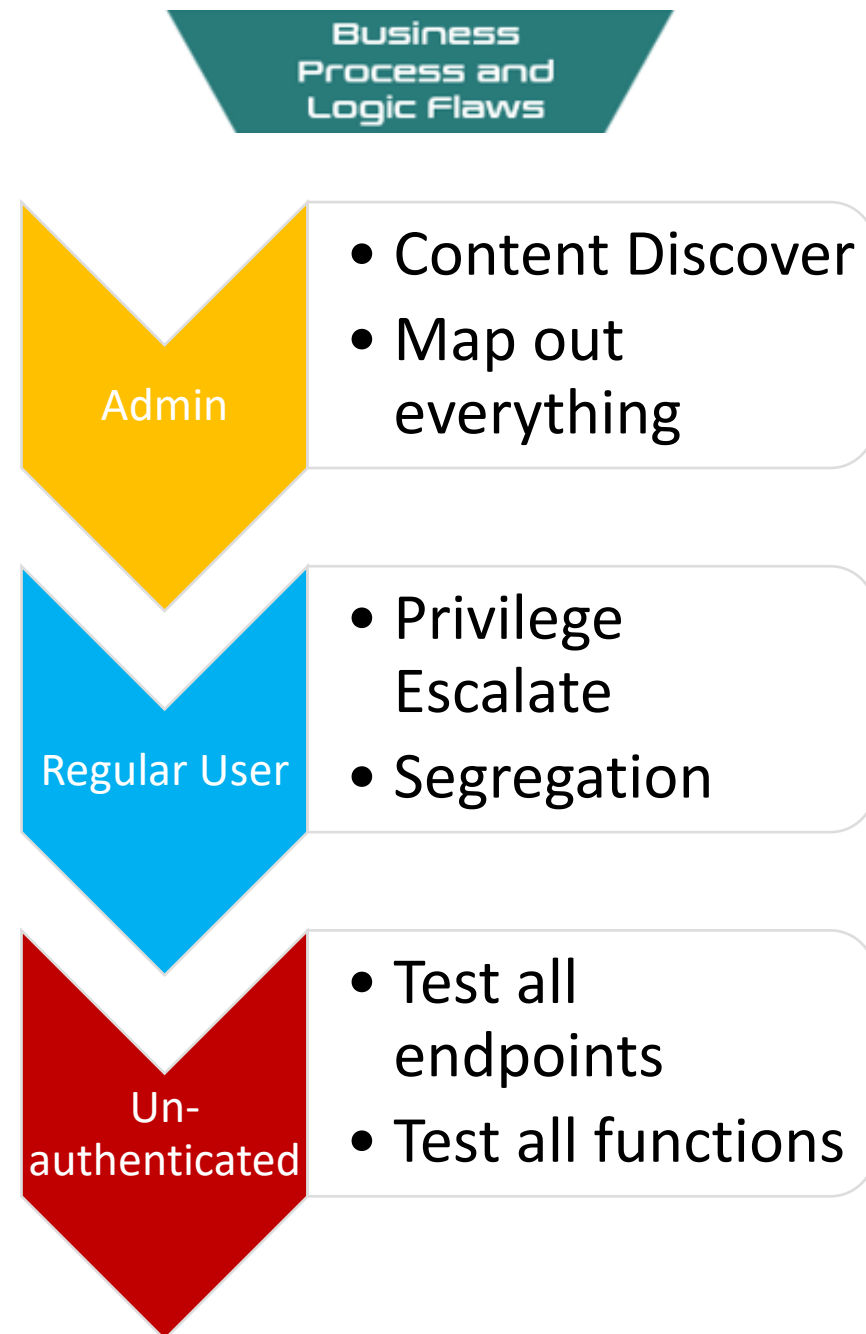
- Finding bugs and vulnerabilities often require you to think outside the box
- Work with team members – Explain the system to them
- Try produce hypothesis and test cases based on a short presentation by the primary tester
- Each system have different flows, attack vectors and challenges; brainstorm a little bit and you drastically increase the odds of success.





# Authentication Example

- Technically a part of discovery / scoping / planning
  - Pentesting is not a one-size fits all
  - Work with the customer to find THEIR needs
- Applications typically have different privileges levels:
  - Super Admin
  - Customer admin
  - User
  - Unauthenticated
- Regardless of the scope you have worked through with your customer, ask for super admin
  - Map out everything as super admin, you don't have to pentest it, but build overview of functionality
- Make sure customer admin, user and unauthenticated is secure, and provides segregation

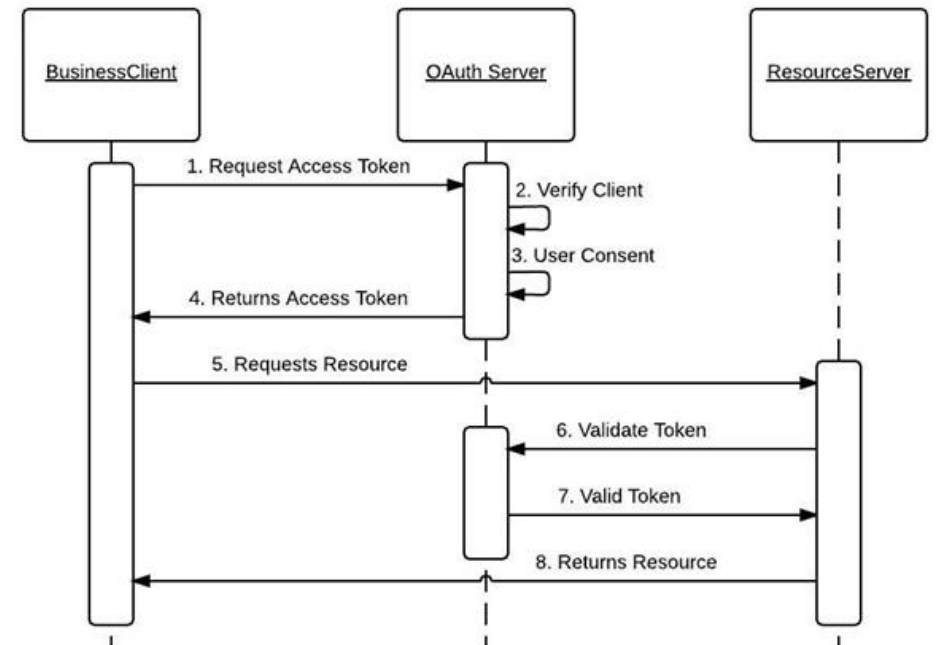




# Map Out Application Flows

Business  
Process and  
Logic Flaws

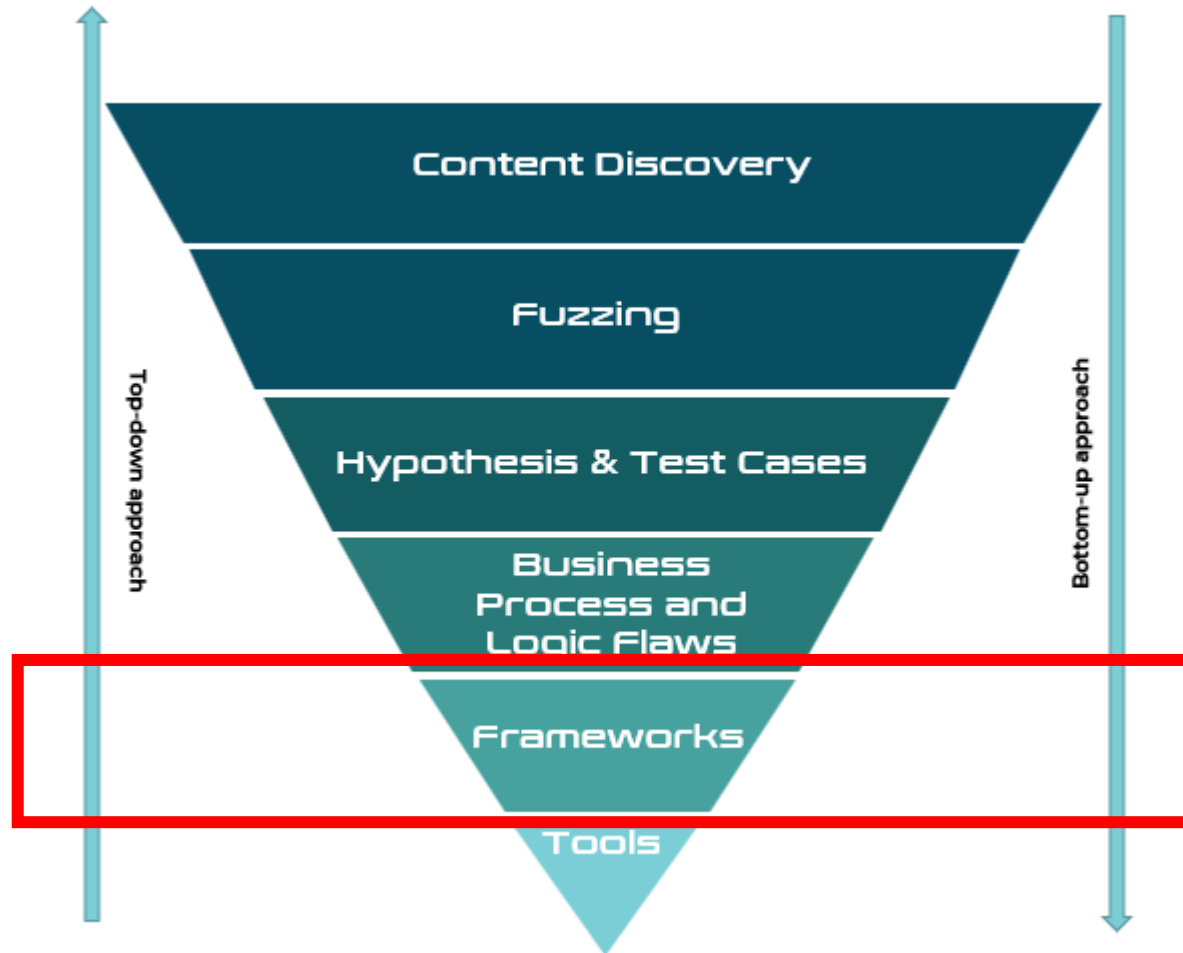
- Mapping out the flow of behavior
- Draw.io / Diagrams.net is easy quick win
- Helps look at things from a bird eye perspective
- Map out requests and response
- Example flows:
  - Purchasing
  - Authentication
  - Impersonation / privilege escalation
  - Password reset flow
  - ...





# Frameworks

Compliance and pentest support. Utilize frameworks.







# Minimum Viable Penetration Testing

Define an **absolute minimum** of activity to perform on a certain system or piece of technology or application.

- Allow experience from previous tests to be reused
- A way to support pentesters. Don't start from scratch.
  - Your own refined Google / Hacktricks.xyz / etc.
- Not training on concepts, but simple bullets of what needs to be done
- Make pentester accountable to:
  - Check the things which needs to be checked
  - Ask team for help when there are interesting anomalies
- There are application and technology specific MVP's

Frameworks

```

  ▾ Minimum Viable Pentesting
    > Cloud
    > Hardware
    > Internal
    > Mobile
    > Other Services
    > Phishing
    ▾ WEB
      > _gfx
      > Tools
      > WebApps
      1. Core MVP Methodology
      401 or 403 Unauthorized
      API
      ASP.NET WAF Evasion
      Auth0
      Authentication

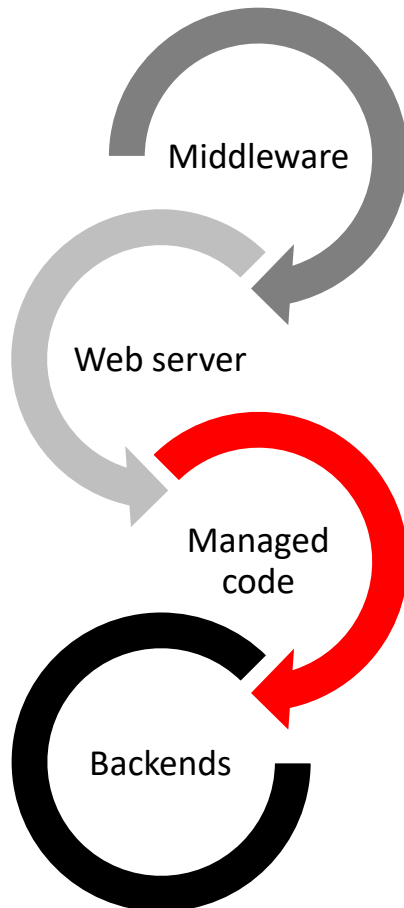
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# Tech and Application Specific MVP



## Attack The Stack



## Tech & App Specific MVP

```
> WebApps
1. Core MVP Methodology
401 or 403 Unauthorized
API
ASP.NET WAF Evasion
Auth0
Authentication
BruteForce - Turbo Intruder
dotNET
FileUpload
FingerPrinting
GIT
gprc
IIS Webserver
```

```
▼ WebApps
> _gfx
ArcGis
CMS - Content Manag...
CraftCMS
Django
DocuWiki
Drupal
EasyEdit
ElasticSearch
EpiServer
eZ-Publish
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## Testing Frameworks

- 🕒 ASVS – Application Security Verification Standard
- 🕒 WSTG – Web Security Testing Guide
- 🕒 ...



# IIS Short Name Scanning

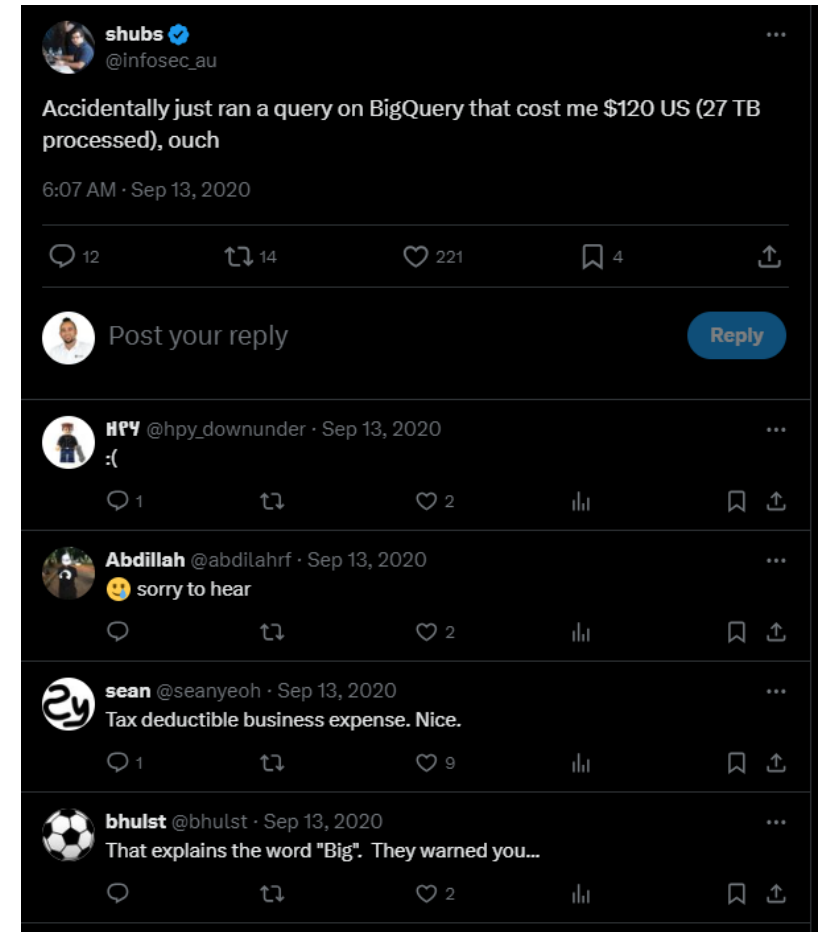
Frameworks

```
PS C:\tmp\repos\IIS_shortname_Scanner> C:\Python27\python.exe .\iis_shortname_Scan.py https://[redacted]/metadacard/
Server is vulnerable, please wait, scanning...
[+] /metadacard/m~1.* [scan in progress]
[+] /metadacard/me~1.* [scan in progress]
[+] /metadacard/met~1.* [scan in progress]
[+] /metadacard/meta~1.* [scan in progress]
[+] /metadacard/metad~1.* [scan in progress]
[+] /metadacard/metada~1.* [scan in progress]
[+] /metadacard/metada~1.z* [scan in progress]
[+] /metadacard/metada~1.zi* [scan in progress]
[+] /metadacard/metada~1.zip* [scan in progress]
[+] File /metadacard/metada~1.zip* [Done]
-----
File: /metadacard/metada~1.zip*
-----
0 Directories, 1 Files found in total
```

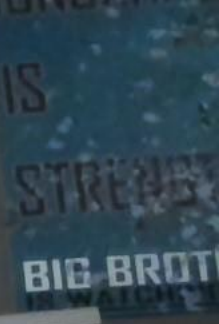


# Ideas to Help Find Content

- Build and test with wordlist  
`grep -aEirh '^metada.*' * | sort | uniq`
- Intruder: metada\$POSITION\$.zip
  - Settings: bruteforce 1-3 a-z 0-9
- Dork it:
  - inurl: metada
  - Site: target.com
- Google BigQuery
- Wayback Machine











# When You Don't Have MVP



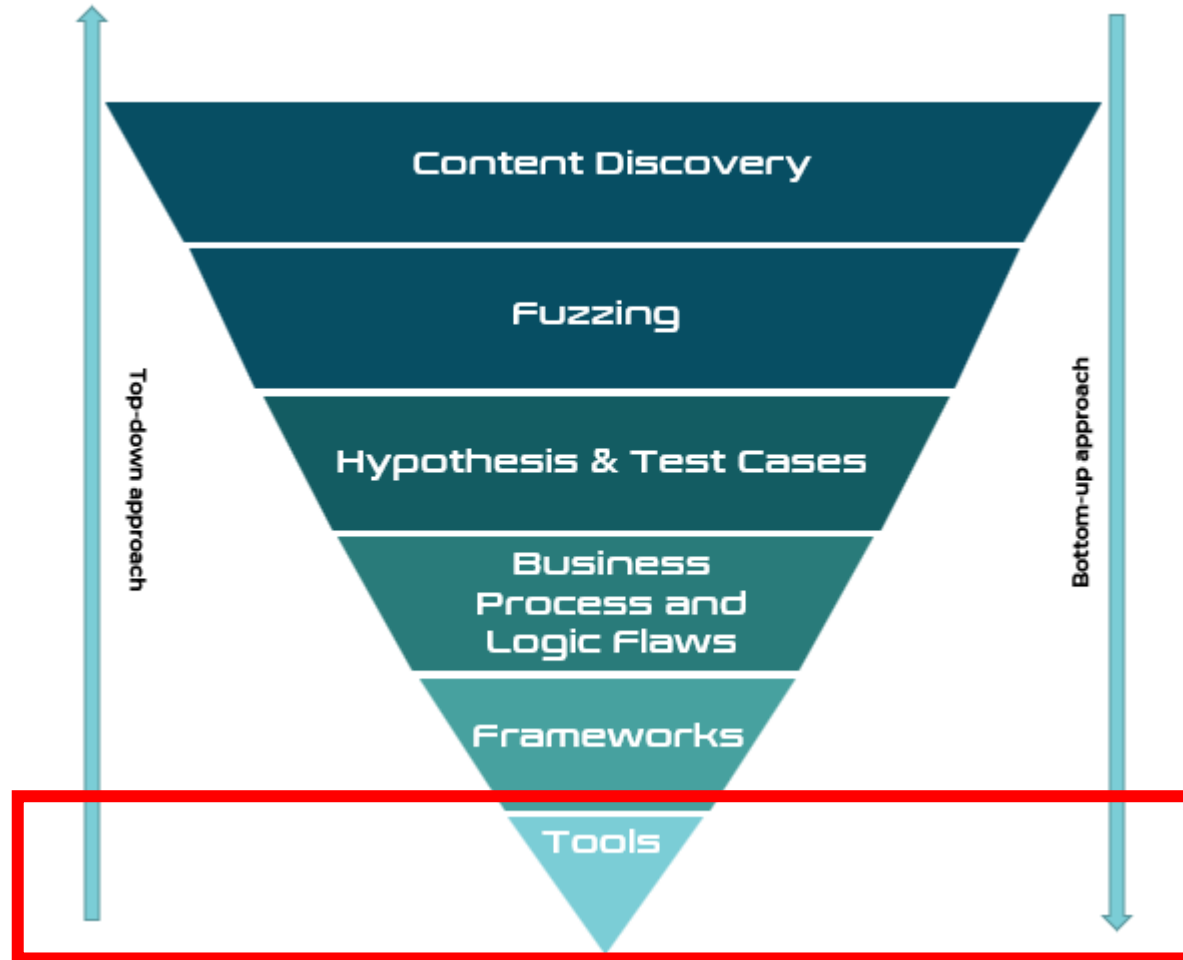
- Create one
  - It is **minimum** viable
  - A starting point is better than nothing
- Dedicate days before the engagement to:
  - Build
  - Set-up
  - Configure
  - Break & Hack
  - Create CTF challenges ;)
- Create foundations for future hypothesis





# Tools

Vulnerability scanners, application and technology specific tools





# Tools are plentiful

Go find them, review them, or build them yourself. Tools are useful for assisting and automating, but always remember to **seek to understand, not just to solve**. Don't run the tools without understanding how they work; understand what they're trying to achieve and identify tool failure.



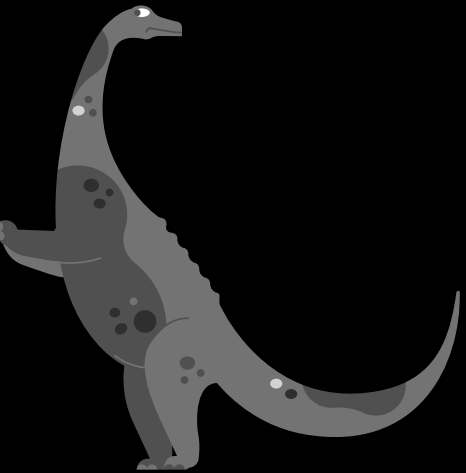
# Finally, the most important point

How do we make an actual long term impact with security testing?



With Traditional Penetration Testing - Are we playing the same game as attackers?

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# Continuity

- To effectively prevent threat actors from exploiting new vulnerabilities, continuity is imperative
- Trigger penetration testing when changes happen
- Example:
  - Status code changes: 401 Unauthorized to 200 OK
  - Swagger.json with new definitions
  - Crawling results with new dynamic scripts
  - CTI with new hacking techniques



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