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Monitoring Attack Surface and Integrating Security into DevOps Pipelines

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Agenda

- Background
- Importance of Attack Surface
- What Does Attack Surface Have to Do with DevOps?
- Hybrid Analysis Mapping (HAM) Background
- Installation Instructions
- Use Cases
- Questions

My Background

- Dan Cornell, founder and CTO of Denim Group
- Software developer by background (Java, .NET, etc)
- OWASP San Antonio



Denim Group Background

- Secure software services and products company
 - Builds secure software
 - Helps organizations assess and mitigate risk of in-house developed and third party software
 - Provides classroom training and e-Learning so clients can build software securely
- Software-centric view of application security
 - Application security experts are practicing developers
 - Development pedigree translates to rapport with development managers
 - **Business impact: shorter time-to-fix application vulnerabilities**
- Culture of application security innovation and contribution
 - Develops open source tools to help clients mature their software security programs
 - *Remediation Resource Center, ThreadFix*
 - OWASP national leaders & regular speakers at RSA, SANS, OWASP, ISSA, CSI
 - World class alliance partners accelerate innovation to solve client problems

OWASP ZAP

- Open source web proxy and dynamic application security testing tool
- https://www.owasp.org/index.php/OWASP_Zed_Attack_Proxy_Project

Example Codebases

- Bodgelt Store
 - Example vulnerable web application
 - <https://github.com/psiinon/bodgelt>
- Java Spring Petstore
 - Example Spring application
 - <https://github.com/spring-projects/spring-petclinic>
- Railsgoat
 - Example vulnerable web application
 - <https://github.com/OWASP/railsgoat>

ThreadFix Community Edition

- Application vulnerability management
 - And some other stuff
- <https://github.com/denimgroup/threadfix>

Downloads

- <https://dl.dropboxusercontent.com/u/737351/endpoints-json.jar>
- <https://dl.dropboxusercontent.com/u/737351/threadfix-release-2.zap>
- https://github.com/denimgroup/threadfix-examples/tree/master/web_app_attack_surface

Importance of Attack Surface



Importance of Attack Surface

- This is where an attacker can “reach out and touch” your application
 - Web: Mostly in the HTTP request: URL, parameters, headers (cookies)
 - Mobile, IoT: More complicated
 - We will focus on web today
- Target for dynamic testing
 - Automated DAST
 - Manual assessment/penetration testing

What Does Attack Surface Have to Do With DevOps?

- ~~• If you want your talk to be accepted, it has to have DevOps in the title~~
- Let's look at what we want from security in the DevOps pipeline

Security in the DevOps Pipeline

Organizations like Etsy and Netflix
are doing *amazing* things to secure
apps via their DevOps

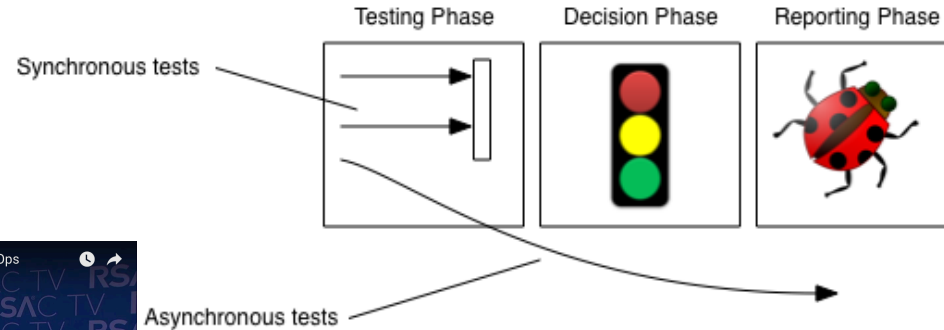


Security in the DevOps Pipeline

- Testing
 - Synchronous
 - Asynchronous
- Decision
- Reporting

Blog Post: Effective Application Security Testing in DevOps Pipelines

<http://www.denimgroup.com/blog/2016/12/effective-application-security-testing-in-devops-pipelines/>



<https://www.denimgroup.com/resources/effective-application-security-for-devops/>

Focus on Testing in DevOps Pipeline

- Many security tools run too long to include in many pipeline builds
 - Full SAST, DAST
- Security testing also includes manual testing
 - Which is *way* too slow for most pipeline builds
- Tracking attack surface changes over time can help us:
 - Focus testing activities
 - Trigger testing activities

Hybrid Analysis Mapping

- Goal: Merge the results of SAST and DAST testing
- Funded via DHS S&T SBIR contracts
- Facilitated the creation of our attack surface modeling engine

Department of Homeland Security Support

- Currently in Phase 2 of a DHS S&T CSD SBIR
- Acronyms!
 - DHS = Department of Homeland Security
 - S&T = Directorate of Science and Technology
 - CSD = CyberSecurity Division
 - SBIR = Small Business Innovation Research
- Geared toward developing new technologies for Federal customers
- Hybrid Analysis Mapping (HAM)
- Technology has been included with ThreadFix
- Has also resulted in some other released components we will talk about today
- **Please do not assume this talk is endorsed by DHS**
 - This is just me talking about what we have done



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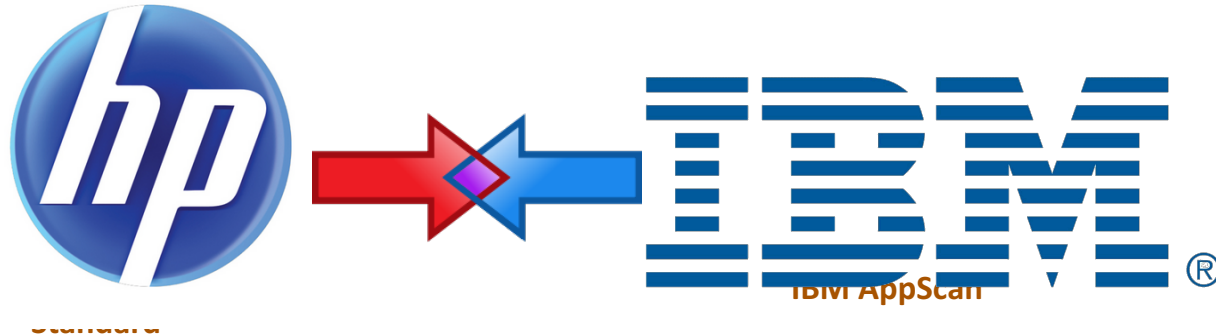
Science and Technology

Hybrid Analysis Mapping (HAM)

- Initial goal: Correlate and merge results from SAST and DAST
- After we made that work, we found other stuff we could do with the technology

Hybrid Analysis Mapping (HAM)

- Determine the feasibility of developing a system that can reliably and efficiently correlate and merge the results of automated static and dynamic security scans of web applications.



Dynamic Application Security Testing (DAST)

- Spider to enumerate attack surface
 - Crawl the site like Google would
 - But with authentication / session detection
- Fuzz to identify vulnerabilities based on analysis of request/response patterns
 - If you send a SQL control character and get a JDBC error message back, that could indicate a SQL injection vulnerability
- A finding looks like (CWE, relative URL, [entry point])

Static Application Security Testing (SAST)

- Use source or binary to create a model of the application
 - Kind of like a compiler or VM
- Perform analysis to identify vulnerabilities and weaknesses
 - Data flow, control flow, semantic, etc
- A finding looks like (CWE, code/data flow)

```
String username = request.getParameter("username");  
String sql = "SELECT * FROM User WHERE username = '" + username + "'";  
  
Statement stmt;  
stmt = con.createStatement();  
stmt.execute(sql);
```


Hybrid Analysis Mapping Sub-Goals

- Standardize vulnerability types
 - Settled on MITRE Common Weakness Enumeration (CWE)
- Match dynamic and static locations
 - Use knowledge of language/web framework to build attack surface database
- Improve static parameter parsing
 - Parse out of source code to match with DAST result

Information Used

- Source Code
 - Git, Subversion, Local Copy
- Framework Type
 - Java: JSP, Spring, Struts
 - C#: .NET WebForms, .NET MVC
 - Ruby: Rails
 - PHP: in progress
- Extra information from SAST results (if available)

Unified Endpoint Database

- EndpointQuery
 - dynamicPath
 - staticPath
 - Parameter
 - httpMethod
 - codePoints [List<CodePoint>]
 - informationSourceType
- EndpointDatabase
 - findBestMatch(EndpointQuery query): Endpoint
 - findAllMatches(EndpointQuery query): Set<Endpoint>
 - getFrameworkType(): FrameworkType

Merging SAST and DAST Results

- I have a DAST result:
 - (“Reflected XSS”, /login.jsp, “username” parameter)
- Query the Endpoint Database:
 - Entry point is
com.something.something.LoginController.java, line 62
- Search the other findings for SAST results like:
 - (“Reflected XSS”, source at
com.something.something.LoginController.java, line 62)
- If you find a match – correlate those two findings
- Magic!

That's Great But I Want More

- So our research produced a successful/valuable outcome
 - Hooray
- But – given these data structures, what else can we do?
- From an EndpointDatabase we can:
 - Get *all* of the application's attack surface
 - Map DAST results to a specific line of code
- Given those capabilities we can:
 - Pre-seed scanners with attack surface
 - Map DAST results to lines of code in a developer IDE
 - Map DAST results to lines of code in SonarQube

Final Thoughts on SBIR Work with DHS S&T



- Great use of the SBIR program
 - In my humble and *totally* unbiased opinion
- Proved to be the tipping point to developing HAM
 - HAM was *interesting*, but required material investment
- Research produced a successful outcome (we think)
- We found other things we could do with the technology
- Released much of it open source to increase adoption

Scanner Seeding

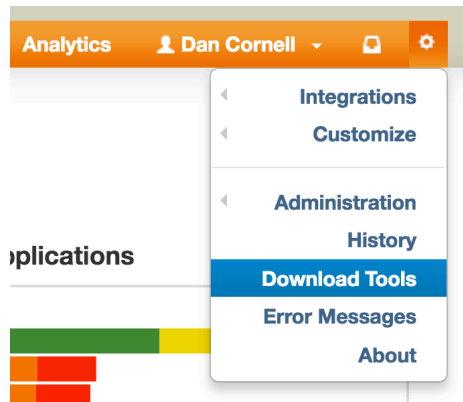
- What if we could give the DAST spidering process a head start?
- Pre-seed with *all* of the attack surface
 - Landing pages that link in to the application
 - Hidden directories
 - Backdoor or “unused” parameters
- Currently have plugins for OWASP ZAP and BurpSuite
 - Plugin for IBM Rational AppScan Standard is in progress



<https://github.com/denimgroup/threadfix/wiki/Scanner-Plugins>

Getting the Plugins

- Main ThreadFix site
 - <https://github.com/denimgroup/threadfix/>
- ThreadFix build instructions
 - <https://github.com/denimgroup/threadfix/wiki/Development-Environment-Setup>
 - “Running ThreadFix Without an IDE”
- Download plugins from ThreadFix



Plugin Installation

- OWASP ZAP plugin installation instructions
 - <https://github.com/denimgroup/threadfix/wiki/Zap-Plugin>
- Plugins also available for:
 - Portswigger BurpSuite Professional
 - IBM Rational AppScan (soon)

Attack Surface Enumeration

- Find *all* of the attack surface
 - URLs
 - Parameters that will change application behavior
 - Future: Cookies, other HTTP headers
- Why is this a problem?
 - Hidden landing pages
 - Multi-step processes that automated crawls don't traverse
 - Unknown parameters
 - Debug/backdoor parameters (will discuss this further)
- Great for REST APIs support single-page web applications and mobile applications

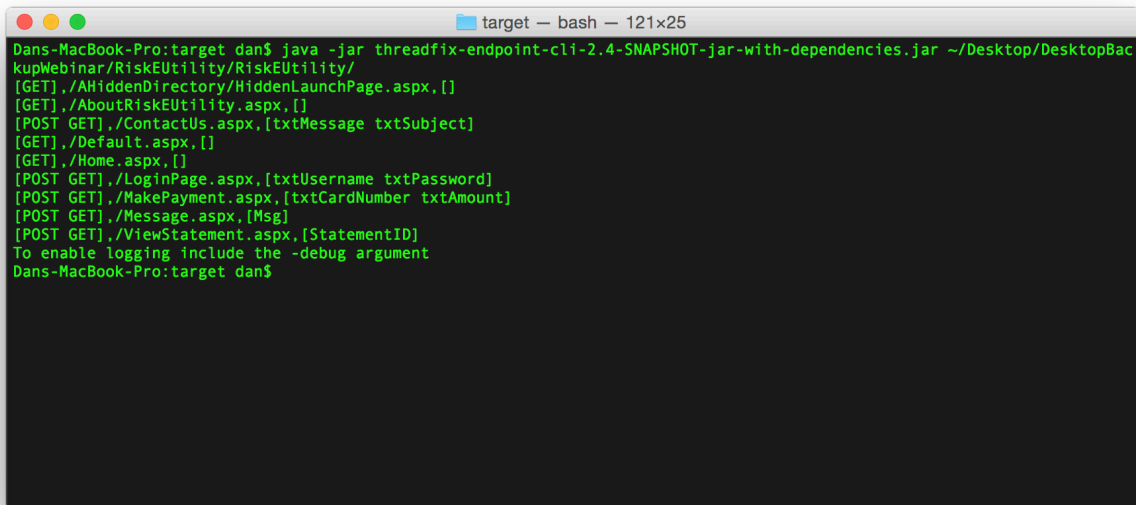
Attack Surface Enumeration Benefits

- Reduce false negatives from scanners
 - Better coverage for standard fuzzing
- Pen test *all of* the application

Endpoints CLI Notes

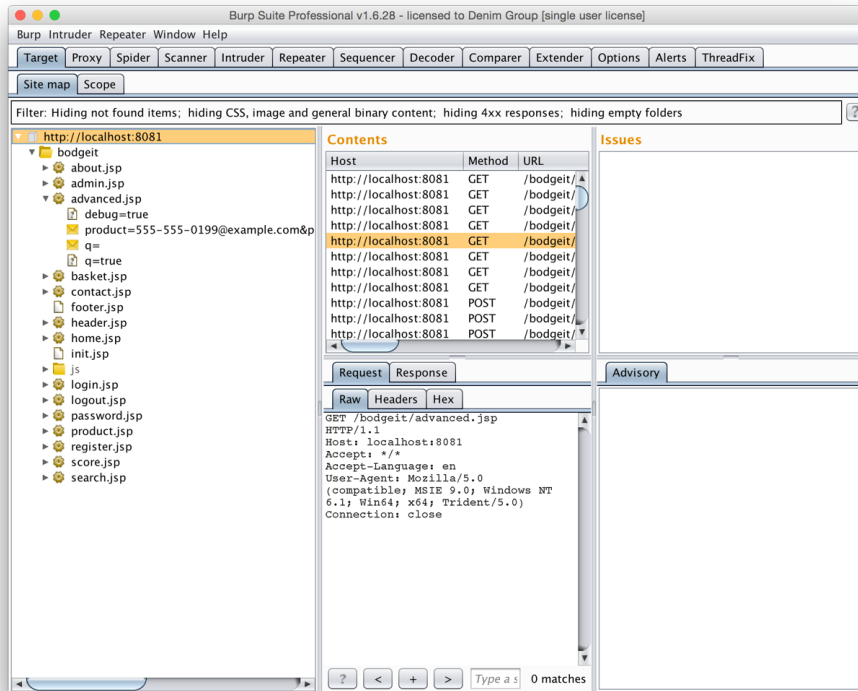
- Syntax: `java -jar [jar-name].jar /path/to/source`
- JAR name will change based on build ID
- After Maven build, can also be found in: `$GIT/threadfix/threadfix-cli-endpoints/target/`
- You want the "-jar-with-dependencies" JAR
- Will output list of HTTP methods, URLs and parameters based on analysis of the source code
- Attack surface!
- Add "-json" to the end of the command to get output in JSON format
 - Easier to manipulate

Command Line Demo



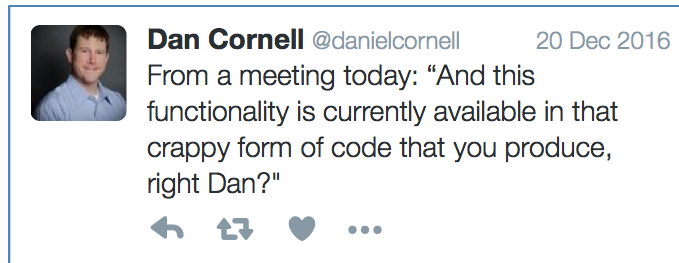
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target — bash — 121x25
Dans-MacBook-Pro:target dan$ java -jar threadfix-endpoint-cli-2.4-SNAPSHOT-jar-with-dependencies.jar ~/Desktop/DesktopBackupWebinar/RiskEUtility/RiskEUtility/
[GET] ./AHiddenDirectory/HiddenLaunchPage.aspx,[]
[GET] ./AboutRiskEUtility.aspx,[]
[POST GET] ./ContactUs.aspx,[txtMessage txtSubject]
[GET] ./Default.aspx,[]
[GET] ./Home.aspx,[]
[POST GET] ./LoginPage.aspx,[txtUsername txtPassword]
[POST GET] ./MakePayment.aspx,[txtCardNumber txtAmount]
[POST GET] ./Message.aspx,[Msg]
[POST GET] ./ViewStatement.aspx,[StatementID]
To enable logging include the -debug argument
Dans-MacBook-Pro:target dan$
```

Scanner Attack Surface Seeding Demo



attack_surface_lib.py

- Warning!



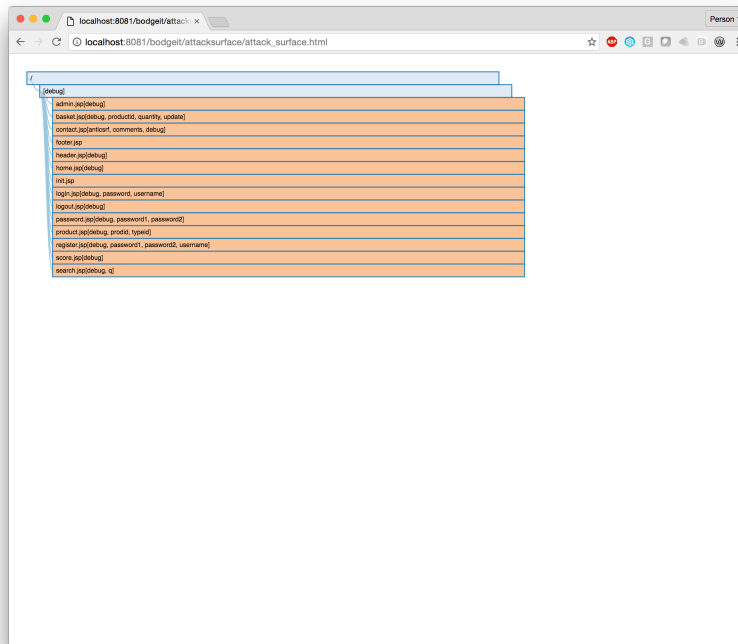
- What's the opposite of "Pythonic?"
- Race conditions, sloppy file handling, etc
- Possibly even some command injection
 - That you can currently exploit from ... the command line
 - Some mitigations in place, but...
- Please be careful what you attach this to

attack_surface_lib.py

- What does it do?
 - Takes JSON output of cli-endpoints
 - Creates attack surface tree data structure
 - Calculates differences between trees
 - Some git utility tasks
- Used as the basis for upcoming examples

- https://github.com/denimgroup/threadfix-examples/blob/master/web_app_attack_surface/attack_surface_lib.py

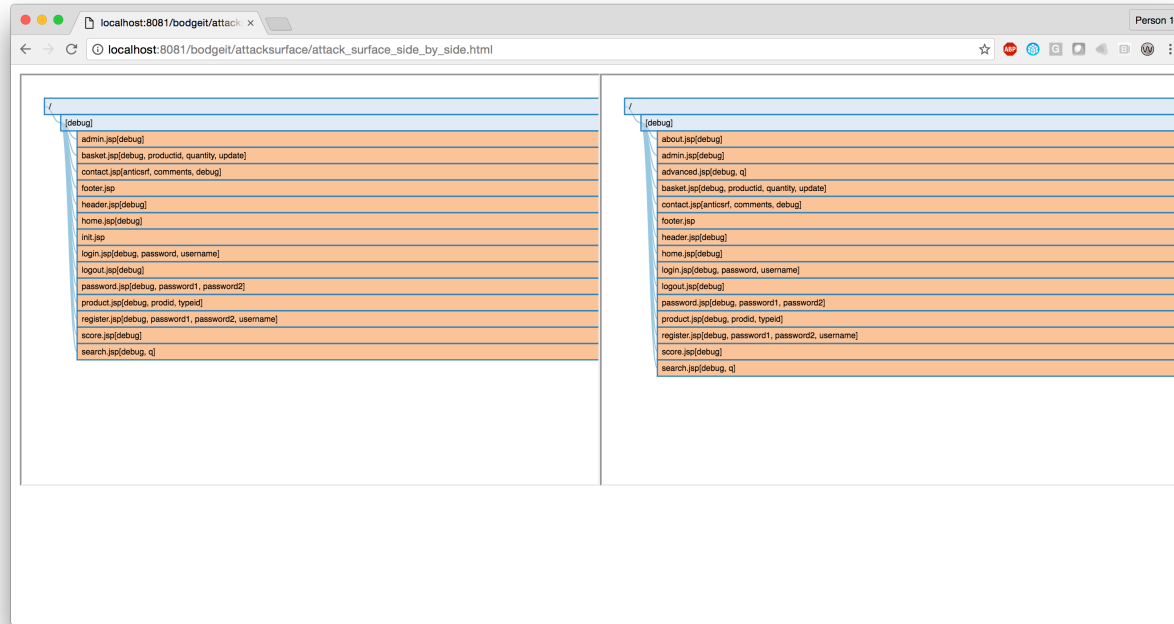
Attack Surface Visualization Demo



HTML framework: https://github.com/denimgroup/threadfix-examples/tree/master/web_app_attack_surface/html

Code: https://github.com/denimgroup/threadfix-examples/blob/master/web_app_attack_surface/make_d3_tree_json.py

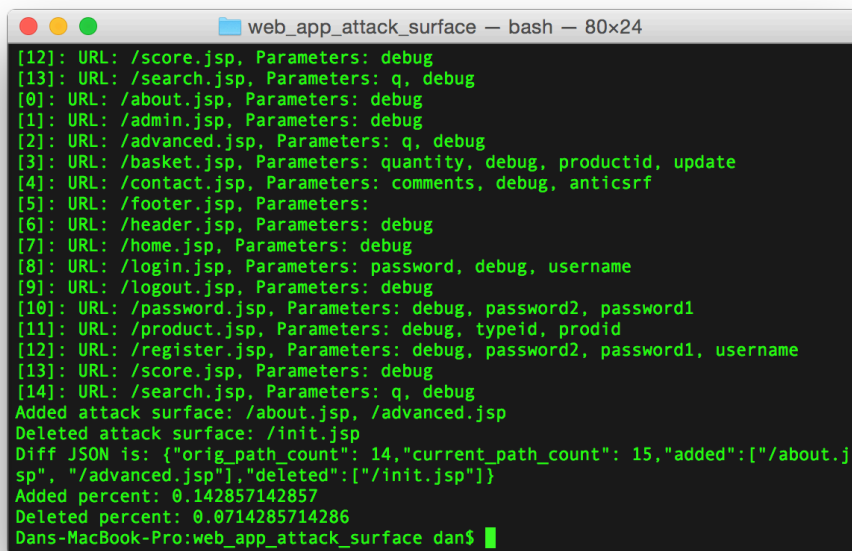
Attack Surface Comparison Visualization Demo



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Code: https://github.com/denimgroup/threadfix-examples/blob/master/web_app_attack_surface/make_d3_tree_json.py

Diffing Attack Surface Demo

A terminal window titled 'web_app_attack_surface — bash — 80x24' with a dark background and green text. It displays a list of URLs and parameters, followed by a diff operation between two attack surfaces. The diff shows that '/about.jsp' and '/advanced.jsp' were added to the current surface, while '/init.jsp' was removed from the original surface. The diff is represented as a JSON object with path counts and lists of added/deleted paths. Percentages for added and deleted items are also shown.

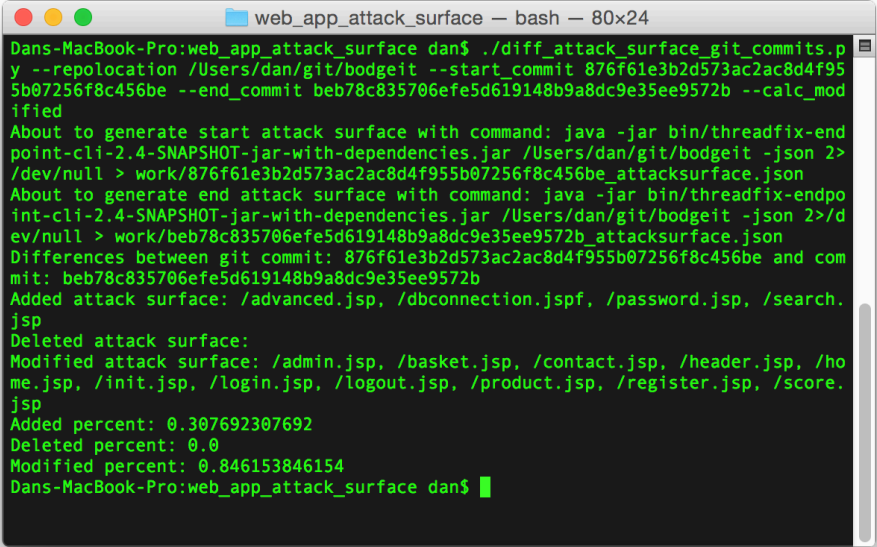
```
web_app_attack_surface — bash — 80x24
[12]: URL: /score.jsp, Parameters: debug
[13]: URL: /search.jsp, Parameters: q, debug
[0]: URL: /about.jsp, Parameters: debug
[1]: URL: /admin.jsp, Parameters: debug
[2]: URL: /advanced.jsp, Parameters: q, debug
[3]: URL: /basket.jsp, Parameters: quantity, debug, productid, update
[4]: URL: /contact.jsp, Parameters: comments, debug, antiscrf
[5]: URL: /footer.jsp, Parameters:
[6]: URL: /header.jsp, Parameters: debug
[7]: URL: /home.jsp, Parameters: debug
[8]: URL: /login.jsp, Parameters: password, debug, username
[9]: URL: /logout.jsp, Parameters: debug
[10]: URL: /password.jsp, Parameters: debug, password2, password1
[11]: URL: /product.jsp, Parameters: debug, typeid, prodid
[12]: URL: /register.jsp, Parameters: debug, password2, password1, username
[13]: URL: /score.jsp, Parameters: debug
[14]: URL: /search.jsp, Parameters: q, debug
Added attack surface: /about.jsp, /advanced.jsp
Deleted attack surface: /init.jsp
Diff JSON is: {"orig_path_count": 14, "current_path_count": 15, "added": ["/about.j
sp", "/advanced.jsp"], "deleted": ["/init.jsp"]}
Added percent: 0.142857142857
Deleted percent: 0.0714285714286
Dans-MacBook-Pro:web_app_attack_surface dan$
```

Code: https://github.com/denimgroup/threadfix-examples/blob/master/web_app_attack_surface/diff_attack_surface_git_commits.py

What About Behavior Changes?

- Identify files that have changed that are associated with attack surface
- Mark that attack surface as possibly having changed behavior
- Is this perfect? No.
- Does it provide additional information with potential value? Yes.

Potential Behavior Modified Demo



```
web_app_attack_surface — bash — 80x24
Dans-MacBook-Pro:web_app_attack_surface dan$ ./diff_attack_surface_git_commits.py --repolocation /Users/dan/git/bodgeit --start_commit 876f61e3b2d573ac2ac8d4f955b07256f8c456be --end_commit beb78c835706efe5d619148b9a8dc9e35ee9572b --calc_modified
About to generate start attack surface with command: java -jar bin/threadfix-endpoint-cli-2.4-SNAPSHOT-jar-with-dependencies.jar /Users/dan/git/bodgeit -json 2>/dev/null > work/876f61e3b2d573ac2ac8d4f955b07256f8c456be_attacksurface.json
About to generate end attack surface with command: java -jar bin/threadfix-endpoint-cli-2.4-SNAPSHOT-jar-with-dependencies.jar /Users/dan/git/bodgeit -json 2>/dev/null > work/beb78c835706efe5d619148b9a8dc9e35ee9572b_attacksurface.json
Differences between git commit: 876f61e3b2d573ac2ac8d4f955b07256f8c456be and commit: beb78c835706efe5d619148b9a8dc9e35ee9572b
Added attack surface: /advanced.jsp, /dbconnection.jspf, /password.jsp, /search.jsp
Deleted attack surface:
Modified attack surface: /admin.jsp, /basket.jsp, /contact.jsp, /header.jsp, /home.jsp, /init.jsp, /login.jsp, /logout.jsp, /product.jsp, /register.jsp, /score.jsp
Added percent: 0.307692307692
Deleted percent: 0.0
Modified percent: 0.846153846154
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Applications for DevOps Pipelines

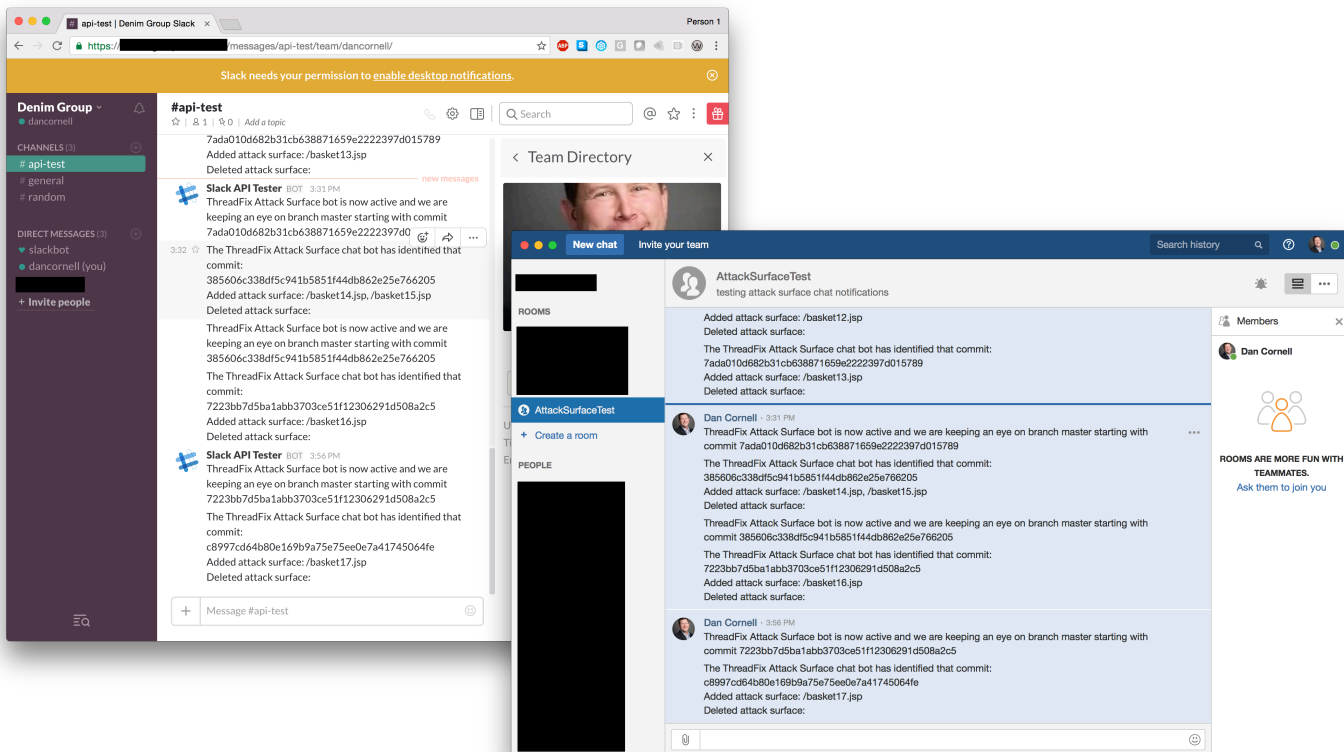
- Target DAST testing to focus on new attack surface in latest build
 - “Run an authenticated ZAP scan against the three new URLs added in the last commit”
- Set thresholds for when manual assessment/penetration testing is triggered
 - “Schedule a manual penetration test when the attack surface has increased by 10 URLs”
 - “Schedule a manual penetration test when the attack surface has increased by 5%”
 - Focus those efforts on new attack surface
- ChatOps: Attack surface delta notifications on commit
 - “Commit beb78c835706efe5d619148b9a8dc9e35ee9572b added attack surface: /advanced.jsp, /preferenes.jsp”

attacksurface_notifier.py

- Watch a git repository for new commits
- When there are commits, check for attack surface changes
- On attack surface changes – do stuff
- In production: would be done via CI/CD server
- BUT for demo purposes...

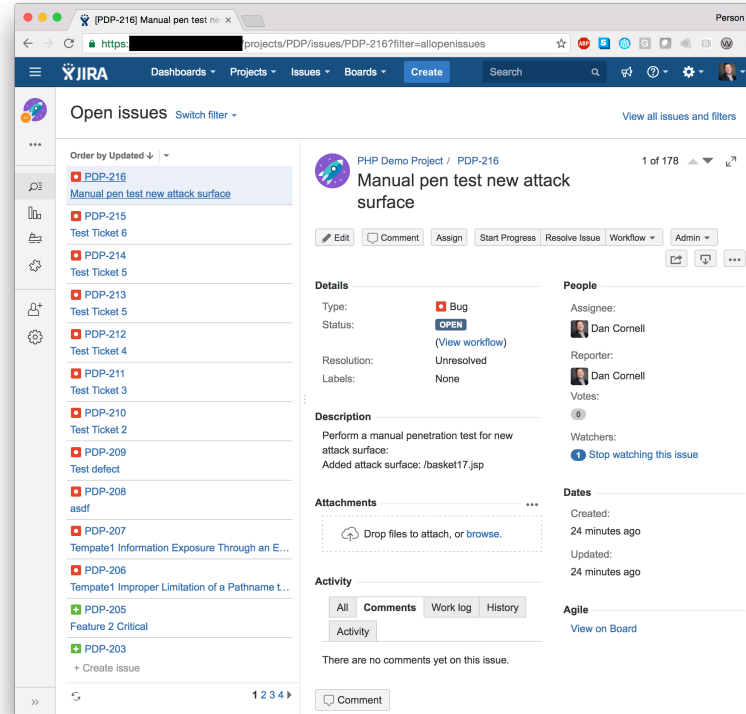
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Attack Surface ChatOps Demo



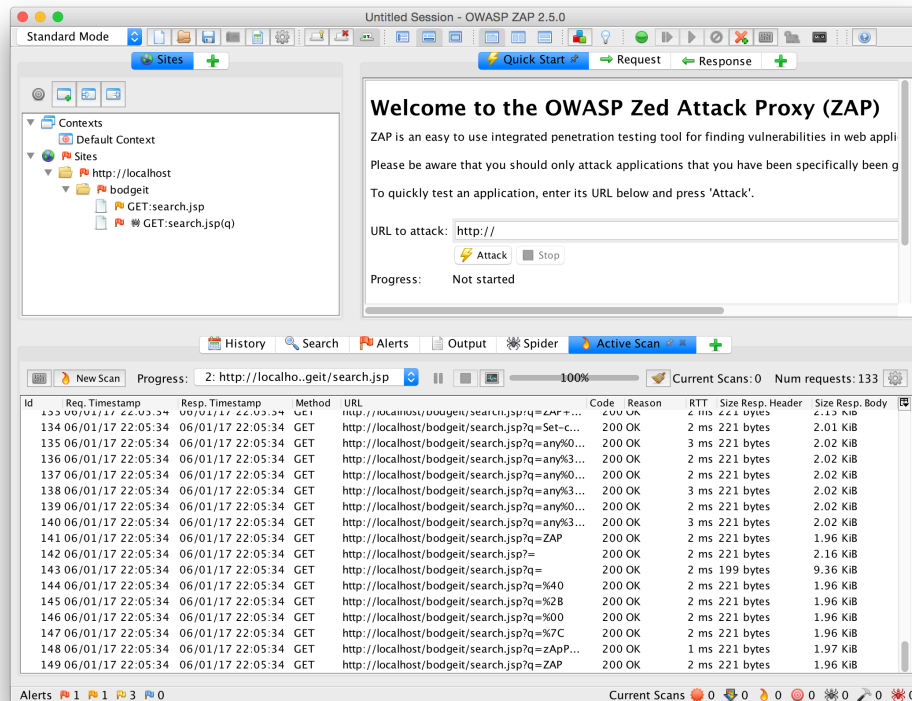
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Manual Test JIRA Ticket Demo



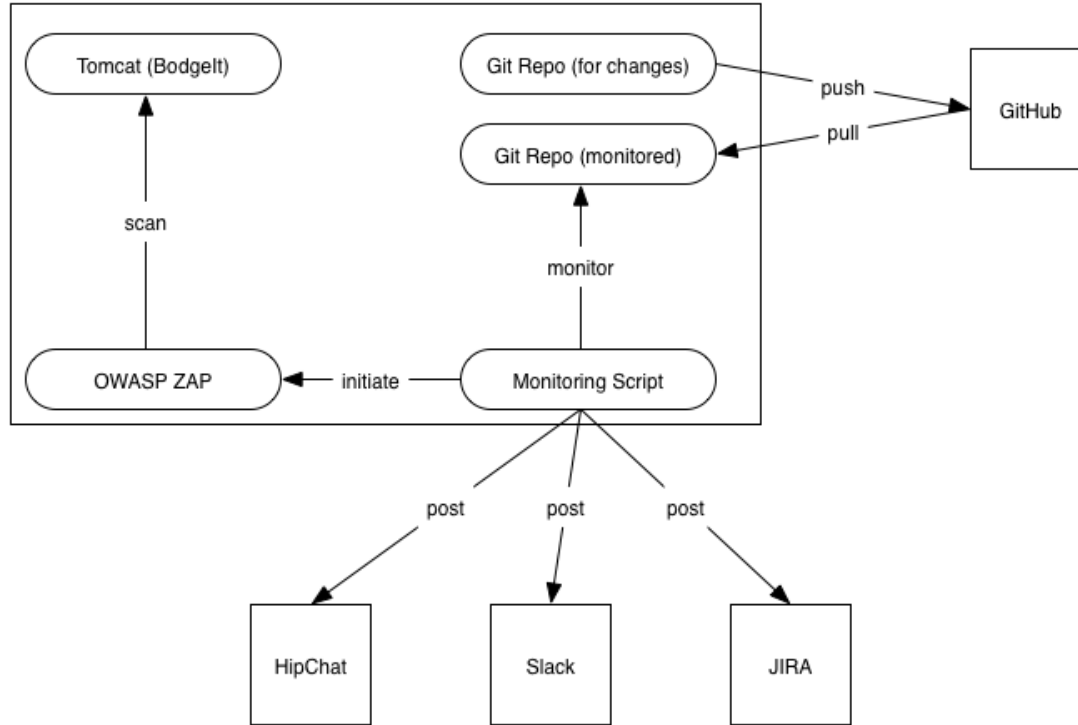
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Differential ZAP Scan Demo



Code: https://github.com/denimgroup/threadfix-examples/blob/master/web_app_attack_surface/attacksurface_notifier.py

Demo Architecture



Scripting Attack Surface Interactions

- [Anywhere]
 - Script using endpoints-cli.jar JSON outputs
 - That's most of what we've seen here
 - Script using JSON output from ThreadFix API
 - Can be useful in environments with limited access to source code
- Java: Use endpoints-cli.jar as a library
 - We need to do a better job of documenting the APIs
- Jython: Use endpoints-cli.jar as a library

Jython Use of HAM Library Demo

```
web_app_attack_surface — bash — 118x41
Dans-MacBook-Pro:web_app_attack_surface dan$ jython jython_endpoints_cli.py --code_path ~/git/bodgeit/
Using the attack surface calculation library via Jython
Will calculate attack surface for code located at: /Users/dan/git/bodgeit/
INFO [main] FrameworkCalculator.getType(71) | Attempting to guess Framework Type from source tree.
INFO [main] FrameworkCalculator.getType(72) | File: /Users/dan/git/bodgeit
INFO [main] ServletMappings.guessApplicationType(176) | About to guess application type from web.xml.
INFO [main] ServletMappings.guessApplicationType(184) | Determined that the framework type was JSP
INFO [main] FrameworkCalculator.getType(89) | Source tree framework type detection returned: JSP
INFO [main] EndpointDatabaseFactory.getDatabase(108) | Creating database with root file = /Users/dan/git/bodgeit and f
framework type = JSP and path cleaner = [JSP PathCleaner dynamicRoot = null, staticRoot = null]
INFO [main] JSPMappings.<init>(67) | Calculated JSP root to be: /Users/dan/git/bodgeit/root
INFO [main] JSPMappings.<init>(78) | Found 17 JSP files.
INFO [main] EndpointDatabaseFactory.getDatabase(135) | Returning database with generator: com.denimgroup.threadfix.fra
mework.impl.jsp.JSPMappings@2c42b421
INFO [main] GeneratorBasedEndpointDatabase.<init>(64) | Using generic EndpointGenerator-based translator.
INFO [main] GeneratorBasedEndpointDatabase.buildMappings(75) | Building mappings.
INFO [main] GeneratorBasedEndpointDatabase.buildMappings(97) | Done building mappings. Static keys: 17, dynamic keys:
17
[POST GET] ./about.jsp,[debug]
[POST GET] ./admin.jsp,[debug]
[POST GET] ./advanced.jsp,[debug]
[POST GET] ./basket.jsp,[quantity debug productid update]
[POST GET] ./contact.jsp,[comments debug anticsrf]
[POST GET] ./dbconnection.jspf,[]
[POST GET] ./footer.jsp,[]
[POST GET] ./header.jsp,[debug]
[POST GET] ./home.jsp,[debug]
[POST GET] ./init.jsp,[]
[POST GET] ./login.jsp,[password debug username]
[POST GET] ./logout.jsp,[debug]
[POST GET] ./password.jsp,[debug password2 password1]
[POST GET] ./product.jsp,[debug typeid prodid]
[POST GET] ./register.jsp,[debug password2 password1 username]
[POST GET] ./score.jsp,[debug]
[POST GET] ./search.jsp,[q debug]
Dans-MacBook-Pro:web_app_attack_surface dan$
```

Code: https://github.com/denimgroup/threadfix-examples/blob/master/web_app_attack_surface/jython_endpoints_cli.py

Next Steps

- Expand the model of application attack surface
 - Currently: Parameters, HTTP verbs
 - Working on: HTTP headers (cookies)
 - Future: Other application types: Mobile, IoT
- Better visualization
 - More details
 - Better granularity
 - Track changes over time
- Native integrations: Jenkins, Slack, HipChat, JIRA, etc
 - This is very “scripty” right now

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