

The Diviner

Digital Clairvoyance Breakthrough

Source Code & Structure Black Box Divination

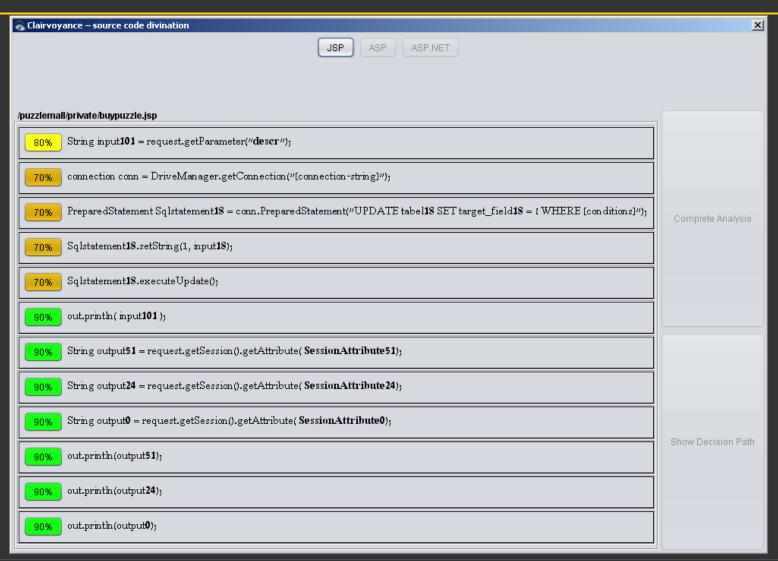
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A Picture is Worth a Thousand Words...







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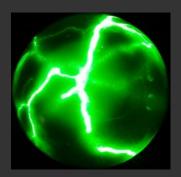
- Formerly a boutique company that provided various information security services since 2004.
- As of 01/01/2011, Ernst & Young acquired Hacktics professional services practice, and the group joined EY as one of the firm's advanced security centers (ASC).





The Diviner Project

- Diviner
 - OWASP ZAP extension (v1.4+)
 - Requires ZAP to run with Java 1.7+
 - Homepage: http://code.google.com/p/diviner/
- Development
 - ▶ 1+ years of development, tons of extra hours by @Secure_ET
 - Made possible due to support from the OWASP ZAP project, specifically from Simon Bennetts (@psiinon)







Agenda

- The Problem The Challenges of Manual PT
- The Art of War Information Gathering
- The Impact BB Source Code & Structure Insight
- Divination Attacks Predicting the Server Structure
 - Memory Structure Divination
 - Source Code Divination
 - Server Side Process Visualization
- Divination Mechanics
- The Diviner Project
- Q & A







The Problem The numerous tasks of manual penetration testing













Manual Testing: Attacks & Vulnerabilities

- WASC Threat Classification
 - ▶ 34 Attacks
 - 15 Weaknesses
- OWASP Attacks & Vulnerabilities
 - 64 Attacks
 - 165 Vulnerabilities
- CWE, Wiki, OWASP Testing Guide and Additional Lists





SQL Injection	No SQL Injection	SQL Sorting	LDAP Injection	XPath Injection
XQuery Injection	XML Injection	HTTP Request Splitting	HTTP Request Smuggling	HTTP Request Header Injection
HTTP Response Header Injection	SMTP Injection	Code Injection-General	Code Injection-ASP	Code Injection-PHP
Code Injection-JSP	OS Command Injection	SSI Injection	Format String Injection	Expression Language Injection
Remote File Inclusion	Local File Inclusion	Directory Traversal	PHP File Inclusion	Buffer Overflow
Integer Overflow	Null-Byte Injection	Race Conditions	Temporal Session Race Conditions (TSRC)	Forceful Browsing
Abuse of Functionality	Parameter Tampering	Session Variable Overloading	Session Fixation	Session Hijacking
Session Prediction	Binary Planting	Connection String Parameter Pollution	HTTP Parameter Pollution	Insecure Object Mapping
Oracle Padding	Reflected XSS	Persistent XSS	DOM XSS	Open Redirect
CSRF	Dynamic CSRF	SDRF	Click-Jacking	Cross Frame Scripting
Cross Site Tracing	Frame Spoofing	Content Spoofing	CRLF Injection	HTTP Response Splitting
Policy Abuse	Log Forging	HTTP Verb Tampering	HTTP Methods Abuse	Cross Site History Manipulation
Denial of Service	Distributed Denial of Service	Numeric Denial of Service	Application Denial of Service	Account Lockout
Regular Expression Denial of Service	Beast Attack	SSL/TSL Renegotiation Flaw	Replay Attack	Man-In-The-Middle
SQL Row Injection	Information Disclosure	Caching	Auto Complete	Fingerprinting
Policy Violation	Uncaught Exception	Weak Cryptography	Broken Access Control	Poor Logging Practice
Source Code Disclosure	Inefficient Logout	Credentials Disclosure	Unrestricted File Upload	Obsolete Files
Insecure Password Recovery Process	Insecure Transport	Insecure Cookie	Hard-Coded Passwords	HTTP Request Injection
XXE	Mail Headers Injection			





- #tests =~100 tests per each parameter
- #pages = different web pages in the application
- #params = different parameters in each web page





#tests * #pages * #params

A lot of time (and tests)





















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The Limited Time Frame, Potential Solutions

- Experience, Intuition and Luck.
- Automated Scanners
 - Benefit: Perform multiple tests on a large amount of URLs/Parameters.
 - Downside: Can only detect familiar attacks and scenarios, limited accuracy, and potential false positives.

Fuzzers

- Benefit: Collect the responses of numerous payloads from multiple URLs.
- Downside: Presentation method, amount of analysis required.
- Information Gathering...



Gazing into the Crystal Ball The Art of War: Information Gathering





Introduction to Digital Information Gathering

Information gathering processes are used to locate instances of sensitive information disclosure, as well as obtaining semi-legitimate information on the application's structure, underlying infrastructure, and behavior.

If you know your enemies and know yourself, you will not be imperiled in a hundred battles" (Sun Tzu, The Art of War, 6th century BC)





The Risks of Information Disclosure

- Underlying Infrastructure and Associated Vulnerabilities
- Entry Point Structure
- Technology-in-Use
- Hidden Interfaces
- Potential Flaws
- Etc.







Passive Information Gathering

- Dictionary term: "accepting or allowing what happens or what others do, without active response or resistance."
- Application-level passive analysis is performed using techniques such as:
 - Google hacking
 - Entry point mapping
 - Content analysis tools:
 - Watcher, ZAP, WebFight, Etc.
 - Internet Research
 - Open source code analysis
 - Etc.







Active Information Gathering

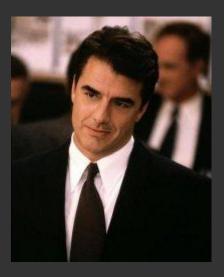
- Dictionary Term: "Gathering information that is not available in open sources, sometimes requires criminal activities to obtain."
- Performed using techniques such as:
 - Brute-Force Attacks
 - Resource Enumeration
 - Intentional Error Generation
 - Source Code Disclosure Attacks
 - ► Etc.

Is it really the limit?





Mr. Big



(?!?)





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Massive Recursive Behavior Information Gathering

- Application behavior in normal & extreme scenarios
- Indirect cross component effect
- Effect of values in each and every field
- Restrictions
- Behavior analysis

Which can lead to...





The Impact Black Box Source Code & Structure Insight





The Crown Jewel - Source Code Disclosure

- Inherent Security Flaws in the Application Code
- Test a Local Copy of the Application
- Hardcoded Credentials & Encryption Keys
- Disclose the Structure of the Internal Network
- ► Etc.







"Secure" App. Behavior...

- Employs, and in some cases relies, on the use of obscurity to improve the state of security.
- Does not reveal sensitive information on the underlying infrastructure, or the internal structure of the application.
- Does not disclose exceptional erroneous information.
- Does not disclose source code.

Was it all in vain...?





Security by Obscurity - Officially Dead?

- Based on Kerckhoffs's principle.
 - "Security by obscurity" makes the product safer and less vulnerable to attack.
 - Written in 1883.
- During the last 130 years, security experts disprove this concept over and over again.
- Diviner puts the last nail in the coffin.







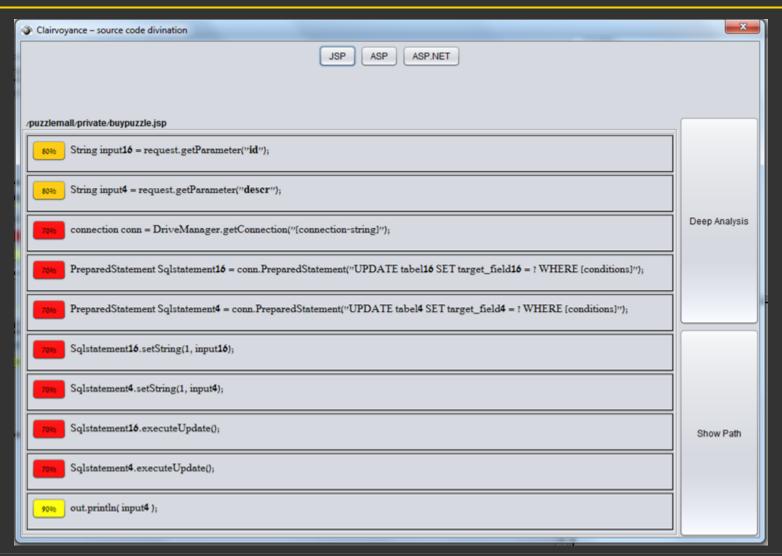
Source Code Divination – Benefits

- The benefits of source code divination are many:
 - Generate a visual representation of the behavior of each page.
 - Generate a pseudo-code representation of language specific source code.
 - Locate and differentiate between direct & indirect effect of input values on entry points.
 - Track the flow of input & output in the application.
 - Track session identifier origin & lifespan.
 - Detection of dormant events, methods, and parameters.
 - Indirect attack vector detection.





Source Code Divination

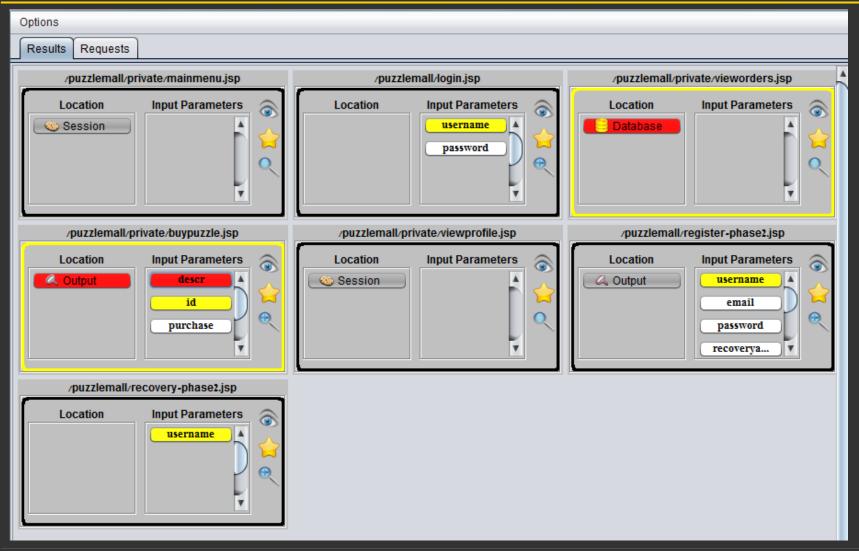






Direct & Indirect Cross Entry Point Effect

Visual Entry Point Input-Output Correlation







Divination Attacks

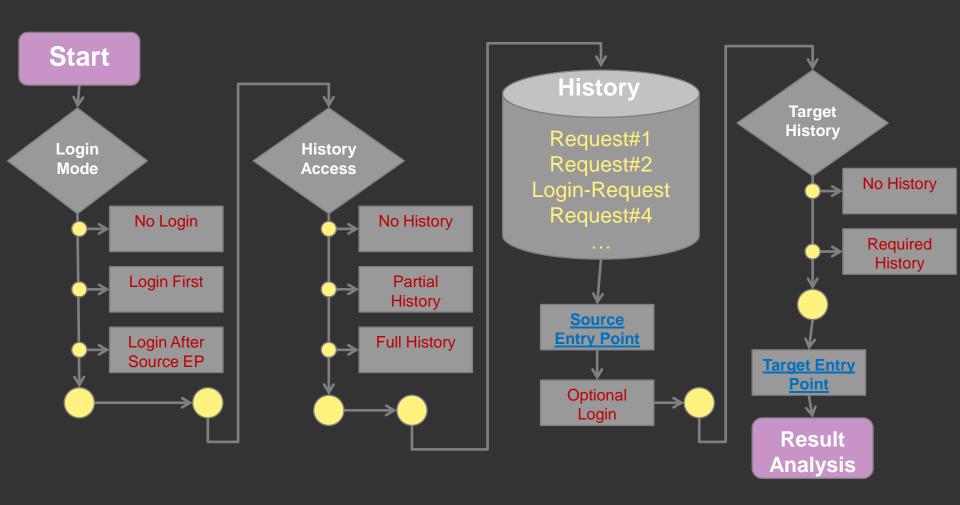






Exploring Different Paths of Execution

Behavior in Different Authentication Modes and History Perquisites







Gathering Information from Different Paths

- Generate as many different events as possible
- Analyze the behavior of entry points in each scenario
- Use a set of rules to decipher the possible reasons for each behavior
- Provide a clear visual representation of the interpreted information.
- Can be further analyzed using AI (thus, making the process produce scanner-like results) or manually provide the tester information that he wasn't aware of.

Which can lead to...





Process Visualization & Behavior Analysis

- Additional information can be obtained by analyzing behaviors (normal & abnormal).
- Each behavior can provide insight into server side processes, states and code.
- ► The process can be enhanced by actively causing a wide array of events (a.k.a active information disclosure).
- Massive active information disclosure can be used to gather information more effectively.

And also...





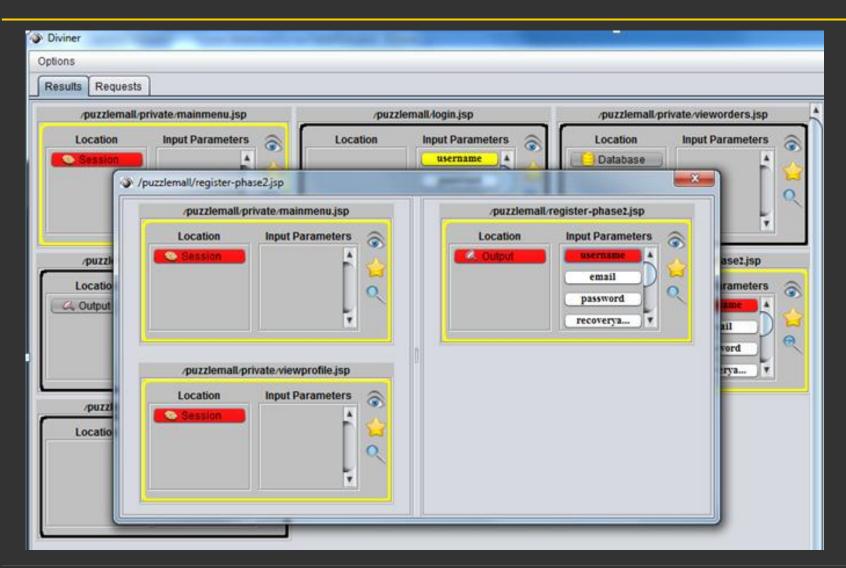
Initial Analysis and Structure Visualization

- Prominent behaviors and exceptional events can provide leads for potential vulnerabilities, without requiring exposure specific payloads (similar to a passive scanner).
- Can also be used to:
 - Identify the type of storage used to host each input (variable, session, database, etc).
 - Identify entry points that indirectly affect others.
 - Identify which input parameters are responsible for specific behaviors (using valid input, unlike scanners).
 - Identify different input parameters that affect identical server resources.
 - Work despite of IDS/IPS/WAF.





Entry Point Specific Cross Page Effect Visual Entry Point Input-Output Correlation







Primary & Secondary Conclusions

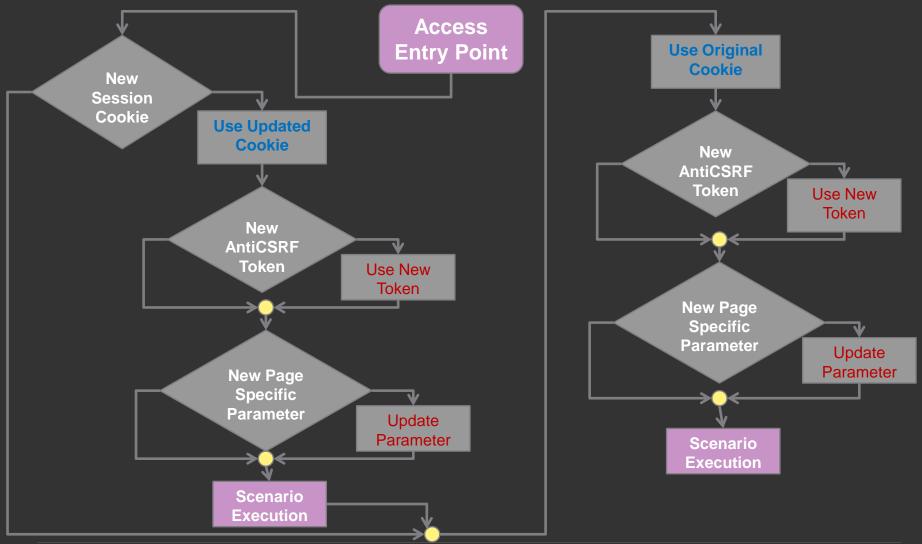
- Each behavior might be related to a potential security flaws, but can also indicate the existence of a specific process, line of code or restriction.
- ▶ The process can lead to secondary conclusions, such as:
 - Does session variables and identity tokens really expire, or continue to be associated with information, even when replaced?
 - Which entry point affects the behavior and content of other entry points, and how?
 - Where does the server store client originating inputs (variable/session/database/file)?
 - Which line of code in the server is responsible for the behavior?
 - Does input fields from different entry points affect identical server resources?





Exploring Different Paths of Execution, Cont.

Behavior With Different Session Cookies, Identifiers and Tokens







Source Code Divination Accuracy

ID	Behaviour Name
1	Input Reflected from Variable
2	Input Reflected from Session
3	Input Reflected from Database
4	Input Stored in Server Variable
5	Input Stored in Session Variable
6	Input Stored in Database Table
7	New Cookie Value





Source Code Divination Accuracy

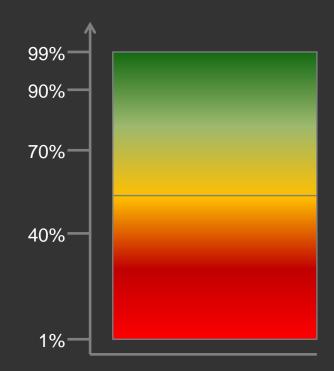
ID	Code Description	JSP Code	ASP.Net Code	
1	Read Input to Variable	String input\$\$1\$\$ = request. getParameter(##1##);	String input\$\$1\$\$ = Request["##1##"];	
2	Invalidate Session	session.invalidate();	Session.Abandon();	
3	New Session Identifier	request.getSession(true);		
4	New Cookie Value	Cookie cookie = new Cookie ("##1##",val); response.addCookie(cookie);	Response.Cookies("##1# #").Value = "val";	
5	Get Database Connection	Class.forName(DriverClassName); Connection conn = DriverManager.getConnection(X);	SqlConnection conn = new SqlConnection(X);	





Source Code Divination Accuracy

Behavior ID	Code ID	Code Type	Rank	Default Probability
7	3	1	1010	50%
7	4	1	10040	70%
7	2	2	5550	40%
6	1	1	2010	90%
6	5	2	10000	80%
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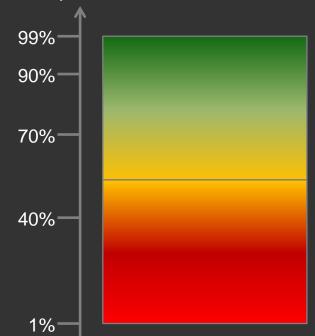


Verification Process and Probability

For **each** unique entry point / request, the probability for the existence of specific lines of code is adjusted according to the results of various behavior specific confirmation processes.

Previous session redirects to login after set-cookie instruction? Behaviour7 -> Codeld2 +40%, Codeld3 +20%, Codeld4 -10%

Behavior ID	Code ID	Code Type	Rank	Current Probability
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7	4	1	10040	60%
7	2	2	5550	80%
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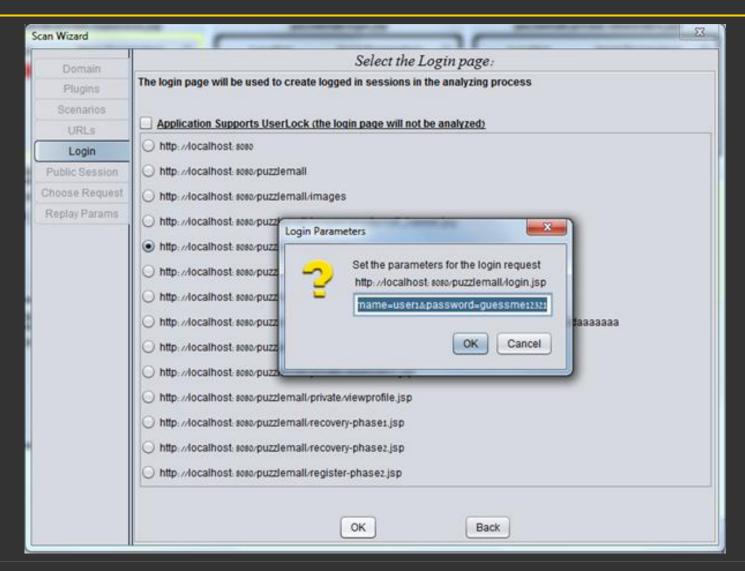
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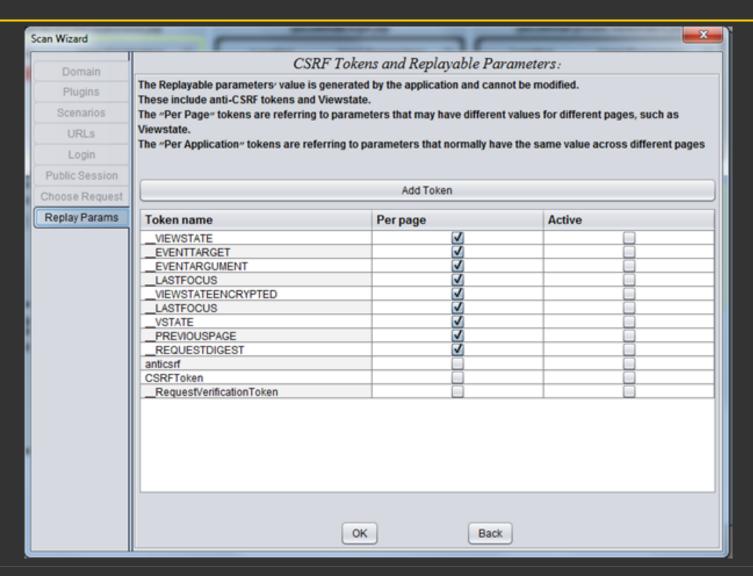
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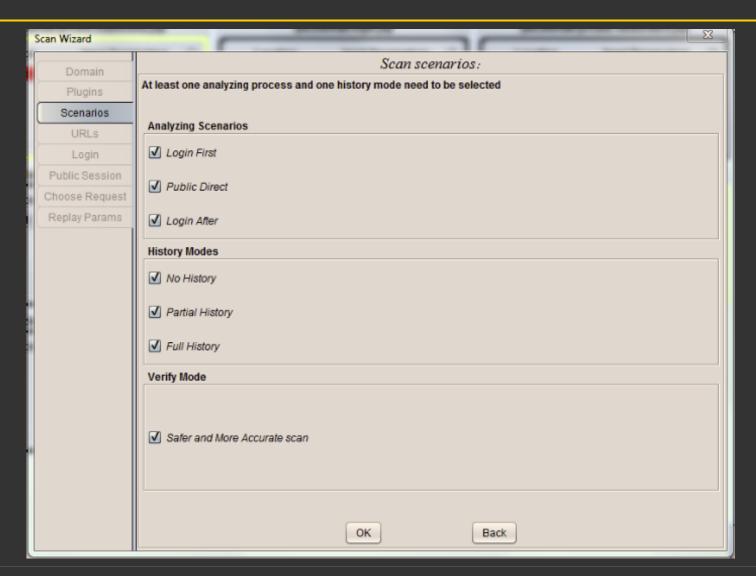
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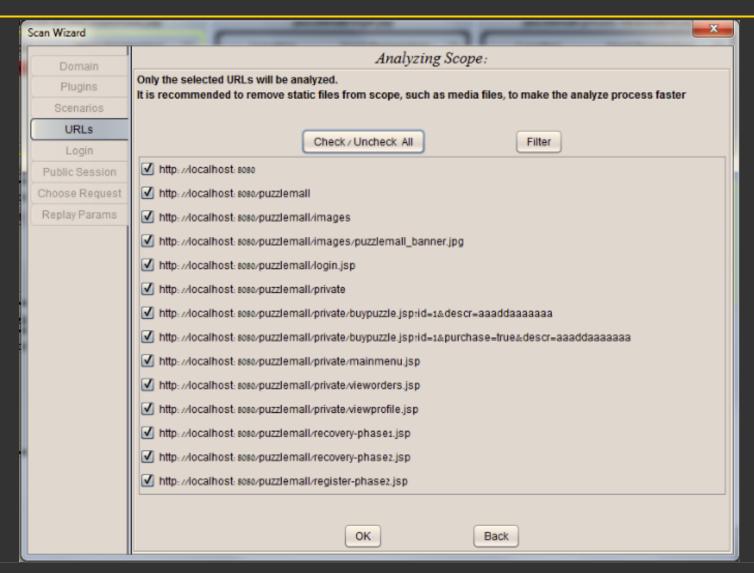
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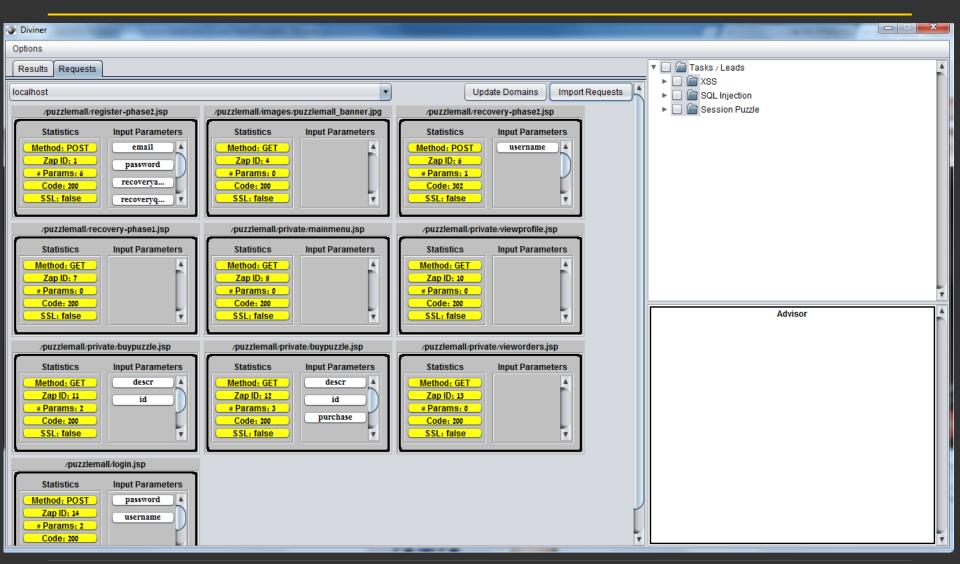
Divination Wizard – Define Analysis Scope







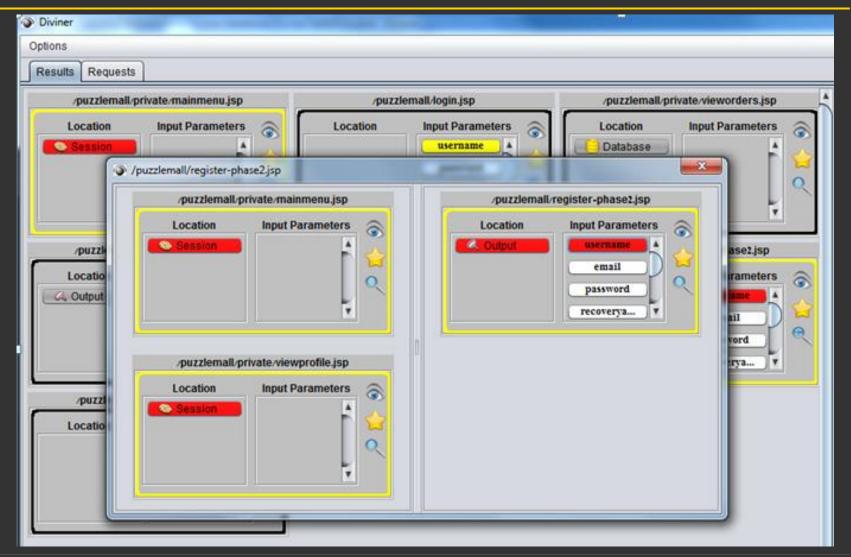
Visual Penetration Testing & Payload Reuse







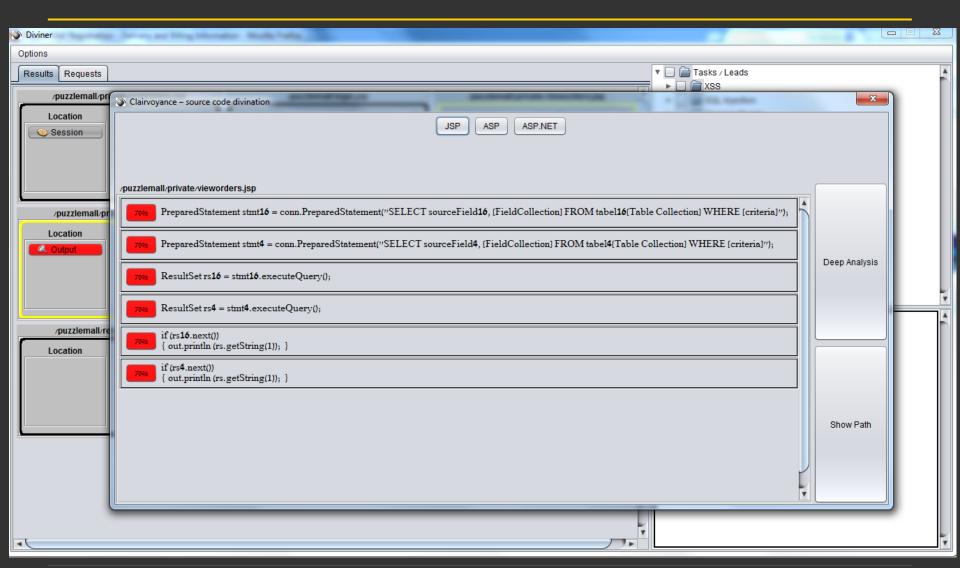
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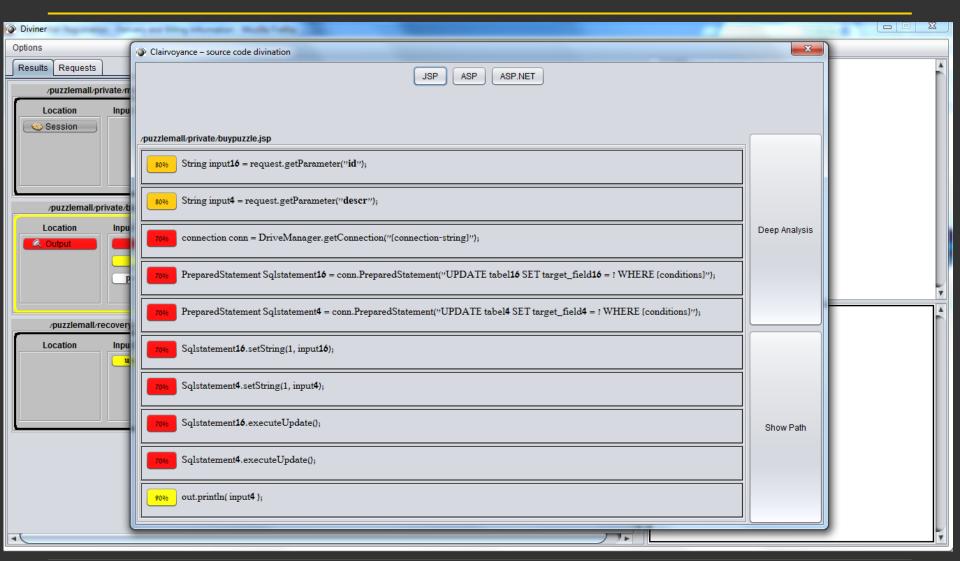
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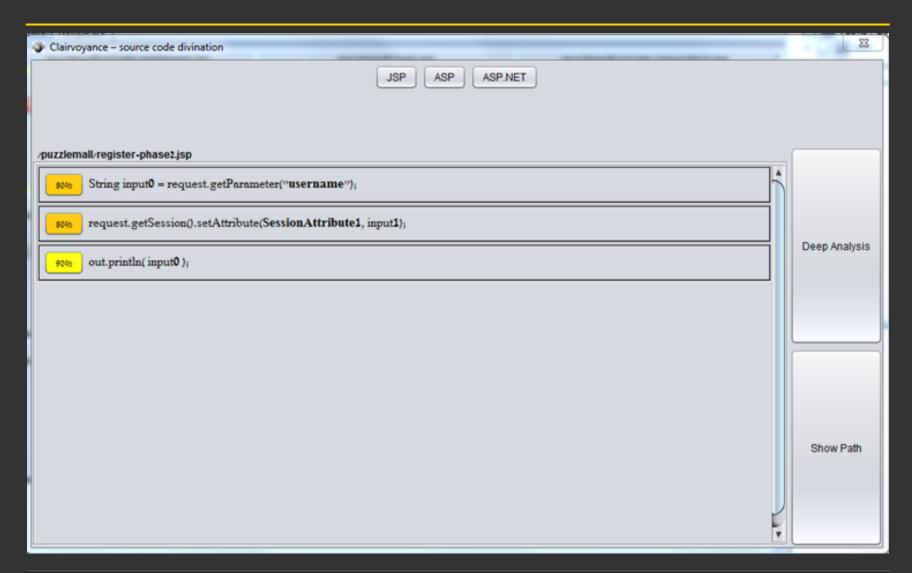
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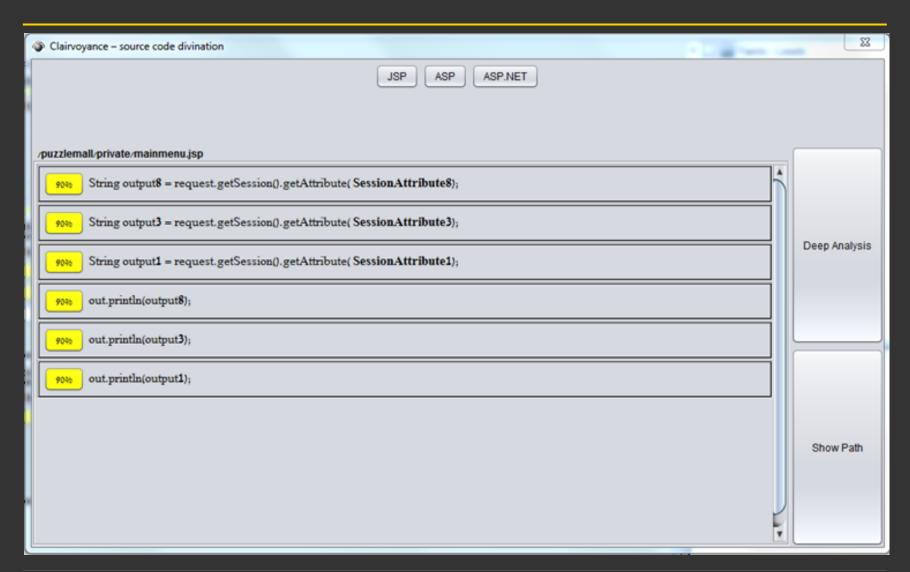
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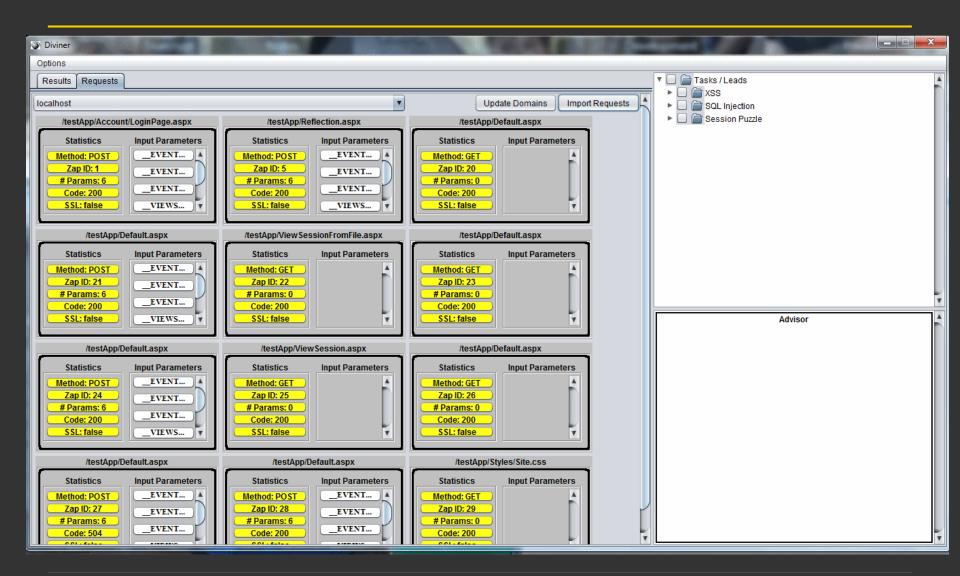
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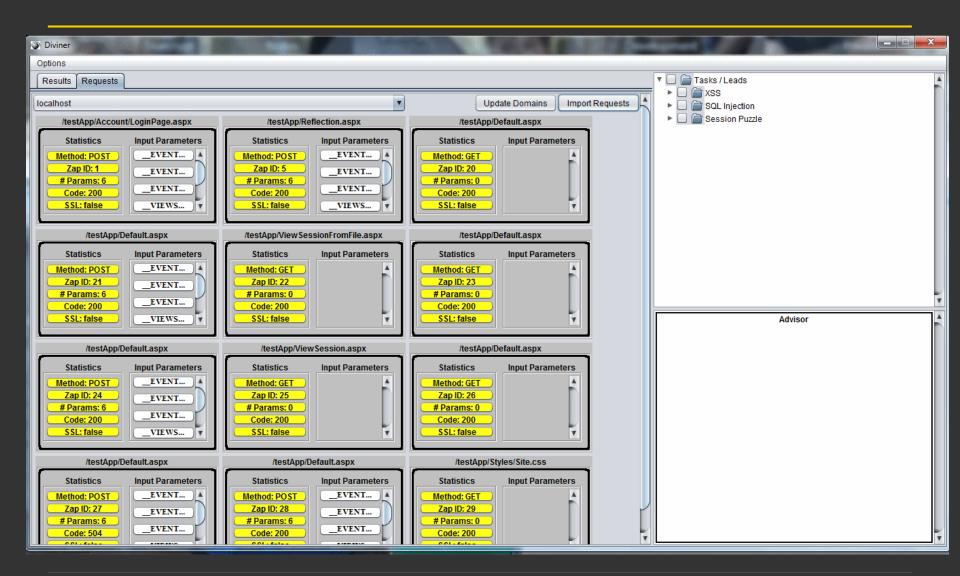
Support Different Technologies







Support Different Technologies







Reap the Rewards Detecting Exposures in Divined Pseudo-code Live Demo!





Reap the Rewards Detecting Exposures in Divined Structure Live Demo!





Reap the Rewards Parameter Specific Manual Detection Recommendations Live Demo!





Reap the Rewards Using the Payload Manager with Diviner Visual Entry Point Presentation Live Demo!





Reap the Rewards Task List Management (Leads) & Attack Flow Advisor Live Demo!





Divination Mechanics







Source Code Divination Mechanics

When entry point behaviors are interpreted to languagespecific pseudo code, one line of code of each "code type" is added (to enable the process to support multiple interpretations for each behavior), for every behavior potential code collection.







Sorting Divined Source Code

The code is initially sorted according to a predefined behavior specific ranking system, but then re-sorted according to the results of designated sort verification processes (delay of service and behavior stack verification).







Source Code Divination – Structure Analysis

- Analyzing the application structure, and tracking the flow of input/output will provide various insights:
 - Component behaviors in normal vs. extreme scenarios:
 - Reaction to different sets of characters (abnormality/exception)
 - Reaction to missing content
 - Direct & Indirect effect of input on different entry points
 - Indirect and Direct output reflection
 - In addition, the locations
 - Input Database storage vs. Session storage
 - Static Variable Storage and Viewstate storage





Source Code Divination – Code Prediction

- Hints on the existence of specific code can be obtained from various sources and behaviors:
 - Application behaviors, such as:
 - Direct & Indirect reflection of input in the output
 - Exceptions or abnormal behaviors caused due to specific characters
 - Abnormal access sequences
 - Response variation
 - Comparing different behaviors
 - Identifying value override junctions







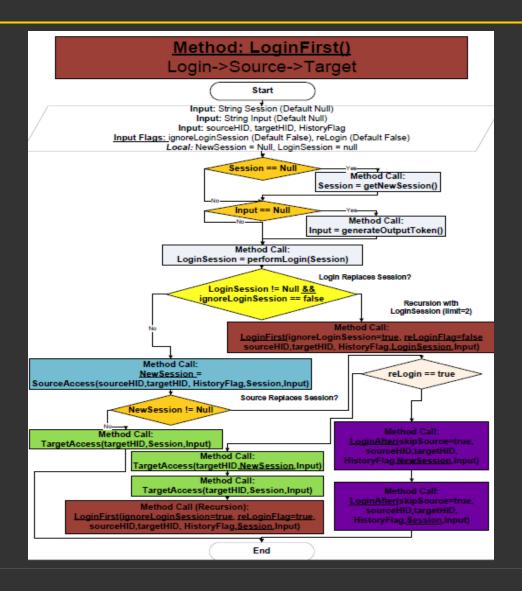
Source Code Divination – Code Prediction

- Source Code Divination Sources (Cont.):
 - Line-targeted Delay Of Service attacks:
 - RegEx DoS
 - Connection Pool Consumption
 - Numeric DoS
 - Magic Hash, Etc.
 - Behavior fingerprinting, alongside various verifications





Twists & Turns







Source Code Divination – Sorting Mechanics

- Sorting the source code can be achieved via:
 - Simultaneous activation of line-targeted Delay of Service attacks, while:
 - Accessing the entry point with an exception generating character, located during the structure mapping phase.
 - Exception & behavior fingerprinting
 - Sending erroneous exceptions in different parameters (exception & behavior priority)
 - Comparing multiple information sources
 - Assigning default sort value to each potential line of code





Intentional Latency Increment (Sorting Code)

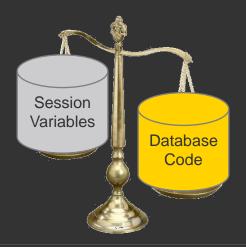
- Delay of Service intentional extension of the productive latency.
- ▶ If the line is delayed then it also exists, and occurs before, after or between other lines of code.





Productive Latency Rules

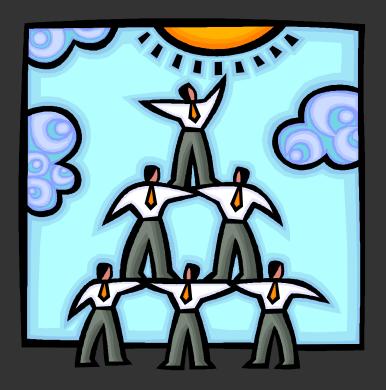
- The ADoS attack must affect the lines of code before, between or after the behavior/exception specific code.
- ➤ For example, a denial of service attack that targets the web server is inefficient (since all the code is affected) while a denial of service attack that targets the database (and thus, the database access code) might be.







Layer Targeted ADoS







Layer Targeted Denial Of Service

- Different lines of code might access different digital layers, such as:
 - Databases
 - Web Services
 - External Servers
 - File Operations.
- Furthermore, malicious payloads can be used to increase the latency of code sections:
 - Regular Expressions
 - Loops
 - Search Criteria.





Increasing Latency with RegEx DoS

- RegEx Dos Payloads can increase the latency of validation and search mechanisms. For example:
 - RegEx: ([a-zA-Z0-9]+)*
 - Input: Admin, aaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaa





Occupying Connections to Increase Latency

- Use an automated script that consistently accesses modules, which use connections from a size-restricted connection pool for querying the database.
 - The script must use a number of threads equal or higher to the maximum connections in the pool.
 - In order to continue occupying connections, each thread should re-access the module again, immediately after getting a response.
 - The script should use less threads then the amount supported by the server.
 - The script should not affect the availability of the server, or any other layer (but the target layer).





Occupying Connections to Increase Latency

Occupying connections will guarantee that code, which requires a database connection, will experience some latency.





And Finally...





Additional Resources

- Diviner Homepage (ZAP 1.4+ Extension)
 - http://code.google.com/p/diviner/
 - Structure and input/output flow visualization
 - Source code & memory structure divination
 - Advisor and task list manager
 - Payload manager integrated with ZAP repeater
- Payload Manager .Net
 - External editor for Diviner's payload manager database
 - Home: http://code.google.com/p/payload-manager/
- OWASP ZAP Proxy:
 - http://code.google.com/p/zaproxy/





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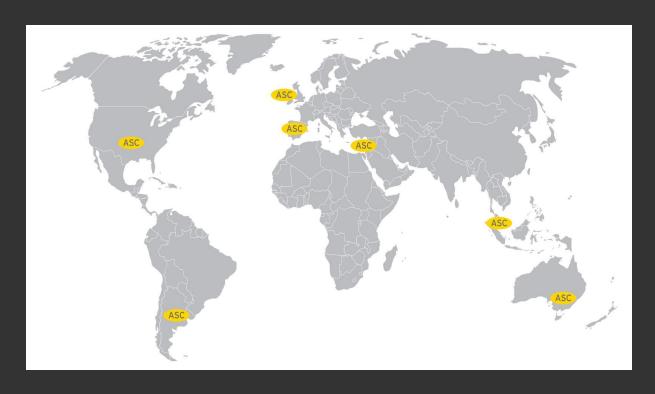
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