

Shift-Left Security with the Security Test Pyramid

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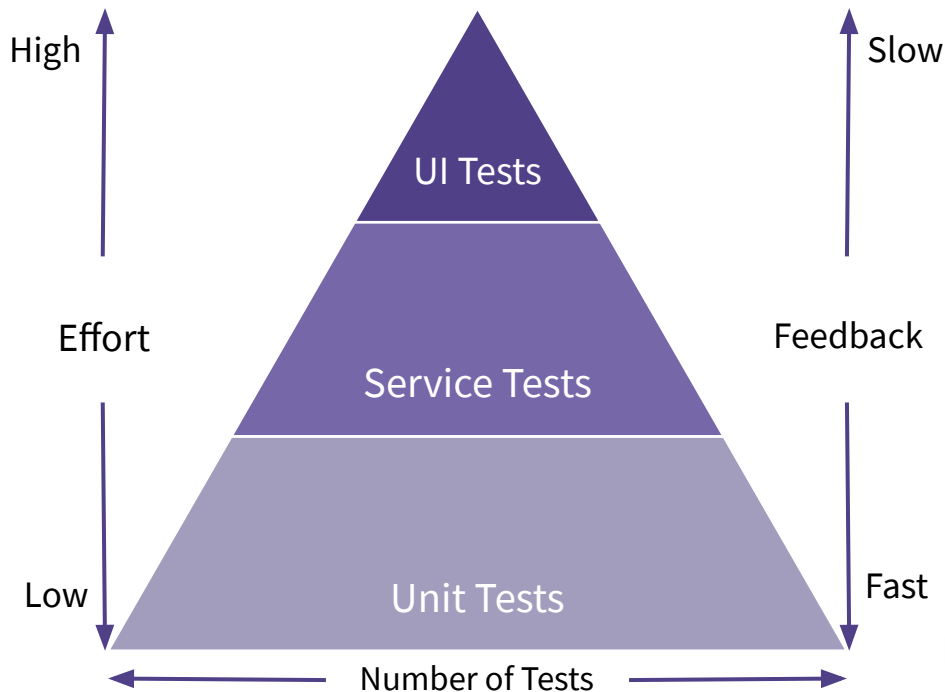
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The Testing Pyramid (by Mike Cohn)

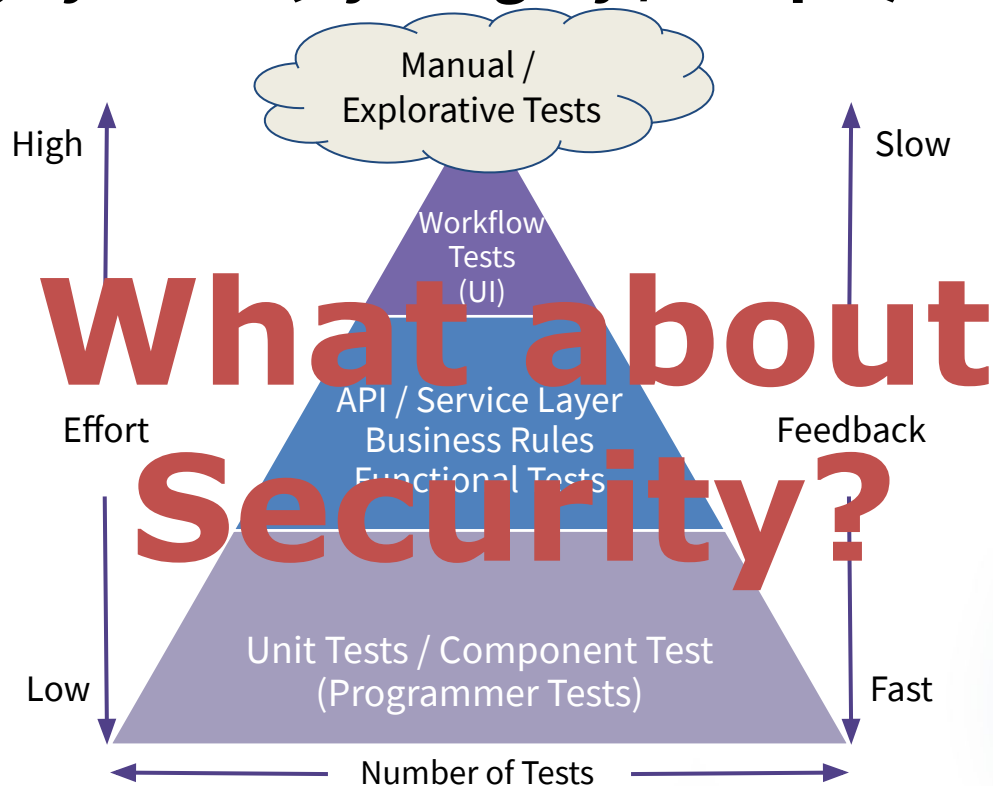


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The Testing Pyramid (by Gregory / Crispin)



<https://agiletester.ca/more-agile-testing-the-book>



OWASP Top 10 - 2021

A01:2021-Broken Access Control

A02:2021-Cryptographic Failures

A03:2021-Injection

A04:2021-Insecure Design

A05:2021-Security Misconfiguration

A06:2021-Vulnerable and Outdated Components

A07:2021-Identification and Authentication Failures

A08:2021-Software and Data Integrity Failures

A09:2021-Security Logging and Monitoring Failures

A10:2021-Server-Side Request Forgery



<https://owasp.org/Top10>



OWASP Top 10 - A04:2021 – Insecure Design

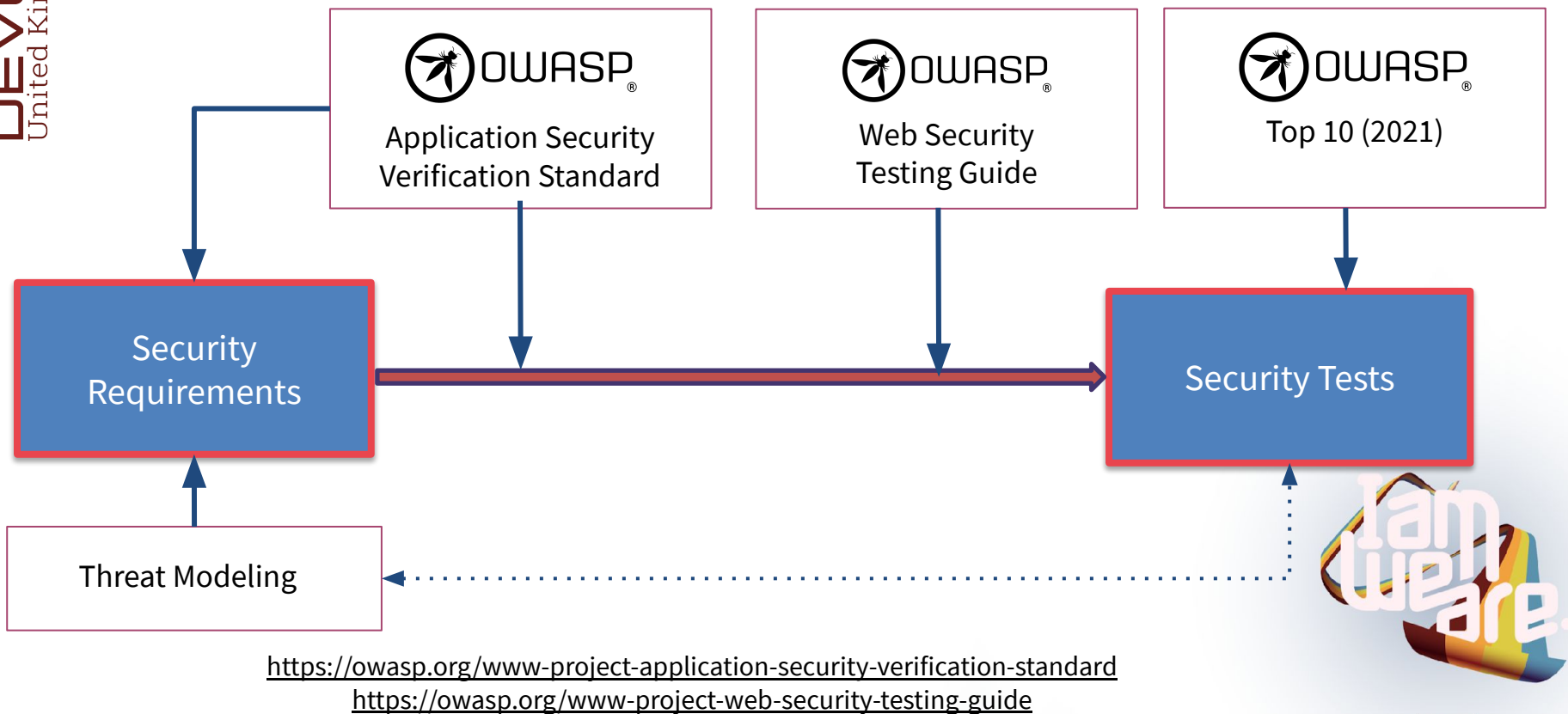


- Use **threat modeling** for critical authentication, access control, business logic, and key flows
- Integrate **security** language and controls into **user stories**
- Write **unit and integration tests** to validate that all critical flows are resistant to the threat model
- Compile **use-cases** and **misuse-cases** for each tier of your application
- ...

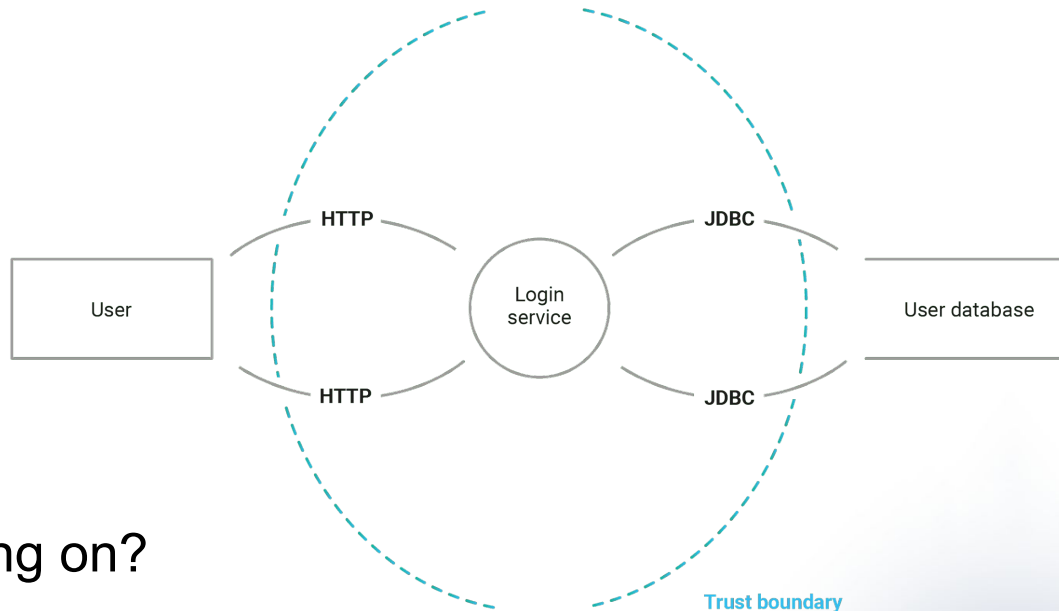
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Derive Tests from Security Requirements



Threat Modeling



Four Key Questions:

1. What are we working on?
2. What can go wrong?
3. What are we going to do about it?
4. Did we do a good enough job?

<https://www.threatmodelingmanifesto.org>



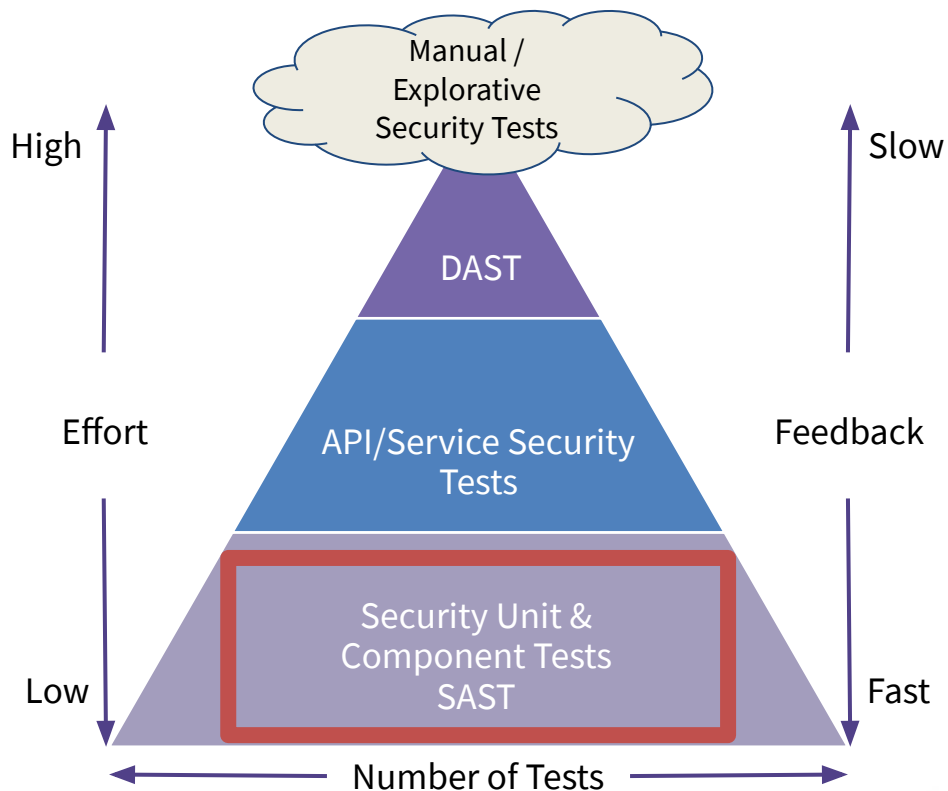
Application Security Verification Standard

	Applicability	Building			Building, Configuration, Deployment Assurance and Verification			Assurance and Verification	
Level 1	All apps		Secure Coding	Standards and checklists	Secure & Peer Code Review	DevSecOps	Unit and Integration Tests	Penetration Testing	DAST
Level 2	All apps	Security Architecture and Reviews	Secure Coding	Standards and checklists	Secure & Peer Code Review	DevSecOps	Unit and Integration Tests	Hybrid Reviews	SAST
Level 3	High Assurance	Security Architecture and Reviews	Secure Coding	Standards and checklists	Secure & Peer Code Review	DevSecOps	Unit and Integration Tests	Hybrid Reviews	SAST
Legend		Acceptable	Suitable						

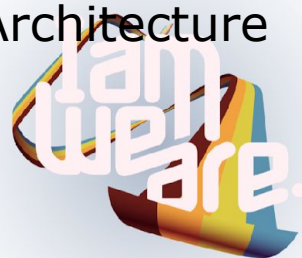
<https://github.com/owasp/asvs>



The Security-Testing Pyramid: Unit Test Layer



- SAST
- No Known Vulnerabilities
 - Dependency Check
 - Container Image Scan
- Unit / Component Tests
 - Injection (Input Validation)
 - Broken Authentication
 - Bypass Business Logic
 - Errors & Logging
 - Secure Architecture



Security on the Unit Testing Layer

- Static Application Security Testing (SAST)
- Secure Architecture
- Broken Authentication (Password Policies)



Static Application Security Testing (SAST)

SAST solutions analyze an application from the "inside out" in a nonrunning state

Some SAST tools:

- SpotBugs (Java/Kotlin - with *Find Security Bugs* plugin)
- SonarQube
- SemGrep
- Snyk Code
- Checkov & Terrascan (Infrastructure as Code)
- Trufflehog (Check git repository for secrets)
- OWASP Dependency Check (Vulnerable Libs)



Testing Secure Architecture & Design

- Violations of Architecture Patterns (Layered, Onion)
- Broken Authentication (e.g. Password Policies)
- Missing Input Validation
- Broken Authorization (No Authz checks)
- Invalid calls to Persistence APIs



V2: Authentication (ASVS)

- **V2.1 Password Security Requirements**

- 2.1.1 Verify that user sets passwords are at least 12 characters in length
- 2.1.2 Verify that passwords 64 characters or longer are permitted but may be no longer than 128 characters
- 2.1.3 Verify that password truncation is not performed
- 2.1.4 Verify that any printable Unicode character is permitted in passwords
- 2.1.7 Verify that passwords are checked against a set of breached passwords

<https://owasp.org/www-project-application-security-verification-standard>

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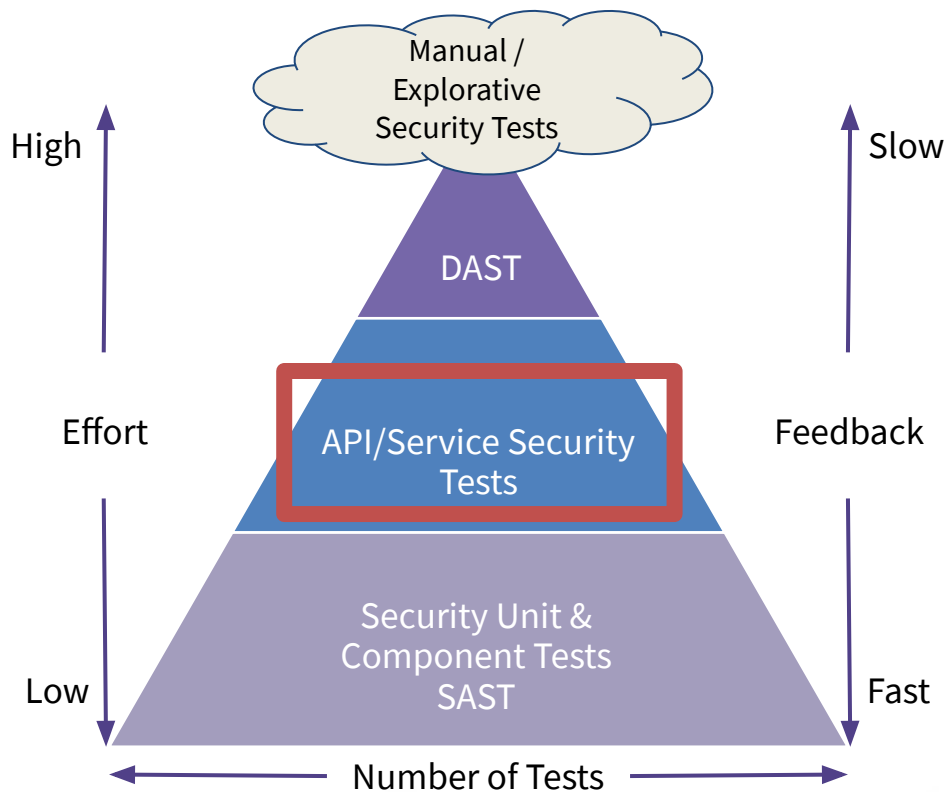
Demo

Unit Test Layer

<https://github.com/andifalk/bookmark-service>



The Security-Testing Pyramid: Service Test Layer



● API / Service Tests

- Input Validation
- Authentication
- Authorization
- Session Management
- Output Escaping (XSS)
- Injection
- Security Misconfiguration



Security on the Service Testing Layer

- Injection (SQL Injections)
- Broken Access Control (Authorization Layers)
- Misconfiguration - Cross Origin Resource Sharing (CORS)



V4: Access Control (ASVS)

- **V4.1 General Access Control Design**

- 4.1.1 Verify that the application enforces access control rules on a trusted service layer, ...
- 4.1.3 Verify that the principle of least privilege exists...
- 4.1.5 Verify that access controls fail securely...



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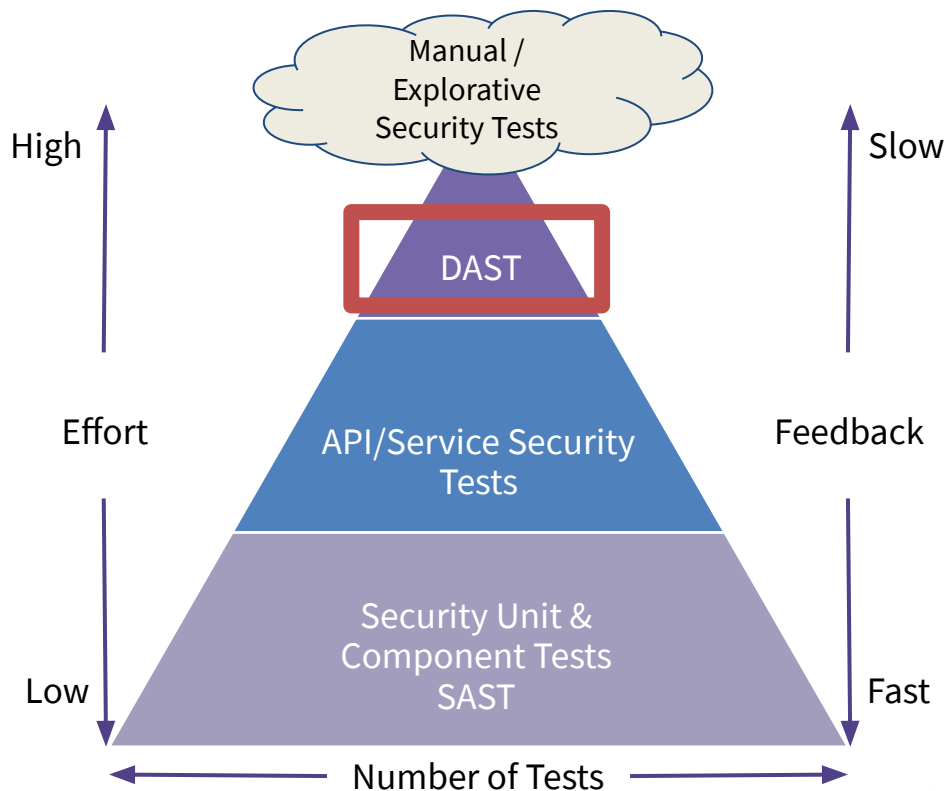
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The Security-Testing Pyramid: DAST



- **Dynamic Application Security Testing (DAST)**

- OWASP Zap / StackHawk
- Portswigger Burp Suite
- SQLMap
- NMap
- Gatling
- ...



Dynamic Application Security Testing



```
$ docker pull owasp/zap2docker-stable
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- Baseline Scan

- Runs the spider and passive scanning:
zap-baseline.py -t https://www.example.com

- API Scan

- Performs active scan against APIs defined by OpenAPI
zap-api-scan.py -t https://example.com/openapi.json -f openapi

- Full Scan

- Runs the ZAP spider and a full active scan (+ opt. ajax scan)
zap-full-scan.py -t https://www.example.com

<https://www.zaproxy.org/docs/docker>



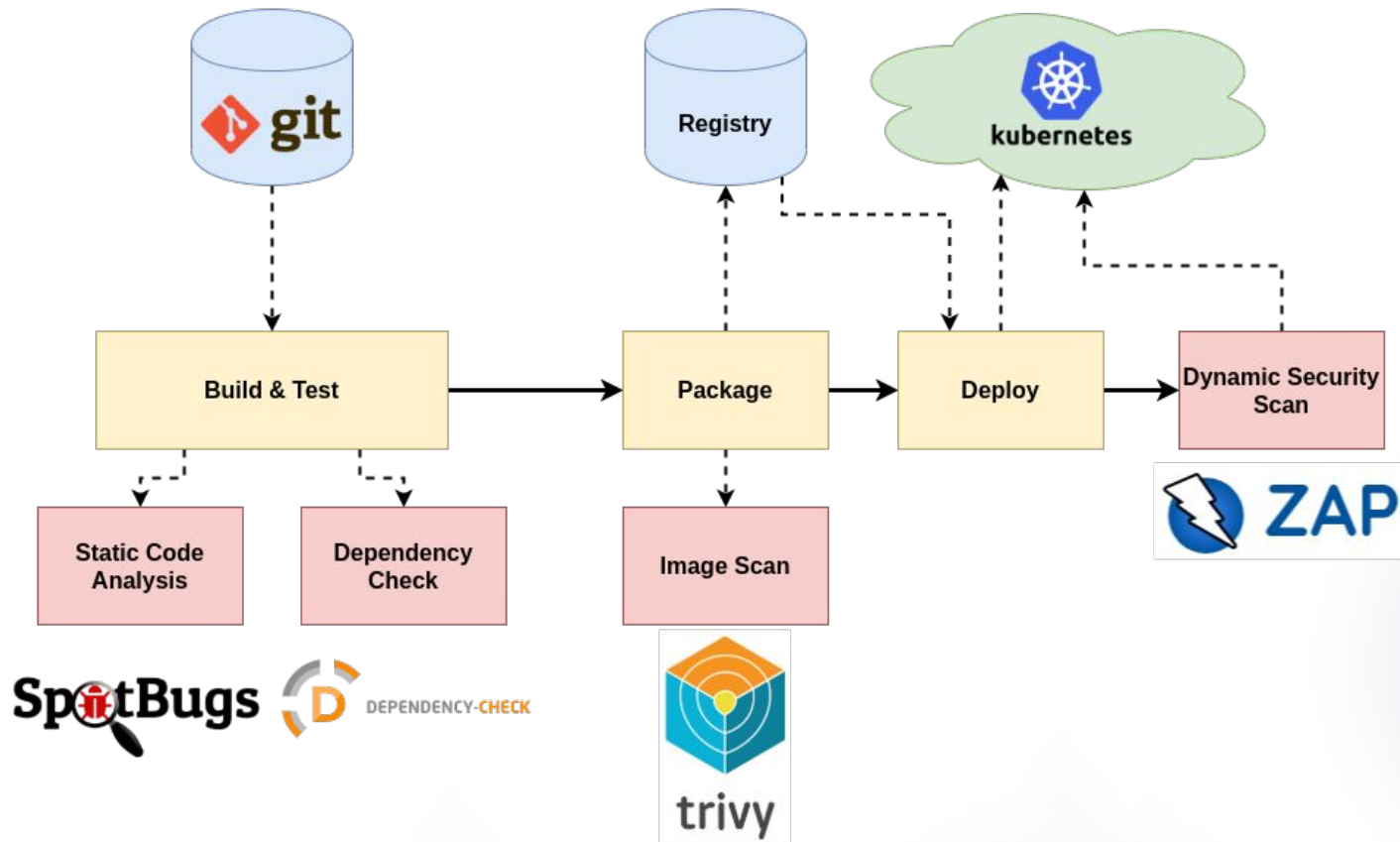
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Dynamic Security Testing Layer

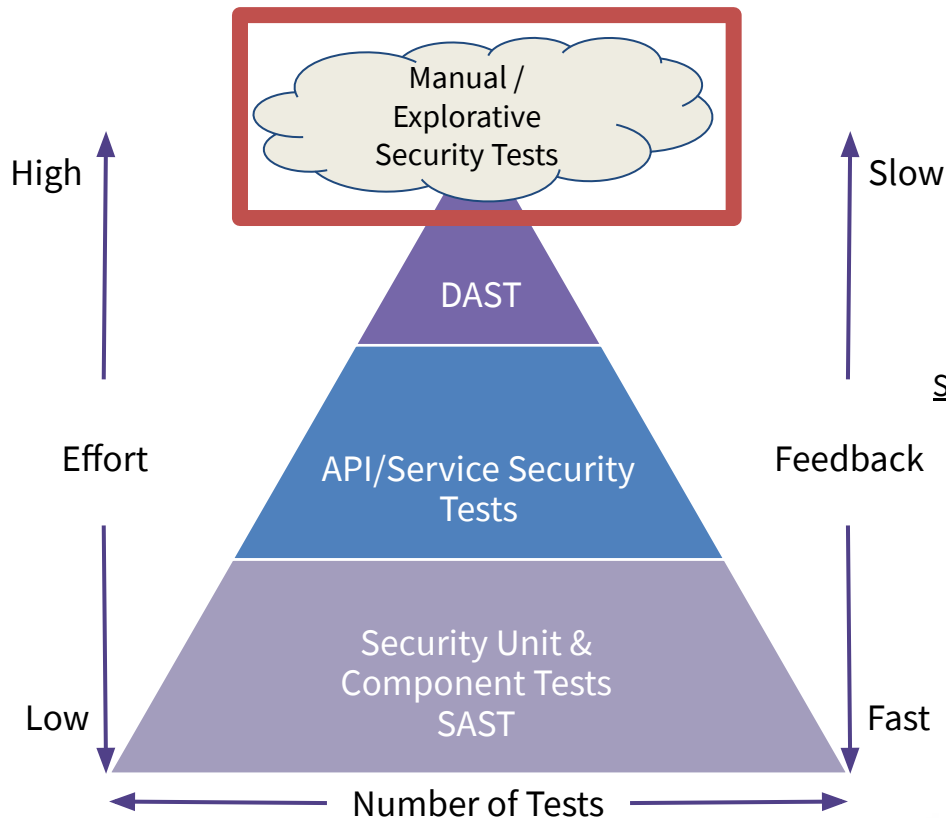
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Automate all the “Security-Verification” Things!



The Security-Testing Pyramid: Explorative Security Tests



- Security Charters
- Security Code Reviews
- Pen-Tests

<https://martinfowler.com/bliki/ExploratoryTesting.html>

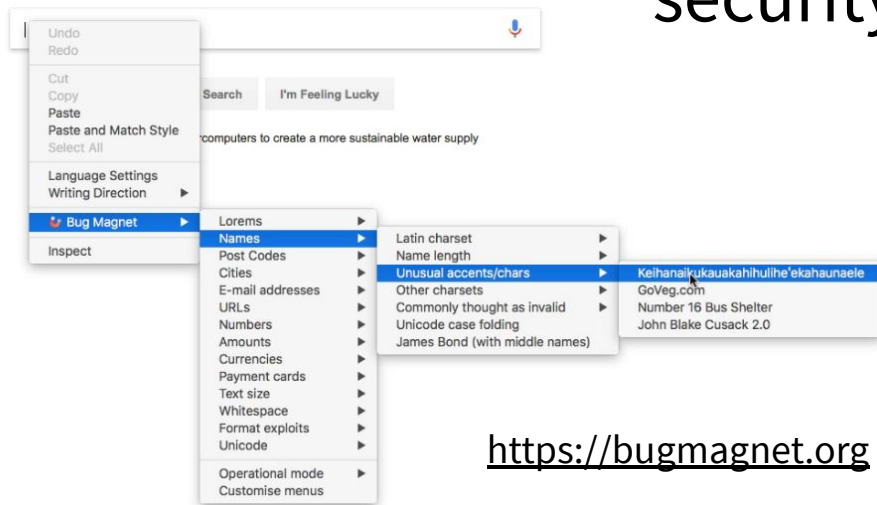
<https://pragprog.com/titles/ehxta/explore-it>

Secure-er Code Reviews with Seth & Ken! - OWASP DevSlop



Explorative Security Tests

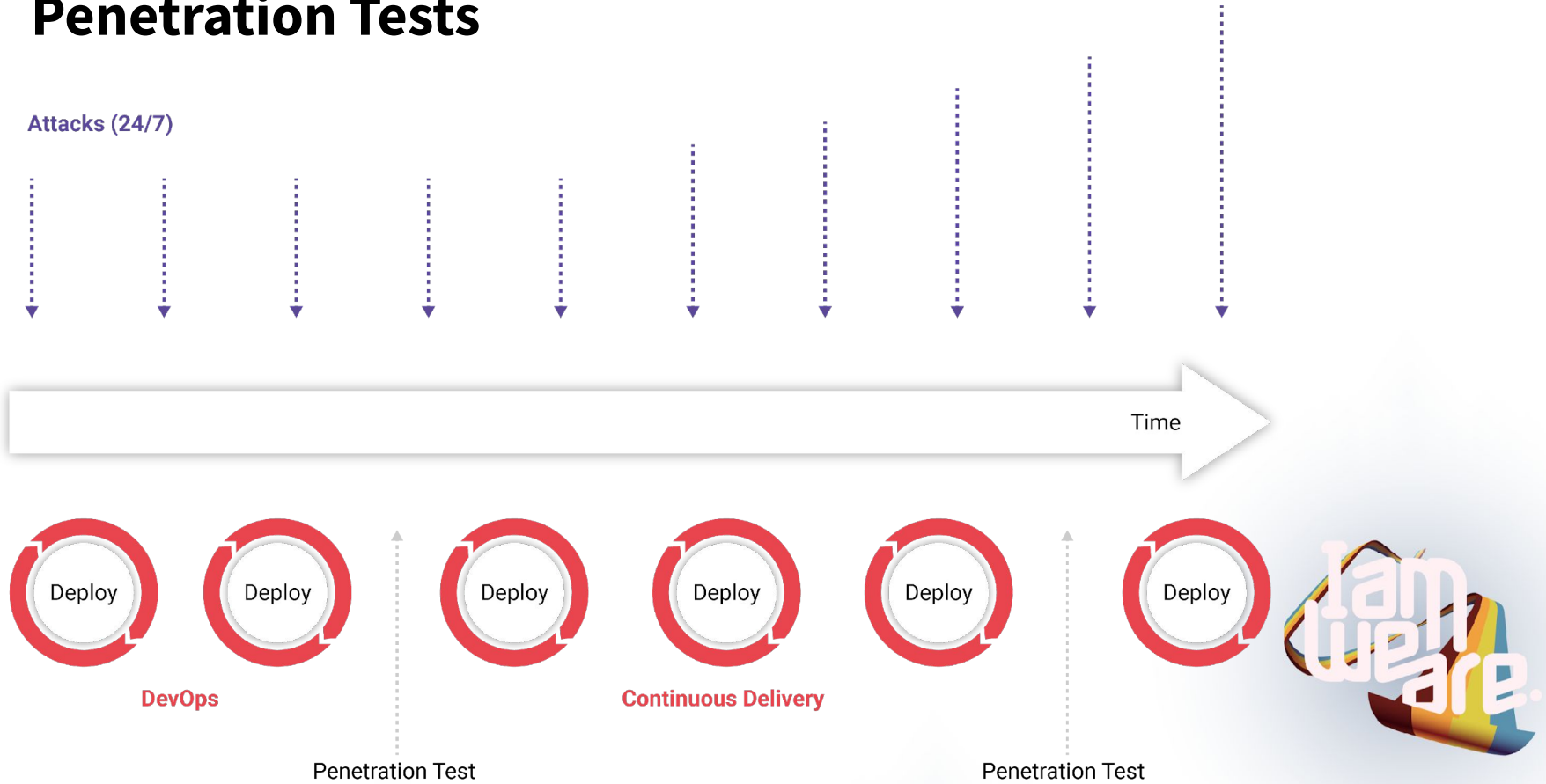
“Explore [*some functionality*]
with injection attacks to discover
security vulnerabilities”



<https://bugmagnet.org>



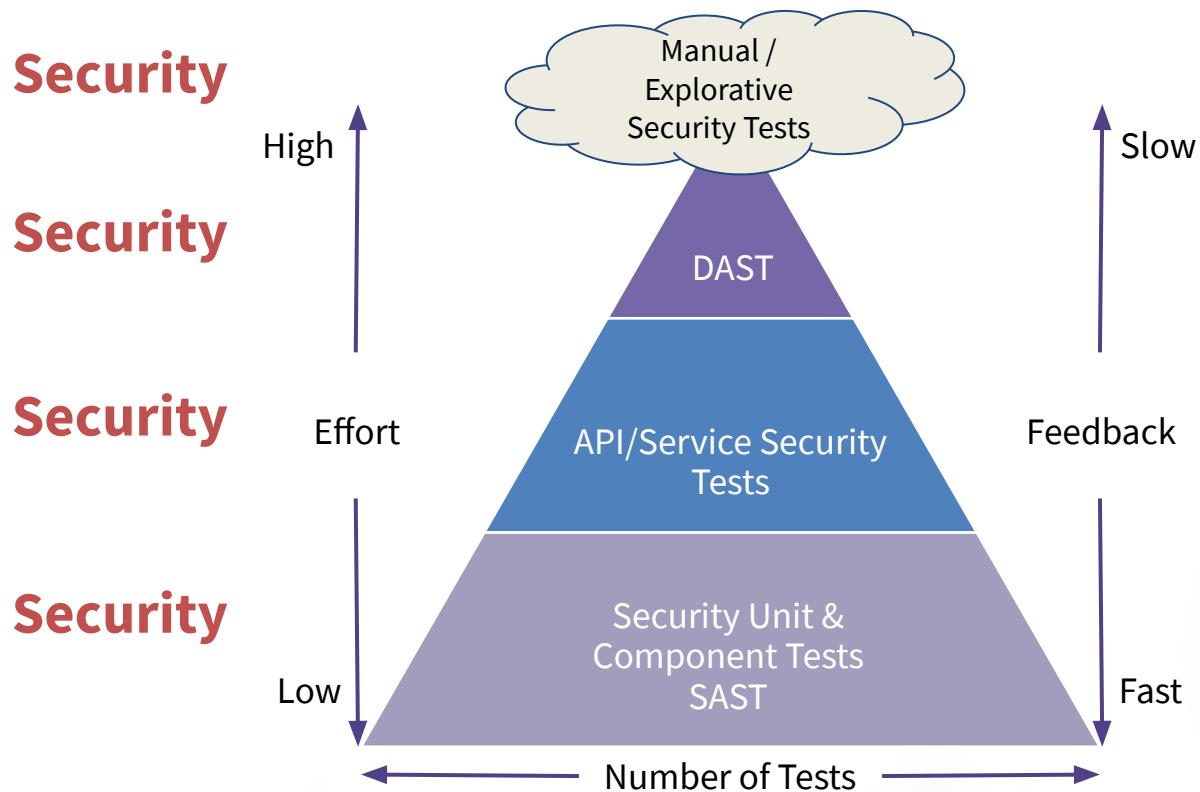
Penetration Tests



Summary



The Security-Testing Pyramid: Security On Every Layer



DevOps - The “Sec” Is Silent



Please Show Some Empathy!



Get all testing code samples:
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