

# Ethical Hacking

Navigating the World of White Hat Security Testing





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## Introduction to Ethical Hacking

Ethical hacking is a proactive approach to cybersecurity, where skilled professionals, known as ethical hackers or white hat hackers, simulate cyberattacks to identify vulnerabilities within an organization's systems, networks, and applications.

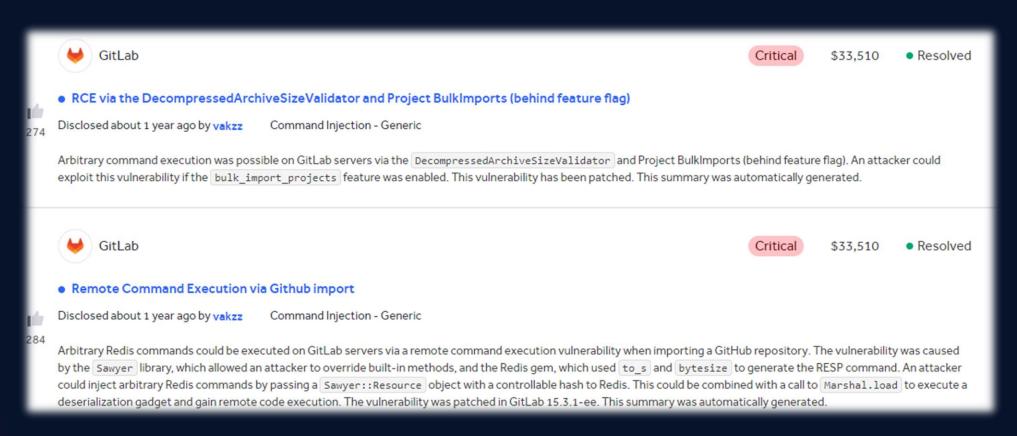






# Introduction to Bug Bounty Hunting

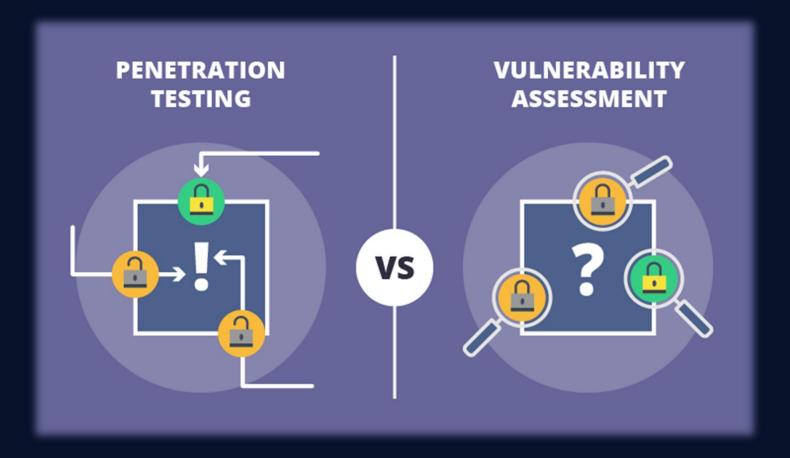
Bug bounty programs have gained popularity as a crowdsourced method for identifying and remediating security vulnerabilities.





## Introduction to Penetration Testing (VAPT)

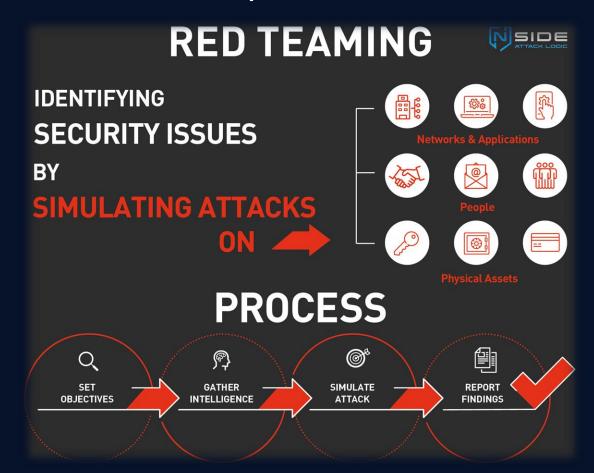
Vulnerability Assessment and Penetration Testing (VAPT) is a systematic approach to evaluating and fortifying an organization's security posture.





## Introduction to Red Teaming

Red teaming goes beyond traditional penetration testing by simulating sophisticated, multi-layered cyberattacks, akin to those launched by skilled adversaries.







## **Ethical Hacking Methodology**

Ethical hacking follows a structured methodology to maximize the efficiency and effectiveness of testing activities.







Standardization is essential for ensuring consistency and repeatability in penetration testing engagements.





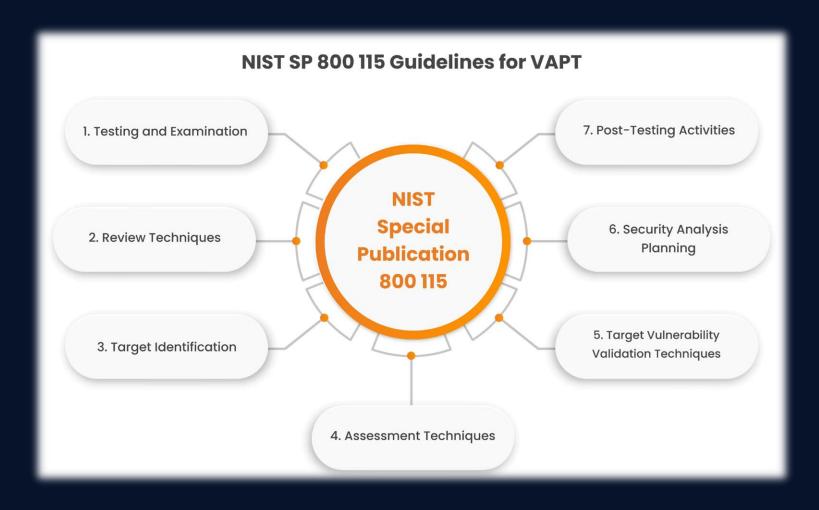
### PTES – Penetration Testing Execution Standard



**Pre-engagement Interactions Intelligence Gathering Threat Modeling Vulnerability Analysis** 4 **Exploitation Post Exploitation** Reporting



## **NIST Special Publication 800-115**





**OWASP – Open Worldwide Application Security Project** 

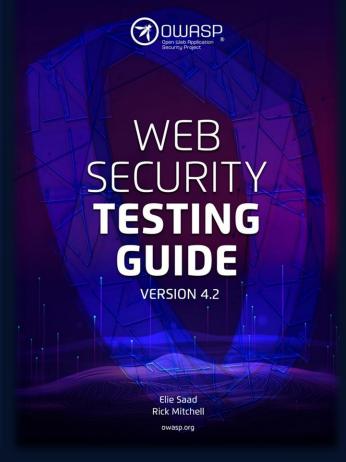
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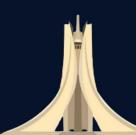
## Penetration Testing – Most Known Tools

Penetration testers leverage a myriad of specialized tools and utilities to facilitate various stages of the testing process.

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-- --=[ 2 evasion
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## **Red Teaming Frameworks**

Red teaming frameworks serve as strategic blueprints for orchestrating sophisticated cyberattacks that closely mimic real-world threats.



Working alongside the UK central Bank, the Bank of England (BoE), CREST has developed a framework to deliver controlled, bespoke, intelligence-led cyber security tests that replicate behaviours of those threat actors, assessed by Government and commercial intelligence providers as posing a genuine threat to systemically important financial institutions. CBEST is the first of initiative of its type to be led by any of the world's central banks.

CBEST differs from other security testing currently undertaken by the financial services sector because it is threat intelligence based, is less constrained and focuses on the more sophisticated and persistent attacks against critical systems and essential services The inclusion of specific cyber threat intelligence will ensure that that the tests replicate as closely as possible the evolving threat landscape and therefore will remain relevant and up to date.

CREST helped to develop the new accreditation standards for CBEST penetration testing, based on the already stringent standards for assessing the capabilities, policies and procedures that CREST member companies have to achieve. CBEST accredited professionals also need to demonstrate extremely high levels of technical knowledge,

**CAST** is a framework introduced by the Hong Kong Monetary Authority ("HKMA") in response to the changing cybersecurity landscape. Under the HKMA Cyber Resilience Assessment Framework, banks which aim to attain the "intermediate" or "advanced" maturity level are required to conduct iCAST. Not only is it a regulatory requirement, intelligence led simulation testing uses real-world scenarios tailored to the target organisation which can demonstrate an organisation's cyber defence capability to the board, help to measure their maturity and stay ahead of the evolving threat landscape.

### iCAST — intelligence-led Cyber Attack Simulation Testing

#### What is the driver?

Financial Services is an increasingly desirable target for well-funded threat actors. Sophisticated malware and botnets are threatening computer networks across a wide range of sectors, in particular the FS industry.

Skilled individuals are working in organised groups and sharing their attack techniques. There is therefore an increased need to gain intelligence on and share these techniques in the white-hat community in order to rapidly develop tests in response to their execution in the wild.

Other regulators have been using threat intelligence-led security testing (e.g. Bank of England CBEST), recognising the systemic risk cyber presents to industry and their responsibilities to oversee its security and resilience.

#### What does it involve?

#### **Project Planning Workshops:** Conduct workshops with our cyber team to define the scope of the

assessment, the targets, and attack scenarios.

#### Survey:

Gather information on the organisation and information from our threat intelligence team which will help to tailor our attack platform to simulate real-world

Exploit vulnerabilities to gain unauthorised access to systems. Simulate actions of a real-world attacker: pivot to additional systems, maintain persistence, and avoid detection.

#### Assess Exposures:

Analyse weaknesses in controls and clean up affected systems. Deliver interactive workshops to feedback results. Evidence gathered throughout the test will also be used to complete a security operations maturity assessment.

Project planning & scoping

Threat intelligence

APT scenario execution

Testing setup

Analysis and Reporting

#### What are the outputs?



#### Threat intelligence report:

Our threat intelligence report will provide an in-depth overview of the current threat landscape based on our research into the organisation's key lines of services, critical assets and ongoing business relationships. Technical details on specific threat actors and scenarios will also be provided.



Security testing report: Our assessment report will provide technical descriptions of the issues found and the recommended risk prioritised remediation actions.

### **Detection and response assessment**

The detection and response assessment report will describe the overall maturity of the organisation's responses relative to the types of attack using our proprietary model. This will include high level commentary of observations made during the assessment.



## **Red Teaming Frameworks**



MITRE ATTACK® is a globally-accessible knowledge base of adversary actics and techniques based on real-world observations. The ATTACK knowledge base is used as a foundation for the development of specific threat models and methodologies in the private sector, in government, and in the cybersecurity product and service community.

With the creation of ATT&CK, MITRE is fulfilling its mission to solve problems for a safer world — by bringing communities together to develop more effective cybersecurity. ATT&CK is open and available to any person or organization for use at no charge.

#### ATT&CK Matrix for Enterprise

	Execution 14 techniques	Persistence 20 techniques	layout: side *	snow sub-techniques hide sub-techniques							
cess			Privilege Escalation 14 techniques	Defense Evasion 43 techniques	Credential Access 17 techniques	Discovery 32 techniques	Lateral Movement 9 techniques	Collection 17 techniques	Command and Control 17 techniques	Exfiltration 9 techniques	Imp
	Cloud Administration Command	Account Manipulation (6)	Abuse Elevation Control Mechanism (5)	Abuse Elevation Control Mechanism (5)	Adversary-in- the-Middle (3)	Account Discovery (4) Application Window	Exploitation of Remote Services	Adversary-in- the-Middle (2)	Application Layer Protocol (4)	Automated Exfiltration (1)	Account Ac Removal
	Command and Scripting Interpreter (9)	BITS Jobs	Access Token Manipulation (5)	Access Token Manipulation (5)	Brute Force (4)	Discovery	Internal	Archive Collected Data (3)	Communication Through Removable Media	Data Transfer Size Limits	Data Destri
ic-		Boot or Logon Autostart Execution (14)			Credentials from Password II Stores (6)	Browser Information Discovery	Spearphishing			Exfiltration Over Alternative Protocol (3)	Data Encry
10-			Account Manipulation (6)	Build Image on Host		Cloud Infrastructure Discovery	Lateral Tool Transfer				Data
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				Debugger Evasion  Deobfuscate/Decode Files or Information		Cloud Service Dashboard				Exfiltration Over C2 Channel	Defacemen
	Deploy Container	Browser n for Extensions cution									Disk Wipe
	Exploitation for Client Execution			Deploy Container		Cloud Service Discovery	Remote		Data	Over Other Ser	Endpoint D
-	Inter-Process	Compromise Client Software Binary		Direct Volume Access		Cloud Storage Object	Services (8)	Clipboard Data	Obfuscation (3)		Service (4)
ľ	Communication (3)		Create or Modify System Process (4) Domain Policy Modification (2)	Domain Policy	Input Capture (4)	Discovery	Replication Through Removable Media Software	Data from Cloud Storage	Dynamic Resolution (t)	Medium (1)	Financial T
	Native API	Create Account (3) Create or Modify System		Modification (2)		Container and Resource Discovery Debugger Evasion		Data from Configuration Repository (2)	Encrypted Channel (2)	Exfiltration Over Physical II Medium (1)	Firmware Corruption
	Scheduled			Execution Guardrails (1)							200000000000000000000000000000000000000
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Red Team: Adversarial Attack
Simulation Exercises

**Guidelines for the Financial Industry In Singapore** 

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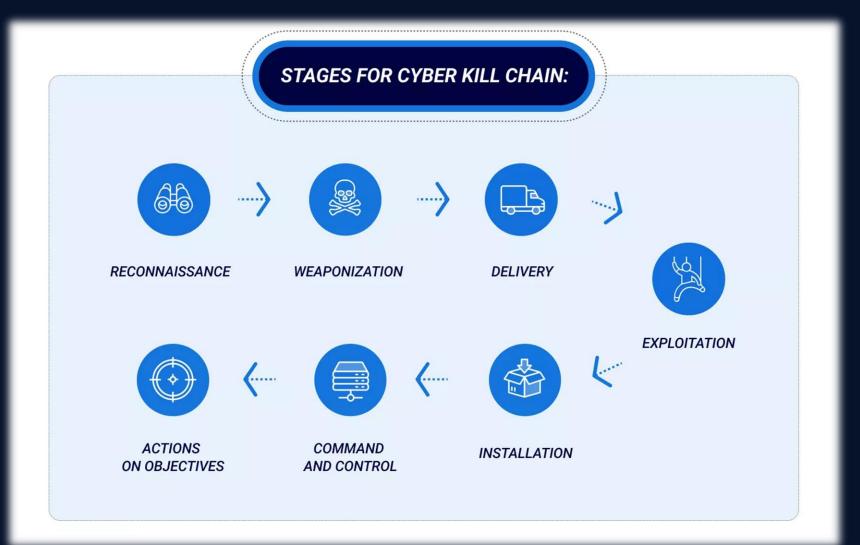
#### **TIBER-EU FRAMEWORK**

How to implement the European framework for Threat Intelligence-based Ethical Red Teaming

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## **Red Teaming Frameworks**



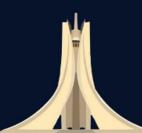


## Reporting

Effective reporting is the cornerstone of any ethical hacking or penetration testing engagement.







# SURPRISE!!









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