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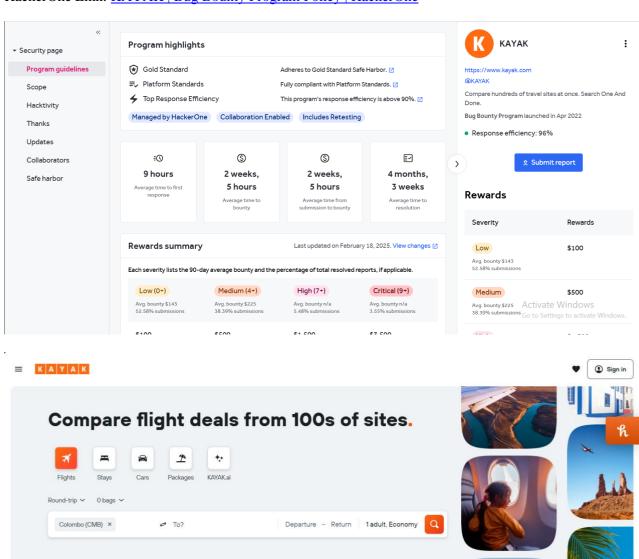
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1. Website Overview

KAYAK - Search Flights, Hotels & Rental Cars

HackerOne Link: KAYAK | Bug Bounty Program Policy | HackerOne





Step 01: Gather Information.

- a. Sub-domain Discovery
 - i. Sublist3r: sublist3r_kayak_results.txt

Tool : Sublist3r

Code: python3 sublist3r.py -d kayak.com -o sublist3r_kayak_results.txt

Explanation:

python3 sublist3r.py - Run the script using python

- -d kayak.com Target domain
- -o sublist3r_kayak_results.txt Output file where the result is saved

```
-] Searching now in Yahoo..
 -] Searching now in Ask..
 -] Searching now in Netcraft..
 -] Searching now in DNSdumpster..
[-] Searching now in SSL Certificates..
[-] Searching now in PassiveDNS...
Process DNSdumpster-8:
Traceback (most recent call last):
  File "/usr/lib/python3.13/multiprocessing/process.py", line 313, in _bootstrap
    self.run()
  File "/home/kali/Desktop/Sublist3r/sublist3r.py", line 268, in run
    domain_list = self.enumerate()
  File "/home/kali/Desktop/Sublist3r/sublist3r.py", line 647, in enumerate
    token = self.get_csrftoken(resp)
  File "/home/kali/Desktop/Sublist3r/sublist3r.py", line 641, in get_csrftoken
    token = csrf_regex.findall(resp)[0]
IndexError: list index out of range
[±] Saving results to file: sublist3r_|
[+] Total Unique Subdomains Found: 275
buttermilk.affiliate.kayak.com
help.affiliates.kayak.com
signupapi.affiliates.kayak.com
www.ar.kayak.com
www.at.kayak.com
urlaubsguru.at.kayak.com
                                                                                Activate V
backoffice.kayak.com
```

www.kayak.com 1pass-scim-bridge.kayak.com affiliate.kayak.com buttermilk.affiliate.kayak.com carrots.affiliate.kayak.com peanuts.affiliate.kayak.com affiliates.kayak.com help.affiliates.kayak.com signupapi.affiliates.kayak.com agoda.kayak.com agodaapp.kayak.com ami.kayak.com www.ar.kayak.com at.kayak.com www.at.kayak.com urlaubsguru.at.kayak.com au-rt-wp.kayak.com backoffice.kayak.com backpackers.kayak.com www.be.kayak.com booking.kayak.com business.kayak.com business-booking.kayak.com c4.kayak.com primer.c4.kayak.com wp.primer.c4.kayak.com c5.kayak.com primer.c5.kayak.com wp.primer.c5.kayak.com c6.kayak.com ca.kayak.com www.ca.kayak.com business.ca.kayak.com ca-fr-rt-wp.kayak.com ca-rt-wp.kayak.com cashbackil.kayak.com cc.kayak.com cheapflights.kayak.com cn.kayak.com www.cn.kayak.com comcast.kayak.com commerce.kayak.com www.cz.kayak.com de.kayak.com www.de.kayak.com m.de.kayak.com secure.de.kayak.com www.secure.de.kayak.com derekstravelsite.kayak.com dk.kayak.com www.dk.kayak.com www.dk.kayak.com ebates.kayak.com email.kayak.com es.kayak.com www.es.kayak.com es-rt-wp.kayak.com

espanol.kayak.com

ii. Subfinder: subfinder_kayak_result.txt

Tool : Subfinder

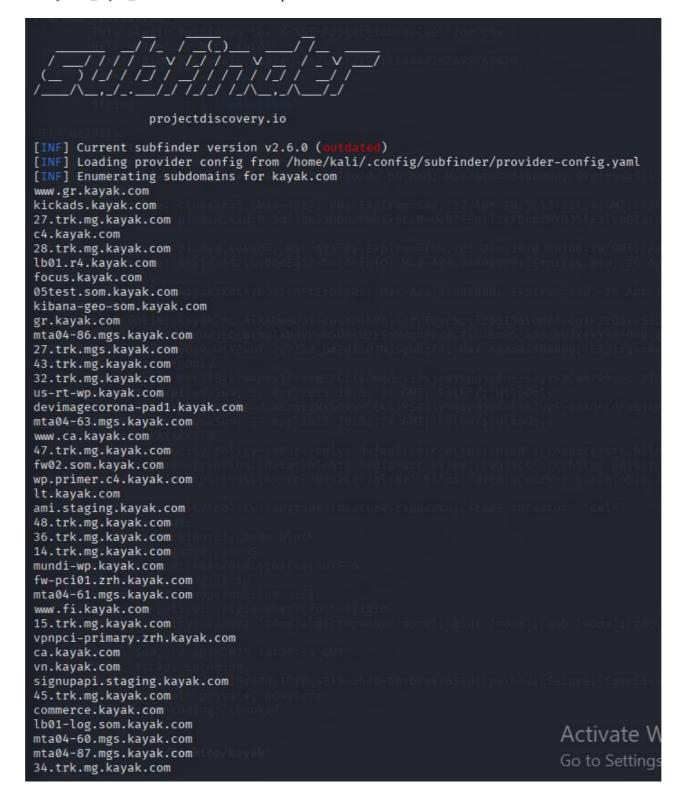
Code: subfinder -d kayak.com -o subfinder_kayak_result.txt

Explanation:

subfinder - run subfinder too

l -*d* kayak.com - Mention the target website

-o subfinder_kayak_result.txt - Mention the output file



ww.gr.kayak.com

kickads.kayak.com

27.trk.mg.kayak.com

c4.kayak.com

28.trk.mg.kayak.com

lb01.r4.kayak.com

focus.kayak.com

05test.som.kayak.com

kibana-geo-som.kayak.com

gr.kayak.com

mta04-86.mgs.kayak.com

27.trk.mgs.kayak.com

43.trk.mg.kayak.com

32.trk.mg.kayak.com

us-rt-wp.kayak.com

devimagecorona-pad1.kayak.com

mta04-63.mgs.kayak.com

www.ca.kayak.com

47.trk.mg.kayak.com

fw02.som.kayak.com

wp.primer.c4.kayak.com

lt.kayak.com

ami.staging.kayak.com

48.trk.mg.kayak.com

36.trk.mg.kayak.com

14.trk.mg.kayak.com

mundi-wp.kayak.com

fw-pci01.zrh.kayak.com

mta04-61.mgs.kayak.com

www.fi.kayak.com

15.trk.mg.kayak.com

vpnpci-primary.zrh.kayak.com

ca.kayak.com

vn.kayak.com

signupapi.staging.kayak.com

45.trk.mg.kayak.com

commerce.kayak.com

lb01-log.som.kayak.com

mta04-60.mgs.kayak.com

mta04-87.mgs.kayak.com

34.trk.mg.kayak.com

au-rt-wp.kayak.com

jvmarena.zrh.kayak.com

fw02-primary.som.kayak.com

on.kayak.com

fi.kayak.com

optimise.kayak.com

business.kayak.com

opentable.kayak.com

primer.c4.kayak.com

11.trk.mg.kayak.com

backoffice.kayak.com

www.privatesale.kayak.com

14test.som.kayak.com

de.kayak.com

39.trk.mg.kayak.com

01test.som.kayak.com

help.affiliates.kayak.com

b. Live Subdomain Discovery

Tool : httpx: livesub_results.txt

Code: httpx-toolkit -l subfinder_kayak_result.txt -o livesub_results.txt

Explanation:

httpx-toolkit - run the httpx tool

-l subfinder_kayak_result.txt - mention the file containing input -o livesub_results.txt - mention the file which should write the output

```
v1.1.5
                projectdiscovery.io
Use with caution. You are responsible for your actions.
Developers assume no liability and are not responsible for any misuse or damage.
https://1.support.kayak.com
https://affiliate.kayak.com
https://auth.zrh.kayak.com
https://backoffice.kayak.com
https://au-rt-wp.kayak.com
https://at.kayak.com
https://ca-fr-rt-wp.kayak.com
https://ca-rt-wp.kayak.com
https://lpass-scim-bridge.kayak.com
https://c6.kayak.com
https://ami.staging.kayak.com
https://ami.kayak.com
https://cheapflights.kayak.com
https://cn.kayak.com
https://business-booking.kayak.com
https://commerce.kayak.com
https://de.kayak.com
https://comcast.kayak.com
https://derekstravelsite.kayak.com
https://devimagecorona-pad1.kayak.com
https://cc.kayak.com
https://ca.kayak.com
https://es.kayak.com
https://focus.kayak.com
https://ex.kayak.com
https://c5.x1.kayak.com
https://console.kayak.com
https://backpackers.kayak.com
https://espanol.kayak.com
https://business.kayak.com
https://expe.kayak.com
https://fi.kayak.com
https://carrots.affiliate.kayak.com
https://affiliates.kayak.com
https://business.ca.kayak.com
https://buttermilk.affiliate.kayak.com
https://fw-pci02.zrh.kayak.com
https://fw-pci01.zrh.kayak.com
https://dk.kayak.com
                                                                           Activate
https://api.travel.kayak.com
https://agodaapp.kayak.com
                                                                           Go to Setting
https://c4.x1.kayak.com
```

https://1.support.kayak.com https://affiliate.kayak.com https://auth.zrh.kayak.com

https://backoffice.kayak.com https://au-rt-wp.kayak.com

https://at.kayak.com

https://ca-fr-rt-wp.kayak.com https://ca-rt-wp.kayak.com

https://1pass-scim-bridge.kayak.com

https://c6.kayak.com

https://ami.staging.kayak.com

https://ami.kayak.com

https://cheapflights.kayak.com

https://cn.kayak.com

https://business-booking.kayak.com

https://commerce.kayak.com

https://de.kayak.com

https://comcast.kayak.com

https://derekstravelsite.kayak.com

https://devimagecorona-pad1.kayak.com

https://cc.kayak.com

https://ca.kayak.com

https://es.kayak.com

https://focus.kayak.com

https://ex.kayak.com

https://c5.x1.kayak.com

https://console.kayak.com

https://backpackers.kayak.com

https://espanol.kayak.com

https://business.kayak.com

https://expe.kayak.com

https://fi.kayak.com

https://carrots.affiliate.kayak.com

https://affiliates.kayak.com

https://business.ca.kayak.com

https://buttermilk.affiliate.kayak.com

https://fw-pci02.zrh.kayak.com

https://fw-pci01.zrh.kayak.com

https://dk.kayak.com

https://api.travel.kayak.com

https://agodaapp.kayak.com

https://c4.x1.kayak.com

https://fw01.zrh.kayak.com

https://fw02-primary.zrh.kayak.com

https://fw02.zrh.kayak.com

https://fw02-secondary.zrh.kayak.com

https://gr.kayak.com

https://click.notification.kayak.com

https://click.k4b.kayak.com

https://fw-vpn01.zrh.kayak.com

https://agoda.kayak.com

https://c4.kayak.com

https://c5.kayak.com

https://hotels.kayak.com

https://click.compare.kayak.com

https://il.kayak.com

https://jvmarena.zrh.kayak.com

https://it-rt-wp.kayak.com

c. IP Discovery

Tool: nslookup: nslookup_result.txt

Code: since we whole file with subdomains, to find IP addresses using "nslookup" we need to make a loop until all the Ips of all the subdomains are found.

```
while read sub; do
echo "Looking up: $sub" >> nslookup_result.txt
nslookup "$sub" | awk '/^Name:|^Address:/' >> nslookup_result.txt
echo "-----" >> nslookup_result.txt
done < livesub results.txt
```

Explanation:

While read sub; do - start of the loop

Echo "Looking up: \$sub">>nslookup_result.txt - print message "Looking up: subdomain" into the file "nslookup_result.txt"

nslookup "\$sub" | awk '/Name: |^Address:/' >> nslookup_result.txt - run the nslookup command echo "_____ ">> nslookup_result.txt - separate one subdomain details from another done < livesub_results.txt - End the loop and continue until the lines in the livesub_results.txt

```
-(kali@kali)-[~/Desktop/kayak]
  -(kali⊗kali)-[~/Desktop/kayak]
s cat nslookup_result.txt
Looking up: https://l.support.kayak.com
Address: 192.168.43.93#53
Looking up: https://affiliate.kayak.com
            192.168.43.93#53
Address:
Looking up: https://auth.zrh.kayak.com
Address: 192.168.43.93#53
Looking up: https://backoffice.kayak.com
Address: 192.168.43.93#53
Looking up: https://au-rt-wp.kayak.com
Address: 192.168.43.93#53
Looking up: https://at.kayak.com
            192.168.43.93#53
Looking up: https://ca-fr-rt-wp.kayak.com
             192.168.43.93#53
Looking up: https://ca-rt-wp.kayak.com
Address: 192.168.43.93#53
Looking up: https://lpass-scim-bridge.kayak.com
          192.168.43.93#53
Address:
Looking up: https://c6.kayak.com
Address: 192.168.43.93#53
Looking up: https://ami.staging.kayak.com
         192.168.43.93#53
Looking up: https://ami.kayak.com
Address: 192.168.43.93#53
Looking up: https://cheapflights.kayak.com
Address:
            192.168.43.93#53
Looking up: https://cn.kayak.com
             192.168.43.93#53
Looking up: https://business-booking.kayak.com
             192.168.43.93#53
Address:
Looking up: https://commerce.kayak.com
              192.168.43.93#53
Address:
```

IP list:

Looking up: https://1.support.kayak.com

Address: 192.168.43.93#53

Looking up: https://affiliate.kayak.com

Address: 192.168.43.93#53

Looking up: https://auth.zrh.kayak.com

Address: 192.168.43.93#53

Looking up: https://backoffice.kayak.com

Address: 192.168.43.93#53

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Looking up: https://at.kayak.com Address: 192.168.43.93#53

Looking up: https://ca-fr-rt-wp.kayak.com

Address: 192.168.43.93#53

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Looking up: https://cheapflights.kayak.com

Address: 192.168.43.93#53

Looking up: https://cn.kayak.com Address: 192.168.43.93#53

Looking up: https://business-booking.kayak.com

Address: 192.168.43.93#53

Looking up: https://commerce.kayak.com

Address: 192.168.43.93#53

Looking up: https://de.kayak.com Address: 192.168.43.93#53

d. Open Ports

Tool: nmap: nmap_result.txt

Code: nmap -sV -A -v -O kayak.com -oN nmap_results.txt

Explanation:

nmap - start the tool

-sV - Service and version detection

-A - OS detection, version detection, script scanning

-*v* - increase verbosity level

-O - Os detection

- kayak.com - target website

-oN nmap_results.txt - result in an output text file

```
–(<mark>kali⊛kali</mark>)-[~/Desktop/kayak]
Starting Nmap 7.95 ( https://nmap.org ) at 2025-04-27 22:22 +0530
NSE: Loaded 157 scripts for scanning.
NSE: Script Pre-scanning.
Initiating NSE at 22:22
Completed NSE at 22:22, 0.00s elapsed
Initiating NSE at 22:22
Completed NSE at 22:22, 0.00s elapsed
Initiating NSE at 22:22
Completed NSE at 22:22, 0.00s elapsed
Initiating Ping Scan at 22:22
Scanning kayak.com (151.101.1.29) [4 ports]
Completed Ping Scan at 22:22, 0.04s elapsed (1 total hosts)
Initiating Parallel DNS resolution of 1 host, at 22:22
Completed Parallel DNS resolution of 1 host. at 22:22, 0.08s elapsed Initiating SYN Stealth Scan at 22:22
Scanning kayak.com (151.101.1.29) [1000 ports] Discovered open port 554/tcp on 151.101.1.29
Discovered open port 443/tcp on 151.101.1.29
Discovered open port 21/tcp on 151.101.1.29
Discovered open port 1723/tcp on 151.101.1.29
Discovered open port 80/tcp on 151.101.1.29
Discovered open port 5060/tcp on 151.101.1.29
Completed SYN Stealth Scan at 22:22, 6.30s elapsed (1000 total ports)
Initiating Service scan at 22:22, 6.30s elapsed (1000 total ports)

Initiating Service scan at 22:22

Scanning 6 services on kayak.com (151.101.1.29)

Completed Service scan at 22:22, 5.01s elapsed (6 services on 1 host)

Initiating OS detection (try #1) against kayak.com (151.101.1.29)

Retrying OS detection (try #2) against kayak.com (151.101.1.29)

Initiating Traceroute at 22:23

Completed Traceroute at 22:23
Completed Traceroute at 22:23, 0.02s elapsed
Initiating Parallel DNS resolution of 2 hosts. at 22:23
Completed Parallel DNS resolution of 2 hosts. at 22:23, 13.01s elapsed
NSE: Script scanning 151.101.1.29.
Initiating NSE at 22:23
Completed NSE at 22:23, 22.79s elapsed
Initiating NSE at 22:23
Completed NSE at 22:25, 92.75s elapsed
Initiating NSE at 22:25
Completed NSE at 22:25, 0.01s elapsed
Nmap scan report for kayak.com (151.101.1.29)
Host is up (0.0078s latency).
Other addresses for kayak.com (not scanned): 151.101.129.29 151.101.193.29 151.101.65.29 2a04:4e42:400::285 2a04:4e
42:600::285 2a04:4e42::285 2a04:4e42:200::285
Not shown: 994 filtered tcp ports (no-response)
PORT STATE SERVICE
21/tcp open tcpwrapped
80/tcp open tcpwrapped
443/tcp open tcpwrapped
                                       VERSION
   ssl-cert: Subject: commonName=kayak.com
                                                                                                              Activate Windows
   Subject Alternative Name: DNS:kayak.com
   Issuer: commonName=R11/organizationName=Let's Encrypt/countryName=US
   Public Key type: rsa
```

e. Used Technologies

Tool: whatweb - whatweb kayak result.txt

Code: whatweb -v kayak.com > whatweb_result.txt

Explanation:

whatweb - start whatweb tool

-v - verbose

kayak.com - target website

> whatweb_result.txt - file with the output

```
-(kali®kali)-[~/Desktop/kayak]
(kall) [~/Desktop/Rayak]

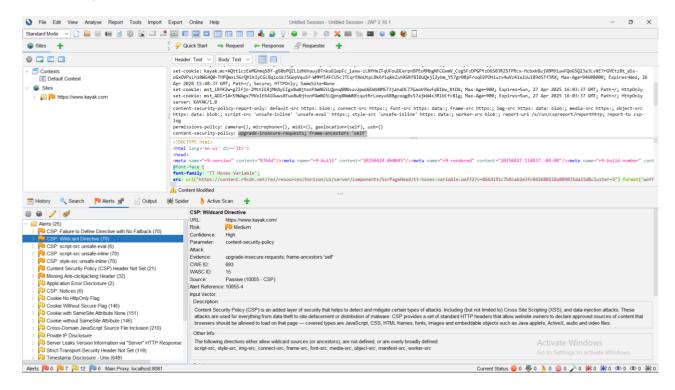
$ whatweb -v kayak.com --o whatweb_kayak_result.txt
WhatWeb report for http://kayak.com
Status : 301 Moved Permanently
Title : 301 Moved Permanently
            : 151.101.129.29
Summary : HTTPServer[Varnish], RedirectLocation[https://www.kayak.com/], UncommonHeaders[retry-after,x-served-by,x-cache-hits], Varnish, Via-Proxy[1.1 varnish]
Detected Plugins:
[ HTTPServer ]
HTTP server header string. This plugin also attempts to
          identify the operating system from the server header.
                          : Varnish (from server string)
[ RedirectLocation ]
          HTTP Server string location. used with http-status 301 and
          String
[ UncommonHeaders ]
          Uncommon HTTP server headers. The blacklist includes all
           the standard headers and many non standard but common ones.
          Interesting but fairly common headers should have their own plugins, eg. x-powered-by, server and x-aspnet-version.
Info about headers can be found at www.http-stats.com
                          : retry-after,x-served-by,x-cache-hits (from headers)
[ Varnish ]
          Varnish is an HTTP accelerator written in C designed for
          content-heavy dynamic web sites. In contrast to other HTTP
          accelerators, such as Squid, which began life as a
client-side cache, or Apache, which is primarily an origin
server, Varnish was designed from the ground up as an HTTP
          accelerator.
          Website : http://www.varnish-cache.org/
           This plugin extracts the proxy server details from the Via
          param of the HTTP header.
          String
                          : 1.1 varnish
HTTP Headers:
          HTTP/1.1 301 Moved Permanently
          Connection: close
                                                                                               Activate Windows
          Content-Length: 448
          Server: Varnish
Retry-After: 0
```

3. Step 02: Scanning and vulnerability identification

a. Identify Potential Vulnerabilities

Tool: OWASP ZAP

Vulnerability : CSP: Wildcard Directive



CSP: Wildcard Directive:

URL: https://www.kayak.com/

Risk: Medium Confidential: High

Parameter: content-security-policy

Attack:

Evidence: upgrade-insecure-requests; frame-ancestors 'self'

CWE ID: 693 WASC ID: 15

Source: Passive (10055 - CSP)

Input Vector:

- **Description**: Content Security Policy (CSP) is an added layer of security that helps to detect and mitigate certain types of attacks. Including (but not limited to) Cross Site Scripting (XSS), and data injection attacks. These attacks are used for everything from data theft to site defacement or distribution of malware. CSP provides a set of standard HTTP headers that allow website owners to declare approved sources of content that browsers should be allowed to load on that page covered types are JavaScript, CSS, HTML frames, fonts, images and embeddable objects such as Java applets, ActiveX, audio and video files.
- Other Info: The following directives either allow wildcard sources (or ancestors), are not defined, or are overly broadly defined: script-src, style-src, img-src, connect-src, frame-src, font-src, media-src, object-src, manifest-src, worker-src
- **Solution**: Ensure that your web server, application server, load balancer, etc. is properly configured to set the Content-Security-Policy header.
- Reference:
 - o https://www.w3.org/TR/CSP/
 - o https://caniuse.com/#search=content+security+policy

- o https://content-security-policy.com/
- o https://github.com/HtmlUnit/htmlunit-csp
- o https://developers.google.com/web/fundamentals/security/csp#policy_applies_to_a_wide_variety_of_resources

• Alert Tags:

- o OWASP_2021_A05: https://owasp.org/Top10/A05_2021-Security_Misconfiguration/
- CWE-693: https://cwe.mitre.org/data/definitions/693.html
- OWASP_2017_A06: https://owasp.org/www-project-top-ten/2017/A6_2017-Security_Misconfiguration.html

b. CSP: Wildcard Directive

CSP: Wildcard Directive refers to the use of the * (wildcard) character in a Content Security Policy (CSP), allowing content to be loaded from any origin. While CSP is designed to restrict and control the sources from which a website loads resources, using wildcards weakens its protection, making the application vulnerable to attacks like Cross-Site Scripting (XSS), data injection, and content hijacking.

Cause of Absence of Anti-CSRF Tokens in a website:

- Using * (wildcard) in directives like script-src, img-src, style-src, or connect-src
- Allowing all external domains without validating trusted sources
- Misunderstanding the security risks associated with wildcards in CSP
- Prioritizing ease of development over strict security enforcement
- Not updating CSP policies after adding third-party services (like CDNs, analytics)
- Auto-generating CSP policies without reviewing or customizing them properly

Propositions to Mitigation or Fix:

- Avoid Wildcards: Specify exact trusted domains in CSP directives instead of using *
- Use Strict CSP Directives: Limit allowed sources using specific protocols (https:) and domains
- Subresource Integrity (SRI): Use SRI for externally loaded scripts and styles to ensure their integrity
- Separate Critical Content: Load highly trusted scripts and styles from your own controlled domains
- Implement CSP Nonces or Hashes: Use nonces ('nonce-xyz') or hashes ('sha256-...') to allow specific inline scripts safely
- Regularly Review and Update CSP: Continuously monitor and adjust your CSP as your web app evolves
- Test CSP Policies: Use tools like CSP Evaluator or browser developer tools to verify the strictness and correctness of CSP settings

4. Step 03: Exploitation and Validation

Request:

```
GET https://www.kayak.com/ HTTP/1.1
host: www.kayak.com
user-agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 10.0; Win64; x64) AppleWebKit/537.36 (KHTML, like Gecko) Chrome/131.0.0.0 Safari/537.36
pragma: no-cache
cache-control: no-cache
```

Response:

```
set-cookle: kayak.mc-AQTTLcZEdMohmqSBY-g60bPQZL1dH6hauy8Tnku6lepfc_jaxw-zLHfHeZFqUFouDCerpnBPERMbgHFCGxmV_Csg5zDPGPY205593RZSTPRcx-HcbxkBuJVBM9JuxFqx05023a3LVXE7rOVFtz8t_a5s-ookxUvp3h18Mx040p-TMPpmxLSGrQHLkJyccL8qiolx15GepVauxF-AWMFEAFCUSCJTCqrEHoUtpLBk6FlqkkZuhXGRf8lauQejI2ybm_YSgr08pFroq02PQHuzv4wZ41a1Uu189dSTf3RX, Max-Age-946808000; Expires-Wed, 26 Apr 2028 15:48:37 GMT; Path-y; Secure; HITPONJy; Sames*Lew-International Control of the Control of the
```

5. Step 04: Mitigation / Fix

Immediate Mitigation Actions:

1. Define Strict CSP Directives

Long Term Prevention:

- 1. Automate CSP Generation using tools like <u>Report-URI</u> or <u>CSP Evaluator</u>.
- 2. Integrate CSP checks into CI/CD