

*"If you could grep the contents of every file
on GitHub, what would you do?"*

Using BigQuery to find (and fix!) bugs in
GitHub projects.

Who even am I?

GitHub Public Dataset!

2.2 trillion files (master@HEAD, in most cases)

Commit information (diffs, hashes, author, committer,)

File *contents* (2.2TB; excludes > 1MB files)

1. Files (repo, file id, path, metadata)
2. Commits (ref, hashes, diff, parent, author, committer)
3. Contents (file id, file contents for all files < 1MiB)
4. Languages (repo, lang. name, bytes)
5. Licenses (repo, license)

Why BigQuery?



```
~ bq query 'SELECT
dataset_id,
table_id,
row_count,
size_bytes
FROM
`bigquery-public-data.github_repos.__TABLES__`
ORDER BY
row_count DESC,
size_bytes DESC'
```

dataset_id	table_id	row_count	size_bytes
github_repos	files	2287437607	340898815933
github_repos	contents	255149733	2376496065261
github_repos	commits	222868780	789922381206
github_repos	sample_files	72879442	10722663446
github_repos	languages	3353696	205272194
github_repos	licenses	3353696	109080210
github_repos	sample_contents	2905870	25812254485
github_repos	sample_commits	672309	2676919179
github_repos	sample_repos	400000	13130351

results := BigQuery GitHub public dataset + codeWeWantToFind + regularExpressions

Why not GitHub's search API?



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```
22         return hex.EncodeToString(securecookie.GenerateRandomKey(32))
23     }
24
25     func GeneratePaymentId() string {
26         return hex.EncodeToString(securecookie.GenerateRandomKey(16))
27     }
28
29     func GenerateAssetId() string {
30         return hex.EncodeToString(securecookie.GenerateRandomKey(16))
```



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```
10 func main() {
11     key := securecookie.GenerateRandomKey(64)
12     if key == nil {
13         panic("Key not generated sucessfully")
14     }
15     fmt.Println(base64.StdEncoding.EncodeToString(key))
16     key = securecookie.GenerateRandomKey(64)
```



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```
6     "github.com/gorilla/securecookie"
```

Accidentally, Ephemeral Keys



```
func main() {  
    // The result of our key generation is never stored.  
    var store = sessions.NewCookieStore(securecookie.GenerateRandomKey(32))  
  
    // rest of program  
    r := mux.NewRouter()  
    r.HandleFunc("/", someHandler)  
    // etc.  
}
```

- Key generation is hard; securely storing keys is harder.
- Original documentation favored convenience
- Users were generating "accidentally ephemeral" keys.

Let's use everybody's favorite tool: regex!

- Capturing cases where keys are generated as a function argument
- Doesn't aim to capture all cases.
- We extract the full line for added context.

```
SELECT
  repo_name,
  path,
  line
FROM (
  SELECT
    id,
    repo_name,
    path
  FROM
    `bigquery-public-data.github_repos.files`
  WHERE
    path LIKE "%.go") AS files
JOIN (
  SELECT
    id,
    REGEXP_REPLACE(
      REGEXP_EXTRACT(content, r".*\(securecookie\.GenerateRandomKey\(\d+\)\)"),
      r"^(?:\t+|\s+)", "") AS line
  FROM
    `bigquery-public-data.github_repos.contents`
  WHERE
    REGEXP_CONTAINS(content, r"\w+\(securecookie\.GenerateRandomKey\(\d+\)\)")
    AND binary = FALSE) AS contents
ON
  files.id = contents.id
GROUP BY
  repo_name,
  path,
  line
```

wait about 35 seconds

- 247 results
- Lots of struct members
- Handful of clones/forks
- LOTS of vendored code (we'll get to this later...)

Query results

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Query complete (0.020 sec elapsed, cached)

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Row	repo_name	path	line
1	lukevers/sorbet	user.go	[]byte(securecookie.GenerateRandomKey(64))
2	Term1nal/kittens	user.go	[]byte(securecookie.GenerateRandomKey(64))
3	lukevers/chitchat	user.go	[]byte(securecookie.GenerateRandomKey(64))
4	svigne1/gophish	auth/auth.go	[]byte(securecookie.GenerateRandomKey(64))
5	atsuyim/gophish	auth/auth.go	[]byte(securecookie.GenerateRandomKey(64))

Rows per page:

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Show build data

```
82     // Create new session store
83     store = sessions.NewFilesystemStore(
84         // Path to sessions
85         *sessionsPath,
86
87         // Secret key with strength set to 64
88         []byte(securecookie.GenerateRandomKey(64)),
89     )
90 }
```

```
25     }
26     cookiestore = sessions.NewCookieStore(securecookie.GenerateRandomKey(32))
27 }
```

What else?


- Number of projects that have adopted Go Modules?
- Using the wrong hash functions (MD5, SHA-family) on passwords?
- Who's pinning my module at an old version? (helping consumers upgrade)

```
~ bq query 'SELECT
  MAX(EXTRACT(date
    FROM
      Timestamp)) AS date,
  ModuleCount,
  FORMAT("%.1f%%", ROUND((ModuleCount / LAG(ModuleCount) OVER (ORDER BY ModuleCount) * 100 - 100), 1)) as WeekOverWeek

FROM
  `golang.module_count`
GROUP BY
  ModuleCount
ORDER BY
  date ASC'
```

date	ModuleCount	WeekOverWeek
2018-08-23	262	NULL
2018-08-30	289	10.3%
2018-09-06	417	44.3%
2018-09-13	495	18.7%
2018-09-20	562	13.5%
2018-09-27	623	10.9%
2018-10-04	665	6.7%
2018-10-18	707	6.3%
2018-10-21	821	16.1%

- 60% adoption.
- Wonder why?
- Assumption: the purpose of go.sum is unclear, despite its usefulness.




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go_dot_sum go_dot_mod	
+-----+-----+	
495 821	
+-----+-----+	

- Caveat: modules are still experimental as of Go 1.11
- There are still seemingly a lot of bugs with more complex repositories: repos with existing v2.0+ tags and a non `"/v2"` import path.
 - Future: inspect Go Modules for known-bad pinned versions.

- MD5: not the right way to "hash" passwords.
- SHA-1, SHA-2 only slightly "less worse" here.
- Should use a Key Derivation Function (KDF) that "stretches" input (see: scrypt)
- Mix of developers who either don't know any better, or don't care to understand.

Goal:

- Find code that calls (e.g.) `md5.Sum` or `sha.Sum`*
- Based on variable naming semantics, determine mis-use
- Help educate those maintainers (and protect their users)



```
WHERE
  REGEXP_CONTAINS(content, r'(?i:.*(?:md5|sha)(?:256|512)?\.Sum(?:256|512|512_224|512_256|512_384)?\
  ((?:pass|passwd|password|pw)\.)*')
  AND binary = FALSE) AS contents
```

- Not perfect, but a good indicator
- Could "fork" this idea and look at misuse of cryptographic hashes as psuedo-HMACs
- ... or even too-short keys & params for the right constructs, like bcrypt.

We've found a bunch of bugs. OK, good.

But how do we help them?



```
~ issue-maker --from-file=ephemeral_keys_20181021.csv --template=keys.tmpl --issue-title="API mis-use with key generation"
```

```
ts=2018-10-21T12:34:56Z msg="dry-run is ENABLED. Pass --no-dry-run to create issues."
```

```
ts=2018-10-21T12:34:56Z msg="parsed 247 repos from 'ephemeral_keys_20181021.csv'"
```

```
ts=2018-10-21T12:34:58Z msg="template 'keys.tmpl' OK"
```

```
ts=2018-10-21T12:35:00Z msg="GitHub token is valid"
```

```
ts=2018-10-21T12:34:56Z msg="creating 247 issues"
```

```
ts=2018-10-21T12:34:56Z msg="completed"
```

Pinned versions in go.mod?



```
SELECT
  id,
  REGEXP_REPLACE( REGEXP_EXTRACT(content, r".+gorilla\/mux"), r"^(?:\t+|\s+)", "") AS repo,
  REGEXP_REPLACE( REGEXP_EXTRACT(content, r"(?:.+gorilla\/mux).*(v.+)", r"^(?:\t+|\s+)", "") AS
version
```

Query complete (16.319 sec elapsed, 2.41 TB processed)

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Row	repo_name	path	repo	version
1	micromdm/scep	go.mod	github.com/gorilla/mux	v1.4.0
2	euskadi31/go-server	go.mod	github.com/gorilla/mux	v1.5.0
3	moul/protoc-gen-gotemplate	go.mod	github.com/gorilla/mux	v1.5.0
4	cespare/pastedown	go.mod	"github.com/gorilla/mux	v1.6.1
5	fern4lvarez/piladb	go.mod	"github.com/gorilla/mux	v1.6.1
6	bketelsen/captainhook	go.mod	require "github.com/gorilla/mux	v1.6.1
7	pingcap/pd	go.mod	github.com/gorilla/mux	v1.6.1
8	keratin/authn-server	go.mod	github.com/gorilla/mux	v1.6.1
9	google/go-cloud	go.mod	github.com/gorilla/mux	v1.6.1
10	bcspragu/Radiotation	go.mod	github.com/gorilla/mux	v1.6.2
11	unprofession-al/bpmon	go.mod	github.com/gorilla/mux	v1.6.2
12	micromdm/micromdm	go.mod	github.com/gorilla/mux	v1.6.2
13	gernest/utron	go.mod	github.com/gorilla/mux	v1.6.2

- Better understand usage of your APIs
- Help pinned (and/or vendored!) repos upgrade
- Not just public GitHub repos: consider mirroring your company's source code into tools like BigQuery.

Thanks!

Contact:

[@elithrar](#) on Twitter (taking suggestions for things to find + can help you craft queries)

<https://goo.gl/2DMszH> for a Gist with my queries as a Jupyter Notebook