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Building an AppSec Program with a Budget of \$0: Beyond the OWASP Top 10

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Agenda

1. Traditional application security programs
2. The importance of security community
3. Building a program based on OWASP
 - Awareness and education
 - Process and measurement
 - Tools
4. Final thoughts

Traditional AppSec programs



People



Process



Tools

Goals of an AppSec Program

- 1. Limit vulnerabilities in deployed code**
- 2. Build secure software and teach developers to build secure software**
- 3. Provide processes and tools for AppSec standardization**
- 4. Demonstrate software security maturity through metrics and assessment**

NOTE

NO
BUDGET



Large budget

Small budget



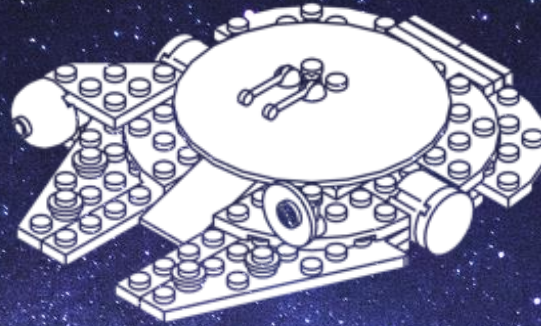


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Security Champions



Goal: Educate about product security and embed expertise within every product team.



**Flagship
Projects: 13**



**Lab
Projects: 35**



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**Incubator
Projects: 49**

Scale of project risk

| Rating | Explanation |
|--------|---|
| 0 | The only way this goes away is if owasp.org disappears off the Internet |
| 1-3 | Stable project, multiple releases, high likelihood of sustainability |
| 4-6 | Newer project, fewer releases |
| 7-9 | Older project with a lack of updates within the last year |
| 10 | If I added one of these to this project, I should have my head examined |



NOTICE

Use OWASP projects with caution. There is no guarantee that a project will ever be updated again.

The categories



Awareness, knowledge,
and education



Process and
measurement



Tools



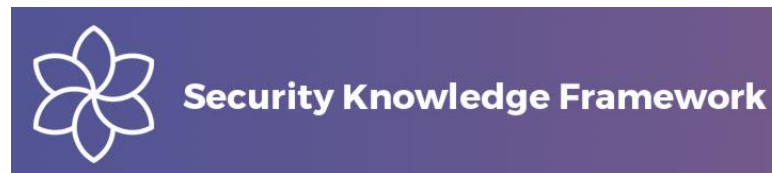
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Awareness, knowledge and education

OWASP Top 10 - 2017

The Ten Most Critical Web Application Security Risks

OWASP Automated Threat Handbook Web Applications



A1:2017-Injection

A2:2017-Broken Authentication

A3:2017-Sensitive Data Exposure

A4:2017-XML External Entities (XXE)

A5:2017-Broken Access Control

A6:2017-Security Misconfiguration

A7:2017-Cross-Site Scripting (XSS)

A8:2017-Insecure Deserialization

A9:2017-Using Components with Known Vulnerabilities

A10:2017-Insufficient Logging & Monitoring

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Awareness

Risk of using project 2



**C1 Define
Security
Requirements**

**C2 Leverage
Security
Frameworks and
Libraries**

**C3 Secure
Database Access**

**C4 Encode and
Escape Data**

**C5 Validate All
Inputs**

**C6 Implement
Digital Identity**

**C7 Enforce
Access Control**

**C8 Protect Data
Everywhere**

**C9 Implement
Security Logging
and Monitoring**

**C10 Handle All
Errors and
Exceptions**

https://www.owasp.org/index.php/OWASP_Proactive_Controls

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Automated Threat Handbook
Web Applications

| | | | | | | |
|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-------------------|------------|----------------|------------------------|
| Account Aggregation | Account Creation | Ad Fraud | CAPTCHA defeat | Carding | Card Cracking | Cashing Out |
| Credential Cracking | Credential Stuffing | Denial of Inventory | Denial of Service | Expediting | Fingerprinting | Footprinting |
| Scalping | Scraping | Skewing | Sniping | Spamming | Token Cracking | Vulnerability Scanning |

https://www.owasp.org/index.php/OWASP_Automated_Threats_to_Web_Applications



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Knowledge

Risk of using project 2



| V · T · E | Cheat Sheets [Collapse] |
|-----------------------------|--|
| Developer / Builder | 3rd Party Javascript Management · Access Control · AJAX Security Cheat Sheet · Authentication (ES) · Bean Validation Cheat Sheet · Choosing and Using Security Questions · Clickjacking Defense · Credential Stuffing Prevention Cheat Sheet · Cross-Site Request Forgery (CSRF) Prevention · Cryptographic Storage · C-Based Toolchain Hardening · Deserialization · DOM based XSS Prevention · Forgot Password · HTML5 Security · HTTP Strict Transport Security · Injection Prevention Cheat Sheet · Injection Prevention Cheat Sheet in Java · JSON Web Token (JWT) Cheat Sheet for Java · Input Validation · Insecure Direct Object Reference Prevention · JAAS · Key Management · LDAP Injection Prevention · Logging · Mass Assignment Cheat Sheet · .NET Security · OS Command Injection Defense Cheat Sheet · OWASP Top Ten · Password Storage · Pinning · Query Parameterization · REST Security · Ruby on Rails · Session Management · SAML Security · SQL Injection Prevention · Transaction Authorization · Transport Layer Protection · Unvalidated Redirects and Forwards · User Privacy Protection · Web Service Security · XSS (Cross Site Scripting) Prevention · XML External Entity (XXE) Prevention Cheat Sheet |
| Assessment / Breaker | Attack Surface Analysis · REST Assessment · Web Application Security Testing · XML Security Cheat Sheet · XSS Filter Evasion |
| Mobile | Android Testing · IOS Developer · Mobile Jailbreaking |
| OpSec / Defender | Virtual Patching · Vulnerability Disclosure |
| Draft and Beta | Application Security Architecture · Business Logic Security · Content Security Policy · Denial of Service Cheat Sheet · Grails Secure Code Review · IOS Application Security Testing · PHP Security · Regular Expression Security Cheatsheet · Secure Coding · Secure SDLC · Threat Modeling |

https://www.owasp.org/index.php/OWASP_Cheat_Sheet_Series



Security Knowledge Framework

- Security Requirements
OWASP ASVS for
development and for third
party vendor applications
- Security knowledge reference
(Code examples/ Knowledge
Base items)

</> Code Language

PHP

C#/.net

JAVA

Py-Flask

Py-Django

Py-Django

Ruby on Rails

Go

```
package com.edw;

import org.owasp.esapi.ESAPI;
import org.jsoup.Jsoup;
import org.jsoup.safety.Whitelist;

public final class XssFilter {

    /**
     * Strips any potential XSS threats out of the value
     * @param value
     * @return
     */
    public String filter( String value ) {
        if( value == null )
            return null;

        // Use the ESAPI library to avoid encoded attacks.
        value = ESAPI.encoder().canonicalize( value );

        // Avoid null characters
        value = value.replaceAll("\0", "");

        // Clean out HTML
        value = Jsoup.clean( value, Whitelist.none() );

        return value;
    }
}
```




- Java based
- Version 8.0, long lasting
- Includes lessons and hacks



- Collection of DevOps-driven applications, specifically designed to showcase security catastrophes
- Micro services and containerization



- JavaScript based
- Intentionally insecure web app
- Encompasses the entire OWASP Top Ten and other severe security flaws

https://www.owasp.org/index.php/Category:OWASP_WebGoat_Project

https://www.owasp.org/index.php/OWASP_DevSlop_Project

https://www.owasp.org/index.php/OWASP_Juice_Shop_Project

Missing pieces in awareness, knowledge and education

Delivery of awareness
and education

Administration of the
training platforms



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Awareness and education: impact and headcount

Awareness

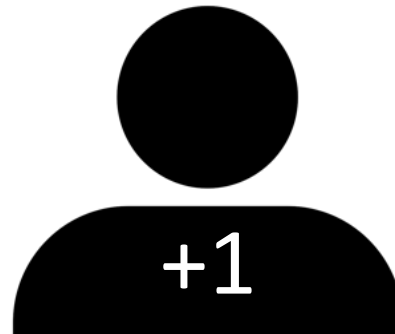
- Foundational understanding of the most important concepts in AppSec

Knowledge

- A concise reference for solving the most difficult AppSec problems
- Secure coding examples in multiple languages

Hands-on training

- Assimilation of key concepts through activities that lock in knowledge and make it practical



Awareness and education: getting started

Awareness

- Lunch and learn sessions to teach the basics of all awareness documents

Knowledge

- Teach developers about available cheat sheets
- Host an internal copy of the cheat sheets
- Lead a training session covering the three most crucial cheat sheets for your organization

Hands-on training

- Build an environment that hosts the different training apps
- Schedule a hack-a-thon where teams gather together and work on the vulnerable apps in teams and learn from each other



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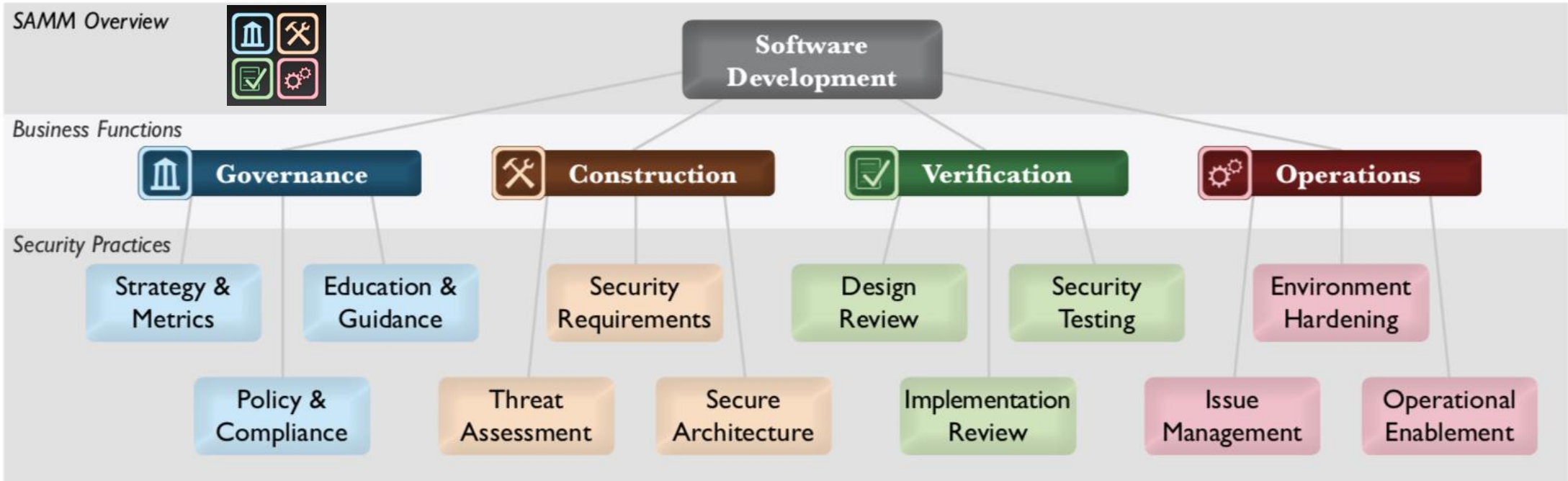
Process and Measurement

Application Security Verification Standard



**CODE
REVIEW
GUIDE**

Application Threat Modeling



https://www.owasp.org/index.php/OWASP_SAMM_Project

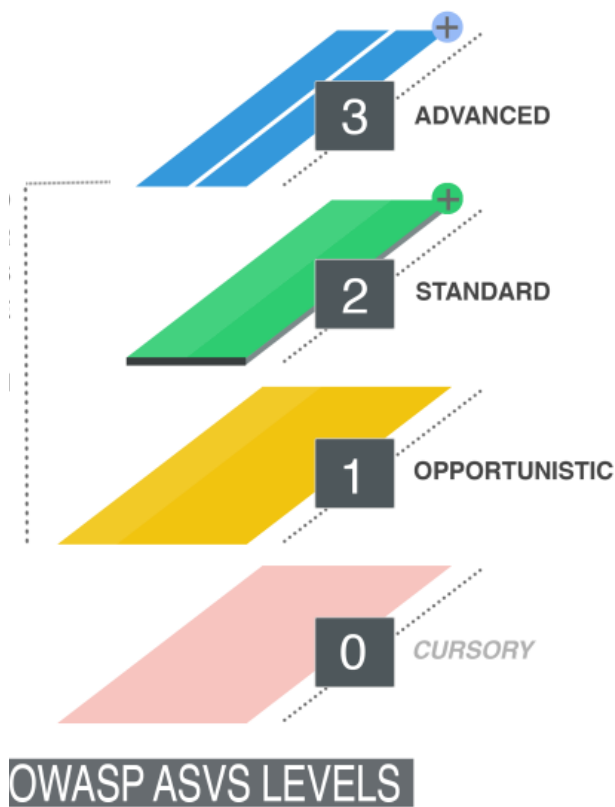
- 0** Implicit starting point representing the activities in the practice being unfulfilled
- 1** Initial understanding and adhoc provision of security practice
- 2** Increase efficiency and/or effectiveness of the security practice
- 3** Comprehensive mastery of the security practice at scale

| |
|-----------|
| Process |
| Knowledge |

Risk of using project 0

| Requirement | |
|---|----------------------------------|
| V1. Architecture, design and threat modelling | V11. HTTP security configuration |
| V2. Authentication | V13. Malicious controls |
| V3. Session management | V15. Business logic |
| V4. Access control | V16. File and resources |
| V5. Malicious input handling | V17. Mobile |
| V7. Cryptography at rest | V18. Web services |
| V8. Error handling and logging | V19. Configuration |
| V9. Data protection | V11. HTTP security configuration |
| V10. Communications | |

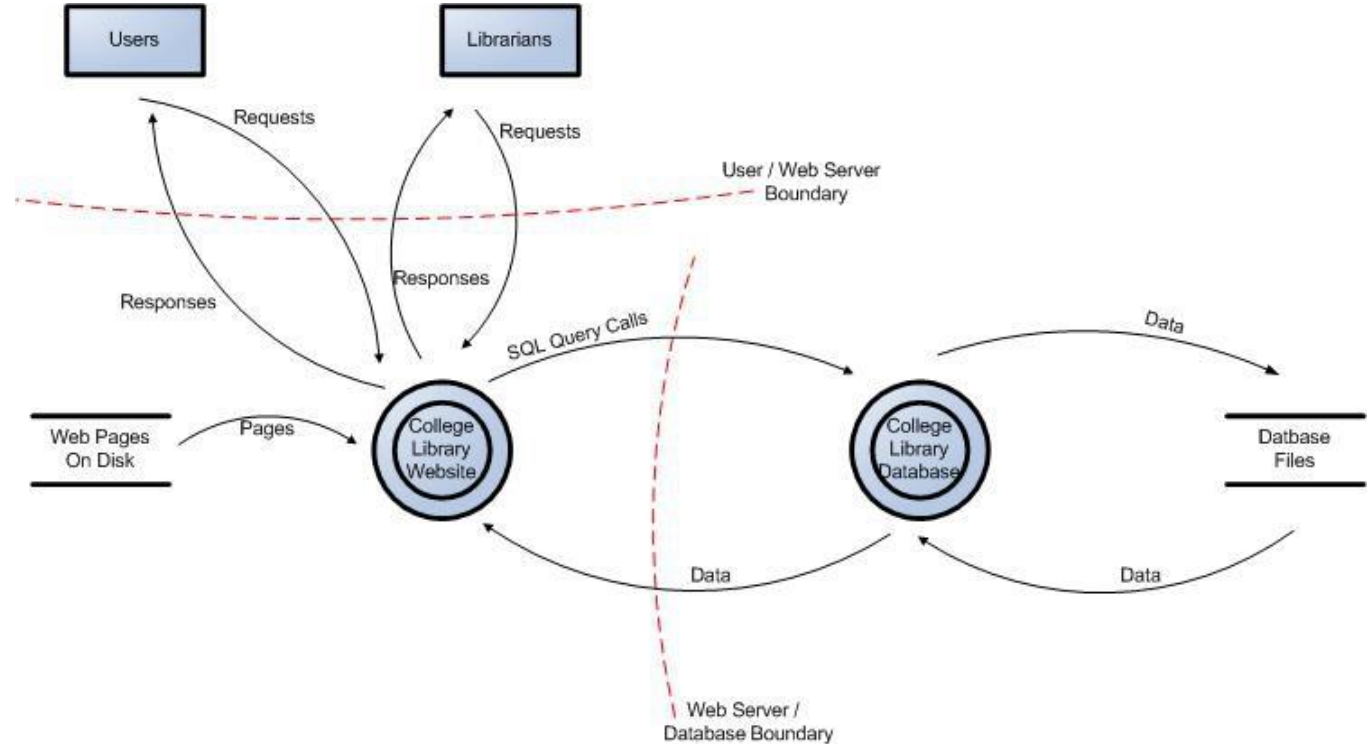
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Application Threat Modeling

- 1 What
- 2 Why
- 3 4 Questions
 - 3.1 1. What are we building?
 - 3.2 2. What can go wrong?
 - 3.3 3. What are we going to do about that?
 - 3.4 4. Did we do a good enough job?
- 4 Process
 - 4.1 When to threat model
 - 4.2 Threat modelling: engagement versus review
 - 4.3 Validating assumptions
- 5 Learning More
 - 5.1 Agile approaches
 - 5.2 Waterfall approaches
- 6 Additional/External references



Secure code review methodology

Technical reference for secure code review: OWASP Top 10

HTML5

Same origin policy

Reviewing logging code

Error handling

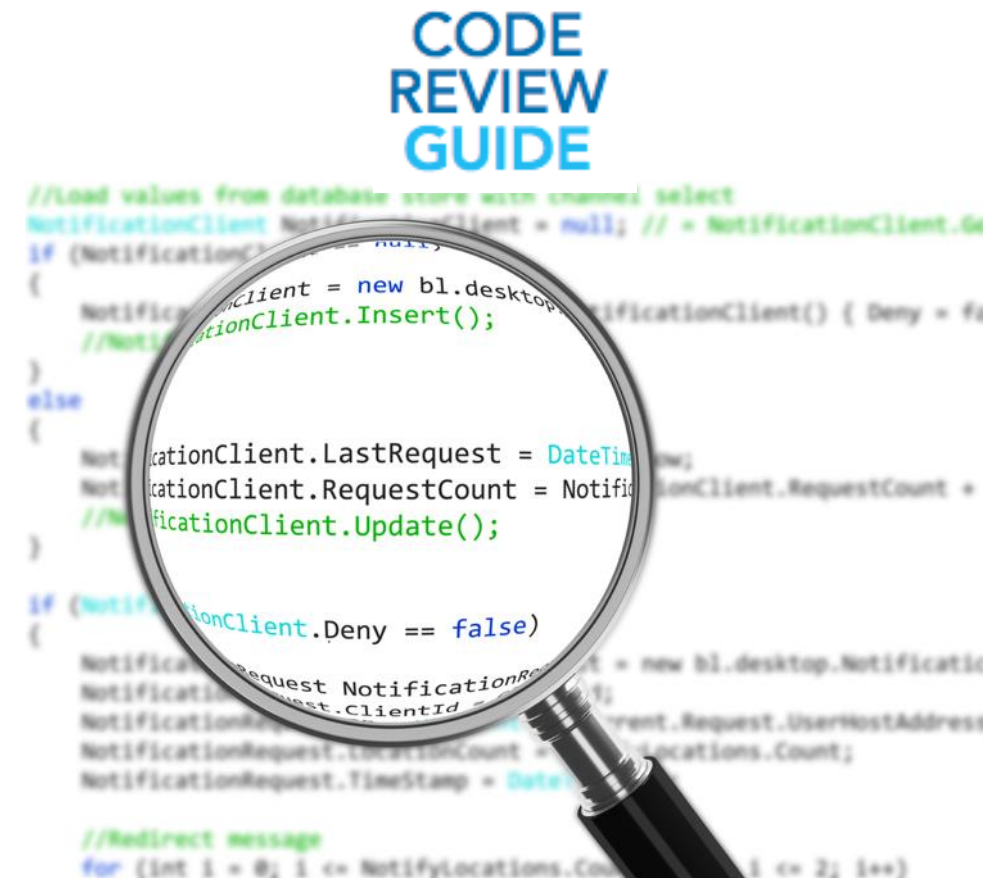
Buffer overruns

Client side JavaScript

Code review do's and don'ts

Code review checklist

Code crawling



Principles and techniques of testing

Phases of a test

Configuration and deployment management testing

Identity management testing

Authentication testing

Authorization testing

Session management testing

Input validation testing

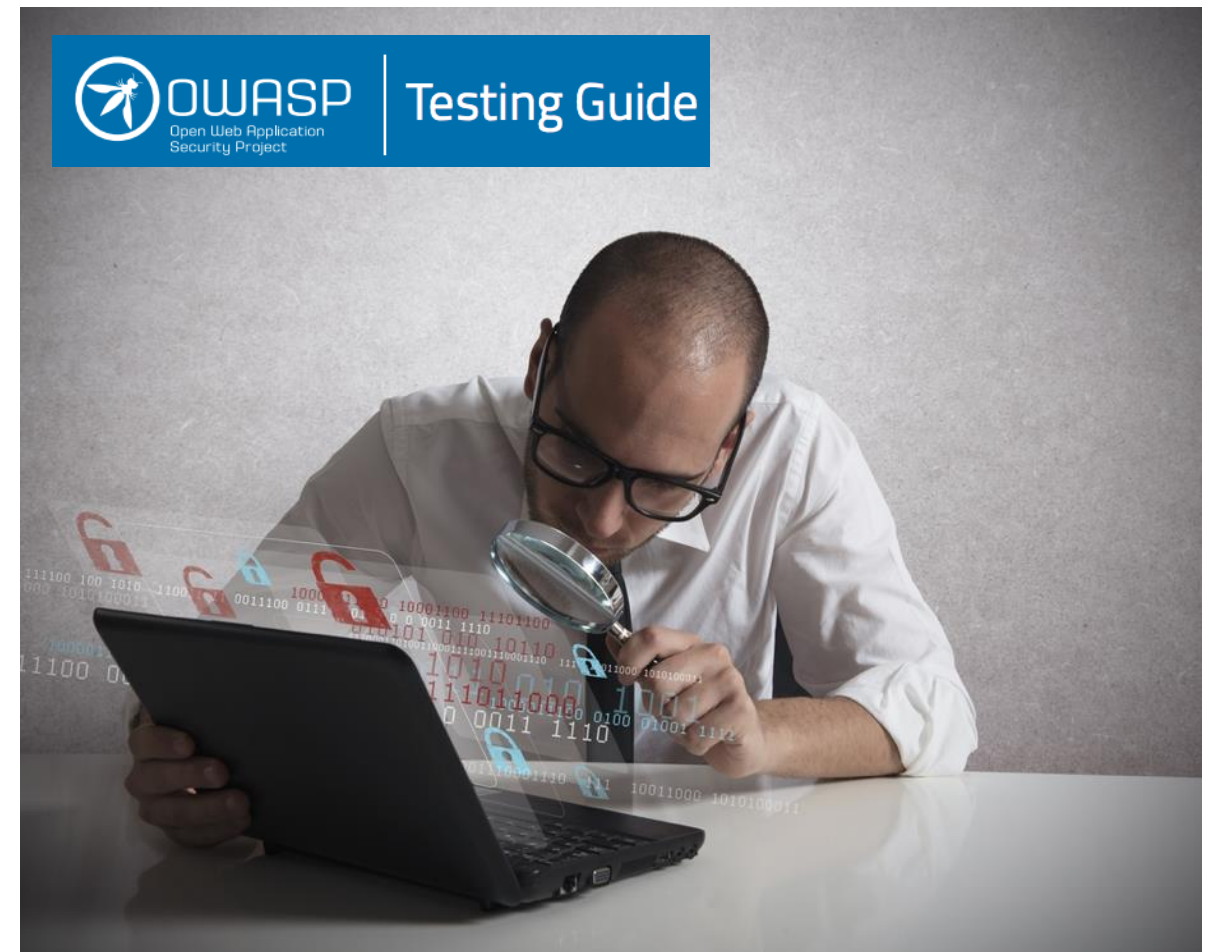
Testing for error handling

Testing for weak crypto

Business logic testing

Client side testing

Reporting



Missing pieces in process and measurement

End-to end SDL or Secure SDLC

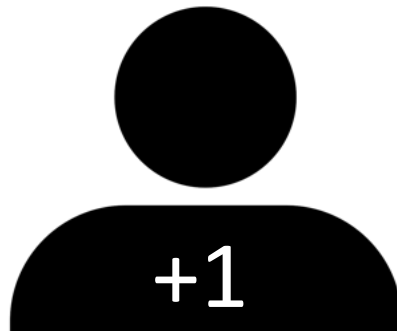
Program metrics

Deployment advice/experience on how to be successful

Process and measurement: impact and headcount

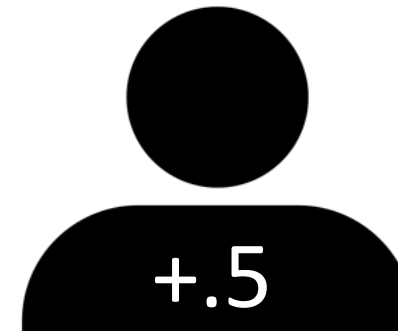
Process

- ASVS provides important requirements
- App threat modeling defines the process with examples
- Code review guide describes how to perform a code review and what to look for
- Testing guide provides how to test and a knowledge base of how to exploit vulnerabilities



Measurement

- A roadmap to where you are today, and a plan for where you want to go with your AppSec program



Process and measurement: getting started

Process

- Choose one of the process areas to start with (threat modeling) and build out this activity as your first
 - Early wins are key

Measurement

- Perform an early assessment to determine where you are
- Map out a future plan for where you want to get to
- Share these assessments with Executives and Security Champions (and anyone else that will listen)
- Advocate for Executive support on your plan to build a stronger AppSec program



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Tools

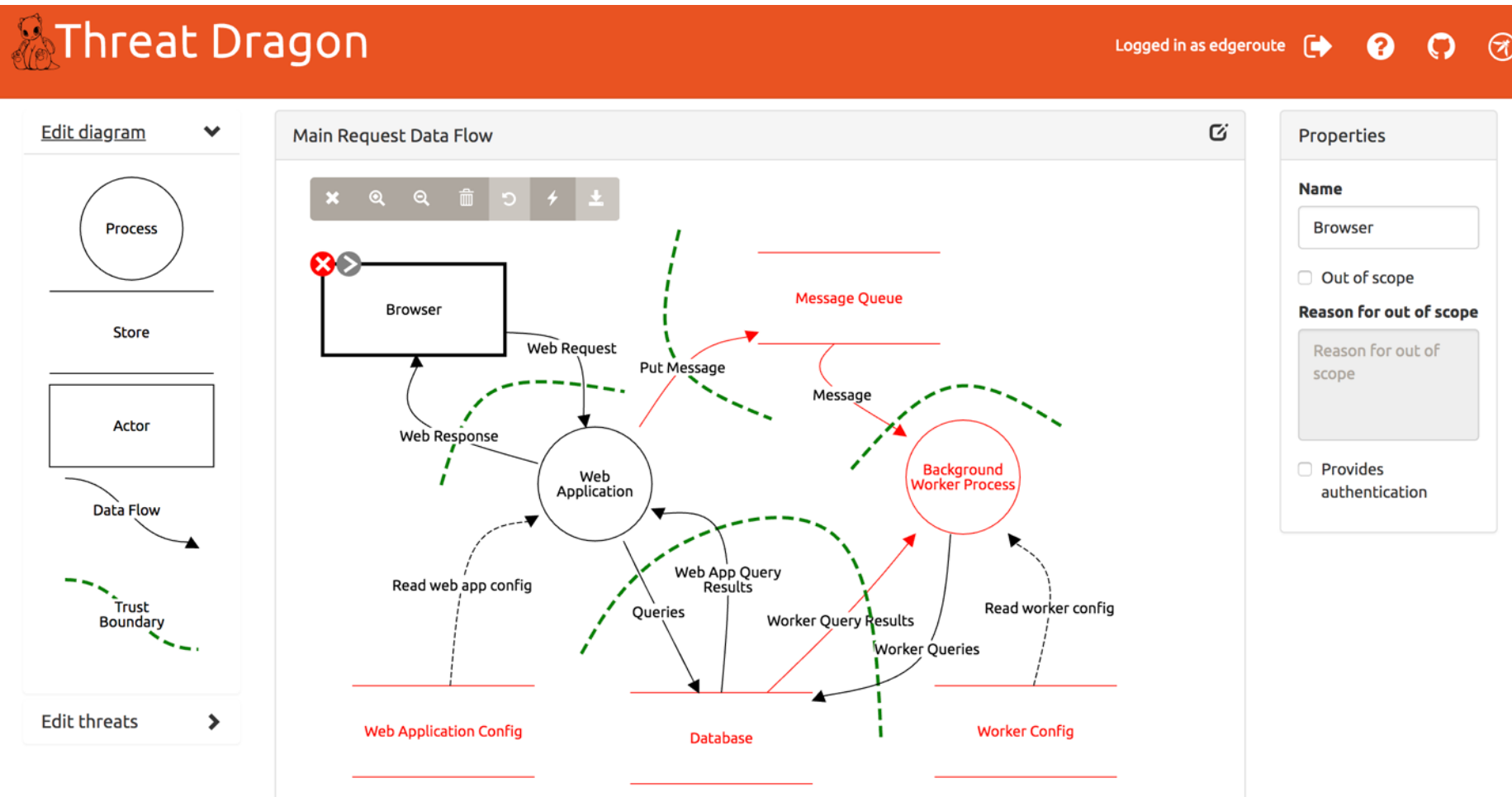


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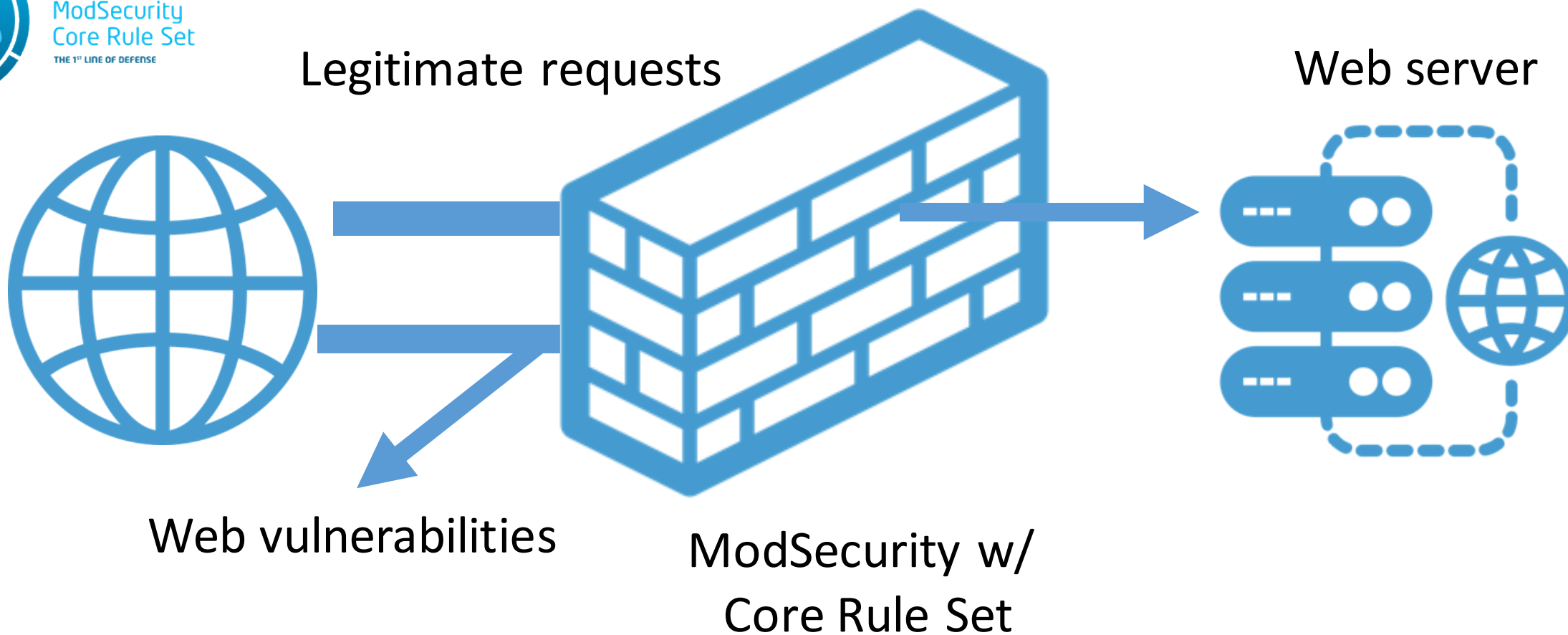
DEPENDENCY-CHECK

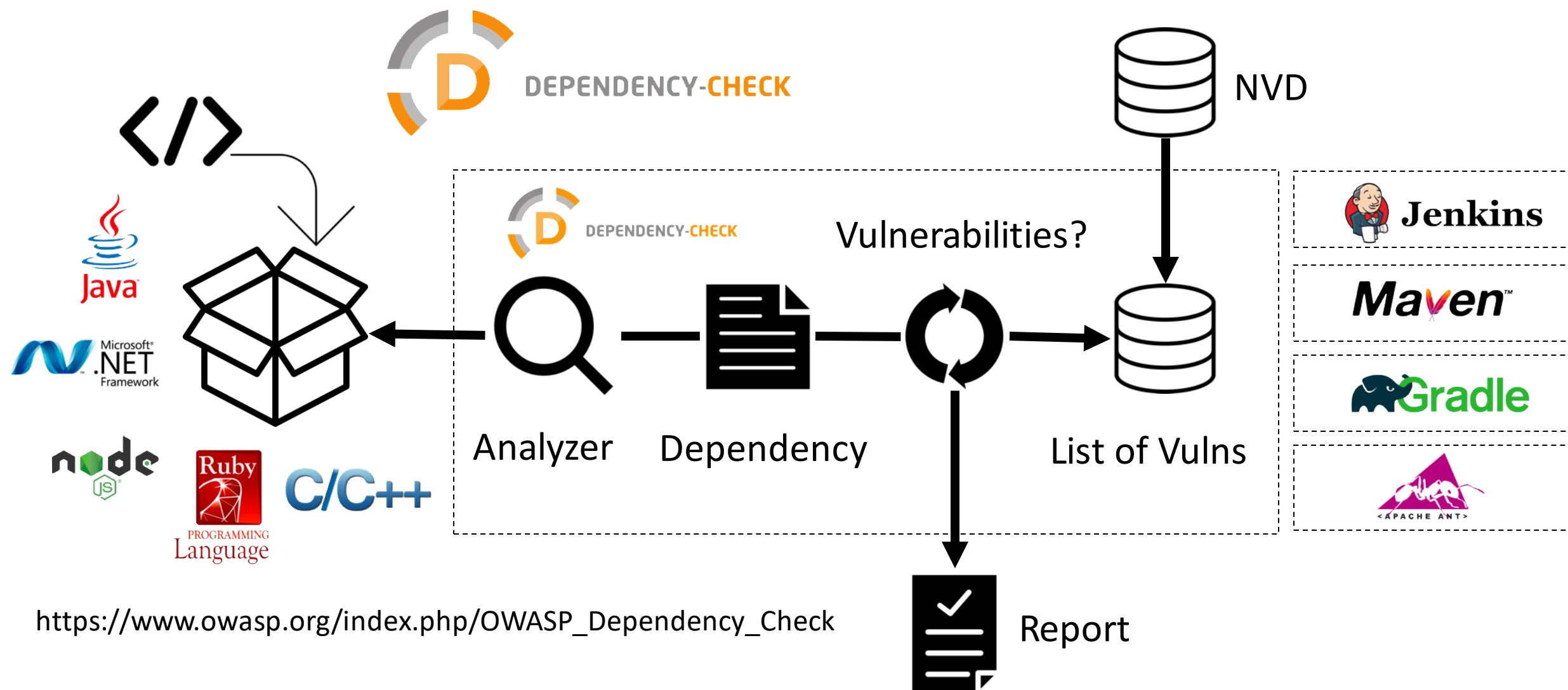






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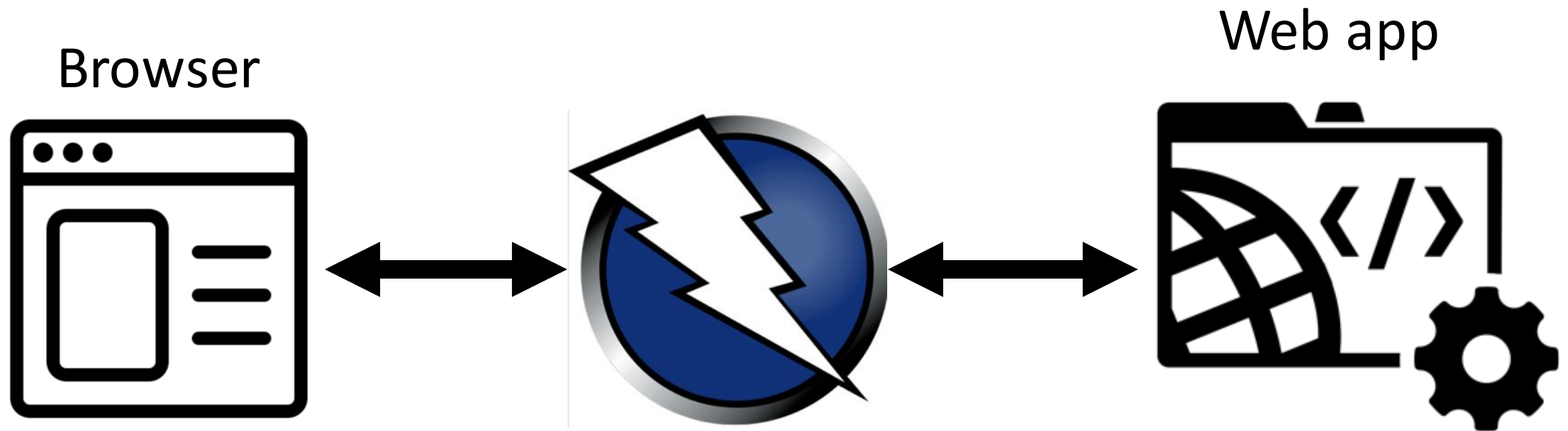




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Infrastructure

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https://www.owasp.org/index.php/OWASP_Zed_Attack_Proxy_Project

Missing pieces in tools

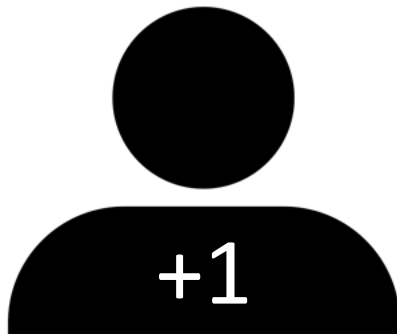
No options for SAST or IAST

A dashboard to track everything
(requirements management,
activities, releases, metrics)

Tools: impact and headcount

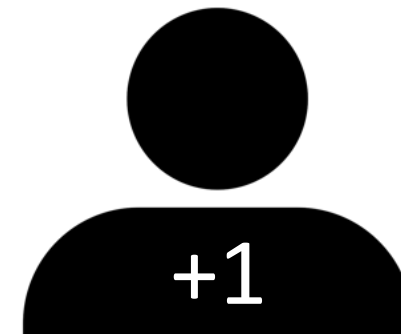
Design

- Threat dragon provides a new, web based approach to capturing threats that will reach Enterprise status if it delivers on the roadmap



Infrastructure

- CRS provides a true WAF solution
- Dependency check identifies vulnerable 3rd party software
- ZAP provides DAST, and plugs in to any dev methodology





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Tools: getting started

Design

- Use threat dragon as the tool to teach threat modeling and scale it across your development teams
 - Partner with application threat modeling knowledge

Infrastructure

- Add Dependency Check to your build pipeline tomorrow
- Teach ZAP to Security Champions and interested testers
- Work with your infra owner to deploy a test of ModSecurity + CRS



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Headcount summary



Awareness and
education

Awareness

Knowledge

Hands-on training

+1



Process and
measurement

Knowledge

Hands-on training

+1.5



Tools

Design

Infrastructure

+2

The OWASP stack as an AppSec program

Tools

Design

Infrastructure



Process and measurement

Process

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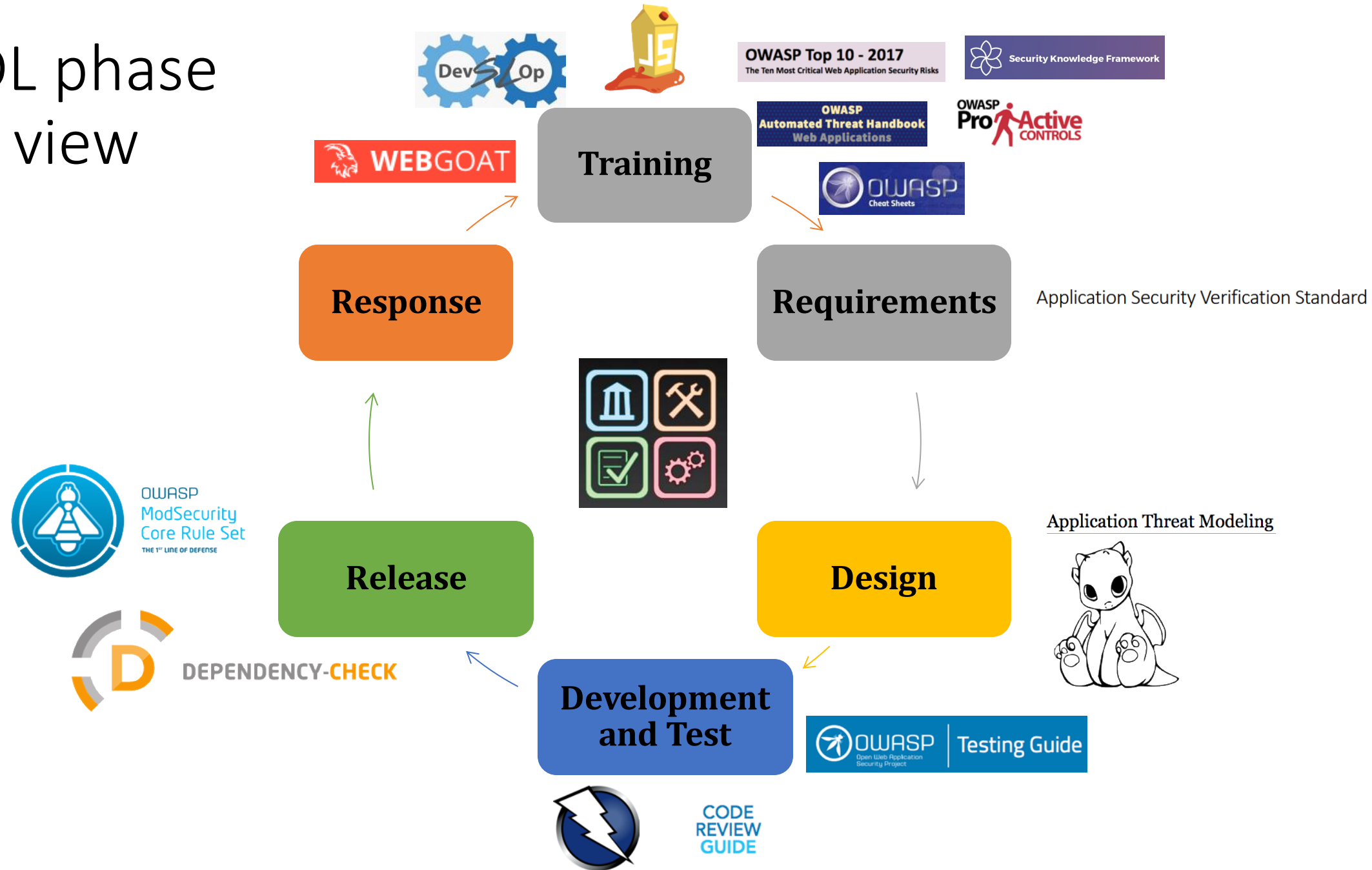


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Security
Community

SDL phase view



Final thoughts for an AppSec program on the cheap

1. Use OpenSAMM to assess current program state and future goals
2. There is no OWASP SDL; build/tailor required
3. Start small; choose one item for awareness and education to launch your program
4. Build security community early; it is the support structure
5. Evaluate the projects available in each category and build a 1-2 year plan to roll each effort out
6. While OWASP is free, head count is not; plan accordingly for head count to support your “free” program

Q+A and Thank you!

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