
Security Testing: The Cost of Inaction



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Key challenges and opportunities in security testing



Practical tips for achieving effective results



The CIA triad



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Types and methods of security testing



The OWASP testing methodology



Examples of vulnerabilities



Real-world consequences of a lack of security testing initiatives



**WHEN YOU SEE HOW SOPHISTICATED
CYBERTHREATS HAVE BECOME**



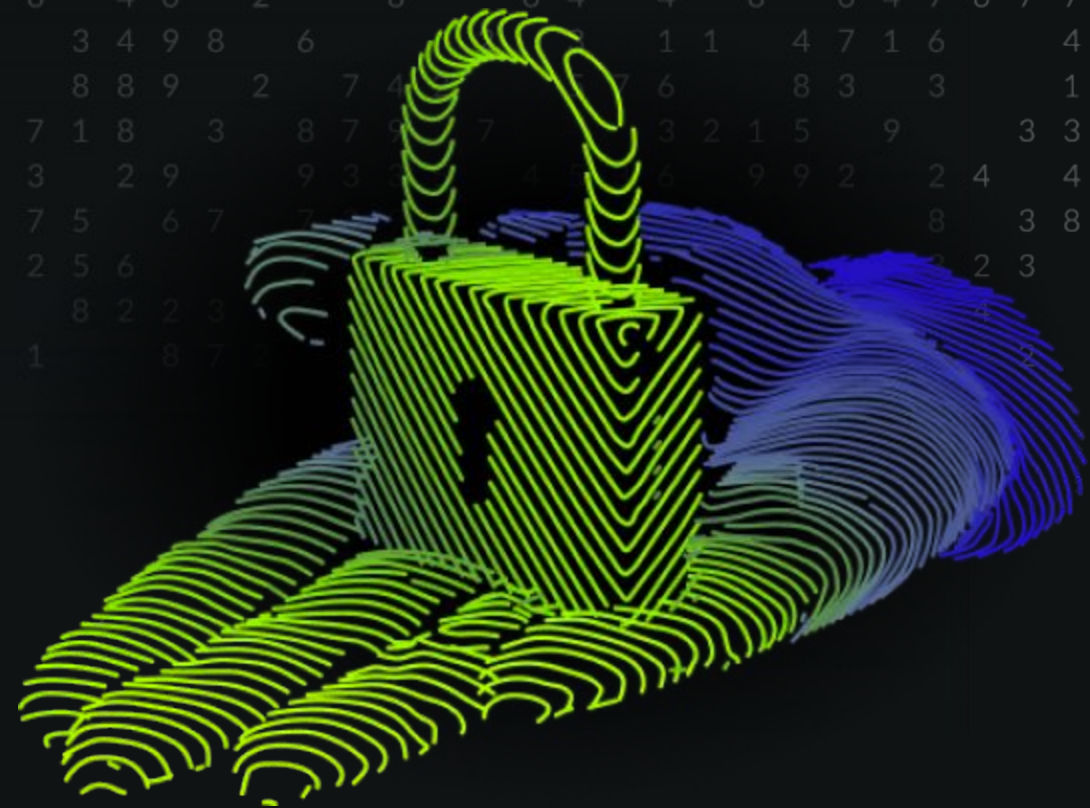
The CIA Triad



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CONFIDENTIALITY

protect sensitive information from unauthorized access and disclosure



The CIA Triad

INTEGRITY

verify that data and system components remain unaltered, accurate, and trustworthy



The CIA Triad

AVAILABILITY

ensure that systems, networks, and applications are accessible and operational when required



Security

Testing Types



PENETRATION
TESTING



CODE
ANALYSIS



VULNERABILITY
ASSESSMENT



RISK
ASSESSMENT



COMPLIANCE
TESTING



SOCIAL
ENGINEERING
TESTING

Security Testing Types

PENTESTING

- simulate real-world cyberattacks to assess your defenses and uncover weaknesses
- run at least once a year or upon significant changes



Security Testing Types

VULNERABILITY ASSESSMENT

- comprehensively evaluate your IT infrastructure to identify, quantify, and prioritize security vulnerabilities
- run once a quarter



Security Testing Types

COMPLIANCE TESTING

- verify that your systems, networks, and applications meet specific regulatory and industry standards
- set up a schedule



Security Testing Types

CODE ANALYSIS

- examine an application's source code to identify potential security vulnerabilities, coding errors, and other issues
- integrate into SDLC & perform regularly



Security Testing Types

RISK ASSESSMENT

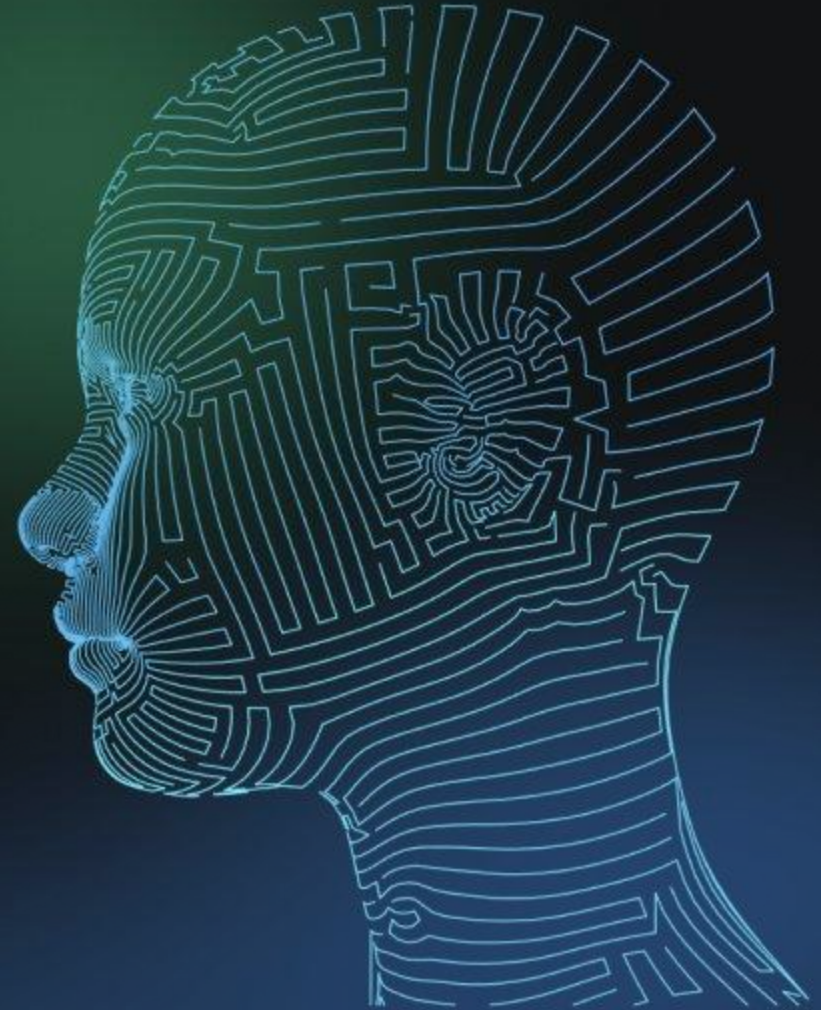
- grasp the likelihood and impact of various threats & allocate resources effectively
- ongoing, with all-encompassing reviews conducted annually or more frequently



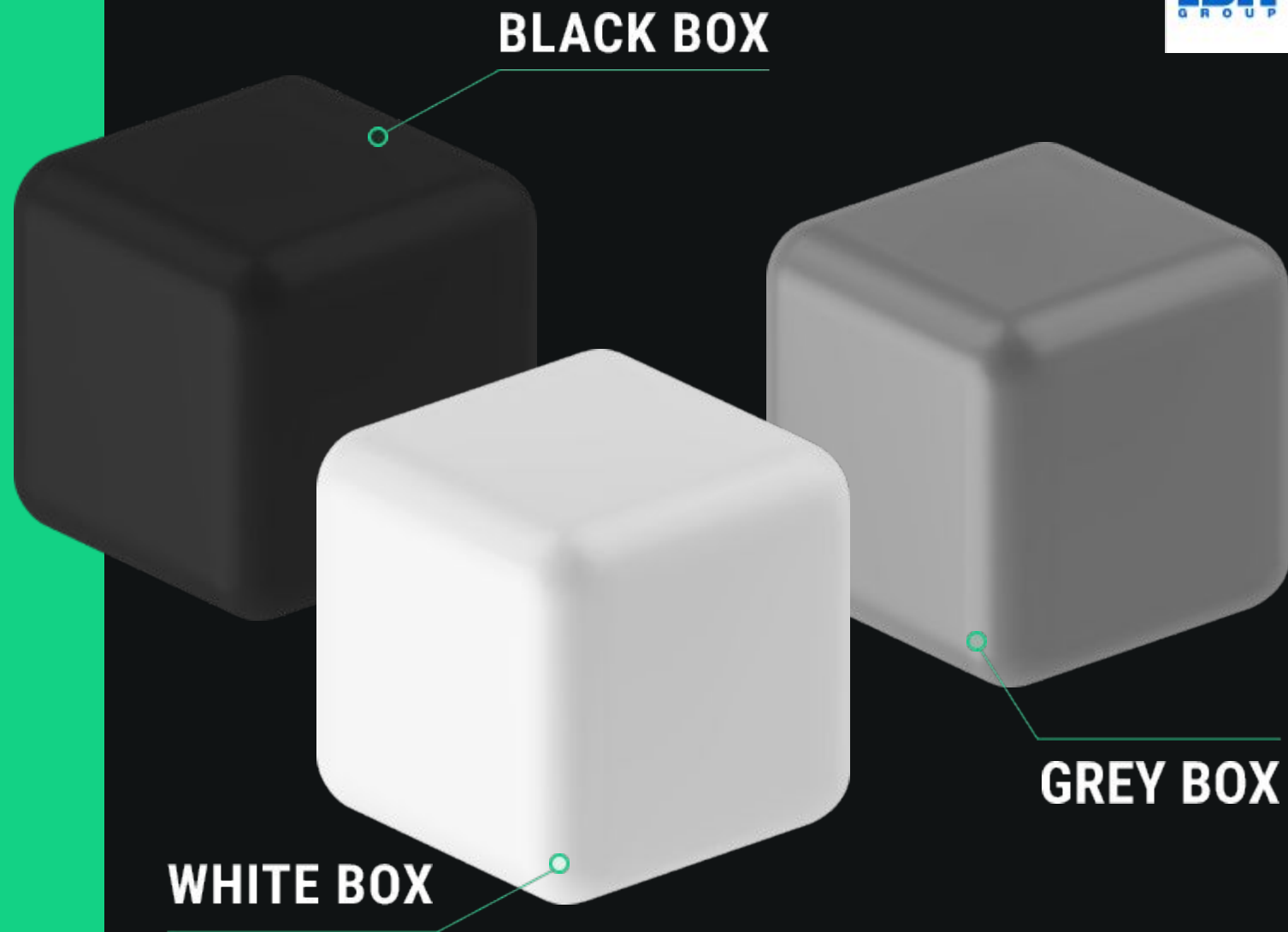
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SOCIAL ENGINEERING TESTING

- simulate attacks that exploit human psychology to gain unauthorized access to sensitive information or systems
- periodically, based on the effectiveness of employee security awareness programs



Security Testing Methods

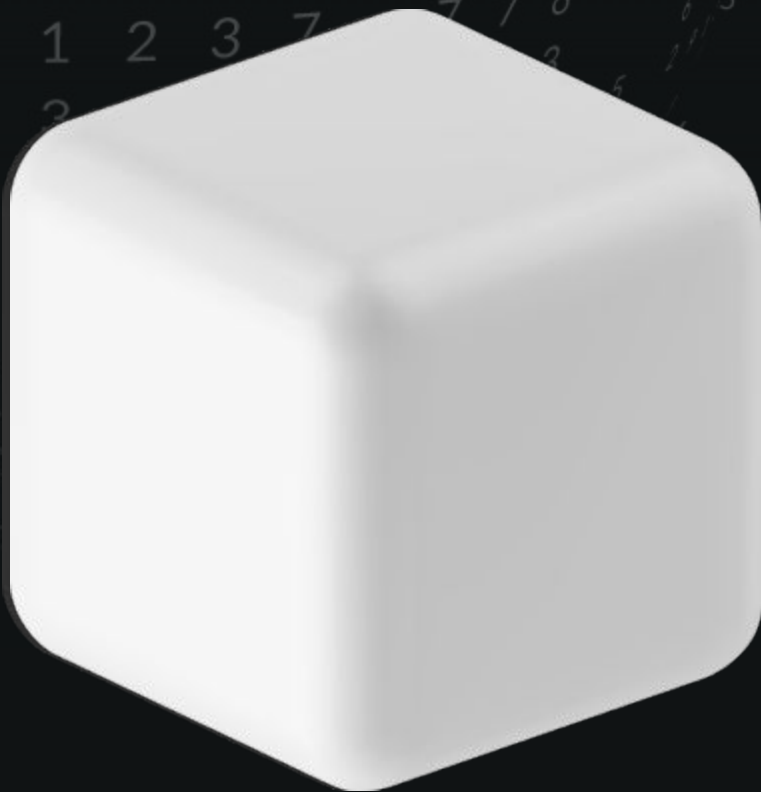


Security Testing Methods

BLACK BOX

- testers lack access to source code & architectural documentation, and interact with the system similar to an external user or attacker

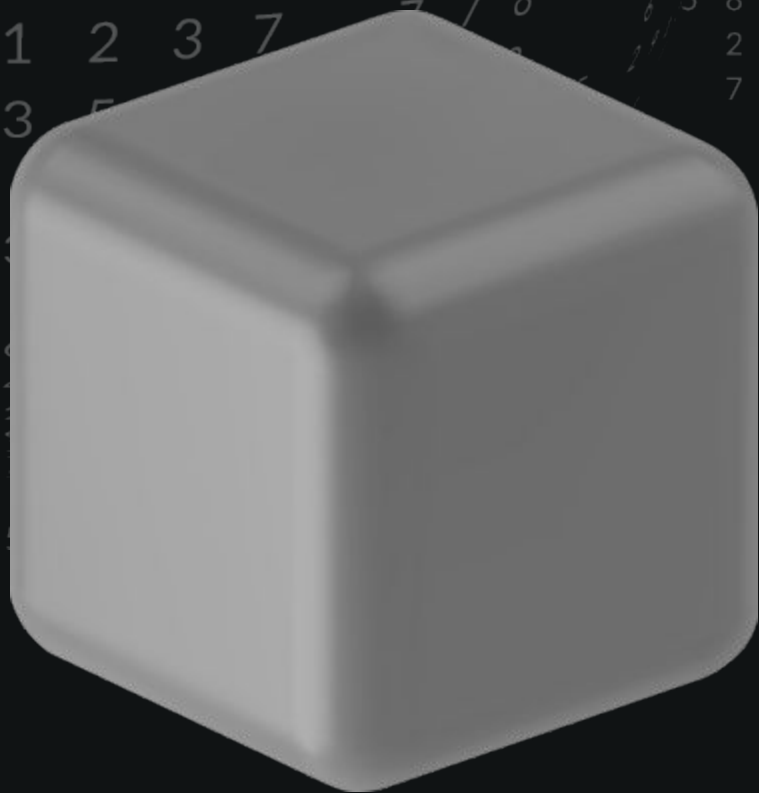
Security Testing Methods



WHITE BOX

- testers have full access to source code, allowing them to identify vulnerabilities at a granular level

Security Testing Methods



GREY BOX

- testers imitate user behavior and leverage knowledge of the system's architecture

OWASP Top 10



BROKEN ACCESS CONTROL



CRYPTOGRAPHIC FAILURES



INJECTION



INSECURE DESIGN



SECURITY MISCONFIGURATION



VULNERABLE AND OUTDATED COMPONENTS



IDENTIFICATION AND AUTHENTICATION FAILURES



SOFTWARE AND DATA INTEGRITY FAILURES



SECURITY LOGGING AND MONITORING FAILURES



SERVER-SIDE REQUEST FORGERY

OWASP Top 10

BROKEN ACCESS CONTROL

When access control measures fail, it can result in unauthorized disclosure, modification, or destruction of sensitive information, and allow users to perform business functions beyond their pre-approved limits



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CRYPTOGRAPHIC FAILURES

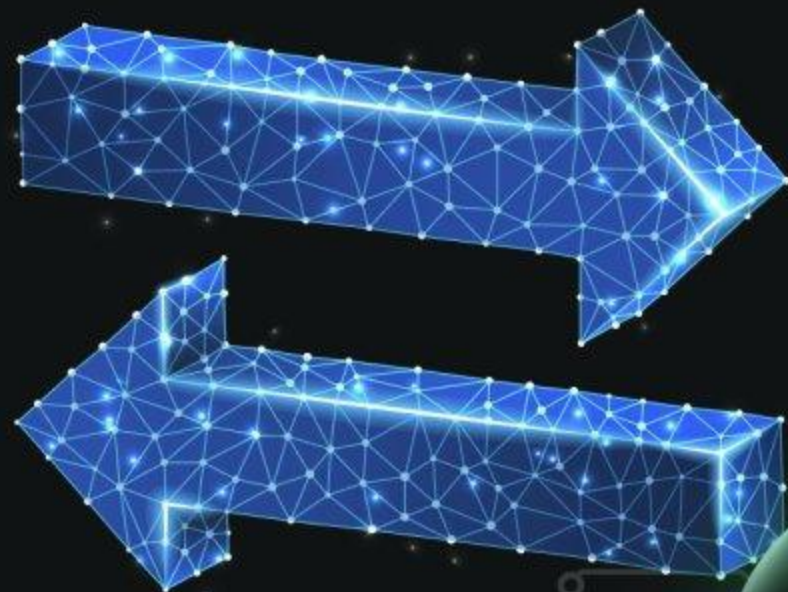
Weak encryption algorithms, improper key management, and insecure random number generation can result in the exposure of confidential information, such as credit card details and passwords



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INJECTION

Injection attacks occur when malicious actors exploit vulnerabilities in web applications that allow untrusted data to be sent to code interpreters through form inputs or other data submissions



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INSECURE DESIGN

A new category for 2021 emphasizes the need for greater use of threat modeling, secure design patterns, and reference architectures



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SECURITY MISCONFIGURATION

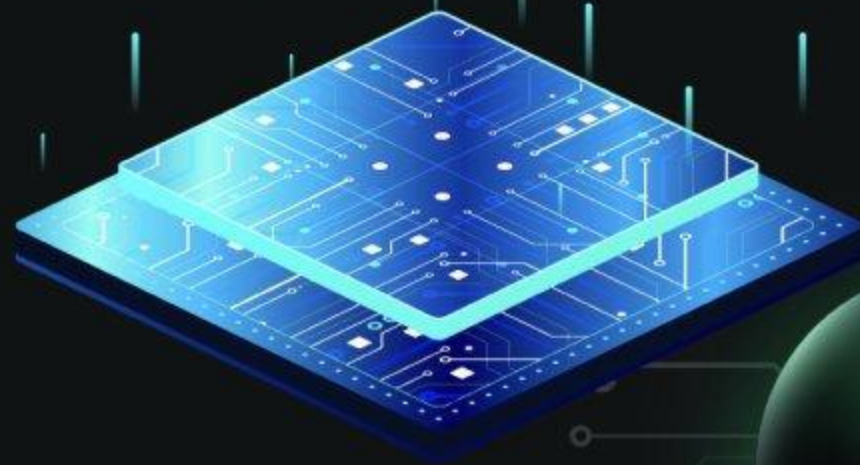
An application might show overly-detailed error messages to users, which could inadvertently expose vulnerabilities in the application to malicious actors



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VULNERABLE AND OUTDATED COMPONENTS

Web application developers commonly use third-party components like libraries and frameworks, while malicious actors often search for vulnerabilities in these components to orchestrate attacks



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IDENTIFICATION AND AUTHENTICATION FAILURES

Attackers obtain lists of known leaked usernames and passwords, using them to try and gain system access by guessing the right combination in a technique known as “brute-forcing”



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SOFTWARE AND DATA INTEGRITY FAILURES

With the growing prevalence of auto-update functionality in applications, updates may be downloaded and applied without sufficient integrity verification, introducing the possibility of attackers uploading their malicious updates to be distributed and launched on all installations, compromising the security of users



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SECURITY LOGGING AND MONITORING FAILURES

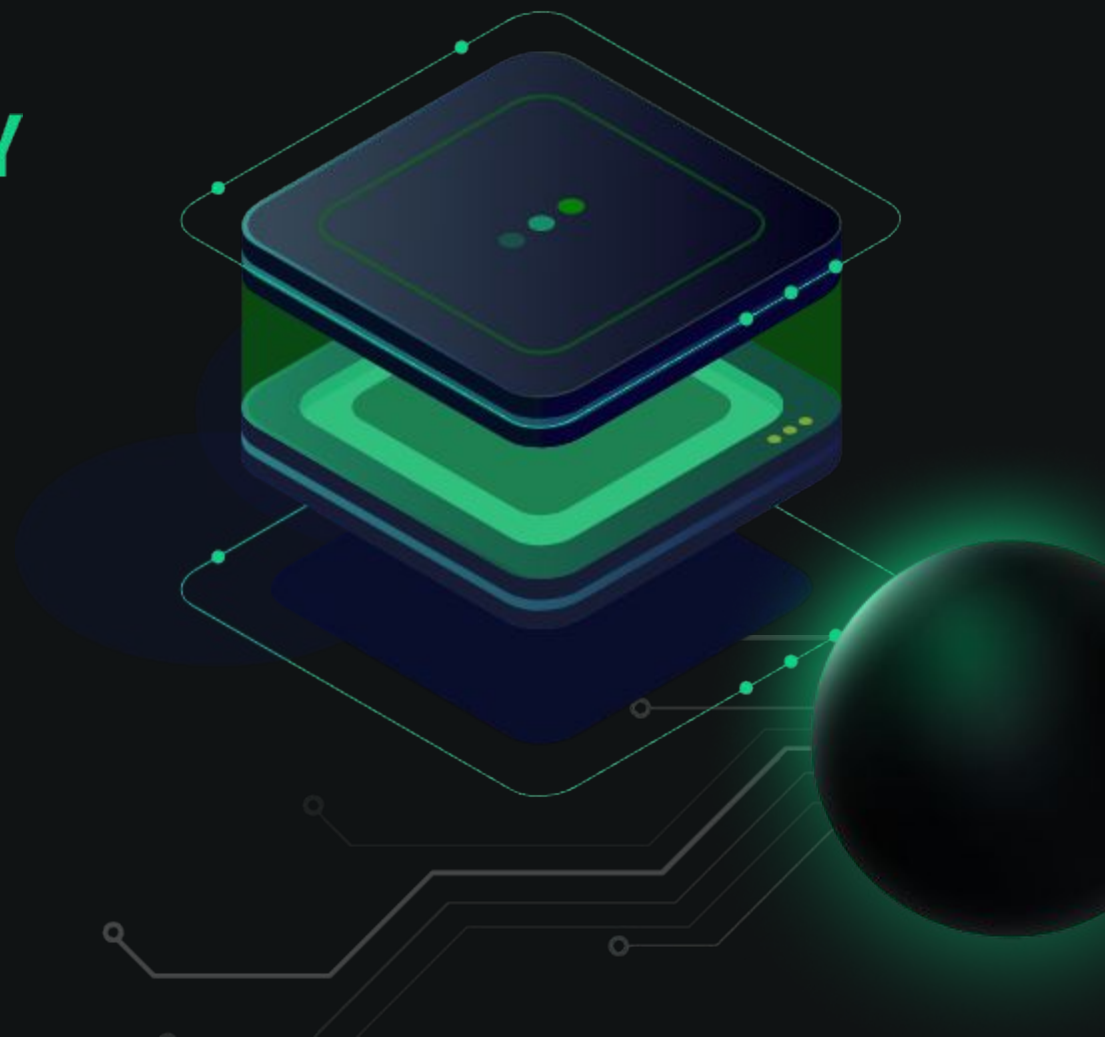
Research shows that the average time it takes to detect a breach is around 200 days, giving attackers ample time to cause significant damage before the organization even realizes there is a problem



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SERVER-SIDE REQUEST FORGERY

SSRF vulnerabilities enable an attacker to manipulate the application into sending a request to an unintended destination, bypassing protections



OWASP TOP 10

OWASP TOP EVERYWHERE



Successful companies and their security fails



Heartland

HEARTLAND PAYMENT SYSTEMS



WHEN:

2008

? WHAT HAPPENED:

Malware known as “sniffer software” was installed onto the network, leading to the theft of data from 130M+ credit and debit cards

Heartland

HEARTLAND PAYMENT SYSTEMS

CONSEQUENCES:

\$140M in fines, legal fees, and compensation to affected parties

REFERENCES:

CSO Online: APT in action:
The Heartland breach

EQUIFAX

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WHEN:

2017

? WHAT HAPPENED:

A vulnerability in Equifax's website software allowed attackers to access sensitive data (names, addresses, birth dates, SSNs, & credit card numbers) of 147M people

EQUIFAX

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CONSEQUENCES:

Estimated cost of the breach: **\$1.4B**

REFERENCES:

FTC: Equifax Data Breach Settlement



TWITTER



WHEN:

2020

? WHAT HAPPENED:

Social engineering enabled intruders to get into 130 accounts where they could tweet, read DMs, and export data



TWITTER

CONSEQUENCES:

Severe reputational damage, financial loss from users who fell victim to a crypto scam

REFERENCES:

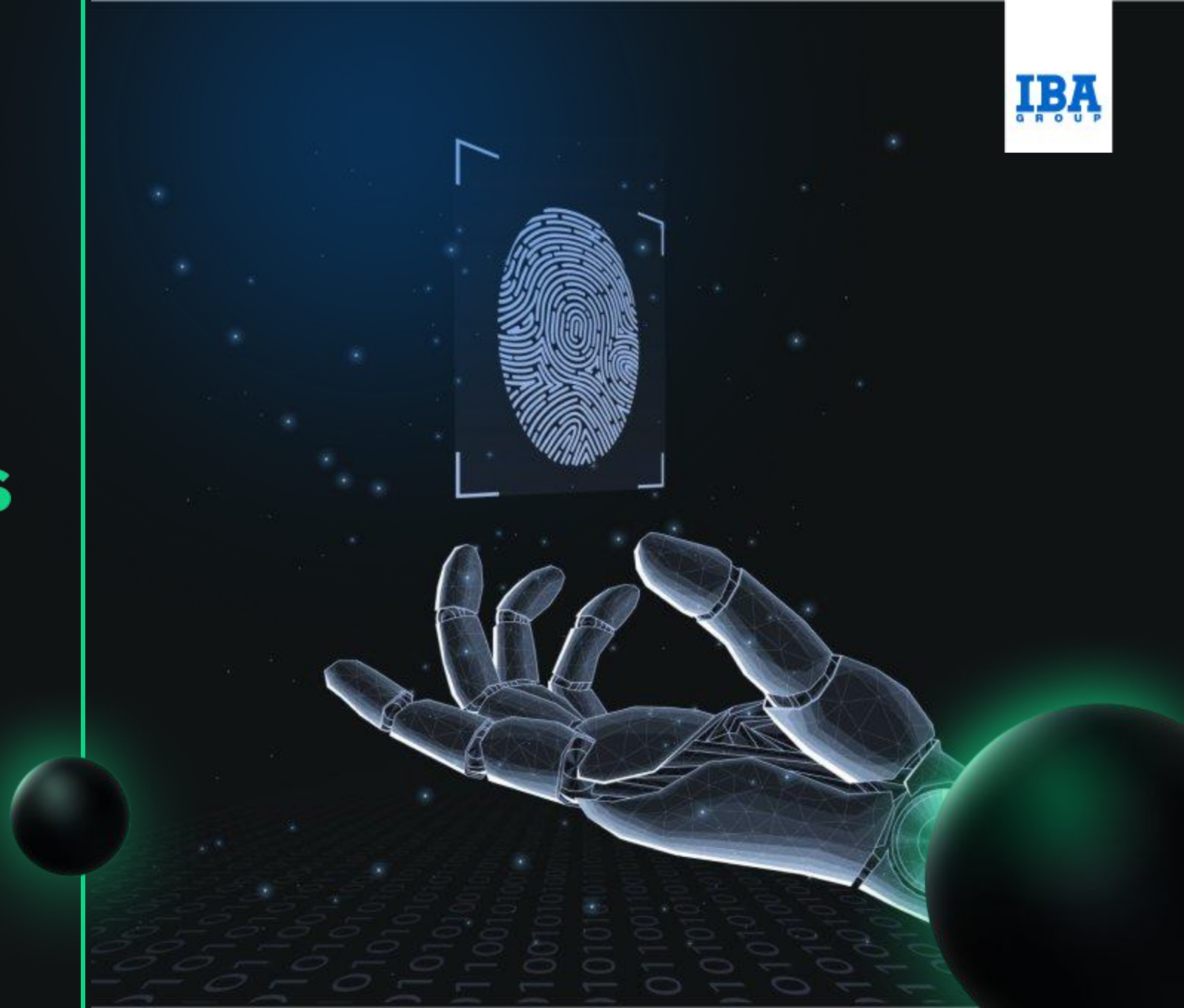
Official blog: An update on our security incident

HAS ACCESS TO SENSITIVE DATA



HIDES PASSWORDS UNDER KEYBOARD

Security Testing Best Practices



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01

Become involved in the development process early



02

Use a risk-based approach



Security Testing Best Practices



03

Make your testing multi-layered



04

Adopt a holistic approach



Security Testing Best Practices



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Be proactive



06

Keep up with the latest threats



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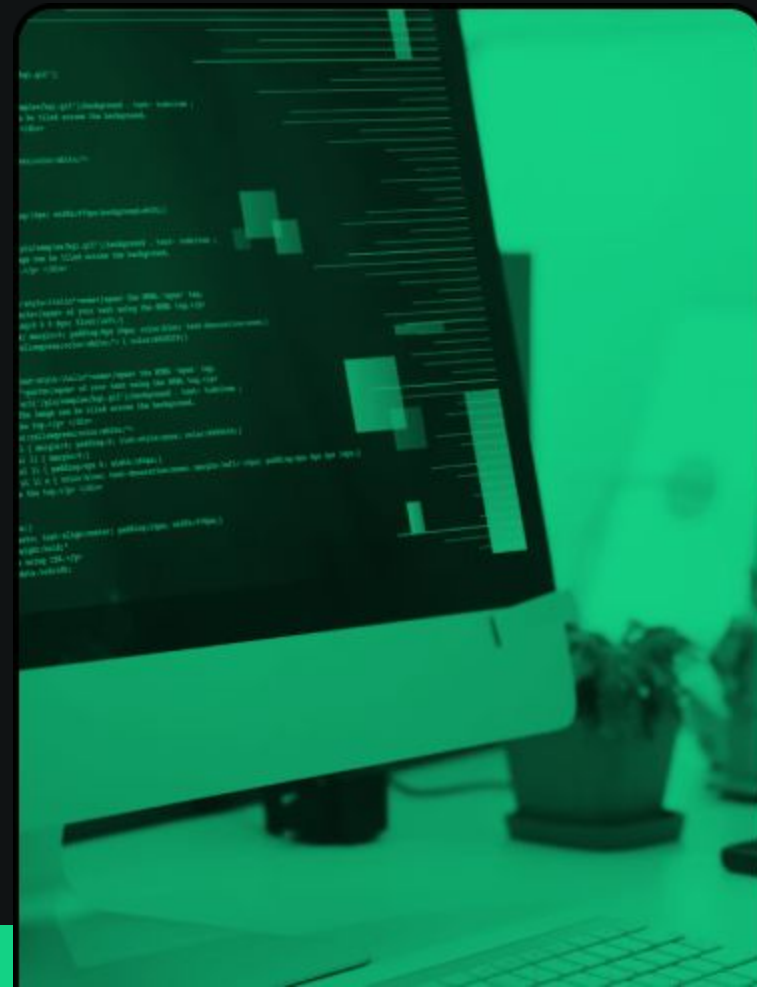
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Foster security awareness and training



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Emphasize continuous assessments



THANK YOU!

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