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Security Automation Using ZAP

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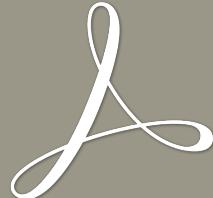
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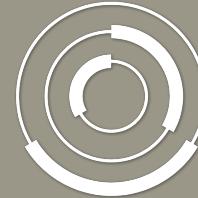


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Agenda

- What is ZAP
- Quick run through of ZAP GUI
- Understanding what can be automated
- Automating ZAP
- Few considerations/hacks
- Use cases



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What is ZAP



- Zed Attack Proxy
- Automated Web Application Security Scanner
- An OWASP Project
- Voted as No. 1 Security Tool as per ToolsWatch Survey

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



Quick run through of ZAP GUI

- Contexts
- Request/Response
- Options
- Spider
- Scan Alerts
- Scan policy manager



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Understanding what can be automated

- Configuration
- Spidering
- Passive Scan
- Active Scan
- Authentication
- Many additional capabilities ☺



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Automating ZAP

- ZAP APIs (<http://zap/UI/>)
- pip install python-owasp-zap-v2.4
- Example 1: Initializing ZAP in python
- Example 2: Spidering web application
- Example 3: Passive scanning
- Example 4: Active scanning
- Example 5: Simple authenticated scanning
- Example 6: Some other important APIs



Example 1: Initializing ZAP in python

```
from zapv2 import ZAPv2
```

```
zap = ZAPv2()
```

or

```
zap = ZAPv2(proxies={'http': 'http://x.x.x.x:yyyy',  
                      'https': 'http://x.x.x.x:yyyy'})
```



Example 2: Spidering web application

```
zap.spider.scan(input_target, apikey = API_Key)
```

```
while (int(zap.spider.status()) < 100):  
    print 'Spider progress %: ' + zap.spider.status()  
    time.sleep(2)
```

```
zap.ajaxSpider.scan(url = input_target, apikey = API_Key)
```



Example 3: Passive scanning

```
zap.pscan.disable_all_scanners(apikey = API_Key)
```

```
zap.pscan.enable_scanners(ids = 10040, apikey = API_Key)
```

```
zap.pscan.enable_all_scanners(apikey = API_Key)
```

```
zap.pscan.set_enabled(enabled = True, apikey = API_Key)
```

Ref: <http://zap/UI/pscan/view/scanners/>



Example 4: Active scanning

```
zap.ascan.scan(target, apikey = API_Key)
```

```
while (int(zap.ascan.status()) < 100):  
    print 'Scan progress %: ' + zap.ascan.status()
```

```
zap.ascan.scan(input_target, scanpolicyname =  
input_policy, apikey = API_Key)
```



Example 5: Simple authenticated scanning

```
zap.ascan.scan_as_user(url = input_target, contextid = 1,  
userid = 4, apikey = API_Key)
```

- <http://zap/UI/context/view/context/>
- <http://zap/UI/users/view/usersList/>



Example 6: Some other important APIs

- <http://zap/UI/spider/action/setOptionMaxDepth/>
- <http://zap/UI/context/action/importContext/>
- <http://zap/UI/context/action/includeInContext/>
- <http://zap/UI/context/action/newContext/>
- <http://zap/UI/core/other/xmlreport/>
- <http://zap/UI/core/action/shutdown/>



Few considerations/hacks

- Ajax spidering
- Importing contexts/configs
- Random sleeps
- Scan output for a particular context/scan
- Documentation
- Custom scripting!



Lets Discuss few Use Cases

- Scanning at scale
- Integration with CI/CD systems like Jenkins
- Custom authentication
- Unit security test cases
- Research at scale!
- The list is endless... ☺



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ZAP Resources

- [Getting Started Guide \(pdf\)](#) - an introductory guide
- [Tutorial Videos](#)
- [User Guide](#) - online version of the ZAP's user guide
- [User Group](#) - ask questions about using ZAP
- [Add-ons](#) - help for the optional add-ons you can install
- [StackOverflow](#) - because some people use this for everything ;-)



Thank you! 😊

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