

Attacking Storage Services: Lynchpin of Cloud Services

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Agenda

How I am going to bore you for next 30 minutes

- Quick Overview of Cloud Storage (so we all know what I am talking about)
- Examples of real world attack scenario (coz I don't want a demo fail)
- Attack methodology that we can follow (rehash of all things cloud storage attack)
- How to prevent (coz giving out gyaan is what this talk is all about)
- Question and Answer (As if I have not bored you enough)



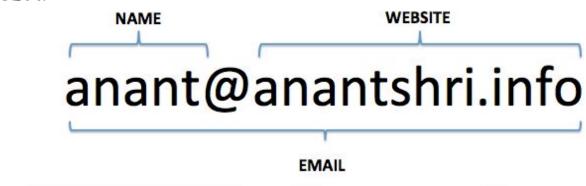




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Cloud Storage

What are we going to talk about

- Storage service examples are:
 - AWS S3 buckets
 - Azure Storage
 - GCP Storage
 - Digital Ocean Spaces
 - Sharepoint
 - One Drive
 - Dropbox
 - Google Drive Storage
 - Code commit
 - Code repositories: github, bitbucket

Generally used for storage of objects:

- Files
- Documents
- Source Code
- Transient objects
- Keys
- Secrets

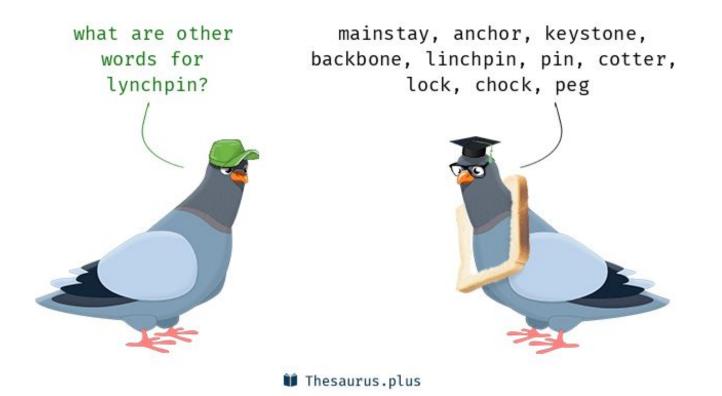




Why Cloud Storage

Why target the storage

• Cloud Storage is a Lynchpin for cloud services









Cloud Storage: Why Attack

Why target the storage

- Consider it like an external disk keeping data in it
- A big part of cloud is able to operate as the data is decoupled from it.
- Such services rely heavily on the Cloud Storage to provide the data backend.
- Besides the data almost all cloud offerings need storage services for:
 - Platform as a Service: Source code for Application
 - Function as a Service: Source code for Function
 - Secret Storage: unbelievable number of people assume storage is good to store passwords or keys or api secrets or confidential data
 - to name a few....









♦ Top defense contractor Booz Allen Hamilton leaks 60,000 files, including employee security credentials and passwords to a US government system.

Verizon partner leaks personal records of over 14 million Verizon customers, including names, addresses, account details, and for some victims - account PINs.

♦ An AWS S3 server leaked the personal details of WWE fans who registered on the company's sites. 3,065,805 users were exposed.

♦ Another AWS S3 bucket leaked the personal details of over 198 million American voters. The database contained information from three data mining companies known to be associated with the Republican Party.

Another S3 database left exposed only leaked the personal details of job applications that had Top Secret government clearance.

Ow Jones, the parent company of the Wall Street Journal, leaked the personal details of 2.2 million customers. ♦ Omaha-based voting machine firm Election Systems & Software (ES&S) left a database exposed online that contained the personal records of 1.8 million Chicago voters.

Security researchers discovered a Verizon AWS S3 bucket containing over 100 MB of data about the company's internal system named Distributed Vision Services (DVS), used for billing operations.

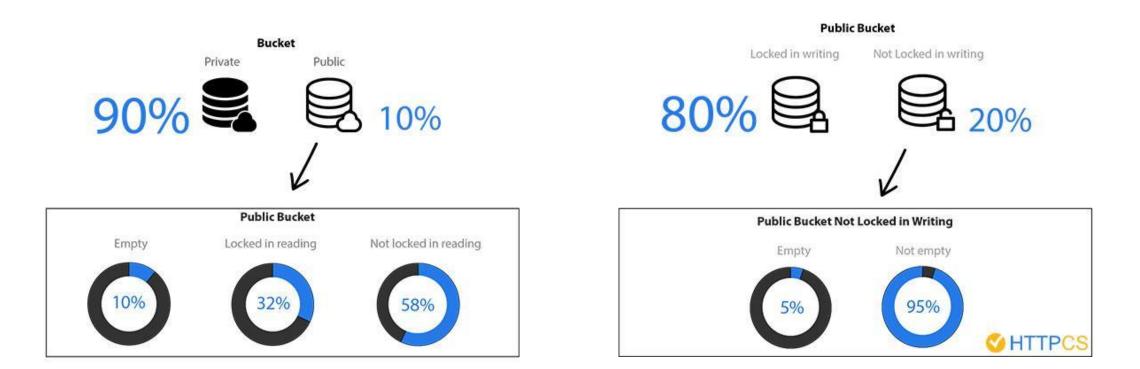
♦ An auto-tracking company leaked over a half of a million records with logins/passwords, emails, VIN (vehicle) identification number), IMEI numbers of GPS devices and other data that is collected on their devices, customers and auto dealerships.







Writable Public Storages



https://www.bleepingcomputer.com/news/security/2-percent-of-amazon-s3-public-buckets-arent-write-protected-exposed-to-ransom-attacks/ https://blog.httpcs.com/etude-dimpact-configuration-aws-buckets-amazon-s3/













Case Studies (best way to show impact)







Case Study 1: Authenticated User

Access be deceiving

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This issue als	o led us to audit some of our additional S3 l	buckets, resulting in changes for so	me of those buckets as well.

https://hackerone.com/reports/128088

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Case Study 2: Rocket.chat Installer

What's in the name

- Unclaimed S3 bucket referenced inside Rocket.chat installer
- Reference Lttract //La

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/var/www/rocket.chat/bundle/programs/server λ npm test
> frog-backdoor@1.0.0 test /var/www/rocket.chat/bundle/programs/server > node backdoor.js
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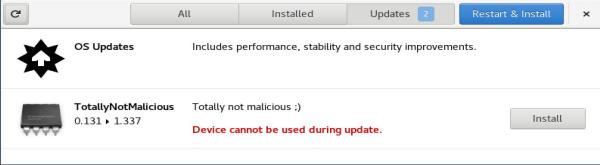






Case Study 3: Fwupd CVE-2020-10759 Updates can be tricky

- Unclaimed S3 Bucket in LVFS (Linux Vendor Firmware Service)
- A PGP Signature bypass in fwupd binary
- In **26 days** : **2.5 million** update requests, **500,000** unique IP



Reference

- <u>https://github.com/justinsteven/advisories/blob/master/2020_fwupd_da</u> <u>ngling_s3_bucket_and_CVE-2020-10759_signature_verification_bypass</u> <u>.md</u>
- <u>https://github.com/fwupd/fwupd/blob/1.3.9/src/fu-keyring-gpg.c#L255-L</u>







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Pizza as a Service 2.0



Attacking Cloud Storage : Methodology a.k.a Why more then half of you are here

- In all the case studies storage played an important part
- So now we have established that storage attacks can be catastrophic
- Methodology we will follow
- 1. Enumerate and Gather information
- 2. Identify vulnerabilities
- 3. Exploit vulnerabilities
- 4. Post exploitation and pivoting
- 5. Circle back to step 1









Attack: Enumeration

- Lets hunt in the dark
- Storage names are unique in the whole of service provider
- A lot of the are predictable for an organization
- Storages are hosted solutions hence port scanning is out of door
- Enumerate / bruteforce various possible bucket name
- No point listing all tools of trade as they keep on changing

Folks @ Redhuntlabs are maintaining this list:

https://github.com/redhuntlabs/Awesome-Asset-Discovery#cloud-infrastruct ure-discovery

https://github.com/redhuntlabs/Awesome-Asset-Discovery#domain--subdom ain-discovery





Cloud Bucket Enumeration Tools: cloud_enum

Cloud_enum: https://github.com/initstring/cloud_enum

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AWS Storage buckets

- Access AWS buckets
 - https://s3.amazonaws.com/bucket_name
 - https://<bucketname>.s3.amazonaws.com
- Bucket Enumeration possible via difference in error messages https://s3.amazonaws.com/bucket_name/
- For REST style URL we now need region tagged https://s3.<region>.amazonaws.com/<bucket_name>/

Identifying region of Bucket

• Request to any random region url will reveal correct URL



https://s3.<anyregion>.amazonaws.com/bucket_name





AWS S3 Buckets Enumeration

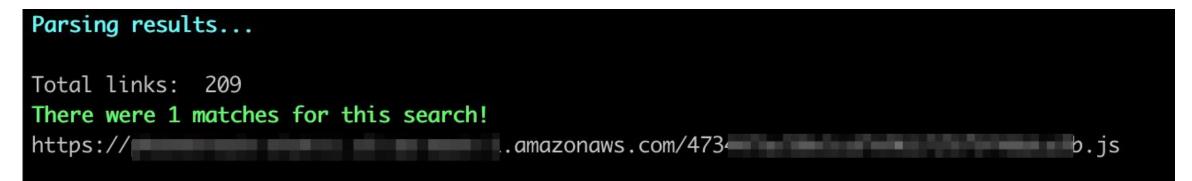
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Cloud Bucket URL Scraper

- Cloud Scraper
- Extracts out cloud URLs from HTML source of the website
- Project: <u>https://github.com/jordanpotti/CloudScraper</u>





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AWS Cloud Bucket Search Engine

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Wondering what is this website ? Read details here: How to	search for Open Amazon s	3 Buckets and their contents
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Attack: Identification and Exploitation

Primary Focus on permissions:

- Anonymous access granted on bucket
- Misconfigured write access for a resource
- Restricted to auth user (any authenticated user)
- Lax IAM Rules/Policies giving access to data







Azure SAS URL's

- Azure allows creation of URLs with specific access to storage accounts
- These URL's are pretty popular amongst Developers

Example URL

https://<accountname>.<service>.core.windows.net/?sv=2018-03-28&s s=bfqt&srt=sco&sp=rwdlacup&se=2019-09-30T17:13:23Z&st=2019-09-30T 09:13:23Z&sip=88.208.222.83&spr=https&sig=LCoN4d&2B&2BZSzPtP071fM S34k&2FhLf2Wjen9pzhlAGFfPU%3D





Leaked Storage Account Keys

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https://github.com/search?q=DefaultEndpointsProtocol&type=Code



Storage Attacks: Azure

Parameter	Description				
sv	Optional. Specifies the storage service version				
SS	Required. Specifies the services accessible , Possible values include: Blob (b), Queue (q), Table (t), File (f				
srt	Required. Specifies the signed resource types that are accessible with the account SAS. - Service (s): Access to service-level APIs - Container (c): Access to container-level APIs - Object (o): Access to object-level APIs for blobs, queue messages, table entities, and files				
sp	 Required. Permissions for the account Read (r): Permits read operations Write (w): Permits write operations Delete (d): Valid for Container & Object types, except for queue messages. List (l): Valid for Service and Container resource types only. Add (a): Valid only for: queue messages, table entities, & append blobs. Create (c): Valid for the following Object resource types only: blobs and files. Users can create new blobs or files, but may not overwrite existing blobs or files. Update (u): Valid for the following Object resource types only: queue messages and table entities. Process (p): Valid for the following Object resource type only: queue messages. 				
se	Required. Expiry Date.				
st	Optional . Validity Start Date. If omitted, it is assumed to be the time when the storage service receives the request.				
sip	Optional. IP address or a range of IP addresses allowed				
spr	Optional. Permitted protocol. Possible values are HTTP (https, http) or HTTPS only (https).				
sig	Required . The signature part of the URI is used to authorize the request made with the shared access signature.				

ttps://notsosecure.com/identifying-exploiting-leaked-azure-storage-keys/

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Connecting to Azure Storage

	Microsoft Azure Storage Explorer	
$\bullet \circ \circ$	Connect to Azure Storage	
Connect to	o Azure Storage	
How do you want to	connect to your storage account or service?	
Add an Azure Account		
Add a resource via Azure Active Directory (Azure AD)		
O Use a connection string		
 Use a shared access signature (SAS) URI 		
O Use a storage account name and key		
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Azure Storage

• Azure storage can be accessed by

https://<storagename>.blob.core.windows.net/<container>

- Container Content can be listed at https://<storagename>.blob.core.windows.net/<container> ?restype=container&comp=list
- Container content can be directly read via web url https://<storagename>.blob.core.windows.net/<container> /<file>







Case Study: Azure Storage

Careful with that URL

Starting point: Overly Privileged Azure Storage SAS URL is exposed

Exploitation Process:

- 1. Obtain an Azure Storage SAS URL
- 2. Load the URL in Azure Storage explorer or similar
- 3. Identify various assets available in the storage
- 4. Access the source code of the Azure function
- 5. Plant a backdoor, next invocation gets the backdoor running
- 6. Hide the backdoor

Ref: <u>https://www.notsosecure.com/identifying-exploiting-leaked-azure-storage-keys/</u>



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Attack: Post Exploitation

- Once access to storage accounts is obtained it opens various path
- Example:
 - Files such as office documents can reveal softwares and usernames
 - FaaS / PaaS code can lead to RCE in application allowing post exploitation and pivot
 - Sensitive data in buckets can be worth many times over the company valuation
 - Secrets such as passwords or keys can lead to pivot in the network







Credential Harvesting

Hunting for the username

- Office Documents generally Embed Username details
- Downloadable content on website
- Google Dorking
 - Filetype: xlsx / doc / docx
- Extracting Metadata
 - Specialized tools like FOCA (<u>https://github.com/ElevenPaths/FOCA</u>)
 - Homemade automation

exiftool *.docx | egrep "Author|Last Modified By|Creator" | sort -u
exiftool *.xlsx | egrep "Author|Last Modified By|Creator" | sort -u
exiftool *.pdf 2>&1 | egrep "Author" | sort -u







Case Study: SSRF to EC2 takeover

- Starting point: SSRF on a Web Application
- Obtained Metadata details (account id, region, security-credentials)
- Using credentials enumerate all s3 buckets
- One s3 bucket contained pem files for all ec2 boxes
- Enumerate instances to identify higher power roles
- Obtained access to those instances via pem files
- Backdooring the AWS account by creating new id with iam:* capabilities
- Reference: <u>https://www.threatstack.com/cloud-attack</u> (not exact but similar)







Case Study: PaaS: Elastic Beanstalk

From Beans to RCE

Starting point: SSRF on an application hosted in AWS Elastic Beanstalk

Exploitation Process:

- 1. Obtained Metadata details (account id, region, security-credentials)
- 2. No direct access to read S3 bucket list
- 3. Enumerated bucket name using the account id and region
- 4. Access source code of the application via AWS S3 CLI
- 5. CI/CD in place hence a backdoor pushed to S3 bucket will result in shell deployed on the official website
- 6. Summitroute did extra research & identified more such naming patterns

Ref: https://gist.github.com/0xdabbad00/645837c1fcd043876d13a56819188227







Case Study: AWS Cognito Analysis

- AWS Temp Credentials can be obtained if identity pool is known
- Leveraged crowd sourcing via commoncrawl, decompiling android apk
- Collected a total of 2504 identity pool identifiers
- Explored permissions on each pool identifier
 - more than **1 in 5** AWS Cognito configurations **are insecure**
 - 906 S3 buckets which contained sensitive information
 - identified 1572 lambda functions, exposing at least 78 sensitive env variables

References: <u>https://andresriancho.com/internet-scale-analysis-of-aws-cognito-security/</u>



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Defenses

a.k.a things everyone should do but no one cares

- Cloud Vendors
 - Provide warnings on possible problematic scenario's
 - Automation for common problem detection and solution
- Tenant
 - Identity and Access management is key
 - No unauth /public access unless required
 - Authenticated user is most definitely not the setting you want
 - Periodically run scans to identify variations
 - Ensure you are aware of your own setup limitations









Vendor Warnings

docs.microsoft.com/en-us/rest/api/storageservices/create-account-sas

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Bucket settings for Block Public Access

Public access is granted to buckets and objects through access control lists (ACLs), bucket policies, access point policies, or all. In order to ensure that public access to this bucket and its objects is blocked, turn on Block all public access. These settings apply only to this bucket and its access points. AWS recommends that you turn on Block all public access, but before applying any of these settings, ensure that your applications will work correctly without public access. If you require some level of public access to this bucket or objects within, you can customize the individual settings below to suit your specific storage use cases. Learn more

Block *all* public access

Turning this setting on is the same as turning on all four settings below. Each of the following settings are independent of one another.

- Block public access to buckets and objects granted through new access control lists (ACLs)
 S3 will block public access permissions applied to newly added buckets or objects, and prevent the creation of new public access ACLs for existing buckets and objects. This setting doesn't change any existing permissions that allow public access to S3 resources using ACLs.
- Block public access to buckets and objects granted through any access control lists (ACLs)
 S3 will ignore all ACLs that grant public access to buckets and objects.
- Block public access to buckets and objects granted through new public bucket or access point policies
 S3 will block new bucket and access point policies that grant public access to buckets and objects. This setting doesn't change any existing policies that allow public access to S3 resources.
- Solution Block public and cross-account access to buckets and objects through *any* public bucket or access point policies

S3 will ignore public and cross-account access for buckets or access points with policies that grant public access to buckets and objects.

to:

- Delegate access to service-level operations that are not currently available with a servicespecific SAS, such as the Get/Set Service Properties and Get Service Stats operations.
- Delegate access to more than one service in a storage account at a time. For example, you can delegate access to resources in both the Blob and File services with an account SAS.
- Delegate access to write and delete operations for containers, queues, tables, and file shares, which are not available with an object-specific SAS.
- Specify an IP address or range of IP addresses from which to accept requests.
- Specify the HTTP protocol from which to accept requests (either HTTPS or HTTP/HTTPS).

Stored access policies are currently not supported for account SAS.

\otimes Caution

Shared access signature are keys that grant permissions to storage resources, and should be protected in the same manner as an account key. It's important to protect a SAS from malicious or unintended use. Use discretion in distributing a SAS, and have a plan in place for revoking a compromised SAS. Operations that use shared access signatures should be performed only over an HTTPS connection, and shared access signature URIs should only be distributed on a secure connection such as HTTPS.



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Vendor : AWS Config

AWS Config > Rules > s3-bucket-public-write-prohibited s3-bucket-public-write-prohibited				
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AWS Config: Auto Remediation

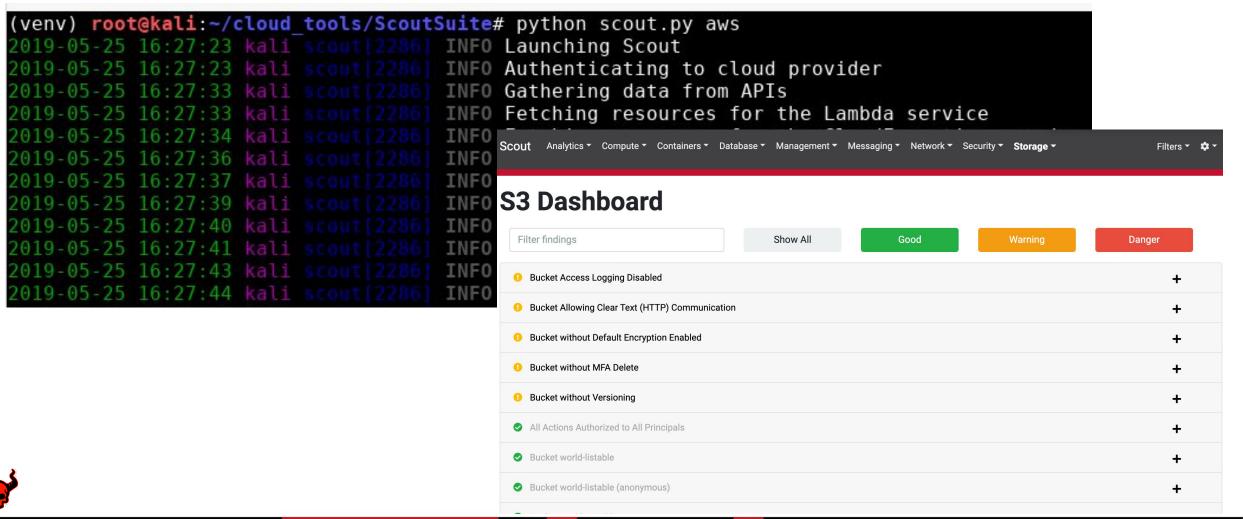
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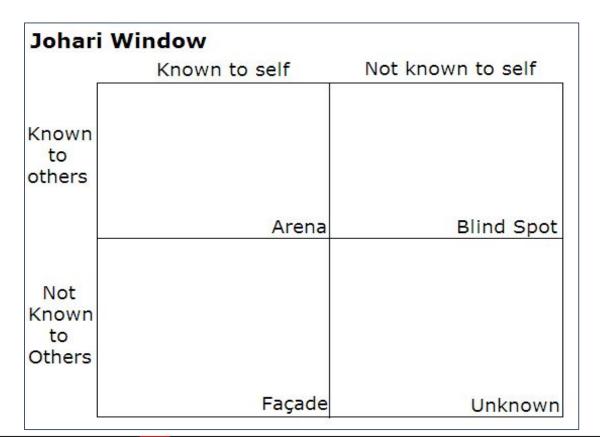
Tenant: Periodic Scan: Scout Suite





Tenant: Prepare for Disaster

- Be prepared for the inevitable
- Validate your Setup
 - Simulate hacks
 - Observe reactions
 - Finetune reactions
 - Revalidate

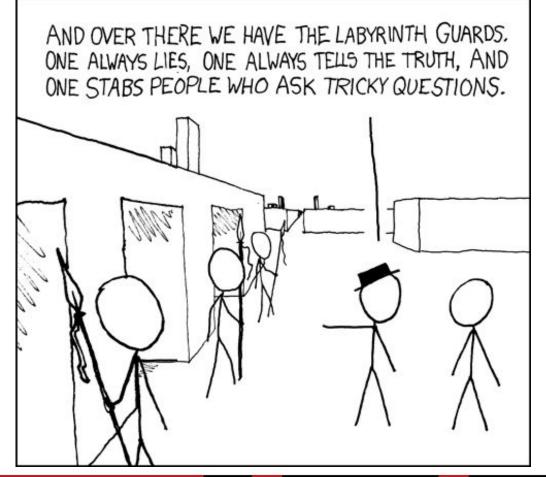






Question and Answers

I will now look at the chat and answer questions.



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https://xkcd.com/246/

RED TEAM VILLAGE @





Additional Reference Material

- Jason Haddix's awesome The bug hunter's Methodology Series
- <u>https://github.com/jhaddix/tbhm</u>
- https://cloudsecwiki.com/







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