

Building Security Analytics using Native XML Databases

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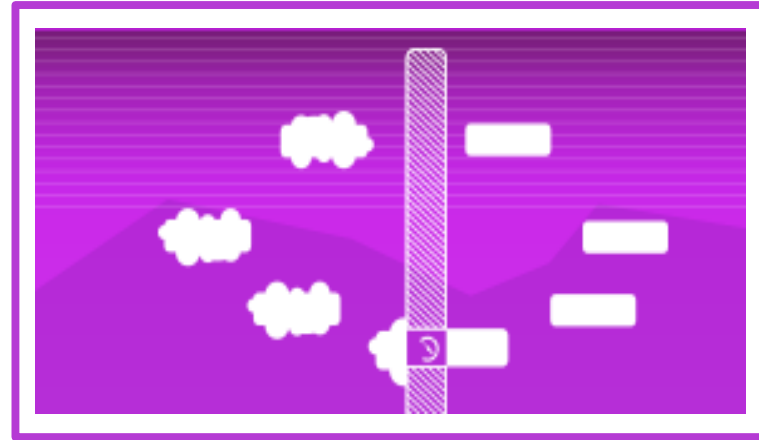
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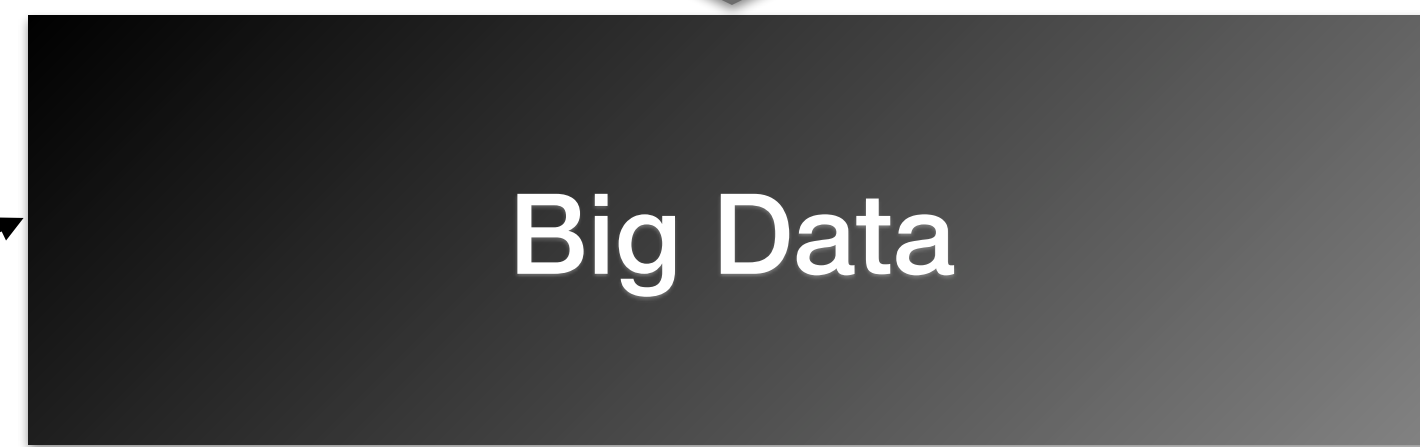
Binary Static Analysis (SAST)



Vendor Application Security



Web Apps Perimeter Monitoring



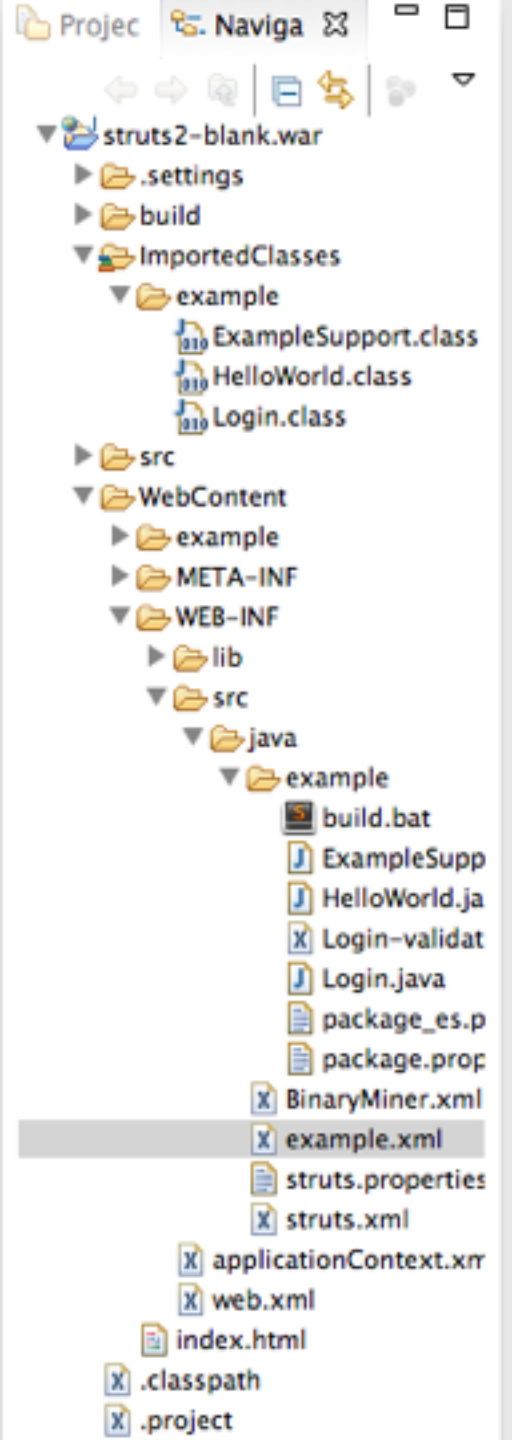
Dynamic Analysis (DAST)



Single Cloud-Based Platform



Mobile Application Security



```
package example;
```

```
public class Login extends ExampleSupport {
```

```
    public String execute() throws Exception {
```

```
        if (isInvalid(getUsername())) return INPUT;
```

```
        if (isInvalid(getPassword())) return INPUT;
```

```
        return SUCCESS;
```

```
    }
```

```
    private boolean isInvalid(String value) {
```

```
        return (value == null || value.length() == 0);
```

```
    }
```

```
    private String username;
```

```
    public String getUsername() {
```

```
        return username;
```

```
    }
```

```
<struts>
```

```
<package
```

```
    name="example"
```

```
    namespace="/example"
```

```
    extends="struts-default">
```

```
    <action
```

```
        name="*"
```

```
        class="example.ExampleSupport">
```

```
            <result>/example/{1}.jsp</result>
```

```
        </action>
```

```
    <action
```

```
        name="HelloWorld"
```

```
        class="example.HelloWorld">
```

```
            <result>/example/HelloWorld.jsp</result>
```

```
    </action>
```

```
    <action
```

```
        name="Login!*"
```

```
        class="example.Login"
```

```
        method="{1}">
```

```
            <result
```

```
                name="input">/example/Login.jsp
```

```
            </result>
```

```
            <result
```

```
                type="redirect-action">Menu</result>
```

```
        </action>
```

```
    </package>
```

```
</struts>
```

Login.class

```
package example;

public class Login extends ExampleSupport {

    public String execute() throws Exception {

        if (isInvalid(getUsername())) return INPUT;

        if (isInvalid(getPassword())) return INPUT;

        return SUCCESS;

    }

    private boolean isInvalid(String value) {
        return (value == null || value.length() == 0);
    }
}
```

```
<class name="example.Login">
  <inheritance
    name="example.ExampleSupport"/>
  <function name="isInvalid"/>
  <function name="&lt;init&gt;">
    <apiCalls
      name="example.ExampleSupport:&lt;init&gt;"/>
    </function>
  <function name="execute">
    <apiCalls
      name="example.Login:getUsername"/>
    <apiCalls
      name="example.Login:isInvalid"/>
    <apiCalls
      name="example.Login:getPassword"/>
    <apiCalls
      name="example.Login:isInvalid"/>
    </function>
  </class>
```

```
<struts>
  <package
    name="example"
    namespace="/example"
    extends="struts-default">
    <action
      name="*"
      class="example.ExampleSupport">
      <result>/example/{1}.jsp</result>
    </action>
    <action
      name="HelloWorld"
      class="example.HelloWorld">
      <result>/example/HelloWorld.jsp</
    </action>
```

```
<class name="WEB-INF/example.xml">
  <function name="action/@name">
    <apiCalls
      name="HelloWorld"/>
    <apiCalls
      name="Login!*" />
    <apiCalls
      name="*" />
  </function>
</class>
```

#XML Metadata

<Archives>

```
<archive name="struts2-blank-2.0.1.war">
```

```
  <class name="example.Login">
```

```
    <inheritance name="example.ExampleSupport"/>
```

```
    <function name="isInvalid"/>
```

```
    <function name="&lt;init&gt;">
```

```
      <apiCalls name="example.ExampleSupport:&lt;init&gt;"/>
```

```
    </function>
```

```
    <function name="execute">
```

```
      <apiCalls name="example.Login:getUsername"/>
```

```
      <apiCalls name="example.Login:isInvalid"/>
```

```
      <apiCalls name="example.Login:getPassword"/>
```

```
      <apiCalls name="example.Login:isInvalid"/>
```

```
    </function>
```

```
  </class>
```

```
  <class name="WEB-INF/src/java.example.xml">
```

```
    <function name="action/@name">
```

```
      <apiCalls name="HelloWorld"/>
```

```
      <apiCalls name="Login!*" />
```

```
      <apiCalls name="*" />
```

```
    </function>
```

```
  </class>
```

```
  <class name="WEB-INF.web.xml">
```

```
    <function name="filter-class">
```

```
      <apiCalls name="org.apache.struts2.dispatcher.FilterDispatcher"/>
```

```
    </function>
```

```
  </class>
```

```
</archive>
```

</Archives>

10MB * 300 \approx 3GB

3GB * 5 * 52 \approx 1TB

1TB * 7 \approx 7TB

Clients using insecure api: org.insecured:f_insecure()

Top 10 most prevalent frameworks across all our clients ?

Most inherited entry points from framework f ?

Approaches Considered

Bash Automated Script

Relational Database

Hadoop + Mahout

Hadoop + AVRO + HIVE

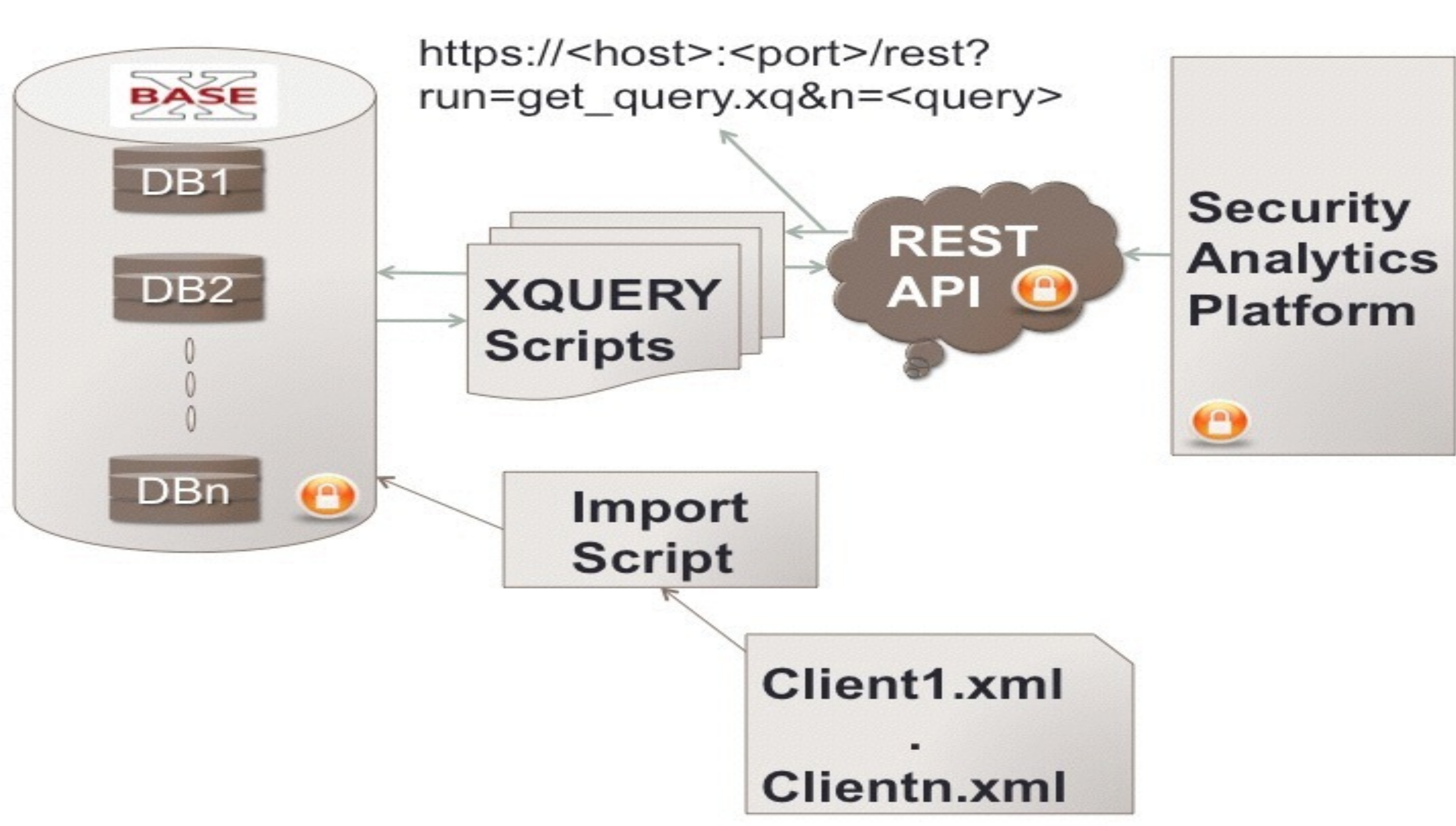
NoSQL

Wish List

Store Parsed XML

Use XML Query technologies

Results in reasonable timeframe



```
for $db in db:list()
  let $query :=
    "declare variable $db external; "
    || "db:open($db)"
    || $n
  return
    xquery:eval($query,
      map { 'db': $db, 'query': $n
    })
```

Exploiting Struts 2 OGNL Vulnerability CVE-2013-2251

Languages

- [English](#)
- [Español](#)

500 GB

16 million

64 min

BaseX Wish List

Security at rest

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