



OWASP

Open Web Application  
Security Project

Tell me  
stories about  
your appsec,  
let's skip the  
pentest

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# O.W.A.S.P.



- Open Web Application Security Project[s]
  - owasp.org, open-source, non-profit
  - AppSec evangelism
- OWASP ≠ Top 10 (which is an **educational project!**)
- for production:
  - **ASVS V3** (Application Security Verification Standard)
  - SAMM (Software Assurance Maturity Model)
  - Testing Guide (TG)
  - SKF (Security Knowledge Framework)
  - (T10) Proactive Controls
  - ...

# OWASP Proactive Controls



C1: Parameterize Queries

C2: Encode Data

C3: Validate All Inputs

C4: Implement Appropriate Access Controls

C5: Establish Identity and Authentication Controls

C6: Protect Data and Privacy

C7: Implement Logging, Error Handling and **Intrusion Detection**

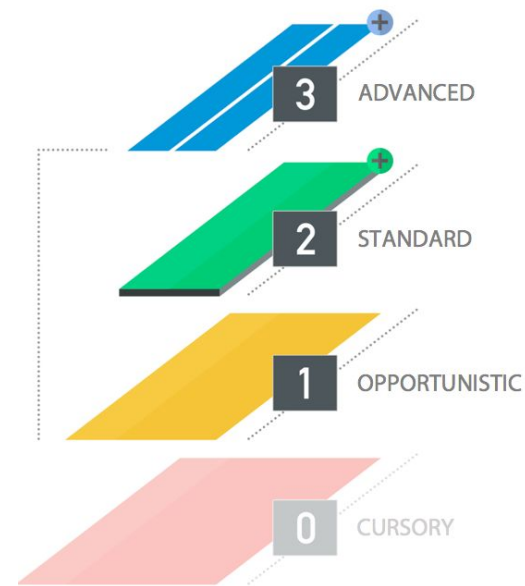
C8: Leverage Security Features of Frameworks and Security Libraries

**C9: Include Security-Specific Requirements**

C10: Design and Architect Security In



# OWASP ASVS



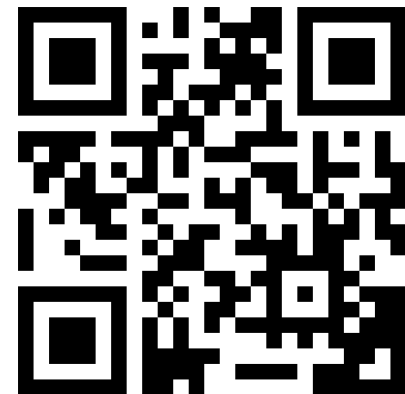
## ■ AppSec Verification Standard

- “security engineering checklist”
- levels (eg. L2): risk --> requirements --> verification

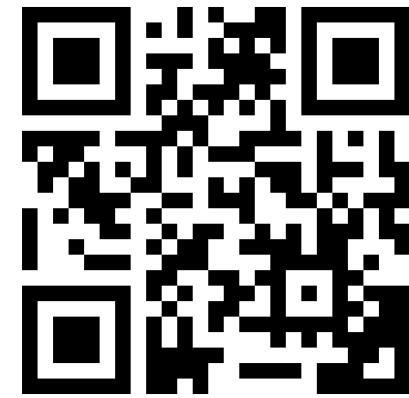


# #sec

- [schneier.com/crypto-gram.html](http://schneier.com/crypto-gram.html)
  - “the conceptualism”
- [pauldotcom.com](http://pauldotcom.com) (security weekly)
  - beer & cigars
- [twit.tv/sn](http://twit.tv/sn) (security now)
  - your grandpas
- Jean Baudrillard: Passwords
- [goo.gl/6GGzYq](http://goo.gl/6GGzYq)



# appsec concepts



- AppSec = QA (**security QA**, SeQA)
  - product + production/dev + support + etc practices
- don't buy it w/o **threat modeling** (risk assessment)
- audit/**testing**
  - va, **vapt**, sast, dast, iast, **code review**, **ci** ...
- **S-SDLC** (SDL) + AS **policy**
  - design, code, configuration, controls, testing (**MS SDL**)
  - patch management, support agreement, sec SLA
- **countermeasures**: filter, isolate, monitor, respond
  - waf, sandboxing, dmz, log audit, id(p)s



# untrustable quality

Will CODE  
JAVA AND C++  
FOR FOOD



# causes: complexity

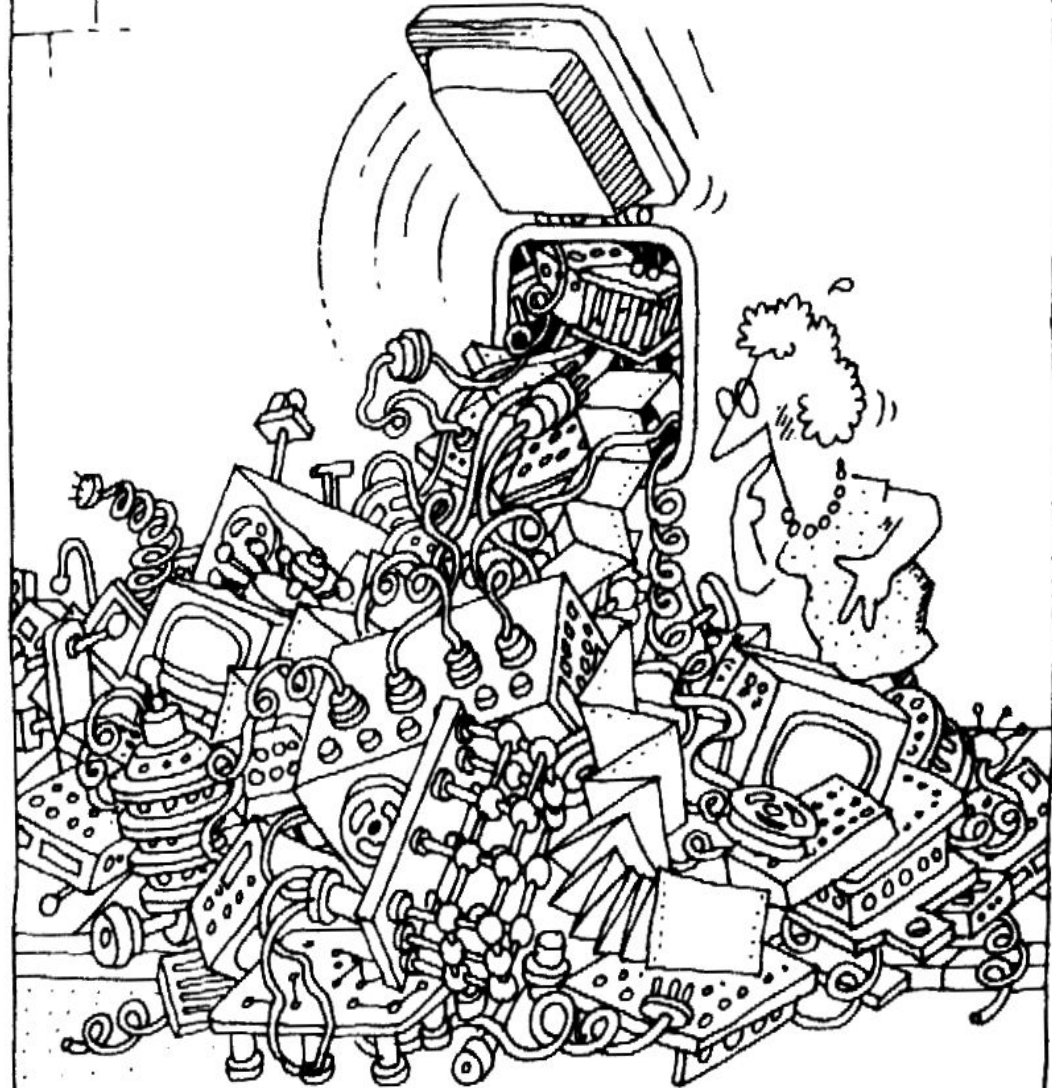


image: Bobbi J. Young et al. 2007. Software complexity: how do we bring order to chaos?



# causes: dev culture





causes: complicity



*image: Thomas van de Weerd*



# causes: appsec mis-mgmt

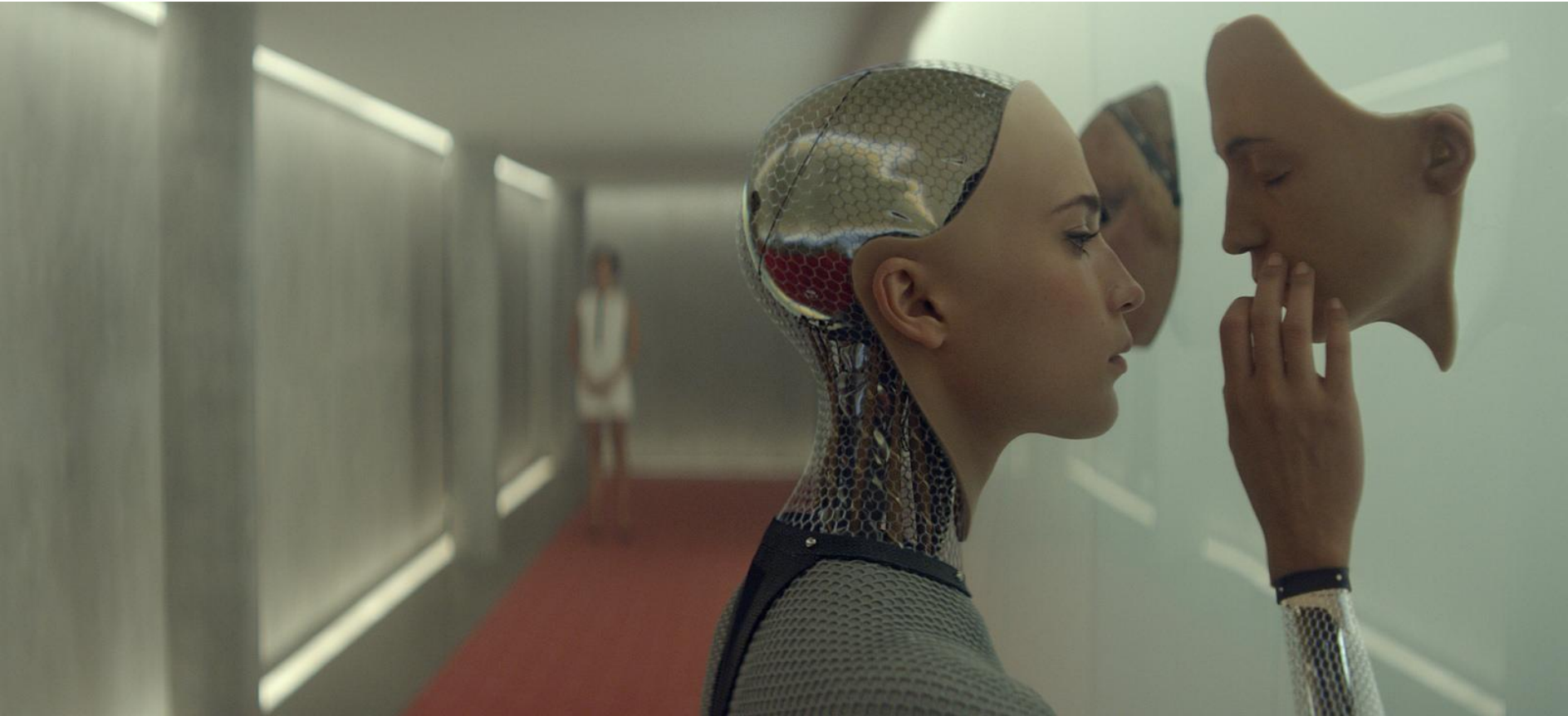
*CEO, business, legal*



*CIO, CISO, CRO, etc.*



# causes: testing methodologies



# causes: unhelpful eh



A close-up photograph of a man with a grey beard and mustache, wearing a dark blue suit jacket, white shirt, and dark tie. He is sitting at a dark desk, looking down at an open notebook. His right hand is holding a white pen over the notebook. A white coffee cup is visible on the desk to the right. The background is blurred, showing what appears to be an office setting with a window and some papers.

let's skip the pentest/audit!  
let's do narrative interviewing!



# why stories

- the root causes of application security
  - are mostly of organizational nature, not technical
- why blackbox/dynamic testing while ...
  - (while you can do static / code review?!)
  - while you can ask!
- testing the product you measure symptoms while ...
  - the roots are in the process
    - see S-SDLC, QA, policies, practices, conflicts
  - the roots are in the manufacturing unit (org)





# narrative interview

- use the mature org dev methodology
  - see qualitative interview
- interview managers
  - with care
- interview workers (devs, devops)
- analyse the situation and interpret the findings
- propose changes
  - improving security (S-SDLC) is an iterative process
- speak Utlish



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+design

+testing



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# did you threat-model?



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# and secure coding course?



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# be tested, trained, coached!

train  
secure  
coding



review  
with devs

audit,  
VAPT



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+ respond to the incidents!



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# resource: cut eh bdt

- eh (ethical hacking incl webapp/mobile testing) is just another expensive social construct you subscribed to
    - eh culture is just as bad as that of the dev's
  - relocate and spend more on:
    - trainings, **secure coding** courses
    - S-SDLC, AppSec policy/**rulebook** enforcement
    - **threat modeling** and IR
  - find the **root causes (mostly organizational)**
  - use appsec specialists with whom your devs can work constructively (eg. coaching)
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# resource for the smb-s

- involve a visiting appsec **specialist in critical moments**
- have a **visiting ciso**, at least rarely visiting
- make one resident member of the dev team **security champion** (see MS SDL)
- secure coding **courses**



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