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It's incredible in this day and age of web development that so many Software Development Life Cycles (SDLC) do not have access to a web vulnerability scanner. Rather, for their testing needs, they must enlist a third-party to crawl their websites and seek-out vulnerabilities. Oftentimes, these tests are run when the company "can get to it." By the time the reports are available, they are often outdated due to additional changes or edits made in the interim.

If you're still relying on another company to run your vulnerability tests for you, it's time to take your productivity to the next level. It's easy to utilize, run, and benefit from your own web vulnerability scanner, such as the one included in Acunetix. If you're still on the fence, here are a few things that may sway you.
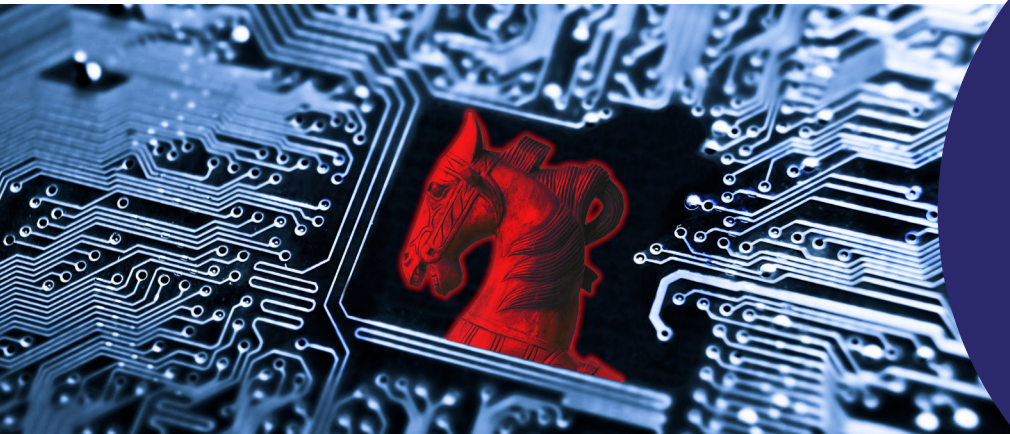
Immediately Test and Retest for Greatest Accuracy

When you don't have access to a web vulnerability scanner, you're essentially a slave to your penetration testing company. You have to follow their submission requirements, fill out the forms, provide all the information, and then wait for them to finish testing. After they've tested whichever sites their other clients submitted

before your request came in, they'll eventually get to yours. Then, after their web vulnerability scanners have checked your site, you have to wait more as they put together a report of all their findings – which may or may not include all the information you need.

At this point, you or your team may have already made additions or adjustments to the website, which could make the incoming report dated, even before you receive it. If you need to retest, the whole process starts all over again.

As a developer, how great would it be to finalize a website, immediately start penetration testing, and get the results in very little time? Most developers find it invaluable. They can make the necessary adjustments and additions, and instantly begin retesting. With the web vulnerability scanner in Acunetix, you can.

FUN FACT:

In September 2011, the FBI began investigating a modified version of the Zeus Trojan, known as GameOver Zeus (GOZ). Thousands of corporations were infected with GameOver Zeus and as many as 1.2 million computers were infected prior to the take down. It is believed GameOver Zeus is responsible for financial losses of more than $100 million USD.

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Huge Results in No Time

One of the issues many developers find with results from penetration test companies is that the data they receive back is often less informative than they would like – even to the point of seeming or being incomplete. There are certain testing results many developers want to receive that security testing companies often only touch upon lightly – or worse yet – fail to include.

With the web vulnerability scanner tool from Acunetix, once you have run a penetration test on a new website, the data you receive back is comprehensive. Each and every detail of the web crawl is documented and listed, allowing you to pick-and-choose the parts most important to you and the progress of your project. Unlike with a third-party tester, your results are available to you immediately following your web vulnerability scan – allowing you to make immediate adjustments and retest at your convenience.

Save Money by Reinforcing Security on the Front-end

As a web developer, it's always tragic to hear one of your websites was breached due to insufficient security. Maybe the site wasn't properly tested? Maybe the implementation was rushed? – the fact is, you now have to go back into the system, add more security measures, and resume the testing process – costing you a great amount of time and money.

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With your own web vulnerability scanner, you have the ability to test and retest as much as you like, utilize the results to reduce crawl time, and launch the site with full confidence your site is as secure as possible. Acunetix's web vulnerability scanner grants you the type of SDLC security not possible with a third-party testing company.

Increase Productivity with Acunetix Web Vulnerability Scanner

We all want our businesses to have more money, time, and success. Why outsource an entire company when you can have your own scanner to produce better quality scans and vastly decrease turnaround times for code revisions? It's time to take a closer look at Acunetix to see all the benefits it can offer your company in addition to its comprehensive web vulnerability scanning function.

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