



Webscarab, an introduction.

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Who am I?

■ During the day

- ▶ Technical manager at Bee-ware
 - <http://www.bee-ware.net>



■ During the night

- ▶ Trying to acquire a good understanding of
 - network security
 - web application and web services security
 - Pen-testing

Why am I here ?

- A good opportunity to hear people talking about applications and the related security implications.
- To better understand how applications work and how they are developed.
- WebScarab is simply a great tool that gave me 'the' better understanding of HTTP and HTTP-based applications.

What is WebScarab?

- A java based tool
 - ▶ Security analysis
 - ▶ Application debugging
- WebScarab acts as a proxy between a client and an application
 - ▶ browsers accessing a web application
 - ▶ a client application accessing a web service
 - ▶ ...

What can you do with WebScarab?

- Allows user to view HTTP(S) conversations between browser and server
- Allows user to review those conversations
- Allows user to intercept and modify on the fly
- Allows user to replay previous requests
- Allows user to script conversations with full access to the the request and response object models
- And much more!

Obtaining WebScarab

■ More information

- ▶ <http://www.owasp.org/software/webscarab.html>

■ Hosted on Sourceforge

- ▶ http://sourceforge.net/project/showfiles.php?group_id=64424&package_id=61823

■ Documentation

- ▶ <http://dawes.za.net/rogan/webscarab/docs/>

■ Mailinglist

- ▶ <http://lists.sourceforge.net/lists/listinfo/owasp-webscarab>

Installing WebScarab

■ Various package formats

▶ **webscarab-installer-<date>.jar**

- `java -jar webscarab-selfcontained-20051017-2127.jar`

▶ **webscarab-selfcontained-<date>.jar**

▶ **webscarab-src-<date>.jar**

■ **Beta version available via mailinglist**

▶ **Beta version will be discussed during presentation**

What is new in the beta version?

■ More extensive certificate support

- ▶ Pkcs#12
- ▶ Pkcs#11
- ▶ CAPI (to come)

■ Credential support

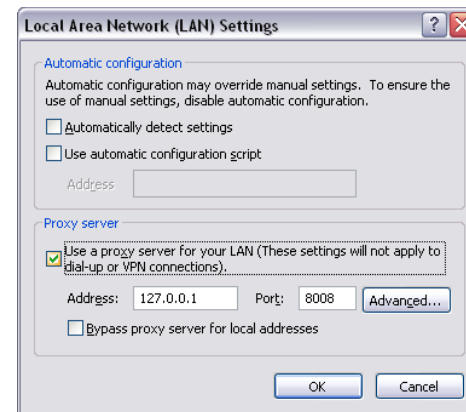
- ▶ Automatic learning of credentials
- ▶ Automated insertion of credentials

■ Extensions module

Setting up the environment

- Application and WS can be installed on same workstations

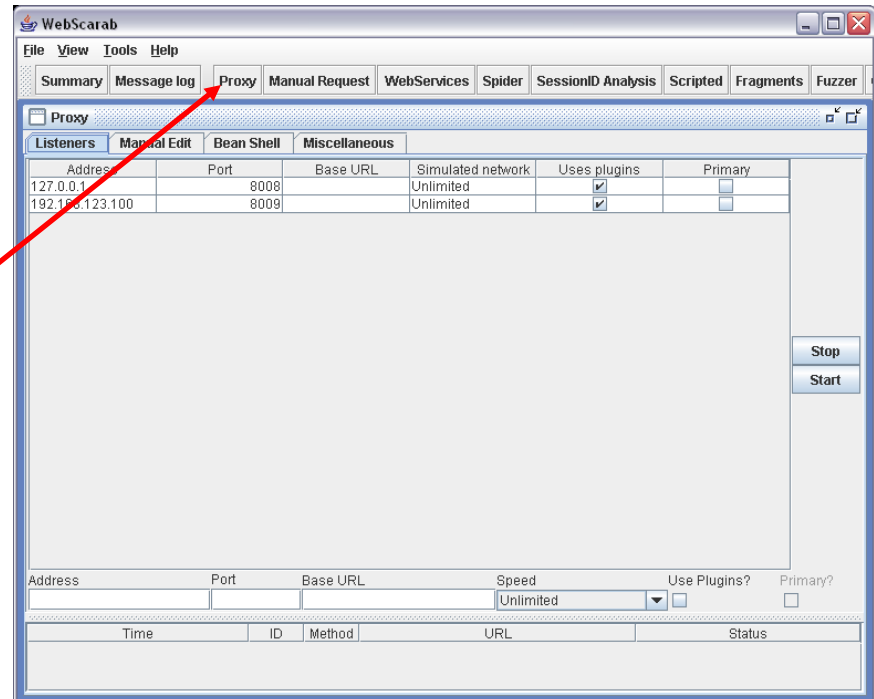
- ▶ Application is configured to connects to WS at **127.0.0.1:8008** by default



- Application and WS can be installed on different machines

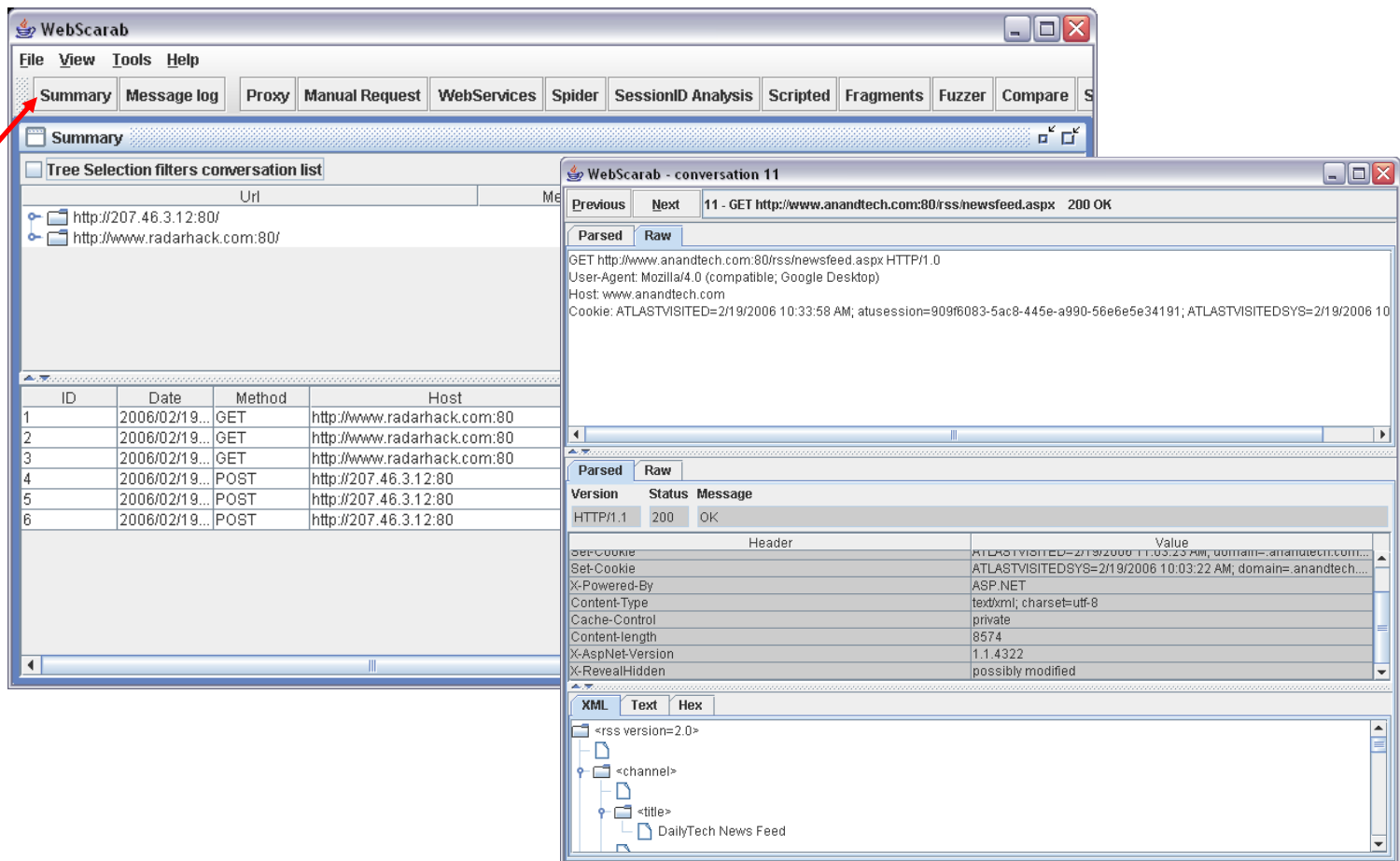
Configuring WebScarab

- Multiple instances of reverse proxies
 - Proxy Button
- WS can use upstream proxies
 - Ex. A Web Application Firewall under test
 - Tools -> Proxies



WebScarab is ready to capture traffic

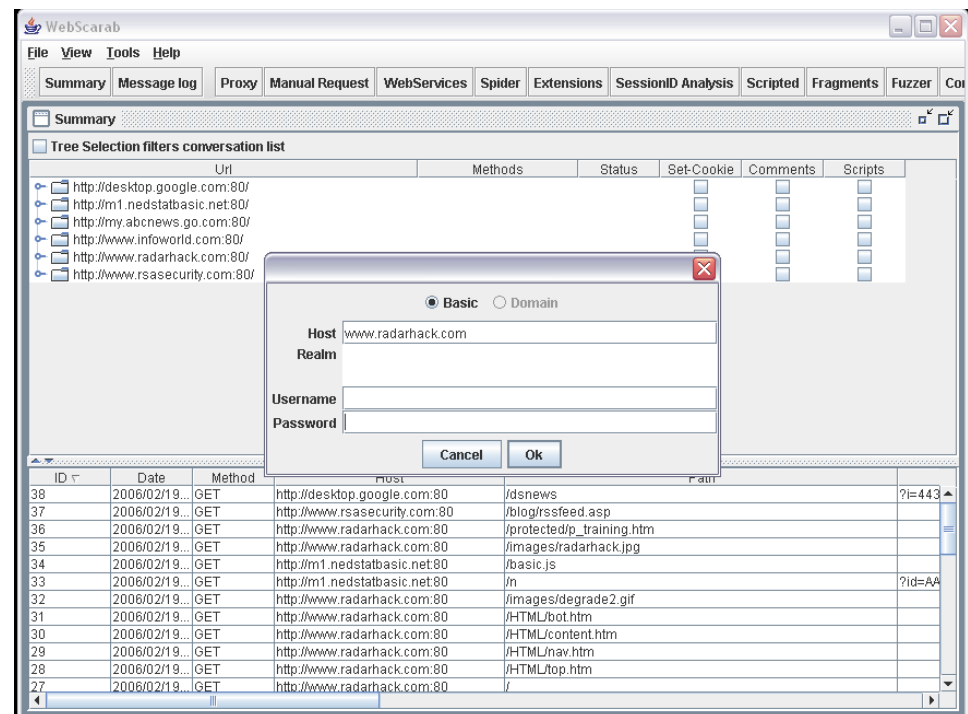
- Summary window displays in real-time all traffic passing through.



Credential caching/learning

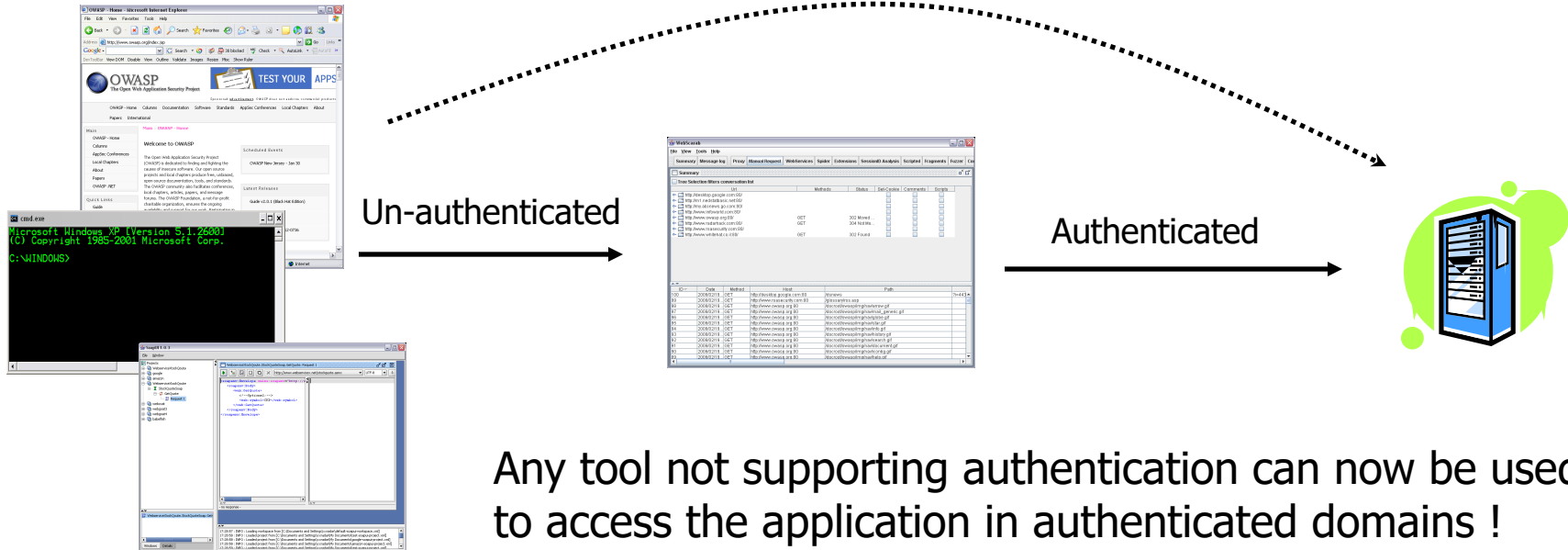
- When an application requires authentication, WS will popup to learn the credentials. Credentials will be automatically inserted.

- ▶ Basic authentication
- ▶ NTLM authentication



Is this useful ?

Authenticated (w/o WS)

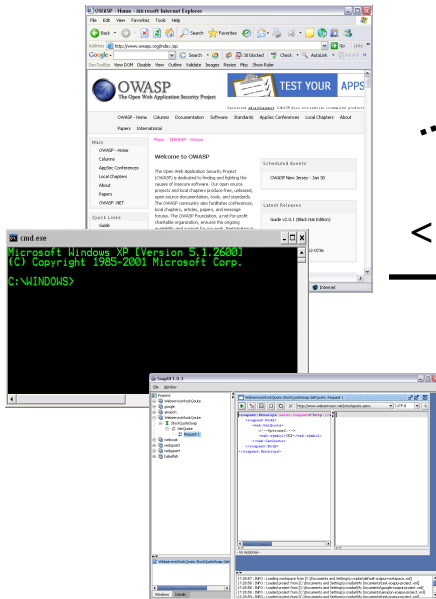


Any tool not supporting authentication can now be used to access the application in authenticated domains !

Ex. nc, web service invocation tools ... but also build in features such as manual crafted requests, the spider and extension module

SSL support

<- Server certificate (w/o WS)



<- WS certificate

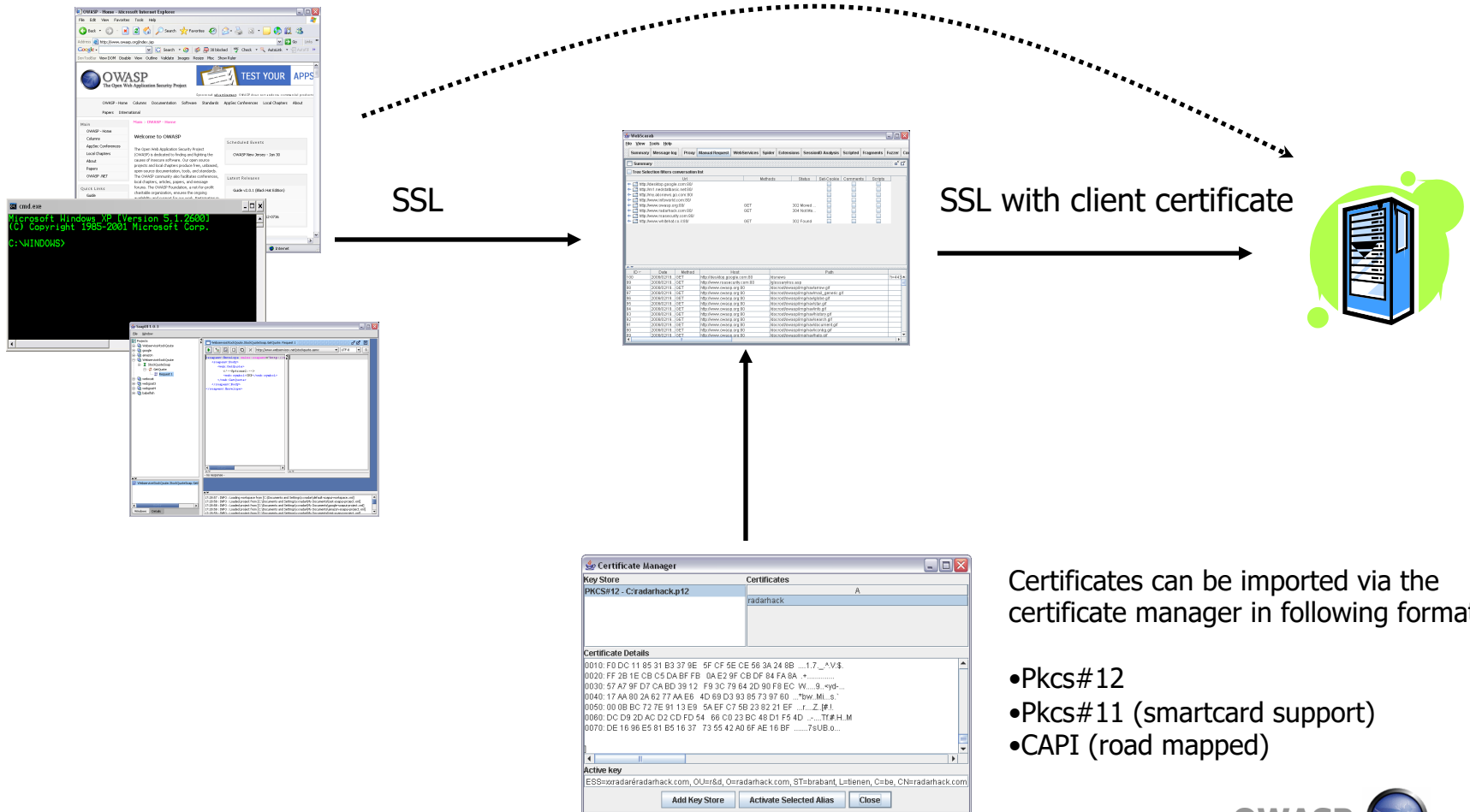
A screenshot of a WebWork application showing a table of data. The table has columns for 'ID', 'Date', 'Method', 'Status', 'Response', 'Comments', and 'Log'. The data is organized into a table with multiple rows and columns. The table is titled 'WebWork' and has a 'Summary' tab selected. The table contains data for various methods like GET, POST, and PUT, with status codes like 200 OK and 404 Not Found. The table is organized into a table with multiple rows and columns. The table is titled 'WebWork' and has a 'Summary' tab selected. The table contains data for various methods like GET, POST, and PUT, with status codes like 200 OK and 404 Not Found.

<- Server certificate



SSL and client certificate support

SSL with client certificate (w/o WS)

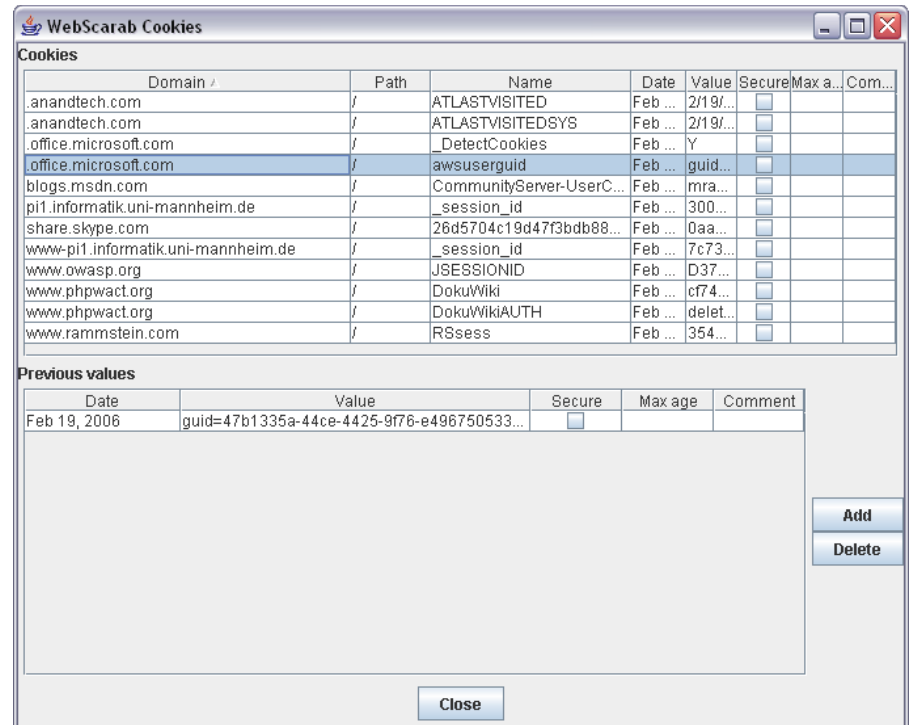


Certificates can be imported via the certificate manager in following formats:

- Pkcs#12
- Pkcs#11 (smartcard support)
- CAPI (road mapped)

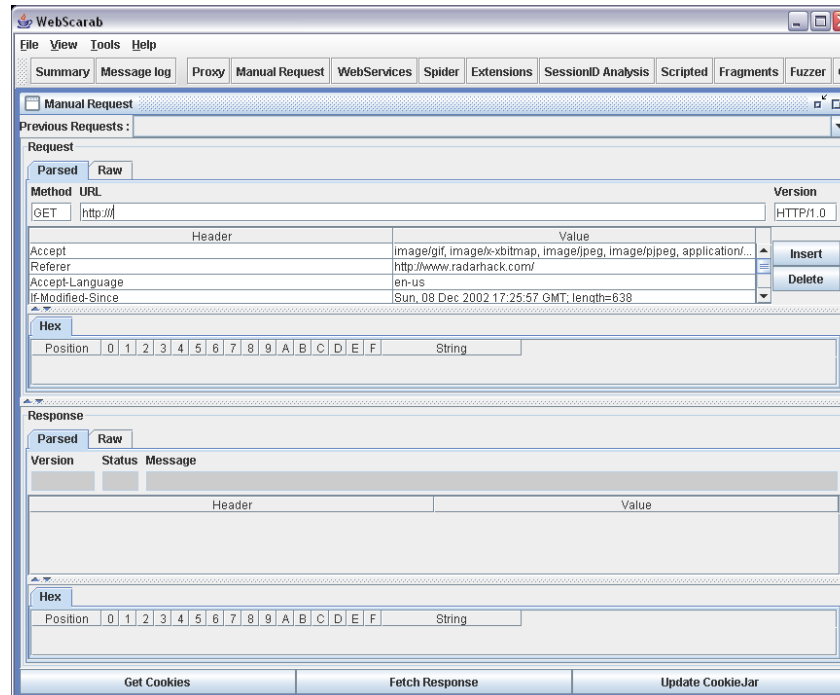
Shared Cookies plug-in

- WS will automatically record all cookies seen by other WS plug-ins.
 - ▶ cookies re-use in
 - Spider
 - Manual request



Manual Request plug-in

- Previous request can be modified
- New requests can be build from scratch
 - ▶ Shared credential are taken into account!
 - ▶ Shared cookies can be reused use !



Demo

■ Demo 1

- ▶ Accessing a protected resource via netcat

■ Demo 2

- ▶ Accessing a protected resource via shared cookies

Spider plug-in

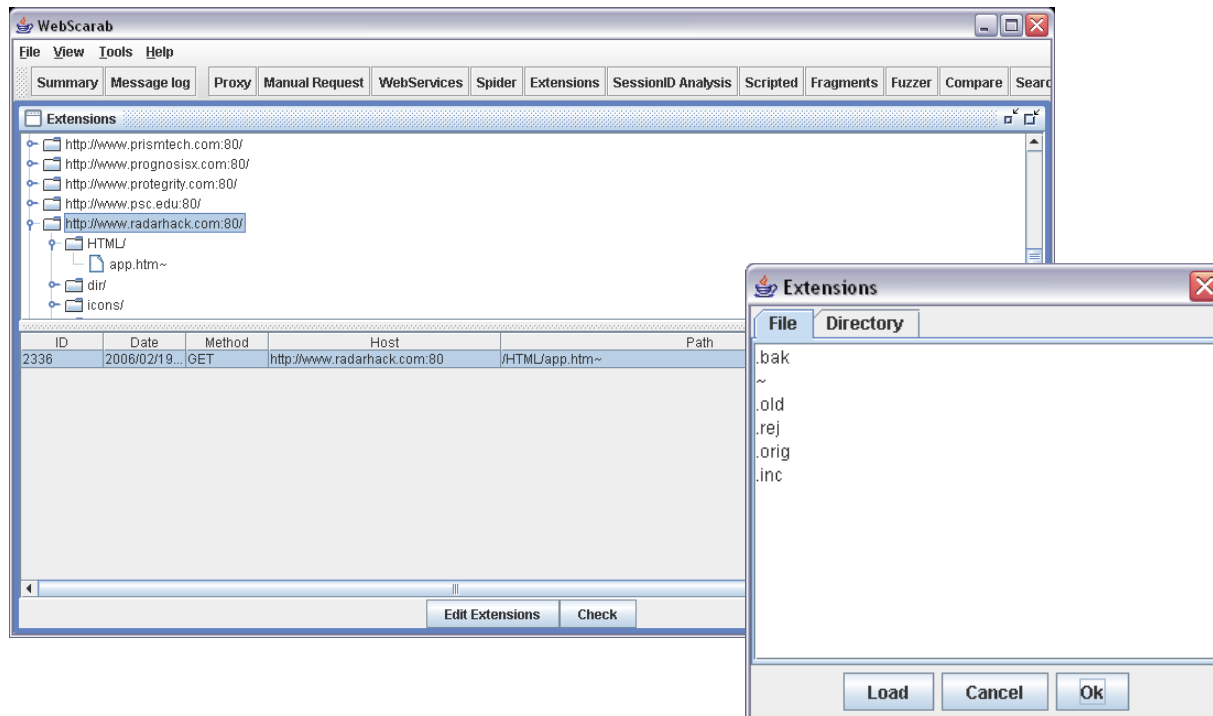
- The Spider plug-in analyses responses to identify any links in the response body, or the "Location" header.
- If the URL represented has not been seen, the URL is added to a tree, and can be automatically downloaded when desired.

Remark:

After a URL has been fetch, it is added to the Summary pane and disappears from the spider pane !

Extension plug-in

- The Extension plug-in uses the Extensions tree to brute-forces a set of file extensions.



Web Services plug-in

- Web Services Description Language
 - ▶ Detection of WSDL file in conversations
 - ▶ Manual import of WSDL file
- Automatic parsing of services
- Invocation tool

- A nice tool in combination with webscarab is
 - ▶ <http://www.soapui.org/>

Demo

■ Demo 1

- ▶ Checking out the Amazon web services API

■ Demo 2

- ▶ WebScarab invocation tool
- ▶ SOAP UI via WebScarab

Other features

- Search
- Compare
- Fragments
- Scripted
- SessionID Analysis

Other products

- Paros

- ▶ <http://www.paros.org>

- Achilles

- ▶ <http://achilles.mavensecurity.com/>

- Spike

- Burp suite

- IEWatch

Thank You