# DOING MORE WITH LESS

Practical applications for generative AI in cybersecurity

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## **INTRODUCTION**



**WORK** 

Security Architect, Santander UK



CAREER

Consultant, Contractor, Permanent



**HOBBIES** 

Smallholding, Homelabbing, Coding

## **OBJECTIVES**

- Demo some tools
- Raise awareness of practical applications for generative AI in cybersecurity

- Introduction to generative AI
- Security risks associated with LLMs
- 'Chat with documents' use cases

## USE CASE 1

Threat modelling with STRIDE GPT

### **KEY FEATURES**

- Prompt templates parameterised with app details
- OpenAI model called with formatted prompt
- Model outputs JSON objects that are parsed into Python dicts

https://stridegpt.streamlit.app

https://github.com/mrwadams/stride-gpt

## USE CASE 2

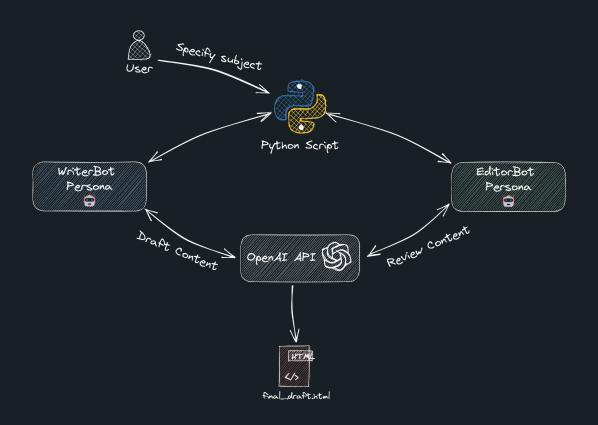
Generating security awareness content using multiple personas

### **KEY FEATURES**

- Simulated conversation between two AI personas
- Use of personas enables specialisation and improves task focus
- Easily customisable to different content generation tasks
  - Add personas, change roles
  - Modify prompts and goals

https://github.com/mrwadams/beeblebots

## **PROCESS FLOW**



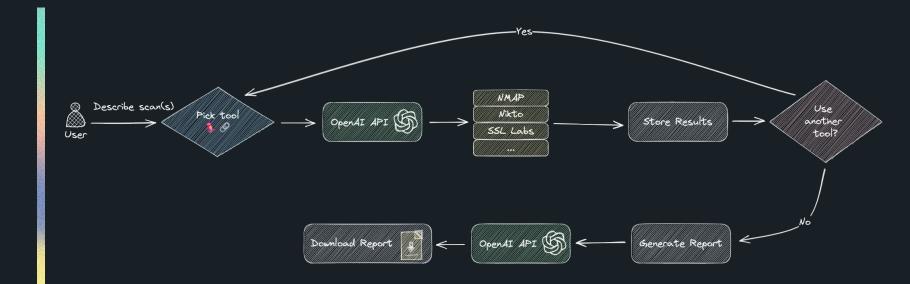
## USE CASE 3

Security scanning and reporting using autonomous agents

## **KEY FEATURES**

- User describes required scan(s) in natural language
- Agent-based orchestration
  - Agent decides which tool(s) to use based on user request
- Visibility into agent's "thoughts" to improve transparency

## **PROCESS FLOW**



### **IDENTIFYING USE CASES**

- Imagine you had a new intern what would you delegate?
- Good candidates for generative AI are repetitive and/or tedious tasks that can be automated
- Look for opportunities to augment human capabilities with AI
- Start small with a well-defined initial use case

## **BEST PRACTICES**

- Start with non-critical use cases
- Integrate 'human-in-the-loop' reviews
- Monitor closely for bias
- Document processes and track performance
- Be transparent about use of Al

## **BEST PRACTICES (cont.)**

- Evaluate cybersecurity impact
- Watch out for misplaced over-reliance
- Keep developing internal AI expertise

## ANY QUESTIONS?

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