

# AppDefend

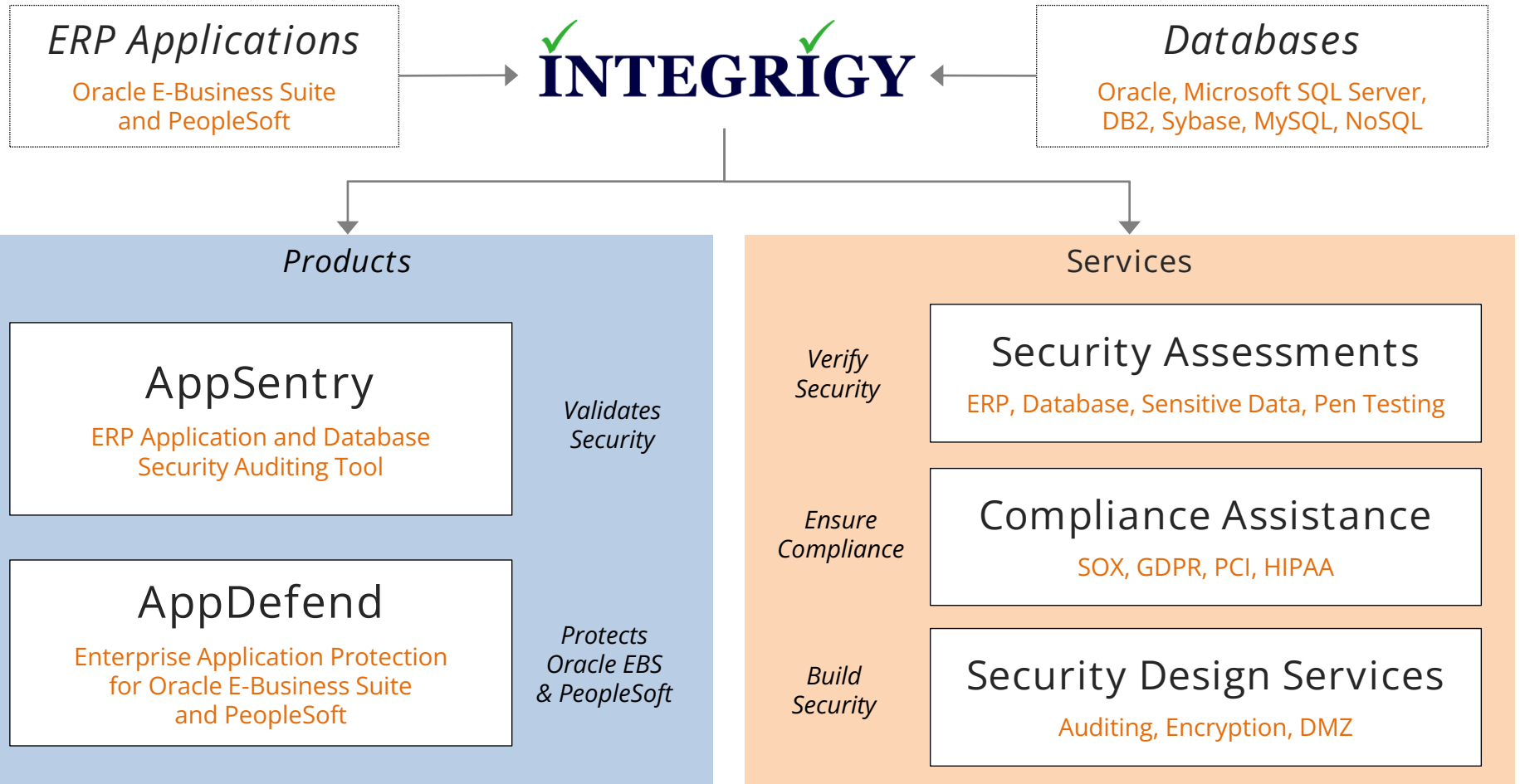
Oracle PeopleSoft

Enterprise Application Protection

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*mission critical applications ...  
... mission critical security*

# About Integrigy



Integrigy Research Team

ERP Application and Database Security Research



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## Safe Harbor Statement

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# Integrigy's Products

## AppSentry

Security scanner for databases, application servers, and ERP packages

- Performs advanced penetration testing and in-depth security and controls auditing
- Performs over 1,000+ audits and checks on Oracle products
- Requires no software to be installed on the target servers

## AppDefend

Application firewall and protection system for ERP packages

- Blocks common attacks like SQL injection, session hijacking, cross site scripting, and Java deserialization
- Blocks access to unimplemented application modules and pages
- Scans all incoming web requests and outbound responses

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Oracle PeopleSoft  
security vulnerabilities  
fixed between  
January 2005 and April 2021

524

# OWASP Top 10 – PeopleSoft Mapping



Ten top security risks commonly found in web applications listed by level of risk

A1: Injection

A2: Broken Authentication

A3: Sensitive Data Exposure

A4: XML External Entities (XXE)

A5: Broken Access Control

A6: Security Misconfiguration

A7: Cross-Site Scripting (XSS)

A8: Insecure Deserialization

A9: Components with Known Vulnerabilities

A10: Insufficient Logging and Monitoring

High Risk

Medium Risk

Low Risk



# WASC Threat Classification – PeopleSoft Mapping



Web Application  
Security  
Consortium

Comprehensive list of threats to the security of a web site – attacks and weaknesses

## Attacks

Abuse of Functionality

Brute Force

Buffer Overflow

Content Spoofing

Credential/Session Prediction

Cross-Site Scripting

Cross-Site Request Forgery

Denial of Service

Fingerprinting

Format String

HTTP Response Smuggling

HTTP Response Splitting

HTTP Request Smuggling

HTTP Request Splitting

Integer Overflows

LDAP Injection

Mail Command Injection

## Null Byte Injection

OS Commanding

Path Traversal

Predictable Resource Location

Remote File Inclusion (RFI)

Routing Detour

Session Fixation

SOAP Array Abuse

SSI Injection

SQL Injection

URL Redirector Abuse

XPath Injection

XML Attribute Blowup

XML External Entities

XML Entity Expansion

XML Injection

XQuery Injection

## Weaknesses

Application Misconfiguration

Directory Indexing

Improper File System Permissions

Improper Input Handling

Improper Output Handling

Information Leakage

Insecure Indexing

Insufficient Anti-automation

Insufficient Authentication

Insufficient Authorization

Insufficient Password Recovery

Insufficient Process Validation

Insufficient Session Expiration

Insufficient Transport Layer Protection

Server Misconfiguration

# Inherent Risks with Package Software

Structure and vulnerabilities within the application are well known and documented

- An attacker knows exactly what to expect and how the application is structured
- No probing or reconnaissance of the application is required
- Fatal attack can be one URL
- Allows for easy automated attacks

## Another Layer of Security

Web Application Firewalls (WAF) are specialized firewalls designed to detect and prevent web application attacks by analyzing the HTTP web requests.

- ❖ Prevents common web application attacks
  - Detects and blocks SQL injection, XSS, and known vulnerabilities in widely used web applications
- ❖ Often implemented as an appliance
  - Dedicated appliance used to protect all web applications in an organization
- ❖ May be required for compliance such as PCI-DSS
  - PCI-DSS 2.0 requirement 6.6 requires use of a WAF or periodic reviews

# Web Application Firewall (WAF) Shortcomings

- ❖ Must be heavily customized for Oracle EBS
  - No out of the box rules for PeopleSoft – no CPU specific rules
  - Unaware for the unique web application architecture of PeopleTools
  - Rules, application profiles, and learning must be developed, tuned, and tested by you
  - PeopleSoft is multiple web architectures resulting in additional tuning
- ❖ Significant cost, effort, and skill required to deploy
  - WAFs are usually an appliance that must be deployed and the learning curve for configuring and operating an enterprise WAF is steep
- ❖ AppDefend is complementary with an enterprise WAF solution
  - AppDefend can be stand-alone or combined with an existing WAF
  - Multiple layers of defense
  - Enterprise WAF provides general protection and eliminates “noise”
  - AppDefend provides PeopleSoft specific layer of protection

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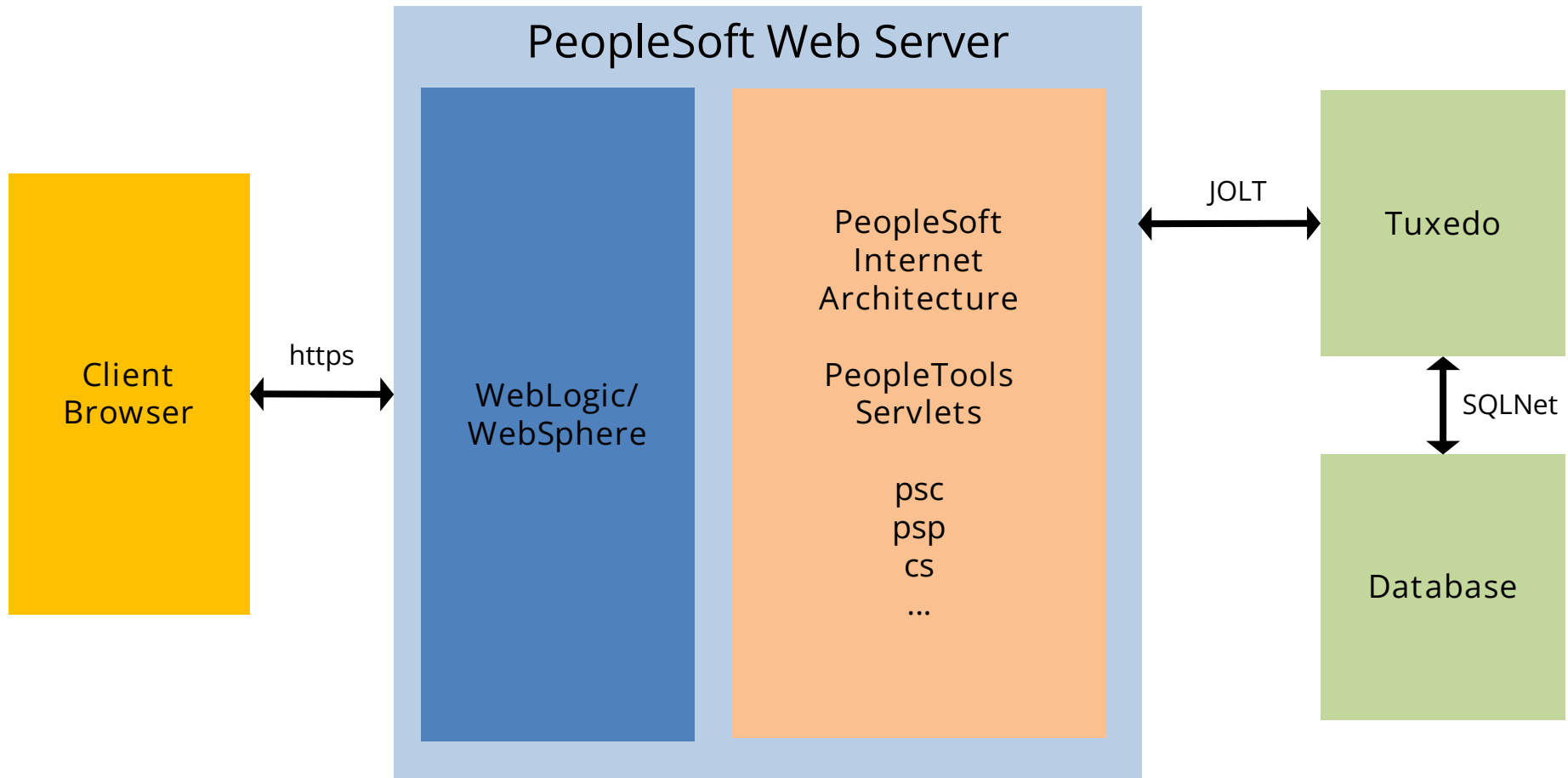
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# PeopleSoft Web Architecture



- PeopleSoft runs as a Java application on the web server using the WebLogic/WebSphere Java container. Java servlets process inbound requests and pass the transaction to Tuxedo/JOLT for processing.

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# Integrigy AppDefend

AppDefend is an application firewall designed and optimized for Oracle PeopleSoft.

## Prevents Web Attacks

Detects and reacts to SQL Injection, XSS, and known application vulnerabilities

## Limits PeopleSoft Pages

Flexible method to limit access to certain pages

## Application Logging

Enhanced application logging for compliance requirements like PCI-DSS 10.2

## Protects Web Services & Mobile

Detects and reacts to attacks against native web services (SOA, SOAP, REST) and mobile applications

## Two-factor Authentication (2FA/MFA)

Enables two-factor authentication for login, user, responsibility, or function



# AppDefend PeopleSoft Support

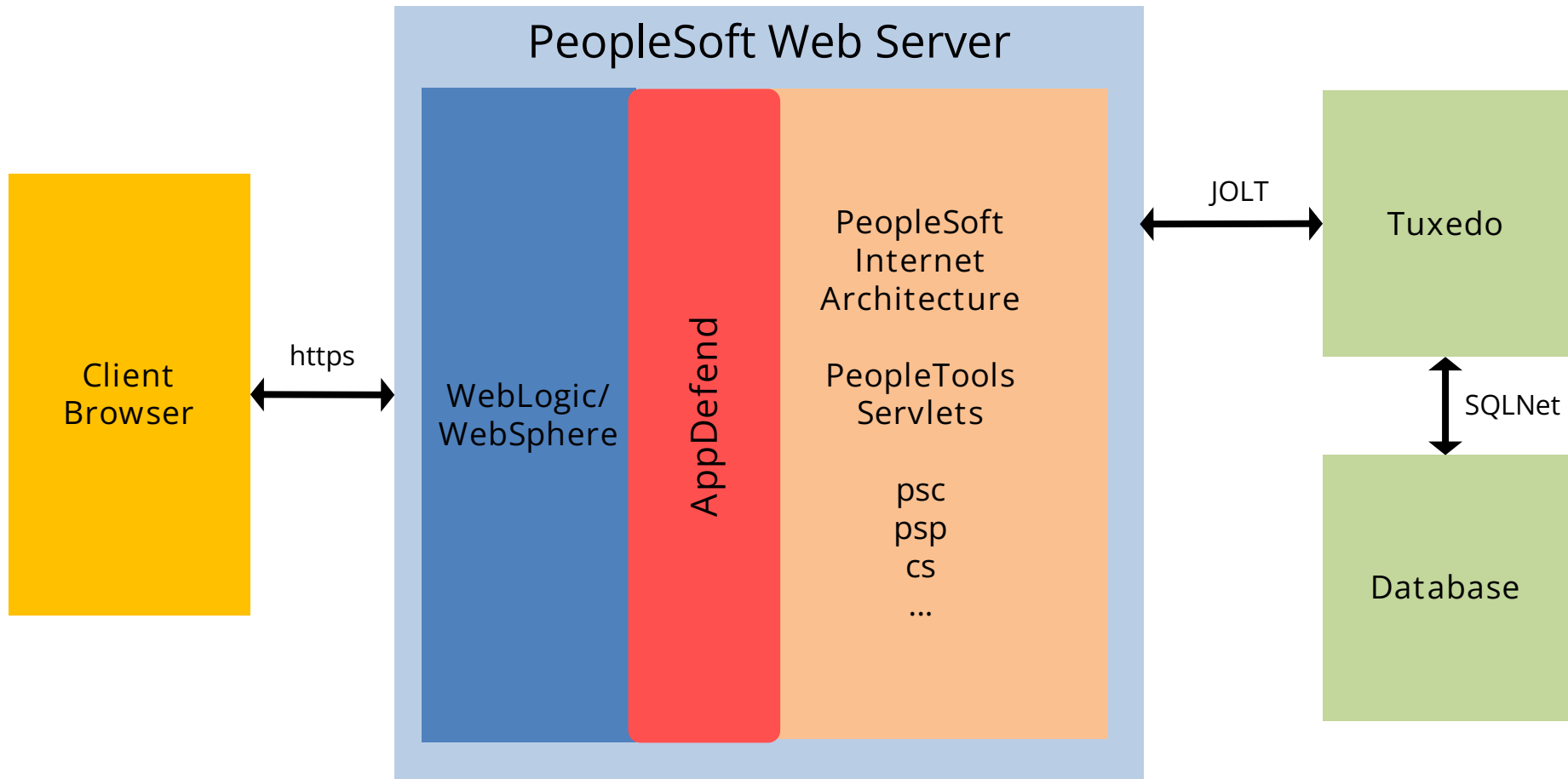
Oracle PeopleSoft	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ 9.2</li><li>▪ 9.1</li></ul>
Oracle PeopleTools	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ 8.50 – 8.60</li><li>▪ 8.50 minimum of JDK 1.6</li></ul>
Operating Systems	<p>Supported operating systems</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Linux x86 (Oracle Enterprise Linux; Red Hat Enterprise Linux AS/ES; SuSe)</li><li>▪ Sun SPARC Solaris</li><li>▪ Sun X64-64 Solaris</li><li>▪ HP PA-RISC HP/UX</li><li>▪ IBM AIX</li><li>▪ Microsoft Windows Server</li></ul>

## AppDefend PeopleSoft WebSphere Support

As of February 14, 2018, Oracle has discontinued certification for WebSphere starting with PeopleTools 8.57.

- AppDefend supports WebSphere with PeopleTools 8.50 through 8.56.
- Starting with PeopleTools 8.57, AppDefend is not supported to run with WebSphere.

# AppDefend and PeopleSoft



- AppDefend runs within the WebLogic/WebSphere Java containers as a servlet filter and monitors all incoming requests and out-going responses. Being in the Java container, AppDefend can access all session state, attributes, error messages, and the database.

# AppDefend Virtual Patching

Eliminate risk and exploitation of the security bug by blocking access to the vulnerable code

- Integrity analyzes the Oracle Critical Patch Update (CPU)
- Delivers pre-defined rules for CPU web bugs
- Rules may be at the page or field level to block known vulnerabilities
- Virtual patching for all PIA CPU patches
  - PeopleSoft patches
  - PeopleTools patches
  - WebLogic patches

# Integrigy Oracle CPU Analysis

For each quarterly Oracle CPU, Integrigy performs an analysis and updates the AppDefend rule set to include virtual patch rules for all external and internal web vulnerabilities

## Sample from Integrigy CPU Analysis

CVE ID	Oracle EBS Versions	Vulnerability Information	Recommended Additional Steps and CPU Patch Testing	AppDefend External (DMZ) Rules (rule ID)	AppDefend Internal Rules (rule ID)	AppSentry Detection (check name)
CVE-2013-5890	11.5.10.2 12.0.6 12.1.1 - 12.1.3 12.2.2	<p><b>Module: Oracle Payroll – Public Sector Payroll</b>  <b>Sub-Component: Payroll Exception Reporting</b>  <b>Type: SQL Injection</b>  <b>Remotely Exploitable without Authentication: No</b>  <b>CVSS Metric: 5.5</b></p> <p>A SQL injection vulnerability in payroll exception report groups.</p>	Basic testing of payroll exception report group configuration and reporting.	<p>New request parameter rule (Rule ID 453)</p> <p><i>*Module should be blocked</i></p>	New request parameter rule (Rule ID 453)	Vulnerable file version check (oraappcpu0114)
CVE-2014-0398	11.5.10.2 12.0.6 12.1.1 - 12.1.3 12.2.2	<p><b>Module: Oracle Application Object Library</b>  <b>Sub-Component: Discoverer and OBIEE Launcher</b>  <b>Type: Information Disclosure and XSS</b>  <b>Remotely Exploitable without Authentication: Yes</b>  <b>CVSS Metric: 5.0</b></p> <p>Multiple information disclosure and cross-site scripting (XSS) vulnerabilities in the launcher for Discoverer and OBIEE. FND_DIAGNOSTICS has to be set to "Yes" in order to exploit most of these vulnerabilities. FND_DIAGNOSTICS should always be set to "No" at the site level for all Oracle EBS environments.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Ensure FND_DIAGNOSTICS is set to "No" at the site level for all environments, especially external facing implementations (i.e., ISupplier, IStore, IRecruitment, etc.). Review all applications, responsibilities, and users where FND_DIAGNOSTICS is set to "Yes".</li> <li>2. Test to see if Discoverer and OBIEE launch successfully.</li> </ol>	<p>New request parameter rule (Rule ID 454)</p> <p><i>*Page should be blocked</i></p>	New request parameter rule (Rule ID 454)	Vulnerable file version check (oraappcpu0114)

Analyze all user provided input to identify and block malicious input

- Intelligent checking of ALL parameters, user input
- Uses best practice libraries for XSS and SQL injection detection
  - OWASP AntiSamy, Java HTML Sanitizer
  - OWASP ESAPI
- Malicious input may be detected, blocked, or sanitized

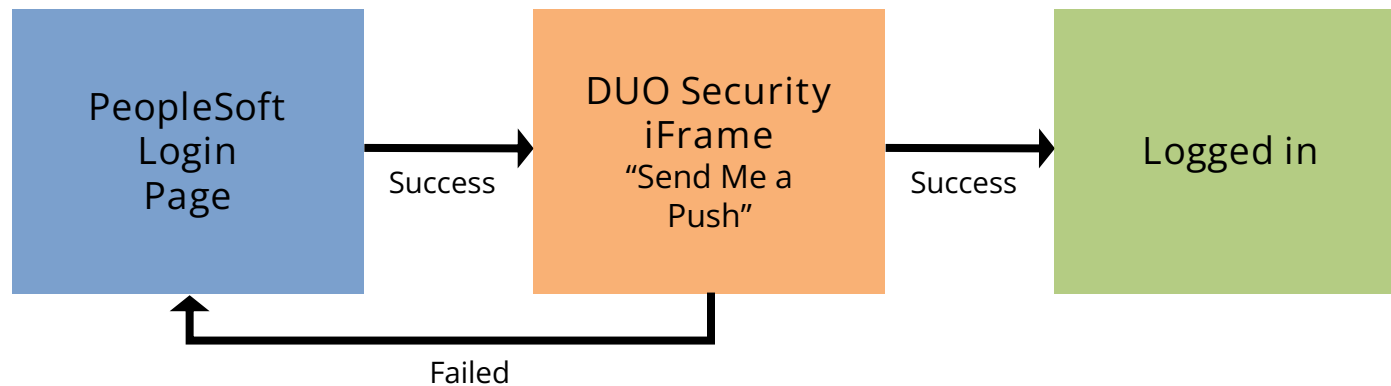
# Application Logging and Auditing

Log and audit key application and security events beyond Oracle EBS current capabilities

- Any page, action, parameter, session attribute may be logged or audited
- PCI logging includes all sessions, responsibilities, and potentially card number access through the application
- Log data can be sent to external systems such as Splunk, ElasticSearch, ArcSight, QRadar, LogRhythm, ...
- Solves gaps in PeopleSoft logging

# AppDefend Adaptive Multi-Factor Authentication

AppDefend enables multi-factor authentication (MFA/2FA) for PeopleSoft using DUO Security, TOTP (Microsoft or Google Authentication), PKI Smartcards, and hardware/software tokens.



- ❖ Multi-Factor Authentication  
Enhances PeopleSoft login security by integrating with 2FA/MFA solution to provide secondary authentication

- ❖ Per Page or Role  
Require MFA when user selects or accesses specific pages, or roles through menus or directly



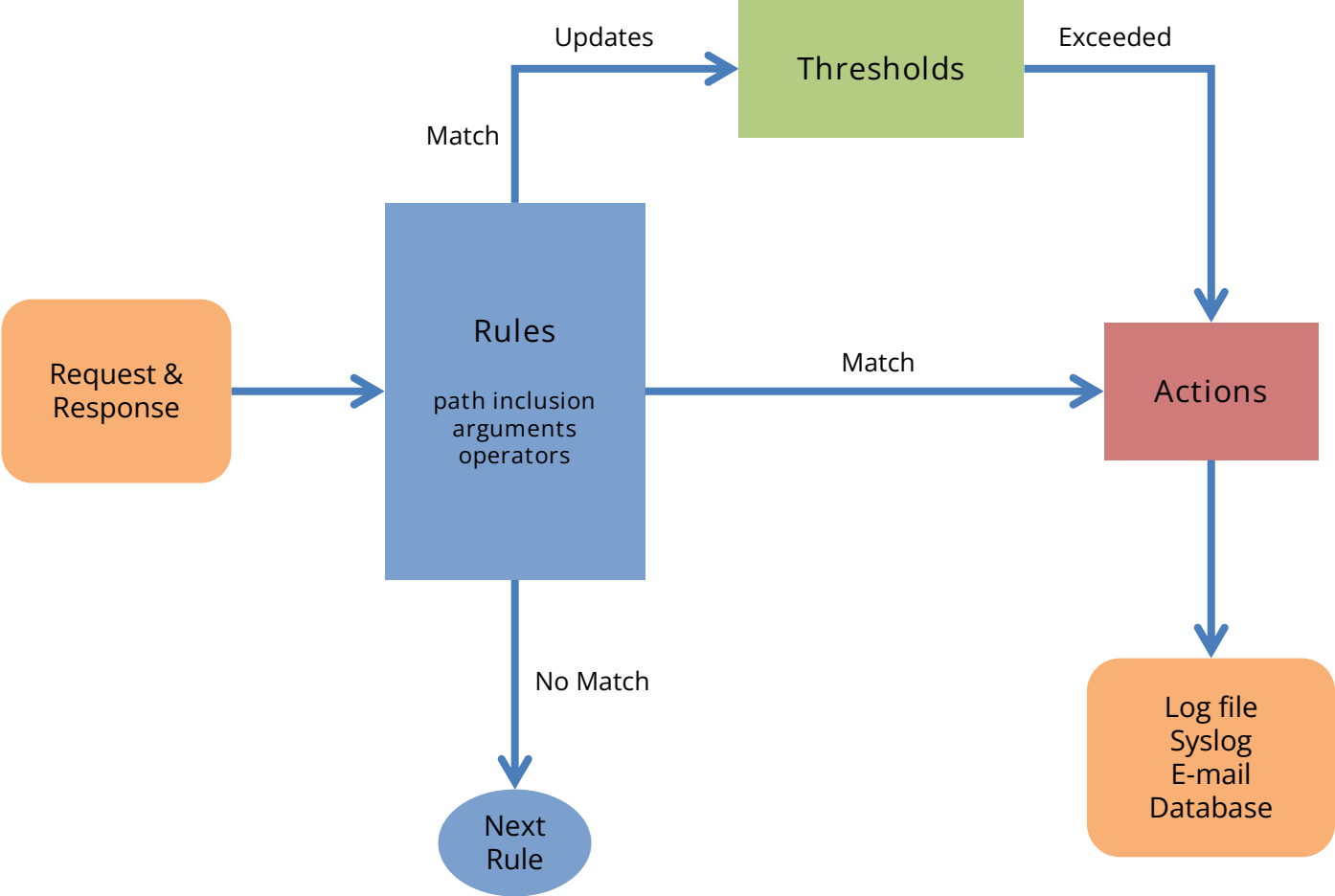
# AppDefend Features

Configuration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Rules and configuration files use JSON notation</li><li>▪ XSS and ESAPI detection fully configurable</li><li>▪ Support for Single Server Domain and Multi Server Domain</li><li>▪ Dynamic reloading of configuration files – no restarting of the application server required</li></ul>
Logging and Alerting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Flexible formatting and destinations</li><li>▪ Destinations include files, syslog, e-mail, database</li><li>▪ Files with periodic or sized-based rotation, size limits</li><li>▪ Syslog with support for major logging platforms (Splunk, ArcSight, enVision, QRadar, etc.)</li></ul>
Resiliency	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Fail open or closed upon internal errors</li><li>▪ Fail open or closed upon startup or configuration errors</li></ul>

# AppDefend Installation and Updates

Installation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ One hour installation web sessions included with subscription – 15-minute install, 45-minute walk-through</li><li>▪ Download and install AppDefend binary and rules</li><li>▪ Customization AppDefend base configuration</li><li>▪ Configure filter definition</li><li>▪ Restart PIA web server</li></ul>
Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ New rules and rule updates – quarterly or as needed</li><li>▪ Download and unzip appdefend.zip</li><li>▪ AppDefend dynamically reloads rules</li></ul>
Upgrades	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ New features and non-rule fixes – biannual or as needed</li><li>▪ Download and unzip appdefend.zip</li><li>▪ Restart PIA web server</li></ul>

# AppDefend Processing



# AppDefend Arguments

AppDefend rules and alerts may use one or more of these arguments.

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ps.user_name
ps.user_signon_name
request.attribute.<name>
request.attributes.names
request.auth_type
request.body_length
request.character_encoding
request.content_length
request.context_path
request.cookie.<name>
request.cookies.names
request.file_extension
request.file_name
request.header.<name>
request.headers.names
request.is_secure
request.line
request.local_addr
request.local_port
request.method
request.parameter.<name>
request.parameters.combined_size
request.parameters.get_names
request.parameters.get_values
request.parameters.names
request.parameters.put_names
request.parameters.put_values
request.parameters.values
request.path_info
request.path_translated
request.protocol
request.query_string
request.remote_addr
request.remote_host
request.remote_port
request.remote_user
request.scheme
request.server_name
request.server_port
request.servlet_path
request.servletcontext.<name>
request.session_id
request.uri
request.url
response.content
response.content_length
response.header.<name>
response.header.names
session.attribute.<name>
session.attributes.names
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# AppDefend Operators

AppDefend rules can use any of these operators.

startswith

byterange

contains

notcontains

endswith

equals

exists

greater

greatereq

ingroup

notingroup

inlist

notinlist

ipmatch

notipmatch

less

lesseq

regex

within

notwithin

# AppDefend Actions

Log	Generates a log entry or alert to a file, syslog, e-mail
Redirect	Redirects the request to a specified full URL or relative URL for the site such as the Oracle EBS error page
Block	Block the request by returning the specified HTTP error code such as 403 Forbidden
Pause	Pause the request for the specified number of milliseconds perhaps to slow down a brute force attack
Sanitize	Sanitize one or all parameters and headers in the request to prevent XSS, HTML injection, or SQL injection
Stop	Stop the processing of all subsequent AppDefend rules. The Stop action is useful to minimize AppDefend analyzing static request such as images, etc.
DoNothing	This action will do nothing as an action

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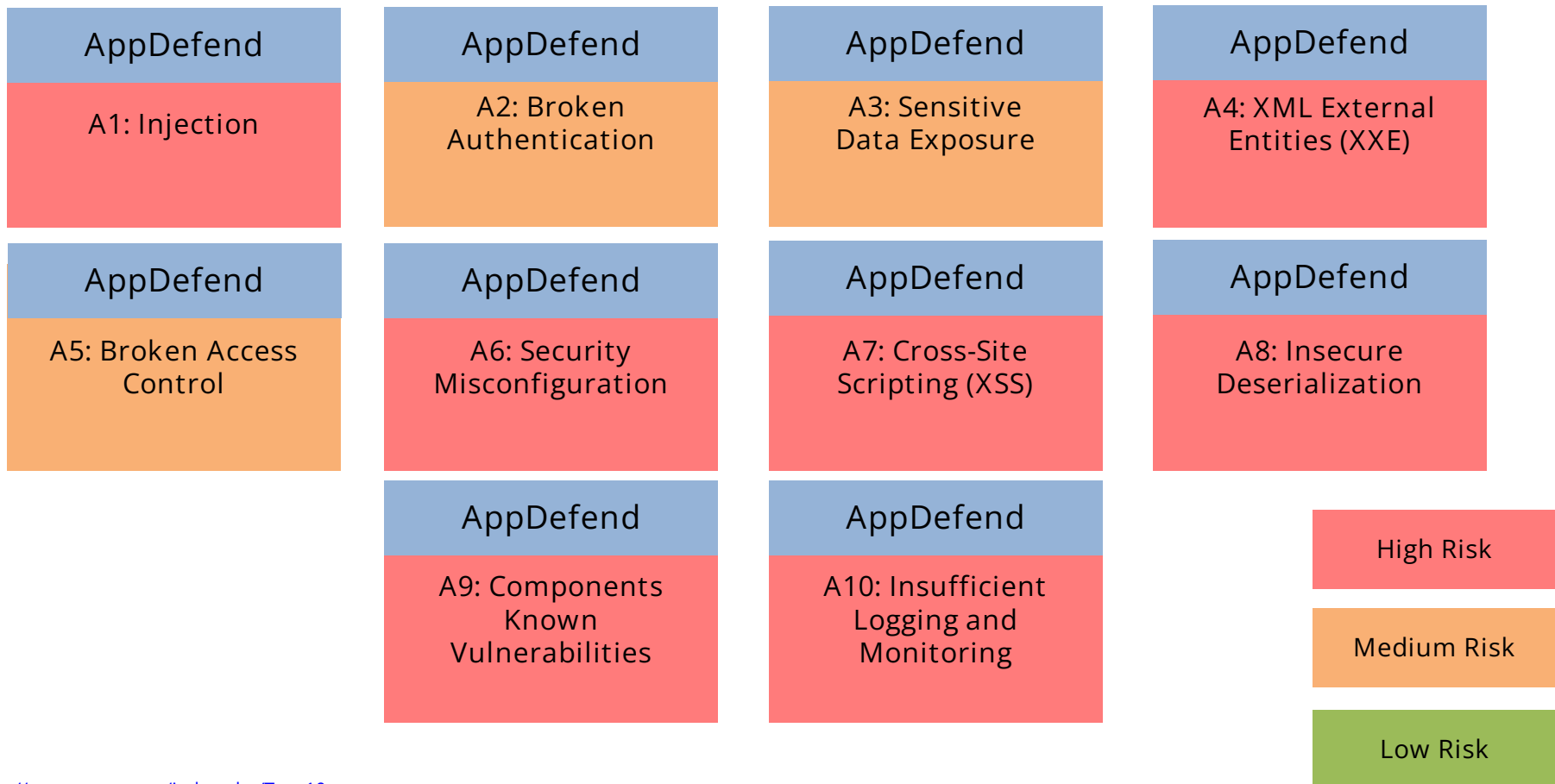
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# OWASP Top 10 – AppDefend

AppDefend is the layer of defense for PeopleSoft against OWASP Top 10 security vulnerabilities.





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