

# INVISIBILITY PURGE

## Unmasking Dormant Events of Invisible Server Web Controls

Advanced Hacking of ASP.Net, Mono and RIA

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## About



- Formerly a boutique company that provided various information security services since 2004.
- As of 01/01/2011, Ernst & Young acquired Hacktics professional services practice, and the group joined EY as one of the firm's advanced security centers (ASC).

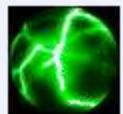


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## Current/Legacy Projects



### diviner

An active information gathering platform



### ria-scip

An OWASP ZAP extension for enumerating and activating events



### burp-log-reviver

A solution for converting burp logs into sessions



### sn-crawler

An intelligence gathering platform focused on social networks.



### payload-manager

An attack payload management tool.



### puzzlemall

A vulnerable web application for practicing session puzzling

#### **Dynamic AJAX CSRF template**

Dynamic AJAX CSRF - POC Code.

#### **Session Keep Alive**

A POC tool for connection pool consumption **delay of** service attack.

#### **Ultimate Obsolete File Detection - ZAP Plugin**

Introducing...



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# SCIP!

## Server Control Invisibility Purge



A project based on a research by **Niv Sela and Shay Chen**,  
OWASP ZAP extension implementation by **Alex Mor.**

A project used for...

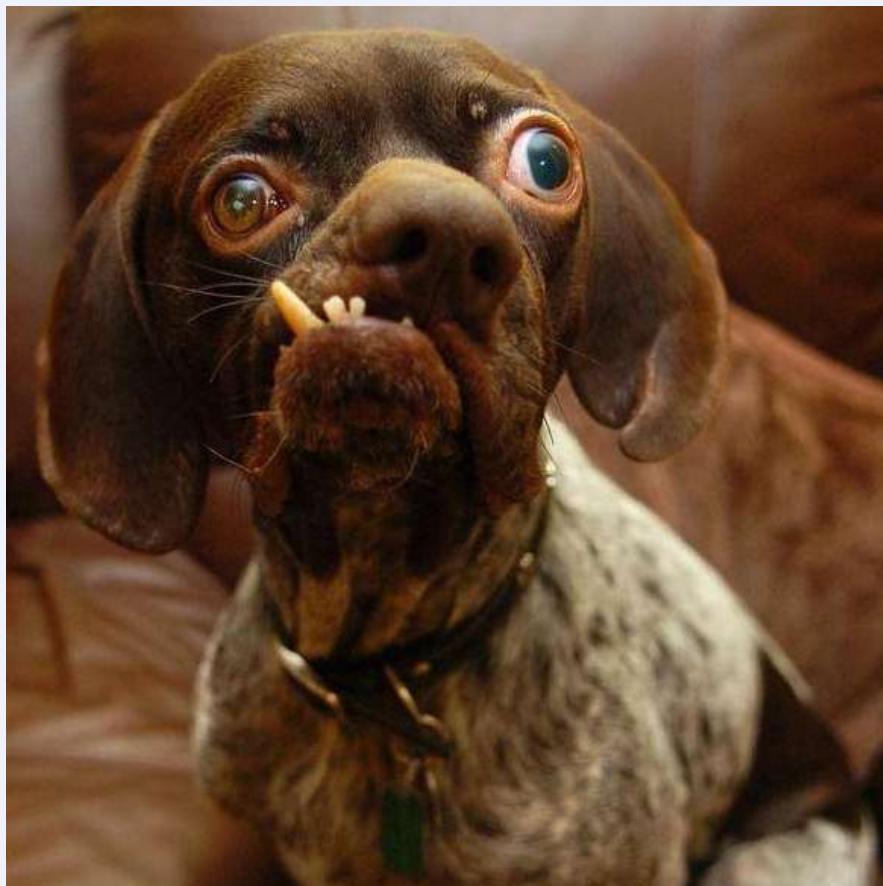


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## Execution of dormant server events & controls





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## Exploitation Scenarios:

- Elevate privileges by executing events of high-privileged users
- Exploit vulnerable code stored in dormant events
- Corrupt the application data
- Exceed logical restrictions
- Etc

# Agenda



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- The Attack Surface of RIA Applications
- Server Controls, Events and Lifecycles
- Invisible Web Controls & Dormant Events
- Dormant Event Activation, Control Fuzzing & Event Enumeration
- Control Enumeration / Event Execution via SCIP: Diviner/OWASP ZAP Extension
- Risk Mitigation
- Q & A



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# The Attack Surface of RIA

## Facing the Horde of Security Features



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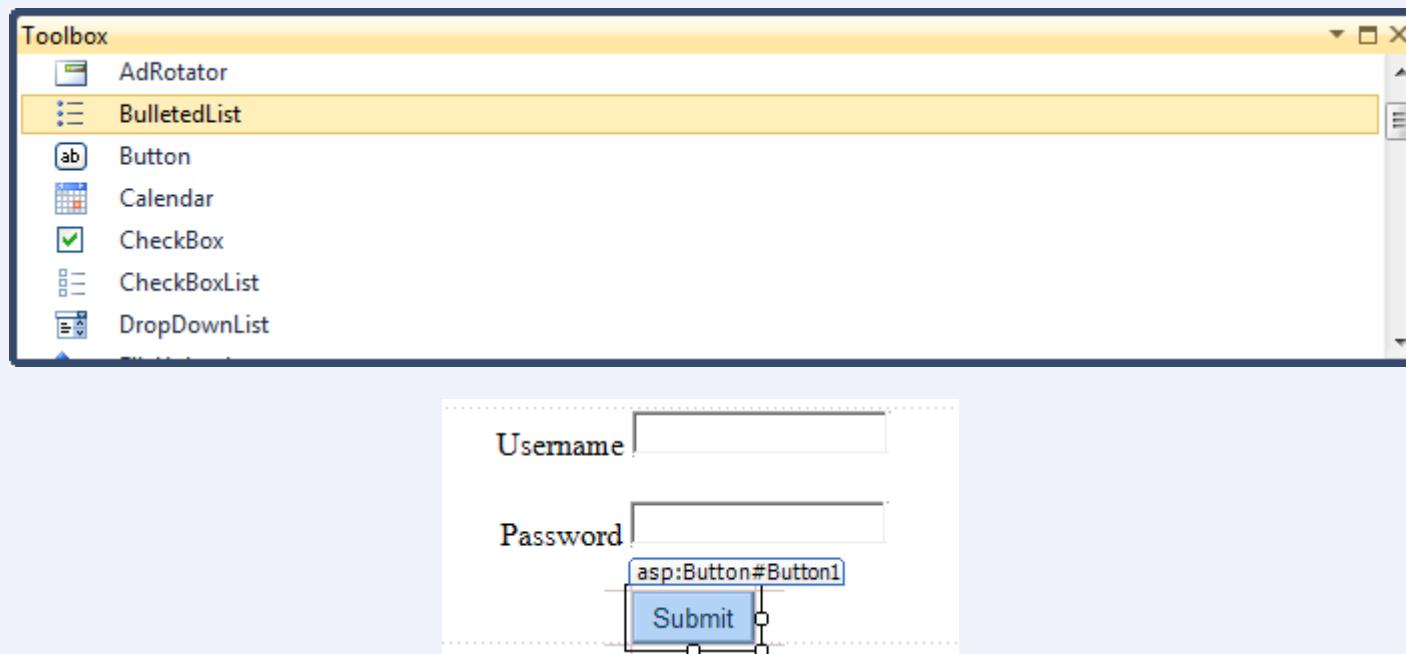
- Event Validation
- Digital Signatures: Limit to List, Manipulation Prevention
- Security Filter (XSS)
- Sandbox
- Built-in Regular Expressions
- Secure Database Access Methods
- Etc



- **Purpose:** Locating Code that can be Abused
  - Web Pages
  - Web Service Methods
  - Global Modules (Filters, Handlers, Etc)
  - ...
  - \*Events of Web Application Server Controls\*



- Rendered into HTML/JS code, but include server side implementation
- Core Controls and Custom Controls (e.g. ascx)





- A triggered server side code segment, containing optional functionality (PostBack/CallBack in ASP.Net)
- Client triggered events rely on the EVENTTARGET, EVENTARGUMENT and VIEWSTATE mechanisms
- Sample Server Side Implementation (C#, ASP.Net):
  - aspx:  
`<asp:Button ID="Button1" runat="server" onclick="Button1_Click" Text="Button" />`
  - aspx.cs:  
`public partial class Demo : System.Web.UI.Page
{
 protected void Page_Load(object sender, EventArgs e)
 {
 Response.Write("Hello World");
 }

 protected void Button1_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
 {
 Session["action"] = "alterContent";
 }
}`



## Sample client-side implementation (ASP.Net postback):

```
<form name="form1" method="post" action="WelcomeMirror.aspx" id="form1">
<div>
<input type="hidden" name="__EVENTTARGET" id="__EVENTTARGET" value="" />
<input type="hidden" name="__EVENTARGUMENT" id="__EVENTARGUMENT" value="" />
<input type="hidden" name="__VIEWSTATE" id="__VIEWSTATE" value="/wEPDwUKLTY1M:</div>

<input type="button" name="Button1" value="View Service Status" onclick="javascript:_doPostBack('Button1','')"

<script type="text/javascript">
//<![CDATA[
var theForm = document.forms['form1'];
if (!theForm) {
    theForm = document.form1;
}
function _doPostBack(eventTarget, eventArgument) {
    if (!theForm.onsubmit || (theForm.onsubmit() != false)) {
        theForm.__EVENTTARGET.value = eventTarget;
        theForm.__EVENTARGUMENT.value = eventArgument;
        theForm.submit();
    }
}
//]]>
</script>
```



- Independent Events: buttons with usesubmitbehavior=false, checkboxes, etc
- Sample Event Lifecycle
- Programmatic vs. Declarative

```
<%@ Page Language="C#" AutoEventWireup="true" CodeBehind="WelcomeChanged.aspx.cs"
    EnableEventValidation="true" EnableViewStateMac="true" Inherits="ViewStateControls.WelcomeChanged" %>

<input type="hidden" name="__EVENTTARGET" id="__EVENTTARGET" value="" />
<input type="hidden" name="__EVENTARGUMENT" id="__EVENTARGUMENT" value="" />
<input type="hidden" name="__VIEWSTATE" id="__VIEWSTATE"
value="/wEPDWULLTEyNTIyMjExOTQPZBYCAGMPZBYIAgEPDxYCHgdWaXNpYmxlaGRkAgMPDxYCHWB0ZGQCBQ8PFg
IeB0VuyWJsZWROZGQCBw8PFgIfAWhkZGQd1dsROoEayc+I/Kt9vZTA3JvsHg==" />

    <input type="hidden" name="__EVENTVALIDATION" id="__EVENTVALIDATION"
value="/wEWCAK+2oTRBwLWlM+bAgLs0bLrBgKgwpPxDQKF2fxbAwLPhrqxDwLq79fGcQLJx9vadXc
/16KxF3ZQYvulQC0yedGi1oA7" />

    <input type="button" name="Button6" value="Button6"
onclick="javascript:_doPostBack('Button6','')" id="Button6" />
```



- Viewstate Structure

```
<input type="hidden" name="__VIEWSTATE" id="__VIEWSTATE"
value="/wEPDWULLTEyNTIyMjExOTQPZBYCAgMPZBYIAgEPDxYCHgdWaXNpYmxlaGRkAgMPDxYCHwBoZGQCBQ8PFg
IeB0VuYWJsZWRoZGQCBw8PFgIfAWhkZGQd1dsR0oEayc+I/Kt9vZTA3JvsHg==" />
```

```
▼ ViewState v2.0 compatible [MAC enabled]
  ▼ Pair
    ▼ Pair
      string 65025323
    ▼ Pair
      null
    ▼ List
      int 3
    ▼ Pair
      null
    ▼ List
      int 3
    ▼ Pair
      ▼ Pair
        ▼ List
          string Visible
          boolean false
          null
          null
```

- Serialized into Base64\*
- <http://msdn.microsoft.com/en-us/library/ms972976.aspx>
- Signed (MAC), clear-text or encrypted



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- **Name/Value HashCode Formula**

```
if ([ControlValue] == null)
    return GetStringHashCode([ControlName]);
else
    return GetStringHashCode([ControlName]) ^ GetStringHashCode([ControlValue]);
```

#### EventValidation (Viewed via Burp Viewstate Decoder):

```
▼ ViewState v2.0 compatible [MAC is not enabled]
  ▼ List
    int -1280308489      <-Viewstate
    int -1314758625      Hashcode
    int -1314758624
    int -1314758619
    int 2087245738       <-Control
    int 2087245739       Hashcodes
    int 2087245736
    int -1314758618
    int 2087245737
    int 2087245736
    int 2087245739
    int 0
```

- MachineKey and MAC
- Control Name/Value Verification, Prior to Event Execution
- Include viewstate hashcode
- **Included in the HTML:**

```
<input type="hidden" name="__EVENTVALIDATION"
value="/wEWCAK+2oTRBwLWlM+bAgLs0bLrBgKgwpPxDQKF2f:
/16KxF3zQYvulQC0yedGi1oA7" />
```



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## Visible / Enabled Controls:

### Control Panel - Zone 1

**View Service Status**

**Shutdown Service**

**Send Event Notification**

**Logout**

**Request**

Raw Params Headers Hex ViewState

ViewState v2.0 compatible [MAC enabled]

Pair

Pair

string 65025323

null

null

### EventValidation (Viewstate Decoder):

ViewState v2.0 compatible [MAC enabled]

List

int 1677238116 <-Viewstate

int 1757590412

int -2134092357 <-Shutdown

int 594790998

int 1835837676

int 998075525

int -568008416

## Invisible / Disabled Controls (Control Trace in Viewstate!):

### Control Panel - Zone 1

**View Service Status**

**Send Event Notification**

**Logout**

**Server Is Up**

**Request**

Raw Params Headers Hex ViewState

int 3

Pair

Pair

List

string Visible

boolean false

null

null

int 5

### EventValidation (Viewstate Decoder):

ViewState v2.0 compatible [MAC enabled]

List

int -47520392 <-Viewstate

int 1757590412

int 594790998 <-Shutdown

int 1835837676 Missing

int 998075525

int -568008416



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# Invisible Web Controls: Archetypes





- **Commented Out Controls**

- The control is commented out using HTML comments
- **Rendered inside an HTML comment**, but the server code is still active.

```
<!-- <asp:Button ID="Button4" runat="server" onclick="Button4_Click" |  
Text="View Active Users" UseSubmitBehavior="False" /> -->  
protected void Button4_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)  
{  
    Response.Write("<center><b>Active Users</b></center>");
```

## Control Panel - Zone

[View Service Status](#)

[Send Event Notification](#)

[Logout](#)

Source of: http://localhost:7011/ControlPanelSection1.aspx - Mozilla Firefox

```
File Edit View Help  
51  </p>  
52  <p>  
53  <!-- <input type="button" name="Button4" value="View Active Users"  
      onclick="javascript:_doPostBack('Button4','')" id="Button4"  
      style="background-color:Yellow;" /> -->
```



- **Disabled Controls**

- The control **enabled** property is set to **false**
- Rendered with the **disabled="disabled"** HTML property
- Rendered **without** an input **postback** method

```
Send Event Notification    Button3.Enabled = false;  
<input type="button" name="Button3" value="Send Event Notification" id="Button3" disabled="disabled" />
```

## Control Panel - Zone 1

[View Service Status](#)

[Send Event Notification](#)

[Logout](#)



- **Invisible Controls**

- The control **visible** property is set to **false**
- **Not Rendered** in the presentation layer, but the code is still active

```
Button2.Visible = false;
```

Welcome admin

## Control Panel - Zone 1

View Service Status

Shutdown Service

Send Event Notification

Logout



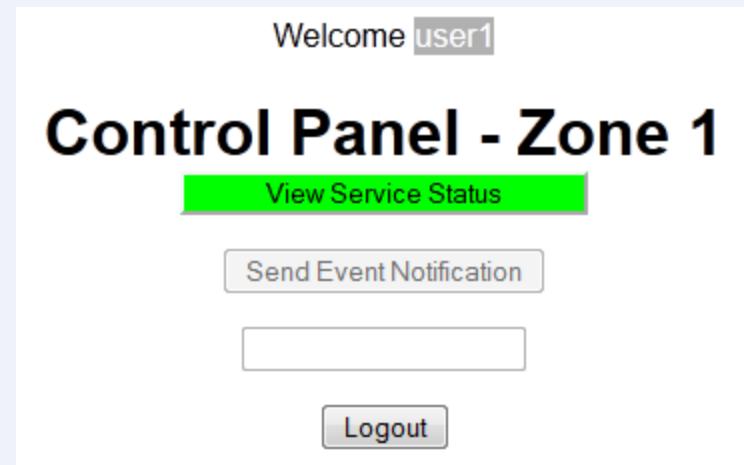
Welcome user1

## Control Panel - Zone 1

View Service Status

Send Event Notification

Logout





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- **Dormant Events of Visible Controls**

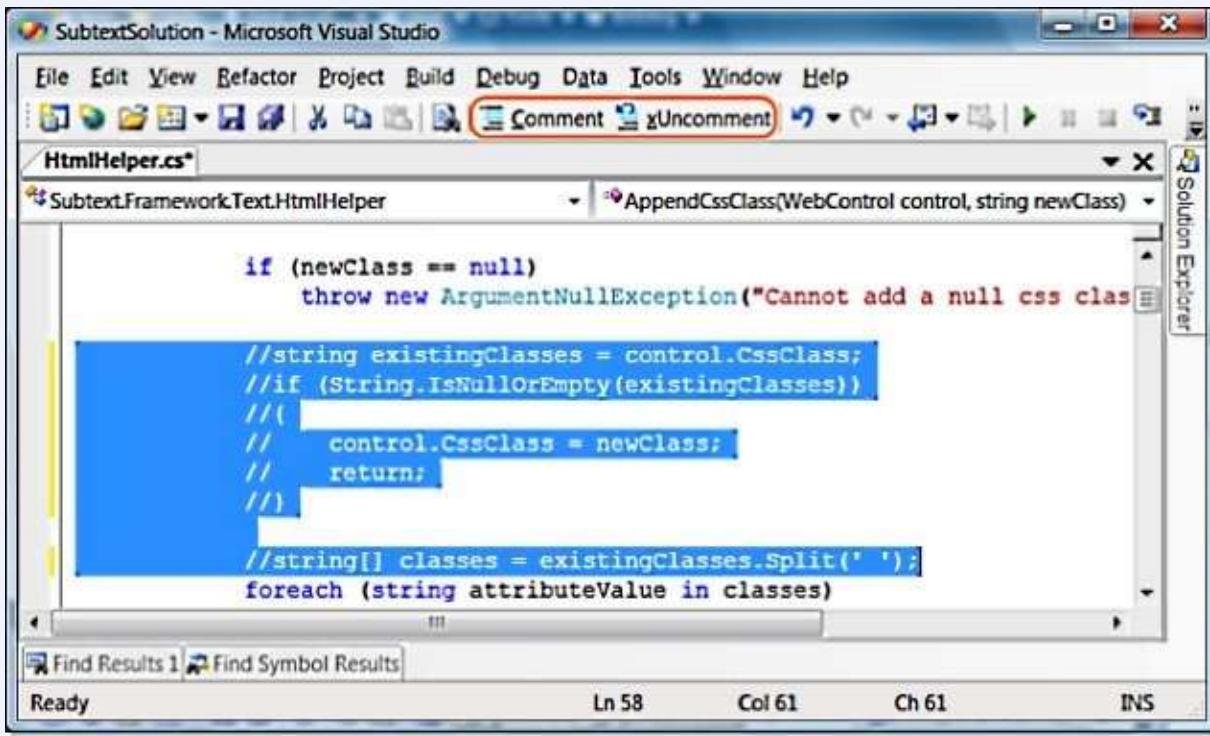
- Optional event listeners registered in the code level, after the optional definition was deleted from a control with at least one active event.



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# Basic Dormant Event Activation: Commented Controls



The screenshot shows the Microsoft Visual Studio interface with the title bar "SubtextSolution - Microsoft Visual Studio". The toolbar has several icons, with the "Comment" and "Uncomment" buttons highlighted by a red box. The code editor window displays a C# file named "HtmlHelper.cs\*". The code contains several commented-out sections, indicated by the "///" prefix. The "Solution Explorer" window is visible on the right side of the interface.

```
if (newClass == null)
    throw new ArgumentNullException("Cannot add a null css class");

//string existingClasses = control.CssClass;
//if (String.IsNullOrEmpty(existingClasses))
//{
//    control.CssClass = newClass;
//    return;
//}

//string[] classes = existingClasses.Split(' ');
foreach (string attributeValue in classes)
```



- **Prerequisites (ASP.Net / Mono) - Commented Out Controls:**
  - The developer should rely solely on the fact that the control is commented.
  - The attacker can simply “uncomment” the HTML control and execute the embedded event, or send the appropriate values directly.
- **Advantages**
  - Exploit works **even if the Viewstate MAC AND the EventValidation features are turned ON.**

# Events of Commented Controls



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Options Help

URL:  Get

**ViewState**

ViewState.  
 ViewState Signed (MAC found).  
 ViewState Encrypted  
 Event Validation.  
 Event Validation Signed (MAC found).

**Page Controls**

Visible:  
Button1  
Buttons

Commented or Disabled:  
Button4  
Button3  
TextBox1

**Enumeration Results:**

Control Name	URL	Hidden

**Events:**

Control Name:

# Events of Commented Controls



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Resend

Request Response

Method Header Text Body Text

Send

```
POST http://localhost:7011/WelcomeMirror.aspx HTTP/1.1
Host: localhost:7011
User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 6.1; WOW64; rv:18.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/18.0
Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,*/*;q=0.8
Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5
Cookie: ASP.NET_SessionId=egflhhxrr1kpqaxzeuhn55
Connection: keep-alive
Content-Type: application/x-www-form-urlencoded

____EVENTTARGET=____EVENTARGUMENT=____EVENTVALIDATION=
#2FwEWBgKw6tnLBwKM54rGBgLW1M%2BbAgLs0bLrBgKgwpPxDQKF2fXbA%2FoH8FtecCy4qfgvxpUjUN1dAUZf
____VIEWSTATE=
#2FwEPDwUKLTY1MTIzNDQyOA9kFgICAw9kFgYCAw8PFgIeB1Zpc2libGVoZGQCBQ8PFgIeB0VuYWJsZWRoZGQCBw8PFgIfAW
hkZGSLvPBKX768sFPPIgt0%2BA2Gic3bzQ%3D%3D:Button4=Button
```



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# Intermediate Dormant Event Activation: Disabled Controls

A	Web Service Extension	Status
Y	All Unknown CGI Extensions	Prohibited
Y	All Unknown ISAPI Extensions	Prohibited
Y	Active Server Pages	Prohibited
Y	ASP.NET v2.0.50727	Allowed
Y	Internet Data Connector	Prohibited
Y	Server Side Includes	Prohibited
Y	WebDAV	Prohibited



- **Prerequisites (ASP.Net / Mono) - Disabled Controls:**
  - The developer should rely solely on the control disability and the lack of JS postback/callback method for protecting the control events.
  - The attacker should forge a postback / callback method, or send the appropriate values directly.
- **Advantages**
  - Exploit works **even if the Viewstate MAC AND the EventValidation features are turned ON.**



- **The Process of Forging a PostBack / CallBack Method**

- Why does it work?
  - Using temporarily disabled controls in ASP.Net is a **feature**
  - Controls might be disabled without any relation to security, and thus, are currently not protected like invisible controls
- How does it work?
  - The control name is exposed in the disabled control

```
<input type="button" name="Button3" value="Send Event Notification" id="Button3" disabled="disabled" />
```

- The attacker can use an interception proxy to “inject” postback calls into HTML control events, or craft requests manually by reusing the existing viewstate/validation fields.

# Events of Disabled Controls



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Options Help

URL: <http://localhost:7011/WelcomeMirror.aspx> Get

ViewState

ViewState.  
 ViewState Signed (MAC found).  
 ViewState Encrypted  
 Event Validation.  
 Event Validation Signed (MAC found).

Load Controls From History Add Controls From URL

Page Controls

Visible: Button1 Buttons

Commented or Disabled: Button4 **Button3** TextBox1

Add Enumerate Controls Blind Control Enumeration

Enumeration Results: Events:

Control Name	URL	Hidden

Run Event





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# Advanced Dormant Event Activation: Invisible Controls!





- **Prerequisites (ASP.Net / Mono) - Invisible Controls:**

- (I) Either the Viewstate MAC **OR** the EventValidation features must be turned off.

```
<%@ Page Language="C#" AutoEventWireup="true" EnableEventValidation="false"|
<system.web>
  <pages enableEventValidation="false"/>
</system.web>

<%@ Page Language="C#" AutoEventWireup="true" EnableViewStateMac="false"|
<system.web>
  <pages enableViewStateMac="False" />
</system.web>
```

- (II) The developer should rely solely on the control invisibility for protecting the invisible control events.



- **EventValidation is ON but the Viewstate MAC is OFF**
  - In order for the attack to succeed, we need to forge a valid eventvalidation structure (no MAC)
    - Craft a request using SCIP or other viewstate/eventtarget editors

```
<%@ Page Language="C#" AutoEventWireup="true"  
EnableEventValidation="true" EnableViewStateMac="false" ...%>
```



- **EventValidation is OFF**

- Since there's no event validation, any event can be executed, regardless of the viewstate value
  - Craft a request with valid EVENTTARGET value **OR**
  - Inject a custom Postback/Callback call to the response HTML, and target the event of the invisible control

```
<%@ Page Language="C#" AutoEventWireup="true"  
EnableEventValidation="false" EnableViewStateMac="true" ...%>
```

- In all cases, we still need to obtain the control / event name...



- **The Process of Server Control Enumeration**

- In this scenario, the control leaves no client-side traces:
  - Control Name Fuzzing
  - Core Controls vs. Custom Controls

- **Control Event Enumeration**

- Core Events vs. Custom Events
- Dormant Events vs. Active Events





- **Default:** [ControlType][Number]
  - Button1, Button2, TextBox1, TextBox2 ...
- **Default II (v1.1-v3.5/Master):** ctl[ID]\$[contentScope]\$...
  - ctl00\$MainContent\$txtName, ctl00\$Content\$cmdSubmit
- **Legacy:** [ControlTypeShortCut][Number]
  - txt1, txt2, btn1, btn2, cmd1, cmd2, lst1, lst2 ...
- **Custom Legacy:** [ControlTypeShortCut][Logic]
  - txtUsername, txtPassword, btnSubmit, cmdAddUser ...
- **Plain:** [Logic]
  - user, pass, submit, delete
- **Title Match:** [Title]
  - Username, Password, Origin, Email, Update

# Error-Based Enumeration



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- Accessing invalid control names will NOT raise exceptions
- Accessing protected will – only works if EventValidation is ON

## Server Error in '/' Application.

*Invalid postback or callback argument. Event validation is enabled using <pages enableEventValidation="true"/> in configuration or <%@ Page EnableEventValidation="true" %> in a page. For security purposes, this feature verifies that arguments to postback or callback events originate from the server control that originally rendered them. If the data is valid and expected, use the ClientScriptManager.RegisterForEventValidation method in order to register the postback or callback data for validation.*

**Description:** An unhandled exception occurred during the execution of the current web request. Please review the stack trace for more information about the error and where it originated in the code.

**Exception Details:** System.ArgumentException: Invalid postback or callback argument. Event validation is enabled using <pages enableEventValidation="true"/> in configuration or <%@ Page EnableEventValidation="true" %> in a page. For security purposes, this feature verifies that arguments to postback or callback events originate from the server control that originally rendered them. If the data is valid and expected, use the ClientScriptManager.RegisterForEventValidation method in order to register the postback or callback data for validation.

**Source Error:**

An unhandled exception was generated during the execution of the current web request. Information regarding the origin and location of the exception can be identified using the exception stack trace below.

**Stack Trace:**

```
[ArgumentException: Invalid postback or callback argument. Event validation is enabled using <pages enableEventValidation="true"/> in
System.Web.UI.ClientScriptManager.ValidateEvent(String uniqueId, String argument) +8644649
System.Web.UI.Control.ValidateEvent(String uniqueID, String eventArgument) +69
System.Web.UI.WebControls.Button.RaisePostBackEvent(String eventArgument) +35
System.Web.UI.WebControls.Button.System.Web.UI.IPostBackEventHandler.RaisePostBackEvent(String eventArgument) +10
System.Web.UI.Page.RaisePostBackEvent(IPostBackEventHandler sourceControl, String eventArgument) +13
System.Web.UI.Page.RaisePostBackEvent(NameValueCollection postData) +175
System.Web.UI.Page.ProcessRequestMain(Boolean includeStagesBeforeAsyncPoint, Boolean includeStagesAfterAsyncPoint) +1565
```



- Basic Blind Differentiation Formula:

```
ValidControlEvent = False;
```

```
OriginalResponse = getResponse("Page1.aspx?param=value");
```

```
VerificationResponse = getResponse("Page1.aspx?param=value");
```

```
ConfirmationResponse = getResponse("Page1.aspx?param=value");
```

```
InconsistentContent = VerificationResponse - ReflectedValues - TimestampTokens;
```

```
ClearResponse = OriginalResponse - ReflectedValues -
```

```
                  InconsistentContent - TimestampTokens;
```

```
EventExecResponse = getResponse("Page1.aspx?param=value&EVENTTARGET=...");
```

```
EventExecResponse = OriginalResponse - ReflectedValues -
```

```
                  InconsistentContent - TimestampTokens;
```

```
If (Diff (ClearResponse, EventExecResponse ) > 0) ValidControlEvent = True;
```

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Options Help

URL: http://localhost:7011/WelcomeChanged.aspx

Get

**ViewState**

ViewState.

ViewState Signed (MAC found).

ViewState Encrypted

Event Validation.

Event Validation Signed (MAC found)

**Page Controls**

Visible:

- Buttons
- Buttons6
- Button7
- Buttons

Add    Enumerate Controls

**Enumeration Results:**

Control Name	URL	Hidden	onclick

Run Event

Control Enumeration

URL: http://localhost:7011/WelcomeChanged.aspx

Prefix:

Run

Trying: Text1  
Trying: Text2  
Trying: Text3  
Trying: Text4  
Trying: Text5  
Trying: Text6  
Trying: Text7  
Trying: Text8  
Trying: Text9  
Trying: Text10

Controls Found: 3

Apply

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Options Help

URL:  Get

**ViewState**

ViewState.  
 ViewState Signed (MAC found).  
 ViewState Encrypted  
 Event Validation.  
 Event Validation Signed (MAC found).

**Page Controls**

Visible:  
Buttons  
Buttons6  
Button7  
Buttons  
button1  
button2

Commented or Disabled:  
Button4  
Buttons3  
TextBox1

Add

**Enumeration Results:**

Control Name	URL	Hidden
button1	http://localhost:7011/WelcomeCha...	Yes
button2	http://localhost:7011/WelcomeCha...	Yes
textBox1	http://localhost:7011/WelcomeCha...	Yes

Events:



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Resend

Request Response

Header: Text Body: Text

```
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Server: ASP.NET Development Server/10.0.0.0
Date: Wed, 23 Jan 2013 23:31:13 GMT
X-AspNet-Version: 2.0.50727
Cache-Control: private
Content-Type: text/html; charset=utf-8
Content-Length: 2332
Connection: Close
```

```
<center><font size=5>System Control Monitor</font></center><br><center>Welcome user1</center><br><center>Shutting Down Server</center>

<!DOCTYPE html PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD XHTML 1.0 Transitional//EN" "http://www.w3.org/TR/xhtml1/DTD/xhtml1-transitional.dtd">

<html xmlns="http://www.w3.org/1999/xhtml">
<head id="Head1"><title>

</title></head>
<body>
    <form name="form1" method="post" action="WelcomeChanged.aspx" id="form1">
<div>
```



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# Master Dormant Event Activation: **Locating Hidden Optional Events**



- **Prerequisites – Multiple Dormant Events of a Single Control:**
  - By default, only a limited amount of basic controls support multiple events (not including custom controls).
  - The hidden control must be assigned with multiple valid events (example: Calendar control).
  - In addition to fuzzing a valid eventtarget, the tester can execute the “optional” events by locating/fuzzing a valid eventargument
  - Different eventargument formats can execute **different** server events (for example V[value] vs. [value])
- **Advanced:** Core Events and Custom Events
  - Click, Command, onSelectionChanged, OnVisibleMonthChanged, Etc

# Activating Optional Events



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```
<asp:Calendar ID="Calendar1" runat="server"
    onselectionchanged="Calendar1_SelectionChanged" OnVisibleMonthChanged="Secret_Click" ></asp:Calendar>
```

February 2013						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
27	28	29	30	31	1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9

```
protected void Secret_Click(object sender, MonthChangedEventArgs e)
{
    Label1.Text = "<b>Secret!!!</b>";
    Label1.ForeColor = System.Drawing.Color.Red;
    Label1.BorderColor = System.Drawing.Color.Red;
}

protected void Calendar1_SelectionChanged(object sender, EventArgs e)
{
    Label1.Text = "<b>Normal</b>";
    Label1.ForeColor = System.Drawing.Color.Black;
    Label1.BorderColor = System.Drawing.Color.Red;
}
```

```
<table id="Calendar1" cellspacing="0" cellpadding="2" cultu="" title="Calendar" border='
collapse:collapse;">
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```



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# **SCIP Methods for Gurus: Executing Events of Invisible Controls DESPITE Active Event Validation & Viewstate MAC**





- **Prerequisites - Execute Events In Spite of Security Features:**

- Obtain the names of server controls from cached / indexed content: (search engines, browser cache of another high privileged user, etc)
- Reuse the **cached** VIEWSTATE, EVENTTARGET, EVENTARGUMENT and EVENTVALIDATION to executing dormant events (will work regardless of visibility or security features!)

# Advanced SCIP Methods



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about:cache

```
File Edit View Help
12 <input type="hidden" name="__EVENTTARGET" id="__EVENTTARGET" value="" />
13 <input type="hidden" name="__EVENTARGUMENT" id="__EVENTARGUMENT" value="" />
14 <input type="hidden" name="__VIEWSTATE" id="__VIEWSTATE"
value="/wEPDwUKLTy1MTIzNDQyOA9kFgICAw9kFgYCAw8PFgIeB1zpc2libGvoZGQCBQ8PFgIeB0VuYWJsZWRoZG
QCBw8PFgIfAWhkZGSLvPBKX76sFPPIgt0+A2Gic3bzQ==" />
15 </div>
16
17 <script type="text/javascript">
18 //<![CDATA[
19 var theForm = document.forms['form1'];
20 if (!theForm) {
21     theForm = document.form1;
22 }
23 function __doPostBack(eventTarget, eventArgument) {
24     if (!theForm.onsubmit || (theForm.onsubmit() != false)) {
25         theForm.__EVENTTARGET.value = eventTarget;
26         theForm.__EVENTARGUMENT.value = eventArgument;
27         theForm.submit();
28     }
29 }
30 //]]&gt;
31 &lt;/script&gt;
32
33
34 &lt;div&gt;
35
36     &lt;input type="hidden" name="__EVENTVALIDATION" id="__EVENTVALIDATION"
value="/wEWBgKw6tnLBwKM54rGBgLWlM+bAgLs0bLrBgKgwpPxDQKF2fXbA/oH8FteccCy4qfgvxpUjUN1dAUzf"
/&gt;</pre>
```



- Reusing Obsolete Cached / Indexed State Flags
  - Reusing the state and validation of indexed/cached versions page might work even if the control structure **changed (!)**
  - Controls, State and validation flag must origin from the same page (so the signature will be effective)
  - Controls must be included/include the controls of the page
- Signed Content Scraping Using Web Attacks
  - XSS, Clickjacking, Etc



- Shared Hosting Attack Model

- Can bypass Viewstate MAC and EventValidation
- Scenarios for Shared Application Pool
- Scenarios for Isolated Application Pool



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# Risk Mitigation

## Protecting Dormant Events





- **Do NOT** use the **Disabled** property for security purposes
- **Do NOT** rely on HTML comments to hide controls
- **Remove** unnecessary dormant events from all layers: HTML, Design (e.g. aspx), CodeBehind (e.g. aspx.cs)
- **Implement** code-level privilege validation in each event
- **Enforce** digital signatures (Viewstate **MAC**)
- **Activate** event validation mechanisms (EventValidation)
- **Disable** cache / **Prevent** indexing in pages with sensitive controls!
- **Customize** the platform error messages



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- Explicit Privilege Validation in Event Code

```
protected void Button1_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
{
    if (((String)Session["user"]).Equals("admin"))
    {
        ...
    }
}
```

- Enable Event Validation / MAC

```
<%@ Page Language="C#" AutoEventWireup="true"
EnableEventValidation="true" EnableViewStateMac="true" ...%>
```



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- **Disable Browser/Proxy Cache (Sample Code)**

```
HttpContext.Current.Response.Cache.SetExpires(DateTime.UtcNow.AddDays(-1));
HttpContext.Current.Response.Cache.SetValidUntilExpires(false);
HttpContext.Current.Response.Cache.SetRevalidation(HttpCacheRevalidation.AllCaches);
HttpContext.Current.Response.Cache.SetCacheability(HttpCacheability.NoCache);
HttpContext.Current.Response.Cache.SetNoStore();
```

- **Restrict SE access in robots.txt (Sample Config)**

- <http://www.robotstxt.org/robotstxt.html>

```
User-agent: *
```

```
Disallow: /
```

- **Restrict SE caching/crawling via meta tags**

- <http://www.robotstxt.org/meta.html>



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# The Original Theory Research Leads and Progress





- Reuse the viewstate / eventvalidation fields of other pages
  - Pages with similar controls
  - Pages with identical controls
- EventValidation responding differently to manipulations on various control types
- Reuse a partial or included cached viewstate / eventvalidation fields
- Different behaviors for different ASP.Net versions (v1.1, v2.0,v3.5, v4.0...) and Mono versions



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# Summary

# Enumerating Hidden Controls

# and Events



- **Diviner**

- OWASP ZAP extension (v1.4+/v2.0+)
- Requires ZAP to run with Java 1.7+
- Homepage: <http://code.google.com/p/diviner/>

- **SCIP**

- OWASP ZAP extension (v2.0+), currently focused at **ASP.net**
- **Features:** disabled/commented control event execution, error-based detection of invisible controls, manual execution of target events, parameter tampering in-spite of event validation (when MAC is off)
- **Upcoming features:** cache scraping and analysis, reuse obsolete event-validation fields, blind event enumeration
- Requires **Diviner** diff methods to support Blind Control Enumeration
- Homepage: <http://code.google.com/p/ria-scip/>

# Activating SCIP in ZAP



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The screenshot shows the OWASP ZAP interface. The title bar reads "Untitled Session - OWASP ZAP". The menu bar includes File, Edit, View, Analyse, Report, Tools, and Help. The toolbar below the menu bar contains icons for file operations, search, and navigation. The main window is titled "Sites" and shows a tree structure of a local host session. The session tree includes a "Sites" folder, which contains an "http://localhost:7011" folder. This folder contains several items: "POST: Login.aspx", "GET: WelcomePage.aspx", "GET: WelcomeMirror.aspx", "GET: WelcomeChar", and "POST: WelcomeChar". The "GET: WelcomeChar" item is currently selected and has a context menu open. The menu options are: Attack, Exclude from, Run application, Delete, Break..., Resend..., New Alert..., Show in History tab, Open URL in Browser, Refresh Sites tree, Save Raw, and SCIP. The "SCIP" option is highlighted with a blue background. To the right of the menu, a tooltip displays the text: "EVENTTARGET, \_EVENTVALIDATION, \_VIEWSTATE, button2".



- **Potential Dormant Events:**

- Events of Disabled Controls (ASP.Net: .enabled=false)
- Events of Invisible Controls (ASP.Net: .visible=false)
- Events of HTML Commented Controls (aspx: <!-- ... -->)
- Hidden Alternate Events of Core/Custom Controls



- Prerequisites for Event Execution Methods:
  - Events of Disabled /Commented Controls - None!
  - Events of Invisible Controls - the EventValidation OR Viewstate MAC must be turned off; can occur per machine, application, page or control
  - Hidden Alternate Events of Core/Custom Controls
- Advanced Event Execution Methods:
  - Execute any control event, regardless of viewstate MAC or event validation, by reusing cached values of viewstate, eventtarget, eventargument and eventvalidation fields
  - State fields must include the control's digitally signed content



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# And Finally...



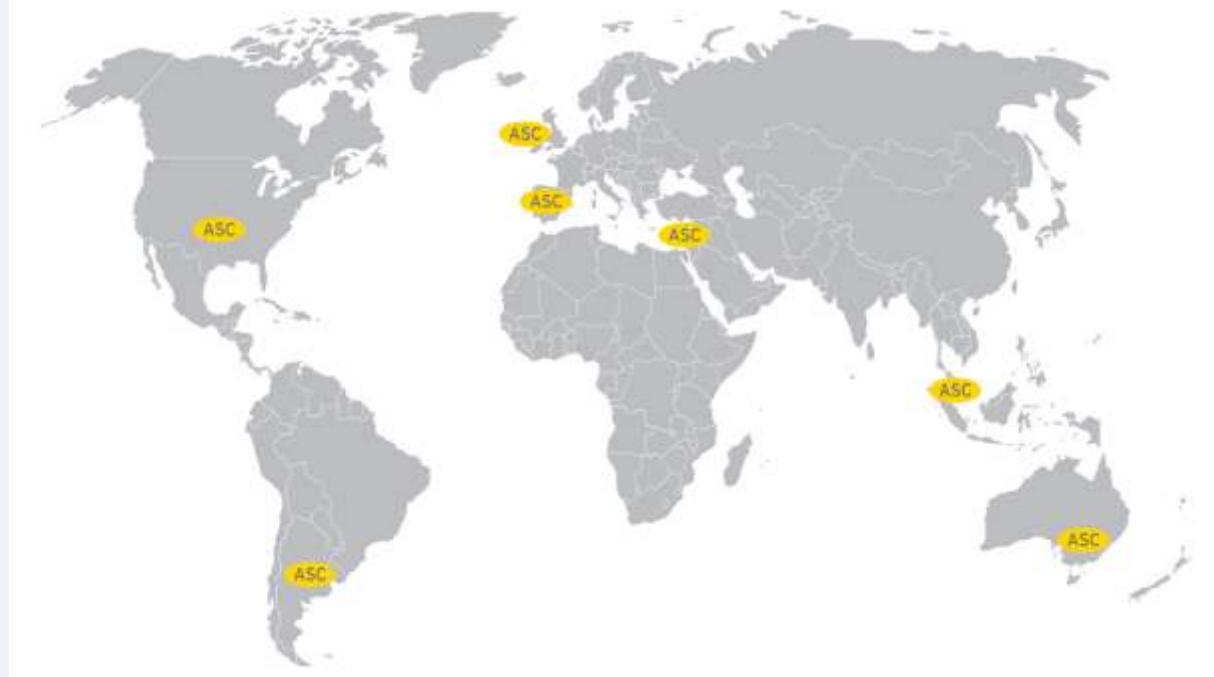
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- SCIP Homepage (ZAP 2.0+ Extension)
  - <http://code.google.com/p/ria-scip/>
- Diviner Homepage (ZAP 1.4+/2.0+ Extension)
  - <http://code.google.com/p/diviner/>
- OWASP ZAP Proxy
  - <http://code.google.com/p/zaproxy/>
- **Great** posts on the subject by James Jardine
  - <http://www.jardinesoftware.net/>



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