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Leveraging Electron Applications For
Post-Exploitation



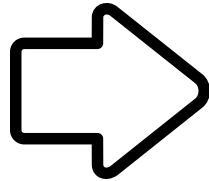
Who Am I?



- Part of the IBM Adversary Simulation team
- 10 years in consulting & research (offense / defence)
- Windows things, I love that low level stuff no one cares about
- Special interest in endpoint post-exploitation
- Just a dude with a keyboard ͇\u2013(\u2013)\u2013/\u2013

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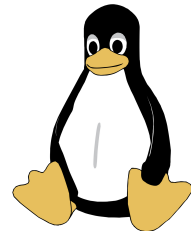
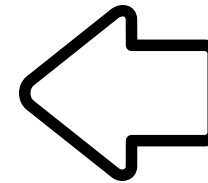
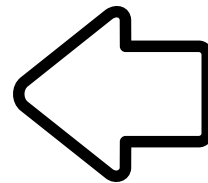
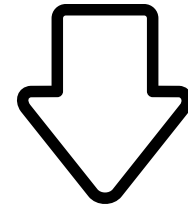
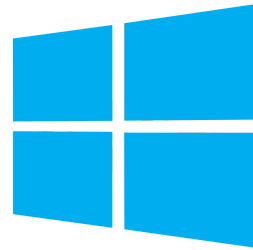
Electron why?



- Cross-platform, write once deploy anywhere
- Fast development
- Rich application libraries (Node.js & Web)
- Uses technologies web developers already know
- It's just a browser

Java was popular for similar reasons

Electron what?

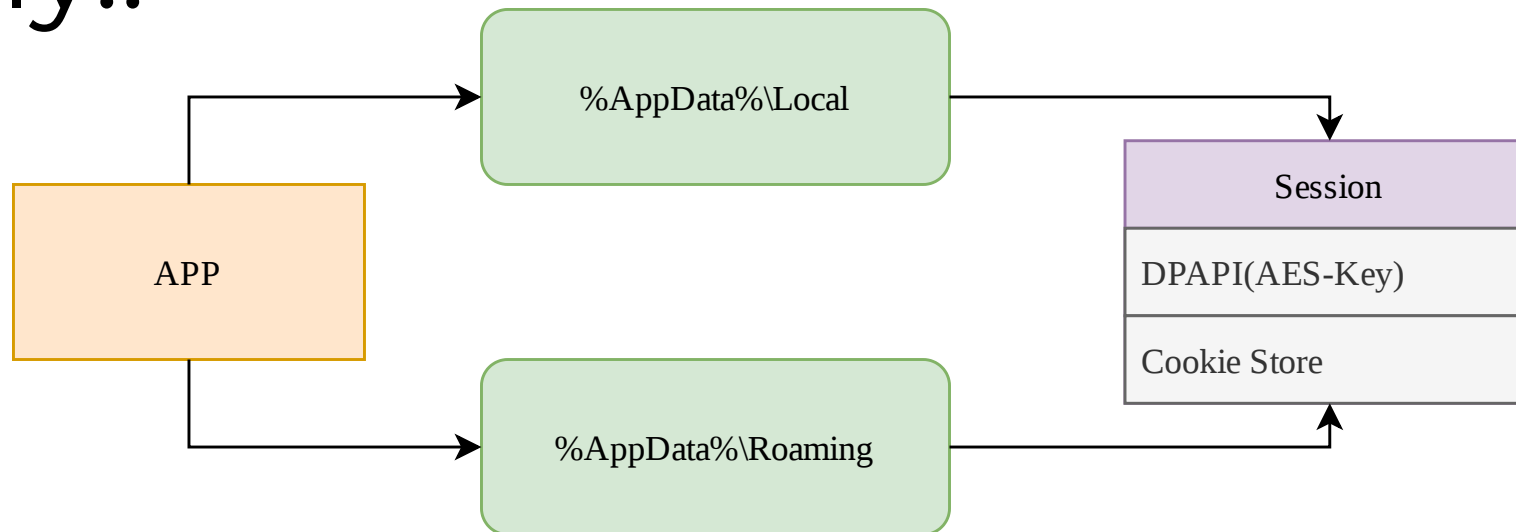


Electron
who?



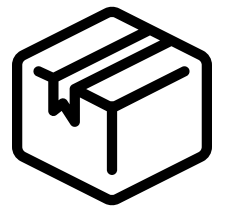
How do Electron sessions work?

..mostly..

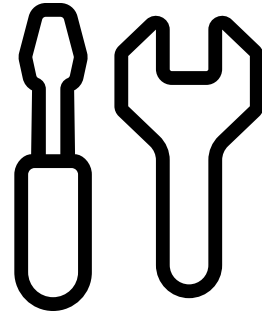


Same principles as Chrome & Edge abuse

SharpChrome



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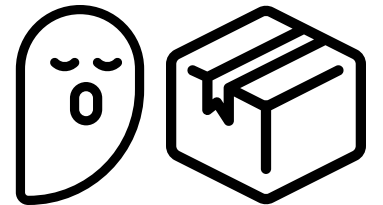
Yikes



Familiar, yes?

- Like browser attacks using SharpChrome
- If you have DA you can perform this attack using the domain DPAPI backup key remotely
- <https://posts.specterops.io/operational-guidance-for-offensive-user-dpapi-abuse-1fb7fac8b107>
- <https://github.com/GhostPack/SharpDPAPI>

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SharpChrome.exe cookies /statekey:B396.... /server:THE-  
USER.corp.com /pvk:HvG1.... /format:json
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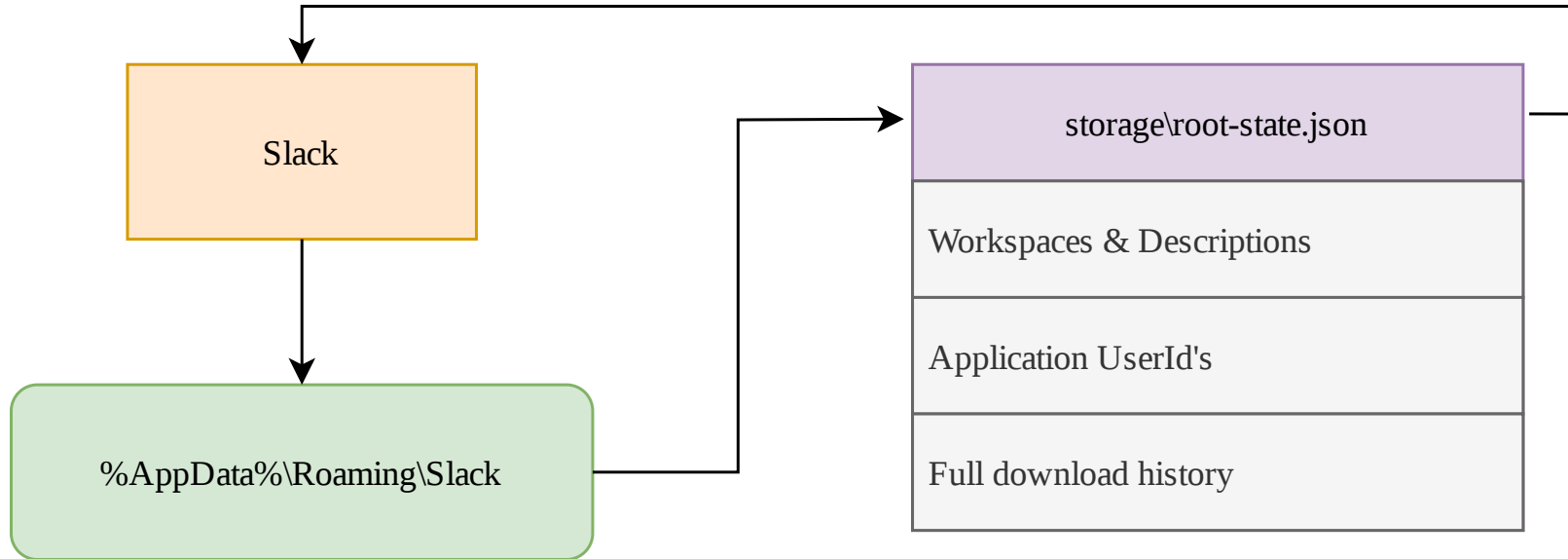
Red Team vs Crime & Intel

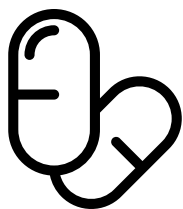
- Red Team, Crime and Intel data collection have overlaps naturally
 - Like Chrome session hijacking
- But there are also differences; different objectives necessitate different data to achieve actions-on-objectives `~_(`\`)_/_``
 - Intel services, for example, may wish to access private WhatsApp communications between targets. This is something the Red Team is not interested in.
- We are focused here on what the Red Team cares about but Electron applications are also at play in these two other domains

Limit-Testing Slack Automation

- Why Slack?
 - Slack is very common, not just for private but also corporate use
 - Slack has good API documentation
 - Chat apps are often an under-used data source for Red Team engagements, information gathering and SE
 - In 2021 EA was compromised with a stolen Slack cookie
 - <https://www.vice.com/en/article/7kvkqb/how-ea-games-was-hacked-slack>
- Challenges?
 - DPAPI encrypted web session tokens (we can do this already)
 - What workspaces does the user have access to?
 - Slack workspaces use a different session token (XOXS / XOXC / ...)

Scoping User Access



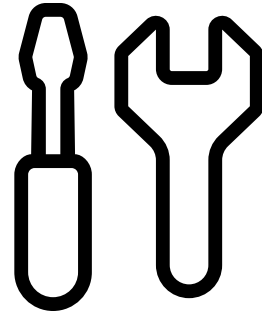


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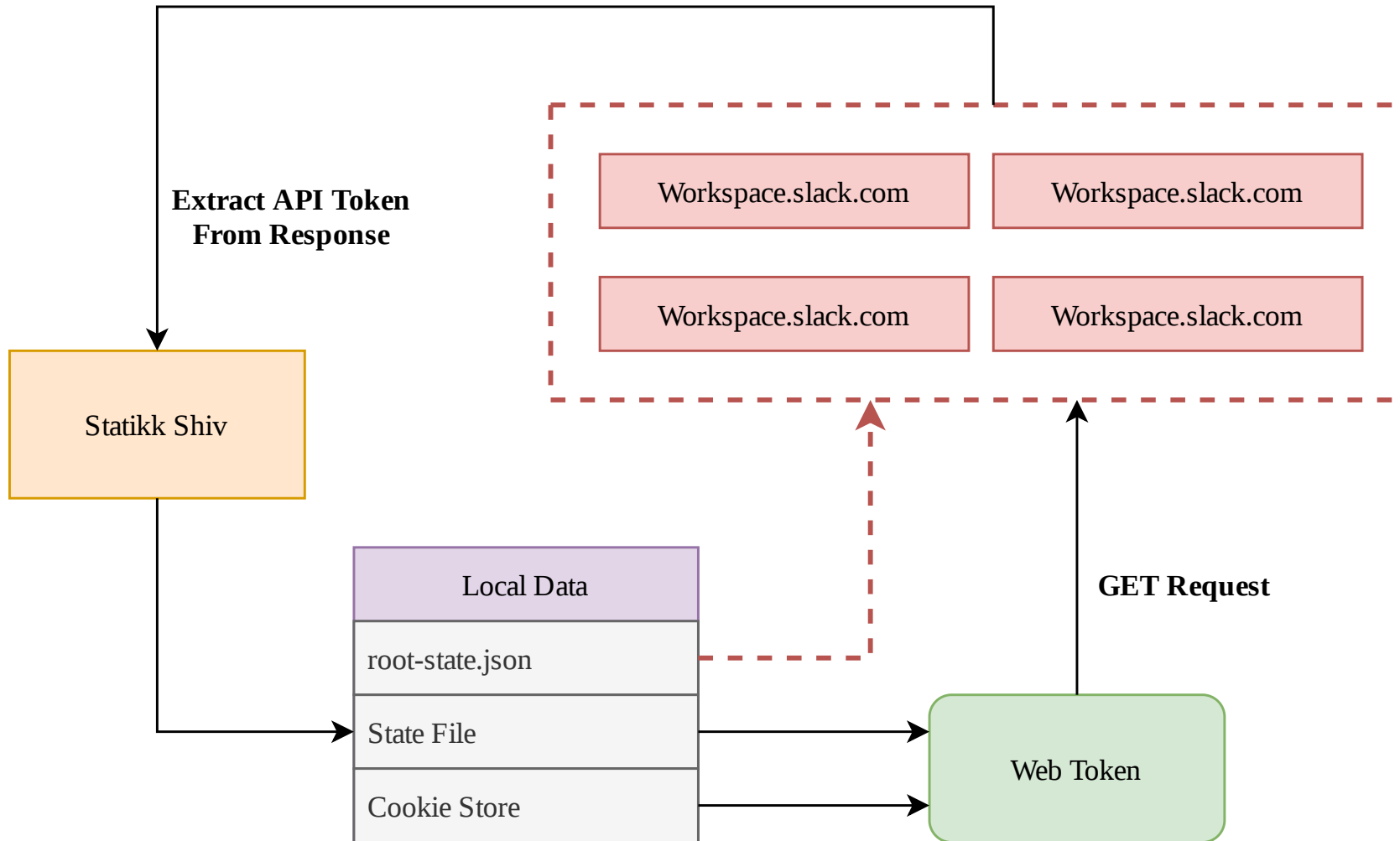
[+] Slack workspaces

Team	Caption
fuzzyapt.slack.com	FuzzyAPT
redteamcabal.slack.com	RedTeam Cabal
pssec.slack.com	PowerShell Security
ateam-corp.slack.com	A Team
bloodhoundhq.slack.com	BloodHoundGang
fullstackwebattack.slack.com	Full Stack Web Attack
zon8v2.slack.com	zon8v2
[REDACTED].slack.com	[REDACTED]
frida-training.slack.com	Frida Training
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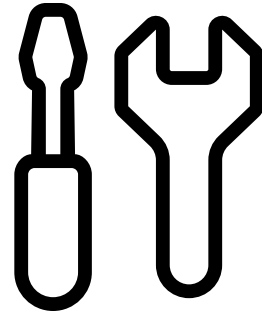
Demo



Gaining API Access



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Slack session theft, a history

- Initial POC in November 2020
 - <https://twitter.com/FuzzySec/status/1329099934344294400>
 - Times change!
 - Slack cookie store did not use DPAPI to encrypt session data
 - The Slack API did not require the web session cookie
 - You could pass only the workspace API token
 - Slack API has had a number of changes since 2020!
 - Documentation is good but also omits details (lies) sometimes
- Toolkit development is only part of the story, maintenance also requires **Δ-t** investment

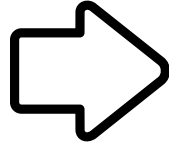
API Automation

- Anything You Can Do, I Can Do Better 🎵
 - Get channel information
 - Fuzzy search for keywords across the workspace
 - Get User details
 - Read conversations (channel/im/mpim)
 - Send messages (with attachments if required)
- Resources
 - <https://api.slack.com/methods>



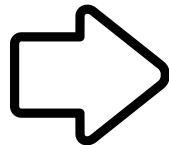
Recce the battlefield

`conversations.list`



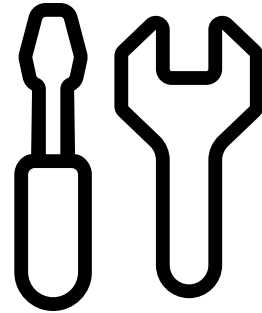
- <https://api.slack.com/methods/conversations.list>
- Channels, IM's, MPIM's

`users.info`



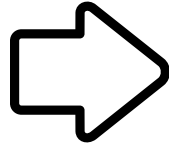
- <https://api.slack.com/methods/users.info>
- Workspace member details

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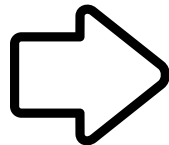
Taking payment in secrets

`search.all`



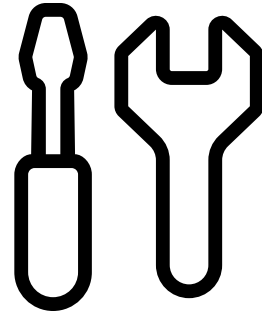
- <https://api.slack.com/methods/search.all>
- Perform fuzzy matching of keywords across the workspace

`conversations.history`



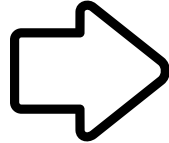
- <https://api.slack.com/methods/conversations.history>
- Read conversation history

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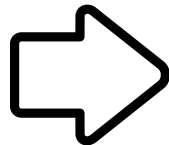
Selling a dream

`chat.postMessage`



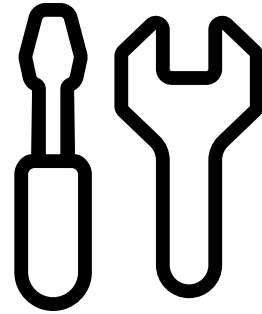
- <https://api.slack.com/methods/chat.postMessage>
- Send messages to a conversation

`files.upload`



- <https://api.slack.com/methods/files.upload>
- Send messages to a conversation with files

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Files, a bonus round

- You can actually upload files without posting them
- You get a file reference you can later use to delete the file
- These files only exist on Slack's servers
- No way to identify them in the Slack app
- You can do a pattern based file search



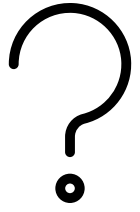
Perfect C2 mechanism



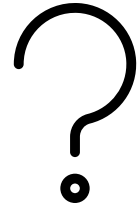
Send Halppp!

When an attacker pops your box they also pop all the things on your box. This risk cannot be eliminated ￣_(`ツ)_/￣

- Ingest and audit user logs for Slack and other similar applications
 - Anomalous authentications
 - New browsers / apps / devices
 - New unique IP's
 - <https://slack.com/intl/en-gb/help/articles/360002084807-View-access-logs-for-your-workspace>
- Set more restrictive session timeouts for your Slack workspace
 - If a session is compromised, you want to limit the duration of access
 - <https://slack.com/intl/en-gb/help/articles/115005223763-Manage-session-duration>



Questions



Reach Out

 <https://www.ibm.com/security/services>

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