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Think like a hacker: Secure Drupal code

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Security is boring*

Doesn't affect me

Doesn't **have** good ROI

* May not apply to you.

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\$1 million already

\$2-3 million by year end

breach: usernames and passwords

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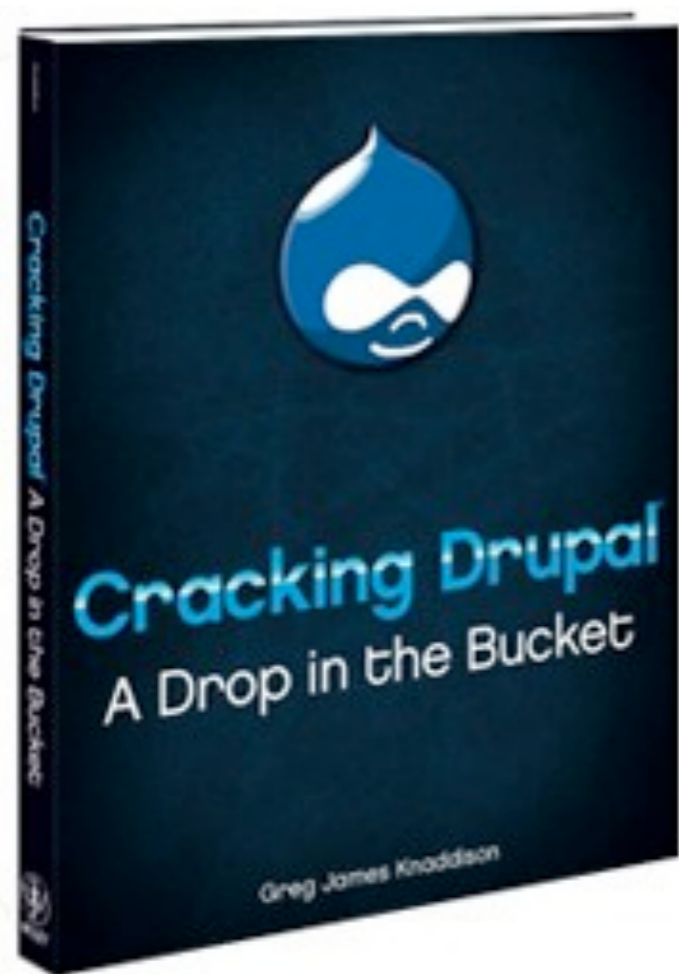
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Cracking Drupal €25



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Members of Drupal Security Team

be the attacker

Say hello to \$user_data

Create Blog entry

TITLE: *

BODY: Split summary at cursor

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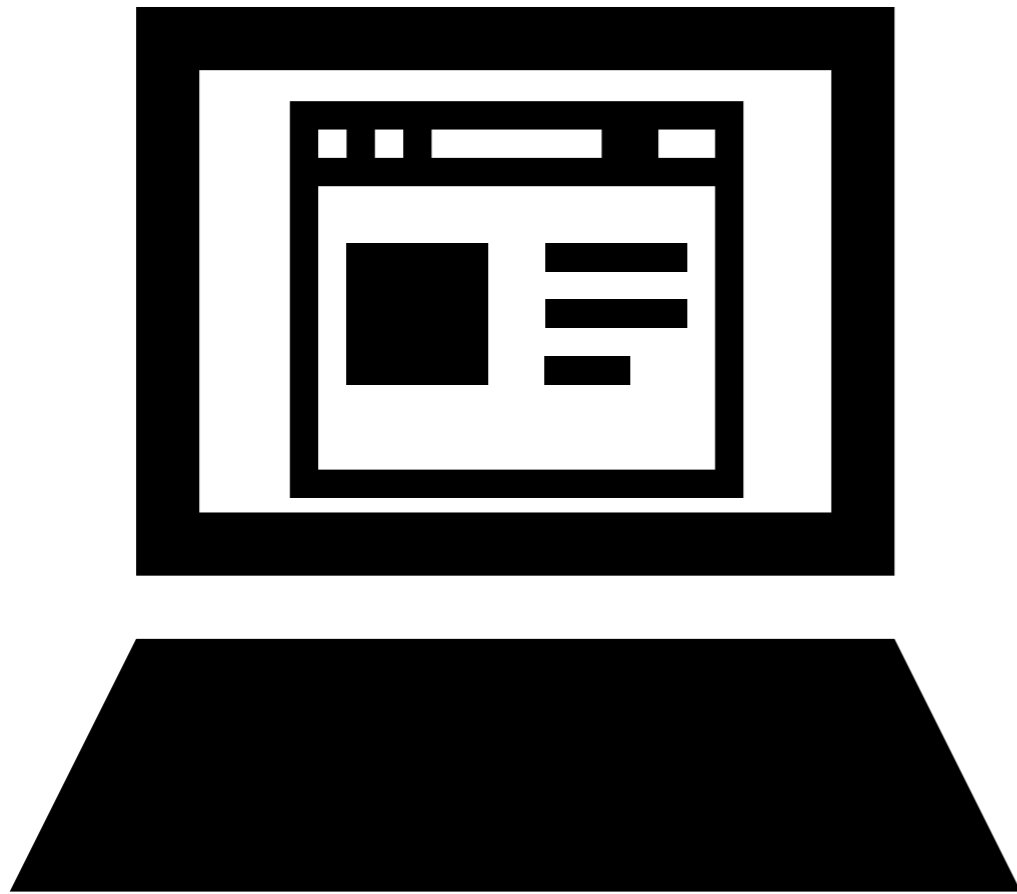
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user agent

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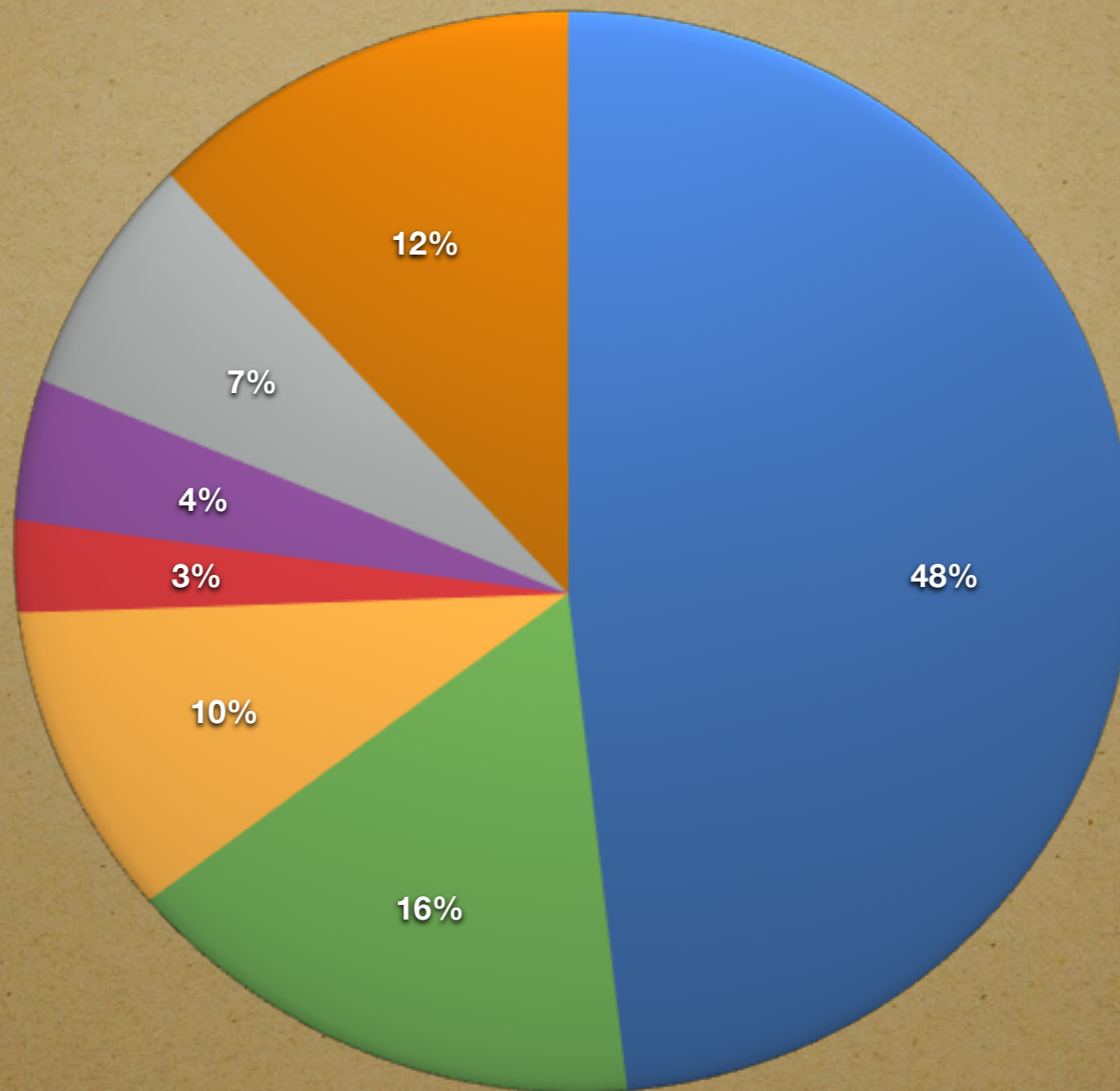
time zone

referrer

& more HTTP request headers

Lots of tools / ways to modify
these for requests

Drupal vulnerabilities by type



- XSS
- Authentication/Session
- Others
- Access Bypass
- Arbitrary Code Execution
- CSRF
- SQL Injection

reported in core and contrib SAs from 6/1/2005 through 3/24/2010

CSRF

Cross Site Request Forgery

Taking action without confirming
intent.

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intent.

How do we confirm intent?

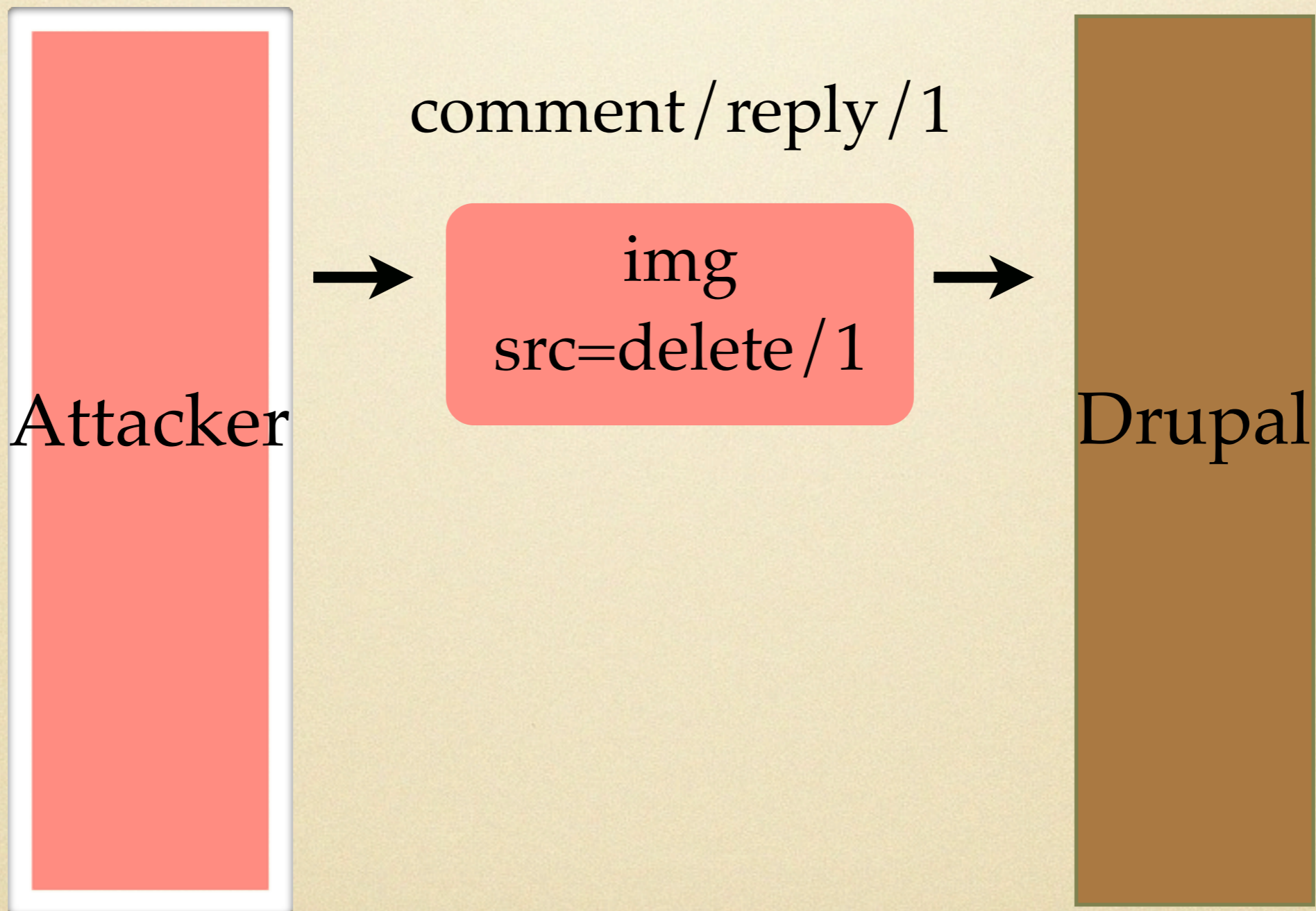
WTF is intent?

`Delete user 1`

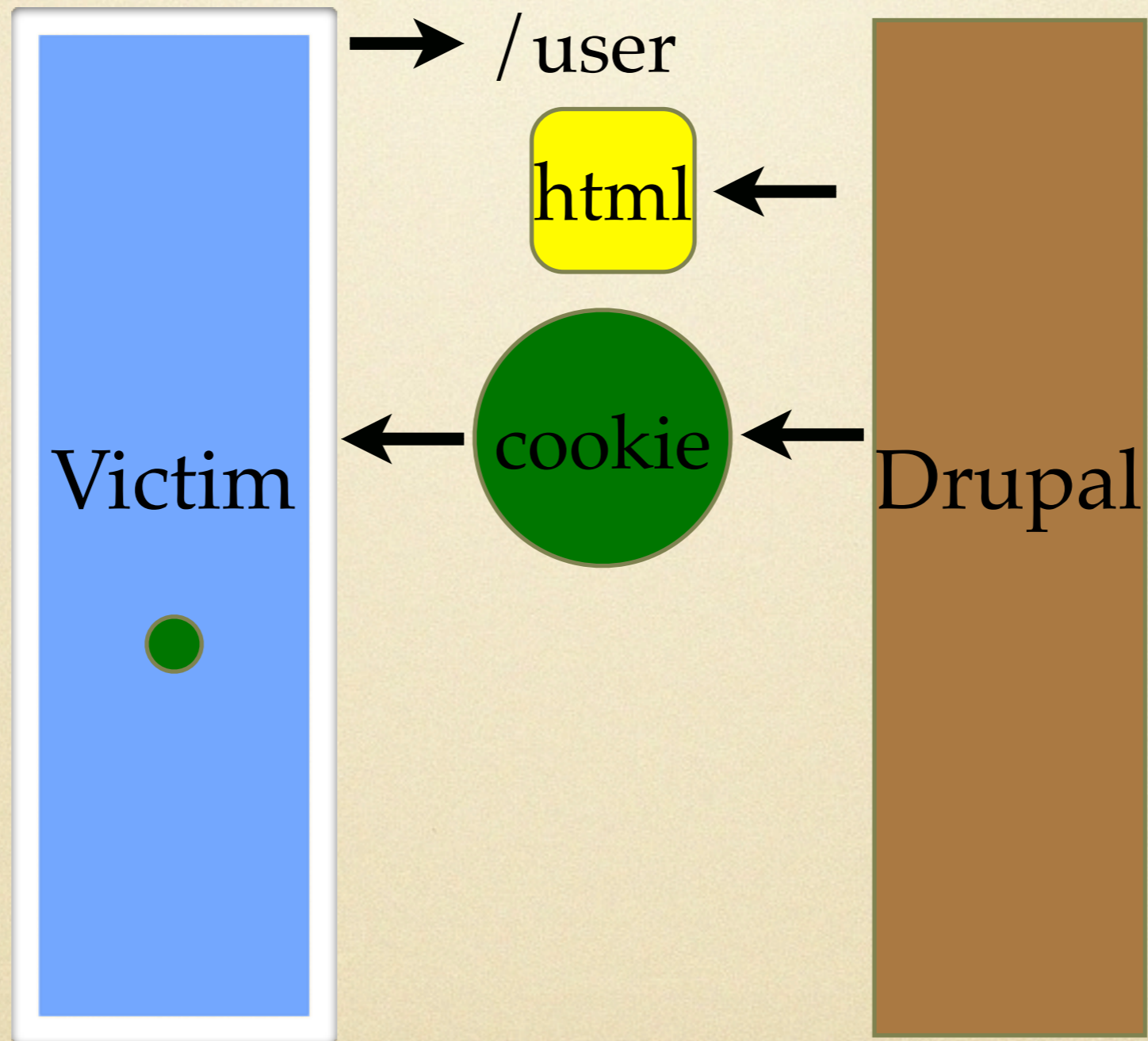
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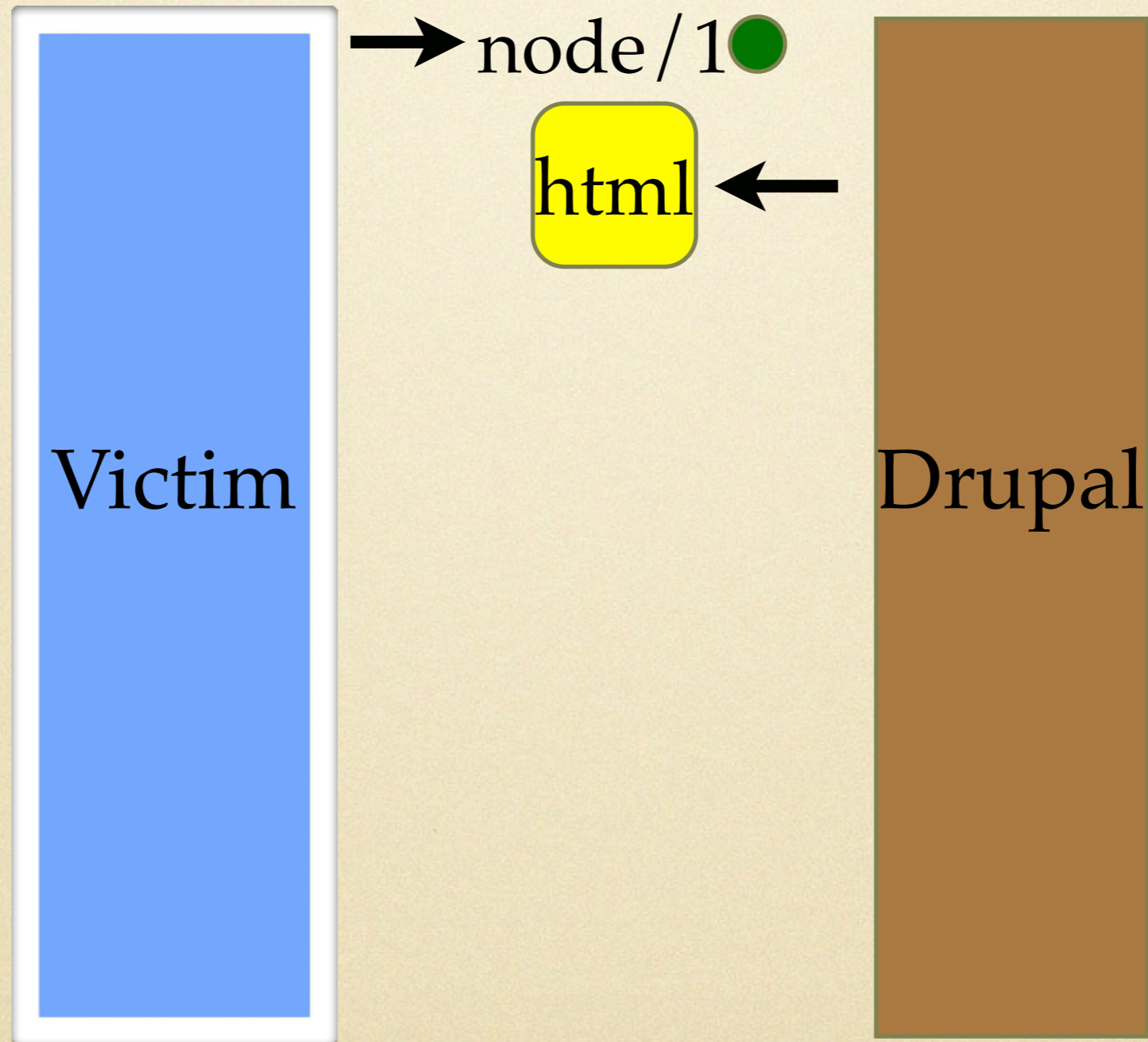
CSRF Flow



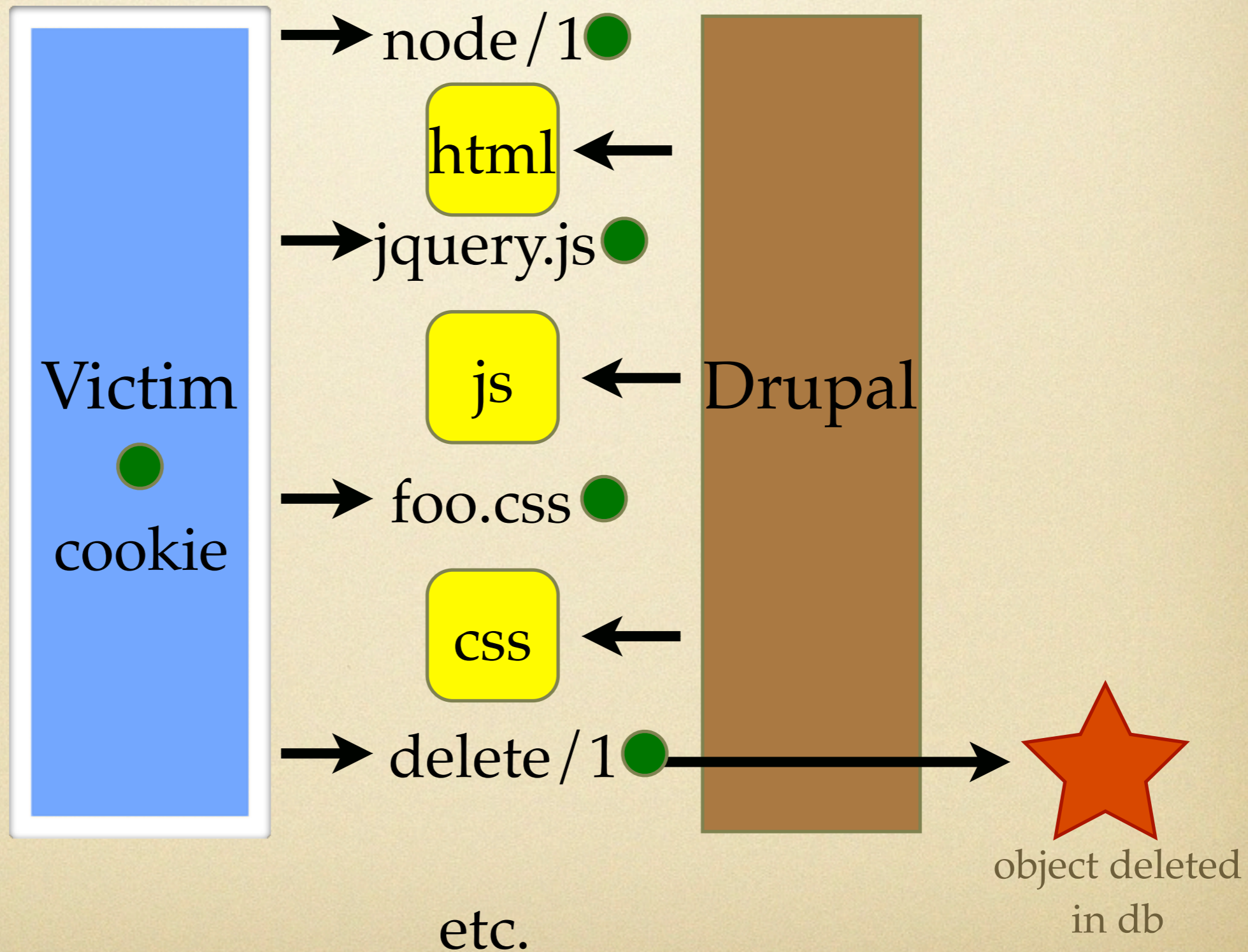
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How do you exploit it?

- URL Shorteners
- ``
- Send a message to a site admin
 - What is my email address or twitter?

Are you my CSRF?

- menu callback with an action verb and not `drupal_get_form`
- directly use `$_POST`, `$_GET`, `arg()`, menu object
- not using `form_submit` OR `drupal_get_token`

Tokens (aka nonce)

- Form API includes tokens by default
- do form, form_validate, form_submit
 - don't \$_POST
- OR: drupal_get_token, drupal_valid_token

CSRF Resources

<http://drupalscout.com/tags/csrf>

XSS

aka: Cross Site Scripting
code in browser using your session

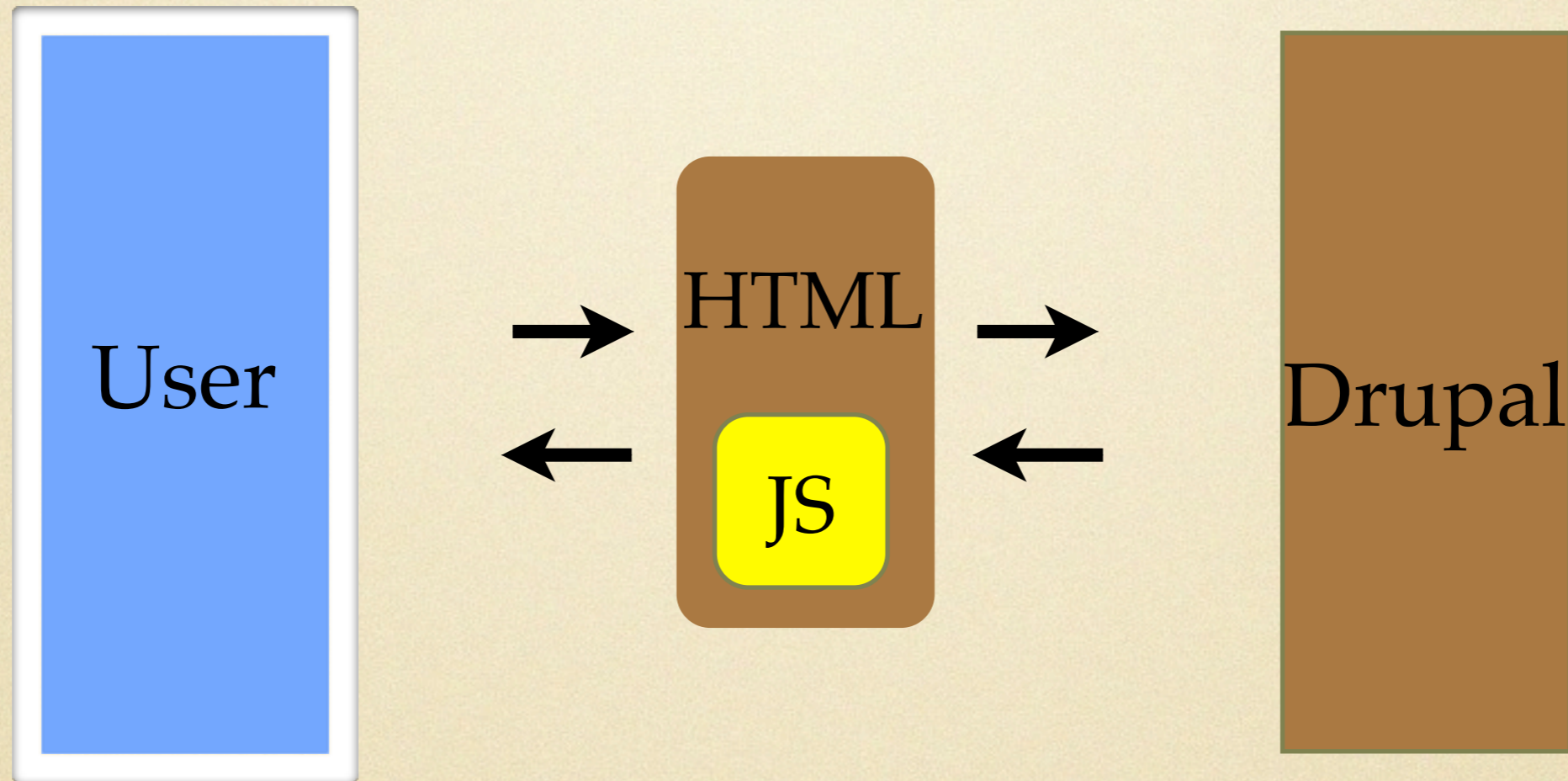
XSS

- Code
- Running in your browser
- Using your cookies on your site
- Requesting, sending, reading responses
- Browser context

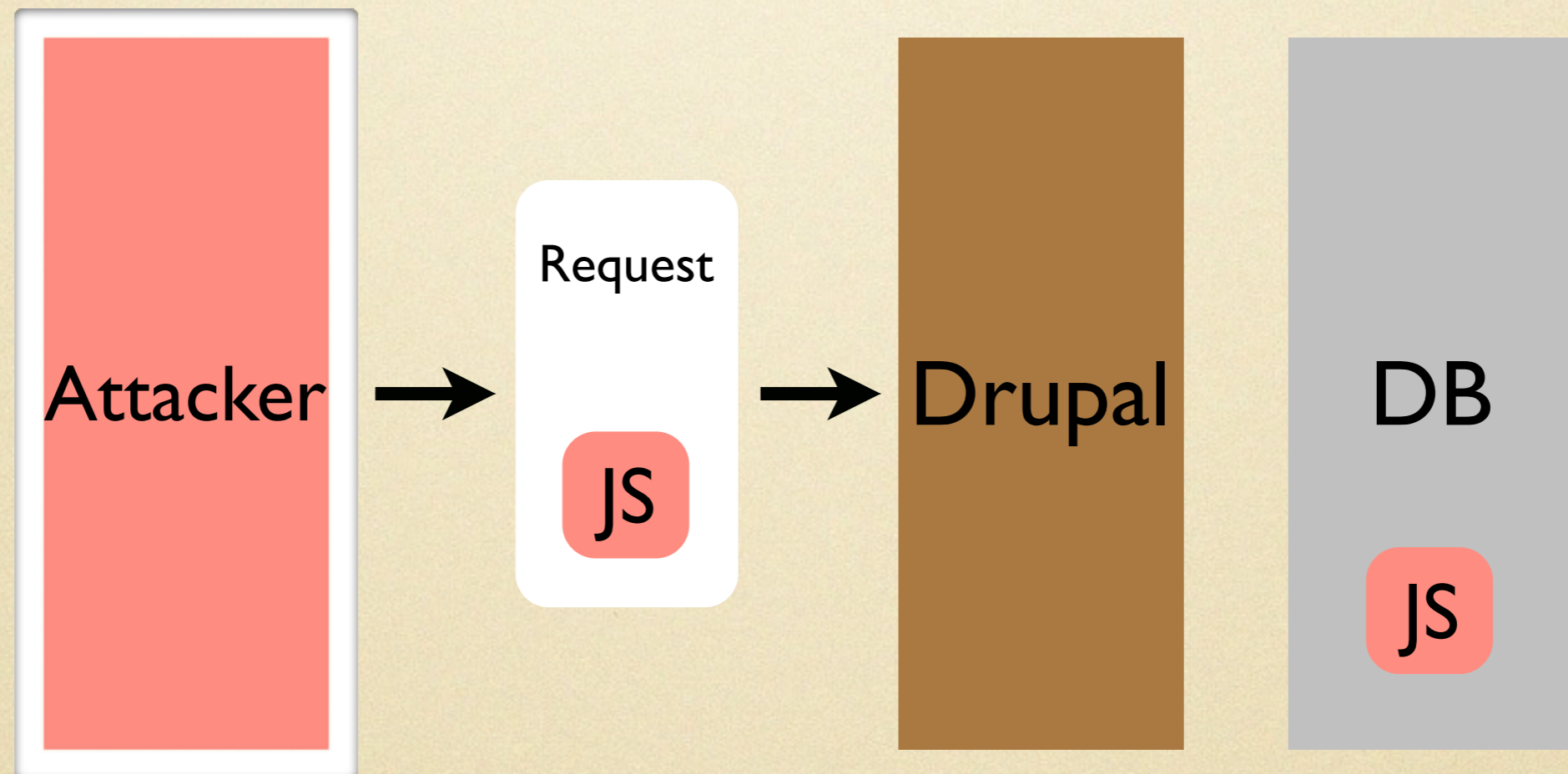
Does that sound familiar?

<https://vimeo.com/15447718>

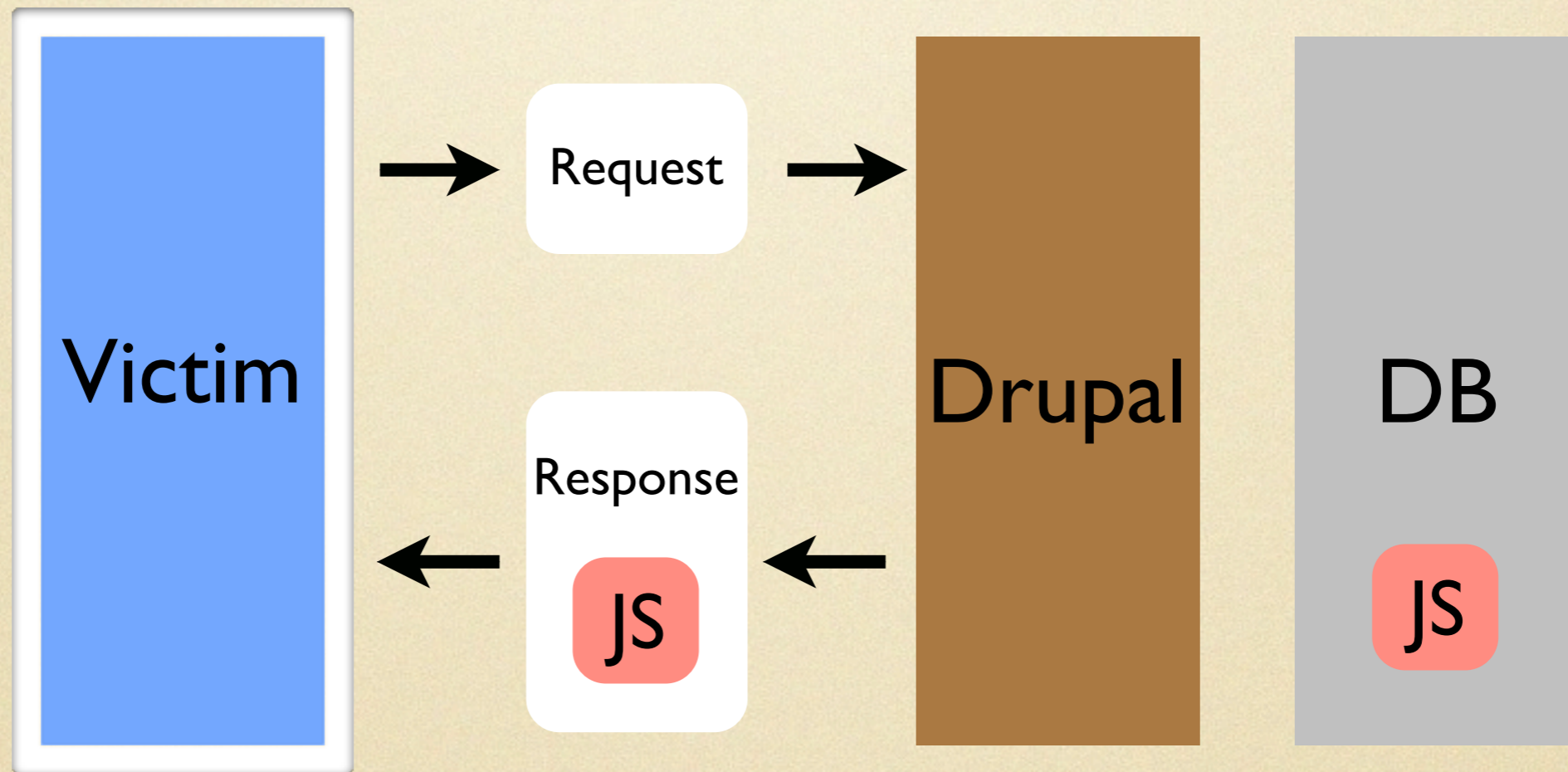
Ajax



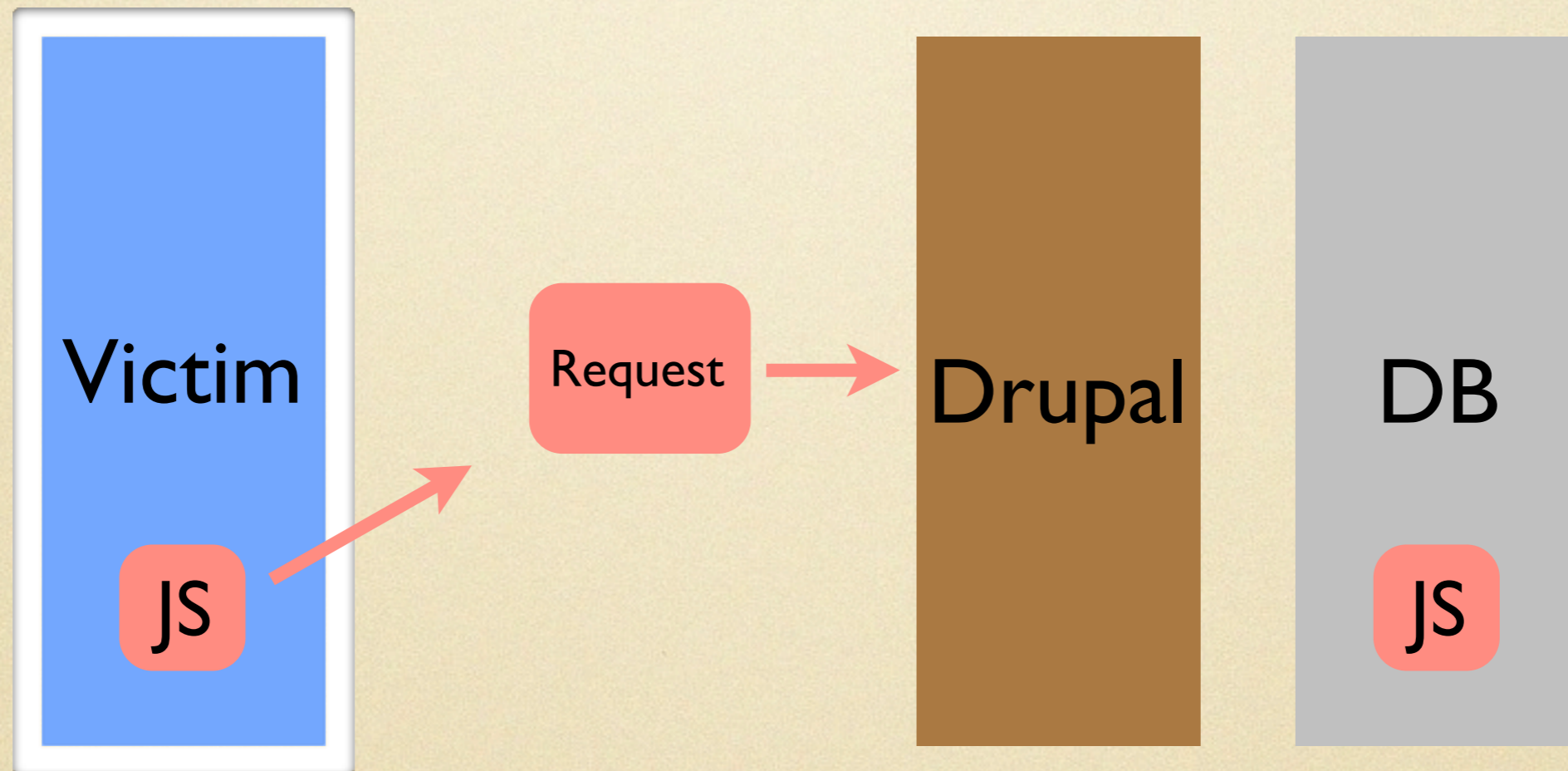
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Validate input

“Why would I ever want
javascript in a node title?”

-developer who forgot to filter
on output

Validate input

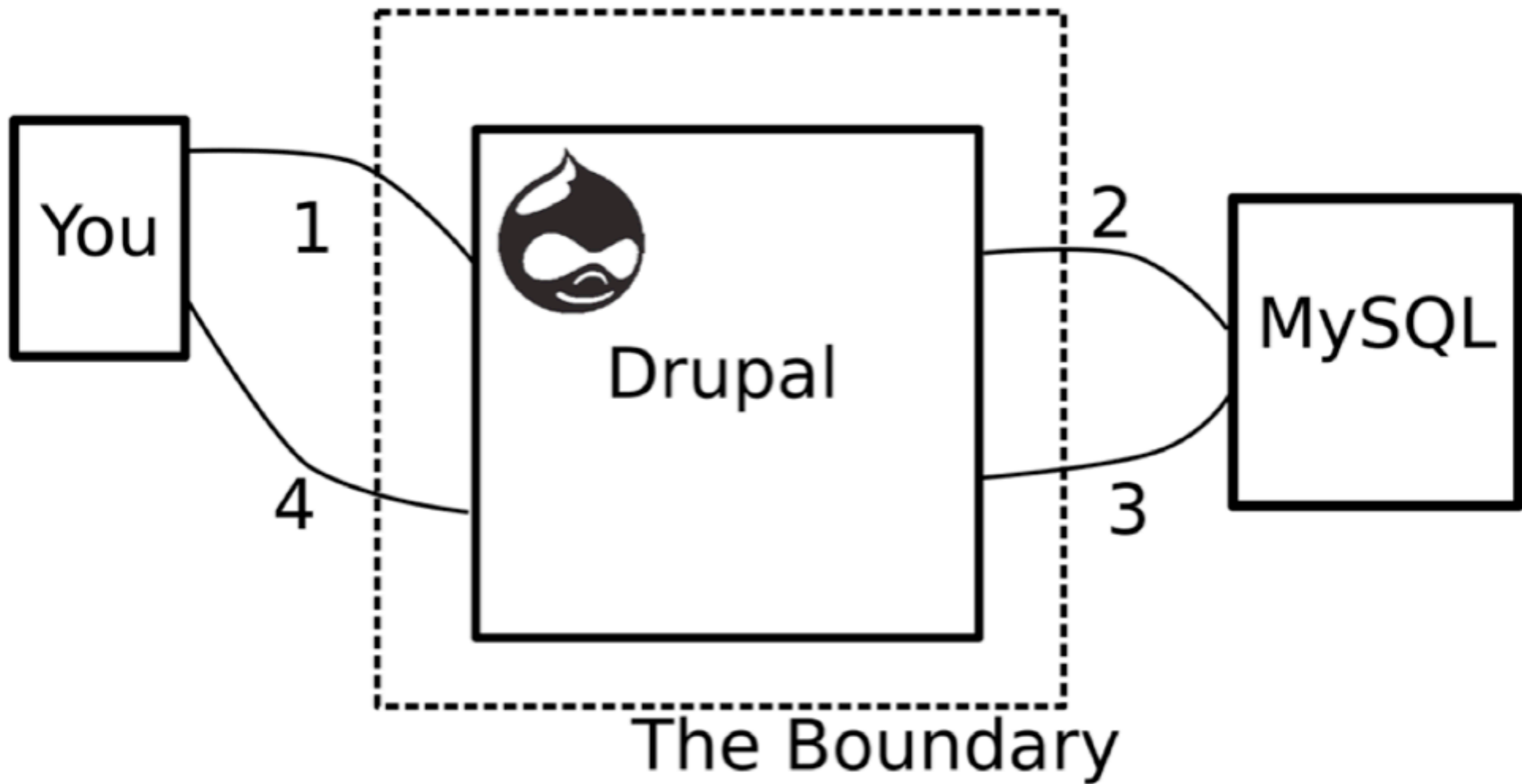
- Is it an email?
- Is it a nid (right type? that they have access to?)

Validation is NOT filtering

Validation is “yes or no” - user fixes it

Filter on output

- “output”
- “filter”
- “on”



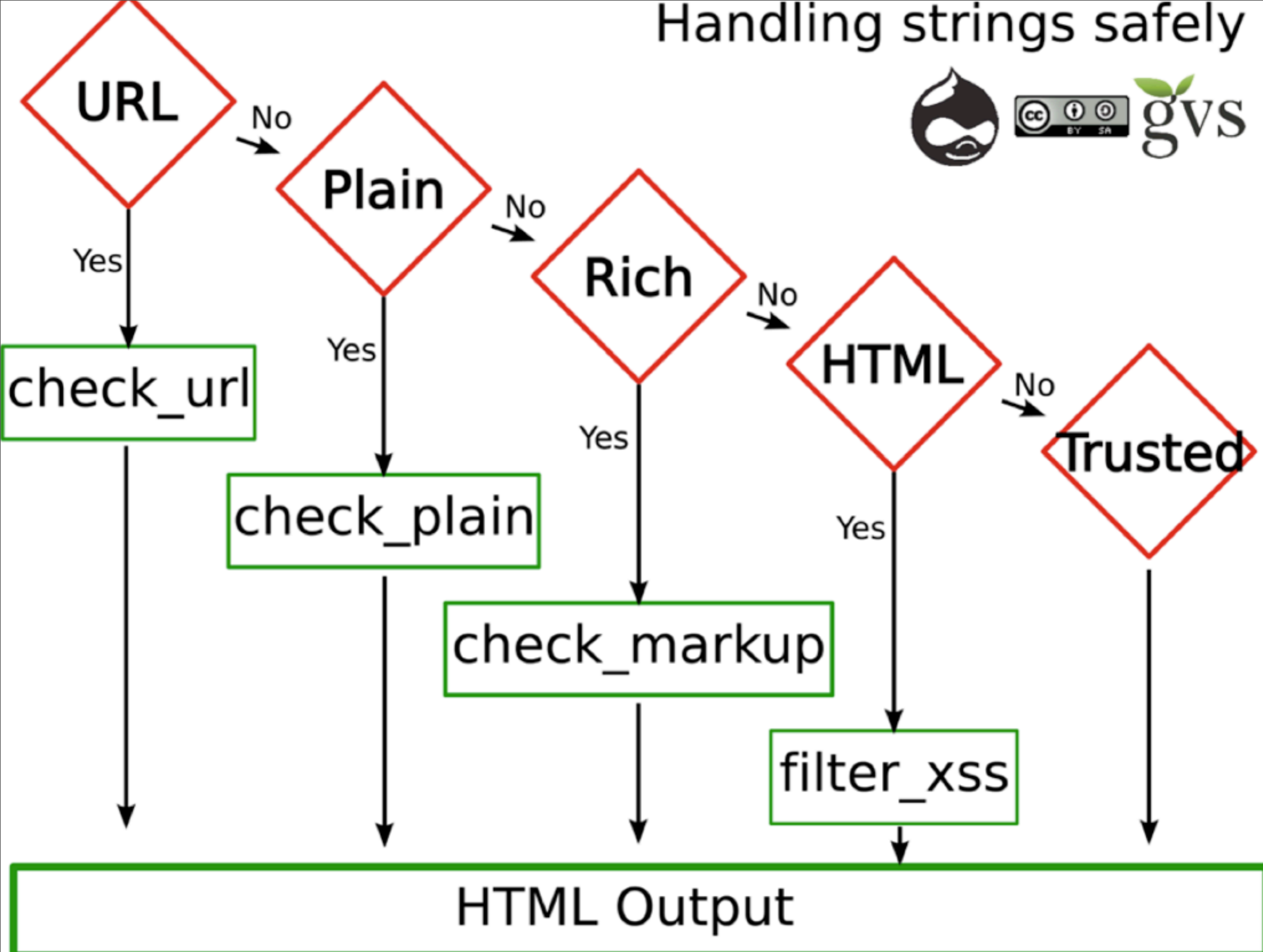
Output Contexts

- Mail context
- Database context
- Web context
- Server context
- <http://acko.net/blog/safe-string-theory-for-the-web>

Filtering XSS

- Input untrusted data
- Output browser appropriate data
- `check_plain`, `check_markup`
- `filter_xss`, `filter_xss_admin`
- free: `l()`, `t()` `@` and `%`, `drupal_set_title`

Handling strings safely



Are you my XSS?

- `drupal_set_message($user_data);`
- `$output .= $node->title;`
- FAPI checkboxes, radios, descriptions, etc.

XSS Resources

<http://drupal scout.com/tags/xss>

Access Bypass

Authentication

Authorization

What is it?

- See something they shouldn't see
- Do something they shouldn't do

Stop Access Bypass

- Check before providing the action
- Check before taking action

Where do we check?

- Request arrives
- Find menu callback
- Call it
- Alter that
- Preprocess it
- Theme it

- 'access callback' => TRUE,
- Page callback
- \$form['#access'] = whatever();
- \$form['f']['#access'] = whatever();
- \$o = theme('username', \$account);

R U my Access Bypass?

- Menu callbacks - kind of important
- `node_access()`
- `$query->addTag('node_access')`
- `hook_permission/user_access`

Resources

- [drupal.org / security / writing-secure-code](http://drupal.org/security/writing-secure-code)
- [groups.drupal.org / best-practices-drupal-security](http://groups.drupal.org/best-practices-drupal-security)
- drupalscout.com
- crackingdrupal.com

Mostly automated review

- [drupal.org / project / security_review](http://drupal.org/project/security_review)
- [drupal.org / project / hacked](http://drupal.org/project/hacked)
- [drupal.org / project / coder](http://drupal.org/project/coder)
- [drupal.org / project / secure_code_review](http://drupal.org/project/secure_code_review)
- Vuln: [github.com / unn / vuln](https://github.com/unnc/vuln)
- More: <http://drupalscout.com/node/11>

Pen-testing tools

- Too many false positives
- Instead, use Drupal specific tools
- Peer review code
- Contribute code

Automated analysis++

- Acquia Insight
- Near real-time 100+ checks
- Routinely alert you to mistakes

Evaluate our session, please

munich2012.drupal.org/node/733

Thanks!

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