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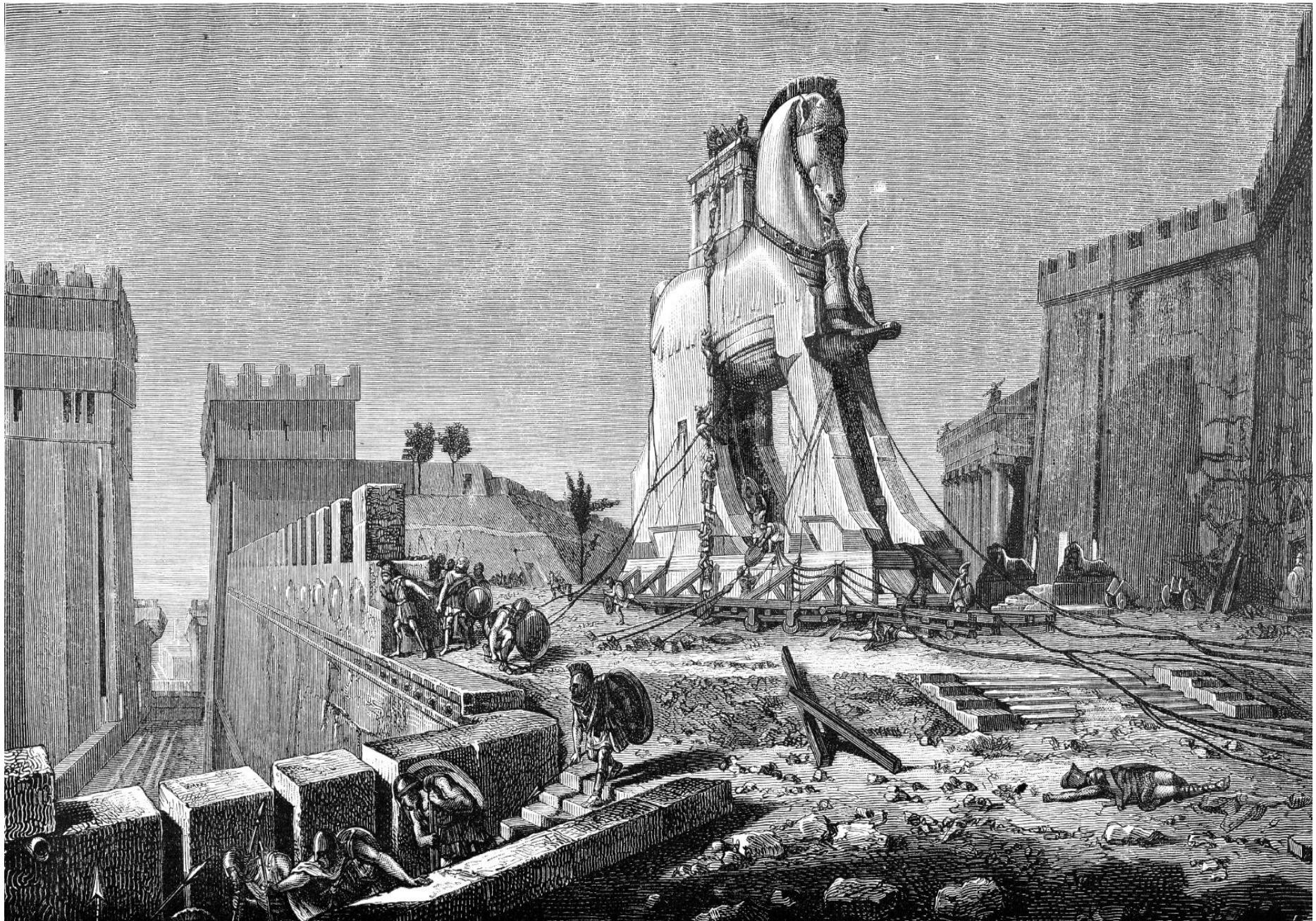
Hardening The Attack Surface

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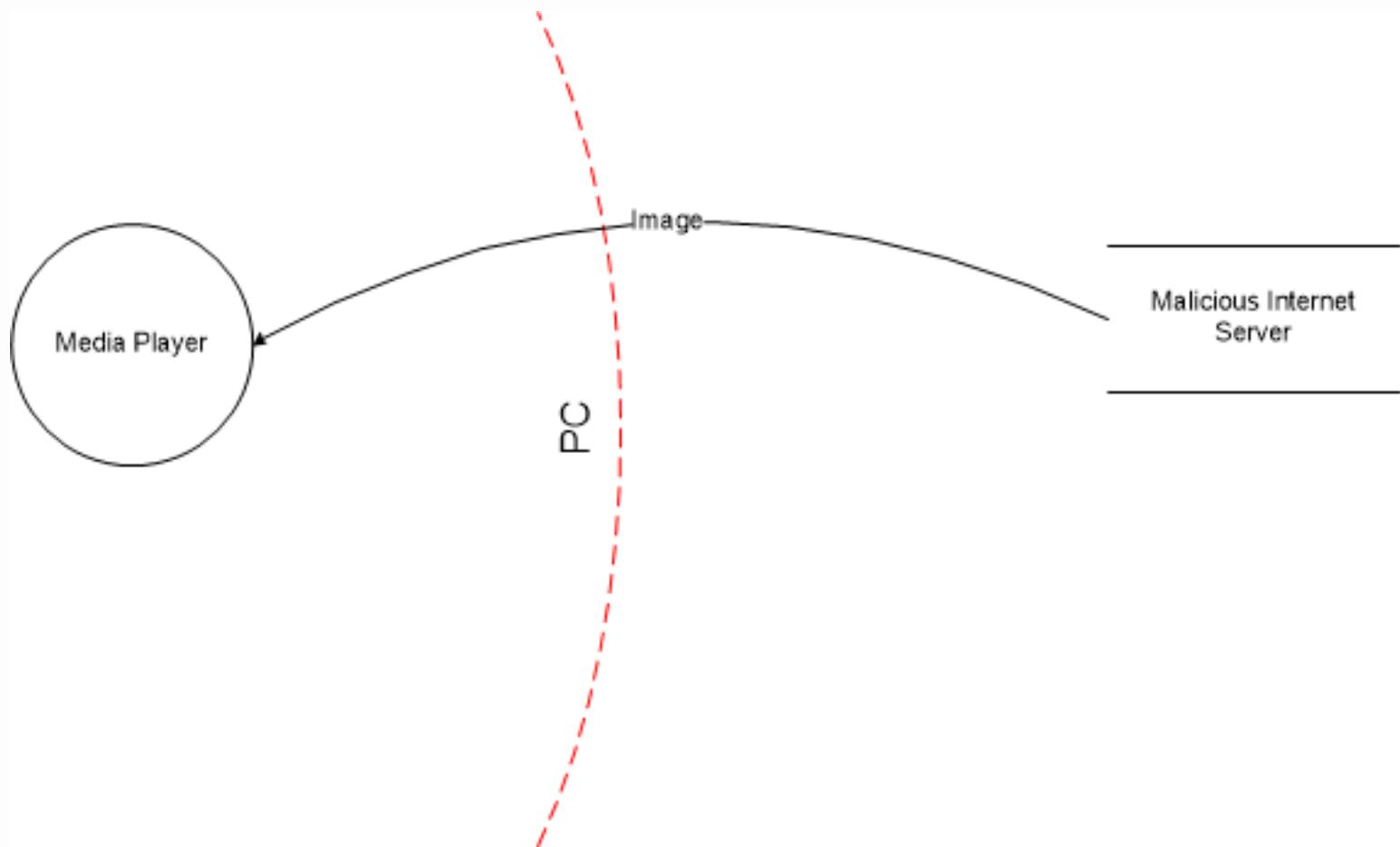
How to Harden an Attack Surface



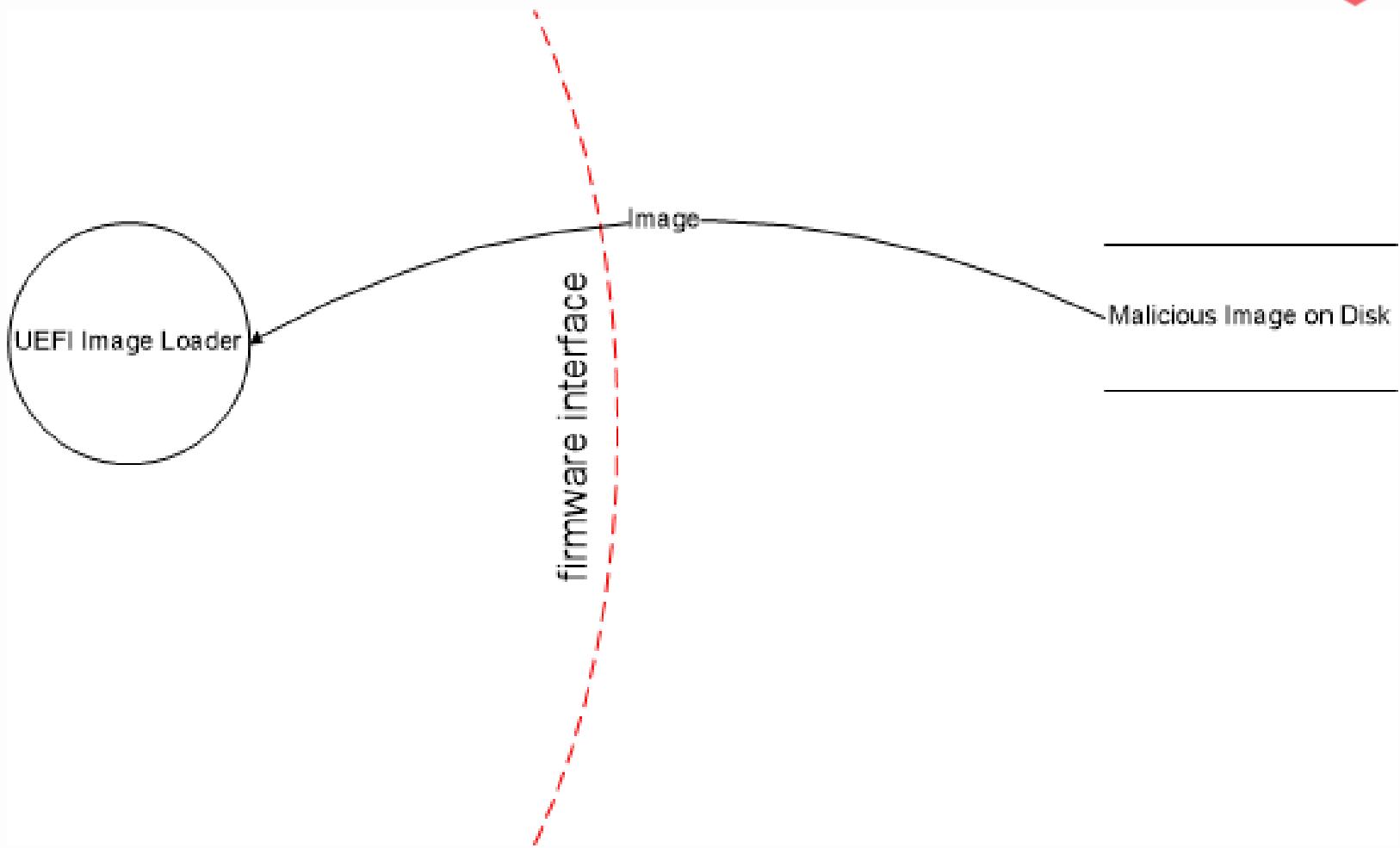
- Threat Modeling
- Secure Coding
- Security Code Audits
- Fuzz Testing
- Software Security Defenses



Media Player Threat Model



UEFI Threat Model



Secure Coding (one aspect)



Validation of untrusted input!

Poor validation of untrusted input may result in:

- Buffer overflows
- Integer and pointer corruption
- Memory overwrites
- ...

Leading to:

- Compromised runtime integrity of authenticated components
- ...

Security Code Audits



```
UINT32 FindJamInBlob(BLOB* Blob, size_t BlobSize)
{
    UINT32 JamOffset;

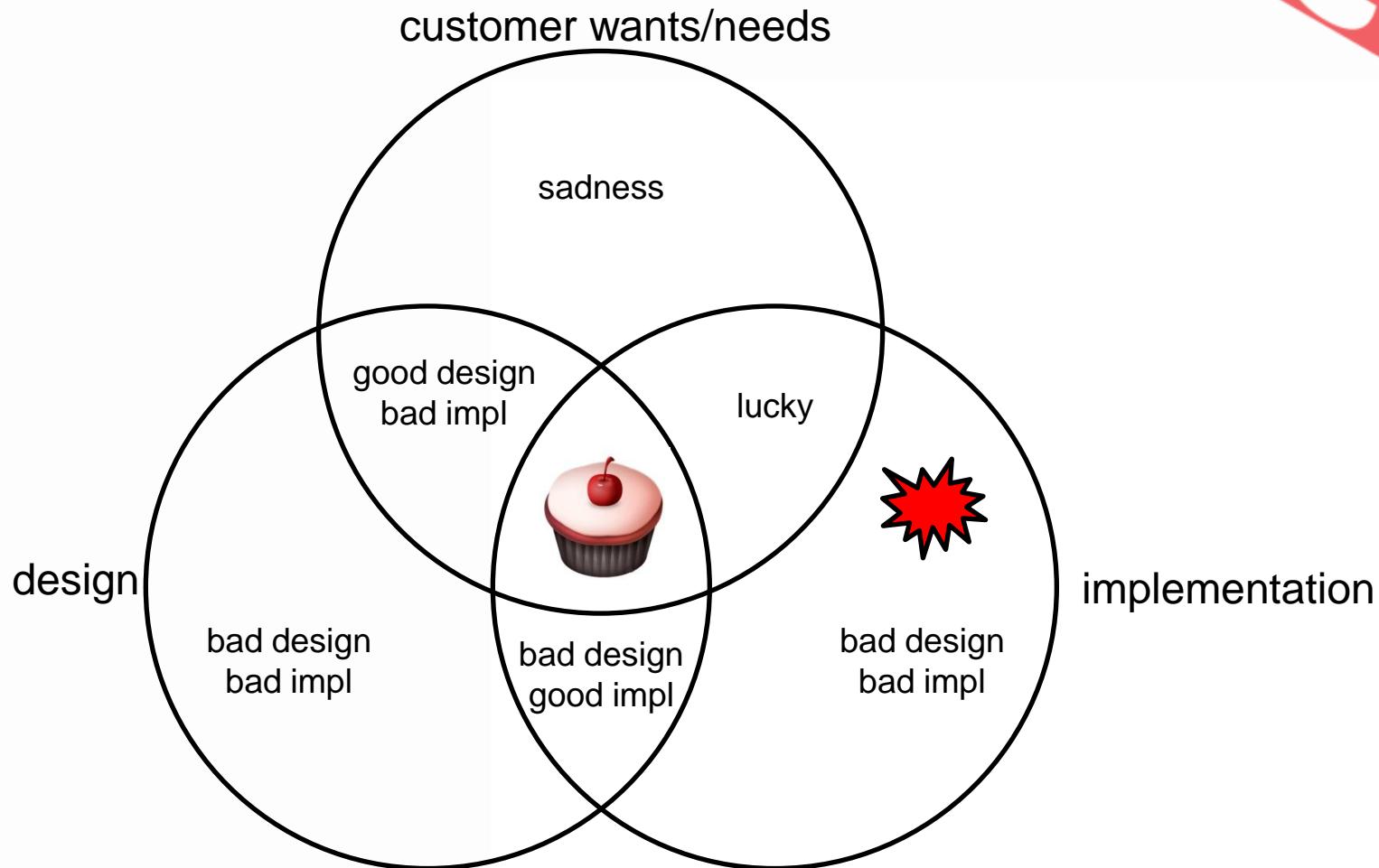
    JamOffset = Blob->Start + Blob->Hdr.Size;

    return JamOffset;
}
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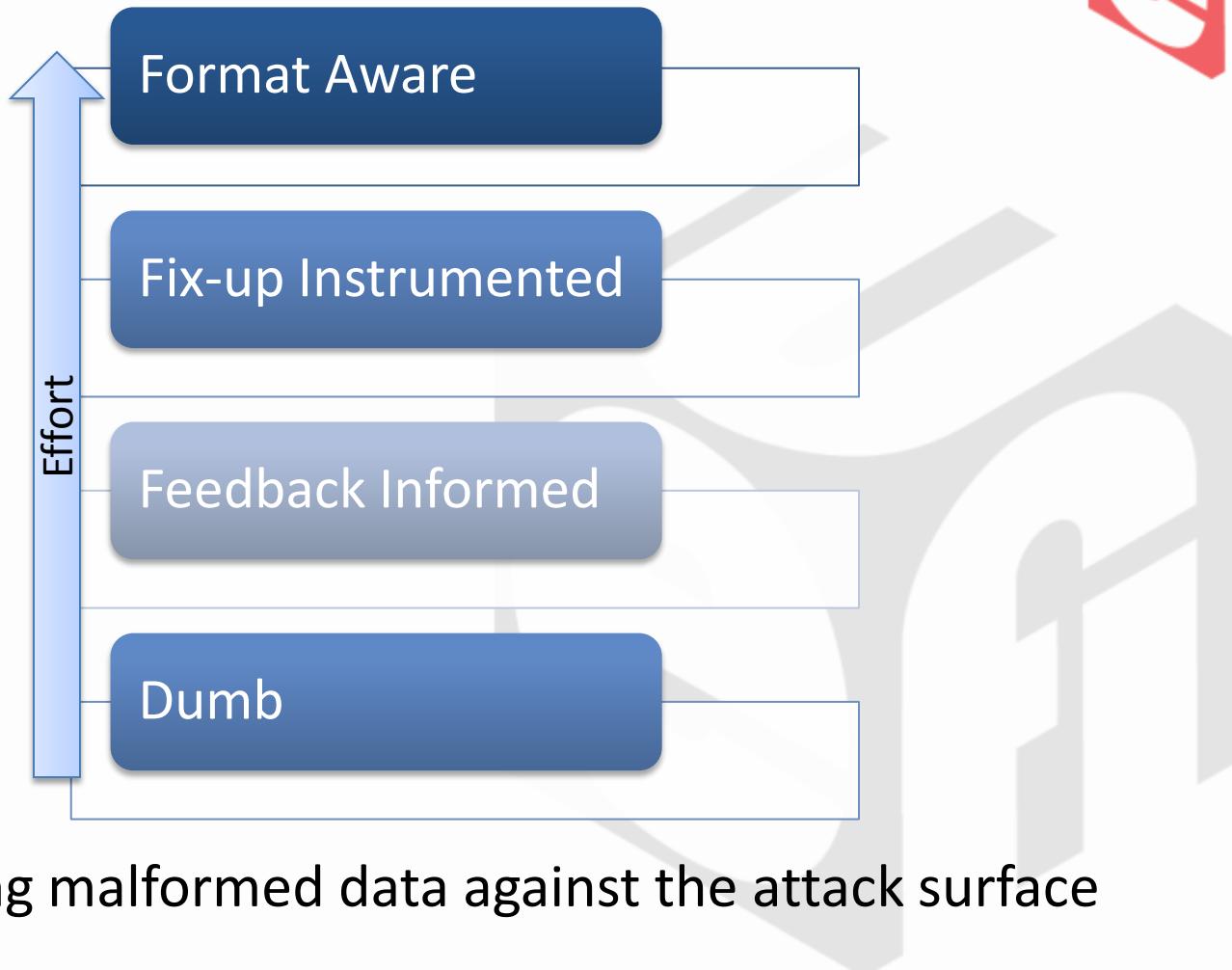
First, ask questions

Second, identify vulnerabilities

Venn and the Art of Security Testing



Fuzz Testing



Software Security Defenses



- Writing Secure Code
- Stack Buffer Overrun Detection (GS)
- Data Execution Prevention (DEP/NX)
- Address Space Layout Randomization (ASLR)
- Heap Corruption Detection
- Migration to Safer Functions

How to Harden and Attack Surface



- **Secure Coding:** helps to avoid problems

Guidelines for Writing Secure Code: <http://msdn.microsoft.com/en-us/library/ms182020.aspx>

Writing Secure Code: <http://msdn.microsoft.com/en-us/security/aa570401>

Safe Integer Arithmetic in C: <http://blogs.msdn.com/b/michael Howard/archive/2006/02/02/523392.aspx>

- **Threat Modeling:** helps to define trust boundaries and potentially malicious data input points

<http://www.microsoft.com/security/sdl/adopt/threatmodeling.aspx>

- **Security Code Audits:** helps identify vulnerabilities through manual code inspection

<http://technet.microsoft.com/en-us/library/cc723542.aspx>

<http://blogs.msdn.com/b/sdl/archive/2011/10/19/code-analysis-for-all.aspx>

- **Fuzz Testing:** helps find input parsing and other vulnerabilities

<http://msdn.microsoft.com/en-us/testing/cc162782.aspx>

- **Software Security Defenses:** helps provide blanket protection against some threats

<http://msdn.microsoft.com/en-us/library/bb430720.aspx>

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