

We cannot REST on API
security

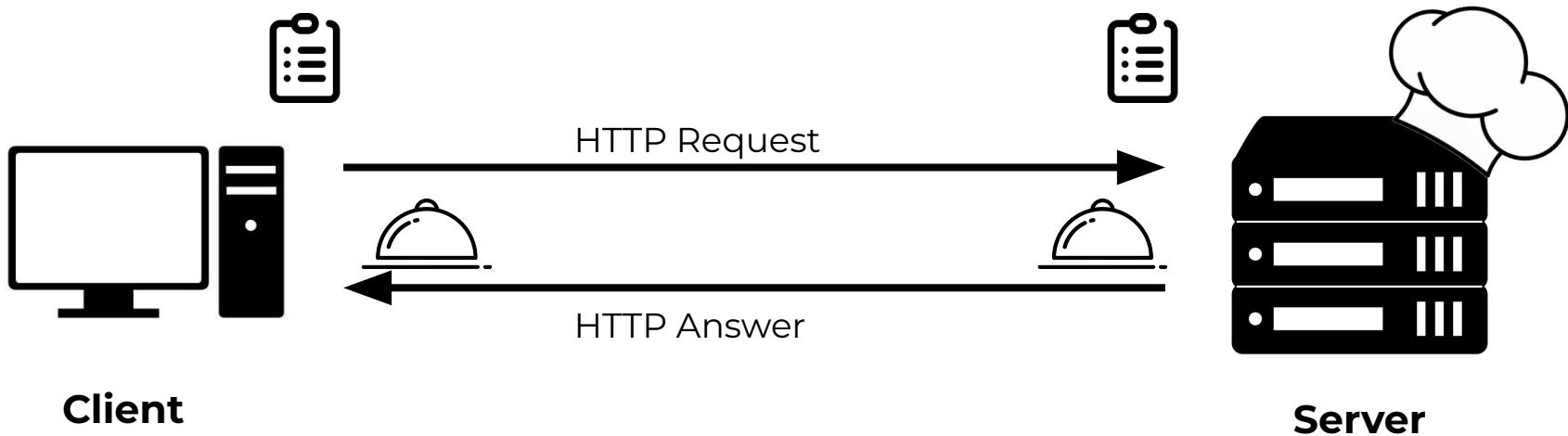
RESTAPI

REST

Representational State Transfer

API

Application Programming Interfaces



OWASP: Open Web Application Security Project



What is OWASP?

A global non-profit organization dedicated to improving web and API security through:

- Best practices & guidelines.
- Open-source security tools
- Industry-leading research.

Why does it matter?

- Helps developers and businesses identify and mitigate security risks.
- Used as a standard in cybersecurity frameworks and compliance.

OWASP Top 10 API Security Risks – 2023

API1:2023 - Broken Object Level Authorization

POST /api/order

```
{  
  "tableNumber": 12,  
  "dish": "Truffle Pasta",  
  "quantity": 1,  
  "priority": "high"  
}
```

HTTP/1.1 401 Unauthorized



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API2:2023 - Broken Authentication

POST /api/order

```
{  
  "tableNumber": 12,  
  "dish": "Red wine bottle",  
  "quantity": 1,  
  "order_age": 17,  
  "priority": "high"  
}
```

HTTP/1.1 200 OK



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API3:2023 - Broken Object Property Level Authorization

POST /api/order

```
{  
  "tableNumber": 12,  
  "dish": "Red wine bottle",  
  "quantity": 1,  
  "order_age": 18,  
  "price": 2  
}
```

HTTP/1.1 200 OK

```
{  
  "order_id": 9999,  
  "items": [  
    {  
      "dish": "Red wine bottle",  
      "price": 2.00,  
      "quantity": 1,  
      "legal_age": True  
    }  
  ],  
  "total_price": 2.00  
}
```

API4:2023 - Unrestricted Resource Consumption

POST /api/order/free-bread

```
{  
  "tableNumber": 12,  
  "quantity": 1000  
}
```

HTTP/1.1 **418 I'm a Teapot**



API4:2023 - Unrestricted Resource Consumption

POST /api/order/free-bread

```
{  
  "tableNumber": 12,  
  "quantity": 1000  
}
```



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API5:2023 - Broken Function Level Authorization

POST /api/admin/add-dish

```
{  
  "name": "Hawaii Pizza",  
  "price": 10000.00  
}
```

HTTP/1.1 **401 Unauthorized**



API6:2023 - Unrestricted Access to Sensitive Business Flows

GET /api/recipes/

```
{  
  "dish": "Federico's Tiramisu"  
}
```

HTTP/1.1 200 OK



API7:2023 - Server Side Request Forgery

GET /api/menu

```
{  
  "language": "it",  
  "category": "main_course",  
  "source_url": "localhost:/database"  
}
```

HTTP/1.1 200 OK



API8:2023 -
**Security
Misconfiguration**



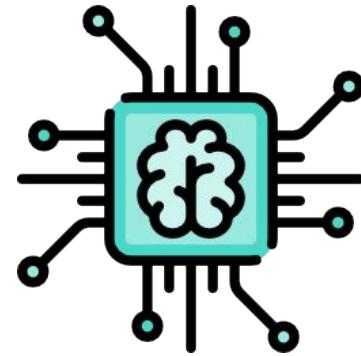
API9:2023 -
**Improper Inventory
Management**



API10:2023 -
**Unsafe Consumption
of APIs**



API Security 2025 Trends:



Thank you for your attention!