

# The Modern Threat Landscape

Your legacy WAF was designed for the easy-to-spot, tip-of-the-iceberg attacks, not the multitude of less-obvious attacks working together beneath the surface to create a Titanic-sized problem.

## OWASP Signature-Based Attacks

Attacks based on the OWASP Top 10 that have detectable signatures.

### ATTACKS WORKING TOGETHER BELOW THE SURFACE

#### Credential Stuffing

Exploiting user credentials that were stolen in a previous breach.

#### Account Takeover (ATO)

Includes attacks like credential stuffing, brute force, or password spraying.

#### Evasion Techniques

Employing tactics like varying user agents or spoofing TLS handshakes to disguise or redirect attention from attacks.

#### Malicious Bots

Weaponizing many of the other attack types listed here by using bots.

#### Misconfiguration

Taking advantage of a misconfiguration in the way that a system is set up, or looking for a way to misconfigure a system.

#### Feature Abuse

Conducting massive queries to the database in an attempt to slow down performance and/or interrupt availability.

#### Layer 7 Denial of Service

Disrupting an application by driving massive amounts of traffic to a target application.

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Learn more about the hidden iceberg that is the modern threat landscape in *What Lies Beneath: What You Need to Know About the Modern Threat Landscape*.

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