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Beta Presentation

Remediating AWS Security Gaps Using Generative AI

The Capstone Experience

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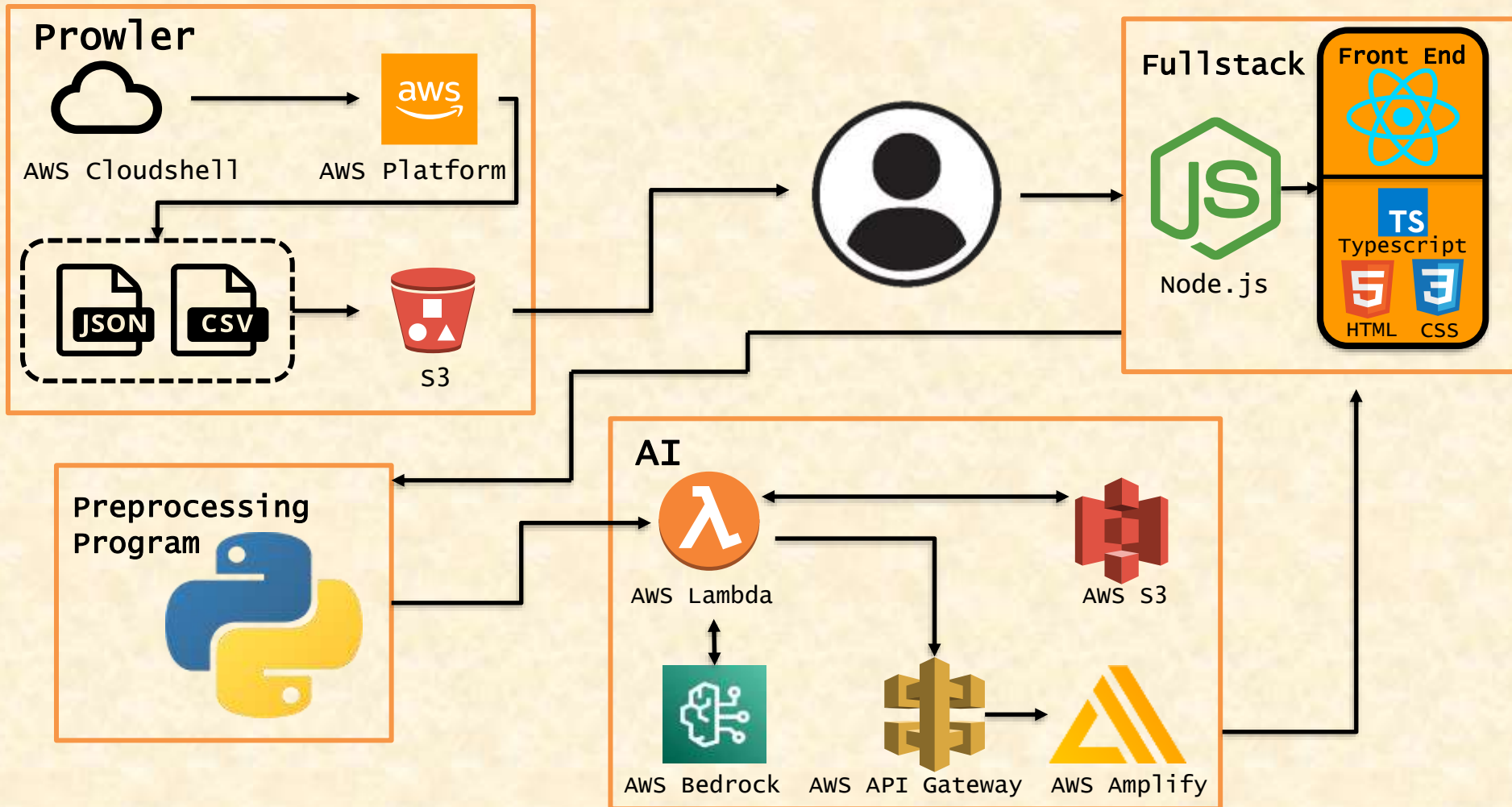
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...to Professionals*

Project Overview

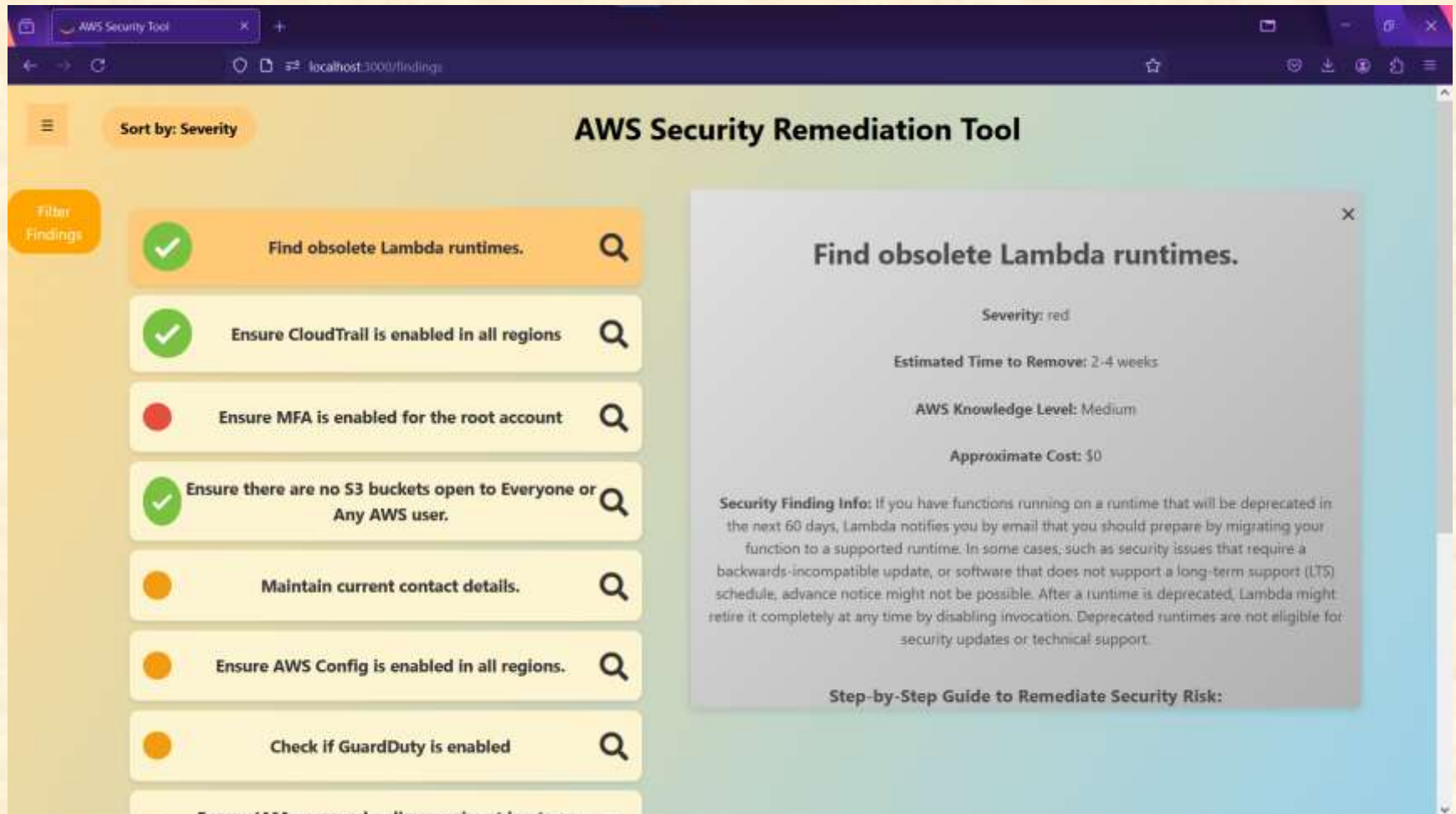
- AWS security analyses are currently difficult to understand for users
- Our AI and webpage classifies AWS security risks and provides a step-by-step guide to rectifying these issues
- Intended users are non-tech-savvy AWS clients
- Users can submit analyses and gain a better understanding of what are the risks, their priorities, and steps to remediation



System Architecture



Main Page



The screenshot displays the AWS Security Remediation Tool interface. The main heading is "AWS Security Remediation Tool". A "Sort by: Severity" button is visible. A "Filter Findings" button is on the left. The findings list includes:

- Find obsolete Lambda runtimes. (Severity: red)
- Ensure CloudTrail is enabled in all regions. (Severity: yellow)
- Ensure MFA is enabled for the root account. (Severity: red)
- Ensure there are no S3 buckets open to Everyone or Any AWS user. (Severity: yellow)
- Maintain current contact details. (Severity: yellow)
- Ensure AWS Config is enabled in all regions. (Severity: yellow)
- Check if GuardDuty is enabled. (Severity: yellow)

The detailed view for "Find obsolete Lambda runtimes." shows the following information:

- Severity: red
- Estimated Time to Remove: 2-4 weeks
- AWS Knowledge Level: Medium
- Approximate Cost: \$0

Security Finding Info: If you have functions running on a runtime that will be deprecated in the next 60 days, Lambda notifies you by email that you should prepare by migrating your function to a supported runtime. In some cases, such as security issues that require a backwards-incompatible update, or software that does not support a long-term support (LTS) schedule, advance notice might not be possible. After a runtime is deprecated, Lambda might retire it completely at any time by disabling invocation. Deprecated runtimes are not eligible for security updates or technical support.

Step-by-Step Guide to Remediate Security Risk:



Sorting Methods

Filter Findings

Price Range

Min

Max

Estimated Time

Min (minutes)

Max (minutes)

Knowledge Level

High

Medium

Low

Severity

High

Medium

Low

Apply Filters

Sort by: Severity

Severity

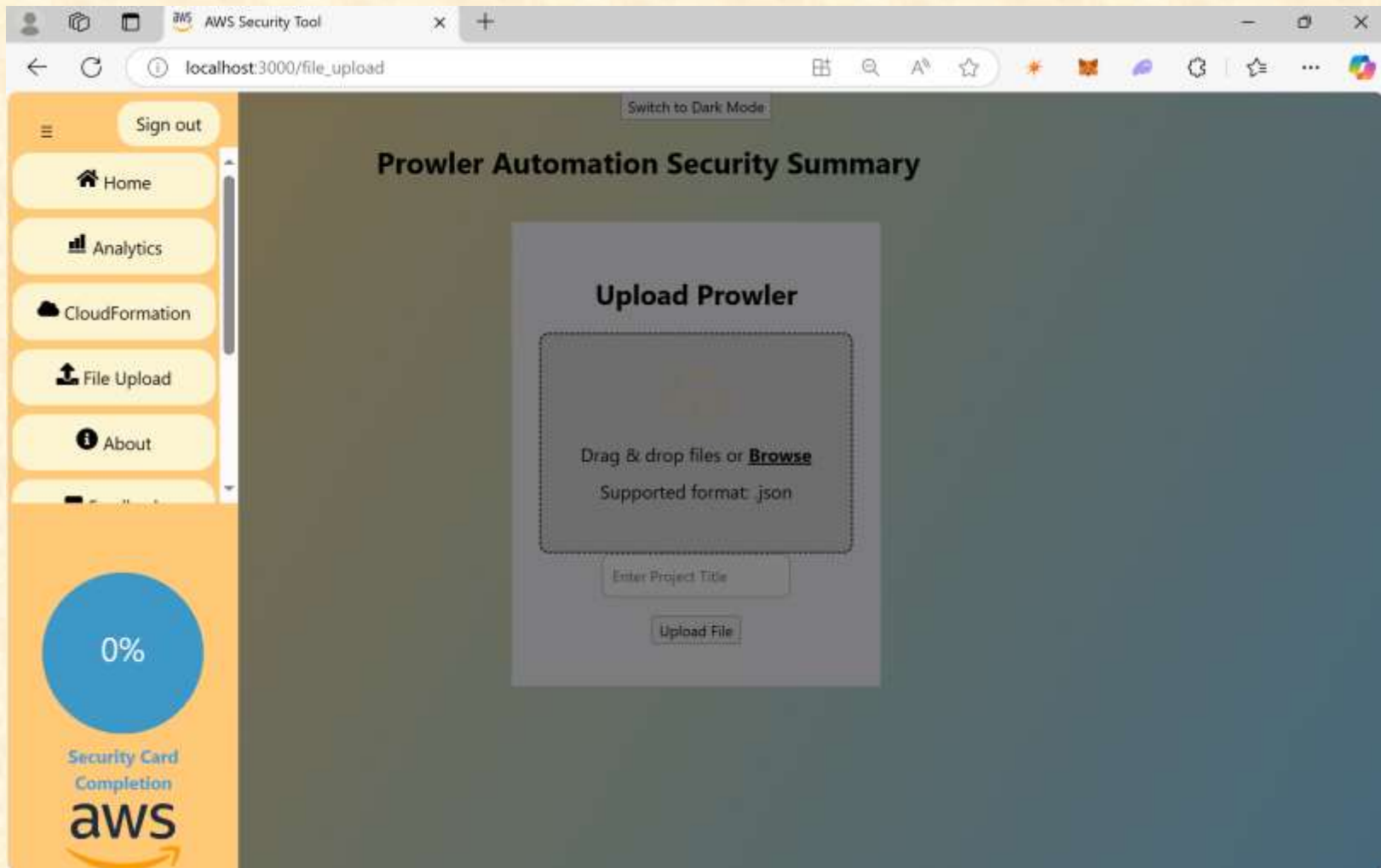
Time Needed

Skill Needed

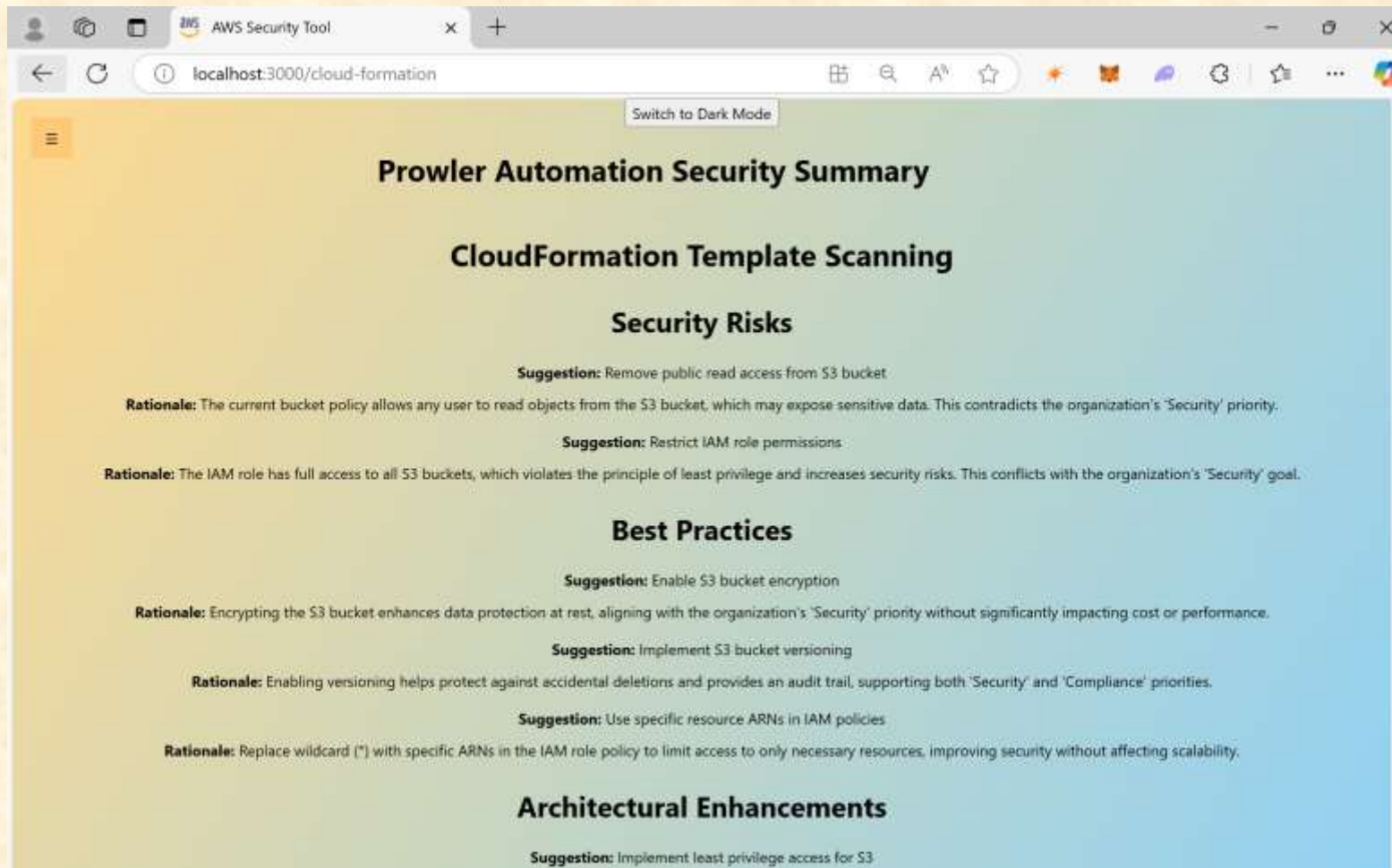
Price



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CloudFormation Scan



Switch to Dark Mode

Prowler Automation Security Summary

CloudFormation Template Scanning

Security Risks

Suggestion: Remove public read access from S3 bucket

Rationale: The current bucket policy allows any user to read objects from the S3 bucket, which may expose sensitive data. This contradicts the organization's 'Security' priority.

Suggestion: Restrict IAM role permissions

Rationale: The IAM role has full access to all S3 buckets, which violates the principle of least privilege and increases security risks. This conflicts with the organization's 'Security' goal.

Best Practices

Suggestion: Enable S3 bucket encryption

Rationale: Encrypting the S3 bucket enhances data protection at rest, aligning with the organization's 'Security' priority without significantly impacting cost or performance.

Suggestion: Implement S3 bucket versioning

Rationale: Enabling versioning helps protect against accidental deletions and provides an audit trail, supporting both 'Security' and 'Compliance' priorities.

Suggestion: Use specific resource ARNs in IAM policies

Rationale: Replace wildcard (*) with specific ARNs in the IAM role policy to limit access to only necessary resources, improving security without affecting scalability.

Architectural Enhancements

Suggestion: Implement least privilege access for S3



What's left to do?

- Stretch Goals
 - Select multiple options in CloudFormation
- Other Tasks
 - Frontend styling
 - Identifying and fixing bugs
 - Adding ARN location specification to findings



Questions?

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