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Senior Project: Staying Out of the X Hairs

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Presumed Skills

- Basic understanding of operating Ubuntu
- Basic understanding of the Terminal/Unix command line
- Basic knowledge of how servers and web hosting works

Prerequisites

- An Ubuntu server that is 18.04 or above
- Download the ZIP from the following GitHub address

https://github.com/AceSwank/X-Hairs.git

Configuration

1. **Apache install**

Use the following command in the terminal:

```
sudo apt install apache2
```

Once the command is finished apache has been installed and configured, to check this enter the following into a browser.

http://server-ip-or-domain-name

From here additional steps may be taken to further configure apache to suit preferences.

2. **PHP install**

Use the following command in the terminal:

```
sudo apt install php libapache2-mod-php
sudo systemctl restart apache2
```

From this point PHP has been installed onto the system. If you want to test to make sure it is working properly enter the following in the terminal.

```
sudo nano /var/www/domain-name/info.php
```

This creates a file called info.php in var/www/domain-name. While in the text editor enter the following: <?php phpinfo(); ?>

Then use ctrl X to exit and save. Once finished enter http://server-ip-or-domain-name/info.php into a web browser to see information on the server and make sure that the php is working properly.

3. Setting up the server files

Now if the files from GitHub have not been downloaded to an accessible location it is time to do so. Go to https://github.com/AceSwank/X-Hairs.git and download the zip file to an accessible location.

Unzip the file and the contents within. Once unzipped open the terminal and enter the following commands.

```
sudo mv sites/ /var/www/html
```

This command will move the files from their current location to where they will be hosted on the machine. If you wish to keep a copy of the files in their current location use cp instead of mv in the previous command as cp will only copy the files to that location.

Once you are done with that step enter the following into a browser to access the sites.

Secure site: http://server-ip-or-domain-name/Sites/Secure/XSS.html

Vulnerable site: http://server-ip-or-domain-name/Sites/vuln/XSS.html

The sites are configured and set up from this point. A potential issue that may come up is with the chat form site, if the apache does not have the proper permissions to write to the folder or file then it will be unable to store the messages that are entered. The quickest and easiest solution for this is to change the file permissions and allow apache to write to the file/folder or to allow any account to write to the file/folder. This is only acceptable in a testing environment and in a live environment stricter permissions will need to be enforced to accounts and files.