

Module 5

Assignment

Project Title: Web Application Security Assessment and SQL Injection Testing

Project Description:

In this project, students will apply their knowledge of web application security, databases, and SQL injection to assess and test the security of a vulnerable web application. They will simulate real-world scenarios by identifying and exploiting SQL injection vulnerabilities in a controlled environment.

Project Components:

Select a Vulnerable Web Application:

Choose a vulnerable web application that allows for SQL injection testing. You can find vulnerable web applications specifically designed for testing, such as Damn Vulnerable Web Application (DVWA).

Initial Assessment:

Begin with an initial assessment of the chosen web application to understand its functionality, features, and potential entry points for SQL injection.

SQL Injection Testing:

Perform various SQL injection tests on the selected web application, starting with basic SQL injection and gradually moving to more advanced techniques.

Explore different types of SQL injection vulnerabilities, such as blind SQL injection and time-based blind injection.

Hands-On Exploitation:

Document the steps to exploit SQL injection vulnerabilities discovered during testing.

Emphasize the potential risks associated with SQL injection, including data leakage and unauthorized access.

Automated Testing:

Use automated SQL injection testing tools like SQLMap or Havij to streamline the testing process.
Document the usage and results of the automated tools.

Authentication Bypass:

Explore SQL injection techniques for bypassing authentication mechanisms within the web application.
Discuss the implications of successful authentication bypass.

Parameter Tampering:

Investigate the use of SQL injection for parameter tampering with GET and POST requests.
Document findings and potential impact.

Reporting:

Create a detailed report of the SQL injection testing process.
Include descriptions of vulnerabilities, exploitation methods, and potential consequences.
Suggest remediation steps and best practices for secure coding.

Presentation:

Present the findings and insights from the SQL injection testing to the class or instructor.
Discuss the importance of web application security and the significance of SQL injection as a threat.

Project Benefits:

- Provides practical experience in identifying and exploiting SQL injection vulnerabilities.
- Reinforces knowledge of web application security principles.
- Demonstrates the importance of secure coding practices and input validation.
- Promotes ethical hacking skills and responsible disclosure.

- This project allows students to apply their theoretical knowledge of web application security and SQL injection in a hands-on and controlled environment. It also emphasizes the significance of secure coding practices and responsible disclosure of vulnerabilities, which are critical aspects of cybersecurity.