Kaustubh Rai

Application Security Engineer

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Summary

Cybersecurity specialist with a strong background in App Sec, Vuln Assessment, and Pentesting. Committed to continuous learning and growth, with active participation in industry events and CTF challenges

Experience

ContentStack

Associate Application Security Engineer

July 2022 - Present

- Conducted security testing encompassing VAPT, SAST, DAST, SCA, and Manual Code Review, enhancing the security posture of over 500+ RESTful and GraphQL APIs across ContentStack's suite of services
- **Developed** and implemented an **automated API security testing** protocol that reduced the testing cycle time by 40% which improved detection efficiency by 50%.
- Lead security auditor for 30+ applications on ContentStack's platforms. Vetting and ensuring the secure rollout of features across Marketplace, Launch, and Automation Hub ecosystems.

ContentStack

Technical Consultant

Feb 2022 - July 2022

- Led performance optimizations for ContentStack's CDN, achieving a 20% improvement in content delivery speed to global customers.
- Conducted **code reviews across 50,000+ LoC**, identifying and mitigating security vulnerabilities, which resulted in a 30% enhancement in platform security metrics.
- Designed and executed performance load tests, simulating up to 10x normal traffic, which helped identify and resolve critical performance bottlenecks, ensuring 99.9% uptime.

Education

Univerisity of Mumbai

Computer Engineering

2022 BTech

Projects

CVEdB (Common Vulnerabilities and Exploits Database) - Django

Platform to explain vulns, exploits, mitigation strategies, and addedthreat intelligence info, such as current risk levels, exploit prices, and prevention tips for SDLC

IMAGE AUTHENTICITY CHECKER — Python, TensorFlow, KERAS

Created an ML-based image verifer to detect alterations or filters applied to images and verify GPS location

No_Contact_WhatsApp — AWS Lambda, Serverless, Python, Telegram Bot

Developed a serverless Telegram bot on AWS Lambda for messaging on WhatsApp without saving contacts

Skills

Cloud & Monitoring: AWS WAF, Inspector, Data Dog, Splunk, SentinelOne

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DevOps & Tools: Linux, Docker, Kubernetes, VMware, Git, Postman, BurpSuite Security & Pentesting: Web/API Hacking, OWASP Top 10, Automation

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Development & Scripting: Python, Bash, PowerShell MongoDB, JavaScript

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Professional Development

PortSwigger Academy

Actively solving labs with detailed blog documentation of each lab.

TCM Security

Practical Ethical Hacking, Practical API Hacking,

Cybrary

Network Fundamentals, Comptia A+ 901AA, Comptia Network+

APISEC University

API Pentration Testing, OWASP API Security Top 10 and Beyond, API Security for PCI Compliance

Awards

1st Place in CypherHack Security Hackathon

FCRIT

made a Remote Automated Vulnerability Assessment tool using a Pi Device

2nd Runner up in Bug Bounty out of 50 teams

ContentStack

45th position out of 500 teams

RESETHACKER

12 hour RESTCON CTF

Publications

CVEdB

in International Journal of Advanced Research in Technology and Engineering