



**Air University**  
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Total Marks: 100

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Time: \_\_\_\_\_

Duration: **3 Hours**

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**Note:**

- Add a sticky note with your name and roll number on each screenshot/snippet.
- Submit your work in a Word document (.doc/.docx).
- Attempt all questions.
- Add a smiley at the end to earn 2 bonus marks.
- Stay calm — you've got this!

	Q. No. 1 (CLO 1)	30 Marks
a	<p><b>Static Code Analysis using Codacy</b></p> <p><b>Scenario:</b> You have joined the <b>software quality assurance team</b> for an <b>eCommerce Website project</b> developed using modern web technologies. The platform includes both <b>frontend and backend components</b>, with features such as user authentication, product listing, shopping cart, and order management.</p> <p>Your team lead has expressed concerns about the growing <b>technical debt</b>, inconsistent coding standards, and the presence of <b>untracked bugs and vulnerabilities</b> in the codebase. As part of the <b>secure development workflow</b>, you are required to conduct a <b>Static Code Analysis</b> using <b>Codacy</b> — a cloud-based tool that automates code reviews and highlights potential issues.</p> <p>A <b>zipped folder containing the project source code</b> has been provided to you. Your task is to follow the steps below:</p> <p><b>Push the Project to GitHub</b></p> <p>Unzip the folder and push the project to a new GitHub repository. Use the following commands in your terminal or Git Bash (adjust URLs and paths as needed):</p> <pre>git init git add . git commit -m "Initial commit of Ecommerce project" git branch -M main git remote add origin https://github.com/your-username/ ecommerce-static-analysis.git git push -u origin main</pre> <p>After pushing the project, log into Codacy at <a href="https://app.codacy.com">https://app.codacy.com</a>, authorize your GitHub account, and add the newly created repository for analysis.</p>	10

b	<p><b>Codacy Interface &amp; Tabs Explanation</b></p> <p>Once Codacy completes scanning your project, explore the following six tabs available in the interface:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Overview</li> <li>• Issues</li> <li>• Code Patterns</li> <li>• Coverage</li> <li>• Commits</li> <li>• Pull Requests</li> </ul> <p>For <b>each tab</b>, provide:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A brief explanation of what it shows</li> <li>• How the information helps in identifying code flaws, security risks, or poor practices</li> </ul>	10
c	<p><b>Identify and Address Vulnerabilities</b></p> <p>Codacy will highlight multiple issues and recommendations. Choose any <b>three</b> code issues or vulnerabilities and describe:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The type of issue (e.g., security, code duplication, complexity, maintainability)</li> <li>• The location/module in which it appears (e.g., messaging system, skill progress tracker, authentication)</li> <li>• A clear solution or fix, with reasoning behind your recommendation</li> </ul>	10
	<b>Q. No. 2 (CLO 2)</b>	<b>30 Marks</b>
a	<p><b>Dynamic Code Analysis using OWASP ZAP</b></p> <p><b>Scenario:</b> You are a cybersecurity intern assigned to perform a <b>vulnerability assessment</b> of three business-critical web applications that are part of your organization's partner ecosystem. These applications are publicly accessible and handle sensitive user data. Your task is to conduct analysis using <b>OWASP ZAP (Zed Attack Proxy)</b> to identify security flaws.</p> <p>These applications are intentionally vulnerable and designed for educational security testing purposes.</p> <p>Provided URLs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="https://owasp.org/www-project-webgoat/">https://owasp.org/www-project-webgoat/</a></li> <li>• <a href="https://google-gruyere.appspot.com/">https://google-gruyere.appspot.com/</a></li> <li>• <a href="http://testasp.vulnweb.com">http://testasp.vulnweb.com</a></li> </ul> <p>You are required to perform Dynamic Application Security Testing (DAST) on <b>any one</b> of the three websites listed above using OWASP ZAP.</p> <p><b>ZAP Interface Overview</b></p> <p>Before conducting the scan, explore and explain the main components of the OWASP ZAP interface. Your answer must include the following sections:</p>	15

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sites Panel</li> <li>• Request/Response Viewer</li> <li>• History Tab</li> <li>• Alerts Tab</li> <li>• Spider</li> <li>• Active Scan</li> </ul> <p>For each, briefly explain:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What the tab or section is used for</li> <li>• How it contributes to the vulnerability assessment process</li> </ul>	
b	<p><b>Vulnerability Scanning Using ZAP</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Choose any website from the list and perform a basic vulnerability scan using ZAP's Spider and Active Scan features.</li> <li>2. For each website: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Run the scan and observe the output in the Alerts tab.</li> <li>b. Identify and explain any three vulnerabilities or issues discovered. For each:</li> <li>c. Mention the type of vulnerability (e.g., XSS, Insecure Cookies, Information Disclosure)</li> </ol> </li> <li>3. Provide a brief explanation of how the vulnerability works</li> <li>4. Suggest a possible remediation or fix</li> <li>5. Optionally (for better marks), refer to specific HTTP requests/responses where the vulnerability was detected using the Request/Response Viewer.</li> </ol>	15
<b>Q. No. 3 (CLO 2)</b>		<b>30 Marks</b>
a	<p><b>Secure Form Enhancement Visual Studio Code</b></p> <p><b>Scenario:</b> You are provided with a simple healthcare contact website called <b>QuickCare Contact Portal</b>. The site includes a form where users can enter their personal information and message. However, the form currently lacks <b>basic security practices</b>, making it vulnerable to <b>unfiltered input</b>, <b>auto-fill abuse</b>, and <b>scripting risks</b>.</p> <p>Your task is to identify and fix the following security issues in the code and enhance the user experience and functionality of the contact form using Visual Studio Code.</p> <p><b>Update index.html – Add Validation and Placeholders</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Add appropriate placeholders for all input fields.</li> <li>• Use the correct input types (e.g., email, date) for better validation.</li> <li>• Add the required attribute to make inputs mandatory.</li> <li>• Add autocomplete="off" to fields like email and date of birth.</li> </ul>	10

b	<p><b>Update style.css – Apply Styling Enhancements</b></p> <p>In the style.css file, enhance the existing styles to make the form more visually appealing and user-friendly. Your tasks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Add a light background color to the page (e.g., #f5f5f5) and a white container for the form.</li> <li>• Apply a box-shadow to the form container to make it stand out.</li> <li>• Style the Submit button with: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ A custom background color</li> <li>○ Rounded corners</li> <li>○ A hover effect (e.g., change background on hover)</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Increase spacing between fields and labels for better readability.</li> </ul>	10
c	<p><b>Update script.js – Sanitize Inputs and Display Feedback</b></p> <p>In script.js, implement <b>client-side validation</b> to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Prevent submission if any field contains <b>script tags</b> or suspicious input (e.g., &lt;, &gt;).</li> <li>• Show an error message if invalid content is found.</li> <li>• Allow submission only if inputs are clean.</li> </ul> <p><b>Note: Do not add or remove files. Make changes only in the provided files. Ensure your code runs correctly by previewing the form in your browser.</b></p>	10
	<b>Q. No. 4 (CLO 2)</b>	<b>10 Marks</b>
a	Draw diagram to explain the difference between the Docker and Virtualization	10

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