

Assignment 5 – Security

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Question 1

SQL Function for safe course:

```
CREATE OR REPLACE FUNCTION safe_course(type VARCHAR(8))
RETURNS TABLE (
    course_id VARCHAR(5),
    title VARCHAR(50),
    dept_name VARCHAR(20),
    credits NUMERIC(2,0)
)
LANGUAGE sql AS
$$
SELECT course_id, title, dept_name, credits
FROM course
WHERE course.course_id = type
AND dept_name != 'Biology';
$$;
```

Question 2

Method for safe composed queries:

```
// safeComposedQuery()
// Get dynamic part from user,
// then compose dynamic and static part,
// and send query to db
1 reference
virtual public void safeComposedQuery() {
    // defining the query
    string sql = "select * from safe_course(@type)";
    Console.Write("Please type name of a course name: ");
    string? user_defined = Console.ReadLine();

    // printing query string to console
    Console.WriteLine("Query to be executed: select * from safe_course(@user_defined)");
    Console.WriteLine(user_defined);

    // executing query with parameter
    client.query(sql, "@type", user_defined);
}
```

Question 3

The composed query – with 'OR true --

Please type id of a course: ' OR true --
Query to be executed: select * from course where course_id = '' OR true --' and dept_name != 'Biology'

course_id	title	dept_name	credits
BIO-101	Intro. to Biology	Biology	4
BIO-301	Genetics	Biology	4
BIO-399	Computational Biology	Biology	3
CS-101	Intro. to Computer Science	Comp. Sci.	4
CS-190	Game Design	Comp. Sci.	4
CS-315	Robotics	Comp. Sci.	3
CS-319	Image Processing	Comp. Sci.	3
CS-347	Database System Concepts	Comp. Sci.	3
EE-181	Intro. to Digital Systems	Elec. Eng.	3
FIN-201	Investment Banking	Finance	3
HIS-351	World History	History	3
MU-199	Music Video Production	Music	3
PHY-101	Physical Principles	Physics	4

(13 rows)

The safe composed query – with 'OR true --

Please type name of a course name: ' OR true --
Query to be executed: select * from safe_course(@user_defined)' OR true --Query/3: select * from safe_course(@type) with @type = ' OR true --
course_id | title | dept_name | credits
(0 rows)

Question 4

Check for password length to be over eight characters and the username is not in the password

```
1 reference
public virtual bool passwordIsOK(string password, string username) {
    if (password.Length <= 8) {
        return false;
    }
    if (password.Contains(username)) {
        return false;
    }
    return true;
}
```

Question 5

Number of iterations, 1000

```
2 references
private string hashSHA256(string password, string saltstring) {
    byte[] hashinput = Encoding.UTF8.GetBytes(saltstring + password);
    byte[] hashoutput = iteratedSha256(hashinput, 1000);
    return Convert.ToHexString(hashoutput);
}
```

Question 6

Yes, it is vulnerable to SQL injection.

```
// Question 6: Yes, the method sqlInsertUserRecord() is vulnerable to SQL injection attacks.  
// because the method concatenates strings to form the SQL query.  
// An attacker could insert a string that would change the meaning of the query.  
// Consider, parameteized queries instead.  
1 reference  
virtual public string sqlInsertUserRecord(string username, string salt, string hashedpassword) {  
    return "insert into password values ("  
        + "'" + username + ","  
        + "'" + salt + ","  
        + "'" + hashedpassword + "  
        + ")";  
}
```