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# Python static code analysis

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Functions should not have too many lines of code
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Statements should be on separate lines
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Functions should not contain too many return statements
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Lines should not be too long
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Methods and properties that don't access instance data should be static
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New-style classes should be used
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Parentheses should not be used after certain keywords
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Track "TODO" and "FIXME" comments that do not contain a reference to a person
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Module names should comply with a naming convention

HTTP response headers should not be vulnerable to injection attacks

Analyze your code

Vulnerability

Critical

injection

User-provided data, such as URL parameters, POST data payloads, or cookies, should always be considered untrusted and tainted. Applications constructing HTTP response headers based on tainted data could allow attackers to change security sensitive headers like Cross-Origin Resource Sharing headers.

Web application frameworks and servers might also allow attackers to inject new line characters in headers to craft malformed HTTP response. In this case the application would be vulnerable to a larger range of attacks like HTTP Response Splitting/Smuggling. Most of the time this type of attack is mitigated by default modern web application frameworks but there might be rare cases where older versions are still vulnerable.

As a best practice, applications that use user-provided data to construct the response header should always validate the data first. Validation should be based on a whitelist.

Noncompliant Code Example

Flask

```
from flask import Response, request
from werkzeug.datastructures import Headers

@app.route('/route')
def route():
    content_type = request.args["Content-Type"]
    response = Response()
    headers = Headers()
    headers.add("Content-Type", content_type) # Noncomp
    response.headers = headers
    return response
```






Django

```
import django.http

def route(request):
    content_type = request.GET.get("Content-Type")
    response = django.http.HttpResponse()
    response.__setitem__('Content-Type', content_type)
    return response
```

Compliant Solution

Flask

 Code Smell
Comments should not be located at the end of lines of code  Code Smell
Lines should not end with trailing whitespaces  Code Smell
Files should contain an empty newline at the end  Code Smell
Long suffix "L" should be upper case  Code Smell

```

from flask import Response, request
from werkzeug.datastructures import Headers
import re

@app.route('/route')
def route():
    content_type = request.args["Content-Type"]
    allowed_content_types = r'application/(pdf|json|xml)'
    response = Response()
    headers = Headers()
    if re.match(allowed_content_types, content_type):
        headers.add("Content-Type", content_type) # Correct
    else:
        headers.add("Content-Type", "application/json")
    response.headers = headers
    return response

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#### See

- [OWASP Top 10 2021 Category A3](#) - Injection
- [OWASP Attack Category](#) - HTTP Response Splitting
- [MITRE, CWE-20](#) - Improper Input Validation
- [MITRE, CWE-113](#) - Improper Neutralization of CRLF Sequences in HTTP Headers ('HTTP Response Splitting')
- [SANS Top 25](#) - Insecure Interaction Between Components

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