

Technical & Cybersecurity Documentation for the User Data
Capture PDF System

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1 Introduction & Overview

1.1 Purpose and Context

This document provides a comprehensive technical report and forensic analysis of a system designed to capture client-side data at the time of a PDF download. The system—implemented in `app(3).py`—is tailored for scenarios such as investigating internal harassment within an organization. It captures browser metadata and other client data, logs the information securely, and generates a PDF with embedded, hidden data for further verification.

1.2 System Overview

The system workflow can be summarized as follows:

- **Client-side:** A browser-based HTML/JavaScript form collects detailed data including screen properties, user-agent, canvas fingerprints, and timing metrics.
- **Server-side:** A Flask application processes the form data, enriches it with geolocation data (via `ipinfo.io`), logs the details, and generates a PDF document using ReportLab.
- **PDF Generation:** The PDF includes fake content created with Faker, an image with hidden encrypted data (via steganography), and embedded JavaScript callbacks for token verification.

1.3 Objectives and Scope

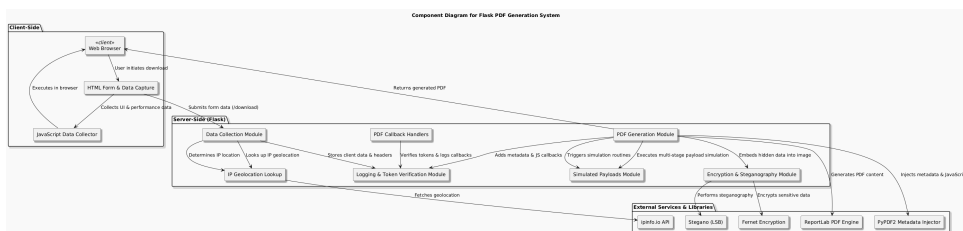
The report details every functional component of the system:

1. Data capture and logging.
2. Secure PDF generation with hidden data.
3. Encryption and steganography methods.
4. Verification and callback mechanisms.
5. Cybersecurity considerations and forensic analysis.

2 System Architecture

2.1 Overall Architecture Diagram

Diagram:



2.1.1 Description of Components

Client	Runs an HTML/JavaScript form that gathers client data.
Browser:	Divided into several modules: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Data Collection: Extracts client data and performs geolocation lookup. • PDF Generation: Uses ReportLab and Faker to build the PDF. • Encryption & Steganography: Encrypts user data with Fernet and hides it in an image using LSB techniques. • Logging & Token Verification: Logs data securely and verifies tokens via callbacks. • Simulated Payloads: Demonstrates multi-stage payloads and DLL injection (for demonstration purposes). • PDF Callback Handlers: Manage embedded JavaScript callbacks.
Flask Server:	
External Services & Libraries:	Includes ipinfo.io API, ReportLab, PyPDF2, Fernet, and Stegano.

2.2 Module Grouping and Cybersecurity Considerations

Modules are grouped into Client, Server, and External Services. Each component is designed to ensure data integrity, secure logging, and forensic traceability. Notes within the diagram highlight key interactions, such as data flow from the browser to the data collection module.

3 Data Collection & Logging

3.1 Client-Side Data Capture

The system captures various client details:

- Screen dimensions, color and pixel depth.
- Browser language, platform, and connection type.
- Timing metrics including page load time, click time, and dwell time.
- Advanced details like canvas fingerprint, hardware concurrency, device memory, and plugins.

3.1.1 Mechanism

Data is collected via JavaScript and stored in hidden form fields before being submitted to the server.

Pseudocode Example:

```

1 onFormSubmit:
2     capture(screen.width, screen.height, screen.colorDepth, ...)
3     capture(navigator.language, navigator.platform, ...)
4     sendDataViaPOST('/download', form_data)

```

Listing 1: Client-side Data Capture Pseudocode

3.2 Server-Side Data Logging

Upon receiving data, the Flask server:

- Extracts the IP address (from headers and remote address).
- Logs the user agent, cookies, and TLS metadata.
- Performs geolocation lookup using the ipinfo.io API.
- Writes detailed logs (with timestamps) to `user_logs.log`.

Pseudocode Example:

```
1 function collect_data(request):
2     ip = extract_ip(request.headers)
3     user_agent = request.headers['User-Agent']
4     client_data = extract_form_data(request.form)
5     geo_data = get_geolocation(ip)
6     log_data = { ip, user_agent, client_data, geo_data }
7     write_log(log_data)
8     return log_data
```

Listing 2: Server Data Logging Pseudocode

Forensic Note: Secure storage of these logs is essential for audit trails in investigations.

4 PDF Generation Process

4.1 Fake Content Generation

The system uses the Faker library to generate fake content:

- Fake names, addresses, and paragraphs are used to populate the PDF.
- This approach obfuscates the real user data while maintaining a realistic document structure.

4.2 PDF Document Construction

Using ReportLab, the system builds the PDF document:

- A title and several paragraphs of fake content are added.
- An image is embedded that carries hidden data.

Pseudocode Example:

```
1 function generate_pdf(logged_data):
2     initialize_pdf_document()
3     add_title("Fake PDF Document")
4     add_paragraph("Name: " + fake_name)
5     add_paragraph("Address: " + fake_address)
6     add_paragraph("Additional Info: " + fake_text)
7     image = embed_data_in_image(logged_data)
8     insert_image(image)
9     token = generate_token()
10    add_verification_link(token)
11    add_metadata_and_js(logged_data, token)
```

```
12 return pdf_document, token
```

Listing 3: PDF Generation Pseudocode

4.3 Embedding Hidden Data

The system embeds hidden data into an image using steganography:

- Data is first encrypted using the Fernet encryption algorithm.
- The encrypted data is then hidden within a base image using the LSB method.

Pseudocode Example:

```
1 function embed_data_in_image(data):
2     encrypted_data = encrypt(data)
3     stego_image = hide_data_in_image(encrypted_data)
4     return stego_image
```

Listing 4: Embedding Hidden Data Pseudocode

5 Steganography & Encryption

5.1 Encryption Techniques

User data is encrypted using the Fernet module. The encryption process involves:

- Converting user data (in JSON format) to a byte stream.
- Encrypting the byte stream to produce a secure cipher text.

Pseudocode Example:

```
1 function encrypt(data):
2     json_data = json_encode(data)
3     return Fernet.encrypt(json_data)
```

Listing 5: Fernet Encryption Pseudocode

5.2 Steganography Methodology

The steganography process hides the encrypted data within an image:

- A base image is prepared (e.g., a 500x500 white image).
- The encrypted data is embedded using the least significant bit (LSB) method.

Pseudocode Example:

```
1 function hide_data_in_image(encrypted_data):
2     load_base_image()
3     apply_lsb(encrypted_data)
4     return modified_image
```

Listing 6: Steganography Pseudocode

5.3 Security Considerations

- The combination of encryption and steganography ensures that the hidden data is robust against casual inspection.
- Proper key management and secure logging practices help maintain forensic integrity.

6 Verification & Callback Mechanisms

6.1 Token Generation and Verification

A unique token is generated upon PDF creation:

- The token is stored alongside the logged data.
- It is later verified when the PDF's embedded JavaScript triggers callbacks.

Pseudocode Example:

```
1 token = generate_uuid()
2 store_token(token, logged_data)
```

Listing 7: Token Generation Pseudocode

6.2 Embedded JavaScript Callbacks

When the PDF is opened, embedded JavaScript code:

- Sends GET requests to callback endpoints (*/pdf_callback* and

Pseudocode Example:

```
1 // Within PDF JavaScript
2 if (XMLHttpRequest available):
3     send GET request to /pdf_callback?data=hidden_message
4     send GET request to /pdf_callback_stage2?token=token
```

Listing 8: PDF Callback Pseudocode

6.3 Forensic Relevance

These callbacks ensure that:

- Every access to the PDF is logged and traceable.
- The system maintains an audit trail necessary for forensic investigations, particularly in cases involving harassment.

7 Security & Simulated Payloads

7.1 Simulated Multi-Stage Payload

For demonstration purposes, the system simulates a multi-stage payload process:

- Logs an initial payload stage.
- Logs a secondary stage with additional information.

Pseudocode Example:

```

1 function simulate_multi_stage_payload(data):
2     stage = "initial"
3     log(stage, data)
4     stage = "secondary"
5     log(stage, "Additional stage executed")
6     return stage_details

```

Listing 9: Simulated Payload Pseudocode

7.2 Simulated DLL Injection

A dummy function demonstrates DLL injection for testing:

- The function logs that a DLL injection was simulated.

Pseudocode Example:

```

1 function simulate_dll_injection():
2     log("DLL injection simulated")
3     return "DLL injection simulated"

```

Listing 10: Simulated DLL Injection Pseudocode

7.3 Risk Assessment and Mitigation

- **Risks:** Unauthorized data capture, tampering with logs or PDF metadata.
- **Mitigations:** Secure log storage, token-based verification, regular audits, and adherence to forensic best practices.

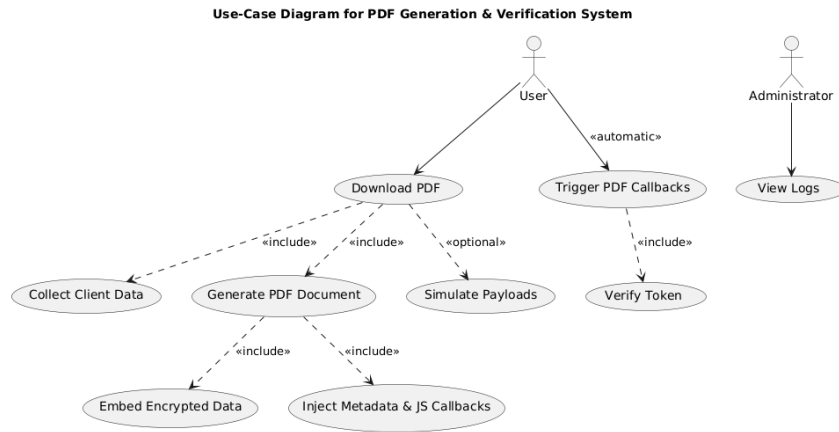
8 Use-Case & Interaction Diagrams

8.1 Use-Case Diagram

Actors and Use Cases:

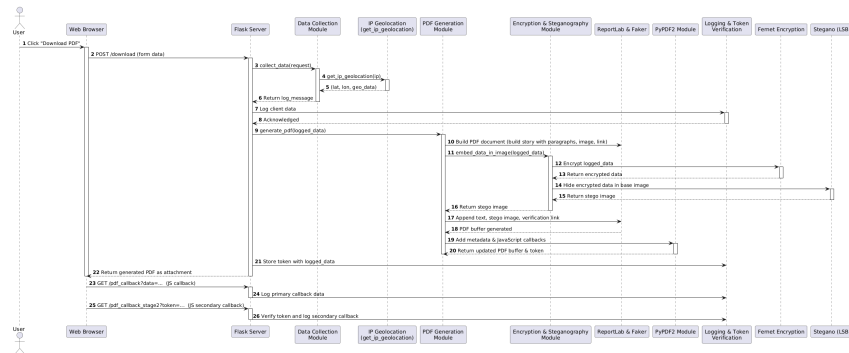
- **End User (Harasser):** Initiates the PDF download.
- **Administrator/Forensics Analyst:** Views logs and verifies tokens.

Diagram:



8.2 Sequence Diagram

Illustrates the detailed interactions from form submission to callback processing. **Diagram:**



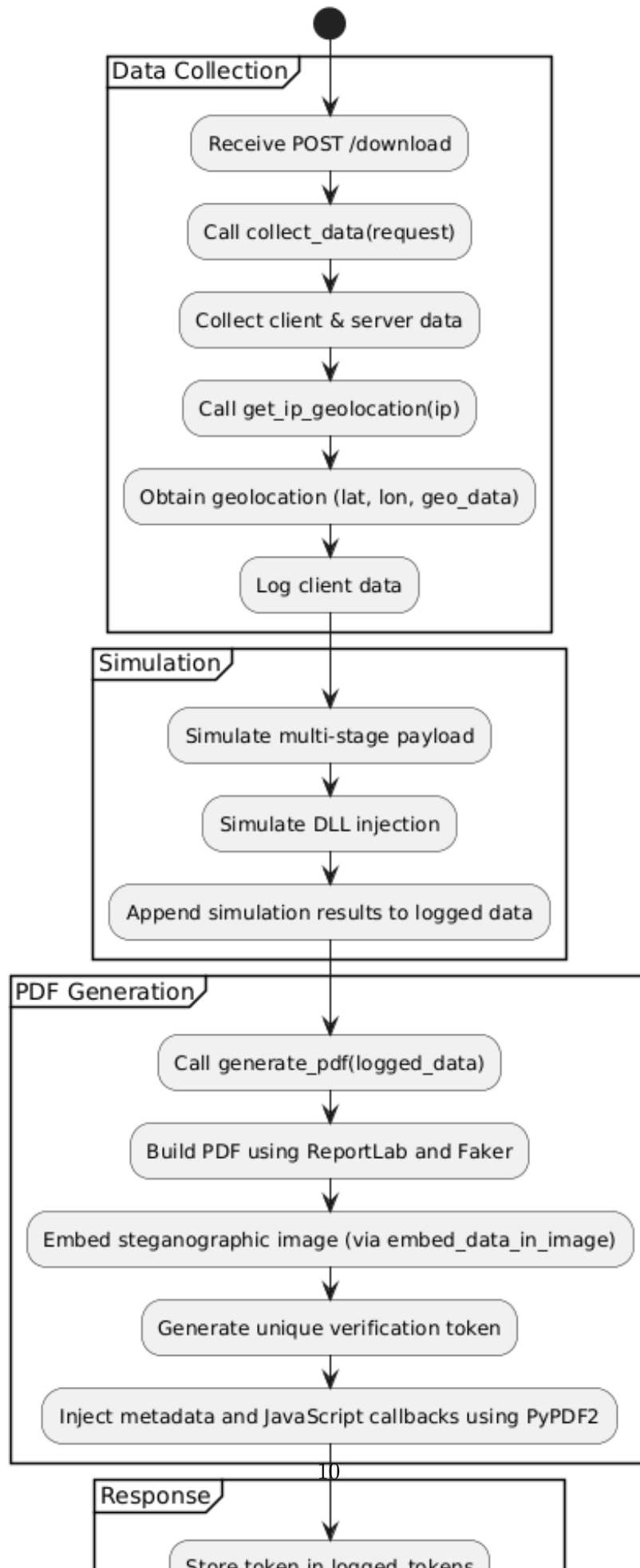
8.3 Activity Diagram

Depicts the internal workflow:

- Data Collection
- PDF Processing
- Verification

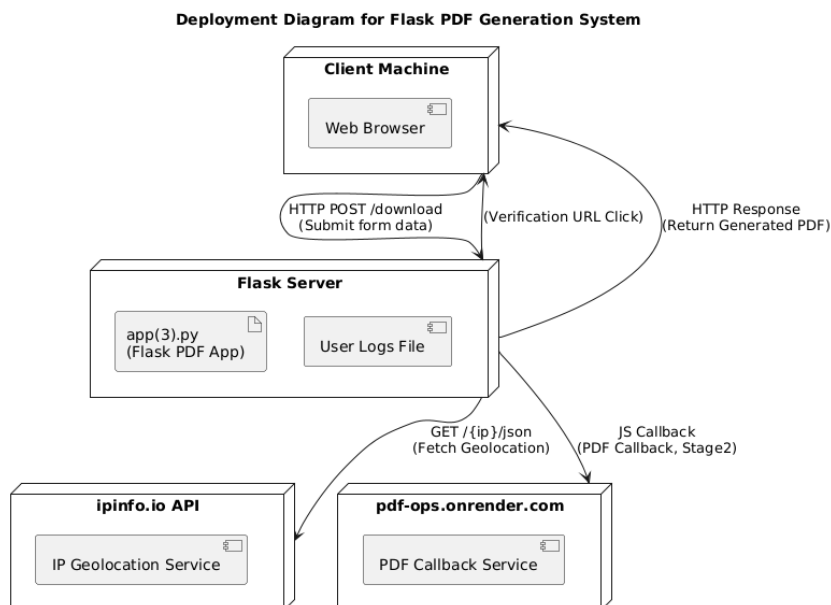
Diagram:

Activity Diagram for PDF Generation Process



8.4 Deployment Diagram (Optional)

Shows the physical deployment: **Diagram:**



9 Forensic & Cybersecurity Analysis

9.1 Forensic Data Handling

- **Chain-of-Custody:** Logs and captured data are maintained with integrity for potential legal proceedings.
- **Data Integrity:** Secure storage and timestamped logs ensure that the evidence remains unaltered.

9.2 Compliance and Legal Considerations

- Compliance with internal policies and privacy laws.
- Specific mention of the system's use in investigating harassment within the organization.

9.3 Cybersecurity Posture

- **Threat Modeling:** Identification of potential vulnerabilities and corresponding mitigations.
- **Audit and Monitoring:** Recommendations for continuous monitoring and periodic audits.

10 Conclusion & Future Enhancements

10.1 Summary of System Strengths

- Secure, multi-layered approach from data capture to PDF generation.

- Robust encryption and steganography techniques ensuring forensic readiness.
- Comprehensive logging and callback verification for audit trails.

10.2 Areas for Improvement

- Enhanced error handling and real-time notifications.
- Integration with SIEM systems for advanced threat detection.
- Further hardening of PDF metadata and callback processes.

10.3 Future Directions

- Scalability improvements and additional security measures.
- Extended forensic analysis capabilities and automated auditing.

11 Appendix

11.1 Source Code Listing: app(3).py

Below is the complete source code for app(3).py:

```
1 from flask import Flask, request, render_template_string, send_file
2 import logging
3 import json
4 import os
5 import requests
6 import base64
7 import uuid
8 from faker import Faker
9 from io import BytesIO
10 from reportlab.pdfgen import canvas
11 from reportlab.lib.pagesizes import letter
12 from reportlab.platypus import SimpleDocTemplate, Paragraph, Image
13 from reportlab.lib.styles import getSampleStyleSheet
14 from cryptography.fernet import Fernet
15 from stegano import lsb
16 from PIL import Image as PILImage
17 import PyPDF2
18
19 app = Flask(__name__)
20
21 # Configure logging to a file
22 logging.basicConfig(
23     level=logging.INFO,
24     filename='user_logs.log',
25     format='%(asctime)s - %(levelname)s - %(message)s'
26 )
27
28 # Initialize Faker for generating fake PDF content
29 fake = Faker()
30
31 # Encryption key (in production, store securely, e.g., environment variable)
```

```
32 ENCRYPTION_KEY = Fernet.generate_key()
33 CIPHER = Fernet(ENCRYPTION_KEY)
34
35 # Store tokens for verification
36 logged_tokens = {}
37
38 def get_hidden_message(data):
39     """Return the hidden message wrapped with markers."""
40     encoded = base64.b64encode(json.dumps(data).encode()).decode()
41     return "<<BASE64 START>>" + encoded + "<<BASE64 END>>"
42
43 def get_ip_geolocation(ip):
44     """Fetch geolocation data from ipinfo.io."""
45     try:
46         response = requests.get(f"https://ipinfo.io/{ip}/json")
47         if response.status_code == 200:
48             data = response.json()
49             loc = data.get("loc", "").split(",")
50             if loc and len(loc) == 2:
51                 return float(loc[0]), float(loc[1]), data
52             else:
53                 return None, None, data
54     except Exception as e:
55         logging.error(f"IP Geolocation error: {e}")
56     return None, None, {}
57
58 def collect_data(req):
59     """Collect client-side and server-side data."""
60     ip_header = req.headers.get('X-Forwarded-For', req.remote_addr)
61     ip = ip_header.split(",")[0].strip() if ip_header else req.remote_addr
62     user_agent = req.headers.get('User-Agent', 'unknown')
63     cookies = req.cookies
64     tls_metadata = req.environ.get('wsgi.url_scheme')
65
66     client_data = {
67         'screenWidth': req.form.get('screenWidth'),
68         'screenHeight': req.form.get('screenHeight'),
69         'colorDepth': req.form.get('colorDepth'),
70         'pixelDepth': req.form.get('pixelDepth'),
71         'language': req.form.get('language'),
72         'platform': req.form.get('platform'),
73         'connection': req.form.get('connection'),
74         'pageLoadTime': req.form.get('pageLoadTime'),
75         'clickTime': req.form.get('clickTime'),
76         'dwellTime': req.form.get('dwellTime'),
77         'lastMouseX': req.form.get('lastMouseX'),
78         'lastMouseY': req.form.get('lastMouseY'),
79         'referrer': req.form.get('referrer'),
80         'canvasFingerprint': req.form.get('canvasFingerprint'),
81         'hardwareConcurrency': req.form.get('hardwareConcurrency'),
82         'deviceMemory': req.form.get('deviceMemory'),
83         'timezoneOffset': req.form.get('timezoneOffset'),
84         'touchSupport': req.form.get('touchSupport'),
```

```

85     'batteryLevel': req.form.get('batteryLevel'),
86     'charging': req.form.get('charging'),
87     'downlink': req.form.get('downlink'),
88     'plugins': req.form.get('plugins')
89 }
90
91 lat, lon, geo_data = get_ip_geolocation(ip)
92 client_data['latitude'] = lat if lat is not None else ""
93 client_data['longitude'] = lon if lon is not None else ""
94 client_data['ip_geolocation'] = geo_data
95
96 log_message = {
97     'ip': ip,
98     'user_agent': user_agent,
99     'action': 'Downloaded PDF',
100    'client_data': client_data,
101    'request_headers': dict(req.headers),
102    'cookies': cookies,
103    'tls_metadata': tls_metadata
104 }
105 return log_message
106
107 def embed_data_in_image(data):
108     """Embed encrypted data in an image using steganography."""
109     encrypted_data = CIPHER.encrypt(json.dumps(data).encode())
110     # Create a larger base image (500x500) for more capacity.
111     base_img = PILImage.new('RGB', (500, 500), color='white')
112     temp_path = 'temp_base.png'
113     base_img.save(temp_path)
114     stego_img = lsb.hide(temp_path, encrypted_data)
115     os.remove(temp_path)
116     return stego_img
117
118 def simulate_multi_stage_payload(data):
119     """Simulate multi-stage payload delivery (for demonstration only)."""
120     logging.info("Simulating multi-stage payload delivery with data: " + json.
121     dumps(data))
122     stage_payload = {"stage": "initial", "info": "Initial payload delivered"}
123     # Simulate a secondary stage
124     stage_payload["stage"] = "secondary"
125     stage_payload["info"] = "Additional stage executed"
126     logging.info("Simulated multi-stage payload: " + json.dumps(stage_payload))
127     return stage_payload
128
129 def simulate_dll_injection():
130     """Simulate a DLL injection (for demonstration only)."""
131     logging.info("Simulated DLL injection executed (defensive demonstration
132     only)")
133     return "DLL injection simulated"
134
135 def generate_pdf(logged_data):
136     """Generate a PDF with fake content and embedded steganographic data.
137     Afterwards, add custom metadata and embedded JavaScript callbacks via

```

```

PyPDF2."""
136 # Build PDF using Platypus
137 buffer = BytesIO()
138 doc = SimpleDocTemplate(buffer, pagesize=letter)
139 styles = getSampleStyleSheet()
140 story = []
141
142 # Fake content
143 story.append(Paragraph("Fake PDF Document", styles['Title']))
144 story.append(Paragraph(f"Name: {fake.name()}", styles['Normal']))
145 address = fake.address().replace('\n', ', ')
146 story.append(Paragraph(f"Address: {address}", styles['Normal']))
147 story.append(Paragraph("Additional Info:", styles['Normal']))
148 story.append(Paragraph(fake.text(max_nb_chars=200), styles['Normal']))
149
150 # Embed data in an image using steganography
151 stego_img = embed_data_in_image(logged_data)
152 img_buffer = BytesIO()
153 stego_img.save(img_buffer, format='PNG')
154 img_buffer.seek(0)
155 story.append(Image(img_buffer, width=100, height=100))
156
157 # Verification link with unique token
158 token = str(uuid.uuid4())
159 verification_link = f"https://pdf-ops.onrender.com/verify?token={token}"
160 story.append(Paragraph(f>Please <a href='{verification_link}'>click here</a>
> to thank our services.", styles['Normal']))
161
162 doc.build(story)
163 buffer.seek(0)
164
165 # Now add extra metadata and JavaScript via PyPDF2.
166 hidden_message = get_hidden_message(logged_data)
167 reversed_token = token[::-1]
168
169 pdf_reader = PyPDF2.PdfReader(buffer)
170 pdf_writer = PyPDF2.PdfWriter()
171 for page in pdf_reader.pages:
172     pdf_writer.add_page(page)
173 # Add custom metadata containing the hidden message.
174 pdf_writer.add_metadata({'/HiddenData': hidden_message})
175
176 # Embed JavaScript callbacks without alerting the user.
177 js_code = f"""
178 // Primary callback: send hidden message to the server.
179 if (typeof XMLHttpRequest !== 'undefined') {{
180     try {{
181         var req1 = new XMLHttpRequest();
182         req1.open("GET", "https://pdf-ops.onrender.com/pdf_callback?data="
+ encodeURIComponent("{hidden_message}")", true);
183         req1.send();
184     }} catch(e) {{}}
185 }}

```

```
186 // Secondary callback: send the reversed token (which is reversed back) to
187 a second endpoint.
188 var reversedToken = "{reversed_token}";
189 var token = reversedToken.split("").reverse().join("");
190 if (typeof XMLHttpRequest !== 'undefined') {{
191     try {{
192         var req2 = new XMLHttpRequest();
193         req2.open("GET", "https://pdf-ops.onrender.com/pdf_callback_stage2?
194 token=" + encodeURIComponent(token), true);
195         req2.send();
196     }} catch(e) {{}}
197 }}
198 ""
199 pdf_writer.add_js(js_code)
200
201 new_buffer = BytesIO()
202 pdf_writer.write(new_buffer)
203 new_buffer.seek(0)
204 return new_buffer, token
205
206 HTML_PAGE = ""
207 <!DOCTYPE html>
208 <html>
209 <head>
210     <meta charset="UTF-8">
211     <title>Download PDF</title>
212     <style>
213         body {
214             font-family: Arial, sans-serif;
215             text-align: center;
216             margin-top: 100px;
217             background-color: #f2f2f2;
218         }
219         h1 { color: #333; }
220         button {
221             padding: 15px 30px;
222             font-size: 18px;
223             background-color: #4CAF50;
224             color: white;
225             border: none;
226             border-radius: 5px;
227             cursor: pointer;
228         }
229         button:hover { background-color: #45a049; }
230     </style>
231 </head>
232 <body>
233     <h1>Click to Download PDF and Log Your Data</h1>
234     <form id="downloadForm" action="/download" method="post">
235         <button type="submit">Download PDF</button>
236         <input type="hidden" name="screenWidth" id="screenWidth">
237         <input type="hidden" name="screenHeight" id="screenHeight">
238         <input type="hidden" name="colorDepth" id="colorDepth">
```



```
237 <input type="hidden" name="pixelDepth" id="pixelDepth">
238 <input type="hidden" name="language" id="language">
239 <input type="hidden" name="platform" id="platform">
240 <input type="hidden" name="connection" id="connection">
241 <input type="hidden" name="pageLoadTime" id="pageLoadTime">
242 <input type="hidden" name="clickTime" id="clickTime">
243 <input type="hidden" name="dwellTime" id="dwellTime">
244 <input type="hidden" name="lastMouseX" id="lastMouseX">
245 <input type="hidden" name="lastMouseY" id="lastMouseY">
246 <input type="hidden" name="referrer" id="referrer">
247 <input type="hidden" name="canvasFingerprint" id="canvasFingerprint">
248 <input type="hidden" name="hardwareConcurrency" id="hardwareConcurrency
">
249 <input type="hidden" name="deviceMemory" id="deviceMemory">
250 <input type="hidden" name="timezoneOffset" id="timezoneOffset">
251 <input type="hidden" name="touchSupport" id="touchSupport">
252 <input type="hidden" name="batteryLevel" id="batteryLevel">
253 <input type="hidden" name="charging" id="charging">
254 <input type="hidden" name="downlink" id="downlink">
255 <input type="hidden" name="plugins" id="plugins">
256 </form>
257 <br>
258 <a href="/logs">View Logged Data</a>
259 <script>
260     var pageLoadTime = Date.now();
261     document.getElementById('pageLoadTime').value = pageLoadTime;
262     var lastMouseX = 0, lastMouseY = 0;
263     document.addEventListener('mousemove', function(e) {
264         lastMouseX = e.clientX;
265         lastMouseY = e.clientY;
266     });
267     function gatherExtraData(callback) {
268         var canvas = document.createElement("canvas");
269         var ctx = canvas.getContext("2d");
270         ctx.textBaseline = "top";
271         ctx.font = "14px Arial";
272         ctx.fillStyle = "#f60";
273         ctx.fillRect(125, 1, 62, 20);
274         ctx.fillStyle = "#069";
275         ctx.fillText("Hello, world!", 2, 15);
276         document.getElementById('canvasFingerprint').value = canvas.
toDataURL();
277         document.getElementById('hardwareConcurrency').value = navigator.
hardwareConcurrency || '';
278         document.getElementById('deviceMemory').value = navigator.
deviceMemory || '';
279         document.getElementById('timezoneOffset').value = new Date().
getTimezoneOffset();
280         document.getElementById('touchSupport').value = ('ontouchstart' in
window) ? true : false;
281         if (navigator.plugins) {
282             var plugins = Array.from(navigator.plugins).map(function(p) {
return p.name; });
```

```
283         document.getElementById('plugins').value = plugins.join(', ');
284     } else {
285         document.getElementById('plugins').value = '';
286     }
287     if (navigator.connection && navigator.connection.downlink) {
288         document.getElementById('downlink').value = navigator.
connection.downlink;
289     } else {
290         document.getElementById('downlink').value = '';
291     }
292     if (navigator.getBattery) {
293         navigator.getBattery().then(function(battery) {
294             document.getElementById('batteryLevel').value = battery.
level;
295             document.getElementById('charging').value = battery.
charging;
296             callback();
297         }).catch(function(error) {
298             document.getElementById('batteryLevel').value = '';
299             document.getElementById('charging').value = '';
300             callback();
301         });
302     } else {
303         document.getElementById('batteryLevel').value = '';
304         document.getElementById('charging').value = '';
305         callback();
306     }
307 }
308 document.getElementById('downloadForm').addEventListener('submit',
function(e) {
309     e.preventDefault();
310     document.getElementById('screenWidth').value = screen.width;
311     document.getElementById('screenHeight').value = screen.height;
312     document.getElementById('colorDepth').value = screen.colorDepth;
313     document.getElementById('pixelDepth').value = screen.pixelDepth;
314     document.getElementById('language').value = navigator.language;
315     document.getElementById('platform').value = navigator.platform;
316     if (navigator.connection && navigator.connection.effectiveType) {
317         document.getElementById('connection').value = navigator.
connection.effectiveType;
318     } else {
319         document.getElementById('connection').value = '';
320     }
321     document.getElementById('referrer').value = document.referrer;
322     var clickTime = Date.now();
323     document.getElementById('clickTime').value = clickTime;
324     document.getElementById('dwellTime').value = clickTime -
pageLoadTime;
325     document.getElementById('lastMouseX').value = lastMouseX;
326     document.getElementById('lastMouseY').value = lastMouseY;
327     gatherExtraData(function() {
328         e.target.submit();
329     });
```

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330     });
331     </script>
332 </body>
333 </html>
334 """
335
336 @app.route('/')
337 def index():
338     return render_template_string(HTML_PAGE)
339
340 @app.route('/download', methods=['POST'])
341 def download():
342     logged_data = collect_data(request)
343     logging.info(json.dumps(logged_data))
344
345     multi_stage_result = simulate_multi_stage_payload(logged_data)
346     dll_injection_result = simulate_dll_injection()
347     logged_data["simulation"] = {
348         "multi_stage": multi_stage_result,
349         "dll_injection": dll_injection_result
350     }
351
352     pdf_buffer, token = generate_pdf(logged_data)
353     logged_tokens[token] = logged_data
354
355     return send_file(pdf_buffer, as_attachment=True, download_name='sample.pdf',
356                     , mimetype='application/pdf')
357
358 @app.route('/verify', methods=['GET'])
359 def verify():
360     token = request.args.get('token')
361     if token in logged_tokens:
362         logging.info(f"PDF opened for token: {token} - Data: {json.dumps(
363             logged_tokens[token])}")
364         del logged_tokens[token]
365         return "Thank you!", 200
366     return "Invalid token", 400
367
368 @app.route('/pdf_callback', methods=['GET'])
369 def pdf_callback():
370     hidden_data = request.args.get('data', '')
371     logging.info("Primary PDF callback triggered with data: " + hidden_data)
372     return "Primary callback logged", 200
373
374 @app.route('/pdf_callback_stage2', methods=['GET'])
375 def pdf_callback_stage2():
376     token = request.args.get('token', '')
377     if token in logged_tokens:
378         logging.info(f"Stage2 callback: Token {token} verified with data: {json
379             .dumps(logged_tokens[token])}")
380         return "Stage2 callback logged", 200
381     return "Invalid token", 400
```

```
380 @app.route('/logs')
381 def display_logs():
382     try:
383         with open('user_logs.log', 'r') as f:
384             logs = f.read()
385     except Exception as e:
386         logs = f"Error reading log file: {e}"
387
388     logs_html = """
389     <!DOCTYPE html>
390     <html>
391     <head>
392         <meta charset="UTF-8">
393         <title>User Logs</title>
394         <style>
395             body { font-family: Arial, sans-serif; margin: 20px; background-
396             color: #f9f9f9; }
397             h1 { color: #333; }
398             pre { background: #eee; padding: 15px; border-radius: 5px; overflow
399             : auto; }
400             </style>
401         </head>
402         <body>
403             <h1>User Logs</h1>
404             <pre>{{ logs }}</pre>
405         </body>
406     </html>
407     """
408     return render_template_string(logs_html, logs=logs)
409
410 @app.route('/simulate')
411 def simulate():
412     return "Simulation endpoint", 200
413
414 if __name__ == '__main__':
415     port = int(os.environ.get("PORT", 5000))
416     app.run(debug=True, host="0.0.0.0", port=port)
```

Listing 11: app(3).py Source Code

11.2 Glossary of Terms

Steganography: The technique of hiding information within another file, image, or video.

Fernet: A symmetric encryption method from the cryptography library ensuring message integrity and confidentiality.

Callback: A function or routine that is executed after a specific event, used here to verify token and hidden data in the PDF.

11.3 References and Further Reading

- Documentation for Flask, ReportLab, PyPDF2, Fernet, and Stegano.
- Cybersecurity best practices for forensic logging and data capture.
- Internal policies regarding harassment investigations and data privacy.

12 Document Revision History

Version	Date	Description
1.0	March 28, 2025	Initial release with complete documentation