

Title: Phishing offensive/defensive tool  
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## 1. Attack Overview — Phishing Simulation

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Our offensive team will develop a **phishing simulation tool** that safely mimics a real phishing campaign in a controlled lab environment. The simulator will:

- Generate and send simulated phishing emails to a local mail server or test inbox.
- Host a training landing page (via Flask) that looks like a login page.
- Log user clicks and credential entries (for demo only, no real data stored).
- Include strict lab-only safeguards:
  - Target whitelist (localhost or 10.x.x.x only)
  - Banner warnings ("For lab use only")
  - No network propagation.

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## 2. Defense Overview — Email Filter + Domain Detector + User Training

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The defensive team will create a **multi-layer defense system** that includes:

- **Email filter:** Scans incoming messages for phishing indicators (keywords, links, sender mismatch).
- **Domain similarity detector:** Compares suspicious email domains (e.g., "gmail1.com") against trusted ones using Levenshtein distance or fuzzy matching.
- **User training workflow:** Redirects caught users to an awareness page explaining phishing signs and safe practices.

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## 3. Lab Target Description

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- Environment: Two virtual machines (one attacker, one target)
- Attacker VM: Runs phishing simulator (Python + Flask)
- Target VM: Runs defense scripts and mail receiver
- Network: Closed lab network (no internet)
- Logs: Stored locally in `/logs/phishing_lab/`

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