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## ASSIGNMENT 5

### Web Application Scanning: Automated Vulnerability Discovery

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#### Target Information

Parameter	Value
Target 1	<a href="http://testfire.net">http://testfire.net</a>
IP	65.61.137.117
Country	United States (US)
HTTP Server	Apache Tomcat/Coyote JSP engine 1.1

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#### Step 1 — Recon & Discovery

##### 1. Nmap Scan

##### Command Used:

```
nmap -sC -sV -O testfire.net
```

##### Results:

Port	Service	Version
80	http	Apache Tomcat/Coyote JSP engine 1.1

443	https	Apache Tomcat/Coyote JSP engine 1.1
8080	http	Apache Tomcat/Coyote JSP engine 1.1
8443	https-alt	Closed

**OS Guess:** Linux 4.X / 3.X (general purpose)

```
(kali@kali)-[~]
$ nmap -sC -sV -O testfire.net
Starting Nmap 7.95 ( https://nmap.org ) at 2025-11-28 09:11 EST
Nmap scan report for testfire.net (65.61.137.117)
Host is up (0.25s latency).
Not shown: 996 filtered tcp ports (no-response)
PORT      STATE SERVICE VERSION
80/tcp    open  http      Apache Tomcat/Coyote JSP engine 1.1
|_http-title: Altoro Mutual
|_http-server-header: Apache-Coyote/1.1
443/tcp   open  ssl/http  Apache Tomcat/Coyote JSP engine 1.1
|_ssl-date: 2025-11-28T14:12:25+00:00; +2s from scanner time.
|_http-server-header: Apache-Coyote/1.1
|_http-title: Altoro Mutual
|_ssl-cert: Subject: commonName=demo.testfire.net
| Subject Alternative Name: DNS:demo.testfire.net
| Not valid before: 2025-05-21T00:00:00
| Not valid after: 2026-06-21T23:59:59
8080/tcp  open  http      Apache Tomcat/Coyote JSP engine 1.1
|_http-title: Altoro Mutual
|_http-server-header: Apache-Coyote/1.1
8443/tcp  closed https-alt
Device type: general purpose
Running (JUST GUESSING): Linux 4.X|3.X (88%)
OS CPE: cpe:/o:linux:linux_kernel:4.4 cpe:/o:linux:linux_kernel:3
Aggressive OS guesses: Linux 4.4 (88%), Linux 3.2 - 3.8 (87%), Linux 3.11 - 4.9 (86%)
No exact OS matches for host (test conditions non-ideal).

Host script results:
|_clock-skew: 1s

OS and Service detection performed. Please report any incorrect results at https://nmap.org/submit/ .
Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 46.34 seconds
```

## 2. Web Fingerprinting – WhatWeb

**Command Used:**

*whatweb http://testfire.net --log-verbose=whatweb1.txt*

**Results:**

- Apache HTTP server (Apache-Coyote/1.1)
- Cookies: JSESSIONID (HttpOnly)
- Java detected
- Title: Altoro Mutual

```
(kali@kali)-[~]
$ whatweb http://testfire.net --log-verbose=whatweb1.txt
http://testfire.net [200 OK] Apache, Cookies[JSESSIONID], Country[UNITED STATES][US], HTTPServer[Apache-Coyote/1.1], HttpOnly[JSESSIONID], IP[65.61.137.117], Java, Title[Altoro Mutual]
```

```
(kali@kali)-[~]
$ cat whatweb1.txt
WhatWeb report for http://testfire.net
Status      : 200 OK
Title       : Altoro Mutual
IP          : 65.61.137.117
Country     : UNITED STATES, US

Summary     : Apache, Cookies[JSESSIONID], HTTPServer[Apache-Coyote/1.1], HttpOnly[JSESSIONID], Java

Detected Plugins:
[ Apache ]
  The Apache HTTP Server Project is an effort to develop and maintain an open-source HTTP server for modern operating systems including UNIX and Windows NT. The goal of this project is to provide a secure, efficient and extensible server that provides HTTP services in sync with the current HTTP standards.

  Google Dorks: (3)
  Website      : http://httpd.apache.org/

[ Cookies ]
  Display the names of cookies in the HTTP headers. The values are not returned to save on space.

  String       : JSESSIONID

[ HTTPServer ]
  HTTP server header string. This plugin also attempts to identify the operating system from the server header.

  String       : Apache-Coyote/1.1 (from server string)

[ HttpOnly ]
  If the HttpOnly flag is included in the HTTP set-cookie response header and the browser supports it then the cookie cannot be accessed through client side script - More Info: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/HTTP_cookie

  String       : JSESSIONID
```

```
[ Java ]
  Java allows you to play online games, chat with people around the world, calculate your mortgage interest, and view images in 3D, just to name a few. It's also integral to the intranet applications and other e-business solutions that are the foundation of corporate computing.

  Website      : http://www.java.com/
```

```
HTTP Headers:
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Server: Apache-Coyote/1.1
Set-Cookie: JSESSIONID=07DA1FC0F51FA2BF164C93B3A8118ACE; Path=/; HttpOnly
Content-Type: text/html;charset=ISO-8859-1
Transfer-Encoding: chunked
Date: Fri, 28 Nov 2025 15:51:41 GMT
Connection: close
```

### 3. Directory Discovery – Gobuster

**Command Used:**

```
gobuster dir -u http://testfire.net -w /usr/share/wordlists/dirb/common.txt
```

**Results :**

Directory	Status / Redirect
/admin	302 → /login.jsp
/bank	302 → /login.jsp
/images	302 → /images/
/pr	302 → /pr/
/static	302 → /static/
/util	302 → /util/
/aux, /com1, /com2, /com3, /lpt1, /lpt2, /nul, /prn	200 OK

```
(kali㉿kali)-[~]
$ gobuster dir -u http://testfire.net -w /usr/share/wordlists/dirb/common.txt

=====
Gobuster v3.8
by OJ Reeves (@TheColonial) & Christian Mehlmauer (@firefart)
=====
[+] Url:                http://testfire.net
[+] Method:             GET
[+] Threads:            10
[+] Wordlist:            /usr/share/wordlists/dirb/common.txt
[+] Negative Status codes: 404
[+] User Agent:         gobuster/3.8
[+] Timeout:            10s
=====

Starting gobuster in directory enumeration mode
=====
/admin      (Status: 302) [Size: 0] [→ /login.jsp]
/aux        (Status: 200) [Size: 0]
/bank       (Status: 302) [Size: 0] [→ /login.jsp]
/com3       (Status: 200) [Size: 0]
/com1       (Status: 200) [Size: 0]
/com2       (Status: 200) [Size: 0]
/images     (Status: 302) [Size: 0] [→ /images/]
/lpt2       (Status: 200) [Size: 0]
/lpt1       (Status: 200) [Size: 0]
/nul        (Status: 200) [Size: 0]
/pr         (Status: 302) [Size: 0] [→ /pr/]
/prn        (Status: 200) [Size: 0]
/static     (Status: 302) [Size: 0] [→ /static/]
/util       (Status: 302) [Size: 0] [→ /util/]
Progress: 4613 / 4613 (100.00%)
=====
Finished
=====
```

## Step 2 — Light Automated Scans

### 1. Nikto Scan – HTTP Server Vulnerabilities

#### Command Used:

*nikto -h http://testfire.net -output nikto.txt*

#### Findings:

- Anti-clickjacking X-Frame-Options header not present
- X-Content-Type-Options header not set
- HTTP Methods Allowed: GET, HEAD, POST, PUT, DELETE, OPTIONS
- PUT method could allow file upload

- DELETE method could allow file deletion
- Junk HTTP methods returned valid responses

```
(kali㉿kali)-[~]
$ nikto -h http://testfire.net -output nikto.txt

- Nikto v2.5.0

+ Target IP:          65.61.137.117
+ Target Hostname:    testfire.net
+ Target Port:        80
+ Start Time:         2025-11-28 09:15:02 (GMT-5)

+ Server: Apache-Coyote/1.1
+ /: The anti-clickjacking X-Frame-Options header is not present. See: https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/HTTP/Headers/X-Frame-Options
+ /: The X-Content-Type-Options header is not set. This could allow the user agent to render the content of the site in a different fashion to the MIME type. See: https://www.netsparker.com/web-vulnerability-scanner/vulnerabilities/missing-content-type-header/
+ No CGI Directories found (use '-C all' to force check all possible dirs)
+ OPTIONS: Allowed HTTP Methods: GET, HEAD, POST, PUT, DELETE, OPTIONS .
+ HTTP method ('Allow' Header): 'PUT' method could allow clients to save files on the web server.
+ HTTP method ('Allow' Header): 'DELETE' may allow clients to remove files on the web server.
+ /: Web Server returns a valid response with junk HTTP methods which may cause false positives.
+ ERROR: Error limit (20) reached for host, giving up. Last error: opening stream: can't connect (timeout): Transport endpoint is not connected
+ Scan terminated: 20 error(s) and 6 item(s) reported on remote host
+ End Time:         2025-11-28 09:20:10 (GMT-5) (308 seconds)

+ 1 host(s) tested
```

## 2. Nuclei Scan – Fast Template Checks

### Command Used:

```
nuclei -u http://testfire.net -as -o nuclei.txt -c 10
```

### Results:

- Detected 4 tags and 2 matches using templates
- Apache server detected: Apache-Coyote/1.1
- Scan completed with no critical vulnerabilities reported



```
(kali@kali)-[~/zap-scripts]
$ sudo python3 zap-baseline.py -t http://testfire.net -r zap_baseline.html
```

```
Total of 95 URLs
PASS: Vulnerable JS Library (Powered by Retire.js) [10003]
PASS: In Page Banner Information Leak [10009]
PASS: Cookie No HttpOnly Flag [10010]
PASS: Cookie Without Secure Flag [10011]
PASS: Re-examine Cache-control Directives [10015]
PASS: Content-Type Header Missing [10019]
PASS: Information Disclosure - Debug Error Messages [10023]
PASS: Information Disclosure - Sensitive Information in URL [10024]
PASS: Information Disclosure - Sensitive Information in HTTP Referrer Header [10025]
PASS: HTTP Parameter Override [10026]
PASS: Information Disclosure - Suspicious Comments [10027]
PASS: Off-site Redirect [10028]
PASS: Cookie Poisoning [10029]
PASS: User Controllable Charset [10030]
PASS: User Controllable HTML Element Attribute (Potential XSS) [10031]
PASS: Viewstate [10032]
PASS: Directory Browsing [10033]
PASS: Heartbleed OpenSSL Vulnerability (Indicative) [10034]
PASS: Strict-Transport-Security Header [10035]
PASS: Server Leaks Information via "X-Powered-By" HTTP Response Header Field(s) [10037]
PASS: X-Backend-Server Header Information Leak [10039]
PASS: Secure Pages Include Mixed Content [10040]
PASS: HTTP to HTTPS Insecure Transition in Form Post [10041]
PASS: HTTPS to HTTP Insecure Transition in Form Post [10042]
PASS: User Controllable JavaScript Event (XSS) [10043]
PASS: Big Redirect Detected (Potential Sensitive Information Leak) [10044]
PASS: Content Cacheability [10049]
PASS: Retrieved from Cache [10050]
PASS: X-ChromeLogger-Data (XCOLD) Header Information Leak [10052]
PASS: CSP [10055]
PASS: X-Debug-Token Information Leak [10056]
PASS: Username Hash Found [10057]
PASS: X-AspNet-Version Response Header [10061]
PASS: PII Disclosure [10062]
PASS: Timestamp Disclosure [10096]
PASS: Hash Disclosure [10097]
PASS: Cross-Domain Misconfiguration [10098]
PASS: Weak Authentication Method [10105]
PASS: Reverse Tabnabbing [10108]

PASS: Modern Web Application [10109]
PASS: Authentication Request Identified [10111]
PASS: Session Management Response Identified [10112]
PASS: Verification Request Identified [10113]
PASS: Script Served From Malicious Domain (polyfill) [10115]
PASS: ZAP is Out of Date [10116]
PASS: Private IP Disclosure [2]
PASS: Session ID in URL Rewrite [3]
PASS: Script Passive Scan Rules [50001]
PASS: Insecure JSF ViewState [90001]
PASS: Java Serialization Object [90002]
PASS: Charset Mismatch [90011]
PASS: Application Error Disclosure [90022]
PASS: WSDL File Detection [90030]
PASS: Loosely Scoped Cookie [90033]
WARN-NEW: Cross-Domain JavaScript Source File Inclusion [10017] x 1
    http://testfire.net/index.jsp?content=personal_investments.htm (200 OK)
WARN-NEW: Missing Anti-clickjacking Header [10020] x 6
    http://testfire.net/ (200 OK)
    http://testfire.net (200 OK)
    http://testfire.net/index.jsp (200 OK)
    http://testfire.net/login.jsp (200 OK)
    http://testfire.net/index.jsp?content=personal.htm (200 OK)
WARN-NEW: X-Content-Type-Options Header Missing [10021] x 6
    http://testfire.net/ (200 OK)
    http://testfire.net (200 OK)
    http://testfire.net/index.jsp (200 OK)
    http://testfire.net/index.jsp?content=personal.htm (200 OK)
    http://testfire.net/login.jsp (200 OK)
WARN-NEW: Server Leaks Version Information via "Server" HTTP Response Header Field [10036] x 8
    http://testfire.net/ (200 OK)
    http://testfire.net (200 OK)
    http://testfire.net/robots.txt (404 Not Found)
    http://testfire.net/sitemap.xml (404 Not Found)
    http://testfire.net/index.jsp (200 OK)
WARN-NEW: Content Security Policy (CSP) Header Not Set [10038] x 8
    http://testfire.net/ (200 OK)
    http://testfire.net (200 OK)
    http://testfire.net/robots.txt (404 Not Found)
    http://testfire.net/sitemap.xml (404 Not Found)
    http://testfire.net/login.jsp (200 OK)
WARN-NEW: Cookie without SameSite Attribute [10054] x 4
```





## Alerts

Name	Risk Level	Number of Instances
<a href="#">Absence of Anti-CSRF Tokens</a>	Medium	3
<a href="#">Content Security Policy (CSP) Header Not Set</a>	Medium	Systemic
<a href="#">Missing Anti-clickjacking Header</a>	Medium	Systemic
<a href="#">Source Code Disclosure - SQL</a>	Medium	1
<a href="#">Sub Resource Integrity Attribute Missing</a>	Medium	1
<a href="#">Cookie without SameSite Attribute</a>	Low	4
<a href="#">Cross-Domain JavaScript Source File Inclusion</a>	Low	1
<a href="#">Dangerous JS Functions</a>	Low	1
<a href="#">Insufficient Site Isolation Against Spectre Vulnerability</a>	Low	12
<a href="#">Permissions Policy Header Not Set</a>	Low	Systemic
<a href="#">Server Leaks Version Information via "Server" HTTP Response Header Field</a>	Low	Systemic
<a href="#">X-Content-Type-Options Header Missing</a>	Low	Systemic
<a href="#">Information Disclosure - Suspicious Comments</a>	Informational	5
<a href="#">Modern Web Application</a>	Informational	4
<a href="#">Session Management Response Identified</a>	Informational	4
<a href="#">Storable and Cacheable Content</a>	Informational	Systemic

## 4. WPScan – WordPress Scan

**Target:** <http://192.168.1.9/secret/>

**Command Used:**

```
wpscan --url http://192.168.1.9/secret/
```

**Findings:**

- WordPress version 4.9 (insecure, outdated)
- XML-RPC enabled: <http://192.168.1.9/secret/xmlrpc.php>
- WordPress readme found
- External WP-Cron enabled
- No plugins detected
- No config backups detected
- No API token used, so vulnerability data not retrieved

```
(kali@kali)-[~]
$ wpscan --url http://192.168.1.9/secret/

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WordPress Security Scanner by the WPScan Team
Version 3.8.28
Sponsored by Automattic - https://automattic.com/
@WPScan_, @ethicalhack3r, @erwan_lr, @firefart
```

```
[+] URL: http://192.168.1.9/secret/ [192.168.1.9]
[+] Started: Fri Nov 28 11:08:18 2025
```

Interesting Finding(s):

```
[+] Headers
| Interesting Entry: Server: Apache/2.4.18 (Ubuntu)
| Found By: Headers (Passive Detection)
| Confidence: 100%

[+] XML-RPC seems to be enabled: http://192.168.1.9/secret/xmlrpc.php
| Found By: Direct Access (Aggressive Detection)
| Confidence: 100%
| References:
| - http://codex.wordpress.org/XML-RPC_Pingback_API
| - https://www.rapid7.com/db/modules/auxiliary/scanner/http/wordpress_ghost_scanner/
| - https://www.rapid7.com/db/modules/auxiliary/dos/http/wordpress_xmlrpc_dos/
| - https://www.rapid7.com/db/modules/auxiliary/scanner/http/wordpress_xmlrpc_login/
| - https://www.rapid7.com/db/modules/auxiliary/scanner/http/wordpress_pingback_access/

[+] WordPress readme found: http://192.168.1.9/secret/readme.html
| Found By: Direct Access (Aggressive Detection)
| Confidence: 100%

[+] The external WP-Cron seems to be enabled: http://192.168.1.9/secret/wp-cron.php
| Found By: Direct Access (Aggressive Detection)
| Confidence: 60%
```

```
[+] The external WP-Cron seems to be enabled: http://192.168.1.9/secret/wp-cron.php
| Found By: Direct Access (Aggressive Detection)
| Confidence: 60%
| References:
| - https://www.iplocation.net/defend-wordpress-from-ddos
| - https://github.com/wpscanteam/wpscan/issues/1299

[+] WordPress version 4.9 identified (Insecure, released on 2017-11-16).
| Found By: Emoji Settings (Passive Detection)
| - http://192.168.1.9/secret/, Match: 'wp-includes/js/wp-emoji-release.min.js?ver=4.9'
| Confirmed By: Meta Generator (Passive Detection)
| - http://192.168.1.9/secret/, Match: 'WordPress 4.9'

[i] The main theme could not be detected.

[+] Enumerating All Plugins (via Passive Methods)

[i] No plugins Found.

[+] Enumerating Config Backups (via Passive and Aggressive Methods)
Checking Config Backups - Time: 00:00:00 ← (137 / 137) 100.00% Time: 00:00:00

[i] No Config Backups Found.

[!] No WPScan API Token given, as a result vulnerability data has not been output.
[!] You can get a free API token with 25 daily requests by registering at https://wpscan.com/register

[+] Finished: Fri Nov 28 11:08:24 2025
[+] Requests Done: 164
[+] Cached Requests: 4
[+] Data Sent: 42.203 KB
[+] Data Received: 191.293 KB
[+] Memory used: 233.973 MB
[+] Elapsed time: 00:00:05
```

## Step 3 — Summary & Recommendations

### Summary of Findings

Target	Issue	Severity	Notes
testfire.net	Missing X-Frame-Options	Medium	Vulnerable to clickjacking
testfire.net	Missing X-Content-Type-Options	Medium	MIME sniffing possible
testfire.net	PUT & DELETE HTTP methods allowed	High	Could allow file upload/deletion
testfire.net	Vulnerable JS Library (Retire.js)	Medium	Outdated library
192.168.1.9/sec ret	WordPress 4.9	High	Outdated, vulnerable
192.168.1.9/sec ret	XML-RPC enabled	Medium	Could be abused for attacks

### Recommendations

#### 1. HTTP Security Headers

- Add X-Frame-Options: SAMEORIGIN to prevent clickjacking
- Add X-Content-Type-Options: nosniff to prevent MIME type attacks

#### 2. Restrict HTTP Methods

- Disable PUT and DELETE if not required

#### 3. Update Software

- Upgrade WordPress to the latest version

- Update Retire.js and other libraries

#### 4. **Secure WordPress**

- Disable XML-RPC if not required
- Protect `readme.html` and `wp-cron.php` if exposed

#### 5. **Periodic Scanning**

- Run automated scans periodically to detect new vulnerabilities
-