

Basics of Databases and... Q/A



Q. What are injections?

Ans. These are the vulnerabilities through which attackers gains illegal access to the data. It allows attackers to directly insert their commands/codes into the web server.

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SQL is abbreviated as Structured Query language which is used to query data from the database. It helps in communicating to database software to retrieve/store data from/in the databases.

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Databases is a part of database software in which all the application information like user information, messages, posts etc. are placed in a structured, easy to access and secured way. These databases contain tables.; tables contain columns and rows and each row has separate cells storing data against the specific column in a specific format.

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login.php
<?php
$user = $_POST['un'];
$pass = $_POST['pass'];
$result= QUERY: SELECT * FROM users WHERE
username='$user' AND password='$pass'
if( $result IS NOT BLANK ){
         echo "login success";
else{
         echo "login failed";
 ?>
```

Representative code

How can you pass non-numeric values in an SQL command?

A Non-numeric values are invalid in an SQL command.

B Non-numeric values are passed by enclosing them either in single

and double quotes.



Well done. Correct Answer.

Explanation:

If the non-numeric values are not enclosed in single or double quotes, the script will either show an error or fail to load.

81% students get this answer correct at their first attempt

C Non-numeric values can be passed using condition in

the cyptax

What is the role of * in a SQL query?

A

It is used to fetch all the columns in a table.



Well done. Correct Answer.

Explanation:

Asterisk is used to fetch all the columns from the table.

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B It is used to fetch all the rows in a table.

C It works as a substitute for SELECT clause. Your friend Himanshu is running an SQL command. But every time, the script shows an error. Help him in finding the error from the given code: SELECT COUNT(name) FROM users where active=yes;



Well done. Correct Answer.

Explanation:

"Yes" is a non-numeric value, which is not enclosed in a single or double quote in the query. While SQL is case insensitive, COUNT is a function used to return number of rows from the table, and semicolon is used to terminate SQL commands just like in PHP.



Basics of Databases and... Summary



Now that we have come to the end of this topic, you should be able to:

- 1. Describe SQL- the whys and hows
- Describe the basic communication model between servers and clients using SQL
- 3. Describe a database and its various components
- 4. Describe the basic types of SQL statements in MySQL
- Build basic Select queries in MySQL

If you have doubts regarding any of the above mentioned points, please go through the relevant videos and helper texts again.