# **KUSH BORIKAR**

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### **SUMMARY**

Results-driven Cybersecurity Professional with hands-on experience in SIEM implementation, log analysis, and threat detection. Proficient in tools like Splunk, ELK stack, and Azure Sentinel, with a strong foundation in network security, incident response, and compliance frameworks. Demonstrated ability to automate security processes, triaging and conduct root cause analysis.

## **EDUCATION**

### Master's in Cybersecurity

New Jersey Institute of Technology · Newark, New Jersey · Sep 2022 - May 2024 · 3.90

### Bachelor's in Information Technology

Nagpur University · India · Aug 2016 - June 2020 · 3.0

### **CERTIFICATIONS**

CompTIA Security+ | IBM CySA | CCNA | Udemy AWS Security Certified | Udemy Splunk Architect | ISC2 CC

#### **SKILLS**

Security Inforamtion & Event Management: Log Analysis, Configuration, Maintenance, Rule Creation, Correlation
Networking: TCP/IP, OSI, Network Topology, Network Security, Firewalls, Network Monitoring, Snort, Wireshark, Intrusion
Detection/Prevention systems (IDS/IPS) | Device Security: Endpoint Protection (EDR/XDR), Device Hardening
Scripting Languages: PowerShell, Python, BASH, Perl | SIEM Query Languages: SPL, KQL, YARA-L, Kusto.
Threat Intelligence: MITRE ATT&CK, OWASP, OSINT | Incident Response: Detection, Resolution strategies, Incident Management
Compliance Frameworks: NIST, ISO27001, PCI-DSS, HIPAA, SOC | Operating Systems: Windows, Linux, Unix

## **PROJECTS**

# **Splunk SIEM Implementation for Security Operations**

- · Integrated logs from 5 multiple sources, including firewalls and EDR systems, to streamline security monitoring and incident detection.
- $\cdot \ \, \text{Developed and fine-tuned 50+ SPL queries to create custom dashboards and alerts, enhancing visibility into potential threats.}$
- · Participated in security incident investigations and root cause analysis, contributing to the development of mitigation strategies.

## Honeypot Deployment and ELK Integration for Cyber Threat Detection

- Implemented and managed a honeypot platform with ELK stack integration, enabling real-time threat detection and data visualization for more than 10 sources.
- $\cdot \ Configured \ Elastic search, Log stash, and \ Kibana \ to \ aggregate \ and \ analyze \ 1000+logs, \ developing \ use \ cases \ and \ actionable \ insights.$
- · Enhanced incident response capabilities by utilizing Kibana Query Language (KQL) to create advanced queries and correlations.

## **Azure Cloud Detection Lab**

- $\cdot \ \text{Designed a cloud-based security detection environment using Azure Sentinel, Log Analytics Workspace, and 5 Virtual Machines.}$
- Implemented data ingestion and analysis pipelines to identify potential security threats using Kusto Query Language (KQL) and custom analytic rules, detecting over 11000 security incidents.
- · Mapped detected threats to the MITRE ATT&CK framework to understand adversary tactics, techniques, and common procedures.

## **EXPERIENCE**

## **Networks Support Assistant**

### New Jersey Institute of Technology

September 2023 - May 2024, Newark, NJ

- · Provided expert support in diagnosing and resolving network configuration and security issues in lab environments for 100+ end devices.
- · Employed Python scripts for automation of deploying servers and analysis to streamline troubleshooting processes.
- Conducted training sessions for 200+ students on network security best practices and tools, including Wireshark for traffic analysis.

## **Data Analyst**

# FirstCry.com

March 2021 - May 2022, Pune, India

- · Increased operational efficiency by 35% through analyzing complex data sets using Excel, delivering actionable insights.
- $\cdot \ \, \text{Developed real-time performance metrics reports, saving marketing team 40 hours monthly and revolutionizing efficiency and ROI.}$
- · Leveraged advanced Excel functions and formulas to analyze complex data sets, identifying buying trends for 5000+ users.

### **Cyber Security Intern**

## **V3 Data Solutions**

January 2020 - June 2020, Nagpur, India

- · Secured more than 75 organization end devices through system configurations and device hardening.
- · Conducted code reviews, security testing and implemented Access management for 10+ organization projects.
- · Communicated complex and secure coding practices to the developement team to enhance web application security.