

1. Cyber Security and CIA Triad

Cyber Security is the practice of protecting systems, networks, and data from digital attacks.

The **CIA Triad** is the foundation of cyber security:

- Confidentiality – Ensures information is accessible only to authorized users.
Example: Banking passwords, WhatsApp chats.

- Integrity – Ensures data is not altered by unauthorized users.
Example: Bank balance accuracy.

- Availability – Ensures systems are accessible when required.
Example: Online banking services available 24/7.

2. Types of Cyber Attackers

- Script Kiddies – Beginners using ready-made tools
- Insiders – Employees misusing authorized access
- Hacktivists – Socially or politically motivated attackers
- Nation-State Actors – Government-sponsored hackers.

3. Attack Surface

An attack surface refers to all the possible entry points through which an attacker can exploit a system.

Common attack surfaces include:

- Web applications
- Mobile applications
- APIs
- Networks
- Cloud infrastructure

4. OWASP Top 10

OWASP Top 10 is a list of the most critical web application security risks.

Examples include:

- SQL Injection
- Cross-Site Scripting (XSS)
- Broken Authentication

OWASP Top 10 helps improve application security awareness.

5. Daily Applications and Attack Surface

- Email – Login page, phishing emails, attachments
- WhatsApp – Messages, authentication, backend servers
- Banking App – Login, transactions, database

6. Data Flow in Applications

User → Application → Server → Database

7. Possible Attack Points

- User – Phishing attacks
- Application – Malware
- Network – Man-in-the-middle attacks
- Server – SQL Injection
- Database – Data breach

8. Summary

9. This task helped me understand cyber security basics, attacker types, attack surfaces, and OWASP Top 10 vulnerabilities. It improved my awareness of real-world cyber threats.