

PHISHING ATTACKS IN CYBERSECURITY

Techniques, Detection, and Prevention

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INTRODUCTION

- Phishing attacks use deception to trick individuals into sharing sensitive information. They are a major threat in the digital age, affecting businesses and individuals alike. This project explores how phishing works, how it can be detected, and how to prevent it.

PROBLEM STATEMENT

- Despite advancements in cybersecurity, phishing remains effective due to its reliance on human error. It can lead to credential theft, financial loss, and breaches of confidential data.

RESEARCH OBJECTIVES

- - Understand various phishing attack techniques
- - Analyze real-world phishing examples
- - Review effective detection and prevention strategies
- - Propose awareness and technology-based solutions

COMMON PHISHING TECHNIQUES

- - Email Phishing
- - Spear Phishing
- - Whaling
- - Vishing (Voice Calls)
- - Smishing (SMS)
- - Clone Phishing

DETECTION TECHNIQUES

- - AI-based spam filters
- - Suspicious URL detection
- - Email header analysis
- - Behavior-based anomaly detection

PREVENTION STRATEGIES

- - Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA)
- - Employee security awareness training
- - Browser/email security tools
- - Regular phishing simulations

REAL-WORLD USE CASES

- - 2020 Twitter spear-phishing attack on verified accounts
- - Google and Facebook losing \$100M to a fake invoice scam
- - Constant phishing attempts on banks and financial institutions

ETHICAL AND SOCIAL IMPACT

- Phishing undermines trust in digital communication.
Awareness and responsibility in technology use are crucial for mitigating its impact.

MARKET RELEVANCE

- Phishing attacks cause billions in losses annually.
- The cybersecurity market is investing heavily in email security, training platforms, and AI detection tools.

FUTURE ENHANCEMENTS

- - Gamified phishing awareness training
- - AI-powered real-time email scanning
- - Integration of decentralized identity management
- - Behavior-based phishing detection systems

CONCLUSION

- Phishing continues to evolve and adapt.
- Combining technical solutions with strong user awareness is essential to protect against such attacks.

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