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Semester Project Report

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Objective:

The objective of this lab is to create a basic cybersecurity application in Python that provides user registration, login, and password generation functionality. The application aims to demonstrate fundamental principles of user authentication and secure password management.

Materials and Methods:

- Programming language: Python
- Integrated Development Environment (IDE): Any Python-compatible IDE
- Libraries: hashlib, random

Methodology

1. User Class

The **User** class is designed to represent a user in the cybersecurity application. It includes attributes such as username, hashed password, and a flag indicating whether the user is logged in. The **hash_password** method employs the SHA-256 hashing algorithm to securely store passwords.

```
class User:
    def __init__(self, username, password):
        self.username = username
        self.password = self.hash_password(password)
        self.is_logged_in = False

    def hash_password(self, password):
        # Use a strong hashing algorithm like SHA-256
        hashed_password = hashlib.sha256(password.encode()).hexdigest()
        return hashed_password
```

2. CybersecurityApp Class

The **CybersecurityApp** class acts as the main application container. It manages user registration, login, and password generation. It also maintains a list of registered users and tracks the currently logged-in user.

```
class CybersecurityApp:
   def init (self):
       self.users = {}
       self.logged in user = None
   def register user(self, username, password):
        if username in self.users:
            print("Username already exists. Please choose another one.")
        else:
           user = User(username, password)
           self.users[username] = user
            print("Registration successful.")
   def login(self, username, password):
        if username in self.users:
            user = self.users[username]
            if user.password == user.hash_password(password):
                user.is_logged_in = True
                self.logged_in_user = user
                print("Login successful.")
            else:
                print("Incorrect password. Please try again.")
        else:
            print("User not found. Please register.")
```

```
def logout(self):
    if self.logged_in_user:
        self.logged_in_user.is_logged_in = False
        self.logged_in_user = None
        print("Logout successful.")
    else:
        print("No user is currently logged in.")

def generate_random_password(self, length=12):
    # Generate a random password of the specified length
    characters = "abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyzABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ0123456789!@#$%^&*()_-+=<>?"
    password = ''.join(random.choice(characters) for _ in range(length))
    return password
```

3. Application Workflow

The application's workflow is structured around a menu-driven console interface. Users can register, log in, log out, generate random passwords, and exit the application. The loop continues until the user chooses to exit.

```
if __name__ == "__main__":
   app = CybersecurityApp()
   while True:
       print("\n1. Register\n2. Login\n3. Logout\n4. Generate Random Password\n5. Exit")
       choice = input("Enter your choice: ")
       if choice == "1":
           username = input("Enter username: ")
           password = input("Enter password: ")
           app.register_user(username, password)
        elif choice == "2":
           username = input("Enter username: ")
           password = input("Enter password: ")
           app.login(username, password)
       elif choice == "3":
           app.logout()
        elif choice == "4":
           length = int(input("Enter the length of the password: "))
           random_password = app.generate_random_password(length)
           print("Generated password:", random_password)
        elif choice == "5":
           print("Exiting the application.")
           break
           print("Invalid choice. Please try again.")
```

Results

1. User Registration

The application allows users to register by providing a username and password. The system checks for duplicate usernames and ensures that each user has a unique registration.

Register
 Login
 Logout
 Generate Random Password
 Exit
 Enter your choice: 1
 Enter username: Fahim Iqbal
 Enter password: fahim123
 Registration successful.

2. User Login

Users can log in using their registered username and password. The application verifies the entered password against the stored hashed password.

Register
 Login
 Logout
 Generate Random Password
 Exit
 Enter your choice: 2
 Enter username: Fahim Iqbal
 Enter password: fahim123
 Login successful.

3. User Logout

The application supports user logout functionality, which deactivates the logged-in status for the current user.

Register
 Login
 Logout
 Generate Random Password
 Exit
 Enter your choice: 3
 Logout successful.

4. Password Generation

Users can generate random passwords of variable lengths using the application. The generated passwords include a mix of lowercase and uppercase letters, digits, and special characters.

Register
 Login
 Logout
 Generate Random Password
 Exit
 Enter your choice: 4
 Enter the length of the password: 7
 Generated password: aH&V)j8

Discussion

The cybersecurity application introduces basic concepts of user authentication and password security. The use of SHA-256 hashing for password storage enhances security by preventing plaintext password exposure. However, this lab focuses on fundamental features, and a real-world application would require additional security measures.

Future Work

Future improvements to the cybersecurity application may include:

- Integration of more robust password hashing algorithms (e.g., bcrypt).
- Implementation of secure communication protocols.
- Addition of advanced cybersecurity features such as intrusion detection and vulnerability scanning.

Conclusion

This lab successfully implemented a basic cybersecurity application in Python, providing essential features for user registration, login, and password generation. The application lays the foundation for more advanced cybersecurity practices and can serve as a starting point for future enhancements.