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Ethical Hacking and Countermeasures Glossary

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- DNS Cache Snooping: DNS cache snooping is a DNS enumeration technique whereby an attacker queries
 the DNS server for a specific cached DNS record.
- DNSSEC Zone Walking: DNSSEC zone walking is a DNS enumeration technique where an attacker attempts to obtain internal records of the DNS server if the DNS zone is not properly configured.
- Dictionary Attack: In this type of attack, a dictionary file is loaded into a cracking application that runs
 against user accounts.
- Distributed Network Attack: A Distributed Network Attack (DNA) technique is used for recovering
 passwords from hashes or password-protected files using the unused processing power of machines across
 the network.
- DCSync Attack: In a DCSync attack, an attacker initially compromises and obtains privileged account access
 with domain replication rights and activates replication protocols to create a virtual domain controller (DC)
 similar to the original AD.
- Document Steganography: Document steganography is the technique of hiding secret messages transferred in the form of documents.
- Domain Dominance: Domain dominance is a process of taking control over critical assets such as domain controllers on a target system and gaining access to other networked resources.
- Data Protection API (DPAPI): DPAPI is a unified location in Windows environments where all the
 cryptographically secured files, passwords of browsers, and other critical data are stored.
- Downloader: A type of Trojan that downloads other malware from the Internet on to the PC. Usually, attackers install downloader software when they first gain access to a system.
- Dropper: A type of Trojan that covertly installs other malware files on to the system.
- Dynamic Malware Analysis: It involves executing the malware code to know how it interacts with the host system and its impact on the system after infection.
- DHCP Starvation Attack: This is a denial-of-service (DoS) attack on the DHCP servers where the attacker broadcasts forged DHCP requests and tries to lease all the DHCP addresses available in the DHCP scope.
- DNS Poisoning: DNS poisoning is a technique that tricks a DNS server into believing that it has received authentic information when it has not received any
- DNS Cache Poisoning: DNS cache poisoning refers to altering or adding forged DNS records into the DNS
 resolver cache so that a DNS query is redirected to a malicious site.
- Diversion Theft: The attacker tricks a person responsible for making a genuine delivery into delivering the
 consignment to a location other than the intended location.
- Deepfake Attack: A deepfake attack is a type of phishing attack in which attackers create false media of a
 person they target using advanced technologies such as ML and AI.
- DoS Attack: Denial-of-Service (DoS) is an attack on a computer or network that reduces, restricts, or
 prevents accessibility of system resources to its legitimate users.
- DDoS Attack: Distributed denial-of-service (DDoS) is a coordinated attack that involves a multitude of compromised systems (Botnet) attacking a single target, thereby denying service to users of the targeted system.
- Distributed Reflection Denial-of-Service (DRDoS) Attack: A distributed reflected denial-of-service attack (DRDoS), also known as a spoofed attack, involves the use of multiple intermediary and secondary machines that contribute to the actual DDoS attack against the target machine or application.
- DNS over HTTPS: DNS over HTTPS (DoH) is an enhanced version of DNS protocol, which is used to prevent snooping of user's web activities or DNS queries during the DNS lookup process.

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- Demilitarized Zone (DMZ): The demilitarized zone (DMZ) is an area that hosts computer(s) or a small subnetwork placed as a neutral zone between a particular company's internal network and an untrusted external network to prevent outsider access to a company's private data.
- Database Honeypots: Database honeypots employ fake databases that are vulnerable to perform database-related attacks such as SQL injection and database enumeration.
- DNS Server Hijacking: Attacker compromises the DNS server and changes the DNS settings so that all the
 requests coming towards the target web server are redirected to his/her own malicious server.
- Directory Traversal: Directory traversal allows attackers to access restricted directories, including
 application source code, configuration, and critical system files to execute commands outside the web
 server's root application directory.
- DNS Rebinding Attack: Attackers use the DNS rebinding technique to bypass the same-origin policy's security constraints, allowing the malicious web page to communicate with or make arbitrary requests to local domains.
- Dynamic Application Security Testing (DAST): It is also known as a black-box testing approach and is
 performed directly on running code to identify issues related to interfaces, requests/responses, sessions,
 scripts, authentication processes, code injections, etc.
- Direct-Sequence Spread Spectrum (DSSS): DSSS is a spread spectrum technique that multiplies the original
 data signal with a pseudo-random noise-spreading code.
- Directional Antenna: A directional antenna can broadcast and receive radio waves from a single direction.
- Dipole Antenna: A dipole antenna is a straight electrical conductor measuring half a wavelength from end
 to end, and it is connected at the center of the radio frequency (RF) feed line.
- Distributed Control System (DCS): DCS is a highly engineered and large-scale control system that is often
 used to perform industry specific tasks.
- Docker: Docker is an open source technology used for developing, packaging, and running applications and all its dependencies in the form of containers, to ensure that the application works in a seamless environment.
- Data Encryption Standard (DES): DES is designed to encipher and decipher blocks of data consisting of 64 bits under control of a 56-bit key.
- DSA: The Digital Signature Algorithm (DSA) is a Federal Information Processing Standard for digital signatures.
- Diffie-Hellman: It is a cryptographic protocol that allows two parties to establish a shared key over an
 insecure channel.
- Digital Signature: Digital signature uses asymmetric cryptography to simulate the security properties of a signature in digital rather than written form.
- DUHK Attack: DUHK (Don't Use Hard-Coded Keys) is a cryptographic vulnerability that allows an attacker to
 obtain encryption keys used to secure VPNs and web sessions.
- DROWN Attack: A DROWN attack is a cross-protocol weakness that can communicate and initiate an attack
 on servers that support recent SSLv3/TLS protocol suites.

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- Email Indicators: Email indicators are used to send malicious data to the target organization or individual.
- Ethical Hacking: Ethical hacking involves the use of hacking tools, tricks, and techniques to identify
 vulnerabilities and ensure system security.