

SYSTEM LOG ATTACK DETECTION

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INTRODUCTION:

So well as this is the first project done by me I kept this simple yet in the manner of completing it . Rather than complete AI in gave more of my input over this project and this is a basic start.

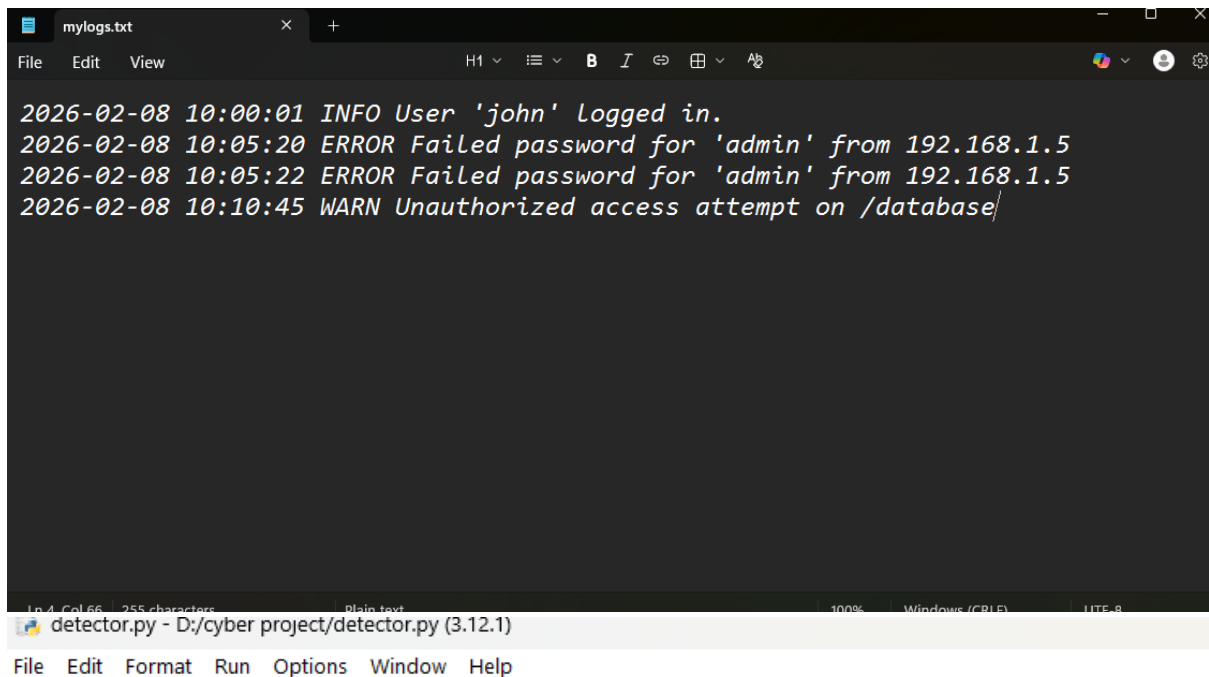
This project aims to build a Python-based automated monitoring system that scans these logs in real-time to identify patterns of malicious activity, such as brute-force attacks and unauthorized access attempts

IMPLEMENTATION

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import os

def start_detection():
    filename = "mylogs.txt"
    if os.path.exists(filename):
        print("--- Log Scanner Started ---")
        with open(filename, "r") as file:
            for line in file:
                if "Failed" in line or
"Unauthorized" in line:
                    print(f"ALERT: Security
Threat Found -> {line.strip()}")
                print("--- Scan Finished ---")
    else:
        print("Error: mylogs.txt not found!
Make sure it's in the same folder.")
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TESTING & RESULTS



The screenshot shows a text editor window titled 'mylogs.txt' with a dark background. It contains four lines of log data: '2026-02-08 10:00:01 INFO User 'john' logged in.', '2026-02-08 10:05:20 ERROR Failed password for 'admin' from 192.168.1.5', '2026-02-08 10:05:22 ERROR Failed password for 'admin' from 192.168.1.5', and '2026-02-08 10:10:45 WARN Unauthorized access attempt on /database/'. Below this, a Python script 'detector.py' is shown in a light-colored editor. The script has a menu bar (File, Edit, Format, Run, Options, Window, Help) and contains the following code:

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IDLE Shell 3.12.1
File Edit Shell Debug Options Window Help
Python 3.12.1 (tags/v3.12.1:2305ca5, Dec 7 2023, 22:03:25) [MSC v.1937 64 bit (AMD64)] on win
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Type "help", "copyright", "credits" or "license()" for more information.
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CONCLUSION

This project demonstrates the power of automation in cybersecurity. While this is a foundational version, it follows the core logic used by professional SIEM (Security Information and Event Management) tools. Through this project, I have learned how to handle files in Python and how to translate security threats into searchable code patterns