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KEY COMPETENCIES

- Penetration Testing (Web, Network, and Systems)
- Web Application Security (OWASP Top 10)
- Vulnerability Scanning & Assessment
- Security Testing Tools (Burp Suite, Nmap, Wireshark)
- Metasploit & Meterpreter
- Exploitation Techniques (SQL Injection, XSS, CSRF)
- Critical Thinking & Problem-Solving
- Resilience & Persistence
- Adaptability & Continuous Learning

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

Inspector - A web vulnerability scanner

November 2024 – January 2025

- Developed an automated scanner for OWASP Top 10 risks like SQLi and XSS. Outputs detailed security reports with verbose logs. Continuously improving accuracy and real-world usability.

PortSwigger Web Security Academy Labs

August 2024 - Ongoing

- Solving hands-on labs to master real-world web vulnerabilities such as auth flaws, XSS, and SQLi. Applying skills in offensive security scenarios.

Signature-Based Malware Detection Project

January 2024 – June 2024

- Built a detection system using known malware signatures. Designed core detection logic and presented the project academically.

CTF & Platform Experience

November 2024 – Ongoing

- Actively playing CTFs and solving challenges on:
- TryHackMe: Top 4% globally, focusing on web and system exploitation.
- Hack The Box: Practicing advanced pentesting labs and CTF-style challenges.
- Building practical offensive security expertise through continuous hands-on experience.

EDUCATION & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Sanjay Ghodawat University, Kolhapur

- Bachelor of Computer Applications (BCA), Expected Graduation: June 2025 CGPA FY- 8.30, SY-8.42

Certifications:

- Google Cybersecurity Professional Certificate
- Ethical Hacking from Scratch: Complete Bootcamp 2024
- Bug Hunting & Web Security Bootcamp 2024

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Cybersecurity Awareness Workshops

- Organized and conducted workshops on cybersecurity awareness for fellow students.
- Covered topics such as data protection, phishing prevention, online privacy best practices and hacking demonstration.

IT Support Volunteer

- Provided technical support and troubleshooting assistance during the National hackathons such as hackera and for other technical events.