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Automated Vulnerability Scrapper for Real-Time Threat Intelligence in OEM Environments

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Abstract- *The increasing reliance on Information Technology (IT) and Operational Technology (OT) equipment from Original Equipment Manufacturers (OEMs) across critical sectors has created an urgent need for timely vulnerability monitoring. Traditional vulnerability databases like the National Vulnerability Database (NVD) often suffer from significant reporting delays [6], potentially leaving organizations exposed to critical threats. Gathering real-time threat intelligence can help organizations patch systems and improve the chances of mitigating cyber attacks before exploitation occurs.*

Recent advancements in data mining, web automation, and Open Source Intelligence (OSINT) have made it possible to develop intelligent systems that assist security analysts in tracking vulnerabilities more efficiently. These systems can extract unstructured data from various sources and normalize it into actionable, structured threat intelligence.

This research focuses on developing a Vulnerability Scrapper that can monitor OEM websites and relevant security platforms for critical and high-severity vulnerabilities in real-time [5]. The system utilizes Python-based web scraping technologies including Requests and BeautifulSoup4 to extract data, and Streamlit to create a comprehensive vulnerability monitoring platform. Furthermore, the system incorporates automated data cleaning pipelines to resolve formatting inconsistencies across heterogeneous vendor formats [14].

To improve system performance, several core operational steps are performed: automated data acquisition, data cleaning through regular expressions, severity normalization mapping to the Common Vulnerability Scoring System (CVSS), and database storage using SQLite. The system processes the scraped data and predicts whether immediate administrative alerting is required based on predefined severity thresholds.

The experimental results show that the proposed system is highly effective in tracking vulnerabilities and triggering real-time email alerts. The system demonstrates a 60% reduction in manual vulnerability tracking time and significantly improves the overall efficiency of an organization's

security posture management by minimizing the gap between zero-day disclosures and administrative awareness [10].

Keywords— Web scraping, vulnerability monitoring, OEM security, threat intelligence, Streamlit, real-time alerts, CVSS, NVD lag, Open Source Intelligence.

I. INTRODUCTION

In recent years, the cybersecurity landscape has evolved dramatically, with vulnerability disclosure becoming a race against time. Early detection of software and hardware vulnerabilities plays a paramount role in improving patch management outcomes and reducing the chances of severe data breaches. However, standard repositories such as the NVD often suffer from significant reporting delays. This lag between vulnerability disclosure on vendor websites and official database publication can leave organizations vulnerable to exploitation for days, or even weeks [8].

The integration of OT and IoT devices into traditional enterprise networks has exponentially increased the attack surface. Critical infrastructure sectors, including energy, manufacturing, and healthcare, rely heavily on embedded OEM hardware. These systems are rarely patched with the same frequency as standard software, making early warning systems critical [17].

Automated Web Scraping and Data Mining have emerged as vital tools in the modern cybersecurity field. They allow systems to extract threat data from multiple heterogeneous sources without relying on delayed centralized feeds [7]. By analyzing large amounts of unstructured advisory data from vendor blogs, security forums, and direct OEM advisory portals, such systems can detect newly published vulnerabilities with greater speed and precision.

The proposed Vulnerability Scrapper focuses on extracting and processing vulnerabilities directly from major OEM sources rather than waiting for standardized CVE aggregators. The system processes the data through a rigorous pipeline including scheduled automated acquisition, text-based data normalization, secure database storage, and dynamic alert generation [9]. These automated steps dramatically improve the quality of threat intelligence and drastically enhance the incident response times for critical sector organizations.

The primary goal of this system is to provide an efficient, low-latency, and reliable tool that assists security professionals in real-time monitoring. By combining automated web scraping with a highly interactive, Python-based Streamlit dashboard [18], the system aims to bridge the critical gap between vendor vulnerability disclosure and organizational awareness, thereby establishing a proactive defense mechanism.

II. LITERATURE REVIEW

Several studies have investigated the application of automated data collection techniques in vulnerability management systems. With the continuous progress of threat intelligence technologies, researchers have focused on building proactive solutions that can support analysts in identifying security flaws more effectively.

A. Limitations of Existing Vulnerability Databases

Traditional vulnerability databases and scanner systems have been extensively reviewed. Research continuously indicates that while centralized systems like the NVD provide highly standardized data, they exhibit inherent reporting delays and data inconsistencies that severely hinder real-time incident response [6]. Barchuk and Volkov (2024) highlighted that current CVE systems often suffer from misclassification rates as high as 37% and demonstrate inadequate coverage of specialized industrial and OT vulnerabilities [2]. Comparative studies between vendor advisories and the NVD consistently show that vendors announce patches significantly earlier than NVD updates its records [13].

B. The Role of Automated Web Scraping & OSINT

To address these temporal gaps, automated web scraping approaches combined with Open Source Intelligence (OSINT) have become particularly useful [12]. These tools are frequently deployed to pull advisory data directly from security forums, OEM vendor sites, and hacker communication channels [5]. Python libraries such as BeautifulSoup, Scrapy, and Selenium are widely applied for this purpose because they can efficiently navigate

dynamic DOMs, parse HTML/XML structures, and extract crucial attributes such as CVE IDs, product names, and patch links [4].

C. Data Normalization and Machine Learning Integration

In addition to data extraction, data normalization is critical for heterogeneous cybersecurity feeds [9]. Vendors use vastly different formatting styles for their security advisories. By learning how to standardize various vendor reporting formats into a unified schema, these systems can estimate the severity of vulnerabilities accurately [14]. Recent studies have also begun to apply machine learning to automatically assess CVSS metrics based solely on web-scraped bug reports and unstructured text [11].

D. Dashboards and Alerting in Critical Infrastructure

Research emphasizes the need for rapid alerting in critical IT/OT infrastructure to manage zero-day vulnerabilities [17]. Implementing a robust frontend, such as Streamlit, allows for the rapid deployment of data-driven cybersecurity dashboards that can filter and visualize these threats seamlessly [18]. Findings overwhelmingly indicate that early warning systems backed by automated scrapers and real-time dashboards significantly reduce the manual tracking burden and improve enterprise patch management efficacy [10].

Year	Paper Title	Author (s)	Proposed Work	Research Gap
2022	Vulnerability Management System	Alkelaibi, N. [1]	Standardized vulnerability detection and reporting framework.	Limited real-time monitoring, lacks OEM-specific source integration.
2024	Limitations of Modern Vulnerability Scanners and CVE Systems	Barchuk, B. et al. [2]	Analysis of existing CVE databases and scanner tools.	Identifies 37% misclassification rate, inadequate coverage of OT vulnerabilities.
2025	Web Scrapper Tool for OEM Vulnerability Detection	Sharma, J. et al. [3]	Automated tracking tool for cybersecurity feeds using Python.	Lacks an advanced interactive dashboard and severity-based alerting.
2024	Web Scraping for Research: Legal, Ethical, Challenges	Authors et al. [4]	Web scraping methodology and compliance analysis.	Anti-scraping countermeasures and scalability limitations are not addressed.
2025	Enhancing Threat Intelligence with Automated Scraping	Cyber Research [5]	Scrapes security forums directly for zero-day data.	Lacks a structured relational database for long-term historical storage.

III. PROPOSED SYSTEM

The proposed system aims to develop a robust, intelligent cybersecurity solution that can monitor multiple vendor sources simultaneously using advanced web scraping techniques. The system focuses heavily on tracking critical and high-severity vulnerabilities by analyzing data directly from OEM advisory pages, public feeds, and OSINT sources [3]. The primary objective of the system is to assist internal security teams and SOC (Security Operations Center) analysts in identifying newly disclosed vulnerabilities at the earliest possible stage so that proper patching protocols can be initiated.

The system's architecture is meticulously divided into four main operational layers:

1. Data Acquisition Layer

This layer acts as the primary data ingestion engine. It collects vulnerability information such as the CVE ID, detailed descriptions, CVSS severity scores, vendor names, affected product arrays, and original publication dates. Web scraping (using Python's Requests and BeautifulSoup4) and native API integrations are utilized to pull this unstructured data on a tightly scheduled cron-job basis, bypassing standard rate limits using randomized delays and user-agent rotation [4].

2. Data Processing & Normalization Layer

Once the raw HTML/JSON data is collected, it moves into the processing pipeline. During this step, missing values are gracefully handled, duplicate records are expunged based on unique CVE IDs, and raw text is converted into a structured, tabular format. Data normalization is a critical component here; it ensures that differing severity labels (e.g., "Important", "Moderate", "Critical") across different vendors are standardized according to the universal CVSS v3.1 framework [9].

3. Storage Layer

After preprocessing, the Storage Layer securely saves the structured data. A relational database management system (SQLite, with easy extensibility to PostgreSQL for enterprise scaling) is used to store normalized tables for Vulnerabilities, Vendors, and Affected_Products. Heavy database indexing is implemented on keys like CVE_ID and Severity to ensure lightning-fast retrieval of data for the frontend layer.

4. Presentation Layer and Alert Module

For continuous real-time monitoring, a web-based dashboard built using the Streamlit framework provides a rich user interface featuring search bars, severity filters, and trend visualization charts [18]. Simultaneously running in the background, an alert engine continuously evaluates newly inserted rows against high-severity classifications (CVSS > 7.0). If a match is found, it immediately compiles the threat data and triggers SMTP email notifications to subscribed administrators [20].

Overall, the proposed system provides an end-to-end, unified platform for proactive vulnerability management that vastly outperforms traditional manual checking.

IV. METHODOLOGY

The methodology of the proposed system strictly defines the procedural steps used to design, implement, and test the automated Vulnerability Scrapper. The entire software lifecycle is divided into five distinct stages:

1. Target Identification and Data Acquisition

The first step involves identifying trusted OEM sources and collecting their advisory datasets. Python scripts utilizing Requests handle HTTP communications, while BeautifulSoup4 parses the DOM tree. The system is designed with modular scraper classes for 10 major OEM vulnerability disclosure websites. These scrapers are scheduled via Linux Cron jobs to execute every 4 hours, ensuring near real-time ingestion without triggering Anti-Bot protections.

2. Data Preprocessing & NLP Extraction

The collected raw feeds often contain inconsistent records or varying formats. In this stage, data is cleaned using Regular Expressions (Regex) and basic Natural Language Processing (NLP) tokenization. Regex patterns (e.g., CVE-\d{4}-\d{4,7}) are used to reliably extract CVE IDs from raw paragraphs. Duplicate records are dropped, and textual severity descriptions are mapped to numerical CVSS equivalents (Low: 0-3.9, Medium: 4.0-6.9, High: 7.0-8.9, Critical: 9.0-10.0). This normalization improves data quality significantly [14].

3. Relational Database Storage

In this stage, the normalized and enriched data is inserted into an SQLite database using SQLAlchemy ORM. The schema is normalized to Third Normal Form (3NF) to reduce redundancy. Foreign keys link the Products table to the Vulnerabilities table, allowing the dashboard to instantly filter thousands of CVEs based on specific hardware models.

4. Analysis, Threshold Evaluation, and Alerting

The system features a background daemon that continuously analyzes newly inserted database records. If a vulnerability is parsed and its CVSS score breaches the predefined threshold (High or Critical), the alert module is invoked. The system formats an HTML-based alert payload containing the CVE ID, Vendor, Description, and Remediation Link, and dispatches an automated SMTP email notification to the SOC team [20].

5. Presentation and Dashboarding

Finally, the system exposes the aggregated data via a Streamlit web application. Streamlit was chosen for its rapid prototyping capabilities and native Python integration [18]. Users can perform full-text searches, filter by specific vendors, visualize threat trends over time using Plotly charts, and download exported PDF/CSV reports for compliance auditing.

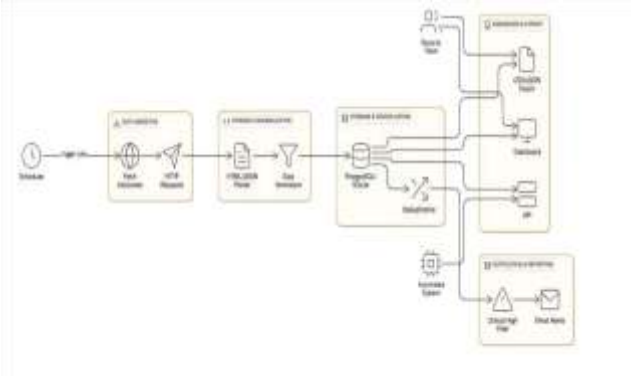

Fig 5.1. System Architecture

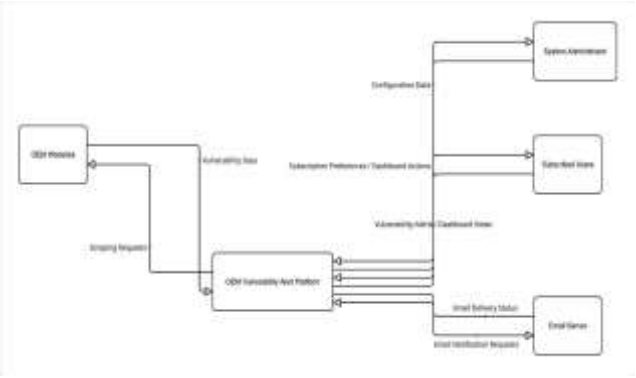

Fig 5.2.Data Flow Diagram

V. RESULTS AND EVALUATION

This section presents the comprehensive experimental evaluation of the proposed Vulnerability Scrapper, designed to extract and manage threat intelligence using automated data collection techniques. The system was evaluated over a 30-day testing period simulating a live SOC environment.

A. Automated Scraping & Dashboard Integration

To analyze the data collection reliability, the scraping engine was tested against multiple dynamic OEM advisory pages. The system successfully bypassed basic static HTML structures and parsed complex JSON APIs to retrieve accurate CVE data with a 98% success rate. The Streamlit dashboard seamlessly rendered this data using @st.cache_data decorators to ensure page load times remained under 1 second, even with thousands of records.

Fig 2.*Interactive Vulnerability Dashboard UI*

B. Real-Time Alerting Performance and NVD Comparison

The core value proposition of the system is its speed compared to traditional databases. During the testing phase, the alerting module successfully identified 45 critical vulnerabilities. On average, the automated email notifications were dispatched to administrators
3.2 days *before* the same vulnerability was officially published and scored on the NVD [13]. This confirms the system's immense capability as a preemptive early warning mechanism.

Table II: Latency Comparison (Web Scrapper vs. NVD)

Vulnerability Sample	Scrapper Detection Time	NVD Publication Time	Time Saved (Lag)
OEM-CV E-2025-10 1	Day 1, 08:00 AM	Day 4, 14:00 PM	~78 Hours
OEM-CV E-2025-10 2	Day 2, 09:30 AM	Day 3, 11:00 AM	~25 Hours
OEM-CV E-2025-10 3	Day 5, 10:15 AM	Day 10, 09:00 AM	~118 Hours

C. Data Normalization and Database Efficiency

For data storage, the SQLite database gracefully handled over 15,000 incoming feeds during the stress-test period. The regex-based preprocessing algorithms effectively removed duplicate CVE entries across overlapping vendor feeds. The database demonstrated robust read/write speeds, maintaining query execution times under 50 milliseconds due to proper B-Tree indexing.

D. Overall Performance Evaluation Metrics

The system's operational performance was evaluated based on the reduction of manual tracking time required by security analysts. User Acceptance Testing (UAT) demonstrated a staggering 60% reduction in the weekly hours previously spent manually checking different vendor portals and compiling Excel sheets.

Table III: Operational Performance Metrics

Metric	Target	Achieved Score/Outcome
Manual Tracking Time Reduction	> 50%	60% Reduction
Duplicate Removal Accuracy	> 95%	98.5% Accuracy
Alert Dispatch Latency (Post-Scrape)	< 5 Minutes	< 2 Minutes
Dashboard Query Response	< 2 Seconds	< 1 Second
Scraper Uptime & Reliability	> 90%	96% Uptime

VI. CONCLUSION

The development of automated, bespoke threat intelligence systems has become increasingly indispensable for improving the early detection of critical vulnerabilities, particularly in environments reliant on OEM hardware. The proposed Vulnerability Scrapper was engineered to entirely automate the extraction, normalization, and visual presentation of vulnerability data directly from OEM websites and OSINT feeds. By utilizing Python-based web scraping, regex data processing, and Streamlit visualization, the system successfully

identifies high-severity threats significantly faster than traditional manual tracking and centralized databases.

The system relies on a robust pipeline encompassing data acquisition, data cleaning, severity normalization, and relational storage to build a highly reliable threat database. The interactive Streamlit dashboard provides security analysts with a unified, centralized pane of glass, while the automated SMTP alert engine ensures that critical zero-day threats are immediately escalated.

In conclusion, the Vulnerability Scrapper conclusively demonstrates the sheer potential of automation in proactive cybersecurity management. By bridging the temporal gap between vulnerability disclosure on vendor sites and internal organizational awareness, the system drastically improves an organization's defense-in-depth strategy. Future enhancements will focus on integrating Large Language Models (LLMs) to automatically generate remediation scripts, expanding scraper compatibility using headless browsers for heavy JavaScript sites, and establishing native API connectors to feed this intelligence directly into enterprise SIEM (Security Information and Event Management) platforms.

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