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A02:2025	Security Misconfiguration	Security misconfiguration is when a system, application, or cloud service is set up incorrectly from a security perspective, creating vulnerabilities. The application might be vulnerable if: It is missing appropriate security hardening across any part of the application stack or improperly configured permissions on cloud services. Unnecessary features are enabled or installed (e.g., unnecessary ports, services, pages, accounts, testing frameworks, or privileges). Default accounts and their passwords are still enabled and unchanged. A lack of central configuration for intercepting excessive error messages. Error handling reveals stack traces or other overly informative error messages to users. For upgraded systems, the latest security features are disabled or not configured securely. Excessive prioritization of backward compatibility leading to insecure configuration. The security settings in the application servers, application frameworks (e.g., Struts, Spring, ASP.NET), libraries, databases, etc., are not set to secure values. The server does not send security headers or directives, or they are not set to secure values. Without a concerted, repeatable application security configuration hardening process, systems are at a higher risk.	Functional	Intersects With	External Connectivity Requirements - Identification of Ports, Protocols & Services	TPM-04.2	Mechanisms exist to require External Service Providers (ESPs) to identify and document the business need for ports, protocols and other services it requires to operate its Technology Assets, Applications and/or Services (TAAS).	5	
A02:2025	Security Misconfiguration	Security misconfiguration is when a system, application, or cloud service is set up incorrectly from a security perspective, creating vulnerabilities. The application might be vulnerable if: It is missing appropriate security hardening across any part of the application stack or improperly configured permissions on cloud services. Unnecessary features are enabled or installed (e.g., unnecessary ports, services, pages, accounts, testing frameworks, or privileges). Default accounts and their passwords are still enabled and unchanged. A lack of central configuration for intercepting excessive error messages. Error handling reveals stack traces or other overly informative error messages to users. For upgraded systems, the latest security features are disabled or not configured securely. Excessive prioritization of backward compatibility leading to insecure configuration. The security settings in the application servers, application frameworks (e.g., Struts, Spring, ASP.NET), libraries, databases, etc., are not set to secure values. The server does not send security headers or directives, or they are not set to secure values. Without a concerted, repeatable application security configuration hardening process, systems are at a higher risk.	Functional	Intersects With	Third-Party Processing, Storage and Service Locations	TPM-04.4	Mechanisms exist to restrict the location of information processing/storage based on business requirements.	5	
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A04-2025	Cryptographic Failures	Generally speaking, all data in transit should be encrypted at the transport layer (OSI layer 4). Previous hurdles such as CPU performance and private key/certificate management are now handled by CPUs having instructions designed to accelerate encryption (eg: AES support) and private key and certificate management being simplified by services like LetsEncrypt.org with major cloud vendors providing even more tightly integrated certificate management services for their specific platforms. Beyond securing the transport layer, it is important to determine what data needs encryption at rest as well as what data needs extra encryption in transit (at the application layer, OSI layer 7). For example, passwords, credit card numbers, health records, personal information, and business secrets require extra protection, especially if that data falls under privacy laws, e.g. EU's General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), or regulations such as PCI Data Security Standard (PCI DSS). For all such data: Are any old or weak cryptographic algorithms or protocols used either by default or in older code? Are default crypto keys in use, are weak crypto keys generated, are keys re-used, or is proper key management and rotation missing? Are crypto keys checked into source code repositories? Is encryption not enforced, e.g., are any HTTP headers (browser) security directives or headers missing? Is the received server certificate and the trust chain properly validated? Are initialization vectors ignored, reused, or not generated sufficiently secure for the cryptographic mode of operation? Is an insecure mode of operation such as ECB in use? Is encryption used when authenticated encryption is more appropriate? Are passwords being used as cryptographic keys in the absence of a password based key derivation function? Is randomness used that was not designed to meet cryptographic requirements? Even if the correct function is chosen, does it need to be seeded by the developer, and if not, has the developer over-written the strong seeding functionality built into it with a seed that lacks sufficient entropy/unpredictability? Are deprecated hash functions such as MD5 or SHA1 in use, or are non-cryptographic hash functions used when cryptographic hash functions are	Functional	Intersects With	Developer Architecture & Design	TDA-05	Mechanisms exist to require the developers of Technology Assets, Applications and/or Services (TAAS) to produce a design specification and security architecture that: (1) is consistent with and supportive of the organization's security architecture which is established within and is an integrated part of the organization's enterprise architecture; (2) Accurately and completely describes the required security functionality and the allocation of security, compliance and resilience controls among physical and logical components; and (3) Expresses how individual security functions, mechanisms and services work together to provide required security capabilities and a unified approach to protection.	5	
A04-2025	Cryptographic Failures	Generally speaking, all data in transit should be encrypted at the transport layer (OSI layer 4). Previous hurdles such as CPU performance and private key/certificate management are now handled by CPUs having instructions designed to accelerate encryption (eg: AES support) and private key and certificate management being simplified by services like LetsEncrypt.org with major cloud vendors providing even more tightly integrated certificate management services for their specific platforms. Beyond securing the transport layer, it is important to determine what data needs encryption at rest as well as what data needs extra encryption in transit (at the application layer, OSI layer 7). For example, passwords, credit card numbers, health records, personal information, and business secrets require extra protection, especially if that data falls under privacy laws, e.g. EU's General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), or regulations such as PCI Data Security Standard (PCI DSS). For all such data: Are any old or weak cryptographic algorithms or protocols used either by default or in older code? Are default crypto keys in use, are weak crypto keys generated, are keys re-used, or is proper key management and rotation missing? Are crypto keys checked into source code repositories? Is encryption not enforced, e.g., are any HTTP headers (browser) security directives or headers missing? Is the received server certificate and the trust chain properly validated? Are initialization vectors ignored, reused, or not generated sufficiently secure for the cryptographic mode of operation? Is an insecure mode of operation such as ECB in use? Is encryption used when authenticated encryption is more appropriate? Are passwords being used as cryptographic keys in the absence of a password based key derivation function? Is randomness used that was not designed to meet cryptographic requirements? Even if the correct function is chosen, does it need to be seeded by the developer, and if not, has the developer over-written the strong seeding functionality built into it with a seed that lacks sufficient entropy/unpredictability? Are deprecated hash functions such as MD5 or SHA1 in use, or are non-cryptographic hash functions used when cryptographic hash functions are	Functional	Intersects With	Secure Software Development Practices (SSDP)	TDA-06	Mechanisms exist to develop applications based on Secure Software Development Practices (SSDP).	8	

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A04-2025	Cryptographic Failures	Generally speaking, all data in transit should be encrypted at the transport layer (OSI layer 4). Previous hurdles such as CPU performance and private key/certificate management are now handled by CPUs having instructions designed to accelerate encryption (eg. AES support) and private key and certificate management being simplified by services like LetsEncrypt.org with major cloud vendors providing even more tightly integrated certificate management services for their specific platforms. Beyond securing the transport layer, it is important to determine what data needs encryption at rest as well as what data needs extra encryption in transit (at the application layer, OSI layer 7). For example, passwords, credit card numbers, health records, personal information, and business secrets require extra protection, especially if that data falls under privacy laws, e.g. EU's General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), or regulations such as PCI Data Security Standard (PCI DSS). For all such data: Are any old or weak cryptographic algorithms or protocols used either by default or in older code? Are default crypto keys in use, are weak crypto keys generated, are keys re-used, or is proper key management and rotation missing? Are crypto keys checked into source code repositories? Is encryption not enforced, e.g., are any HTTP headers (browser) security directives or headers missing? Is the received server certificate and the trust chain properly validated? Are initialization vectors ignored, reused, or not generated sufficiently secure for the cryptographic mode of operation? Is an insecure mode of operation such as ECB in use? Is encryption used when authenticated encryption is more appropriate? Are passwords being used as cryptographic keys in the absence of a password based key derivation function? Is randomness used that was not designed to meet cryptographic requirements? Even if the correct function is chosen, does it need to be seeded by the developer, and if not, has the developer over-written the strong seeding functionality built into it with a seed that lacks sufficient entropy/unpredictability? Are deprecated hash functions such as MD5 or SHA1 in use, or are non-cryptographic hash functions used when cryptographic hash functions are	Functional	Intersects With	Dynamic Code Analysis	TDA-09.3	Mechanisms exist to require the developers of Technology Assets, Applications and/or Services (TAAS) to employ dynamic code analysis tools to identify and remediate common flaws and document the results of the analysis.	5	

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A05-2025	Injection	An injection vulnerability is an application flaw that allows untrusted user input to be sent to an interpreter (e.g. a browser, database, the command line) and causes the interpreter to execute parts of that input as commands. An application is vulnerable to attack when: User-supplied data is not validated, filtered, or sanitized by the application. Dynamic queries or non-parameterized calls without context-aware escaping are used directly in the interpreter. Unsensitized data is used within object-relational mapping (ORM) search parameters to extract additional, sensitive records. Potentially hostile data is directly used or concatenated. The SQL or command contains the structure and malicious data in dynamic queries, commands, or stored procedures. Some of the more common injections are SQL, NoSQL, OS command, Object Relational Mapping (ORM), LDAP, and Expression Language (EL) or Object Graph Navigation Library (OGNLI) injection. The concept is identical among all interpreters. Detection is best achieved by a combination of source code review along with automated testing (including fuzzing) of all parameters, headers, URL, cookies, JSON, SOAP, and XML data inputs. The addition of static (SAST), dynamic (DAST), and interactive (IAST) application security testing tools into the CI/CD pipeline can also be helpful to identify injection flaws before production deployment. A related class of injection vulnerabilities has become common in LLMs. These are discussed separately in the OWASP LLM Top 10, specifically LLM01:2025 Prompt Injection.	Functional	Intersects With	Configuration Management Program	CFG-01	Mechanisms exist to facilitate the implementation of configuration management controls.	8	
A05-2025	Injection	An injection vulnerability is an application flaw that allows untrusted user input to be sent to an interpreter (e.g. a browser, database, the command line) and causes the interpreter to execute parts of that input as commands. An application is vulnerable to attack when: User-supplied data is not validated, filtered, or sanitized by the application. Dynamic queries or non-parameterized calls without context-aware escaping are used directly in the interpreter. Unsensitized data is used within object-relational mapping (ORM) search parameters to extract additional, sensitive records. Potentially hostile data is directly used or concatenated. The SQL or command contains the structure and malicious data in dynamic queries, commands, or stored procedures. Some of the more common injections are SQL, NoSQL, OS command, Object Relational Mapping (ORM), LDAP, and Expression Language (EL) or Object Graph Navigation Library (OGNLI) injection. The concept is identical among all interpreters. Detection is best achieved by a combination of source code review along with automated testing (including fuzzing) of all parameters, headers, URL, cookies, JSON, SOAP, and XML data inputs. The addition of static (SAST), dynamic (DAST), and interactive (IAST) application security testing tools into the CI/CD pipeline can also be helpful to identify injection flaws before production deployment. A related class of injection vulnerabilities has become common in LLMs. These are discussed separately in the OWASP LLM Top 10, specifically LLM01:2025 Prompt Injection.	Functional	Intersects With	Secure Baseline Configurations	CFG-02	Mechanisms exist to develop, document and maintain secure baseline configurations for Technology Assets, Applications and/or Services (TAAS) that are consistent with industry-accepted system hardening standards.	5	
A05-2025	Injection	An injection vulnerability is an application flaw that allows untrusted user input to be sent to an interpreter (e.g. a browser, database, the command line) and causes the interpreter to execute parts of that input as commands. An application is vulnerable to attack when: User-supplied data is not validated, filtered, or sanitized by the application. Dynamic queries or non-parameterized calls without context-aware escaping are used directly in the interpreter. Unsensitized data is used within object-relational mapping (ORM) search parameters to extract additional, sensitive records. Potentially hostile data is directly used or concatenated. The SQL or command contains the structure and malicious data in dynamic queries, commands, or stored procedures. Some of the more common injections are SQL, NoSQL, OS command, Object Relational Mapping (ORM), LDAP, and Expression Language (EL) or Object Graph Navigation Library (OGNLI) injection. The concept is identical among all interpreters. Detection is best achieved by a combination of source code review along with automated testing (including fuzzing) of all parameters, headers, URL, cookies, JSON, SOAP, and XML data inputs. The addition of static (SAST), dynamic (DAST), and interactive (IAST) application security testing tools into the CI/CD pipeline can also be helpful to identify injection flaws before production deployment. A related class of injection vulnerabilities has become common in LLMs. These are discussed separately in the OWASP LLM Top 10, specifically LLM01:2025 Prompt Injection.	Functional	Intersects With	Least Functionality	CFG-03	Mechanisms exist to configure systems to provide only essential capabilities by specifically prohibiting or restricting the use of ports, protocols, and/or services.	5	
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