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Project Plan Presentation

Hybrid Cyberattack Simulator

The Capstone Experience

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From Students…
…to Professionals

Project Sponsor Overview

VECTRA®

- Leader in Cybersecurity
- Focus on network security
- Utilizes AI to detect, investigate, and report attacks
- Modular security to provide customized coverage

Project Functional Specifications

- Vectra's AI models need relevant training data to maintain accuracy
- Several more network protocols and hybrid attack capabilities are being added to the Command & Control (C2) Simulator
- Vectra will be able to prepare for diversified attacks using many different protocols and attack vectors

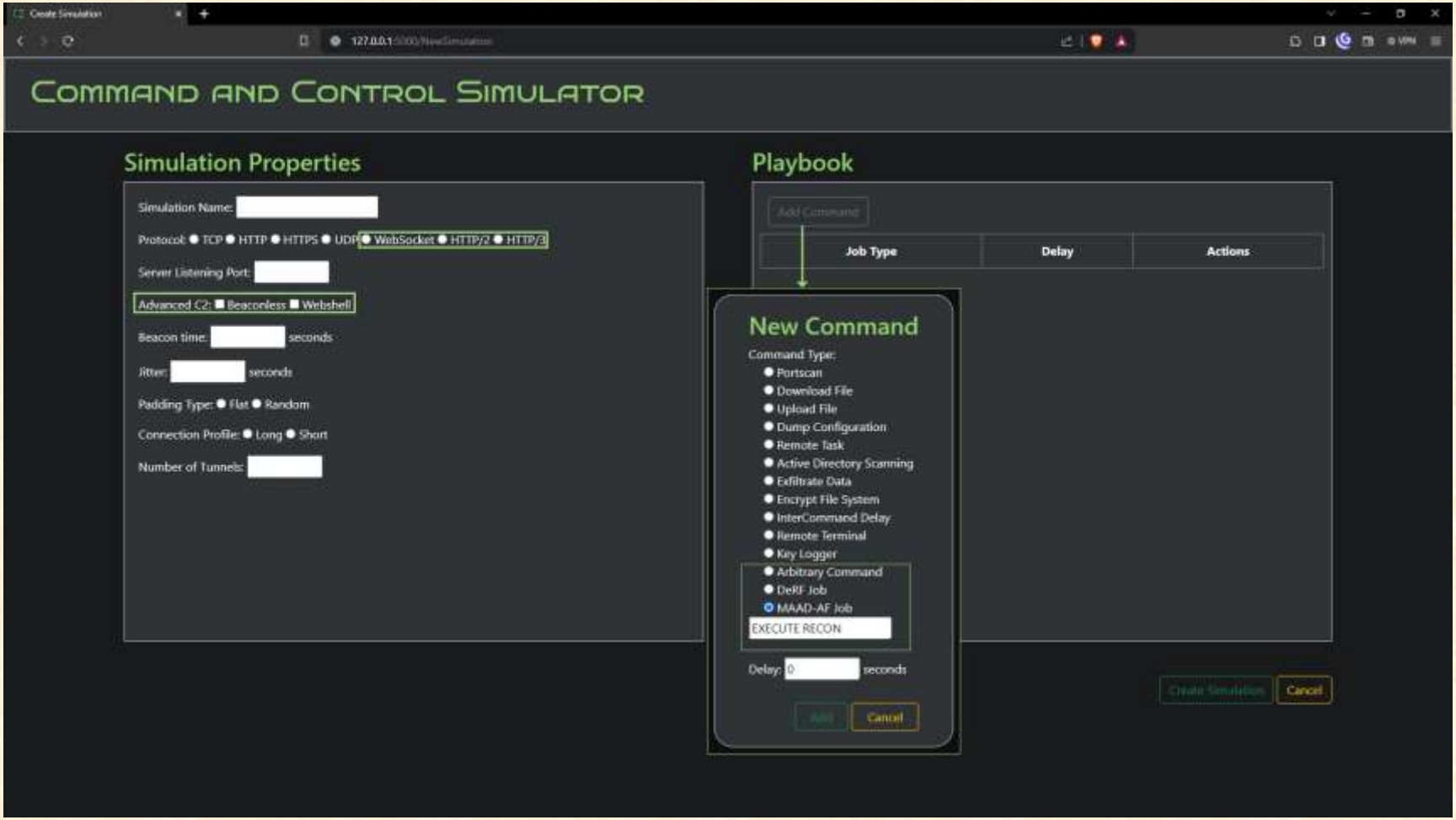
Project Design Specifications

- Hybrid Attack Simulation
  - MAAD-AF
  - DeRF
- Advanced C2
  - Webshells
  - Beaconless servers
- UI Enhancements

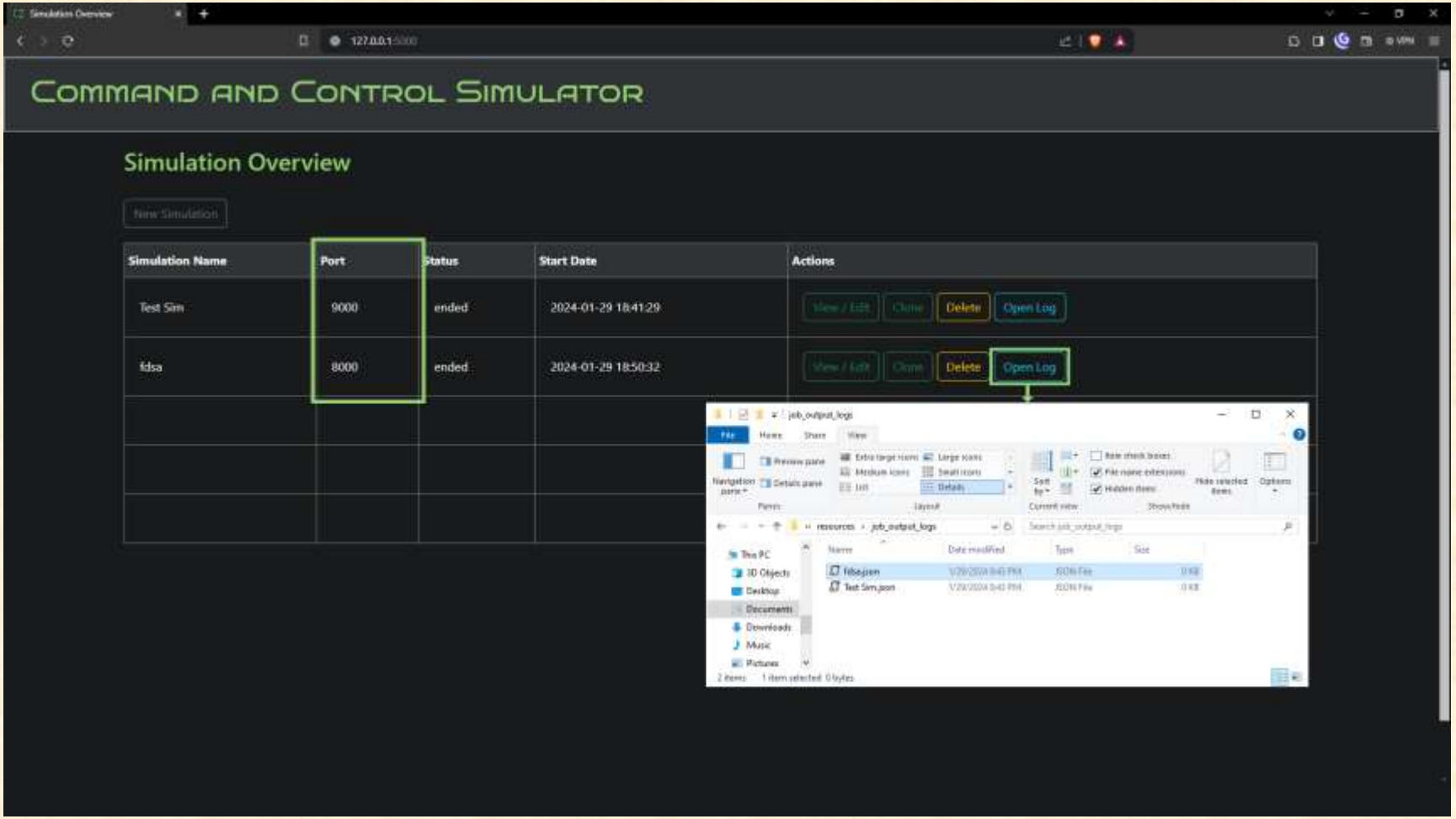
Screen Mockup: Simulation Overview with Playbook Display

Screen Mockup: Simulation Overview with Browser Display

Screen Mockup: Create Simulation Page



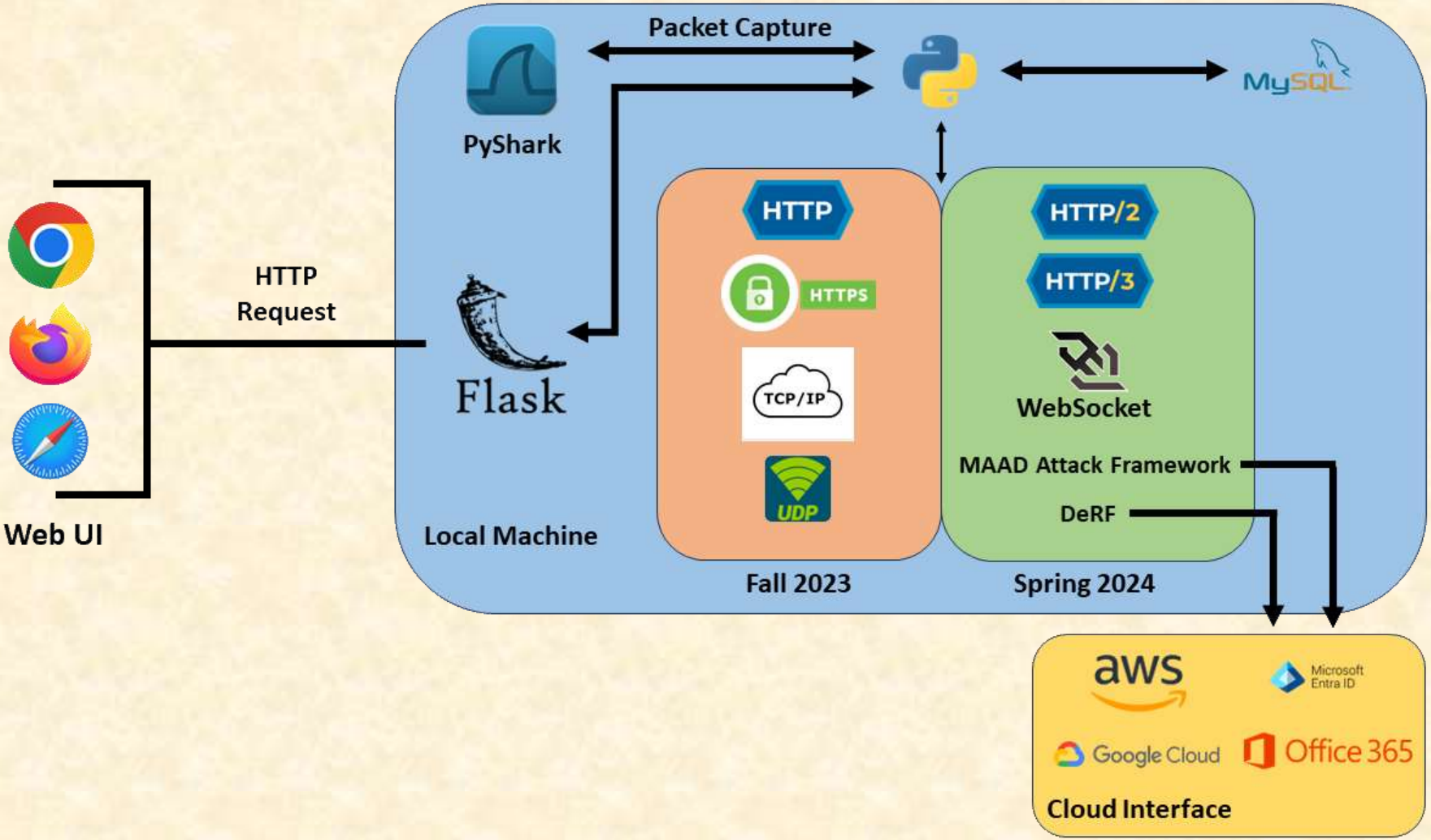
Screen Mockup: Simulation Overview Page



Project Technical Specifications

- Implementing WebSocket, HTTP/2 and HTTP/3
- Also adding MAAD-AF and DeRF frameworks for Hybrid Attacks
- PyShark library to capture network packets, and MySQL to store them
- All of this is built on Python3

Project System Architecture



Project System Components

- Hardware Platforms
  - AWS Server
  - Google Cloud Server
  - Two Lab PCs
- Software Platforms / Technologies
  - Python
  - MySQL
  - Flask
  - VSCode

Project Risks

- Compatibility
  - Make sure all third-party apps work together
  - Using active libraries and using version control
- Generating realistic data
  - Generate realistic enough data for AI models to train on
  - Analyzing real world attacks and mimicking their outputs
- Performance Issues
  - Make large amounts of data in reasonable amounts of time
  - Spending time optimizing code; looking at distributed computing
- Portability
  - The program needs to be able to run on multiple OS without issue
  - Using cross-platform libraries and allowing API calls to server to abstract user operating system

Questions?