

CSE 4481
COMPUTER SECURITY LAB

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Introduction

Security

- ▣ Our life depends on computer systems
 - Traffic control
 - Banking
 - Medical equipment
 - Internet
 - Social networks
- ▣ Growing number of attacks on computer systems

Security

- ▣ Hacker may not be a computer expert
 - Numerous attacking scripts / tools available
 - Hacker training material also available

Security

- ▣ Results from malicious attack
 - Financial loss
 - Loss of reputation
 - A drop in the value of a company's stock
 - Legal issues

Statistics (2009)

- ▣ 85% of attacks were not considered highly difficult
- ▣ 96% of breaches were avoidable through simple or intermediate control
- ▣ 48% involved privileges misuse
- ▣ 86% of victims had evidence of the breach in their log files

Statistics (2013)

- ▣ 78% of attacks were not considered highly difficult
- ▣ 13% involved privileges misuse
- ▣ 75% of attacks were opportunistic

Method of Entry (2013)

- ▣ 47% → Remote Access
- ▣ 26% → SQL Injection
- ▣ 18% → Unknown
- ▣ 2% → Client-Side Attack
- ▣ 2% → Remote File Inclusion
- ▣ 3% → Remote Code Execution
- ▣ 1% → Authorization Flaw
- ▣ 1% → Physical Theft

Method of Entry (2014)

- ▣ 31% → Weak Passwords
- ▣ 25% → *Unknown*
- ▣ 12% → *File upload flaw*
- ▣ 10% → *Vulnerable off-the-shelf software*
- ▣ 8% → *SQL injection*
- ▣ 6% → *Phishing*
- ▣ 4% → *Authorization flaw*
- ▣ 4% → *Remote file inclusion, physical access or directory traversal*

Spam (2014)

- ▣ 59% of malicious spam included attachments
- ▣ 41% of malicious spam included malicious links
- ▣ 70% of inbox mail was spam

Intrusion to Containment (2013)

- ▣ 5% → >2Years
- ▣ 14% → 2Years
- ▣ 25% → 181-365 Days
- ▣ 20% → 91-180 Days
- ▣ 27% → 31-90 Days
- ▣ 4% → 10-30 Days
- ▣ 5% → <10 Days

Statistics (2014)

- ▣ 71% of victims did not detect a breach themselves
- ▣ 67% of victims were able to contain it within 10 days
- ▣ The median number of days between the date of the initial intrusion and detection of the breach was 87 days
- ▣ The median number of days between the date of the initial intrusion and containment of the breach was 114 days

Course Objectives

- ▣ Hands on experience in various security topics
 - Execution of popular attacks
 - Attack prevention and risk mitigation

Attack Examples

- ▣ Network (sniffing, session hijacking)
- ▣ Password Cracking
- ▣ Web
- ▣ Code injection
- ▣ Overflows (Buffer, Number)

Defence Techniques

- ▣ Auditing
- ▣ Vulnerability scanners
- ▣ Firewalls (Network and application)
- ▣ Intrusion Preventions and Detections
- ▣ Honeypots

Administrivia

Marking Scheme

- ▣ The performance of the students will be evaluated as a combination of
 - 7 labs (18%)
 - Term Project (67%)
 - Project presentation (5%)
 - Game (5% + bonus)
 - Participation (5%)
- ▣ Labs are worth 3%
 - Lab mark:
 - 1 → at least 50% + lab participation
 - 2 → at least 75% + lab participation
 - 3 → 100% + lab participation

Labs

- ❑ Completed task must be demonstrated to the instructor
- ❑ Lab reports are optional
- ❑ The lab report must be a short, precise and professional document (title, table of contents, page numbering etc)
- ❑ The lab report must contain sufficient evidence that you completed the lab exercise
- ❑ Code developed during the labs is expected to be **simple**
- ❑ Developed applications are **prototypes**

Report antipattern

- ▣ Screenshots are attached
 - Figure number? Figure description?
- ▣ “I verified DNS configuration using nslookup”
 - How? Evidence?
- ▣ “I created a folder named ‘xxx’ and gave read/write and execute permission ...”
 - How? Evidence?
- ▣ “I developed a script ...”
 - Evidence? Script source code?

Term Project

- ▣ Project consists of four phases
 - Implementation
 - Security testing
 - Fixing security bugs
 - QA phase
- ▣ Developed application is a **final product**
- ▣ The project report must be a detailed, precise and professional document (title, table of contents, page numbering etc)

Report Antipattern

- ▣ Design is just a list of functions
- ▣ Design justification : “The design is flexible”
 - Why is the design flexible?
- ▣ Test case : “Run the application”
 - What are the user inputs?
What are the expected results?

Game

- ▣ Developer
 - Project presentation
- ▣ QA
 - Review project design
 - Penetrate other projects
- ▣ IT Security
 - Secure infrastructure

Lab 1

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- ▣ Bandit game
- ▣ Social Engineering