



Final Review Guide



Logistics

- Finals Week Monday, June 6th, 11:30am - 2:30pm
- On Gradescope
- Zoom + Camera
- Open course material (notes, lecture slides, discussion slides, etc.)
- Close Internet (no Google, etc.)
- Use Piazza for clarification
- Final will cover everything



TL;DR

- PAs
 - Should be able to re-do and explain everything
- Attack
 - What is it attacking? What is its goal?
 - Prerequisites?
 - How does it work?
 - How to mitigate?
- Mitigation
 - What is it mitigating?
 - How does it work?
 - Any trade-off?
- Concept
 - Definition
 - Example



The Security Mindset

- Assets
- Properties (CIA triad)
- Adversaries, Risk assessment (Threat Model)
- Countermeasures
- Costs/benefits
- Should be able to analyze these for most attacks/defenses learned in this quarter



Low Level Security

- Stack layout
- Stack vs. Heap vs. Data vs. Text
- Some x86 instructions
- Purpose of common registers
- C function calls
- Exploits in PA1
 - What are the bugs?
 - How to exploit those bugs?
- Should be able to re-do PA1



Low Level Security Common Attacks and Defenses

- Return-Oriented-Programming (ROP)
- User-After-Free (UAF), Dangling pointer
- Canaries
- ASLR
- W^X
- Should be able to describe
 - Their purpose
 - How they works



More Low Level Defense (Not on final)

- Control-Flow Integrity
 - Makes sure control can only flow to legitimate places
 - Coarse grained vs. Fine grained
- Shadow Stack
 - Separate control stack and data stack
- Both are supported by latest CPU hardware



Isolation

- Six Principles of Secure System Design
 - Definition
 - Example
- Process memory isolation
- Unix permission system (ACL and uids)
- ACL vs. Capabilities
- Software-Fault-Isolation (SFI)
 - Kernel
 - Browser
 - VM
- Should be able to give definition and examples



Side Channel

- Cache timing side channel attacks
 - Basic idea
- Mem and Time hack in PA2
 - Should be able to describe steps
- Mitigation
 - Name a few



Web

- HTTP
 - Methods
 - Common/security-related headers
 - Common status code
- Cookie
 - Purpose
 - How to set and use
 - SameSite



Web

- Browser
 - Load and execute content
 - Frame and iFrame
 - Document Object Model (DOM)
 - DOM and JS
 - Same Origin Policy (SOP)
- HTML
 - Just some common tags and attributes



Web Attacks and Defenses

- Phishing
- Client-Side Injection
 - Cross Site Scripting (XSS)
- Server-Side Injection
 - SQL Injection
 - SQL basics
 - Mitigations
- Cross Site Request Forgery (CSRF)
- Should be able to do these by hand



Network

- Layers
 - Application
 - Transport
 - Network
 - Link
 - Physical
- IP
 - Addresses
 - IPv4 vs. IPv6
- TCP
 - 3-Way Handshake
- Basics of other protocols mentioned (ARP, BGP, UDP, etc.)
 - Purpose and layer
- Common ports



Network

- DNS
 - Purpose
 - Hierarchy
- Basics of attacks
 - Eavesdropping
 - Injection
 - Spoofing
 - Misdirection
 - etc.



Network

- Basics of defenses (basic idea + pro/con)
 - Firewalls
 - Default allow/deny
 - NIDS
 - Honeypots
- NAT
 - Purpose
 - Pro/Con



Crypto

- Symmetric-key
 - Block Ciphers
 - Hash Function (MD5, SHA1, SHA2, SHA3)
 - MAC
 - What property do they give?
- Public-key (should be able to do these by hand)
 - Diffie-Hellman Key Exchange
 - RSA
 - RSA Signatures
 - Bleichenbacher RSA Signature Forgery



Crypto

- TLS, SSH, IPsec
- Constructing a secure encrypted channel
- Public Key
 - Trust On First Use (TOFU)
 - Certificate Authority (CA)
 - Web of Trust (e.g., PGP)
- TLS + DH key exchange



Authentication

- Protecting Password
- One-Time Passcode
- Biometrics
- Good/Bad Examples + possible attack



Privacy & Law

- Kinds of privacy
- Anonymous Communication Challenges
- PGP
- TOR
- Principles
- CFAA, DMCA, etc.