

(Week 13) Cybersecurity and data privacy

What is meant by cybersecurity?

Cybersecurity is about protecting technology, but it is also about protecting information that information can include data about your behaviors such as:
What you do? Where you go? What you buy?
What you eat? Which websites you visit?

Consumer privacy strategies?

- be open and honest about consumer data
- protect consumer data by default
- Have clear and concise communication about privacy

Defining privacy:-

- the right to be left alone (being free from unwanted or undue intrusion or disturbance in one's private life or affairs)
- the state of being apart from other people or concealed from their view
- freedom from intrusion, interference, scrutiny or surveillance

Data / information privacy:-

- the right to have some control over your personal information (Activity, identity, about you)
- how, when, where and why it is collected and used
- only used for its intended purpose

Why privacy-consumer :-

- economic loss/identity theft / fraud meaning someone takes your personal information and use it to steal from you
- Dignity loss / Embarrassment that could someone find out the web site you may be viewing at home
- Discrimination is another potential privacy concern if someone learns about your political views and disagree
- Control over information / loss self determination individuals should have control over their information and know how it may be used, shared and stored
- Confidence and trust. if you feel your privacy has been violated, you have less trust in that institution

Why privacy-Business (3Rs)

- Reputation السمعة
- Revenue الربح
- Regulation الأنظمة

Verizon Data Breach investigations Report (DBIR)

- Ransomware
- Human element / social engineering / phishing
- Human error
- Web application vulnerabilities
- Credentials / user-ids and passwords

He (DBIR):

is an annual publication that analyzes information security incidents with a specific focus on data breaches

What is personal/protected information (PI)?
identifies an individual or household

- who they are like (full name, passport number, tele no date of birth)
- where they are physically located or even logically on the internet
- what they are (finger print, facial recognition)
- what they are doing (personal info such as web viewing and other source of habits)

What is personally Identifiable Information (PII)?
is information that find you as an individual and include your name, address, number

What is protect Health information (PHI)
is all individually identifiable health information, including demographic data, medical histories, test results and other information used to identify a patient or provide health care services

protected data life cycle and data processing stages

- It starts with collection or generation for example when I sign up on a new site with my demographic information it can also be generated from other data. think of this as the birth of the data element in your system
- once the data is initiated, it is transmitted across networks. for example. from the website to a backend database
- processing is the next stage in the data life cycle Data is used within computer applications to complete a task, such as credit card processing or validating my identity
- protected data is often stored for future use this storage can take a few seconds to confirm a valid credit card purchase for too many years to meet data retention regulation
- Another possible stage in data's life cycle is sharing with other validated parties and disclosure to the individual this may be required by regulation
- the last stage is destroying the data when it is no longer required

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Cybersecurity

Internet of things (IOT) :-

refers to any thing connected to a network, such as computers, laptops and desktop computers as well as those we don't see in our cars, TVs, speakers the cloud :- which enables systems, applications, and data to be reached from anywhere using almost any device. All these devices require security to ensure they are only being used for their intended purpose.

What is cyber security?

it is the practice of protecting critical systems and sensitive information from digital attack eg: company's valuable digital sets such as customers information and the code files can be targeted and attacked by malicious actors

to safeguard these digital assets the company must leverage tools techniques and policies to actively protect the asset from these attacks

The 3 key mantras of a security mindset?

- 1- trust. but verify (check everything you do)
- 2- stop. think. connect (take a few seconds to think)
- 3- if you see something. say something (make report)

Security trends:-

How:- phishing - ransomware - business email compromise
No.1 way for scams:- social engineering

New ways:- smart devices - IOT - cloud services

More opportunities:- Cybersecurity professionals

phishing variations:-

- spear phishing
- whaling
- SMS-ishing (smishing)
- vishing (voice mail)
- instant message (chat)

Ransomware:-

- Malicious software
- Block access to computer system
- offer accept Bitcoin as payment

Business Email Compromise (BEC):-

- Access to a business email account
- imitates the owners identity
- Defraud the company and its employees, customers or partners

Social engineering and scams:-

An attempt to trick someone into revealing info like pass that can be used to attack system

Smart devices, IOT and cloud services +

security challenges:-

- only authorized people and systems have access
- used in ways they were intended

The CIA triad:-

- Confidentiality that means to protect the info from unauthorized users (No one can see your private information)
- integrity which means make sure the data is reliable and accurate (No one has modified your accounts)
- Availability which means ensure the data and system is available when needed (you can get to your money when you need it)

the principles of least privilege:-

is all about controlling who can or cannot gain access to something such as a database or a device. It involves giving people the minimum privileges or permissions needed to do their job.

To fail safe:-

means to anticipate how things can go wrong and to ensure when it does things are in a safe state and the safe state should be default.

the layers that protecting data - (protections)

Data → Application → Host → Network

policies, procedure, Audits ← physical ← perimeter

Defense in depth examples

- encryption
- malware protections
- Host and network firewalls
- multi factor authentication

(week 15) security controls, risk management
and the hacked minds of

• security principles :-

① economy of mechanism

- keep things small and simple.
- Bigger is not better. it just means there's more to protect and complexity is an enemy of security.

• complex systems are harder to defend bco you need to understand all of the ways to access them and how processes can be broken to allow unauthorized activities.

• fail-safe defaults :-

ensure a safe state by default when it fails

- fail smart (fail open)

• walk in freezer power goes out (fail) door open by default (safe)

• internet website; firewall fails website shut by default (safe) (fail shut)

• Least privilege :-

only have the access you need

- employee badges
- administrator rights

- choke points and defense in depth:-
- Choke point - only way in or out
- Defense in depth - layers of security

• Governance :-

process to meet business goals and objectives

• Compliance :-

following established rules

→ It is having a framework for structuring how your system and data are secured governance helps with processes when it comes to meeting business

→ the process of meeting a third party's requirements for digital security with the aim of enabling business operations in a particular market or with a particular customer.

CIS cybersecurity Best practices

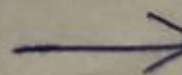
CIS means :- (Center of internet security)

- CIS controls
- CIS Benchmarks

* CIS Controls :-

implementation steps :-

- 20 actions in order of priority
- provide defense in depth



• Three levels:-

a. Basic controls

b. Foundational controls

c. organization controls

Basic controls:- (controls that should done every organization)

1- Inventory and control of Hardware assets

2- inventory and control of software assets

3- continuous vulnerability management

4- controlled use of administrative privileges

5- secure configuration for hardware and software on mobile devices, laptops, servers

6- maintenance, monitoring and analysis of

Audit logs

Foundational Controls:- (add additional sec layers)

1- email and web browser protections

2- malware defence

3- limitation and control of network ports protocols and services (firewall)

4- data recovery capabilities

5- Secure configuration for network devices such as firewalls, routers, switches

6- Boundary defense

7- data protection

8- controlled Access based on the need to know

9- wireless access control

10- account monitoring and control

Organizational controls :-

1- implement a security awareness and training program

2- application software security

3- incident response and mangment

4- pentration tests and Red team exercises

Risk mangement :-

is identifying potential risks in advance, analyzing them, and taking precautionary steps to reduce risk the risk mangement process includes :-

1- Risk identification

2- Risk analysis

3- develop Risk Response plan

Risk = exposure to danger

Threat = potential damage

vulnerability = unintended flaw

Asset = has value

exploit = attack

penetration testing = test methodology which work under

Hacker process:-

- goal / target
- learn it
- explore it
- break it
- explore it

Ethical hacking life cycle:-

- 1- A target or goal: understand why you are assessing its security
- 2- learn it: learn as much as you can about it.
- 4- Break it: understand the target's weaknesses or vulnerabilities
- 3- explore it: is understanding how it works and what others know about it. This is known as (reconnaissance)
- 5- fix it: secure operating system, applications, and networks
- 6- make it better: figure out a better way to secure the asset
- 7- tell others: tell others what you find, it called (ethical disclosure)

What is the difference between hacking and ethical hacking?

Ethical hacking(hackers) help an organization find weakness so that they can be known and fixed. but hackers find these

penetration testing - A test methodology in which assessors, typically working under specific constraints, attempt to circumvent or defeat the security features of an information system