



Sri Lanka Institute of Information Technology

**B.Sc. Special Honours Degree in
Information Technology**

**Final Examination
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IE3022 – Applied Information Assurance

Duration: 3 Hours

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Instructions to Candidates:

- ◆ This paper has **4** questions with a total of 100 marks.
- ◆ Answer all the questions in the booklet given.
- ◆ This paper contains **4 pages** including the cover page and annexure.
- ◆ This is an open book examination.

Question 1

(25 Marks)

- a) Security compliance requires organizations exercise due diligence and due care in providing information security and risk management. Identify type of a **role Ethical Hacking** plays in the context? (5 marks)
- b) Name and briefly explain 7 stages in the “**Cyber Kill Chain**”. (7 marks)
- c) Describe the following terms: (8 marks)
 - i. Footprinting
 - ii. Reconnaissance
 - iii. Competitive intelligence
 - iv. Google Hacking
- d) Differentiate **5 best practices** to defend against reconnaissance. (5 marks)

Question 2

(25 Marks)

- a) Briefly describe the **three types of Distributed DoS** attacks. (3 marks)
- b) Analyze DDos attack **statistics and impact characterization** on Cloud environment. (9 marks)
- c) Compose a **taxonomy for DDoS solutions**, which contains attack prevention, detection, mitigation and recovery. (10 marks)
- d) Briefly describe the following terms. (3 marks)
 - i. Blacklisting / whitelisting
 - ii. Rate limiting
 - iii. Blackhole routing

Question 3

(25 Marks)

- A) Discuss how digital forensics is different from data recovery. (5 marks)
- B) Explain why **validation** is considered the most critical aspect of digital forensics. (5 marks)
- C) Access the **IE3022** folder provided in the **Desktop** and navigate to **Q3** folder. Use the picture (**IMG_4735.JPG**) provided and using the tool (**ExifRead.exe**) extract the metadata component of the figure. Using the meta data information extracted answer the following questions.
 - i. Name the **Maker** and **Model** of the camera that took the photo? (2 marks)
 - ii. Name is the **Date** and **Time** that the picture was taken? (2 marks)
 - iii. Discover the following points of the picture. (7 marks)

- a) Degrees
- b) Minutes
- c) Seconds
- d) North Reference Point
- e) South Reference Point
- f) West Reference Point
- g) East Reference Point

D) Criticize **challenges faced by the forensic investigators** in investigation process.

(4 marks)

Question 4

(25 Marks)

A) *"SQL Injection is an attack that poisons dynamic SQL statements to comment out certain parts of the statement or appending a condition that will always be true."*

- i. Is the above statement true or false? (1 mark)
- ii. Justify your answer in part i). (3 marks)

E) Use the instructions provided in **ANNEXURE I** and run the live-virtual machine. With the use of the machine answer the following questions.

- i. Modify the URL of **Example 3** link in the **XSS** section to obtain a message box indicating a message *"Congratulations you are the 100th winner!!!"*. (4 marks)
- ii. Modify the URL of **Example 5** link in the **XSS** section to obtain a message box asking for a username and a password. (4 marks)
- iii. Use the **Example 1** link in the **SQL** section to answer the following questions
 - a) Analyze the URL and explain how the query can be used to view all the user information. (3 marks)
 - b) Construct an SQL injection query calculate the number of columns in the user table. (4 marks)
 - c) Construct an SQL injection query to retrieve the root password. (6 marks)

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Annexture I

Septs to configure and startup the virtual machine

1. Open **VMware Workstation**
2. Create a new virtual machine using **LINUX** type and select a **Debian-8-64-bit** operating systems.
3. Navigate to the **Virtual Machine Settings** and select the **CD/DVD** attachment option
4. Click on **Browse** and navigate to the following location
/Desktop/IE3022/Q4
5. Select the **web_for_pentester_i386.iso** file
6. Run the virtual machine
7. Issue **ifconfig** in the command line and get the IPv4 address.
8. Use the **Chrome browser** and enter the IP address.

Optional

1. If you do not get an IP address.
2. Shutdown the virtual machine
3. Open the **Virtual Machine Settings**.
4. Navigate to **Network Adapter**
5. Select the **NAT** network option
6. Boot up the virtual machine and get the IP address.
7. Use the **Chrome browser** and enter the IP address.