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A NOTE ON ETHICS / LEGALITY

- UNSW hosting this course is an extremely important step forward.
- We expect a high standard of professionalism from you, meaning:
 - Respect the university
 - Always abide by the law and regulations
 - Be considerate of others. Everyone has an equal learning experience
- Always check that you have written permission before performing a security test on a system

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PLEASE BE SUPER CAREFUL WHENEVER YOU'RE GENERATING NETWORK TRAFFIC



“NOT - A - HOMEWORK”

What tools have you tried?

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“NOT - A - HOMEWORK”

What tools have you tried?

- Burp
- Fiddler
- Wireshark
- nMap
- Nikto
- ZAP

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“NOT - A - HOMEWORK”

What have you seen?

- Requests
 - Messages head
 - Files
 - Page layouts
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IDENTITY

What is IDENTITY?

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IDENTITY

What is DIGITAL identity?

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- A digital identity is an entity used by a computer system or a natural agent associated to an entity"
- ISO/IEC 24760
- Various National digital identities

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IDENTITY ATTACKS

- Social
- Credential stealing
- Compromised/Weak password
- MitM

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OWASP TOP TEN

<https://owasp.org/www-project-top-ten/>

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OVERVIEW

Authentication → Session Management → Access Control (Authorization)

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Is the user
who they claim
to be? If not

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Is the user
allowed to access
this thing?

Server Error

401 - Unauthorized: Access is denied due to invalid credentials.
You do not have permission to view this directory or page using the credentials that you supplied.



403. That's an error.

Your client does not have permission to get URL /adsense from this server. That's all we know.



WEB AUTHENTICATION 2021

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- Username / Password
 - Password reset via email
 - 2FA: SMS, Token, Apps (incl TOTP)
 - Active vs Passive 2FA
- Authentication can be delegated (e.g. SSO, OAuth, JWT)
- CAPTCHAs



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BAD AUTHENTICATION 101+1

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BAD AUTHENTICATION 101

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DEFAULT CREDENTIALS

“The ASD's investigation found that internet-facing services still had their default passwords, admin:admin and guest:guest.”

<http://www.zdnet.com> <https://eduassistpro.github.io/> [data-stolen-in-australia](#)
[lian-defence-contract](#)

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BRUTE FORCE (BEST FORCE)

- Attempt logins with common passwords
- Try known email + password combinations from previous breaches
 - 1 User, Manual
 - Many Users, "Credential Stuffing"
- Login rate-limiting and Lockouts
 - CAPTCHA
 - Lockouts (iPhone)
- Proactive Monitoring
- User Communication

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE

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“Logi name.”

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“Login failed: invalid u password.”

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ERRORS HANDLING

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TRANSPORT LAYER SECURITY (WHY?)

MitM attack: forces a victim's browser into communicating with an adversary in plain-text over HTTP, and the adversary proxies the modified content from an HTTPS server

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WIFI PINEAPPLE

Pen testing device for man-in-the-middle attacks

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WIFI PINEAPPLE

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https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fm-J_ITox5w

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PASSWORDS

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WHAT IS ~~LOVE~~ HASH?

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One way function



HASHING vs ENCRYPTION

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HASHING vs ENCRYPTION

Hash algorithm is based on one-way function. It is practically impossible to revert the result back

Encryption is based on plain text and a key and suppose to have a decryption algorithm.

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PASSWORD HASHES

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RAINBOW TABLE AND PASSWORDS DBS

<https://haveibeenpwned.com/Passwords>

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passwords ob

data breaches

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DEMO

https://youtu.be/IchpQBbGb_rE



PASSWORD RESETS

- E-Mail
 - Doesn't matter if I've got the user's inbox
 - Is the reset link generated securely?
 - Can I generate <https://eduassistpro.github.io/>
- "Security" Questions
 - Can I get them off a user [Add WeChat edu_assist_pro](#)
 - Can I google the answer?
 - How many attempts do I get to answer these questions?

*Password Security is
People Problem*



2019 NIST PASSWORD GUIDELINES

8 character min (human) otherwise 6 character min

- * Support at least 64 characters max length
 - * support All ASCII characters (incl 0x20)
 - * NO truncation o
 - * Allow at least
 - * No SMS for 2FA (one-time passw app)
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- Check password with known dictionaries
- No complexity requirements
- No password expiration period
- No password hints
- No knowledge-based authentication (no questions)



Few more examples

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How to do Good authentication?

- Good password policy
- Rate limiting
- Not allowing default usernames/passwords
- Not using weak passwords
- Multi Factor
- Application registration/first login logic

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READING MATERIAL (REFERENCE)

- Authentication what why and how!!
<https://github.com/alex996/presentations/blob/master/auth.md>
- Shopify Auth
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=r-9lq>
- Google CTF
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=H0Qzu0SQFWA>

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WEEK 2-3 ASSESSMENT

- If you're unsure, ask.

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Please call out if you get stuck.

Support one another, your tutors are here to help!



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