

Cryptography & Network Security

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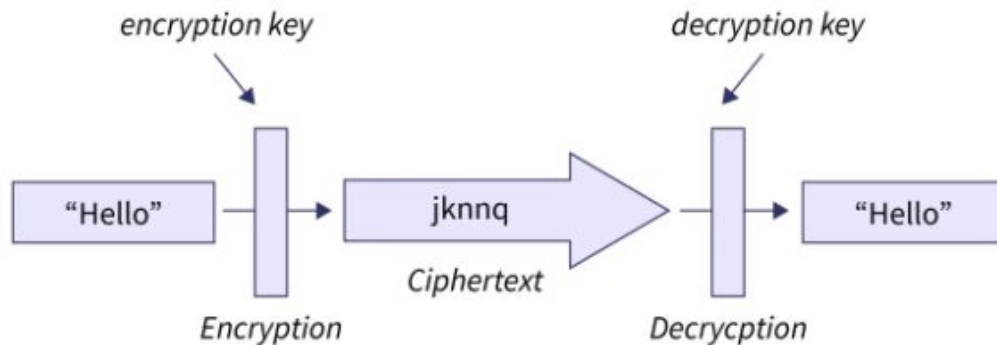
Introduction



Cryptography

Cryptography generally deals with the study and practice of techniques for ensuring secure communication between two parties in the presence of a third party called adversaries.

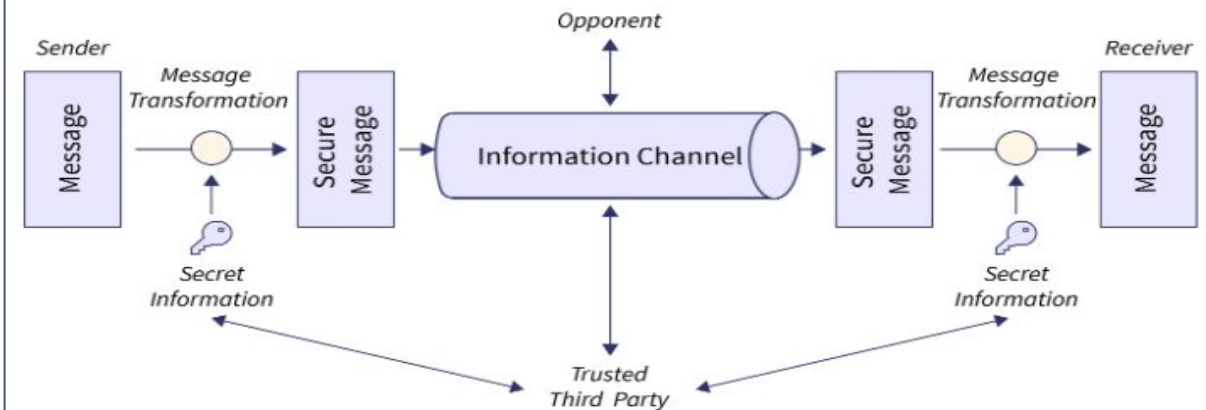
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Network Security

Network Security generally refers to action taken by an enterprise or organization to protect and secure its computer network and data. The main aim is to ensure the confidentiality and accessibility of the network and data.

NETWORK SECURITY MODEL



Overview



- Networking devices -Router, Switch, Bridge
- Protocol Header Analysis using Wireshark [Lab]
- Introduction to Security Engineering & Network Security:
 - ❖ Security Services:
 - Authentication
 - Access Control,
 - Data Confidentiality.
 - Data Integrity
 - Non-Repudiation
 - Availability.
- Security Attacks - Active & Passive.
- Denial of Service (DoS) Attacks & Distributed Denial of Service Attacks (DDoS).
- Introduction to Vulnerability, Threat, Attack, Bug, Exploit.

Networking Devices



Key Features:

- ❑ **Routing:** *Forward data packets based on IP destination addresses*
- ❑ **Forwarding:** *Actively move data between networks, ensuring seamless communication.*
- ❑ **Traffic Management:** *Prioritize and manage data traffic, preventing congestion and optimizing network performance.*
- ❑ **IP Addressing:** *Assign and manage IP addresses, facilitating communication between devices.*



ROUTER

Networking Devices



Key Features:

- ❑ **MAC Address Forwarding:** *Forward data packets based on MAC destination addresses*
- ❑ **Broadcast Domain Isolation:** *Create individual broadcast domains for each port.*
- ❑ **VLAN Segmentation:** *Enable logical segmentation within a switch.*
- ❑ **Full-Duplex Communication:** Allowing simultaneous data transmission and reception.



SWITCH

Networking Devices

Key Features:

- ❑ **Transparent Filtering:** *Bridges filter and forward data frames based on MAC addresses.*
- ❑ **Segmenting Collision Domains:** *Bridges segment network segments into collision domains.*
- ❑ **Learning and Building MAC Address Tables:** *Bridges dynamically learn the MAC addresses of connected devices and build MAC address tables.*
- ❑ **Filtering Broadcast Traffic:** *Bridges filter and control the propagation of broadcast traffic.*



BRIDGE

Networking Devices



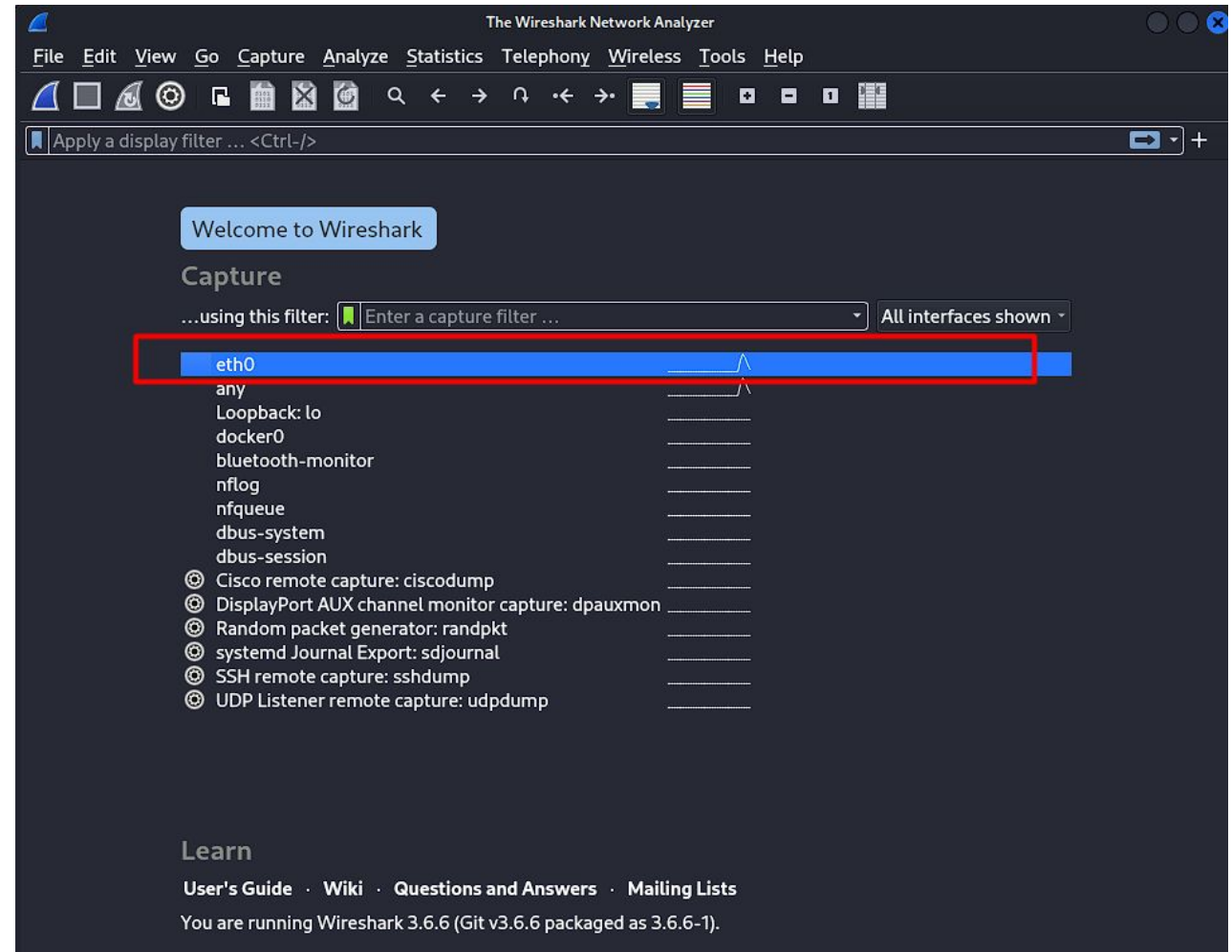
Characteristic	Switches	Bridges	Routers
Layer of Operation	Layer 2 (Data Link Layer)	Layer 2 (Data Link Layer)	Layer 3 (Network Layer)
Forwarding Basis	MAC Addresses	MAC Addresses	IP Addresses
Network Segmentation	Supports VLANs	Segments Collision Domains	Routes Between Networks
Example Devices	Ethernet Switch, Gigabit Switch	Ethernet Bridge, Wireless Bridge	Wired Router, Wireless Router

Protocol Header Analysis - Wireshark

Analyzing protocol headers using Wireshark involves capturing and inspecting the headers of packets transmitted over a network.

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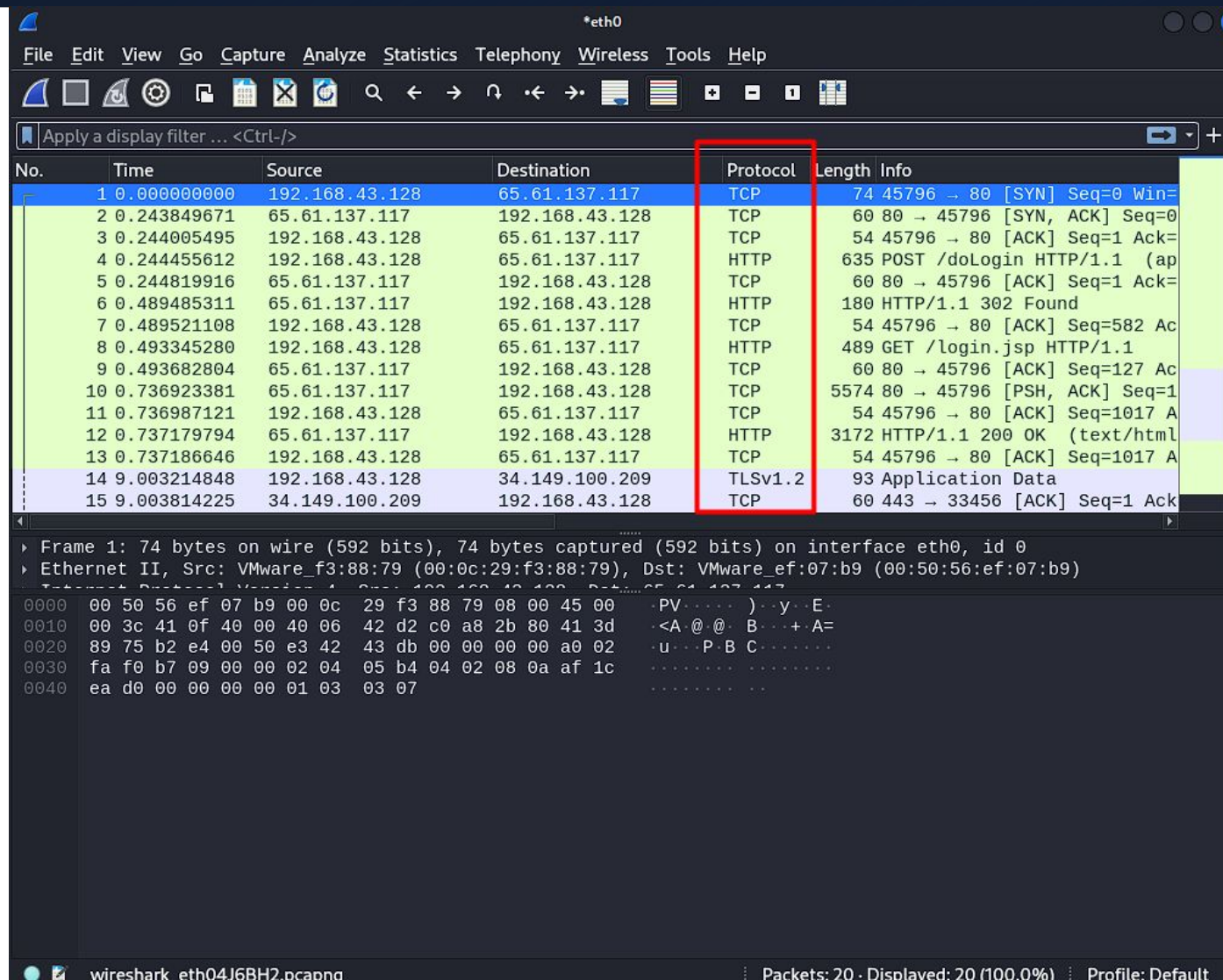
- Select Interface



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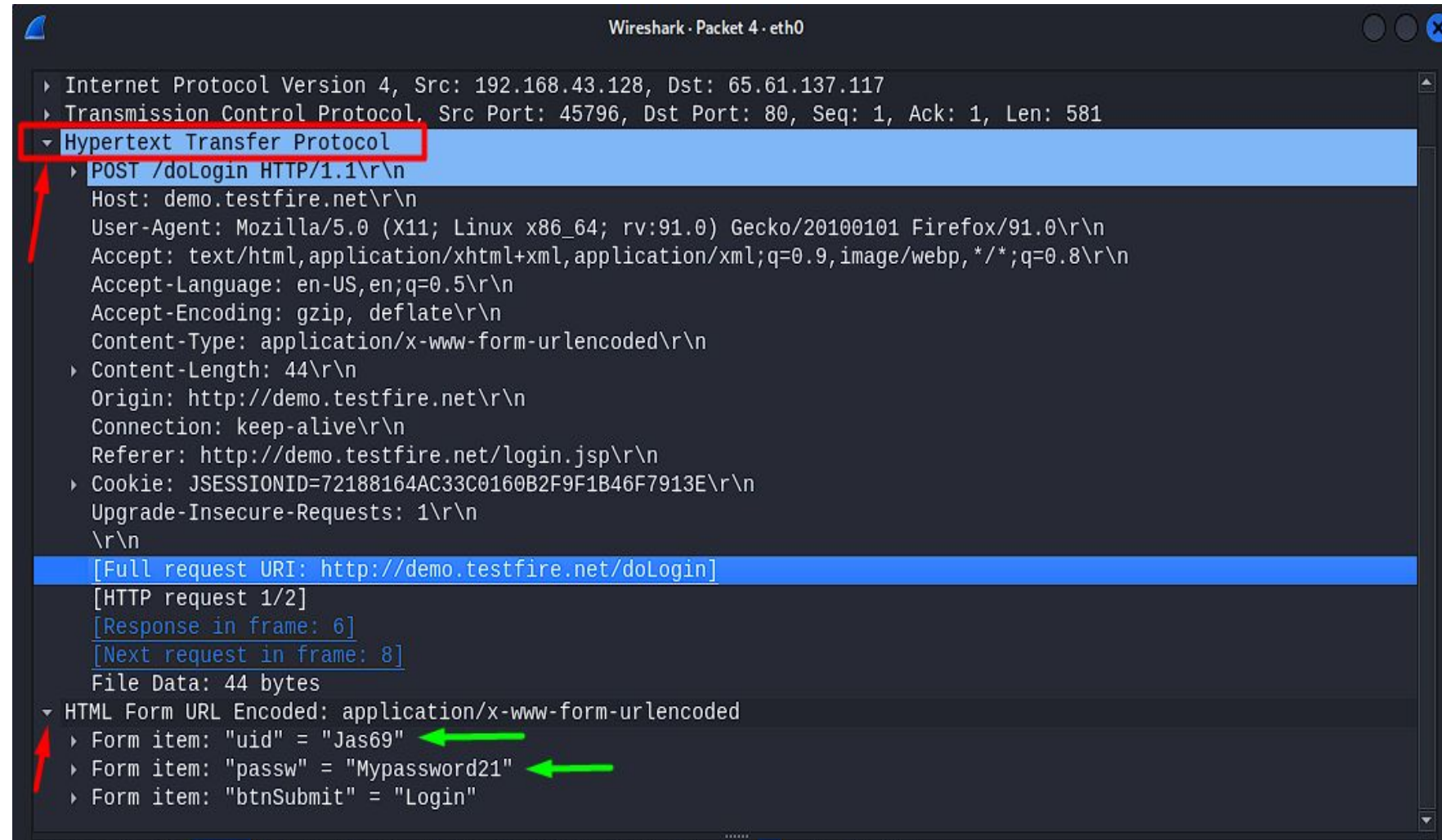
- Filter Packets:

Use Wireshark's display filter to focus on specific protocols or addresses. For example, you can use filters like tcp, http, udp, or ip.addr == x.x.x.x to isolate packets of interest.



Protocol Header Analysis - Wireshark

- Select a Packet
- Expand Protocol Layer
- View Header Fields



Intro to Security Engineering & Network Sec

Security Engineering is the discipline of designing, implementing, and maintaining systems and processes to ensure the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of information and systems

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| → Authentication | → Data Integrity |
| → Access Control, | → Non-Repudiation |
| → Data Confidentiality. | → Availability. |



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Security Services:

- **Authentication:** Verifying the identity of users or systems to ensure secure access.
 - Logging into a computer system with a username and password.
- **Access Control:** Regulating and restricting user access to resources based on permissions.
 - A file server allowing only authorized users from the HR department to access sensitive employee data.

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Security Services:

- **Data Confidentiality:** Safeguarding information from unauthorized access or disclosure.
 - Encrypting sensitive financial information during online transactions to prevent unauthorized users from reading it.
- **Data Integrity:** Ensuring the accuracy and reliability of data through prevention of unauthorized alterations.
 - Using checksums to verify that a downloaded file has not been altered or corrupted during the download process.

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Security Services:

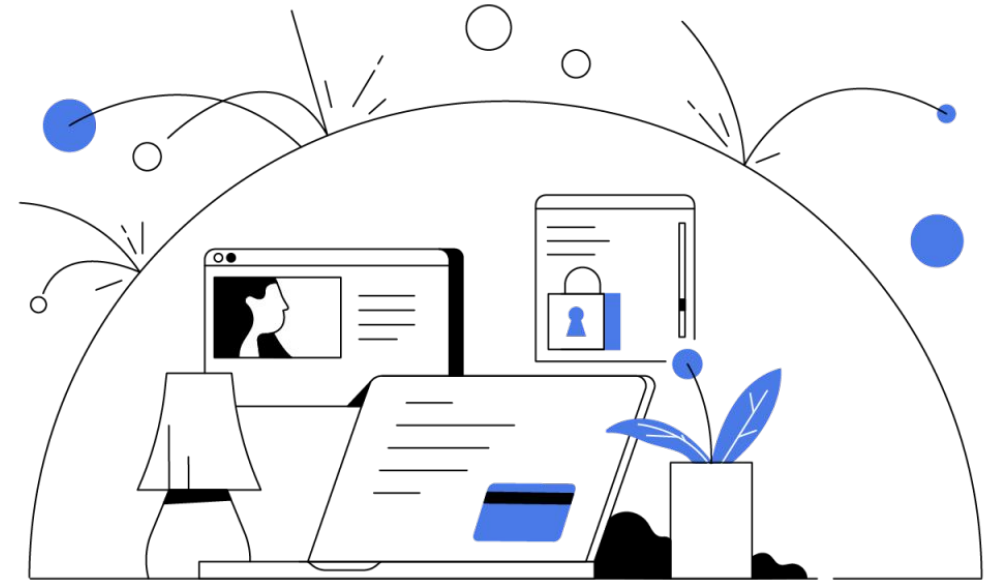
- **Non-Repudiation:** Preventing individuals from denying their actions, confirming accountability.
 - Signing a digital document with a private key, providing proof that the sender cannot later deny sending it.
- **Availability:** Ensuring consistent and reliable access to resources and services.
 - A website ensuring uninterrupted access to its content despite heavy traffic or a distributed denial-of-service (DDoS) attack.

Security Attacks

Security attacks encompass a range of malicious activities aimed at exploiting vulnerabilities in computer systems, networks, or software to compromise the confidentiality, integrity, or availability of information.

→ ACTIVE

→ PASSIVE



Security Attacks



Active Security Attacks:

Active security attacks involve an intruder taking actions that manipulate or disrupt the normal operation of a system, network, or application. These attacks typically aim to compromise the confidentiality, integrity, or availability of the targeted resources. Here are examples of active security attacks:

- Denial-of-Service (DoS) Attack
- Man-in-the-Middle (MitM) Attack
- DNS Spoofing
- SQL Injection

Security Attacks



Passive Security Attacks:

Passive security attacks involve monitoring and capturing data without altering or disrupting the targeted systems. These attacks aim to gather sensitive information for unauthorized access or further exploitation. Here are examples of passive security attacks:

- Eavesdropping
- Traffic Analysis
- Packet Sniffing
- Wiretapping
- Passive DNS Spoofing

Denial Of Services (DoS)

A Denial of Service (DoS) attack is a malicious attempt to disrupt the normal functioning of a system, network, or service by overwhelming it with a flood of illegitimate requests, thereby rendering it temporarily or indefinitely unavailable to legitimate users. The primary goal of a DoS attack is to exhaust the target's resources, such as bandwidth, processing power, or memory, causing a disruption in its ability to handle legitimate requests

→ Single Source

→ Limited Scale

Distributed Denial Of Services (DDoS)

A Distributed Denial of Service (DDoS) attack is an advanced and more potent form of a DoS attack, where multiple compromised systems, known as a botnet, work collaboratively to inundate a target with an overwhelming volume of traffic. DDoS attacks are more challenging to mitigate because they distribute the attack across multiple sources, making it difficult to discern and block the malicious traffic

→ Multiple Source

→ Scale & Intensity

Introduction to Key Cybersecurity Concepts



Vulnerability:

Definition: A vulnerability is a weakness or flaw in a system, network, application, or process that could be exploited to compromise its security.

Example: Unpatched software, misconfigured settings, or weak passwords can represent vulnerabilities in a system.

Threat:

Definition: A threat refers to a potential danger or a harmful event that can exploit vulnerabilities, leading to potential harm to a system or organization.

Example: Malware, hackers, or natural disasters are examples of threats that can pose risks to information systems.

Attack:

Introduction to Key Cybersecurity Concepts



Attack:

Definition: An attack is a deliberate action or series of actions that take advantage of vulnerabilities to compromise the integrity, confidentiality, or availability of a system.

Example: A hacker exploiting a vulnerability in a web application to gain unauthorized access and steal sensitive information.

Bug:

Definition: A bug is an unintentional coding error or flaw in software that can lead to unexpected behavior or vulnerabilities.

Example: A software bug might cause a program to crash or behave differently than intended, potentially creating security issues

Introduction to Key Cybersecurity Concepts



Exploit:

Definition: An exploit is a piece of software, code, or sequence of commands that takes advantage of a specific vulnerability to carry out a malicious action.

Example: An attacker using a known exploit to target a vulnerability in a web server and gain unauthorized access.

Interrelationships:

- ★ *Scenario: A software application (system) may contain a bug due to a coding error (vulnerability). If an attacker discovers this vulnerability, they can use an exploit to carry out an attack, posing a threat to the security of the system.*

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