

CS 458/658

Assignment 2

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Q1.

- a. A salted hash can defend against those dictionary guessing attacks. A random or user-specific salt will avoid the situation that the same password will lead to the same hashes.
- b. 1: 8-bit salt maybe a bit short, so that an attacker can build a lookup table for every possible salt. Any longer bit salt will be better.
2: SHA-1 hash is relatively cheap to compute (in microseconds). Should use other cryptographic hash other than SHA-1 or SHA-512
3: H-S will not be equal to $\text{SHA1}(P^*)$. Should check if $\text{SHA1}(P^*+S) == H$

Q2.

- a. D101: r
D102: neither
D103: neither
D104: r
D105: w
- b. D201-> (Secret, {D, E})
Carol-> (Secret, {B, D})
Eve-> (Unclassified, {B, C})
Eve-> (Confidential, {C, D})
Carol-> (Secret, {D})

Q3.

- a. smurf attack/ personal firewall
- b. CPU/memory resources being used up; TCP initializes state by having the two end nodes exchange three packets (SYN, SYN-ACK, ACK), Server queues SYN from client and removes it when corresponding ACK is received, attacker sends many SYNs, but no ACKs. Then this would make the server being attacked half-connected, and keep sending the second syn+ack packet.
- c. There is no client and server model for stateful inspection firewalls.