## ITBU 443: Threats and Counter Measures, Homework 11

Chapter 11, Computer Security, Principles and Practices

## Readings

Read chapter 11 in the Computer Security, Principles and Practices book.

## **Discussion Questions**

Answer the discussion questions in writing.

- 1. What is the difference between software quality and software security?
- 2. How can a programmer program defensively?
- 3. How would you explain an *injection attack* to your grandmother? This explanation must include a description of the name "injection attack."
- 4. How do command injection attacks and SQL injection attacks differ? What similarities do they have?
- 5. Discuss input validation. This is an important question.
- 6. (Not in book) In general, we can perform user input validation client side or server side. Name one technique used for each means of user input validation.
- 7. What is input fuzzing?
- 8. What is a race condition? What does the name "race condition" refer to?
- 9. How does the principle of *least privilege* assist in securing software?
- 10. What is a *lockfile*? What is the purpose of lockfiles?
- 11. How can an attacker exploit unvalidated data sent from one process to another process?