

# Computer Security

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## Question 1: Undecidability of the general halting problem

Consider the representation of a Turing machine as a protection system as described in section 4.7.2 of *Robling Denning, D. E. 1982, Cryptography and Data Security*.

- Specify the missing commands for the head moving right:  $\delta(q, X) = (p, Y, R)$
- Given the access matrix below, show the matrix that results after the following two moves:
  1.  $\delta(q, C) = (p, D, R)$
  2.  $\delta(p, D) = (s, E, R)$

A	B	$\Downarrow$ C	D	$\phi$	...
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A	own		
	B	own	
		C q	own
			D END

## Question 2: Real world access control matrix

Given the following file listing from a Linux file system

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drwxr-xr-x  alice users .
drwxr-xr-x  alice users ..
-rwxr--r--  alice f      A
-rwxrw----  alice bfct   B
-rwxr----- frank c      C
-rw-r----- bob  ct      D
-r-xr-x---  tim  at      E
-r-----r-- carl  c      F
```

Assume that the following groups exist

- f - frank
- bfct - bob, frank, carl, tim
- c - carl
- ct - carl, tim
- at - alice, tim
- other - System predefined group

We define the following set of rights:

- *own* - The subject  $S$  owns the object  $O$  if  $own \in PS, O$
- *read* - The subject  $S$  may read the object  $O$  if  $read \in P[S, O]$
- *write* - The subject  $S$  may write the object  $O$  if  $wrie \in P[S, O]$
- *exec* - The subject  $S$  may execute the object  $O$  if  $exec \in P[S, O]$

In addition we define a right  $i$  which allows a subject to use the rights of another subject “indirect”. Hence if Carl has the right  $i$  on c he can in addition to his direct rights act with the rights of c, in this case: *read* C.

More formal: Let  $R$  be an arbitrary right. If  $R \in P[S_1, O]$  and  $i \in P[S_2, S_1]$  it holds for all operations of  $S_2$  that  $R \in P[S_2, O]$ .

Fill out the following access control matrix representing the access rights given in the file listing.

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### Question 3: Optional - Assembler addressing

- Assume  $\%ebp = 0x80$ ,  $\%eax = 0x8$ . Calculate the effective addresses of the following displacements
  - $-4(\%eax, \%ebp)$
  - $(,\%eax,8)$
  - $128(\%ebp)$
- Carefully look at the assembler dumps A and B given below.
  - Compare what the two programs do
  - What is the difference between the two programs
  - Give an equivalent C program
- Compile your C program with GCC
- Figure out how to disassemble your program with GDB
- Compare your dump with the given ones

#### Listing 1: A

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1  0x00000000100000ef0 <main+0>: push %rbp
2  0x00000000100000ef1 <main+1>: mov %rsp,%rbp
3  0x00000000100000ef4 <main+4>: sub $0x10,%rsp
4  0x00000000100000ef8 <main+8>: lea 0x51(%rip),%rax # 0x100000f50
5  0x00000000100000eff <main+15>: mov %rax,%rdi
6  0x00000000100000f02 <main+18>: callq 0x100000f24 <dyld_stub_puts>
7  0x00000000100000f07 <main+23>: movl $0x0,-0x8(%rbp)
8  0x00000000100000f0e <main+30>: mov -0x8(%rbp),%eax
9  0x00000000100000f11 <main+33>: mov %eax,-0x4(%rbp)
10 0x00000000100000f14 <main+36>: mov -0x4(%rbp),%eax
11 0x00000000100000f17 <main+39>: add $0x10,%rsp
12 0x00000000100000f1b <main+43>: pop %rbp
13 0x00000000100000f1c <main+44>: retq

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#### Listing 2: B

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1  0x00000000100000f10 <main+0>: push %rbp
2  0x00000000100000f11 <main+1>: mov %rsp,%rbp
3  0x00000000100000f14 <main+4>: lea 0x39(%rip),%rdi # 0x100000f54
4  0x00000000100000f1b <main+11>: callq 0x100000f2a <dyld_stub_puts>
5  0x00000000100000f20 <main+16>: xor %eax,%eax
6  0x00000000100000f22 <main+18>: pop %rbp
7  0x00000000100000f23 <main+19>: retq

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