Furkan Goksel

Education

Middle East Technical University

2016-2021

Bachelor of Science in Computer Engineering (GPA: 3.88 / 4.00)

Ankara, Turkey

Experience

Picus Security

March 2021 - Present

Ankara, Turkey

Senior Red Team Engineer

- Transformed Exposure Management outputs into actionable attack paths, showcasing end-to-end compromise scenarios to prioritize real-world risk across enterprise environments.
- Simulated lateral movement in Microsoft Active Directory and crafted endpoint attack scenarios across Windows, Linux, and macOS, targeting MITRE ATT&CK TTPs and evading EDR/EPP defenses.
- Performed internal Red Teaming operations and Penetration Tests to assess organizational resilience against real-world attack vectors.

Purdue University

July 2020 - Oct 2020

Undergraduate Student Researcher

West Lafayette, USA

• Co-authored "On the Safety Implications of Misordered Events and Commands in IoT Systems" (IEEE SafeThings 2021), demonstrating how adversaries can exploit misordered legitimate IoT events to violate safety properties.

Secrove Information Security Consulting

March 2020 - Sept 2020

Security Researcher

İstanbul, Turkey

• Developed a custom Linux Endpoint Detection and Response system leveraging Ptrace system calls to monitor and intercept process behaviors for real-time threat detection and analysis.

Secrove Information Security Consulting

March 2019 - Sept 2019

Intern

İstanbul, Turkey

 Performed Mobile and Web Application penetration testing for clients, identifying security vulnerabilities and providing actionable remediation guidance in real-world environments.

Projects

Shoggoth | BlackHat Europe 2022 Arsenal Presentation

- Engineered polymorphic encryptor to convert COFF, BOF and PE files into shellcode that consists of polymorphically encrypted payloads and their corresponding loaders for enabling in-memory payload execution across Windows systems.
- Implemented with the AsmJit JIT compilation framework to dynamically generate machine code for encryption/decryption routines and garbage instruction stubs targeting x86/x64 architectures
- Integrated advanced garbage instruction generation for evasion, including side-effect-preserving sequences, no-op jumps, and fake call patterns to confuse static analysis.

WAFADM | Best Senior Design Project at METU CENG Demo Day 2021

• Enhanced ModSecurity Web Application Firewall by implementing custom rule compilers, rule generators, access zones, and extending core functionalities for Web Application attack detection and mitigation.

Process Tracer | BSCon2020 Presentation

• Developed a browser-based interface for monitoring and manipulating Linux process system calls, enabling interactive analysis of suspicious programs for research and security purposes.

Achievements

Certificates: Certified Red Team Professional (CRTP), OffSec Certified Professional (OSCP), Certified Red Team Operator (CRTO)

CVEs: CVE-2022-34008, CVE-2022-31464, CVE-2021-30461, CVE-2020-35597

Publications: AgriLoRa: A Digital Twin Framework for Smart Agriculture, On the Safety Implications of Misordered Events and Commands in IoT Systems