Joe Loughry

I do software development for cross domain systems, C&A, project lead, and information security.

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Leadership, Proposal Wins, and Funding

Principal Investigator, awarded \$968,412 for a "Probabilistic Redaction" system, USAF Rome Laboratory contract no. FA8750-09-C-0006, for period of performance 2009–2012; the project was completed on time and under budget.

Patents

U.S. patent 8,793,499 for Nested Digital Signatures with Constant File Size. U.S. patent 6,987,461 for System and Method for Addressing Optical Emanations from an Information Processing Device.

Experience

Twenty-three years of programming experience in C and UNIX, multi-level programming under Trusted Solaris, and up-to-the-minute knowledge of Common Criteria, DIACAP, NIST SP 800-53 security controls, and DCID 6/3 C&A for cross domain systems (CDS).

- University of Oxford, England: Ph.D. student, 2007–2015.
 - Discovered methods to control the schedule and predict outcomes of security Certification and Accreditation (C&A) testing of cross domain solutions and cross domain systems for Intelligence Community (IC), collateral, and international environments, with application to privacy protection of Electronic Health Record (EHR) systems. Dissertation: Security Test and Evaluation of Cross Domain Systems, submitted Michaelmas term 2014.
- Lockheed Martin Corporation: Information Assurance Engineer, 2006–2012.

 Proposed and won a \$968,000 Air Force Research Laboratory contract for a probabilistic redaction application; the R&D project was completed on time and in budget. Author of Security Target for Common Criteria (CC) evaluation of Radiant Mercury (TM) with NSA.
- Lockheed Martin Missiles & Space Company, Senior Software Engineer, 1998–2006.

 Invented nested digital signatures for satellite imagery files—U.S. patent no. 8,793,499 issued. Discovered the optical TEMPEST effect and its countermeasures—U.S. patent no. 6,987,461 issued. Software developer and security engineer for Radiant Mercury (TM). Experienced programmer in C and assembly language on Trusted Solaris and FreeBSD.
- University Instructor, CSSE 591 (Computer Networks), Seattle University, 1998.

Security Clearance

U.S. citizen, cleared to Top Secret/SCI (inactive) with counterintelligence polygraph; last investigation date: 5th August 2009 (SSBI PR); last CI poly 26th May 2010. CISSP-ISSEP no. 10411.

Security Vulnerabilities Reported

- Silent reversion to insecure defaults in Mac OS X 'Yosemite' /etc/sshd_config file, 2014.
- Unlimited password retries permitted in Trusted Solaris 8 HW 2/04 Certified Edition, 2006.
- Light emitting diodes leak information from many types of data communication equipment (a side channel), including plaintext from certain cryptographic hardware modules, 2002.
- Privilege escalation in crontab yields root shell on Trusted Solaris 8 version 4/01, 2000.
- Cross-platform EEPROM boot password bypass on Sun workstation hardware, 1999.
- Insecure storage and extraction of plaintext passwords on Sun workstation hardware, 1998.
- Full control of Trusted Path indicator from unprivileged process, Trusted Solaris 2.5, 1998.

Open Source Software

- Terence Eden, Joe Loughry, and Bruce Nordman. Unicode Technical Committee (San Jose, CA: February 3-6, 2014) https://github.com/jloughry/Unicode/#readme added the IEC 60417-5007, -8, -9, and -10 (ISO 7000:2012) and IEEE-Std-1621:2004 symbols to Unicode.
- OpenSolaris: http://www.opensolaris.org (2006) found a bug in password retry limit of Solaris 8, Solaris 10, and Trusted Solaris; patch provided to Sun Microsystems and accepted.
- The FreeBSD Project: http://www.freebsd.org (1999) contributed a new console screen saver based on Wu's fast anti-aliased line drawing algorithm to FreeBSD 3.2.
- Fetchmail: http://www.fetchmail.info/ (1998) patch to handle multi-homed machines.

Refereed Journals

• "Information Leakage from Optical Emanations" by J. Loughry and D.A. Umphress. ACM Transactions on Information and System Security 5(3) pp. 262–289, 2002.

Peer-Reviewed Conferences

- "A Model of Certifier and Accreditor Risk Calculation for Multi-Level Systems." Proc. 13th IEEE International Conference on Technologies for Homeland Security (HST'13). Boston, Massachusetts, 12–14 November, 2013.
- "Information Asymmetry in Classified Cross Domain System Accreditation." 19th Comp. & Elec. Sec. Appl. Rend. (C&ESAR 2012). Rennes, France, 20–22 Nov. 2012, pp. 19–28, 2012.
- "Unsteady Ground: Certification to Unstable Criteria." Second International Conference on Advances in System Testing and Validation Life Cycle. Nice, France, 2010.
- "Use of XML in the Specification and Development of a New High Assurance Controlled Interface." Proc. 2nd Network Centric Warfare Conf., Washington, D.C., 22nd Jan. 2003.

Other Published Reports

- "Efficiently enumerating the subsets of a set" by J. Loughry, et al. (in preparation).
- "Probabilistic Redaction" final technical report. US Air Force, Rome, New York, 2012. Available from the Defense Technical Information Center (DTIC), Washington, D.C.
- "Subsets of an 8-element set in order by number of elements in each subset." The On-line Encyclopedia of Integer Sequences, AT&T Research, 2003.
- RISKS (ACM Forum on Risks to the Public in Computers and Related Systems) vols 17.31, 21.94–5, 22.81, 24.07, 24.22–3, 24.55, 24.87, 25.73, 26.46, 27.19, and 28.02.

Education

- Doctoral student, University of Oxford, Department of Computer Science. Thesis: Security Test and Evaluation of Cross Domain Systems, thesis submitted; degree expected in 2015.
- Master of Software Engineering (M.S.E.) degree, Seattle University, 1996.
- Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) in mathematics, University of Colorado at Boulder, 1986.

Affiliations

• Member of ACM, IEEE, the IEEE Computer Society, (ISC)², ISACA, the Royal Institution of Great Britain, and the Unicode Consortium.