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Answer all the 14 questions and clearly assign correct question number to your answers. I have assigned a score to every question in square brackets at the beginning of each question. Please write down your name and student ID on each paper of the answer sheet. No personal items are permitted in the exam room including electronic devices, computers, calculators, cell phones, and PDAs.

Total test time: 2 hrs

Total Points: 105

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| <p>(1) [12] In Bell-LaPadula model, the security levels are TOP SECRET, SECRET, CONFIDENTIAL, and UNCLASSIFIED (ordered from highest to lowest), and the categories are A, B, and C. Specify what type of access (read, write, both, or neither) is allowed in each of the following situations. Also briefly explain your answer. Assume that discretionary access controls allow anyone access unless otherwise specified.</p> <p>A. [4] Anna, cleared for (CONFIDENTIAL, {C}), wants to access a document classified (CONFIDENTIAL, {B}). — <i>neither</i></p> <p>B. [4] Robin, who has no clearances (and so works at the UNCLASSIFIED level), wants to access a document classified (CONFIDENTIAL, {B}). — <i>write</i></p> <p>C. [4] Jesse, cleared for (SECRET, {C}), wants to access a document classified (CONFIDENTIAL, {C}). — <i>read</i></p> <p>(2) [12] Policy restricts the use of electronic mail on a particular system to faculty and staff. Students cannot send or receive electronic mail on that host. Classify the following mechanisms as secure, precise, or broad and briefly justify your answer.</p> <p>A. [4] The electronic mail sending and receiving programs are disabled. — <i>SECURE</i></p> <p>B. [4] As each letter is sent or received, the system looks up the sender (or recipient) in a database. If that party is listed as faculty or staff, the mail is processed. Otherwise, it is rejected. (Assume that the database entries are correct.) — <i>PRECISE</i></p> <p>C. [4] The electronic mail sending programs ask the user if he or she is a student. If so, the mail is refused. The electronic mail receiving programs are disabled. — <i>BROAD</i></p> <p>(3) [10] Alice wants to send a large message <i>M</i> to Bob by maintaining the integrity of the message. She also wants to assure Bob that the message indeed came from her. How would she do that? (Hint: Think about digital signatures)</p> <p>4) [9] What are the 3 different servers used in Kerberos. Briefly explain their roles in this protocol.</p> <p>5) [9] Briefly explain any 3 ways by which a Trudy can compromise the verification of a certificate.</p> <p>[6] Suppose that you are given a task to design an Authentication system based on Passwords. What suggestions would you give the user to choose strong passwords? In other words, write down any 3 characteristics of strong passwords.</p> <p>6] Give an example of a situation in which a compromise of confidentiality leads to a compromise in integrity.</p> |
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(8) [8] Let's say that I can control some process by sending a "stop" or "start" message to a server.

The fact that I am starting or stopping the process is not a secret, so I don't have to encrypt the "start" or "stop" message. But it is important that I am the only person who can stop or start the process. Therefore, I digitally sign the "stop" or "start" message with my private key. The server then decrypts the hash with my public key to make sure that I was the one who sent the message. Briefly describe what is wrong with this protocol.

(9) [5] Consider a computer system with three users: Alice, Bob, and Cyndy. Alice owns the file Alicerc, and Bob and Cyndy can read it. Cyndy can read and write the file Bobrc, which Bob owns, but Alice can only read it. Only Cyndy can read and write the file Cyndyrc, which she owns. Assume that the owner of each of these files can execute it.

Create the corresponding access control matrix.

(10) [5] A cryptographer once stated that cryptography could provide complete security and that any other computer security controls were unnecessary. Why is he wrong?
(Hint: Think of an implementation of a cryptosystem, and ask yourself what aspect(s) of the implementation can cryptography not protect.)

(11) [5] The Clark Wilson integrity model supports which one of the following principles?

Briefly justify your answer.

- a) principle of least privilege
- b) principle of fail-safe defaults
- c) principle of economy of mechanism
- d) principle of complete mediation
- e) principle of open design
- f) principle of separation of privilege
- g) principle of least common mechanism
- h) principle of psychological acceptability

? [5] Relate any SCI principle to what you've learnt in the course so far.

Q [5] Let e_{CA} be the public key of a CA, d_{CA} be the private key of that CA and e_{Jack} be the public key of Jack. How would a certificate issued by CA for Jack look like?

[8] Fill in the blanks.

Vulnerabilities

- a. [2] _____ are weaknesses in the systems that allow an attacker to carry out a threat.
- b. [2] _____ is a model of a security policy that refers equally to confidentiality and integrity, and deals with conflict of interest.
- c. [2] Maharishi's Vedic Science is based on _____, process of knowing (Devata) and the known (Chandas) and the wholeness from which they arise.
- d. [2] In an ACM, only allowed permissions are shown. A blank square in the ACM means that the associated process has no permissions on the associated object. This follows the principle of _____

① A. Anna has neither access.

B. confidential is greater than UNCLASSIFIED and the empty set is a subset of {BY} so the ~~object~~ subject, so the Robin can write.

C. SECRET is greater than CONFIDENTIAL, so Jesse can read.

② SECURE - the electronic mail being disabled is definitely SECURE, because it restricts students from sending and receiving ~~email~~ programs and it is secure, as specified in security policy since the state is only a subset of the specified in a security policy, mechanism is definitely secure.

③ PRECISE - when the system looks up the sender in the database, when the letter is sent or received it is best described as precise.

Because restrict states set of security policy. precise mechanism will the system exactly set of same specified by so if listed as the party in database is letter will faculty or staff the rejected.

Broad → C.

The system only asks the user if he or she is the student and only based on this criteria, if answer is ~~No~~ "Yes" the mail is refused. So if the student answers "No" he/she may be able to actually send an email successfully, which is causing the system to enter non-secure state. That's why this is a broad mechanism.

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③ In order to maintain the integrity of the message and to be assured of the origin integrity (that Alice) message came from really digital signature.

1. Alice should encrypt the message with her private key to get M_1 .

2. Alice should encrypt the M_1 with Bob's public key to get M_2 .

3. Alice then sends M_2 to Bob.

4. Bob decrypts M_2 with his private key to get M_1 .

5. Bob uses Alice's public key M_1 to decrypt to get M .

If M is the same then Bob could be assured of origin integrity - that Alice indeed sent the message, because only Alice knows the secret key to create M_1 (she encrypted on the first place using private key).

④ Kerberos is using Needham-Schroeder protocol as modified by Denning and Sacco. Kerberos pays attention - emphasizes the difference between authentication (determining who user is) and authorization (determining what the user, that is already authenticated, allowed to do).

Kerberos as a name refers to the three headed dog from Greek mythology that guarded the gates of hell.
The three heads \rightarrow the three servers are:

: Authentication server (AS) -
It authenticates the user and issues him a ticket that allows him to use the authorization server.

Ticket-granting server (TGS) -
which is authorization server and the role of it is to check if the user is authorized to use the requested server and if Yes then issue a ticket to use this server.

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3. Target server (Prin) makes sure that authorization (TOS) server is valid and if yes then gives user access to the server.

Question 5

3 ways that Trudy can compromise verification of certificate:

1. Trudy can steal somebody's identity and get certificate using this stolen identity.
2. Trudy can add the public key of a bogus (fake) CA to the list of Trusted Root Authorities in a certification browser to send a certificate which is signed by the bogus (fake) CA to the browser.

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(3. If a thief can steal the certificate
private key of the certification authority (CA) and then
use it to sign totally any certificate. If a
CA's private key gets stolen
(known by some intruder),
then every certificate that
is signed using this key
should be declined-revoked.
This is a very big
problem (disadvantage) of
certification authorities (CA).

Question 6

Characteristics of strong passwords:

- ① The password should be about 16 bits of randomness \rightarrow 16 characters.
- ② The password should be complex enough - include special characters (like: & @ #) and upper case (A B C) and lower case (a b c) letters in

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- order to be secure from dictionary attacks.
- ① use a @m @n @UM (student) so that the password is JaHs which is the first letter of each word).
 - ② the password should be changed regularly.
 - ③ different passwords should be used on different accounts.

Question 4.

Compromise between confidentiality and integrity.

The following example compromises confidentiality, such as keeping certain date confidential to eliminate

integrity concerns:

- James and Ann work in the same big com

- James can read RoomCOI.Proctor@
Ann can read RoomCOI.University.

Both of them can read ⁴ MUMCOI

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If James can write as well as he will be able to read information from ReemCOT. Professor and write it to ReemCOT. professor, and that will be Ann able to read this information. This is not confidential. James writes then ReemCOT. professor is altered, which compromises integrity. So this example is a compromise between confidentiality and integrity.

Question 8

This scenario is wrong because this is not how the digital signature works.

In order to digitally sign it the following should be done: (This is the correct)

- digitally sign "step" and "start" message with my private key to get M1.

encrypt M1 with server's public key to get M2.

Then send M2 to the server.

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- Server decrypts M_2 w/ his private key to get M_1 .
- Server uses my public key to decrypt M_1 to get M .

In the scenario described "stop" and "start" is not encrypted with server's public key after being digitally signed by my private key.

And server does not firstly use his private key to decrypt the message before using ~~his~~ my public key.

This is the wrong step in the given scenario.

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Access Control Matrix

		Access	Control	Matrix	
		alice	bob	bobrc	cyndyrc
Alice	alice	ox		R	
	bob	R		ox	
cyndy	cyndy	R		RW	ORWX

Question 10

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Question 11

Clark-Wilson model requires separation of duty (principle of separation of privilege) for maintaining of the allowed and certified relations.

Here are some enforcement and certification rules that support this idea:

- Enforcement rule 1 (ER1) - system has to maintain the certified relation and also has to ensure that only Transformation Procedures (TPs) certified to run on a CDT manipulate that CDT.
- Enforcement rule 2 (ER2) - system must associate a user with one TP and set of CDTs.
If the user is not associated with a particular TP and CDT, then the TP cannot access that CDT as a user (out).

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Certification Rule 3.
relation must meet - the allowed "regular principle" (that is, deter
ments imposed by the deety
of separation of relation
why sue allowed
be certified).

That's why Clark-Wilson model
supports - relates to principle
separation of privilege.

Question 1d)

① A threat is a potential violation
of security. SCI's approach
to mitigating threats is to
disallow the birth of the
enemy (attacker).

There are many ways to
implement access control matrix
(ACM) like ACL, CL, PACL. All of
relative creation is a
manifestation of the field
pure consciousness.

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○ Bell-Lapadula model is based on subjects, objects and security classifications, and rules (no read-ups and no write-down).
Maharishi's Vedic Science is based on knower (Rishi), process of knowing (Devak) and the known (Chandas) and the wholeness from which they arise

Question 13

The certificate looks like this:

Jack, Jack's address, ℓ jack, issuer, serial#, expiration date || ℓ Hash(Jack, Jack's address, ℓ jack, issuer, serial#, expiration date)

Question 19

Answers:

- Vulnerabilities
- Chinese wall model
- Kneewer (Rishi)
- principle of fail-safe design

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Q (1)[12] Answer the following question about digital Signature.

A)What is digital Signature?

A digital signature is a mathematical technique used to validate the authenticity and integrity of a message, software or digital document. Digital signatures are based on public key cryptography, also known as asymmetric cryptography. Using a public key algorithm such as RSA, one can generate two keys that are mathematically linked: one private and one public. To create a digital signature, signing software (such as an email program) creates a one-way hash of the electronic data to be signed. The private key is then used to encrypt the hash

- The document is first run through a one-way hashing algorithm that is very difficult to invert (e.g., MD5 or SHA)
- The hash typically produces a fixed-length result independent of the original document size
- The document owner applies his private key to the hashed document – this encrypted result is called the signature block
- The signature block is appended to the document and both are sent to the receiver
- When the document arrives, the receiver first computes the hash of the document as agreed upon
- Then the receiver applies the sender's public key to the signature block, getting the hash computed by the sender
- This hash must match the hash of the document computed by the receiver
- A digital signature also makes it possible to sign e-mail messages and other digital documents such that they cannot be repudiated by the sender later

B) Let m be a message. Suppose Alice and Bob share a secret key k . Alice sends Bob $m \parallel \{m\}k$ (that is, the message and its encipherment under k). Is this a digital signature?

First, Alice has authenticated the contents of the message, because Bob deciphers $\{m\}k$ and can check that the message matches the deciphered one. Because

only Bob and Alice know k , and Bob knows that he did not send the message, he concludes that it has come from Alice. He has authenticated the message origin and integrity. However, based on the mathematics alone, Bob cannot prove that he did not create the message, because he knows the key used to create it. Hence, this is not a digital signature

Q[2][11] Answer the following questions about kereboeros Protocol.

A)Describe briefly the roles of the 3 different servers used in kerboeros

Kerberos uses the Needham-Schroeder protocol as modified by Denning and Sacco. Kerberos is used to control access to servers (file server, print server, etc). It emphasizes the difference between authentication (determining who the user is) and authorization (determining what the authenticated user is allowed to do).

The name Kerberos refers to the three headed dog from Greek mythology that guarded the gates of hell. The three heads are

1. The authentication server which authenticates a user and issues him a ticket that allows him to use the authorization server
2. The authorization (ticket-granting) server checks whether the user is authorized to use the requested server and if so issues him a ticket to use the server.
3. The server checks to make sure that the authorization server's ticket is valid and if so grants the user access to the server.

B) what is potential problem of kerboeros?

Kerberos relies on clock synchronization and also dictionary attack is possible which can break this protocol.

Q.3 [9] Policy restricts the use of electronic mail on a particular system to faculty and staff. Students cannot send or receive electronic mail on that host. Classify the following mechanisms as secure, precise, or broad.

- a. The electronic mail sending and receiving programs are disabled.[secure]
- b. As each letter is sent or received, the system looks up the sender (or recipient) in a database. If that party is listed as faculty or staff, the mail is processed. Otherwise, it is rejected. (Assume that the database entries are correct.)
[precise]
- c. The electronic mail sending programs ask the user if he or she is a student. If so, the mail is refused. The electronic mail receiving programs are disabled. [broad]

Solution:

The electronic mail sending and receiving programs are disabled.

Secure

The security mechanism restricts students from sending and receiving programs causing the system to be in secure states as specified in the security policy. However, since this state is only a subset of the states specified in the security policy (state where faculty and staff can send and receive email cannot be reached) this mechanism can be described as secure at best.

As each letter is sent or received, the system looks up the sender (or recipient) in a database. If that party is listed as faculty or staff, the mail is processed. Otherwise, it is rejected. (Assume the database entries are correct.)

Precise.

The stated security mechanism will restrict the system to set of states which is the same set of states as specified by the security policy. Hence the security mechanism is precise.

The electronic mail sending programs ask the user if he or she is a student. If so, the mail is refused. The electronic mail receiving programs are disabled.

Broad.

Students could answer 'No' when they are asked if he or she is a student. Thus, they may be able to successfully send an email causing the system to be in a state which is non-secure. Hence, this is a broad mechanism.

Q[4][9]

The security levels are TOP SECRET, SECRET, CONFIDENTIAL, and UNCLASSIFIED (ordered from highest to lowest)The categories are A, B and C. Discretionary access controls allow anyone access unless otherwise specified

[3] Robin, who has no clearances (and so works at the UNCLASSIFIED level), wants to access a document classified (CONFIDENTIAL, {B}). What types of access does she have?

CONFIDENTIAL is greater than UNCLASSIFIED and the empty set (the categories of Robin) is a subset of {B} so the object dominates the subject and hence Robin can write.

[3] Paul, cleared for (TOP SECRET, {A, C}), wants to access a document classified (SECRET, {B, C}). What type of access does he have?

neither

[3] Sammi, cleared for (TOP SECRET, {A, C}), wants to access a document classified (CONFIDENTIAL, {A}). What types of access does he have?

read

Homework 4 solutions

Due: 9th February(Monday), in class

1. Given the security levels TOP SECRET, SECRET, CONFIDENTIAL, and UNCLASSIFIED (ordered from highest to lowest), and the categories A, B, and C, specify what type of access (read, write, both, or neither) is allowed in each of the following situations. Assume that the discretionary access controls allow anyone access unless otherwise specified.
 - a. Paul, cleared for {TOP SECRET, {A,C}}, wants to access a document classified {SECRET, {B,C}}.
 - b. Anna, cleared for {CONFIDENTIAL,{C}}, wants to access a document classified {CONFIDENTIAL, {B}}.
 - c. Jesse, cleared for {SECRET, {C}}, wants to access a document classified {CONFIDENTIAL, {C}}.
 - d. Sammi, cleared for {TOP SECRET, {A,C}}, wants to access a document classified {CONFIDENTIAL, {A}}.
 - e. Robin, who has no clearances (and so works at the UNCLASSIFIED level), wants to access the document classified {CONFIDENTIAL, {B}}.

Answers:

Let A's compartment be (L_A, C_A) and B's be (L_B, C_B) . The simple security condition says that A can read B if and only if $L_A \geq L_B$ and $C_B \sqcap C_A$. The *-property says that A can write B if and only if $L_B \geq L_A$ and $C_A \sqcap C_B$. Remember that $\text{TOPSECRET} \geq \text{SECRET} \geq \text{CONFIDENTIAL} \geq \text{UNCLASSIFIED}$.

- a. $L_{\text{Paul}} = \text{TOPSECRET} \geq \text{SECRET} = L_{\text{doc}}$, so Paul cannot write the document. Paul cannot read the document either, because $C_{\text{doc}} = \{ B, C \} \setminus \{ A, C \} = C_{\text{Paul}}$.
- b. $L_{\text{Anna}} = \text{CONFIDENTIAL} \geq \text{CONFIDENTIAL} = L_{\text{doc}}$, but $C_{\text{doc}} = \{ B \} \setminus \{ C \} = C_{\text{Anna}}$ so Anna cannot read the document, and $C_{\text{Anna}} = \{ C \} \setminus \{ B \} = C_{\text{doc}}$, so Anna cannot write the document.
- c. $L_{\text{Jesse}} = \text{SECRET} \geq \text{CONFIDENTIAL} = L_{\text{doc}}$, and $C_{\text{doc}} = \{ C \} \sqcap \{ C \} = C_{\text{Jesse}}$, so Jesse can read the document. As $L_{\text{Jesse}} > L_{\text{doc}}$, however, Jesse cannot write the document.
- d. As $L_{\text{Sammi}} = \text{TOPSECRET} \geq \text{CONFIDENTIAL} = L_{\text{doc}}$ and $C_{\text{doc}} = \{ A \} \sqcap \{ A, C \} = C_{\text{Sammi}}$, Sammi can read the document. But the first inequality means Sammi cannot write the document.
- e. As $C_{\text{Robin}} = \emptyset \sqcap \{ B \} = C_{\text{doc}}$ and $L_{\text{doc}} = \text{CONFIDENTIAL} \geq \text{UNCLASSIFIED} = L_{\text{Robin}}$, Robin can write the document. However, because $L_{\text{doc}} \geq L_{\text{Robin}}$, she cannot read the document

Q5[9] Advantages of CAs over KDCs

The CA doesn't have to be online. It can be in a locked room, create a certificate and put it on a floppy disk. A user has to communicate with a KDC online (as described in lecture 8) to get a session key.

- Since a CA is not online, it can be simpler (economy of mechanism)

- There is no single point of failure for a CA. But if the KDC (Cathy) goes down, Alice and Bob cannot create a session key.
- Certificates are not security sensitive. All an attacker can do is delete certificates, he can't create bogus certificates because he doesn't have the private key of the CA.
- Since a compromised CA doesn't have a private key, it can't decipher conversations but a compromised KDC can (it has the keys that it shares with the users that trust it). That is, you have to trust a KDC more than a CA. All you give the CA is your public key.

Q 9 [6] Consider a computer system with three users: Alice, Bob, and Cyndy. Alice owns the file *alicer*, and Bob and Cyndy can read it. Cyndy can read and write the file *obrc*, which Bob owns, but Alice can only read it. Only Cyndy can read and write the file *cyndyrc*, which she owns. Assume that the owner of each of these files can execute it.

a. Create the corresponding access matrix

	<i>alicer</i>	<i>obrc</i>	<i>cyndyrc</i>
<i>Alice</i>	OX	R	
<i>Bob</i>	R	OX	
<i>Cyndy</i>	R	RW	ORWX

Q. 10[6] Briefly explain how Clark-Wilson integrity model supports the separation of duty .

The system must associate a user with each TP and set of CDIs. The TP may access those CDIs on behalf of the associated user. The TP cannot access that CDI on behalf of a user if she/he is not associated with that TP and CDI.

- System must maintain, enforce certified relation
- System must also restrict access based on user ID (*allowed* relation)
- Now we have human, and we have to enforce separation of duty and authentication

Q 11[6] Differentiate between a known plaintext attack and chosen plaintext attack.

- Known plaintext
Adversary has the ciphertext for a known plaintext, wants to find the key
- Chosen plaintext
Adversary can generate ciphertext for any plaintext, wants to find the key

The **known-plaintext attack** (KPA) is an **attack** model for cryptanalysis where the attacker has access to both the **plaintext** (called a crib), and its encrypted version (ciphertext). These can be used to reveal further secret information such as secret keys and code books.

A **chosen-plaintext attack** (CPA) is an **attack** model for cryptanalysis which presumes that the attacker can obtain the ciphertexts for arbitrary **plaintexts**. The goal of the **attack** is to gain information which reduces the security of the encryption scheme

1a Logic Bombs:

A programs that performs an action that violates the site security policy when some external event occurs. Example: program that deletes company's payroll records when one particular record is deleted. The "particular record" is usually that of the person writing the logic bombs.

Bacteria: A program that absorbs all of some class of resources. Example: Shell commands of Unix system, while true do mkdir x chdir x done

1b Virus - data: written to program, Instructions: then executes

Treating data and instructions as separate types, and requires certifying authority to approve conversion. Certifying authority will not make mistakes and assumption that tools, supporting infrastructure used in certifying process are not corrupt. All the virus have data and instructions, so distinguishing between data and instructions helps to determine which resources have the possibility to hold the viruses.

1c encrypted virus and polymorphic virus

Extra: Malicious Logic: Malicious Logic is a set of instructions that causes site security policy to be violated. In SCI terms this is analogous to a violation of natural laws.

Extra: Diff formal verification and Penetration Testing

Formal Verification: Preconditions – Program - Post Condition

Penetration Testing: System characteristics, environment & state – program / system – system state

Mock 4: Formal Verification: Mathematically verifying that a system satisfies certain constraint.
Penetration Testing: Testing to verify that a system satisfies the certain constraint. Penetration testing is a testing technique, not a verification technique. It can prove the presence of vulnerabilities but absence of vulnerabilities.

2a. Minimize false positive and minimize false negative.

2b.

Principle of Intrusion Detection

No anomalies: No Misuse: **Specs satisfied:**

Anomaly Detection looks for unexpected events

Misuse detection looks for what is known to be bad

Specification-based detection looks for what is known not to be good.

Consider the following situation at Annapurna (the cafeteria at M.U.M.)

A diner must show a badge or purchase a meal before eating at Annapurna.

Each diner uses a tray. If the number of trays washed in a day does not equal the number of diners counted by the door checker, then somebody has cheated

Annapurna and eaten for free.

By analogy, this is an example of which of the following:

Misuse modeling

Consider the following policy implemented by Annapurna (the cafeteria at M.U.M.)

A student usually accesses only the dining room and the dish room. If a student

is found in the kitchen this is reported (he/she may be trying to put some chicken in the soup).

By analogy, this is an example of which of the following:

The student here is a process. The places he/she can visit are like files and programs. Entering kitchen is like a process attempting to access file that its specification says that it shouldn't. This is specification based modeling.

Consider the following information about Annapurna, the cafeteria at MUM.

From past experience Annapurna has determined that each student on the average drinks one pint of milk per day. Based on this information they budget

for X gallons of milk per day. If on some day, all X gallons have been used before the midday meal, there is reason to suspect that someone is stealing milk.

By analogy, Annapurna is doing what kind of modelling here?

Anomaly modeling is statistical in nature. The phrase "each student on the average drinks one pint of the milk per day" indicates the statistical nature of this.

A system has classified and unclassified documents in it. An employee is accused of using a word processing program during the last month to secretly save copies of classified documents. Discuss if and how, each of 3 forms of intrusion detection (Anomaly, Misuse and Specification) could be used to argue against this accusation.

2 c. A security guards at a professional soccer match notice that two men are climbing over the fence; the security guards detain these men. Which ID models used here justify your answer.

3 a. Briefly explain the 4 steps in the flaw hypothesis methodology

Information gathering: Become familiar with system's functioning. Ideally acquire the knowledge of the system that a potential hacker has. Read manuals & specification (open design), Look how system manages privileged users.

Flaw hypothesis: Draw on knowledge to hypothesize vulnerabilities, e.g. If manual indicates a maximum length of some field, try a longer length.

Flaw Testing (do not harm): Assign priorities & test out hypothesis (e.g. focus on external attack rather than inside job). Avoid exploiting the flaw unless management does not believe the flaw exists. As with any test, it must be as simple as possible and must be repeatable.

Flaw Generalization: Generalize vulnerability to find others like it. E.g. If an account with default password found generalized two things: 1) users poorly educated in password management 2), There may be other account with default passwords.

3 b. What are the goals of penetration testing and how does this compare with the goals of formal verification.

Goals: Attempt to violate specific constraints in security and / or integrity policy .implies metric for determining success, Must be well-defined. Ex. Subsystem designed to allow owner to require others to give password before accessing file.

Formal Verification:

A tester had a bad day when he finds a bug

Mathematically verifying that a system satisfies certain constraints

Required: post conditions satisfy constraint

Penetration technique:

Penetration tester had a bad day if he does not find a bug

Testing to verify that a system satisfies certain constraints

Hypothesis stating system characteristics, environment, and state relevant to vulnerability

Result is compromised system state.

Apply tests to try to move system from state in hypothesis to compromised system state.

Formal Verification	Penetration Testing
Mathematically verifying that a system satisfies certain constraints	Testing to verify that a system satisfies certain constraints.
Precondition: states assumptions about the system	Hypothesis stating system characteristics, environment and state relevant to vulnerability
Postconditions: result of applying system operations of preconditions input. Postcondition satisfies constraint.	Result is compromised system state. Apply tests to try to move system from state in hypothesis to compromised system state.
Program	Program / system

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a) Users are classified into four classes. Moving information from one class to another requires approval of more than user.

Principle of separation of privilege

b) Each Server has the minimum amount of knowledge of the network necessary to perform its task

Principle of least privilege

c) In the Drib Corporation, the four servers in the DMZ zone are all on separate computers.

Least Common Mechanism

d) The use of write-once media in the log server. (Deny all modifications to write-once media)

Principle of Fail-Safe defaults

e) Configuration of firewalls should be simple so that administrators will feel comfortable doing it.

Principle of Psychological Acceptability

The use of write-once media in the log server. (Can't alter it and can only destroy it if they have access to the room containing the log server).

Principle of least privilege

5 Briefly explain any 3 of your favorite SCI points that you have learned in this course so far.

There are two main forms of malicious logic, viruses and worms. There is only one form of "delicious" logic: sleep rest and then perform dynamic activity.

A buffer overflow attack causes data to flow outside the boundaries of the memory reserved for it. Here breaking boundaries is bad. However breaking boundaries to our thinking is good because it allows us to have access to the field of all possibilities. TM gives us access to this field.

In Security system lecture we learned the contrast that how a machine used by developer is configured with how the DMZ web server is configured. Knowledge is different in different state of consciousness.

6 What do you mean by a distinguished name? How will it look like for a person named Jack Davis who works at IBM in QA dept?

A distinguished name identifies a principal. It consists of a series of fields, each with a key and a value.

/O=IBM/OU=Quality Assurance/CN=Jack Davis/

7 Is cryptography used in the Drib system for integrity, confidentiality, or both? Justify

Both. Here Integrity is main concern and confidentiality is secondary with regard to updating the web server since most of the data is public and displaying on public web page (open design). Only the commercial transaction data is considered private. So cryptography is primarily used to ensure used to ensure data integrity (i.e. Turdy makes no changes during transfer) and secondarily for confidentiality.

8. Explain in short the difference between authentication and authorization.

Authentication: Binding of a principal to a representation of identity internal to the system.

Authorization: Access control checks for resource allocation based on the assumptions that binding.

9. In the dribble corporation, the IP address of outer firewall is x, that of the DMZ web server is y and that of the DMZ DNS server is z. Which of these IP addresses are known to the external Internet users.

Since DMZ purely separating internal network from external network, external internet user will get IP address x.

10. Which statistical model is likely to be used to detect someone guessing passwords.

Threshold metric

11a. A manipulation detection code is based on timestamps

False: It is based on permission bits which included in the signature and a keyless cryptographic checksum. But not Timestamp which is used to prevent replay attacks.

11b. The access control policy that is implemented in the internal drib network is originator controlled.

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11c. Vulnerability of a system increases when threats high.

True: Since threat is a possible danger that might exploit a vulnerability to breach security

11d. Security logging is the analysis of records to present information about the system in a clear and understandable manner.

False. Security logging is the recording of events or statistics to provide system use and performance.

11e. A Programming language has no effect on whether or not a program is vulnerable to a buffer overflow attack.

False. Since it modifies the data beyond its buffer, the program behaves abnormally.

Buffer Overflow: A buffer overflow occurs when a program or process tries to store more data in a buffer than it was intended to hold.

Formal Verification	Penetration Testing
Mathematically verifying that a system satisfies certain constraints	Testing to verify that a system satisfies certain constraints.
Precondition: states assumptions about the system	Hypothesis stating system characteristics, environment and state relevant to vulnerability
Postconditions: result of applying system operations of preconditions input. Postcondition satisfies constraint.	Result is compromised system state. Apply tests to try to move system from state in hypothesis to compromised system state.

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(1) [12] Answer the following questions about digital signatures.

- a. [5] What is a digital signature?
- b. [7] Let m be a message. Suppose Alice and Bob share a secret key k . Alice sends bob $m||\{m\}k$ (i.e. the message and its encipherment under k). Is this a digital signature? Why or why not? Explain your answer.

(2) [11] Answer the following questions about Kereberos protocol.

- a. [6] Describe briefly the roles of the 3 different servers used in Kereberos.
- b. [5] What is a potential problem of the Kereberos protocol?

(3) [9] Policy restricts the use of e-mail on a particular system to faculty and staff. Students cannot send or receive e-mail on that host. Classify the following mechanisms as secure, precise, or broad and briefly justify your answer.

- a. [3] The e-mail sending and receiving programs are disabled.
- b. [3] As each letter is sent or received, the system looks up the sender (or recipient) in a database. If that party is listed as faculty or staff, the mail is processed. Otherwise, it is rejected. (Assume that the database entries are correct.)
- c. [3] The e-mail sending programs ask the user if he or she is a student. If so, the mail is refused. The e-mail receiving programs are disabled.

(4) [9] In Bell-LaPadula model, the security levels are **TOP SECRET**, **SECRET**, **CONFIDENTIAL**, and **UNCLASSIFIED** (ordered from highest to lowest), and the categories are A, B, and C. Specify what type of access (read, write, both, or neither) is allowed in each of the following situations. Also briefly explain your answer. Assume that **discretionary access** controls allow anyone access unless otherwise specified.

- a. [3] Robin, who has no clearances (and so works at the UNCLASSIFIED level), wants to access a document classified (CONFIDENTIAL, {B}).
- b. [3] Paul, cleared for (TOP SECRET, {A, C}), wants to access a document classified (SECRET, {B, C}).
- c. [3] Sammi, cleared for (TOP SECRET, {A, C}), wants to access a document classified (CONFIDENTIAL, {A}).

(5) [9] Briefly explain any 3 advantages of CAs (Certification Authorities) over KDCs (Key Distribution Center).

(6) [8] Let's say that I can control some process by sending a "stop" or "start" message to a server. The fact that I am starting or stopping the process is not a secret, so I don't have to encrypt the "start" or "stop" message. But it is important that I am the only person who can stop or start the process. Therefore, I digitally sign the "stop" or "start" message with my private key. The server then decrypts the hash with my public key to make sure that I was the one who sent the message. Briefly describe what is wrong with this protocol.

(7) [8] Considering role of trust, sometimes a "back-door" is purposefully used through which the security mechanism can be bypassed. The trust resides in the belief that this back door will not be used except as specified by the policy.

Based on your experience as an IT professional, briefly describe a situation in which planting a back door would be needed & explain how it could be used and misused.

(8) [6] Please give an example of a trade-off between the principle of psychological acceptability and the principle of least privilege.

(9) [6] Consider a computer system with three users: Alice, Bob, and Cyndy. Alice owns the file Alicerc, and Bob and Cyndy can read it. Cyndy can read and write the file Bobrc, which Bob owns, but Alice can only read it. Only Cyndy can read and write the file Cyndyrc, which she owns. Assume that the owner of each of these files can execute it.

Create the corresponding access control matrix.

(10) [6] Briefly explain how Clark-Wilson integrity model supports the principle of separation of duty.

(11) [6] Differentiate between a known plaintext attack and a chosen plaintext attack.

(12) [6] We've learnt 12 design principles in this course till now. Please relate 2 of them to the SCI principles that we've studied.

[Hint: Principle of complete mediation – Infinity at a point]

(13) [5] Bob's password is "flower", but one day by accident he discovers that the password "blowfish" also works. This is a complete mystery to him because he has never used "blowfish" as a password. Please give an explanation for this behavior. The following answers are not acceptable.

- A. "there is a bug in the program"
- B. "'blowfish' was a backdoor planted by the vendor"
- C. "Bob added 'blowfish' but forgot about it"

(14) [4] What is the cipher text for word "SECURITY" using a rail-fence cipher with a key of 3?

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Ans to Q1(1)(a) Digital signature :- (Create key encryption and broad (a))

In asymmetric encryption technique, subject encrypt plaintext
with public key and send to object. The object decrypt cipher
text using ^{own} private key. To prevent possibility of decryption from

intruder, sender encrypt ~~with~~
the message with his private
key for receiver to match

Validity of encryption. This technique of associating
subject's private key to message is known as
digital signature.

$m || \{m, k_{Alice}\}_{k_{Bob}} \Rightarrow \text{Digital Sig.}$

⑥ $\xrightarrow{\text{in}}$ Alice \rightarrow Bob: $m || \{m, k_{Alice}\}_{k_{Bob}}$

To Above message is not associated with digital signature.
— for it, Alice should use his private key with message
or cipher text to Bob. So Bob used his
private key to decyphar and matched Alice
public associated with message for validity of
kecency of received message.

So, Digital signature message should like.

Alice \rightarrow Bob : $m || \{m, k_{Alice}\}_{k_{Bob}}$

Ans to Qn 2

Kerberos protocol :-

- It is improved "Deriving ..." protocol of integrity.
- Improved over Authorization process with this party Key Distribution Server (KDC).
- 3 Servers involved in authentication communications between a client. Sam Alice and Bob.
- 3 Services
 - (a) Authorization server
 - (b) Ticket Granting Server
 - (c) Key distribution center

(a) Authorization server :- is authority like

Client goes to Alice TGS \rightarrow $TGS \rightarrow K$

(b) Ticket Granting Server :- Once Client has
Ticket from Alice it will go to second party
to get public key of Bob which is

$$TGS = TGS, TGS$$

(c) Key distribution center :-

Once decrypted message from Alice, Bob's command
will be key distribution center with that ticket
to get public key of Alice to decrypt the
original message.

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② (b) potential problems :-

- The server need to online to provide services all time.
- Intruder can harm the message if pattern of third party Key ~~not~~ generated ~~can~~ be ticket authenticity comes to know.

Ans to qn (3)

(a) It is kind of Broad. As the system is disable for student, then it is not kind of security implementation. For precise, the system should check if the operator is allowed.

(b) Secure :- operation checks whether it is valid (~~secure~~ Policy defined) operation or not.

(c) Precise :- As from origin of operator checks the validity of operation.

Ans to Qn 4 :-

Bell-LaPadula Model deals w/ confidentiality of data. So it checks clearance of security with security level of object.

(a) None of access granted for Robin.

To read access,
iff $I(O) \leq I(S)$ and is has discretionary access right.
Here, it doesn't satisfies the condition.

(b) Read access for Paul here.

as paul clearance \geq required clearance level and
~~same~~ for A and C. But Document clearance
level is not with B and C. So, due to integrity
it has with B, only read access is given to Paul.

(c) Paul gives read access to Sami.

as Tom's clearance clearance with A, C and
~~not~~ can have write access with confidentiality
with A here.

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Ans to qn 5

- ① no need to online . CA issues certificate to client and client has the certificate to receiver But in KDC, client need a session key then receiver need to get sender's public key . So all of time needs to online.
- ② Out of failure operation's As no need to be online .
no failure of system due to ~~unavailability~~ of KDC .
- ③ As CA has "identity" of user. It is possible.
Can be stored in floppy device to validate authorization. But key for KDC only applicable with two interacting parties .

Ans to qn 6:

With digital signature , message can be make secure .
But in this scenario , to protect unauthorized access , there should be implement authorization control over system with access control .
For this , System ~~has~~ have to maintain access control level with role per user with secure login system . For secure login system , digital signature can be used to transfer message or record .
Then only it will be applicable to make decision with Stop and Start message to command 2 years .

Ancient

Vec, implementing back-door ~~in~~ with application ~~to~~ purposefully violates trust works with vendor. It had some code.

It may required also if there is less security ~~or~~ vulnerability. Such as for initializing ~~the~~ initial setup of application which need to configure from its own internal system. So at initial, to create user credential also it may needed.

2nd by, to make recover / access of walked modified all ~~logins~~ and ~~locked~~ the system or that case it may needed. But as a IT Professional, I never recommended to create back door in system due to following ~~points~~:

- if ^{now} lost Trust with vendor
- Risk of attack from back door or well
- Who develops the system. If they ~~stole~~ ~~had~~ many misuse a system for personal benefit or may bargain with vendor or own employee.
- Finally, it violates ^{overall} security of the system which can be achieved from proper implementation using back door.

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Ane qn 9

subject = { Alice, Bob, Cindy }

object = { Alice, Bob, Cindy }

R = { own, read, write, execute }

	Alice	Bob	Cindy
Alice	own, execute	read	own, execute
Bob	read	own, execute	read, write
Cindy	read	read, write	read, write, execute

Ane fo. qn ⑤

Clark-Wilson integrity model that supports the principle of separation of duty.

- Clark-Wilson integrity model deals of separated data. And Subject can write to file iff and only if $i(O) \leq i(S)$. So, Subject can write to object with higher privilege.
- In principle of separation duty, the operation is carried out one subject and the object which make possible of separation of duty. For example,
- Developer develops application in development environment that Developer has 4 privilege
- Deployer deploys application from development env to Production environment. i.e. Separation in Clark-Wilson Integrity model.

Ans to Qn (1)

- Known plain text attack is trying access at the confidential information which is in form of plain text. For example; SQL injection. ~~Send user~~ on basis of username say 'Bob', try to attack with injected password like ['' or 1 = 1]. Similarly, list and trial of common credential info.
- Chosen plain text attack is trying to get access over confidential information by means of plain text. ~~with~~ and its some standard encryption format. for example; Dictionary attack. Using set of possible combinations of credential, it tries to encrypt the given in a encryption and try to match it with actual encrypted one. If match then that credential ~~will~~ will be known.

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Ans to Qn 12

1. Certificate Authority (CA) implementation for secure communication can be relation with SCI's Pishi, Chandas, Devela i.e. Knoss, Known and Knower.

SSL uses CA as third party to verify authorized user who know the information (Details) and client is known as Chandas ~~as who~~ who will get information and ~~the~~ vendor who is or known who has information.

②. Principle of Separation of Duties

At the time of transaction, everyone can feel own potentialities and perform no task that last longer to higher than a field which will create less chance for others to individual and recognized as his/her caliber and trust by society. Similarly, principle of separation of duty provides clear security measure on integrity of information that is provided trustworthy to clients.

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Ans to Qn 13

- ① In this case, the system may be lack of implementation with unique user name. So, there might be another user with same user name but password is "blowfish". And system just checks if password is available with user name is bob or not. And there is not any implementation of personalization of system after successful login.
- ② Next issue may be the password encryption is not properly implemented.

Suppose

$$e("flower") = e("blowfish"). \quad \text{~~blowfish~~}$$

i.e. without proper implementation logic in
 $e()$ \Rightarrow exception will be

Ans to Qn 14

rail-fence cipher :- $k=3$

$c("SECURITY") -$

↑

$k=3$

= C R

= CURTSE

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Ans to Qn 8

~~The~~ Trade-off b/w the principle A psychological acceptability and principle of least privilege.

- if the privilege is less than acceptable, then user cannot operate that kind of operation for example, if only read permission then cannot write. But principle of psychological acceptability, If someone can write privilege, then he/she can read also. ~~vice versa~~

But principle of psychological acceptability is not always valid ~~with~~ ~~for~~ principle of least privilege.

for example,

TOP SECRET message option is read
Some are read secret information (Confidentiality)
but not write or modify information. ~~SECRET~~

- Jagi Guru Dass