First Last

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Education

Jawn University

Philadelphia, PA

Aug 2020 - May 2024

• Bachelor of Science in Computer Science • GPA: 3.93

Skills

Programming Languages: C, C++, Python, Javascript, x86 ASM

Other: Linux, Git/Github, Tmux, (Neo)vim, Ghidra, GDB (GNU Debugger), Binary Exploitation, Basic Reverse Engineering, Wireshark, Pwntools, Nmap

Experience

Princeton Plasma Physics Lab Intern

Princeton, NJ

Oct 2019 - Dec 2019

• Designed circuitry for a Langmuir probe, a device used to measure plasma properties like density and temperature

Projects

MITRE Embedded Security Challenge

(C, AES, AVR)

- Designed a custom bootloader for an Atmega microcontroller with AES-CBC encryption and HMAC verification
- Attacked bootloaders from other teams by dumping flash via JTAG after finding out that fuse bits were incorrectly setup.

TI-Authenticator: 2-Factor Authentication With a Calculator

(C, HMAC, SHA1, OTP)

- Produced the first calculator app to provide rolling passcodes similar to Google Authenticator and Duo on a TI-84+
 CE graphing calculator to enhanced login security via 2-Factor Authentication
- Implemented the two types of One-Time Password (OTP) algorithms from scratch based on the <u>RFC 4226</u> and <u>RFC 6238</u> specifications based on a custom implementation of the HMAC algorithm (for learning purposes)

Personal Blog and Capture the Flag (CTF) Security Challenge Writeups

- Described the process of reversing using Ghidra (reverse engineering tool), bypassing exploitation mitigation techniques like NX (Non-executable stack) & ASLR (Address space layout randomization), and leveraging Return Oriented Programming (ROP) to exploit a binary.
- Wrote a writeup on utilizing a tape-drive, emoji based assembly language to implement subtraction and xor from scratch with bitwise operators.

Revere Engineering Malware Lab

• Learned reverse engineering techniques for reversing malware using Malware Unicorn's free, online reverse engineering workshops (Triage Analysis, Static Analysis, and Dynamic Analysis)

Awards/Activities

CTF (Capture the Flag Computer Security Competitions):

- 1st at castorsCTF20 (out of 500) 2nd at OwlHacks RSM CTF 4th at MetaCTF 2020 (out of 1017) 4th at RACTF 2020 (out of 1047)
- 25th at PicoCTF 2019 (out of 11722) 35th at TJCTF 2019 (out of 483) 13th at MITRECTF 2019 (out of 262)

Member:Random CTF Team (Top 100 Globally)May 2019 - PresentMember:Jawn Hack-a-Hardware / Computer Security ClubOct 2020 - Present