

Network Security – Class Test Update

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Class Test – 15 February 2019 – 1pm

- 1 hour
- 20 Questions
- QuestionMark e.g. Multiple Choice, Matching, Short Essay Response
- Topics:
 - Introduction to Network Security
 - Network security architecture
 - Security issues in internet protocols
 - NAT/Tunneling/VPN (Week 4 material only)

Example Questions/Question Style

Remember the Pop Quizzes:

1. The CIA triad comprises what elements?

- ☐ A Confidentiality, Integrity, Auditability
- ☐ B Authentication, authorization, accountability
- ☐ C Capable, available, integral
- ☐ D Availability, confidentiality, integrity

5. How do you calculate risk?

- ☐ A Risk = Criticality * Effort
- ☐ B Risk = Threat/Vulnerability
- ☐ C Risk = Criticality/Effort
- ☐ D Risk = Attack * Protection Capability

Example Questions/Question Style

Match the security goals to the description

(Lecture02 – Slide 9)

E.g. Two drop-down lists and you have to match up the security goal with the definition/description provided.

Give an example of a header-based attack.

(Lecture03 – Slides 24/25)

E.g. The Ping of Death is a header-based attack. A malicious user sends a malformed ping packet with the fragment offset value set to the maximum and more data than the maximum packet length. When the receiver reassembles the IP fragments, it has a packet larger than the max. IP packet size (i.e. > 65,535 bytes), which leads to a buffer overflow.

Example Questions/Question Style

What are the two main security issues with ARP?

(Lecture06 – Slide 23)

E.g.

- (1) ARP is a stateless protocol, which means that ARP requests and replies are treated independently. As a result, information from gratuitous ARP replies are accepted.
- (2) There is no mechanism to authenticate the sender of an ARP request/reply message or to check the integrity or validity of provided information so it is possible to poison a host's ARP cache with a false IP-MAC address mapping.

Identify the drawbacks of DNSSEC.

(Lecture08 – Slide 43)

E.g.

- (1) DNSSEC introduces added complexity with the requirement to sign and check DNS records and to manage key distribution. This makes it easier to perform DoS attacks on DNS servers.
- (2) The requirement for zones to be completely signed introduces an overhead that can be a performance challenge for large companies or registries.
- (3) The distribution of anchor keys is still a manual task, which allows for human error and threats from social engineering.



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