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- Organized Hackers: Miscreants or hardened criminals who use rented devices or botnets to perform various
 cyber-attacks to pilfer money from victims.
- OS Discovery/Banner Grabbing: Banner grabbing or OS fingerprinting is the method used to determine the
 operating system running on a remote target system.
- Overpass-the-Hash Attack: It is a type of credential theft-and-reuse attack using which attackers perform
 malicious activities on compromised devices or environments.
- Obfuscator: A program that conceals its code and intended purpose via various techniques, and thus, makes it hard for security mechanisms to detect or remove it.
- Obfuscating: Obfuscating is an IDS evasion technique used by attackers who encode the attack packet
 payload in such a way that the destination host can decode the packet but not the IDS.
- OAuth: OAuth is an authorization protocol that allows a user to grant limited access to their resources on a site to a different site without having to expose their credentials.
- Output Encoding: Output encoding is used to encode the input to ensure it is properly sanitized before being passed to the database.
- Orthogonal Frequency-Division Multiplexing (OFDM): An OFDM is a method of digital modulation of data
 in which a signal, at a chosen frequency, is split into multiple carrier frequencies that are orthogonal
 (occurring at right angles) to each other.
- Omnidirectional Antenna: Omnidirectional antennas radiate electromagnetic (EM) energy in all directions.
- OTP Hijacking: Attackers hijack OTPs and redirect them to their personal devices using different techniques such as social engineering and SMS jacking.
- OT: Operational Technology (OT) is the software and hardware designed to detect or cause changes in industrial operations through direct monitoring and/or controlling of industrial physical devices.
- Operational Technology Cyber Security Alliance (OTCSA): OTCSA educates operators and manufacturers
 with constant technical awareness and provides guidelines to apply essential changes, updates,
 integrations, etc.

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- Passive Attacks: Passive attacks involve intercepting and monitoring network traffic and data flow on the target network and do not tamper with the data.
- Procedures: "Procedures" are organizational approaches that threat actors follow to launch an attack.
- Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard (PCI DSS): The Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard (PCI DSS) is a proprietary information security standard for organizations that handle cardholder information for major debit, credit, prepaid, e-purse, ATM, and POS cards.
- Passive Footprinting: Passive footprinting involves gathering information about the target without direct interaction.
- Packet Fragmentation: Packet fragmentation refers to the splitting of a probe packet into several smaller packets (fragments) while sending it to a network.
- Proxy Server: A proxy server is an application that can serve as an intermediary for connecting with other computers.
- Password Cracking: Password cracking techniques are used to recover passwords from computer systems.
- Password Guessing: Password guessing is a password-cracking technique that involves attempting to log
 on to the target system with different passwords manually.

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- Password Spraying Attack: Password spraying attack targets multiple user accounts simultaneously using
 one or a small set of commonly used passwords.
- Pass the Ticket Attack: Pass the Ticket is a technique used for authenticating a user to a system that is using Kerberos without providing the user's password.
- PRINCE Attack: An advanced version of a combinator attack where instead of taking input from two
 different dictionaries, attackers use a single input dictionary to build chains of combined words.
- Password Salting: Password salting is a technique where a random string of characters are added to the
 password before calculating their hashes.
- Privilege Escalation: A privilege escalation attack is the process of gaining more privileges than were initially acquired.
- Packer: A program that allows all files to bundle together into a single executable file via compression to bypass security software detection.
- Payload: A piece of software that allows control over a computer system after it has been exploited.
- Potentially Unwanted Application or Applications (PUAs): Also known as grayware or junkware, are
 potentially harmful applications that may pose severe risks to the security and privacy of data stored in the
 system where they are installed.
- Packet Sniffing: Packet sniffing is the process of monitoring and capturing all data packets passing through a given network using a software application or hardware device.
- Passive Sniffing: It involves monitoring packets sent by others without sending any additional data packets in the network traffic.
- Piggybacking: Piggybacking usually implies entry into a building or security area with the consent of the authorized person.
- Pop-Up Windows: Windows that suddenly pop up while surfing the Internet and ask for user information to login or sign-in.
- Phishing: Phishing is the practice of sending an illegitimate email claiming to be from a legitimate site in an
 attempt to acquire a user's personal or account information.
- Pharming: Pharming is a social engineering technique in which the attacker executes malicious programs
 on a victim's computer or server, and when the victim enters any URL or domain name, it automatically
 redirects the victim's traffic to an attacker-controlled website.
- Professional Insider: Harmful insiders who use their technical knowledge to identify weaknesses and vulnerabilities in the company's network and sell confidential information to competitors or black market bidders.
- Ping of Death Attack: In a Ping of Death (PoD) attack, an attacker tries to crash, destabilize, or freeze the
 targeted system or service by sending malformed or oversized packets using a simple ping command.
- Pulse Wave DDoS Attack: In a pulse wave DDoS attack, attackers send a highly repetitive, periodic train of
 packets as pulses to the target victim every 10 minutes, and each specific attack session can last for a few
 hours to days.
- Peer-to-Peer Attack: A peer-to-peer attack is a form of DDoS attack in which the attacker exploits a number of bugs in peer-to-peer servers to initiate a DDoS attack.
- Permanent Denial-of-Service Attack: Permanent DoS, also known as phlashing, refers to attacks that
 cause irreversible damage to system hardware.
- Protocol Anomaly Detection: In this type of detection, models are built to explore anomalies in the way in which vendors deploy the TCP/IP specification.