Overview

- Different aspects of security
- User authentication
- Protection mechanisms
- Attacks
  - trojan horses, spoofing, logic bombs, trap doors, buffer overflow attacks, viruses, worms, mobile code, sand boxing
- Brief intro to cryptography tools
  - one-way functions, public vs private key encryption, hash functions, and digital signatures
Security overview

- **Security flavors**
  - Confidentiality - protecting secrets
  - Integrity - preventing data contents from being changed
  - Availability - ensuring continuous operation

- **Know thine enemy!**
  - User stupidity (bad default settings from companies)
  - Insider snooping
  - Outsider snooping
  - Attacks (viruses, worms, denial of service)
  - Bots
Accidental data loss

Distinguishing security from reliability:

- **Acts of God**
  - fires, floods, wars
- **Hardware or software errors**
  - CPU malfunction, bad disk, program bugs
- **Human errors**
  - data entry, wrong tape mounted
  - “you” are probably the biggest threat you’ll ever face!
User Authentication
User authentication

- Must be done before the user can use the system!
  - Subsequent activities are associated with this user
    - Fork process
    - Execute program
    - Read file
    - Write file
    - Send message

- Authentication must identify:
  - Something the user knows
  - Something the user has
  - Something the user is
Authentication using passwords

User name: something the user knows
Password: something the user knows
How easy are they you guess (crack)?

(a) A successful login
(b) Login rejected after name entered (easier to crack)
(c) Login rejected after name and password typed (larger search space!)
Problems with pre-set values

- Pre-set user accounts and default passwords are easy to guess

LBL> telnet elxsi
ELXSI AT LBL
LOGIN: root
PASSWORD: root
INCORRECT PASSWORD, TRY AGAIN
LOGIN: guest
PASSWORD: guest
INCORRECT PASSWORD, TRY AGAIN
LOGIN: uucp
PASSWORD: uucp
WELCOME TO THE ELXSI COMPUTER AT LBL
Storing passwords

- The system must store passwords in order to perform authentication
- How can passwords be protected?
  - Rely on file protection
    - store them in protected files
    - compare typed password with stored password
  - Rely on encryption
    - store them encrypted
      - use one way function (cryptographic hash)
    - can store encrypted passwords in readable files
Password management in Unix

- **Password file - /etc/passwd**
  - It’s a world readable file!

- **/etc/passwd entries**
  - User name
  - Password (encrypted)
  - User id
  - Group id
  - Home directory
  - Shell
  - Real name
  - ...

Dictionary attacks

- If encrypted passwords are stored in world readable files and you see that another user’s encrypted password is the same as yours
  - Their password is also the same!

- If the encryption method is well known, attackers can:
  - Encrypt an entire dictionary
  - Compare encrypted dictionary words with encrypted passwords until they find a match
Salting passwords

- The salt is a number combined with the password prior to encryption
- The salt changes when the password changes
- The salt is stored with the password
- Different users with the same password see different encrypted values in /etc/passwd
- Dictionary attack requires time-consuming re-encoding of entire dictionary for every salt value
Attacking password-based authentication

- **Guessing at the login prompt**
  - Time consuming
  - Only catches poorly chosen passwords
  - If the search space is large enough, manual guessing doesn’t work

- **Automated guessing**
  - Requires dictionary to identify relevant portion or large search space
  - Only catches users whose password is a dictionary word, or simple derivatives of a dictionary word
  - But a random combination of characters in a long string is hard to remember!
    - If users store it somewhere it can be seen by others
More attacks ...

- **Viewing of passwords kept in the clear**
  - Written on desk, included in a network packet etc...

- **Network packet sniffers**
  - Listen to the network and record login sessions

- **Snooping**
  - observing key strokes
General counter-measures

- Better passwords
  - No dictionary words, special characters, longer
- Don’t give up information
  - Login prompts or any other time
- One time passwords
  - Satellite driven security cards
- Limited-time passwords
  - Annoying but effective
- Challenge-response pairs
  - Ask questions
- Physical authentication combined with passwords
  - Perhaps combined with challenge response too
Authentication using a physical object

- Magnetic cards
  - magnetic stripe cards
  - chip cards: stored value cards, smart cards
Authentication using biometrics

A device for measuring finger length.
More counter-measures

- Limiting times when someone can log in
- Automatic callback at a pre-specified number
- Limited number or frequency of login tries
- Keep a database of all logins
- Honey pot
  - leave simple login name/password as a trap
  - security personnel notified when attacker bites
Verifying the user is a human!

Word Verification
Enter the word as it is shown in the box below.

lump

depen
Protection Domains
Protection domains

- Suppose that we have successfully authenticated the user, now what?
  - For each process created we can keep track of who it belongs to
    - All its activities are on behalf of this user
  - We can check all of its accesses to resources
    - Files, memory, devices ...
Real vs effective user ids

- We may need mechanisms for temporarily allowing access to privileged resources in a controlled way
  - Give user a temporary “effective user id” for the execution of a specific program
  - Similar concept to system calls that allow the OS to perform privileged operations on behalf of a user
  - A program (executable file) may have setuid root privilege associated with it
    - When executed by a user, that user's effective id is temporarily raised to root privilege
Protection domain model

- Every process executes in some protection domain
  - determined by its creator, authenticated at login time

- OS mechanisms for switching protection domains
  - system calls
  - set UID capability on executable file
  - re-authenticating user (su)
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Operations may include switching to other domains
Protection domains

- A protection matrix is just an abstract representation for allowable operations
  - We need protection “mechanisms” to enforce the rules defined by a set of protection domains
Protection Mechanisms
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  - store occupied columns only, with the resource? - **ACLs**
  - store occupied rows only, with the domain? - **Capabilities**
Access control lists for file access

Example:
User's ID stored in PCB
Access permissions stored in inodes
Access Control Lists - Users vs Roles

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<td>tana, sysadm: RW</td>
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<td>Pigeon_data</td>
<td>bill, pigfan: RW; tana, pigfan: RW; ...</td>
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- Two access control lists with user names and roles (groups)
Compact representation of ACLs

- **Problem**
  - ACLs require an entry per domain (user, role)

- **Storing on deviations from the default**
  - Default = no access
    - high overhead for widely accessible resources
  - Default = open access
    - High overhead for private resources

- **Uniform space requirements are desirable**
  - Unix Owner, Group, Others, RWX approach
### Capabilities - matrix by row

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Capabilities associated with processes

- Each process has a capability for every resource it can access
  - Kept with other process meta data
  - Checked by the kernel on every access
Cryptographically-protected capabilities

- Space overhead for capabilities encourages storing them in user space
  - But what prevents a domain from manufacturing its own new capabilities?
  - Encrypted capabilities stored in user space
    - New capabilities (encrypted) can’t be guessed

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<th>f(Objects, Rights, Check)</th>
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- Generic rights include
  - Copy capability
  - Copy object
  - Remove capability
  - Destroy object
Attacks
Login spoofing

(a) Correct login screen
(b) Phony login screen

Which do you prefer?
Which would you rather log into?
Trojan horses

- Free program made available to unsuspecting user
  - Actually contains code to do harm

- Place altered version of utility program on victim's computer
  - trick user into running that program
  - example, ls attack

- Trick the user into executing something they shouldn't
Logic bombs

- Revenge driven attack
- Company programmer writes program
  - Program includes potential to do harm
  - But its OK as long as he/she enters a password daily
  - If programmer is fired, no password and bomb “explodes”
Trap doors

while (TRUE) {
    printf("login: ");
    get_string(name);
    disable_echoing();
    printf("password: ");
    get_string(password);
    enable_echoing();
    v = check_validity(name, password);
    if (v) break;
}
execute_shell(name);

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    v = check_validity(name, password);
    if (v || strcmp(name, "zzzzz") == 0) break;
}
execute_shell(name);

(a) Normal login prompt code.
(b) Login prompt code with a trapdoor inserted
Buffer overflow vulnerabilities and attacks

- (a) Situation when main program is running
- (b) After procedure A called
  - Buffer B waiting for input
- (c) Buffer overflow shown in gray
  - Buffer B overflowed after input of wrong type
Buffer overflow attacks

- The basic idea
  - exploit lack of bounds checking to overwrite return address and to insert new return address and code at that address
  - exploit lack of separation between stack and code (ability to execute both)
  - allows user (attacker) code to be placed in a set UID root process and hence executed in a more privileged protection domain!
    - If setuid root programs have this vulnerability (many do!).
Other generic security attacks

- Request memory, disk space, tapes and just read it
  - Secrecy attack based on omission of zero filling on free
- Try to do the specified DO NOTs
  - Try illegal operations in the hope of errors in rarely executed error paths
    - i.e., start a login and hit DEL, RUBOUT, or BREAK
- Convince a system programmer to add a trap door
- Beg someone with access to help a poor user who forgot their password
Famous subtle security flaws

- The TENEX password problem
  - Place password across page boundary, ensure second page not in memory, and register user-level page fault handler
  - OS checks password one char at a time
    - If first char incorrect, no page fault occurs
    - requires $128^n$ tries instead of $128^n$
Design principles for security

- System design should be public
  - Security through obscurity doesn’t work!
- Default should be no access
- Check for “current” authority
  - Allows access to be revoked
- Give each process the least privilege possible
- Protection mechanism should be
  - simple
  - uniform
  - in lowest layers of system
- Scheme should be psychologically acceptable

And ... keep it simple!
External Attacks
External threats, viruses & worms

- **External threat**
  - code transmitted to target machine
  - code executed there, doing damage
  - may utilize an internal attack to gain more privilege (i.e. Buffer overflow)

- **Malware = program that can reproduce itself**
  - Virus: requires human action to propagate
    - Typically attaches its code to another program
  - Worm: propagates by itself
    - Typically a stand-alone program

- **Goals of malware writer**
  - quickly spreading virus/worm
  - difficult to detect
  - hard to get rid of
Virus damage scenarios

- Blackmail
- Denial of service as long as malware runs
- Damage data/software/hardware
- Target a competitor's computer
  - do harm
  - espionage
- Intra-corporate dirty tricks
  - sabotage another corporate officer's files
How viruses work

- Virus written in assembly language
- Inserted into another program
  - use tool called a “dropper”
- Virus dormant until program executed
  - then infects other programs
  - eventually executes its “payload”
Searching for executable files to infect

Recursive procedure that finds executable files on a UNIX system

Virus could infect them all

```c
#include <sys/types.h>
#include <sys/stat.h>
#include <dirent.h>
#include <fcntl.h>
#include <unistd.h>

struct sbuf;

search(char *dir_name) {
    DIR *dirp;
    struct dirent *dp;

    dirp = opendir(dir_name);
    if (dirp == NULL) return;
    /* open this directory */
    while (TRUE) {
        dp = readdir(dirp);
        if (dp == NULL) {
            chdir ("..");
            break;
        }
        if (dp->d_name[0] == '.') continue;  /* skip the . and .. directories */
        lsattr(dp->d_name, &sbuf);
        if (S_ISLNK(sbuf.st_mode)) continue; /* skip symbolic links */
        if (chdir(dp->d_name) == 0) {
            /* if chdir succeeds, it must be a dir */
            search("..");
        } else {
            /* no (file), infect it */
            if (access(dp->d_name,X_OK) == 0) /* if executable, infect it */
                infect(dp->d_name);
        }
    }
    closedir(dirp);  /* dir processed; close and return */
}
```
How viruses hide

- An executable program
- Virus at the front (program shifted, size increased)
- Virus at the end (size increased)
- With a virus spread over free space within program
  - less easy to spot, size may not increase
Difficulty extracting OS viruses

- After virus has captured interrupt, trap vectors
- After OS has retaken printer interrupt vector
- After virus has noticed loss of printer interrupt vector and recaptured it
How viruses spread

- Virus is placed where its likely to be copied or executed
- When it arrives at a new machine
  - infects programs on hard drive, floppy
  - may try to spread over LAN
- Attach to innocent looking email
  - when it runs, use mailing list to replicate further
Antivirus and anti-antivirus techniques

(a) A program
(b) An infected program
(c) A compressed infected program
(d) An encrypted virus
(e) A compressed virus with encrypted compression code
## Anti-antivirus techniques

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- **Examples of a polymorphic virus**
  - All of these examples do the same thing
Antivirus software

- **Integrity checkers**
  - use checksums on executable files
  - hide checksums to prevent tampering?
  - encrypt checksums and keep key private

- **Behavioral checkers**
  - catch system calls and check for suspicious activity
  - what does “normal” activity look like?
Virus avoidance and recovery

- **Virus avoidance**
  - good OS
  - firewall
  - install only shrink-wrapped software
  - use antivirus software
  - do not click on attachments to email
  - frequent backups
    - Need to avoid backing up the virus!
    - Or having the virus infect your backup/restore software

- **Recovery from virus attack**
  - halt computer, reboot from safe disk, run antivirus software
The Internet worm

- Robert Morris constructed the first Internet worm
  - Consisted of two programs
    - bootstrap to upload worm and the worm itself
  - Worm first hid its existence then replicated itself on new machines
  - Focused on three flaws in UNIX
    - `rsh` - exploit local trusted machines
    - `fingerd` - buffer overflow attack
    - `sendmail` - debug problem
- It was too aggressive and he was caught
Availability and denial of service attacks

- Denial of service (DoS) attacks
  - May not be able to break into a system, but if you keep it busy enough you can tie up all its resources and prevent others from using it

- Distributed denial of service (DDOS) attacks
  - Involve large numbers of machines (botnet)

- Examples of known attacks
  - Ping of death - large ping packets cause system crash
  - SYN floods - tie up buffer in establishment of TCP flows
  - UDP floods
  - Spoofing return address (ping etc)

- Some attacks are sometimes prevented by a firewall
Security Approaches for Mobile Code
Sandboxing

(a) Memory divided into 1-MB sandboxes
   ✴ each applet has two sandboxes, one for code and one for data
   ✴ some static checking of addresses

(b) Code inserted for runtime checking of dynamic target addresses
Interpretation

Applets can be interpreted by a Web browser
Code signing

How code signing works

Software vendor

Applet

Signature

H = hash(Applet)
Signature = encrypt(H)

User

Applet

Signature

H1 = hash(Applet)
H2 = decrypt(Signature)
Accept Applet if H1 = H2
Type safe languages

- A type safe language
  - compiler rejects attempts to misuse variables

- Checks include ...
  - Attempts to forge pointers
  - Violation of access restrictions on private class members
  - Misuse of variables by type
  - Generation of buffer/stack over/underflows
  - Illegal conversion of variables to another type
Covert Channels
Preserving secrecy

- How can you ensure that a process in a privileged domain doesn't communicate secret domain information to a process in a non-privileged domain?
  - Prevent/filter all interprocess communication?

- Covert channels are ways of communicating outside of the normal interprocess communication mechanisms
Covert channels

Client, server and collaborator processes

Encapsulated server can still leak to collaborator via covert channels
Locking as a covert channel

A covert channel using file locking
Covert channels

- Pictures appear the same
- Picture on right has text of 5 Shakespeare plays
  - encrypted, inserted into low order bits of color values
  - (assume high resolution images)

Zebras

Hamlet, Macbeth, Julius Caesar, Merchant of Venice, King Lear
Spare Slides
Brief Introduction to Cryptography Tools
Basics of Cryptography

Relationship between the plaintext and the ciphertext
Cryptography: confidentiality and integrity

Passive intruder only listens to C
Active intruder can alter messages
Active intruder can insert messages

Plaintext, P
Encryption method C = E_k(P)
Decryption method
Plaintext

Encryption key, E_k
Decryption key, D_k

Sender
Cipher text
Receiver
Secret-key cryptography

- **Example: mono-alphabetic substitution**

- **Given the encryption key (QWERTYUIOPASDFGHJKLZXCVBNM),**
  - easy to find decryption key using statistical properties of natural language (common letters and digrams)
  - ... despite size of search space of 26! possible keys

- **Function should be more complex and search space very large.**
Symmetric cryptography: DES

- DES operates on 64-bit blocks of data
  - initial permutation
  - 16 rounds of transformations each using a different encryption key
Per-round key generation in DES

- Each key derived from a 56-bit master by mangling function based on splitting, rotating, bit extraction and combination.
Symmetric (secret) key cryptography

- Fast for encryption and decryption
- Difficult to break analytically
- Subject to brute force attacks
  - as computers get faster must increase the number of rounds and length of keys

- Main problem
  - how to distribute the keys in the first place?
Public-key cryptography

- Use different keys for encryption and decryption
- Knowing the encryption key doesn’t help you decrypt
  - the encryption key can be made public
  - encryption key is given to sender
  - decryption key is held privately by the receiver

- But how does it work?
Public-key cryptography

- **Asymmetric (one-way) functions**
  - given function $f$ it is easy to evaluate $y = f(x)$
  - but given $y$ its computationally infeasible to find $x$

- **Trivial example of an asymmetric function**
  - encryption: $y = x^2$
  - decryption: $x = \text{squarerooot}(y)$

- **Challenge**
  - finding a function with strong security properties but efficient encryption and decryption
Public-key cryptography: RSA

- **RSA (Rivest, Shamir, Adleman)**
  - encryption involves multiplying large prime numbers
  - cracking involves finding prime factors of a large number

- **Steps to generate encryption key \((e)\) and decryption key \((d)\)**
  - Choose two very large prime numbers, \(p\) and \(q\)
  - Compute \(n = p \times q\) and \(z = (p - 1) \times (q - 1)\)
  - Choose a number \(d\) that is relatively prime to \(z\)
  - Compute the number \(e\) such that \(e \times d = 1 \mod z\)
Public-key cryptography: RSA

- **Messages split into fixed length blocks of bits**
  - interpreted as numbers with value $0 \leq m_i < n$

- **Encryption**
  - $c_i = m_i^e \pmod{n}$
  - requires that you have $n$ and encryption key $e$

- **Decryption**
  - $m_i = c_i^d \pmod{n}$
  - requires that you have $n$ and decryption key $d$
RSA vs DES

- RSA is more secure than DES
- RSA requires 100-1000 times more computation than DES to encrypt and decrypt
- RSA can be used to exchange private DES keys
- DES can be used for message contents
Secure hash functions

- Hash functions $h = H(m)$ are one way functions
  - can’t find input $m$ from output $h$
  - easy to compute $h$ from $m$

- Weak collision resistance
  - given $m$ and $h = H(m)$ difficult to find different input $m’$ such that $H(m) = H(m’)$

- Strong collision resistance
  - given $H$ it is difficult to find any two different input values $m$ and $m’$ such that $H(m) = H(m’)$

- They typically generate a short fixed length output string from arbitrary length input string
Example secure hash functions

- **MD5** - *(Message Digest)*
  - produces a 16 byte result

- **SHA** - *(Secure Hash Algorithm)*
  - produces a 20 byte result
Secure hash functions: MD5

- The structure of MD5
  - produces a 128-bit digest from a set of 512-bit blocks
  - k block digests require k phases of processing each with four rounds of processing to produce one message digest

Diagram:
- 128-bit constant
- Padded message (multiple of 512 bits)
- Digest
- 512 bits
- Digest
- Message digest
- 512 bits
Per phase processing in MD5

- Each phase involves for rounds of processing

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\begin{align*}
F(x,y,z) &= (x \text{ AND } y) \text{ OR } ((\text{NOT } x) \text{ AND } z) \\
G(x,y,z) &= (x \text{ AND } z) \text{ OR } (y \text{ AND } (\text{NOT } z)) \\
H(x,y,z) &= x \text{ XOR } y \text{ XOR } z \\
I(x,y,z) &= y \text{ XOR } (x \text{ OR } (\text{NOT } z))
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Per round processing in MD5

- The 16 iterations during the first round in a phase of MD5 using function F

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What can you use a hash function for?

- To verify the integrity of data
  - if the data has changed the hash will change (weak and strong collision resistance properties)

- To “sign” or “certify” data or software
Digital signatures

- Computing a signature block
- What the receiver gets
Digital signatures using a message digest

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Digital signatures with public-key cryptography

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Trusted Systems and Formal Models
Trusted Systems
Trusted Computing Base

A reference monitor

User process

All system calls go through the reference monitor for security checking

Reference monitor
Trusted computing base
Operating system kernel

User space
Kernel space

A reference monitor
Formal Models of Secure Systems

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(a) An authorized state

(b) An unauthorized state
Multilevel Security (1)

The Bell-La Padula multilevel security model
Multilevel Security (2)

The Biba Model

- Principles to guarantee integrity of data
- Simple integrity principle
  - process can write only objects at its security level or lower
- The integrity * property
  - process can read only objects at its security level or higher
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- **Symbol X** means new requirements
- **Symbol ->** requirements from next lower category apply here also
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Examples of specified protection with JDK 1.2