

CSC 405 Computer Security

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Administration

- Class website
 - <u>https://kapravelos.com/teaching/csc405-s19/schedule/</u>
- Piazza
 - piazza.com/ncsu/spring2019/csc405
- Mail to instructor (for private matters)
 - <u>akaprav@ncsu.edu</u>
- Recorded classes
 - <u>https://mediasite.wolfware.ncsu.edu/online/Channel/csc405-00</u>
 <u>1-sprg2019</u>

Material

- What material will we be using?
 - Unfortunately, there is no good book on systems security
 - Use the slides that I will post on the web site
 - Related papers/readings and online material (from the syllabus)

Grading

- What are the requirements to get a grade?
 - Two exams (midterm and final) 30% of grade
 - Homework Assignments & live labs 60% of grade
 - Participation 10% of grade
 - Class Participation
 - Quizzes
 - CTF events

Topics

Basics Application Security Web Security

You need to understand

- Networks and Operating Systems
- Basics of systems theory and implementation
 - E.g., file systems, distributed systems, networking, operating systems, ...
- You will build stuff. I expect you to:
 - know how to code (in language of your choice*)
 - I will use mix of pseudocode, Python, Assembly, JavaScript, PHP and C
 - be(come) comfortable with Linux/UNIX

Goals

Learn how an attacker takes control of a system

Learn to defend and avoid common exploits

Learn how to architect secure systems

Assignments

- Individual homework assignments
- These are going to be hard!
- You are going to implement attacks and defenses
- Discovering a vulnerability is a frustrating, but very rewarding in the end!

Labs - Flipped classroom

- Some of the lectures are going to be pre-recorded
- You will have to watch the lecture and study before class
- During the class we are going to do live exercises of what you've learned
- Security in practice

HackPack CTF

- Capture the Flag security competition
- 6 hours live hacking
- We'll have pizzas & sodas
- April 12th 1-7pm
- It will count as one homework assignment
- There will be prizes for top places!

HackPack CTF prizes 2017









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Participation in other CTFs

- You will form three groups of ~20 people
- I will provide a list of CTFs that are eligible
- You will compete with your team in one public CTF together with HackPack members
- You will need to provide a one page report on which challenges you worked on, how you tried to solve them and if you were successful

Readings

- There is a large amount of readings in this course covering various topics. These readings are intended to:
 - Support the lectures in the course (provide clarity)
 - Augment the lectures and provide a broader exposure to security topics
- Students are required to do the reading!
 - Some of the questions on the exams will be off the reading on topics that were not covered in class

Cheating policy

- Cheating is not allowed
- We run tools
- If you cheat you will probably get caught and get a failing grade in the course
- All academic dishonesty incidents will be reported without exception



Ethics

With great power comes great responsibility

- Topics will cover technologies whose abuse may infringe on the rights of others
- When in doubt, please contact the instructor for advice. Do not undertake any action which could be perceived as technology misuse anywhere and/or under any circumstances unless you have received explicit written permission from the instructor.

The computer security problem

- Security is everywhere (like the Matrix)
- Developers are not aware of security (we should fix this!)
 - Buggy software
 - Legacy software
 - Social engineering
- Vulnerabilities can be very damaging (and expensive)

Hacking used to be cool

But now everything is done for profit!

Vulnerabilities per product - 2015

	Product Name	Vendor Name	Product Type	Number of Vulnerabilities
1	Mac Os X	Apple	OS	422
2	Iphone Os	Apple	OS	<u>385</u>
3	Flash Player	Adobe	Application	<u>314</u>
4	<u>Air Sdk</u>	Adobe	Application	<u>246</u>
5	AIR	Adobe	Application	246
6	Air Sdk & Compiler	Adobe	Application	<u>246</u>
7	Internet Explorer	Microsoft	Application	231
8	Ubuntu Linux	Canonical	OS	214
9	<u>Opensuse</u>	Novell	OS	<u>197</u>
10	Debian Linux	Debian	OS	<u>191</u>
11	Chrome	Google	Application	<u>187</u>
12	Firefox	Mozilla	Application	<u>178</u>

Vulnerabilities per product - 2017

	Product Name	Vendor Name	Product Type	Number of Vulnerabilities
1	Android	<u>Google</u>	OS	<u>841</u>
2	Linux Kernel	<u>Linux</u>	OS	<u>436</u>
3	Iphone Os	<u>Apple</u>	OS	<u>387</u>
4	Imagemagick	Imagemagick	Application	<u>357</u>
5	Mac Os X	<u>Apple</u>	OS	<u>299</u>
6	Windows 10	<u>Microsoft</u>	OS	<u>268</u>
7	Windows Server 2016	<u>Microsoft</u>	OS	<u>252</u>
8	Windows Server 2008	<u>Microsoft</u>	OS	<u>243</u>
9	Windows Server 2012	<u>Microsoft</u>	OS	235
10	Windows 7	<u>Microsoft</u>	OS	229
11	Windows 8.1	<u>Microsoft</u>	OS	225
12	Acrobat	Adobe	Application	208

Vulnerabilities per product - 2018

	Product Name	Vendor Name	Product Type	Number of Vulnerabilities
1	Debian Linux	<u>Debian</u>	OS	<u>908</u>
2	<u>Android</u>	<u>Google</u>	OS	<u>597</u>
3	<u>Ubuntu Linux</u>	Canonical	OS	<u>478</u>
4	Enterprise Linux Server	<u>Redhat</u>	OS	<u>387</u>
5	Enterprise Linux Workstation	<u>Redhat</u>	OS	<u>370</u>
6	Enterprise Linux Desktop	<u>Redhat</u>	OS	<u>362</u>
7	<u>Firefox</u>	Mozilla	Application	<u>333</u>
8	Acrobat Reader Dc	Adobe	Application	<u>286</u>
9	Acrobat Dc	Adobe	Application	<u>286</u>
10	Windows 10	<u>Microsoft</u>	OS	<u>254</u>

Source: https://www.cvedetails.com/top-50-products.php?year=2018

Vulnerabilities per type - 1999-2018

Vulnerabilities By Type



Distribution of exploits per application 2015



Distribution of exploits per application 2017



Distribution of exploits per application 2018



Source: Kaspersky Security Bulletin 2018

Bug bounty programs

- Companies will pay you money to report vulnerabilities
- Certain conditions and rules per program
 - No Denial-of-service attacks
 - Spam
 - ... (depends on the program)

Black market for exploits

Last iOS exploit was sold for

1 million dollars





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Exploits for modern software are extremely difficult to write!

Chrome exploit

- Bug 1: run Native Client from any website
- Bug 2: integer underflow bug in the GPU command decoding -> ROP chain in GPU process
- Bug 3: impersonate the renderer from the GPU in the IPC channel
- Bug 4: allowed an unprivileged renderer to trigger a navigation to one of the privileged renderers -> launch the extension manager

Chrome exploit

- Bug 5: specify a load path for an extension
- Bug 6: failure to prompt for confirmation prior to installing an unpacked NPAPI plug-in extension

Result: install and run a custom NPAPI plugin that executes outside the sandbox at full user privilege

Next class

Refresh your assembly skills!



Your Security Zen

Meltdown and Spectre



Spectre: no easy fix, we have to redesign processors Meltdown: 30% slow down

There are proof of concepts in the wild that can read host kernel memory from inside a KVM guest

Sources: https://googleprojectzero.blogspot.com/2018/01/reading-privileged-memory-with-side.html, https://meltdownattack.com/