

Question 1: Multiple Choice .....30 points

**For each question, clearly fill in the bubble for all that apply.** Some questions may have more than one correct answer. For every wrong answer, you will lose 1 point, but the lowest score you can get for any part (e.g., 1a, 1b) is 0.

(a) (2 points) C stack frames in x86 start from lower addresses and grow towards higher addresses.

- True
- False

(b) (2 points) The Same-Origin Policy (SOP) considers two pages to have the same origin when which of the following match?

- Domain (e.g., a.com vs. b.com)
- Fragment identifier (#anchor)
- Scheme (e.g., http vs. https)
- Query string
- Port (e.g., :80 vs. :8080)

(c) (2 points) Which of the following are required properties of a cryptographic hash function?

- Pre-image resistance
- Key-dependent output
- Second pre-image resistance
- Reversibility
- Collision resistance

(d) (2 points) Which of the following are true about ARP (Address Resolution Protocol)?

- ARP messages are encrypted
- ARP maps IP addresses to MAC (hardware) addresses
- ARP spoofing can be used to perform man-in-the-middle attacks on a local network
- ARP operates at the transport layer (Layer 4)
- ARP has no built-in authentication mechanism

(e) (2 points) Which of the following are defenses against DNS cache poisoning?

- DNSSEC (cryptographically signing DNS records)
- Increasing DNS TTL values
- DNS cookies (a cryptographic challenge-response mechanism)
- 0x20 encoding (randomizing the case of query names to add entropy)
- Randomizing the UDP source port used for DNS queries

(f) (2 points) Which of the following are established secure design principles?

- Defense in depth
- Security by obscurity
- Least privilege
- Complete mediation
- Privilege separation

(g) (2 points) Which of the following are types of Denial-of-Service (DoS) or DDoS attacks?

- HTTP flood
- SQL injection
- SYN flood
- Logic-based DoS (exploiting bugs to exhaust server resources)
- Reflection and amplification attacks

(h) (2 points) Which of the following are x86 general-purpose registers?

- EAX
  - EIP
  - ECX
  - EDX
  - EBX
- (i) (2 points) Which of the following are true about DNS cache poisoning?
- An attacker can inject forged DNS responses into a recursive resolver's cache
  - DNS cache poisoning requires physical access to the DNS server
  - Bailiwick checking limits what records a name server is allowed to include in a response
  - HTTPS prevents DNS cache poisoning
  - The Kaminsky attack targets an entire zone by flooding a resolver with forged responses for random subdomains
- (j) (2 points) Which of the following are true about Subresource Integrity (SRI)?
- SRI is applied automatically by all browsers without any developer action
  - SRI uses cryptographic hashes embedded in HTML tags to verify third-party resource content
  - SRI prevents all forms of Cross-Site Scripting
  - SRI can prevent malicious code injection when a CDN is compromised
  - SRI encrypts third-party resources in transit
- (k) (2 points) Which of the following encryption approaches or modes are considered insecure?
- Cipher Block Chaining (CBC) mode with a random IV
  - Electronic Codebook (ECB) mode
  - Caesar cipher (easily broken by frequency analysis)
  - AES-256
  - Reusing a one-time pad key for more than one message
- (l) (2 points) Which of the following are true about Diffie-Hellman (DH) key exchange?
- DH allows two parties to establish a shared secret over an insecure public channel
  - DH requires a pre-shared secret to initiate the exchange
  - The security of DH relies on the hardness of the discrete logarithm problem
  - DH directly encrypts messages between the two parties
  - DH is vulnerable to an active man-in-the-middle attack when used without authentication
- (m) (2 points) Which of the following are true about BGP (Border Gateway Protocol)?
- BGP is used for routing between different Autonomous Systems on the Internet
  - BGP hijacking can redirect Internet traffic through an attacker-controlled network
  - BGP provides end-to-end encryption of routed traffic
  - BGP has no built-in mechanism to authorize route announcements
  - BGP is only used within a single organization's internal network
- (n) (2 points) Which of the following are true about HTTP cookies?
- Cookies are set by the server using the `Set-Cookie` response header
  - The browser validates the authenticity of cookie contents
  - Persistent cookies have a specified expiration date
  - Cookies are encrypted by default
  - Session cookies are deleted when the browser session ends
- (o) (2 points) Which of the following are true about Certificate Authorities (CAs) and the PKI?
- Root CA certificates are hardcoded into browsers and operating systems
  - CAs can decrypt TLS traffic to any site for which they issued a certificate
  - A CA signs a server's public key (in a certificate) to vouch for its identity
  - A misissued certificate for a domain can enable a man-in-the-middle attack against that domain
  - Intermediate CAs can issue certificates on behalf of a root CA

Question 2: Short Answer ..... 6 points

**Fill in your answers as succinctly as possible.**

- (a) (2 points) What is RSA, and how would you encrypt a message to Bob with an RSA scheme assuming a public modulus  $N$ , message  $m$ , and Bob's public key  $(e, N)$ ?

- (b) (2 points) List two network protocols that seek to *add* security on top of an existing, insecure protocol.

- (c) (2 points) What was the Mirai botnet, and what was the fundamental vulnerability that enabled Mirai to wreak havoc on the Internet in 2016?

Question 3: PA5 Question ..... 9 points

- (a) (2 points) A message has been encrypted using a Vigenere cipher with the following key. What is the plaintext?

Encrypted message: "GFSDNVEQS"  
Vigenere cipher key: "AREALKEY"

You can use the alphabet below to help you decode the message:

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25

- (b) (2 points) Assume that MD5 operates on blocks of size 512 bits. What would be the length of the padding (in bits) generated by the algorithm if you apply the cipher to a message that is 1536 bits long?

- (c) (3 points) Examine at the following code snippet.

```
m = "message"
h = md5()
digest = h.hexdigest()
print(digest)

h = md5(state = digest.decode("hex"), count = 512)
print(h.hexdigest())
```

Assume the proper libraries from PA5 has been imported. Will the two print statements print the same string? Explain.

- (d) (2 points) Ben Bitdiddle decides to write code for an actual length extension attack, but his code doesn't work:

```
from md5 import md5
m="im ben"
x="im bennnnn"
h=md5()
h.update(m)
d=h.hexdigest()
```

```
h=md5(state=d.decode("hex"),count=512)
h.update(x)
assert(h.hexdigest()==md5(m+x).hexdigest())
```

He expects the assertion to be true, demonstrating a hash collision. Instead, it throws an assertion error. What did Ben forget?