CS 3710: Intro to Cybersecurity Final Exam, spring 2023

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There are 6 pages to this exam. Once the exam starts, please make sure you have all the pages. Questions are worth different amounts of points.

Answers for the short-answer questions should not exceed about 20 words; if your answer is too long (say, more than 30 words), you will get a zero for that question!

This exam is CLOSED text book, closed-notes, closed-calculator, closed-cell phone, closed-computer, closed-neighbor, etc. Questions are worth different amounts, so be sure to look over all the questions and plan your time accordingly. Please sign the honor pledge below.

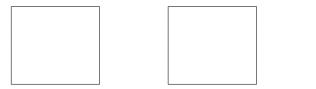
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Page 2: Encryption and Networks

1. [4 points] Consider the random sequence from the LCG (Linear Congruential Generator) with modulus m = 7, multiplier a = 3, and increment c = 2. Given seed 0, generate the first three terms of this sequence. Show your work, but put the term values in order in the boxes shown.



2. [4 points] What is the formula to encrypt a plain text message *m* with RSA? Put your answer in the box!



3. [4 points] Briefly, what two properties make RSA hard to crack?

4. [4 points] List three things that makes the TLS protocol secure.

Page 3: Modern topics

5. [4 points] *Briefly,* what prevents one from changing a cryptocurrency transaction many blocks in the past?

6. [4 points] Briefly, how might you trace somebody who uses Tor?

7. [4 points] Briefly, what was the most innovative aspect of Stuxnet?

8. [4 points] *Briefly*, what is a CVE? Why should we care?

Page 4: Binary Exploits

9. [4 points] *Briefly*, explain, in English, how virus decryptor might work. If your answer is more than 30 words, you will not receive any credit for the question.

10. [4 points] *Briefly,* briefly explain the difference between oligomorphic, polymorphic, and metamorphic viruses.

11. [4 points] *Briefly*, explain how a stack canary can defeat a printf() format string attack.

12. [4 points] Briefly, what does Address Space Layout Randomization (ASLR) do?

Page 5: Non-technical (ethics, policy, security mindset, forensics, etc.)

13. [4 points] *Briefly,* When can the government force you to reveal your encrypted hard drive password?

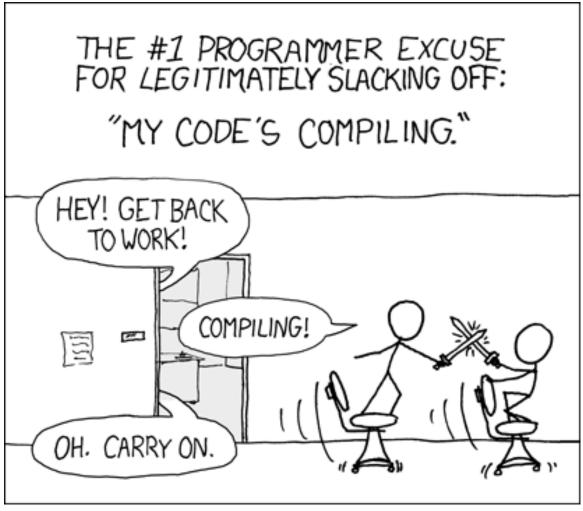
14. [4 points] *Briefly*, What is the biggest vulnerability to UVA security?

15. [4 points] Which ethical framework do you find most compelling? Briefly, why?

16. [4 points] Using the security mindset, how would you prevent future students from cheating, by using a generative AI system such as ChatGPT, on programming assignments? Page 6 of 6

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