

Computer Hacking & Cybercrime

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The Law

☞ Originally passed in 1986 as The Computer Fraud and Abuse Act

☞ Amended to include the National Information Infrastructure Protection Act of 1996

Hacking Tools

◆ Network Scanners

◆ Port Scanners / Vulnerability Scanners

- ☞ LANGuard - <http://www.gfisoftware.com/languard/languard.htm>
- ☞ Cyberkit - <http://www.cyberkit.net/>
- ☞ Nmap - <http://www.insecure.org/nmap/>
- ☞ SATAN - <http://www.fish.com/satan/>
- ☞ ISS—Author Christopher Klaus formed company which sells BlackICE Defender - <http://www.iss.net>

Hacking Tools

◆ Network Scanners

◆ Packet Sniffers

- http://www.packetattack.com/network_analysis_sniffers.html
- ☞ For Linux - <http://packetstorm.widexs.nl/sniffers/>
- ☞ For Windows - <http://www.cybersnitch.net/tucofs/tucofs.asp?mode=mainmenu>
- ☞ Wireless Networks—<http://www.wirelesspackets.com/products/airopeak>
- ☞ Commercial Products:
 - ☞ Sniffer (NAI) - <http://www.sniffer.com>
 - ☞ Net Boy - <http://ns2.ndgsoftware.com/>

Hacking Tools

◆ Password Crackers

- ⌘ L0phtCrack
 - ⌘ Company has now gone legit, sells security services - <http://www.l0pht.com>
- ⌘ Password Remover
 - ⌘ Removes passwords from Excel Spreadsheets - <http://www.straxy.com/excel/password.html>
- ⌘ Brutus - <http://www.boobie.net/brutus/>
- ⌘ Others:
 - ⌘ <http://www.megasecurity.org/PwCrack.html>
 - ⌘ <http://www.interfek.org.uk/downloads/>
 - ⌘ <http://internettrash.com/users/hacknup/pswcrackers111111111.html>
 - ⌘ <http://www.blackcode.com/archive/windows/>
 - ⌘ http://www.bakler.com/psw_crak.html

Hacking Tools

◆ Buffer Overflows

- ⌘ Causes code to execute on remote machine
- ⌘ Sometimes causes system to drop down to command prompt

Hacking Tools

◆ Social Engineering

- ⌘ Unsuspecting employees are tricked into revealing logins, passwords, and network information.

Hackers

◆ Covering Their Tracks

- ⌘ Give the exploiting applications common names
- ⌘ Remove log entries
- ⌘ Looping—breaking into one system and using that system to break into third system

Information Theft/Tampering

◆ Objectives

- ⌘ Gathering Trophies
- ⌘ General Mischief
- ⌘ Financial Gain
- ⌘ Warfare/Revenge
- ⌘ Protest

Information Theft/Tampering

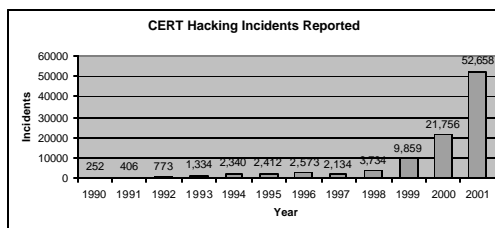
◆ Popular Attacks

- ⌘ Web Attacks
- ⌘ DNS Attacks

◆ Other Attacks

- ⌘ DoS
- ⌘ Ping Of Death
- ⌘ Smurf
- ⌘ SYN Flooding

Hacking Extent



Source: http://www.cert.org/stats/cert_stats.html

Hacker Tool Sites

- * <http://www.insecure.org/tools.html>
- * <http://www.cleo-and-nacho.com/mainpages/hacking.htm>
- * <http://www.hackerscenter.com/Hacking/default.asp>
- * <http://netsecurity.about.com/cs/hackertools/>
- * <http://packetstorm.decepticons.org/>
- * <http://www.hackerwhacker.com/>
- * <http://www.net-security.org/various/software/>
- * <http://www.mycert.mimos.my/resource/scanner.htm>
- * <http://www.cybersnitch.net/tucofs/tucofs.asp?mode=mainmenu>
- * <http://www.thenewbiesarea.com>
- * <http://www.users.freenetname.co.uk/~sandradelgado/hackertoolkit1.htm>

CHAPTER 9

Masquerade

Masquerade

- ◆ Identity Theft
- ◆ Forged Documents and Messages
- ◆ Trojan Horses
- ◆ Undercover Operations and Stings

Identity Theft

- ◆ Denning defines as “the misuse of another person’s identity, such as name, social security number, driver’s license, credit card numbers, and bank account numbers.”

Identity Theft

- ◆ In October 1998, Congress passed the Identity Theft and Assumption Deterrence Act of 1998 (Identity Theft Act)
 - ◆ knowingly transfers or uses, without lawful authority, a means of identification of another person with the intent to commit, or to aid or abet, any unlawful activity that constitutes a violation of Federal law, or that constitutes a felony under any applicable State or local law.

Identity Theft

- ◆ Some methods used:
 - ⌘ Dumpster Diving
 - ⌘ Employees of organizations who you provide the information to
 - ⌘ Internet
 - ⌘ ATM Machines

Forged Documents and Messages

- ◆ Denning defines as “an act of information warfare that targets a set of documents allegedly originating from a particular person or entity.”

Forged Documents and Messages

- ◆ E-mail Forgeries
- ◆ Forgeries in Spam
- ◆ E-mail Floods
- ◆ IP Spoofing
- ◆ Counterfeiting

E-Mail Forgeries

- ◆ Recipients can be harmed by fraud
 - ⌘ AOL
- ◆ Victims reputations may not fully recover
 - ⌘ Can have a long life if archived
 - ⌘ New readers may not be aware of the forgery

Forgeries in Spam

- ◆ How do spammers obtain e-mail lists?
 - ⚡ Many use "bots" – software robots that comb the Internet for particular information.
 - ⚡ Programs designed to generate common e-mail addresses, with the hope of hitting upon a few legitimate ones.
- ◆ www.junkbusters.com

E-mail Floods

- ◆ E-Mail bombs jam up a recipient's e-mail box
 - ⚡ Lead to denial-of-service
- ◆ E-Mail bombing accounted for the largest category of Internet denial-of-service attacks reported to CERT/CC during 1989-1995, namely 49 (32%) of 152 attacks.

IP Spoofing

- ◆ Denning definition is "to forge the From address so that the message appears to have originated from somewhere other than its actual source."

Counterfeiting

- ◆ "a form of forgery in which the spoofed identity is that of an organization or governmental agency that produces some sort of document."

Counterfeiting

- ◆ Any form of printed material is practically at risk.
 - ⌘ Credit Cards
 - ⌘ Drivers license
 - ⌘ Money
 - ⌘ Bills

Trojan Horses

- ◆ "is an information warfare tool that is used to gain access to an information resource."

Software Trojan Horse

- ◆ "is a program that, when activated, performs some undesirable action not anticipated by the person running it."
- ◆ Sometimes called the "logic bomb"

CHAPTER 10

Cyberplagues

Cyberplagues

- ◆ "software that mimics life forms"

- ⌘ Viruses
- ⌘ Worms

Viruses

- ◆ "a fragment of code that attaches itself to other computer instructions, including software application code, the code used to boot a computer, and macro instructions placed in documents."

Program Viruses

- ◆ Contaminates files that contain computer code, especially ".EXE" and ".COM", but also files such as ".SYS" and ".DLL"

Boot Viruses

- ◆ Infects the boot sector and related areas on a hard or floppy disk.

Concealment Techniques

- ◆ **Stealth Viruses**
 - ⌘ Intercept certain systems calls and return false information.
- ◆ **Encrypting Viruses**
 - ⌘ Hide their presence by storing the bulk of their code in encrypted form.
- ◆ **Polymorphic Viruses**
 - ⌘ Mutate as they replicate, fooling scanners looking for fixed patterns.

Viruses

- ◆ Statistics
- ◆ Cert
- ◆ Hoax

Worms

- ◆ "is a program that propagates from one computer to another over a computer network by breaking into the computers in much the way that a hacker would break into them.

Offensive Information Warfare Operation

- ◆ Targets or exploits a particular information resource with the objective of increasing its value to the offensive player and decreasing its value to the defensive player
- ◆ Win-lose situation
- ◆ Hostile or nonconsensual act

Offensive Gains

- ◆ Financial
- ◆ Amusement or thrills
- ◆ Credentials to join
- ◆ Revenge
- ◆ Advantage

Defensive Losses

- ◆ Financial
- ◆ Public confidence
- ◆ Competitive position
- ◆ Productivity
- ◆ Fines/penalties
- ◆ Life
- ◆ Privacy

Transactions

- ◆ Normal transactions are not IW
 - Book sale example
- ◆ Underground transactions
 - "Black" and "Gray" markets
- ◆ Gains \neq Losses

Costs of OIW

- ◆ Actual monetary expenses
- ◆ Personnel time
- ◆ Risk of being caught
- ◆ Severity of punishment

Increased Availability

- ◆ Acquisition of secrets
- ◆ Information piracy
- ◆ Penetration
- ◆ Superimposition fraud
- ◆ Identity theft
- ◆ Physical theft
- ◆ Perception management

Decreased Availability

- ◆ Physical Theft
- ◆ Sabotage
- ◆ Censorship

- ◆ Denial-of-service attacks

Decreased Integrity

- ◆ Tampering
- ◆ Penetration
- ◆ Fabrication

The Strange Tale of the Denial of Service Attacks Against GRC.COM

By Steve Gibson

What Happened

- ◆ Denial of Service Attack
 - ⌞ Caused by a "packet flooding attack"
 - ⌞ Huge packets fragmented into minute packets
 - ⌞ Consumed all bandwidth of Internet connection
 - ⌞ Aimed at bogus port of GRC.COM

Profile of the Attack

- ◆ Attacked by 474 security-compromised Windows-based PCs
- ◆ "Distributed" Denial of Service
- ◆ 6 total attacks
- ◆ Top two U.S. residential cable-modem ISPs
 - ⌞ @Home.com
 - ⌞ RoadRunner

Attack Summary

- ◆ Attack #1
 - ⌞ May 4th 17 hours
- ◆ Attack #2
 - ⌞ May 13th 8 hours
- ◆ Attack #3a
 - ⌞ May 14th
 - ⌞ Targeted at the IP of firewall

- ◆ Attack #3b
 - ⌞ May 14th
 - ⌞ Targeted at one T1 interface of router
- ◆ Attack #4
 - ⌞ May 15th 6 ½ hours
- ◆ Attack #5
 - ⌞ May 16th

- ◆ Attack #6

- ≈ May 17th, 18th, 19th, 20th

- ◆ On May 16th

- ≈ 12,248,097 malicious packets stopped with 666 destination

- ≈ 538,916,268 total malicious packets

- ◆ Monday May 21st

- ≈ 2,399,237,016 total malicious packets blocked

Trojan attack Zombies

- ◆ Each security compromised machine receives a complimentary copy of Sub7Server Trojan
- ◆ Allows the "Zombie-master" absolute control over victims' machines
- ◆ Keystroke monitoring to capture online passwords, credit card numbers, eBanking passwords

FBI and cybercrime

- ◆ No crime until \$5,000 in damages
- ◆ FBI prosecution is \$200,000 so case prioritization is necessary
- ◆ Youth is an impenetrable shield

Chapter 18 Attack Methodology Schneier

By: Chaz Van Winkle

Vulnerability

- ◆ Is simply a weakness
 - In order for the vulnerability to be exploited an attacker must:
 - Find the target
 - Plan the attack
 - Execute the attack
 - Get away
- ◆ Location and access are key to exploit a vulnerability

Attacking the vulnerability

Five Steps

- ◆ Identify target and gather information
- ◆ Analyze and identify vulnerability
- ◆ Gain the appropriate level of access to target
- ◆ Perform attack
- ◆ Erase evidence and avoid retaliation

Anatomy of a Network Intrusion by Shipley

- ◆ Identify target and gather information:
Somedomain.com, Identification of host and IP ranges DNS used.
 - Next the use of hacking tools to identify OS and services running <http://www.insecure.org/> NMap
- ◆ Analyze and identify vulnerability: Hacking tools used to identify vulnerabilities
 - Two types of vulnerabilities, local and remote

Anatomy of a Network Intrusion

- ◆ Gain appropriate level of access
 - ⌞ Exploit is used to gain system level access on server
 - ⌞ Crackers then can insert Trojans to ensure entry later even if passwords changed.
- ◆ Perform Attack
 - ⌞ Do what ever it is you wanted to do.
 - ⌞ Deface, delete, watch/spy

Anatomy of a Network Intrusion

- ◆ Erase evidence:
 - ⌞ Delete logs
 - ⌞ Ensure re-entry
- ◆ More "security" tools
 - ⌞ <http://www.insecure.org/tools.html>
- ◆ List of Microsoft exploits
 - ⌞ http://www.insecure.org/splaits_microshit.html