

Secure Programming Techniques exam 06.06.2017

1. Example historic web counter used architecture like that:

- Apache web server
- CGI application setuid to a real user
- compiled C wrapper executing a
- shell script for the logic
- storing data file in the users home directory.

What are the most probable vulnerability classes in this architecture?

2. How would you solve the following races:

- Two processes of the same user accessing a file
- Multiple processes of mutually untrusted users accessing a file

3. Find all potential vulnerabilities in this C function:

```
int prompt_and_save(char *question, unsigned char *data, int len) {
    unsigned char filename[32];
    int fd;

    printf(question);
    scanf("%s", filename);
    if (strlen(filename) > 32) {
        return 0;
    }
    unlink(filename); /* remove old file */
    fd = open(filename, O_WRONLY | O_CREAT, 0666);
    write(fd, data, len);
    close(fd);
    return 1;
}
```

4. Find all potential vulnerabilities in this PHP snippet:

```
<?php
if (isset($_REQUEST['theme'])) {
    $file = fopen("/var/www/themes/" . $_REQUEST['theme'], "r");
    fpassthru($file);
    fclose($file);
    $cmd="UPDATE themestats SET hits=hits+1 WHERE theme=' " .
        $_REQUEST['theme'] . "'";
    mysql_query($cmd) || die($cmd);
}
if (isset($_REQUEST['user'])) {
    echo "Welcome, " . $_REQUEST['user'];
}
?>
```

5. What possible vulnerabilities could the following URL exploit? Find at least 4:

```
http://a.com/a.php/b.html?sessid=10203040506070809&user='id`&
pass=.&name=x'%20union%20select%20'z&message=%3ci%4dg+s%52c
%3d%22j%61v%61S%43r%69pt%3a%611%65rt(%27%2c%27)%3b%22%3e
```

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