



Lecture 8: Identity and Access Management

QUESTION 1

- a. Briefly explain the following concepts related to identity management.
 - (i) Entity.
 - (ii) Identity.
 - (iii) Name (identifier).
 - (iv) Digital identity
- b. Briefly explain what is meant by the concept “identity management”.
- c. Explain what is meant by AAA services, and why this name partially is a misnomer

QUESTION 2

- a. Name the 3 phases of identity and access management
- b. Name the functional steps related to identity and access management that are required before an authorized party can access a resource during operations.
- c. Explain the two interpretations of authorization.

QUESTION 3

- a. Briefly describe the silo identity model for management of user identities.
- b. Describe advantages and disadvantages of the silo model.

QUESTION 4

- a. Briefly describe the federated model for management of user identities.
- b. Describe advantages and disadvantages of the federated model.

QUESTION 5

SAML specifies two different protocol profiles for browser SSO (single sign-on)

- a. Name and briefly explain the two profiles.
- b. Which profile could be considered more secure and why?

QUESTION 6

- a. What is required to become an IdP (Identity Provider) for OpenId?
- b. What is the format of a name (identity) in OpenId?
- c. How can a service provider make sure that a user with an identity for OpenId has registered the identity with a serious OpenId IdP?

QUESTION 7

- a. Briefly define the concept of discretionary access control (DAC) according to TCSEC.
- b. Briefly define the concept of mandatory access control (MAC) according to TCSEC.
- c. Which form(s) of access control is/are typically implemented in
 - i) Commercial systems
 - ii) Military systems

QUESTION 8

The Bell-LaPadula model is a formal model of a computer security policy designed to provide access control based on information sensitivity and subject authorizations.

- a. Identify the major security goal of the Bell-LaPadula security model.
- b. Give an example of an environment where the Bell-LaPadula model is appropriate.
- c. Briefly describe the security properties of the Bell-LaPadula security model:
 - (i) Simple security property (ss),
 - (ii) Star property (*), and
 - (iii) Discretionary security property (ds).

QUESTION 9

RBAC is suitable for enforcing the separation of duties and least privilege principles.

- a. What is separation of duties, and why is it useful?
- b. How can the principle of separation of duties be implemented with RBAC?
- c. What is least privilege, and why is it useful?
- d. How can the principle of least privilege be implemented with RBAC?

QUESTION 10

What is the role of OAuth in the Web 2.0 environment?