

CNT 4419: Secure Coding [Fall 2019]
Test 3

NAME: _____

Instructions:

- 1) This test is 5 pages in length.
- 2) You have 40 minutes to complete and turn in this test.
- 3) Short-answer and essay questions include guidelines for how much to write. Respond in complete English sentences. Responses will be graded as described on the syllabus.
- 4) This test is closed books, notes, papers, smartphones, laptops, friends, neighbors, etc.
- 5) Use the backs of pages in this test packet for scratch work. If you write more than a final answer in the area next to a question, circle your final answer.

1. [4 points]

a) Explain how any policy can be enforced completely. [1 sentence]

b) Explain how any policy can be enforced soundly. [1 sentence]

2. [10 points]

Suppose that a thief obtains the password to unlock a victim's phone, steals the phone, and successfully uses the password on the stolen phone.

a) Explain how the phone's password checker may be considered to exhibit a false negative. [1-2 sentences]

b) Explain how the phone's password checker may be considered to exhibit a true negative. [1-2 sentences]

3. [8 points]

What is a confused-deputy attack? Include the classic compiler example. [2-3 sentences]

4. [24 points]

Categorize the following policies, i.e., whether they are properties, safety, and/or liveness. Formally prove the correctness of your classifications at the level of detail discussed in class.

For all programs p :

a) $p \in P_a$ iff $\forall p': p' \subseteq p$

b) $p \in P_b$ iff $\forall p': p \subseteq p'$

5. [8 points]

a) Using set-builder notation, define a non-safety liveness property.

b) Formally define liveness, as we did in class.

6. [16 points]

Compare and contrast computer security and medicine, hitting all the main points discussed in class. [1 paragraph]

7. [8 points]

Explain one of the attacks we discussed in class on the SimpleWebServer. [2-3 sentences]

8. [4 points]

What are the four standard memory segments for running software? [1 sentence]

9. [16 points] [Essay]

What are four things software may trust and ways that attackers violate such trust, as discussed in class?