
Selected Topics of Secure Operating Systems

Bachelor/Master Seminar WiSe 2022/2023

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Introduction & Motivation

Who are we?

- Department for Secure Operating Systems at Fraunhofer AISEC (Applied and Integrated Security)
- → Research and integration in industrial applications
- Department Topics
 - Confidential Computing
 - Kernel Security
 - Software Security
 - Embedded Security

Our Goals for this seminar

- Get to know students interested in IT Security
- Learn from your great papers and presentations



AISEC Building at Lichtenbergstraße 11, Garching

Secure Operating Systems – Examples

Trusted Architectures

- Isolated and protected regions
- Verify integrity of running system/kernel from the beginning
- Secure Storage / Execution for high profile data (keys, boot measurements)

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redsn0w v0.3
implementation (c) 2009 iPhone Dev Team
vulnerability: pod2g, MuscleNerd
exploit: planetbeing, GPICH, posixninja, chronic

Either connect your iPod in DFU mode to the computer or just push enter
for assisted entry into DFU mode

Hit any key to continue...
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Jailbreak, [https://de.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jailbreak_\(iOS\)](https://de.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jailbreak_(iOS))

Memory Safety and Fuzzing

- Find bugs
- Prevent bugs from creating vulnerabilities
- Allow integrated permission checks



Heartbleed, <https://xkcd.com/1354/>

Topic Suggestions

- TPM Bus Sniffing and Protections
- AMD SKINIT Secure Launch
- Intel Embedded Security (Programmable Services Engine)
- Intel TDX and its Remote Attestation
- ARM CCA and its Remote Attestation
- AMD SEV(-SNP) and its Remote Attestation
- Kubernetes Security
- Evaluation of Fuzzing
- IoT Fuzzing
- Fuzzing Seed Selection
- Hardware-based Memory Safety
- Redox OS
- Fuchsia OS
- Sculpt OS

- Students are welcome to suggest own topics
- Get some information about the topics and see if they interest you! (Good starting points are conference presentations on youtube etc.)

Prerequisites

- IN0009 Grundlagen: Betriebssysteme und Systemsoftware
- IN0004 Einführung in die Rechnerarchitektur
- preferable: IN2209 IT Sicherheit

Objectives

- Understanding of Secure Systems and attack vectors
- Preparing and writing a scientific paper in LaTeX (English, 9-10 pages IEEE)
- Presenting a scientific topic (german/english) 25-30 minutes + 15 minutes discussion
- Active participation

Grading

- Scientific Report: 50% (Content, Style, Effort, Grasp)
- Presentation: 30% (Content, Lecture Style, Understandability)
- Discussion: 10% (Participation)
- Peer Review: 10 % (2 Reviews à 1 page)

Registration

- Register in the TUM Matching system on time
- Short e-mail to vincent.ahlrichs@aisec.fraunhofer.de and monika.huber@aisec.fraunhofer.de
 - (mandatory) Your top 3 choice of topics (see suggested topics or own suggestion)
 - (optional) Why do you want to take this seminar?
 - (optional) Why do you chose a specific topic?
 - Deadline: **25.07.2022 23:59 CEST**
- Topic assignments based on choice & letter of motivation

Time Table

14.07.2022	Preliminary Meeting (today)
25.07.2022	Deadline for email with preferred topic choices
27.07.2022	Deadline for Registration TUM Matching
23.08.2022 13:00 h	Kickoff Meeting with Topic Distribution
24.10.2022	Deadline for Deregistration (afterwards 5.0 grade)
10.10.2022 23:59 h	Deadline Structure/Table of Contents
05.12.2022 23:59 h	Deadline Submission Review Paper
19.12.2023 23:59 h	Deadline Peer Reviews
11.01.2023 23:59 h	Camera-ready Version
16.01.2023 23:59 h	Slides
24.01. – 26.01.2023	Presentation meetings ¹

All deadlines are hard deadlines

¹ Presentation meetings will be held at Fraunhofer AISEC, if possible. Attendance required!

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