Workshop in Issues in the Theory of Security

Static Detection of Logic Flaws in Service Applications

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Web services scenario



Customers are supposed to precisely follow the intended order of the transaction steps

Web services



A claimed service

Opening a session

Executing the steps

Web services



A new kind of attacker, different from the Dolev-Yao: the malicious costumer

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Web services



Nested web service calls are usual: the API mechanism



There is a claimed goal, **but** there could be other hidden functionalities !

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Intuitive Idea

[cryptography is perfect] Semantic Security Attacks : Crypto-protocols

Application Logic Attaks : Service Specifications [underlying protocols are perfect]

A language for web service: CaSPiS

P :::=		p,q::=	
s.P	service definition	+	session polarities
v.P	service invocation		
Σπ.Ρ	guarded sum	π.π'::=	
r ^p ⊳ P	run-time session	(2x)	innut
P > (?x) Q	pipeline		
(v n) P	restriction	< V >	оитрит
PQ	parallel	< V>	session return
ŀΡ	replication		

A language for web service: CaSPiS



Ex. of service invocation a run time : \overline{s} .P | s.Q \rightarrow (v r) r \triangleright P | r \triangleright Q

A language for web service: CaSPiS



Bank Credit Request example

S = Bank | Controller | Client

Bank = req.(
$$?y_{ba}$$
) $\overline{chk}.\langle y_{ba} \rangle (?w_{ans}).\langle w_{ans} \rangle^{\uparrow}$

Controller = chk.(?z_{ba})<ans>

Client =
$$\overline{req}$$
. (? x_{ans})^

- req is the service definition of the Bank;
- bank invokes the chk service offered by the Controller to check the client balance asset

BCR example

S= Bank | Controller | Client





CFA analysis

- I records which action and service prefixes are included in the scope due to services, sessions and pipelines
- R maps a variable to the set of names it can be bound to
- σ $\,$ records the actual position in the nested structure of sessions and pipelines

$$I,R \models^{\sigma} P$$

In two steps:

- 1. analysing the nested structure
- 2. approximating the execution

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Client = req. $\langle ans \rangle$ ans \uparrow

$$S \longrightarrow (v r_{req}) (r_{req} \downarrow (? y_{ba}) \dots | r_{req} \downarrow (ba) \dots | Contr = S'$$

$$S' \longrightarrow (v r_{req}) (r_{req} \downarrow (chk. \langle ba \rangle \dots | r_{req}) (?z_{ba}) \dots | Contr$$

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CFA at work

First step: I,R $\stackrel{\sigma}{\models}$ Bank | Controller |Client

I,R describes the initial process

Second step of the analysis:

I,R takes the possible dynamics into account

I(*) $\exists req, req, ...$ I(req) \exists (? y_{ba}), chk R = ∅

$$I(*) \implies r_{req} + r_{req} - I(r_{req} +) \implies (? y_{ba}), chk$$
$$I(r_{req} -) \implies (ba)$$
$$R(y_{ba}) \implies ba$$

On-line shop service example

S = (Shop | Price_chk) | Client



- the client invokes sell and chooses an item
- sell is the service definition of the Shop • Shop invokes chk service offered by the
- Price_checker for the price of the item
- Price_checker comunicates the price directly to the client
- Shop does not check the price

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On-line shop service example S = (Shop | Price_chk) | Client Shop = sell. Σ_i ((item_i) (chk.<item>(x_{price}).<item, x_{price}>[↑] $(ok).(PAY, y_{price}) +$ (ko))) Price_chk = chk. Σ_i ((item_i) <price>) • the client invokes sell and chooses an item = <u>sell</u>. <item_i>(item_i,×_{price}). • sell is the service definition of the Shop Client • Shop invokes chk service offered by the <ok, ×price > + <ko> Price_checker for the price of the item • Price_checker comunicates the amount ot payment directly to the client •Shop does not check the price

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The attacker ... at work

(Shop | Price_chk) | Client



Shop does not check the price
the maliciuos customer alters
the price field, using a faked price

Which kind of attacker?

Different from Dolev-Yao attacker!

Modeling the attacker

Malicious customer's knowledge:

Synchronization in session r

 $\langle v \rangle \in I(r) \land (?x) \in I(r) \longrightarrow v \in R(x)$

If malicious customer is executing input:

 $v \in K$

If malicious customer is executing output:

 $\forall v': v' \in K \quad \longrightarrow \quad v' \in R(x)$



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The attacker ... at work

I,R,K
$$\vdash \sigma$$
 (Shop | Price_chk) | Client



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Conclusion

- We focus on the right level of abstraction to describe service application design (e.g. CaSPiS)
- We distil automatic techniques to detect logic flaws at design time:

- Control Flow Analysis



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CFA at work

First step:

$$I,R \models^{\sigma} (Shop | Price_chk) |$$
 $I(*) \supseteq sell, sell, chk$
 $I(sell) \supseteq chk$
 $R = \emptyset$

Second step of the analysis:

$$I(*) \supseteq r_{sell,} r_{chk}$$
$$I(r_{sell}) \supseteq r_{chk}$$
$$R = \dots$$

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Stopping the attacker

Shop = sell. Σ_i ((item_i) ($\overline{chk.} < item > (\times_{price}) . < \times_{price} > \uparrow > (y_{price}) < item, y_{price} > ((ok, y_{price}).PAY + (ko)))$

Price_chk = chk. Σ_i ((item_i) <price>)

Client = sell. <item; >(item;, x_{price}). <ok, x_{price} > + <ko>