

How to Make Your HP-UX System More Secure

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Today's Agenda

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- ❖ Account Security
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- ❖ Modem Security
- ❖ Tightening Network Services
- ❖ Monitoring Logfiles
- ❖ Trusted Systems
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- ❖ Security Training



Why is Security Important?

- ❖ UNIX was designed for an open environment
- ❖ U.S. Computer Security Act of 1987 (Liability)
- ❖ Hacking (or Cracking) tools are easily and widely available
- ❖ Cost and frequency of security breaches is increasing



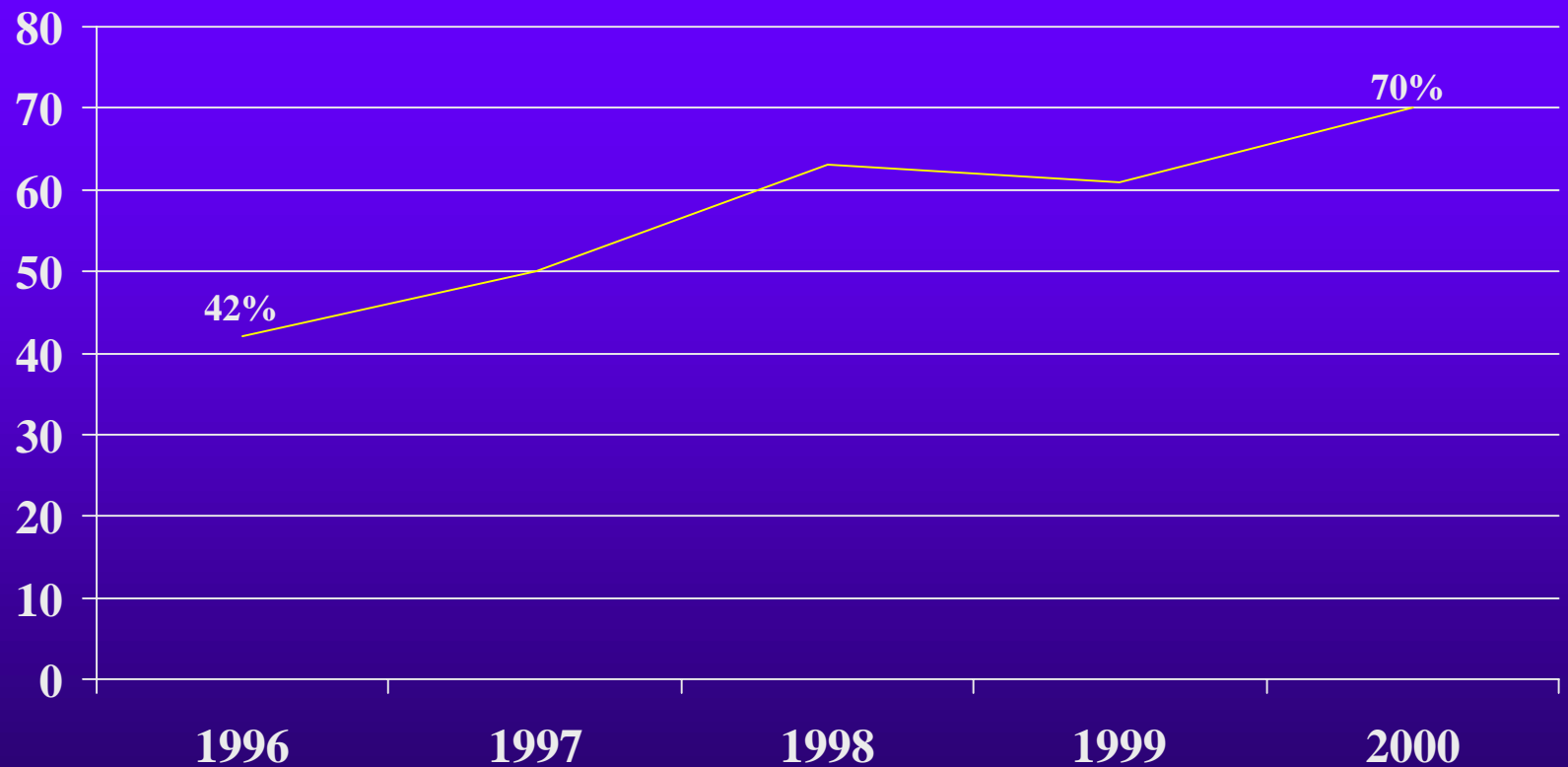
CSI/FBI 2000 Computer Crime and Security Survey

- ❖ Computer Security Institute and FBI Survey
- ❖ 4,284 anonymous surveys distributed
- ❖ 643 responses received
- ❖ Not all questions were answered
- ❖ Full report can be ordered at:

<http://www.gocsi.com>



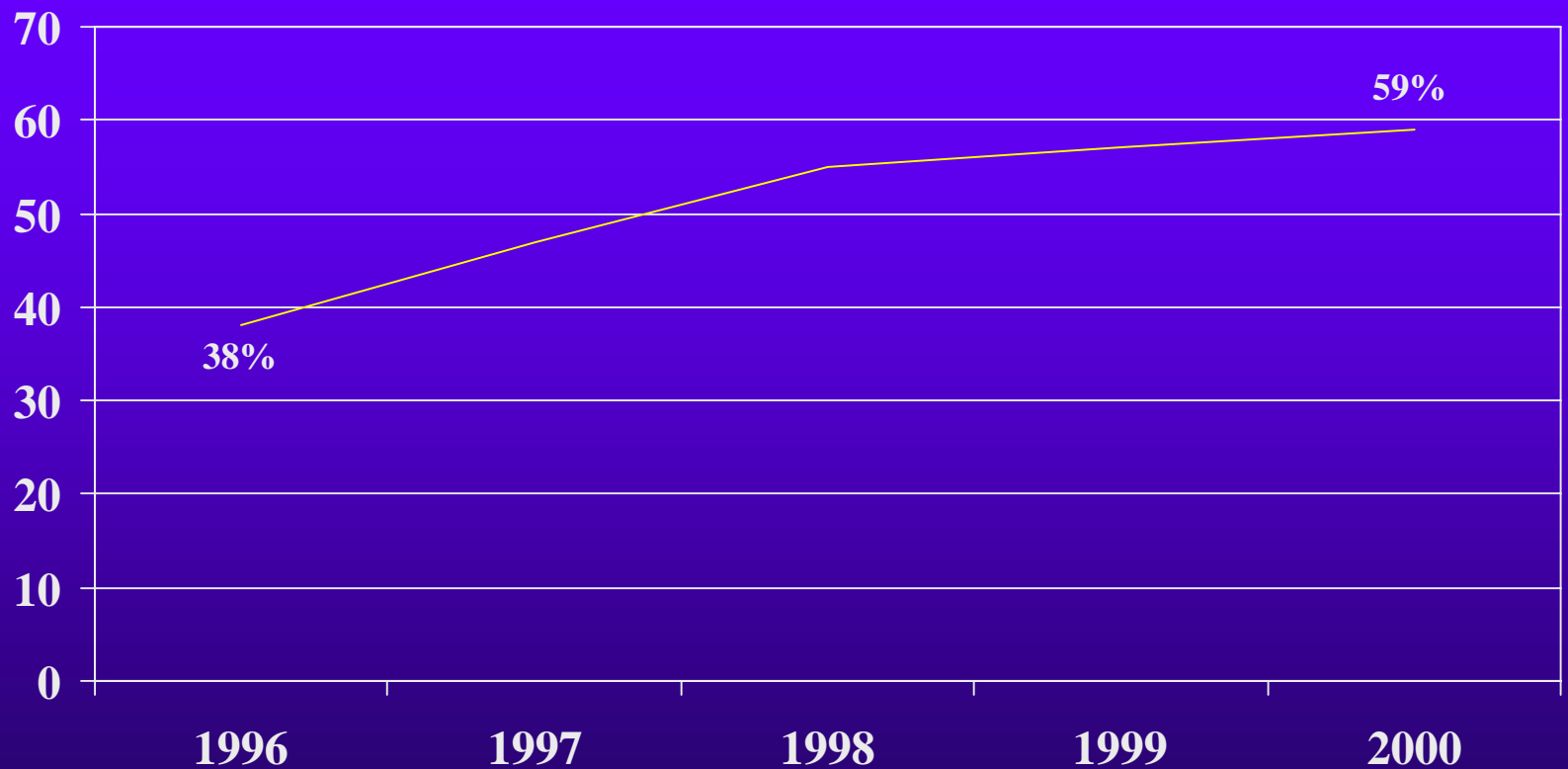
Percentage who reported an unauthorized use of their computer systems within the past 12 months



Source: Computer Security Institute/FBI
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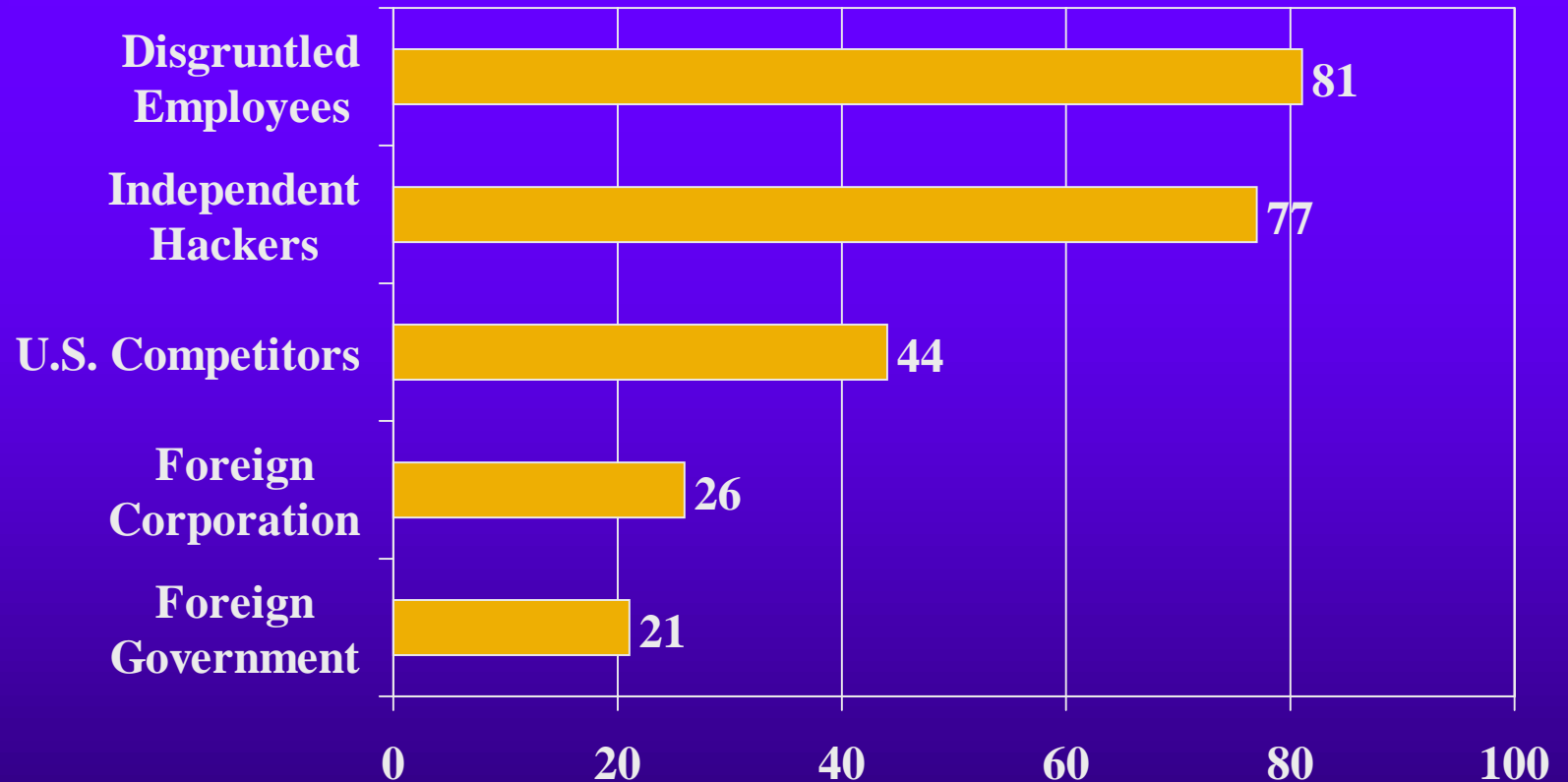


Percentage citing an Internet connection as a frequent point of attack



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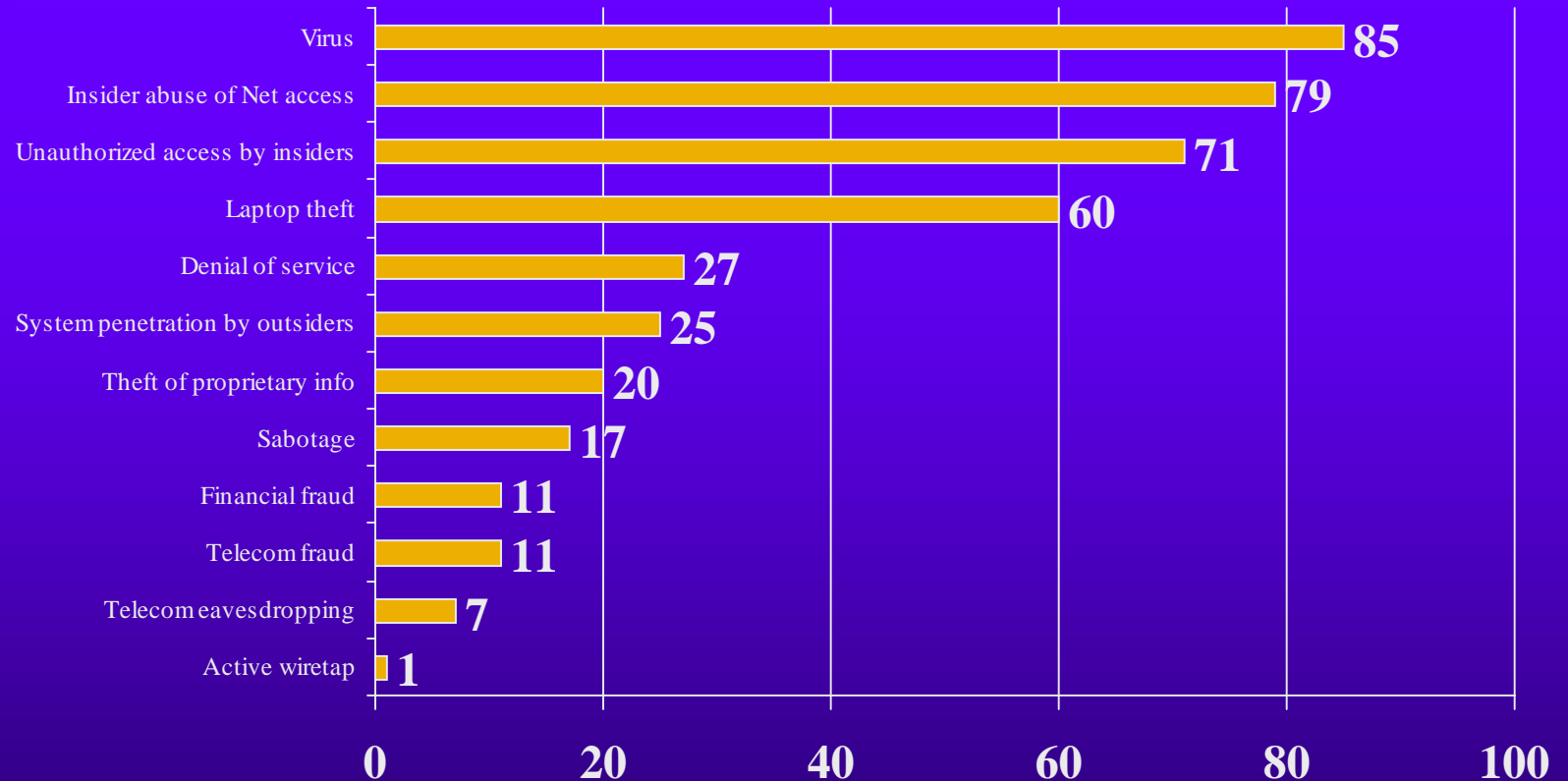
Percentage Citing These as Likely Sources of Attack



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Types of Attack or Misuse Detected in Past 12 Months



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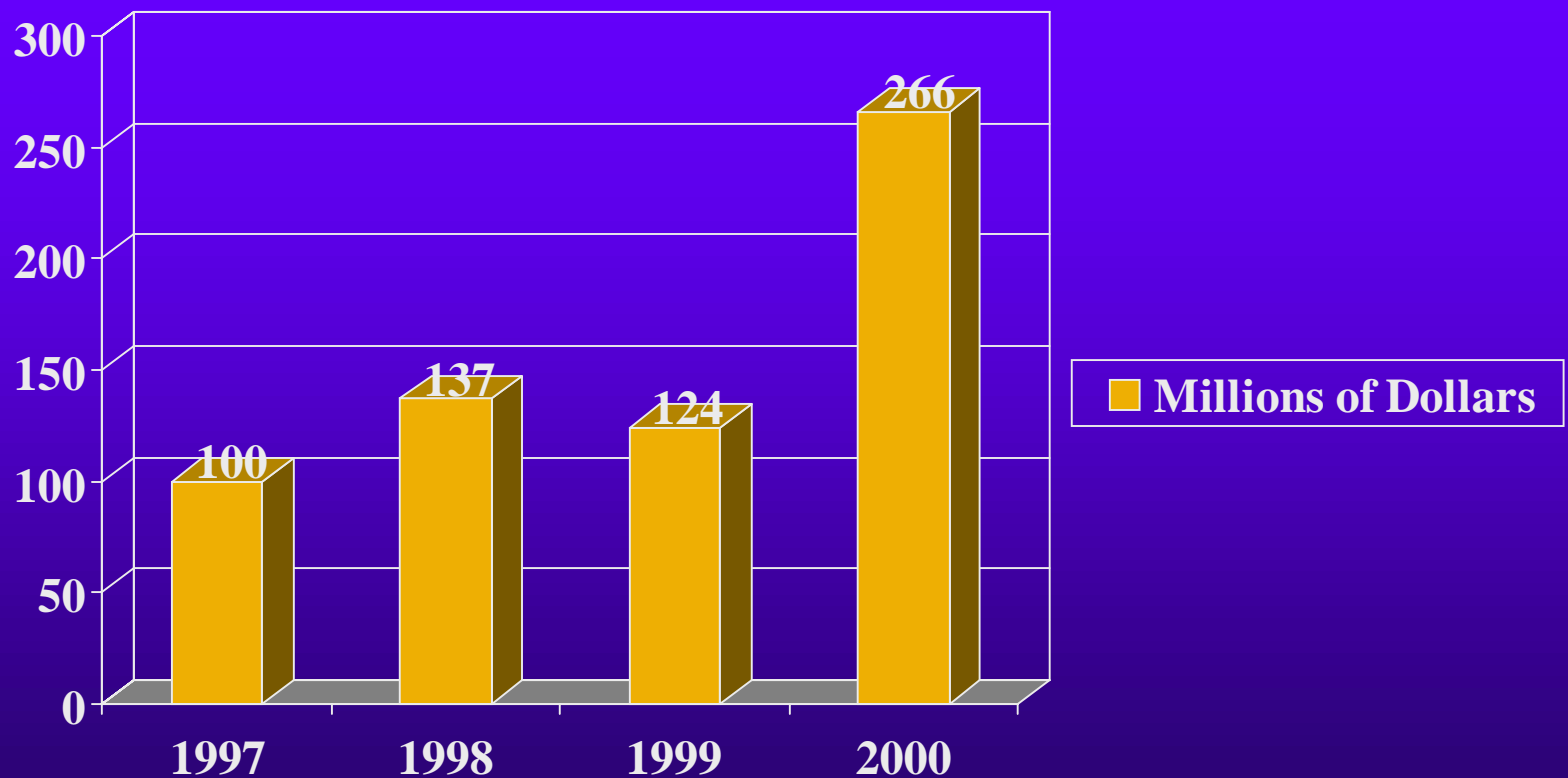
Dollar Amount (in millions) of losses by type in past 12 months reported by respondents willing to quantify losses

	1998	1999	2000
Theft of Proprietary Info	\$33.6	\$42.5	\$66.7
Financial Fraud	\$11.2	\$39.7	\$56.0
Virus	\$7.9	\$5.3	\$29.2
Insider Net Abuse	\$3.7	\$7.6	\$28.0
Sabotage	\$2.1	\$4.4	\$27.1
Unauthorized access by insiders	\$50.6	\$3.6	\$22.6
Laptop theft	\$5.3	\$13.0	\$10.4
Denial of service	\$2.8	\$3.3	\$8.2
System penetration by outsiders	\$1.6	\$2.9	\$7.1
Telecom fraud	\$17.3	\$0.8	\$4.0
Active wiretapping	\$0.2	\$0.0	\$5.0
Telecom eavesdropping	\$0.6	\$0.8	\$1.0

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Total Amount Reported by Respondents Willing to Quantify Losses



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Physical Security



Physical Security

- ❖ Restrict access to the computer room
- ❖ Computer room walls should go from under raised floor to above ceiling
- ❖ Store backup media in a secure area
- ❖ Keep system in a secure area
- ❖ Keep copies of full backups, etc. offsite



Physical Security *(continued)*

- ❖ Lock cabinets containing important information
- ❖ Destroy unwanted printer output containing sensitive information
- ❖ Secure network cables from exposure
- ❖ Log off when leaving terminal unattended
- ❖ Clear terminal screens after logging off



Account Security



Account Security: Passwords

❖ Password Guidelines

- New users should change their password first time they log on
- All users should have a password
- Users should not write passwords down
- Users should not share passwords with anyone
- Users should not store passwords in function keys
- Check for weak passwords periodically (Crack)



Account Security: Passwords

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❖ Bad Password Composition

- Your login name
- Anyone else's name
- Women's names
- License plates
- Dictionary words
- Randomly generated passwords
- Profane words



Account Security: Passwords

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❖ Good Password Composition

- Minimum of six characters
- At least two alphabetic and one numeric or special character
- Passwords that mix upper and lower case
- Acrostic passwords (apsiape: a penny saved is a penny earned)



Account Security: Controlling Root Access

- ❖ Control number of users with root access
- ❖ Restrict root logins to console only
(`/etc/securetty` file)
- ❖ Never leave a super-user shell open on an unattended terminal or workstation
- ❖ Log in with username and 'su' to root
- ❖ Change the root password periodically and whenever a root user leaves the company



Account Security: Guest Accounts

- ❖ Create on an as-needed basis
- ❖ Remove when need no longer exists
- ❖ Make sure it has a strong password



Account Security: Trust Relationships

- ❖ Be careful with `hosts.equiv` files
- ❖ Restrict use of `.rhosts` files
 - *if allowed permissions should be 600*
- ❖ Restrict use of `.netrc` files
 - *if allowed permissions should be 600*



Account Security: Other Best Practices

- ❖ Remove accounts upon employee termination
- ❖ Disable login for well known accounts such as `sys`, `bin`, `uucp` and others
- ❖ Do not allow users to share accounts
i.e. every account has a specific owner



File System Security

File System Security: Permissions

- ❖ Write protect startup files to `rw-----`
- ❖ Set `umask` value in `.profile`, `.cshrc` or `.kshrc`

```
022 for root      = chmod 755 rwxr-xr-x
022 for users     = chmod 755 rwxr-xr-x
027 for users     = chmod 750 rwxr-x---
077 for users     = chmod 700 rwx-----
```

- ❖ Device Files `/dev/null`, `/dev/tty` & `/dev/console` should be world writeable, but never executable, most others should be unreadable & un-writeable by regular users





File System Security: SUID & SGID Files

- ❖ Don't write SUID & SGID shell scripts
- ❖ Most operating systems have SUID & SGID programs, but these are compiled programs
- ❖ Detect with the following commands:
 - `find / -type f -a -perm -4000 -print (suid)`
 - `find / -type f -a -perm -2000 -print (sgid)`



File System Security: Other Best Practices

- ❖ Make sure that system files and directories are only writable by root
- ❖ Make sure that files executable by root are not writable by anyone else.
- ❖ Make sure that users' home directories are only writable by the owner.
- ❖ Eliminate all unnecessary world writable files and directories.
- ❖ Give users a restricted shell, or better yet, no shell at all.



Security Bulletins & Patches



Security Bulletins & Patches

- ❖ Customers should subscribe to receive HP security bulletins
- ❖ These bulletins will outline specific patches to be installed to correct security vulnerabilities
- ❖ Can be found on HP's I.T. Resource Center at: <http://itresourcecenter.hp.com>



Modem Security



Modem Security

- ❖ All modems should have an additional dial-up password
- ❖ Details on creating dial-up passwords can be found in the `d_passwd` and `dialups` man pages
- ❖ All dial-up modems should log out users upon disconnect (check for `hupcl` in `/etc/gettydefs`)



Tightening Up Network Services



Tightening Network Services

- ❖ Disable unnecessary network services in `/etc/inetd.conf`
- ❖ Configure access control lists with `/var/adm/inetd.sec`
- ❖ Correctly configure allowable services such as NFS, FTP & Anonymous FTP



Monitoring Logfiles



Monitoring Logfiles

- ❖ `/etc/wtmp` (last command)
- ❖ `/etc/btmp` (lastb command)
- ❖ `/var/adm/sulog`
(Tells you who has become root)
- ❖ `/var/adm/syslog/syslog.log`



Miscellaneous Best Practices

- ❖ Never put . (current directory) at the beginning of the path variable (especially root's)
- ❖ Type in the full path name when not at the console.
- ❖ Do not allow write access to ANY directories in root's path.
- ❖ Fix well-known security holes (sendmail, tftp, finger, etc.).



Trusted Systems



Trusted Systems Features:

- ❖ Is included as part of base operating system
- ❖ Provides Login Management Capabilities
- ❖ Provides Password Management Capabilities
- ❖ Provides Terminal Security Features



Trusted Systems - Login Management

- ❖ Password required for single-user boot
- ❖ Creation of a defined password life-cycle
- ❖ Disables account after a certain number of successive login failures
- ❖ Provides time-of-day login access



Trusted Systems - Password Management

- ❖ System-wide password aging
(includes min/max time between changes)
- ❖ Warning period before password expires
- ❖ Password lifetime
- ❖ Random password generator
- ❖ Password history in HP-UX 11.00



Trusted Systems - Terminal Security

- ❖ Device-Based Access Control
- ❖ Terminal locked after successive login failures
- ❖ Time delay between unsuccessful logins
- ❖ Fixed amount of time to login
- ❖ List of authorized users per port



Security Tools



Security Tools

- ❖ COPS (Various system security checks)
- ❖ Crack (Password cracker)
- ❖ Tripwire (Detects changes to files)
- ❖ Tiger (Determines ways for root to be compromised)
- ❖ SATAN (Network security checker)

Security Tools

- ❖ To obtain security tools:

COAST Archive (Purdue University)

<http://www.cs.purdue.edu/coast>

or

<ftp://coast.cs.purdue.edu/pub/tools/unix>





Security Training



Security Training

Practical UNIX and Network Security
(H3541S)

Course Overview:

This five-day course describes typical UNIX system and network vulnerabilities and introduces a variety of tools and techniques to defend against potential security breaches.



Security Training

Security Conferences:

- ❖ CSI (Computer Security Institute)
<http://www.gocsi.com>
- ❖ Usenix (Advanced Computing Systems Assoc)
<http://www.usenix.org>
- ❖ SANS (Systems and Network Security)
<http://www.sans.org>



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