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Tools and methods used in cybercrime.

- ① Phishing
- ② Password cracking.
- ③ Keyloggers.
- ④ Spyware
- ⑤ Virus & worm
- ⑥ Trojan horse
- ⑦ Backdoors
- ⑧ Steganography
- ⑨ DOS & DDOS Attack
- ⑩ Buffer overflow
- ⑪ SQL injector.

Proxy Server -

"Proxy server is a computer on a network which acts as an intermediary for connection with other computer on that network."

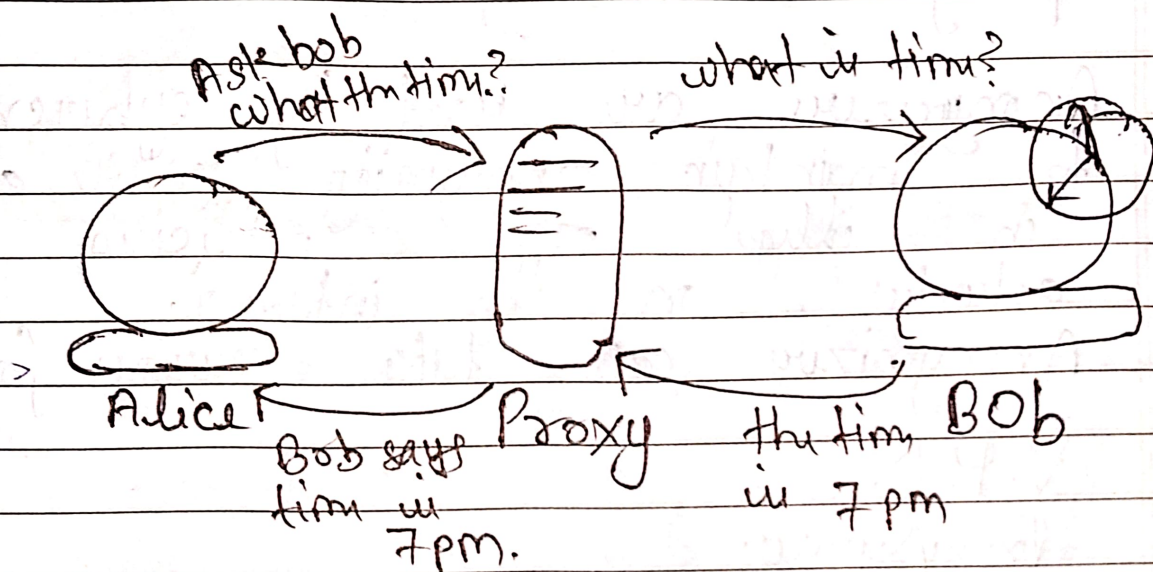
(OR)

A proxy server is like a middleman for your internet connection, when you use the internet, your device sends requests for information (like opening a website) to the server that host that information.

A proxy server

stands between your device and the internet and forward your request to the website or online service you want to use.

Ex- Think of it like having a friend who goes to the store for you because you don't want the store to know you're there buying something. The friend brings you what you need, but the store does not know it's for you. That's like a proxy server does for your internet requests.



Q. why use a proxy server?

△ Privacy. It can hide your real IP address making it harder for website to track your online activity.

Security. It can act as a barrier, protect from harmful website or content.

Access - It can help you access website that might be restricted in your location.



Anonymizers

* An anonymizer or an anonymous proxy is a tool that attempts to make activity on the internet untraceable.

It access the internet on the user's behalf, protecting personal information by hiding the source computer's identifying information.

* Anonymizers are services used to make web surfing anonymous by utilizing a website that acts as a proxy server for the web client.

* Anonymizers are used by cybercriminals to maintain anonymity while engaging in illegal or malicious activities on the internet.

Anonymizers can take various forms -

- ① V.P.N
- ② Proxy server
- ③ Anonymous mail service
- ④ The onion router.

How phishing works -

- [1.] Planning - Use ^{an mail address of target or info} mass mailing and address collection ⁱⁿ techniques - spammer
- [2.] Setup - Email/ webpage to collect data about the target.
- [3.] Attack - Send a authentic (phony) msg to the target.
- [4.] Collection - Record the info. obtained.
- [5.] Identity theft & Fraud - Use info. to commit fraud or illegal purchase.

Password Cracking -

* Password is like a key to get an entry into computerised system like a lock.

* Password cracking is a process of recovering passwords from data that have been stored in or transmitted by a computer system.

* Usually, an password cracking, attacker follows a common approach, repeatedly making guess for the password.



The purpan of password cracking is as follows -

- 1.) To recover a forgotten password.
- 2.) To gain unauthorized access to system.

There are different methods which are used for password cracking -

[1.] Brute force Attacks -

This is like trying every possible combination until they find the right one. ~~its like going~~

[2.] Dictionary Attack -

Instead of trying every possible combination, attacker use a "dictionary" of common words, phrases or passwords.

[3.] Rainbow table Attacks -

Imagine! if every possible password and its corresponding hash (a unique code generated from the password) were pre-computed and stored in massive table. Attackers can then compare the hash of your password against this table to find a match.



To protect against password cracking, it's important to use strong and unique passwords, avoid easily guessable passwords and enable additional security like a two-factor authentication.

Keyloggers - (Keystroke logging)

Keystroke logger or keylogger is quicker and easier way of capturing the passwords and monitoring the victims-

A keylogger is a form of spyware that captures every moment.

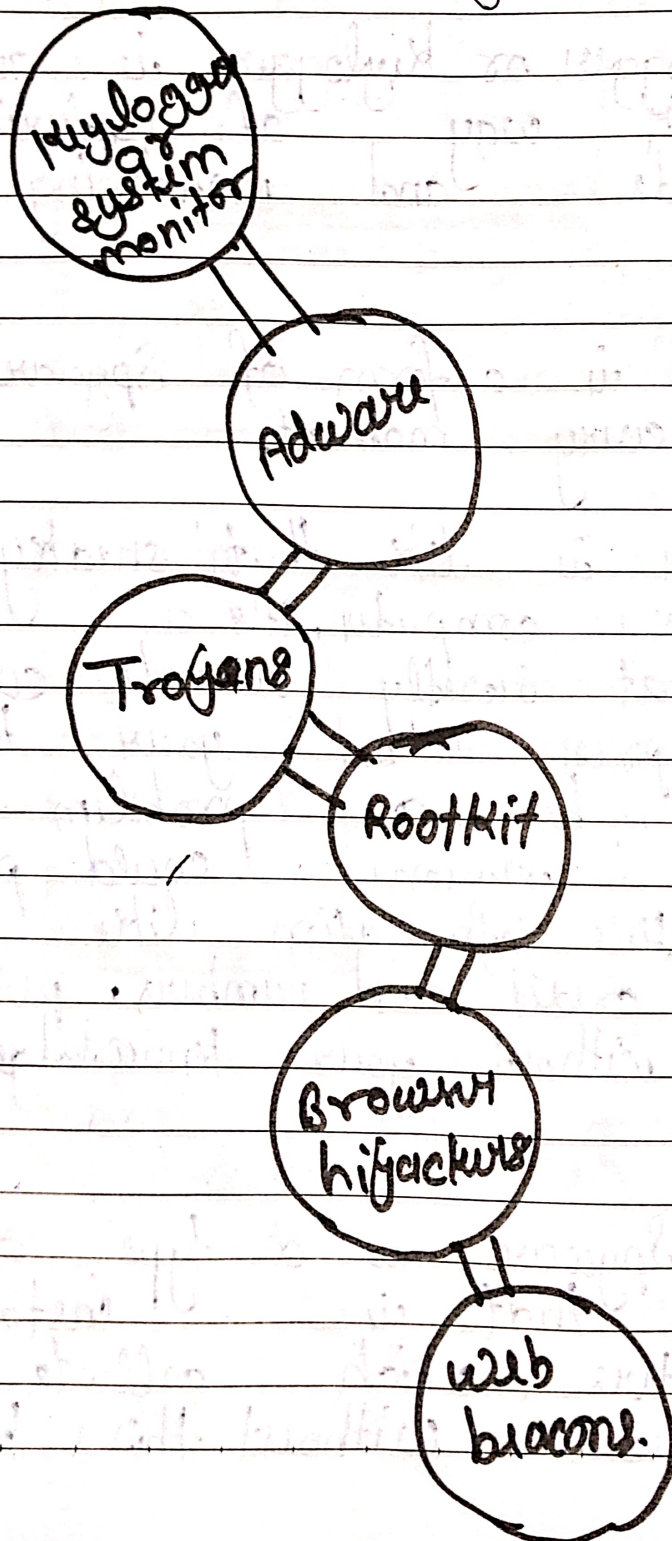
A keylogger is like that sneaky observer for your computer, it's a type of spy that secretly records every key you press on your keyboard. This can be a problem because it means someone could potentially see sensitive information like your passwords, credit card numbers, personal messages without your knowledge.

Spyware

* Spyware is a type of malware that is installed on computers which collects information about users without their knowledge.

The presence of spyware is typically hidden from the user. It is secretly installed on the user's personal computer.

Types of Spyware





Parameter	Spyware	Keylogger
Meaning	S/W that collects info. about user without their knowledge.	S/W that record every keystroke a person on computer.
Records	User activity and internet browsing.	User keystroke.
Prevention S/W	Anti spyware	Anti keylogger
Types	Keylogger, adware, trojans etc.	win spy, spyware.

Virus -

* Virus is type of malware it is created by malicious code or program.

* A computer virus pass from computer to computer in a similar manner as a biological virus pass from person to person.

* Virus may also contain malicious instruction that may cause damage. The combination of possibly malicious code with the ability to spread is what makes virus a considerable concern.



Worms -

① Worms like spreading worms, worms is a type of malware it copy itself and travel through net causing a lot of trouble for many devices.

② Replicate from one computer to another

③ It is less harmful as compared.

④ worms can be control by remote

⑤ To prevent from worms avoid opening email from unknown sources.

⑥ Worms can be detected and removed by anti virus and firewall

Virus.

virus is also type of malware it is created by malicious code it is spread from computer to computer.

It requires a host for spreading

It is more harmful

Virus can't be control by remote

Keep your browser & operating system updated.

Antivirus soft is used for protection against virus

Trojan horse

Trojan horse is a program in which malicious or harmful code is contained inside apparently harmless programming or data in such a way that it can get control and cause harm, for example running the file allocation table on the hard disk.

Trojans pretend to be nice apps or files, but they secretly cause damage. Once you open them, unlike viruses or worms, trojans do not replicate themselves but they can be equally destructive.

For example, waterfalls.exe is a waterfall screen saver as originally claimed by the author, however, it can be associated with malware and become a trojan to unload hidden programs and allow unauthorised access to the user's PC.



Backdoors -

A backdoor is a means of access to a computer program that bypass security mechanism. A programmer may sometimes install a backdoor so that the program can be accessed for troubleshooting or other purposes.

[OR]

A backdoor in computing refers to a hidden or undocumented method of gaining access to a computer system or software application or network. It provides an alternative way to enter a system without going through standard authentication processes.

Backdoors can be intentionally created by software developers for debugging and maintenance purposes, but they can also be exploited or inserted by attackers for malicious activities and with the help of backdoors an individual can manipulate or control a system without proper authorization.

Regular security measures, monitoring and detection mechanisms are essential to identify and

prevent the misuse of backdoors.

(Cryptography) ~~Steganography~~ ^{Steganography} is the art and science of embedding hidden messages or malware in a carrier medium such as an image or video file in a way the recipient does not realize the file is malicious.

* Steganalysis is the art and science of detecting messages that are hidden in images, audio/video files using steganography.

* Steganography is like hiding a message within a picture. Imagine you have a photo, and instead of just seeing the image, certain pixels subtly encode a secret message. Similarly, in steganography, data is concealed within other data to avoid detection, making it a covert way to transmit information without arousing suspicion.

Can be corrected by n/w user



* Denial of Service (DOS) -

Denial of Service means to make inaccessible of the website or n/w and the purpose of the attacker to do for this to demand money for realising the website.

[OR]

A DOS Attack is an attack meant to shut down a machine or network, making it inaccessible to its intended users.

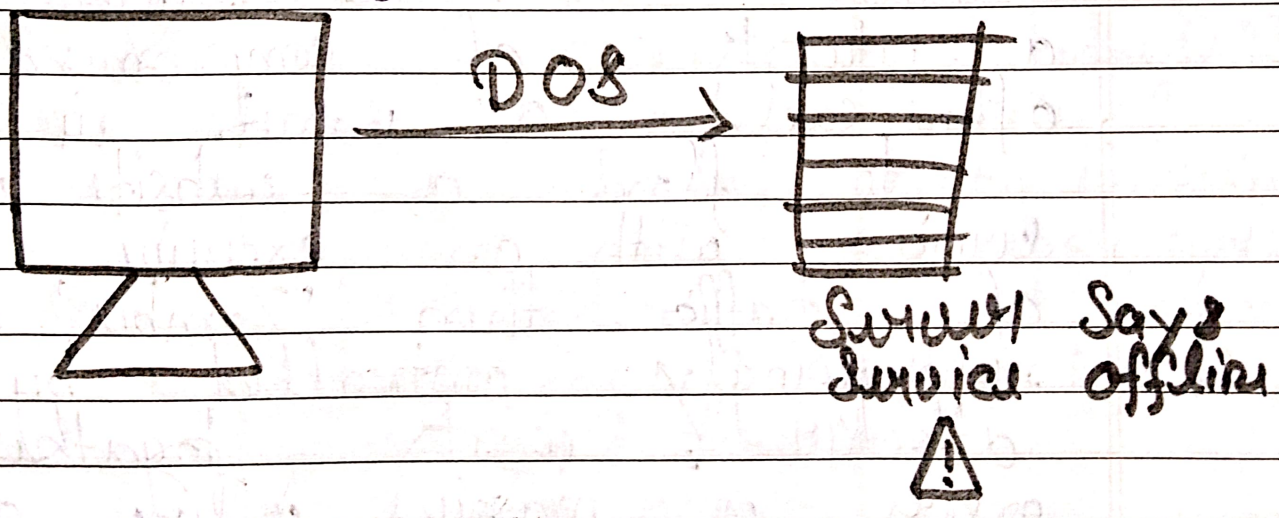
DOS attacks accomplish this by flooding the target with traffic, or sending it information that triggers a crash.

Imagine you're at popular ICE Cream shop and there's long line of people waiting to order their favorite ICE Cream flavors. The shop has a limited capacity to serve a certain no. of customer at a time.

Now, Suppose someone maliciously decided to block the entrance of the shop, preventing new customer from entering. This person might not be interested in buying

ice cream. their intention is to create chaos and make it difficult for others to enjoy the ice cream they want.

→ In the world of Computer network, a Denial of Service (DOS) Attack is similar. instead of blocking ~~or~~ a physical entrance attackers flood (or) a website or an online service with an overwhelming amount of traffic, making it difficult for legitimate users to access the website or service. the goal is to overwhelm the system resources and cause a disruption in its normal functioning, denying access to genuine users.

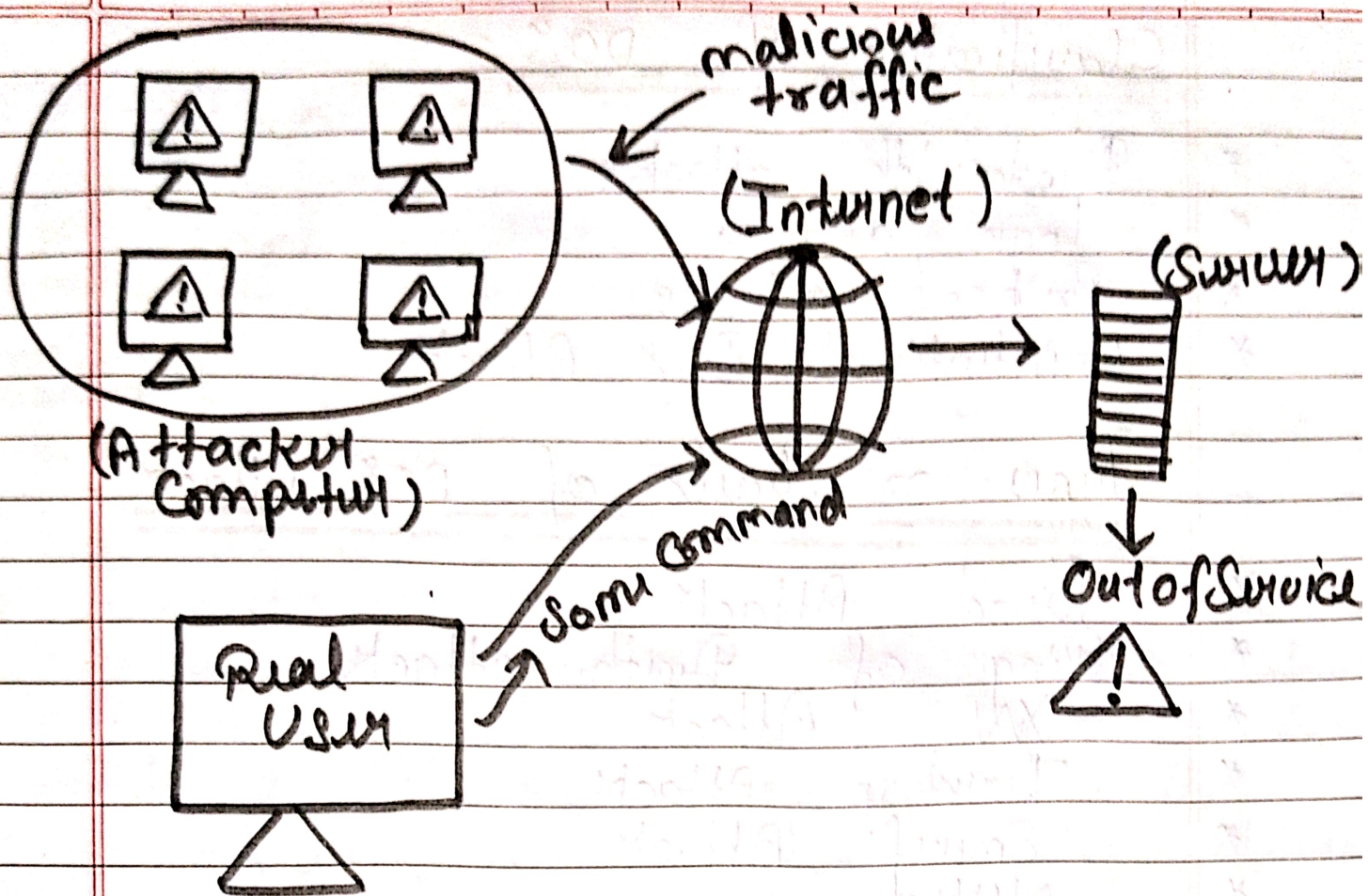




* Distributed Denial of Service (DDoS)

Imagine the same popular ICE Cream shop, but now there's a twist. Instead of one person blocking the entrance shop, a large group of troublemakers spread out and block multiple entrances to the shop simultaneously. Each troublemaker doesn't individually cause a significant problem, but collectively they create chaos by overwhelming the shop's capacity to handle customers.

→ In the world of Computer n/w, a DDoS attack is similar. Instead of a single attacker, a network of compromised computers, often called a Botnet, is used to flood a website or online service with an excessive amount of traffic. These 'Zombie' computers, unknowingly controlled by the attacker, work together to create a massive influx of requests, making it extremely challenging for the targeted system to function properly.



* DOS vs DDOS

	DOS	DDOS
Acronym	Denial of Service	Distributed DOS
Description	A single system targeting a single system.	A no. of system targeting a single system.
Method	Flood just enough traffic from a single loc. to disable the victim n/w.	Flood a massive amount of traffic.
Impact	Modestly effective	Very effective
Tracability	Easily trackable	Difficult to trace
Speed	slow attack	Quick attack

Classification of DOS -

- * Bandwidth attacks
- * Logic attacks
- * Protocol attacks
- * Unintentional DOS Attack.

Types or kinds of DOS Attack -

- * Flood Attack
- * Ping of Death attack
- * SYN Attack
- * Teardrop Attack
- * Smurf Attack
- * Nuke.

SQL Injection -

Structured Query language (SQL) is a database computer language design for managing data in relational database management systems (RDBMS).

- * SQL injection is a code injection technique that might destroy your database.
- * SQL injection is one of most common web hacking techniques.

* SQL injection is the placement of malicious code in SQL statement via web page input.

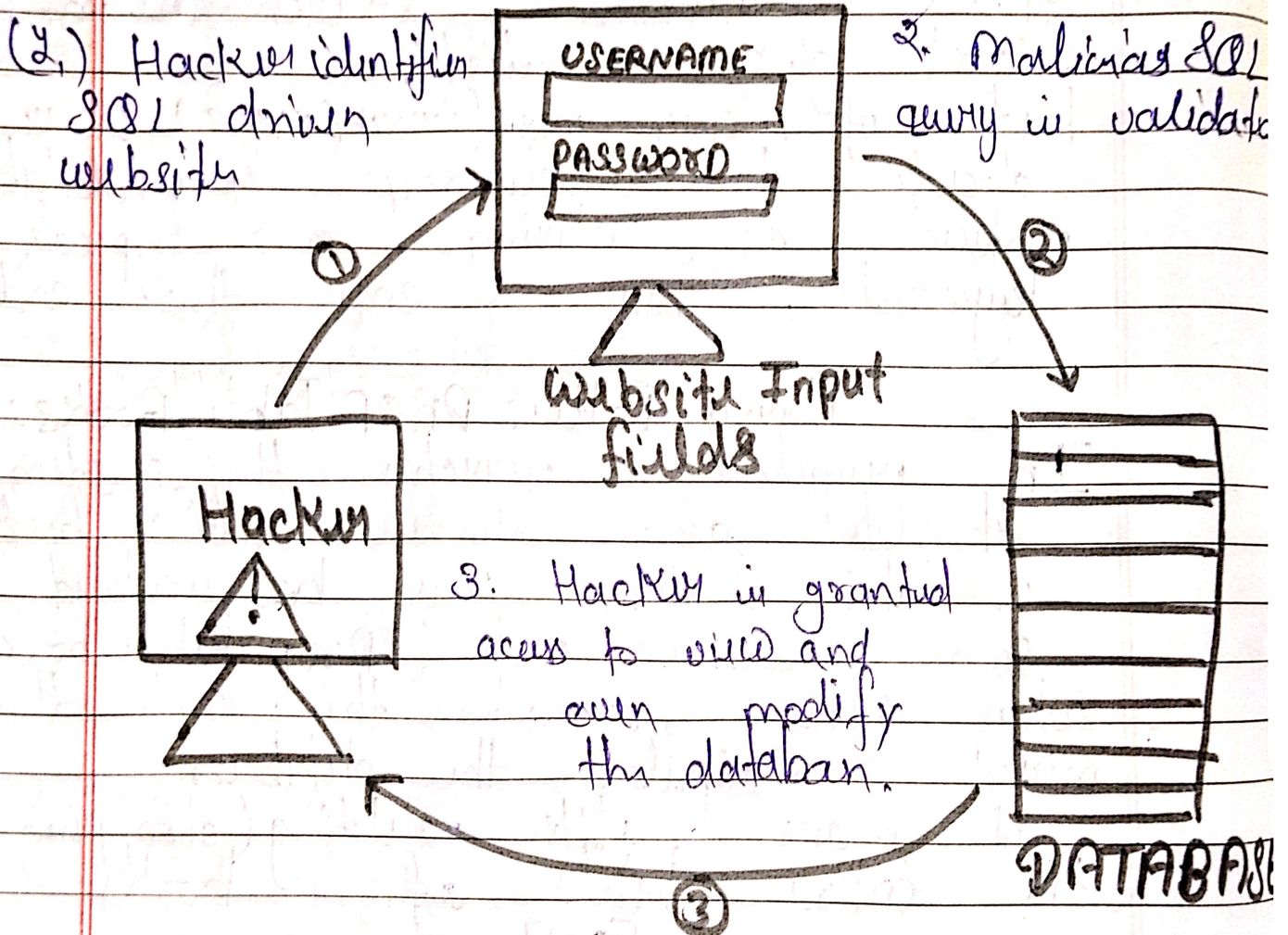
Example

Imagine a library user wants to find a book by typing a keyword into the searchbar. normally the system would take this keyword, search the catalog and give a list. but if any mischievous (malicious) user decides to destroy your database instead of entering a typical keyword, they enter this code

Harry Potter: DROP Table Books: --
In regular searches the system should give the result but in this case user has added some extra code ("Drop table books") when system processed this code then it might manipulate the database if many like deleting (dropping) the entire table of books [OR]

→ In real world terms, SQL injection is a technique where attacker's input malicious SQL code into forms or IP fields on a website,

exploiting vulnerabilities to manipulate the underlying database and potentially gain unauthorized access or perform unintended actions. it's important for developers to implement proper security measures to prevent SQL injection attacks.



Q. what is Blind SQL injection?

Ans Blind SQL injection is used when a web application is (user did not know) ---

valuable to an SQL injection, but the result of the injection can not be visible to the attacker.

* Buffer Overflow -

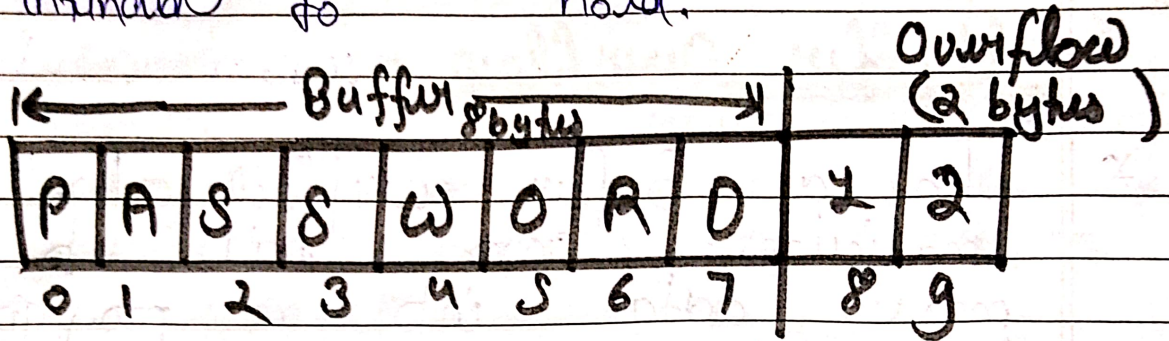
* In a Buffer overflow attack, a malicious actor tries to input more data into a program memory buffer than it can accommodate. If the program doesn't properly handle this excess input, it can lead to unintended consequences such as overwriting or executing malicious code.

* The Buffer^{over}flow Attack results in unreliable program behaviour, including memory access errors, incorrect results, or crashing systems.

* Programming languages commonly associated with buffer overflow include C and C++ which provide no built-in protection against overwriting data in any part of memory and do not automatically check that data written to an array.

* Buffer Overflow occurs when a program or process tries to store

more data in a buffer (temporary data storage area) than it was intended to hold.



For exp - `int main`

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int buffer[10];
buffer[20] = 5;
    
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Buffer Overflow

How to minimize buffer overflow -

- * Assessment of secure code manually
- * Disable stack execution
- * Compiler tools
- * Various tools are used to detect -

- Stack Guard
- ProPolice
- Libsafe

∴ Attacks On wireless network -

* Different Component of wireless network

there are different component of wireless network as follows -

① 802.11 networking standards. The 802.11

standards refer to a set of rules and specification for wireless local area networking (WLAN). these standards define how devices communicate with each other over Wi-Fi.

② wireless Devices. These are gadget like our phone, laptop or tablet that can connect to the internet without any physical cable.

③ wireless Router. Think of this as the traffic cop for your internet. it helps direct data between your device and the internet.

④ Access points. Imagine them as Wi-Fi signal boosters. they help spread the wireless network coverage, making



sure all your devices can connect smoothly.

⑤ WiFi Hotspot -

Wi-Fi Hotspot are location where wireless access to the internet is available, often provided by public establishments such as cafe, airports and Hotels.

⑥ Service set identifier (SSID)

Imagine your wifi networks is like a club and the SSID is the name of that club. It helps you know which Wi-Fi network you want to join.

When you see a list of Wi-Fi names those are SSIDs. Each network has its own name and you can select the one you want to connect.

⑦ Wi-Fi protected access (WPA or WPA2) -

WPA and WPA2 are improved and more secure encryption and security protocols for Wi-Fi networks.

⑧ Media access control (MAC) -

Think of a mac address as a special id card for your device, like your phone or laptop. Just like you have a unique name, each device has a unique mac address. It's like a way for your device to introduce itself on a net.

When devices communicate on a net, they use their mac address to identify the mac address helps make sure data goes to the right device, like your message etc.

* Techniques of attacks on wireless network.

① Eavesdropping.

Imagine you and your friend are passing notes, but someone nearby is secretly reading what you're writing. It's in the digital world, eavesdropping is like someone snooping on the messages being sent over a wireless net. Trying to steal information

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③ Denial of Service (DOS) Attack -
 A DOS attack floods a wireless network with more traffic, making it hard to connect.

④ Man-in-the-middle attacks (MitM) -
 Imagine someone intercepting your notes to your friend and changing the messages, and passing them along without you knowing. A man in the middle attack involves an attacker secretly intercepting and possibly altering the communication between two parties.

⑤ WPA Cracking.
 Attackers may use special tools to crack the encryption and gain unauthorized access to the network.

⑥ SSID Spoofing -
 Attackers may create a fake Wi-Fi network with the same name (SSID) as a legitimate one, fooling users into connecting to the wrong network.

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