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Question Paper Code: R4H05

B.E./B.Tech. DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL / MAY 2025

Fourth Semester

CSE (CYBER SECURITY)

R21USY405- ENGINEERING SECURE SOFTWARE SYSTEMS

(Regulations R2021)

Duration: Three hours

Maximum: 100 Marks

Answer ALL Questions

PART A - (10 x 2 = 20 Marks)

1. What are the core properties of secure software? CO1- U
2. Identify two key properties of secure software and explain how they can be applied to protect sensitive data in a mobile banking application. CO2-App
3. Define the key responsibilities of secure Architecture? CO1- U
4. What does the principle of least privilege mean in software security? CO1- U
5. What is the importance of ensuring code analysis in secure software? CO1- U
6. How would you apply penetration testing to identify vulnerabilities in a web application, and what steps would you take to address any issues found. CO2-App
7. What is the purpose of dynamic code analysis? CO1- U
8. What is the significance of operational processes in cyber security? CO1- U
9. What is meant by modeling security metrics? CO1- U
10. How would you use diagnostic metrics to identify and address security weaknesses in an organization's infrastructure? CO2-App

PART – B (5 x 16= 80 Marks)

11. (a) Explain the SQUARE process model and its steps in identifying and managing security requirements. CO1- U (16)
- Or
- (b) Explain a software security engineer working on a large-scale enterprise application. Identify and explain common security issues and challenges faced during the development and deployment of secure software in detail. CO1- U (16)

12. (a) Explain the critical role of Architecture and Design and Explain its issues and challenges. CO1- U (16)
- Or
- (b) Describe software security engineer working on a large-scale enterprise application. Identify and explain common security issues and challenges faced during the development and deployment of secure software in detail CO1- U (16)
13. (a) Consider a web application that accepts user input through forms. Apply input validation techniques to ensure that only valid data is processed by the system. CO2- App (16)
- Or
- (b) Your company is developing a document management system where users upload confidential reports. How would you ensure that only authorized users can access their own files while preventing unauthorized access? CO2- App (16)
14. (a) Explain the importance of security testing throughout the SDLC with examples. CO1- U (16)
- Or
- (b) Explain the Common types of security failures in software applications. CO1- U (16)
15. (a) Our organization is looking to improve its cyber security posture and wants to track its progress over time. You have been tasked with selecting and implementing a set of key security metrics. What types of security metrics would you prioritize to measure the effectiveness of your security program? CO2- App (16)
- Or
- (b) Suggest an increase in unauthorized access attempts within your network. What diagnostic security metrics would you track to identify the root cause and improve your access control measures? CO2- App (16)