



Description

This reverse engineering program, specifically tailored for the modern cyber expert. This meticulously designed program delves deep into the analysis of both Windows and Linux executables. From the foundational principles of binary structures to the hands-on techniques of real-world software threat mitigation, participants will be equipped with a robust skill set, mastering a plethora of tools and strategies that ensure proficiency in deciphering, understanding, and counteracting software vulnerabilities and malicious threats.

REVERSE ENGINEERING

Module 1: Reverse Engineering

Begin with a deep dive into the foundational pillars of reverse engineering, understanding its pivotal role in today's cybersecurity landscape. Participants will set up a dedicated lab environment, ensuring a hands-on approach from the get-go. The module will also introduce the core concepts of binary structures, file formats, and the nuances of various assembly languages, laying the groundwork for advanced exploration.

Foundations of Reverse Engineering

- Setting Up the Lab
- Essential Tools and Software
- Isolating the Lab and Ensuring Data Integrity
- Introduction to Executables and Libraries
- Understanding Binary Structures and Headers

Assembly Language Primer

- Basics of x86, x64, and ARM

Module 2: Static/Dynamic Analysis

Transition into the world of code analysis, both from a static perspective, where code is dissected without execution, and dynamically, observing software behavior in real-time. This module is designed to provide participants with a thorough understanding of renowned reverse engineering tools and methodologies. Special emphasis will be placed on techniques like unpacking and deobfuscation, crucial for deciphering complex and obfuscated software constructs.

Introduction to Code Disassembly

- Understanding Control Flow Graphs
- Dynamic Analysis Essentials
- Setting up a Debugger
- Breakpoints, Stepping, and Memory Inspection
- Monitoring System Calls and Network Activity
- IDA Pro: Features, Shortcuts, and Plugins
- Ghidra: Open-source Powerhouse
- OllyDbg, GDB, and Radare2
- Unpacking and Deobfuscation
- Introduction to Packed and Obfuscated Code
- Techniques and Tools for Unpacking

Module 3: Advanced RE

This module offers a comprehensive exploration of both Windows and Linux operating systems, focusing on their unique challenges and threats. Participants will analyze platform-specific malware, understand system and API calls, and dive into the complexities of kernel-level reverse engineering, ensuring a holistic understanding of both platforms.

Windows Deep Dive

- Understanding Windows API Calls
- System Libraries and Their Significance
- Malware Analysis Techniques
- Windows Kernel Reverse Engineering

Linux Deep Dive

- Linux System Calls Monitoring
- Shared Libraries
- Linux Malware and Rootkits Detection
- ELF Binary Analysis Techniques

Module 4: Real-World RE

The module will introduce the art of vulnerability identification from software patches, offering insights into the world of software updates and their security implications. Additionally, a significant portion will be dedicated to the ethical dimensions of reverse engineering, ensuring participants are well-versed in the moral and legal boundaries of their expertise.

Practical Scenarios

- Analyzing Real-world Malware Samples
- Bypassing Protections
- Introduction to Software Patches
- Identifying Vulnerabilities
- Case Studies: Famous Vulnerabilities
- Efficiency through Automation