

## **FACULTY OF SCIENCE**

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Campus APK

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# The question paper consists of 3 pages

### **Instructions**:

- Answer all questions.
- Please write neatly and legibly.
- Do not write in pencil.
- Ensure that all diagrams are neatly drawn.
- Unless otherwise stated, diagrams do not constitute complete answers.

## **QUESTION 1**

Application Layer
Presentation Layer
Session Layer
Transport Layer
Network Layer
Data Link Layer
Physical Layer

Consider the Open Systems Interconnection (OSI) model above. Choose any **four (4)** layers. Name each chosen layer and then:

- Discuss one security issue/vulnerability that can be found on the layer
- Discuss the detection of the issue/vulnerability (3)
- Discuss a potential mitigation of the chosen issue/vulnerability (3)

4x(8) = [30 capped]

## **QUESTION 2**

Briefly describe the lifecycle of a rootkit.

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### **QUESTION 3**

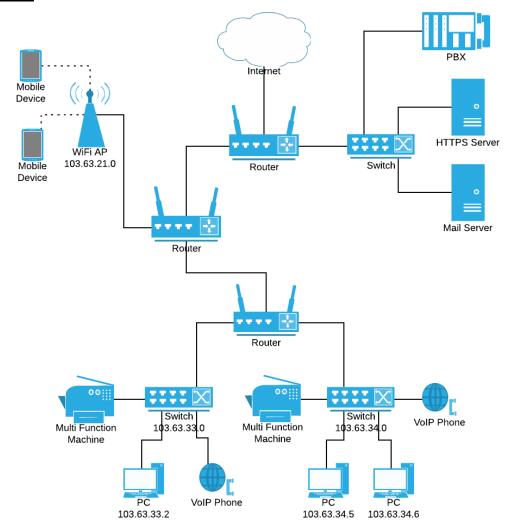
The Open Web Application Security Project (OWASP) is a not-for-profit organisation whose aim is to find and fight web application vulnerabilities. They regularly publish a TOP TEN list of vulnerability.

Name **three (3)** potential vulnerabilities from the OWASP Top 10. **For each** vulnerability named:

- a) Show (using a diagram or code) an **example** of such a vulnerability. (3)
- b) Discuss the **exploitability** and **impact** of your vulnerability. (2)
- c) Discuss **how** this vulnerability can be detected. (2)
- d) Discuss one (1) method of **fixing** the vulnerability. (3)

3x(10) = [30]

## **QUESTION 4**



Consider the network diagram above. Choose any two (2) potential security vulnerabilities. For each chosen vulnerability:

- Briefly discuss the security vulnerability. (3)
- Discuss how an improvement should be implemented.

 $2 \times (10) = [20]$ 

## **QUESTION 5**

Considering your research project for this semester, briefly discuss the vulnerability you identified. Refer to:

- Origin of the vulnerability
- Reason for the vulnerability
- Countermeasure / Fix for vulnerability
- Critique of countermeasure

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**Grand Total: [100]**