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FOREWORD

When a tree falls in the forest and no one is around to hear it, it certainly makes a sound. But if a computer network has a security vulnerability and no one knows about it, is it insecure? Only the most extreme Berkeleian idealist might argue against the former, but the latter is not nearly so obvious.

A network with a security vulnerability is insecure to those who know about the vulnerability. If no one knows about it—if it is literally a vulnerability that has not been discovered—then the network is secure. If one person knows about it, then the network is insecure to him but secure to everyone else. If the network equipment manufacturer knows about it...if security researchers know about it...if the hacking community knows about it—the insecurity of the network increases as news of the vulnerability gets out.

Or does it? The vulnerability exists, whether or not anyone knows about it. Publishing a vulnerability does not cause the network to be insecure. To claim that would be confusing knowledge about a thing with the thing itself. Publishing increases the likelihood that an attacker will use the vulnerability, but not the severity of the vulnerability. Publishing also increases the likelihood that people can defend against the vulnerability. Just as an attacker can't exploit a vulnerability he does not know about, a defender can't protect against a vulnerability he does not know about.

So if keeping vulnerabilities secret increases security, it does so in a fragile way. Keeping vulnerabilities secret only works as long as they remain secret—but everything about information works toward spreading information. Some people spread secrets accidentally; others spread them on purpose. Sometimes secrets are re-derived by someone else. And once a secret is out, it can never be put back.

Security that is based on publishing vulnerabilities is more robust. Yes, attackers learn about the vulnerabilities, but they would have learned about them anyway. More importantly, defenders can learn about them, product vendors can fix them, and sysadmins can defend against them. The more people who know about a vulnerability, the better chance it has of being fixed. By aligning yourself with the natural flow of information instead of trying to fight it, you end up with more security rather than less.

This is the philosophy behind the “full disclosure” security movement and has resulted in a more secure Internet over the years. Software vendors have a harder time denying the existence of vulnerabilities in the face of published research and demonstration code. Companies can't sweep problems under the rug when they're announced in the newspapers. The Internet is still horribly insecure, but it would be much worse if all these security vulnerabilities were kept hidden from the public.

But just because information is public doesn't automatically put it in the hands of the right people. That's where this book comes in. *Hacking Exposed* is the distilled essence of the full-disclosure movement. It's a comprehensive bible of security vulnerabilities: what they are, how they work, and what to do about them. After reading this, you will know more about your network and how to secure it than any other book I can think of. This book is informational gold.

Of course, information can be used for both good and bad, and some might use this book as a manual for attacking systems. That's both true and unfortunate, but the trade-off is worth it. There are already manuals for attacking systems: Web sites, chat rooms, point-and-click attacker tools. Those intent on attacking networks already have this information, albeit not as lucidly explained. It's the defenders who need to know how attackers operate, how attack tools work, and what security vulnerabilities are lurking in their systems.

The first edition of this book was a computer best seller: over 70,000 copies were sold in less than a year. The fact that the authors felt the need to update it so quickly speaks to how fast computer security moves these days. There really is so much new information out there that a second edition is necessary.

There's a Biblical quotation etched on a stone wall in the CIA's lobby: "And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make ye free." Knowledge is power, because it allows you to make informed decisions based on how the world really is...and not on how you may otherwise believe it is. This book gives you knowledge and the power that comes with it. Use both wisely.

Bruce Schneier, 1 July 2000
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INTRODUCTION

INTERNET SECURITY—DEATH BY A THOUSAND CUTS

In the year since the first edition of *Hacking Exposed* was published, it has become almost trite to utter the phrase “information systems are the lifeblood of modern society.” Electronic pulses of ones and zeroes sustain our very existence now, nurturing an almost biological dependence upon instantaneous online commerce, coursing like blood through the vessels of our popular culture and our collective consciousness.

We are sad to report, however, that these vessels are bleeding from a thousand cuts sustained on the digital battlefield that is the Internet today. What saddens us more is that the millions who participate daily in the bounty of the network are not aware of these multiplying wounds:

- ▼ The number of information system vulnerabilities reported to the venerable Bugtraq database has roughly quadrupled since the start of 1998, from around 20 to nearly 80 in some months of 2000 (<http://www.securityfocus.com/vdb/stats.html>).
- The Common Vulnerabilities and Exposures (CVE) Editorial Board, comprised of representatives from over 20 security-related organizations including security software vendors and academic institutions, published over 1,000 mature, well-understood vulnerabilities to the CVE list in 1999 (<http://cve.mitre.org>).

- ▲ The Computer Security Institute and the FBI's joint survey of 643 computer security practitioners in U.S. corporations, government agencies, financial institutions, medical institutions, and universities found that **90 percent of survey respondents detected cyber attacks in the last year, with 273 organizations reporting \$265,589,940 in financial losses** (<http://www.gocsi.com>, "2000 Computer Crime and Security Survey").

And this is just what has been reported. As experienced security practitioners who are immersed in the field each day, we can confidently say that the problem is much worse than everything you've heard or read.

Clearly, our newfound community is at risk of slowly bleeding to death from this multitude of injuries. How can we protect ourselves from this onslaught of diverse and sophisticated attacks that continues to mount?

The Solution: More Information

You are holding the answers in your hand. We have painstakingly tracked the pulse of the battle over the last year to bring you this latest report from the front lines. We are here to say that the fighting is fierce, but the war appears winnable. In this book, we lay out the methods of the enemy, and in every instance provide field-tested strategies for protecting your own portion of the digital landscape. Can you really afford to put off learning this information for much longer?

We think our esteemed colleague Bruce Schneier said it best in the Foreword to the Second Edition (which you may have just read). He said it so well that we're going to repeat some of his thoughts here:

"Hacking Exposed is the distilled essence of the full-disclosure movement. It's a comprehensive bible of security vulnerabilities: what they are, how they work, and what to do about them. After reading this, you will know more about your network and how to secure it than any other book I can think of. This book is informational gold."

100,000 Readers Already Know

But don't take our word for it. Or Bruce's. Here's what some of the over 100,000 readers of the first edition had to say:

*"I reviewed the book *Hacking Exposed* about 6 months ago and found it to be incredible. A copy of it was given to every attendee (over 300) at the [large U.S. military] conference that I attended last March..." —President of a computer-based training company*

"I have to recommend this book as a total and absolute MUST for anyone running a commercial Win NT operation...it's written in a clear, understandable, fun style, and they give plenty of examples and resources where tools and other solutions are available. If you only buy one computer book this quarter, THIS SHOULD BE THE ONE." —Stu Sjouwerman, *President, Sunbelt Software; Editor, NTools E-News (600,000+ subscribers); Author of Amazon.com Top 10 Bestseller Windows NT Power Toolkit and the Windows 2000 System Administrator's Black Book*

"Just when you think you know a topic, you read a book like this. I thought I knew NT and UNIX, how wrong I was! This book really opened my eyes to the loopholes and possibilities for security breaches in systems I thought I had secured..." —*a reader from Ireland*

"I build encrypted data networks for the U.S. government. This book contains MUCH more information than I expected. It fluently covers the methods used before and during a network attack. *Hacking Exposed* impressed me so much that I have put it into my personal collection and recommended it to more than a dozen colleagues. Excellent work gentlemen!" —*a reader from the United States*

"Reads like fiction, scares like hell! This book is *the* how-to manual of network security. Each vulnerability is succinctly summarized along with explicit instructions for exploiting it and the appropriate countermeasures. The overview of tools and utilities is also probably the best ever published. If you haven't read it yet, do so immediately because a lot of other people *are*." —*a reader from Michigan*

"...the book's 'it takes a thief to catch a thief' approach does the trick. I recommend that every CIO in the world read this book. Or else." —*a reader from Boston, Massachusetts*

"One the best books on computer security on the market...If you have anything at all to do with securing a computer this book is a must read." —*Hacker News Network, www.hackernews.com*

An International Best-Seller

These are just a few of the many accolades we've received via email and in person over the last year. We wish we could print them all here, but we'll let the following facts sum up the overwhelmingly positive reader sentiment that's flooded our inboxes:

- ▼ Many colleges and universities, including the U.S. Air Force and the University of Texas, have developed entire curricula around the contents of *Hacking Exposed*, using it as a textbook.
- It has been translated into over a dozen languages, including German, Mandarin Chinese, Spanish, French, Russian, and Portuguese, among others. It continues to be an international best-seller.

- *Hacking Exposed* has consistently ranked in the top 200 on Amazon.com during the first year of its publication, reaching as high as No. 10 in only six months, a truly phenomenal performance for a “niche” technical topic.
- It has been consistently ranked the No. 1 technical or computer security book on numerous booklists, web sites, newsletters, and more, including Amazon, Borders, Barnes & Noble, as well as the No. 5 spot amongst General Computer Books on the *Publisher’s Weekly* Bestseller List in May 2000, and in the June 26, 2000, *News & Observer* “Goings On—Best Selling Computer Books.”
- ▲ *Hacking Exposed* was the No. 1 selling book when we first launched it at Network+Interop in fall 1999.

What’s New in the Second Edition

Of course, we’re not perfect. The world of Internet security moves even faster than the digital economy, and many brand-new tools and techniques have surfaced since the publication of our first edition. We have expended prodigious effort to capture what’s important in this new edition, while at the same time making all of the improvements readers suggested over the last year.

Over 220 Pages of New Content

Here’s an overview of the terrific changes we’ve made:

1. An entirely new chapter, entitled “**Hacking the Internet User,**” covering insidious threats to web browsers, email software, active content, and all manner of Internet client attacks, including the vicious new **Outlook email date field buffer overflow** and **ILOVEYOU** worms.
2. A **huge new chapter** on Windows 2000 attacks and countermeasures.
3. Significantly **updated e-commerce hacking methodologies** in Chapter 15.
4. Coverage of all the new **Distributed Denial of Service (DDoS)** tools and tricks that almost broke down the Internet in February 2000 (Trinoo, TFN2K, Stacheldraht).
5. Coverage of **new back doors and forensic techniques**, including defenses against Win9x back doors like Sub7.
6. New network discovery tools and techniques, including an updated section on **Windows-based scanning tools**, an explanation of **how to carry out eavesdropping attacks on switched networks using ARP redirection**, and an in-depth analysis of **RIP spoofing attacks**.
7. **New updated case studies** at the beginning of each section, covering recent security attacks of note.