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# PRESIDENCY UNIVERSITY

BENGALURU

## Mid - Term Examinations – October 2025

**Date:** 11-10-2025

**Time:** 09.30am to 11.00am

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| <b>School:</b> SOCSE         | <b>Program:</b> B.Tech              |                       |
| <b>Course Code :</b> CCS2504 | <b>Course Name:</b> Ethical Hacking |                       |
| <b>Semester:</b> V           | <b>Max Marks:</b> 50                | <b>Weightage:</b> 25% |

| <b>CO - Levels</b> | <b>CO1</b> | <b>CO2</b> | <b>CO3</b> | <b>CO4</b> | <b>CO5</b> |
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| <b>Marks</b>       | <b>26</b>  | <b>24</b>  | -          | -          | -          |

**Instructions:**

- (i) *Read all questions carefully and answer accordingly.*
- (ii) *Do not write anything on the question paper other than roll number.*

### Part A

**Answer ALL the Questions. Each question carries 2marks.**

**5Q x 2M=10M**

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|----------|--|----------------|-----------|------------|
| <b>1</b> | List out the types of Security                 | <b>2 Marks</b> | <b>L1</b> | <b>CO1</b> |
| <b>2</b> | Differentiate between vulnerability vs thread. | <b>2 Marks</b> | <b>L2</b> | <b>CO1</b> |
| <b>3</b> | Define exploit and risk with example.          | <b>2 Marks</b> | <b>L1</b> | <b>CO1</b> |
| <b>4</b> | List some Common Applications of Linux.        | <b>2 Marks</b> | <b>L1</b> | <b>CO1</b> |
| <b>5</b> | What Is BackTrack?                             | <b>2 Marks</b> | <b>L1</b> | <b>CO2</b> |

## Part B

### Answer the Questions.

**Total Marks 40M**

|           |           |  |                 |           |            |
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| <b>6.</b> | <b>a.</b> | <p>Assume a multinational company faces the following incidents:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A politically motivated group defaces its website.</li> <li>• A skilled individual finds vulnerabilities without permission and reports them online.</li> <li>• A security team hired by the company tests its systems legally.</li> </ul> <p>Identify the types of hackers in each scenario, justify your answer, and discuss how organizations should respond.</p> | <b>10 Marks</b> | <b>L2</b> | <b>CO1</b> |
|           | <b>b.</b> | Differentiate between pen test vs vulnerability assessment.  | <b>10 Marks</b> | <b>L2</b> | <b>CO1</b> |

**Or**

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| <b>7.</b> | <b>a.</b> | Illustrate and explain the phases of hacking in a systematic manner. Support your answer with a neat diagram.  | <b>10 Marks</b> | <b>L2</b> | <b>CO1</b> |
|           | <b>b.</b> | “Different types of penetration testing target different layers of security.” Justify this statement by explaining the major types of penetration testing along with tools and methods used. | <b>10 Marks</b> | <b>L2</b> | <b>CO1</b> |

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| <b>8.</b> | <b>a.</b> | Rules of Engagement act as a legal and operational boundary in penetration testing.” Justify | <b>10 Marks</b> | <b>L2</b> | <b>CO2</b> |
|           | <b>b.</b> | Differentiate between pen test vs ethical hacking.   | <b>10 Marks</b> | <b>L2</b> | <b>CO2</b> |
|           |           | <b>Or</b>  |                 |           |            |
| <b>9.</b> | <b>a.</b> | Compare any two major Linux operating systems in terms of usage and features.                | <b>10 Marks</b> | <b>L2</b> | <b>CO2</b> |
|           | <b>b.</b> | Write a detailed note on BackTrack Linux, highlighting its role in ethical hacking.          | <b>10 Marks</b> | <b>L2</b> | <b>CO2</b> |