

Title: **Information and System Security**

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Textbook: Ross Anderson, Security Engineering 2nd/1st edition (major part available online), chapter numbers refer to second edition

Goal: The goal of the course is to give the students a basic grasp of information/system security problems and solutions. Rather than teaching specific current technologies and vulnerabilities/threats, we will introduce general problems, formalize them if appropriate and illustrate them with a wide range of examples, both with current and legacy technologies. We put emphasis on problems that will be encountered by most programmers and developers through their careers.

Principles:

- Course modeled after the Cambridge University courses, which defined the universally adopted and widely recommended textbook: Security Engineering.
- Includes about 25% of our original content in our domains of expertise, which will be covered by additional materials.
- About 75% of the course covers the areas with direct research contribution or significant professional expertise of the lecturer and team members.

Team background (relevant to course topics):

- **Martin Rehak:** *network security, network intrusion detection, trust modeling* – PhD thesis, active original research, impacted, cited publications, industrialization
- Secure mobile systems, location-based services, mobile banking systems; *protocols, cryptography, secure systems development, smartcards, distributed systems security* - professional experience with Schlumberger (Gemalto)
- **Tomas Pevny:** *steganography, information hiding, steganalysis* – PhD thesis (SUNY), original research, numerous impacted, cited publications, postdoc (CNRS)
- **Michal Svoboda:** *secure systems administration, host security, multi-level security* (SE Linux) – professional system administration experience in highly secure environment (pharmaceuticals), currently PhD student/researcher, research in network security
- **Martin Grill, Karel Bartos:** *network security* research – co-authors of the CAMNEP system, publications, PhD students

Themes/Lectures:

1. **Introduction, Security models, threat models (Anderson, Ch.1)**
 - a. Security properties: confidentiality, integrity, non-repudiation, availability, ...
 - b. Methods: Authorization, Authentication, ciphering, replication...
 - c. Attacker/threat models: sophistication, resources, time

- d. Assumptions
 - e. Security by obscurity vs. guaranteed system properties
- 2. Protocols and Access Control (I) (Anderson, Ch. 3)**
- a. Importance of protocol, assumptions
 - b. Why protocols, their properties
 - c. Attack surface, Attacks on protocols
 - d. API
- 3. Cryptography (I) (Anderson, Ch. 5)**
- a. Ciphering basics and terms - invertibility, key, plaintext, ciphertext...
 - b. Block/Stream ciphers
 - c. Vernam
 - d. DES, AES
 - e. Cipher modes, practicalities, side-channel attacks
- 4. Cryptography (II) (Anderson, Ch. 5)**
- a. Asymmetric cryptography (DH,EG,RSA)
 - b. Cryptographic hash functions
 - c. Electronic signatures
 - d. Certificates
 - e. WEP failures, A4/A8 failures
- 5. Protocols and Access Control (II) (Anderson, Ch. 3/4, GSM/3GPPS spec,...)**
- a. Kerberos
 - b. Protocols for authorization, authentication, integrity, non-repudiation
 - c. GSM login, UMTS3G login
 - d. Banking, electronic transactions
- 6. Protocols and Access Control (III) (Anderson, Ch. 3/4/6)**
- a. SSL, MITM attacks, phishing
 - b. Key distribution, key distribution in wireless networks
 - c. Access control
 - d. Rights management - satellite broadcasts use-case
- 7. Multi-Level Security (Anderson, Ch. 8)**
- a. Bell-La Padua model
 - b. Technical solutions and implementations
 - c. Networking in MLS
 - d. Data pumps
 - e. SE Linux, security policies, access controls, policies and modifiers...
- 8. Multi-Lateral Security, Inference Security, Privacy (Anderson, Ch. 9)**
- a. Census data security
 - b. Workplace home pairs as a practical example
 - c. Location based services security
 - d. Social network mining
- 9. Steganography, Information hiding, covert channels (TBD)**
- a. Steganography introduction and motivation

- b. Current problems
- c. Steganography
- d. Steganalysis

10. Economic Considerations (Anderson, Ch.7)

- a. Game theory
- b. Electronic marketplaces
- c. Botnet economic model, e-crime economic models
- d. Reputation systems, their strengths, attacks-on, misuse

11. Network Security (I) (Northcutt: Inside Network Perimeter Security)

- a. Threat analysis
- b. Attacks (vulnerabilities: e.g. buffer overflows, weak passwords,)
- c. Transmission vectors,
- d. Rootkits, malware

12. Network Security (II) (Northcutt: Network Intrusion Detection: An Analyst's Handbook)

- a. Host security
- b. Firewalls, network policies, routers, VPN, tunnels
- c. Network monitoring, Intrusion detection

13. Monitoring and Attacks on Monitoring (Anderson, Ch.12)

- a. Importance of monitoring
- b. Monitoring phases: observation, data processing, recognition, decision, feedback action
- c. Attacks on sensors
- d. Attacks on cognition, misleading, confusion,...
- e. Disinformation

Labs:

Labs will concentrate on a limited number of topics, selected on the basis of being representative of the domain, feasible for the students and practically applicable through their careers. While the lectures will remain on a high level of generality, labs will tackle specific instances of the theoretical problems discussed during the lectures.

1. System Analysis, security properties of a specific system, threat model [**1/2 labs**]
2. Crypto/protocols: [**4/5 labs**]
 - a. SSL session setup (bit-by bit) , vulnerabilities, key management, certificates
 - b. Protocols: eavesdropping in GSM/3G networks, MITM attacks, API security, access control
3. Multi-level security: practical setup of SELinux, testing, BLP model implementation, resilience to attacks and single application vulnerabilities [**3 labs**]
4. Selection of labs [**4 labs**]:
 - a. Steganography
 - b. Network security