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What is Security?

Protecting information and information systems from unauthorized access, use, disclosure, disruption, modification, or destruction in order to provide integrity, confidentiality, and availability

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Integrity

 Guarding against improper information modification or destruction, and includes ensuring information nonrepudiation and authenticity
 e.g., data integrity, code integrity

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Confidentiality

 Preserving authorized restrictions on access and disclosure, including means for protecting personal privacy and proprietary information
 e.g., secrecy, privacy

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Introduction

Availability

• Ensuring timely and reliable access to and use of information

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The HBGary Hacking Saga

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Who is Anonymous

- Anonymous is a loosely associated hacktivist group
 - originated on the imageboard 4chan in 2003
 - associated with collaborative hacktivism since 2008
 - responsible for many high-profile attacks: DDOS attacks against IFPI, MPAA for file sharing site closure, VISA, MasterCard and PayPal to support WikiLeaks
 - maned by Time as one of the most influential people in 2012



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- HBGary was sold to ManTech after being hacked



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- Anonymous compromised the HBGary in Feb 2011
 - compromised the websites
 - posted lots of documents and emails online
 - usurped Aaron's Twitter

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- Cover it up: files, logs...

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- User database was retrieved from CMS:
 - CMS admins' usernames, email addresses, and password hashes

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• Brutal force is the main method to guess passwords

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- Brute-forcing passwords has never been easier
 - more than 100 million real-world passwords are leaked
 - real-world passwords instead of words in a dictionary
 - patterns in password construction
 - Rainbow tables, pre-computed hashes, are widely available
 - super computing power is cheap and available: cloud, GPGPU

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- Public key authentication is not used for SSH by Aaron

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The HBGary Hacking: Host Insecurity

- Privilege-escalation vulnerabilities
 - the attacker owned an unprivileged account by a reused password
 - he then owned the system by exploiting such a vulnerability: GNU dynamic linker expands \$ORIGIN in library search path for setuid applications

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 - the attack was claimed to be executed by a teenage girl

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More Security Incidents



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Surveillance State



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- Cover the topics of: cryptography, hashes and message digests, public key cryptography, important standards such as PKI, SSL, SSH, and IPSec, operating system security

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Course Mechanisms

You Should Know

- TCP/IP networking
- Operating systems architecture and design
 e.g., virtual memory, file systems, networking,...
- Discrete mathematics

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Course Materials

- Course website: http://www.cs.fsu.edu/~zwang/cnt5412.html
 course schedules, assignments, slides,
- Course textbook

Kaufman, C., Perlman, R., and Speciner, M., Network Security: Private Communication in a Public World, 2nd Edition, Prentice Hall 2002

Office hour: Monday 2:30-4:30pm, or by appointment
 im come to the office hour for help!

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Course Mechanisms

Grading

item	percentage	
homework	30%	
project	30%	
midterm	30%	
quizzes	10%	

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Course Policy

- Academic honor policy: zero-tolerance for cheating http://academichonor.fsu.edu
- Ethics: act responsibly in security practices
- Disabilities: contact the instructor for accommodation

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OSI Reference Model

Layer	Name	Who	Example	PDU
7	application	E-E	HTTP	message
6	presentation	E-E	UTF8	
5	session	E-E	Web Conference	
4	transport	E-E	TCP/UDP	segment/datagram
3	network	router	IP	packet
2	data link	bridge, switch	Ethernet	frame
1	physical	repeater	Ethernet	bit stream

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Network Security Layers

Layer	Security	
Physical	Blacklisting	
Data link	Wireless Ethernet, PPP Authentication	
Network	IPSec	
Transport	SSL (TLS)	
Application	PGP (email)	

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Data Encapsulation/Fragmentation



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IP Header



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TCP Header



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A Primer on Networking

TCP State Machine



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Active and Passive Attack

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 unencrypted messages, side channel attacks (tax, health)

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- Active attack: intruder may transmit, replay, modify, delete messages
 man-in-the-middle, Denial-of-service

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Denial-of-Service (DOS) Attack

Exploit legitimate behavior or vulnerabilities with crafted packets
 E-Mail bomb: sending auto-generated emails to victim
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- Launch Distributed DOS (DDOS) with botnets

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Personae

Alice:first participantBob, Carol, Dave:second, third, fourth participantEve:eavesdropperTrudy:malicious active attacker

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Secure Communication

- Secrecy: Alice can send a message to Bob only he can read
- Authentication: Bob knows for sure that Alice sent it
- Nonrepudiation : Alice can't deny she sent the message

Summary

- What is security
- Real-world attacks
- Course mechanisms
- A primer of networking
- Next lecture: Introduction to cryptography