



CS - 554 Network Security

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Course Outcomes: At the completion of the course, students will be able to

CO1: Learn and understand various factors driving the need for network security

CO2: Identify and learn about various types of attacks to network

CO3: Analyze various vulnerability, threat, and attacks to network

CO4: Compare and contrast symmetric and asymmetric encryption systems and their vulnerability to attack, and explain the characteristics of hybrid systems.

Course Contents

Introduction to information Security: Types of information security controls and purposes of Information Security Management, Allocation of information security responsibilities.

Telecommunications Security: Objectives, Threats and Countermeasures, Identification of Security threats and development of countermeasures, Technologies and Security policies,

Authentication: Overview of Authentication schemes: Password and address based Authentication, Cryptographic Authentication protocols, Trusted Intermediaries and session key establishment. Security handshake pitfalls: Mutual authentication, Integrity for data, Mediated Authentication and strong password protocols

Public key infrastructure (PKI): PKI trust models, Revocation and Authorization futures.

Security at the Network Layer (IPsec): IPsec Overview, History, and Standards: Overview of IPsec Services and Functions - IPsec Standards. IPsec General Operation, Components, and Protocols: IPsec Core Protocols - IPsec Support Components. IPsec Architectures and Implementation Methods: Integrated Architecture - Bump in the Stack (BITS) Architecture - Bump in the Wire (BITW) Architecture. IPsec Modes: Transport Mode - Tunnel Mode - Comparing Transport and Tunnel Modes. IPsec Security Constructs: Security Policies, Security Associations, and Associated Databases - Selectors - Security Association Triples and Security Parameter Index (SPI). IPsec Authentication Header (AH): AH Datagram Placement and Linking - AH Format. IPsec Encapsulating Security Payload (ESP): ESP Fields - ESP Operations and Field Use - ESP Format. Internet Key Exchange (IKE): Improved Diffie-Hellman Key Exchange - IKE Phases - Phases and Modes - Phase 1: Main Mode, Aggressive Mode - Phase II: Quick Mode - SA Algorithms. ISAKMP: General Header - Payloads.

Security at the Transport Layer (SSL/TLS): SSL Architecture: Services - Key Exchange Algorithms - Encryption/Decryption Algorithms - Hash Algorithms - Cipher Suite - Compression Algorithms - Cryptographic Parameter Generation - Sessions and Connections. Four Protocols: Handshake Protocol - Change Cipher Spec Protocol - Alert Protocol - Record Protocol. SSL Message Formats: Change Cipher Spec Protocol - Alert Protocol - Handshake Protocol - Application Data. TLS: Version - Cipher Suite - Generation of Cryptographic Secrets - Alert Protocol - Handshake Protocol - Record Protocol. SSL versus SET.

Security at the Application Layer: PGP and S/MIME: EMAIL - Email Architecture - Email Security. PGP - Scenarios - Key Rings - PGP Certificates - Key Revocation - Extracting Information from Rings - PGP Packets - PGP Messages - Applications of PGP. S/MIME: MIME-S/MIME - Applications of S/MIME. Time Stamping Protocol. Secure Electronic Transaction (SET): - Introduction - SET Participants - SET Process - SET Internals.

System Security (Linux Firewall): Firewall Design Principles. IPTABLES: Packet filtering with Iptables. Network Layer Attacks and Defense: Logging the IP Header - IP Spoofing - IP Fragmentation - Low TTL values - The Smurf Attack - Route Table Modification - DDoS Attacks - Linux Kernel IGMP Attack - Network Layer Responses. Transport Layer Attacks and Defense: Logging the TCP and UDP Header with Iptables - Port Scans - Port Sweeps - TCP sequence Prediction Attacks - SYN floods - TCP session hijacking - Transport Layer Responses. DNS Attacks. Router Access controls Lists (ACL) - Inbound & outbound traffic - Service and System blocking.

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