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Chapter 1 - Principles and Practices

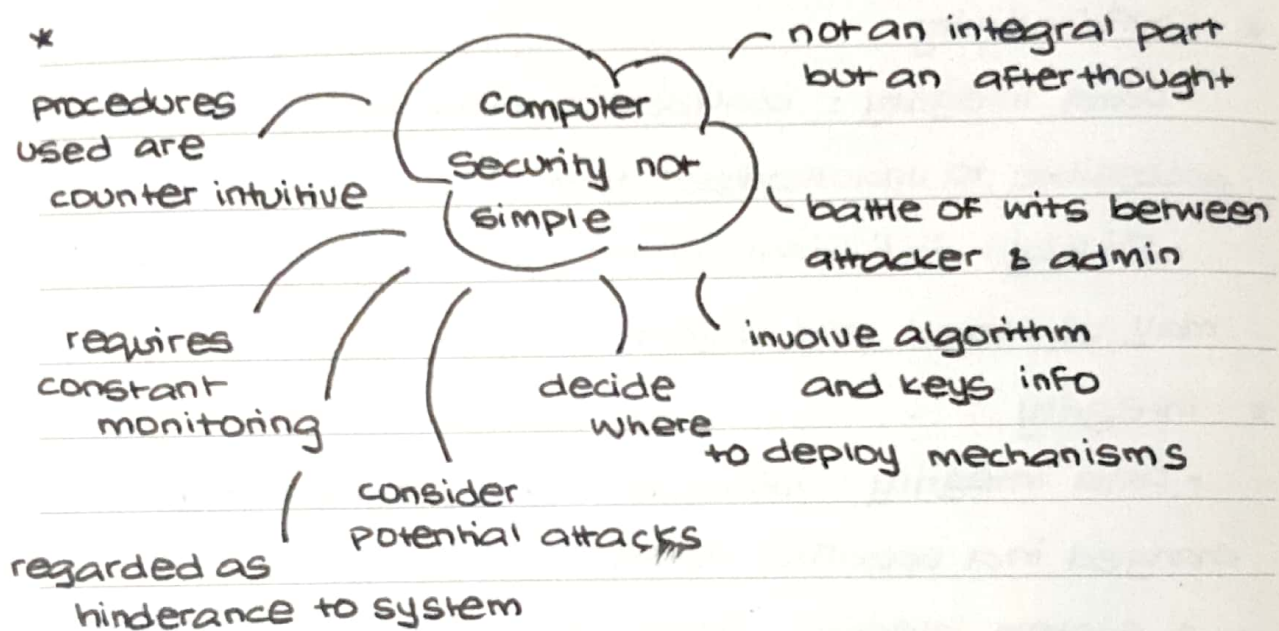
- * computer security - protection provided to an information system to attain confidentiality, integrity and availability to its resources.
- * Confidentiality
 - Data integrity : confidential information not accessible to unauthorized user
 - Privacy : individual control on what information may be stored and collected
- * Integrity
 - Data integrity : information and program only changed in a specified manner
 - system integrity : system performs its operations in not damaged manner
- * Availability - system works promptly and service not denied to users
- * Authenticity - to be able to be genuine and be able to be verified and trusted, confidence in the validity
- * Accountability - requirement for action to be traced uniquely to an individual to support non-repudiation, deference and fault isolation

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* Levels of Impact - loss that has effect on organizational assets ~~of~~, organizational operations or individuals

- Low : expected to have limited effect
- Moderate : expected to have serious adverse effect
- High : expected to have serious or catastrophic effect



* Assests of a computer system are hardware, software, data and communication facilities and networks

* Adversary (threat agent) - anyone that conducts or intends to conduct detrimental activities

* Attack - malicious activity to collect, disrupt, deny, degrade, destroy information security resources or information

* Countermeasure - device/technique for impairment

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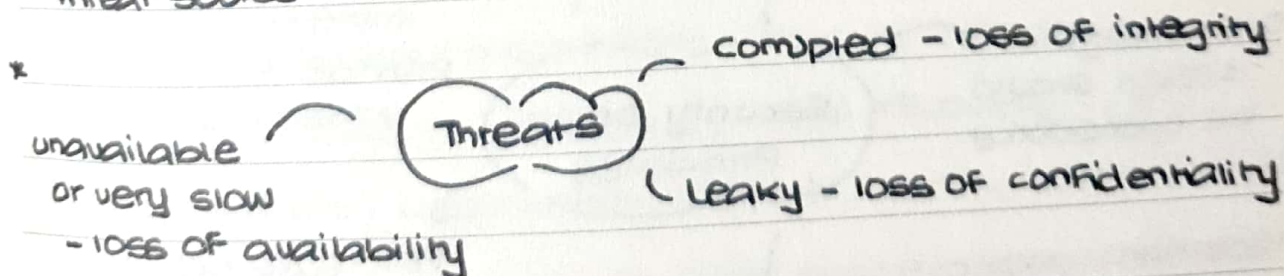


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of operational effectiveness of undesirable or adversarial activity.

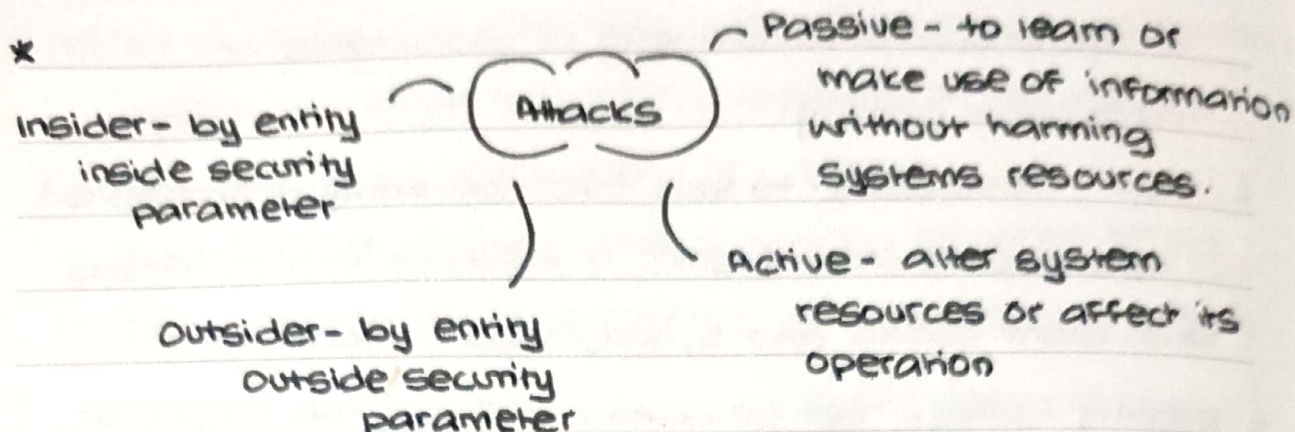
- * Risk - a measure to see extent an entity is threatened by occurrence of an event. 1) adverse impacts arise when event occurs and 2) likelihood of occurrence.
- * Security Policy - set of criteria defining the constraints and activities of data processing to maintain security for systems and data.
- * System Resource (Asset) - major application, general support system, high impact program, personnel, equipment or logically related group of systems
- * Threat - circumstance/event to adversary effect organization through unauthorized access, DOS, ~~des~~ destruction & or disclosure
- * Vulnerability - weakness in an information system or implementation that could be exploited or triggered by a threat source.



- * Threats exploit vulnerabilities to potentially harm an asset

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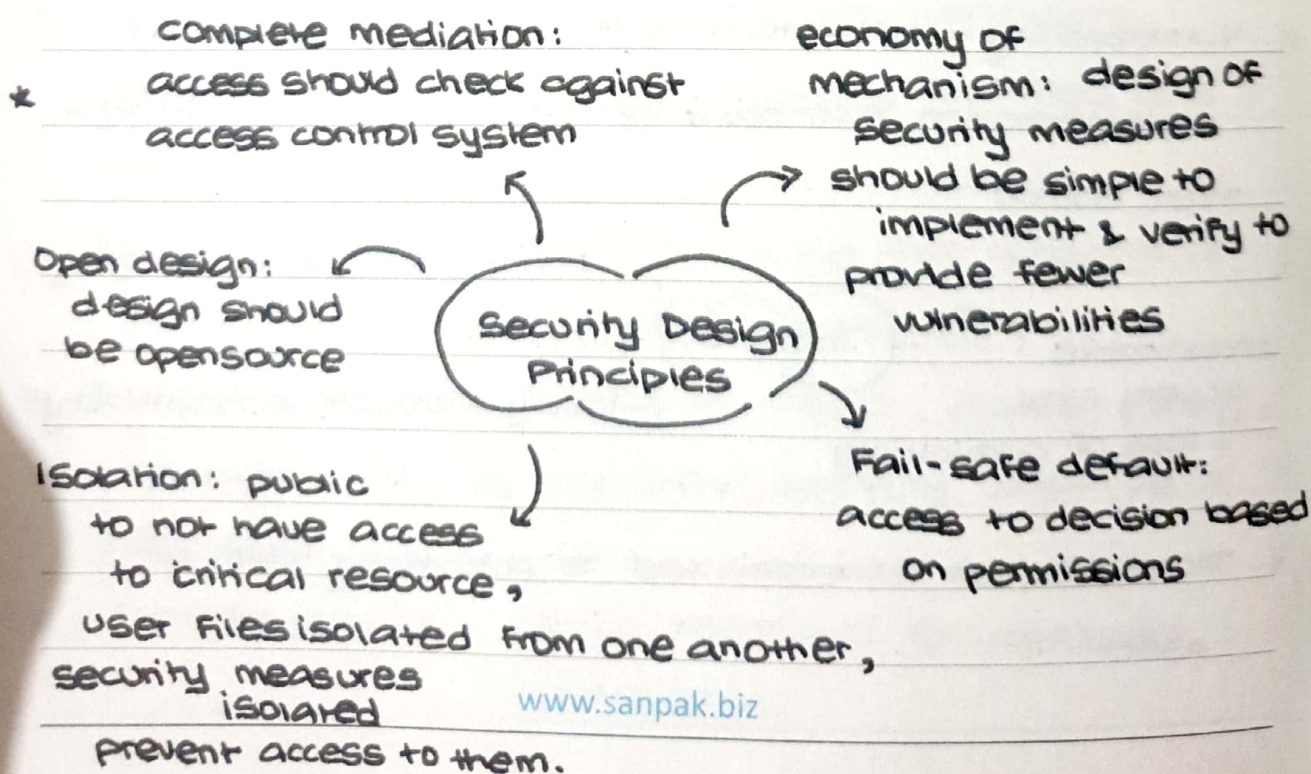
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* Deal with security attacks by prevent, detect and recover.

* Scope of computer security:

- Protection: access to data must be controlled.
- User authentication: access to computer facility controlled.
- Network Security: data transmitted securely through networks.
- File security: sensitive files must be secure



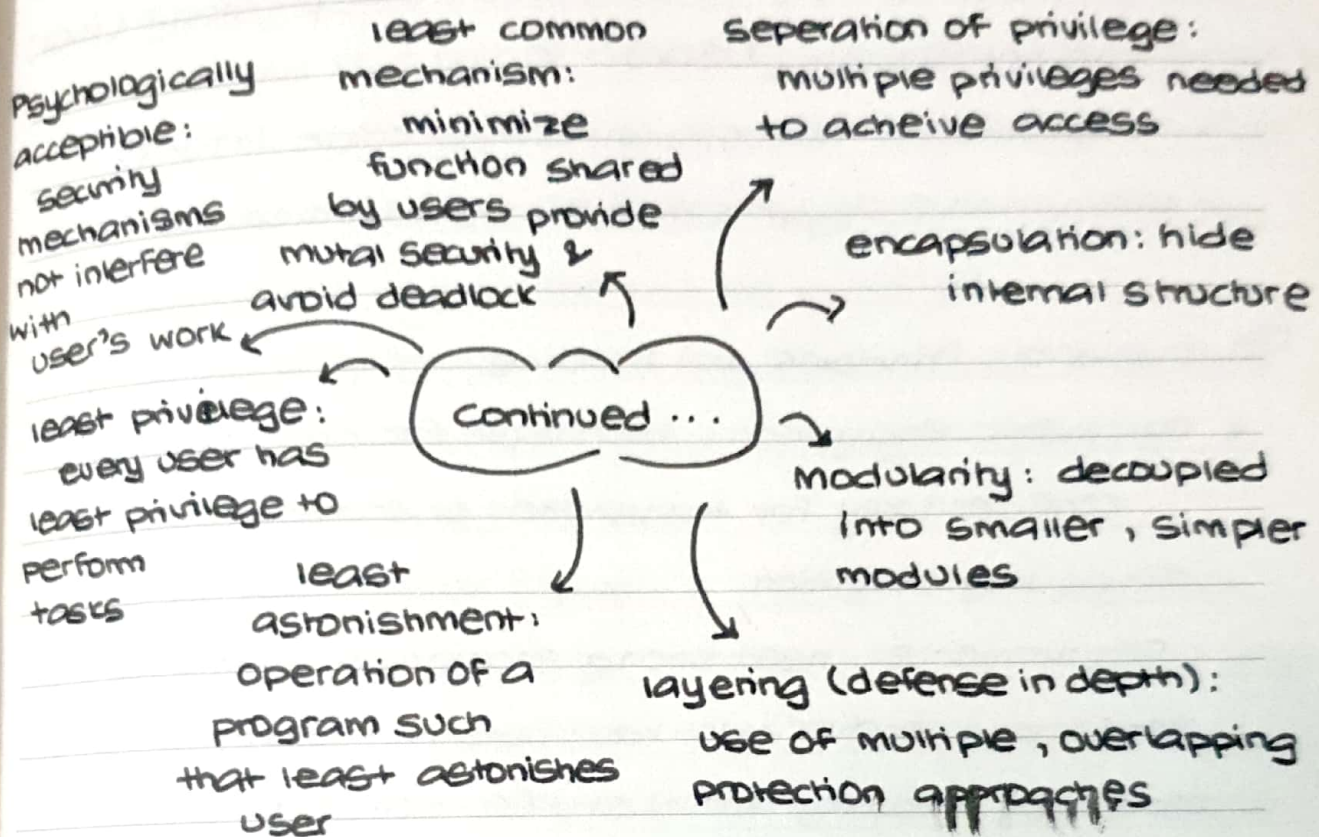
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* Overall Strategy for providing security:

- Policy: what security schemes are supposed to do assets & their values, potential threats, ease of use vs security, cost of security vs cost of failure.
- Implementation / mechanism: how to enforce prevention, detection, response and recovery
- Correctness / assurance: does it work, validation / review

* Standards - developed to cover management practices and overall architecture of security mechanisms and services.

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- National Institute of Standards & Technology (NIST)
- Internet Society (ISOC)
- International Telecommunication Union (ITU-T)
- International Organization of Standardization (ISO)