



Information security

- **2 kinds of machines**

- Standalone
- Networked

- **2 kinds of data**

- Machine generated (sensors, DB) security=reliability
- Human generated... The most dangerous ;-)

- **Different levels:**

1. Data level (ex.: hidden data, phishing, eavedropping, etc...)
2. Application level (ex.: virus, SQL injection)
3. Network level (ex.: network intrusion, DoS attack, etc...)

**Focus on human + network ...
Ethical hacking;-)**

reliability/security

- Specification S, program P
- Question: does P satisfy S?
- A simple example: bank account
- Joined account a - add x and y

P1		P2
get a from db;		get a from db;
a=a+x;		a=a+y;
update db with a;		update db with a;

What is the final value of a?



Reliability's properties

- **Soundness (the program does the job)**
- **Mutual exclusion (data consistency)**
- **Fairness (access for everybody)**
- **No infinite loop**
- **Etc...**
- **Solutions:**
 - Proof methods (Hoare, Milner)
 - Other programming languages (Prolog, CAML, ...)
 - Specifications methods (Z, B, UML, LOTOS)



What do we need

■ Data: (ex. : my CV)

- Confidentiality
- Authenticity
- Continuity (backup)
- Consistency (database)

■ Applications: (ex.: Moodle)

- Smoothness/crash
- 24/24 availability

■ Network: (ex. : wifi)

- Confidentiality
- Smoothness
- 24/24 availability



Main threats

- **Data destroyed/stolen (human, virus/spyware)**
- **Eavesdropping (keyloggers)**
- **Spamming: unsolicited emails**
(<http://interstices.info/anti-spam>)
- **Phishing: getting private data just by asking ;-)**
- **Sniffing (network) -> see eavesdropping**
- **Spoofing (IP usurpation)**
- **DoS/DDoS: destroying a service**
- **Network intrusion**
- **Etc...**



Virus, Worn, Trojan

- **Classical pb (see example of code)**
- **No « ideal » solutions**
- **Polymorphic/metamorphic virus ;-)**
- **Anti-virus (signature based)**
- **Commercial**
 - Mac Afee – Symantec – etc...
- **Free :**
 - F-prot – Avast
- **Conclusion:**
 - Option 1 : Set up an anti-virus + update
 - Option 2 : Switch to Linux;-)



Keyloggers

- **Client machine side (hardware or software)**
- **Initially to fight internal threat**
- **Capture the keys using IRQ (see the general algo)**
- **Capture passwords, email addresses, web addresses**
- **Difficult to detect (process table, key logger detection)**
- **How to detect/remove/avoid:**
 - Microsoft Antispyware, Ad-Aware, etc...
 - Avoid accessing your online accounts from public computers
 - Basic tips for entering the data (explain)
 - Home/workplace: log out when leaving ;-)
 - Server side: virtual keyboards (ex. Citibank UK), random sequence (Natwest)
 - Future: bio-metric authentication (fingerprint) !



SPAM

http://interstices.info/jcms/c_41867/spams-et-hams-et-comment-les-filtrer

- **Unsolicited commercial emails**
- **Mail functional diagram:**
 - Mail Transfer Agent (sendmail, postfix, etc...)
 - Mail Retrieval Agent (Outlook, Thunderbird, Eudora, etc...)
- **Solutions: filtering**
 - Bayesian
 - K-nn
 - Kolmogorov
- **Location:**
 - Server side (MTA) (Spamassassin, Mailfilter, etc...)
 - Client side (MRA) (check out with Outlook, Thunderbird, etc...)
- **Future : SPIT ;-))) (with VoIP)**



Hidden data

■ 1) Entire files

- Ex.: dot files with UNIX/Linux
- System files with Windows: boot.ini, etc...
- Virus, Trojan, etc... (executables can only be seen in the process table)

■ 2) Data hidden within a file

- Watermarking
- Digital signature (PDF files)
- MSWord hidden data (see .doc file size versus .sxw)

Very difficult to detect ! See next slide ;-)

Alternate Data Streams

- Coming from Apple FS (Hierarchical FS)
- 1 file = 2 data streams
 - 1 stream for info
 - 1 stream for data
- Special name: `parentfile:filename`
- Create/delete/execute (to be done on the fly)
- Ex. With XP (file injection)
 - `cd /Windows/System32`
 - `'dir calc.exe'` and check the info
 - Create a txt file: `'echo « welcome » > ads.txt'`
 - `'type ads.txt'` to check the content
 - `'type ads.txt > calc.exe:ads.txt' ... Done`
 - Check with `'dir calc.exe'` then `'type calc.exe:ads.txt'`

Execute ADS :-)

- **See** <http://support.microsoft.com/default.aspx?scid=kb;EN-US;q101353>

- See <http://www.cknow.com/cms/vtutor/ntfs-ads-viruses.html>

C: (go to the root of the disk)

Echo welcome > test.txt

Type notepad.exe > test.txt:ads.exe

Start [c:\test.txt:ads.exe](#) ! ! ! !

- **Using regedit, make it executable at boot time :-)**

- HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\Software\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Run
- Add new key with the full path!

- **Undetectable with the process table (name of the parent file) – can be seen with dir /r (Win7)**

- **Cannot be deleted (parent file only)**

- **Tools: lads.exe (<http://www.heysoft.de>)**

- **No detection with classical anti-virus**

- **No real protection (except Unix FS :-)**

Data encryption

- Data encryption to ensure confidentiality
- $D \rightarrow E(D) \rightarrow \text{send}(E(D))$
- $\text{Receive}(E(D)) \rightarrow E^{-1}(E(D)) = D$
- Main difficulty: E (encryption)
- E properties:
 - Fast
 - Not easy to get E^{-1} starting from $E(D_1)$, $E(D_2)$, $E(D_3)$,...
 - Legal issues (PGP – Phil Zimmerman)
- No need to decrypt: **hash function** to explain
 - <http://pajhome.org.uk/crypt/md5/> to check online
 - www.functions-online.com

Using keys

- **2 types:**
 - Symmetric (secret key)
 - Asymmetric
- **Symmetric encryption = confidentiality**
 - One shared key for encryption (a number or word)
 - The same one for decryption
 - Ex. DES (64bits) then AES (128,256, 512...)
 - +: simple, fast
 - -: to keep the key secret....
- **Asymmetric encryption (Rivest,Shamir,Adleman = RSA) = confidentiality + authentication**
 - A public key (a number) to encrypt
 - A secret key (a number) to decrypt
 - Sender A uses PK of B to encrypt – B uses SK of B to decrypt
 - Sender A can sign SK A – B uses PK of A to check the sender
 - +: safe
 - -: slow because complex, PKI needed, not suitable for VoIP



Authentication

- **The problem: to be sure of the sender (man-in-the-middle attack)**
- **Electronic signature = certificates**
- **Trusted organisations delivering certificates (limited validity, can be expensive)**
 - **VeriSign, Thawte (commercial)**
 - **CAcert.org (free)**



PKI

- **PKI=Public Key Infrastructure**
- **Main purpose:**
 - a place to store your public key
 - a way to ensure this is your's (authentication)
- **Pb: how to be sure this key is your public key?**
 - Certificate needed from trusted third party: Certificate Authority (CA)
 - Public key
 - Name
 - Life time or validity period
- **Ex.: Verisign, Thawtes, ...**
- **Self certification: ex. IRIT, BITE, (to check live;-)**



Cryptographic protocols

- **SSL: Secure Sockets Layer (Netscape)**
- **TLS coming from SSL (standard now)**
- **Main ideas:**
 - Handshake procedure to
 - Agree on encryption algo (cypher + hash)
 - Get (check) server ident. + certif. + PK
 - Generation of the session keys
 - After successful handshake, all data are encrypted
- **TLS can be used with any appli. protocols (HTTP, FTP, SMTP, etc...)**
 - Same protocol
 - Different ports ex. smtp -> 25 but secure-smtp ->465
- **Support from Visa, AMEX, CB**



A famous example: HTTPS

- **HTTPS=HTTP + SSL (see bottom right of the screen with BITE webmail, bank)**
- **Dedicated port: 443 (instead of 80)**
- **Ex.: Apache server**
 - Configuration file: `httpd.conf` or `apache.conf`
 - Secure server: `ssl.conf` (TBD)



Another example: PGP

- **Paul Zimmermann - 1991**
- **Pretty good privacy**
- **No known vulnerability**
- **Freely available to:**
 - Create your keys
 - Create your certificate
 - Encrypt your emails
- **Now zfone for VoIP**



Network intrusion

■ Examples

- DoS
- Port scanning
- Network monitoring

■ Objectives

- Malicious activities
- Computer crack

■ Solutions

- Ethical hacking
- Firewalling
- Network intrusion system

A simple example

- **Avoid search engine indexing**

- **Meta-tag:**

- `<meta name="robots" content="noindex,nofollow" />`

- **Robots.txt file: robots exclusion protocol (show example)**

- **Target : web crawlers (search engines)**

- **Gentleman agreement only**

- Rely on cooperation between server/robot
 - No guarantee for privacy
 - Publicly available files

- **A simple example with nmap**

- `nmap -T Aggressive -P0 -A -v www.irit.fr`
 - `nmap -v -T4 -PN -A www.irit.fr`
 - we get the robots.txt file
 - we try one;-)



Network sniffing

- **Free available tools on the web (tbc)**
 - nmap, nessus, ethereal, wireshark, others...
- **Sniffing howto:**
 - Get all the IP packets
 - Analyse these IP packets
 - Do « bad » things
- **How to get all the packets:**
 - Passive method: promiscuous mode for NIC !
 - Active method: program !



Promiscuous mode

■ Ethernet/IP:

- Send your unique MAC+IP to network (media)
- **Normal** mode/unicast: NIC gets only the relevant packets
- **Multicast** mode: get the packets of my group
- **Promiscuous** mode : get all the packets !

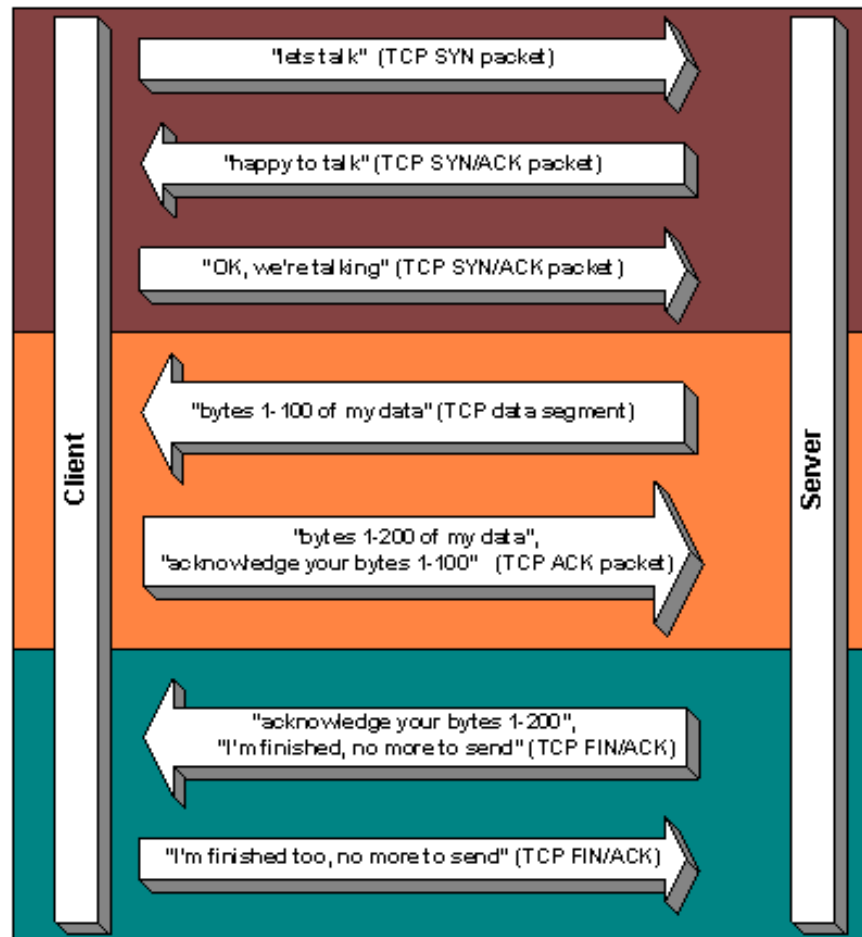
■ How to get/modify the mode

- Depending of the NIC
- Windows: control panel-network-choose the card-pick up properties-advanced-etc...
- Linux: `ifconfig eth0 -promisc`

■ Harm the network traffic

■ Very difficult to detect !

TCP/IP review





Wifi

- WEP (wireless equivalent privacy)
 - 1key to encode the data
 - Can be easily decrypted
- WPA (WPA2) (wifi protected access)
 - 1key first access
 - New generated key (1 per second)
- Best solution for now
 - WPA2 (support AES algo better than TKIP)
 - Maximum length for the key
 - dhcp filtering



Cracking tools

- aircsnort (<http://airsnort.shmoo.com/>)
- aircrack (<http://www.aircrack-ng.org/>)
- Main idea:
 - Collect data
 - For wep:specific algo
 - For WPA: brute force algo
 - For WPA2: not possible ...for now?
- DHCP filtering →
 - Interrupt the session
 - Get the MAC (media access control)



Firewall

- **Functional diagram (TBD)**
- **2 kinds:**
 - Hardware based (ex.: CISCO)
 - Software based (ex.: Linux IPTABLE, etc...)
- **Packet filtering:**
 - Static
 - Dynamic
- **Policy = set of rules**
 - Protect from tcp/ip attack, scan, probe
 - Protect from DoS
- **Basic policy: [here](#)**
- **VoIP aware firewalls**



Examples

■ Pix (CISCO)

■ IPTABLE (service iptables status)

- iptables -P INPUT DROP
- iptables -P OUTPUT DROP
- iptables -A INPUT -p tcp --sport 22 -j(ump) ACCEPT (for ssh)
- iptables -A INPUT -p udp --sport 22 -j ACCEPT

■ Block MSN Messenger ;-)

- iptables -A FORWARD -p tcp --dport 1863 -j DROP
- iptables -A FORWARD -d 65.54.239.142/25 -j DROP

■ Very difficult to get a secure firewall



LAMP/WAMP

- **Linux/Windows, Apache, MySQL, PHP**
- **2006: 43% of frauds with PHP (NIST)**
- **3 important files:**
 - httpd.conf for Apache
 - my.ini for MySQL
 - php.ini for PHP
- **+ the config file for Linux servers;-)**
- **Examples:**



Linux security

- **No virus...**
- **File system security**
 - A file/directory: u g o
 - Permissions: r w x
- **Process permissions**
 - Owner permission +
 - Setuid/setgid bit
- **Example: passwd command (explain)**
 - Setuid: `chmod u+s toto.exe`
 - Setgid: `chmod g+s toto.exe`
- **Huge security hole;-)**



Conclusion

- **Security: hot topic**
- **Main holes: human errors!**
- **WIFI network... worse !**
- **Convergence (GPRS/GSM, etc...)**
- **SPIT ;-)**
- **Etc...**

The never ending story!



Do not forget!

The basic;-)

- **At least 2 external backup**
- **Backup : USB, DVD, etc...**
- **Partition main drive into A and B**
- **Backup on B**
- **Antivirus + antimalware up-to-date**
- **Check USB before plug in**
- **Non admin account login**
- **Wifi: WPA2 + DHCP filtering**