

Welcome to CS5321 Network Security - 2022/23 Sem 2 -

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Instructor Bio

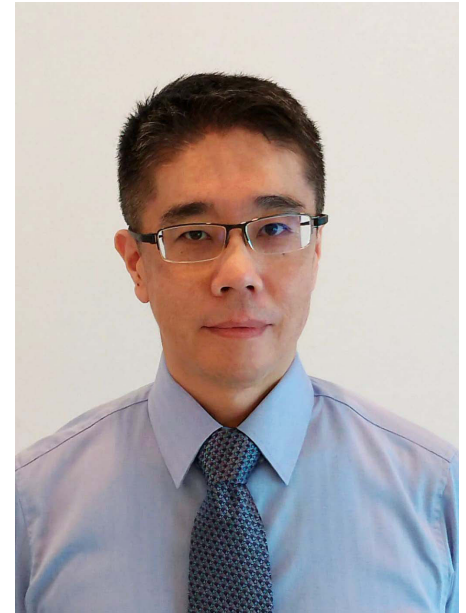
Experience

Principal Research Scientist at [Advanced Digital Sciences Center \(ADSC\)](#) and Research Affiliate at [University of Illinois](#)

- Research interest includes cybersecurity, cyber-physical systems security, critical infrastructure security, etc.

Formerly research scientist at [Fujitsu Laboratories of America](#)

- Smart energy and smart home IoT systems
- Security and privacy in smart metering
- OpenADR2.0 standardization



Education

PhD in Computer Science from [Georgia Institute of Technology \(USA\)](#) in 2012

- Security and privacy in Electronic Healthcare Records

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Why do we need Cybersecurity R&D?

Singapore firms fined \$75,000 for personal data lapses affecting over 600,000 people



New Research Shows Cyberattacks Affect Stock Prices

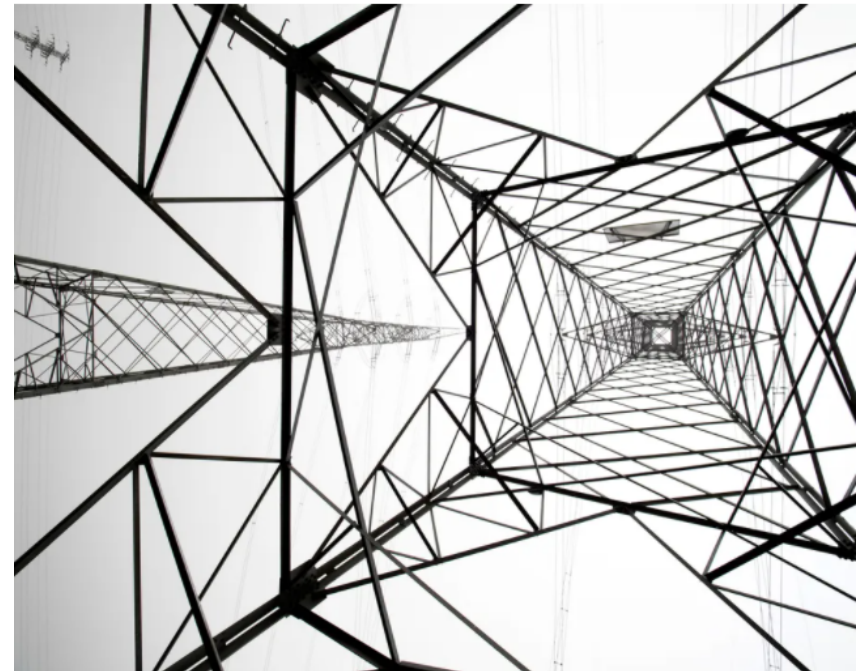
BY GILLIAN SWENY | MAY 5, 2021 | UNCATEGORIZED | 0 COMMENTS



Hacker

Inside the Cunning, Unprecedented Hack of Ukraine's Power Grid

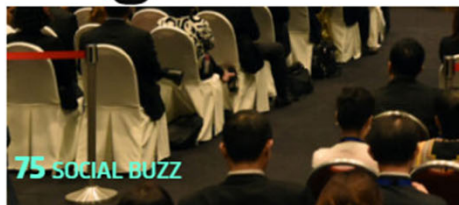
The hack on Ukraine's power grid was a first-of-its-kind attack that sets an ominous precedent for the security of power grids everywhere.



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Why do we want to study Cybersecurity?

Massive cybersecurity skills shortage in ASEA



By **Rebecca Oi** | 2 December, 2021

Wanted: Millions of cybersecurity pros. Salary: Whatever you want



By **Clare Duffy**, CNN Business

Updated 1948 GMT (0348 HKT) May 28, 2021

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APAC faces 2.1M shortage in cybersecurity professionals

Asia-Pacific region sees greatest growth in cybersecurity workforce, but still struggles to fill a gap of more than 2.16 million with 60% of organisations reporting a significant shortage in security staff, according to a study released by ISC2.



Written by **Eileen Yu**, Senior Contributing Editor
on Oct. 25, 2022

Learning outcomes

- This module aims to prepare undergrad/grad students for *research and development in network security* by studying basics and literature as well as investigating research problems in *network and distributed systems*.
- At the end of the module, students will be able to:
 - *understand* the *security challenges and opportunities* of various emerging network and distributed systems;
 - *critique* state-of-the-art *attack/defense mechanisms* and *identify* possible *gaps* that could be addressed by future work.

Administrative Issues (1)

- Class: Mon 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm
- Venue: LT18
- Online discussion: **Canvas** forum
- (Virtual) Office hour: on Tue-Thu at 6 pm – 7 pm
 - Make use of office hours for clarifications, course feedback, etc.
 - On **Zoom**
 - Make an appointment on the day before via email. Link will be provided.
- Physical Office: **CREATE Tower #14-02 in UTown**
 - Requires appointment in advance

Administrative Issues (2)

- Course slides
 - Final slides will be uploaded to **Canvas** after each lecture
 - Will provide a **draft** version before each lecture for preview.
- No required textbook
 - Suggested (optional) textbooks
 - “Introduction to Modern Cryptography” by Jonathan Katz and Yehuda Lindell
 - “Network Security: Private Communication in a Public World” by Kaufman, Perlman, and Speciner

Administrative Issues (3)

- Assessment/Grading
 - 2 take-home exams [50%]
 - Exam 1 (25%), Exam 2 (25%)
 - Quizzes [25%]
 - 6 online quizzes (bi-weekly) using **Canvas**
 - The lowest score (including 0) will be removed. Remaining 5 scores are averaged. Fraction is rounded up.
 - Mini Project [20%]
 - Individual work
 - Participation [5%]
 - Attendance (QR Code shown break time and after lecture)
 - In-class and forum discussion
 - Volunteer for in-class paper summary presentation

Administrative Issues (5)

- Policy on exams: if you *“have to miss”* exams, let me know *in advance with a proof* (e.g., military exercises, business travels)
 - We will provide a make-up exam (with similar difficulty)
- Policy on quizzes:
 - You can miss one quiz without any penalty; thus, no make-up quizzes
 - Missing two or more quizzes due to work?
 - This should be very unusual
 - If this happens, we can consider having a 7th quiz only for these people

Supplementary Readings

- For each week, research papers will be assigned.
 - Announced at or before the preceding lecture
 - 1 – 2 papers for each time
 - Haven't read research papers?
 - <https://web.stanford.edu/class/ee384m/Handouts/HowtoReadPaper.pdf>
 1. *Category*: What type of paper is this? A measurement paper? An analysis of an existing system? A description of a research prototype?
 2. *Context*: Which other papers is it related to? Which theoretical bases were used to analyze the problem?
 3. *Correctness*: Do the assumptions appear to be valid?
 4. *Contributions*: What are the paper's main contributions?
 5. *Clarity*: Is the paper well written?
- For Cybersecurity papers, you should pay attention to:
 - Attacker / Threat model
 - Security assumptions

Prerequisites

- **CS 3235** Computer Security
 - Students who didn't take the class but still are interested in taking the course may be able to enroll subject to **waiver approval**. Please consult Prof. Seth Gilbert (seth.gilbert@comp.nus.edu.sg)
- Basic knowledge
 - Computer networks; e.g., TCP/IP, routing, naming, Internet architecture.
 - Computer security; e.g., basic cryptography
- Basic cryptography will be covered in the first two lectures
- Domain knowledge will be covered in every lecture
- If you have concerns about this, please contact me immediately.

“Tentative” Course Schedule

Week	Date	Tentative Subject	Take-home Exams	Quiz	Project
1	09-01-2023	Course Intro + Basic Crypto			
2	16-01-2023	Basic Crypto			
	23-01-2023				
3	[CNY]	Authentication / Secure communication Basics		Quiz 1	Announced
4	30-01-2023	PKI Security			
5	06-02-2023	TCP/IP Security		Quiz 2	
6	13-02-2023	Honeypot and threat intelligence	Exam 1 Out		
Recess	20-02-2023				
7	27-02-2023	Routing Security	Exam 1 Due	Quiz 3	
8	06-03-2023	DoS Attacks			
9	13-03-2023	DNS Security		Quiz 4	
10	20-03-2023	Anonymous Communication			
11	27-03-2023	Anti-censorship		Quiz 5	
12	03-04-2023	Blockchain	Exam 2 Out		
13	10-04-2023	Selected Topic		Quiz 6	Due
Reading	17-04-2022		Exam 2 Due		
Exam	24-04-2022				

Questions?