CS-8843 Data and Network Security

Lecture 2

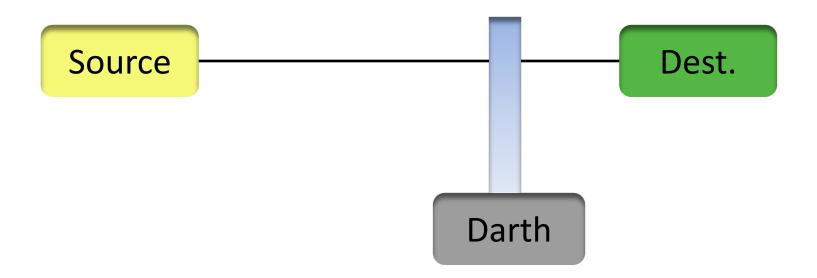
Attacks (for what?)

- Interruption: This is an attack on availability
- Interception: This is an attack on confidentiality
- Modification: This is an attack on integrity
- Fabrication: This is an attack on authenticity

Normal Flow

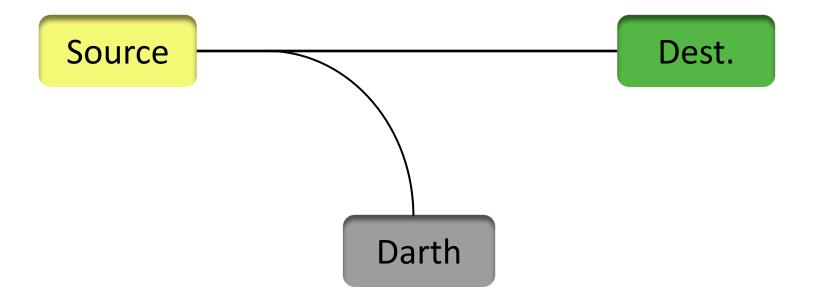
Source Dest.

Interruption



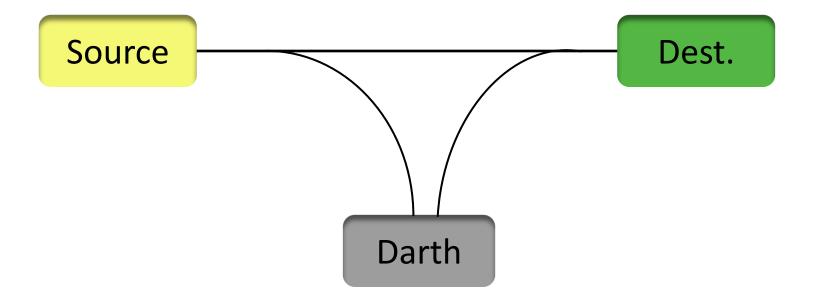
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Interception



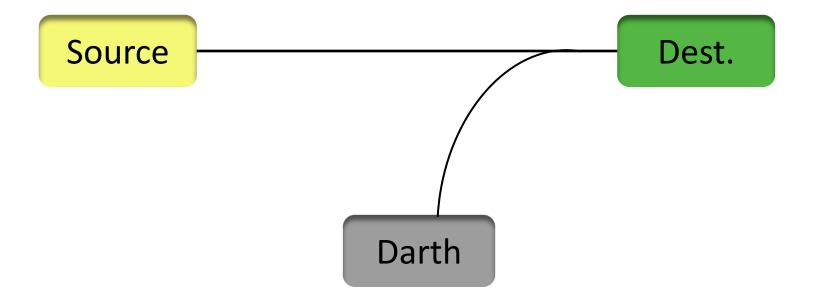
This is an attack on confidentiality

Modification



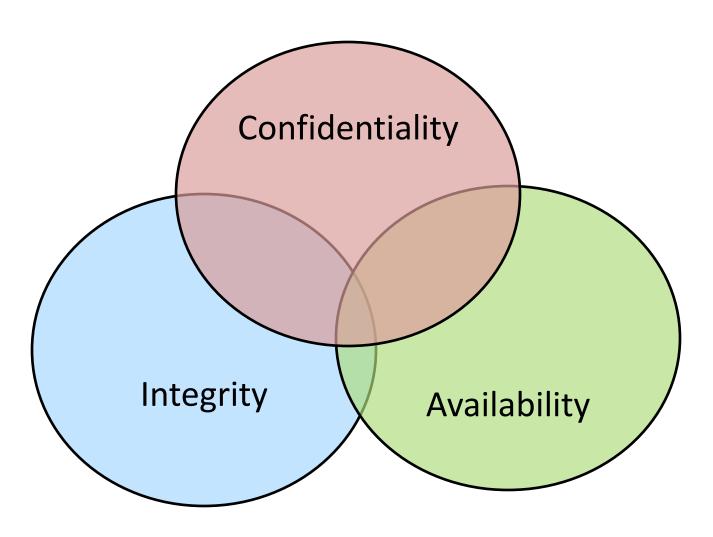
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Fabrication



This is an attack on authenticity

Security Goals



Types of Attacks

- Broadly, two Types of attacks
 - Passive attacks and Active Attacks

Passive attacks

- Attempts to learn or make use of information from system.
- Does not effect the system.
- Goal is to obtained the information that is being transmitted.
- Difficult to detect.
- Feasible to prevent (prevention rather then detection).

- Passive attacks (cont..)
 - Further divided into two type:

1. Release of message contents:

 e.g. Telephone conversation, attached file, email message.

2. Traffic analysis:

- If we can mask our communication.
- Still attacker can learn location and identification of hosts.
- Frequency and length of communication, helps to learn nature of communication.

Active Attacks

- Involves modification of data stream or creation of false stream.
- Divided into four types:

1. Replay

- Involves passive capture of data units
- And its subsequent retransmission to produce an unauthorized access.

Active Attacks (cont..)

2. Masquerade:

- One entity pretends to be another entity.
- Usually includes one from other active attacks.
 - e.g. authentication sequence captured and replayed to get unauthorized access privileges.

Active Attacks (cont..)

3. Modification of message:

- Some portion of a legitimate message is altered OR delayed OR re-ordered. To produce unauthorized effect.
 - e.g. Modify Allow Ali to read confidential file accounts to Allow Adnan to read confidential file accounts.

Active Attacks (cont..)

4. Denial of Service:

- Prevents normal use or management of communication facility.
- May have a specific target (e.g. security audit service).
- Another form is the disruption of an entire host or network.

Security Services

- Confidentiality (privacy)
- Authentication (who created or sent the data)
- Integrity (has not been altered)
- Non-repudiation (the order is final)
- Access control (prevent misuse of resources)
- Availability (permanence, non-erasure)
 - Denial of Service Attacks
 - Virus that deletes files

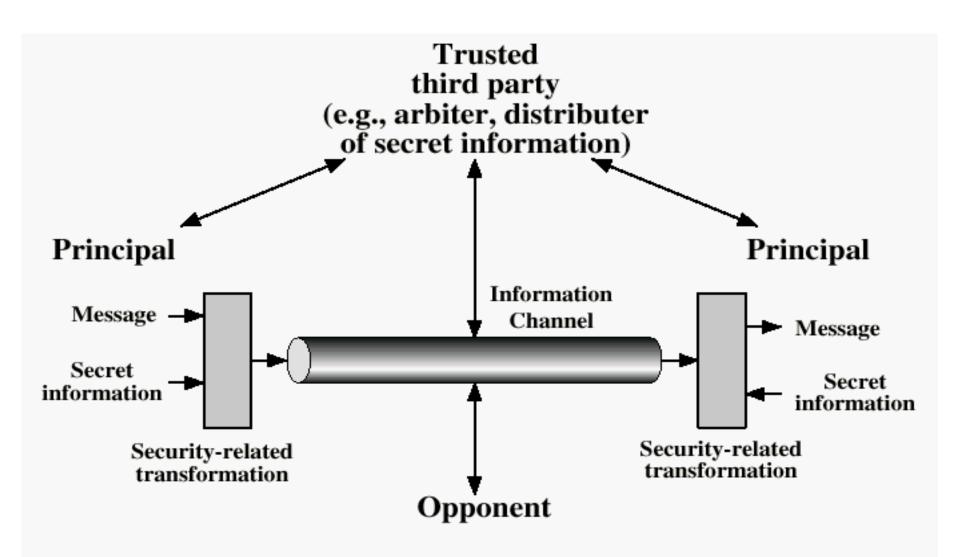


Figure 1.3 Model for Network Security

- This general model shows that there are four basic tasks in designing a particular security service:
 - 1. Design an algorithm for performing the security-related transformation. The algorithm should be such that an opponent cannot defeat its purpose.
 - 2. Generate the secret information to be used with the algorithm.
 - 3. Develop methods for the distribution and sharing of the secret information.
 - 4. Specify a protocol to be used by the two principals that makes use of the security algorithm and the secret information to achieve a particular security service.

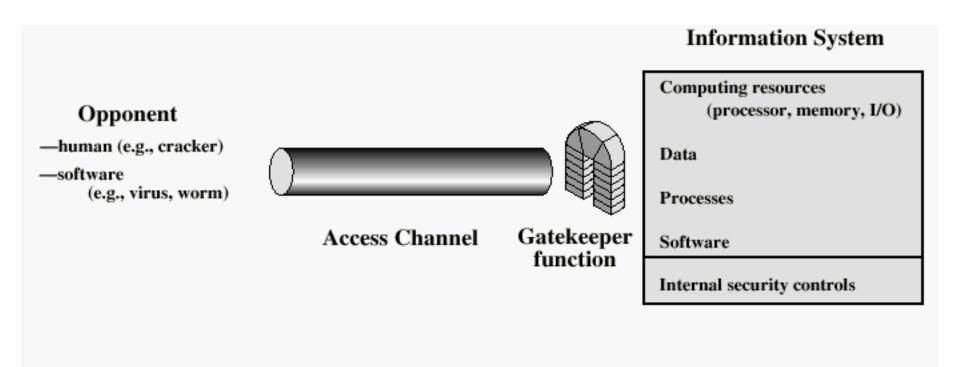
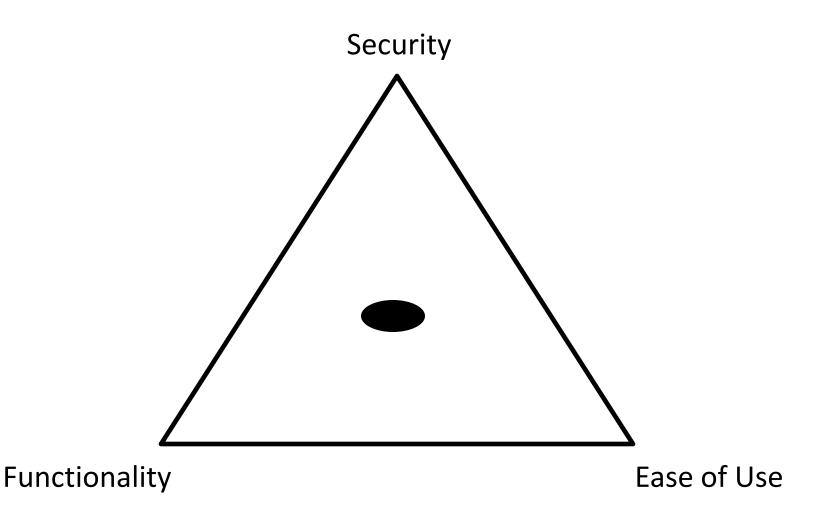


Figure 1.4 Network Access Security Model

Method of Defense

- Encryption
- Software Controls (access limitations in a data base, in operating system protect each user from other users)
- Hardware Controls (smartcard)
- Policies (frequent changes of passwords)
- Physical Controls

Security's impact on overall functionality



The End.