

# CS370 Notes

Week 1

## What is Computer Security

- an art: a science of protecting or securing computer systems.
- art: some parts of security are an art (mindset, ciphers)
- science: CS...
- Needed because of adversities.

## Security Notions

- Confidentiality: preventing unauthorized access to data.
- Privacy: preventing unauthorized access to data that concerns people.  
↳ also about what the user consents to share.

- Integrity: prevent unauthorized modifications to data, i.e. writes.

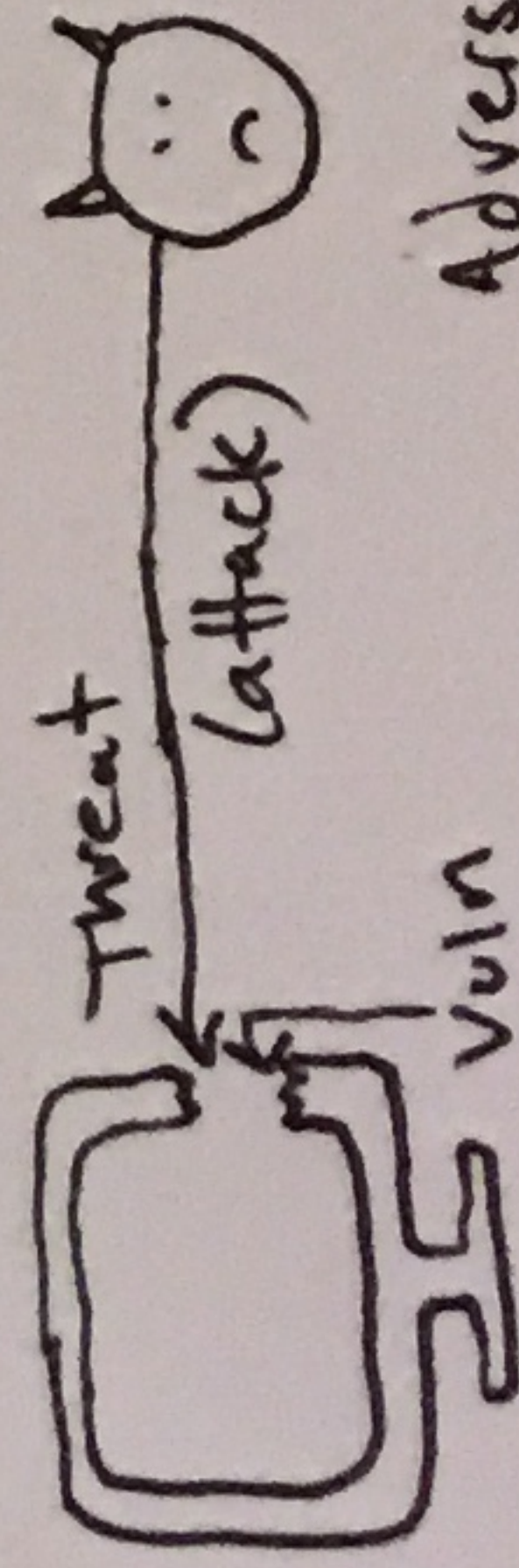
↳ authentication: "From Addr" = Origin

↳ System: Unauthorized mods to sys

- Availability: ensuring timely access to the target

- Authenticity: property of being genuine

- Accountability: the actions of an entity should be able to be traced to the source



Attack Surface

- reachable
- exploitable
- vulnerability

## Security Strategy

- Specification / Policy ←
- Implement Policy / How? ←
- Correctness / Assurance / Working?
- Incentives (correct on 1-3)

## Cyber Security Principles [10]

- Economy of Mechanism
- Fall safe (or to safe state)
- Complete Mediation (every access is checked)
- Open design (worse source ≠ source of sec)
- Separation of Privilege (2 or more keys)
- Least Privilege (min (priv))
- Least common Mechanism (No/low shared)
- Psychological Usability (UI)
- Work Factor
- Failure Recording

## Security Mechanisms

- Prevention (encryption)
- Detection
- Response
- Recovery