Network Security

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Introduction

 Communication networks being extensively used by a large number of users for various applications ☐ e.g., email, web browsing, Internet telephony, financial transactions However, malicious or hostile users seek to attack networks by: ☐ stealing secret information (e.g., passwords, credit card information), ☐ installing malware, disrupting communications, etc. Goals of the field of network security are to: understand how malicious users can attack networks, and design mechanisms for defending networks against such attacks Objective of this course is to provide a detailed exposure to this important field

Who will Benefit

• Students, faculty members, and industry practitioners in Electrical Engineering and Computer Science



Prerequisites

- An understanding of the basics of communication networking and programming will be helpful
 - □ required background from communication networking will be reviewed in this course

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Course Contents

- Review of Basics of Communication Networks
- Different Types of Attacks on Networks
- Mathematical Background for Cryptography
- Principles of Cryptography: Symmetric Key Cryptography and Public Key Cryptography
- Message Integrity, Cryptographic Hash Functions, and Digital Signatures
- Authentication
- Public Key Infrastructure, Certificates
- Securing Email
- Transport-Layer Security
- Network-Layer Security and Virtual Private Networks

Course Contents (contd.)

- Security in Wireless Local Area Networks
- Wireless Cellular Network Security
- Firewalls and Intrusion Detection Systems
- Cryptocurrencies and Blockchain
- Cloud Security
- Security of the Internet of Things (IoT), Hardware Security
- Anonymous Connections and Onion Routing
- Post-Quantum Cryptography



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