

CSEN 1001

Computer and Network Security

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Course Details

Week	Lectures	Tutorials
1	Intro + Classical Crypto	
2	Symmetric Encryption AES	PA1 Classical Cryptography
3	Modes of Encryption	Task 1 Classical Cryptanalysis
4	Public Key Cryptography + RSA	Introduction to Euler Sieve
5	Message Authentication – part 1	PA2 RSA
6	Message Authentication – part 2	Task 2 Breaking RSA using Euler Sieve
7	Blockchains	PA3 Authentication
8	Key Management 1	Task 3 Intrusion Detection using ML
9	Key Management 2	PA4 Blockchains
10	User Authentication	Task 4 Certificate Authority
11	Elliptic Curve Cryptography	PA5 Key Management
12	Network Security/Software Security	PA6 Elliptic Curve Cryptography

Course Details

- Text books and lecture slides:

Authors: William Stallings and Lawrie Brown

Title: Computer Security, Principles and Practice, 2nd Edition

Publisher: Pearson Education, Inc., 2012

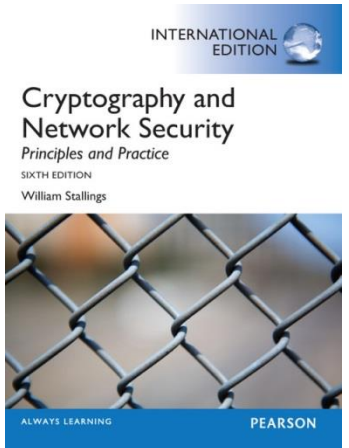
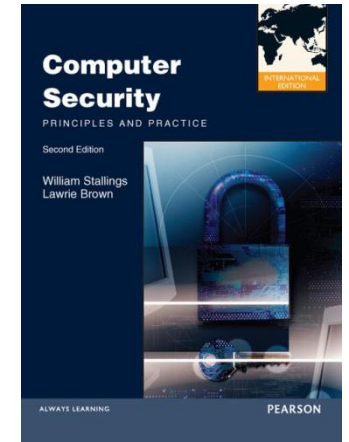
Author: William Stallings

Title: Cryptography and Network Security, 6th Edition

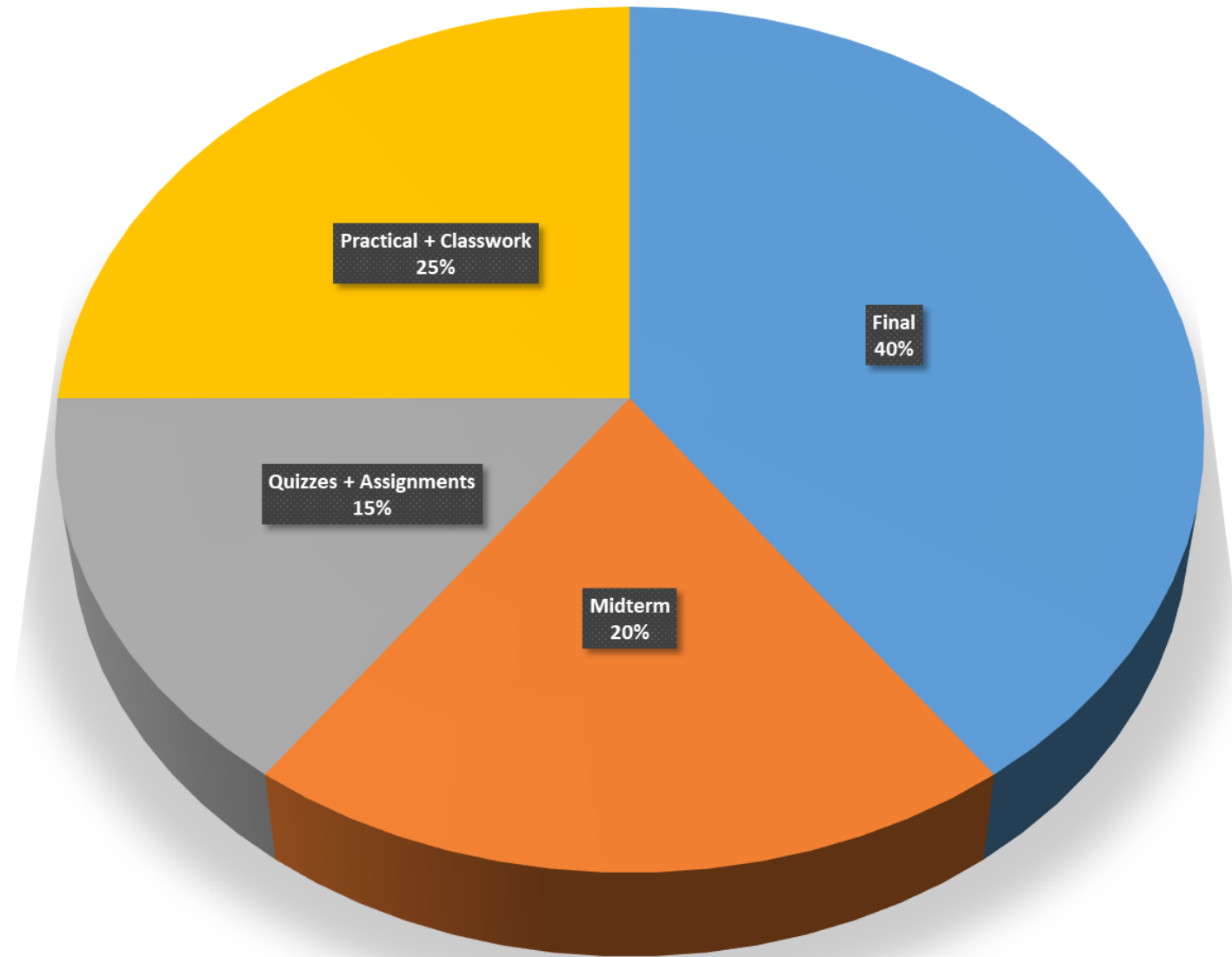
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- Note:

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Lecture (1)

Introduction and Key Security Concepts

Definitions

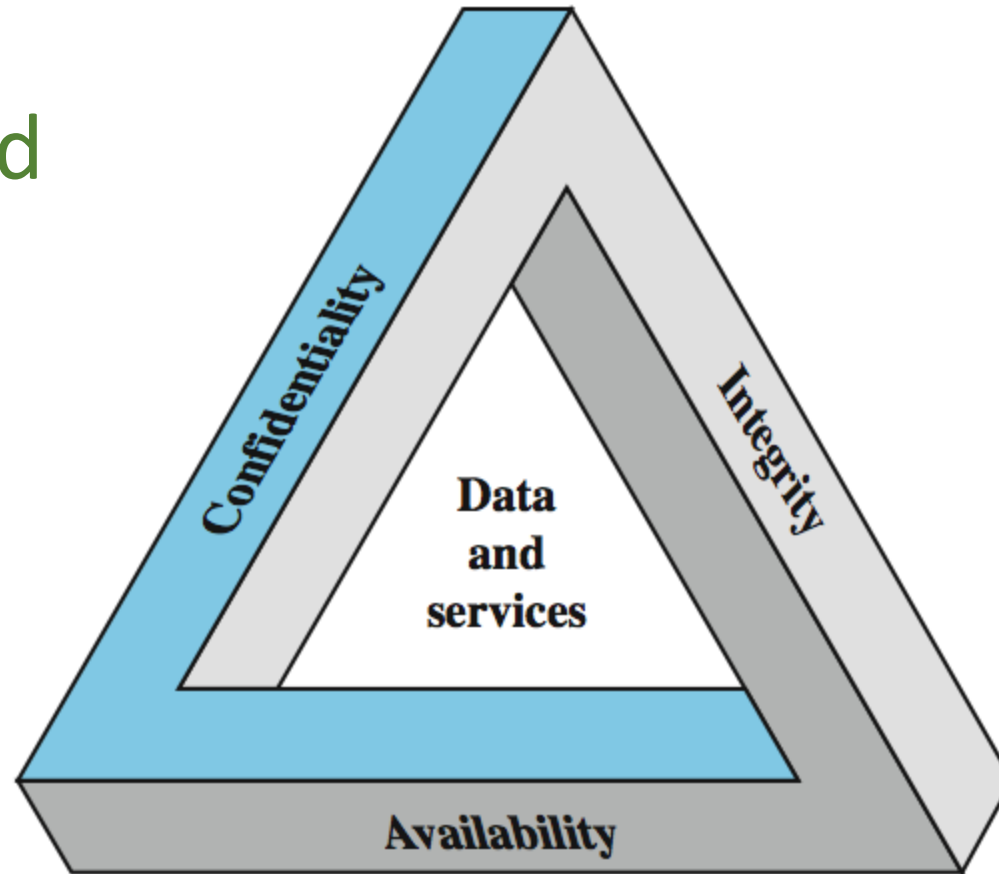
- The US-based National Institute for Standards and Technology (NIST) defines computer security as follows:

Definition (Computer Security)

[Computer security is] the protection afforded to an automated information system in order to attain the applicable objectives of preserving integrity, availability, and confidentiality of information system resources (includes hardware, software, firmware, information/data, and telecommunications)

Key Security Concepts

CIA Triad



Confidentiality



Confidentiality covers two concepts:

- ❑ **Data confidentiality:** Assures that **private or confidential information** is not made available or disclosed to **unauthorized individuals**
- ❑ **Privacy:** Assures that individuals **control or influence** what information related to them **may be collected and stored** and **by whom and to whom** that information may be disclosed

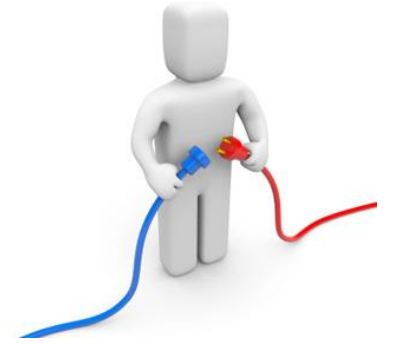
Integrity



Integrity as a security goal also covers two related concepts:

- ❑ **Data integrity:** Assures that **information and programs** are changed only in a **specified and authorized** manner
- ❑ **System integrity:** Assures that a **system performs its intended function** in an unimpaired manner, free from **deliberate or inadvertent unauthorized manipulation** of the system

Availability



Availability ensures that a **system works promptly** and service is **not denied to authorized users**. A loss of availability is the **disruption of access to or use of information** or an information system

Further Considerations



Some additional aspects are often mentioned:

❑ Authenticity:

- The property of being **genuine** and able to be **verified**
- **Confidence** in the **validity** of a transmission, **verifiability** of a message originator, inputs arriving from trusted sources
- **Verifiability** of a user's **identity**

❑ Accountability:

- Actions can be **uniquely traced** to their originator
- Essential for nonrepudiation, deterrence, fault isolation, intrusion detection, after action recovery, legal action
- Truly secure systems are **not achievable**, so **security breaches** must be **traceable**

Attacks on Communication Networks

We distinguish:

❑ Passive attacks

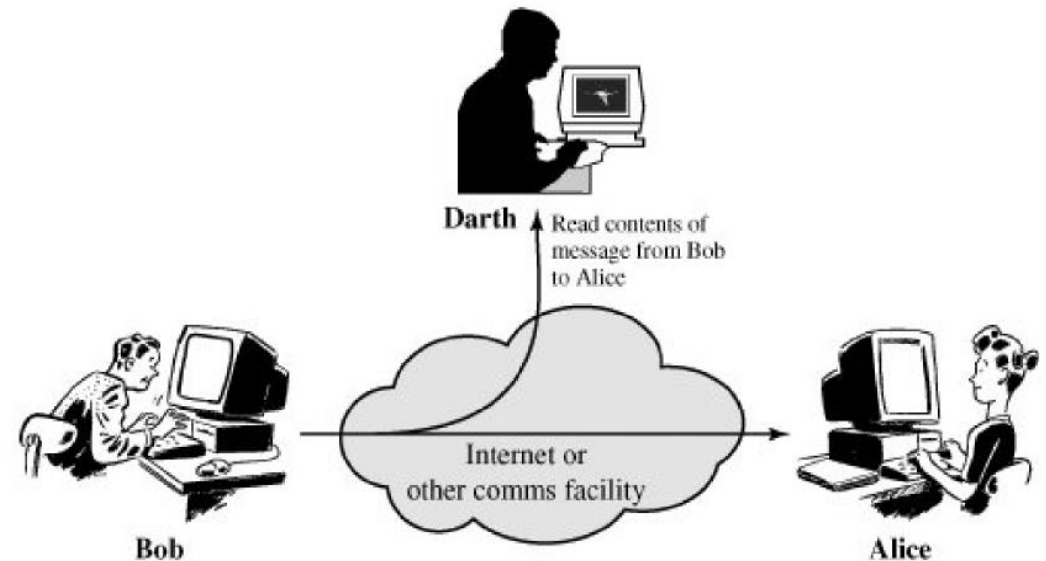
- Attempts to learn or make use of information from the system but **does not affect system resources**
- **Eavesdropping or monitoring** of transmissions

❑ Active attacks

- Attempts to **alter system resources** or affect their operation.

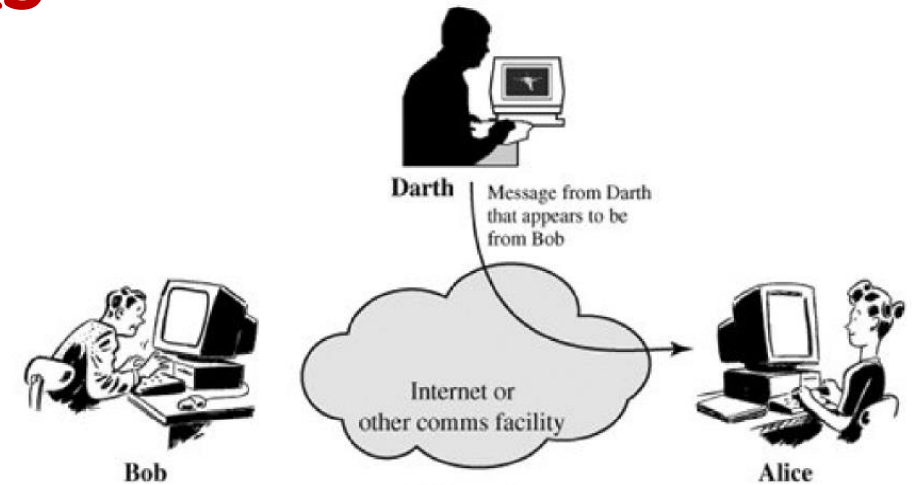
Passive Attacks

- ❑ Release of message contents / snooping
- ❑ Traffic analysis / spoofing
- ❑ Passive attacks are hard to detect!

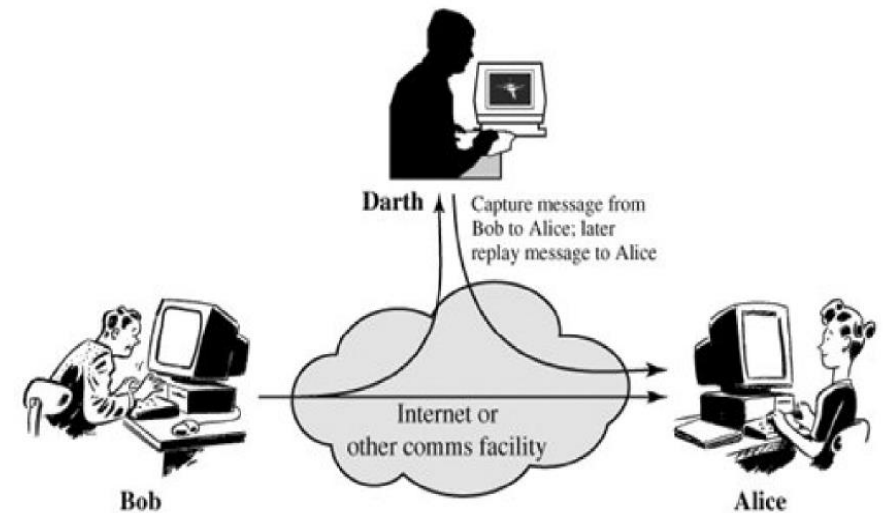


Active Attacks

□ **Masquerade:** One entity pretends to be a **different entity**

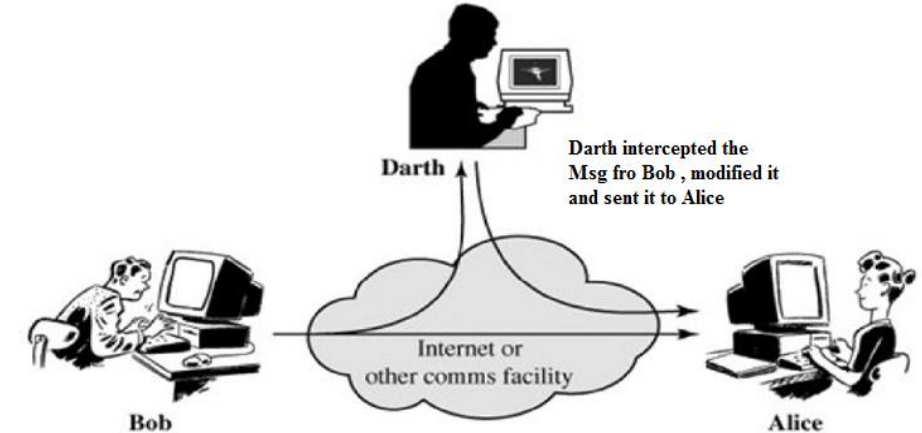


□ **Replay attack:** **Passive capture** of a data unit and its **subsequent retransmission** to produce an unauthorized effect

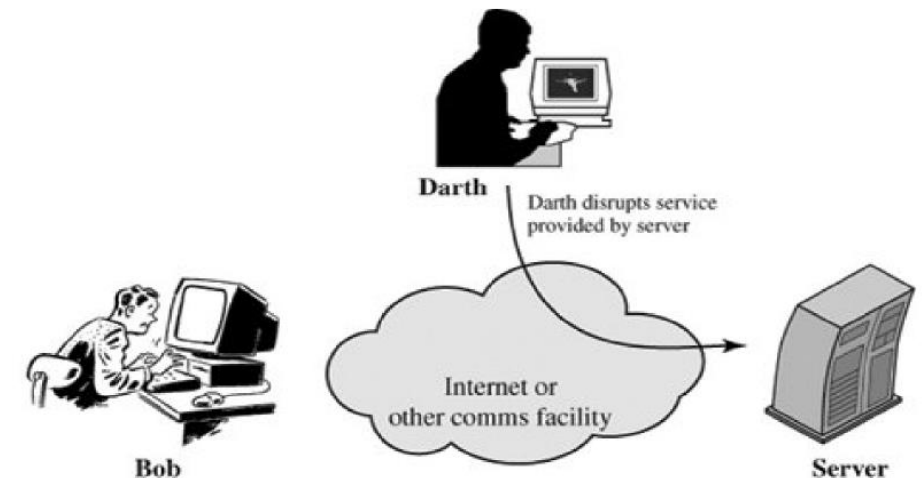


Active Attacks

❑ **Modification attack:** Some portion of a legitimate message is altered or messages are reordered to produce an unauthorized effect



❑ **Denial of service:** Prevents or inhibits the normal use or management of communications facilities



Security Services

AUTHENTICATION

The assurance that the communicating entity is the one that it claims to be.

Peer Entity Authentication

Used in association with a logical connection to provide confidence in the identity of the entities connected.

Data-Origin Authentication

In a connectionless transfer, provides assurance that the source of received data is as claimed.

ACCESS CONTROL

The prevention of unauthorized use of a resource (i.e., this service controls who can have access to a resource, under what conditions access can occur, and what those accessing the resource are allowed to do).

DATA CONFIDENTIALITY

The protection of data from unauthorized disclosure.

Connection Confidentiality

The protection of all user data on a connection.

Connectionless Confidentiality

The protection of all user data in a single data block

Selective-Field Confidentiality

The confidentiality of selected fields within the user data on a connection or in a single data block.

Traffic-Flow Confidentiality

The protection of the information that might be derived from observation of traffic flows.

DATA INTEGRITY

The assurance that data received are exactly as sent by an authorized entity (i.e., contain no modification, insertion, deletion, or replay).

Connection Integrity with Recovery

Provides for the integrity of all user data on a connection and detects any modification, insertion, deletion, or replay of any data within an entire data sequence, with recovery attempted.

Connection Integrity without Recovery

As above, but provides only detection without recovery.

Selective-Field Connection Integrity

Provides for the integrity of selected fields within the user data of a data block transferred over a connection and takes the form of determination of whether the selected fields have been modified, inserted, deleted, or replayed.

Connectionless Integrity

Provides for the integrity of a single connectionless data block and may take the form of detection of data modification. Additionally, a limited form of replay detection may be provided.

Selective-Field Connectionless Integrity

Provides for the integrity of selected fields within a single connectionless data block; takes the form of determination of whether the selected fields have been modified.

NONREPUDIATION

Provides protection against denial by one of the entities involved in a communication of having participated in all or part of the communication.

Nonrepudiation, Origin

Proof that the message was sent by the specified party.

Nonrepudiation, Destination

Proof that the message was received by the specified party.

Security Mechanisms

SPECIFIC SECURITY MECHANISMS

May be incorporated into the appropriate protocol layer in order to provide some of the OSI security services.

Encipherment

The use of mathematical algorithms to transform data into a form that is not readily intelligible. The transformation and subsequent recovery of the data depend on an algorithm and zero or more encryption keys.

Digital Signature

Data appended to, or a cryptographic transformation of, a data unit that allows a recipient of the data unit to prove the source and integrity of the data unit and protect against forgery (e.g., by the recipient).

Access Control

A variety of mechanisms that enforce access rights to resources.

Data Integrity

A variety of mechanisms used to assure the integrity of a data unit or stream of data units.

Authentication Exchange

A mechanism intended to ensure the identity of an entity by means of information exchange.

Traffic Padding

The insertion of bits into gaps in a data stream to frustrate traffic analysis attempts.

Routing Control

Enables selection of particular physically secure routes for certain data and allows routing changes, especially when a breach of security is suspected.

Notarization

The use of a trusted third party to assure certain properties of a data exchange.

PERVASIVE SECURITY MECHANISMS

Mechanisms that are not specific to any particular OSI security service or protocol layer.

Trusted Functionality

That which is perceived to be correct with respect to some criteria (e.g., as established by a security policy).

Security Label

The marking bound to a resource (which may be a data unit) that names or designates the security attributes of that resource.

Event Detection

Detection of security-relevant events.

Security Audit Trail

Data collected and potentially used to facilitate a security audit, which is an independent review and examination of system records and activities.

Security Recovery

Deals with requests from mechanisms, such as event handling and management functions, and takes recovery actions.