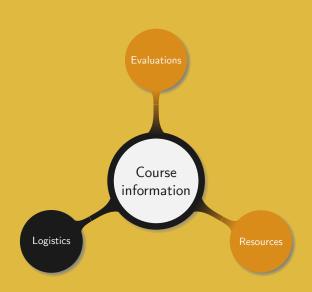


Introduction to Cryptography

0. Course information
Manuel – Summer 2021





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Course arrangements:

- Lectures:
 - Tuesday 14:00 15:40
 - Thursday 14:00 15:40
 - Friday 12:10 13:50 (even weeks)
- Office hours:
 - Anytime (Piazza)
 - On appointment (Zoom)

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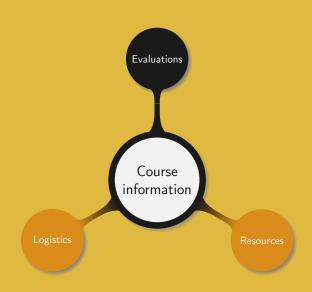
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 - 2 Relate known strategies to new problems
 - 3 Read and write some code

Detailed goals:

- Know the most common symmetric key cryptography protocols
- Know the most common public key cryptography protocols
- Understand the importance of true randomness in cryptography
- Understand the basics on hash functions in cryptography
- Know the various security levels and be able to derive their corresponding key length depending on the most efficient attacks available
- Know the basic algorithms to solve real life problems such as digital signatures, secret sharing, or traitor tracing
- Be able to perform basic programming in a cryptographic context, i.e. using large numbers or low level logical operations
- Get a high level overview of the various sub-fields of cryptography
- Understand the mathematics used in cryptography





Homework:

• Total: 10

• Content: basic concepts, coding, mathematics

Projects:

• Total: 2

Content: discover new areas of cryptology

Challenges:

• Total: 3

Content: code breaking

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 - Share ideas and understandings on the course
 - Provide hints on where or how to find information

Documents allowed during the exams:

- Part A: a mono or bilingual dictionary
- Part B:
 - The lecture slides with notes on them (paper or electronic)
 - A mono or bilingual dictionary

Group works:

- Every student in a group is responsible for his group's submission
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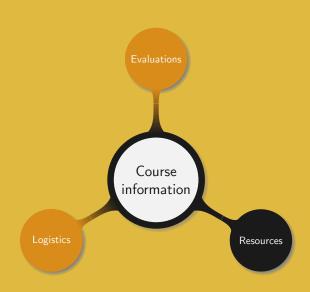
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Information and documents available on the Canvas platform:

- Course materials:
 - Syllabus
 - Lecture slides
 - Homework
- Course information:
 - Announcements
 - Notifications

- Projects
- Challenges

- Grades
- Polls



Useful places where to find information:

- Introduction to Modern Cryptography (J. Katz and Y. Lindell)
- Cryptography, theory and practice (D. Stinson)
- Search information online, i.e. $\{websites \setminus \{non-English \ websites\}\}$

- Work regularly, do not wait the last minute/day
- Respect the Honor Code
- Go beyond what is taught
- Do not learn, understand
- Keep in touch with us
- Advice and suggestions are always much appreciated



Thank you!