# CSE-C3400 Information security Examination 2015-10-09

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No electronic equipment or reference material is allowed in the examination.

# 1. Access control

Explain the meaning of the following terminology (max 15 words each):

- (a) Reference monitor
- (b) Covert channel
- (c) Bell-LaPadula \*-property
- (d) Chinese wall policy
- (e) Access token (in Windows processes)
- (f) SUID bit (in Linux file system)

### 2. Payment systems

Explain the technical reasons for the following:

- (a) Static data authentication (SDA) as payment-card authentication method is not considered secure, and Finnish banks require dynamic data authentication (DDA) to be used.
- (b) The idea of contactless payment is to make the transactions really fast and smooth: the card holder just taps the NFC-enabled payment terminal with the payment card. Nevertheless, the terminals must have a PIN pad.
- (c) If Bitcoin replaces all or most of the world's currencies, deflation is inevitable.

(Background information: Deflation is defined as a decrease in the general price level of goods and services. Note that the European Central Bank currently sees deflation as one of the biggest threats to economy. Advocates of Bitcoin or gold standard naturally disagree.)

#### 3. Authentication

A mechanical combination lock has 3 to 6 wheels, each with digits 0–9. In order to open the lock, one needs to align the right numbers on one line.

- a) What is the entropy of the secret key information for 3-wheel and 6-wheel locks? Give an approximate numerical answer including the unit.
- b) The mechanical combination locks are replaced with a new electronic lock, which has a PIN pad and a connection to a backend server. You are asked to help designing the new lock system. How can the security of the electronic lock be improved compared to the mechanical one?





Notes for part (b): You do *not* need to consider mechanical or software flaws in your answer. There are many potential improvements, and you need to cover many of most significant ones for full points.

Please turn the paper for the remaining parts of the examination.

# 4. Threat analysis

Theater and concert tickets can be bought in an online shop and printed at home. The most important part of the ticket is a bar code or a short text code. At the entrance to the event, this code is scanned electronically by the security personnel. The ticket has the buyer's name on it, but it is acceptable to give the ticket to another person. Analyze the threats against such tickets.



# 5. X.509 PKI

The certificate chain below (see the third page) was received by a web browser from gmail. It has been pretty-printed with the *openssl* tool. Explain in detail how the web browser checks the certificate chain and how it is used to authenticate the web site in SSL or TLS. Please refer to the specific certificate fields in your answer. For clarity, refer to the three certificates as C1, C2 and C3.

(Note: You do not need to write out the messages of the SSL/TLS handshake.)

Certificate C1: keyid:C0:7A:98:68:8D:89:FB:AB:05:64:0C:11:7D:AA:7D:65:B Data: 8:CA:CC:4E Version: 3 (0x2) Serial Number: 5034357460863282341 X509v3 Subject Key Identifier: (0x45dda16fff17eca5) Signature Algorithm: sha256WithRSAEncryption 4A:DD:06:16:1B:BC:F6:68:B5:76:F5:81:B6:BB:62:1A:BA:5A:8 Issuer: C=US, O=Google Inc, CN=Google Internet Authority G2 X509v3 Key Usage: critical Validity Certificate Sign, CRL Sign Not Before: Oct 7 11:10:51 2015 GMT Authority Information Access: Not After : Jan 5 00:00:00 2016 GMT OCSP - URI:http://g.symcd.com Subject: C=US, ST=California, L=Mountain View, O=Google Inc, CN=mail.google.com X509v3 Basic Constraints: critical Subject Public Key Info: CA:TRUE, pathlen:0 Public Key Algorithm: rsaEncryption X509v3 CRL Distribution Points: Public-Key: (2048 bit) Modulus: 00:96:db:37:d0:56:cf:f9:ld:76:74:eb:f3:b1:ed: Full Name: ...many more bytes... URI:http://g.symcb.com/crls/gtglobal.crl 01:db Exponent: 65537 (0x10001) X509v3 extensions: X509v3 Certificate Policies: Policy: 1.3.6.1.4.1.11129.2.5.1 X509v3 Extended Key Usage: TLS Web Server Authentication, TLS Web Signature Algorithm: sha256WithRSAEncryption Client Authentication X509v3 Subject Alternative Name: aa:fa:a9:20:cd:6a:67:83:ed:5e:d4:7e:de:1d:c4:7f: DNS:mail.google.com, ...many more bytes ... DNS:inbox.google.com 7e:c8:35:d8 Authority Information Access: CA Issuers -URI:http://pki.google.com/GIAG2.crt Certificate C3: Data: OCSP -URI:http://clientsl.google.com/ocsp Version: 3 (0x2)Serial Number: 1227750 (0x12bbe6) Signature Algorithm: shalWithRSAEncryption X509v3 Subject Key Identifier: Issuer: C=US, O=Equifax, OU=Equifax Secure Certificate Authority 37:DB:18:BA:07:20:3C:DA:A6:B1:9F:C2:5C:4C:6C:85:7C:B2:6 Validity B: E0 Not Before: May 21 04:00:00 2002 GMT X509v3 Basic Constraints: critical Not After : Aug 21 04:00:00 2018 GMT CA: FALSE Subject: C=US, O=GeoTrust Inc., CN=GeoTrust X509v3 Authority Key Identifier: Global CA keyid:4A:DD:06:16:1B:BC:F6:68:B5:76:F5:81:B6:BB:62:1A:B Subject Public Key Info: Public Key Algorithm: rsaEncryption A:5A:81:2F Public-Key: (2048 bit) Modulus: X509v3 Certificate Policies: Policy: 1.3.6.1.4.1.11129.2.5.1 Policy: 2.23.140.1.2.2 00:da:cc:18:63:30:fd:f4:17:23:1a:56:7e:5b:df: ...many more bytes... X509v3 CRL Distribution Points: e4:f9 Exponent: 65537 (0x10001) X509v3 extensions: Full Name: URI:http://pki.google.com/GIAG2.crl X509v3 Authority Key Identifier: Signature Algorithm: sha256WithRSAEncryption keyid:48:E6:68:F9:2B:D2:B2:95:D7:47:D8:23:20:10:4F:33:9 8:90:9F:D4 64:be:a0:00:54:57:c3:32:0f:c0:3e:63:19:e4:b4:96:56:8b: X509v3 Subject Key Identifier: ea:66:98:96:38:47:f5:85:cd:cf:da:25:19:a7:ba:5b: C0:7A:98:68:8D:89:FB:AB:05:64:0C:11:7D:AA:7D:65:B8:CA: ...many more bytes... 8c:e8:ad:b9:21:67:ed:85:45:8a:a1:94:5d:04 C:4E X509v3 Basic Constraints: critical CA: TRUE Certificate C2: X509v3 Key Usage: critical Data: Version: 3 (0x2) Certificate Sign, CRL Sign Serial Number: 146051 (0x23a83) X509v3 CRL Distribution Points: Signature Algorithm: sha256WithRSAEncryption Issuer: C=US, O=GeoTrust Inc., CN=GeoTrust Full Name: Global CA URI:http://crl.geotrust.com/crls/secureca.crl Validity Not Before: Apr 5 15:15:56 2013 GMT X509v3 Certificate Policies: Not After : Dec 31 23:59:59 2016 GMT Policy: X509v3 Any Policy Subject: C=US, O=Google Inc, CN=Google Internet Authority G2 CPS: Subject Public Key Info: https://www.geotrust.com/resources/repository Public Key Algorithm: rsaEncryption Public-Key: (2048 bit) Signature Algorithm: shalWithRSAEncryption Modulus: 76:e1:12:6e:4e:4b:16:12:86:30:06:b2:81:08:cf:f0: 00:9c:2a:04:77:5c:d8:50:91:3a:06:a3:82:e0:d8: ...many more bytes ... ...many more bytes... 3f:12 72:69

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X509v3 Authority Key Identifier:

X509v3 extensions: