### Information Security Identification and authentication

### **Advanced User Authentication III**

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# Agenda for lecture II within this part of the course

#### Background

Statistics in user authentication	Statistics
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Riometric systems	Generic biometric systems
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Tokens	Multibiometrics
	Security threats√
	Attacks

A. Jain, A. Ross and K. Nandakumar, Chapters 1, 6 & 7 in "Introduction to Biometrics"

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Background

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Biometric systems Tokens Attacks Multibiometrics Fingerprints Iris Face etc Attacks on tokens

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Ross Anderson, Security Engineering, Chapter 16





#### Generic biometric system: Building blocks





LfJ feet

#### Types of adversary attacks

- A: User-biometric system interface
- B: Biometric system modules
- C: Interconnections betweeen biometric modules
- D: Templates database

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E: Attacks through insiders (admin or enrolled users)



**Biometric System** 



#### Attacks at the user interface: Obfuscation



(a)

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(b)



(c)

#### Attacks at the user interface: Spoofing



(a)



LiU







#### Attacks on the template database

- Gain unauthorized access/Deny access to legitimate users
- Leakage: Stored biometric templates available to adversaries
  - Password-based authentication: Hashed, minor problem
  - Biometrics based: Major problem
    - Biometrics not always secret
    - Physical link user/biometric trait



#### Attacks on the template database: Leakage

- Obtain biometric & biographic info about large number of users
- Reverse engineer template: Physical spoof
- Replay attack
- Compromised biometric traits: Not possible to replace
- Undermines privacy

#### **Multibiometrics**





#### Multibiometrics: Why?

- More unique (than single)
- Compensate noise, imprecision, inherent drift
- Redundancy
- Fault-tolerance
- Flexibility
- Increase resistance to spoofing
- But: Expensive Tradeoff cost/benefits

#### Multi-modal systems

- Use two or more different biometric features AND or OR requirements for each feature AND increases accuracy and thus protects against false acceptance
- OR opens more options and thus protects against too much false rejection
- OR is necessary in order to accommodate for physical handicaps

#### Multiple methods

Use of two or three of the basic categories (what you "know", "hold" and "are").

Thus use of something you know or hold in addition to biometrics (or just something you know and something you hold)

Examples:

PIN + card

Fingerprints + card with fingerprint template











#### GunVault Speedvault Biometric Pistol Safe SVB500

A unique design that really works! It is a safe that will stop kids and honest adults from getting the gun while keeping it ready to use if needed, but it is not designed to stop a determined attack.

"... they use a person's fingerprint to open the safe"

"Since no two people have the same fingerprint pattern, the system is a hundred percent effective" Fingerprints - history

Already in ancient times fingerprints were used to denote authorship or identity

- In 1823 a Czech physician classified fingerprint patterns into nine basic types
- Sir Francis Galton (late 19th century): Fingerprints do not change over lifetime and that no two fingerprints are exactly alike

#### **Fingerprints - history**

- In 1901 fingerprints were introduced for criminal identification in England and Wales
- The first fingerprint scanners were introduced more than 30 years ago





AFIS installation at Michigan State Police facility. This system was first installed in 1989; the database has 3.2 million tenprint cards and performs 700,000 searches each year



**Example: Fingerprints** 

Known and used with formal classification since 19th century.

Cheap readers that are easy to handle

High uniqueness

Fairly easy to make copies



#### **Fingerprints - characteristics**

Papillary lines - ridges - valleys









#### 3 levels of fingerprint features



**Fig. 2.5** Features at three different levels in a fingerprint. (a) Grayscale image (NIST SD30, A067\_11), (b) Level 1 feature (orientation field or ridge flow and singular points), (c) Level 2 feature (ridge skeleton), and (d) Level 3 features (ridge contour, pore, and dot).





Template minutiae



#### **Fingerprints -scanners**

Optical scanner Solid-state scanner (capacitive sensors) Ultrasound scanner



#### Fingerprints – scanners

Good accuracy Used for both identification and verification Low cost Problem when skin is too dry or too wet Problem with dirt



#### Fingerprints - scanners

#### Touch (area) sensor

Quickly becomes dirtyProblem with latent printsRotation problemsArea vs cost

#### Sweep

- Reduced cost
- No dirt or latent prints
- Longer learning time

Reconstruction of the image is time consuming





#### Fingerprints - attacks

Making a user cooperate using force or drugs Using latent fingerprints Artificial fingerprint



#### Gummy fingers







Making an Artificial Finger directly from a Live Finger

#### **Preparation of material**

A liquid in which immersed gelatin at 50 wt.%.



Add boiling water (30cc) to solid gelatin (30g) in a bottle and mix up them.

It takes around 20 minutes.

Yokohama Nat. Univ. Matsumoto Laboratory



#### Gummy fingers results

<b>Real fingerprints</b>	User 1	User 2	User 3
Reader 1	98%	100%	94%
Reader 2	100%	100%	100%
Reader 3	98%	34%	88%

Gummy fingerprint	User 1	User 2	User 3
copies			
Reader 1	98%	92%	100%
Reader 2	98%	100%	96%
Reader 3	92%	12%	82%



#### Fingerprint - liveness 1

Skin deformation Pores Perspiration





#### Fingerprint - liveness 2

Temperature Optical properties Pulse Blood pressure Electric resistance Detection under epidermis





#### Example: Iris

Can be captured from a distance

Monochrome camera with visible and near infra red light

Unique, two eyes and distinguish twins

Liveness detection

Experienced as intrusive





#### Disadvantages?



"Why the news on iris-recognition in cash machines started an ailien invasion"



# Iris – or actually the rich texture from images of iris

The mesh consists of characteristics such as striations, rings, furrows, etc, giving the iris a unique pattern

Don't change with age Can be captured from up to one meter

Ocular region of the human face



#### Iris

Increased use since 1993

Algorithm patent 1994 by Dr. John Daugman used in all iris scanning systems today

Works even with glasses and contact lenses

Liveness is checked by using light to change the size of the pupil



NIR image

#### Iris

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No human iris experts



#### Iris - attacks

Contact lens with image Porcelain eye Photo of an eye



#### **Example: Face**

- A face image can be acquired using a normal, off-the-shelf camera
- Easy to accept by the public
- Cost is rather low
- Huge problems with permanence and accuracy



#### **Facial features**

Gross facial characteristics, eg general geometry of the face and global skin

Localized face information eg structure of face components or their relations





#### Face recognition algorithms

Global or feature-based approach

Feature-based

- standard points only
- not (too) sensitive to variation in position

Global

- process the entire face
- more accurate
- sensitive to variation in position and scale



#### Face - attacks

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Photo Using low uniqueness Masks or plastic surgery

False Reject Rate at a fixed False Accept Rate in the verification mode



#### **Example: Hand geometry**

Usually two views are taken, a top view and a side view.

The system is often bulky.

The hand geometry can change due to age and health conditions.

#### **Example: Voice**

- Speaker recognition uses a microphone to record the voice.
- Text dependent or text independent
- Your voice can vary with age, illness and emotions.
- Interesting with the increasing use of mobile phones.

#### Voice

Text dependent or text independent

Dependent

- The text is decided by the system
- Fixed or random
- Cooperation needed

Independent

- Any text can be used
- No cooperation needed
- Much harder

Voice - attacks

Recordings Computer generated voice



#### "Tokens"?





"Token" is normally used for any authentication device with processing capacity

Smart cards are a variant

RFID devices (Radio-frequency identification) (ePassports have them!)

Phones with SIM-cards are another example

(Ross Anderson, Security Engineering chapter 16)



#### Attacking what?

## Authentication tokens contain personal keys, which should not be easy to reveal

Loss can be crucial to owner, if the attacker is another person, but usually further use can be blocked

#### Even more important are **system keys**!!!

- System keys may protect data proving payment for services
- System keys may enable fabrication of false tokens

#### Hardware attacks

#### Studying the equipment

electro-magnetic signals

power variations

time to perform operations

#### Manipulating the equipment

probing

varying power

inducing errors and stopping operations



#### Emission, examples

Electromagnetic emissions occur whenever you use an electronic device

- Power consumption in the equipment can be measured
- Sounds from keyboards can be recorded and analysed

#### Eavesdropping on tokens

Emissions from processing is usually too weak to intercept without going beyond the cover layer. See probing.

Power for smart cards can easily be eavesdropped at the reader

Power consumption can reveal what processing that goes on, including branches taken after testing internal data

#### **Timing attacks**

Speeding up calculations often includes dropping unnecessary steps

- Typical example is not doing all the steps when a key bit is zero
- Analysis of time to encrypt can directly reveal number of zero bits in key
- Combined with power analysis, every key bit can be found

#### Defence against timing attacks

#### Do not optimise calculation times

- Multiply with zero and add to total sum
- Branch on values, but always do the same number of steps in both branches
- If necessary (no division with zero etc.), insert dummy calculations

Defence against power analysis

Remove timing attacks first Insert random steps



Defence against eavesdropping

Use sufficient shielding around processors Avoid sending sensitive data, like keys, on internal buses

#### Probing

Direct contact with the electronics makes direct reading possible

- See the literature (Anderson) for details
- Also consider remanence! (It can make defences like power removal and erasures futile.)



#### Defence against probing

#### Use sufficient shielding around processors

Hardened and shatter-prone epoxy with meshes etc. makes removal of coatings much more difficult and expensive

## Avoid sending sensitive data, like keys, on internal buses

Consider internal encryption

Remove power and erase sensitive data, when an attack is detected

#### **Power manipulation**

Preventing check data from being written may disable protective checks

Introduction of errors in the processing flow may alter the actual instruction sequence in ways that reveal sensitive data

Checks can be skipped

Limits for what can be output may be cancelled

Defence against power manipulation

When writing check data, always check that it is indeed written before proceeding with the calculations

Hide which step the processor executes in the processing flow (see power analysis)

#### Inducing errors

Carefully designed erroneous inputs can trigger unwanted events

Similar to using security holes and badly designed protocols in general

Errors can be injected in stored data via particle beams, light on partly revealed surfaces etc.

manipulate instruction flow

change control limits

alter key bits in ways that make analysis possible



Defence against induced errors

Use error detection for stored values, and check before use

Check outputs for consistency, if possible

Check inputs and block everything except meaningful, correctly designed sets

#### **Questions?**





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