

6.857 - Welcome!

Syllabus:

- Intro: security policies
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OTP
- Encryption: PRF, CPA, AES, MACs, CCA
- Hash fns: collision-resistance, one-wayness
SHA-256, SHA-3
applications

- Math: secret-sharing
DH key exchange
assume "discrete log" is hard
elliptic curves
- PK crypto: El Gamal, RSA, digital signature
ring signatures
- cryptoprotocols: ID schemes
ZK proofs: zero knowledge
Fiat-Shamir

- Topics: Contact tracing
Cryptocurrencies!
Voting
Post-quantum, FHE
fully-homomorphic
encryption

- Guest lectures: TBD
- Project presentations

Projects: "About security"
"Interactor"
"No jail"

- Baseball signs
- Enigma
- Secure "battleship"
- Password mgrs
- MIT Card)

Content:

Security is about computing or communicating
in the presence of Adversaries

System: desired functionality

Security policy: what is not supposed to happen

e.g. "each voter should be able
to vote at most once"

Security has 3 flavors "CIA":

Confidentiality :
Integrity :
Availability :

Security mechanisms : way of achieving goals

• Prevention :

• Detect & Recover

Who is Adversary?

- what does Adversary know?
- what resources does Adversary have

well-resourced

- identification }
• authentication }
• authorization
• physical protection

- cryptography
- economics
- randomness