CS 6393: Cyber Security Models and Systems

Coronavirus Crisis Adjustments

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Lecture on Adjustments
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https://profsandhu.com/cs6393_s20/
Top Priorities

- Health and safety of students, faculty and staff
- Minimal disruption to academic progress of students
- Communication to students from me
  - Operating rules section at top of class website, including Q&A
  - Updates to class website with minimal email notifications to class
  - Emails to class (will also be posted on class website)
  - Emails to individual students may also be sent as needed
- Communication from students to me
  - Send email to ravi.sandhu@utsa.edu OR ravi.utsa@gmail.com
  - Do not hesitate to contact me for any question, comment or concern. Nothing is too small or big in this context.
- We need help of each other to make this work. Each of you, please:
  - Keep regular watch on the class website
  - Send me an email after viewing each lecture, stating that you have watched it (see slide 4)
  - Report any issue immediately to me
  - Look out for emails from me
  - Schedule a virtual meeting for office hours by email request as needed
Remaining Lectures

- Delivered on-line in asynchronous mode
  - All lectures delivered by Prof. Sandhu

- Media: narrated PowerPoint with audio
  - Can be viewed with or without PowerPoint app
  - If you need help please ask me

- Lectures are independent of each other
  - Can be viewed in any order
  - Will be posted with and without audio
  - Will be posted as they are ready
  - May not be posted in chronological order
  - Students will be notified by email when each lecture is fully posted

- Questions on lecture content
  - Please ask via email or schedule a brief phone call via email
After viewing each lecture please send following email message to me, with lecture number substituted for N:

- I attest that I have viewed lecture N for CS6393, in accord with the UTSA honor code

Lectures can be viewed in any order and at any time on or prior to May 15, 2020 (due date for assignment 2)

Each email will be counted as equivalent to attending the lecture (for attendance purposes)
Grading and Learning Objectives

- A letter grade will be assigned to each student
  - There is consideration of Pass/Fail grades in UTSA due to coronavirus crisis. We will stick to letter grades.
- As announced at semester start, grades will be based on assignments 1 and 2, with class attendance and participation factored in
- Assignment 1 is designed to inculcate and evaluate critical cybersecurity thinking/analysis beyond material covered in class lectures
- With the changed circumstances Assignment 2 is designed to inculcate and evaluate critical viewing and comprehension of each lecture and supporting readings
Assignment 2 has been posted
- Due on May 15, 2020

By design it cannot be completed until the last lecture has been delivered
- No lecture on May 8, 2020 to allow time for completion

Rules for Assignment 2 are different and opposite to rules for Assignment 1, as follows.
- You can refer to any material but are not allowed to discuss with anyone (discussion with me is permitted). The answer must be written in your own words and be accompanied with the honor code statement specified in the assignment