

2nd ACM International Workshop on Security and Privacy Analytics (SPA 2016)

New Orleans, LA, Friday, March 11, 2016

Co-located with 6th ACM CODASPY 2016 (Website: <http://www.codaspy.org/>)

Website: <http://capex.cs.uh.edu/?q=content/international-workshop-security-and-privacy-analytics-2016>

This is the second workshop in the series of workshops on Security and Privacy Analytics. Increasingly, sophisticated techniques from machine learning, data mining, statistics and natural language processing are being applied to challenges in security and privacy fields. However, experts from these areas have had no medium in the past where they can meet and exchange ideas so that strong collaborations can emerge, and cross-fertilization of these areas can occur. Moreover, current courses and curricula in security do not sufficiently emphasize background in these areas and students in security and privacy are not emerging with deep knowledge of these topics. Hence, we propose to continue the workshop that we started last year to address the research and development efforts in which analytical techniques from machine learning, data mining, natural language processing and statistics are applied to solve security and privacy challenges (“security and privacy analytics”). Submissions of papers related to methodology, design, techniques and new directions for security and privacy that make significant use of machine learning, data mining, statistics or natural language processing are welcome. Furthermore, submissions on educational topics and systems in the field of security analytics are also highly encouraged. For more information about the workshop: <http://capex.cs.uh.edu/?q=content/international-workshop-security-and-privacy-analytics-2016>

The workshop will focus on, but is not limited to, the following areas:

- ✓ Natural Language Processing for Security/Privacy;
- ✓ Data Mining techniques for Security/Privacy;
- ✓ Machine Learning for Security/Privacy;
- ✓ Statistics for Security/Privacy;
- ✓ Inference Control;
- ✓ Privacy-preserving data mining;
- ✓ Security of Machine learning;
- ✓ Security of Data Mining;
- ✓ Security of Natural Language Processing;
- ✓ Case studies;
- ✓ Educational topics and courses

The workshop is planned for one day, March 11, 2016, on the last day of the conference, with two keynote speeches and a mix of sessions on security and privacy analytics research and education. The **keynote speeches** will be delivered by one to two well-known researchers in the field. All submissions must describe original research, not published nor currently under review for another workshop, conference, or journal. All papers must be submitted electronically via the EasyChair system: <https://easychair.org/conferences/?conf=iwspa2016>

Papers must be at most 8 pages in length with at least 10 point font size and 1 inch margins all around. Submission implies the willingness of at least one author to attend the workshop and present the paper. Accepted papers will be included in the ACM Digital Library. The presenter must register for the workshop before the deadline for author registration. The accepted papers will be compiled in the workshop proceedings as either a regular paper within 8 pages or a poster paper within 2 pages. A limited number of high quality submissions may be selected for publication in a special issue of a journal. Reduced registration fees will be provided to selected participants through an NSF grant.

• Organizing Committee

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• Important Dates

- ✓ **Extended Paper Deadline:** December 4, 2015, 11:59 p.m. CST (**FIRM**)
- ✓ ~~**Paper submission Deadline: December 1, 2015, 11:59 p.m. CDT (Firm Deadline)**~~
- ✓ **Acceptance Notification:** December 18, 2015
- ✓ **Camera Ready Submission Deadline:** January 20, 2016

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