Module title
Security of Software Systems

Abbreviation
10-I=S-SSS-172-m01

Module coordinator
holder of the Chair of Computer Science II

Module offered by
Institute of Computer Science

ECTS
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Method of grading
numerical grade

Duration
1 semester

Module level
graduate

Other prerequisites
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Contents
The lecture provides an overview of common software vulnerabilities, state-of-the-art attack techniques on modern computer systems, as well as the measures implemented to protect against these attacks. In the course, the following topics are discussed:

• x86-64 instruction set architecture and assembly language
• Runtime attacks (code injection, code reuse, defenses)
• Web security
• Blockchains and smart contracts
• Side-channel attacks
• Hardware security

Intended learning outcomes
Students gain a deep understanding of software security, from hardware and low-level attacks to modern concepts such as blockchains. The lecture prepares for research in the area of security and privacy, while the exercises allow students to gain hands-on experience with attacks and analysis of systems from an attacker's perspective.

Courses
(type, number of weekly contact hours, language — if other than German)
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Module taught in: English

Method of assessment
(type, scope, language — if other than German, examination offered — if not every semester, information on whether module is creditable for bonus)
written examination (approx. 60 to 120 minutes).
If announced by the lecturer at the beginning of the course, the written examination may be replaced by an oral examination of one candidate each (approx. 20 minutes) or an oral examination in groups of 2 candidates (approx. 15 minutes per candidate).
Language of assessment: English creditable for bonus

Allocation of places
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Additional information
Focuses available for students of the Master's programme Informatik (Computer Science, 120 ECTS credits): SE, IS, LR, HCI, ES.
Basic programming knowledge in C is required.

Referred to in LPO I (examination regulations for teaching-degree programmes)
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Module appears in
Master's degree (1 major) Computer Science (2017)
Master's degree (1 major) Computer Science (2018)
Module studies (Master) Computer Science (2019)
Master's degree (1 major) Computational Mathematics (2019)
Master's degree (1 major) Mathematics (2019)
| Master's degree (1 major) Information Systems (2019) |
| Master's teaching degree Gymnasium MINT Teacher Education PLUS, Elite Network Bavaria (ENB) (2020) |
| Supplementary course MINT Teacher Education PLUS, Elite Network Bavaria (ENB) (2020) |
| Master's degree (1 major) Aerospace Computer Science (2020) |
| Master's degree (1 major) eXtended Artificial Intelligence (xtAI) (2020) |