CMPT 318 - D100 Special Topics Cmpt. Science

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Calendar Objective/Description:
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Instructor's Objectives:
This course introduces cybersecurity and cyber situational awareness concepts and discusses cyber intelligence in the context of big data. Cyber security analytics and probabilistic modeling for threat detection and response (mitigative action) will play a central role. Coursework involves using the R language and software environment for statistical computing and graphics. Fundamental concepts and principles of cybersecurity risk assessment, intrusion detection and prevention, critical infrastructure protection and beyond will be discussed in detail.

Prerequisites:
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Topics:
- Probability theory and probabilistic modeling
- Discrete Markov processes
- Cyber threat analysis and intrusion detection
- Advanced persistent and zero day threats
- Time series analysis and forecasting
- Anomaly detection and scoring methods
- Risk assessment and mitigation
- Blockchain technology

Grading:
The course has two tests (worth 25% of the total grade), three graded assignments (worth 20%) and a term project organized as group project with a project report and presentation in class (worth 50%). There will also be reading assignments and several tutorials. Class participation accounts for up to 5% of the total grade. This grading scheme is tentative and to be finalized during the first week of classes, depending on external circumstances.

Recommended Books:
An Introduction to Statistical Learning with Applications in R, G. James, D. Witten, T. Hastie, and R. Tibshirani, Springer, 2017, 978-1461471370

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