Network Security

Goals:

• understand principles of network security:

- cryptography and its many uses beyond "confidentiality"
- authentication
- message integrity
- security in practice:
 - firewalls and intrusion detection systems
 - security in application, transport, network, link layers

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Breaking an encryption scheme

- cipher-text only attack: Trudy has ciphertext she can analyze
- two approaches:
 - brute force: search through all keys
 - statistical analysis
- known-plaintext attack: Trudy has plaintext corresponding to ciphertext
 - e.g., in monoalphabetic cipher, Trudy determines pairings for a,l,i,c,e,b,o,
- chosen-plaintext attack: Trudy can get ciphertext for chosen plaintext

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