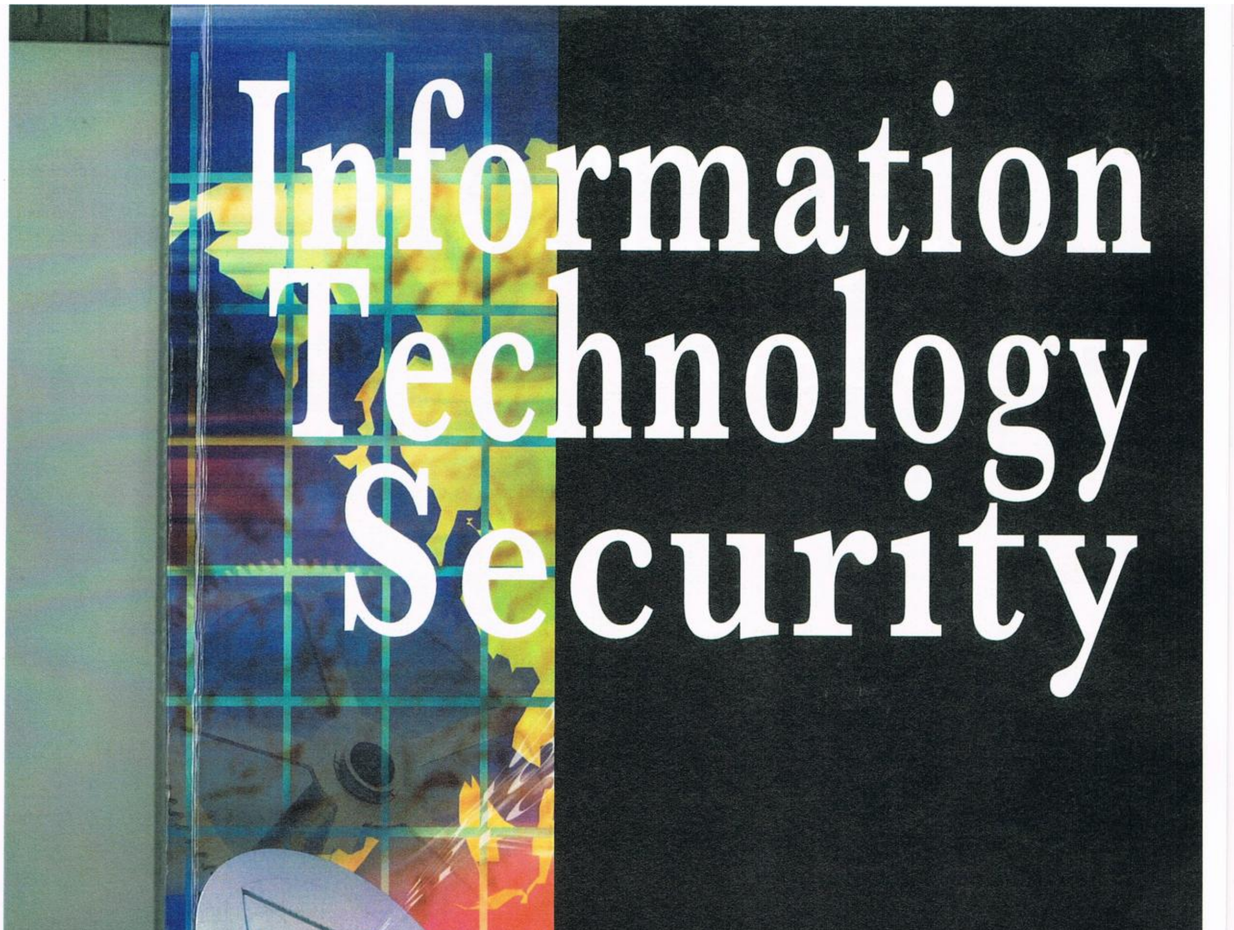

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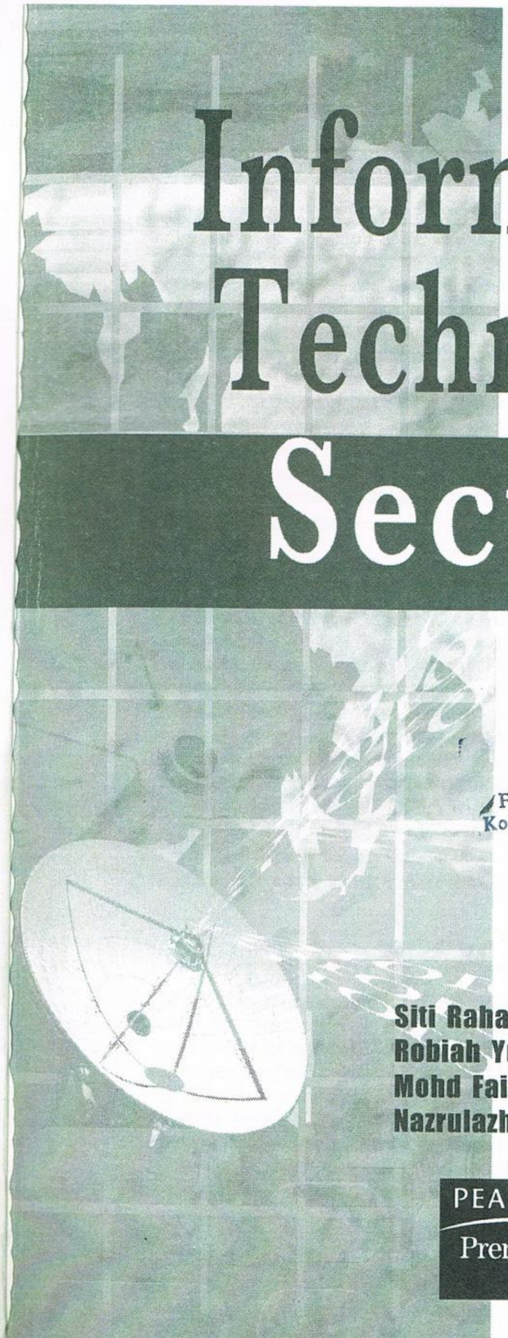

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PREFACE

Overview

The greatest source of confusion in the business world today is information security. Executives read articles about the latest theft of credit cards or the billions of dollars in losses to hackers and expect that a quick solution can be found. The burden typically falls upon computer professionals who are otherwise brilliant at what they do but have little knowledge about security issues. This book is written based on our lecture notes for subject taught on three years undergraduate programme on information technology security. Each chapter is integrated with lab project that is designed to equipped student with hands-on experience on implementing the security techniques in their study environment which is based on various security issues. It also will expose the students on how to secure their rights, protecting their computing environment and preventing unauthorized people from reading and altering messages on a network. Any comments regarding this book are appreciated and you can email the comments to the authors: srahs@yahoo.com or robiah_mlk@yahoo.com.

Approach

The objective of this book is to introduce student in preparing a secure computing environment in theory and practical by using secure software, hardware and network. The task in the lab project will involve the managing setup process, PGP application, preventive tools, anti-virus and other security tools. These tools will help student in understanding and applying the computer and information security areas and processes. Each lab project offers student many opportunities to get hands-on and build new security tools skills. It also exposes students about threats that always attack their computing environment such as their information and network.

Upon completion of this theoretical and practical provided in this book, the students should have:

- Knowledge about threats and risk that are often attack the information and network.
- Substantial skills to use software or tools for managing the security of computing environment in general and IT security in particular.
- Skills on build the secure environment for any transaction in the network environment.

Chapter Layout

Each chapter begins with a list of objectives. These include the important concepts to be mastered within the chapter. Extensive chapter reviews and self-review questions are included at the end of each chapter for self-study. They provide the student with a chance to build confidence with the exercises. This book contains 12 chapters which are Introduction to Information Security (Chapter 1), Authentication and Basic Cryptography (Chapters 2), Program Security (Chapter 3), Operating Systems Security (Chapter 4), Database Security (Chapter 5), Security in Networks (Chapter 6), Security in Applications (Chapter 7), Wireless Security (Chapter 8), Legal and Ethical Issues in Computer Security (Chapter 9), Cyberlaws (Chapter 10), Administering Security (Chapter 11) and Designing, Implementation and Maintaining the Recovery Solutions (Chapter 12).

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