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Title: Some Statistical Applications in Cybersecurity

Date/Time: Tuesday, October 17, 2017 4:00-5:30 p.m.

Informal reception to follow at approximately 5:45 p.m. at East Street Café on the mezzanine level of Union Station.

Speaker: David J. Marchette, Naval Surface Warfare Center, Dahlgren Division

Chair: Leanna Moron, NORC at the University of Chicago

Sponsors: WSS Statistics Education Committee, WSS Methodology Section and WSS Defense and National Security Program Committee

Location: Bureau of Labor Statistics Janet Norwood Conference Center, Rooms 7/8 (Please check board in case of change of room)

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Abstract: There are many aspects of cybersecurity that lend themselves to statistical analysis. In this talk I will give an introduction to some of the data that is available, some of the questions that one is interested in, and some simple yet powerful tools for investigating the data. Simple plots will allow us to understand many of the characteristics of network flows and certain types of network attacks. Slightly more sophisticated probability density estimation methods (similar to histograms) will provide insight into the structure and the way the data changes in time. Finally, we'll look at some methods from pattern recognition to characterize malicious software. Most of the talk will be at a level accessible to anyone who's taken a basic statistics course, and I will point out directions for further investigation for those with a stronger statistics background.

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