

# Hardware Security

Organisational stuff

Digital Security

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## Other faces you'll see



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lectures on  
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side-channel assignments

# This course: topics

- **Smartcards**
  - The prime example of 'secure' hardware today
  - *The* standard solution for authentication if username/password is not secure enough
  - Smartcards have a long evolution in attacks and countermeasures
- **Attacks & countermeasures.**  
**esp. side-channel attacks**
- Applications: **EMV & internet banking**
- Newer hardware security solutions: **TEEs**

# Other kinds of secure hardware & attacks

Other forms of secure hardware we won't look at (much)

- **HSM** (Hardware Security Modules)
- **TPM** (Trusted Platform Modules)
- **TEE** (Trusted Execution Environments)
- **PUFs** (Physically Uncloneable Functions)
- **biometrics?**



Other attacks on embedded systems that we won't look at:

- **JTAG** – debugging interface for all sort of electronics
- reading or modifying **firmware**
- **cold boot attacks** to extract data from RAM
- ...

## **This course: form**

- 1. lectures & some reading material**
- 2. group JavaCard smartcard project**  
in groups of 4 students
- 3. side-channel lab assignments**  
4 assignments, 3 in pairs & 1 individually?
- 4. virtual event with hardware security evaluation**  
lab Riscure

**Grade based on 2 & 3:**

**60% group project + 40% side channel lab**

# JavaCard smartcard project

- Building smartcard system
- Goals
  - experience the whole process from high-level design, given security requirements and assumptions, down to actual code on real hardware
  - appreciate complexity & interplay of
    - design considerations & constraints,
    - key management & distribution,
    - protocols,
    - silly hardware limitations, weird crypto padding,...
    - practicalities of *getting all this working*,...

# JavaCard smartcard project

## Four choices

- 1) electronic purse
- 2) loyalty card
- 3) petrol rationing
- 4) car rental



- **Form groups of 4 persons asap**
  - also let us know any group problems asap!!

# Side-channel lab assignments

- Practical experience with very successful method of attack on smartcards: **Power Analysis**



