



COMPUTER VIRUSES

WEEK 15

Virus

- ▶ VIRUS stands for vital Information Resources Under siege
- ▶ A computer virus is a program or a set of program that disturbs the normal functionality of a computer.
- ▶ Infects or destroys data
- ▶ Enter into a computer without the permission or knowledge of the user.
- ▶ Virus program are self replicating program which continuously expand their reach by infecting more & more computer files.

Worm

- ▶ Type of virus.
- ▶ A worm is a malware that transmit itself over a network to infect other computer.
- ▶ Worm can be harmful like a virus.
- ▶ Worm causes some harm to network such as slowing down communication.

Trojan horse

- ▶ It is a code generally hidden in games or spreadsheets.
- ▶ Trojan horse spread through social engineering.
- ▶ They are hidden & internally destroying our programs & system.
- ▶ It's main objective is to harm to the data.
- ▶ Trojan horse allow an attacker to access user's personal information such as banking information, password etc.

Antivirus

- ▶ A type of software that is used to detect and remove viruses is called antivirus software.
- ▶ Antivirus contain information about different known viruses.



Firewall

- ▶ A network device.
- ▶ Hardware and/or software device.
- ▶ All data passes through the firewall.
- ▶ After examining the data, firewall either block or pass the data i.e. only authorized traffic(defined by the local security policy) will be allowed to pass.
- ▶ It establishes a barrier between secured internal network and outside untrusted network (like internet).

