

Outline for October 27, 2005

Reading: J. Haskett, "Pass-Algorithms: A User Validation Scheme Based on Knowledge of Secret Algorithms," *Communications of the ACM* **27** (8) pp. 777–781 (Aug. 1984).

1. Identity
 - a. Anonymity
2. Authentication
 - a. What it is
 - b. Passwords
 - c. Guessing passwords
 - d. Challenge-response
 - e. Biometrics
 - f. Location
 - g. Combining these
 - h. The UC Davis network authentication system

Puzzle of the Day

RFID stands for “Radio Frequency IDentification.” This is a method for identifying things, animals, or people. It requires placing a chip in the object to be identified. The chip contains identification information about the object containing the chip.

- a. What are the benefits of having merchandise identified with RFID? The disadvantages?
- b. How would your answer change if part a asked about people?