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Special Issue on

Science of Cyber Security

Cyber attacks impose huge threats on digitally enabled organizations. To adequately manage cybersecurity risk and protect information assets, we must understand the capabilities and limitations of both cyber attacks and defenses. The unpleasant state-of-the-art is that cyber defense and management remains mostly heuristic and qualitative, and is viewed largely as an art rather than a science. The importance and urgency of elevating the art of cyber security to the envisioned science of cyber security is well recognized, as justified by the emergence of venues such as the [International Conference on Science of Cyber Security \(SciSec\)](#) in 2018.

This special issue will invite some of the papers that are presented at, and appear in the Proceedings of, the [2nd International Conference on Science of Cyber Security \(SciSec'2019\)](#), which will be held August 9-11, 2019 in Nanjing, China. In line with the mission of the conference, this special issue aims to catalyze research collaborations between the relevant communities and disciplines to deepen our understanding of, and build a firm foundation for, the emerging Science of Cyber Security. Publications in this venue would distinguish themselves by taking or thinking from a holistic perspective about cyber security, rather than a building-blocks perspective.

Since the Proceedings of SciSec'2019 will be published as a volume in Springer's Lecture Notes in Computer Science, each invited paper will be requested to substantially extend its Proceedings version by introducing (30% or more) new materials. Each submission will be reviewed by at least 3 reviewers.

Submission Instruction

Manuscripts must be submitted in PDF format to the ISF-Springer online submission system at <http://www.editorialmanager.com/isfi/> and the authors need to select "Special Issue: Science of Cyber Security" during the submission process. Paper submissions must conform to the format guidelines of Information Systems Frontiers available at <http://www.springer.com/business/business+information+systems/journal/10796>. Submissions should be approximately 32 pages double spaced including references.

Topics of interest include, but are not limited to:

- Cybersecurity Dynamics
- Cybersecurity Metrics and Their Measurements
- First-principle Cybersecurity Modeling and Analysis (e.g., Dynamical Systems, Control-Theoretic, and Game-Theoretic Modeling)
- Cybersecurity Data Analytics
- Quantitative Risk Management for Cybersecurity
- Big Data for Cybersecurity
- Artificial Intelligence for Cybersecurity
- Machine Learning for Cybersecurity
- Economics Approaches for Cybersecurity
- Social and Organizational Approaches for Cybersecurity
- Statistical Physics Approaches for Cybersecurity
- Complexity Sciences Approaches for Cybersecurity
- Experimental Cybersecurity
- Macroscopic Cybersecurity
- Statistics Approaches for Cybersecurity
- Human Factors and User Behaviors for Cybersecurity
- Compositional Security
- Biology-inspired Approaches for Cybersecurity
- Synergetics Approaches for Cybersecurity

Important Dates

Paper submission deadline: November 5, 2019

Notification of first round reviews: January 15, 2020

Revised manuscripts due: February 20, 2020

Notification of second round reviews: March 20, 2020

Final Version Due: April 20, 2020

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