

C3E Challenge Problem Overview

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- Since 2016, the National Science Foundation has provided support to perform follow-up research on the Challenge Problem topics
- Researchers receive a modest honorarium
- Results are presented at the following Workshop
- Posters, papers, and video presentations are all submitted



History of C3E Cybersecurity Challenge Problem Topics:

- Identity Discovery Challenge (2012)
- APT Infection Discovery Using DNS Data (2013)
- Metadata-based Malicious Cyber Discovery (2014)
- Novel Approaches to Avoid Misattribution (2015)
- Modeling Consequences of Ransomware (2016-17)
- Adversarial Machine Learning (ML), connections with Explainable Artificial Intelligence (XAI), and Decision Support Vulnerabilities (2018)
- Cognitive Securing and Human-Machine Teaming (2019)
- Economics of Security and Continuous Assurance (2020-2021)
- Supply Chain Software Static Analysis Coverage, AI, and Victimology (2021-2022)
- Cyberpsychology Aspects of Foreign Malign Influence and Generative AI and Large Language Models (2023-2024)

About October 15, 2024:

- We'll notify ~150 potential researchers of funding and solicit proposals on the two topics below
- Form a review panel to evaluate proposals
- Offer honorariums based on reviews of those proposals

Researchers will:

- Provide posters and video presentation at C3E 2025
- Final paper due at end of CY25

Sociotechnical Aspects of Human-AI Systems

This Challenge Problem will ask technologists and social/behavioral researchers to identify areas of future research.

Generative Technologies and Specification

This Challenge Problem will focus on the use of generative technologies to assist with development of specifications.

