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## Education

*Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) in Computer Science – June 2017 –*  
**Dartmouth College**, NH, USA.

*Research Area:* Systems Security

*Advisors:* Dr. Sean W. Smith and Dr. Sergey Bratus

*Master of Science in Computer Science – August 2015 – June 2017*  
**Dartmouth College**, NH, USA.

*Research Area:* Systems Security

*Advisors:* Dr. Sean W. Smith and Dr. Sergey Bratus

*Bachelor of Engineering in Computer Science and Engineering – August 2011 – May 2015.*  
**College of Engineering Guindy**, Chennai, India

*Research Area:* Compilers and Systems

*Thesis:* Code Compaction in LLVM IR.

**TCS Best Senior Thesis Award.**

*Thesis Advisor:* Dr. Arul Siromoney

## Experience

**SRI International, Menlo Park, CA, USA** – Internet-of-Things Security and Privacy Center  
June 2017 – September 2017 *Student Associate.*

*Advisors:* Dr. Bogdan Copos, Dr. Michael Locasto, Dr. Ulf Lindqvist.

Designing *composite-metrics* for understanding security of Internet-of-Things ecosystems.

**SRI International, Menlo Park, CA, USA** – Internet-of-Things Security and Privacy Center  
June 2016 – September 2016 *Student Associate.*

*Advisors:* Dr. Michael Locasto, Dr. Gabriela Ciocarlie, Dr. Ulf Lindqvist.

Building *Language-theoretic security* compliant clients for application layer Internet-of-Things protocols.

**Samsung R&D Institute, Bangalore, India** – Intelligent Search Team

May 2013 – July 2013

*Student Trainee.*

*Advisor:* Mohan Sundar B.

Worked on an independent project of designing a graph searching system using Neo4J and Apache Giraph.

## Talks and Presentations

*Input Handling Done Right: Building Hardened Parsers using Language-theoretic Security*

IEEE Cybersecurity Development Conference

Boston, MA

September 24th 2017

*Building Hardened Internet-of-Things Clients using Language-Theoretic Security*

4th LangSec Workshop at IEEE Symposium on Security and Privacy (Oakland)

San Jose, CA  
May 25th 2017

*Building vertically hardened Industrial-Control-Systems applications using Language-theoretic security*  
2nd CREDC Industrial Workshop  
Tempe, AZ  
March 28th 2017

*Scalability Identity in the Internet of Things*  
IEEE International Conference on Internet of Things  
Chengdu, China  
December 18th 2016

## Publications

### *Conferences and Workshops*

3. Ioannis Agadacos\*, Chien-Ying Chen\*, Matteo Campanelli\*, **Prashant Anantharaman\***, Monowar Hasan\*, Bogdan Copos\*, Tancrede Lepoint, Michael Locasto, Gabriela F. Ciocarlie, Ulf Lindqvist  
\* *Equal Contributions*  
"Jumping the Air Gap: Modeling Cyber-Physical Attack Paths in the Internet-of-Things"  
3rd ACM CCS Cyber-Physical Systems Security and Privacy Workshop  
November 2017
2. **Prashant Anantharaman**, Michael M. Millian, Sergey Bratus, Meredith L. Patterson.  
"Input Handling Done Right: Building Hardened Parsers using Language-theoretic Security"  
2nd IEEE Cybersecurity Development Conference, Boston, MA  
September 2017
1. **P. Anantharaman**, M. Locasto, G. Ciocarlie, U. Lindqvist.  
"Building hardened Internet-of-Things implementations using Language-theoretic Security"  
IEEE Symposium on Security and Privacy – Language-theoretic Security Workshop.  
May 2017
- o. **P. Anantharaman**, K. Palani, D. Nicol, S.W. Smith.  
"I am Joe's Fridge: Scalable Identity in the Internet of Things"  
IEEE International Conference on Internet of Things.  
December 2016
- o. G. Ramakrishnan, **P. Anantharaman**, and S. Mukherjee.  
"Proactive Resource Provisioning Model for Cloud Federation."  
International Conference on Distributed Computing and Internet Technology. Springer International Publishing,  
January 2016

## Teaching Experience

Teaching Assistant for *Programming Languages (COSC 59)*, September 2016– November 2016.

Fall 2016 (1 lecture). Instructor – Dr. Sergey Bratus.

*Ruby on Rails* Instructor at FSFTN Summer Camp, June 2015.

Number of Participants: 120.

Venue: IIT Madras.

## Projects

### *Hackathon Projects (Available on GitHub)*

*FoodRoach*: Locating the nearest location on campus providing free-food at a particular point of time. Software(s) used: *Ruby on Rails, Android*.

**Winner - Best Dartmouth Hack.**

*File Sharing Portal*: Developed a "Social Network for sharing of Files and Videos". Software(s) used: *Ruby on Rails, mysql*.

*Guindy Times Website*: Developed the website and API for the college news magazine. <http://guindytimes.com>. Software(s) used: *Ruby on Rails, postgresql, Redis*

*Kurukshetra : College Tech Fest Website*: Developed the website of the college tech fest. Developed the website and the API for the android application. <http://archive15.kurukshetra.org.in>. Software(s) used: *Ruby on Rails, mysql, angularjs*

### *Research Projects*

*KeggyFuzzer*: Building smart fuzzers from parser-combinator input. We build a top-down fuzzer generator.

*Tamil OCR and Error Correction*: This project was funded by "Centre for Technology Development and Transfer, Anna University". Error corrections were made on an OCR'd document. We achieved an accuracy of almost 90%. Software(s) used: *Java, Ruby on Rails, Tesseract OCR*

### *Academic Projects*

*Kabali*: A ruby gem to inspect the YARV structures. Ruby YARV structures and stacks aren't so easy to inspect and comprehend, this gem would give you a step by step description of the modifications in the stack. **Received a citation for this project.**

*Sankalan*: A ruby gem to make mdb and dtrace interchangeably.

*Yalnix*: A simple operating system in C. Implemented memory management and all syscalls as a part of the Operating Systems course.

## Programing Environments

Languages: C++, C, Java, Python, Ruby, HTML/CSS

Plaforms: Unix (Linux, Solaris)

Tools: Wireshark, Git version control, Emacs and vim text editors

Databases: Mysql, Postgresql, Oracle

Frameworks: Ruby on Rails, Django, LLVM, Hammer parser-combinator

Github account: <https://github.com/prashantbarca>

## Selected Fellowships and Awards

50% fee scholarship for first year of masters at Dartmouth College.

TCS Award for Best Senior Thesis – 2015