

# ZIHAN WANG

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## EDUCATION

### The University of Queensland

HDR representative

Ph.D. Student at the School of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science

Apr 2023 - Mar 2026 (expected)

Brisbane, Australia

Research Area: Machine Learning Security and Privacy.

- Tackling real-world security & privacy issues of machine learning systems in a formally verifiable manner.
- Published papers in leading conferences (*IEEE S&P*, *ACM CCS*, *USENIX Security*, *NeurIPS*, *WACV*).

### The University of Adelaide

Feb 2020 - Dec 2022

Bachelor of Computer Science (Advanced)

Adelaide, SA

GPA: 6.625 / 7.0

#### Awards:

- *IEEE S&P Travel Grant Award*, 2024
- *UQ RTP Scholarships*, 2023-2026
- *Adelaide Graduate Award*, 2022
- *Adelaide Research Scholarships, ECMS*, 2021 Summer
- *The University of Adelaide Global Citizens Scholarship*, 2020-2022

## EXPERIENCE

### CSIRO's Data61

Visiting Scientist, Contract

Research Area: Machine Learning Security and Privacy.

Oct 2022 - Apr 2023

Adelaide, Australia

### ECMS, University of Adelaide

Research Assistant

Research Area: Machine learning. Computer Vision.

- Published my first paper as an undergraduate at *NeurIPS'22* (co-first authored).

July 2021 - Sep 2022

Adelaide, Australia

## PUBLICATIONS

### Data Hiding With Deep Learning:

*IEEE TCSS (JCR Q1)*

A Survey Unifying Digital Watermarking and Steganography ☑

Zihan Wang, Olivia Byrnes, Hu Wang, Ruoxi Sun, Congbo Ma, Huaming Chen, Qi Wu, Minhui Xue.

### CORELOCKER: Neuron-level Usage Control ☑

*IEEE S&P'24 (Big Four, A\*)*

Zihan Wang, Zhongkui Ma, Xinguo Feng, Ruoxi Sun, Hu Wang, Minhui Xue, Guangdong Bai.

### Being Transparent is Merely the Beginning:

*USENIX Security'24 (Big Four, A\*)*

Enforcing Purpose Limitation with Polynomial Approximation ☑

Shuofeng Liu, Zihan Wang, Minhui Xue, Long Wang, Yuanchao Zhang, Guangdong Bai.

### Uncovering Gradient Inversion Risks in Practical Language Model Training ☑

*ACM CCS'24 (Big Four, A\*)*

Xinguo Feng, Zhongkui Ma, Zihan Wang, Chegne Eu Joe, Mengyao Ma, Alsharif Abuadbba, Guangdong Bai.

### BPKD: Boundary Privileged Knowledge Distillation For Semantic Segmentation ☑

*WACV'24 (A)*

Liyang Liu, Zihan Wang, Minh Hieu Phan, Bowen Zhang, Jinchao Ge, Yifan Liu.

### M<sup>4</sup>I: Multi-modal Models Membership Inference ☑

*NeurIPS'22 (A\*)*

Pingyi Hu\*, Zihan Wang\*, Ruoxi Sun, Hu Wang, Minhui Xue.

## INVITED TALKS

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### Neuron-level Usage Control for AI Models

*School of Computing, National University of Singapore (NUS)*

*May 2024*

## PROJECTS

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### Urban-Sense Semantic Segmentation

*Developer, Coursework*

*May 2022- Jul 2022*

*University of Adelaide*

- **#1 Ranking** in Computer Vision course competition. Work highly endorsed by the course coordinator Dr. Yifan Liu.
- Provided a terrific solution that satisfies both efficiency and accuracy criteria to the given road segmentation task.

### COVID-19 Contact Tracing Application

*Developer, Coursework*

*Mar 2021- Jul 2021*

*University of Adelaide*

- Lead developer in team effort. Reviewed, improved and integrated others' contributions.
- Front Page Design: Built frontend based on Vue.js and JavaScript.

### Student Management System

*Developer, Coursework*

*Aug 2020- Nov 2020*

*University of Adelaide*

- Project Development: Implemented different system design techniques and object-oriented programming skills using C++; enabled data stores in the MySQL database and to interact with the application by ORM framework.

## SKILLS

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**Languages:** C++, C, Java, Python, JavaScript, SQL

**Frameworks:** Torch, Django, Spring, Google Test, Vue.js

**Tools:** Git, Docker, Linux

## EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

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### Academic Tutor

Tutoring at the University of Adelaide and other societies/clubs. Provided guidance, resources and lessons to students. Established excellent verbal and written communications. Specialized in first and second-year Computer Science.

### Australian Red Cross COVID-19 Food Relief Program

Coordinator of AR International Group partnership with Australian Red Cross COVID-19 Food relief program.

### Australia National Day Art Competition 2022

Photograph the submitted art pieces and prepare them for the showcase. Exhibition set up.

## REFEREE

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### Guangdong Bai

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