Mohammad Ishtiaq Ashiq Khan

Experience

Graduate Research Assistant

Virginia Tech

Jan 2021 - Present

- Conducted research on network security and measurement with an emphasis on Email, DNS, and PKI.
- Selected Publications:
 - You've Got Report: Measurement and Security Implications of DMARC Reporting in USENIX Security 2023. Authors: Md. Ishtiaq Ashiq, Weitong Li, Tobias Fiebig, and Taejoong Chung.
 - * Analyzed the DMARC Reporting landscape longitudinally and empirically. Proposed a couple of DoS vulnerabilities in 3 major email providers with amplification factor over 1400x leveraging DMARC and TLS-RPT reporting.
- Measuring TTL Violation of DNS Resolvers in the Wild in PAM 2023. Authors: Protick Bhowmick, Md. Ishtiaq
 Ashiq, Casey Deccio, and Taejoong Chung.
 - * Designed APIs for dynamic resolution of DNS queries for the measurement infrastructure using Docker and DRF.
- Under the Hood of DANE Mismanagement in SMTP in USENIX Security 2022. Authors: Hyeonmin Lee, Md. Ishtiaq Ashiq, Moritz Muller, Roland van Rijswijk-Deij, Taekyoung Kwon, and Taejoong Chung.
 - * Implemented an automated DANE configuration update scheme after key rollover in a popular email provider.

Lecturer

United International University

Jul 2019 - Dec 2020

• Taught Network Security, Data Structure, Object-Oriented Programming, etc. undergraduate courses.

Full Stack Software Engineer

InfoSapex Limited

Nov 2018 - Jul 2019

- Successfully released a Procurement Management System in production with over 50% contribution.
- Served as a technical point of contact with clients and carried out requirement analysis.
- Significantly reduced server provisioning time by automating configurations with Puppet and recovery time by setting up monitoring service with Munin and Nagios.

Software Engineer Intern

Dingi Technologies Limited

Mar 2018 - Aug 2018

• Developed an interactive website for addressing feedbacks from users of Dingi's native mobile application.

Education

Blacksburg, VA

Jan 2021 - Dec 2025 (Expected)

• Ph.D. in Computer Science and Applications at Virginia Tech

Dhaka, Bangladesh

Jul 2014 - Oct 2018

• B.Sc. in Computer Science at Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology (BUET), CGPA: 3.83.

Languages and Technologies

Languages Python, Java, C++, C, JavaScript, HTML, CSS, Assembly (x86), familiar with R and Go **Frameworks** Django Rest, Tensorflow, PySpark, PyTorch, Node.js, familiar with Android **DBMS** Oracle SQL, PostgreSQL, MongoDB

Selected Projects

- **Revisiting the NXNS Attack** (2022). Developed a scalable technique to measure patches for the attack in local resolvers leveraging a proxy network, [details].
- Transferability of Adversarial Training in Text Domain (2021). Conducted a study to check transferability of adversarial training across popular adversarial frameworks. Framework: PyTorch, [Link].
- **DNSSEC Debugger** (2021). Analyzed historical DNSViz data to understand the challenges for DNS administrators while deploying and managing DNSSEC. Presented in **36th DNS-OARC Workshop**, [Link].

Additional Experience and Awards

- Instructor, Virginia Tech: Taught Intermediate Software Design course during Summer 2023.
- Open Source Contributions: Contributed to 3 open-source projects: Mail-in-a-Box, iRedAPD, and TextAttack.
- Awarded *University Merit List Scholarship*, and *Dean's List Scholarship* during bachelor's.