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## Education

### National University of Singapore

*Bachelor of Computing(Information Security)*

August 2020 – December 2023

*Singapore*

## Research Experience

### Interactive Proof Research

August 2022 – Present

*Independent Researcher, supervised by Dr. Prashant Nalini Vasudevan (NUS)*

*Singapore*

- One Paper in Submission: ITCS 2024
- Discovered a novel intuitive solution of Yao's Millionaire Problem in the physical world and made a protocol relying only on DDH, collision-resistant hash function with cheaper complexity in semi-honest settings.
- Researched the amortization theorem for the sum-check protocol, uncovered some interesting properties, and explored its potential applications.
- Explored on Search Delegation Scheme for All-Pairs Shortest Path (APSP) and Longest Common Subsequence (LCS)

### Zero Knowledge Proof Research

May 2023 – August 2023

*Visiting Student Researcher, supervised by Dr. Ron Rothblum (Technion)*

*Haifa, Israel*

- One paper in Submission: Eurocrypt 2024
- Explored the power and limit of statistical witness indistinguishability.
- Contribute to strong NISZK batching protocol: EuroCrypt2024 on submission.
- Attended Workshop: The Many Colors of Cryptography

### Research on the Mechanisms in Fear Memory Consolidation

May 2022 – August 2023

*Participant, Supervised by Dr. Cora Sau Wan Lai (HKU)*

*Hong Kong(Remote)*

- Third Author: Nature Neuroscience on Submission
- Applied a modified pool adjacent violators algorithm (PAVA) to conduct isotonic regression, improving the accuracy of the data analysis.
- Designed a labeling process that utilized deconvolution and filtered out "partial spikes" signals to improve the accuracy of spiking event detection.
- Based on the experimental design, proposed possible assumptions and classified neuronal ensembles into multiple groups for statistical tests to identify correlations between neuron activities and behavior test results.

### Development and Testing of Cryptography Library

February 2022 – May 2022

*Research Assistant at the Crystal Center, supervised by Dr. Prateek Saxena (NUS)*

*Singapore*

- Tested a new cryptography library and identified significant bugs. Successfully fixed the bugs I discovered.
- Reviewed a paper on identity-based encryption (IBE) and analyzed the security of a new decentralized, non-interactive messaging system.
- Built a RN Bridge to wrap a new PC cryptography library for use with React Native (RN).

### Data Crawling and Analysis

February 2021 – December 2021

*Student Researcher, Supervised by Dr. Chen Nan (NUS)*

*Singapore*

- Exploited vulnerabilities in Weibo's mobile API to build a highly efficient concurrent crawler that collected hundreds of millions of Weibo data points.
- Developed a crawler that bypassed the protections in place for WeChat public accounts and collected article data.
- Researched the credibility algorithm of Weibo, specifically the Yang Guang credibility metric, analyzed its effectiveness and impact on user behavior, and related security problems.

## Teaching Experience

### Main Teaching Assistant

August 2023 – Present

*CS4236: Cryptography Theory and Practice, by Dr. Prashant Nalini Vasudevan (NUS)*

*Singapore*

- Assisted in designing and setting up problem sets for students.
- Conducted Q&A sessions and tutorials to deepen students' understanding.
- Participated in grading assignments, ensuring timely and accurate feedback.

### Main Teaching Assistant

August 2023 – Present

*CS3235: Computer Security, instructed by Dr. Reza Shokri (NUS)*

*Singapore*

- Collaborated in creating and setting up problem sets.
- Facilitated Q&A sessions and tutorials to enhance learning outcomes.
- Aided in the grading of assignments, maintaining a high standard of evaluation.

## Working Experience

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### Binance

August 2022 – August 2023

*Smart Contract Security Engineer (Part-time Intern)*

*Singapore (Remote)*

- Conducted comprehensive reviews of newly disclosed vulnerabilities in smart contracts, summarizing the underlying causes of each exploit.
- Performed meticulous security audits on both internal and external smart contracts, generating high-quality analytical reports.
- Employed specialized scanning tools to identify vulnerabilities in deployed smart contracts and issued timely risk warnings.

### TikTok, ByteDance

May 2022 – August 2022

*Backend Engineer Intern (Trust and Safety)*

*Singapore*

- Migrated and refactored GIF safety and image safety logic in direct messages on TikTok.
- Provided support for private message-related safety inquiries on TikTok.
- Conducted dry runs of new models for direct message safety in different regions.
- Assisted with business account message auto-reply moderation.

## Projects and Work

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### OverPass: MVP of Applying Interactive Proof to Make EVM Cheaper

December 2022

*Main Contributor*

*Singapore*

- Developed OverPass, a Minimum Viable Product (MVP) that applied interactive proof to optimize smart contracts and provide cheaper gas consumption for complex computation on the Ethereum Virtual Machine (EVM).
- Designed a new blockchain ecosystem model that involved untrusted "advisors" to provide cheaper trustworthy computation.
- Explored the potential development trend of blockchain and EVM, providing insights into the future of blockchain technology.

### Rare Resources Trading System with Blockchain

February 2022

*Co-Developer*

*Singapore*

- Developed an ERC721 token for trading rare resources, such as  $CO_2$  emissions, on a blockchain network.
- Built a React frontend for trading the tokens, providing a user-friendly interface for traders to interact with the blockchain network.

### Ethereum Risky Transaction Detection System

February 2022

*Independent Developer*

*Singapore*

- Developed an on-chain solidity bank that provided efficient 2-factor authentication for users.
- Created moderation policies that detected risky transactions on the Ethereum network, allowing for proactive risk management.

## Certificate & Reward

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### CS198.2x: Blockchain Technology, UCBerkeley

February 2023

*Issuer: edX (UCBerkeley)*

*Credential*

### Dean's List

May 2022

*Issuer: NUS, SOC*

*Credential*

### Top Student in Computer Security

January 2022

*Issuer: NUS, SOC*

*Credential*

### Cryptography I, Dan Boneh

December 2021

*Issuer: Coursera(Stanford)*

*Credential*

### 2nd Place Enthusiast, Singapore Blockchain Innovation Challenge

December 2021

*Issuer: SBIP*

*Credential*

### Orbital - Apollo 11 (Advanced)

August 2021

*Issuer: NUS, SOC*

*Credential*

## Technical Skills

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**Languages:** Solidity, Go, Java, C++/C, Python, JavaScript/HTML/CSS, SQL, Rust

**Developer Tools:** Ganache, Tableau, Looker, VS Code, IntelliJ IDEA, Vim, Fiddler, Wireshark, Kali Linux, VMware

**Technologies:** Natural Language Processing (NLP), Spring Boot, MySQL, Cryptography, Scrapy, Blockchain, Redis, Time Series Database (TS-Database), Message Queue (MQ)