# Yiming Zhang

Tsinghua University
Department of Computer Science and Technology
FIT 4-204, Tsinghua University, 100084, Beijing, China

zhangyim17@tsinghua.org.cn +86 132-6175-0179 cypher-z.github.io

#### **EDUCATION**

# Ph.D. Tsinghua University, China, 2017-2022

Ph.D. in Department of Computer Science and Technology

- Thesis: Vulnerability Analysis and Measurement Study of Authentication Mechanisms in the Mobile Communication Network Evolution
- Advisor: Prof. Haixin Duan

# B.S. Tsinghua University, China, 2013-2017

B.S. in Department of Physics Major in Fundamental Science of Mathematics and Physics; Rank: 9/56 Mnior in Computer Science and Technology

#### RESEARCH INTEREST

Internet Infrastructure Security; Cellular Communication System Security; Measurement Study; Data Driven Security

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

#### **Conference Papers**

- 10. Mingxuan Liu, **Yiming Zhang**, Baojun Liu, Haixin Duan. *Exploring the Characteristics and Security Risks of Emerging Emoji Domain Names*. In European Symposium on Research in Computer Security (**ESORICS**), 2022.
- 9. **Yiming Zhang**, Mingxuan Liu, Mingming Zhang, Chaoyi Lu, Haixin Duan. *Ethics in Security Research: Visions, Reality, and Paths Forward.* In Proceedings of the 1st International Workshop on Ethics in Computer Security (**EthiCS**), 2022.
- 8. Shiyue Nie, **Yiming Zhang**, Tao Wan, Haixin Duan, Song Li. *Measuring the Deployment of 5G Security Enhancement*. In Proceedings of the 15th ACM Conference on Security and Privacy in Wireless and Mobile Networks (**WiSec**), 2022.
- 7. Mingxuan Liu, **Yiming Zhang**, Baojun Liu, Zhou Li, Haixin Duan, and Donghong Sun. *Detecting and Characterizing SMS Spearphising Attacks*. In Annual Computer Security Applications Conference (**ACSAC**), 2021.
- 6. **Yiming Zhang**, Baojun Liu, Chaoyi Lu, Zhou Li, Haixin Duan, Jiachen Li, and Zaifeng Zhang. *Rusted Anchors: A National Client-Side View of Hidden Root CAs in the Web PKI Ecosystem*. In Proceedings of the 2021 ACM SIGSAC Conference on Computer and Communications Security (**CCS**), 2021.
- 5. Hui Gao, **Yiming Zhang**, Tao Wan, Jia Zhang, and Haixin Duan. *On Evaluating Delegated Digital Signing of Broadcasting Messages in 5G.* In 2021 IEEE Global Communications Conference (**GLOBECOM**), 2021.

- 4. Chaoyi Lu, Baojun Liu, **Yiming Zhang**, Zhou Li, Fenglu Zhang, Haixin Duan, Ying Liu, Joann Qiongna Chen, Jinjin Liang, Zaifeng Zhang, Shuang Hao, and Min Yang. *From WHOIS to WHOWAS: A Large-Scale Measurement Study of Domain Registration Privacy under the GDPR*. In Proceedings of the 28th Annual Network and Distributed System Security Symposium (**NDSS**), 2021.
- 3. **Yiming Zhang**, Baojun Liu, Chaoyi Lu, Zhou Li, Haixin Duan, Shuang Hao, Mingxuan Liu, Ying Liu, Dong Wang and Qiang Li. *Lies in the Air: Characterizing Fake-base-station Spam Ecosystem in China*. In Proceedings of the 2020 ACM SIGSAC Conference on Computer and Communications Security (**CCS**), 2020.
- 2. Zihan Zhang, Mingxuan Liu, Chao Zhang, **Yiming Zhang**, Zhou Li, Qi Li, Haixin Duan, and Donghong Sun. *Argot: Generating Adversarial Readable Chinese Texts*. In Proceedings of the Twenty-Ninth International Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence (**IJCAI**), 2020.
- I. Baojun Liu, Zhou Li, Peiyuan Zong, Chaoyi Lu, Haixin Duan, Ying Liu, Sumayah Alrwais, Xiaofeng Wang, Shuang Hao, Yaoqi Jia, **Yiming Zhang**, Kai Chen and Zaifeng Zhang. *TraffickStop: Detecting and Measuring Illicit Traffic Monetization Through Large-scale DNS Analysis.* In 2019 IEEE European Symposium on Security and Privacy (**EuroS&P**), 2019.

#### **Journal Articles**

- 2. Mingxuan Liu, Zihan Zhang, **Yiming Zhang**, Chao Zhang, Zhou Li, Qi Li, Haixin Duan and Donghong Sun. *Automatic Generation of Adversarial Readable Chinese Texts.* In IEEE Transactions on Dependable and Secure Computing (**TDSC**), 2022.
- I. Yu Wang, **Yiming Zhang**, Jia Zhang, Haixin Duan. *Study on Promotional Infections Hosting on Educational Websites.* In Journal on Communications, 2018.

#### **Patents**

I. **Yiming Zhang**, Baojun Liu, Chaoyi Lu, Haixin Duan, Jiachen Li and Wu Liu. *A Method and Appliance for Detecting the Security of Network Access.* Chinese patent 202111284859.6.

#### **INVITED TALKS**

- Ethics in Cybersecurity and Network Measurement Research.
  Institute of Computing Technology, Chinese Academy of Sciences, Beijing, China.
- Lies in the Air: Characterizing Fake-base-station Spam Ecosystem in China. Tsinghua University, Beijing, China.

# **CONFERENCE ACTIVITY**

#### Conference Papers Presented<sup>1</sup>

Yiming Zhang, Baojun Liu, Chaoyi Lu, Zhou Li, Haixin Duan, Jiachen Li, and Zaifeng Zhang. Rusted Anchors: A National Client-Side View of Hidden Root CAs in the Web PKI Ecosystem. In Proceedings of the 2021 ACM SIGSAC Conference on Computer and Communications Security (CCS), 2021.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Oral presentation as the speaker

Yiming Zhang, Baojun Liu, Chaoyi Lu, Zhou Li, Haixin Duan, Shuang Hao, Mingxuan Liu, Ying Liu, Dong Wang and Qiang Li. *Lies in the Air: Characterizing Fake-base-station Spam Ecosystem in China*. In Proceedings of the 2020 ACM SIGSAC Conference on Computer and Communications Security (CCS), 2020.

#### **Invited Panelist**

Ethical Considerations in Cyberspace Security Research. International Forum for Security Research. Beijing, China.

## **HONORS AND AWARDS**

2019	State Scholarship Fund, China Scholarship Council.
2019	First Prize in Next Generation Internet Technology Innovation Competition, CERNET.
2018	Tsinghua-Samsung Scholarship, Tsinghua University.
2018	Outstanding Student Cadre, Tsinghua University.
2016	National Scholarship, Ministry of Education, China.

#### **SERVICE**

# Academic Conference External Review NDSS 2020, 2022

DSN 2020

ESORICS 2018, 2019

**ICICS 2019** 

### **MEDIA**

2022	<b>APNIC Blog</b> . Investigating hidden root certificates in the wild.
2021	<b>The Register</b> . Web trust dies in darkness: Hidden Certificate Authorities undermine public crypto infrastructure.
202I	HelpNetSecurity. Researchers shed light on hidden root CAs.

#### **EXPERIENCE**

2019	Research Intern, Industrial Internet Security Research Center, Qihoo 360, Beijing, China.
2018	Research Intern, Technology Research Institute, QI-ANXIN, Beijing, China.
2017-20	Undergraduate Student Counselor, Tsinghua University.

Updated August 2022