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Education

Brandeis University — Waltham, MA
Bachelor of Science in Computer Science
Bachelor of Art in Mathematics — *Aug. 2014 – May 2018*

Johns Hopkins University — Baltimore, MD
Master of Science in Security Informatics — *Aug. 2019 – Dec. 2020*

Publication

Practical Blind Membership Inference Attack via Differential Comparisons
Bo Hui*, Yuchen Yang*, **Haolin Yuan***, Philippe Burlina, Neil Gong, Yinzhi Cao. **: equally contributed*
Network & Distributed System Security Symposium (NDSS), 2021, Under Review

WebAlly: A Friendsourcing Approach to Solve CAPTCHAs for People with Visual Impairments
Zhuohao Zhang, Zhilin Zhang, **Haolin Yuan**, Nata M Barbosa, Sauvik Das, Yang Wang
ACM Conference on Computer-Supported Cooperateive Work and Social Computing(CSCW), 2021, Submitted

A High-Performance Memory Key-Value Database Based on Redis
Qian Liu, **Haolin Yuan**
Accepted by Journal of Computers, 1796-203X

Research Experience

Practical Blind Membership Inference Attack via Differential Comparison — Mar.2020 – Aug.2020
Johns Hopkins University — *Baltimore, MD*

- Implemented most of state-of-the-art membership inference attacks and defenses, such as Top-3 NN attack, Top1-threshold attack, Label only attack, etc.
- Designed a novel algorithm for the attack mechanism using differential comparison
- Designed different settings that closely simulate different environments for MI attacks
- Improved the attack performance by 20% compared to state-of-the-art MI attacks

WebAlly–A case study of Web-task friend sourcing in solving CAPTCHA — Jun.2020 – Present
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign — *Champaign, IL*

- Designed the privacy-guaranteed tool that utilizes friend sourcing to help people with visual impairment to solve online CAPTCHA tasks
- Empolyed DNN models to do privacy detection in given images for potential functionalities
- Implemented YOLOv3 and Microsoft Azure to compare their performances in detecting private contents

Phishing Website Detection based Data Mining — Aug.2019 – Dec.2019
Institute of information engineering, Chinese Academy of Sciences — *Beijing, China*

- Took charge of data mining, data cleaning, feature extraction and division under high-speed network flow
- Created an algorithm that calculated the similarity of source code for websites under high-speed network flow
- Brought forth a novel method that detected phishing websites by comparing imilarity of web caches

Yelp Fake Review Detection Based on Deep Learning — Aug.2019 – Dec.2019
Johns Hopkins University — *Baltimore, MD*

- Aimed at detecting fake review on Yelp restaurant and hotel data
- Based on different vectorization models, such as Doc2Vec and Bert, to explore different feature of information
- Compared different classification models among SVM, Bi-LSTM, and pre-trained model.

Teaching/Research Assistant Experience

Teaching Assistant | *Brandeis University* — Sep.2017 – Dec.2017
Course: Precalculus Mathematics — *Advisor: Porf. Rebecca Torrey*

Course Assistant | *Johns Hopkins University* — Sep.2020 – Dec.2020
Course: Web Security — *Advisor: Porf. Yinzhi Cao*

Research Assistant | *Johns Hopkins University* — Mar.2020 – Present
Department: Computer Science Department — *Supervisor: Porf. Yinzhi Cao*