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EDUCATION

University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA)

Los Angeles, CA

Ph.D. Candidate in Computer Science (GPA: 3.9/4.0)

September 2018 – Expected Jun 2023

Advisor: Prof. Songwu Lu

Research Interests: mobile & cloud systems and security, mobile edge computing, wireless networks

Shanghai Jiao Tong University (SJTU)

Shanghai, China

B.E. in Electrical & Electronic Engineering (Major GPA: 3.8/4.0)

June 2018

EXPERIENCE

Meta Platforms, Inc.

Palo Alto, CA

Software Engineer Intern | Golang, C++

Jun 2022 - Sep 2022

Developed performant and highly available 5G Core Network to support metaverse traffic requirements

Designed and developed extensible GTP modules for 5G Core Network Functions (NFs)

Developed eBPF-based high-performance data plane for distributive 5G NFs

MobIQ Technologies

Los Angeles, CA

Software Engineer | C/C++, Java, Android

2019 - 2020

Developed and patented a device-based mobile gaming latency reduction solution (1 US patent)

Designed the in-SIM network optimization for smart IoT devices

Cooperated with two of the top-five global phone vendors (Xiaomi & Vivo) for integration

Conducted 107 customer interviews in 7 weeks in NSF I-Corps incubator phase

University of California, Los Angeles

Los Angeles, CA

 $\textit{Graduate Researcher} \mid \textit{Python, C/C++, Java, Golang, Network Drivers, ML System}$

September 2018 – Present

Topics: VR/AR ML platform, network security, network system, network diagnosis

Shanghai Jiao Tong University

Shanghai, China

Undergraduate Research Assistant | Web, Python, MATLAB, PHP, SQL, JavaScript

April 2016 – June 2018

Topics: Scholar search engine, data visualization, and big data analytics on scholar networks

SELECTED PROJECTS

Mobile Edge Computing VR&AR Platform

Feb 2020 – Present

- Developed a full-fledged high-performance mobile edge computing platform for VR&AR applications
- Designed a device-based cellular latency reduction for mobile VR&AR application
- Developed Edge AR system supporting ML tasks, Point Cloud processing, 3D rendering and multi-user cooperation
- Devised a cellular IoT based AR system to support wide-area AR services on IoT devices

Mobile-Cloud System Security

June 2019 – Present

- Uncovered SIM/eSIM vulnerabilities causing eavesdropping, MITM attack, etc. & proposed a secure SIM solution
- Discovered insecurity in 5G RCS messaging system leading to diverse fraud and impersonation attacks
- Discovered diverse attacks on cellular IoT devices leading to wide-area DoS, battery draining, etc.

Network Platform & Analytics

May 2021 – Present

- Designed & developed the first open-sourced 5G/LTE eSIM platform with cloud & commodity cellular devices
- Developed the first open-sourced NB-IoT SDR Platform supporting commodity Cellular IoT devices
- Devised SIM-based cellular failure diagnosis for 5G/LTE core network & mobile devices

PUBLICATIONS

• J. Zhao, Z. Tan, Y. Xu, Z. Zhang and S. Lu. "SEED: A SIM-Based Solution to 5G Failures", ACM SIGCOMM 2022.

- J. Zhao*, Q. Li*, Z. Yuan, Z. Zhang and S. Lu. "5G Messaging: System Insecurity and Defenses", IEEE CNS 2022.
- Z. Zhang, Y. Li, Qianru Li, **J. Zhao**, G. Baig, L. Qiu, S. Lu. "Movement-Based Reliable Mobility Management for Beyond 5G Cellular Networks", IEEE/ACM Transactions on Networking (TON), 2022.
- Z. Tan, B. Ding, **J. Zhao**, Y. Guo, S. Lu. "Breaking Cellular IoT with Forged Data-Plane Signaling: Attacks and Countermeasure", ACM Transactions on Sensor Networks (**TOSN**), **2022**.
- J. Zhao, B.Ding, Y. Guo, Z. Tan and S. Lu. "SecureSIM: Rethinking Authentication and Access Control for SIM/eSIM", ACM MobiCom 2021.
- Z. Tan, B. Ding, J. Zhao, Y. Guo and S. Lu. "Data-Plane Signaling in Cellular IoT: Attacks and Defense", ACM MobiCom 2021.
- Y. Li, C. Peng, Z. Zhang, Z. Tan, H. Deng, **J. Zhao**, Q. Li, Y. Guo, K. Ling, B. Ding, H. Li, and S. Lu. "Experience: A Five-Year Retrospective of MobileInsight", **ACM MobiCom 2021.**
- B. Ding, J. Zhao, Z. Tan, and S. Lu. "Sonica: an open-source NB-IoT prototyping platform", ACM MobiCom 2021.
- Z. Tan, J. Zhao, Y. Li, Y. Xu, and S. Lu. "Device-Based LTE Latency Reduction at the Application Layer", USENIX NSDI 2021.
- Y.Li, Z. Yuan, **J.Zhao**, S. Lu. "Methods, systems, apparatuses and devices for facilitating optimizing of a network connection established between the device and one or more servers", US patent, US20210112509A1, Apr. 2021.
- K. Chen and J. Zhao. "Skip The Question You Don't Know: An Embedding Space Approach", IJCNN 2019.

SERVICES AND HONORS

CS118: Computer Network Fundamentals	Fall 2021 & Spring 2022
CS161: Fundamentals of Artificial Intelligence	Spring 2020 & Fall 2020 & Fall 2021
CS180: Introduction to Algorithms and Complexity	Summer 2020

SIGCOMM 2022 Travel Grant2022Member of Outstanding Engineers Education2017Academic Excellent Scholarship of SJTU2015-2017