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Research Interests

Computer Security, Cyber Security, Computer Architecture, AI Security, IoT/IoV

EDUCATION

EPF Lausanne - ETH Zurich

Lausanne/Zurich, Switzerland

Joint Master of Science in Computer Science - Cyber Security

Sep. 2021 – Present Shanghai, China

Shanghai Jiao Tong University

Sep. 2017 - June 2021

Bachelor of Engineering in Information Security, Minor in Japanese

Professional Experience

Shanghai Jiao Tong University

Oct. 2019 - May 2021

Research Assistant, AI Security Lab | Supervised by Ping Yi

Oct. 2019 - May 2021

- Proposed a new adversarial example defense method (DAFAR) based on feedback network (decoder).
- Implemented a prototype system of DAFAR using PyTorch and passed the acceptance check of HUAWEI.
- Wrote a paper and a patent about DAFAR.

RESEARCH PROJECTS

Attack Graph Generation Technique for V2X Internet of Vehicles | IoV Security

Jan. 2021 – June 2021

- Project: Bachelor Thesis
- Supervisor: Prof. Jin Ma (Associate Professor)
- Content: Design a real-time security information collection protocol in IoV to conduct real-time security situation awareness. Implement a prototype system of IoV attack graph generation system based on causality to analyze and assess risks in the system.
- Output: 1 Graduation Thesis, a prototype

RowHammer Mitigation Method | Computer Arch&Sec, DRAM

Sep. 2020 – June 2021

- **Project:** IGP-C Application
- Supervisor: Prof. Hiroshi Sasaki (Associate Professor, Tokyo Institute of Technology)
- Content: Study causes and characteristics of RowHammer, the existing attack methods based on RowHammer, and RowHammer mitigation methods. Summarized about 30 impactful works about RowHammer and proposed the preliminary design of a cache-based RowHammer mitigation mechanism.

Adversarial Example Defense Based on Feedback Network | Security in ML

Oct. 2019 – May 2021

- Project: Cybersecurity Innovation Joint Lab HUAWEI-SJTU, YBN2019105168-SOW06, \$100,000
- Supervisor: Prof. Ping Yi (Associate Professor), Dr. Hsiao-Ying Lin (Senior Researcher, Huawei International)
- Content: Propose a new adversarial example defense method based on a feedback network, which uses the feedback network to eliminate or detect the adversarial disturbance in input. Implement a prototype system.
- Output: Outstanding Individual Award, 1 manuscript, 1 patent (published), a prototype

A Semi Passive Security Analysis Tool for ICS | Network Security, Attack Graph

Oct. 2019 – Sep. 2020

- Project: The 13th National College Student Information Security Contest
- Supervisor: Prof. Gongshen Liu (Professor)
- Content: Propose a semi-passive method to dynamically collect network security information in ICS and conduct real-time situation awareness by Bayesian Attack Graph by improving MulVAL and Grassmarlin. Implement a prototype.
- Output: National First Prize, 1 patent (published), a prototype system

Retinal Scanning Display for Mixed Reality | AR, Optics, Waveguide, Laser

April 2018 - Sep. 2019

- Project: 34th Participation in Research Program (PRP) project, T030PRP34068
- Supervisor: Prof. CHAO PING CHEN (Associate Professor)
- Content: Present a design of a contact lens display, which features an array of collimated light-emitting diodes and a contact lens, for augmented reality. The resolution of light-emitting diodes is foveated to match the density of cones on the retina.
- Output: 1 journal paper (published), 1 conference paper (published), 1 patent (published)

Manuscript

[1]. **Haowen Liu**, Ping Yi, Hsiao-Ying Lin, Jie Shi, Weidong Qiu. DAFAR: Defending against Adversaries by Feedback-Autoencoder Reconstruction. *arXiv* preprint arXiv:2103.06487, 2021.

Conference

[1]. Jie Chen, Lantian Mi, Chao Ping Chen*, **Haowen Liu**, Jinghui Jiang, Wenbo Zhang, Yuan Liu. A Foveated Contact Lens Display for Augmented Reality. *Proc. SPIE*, Optical Architectures for Displays and Sensing in Augmented, Virtual, and Mixed Reality (AR, VR, MR) (SPIE AR VR MR), in San Francisco, California, United States, 2020. (Oral)

Journal

[1]. Jie Chen, Lantian Mi, Chao Ping Chen*, **Haowen Liu**, Jinghui Jiang, Wenbo Zhang. Design of Foveated Contact Lens Display for Augmented Reality. *Optics Express* (**OE**), Vol.27, No.26, pp. 38204-38219, 2019.

Patent

- [1]. Ping Yi, **Haowen Liu**, Hsiao-Ying Lin. System and Method of Adversarial Example Detection Based on Feedback Reconstruction. 2020.12, Publication Number: WO/2022/104503.
- [2]. Jianming Guo, Gongshen Liu, Zi'ang Chen, **Haowen Liu**, Zihan Liu. A Semi Passive Security Analysis Tool for Industrial Control Network Based on Bayesian Attack Graph. 2020.11, Publication Number: CN112653582B.
- [3]. Jie Chen, Chao Ping Chen, **Haowen Liu**, Jinghui Jiang, Lantian Mi. Intraocular Display Device Based on Retinal Scanning. 2019.12, Publication Number: CN110955063B.

Course Projects

Reliable and Trustworthy Artificial Intelligence: ReLU DeepPoly transformer and Verifier (PyTorch)

Network Security: Implementation of ACME Protocol (Python); Defend the Flag (nftables)

System Security: Exploiting an HTTPS webserver (Linux, Metasploit); Reverse Engineering an executable (Ghidra, z3); Writing an Intel SGX Enclave Application (C++)

Concurrent algorithms: Implementing a software transactional memory library (C)

Software security: Code review/Unit tests (C, Check); CTF; Symbolic Execution (Python); Fuzzing (C, AFL, libFuzzer)

Database Systems: Relational Operators and Execution Models (Scala); Implementing data processing pipelines over Apache Spark (Scala, Spark)

TCP/IP networking: A bunch of network practice using Mininet (Python, Mininet)

Technical Skills

Languages: Python, C/C++, Verilog, JavaScript, Scala, HTML, x86 Assembly

Frameworks: Django, PyTorch, Tensorflow, Flask

Developer Tools: Git, Ghidra, IDEA, PyCharm, Vivado, LATEX, Xcode, Sublime, libFuzzer Disciplines: Computer Security, Cryptography, Computer Architecture, Deep Learning, Electrics

Honors

- 2021, Outstanding Individual Award in Cybersecurity Innovation Joint Lab HUAWEI-SJTU (\$4000)
- 2020, Third Prize in 6th Qian Xuesen Cup Contest
- 2020, First Prize in 13th National College Student Information Security Contest (rate: nationwide 32/540,6%)
- 2020, Honorable Mention for Interdisciplinary Contest In Modeling
- 2019, AY 2018-2019 Academic Progress Scholarship
- 2019, AY 2018-2019 Class C of Excellent Undergraduate Scholarship
- 2019, **Honorable Mention** for Mathematical Contest In Modeling
- 2019, Outstanding Project in 34th PRP
- 2018, Third Prize in 35th National College Student Physics Contest (Shanghai Area)
- 2017, **Zhiyuan Honors** Program of Engineering Scholarship