

# ZHUO YING JIANG LI

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## EDUCATION

**King's College London**, London, UK 09/2019 – 06/2022 (expected)

BSc Computer Science: *Information Security, Cryptography, Operating Systems, Internet Systems, Compilers, Foundations of Computing (Maths), C++ for algorithms and data structures, Optimization Methods, Artificial Intelligence*

**IES Son Pacs**, Balearic Islands, Spain 09/2017 – 06/2019

International Baccalaureate, Grade: 45/45, Extended Essay (Maths): A

## SELECTED PROJECTS

**Regular expression matcher:** A regular expression matcher using Brzozowski algorithm 09/2021

- Derived and proved the correctness of the Brzozowski derivatives for extended regular expression operations
- Implemented the Brzozowski algorithm in a functional language (Scala)

**Userland shell:** A minimal userland shell written in Rust 09/2021 – Ongoing

- Implemented common internal commands, redirection and pipes
- Added support for background processes using threads

**Optiver volatility prediction:** Predict volatility given past trade and price series 08/2021 – 09/2021

- Implemented and compared different algorithms (decision trees and NN) in Python
- Optimized hyperparameters using Optuna
- Designed the prediction generator architecture having extensibility in mind

**Userland rootkit:** A Linux rootkit in C based on hijacking DLL 08/2021 – Ongoing

- Added support for hooking system calls using LD\_PRELOAD environment variable

**MapReduce client/server:** A MapReduce implementation in Golang 07/2021

- Implemented the MapReduce model based on the paper *MapReduce: Simplified Data Processing on Large Clusters* by Google and the MIT Distributed Systems course

**Sokoban solver:** A Sokoban solver using PDDL and OPTIC planner 04/2021

- Analysed and performed experiments with OPTIC planner applied to Sokoban game
- Wrote a detailed report in  $\text{\LaTeX}$

**Blog:** Hacking and competitions writeups Ongoing

- Worked on and analysed 20+ challenges and vulnerable machines on HackTheBox and other CTFs
- Wrote walkthroughs notes about operating system internals, shells, exploits

**Algorithms implementation:** Python implementation of algorithms Ongoing

- Implemented greedy and DPLL SAT solver
- Implemented algorithm to perform topological sorting given a directed graph
- Implemented algorithm to generate a connected components graph from a directed graph
- Implemented 2-opt TSP solver, to find local minimum weighted Hamiltonian cycle in a complete graph expressed with a cost adjacency matrix
- Implemented KMeans for clustering and Hunt algorithm for building a decision tree

## EXPERIENCE

**GIAC Hacker tools, techniques, exploits and incident handling training**, SANS Institute Remote

- Studied in detail defensive and offensive operations in internal networks

**CTF Content Creator**, SANS Institute Remote

- Designed a challenge about extracting confidential data from leaked .git directory

**HackTheBox Pro Hacker** Remote

- Solved (mostly) reverse engineering challenges using Ghidra, x64dbg and gdb
- Attacked 15+ (mostly) Linux machines

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| <b>SnapSense (Startup)</b>   | Remote  |
| Software Developer   | 03/2021 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Implemented a diabetes ulcer monitoring system using Ruby on Rails</li> <li>• Deployed resources and backend server to AWS using S3, RDS and EB cloud services</li> </ul> |         |
| <b>King's College London Chinese Students and Scholars Association</b>   | Remote  |
| Software Developer   | 09/2020 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Built a WeChat miniprogram for news, weather, restaurant listing, second hand exchange, events and more</li> <li>• Added support for one-click event booking</li> </ul>   |         |

## SELECTED AWARDS

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| • GIAC Advisory Board member (top performance)                        | 2020 |
| • Undergraduate Informatics Year 1 or Year 2 Prize (best performance) | 2020 |
| • Silver Prize, Iberoamerican Olympiad in Chemistry                   | 2019 |
| • Silver Prize, National Olympiad in Chemistry                        | 2019 |
| • Silver Prize, National Olympiad in Physics                          | 2019 |

## SKILLS

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**Programming Languages:** Python, Golang, C++, C, Rust, Ruby, Scala, JavaScript, Java (ranked by proficiency)

**Tools and Frameworks:** Pytorch, Tensorflow, Docker, Ruby on Rails, Vue, React, React Native, Git,  $\LaTeX$