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## RESEARCH OBJECTIVE

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| System Security  | • Linux Kernel Security               |
| Program Analysis | • Static Analysis, Symbolic Execution |

## EDUCATION

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| 09/2016 – present | <b>Ph.D.</b> in Computer Science, University of California, Riverside, USA<br>Advisor: Zhiyun Qian & Srikanth V. Krishnamurthy |
| 09/2015 – 06/2016 | <b>Study Abroad</b> in Software Engineering, University of Limerick, Ireland   |
| 09/2012 – 06/2016 | <b>Bachelor</b> in Software Engineering, Xidian University, China<br>GPA : 3.82/4.0, 91/100 (ranked 1st)                       |
| 09/2009 – 06/2012 | The Affiliated High School Of Shanxi University, Shanxi Province, China  |

## ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

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| 09/2016 – present | <b>Graduate Student Researcher</b><br>Center for Research and Education in Cyber Security and Privacy (CRESP)<br>University of California, Riverside, USA |
| 06/2021 – 09/2021 | <b>Research Intern</b><br>Samsung Research America, USA   |
| 06/2020 – 09/2020 | <b>Research Intern</b><br>Baidu X-Lab, USA  |

## PUBLICATIONS

### CONFERENCE

- [C3]  
**NDSS 22** Progressive Scrutiny: Incremental Detection of UBI bugs in the Linux Kernel  
Yizhuo Zhai, **Yu Hao**, Zheng Zhang, Weiteng Chen, Guoren Li, Zhiyun Qian, Chengyu Song, Manu Sridharan, Srikanth V. Krishnamurthy, Trent Jaeger, Paul Yu  
*Network and Distributed System Security Symposium, NDSS 2022.*   [Tool](#)  [Recording](#)  
◆ Linux Kernel Security, Static Analysis, Symbolic Execution  
● Selected Patches for Linux kernel: [\[Patch1\]](#) [\[Patch2\]](#) [\[Patch3\]](#)
- [C2]  
**CCS 21** Statically Discovering High-Order Taint Style Vulnerabilities in OS Kernels  
Hang Zhang, Weiteng Chen, **Yu Hao**, Guoren Li, Yizhuo Zhai, Xiaochen Zou, Zhiyun Qian  
*ACM SIGSAC Conference on Computer and Communications Security, CCS 21.*   [Tool](#)  
◆ Linux Kernel Security, Static Analysis
- [C1]  
**ESEC/FSE 20** UBITect: A Precise and Scalable Method to Detect Use-before-Initialization Bugs in Linux Kernel  
Yizhuo Zhai, **Yu Hao**, Hang Zhang, Daimeng Wang, Chengyu Song, Zhiyun Qian, Mohsen Lesani, Srikanth V. Krishnamurthy, Paul Yu  
*ACM SIGSOFT International Symposium on Foundations of Software Engineering, FSE 20.*  
  [Tool](#)  [Recording](#)  
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### POSTER

[Poster1] Poster: Assisting Static Analysis with Large Language Models: A ChatGPT Experiment  
Haonan Li, Yu Hao, **Yizhuo Zhai**, Zhiyun Qian  
2023 IEEE Symposium on Security and Privacy (S&P 2023)

## AWARDS & HONORS

2022 CCS Student Travel Grant  
2019 S&P Student Travel Grant  
2016 Dean's Distinguished Fellowship Award at University of California, Riverside  
Presidents Volunteer Award (Bronze) at University of Limerick, Ireland  
2015 First Prize First Prize Department Scholarship at Xidian University  
2014 National Scholarship (top1%) at Xidian University  
Special Scholarship at Xidian University  
2013 First Prize Department Scholarship at Xidian University  
Special Scholarship at Xidian University  
2011 First Prize at China High School Biology Olympiad (Shanxi Province, rank 33)  
Second Prize at China High School Biology Olympiad (National)  
2009 First Prize at Junior High School Biology Competition (Shanxi Province)

## REFERENCES

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**Srikanth V. Krishnamurthy** *Professor, IEEE Fellow*  
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