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Security enthusiast, interested particularly in Fuzzing, Web Security, Usable Security and Privacy.

FDUCATION

UNIVERSITÄT DES SAARLANDES

M.Sc. IN COMPUTER SCIENCE Oct'18-Feb'22 | Saarbrücken, Germany CPI 1.4/4.0 (Best=1.0)

IIT BOMBAY

B.Tech in Computer Science Jul'11-May'15 | Mumbai, India CPI 7.50/10.0 (Best=10.0)

SKILLS

PROGRAMMING

Python • C • C++ • Java • Bash • R • LLVM IR • HTML/CSS • Javascript • Assembly

OTHERS

MySQL• PostgreSQL • Django • BDD • MTFX • LXD • Protobuf • Docker • TDD

COURSEWORK

- Secure Web Development
- Web Security
- Generating Software Tests (Research Asst)
- Usable Security (Research & Teaching Asst)
- Security
- Operating Systems
- Distributed Systems
- Computer Architecture
- Database and Information Systems
- Computer Networks (Teaching Asst)
- Artificial Intelligence
- Data Structures and Algorithms
- Discrete Structures
- Software Systems

EXTRACURRICULARS

LANGUAGES

Assamese • English (C2) • German (B1) • French (A1) • Hindi/Urdu • Bengali

SPORTS

Volleyball • Table Tennis • Cricket

HOBBIES & INTERESTS

Hiking • Comics • Penpalling • Learning languages • Philately • History

LINKS

Webpage://abhilashgupta Github://abhilashgupta LinkedIn://guptaabhilash

EXPERIENCE

CISPA | STUDENT RESEARCHER | Sep'19 - Present | SB, Germany

- Developed a C++ tool to mutate benign C code into vulnerable LLVM IR code
- Developed a Python client API support tool for the Debug Adapter Protocol
- Implemented the LLVM IR version of the F1 fuzzer
- Studied car drivers' information demand on safety and security critical incidents [1]
- Studied people's privacy perceptions on shared device usage

JUNIPER NETWORKS | SE III | Aug'15 - Aug'18 | Bengaluru, India

- Led the Packet Forwarding Engine Unit testing Framework project
- Designed a Docker solution to test devices on any machine by leveraging RPCs
- Reduced the PFE Unit testing time by over 70%
- Worked on features such as IRB, BFD and private VLANs on the EX series switches

SAMSUNG R&D CENTER | INTERN | Summer 14 | Bengaluru, India

- Worked on porting LTE simulator hardware dependencies to Intel DPDK
- Achieved successful call setup between the simulator and a target machine

WEGILANT NET SOLUTIONS | INTERN | Summer'13 | Mumbai, India

- Developed a Java based admin page scanner and phishing page generator
- Wrote a white paper for the company describing fuzzing practices at Mozilla

KEY PROJECTS

Option fuzzing coreutils binaries

Fuzzed coreutils tools by automatically extracting their configuration options

Secure E-Commerce Application

Developed a secure webapp capable of SSO. account management and online marketplace

Student Activity Management System

Designed relational models with 70+ relations and developed in JSP; PostgreSQL backend

Yet-Another File System

Implemented a multi-server FS with file sharing, caching lock servers and Paxos

Online Fashion Advisor

Developed webapp to advice clothes based on user's physique e.g., height

Freshmen Orientation App

Created hi-fi prototype app in Axure RP via user-centred design

THESIS

Grammar Fuzzing Command line utilities in Linux Oct'21 - Present Grammar fuzzed 44 CLI utilities in Linux and discovered failures in 11 utilities

Browser Defenses against XSS Attacks [2]

Jan'15 - May'15

Developed a Firefox browser extension that mitigates XSS and clickjacking attacks

PUBLICATIONS

[1] Investigating Car Drivers' Information Demand after Safety and Security Critical Incidents at CHI Conf. on Human Factors in Computing Systems, 2021

[2] Two for the price of one: A combined browser defense against XSS and clickjacking at Intl. Conf. on Computing, Networking and Communications, 2016

OTHER ACTIVITIES

2020	Awarded the Saarland Stipendium Scholarship
2017-2019	Open-source contributions to Duckduckgo and FuzzingBook
2014	Semi-finalist at Code-Uncode, a secure programming competition
2014-2015	Led the CSE Department Academic Mentorship Program at IITB
2013	Qualified for ACM-ICPC Asia Amritapuri onsite regional rounds
2013	Awarded special mention for Fashion Advisor App at Yahoo HackU
2011	Indian National Mathematics Olympiad (INMO) Finalist
2011-2013	Represented IIT Bombay in Kho-kho, an outdoor Indian sport
2007-2015	Awarded the NTSE scholarship