Curriculum Vitae

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Summary

I am interested in algorithmic verification, formal verification, and programming languages. I develop new techniques to improve the reliability of software systems. I work in a variety of application areas including concurrent programs, distributed systems, blockchain, smart contracts, and asynchronous programs.

Education

Doctorate — Computer Science

Dec 2017 - Mar 2021

Thesis Title: Automated Verification of Programs Running on top of Distributed Systems

University of Paris, France

Advisors: Ahmed Bouajjani and Constantin Enea

Thesis Title: Towards the Design Automation of Quantum Circuits

Thesis Title: Formalization of Signal-Flow Graphs in HOL

Master of Applied Science — Computer Engineering

Sep 2014 - Nov 2016

Concordia University, Canada

Advisor: Sofiène Tahar

Engineer's Degree — Polytechnicien

Sep 2011 – Jun 2014

Tunisia Polytechnic School, Tunisia

Advisor: Sofiène Tahar

DEUPC — Mathematics and Physics

Advisor: Mohamed Moujtaba

Sep 2009 – Jun 2011

Sfax Preparatory Engineering Institute

University of Sfax, Tunisia

Nouakchott, Mauritania

***** Experience

Postdoctoral Researcher, University of Toronto Advisors: Fan Long and Andreas Veneris	Jun 2021 – present Toronto, Canada
Mitacs Accelerate Postdoctoral Fellow, University of Toronto and Bank of Canada	Sep 2022 – present
Course Instructor, University of Toronto	Sep 2022 – present
Research Assistant, University of Paris Advisors: Ahmed Bouajjani and Constantin Enea	Dec 2017 – May 2021 Paris, France
Teaching Assistant, University of Paris	Sep 2018 – Jan 2021
Research Intern, SRI International Advisor: Michael Emmi	Apr 2019 – Aug 2019 New York City, USA
Software Programmer, TRU Simulation + Training	May 2017 – Dec 2017 Montréal, Canada
Research Assistant, Concordia University Advisor: Sofiène Tahar	Mar 2014 – Nov 2016 Montréal, Canada
Teaching Assistant, Concordia University	Sep 2015 – May 2016
Research Engineer, Marinvent inc. Advisor: Sofiène Tahar	Mar 2016 – Nov 2016 Montréal, Canada
Intern, STMicroelectronics Advisor: Mohamed Ben Ahmed	Jul 2013 – Aug 2013 Tunis, Tunisia
Intern, Mauritel S.A	Aug 2012 – Aug 2012

Awards and Recognitions

- IEEE ICBC Distinguished Paper Award, 2022.
- Invited to a Journal Special Issue for Selected CONCUR 2019 Papers, 2019.
- Best Undergraduate Thesis, Tunisia Polytechnic School, 2014.
- Ranked 31st in the National Grandes Ecoles Exam, Tunisia, 2011.
- Olympian in the International Mathematical Olympiad, Germany, 2009.
- Ranked 3rd in the National Mathematical Olympiad, Mauritania, 2009.
- Ranked 1st in the National Bac Exam in Mathematics, Mauritania, 2009.

Grants and Scholarships

- Smart Contract Research Forum Grant, 2022, USD 1000.
- VMW Scholarship Award for CAV 2016, USD 650.
- Concordia Graduate Student Association Conference Funding for CAV 2016, CAD 100.
- Concordia University Conference and Exposition Award for NFM 2016, CAD 1,000.
- Graduate Student Support Program, Concordia University, 2014 2016, CAD 20,000.
- National Scholarship, Mauritania, 2009 2014, EUR 13,500.
- Scholarship Award to Participate in the International Mathematical Olympiad, Mauritania, 2009, EUR 1,000.

Service

- Co-organizer, IRIF Verification Seminar, Mar 2020 July 2020.
- Artificat Evaluation Committees: POPL 2021, CAV 2021, OOPSLA 2021, POPL 2022, OOPSLA 2022.
- Extended Review Committees: OOPSLA 2022.
- Sub-Reviewer: FTSCS 2016, VMCAI 2020, CAV 2020, Blockchain 2021, ICBC 2022, ICDCS 2022.
- Journal Invited Reviewer: IEEE Transactions on Network and Service Management
- Student Volunteer: CAV 2016.

Journal Publications

LMPT: A Novel Authenticated Data Structure to Eliminate Storage Bottlenecks for High Performance Blockchains

Jemin Andrew Choi, **Sidi Mohamed Beillahi**, Srisht Fateh Singh, Panagiotis Michalopoulos, Peilun Li, Andreas Veneris, Fan Long

Under submission to IEEE Transactions on Network and Service Management **Invited special issue for best papers from ICBC 2022**

SigVM: Enabling Event-Driven Execution for Truly Decentralized Smart Contracts

Oct 2022

J3 Zihan Zhao, **Sidi Mohamed Beillahi**, Ryan Song, Yuxi Cai, Andreas Veneris, Fan Long *Proceedings of the ACM on Programming Languages, 6(OOPSLA2), 149:673 – 149:698*

Robustness Against Transactional Causal Consistency

Feb 2021

J2 Sidi Mohamed Beillahi, Ahmed Bouajjani, Constantin Enea
Logical Methods in Computer Science, 17(1): 12:1 – 12:42
Invited special issue for selected papers from CONCUR 2019

A Modeling and Verification Framework for Optical Quantum Circuit

Mar 2019

J1 Sidi Mohamed Beillahi, Mohamed Yousri Mahmoud, Sofiène Tahar Formal Aspects of Computing, 31(3): 321 – 351

*	Conference Publications	
C12	FlashSyn: Flash Loan Attack Synthesis via Counterexample-Driven Approximation Zhiyang Chen, Sidi Mohamed Beillahi, Fan Long under submission, https://arxiv.org/abs/2206.10708	2022
C11	LVMT: An Efficient Authenticated Storage for Blockchain Chenxing Li, Sidi Mohamed Beillahi, Guang Yang, Ming Wu, Wei Xu, Fan Long under submission, 2022	2022
C10	Automated Synthesis of Asynchronizations Sidi Mohamed Beillahi, Ahmed Bouajjani, Constantin Enea, Shuvendu Lahiri 29th Static Analysis Symposium (SAS), 2022	Dec 2022
C9	Automated Auditing of Price Gouging TOD Vulnerabilities in Smart Contracts Sidi Mohamed Beillahi, Eric Keilty, Keerthi Nelaturu, Andreas Veneris, Fan Long In Proc. IEEE International Conference on Blockchain and Cryptocurrency (ICBC), 2022	May 2022
C8	LMPTs: Eliminating Storage Bottlenecks for Processing Blockchain Transactions Jemin Andrew Choi, Sidi Mohamed Beillahi, Peilun Li, Andreas Veneris, Fan Long In Proc. IEEE International Conference on Blockchain and Cryptocurrency (ICBC), 2022 IEEE ICBC Distinguished Paper Award.	May 2022
C7	Smart Contracts Refinement for Gas Optimization Keerthi Nelaturu, Sidi Mohamed Beillahi, Fan Long, Andreas Veneris In Proc. 3rd Conference on Blockchain Research & Applications for Innovative Networks and Services (BRAINS), 2021	Sep 2021
C6	Checking Robustness Between Weak Transactional Consistency Models Sidi Mohamed Beillahi, Ahmed Bouajjani, Constantin Enea In Proc. 30th European Symposium on Programming (ESOP), 2021	Mar 2021
C5	Behavioral Simulation for Smart Contracts Sidi Mohamed Beillahi, Gabriela Ciocarlie, Michael Emmi, Constantin Enea In Proc. 41st annual ACM SIGPLAN conference on Programming Language Design and Implementation (PLDI), 2020	Jun 2020
C4	Robustness Against Transactional Causal Consistency Sidi Mohamed Beillahi, Ahmed Bouajjani, Constantin Enea In Proc. 30th International Conference on Concurrency Theory (CONCUR), 2019 Invited to a Journal Special Issue for Selected CONCUR 2019 Papers.	Sep 2019
C3	Checking Robustness Against Snapshot Isolation Sidi Mohamed Beillahi, Ahmed Bouajjani, Constantin Enea In Proc. 31st International Conference on Computer Aided Verification (CAV), 2019	Jul 2019
C2	Hierarchical Verification of Quantum Circuits Sidi Mohamed Beillahi, Mohamed Yousri Mahmoud, Sofiène Tahar In Proc. 8th International Symposium NASA Formal Methods (NFM), 2016	Jun 2016
C1	Formal Analysis of Power Electronic Systems Sidi Mohamed Beillahi, Umair Siddique, Sofiène Tahar In Proc. 17th International Conference on Formal Engineering Methods (ICFEM), 2015	Nov 2015
❖ Workshop Publications		
W3	Formal Analysis of Engineering Systems Based on Signal-Flow-Graph Theory Sidi Mohamed Beillahi, Umair Siddique, Sofiène Tahar In Proc. 9th International Workshop Numerical Software Verification (NSV-CAV), 2016	Jul 2016
W2	On the Formal Analysis of Photonic Signal Processing Systems Umair Siddique, Sidi Mohamed Beillahi, Sofiène Tahar In Proc. 20th International Workshop Formal Methods for Industrial Critical Systems (FMICS), 2015	Jun 2015

A Tool for the Formal Verification of Quantum Optical Computing Systems

Sidi Mohamed Beillahi, Mohamed Yousri Mahmoud, Sofiène Tahar *In Proc. Automated Reasoning Workshop (ARW)*, 2015

Teaching

W1

- Course Instructor at University of Toronto
 - ECE345H1F: Algorithms & Data Structures for 3rd Year Computer Engineering Students, Sep 2022 Dec 2022.
- Teaching Assistantships at University of Paris
 - Automata and Lexical Analysis for 2nd Year Computer Science Students, Sep 2020 Dec 2020.
 - Principles of Binary Machines for 1st Year Computer Science Students, Sep 2020 Dec 2020.
 - Java Programming for 1st Year Computer Science Students, Sep 2019 Dec 2019.
 - Principles of Object-Oriented Programming in Java for 2nd Year Computer Science Students, Sep 2019 Dec 2019.
 - Python Programming for 1st Year Social Science Students, Sep 2018 Dec 2018.
 - Relational Databases and SQL for 2nd Year Computer Science Students, Sep 2018 Dec 2018.
- Teaching Assistantships at Concordia University
 - Hardward Functional Verification for Graduate and Senior Undergraduate Students, Jan 2016 Apr 2016.
 - Computer Architecture and Design for Graduate Students, Jan 2016 Apr 2016.
 - Digital Design for Undergraduate Students, Jan 2016 Apr 2016.
 - Microprocessors and their Applications for Graduate Students, Sep 2015 Dec 2015.

Supervision

- Keerthi Nelaturu, Ph.D. student, University of Toronto
- Zihan Zhao, MASc student, University of Toronto
- Zhiyang Chen, MASc student, University of Toronto
- Eric Keilty, MASc student, University of Toronto
- Xun Deng, MASc student, University of Toronto

Talks

SigVM: Enabling Event-Driven Execution for Truly Decentralized Smart Contracts Research Meeting with Bank of Canada, University of Toronto	Jul 2022
Automated Auditing of Price Gouging TOD Vulnerabilities in Smart Contracts ICBC 2022, Shanghai, China (virtual)	May 2022
Checking Robustness Between Weak Transactional Consistency Models ANR Project AdeCoDS Meeting, LIP6, Sorbonne University (virtual) IRIF Verification Seminar, University of Paris (virtual) ESOP 2021, Luxembourg, Luxembourg (virtual)	Jun 2021 May 2021 Mar 2021
Behavioral Simulation for Smart Contracts GROUP SEMINAR, University of Toronto (virtual) SEMINAR UM6P-CS, Morocco (virtual) PLDI 2020, London, UK (virtual)	Dec 2021 Jul 2020 Jun 2020
Robustness Against Transactional Causal Consistency IRIF Verification Seminar, University of Paris CONCUR 2019, Amsterdam, Netherlands	Dec 2019 Sep 2019
Checking Robustness Against Snapshot Isolation ANR Project AdeCoDS Kick-off Meeting, IRIF, University of Paris CAV 2019, New York City, USA	Nov 2019 Jul 2019

Formal Analysis of Engineering Systems Based on Signal-Flow-Graph Theory Jul 2016 NSV-CAV 2016 Toronto, Canada **Hierarchical Verification of Quantum Circuits** Jun 2016 NFM 2016 Minneapolis, USA Formal Analysis of Power Electronic Systems Oct 2015 Hardware Verification Group Meeting Concordia University On the Formal Analysis of Photonic Signal Processing Systems May 2015 Hardware Verification Group Meeting Concordia University