

# Eric Kilmer

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## Education

### The Pennsylvania State University

Schreyer Honors College, B.S. Computer Engineering  
Schreyer Honors College, M.S. Computer Science and Engineering

University Park, PA

Fall 2011 – Summer 2017  
Fall 2014 – Summer 2017

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## Research and Development

### Trail of Bits (New York, NY)

Full-time Employment

Remote–Boston, MA  
Feb. 2019 – Present

- Contributed various fixes and features to our Manticore symbolic execution engine
- Developed supporting research tools and experiments for the DARPA LADS (Leveraging the Analog Domain for Security) program
  - Analyzed and automated Javascript object memory layout extraction from Google's V8 engine
  - Developed Binary Ninja plugin to perform static analysis for backwards dataflow and memory accesses
  - Ported and retrofitted old QEMU fork to run the open source Solokey MFA device firmware (STM32L432) on QEMU v5
- Developed supporting research tools and experiments for the DARPA CHESS (Computers and Humans Exploring Software Security) program
  - Implemented new and fixed existing system call models in Manticore for network and file handling
  - Developed Manticore plugin to utilize DWARF debug information for more verbose function tracing and execution progress
  - Developed Manticore plugin to utilize DWARF debug information for detection of symbolic out-of-bound memory accesses of local variables
- Contributed in writing various DARPA and government SBIR proposals

### MIT Lincoln Laboratory

Full-time Employment

Lexington, MA

Jul. 2017 – Feb. 2019

- Developed simple source-level compiler transformations for the C programming language
- Developed a test harness to perform black-box testing and evaluation of resource-adaptive systems.
  - Programmed in Haskell using light formal methods for type-safety and compile-time confidence
  - Supported Amazon AWS ECS deployment and scaling
- Researched and composed new, modern, cyber security guidelines for government systems

### Master's Thesis

*Extending Vulnerability Discovery with Fuzzing and Symbolic Execution to Realistic Applications*

University Park, PA

2017

- Contributed features to open-source Cyber Grand Challenge solution, `angr`, written in Python
- Successfully reproduced CGC results on Ubuntu with real libc calls
- Performed experiments, collected results, and documented outcomes, shortcomings, and future work

### Symantec

Summer Internship: STAR Response Team

Los Angeles, CA

2016

- Reverse-engineered malware samples using binary analysis techniques
- Developed tool to extract features from binaries to assist in program author attribution (Python)

### Army Research Lab

Summer Research Internship

Adelphi, MD

2014, 2015

- Developed network decoders and detectors for an Army Research Lab's network analysis tool (Python)
- Reverse-engineered a Linux XOR-encoded DDoS malware with IDA Pro to write decoders for detection
- Conducted web application security analysis of machines on live networks

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## Publications

- N. Lageman, E. Kilmer, R. Walls, and P. McDaniel, "BinDNN: Resilient Function Matching Using Deep Learning," in *SECURECOMM*, Guangzhou, China, Oct. 2016.
- R. Walls, E. Kilmer, N. Lageman, and P. McDaniel, "Measuring the Impact and Perception of Acceptable Advertisements," in *ACM 2015 Internet Measurement Conference (IMC)*, Tokyo, Japan, Oct. 2015.

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## Core Technical Skills

**Languages:** Python, Haskell, C, Assembly (x86(-64)), Java, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, some C++

**Technology/Tools:** Docker, Vim, Git, Binary Ninja, man, IDA Pro