

Research Interests

cryptography (in particular quantum-safe cryptography), quantum algorithm design, computational complexity, formal verification of cryptography, theoretical computer science

Employment

- Sept. 2016 - present: **Assistant Professor**
Computer Science Department
Portland State University, Portland, OR, USA
- Sept. 2013 - Aug. 2016 **Postdoctoral Fellow**
Institute for Quantum Computing, and
Department of Combinatorics & Optimization
University of Waterloo, Waterloo, ON, Canada
Supervisors: Andrew Childs, Debbie Leung, Michele Mosca

Education

- Aug. 2008 - Aug. 2013 PhD, Computer Science and Engineering
Pennsylvania State University, University Park, PA, USA
Thesis: Quantum Computing: A Cryptographic Perspective
Advisor: Dr. [Sean Hallgren](#)
- Sept. 2004 - Jun. 2008 Bachelor of Science, Department of Information Security
University of Sci. and Tech. of China (USTC), Hefei, Anhui, China
Thesis: Primitives on Quantum Anonymous Communications
Advisor: Dr. Liusheng Huang & Dr. Baosen Shi

Honors & Awards

- Jan. 2015 **Plenary** talk at *QIP'15*, Sydney, Australia.
(Prestigious honor in quantum community)
- Sept. 2013 - Aug. 2016 Support from Cryptoworks21, Ontario Research Fund (ORF),
Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada (NSERC)
- May 2012 **Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award**, Pennsylvania State University
- August 2008 College of Engineering Fellowship, Pennsylvania State University
- July 2008 Outstanding Undergraduate Thesis Award, USTC

◇ External Funding

- **(Recommended to award)** AF:Medium:Collaborative Research (PI at PSU, two other PIs at UConn and UMaryland)
- (Pending) AF:Small (Single-PI)

Publications

(Note: papers in theoretical computer science list authors in **alphabetical** order by default.)

◇ Publications in Refereed Conferences

1. Quantum Collision-Finding in Non-Uniform Random Functions
Authors: Marko Balogh and Edward Eaton and Fang Song
To appear in *9th International Conference on Post-Quantum Cryptography (PQCrypto)*, 2018.
Available at *Cryptology ePrint Archive*: [Report 2017/688](#).
2. Quantum Security of NMAC and Related Constructions
Authors: Fang Song and Aaram Yun
In *37th International Cryptology Conference (CRYPTO)*, August 2017.
3. Zero-knowledge proof systems for QMA
Authors: Anne Broadbent, Zhengfeng Ji, Fang Song and John Watrous
In *57th Annual Symposium on Foundations of Computer Science (FOCS)*, October 2016.
Contributed talk at the *20th Annual Conference on Quantum Information Processing (QIP)*, January 2017.
4. Mitigating multi-target attacks in hash-based signatures
Authors: Andreas Hülsing, Joost Rijneveld and Fang Song
In *19th International Conference on the Theory and Practice of Public-Key Cryptography (PKC)*, March 2016.
This work has been adopted as a guideline in an *Internet Research Task Force draft* v10, July 2017.
5. Efficient quantum algorithms for computing class groups and solving the principal ideal problem in arbitrary degree number fields.
Authors: Jean-François Biasse and Fang Song.
In *27th ACM-SIAM Symposium on Discrete Algorithms (SODA)*, January 2016.
Contributed talk at the *20th Annual Conference on Quantum Information Processing (QIP)*, January 2017.
6. Making existentially unforgeable signatures strongly unforgeable in the quantum-random oracle model
Authors: Edward Eaton and Fang Song
In *10th Conference on the Theory of Quantum Computation, Communication and Cryptography (TQC)*, May 2015.
7. A note on quantum security for post-quantum cryptography
Authors: Fang Song
In *6th International Conference on Post-Quantum Cryptography (PQCrypto)*, October 2014.
8. A quantum algorithm for computing the unit group of an arbitrary degree number field
Authors: Kirsten Eisenträger, Sean Hallgren, Alexei Kitaev and Fang Song
In *46th Annual ACM Symposium on Theory of Computing (STOC)*, June 2014.
Plenary talk at *18th Conference on Quantum Information Processing (QIP)*, January 2015.
9. Feasibility and completeness of cryptographic tasks in the quantum world
Authors: Serge Fehr, Jonathan Katz, Fang Song, Hong-Sheng Zhou and Vassilis Zikas
In *10th Theory of Cryptography Conference (TCC)*, March 2013.
Also presented in *6th International Conference on Information Theoretic Security (ICITS)*, workshop track, August 2012.
10. Classical cryptographic protocols in a quantum world
Authors: Sean Hallgren, Adam Smith and Fang Song
In *Advances in Cryptology, 31st Annual Cryptology Conference (CRYPTO)*, August 2011.
Feature talk at *14th Workshop on Quantum Information Processing (QIP)*, January 2011.

◇ Publications in Refereed Journals

11. Classical cryptographic protocols in a quantum world
Authors: Sean Hallgren, Adam Smith, Fang Song
International Journal of Quantum Information, Volume 13, Issue 04, 2015. (by invitation)

◇ Manuscripts and Preprints

12. Pseudorandom states and unitaries, and applications to quantum money
Authors: Zhengfeng Ji, Yi-Kai Liu, Fang Song
Under submission. Available at [arXiv:1711.00385](https://arxiv.org/abs/1711.00385), November 2017
13. Basing cryptography on NP-hardness using quantum reductions
Authors: Nai-Hui Chia, Sean Hallgren, Fang Song
Under submission. October 2017
14. On quantum attacks against schemes relying on the hardness of finding a short generator of an ideal in $\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{p^n})$
Authors: Jean-François Biasse and Fang Song
CACR Tech Report CACR2015-12, September 2015.
Poster at *19th Conference on Quantum Information Processing (QIP)*, January, 2016.
Mentioned in “A Tricky Path to Quantum-Safe Encryption”, *Quanta Magazine*, September 9, 2015.

Teaching & Advising

◇ Advising

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| • Ph.D. | Sept. 2017 - | Asher Toback
Portland State University |
| • Undergraduate | Sept. 2016 - Jun. 2017 | Marko Balogh, <i>Honors Baccalaureate Thesis</i>
Portland State University
A research paper under submission |
| | May 2014 - Aug. 2014
(and continuing) | Edward Eaton, <i>Undergraduate Research Opportunities</i>
Institute for Quantum Computing, University of Waterloo
A research paper accepted in <i>TQC 2015</i>
Awarded <i>Outstanding Achievement in Graduate Studies</i>
as a M.Sc student at University of Waterloo |

◇ Courses

- Spring 2017 *CS 410/510 Introduction to Quantum Computing*, Portland State University
- Winter 2017 *CS 485/585 Introduction to Cryptography*, Portland State University
- Spring 2016 *QIC 891 Topics in Quantum Safe Cryptography*, Module 1: [Post-Quantum Cryptography](#), University of Waterloo
- Spring 2015 *QIC 890/891 Selected Advanced Topics in Quantum Information*, Module 1: Quantum Algorithms for Number Theory Problems, University of Waterloo

◇ Teaching Assistant

- Fall 2011, Spring 2011 *CMPSC464 Introduction to Theory of Computation*,
Department of CSE, Pennsylvania State University
Received Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award
- Fall 2008 *CMPSC311 Introduction to Systems Programming*
Department of CSE, Pennsylvania State University

Professional Activities

◇ Conference Program Committee member

- Theory of Quantum Computing ... (TQC) Sydney, Australia, July 2018
- Post-quantum Cryptography (PQC) Fort Lauderdale, Florida, April, 2018
- IACR Asiacrypt (ASIACRYPT) Hong Kong, China, December 2017
- Post-quantum Cryptography (PQC) Utrecht, the Netherlands, June, 2017
- Public Key Cryptography (PKC) Amsterdam, the Netherlands, March 2017
- Quantum Information Processing (QIP) Seattle, WA, January 2017

◇ (Organizing

- Jan. 2017 [Quantum day symposium at PDX](#), Portland State University
- Apr. 2015 - Aug. 2016 *Post-quantum crypto seminar* at University of Waterloo
founder and organizer
- Jun. 2012 *Graduate summer school on cryptography and principles of computer security*, Pennsylvania State University
helper and poster session coordinator

◇ Referee

- JOURNAL REVIEWER Algorithmica, IEEE Transaction on Information Theory, International Journal of Quantum Information, Theoretical Computer Science
- CONFERENCE REVIEWER PKC 2018, QIP 2018, Eurocrypt 2018, QCrypt 2017, Eurocrypt 2017, Crypto 2017, PQCrypto 2016, ISAAC 2015, QIP 2015, Asiacrypt 2014, QCrypt 2014, TQC 2014, TCC 2014, Crypto 2013, PQCrypto 2013, FOCS 2012, Crypto 2011

◇ Misc

- CONFERENCES ATTENDED Crypto 2017, Asia PQC Forum 2017, QIP17, FOCS16, Dagstuhl Workshop on Quantum Cryptanalysis, September 2015, Simon's Institute Crypto Workshop, June 2015, QIP, January 15, PQCrypto, October 2014; STOC, June 2014, NIST-UMD Workshop on Quantum Information and Computer Science, April 2014; Dagstuhl Workshop on Quantum Cryptanalysis, September 2013; QIP, January 2013; STOC June 2012, QIP'12, December 2011; Crypto, August 2011; STOC, June 2011; QIP, January 2011; STOC, June 2010; SODA, January 2009.

Selected Talks & Presentations

◇ Conference Presentations

- Zero-knowledge proof systems for QMA
 - *QIP 2017*, Seattle, WA, January 2017
 - *FOCS 2016*, New Brunswick, NJ. October 2016
- A quantum algorithm for computing the unit group in a number field of arbitrary degree
QIP 2015, **plenary** talk, Sydney, Australia. January 2015.
- Quantum security for post-quantum cryptography: quantum-friendly reductions
PQCrypto 2014, Waterloo, Canada. October 2014.
- Feasibility and completeness of cryptographic tasks in the quantum world
Poster at *STOC 2012*, New York, NY. June 2012.
- Classical cryptographic protocols in a quantum world
 - *CRYPTO 2011*, Santa Barbara, CA. August 2012.
 - *QIP 2011*, **featured** talk, Singapore. January 2011.

◇ Invited Talks

- Quantum computing and post-quantum computation
2nd PQC Asia Forum, Seoul, Korea. November 2016.
- Zero-knowledge proof systems for QMA
QUICS, University of Maryland, College Park, MD. October 2016.
- A quantum algorithm for computing the unit group in a number field of arbitrary degree
 - Academia Sinica, Taiwan. December 2014.
 - Department of Pure Mathematics, University of Waterloo. October 2014.
 - IQC, Quantum complexity seminar. December 2013.
- Cryptography in a quantum world
 - Institute for Quantum Computing. February 2013.
 - Cryptography group, Aarhus University. January 2013.

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