

# Yongming Fan

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## EDUCATION BACKGROUND

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### Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN

May 2025

- **Doctor of Philosophy: Computer Science** at *College of Science*  
*Research Areas: Applied Cryptography, Software Security, and Privacy*

### Indiana University Bloomington, Bloomington, IN

May 2020

- **Master of Science: Computer Science** at *School of Informatics, Computing, and Engineering*  
\$37,000 UITS Graduate Student Fellowship (2018); Can\$7,500 Vision: Science to Applications Awards (2019)
- **Bachelor of Arts: Mathematics** at *College of Arts and Sciences*
- **Bachelor of Science: Computer Science** at *School of Informatics, Computing, and Engineering*  
\$2,000 Anurag & Aruna Mendhekar Scholarship (2017)

## RESEARCH PROJECTS

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### Automated Security Trust Evaluation for zk-SNARK Proof with Greybox Differential Fuzzing

- Create an innovative greybox fuzzing tool based on AFL that enhances efficiency of input generation and code coverage monitor to detect software crashes, cryptographic errors, and possible forgery in zk-SNARKs proofs to gain higher trust.

### SNARKProbe: An Automated Security Analysis Framework for zk-SNARKs Implementations

- Design an automated security analysis framework for zk-SNARKs libraries (e.g. libsnark, bellman, arkworks, circom) to detect various issues, such as edge case crashing, cryptographic operation errors, and/or inconsistencies with protocol.

### A Systematic Study of Cryptographic Function Identification Approaches in Binaries

- A survey of identifying cryptographic primitive techniques (e.g. IDA, magic constant, I/O mapping) in binary application by evaluating the state-of-the-art tools to taxonomize their performance, strengths, weaknesses, and future developments.

## WORKING EXPERIENCE

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### School of Optometry, Indiana University Bloomington, Bloomington, IN

#### Software Developer

August 2019 – August 2020

- Developed software programs in MATLAB, specializing in various applications, including contrast sensitivity perimetry, retinal image segmentation, and realistic neural processing simulations to provide accurate and reliable ophthalmic diagnostics for patients.
- Enhanced existing ophthalmic instruments software programs by implementing effective and high-quality methods for data display and image processing.

### Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, York University, Toronto, ON

#### Visiting Scholar

June 2019 – August 2019

- Designed an integrated intelligent system to detect and identify vehicle traffic from intersection cameras in the Greater Toronto Area, enabling sensing, analysis, simulation, and 3D visualization of urban mobility.
- Tested and fine-tuned application parameters in real-world scenarios to strengthen the technology sector, improve efficiency, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, and enhance the livability of urban regions in Ontario.

### Research Technologies, Pervasive Technology Institute, Bloomington, IN

#### Application Developer

April 2018 – June 2020

- Designed and developed multiple online course systems and course websites about High-Performance Computing Systems from scratch, utilizing HTML, JavaScript, and PHP for both front-end and back-end development.
- Created application programming interfaces (APIs) for course systems to ensure compliance with federal and state student record privacy regulations and facilitate seamless content integration for future system upgrades.
- Collaborated with university students, faculty, and researchers to create engaging and interactive learning platforms.

## SKILLS & INTERESTS

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**Programming:** Python, Rust, Java, C/C++, Go, JavaScript, MySQL

**Tools:** IDA Pro, VSCode, GDB, Wireshark

**Interests:** Hiking, Emergency Medical Service, Fire and Rescue, Kayak, Volunteer Income Tax Assistance