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WORK EXPERIENCE

Security Research Engineer *Samsung Research America*, Mountain View, CA. June 2014 - Current

- Member of the Samsung KNOX security team. Broadly responsible for reviewing design and auditing code of Samsung KNOX features for security, developing tools for automated testing, mentoring intern research projects and conducting university collaboration on research projects.

Intern *NEC Labs America*, Princeton, NJ. Summer 2013

- Worked on logging and transforming runtime traces of systems within NEC into an information flow graph, and wrote a subsequent analysis framework. A novel feature of the information flow graph was modeling OS semantics that tracked information flow not directly visible in traces.

Intern *Qualcomm Innovation Inc. (QuicInc)*, Raleigh, NC. Summer 2010

- Worked as part of team optimizing Linux kernel for Google Chrome netbooks on Qualcomm hardware. I developed software to probe and test graphic stack capabilities in a black-box way, using which several driver bugs were discovered.

EDUCATION

Doctor of Philosophy, Computer Science and Engineering May 2014

The Pennsylvania State University, University Park, PA, USA

PhD Dissertation: Protecting Programs During Resource Access

Advisor: Dr. Trent Jaeger

Bachelor of Engineering, Computer Science and Engineering May 2007

Sri Venkateswara College of Engineering, Anna University, Chennai, India

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Google Scholar: <https://scholar.google.com/citations?user=4y3hTDMAAAAJ&hl=en>

dblp: <http://dblp.uni-trier.de/pers/hd/v/Vijayakumar:Hayawardh>

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 - [11] Hayawardh Vijayakumar and Trent Jaeger. The right files at the right time. In *Proceedings of the 5th IEEE Symposium on Configuration Analytics and Automation (SAFECONFIG 2012)*, October 2012.
 - [12] Divya Muthukumaran and Sandra Rueda and Nirupama Talele and Hayawardh Vijayakumar and Trent Jaeger and Jason Teutsch and Nigel Edwards. Transforming Commodity Security Policies to Enforce Clark-Wilson Integrity. In *Proceedings of the 28th Annual Computer Security Applications Conference (ACSAC 2012)*, December 2012. [acceptance rate: 19.0% (44/231)].
 - [13] Hayawardh Vijayakumar and Joshua Schiffman and Trent Jaeger. STING: Finding Name Resolution Vulnerabilities in Programs. In *Proceedings of the 21st USENIX Security Symposium (USENIX Security 2012)*, August 2012. [acceptance rate: 19.4% (43/222)].
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 - [16] Hayawardh Vijayakumar and Joshua Schiffman and Trent Jaeger. A Rose by Any Other Name or an Insane Root? Adventures in Name Resolution. In *Proceedings of 7th European Conference on Computer Network Defense (EC2ND 2011)*, September 2011. [acceptance rate: 32%].
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 - [18] Divya Muthukumaran and Sandra Rueda and Hayawardh Vijayakumar and Trent Jaeger. Cut Me Some Security. In *Proceedings of the 3rd ACM Workshop on Assurable and Usable Security Configuration (SAFECONFIG 2010)*, October 2010.
 - [19] Sandra Rueda and Hayawardh Vijayakumar and Trent Jaeger. Analysis of Virtual Machine System Policies. In *Proceedings of the 14th ACM Symposium on Access Control Models and Technologies (SACMAT 2009)*, June 2009. [acceptance rate: 32% (24/75)].
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PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

I have served on the program committee of the following conferences and workshops:

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- (NDSS 2015) Network and Distributed System Security Symposium
 - (CCS 2018) ACM Conference on Computer and Communications Security
 - (ACSAC 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018) Annual Computer Security Applications Conference
 - (ASIACCS 2014, 2015) ACM Symposium on Information, Computer, and Communications Security
 - (WiSec 2018) ACM Conference on Security and Privacy in Wireless and Mobile Networks
 - (ICISS 2018) International Conference on Information Systems Security
 - (MoST 2016, 2017) IEEE Workshop on Mobile Security Technologies
 - (RESEC 2018) The First Radical and Experiential Security Workshop

SECURITY VULNERABILITIES REPORTED

I have found and reported the following security vulnerabilities. Three of these are in software that is widely deployed. I provide links to records in the major vulnerability tracking systems and vendor reports.

- Apache apachectl (privilege escalation (CVE-2013-1048))
 - <http://www.securityfocus.com/bid/58325/info>
 - <http://www.cve.mitre.org/cgi-bin/cvename.cgi?name=2013-1048>
 - <https://vuldb.com/?id.7869>
- Ubuntu lightdm (privilege escalation (CVE-2011-4406))
 - <http://www.securityfocus.com/bid/51770>
 - <http://cve.mitre.org/cgi-bin/cvename.cgi?name=CVE-2011-4406>
 - <https://vuldb.com/?id.69375>
- Ubuntu init scripts (arbitrary file create vulnerability (CVE-2011-3151))
 - <https://bugs.launchpad.net/ubuntu/+source/selinux/+bug/876994>
- Icecat browser - GNU version of Firefox (Untrusted library search path)
 - <http://thread.gmane.org/gmane.comp.gnu.gnuzilla/2000>
- x2go VNC server/client (Untrusted library search path)
 - <http://lists.x2go.org/pipermail/x2go-dev/2012-January/003164.html>

AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

- Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award, Computer Science and Engineering Department, Penn State University
- Medal for being placed 6th in the Asia region of The 31st Annual ACM International Collegiate Programming Contest (ACM ICPC 2006).
- Awarded scholarship in first semester of undergraduate study for outstanding performance.

TEACHING

- **CSE 543 Fall 2013** (Graduate-level Introduction to Computer and Network Security): **Co-instructor for course.** Prepared assignments and lectured on cryptography, software security and web security. Received an outstanding teaching assistant award for the same.
- **CSE 544 Spring 2013** (Graduate-level Advanced Systems Security): Delivered lectures on the MULTICS operating system.
- **CSE 543 Spring 2013** (Undergraduate-level Introduction to Computer and Network Security): Delivered lectures on web and cloud computing security.