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Driven cybersecurity engineer with a passion for safeguarding company and user data. Expertise encompasses privacy-enhancing technologies, threat hunting, security operations management(MSOC), privacy regulations, and Pen testing. Proven ability to identify security & privacy gaps and implement effective mitigation strategies.

Education

- Master of Cybersecurity — Brown University 09/2021 - 06/2023
- Bachelor of Mathematics & Bachelor of Economics — University of California, Davis 09/2017 - 03/2021

Work Experience

Cybersecurity Consultant (Blue team & Privacy) — EY, Hong Kong SAR 07/2023 - Present

- Conducted Privacy Impact Assessments (PIAs) for five international companies, identifying and mitigating data handling risks associated with GDPR, CCPA, PIPEDA, PDPO and PIPL compliance. Identified 100+ data handling gaps in total and advised on privacy-enhancing technologies to mitigate risks. Resulting in a 50+% reduction in identified risks and a 70+% improvement in regulation compliance.
- Served as a core member of the initial team responsible for developing and implementing of 3 Security Operation service lines and the EY Managed Security Operation Center, building security software integration to enhance security log monitoring, proactive threat detection, and comprehensive data visualization, resulting in a 25% increase in threat detection efficiency.
- Innovated privacy solutions from LLM models. Developed and optimized internal chatbots, addressing privacy concerns through diverse data training and parameter adjustments.
- Enhanced mobile application privacy practice while collaborating with legal teams. Strengthened data protection protocols, enforced least privilege access controls and led to successful launch in regional app market.

TMT Analyst, Intern — CSC Financial, Shenzhen, China 06/2021 - 09/2021

- Analyzed sensor and semiconductor chip supply in the midstream of China's new energy vehicle market in groups and accurately predicted a 30-40% increase in vehicle production in Q4 2021.
- Utilized Python, Bloomberg, and Wind to automatically update data sets related to semiconductors.

Risk Management, Intern — Ping An Bank, Shenzhen, China 06/2019 - 08/2019

- Tested timeliness of bank risk system and refined report process to save 20% reporting time.

Skills

- Privacy Technology – *Senior*
- Privacy Regulations – *Senior*
- LLM Training – *Junior*
- SOC architect – *Senior*
- Threat Hunting – *Senior*
- Data Mapping & DLP – *Senior*
- Splunk Enterprise – *Senior*
- Python – *Senior*
- V-Scanning & Pen Test – *Junior*

Languages

- English – *Full Proficiency*
- Chinese – *Native or Equivalent*
- Cantonese – *Working Proficiency*

Certificates

- CIPP/US — Certified Information Privacy Professional - United States
- CIPP/E — Certified Information Privacy Professional - Europe
- CIPT — Certified Information Privacy Technologist
- CIPM — Certified Information Privacy Manager
- OSWP — OffSec Wireless Professional
- Splunk Enterprise Certified Admin

Interests

- ♔ Chess - FIDE 2110
- ❄️ Snowboarding
- 🏸 Badminton