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EDUCATION

2019 – 2024 Doctor of Philosophy in Computer Science

(Expected) National University of Singapore, Singapore

Research Area: Cybersecurity & Trustworthy Artificial Intelligence Thesis: "Post-GDPR Privacy Preservation in the Android Ecosystem"

Supervisors: Prof. Jin Song Dong, Dr. Sin Gee Teo

*A*STAR Computing and Information Science Scholarship* (2019 – 2023)

Dean's Graduate Research Achievement Award (2021 – 2022)

School of Computing's Teaching Fellowship (2023) Honours List of Student Tutors (2021-2022)

2015 - 2016 Master of Computing in Infocomm Security

National University of Singapore, Singapore

Graduate with DISTINCTION

Thesis: "Analysing Use of High Privileges in Android Applications" Keywords: Android Security, Reverse Engineering, Program Analysis

Supervisor: Prof. Jin Song Dong

2010 - 2014 Bachelor of Engineering (Hon.) in Computer Science with Business Minor

Nanyang Technological University, Singapore Graduate with Second Upper Class Honours

Thesis: "Chinese Segmentation in User Generated Content"

Keywords: Natural Language Processing

Supervisor: A/Prof. Aixin Sun

SM2 MOE-Industry Joint Scholarship (2008 – 2014)

2022 – 2023 Visiting Research Student

The University of Queensland, QLD, Australia

Supervisors: A/Prof. Guangdong BAI

2013 Summer Exchange Programme

University of California, Berkeley, CA, United States

COMPLETE LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

- c1 Duc Phong Le, **Huasong Meng**, Le Su, Sze Ling Yeo and Vrizlynn L. L. Thing, "BIFF: A Blockchain-based IoT Forensics Framework with Identity Privacy", *IEEE Region 10 Conference (TENCON)*, 2018
- c2 Li Zhang, **Huasong Meng** and Vrizlynn L. L. Thing, "Progressive Control Flow Obfuscation for Android Applications", *IEEE Region 10 Conference (TENCON)*, 2018
- c3 Mark Huasong Meng and Yaou Qian, "A Blockchain Aided Metric for Predictive Delivery Performance in Supply Chain Management," *IEEE International Conference on Service Operations and Logistics, and Informatics (SOLI)*, 2018
- c4 **Mark Huasong Meng**, Guangdong Bai, Joseph K. Liu, Xiapu Luo and Yu Wang, "Analyzing Use of High Privileges on Android: An Empirical Case Study of Screenshot and Screen Recording Applications", *The* 14th International Conference on Information Security and Cryptology (Inscrypt), 2018
- c5 Le Su, Yao Cheng, **Huasong Meng**, Vrizlynn Thing, Zhe Wang, Linghe Kong, and Long Cheng, "Securing Intelligent Transportation System: a Blockchain-based Approach with Attack Mitigation," *The 2nd International conference on Smart Block (SmartBlock)*, 2019

- c6 Xinguo Feng, Yanjun Zhang, **Mark Huasong Meng**, and Sin G. Teo. "Detecting Contradictions from CoAP RFC Based on Knowledge Graph", *International Conference on Network and System Security (NSS)*, 2022
- c7 **Mark Huasong Meng**, Qing Zhang, Guangshuai Xia, Yuwei Zheng, Yanjun Zhang, Guangdong Bai, Zhi Liu, Sin G. Teo, and Jin Song Dong, "Post-GDPR Threat Hunting on Android Phones: Dissecting Oslevel Safeguards of User-unresettable Identifiers," *Network and Distributed System Security Symposium* (NDSS), 2023
- c8 **Mark Huasong Meng**, Sin G. Teo, Guangdong Bai, Kailong Wang, and Jin Song Dong. "Enhancing Federated Learning Robustness using Data-Agnostic Model Pruning", *The 26th Pacific-Asia Conference on Knowledge Discovery and Data Mining (PAKDD)*, 2023
- c9 **Mark Huasong Meng**, Guangdong Bai, Sin G. Teo, and Jin Song Dong. "Supervised Robustness-preserving Data-free Neural Network Pruning", *The 27th International Conference on Engineering of Complex Computer Systems (ICECCS)*, 2023
- c10 Zhongkui Ma, Xinguo Feng, Zihan Wang, Shuofeng Liu, Mengyao Ma, Hao Guan, and **Mark Huasong Meng**. "Formalizing Robustness against Character-level Perturbations for Neural Network Language Models", *The 24th International Conference on Formal Engineering Methods (ICFEM)*, 2023.
- c11 Fuman Xie, Chuan Yan, **Mark Huasong Meng**, Shaoming Teng, Yanjun Zhang, and Guangdong Bai, "Are Your Requests Your True Needs? Checking Excessive Data Collection in VPA Apps." *The 46th International Conference on Software Engineering (ICSE)*, 2024..
- c12 Chuan Yan, Fuman Xie, **Mark Huasong Meng**, Yanjun Zhang, and Guangdong Bai, "On the Quality of Privacy Policy Documents of Virtual Personal Assistant Applications." *The 24th Privacy Enhancing Technologies Symposium (PETS)*, 2024.
 - j1 **Huasong Meng**, Vrizlynn L. L. Thing, Yao Cheng, Zhongmin Dai, and Li Zhang, "A Survey of Android Exploits in the Wild," *Computers & Security*, vol. 76, pp. 71–91, 2018
- j2 **Mark Huasong Meng**, Guangdong Bai, Sin G. Teo, Zhe Hou, Yan Xiao, Yun Lin, and Jin Song Dong, "Adversarial Robustness of Deep Neural Networks: A Survey from a Formal Verification Perspective," *IEEE Transactions on Dependable and Secure Computing*, 2022 (Early Access)
- j3 Xinguo Feng, Yanjun Zhang, Mark Huasong Meng, Yansong Li, Chegne Eu Joe, Zhe Wang and Guangdong Bai, "Detecting contradictions from IoT protocol specification documents based on neural generated knowledge graph," vol. 141, pp. 10-19, 2023

TEACHING ASSISTANCE

2023 FALL	CS4211 Formal Methods for Software Engineering (NUS) Duties include course preparation, logistics, project consultation and grading (92 students enrolled).
2022 Spring	CS4221/CS5421 Database Applications Design and Tuning (NUS) Duties include tutorial teaching (152 students in 10 groups, 65 hrs), project consultation, and assignments grading. Teaching feedback score: 4.5/5.0 (CS4221), 4.6/5.0 (CS5221) (CS department average 4.2, school average 4.2).
2022 SPRING	IT5006 Fundamentals of Data Analytics (NUS) Duties include assignments design and grading.
2021 FALL	BT5110 Data Management and Warehousing (NUS) Duties include tutorial teaching (119 students in 8 groups, 45 hrs) and assignments grading. Teaching feedback score: 4.6/5.0 (CS department average 4.3, school average 4.2).
2021 SPRING	CS5232 Formal Specification and Design Techniques (NUS) Duties include project consultation (19 students enrolled) and grading.
SEDVICES	

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Committee	AAAI 2024 (SRRAI Track, PC), AsiaCCS 2023 (Poster Session, PC), NSS 2022 (Subreviewer)
Reviewer	Transactions on Dependable and Secure Computing (TDSC), Journal of Logical and Algebraic Methods in Programming (JLAMP), Technology in Society (TechSoc)
Others	ADMA 2022 (Local Arrangement Team), ATVA/PRDC 203 (Session Chair)

WORK EXPERIENCE

Oct 2016 to

AGENCY FOR SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND RESEARCH (A*STAR), Singapore

PRESENT

Research Engineer II

(On leave)

Cyber-Security (CS) Department, Institute for Infocomm Research (I2R)

- · Be involved in researching and developing advanced technologies and algorithms for a wide range of research projects.
- Co-supervise 5 Singapore Polytechnic students' final year projects.
- Represent the cluster in the software quality control committee of I²R.
- Organize and lead 4 software development training sessions within the institute.
- Serve as the treasurer of I²R Recreational Club Management Committee.

Jul 2016 to

NCS PTE LTD, Singapore

Sep 2016

Software Analyst

PaC@Gov Team, Ministry of Finance Project Group

- Take charge of post penetration testing remediation for the PaC@Gov platform.
- Coordinate the development of mobile applications (iOS and Android) with the contractor.
- Participate in the pre-release testing of mobile applications for the PaC@Gov platform.

Jun 2014 to Jul 2015

GEMALTO PTE LTD, Singapore¹

Software Engineer

Ezio Mobile SDK Team, R&D Department

- Serve as a development team member of Gemalto's eBanking product Ezio Mobile SDK (n.k.a. Mobile Protector).
- Focus on stability and security of mobile application development (iOS, Android and Windows Phone).
- · Work as a Scrum team by applying Agile development methodology.
- Test the project by following professional software development process.
- · Write technical documentation for both internal and external users.

Jul 2012 to

AUTODESK ASIA PTE LTD, Singapore

Dec 2012

Intern Software Engineer

DesignScript Team, R&D Department

- Contribute in design and development of the new programming language: "DesignScript" (n.k.a. Dynamo BIM).
- Study and implement the new parser of DesignScript language.
- Be involved in pre-release defects fixing work for the new compiler and IDE.

SKILLS

Programming

Proficient in JAVA, C/C++ and PYTHON

Full Stack Web Development (NODEJS and DJANGO)

Mobile Development on Android (since 2014), iOS (since 2014) and Windows Phone (since 2012)

Working experience in C, R, JSP and SQL

Software

Adobe Software (Photoshop, Lightroom, etc), Microsoft Office

Management

SCRUM development methodology

LANGUAGES

Proficient in English and Chinese Mandarin Conversational in Cantonese

Elementary in MALAY

INTERESTS

Photography, Travel, Cooking, Religion and History

¹Now known as Thales Technologies Pte Ltd