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Summary

Academic career: Marco Guarnieri is an Assistant Research Professor at IMDEA Software (Spain), which he joined as a postdoctoral researcher in July 2018. Before that, he worked as a postdoctoral researcher at ETH Zurich (Switzerland), where he also completed a PhD in the Information Security group.

Research summary: Marco Guarnieri's research focuses on developing tools and techniques for designing practical and secure systems that provide precise security guarantees. Recently, he focused on microarchitectural attacks and specifically on developing foundations and tools for (1) reasoning about microarchitectural information flows, (2) precisely characterizing the security of existing countermeasure proposals, and (3) helping hardware and software designers in designing countermeasures with precise security guarantees.

Grants and awards: Marco Guarnieri received best paper awards at the IEEE Symposium on Security and Privacy 2021 and at the ACM Conference on Computer and Communication Security 2022, and an Intel 2021 Outstanding Researcher award for his research on formal models for microarchitectural leaks. He received a Ramon y Cajal, a Juan de la Cierva, and a TALENTO fellowships. He has been a PI in two projects funded by Intel that focused on formal methods for reasoning about microarchitectural leaks in hardware and software.

Scientific service (selection): Marco Guarnieri has served/is serving on the program committee of top-tier security venues like the IEEE Symposium on Security and Privacy (S&P 2022), the ACM Conference on Computer and Communication Security (CCS 2021), the Usenix Security Symposium (SEC 2023), the IEEE Computer Security Foundations Symposium (CSF 2020, 2022-2023), and the IEEE European Symposium on Security and Privacy (EuroS&P 2020-2022). He also served as program chair for the Workshop on Principles of Secure Compilation (PriSC 2022-2023) and the Workshop on Programming Languages and Analysis for Security (PLAS 2021), and he is serving on the steering committee of both events. He is the initiator and one of the co-organizers of the Dagstuhl seminar 23481 on *Microarchitectural attacks and defenses*.

Selected publications:

Marco Guarnieri, Boris Köpf, Jan Reineke, Pepe Vila

Hardware-Software Contracts for Secure Speculation

In: *42nd IEEE Symposium on Security and Privacy (S&P 2021)*, Best paper award

Motivation: The paper introduces *speculation contracts*: ISA-level formal specifications capturing a processor's security guarantees in a simple, mechanism-independent manner. The paper precisely formalizes under which conditions a processor satisfies a speculation contract and it provides program-level properties formalizing how to leverage a contract's hardware guarantees to achieve global, end-to-end security. The paper also presents the first rigorous proofs of security for a large class of state-of-the-art hardware-level mechanisms for secure speculation.

Marco Guarnieri, Boris Köpf, José F. Morales, Jan Reineke, Andrés Sánchez

SPECTECTOR: Principled Detection of Speculative Information Flows

In: *41st IEEE Symposium on Security and Privacy (S&P 2020)*

Motivation: The paper introduces speculative non-interference, the first semantic characterization of security against speculative execution attacks. This notion, which compares program leakage under different program semantics (*with* and *without* speculative execution), has been adopted and extended by several follow-up works, and the paper is the most cited one on the topic of program analyses for speculative leaks. This paper also presents the first program analysis (implemented in the SPECTECTOR tool) for proving the absence of speculative leaks.

Xaver Fabian, **Marco Guarnieri**, Marco Patrignani

Automatic Detection of Speculative Execution Combinations

In: *29th ACM Conference on Computer and Communications Security (CCS 2022)*, Distinguished paper award

Motivation: The paper develops a framework for composing speculative semantics capturing speculation due to different mechanisms and implements it as part of the SPECTECTOR program analysis tool. The framework allows defining each speculative semantics independently (thus leading to simpler semantics) and deriving SPECTECTOR's soundness w.r.t. the composed semantics from soundness w.r.t. each component (thus maximizing proof reuse).

Marco Patrignani, **Marco Guarnieri**

Exorcising Spectres with Secure Compilers

In: *28th ACM Conference on Computer and Communications Security (CCS 2021)*

Motivation: The paper presents a framework for reasoning about the security of compiler-level countermeasures against speculative leaks. This research led to the first proofs of security for compiler-level Spectre mitigations implemented in major compilers and to a precise characterization of their security guarantees, which highlighted both security vulnerabilities and inefficiencies in existing countermeasures.

Education

ETH Zurich

PHD IN COMPUTER SCIENCE

Advisor: Prof. David Basin

Zurich, Switzerland

Oct. 2012 - Jan. 2018

Università degli Studi di Bergamo

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN COMPUTER ENGINEERING

Advisor: Prof. Stefano Paraboschi

Bergamo, Italy

Sep. 2010 - Jul. 2012

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN COMPUTER ENGINEERING

Advisor: Prof. Stefano Paraboschi

Sep. 2007 - Sep. 2010

Professional Experience

IMDEA Software Institute

ASSISTANT RESEARCH PROFESSOR

Research Areas: Security & Privacy, Information-flow control, Language-based security

Madrid, Spain

Jun. 2019 - PRESENT

RESEARCHER

Research Areas: Security & Privacy, Information-flow control, Language-based security

Apr. 2019 - May 2019

POSTDOCTORAL RESEARCHER

Research Areas: Security & Privacy, Information-flow control, Language-based security

Jul. 2018 - Apr. 2019

ETH Zurich

POSTDOCTORAL RESEARCHER

Research Areas: Security & privacy, Database security, Information-flow control

Zurich, Switzerland

Feb. 2018 - May 2018

RESEARCH ASSISTANT

Research Areas: Computer security, Databases, Access control

Oct. 2012 - Jan. 2018

Università degli Studi di Bergamo

RESEARCH ASSISTANT

Research Areas: Access control, Model-driven engineering

Bergamo, Italy

Aug. 2012 - Sep. 2012

SAP Labs France

R&D INTERN

Research Areas: Security, Static analysis

Sophia Antipolis, France

Jun. 2010 - Sep. 2010

Conference and Workshop Publications

2022

[1] Xaver Fabian, **Marco Guarnieri**, Marco Patrignani

Automatic Detection of Speculative Execution Combinations

In: *29th ACM Conference on Computer and Communications Security (CCS 2022)*, Distinguished paper award

[2] Sankha Narayan Guria, Niki Vazou, **Marco Guarnieri**, James Parker

ANOSY: Approximated Knowledge Synthesis with Refinement Types for Declassification

In: *43rd ACM SIGPLAN Conference on Programming Language Design and Implementation (PLDI 2022)*

2021

[3] **Marco Guarnieri**, Boris Köpf, Jan Reineke, Pepe Vila

Hardware-Software Contracts for Secure Speculation

In: *42nd IEEE Symposium on Security and Privacy (S&P 2021)*, Best paper award

[4] Marco Patrignani, **Marco Guarnieri**

Exorcising Spectres with Secure Compilers

In: *28th ACM Conference on Computer and Communications Security (CCS 2021)*

[5] Enrico Baxis, Dario Facchinetti, **Marco Guarnieri**, Marco Rosa, Matthew Rossi, Stefano Paraboschi

I Told You Tomorrow: Practical Time-Locked Secrets using Smart Contracts

In: *16th International Conference on Availability, Reliability and Security (ARES 2021)*

2020

[6] **Marco Guarnieri**, Boris Köpf, José F. Morales, Jan Reineke, Andrés Sánchez

SPECTECTOR: Principled Detection of Speculative Information Flows

In: *41st IEEE Symposium on Security and Privacy (S&P 2020)*

[7] Pepe Vila, Pierre Ganty, **Marco Guarnieri**, Boris Köpf

CacheQuery: Learning Replacement Policies from Hardware Caches

In: *41st ACM SIGPLAN Conference on Programming Language Design and Implementation (PLDI 2020)*

2019

[8] **Marco Guarnieri**, Musard Balliu, Daniel Schoepe, David Basin, Andrei Sabelfeld

Information-Flow Control for Database-backed Applications

In: *4th IEEE European Symposium on Security and Privacy (EuroS&P 2019)*

2017

[9] **Marco Guarnieri**, Srdjan Marinovic, and David Basin

Securing Databases from Probabilistic Inference

In: *30th IEEE Computer Security Foundations Symposium (CSF 2017)*

[10] **Marco Guarnieri**, Petar Tsankov, Tristan Buchs, Mohammad Torabi Dashti, and David Basin

Test Execution Checkpointing for Web Applications

In: *26th ACM SIGSOFT International Symposium on Software Testing and Analysis (ISSTA 2017)*

[11] Martin Kucera, Petar Tsankov, Timon Gehr, **Marco Guarnieri**, and Martin Vechev

Synthesis of Permissive Privacy Enforcement

In: *24th ACM Conference on Computer and Communications Security (CCS 2017)*

2016

[12] **Marco Guarnieri**, Srdjan Marinovic, and David Basin

Strong and Provably Secure Database Access Control

In: *1st IEEE European Symposium on Security and Privacy (EuroS&P 2016)*

2014

[13] **Marco Guarnieri** and David Basin

Optimal Security-Aware Query Processing

In: *40th International Conference on Very Large Data Bases (VLDB 2014)*

2013

[14] Mario Arrigoni Neri, **Marco Guarnieri**, Eros Magri, Simone Mutti, and Stefano Paraboschi

A Model-Driven Approach for Securing Software Architectures

In: *10th International Conference on Security and Cryptography - Position Paper (Secrypt 2013)*

[15] **Marco Guarnieri**, Mario Arrigoni Neri, Eros Magri, and Simone Mutti

On the Notion of Redundancy in Access Control Policies

In: *18th ACM Symposium on Access Control Models and Technologies (SACMAT 2013)*

[16] Angelo Gargantini, **Marco Guarnieri**, and Eros Magri

AURORA: AUTomatic ROBustness coverAge Analysis Tool

In: *6th IEEE International Conference on Software Testing, Verification and Validation - Testing Tools Track (ICST 2013)*

2012

[17] Mario Arrigoni Neri, **Marco Guarnieri**, Eros Magri, Simone Mutti, and Stefano Paraboschi

Conflict Detection in Security Policies using Semantic Web Technology

In: *1st International IEEE-AESS Conference in Europe about Space and Satellite Telecommunications - Security Track (ESTEL 2012)*

[18] **Marco Guarnieri**, Eros Magri, and Simone Mutti

Automated Management and Analysis of Security Policies using Eclipse

In: *7th Italian Workshop on Eclipse Technologies (Eclipse-IT 2012)*

[19] Angelo Gargantini, **Marco Guarnieri**, and Eros Magri

Extending Coverage Criteria by Evaluating their Robustness to Code Structure Changes

In: *24th International Conference on Testing Software and Systems (ICTSS 2012)*

[20] Francesco Bolis, Angelo Gargantini, **Marco Guarnieri**, Eros Magri, and Lorenzo Musto

Model-Driven Testing for Web Applications using Abstract State Machine

In: *8th International Workshop on Model-Driven and Agile Engineering for the Web - Short Paper (MDWE 2012)*

[21] Francesco Bolis, Angelo Gargantini, **Marco Guarnieri**, and Eros Magri

Evolutionary Testing of PHP Web Applications with WETT

In: *4th International Symposium on Search-Based Software Engineering - Graduate Student Track (SSBSE 2012)*

- [22] Gabriel Serme, Anderson Santana De Oliveira, **Marco Guarnieri**, and Paul El Khoury
Towards Assisted Remediation of Security Vulnerabilities
In: *6th International Conference on Emerging Security Information, Systems and Technologies (Securware 2012)*, Best paper award
- [23] **Marco Guarnieri**, Eros Magri, Davide Brugali, and Luca Gherardi
A Domain Specific Language for Modeling Differential Constraints of Mobile Robots
In: *12th International Conference on Autonomous Robot Systems and Competitions (Robotica 2012)*

2011

- [24] Angelo Gargantini, **Marco Guarnieri**, and Eros Magri
An Eclipse based environment for conformance testing by FSMs
In: *6th Italian Workshop on Eclipse Technologies (Eclipse-IT 2011)*
- [25] **Marco Guarnieri**, Paul el Khoury, and Gabriel Serme
Security vulnerabilities detection and protection using Eclipse
In: *6th Italian Workshop on Eclipse Technologies (Eclipse-IT 2011)*

Other Publications

2022

- Oleksi Oleksenko, Boris Köpf, **Marco Guarnieri**, Mark Silberstein
Hide and Seek with Spectres: Efficient discovery of speculative vulnerabilities with random testing

2017

- Marco Guarnieri
Formal Foundations for Access and Inference Control in Databases
Doctoral thesis, Advisor: Prof. David Basin
ETH Zurich, Switzerland

2012

- Marco Guarnieri and Eros Magri
Techniques for Conflict Detection and Minimization for Access Control Policies
Master thesis, Advisor: Prof. Stefano Paraboschi
Università degli Studi di Bergamo, Italy

2010

- Marco Guarnieri and Eros Magri
Sviluppo di un'applicazione Web-based sicura per il data outsourcing
(*Development of a secure data outsourcing web application*)
Bachelor thesis, Advisor: Prof. Stefano Paraboschi
Università degli Studi di Bergamo, Italy

Grants and Fellowships

2022

- Ayudas Ramon y Cajal** (RYC2021-032614-I)
Granted to: **Marco Guarnieri**
Duration: 2023 – 2027
Amount: 236350 €
Funding agency: Ministerio de Ciencia y Innovación

2021

- HascoSec: Principled security verification of processors using hardware-software contracts**
Principal Investigators: **Marco Guarnieri**, Jan Reineke
Duration: 2021 – 2024
Amount: 300.000 \$
Funding agency: Intel Corporation
- InferViz: Weighted Inference and Visualization of Insecure Code Paths** (Facebook research award: 2021 Privacy Enhancing Technologies)
Principal Investigators: Musard Balliu, **Marco Guarnieri**
Duration: 2021 – 2023
Amount: 100.000 \$
Funding agency: Facebook

2019

Ayudas Juan de la Cierva - formación (FJC2018-036513-I)

Granted to: **Marco Guarnieri**

Duration: 2020 – 2022

Amount: 60416.67 €

Funding agency: Ministerio de Ciencia y Innovación

2018

Intel Strategic Research Alliance: Information Flow Tracking across the Hardware-Software Boundary

Principal Investigators: **Marco Guarnieri**, Jan Reineke, Boris Köpf

Duration: 2018 – 2021

Amount: 495.000 \$

Funding agency: Intel Corporation

Ayudas para la atracción de talento investigador - modalidad 2 (2018-T2/TIC-11732)

Granted to: **Marco Guarnieri**

Duration: 2019 – 2023

Amount: 80.000 €

Funding agency: Comunidad de Madrid

Talks

2022

Intel Scalable Assurance workshop

Automatic Detection of Speculative Execution Combinations, Sep. 2022

Journées nationales du GDR Sécurité (invited talk)

Principled foundations for microarchitectural security, Jun. 2022

4th SILM workshop on the Security of Software/Hardware Interfaces (invited talk)

Principled foundations for microarchitectural security, Jun. 2022

HackOn – Ciberseguridad @ Universidad Rey Juan Carlos (invited talk)

An overview of cache side-channel attacks, Feb. 2022

2021

Universidad Complutense de Madrid

Hardware-software security contracts - Principled foundations for building secure microarchitectures, Dec. 2021

Dagstuhl Seminar 21481 - Secure Compilation

Contract-aware secure compilation, Dec. 2021

Dagstuhl Seminar 21442 - Ensuring the Reliability and Robustness of Database Management Systems

Database security: Formalization, verification, and testing – Challenges and open questions, Nov. 2021

Intel Side-channel Academic Program Workshop

Hardware-Software Security Contracts - Principled Foundations for Building Secure Speculation Mechanisms, Nov. 2021

Dagstuhl Seminar 21442 – Ensuring the Reliability and Robustness of Database Management Systems

Database security: Formalization, verification, and testing – Challenges and open questions, Nov. 2021

Intel Scalable Assurance Cluster Kickoff

HascoSec: Principled security verification of processors using hardware-software contracts, Oct. 2021

University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign, Hardware Security reading group

Hardware-Software Contracts for Secure Speculation, Jun. 2021

42nd IEEE Symposium on Security and Privacy (S&P 2021)

Hardware-Software Contracts for Secure Speculation, May 2021

Workshop on Principles of Secure Compilation (PriSC 2021)

Contract-aware secure compilation (short talk), Jan. 2021

2020

ETH Zurich, Invited lecture at Hardware Security course (D-ITET)

SPECTECTOR: Principled detection of speculative information flows, Nov. 2020

Intel Side-channel Academic Program Workshop

Hardware-Software Contracts for Secure Speculation, Sep. 2020

Intel Side-channel Academic Program Tech Talk

Hardware-Software Contracts for Secure Speculation, Jul. 2020

41st IEEE Symposium on Security and Privacy (S&P 2020)

SPECTECTOR: Principled detection of speculative information flows, May 2020

Microsoft Research Cambridge, Programming Language Seminar
CacheQuery: Learning Replacement Policies from Hardware Caches, Feb. 2020

Italian Conference on CyberSecurity (ITASEC 2020)
SPECTECTOR: Principled detection of speculative information flows, Feb. 2020

Workshop on Principles of Secure Compilation (PriSC 2020)
Exorcising Spectres with Secure Compilers, Jan. 2020

2019

Microsoft Research Cambridge, Programming Language Seminar
SPECTECTOR: Principled detection of speculative information flows, Nov. 2019

Workshop on Foundations of Computer Security 2019 (FCS 2019)
SPECTECTOR: Principled detection of speculative information flows, Jun. 2019

4th IEEE European Symposium on Security and Privacy (EuroS&P 2019)
Information-Flow Control for Database-backed Applications, Jun. 2019

2nd International workshop on the use of theorem provers for modelling and verification at the hardware-software interface (ENTROPY 2019)
SPECTECTOR: Principled detection of speculative information flows, Jun. 2019

Intel Side Channel Academic Program Workshop
SPECTECTOR: Principled detection of speculative information flows, Jun. 2019

Ruhr-Universität Bochum
Principled detection of speculative information flows, Mar. 2019

2018

CISPA – Helmholtz Center
Formal foundations for access and inference control in databases, May 2018

IMDEA Software Institute
Formal foundations for access and inference control in databases, Mar. 2018

ABB Corporate Research Center
Securing databases from probabilistic inferences, Jan. 2018

2017

Università degli Studi di Padova
Securing Databases from Probabilistic Inference, Sep. 2017

MIT, CSAIL seminar
Securing Databases from Probabilistic Inference, Sep. 2017

Harvard University, Programming language seminar
Securing Databases from Probabilistic Inference, Sep. 2017

Maryland University, Cybersecurity Center seminar,
Securing Databases from Probabilistic Inference, Sep. 2017

Stanford University, Formal methods seminar,
Securing Databases from Probabilistic Inference, Aug. 2017

30th IEEE Computer Security Foundations Symposium (CSF 2017)
Securing Databases from Probabilistic Inference, Aug. 2017

30th IEEE Computer Security Foundations Symposium (CSF 2017)
Reconciling Database Access Control and Information-flow Control, Aug. 2017

26th ACM SIGSOFT International Symposium on Software Testing and Analysis (ISSTA 2017)
Test Execution Checkpointing for Web Applications, Jul. 2017

Darmstadt University, Modeling and Analysis of Information Systems Graduate seminar
Securing Databases from Probabilistic Inference, Jun. 2017

2016

1st IEEE European Symposium on Security and Privacy (EuroS&P 2016)
Strong and Provably Secure Database Access Control, Mar. 2016

2014

40th International Conference on Very Large Data Bases (VLDB 2014)
Optimal Security-Aware Query Processing, Sep. 2014

2013

13th International School on Foundations of Security Analysis and Design (FOSAD)
ActionGUI, Sep. 2013

18th ACM Symposium on Access Control Models and Technologies (SACMAT 2013)
On the Notion of Redundancy in Access Control Policies, Jun. 2013

6th IEEE International Conference on Software Testing, Verification and Validation (ICST 2013)
AURORA: AUTomatic ROBustness coveRage Analysis Tool, Mar. 2013

2012

7th Italian Workshop on Eclipse Technologies (Eclipse-IT 2012)
Automated Management and Analysis of Security Policies using Eclipse, Sep. 2012.

University of Luxembourg, SnT/SRM Research Seminar
Extending Coverage Criteria by Evaluating their Robustness to Code Structure Changes, Jul. 2012

ETH Zurich, Information Security group
Conflict Detection and Minimization Techniques for Access Control Policies, Jun. 2012

2011

6th Italian Workshop on Eclipse Technologies (Eclipse-IT 2011)
Security vulnerabilities detection and protection using Eclipse, Sep. 2011.

Service

2023

Usenix Security Symposium (SEC 2023)
Program Committee member

IEEE Computer Security Foundations Symposium (CSF 2023)
Program Committee member

Workshop on Principles of Secure Compilation (PriSC 2023)
Program Chair, Steering Committee member

Dagstuhl seminar 23481 “MAD: Microarchitectural Attacks and Defenses”
Organizer

IEEE Symposium on Security and Privacy (S&P 2023)
External reviewer

2022

IEEE Symposium on Security and Privacy (S&P 2022)
Program Committee member

IEEE Computer Security Foundations Symposium (CSF 2022)
Program Committee member

Workshop on Principles of Secure Compilation (PriSC 2022)
Program Chair, Steering Committee member

IEEE European Symposium on Security and Privacy (EuroS&P 2022)
Program Committee member

SIG SIDAR Conference on Detection of Intrusions and Malware & Vulnerability Assessment (DIMVA 2022)
Program Committee member

Workshop on Programming Languages and Security (PLAS)
Steering Committee member, Steering Committee Chair

Computer & Security
Reviewer

ACM Transactions on Programming Languages
Reviewer

French National Research Agency 2022 generic call
Scientific Expert

2021

ACM Conference on Computer and Communications Security (CCS 2021) - Programming languages and formal methods track
Program Committee member

Workshop on Programming Languages and Security (PLAS 2021)
Program Chair

DARPA/ISAT workshop - DOPLR: Data-Oblivious Interdisciplinary Representation

Invited member

Dagstuhl Seminar 21481 - Secure Compilation

Invited member

Dagstuhl Seminar 21442 - Ensuring the Reliability and Robustness of Database Management Systems

Invited member

Frontiers in Compute Science/Frontier in ICT

Member of the Editorial Board (Review Editor)

Workshop on Principles of Secure Compilation (PriSC 2021)

Program Committee member

IEEE European Symposium on Security and Privacy (EuroS&P 2021)

Program Committee member

IEEE Symposium on Security and Privacy (S&P 2021)

External reviewer

Journal of Computer Security

Reviewer

Formal Methods in System Design

Reviewer

ERC Advanced Grant 2021 Call

Remote referee

2020

ACM SIGSAC Workshop on Programming Languages and Security (PLAS 2020)

Program Committee member

IEEE Computer Security Foundations Symposium (CSF 2020)

Program Committee member

IEEE European Symposium on Security and Privacy (EuroS&P 2020)

Program Committee member

Journal of Computer Security

Reviewer

2019

ACM SIGPLAN conference on Systems, Programming, Languages, and Applications: Software for Humanity – OOPSLA track (OOPSLA)

External reviewer

French National Research Agency 2019 generic call

Scientific Expert

ERC Advanced Grant 2019 Call

Remote referee

IEEE Transactions on Dependable and Secure Computing (TDSC)

Reviewer

49th IEEE/IFIP International Conference on Dependable Systems and Networks (DSN)

External reviewer

2018

19th Privacy Enhancing Technologies Symposium (PETS)

External reviewer

IEEE Transactions on Information Forensics and Security (TIFS)

Reviewer

2017

ACM Conference on Computer and Communications Security (CCS)

External reviewer

VLDB Journal

Reviewer

2016

European Symposium on Research in Computer Security (ESORICS)

External reviewer

International Conference on Fundamental Approaches to Software Engineering (FASE)

External reviewer

2013

VLDB Journal
Reviewer

PhD thesis committees

2019

Samira Briongos Herrero, Analysis and design of microarchitectural side-channel attacks and countermeasures
Universidad Politécnica de Madrid, Escuela Técnica Superior de Ingenieros de Telecomunicación, 29/11/2019

Irfan Ul Haq, Lineage Inference of Packed Malware using Binary Code Similarity
Universidad Politécnica de Madrid, Escuela Técnica Superior de Ingenieros Informáticos, 12/11/2019

Bachelor/Master thesis committees

2021

Pedro Miguel Sousa Bernardo, Spectacle - A platform agnostic analysis tool for detecting Spectre-PHT gadgets in binaries
IST Técnico Lisboa 19/11/2021

Teaching

Universidad Politécnica de Madrid

Madrid, Spain

LECTURER

Seguridad Informática — Fall 2018–2022

ETH Zurich

Zurich, Switzerland

TEACHING ASSISTANT

Security Engineering — Autumn 2013–2016
Information Security — Spring 2015, Spring 2018
Design of Digital Circuits — Spring 2017
Informatik für Mathematiker und Physiker — Autumn 2017

Università degli Studi di Bergamo

Bergamo, Italy

TEACHING ASSISTANT

Object Oriented Programming – Spring 2011–2012

Mentoring

PHD STUDENTS

Zilong Wang, IMDEA Software, Fall 2020
Nikita Zyuzin, IMDEA Software, Fall 2021 (not completed)
Xaver Fabian, CISPA (unofficially co-supervised with Marco Patrignani), Fall 2021

MASTER STUDENTS

Tristan Buchs, Checkpointing-Based Testing, Master Thesis, ETH Zurich, Fall 2015
Ernst Zachow, Improving the Efficiency of Fuzz Testing Using Checkpointing, Master Thesis, ETH Zurich, Fall 2014
Marco Lazzari, Systematic Testing of TOR, Master Thesis, ETH Zurich, Fall 2014

BACHELOR STUDENTS

Andrés Sánchez, Detecting speculative information-flows in large code bases, Universidad Politécnica de Madrid (co-supervised with Manuel Carro), Spring 2019
Javier Lopez Alonso, Formal models for speculative execution, Universidad Politécnica de Madrid (co-supervised with Manuel Hermenegildo), Spring 2019
Mohammed Ajil, Strong and Secure Access Control for PostgreSQL, Bachelor Thesis, ETH Zurich, Spring 2016

RESEARCH INTERNS

Antonio Zegarelli, Dynamic policies for information-flow control, IMDEA Software Institute (co-supervised with Niki Vazou), Fall 2022
David Mateos Romero, Software fuzzing for microarchitectural leaks, IMDEA Software Institute, Summer 2022
Hoang Nguyen, Automated synthesis of hardware-software contracts, IMDEA Software Institute, Spring 2022
Arpit Gogia, Contract-based fuzz testing of CPU simulators, IMDEA Software Institute, Spring 2022
Andrés Sánchez, Reasoning about speculative execution attacks, IMDEA Software Institute, Fall 2018
Mohamed Moanis Ali, Speculative execution attacks, IMDEA Software Institute, Fall 2019
Ashwin Nambiar, Side-channel attacks, IMDEA Software Institute, Summer 2020
Aarti Kashyap, Hardware-Software Contracts for Undo and Redo Spectre countermeasures, IMDEA Software Institute, Summer 2020

Honors & Awards

- 2022 **Distinguished paper award**, 29th ACM Conference on Computer and Communications Security (CCS 2022)
- 2022 **Intel Outstanding Researcher Award**
- 2021 **Best paper award**, 42nd IEEE Symposium on Security and Privacy (S&P 2021)
- 2012 **Best paper award**, 6th International Conference on Emerging Security Information, Systems and Technologies (Securware 2012)
- 2012 **Scholarship of the city of Ciserano**
- 2012 **Scholarship of Università degli Studi di Bergamo (best engineering student)**
- 2010 **Scholarship of the city of Ciserano**
- 2007 **Scholarship of the city of Ciserano**