

# Viet Sang NGUYEN

PhD Candidate in Cryptography

## Experiences

- 2021–2022 **Cryptography Engineer**, *CryptoExperts*, Paris, France  
*White-Box Cryptography*: Design and development of a generic framework for building circuits and generating white-box implementations of cryptographic algorithms.
- 2021 **Cryptography Engineer Intern**, *CryptoExperts*, Paris, France  
(6 months) *Secure wallet app for cryptocurrency*: Design and development of a wallet capable of sending and receiving coins with considerations of security and privacy. Study of white-box cryptography and countermeasures against physical attacks on ECDSA.
- 2020 **Cryptography Research Intern**, *Research Institute XLIM*, University of Limoges, France  
(3 months) *Pre-filtering in Pub/Sub systems*: Study and implementation of an encrypted matching scheme. Improvement of speed by pre-discarding costly matching operations known certainly as unmatched using Cuckoo filter.
- 2018 **Machine Learning Intern**, *Knorex*, Ho-Chi-Minh City, Vietnam  
(3 months) *Language Detection*: Evaluation and improvement of accuracy (60%) when detecting Malaysian and Indonesian. Extension of language detection for 5 new languages.  
*Keys Mining*: Evaluation and improvement of accuracy (10-20%) for extracting keywords related to a certain topic from texts. Extension of keyword extraction for 5 new languages.

## Education

- 2023–\* **PhD Candidate in Cryptography**, Expected: 12/2025  
University of Lyon, France  
Supervisors: Vincent Grosso, Pierre-Louis Cayrel  
*Secure Implementations of Cryptographic Algorithms against Physical Attacks*
- 2019–2021 **Master Cryptis in Information Security**, GPA: 15.01/20, Rank 2/20  
University of Limoges (UNILIM), France  
*Courses*: *Cryptology Advanced*, *Smart Cards and Secure Implementation*, *Security of ICT Usages*, *Cryptographic Mechanisms and Applications*, *Complexity and Computability*
- 2015–2019 **Bachelor Engineer in Computer Science**, *Honors Program*, GPA: 8.35/10  
Ho-Chi-Minh University of Technology (HCMUT), Vietnam  
*Thesis (9.6/10)*: *Development of a Question-Answering model for Vietnamese using Deep Learning*  
(Exact Match: 61.0%, F1-score: 76.6%)

## Publications

- CHES 2024 **OBSCURE: Versatile Software Obfuscation from a Lightweight Secure Element**  
Darius Mercadier, Viet Sang Nguyen, Matthieu Rivain, Aleksei Udovenko

## Selected Projects

- 2022 (4 months) **OBSCURE**: framework for software obfuscation relying on a simple stateless secure element
- 2022 (4 months) **circkit**: framework for defining, constructing and manipulating computational circuits
- 2021 (2 weeks) **D-CPA**: Differential Power Analysis and Correlation Power Analysis attacks on AES-128
- 2020 (3 months) **NIDS-DL**: real-time Network Intrusion Detection System based on a Deep Learning model using Snort, Kafka, Zeek, Spark

## Talks

- 16/10/2023 **Persistent Fault Model: Generalization, Cryptanalysis and Countermeasures**  
at Journées C2 in Najac, France
- 22/06/2023 **Linear Cryptanalysis and Countermeasures in Persistent Fault Model**  
at Laboratoire Hubert Curien in Saint-Étienne, in scope of ANR PROPHY project

## External Reviewer

2024 EUROCRYPT

## Teaching

- 2023–2024 **Tutorials of embedding programming on CodeWarrior for second year bachelor students**  
27h at IUT Saint-Étienne, France
- 2023–2024 **Tutorials of C++ programming for first year bachelor students**  
27h at IUT Saint-Étienne, France
- 2022–2023 **Tutorials of embedding programming on CodeWarrior for second year bachelor students**  
27h at IUT Saint-Étienne, France

## Technical Skills

Programming Python, C/C++, Sagemath, Java, GPGPU, Android, SQL, MATLAB, Shell Scripts.  
Other Familiar with Unix-like OS, Git, Docker.

## Honors/Awards

2021,2022 3rd Prize in International Olympiad in Cryptography NSUCRYPTO with 2 best solutions.

## Languages

Vietnamese Mother tongue  
English Full professional proficiency  
French Level B2