

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
- CHES 2024 **Persistent Fault Model: Generalization, Cryptanalysis and Countermeasures**
(in submission) Viet Sang Nguyen, Vincent Grosso, Pierre-Louis Cayrel
- CHES 2024 **Resistance of Threshold Implementations against Statistical (Ineffective) Fault Attacks**
(in submission) Viet Sang Nguyen, Vincent Grosso, Pierre-Louis Cayrel

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

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