PAUL S. LOU

INTERESTS

Theoretical and applied cryptography, information theory

EDUCATION

2019-Present

Ph.D. Candidate at UCLA advised by Prof. Amit Sahai. **Masters in Computer Science**, UCLA (June 2021).

Dec. 2018

University of Pennsylvania Management & Technology dual degree program:

B.S.E. in Mathematics and Computer Science, School of Engineering and Applied Sciences.

Advised by Prof. Nadia Heninger.

B.S. in Economics, concentration in Statistics, The Wharton School.

PREPRINTS

1. A Note on the Pseudorandomness of Low-Degree Polynomials over the Integers

Aayush Jain, Alexis Korb, Paul Lou, Amit Sahai https://ia.cr/2021/1415

PUBLICATIONS

All authors listed by alphabetical order.

To appear.

7. Computational Wiretap Coding from Indistinguishability Obfuscation

Aayush Jain, Yuval Ishai, Paul Lou, Amit Sahai, Mark Zhandry. CRYPTO 2023.

To appear.

6. Hard Languages in $NP \cap coNP$ and NIZK Proofs from Unstructured Hardness

Riddhi Ghosal, Yuval Ishai, Alexis Korb, Eyal Kushilevitz, Paul Lou, Amit Sahai.

STOC 2023.

5. Polynomial-Time Cryptanalysis of the Subspace Flooding Assumption for Post-Quantum $i\mathcal{O}$

Aayush Jain, Rachel Lin, Paul Lou, Amit Sahai. EUROCRYPT 2023. https://ia.cr/2022/1637

4. Efficient NIZKs from LWE via Polynomial Reconstruction and "MPC in the Head"

Riddhi Ghosal, Paul Lou, Amit Sahai.

https://ia.cr/2022/370

ASIACRYPT 2022.

3. Beyond the Csiszár-Korner Bound: Best-Possible Wiretap Coding via Obfuscation

Yuval Ishai, Alexis Korb, Paul Lou, Amit Sahai.

CRYPTO 2022. Invited submission to *The Journal of Cryptology*.

https://ia.cr/2022/343

2. Relinearization Attack on LPN over Large Fields

Paul Lou, Amit Sahai, Varun Sivashankar.

CFAIL 2022. Invited submission to a special edition of *The Computer Journal*.

https://tinyurl.com/23a274dd

1. Post-quantum RSA

Daniel J. Bernstein, Nadia Heninger, Paul Lou, Luke Valenta PQCRYPTO 2017

ia.cr/2017/351

SERVICE

Reviewer for Journal of Cryptology. External reviewer for CRYPTO 2022. Program committee (PC) member for Oakland 2023 Posters Program.

TEACHING

Teaching assistant for

- · CS-181: Formal Languages and Automata Theory, Winter 2021, Winter 2022, UCLA.
- · CIS-556: Cryptography (Graduate-level), Fall 2018, UPenn.
- · CIS-548: Operating Systems (Graduate-level) Spring 2018, UPenn.
- · CIS-380: Operating Systems, Fall 2017, Fall 2018 (Head TA), UPenn
- · CIS-262: Theory of computation: Automata, Computability, & Complexity, Fall 2016, UPenn.

PROGRAMMING LANGUAGES

Preferred

Python, C++

Comfortable

OCAML, C, JAVA

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Languages

English · Mothertongue

Mandarin · Bilingual

French · B1

Nationality

US Citizenship

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Misc. Interests

Skiing · Climbing · Hot Chocolate

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