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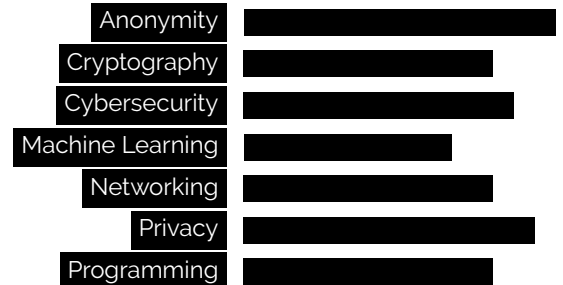
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WHO AM I?

A cybersecurity researcher in the forests of Värmland, Sweden, that cares deeply about privacy and human rights. Working as a senior lecturer in Computer Science at Karlstad University. I have collaborated on a range of topics in research projects funded by EU (H2020, FP6, FP7, TEMPUS), Google, the NLnet Foundation, the Swedish Foundation for Strategic Research, the Swedish Internet Foundation, and the Swedish Knowledge Foundation. An engineer *and* scientist at heart—and trying not to forget that—by building as well as understanding things.



RECENT RESEARCH PROJECTS

- 2022 – 2026 **DRIVE: Research Profile on Secure Low-Latency Communication** Knowledge Foundation of Sweden
A long-term research profile at Karlstad University, working mostly with partner Mullvad VPN on high-performance low-latency secure communication solutions.
- 2019 – 2022 **PAF5G: Performance and Anonymity in Future 5G Networks** Swedish Internet Foundation
(Ab)using multiple network paths for anonymity, traffic analysis attacks and defenses.

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- 2023 **Timeless Timing Attacks and Preload Defenses in Tor's DNS Cache** USENIX Security
Rasmus Dahlberg and Tobias Pulls
- 2021 **Privacy-Preserving & Incrementally-Deployable Support for Certificate Transparency in Tor** PETS
Rasmus Dahlberg, Tobias Pulls, Tom Ritter, and Paul Syverson
- 2017 **The Effect of DNS on Tor's Anonymity** NDSS
Benjamin Greschbach, Tobias Pulls, Laura M. Roberts, Philipp Winter, and Nick Feamster

EMPLOYMENT AND EDUCATION

- 2023 – now **CEO** Karlstad Internet Privacy Lab AB, Sweden
Launching an R&D lab in Karlstad in the same consortium as Mullvad VPN. Sideline occupation.
- 2017 – now **Senior Lecturer** Karlstad University, Sweden
Traffic analysis attacks and defenses for Tor, Certificate Transparency, privacy & security engineering, teaching undergrad and graduate level, supervisor (BSc, MSc, PhD). Docent in 2021.
- 2015 – 2017 **Postdoc** Karlstad University, Sweden
Authenticated data structures, Certificate Transparency, DNS, traffic analysis of Tor.
- 2011 – 2015 **PhD** Karlstad University, Sweden
Cryptography engineering, protocol design, thesis "Preserving Privacy in Transparency Logging".
- 2004 – 2010 **Master of Science** Karlstad University, Sweden

LANGUAGES

Swedish - native
English - proficient
German - beginner

HOBBIES

I love politics, Belgian beer, food, cakes, esports, gaming with friends, and exploring new ideas.

NON PROFIT

I help the Tor Project as a core member and support the Swedish digital rights organization DFRI.