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Research Interests

Systems Security, Privacy, Operating Systems, Machine Learning, Networks, Cryptography

Education

University of Wisconsin-Madison — Fall 2020 ~ Spring 2024
B.S. Honors Candidate, Computer Sciences & Data Science — Madison, WI
Thesis: Characterizing Network Censorship Mechanisms Worldwide — GPA: 3.94/4.00
Advisor: Rahul Chatterjee

Positions

University of Wisconsin-Madison - MadS&P — Madison, WI
Undergraduate Research Assistant — 06/2021 ~ Present

University of Wisconsin-Madison - WI-PI — Madison, WI
Undergraduate Research Assistant — 10/2021 ~ Present

UW-Madison Cybersecurity Operations Center — Madison, WI
Cybersecurity Student Analyst Team Lead — 10/2020 ~ Present

Cybersecurity UW Student Club — Madison, WI
President — 04/2021 ~ Present

Max Planck Institute for Software Systems — Saarbrücken, Germany
Visiting Scholar — Summer 2023

Carnegie Mellon University – CyLab — Pittsburgh, PA
Undergraduate Research Assistant — Summer 2022

Igloo Security — Seoul, Republic of Korea
Cybersecurity Intern Analyst — Summer 2019

Publications

[1] Rishabh Khandelwal, Asmit Nayak, **Paul Chung,** and Kassem Fawaz. Unpacking Privacy Labels: A Measurement and Developer Perspective on Google's Data Safety Section. *USENIX Security, 2024*.

[2] Marina Sanusi Bohuk, Mazharul Islam, **Paul Chung,** Thomas Ristenpart, and Rahul Chatterjee. Araña: Discovering and Characterizing Password Guessing Attacks in Practice. *USENIX Security, 2023*.

[3] Rishabh Khandelwal, Asmit Nayak, **Paul Chung,** and Kassem Fawaz. Comparing Privacy Labels of Applications in Android and iOS. *Workshop on Privacy in the Electronic Society, 2023*.

[4] **Yi Won Chung** and Tae Gyeom Heo. Exploitation of Bluekeep RDP Vulnerability on Embedded Systems and Possible Mitigations. *Conference on Information Security and Cryptography-Winter (CISC-W'), 2019*.

[5] **Paul Chung** and Rahul Chatterjee. Shawshank Breakout: Uncovering State-of-the-Art Tactics Used by Network Censorship Systems. *Under Submission*, *2024*.

[6] Maryam Aldairi, Arjun Brar, Hanan Hibshi, Kuixi Song, **Paul Yi Won Chung,** Daniel Votipka, Marjan Salamati-Pour, and Akanksha Bubber. Is Sandboxing Enough? The Challenge of Engineering Privacy in iOS App Groups: A Developer Perspective. *Under Submission, 2024*.

[7] Rishabh Khandelwal, **Paul Chung,** Asmit Nayak, and Kassem Fawaz. Consistency of Self-reported Practices in Privacy Labels and Privacy Policies. *Under Submission, 2024*.

Honors and Awards

- 2023 Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship
- 2023 Mark Mensink Honors Research Grant
- 2023 Hilldale Undergraduate Research Fellowship
- 2022 CMU REUSE Undergraduate Research Fellowship
- Fall 2020 ~ Fall 2022, UW-Madison Dean's List
- 2022 National Cyber League Spring Team Game, Top 2% (as team: *0xb4dgers*)
- 2019 Korea Ministry of Education CTF Competition, 5th Place (as team: *Future College Chancellor Shin Jinwoo*)

Research

Shawshank Intel: A Heuristic-based Analysis of Network Censorship Mechanisms 09/2022 ~ Present
UW-Madison Security & Privacy Research Group (MadS&P) Advisor: Rahul Chatterjee

- Formulated a heuristic-based approach for analyzing network censorship middleboxes
- Developed an internet filtering measurement pipeline and tested it on networks under various nations

Analysis of Google Data Safety Cards and Apple Privacy Labels 11/2022 ~ Present
UW-Madison Security & Privacy Research Group (MadS&P) Advisor: Kassem Fawaz

- Labeled over 500 Privacy Policies and trained them to data safety card options with DistilBERT
- Analyzed over 2000 responses from the developer inquiry about data safety card inconsistencies
- Modeled an inference-based analysis approach to analyze the consistencies within privacy documents

Engineering Privacy in iOS App Groups Summer 2022
Carnegie Mellon University Information Networking Institute (INI) Advisor: Hanan Hibshi

- Implemented a data leakage threat model for the iOS app group containers
- Analyzed the group containers for 200 iOS apps to detect potential leakage for restricted data

picoCTF: Introducing Adversarial Machine Learning to CTFs Summer 2022
Carnegie Mellon University Security & Privacy Laboratory (CyLab) Advisor: Hanan Hibshi

- Developed five NLP-based and five CNN-based Adversarial Machine Learning challenges
- Constructed a user study for the challenges to be released at picoCTF 2023
- Introduced "ramped" difficulty system, optimized for beginning learners

CookieEnforcer: Automated Cookie Notice Analysis and Enforcement 02/2022 ~ 07/2022
Wisconsin Privacy & Security Research Group (WI-PI) Advisor: Kassem Fawaz

- Explored the results of the front-end interface user study for the CookieEnforcer research
- Developed a Chrome Extension that connects the CookieEnforcer backend with the React frontend
- Published the extension to the Chrome Extension Store

Araña: Discovering and Characterizing Password Guessing Attacks in Practice 06/2021 ~ 10/2022
UW-Madison Security & Privacy Research Group (MadS&P) Advisor: Rahul Chatterjee

- Analyzed 30 million network packets to find a pattern of credential stuffing attacks
- Used Pandas and Matplotlib of Python to visualize and find edge cases from the data
- Found multiple patterns in the clustered data that exhibited anomalies

Zero-day Vulnerability Analysis and Exploitation 03/2019 ~ 05/2020
Daegu University Information Security Research Group Advisor: Chang Hoon Kim

- Analyzed the risk of CVE-2019-0708 (Bluekeep) on traditional embedded systems
- Designed a PoC that sends payloads to execute arbitrary code on the vulnerable system
- Poster presented the research as the primary author at *CISC-W' 2019*

Projects

Scalable Docker Deployment System Cybersecurity UW, 2023

- Designed a RESTful API that deploys scalable docker instances for interactive club meetings
- Utilized the docker system to demonstrate Password Cracking, Buffer Overflow, and RF challenges

Node.js Full-stack Web Application HackMIT, 2021

- Designed a RESTful Backend API model and implemented it via Express and PostgreSQL
- Implemented a simple front-end web interface with EJS and integrated it to the backend
- Deployed web app *FoodSurfers*, similar with the *Airbnb* platform to Microsoft Azure

Voice-based Interactive Chatbot Neung-In Scholarly Awards, 2018

- Designed a chatbot pipeline that parses lunch and academic calendar info from the school website
- Deployed the app to GCP and used the Google Dialogflow API to service it on Google Assistant