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Research Interests

Systems Security, Privacy, Anti-censorship Networks, Operating Systems, Machine Learning, 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: 3.97/4.00

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 Intern Analyst 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] **Yi Won Chung** and Tae Gyeom Heo. Exploitation of RDP Bluekeep on Embedded Systems and Possible Mitigations. *Conference on Information Security and Cryptography-Winter (CISC-W')*, 2019.
- [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] **Paul Chung** and Rahul Chatterjee. Shawshank Breakout: Uncovering State-of-the-Art Tactics Used by Network Censorship Systems. *Under Submission*, 2024.
- [5] 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.
- [6] Rishabh Khandelwal, Asmit Nayak, **Paul Chung,** and Kassem Fawaz. Unpacking Privacy Labels: A Measurement and Developer Perspective on Google's Data Safety Section. *Accepted Under Major Revision (Conference to be updated after full acceptance), 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 Carnegie Mellon University Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship
- Fall 2020 ~ Fall 2022, UW-Madison Dean's List
- 2022 National Cyber League Spring Team Game, Top 2% (as team: Oxb4dgers)
- 2019 Korea Ministry of Education CTF Competition, 5th Place (as team: Future College Chancellor Shin Jinwoo)

Research

- 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

UW-Madison Security & Privacy Research Group (MadS&P)

Advisor: Kassem Fawaz

Summer 2022

Summer 2022

Advisor: Hanan Hibshi

Advisor: Hanan Hibshi

02/2022 ~ 07/2022

06/2021 ~ 10/2022

03/2019 ~ 05/2020

Advisor: Chang Hoon Kim

Advisor: Rahul Chatterjee

Advisor: Kassem Fawaz

11/2022 ~ Present

- 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

Carnegie Mellon University Information Networking Institute (INI)

- 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

Carnegie Mellon University Security & Privacy Laboratory (CyLab)

- 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

Wisconsin Privacy & Security Research Group (WI-PI)

- 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

UW-Madison Security & Privacy Research Group (MadS&P)

- 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

Daegu University Information Security Research Group

- 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 to deploy scalable docker instances for interactive club meetings
- Utilized the docker system to demonstrate Password Cracking and WiFi Hacking in a virtual environment

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

Skills

- Programming Languages: Python, Go, C, C++, Java, JavaScript, Rust
- Technologies:
 - General: Git, LaTeX, Numpy, Docker
 - Data Analysis: Pandas, Matplotlib, R. SPSS
 - Machine Learning: HuggingFace, Scikit, PyTorch, TensorFlow, Keras, NLTK
 - Network: Socket, Scapy, dpkt, aioquic 0
 - Web: HTML, Flask, Django, Jekyll, Hugo, React, Express 0
 - Security: Pwntools, Elasticsearch, Shodan, Nmap, Burpsuite, Cisco AMP 0
 - Database: MySQL, PostgreSQL, MongoDB, SQLite 0
 - Cloud: GCP, Azure, AWS