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EDUCATION & EMPLOYMENT	Purdue University <i>Postdoctoral Research Associate</i>	2021 - Now
	Hong Kong University of Science and Technology & Sourcebrella Inc. <i>Ph.D. in Computer Science (2015 - 2020) & Co-founder of Sourcebrella Inc. (2015 - 2021)</i> <i>Thesis: Precise and Scalable Static Bug Finding for Industrial-Sized Code</i>	2015 - 2021
RESEARCH & HONORS	<p>My research focuses on the use of programming language and compiler techniques, especially static analysis, for rigorously ensuring software security, including (1) static analysis for reverse engineering, (2) static analysis for vulnerability scanning, (3) static analysis for fuzz testing, and (4) static analysis for theorem proving. My research has won me an ACM SIGSOFT Distinguished Paper Award and a Hong Kong PhD Fellowship.</p> <p>My research on vulnerability scanning, known as the <i>Pinpoint Static Analyzer</i>, has received 200M CNY (\approx 30M USD) investment. The startup that commercializes my research, <i>Sourcebrella Inc.</i>, has been acquired by <i>Ant Group</i>, where <i>Pinpoint</i> is deployed in daily operations for improving the quality of <i>Alipay</i>, a popular digital payment app with over a billion monthly active users. To date, we have discovered nearly one hundred CVE-identified software vulnerabilities.</p> <p>For further information, see https://qingkaishi.github.io/.</p>	
PUBLICATIONS	<p>I have published extensively at premium venues of programming language, software engineering, and cybersecurity, including six first-author papers [TSE'16, TR'16, PLDI'18, ICSE'20a, ICSE'20b, PLDI'21] and five corresponding-author papers under my supervision [ISSTA'20a, ISSTA'20b, S&P'20, OOPSLA'21, S&P'22].</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">[1] Chengpeng Wang, Peisen Yao, Wensheng Tang, Qingkai Shi, and Charles Zhang. Complexity Guided Container Replacement Synthesis. In <i>Proceedings of the 37th ACM SIGPLAN Conference on Object Oriented Programming, Systems, Languages and Applications (OOPSLA'22)</i>. ACM, 2022.[2] Yiyuan Guo, Jinguo Zhou, Peisen Yao, Qingkai Shi, and Charles Zhang. Precise Divide-By-Zero Detection with Affirmative Evidence. In <i>Proceedings of the 44nd ACM/IEEE International Conference on Software Engineering (ICSE'22)</i>. ACM, 2022.[3] Heqing Huang, Yiyuan Guo, Qingkai Shi, Peisen Yao, Rongxin Wu, and Charles Zhang. Beacon: Directed Grey-Box Fuzzing with Provable Path Pruning. In <i>Proceedings of the 43rd IEEE Symposium on Security and Privacy (S&P'22)</i>. IEEE, 2022.[4] Qingkai Shi, Peisen Yao, Rongxin Wu, and Charles Zhang. Path-Sensitive Sparse Analysis without Path Conditions. In <i>Proceedings of the 42nd ACM SIGPLAN Conference on</i>	

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- [16] **Qingkai Shi**, Xiao Xiao, Rongxin Wu, Jinguo Zhou, Gang Fan, and Charles Zhang. Pinpoint: Fast and Precise Sparse Value Flow Analysis for Million Lines of Code. In *Proceedings of the 39th ACM SIGPLAN Conference on Programming Language Design and Implementation (PLDI'18)*. ACM, 2018.
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PATENTS

Defect detection method, device, system, and computer readable medium.

- US Patent No. 20190108003
- China Patent No. 201811013103.6, 201811013000.X, 201811015751.5, 2018110146864

INVITED TALKS

Invited Talks

- “Fast and Precise Static Bug Detection for Industrial-Sized Code”, Texas A&M University, College Station, United States, July, 2021.
- “Taming Path-Sensitivity for Static Code Analysis on Industrial Scale”, Nanjing University, Nanjing, China, April, 2021.
- “The Next Generation Software Security Analysis”, Nanjing University, Nanjing, China, May, 2020.
- “Marrying Taint Analysis with Big Data Analytics”, Southern University of Science and Technology, Shenzhen, China, November, 2018.

Presentations

- “Path-Sensitive Sparse Analysis without Path Conditions”, the 42nd ACM SIGPLAN conference on Programming Language Design and Implementation (PLDI’21), Virtual, Canada, June, 2021.
- “Pipelining Bottom-up Data Flow Analysis”, the 42nd ACM/IEEE International Conference on Software Engineering (ICSE’20), Seoul, South Korea, May, 2020.
- “Conquering the Extensional Scalability Problem for Value-Flow Analysis Frameworks”, the 42nd ACM/IEEE International Conference on Software Engineering (ICSE’20), Seoul, South Korea, May, 2020.
- “Fast and Precise Sparse Value Flow Analysis for Million Lines of Code”, the 39th ACM SIGPLAN Conference on Programming Language Design and Implementation (PLDI’18), Philadelphia, United States, June, 2018.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Journal Reviewer

- IEEE Transactions on Dependable and Secure Computing.
- IEEE Transactions on Reliability.

Artifact Evaluation Committee Member

- The 49th ACM SIGPLAN-SIGACT Symposium on Principles of Programming Languages (POPL’22), 16 - 22 January 2022, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, the United States.

TEACHING

Teaching Assistant

- COMP3111/3111H: Software Engineering (Fall 2018)
- COMP4111: Software Engineering Practices (Spring 2018)
- COMP4111: Software Engineering Practices (Fall 2016)