# Silei Ren

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### Education

Cornell University PhD Candidate

Ithaca, NY, 2020-2026 (Expected)

- Advisor: Andrew C. Myers

Brown University B.S. Math & Computer Science

Providence, RI, 2015-2019

- GPA: 3.8/4.0

- CS department Senior Prize

### Research Projects

An Algebraic Approach to Asymmetric Delegation and Polymorphic Label Inference

ESORICS 2025

- Designed a sementic framework for language-based information flow control (IFC).
- Proposed label inference algorithms that support bounded label polymorphism and proved correctness.
- Implemented the framework as the frontend of the Viaduct Compiler.

#### Formalizing Confused Deputy Attack

**Ongoing Project** 

- Formalized CDA in open systems like smart contract.
- Defined language-based mitigation and proving its security under a strong threat model.
- Implementing security mechanisms in the SCIF compiler, a compiler for secure-by-construction smart contracts.

#### Poisoning Attack On Learned Index Structures

SIGMOD 2022

- Performed security analysis & comparison between traditional data structure and machine learned data structures as the co-first author.

## Projects & Professional Experience

### Viaduct Compiler

Ithaca, NY, 2021.5-2022.8

- Viaduct compiles sequential security-type-annotated programs into cryptographic protocols.
- Design and implementated the frontend information flow analysis and function specialization procedure.

#### Microsoft SWE Summer Intern

Sunnyvale, CA, 2017.5-2017.8

- Designed and implemented a Proxy web service that translates between OData and GraphQL protocols.

## Teaching Assistance

- CSCI 0330: Introduction to Computer Systems

- CSCI 1420: Machine learning

- CS 2800: Discrete Structures

- CS 6830: Cryptography

- CS 3110: Data Structures and Functional Programming

- CS 6110: Programming Languages

Fall 2017, Brown University

Fall 2018, Brown University

Spring & Fall 2020, Cornell University

Spring 2021, Cornell University

Spring 2024, Cornell University

Spring 2025, Cornell University