

# Sarah Azouvi

## Experience

- Jan 2020 – **Research Scientist**, *PROTOCOL LABS*.  
Present Consensus Lab
- Sept 2018 – **Research Assistant**, *UNIVERSITY COLLEGE LONDON*.  
Dec 2019 Research on applied cryptography, game theory and distributed systems
- June – May **Research Intern**, *FACEBOOK/CALIBRA*.  
2019 Research on consensus protocols
- March – May **Research Consultant**, *PROTOCOL LABS*.  
2019 Research on consensus protocols
- 2017–2019 **Teaching Assistant**, *UNIVERSITY COLLEGE LONDON*.  
Teaching assistant for a Beginner's Python course, Theory of Computation and Cryptocurrencies (MSc course)
- Various.**  
Summer internships at CREDIT SUISSE, CNRS, THALES ALENIA SPACE, Tutoring

## Education

- Sept **MRes + PhD Computer Science**, *UNIVERSITY COLLEGE LONDON*.  
2014–2019
  - PhD supervisors: Sarah Meiklejohn and George Danezis
  - Research interests: Applied Cryptography, Decentralized Systems, Game Theory
  - Scholarship granted by the EPSRC (Engineering and Physical Sciences Research Council)
  - Master of Research Dissertation: Anomaly Detection, Supervisors: George Danezis and Gianluca Stringhini
- 2013–2014 **MSc Financial Mathematics**, *UNIVERSITY COLLEGE LONDON*, MSc Thesis : Stochastic Control with Lévy Dynamics.  
Grade : Distinction
- 2011–2013 **École Supérieure d'Electricité, Supélec, Paris**, One of the leading Engineering Grandes Ecoles in the fields of Electrical Engineering, Computer Science and Telecommunications, GPA – 3.5/4.
- 2008–2011 **Lycée Henri IV, Preparatory years for the highly competitive examination to the French "Grandes Ecoles" for scientific studies**, Paris.  
Mathematics Major

## Computer skills

- Programming SOLIDITY, GO, C++, JAVA, PYTHON, MATLAB, R, JULIA  
Other L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, UNIX, MICROSOFT OFFICE, MAPLE, ANSYS MAXWELL, SIMULINK, SQL

## Other Activities

- Current Mentor for Bitcoin workshops at the London Cryptoparty. Member of the following programming groups: Pyladies London, Women Who Code London, Geekettes, LeanIn (hands-on workshops, open-source contributions, and talks)
- 2012 In charge of partnerships with corporations for the Student's Union at Supélec (BCG, Thales, Société Générale,...). As part of assignment: head of organization of the yearly Career Fair in Supélec (500 students, 30 corporations), head of organization of Handicap Day with Starting Block charity.
- 2011–2012 Involved in the organization of Gala Supélec 2011 and 2012 (5000 people) as Communication Manager (find partnerships for the event)

## Languages

## Papers

- [1] Sarah Azouvi, Mustafa Al-Bassam, and Sarah Meiklejohn. “Who am i? secure identity registration on distributed ledgers”. In: *Data Privacy Management, Cryptocurrencies and Blockchain Technology: ESORICS 2017 International Workshops, DPM 2017 and CBT 2017, Oslo, Norway, September 14–15, 2017, Proceedings*. Springer. 2017, pp. 373–389.
- [2] Sarah Azouvi and Daniele Cappelletti. “Private attacks in longest chain proof-of-stake protocols with single secret leader elections”. In: *Proceedings of the 3rd ACM Conference on Advances in Financial Technologies*. 2021, pp. 170–182.
- [3] Sarah Azouvi, George Danezis, and Valeria Nikolaenko. “Winkle: Foiling long-range attacks in proof-of-stake systems”. In: *Proceedings of the 2nd ACM Conference on Advances in Financial Technologies*. 2020, pp. 189–201.
- [4] Sarah Azouvi and Alexander Hicks. “Decentralisation conscious players and system reliability”. In: *Financial Cryptography and Data Security: 26th International Conference, FC 2022, Grenada, May 2–6, 2022, Revised Selected Papers*. Springer. 2022, pp. 426–443.
- [5] Sarah Azouvi and Alexander Hicks. “SoK: Tools for Game Theoretic Models of Security for Cryptocurrencies”. In: <https://cryptoeconomicsystems.pubpub.org/pub/93hc4t7q>. Nov. 18, 2020. URL: <https://cryptoeconomicsystems.pubpub.org/pub/93hc4t7q>.
- [6] Sarah Azouvi, Alexander Hicks, and Steven J Murdoch. “Incentives in security protocols”. In: *Security Protocols XXVI: 26th International Workshop, Cambridge, UK, March 19–21, 2018, Revised Selected Papers 26*. Springer. 2018, pp. 132–141.
- [7] Sarah Azouvi, Mary Maller, and Sarah Meiklejohn. “Egalitarian society or benevolent dictatorship: The state of cryptocurrency governance”. In: *Financial Cryptography and Data Security: FC 2018 International Workshops, BITCOIN, VOTING, and WTSC, Nieuwpoort, Curaçao, March 2, 2018, Revised Selected Papers 22*. Springer. 2019, pp. 127–143.
- [8] Sarah Azouvi, Patrick McCorry, and Sarah Meiklejohn. “Betting on blockchain consensus with fantomette”. In: *arXiv preprint arXiv:1805.06786* (2018).
- [9] Sarah Azouvi and Marko Vukolić. “Pikachu: Securing pos blockchains from long-range attacks by checkpointing into bitcoin pow using taproot”. In: *arXiv preprint arXiv:2208.05408* (2022).
- [10] Sarah Azouvi et al. “Modeling Resources in Permissionless Longest-chain Total-order Broadcast”. In: *arXiv preprint arXiv:2211.12050* (2022).
- [11] Shehar Bano et al. “SoK: Consensus in the age of blockchains”. In: *Proceedings of the 1st ACM Conference on Advances in Financial Technologies*. 2019, pp. 183–198.
- [12] Ayelet Lotem et al. “Sliding window challenge process for congestion detection”. In: *Financial Cryptography and Data Security: 26th International Conference, FC 2022, Grenada, May 2–6, 2022, Revised Selected Papers*. Springer. 2022, pp. 512–530.