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RESEARCH Interests Software and System Security, Vulnerability Discovery, Exploit Development and Mitigation, Malware Analysis, Program Analysis, Reverse Engineering

Professional Experience Department of Computer Science, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, USA

Postdoctoral Research Associate

Feb. 2017 - Present

Cybersecurity Lab, NTU, Singapore

Research Assistant Aug. 2016 - Jan. 2017

Cybersecurity Lab, NTU, Singapore

Research Scholar Aug. 2012 - July 2016

IBM, Bangalore, India

System Engineer May 2010 - July 2012

EDUCATION

Nanyang Technological University (NTU), Singapore

Ph.D., Computer Engineering

Fall 2012 - 2016

- Thesis: Hardware-Assisted Online Defense Against Malware and Exploits
- Advisors: Professor Yang Liu and Professor Wei Zhang
- GPA: 4.25/5

National Institute of Technology, Surat, India

B.Tech., Electronics Engineering

Fall 2006 - 2010

- Project: Microcontroller based Remote Weather/Pollution Monitoring System
- GPA: 8.64/10

PUBLICATIONS

Peer Reviewed Conferences & Journals

- SoK: The Challenges, Pitfalls, and Perils of Using Hardware Performance Counters for Security
 - Sanjeev Das, Jan Werner, Manos Antonakakis, Michalis Polychronakis, and Fabian Monrose. In *Proceedings of the 40th IEEE Symposium on Security & Privacy (S&P). May 2019, San Francisco, CA.*
- SGXlinger: A New Side-channel Attack Vector Based on Interrupt Latency against Enclave Execution
 - Wenjian He, Wei Zhang, **Sanjeev Das** and Yang Liu. In 36th IEEE International Conference on Computer Design (ICCD), 2018.
- ROPSentry: Runtime Defense against ROP Attacks using Hardware Performance Counters.
 - Sanjeev Das, Chen Bihuan, Mahintham Chandramohan, Yang Liu, and Wei Zhang. Computers & Security 73, 374-388 (2018). Impact Factor 2.849
- No-Jump-into-Basic-Block: Enforce Basic Block CFI on the Fly for Real-world Binaries.
 - Wenjian He, **Sanjeev Das**, Wei Zhang, Yang Liu. In *Proceedings of Design Automation Conference* (**DAC**) (Best paper nomination), 2017.
- Semantics-based Online Malware Detection: Towards Efficient Real-time Protection Against Malware.
 - Sanjeev Das, Yang Liu, Wei Zhang and Mahintham Chandramohan. *IEEE Transactions on Information Forensics and Security* (TIFS) 11.2 (2016): 289-302. Impact Factor 5.824.
- A Fine-Grained Control Flow Integrity Approach Against Runtime Memory Attacks for Embedded Systems.
 - Sanjeev Das, Wei Zhang, and Yang Liu. *IEEE Transactions on Very Large Scale Integration Systems* (TVLSI), 24.11 (2016): 3193-3207. Impact Factor 1.744.
- Online Malware Defense Using Attack Behavior Model.

 Sanjeev Das, Hao Xiao, Yang Liu, Wei Zhang. In Proceedings of IEEE International Symposium on Circuits & Systems (ISCAS), 2016.

- Reconfigurable Dynamic Trusted Platform Module for Control Flow Checking. Sanjeev Das, Wei Zhang, Yang Liu. In Proceedings of IEEE Computer Society Annual Symposium on VLSI (ISVLSI), 2014.
- FPGA Based Control Flow Checking.

 Sanjeev Das, Wei Zhang, Yang Liu. In Proceedings of Design Automation Conference (DAC), 2014 (poster).

TECHNOLOGY DISCLOSURE

• Semantics-Based Online Malware Detection: Towards Efficient Real-Time Protection Against Malware.

Yang Liu, Thambipillai Srikanthan, **Sanjeev Das**. Technology Disclosure for Nanyang Technological University (**TD/098/16**), 2016.

• Malware Defense Using Attack Behavior Model.

Yang Liu, Thambipillai Srikanthan, **Sanjeev Das**. Technology Disclosure for Nanyang Technological University (**TD/099/16**), 2016.

• Runtime Security Protection Using Hardware Specific Features.
Yang Liu, Thambipillai Srikanthan, Sanjeev Das. Technology Disclosure for Nanyang Technological University (TD/100/16), 2016.

Professional Services

Program Committee Member:

• The 22nd International Symposium on Research in Attacks, Intrusions and Defenses (RAID), Beijing, China, September 23-25, 2019.

Journal Reviewer:

- ACM Computing Survey
- Computer & security
- International Journal of Information Security
- IET Information Security
- IEEE Access
- IET Computers & Digital Techniques

Conference Talks

SoK: The Challenges, Pitfalls, and Perils of Using Hardware Performance Counters for Security.

In IEEE Symposium on Security & Privacy (S&P). May 2019, San Francisco, CA.

Online Malware Defense Using Attack Behavior Model.

In IEEE Int'l Symposium on Circuits & Systems (ISCAS), Montreal, Canada, May 2016.

Awards & Fellowship

Singapore International Graduate Award (SINGA)

Aug. 2012 - July 2016

• Full scholarship to pursue PhD study at Nanyang Technological University.

Nepal Aid Fund Scholarship

2006 - 2010

• Selected in top 70 students (out of 10,000) to pursue undergraduate study by Ministry of External Affairs, India, with a full scholarship.

IBM

- Roll of Honor for the excellence in design and coding of the application.
- **GEM** (**Great Ericsson Minds**) award by the joint collaboration of IBM and the client Ericsson.

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

School of Computer Science and Engineering, NTU, Singapore

Teaching Assistant

Jan. 2015 - April 2015

• CZ2005: Operating Systems

TECHNICAL SKILLS

- Languages: ASM (x86), C, C++, Python, Bash, LATEX, Java
- Architectures: x86, x86-64
- Experience with Fuzzing
- Experience with crash dump analysis and exploit development
- Device driver development on Windows/Linux

- API hooking, DLL injection
- Debugger: WinDbg, Immunity Debugger, GDB, Valgrind
- Operating Systems: Linux, Windows, Mac OS, Kali
- $\bullet\,$ Virtualization tools: VMware, Virtualbox
- Web Platform: J2EE (JSP & Servlet), WebSphere Portal, HTML, jQuery, XML
- IDE: Eclipse, Visual Studio
- Security tools: Metasploit, IDA, Wireshark