Sanket Kanjalkar

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INTERESTS Bitcoin and Blockchains, Applied Cryptography, Computer Security, Machine Learning

EDUCATION University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign 4.0/4.0

Master of Science, Computer Science, 2018-2020 A+ in all courses

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Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Bombay, India

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B.Tech with Honors, Computer Science and Engineering, 2012-16

PUBLICATION I can't believe it's not Stake: Resource exhaustion attacks on Proof of Stake currencies;

S. Kanjalkar, Y.Li, J.Kuo, A. Miller; (Financial Crypto'19, St.kitts)

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RELEVANT WORK EXPERIENCE

Blockstream Research | Research Intern

May'19 - Aug'19

- Research and development of Minisript, a new language for writing bitcoin scripts
- Implemented an open source library called rust-miniscript written in **rust** which allows smooth interoperation between wallets from different vendors

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign | Graduate Research Assistant Aug'18 - Present

- Lead the project to responsibly disclose resource exhuastion vulnerabilities affecting several currencies having a total of 2.6 B USD market cap

 Aug'18-Jan'19
- Evaluating the security and privacy of lightning network, an off-chain Layer-2 scaling solution for bitcoin against denial of service and payment inference attacks

 Dec'19 Present
- Teaching assistant for Applied Cryptography (Fall '19) and Intro to CS (Fall' 18)

SAMSUNG | Associate Software Engineer, Seoul HQ, Korea, DTV Security Aug'16 - June'18

- Software development: Designed a distributed system from scratch via Enterprise Architect and implementated it across multiple machines with rpc support via rabbitMQ, Spring framework for webservers, postgreSQL/hibernate for database with CI/TDD.
- Data Analytics: Automated Weekly Security Status report generation based on analytics on TV security reports from tens of thousands of Smart TVs worldwide.
- **Devops/Reliability:** Ensured smooth deployment, maintainance and high availability of appx. 15 systems in production.

SAMSUNG | Research Intern, Visual Display

May - Jul '15

• Performed qualitative research on methods to determine a trust metric using Machine Learning for an IoT(Internet of Things) device in an IoT ecosystem. Recieved Pre-placement Offer for my work.

SELECTED PROJECTS

Undergraduate Dissertation | IIT Bombay, July'15-Mayc'16

Static Analysis of programs for checking malicious behavior using clustering techniques on control flow graphs of programs.

SVM in Zero Knowledge | UIUC, Aug-Dec'18

Any prover can convince the verifier that the SVM classifier classifies a known dataset with a certain accuracy without revealing any **secret** weights used in the classifier.

Vandalism detection using car OBD port | Carsense Technologies, Jun-Aug'16

Implemented logic for detecting vandalism, towing and gps location tracking on STM32 IC in low level C for an embedded device connected to OBD port of the car.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Programming: Rust, C, C++, Java EE, Python, Shell, Matlab, SQL

Frameworks/Tools: Spring, Enterprise Architect, Hibernate, PyTorch, RabbitMQ

RELEVANT COURSES (Grad)Applied Cryptography(A+), Computer Security(A+), ML(A+), Formal methods(A+) (Undergrad) Data Structures/Algo, Graph Theory, Linear Optimization, AI, Reinforcement learning

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Awarded 15,000\$ by the QTUM foundation for responsible disclosure of security vulnerability.
- Recieved full scholarship (4000\$) to attend the workshop of Programming Blockchain
- Co-organizer of Seoul Bitcoin Meetup with over 2200 members. Conducted tens of technical presentations on bitcoin and 1 hands on developer workshop about Bitcoin Scripts 2016-2018
- Secured All India Rank 29 in IIT-JEE