# Feng Xiao

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RESEARCH INTERESTS Software security, web security, and program analysis. My work has been used by top companies like Google and resulted in many important updates in the popular open source software such as MongoDB (more than 30 CVEs are assigned).

**EDUCATION** 

Georgia Institute of Technology, USA

Ph.D. in Computer Sciences

August 2019 - now

**Wuhan University**, China B.E. in Computer Science

Sept 2014 - June 2018

**PUBLICATIONS** 

4 papers in top-tier academic security conferences (Okaland, CCS, SEC) 3 papers in top-tier industry security conference (BlackHat USA, DEFCON USA)

#### PEER-REVIEWED CONFERENCES

- [1] Understanding and Mitigating Remote Code Execution Vulnerabilities in Cross-Platform Ecosystem Feng Xiao, Zheng Yang, Joey Allen, Guangliang Yang, Grant Williams, Wenke Lee In Proceedings of the ACM Conference on Computer and Communications Security (CCS), 2022.
- [2] Abusing Hidden Properties to Attack Node.js Ecosystem

  Feng Xiao, Jianwei Huang, Yichang Xiong, Guangliang Yang, Hong Hu, Guofei Gu, Wenke Lee
  In Proceedings of the USENIX Security Symposium (SEC), 2021.
- [3] Active Link Obfuscation to Thwart Link-flooding Attacks for Internet of Things
  Xuyang Ding, Feng Xiao, Man Zhou, Zhibo Wang
  In Proceedings of the IEEE International Conference on Trust, Security and Privacy in Computing and Communications (TrustCom), 2020.
- [4] Unexpected Data Dependency Creation and Chaining: A New Attack to SDN

  Feng Xiao, Jinquan Zhang, Jianwei Huang, Guofei Gu, Dinghao Wu, Peng Liu
  In Proceedings of the IEEE Symposium on Security and Privacy (Oakland), 2020.
- [5] PatternListener: Cracking Android Pattern Lock Using Acoustic Signals Man Zhou, Qian Wang, Jingxiao Yang, Qi Li, Feng Xiao, Zhibo Wang, Xiaofeng Chen In Proceedings of the ACM Conference on Computer and Communications Security (CCS), 2018.
- [6] CHAOS: An SDN-Based Moving Target Defense System Yuan Shi, Huanguo Zhang, Juan Wang, **Feng Xiao**, Jianwei Huang, Daochen Zha In Proceedings of Security and Communication Networks (SCN), 2017.

### INDUSTRIAL CONFERENCE/POSTER

- [7] Discovering Hidden Properties to Attack the Node.js Ecosystem Feng Xiao, Jianwei Huang, Yichang Xiong, Guangliang Yang, Hong Hu, Guofei Gu, Wenke Lee In Black Hat USA Briefings, 2020.
- [8] Hidden Properties in Node.js Ecosystem
  Feng Xiao, Jianwei Huang, Yichang Xiong, Guangliang Yang, Hong Hu, Guofei Gu, Wenke Lee
  In DEFCON USA Briefings, 2020.

[9] Hacking the Brain: Customize Evil Protocol to Pwn an SDN Controller Feng Xiao, Jianwei Huang, Peng Liu In DEFCON USA Briefings, 2018.

[10] Enabling Secure Location Authentication in Drone (poster)

Feng Xiao, Man Zhou, Youchen Liye, Qian Wang

In the 23th Annual International Conference on Mobile Computing and Networking (Mobi-Com), 2017

## HONORS AND AWARDS

	Most Innovative Research Award Runner-Up, Pwnie Award	2020
	Presidential Scholarship (9000 USD), Georgia Tech	2019
	ACM CCS Student Travel Grant	2018
	Rednor IST Fellowship (7000 USD), Penn State University	2018
	Xiaomi Scholarship (3000 USD), Wuhan University	2017
	ACM MobiCom Student Travel Grant (1000 USD)	2017
1	China National Scholarship (Highest student honor nation wide, 1200 USD)	2016
	Yuanyi Scholarship (3000 USD), Wuhan University	2015
	Hall of Fame, T00ls (largest Chinese security community)	2014

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#### RESEARCH GRANTS AI-Assisted Prevention of Supply Chain Attacks on Programming Language Package Mangers Senior Personnel.

Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA)

With Wenke Lee (co-PI) and Taesoo Kim

07/2021 - 12/2022

# Interactive Editing Techniques for Subsetting and Dialeting Network Protocol

Senior Personnel.

Office of Navel Research (ONR)

With Taesoo Kim (PI), Brendan Saltaformaggio, William Harris, Santosh Pande, Alessandro Orso and Wenek Lee

04/2018 - 10/2023

#### OPEN SOURCE **CONTRIBUTION**

Tsunami-Callback: An web vulnerability detection service used and maintained by Google

https://github.com/google/tsunami-security-scanner-callback-server

Lynx: An automatic tool for detecting JavaScript hidden property vulnerabilities Lead author.

https://github.com/xiaofen9/XGuard

SVHunter: An automatic tool for detecting cross-component data poisoning issues in Softwaredefining Networking (SDN) Controllers

Lead author.

https://github.com/xiaofen9/SVhunter

#### **INVITED TALKS**

#### **Automatic Web Vulnerability Detection**

Google, Virtually 2019

2021

Abusing Hidden Properties to Attack Node.js Ecosystem

USENIX Security, Virtually

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	BlackHat USA, Virtually DEFCON USA, Virtually	2020 2020
	Unexpected Data Dependency Creation and Chaining: A New Attack to SD Oakland, Virtually	<b>DN</b> 2020
	Hacking the Brain: Customize Evil Protocol to Pwn an SDN Controller DEFCON USA, Virtually	2019
TEACHING Experience	School of Computer Science, Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, GA, U	ISA
EM EMEIVEE	Graduate Teaching Assistant CS 6035 Introduction to Information Security	August 2022 - now