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Research and Teaching

My research interests include system privacy and security, distributed AI systems, sustainable computing, and edge and cloud computing. My current research directions include optimization, security and AI in edge and cloud systems. I am a senior member of IEEE and member of ACM. Currently, I serve as an associate editor for IEEE Transactions on Dependable and Secure Computing and a member of the IEEE Transactions on Parallel and Distributed Systems Review Board.

As a teacher, I believe that creative thinking is as important as content mastery. I want students to value their own ability to think creatively, and I encourage them to use novel ways to demonstrate their knowledge. I prefer to use examples and data from industry for presenting information and emphasizing the importance to students. Due to my academic and industrial background, I can teach units in the areas of computer science, AI, software engineering, networks, distributed systems, programming language, algorithms, cloud computing and cybersecurity.

Work Experiences

2023 – Now Senior Lecturer (Equiv. to Associate Professor in US), Lecturer @ RMIT University
Research: privacy, security and sustainability for distributed AI and networking systems in edge and cloud
Teaching: develop and delivery software engineering courses, and design a master major program

2022 – 2023 Lecturer (Equiv. to Assistant Professor in US) @ University of Southern Queensland
Research: edge and cloud computing, distributed systems, privacy and security
Teaching: develop and delivery web application courses

2021 – 2022 Research Assistant, Postdoctoral Research Fellow @ The University of Adelaide
Research: edge and cloud computing, distributed systems, privacy and security

Funded Project

- 2025-2027 ARC Discovery Project**
“Privacy-Aware Intelligent Digital Twin for Secure Critical Infrastructures”, \$506k+ from Australian Research Council, Australia
- 2024-2025 CSIRO-RMIT Research Masters Project**
Optimizing Collaborative Learning at the Constrained Edge with Privacy Awareness”, jointly funded by CSIRO and RMIT University, Australia
- 2023-2024 Advance HE Global Impact Grants**
“Empowering Female Cybersecurity Leaders: Bridging the Gender Gap in Cybersecurity Education”, funded by Advance HE, United Kingdom
- 2022 Academic Affairs Research Collaboration Grant**
“Cost-Effective and Secure Data Management in Edge Computing”, funded by University of Southern Queensland, Australia

Teaching Experiences

- 2026 – Now Program Manager - Bachelor of Software Engineering, RMIT University**
- 2023 – 2025 Program Manager - Master of Information Technology, RMIT University**
- 2024 – Now Academic Member - STEM College Program and Course Management Committee, RMIT University**
- 2024 – Now Master Major Program Designer - Master of Cybersecurity in Critical Infrastructure, RMIT University**

- 2023 – Now** **Coordinator & Lecturer**, RMIT University
2022 – 2023 **Coordinator & Lecturer**, University of Southern Queensland
2019 – 2021 **Tutor**, Swinburne University of Technology

Education

- 2018 – 2021** **Doctor of Philosophy – PhD, Information Technology**
@ Deakin University, Melbourne, Australia
2013 – 2015 **Master of Information Technology**
@ The University of Melbourne, Melbourne, Australia
2009 – 2013 **Bachelor of Engineering in Computer Science and Technology**
@ National Huaqiao University, Xiamen, China

Awards

- 2023 – Now** **World's Top 2% Scientists**, Stanford University
2025 **RMIT Early Career Researcher Award for Research Excellence**, RMIT University
2023 **Alfred Deakin Medal for Doctoral Theses in 2022**, Deakin University
2021 **Teaching Excellence Award**, Swinburne University of Technology
2021 **Postgraduate Research Award**, Deakin University
2020 **Outstanding Service**, IEEE/ACM International Conference on Automated Software Engineering (ASE)
2018 – 2021 **Postgraduate Research Scholarship**, Deakin University

Professional Services

- 2025 – Now** **Associate Editor**
@ IEEE Transactions on Dependable and Secure Computing
2023 – Now **Technical Review Board Member**
@ IEEE Transactions on Parallel and Distributed Systems
2023 – Now **Program Committee Member**
@ ACM The Web Conference
2026 **Program Committee Member**
@ Privacy Enhancing Technologies Symposium, and ISOC Fellowship Review Committee for @ NDSS
2025 **Program Committee Member**
@ International Symposium on Research in Attacks, Intrusions and Defenses
2023 **Program Committee Member**
@ IEEE International Conference on Data Mining (Workshop) & International Joint Conference on Neural Networks (Workshop)
2022 **Program Committee Member**
@ Pacific Rim International Conference on Artificial Intelligence & IEEE International Conference on Edge Computing & Asian Conference on Computer Vision (Workshop)
2023 – Now **Seminar Series Chair**
@ The RMIT University Centre for Cyber Security Research and Innovation (CCSRI)

Selected Publications

My total citations are 2,213 and h-index is 28 on Google Scholar.

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6. Ziqi Wang, **Xiaoyu Xia**, Ibrahim Khalil, Minghui Liwang, Minhui Xue, MoSEEC: Sustainable and Trajectory Privacy-Preserving Edge Resource Management, IEEE Transactions on Mobile Computing (**TMC, CCF A, CORE A***), 2025.
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10. X. Xu, K. Meng, H. Xiang, G. Cui, **X. Xia**, W. Dou, Blockchain-Enabled Secure, Fair and Scalable Data Sharing in Zero-Trust Edge-End Environment, IEEE Journal on Selected Areas in Communications (**JSAC, CCF A, Q1**), 2025.
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