

# Yaohui Chen

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## Education

- 2017 - 2019 **Ph.D.**, *College of Computer and Information Science*, Northeastern University, Boston, MA, Advisor: Prof. Long Lu.
- 2014 - 2017 **Ph.D.**, *Department of Computer Science*, Stony Brook University (transferred to Northeastern University), Stony Brook, NY, Advisor: Prof. Long Lu.  
GPA:3.90/4.00
- 2013 - 2013 **Exchange Student**, Polytechnic University of Catalonia, Barcelona, Spain.
- 2010 - 2014 **B.Sc.**, *Department of Computer Science*, Tongji University, Shanghai, China.

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## Research Interests

My research interests mainly include **Bug Finding Automation**, **Program Analysis**, **Binary Exploit Mitigations**, **Virtualization**, **Operating System** and **Mobile Security**.

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## Experiences

- Dec. 2019 - **Research Scientist**, *Program Analysis Team*, Facebook.  
present
- May. 2017 - **Research Assistant**, *RiS3 Lab*, Northeastern University.  
Oct. 2019
- Sep. 2018 - **Research Intern**, *Software Analysis Team*, Google.  
Dec. 2018
- June. 2018 - **Research Intern**, *System Security and Privacy Research*, Microsoft Research.  
Aug. 2018
- Feb. 2018 - **Research Intern**, *X-Lab*, Baidu USA.  
May. 2018
- May. 2017 - **Research Intern**, *B2B Lab*, Samsung Research America.  
Sep. 2017
- May. 2016 - **Research Intern**, *B2B Lab*, Samsung Research America.  
Sep. 2016
- Aug. 2014 - **Research Assistant**, *RiS3 Lab*, Stony Brook University.  
May. 2017

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## Publications

**SoK: All You Ever Wanted to Know About x86/x64 Binary Disassembly But Were Afraid to Ask**, *Chengbin Pang, Ruotong Yu, Yaohui Chen, Eric Koskinen, Georgios Portokalidis, Bing Mao, Jun Xu*, In the proceeding of the 42th IEEE Symposium on Security and Privacy (Oakland'21).

**MEUZZ: Smart Seed Scheduling for Hybrid Fuzzing**, *Yaohui Chen, Mansour Ahmadi, Reza Mirzazade farkhani, Boyu Wang, Long Lu*, In the proceeding of the 23rd International Symposium on Research in Attacks, Intrusions and Defenses (RAID'20).

**SAVIOR: Towards Bug-Driven Hybrid Testing**, *Yaohui Chen, Peng Li, Jun Xu, Shengjian Guo, Rundong Zhou, Yulong Zhang, Taowei, Long Lu*, In the proceeding of the 41th IEEE Symposium on Security and Privacy (Oakland'20).

**FUDGE: Fuzz Driver Generation at Scale**, *Domagoj Babic, Stefan Bucur, Yaohui Chen, Franjo Ivancic, Tim King, Markus Kusano, Caroline Lemieux, Laszlo Szekeres and Wei Wang*, In the proceeding of The ACM Joint European Software Engineering Conference and Symposium on the Foundations of Software Engineering (ESEC/FSE'19), (*Best Paper Award*).

**Pttrix: Efficient Hardware-Assisted Fuzzing for COTS Binary**, *Yaohui Chen, Dongliang Mu, Zhichuang Sun, Jun Xu, Wenguo Shen, Xinyu Xing, Long Lu, Bing Mao*, In Proceedings of the 14th ACM on Asia Conference on Computer and Communications Security (AsiaCCS'19).

**Compiler-assisted Code Randomization**, *Hyungjoon Koo, Yaohui Chen, Long Lu, Vasileios P. Kemerlis, Michalis Polychronakis*, In the proceeding of the 39th IEEE Symposium on Security and Privacy (Oakland'18), (*Final list, CSAW 2018*).

**InstaGuard: Instantly Deployable Hot-patches for Vulnerable System Programs on Android**, *Yaohui Chen, Yuping Li, Long Lu, Yueh-Hsun Lin, Hayawardh Vijayakumar, Zhi Wang, Xinming Ou*, In Proceedings of the 2018 Network and Distributed System Security Symposium (NDSS'18).

**Norax: Enabling Execute-Only Memory for COTS Binaries on AArch64**, *Yaohui Chen, Dongli Zhang, Ruowen Wang, Rui Qiao, Ahmed Azab, Long Lu, Hayawardh Vijayakumar, Wenbo Shen*, In the proceeding of the 38th IEEE Symposium on Security and Privacy (Oakland'17), (*Third Place of Best Paper Award in Applied Cyber Security Research, CSAW 2017*).

**Secure Integration of Web Content and Applications on Commodity Mobile Operating Systems**, *Drew Davidson, Yaohui Chen, Franklin George, Long Lu, Somesh Jha*, In Proceedings of the 12th ACM on Asia Conference on Computer and Communications Security (AsiaCCS'17).

**Shreds: Fine-grained Execution Units with Private Memory**, *Yaohui Chen, Sebassujeen Reymondjohnson, Zhichuang Sun, Long Lu*, In the proceeding of the 37th IEEE Symposium on Security and Privacy (Oakland'16).

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## Research Projects

June. 2018 - **Hyper-V hypervisor coverage feedback-guided fuzz testing.**  
Aug. 2018

- Studied the existing automatic testing solutions for Hyper-V hypervisor.
- Designed and implemented code coverage guided fuzzer for Hyper-V hypervisor.
- The end-to-end solution involved Intel-PT virtualization support for hardware tracing.
- Discovered 3 real bugs in the newest Hyper-V hypervisor and they have been fixed.
- The solution has been adopted into Hyper-V hypervisor testing process before release.

May. 2017 - **Harnessing Efficiency of Fuzzing and Soundness of Symbolic Execution.**  
 Aug. 2017

- Studied the inefficiency of symbolic execution and unsoundness of fuzzing.
- Developed light-weight static analysis to guide symbolic execution.
- Developed infrastructure to coordinate KLEE, AFL and static analysis components.
- Evaluated the framework on real-world programs including ARM TrustZone TAs, commonly fuzzed applications and showed it out-performed the state-of-the-art.

## Services

2020 - **ACM Transactions on Privacy and Security (TOPS)**, *Journal Reviewer*.  
 Present

2020 - **IEEE Transactions on Dependable and Secure Computing (TDSC)**, *Journal Reviewer*.  
 Present

2016 - **IET Information Security**, *Journal Reviewer*.  
 Present

2020 **International Symposium on Research in Attacks, Intrusions and Defenses (RAID)**, *Program Committee*.

2020 **ACM Conference on Computer and Communications Security (CCS)**, *Program Committee*.

## Honors and Awards

2019 **Best Paper Award**, ACM ESEC/FSE.

2019 **Google Fellowship Nomination**, Northeastern University.

2018 **RSA Scholarship**, *RSA Conference 2018*, U.S.A.

2017 **Best Paper Award**, CSAW, U.S.A.

2014 **Chair Fellowship**, *Department of Computer Science*, Stony Brook University.

2013 **Exchange Student Scholarship**, *Department of Computer Science*, Tongji University.

2012 **Second-Class Scholarship**, *Department of Computer Science*, Tongji University.

## Professional Skills

OS **Linux, Android, Windows.**

Programming **C, C++, Java, Python, System-verilog, ARM/x86/Sparc/MIPS assembly.**

Compiler **Clang, LLVM.**

Misc **Kubernetes, Reverse Engineering, Program Analysis, ELF Binary Linking Loading Toolchain.**