# **Zhen Zhang**

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#### **EDUCATION**

Johns Hopkins University — Whiting School of Engineering, Baltimore, MD

Ph.D. in Computer Science Sep. 2018 – .

GPA: 4.00 / 4.00

Lehigh University — P.C. Rossin College of Engineering & Applied Science, Bethlehem, PA

Ph.D. in Computer Science Aug. 2016 – Jul. 2018

GPA: 3.97 / 4.00

Zhejiang University of Technology, Hangzhou, China

B.E. in Software Engineering Sep. 2011 – Jul. 2015

GPA: 3.86 / 4.00

# RESEARCH PROJECTS

## Correlating Description and Permission with Transfer Learning

Guide: Dr. Yinzhi Cao May. 2018 – Jun. 2019

o Applied Neural Network models include DAN, CNNs, word-embeddings and LSTMs

- Applied novel domain selection algorithm which is an important for performance boosting
- Applied Transfer Learning techniques and achieved around 82% precision on average (improved around 8% comparing to training from scratch)
- o Created sentence-to-permission data-sets for Android, IFTTT and Chrome Extension platforms

## **Embedding Word Relationship**

Guide: Dr. Sihong Xie Sep. 2017 – Mar. 2018

- o Proposed encoding word relationship, modification, into word-Embeddings space
- o Proposed new loss function for word embedding training to encode modification relationship in sentences
- Proposed novel Negative Sampling idea for word-embedding training to improve result quality

# Towards a Secure Zero-rating Framework with Three Parties

Guide: Dr. Yinzhi Cao Jan. 2017 – May. 2018

- o Implemented proxy-based attack module to attack existing zero-rating system
- o Implemented anti-IP-whitelist attack to attack theoretical IP based defense
- Implemented network packet parsing, packet integrity and authenticity checking, and packet control modules at control plane of Software-defined networking (SDN)
- Given a presentation at USENIX Security 2018

## WORK EXPERIENCE

State Street, Hangzhou, China

Software Engineer Aug. 2015 – Jan. 2016

- o Integrated Cloakware into Intranet OAuth. System.
- o Developed a Services Monitoring System based on open-source Watchmen (P.O.C. project)
- Deployed Message Queue system with ActiveMQ
- o Combined Message Queue with Authentication System. (P.O.C project)

## LogisLand, Hangzhou, China

Software Engineer Intern Jul. 2014 – Oct. 2014

- o Implemented a web spider to collect trading data using Python
- Implemented the data pulling module of the trading system using C++

### **SKILLS & OTHERS**

**Machine Learning**: Linear Regression, Neural Networks, Word Embeddings model, Adversarial Learning, Kernel Method, Transfer Learning

Programming Languages: proficient in Python, Java. Experienced with C++, Javascript, Matlab

Frameworks: Numpy, Pytorch, Tensorflow, sklearn

**Interests**: computer games, assemble/dismantle electronic devices, learning mathematical concepts

Teaching Assistant: CS601.220 Intermediate Programming

Open Courses: Computational Investing, Part I(2013), The Data Scientist's Toolbox(2014)