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PROFESSIONAL PROFILE

Computer & Network security, and Program analysis & Formal methods

EDUCATION

The University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC, USA Aug. 2014 - July. 2020

Ph.D. and M.S. in Computer Science advised by Michael Reiter

Thesis: Evaluating Information Leakage by Quantitative and Interpretable Measurements

Shanghai Jiao Tong University, Shanghai, China

Sep. 2010 - Jun. 2014

B.Eng. in Information Security Engineering

EXPERIENCE

Google, Inc.

Aug. 2020 - present

Software Engineer

Sunnyvale, CA

- Improving production security infrastructure.

University of North Carolina

Aug. 2014 - July. 2020

Research assistant advised by Michael Reiter

Chapel Hill, NC, USA

- A new framework to model and interpret information leakage in actual hardware implementation (e.g., RISC-V-BOOM) through formal methods.

- A scalable measurement to quantify information leakage in software using symbolic execution and model counting.

- “Copy-On-Access” and Cacheability Management mechanisms to defend against cache-based side channel leakage; And Implemented them into CACHEBAR as a memory subsystem.

Google Inc.

May 2019 - Aug. 2019

Software engineering intern advised by Michael Vrabie

Sunnyvale, CA, USA

- Machine’s booting security with multi-version softwares.

NEC Laboratories America Inc.

May 2018 - Aug. 2018

Research intern advised by Junghwan Rhee

Princeton, NJ, USA

- A protocol-independent traffic anomaly detection in OT system.

Shanghai Jiao Tong University

Jun. 2012 - Jun. 2014

Volunteer undergraduate research assistant advised by Pin Yi

Shanghai, China

- A context-aware localization using multiple wireless anchors.

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- **Z. Zhou** and M. K. Reiter. Interpretable Noninterference Measurement and its Application to Processor Designs. *Under submission.*

- **Z. Zhou**, Z. Qian, M. K. Reiter, and Y. Zhang. Static evaluation of noninterference using approximate model counting. In *Proceedings of the 39th IEEE Symposium on Security and Privacy*, May 2018 (acceptance rate 11.5% = 63/549) .
- **Z. Zhou**, M. K. Reiter, and Y. Zhang. A software approach to defeating side channels in last-level caches. In *Proceedings of the 23rd ACM Conference on Computer and Communications Security*, October 2016 (acceptance rate 16.5% = 137/831).
- Q. Zhang, Y. Yao, T. Zhu, **Z. Zhou**, W. Xu, P. Yi, S. Xiao Dynamic Enhanced Field Division: An Advanced Localizing and Tracking Middleware. In *the ACM Transactions on Sensor Networks*, December 2018.
- Q. Zhang and W. Xu and Z. Huang and **Z. Zhou** and P. Yi and T. Zhu and S. Xiao Context-Centric Target Localization with Optimal Anchor Deployments. In *Proceedings of the 5th International Green Computing Conference*, November 2014(acceptance rate 20.5% = 39/190).
- Q. Zhang, **Z. Zhou**, W. Xu, J. Qi, C. Guo, P. Yi, T. Zhu, and S. Xiao. Fingerprint-free tracking with dynamic enhanced field division. In *Proceedings of the 34th IEEE Conference on Computer Communications*, April 2015(acceptance rate 20.5% = 39/190).
- **Z. Zhou**, M. Xie, T. Zhu, W. Xu, P. Yi, Z. Huang, Q. Zhang, and S. Xiao. EEP2P: An energy-efficient and economy-efficient P2P network protocol. In *Proceedings of the 5th International Green Computing Conference*, November 2014(acceptance rate 19.3% = 316/1,640).

POSTERS & TALK

- **Interpretable Noninterference Measurement and its Application to Processor Designs.** Talk, *The 2nd Annual Workshop of the Side Channel Academic Programme*, Online, Sep., 2020.
- **Static evaluation of noninterference in the RISC-V CPU using approximate model counting.** Poster, *The 1st Annual Workshop of the Side Channel Academic Programme*, Hillsboro, OR, USA, Jun., 2019.
- **Static evaluation of noninterference using approximate model counting.** Talk, *IEEE Symposium on Security and Privacy (S&P)*, San Francisco, CA, USA, May, 2018.
- **Software Approach to Defeating Side Channels in Last-Level Caches.** Talk, *ACM Conference on Computer and Communications Security (CCS)*, Vienna, Austria, Oct., 2016.
- **CacheBar : A Software Approach to Defeating Side Channels in Last-Level Caches.** Poster, *Cloud Security Horizons (CSH) Summit*, New York, USA, Mar., 2016.

HONORS & AWARDS

- Shanghai Jiao Tong University Scholarship, 2013.
- Tencent innovation scholarship, 2012.
- Shanghai Jiao Tong University Scholarship, 2011.
- First Prize in Student Computer Robotics Competition, Hubei, China, 2008.

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