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BASIC INFORMATION

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EDUCATION

Ph.D. Candidate in Computer Science

August 2014–

Advisor: Prof. Ari Juels
Dept. of Computer Science
Cornell University

B.S. in Electronic Engineering

Aug, 2010 – Jul, 2014

Dept. of Electronic Engineering
Tsinghua University, Beijing, China
GPA: 91.1 (out of 100)

RESEARCH INTERESTS

I'm interested in systems security and applied cryptography. In particular, my recent projects explore new security models offered by a combination of blockchains and trusted hardware (e.g. Intel SGX).

WORKING EXPERIENCE

Researcher intern
SPR, Intel Labs

Jul, 2017 – Aug, 2017
Hillsboro, OR

- Worked on SGX-based confidential off-chain smart contracts.

System developer intern
Intel OpenSource Technology Center (01.org)

Jun, 2013 – May, 2014
Beijing, China

- Contributed to the secure NFC payment component in Tizen OS
- Revamped the CVE scanner for Tizen OS

PUBLICATIONS

- [1] F. Zhang, P. Daian, I. Bentov, and A. Juels, *Paralysis proofs: Safe access-structure updates for cryptocurrencies and more*, Cryptology ePrint Archive, Report 2018/096, 2018.
- [2] I. Bentov, Y. Ji, F. Zhang, Y. Li, X. Zhao, L. Breidenbach, P. Daian, and A. Juels, *Tesseract: Real-time cryptocurrency exchange using trusted hardware*, Cryptology ePrint Archive, Report 2017/1153, 2017.
- [3] E. Cecchetti, F. Zhang, Y. Ji, A. Kosba, A. Juels, and E. Shi, “Solidus: Confidential distributed ledger transactions via pvorm,” in *ACM CCS 2017*, 2017.
- [4] F. Zhang, I. Eyal, R. Escriva, A. Juels, and R. van Renesse, “Rem: Resource-efficient mining for blockchains,” in *USENIX Security 17*, 2017.
- [5] F. Tramer, F. Zhang, H. Lin, J.-P. Hubaux, A. Juels, and E. Shi, “Sealed-glass proofs: Using transparent enclaves to prove and sell knowledge,” in *EuroS&P’17*, 2017.

- [6] F. Zhang, E. Cecchetti, K. Croman, A. Juels, and E. Shi, “Town crier: An authenticated data feed for smart contracts,” in *ACM CCS’16*, ser. CCS ’16, Vienna, Austria: ACM, 2016, pp. 270–282, ISBN: 978-1-4503-4139-4. DOI: [10.1145/2976749.2978326](https://doi.org/10.1145/2976749.2978326).
- [7] F. Tramer, F. Zhang, A. Juels, M. Reiter, and T. Ristenpart, “Stealing machine learning models via prediction APIs,” in *USENIX Security’16*, Austin, TX: USENIX Association, 2016.
- [8] L. Yang, Y. Cui, F. Zhang, J. P. Pollak, S. Belongie, and D. Estrin, “Plateclick: Bootstrapping food preferences through an adaptive visual interface,” in *Proceedings of the 24th ACM International on Conference on Information and Knowledge Management*, ACM, 2015, pp. 183–192.

PROFESSIONAL
ACTIVITY

- PC Member: The 5th Workshop on Bitcoin and Blockchain Research (BITCOIN’18). In association with Financial Crypto 2018.

INVITED TALKS

REM

- USENIX Security’17, Vancouver BC, Canada. August, 2017
- Town Crier**
- Silicon Valley Ethereum Meetup, Santa Clara, CA. August, 2017
- IC3 Retreat, San Francisco, CA. March, 2017
- CCS’16, Vienna, Austria. October, 2016
- IC3 Retreat, New York City. May, 2016

SOFTWARE
ARTIFACTS

- [1] Town Crier: an Authenticated Data Feed For Smart Contracts
<http://github.com/bl4ck5un/Town-Crier>
- [2] mbedtls-SGX: a SGX-friendly TLS stack (ported from mbedtls)
<https://github.com/bl4ck5un/mbedtls-SGX>
- [3] Stealing Machine Learning Models via Prediction APIs
<https://github.com/ftramer/Steal-ML>

TEACHING
EXPERIENCE

- Part-time Teaching Assistant* 2015, Fall
- CS 5435: Security and Privacy in the Wild
- Teaching Assistant* 2015, Spring
- CS5300: The Architecture of Large-scale Information Systems
- Teaching Assistant* 2014, Fall
- CS4410: Operating Systems

HONORS AND
AWARDS

- Academic Excellence Scholarship* 2013
- from Tsinghua University
- National Scholarship* 2012
- from the Ministry of Education of China

Freshman Scholarship
from Tsinghua University

2010