

# Ziming Zhao

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### EXPERIENCE

- Assistant Professor, Rochester Institute of Technology, Aug 2018 - Present
- Assistant Research Professor, Arizona State University, Sep 2015 - Aug 2018
- Postdoctoral Scholar, Arizona State University, Sep 2014 - Sep 2015
- Research Assistant, Arizona State University, Aug 2009 - Sep 2014
- Teaching Assistant, Arizona State University, Aug 2009 - May 2010
- Student Intern, Microsoft Research Asia, 2008 - 2009
- Research Assistant, Beijing University of Posts and Telecommunications, 2006 - 2008

### EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Computer Science	Arizona State University, Tempe	2014
M.S. in Cryptography	Beijing University of Posts and Telecommunications, Beijing	2009
B.E. in Automation	Beijing University of Posts and Telecommunications, Beijing	2006

### HONORS and AWARDS

- Best Paper Award, ITU Kaleidoscope 2016: ICTs for a Sustainable World, 2016
- Best Paper Award, the 4th ACM Conference on Data and Application Security and Privacy (CODASPY), 2014
- Top 10 Finalist of Best Applied Security Paper Award, New York University Cyber Security Awareness Week (CSAW), 2015
- 3rd Place, Extreme Networks SDN Innovation Challenge, 2015
- Outstanding Poster Award, the 8th ACM Conference on Data and Application Security and Privacy (CODASPY), 2018
- University Graduate Fellowship, Arizona State University, 2009
- Star of Future, Microsoft Research Asia, 2009

### RESEARCH SPECIALTIES

I am interested in security and privacy related problems in computer and communications systems. In particular, my research foci include **system and software security**, e.g., utilizing hardware primitives to design and implement secure systems for attack mitigations; **network and web security**, e.g., designing novel firewall and intrusion response systems for the emerging software-defined network and mobile ad-hoc network; **cybercrime and threat intelligence analysis**, e.g., understanding the structure of underground communities and the economy and ecosystem of cybercrime; **usable and user-centric security**, e.g., finding vulnerabilities in authentication and payment systems; designing novel access control models and techniques.

- System and Software Security: Hardware-based Security (ARM TrustZone, etc.), Operating System Security (Linux, Android, etc.), Program Analysis and Software Engineering for Security (Vulnerability Discovery and Analysis, Risk Analysis and Mitigation, etc.)

- Network and Web Security: Software-defined Networking (Statefull and Stateless Firewall, etc.), Mobile Ad-hoc Networks (Intrusion Detection and Prevention Systems, etc.), Web Security (Moving Target Defense for Web Applications, etc.)
- Analysis of Cybercrime, Economy and Ecosystem: Underground Social Dynamics (Hacker Community, etc.), Underground Economy (Underground Marketplaces, Ransomware Money Flow, etc.), Spam and Scam (Telephone Spam, etc.)
- Usable and User-centric Security: Authentication (Text, Graphical, and Picture Password Systems, Caller ID Authentication, etc.), Access Control (Models and Techniques in Online Social Networks, Attribute-based Access Control, etc.), Payment (Mobile Payment, etc.)

### FUNDED PROJECTS

- NSF-SFS: Arizona Cyber Defense Scholarship. Award Number: 1663651. \$3,997,784. NSF, 2017 - 2022. PI: Gail-Joon Ahn, Co-PI: Stephen Yau, Dijiang Huang, Adam Doupé, and Ziming Zhao. Share \$399,778.

### PUBLICATIONS

My research has led to 40+ publications in the most prestigious computer and communication security conferences and journals, including IEEE Symposium on Security and Privacy (**Oakland**), USENIX Security Symposium (**SECURITY**), Network and Distributed System Security Symposium (**NDSS**), European Symposium on Research in Computer Security (**ESORICS**), Annual Computer Security Applications Conference (**ACSAC**), ACM Symposium on Access Control Models and Technologies (**SACMAT**), ACM Conference on Data and Applications Security and Privacy (**CODASPY**), IEEE Conference on Communications and Network Security (**CNS**), ACM Transactions on Information and System Security (**TISSEC**), IEEE Transactions on Dependable and Secure Computing (**TDSC**), etc.

In addition, my research has received 30+ media coverage and have been used in graduate courses and reading groups at Princeton University, Naval Postgraduate School, Arizona State University, University of Ontario Institute of Technology, Delaware State University, Clemson University, University of San Francisco, University of Toronto, National Chengchi University, Hanyang University, etc.

### Conference Papers

- SAC18 Sai Prashanth Chandramouli, Pierre-Marie Bajan, Christopher Kruegel, Giovanni Vigna, Ziming Zhao, Adam Doupé and Gail-Joon Ahn. Measuring E-Mail Header Injections on the World Wide Web. In *Proceedings of the ACM/SIGAPP Symposium On Applied Computing (SAC)*, Pau, France, April, 2018
- DF18 Mike Mabey, Adam Doupé, Ziming Zhao and Gail-Joon Ahn. Challenges, Opportunities, and a Framework for Web Environment Forensics. In *Proceedings of the IFIP Working Group 11.9 Digital Forensics (DF)*, New Delhi, India, January, 2018
- CIC17 Josephine Lamp, Carlos E. Rubio-Medrano, Ziming Zhao and Gail-Joon Ahn. OntoEDS: Protecting Energy Delivery Systems by Collaboratively Analyzing Security Requirements. In *Proceedings of the IEEE International Conference on Collaboration and Internet Computing (CIC)*, San Jose, CA, USA, October, 2017
- CNS17 Sukwha Kyung, Wonkyu Han, Naveen Tiwari, Vaibhav Dixit, Lakshmi Srinivas, Ziming Zhao, Adam Doupé, and Gail-Joon Ahn. HoneyProxy: Design and Implementation of Next-Generation Honeynet via SDN. In *Proceedings of the IEEE Conference on Communications and Network Security (CNS)*, Las Vegas, October, 2017. (29.9% acceptance rate)
- AAMAS17 Sailik Sengupta, Satya Gautam Vadlamudi, Subbarao Kambhampati, Adam Doupé, Marthony Taguinod, Ziming Zhao and Gail-Joon Ahn. A Game Theoretic Approach in Strategy Generation for Moving Target Defense in Web Applications. In *Proceedings of the International Conference on Autonomous Agents and Multiagent Systems (AAMAS)*, So Paulo, Brazil, May, 2017. (26.0% acceptance rate)
- CODASPY17 Niall McLaughlin, Jesus Martinez del Rincon, BooJoong Kang, Suleiman Yerima, Paul Miller, Sakir Sezer, Yeganeh Safaei, Erik Trickel, Ziming Zhao, Adam Doupé and Gail-Joon Ahn. Deep Android

- Malware Detection. In *Proceedings of the ACM Conference on Data and Applications Security and Privacy (CODASPY)*, Scottsdale, Arizona, March, 2017. (short paper)
- ICST17 Junjie Tang, Xingmin Cui, Ziming Zhao, Shanqing Guo, Xinshun Xu, Chengyu Hu, Tao Ban and Bing Mao. NIVAnalyzer: a Tool for Automatically Detecting and Verifying Next-Intent Vulnerabilities in Android Apps. In *Proceedings of IEEE International Conference on Software Testing, Verification and Validation (ICST)*, Tokyo, Japan, March, 2017.
- NDSS17 Juan Deng, Hongda Li, Hongxin Hu, Kuang-Ching Wang, Gail-Joon Ahn, Ziming Zhao and Wonkyu Han. On the Safety and Efficiency of Virtual Firewall Elasticity Control. In *Proceedings of the Network and Distributed System Security Symposium (NDSS)*, San Diego, California, February, 2017. (16.1% acceptance rate)
- CIC16 Ajay Modi, Zhibo Sun, Anupam Panwar, Tejas Khairnar, Ziming Zhao, Adam Doupé, Gail-Joon Ahn and Paul Black. Towards Automated Threat Intelligence Fusion. In *Proceedings of IEEE International Conference on Collaboration and Internet Computing, (CIC)*, 2016.
- ITU16 Huahong Tu, Adam Doupé, Ziming Zhao and Gail-Joon Ahn. Toward Authenticated Caller ID Transmission: The Need for a Standardized Authentication Scheme in Q.731.3 Calling Line Identification Presentation. In *Proceedings of ITU Kaleidoscope 2016: ICTs for a Sustainable World*, November 2016, Bangkok, Thailand. (**Best paper award**)
- ICWS16 Jia Chen, Xingmin Cui, Ziming Zhao, Jie Liang and Shanqing Guo. Toward Discovering and Exploiting Private Server-side Web APIs. In *Proceedings of IEEE International Conference on Web Services (ICWS)*, June 2016, San Francisco. (26% acceptance rate)
- DFRWS16 Mike Mabey, Adam Doupé, Ziming Zhao and Gail-Joon Ahn. dbling: Identifying Extensions Installed on Encrypted Web Thin Clients. In *Proceedings of Digital Forensics Research Conference (DFRWS)*, August 2016, Seattle, Washington.
- SACMAT16 Wonkyu Han, Hongxin Hu, Ziming Zhao, Adam Doupé and Gail-Joon Ahn. State-aware Network Access Management for Software-Defined Networks. In *Proceedings of 21st ACM Symposium on Access Control Models And Technologies (SACMAT)*, June 2016, Shanghai, China. (33% acceptance rate)
- eCrime16 Kevin Liao, Ziming Zhao, Adam Doupé and Gail-Joon Ahn. Behind Closed Doors: Measurement and Analysis of CryptoLocker Ransoms in Bitcoin. In *Proceedings of APWG Symposium on Electronic Crime Research (eCrime)*, June 2016, Toronto, Canada.
- Oakland16 Huahong (Raymond) Tu, Adam Doupé, Ziming Zhao and Gail-Joon Ahn. SoK: Everyone Hates Robocalls: A Survey of Techniques against Telephone Spam. In *Proceedings of 37th IEEE Symposium on Security and Privacy (Oakland)*, May 2016, San Jose. (13.3% acceptance rate)
- IRI15 Marthony Taguinod, Adam Doupé, Ziming Zhao and Gail-Joon Ahn. Toward a Moving Target Defense for Web Applications. In *Proceedings of 16th IEEE International Conference on Information Reuse and Integration (IRI)*, August 2015, San Francisco, California, USA. (invited paper)
- SACMAT15 Carlos E. Rubio-Medrano, Ziming Zhao, Adam Doupé and Gail-Joon Ahn. Federated Access Management for Collaborative Network Environments: Framework and Case Study. In *Proceedings of 20th ACM Symposium on Access Control Models and Technologies (SACMAT)*, June 2015, Vienna, Austria. (28.8% acceptance rate, full paper)
- ACSAC14 Yiming Jing, Ziming Zhao, Gail-Joon Ahn and Hongxin Hu. Morpheus: Automatically Generating Heuristics to Detect Android Emulators. In *Proceedings of 30th Annual Computer Security Applications Conference (ACSAC)*, 2014, New Orleans, USA. (19.9% acceptance rate, finalist for CSAW Best Applied Security Paper Award 2015)
- SACMAT14 Hongxin Hu, Gail-Joon Ahn, Ziming Zhao and Dejun Yang. Game Theoretic Analysis of Multiparty Access Control in Online Social Networks. In *Proceedings of 19th ACM Symposium on Access Control Models And Technologies (SACMAT)*, June 2014, London, Ontario, Canada. (29.8% acceptance rate)

- ONS14 Hongxin Hu, Gail-Joon Ahn, Wonkyu Han and Ziming Zhao. Towards a Reliable SDN Firewall. In *Proceedings of the Open Networking Summit (ONS) Research Track*, March 2014, Santa Clara, California, USA. (28.2% acceptance rate, oral presentation)
- CODASPY14 Yiming Jing, Gail-Joon Ahn, Ziming Zhao and Hongxin Hu. RiskMon: Continuous and Automated Risk Assessment of Mobile Applications. In *Proceedings of the 4th ACM Conference on Data and Application Security and Privacy (CODASPY)*, March 2014, San Antonio, Texas, USA. (16.0% acceptance rate, **best paper award**)
- CNS13 Ziming Zhao and Gail-Joon Ahn. Using Instruction Sequence Abstraction for Shellcode Detection and Attribution. In *Proceedings of the 1st IEEE Conference on Communications and Network Security (CNS)*, Oct 2013, Washington DC, USA. (28.3% acceptance rate)
- SECURITY13 Ziming Zhao, Gail-Joon Ahn, Jeong-Jin Seo and Hongxin Hu. On the Security of Picture Gesture Authentication. In *Proceedings of the 22nd USENIX Security Symposium (SECURITY)*, Aug 2013, Washington DC, USA. (15.9% acceptance rate)
- ESORICS12 Ziming Zhao, Gail-Joon Ahn, Hongxin Hu and Deepinder Mahi. SocialImpact: Systematic Analysis of Underground Social Dynamics. In *Proceedings of the 17th European Symposium on Research in Computer Security (ESORICS)*, Sep 2012, Pisa, Italy. (20.1% acceptance rate)
- GLOBECOM11 Ziming Zhao, Gail-Joon Ahn and Hongxin Hu. Examining Social Dynamics for Countering Botnet Attacks. In *Proceedings of the 54th IEEE Global Communications Conference (GLOBECOM)*, Dec 2011, Houston, USA.
- WCRE11 Ziming Zhao, Gail-Joon Ahn and Hongxin Hu. Automatic Extraction of Secrets from Malware. In *Proceedings of the 18th Working Conference on Reverse Engineering (WCRE)*, Oct 2011, Limerick, Ireland. (25.9% acceptance rate, full paper)
- GLOBECOM10 Ziming Zhao, Hongxin Hu, Gail-Joon Ahn and Ruoyu Wu. Risk-Aware Response for Mitigating MANET Routing Attacks. In *Proceedings of the 53th IEEE Global Communications Conference (GLOBECOM)*, Dec 2010, Miami, USA.
- ICINIS08 Ziming Zhao, Yanfei Liu, Hui Li and Yixian Yang. An Efficient User-to-User Authentication Scheme in Peer-to-Peer System. In *Proceedings of the International Conference on Intelligent Networks and Intelligent Systems (ICINIS)*, Nov 2008, Wuhan, China.
- CW08 Yanfei Liu, Ziming Zhao, Hui Li, Qun Luo and Yixian Yang. An Efficient Remote User Authentication Scheme with Strong Anonymity. In *Proceedings of International Conference on Cyberworlds (CW)*, Sep 2008, Hangzhou, China.

### Journal Papers

- TIFS18 Jing Chen, Chiheng Wang, Ziming Zhao, Kai Chen, Ruiying Du, and Gail-Joon Ahn. Uncovering the Face of Android Ransomware: Characterization and Real-time Detection. *IEEE Transactions on Information Forensics & Security (TIFS)*, 2018.
- CSM17 Huahong Tu, Adam Doupé, Ziming Zhao, and Gail-Joon Ahn. Toward Standardization of Authenticated Caller ID Transmission. *IEEE Communications Standards Magazine (CSM)*, 2017.
- ITIT17 Sai Prashanth Chandramouli, Ziming Zhao, Adam Doupé and Gail-Joon Ahn. E-mail Header Injection Vulnerabilities. *it - Information Technology (ITIT)*, 2017.
- JCS16 Yiming Jing, Gail-Joon Ahn, Hongxin Hu, Haehyun Cho and Ziming Zhao. TRIPLEMON: A Multi-layer Security Framework for Mediating Inter-Process Communication on Android. *Journal of Computer Security (JCS)*, Vol. 24, no. 4, pp. 405-426, 2016.
- S&PM16 Ziming Zhao, Mukund Sankaran, Gail-Joon Ahn, Thomas J. Holt, Yiming Jing and Hongxin Hu. Mules, Seals, and Attacking Tools: Analyzing Twelve Online Marketplaces. *IEEE Security & Privacy Magazine. Special Issue: What's New in the Economics of Cybersecurity? (S&PM)*, Vol. 14, Issue 1, 2016.
- TISSEC15 Ziming Zhao, Gail-Joon Ahn and Hongxin Hu. Picture Gesture Authentication: Empirical Analysis, Automated Attacks, and Scheme Evaluation. *ACM Transactions on Information and System Security (TISSEC)*, Vol. 17, Issue 4, 2015.

- TDSC15 Yiming Jing, Gail-Joon Ahn, Ziming Zhao and Hongxin Hu. Towards Automated Risk Assessment and Mitigation of Mobile Application. *IEEE Transactions on Dependable and Secure Computing (TDSC)*, Vol. 12, Issue 5, 2015.
- TDSC13 Ziming Zhao, Hongxin Hu, Gail-Joon Ahn and Ruoyu Wu. Risk-Aware Mitigation for MANET Routing Attacks. *IEEE Transactions on Dependable and Secure Computing (TDSC)*, Vol. 9, Issue. 2, 2012.

### Workshop Papers

- ABAC18 Carlos Rubio Medrano, Ziming Zhao and Gail-Joon Ahn. RiskPol: A Risk Assessment Framework for Preventing Attribute-Forgery Attacks to ABAC Policies. In *Proceedings of ACM Workshop on Attribute Based Access Control (ABAC)*, March 2018, Tempe, Arizona, USA.
- SDNNFV18 Vaibhav Hemant Dixit, Sukwha Kyung, Ziming Zhao, Adam Doupé, Yan Shoshitaishvili and Gail-Joon Ahn. Challenges and Preparedness of SDN-based Firewalls. In *Proceedings of ACM International Workshop on Security in Software Defined Networks & Network Function Virtualization (SDNNFVSec)*, March 2018, Tempe, Arizona, USA.
- MTD17 Josephine Lamp, Carlos E. Rubio-Medrano, Adam Doupé, Ziming Zhao, and Gail-Joon Ahn. Mutated Policies: Towards Proactive Attribute-based Defenses for Access Control. In *Proceedings of ACM Workshop on Moving Target Defense (MTD)*, Nov 2017, Dallas, Texas, USA.
- MSCPES17 Josephine Lamp, Carlos E. Rubio-Medrano, Ziming Zhao, and Gail-Joon Ahn. Towards Adaptive and Proactive Security Assessment for Energy Delivery Systems. In *Proceedings of Workshop on Modeling and Simulation of Cyber-Physical Energy Systems (MSCPES)*, April 2017, Pittsburgh, PA, USA.
- SDNNFV16 Wonkyu Han, Ziming Zhao, Adam Doupé and Gail-Joon Ahn. HoneyMix: Toward SDN-based Intelligent Honeynet. In *Proceedings of ACM International Workshop on Security in Software Defined Networks & Network Function Virtualization (SDNNFVSec)*, March 2016, New Orleans, LA, USA.
- ABAC16 Carlos M. Rubio, Josephine Lamp, Marthony Taguinod, Adam Doupé, Ziming Zhao and Gail-Joon Ahn. Position Paper: Towards a Moving Target Defense Approach for Attribute-based Access Control. In *Proceedings of ACM Workshop on Attribute Based Access Control (ABAC)*, March 2016, New Orleans, LA, USA.
- HotSDN14 Hongxin Hu, Wonkyu Han, Gail-Joon Ahn and Ziming Zhao. FlowGuard: Building Robust Firewalls for Software-Defined Networks. In *Proceedings of ACM SIGCOMM Workshop on Hot Topics in Software Defined Networking (HotSDN)*, August 2014, Chicago, Illinois, USA. (14.0% acceptance rate, full paper with long presentation)

### Extended Abstracts/Posters

- CODASPY18a Penghui Zhang, Bernard Ngabonziza, Haehyun Cho, Ziming Zhao, Adam Doupé and Gail-Joon Ahn. SeCore: Continuous Extrospection with High Visibility on Multi-core ARM Platforms. In *Proceedings of the 8th ACM Conference on Data and Application Security and Privacy (CODASPY)*, March 2018. (**Outstanding poster award**)
- CODASPY18b Yongxian Zhang, Xinluo Wang, Ziming Zhao and Hui Li. Secure Display for FIDO Transaction Confirmation. In *Proceedings of the 8th ACM Conference on Data and Application Security and Privacy (CODASPY)*, March 2018.
- SACMAT17 Hongda Li, Juan Deng, Hongxin Hu, Kuang-Ching Wang, Gail-Joon Ahn, Ziming Zhao and Wonkyu Han. Poster: On the Safety and Efficiency of Virtual Firewall Elasticity Control. In *Proceedings of 22st ACM Symposium on Access Control Models And Technologies (SACMAT)*, June 2017.
- AAMAS16 Satya Gautam Vadlamudi, Sailik Sengupta, Subbarao Kambhampati, Marthony Taguinod, Ziming Zhao, Adam Doupé and Gail-Joon Ahn. Moving Target Defense For Web Applications Using Bayesian Stackelberg Games. In *Proceedings of International Conference on Autonomous Agents and Multiagent Systems (AAMAS)*, May 2016, Singapore.

### Books

- B1 *P2P Technology Principle and C++ Development*. Editors: Wen Zhang and Ziming Zhao. Posts and Telecom Press, China, 2008. ISBN: 978-7-115-18105-3/TP.

### Book Chapters

- BC1 Kevin Liao, Ziming Zhao, Adam Doupé and Gail-Joon Ahn. Ransomware and Cryptocurrency: Partners in Crime in *Cybercrime Through an Interdisciplinary Lens*. Editors: Thomas J. Holt. Routledge.
- BC2 Ziming Zhao and Gail-Joon Ahn. Examining Social Dynamics and Malware Secrets to Mitigate Net-centric Attacks in *Hackers and Hacking: A Reference Handbook*. Editors: Thomas J. Holt and Bernadette H. Schell. ABC-CLIO, LLC. ISBN: 978-1-61069-276-2.
- BC3 Ziming Zhao. Key Management in *Symmetric Cryptography and Its Applications*. Editors: Hui Li, Lixiang Li and Shuai Shao. Beijing University of Posts and Telecommunications Press, China, 2009. ISBN: 978-7-56351-717-6.

### Dissertation

- D1 Ziming Zhao. Discovering and Using Patterns for Countering Security Challenges. Doctoral Dissertation, Computer Sciences, Arizona State University, 2014.

### TEACHING EXPERIENCES

Classes at Rochester Institute of Technology:

- CSEC 750 Covert Communications, Rochester Institute of Technology. Fall 2018

Classes at Arizona State University:

- CSE 469 Computer and Network Forensics, Arizona State University. Spring 2017 and Spring 2018  
Part 1: Student Evaluation of the Course **4.42/5**  
Part 2: Student Evaluation of Instructor **4.49/5**  
Overall: **4.33/5**
- CSE 468 Computer Network Security, Arizona State University. Fall 2016  
Part 1: Student Evaluation of the Course **4.47/5**  
Part 2: Student Evaluation of Instructor **4.49/5**  
Overall: **4.24/5**

Guest lectures at Arizona State University:

- CSE 465 Information Assurance (Instructor: Gail-Joon Ahn). Trust in Mobile Computing, 2015
- CSE 494/598 Forensic Computing: Computer and Network Forensics (Instructor: Gail-Joon Ahn). Malware Forensics, 2013 - 2016
- CSE 465 Introduction to Information Assurance (Instructor: Gail-Joon Ahn). Cracking Picture Password for Fun and Profit, 2013
- CSE 430 Operating Systems (Instructor: Violet Syrotiuk). Automatic Extraction of Secrets from Malware, 2011

Teaching assistant at Arizona State University:

- CSE 494/598 Computer and Network Forensics (Instructor: Gail-Joon Ahn), Arizona State University, Spring 2010
- CSE 340 Principles of Programming Languages (Instructor: Rida Bazzi), Arizona State University, Fall 2009

### STUDENT ADVISING and MENTORING

- Ph.D. Advisee Completed:
  - Wonkyu Han. Policy-driven Network Defense for Software-defined Networks. Co-chaired with Gail-Joon Ahn. Dissertation Committee: Adam Doupé, Dijiang Huang, Yanchao Zhang. Arizona State University, November 2016
- Ph.D. Supervisory Committee Completed:

- Carlos E. Rubio Medrano. Federated Access Management For Collaborative Environments. Dissertation Committee: Gail-Joon Ahn (Chair), Adam Doupé, Raghu T. Santanam, Dijiang Huang. Arizona State University, November 2016
- Mike Kent Mabey. Forensic Methods and Tools for Web Environments. Dissertation Committee: Gail-Joon Ahn, Adam Doupé, Joohyung Lee. Arizona State University, November 2017
- Huahong Tu. From Understanding Telephone Scams to Implementing Authenticated Caller ID Transmission. Dissertation Committee: Adam Doupé (Co-Chair), Gail-Joon Ahn (Co-Chair), Yan-chao Zhang, Dijiang Huang. Arizona State University, November 2017
- o Ph.D. Advisee (Co-chairing):
  - Haehyun Cho. Securing Commodity Operating System Kernel Modules using Hardware Security Primitives. Arizona State University. Started from Fall 2016
  - Zhibo Sun. Analysis of the Underground Society and Economy. Arizona State University. Started from Spring 2016
  - Penghui Zhang. Continuous Extrospection on Multi-core Mobile and IoT Platforms. Arizona State University. Started from Spring 2017
  - Mehrnoosh Zaeifi. Started from Fall 2017
  - Tariq Nasim. Started from Fall 2017
- o M.S Thesis Advisor Completed:
  - Mauricio Gutierrez Barnett. CacheLight: A Lightweight Approach for Preventing Malicious Use of Cache Locking Mechanisms. Thesis Committee: Adam Doupé, Yan Shoshitaishvili. Arizona State University, May 2018
- o M.S Thesis Committee Completed:
  - Abhijeet Srivastava. Data Protection over Cloud. Thesis Committee: Gail-Joon Ahn, Adam Doupé. Arizona State University, April 2016
  - Sai Prashanth Chandramouli. E-mail Header Injections. Thesis Committee: Adam Doupé, Gail-Joon Ahn. Arizona State University, April 2016
  - Bhakti Bohara. Moving Target Defense Using Live Migration of Docker Containers. Thesis Committee: Dijiang Huang, Adam Doupé. Arizona State University, June 2017
  - Tejas Khairnar. Next Generation Black-Box Web Application Vulnerability Analysis Framework. Thesis Committee: Adam Doupé, Gail-Joon Ahn. Arizona State University, April 2017
  - Gerard Lawrence Pinto. Shadow Phone and Ghost SIM: A Step toward Geo-Location Anonymous Calling in GSM. Thesis Committee: Adam Doupé, Gail-Joon Ahn. Arizona State University, April 2017
  - Anupam Panwar. iGen: Toward Automatic Generation and Analysis of Indicators of Compromise (IOCs) using Convolutional Neural Network. Thesis Committee: Gail-Joon Ahn, Adam Doupé. Arizona State University, April 2017
  - Ajay Modi. CSM: Automated Confidence Score Measurement of Threat Indicators. Thesis Committee: Gail-Joon Ahn, Adam Doupé. Arizona State University, April 2017
  - Sukwha Kyung. Framework for Evaluating Hardware-assisted Security Function and Its Performance. Thesis Committee: Gail-Joon Ahn, Adam Doupé. Arizona State University, May 2017
  - Bhuvana Namasivayam. On Categorization of Phishing Detection Website Features And Using the Feature Vectors to Classify Phishing Websites. Thesis Committee: Rida Bazzi, Huan Liu. Arizona State University, May 2017
  - James Keith Hutchins. FrozenNode: Static Linking of Node.js Applications. Thesis Committee: Adam Doupé, Yan Shoshitaishvili. Arizona State University, April 2018
- o Honors Thesis Advisor Completed:

- Paulina Davison. The Security of Smart Cars. Thesis Committee: Gail-Joon Ahn, Adam Doupé, Yan Shoshitaishvili. Arizona State University, April 2018
- Kaiyi Huang. Security Analysis of IoT Media Broadcast Devices. Thesis Committee: Gail-Joon Ahn. Arizona State University, April 2017
- Mauricio Gutierrez Barnett. Memory Inspection Resistant Rootkit: An Implementation and Analysis. Thesis Committee: Adam Doupé. Arizona State University, April 2017
- o Honors Thesis Committee Completed:
  - James Hutchins. FrozenNode: Static Linking of Node.js Applications. Thesis Committee: Adam Doupé, Yan Shoshitaishvili. Arizona State University, April 2018
  - Jonathan Wasserman. TSCAN: Toward Static and Customizable Analysis for Node.js. Thesis Committee: Adam Doupé, Gail-Joon Ahn. Arizona State University, May 2017
  - Joshua Smith. On the Application of Malware Clustering for Threat Intelligence Synthesis. Thesis Committee: Gail-Joon Ahn. Arizona State University, April 2017
  - Omri Mor. Filesystem I/O Tracing and Replaying. Thesis Committee: Ming Zhao. Arizona State University, April 2017
  - Kevin Liao. Toward Inductive Reverse Engineering of Web Applications. Thesis Committee: Adam Doupé, Gail-Joon Ahn. Arizona State University, November 2016
  - Tsz Chan. Malware Analysis Framework. Thesis Committee: Gail-Joon Ahn. Arizona State University, April 2016
  - Sajid Anwar. Malware Analysis Framework. Thesis Committee: Gail-Joon Ahn. Arizona State University, April 2016

### **PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES**

- o Technical Program Committee:
  - ACM International Workshop on Security in Software Defined Networks & Network Function Virtualization (SDN-NFV Security), 2018
  - ACM Symposium on Applied Computing, Special Track on Internet of Things (SAC IoT), 2018
  - ACM Symposium on Access Control Models and Technologies (SACMAT), 2018
  - The Secure Knowledge Management Workshop (SKM), 2017
  - Guide to Security in SDN and NFV - Challenges, Opportunities, and Applications (GSSNOA), 2016
  - Annual International Conference on Information Security Conference (ISC), 2016
  - IEEE International Workshop on Trusted Collaboration (TrustCol), 2014 - 2016
  - International Symposium on Mobile Security (MSEC), 2015
- o Organizing Committee:
  - General Co-Chair, ACM Conference on Data and Applications Security and Privacy (CODASPY), 2018
  - Local Chair, ACM Conference on Data and Applications Security and Privacy (CODASPY), 2017
- o Session Chair:
  - Keynote II: Code Obfuscation - Why is this Still a Thing? ACM Conference on Data and Applications Security and Privacy (CODASPY), 2018
  - Systems: Attacks and Security, ACM Conference on Computer and Communications Security (CCS), 2014
- o Conference Reviewer:



- ACM Conference on Computer and Communications Security (CCS), 2013, 2017, 2018
- ACM Symposium on Access Control Models and Technologies (SACMAT), 2014 - 2015
- ACM Conference on Data and Application Security and Privacy (CODASPY), 2012 - 2015
- ACM Symposium on Information, Computer and Communications Security (ASIACCS), 2014
- European Symposium on Research in Computer Security (ESORICS), 2018
- IEEE Global Communications Conference (GLOBECOM), 2014
- International Conference on Computing, Networking and Communications (ICNC), 2014
- International Conference on Computer Communications and Networks (ICCCN), 2014
- International Conference on Information Security Practice and Experience (ISPEC), 2014
- Asia-Pacific Conference on Communications (APCC), 2013
- o Journal Reviewer:
  - IEEE/ACM Transactions on Networking (TON)
  - ACM Transactions on Information and System Security (TISSEC)
  - IEEE Transactions on Dependable and Secure Computing (TDSC)
  - Transactions on Information Forensics and Security (TIFS)
  - IEEE Transactions on Cloud Computing (TCC)
  - IEEE Transactions on Network and Service Management (TNSM)
  - IEEE Access Journal
  - IEEE Internet Computing (IC)
  - Computers & Security - Elsevier (COSE)
  - Security and Communication Networks - John Wiley & Sons (SCN)
  - Journal of Network and Systems Management - Springer (JNSM)
  - Computer Communications - Elsevier (COMCOM)
  - Journal of Computer and System Sciences - Elsevier (JCSS)
  - International Journal of Security and Networks - Inderscience (IJSN)
  - Journal of Network and Systems Management - Springer (JONS)
  - Journal of Computer Science and Technology - Springer (JCST)
  - World Wide Web Journal - Springer (WWW)
  - SCIENCE CHINA Information Sciences - Springer
  - Mathematical Problems in Engineering - Hindawi Publishing Corporation
  - International Journal of Distributed Sensor Networks - Hindawi Publishing Corporation
  - PLOS ONE - Public Library of Science

### **TALKS and PRESENTATIONS**

I have presented my research outcomes and been invited to give talks.

- o Holistic Cybersecurity from System, Human, and Social Perspectives. Faculty candidate talk at *Iowa State University, Arizona State University, University of Notre Dame, University of Arizona, Purdue University, Rochester Institute of Technology, University of Iowa, University of Delaware, Auburn University, University of Oklahoma, University of Michigan Dearborn, University of Louisiana at Lafayette, University of Arkansas at Little Rock, 2017-2018.*
- o Toward Building Trusted Execution Environment on Commodity Smartphones, invited talk at *International Symposium on Mobile Security, December 2015, Seoul, South Korea.*

- Using Instruction Sequence Abstraction for Shellcode Detection and Attribution, presented at *IEEE Conference on Communications and Network Security*, Oct 2013, Washington DC, USA.
- On the Security of Picture Gesture Authentication, presented at *USENIX Security Symposium*, Aug 2013, Washington DC, USA.
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- iSign International, Inc., 2017 - , member of Advisory Committee
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