

# DANFENG (DAPHNE) YAO

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

Software and system security and assurance, including anomaly detection in networked systems and programs, system integrity, malware program analysis, security of mobile systems, cyberphysical system security, usable Internet of Things security and privacy, botnet detection, data exfiltration prevention; Human behaviors in cybersecurity and cybersecurity education.

## EDUCATION

Ph.D., Computer Science, **Brown University**, Providence, RI 2007  
Thesis: *Privacy-aware Authentication and Authorization in Trust Management*  
Advisor: *Roberto Tamassia*, Plastech Professor of Computer Science.  
M.S., Computer Science, **Indiana University**, Bloomington, IN 2002  
M.A., Chemistry, **Princeton University**, Princeton, NJ 2000  
B.S., Chemistry, **Peking University**, Beijing, China 1998

## EMPLOYMENT

Department of Computer Science, Virginia Tech, Blacksburg VA Jun. 2014 – Present  
Associate Professor  
Elizabeth and James E. Turner Jr. '56 Faculty Fellow and L-3 Faculty Fellow  
Department of Computer Science and Engineering, Jan. 2016 – Jul. 2016  
University of California, San Diego  
*Visiting Scholar*  
Department of Computer Science, Virginia Tech, Blacksburg VA Jan. 2010 – May 2014  
Assistant Professor  
Department of Computer Science, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ Jan. 2008 – Dec. 2009  
Assistant Professor  
Department of Computer Science, Brown University Aug. 2002 – Dec. 2007  
Research assistant (With Roberto Tamassia, Plastech Professor)  
CERIAS, Purdue University, West Lafayette IN Sep. 2006 – Dec. 2007  
Visiting scholar (With Professor Elisa Bertino and Mikhail J. Atallah)  
HP Systems Security Lab, Princeton, NJ May 2006 – Aug. 2006  
Research intern (With Dr. Stuart Haber)  
IAM Technology Inc., Providence, RI Apr. 2005 – May. 2007  
Consultant (With David Croston, CEO)  
Center of Genomics and Bioinformatics, Indiana University, Bloomington May 2001 - Aug. 2002  
Research assistant (With Dr. Donald Gilbert)  
Department of Chemistry, Princeton University Aug. 1998 - Dec. 2000  
Research assistant (With Professor Daniel Kahne)

## HONORS AND AWARDS

Dean's Faculty Fellow, Virginia Tech CoE Dec. 2017  
Elizabeth and James E. Turner Jr. '56 Faculty Fellowship, Virginia Tech CoE Apr. 2016  
L-3 Communications Cyber Faculty Fellow Oct. 2014  
Young Investigator Award, Army Research Office Aug. 2014  
Outstanding New Assistant Professor Award, Virginia Tech College of Engineering Feb. 2012  
CAREER Award, National Science Foundation Jan. 2010  
Best Paper Awards *ICNP '12, CollaborateCom '10, ICICS '06*  
Best Poster Awards *ACM CODASPY '15, WOCC '09*

Award for Technological Innovation, Brown University	Apr. 2006
University Fellowship, Brown University	Sep. 2002
Graduate with the Highest Honors, Peking University	Jul. 1998
SONY, IEC and Outstanding Student Fellowships, Peking University	1996-1995

## PATENTS

1. Stuart Haber, William Horne, Tomas Sander, and Danfeng Yao. Integrity Verification of Pseudonymized Documents. Sep. 2012. U.S. Patent No. 8,266,439. (Filed by HP Labs.)
2. Danfeng Yao, Deian Stefan, and Chehai Wu. Systems and Methods for Malware Detection. U.S. Patent No. 8,763,127. Jun. 2014. (Filed by Rutgers University.)
3. Danfeng Yao and Hao Zhang. Detection of Stealthy Malware Activities with Traffic Causality and Scalable Triggering Relation Discovery. Continuation-in-Part (CIP) Patent. U.S. Patent No. 9,888,030. Feb. 2018. (Filed by Virginia Tech.)

## INVITED TALKS/TUTORIALS/PANELS

1. Super-size Data Breaches and Lessons Learned. ACM Symposium on Access Control Models and Technologies (SACMAT). Indianapolis, IN. **Invited Keynote**. Jun. 2018.
2. Human Element in Security. ISDA/Hume colloquium. **Panelist**. Apr., 2018.
3. Small Mistakes in Code, Giant Vulnerabilities in Society: Gaps and Some Solutions for Secure Software Development. City University of Hong Kong. Tsinghua University, Shenzhen. **Invited Seminars**. Dec. 2017.
4. Democratize Anomaly Detection Technologies: Challenges, Advances, and Opportunities. Cyber Security & Information Systems Information Analysis Center (CSIAC). **Invited Webinar**. May 2017.
5. Democratize Anomaly Detection Technologies: Challenges, Advances, and Opportunities. INRIA Rennes, France. Apr., 2017. **Invited Talk**.
6. Democratize Anomaly Detection Technologies: Challenges, Advances, and Opportunities. **Departmental Seminar**. University of Virginia, Department of Computer Science. Apr., 2017.
7. Cloud Data Analytics for Security: Applications, Challenges, and Opportunities. **Keynote Speech** at ASIACCS Security in Cloud Computing (SCC) Workshop. Abu Dhabi, UAE. Apr. 2017.
8. Program Anomaly Detection: Methodology and Practices. Xiaokui Shu and Danfeng Yao. Vienna, Austria. Oct. 2016. **ACM CCS Tutorials**.
9. Program Anomaly Detection With Near-zero False Alarms. Penn State University Computer Science and Engineering. State College, PA. **Departmental Seminar**. Sept. 2016.
10. Precise Modeling of Benign Program Behaviors for Proactive System Defense. Apr. 2014. Texas A&M University. College Station, TX. **Departmental Seminar**.
11. User-Intention Based Anomaly Detection. Department of Computer Science. Kansas State University. Apr. 2013. **Departmental Seminar**.
12. User-Intention Based Anomaly Detection. Department of Computer Science. University of California, Irvine. Feb. 2013. **Departmental Seminar**.
13. User-Intention Based Anomaly Detection. Tianjin University, Tianjin China. College of Computing. Jun. 2012. **Invited Talk**.

14. User-Intention Based Anomaly Detection and Malware Analysis. Verisign Labs. Reston, VA. Jul. 2012.
15. Fuzzy Fingerprinting For Privacy-Aware Data-Loss Prevention. Huawei America Research Center. Santa Clara, CA. Jul. 2011.
16. Scalable Data-Loss Prevention Techniques. RackSpace Hosting Inc. Blacksburg VA. Mar. 2011.
17. Host-Based Anomaly Detection Based on User Activities. Georgia Tech Information Security Center (GTISC), UNC Chapel-Hill Department of Computer Science. Apr. 2010.
18. Keystroke Dynamic Authentication With Trusted User Inputs For Human-Behavior Driven Bot Detection. Purdue University Computer Science, West Lafayette, IN. Mar. 2009. **Departmental Seminar.**

## TEACHING

Virginia Tech Computer Science Department

CS/PSCI/BIT 2984 The Nature of Today's Security: Foundations of Complex Security Systems. (IS DA gateway course, co-teach)	Spring 2018
CS/ECE 5590 System and Application Security.	Spring 2017
CS 6204 Program Anomaly Detection with Learning.	Fall 2016
CS/ECE 5984 System and Application Security.	Spring 2015

*I created CS/ECE 5984 (permanent course number CS/ECE 5590), which is the first graduate-level system and application security course at VT.*

CS6204 Recent Advances in System and Application Security.	Spring 2014
CS/ECE 4264 Principles of Computer Security.	Fall 2015, 2014, 2013

*I created CS/ECE 4264, which is the first undergraduate-level course on foundations of computer security at VT.*

CS4984 Introduction to Computer Security.	Fall 2012, 2011, 2010
CS3114 Data Structures and Algorithms.	Spring 2012
CS6204 Recent Advances in Cyber Security.	Spring 2012
CS5984 Theory and Practice of Web Security and Privacy.	Spring 2011
CS6204 Advanced Computer Security and Privacy	Spring 2010

Rutgers University Computer Science Department

CS673 Recent Advances in Computer Security	Fall 2009
CS672 Information Security	Fall 2008
CS352 Internet Technology	Spring 2008, Spring 2009
CS500:04 Light Seminar: Secure Information Sharing	Spring 2008

**Total funding amount: \$8.06 million. Total personal share: \$3.78 million.**

## EXTERNAL GRANTS

1. National Science Foundation (NSF). CT - ISG: ROME: Robust Measurement in Sensor Networks. PI: Yanyong Zhang. Co-PI: Danfeng Yao and Hui Xiong. \$400,000. Sep. 2008 - Aug. 2011. Personal share: \$133,000.
2. *Department of Homeland Security (DHS)*. Center of Excellence for Command, Control and Interoperability. PI: Fred Roberts. Danfeng Yao is among the Rutgers researchers. Aug. 2009 - Jul. 2015. Personal share: \$40,000.
3. National Science Foundation (NSF). CAREER: Human-Behavior Driven Malware Detection. PI: Danfeng Yao. \$530,000. Feb. 2010 - Mar. 2016. Personal share: \$530,000.

4. Army Research Office (ARO). Exploring Personalized Security With Novel Learning Techniques for Host-Based Anomaly Detection. PI: Danfeng Yao. \$50,000. May 2011 - April 2012. Personal share: \$50,000.
5. *National Science Foundation (NSF)*. Cyber Security Industry/University Cooperative Research Center. PI: T. Charles Clancy. Co-PIs: Danfeng Yao, Joseph Tront, Michael Hsiao, and Jung-Min Park. Aug. 2011 - Present. Awarded amount: \$973,500 (as of May 2017).
6. *Security and Software Engineering Research Center (S2ERC)*. User-Centric Dependency Analysis in Programs for Identifying Malware. \$40,000. PI: Danfeng Yao. Jan. 2012 - Dec. 2012. Personal share: \$40,000.
7. *National Science Foundation (NSF)*. REU Supplemental Fund. \$16,000. PI: Danfeng Yao. \$16,000. Apr. 2012 - Mar. 2013. Personal share: \$16,000.
8. Office of Naval Research (ONR). Real-Time Anomaly Detection and Quantitative Assurance for Securing Systems. PI: Danfeng Yao. \$450,000. Jan. 2013 - Aug. 2016. Personal share: \$450,000.
9. *Security and Software Engineering Research Center (S2ERC)*. Detection of Data Exfiltration in Enterprise Environments. \$38,643. PI: Danfeng Yao. May 2013 - May 2014. Personal share: \$38,643.
10. *Security and Software Engineering Research Center (S2ERC)*. Advanced Dependence Analysis For Android Malware Classification. \$30,000. PI: Danfeng Yao. Co-PI: Barbara G. Ryder. Jul. 2013 - Jun. 2014. Personal share: \$26,632.
11. *Security and Software Engineering Research Center (S2ERC)*. Cloud-based Screening of Massive Data for Security Leaks in Enterprise Environments. \$40,000. PI: Danfeng Yao. Aug. 2014 - Jul. 2016.
12. Army Research Office Young Investigator Program (ARO YIP). Causality-Based Traffic Reasoning for Securing Large-Scale Networks. PI: Danfeng Yao. \$150,000. Aug. 2014 - Aug. 2017.
13. Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA). Detection of Malware Collusion with Static Dependence Analysis on Inter-App Communication. PI: Danfeng Yao, Co-PI: Barbara Ryder. \$430,000. Personal share: \$400,000. Mar. 2015 - May 2016.
14. National Science Foundation CRISP program. CRISP Type 2: Collaborative Research: Towards Resilient Smart Cities. Walid Saad (PI) (VT ECE), Danfeng Yao is among the VT co-PIs. \$1,100,000. Personal share: \$206,347. Jan. 2016 - Dec. 2019.
15. *Security and Software Engineering Research Center (S2ERC)*. Event-driven Probabilistic Anomaly Detection for UAV Security. Danfeng Yao (PI). \$40,000. 05/01/2016 - 04/30/2017.
16. National Science Foundation (NSF). CSR:Large:VarSys:Managing variability in high-performance computing systems. PI: Kirk Cameron. Danfeng Yao is among the co-PIs. \$1,189,778. 09/01/2016 - 08/31/2018. Personal share: \$195,000.
17. National Science Foundation (NSF) CBET Division. EAGER: Privacy-enhancing CrowdPCR for Early Epidemic Detection. \$100,000. PI: Victor Ugaz at Texas A&M Chemical Engineering, co-PI: Danfeng Yao. Sep., 2016 – Aug., 2017. Personal share: \$50,000.
18. Office of Naval Research (ONR). Data-driven Vulnerability Repair in Programs with a Cloud Analytics Architecture for Practical Deployment. \$1,200,000. PI: Danfeng Yao, co-PI: Trent Jaeger (PSU) and Na Meng (VT). 07/01/2017 – 06/30/2020. Personal share: \$612,838.
19. National Science Foundation (NSF). SaTC: CORE: Small: Securing Web-to-Mobile Interface Through Characterization and Detection of Malicious Deep Links. \$500,000. PI: Gang Wang, co-PI: Danfeng Yao. Sep. 2017 - Aug. 2020. Personal share: \$235,000.

20. Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA) CASE Program. Automatic Generation of Anti-Specifications from Exploits for Scalable Program Hardening. \$400,000. PI: Danfeng Yao, co-PI: Gang Tan (PSU). Oct., 2017 – Sep., 2018. Personal share: \$210,000.

## INTERNAL FUNDS AND GIFTS

1. *Rutgers University Pervasive Computing Initiative*. Secure and Flexible Information Sharing for Crisis Communication in Pervasive Computing Environments. PI: Danfeng Yao. Co-PI: James Garnett. \$50,000. Mar. 2008 - Feb. 2009. Personal share: \$40,000.
2. *Rutgers University Academic Excellence Fund*. The Rutgers University Research Initiative on Cybersecurity Economics (RICE). PI: Rebecca Wright. Co-PIs: Vijay Atluri, Richard McLean, and Danfeng Yao. \$60,000. Jun. 2009 - May 2010. Personal share: \$15,000.
3. *Virginia Tech*. College of Engineering CAREER Incentive Grant. PI: Danfeng Yao. \$16,000. Apr. 2010 - 2015.
4. *Virginia Tech ICTAS*. Novel Games for Analyzing Cyber-Security Behaviors: An Interdisciplinary Approach. \$60,000. PI: Danfeng Yao. Co-PI: Scott Geller and Manuel Perez-Quinones. Jul. 2011 - Jun. 2012. Personal share: \$45,000.
5. *Virginia Tech*. Department of Computer Science Incentive Program. PI: Danfeng Yao. \$3,000. 2013.
6. *L-3 Communications via HUME Center*. Causality-Based Traffic Reasoning Methodology for Proactive Network Defense and Mission Assurance. PI: Danfeng Yao. \$40,900. Apr. 2014.
7. *Virginia Tech*. Eminent Scholar Supplement through L-3 Faculty Fellowship. PI: Danfeng Yao. \$5,000 per year. Sep. 2014 - present.
8. *Virginia Tech*. College of Engineering YIP Incentive Grant. PI: Danfeng Yao. \$6,000. Jan. 2015 - Jan. 2017.
9. *Virginia Tech*. College of Engineering Incentive Grant for Expanding Graduate Enrollment. PI: Danfeng Yao. \$34,000. Sep. 2014 - May 2015.
10. *Virginia Tech*. Department of Computer Science Incentive Program. PI: Danfeng Yao. \$3,000. 2015.
11. *Virginia Tech*. Eminent Scholar Supplement through Turner Faculty Fellowship. PI: Danfeng Yao. \$5,000 per year. Apr. 2016 - present.
12. Virginia Tech, Department of Computer Science Incentive Program. PI: Danfeng Yao. \$50,000. Aug. 2016 - Present.
13. Virginia Tech. Department of Computer Science Incentive Program. PI: Danfeng Yao. \$7,000. 2017.
14. From *Northrop Grumman* to support undergraduate research in cyber security. PI: Danfeng Yao. \$10,000 in 2010, \$10,000 in 2011, \$5,000 in 2012, 2013, 2014. Personal share: \$35,000.

## PROPOSALS UNDER REVIEW/PREPARATION

1. **National Science Foundation (NSF)**. SaTC:CORE:Medium:Collaborative: Automatic Methods and Tools for Securing Cryptography Code Development. \$1,200,000. PI: Danfeng Yao, co-PI: Na Meng (VT) and Haipeng Cai (Washington State University). May 2018 – May 2022. *Under review*
2. **National Science Foundation (NSF)**. CPS:Medium:Collaborative: Lightweight On-chip Secure Auditing Framework for Runtime Controllability of Drones. \$1,200,000. PI: Danfeng Yao. PIs: Lui Sha (UIUC Computer Science) and Naira Hovakimyan (UIUC Mechanical Engineering). *Under preparation*.

## SELECT LEADERSHIP ACTIVITIES

### 1. **Lead program chair of *IEEE Secure Development Conference (SecDev) 2018.***

*IEEE SecDev* is organized by IEEE Computer Society's Technical Committee on Security and Privacy.

- To bridge the gap between academic research and practical needs in the government and industry, I started a new *Practitioners Session* in SecDev '18, which calls for abstract submissions from security practitioners. This is the first such call in IEEE or ACM security conferences. I put together a new practitioner session program committee, which consists of 20 security experts, mostly from the industry and government sectors.
- I expanded the size of the regular research program committee from 27 people to 40 people. I actively recruited female PC members.
- I am instrumental in convincing the organizers to invite two female keynote speakers.
- In addition, I took an active role in promoting SecDev, which is a relatively young conference, running for the third time in 2018.

### 2. **Founder of the *Women in Cyber Security (CyberW) Workshop, co-located with ACM CCS 2017.***

- CyberW is the first research-oriented venue to promote female cybersecurity research leaders and call for advancing females' to senior and leadership positions.
- I raised \$65,000 for CyberW to cover for the travel grants of the participants. A total of 51 people (including 44 participants, 2 workshop organizers, and 5 keynote speakers) received travel grants. There were around 70 workshop attendees.
- I invited 7 top security experts to give keynote speeches, 2 of which are on the topic of inclusive excellence.

### 3. **ACM SIGSAC Secretary/Treasurer, 2017 – Present.**

**ACM SIGSAC Executive Committee Member, 2017 – Present.**

- My leadership vision is to help encourage and advance female researchers and others from underrepresented groups in cybersecurity, which has been traditionally a male-dominated field. In addition, my goal is to ensure SIGSAC gives back to the community by generously supporting the ACM SIGSAC sponsored conferences, awards, and other outreach and inclusive excellence causes.

### 4. **University-wide Stakeholder Committee, Virginia Tech Integrated Security Destination Area (IS DA) 2016 - Present**

- I was instrumental in persuading the university to add 2 security faculty lines to the CS department in 2017-2018.

### 5. **University-wide Curriculum Development Subcommittee, Virginia Tech Integrated Security Destination Area (IS DA) 2016 - Present**

- I was instrumental in developing the new security gateway course and multiple pathway minors across the university.

### 6. **Associate editor for *IEEE Transactions on Dependable and Secure Computing (TDSC)*, Jul. '14 – Present.**

### 7. **Editorial board member for *ACM Digital Threats: Research and Practice*, Feb. '18 – Present.**

## SELECT MEDIA REPORTS

1. Slashdot, UK's Register, Linux.com and Helpnet Security on our Java secure coding research. Oct. 2017.  
[https://www.theregister.co.uk/2017/09/29/java\\_security\\_plagued\\_stack\\_overflow/](https://www.theregister.co.uk/2017/09/29/java_security_plagued_stack_overflow/)  
<https://slashdot.org/story/17/10/07/022216>
2. Wiley's Advanced Science News featured my invited review article on enterprise data breach.  
<http://www.advancedsciencenews.com/enterprise-data-breach-causes-challenges-prevention-future-directions/> Oct. 2017.
3. CBS News, New Scientist, ACM Technews, International Business Times, and many others on Android malware collusion work (in ASIACCS '17). Apr. 2017.
4. Featured news in Communications of ACM on program anomaly detection. Jan. 2016.  
<http://cacm.acm.org/news/196663-anomaly-detectors-catch-zero-day-hackers/fulltext>
5. HPC Wire, Government Security News on detecting stealth attacks with program anomaly detection. Oct. 2015.
6. An article from Science on Yao's NSF CAREER Award. Malware and search engines: Lamar Smith goes far afield in his latest hit list of NSF grants. Written by Jeffrey Mervis. Feb., 2015.  
<http://www.sciencemag.org/news/2015/02/malware-and-search-engines-lamar-smith-goes-far-afield-his-latest-hit-list-nsf-grants?rss=1>
7. Computer World, TMC Net, IT Weekly Newsletter on causality-based insider threat detection. Oct. 2014.
8. Data-leak detection research highlight by Software Security Engineering Research Center (S2ERC), a NSF I/UCRC. Aug. 2014.
9. NSF, HPC Wire, Examiner, Federal Computer Week on network traffic causality reasoning for detecting stealthy malware activities. Jun. 2014.
10. Phys.org, and Supercomputing Online on quantitative anomaly detection and award-winning network traffic analysis work. Mar. 2013.
11. International Business Times, Homeland Security News Wires, PHYSORG (United Kingdom) on our award-winning keystroke dynamic security work. Nov. 2010.
12. NSF news, ACM Technews, and many others on our activity-based authentication. Nov. 2009.

## GRADUATED STUDENTS AND POSTDOCS

1. Haipeng Cai (Postdoc '16, first job as a tenure-track assistant professor at Washington State University, Pullman)
2. Amiangshu Bosu (Postdoc '15, first job as a tenure-track assistant professor at Southern Illinois University (SIU))
3. Fang Liu (Ph.D. '17, first job as an Internet security research engineer at Palo Alto Networks)  
*Thesis title:* Mining Security Risks from Massive Datasets  
*External committee member:* Dongyan Xu, Purdue University

4. Xiaokui Shu (Ph.D. '16, first job at IBM Research T. J. Watson Center)  
*Thesis title:* Threat Detection in Program Execution and Data Movement: Theory and Practice  
*External committee member:* Trent Jaeger, Penn State University
5. Hao Zhang (Ph.D. '15, first job as a security engineer at the DB security group of Oracle)  
*Thesis title:* Discovery of Triggering Relations and Its Applications in Network Security and Android Malware Detection  
*External committee member:* Xinming Ou, Kansas State University
6. Karim Elish (Ph.D. '15, assistant professor at Florida Polytechnic University)  
*Thesis title:* User-Intention Based Program Analysis for Android Security  
*External committee member:* Xuxian Jiang, North Carolina State University
7. Kui Xu (Ph.D. '14, security engineer at Google)  
*Thesis title:* Anomaly Detection Through System and Program Behavior Modeling  
*External committee member:* David Evans, University of Virginia
8. Hussain Almohri (Ph.D. '13, first job as an assistant professor at Kuwait University)  
*Thesis title:* High Assurance Models for Secure Systems  
*External committee member:* Michael Hsiao, VT ECE
9. Huijun Xiong (Ph.D. '13, security engineer at Google)  
*Thesis title:* Secure Data Service Outsourcing with Untrusted Cloud  
*External committee member:* Xinwen Zhang, Huawei Research US.
10. Saman Zarandioon (Ph.D. '12 from Rutgers University, coadvised with Vinod Ganapathy, software engineer at Amazon Inc.)  
*Thesis title:* Improving the Security and Usability of Cloud Services with User-Centric Security Models
11. Hannah Roth (M.S. '17, first position after graduation: MITRE Corp)  
*Thesis title:* Smartphone Privacy in Citizen Science
12. Alexander Kedrowitsch (M.S. '17, first position after graduation: instructor at West Point Academy)  
*Thesis title:* Deceptive Environments for Cybersecurity Defense on Low-power Devices
13. Daniel Barton (M.S. '16, first job at Lockheed Martin)  
*Thesis title:* Usable Post-classification Visualization for Android Collusion Detection and Inspection
14. Yipan Deng (M.S. '11, first job as an engineer at Intel)  
*Thesis title:* DeviceGuard: External Device-Assisted System and Data Security
15. Nitya H. Vyas (M.S., '10 from Rutgers University, first job as an engineer at VMTurbo)  
*Thesis title:* Usable Web 2.0 Privacy Management and Medical Imaging Search: An Ontology-Based Approach

## CURRENT PH.D. AND M.S. STUDENTS

- Long Cheng (To join the faculty of Clemson University in Fall '18. Ph.D., expected to graduate in summer '18.)  
*Tentative thesis title:* Program Anomaly Detection Against Data-oriented Attacks  
*External committee member:* Raheem Beyah, Georgia Tech



- Ke Tian (Ph.D., expected to graduate in summer '18. To join Microsoft security group.)  
*Tentative thesis title: Learning-based Mobile App Analysis and Binary Customization for Security*  
*External committee member: Gang Tan, Penn State University*
- Sazzadur Rahaman (Ph.D., joined VT in 2015)  
*Tentative thesis title: Deployable Program Analysis Tools for Securing Cryptographic Implementations*  
*External committee member: David Evans, University of Virginia*
- Kaidi Wang (Ph.D., joined VT in 2017)
- Ya Xiao (Ph.D., joined VT in 2017)
- Md Salman Ahmed (Ph.D., joined VT in 2017)
- Vibhav Nanda (M.S., currently an ECE senior for BS/MS program)

## MANUSCRIPTS UNDER REVIEW

1. Haipeng Cai, Na Meng, Barbara Ryder, and Danfeng Yao. DroidCat: Effective Android Malware Detection and Categorization via App-Level Profiling. Submission to *IEEE TIFS*.
2. Ke Tian, Gang Tan, Danfeng Yao, and Barbara Ryder. Prioritizing Data Flows and Sinks for App Security Transformation. Under review.
3. Yanzhi Dou, Kexiong (Curtis) Zeng, Yaling Yang, and Danfeng Yao. GuardCR: Scalable and Accurate Zero-Day Malware Detection System for Cognitive Radio. Submission to *IEEE Transactions on Wireless Communications*.
4. Sazzadur Rahaman, Ke Tian, Ya Xiao, Fahad Shaon, and Danfeng Yao. CHIRON: A Deployment-quality Tool for Screening Cryptographic Code in Java. Submission to *ACM Conference on Computer and Communications Security (CCS)*.
5. Long Cheng, Ke Tian, Danfeng Yao, Lui Sha, and Raheem Beyah. Checking is Believing: Event-aware Program Anomaly Detection in Cyber-physical Systems. Submission to *IEEE Transactions on Dependable and Secure Computing (TDSC)*.

## BOOK

1. **Danfeng Yao, Xiaokui Shu, Long Cheng, and Salvatore J. Stolfo. Anomaly Detection as a Service: Challenges, Advances, and Opportunities. In *Synthesis Lectures on Information Security, Privacy, and Trust*. Editors: Elisa Bertino and Ravi Sandhu. Morgan & Claypool. Oct. 2017. <https://doi.org/10.2200/S00800ED1V01Y201709SPT022>**

## JOURNALS

2. Ke Tian, Danfeng Yao, Barbara Ryder, Gang Tan, and Guojun Peng. Code-heterogeneity Aware Detection for Repackaged Malware. *IEEE Transactions on Dependable and Secure Computing (TDSC)*. Jul. 2017.
3. Xiaokui Shu, Danfeng Yao, Naren Ramakrishnan, and Trent Jaeger Long-Span Program Behavior Modeling and Attack Detection. *ACM Transactions on Privacy and Security (TOPS)*. 20(4). Oct. 2017.
4. Long Cheng, Fang Liu, and Danfeng Yao. Enterprise Data Breach: Causes, Challenges, Prevention, and Future Directions *WIREs Data Mining and Knowledge Discovery*. 7(5). Wiley. Sep/Oct, 2017. **Invited review paper, featured by Wiley's Advanced Science News.**

5. Hao Zhang, Danfeng Yao, Naren Ramakrishnan, and Zhibin Zhang. Causality Reasoning about Network Events for Detecting Stealthy Malware Activities. *Computers & Security*. 58: 180-198. Elsevier. 2016. **Patented technology.**
6. Hussain Almohri, Layne T. Watson, Danfeng Yao, and Xinming Ou. Security Optimization of Dynamic Networks with Probabilistic Graph Modeling and Linear Programming. *IEEE Transactions on Secure and Dependable Computing (TDSC)*. 13(4): 474-487. 2016.
7. Xiaokui Shu, Jing Zhang, Danfeng Yao, and Wu-Chun Feng. Fast Detection of Transformed Data Leaks. *IEEE Transactions on Information Forensics & Security (TIFS)*. To appear. 11(3): 528-542. 2016. Shorter version received **Best Poster Award at ACM CODASPY '15.**
8. Xiaokui Shu, Danfeng Yao, and Elisa Bertino. Privacy-Preserving Detection of Sensitive Data Exposure with Applications to Data-Leak Detection as a Service. *IEEE Transactions on Information Forensics & Security (TIFS)*. 10(5). 1092-1103. May 2015.
9. Karim O. Elish, Xiaokui Shu, Danfeng Yao, Barbara Ryder, and Xuxian Jiang. Dependency-Based Static Program Profiling for Android Malware Detection. *Computers & Security*. 49, 255–273. March, 2015.
10. Hussain Almohri, Danfeng Yao, and Dennis Kafura. Process Authentication for High System Assurance. *IEEE Transactions on Dependable and Secure Computing (TDSC)*. 11(2), 168-180. March/April 2014.
11. Kui Xu, Patrick Butler, Sudip Saha, and Danfeng Yao. DNS for Massive-Scale Command and Control. *IEEE Transactions on Dependable and Secure Computing (TDSC)*. 10(3), 143-153. May/June 2013.
12. Kui Xu, Huijun Xiong, Chehai Wu, Deian Stefan, and Danfeng Yao. Data-Provenance Verification For Secure Hosts. *IEEE Transactions on Dependable and Secure Computing (TDSC)*. 9(2), 173-183. March/April 2012. **Patented technology.**
13. Deian Stefan, Xiaokui Shu, and Danfeng Yao. Robustness of Keystroke-Dynamics Based Biometrics Against Synthetic Forgeries. *Computers & Security*. 31(1), 109-121. 2012. Elsevier.
14. Jerry Rick Ramstetter, Yaling Yang, and Danfeng Yao. Applications and Security of Next-Generation User-Centric Wireless Systems. *Future Internet, Special Issue on Security for Next Generation Wireless and Decentralized Systems*. Editors: Ralf Steinmetz and André Koenig. Jun. 2010. **Invited paper.**
15. Qian Yang, Danfeng Yao, Kaitlyn Muller, and James Garnett. Using a Trust Inference Model for Flexible and Controlled Information Sharing During Crises. *Journal of Contingencies and Crisis Management*. 18(4), 231-241. Dec. 2010. Wiley-Blackwell.
16. Roberto Tamassia, Danfeng Yao, and William H. Winsborough. Independently-Verifiable Decentralized Role-Based Delegation. *IEEE Transactions on Systems, Man, and Cybernetics, Part A*. 40(6), 1206-1219. Nov. 2010.
17. Danfeng Yao and Roberto Tamassia. Compact and Anonymous Role-Based Authorization Chain. *ACM Transactions on Information and System Security (TISSEC)*. 12(3). 1-27. 2009.
18. Michael T. Goodrich, Roberto Tamassia, and Danfeng Yao. Notarized Federated Identity Management for Increased Trust in Web Services. *Journal of Computer Security*, 16(4): 399-418. 2008.
19. Danfeng Yao, Keith Frikken, Mike Atallah, Roberto Tamassia. Private Information: To Reveal or Not To Reveal. *ACM Transactions on Information and System Security (TISSEC)*. 12(1). 1-27. Feb. 2008. **Short version received Best Student Paper Award at ICICS '06.**

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## SOFTWARE AND DATASET

- For software security.  
Dataset (from ICSE '18) summarizing 500 Java security-related posts from StackOverflow forum.  
<http://people.cs.vt.edu/nm8247/icse18.xlsx>
- For Android Security.
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## OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

1. NSF panelist (multiple times, including a CAREER panel)
2. Proposal-review Panelist for;  
Virginia Tech Computer Science, '17, '15  
VCU CAREER Academy, '16
3. Served as a proposal reviewer for  
University of Toledo, '18,  
Research Grants Council (RGC) of Hong Kong, '18, '17,  
Israeli Ministry of Science, Technology and Space, '17,  
American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS) Research Competitiveness Program, '17.  
Department of Mathematics of the University of Padova, Italy, '16.
4. **Technical Program Committee member for numerous top security conferences**, including:  
*IEEE Security & Privacy Symposium '19,*  
*ACM ASIACCS '18, IEEE DSN '18 Fast Track, IEEE Security & Privacy Symposium '18, IEEE ICDCS '18, HotSoS '18, ACM CODASPY '18, ACM ASIACCS CPSS Workshop '18, SECURECOMM '18, SALAD Workshop '18, ACM WiSec '18,*

ACSAC '17, ACM WiSec '17, DSN '17, IEEE ICDCS '17, ACM CODASPY '17, ICCCN '17, ACM ASIACCS '17, ACM ASIACCS SCC Workshop '17, ACM CCS MIST Workshop '17, ACM CCS SafeConfig Workshop '17, ACM CCS FEAST Workshop '17, IEEE CNS NCF Workshop '17, ACM CCS '16, SECURECOMM '16, ACSAC '16, ACM ASIACCS '16, ACM CODASPY '16, ACM CCS MIST Workshop '16, IEEE CNS '16, Smart City Security and Privacy Workshop (SCSP-W '16), IEEE CloudCom '15, ACSAC '15, ACM CCS '15 IEEE CNS '15, Inscrypt '15, NSS '15, ACM CCS MIST Workshop '15, IEEE ICC '15 CISS, IEEE CCNS '15, ACM ASIACCS '15 ACSAC '14, ACM CCS '14, Inscrypt '14, SecureComm '14, ICCCN MobiPST '14, GLOBECOM CISS '14, ACM SACMAT '14, ACM ASIACCS '14, ACM CODASPY '14, MIST Workshop '14, Inscrypt '13, IEEE CNS '13, ACNS '13, ACM ASIACCS '13, ACM CODASPY '13, ISC '13, IEEE GLOBECOM '13, SecureComm '13, SESP '13, MIST '13 ACM ASIACCS '12, ACNS '12, SecureComm '12, ICCS '12, SECRIPT '12, ISPEC '12, SecureComm '11, WPES '11, GLOBECOM '11, CollaborateCom '11, IFIPTM '11, CSA '11, IPDPS '11, MobilPST '11, WWW '10, IEEE CANS '10, GLOBECOM '10, CollaborateCom '10, IEEE ICCCN '10, IFIPTM '10, WWW '09, IEEE ICCCN '09, CollaborateCom '08, ACM SAC '07, IEEE PADM '07.

5. Editorial board member for *International Journal of Security and Networks*, Jan. '11 – Mar. '15.
6. Serving as a session chair in conferences, including IEEE SecDev '17, ACM CCS '16, '15, '14 and ASIACCS '17, '14.
7. Panel co-chair for the *12th EAI International Conference on Security and Privacy in Communication Networks (SecureComm)*, 2016.
8. Program co-chair for the *Third International Workshop on Security in Cloud Computing (SCC)*, held in conjunction with ASIACCS. 2015.
9. Moderator for the Special Interest Panel in S2ERC Showcase (NSF I/UCRC), Nov. 2013
10. Co-organizer of Northeast Security and Privacy Day at Rutgers University, May 2009.
11. Reviewer for *IEEE Transactions on Dependable and Secure Computing*, *IEEE Transactions on Information, Forensics and Security*, *ACM Transactions on Information and System Security (TISSEC)* renamed to *ACM Transactions on Privacy and Security (TOPS)*, *Computers & Security*, *IEEE Systems Journal*, *ACM Transactions on Computer-Human Interaction*, *International Journal of Computer Mathematics*, *Journal of Computer Security*, *Computer Communications*, *IEEE Transactions on Knowledge and Data Engineering*, *IET Information Security*, *British Journal of Mathematics & Computer Science*, *Journal of Biomedical Informatics*, *IEEE Transactions on Services Computing*, *Wireless Networks*, *Mobile Networks and Applications*, *Knowledge and Information Systems*, *Data & Knowledge Engineering Journal*, *Journal of Information Processing*, *IEEE Journal on Selected Areas in Communications*, *Journal of Systems and Software*, *IEEE Internet Computing*.
12. Book chapter review for *Algorithm Design and Applications*. Wiley. Jun. 2014.
13. IEEE Senior Member, ACM Senior Member.

## OTHER PRESENTATIONS

1. Automatic Generation of Anti-Specifications from Exploits for Scalable Program Hardening. DARPA CASE Kickoff Meeting. Arlington, VA. Feb. 2018.
2. Cybersecurity: What, Why, How? Sophomore Seminar. Virginia Tech Computer Science Department. Oct. 2016.
3. A Sharper Sense of Self: Probabilistic Reasoning of Program Behaviors for Anomaly Detection with Context Sensitivity. In *Proceedings of the 46th Annual IEEE/IFIP International Conference on Dependable Systems and Networks (DSN)*. Toulouse, France. Jun., 2016.
4. Overview of VT CS/ECE Education and Research Activities. *University-Wide Cybersecurity Workshop*. Blacksburg, VA. Aug. 2016.
5. Program Anomaly Detection With Near-zero False Alarms. Missouri University of Science and Technology (MST). **Departmental Seminar**. Rolla, MO. Apr. 2016.
6. Detection of Malware Collusion with Static Dependence Analysis on Inter-App Communication. *DARPA APAC PI Meeting*. Tampa, FL. Oct. 2015.
7. Probabilistic Program Modeling for High-Precision Anomaly Classification. *IEEE CSF*. Verona, Italy. Jul. 2015.
8. Precise Modeling of Benign Program Behaviors for Proactive System Defense. Brown University Computer Science Department Systems Reading Group. Providence, RI. Nov. 2014.
9. Storytelling Security: Causal-Analysis For Proactive Defense. Grace Hopper Conference (GHC). Oct. 2014. Phoenix, AZ.
10. Inter-Component and Inter-App Communication Analysis in Android For Advanced Malware Detection. NSF I/UCRC S2ERC Showcase. May. 2014. Washington D.C.
11. User-Intention Based Anomaly Detection For Cyber Security. *37th annual meeting of the SIAM Southeastern Atlantic Section*. Oak Ridge National Lab. Mar. 2013.
12. Distributed Detection of Data Exfiltration in Enterprise Environments. Security Software and Engineering Research Center Showcase. Arlington, VA. May 2012.
13. User-Centric Dependence Analysis in Programs For Identifying Malware. Security Software and Engineering Research Center Showcase. Ames, IA. Nov. 2011.
14. Data Leak Detection in Enterprise Environments. NSF I/UCRC S2ERC Showcase. Nov. 2013. Pensacola, FL.
15. Advanced Program Analysis for Android App Classification. NSF I/UCRC S2ERC Showcase. Nov. 2013. Pensacola, FL.
16. Probabilistic Program Modeling for Anomaly Detection. IEEE Security & Privacy Symposium. Short talk. San Francisco. May 2013.
17. User-Intention Based Program Analysis for Security. IEEE Security & Privacy Symposium. Short talk. San Francisco. May 2013.
18. User-Intention Based Anomaly Detection. Virginia Tech, Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering, Center for Embedded Systems for Critical Applications (CESCA). May 2013.
19. User-Centric Security and Privacy. Virginia Tech College of Engineering Advisory Board Meeting. Oct. 2010.
20. Host-Based And User-Centric Approaches For Detecting Drive-By-Download Attacks. Computer Science Departmental Seminar. New Jersey Institute of Technology. Nov. 2009.

21. Host-Based and User-Centric Detection of Drive-By-Download Attacks. DIMACS Fall Mixer. Rutgers University. Sep. 2009.
22. Cryptographic Provenance Verification Approach in Malware Detection With Trusted User Inputs. *Security and Privacy Day*. Rutgers University. May 2009.
23. Personalized Security With Trusted User Inputs For Botnet Detection. *Virginia Tech Computer Science Departmental Seminar*, Blacksburg, VA. May 2009.
24. Keystroke Authentication and Human-Behavior Driven Bot Detection. DyDAn Student-organized Seminar Series, Rutgers University. Nov. 2008.
25. Keystroke Dynamics Authentication and Human-Behavior Driven Bot Detection. *Departmental Seminar*. Stevens Institute of Technology, Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering. Hoboken, NJ. Oct. 2008.
26. Compact and Anonymous Role-Based Authorization Chains. *NIST Workshop on Applications of Pairing Based Cryptography: Identity Based Encryption and Beyond*. NIST at Gaithersburg, MD. Jun. 2008.
27. Efficient signature schemes supporting redaction, pseudonymization, and data deidentification. *BSF/DIMACS/DyDAn Workshop on Data Privacy*. Rutgers University, NJ. Jan. 2008.
28. Private Information: To Reveal Or Not To Reveal. *Departmental Seminars*. Department of Computer Science at Rutgers University, Texas A&M University, Washington University at St. Louis, and Indiana University - Purdue University at Indianapolis; Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering at Iowa State University and Purdue University. Spring 2007.
29. Trust and Service Negotiations Using WSPL. Sun Microsystems Lab, Burlington MA. Nov. 2003.

## STUDENT AWARDS AND HONORS

Long Cheng, Pratt Fellowship, Computer Science Department	Dec. 2017
Xiaokui Shu, Outstanding Ph.D. Student Award, Computer Science Department	Apr. 2016
Xiaokui Shu, Best Poster Award, ACM CODASPY	Mar. 2015
Karim Elish, First Place in VT Computer Science Graduate Research Poster Competition	Apr. 2014
Karim Elish, Finalist for VT COE Torgersen Graduate Research Award	Apr. 2014
Hussain Almohri, Finalist for VT COE Torgersen Graduate Research Award	Apr. 2013
Joshua Martin, Nominated for CRA Outstanding Undergrad Researchers Award by VT CS	Mar. 2013
Hussain Almohri, Kuwait Government Scholarship	2007-2013
Karim Elish, 1st Place in VT Graduate Research Competition	Mar. 2012
Casey Link, VTURCS Best Poster Award	Apr. 2011
Brian Thompson, DHS DyDAn Fellowship	Jan. 2009 - Aug. 2011
Deian Stefan, Botnet Biometrics Work Featured in NSF Highlights	Jan. 2009

## SELECT UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH STUDENTS

1. Zachary Burch ('15, undergraduate at VT CS) on proof-of-concept collusion malware in Android
2. Adrienne Williams (NSF REU '15, undergraduate at VT CS) on accuracy comparison of anti-virus tools
3. Allison Hatch (NSF REU '15, undergraduate at VT CS) on the usability evaluation of intrusion detection tools
4. Lance Chao ('14, '15, CyberCorp BS/MS student at VT CS) on Java string analysis for Android collusion detection

5. Hannah Roth ('14 – '16, CyberCorp BS/MS student at VT CS) on improving the usability of program anomaly detection in IoT
6. Andrew Ciambrone (NSF REU '14, undergraduate at VT CS) on big data analysis for early network detection
7. Zack Morris ('14, undergraduate at VT CS) on repackaged Android malware analysis
8. Joshua Martin ('13, undergraduate at VT CS) on Android rootkits and their defenses
9. Samantha Puckett ('13, undergrad at VT CS) on data leak protection in Android
10. Laurel Schaefer (NSF REU '12, undergrad at VT CS) on social science and cyber security
11. Brendan Avent ('11, '12, undergraduate at VT CS) on low-cost location tracking for missing children
12. Casey Link ('11, undergraduate at VT CS) on development of a game system for security education
13. William Matt Banick ('10, undergraduate at VT CS/Psychology) on user-intention based traffic dependency study
14. Alexander Crowell (DIMACS REU '09, joined University Michigan CS for PhD) on detection of drive-by-download attacks
15. Anitra Babic (DIMACS REU '09, undergraduate at Chestnut Hill College) on email-activity based authentication
16. Prateek Malhotra ('08, undergraduate at Rutgers CS) on parallel universe design of network traffic prediction for anomaly detection
17. Deian Stefan (DIMACS REU '08, joined UCSD as an assistant professor) on keystroke dynamic authentication

## UNIVERSITY/DEPARTMENT SERVICES

University-wide Clustering Hire Search Committee, Virginia Tech Integrated Security Destination Area (IS DA)	2017-2018
Engineering Faculty Organization (EFO) Executive Committee, VT College of Engineering	2017 - Present
University-wide Stakeholder Committee, Virginia Tech Integrated Security Destination Area (IS DA)	2016 - Present
University-wide Curriculum Development Subcommittee, Virginia Tech Integrated Security Destination Area (IS DA)	2016 - Present
CAREER Proposal Mentoring (Helped with 4 NSF CAREER proposals), VT CS	Summer 2017
Faculty Design Team, Virginia Tech Integrated Security Destination Area	2016 - 2017
Personnel Committee, Virginia Tech Computer Science	2016 - 2017
Course Certification of NSA's Center of Academic Excellence for Cyber operations	Apr. 2016
Department Head Search Committee, Virginia Tech Computer Science	2014-2015
Co-organizer of graduate recruitment weekend	2015
Co-chair of Faculty Search Committee, Virginia Tech Computer Science	2014-2015
Faculty Search Committee, Virginia Tech Computer Science	2016-2017, 2014-2015, 2013-2014, 2012-2013, 2011-2012, 2010-2011
Graduate Program Committee, Virginia Tech Computer Science	2016-2017, 2014-2015
Diversity Committee, Virginia Tech Computer Science	2014-2015
Chair of Computer Science Ph.D. Qualifier Exam Committee	2012-2013
Graduate Admission Committee, Virginia Tech Computer Science	2013-2014, 2012-2013, 2011-2012
CS/ECE joint cyber security curriculum development	2011-2012, 2012-2013, 2013-2014
Qualifier Exam Committee, Virginia Tech Computer Science	2011-2012, 2013-2014
Faculty Search Committee, Virginia Tech Electrical and Computer Engineering	2011-2012
Publicity and Awards Committee, Rutgers Computer Science	2008-2009

Admission Committee, Rutgers Computer Science 2008-2009

## OUTREACH AND DIVERSITY

Saudi Young Leaders Exchange Program (VT CPE) 2017  
Founder of Women in Cyber Security (CyberW) Workshop (co-located with ACM CCS) 2017  
National Center for Women & IT (NCWIT) reviewer 2016  
Co-organizer of the system reading group at VT CS 2015-2017  
Advising a local high school student on steganography research 2015  
Panelist for Brown University CS Department Career Workshop for Ph.D. students Nov. 2014  
Grace Hopper Conference Scholarship Application Committee Member 2014  
Advising Roanoke Valley Governor's School students on keystroke dynamics authentication Oct. 2013  
Media consultant to Washington Times on cyber security for small businesses May 2014  
Women's networking event for recruiting female undergraduates to VT CS major Jan. 2013, 2014  
Lectures at Imagination Camps for middle school students, Virginia Tech Jul. 2012  
Recruiting underrepresented students into NSF REU programs May 2012  
Exhibition at Kids' Tech, Virginia Tech Feb. 2012  
Academic career panel, Virginia Tech Computer Science Oct. 2011  
Presenter for C-Tech<sup>2</sup> High School Girls Summer School 2011  
Presented at Women's Preview Weekend of College of Engineering Mar. 2010, Apr. 2011  
Demo at the COE recruiting events for underrepresented high school sophomores Apr. 2011  
Presentation and demo for representatives from General Dynamics, Oct. 2010  
Panelist on the VT CS Graduate Council Academic Job Search Panel Oct. 2011  
Presented in the *Meet the Faculty* event of Computer Science Dept. Jan. 2010, Jan. 2011  
Signed up as a mentor in Scieneering mentoring program Mar. 2011  
Meet with minority Ph.D. students from Georgia Tech Jan. 2011  
Demos and posters at VT CS 40th anniversary weekend Nov. 2010  
Serving as an e-mentor in Rutgers University Women in Engineering Leadership League 2008-2009  
DIMACS Career Planning Seminar for graduate students and postdocs Oct. 2008