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CONTACT INFORMATION

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RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Cybersecurity
- Cyber Law & Policy, specifically in regards to the United States
- Network Security
- Deep Learning-based Security Solutions
- Adversarial Jamming Attacks & Mitigation
- Computer Science Learning Integration in K-12 Education

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

BRIDGEWATER STATE UNIVERSITY, Bridgewater, MA USA 2010 - 2014

B.S. in Computer Science & Mathematics

Thesis: *"The Key to Cryptography: The RSA Algorithm"*

Advisors: Prof. Jacqueline Anderson, Prof. Margaret Black

GPA: 3.723 (*Magna Cum Laude*)

NORTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY, Boston, MA USA 2014 - PRESENT

Ph.D. in Cybersecurity / M.S. in Cybersecurity

Advisor: Prof. Tommaso Melodia

Research Area: Wireless Networks & Deep Learning Applications

KCCIS Graduate Fellowship

WORK EXPERIENCE

Doctoral Student (Ph.D.) / Graduate Research Assistant 2021 - PRESENT

Institute for the Wireless Internet of Things, Boston, MA USA

Research Areas: Wireless Network Security, Deep Learning

Implementations, Communication Security.

Supervisor(s): Prof. Tommaso Melodia, Dr. Salvatore D'Oro

Graduate Teaching Assistant JAN. 2020 -
AUG. 2020
Khoury College of Computer Science, Boston, MA USA
Courses: CS 3700 - Networks and Distributed Systems
CS 5700 - Fundamentals of Computer Networking.
Supervisor(s): Prof. Alden Jackson (CS 3700)
Prof. Prasad Saripalli (CS 5700)

Cybersecurity Research Consultant AUG. 2019 -
JUNE 2020
Global Resilience Institute at Northeastern University, Boston, MA USA
Assisted and consulted on cybersecurity issues on their Critical
Infrastructure Network (CINet) Project.
Supervisor: Robert Knake

Undergraduate Research Assistant JUNE 2017 -
AUG. 2017
Undergraduate Research Center, Bridgewater, MA USA
Research Area: Mathematical cryptography in public-key encryptions,
specifically the RSA algorithm.
Adrian Tinsley Program (ATP) for Undergraduate Research Grant
Recipient.
Supervisor: Prof. Jacqueline Anderson

RESEARCH PROJECTS

MITRE Corporation & Colosseum WIoT Joint Project MAY 2022 -
PRESENT
The Institute for the Wireless Internet of Things & The MITRE Corporation
Project Description: Security-driven solutions utilizing the Colosseum
Wireless Network Emulator.
Supervisor(s): Prof. Tommaso Melodia, Dr. Pedram Johari

Intelligence Advanced Research Projects Activity (IARPA) Program DEC. 2021 -
PRESENT
The Institute for the Wireless Internet of Things & AiRANACULUS®
Project Description: Focused on identifying unexpected radio frequency
(RF) transmissions to detect attempted data breaches.
Supervisor(s): Prof. Tommaso Melodia, Prof. Francesco Restuccia

CINet - A Critical Infrastructure Network AUG. 2019 -
JUNE 2020
Global Resilience Institute at Northeastern University
Project Description: Creating and providing a separate, secure

communications network for critical infrastructure owners and operators.

Supervisor: Robert Knake

Undergraduate Research Assistant

JUNE 2017 -
AUG. 2017

Undergraduate Research Center, Bridgewater, MA USA

Research Area: Mathematical cryptography in public-key encryptions, specifically the RSA algorithm.

Adrian Tinsley Program (ATP) for Undergraduate Research Grant Recipient.

Supervisor: Prof. Jacqueline Anderson

PUBLICATIONS

Any paper currently under review for conferences and workshops will be updated upon acceptance or approval.

1. Robinson, Clifton Paul. (2018). The Key to Cryptography: The RSA Algorithm. In BSU Honors Program Theses and Projects. Item 268. Available at: https://vc.bridgew.edu/honors_proj/268

TALKS & PRESENTATIONS

The Key to Cryptography: The RSA Algorithm

April 2018

National Conference on Undergraduate Research 2018 (NCUR), Edmond, OK

Poster Presentation

Cyber Law: Past, Present, and Future

April 2018

Massachusetts Statewide Undergraduate Research Conference

Oral Presentation

TEACHING & LECTURES

Academic Lecturer

Spring 2023*

Northeastern University

Course: CY 2550 - Foundations of Cybersecurity

Description: The high-level goal of this course is to introduce the breadth of topics in the cybersecurity space to students, and begin

training them to apply these ideas through an understanding of defensive mechanisms and attacker strategies.

Head Teaching Assistant

Spring 2020

Northeastern University

Course: CS 3700 - Networks and Distributed Systems

Assisted the professor in grading and creating homework assignments and projects.

Guest Lectures

CS 3700 - Networks and Distributed Systems

Spring 2002

- The Physical Layer
- The Data Link Layer
- Bridging
- Intra-Domain and Inter-Domain Routing
- The Transport Layer

ACADEMIC MEMBERSHIPS

1. Upsilon Pi Epsilon
2. Pi Mu Epsilon

HONORS & AWARDS

1. **Bridgewater State University**
 - a. Dean’s List (All Semesters)
 - b. Commonwealth Honors
 - c. Computer Science Departmental Honors
 - d. Mathematics Departmental Honors
 - e. Award for Student Excellence
2. **Northeastern University**
 - a. Academic Fellowship Recipient

SKILLS

Programming:
Python
Java
TensorFlow
LaTeX

Soft Skills:
Leadership
Critical Thinking
Teamwork
Communication