

# CURRICULUM VITAE

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## EDUCATION

- 2016–2022      Ph.D. in computer science, **National University of Singapore**, Singapore  
Advised by Prof. Zhenkai Liang and Prof. Min Suk Kang.  
Ph.D. thesis: "[Handling network attacks exploiting routing information asymmetries](#)".
- 2011–2015      B.S. in computer science, **Vietnam National University**, Vietnam  
Bachelor's thesis (advised by Prof. Hoang Truong):  
"Some improvements for regular expression solving in Z3-Regex".

## EXPERIENCE

- 2022–            Postdoctoral researcher, **ETH Zurich**, Switzerland  
I collaborated with Prof. Laurent Vanbever on building more secure networked systems.  
My projects included:
- Measuring the Internet's resilience against physical failures.
  - Uncovering new DDoS and Internet routing attacks.
  - Securing blockchain protocols against network attacks.
- 2022            Research fellow, **National University of Singapore**, Singapore  
I advised graduate students to work on testing blockchain clients via fuzzing.
- 2018            Intern researcher, **IBM Research**, Singapore  
I developed a communication prototype for banks using the HyperLedger framework.
- 2016            Research assistant, **National University of Singapore**, Singapore  
I tested HIPrec, a verification framework reasoning about recursive integer programs.
- 2015            Intern researcher, **National University of Singapore**, Singapore  
I helped to test a few extensions of the Z3 SAT solver.

## HONORS AND AWARDS

- 2022            Dean's Research Excellence Award, **National University of Singapore**, Singapore  
*Granted to accomplished Ph.D. students who demonstrate sustained research achievements.*
- 2021            Distinguished Shadow Program Committee Reviewer, **IEEE S&P**, USA.  
*Rewarded to 7/78 reviewers who "did much better than others".*

- 2019–2020 President’s Graduate Fellowship, **National University of Singapore**, Singapore.  
*Awarded to Ph.D. students with exceptional promise or accomplishment in research.*
- 2019 Microsoft Research Asia Fellowship, **Microsoft**, China.  
*Given to 12 outstanding PhD candidates from the Asia-Pacific region.*
- Dean’s Research Achievement Award, **National University of Singapore**, Singapore.  
*Given to Ph.D. students with outstanding research performance in the past year.*
- 2017 I&E Practicum@SoC, **National University of Singapore**, Singapore.  
*A 10,000 SGD award for students with outstanding innovations.*
- 2016–2019 Research Scholarship, **National University of Singapore**, Singapore.  
*Default Ph.D. scholarship, upgraded into President’s Graduate Fellowship.*
- 2015 Y-E-S (Young Engineer and Scientist’s) Award, **Honda Foundation**, Vietnam.  
*Awarded to 10 Vietnamese undergraduate students in engineering or science.*
- Best undergraduate thesis defense, **Vietnam National University**, Vietnam.  
*Awarded to undergraduate students with excellent thesis defenses.*
- 1st, Student Scientific Research contest, **Vietnam National University**, Vietnam.  
*Awarded to selected scientific research projects.*
- 2012 GE Foundation Scholar-Leaders, **GE Foundation**, Vietnam.  
*Awarded to 10 first-year students in Vietnam.*

## PUBLICATIONS

- 2024 **Muoi Tran**, Theo von Arx, Laurent Vanbever.  
[“Routing Attacks on Cryptocurrency Mining Pools”](#).  
*45th IEEE Symposium on Security and Privacy (IEEE S&P ’24).*
- 2023 Theo von Arx, **Muoi Tran**, Laurent Vanbever.  
[“Revelio: A Network-Level Privacy Attack in the Lightning Network”](#).  
*8th IEEE European Symposium on Security and Privacy (IEEE EuroS&P ’23).*
- Jaehyun Ha, Seungjin Baek, **Muoi Tran**, Min Suk Kang.  
[“On the Sustainability of Bitcoin Partitioning Attacks”](#).  
*27th International Conference on Financial Cryptography and Data Security (FC ’23).*
- 2022 Seungjin Baek, Hocheol Nam, Yongwoo Oh, **Muoi Tran**, Min Suk Kang.  
[“Short paper: On the Claims of Weak Block Synchronization in Bitcoin”](#).  
*26th International Conference on Financial Cryptography and Data Security (FC ’22).*
- 2021 **Muoi Tran**, Akshaye Sheno, Min Suk Kang.  
[“On the Routing-Aware Peering against Network-Eclipse Attacks in Bitcoin”](#).  
*30th USENIX Security Symposium (USENIX Security ’21).*

- 2020 **Muoi Tran**, Inho Choi, Gi Jun Moon, Anh V. Vu, Min Suk Kang.  
 "A Stealthier Partitioning Attack against Bitcoin Peer-to-Peer Network".  
*41st IEEE Symposium on Security and Privacy (IEEE S&P '20).*
- 2019 Deli Gong, **Muoi Tran**, Shweta Shinde, Hao Jin, Vyas Sekar, Prateek Saxena, Min Suk Kang.  
 "Practical Verifiable In-network Filtering for DDoS defense".  
*39th IEEE International Conference on Distributed Computing Systems (ICDCS '19).*
- Muoi Tran**, Min Suk Kang, Hsu-Chun Hsiao, Wei-Hsuan Chiang, Shu-Po Tung, Yu-Su Wang.  
 "On the Feasibility of Rerouting-based DDoS Defenses".  
*40th IEEE Symposium on Security and Privacy (IEEE S&P '19).*
- 2018 **Muoi Tran**, Loi Luu, Min Suk Kang, Iddo Bentov, Prateek Saxena.  
 "Obscuro: A Bitcoin Mixer using Trusted Execution Environments".  
*34th Annual Computer Security Applications Conference (ACSAC '18).*

## UNDER REVIEW

- Wen-yi Chu, Cheng-Kang Chen, **Muoi Tran**, Hsun Lee, Laurent Vanbever, Hsu-Chun Hsiao.  
 "[REDACTED]".
- Georgia Fragkouli, Pavlos Nikolopoulos, **Muoi Tran**, Laurent Vanbever, Katerina Argyraki.  
 "[REDACTED]".
- Wonhoi Kim, Hochoel Nam, **Muoi Tran**, Amin Jalilov, Zhenkai Liang, Sang Kil Cha,  
 Min Suk Kang.  
 "[REDACTED]".

## TEACHING

- Assistant teach "Advanced Topics in Communication Networks"  
 ETH Zurich, Switzerland (2023)
- "Network Security"  
 National University of Singapore, Singapore (2017, 2020)
- "System Security"  
 National University of Singapore, Singapore (2017)
- "Introduction to Operating Systems"  
 National University of Singapore, Singapore (2017)
- "Programming language concepts"  
 National University of Singapore, Singapore (2016)
- Guest teach "Network Security"
- ETH Zurich, Switzerland (2023)
  - National University of Singapore, Singapore (2020, 2021)
  - Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology, Online (2020)

## SUPERVISION

- 2024
- Alessandro Giaconia (jointly supervised with Prof. Stefano Vissicchio).  
"Manipulating BGP monitors".  
*Semester project*, ETH Zurich, Switzerland.
- Nikodem Kernbach (jointly supervised with Theo von Arx).  
"Exploring Morphing DDoS Attacks".  
*Master's thesis*, ETH Zurich, Switzerland.
- Dominique Portenier (jointly supervised with Theo von Arx and Prof. Stefano Vissicchio).  
"Stealthier BGP Hijacking Attacks".  
*Semester project*, ETH Zurich, Switzerland.
- 2023
- Kai De Windt (jointly supervised with Lioba Heimbach).  
"Network-level Attacks Against Ethereum PoS".  
*Semester project*, ETH Zurich, Switzerland.
- Kilian Dasen (jointly supervised with Ege C. Kirci).  
"The Ramifications of Physical Failures on the Logical Internet".  
*Semester project*, ETH Zurich, Switzerland.
- Nguyet-Anh Duong (jointly supervised with Prof. Hoang Truong).  
Securing Relayers in Cross-chain Bridges with Network-based Obfuscation.  
*Bachelor's thesis*, Vietnam National University, Vietnam.
- 2022
- Theo von Arx (jointly supervised with Prof. Laurent Vanbever).  
Generalizing Passive Routing Attacks Against Overlay Networks.  
*Master's thesis*, ETH Zurich, Switzerland.
- Jonas Konrath (jointly supervised with Prof. Laurent Vanbever).  
Detection of Large-scale Synchronized BGP Hijacking Attacks.  
*Bachelor's thesis*, ETH Zurich, Switzerland.

## INVITED TALKS

- 2022
- "Attacking and Fixing the Bitcoin Network"
- Syracuse University (Online)
  - Vietnam National University, Hanoi, Vietnam
  - University of Cambridge (Online)
- 2021
- "Handling Network Attacks Exploiting Routing Information Asymmetries"
- CISPA Helmholtz Center for Information Security (Online)
- "On the Routing-Aware Peering against Network-Eclipse Attacks in Bitcoin"
- Theory and Practice of Blockchains (Online)
- 2019
- "Recent Bitcoin Partitioning Attacks"
- Microsoft Research Asia, Beijing, China

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

- 2024            31th ACM Conference on Computer and Communications Security (CCS)  
*Technical PC member*
- 9th IEEE European Symposium on Security and Privacy (EuroS&P)  
*Technical PC member*
- 2023            44th IEEE Symposium on Security and Privacy (S&P)  
*Poster PC member*
- 2022            43rd IEEE Symposium on Security and Privacy (S&P)  
*Poster PC member*
- 2021            9th International Workshop on Security in Blockchain and Cloud Computing (SBC)  
*Technical PC member*
- The Network and Distributed System Security Symposium (NDSS) 2021  
*External reviewer*
- Admissions to the Master's program at NUS  
*Reviewer*
- The Web Conference (WWW) 2021  
*External reviewer*
- 2020            42nd IEEE Symposium on Security and Privacy (S&P)  
*Poster and Shadow PC member*
- 27th ACM Conference on Computer and Communications Security (CCS)  
*External reviewer*
- 15th ACM Asia Conference on Computer and Communications Security (AsiaCCS)  
*External reviewer*
- 24th International Conference on Financial Cryptography and Data Security (FC)  
*External reviewer*
- 2019            Computer Science Research Week at the National University of Singapore  
*Organizer*
- 2017            18th World Conference on Information Security Applications (WISA)  
*External reviewer*
- International Conference on Verification, Model Checking, and Abstract Interpretation (VMCAI)  
*External reviewer*
- 2016            2016 ACM SIGPLAN International Conference on Object-Oriented Programming,  
Systems, Languages, and Applications (OOPSLA)  
*External reviewer*

## REFERENCES

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ETH Zurich  
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