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Petitioner,

v.

NETSKOPE, INC.,

Patent Owner.

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Patent No. 8,397,282

DECLARATION OF DR. MICHAEL FRANZ

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I, Dr. Michael Franz, hereby declare as follows:

I. INTRODUCTION

1. I, Dr. Michael Franz, have been retained by Patent Owner Netskope, Inc. (“Patent Owner”) to investigate and opine on certain issues relating to United States Patent No. 8,397,282 (“the ’282 patent”) in their response to the Petition submitted by Petitioner Fortinet, Inc. (“Petitioner”) for *inter partes* review (“IPR”).

2. The opinions set forth in this declaration are based on my personal knowledge, my professional judgment, and my analysis of the materials and information referenced in this declaration and its exhibits. In formulating my opinions, I have relied upon my knowledge, training, and experience in the relevant art. My qualifications are detailed more fully in my curriculum vitae, which is included as **Appendix A**. Below, I provide a brief summary of my qualifications.

3. I am being compensated for consulting services including time spent testifying at any hearing that may be held. I am also reimbursed for reasonable and customary expenses associated with my work in this case. I receive no other forms of compensation related to this case. My compensation does not depend on the outcome of this *inter partes* review or the co-pending district court litigation, and I have no other financial interest in this *inter partes* review.

4. This declaration is based on the information currently available to me. To the extent that additional information becomes available, I reserve the right to continue my investigation and study, which may include a review of documents and information that may be produced, as well as testimony from depositions that have not yet been taken.

A. Qualifications

1. Education

5. I completed my undergraduate studies with a Diplomingenieur from the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology in Zurich (“ETH Zurich”) in 1989. In 1994, I obtained my Doctorate of Technical Sciences from ETH Zurich. My dissertation was entitled “Code-Generation On-the-Fly: A Key to Portable Software.”

2. Work Experience

6. I am a tenured Full Professor of Computer Science in the Donald Bren School of Information and Computer Sciences at the University of California, Irvine (“UCI”). I am also, by courtesy, a Full Professor of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science in the Henry Samueli School of Engineering at UCI. In 2016, the University awarded me the title of distinction of “Chancellor’s Professor” and in 2022, I was further elevated to “Distinguished Professor,” the highest campus-level title of distinction at my university.

7. In 2025, I was additionally appointed as an “ICS Alumni Professor.” This endowed chair, which I hold concurrently with my other appointments, was donated by alumni of our school.

8. I have served as a visiting professor at ETH Zurich, the University of Klagenfurt in Austria, and the Technical University of Berlin, the Technical University of Brunswick, and the University of Ulm in Germany.

9. I have been elevated to Fellow of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE), the global engineering society. Fellow is the highest of three grades of membership that are awarded based on merit. In every year, IEEE limits the number of new Fellows to one tenth of one percent of the membership, which currently stands at about 430,000 members.

10. I have also been elevated to Fellow of the Association for Computing Machinery (ACM), the global professional society for computer scientists. Fellow is the highest of ACM’s four grades of membership. ACM’s rules for Fellows are even more restrictive than IEEE’s, limiting the total number of Fellows in absolute terms to 1% of the membership, which currently stands at about 100,000 members. In recent years, ACM has typically elevated no more than 50 individuals to Fellow status in a single year; in 2015, the year I was advanced, there were 42 new Fellows.

11. I have also been elevated to Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS), the world's largest general scientific society, with over 120,000 members.

12. Lastly, I am a member of the inaugural cohort of Fellows of the International Federation for Information Processing (IFIP), the global organization for researchers and professionals working in the field of computing. Established in 1960 under the auspices of UNESCO, IFIP is recognized by the United Nations and links some 50 national and international societies and academies of science with a total membership of over half a million professionals. IFIP is an international, non-governmental organisation that operates on a non-profit basis.

13. In April of 2021, the Association for Computing Machinery (ACM) named me the recipient of the ACM Charles “Chuck” Thacker Breakthrough in Computing Award. This is the third highest award across all of computer science given by a professional society, behind only the Turing Award (“the Nobel Prize of Computing”) and the ACM Prize in Computing (for early to mid-career contributions).

14. Furthermore, I am a recipient of the IEEE Computer Society’s Technical Achievement Award. At most 5 of these awards are given annually by the IEEE Computer Society, the largest of the IEEE’s technical societies with a current membership of more than 60,000 members.

15. Also, I am a recipient of the 2019 Humboldt Research Award, also known as the “Humboldt Prize.” The award, given by the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation of Germany and funded by the German federal government, recognizes renowned researchers outside of Germany whose “fundamental discoveries, new theories or insights have had a significant impact on their own discipline and who are expected to continue producing cutting-edge achievements in the future.” It is the highest award given by the Foundation to researchers based outside of Germany.

16. In 2025, I was awarded an “ERC Advanced Grant” by the European Research Council, the highest research award given to individual researchers by the European Union.

17. I have led pioneering research on both the security and the performance aspects of downloadable code in client-server settings such as what we today call “Web 2.0.” Two of my six awarded U.S. Patents concern themselves with security aspects of such programs downloaded over a network, one concerns itself with performance aspects of such code, while two further patents concern themselves with detecting and preventing malware attacks in general.

18. My research has had a real and lasting impact on a great many people. I am the co-inventor (with one of my former Ph.D. students) of the “Trace Tree” compilation technique, for which the United States Patent and Trademark Office has awarded U.S. Patent No. 8,769,511. I collaborated with the non-profit Mozilla

Foundation to incorporate this technique into the Firefox web browser, where it became the basis of the “TraceMonkey” JavaScript engine, eventually used by several hundred million people every day.

19. Over the course of my career so far, I have been the Principal Investigator on several high-profile research projects with a total budget of well over \$24M. My expertise in software systems with distinct emphases on the security and performance of client-server and mobile computing has been sought out repeatedly by the Federal Government, and I have been participating in many high-level invitation-only meetings on Critical Infrastructure Protection and on Cyber Security organized by the National Intelligence Community, the Department of Defense, the Department of Homeland Security, and the Department of Energy. The overwhelming majority of the federally-funded projects that I have worked on over the course of my career have been related to computer security.

20. Before I recently reached the maximum allowed number of consecutive terms on the editorial board, I was an Associate Editor of one the flagship journals of the IEEE, the IEEE Transactions on Dependable and Secure Computing (TDSC). I have also served on the editorial boards of two further peer-reviewed scholarly journals focusing on software engineering, Software – Practice and Experience (SPE) and Computer Science – Research and Development (CSRD). I have served on the program committees of most major academic conferences that are related to the

various themes of my research. I have served as the primary advisor to 40 completed Ph.Ds. and currently serve as the primary advisor on several further dissertations in progress.

3. Publications

21. In addition to my dissertation, I co-authored “Automated Software Diversity,” released in 2015.

22. I have published 37 reviewed journal and magazine articles since 1993, and over 120 conference and workshop papers.

23. I am an inventor on six issued U.S. patents.

4. Curriculum Vitae

24. A copy of my curriculum vitae is attached as **Appendix A** to this declaration.

II. MATERIALS REVIEWED AND LEGAL STANDARDS

A. Materials Reviewed

25. I have been asked to review the Petition for IPR of Claims 1-35 of the '282 patent along with the associated patent (Ex. 1001), the prosecution history of the '282 patent (Ex. 1002), the alleged prior art relied on in Petitioner’s invalidity grounds (Ex. 1004 (Coss), Ex. 1005 (Ke)), the declaration of Petitioner’s expert, Dr. John R. Black (Ex. 1003), and other associated exhibits and provide my opinions regarding the Petition and corresponding documents. I have considered these

materials in their entirety, even if only portions are discussed here. The following is an exemplary list of materials on which I based my opinions.

Exhibit	Description
Ex. 1001	U.S. Patent No. 8,397,282 (“the ’282 patent”)
Ex. 1002	File History of the ’282 Patent
Ex. 1003	Declaration of John R. Black
Ex. 1004	U.S. Patent No. 6,154,775 (“Coss”)
Ex. 1005	U.S. Patent Application Publication No. US2003/0041266 (“Ke”)

26. I have also relied on my own experience and expertise in computer systems and computer systems security.

B. Priority Date of the Claims

27. I have been informed that a U.S. patent application may claim the benefit of the filing date of an earlier patent application if the earlier patent application disclosed each limitation of the invention claimed in the later-filed U.S. patent application. I have also been informed that priority is determined on a claim-by-claim basis so that certain claims of a patent may be entitled to the priority date of an earlier-filed patent application even if other claims of the same patent are not entitled to that priority date.

28. I have also been informed that a patented claim is invalid if the claimed invention was patented, described in a printed publication, or in public use, on sale,

or otherwise available to the public before the effective filing date of the claimed invention, or the claimed invention was described in an issued patent or a published patent application that was effectively filed before the effective filing date of the claimed invention.

29. I understand that the claims of the '282 patent claim a priority date of March 10, 2004.

C. Level of Ordinary Skill in the Art

30. I am not an attorney and offer no legal opinions. I have been informed about certain aspects of the law for purposes of my analyses and opinions.

31. I understand that in analyzing questions of invalidity and infringement, the perspective of a person having ordinary skill in the art (“POSITA”) is often implicated, and the Court may need assistance in determining that level of skill.

32. I understand that the claims and written description of a patent must be understood from the perspective of a POSITA. I have been informed that the following factors may affect the level of skill of a POSITA: (1) the educational level of the inventor; (2) the type of problems encountered in the art; (3) the prior-art solutions to those problems; (4) the rapidity with which innovations are made; (5) the sophistication of the technology; and (6) the educational level of active workers in the field. A person of ordinary skill in the art is also a person of ordinary creativity in the art.

33. For the purposes of this declaration, I have relied on the definition of a POSITA proposed by Petitioner to evaluate Petitioner's positions. I reserve the right to propose a different definition of a POSITA at a later stage of the proceeding.

34. As shown by my qualifications and my curriculum vitae attached as **Appendix A**, I am aware of the knowledge and skill possessed by a person of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the priority date of the '282 patent. In performing my analysis, I have applied the standard set forth above.

35. My level of skill in the art at the time and before the priority date of the '282 patent was at least that of a POSITA. I am qualified to provide opinions concerning what a POSITA would have known and understood at that time, and my analysis and conclusions herein are from the perspective of a POSITA as of that date.

D. Standards for Invalidity

1. Anticipation

36. I am informed and understand that a prior art reference anticipates a claim of a patent if each and every element of the claim is found either explicitly or inherently in a single prior art reference or system. I understand that inherency requires a showing that the missing descriptive matter in the claim is necessarily or implicitly present in the allegedly anticipating reference, and that a POSITA would have so recognized it. In addition, I understand that an enabling disclosure is a

disclosure that allows a POSITA to make the invention without undue experimentation.

2. Obviousness

37. I am informed and understand that a patent cannot be properly granted for subject matter that would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the alleged invention, and that a patent claim directed to such obvious subject matter is invalid under 35 U.S.C. § 103. It is also my understanding that in assessing the obviousness of claimed subject matter, one should evaluate obviousness in light of the prior art from the perspective of a person having ordinary skill in the art at the time the alleged invention was made (and not from the perspective of either a layman or a genius in that art). It is my further understanding that the question of obviousness is to be determined based on:

- The scope and content of the prior art;
- The difference or differences between the subject matter of the claim and the prior art (whereby in assessing the possibility of obviousness one should consider the manner in which a patentee and/or a Court has construed the scope of a claim);
- The level of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the alleged invention of the subject matter of the claim; and
- Any relevant objective factors (the “secondary indicia”) indicating nonobviousness, including evidence of any of the following:

commercial success of the products or methods covered by the patent claims; a long-felt need for the alleged invention; failed attempts by others to make the alleged invention; copying of the alleged invention by others in the field; unexpected results achieved by the alleged invention; praise of the alleged invention by the alleged infringer or others in the field; the taking of licenses under the patent by others and the nature of those licenses; expressions of surprise by experts and those skilled in the art at the subject matter of the claim; and whether the patentee proceeded contrary to accepted wisdom of the prior art.

- Any relevant objective factors (the “secondary indicia”) indicating obviousness: independent invention of the claimed invention by others before or at about the same time as the named inventor thought of it; and other evidence tending to show obviousness.

E. Claim Construction

38. I am informed and understand that claim terms generally are construed in accordance with the plain, ordinary and customary meaning they would have to a POSITA at the time of the invention in light of the claim language, the specification, and the prosecution history. I understand that dictionaries and other extrinsic evidence may be considered as well, though such evidence is typically regarded as less significant than the intrinsic record in determining the meaning of the claim language.

39. For the purposes of this declaration, I have interpreted all of claims and their terms under their plain an ordinary meaning. I reserve the right to propose a specific construction for any claim or claim term at a later stage of the proceeding.

40. For all terms of the challenged claims of the '282 patent, I have interpreted them as they would have been understood by a POSITA at the time of the invention, *i.e.*, March 10, 2004.

III. OVERVIEW OF THE TECHNOLOGY

41. The '282 patent describes a dynamically self-configurable firewall using a conceptual model in which network traffic is represented as flows between “nodes” along with a dynamically adaptable set of rules organized in a hierarchical structure that specify how the traffic should behave. The firewall’s chains of rules form various paths through this hierarchical structure and provide defined places for adapting the set of firewall rules during runtime without operator interaction. Adaptations include automatic insertion, deletion, and modification of rules at these defined update points. '282 patent, Abstract, Claims 1, 12 and 24.

42. As the patent explains, “[d]ynamic firewalls can monitor transient network client connections and adjust themselves to optimally serve and protect a dynamically changing network client population on both ‘sides’ of a firewall.” '282 patent, 2:35-38.

43. The hierarchical structure of the dynamically adaptable set of rules is organized into “:A” (arriving), “:M” (matrix), “:D” (departing), and “:X” (extension) subtrees, with the “X” chains acting as well-defined tap locations for dynamic updates while the firewall is running. *Id.*, 7:5-12, 7:44-8:4. The specification emphasizes that the model allows the firewall owner to “generally describe how the firewall should behave” and the requisite, specific firewall configuration is produced automatically by the system, thereby removing the need for detailed manipulation by a human operator. *Id.*, 2:50-55, 7:1-4.

44. The patent explains that “generally describing how the firewall should behave” can be done by defining “nodes” that exhibit particular sets of behaviors. Network interface devices (including virtual devices) can then be associated with one of the nodes and assigned the same behaviors/rules as all other devices in that particular node. In this way, the data flows between devices can be monitored and controlled according to the behaviors and rules of each device. *Id.*, 2:51-64.

45. Devices are explicitly moved from one node to another to change their behavior. *Id.*, 5:30-35. The process of “moving” a device from one node to another deletes existing behaviors and states and associates new ones. *Id.*, 5:40-43. New devices are introduced to the firewall by first placing them in the “Null node”, and then explicitly moving them to another node. *Id.*, 5:36-39. Devices are deleted from the system by moving them to the “Null node” and then leaving them to die (e.g., at

object cleanup). *Id.*, 5:41-43. Hence, changing the network environment during runtime of the firewall will be reflected in a change of the node configurations that are associated with general behaviors described by the firewall owner. The automated system can then automatically self-configure itself dynamically, i.e., produce the requisite specific firewall (re-)configuration without operator interaction. *Id.*, 2:50-55.

46. As I discuss below, this intricate interplay between defined “nodes” associated with behavior, network client devices moving between nodes and thereby dynamically updating their associated behavior, and dynamic self-configuration of requisite specific firewall configurations without operator interaction described in the '282 patent is very different from the system of Coss described in the Petition and is also different from Coss in view of Ke.

IV. SUMMARY OF OPINIONS

47. I have reviewed and analyzed the '282 patent.

48. Based on my review and analysis, it is my opinion that Claims 1-35 of the '282 patent are patentable over the references cited in the following grounds of the Petition.

Ground	Basis	Reference(s)	Challenged Claims
1	§ 102	Coss	1-35
2	§ 103	Coss	1-35
3	§ 103	Coss and Ke	1-35

49. It is my opinion that Coss neither anticipates independent Claims 1, 12, and 24 of the '282 patent nor renders them obvious. There are key elements of the independent claims that are missing from Coss's disclosure that (1) preclude anticipation and (2) would not have been obvious to a POSITA based on Coss's disclosure, as discussed below.

50. It is my opinion that the combination of Coss and Ke does not render independent Claims 1, 12, and 24 of the '282 patent obvious. There are claim elements missing from the combination that the Petition fails to show are disclosed, taught, suggested, or otherwise rendered obvious by the references. Further, a POSITA would not have been motivated to combine the Coss and Ke references in the way that the Petition alleges.

V. THE CHALLENGED CLAIMS ARE PATENTABLE OVER COSS ALONE OR IN COMBINATION WITH KE

A. Coss fails to anticipate or render obvious multiple claimed elements and limitations of independent Claims 1, 12, and 24 in Grounds 1 and 2

51. In my opinion, Petitioner's assertion that independent claims 1, 12, and 24 are anticipated or rendered obvious by Coss alone under pre-AIA 35 U.S.C. §§ 102 or 103 is incorrect. It is my opinion that Coss does not teach or even suggest several key features recited in the challenged claims, and therefore cannot anticipate or render them obvious. Rather than identifying each claim element and mapping it to a specific, corresponding disclosure in Coss, the Petition and the accompanying expert declaration by Dr. Black rely on conclusory, ipse dixit assertions. In my technical assessment, the Petition either ignores numerous required elements or proposes opaque and incorrect mappings. For brevity, I highlight only a few of the most significant deficiencies below.

1. Coss does not disclose teach, suggest, or render obvious limitations 1[a], 12[c][i], and 24[a] of Claims 1, 12, and 24, respectively.

52. Coss does not disclose or teach at least the "defining at least one node" feature in claim element limitations 1[a], 12[c][i], and 24[a] of Claims 1, 12, and 24, respectively; an example is shown below:

1[a]: "defining at least one node, wherein the at least one node is associated with two or more network interfaces."

53. In Coss, the term “domain” refers to a specific subpart of a network topology. For example, in Coss’s Figure 1 and Figure 6, the overall network topology is partitioned into domains which have separate regions of the IP space.

54. Conversely, in the ’282 patent, a “node” refers to a logical concept for modeling behaviors. A “node” can have any number of services or devices, and devices are explicitly moved from one node to another to change their behavior. ’282 patent, 5:30-35. A “service” is a set of rules that operate on packets in a very specific way (e.g., masquerading outgoing packets, or capturing incoming packets). *Id.*, 9:3-5. A device can be moved from one node to another. The process of “moving” a device from one node to another deletes existing behaviors and states and associates new ones. *Id.*, 5:39-43. The ’282 patent teaches that new devices are introduced to the firewall by first placing them in the “Null node”, which has no services (behaviors), and then explicitly moving them to another node. *Id.*, 5:36-39.

55. Coss does not teach “defining” nodes or “associating them with devices” by “moving” the devices to the node, because Coss doesn’t use nodes. Its concept of a “domain” (which Petitioner maps onto “node”) reflects an aspect of network topology. Coss refers to “user sites or domains” in Fig 1, and to “security domains” in Ex1004, 1:36. A POSITA would have understood that managing the flow of information between (sub-)domains is exactly what a traditional firewall is supposed to do. A POSITA would also have understood that this is fundamentally different

from “nodes” described in the ’282 patent, which is a logical concept related to behavior and among which devices are moved to change their behavior.

56. The ’282 patent introduces nodes as a way of associating devices with behaviors, which occurs when the device is “moved” to the node. Nodes and their associated behaviors form part of an automated system that enables a firewall owner to “generally describe how the firewall should behave, and the automated system can automatically produce the requisite, specific firewall configuration, without detailed manipulation by a human operator.” ’282 patent, 2:50-55.

57. Coss does not disclose, teach, suggest, or render obvious the concept of such a “node.” Coss refers to the well-known concepts of “domain” and “security domain” in a manner that would have been familiar to a POSITA at the time of Coss.

2. **Coss does not disclose, teach, suggest, or render obvious at least the “self configuration during runtime without operator interaction” feature in limitations 1[d], 12[b], and 24[d] of Claims 1, 12, and 24, respectively.**

58. Coss does not disclose or teach at least the “self-configuration during runtime without operator interaction” feature in claim element limitations 1[d], 12[b], and 24[d] of Claims 1, 12, and 24, respectively; an example is shown below:

1[d]: “wherein the set of firewall rules is dynamically self-configurable during runtime without operator interaction.”

59. Petitioner equates “*dynamically self-configurable during runtime without operator interaction*” with a disclosure by Coss that “dynamic rules can be

loaded at any time by ... a trusted application.” Petition at 19. But a trusted application is an agent acting on behalf of a human operator and might very well be considered an “operator” itself. Conversely, the ’282 patent uses the language of “*self-configurable*,” not just in the claim language, but also in other places in the patent, such as: “Dynamic firewalls can monitor transient network client connections and adjust **themselves** to optimally serve and protect a dynamically changing network client population on both ‘sides’ of a firewall.” ’282 patent, 2:35-38; “[T]he automated system can automatically produce the requisite, specific firewall configuration”, based on a general description of how the firewall should behave. *Id.*, 2:50-55. In my opinion, one of the innovations described in the patent is that this behavior can be modeled using “nodes” —as devices move between nodes, their behavior changes. Then, “the automated system can automatically produce the requisite, specific firewall configuration” – i.e., automatically self-reconfigure.

60. This automatic self-configuration based on a general description of “how the firewall should behave” is clearly different from using a trusted application (acting as an agent of a human “operator” or being an “operator” all in itself) in Coss. A POSITA would have clearly understood that Coss teaches third-party configuration changes while the ’282 patent teaches “self”-configuration and reconfiguration.

61. Hence, Coss does not disclose, teach, suggest, or render obvious the concept of such a “*self-configuration during runtime without operator interaction.*”

3. Coss does not disclose, teach, suggest, or render obvious at least the claimed “hierarchical structure” in limitations 1[d], 12[b], and 24[d] of Claims 1, 12, and 24, respectively.

62. Coss does not disclose or teach at least the “hierarchical structure” feature in claim element limitations 1[d], 12[b], and 24[d] of Claims 1, 12, and 24, respectively; an example is shown below:

1[d]: “wherein the set of firewall rules comprises a plurality of chains of rules forming various paths through a hierarchical structure, and wherein the hierarchical structure comprises defined places for dynamically updating the set of firewall rules during runtime.”

63. Petitioner appears to have misunderstood the nature of the hierarchical structure in the ’282 patent. Indeed, on page 5 of the Petition, Petitioner asserts that “within the firewall itself, the rules are expressed as ‘dynamic chains of rules’ which the specification defines as ‘serialized sequences of one or more rules.’” Petition at 5. But here the Petitioner merely cites to the dynamic chains of rules that “tap” into the main firewall chains and then goes to the definition of a “chain.” *Id.*

64. In contrast to this, the ’282 patent contains a description along with several very detailed examples of a **hierarchical** structure:

“In any tree structure, there are ultimately “leaves” of the tree, from which there are no child nodes. FIG.

2 demonstrates leaf chains, which have suffixes that indicate how they behave. “:Accept” chains, such as that represented at **210**, have rules with ACCEPT targets. When a packet matches an ACCEPT target, the **packet immediately jumps out of the current sub-tree**, and moves to the next.” ’282 patent, 8:5-21 (emphasis added).

“:Pass” chains, such as that represented at **214**, have rules with RETURN targets, and a single DROP target at the end. A RETURN target causes the packet to jump out of the current chain and resume its path through the “**calling**” chain.” *Id.*, 8:29-33 (emphasis added).

“:Skip” chains (e.g., shown at 220) are like pass chains, these chains have rules with RETURN targets. Unlike pass chains, skip chains have something other than a DROP target at the end. Each rule other than the final one describes packets that should skip whatever processing the final rule offers. Packets that match none of the RETURN rules are processed by the final rule. Since the final rule must stay at the end of the chain, new rules, according to one embodiment, must be inserted, rather than appended.” *Id.*, 8:57-65.

65. Clearly, these are not merely “flat” serialized sequences connected via jumps from one chain to another, but this also includes the concepts of “calling” and “returning,” enabling the set of firewall rules to form various **paths through a hierarchical structure**. Within this hierarchical structure, the ’282 patent outlines specific “tap locations,” i.e., defined places for dynamically updating the set of firewall rules during runtime.

66. Conversely, Petitioner equates “*a plurality of chains of rules forming various paths through a hierarchical structure*” with “rules are applied sequentially.” See Petition at 19-20. In my opinion, that is a misrepresentation of the invention described in the ’282 patent, which describes a “call” and “return” mechanism that is clearly not sequential but includes **hierarchical rule processing flow with call/return semantics (a pushdown automaton)**:

“A RETURN target causes the packet to jump out of the current chain and resume its path through the “**calling**” chain.” ’282 patent, 8:29-33 (emphasis added).

67. Hence, not only does Coss does not disclose, teach, suggest, or render obvious the concept of such a “*hierarchical structure,*” but the Petitioner apparently even misinterprets the specific teaching of the ’282 patent when it comes to this required claim element.

B There is no motivation to combine Coss and Ke and the combination doesn’t cure the cited deficiencies of Coss

68. Petitioner’s Ground 3 depends on Coss in view of Ke to overcome the fact that the “*defining a node*” disclosure in the ’282 patent’s claims (and indeed even the concept of a “node” itself) are missing from Coss (see above with respect to claim limitations 1[a], 12[c][i], and 24[a]). Ke is generally directed at performing firewall and routing functionality on data packets at the level of a virtual local area network (VLAN). See e.g., Ex. 1005, Abstract.

69. Petitioner uses Ke’s disclosure of VLAN domains to equate Ke’s “configuring an Internet security system” with the ’282 patent’s “defining” nodes. *See* Petition at 46. But Ke doesn’t teach “*defining*” nodes that model the behavior of services and devices, nor does it teach “moving” devices between nodes to change their behavior. Even if a POSITA would find themselves in simultaneous possession of both Coss and Ke, they would still not discover or anticipate or find obvious the concept of a “*node*” as taught in the ’282 patent, nor would it have been obvious how to combine these references without undue experimentation, or even why one would want to combine these references in the first place. Coss in view of Ke does not disclose, teach, suggest, or render obvious the concept of “*defining a node*” because neither Coss or Ke discloses, teaches, suggests, or renders obvious the concept of a “node.”

70. Notwithstanding the fact that even the combination of the two references doesn’t produce any of the missing claim elements discussed in Sections A.1 through A.3 above, I cannot think of any motivation to combine these two references—even hindsight doesn’t appear to produce much discernible benefit here. Coss teaches a multi-domain firewall system while Ke teaches a virtual system. But neither of them individually or in combination teaches an “automated system [that] can automatically produce the requisite, specific firewall configuration” (’282 patent, 2:50-54), based on a general description of how the firewall should behave by

modeling the behavior of services and devices using “*nodes*.” I can quite unequivocally state that making the leap from Coss alone or Coss and Ke in combination to the inventive concepts of the ’282 patent would far exceed the skills of a POSITA.

VI. CONCLUSION

71. I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; that these statements were made with knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. § 1001; and further that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon. I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on 1/19/2026.



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APPENDIX A

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Major Research Emphases

- Secure and trustworthy computing. Critical cyber-infrastructure protection. Software security. Computer systems security. Language-based security. Information flow. System-level end-to-end security properties. Moving target defenses, automatically generated software diversity, n-variant systems.
- Software execution environments. Compilers, virtual machines, and machine code generation and optimization. On-the-fly, feedback-directed and continuous compilation and optimization; binary translation; trace-based compilation. Code generation for embedded systems, heterogeneous architectures, and mobile computing; compiling for low power consumption. Automatic parallelization. Memory management.
- Software Engineering. Software architectures for secure systems; minimizing the trusted code base. Software reliability and robustness. Software performance estimation.

Education

*Doctor of Technical Sciences, ETH Zürich, Switzerland; February 1994
Dissertation Title: “Code-Generation On-the-Fly: A Key to Portable Software”
Advisor: Niklaus Wirth*

Diplomingenieur, ETH Zürich; May 1989

Academic Appointments

2025 – present ***Distinguished Professor and ICS Alumni Professor***
2022 – 2025 ***Distinguished Professor***
2016 – 2022 ***Chancellor’s Professor***
2006 – present *Professor of Computer Science (with tenure)*
2001 – 2006 *Associate Professor (with tenure)*
1996 – 2001 *Assistant Professor*
Department of Computer Science (since January 2003)
Department of Information and Computer Science (until January 2003)
The Donald Bren School of Information & Computer Sciences
University of California, Irvine
2007 – present *Professor of Electrical Engineering & Computer Science (by courtesy)*
Department of Electrical Engineering & Computer Science
The Henry Samueli School of Engineering
University of California, Irvine
1994 – 1995 *Senior Research Associate (“Oberassistent”) and Lecturer*
Institut für Computersysteme
ETH Zürich, Switzerland

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Visiting Appointments

April – July 2025	<i>Visiting Researcher</i> (on sabbatical from UC Irvine) Technical University of Berlin, Germany (Host: Prof. Dr. Jean-Pierre Seifert)
April – December 2023	<i>Visiting Researcher</i> (on sabbatical from UC Irvine) Technical University of Berlin, Germany (Host: Prof. Dr. Jean-Pierre Seifert)
June 2019 – June 2022	<i>Guest Professor</i> (partially on sabbatical from UC Irvine) Technical University of Braunschweig, Germany (Host: Prof. Dr. Ina Schäfer)
June – December 2019	<i>Visiting Researcher</i> (on sabbatical from UC Irvine) Technical University of Berlin, Germany (Host: Prof. Dr. Jean-Pierre Seifert)
August 2010 – September 2011	<i>Visiting Professor</i> (on sabbatical from UC Irvine) ETH Zurich, Switzerland (Host: Prof. Dr. Thomas Gross)
January – September 2002	<i>Visiting Researcher</i> (on sabbatical from UC Irvine) University of California, Berkeley (Host: Prof. Dr. George Necula)
Summer Semester 2000	<i>Visiting Professor</i> University of Klagenfurt, Austria (Host: Prof. Dr. Laszlo Böszörményi)
Summer Semester 1998	<i>Visiting Professor</i> University of Ulm, Germany (Host: Prof. Dr. Peter Schulthess)

Major Professional Honors

- I have been awarded an *European Research Council (ERC) Advanced Grant (ADG)* of €2.5 Million, a lump-sum grant for a five year period starting 1st July 2026. ERC ADGs are “awarded to exceptional leaders in terms of originality and significance of their research contributions” and “give senior researchers the opportunity to pursue ambitious, curiosity-driven projects that could lead to major scientific breakthroughs;” 2025.
- *ACM Charles P. “Chuck” Thacker Breakthrough in Computing Award, Association for Computing Machinery (ACM)*, “for the development of just-in-time compilation techniques that enabled fast and feature-rich web services on the internet.” This personal award of \$100,000 recognizes “individuals who have made a surprising or disruptive leapfrog in computing ideas or technologies;” 2020.
- *Fellow, American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS)*, “for distinguished contributions to computer science, particularly to the areas of just-in-time compilation and optimization and techniques for computer security;” 2019.
- *Inaugural Fellow, International Federation for Information Processing (IFIP)*. The Fellow Award recognizes individuals of the highest professional standing and expertise in one of IFIP’s constituent societies (which includes ACM) who have also contributed directly to IFIP. Established in 1960 under the auspices of UNESCO, IFIP is the global organisation for researchers and professionals working in the field of information and communication technologies. IFIP is recognised by the United Nations and links some 50 national and international societies and academies of science with a total membership of over half a million professionals. 2019.
- *Humboldt Research Award, Alexander von Humboldt Foundation*. This personal award of €60,000 is granted in recognition of a researcher’s entire achievements to date to academics whose fundamental discoveries, new theories, or insights have had a significant impact on their own discipline and who are expected to continue producing cutting-edge achievements in the future; 2018.
- *Fellow, Association for Computing Machinery (ACM)*, “for contributions to just-in-time compilation and optimization and to compiler techniques for computer security;” 2015.
- *Fellow, The Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE)*, “for contributions to just-in-time compilation and to computer security through compiler-generated software diversity;” 2015.

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- *IEEE Computer Society Technical Achievement Award*, 2012, “for pioneering contributions to just-in-time compilation and optimization and significantly advancing Web application technology.”
- *University of California, Irvine, Distinguished Mid-Career Faculty Award for Research*, 2010. This is the Academic Senate’s highest honor for research. One such award at most is given yearly to an Assistant Professor, one to an Associate or Full Professor Step I-IV (the “Mid-Career Award”), and one to a Professor Step V or higher.
- *National Science Foundation CAREER Award*, 1997.
- *Fulbright Scholarship*, 1989.

Teaching Honors

- *Dean’s Award for Graduate Student Mentoring*, Donald Bren School of Information and Computer Sciences, UC Irvine, awarded three times in 2007, 2016, and 2022.
- *Outstanding Professor of the Year Award*, Graduating Class of 2007, UC Irvine.

Institutional Affiliations

- Director, *Secure Systems and Software Laboratory*, Donald Bren School of Information and Computer Sciences, UC Irvine; since September 2007.
- Charter Faculty Member, *The California Institute for Telecommunications and Information Technology (Cal-(IT)²*, one of four California Institutes for Science and Technology.
- Charter Faculty Member, *Security Computing and Networking Center (SCoNCe)* (previously named *Center for Cyber-Security and Privacy*), Donald Bren School of Information and Computer Sciences, UC Irvine.

Noteworthy Contributions With Wide Impact

I am the co-inventor (with my former Ph.D. student Andreas Gal) of the “Trace Tree” compilation technique, which has been transitioned successfully from academic research into one of the most widely distributed open-source projects. From version 3.5 (June 2009) onwards, the JavaScript engine in *Mozilla’s Firefox* browser has been based directly on my academic research (see publication C.58).

Furthermore, since version 4.0 (March 2011), the *Firefox* browser additionally contains the “Compartmental Memory Manager” developed in collaboration between my lab and Mozilla (see publication C.69). No fewer than four of my former students with completed Ph.D.s are now employed full-time at Mozilla.

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Research Funding

Current Grants and Awards

- *DARPA I2O Small Business Technology Transfer (STTR) Program*, 140D04-23-C-0070, “Robust Sandboxing and Lifting of ELF Binaries—Sequential Phase II,” 1st October 2023 – 14th March 2026, \$404,958 (**sole PI** on sub-award from prime contractor Immunant, Inc.). PMs Dr. Sergey Bratus / Dr. Daniel Wallach.

Past Grants and Awards

- *DARPA*, 140D04-23-C-0063, “Patches Assured up to Trace Equivalence (PATE) Transition,” 14th August 2023 – 7th April 2025, \$585,964 (**sole PI** on sub-award from prime contractor Galois, Inc. / Ben Davis). PMs Dr. Sergey Bratus / Dr. Daniel Wallach.
- *DARPA I2O Small Business Technology Transfer (STTR) Program*, W31P4Q-20-C-0052, “IA2: Intent-Capturing Annotations for Isolation and Assurance—Phase II Option,” 15th July 2023 – 14th July 2024, \$152,716 (**sole PI** on sub-award from prime contractor Immunant, Inc.). PMs Dr. Sergey Bratus / Dr. Daniel Wallach.
- *Office of Naval Research*, N00014-21-1-2409, “HONEY-MON: Combining Survivability with Cyber Deception;” 1st May 2021 – 30th April 2024, \$998,870 (**sole PI**). PM Dr. Daniel Koller.
- *Office of Naval Research*, N00014-22-1-2232, “Attack Surface Reduction for Binary Programs BinRec Transition;” 1st March 2022 – 30th September 2023, \$200,000 (**sole PI**). PMs Dr. Samuel M. Weber / Dr. Ryan Craven.
- *DARPA I2O Small Business Technology Transfer (STTR) Program*, W31P4Q-20-C-0052, “IA2: Intent-Capturing Annotations for Isolation and Assurance—Phase II,” 15th July 2021 – 14th July 2023, \$306,075 (**sole PI** on sub-award from prime contractor Immunant, Inc.). PM Dr. Sergey Bratus.
- *DARPA, Assured Micropatching (AMP) Program*, N66001-20-C-4027, “Patches Assured up to Trace Equivalence (PATE);” 15th July 2020 – 14th January 2022, \$897,378 (**sole PI** on sub-award from prime contractor Galois, Inc. / Tristan Ravitch). PM Dr. Sergey Bratus.
- *Office of Naval Research*, N00014-17-1-2782, “Attack Surface Reduction for Binary Programs;” 30th September 2017 – 30th September 2021, \$3,157,799 (**lead PI**. This is a collaborative award with Herbert Bos of Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam, Netherlands. My share of the award is \$2,337,935). PM Dr. Sukarno Mertoguno.
- *DARPA I2O Small Business Technology Transfer (STTR) Program*, W31P4Q-20-C-0052, “IA2: Intent-Capturing Annotations for Isolation and Assurance—Phase I,” 1st September 2020 – 31st March 2021, \$67,500 (**sole PI** on sub-award from prime contractor Immunant, Inc.). PM Dr. Sergey Bratus.
- *National Science Foundation, Secure & Trustworthy Cyberspace (SaTC) Program*, CNS-1619211, “TWC:Small: Hydra—Hybrid Defenses for Resilient Applications: Practical Approaches Towards Defense In Depth;” 1st July 2016 – 30th June 2020, \$499,981 (**sole PI**). PM Dr. Sol J. Greenspan.
- *United States Air Force & Air Force Research Laboratory*, FA8750-16-C-0260, “Thunderlane Phase II;” 1st September 2018 – 12th March 2020, \$457,672 (**sole PI** on sub-award for \$457,672 from prime contractor Assured Information Security, Inc. / Adam Hovak).
- *DARPA, Cyber Fault-tolerant Attack Recovery (CFAR) Program*, FA8750-15-C-0124, “Robust, Assured Diversity for Software Security (RADSS).” In August of 2017, **award was increased by \$217,597** and the duration extended to the end of March 2019. The modified award now runs 13th May 2015 – 31st March 2019, \$2,199,227 (**sole PI** on sub-award for \$2,199,227 from prime contractor Galois, Inc. / Stephen Magill). PMs Dr. John Everett and Dr. Jacob Torrey.
- *United States Air Force & Air Force Research Laboratory*, FA8750-16-C-0260, “Thunderlane;” 19th September 2016 – 24th May 2017, \$45,000 (**sole PI** on sub-award for \$45,000 from prime contractor Assured Information Security, Inc. / Philip White).

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- *National Science Foundation, Secure & Trustworthy Cyberspace (SaTC) Program*, CNS-1513837, “ENCORE—ENhanced program protection through COMPiler-REwriter cooperation;” 1st July 2015 – 30th June 2018, \$1,199,953 (**lead PI**. This was a collaborative award with Matthias Payer of Purdue University and Kevin Hamlen of The University of Texas at Dallas. My share of the award was \$619,267.) PM Dr. Sol J. Greenspan.
- *DARPA, Cyber Fault-tolerant Attack Recovery (CFAR) Program*, FA8750-15-C-0124, “Robust, Assured Diversity for Software Security (RADSS);” 13th May 2015 – 1st November 2018, \$1,975,630 (**sole PI** on sub-award for \$1,975,630 from prime contractor Galois, Inc. / Stephen Magill). PM Dr. John Everett.
- *DARPA, Cyber Fault-tolerant Attack Recovery (CFAR) Program*, FA8750-15-C-0085, “RAVEN;” 5th May 2015 – 31st March 2019, \$702,271 (**sole PI** on sub-award for \$702,271 from prime contractor Apogee Research, LLC / Tiffany Frazier). PM Dr. John Everett.
- *DARPA, I2O Vetting Commodity IT Software and Firmware (VET) Program*, N66001-13-C-4057, “Heterogeneous Compilations for Detection of Malice in Embedded Systems;” 1st February 2015 – 30th June 2015, \$64,999 (**sole PI** on sub-award for \$64,999 from prime contractor Apogee Research, LLC / Tiffany Frazier). PM Dr. Timothy Fraser.
- *National Science Foundation, Computing and Communications Foundations Program*, IIP-1439439, “I-Corps: Hardening Programs Against Cyber Attacks;” 1st June 2014 – 30th November 2015, \$50,000 (**sole PI**). PM Dr. Rathinda Dasgupta.
- *DARPA, I2O Clean-Slate Design of Resilient, Secure Hosts (CRASH) Program & Transformative Apps Program*, D11PC20024, “Defending Mobile Apps Through Automated Software Diversity.” In May of 2014, award was increased by \$247,830 and duration extended to 30th September 2015. The modified award now runs 4th February 2011 – 30th September 2015, \$2,095,432 (**sole PI**). PMs Dr. Howard Shrobe and Dr. Robert Laddaga.
- *DARPA, I2O Mission-Oriented Resilient Clouds (MRC) Program*, N66001124014, “Meta-Circular Software Diversity for Intrusion Tolerant Clouds;” 1st July 2012 – 31st October 2015, \$456,809 (**sole PI** on this sub-award for \$456,809, which is part of a larger project led by Yair Amir awarded to Johns Hopkins University). PMs Dr. Howard Shrobe and Dr. Robert Laddaga.
- *DARPA, I2O Clean-Slate Design of Resilient, Secure Hosts (CRASH) Program & Transformative Apps Program*, D11PC20024, “Defending Mobile Apps Through Automated Software Diversity.” In June of 2012, award was increased by \$467,442 and duration extended by an additional year. Modified award now runs 4th February 2011 – 3rd February 2015, \$1,847,602 (**sole PI**). PMs Dr. Howard Shrobe, Dr. Robert Laddaga, and Dr. Mari Maeda.
- *National Science Foundation, Computing and Communications Foundations Program*, CCF-1117162, “SHF: CSR: Small: Fine-Grained Modularity and Reuse of VM Components;” 1st August 2011 – 31st July 2014, \$499,867 (**sole PI**). PM Dr. Bill Pugh.
- *DARPA, Clean-Slate Design of Resilient, Secure Hosts (CRASH) Program & Transformative Apps Program*, D11PC20024, “Defending Mobile Apps Through Automated Software Diversity;” 4th February 2011 – 3rd February 2014, \$1,380,162 (**sole PI**). PMs Dr. Howard Shrobe and Dr. Mari Maeda.
- *Samsung Telecommunications America*, Richardson, Texas, Agreement No. 51070, “Fine-Grained Modularity and Reuse of Virtual-Machine Components;” 1st January 2011 – 31st December 2011, \$349,965 (**sole PI**). PM Venky Raju.
- *National Science Foundation, Trusted Computing Program*, CNS-0905684, “Next-Generation Infrastructure for Trustworthy Web Applications;” 1st September 2009 – 31st August 2012, \$600,000 (**lead PI**, award is split evenly with co-PI C. Flanagan of UC Santa Cruz). PM Dr. Karl Levitt.
- *California MICRO Program* and industrial sponsor *Sun Microsystems, Inc.*, Project No. 07-127, “Trace Compilation for a Server Java Virtual Machine;” 24th August 2007 – 30th June 2009, \$81,500 (\$50,000 gift from sponsor, \$31,500 matching cash contribution from MICRO, waiver of overhead charges applies to the total grant amount; **sole PI**).

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- *National Intelligence Community, Enterprise Cyber Assurance Program (NICECAP)*, FA8750-07-2-0085, “Leveraging Parallel Hardware to Detect, Quarantine, and Repair Malicious Code Injection,” 17th May 2007 – 17th August 2009, \$1,020,375 (**sole PI**). PM Dr. Carl Landwehr. (This solicitation drew 265 responses, of which 11, including this one, were funded. Among the 11 funded projects, 4 were from M.I.T. and one each from Carnegie-Mellon, Columbia, Cornell, Stanford, and UT Austin. UC Irvine was the only university in the competition to receive a grant awarded to a sole Principal Investigator.)
- *National Science Foundation, Trusted Computing Program*, CNS-0627747, “MLS-VM: Design and Implementation of a Next-Generation Information-Centric Target Platform for Trusted Internet Computing,” 1st September 2006 – 31st August 2010, \$400,000 (**sole PI**). PM Dr. Helen Gill.
- *National Science Foundation, Embedded and Hybrid Systems Program*, CNS-0615443, “Virtual-Machine Techniques for Resource-Constrained Devices: Reconciling Reliability With Reusability and Low Development Costs in the Embedded Systems Space,” 1st July 2006 – 30th June 2010, \$300,000 (**sole PI**). PM Dr. Helen Gill.
- *United States Homeland Security Advanced Research Projects Agency (HSARPA)*, FA8750-05-2-0216, “Adding Mandatory Access Control to Virtual Machines”, 2nd May 2005 – 1st November 2007, \$312,483 (**sole PI**). PM Dr. Douglas Maughan. (My proposal was the only one of 80 submissions in the category “Vulnerability Prevention” that got funded by DHS. Overall, the Homeland Security solicitation drew 583 responses, of which 17, including this one, were funded.)
- *California MICRO Program* and industrial sponsor *Microsoft Research*, Project No. 04-032, “Executing Legacy Machine Code on a Safe Virtual Machine,” 11th August 2004 – 30th June 2005, \$46,881 (waiver of overhead charges applies to the total grant amount; **sole PI**).
- *Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (DFG)* [German National Science Foundation], AM-150/1-3, “SafeTSA: Entwicklung syntaxorientierter Verfahren zur sicheren und effizienten Ausführung von mobilem Code,” 1st March 2004 – 28th February 2006, Euro 140,000 (equal co-PI with W. Amme and W. Rossak of the University of Jena, Germany). (This is a new grant that provides continuing support for an earlier DFG-funded research project listed below.)
- *National Science Foundation, Information Technology Research (ITR)*, CCR-0205712, “Virtual Power for a Wireless Campus: Orchestrated Modeling, Analysis, Composition and Compilation Strategies for Distributed Embedded Systems,” 1st September 2002 – 31st August 2005, \$2,000,796 (**lead PI** with C. Krintz and R. Wolski of UC Santa Barbara). PM Dr. Helen Gill. (Award is split \$500,000 to Franz, Krintz and Wolski each, with a further \$500,000 going to an internal sub-contract at UC Irvine with Senior Personnel P. Chou, N. Dutt, and T. Givargis.)
- *National Science Foundation, Trusted Computing Program*, CCR-TC-0209163, “Practical Language-Based Security, From the Ground Up,” 1st August 2002 – 31st July 2005, \$300,000 (**sole PI**). PM Dr. Carl Landwehr.
- *DARPA Information Systems Office*, F30602-99-1-0536, “New Approaches to Mobile Code: Reconciling Execution Efficiency With Provable Security,” follow-on effort, 22nd June 2002 – 30th September 2003, additional \$207,632 (**sole PI**). PM Dr. Jaynarayan H. Lala.
- *Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (DFG)* [German National Science Foundation], AM-150/1-1, “SafeTSA: Entwicklung syntaxorientierter Verfahren zur sicheren und effizienten Ausführung von mobilem Code,” 23rd August 2001 – 1st February 2004, Euro 135,000 [corresponding to 270,000 Deutsche Marks] (equal Co-PI with W. Amme and W. Rossak of the University of Jena, Germany).
- *National Science Foundation, Operating Systems and Compilers Program*, CCR-0105710, “Design and Implementation of Component-Oriented Programming Languages,” 1st July 2001 – 30th June 2004, \$240,000 (**sole PI**). PM Dr. Xiaodong Zhang.
- *Department of Defense, Critical Infrastructure Protection and High Confidence, Adaptable Software (CIP/SW) Research Program of the University Research Initiative*, N00014-01-1-0854, “A Comprehensive Context for Mobile-Code Deployment,” 1st May 2001 – 30th September 2004, \$981,121, (**lead PI** with B. Fleisch of UC Riverside). PMs Frank Deckelman and Dr. Ralph Wachter. (Award is split \$793,201 to Franz and \$187,920 to Fleisch. According to the ONR website, “the competition drew 115 white papers, from which 74 proposals were received. After a thorough evaluation by technical expert teams, 20 of these proposals were selected for funding.”)

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- *National Science Foundation, Next Generation Software Program*, EIA-9975053, “TMO Based Modeling and Design of Reliable Next-Generation Complex Software,” 15th August 1999 – 14th August 2002, \$550,000 (with K. Kim, Principal Investigator, and P. C.-Y. Sheu, Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering, UC Irvine). PM Dr. Frederica Darema. (\$117,000 of the total allocated to co-PI Franz.)
- *National Science Foundation, Operating Systems and Compilers Program*, CCR-9901689, “Graph-Based Mobile-Code Representations for High-Performance Portable Software,” 1st September 1999 – 31st August 2002, \$180,000 (**sole PI**). PM Dr. Mukesh Singhal.
- *California MICRO Program* and industrial sponsor *Microsoft Research*, Project No. 99-039, “An Infrastructure for Dynamic Optimization at Run-Time,” 2nd August 1999 – 30th June 2000, \$38,000 (waiver of overhead charges applies to the total grant amount; **sole PI**).
- *DARPA Information Systems Office*, F30602-99-1-0536, “New Approaches to Mobile Code: Reconciling Execution Efficiency With Provable Security,” 22nd June 1999 – 21st June 2002, \$720,741 (**sole PI**). PM Dr. Jaynarayan H. Lala.
- *National Science Foundation CAREER Award*, CCR-9701400, “Dynamic Optimization of Software Component Systems,” 1st March 1997 – 28th February 2001, \$205,000 (**sole PI**).

Supplementary Awards

- National Science Foundation, Research Experiences for Undergraduates (REU) Award Supplement for Grant CNS-0905684, Summer 2011, \$16,000.
- National Science Foundation, Research Experiences for Undergraduates (REU) Award Supplement for Grant CNS-0905684, Summer 2010, \$8,000.
- National Science Foundation, Research Experiences for Undergraduates (REU) Award Supplement for Grant CNS-0627747, Summer 2007, \$6,000.
- National Science Foundation, Research Experiences for Undergraduates (REU) Award Supplement for Grant CNS-0615443, Summer 2007, \$6,000.
- National Science Foundation, Research Experiences for Undergraduates (REU) Award Supplement for Grant CCR-0205712, Summer 2004, \$6,000.
- National Science Foundation, Research Experiences for Undergraduates (REU) Award Supplement for Grant CCR-0205712, Summer 2003, \$10,000.
- National Science Foundation, Research Experiences for Undergraduates (REU) Award Supplement for Grant CCR-9701400, Summer 1998, \$5,000.

Unrestricted Gifts

- Oracle Corporation, \$100,000; May 2016.
- Qualcomm Corporation, \$40,000; May 2015.
- Oracle Corporation, \$140,000; August 2014.
- Mozilla Corporation, \$83,000; August 2014.
- Oracle Corporation, \$33,000; September 2013.
- Adobe Corporation, \$25,000; August 2011.
- Google Corporation, \$61,000; June 2011.
- Adobe Corporation, \$35,000; August 2010.

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- Adobe Corporation, \$40,000; March 2010.
- Mozilla Corporation, \$85,000; December 2009.
- Sun Microsystems, \$80,000; May 2009.
- Google Corporation, \$50,000; January 2008.
- Mozilla Corporation, \$85,000; May 2007.
- Intel Corporation, \$30,000; April 2006.
- Intel Corporation, \$30,000; June 2005.
- Sun Microsystems Laboratories, \$56,031; September 2004
- Intel Corporation, \$30,000; July 2004.
- Microsoft Research, \$33,183, April 2004.

Other Gifts

- Amazon Corporation., \$18,000 in Amazon Web Services credit; September 2012.

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Publications

Awarded Patents

- P.6 P. Larsen (lead), S. Brunthaler, and M. Franz; *Error Report Normalization*; United States Patent No. 10,430,265; filed October 2015, issued October 2019.
- P.5 M. Franz (lead), A. Homescu, S. Brunthaler, and P. Larsen; *Code Randomization for Just-In-Time Compilers*; United States Patent No. 9,250,937; filed November 2014, issued February 2016.
- P.4 A. Gal (lead) and M. Franz; *Dynamic Incremental Compiler and Method*; United States Patent No. 8,769,511; filed February 2007, issued July 2014.
- P.3 M. Franz (lead), W. Amme, and J. von Ronne; *Safe Computer Code Formats And Methods For Generating Safe Computer Code*; United States Patent No. 8,392,897; filed August 2006, issued March 2013.
- P.2 M. Franz (lead), A. Gal, and B. Salamat; *Multi-Variant Parallel Program Execution to Detect Malicious Code Injection*; United States Patent No. 8,239,8367 B1; filed March 2008, issued August 2012.
- P.1 M. Franz (lead), W. Amme, and J. von Ronne; *Safe Computer Code Formats And Methods For Generating Safe Computer Code*; United States Patent No. 7,117,488; filed October 2001, issued October 2006.

Books

- B.2 P. Larsen, S. Brunthaler, L. Davi, A.-R. Sadeghi, and M. Franz; *Automated Software Diversity*; Morgan & Claypool, San Rafael, California, ISBN 978-1-6270-5734-9 (paperback), ISBN 978-1-6270-5755-4 (ebook); December 2015. doi:10.2200/S00686ED1V01Y201512SPT014
- B.1 M. Franz; *Code-Generation On-the-Fly: A Key to Portable Software*, Doctoral Dissertation No. 10497, ETH Zürich; published in book form by Verlag der Fachvereine, Zürich, ISBN 3-7281-2115-0; March 1994.

Edited Volumes

- E.1 M. Franz and P. Papadimitratos (Eds.); *Trust and Trustworthy Computing (Proceedings of the 9th International Conference, TRUST 2016 Vienna, Austria, August 29–30, 2016)*; Springer, Heidelberg, ISBN 978-3-319-45571-6 (paperback), ISBN 978-3-319-45572-3 (ebook); August 2016. doi:10.1007/978-3-319-45572-3

Peer-Reviewed Book Chapters

- BC.10 S. Crane, A. Homescu, P. Larsen, H. Okhravi, and M. Franz; “Diversity and Information Leaks;” in P. Larsen and A.-R. Sadeghi (Eds.), *The Continuing Arms Race: Code-Reuse Attacks and Defenses*, ACM Books, Vol. 18, Morgan & Claypool Publishers, ISBN 978-1-97000-183-9, pp. 61–81; 2018. doi:10.1145/3129743.3129747
- BC.9 T. Jackson, A. Homescu, S. Crane, P. Larsen, S. Brunthaler, and M. Franz; “Diversifying the Software Stack Using Randomized NOP Insertion;” in S. Jajodia, A. K. Ghosh, V. S. Subrahmanian, V. Swarup, C. Wang, X. S. Wang (Eds.), *Moving Target Defense II: Application of Game Theory and Adversarial Modeling*, Springer Advances in Information Security, Vol. 100, ISBN 978-1-4614-5415-1, pp. 151–174; 2013. doi:DOI 10.1007/978-1-4614-5416-8_8
- BC.8 T. Jackson, B. Salamat, A. Homescu, K. Manivannan, G. Wagner, A. Gal, S. Brunthaler, Ch. Wimmer, and M. Franz; “Compiler-Generated Software Diversity;” in S. Jajodia, A.K. Ghosh, V. Swarup, C. Wang, and X.S. Wang (Eds.), *Moving Target Defense: Creating Asymmetric Uncertainty for Cyber Threats*; Springer, ISBN 978-1-4614-0976-2, pp. 77–98; September 2011. doi:10.1007/978-1-4614-0977-9_4
- BC.7 M. Franz, W. Amme, M. Beers, N. Dalton, P.H. Fröhlich, V. Haldar, A. Hartmann, P. S. Housel, F. Reig, J. von Ronne, Ch.H. Stork, and S. Zhenochin; “Making Mobile Code Both Safe And Efficient;” in J. Lala (Ed.), *Foundations of Intrusion Tolerant Systems*; IEEE Computer Society Press, ISBN 0-7695-2057-X, pp. 337–356; December 2003. doi:10.1109/FITS.2003.1264941 (Expanded version of conference paper C.15)

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- BC.6 M. Franz; “A Fresh Look At Low-Power Mobile Computing;” in L. Benini, M. Kandemir, J. Ramanujam (Eds.), *Compilers and Operating Systems for Low Power*; Kluwer Academic Publishers, Boston, ISBN 1-4020-7573-1, pp. 209–220; September 2003. doi:10.1007/978-1-4419-9292-5_12 (Expanded version of conference paper C.18)
- BC.5 M. Franz; “Safe Code: It’s Not Just For Applets Anymore;” in L. Böszörményi and Peter Schojer (Eds.), *Modular Programming Languages: Proceedings of the Sixth Joint Modular Languages Conference (JMLC 2003)*, Klagenfurt, Austria; Springer Lecture Notes in Computer Science, No. 2789, ISBN 3-540-40796-0; pp. 12–22; August 2003. (Full Text of Invited Keynote Address)
- BC.4 J. von Ronne, A. Hartmann, W. Amme, and M. Franz; “Efficient Online Optimization by Utilizing Offline Analysis and the SafeTSA Representation;” in J. Powers and J. T. Waldron (Eds.), *Recent Advances in Java Technology: Theory, Application, Implementation*; Computer Science Press, Trinity College Dublin, Dublin, Ireland, ISBN 0-9544145-0-0, pp. 233–241; November 2002. (Expanded version of conference paper C.22)
- BC.3 M. Franz; “Oberon: The Overlooked Jewel;” in L. Böszörményi, J. Gutknecht, G. Pomberger (Eds.), *The School of Niklaus Wirth: The Art of Simplicity*; Morgan Kaufmann, San Francisco; ISBN 1-55860-723-4, pp. 41–53; September 2000.
- BC.2 J. Gutknecht and M. Franz; “Oberon with Gadgets: A Simple Component Framework;” in M. Fayad, D. Schmidt, R. Johnson (Eds.), *Implementing Application Frameworks: Object-Oriented Frameworks at Work*; Wiley, ISBN 0-4712-5201-8, pp. 323–338; September 1999.
- BC.1 M. Franz; “Adaptive Compression of Syntax Trees and Iterative Dynamic Code Optimization: Two Basic Technologies for Mobile-Object Systems;” in J. Vitek and Ch. Tschudin (Eds.), *Mobile Object Systems: Towards the Programmable Internet*; Springer Lecture Notes in Computer Science, No. 1222, ISBN 3-540-62852-5, pp. 263–276; February 1997. doi:10.1007/3-540-62852-5_19

Strongly Reviewed Journal & Magazine Articles

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- J.36 B. Belleville, W. Shen, S. Volckaert, A.M. Azab, and M. Franz; “KALD: Detecting Direct Pointer Disclosure Vulnerabilities;” in *IEEE Transactions on Dependable and Secure Computing (TDSC)*, Vol 18, No. 3, pp. 1369–1377; May/June 2021 (first online publication May 2019). doi:10.1109/TDSC.2019.2915829
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- J.33 A. Homescu, T. Jackson, S. Crane, S. Brunthaler, P. Larsen, and M. Franz; “Large-scale Automated Software Diversity—Program Evolution Redux;” in *IEEE Transactions on Dependable and Secure Computing (TDSC)*, Vol. 14, No. 2, March/April 2017. doi:10.1109/TDSC.2015.2433252
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Strongly Reviewed Conference and Workshop Papers

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- C.122 A. Rösti, S. Volckaert, M. Franz, and A. Voulimeneas; “I’ll Be There for You! Perpetual Availability in the A⁸ MVX System;” in *2024 Annual Computer Security Applications Conference (ACSAC 2024)*, Honolulu, Hawaii, IEEE Press, ISBN 979-8-3315-2088-5, pp. 520–533; December 2024. doi:10.1109/ACSAC63791.2024.00052
Distinguished Paper with Artifact Award. 83 papers accepted out of 424 total papers submitted to the conference; 381 papers were reviewed after what the program committee called “aggressive desk rejects” = 21.8% acceptance rate of the strictly reviewed papers. 2 papers, including ours, received awards at the conference.

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- C.121 F. Parzefall, C. Deshpande, F. Hetzelt, and M. Franz; “What You Trace is What You Get: Dynamic Stack-Layout Recovery for Binary Recompilation;” in *2024 ACM International Conference on Architectural Support for Programming Languages and Operating Systems (ASPLOS 2024)*, San Diego, California, ACM Press, ISBN 979-8-4007-0385-0, pp. 1250–1263; April 2024. doi:10.1145/3620665.3640371 170 papers accepted out of 912 submissions, with 33 revisions still outstanding = expected acceptance rate of 20-21%.
- C.120 C. Deshpande, F. Parzefall, F. Hetzelt, and M. Franz; “Polynima—Practical Hybrid Recompilation for Multi-threaded Binaries;” in *Nineteenth European Conference on Computer Systems (EuroSys 2024)*, Athens, Greece, ACM Press, ISBN 979-8-4007-0437-6, pp. 1126–1141; April 2024. doi:10.1145/3627703.3650065 71 papers accepted out of 484 submissions = 14.6%.
- C.119 M.-Y. Hsu, F. Hetzelt, D. Gens, M. Maitland, and M. Franz; “A Highly Scalable, Hybrid, Cross-Platform Timing Analysis Framework Providing Accurate Differential Throughput Estimation via Instruction-Level Tracing;” in *2023 ACM Joint European Software Engineering Conference and Symposium on the Foundations of Software Engineering (ESEC/FSE 2023)*, San Francisco, California, ACM Press, ISBN 979-8-4007-0327-0, pp. 821–831; December 2023. doi:10.1145/3611643.3616246 **SIGSOFT Distinguished Paper Award**. Our paper was one of 60 papers accepted outright out of 473 submissions = 12.6%; an additional 82 papers were sent back for a major revision. The second round of reviews resulted in 67 more papers being accepted and 12 rejected, with the final tally being 127 accepted papers = 27%.
- C.118 G. Kim, M. Franz, and J. Kim; “The Ticket Price Matters in Sharding Blockchain,” 6th International Workshop on Cryptocurrencies and Blockchain Technology (CBT 2022); published as J. Garcia-Alfaro, G. Navarro-Arribas, H. Hartenstein, and J. Herrera-Joancomarti (Eds.), *Data Privacy Management, Cryptocurrencies and Blockchain Technology: ESORICS 2022 International Workshops, DPM 2022 and CBT 2022, Copenhagen, Denmark, September 26–30, 2022, Revised Selected Papers*, Springer Lecture Notes in Computer Science, Vol. 10,436; ISBN 978-3-031-25733-9; 2023. doi:10.1007/978-3-031-25734-6_12
- C.117 G. Kim, S. Hong, M. Franz, and D.K. Song; “Improving Cross-Platform Binary Analysis using Representation Learning via Graph Alignment;” in *ACM SIGSOFT International Symposium on Software Testing and Analysis (ISSTA 2022)*, Seoul, South Korea, ACM Press, ISBN 978-1-4503-9379-9, pp. 151–163; July 2022. doi:10.1145/3533767.3534383 61 papers accepted out of 250 submissions = 25.6%
- C.116 P. Kirth, M. Dickerson, S. Crane, P. Larsen, A. Dabrowski, D. Gens, Y. Na, S. Volckaert, and M. Franz; “PKRU-Safe: Automatically Locking Down the Heap Between Safe and Unsafe Languages;” in *EuroSys 2022*, Rennes, France, ACM Press, ISBN 978-1-4503-9162-7, pp. 132–148; April 2022. doi:10.1145/3492321.3519582 **Best Paper Award**. 45 papers accepted out of 161 submissions = 27.6%
- C.115 C. Deshpande, D. Gens, and M. Franz; “StackBERT: Machine Learning Assisted Static Stack Frame Size Recovery On Stripped and Optimized Binaries;” in *14th ACM Workshop on Artificial Intelligence and Security (AISec 2021)*, Seoul, South Korea, ACM Press, ISBN 978-1-4503-8657-9, pp. 85–95; November 2021. doi:10.1145/3474369.3486865
- C.114 A. Dabrowski, K. Pfeffer, M. Reichel, A. Mai, E. Weippl, and M. Franz; “Better Keep Cash in Your Boots—Hardware Wallets Are the New Single Point of Failure;” in *2021 ACM Workshop on Decentralized Finance and Security (DeFi21)*, Seoul, South Korea, ACM Press, ISBN 978-1-4503-8540-4; November 2021. doi:10.1145/3464967.3488588
- C.113 K. Pfeffer, A. Mai, A. Dabrowski, M. Gusenbauer, P. Schindler, E. Weippl, M. Franz, and K. Krombholz; “On the Usability of Authenticity Checks for Hardware Security Tokens;” in *USENIX Security 2021*, Vancouver, British Columbia, USENIX Association, ISBN 978-1-939133-24-3, pp. 37–54; August 2021. 248 papers accepted out of 1,319 submissions = 18.8%
- C.112 A. Voulimeneas, D. Song, P. Larsen, M. Franz, and S. Volckaert, “dMVX: Secure and Efficient Multi-Variant Execution in a Distributed Setting;” in *14th European Workshop on Systems Security (EuroSec 2021)*, Edinburgh, Scotland, ACM Press, ISBN 978-1-4503-8337-0, pp.41–47; April 2021. doi:10.1145/3447852.3458714
- C.111 P. Larsen and M. Franz; “Adoption Challenges of Code Randomization;” in *7th ACM Workshop on Moving Target Defense (MTD 2020)*, ACM Press, ISBN 978-1-4503-8085-0, pp. 45–49; November 2020. doi:10.1145/3411496.3421226.

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- C.110 D. Song, F. Hetzelt, J. Kim, B. Kang, J. Seifert, and M. Franz; “Agamoto: Accelerating Kernel Driver Fuzzing with Lightweight Virtual Machine Checkpoints;” in *USENIX Security 2020*, Boston, Massachusetts, USENIX Association, ISBN 978-1-939133-17-5, pp. 2541–2557; August 2020. 157 papers accepted out of 977 submissions = 16%
- C.109 Z. Kenjar, T. Frassetto, D. Gens, M. Franz, and A. Sadeghi; “VOLTpwn: Attacking x86 Processor Integrity from Software;” in *USENIX Security 2020*, Boston, Massachusetts, USENIX Association, ISBN 978-1-939133-17-5, pp. 1445–1461; August 2020. 157 papers accepted out of 977 submissions = 16%
- C.108 P. Rajasekaran, S. Crane, D. Gens, Y. Na, S. Volckaert, and M. Franz; “CoDaRR : Continuous Data Space Randomization against Data-Only Attacks;” in *15th ACM ASIA Conference on Computer and Communications Security (ACM ASIACCS 2020)*, Taipei, Taiwan; June 2020 (moved to October 2020). 67 papers accepted out of 308 submissions = 22%
- C.107 A. Voulimeneas, D. Song, F. Parzefall, Y. Na, P. Larsen, M. Franz, and S. Volckaert; “Distributed Heterogeneous N-Variant Execution;” in C. Maurice, L. Bilge, G. Stringhini, and N. Neves (Eds.), *Detection of Intrusions and Malware, and Vulnerability Assessment (DIMVA 2020)*, 17th International Conference, Lisbon, Portugal, Springer Lecture Notes in Computer Science, Vol. 12223, ISBN 978-3-030-52682-5, pp. 326–348; June 2020. doi:10.1007/978-3-030-52683-2_11 13 papers accepted out of 45 submissions = 28.9%
- C.106 A. Altinay, J. Nash, T. Kroes, P. Rajasekaran, D. Zhou, A. Dabrowski, D. Gens, Y. Na, S. Volckaert, C. Giuffrida, H. Bos, and M. Franz; “BinRec: Dynamic Binary Lifting and Recompilation;” in *EuroSys 2020*, Heraklion, Greece, ACM Press, ISBN 978-1-4503-6882-7; April 2020. doi:10.1145/3342195.3387550 43 papers accepted out of 234 submissions = 18%
- C.105 T. Park, K. Dhondt, D. Gens, Y. Na, S. Volckaert, and M. Franz; “NoJITsu: Locking Down JavaScript Engines;” in *2020 Network and Distributed Systems Security Symposium (NDSS 2020)*, San Diego, California, Internet Society, ISBN 1-891562-61-4; February 2020. doi:10.14722/ndss.2020.24262 88 papers accepted out of 506 submissions = 17%
- C.104 D.K. Song, J. Lettner, P. Rajasekaran, Y. Na, S. Volckaert, P. Larsen, and M. Franz; “SoK: Sanitizing for Security;” in *40th IEEE Symposium on Security and Privacy*, San Francisco, California, ISBN 978-1-5386-6660-9, pp. 187–207; May 2019. doi:10.1109/SP.2019.00010 84 papers accepted out of 673 submissions plus 10 revised papers from the previous year = 12.5%
- C.103 D.K. Song, F. Hetzelt, D. Das, Ch. Spensky, Y. Na, S. Volckaert, G. Vigna, Ch. Kruegel, J.-P. Seifert, and M. Franz; “PeriScope: An Effective Probing and Fuzzing Framework for the Hardware-OS Boundary;” in *2019 Network and Distributed Systems Security Symposium (NDSS 2019)*, Internet Society, ISBN 1-891562-55-X, San Diego, California; February 2019. doi:10.14722/ndss.2019.23176 89 papers accepted out of 521 submissions = 17%
- C.102 T. Kroes, A. Altinay, J. Nash, Y. Na, S. Volckaert, H. Bos, M. Franz, and Ch. Giuffrida; “BinRec: Attack Surface Reduction Through Dynamic Binary Recovery;” in Y. Shoshitaishvili, M. Naik (Eds.), *FEAST '18: Proceedings of the 2018 Workshop on Forming an Ecosystem Around Software Transformation*, Toronto, Canada, ACM Press, ISBN 978-1-4503-5997-9, pp. 8–13; October 2018. doi:10.1145/3273045.3273050
- C.101 B. Belleville, H. Moon, J. Shin, D. Hwang, J.M. Nash, S. Jung, Y. Na, S. Volckaert, P. Larsen, Y. Paek, and M. Franz; “Hardware Assisted Randomization of Data;” in M. Bailey, Th. Holz, M. Stamatogiannakis, and S. Ioannidis (Eds.), *21st International Symposium on Research in Attacks, Intrusions, and Defenses (RAID 2018)*, Heraklion, Crete, Greece, Springer Lecture Notes in Computer Science Vol. 11050, ISBN 978-3-030-00469-9, pp. 337–358; September 2018. doi:10.1007/978-3-030-00470-5_16 33 papers accepted out of 145 submissions = 23%
- C.100 J. Lettner, D.K. Song, T. Park, S. Volckaert, P. Larsen, and M. Franz; “PartiSan: Fast and Flexible Sanitization via Run-time Partitioning;” in M. Bailey, Th. Holz, M. Stamatogiannakis, and S. Ioannidis (Eds.), *21st International Symposium on Research in Attacks, Intrusions, and Defenses (RAID 2018)*, Heraklion, Crete, Greece, Springer Lecture Notes in Computer Science Vol. 11050, ISBN 978-3-030-00469-9, pp. 403–422; September 2018. doi:10.1007/978-3-030-00470-5_19 33 papers accepted out of 145 submissions = 23%

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- C.99 M. Qunaibit, S. Brunthaler, Y. Na, S. Volckaert and M. Franz; “Accelerating Dynamically-Typed Languages on Heterogeneous Platforms Using Guards Optimization;” in T. Millstein (Ed.), *2018 European Conference on Object-Oriented Programming (ECOOP 2018)*; Amsterdam, Netherlands, LIPIcs–Leibniz International Proceedings in Informatics, Vol. 109, ISBN 978-3-95977-079-8, pp. 16:1–16:29; July 2018. doi:10.4230/LIPIcs.ECOOP.2018.16 26 papers accepted out of 66 submissions = 39%
- C.98 T. Park, J. Lettner, Y. Na, S. Volckaert and M. Franz; “Bytecode Corruption Attacks Are Real—And How To Defend Against Them;” in C. Giuffrida, S. Bardin, and G. Blanc (Eds.), *Detection of Intrusions and Malware, and Vulnerability Assessment (DIMVA 2018)*, 15th International Conference, Saclay, France, Springer Lecture Notes in Computer Science Vol. 10885, ISBN 978-3-319-93410-5, pp. 326–348; June 2018. doi:10.1007/978-3-319-93411-2_15 18 papers accepted out of 59 submissions = 30%
- C.97 P. Biswas, A. Di Federico, S.A. Carr, P. Rajasekaran, S. Volckaert, Y. Na, M. Franz, and M. Payer; “Venerable Variadic Vulnerabilities Vanquished;” in *USENIX Security 2017*, Vancouver, British Columbia, USENIX Association, ISBN 978-1-931971-40-9, pp. 186–198; August 2017. 85 papers accepted out of 522 submissions = 16%
- C.96 S. Volckaert, B. Coppens, B. De Sutter, K. De Bosschere, P. Larsen, and M. Franz; “Taming Parallelism in a Multi-Variant Execution Environment;” in *EuroSys 2017*, Belgrade, Serbia, ISBN 978-1-4503-4938-3, pp. 270–285; April 2017. doi:10.1145/3064176.3064178 41 papers accepted out of 182 valid submissions = 22%
- C.95 R. Rudd, R. Skowyra, D. Bigelow, V. Dedhia, Th. Hobson, S. Crane, Ch. Liebchen, P. Larsen, L. Davi, M. Franz, A.-R. Sadeghi, and H. Okhravi; “Address Oblivious Code Reuse: On the Effectiveness of Leakage Resilient Diversity;” in *2017 Network and Distributed System Security Symposium (NDSS 2017)*, Internet Society, ISBN 1-891562-46-0, San Diego, California; February 2017. doi:10.14722/ndss.2017.23477 68 papers accepted out of 423 submissions = 16%
- C.94 S. Volckaert, B. Coppens, A. Voulimeneas, A. Homescu, P. Larsen, B. De Sutter, and M. Franz; “Secure and Efficient Application Monitoring and Replication;” in *2016 USENIX Annual Technical Conference (ATC 2016)*, Denver, Colorado, USENIX Association, ISBN 978-1-931971-30-0, pp. 167–179; June 2016. 47 papers accepted out of 266 submissions = 17.6%
- C.93 J. Lettner, B. Kollenda, A. Homescu, P. Larsen, F. Schuster, L. Davi, A.-R. Sadeghi, T. Holz, and M. Franz; “Subversive-C: Abusing and Protecting Dynamic Message Dispatch;” in *2016 USENIX Annual Technical Conference (ATC 2016)*, Denver, Colorado, USENIX Association, ISBN 978-1-931971-30-0, pp. 209–221; June 2016. 47 papers accepted out of 266 submissions = 17.6%
- C.92 K. Braden, S. Crane, L. Davi, M. Franz, P. Larsen, Ch. Liebchen, and A.-R. Sadeghi; “Leakage-Resilient Layout Randomization for Mobile Devices;” in *2016 Network and Distributed System Security Symposium (NDSS 2016)*, Internet Society, ISBN 1-891562-41-X, San Diego, California; February 2016. doi:10.14722/ndss.2016.23364 60 papers accepted out of 389 submissions = 15.4%
- C.91 S. Crane, S. Volckaert, F. Schuster, Ch. Liebchen, P. Larsen, L. Davi, A.-R. Sadeghi, T. Holz, B. De Sutter, and M. Franz; “It’s a TRAP: Table Randomization and Protection against Function Reuse Attacks;” in *22nd ACM Conference on Computer and Communications Security (CCS 2015)*, Denver, Colorado, ACM Press, ISBN 978-1-4503-3832-5, pp. 243–255; October 2015. doi:10.1145/2810103.2813682 128 papers accepted out of 646 submissions = 19.4%
- C.90 M. Conti, S. Crane, L. Davi, M. Franz, P. Larsen, Ch. Liebchen, M. Negro, M. Qunaibit, and A.-R. Sadeghi; “Losing Control: On the Effectiveness of Control-Flow Integrity under Stack Attacks;” in *22nd ACM Conference on Computer and Communications Security (CCS 2015)*, Denver, Colorado, ACM Press, ISBN 978-1-4503-3832-5, pp. 952-963; October 2015. doi:10.1145/2810103.2813671 128 papers accepted out of 646 submissions = 19.4%
- C.89 G. Savrun-Yeniceri, M. L. Van de Vanter, P. Larsen, S. Brunthaler, and M. Franz; “Efficient and Generic Event-based Profiler Framework for Dynamic Languages;” in *2015 International Conference on Principles and Practices of Programming on the Java platform: Virtual machines, Languages, and Tools (PPPJ’15)*, Melbourne, Florida, ACM Press, ISBN 978-1-4503-3712-0, pp. 102–112; September 2015. doi:10.1145/2807426.2807435

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- C.13 P.H. Fröhlich and M. Franz; “Stand-Alone Messages: A Step Towards Component-Oriented Programming Languages;” in J. Gutknecht and W. Weck (Eds.), *Modular Programming Languages: Proceedings of the Fifth Joint Modular Languages Conference (JMLC 2000)*, Zurich, Switzerland; Springer Lecture Notes in Computer Science, No. 1891, ISBN 3-540-67958-8, pp. 90–103; September 2000. doi:10.1007/10722581_9

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- C.12 M. Franz, P.H. Fröhlich, and T. Kistler; “Towards Language Support for Component-Oriented Real-Time Programming;” in *The Fifth IEEE International Workshop on Object-Oriented Real-Time Dependable Systems (WORDS’99F)*, Monterey, California, November 1999; IEEE Computer Society Press, ISBN 0-7695-0616-X; April 2000. doi:10.1109/WORDSF.1999.842343
- C.11 T. Kistler and M. Franz; “Computing the Similarity of Profiling Data: Heuristics for Guiding Adaptive Optimizations;” in *Proceedings of the Workshop on Profile and Feedback-Directed Optimization*, Paris, France, October 1998.
- C.10 M. Franz; “On the Architecture of Software Component Systems;” in R.N. Horspool (Ed.), *Systems Implementation 2000, (Proceedings of the IFIP TC2 WG2.4 Working Conference on Systems Implementation 2000: Languages, Methods and Tools, Berlin, Germany)*, Chapman & Hall, ISBN 0-412-83530-4, pp. 207–220; February 1998.
- C.09 M. Franz and T. Kistler; “Does Java Have Alternatives?;” in D.J. Richardson and D. Wile (Eds.), *Proceedings of the Third California Software Symposium (CSS’97)*, Irvine, California, pp. 5–10; November 1997.
- C.08 M. Franz; “Beyond Java: An Infrastructure for High-Performance Mobile Code on the World Wide Web;” in S. Lobodzinski and I. Tomek (Eds.), *Proceedings of WebNet 97*, World Conference of the WWW, Internet, and Intranet, Association for the Advancement of Computing in Education; ISBN 1-880094-27-4, pp. 33–38; October 1997. (Best Paper Award)
- C.07 M. Franz; “Run-Time Code Generation as a Central System Service;” in *The Sixth Workshop on Hot Topics in Operating Systems (HotOS VI)*, IEEE Computer Society Press, ISBN 0-8186-7834-8, pp. 112–117; May 1997. doi:10.1109/HOTOS.1997.595192
- C.06 M. Franz; “Toward an Execution Model for Component Software;” in *Proceedings of the First International Workshop on Component-Oriented Programming (WCOP 1996)*, subsequently published as M. Mühlhäuser (Ed.), *Special Issues in Object-Oriented Programming: Workshop Reader of the 10th European Conference on Object-Oriented Programming (ECOOP’96)*, dpunkt Verlag, Heidelberg, ISBN 3-920993-67-5, pp. 144–149; March 1997.
- C.05 T. Kistler and M. Franz; “A Tree-Based Alternative to Java Byte-Codes;” in *Proceedings of the International Workshop on Security and Efficiency Aspects of Java*, Eilat, Israel; January 1997.
- C.04 M. Franz; “Compiler Optimizations Should Pay for Themselves;” in P. Schulthess (Ed.), *Advances in Modular Languages: Proceedings of the Joint Modular Languages Conference*, Universitätsverlag Ulm, ISBN 3-89559-220-X, pp. 111–121; September 1994.
- C.03 M. Franz; “Technological Steps toward a Software Component Industry;” in J. Gutknecht (Ed.), *Programming Languages and System Architectures: Proceedings of the International Conference*, Zurich, Switzerland, Springer Lecture Notes in Computer Science, No. 782, pp. 259–281; March 1994. doi:10.1007/3-540-57840-4_36
- C.02 M. Franz; “Immediate Object-Level Software Reuse on Different Target Architectures using Fast On-The-Fly Code Generation;” in *Position Paper Collection of the Second International Workshop on Software Reusability*, Lucca, Italy; March 1993.
- C.01 M. Franz and S. Ludwig; “Portability Redefined;” in *Proceedings of the Second International Modula-2 Conference*, Loughborough, England, pp. 216–224; September 1991.

Selected Further Conferences, Workshops, and Other Publications

*Note: Technical reports that have subsequently been published as book chapters, conference papers, or journal articles are **not** listed again here.*

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- CPC04 E. Yardimci, N. Dalton, Ch. Fensch, and M. Franz; “Azure: A Virtual Machine for Improving Execution of Sequential Programs on Throughput-Oriented Explicitly-Parallel Processors;” in *Proceedings of the 11th International Workshop on Compilers for Parallel Computers (CPC 2004)*, Seeon, Germany, Shaker Verlag, pp. 61–174; July 2004.
- PLOS04 A. Gal, Ch.W. Probst, and M. Franz; “Executing Legacy Applications on a Java Operating System;” in *Proceedings of the ECOOP Workshop on Programming Languages and Operating Systems 2004 (ECOOP-PLOS 2004)*, Oslo, Norway; June 2004.
- TR.04-09 A. Gal, Ch.W. Probst, and M. Franz; *Complexity-Based Denial of Service Attacks on Mobile-Code Systems*; Technical Report No. 04-09, School of Information and Computer Science, University of California, Irvine; April 2004.
- CPC03 N. Dalton, Ch. Fensch, E. Yardimci, and M. Franz; “A Virtual Machine for Improving Native-Code Execution on Explicitly Parallel Processors;” in *Proceedings of the 10th International Workshop on Compilers for Parallel Computers (CPC 2003)*, Amsterdam, The Netherlands, pp. 261–270; January 2003.
- CPC01 J. von Ronne, M. Franz, N. Dalton, and W. Amme; “Compile Time Elimination of Null- and Bounds-Checks;” in *Ninth International Workshop on Compilers for Parallel Computers (CPC 2001)*, Edinburgh, Scotland, pp. 325–334; June 2001.
- TR.98-34 M. Franz and T. Kistler; *Splitting Data Objects to Increase Cache Latency*; Technical Report No. 98-34, Department of Information and Computer Science, University of California, Irvine; October 1998.
- TR.90-142 M. Franz; *MacOberon Reference Manual*; Technical Report No. 142, Departement Informatik, ETH Zürich; November 1990.
- TR.90-141 M. Franz; *The Implementation of MacOberon*; Technical Report No. 141, Departement Informatik, ETH Zürich; October 1990.

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Professional Activities

Major Honors and Awards

- I have been awarded a *European Research Council (ERC) Advanced Grant (ADG)* of €2.5 Million, a lump-sum grant for a five year period starting July 2026. ERC ADGs are “awarded to exceptional leaders in terms of originality and significance of their research contributions” and “give senior researchers the opportunity to pursue ambitious, curiosity-driven projects that could lead to major scientific breakthroughs;” 2025.
- *ACM Charles P. “Chuck” Thacker Breakthrough in Computing Award, Association for Computing Machinery (ACM)*, “for the development of just-in-time compilation techniques that enabled fast and feature-rich web services on the internet.” This award of \$100,000 recognizes “individuals who have made a surprising or disruptive leapfrog in computing ideas or technologies;” 2020.
- *Fellow, American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS)*, ‘for distinguished contributions to computer science, particularly to the areas of just-in-time compilation and optimization and techniques for computer security;” 2019.
- *Inaugural Fellow, International Federation for Information Processing (IFIP)*. Among the inaugural cohort of only 18 inductees when the Fellow grade was first introduced. The Fellow Award recognizes individuals of the highest professional standing and expertise in one of IFIP’s constituent societies who have also contributed directly to IFIP. Established in 1960 under the auspices of UNESCO, IFIP is the global organisation for researchers and professionals working in the field of information and communication technologies. IFIP is recognised by the United Nations and links some 50 national and international societies and academies of science with a total membership of over half a million professionals. 2019.
- *Humboldt Research Award, Alexander von Humboldt Foundation*. This award is granted in recognition of a researcher’s entire achievements to date to academics whose fundamental discoveries, new theories, or insights have had a significant impact on their own discipline and who are expected to continue producing cutting-edge achievements in the future. Award of €60,000; 2018.
- *Innovator of the Year Award, UCI Applied Innovation & The Beall Family Foundation*), Award of \$10,000; 2018.
- *Fellow, Association for Computing Machinery (ACM)*, “for contributions to just-in-time compilation and optimization and to compiler techniques for computer security;” 2015.
- *Fellow, The Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE)*, “for contributions to just-in-time compilation and to computer security through compiler-generated software diversity;” 2015.
- *Dean’s Award for Research, Donald Bren School of Information and Computer Sciences, UC Irvine*, 2015.
- *IEEE Computer Society Technical Achievement Award, 2012*, “for pioneering contributions to just-in-time compilation and optimization and significantly advancing Web application technology.”
- *IEEE Orange County Chapter Outstanding Engineer Award, 2012*.
- *University of California, Irvine, Distinguished Mid-Career Faculty Award for Research, 2010*. This is the Academic Senate’s highest honor for research. One such award at most is given yearly to an Assistant Professor, one to an Associate or Full Professor Step I-IV (the “Mid-Career Award”), and one to a Professor Step V or higher.
- *Distinguished Scientist, Association for Computing Machinery (ACM)*, “Created early mobile code system. Leads key research group on Virtual Machines and Mobile-Code Security. Co-Founder of the ACM Sigplan VEE Conference;” 2006.
- *Senior Member, The Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE)*, 2006.
- *National Science Foundation CAREER Award, 1997*.
- I was awarded a *Fulbright Scholarship* (for graduate study in the United States) in 1989, but subsequently declined this award in order to join the research group of Prof. Niklaus Wirth at ETH Zürich.

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Service to the Professional Community: Ongoing

- Program Committee Member, Software Security Track, *33rd ACM Conference on Computer and Communications Security (ACM CCS 2026)*, The Hague, Netherlands; November 2026.
- Program Committee Member, *2026 IEEE Secure Development Conference (SecDev 2026 Research)*, Montreal, Quebec, Canada; July 2026.
- Member, *IFIP Working Group 11.10 (“Critical Infrastructure Protection”)*, 2018 – present.
- Journal Editorial Board Member, *Software—Practice and Experience (SPE)*; since July 2010.
- Emeritus Member, *IFIP Working Group 2.4 (“Software Implementation Technology”)*, since July 2018 (previously, I was a Full Voting Member from 2002 – 2018, and before that, an Observer from 1998 – 2002).
- Charter Faculty Member, *Security Computing and Networking Center (SCoNCe)* (previously named *Center for Cyber-Security and Privacy*), Donald Bren School of Information and Computer Sciences, UC Irvine, May 2005 – present.
- Charter Member, *The California Institute for Telecommunications and Information Technology (Cal-(IT)²)*, one of four California Institutes for Science and Technology, December 2000 – present.

Service to the Professional Community: Past

Editorial Board Member

- Journal Editorial Board Member, *Software-Intensive Cyber-Physical Systems (SICS)*; October 2009–December 2020. Prior to 2017, the journal was published under the name *Computer Science—Research and Development (CSR D)*.
- Journal Editorial Board Member, *IEEE Transactions on Dependable and Secure Computing (TDSC)*; March 2015–December 2019. (IEEE Computer Society policy limits the service of Associate Editors to two consecutive 2-year terms.)

Program Committee Member

- *2025 IEEE Secure Development Conference (SecDev 2025 Research)*, Indianapolis, Indiana; October 2025.
- *2025 OOPSLA: Conference on Object-Oriented Programming Systems, Languages, and Applications (OOPSLA 2025)*, Singapore; October 2025.
- *First Workshop on Software Understanding and Reverse Engineering (SURE 2025)*, Taipei, Taiwan; October 2025.
- *2024 IEEE Secure Development Conference (SecDev 2024 Research)*, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; October 2024.
- *2023 IEEE Symposium on Security and Privacy (“Oakland”)*, San Francisco, California; May 2023.
- *2022 USENIX Security Conference*, Boston, Massachusetts; August 2022.
- *2022 Network and Distributed System Security Symposium (NDSS)*, San Diego, California, April 2022.
- *24th International Symposium on Research in Attacks, Intrusions and Defenses (RAID 2021)*, Donostia / San Sebastian, Spain; October 2021.
- *26th European Symposium on Research in Computer Security (ESORICS 2021)*, Darmstadt, Germany; October 2021.
- *2021 USENIX Security Conference*, Vancouver, British Columbia; August 2021.
- *2021 IEEE Symposium on Security and Privacy (“Oakland”)*, San Francisco, California; May 2021.
- *18th International Conference on Cryptology and Network Security (CANS 2020)*, Vienna, Austria; December 2020.

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- *27th ACM Conference on Computer and Communications Security (ACM CCS 2020)*, Orlando, Florida; November 2020.
- *5th Workshop on Forming an Ecosystem Around Software Transformation (FEAST 2020)*, Orlando, Florida; November 2020.
- *4th Workshop on Attacks and Solutions in Hardware Security (ASHES 2020)*, Orlando, Florida; November 2020.
- *7th ACM Workshop on Moving Target Defense (MTD 2020)*, Orlando, Florida; November 2020.
- *2020 IEEE Symposium on Security and Privacy (“Oakland”)*, San Francisco, California; May 2020.
- *GI SICHERHEIT 2020*, Göttingen, Germany; March 2020.
- *6th ACM Workshop on Moving Target Defense (MTD 2019)*, London, England; November 2019.
- *3rd International Workshop on Software Protection (SPRO-2019)*, London, England; November 2019.
- *26th ACM Conference on Computer and Communications Security (ACM CCS 2019)*, London, England; November 2019.
- *2019 IEEE Symposium on Security and Privacy (“Oakland”)*, San Francisco, California; May 2019.
- *2018 Dynamic Languages Symposium (DLS18)*, Boston, Massachusetts; November 2018.
- *25th ACM Conference on Computer and Communications Security (ACM CCS 2018)*, Toronto, Ontario, Canada; October 2018.
- *5th ACM Workshop on Moving Target Defense (MTD 2018)*, Toronto, Ontario, Canada; October 2018.
- *2018 Secure Development Conference (SecDev 2018)*, Cambridge, Massachusetts, September/October 2018.
- *19th World Conference on Information Security Applications (WISA 2018)*, Jeju Island, South Korea; August 2018.
- *First Workshop on Software Debloating and Delaying (SALAD ’18)*, Amsterdam, Netherlands; July 2018.
- *38th IEEE International Conference on Distributed Computing Systems (ICDCS 2018)*, Vienna, Austria; June 2018.
- *GI SICHERHEIT 2018*, Constance, Germany; April 2018.
- *2017 ACM/IFIP/USENIX International Middleware Conference (Middleware 2017)*, Las Vegas, Nevada; December 2017.
- *4th ACM Workshop on Moving Target Defense (MTD 2017)*, Dallas, Texas; October 2017.
- *2017 Secure Development Conference (SecDev 2017)*, Cambridge, Massachusetts, September 2017.
- *International Symposium on Engineering Secure Software and Systems (ESSoS’17)*, Bonn, Germany; July 2017.
- *15th International Conference on Applied Cryptography and Network Security (ACNS 2017)*, Kanazawa, Japan; July 2017.
- *37th IEEE International Conference on Distributed Computing Systems (ICDCS 2017)*, Atlanta, Georgia; June 2017.
- *2017 ACM Asia Conference on Computer and Communications Security (ASIACCS 2017)*, Abu Dhabi, UAE; April 2017.
- *8th IEEE International Workshop on Information Forensics and Security (WIFS 2016)*, Abu Dhabi, UAE; December 2016.
- *3rd ACM Workshop on Moving Target Defense (MTD 2016)*, Vienna, Austria; October 2016.
- *2nd International Workshop on Software Protection (SPRO-2016)*, Vienna, Austria; October 2016.
- *23rd ACM Conference on Computer and Communications Security (ACM CCS 2016)*, Vienna, Austria; October 2016.
- *2016 International Conference on Principles and Practices of Programming in Java (PPPJ’2016)*, Lugano, Switzerland; September 2016.

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- **Program co-Chair**, *9th International Conference on Trust and Trustworthy Computing (TRUST 2016)*, Vienna, Austria; August 2016.
- *14th International Conference on Applied Cryptography and Network Security (ACNS 2016)*, London, United Kingdom; June 2016.
- *International Symposium on Engineering Secure Software and Systems (ESSoS'16)*, Egham, United Kingdom; March 2016.
- *First IEEE European Symposium on Security and Privacy 2016 (EuroS&P2016)*, Saarbrücken, Germany; March 2016.
- *2nd ACM Workshop on Moving Target Defense (MTD 2015)*, Denver, Colorado; October 2015.
- *22nd ACM Conference on Computer and Communications Security (CCS 2015)*, Denver, Colorado; October 2015.
- *2015 International Conference on Principles and Practices of Programming in Java (PPPJ'2015)*, Melbourne, Florida; September 2015.
- *8th International Conference on Trust and Trustworthy Computing (TRUST 2015)*, Heraklion, Greece; August 2015.
- *1st International Workshop on Software Protection (SPRO-2015)*, Florence, Italy; May 2015.
- *IEEE Workshop on Web 2.0 Security and Privacy 2015 (W2SP'2015)*, San Jose, California; May 2015.
- *International Symposium on Engineering Secure Software and Systems (ESSoS'15)*, Milan, Italy; March 2015.
- *First ACM Workshop on Moving Target Defense (MTD 2014)*, Scottsdale, Arizona; November 2014.
- *2014 New Security Paradigms Workshop (NSPW 2014)*, Victoria, British Columbia, Canada; September 2014.
- *2014 International Conference on Principles and Practices of Programming in Java (PPPJ'2014)*, Krakow, Poland; September 2014.
- *IEEE Workshop on Web 2.0 Security and Privacy 2014 (W2SP'2014)*, San Francisco, California; May 2014.
- *ACM International Conference on Computing Frontiers 2014 (CF 14)*, Cagliari, Italy; May 2014.
- *The Next Generation Malware Attacks and Defense Workshop (NGMAD)*, New Orleans, Louisiana; December 2013.
- *2013 International Conference on Principles and Practices of Programming in Java (PPPJ'2013)*, Stuttgart, Germany; September 2013.
- *2013 New Security Paradigms Workshop (NSPW 2013)*, Banff, Alberta, Canada; September 2013.
- *6th International Conference on Trust and Trustworthy Computing (TRUST 2013)*, London, United Kingdom; June 2013.
- *28th Annual Computer Security Applications Conference (ACSAC 2012)*, Orlando, Florida; December 2012.
- *2012 New Security Paradigms Workshop (NSPW 2012)*, Bertinoro, Italy; September 2012.
- *11th International Conference on Generative Programming and Component Engineering (GPCE 2012)*, Dresden, Germany; September 2012.
- *2012 IEEE International Conference on Privacy, Security, Risk and Trust (PASSAT 2012)*, Amsterdam, The Netherlands; September 2012.
- *5th International Conference on Trust and Trustworthy Computing (TRUST 2012)*, Vienna, Austria; June 2012.
- *Eighth ACM SIGPLAN/SIGOPS International Conference on Virtual Execution Environments (VEE 2012)*, London, United Kingdom; March 2012.
- *27th Annual Computer Security Applications Conference (ACSAC 2011)*, Orlando, Florida; December 2011.
- **Program co-Chair**, *International Workshop on Programming Language And Systems Technologies for Internet Clients (PLASTIC 2011)*, Portland, Oregon; October 2011.

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- *6th Workshop on Programming Languages and Operating Systems (PLOS 2011)*, Cascais, Portugal; October 2011.
- *Third IEEE International Conference on Privacy, Security, Risk and Trust (PASSAT2011)*, Boston, Massachusetts; October 2011.
- *2011 New Security Paradigms Workshop (NSPW 2011)*, Sonoma, California; September 2011.
- *4th International Conference on Trust and Trustworthy Computing (TRUST 2011)*, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; June 2011.
- *ACM Sigplan Conference on Programming Language Design and Implementation (PLDI 2011)*, San Diego, California; June 2011.
- *5th International Multidisciplinary Conference on e-Technologies (MCETECH 2011)*, Les Diablerets, Switzerland; January 2011.
- **Program Chair**, *26th Annual Computer Security Applications Conference (ACSAC 2010)*, Austin, Texas; December 2010. 237 submitted papers, 39 accepted.
- *19th ACM/IEEE/IFIP International Conference on Parallel Architectures and Compilation Techniques (PACT 2010)*, Vienna, Austria; September 2010.
- *2010 IEEE International Conference on Privacy, Security, Risk and Trust (PASSAT-10)*, Minneapolis, Minnesota; August 2010.
- *ACM SIGPLAN/SIGBED Conference on Languages, Compilers and Tools for Embedded Systems (LCTES 2010)*, Stockholm, Sweden; April 2010.
- *ACM SIGPLAN/SIGOPS International Conference on Virtual Execution Environments (VEE 2010)*, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; March 2010.
- *International Symposium on Engineering Secure Software and Systems (ESSoS 2010)*, Pisa, Italy; February 2010.
- **Program co-Chair**, *25th Annual Computer Security Applications Conference (ACSAC 2009)*, Honolulu, Hawaii; December 2009.
- *12th Information Security Conference (ISC 2009)*, Pisa, Italy; September 2009.
- *2009 New Security Paradigms Workshop (NSPW 2009)*, Oxford, United Kingdom; September 2009.
- *2009 IEEE International Conference on Privacy, Security, Risk and Trust (PASSAT-09)*, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada; August 2009.
- *2009 International Conference on Principles and Practices of Programming in Java (PPPJ'2009)*, Calgary, Alberta, Canada; August 2009.
- *47th International Conference on Objects, Models, Components, and Patterns (TOOLS-EUROPE 2009)*, Zurich, Switzerland, June/July 2009.
- *4th Montreal Conference on eTechnologies (MCETECH)*, Ottawa, Canada; May 2009.
- *Compiler Construction 2009 (CC 2009)*, York, United Kingdom; March 2009.
- *2008 IEEE Symposium on Security and Privacy*, Oakland, California; May 2008.
- *2008 Annual IEEE Computer Society/ACM International Symposium on Code Generation and Optimization (CGO 2008)*, Boston, Massachusetts; March 2008.
- *23rd Annual Computer Security Applications Conference (ACSAC 2007)*, Miami Beach, Florida; December 2007.
- *2007 International Conference on Principles and Practices of Programming in Java (PPPJ'2007)*, Monte de Caparica/Lisbon, Portugal; September 2007.
- *New Security Paradigms Workshop (NSPW 2007)*, Washington Valley, New Hampshire; September 2007.
- *Workshop on Linguistic Support for Modern Operating Systems (PLOS 2006)*, October 2006.
- *The Second Workshop on Advances in Trusted Computing (WATC'06 Fall)*, Tokyo, Japan, November-December 2006.

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- *Seventh Joint Modular Languages Conference (JMLC 2006)*, Oxford, United Kingdom, September 2006.
- *2006 International Conference on Principles and Practices of Programming in Java (PPPJ'2006)*, Mannheim, Germany, September 2006.
- *New Security Paradigms Workshop (NSPW 2006)*, Dagstuhl, Germany, September 2006.
- *New Security Paradigms Workshop (NSPW 2005)*, Lake Arrowhead, California, September 2005.
- *ECOOP Workshop on Programming Languages and Operating Systems (ECOOP-PLOS 2005)*, June 2005.
- *Third International Workshop on Compiler Optimization Meets Compiler Verification (COCV 2005)*, Edinburgh, Scotland, April 2005.
- *3. Arbeitstagung Programmiersprachen (ATPS 2004) of the German Computer Society (GI)*, Ulm, Germany, September 2004.
- *ECOOP Workshop on Programming Languages and Operating Systems (ECOOP-PLOS 2004)*, Oslo, Norway, June 2004.
- *ACM SIGPLAN 2004 Conference on Languages, Compilers, and Tools for Embedded Systems (LCTES'04)*, Washington, D.C., June 2004.
- *Second Annual IEEE/ACM International Symposium on Code Generation and Optimization (CGO 2004)*, San Jose, California, March 2004.
- *Third International Workshop on Compiler Optimization Meets Compiler Verification (COCV 2004)*, Barcelona, Spain, March/April 2004.
- *ACM SIGSAC New Security Paradigms Workshop 2003 (NSPW-2003)*, Ascona, Switzerland, September 2003.
- *Sixth Joint Modular Languages Conference (JMLC 2003)*, Klagenfurt, Austria, August 2003.
- *ACM SIGPLAN 2003 Workshop on Interpreters, Virtual Machines and Emulators (IVME'03)*, San Diego, California, June 2003.
- *Second International Workshop on Compiler Optimization Meets Compiler Verification (COCV 2003)*, Warsaw, Poland, April 2003.
- *4th Annual Workshop on Binary Translation (WBT-2002)*, Charlottesville, Virginia, September 2002.
- *Fifth ECOOP Workshop on Object-Oriented and Operating Systems (ECOOP-OOSWS 2002)*, Málaga, Spain, June 2002.
- *Fifth IEEE International Symposium on Object-Oriented Real-Time Distributed Computing (ISORC 2002)*, Washington, D.C., April–May 2002.
- *11th International Conference on Compiler Construction (CC'2002)*, Grenoble, France, March 2002.
- *Fourth IEEE International Symposium on Object-Oriented Real-Time Distributed Computing (ISORC 2001)*, Magdeburg, Germany, May 2001.
- *Fifth Joint Modular Languages Conference (JMLC 2000)*, Zurich, Switzerland, September 2000.
- *Third Workshop on Distributed Communities on the Web (DCW 2000)*, Quebec City, Canada, June 2000.
- *Third IEEE International Symposium on Object-Oriented Real-Time Distributed Computing (ISORC 2000)*, Newport Beach, California, March 2000.
- *European Symposium on Programming (ESOP 2000)*, Berlin, Germany, March/April 2000.
- *Workshop on Binary Translation* (in conjunction with the International Conference on Parallel Architectures and Compilation Techniques, PACT '99), Newport Beach, California, October 1999.
- *ACM Sigplan 1999 Workshop on Compiler Support for System Software (WCSS'99)*, Atlanta, Georgia, May 1999.
- *Fourth California Software Symposium (CSS'98)*, Irvine, California, October 1998.
- *Workshop on Principles of Abstract Machines* (in conjunction with the joint international symposia SAS'98 and PLILP/ALP'98), Pisa, Italy, September 1998.

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- *ACM Sigplan Conference on Programming Language Design and Implementation (PLDI'98)*, Montreal, Canada, June 1998.
- *Fourth Joint Modular Languages Conference (JMLC'97)*, Linz, Austria, March 1997.

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- *2023 IEEE Symposium on Security and Privacy ("Oakland")*, San Francisco, California; May 2023.
- *2022 USENIX Security Conference*, Boston, Massachusetts; August 2022.
- *2021 USENIX Security Conference*, Vancouver, British Columbia; August 2021.
- *2021 IEEE Symposium on Security and Privacy ("Oakland")*, San Francisco, California; May 2021.
- *27th ACM Conference on Computer and Communications Security (ACM CCS 2020)*, Orlando, Florida; November 2020.
- *2020 IEEE Symposium on Security and Privacy ("Oakland")*, San Francisco, California; May 2020.
- *26th ACM Conference on Computer and Communications Security (CCS 2019)*, London, United Kingdom; November 2019.
- *2019 IEEE Symposium on Security and Privacy ("Oakland")*, San Francisco, California; May 2019.
- *25th ACM Conference on Computer and Communications Security (CCS 2018)*, Toronto, Canada; October 2018.
- *38th IEEE International Conference on Distributed Computing Systems (ICDCS 2018)*, Vienna, Austria; June 2018.
- *2018 ACM Asia Conference on Computer and Communications Security (ASIACCS 2018)*, Incheon, South Korea; June 2018.
- *Third IEEE European Symposium on Security and Privacy 2018 (EuroS&P2018)*, London, United Kingdom; April 2018.
- *Usenix Security 2017*, Vancouver, British Columbia; August 2017.
- *23rd ACM Conference on Computer and Communications Security (CCS 2016)*, Vienna, Austria; October 2016.
- *First IEEE European Symposium on Security and Privacy 2016 (EuroS&P2016)*, Saarbrücken, Germany; March 2016.
- *22nd ACM Conference on Computer and Communications Security (CCS 2015)*, Denver, Colorado; October 2015.
- *10th Conference on High Performance and Embedded Architecture and Compilation (HiPEAC 2015)*, Amsterdam, Netherlands; January 2015.
- *6th International Conference on Trust and Trustworthy Computing (TRUST 2013)*, London, United Kingdom; June 2013.
- *22nd International Conference on Compiler Construction (CC 2013)*, Rome, Italy; March 2013.
- *28th Annual Computer Security Applications Conference (ACSAC 2012)*, Orlando, Florida; December 2012.
- *11th International Conference on Generative Programming and Component Engineering (GPCE 2012)*, Dresden, Germany; September 2012.
- *27th Annual Computer Security Applications Conference (ACSAC 2011)*, Orlando, Florida; December 2011.
- *ACM Sigplan Conference on Programming Language Design and Implementation (PLDI 2011)*, San Diego, California; June 2011.
- *26th Annual Computer Security Applications Conference (ACSAC 2010)*, Austin, Texas; December 2010.
- *19th ACM/IEEE/IFIP International Conference on Parallel Architectures and Compilation Techniques (PACT 2010)*, Vienna, Austria; September 2010.
- *ACM SIGPLAN/SIGOPS International Conference on Virtual Execution Environments (VEE 2010)*, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; March 2010.

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- *23rd Annual Computer Security Applications Conference (ACSAC 2007)*, Miami Beach, Florida; December 2007.
- *Seventh Joint Modular Languages Conference (JMLC 2006)*, Oxford, United Kingdom, September 2006.
- *Invitational Workshop on the Future of Virtual Execution Environments*, Armonk, New York; September 2004
- *New Security Paradigms Workshop (NSPW 2004)*, White Point, Nova Scotia, September 2004.
- *The Fourth IEEE International Conference on Peer-to-Peer Computing (P2P 2004)*, Zurich, Switzerland, August 2004.
- *Southern California Parallel Processing and Computer Architecture Workshop*, Los Angeles, California, May 2004.
- *Sixth Joint Modular Languages Conference (JMLC 2003)*, Klagenfurt, Austria, August 2003.
- *Ninth International Workshop on Compilers for Parallel Computers (CPC 2001)*, Edinburgh, Scotland, June 2001.
- *Fourth IEEE International Symposium on Object-Oriented Real-Time Distributed Computing (ISORC 2001)*, Magdeburg, Germany, May 2001.
- *Workshop on Binary Translation* (in conjunction with the International Conference on Parallel Architectures and Compilation Techniques, PACT '99), Newport Beach, California, October 1999.
- *ACM Sigplan Conference on Programming Language Design and Implementation (PLDI'98)*, Montreal, Canada, June 1998.
- *Fourth Joint Modular Languages Conference (JMLC'97)*, Linz, Austria, March 1997.

Other Service

- Member, *IEEE Computer Society Fellows Evaluation Committee*; 2023.
- Member, *IEEE Computer Society Fellows Evaluation Committee*; 2022.
- Member, *Fraunhofer CyberStar Award for Graduate Students in Israel Selection Committee*; 2020–2021.
- Member, *IEEE Computer Society Fellows Evaluation Committee*; 2020.
- Member, *IEEE Computer Society Publication Board Best Paper Award (BPA) Committee for IEEE Transactions on Dependable and Secure Computing (TDSC)*; 2019.
- Member, *Fraunhofer CyberStar Award for Graduate Students in Israel Selection Committee*; 2019–2020.
- Member, *IEEE Computer Society Fellows Evaluation Committee*; 2019.
- Full Voting Member, *IFIP Working Group 2.4 (“Software Implementation Technology”)*, 2002 – 2018 (elevated to Emeritus Member in July 2018).
- Member, *IFIP Working Group 11.3 (“Data and Application Security and Privacy”)*, 2008 – 2017.
- Shadow PC Member, *2017 ACM Asia Conference on Computer and Communications Security (ASIACCS 2017)*, Abu Dhabi, UAE; April 2017.
- Member, *IEEE Computer Society Fellows Evaluation Committee*; 2016.
- Nomination Committee Member, MacArthur Fellows Program, *John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation*; 2016.
- External Review Committee Member, *28th European Conference on Object-Oriented Programming (ECOOP'2014)*, Uppsala, Sweden; July/August 2014.
- External Review Committee Member, *ACM Research Conference on Object-Oriented Programming (OOPSLA 2013)*, Indianapolis, Indiana; October 2013.
- External Review Committee (ERC) Member, *ACM Sigplan Conference on Programming Language Design and Implementation (PLDI 2013)*, Seattle, Washington; June 2013.
- Paper Shepherd, *2011 New Security Paradigms Workshop (NSPW 2011)*, Sonoma, California; September 2011.
- Organization Committee Member and Sponsorship co-chair, *EuroSys 2011*, Salzburg, Austria; March 2011.

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- Organizing Committee Member (Student Travel Chair), *Fourteenth International Conference on Architectural Support for Programming Languages and Operating Systems (ASPLOS '09)*, Washington, D.C.; March 2009.
- Panels Chair and Conference Committee Member, *24th Annual Computer Security Applications Conference (ACSAC 2008)*, Anaheim, California; December 2008.
- Steering Committee Member, *ACM SIGPLAN/SIGOPS/USENIX International Conference Series on Virtual Execution Environments (VEE)*, 2004 – 2008.
- Local Arrangements Chair, *IFIP WG2.4 Working Meeting*, Arrowhead, California, May 2007.
- Local Arrangements Co-Chair, *New Security Paradigms Workshop (NSPW 2006)*, Dagstuhl, Germany, September 2006.
- **Founding Steering Committee Co-Chair** (with Sam Midkiff of Purdue University), *ACM SIGPLAN/SIGOPS/USENIX International Conference Series on Virtual Execution Environments (VEE)*, September 2004 – June 2005.
- **General Chair**, *ACM SIGPLAN 2004 Workshop on Interpreters, Virtual Machines and Emulators (IVME 2004)*, Washington, D.C., June 2004.
- Observer, *IFIP Working Group 2.4*, February 1998 – November 2002 (elected to full membership on November 14th).
- Tutorials Chair, *ACM Sigplan Conference on Programming Language Design and Implementation (PLDI 2000)*, Vancouver, Canada, June 2000.
- Local Arrangements Co-Chair, *Third IEEE International Symposium on Object-Oriented Real-Time Distributed Computing (ISORC 2000)*, Newport Beach, California, March 2000.
- Executive Committee Member, *The Institute for Software Research at UC Irvine*, July 1999–January 2002.
- Charter Member, *The Institute for Software Research at UC Irvine*, July 1999.
- Session Organizer and Host, *Bay Area Round Table (BART)*, Palo Alto, California, February 1999.
- Executive Committee Member, *Irvine Research Unit in Software (IRUS)* [precursor to The Institute for Software Research], January 1996 – June 1999.
- Swiss Delegate to *IFIP Technical Committee No. 2*, “Software: Theory and Practice,” 1995–1996 term.
- Program Committee Chair, *Oberon Track at the First Joint Annual Conference of the Gesellschaft für Informatik and the Schweizer Informatiker Gesellschaft*, Zürich, September 1995.
- Executive Committee Member, *Special Interest Group on Oberon of the Schweizer Informatiker Gesellschaft*, 1994–1996.
- Organizing Committee Member, *Conference on Programming Languages and System Architectures*, Zürich, March 1994.

Grant Application Review Panel Member

- *National Science Foundation, Program on Software and Trusted Computing (SaTC)*, Arlington, Virginia, January 2016.
- *National Science Foundation, Program on Software and Trusted Computing (SaTC)*, Arlington, Virginia, October 2012.
- *National Science Foundation, Program on Software and Trusted Computing (SaTC)*, Arlington, Virginia, May 2012.
- *National Science Foundation, Program on Computer and Network Systems*, Arlington, Virginia, April 2009.
- *National Science Foundation, Program on Foundations of Computing Processes and Artifacts*, Arlington, Virginia, February 2007.
- *National Science Foundation, CAREER Program in CyberTrust*, Arlington, Virginia, November 2005.

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- *National Science Foundation, CAREER Program in Networking and Security*, Arlington, Virginia, November 2003.
- *National Science Foundation, Program in Embedded & Hybrid Systems*, Arlington, Virginia, June 2002.

Invited Keynotes, Presentations and Panels at Conferences

- M. Franz; “Fast and Furious: How the Web got Turbo Charged Just In Time...,” *ACM Breakthrough Lecture, ASPLOS 2022*, Lausanne, Switzerland, March 2022.
- M. Franz; “Cyber Attacks And Defenses: Trends, Challenges, and Outlook,” *CyberSecurity@KAIST Workshop*, Daejeon, South Korea, June 2018.
- M. Franz; “From Fine Grained Code Diversity to Execute-No-Read: The Cat and Mouse Game Between Attackers and Defenders Continues,” *2nd ACM Workshop on Moving Target Defense (MTD 2015)*, Denver, Colorado; October 2014.
- M. Franz; “Biologically Inspired Software Defenses,” *Fifteenth High Confidence Software and Systems Conference (HCSS 2015)*, Annapolis, Maryland; May 2015.
- M. Franz; “Code Diversity and Biologically Inspired Computer Defenses” (Invited Keynote), *TTI/Vanguard Reprogramming Programming*, Arlington, Virginia; September/October 2014.
- M. Franz; “Software Diversity as a Cyber Defense” (Invited Keynote), *The Next Generation Malware Attacks and Defense Workshop (NGMAD)*, New Orleans, Louisiana; December 2013.
- M. Franz; “Eliminating the Insider Threat in Software Development by Combining Parallelism, Randomization and Checkpointing” (Invited Keynote Address); *Fourth Annual Cyber Security and Information Intelligence Research Workshop (CSIRW’08)*, Oak Ridge National Laboratory, Oak Ridge, Tennessee; May 2008.
- M. Franz; “Security and Privacy in Service Oriented Architectures” (Panelist); *21st Annual IFIP WG 11.3 Working Conference on Data and Applications Security (DBSEC’07)*, Redondo Beach, California; July 2007.
- M. Franz; “Erinnerungen und Ausblicke: Was haben wir gelernt? Und was soll die nächste Generation lernen?” (Invited Panelist); *Tag der Informatik*, ETH Zurich, Switzerland, October 2006.
- M. Franz; “A New Approach to Embedded Java” (Invited Keynote Address); *Mobile Information & Communication Systems, Scientific Conference*, Zurich, Switzerland, October 2006.
- M. Franz; “Pervasive Security” (Panelist); *Software Security Panel, National Science Foundation, Trusted Computing Program, PI Meeting*, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; August 2004.
- M. Franz; “Safe Code: It’s Not Just For Applets Anymore” (Invited Keynote Address); *Sixth Joint Modular Languages Conference (JMLC 2003)*, Klagenfurt, Austria, August 2003.
- M. Franz; “Pervasive Security” (Panelist); *Trusted Computing Panel, National Science Foundation, Trusted Computing Program, PI Meeting*, Baltimore, Maryland; August 2003.
- M. Franz; “The Source is The Proof” (Panelist); *NSPW Panel, 18th Annual Computer Security Applications Conference (ACSAC-18)*, Las Vegas, Nevada; December 2002.
- M. Franz; “Extensible Programming: Ein neues Paradigma für die Softwareentwicklung” (Invited Keynote Address, in German); *Moderne Programmierparadigmen*, conference sponsored by Gesellschaft für Informatik, FH Braunschweig-Wolfenbüttel, Germany; October 1994.

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Meeting Participation By Invitation († = I gave a presentation, ‡ = my student gave a presentation, * = I presented a poster)

Note: Presentations at conferences with proceedings are documented under “Publications“ above and are not listed again here.

- ‡ “Außen- und sicherheitspolitische Aspekte chinesischer Komponenten in der deutschen Netzinfrastruktur,” closed expert workshop at the German Foreign Ministry, Berlin, Germany, June 2023.
- ‡ *Black Hat Briefings 2020*, Las Vegas, Nevada, August 2020.
- † *Third AmSEC Workshop on Systems Security*, Amsterdam, Netherlands, October 2019.
- ‡ *Black Hat Briefings 2019*, Las Vegas, Nevada, August 2019.
- ‡ *Qualcomm Product Security Summit*, San Diego, California, May 2019.
- *DARPA Cyber Fault-tolerant Attack Recovery (CFAR) PI Meeting*, Chantilly, Virginia, January 2018.
- † *IFIP WG2.4 Working Meeting*, Essex, Vermont, October 2017.
- *DARPA Cyber Fault-tolerant Attack Recovery (CFAR) PI Meeting*, Chantilly, Virginia, May/June 2017.
- † *IFIP WG2.4 Working Meeting*, Dresden, Germany, December 2016.
- *DARPA Cyber Fault-tolerant Attack Recovery (CFAR) PI Meeting*, Chantilly, Virginia, November 2016.
- *DARPA Cyber Fault-tolerant Attack Recovery (CFAR) PI Meeting*, Arlington, Virginia, April 2016.
- *DARPA Cyber Fault-tolerant Attack Recovery (CFAR) PI Meeting*, Arlington, Virginia, January 2016.
- † *M.I.T. Invitational Think-Shop on Multi-Spectrum Metrics for Cyber Defense*, sponsored by the National Science Foundation, Arlington, Virginia; December 2015.
- *DARPA Cyber Fault-tolerant Attack Recovery (CFAR) PI Meeting*, Arlington, Virginia, November 2015.
- † *DARPA Cyber Fault-tolerant Attack Recovery (CFAR) PI Meeting*, Arlington, Virginia, August 2015.
- † *DARPA Cyber Fault-tolerant Attack Recovery (CFAR) Kick-Off PI Meeting*, Arlington, Virginia, May 2015.
- † *DARPA Joint Clean-Slate Design of Resilient, Secure Hosts (CRASH) & Mission-Oriented Resilient Clouds (MRC) PI Meeting*, Jacksonville, Florida, September 2014.
- † *IFIP WG2.4 Working Meeting*, Asilomar, Pacific Grove, California, February 2014.
- † *DARPA Joint Clean-Slate Design of Resilient, Secure Hosts (CRASH) & Mission-Oriented Resilient Clouds (MRC) PI Meeting*, San Diego, California, January 2014.
- † *M.I.T. Invitational Think-Shop on Multi-Spectrum Metrics for Cyber Defense*, sponsored by the National Science Foundation, Cambridge, Massachusetts; October 2013.
- *Facebook Faculty Summit*, Menlo Park, California, August 2013.
- † *DARPA Joint Clean-Slate Design of Resilient, Secure Hosts (CRASH) & Mission-Oriented Resilient Clouds (MRC) PI Meeting*, Park Ridge, New Jersey, May 2013.
- * *National Security Agency, First Annual Science of Security (SoS) Community Meeting*, National Harbor, Maryland, November 2012.
- † *DARPA Joint Clean-Slate Design of Resilient, Secure Hosts (CRASH) & Mission-Oriented Resilient Clouds (MRC) PI Meeting*, San Diego, California, November 2012.
- *DARPA Mission-oriented Resilient Clouds (MRC) Program, PI Meeting*, San Diego, California, October 2012.

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- † *DARPA Clean-Slate Design of Resilient, Secure Hosts (CRASH) Program, PI Meeting*, Boston, Massachusetts, May 2012.
- *DARPA Colloquium on Future Directions in Cyber Security*, Arlington, Virginia, November 2011.
- † *DARPA Clean-Slate Design of Resilient, Secure Hosts (CRASH) Program, PI Meeting*, Arlington, Virginia, November 2011.
- † *2nd Army Research Office (ARO) Workshop on Moving Target Defense*, Fairfax, Virginia, October 2011.
- † *DARPA Clean-Slate Design of Resilient, Secure Hosts (CRASH) Program, PI Meeting*, San Jose, California, May 2011.
- *Microsoft Research Faculty Summit*, Redmond, Washington, July 2010.
- † *IFIP WG2.4 Working Meeting*, Berg en Terblijt, Netherlands, January 2010.
- *Networking and Information Technology Research and Development (NITRD) Program, National Cyber Leap Year Summit*, Arlington, Virginia, August 2009.
- † *National Intelligence Community, Enterprise Cyber Assurance Program (NICECAP), PI Meeting*, Washington, D.C., September 2008.
- *Google Faculty Summit*, Mountain View, California, July 2008.
- † *National Intelligence Community, Enterprise Cyber Assurance Program (NICECAP), Reverse Site Visit*, Jessup, Maryland, January 2008.
- † *NCDI Workshop on Game-changing Solutions for Cyber Security* (jointly sponsored by NSF, DHS, IARPA, NSA, ONR, and OSD), College Park, Maryland, November 2007.
- † *National Intelligence Community, Enterprise Cyber Assurance Program (NICECAP), PI Meeting*, Boston, Massachusetts, September 2007.
- *U.S. Department of Energy Workshop on Cyber Security Research Needs for Open Science*, Bethesda, Maryland, July 2007.
- † *IFIP WG2.4 Working Meeting*, Arrowhead, California, May 2007.
- † *National Intelligence Community, Enterprise Cyber Assurance Program (NICECAP), Program Kick-Off Meeting*, Chantilly, Virginia, March 2007.
- † *U.S. Department of Homeland Security, S&T CyberSecurity R&D PI Meeting*, Menlo Park, California, February 2007.
- † *National Science Foundation Safe Computing Workshop*, Albuquerque, New Mexico, November/December 2006.
- † *U.S. Department of Homeland Security, S&T CyberSecurity R&D PI Meeting*, Arlington, Virginia, August 2006.
- † *IFIP WG2.4 Working Meeting*, Glasgow, Scotland, July 2006.
- *The First Workshop on Advances in Trusted Computing*, Tokyo, Japan, March 2006.
- † *U.S. Department of Homeland Security, S&T CyberSecurity R&D PI Meeting*, Menlo Park, California, January 2006.
- *National Science Foundation, Trusted Computing Program, PI Meeting*, Newport Beach, California, September 2005.
- † *U.S. Department of Homeland Security, BAA 04-17, Program Kick-Off Meeting*, Arlington, Virginia, July 2005.

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- *Microsoft Academic Days in Silicon Valley*, Mountain View, California, October 2004.
- *Microsoft Research 2004 Faculty Summit*, Redmond, Washington, August 2004.
- † *Southern California Parallel Processing and Computer Architecture Workshop*, Los Angeles, California, May 2004.
- † *ONR Critical Infrastructure Protection, Mobile Code Program, Final Review*, Annapolis, Maryland, May 2004.
- † *IFIP WG2.4 Working Meeting*, Brisbane, Australia, March 2004.
- † *IFIP WG2.4 Working Meeting*, Santa Cruz, California, August 2003.
- † *ONR Critical Infrastructure Protection, Mobile Code Program, PI Meeting*, Ithaca, New York, July 2003.
- † *ONR Critical Infrastructure Protection, Mobile Code Program, Review Meeting*, Arlington, Virginia, June 2003.
- *DARPA Organically Assured and Survivable Information Systems (OASIS) Program, PI Meeting*, Fort Lauderdale, Florida, January 2003.
- † *ONR Critical Infrastructure Protection, Mobile Code Program, PI Meeting*, Irvine, California, January 2003.
- † *IFIP WG2.4 Working Meeting*, Dagstuhl, Germany, November 2002.
- † *DARPA Organically Assured and Survivable Information Systems (OASIS) Program, PI Meeting*, Santa Rosa, California, August 2002.
- † *ONR Critical Infrastructure Protection, Mobile Code Program, PI Meeting*, State College, Pennsylvania, July 2002.
- † *IFIP WG2.4 Working Meeting*, Simon's Town, South Africa, March 2002.
- † *Southern California Parallel Processing and Computer Architecture Workshop*, Irvine, California, February 2002.
- † *ONR Critical Infrastructure Protection, Mobile Code Program, PI Meeting*, Melbourne, Florida; January 2002.
- † *DARPA Organically Assured and Survivable Information Systems (OASIS) Program, PI Meeting*, Santa Fe, New Mexico; July 2001.
- † *ONR Critical Infrastructure Protection, Mobile Code Program, PI Meeting*, Arlington, Virginia; July 2001.
- † *Symposium on Research in Mobile Computing Systems*, Zurich, Switzerland; May 2001.
- † *DARPA Organically Assured and Survivable Information Systems (OASIS) Program, PI Meeting*, Norfolk, Virginia; February 2001.
- *University of Washington and Microsoft Research Summer Institute 2000, "Accelerating the Pace of Software Tools Research: Sharing Infrastructure"*, hosted by C. Chambers, D. Notkin, A. Srivastava, and B. Zorn; Seattle, Washington; August 2000.
- † *DARPA Intrusion Tolerant Systems (ITS) Program, PI Meeting*, Honolulu, Hawaii; July 2000.
- ‡ *17th Gesellschaft für Informatik (GI) Workshop on Programming Languages and Computing Concepts (with Special Emphasis on Software Components)*, Bad Honnef, Germany; May 2000.
- † *DARPA Intrusion Tolerant Systems (ITS) Program, PI Meeting*, Aspen, Colorado; February 2000.
- † *DARPA Intrusion Tolerant Systems (ITS) Program, PI Meeting*, Phoenix, Arizona; August 1999.
- *National Science Foundation CAREER Program, PI Meeting*, Washington, D.C.; January 1999.
- † *Southern California Parallel Processing and Computer Architecture Workshop*, Irvine, California; March 1998.
- † *International Workshop on Component-Oriented Programming*, Linz, Austria; July 1996.
- *Third International Workshop on Workstation Operating Systems*, Key Biscayne, Florida; April 1992.

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Administrative Service

- University of California, Member, *UCI Information Security & Privacy Committee*, 2023–24, 2024–2025, 2025–2026.
- University of California, Inaugural Member, *UCI Cybersecurity Oversight Committee*, 2022–23, 2023–24.
- Department of Computer Science, *Faculty Search Committee, Positions in Systems*, 2017–18, 2018–19, 2019–20, 2020–21, 2022–23.
- Donald Bren School of Information and Computer Science, Chair, *Computing and Network Policy Committee*, 2016–17, 2017–18, 2018–19, 2019–20, 2020–21, 2021–22.
- University of California, Vice Chair, *Irvine Campus Council on Planning and Budget*, 2015–2016, 2016–2017.
- University of California, Member, *Irvine Campus Council on Planning and Budget*, 2014–2015.
- Donald Bren School of Information and Computer Science, *Software Engineering Steering Committee*, 2013–2014, 2014–2015, 2015–2016, 2016–2017, 2017–2018.
- Department of Computer Science, *CS Graduate Admissions Committee*, 2016–2017.
- Department of Computer Science, *CS Admission and Graduate Student Planning Committee*, 2013–2014, 2014–2015, 2015–2016.
- University of California, Irvine, *5-year Organized Research Unit Review Committee for the Center for Embedded Computer Systems (CECS)*, 2012.
- Donald Bren School of Information and Computer Science, *Executive Committee*, 2007–2008.
- Donald Bren School of Information and Computer Science, Chair, *Computing and Network Policy Committee*, 2005–2006, 2006–2007, 2008–2009.
- Donald Bren School of Information and Computer Science, *Marketing and Outreach Committee*, 2004–2005.
- University of California, *Irvine Campus Council on Undergraduate Admissions and Relations with Schools and Colleges*, 2000–2004.
- Donald Bren School of Information and Computer Science, Chair, *Faculty Search Committee, Position in Security and Cryptography*, 2002–2003.
- Donald Bren School of Information and Computer Science, *Committee on Graduate Policy*, 2002–2003.
- ICS Department, Chair, *Committee on Space Policy*, 2001–2002.
- ICS Department, *Faculty Search Committee, Position in Cryptography and Security*, 2000–2001.
- ICS Department, *Committee on Graduate Policy*, 2000–2001.
- ICS Department, *Ad-Hoc Faculty Search Committee, “Systems” Position*, 1999–2000.
- ICS Department, *Committee on Educational Policy*, 1999–2000.
- ICS Department, *Executive Committee*, 1998–1999.
- ICS Department, *Committee on Undergraduate Policy*, 1998–1999.
- ICS Department, *Faculty Search Committee, Multiple Positions in Interdisciplinary Applications of Computer Science*, 1998–1999. (Committee reviewed 170 applications = 4 linear feet of files and filled three open faculty positions.)
- University of California, *Irvine Campus Committee on Undergraduate Admissions and Relations with Schools and Colleges*, 1997–2000.

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- ICS Department, *Committee on Graduate Policy*, 1997–1998.
- ICS Department, *Committee on Graduate Admissions*, 1997–1998.
- ICS Department, *Faculty Search Committee, Position in “Informatics,”* 1997–1998.
- University of California, *Irvine Campus Representative Assembly*, 1996–1997.
- ICS Department, *Committee on Personnel*, 1996–1997.
- ICS Department, *Faculty Search Committee, Position in Software Engineering*, 1995–1996.

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Teaching Activities

Teaching Awards

- *Dean's Award for Graduate Student Mentoring*, Donald Bren School of Information and Computer Sciences, UC Irvine, 2022.
- *Dean's Award for Graduate Student Mentoring*, Donald Bren School of Information and Computer Sciences, UC Irvine, 2016, "For his outstanding mentoring of doctoral students over the last decade."
- *Dean's Award for Graduate Student Mentoring*, Donald Bren School of Information and Computer Sciences, UC Irvine, 2007.
- *Outstanding Professor of the Year Award*, Graduating Class of 2007, UC Irvine.

Post-Doctoral Habilitation Theses Supervised

- Dr. Christian Herrman, Universität Ulm, Germany; thesis: "Verbesserte prozedurale Programmiersprachen" (Improved Procedural Programming Languages); March 2007.

Post-Doctoral Fellows Supervised

1. Dr. Wolfram Amme
(January–December 2000; first subsequent position: Privatdozent at the *University of Jena*, Germany).
2. Dr. Won-Kee Hong
(October 2001–October 2002; first subsequent position: Assistant Professor at *Daegu University*, South Korea).
3. Dr. Fermin Reig
(October 2001–July 2003; first subsequent position: Postdoc at *University of Nottingham*, United Kingdom).
4. Dr. Roxana Diaconescu
(January 2003–September 2004; first subsequent position: PostDoc at *California Institute of Technology (Caltech)*, Pasadena, California).
5. Dr. Christian Probst
(January 2003–May 2005; first subsequent position: Assistant Professor at the *Technical University of Denmark (DTU)*, Lyngby, Denmark).
6. Dr. Andreas Gal
(January 2007–February 2010, first subsequent position: Researcher at *Mozilla*, Mountain View, California).
7. Dr. Christian Stork
(March 2007–September 2008).
8. Dr. Christian Wimmer
(July 2008–April 2011, first subsequent position: Principal Member of Technical Staff, *Oracle Sun Labs*, Redwood Shores, California).
9. Dr. Stefan Brunthaler
(April 2011–June 2015, first subsequent position: Key Researcher at *SBA Research*, Vienna, Austria).
10. Dr. Per Larsen
(September 2011–June 2015, first subsequent position: Chief Executive Officer of *Immunant*, Irvine, California).
11. Dr. Stijn Volckaert
(December 2015–July 2018, first subsequent position: Assistant Professor at *KU Leuven*, Belgium).

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12. Dr. Yeoul Na
(July 2016–March 2020, first subsequent position: Software Engineer at *Apple*, Cupertino, California).
13. Dr. David Gens
(March 2019–June 2022; first subsequent position: Software Engineer at *Cerebras Systems*, Sunnyvale, California).
14. Dr. Adrian Dabrowski
(May 2019–April 2022; first subsequent position: Researcher at *CISPA Helmholtz Center for Information Security*, Saarbrücken, Germany).
15. Dr. Dokyung Song
(January–March 2021, first subsequent position: Assistant Professor at *Yonsei University*, Seoul, South Korea).
16. Dr. Felicitas Hetzelt
(August 2022–November 2023. first subsequent position: Security Software Engineer at *Apple*, Paris, France).

Graduated Ph.D. Students (Principal Advisor and Dissertation Committee Chair)

1. Thomas Kistler
(affiliated in April 1995, candidacy: February 1998, final defense: November 1999; thesis: “Continuous Program Optimization;” first employment after graduation: *Transmeta, Inc.*, Santa Clara, California).
2. Peter H. Fröhlich
(affiliated in September 1998; advanced to candidacy in May 2001; final defense in March 2003; thesis: “The Structure of Component-Oriented Programming Languages;” first employment after graduation: *University of California, Riverside*, California).
3. Jeffery von Ronne
(affiliated in September 1999; advanced to candidacy in February 2003; final defense in July 2005; thesis: “A Safe and Efficient Machine-Independent Code Transportation Format Based on Static Single Assignment Form and Applied to Just-In-Time Compilation;” first employment after graduation: *University of Texas at San Antonio*).
4. Vivek Haldar
(affiliated in August 2000; advanced to candidacy: November 2002; final defense: February 2006; thesis: “Semantic Remote Attestation;” first employment after graduation: *Google*, Santa Monica, California).
5. Efe Yardimci
(affiliated in August 2001; advanced to candidacy: November 2003; final defense: March 2006; thesis: “Exploiting Parallelism to Improve the Performance of Sequential Binary Executables;” first employment after graduation: *Advanced Micro Devices (AMD)*, Santa Clara, California).
6. Christian H. Stork
(affiliated in September 1998; advanced to candidacy: May 2001; final defense: August 2006; thesis: “WELL: A Language-Agnostic Foundation for Compact and Provably Safe Mobile Code;” first employment after graduation: Postdoc at *University of California, Irvine*).
7. Deepak Chandra
(affiliated in August 2001; advanced to candidacy: March 2004; final defense: September 2006; thesis: “Information Flow Analysis and Enforcement in Java Bytecode;” first employment after graduation: *Google*, Irvine, California).
8. Andreas Gal
(affiliated in January 2002; advanced to candidacy: December 2003; final defense: November 2006; thesis: “Efficient Bytecode Compilation and Verification in a Virtual Machine;” first employment after graduation: Postdoc at *University of California, Irvine*).

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9. Matthew Beers
(affiliated in September 1999; advanced to candidacy: July 2002; final defense: March 2007; thesis: “Shifting the Burden of Code Optimization to the Code Producer,” first employment after graduation: *Ocean Tomo* Intellectual Capital Equity, San Francisco, California).
10. Ning Wang
(affiliated in September 2001; advanced to candidacy: September 2004; final defense: May 2007; thesis: “From Assumptions to Assertions: A Sound and Precise Points-to Analysis for the C Language,” first employment after graduation: *Fortify Software*, Palo Alto, California).
11. Vasanth Venkatachalam
(affiliated in September 2002; advanced to candidacy: September 2003; final defense: May 2007; thesis: “Self-Calibrating Processor Speed: A New Feedback Loop For Dynamic Voltage Scaling Control;” first employment after graduation: *Advanced Micro Devices (AMD)*, Austin, Texas).
12. Lei Wang
(affiliated in June 2001; advanced to candidacy: September 2004; final defense: June 2009; thesis: “Automatic Program Partitioning to Alleviate Resource Constraints of Object-Oriented Applications;” first employment after graduation: *Microsoft*, Redmond, Washington).
13. Babak Salamat
(affiliated in January 2007; advanced to candidacy: May 2007; final defense: June 2009; thesis: “Multi-Variant Execution: Run-Time Defense Against Malicious Code Injection Attacks;” first employment after graduation: *Yahoo*, Sunnyvale, California).
14. Michael Bebenita
(affiliated in January 2007; advanced to candidacy in May 2009; final defense: October 2011; thesis: “Trace-Based Compilation and Optimization in Meta-Circular Virtual Execution Environments;” first employment after graduation: *Mozilla*, Mountain View, California).
15. Gregor Wagner
(affiliated in September 2007; advanced to candidacy in May 2009; final defense: October 2011; thesis: “Domain Specific Memory Management in a Modern Web Browser;” first employment after graduation: *Mozilla*, Mountain View, California).
16. Mason Liu Chang
(affiliated in June 2007; advanced to candidacy in May 2009; final defense: February 2012; thesis: “Efficient Analysis and Optimization of Dynamically Typed Languages;” first employment after graduation: *Mozilla*, Mountain View, California).
17. Todd Morris Jackson
(affiliated in September 2007; advancement to candidacy in June 2009; final defense: May 2012; thesis: “On the Design, Implications, and Effects of Implementing Software Diversity for Security;” first employment after graduation: *Google*, Mountain View, California).
18. Christoph Kerschbaumer
(affiliated in Summer 2010; advancement to candidacy in November 2011; final defense: March 2014; thesis: “Probabilistic Information Flow Control in Modern Web Browsers;” first employment after graduation: *Mozilla*, Mountain View, California).
19. Eric Hennigan
(affiliated in July 2008; advancement to candidacy in April 2011; final defense: December 2014; thesis: “From FlowCore to JitFlow: Improving the Speed of Information Flow in JavaScript;” first employment after graduation: *Google*, Mountain View, California).
20. Marcelo Cintra
(affiliated in December 2007; advancement to candidacy in November 2009, final defense: April 2015; thesis:

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- “Just-in-Time Compilation Techniques for Hardware/Software Co-Designed Processors;” first employment after graduation: *Intel*, Santa Clara, California).
21. Andrei Homescu
(affiliated in Fall 2010; advancement to candidacy in March 2012, final defense: April 2015; thesis: “Securing Statically and Dynamically Compiled Programs using Software Diversity;” first employment after graduation: *Immunant*, Irvine, California).
 22. Codrut Stancu
(affiliated in Summer 2012; advancement to candidacy in May 2013, final defense: May 2015; thesis: “Safe and Efficient Hybrid Memory Management for Java;” first employment after graduation: *Oracle*, Redwood Shores, California).
 23. Wei Zhang
(affiliated in Spring 2011; advancement to candidacy in November 2011, final defense: June 2015; thesis: “Efficient Hosted Interpreters for Dynamic Languages;” first employment after graduation: *Twitter*, San Francisco, California).
 24. Stephen Crane
(affiliated in Fall 2011; advancement to candidacy in August 2013, final defense: June 2015; thesis: “Enhancing and Extending Software Diversity;” first employment after graduation: *Immunant*, Irvine, California).
 25. Gulfem Savrun Yeniceri
(affiliated in Fall 2010; advancement to candidacy in January 2013, final defense: November 2015; thesis: “Efficient Interpreters and Profilers for Hosted Dynamic Languages;” first employment after graduation: *Intel*, Santa Clara, California).
 26. Julian Lettner
(affiliated in Fall 2013; advancement to candidacy in March 2016, final defense: August 2018; thesis: “Finding and Mitigating Memory Corruption Errors in Systems Software;” first employment after graduation: *Apple*, Cupertino, California).
 27. Brian Belleville
(affiliated in Fall 2013; advancement to candidacy in June 2016, final defense: August 2018; thesis: “Security Applications of Static Program Analysis;” first employment after graduation: *Google*, Mountain View, California).
 28. Mohaned Qunaibit
(affiliated in Summer 2014; advancement to candidacy in March 2016, final defense: March 2019; thesis: “Accelerating Dynamically-Typed Language on Heterogeneous Platforms;” first employment after graduation: *Oracle*, Redwood Shores, California).
 29. Joseph Nash
(affiliated in Summer 2015; advancement to candidacy in May 2018, final defense: May 2020; thesis: “Binary Recompilation via Dynamic Analysis and the Protection of Control and Data-Flows Therein;” first employment after graduation: *Advanced Micro Devices (AMD)*, Boxborough, Massachusetts).
 30. Alexios Voulimeneas
(affiliated in Summer 2015; advancement to candidacy in June 2018, final defense: May 2020; thesis: “Building the Next Generation of Security Focused NVX Systems: Overcoming Limitations of N-Variant Execution;” first employment after graduation: Post-Doctoral Researcher at *K U Leuven*, Belgium).
 31. Prabhu Karthikeyan Rajasekaran
(affiliated in Spring 2015; advancement to candidacy in May 2018, final defense: May 2020; thesis: “Practical Run-Time Mitigations Against Data-Oriented Attacks;” first employment after graduation: *Google*, Mountain View, California).

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32. Anil Altinay
(affiliated in Summer 2015; advancement to candidacy in June 2018, final defense: May 2020; thesis: “Dynamic Binary Lifting and Recompileation;” first employment after graduation: *Google*, Mountain View, California).
33. Taemin Park
(affiliated in Summer 2015; advancement to candidacy in May 2018, final defense: May 2020; thesis: “Comprehensive Protection for Dynamically-Typed Languages: Avoiding the Pitfalls of Language-Level Sandboxing;” first employment after graduation: *Intel*, Santa Clara, California).
34. Dokyung Song
(affiliated in Fall 2016; advancement to candidacy in May 2019, final defense: December 2020; thesis: “Precise and Efficient Dynamic Analysis of Systems Software;” after a brief period as a Post-Doctoral Researcher at UCI started as an Assistant Professor at *Yonsei University*, Seoul, South Korea).
35. Paul Kirth
(affiliated in Fall 2016; advancement to candidacy in March 2019, final defense: November 2021; thesis: “Practical Methods for Automatic Intra-Process Compartmentalization with MPK;” first employment after graduation: *Google*, Mountain View, California).
36. Min-Yi Hsu
(affiliated in Fall 2018; advancement to candidacy in March 2021; final defense: July 2023; thesis: “Efficient Program Analyses that Scale to Large Codebases;” first employment after graduation: *SiFive*, San Mateo, California).
37. Fabian Parzefall
(affiliated in Summer 2018; advancement to candidacy in November 2021; final defense: May 2024; thesis: “Dynamic Program Analysis Enhanced Binary Recompileation;” first employment after graduation: *Meta*, Mountain View, California).
38. Chinmay Diwakar Deshpande
(affiliated in Fall 2019; advancement to candidacy in September 2022; final defense: May 2024; thesis: “Practical Recompileation of Multithreaded Binaries: Choreographing Static and Dynamic Techniques;” first employment after graduation: *AMD*, Santa Clara, California).
39. Mitchel Dickerson
(affiliated in Summer 2018; advancement to candidacy in May 2022; final defense: February 2025; thesis: “Practical Python FPGA Acceleration with Fast Just-In-Time Compilation and Configuration;” first employment after graduation: *MediaTek*, Woburn, Massachusetts).
40. André Rösti
(affiliated in Fall 2022; advancement to candidacy in May 2024; final defense: March 2025; thesis: “Survivable Multi-Variant Execution for Security and Availability;” first employment after graduation: *AMD*, Longmont, Colorado).

Graduate Students Supervised as Principal Academic Advisor and Committee Chair

Advanced to Ph.D. Candidacy (in order of advancement date)

1. Tianjiao Huang (from Summer 2023; advancement to candidacy in May 2024)

Not Yet Advanced to Candidacy (in order of affiliation date)

2. Hongyu Chen (from Spring 2023)
3. Nicholas Baron (from Fall 2023)
4. Po-An (Billy) Chen (from Fall 2023)

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5. Md Mahbub Hossain Raton (from Fall 2023)
6. Weitao Sun (from Fall 2023)
7. James William McGowan (from Summer 2024)

Graduated Ph.D. Students (Co-Advisor and “Opponent” During Final Dissertation Defense)

1. Christian Wimmer, University of Linz, Austria
(final defense: March 2008; thesis: “Automatic Object Inlining in a Java Virtual Machine”).
2. Stefan Brunthaler, Technical University of Vienna, Austria
(final defense: February 2011; thesis: “Purely Interpretative Optimizations”).
3. Thomas Würthinger, Johannes-Kepler University of Linz, Austria
(final defense: April 2011; thesis: “Dynamic Code Evolution for Java”).
4. Christian Häubl, Johannes-Kepler University of Linz, Austria
(final defense: February 2015; thesis: “Generalized Trace Compilation for Java”).
5. Stijn Volckaert, University of Ghent, Belgium
(final defense: October 2015; thesis: “Advanced Techniques for Multi-Variant Execution”).
6. Victor van der Veen, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam, Netherlands
(final defense: October 2019; thesis: “When Memory Serves Not So Well—Memory Errors 30 Years Later”).
7. Robert E. Bühren, Technical University of Berlin, Germany
(final Defense: February 2022; thesis: “Resource Control Attacks against Encrypted Virtual Machines”).
8. Dominik Maier, Technical University of Berlin, Germany
(final Defense: June 2022; thesis: “Automated Security Testing of Unexplored Targets through Feedback-Guided Fuzzing”).
9. Felicitas Hetzelt, Technical University of Berlin, Germany
(final Defense: June 2022; thesis: “Security Analysis of Hardware-OS Interfaces in Linux”).
10. Julian Fietkau, Technical University of Berlin, Germany
(final Defense: August 2023; thesis: “Full-Stack Security. How Fingerprinting Thwarts Security Gaps Across All Layers”).
11. Vincent Ulitzsch, Technical University of Berlin, Germany
(final Defense: July 2025; thesis: “Ensuring Reliable and Secure Deployment Of Emergent Workloads On Modern Microprocessors”).

Other Ph.D. Students

Dissertation Committee Member

- Byron Hawkins, UC Irvine
(final defense: August 2017; committee chair: Brian Demsky; thesis: “Introspective Intrusion Detection”).
- Andreas Gerstlauer, UC Irvine
(final defense: April 2004, committee chair: Daniel D. Gajski; thesis: “Modeling Flow for Automated System Design and Exploration”).
- Ana Lucia Velloso Azevedo, UC Irvine
(final defense: October 2002; committee chair: Alexandru Nicolau; thesis: “Annotation-based Compiler Technology”).

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- Chang Liu, UC Irvine
(final defense: August 2002, committee chair: Debra J. Richardson; thesis: “Redundant Arrays of Independent Components”).
- Martin Burtcher, University of Colorado at Boulder
(final defense: April 2000, committee chair: Benjamin Zorn; thesis: “Improving Context-Based Load Value Prediction”).
- Jianwen Zhu, UC Irvine
(final defense: September 1999; committee chair: Daniel D. Gajski; thesis: “Behavioral Synthesis from an Extensible Object Oriented Language”).

Candidacy Committee Member

- Xiafa Wu, UC Irvine
(candidacy: June 2024; committee chair: Brian Demsky).
- Conan Truong, UC Irvine
(candidacy: June 2024; committee chair: Brian Demsky).
- Semen Pyankov, UC Irvine
(candidacy: February 2022; committee chair: Alexander Veidenbaum).
- Claudio Parra, UC Irvine
(candidacy: December 2020; committee chair: Isaac Scherson).
- Zhihao “Zephy” Yao, UC Irvine
(candidacy: May 2020; committee chair: Ardan Amiri Sani).
- Wail Alkowiileet, UC Irvine
(candidacy: November 2019; committee chair: Michael J. Carey).
- Ivan Oliveira Nunes, UC Irvine
(candidacy: December 2018; committee chair: Gene Tsudik).
- Tyler Kaczmarek, UC Irvine
(candidacy: December 2015; committee chair: Gene Tsudik).
- Lu Fang, UC Irvine
(candidacy: May 2014; committee chair: Guoqing Xu).
- Nicolae Savoiu, UC Irvine
(candidacy: September 1999; committee chair: Alexandru Nicolau).

M.Sc. Students Graduated from UC Irvine with Thesis Option

- Wail Alkowiileet, M.S. thesis committee member, graduated October 2013 (thesis: “NUMA-aware multicore Matrix Multiplication;” committee chair: Isaac Scherson).
- Alexander Yermolovich, primary M.S. advisor / committee chair, completed M.S. degree in May 2009 (thesis: “Efficient Execution of Binary and Guest Virtual Machines on Platform Independent Host Virtual Machines”).
- Mason Liu Chang, primary M.S. advisor / committee chair, completed M.S. degree in May 2009 (thesis: “Tracing for Web 3.0 – Trace Compilation for the Next Generation Web Applications”).
- Songmei Han, primary M.S. advisor, graduated with a M.S. in Computer Science in June 2003 (she also received a Ph.D. in Cognitive Science, for which Barbara Doshier was the advisor); subsequently a tenure-track Assistant Professor of Cognitive Science and Computer Science at SUNY Oswego and now Usability Engineer at Apollo Group.

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- Anjum Gupta, M.S. thesis committee member, graduated June 2003 (thesis: Design and Implementation of an Adaptive Cache on a Configurable Processor; committee chair: Rajesh Gupta).

Other Graduate Advising

- Jason Alaya, primary M.S. advisor, Fall 2020 – Spring 2022, graduated June 2022.
- Dixin Zhou, primary M.S. advisor, Spring 2018 – Spring 2019, graduated June 2019.
- Faraz Zaerpoor, primary M.S. advisor, Fall 2016 – Spring 2018.
- Anton Vasick, primary M.S. advisor, Summer 2015 – Spring 2018.
- Mark Murphy, research advisor, Fall 2010 – Fall 2015.
- Divya Varshini Agavalam Padmanabhan, primary M.S. advisor, graduated June 2016.
- Nikhil Gupta, primary M.S. advisor, graduated June 2016.
- Roeland Singer-Heinze, primary M.S. advisor, graduated June 2016.
- Stephen Neisius, primary M.S. advisor, graduated Summer 2014.
- Karthikeyan Manivannan, primary advisor, 2007– 2011.
- Sergiy Zhenochin, primary M.S. advisor / committee chair, graduated Fall 2001.
- Prashant Saraswat, primary M.S. advisor / committee chair, graduated Fall 2001.
- Hans-Christian Stadler, primary M.S. advisor / committee chair, graduated June 1998.

Undergraduate Honors Students Graduated from UC Irvine

- Jeffrey Meng (honors research advisor); graduated with honors in 2025; honors thesis: “Data Spacing To Support Binary Lifting and Cross Recompile Into CHERI”.
- James William McGowan (honors research advisor); graduated Summa Cum Laude in 2024; honors thesis: “Leveraging Superset Disassembly to Facilitate Partial Binary Rewriting and Hardening”.
- Anand Srinivasan (honors research advisor); graduated in 2024; honors thesis: “Hardware Acceleration of Tight Loops”.
- Eric Thomas Parsons (summer research advisor, Summer 2018).
- Muneeb Baig (honors research advisor); graduated Magna Cum Laude and Phi Beta Kappa in 2007; honors thesis: “Optimizing Array Bound Checking During Trace-Based Compilation”.
- Michael Masukawa (honors research advisor); graduated Summa Cum Laude and Phi Beta Kappa in 2007; honors thesis: “Dynamic Taint Propagation in Java Web Applications”.
- Jesse Morrow (honors research advisor); graduated Magna Cum Laude and Phi Beta Kappa in 2005.
- Matthew Chu (honors research advisor); graduated Phi Beta Kappa in 2004.
- Zachary Mouri (honors research advisor); graduated Phi Beta Kappa in 2004.
- Ronald Harvest (honors research advisor); graduated Summa Cum Laude and Phi Beta Kappa in 1999.
- Calvin Shen (honors research advisor); graduated Cum Laude in 1999.

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Other Undergraduate Advising

- Rasmus Tjalk-Boggild, visiting from DTU Lynby, Denmark, faculty research advisor; Summer 2016.
- Thomas Bourgenolle, visiting from ENSTA ParisTech, Paris, France, faculty research advisor; Summer 2015.
- Martin Imre, visiting from Technical University of Vienna, Austria, faculty research advisor; Summer 2015.
- Dominik Infuehr, visiting from Technical University of Vienna, Austria, faculty research advisor; Summer 2015.
- David Poetzsch-Heffter, visiting from University of Kaiserslautern, Germany, faculty research advisor; Summer 2015.
- Aditiya Verma, visiting from IIT (BHU) Varanasi, India, faculty research advisor; Summer 2015.
- William Lee, Troy Tech Senior Internship, supervisor; Summer 2015.
- Christos Ioannidis, visiting from University of Thessaly, Greece, faculty research advisor; Summer 2014.
- Mohit Mishra, visiting from Indian Institute of Technology, Varanasi, faculty research advisor; Summer 2014.
- Michalis Papamichail, visiting from Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Greece, faculty research advisor; Summer 2014.
- Martin Schleiss, visiting from Technical University of Vienna, Austria, faculty research advisor; Summer 2014.
- Henry Elias Hernandez, faculty research advisor, Summer 2014.
- Daniel Nima Salehi, faculty research advisor, Summer 2014.
- Michael Stewart, faculty research advisor, Summer/Fall 2011.
- Jeffrey Bosboom, NSF Research Experiences for Undergraduates Summer Scholar, faculty advisor, 2011.
- Shawn Merrill, NSF Research Experiences for Undergraduates Summer Scholar, faculty advisor, 2011.
- Chris Austin, NSF Research Experiences for Undergraduates Summer Scholar, faculty advisor, 2010.
- Daniel A. Ehrenberg, Carleton University, NSF Research Experiences for Undergraduates Summer Scholar, faculty advisor, 2010.
- Sean Kocol, honors research advisor, 2009.
- Jonathan Mood, honors research advisor, 2009.
- Adrian Tran, honors research advisor, 2009.
- Yaoxiang Zhou, honors research advisor, 2008.
- Raymond Yu, honors research advisor, 2007/08.
- Stephen C. Reed, California Alliance for Minority Participation in Science (CAMP) Summer Scholar, faculty advisor, 2004.

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Visiting Diploma Students Supervised at UC Irvine

- Urs Fässler, ETH Zürich, Switzerland, co-supervised with Th. Gross; March–September 2012.
- Alen Stojanov, École polytechnique fédérale de Lausanne (EPFL), Switzerland, co-supervised with M. Odersky; September 2011–March 2012.
- Dominik Lichtenauer, Johannes-Kepler University of Linz, Austria, co-supervised with H. Mössenböck, September 2011–March 2012.
- Stefan Rath, Technische Universität Graz, Austria, co-supervised with Ch. Steger; July–December 2010.
- Franz Maier, Technische Universität Graz, Austria, co-supervised with Ch. Steger; March–September 2010.
- Christoph Kerschbaumer, Technische Universität Graz, Austria, co-supervised with Ch. Steger; March–September 2008.
- Giacomo Amorosa, ETH Zürich, Switzerland, co-supervised with J. Gutknecht; February–August 2008.
- Katharina Seke, Technische Universität Graz, Austria, co-supervised with Ch. Steger; July 2006–October 2006.
- Gregor Wagner, Technische Universität Graz, Austria, co-supervised with Ch. Steger; March 2006–October 2006.
- Albert Noll, Technische Universität Graz, Austria, co-supervised with Ch. Steger; March 2006–September 2006.
- Michael Rauch, Technische Universität Graz, Austria, co-supervised with Ch. Steger; March 2006–September 2006.
- Isabella Thomm, Universität Erlangen-Nürnberg, Germany, co-supervised with W. Schroeder-Preikschat; November 2005–February 2006.
- Michael Stölkerich, Universität Erlangen-Nürnberg, Germany, co-supervised with W. Schroeder-Preikschat; December 2004–February 2005 and November 2005–February 2006.
- Nicolas Marochow, Fachhochschule Braunschweig-Wolfenbüttel, Germany, co-supervised with R. Rüdiger; September 2004–January 2005.
- Jan Peterson, Universität Jena, Germany, co-supervised with W. Amme; May–September 2004.
- Tobias Körner, Fachhochschule Braunschweig-Wolfenbüttel, Germany, co-supervised with R. Rüdiger; March–August 2003.
- Alexander Apel, Universität Jena, Germany, co-supervised with W. Amme; September–November 2003.
- Christian Rattei, Fachhochschule München, Germany, co-supervised with K. Köhler; April–November 2000.
- Joachim Büchse, ETH Zürich, Switzerland, co-supervised with J. Gutknecht, 1998.
- M. Burtscher, ETH Zürich, 1996.
(work conducted at Irvine but thesis submitted in Zurich while Franz still had a formal association with ETH)
- M. Dätwyler, ETH Zürich, 1996.
(work conducted at Irvine but thesis submitted in Zurich while Franz still had a formal association with ETH)

Diploma Students Supervised at ETH Zurich († = co-supervised with N. Wirth)

- E. Brandenberger, Oberon Module Interchange auf Intel-Prozessoren, 1996.
- D. Posva, Dynamische Reoptimierung auf einem RISC, 1996.
- M. Sperisen, Executable Content in WWW-Dokumenten: Java, 1996.
- †H. Buchser, Portable Objektfiles und codegenerierender Lader, 1995.
- †H. Domjan, Metaprogrammierung, 1995.

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- †O. Dreer, “Slim Binaries” auf Macintosh, 1995.
- †Th. Kistler, Smartest Recompilation, 1995.
- †Ch. Denzler, A Message Mechanism for Oberon, 1993.
- †E. Oertli, Oberon-2 für Macintosh, 1993.
- †I. Posva, Elimination redundanter Tests durch Programmanalyse, 1993.
- †Th. Bühlmann, Call Optimization for the MacOberon Compiler, 1992.
- †S. Ludwig, A Portable Object and Symbol File Format for Oberon, 1991.
- †S. Meier, Zeichenerkennung mittels Strukturanalyse, 1990.