

Kaiyuan Zhang

Research Interests

My research interests focus on security and privacy in machine learning, specifically on federated learning.

Education

- 2020 – now **Purdue University**, *Computer Science*, West Lafayette, IN, USA.
Ph.D. Student, Advisor: Prof. Xiangyu Zhang
Committee Members: Prof. Berkay Celik, Prof. Rajiv Khanna
- 2018 – 2020 **University of Texas at Dallas**, *Computer Science*, Richardson, TX, USA.
Master of Science, Advisor: Prof. Wei Yang
- 2019 – 2020 **University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign**, *Computer Science*, Urbana, IL, USA.
Visiting Graduate Student, Advisors: Prof. Tao Xie and Prof. Tianyin Xu
- 2013 – 2017 **Chang'an University**, *Network Engineering*, Xi'an, China.
Bachelor of Engineering

Publications

- AROW'22 [3] FLIP: A Provable Defense Framework for Backdoor Mitigation in Federated Learning.
Kaiyuan Zhang, Guanhong Tao, Qiuling Xu, Siyuan Cheng, Shengwei An, Yingqi Liu, Shiwei Feng, Guangyu Shen, Pin-Yu Chen, Shiqing Ma, Xiangyu Zhang.
Under submission.
ECCV 2022 Workshop on Adversarial Robustness in the Real World (AROW), **Best Paper Award**.
- TVCG'21 [2] DRGraph: An Efficient Graph Layout Algorithm for Large-scale Graphs by Dimensionality Reduction.
Minfeng Zhu, Wei Chen, Yuanzhe Hu, Yuxuan Hou, Liangjun Liu, **Kaiyuan Zhang**.
IEEE Transactions on Visualization and Computer Graphics, 2021.
- JOV'19 [1] Enhancing statistical charts: toward better data visualization and analysis.
Xiaonan Luo, Yuan Yuan, **Kaiyuan Zhang**, Jiazhi Xia, Zhiguang Zhou, Liang Chang, Tianlong Gu. *Journal of Visualization*, 2019.

Teaching Experiences

Guest Lecture

- Fall 2022 **CS 52900: Security Analytics**, “Backdoor Attacks and Defenses on Neural Networks”, Purdue University.

Teaching Assistant

- Fall 2022 **CS 37300: Data Mining and Machine Learning**, Purdue University.

- Spring 2022 **CS 37300: Data Mining and Machine Learning**, *Purdue University*.
- Fall 2021 **CS 47300: Web Information Search And Management**, *Purdue University*.
- Summer 2021 **CS 18200: Foundations of Computer Science**, *Purdue University*.
- Spring 2021 **CS 37300: Data Mining and Machine Learning**, *Purdue University*.
- Fall 2020 **CS 47300: Web Information Search And Management**, *Purdue University*.
- Summer 2018 **Visual Analytics**, *Zhejiang University*.

Positions held

- 08/2020 – now **Purdue University**, *West Lafayette, IN, USA*.
Teaching Assistant
- 05/2019 – 05/2020 **University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign**, *Urbana, IL, USA*.
Visiting Graduate Student, Advisor: Prof. Tao Xie and Prof. Tianyin Xu
- 12/2018 – 04/2019 **University of Texas at Dallas**, *Richardson, TX, USA*.
Research Assistant, Advisor: Prof. Wei Yang
- 02/2017 – 08/2018 **State Key Laboratory of CAD&CG, Zhejiang University**, *Hangzhou, China*.
Research Assistant, Advisor: Prof. Wei Chen

Selected Press

- PurdueCS News [Provable defense framework for backdoor mitigation in federated learning](#), 10/2022

Invited Talks

- 11/07/2022 **Backdoor Attacks and Defenses on Neural Networks**, Department of Computer Science, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN, 2022.
- 10/23/2022 **FLIP: A Provable Defense Framework for Backdoor Mitigation in Federated Learning**, ECCV 2022 Workshop on Adversarial Robustness in the Real World (AROW), Best Paper Session, Virtual, 2022.

Professional Services

- Organizer PurduePAML Machine Learning & Security Seminar, Purdue University, 2021 - 2022
- Program Committee ICML Workshop on Adversarial Machine Learning Frontiers 2022
- Reviewer IEEE International Conference on Acoustics, Speech and Signal Processing (ICASSP) 2023
- Co-Reviewer ACM Conference on Computer and Communications Security (CCS), 2022, 2021
International Conference on Computer-Aided Verification (CAV), 2019
- Student Volunteer ICML 2021, ICLR 2021, ECOOP/ISSTA 2021, CCS 2020, SIGMOD 2020
International Summer School on Visual Analytics, Zhejiang University, 2018, 2017, 2016
- Representative Grade Appeals Graduate Student Committee, College of Science, Purdue University, 2021 - 2022

Honors and Awards

- October 2022 **Best Paper Award at ECCV 2022 AROW Workshop**
- September 2022 ECCV Student Conference Grant
- April 2022 Purdue University Summer Research Grant Award

- October 2020 ACM CCS Student Conference Grant
- July 2017 Outstanding Undergraduate Thesis Award (5% in university)
- November 2016 **China National Scholarship (0.2% in China)**
- May 2016 3rd Place in National College Students Cloud Computing Challenge, China
- Dec 2015 2nd Place in Regional Mathematical Contest in Modeling (MCM), China

Technical Skills

- Courses Statistical Machine Learning, Machine Learning Theory, Big Data Management and Analytics, Security Analytics, Operating System, Software Engineering, Computer Networks, Database Design, Data Structure, Design and Analysis of Algorithms
- Languages Python, C, C++, SQL
- Libraries Pytorch, NumPy, Pandas, Scikit-learn, Matplotlib, Pyplot, seaborn, ggplot2
- Tools Databricks, AWS, Google Cloud, Unix, Git, Vim, Subversion, Docker, L^AT_EX
- Database MySQL, Neo4j

References

Available upon a request.