DUC BUI

Have research experience in user privacy, federated learning, and mobile systems that have been published at top-tier conferences. Built end-to-end automated systems and formal models to detect the inconsistencies between privacy policies and actual data collection of mobile apps, websites, and browser extensions. Developed novel energy-saving techniques for the Chrome web browser and real-time video streaming with quality-of-service (QoS) guarantees.

EDUCATION

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI	Sep 2017 – May 2022 (tentative)
PhD Candidate in Computer Science Advisor: Professor Kang G. Shin	
Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology (KAIST), South Korea	Sep 2011 – Aug 2013
• MSc in Computer Science · GPA 4.0/4.3 (96.7/100) · Outstanding Master's Thesis Av	vard
Hanoi University of Science and Technology, Vietnam	Sep 2005 – Jul 2010
 BSc in Computer Science · GPA 8.5/10 (top 1% of CS Dept.) 	

INDUSTRIAL EXPERIENCE

Facebook, Menlo Park, CA

• Personalized Federated Learning: Designed and implemented the 1st privacy-preserving user representation learning for federated learning. Improved AUC/accuracy of non-personalized models by 8-51% and provided similar performance to centralized approaches while preserving user privacy. Part of my implementation (3000+ lines of code) was open sourced in Facebook PyText. Wrote a paper that was submitted to ICLR 2020 and published on arXiv. [PyTorch, Pandas, Python]

Research Intern

Software Engineering Intern

Research Intern

Google, Mountain View, CA

 Chrome performance metrics: Implemented congestion tracking metrics to the Chrome web browser to quantify page load times and responsiveness of foreground tabs when a browser loads multiple tabs simultaneously. Made 16 code changes (added 3000+ and deleted 500+ lines of code) to the Chrome codebase. The metrics were deployed in production. [C++]

Samsung, Suwon, South Korea

 Mobile cross-device resource sharing: Improved cross-phone camera preview frame rate by 6X and photo-capturing time by 4X, compared to the state of the art (Rio, MobiSys 2014) by using real-time streaming protocols (RTSP/RTCP/RTP). Developed a unified resource management framework with 11,000+ lines of C/C++ code that manages camera, sensors, and apps across multiple heterogeneous-platform mobile devices. [C, C++, CMake, Tizen OS]

Microsoft Research, Beijing, China **Research Intern** Jan – Jun 2014 • Energy-efficient mobile web browsing: Reduced the whole-system energy consumption of the Google Chrome mobile web browser by 24.4% with no perceivable impact on page load time. Analyzed inefficiencies of browser internals (process/thread structure, resource fetcher, and renderer) and leveraged the heterogeneous multi-core big.LITTLE CPU architecture to develop energy-saving techniques for the Chrome and Firefox web browsers on Android. Resulted in a paper published in a top-tier conference and highlighted on an ACM SIGMOBILE magazine & online news. [C++, Python, Android]

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI **Research Assistant** Sep 2017 – present · PhD thesis research - Assessment of privacy risks in mobile and web applications/services: Developed five End-to-End (E2E) systems to automatically assess the privacy risks of mobile and web apps through the analysis of privacy policies, app execution and user interfaces. Analyzed the flow-to-policy consistency between the privacy statements in privacy policies and the actual data flows of mobile apps, websites, and browser extensions. Detected the inconsistencies between the opt-out settings and their enforcement of websites and online trackers. Analyzed website privacy policies to provide an easy-to-understand presentation that helps users beware of the practices performed on their data. [Dynamic analysis, NLP, formal modeling, user study]

Two projects were published and the other three are under review of top-tier conferences (CCS, USENIX and S&P).

KAIST, Daejeon, South Korea

• Energy-efficient multi-link real-time streaming: Designed and implemented the 1st LTE-enabled prototype that aggregates bandwidth over multiple asymmetric mobile wireless interfaces (WiFi & LTE) for energy-efficient real-time delivery. Provided quality-of-service (QoS) for high-bitrate video streaming while reducing energy consumption by leveraging Radio Resource Control (RCC) states of LTE. This work was published in a top-tier conference. [C, Java, Android]

Research Assistant

Sep 2011 – Jun 2017

May – Aug 2019

May – Aug 2017

May – Sep 2015

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- Consistency Analysis of Data-Usage Purposes in Mobile Apps.
 Duc Bui, Yuan Yao, Kang G. Shin, Jong-Min Choi, and Junbum Shin.
 ACM SIGSAC Conference on Computer and Communications Security (CCS), 2021. (22% acceptance rate)
- Automated Extraction and Presentation of Data Practices in Privacy Policies.
 Duc Bui, Kang G. Shin, Jong-Min Choi, and Junbum Shin.
 Privacy Enhancing Technologies Symposium (PETS), 2021. (21% acceptance rate)
- Federated User Representation Learning.
 Duc Bui, Kshitiz Malik, Jack Goetz, Honglei Liu, Seungwhan Moon, Anuj Kumar, and Kang G. Shin. arXiv:1909.12535 [cs.LG], 2019.
- Active Federated Learning.
 Jack Goetz, Kshitiz Malik, Duc Bui, Seungwhan Moon, Honglei Liu, and Anuj Kumar.
 Workshop on Federated Learning for Data Privacy and Confidentiality (in Conjunction with NeurIPS), 2019.
- Rethinking Energy-Performance Trade-Off in Mobile Web Page Loading.
 Duc Bui, Yunxin Liu, Hyosu Kim, Insik Shin, and Feng Zhao.
 ACM International Conference on Mobile Computing and Networking (MobiCom), 2015. (18% acceptance rate)
- GreenBag: Energy-efficient Bandwidth Aggregation for Real-time Streaming in Heterogeneous Mobile Wireless Networks. Duc Bui, Kilho Lee, Sangeun Oh, Hyojeong Shin, Insik Shin, Honguk Woo, and Daehyun Ban. IEEE Real-Time Systems Symposium (RTSS), 2013. (22% acceptance rate)

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- Cross-Platform Support for Rapid Development of Mobile Acoustic Sensing Applications. Yu-Chih Tung, Duc Bui, and Kang G. Shin. ACM International Conference on Mobile Systems, Applications and Services (MobiSys), 2018.
- Mobile Plus: Mobile platform for Transparent Sharing of Functionalities Across Devices. Sangeun Oh, Hyuck Yoo, Dae R. Jeong, **Duc Bui**, and Insik Shin. ACM International Conference on Mobile Systems, Applications and Services (**MobiSys**), 2017.
- 3. *Demo: Mobile Plus: Mobile platform for Transparent Sharing of Functionalities Across Devices.* Sangeun Oh, Hyuck Yoo, Daelyong Jeong, Sooyoung Park, **Duc Bui**, Sungsoo Moon, and Insik Shin. ACM International Conference on Mobile Systems, Applications and Services (**MobiSys**), 2016.
- Rethinking Energy-Performance Trade-Off in Mobile Web Page Loading.
 Duc Bui, Yunxin Liu, Hyosu Kim, Insik Shin, and Feng Zhao.
 ACM SIGMOBILE GetMobile Magazine (Research highlights), 2016.
- A Case Study of the Application of Dynamic Symbolic Execution to Real-World Binary Programs. Duc Bui, Yunho Kim, and Moonzoo Kim. Korea Conference on Software Engineering (KCSE), 2012.
- 6. A method of verifying web service composition.
 Thang Huynh, Quynh Pham, and Duc Bui.
 ACM International Symposium on Information and Communication Technology (SoICT), 2010.

HONORS AND AWARDS

- 2016 Naver PhD Fellowship by Naver Corp. (the largest search engine in South Korea) for excellent PhD students.
- 2015 **Qualcomm Innovation Award** finalist, being in the top 10 out of the 37 final-round projects.
- 2015 Microsoft Research Asia Fellowship Nomination Award, being one of 90 students selected from top Asia universities.
- 2014 Microsoft Research Asia Excellent Award in the Stars of Tomorrow Internship Program.
- 2014 Outstanding Master's Thesis Award by Computer Science Department, KAIST.
- 2010 Korean Government Scholarship for the master's program at KAIST.
- 2009 Vietnam Ministry of Information and Communications Scholarship for outstanding students.