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Education

2022–Present **Carnegie Mellon University**, *Pittsburgh, PA*
PhD in Computer Science. *Advisors:* Aayush Jain and Riad Wahby.

2020–2022 **University of Michigan**, *Ann Arbor, MI*
MA in Mathematics. *Advisor:* Paul Grubbs

2016–2020 **Columbia University**, *New York, NY*
BA in Mathematics and Computer Science

Research Interests

I am interested in building various **advanced cryptographic primitives** that are **secure against quantum computers**. A particular focus of mine has been on constructing and analyzing **zero-knowledge proof systems**.

Publications & Preprints

6. **Quang Dao**, Aayush Jain. Lossy Cryptography from Code-Based Assumptions. *CRYPTO 2024.* **Best Junior Paper Award.**

5. **Quang Dao**, Aayush Jain, Zhengzhong Jin. Non-Interactive Zero-Knowledge from LPN and MQ. *CRYPTO 2024.*

4. **Quang Dao**, Yuval Ishai, Aayush Jain, Huijia Lin. Multi-party Homomorphic Secret Sharing and Sublinear MPC from Sparse LPN. *CRYPTO 2023.*

3. **Quang Dao**, Jim Miller, Opal Wright, Paul Grubbs. Weak Fiat-Shamir Attacks on Modern Proof Systems. *IEEE S&P 2023.* **Distinguished Paper Award.**

2. **Quang Dao**, Paul Grubbs. Spartan and Bulletproofs are simulation-extractable (for free!). *EUROCRYPT 2023.*

1. **Quang Dao**, Julian Wellman, Calvin Yost-Wolff, Sylvester W. Zhang. Rowmotion Orbits of Trapezoid Posets. *The Electronic Journal of Combinatorics*, P2-29, 2022.

Honors & Awards

2024 **Best Junior Paper Award**
Awarded to the best paper by junior researchers at Crypto 2024

2023 **Distinguished Paper Award**
Awarded to top 6% of accepted papers at IEEE Security & Privacy 2023

2020 **Russell C. Mills Award**
Awarded to 2 seniors for excellence in computer science at Columbia

2017 - 2019 **Van Amringe Math Prize**
Awarded annually to the top 3 non-senior students in math at Columbia

| 2016, 2018 | **Putnam Math Competition**. Honorable Mention (top 50) |
| 2016 | **International Math Olympiad**. Silver Medal |

Internships & Visiting Positions

| Summer 2024 | Research Intern at a16z crypto. |

Talks

5. Lossy Cryptography from Code-Based Assumptions
   - UCLA Crypto Reading Group (Apr 2024)
   - UToronto Theory Seminar (Mar 2024)

4. Multi-party Homomorphic Secret Sharing and Sublinear MPC from Sparse LPN
   - JP Morgan AlgoCRYPT Seminar (Dec 2023)
   - CMU Crypto Seminar (Nov 2023)
   - NTT Research Seminar (Oct 2023)
   - CyLab Partners Conference (Oct 2023)
   - Vietnam Mathematical Congress (Aug 2023)

3. Weak Fiat-Shamir Attacks on Modern Proof Systems
   - Real World Crypto (Mar 2024)
   - CMU CyLab Security Seminar (Nov 2023)
   - Cornell Security Seminar (Sep 2023)
   - NYU Crypto Reading Group (Sep 2023)
   - Workshop on Attacks in Cryptography (Aug 2023)

2. Spartan and Bulletproofs are simulation-extractable (for free!)
   - Stanford Crypto Reading Group (May 2023)
   - Telecom Paris Seminar (May 2023)
   - Lattices Meet Hashes Workshop, EPFL (May 2023)
   - CMU Crypto Seminar (April 2023)

Service

Co-Organizer	2022-2024: CMU Crypto Seminar
External Reviewer	2024: STOC, EUROCRYPT, TCC
	2023: ASIACRYPT, TCC, FOCS
	2022: CRYPTO, EUROCRYPT

Teaching

2023-2024	**Western Pennsylvania ARML Team**, *Assistant Coach*, CMU
Fall 2023	**Undergraduate Quantum Computation**, *Teaching Assistant*, CMU
2020–2021	**Calculus I**, *Lead Instructor*, University of Michigan
2017, 2021	**Math & Science Summer Program (MASSP)**, *Mentor*, Vietnam

Miscellaneous

Languages   English (fluent), Vietnamese (native), French (elementary), Malayalam (elementary)