

# PORTFOLIO

(CURRICULUM VITAE)

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# ABOUT ME \*

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AADITYA IS A CYBERSECURITY ENGINEER AND AI RESEARCHER WITH CORE SKILLS IN OFFSEC, SECURE WEB DEV, AND SCALABLE SYSTEMS.

HE'S PROFICIENT IN BUILDING AI-POWERED SECURITY TOOLS OR SECURITY-FOCUSED AI USING DEEP LEARNING, DEEP RL, AND AGENTIC AI ARCHITECTURES. HIS WORK AT ISRO, INTEL & NSD BLENDS CAUSAL INFERENCE, PRIVACY PRESERVING ML, AND CONSTRAINT-BASED AI MODELS TO TACKLE REAL-WORLD SECURITY CHALLENGES.

AS A TRAINER AND SPEAKER, HE'S EDUCATED 500+ STUDENTS AND DELIVERED TALKS AT OWASP, NULLCON, AND NATIONAL FORUMS.

HE ACTIVELY BUILDS OPEN-SOURCE SOFTWARE, LEADS SECURITY COMMUNITIES AS PRESIDENT OF THE NYU CYBERSECURITY CLUB, AND CONTRIBUTES TO OFFENSIVE SECURITY RESEARCH THROUGH THE OSIRIS LAB. HIS INTERESTS CENTER ON BUILDING RESILIENT, SCALABLE, AND REAL-WORLD SECURITY AND AI SYSTEMS.

# SCHOOLS I'VE BEEN TO \*



**NYU**

**NEW YORK UNIVERSITY,  
TANDON SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING  
MASTER OF SCIENCE  
CYBERSECURITY**

APPLICATION SECURITY • SOFTWARE SUPPLY CHAIN SECURITY • POST QUANTUM CRYPTOGRAPHY •  
NETWORK SECURITY • INFORMATION SYSTEMS SECURITY ENGINEERING & MANAGEMENT • PRIVACY IN THE  
ELECTRONICS SOCIETY • PENETRATION TESTING & VULNERABILITY ANALYSIS ...  
4.0/4.0 GPA (\*^\_^\*)

**BUILDSPACE**

\* NOT A SCHOOL



**buildspace**

**taught me entrepreneurship. iykyk**

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**PSG COLLEGE OF TECHNOLOGY  
BACHELOR OF ENGINEERING  
COMPUTER SCIENCE & ENGINEERING**

CHEMISTRY • APPLIED PHYSICS • DIGITAL ELECTRONICS • MICROPROCESSORS • CALCULUS • LINEAR ALGEBRA  
TRANSFORMS • DISCRETE MATH • PROBABILITY • C PROGRAMMING • PYTHON • OOP • DSA • ADVANCED DS  
COMPUTER ARCHITECTURE • THEORY OF COMPUTATION • OPERATING SYSTEMS • DBMS • COMPUTER  
NETWORKS • WIRELESS NETWORKS • DISTRIBUTED SYSTEMS • CLOUD COMPUTING • OPEN SOURCE SYSTEMS  
SOFTWARE ENGINEERING • DESIGN THINKING • UI DESIGN • WEB TECHNOLOGY • ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE  
MACHINE LEARNING • CRYPTOGRAPHY • BLOCKCHAIN

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# DELIVERABLES



CYBERSECURITY:	THREAT DETECTION SYSTEMS
	INSIDER THREAT ANALYSIS
	SECURITY AUTOMATION PIPELINES
AI/ML:	LLM BASED ASSISTANTS
	AGENTIC AI
	PRIVACY-PRESERVING MACHINE LEARNING
WEB DEVELOPMENT:	FULL STACK WEB APPLICATIONS
	API DEVELOPMENT, BACKENDS & SYSTEM DESIGN
	CUSTOM CMS & PORTALS
CYBERSECURITY TRAINING:	OFFENSIVE SECURITY BOOTCAMPS
	SECURE CODING WORKSHOPS
	GUEST LECTURES
RESEARCH & INNOVATION:	PRIVACY PRESERVING AI
	MITRE ATT&CK AND ATLAS
	INTEGRATIONS
	SECURITY USE CASE DESIGNING
	CONSTRAINT VIOLATION- -DETECTION SYSTEMS
CONSULTING & ADVISORY:	SECURITY ARCHITECTURE REVIEWS
	INCIDENT RESPONSE STRATEGY
	TOOLING RECOMMENDATIONS

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# PROJECTS

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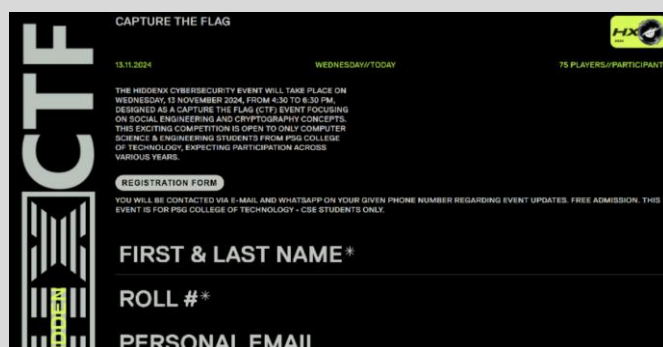
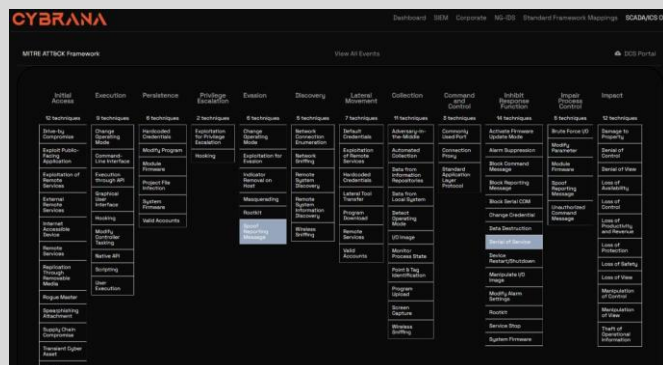
# CLIENTS \*



# HACKATHONS \*

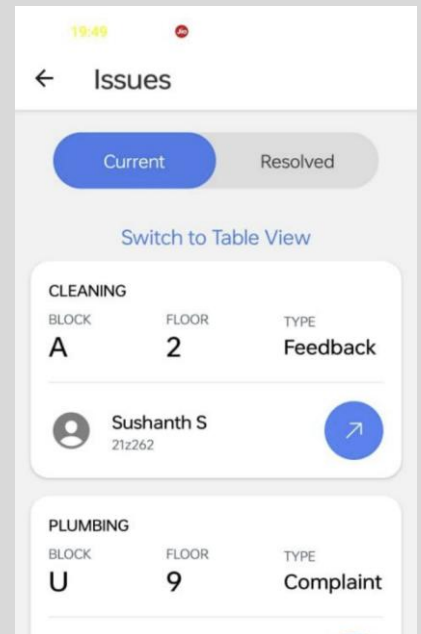
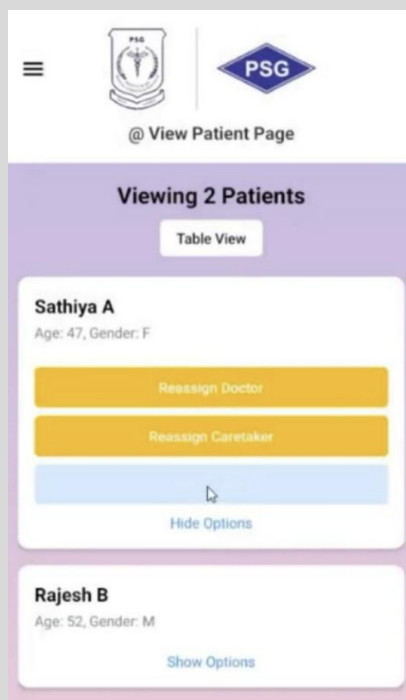
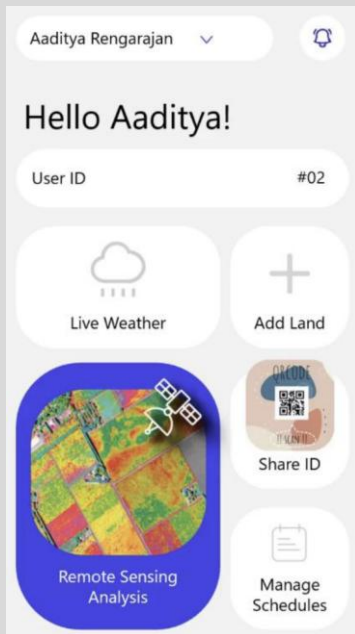


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# MOBILE DESIGN EXAMPLES

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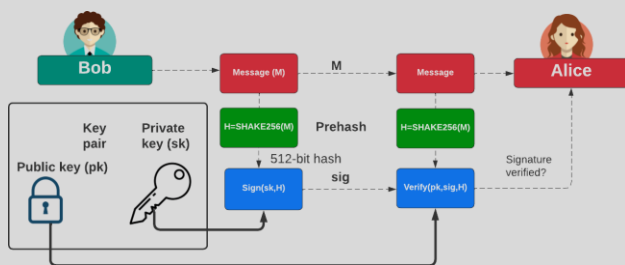


\* these are functional mobile applications i've built with people



# SECURITY DESIGN EXAMPLES

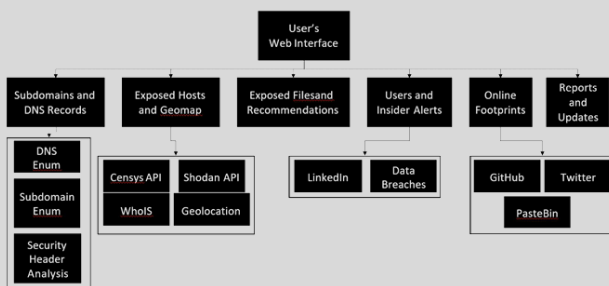
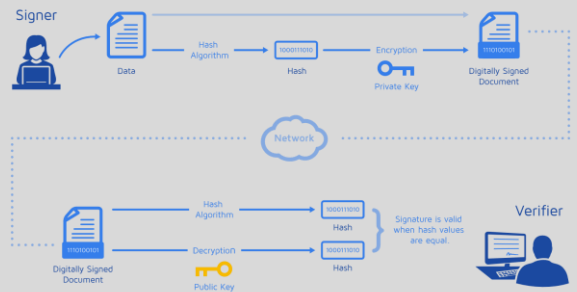
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## HAWK

a python re-implementation  
of a post quantum crypto  
framework (pedagogy)

arbitrary-order secure  
multi-sign algorithm for  
document signing



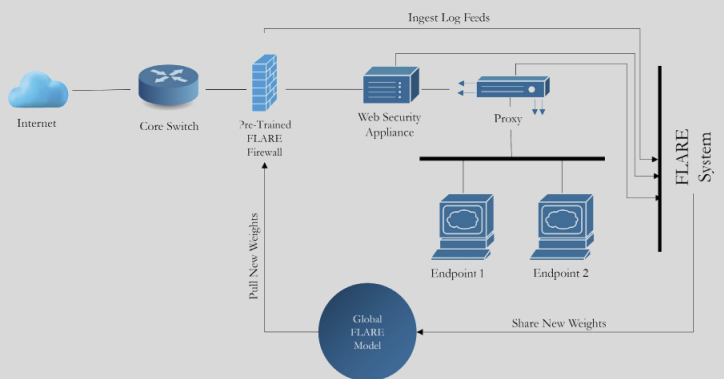
## SentinelEye

public visibility security  
framework for organizations

\* these are functional security software i've built + research  
work i've published over time

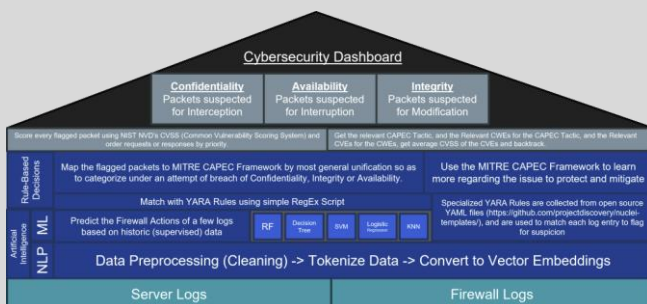
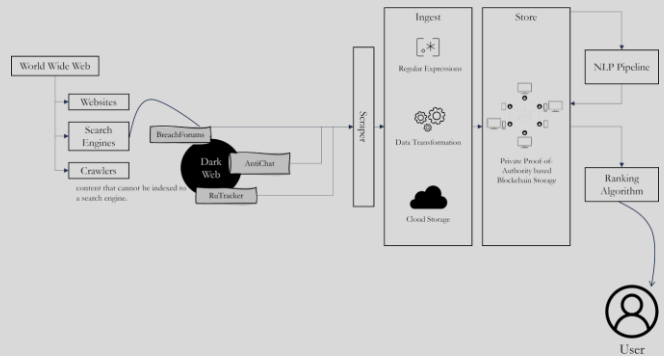
# SECURITY DESIGN EXAMPLES

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**FLARE**  
a federated learning  
firewall architecture

**SHADOW**  
an ML-based dark web  
PII-leak detection  
system



**CYBRANA**  
a machine-learning  
based firewall

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# WORK EXPERIENCE

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ORG	ROLE
	ai research and engineering
	security software, startup research
	security research and engineering
	security software engineering
	learning infotech and software engineering
	dark web research, cybersecurity
	penetration testing

# RESEARCH PAPERS

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# Prompt-Aware MCP Security: Using ShardGuard To Compartmentalize LLMs for Safer MCP Actions

*Abstract*—Large Language Models (LLMs) are powerful in part due to the wide array of prompts they can successfully handle. While many efforts have been made to improve MCP security, a prompt’s context is an essential (and missing) aspect of MCP security. This work demonstrates that it is not only necessary to consider prompt- context, but it is also possible to do so in a secure and automated manner. Our architecture shows that an LLM can be an effective tool at devising a compartmentalized, prompt-specific, least-privilege decomposition for various complex prompts. We demonstrate that this technique provides best-effort, least-privilege security which reduces the unnecessary MCP server tools available to an LLM. It does this while handling prompts an unprotected LLM could handle. This happens without substantially increasing the LLM costs. Furthermore, our design is backwards compatible with existing MCP servers / tools, LLMs, and frameworks. Our prototype, ShardGuard, is freely available with an Apache 2.0 license.

// with a team under Professor Justin Cappos at the  
Secure Systems Laboratory (SSL) at New York  
University's Tandon School of Engineering

# Enhancing Cybersecurity Resilience with CYBRANA: A Cyber YARA/YAML-Based Resilience Firewall Solution Applied with Next-Gen AI

*Abstract*—The ever-increasing volume of server requests puts digital infrastructure at more risk of cyberattacks. This paper introduces CYBRANA, a cyberattack detection and mitigation system powered by AI. CYBRANA uses a Random Forest model to look into firewall and server logs for potential malicious threats. After analysis of flagged logs to extract request paths, CYBRANA then maps YAML rules to look for known attack pattern detection. Upon successful detection, CYBRANA classifies the attack type and severity (using CVSS scoring) by mapping it to the MITRE CAPEC framework®. This approach bridges the gap between existing cybersecurity frameworks and server log analysis, enabling a novel security pipeline. By automating threat detection and mitigation, CYBRANA enhances the security posture of digital infrastructure.

*Index Terms*—Firewall, NIDS, Log Analysis, Random Forest, MITRE, CVSS Scoring, SIEM, SOC

// with Dr. G. R. Karpagam

\* IEEE International Conference on Computer Vision and Machine Intelligence (IEEE CVMII), 2024 at Allahabad, India

# SHADOW: A framework for Systematic Heuristic Analysis and Detection of Observations on the Web

*Abstract*—The cyberspace contains vast amounts of information that are crucial for cybersecurity professionals to gather threat intelligence, prevent cyberattacks, and secure organizational networks. Unlike earlier and less targeted attacks, modern cyber-attacks are more organized and sophisticated, often targeting specific groups, which leaves many users unaware of the vulnerable resources within the cyberspace. The increasing freedom on information access in the deep and dark web has led many organizations to identify their data loose on these spaces. Therefore, creating methods to crawl and extract valuable information from the deep web is a critical concern. Some deep web content can be accessed through the surface web by submitting query forms to retrieve the needed information, but it is not as simple in all cases. This paper proposes a system of framework to identify these leaks and notify relevant parties on the same in-time.

*Index Terms*—Data Breach , Named Entity Recognition , Ranking , Cybersecurity , Snowball Sampling , Blockchain , Attack Tree , Web Scraping , Wayback Machine

// with Lohith Senthilkumar, Neelesh Padmanabh and  
Akhil Ramalingam

\* International Conference on Artificial Intelligence, Metaverse and Cybersecurity (ICAMAC), 2024 at Dubai, UAE



# FLARE: Federated Learning And Resilient Encryption for Firewalls

*Abstract*—Traditional firewalls rely on static rule-based mechanisms, where rules are manually defined and often written in specialized languages. While effective to a degree, these rules are inherently limited and can be easily bypassed by new and evolving types of malware, leading to significant security vulnerabilities. To address these challenges, we propose FLARE: Federated Learning And Resilient Encryption, a novel machine learning-based firewall solution. FLARE dynamically analyzes past network connections to predict and determine the appropriate actions for incoming traffic, thereby adapting to emerging threats in real-time. Given the sensitive nature of firewall data, which often contains confidential information, the training of machine learning models poses significant privacy risks. FLARE mitigates these risks by incorporating federated learning, allowing the model to learn from decentralized data sources without requiring raw data to be shared. To further enhance privacy, we introduce an encryption layer that ensures the central model learns from encrypted weights, preventing exposure of sensitive information known to the local model. This combined approach not only improves the resilience of firewalls but also safeguards the confidentiality of the data used in training, offering a robust solution for modern cybersecurity challenges.

*Index Terms*—Training , Adaptation models , Data privacy , Analytical models , Firewalls (computing) , Federated learning , Predictive models , Data models , Encryption , Random forests

// with Lohith Senthilkumar

\* IEEE Pune Section International Conference  
(PuneCon), 2024 at Pune, India

# Enhancing the Resilience of Privacy-Preserving Machine Learning using Adversarial Techniques

*Abstract*—This paper introduces a novel approach to enhance privacy-preserving machine learning (PPML) by integrating adversarial techniques with Homomorphic Encryption (HE) and Differential Privacy (DP). Privacy-Preserving machine learning (PPML) plays a key role in privacy protection. Current methods like homomorphic encryption (HE) and differential privacy (DP) aim to strike a balance between keeping data private and making sure models work well. This method embeds adversarial attacks within model optimization, strengthening resistance to privacy breaches while maintaining high model performance. Experimental results across various datasets achieving an accuracy of 89% in HE and DP demonstrate that this approach effectively balances privacy and utility, outperforming traditional PPML methods in safeguarding sensitive data without compromising model accuracy.

*Index Terms*—Training , Resistance , Differential privacy , Accuracy , Computational modeling , Machine learning , Data augmentation , Data models , Homomorphic encryption , Resilience

// with Lohith Senthilkumar, Amitha Lakshmi Raj and  
Arun U S

\* International Conference on Distributed Systems, Computer Networks and Cybersecurity (ICDSCNC), 2024 at Bengaluru, India

# Estimation of Warfarin Dosage using a Specialized XGBoost-based Pharmacogenomic Machine Learning Model and Evaluation using XAI

*Abstract*—Warfarin is a commonly used anticoagulant for which dosing needs to be individually optimized highly tightly to match against the potential for bleeding and thrombotic side effects. We introduce herein in this article a machine learning system that makes use of clinical, genetic, and demographic information to predict warfarin patient-specific dosing. Our method is becoming more sophisticated with various iterations starting from a baseline model, then an optimal XGBoost model incorporating polynomial feature expansions, and finally ending with an optimized gradient boosting implementation coded from scratch. Model performance is evaluated on R<sup>2</sup> metrics complemented with explainability tests using SHAP and LIME, hence achieving accuracy and interpretability to clinical decision-making.

*Index Terms*—Measurement , Machine learning algorithms , Explainable AI , Computational modeling , Predictive models , Boosting , Genetics , Polynomials , Iterative methods , Hemorrhaging

// with Akshay Perison Davis, Navaneetha Krishnan K S,  
R Vishal, Subhasri Shreya S L and Jayashree L S

\* International Conference on Machine Learning and Cybernetics (ICMLC), 2025 at Bali, Indonesia

# ASTRA: A Cyber-Threat Intelligence Framework for Advanced Security Threat Response and Analysis

*Abstract*—This paper introduces ASTRA (Advanced Security Threat Response and Analysis), a novel system designed to enhance cybersecurity operations. ASTRA connects to multiple STIX (Structured Threat Information Expression) threat feeds, offering a comprehensive dashboard that includes a lookup interface, a visualizer tool, and a log analysis tool to detect Indicators of Compromise (IOCs) from any log file. The challenge addressed by this paper lies in the limitations of current cybersecurity methods, which predominantly rely on manual signature development and static rules for threat detection and mitigation. Presently, cybersecurity strategies often struggle to keep pace with the dynamic nature of modern threats, leading to gaps in protection. ASTRA's novelty lies in its ability to dynamically analyze and respond to threats in real-time, significantly reducing the time and effort required to identify and mitigate cyber risks. The system's microservice architecture and private blockchain further enhances its adaptability, scalability, and security, making it an ideal solution for modern cybersecurity challenges.

**\*System deployed at National Remote Sensing Centre (NRSC, ISRO), 2024 at Hyderabad, India**

# Leveraging Detection Of Data Breaches By Applying Snowball Sampling

*Abstract*—With the data being circulated and stored on the internet increasing, the number of data breaches occurring globally has seen a drastic rise and it is happening in an organized manner. This possess a serious threat to both individual and organizations. Though the organizations have a security team to monitor the breaches, the individuals are unaware that their data being breached is a serious issue. This paper addresses the above issue through detection using snowball sampling and preserving privacy using Blockchain technology. Efforts have been taken to validate this system through threat modelling by employing misuse case diagrams and attack trees.

*Index Terms*—Data Breach, Snowball Sampling, Blockchain, Attack Tree, Web Scraping

// with Dr. G. R. Karpagam, Mithilesh E N, Santhoshi R and  
Subhasri Shreya S L

\* International Conference on High  
Performance and Intelligent Computing  
(ICHPIC), 2022 at Coimbatore, India

# COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT \*



Founder, The Eye - Student-Run  
Society for Cybersecurity at PSG  
College of Technology

President, Cybersecurity Club at  
New York University, Tandon School  
of Engineering



Board Member, the Offensive  
Security, Incident Response, Internet  
Security Lab (the OSIRIS Lab), NYU

Speaker and Member, Open  
Web Application Security  
Project (OWASP)



OWASP  
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Security Project



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