

Thematic Semester on the Security of Software/Hardware Interfaces

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- The largest French research laboratory (850+ people) in the field of computer science and information technology
- CNRS Mixed Research Centre (UMR)
- A collaboration between 8 institutions: CentraleSupélec, CNRS, ENS Rennes, IMT Atlantique, Inria, INSA Rennes, Université Bretagne Sud, Université de Rennes 1
- 38 research teams
- 3 geographical sites in Brittany (Rennes, Lannion, Vannes)

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- Inria is the French National Institute for Research in Digital Science and Technology
- 8 research centers distributed along France (in Bordeaux, Grenoble-Inovallée, Lille, Nancy, Paris-Rocquencourt, Rennes, Saclay, and Sophia Antipolis)
- 28 joint project teams in Rennes (including 24 with IRISA)





- A public institution devoted to the sciences and engineering.
- Merge (2015) of two leading engineering schools in France: Ecole Centrale
 Paris and Supélec
- Highly selective competitive entrance examinations for engineering students
- 4 core activities: Engineering Program, Research, Doctoral Program, Executive Education
- 4200 students and 370 faculty members and researchers
- 3 campus: Saclay, Rennes and Metz





- French Government Defence procurement and technology agency
- Responsible for project management, development and purchase of weapon systems for the French military
- 10 testing and expertise centers distributed across France
 - DGA-MI expertise center in Bruz (near Rennes): cyber-security
- Funding research projects and PhD grants
- Research activities in collaboration with academia

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- A cluster of 30 active members dedicated to cybersecurity
- Set up in 2014 under by the French Ministry for Armed Forces and the Regional Council of Bretagne
- Its goals is to boost:
 - the development of the offer of cybersecurity training;
 - academic cybersecurity research;
 - cybersecurity technological and industrial base, with special regards to innovative SMEs-SMIs.

Cybersecurity thematic semesters



Objectives

- Promote the scientific, teaching and industrial transfer activities on a specific subject
- Identify scientific and technological challenges in that field
- Propose a strategic action plan

Organization and funding

- Funded by the DGA
- Managed by Inria, on behalf of all the partners of the PEC research group
- Led by one or several researchers from PEC partners

https://semestres-cyber.inria.fr/en/











Actions

- Organization of different events: a summer school, dedicated workshops and a regular seminar
- Animation of a working group and publication of a white-paper
- Invitation of researchers

https://silm.inria.fr/

Three complementary research areas



1. Analysing the behavior and state of hardware components

- Fuzzing
- Reverse-engineering
- Trace mechanisms
- Automated specification analysis

2. Assessing the security of these hardware components

- Side-channel attacks
- Fault injection
- Exploiting unspecified behaviors

3. Detecting or preventing software attacks

- Using dedicated hardware components
- Software countermeasures against hardware vulnerabilities

Organization team





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(CS/Inria, CIDRE)

Project coordinator, Workshops, Working Group & White Book



J.-L. Lanet (Inria LHS/CIDRE) **Workshops**



C. Maurice (CNRS, EMSEC) **Summer school**



F. Tronel (CS/Inria, CIDRE) Workshops, Summer school



R. Lashermes (Inria) **Seminar**

SILM Summer School of the GDR Sécurité Informatique





- ▶ 47 participants from 7 countries: students, young researchers and engineers
- Lectures, labs and CTF, over 4 days and a half
- Organizing committee: Clémentine Maurice, Frédéric Tronel
- Slides and videos of the presentations available on the web site

https://silm-school.inria.fr/





- November 20-21 2019 in Rennes, France during the European Cyber Week
- ► First session in common with C&ESAR conference
- 11 invited speakers + 1 paper accepted by C&ESAR conference
- Organizing committee: Guillaume Hiet, Frédéric Tronel, Jean-Louis Lanet
- ▶ Slides and videos of the presentations available on the web site

https://silm-workshop.inria.fr





- ▶ June 19, 2020 in Genova, Italy
- Workshop collocated with the 5th IEEE European Symposium on Security and Privacy
- Invited speakers + CFP
- Organizing committee: Guillaume Hiet, Frédéric Tronel, Jean-Louis Lanet
- ► Submit articles!

https://silm-workshop-2020.inria.fr

Seminar and Working Group



SILM Seminar

- One Friday/month, 2 presentations, at Inria in Rennes, France
- Organizing committee: Ronan Lashermes
- Slides and videos of the presentations available on the web site

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https://semestres-cyber.inria.fr/en/silm-seminar/
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Working group

- Objectives: review the state-of-the-art, identify scientific challenges, technical obstacles, industrial transfer perspectives
- Managed by Guillaume Hiet
- Deliverables and outcomes: white paper + list of project proposals that should be funded in priority