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Positions

- 5/2023- **Associate Professor**, *Boston University*, Boston, MA.
Present Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering
- Affiliated Faculty, Department of Computer Science (2018-Present)
 - Affiliated Faculty, Faculty of Computing and Data Sciences (2021-Present)
 - Affiliated Faculty, Center for Information Systems & Engineering (2023-Present)
 - Affiliated Faculty, Hariri Institute for Computing (2020-Present)
 - Affiliated Faculty, Center for Emerging and Infectious Diseases (2021-Present)
 - Affiliated Faculty, Center for Antiracist Research (2020-Present)
- 9/2018- **Assistant Professor**, *Boston University*, Boston, MA.
5/2023 Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering
- 10/2017- **Senior Lecturer (Associate Professor)**, *University College London*, London, United
8/2018 Kingdom.
Joint appointment in the Departments of Computer Science and Security and Crime Science
- 9/2014- **Lecturer (Assistant Professor)**, *University College London*, London, United Kingdom.
9/2017 Joint appointment in the Departments of Computer Science and Security and Crime Science

Education

- 2009-2014 **PhD in Computer Science**, *University of California Santa Barbara*, Santa Barbara, CA.
Dissertation title: "Stepping Up the Cybersecurity Game: Protecting Online Services from Malicious Activity" – Advisors Christopher Kruegel and Giovanni Vigna
- 2014 **MS in Computer Science**, *University of California Santa Barbara*, Santa Barbara, CA.
- 2006-2009 **Laurea Specialistica in Computer Engineering (MS equivalent)**, *Università degli Studi di Genova*, Genova, Italy.
Thesis title: "A Distributed System for Intrusion Prevention"
- 2003-2006 **Laurea Triennale in Computer Engineering (BS equivalent)**, *Università degli Studi di Genova*, Genova, Italy.
Thesis title: "Computer Security in a Linux System" (in Italian)

Awards

At Boston University

- 2024 **Honorable Mention**, *ACM CHI Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems (CHI)*.
Award for the paper "Systemization of Knowledge (SoK): Creating a Research Agenda for Human-Centered Real-Time Risk Detection on Social Media Platforms"

- 2023 **Impact Recognition**, *ACM Conference on Computer Supported Cooperative Work and Social Computing (CSCW)*.
Award for the paper "Sliding into My DMs: Detecting Uncomfortable or Unsafe Sexual Risk Experiences within Instagram Direct Messages Grounded in the Perspective of Youth"
- 2023 **Finalist**, *CSAW Europe Best Applied Research Award*.
Nomination for the paper "Why So Toxic? Measuring and Triggering Toxic Behavior in Open-Domain Chatbots"
- 2023 **Senior Member**, *Association for Computing Machinery (ACM)*.
- 2022 **Honorable Mention**, *ACM SIGSAC Conference on Computer and Communications Security (CCS)*.
Award for the paper "Why So Toxic? Measuring and Triggering Toxic Behavior in Open-Domain Chatbots"
- 2022 **Honorable Mention**, *ACM CHI Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems (CHI)*.
Award for the paper "Understanding the Digital Lives of Youth: Analyzing Media Shared within Safe Versus Unsafe Private Conversations on Instagram"
- 2022 **ECE Teaching Excellence Award**, *BU Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering*.
- 2022 **Early Career Excellence in Research**, *BU College of Engineering*.
- 2022 **Civic Tech Fellow**, *BU Faculty of Computing & Data Sciences*.
- 2021 **Honorable Mention**, *ACM Conference on Computer Supported Cooperative Work and Social Computing (CSCW)*.
Award for the paper "Does Platform Migration Compromise Content Moderation? Evidence from r/The_Donald and r/Incels"
- 2021 **Impact Recognition**, *ACM Conference on Computer Supported Cooperative Work and Social Computing (CSCW)*.
Award for the paper "I'm a Professor, which isn't usually a dangerous job: Internet-Facilitated Harassment and its Impact on Researchers"
- 2020 **NSF CAREER Award**, *National Science Foundation*.
- 2020 **Honorable Mention**, *AAAI International Conference on Web and Social Media*.
Award for the paper "Disturbed YouTube for Kids: Characterizing and Detecting Inappropriate Videos Targeting Young Children"
- 2019 **Junior Faculty Fellow**, *Hariri Institute for Computing and Computational Science & Engineering*.
- 2019 **Best Paper Award**, *Conference on Detection of Intrusions and Malware & Vulnerability Assessment (DIMVA)*.
Award for the paper "On the Perils of Leaking Referrers in Online Collaboration Services"
- 2019 **Best Paper Award**, *Workshop on Computational Methods in Online Misbehavior (CYBERSAFETY)*.
Award for the paper "Disinformation Warfare: Understanding State-Sponsored Trolls on Twitter and Their Influence on the Web"
- 2018 **Distinguished Paper Award**, *ACM SIGCOMM Internet Measurement Conference*.
Award for the paper "On the Origin of Memes by Means of Fringe Web Communities"
- 2018 **Secure the Internet Grant**, *Facebook Inc.*

At University College London

- 2018 **Finalist**, *CSAW Europe Best Applied Research Award*.
Nomination for the paper "Tiresias: Predicting Security Events Through Deep Learning"

- 2016-2018 **UCLU Student Choice Teaching Awards (Nominee)**, *University College London Union*.
- 2017 **Second Place**, *CSAW Europe Best Applied Research Award*.
Award for the paper "MaMaDroid: Detecting Android Malware by Building Markov Chains of Behavioral Models"
- 2017 **Finalist**, *CSAW Europe Best Applied Research Award*.
Nomination for the paper "What Happens After You Are Pwnd: Understanding The Use of Leaked Webmail Credentials In The Wild"
- 2017 **Finalist**, *CSAW North America Best Applied Research Award*.
Nomination for the paper "PayBreak: Defense against Cryptographic Ransomware"
- 2017 **Best Paper Nominee**, *International Conference on Web and Social Media (ICWSM)*.
Nomination for the paper "Kek, Cucks, and God Emperor Trump: A Measurement Study of 4chan's Politically Incorrect Forum and Its Effects on the Web"
- 2017 **Best Paper Award**, *APWG eCrime Symposium*.
Award for the paper "All Your Cards Are Belong To Us: Understanding Online Carding Forums"
- 2016 **Future Leaders in Engineering and Physical Sciences**, *University College London*.
- 2015 **Google Research Award**, *Google Inc.*.

At UC Santa Barbara

- 2014 **Outstanding Dissertation Award**, *Department of Computer Science, UC Santa Barbara*.
- 2012 **Symantec Research Labs Graduate Fellowship**, *Symantec Corp*.
- 2010 **Best Student Paper Award**, *Annual Computer Security Applications Conference (ACSAC)*.
Award for the paper "Detecting Spammers on Social Networks"

████████ Funding

Total amount of funding at BU: \$5,265,762

Personal share of funding at BU: \$3,225,344

At Boston University - PI

- 2024-2026 **NSF Secure and Trustworthy Cyberspace (SaTC)**, *Collaborative Research: SaTC: CORE: Small: Research on Concurrent Inauthentic Account and Narrative Detection (PI, \$600,000, BU share \$175,000)*, Co-PIs Jeremy Blackburn (Binghamton University), Jeremiah Onalapo (University of Vermont).
- 2024-2027 **NSF Secure and Trustworthy Cyberspace (SaTC)**, *SaTC: CORE: Small: Enabling the Automated Delivery of Context-Aware Notifications (PI, \$599,996)*.
- 2023-2027 **NSF Secure and Trustworthy Cyberspace (SaTC)**, *Collaborative Research: SaTC: TTP: Medium: iDRAMA.cloud: A Platform for Measuring and Understanding Information Manipulation (PI, \$1,169,290, BU share \$494,291)*, Lead PI Jeremy Blackburn (Binghamton University).
- 2022 **Google ASPIRE Fund Award**, *Measuring the Evolution and Migration of Android Malware (PI, \$105,000, BU share \$52,500)*, Co-PI Adam Aviv (George Washington University).
- 2021-2023 **NSF Secure and Trustworthy Cyberspace (SaTC)**, *Collaborative Research: SaTC: CORE: Small: Detecting Accounts Involved in Influence Campaigns on Social Media (PI, \$500,000, BU share \$280,000)*, Co-PI Jeremy Blackburn (SUNY Binghamton).

- 2021-2023 **NSF Secure and Trustworthy Cyberspace (SaTC)**, *Collaborative Research: SaTC: CORE: Small: Flanker: Automatically Detecting Lateral Movement in Organizations Using Heterogeneous Data and Graph Representation Learning (PI, \$500,000, BU share \$250,000)*, Lead PI Engin Kirda (Northeastern University).
- 2021 **Instagram Request for proposals on Safety and Community Health**, *Towards Proactive Moderation of Coordinated Harassment on Instagram (PI, \$50,000 – Research Gift)*.
- 2021 **Media Ecosystems Analysis Group**, *Tracking Fauxtography on Social Media (PI, \$29,780)*.
- 2021 **BU CISE Seed Grant**, *EasyCSPeasy: Automatic XSS Prevention (PI, \$25,000)*, Co-PI Manuel Egele (BU ECE).
- 2020-2025 **NSF Secure and Trustworthy Cyberspace (SaTC)**, *CAREER: Towards Data-Driven Methods to Counter Online Aggression (PI, \$549,331)*.
- 2020-2021 **BU Engineering Dean's Catalyst Award**, *Real Time Monitoring of Disinformation Campaigns (PI, \$42,000)*, Co-PI Chris Wells (BU COM).
- 2019-2022 **Hariri Institute Junior Fellowship**, *(PI, \$10,000)*.
- 2020 **BU Institute for Health System Innovation & Policy Summer Research Project**, *Tracking COVID-19 Misinformation Campaigns across Social Media (PI, \$4,800)*.
- 2018 **Facebook Secure the Internet Grant**, *Understanding the Use of Hijacked Facebook Accounts in the Wild, (PI, \$92,000 – Research Gift)*.

At Boston University - Co-PI

- 2022-2023 **BU Hariri Institute Focused Research Program**, *Data and Misinformation in an Era of Sustainability and Climate Change Crises (Co-PI, \$247,347, personal share \$42,000)*, PIs Chris Wells, Sarah Finnie Robinson, Irena Vodenska, Co-PIs Michelle Amazeen, Hyunuk Kim, Arunima Krishna).
- 2022-2023 **Red Hat Collaboratory Research Incubation Award**, *AI for Cloud Ops (Co-PI, \$836,994, personal share \$216,056)*, PI Ayse Coskun, Co-PI Alan Liu.
- 2021-2022 **NSF Convergence Accelerator**, *NSF Convergence Accelerator Track F: America's Fourth Estate at Risk: A System for Mapping the (Local) Journalism Life Cycle to Rebuild the Nation's News Trust (Co-PI, \$750,000, BU share \$186,977)*, PI Eduard Dragut (Temple), Co-PIs Cornelia Cagagea (UIC), Lei Guo (BU), Robert Holbert (Temple).
- 2021 **BU Hariri Institute Focused Research Program**, *Leveraging AI to Examine Disparities and Bias in Health Care (Co-PI, \$209,205)*, Co-PI Iannis Paschalidis (BU ECE).
- 2020-2022 **NSF Partnership for Industry (PFI)**, *A Multi-Disciplinary Approach to Detecting Adolescent Online Risks (Senior Personnel, share \$128,987)*, PI Pamela Wisniewski (UCF), Co-PI Munmun De Chowdhury (Georgia Tech).
- 2020-2021 **BU Hariri Institute Incubation Award**, *Towards Developing Computational Models to Predict the Spreading of Radicalizing Content on the Web (Co-PI, \$54,950)*, PI Jessica Stern (BU Pardee School).

At University College London

- 2018 **GCHQ Small Grant**, *Understanding the Benefits and Drawbacks of Capture the Flag (CTF) exercises in an organisational context, (PI, £29,988)*.
- 2017 **EPSRC-Funded PETRAS Hub Grant**, *Botthings: Modelling The Potential Impact Of IoT Boosted Botnet Attacks, (PI, £118,525)*.

- 2017 **EPSRC Standard Research**, EP/P011896/1 — *ACCEPT: Addressing Cybersecurity and Cybercrime via a co-Evolutionary aPproach to reducing human-relaTed risks*, (Co-PI, £1,101,225).
- 2016 **EPSRC-funded BEAMS Future Leaders in Engineering and Physical Sciences**, *Measuring and countering malware delivery networks*, (PI, £29,054).
- 2016 **EPSRC Standard Research**, EP/N028112/1 — *DAPM: Detecting and Preventing Mass-Marketing Fraud (MMF)*, (Co-PI, £1,056,471 — UCL share £246,742).
- 2016 **GCHQ Small Grant**, *Developing a Malware Analysis Infrastructure at UCL* (PI, £14,244.84).
- 2015 **Google Research Award**, *Understanding the Use of Stolen Accounts by Cybercriminals* (PI, \$66,500).
- 2015 **Horizon 2020 MSCA Rise Scheme**, H2020-MSCA-RISE ENCASE — *EnhaNcing seCurity And privacy in the Social wEb: a user centered approach for the protection of minors* (Co-PI, €2,160,000 — UCL share €324,000).
- 2015 **EPSRC First Grant Scheme**, EP/N008448/1 — *Inferring the Purpose of Network Activities* (PI, £122,803).

Publications

The names of advised students/postdocs are underlined>.

Total number of peer-reviewed publications: 155

Total number of citations (Google Scholar, June 2024): 12,230

H-index (Google Scholar, June 2024): 58

Book Chapters

(B3) **G. Stringhini**, J. Blackburn. Understanding the Phases of Coordinated Online Aggression Attacks. In *Social Processes of Online Hate*, 2025 (in Print).

(B2) **G. Stringhini**. Adversarial Behaviours Knowledge Area. In *Cyber Security Body of Knowledge (CYBOK)*, 2019.

(B1) **G. Stringhini**. Fighting cybercrime once it switches from the online world to the real world. In *Routledge Handbook of Crime Science*, 2018.

Journal Papers

(J22) A. Alsoubai, A. Razi, Z. Agha, S. Ali, **G. Stringhini**, M. De Choudhury, P. Wisniewski. Profiling the Offline and Online Risk Experiences of Youth to Develop Targeted Interventions for Online Safety. In *Proceedings of the ACM on Human Computer Interaction (CSCW)*, 2024.

(J21) S. Ali, A. Razi, A. Alsoubai, S. Kim, C. Ling, M. De Choudhury, P. Wisniewski, **G. Stringhini**. Getting Meta: A Multimodal Approach for Detecting Unsafe Conversations within Instagram Direct Messages of Youth. In *Proceedings of the ACM on Human Computer Interaction (CSCW)*, 2023.

(J20) Y. Wang, C. Ling, **G. Stringhini**. Understanding the Use of Images to Spread COVID-19 Misinformation on Twitter. In *Proceedings of the ACM on Human Computer Interaction (CSCW)*, 2023.

- (J19) A. Razi, S. Kim, A. Alsoubai, S. Ali, **G. Stringhini**, M. De Choudhury, P. Wisniewski. Sliding into My DMs: Detecting Uncomfortable or Unsafe Sexual Risk Experiences within Instagram Direct Messages Grounded in the Perspective of Youth. In *Proceedings of the ACM on Human Computer Interaction (CSCW)*, 2023.
- (J18) C. Ling, U. Balci, J. Blackburn, **G. Stringhini**. A First Look at Zoombombing. In *IEEE Security & Privacy Magazine*, 2022.
- (J17) A. Razi, S. Kim, **G. Stringhini**, T. Solorio, M. De Chowdhury, P. Wisniewski. A Human-Centered Systematic Literature Review of the Computational Approaches for Online Sexual Risk Detection. In *Proceedings of the ACM on Human Computer Interaction (CSCW)*, 2021.
- (J16) K. Papadamou, S. Zannettou, J. Blackburn, E. De Cristofaro, **G. Stringhini**, M. Sirivianos. “How over is it?” Understanding the Incel Community on Youtube. In *Proceedings of the ACM on Human Computer Interaction (CSCW)*, 2021.
- (J15) S. Kim, A. Razi, **G. Stringhini**, P. Wisniewski, M. De Choudhury. A Human-Centered Systematic Literature Review of Cyberbullying Detection Algorithms. In *Proceedings of the ACM on Human Computer Interaction (CSCW)*, 2021.
- (J14) P. Doerfler, A. Forte, E. De Cristofaro, **G. Stringhini**, J. Blackburn, D. McCoy. “I’m a Professor, which isn’t usually a dangerous job”: Internet-Facilitated Harassment and its Impact on Researchers. In *Proceedings of the ACM on Human Computer Interaction (CSCW)*, 2021.
- (J13) M. Ribeiro, S. Jhaver, S. Zannettou, J. Blackburn, E. De Cristofaro, **G. Stringhini**, R. West. Does Platform Migration Compromise Content Moderation? Evidence from r/The_Donald and r/Incels. In *Proceedings of the ACM on Human Computer Interaction (CSCW)*, 2021.
- (J12) C. Ling, I. AbuHilal, J. Blackburn, E. De Cristofaro, S. Zannettou, **G. Stringhini**. Dissecting the Meme Magic: Understanding Indicators of Virality in Image Memes. In *Proceedings of the ACM on Human Computer Interaction (CSCW)*, 2021.
- (J11) G. Suarez-Tangil, **G. Stringhini**. Eight Years of Rider Measurement in the Android Malware Ecosystem: Evolution and Lessons Learned. In *IEEE Transactions on Dependable and Secure Computing (TDSC)*, 2020.
- (J10) G. Suarez-Tangil, M. Edwards, C. Peersman, **G. Stringhini**, A. Rashid, M. Whitty. Automatically Dismantling Online Dating Fraud. In *IEEE Transactions on Information Forensics and Security (TIFS)*, 2020.
- (J9) E. Mariconti, G. Suarez-Tangil, J. Blackburn, E. De Cristofaro, N. Kourtellis, I. Leontiadis, J. Luque Serrano, **G. Stringhini**. “You Know What to Do”: Proactive Detection of YouTube Videos Targeted by Coordinated Hate Attacks. In *Proceedings of the ACM on Human Computer Interaction (CSCW)*, 2019.
- (J8) D. Chatzakou, N. Kourtellis, J. Blackburn, E. De Cristofaro, **G. Stringhini**, A. Vakali. Detecting Cyberbullying and Cyberaggression in Social Media. In *ACM Transactions on the Web (TWEB)*, 2019.
- (J7) E. Mariconti, L. Onwuzurike, P. Andriotis, E. De Cristofaro, G. Ross, **G. Stringhini**. MaMaDroid: Detecting Android Malware by Building Markov Chains of Behavioral Models (Extended Version). In *ACM Transactions on Privacy and Security (TOPS)*, 2019.

(J6) A. Bermudez-Villalva, J. Onalapo, M. Musolesi, **G. Stringhini**. Under and Over the Surface: A Comparison Of The Use Of Leaked Account Credentials in the Dark and Surface Web. In *Journal of Crime Science*, 2018.

(J5) A. Ioannou, J. Blackburn, **G. Stringhini**, E. De Cristofaro, N. Kourtellis, M. Sirivianos. From risk factors to detection and intervention: a practical proposal for future work on cyberbullying. In *Behaviour and Information Technology*, 2018.

(J4) P. Andriotis, M.A. Sasse, **G. Stringhini**. Studying Users' Adaptation to Android's Runtime Fine-grained Access Control System. In *Journal of Information Security and Applications*, 2018.

(J3) I. Becker, A. Hutchings, R. Abu-Salma, R. Anderson, N. Bohm, S. Murdoch, M.A. Sasse, **G. Stringhini**. International Comparison of Bank Fraud Reimbursement: Customer Perceptions and Contractual Terms. In *Journal of Cybersecurity*, 2018.

(J2) M. Egele, **G. Stringhini**, C. Kruegel, G. Vigna. Towards Detecting Compromised Accounts on Social Networks. In *IEEE Transactions on Dependable and Secure Computing (TDSC)*, 2016.

(J1) **G. Stringhini**, M. Egele, C. Kruegel, and G. Vigna. Poultry Markets: On the Underground Economy of Twitter Followers. In *ACM SIGCOMM Computer Communication Review - Volume 42 Issue 4*, 2012.

Conference Proceedings

(C97) Z. Sun, F. B. Kokulu, P. Zhang, A. Oest, **G. Stringhini**, T. Bao, R. Wang, Y. Shoshitaishvili, A. Doupè, G.J. Ahn. From Victims to Defenders: An Exploration of the Phishing Attack Reporting Ecosystem. In *International Symposium on Research in Attacks, Intrusions and Defenses (RAID)*, 2024.

(C96) Z. Zhang, R. Kumar, J. Li, L. Korver, A. Byrne, **G. Stringhini**, A. Matta, A. Coskun. PraxiPaaS: A Decomposable Machine Learning System for Efficient Container Package Discovery. In *IEEE International Conference on Cloud Engineering (IC2E)*, 2024.

(C95) M. Toslali, S. M. Qasim, S. Parthasarathy, F. Oliveira, H. Huang, **G. Stringhini**, Z. Liu, A. Coskun. Astraea: An Online, Probabilistic Distributed Tracing System. In *IEEE International Conference on Cloud Engineering (IC2E)*, 2024.

(C94) I. Angelakopoulos, **G. Stringhini**, M. Egele. Pandawan: Quantifying Progress in Linux-based Firmware Rehosting. In *USENIX Security Symposium*, 2024.

(C93) J. Patel, P. Paudel, E. De Cristofaro, **G. Stringhini**, J. Blackburn. iDRAMA-scored-2024: A Dataset of the Scored-co platform Spanning 2020 to 2023. In *AAAI International Conference on Web and Social Media (ICWSM)*, 2024.

(C92) S. Ullah, M. Han, S. Pujar, H. Pearce, A. Coskun, **G. Stringhini**. LLMs Cannot Reliably Identify and Reason About Security Vulnerabilities (Yet?): A Comprehensive Evaluation, Framework, and Benchmarks. In *IEEE Symposium on Security and Privacy*, 2024.

(C91) P. Paudel, C. Ling, J. Blackburn, **G. Stringhini**. PIXELMOD: Improving Soft Moderation of Visual Misleading Information on Twitter. In *USENIX Security Symposium*, 2024.

- (C90) P. Paudel, M.H. Saeed, R. Auger, C. Wells, **G. Stringhini**. Enabling Contextual Soft Moderation on Social Media through Contrastive Textual Deviation. In *USENIX Security Symposium*, 2024.
- (C89) A. Alsoubai, J. Park, S. Qadir, **G. Stringhini**, A. Razi, P. Wisniewski. Systemization of Knowledge (SoK): Creating a Research Agenda for Human-Centered Real-Time Risk Detection on Social Media Platforms. In *ACM Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems (CHI)*, 2024.
- (C88) M.H. Saeed, K. Papadamou, J. Blackburn, E. De Cristofaro, **G. Stringhini**. TUBERAIDER: Attributing Coordinated Hate Attacks on YouTube Videos to their Source Communities. In *AAAI International Conference on Web and Social Media (ICWSM)*, 2024.
- (C87) M. Singhal, C. Ling, P. Paudel, P. Thota, N. Kumarswamy, **G. Stringhini**, S. Nilizadeh. SoK: Content Moderation in Social Media, from Guidelines to Enforcement, and Research to Practice. In *IEEE European Symposium on Security and Privacy*, 2023.
- (C86) P. Paudel, J. Blackburn, E. De Cristofaro, S. Zannettou, **G. Stringhini**. Lambretta: Learning to Rank for Twitter Soft Moderation. In *IEEE Symposium on Security and Privacy*, 2023.
- (C85) I. Angelakopoulos, **G. Stringhini**, M. Egele. FirmSolo: Enabling dynamic analysis of binary Linux-based IoT kernel modules. In *USENIX Security Symposium*, 2023.
- (C84) A. Efstratiou, J. Blackburn, T. Caulfield, **G. Stringhini**, S. Zannettou, E. De Cristofaro. Non-Polar Opposites: Analyzing the Relationship Between Echo Chambers and Hostile Intergroup Interactions on Reddit. In *AAAI International Conference on Web and Social Media (ICWSM)*, 2023.
- (C83) U. Balci, C. Ling, E. De Cristofaro, M. Squire, **G. Stringhini**, J. Blackburn. Beyond Fish and Bicycles: Exploring the Varieties of Online Women's Ideological Spaces. In *ACM Web Science Conference (WebSci)*, 2023.
- (C82) W.M. Si, M. Backes, J. Blackburn, E. De Cristofaro, **G. Stringhini**, S. Zannettou, Y. Zhang. Why So Toxic? Measuring and Triggering Toxic Behavior in Open-Domain Chatbots. In *ACM SIGSAC Conference on Computer and Communications Security (CCS)*, 2022.
- (C81) M. Naseri, Y. Han, E. Mariconti, Y. Shen, **G. Stringhini**, E. De Cristofaro. CERBERUS: Federated Prediction of Security Events. In *ACM SIGSAC Conference on Computer and Communications Security (CCS)*, 2022.
- (C80) C. Ling, J. Blackburn, E. De Cristofaro, **G. Stringhini**. Slapping Cats, Bopping Heads, and Oreo Shakes: Understanding Indicators of Virality in TikTok Short Videos. In *ACM Web Science Conference (WebSci)*, 2022.
- (C79) Y. Shen, Y. Han, Z. Zhang, M. Chen, T. Yu, M. Backes, Y. Zhang, **G. Stringhini**. Finding MNEMON: Reviving Memories of Node Embeddings. In *ACM SIGSAC Conference on Computer and Communications Security (CCS)*, 2022.
- (C78) S. Ali, A. Razi, S. Kim, A. Alsoubai, J. Gracie, M. De Chouwhury, P. Wisniewski, **G. Stringhini**. Understanding the Digital Lives of Youth: Analyzing Media Shared within Safe

Versus Unsafe Private Conversations on Instagram. In *ACM CHI Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems (CHI)*, 2022.

(C77) M. H. Saeed, S. Ali, J. Blackburn, E. De Cristofaro, S. Zannettou, **G. Stringhini**. TrollMagnifier: Detecting State-Sponsored Troll Accounts on Reddit. In *IEEE Symposium on Security and Privacy (Oakland)*, 2022.

(C76) K. Papadamou, S. Zannettou, J. Blackburn, E. De Cristofaro, **G. Stringhini**, M. Sirivianos. "It's just a flu": Assessing the Effect of Watch History on YouTube's Pseudoscientific Video Recommendations. In *AAAI International Conference on Web and Social Media (ICWSM)*, 2022.

(C75) Y. Shen, P.A. Vervier, **G. Stringhini**. A Large-scale Temporal Measurement of Android Malicious Apps: Persistence, Migration, and Lessons Learned. In *USENIX Security Symposium*, 2022.

(C74) M. Aliapoulos, A. Papasavva, C. Ballard, E. De Cristofaro, **G. Stringhini**, S. Zannettou, J. Blackburn. The Gospel According to Q: Understanding the QAnon Conspiracy from the Perspective of Canonical Information. In *AAAI International Conference on Web and Social Media (ICWSM)*, 2022.

(C73) A. Bermudez Villalva, **G. Stringhini**. The shady economy: Understanding the difference in trading activity from underground forums in different layers of the Web. In *APWG eCrime Symposium*, 2021.

(C72) Y. Wang, S. Zannettou, J. Blackburn, B. Bradlyn, E. De Cristofaro, **G. Stringhini**. A Multi-Platform Analysis of Political News Discussion and Sharing on Web Communities. In *IEEE International Conference on Big Data (BigData)*, 2021.

(C71) C. Ife, Y. Shen, S. Murdoch, **G. Stringhini**. Marked for Disruption: Tracing the Evolution of Malware Delivery Operations Targeted for Takedown. In *International Symposium on Research in Attacks, Intrusions and Defenses (RAID)*, 2021.

(C70) O. Bordeanu, T. Davies, Y. Shen, **G. Stringhini**. Jabbic lookups: a backend telemetry-based system for malware triage. In *EAI SecureComm*, 2021.

(C69) S. Ali, H. Saeed, E. Aldreabi, J. Blackburn, E. De Cristofaro, S. Zannettou, **G. Stringhini**. Understanding the Effect of Deplatforming on Social Networks. In *ACM Web Science Conference (WebSci)*, 2021.

(C68) M. Aliapoulos, E. Bevensee, J. Blackburn, B. Bradlyn, E. De Cristofaro, **G. Stringhini**, S. Zannettou. A Large Open Dataset from the Parler Social Network. In *AAAI International Conference on Web and Social Media (ICWSM)*, 2021.

(C67) O. Zungur, A. Bianchi, **G. Stringhini**, M. Egele. AppJitsu: Investigating the Resiliency of Android Applications. In *IEEE European Symposium on Security and Privacy (Euro S&P)*, 2021.

(C66) Y. Shen and **G. Stringhini**. ANDRUSPEX: Leveraging Graph Representation Learning to Predict Harmful App Installations on Mobile Devices. In *IEEE European Symposium on Security and Privacy (Euro S&P)*, 2021.

(C65) A. Papasavva, J. Blackburn, **G. Stringhini**, S. Zannettou, E. De Cristofaro. "Is it a Qoincidence?": A First Step Towards Understanding and Characterizing the QAnon Movement on Voat.co. In *The Web Conference (WWW)*, 2021.

- (C64) F. Tahmasbi, L. Schild, C. Ling, J. Blackburn, **G. Stringhini**, Y. Zhang, S. Zannettou. "Go eat a bat, Chang!": On the Emergence of Sinophobic Behavior on Web Communities in the Face of COVID-19. In *The Web Conference (WWW)*, 2021.
- (C63) B. Kaleli, B. Kondracki, M. Egele, N. Nikiforakis, **G. Stringhini**. To Err.Is Human: Characterizing the Threat of Unintended URLs in Social Media. In *ISOC Network and Distributed Systems Security Symposium (NDSS)*, 2021.
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- 2015-2020 **ACM Conference on Computer and Communications Security (CCS)**.
- 2018-2019 **ACM SIGCOMM Internet Measurement Conference (IMC)**.
- 2017, 2019 **ACM Asia Conference on Computer and Communications Security (ASIACCS)**.
- 2015-2018 **European Workshop on System Security (EuroSec)**.
- 2017-2018 **Workshop on Innovations in Mobile Privacy and Security (IMPS)**.
- 2017-2018 **Workshop on Targeted Attacks**.
- 2017-2019 **CyberSafety Workshop**.
- 2016, 2018 **USENIX Workshop on Cyber Security Experimentation and Test (CSET)**.
- 2016-2017 **eCrime Symposium**.
- 2016 **International Symposium on Engineering Secure Software and Systems (ESSoS)**.
- 2015 **ACM Cloud Computing Security Workshop (CCSW)**.
- 2015 **International World Wide Web Conference (WWW), Demo Track**.

- 2015 **International Conference on Availability, Reliability and Security (ARES).**
- 2015 **IEEE International Conference on Distributed Computing Systems (ICDCS), Security and Privacy Track.**
- 2015 **OWASP AppSecEU.**
- 2014 **IEEE International Symposium on Cyberspace Safety and Security (CSS).**
- 2014 **Annual Workshop on Simplifying Complex Networks for Practitioners (SIMPLEX).**

--- Teaching

At Boston University

- 2019-2024 **EC 327: Introduction to Software Engineering**, *Boston University*, Boston, MA.
- 2020-2023 **EC 521: Cybersecurity**, *Boston University*, Boston, MA.
- 2019-2023 **EC 700: Malware, Online Abuse, and Cybercrime**, *Boston University*, Boston, MA.
- 2020 **UK Cybersecurity Winter School**, *Newcastle University*, Newcastle, UK.
Lecture

At University College London

- 2015-2018 **UCL Computer Science Hacking Seminar**, *University College London*, London, UK.
- 2016-2018 **SECUGC62: Cybercrime**, *University College London*, London, UK.
- 2015-2018 **COMPGA02: Computer Security 2**, *University College London*, London, UK.
- 2017 **Malware**, *University of Oxford*, Oxford, UK.
Lecturer for a week-long course in the Software Engineering Programme (SEP)
- 2015-2017 **Malware**, *University of Oxford*, Oxford, UK.
Lecturer for a week-long course in the Centre for Doctoral Training in Cyber Security
- 2017 **Usable Security and Privacy in Online Social Networks Summer School**, *Cyprus University of Technology*, Cyprus, CY.
Lecture

--- Mentorship and Supervision

Postdoctoral researchers – at University College London

- 2018-2019 **Srdjan Matic**, Now postdoctoral researcher at IMDEA Software.
- 2017-2018 **Guillermo Suárez De Tangil**, Now Faculty at IMDEA Networks.
- 2016 **Panagiotis Andritiotis**, Now Faculty at the University of Birmingham.

PhD students – at Boston University

- 2023- **Olawale Akanji**, Co-advised with Manuel Egele.
- 2023- **Juehao Lin**, Co-advised with Manuel Egele.
- 2023- **William Wang**, Co-advised with Manuel Egele.
- 2021- **Saad Ullah**.
- 2020- **Pujan Paudel**.
- 2018- **Giannis Angelakopoulos**, Co-advised with Manuel Egele.
- 2018- **Beliz Kaleli**, Co-advised with Manuel Egele.

2019-2024 **Shiza Ali.**
2019-2024 **Mohammad Hammas Saeed.**
2019-2024 **Cici Ling.**
2018-2023 **Yuping Wang**, Now Assistant Professor at Renmin University of China.

PhD students – at University College London

2018-2024 **Octavian Bordeanu**, Second Supervisor to Toby Davies.
2016-2022 **Dario Adriano Bermudez Villalva**, Now Research Associate at Royal Holloway, University of London.
2016-2021 **Colin Ife.**
First Employment at Snyk
2017-2021 **Francois Labreche**, *Ecole Polytechnique de Montreal*, (Co-advised with Josè Fernandez), Now at SecureWorks.
2015-2020 **Beatrice Perez**, Second Supervisor to Mirco Musolesi.
First Employment CIFI Fellow at Dartmouth College
2016-2019 **Cerys Bradley**, First Employment Researcher at Galop.
2015-2019 **Enrico Mariconti**, Now Faculty at University College London.
2014-2019 **Jeremiah Onalapo**, Now Tenure Track Assistant Professor at the University of Vermont.
2014-2018 **Lucky Onwuzurike**, Second Supervisor to Emiliano De Cristofaro.
First Employment at EY

MS/MEng Students – at Boston University

2023-2024 **Arthur Savage, Jingyi Zhang.**
2023 **Angela Castronuovo.**
2021-2022 **Assel Aliyeva, Fahad Farid.**

MS/MEng Students – at University College London

2016-2017 **Giulia Della Rossa, Anastasia Grigoropolou, Spyridoula Karapanagioti, Andria Kyriacou, Qiaoyu Luo, Christopher Ojinaka, Adrian Rothan Ortiz, Tom Sigler.**
2015-2016 **Mahmoud Al-ghreify, Antonios Athanasopoulos, Emeric Bernard-Jones, Alex Kornitzer, Beverley Nutter, Natdanai Saitong-in, Elodie Thomann, Matthew Wixey.**
2014-2015 **Aristeidis Athanasiou, Sarah Azouvi, Khalid Binsaeed, Caitlin Egen, Andreas Haslebacher, Katarzyna Klosieska, Nicolas Nikiforou, Bethany Simpson.**

BS Students – at Boston University

2023-2024 **Primah Muwanga, Jason Redick.**
2020-2022 **Quan Minh Pham.**
2019-2020 **Terry Zhen.**

BS Students – at University College London

2017-2018 **Amir Dhada.**
2015-2016 **Martin Lazarov.**
2014-2015 **Giulia Deiana, Genki Saito, Cheung Tin Timothy Szeto.**

Visiting Students

- 2020 **Simone Patuelli**, *Visiting MS Student from Politecnico di Milano.*
2017 **Omid Mirzaei**, *Visiting PhD Student from University Carlos III de Madrid.*
2017 **Francois Labrèche**, *Visiting PhD Student from Ecole Polytechnique de Montreal.*
2015-2016 **Beata Slomka**, *Visiting PhD Student from University of Warsaw.*

PhD examinations

- 2023-2024 **Ashwaq Alsoubai (Vanderbilt)**, **Freddie Barr-Smith (Oxford University)**, **Alexander Bulekov (BU)**, **Feisi Fu (BU)**, **Seunghyun Kim (Georgia Tech)**, **Stefan Gvozdenovic (BU)**.
2022-2023 **Novak Boskov (BU)**, **Rasoul Jahanshahi (BU)**, **Jan Leukfeldt (KIT)**, **Sadullah Kanakci (BU)**.
2021-2022 **Max Aliapoulous (NYU)**, **Muhammad Anas Imtiaz (BU)**, **Calvin Brierley (University of Kent)**, **Henry Clausen (University of Edinburgh)**.
2020-2021 **Andrew Cutler (BU)**, **Leila Delshadtehrani (BU)**, **Ziya Alper Genk (Luxembourg University)**, **Laura Greige (BU)**.
2019-2020 **Onur Zungur (BU)**.
2018-2019 **Sajjad Arshad (Northeastern)**, **Ahmet Buyukkayhan (Northeastern)**, **Boyou Zhou (BU)**.
2017 **Rodrigo Carvalho**, *University of Oxford.*
2016 **Marjan Falahrastegar (Queen Mary University of London)**.
2016 **Mariam Nouh (Oxford University)**.
2016 **Kimberly Tam (Royal Holloway, University of London)**.
2015 **Ingolf Becker (UCL)**.

Government Engagement

- 03/07/2018 **Witness to the Select Committee on International Relations of the House of Lords, House of Parliament**, London, UK, Gave evidence on the threats posed by state and non-state actors to the UK.

Invited Talks

Keynotes

- 9/23/2022 **Computational Methods to Measure and Mitigate Online Disinformation**, *Computing Student Research Day*, University of Vermont, Burlington, VT.
10/07/2021 **A Large-Scale, Multi-Platform, and Multi-Modal Look at Online Disinformation**, *Truth & Trust Online Conference (TTO)*, Online.
05/15/2019 **Computational Methods to Understand and Mitigate Online Hate**, *Workshop on Computational Methods in Online Misbehavior*, San Francisco, CA.
07/21/2015 **On The Threats To Cloud-based Online Service Users**, *International Conference on High Performance Computing and Simulation (HPCS)*, Amsterdam, Netherlands.

Invited talks and seminars

- 10/11/2023 **Computational Methods to Measure and Mitigate Online Aggression**, *Rebooting Social Media Speaker Series*, Harvard Berkman Klein Center.
- 9/27/2023 **Computational Methods to Measure and Mitigate Online Disinformation**, *OSoMe Awesome Speaker Series*, Indiana University (Online).
- 6/30/2023 **Computational Methods to Measure and Mitigate Online Disinformation**, *Doctoral Training Centre in Cybersecurity Symposium*, University College London, UK.
- 05/15/2023 **Computational Methods to Measure and Mitigate Online Aggression**, *Workshop on Social Processes of Online Hate*, University of California, Santa Barbara.
- 11/02/2022 **Measuring and Mitigating Online Influence Campaigns**, *Google Security, Privacy, and Anti-Abuse Research Workshop*, Online.
- 07/12/2022 **Tracking image-based (mis|dis)information**, *Conference on Mis/Dis Information in Global Health*, Massachusetts Institute of Technology.
- 04/27/2022 **A Large-Scale, Multi-Platform, and Multi-Modal Look at Online Disinformation**, *Milton Academy*.
- 04/08/2022 **Computational Methods to Measure and Mitigate Weaponized Online Information**, *Dartmouth College*, Online.
- 02/16/2022 **AI for Cloud Ops**, *Red Hat Research Days*, Online.
- 12/08/2021 **Computational Methods to Measure and Mitigate Weaponized Online Information**, *MIT Lincoln Laboratory*, Online.
- 11/01/2021 **Computational Methods to Measure and Mitigate Weaponized Online Information**, *University of Cambridge*, Online.
- 09/22/2021 **Measuring Image-based COVID Misinformation at Scale**, *BU Research on Tap*, Boston, MA.
- 02/17/2021 **Computational Methods to Measure and Mitigate Weaponized Online Information**, *University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign*, Online.
- 02/12/2021 **Computational Methods to Measure and Mitigate Weaponized Online Information**, *Florida International University*, Online.
- 02/03/2021 **Computational Methods to Understand and Mitigate Online Aggression**, *USENIX Enigma Conference*, Online.
- 09/14/2020 **Computational Methods to Measure and Mitigate Weaponized Online Information**, *Cylab, Carnegie Mellon University*, Online.
- 03/02/2020 **Computational Methods to Measure and Mitigate Weaponized Online Information**, *Exploring Media Ecosystems Conference*, Cambridge, MA.
- 02/14/2020 **Measuring and Disrupting Malware Delivery Networks**, *BU Cloud Computing Workshop*, Boston, MA.
- 02/05/2020 **Data-driven Modeling of Harmful Online Behavior**, *BU Data Science Day*, Boston, MA.
- 12/11/2019 **Computational Methods to Measure and Mitigate Weaponized Online Information**, *Hariri Meet Our Fellows Series*, Boston, MA.
- 07/27/2018 **Understanding the influence of fringe communities on the greater Web**, *University of Chicago*, Chicago, IL.
- 04/16/2018 **A Measurement Study of 4chan's Politically Incorrect Board and its Effects on the Web**, *Europol ECTC Advisory Board*, The Hague, The Netherlands.

- 01/22/2018 **The Influence of Fringe Communities in the Spread of Fake News**, *WebRoots Democracy Workshop*, London, United Kingdom.
- 11/30/2017 **Interdisciplinary Cybercrime Research: Where Are We?**, *RISCS Cybercrime Workshop*, London, United Kingdom.
- 11/16/2017 **Understanding and Mitigating Online Abuse**, *Exeter University*, Exeter, United Kingdom.
- 09/13/2017 **The Hacker, the Swindler, and the Troll: Understanding and Measuring Abuse on Online Services**, *CISPA, University of Saarland*, Saarbrücken, Germany.
- 09/11/2017 **Cyberfraud and Scams**, *Dagstuhl Seminar*, Schloss Dagstuhl, Germany.
- 07/14/2017 **Understanding the Use of Stolen Credentials by Cybercriminals**, *Cambridge Cyber-crime Conference*, Cambridge, UK.
- 06/21/2017 **Understanding Modern Cybercriminal Operations**, *AON Benfield Research Forum*, London, UK.
- 05/24/2017 **Fighting Modern Cybercriminal Operations**, *University of Kent*, Canterbury, UK.
- 05/22/2017 **A Measurement Study of 4chan's Politically Incorrect Forum and its Effects on the Web**, *VoxPol Workshop*, London, UK.
- 11/17/2016 **The Hacker, the Swindler, and the Troll: Understanding and Measuring Abuse on Online Services**, *University of California, Santa Barbara*, Santa Barbara, CA.
- 10/26/2016 **Understanding and Measuring Abuse on Online Services**, *Facebook*, London, UK.
- 06/26/2016 **Understanding and Fighting Cybercriminal Operations**, *Telefonica Investigacion y Desarrollo*, Barcelona, Spain.
- 04/29/2016 **Fighting Modern Cybercriminal Operations**, *University of Oxford*, Oxford, UK.
- 03/16/2016 **Following the Trail of Cybercriminal Operations**, *Workshop on the Human Factors in Security*, *University of Surrey*, Guildford, UK.
- 09/23/2015 **Detecting Compromised Accounts on Online Services**, *Lancaster University*, Lancaster, UK.
- 05/05/2015 **Dissemination of False and Malicious Information on Online Social Networks**, *Sikkerhet & Sårbarhet Workshop*, Trondheim, Norway.
- 05/04/2015 **Dissemination of False and Malicious Information on Online Social Networks**, *Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU)*, Trondheim, Norway.
- 04/21/2015 **On The Exploitation Of Trust On Online Social Networks (And What We Can Do About It)**, *University of Cambridge*, Cambridge, UK.
- 02/09/2015 **On The Exploitation Of Trust On Online Social Networks (And What We Can Do About It)**, *University of Oxford*, Oxford, UK.
- 02/05/2015 **On The Exploitation Of Trust On Online Social Networks (And What We Can Do About It)**, *University of Birmingham*, Birmingham, UK.
- 02/03/2015 **Large Scale Cybercrime Vs. Targeted Attacks: What Are The Differences And How Can We Fight These Threats?**, *CyberCount Workshop*, London, UK.
- 10/30/2014 **Leveraging The Scale Of Cybercrime To Fight Malware Operations**, *Royal Holloway, University of London*, Egham, UK.
- 10/06/2014 **Leveraging The Scale Of Cybercrime To Fight Malware Operations**, *CSecLab Workshop on Mobile Security*, Genova, Italy.
- 05/01/2013 **Fighting Targeted Email Attacks**, *Symantec Corp.*, San Francisco, CA.

- 04/26/2013 **Stepping Up The Cybersecurity Game**, *Yahoo! Inc.*, Sunnyvale, CA.
- 12/13/2012 **Modelling Host Network Behavior To Detect Stealthy And Targeted Attacks**, *IBM T.J. Watson Research Center*, Yorktown Heights, NY.
- 12/22/2011 **The Spammer, the Botmaster, And The Researcher: On The Arms Race In Spamming Botnet Mitigation**, *Università degli Studi di Genova*, Genova, Italy.
- 07/06/2010 **Detecting Spammers On Social Networks**, *Politecnico di Milano*, Milano, Italy.
- 03/23/2010 **Detecting Spammers On Twitter**, *Twitter Inc.*, San Francisco, CA.

In the Press

- 6/20/2024 **Empowering defenders through our Cybersecurity Grant Program**, *OpenAI Blog*, <https://openai.com/index/empowering-defenders-through-our-cybersecurity-grant-program/>.
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- 9/26/2023 **No, the warnings about the 'Mexico did it' virus aren't legitimate**, *Verify*, <https://www.verifythis.com/article/news/verify/social-media/mexico-did-it-virus-warnings-not-legitimate-fact-check/536-54e64395-0360-41f8-9cab-c407d1c6d330>.
- 9/19/2023 **False claim of malware disguised as message about COVID-19 and Mexico**, *USA Today*, <https://www.usatoday.com/story/news/factcheck/2023/09/19/experts-say-no-evidence-of-malware-message-about-mexico-fact-check/70867234007/>.
- 7/26/2023 **Inside the Mind of an Internet-Safety Vanguard**, *The Brink*, <https://www.bu.edu/articles/2023/inside-the-mind-of-an-internet-safety-vanguard/>.
- 1/14/2023 **Andrew Tate charged with human trafficking — and continues to gain followers**, *Salon*, <https://www.salon.com/2023/01/14/andrew-tate-charged-with-human-trafficking-and-continues-to-gain-followers/>.
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- 11/17/2022 **The Twitter Bubble Let Democrats Defy Political Gravity**, *Wired*, <https://www.wired.com/story/election-twitter-midterms-trans-kids/>.
- 11/17/2022 **Elon Musk is planning a subtle change to Twitter that could make it harder to stop the bots**, *CNN*, <https://www.cnn.com/2022/11/17/tech/elon-musk-twitter-device-identifiers/index.html>.
- 11/10/2022 **Un mondo senza Twitter è possibile?**, *Il Post*, <https://www.ilpost.it/2022/11/10/senza-twitter/>.
- 11/08/2022 **Internet and Extremism Experts Predict More Hate Speech and Conspiracy Theories on Musk's Twitter**, *Scientific American*, <https://www.scientificamerican.com/article/internet-and-extremism-experts-predict-more-hate-speech-and-conspiracy-theories-on-musks-twitter/>.
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- 12/1/2021 **Researchers Have a Method to Spot Reddit’s State-Backed Trolls**, *Wired*, <https://www.wired.co.uk/article/researchers-reddit-state-trolls>.
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