

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

Computer & web security, applied cryptography, cryptocurrencies, human authentication

## CURRENT POSITION

**Assistant Professor** New York University, 2017–present  
– Department of Computer Science, Courant Institute

## EDUCATION & ACADEMIC POSITIONS

**Postdoctoral Researcher** Stanford University, 2015–2016 (half-time appointment)

- Supervisor: Professor Dan Boneh
- Research areas: cryptocurrencies, secure messaging

**Technology Fellow** Electronic Frontier Foundation, 2015–2016 (half-time appointment)

- Supervisor: Peter Eckersley (EFF Chief Computer Scientist)
- Project areas: policy and regulation for secure messaging, HTTPS, cryptocurrencies

**Secure Usability Senior Fellowship**, Open Technology Fund. 2015.

**Postdoctoral Fellow** Center for Information Technology Policy, Princeton University, 2014.

- Supervisors: Professor Arvind Narayanan and Professor Ed Felten
- Research areas: Cryptocurrencies, secure messaging, HTTPS, password security

**Ph.D** Computer Laboratory, University of Cambridge, 2008–2012.

- Thesis title: Guessing human-chosen secrets (May 2012)
- Supervisor: Professor Ross Anderson
- Gates Cambridge Scholar

**M.S.** Dept. of Computer Science, Stanford University, 2006–2007.

- Research project: Cache-based timing attacks on AES
- Supervisor: Professor Dan Boneh
- Relevant coursework: cryptography, systems security, finite-state model checking

**B.S.** Dept. of Computer Science, Stanford University, 2002–2006.

- Terman award winner (top of graduating class)
- Degree conferred with distinction
- Relevant coursework: operating systems, compilers, databases, algorithms, complexity theory, AI, computer architecture, calculus, probability, number theory, group theory, physics.

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

**Google Inc.**, New York, NY. Engineer, 2012–2014.

- Design lead for new project for cross-platform application identification.
- Initiated new project on HTTPS link security across Google properties.

**Yahoo! Inc.**, Sunnyvale, CA. Intern, 2011.

- Researched password choices of Yahoo! users.
- Contributed to development of a dynamic password blacklist.

**Cryptography Research, Inc.**, San Francisco, CA. Cryptographic Scientist, 2007–2008.

- Researched differential power analysis attacks and countermeasures.

- Developed obfuscation techniques and white-box cryptography for Blu-Ray discs.
- Security consultant for a range of consumer electronics products and websites.

**Microsoft Corporation**, Redmond, WA. Software Development Intern, 2006.

- Developed obfuscation tool for binary executable files.

**Federal Bureau of Investigation**, Washington, DC. Honors Intern, 2005.

- Designed and developed secure software for document management application.

**Integration Appliance, Inc.**, Palo Alto, CA. Software Development Intern, 2004.

- Developed database management visualization interface.

## TEACHING

**Co-Instructor & Co-Designer** w/Professor Dan Boneh. Stanford University CS 251: Cryptocurrencies, 20 lecture course (2015)

**Co-Instructor** w/Professor Ed Felten and Professor Arvind Narayanan. BTC-Tech Bitcoin and Cryptocurrencies MOOC, 11 lecture massively open online course (MOOC) (2015)

**Co-Instructor & Co-Designer** w/Professor Arvind Narayanan. Princeton University COS 597E: Bitcoin and Cryptocurrency Technologies, 20 lecture course (2014)

**Instructor**, East Jersey State Prison. Introduction to Probability and Statistics (2014)

**Course Lecturer**, University of Cambridge. Big Data, 4 lecture short course (2012)

**Guest Lecturer**, University of Cambridge. Privacy in social networks (2009, 2010), Web authentication (2010, 2011), Side-channel cryptanalysis (2010, 2011)

**Course Supervisor**, University of Cambridge. Cryptography (2008–2011), Computer Security (2009–2011), Economics and Law for Computer Science (2009–2010), Business Studies (2011), Discrete Mathematics (2010)

**Teaching Assistant**, Stanford University. Discrete Mathematics A (2006–2007), Discrete Mathematics B (2007), Senior Projects (2006), Introduction to Programming (2004–2006)

## PROGRAM COMMITTEES

**USENIX Security Symposium**—2018, 2017, 2016, 2015

**IEEE Symposium on Security and Privacy (Oakland)**—2017, 2016 (Student PC Chair), 2015

**Network and Distributed Systems Security Symposium (NDSS)**—2017, 2015

**ACM Conference on Computer and Communication Security (CCS)**—2016, 2015

**Symposium on Usable Privacy and Security (SOUPS)**—2015, 2014

**Financial Cryptography**—2017, 2016, 2015 (General Chair)

**Privacy Enhancing Technologies Symposium (PETS)**—2018, 2017, 2016, 2015

**European Symposium and Security and Privacy (Euro S&P)**—2017

**Workshop on Bitcoin and Blockchain Research (BITCOIN)**—2017 (PC chair), 2016, 2015

**Workshop on the Economics of Information Security (WEIS)**—2016, 2014

**IEEE Security & Privacy on the Blockchain**—2018, 2017

**Blockchain Protocol Analysis and Security Engineering**—2018, 2017

**International World Wide Web Conference (WWW), Security Track**—2017, 2016, 2015, 2012

**USENIX Enigma**—2017

**EuroUSEC: 2nd European Workshop on Usable Security**—2018, 2017

**Passwords**—2016, 2015

**USENIX Summit on Hot Topics in Security (HotSec)—2015** (Program Chair)  
**International Conference on Information Security (ISC)—2014**  
**Learning from Authoritative Experiments in Security Research Workshop (LASER)—2013**  
**Workshop on Social Network Systems (SNS)—2010**

## LEADERSHIP POSITIONS

**2015–2017**—Sea Kayaking Guide, Environmental Traveling Companions  
**2015**—Teacher, Prison University Project  
**2014**—Teacher, Princeton Prison Teaching Initiative  
**2009–2010**—President, Gates Scholars’ Society  
**2009–2010**—Chairperson, Gates Scholars’ Council  
**2009–2011**—MCR Technology Officer, Churchill College  
**2009–2010**—Organiser for Security Seminar Series, Cambridge Computer Laboratory

## HONORS & AWARDS

**2017**—Caspar Bowden Privacy Enhancing Technology Award, PETS  
**2015**—Best Student/Postdoctoral Paper Award, WWW Security  
**2015**—Best Reviewer Award, IEEE Security and Privacy (Oakland)  
**2013**—NSA Award for Best Scientific Cybersecurity Paper  
**2012**—Best Data Control Project, Wall Street Journal Data Transparency Weekend  
**2008**—Gates Cambridge Scholarship  
**2006**—Frederick E. Terman Engineering Scholastic Award (top 5% of School of Engineering)  
**2006**—B.S. conferred with distinction (top of Computer Science Department)  
**2002**—National Merit Scholarship  
**2002**—Robert C. Byrd Scholarship

## CERTIFICATIONS

**2002**—Private Pilot’s Certificate  
**2012**—Open Water Scuba Diver  
**2013**—Certified Information Privacy Professional  
**2013**—Emergency Medical Technician  
**2013**—Wilderness Medical Technician  
**2015**—Sea Kayaking Guide

## PERSONAL

**Nationality:** USA, born 1984 in San Francisco, CA.  
**Language:** English (native). Conversant in French and Spanish.

## TEXTBOOK

Arvind Narayanan, **Joseph Bonneau**, Edward Felten, Andrew Miller, and Steven Goldfeder. *Bitcoin and Cryptocurrency Technologies*. Princeton University Press, 2016

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PUBLICATIONS IN TOP-TIER CONFERENCES & JOURNALS

Ruba Abu-Salma, M. Angela Sasse, **Joseph Bonneau**, Anastasia Danilova, Alena Naiakshina, and Matthew Smith. Obstacles to the Adoption of Secure Communication Tools. In *2017 IEEE Symposium on Security and Privacy*, May 2017

Joshua Tan, Lujo Bauer, **Joseph Bonneau**, Lorrie Faith Cranor, Jeremy Thomas, and Blase Ur. Can Unicorns Help Users Compare Crypto Key Fingerprints? In *The 2017 ACM CHI Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems*, May 2017


Jeremiah Blocki, Anupam Datta, and **Joseph Bonneau**. Differentially Private Password Frequency Lists. In *NDSS '16: The 2016 Network and Distributed System Security Symposium*, February 2016

Gaby G. Dagher, Benedikt Bunz, **Joseph Bonneau**, Jeremy Clark, and Dan Boneh. Provisions: Privacy-preserving proofs of solvency for Bitcoin exchanges. In *CCS '15: Proceedings of the 22<sup>nd</sup> ACM Conference on Computer and Communications Security*, October 2015

Marcela S. Melara, Aaron Blankstein, **Joseph Bonneau**, Michael J. Freedman, and Edward W. Felten. CONIKS: Bringing Key Transparency to End Users. In *Proceedings of the 24th USENIX Security Symposium*, August 2015  **2017 PET Award**

**Joseph Bonneau**, Cormac Herley, Paul C. van Oorschot, and Frank Stajano. Passwords and the Evolution of Imperfect Authentication. *Communications of the ACM*, July 2015

Nik Unger, Sergej Dechand, **Joseph Bonneau**, Sascha Fahl, Henning Perl, Ian Goldberg, and Matthew Smith. SoK: Secure Messaging. In *2015 IEEE Symposium on Security and Privacy*, May 2015

**Joseph Bonneau**, Elie Bursztein, Ilan Caron, Rob Jackson, and Mike Williamson. Secrets, Lies, and Account Recovery: Lessons from the Use of Personal Knowledge Questions at Google. In *25th International World Wide Web Conference (WWW)*, May 2015  **Best Student Paper**

**Joseph Bonneau**, Andrew Miller, Jeremy Clark, Arvind Narayanan, Joshua A. Kroll, and Edward W. Felten. Research Perspectives and Challenges for Bitcoin and Cryptocurrencies. In *2015 IEEE Symposium on Security and Privacy*, May 2015


Rahul Chatterjee, **Joseph Bonneau**, Ari Juels, and Thomas Ristenpart. Cracking-Resistant Password Vaults using Natural Language Encoders. In *2015 IEEE Symposium on Security and Privacy*, May 2015

Michael Kranch and **Joseph Bonneau**. Upgrading HTTPS in Mid-Air: An Empirical Study of Strict Transport Security and Key Pinning. In *NDSS '15: The 2015 Network and Distributed System Security Symposium*, February 2015

Nicky Robinson and **Joseph Bonneau**. Cognitive Disconnect: Understanding Facebook Connect Login Permissions. In *COSN '14: ACM Conference on Online Social Networks*, October 2014

**Joseph Bonneau** and Stuart Schechter. Towards reliable storage of 56-bit secrets in human memory. In *Proceedings of the 23rd USENIX Security Symposium*, August 2014

Anupam Das, **Joseph Bonneau**, Matthew Caesar, Nikita Borisov, and XiaoFeng Wang. The Tangled Web of Password Reuse. In *NDSS '14: The 2014 Network and Distributed System Security Symposium*, February 2014

**Joseph Bonneau**. The science of guessing: analyzing an anonymized corpus of 70 million passwords. In *2012 IEEE Symposium on Security and Privacy*, May 2012  NSA Award for Best Scientific Cybersecurity Paper of 2012

**Joseph Bonneau**, Cormac Herley, Paul C. van Oorschot, and Frank Stajano. The Quest to Replace Passwords: A Framework for Comparative Evaluation of Web Authentication Schemes. In *2012 IEEE Symposium on Security and Privacy*, May 2012

**Joseph Bonneau** and Ilya Mironov. Cache Collision Timing Attacks Against AES. In *CHES '06: Proceedings of 2006 Workshop on Cryptographic Hardware and Embedded Systems*, October 2006

## OTHER PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

**Joseph Bonneau**. Hostile blockchain takeovers. In *BITCOIN '18: Proceedings of the 5<sup>th</sup> Workshop on Bitcoin and Blockchain Research*, March 2018

Saba Eskandarian, Eran Messeri, **Joseph Bonneau**, and Dan Boneh. Certificate Transparency with Privacy. In *The 17<sup>th</sup> Privacy Enhancing Technologies Symposium*, July 2017

Benedikt Bunz, Steven Goldfeder, and **Joseph Bonneau**. Proofs-of-delay and randomness beacons in Ethereum. In *S&B '17: Proceedings of the 1<sup>st</sup> IEEE Security & Privacy on the Blockchain Workshop*, April 2017

Steven Goldfeder, **Joseph Bonneau**, Rosario Gennaro, and Arvind Narayanan. Escrow protocols for cryptocurrencies: How to buy physical goods using Bitcoin. In *FC '17: Proceedings of the the 21<sup>st</sup> International Conference on Financial Cryptography*, April 2017

**Joseph Bonneau**. Why buy when you can rent? Bribery attacks on Bitcoin consensus. In *BITCOIN '16: Proceedings of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Workshop on Bitcoin and Blockchain Research*, February 2016

**Joseph Bonneau**. EthIKS: Using Ethereum to audit a CONIKS key transparency log. In *BITCOIN '16: Proceedings of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Workshop on Bitcoin and Blockchain Research*, February 2016

Okke Schrijvers, **Joseph Bonneau**, Dan Boneh, and Tim Roughgarden. Incentive Compatibility of Bitcoin Mining Pool Reward Functions. In *FC '16: Proceedings of the the 20<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Financial Cryptography*, February 2016

Marie Vasek, **Joseph Bonneau**, Ryan Castellucci, Cameron Keith, and Tyler Moore. The Bitcoin Brain Drain: Examining the Use and Abuse of Bitcoin Brain Wallets. In *FC '16: Proceedings of the the 20<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Financial Cryptography*, February 2016

**Joseph Bonneau**, Ed Felten, Prateek Mittal, and Arvind Narayanan. Privacy concerns of implicit secondary factors for web authentication. In *WAY 2014: Who are you?! Adventures in Authentication Workshop*, July 2014

Jeremy Clark, **Joseph Bonneau**, Edward W. Felten, Joshua A. Kroll, Andrew Miller, and Arvind Narayanan. On Decentralizing Prediction Markets and Order Books. In *WEIS '14: Proceedings of the 10<sup>th</sup> Workshop on the Economics of Information Security*, June 2014

**Joseph Bonneau** and Andrew Miller. Fawkescoin: A cryptocurrency without public-key cryptography. In *22<sup>nd</sup> International Workshop on Security Protocols*, March 2014

**Joseph Bonneau**, Arvind Narayanan, Andrew Miller, Jeremy Clark, Joshua A. Kroll, and Edward W. Felten. Mixcoin: Anonymity for Bitcoin with accountable mixes. In *FC '14: Proceedings of the the 18<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Financial Cryptography*, March 2014

**Joseph Bonneau**. S-links: Why distributed security policy requires secure introduction. In *Web 2.0 Security & Privacy*, May 2013

**Joseph Bonneau** and Rubin Xu. Of contraseñas, sysmawt, and mímă: Character encoding issues for web passwords. In *Web 2.0 Security & Privacy*, May 2012

**Joseph Bonneau**. Statistical metrics for individual password strength. In *20<sup>th</sup> International Workshop on Security Protocols*, April 2012

**Joseph Bonneau** and Ekaterina Shutova. Linguistic properties of multi-word passphrases. In *USEC '12: Workshop on Usable Security*, March 2012

**Joseph Bonneau**, Sören Preibusch, and Ross Anderson. A birthday present every eleven wallets? The security of customer-chosen banking PINs. In *FC '12: Proceedings of the the 16<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Financial Cryptography*, March 2012

Sören Preibusch and **Joseph Bonneau**. The privacy landscape: product differentiation on data collection. In *WEIS '11: Proceedings of the 10<sup>th</sup> Workshop on the Economics of Information Security*, June 2011

**Joseph Bonneau**. Getting web authentication right: a best-case protocol for the remaining life of passwords. In *19<sup>th</sup> International Workshop on Security Protocols*, March 2011

**Joseph Bonneau** and Rubin Xu. Scrambling for lightweight censorship resistance. In *19<sup>th</sup> International Workshop on Security Protocols*, March 2011

Sören Preibusch and **Joseph Bonneau**. The Password Game: negative externalities from weak password practices. In *GameSec 2010: Conference on Decision and Game Theory for Security*, November 2010

**Joseph Bonneau** and Sören Preibusch. The password thicket: technical and market failures in human authentication on the web. In *WEIS '10: Proceedings of the 9<sup>th</sup> Workshop on the Economics of Information Security*, June 2010

Jonathan Anderson, **Joseph Bonneau**, and Frank Stajano. Inglorious Installers: Security in the Application Marketplace. In *WEIS '10: Proceedings of the 9<sup>th</sup> Workshop on the Economics of Information Security*, June 2010

Christo Wilson, Alessandra Sala, **Joseph Bonneau**, Robert Zablit, and Ben Zhao. Don't Tread on Me: Moderating Access to OSN Data with SpikeStrip . In *WOSN 2010: The 3<sup>rd</sup> Workshop on Online Social Networks*, June 2010

**Joseph Bonneau**. Digital immolation: new directions in online protest. In *18<sup>th</sup> International Workshop on Security Protocols*, March 2010

**Joseph Bonneau**, Mike Just, and Greg Matthews. What's in a Name? Evaluating Statistical Attacks on Personal Knowledge Questions. In *FC '10: Proceedings of the 14<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Financial Cryptography*, January 2010

Hyounghick Kim and **Joseph Bonneau**. Privacy-Enhanced Public View for Social Graphs. In *SWSM '09: The 2<sup>nd</sup> Workshop on Social Web Search and Mining*, November 2009

Jonathan Anderson, Claudia Diaz, **Joseph Bonneau**, and Frank Stajano. Privacy Preserving Social Networking Over Untrusted Networks. In *WOSN 2009: The 2<sup>nd</sup> ACM SIGCOMM Workshop on Online Social Networks*, August 2009

**Joseph Bonneau**, Jonathan Anderson, and George Danezis. Prying Data out of a Social Network. In *ASONAM 09: The 1<sup>st</sup> International Conference on Advances in Social Networks Analysis and Mining*, July 2009

**Joseph Bonneau** and Sören Preibusch. The Privacy Jungle: On the Market for Privacy in Social Networks. In *WEIS '09: Proceedings of the 8<sup>th</sup> Workshop on the Economics of Information Security*, June 2009

**Joseph Bonneau**. Alice and Bob's life stories: Cryptographic communication using shared experiences. In *17<sup>th</sup> International Workshop on Security Protocols*, April 2009

**Joseph Bonneau**, Jonathan Anderson, Frank Stajano, and Ross Anderson. Eight Friends Are Enough: Social Graph Approximation via Public Listings. In *SNS '09: Proceedings of the 2<sup>nd</sup> ACM Workshop on Social Network Systems*, March 2009

OTHER TECHNICAL PUBLICATIONS & POSTERS

**Joseph Bonneau**, Jeremy Clark, and Steven Goldfeder. On Bitcoin as a public randomness source. Technical Report 2015/1015, Cryptology ePrint Archive, October 2015

Ruba Abu-Salma, M. Angela Sasse, and **Joseph Bonneau**. Secure Chat for the Masses? User-centered Security to the Rescue (poster). In *CCS '15: Proceedings of the 22<sup>nd</sup> ACM Conference on Computer and Communications Security*, October 2015

Nicky Robinson and **Joseph Bonneau**. Clarity of Facebook Connect login permissions (poster). In *SOUPS 2009: The 10<sup>th</sup> Symposium On Usable Privacy and Security*, July 2014

Serge Egelman, **Joseph Bonneau**, Sonia Chiasson, David Dittrich, and Stuart Schechter. It's Not Stealing If You Need It: A Panel on The Ethics of Performing Research Using Public Data of Illicit Origin (panel discussion). In *WECSR '12: Workshop on Ethics in Computer Security Research*, March 2012

Luke Church, Jonathan Anderson, **Joseph Bonneau**, and Frank Stajano. Privacy Stories: Confidence in Privacy Behaviors through End User Programming (poster). In *SOUPS 2009: The 5<sup>th</sup> Symposium On Usable Privacy and Security*, July 2009

**Joseph Bonneau**, Jonathan Anderson, and Luke Church. Privacy Suites: Shared Privacy for Social Networks (poster). In *SOUPS 2009: The 5<sup>th</sup> Symposium On Usable Privacy and Security*, July 2009

Jonathan Anderson, **Joseph Bonneau**, and Frank Stajano. Security APIs for Online Applications. In *3<sup>rd</sup> International Workshop on Analysis of Security APIs*, July 2009

**Joseph Bonneau**. Robust Final-Round Cache-Trace Attacks Against AES. Technical Report 2006/374, Cryptology ePrint Archive, October 2006

**Joseph Bonneau** and Andrew Morrison. Finite State Security Analysis of OTR Version 2. 2006