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## Research Interests

My main area of research is Cryptography and Computer Security. In particular, I am interested in post-quantum and lattice-based cryptography with a focus on building secure systems with advanced capabilities. I am also interested in studying the impact of advanced cryptography on influencing public policy and law.

## Current Position

Fall 2022 – **University of Wisconsin-Madison**, Madison, WI, USA  
Present *Assistant Professor, Department of Computer Science*

## Education

2014 – 2019 **Ph.D. in Computer Science**, *University of Texas at Austin*  
Advisor: Brent Waters  
Thesis: Collusion Resistant Traitor Tracing Systems

2010 – 2014 **B.Tech. in Computer Science**, *Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi*  
Advisors: Ragesh Jaiswal and Raghav Bhaskar  
Thesis: Password Authenticated Secret Sharing

## Recent Awards and Distinctions

2020 Simons-Berkeley Research Fellowship  
2020 Bert Kay Dissertation Award for best doctoral thesis in computer science at UT Austin  
2018 IBM Ph.D. Fellowship  
2018 UT Austin Graduate Dean's Prestigious Fellowship Supplement  
2018 STOC 2018 paper invited to the SIAM Journal of Computing (SICOMP) Special Issue

## Professional Experience

Summer 2020 **Massachusetts Institute of Technology**, Cambridge, USA  
– 2022 *Postdoctoral Researcher*  
Built novel paradigms for advanced cryptographic systems.

Spring 2020 **Simons Institute for the Theory of Computing**, Berkeley, USA  
*Apple Research Fellow*  
Part of the Simons program on Lattices: Algorithms, Complexity, and Cryptography.

Summer 2016 **Microsoft Research**, Bangalore, India  
*Research Intern*  
Devised tools to bypass cryptographic impossibilities by leveraging blockchains.

Summer 2013 **Microsoft Research**, Bangalore, India  
*Research Intern*  
Developed faster algorithms for large-scale distributed convex optimizations.

Summer 2012 **Max Planck Institute for Software Systems**, Saarbrücken, Germany  
*Research Intern*  
Studied methods for detecting and preventing privacy leaks in Android.

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## Conference Publications

- [1] Shweta Agrawal, Rishab Goyal, and Junichi Tomida. [Multi-Input Quadratic Functional Encryption: Stronger Security, Broader Functionality](#). In *Theory of Cryptography - TCC 2022 - 20th International Conference*, 2022.
- [2] Lalita Devadas, Rishab Goyal, Yael Kalai, and Vinod Vaikuntanathan. [Rate-1 Non-Interactive Arguments for Batch-NP and Applications](#). In *63rd IEEE Annual Symposium on Foundations of Computer Science, FOCS 2022*, 2022.
- [3] Rishab Goyal and Vinod Vaikuntanathan. [Locally Verifiable Signature and Key Aggregation](#). In *Advances in Cryptology - CRYPTO 2022 - 42nd Annual International Cryptology Conference*, 2022.
- [4] Rachit Garg, Rishab Goyal, George Lu, and Brent Waters. [Dynamic Collusion Bounded Functional Encryption from Identity-Based Encryption](#). In *Advances in Cryptology - EUROCRYPT 2022 - 41st Annual International Conference on the Theory and Applications of Cryptographic Techniques*, 2022.
- [5] Shweta Agrawal, Rishab Goyal, and Junichi Tomida. [Multi-Party Functional Encryption](#). In *Theory of Cryptography - TCC 2021 - 19th International Conference*, 2021.
- [6] Rishab Goyal, Jiahui Liu, and Brent Waters. [Adaptive Security via Deletion in Attribute-Based Encryption: Solutions from Search Assumptions in Bilinear Groups](#). In *Theory and Application of Cryptology and Information Security - ASIACRYPT 2021 - 27th International Conference*, 2021.
- [7] Rishab Goyal, Ridwan Syed, and Brent Waters. [ABE for TMs with bounded collusion](#). In *Theory and Application of Cryptology and Information Security - ASIACRYPT 2021 - 27th International Conference*, 2021.
- [8] Rishab Goyal, Sam Kim, Brent Waters, and David J. Wu. [Beyond Software Watermarking: Traitor-Tracing for Pseudorandom Functions](#). In *Theory and Application of Cryptology and Information Security - ASIACRYPT 2021 - 27th International Conference*, 2021.
- [9] Shweta Agrawal, Rishab Goyal, and Junichi Tomida. [Multi-input quadratic functional encryption from pairings](#). In *Advances in Cryptology - CRYPTO 2021 - 41st Annual International Cryptology Conference*, 2021.
- [10] Rishab Goyal, Venkata Koppula, Satyanarayana Vusirikala, and Brent Waters. [On Perfect Correctness in \(Lockable\) Obfuscation](#). In *Theory of Cryptography - TCC 2020 - 18th International Conference*, 2020.
- [11] Rishab Goyal and Satyanarayana Vusirikala. [Verifiable registration-based encryption](#). In *Advances in Cryptology - CRYPTO 2020 - 40th Annual International Cryptology Conference*, 2020.
- [12] Rishab Goyal, Satyanarayana Vusirikala, and Brent Waters. [New Constructions of Hinting PRGs, OWFs with Encryption, and More](#). In *Advances in Cryptology - CRYPTO 2020 - 40th Annual International Cryptology Conference*, 2020.
- [13] Rishab Goyal, Venkata Koppula, and Brent Waters. [New Approaches to Traitor Tracing with Embedded Identities](#). In *Theory of Cryptography - TCC 2019 - 17th International Conference*, 2019.

- [14] Rishab Goyal, Willy Quach, Brent Waters, and Daniel Wichs. [Broadcast and Trace with  \$N^\epsilon\$  Ciphertext Size from Standard Assumptions](#). In *Advances in Cryptology - CRYPTO 2019 - 39th Annual International Cryptology Conference*, 2019.
- [15] Rishab Goyal, Sam Kim, Nathan Manohar, Brent Waters, and David J. Wu. [Watermarking Public-Key Cryptographic Primitives](#). In *Advances in Cryptology - CRYPTO 2019 - 39th Annual International Cryptology Conference*, 2019.
- [16] Rishab Goyal, Satyanarayana Vusirikala, and Brent Waters. [Collusion Resistant Broadcast and Trace from Positional Witness Encryption](#). In *Public-Key Cryptography - PKC 2019 - 22nd IACR International Conference on Practice and Theory of Public-Key Cryptography*, 2019.
- [17] Rishab Goyal, Venkata Koppula, Andrew Russell, and Brent Waters. [Risky Traitor Tracing and New Differential Privacy Negative Results](#). In *Advances in Cryptology - CRYPTO 2018 - 38th Annual International Cryptology Conference*, 2018.
- [18] Rishab Goyal, Venkata Koppula, and Brent Waters. [Collusion resistant traitor tracing from learning with errors](#). In *Proceedings of the 50th Annual ACM SIGACT Symposium on Theory of Computing, STOC 2018*. ACM, 2018.  
SIAM Journal of Computing (SICOMP) Special Issue for selected papers from STOC 2018.
- [19] Rishab Goyal and Vipul Goyal. [Overcoming Cryptographic Impossibility Results Using Blockchains](#). In *Theory of Cryptography - TCC 2017 - 15th International Conference*, 2017.
- [20] Rishab Goyal, Susan Hohenberger, Venkata Koppula, and Brent Waters. [A Generic Approach to Constructing and Proving Verifiable Random Functions](#). In *Theory of Cryptography - TCC 2017 - 15th International Conference*, 2017.
- [21] Rishab Goyal, Venkata Koppula, and Brent Waters. [Lockable Obfuscation](#). In *58th IEEE Annual Symposium on Foundations of Computer Science, FOCS 2017*, 2017.
- [22] Cody Freitag, Rishab Goyal, Susan Hohenberger, Venkata Koppula, Eysa Lee, Tatsuaki Okamoto, Jordan Tran, and Brent Waters. [Signature Schemes with Randomized Verification](#). In *Applied Cryptography and Network Security - ACNS 2017 - 15th International Conference*, 2017.
- [23] Rishab Goyal, Venkata Koppula, and Brent Waters. [Separating Semantic and Circular Security for Symmetric-Key Bit Encryption from the Learning with Errors Assumption](#). In *Advances in Cryptology - EUROCRYPT 2017 - 36th Annual International Conference on the Theory and Applications of Cryptographic Techniques*, 2017.
- [24] Rishab Goyal, Venkata Koppula, and Brent Waters. [Separating IND-CPA and Circular Security for Unbounded Length Key Cycles](#). In *Public-Key Cryptography - PKC 2017 - 20th IACR International Conference on Practice and Theory in Public-Key Cryptography*, 2017.
- [25] Rishab Goyal, Venkata Koppula, and Brent Waters. [Semi-adaptive Security and Bundling Functionalities Made Generic and Easy](#). In *Theory of Cryptography - TCC 2016-B - 14th International Conference*, 2016.

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## Journal Publications

- [26] Rishab Goyal, Venkata Koppula, and Brent Waters. Collusion resistant traitor tracing from learning with errors. *SIAM Journal on Computing*, 49(5):STOC18–94, 2019.

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## Manuscripts and Preprints

- [27] Rishab Goyal. Locally verifiable and privacy preserving batch arguments, 2023. Under submission.

- [28] Rishab Goyal and Venkata Koppula. Quantum watermarking and software leasing, 2023. In preparation.
- [29] Rachit Garg, Rishab Goyal, and George Lu. A simple and generic approach to dynamic collusion model, 2022. Under submission.
- [30] Rishab Goyal and Venkata Koppula. Multi-party lockable obfuscation: Applications to patchability, anonymity, and more, 2023. In preparation.
- [31] Rishab Goyal. Quantum multi-key homomorphic encryption for polynomial-sized circuits. Cryptology ePrint Archive, Report 2018/443, 2018. <https://eprint.iacr.org/2018/443>.

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## Service

**Program Committees:** EUROCRYPT 2020, TCC 2021, PKC 2022, TCC 2022, EUROCRYPT 2023, FOCS 2023

**Conference/Journal Refereeing:** External reviewer for Journal of Cryptology, STOC, FOCS, CRYPTO, EUROCRYPT, TCC, ASIACRYPT, PKC, CANS.

**Graduate Admissions Committee:** UT Austin, UW-Madison

**2022 ACM India Doctoral Dissertation Award Committee**

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## Invited talks

- Jan 2023 Crypto seminar, IISc and Microsoft Research India
- Jan 2023 CS Colloquium, IIT Delhi
- Jul 2021 Charles River Crypto Day, Northeastern University
- Apr 2021 CS Colloquium, New York University
- Mar 2020 Lattices: New Cryptographic Capabilities Workshop, Simons Institute
- Nov 2019 Cryptography and Information Security (CIS) seminar, MIT
- Nov 2019 Crypto seminar, UC Berkeley
- Nov 2019 Crypto seminar, Stanford University
- Mar 2019 Tokyo Crypto Day, NTT Research
- Jan 2019 Crypto seminar, IIT Delhi
- May 2018 Workshop on Lattice Crypto and Algorithms, Bertinoro
- May 2018 Crypto seminar, ENS
- Jan 2017 Center for Encrypted Functionalities (CEF) seminar, UCLA
- Jun 2016 Crypto seminar, Microsoft Research India

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## Teaching

- Spring 2023 **Instructor**, CS435 - *Cryptography*, UW-Madison.
- Fall 2022 **Instructor**, CS880 - *Topics in Theoretical Computer Science: Cryptography and Foundations of Post-Quantum Security (Graduate)*, UW-Madison.
- Spring 2021 **Guest Lecturer**, CS598DK - *Special Topics in Cryptography (Graduate)*, UIUC.
- Spring 2017 **Teaching Assistant**, CS388H - *Cryptography (Graduate)*, UT Austin.
- Fall 2016 **Teaching Assistant**, CS346 - *Cryptography (Undergraduate)*, UT Austin.
- Spring 2015 **Teaching Assistant**, CS346 - *Cryptography (Undergraduate)*, UT Austin.
- Fall 2014 **Teaching Assistant**, CS331 - *Algorithms and Complexity (Undergraduate)*, UT Austin.
- Summer 2011 **Teacher**, *High School Math - Limits and Differential Calculus*, Vidyamandir Classes.

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## Mentorship

Advised multiple undergraduate, masters, and younger graduate students while at UT Austin.  
Student advisees listed below:

- 2021 – Now Rachit Garg, Ph.D. student Computer Science, UT Austin.
- 2021 – Now George Lu, Ph.D. student Computer Science, UT Austin.
- 2017 – 2021 Satyanarayana Vusirikala, Ph.D. Computer Science, UT Austin.
- 2018 – 2019 Jiahui Liu, Ph.D. student Computer Science, UT Austin.
- 2018 – 2019 Ridwan Syed, M.S. Computer Science, UT Austin.
- 2017 – 2018 Andrew Russell, M.S. Computer Science, UT Austin.
- 2015 – 2016 Cody Freitag, B.S. Computer Science, UT Austin. Now a Ph.D. student at Cornell University.
- 2015 – 2016 Eysa Lee, B.S. Computer Science, UT Austin. Now a Ph.D. student at Northeastern University.
- 2015 – 2016 Jordan Tran, B.S. Computer Science, UT Austin.