# CYPHER Cyber-Physical Intelligence and Security

## NEWSLETTER

#### · DECEMBER 2020 ·



# **INSIDE THIS ISSUE**

- Our Mission  $\bullet$
- Meet Our Faculty Members
- A Look Into Faculty Members' Research Areas •
- Recent News  $\bullet$



# THE CYPHER CENTER WOULD LIKE TO WISH YOU A



THE UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING



CYPHIER ( Cyber-Physical Intelligence and Security

# OUR MISSION

The Center is committed to advance fundamental research, technology advancement and transfer, as well as workforce and education development in broad domains of cyber-physical security and trustworthy artificial intelligence (AI).

The Center develops partnership among academic, industry, and government on innovations of cyberphysical systems and artificial intelligence, address the workforce gap and foster technology transfer with lasting impact

# TAKE A LOOK AT OUR STATE OF THE ART LABS



Smart Grid Security Lab

Smart Networking and Computing (SNeC) Lab

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

THE FASCITELLI CENTER FOR ADVANCED ENGINEERING



CYPHER (B Cyber-Physical Intelligence and Security

# MEET OUR FACULTY AND THEIR RESEARCH AREAS



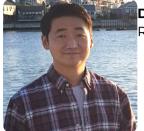
Dr. Yu Bi Research Areas • Hardware

Security Integrated Circuits



Dr. Haibo He Research Areas: Computational

- Intelligence
- Smart Grid



#### Dr. Yeonho Jeong

- Research Areas: • Power Electronics
  - Hybrid Power Systems



Dr. Bin Li **Research Areas:** • Networking for Virtual/Aug-

mented Reality Mobile Edge Computing



Dr. Hui Lin Research Areas:

- Power Grid Security
- CPS Security



#### Dr. Resit Sendag

- Research Areas: • High
  - performance Computing



Dr. Manbir Sodhi Research Areas:

 Optimization Industrial Automation



പ്രാണ് Dr. Paolo Stegagno **Research Areas:** 

Intelligence Robotics Multi-agent Systems



- Dr. Yan Sun Research Areas:
- Power Grid Security
- - Trust Modeling



Dr. Tao Wei Research Areas: Sensing

Technologies Hardware Security



Dr. Qing Yang Research Areas:

- Computer Architecture
- Softwarehardware Codesign



#### Dr.Chengzhi Yuan Research Areas:

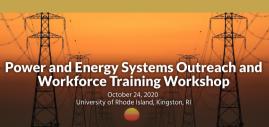
- Multi-robot Systems and
- **Mobile Robotics** • Dynamic Systems and **Control Theory**

CYPHER Cyber-Physical Intelligence and Security

# **RECENT NEWS**

## POWER AND ENERGY SYSTEMS OUTREACH AND WORKFORCE TRAINING WORKSHOP

URI hosted the one-day Power and Energy Systems Outreach and Workforce Training Workshop on Oct 24, 2020. This workshop focuses on outreach and knowledge development to meet the critical needs of the future workforce in the US power industry.



With over 180 registrations, this workshop features exciting presentations from experts in the field, information about the pathway to graduate school, professional engineering exam, career and co-op opportunities in the energy sector, job-hunting/interview skills under the COVID era, and many more.

# CONGRATULATIONS TO DR. TAO WEI AND DR. QING YANG FOR WINNING AN NSF SECURE AND TRUSTWORTHY CYBERSPACE

AWARD



URI is awarded \$600,000 to research a new security technology that protects data confidentiality, data integrity, and correctness in computer systems. Specifically, the new technology is able to instantly detect malicious hardware attacks so that appropriate actions can be taken to prevent information from stolen and alteration when information is transmitted between components inside a computer system.

The new technology can be realized using a simple digital hardware as part of a computer system. One of the objectives of this project is to design, develop, and implement the new hardware structure to be incorporated in future secure computers. The PIs of this project are Dr. Tao Wei and Dr. Qing Yang. Congratulations!

#### CYPHER CENTER SPONSORED URI SECOND IMMERSE-A-THON EVENT FOR EXPLORING VIRTUAL/AUGMENTED APPLICATIONS **BEYOND GAMING.** THE

The Immerse-a-thon is a weekend design and maker-fest event for college students where they apply human-centered design to find solutions to real-world problems. The event supplies mentors, coaches, subject matter experts, team members,



#### Immerse-a-thon

September 26-27, 2020 3 tracks: Manufacturing, Education, Healthcare All College Students and Majors **TOP TEAM AWARDED \$1,000** 

Register now at uri.edu/hackathon For VR / AR Design 2020

and plenty of food to support the student's work. At the end of the event, students get to pitch their solutions to try and win cash prizes to take their ideas to the next stage. Previous Hackathons have focused on Aging, IoT, Health, Virtual Reality, Mobility, and Clean Water.

# Please visit <a href="https://web.uri.edu/cypher/">https://web.uri.edu/cypher/</a> for the latest information