



# Karel Kubíček

## Curriculum Vitae

### Education

- 2018–Present **Doctoral student**, *Department of Computer Science, ETH Zurich, Zurich, CH*  
Information Security Group.
- 2015–2017 **Master's Studies**, *Faculty of Informatics, Masaryk University (FI MU), Brno, CZ*  
Information Technology Security. Exchange semester at NTNU, Trondheim, NO.
- 2012–2015 **Bachelor's Studies**, *Faculty of Informatics, Masaryk University (FI MU), Brno, CZ*  
Computer Systems and Data Processing.

### Publications

- 2024 *Automated, Large-Scale Analysis of Cookie Notice Compliance*, USENIX Security
- 2024 *Block Cookies, Not Websites: Analysing Mental Models and Usability of the Privacy-Preserving Browser Extension CookieBlock*, Proc. on Privacy Enhancing Technologies
- 2023 *Locality-Sensitive Hashing Does Not Guarantee Privacy! Attacks on Google's FLoC and the MinHash Hierarchy System*, Proceedings on Privacy Enhancing Technologies
- 2022 *Checking Websites' GDPR Consent Compliance for Marketing Emails*, Proceedings on Privacy Enhancing Technologies
- 2022 *Automating Cookie Consent and GDPR Violation Detection*, USENIX Security, **best artifact award**
- 2022 *Large-scale Randomness Study of Security Margins for 100+ Cryptographic Functions*, SECURE
- 2019 *BoolTest: The Fast Randomness Testing Strategy Based on Boolean Functions with Application to DES, 3-DES, MD5, MD6 and SHA-256*, E-Business and Telecommunications, Springer International Publishing
- 2017 *New results on reduced-round Tiny Encryption Algorithm using genetic programming*, Infocommunications journal

### Awards

- 2022 1st place in CSAW'22 Europe Applied Research Competition for our USENIX paper *Automating Cookie Consent and GDPR Violation Detection*.
- 2017 Awarded the second place in the contest for the best thesis in the field of IT Security.
- 2013–2017 Various scholarships for contribution in student projects (Czech Science Foundation, university foundation), merit scholarships.

## Experience

- 2018–Present **Doctoral student at ETH Zurich**, INFORMATION SECURITY GROUP, Zurich
- Automated studies of websites' compliance with the EU privacy laws (GDPR, ePD).
  - Teaching Information security, Algorithms; supervision of 11 MSc and BSc student theses.
  - Board member of Academic staff organisation VMI.
- 2014–2018 **Development of randomness testing framework EACirc for analysis of cryptographic primitives**, CENTRE FOR RESEARCH ON CRYPTOGRAPHY AND SECURITY, FI MU, Brno
- Implementation and comparison of metaheuristics in EACirc (randomness testing framework).
  - Analysis of Tiny Encryption Algorithm (TEA) using EACirc framework.
- 2017 Jan–Sep **Network security researcher**, NEXA TECHNOLOGIES CZ, Brno
- Working on R&D project in the area of cryptography, privacy, and machine learning.
  - References: Jaroslav Šeděnka ✉, Martin Stehlík ✉
- 2013–2017 **Seminar tutor of Algorithms and Automata's theory courses**, FI MU, Brno
- 2013–2017 Algorithms and data structures (I and II) course (BSc and MSc levels).
  - 2015–2016 Automata, grammars, and complexity course.
  - Composing an exercise book: 160 pages book with exercises and their solutions.
  - Preparing and correcting assignments and final programming tasks.
- 2013–2017 **Contribution on organizing informatics seminar, competitions and puzzle hunts for both secondary-school and university students**, FI MU, Brno
- 2015 – Leading the organization of competition InterSob (30 team members, four months).

## Featured Skills

Advanced PYTHON, privacy regulations, ML and data science, cryptography  
Intermediate L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, C, C++, algorithm design, optimisation methods, DevOps  
Basic HASKELL, JAVA, R, automata's theory, secure coding

## Languages

Czech	Mother tongue	
English	Full professional proficiency	C1
German	Limited working proficiency	B1
Norwegian	Basic words and phrases only	A1

## Interests

- Paragliding, mountaineering
- Outdoor sports
- Work in education system
- Puzzlehunting