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# COMPUTER SCIENCE AND COMMUNICATION RESEARCH UNIT (CSC)



Our primary mission is to conduct fundamental and applied research in the area of computer, communication and information sciences. Our goal is to push forward the scientific frontiers of these fields. Additionally, we provide support for the educational tasks at the academic and professional Bachelor and Master levels as well as for the PhD program.

CSC addresses different research priorities (Advanced Software Systems, Communicative Systems, Intelligent and Adaptive Systems, Information Security) and is in charge of developing P1 - the strategic priority on security and reliability of the University of Luxembourg.

Currently, the CSC includes 20 professors, 10 post-docs, more than 50 PhD candidates, and a number of research collaborators. Their research fields range from the investigation of the theoretical

The CSC Research Unit is divided into four laboratories:

ComSys focuses on integrated research in the areas of Information Transfer and Communicating Systems. Information Transfer is concerned with information transmission over potentially complex channels and networks. Communicating Systems in turn are the composition of multiple distributed entities employing communication networks to collaboratively achieve a common goal.

ILIAS main goal is to realize and develop research and teaching in the area of intelligent and adaptive systems. We investigate the theoretical foundations and the algorithmic realizations of systems, i.e. performing complex problem solving with a high degree of autonomy, i.e. intelligent, exploiting learning to deal with opaque and dynamic contexts, i.e. adaptive.

The LACS main focus is Cryptography which is the science of protecting secrets. Cryptographic protocols provide secure encryption, digital signatures, and authentication between entities. Building a secure cryptographic protocol first requires clearly specifying the security notions that must be achieved, and then building a protocol that provably achieves these notions.

LASSY is conducting research on methods and tools for mastering the development of complex software systems. The LASSY has the following objectives: to develop new engineering processes ; to investigate modelling languages ; to perform research on the foundations of software engineering ; to assist in the development and in the use of e-learning tools ; to study verification and validation techniques.

# CURRICULUM VITAE

## Jean-Claude Asselborn



### Title

Professor - *Computer Science*

### Curriculum Vitae

- professor at the Faculty of Sciences, Technology and Communication of UL
- since 1981, professor at Centre Universitaire de Luxembourg
- 1987 – 2006: research activities at Gabriel Lippmann Public Research Center
- project leader of the National Research Foundation (FNR) project "Cryptology and Security Initiative"
- member of the Laboratory of Algorithmics, Cryptology and Security

### Keywords of the research and teaching interests

Teaching interests:

- analysis and design of information systems
- enterprise oriented computer science

Research interests:

- cryptology and information security applications
- management of information systems security

### Teaching:

- Application of Trust Systems (MICS)
- Computer Science for Economists (FDEF)
- Object Oriented Analysis and Design (FDEF)
- director of studies of the bachelor of engineering in Business Computing (FDEF)
- director of studies of the master of engineering in Management of Information systems Security (FDEF + CRP HT)

# Alex Biryukov



## Title

Assistant-Professor - Computer Science and Cryptography.

## Curriculum Vitae

- Assistant-professor at UL since December 2005. Head of the Laboratory of Algorithmics, Cryptology and Security
- Guest professor (gastdocent) at K.U.Leuven, FWO fellow 2001 -- 2005
- Post-doc at the Weizmann Institute of Science with Prof. Adi Shamir, 2000-2001.
- Ph.D. in Applied Mathematics and Computer Science, Technion – IIT, 1999. Thesis on "Methods of Cryptanalysis".

## Keywords of the research and teaching interests

Research interests:

- analysis and design of secure cryptographic primitives and protocols;
- security of software and hardware implementations;
- all aspects of information security, knowledge management, data-mining, computer-intelligence and algorithms in general.

Teaching interests:

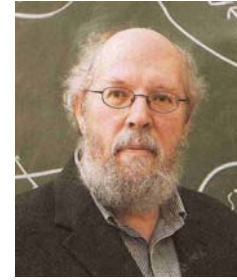
- Cryptology and information security
- Algorithms, computer networks

## Teaching

- **Cryptography in the Real World (MICS)**
- **Introduction to Cryptography (MSSI)**
- **Mathematics and Cryptography (BECS)**
- **Advanced Cryptography (MICS)**
- **Computer Networks (FDEF)**
- **Advanced Computer Networks (FDEF)**
- **4 Ph.D. students**

Alex has authored and co-authored more than 40 papers in international journals and conferences and was invited to contribute 30 articles for the Encyclopedia of Cryptography and Security (Springer). He has served on program committees of more than 27 international conferences and workshops, including the top conferences in the field of cryptography such as EUROCRYPT, CRYPTO, ASIACRYPT (with acceptance rates below 1/5). Alex has been a Program Chair of the international FSE'2007 conference which took place in Luxembourg (March 2007) and attracted more than 160 participants. He is a member of the International Association for Cryptologic Research (IACR) since 1994.

# Raymond Bisdorff



## **Title**

Professor – Decision Systems

## **Curriculum Vitae**

### **Functions (present and past)**

Full Professor at the University of Luxembourg (2003 - )

Vice-President of the Scientific Consulting Commission of the University of Luxembourg (2005 - )

Head of the Applied Mathematics Research Unit (2005 - 2007)

Dean of the Faculty of Law, Economics and Finance (2003-2004)

### **Honors and Awards**

Honor diploma (2005) from HELORS, the Hellenic Operational Reserach Society, for chairing the international Programme Committee of the XXth EURO'2004 Conference, Island of Rhodes, July 4-7, 2004.

Honorable collaborator (1996 - 2005) of the University of Liège (Belgium) on behalf of the Institute of Mathematics of the Faculty of Sciences.

### **International functions (present and past)**

Vice-president of the International Federation of Operational Research Societies (IFORS) representing EURO, the Association of European Operational Research Societies (2005 - 2007 )

Vice-president of the Association of European Operational Research Societies EURO (1997-2000)

### **Education**

Business Administration (LBA), Université de Liège 1975

Methods and Models of Scientific Management (D.E.A./MScBA), Université Paris-Dauphine 1976

Operations Research (Ph.D. 3rd c.), Université Paris-Dauphine 1981

Management Sciences (Ph.D.), Université de Liège 2001

### **Teaching**

Mathematics for Computer Scientists

Operational Research and Decision Aid

Statistics and Probability

### **Research interests**

Multiple criteria decision aid methodology and tools

Web services for distributed decision aid systems

Bipolar valued outranking digraphs Qualified choices and kernels in digraphs

# Pascal Bouvry



## Title

Professor - Evolutionary & Parallel Computing

## Curriculum Vitae

Pascal Bouvry earned his undergraduate degree in Economical & Social Sciences and his Master degree in Computer Science with distinction ('91) from the University of Namur, Belgium. He went on to obtain his Ph.D. degree ('94) in Computer Science with great distinction at the University of Grenoble (INPG), France. His research at the IMAG laboratory focussed on mapping and scheduling task graphs onto Distributed Memory Parallel Computers. Next, he performed post-doctoral research on coordination languages and multi-agent evolutionary computing at CWI in Amsterdam, the Netherlands.

Dr Bouvry gained industrial experience as manager of the technology consultant team for FICS (NASDAQ: SONE) a world leader in electronic financial services. Next, he worked as CEO and CTO of SDC, a Saigon-based joint venture between SPT (a major telecom operator in Vietnam), Spacebel SA (a Belgian leader in Space, GIS and Healthcare), and IOIT, a public research and training center. After that, Dr Bouvry moved to Montreal as VP Production of Lat45 and Development Director for MetaSolv Software (NASDAQ: ORCL), a world-leader in Operation Support Systems for the telecom industry (e.g. AT&T, Worldcom, Bell Canada, etc).

Dr. Bouvry is currently heading the Computer Science and Communications (CSC) research unit of the Faculty of Sciences, Technology and Communications of Luxembourg University, and serving as Professor. Pascal Bouvry is also member of the administration board of CRP-Tudor and member of various scientific committees and technical workgroups (ERCIM WG, COST TIST, LIASIT, etc.)

Current research interests:

The team of Pascal Bouvry is conducting research on parallel and evolutionary computing, in particular how different species may co-evolve featuring different individuals taking local decisions while ensuring global objectives (e.g. search and optimization). This target is approached through various facets like loosely coupled genetic algorithms, distributed immune systems, and iterated multi-player prisoner dilemma. The main application domains of this team are security, trust and reliability, for example, cryptology, intrusion detection, and reliable scheduling and routing on new generations of networks such as p2p, ad-hoc, and hybrids.

## Teaching

- **Intelligent Systems**
- **Evolutionary Computing**
- **Selected topics in Artificial Intelligence**
- **Evolutionary and Combinatorial Optimization**
- **Parallel and Grid Computing**
- **Evolutionary Computing in Security**

# Jean-Sébastien Coron

## Title

Assistant-Professor - Computer Science and Cryptography



## Curriculum Vitae

- Assistant-professor at UL since 2004.
- PhD of computer science from Ecole Polytechnique in 2001
- Former student of the Ecole Normale Supérieure of Paris.

For more information see [here](#)

## Keywords of the research and teaching interests

Research: Cryptography, cryptanalysis, security proofs, RSA cryptosystem.

Teaching: Cryptography, operating systems, programming languages.

## Teaching

- **Theoretical Foundations**
- **Cryptography**
- **Advanced Cryptography**
- **Introduction to computational number theory**

Prestigious cryptography conferences (Crypto and Eurocrypt). He has served numerous times in the program committees of prestigious conferences in cryptography (Crypto 2003, Eurocrypt 2004, Crypto 2005). He is the author and co-author of 16 patents. His personal homepage is at <http://www.eleves.ens.fr/home/coron/>

# Théo Duhautpas



## Title

Professeur-ingénieur - Computer Networks and Telecommunications

## Curriculum Vitae

Co-director of [RESTENA Foundation](#) since 2000

- Luxembourg representative in [DANTE](#)
- Member of the [GEANT2](#) project
- Implementation of the [LIX](#) in 1998
- Implementation of the Luxembourg connection to the Internet in 1992• Joint founder of the RESTENA network in 1989
- Setup of the IST telecommunication and networking lab in 1985• Professor at the Institut Supérieur de Technologie, now UL, since 1975• Research assistant at the Institute for Automatic Control (ETHZ) in 1974• Diploma in Electrical Engineering from the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology, Zurich, 1973

## Current Research Interests

- Ubiquitous networks, network management

## Teaching

- Telecommunication and Networks• TCP/IP Networks



# Thomas Engel



## Title

Professor - Computer Networks and Telecommunications

## Curriculum Vitae

From 1987 to 1995 Thomas Engel studied Physics and Computer Science at the University of Saarbruecken, Germany, where he graduated in 1992 and received the title Dr. rer. nat. in 1996. 1996 – 2003 as joint founder he was member of the board of directors and vice director of the Fraunhofer-guided Institute for Telematics e.V. in Trier, Germany, co responsible for the scientific orientation and development of the institute, definition, acquisition and realization of all research projects, 70% financed by industry. Since 2002 he teaches and researches as a professor at the University of Luxembourg.

Prof. Dr. Engel is member of the European Security Research Advisory Board (ESRAB) of the European Commission in Brussels advising the Commission on the structure, content and implementation of the future Security Research Programme and also member of the Security Taskforce of the European Commission in Brussels. He is the coordinator of the European Integrated Project u-2010 with 16 partners on the subject of Next Generation Networks. Prof. Dr. Engel is speaker of the regional group Trier/Luxembourg of the German Society for Computer Science (GI).

## Research Projects (selection):

- [SECAN-Lab: Interoperability Laboratory for Security in Adhoc Networks](http://wiki.uni.lu/secan-lab) (funded by the University of Luxembourg), <http://wiki.uni.lu/secan-lab>
- [Mesh-Sequencer: Service Quality Enhancement and Cooperatively Enforced Reliability in Mesh Networks](#) (funded by the University of Luxembourg)
- **u-2010**: Ubiquitous IP-centric Government & Enterprise NGN Vision 2010 (funded by the European Commission), <http://www.u-2010.eu/>
- Public Safety Communication Forum Europe (funded by the European Commission), <http://www.psc-europe.eu/>, <http://www.nartus.org/>
- Component Oriented Security Systems Modeling (funded by Credit Suisse Luxembourg)
- Security Solutions for the ESA Ground Segment (funded by the European Space Agency ESA)
- Secure Usage and Trust of Mobile Devices in Networks for international **Banking** Environments (funded by Dresdner Bank Luxembourg S.A.)
- ZipMode, funded by SES ASTRA, Luxembourg
- Telecommunications Laboratory (funded by Siemens Luxembourg S.A., P&T Luxembourg and the University of Luxembourg)

## Teaching

Communication and Networking, Security in Static and Dynamic Network Layers, Advanced Peer-to-Peer, Non-/Cooperative Information Routing, Advanced Open Network Security

# Nicolas Guelfi



## Title

Professor - Software Engineering for Secure and Reliable Systems

## Curriculum Vitae

**Nicolas Guelfi** is professor at the Faculty of Sciences, Technologies and Communications of the University of Luxembourg since March 1999, where he teaches, directs PhD students and makes research in collaboration with national and international partners. Currently, he is a leading member of Laboratory for Advanced Software Systems that includes about 25 staff, working on 12 national and international research projects. He is the Luxembourgian ERCIM representative at the executive committee of the **ERCIM consortium**. He is chairman of the ERCIM working groups on rapid integration of software engineering techniques (**RISE**). His main research and development activities concern the engineering and the evolution of reliable and secure distributed and mobile systems based on semi-formal methods and transformations. He is the author of around 40 publications in books, journals, conferences and workshops.

Before joining the University of Luxembourg, he did his PhD thesis at the University of Paris XI-Orsay in France, in 1994, in the field of formal specification of concurrent systems. In 1994 and 1995, he worked as a research and teaching assistant at University of Paris XII-Creteil. He then joined the Software Engineering Laboratory at the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology in Lausanne for 4 years, where he taught, participated in research projects and supervised PhD thesis. He has mainly worked on software engineering methods and tools for distributed systems, in collaboration with Dr. D. Buchs, and has introduced the specification formalism CO-OPN, which is currently one of the main approaches in the field of Petri nets and object orientation. He also worked on informal and semi-formal methodologies applied to the engineering of distributed systems and data bases. He has been involved in three European ESPRIT BRA projects (DEMON, CALIBAN, DEVA). Two national research projects and one technology transfer project in Switzerland.

## Keywords of the research and teaching interests

Research: Software Engineering, Embedded Systems, Formal methods, Software/Systems Architectures, MDE/MDA, Software Evolution Teaching: Software Engineering, Embedded Systems, Formal methods, Software/Systems Architectures, MDE/MDA, Software Evolution

## Teaching

- **Software Engineering and Development**
- **Model-Driven Engineering**
- **Advanced Software Architecture**
- **Model Transformation Languages**
- **Ambient Systems Development**
- **Embedded Systems**

# Pierre Kelsen

## Title

Professor



## Curriculum Vitae

- Professor at UL since 2000, **Computer Science and Communication Group**
- Post-Doctoral Fellow, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada and Max-Planck-Institut für Informatik, Saarbrücken, Germany.
- Ph.D. in Computer Science from University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign in 1993 (advisor: Prof. Vijaya Ramachandran)
- M.Sc. in Computer Science from University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign in 1989
- Diploma in Computer Science from University of Karlsruhe in 1986

## Research

- Theoretical foundations of Software Engineering, especially Software Complexity, Declarative Executable Models; Algorithms and Complexity; Combinatorial Methods

## Research Projects

- FACTORS: Fundamental Approaches to the Complexity of Object-Oriented Software
- DASCOS: Declarative Approaches to Software Complexity

## Teaching

- Object-Oriented Programming in Java, Algorithms and Datastructures, Software Engineering Project, **Theoretical Foundations, Formal Methods**

## Representative Publications

- Pierre Kelsen: A Simple Static Model for Understanding the Dynamic Behavior of Programs. IWPC 2004: 46-51
- Pierre Kelsen: An Information-Based View of Representational Coupling in Object-Oriented Systems. FASE 2003: 216-230
- Noga Alon, Pierre Kelsen, Sanjeev Mahajan, Hariharan Ramesh, Coloring 2-colorable hypergraphs with a sublinear number of colors, Nordic Journal of Computing, Volume 3, Issue 4, 1996, Pages: 425 - 439.
- Xiaofeng Han, Pierre Kelsen, Vijaya Ramachandran, Robert Endre Tarjan: Computing Minimal Spanning Subgraphs in Linear Time. SIAM J. Comput. 24(6): 1332-1358 (1995)
- Pierre Kelsen, Vijaya Ramachandran: On Finding Minimal Two-Connected Subgraphs. J. Algorithms 18(1): 1-49 (1995)
- Pierre Kelsen: On the Parallel Complexity of Computing a Maximal Independent Set in a Hypergraph. STOC 1992: 339-350

## Links

**DEMOS tool:** Eclipse plugin for declarative executable modeling, produced by the DASCOS and FACTORS research projects. See also the **technical report** describing the underlying declarative executable models.

## Franck Leprévost



Franck Leprévost is professor at the University of Luxembourg. He was before Professor at the University of Grenoble (France 2000-2003) and researcher at the CNRS Paris (1993-2000). He received his PhD and Habilitation in Mathematics in Paris in 1992 and 1997. He was guest at the Max-Planck-Institut für Mathematik (Bonn) and at the Technische Universität Berlin, and a research fellow of the Alexander von Humboldt foundation. He is the author of over 50 papers, co-editor of 2 books, co-author of chapters of 3 books, and gives in average 8 international talks per year since 1992. He has been involved in international IEEE standardization activities (like the IEEE-P1363 worldwide standard on Public-Key Cryptography) as well as in many international research activities for a number of years. He served as an expert for the European Parliament, in particular for the report: "Encryption and cryptosystems in electronic surveillance: A survey of the technology assessment issues" (Global project No: EP/IV/B/STOA/98/1401/01: Development of surveillance technology and risk of abuse of economic information), which become famous as part of the so-called ECHELON report for the European Parliament. He is also the author for the European Parliament of the reports "Security techniques for digital media", and "Protection and implementation of intellectual property rights in security technologies for digital media" (both with B. Warusfel). He was scientific advisor of some European venture capitalists. He was 2003 guest scientist interviewed by the French "Office Parlementaire d'Evaluation des Choix Scientifiques et Technologique" of the Assemblée Nationale and of the Sénat, for the parliamentary study on biometrics. Since 2003, he is member of the working group on research in Europe of the French "think-tank" Institut Montaigne (founder: Claude Bébéar), and since 2005, he is member of the administration board of LuxTrust S.A.

# Sjouke Mauw



## Title

Professor in Security and Trust of Software Systems

## Curriculum Vitae

Sjouke Mauw (1961) is full professor in "Security and Trust of Software Systems" at the University of Luxembourg in the Computer Science and Communications Research Unit. Until 2007 he was associate professor in Computer Science at the Eindhoven University of Technology, with a part time secondment as senior researcher at CWI (Center of Mathematics and Computer science) in Amsterdam. He received his Master's degree in Mathematics (1985) and his PhD degree in Computer Science (1991) from the University of Amsterdam.

## Research

- Security protocols
- Attack trees
- Digital rights management (DRM)
- Radio Frequency Identification (RFID)
- Mobile ad-hoc networks
- Privacy

## Teaching

- Introduction to Security
- Verification of Security Protocols
- Formal Methods
- Formal Languages

# Volker Müller



## Title

Assistant-professor in Computer Science

## Curriculum Vitae

- Since September 2005: Assistant-professor in the Faculty of Science, Technology and Communication, University of Luxembourg; additionally responsible manager of the university IT service unit (SIU)
- From 1998 – 2005: Consultant for academic development and Lecturer in the Bachelor Program in Computer Science Department at Duta Wacana Christian University and in the Master / Doctoral Program of the Department of Electrical Engineering, Gadjah Mada State University, Yogyakarta, Indonesia
- 1996 – 1998: Postdoctoral Lecturer in the Computer Science Department at the University of Technology, Darmstadt, Germany
- 1995 – 1996: Postdoctoral Research Fellow for Computational Number Theory and Cryptography at the Department of Combinatorics & Optimization, University of Waterloo, Canada
- 1987 – 1995: Study of Mathematics and Computer Science at the University of Saarland, Saarbrücken, Germany, graduated with a Doctorate in Computer Science

## Main research interests

- computational number theoretic problems, especially discrete logarithms and elliptic curves
- efficiency and security analysis of public key cryptosystems
- practical network security (mainly linked to the work in the IT service unit of UL)

## Teaching

- Methodology of programming – C and Java programming language
- Data Modeling with UML

# Simin Nadjm-Tehrani



## Title

Full Professor - *Dependable Real-time Systems*

## Curriculum Vitae

Chair at University of Luxembourg since September 2006

Leader of [Real-Time Systems Laboratory](#) at Dept. of Computer & Information Science, Linköping University, Sweden since 2000

PhD from Linköping University 1994

BSc from Manchester University (a long time ago ...)

## Current research interests

Dependability in resource-constrained systems, with recent work in the following areas:

Analysis of safety and fault tolerance

Distributed and component-based systems

Highly available services in networked applications

Support for crash and partition tolerance in middleware

Overload management in wireless ad-hoc networks

Adaptive anomaly detection in critical infrastructures

## PhD students

In Luxembourg, I advise two PhD students:

Gabriel Sandulescu: Resource Allocation in Delay-Tolerant Networks

Zhang Yan: Anomaly Detection in Mobile Ad hoc Networks

## Teaching

Formal Verification of Computer Systems: Second year, BECS program (Summer 07, Summer 2008)

Distributed Systems: First year, MICS program (Winter 2007)

Dependable Real-time Systems, First year, MICS program (Summer 2008)

Selected lectures in Dependable Software course in the MSSSI program (Summer 2008)

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# Steffen Rothkugel



## Title

Assistant Professor - *System Software and Distributed Systems*

## Curriculum Vitae

- Assistant Professor at UL since 2002
- Joint Founder of the **Telecommunication Competence Centre**
- Ph.D. in Computer Science from University of Trier in 2001
- Diploma in Computer Science from University of Kaiserslautern in 1996

## Current research interests

- Mobile and Ubiquitous Computing
- Ad-hoc Networks
- Hybrid Wireless Environments
- Self-Organization
- Context Awareness

## Teaching

- Software Engineering and Development
- Mobile Computing
- Ubiquitous Computing



# Jürgen Sachau



## Title

Professor Dr.-Ing. - Power Systems and Control Engineering

## Curriculum Vitae

Following his studies in Electrical Engineering - data and control systems - at TU Braunschweig with Prof. Werner Leonhard, J. Sachau received his PhD on control of independent power grids. From 1984-1989 he was project leader for decentral energy systems at the University of Kassel and from 1989-1995 he joined the German energy research institute ISET as founder and head of the systems engineering department he founded ISET program preparation and is a cofounder of the **EUREC-Agency** of sustainable energy research institutes and companies, establishing the modular systems technology. At **DG Research** in Brussels, he was appointed sector leader, from 1995-1997 leading three clusters of non-nuclear energy projects in four EC-programs and finally became responsible for supply quality monitoring and information technology of EU-funded sustainable power systems at the EU's joint research centre **JRC, Ispra**, initiating the Advanced Electricity Storage program. Lecturing since 1992, he became professor at the Energy Institute of the University of Kassel in 2000 and in 2003 was appointed professor for Power Systems and Control Engineering by the University of Luxemburg where he is a co-initiator of the Distributed Energy Systems Demonstration Area **DESDemonA** He publishes the **International Journal of Sustainable Energy** and is an editor of the **European Transactions on Electrical Power**.

## Keywords of the research and teaching interests

Interests range from power electronics and energy conversion control further to sustainable energy systems integration, design and operation and more general in systems engineering approaches for dynamic decomposition, complexity reducing design and model-integrated prototyping.

## Teaching

- **Complex Systems**
- **Distributed Automation**
- **Technical Systems Modeling and Simulation**

# Christoph Schommer



*Prof. Dr. Christoph Schommer*

## Title

Assistant Professor – Management /Mining of Information and Net-based Computing (MINE)

## ego sum, qui sum

- Assistant Professor and Enseigneur-Chercheur - since October 2003
- Director of Studies, accredited Master of Science programme in Information and Computer Sciences (MICS), since 2005.
- Head of the MINE research group, <http://mine.uni.lu/>
- Programm Committee Member, IEEE Computer-based Medical Systems, Special Track on Knowledge Discovery and Data Mining in Medicine.
- Member of the Leitungsgremium of the GI e.V. – Regionalgruppe Trier/ Luxembourg
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## tempus fugit

- 8 years industrial experience - IBM Research & Development, IBM Software Group, IBM Global Services across Europe, United States, and the PR of China. Member of the IBM Patent program and IBM Author recognition program. Latest position: IT Architect.
- doctor philosophiae naturalis in Computer Science from the Johann Wolfgang Goethe-University of Frankfurt am Main in 2000.
- Lecturing at the JW Goethe University Frankfurt am Main (2001-2007), and University of Potsdam (2002-2003).
- Research assistant at the database group (Prof. Zicari) of the JW Goethe University Frankfurt am Main (1994-96).
- Diploma in Computer Science from the University of Saarbrücken and DFKI (Prof. Wahlster, Prof. Nerbonne) in 1993.

## explorare et studere

- Fundamental thoughts about the relationship of data, information, insights, and knowledge.
- Adaptive Artificial Mindmaps for Text Stream Data
- Creation and Management of Artificial Cogitations
- Adaptive Communication Interfaces

## docere

- MICS: Intelligent Systems
- MICS: Knowledge Discovery and Data Mining
- MICS: Applied Mining in Security
- BECS: Database management 1 (Data Modeling and Management)
- BECS: Database management 2 (Database Application Programming)
- BECS: Database management 3 (Business Intelligence)

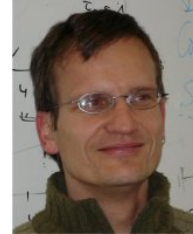
## consulere

- Maria Biryukov (doctorate): Mining Scientific Communities; Graph Mining in DBLP Bibliography Database (Project MSC)
- Michael Hilker (doctorate): Bio-inspired Network Protection; Security Analysis in Internet Traffic (Project SANA)
- Sascha Kaufmann (doctorate): User Behavior Analysis in Web-based portals; Web Conviviality (Project CUBA)

## Current Master & Diploma

- Claudine Brucks. Research Work: Text Stream Analysis
- Cynthia Wagner. Research Work: Text Stream Analysis
- Ejikeme Uzoghukwu. Research Work: Adaptive Mining in Stream Data.
- Conny Uhde, JW Goethe University Frankfurt am Main. Research Work: Author Profiling. Svetlana Danilova, JW Goethe University Frankfurt am Main. Research Work: Attitude Mining in Texts.

# Ulrich Sorger



## Title

Professor - *Information Theory and Telecommunications*

## Curriculum Vitae

- Professor at UL since October 2002
- Habilitation in Telecommunication at TU Darmstadt in 2002
- Lecturer at TU Darmstadt since 1996
- PhD. in Electrical Engineering at TH-Darmstadt in 1994
- Diploma in Electrical Engineering within the framework of the European study program Paris-Essex-Karlsruhe in 1989

## Keywords of research and teaching interests

### Research:

- Information Theory
- Information Exchange
- Transmission over Time Variant Channels
- Coding Theory

### Teaching:

- **Communication and Networking** (Core Course together with Thomas Engel)
- **Information Theory and Coding**
- **Coding Theory** (Similar course is given at TU Darmstadt)
- **Wireless Systems**

# Leon van der Torre

## Title

Full Professor in intelligent and adaptive systems



## Highlights of Events

The second workshop on "Normative Multi-Agent Systems" (NorMAS07) took place at Schloss Dagstuhl as **Seminar 07122**, 18.03.2007-23.03.2007.

The second workshop on "Coordination and Organization" (CoOrg06) took place at the federated conferences on Distributed Computing Techniques, **DisCoTec06**, that was held in Bologna, Italy, 14-16 June 2006.

Workshop on **Trustworthy Software**, May 18-19, 2006, Saarland University, Saarbrücken, Germany

The course "Roles from Different Angles - the role of roles in multiagent systems" was given at the Eighth European Agent Systems Summer School (EASSS 2006) in Annecy, France, 17 - 21 July 2006.

## Curriculum Vitae

I was born in Rotterdam, the Netherlands, and at the Erasmus University of Rotterdam I held positions at EURIDIS and the Department of Computer Science during which I obtained my MS (August 1992) and my PhD in computer science (February 1997). I worked on deontic logic in computer science (with Yao-Hua Tan).

In the following two years I visited the Max Planck Institute for computer science and the IRIT laboratory in Toulouse, France as a Marie Curie fellow, where I worked on qualitative decision theory (with Jerome Lang and Emil Weydert), and started to work on input/output logics (with David Makinson).

Returning to the Netherlands, I worked at the Vrije Universiteit van Amsterdam in the SINS project and at the CWI on the ArchiMate project. I worked on agent theory and cognitive science. I initiated the BOID project (with Jan Broersen, Mehdi Dastani, Zhisheng Huang and Joris Hulstijn) and the normative multiagent systems (with Guido Boella).

I started January 2006 at the University of Luxembourg. I am COST ICT Domain Committee member for Luxembourg, ERCIM executive committee member for Luxembourg, and responsible for priority P1 on security and trust within the University of Luxembourg.

## Research

Input-output logic (IOL) is a theory of input/output operations resembling inference, but where input propositions are not in general included among outputs and the operation is not in any way reversible. Examples arise in contexts of conditional obligations, goals, ideals, preferences, actions, and beliefs. Four are singled out: simple-minded, basic (making intelligent use of disjunctive inputs), simple-minded reusable (in which outputs may be recycled as inputs), and basic reusable. They are defined semantically and characterized by derivation rules, as well as in terms of relabeling procedures and modal operators. Their behavior is studied on both semantic and syntactic levels.

The BOID is an abstract agent representation that consists of the four components Beliefs, Obligations, Intentions and Desires. The simple-minded BOID is a lightweight stimulus response agent that only exhibits reactive behavior. Our BOID consists of two phases: the first phase results in an intermediate epistemic state, and the second phase results in new intended actions. This simple-minded BOID is extended (as time and resources allow) with capabilities for deliberation which may result in more complex (e.g. pro-active) behavior.

Normative multi agent systems study general and domain independent properties of norms. It builds on results obtained in deontic logic, the logic of obligations and permissions, for the representation of norms as rules, the application of such rules, contrary-to-duty reasoning and the relation to permissions. However, it goes beyond logical relations among obligations and permissions by explaining the relation among social norms and obligations, relating regulative norms to constitutive norms, explaining the evolution of normative systems, and much more.

## Further information.

## Teaching

Intelligent systems, Knowledge representation, Selected topics in AI (MiCS) Mathematics for computer science (BeCS)

# Denis Zampunieris



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## Keywords of the research and teaching interests

### TEACHING

- Programming languages and methodologies
- e-Learning systems and engineering methods

### RESEARCH

- Proactive e-Learning management systems
- Design and development of interactive multimedia contents for e-Learning courses
- Problem solving methods and tools
- Model checking for the formal verification of large software systems
- Symbolic data structures and computations

### Teaching

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# ACTIVITY REPORT (SHORT)

## Unité de Recherche en Informatique

### Computer Science & Communications Research Unit

The primary mission of the Computer Science & Communication Research Unit (CSC) is to conduct fundamental and applied research in the area of computer, communication and information sciences. Our goal is to push forward the scientific frontiers of these fields. Additionally, we provide support for the educational tasks at the academic and professional Bachelor and Master levels as well as for the PhD program.

CSC organizes the Master in information and computer sciences (MICS), the professional master in management of information security, the professional bachelor in engineering oriented toward computer science, the professional bachelor in computer science & management.

CSC is organized as a set of labs regrouped by topics: Advanced Software Systems, Communicative Systems, Intelligent and Adaptive Systems, Information Security. It is in charge of implementing the strategic priority on security, reliability and trust of the University of Luxembourg..

CSC includes 20 professors, 10 post-docs, more than 50 PhD candidates, and a number of research collaborators. Currently, we instruct more than 200 students at Bachelor and Master levels, and try to encourage them through close supervision and advice. For the professional branches, we want to bridge the gap between theory and practice, whereas for the academic branches, we foster on a problem-oriented understanding of the theoretical foundations of computer science.

#### **Academic Staff**

Jean-Claude Asselborn\*, professor

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Ulrich Sorger, professor

Bernard Steenis, assistant-professor

Leon van der Torre, professor

Denis Zampuniéris, professor

Björn Ottersten, invited professor

Formerly affiliated to the Faculty of Law, Economics and Finance. Joined CSC on 1 January 2007.

### **Main activities in 2007**

During 2007, CSC continued its growth, also by integrating the research laboratory on information security formerly affiliated to the Faculty of Law, Economics and Finance, reaching 120 people at the end of the year.

Two new major UL projects (CRYPTOSEC, AASTM) on the security, reliability and trust thematic were initiated. The EU FP6 project U2010 received an excellent evaluation from the European Commission.

CSC organized several important events in Luxembourg

- FSE 2007, the 14th Fast Software Encryption conference workshop, 26-28 March
- EFTS 2007
- Compositionality Workshop 11-17 March
- WISSEC 2007, the 2nd Benelux Workshop on Information and System Security, 20-21 September
- RISE 2007, the 4th International Workshop on Rapid Integration of Software Engineering techniques, 26-27 November
- Seminar Series about Data Streams
- NORMAS 2007 18-23 March
- Formal Models of Norm Change, 29-30 November

and also regular seminars on the topics of its four laboratories.

CSC members have been part of the organization committee of several international conferences/workshops and in particular taking part of the International Program Committees of 44 international conferences and workshops in 2007: CRYPTO'2007, ASIACRYPT'2007, ICISC'07, ECRYPT 07, WEWoRC07, ORBEL 07, NIDISC '07, HPCS'07, GaDa'07, NPC'07, PPAM '07, PSC-E 2007, RISE'2007, EFTS 2007, CEET-CET07, MDEIS 07, PNSE 07, SE4OC07, IS'07, MOTHIS'07, WISSec'07, VOTE-ID'07, Secrypt 2007, CRITIS 2007, EFTS 2007, RTiS 2007, RTS 2007, WOMP 2007, NorMAS 2007,

ECSQARU 2007, PC MFI 07, AI 2007,LCD07, SOFSEM'07, WI07, JURIX07,  
PRIMA 2007, EUMAS 2007, BNAIC07, ESAW07, LADS 2007, ArgMas 2007,  
AAMAS'07, KSEM07

More than 20 journal papers and around 100 papers in international  
conferences with peer review have been published.

On 2 May, Leon van der Torre gave his inaugural speech entitled "Violation  
games: a new approach of handling norms in intelligent systems".

On 6 November, Simin Nadjm-Tehrani gave her inaugural speech entitled  
"Living with computer systems that fail".



# LABS

<b>Intitulé du Laboratoire :</b>	<b>Com.SYS : Communicative Systems Laboratory</b>
Référence :	F01L0202
Chef de projet :	Prof Dr. Thomas Engel
Equipe de recherche :	Thomas Engel, Pascal Bouvry, Sjouke Mauw, Simin Nadjm-Tehrani, Steffen Rothkugel, Jürgen Sachau, Ulrich Sorger
Domaine de recherche :	Informatique
Objectives :	<p>The Communicative Systems Laboratory (ComSys) focuses on state of the art research in digital communications. Embracing the end-to-end arguments in system design, ComSys focuses on integrated research in the areas of Information Transfer and Communicating Systems. Information Transfer is concerned with information transmission over potentially complex channels and networks. Communicating Systems in turn are the composition of multiple distributed entities employing communication networks to collaboratively achieve a common goal.</p> <p>ComSys has strong technical and personal facilities to improve existing and develop new solutions in the following research topics.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Information Transmission</li><li>• Wireless Communication Systems</li><li>• Security Protocols</li><li>• Trust Models</li><li>• Middleware</li><li>• Parallel and Distributed Systems</li><li>• Grid and Peer-to-Peer Computing</li><li>• Management and Mining of Data</li></ul> <p>The research fields will have a strong impact on the 21st century. The rapidly growing demand for information exchange in people's daily lives requires technologies like ubiquitous and pervasive computing to meet the expectations of the information society and novel adaptive concepts tackling the continuing data challenges.</p> <p>The resulting problems have already been a key enabler for some industrial and governmental founded projects at national and European level. Current research projects propagate technologies for</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Hybrid Wireless Networks</li><li>• Information Dissemination in Ad-Hoc Networks</li><li>• Mobile Communication</li><li>• Mobile Learning</li><li>• Network Traffic Analysis and Protection</li><li>• Network Traffic Management and Coordination</li><li>• Secure Satellite Communication</li><li>• Secure Wireless MANETs</li></ul>

**Intitulé du Laboratoire :** ILIAS: Interdisciplinary Lab on Intelligent and Adaptive Systems

**Référence :** F01L0203

**Chef de projet :** Prof Dr. Pascal BOUVRY

**Equipe de chercheurs :** Pascal Bouvry, Christoph Schommer, Ulrich Sorger, Leon van der Torre, Denis Zampunieris

**Domaine de recherche:** Informatique

**Objectives :** ILIAS is a cross-disciplinary research group combining expertise from computer science, information theory, mathematics, and logic. Our overarching subject is information processing in complex and dynamic environments given limited resources and incomplete or uncertain knowledge. We investigate the theoretical foundations and the algorithmic realizations of systems performing complex problem solving with a high degree of autonomy, i.e.~intelligent, and exploiting learning to deal with opaque and dynamic contexts, i.e.~adaptive. These subareas are characterized by multiple cross-fertilizations, e.g. information-theoretic or evolutionary methods for information mining, or logical frameworks for multi-agent systems and stochastic inference, to name just a few.

**Résultats:** The team of Professor Pascal Bouvry is researching on parallel and evolutionary computing, in particular how different species may co-evolve featuring different individuals taking local decisions while ensuring global objectives (e.g. search and optimization).

The team of Christoph Schommer concerns both with the intelligent processing of massive data streams that is continuous, fluent and potentially infinite and the dynamic management of information that comes out of it.

The research interest of MINE focuses on the explorative discovery of data streams through adaptive learning algorithms, novel dynamic management concepts for discovered patterns and relationships, and its presentation.

Basic areas of competence of the team of Ulrich Sorger are probability, information, and coding theory. The main directions are decoding of error control codes and stochastic interference, where the decoding of error correcting codes can be considered as stochastic inference problem respectively the inversion of a stochastic map.

The team of Leon van der Torre studies the use of logic for knowledge representation and multiagent systems. The work on multiagent systems is driven by the development of the Boella-van der Torre model of the game-theoretic approach to normative multiagent systems, based on input/output logics and the BOID architecture, with applications in trust, virtual communities, electronic commerce and security.

In 2008, ILIAS will be enriched by the arrival of the team of Professor Raymond Bisdorff working on Decision Making.

## **Intitulé du Laboratoire : LACS: Laboratoire d'Algorithmique, Cryptologie et Sécurité**

<b>Référence :</b>	F01L0204
<b>Chef de projet :</b>	Prof Dr. Alex Biryukov
<b>Equipe de chercheurs :</b>	Jean-Claude Asselborn, Alex Biryukov ,Jean-Sébastien Coron, Franck Leprévost,Sjouke Mauw,Volker Müller, Baptiste Alcalde, Nicolas Bernard, Nathalie Dagorn, Ton van Deursen, Hugo Jonker, Dmitry Khovratovich ,Ilya Kizhvatov, Ivica Nikolic, Than Ha Le, Alexander Maximov, Jun Pang, Sasa Radomirovic, Deike Priemuth-Schmid, André Stemper, Sébastien Varrette
<b>Domaine de recherche :</b>	Cryptographie Théorie algorithmique des nombres Sécurité systèmes et réseaux Information Security Management Partenaires :
<b>Objectifs :</b>	La banalisation des communications numériques et la migration des interactions sociales dans le cyberspace ont provoqué l'apparition de nouvelles inquiétudes relatives à la sécurité et à la confiance, par exemple concernant la confidentialité, la protection de la vie privée et l'anonymat; l'intégrité des données; la protection de la propriété intellectuelle et la gestion des droits d'auteur numériques; les menaces d'espionnage industriel et les systèmes de surveillance à grande échelle (tels qu'Echelon), etc. Ces problèmes sont, par essence, interdisciplinaires, à la jonction de plusieurs domaines: la théorie algorithmique des nombres, la cryptographie, la sécurité réseau, le traitement du signal, le développement logiciel, ainsi que les problèmes légaux associés, et de nombreux autres encore.
<b>Conferences:</b>	Alex Biryukov: Program Chair of the 14th Fast Software Encryption Conference (2007), taking place in Luxembourg. This conference was sponsored by the FNR and the University of Luxembourg (104 papers submitted, 28 accepted papers, more than 160 participants). Final proceedings published in the prestigious Lecture Notes in Computer Science series by Springer, 2007 Alex Biryukov: Co-program Chair (together with Prof. S.Mauw) of the 2nd Benelux Workshop on Information and System Security (WISSEC) in Luxembourg, 2007. There were about 40 participants and 19 presentations, mainly from Benelux, France, Germany.  Prof. Jean-Claude Asselborn served as a General Chair of the workshop.
<b>Program committees/boards :</b>	International CRYPTO'2007 conference, University of California, Santa-Barbara, US.  International ASIACRYPT'2007 conference, Sarawak, Malaysia.  10th International Conference on Information Security and Cryptology (ICISC'07), Seoul, Korea.  Tools for Cryptanalysis 2007 workshop organized by NoE ECRYPT, Krakow, Poland.  9th International Conference on Information and Communication Security (ICICS'07), Zhengzhou, China.  Western European Workshop on Research in Cryptology (WEWoRC), Bochum, Germany.

## **Intitulé du Laboratoire: LASSY Laboratory for Advanced Software Systems**

**Référence:** F01L0201

**Chef de Projet:** Nicolas Guelfi

**Equipe de chercheurs:** Nicolas Guelfi, Pierre Kelsen, Simin Nadjm-Tehrani, Jürgen Sachau, Denis Zampunieris, Bernard Steenis, Florencia Balbastro, Andrey Berlizev, Nicolas Boizot, Alfredo Capozucca, Nicolas Casel, Marcos Da Silveira, Marc El Alami, Barbara Gallina, Damien Garot, Alain Gérard, Christian Glodt, Elvira Kachafoutdinova, Jacques Klein, Stefan König, Gaëtan Pecoraro, Gilles Perrouin, Cédric Pruski, Elke Pulvermüller, Benoît Ries.

**Domaine de recherche:** Informatique

**Objectifs :** The Laboratory for Advanced Software Systems (LASSY) is conducting research on methods and tools for mastering the development of complex software systems. The LASSY has the following objectives:

- To develop new engineering processes
- To investigate modelling languages
- To perform research on the foundations of software engineering
- To assist in the development and in the use of e-learning tools
- To study verification and validation techniques

It focuses on the following application domains: industry-critical systems, e-learning systems, web-based distributed systems .

LASSY current activities tries to achieve the objectives by grouping its activities ,around research themes:

- ADS: Architectures for Dependable Distributed Systems
- ABS: AmBient Systems
- ELS: E-Learning Systems
- MDE: Model-Driven Engineering
- ICS: Industry-Critical Systems

LASSY has also for objective to be involved in national, European and international projects and collaborations.

### **Résultats :**

The LASSY results are in terms of publications, PhD thesis directed, research projects runned.

In 2007, we have achieved (<http://se2c.uni.lu/publications>) :

Two books

N. Guelfi, P. Pelliccione, H. Muccini, A. Romanovsky, Software Engineering of Fault Tolerant Systems, World Scientific Publishing Co., 2007

Rapid Integration of Software Engineering Techniques, Third International Workshop, RISE 2006, Geneva, Switzerland,. Revised Selected Papers. Lecture Notes in Computer Science 4401 Springer 2007, ISBN 978-3-540-71875-8

One PhD Thesis

Gilles Perrouin, "Architecting Software Systems Using Model Transformations And Architectural Frameworks"

3 book chapters, 1 journal article and 21 conference papers, 8 projects

# PROJECTS 2007

## **Intitulé du projet de recherché: Cryptanalysis and Design of Hash functions**

**Référence :** BFR07/ 031  
**Chef du projet :** Alex Biryukov  
**Equipe de chercheurs :** Ivica Nikolic  
**Domaine de recherche :** Informatique  
**Partenaires :** FNR  
**Résultats:** First literature study has been performed on the current trends in design and analysis of hash functions. Cryptanalysis of several existing hash functions have been done. Preliminary results on cryptanalysis of SHA-256 (NIST and ISO standard) have been obtained which improved best previously known results for this hash function. Results were accepted for publication by FSE'08 workshop, and will appear in Springer LNCS series.

## **Intitulé du projet de recherché: Workshop “symmetric Cryptography, Cryptanalysis”**

**Référence :** FNR/07/MA3/06  
**Chef du projet :** Alex Biryukov  
**Equipe de chercheurs :** Alex Biryukov, Joan Daemen, Stefan Lucks, Serge Vaudenay  
**Domaine de recherche :** Informatique  
**Partenaires :** FNR  
**Résultats:** Preparatory work for the 5-day workshop, which took place at the beginning of 2008. About 40 participants and 30 presentations were given.

## **Intitulé du projet de recherche : TeSEGrAd – Projet FNR – Programme SECOM / FNR/04/01/05**

**Référence :**  
**Chef de projet :** Franck Leprévost  
**Equipe de chercheurs :** Franck Leprévost, Nicolas Bernard, Pascal Bouvry, Riad Aggoune, Gilbert Klein, André Stemper ,Le Hoai Minh, Carlo Harpes  
**Domaine de recherche :** Algorithmique/Anonymat/Cryptologie  
**Partenaires :** Le travail sur ce projet est réalisé de manière conjointe avec la Faculté des Sciences, de la Technologie et de la Communication ainsi qu'avec Telindus. Des collaborations existent aussi avec le laboratoire ID-IMAG de Grenoble (France) et l'Institut d'Informatique de l'Académie des Sciences de Varsovie (Pologne).  
**Résultats :** Des productions concrètes sont déjà partiellement visibles (implémentation d'algorithmes cryptographiques basés sur des automates cellulaires sur FPGA, prototype en cours d'expérimentation et d'amélioration de communications anonymes) et des résultats intermédiaires ont été publiés ou sont en cours de publication dans diverses conférences internationales (voir liste des publications).

**Intitulé du projet de recherche : Crynosec (Projet : Université du Luxembourg / R1F205L03)**

<b>Référence :</b>	R1F205L03
<b>Chef de projet :</b>	Franck Leprévost
<b>Equipe de chercheurs :</b>	J.-C. Asselborn, N. Bernard, J.-S. Coron, F. Leprévost (chef de projet), V. Müller, S. Varrette et, depuis leur recrutement, A. Biryukov et V. Müller
<b>Domaine de recherche :</b>	Sécurité de l'information, cryptographie, théorie des nombres.
<b>Partenaires :</b>	Les partenariats naturels sont avec le groupe informel CryptAlpes (UJF et INPG, Grenoble), le groupe de recherche KANT (TU Berlin), le groupe AGC (UAB, Barcelone), les groupes TV et LASEC de l'EPFL (Lausanne), et certaines instances publiques, entrepreneuriales, politiques et gouvernementales de France et du Luxembourg.
<b>Résultats :</b>	Les premiers résultats sont : institution progressive d'un séminaire du LACS, avec la venue de conférenciers de tout premier plan. La vitesse de croisière est atteinte en 2006 ; interventions des membres de l'équipe dans plusieurs manifestations et conférences, implication dans la vie socio-économique par le biais de la participation au CA de LuxTrust SA, et organisation d'un workshop en partenariat avec la Chambre de Commerce du Luxembourg (21/3/2006) ; obtention de boîtes elliptiques donnant des résultats statistiques et de résistance aux cryptanalyses différentielles et linéaires meilleures que celles de l'algorithme FOX développé au LASEC (EPFL).

**Intitulé du Projet de recherché: Programme PRP Security and Trust in Digital Communications**

<b>Référence :</b>	
<b>Chef de projet :</b>	Jean-Sébastien Coron
<b>Equipe de chercheurs :</b>	J.-C. Asselborn, N. Bernard, J.-S. Coron, F. Leprévost, S. Varrette et, A. Biryukov et V. Müller.
<b>Domaine de recherche :</b>	Sécurité de l'information, cryptographie, théorie des nombres.
<b>Partenaires :</b>	Faculté des Sciences, de la Technologie et de la Communication, CRP Henri Tudor, RESTENA.
<b>Résultats :</b>	<p>Les premiers résultats obtenus en 2006 sont la publication d'articles dans le domaine de la sécurité des fonctions d'authentification et la cryptanalyse de schémas de signature basés sur l'algorithme RSA. Les projets PRP ont été suspendus en 2006.</p> <p>Deike Priemuth-Schmid and Dmitry Khovratovich have been hired as doctoral students, performing research in symmetric cryptography (stream ciphers, block ciphers and hash functions). Two publications have been presented at CHES 2007 by Dmitry on side-channel attacks on MACs and block-ciphers. Several publications are currently in the final stages before submission.</p>

**Intitulé du projet de recherche: Evo-Business: Applying evolutionary computing for real-world**

<b>Référence :</b>	R1F104T01
<b>Chef de projet</b>	Prof Dr Pascal BOUVRY
<b>Equipe des chercheurs :</b>	Prof Dr Christoph Schommer, Grégoire Danoy, Ben Schroeder, MarcinSeredynski

<b>Domaine de recherche :</b>	Informatique
<b>Durée du projet :</b>	2004-2007
<b>Partenaires :</b>	Prof Dr Olivier Boissier, Ecole des Mines de Saint-Etienne, Prof Dr Enrique Alba, University of Malaga
<b>Résultats :</b>	<p>We designed and implemented DAFO, a distributed framework for function optimisation. In DAFO, a set of co-evolutionary agents are trying to optimise their local cost functions while the coordination scheme between these agents, including potential reorganisation, is organized such that a global positive behaviour emerges, ie reaching a global optimum. We have tested and compared our solution on the ICP (Inventory Control Parameter) problem. The performance of dLCGA was opposed to the performance of a Simple GA, CCGA, LCGA. We also studied the opportunity to hybridise evolutionary algorithms with tabu search and demonstrated the superiority of this combination to more standard ones (e.g. EC+hill climbing) on the ICP problem. We start exploring a more complex problem due to its dynamicity, i.e. the optimisation of bypass UMTS links for partitioned ad-hoc networks. The objective in this context consists in bringing small world prosperities to these networks. We also included the notion of Trust Management.</p> <p>We went on implementing the ANIMA library. In ANIMA, we concern with data streams and the idea to manage associations between them in an adaptive memory. So, we are interested in finding trends or stable associations over time.</p>

**Intitulé du projet de recherche:** **SIM: Secure Identity Management**

<b>Référence :</b>	RSF1040103
<b>Chef de projet :</b>	Prof Dr Pascal Bouvry
<b>Equipe des chercheurs :</b>	Dr Riad Aggoune, MarcinSeredynski, ApivadeePiyatumrong,
<b>Domaine de recherche :</b>	Informatique
<b>Durée du projet :</b>	2005-2008
<b>Partenaires :</b>	Polish Acamy of Sciences (Prof Klopotek), KMUTT University –Thailand (Prof Lavagnananda), CRP-TUDOR (Project Leader), KBL, SUN, Onetree Technologies, hôpital de Kirchberg
<b>Résultats :</b>	<p>We have been studying the problem of broadcast on ad-hoc networks and the simulation of such networks (in coordination with the SoNi project) and the notion of trust on ad-hoc networks (in coordination with the Abasmus project).</p> <p>Then we defined a mathematical model based on game-theory for modelling and studying the management of trust on ad-hoc networks. Local strategy of players is optimised using genetic algorithms. We included modelling real-world parameters such as battery level.</p> <p>We have shown that having a few repeating interactions allow players to rapidly build trust and also avoid them suffering of constant selfish players.</p> <p>During 2007 our trust model has been enhanced by considering new factors like battery and activity levels.</p> <p>We also explore the notion of trust management and in particular how to enrich the DAGRS model for handling trust information (DAGRS is developed in Bordeaux and relies on the notion of a spanning of forest for managing ad-hoc networks)</p>

**Intitulé du projet de recherche: EVOSEC: Evolutionary Computing & Security**

Référence :

**Chef de projet :** Prof Dr Pascal Bouvry

**Equipe des chercheurs :** Dr Riad Aggoune, Sadia Azem, Cathy Wolozewicz, Marek Ostazewski, Julien Schleich, Malika Mehdi

**Domaine de recherche :** Informatique

**Durée du projet :** 2006-2007

**Partenaires :** PolishAcamy of Sciences (Prof Seredynski), University of Lille/INRIA (Prof Talbi), University of Metz (Prof Le ThiHoai), University of Malaga (Prof Alba)

**Résultats :** First results have been achieved in the intrusion detection domain using a self/non-self approach and the enhanced by immune networks.

In terms of job shop scheduling under maintenance constraints, the work is in good progress too.

From September 2007, MalikaMehdi and JulienSchleich started their PhD work, respectively on grid and ad-hoc/wireless computing.

Results have been published (cf bibliography section) and several conferences have also been organized in this context.

**Intitulé du projet de recherche : SECRIPT :**

**Référence :** F1R-CSC-PUL-07SECR

**Chef de projet :** Jean-Sébastien CORON Alex Biryukov (co-chef project)

**Equipe des chercheurs :** Jean-Sébastien Coron, Alex Biryukov, Volker Muller, Franck Leprévost, Jean-Claude Asselborn

**Partenaires :** Université du Luxembourg

**Domaine de recherche :** Sécurité de l'information, cryptographie, théorie des nombres

**Durée du projet :** 3 yeras

**Résultats :** Ilya Kizhvatov has been hired in December 2007 to perform work on side-channel attacks. Bin Zhang will start a post-doc in May 2008 working on stream ciphers. There are still 1 postdoc and 2 Ph.D. student positions to be filled.

**Intitulé du projet de recherche : CRYPTOCOM :**

**Référence :** FNR CRYPTOCOM, RFF2050104

**Chef de projet :** Jean-Sébastien CORON

**Equipe des chercheurs :** Jean-Sébastien Coron, Alex Biryukov, Volker Muller, Franck Leprévost, Jean-Claude Asselborn

**Durée du projet :** 2 ans

**Domaine de recherche :** Sécurité de l'information, cryptographie, théorie des nombres.

**Partenaires :** Fonds National de la Recherche

**Résultats :** Dans le cadre de ce projet, nous avons recruté en post-doc Alexander Maximov, pour travailler dans le domaine de la sécurité des algorithmes de chiffrement symétrique. Le projet ayant débuté en octobre 2006, nous n'avons pas encore de résultat à ce jour.



Post-doc Than Ha Le was hired for doing research in the area of side-channel attacks replacing Maximov who from September 2007 is leaving for Ericsson (Sweden).

Recrutement de Alexander Maximov (09/2006-09/2007)

Recrutement de Thanh Ha Le (10/2007-10/2008)

**Intitulé du projet de recherche :** **CORRECT : rigorous stepwise development of Complex Fault-Tolerant Distributed Systems from Architectural Description to Java Implementation**

**Référence:** R1F104T04

**Chef de projet:** Prof. Nicolas GUELF

**Equipe des chercheurs:** Florencia Balbastro, Andrey Berlizev, Alfredo Capozucca, Barbara Gallina

**Domaine de recherche:** Computer Science

**Durée du projet:** 2004 – 2007

**Partenaires:** Prof. Alexander Romanovsky, University of Newcastle upon Tyne

**Résultats:** CORRECT proposes an architecture-driven methodology for developing fault-tolerance systems, where a traditional architectural specification is verified and enhanced with fault tolerance information, and utilized to produce a fault tolerant design model and the implementation of the software system. This architecture-based methodology covers all phases of system development, from requirements specification to system implementation. Following the MDA principle, our methodology incorporates proper (automatic or semi-automatic) model-to-model transformation techniques to generate more detailed design models for handling exceptions. The next step involves the automatic generation of the application skeleton code from the fault-tolerance design model, via transformation rules. Since it is usually impossible to generate a complete implementation, what we may reasonably expect is to generate an implementation schema with a set of classes and their methods and exceptions declaration. The role of a programmer is then to write the body of the methods and the code of the exceptional behaviour, while the schema automatically manages exception propagation and orchestration.

**Intitulé du projet de recherche:** **Secan-Lab: Interoperability for Security in Ad-Hoc Networks**

**Référence :** R1F104T05

**Chef de projet :** Prof Dr Thomas Engel

**Equipe des chercheurs :** Uwe Roth

**Domaine de recherche :** Computer Science

**Durée du projet :** 2004-2007

**Partenaires :** Crédit Suisse (L), Dresdner Bank (L), ESA (L), SES Astra (L), Siemens (L), P&T (L), RESTENA (L), VOXMobile (L)

**Résultats :** The SECAN-Lab project has ended in 2007. The SECAN-lab outlasts as physical laboratory with server-, lab-, and teaching-rooms and as home-infrastructure for other running projects. This infrastructure has been extensively used in 2007. The Laboratory rooms and classroom has been used for several workshops (e.g. the 6diss-workshop) and lectures in the area of mobile computing. The testbed has now been extended with an IPv6-

link, which was needed in the u-2010-project and which is the first IPv6 link of the University.

The SECAN-Lab continued its research on Trust & Security and Identity & Anonymity in wireless networks. The Trust-term is now well understood and has been examined in a scenario of unsynchronised access of the wireless link of mesh-networks. Another result is the possibility to identify wireless communication partners on the base of their communication fingerprint.

**www :** <http://wiki.uni.lu/secan-lab/>

**Intitulé du projet de recherche:** **Mesh Sequencer Project**

**Référence :** R1F104T05

**Chef de projet :** Prof Dr Thomas Engel

**Equipe des chercheurs :** Volker Fusenig, Dagmara Spiewak, Eugen Staab

**Domaine de recherche :** Computer Science

**Durée du projet :** 2005-2008

**Résultats :** In the scientific community, trust is seen as a promising concept for capacity regulations and security enhancements in Mobile Ad Hoc Networks (MANETs). However, the problem of deciding about trustworthy behaviour is not much covered in literature. In one accepted paper the issue of "excusable failures", i.e. failures that do not give reason to diminish the trust in a failing nodes was developed. These "excusable failures" were examined on a general level and a formal notion was developed by means of predicate logic.

Furthermore the Mesh Sequencer project investigates techniques for the establishment of anonymity in mesh networks. Anonymity can be used for several applications, such as electronic voting. In a second paper a protocol for anonymous communication multi hop wireless networks was presented. Mechanisms on how to measure anonymity are still work in progress.

**www :** <http://wiki.uni.lu/secan-lab/Mesh+Sequencer+Project.html>

**Intitulé du projet de recherche:** **ESA Satellite Communication Security**

**Référence :** RAF105ESA

**Chef de projet :** Prof Dr Thomas Engel

**Equipe des chercheurs :** Daniel Fischer

**Domaine de recherche :** Computer Science

**Durée du projet :** 2006-2009

**Partenaires :** European Space Agency (ESA),  
European Operation Space Center (ESOC), Germany

**Résultats :** The current space link communication protocols developed and maintained by the Consultative committee for Space Data Systems (CCSDS) are analysed and possibilities to include security features like telecommand authentication and payload telemetry encryption are implemented. The participants of this project are active members of the CCSOS security working group. Participation in a new working group on data-link layer security protocols is confirmed and work will start soon.

Having investigated the security situation in point-to-point space links, the project also investigates security challenged in next generation satellite networks. The unique network topology and space-related environmental properties require adapted or new approaches in secure communications. A satellite communication network topology behaves like mixture of static and Ad-Hoc networks and requires a combination of both in order to achieve the desired objectives.

The project has successfully created a topology model and a generic routing protocol for these predictable mobile networks that can be used as a template for further work.

The ongoing special focus lies on the extension of the topology model and routing protocol to support important security assets like identity and key management. The limited resources of a satellite network present a number of challenges here. The project especially considers independent, non-trustable mobile ground terminals that are interconnected with the satellite networks as such devices will become common in the next few years.

Further, work has started on an adaptation of these generic protocols to concrete ESA infrastructures such as a Mars mission and a hybrid Geostationary / Low Earth Orbit satellite network.

#### **Intitulé du projet de recherche: Dresdner Bank. Secure Usage and Trust of Mobile Devices in Networks for international Banking Environments**

<b>Référence :</b>	RAF0106004
<b>Chef de projet :</b>	Prof Dr Thomas Engel
<b>Equipe des chercheurs :</b>	Michael Stieghahn
<b>Domaine de recherche :</b>	Computer Science
<b>Durée du projet :</b>	2005 - 2009
<b>Partenaires :</b>	Dresdner Bank Luxembourg S.A. (L), J.W. Goethe University/Germany
<b>Résultats :</b>	<p>The project aims are to develop and analyze a possible scenario for mobile devices for the private wealth management of Dresdner Bank Luxembourg S.A. Following this, an appropriate solution is to be developed to provide a secure usage and legal constraints compliant usage of mobile devices regarding the transfer, process and storage customer-related confidential data. This solution shall be heavily standardized in order to increase interoperability and reduce maintenance costs associated within existing systems. To define and to proof security a security concept derivation process was developed. This security concept contains different security degrees. A security degree is a security level or a security goal for an object, a subject or a task. To achieve a security concept regulations and definitions from different areas have to be taken as input. Legal issues, like Luxembourgian law, European law and international law, have to be taken into account and determine if a solution whether is allowed to be used or not. Legal issues are highly necessary as input for the security requirements. Those requirements specify the data to protect by classifying them and to regulate the kind and level of protection. The framework contains the network model and therefore the proposed or deployed infrastructure for a solution. The framework is used on the one hand as input for the security requirements because different technologies cause different requirements and on the other hand it is used as input for the risk assessment and for the security concept. First of all a use case was developed and the regarding security degrees where defined. The Legal constraints were gathered and were incorporated into the security degrees. At last the environmental variables were discovered that can be used to secure a solution and to identify an user, a device or the environment.</p>

<b>Intitulé du projet de recherche :</b>	<b>Crédit Suisse Component Oriented Security Systems Modelling</b>
<b>Référence :</b>	R1F0106003
<b>Chef de projet :</b>	Prof Dr Thomas Engel
<b>Equipe des chercheurs :</b>	Christoph Brandt
<b>Domaine de recherche :</b>	Computer Science
<b>Durée du projet :</b>	2006 - 2009
<b>Partenaires :</b>	Crédit Suisse
<b>Résultats :</b>	Results are promising. A distributed system can be modelled using abstract behaviour types and Reo connectors. Such a model is equivalent to a SOA architecture. At a second layer it can be connected to corresponding business services that are modelled likewise. The modelling elements are mathematically sound and suitable to model checking. Security requirements derived from security policies can be modelled using first-order logic. An ABT/Reo model can be easily integrated with it. Business and IT processes that describes the traffic threads running on the business and IT service model can be defined using process algebra. All mathematical models (ABT/Reo, FOL, PA) are suitable to model checking and enable full automation. Algebraic graph transformation techniques can be used to support the construction process of every single model as well as the integration of the different models later on. Therefore the modelling process itself as well as the integration of the models is under the full control of mathematical methods. Because the specification of the different models is declarative they are easily to be used by the people in the scenario working in their own domain language.

<b>Intitulé du projet de recherche :</b>	<b>Architecting Software Systems using Model Transformation and Architectural Frameworks</b>
<b>Référence :</b>	FIDJI
<b>Chef de projet :</b>	Nicolas GUELFI
<b>Domaine de recherche :</b>	Computer Science (Software Engineering)
<b>Durée du projet :</b>	2004-2007
<b>Partenaires :</b>	Prof. Dr. Patrick Heymans (University of Namur, Belgium), Dr Olivier Biberstein (Berne University of Applied Sciences, School of Engineering and Information Technology)
<b>Résultats :</b>	In 2006, a particular attention has been devoted to the definition and validation of the early phases of the methodology (requirements elicitation and analysis). In particular a new template for the elicitation of software product lines [1] has been proposed in collaboration with the CORRECT team and integrated with the analysis phase [2] of the method. The remaining work was dedicated to the design phase and the writing of the doctoral dissertation. In 2007, FIDJI methodology will be fully detailed in the PhD dissertation of Gilles Perrouin which will be defending during the year. In addition, some of the contributions of the PhD will be submitted for publication in a scientific journal.

<b>Intitulé du projet de recherche :</b>	<b>RESIST:Towards a Secured, Efficient Platform for the e-Commerce of Personalized Health Products</b>
<b>Référence :</b>	RFF1 04 01 02
<b>Coordinateur de projet :</b>	Prof. Nicolas Guelfi

**Chef de projet :** Marcos Da Silveira  
**Equipe des chercheurs :** Jerry-David Baldacchino, Marc Seil, Anke Wienecke  
**Domaine de recherche :** Computer Science  
**Durée du projet :** 2006-2009  
**Partenaires :** CRP  
**Résultats :** RESIST project started in august 2006 and had finished the three first phases: the state of the art; the requirements analysis and the market study. The main results had been detailed in the technical reports delivered by the work team. Last year, three reports where published: D1.1, D1.3 and D1.4. In these reports, we present, respectively, the research efforts of European community contribution, the efforts to adapt legislation and data security, finally the technical challenge and standards to integrate devices in medical domain. This year, we present: a set of needs collected from healthcare Professionals in order to use a common platform to offer/provide care services (D2.1); a set of technical and scientific needs to implement this common platform (D2.2); the evaluation of commercial solutions to remote monitoring patients (D4.1); the results of a study of technical and scientific solutions to design and implement e-services into the common platform (D4.2).

**Intitulé du projet de recherche :** **SESAME: Specification-based Testing of Safety-critical small-sized Embedded Systems**

**Référence :**  
**Chef de projet :** Prof. Nicolas GUELF  
**Equipe des chercheurs :** Benoît Ries, Dante Zanarini  
**Domaine de recherche :** Computer Science – Software Engineering  
**Durée du projet :** 2005-2009  
**Partenaires :** Aloyse Schoos, IEE, Luxembourg, Technology & Tools Department  
**Résultats :** The results of the project this year is the definition of the 4+2 view model for test selection that promotes the specification of reduction rules for test selection from different stakeholders. The approach that we describe promotes the identification of reduction rules that are related to the customer(s), the company, the product line of the system under test, and the design of the system. These reductions rules constrain the specification models in different ways for the purpose of testing.  
  
The artefacts for the specification notation of the project were selected. More precisely, UML2 classes and UML2 protocol state machines are used for the analysis specification model. Formalization is underway to define the semantics of the classes and protocol state machines in terms of the CSP-OZ-DC formal language. CSP-OZ-DC is a language that allows specifying altogether the formal specification of behaviour, data and time properties; behaviour, data, time being the three essential aspects of safety-critical small-sized embedded systems.

**Intitulé du projet de recherche :** TARGET : Optimal Adaptive Information Management over the Web

**Référence :** BFR 05/077

**Chef de projet :** Nicolas Guelfi

**Equipe des chercheurs :** Cédric Pruski

**Domaine de recherche :** Informatique

**Durée du projet :** 2006-2008

**Partenaires :** Université Paris-Sud XI (Orsay),  
Laboratoire de Recherche en Informatique (LRI), INRIA Futurs  
allow commonplace modifications of their contents without a total rebuilding

**Résultats :** The main contributions in 2007 are:

- An empirical analysis of the evolution of a domain. The domain concerned is the WWW series of conference.
- A new conceptual framework for ontology evolution proposed based on the study of the domain (see above)

**Intitulé du projet de recherche :** A Formal Approach for Specification and Verification of an Advanced Transactional Frameworks Product Line for Dependable Distributed Systems Engineering

**Chef de projet :** Prof. Nicolas Guelfi

**Equipe des chercheurs :** Barbara Gallina

**Domaine de recherche :** Computer Science – Software Engineering

**Durée du projet :** March 2006 - March 2010

**Partenaires :** Prof. Alexander ROMANOVSKY, University of Newcastle upon Tyne, School of Computing Science, UK

**Résultats :** State Of The Art of the Coordinated Atomic Action (CAA) concept. A thorough analysis of the concepts which identify the constituent of the CAA concept itself has been carried out by taking into consideration more than 10 years of related literature.

The completeness and correctness of the different available approaches, which give a formal semantics to the CAA concept, have been evaluated on the basis of the concepts coverage/compliance. Also formalization works, concerning the verification means capabilities of the CAA concept, have been discussed.

The evolution of the CAA concept has been traced and motivated and some variants (WSCA, RT-CAA, CAMA) have been taken into consideration. This research work has also allowed the provision of some perspectives.

From this analysis it has emerged that: 1) the CAA concept itself should be further detailed to establish, for instance, which properties a root CAA has 2) a complete and correct formal interpretation of the concept is still an issue; 3) an advanced transactional framework fitting all sizes does not exist (several variants have been provided); 4) transactional and fault tolerance properties have been reused and are still reusable.

These conclusions have put in evidence that:

1) a further work is required to give a usable formal semantics to the concept; 2) a product line perspective is valuable also to engineer advanced transactional frameworks. A CAA variant may be seen as a product derived by selecting specific variants at each available variation point of the CAA product line.

The product line perspective is therefore of interest in order to retrieve core assets (commonalities) for advanced transactional frameworks.

-REQET template extension. This new template has been called DRET (Dependable Requirements Elicitation Template) and through it product lines non-functional requirements may be elicited whenever part of the problem space. In particular DRET allows the elicitation of the following non-functional requirements: concurrency typology, distribution, duration and dependability.

**Intitulé du projet de recherche :** **Designing Dependable Real-Time Distributed Systems using Advanced Transactional Models**

**Référence :**

**Chef de projet :** Nicolas Guelfi

**Equipe des chercheurs :** Alfredo Capozucca

**Domaine de recherche :** Transaction Processing, Real-Time Software and Formal Methods

**Durée du projet :** 2007-2010

**Partenaires :** Prof. Alexander ROMANOVSKY, University of Newcastle upon Tyne, School of Computing Science, UK

Prof. Avelino Francisco ZORZO, Pontifícia Universidade Católica do Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil.

**Résultats :**

The requirements elicitation phase for the real-time transaction language to be provided is being performed along with the formalization of its semantics. The goal of this task is twofold: first to start identifying the first-class elements to be included in such a language, and secondly, to get use to working with formal techniques on the definition of language semantics. Obviously, while this task is being carried out, a state of the art about the main related areas (i.e. real-time, transactional processing, formal languages and formal semantics) is under production.

**Intitulé du projet de recherche :** **Developing Reliable Distributed Software Systems with Coordinated Atomic Actions Using Unified Modelling Language**

New title: "Test Procedure for Product Lines of Dependable Web-Based Transactional Systems

**Référence :** R&D BFR04/053

**Chef de projet :** Nicolas Guelfi

**Equipe des chercheurs :** Andrey Berlizev

**Domaine de recherche :** Software Engineering

**Durée du projet :** 2005-2008

**Partenaires :** Prof. Didier Buchs, University of Geneva, Software Modelling and Verification Group;

Prof. Alexander Romanovsky, University of Newcastle upon Tyne, School of Computing Science.

**Résultats :** In 2007 process overview was provided and deviations at the level of use case were defined. Requirements of bank case study were defined as a mean to express the method. The CORRECT analysis Use Case Model has been extended with activity diagram and preliminary informal semantics for it was given.

**Intitulé du projet de recherche :** **SPLIT: A Software Product Line Transformation Language**

**Référence :** BFR 06/100

**Chef de projet :** Jacques Klein

**Domaine de recherche** Informatique

**Durée du projet :** April 2007- April 2009

**Résultats :** 1- Beginning of a collaboration with a French INRIA/CNRS/University of Rennes1 Team called Triskell, on the notion of model composition in the contexts of Model Driven Engineering, Software Product Line and Aspect-Oriented Modeling.

2- Collaboration with the Professor Jörg Kienzle from the McGill University (Montreal, Canada). Definition of the notion of “reusable aspect model”

3- Proposition of a language of transformation based on Kermeta and the language of directives proposed by France et al..

**Publications :** 1. Jacques Klein and Jörg Kienzle, Reusable Aspect Models, In 11th Workshop on Aspect Oriented Modeling, AOM at Models’07, Nashville, USA, sep 2007.

2. Olivier Barais, Jacques Klein, Benoit Baudry, Andrew Jackson, Siobhán Clarke, Composing Multi - View Aspect Models, 7th IEEE International Conference on Composition Based Software Systems (ICCBSS), February, 25-29, 2008 - Madrid, Spain

**Intitulé du projet de recherche :**

**Chef de projet :** Prof. Dr. Nicolas Guelfi

**Equipe des chercheurs :** Gilles Perrouin

**Domaine de recherche :** Computer Science

**Durée du projet :** 2004-2007

**Partenaires :** Prof. Dr. Patrick Heymans (University of Namur, Belgium), Dr Olivier Biberstein (Berne University of Applied Sciences, School of Engineering and Information Technology).

**Résultats :** In 2007, work was exclusively focused on thesis writing as well as the preparation of the private and public defenses of the thesis. Dissemination of the FIDJI approach was ensured by the presentation of the paper “A flexible requirements analysis approach for software product lines” which was presented in Trondheim, Norway during REFSQ 2007 conference. The main contribution of this year is the PhD dissertation and concludes this research in Luxembourg.



**Intitulé du projet de recherche :** **DASCOM : Declarative Approaches to Software Complexity**

**Référence :** R1F105K06

**Chef de projet :** Pierre Kelsen

**Equipe des chercheurs :** Christian Glodt, Elke Pulvermüller (until September 2007)

**Domaine de recherche :** Computer Science (Software Engineering)

**Durée du projet :** 2005-2008

**Résultats :** The problem of type conversion in multi-domain systems was studied in 2007. Two general approaches for this problem were found: the first approach is based on a generalized Adapter pattern, while the second one uses special bridging models.

A general structural model for platform-independent models was conceived: it combines abstract domains (which can be viewed as domain-specific languages), concrete domains (which can be viewed as instances of these domain-specific languages) and a generic bridging domain.

a major overhaul of our DEMOS tool was carried out in 2007: platform-independent modelling with multiple domains is now the core functionality of the tool, with sophisticated abstract debugging assisting in checking abstract models.

Security and Trust of Software Systems (SaToSS)

The SaToSS group is focused on formalising and applying formal reasoning to real-world security problems and trust issues.

The group was established on January 1st, 2007 and has grown to six members (as of January 1st, 2008). In 2007 the group focussed on three research topics: security protocols, trust models, and e-voting. In addition, research has been performed in the domains of digital rights management and health care security.

**Intitulé du projet de recherche** **A formal approach to privacy in electronic voting**

**Référence :** BFR07/030

**Chef de projet :** Prof. Dr. S. Mauw

**Equipe de chercheurs :** Ir. H.L. Jonker

**Domaine de recherche :** Informatique

**Résultats :** Research has been performed on defining a class of anonymity properties and on the black box modelling of existing evoting protocols. A conceptual analysis of privacy in evoting has been executed, which has led to a presentation at WISSec 2007. Work assessing existing evoting protocols was commenced by initiating an analysis of the RIES protocol using existing analysis methodology (Common Criteria). This work served two ends: on the one hand, a structured security analysis of the RIES protocol was executed. On the other hand, experience with the world-wide accepted Common Criteria-methodology was gained, and the Protection Profile specific to this analysis underwent a critical evaluation. This two-fold analysis led to a publication at VOTE-ID 2007.

**Intitulé du projet de recherche: ERCIM fellowship**

**Référence :** ERCIM fellowship  
**Chef de projet :** Prof. Dr. S. Mauw  
**Equipe des chercheurs :** B. Alcalde  
**Domaine de recherche :** Informatique  
**Durée du projet :** 1 an  
**Partenaires :** Prof. dr. Jaco van de Pol (CWI - the Netherlands),  
Prof. dr. Joseph R. Kiniry (UCD – Ireland)

**Résultats :** After a study of the very prolific literature on the topic, we acquired expertise in the field of Trust. This study enabled us to give few perspectives to our positioning. First, we drew the foundations of a formal framework for trust management systems, by analyzing what are the constitutive elements of trust and what are the relations between these. This first work enabled us to identify other questions not answered in existing literature, or only partially such as how to enable transitivity of trust in a safe way. Second, we highlighted the link between trust and risk that brought us to collaborate with the CRP Henri Tudor - since one of their teams had already an expertise in risk management – in order to propose a decision process that takes into account both risk and trust components. Third, the exchange to UCD was also fruitful and several future cooperation in the domain of trust in relation with certification theory are planned.

**Intitulé du projet de recherche: Security protocols in identity management**

**Référence :** BFR07/103  
**Chef de projet :** Prof. Dr. S. Mauw  
**Equipe des chercheurs :** Dr. S. Radomirovic, Ir. T. van Deursen  
**Domaine de recherche :** Informatique

**Résultats :** The state-of-the-art in RFID protocols was studied. Several weaknesses in protocols were found. In studying RFID protocols, several properties of this specific class of security protocols were identified. These include security properties, such as untraceability, but also functional properties, such as scalability and compromisation tolerance. Research on formally defining untraceability has been performed, which resulted in a formal definition of this security property. A start has been made on applying this formal definition on existing RFID protocols and devising a method to verify the property.

**Intitulé du projet de recherche: Resource-constrained algorithms for reliable communication in delay-tolerant networks**

**Référence :**  
**Chef de projet :** Simin Nadjm-Tehrani  
**Equipe des chercheurs :** Gabriel Sandulescu  
**Domaine de recherche :** Informatique

**Durée du projet :** 2007-2011

**Intitulé du projet de recherche: Adaotuve abnormaly detection in ad hoc networks**

**Référence :**

**Chef de projet :** Simin Nadjm-Tehrani

**Equipe des chercheurs :** Yan Zhang

**Domaine de recherche :** Informatique

**Durée du projet :** 2007-2011

**Intitulé du projet de recherche : HyWeracs : Hybrid Wireless Network Communications**

**Référence :** R1F105K11

**Chef de projet :** Steffen ROTHKUGEL

**Équipe des chercheurs :** Adrian ANDRONACHE, Markus ESCH

**Domaine de recherche :** Computer Science

**Durée du projet :** 2005-2008

**Partenaires :** Peter STURM, University of Trier, (D); Laurent CIARLETTA, INRIA-LORIA, Nancy, (F)

**Résultats :** We studied different approaches to optimize the ad hoc network topology in order to fit the needs of different hybrid network applications. The Weighted Application-aware Clustering Algorithm (WACA) has been optimized to avoid superfluous re-organization of the cluster topology while dealing with mobility. As proof of concept we introduced the HyCast application and its different ad hoc information discovery mechanisms, which benefits from the topology built by WACA.

In order to allow collaboration and interaction among devices in mobile ad hoc networks the SEMPA middleware has been implemented prototypically. It is based on widespread standards like XAML and Web-Services to achieve platform independency. The concept behind SEMPA is to enable mobile applications to export their GUI to other devices.

**Intitulé du projet de recherche: ABASSMUS : Agent-Based Adaptive and Secure Service Provisioning for Mobile Users**

**Référence :** R1F104T03

**Chef de projet :** Steffen ROTHKUGEL

**Équipe des chercheurs :** Pascal BOUVRY, Matthias R. BRUST, Patrick GRATZ, Christian HOFF, Marcin SEREDYNSKI, Ulf WEHLING

**Domaine de recherche :** Computer Science

**Durée du projet :** 2004-2008

**Partenaires :** Enrique Alba, University of Malaga; Mieczysław K?opotek, Franciszek Seredynski, Institute of Computer Science, Polish Academy of Sciences, Warsaw; Carlos H. C. Ribeiro, Instituto Tecnológico de Aeronáutica, São José dos Campos SP, Brazil; Peter Sturm, University of Trier, Germany

**Résultats :** With respect to network topology, small-worlds are promising candidates for self-organizing communication networks. Several algorithms including

KHOPCA and Reckful Roaming have been introduced and evaluated with the objective of evoking small-world properties in hybrid wireless networks. Matthias R. BRUST finished his Ph.D. on these topics in December 2007.

Dynamic adaptation and topology control mechanisms have been investigated based on UbiSettlers, a prototype of a real-time strategy mobile multiplayer game for hybrid network environments.

At the middleware level, a new replication scheme for sharing tagged files in hybrid wireless networks has been developed, allowing to share assets independently of their physical location. Mobile learning has been used as one application scenario in this realm. The concept of artefacts has been introduced, allowing to interlink multiple digital assets. Several prototypical implementations for capturing, storing, distributing, and restoring such artefacts have been developed and tested. Collaborative filtering mechanisms tailored for hybrid environments have been introduced, using the information available from artefacts to calculate context-sensitive predictions and to improve recommendation of useful related learning assets. The cooperation enforcement mechanisms have been extended by the notion of activity of network participants. Numerous refinements to the reputation evaluation algorithm have been added and evaluated.

### **Intitulé du projet de recherche : TRIAS - Logic of Trust and Reliability for Information Agents in Science**

<b>Référence :</b>	R1F105K16
<b>Chef de projet :</b>	Christoph SCHOMMER
<b>Equipe des chercheurs :</b>	Textmining : Christoph Schommer
<b>Inference :</b>	Emil Weydert , Leon van der Torre (since Jan 06), Jonathan Ben-Naim (postdoc BFR, Oct 06 - Sep 07), Mathijs de Boer (since Dec 06)
<b>Domaine de recherche</b>	Intelligent Systems
<b>Durée du projet :</b>	July 05 - June 08
<b>Résultats:</b>	

- Agent prioritization in trust networks based on comparing support trees (principles).
- General framework for information merging exploiting trust networks and local prioritized merging.
- Critical assessment and generalization of the ranking system theory from the perspective of trust.
- Use of many-valued logics for handling contradictory information sources.
- Proposal of a simple numerical algorithm for measuring trust in the presence of cycles.
- Analysis of how to connect qualitative and quantitative representations and techniques
- (for trust formalisms).
- Initial investigation of a new source-semantic-based framework for resolving conflicting conditional information.
- Identification of the weaknesses of trust logics and exploration of different extensions with more realistic assumptions.
- Investigation of the pros and cons of dynamic epistemic logic for trust modeling.

- Investigation of communicative acts in the context of defeasible reasoning to handle epistemic trust.
- Textual fingerprinting as a tool for classifying and evaluating papers.
- Attitude mining for the recognition of modalities.

#### **Intitulé du projet de recherche: ADAM – Adaptive Information Memories**

<b>Référence:</b>	R1F1K5017
<b>Chef de projet:</b>	Christoph SCHOMMER
<b>Equipe des chercheurs:</b>	Ralph Weires
<b>Domaine de recherche:</b>	Computer Science and Communication
<b>Durée du projet:</b>	10/2005 – 09/2007
<b>Résultats :</b>	For the first approach, we are currently working on collecting sample interaction data of search engine users. We need to get enough information of users to test if our approach is able to provide a substantial improvement of the search results.

#### **Intitulé du projet de recherche : ICC – Inventing Communities of Communication**

<b>Référence :</b>	R1F106K05 - RAF106002
<b>Chef de projet :</b>	Christoph SCHOMMER
<b>Equipe des chercheurs :</b>	Leon van der Torre, Patrice Caire, Sasha Kaufmann
<b>Domaine de recherche :</b>	Computer Science and Communication
<b>Durée du projet :</b>	03/2006 - 02/2009
<b>Partenaires :</b>	Dr. Detlev Goetz, Mathias Sliepen, City of Luxembourg
<b>Résultats</b>	<p>We have created an online document, see <a href="http://mine.uni.lu/icc.html">http://mine.uni.lu/icc.html</a> and submitted conference papers to international conferences (Salamanca, Newcastle). Moreover, a presentation has been done and visits, for example at the MINE Research Days and talks at Computer Science Group/Internal Seminar Series. Participations on different academic and industrial events and places have taken place, for example at the Sony research center, and scientific visits established (Prof. Pelachaud, Uni Paris).</p> <p>Currently, our methodology is to follow two main approaches for conviviality in digital cities:</p> <p>We concern with conviviality as a multi-agent problem and are on creating an organizational model of e-conviviality.</p> <p>We concern with conviviality as a problem of learning the wishes and desires of the user; here, we have identified a way to learn the user's behaviour (non-obvious Profiling).</p>

#### **Intitulé :** Flexible Energy Systems Management (FESM)

<b>Référence :</b>	R1F105K12
<b>Chef de projet :</b>	Juergen SACHAU
<b>Equipe de chercheurs :</b>	Ralf HOBEN, Stefan KÖNIG
<b>Domaine de recherche :</b>	Systems and Controls Engineering

**Durée du projet:** 2006-2010

**Résultats :** Within the objective of the FESM a core research topic in the direction of sustainable regional planning of decentralized biomass energy systems has been crystallized. Therefore, we first work on a possibility of a sustainable calculation of the available biomass potential. One of our principles is in the strategic approach, i.e. we try to elaborate models useable in every geographical area. Consequent to the sustainable character, we worked beside the analysis of the biomass potential on a strategic cost analysis and a risk analysis of the decentralized biomass energy systems. A core approach in the transition to sustainable energy infrastructures is the integration of energy management on both supply and demand side. Widespread use of decentral control allow advanced methods closing the cycle from design and implementation to monitoring in a continuous improvement process. We evaluated monitoring architectures to support this scenario, set up simulation environments and proposed seminars.

**Intitulé :** **Realtime Automation Integrated Prototyping (RAIP)Flexible**

**Référence :** R1F105K13

**Chef de projet :** Juergen SACHAU

**Equipe de chercheurs :** Nicolas BOIZOT, Kenn SEBESTA

**Domaine de recherche :** Systems and Controls Engineering

**Partenaires :** Université de Bourgogne

**Durée du projet:** 2006-2009

**Résultats:** Reconstruction of non-measured data that is needed in order to apply an effective and precise control– namely the observation problem for the case of nonlinear systems. We focused on an observer called the Adaptive-gain Kalman Filter which proposes a trade off between robustness– the Extended Kalman Filter-- and fast convergence-- High-gain Kalman Filter. The mathematical proof of its properties and assessment of its performance in a realtime environment are essential to this study. Simulations and experimental tests, such as the control of motors, are also part of the development of the system. The study of nonlinear observers is profoundly linked to process modeling as the observability property depends on the process's mathematical model. In fact observers appear to be useful tools for modeling systems whose physical properties are not very well known or understood.

We also researched realtime control of electric motors in the domain of sustainable energies. Proper control of electric motors is essential to the modern needs of efficiency and performance in small packages. The research involved creation of a realtime laboratory, including communication and data analysis, and modeling of realtime systems, specifically high-efficiency, low-speed electric motors and generators that are well-adapted to wind turbines and electric vehicles. A case study involves the creation of a hybrid vehicle platform that, using GPS-based route planning, optimizes energy consumption over any given path.

**Intitulé du projet de recherche :** **INTRA: Information Traffic Management and Computer network Protection**

**Référence :** R1F 103T01

**Chef de projet :** Ulrich Sorger

**Equipe des chercheurs :** Foued Melakessou and Zdzislaw Suchanecki

**Domaine de recherche :** Computer Science

**Durée du projet :** 01.03.2004 – 28.02.2007

**Résultats :** Among the results, for the reported period, is a description of the limiting behavior of transmission times. It was shown a predominant role of sub-exponential probability distributions. It was also given a qualitative explanation for the common appearance of long tails, long-range dependencies and self-similarity. An elaborated network traffic simulator has been used to the study of dependencies between network topology and routing protocols, and the efficiency of data transmission. A network topology generator has been developed on top of Scilab in respect with the Internet characteristics based on real measurements. It was also designed a new transmission protocol that increasing the routes diversity allows to avoid the weakness of TCP and UDP, and results in better congestions, smoothed traffic, and more secure connections.

**Intitulé du projet de recherche: Advanced Argumentation Services for Trust Management (AASTM)**

**Référence :** R1F107K30

**Chef de projet :** Prof Dr Leon van der Torre

**Equipe des chercheurs :** Dr Martin Caminada

**Domaine de recherche :** Informatique

**Durée du projet :** 2007-2009

**Résultats :** Since the start of the project (August 2007) the work has focussed on the fundamental theory of formal argumentation.

- Caminada introduces proof procedures for semi-stable semantics at the ECSQARU 2007 conference.
- Caminada introduces a credulous unique extension semantics at the BNAIC 2007 conference.
- A publication by Caminada on discussion games under the stable argumentation semantics is expected to be submitted before the end of 2007.
- A formal analysis of preference-based argumentation has appeared in a publication at ECSQARU 2007 by Kaci, van der Torre and Weydert.

**Intitulé du projet de recherche: e-FSTC – Conception et expérimentation d’un dispositif de formation Learning pour les enseignements de la Faculté des Sciences, de la Technologie et de la Communication de l’Université du Luxembourg.**

**Référence:** R1F105K21

**Chef de projet:** Denis ZAMPUNIERIS

**Equipe des chercheurs:** Salim BOULAKFOUF, Nicolas CASEL, Damien GAROT, Elvira

**Domaine de recherche:** KACHAFOUTDINOVA, Gaetan PECORARO,  
e-Learning  
**Durée du projet:** 2005.10.01 – 2008.09.30  
**Résultats :** Cfr. le site web de la cellule : <http://cicel.uni.lu>

**Intitulé du projet de recherche : QUATTROPOLE e-Learning**

**Référence:** RAQUATRO  
**Chef de projet:** Prof. Denis ZAMPUNIERIS  
**Equipe des chercheurs:** Salim BOULAKFOUF, Alain GERARD  
**Domaine de recherche:** e-Learning  
**Durée du projet:** 2004.01.01 - 2008.12.31  
**Partenaires: -** Villes de QuattroPole (Luxembourg, Metz, Sarrebruck et Trèves)  
Ministère de l'Education Nationale, G-D. Luxembourg  
**Résultats:** La plateforme e-Learning d'apprentissage du luxembourgeois est disponible en ligne gratuitement à l'adresse <http://www.elearning.lu>



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Co-program Chair (together with Prof. S.Mauw) of the 2nd Benelux Workshop on Information and System Security (WISSEC) in Luxembourg, 2007. There were about 40 participants and 19 presentations, mainly from Benelux, France, Germany.

International CRYPTO'2007 conference, University of California, Santa-Barbara, US.

International ASIACRYPT'2007 conference, Sarawak, Malaysia.

10th International Conference on Information Security and Cryptology (ICISC'07), Seoul, Korea.

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<p><b>Support Technique</b></p> <p>Danièle Thielen</p> <p>Alain Gérard</p> <p>Gilbert Klein</p> <p>Gaëtan Pecoraro</p> <p><b>Total: 4</b></p>	<p><b>Support Technique</b></p> <p>Alain Gérard</p> <p>Gilbert Klein</p> <p>Gaëtan Pecoraro</p> <p><b>Total: 3</b></p>

<p><b>Admin. 2007</b></p> <p>Ragga Eyjolfsdottir</p>	<p><b>Admin. 2006</b></p> <p>Mireille Kies</p>
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Danièle Flammang	Magali Martin
Mireille Kies	
Magali Martin	
Stefanie Östlund	
<b>Total:5</b>	<b>Total :2</b>

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	<b>2006</b>	<b>2007</b>
Books	2	3
Journal Articles /Book Chapters	12	21
Conference Proceedings/ Workshops & Other	84	128
<b>Total publications</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>152</b>
Professeurs	13	15
Ass Profs	3	6
Collaborateurs Scientific	4	6
PhDs (including BFRs)	43	58
Collaborateurs Technique	3	5
Support Technique	3	5
Admin	5	2
Support	3	5
<b>Total staff CSC</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>111</b>