# Ben Nassi, PhD

## Curriculum Vitae

(+972) 54-9220091 Image: massiben5@gmail.com

Image: My Webpage

in Linkedin



# Academic Background

- 2/2023 Postdoc, Cornell Tech, New-York, USA.
- 2/2024 Hosted by Prof. Thomas Ristenpart
- 8/2021 Postdoc, Software & Information Systems Eng., Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Israel,
  - 1/2023 Robustness of Artificial Intelligence.
- 10/2016- Ph.D. in Software & Information Systems Eng., Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Israel,
  - 7/2021 Security and Privacy in the IoT Era (Advised by Prof. Yuval Elovici).
- 10/2013- M.Sc. in Software & Information Systems Eng., Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Israel,
- 7/2015 Intoxication Detection Using Internet of Wearable Things (Advised by Prof. Yuval Elovici).
- 10/2009- **B.Sc. in Computer Science**, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Israel.
- 3/2013 Magna Cum Laude

# Professional Experience

## Cyber @ BGU

- 2023 **Project Manager**, Robustness of Object Detectors (with Fujitsu).
- 2022 **Project Manager**, Al Watermarking (with Fujitsu).
- 2021 **Project Manager**, Non-projector phantom attacks (with Toshiba).
- 2020 **Project Manager**, Phantom Attacks against Autonomous Cars (with Toshiba).
- 2019 **Project Manager**, New threats created by drones (with Fujitsu).
- 2018 **Project Manager**, IoT Attack Scenarios based on IoT Future Vision (with Fujitsu).

Google, Tel-Aviv

2016 **SWE Internship**, Google Cloud.

Deutsche Telekom Innovation Labs @ BGU

- 2015 **Project Manager**, Security of SCADA systems.
- 2012-2014 Researcher, Counting Pedestrians in Streets Based on call data records.

#### Publications

## In Conference Proceedings

- 2024 Ben Nassi, Etay Iluz, Or Cohen, Ofek Vayner, Dudi Nassi, Boris Zadov, and Yuval Elovici. Video-based cryptanalysis: Extracting cryptographic keys from video footage of a device's power led. In 45th IEEE Symposium on Security and Privacy, SP 2024, San Francisco, CA, USA, 20-24 May 2024. IEEE, 2024.
- 2024 Andres Fabrega, Carolina Ortega Perez, Armin Namavari, Ben Nassi, Rachit Agarwal, and Tom Ristenpart. Injection Attacks Against End-to-End Encrypted Applications. In 45th IEEE Symposium on Security and Privacy, SP 2024, San Francisco, CA, USA, 20-24 May 2024. IEEE, 2024.

- 2023 Ben Nassi, Ofek Vayner, Etay Iluz, Dudi Nassi, Or Hai Cohen, Jan Jancar, Daniel Genkin, Eran Tromer, Boris Zadov, and Yuval Elovici. Optical cryptanalysis: Recovering cryptographic keys from power led light fluctuations. In CCS '23: 2023 ACM SIGSAC Conference on Computer and Communications Security. ACM, 2023.
- 2022 **Ben Nassi**, Yaron Pirutin, Raz Swissa, Adi Shamir, Yuval Elovici, and Boris Zadov. Lamphone: Passive Sound Recovery from a Desk Lamp's Light Bulb Vibrations. In *31st USENIX Security Symposium (USENIX Security 22)*, Boston, MA, August 2022. USENIX Association.
- 2021 **Ben Nassi**, Yaron Pirutin, Tomer Cohen Galor, Yuval Elovici, and Boris Zadov. Glowworm Attack: Optical TEMPEST Sound Recovery via a Device's Power Indicator LED. In *CCS '21:* 2021 ACM SIGSAC Conference on Computer and Communications Security, Virtual Event, Republic of Korea, November 15 19, 2021, pages 1900–1914. ACM, 2021.
- 2021 **Ben Nassi**, Ron Bitton, Ryusuke Masuoka, Asaf Shabtai, and Yuval Elovici. SoK: Security and Privacy in the Age of Commercial Drones. In **42nd IEEE Symposium on Security and Privacy**, SP 2021, San Francisco, CA, USA, 24-27 May 2021, pages 1434–1451. IEEE, 2021.
- 2021 Ben Nassi, Raz Ben-Netanel, Adi Shamir, and Yuval Elovici. Game of Drones Detecting Spying Drones Using Time Domain Analysis. In Cyber Security Cryptography and Machine Learning 5th International Symposium, CSCML 2021, Be'er Sheva, Israel, July 8-9, 2021, Proceedings, volume 12716 of Lecture Notes in Computer Science, pages 128–144. Springer, 2021.
- 2020 **Ben Nassi**, Yisroel Mirsky, Dudi Nassi, Raz Ben-Netanel, Oleg Drokin, and Yuval Elovici. Phantom of the ADAS: Securing Advanced Driver-Assistance Systems from Split-Second Phantom Attacks. In *CCS '20:* **2020 ACM SIGSAC Conference on Computer and Communications Security**, Virtual Event, USA, November 9-13, 2020, pages 293–308. ACM, 2020.
- 2019 Ben Nassi, Raz Ben-Netanel, Adi Shamir, and Yuval Elovici. Drones' Cryptanalysis Smashing Cryptography with a Flicker. In 2019 IEEE Symposium on Security and Privacy, SP 2019, San Francisco, CA, USA, May 19-23, 2019, pages 1397–1414. IEEE, 2019.
  Journal & Magazine Articles
- 2023 **Ben Nassi**, Yisroel Mirsky, Jacob Shams, Raz Ben-Netanel, Dudi Nassi, and Yuval Elovici. Protecting autonomous cars from phantom attacks. *Commun. ACM*, volume 66, page 56–69. Association for Computing Machinery, mar 2023.
- 2022 Ben Nassi, Jacob Shams, Lior Rokach, and Yuval Elovici. Virtual Breathalyzer: Towards the Detection of Intoxication Using Motion Sensors of Commercial Wearable Devices. Sensors, volume 22, 2022.
- 2022 **B. Nassi**, Y. Pirutin, J. Shams, R. Swissa, Y. Elovici, and B. Zadov. Optical speech recovery from desktop speakers. *Computer*, volume 55, pages 40–51. **IEEE Computer Society**, nov 2022.
- 2022 Barak Davidovich, **Ben Nassi**, and Yuval Elovici. Towards the Detection of GPS Spoofing Attacks against Drones by Analyzing Camera's Video Stream. *Sensors*, volume 22, page 2608, 2022.
- 2021 Raz Ben-Netanel, **Ben Nassi**, Adi Shamir, and Yuval Elovici. Detecting Spying Drones. *IEEE*Secur. Priv., volume 19, pages 65–73, 2021.
- 2019 **Ben Nassi**, Adi Shamir, and Yuval Elovici. Xerox Day Vulnerability. *IEEE Trans. Inf. Forensics Secur.*, volume 14, pages 415–430, 2019.
- 2018 Alona Levy, Ben Nassi, Yuval Elovici, and Erez Shmueli. Handwritten Signature Verification Using Wrist-Worn Devices. Proc. ACM Interact. Mob. Wearable Ubiquitous Technol., volume 2, pages 119:1–119:26, 2018.

#### Workshops

- 2023 **Ben Nassi**, Ras Swissa, Yuval Elovici, and Boris Zadov. The little seal bug: Optical sound recovery from lightweight reflective objects. In *WOOT '23: 17th IEEE Workshop on Offensive Technologies*. IEEE, 2023.
- 2023 Dudi Biton, Aditi Misra, Efrat Levy, Jaidip Kotak, Ron Bitton, Roei Schuster, Nicolas Papernot, Yuval Elovici, and Ben Nassi. The adversarial implications of variable-time inference. In Proceedings of the 16th ACM Workshop on Artificial Intelligence and Security (AISec '23), 2023.
- 2022 **Ben Nassi**, Jacob Shams, Raz Ben-Netanel, and Yuval Elovici. badvertisement: Attacking advanced driver-assistance systems using print advertisements. In *IEEE European Symposium on Security and Privacy, EuroS&P 2022 Workshops, Genoa, Italy, June 6-10, 2022*, pages 376–383. IEEE, 2022.
- 2022 Barak Davidovich, **Ben Nassi**, and Yuval Elovici. Visas—detecting gps spoofing attacks against drones by analyzing camera's video stream. In *Workshop on Automotive and Autonomous Vehicle Security (AutoSec)*, volume 2022, page 25, 2022.
- 2021 **Ben Nassi**, Dudi Nassi, Raz Ben-Netanel, and Yuval Elovici. Spoofing Mobileye 630's Video Camera Using a Projector. In *Workshop on Automotive and Autonomous Vehicle Security* (AutoSec), volume 2021, page 25, 2021.
- 2021 **Ben Nassi**, Aviel Levy, Yaron Pirutin, Asaf Shabtai, Ryusuke Masuoka, and Yuval Elovici. ReDrold: Remote Drone Identification Based on Visual RSA SecurID Tokens. In *2021 International Conference on Electrical, Computer, Communications and Mechatronics Engineering (ICECCME)*, pages 1–9. IEEE, 2021.

#### In Peer Review & Preparation

- 2024 **Ben Nassi**. When photodiodes meet power leds of low-power devices: Speech eavesdropping and cryptographic keys recovery from a device's power led. *Submitted to Communications of the ACM*, 2024.
- 2024 **Ben Nassi**, Stav Cohen, and Ron Bitton. Compromptmized: Unleashing zero-click worms that target genai-powered applications. 2024.
- 2024 Jacob Shams, Ben Nassi, Ikuya Morikawa, Toshiya Shimizu, Asaf Shabtai, and Yuval Elovici. Seeds don't lie: An adaptive watermarking framework for computer vision models. Submitted to CCS 24, 2024.
- 2024 Armin Namavari, Barry Wang, Sanketh Menda **Ben Nassi**, Nirvan Tyagi, James Grimmelmann, Amy Zhang, and Thomas Ristenpart. Private hierarchical governance for encrypted messaging. *Submitted to SP'24*, 2024.
- 2024 Andres Fabrega, Carolina Ortega Perez, Armin Namavari, **Ben Nassi**, Rachit Agarwal, and Tom Ristenpart. Injection attacks against password managers. Submitted to USENIX'2024, 2024.

## Additional Talks

- 2024 **Real World Crypto (RWC'24)**, *Toronto, Canada*, Extracting Secret Keys from a Device's Power LED using COTS Video Cameras..
- 2023 **BlackHat Europe 23**, *London, UK*, Indirect Prompt Injection into LLMs using Images and Sounds.
- 2023 **SecTor 23**, *Toronto, Canada*, Video-Based Cryptanalysis: Recovering Cryptographic Keys from Non-compromised Devices Using Video Footage of a Device's Power LED.
- 2023 **DEFCON 31**, *Las-Vegas*, *USA*, Video-Based Cryptanalysis: Recovering Cryptographic Keys from Non-compromised Devices Using Video Footage of a Device's Power LED.
- 2023 **BlackHat USA 23**, *Las-Vegas*, *USA*, Video-Based Cryptanalysis: Recovering Cryptographic Keys from Non-compromised Devices Using Video Footage of a Device's Power LED.

- 2023 CyberWeek 23, Security and Safety in the Era of Autonomous Cars, TAU, Israel.
- **BlackHat Asia 22**, *Singapore*, The Little Seal Bug: Optical Sound Recovery from Lightweight Reflective Objects.
- 2022 Al Week 22, Remote Split-second Phantom Attacks on Al of Semi & full Autonomous Cars.
- 2021 HITB+CyberWeek 21, UAE, Towards Eletro-Optical Sound Eavesdropping.
- **SecTor 21**, Canada, Detecting Illicit Drone Filming.
- 2021 SecTor 21, Canada, Ghost Misdetection Attacks Against Tesla Model X & Mobileye 630 PRO.
- **Car Hacking Village @ DEFCON 29**, *USA*, Remote Adversarial Phantom Attacks on Tesla & Mobileye.
- **RSA Conference 21**, *USA*, Securing Tesla & Mobileye from Split-Second Phantom Attacks.
- **BlackHat Asia 21**, The Motion Sensor Western: The Good (Automatic Functionality Support), the Bad (Security Risks to Devices), and the Ugly (Privacy Risks to Individuals).
- 2020 CodeBlue 20, Japan, Drones Cryptanalysis: Detecting Spying Drones.
- **CodeBlue 20**, *Japan*, Lamphone: Real Time Passive Sound Recovery from Vibration of a Hanging Light Bulb.
- **SecTor 20**, *Canada*, Lamphone: Real Time Passive Sound Recovery from Vibration of a Hanging Light Bulb.
- **BlackHat 20**, *USA*, Lamphone: Real Time Passive Sound Recovery from Vibration of a Hanging Light Bulb.
- **CyberTech TLV 20**, Phantom of the ADAS.
- **RSA Conference 20**, *USA*, Air-Gapping Is Overrated: Pressing a Red-Button via a Multifunction Printer.
- 2018 IoT Village @ DEFCON 26, USA, Attacking Smart Irrigation Systems.

#### Invited Seminars

- **Seminar @ CS, Boston University**, *USA*, Extracting Secret Keys from a Device's Power LED using COTS Video Cameras..
- **Seminar @ CS, MIT**, *USA*, Extracting Secret Keys from a Device's Power LED using COTS Video Cameras..
- **Seminar @ CS, Stanford**, *USA*, Video-Based Cryptanalysis: Recovering Cryptographic Keys from Non-compromised Devices Using Video Footage of a Device's Power LED.
- **Seminar @ CISPA**, *Germany*, Video-Based Cryptanalysis: Recovering Cryptographic Keys from Non-compromised Devices Using Video Footage of a Device's Power LED.
- **Seminar @ CS, Columbia University**, *USA*, When Optical Sensors Meet Low-Power Devices: Recovering Speech and Cryptographic Keys from Light Emitted from Power LEDs and Light Bulbs.
- **Seminar @ CS, HUJI**, *Israel*, When Optical Sensors Meet Low-Power Devices: Recovering Speech and Cryptographic Keys from Light Emitted from Power LEDs and Light Bulbs.
- **Seminar @ EE, Tel-Aviv University**, *Israel*, When Optical Sensors Meet Low-Power Devices: Recovering Speech and Cryptographic Keys from Light Emitted from Power LEDs and Light Bulbs.
- **Seminar @ CE Club, Technion**, *Israel*, Finding Darkness in the Light: Recovering Speech and Cryptographic keys from Light Emitted from Power LEDs and Light Bulbs..
- **Seminar @ Michigan State University**, Towards Electro-optical Sound Eavesdropping.
- **Seminar @ Cornell Tech**, Towards Electro-optical Sound Eavesdropping.
- **Seminar @ Ben-Gurion University of the Negev**, Security & Privacy in the IoT Era.

- 2021 8th Privacy, Cyber and Technology Workshop, Detecting A Drone's Illicit Video Streaming.
- 2020 **Seminar @ HUJI**, Phantom of the ADAS.

#### Patents

#### Granted

- 2021 **Ben Nassi**, Adi Shamir, and Yuval Elovici. Analyzing radio transmission for detecting whether a drone is filming a point of interest. 2021.
- 2019 **Ben Nassi**, Yuval Elovici, Erez Shmueli, and Alona Levy. A method for online signature verification using wrist-worn devices. 2019.

#### Pending

2023 Ben Nassi, Yuval Elovici, Yisroel Avraham Mirsky, Dudi Nassi, and Raz Ben Nethanel. Methods for detecting phantom projection attacks against computer vision algorithms. 2023.

# Fellowships & Awards

- 2023 Pwnie Award for The Best Cryptographic Attack of 2023 for Video-based Cryptanalysis
- 2023 Viterbi Fellowship for Nurturing Future Faculty Members (by ECE, Technion).
- 2023 Tim Höttges Award in Cybersecurity Research for Optical Cryptanalysis \$2,500
- 2022 **Urban Tech Hub Fellowship** for postdoctoral researchers, Jacobs Technion-Cornell Institute, Cornell Tech.
- 2022 BGU Dean Award for excellence in Ph.D, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
- 2021 Best Demo Award for Phantom of the ADAS by AutoSec'21
- 2020 Runner up for Pwnie Award for The Most Innovative Research 2020 for Lamphone
- 2020 Runner up for Pwnie Award for The Most Epic Achievement 2020 for Lamphone
- 2020 Runner up for **CSAW'20** for Lamphone
- 2020 Runner up for CSAW'20 for Phantom of the ADAS
- 2019 Runner up for CSAW'19 for Drones Cryptanalysis
- 2018 –2021 Mid. Way Negev-Faran Scholarship for Excellence Ph.D Program, Kreitman School of Advanced Graduate Studies, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev.

## Professional Activity

- 2024 Review Board in BlackHat-Asia 2024, Singapore.
- 2023 Review Board in BlackHat-Europe 2023, London, England.
- 2023 PC Member in Workshop On Offensive Technologies (WOOT) 2023, San Francisco, USA
- 2023 PC Member in *The ACM Conference on Computer and Communications Security (CCS)* 2023, Copenhagen, Denmark.
- 2023 Review Board in BlackHat-Asia 2023, Singapore.
- 2022 Review Board in BlackHat-Europe 2022, London, England.
- 2022 **PC Member** in *The ACM Conference on Computer and Communications Security (CCS)* 2022, Los Angeles, USA.
- 2022 PC Member in Fourth International Workshop on Automotive and Autonomous Vehicle Security (AutoSec) 2022, San Diego, USA.
- 2020 **Student PC Member** in *IEEE Symposium on Security and Privacy* **2020**, San-Francisco, USA.
- 2019 **Student PC Member** in *IEEE Symposium on Security and Privacy* **2019**, San-Francisco, USA.

### Media Attention

- TV Interviews & Podcasts London & Kirshenbaum, Lama Cyber-1?, Lama Cyber-2?
- **Video-based Cryptanalysis** was covered by *ArsTechnica*, *Forbes*, *The Hacker News*, *The Byte*, *HackRead*, *Hackster*, *Kaspersky*,
- Lamphone was covered by Forbes, Wired, Fox News, India Times, Kaspersky Daily, Threat Post, The Hacker News, ZDNet Security Affairs, GB Hackers, Popular Mechanics, Digital Trends, Saudi Expatriate, Hack Read, PC Mag, Naked Security
- Drones Cryptanalysis was covered by Wired, Eurek Alert, Globes, JPost, Science Daily, Science News Explores, Ynet
- Phantom of the ADAS was covered by Wired, Ars Technica, Kaspersky Daily, Popular Mechanics, The Next Web, Threat Post, Security Affairs, Car and Driver, Jpost, Driving, Bank Info Security, Tech Xplore, Interesting Engineering,
- The Glowworm Attack was covered by Forbes, Ars Technica, Threat Post, The Hacker News, All About Circuits, Review Geek, Security Affairs, Exec Security, Interesting Engineering, Commercial Integrator, Gizmodo, AV Magazine
- **Virtual Breathalyzer** was covered by *Mirror*, *Insider*, *The Christian Science Monitor*, *The Times of Israel*, *No Camels*, *Vocativ*.
- **Piping Botnet** was covered by *Motherboard*, *MIT Technology Review*, *Security Affairs*, *We Live Security*, *Security Week*, *MSSP Alert*.
- The Little Seal Bug Attack was covered by Wired, Top Tech, The Shock News, Global News
- **Xerox Day Vulnerability** was covered by *Motherboard*, *Communication of the ACM*, *Phys*, *Science Daily No Camels*

# Teaching Assistantship

- Spring, 2021 Introduction to network and computer security, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev.
- Spring, 2020 Introduction to network and computer security, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev.
- Spring, 2019 Introduction to network and computer security, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev.
- Spring, 2018 Introduction to network and computer security, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev.

## Advising

#### M.Sc. Students

- 2021-Present Ofek Vayner, Optical Cryptanalysis: Recovering Secret Keys using a Photodiode.
- 2021-Present **Dudi Biton**, Timing Based Adversarial Attacks.
- 2021-Present Jacob Shams, Adaptive watermarking framework for neural networks.
- 2021-Present *Elad Feldman*, Securing advanced driving assistance systems from epileptic syndrome.
  - 2020-2022 Barak Davidovich, Detecting GPS spoofing attacks against drones via video stream analysis.
  - 2019-2021 Raz Ben Netanel, Detecting illicit video filming.

## **Undergraduate Students**

- 2021-Present **Etay Iluz**, Video-based Cryptanalysis: Recovering Secret Keys using Video Cameras.
- 2020-Present Raz Swissa, Real Time Passive Sound Recovery from Shiny Lightweight Objects.
  - 2020 **Dudi Nassi**, Phantom attacks on autonomous cars.
  - 2019-2021 Yaron Pirutin, Real Time Passive Sound Recovery from Vibration of a Hanging Light Bulb.
  - 2018-2020 **Aviel Levy**, Remote Optical Drone Authentication.
  - 2018-2020 Idan Sokolovsky, Real Time Passive Sound Recovery from Vibration of a Privacy Shield.
  - 2017-2018 David Hirschman, Real Time Passive Sound Recovery from Vibration of a Privacy Shield.
  - 2017-2018 Hido Cohen, Biological Covert Channels.

- 2017-2018 Moshe Sror, Cyberattacks against commercial smart irrigation systems.
  - High-School Students (Magshimim Project)
  - 2021 **Tomer Galor**, Real Time Passive Sound Recovery from a Device's Power Indicator LED.
  - 2019 Ruslan Veremyenko, Cyberattacks against commercial smart irrigation systems.
  - 2018 Roei Cohen, Security of Drones.
  - 2018 Ido Lavi, Cyberattacks against commercial smart irrigation systems.
  - 2017 Aviv Barel, Establishing a Covert Channel via MFP.