

# Alessandro Puccetti

PRINCIPAL DATA PLATFORM ENGINEER

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“Choose a job you love and you will never work a day in your life.”

## Summary

Currently Principal Data Platform Engineer at Huq Industries. My main focus is to ensure reliability 24/7 of our data pipelines and customer facing products. I lead the data scraping effort to collect data at scale for our enrichment data pipelines.

I have extensive experience with many Google Cloud Platform products such as: BigQuery, Cloud Composer, Cloud Workflows, Cloud Storage, and IAM. Also, I have vast experience in building products using dbt, Terraform, Google Datastudio, and Docker.

## Skills

<b>Cloud</b>	Google Cloud Platform, AWS, Terraform Cloud, GitHub Actions, Scrapy Cloud
<b>Tools</b>	BigQuery, Cloud Workflows, Cloud Composer, dbt, Apache Airflow, Scrapy, Docker
<b>Programming</b>	SQL, Python, Terraform, LaTeX, C
<b>Languages</b>	Italian (mother tongue), English (close to native)

## Work Experience

### Huq Industries

London, United Kingdom

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Jul. 2017 - Now

- Lead the company data infrastructure design and development.
- Bring to production client data products.
- Infrastructure cost optimization.
- Design and development of data governance.
- Design and development of our data scraping system.
- Liaison clients to best access and use our products.

### Kinvolk

Berlin, Germany

SOFTWARE ENGINEER

Apr. 2016 - Jun. 2017

- Contributed and participated in discussion to improve open source project such as: rkt, systemd, and Weave Scope.
- Worked on Weave Scope monitor plugins using eBPF for fast and lightweight in kernel network measurements.
- Got experience with Kubernetes and OpenShift.

### SecLab - University of California, Santa Barbara

Santa Barbara, United States

RESEARCH ASSOCIATE

Mar. 2015 - Aug. 2015

- Worked on a project to identify privacy information leakages from network traffic in mobile phone application.
- Co-authored the paper “Obfuscation-Resilient Privacy Leak Detection for Mobile Apps Through Differential Analysis” presented at NDSS2017
- Contributed to organize and run the iCTF, DARPA challenge on finding vulnerabilities on Android mobile application, and DEFCON CTF.
- Participated to the DARPA Challenge discovering vulnerabilities and/or privacy leakage in mobile applications.

## Presentation

### GDG Cloud London Meetup

London, United Kingdom

“GOOGLE BIGQUERY A DATA JOURNEY”

Aug. 2019

- Introduce Google BigQuery using Huq Industries experience with geospatial big data.
- Outline why we chose BigQuery over other solutions.
- Hands-on example using BigQuery UI.

### GDG Cloud London Meetup

London, United Kingdom

“CLOUD COMPOSER - THE SHORT-LIVING TASKS ANNIHILATION”

Aug. 2019

- Introduce Apache Airflow and Google Cloud Composer.
- Introduce the issue of having many short-living tasks.
- Show a solution to mitigate the problem.

### LinuxCon Europe

Berlin, Germany

“BUILDING CONTAINER IMAGES”

Oct. 2016

- A hands-on presentation on how to build container images with different tools.

- Firsthand experience entering the systemd development community and introduction to newest systemd V231 features.

## Education

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### University of Pisa

*Pisa, Italy*

M.ENG. IN COMPUTER SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING

*2011 - 2015*

- Thesis: Design and development of an active probing technique to validate the "source IP address" header field in a live stream of IP packets.
- Visiting grad student at CAIDA (Center for Applied Internet Data Analysis) at the University of California, San Diego.

### University of Pisa

*Pisa, Italy*

B.ENG. IN COMPUTER SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING

*2006 - 2011*

- Thesis: Performance evaluation of an algorithm for dynamic management wireless channels in ad-hoc networks.

## Extracurricular Activity

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### Python 101 for high school

*La Spezia, Italy*

LECTURER

*Mar. 2016 - Apr. 2016*

- Taught fundamental programming using Python to students at the High School Antonio Pacinotti, La Spezia, Italy.

### CAIDA, Center for Applied Internet Data Analysis

*San Diego, California, United States*

VISITING GRAD STUDENT

*Mar. 2015 - Aug. 2015*

- Worked on my Master Thesis on internet measurements and IP address validation as part of the "IODA – Detection and Analysis of large-scale Internet infrastructure Outages", project funded by NSF.

## Publications

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### Obfuscation-Resilient Privacy Leak Detection for Mobile Apps Through Differential Analysis

*NDSS Symposium 2017*

CO-AUTHOR

*March. 2017*

- Published at NDSS Symposium 2017.
- [Publication link.](#)