

# Apurva Virkud

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## EDUCATION

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**University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign** Aug. 2022 - present  
PhD Computer Science  
Advisors: Prof. Adam Bates, Prof. Gang Wang  
Research Interests: Security, Privacy, Internet Measurement

**University of Michigan** Sept. 2016 - May 2020  
BSE Computer Science

## RESEARCH

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**University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign** | Computer Science Aug. 2022 - present  
Research Advisor: Prof. Adam Bates, Prof. Gang Wang  
*Graduate Research Assistant*, Projects: [P1](#), [A1](#)

**University of Michigan** | Computer Science and Engineering Dec. 2019 - Jul. 2022  
Ensafi Lab | Research Advisor: Prof. Roya Ensafi  
*Research Associate* (11/2020 - 07/2022), *Research Assistant* (02/2020 - 10/2020)  
Projects: [P2](#), [P3](#), [P4](#), [A2](#), [C1](#), [C2](#), [C3](#)

**Michigan Medicine** | Radiology Oct. 2018 - Jul. 2020  
Computer Aided Diagnosis Lab | Research Advisor: Prof. Lubomir Hadjiyski  
*Computer Operator*, Projects: [A4](#), [P5](#), [A3](#), [P6](#)

**UM Transportation Research Institute** | Engineering Systems Jan. 2019 - Apr. 2020  
Research Advisor: Sam Lauzon  
*Research Assistant*, Projects: [A5](#)

**Life Sciences Institute** Sept. 2016 - Oct. 2017  
Shawn Xu Lab | Research Advisor: Dr. Adam Iliff  
*Research Assistant*, Projects: [A6](#)

## PUBLICATIONS

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- P1 **How do Endpoint Detection Products Make Use of MITRE ATT&CK?**  
**Apurva Virkud**, M. Adil Inam, Andy Riddle, Jason Liu, Gang Wang, Adam Bates  
In Submission, 2023
- P2 **Network Responses to Russia's Invasion of Ukraine in 2022: A Cautionary Tale for Internet Freedom**  
Reethika Ramesh, Ram Sundara Raman, **Apurva Virkud**, Alexandra Dirksen, Armin Huremagic, David Fifield, Dirk Rodenberg, Rod Hynes, Doug Madory, Roya Ensafi  
USENIX Security Symposium, Aug. 2023
- P3 **Advancing the Art of Censorship Data Analysis**  
Ram Sundara Raman, **Apurva Virkud**, Sarah Laplante, Vincius Fortuna, Roya Ensafi  
Free and Open Communications on the Internet (FOCI), Feb. 2023
- P4 **A Large-Scale Investigation into Geodifferences in Mobile Apps**  
Renuka Kumar, **Apurva Virkud**, Ram Sundara Raman, Atul Prakash, Roya Ensafi  
USENIX Security Symposium, Aug. 2022

P5 **Prediction of Disease Free Survival in Laryngeal and Hypopharyngeal Cancers Using CT Perfusion and Radiomic Features: A Pilot Study**

Sean Woolen, **Apurva Virkud**, Lubomir Hadjiiski, Kenny Cha, Heang-Ping Chan, Francis Worden, Paul Swiecicki, Ashok Srinivasan  
Tomography, Feb. 2021

P6 **Standardization in Quantitative Imaging: A Multicenter Comparison of Radiomic Features from Different Software Packages on Digital Reference Objects and Patient Data Sets**

Michael McNitt-Gray, et al.  
Tomography, Jun. 2020

## ABSTRACTS AND PRESENTATIONS

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A1 **Poster: How do Endpoint Detection Products Make Use of MITRE ATT&CK?**

**Apurva Virkud**, Muhammad Adil Inam, Andy Riddle, Gang Wang, Adam Bates.  
IEEE Symposium on Security and Privacy, May 2023

A2 **Censored Planet Community Webinar**

Roya Ensafi, Ram Sundara Raman, **Apurva Virkud**, Elisa Tsai, Armin Huremagic.  
Oct. 2021

A3 **Standardization in Quantitative Imaging: A Multi-Center Comparison of Radiomics Feature Values Obtained by Different Software Packages on Digital Reference Objects and Patient Datasets**

Michael McNitt-Gray\*, et al.  
\*RSNA, Dec. 2019

A4 **Exploratory Study for Identifying Predictors for Persistent Disease and Tumor Reoccurrence After Treatment of Head and Neck Cancers**

Sean Woolen\*, **Apurva Virkud**, Lubomir Hadjiiski, Kenny Cha, Heang-Ping Chan, Francis Worden, Paul Swiecicki, Ashok Srinivasan  
\*RSNA, Dec. 2019

A5 **Security Analysis of ADAS and Automated Driving Systems**

**Apurva Virkud\***, Sam Lauzon  
\*MEDC Internship Poster Reception, Apr. 2019  
\*MI ITS Annual Meeting, Sept. 2019

A6 **A low cost bio-imaging system incorporating machine learning algorithms for automatic analysis of animal behavior**

Adam Iloff\*, **Apurva Virkud\*\***, Shawn Xu  
\*International *C. elegans* Conference, Jun. 2017  
\*\*University of Michigan UROP Symposium, Apr. 2017

## OPEN-SOURCE

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C1 **GeoInspector**

<https://github.com/censoredplanet/geoinspector>  
Toolkit for measuring server-side blocking.

## C2 Censored Planet Analysis

<https://github.com/censoredplanet/censoredplanet-analysis>

Analysis pipeline for the Censored Planet data, developed in collaboration with Jigsaw.

## C3 geodiff-app

<https://github.com/censoredplanet/geodiff-app>

Measurement code to download data from Google Play.

## HONORS AND AWARDS

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| <b>Travel Grant</b> , Internet Measurement Conference                      | 2023 |
| <b>Student Poster Winner</b> , Michigan ITS Meeting                        | 2019 |
| <b>Regents Merit Scholarship</b> , University of Michigan                  | 2016 |
| <b>Tournament Scholarship</b> , Michigan Chess Association                 | 2016 |
| <b>National Master</b> , United States Chess Federation                    | 2014 |
| <b>National Girls Invitational Tournament Scholarship</b> , US Chess Trust | 2013 |

## ACTIVITIES

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| <b>Programming Committee</b> , YKB   | Sept. 2018 - Apr. 2020 |
| Organized educational workshops, performances, and other events related to social justice, including our annual monologue show (200+ attendees) and first professional panel (now annual). |                        |
| <b>Outreach Committee</b> , gEECS  | Jan. 2017 - Dec. 2017  |
| Organized an Arduino workshop for high school students.  |                        |

## OTHER EXPERIENCE

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| <b>Grader</b> , TO 630: New Age of Innovation | Fall 2018              |
| <b>Software Engineer Intern</b> , Uptake      | Jun. 2018 - Aug. 2018  |
| <b>Chess Instructor</b>                       | Sept. 2014 - Apr. 2020 |