Liz Izhikevich

RESEARCH OVERVIEW

My research brings a data-driven approach to understanding and improving the Internet's performance and security. I build systems that collect data about network, operator, and attacker behaviors. I use quantitative analysis, including rigorous statistics, on the data my systems collect to surface operational challenges and threats.

EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Computer Science, Stanford University	2018-2024
– Advisor: Zakir Durumeric	
M.S. in Computer Science, Stanford University	2023
M.S. in Computer Science, University of California, San Diego	2017 – 2018
– Thesis: "Building and Breaking Burst-Parallel Systems"	
B.S. in Computer Science, University of California, San Diego	2014 – 2017
– Minor: Mathematics.	

Positions

Netflix June 2023–Present

Graduate Research Fellow

- Collaborating with SpaceX-Starlink to improve the quality of experience for streaming via satellite Internet.

FELLOWSHIPS

Graduate Research Fellowship, National Science Foundation ("NSF GRFP")	2018
• Graduate Fellowship in Science and Engineering, Stanford University ("Stanford SGF")	2018
Awards	
• EECS Rising Star, International Recognition	2023
• Community Impact Award, Stanford University	2023
• Student Services Award, Stanford University Computer Science Department	2023

• Department Award for Excellence in Teaching, UC San Diego 2018

• Community Contribution Paper Award, ACM Internet Measurement Conference

2022

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Conference Proceedings

- [1] L. **Izhikevich**, M. Tran[†], K. Izhikevich[†], G. Akiwate, and Z. Durumeric, "Democratizing LEO Satellite Network Measurement", in *ACM SIGMETRICS/IFIP Performance*, 2024.
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- [5] M. Ziv[†], L. **Izhikevich**, K. Ruth, K. Izhikevich[†], and Z. Durumeric, "ASdb: A System for Classifying Owners of Autonomous Systems", in *Proceedings of the 21st ACM Internet Measurement Conference*, 2021.
- [6] J. Cable*†, D. Gregory*†, L. **Izhikevich***, and Z. Durumeric, "Stratosphere: Finding Vulnerable Cloud Storage Buckets", in *Proceedings of the 24th International Symposium on Research in Attacks*, *Intrusions and Defenses*, 2021.
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- [9] L. Ao, L. **Izhikevich**, G. M. Voelker, and G. Porter, "Sprocket: A Serverless Video Processing Framework", in *Proceedings of the Ninth ACM Symposium on Cloud Computing*, 2018.
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Books

[11] N. Moshiri and L. Izhikevich, Design and Analysis of Data Structures. 2016, ISBN: 978-1981017232.

Pre-Prints

- [12] L. **Izhikevich**, R. Teixeira, and Z. Durumeric, "Kronos: A System for Adaptively Tracking Internet Service Dynamics", *Under preparation to SIGCOMM*, 2024.
- [13] K. Izhikevich, G. Voelker, S. Savage, and L. **Izhikevich**, "Using Honeybuckets to Characterize Serverless Storage Scanning in the Wild", *Under submission to Euro S&P*, 2023. eprint: https://arxiv.org/abs/2312.00580.
- [14] L. **Izhikevich**, R. Gao, E. Peterson, and B. Voytek, "Measuring the average power of neural oscillations", bioRxiv, 2018. eprint: https://www.biorxiv.org/content/early/2018/10/13/441626.full.pdf.

Thesis

[15] L. **Izhikevich**, "Building and Breaking Burst-Parallel Systems", M.S. thesis, University of California, San Diego, 2018.

Professional Service

Professional Service	
Technical Program Committees	
• IEEE Security and Privacy	2023
• Internet Measurement Conference	2023-2024
• Symposium on Research in Attacks, Intrusions, and Defenses	2022-2023
• The Passive and Active Measurement Conference	2022
• IEEE Security and Privacy (External Reviewer)	2022
• USENIX Security (External Reviewer)	2019-2022
• Internet Measurement Conference (External Reviewer)	2019-2021
Department and University Service	
• Data Science Faculty Search Committee, Stanford University	2022-2023
• Ethics & Society Review of HAI Seed Grants Committee, Stanford University	2022
• Chair of Ph.D. Applicant Support Program, Stanford University	2021-2023
• Ph.D. Admissions Committee, Computer Science, Stanford University	2019–2022
Teaching	
• Instructional Assistant at Stanford University CS356: Topics in computer Networking and Security, https://cs356.stanford.edu/	Winter 2022
• Co-Creator/Co-Lecturer/Instructional Assistant at Stanford University CS249i: The Modern Internet, https://cs249i.stanford.edu/	Fall 2021
• Instructional Assistant/Discussion Section Leader at UC San Diego CSE100: Advanced Data Structures in C++, assisted 4 times and textbook author	Fall 2015–Winter 2017
• Instructional Assistant/Discussion Section Leader at UC San Diego CSE8B: Introduction to Programming in Java, Part 2	Spring 2017
• Instructional Assistant/Discussion Section Leader at UC San Diego CSE12: Introduction to Data Structures	Fall 2017
• Instructional Assistant/Discussion Section Leader at UC San Diego CSE8A: Introduction to Programming in Java, Part 1	Winter 2018
Mentoring	
(those who have published a peer-reviewed article as part of their independent study)	
• Manda Tran (M.S.)	2021–2023
• Anna Ascheman (B.S)	2022
• Briana Berger (B.S/M.S.)	2021-2022
• Spencer Drakontaidis (B.S.)	2021-2022

• Jack Cable (B.S.) 2020–2021

Drew Gregory (B.S.)
 Maya Ziv (M.S.)
 2020–2021

• Katherine Izhikevich (B.S/M.S.) 2018–Current

References

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