

# Chawin Sitawarin

*PhD Student, EECS Department at UC Berkeley  
Interested in Robustness and Machine Learning*

## Education

- 2018–present **PhD**, UC Berkeley, Berkeley CA.  
Advisor: Professor David Wagner | GPA 3.83
- 2014–2018 **BSE in Electrical Engineering (High Honor)**, Princeton University, Princeton NJ.  
Cumulative GPA: 3.90, Departmental GPA: 3.95 | Certificate in Applications of Computing

## Research Interests

- Robustness of Machine Learning
- Interpretable Machine Learning
- Adversarial Examples
- Security and Privacy of Data-Driven Applications

## Publications

- 2020 **Adversarial Examples for  $k$ -Nearest Neighbor Classifiers Based on Higher-Order Voronoi Diagrams**, C. Sitawarin, E. M. Kornaropoulos, D. Song, D. Wagner, Preprint, [arXiv:2011.09719](https://arxiv.org/abs/2011.09719).
- 2020 **Improving Adversarial Robustness Through Progressive Hardening**, C. Sitawarin, S. Chakraborty, D. Wagner, Preprint, [arXiv:2003.09347](https://arxiv.org/abs/2003.09347).
- 2020 **Minimum-Norm Adversarial Examples on KNN and KNN-Based Models**, C. Sitawarin, D. Wagner, Deep Learning and Security Workshop 2020 (co-located with IEEE S&P), [arXiv:2003.06559](https://arxiv.org/abs/2003.06559).
- 2019 **Analyzing the Robustness of Open-World Machine Learning**, V. Sehwal, A. N. Bhagoji, L. Song, C. Sitawarin, D. Cullina, M. Chiang, and P. Mittal, AISC 2019 (co-located with CCS), [Paper](https://arxiv.org/abs/1906.09525).
- 2019 **Defending Against Adversarial Examples with K-Nearest Neighbor**, C. Sitawarin, D. Wagner, Preprint, [arXiv:1906.09525](https://arxiv.org/abs/1906.09525).
- 2018 **On the Robustness of Deep  $k$ -Nearest Neighbors**, C. Sitawarin, D. Wagner, Deep Learning and Security Workshop 2019 (co-located with IEEE S&P), [arXiv:1903.08333](https://arxiv.org/abs/1903.08333).
- 2018 **Not All Pixels are Born Equal: An Analysis of Evasion Attacks under Locality Constraints**, V. Sehwal, C. Sitawarin, A. N. Bhagoji, A. Mosenia, M. Chiang, P. Mittal, CCS 2018 Poster, [dl](https://arxiv.org/abs/1801.02780).
- 2018 **Enhancing Robustness of Classifiers Against Adversarial Examples**, Undergraduate Thesis, Advisor: Professor Peter Ramadge.
- 2018 **DARTS: Deceiving Autonomous Cars with Toxic Signs**, C. Sitawarin, A. N. Bhagoji, A. Mosenia, M. Chiang, P. Mittal, Preprint, [arXiv:1802.06430](https://arxiv.org/abs/1802.06430).
- 2018 **Rogue signs: Deceiving traffic sign recognition with malicious ads and logos**, C. Sitawarin, A. N. Bhagoji, A. Mosenia, M. Chiang, P. Mittal, DLS Workshop 2018 (co-located with IEEE S&P), [arXiv:1801.02780](https://arxiv.org/abs/1801.02780).
- 2018 **Enhancing Robustness of Machine Learning System vis Data Transformations**, A. N. Bhagoji, D. Cullina, C. Sitawarin, P. Mittal, CISS 2018, [IEEE](https://arxiv.org/abs/1801.02780).
- 2018 **Inverse-designed photonic fibers and metasurfaces for nonlinear frequency conversion [Invited]**, C. Sitawarin, Z. Lin, W. Jin and A. W. Rodriguez, Photonics Research Vol. 6, Issue 5, pp. B82-B89, [OSA](https://arxiv.org/abs/1801.02780).
- 2017 **Beyond Grand Theft Auto V for Training, Testing and Enhancing Deep Learning in Self Driving Cars**, M. A. Martinez, C. Sitawarin, K. Finch, L. Meincke, A. Yablonski, A. Kornhauser, Preprint, [arXiv:1712.01397](https://arxiv.org/abs/1712.01397).

- 2016 **Inverse-designed nonlinear nanophotonic structures: Enhanced frequency conversion at the nano scale**, Z. Lin, C. Sitawarin, M. Lončar, A. W. Rodriguez, Conference on Lasers and Electro-Optics (CLEO) 2016, [OSA](#).

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## Other Experiences

- Fall 2020 **EECS Department, UC Berkeley, Berkeley CA**, Graduate student instructor.  
Part of the content development team for CS189/289A: Introduction to Machine Learning. Created homework problems and materials for the discussion sections and taught discussion sections.
- Summer 2019 **IBM Research, Yorktown Heights NY**, Summer research intern.  
Studied the effectiveness of existing defenses against adversarial examples from a perspective of concentration bound and improved adversarial training through optimization techniques. Mentored by Supriyo Chakraborty.
- Summer 2016 **Hong Kong Applied Science and Technology Research Institute (ASTRI), Hong Kong**, Summer intern in IC Digital Design team.  
Implemented image processing module written in C and Matlab using Vivado High-Level Synthesis tool, and evaluated its efficiency compared to human-written RTL code.
- 2015–2016 **Princeton University, Princeton NJ**, Lab TA and Grader.  
Contemporary Logic Design Lab Teaching Assistant (Fall 2016), Information Security Grader (Fall 2016), Algorithms and Data Structures Grader (Spring 2016), General Computer Science Grader (Fall 2015).

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## Awards & Honors

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| 2018 | <b>Phi Beta Kappa</b>                        | <i>Academic Honor Society</i>  |
| 2018 | <b>Sigma Xi</b>                              | <i>Scientific Research Honor Society</i>   |
| 2017 | <b>The P. Michael Lion III Fund</b>          | <i>Summer research funding for Princeton engineering students</i>                          |
| 2016 | <b>Tau Beta Pi</b>                           | <i>Engineering Honor Society</i>   |
| 2016 | <b>Shapiro Prize for Academic Excellence</b> | <i>Academic award at Princeton University</i>  |
| 2013 | <b>King's Scholarship</b>                    | <i>Prestigious scholarship awarded by Thai government for pursuing a bachelor's degree</i> |

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## Activities

- 2018–present **CSGSA, Treasurer**, Computer Science Graduate Student Assembly at UC Berkeley.
- 2018–2019 **Security Seminar, Organizer**, Organize a biweekly lunch seminar on security and privacy at UC Berkeley, hosting outside speakers from both industry and academia.
- 2016–2017 **THAIgers, Co-President**, Princeton Thai Student Association.

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## Relevant Coursework

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| - Optimization                  | - Statistical Learning Theory |
| - Deep Unsupervised Learning    | - Deep Reinforcement Learning |
| - Computer Security and Privacy | - Computer Vision             |
| - Computer Networks             |                               |