Abstract:

The California Consumer Privacy Act (CCPA), which went into effect in 2020, was designed to enhance Internet privacy by giving consumers more control of their personal information. In this talk, I will describe work my group has done to measure how companies comply with CCPA—in particular, how they implement the right to opt-out of sale—and to evaluate how common implementation choices impact consumer privacy. I will also discuss steps that computer scientists might take to enhance Internet privacy after CCPA.

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