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## Highlights

- Four years of industrial research and software development experience at BlackBerry and Synopsys.
- Publications in flagship venues: 3 EMSE, 1 ICSE (already adopted in industry).
- Cross-disciplinary background in Computer Science and Electronics Engineering.
- Research interests: software engineering, software log mining, software performance engineering, mining software repositories, qualitative/quantitative analysis of software data, software load testing, and software test automation.

## Publications in Flagship Venues (Full Papers)

- [Heng Li](#), Weiyi Shang, Ahmed E. Hassan. *Which log level should developers choose for a new logging statement?* **Empirical Software Engineering Journal (EMSE)**, 2017. (Impact Factor 3.275; h5-index 42).
- [Heng Li](#), Weiyi Shang, Ying Zou, Ahmed E Hassan. *Towards Just-in-time Suggestions for Log Changes.* **Empirical Software Engineering Journal (EMSE)**, 2017. (Impact Factor 3.275; h5-index 42).
- [Heng Li](#), Tse-Hsun (Peter) Chen, Weiyi Shang, and Ahmed E. Hassan. *Studying software logging using topic models.* **Empirical Software Engineering Journal (EMSE)**, 2018. (Impact Factor 3.275; h5-index 42).
- [Heng Li](#), Tse-Hsun (Peter) Chen, Ahmed E. Hassan, Mohamed Nasser, *Parminder Flora Adopting Autonomic Features in Existing Large-Scale Systems: An Experience Report.* **The 40th International Conference on Software Engineering, Software Engineering in Practice (ICSE 2018)**. 10 pages. Acceptance rate 24% (31/131). (h5-index 74).

## Other Publications (Full Papers)

- Shahnaz M. Shariff, [Heng Li](#), Cor-Paul Bezemer, Ahmed E. Hassan, Thanh H.D. Nguyen, Parminder Flora. *Improving the Testing Efficiency of Selenium-based Load Tests.* **Proceedings of the 14th IEEE/ACM International Workshop on Automation of Software Test (AST 2019)**.
- [Heng Li](#), Jun Tao, Xuan Zeng. *Model-Revised GP Method for Analog Integrated Circuits Optimization.* **Journal of Computer-Aided Design & Computer Graphics (JCADCG)**, 2012. (Impact Factor 1.435) (Published when I was a graduate student)
- Zixin Wang, [Heng Li](#), Jiaming Li, *et al.* *Implement of a high precision laser beam automatic collimation system.* **Applied Laser**, 2009. (Published when I was an undergraduate student; I'm the first student author)
- [Heng Li](#), Zhiyang Zhang. *Predicting the Receivers of Football Passes.* **Proceedings of the 5th Workshop on Machine Learning and Data Mining for Sports Analytics (MLSA 2018)**

## Teaching Experience

- Teaching Assistant for the “Software Architecture” course at Queen’s University (Fall 2018)
- Teaching Assistant for the “Game Architecture” course at Queen’s University (Fall 2017)
- Teaching Assistant for the “Software Foundation” course at Fudan University (Fall 2010)

## Education

- PhD in Computing, **Queen’s University**, Canada

Sep. 2014 – Dec. 2018

- Supervisor: Dr. Ahmed E. Hassan
- Research areas: software log mining, software performance engineering, mining software repositories, qualitative/quantitative analysis of software data, and software load testing
- Thesis topic: *Mining development knowledge to understand and support software logging practices*
- M.Sc. in Electronics Engineering, **Fudan University**, China Sep. 2009 - June. 2012
  - Supervisor: Dr. Xuan Zeng
  - Research area: computer aided design, optimization
  - Thesis topic: *Model-Revised Geometric Programming Method for Analog Integrated Circuits Optimization*
- B.E. in Electronics Engineering, **Sun Yat-Sen University**, China, Sep. 2005 - June. 2009
  - Ranking: 2/93; Outstanding graduate of Sun Yat-Sen University (for top 3% students)

## Professional experience

- **Post-Doctoral Fellow, Queen's University**, Kingston, Canada Jan. 2019 – Present
  - Supervisor: Dr. Ahmed E. Hassan
  - Research areas: software log mining, software performance engineering, qualitative/quantitative analysis of software data, mining software repositories, software load testing, and software test automation
  - Mentored three students (one PhD and two master students); one mentee already graduated
- **Data Researcher, Ford Canada**, Waterloo, Canada Jan. 2017 – April 2017
  - Mined log information from vehicles to provide insights on how to improve user experiences.
  - Designed and implemented big data solutions that support real-time processing of big log data.
  - **Related skills:** Big data (Hadoop stack), Java, data visualization (Tableau, D3).
- **Software Performance Associate, BlackBerry**, Waterloo, Canada Sep. 2015 – Dec. 2016
  - Focused on research-oriented projects that target to improve the performance of software systems and aid performance analysis processes.
  - Designed and implemented an autonomic real-time system configuration optimization framework that helped improve system performance by more than 30%.
  - **Related skills:** Python, Java, R, real time log analysis, optimization (local search), RESTful, Tomcat, MongoDB, MS SQL, JDBC, Spark, Elastic search, Kibana.
- **Software R&D Engineer, Synopsys**, Shanghai, China July 2012 – Aug. 2014
  - Successfully delivered several feature enhancement projects which are incorporated into a large-scale EDA software system to assist in the design and manufacturing of billions of electronic devices (e.g., iPhones) in the world.
  - Got Annual New Star Award for the first year in Synopsys.
  - **Related skills:** C/C++ programming, software development processes (version control, unit test, regression test, code review, etc.), delivering on time, presentation.
- **Software Development Intern, Sina**, Beijing, China Dec. 2011 - Feb. 2012
  - Efficiently found the root causes of some critical bugs in a mobile social network application and fixed them.
  - Highly recognized by the colleagues for resolving critical issues quickly.
  - **Related skills:** learn new things quickly, reach root causes and fix bugs in a short time.

## Awards

- Queen's Graduate Award, Queen's University, 2014-2018.
- Conference Travel Award, Queen's University, 2015, 2018 (twice).
- China National Scholarship (for top 1% students), 2007, 2008.
- Academic Scholarship, Fudan University, 2009-2012.
- Academic Scholarship, Sun Yat-Sen University, 2005-2009.

## Professional Services

- Reviewer for the Empirical Software Engineering Journal (EMSE, Impact Factor 3.275).
- Reviewer for the Journal of Systems and Software (JSS, Impact Factor 2.278).
- Co-Reviewer for the 28th International Conference on Computer Science and Software Engineering (CASCON), 2018.