# Aidan Yang

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#### **EDUCATION**

#### Queen's University

Kingston, Ontario

Bachelor of Applied Science, Computer Engineering and Mathematics

Expected graduation: 2021 June

o Thesis: Using Rényi information measures to model the loss function of generative adversarial networks (GANs)

#### RESEARCH

## Carnegie Mellon University

Pittsburgh, PA

Undergraduate Researcher (REUSE). Advisors: Ruben Martins and Claire Le Goues

Summer 2020

- $\circ \ \ \text{Built a program synthesis pipeline for refactoring data-science APIs (e.g., Tensorflow, Pytorch, Dplyr)}$
- Generated satisfiability modulo theories (SMT) constraints using error message hyponym patterns
- o In-submission full, technical track conference paper to ICSE-2021

## Queen's University

Kingston, ON

Undergraduate Researcher. Advisors: Ying Zou and Ahmed E. Hassan

May 2019 - May 2020

- o Investigated mobile development release documentation
- o Performed a novel empirical study on 69,851 releases and 67.7 million user reviews for 2,232 apps
- o In-submission EMSE journal paper as first author

# Queen's University

Kingston, ON

Undergraduate Researcher. Advisors: Daniel Alencar da Costa and Ying Zou

May 2018 - May 2019

- o Investigated the co-evolution of documentation and source code in Behavior Driven Development
- Applied reinforcement learning techniques to model repository behavior from 133 open-source projects
- Built NLP models to establish links between evolving software artifacts achieving 79.8% accuracy
- o Accepted full, technical track conference paper at MSR-2019 as first author

#### Industry

AMD

Markham, ON

Software Developer (Display Abstraction Layer)

Sept 2019 - May 2020

o Developed High Dynamic Range (HDR) and Freesync features for GPU drivers

# Queen's Technology and Media Association

Kingston, ON

Android Developer

Sept 2018 - May 2019

- o Built an Android AR application that places rendered furniture in rooms
- App (LucyAR) published on the Google Play Store on March 18<sup>th</sup> 2019

**GF Securities** *Investment Banking Analyst* 

Guangzhou, China

Summer 2017

• Advised initial public offering (IPO) transitions for clients of the industrial group

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

#### • SOAR: Synthesis for Open-Source API Refactoring

Aidan Z.H. Yang

ACM SIGPLAN International Conference on Systems, Programming, Languages, and Applications: Software for Humanity (SPLASH Companion), 2020

# • Predicting Co-Changes between Functionality Specifications and Source Code in Behavior Driven Development

Aidan Z.H. Yang, Daniel Alencar da Costa, Ying Zou

IEEE/ACM 16th International Conference on Mining Software Repositories (MSR), 2019

## Publications In-Submission

• SOAR: A Synthesis Approach for Data Science API Refactoring

Ansong Ni, Daniel Ramos, <u>Aidan Z.H. Yang</u>, Ines Lynce, Vasco Manquinho, Ruben Martins, Claire Le Goues In-submission at ICSE-2021

• An Empirical Study on Release Notes Patterns of Popular Apps in the Google Play Store Aidan Z.H. Yang, Safwat Hassan, Ying Zou, Ahmed E. Hassan Under review at Empirical Software Engineering Journal (EMSE)

#### Teaching

# Queen's University

TA for Data Structures and Algorithms under Ying Zou

Kingston, ON Winter 2018

#### AWARDS

- SIGSOFT CAPS Student Travel Award for ICSE 2019
- Alberta Alexander Rutherford Scholarship (\$2000 per year for first two years of university)
- 1 of 9 finalists for Alberta Pianofest Society 2016 (international award)
- 4th place Canadian Music Competition 2015 (national award)

# PROGRAMMING SKILLS

- Languages: Python, R, SQL, C/C++
- Technologies: Python PANDAS and Numpy, TensorFlow, PyTorch, R, PostgreSQL, WinDBG