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RESEARCH STATEMENT

- My research seeks to understand the relationship between software artifacts using deep learning, reason about the behavior of real-world programs and use this knowledge to build smarter programming tools for developers.

EDUCATION

- **McGill University** – Ph.D. Student in Computer Science (Accepted, est. 2019–2023) Supervisor: Jin Guo
- **Université de Montréal** – M.S. in Computer Science (2017–est. 2019) Co-supervisors: Liam Paull, Michalis Famelis
- **Rochester Institute of Technology** – B.S. in Computer Science, Minor in Chinese Language (2008–2012)
- **Shanghai Jiaotong University** – Certificate of Completion in Chinese Language Studies (2010–2011)

EXPERIENCE

- **JetBrains** (2014–2016) – Developer Advocate. Wrote technical documentation, recorded screencasts and webinars on developer tools, taught courses and collected feedback at conferences, companies and universities around the world. Created and curated the Java Annotated Monthly newsletter. Built several IDE plugins for the IntelliJ Platform.
- **OneSpot** (2012–2013) – Software Engineer. Responsible for launching a business-critical real-time bidder to match advertisements, websites and visitors using Bayesian inference. Patented new techniques for data mining, high-frequency transaction processing and machine learning for online auctions, helping to raise over \$7 million in venture capital.
- **Garnet Hill** (Summer 2009, Summer 2010) – Data Analysis Intern. Authored a company-wide business knowledge database. Built and tuned an inventory control tool to handle liquidation surplus and wrote SQL Server procedures to model price elasticity of demand and dynamically adjust SKU pricing across product categories during sales events.
- **FIRST Robotics Team #2523** (2007–2008) – Co-founder, Lead Programmer. Wrote our team’s winning \$15k NASA grant application. Collaborated with industry advisors from IBM and Oracle. Designed and wrote our robot’s AI and control software for the FIRST Robotics Competition, leading our team to the New England finals in our first year.

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- **POPL, LAFI (né PPS)** (2019) – Kotlin ∇ : Differentiable Functional Programming with Algebraic Data Types
- **Montreal AI Symposium** (2018) – Duckietown: a Platform for Teaching, Robotics and Machine Learning Research
- **Under Review** (2019) – Multi-objective training of Generative Adversarial Networks with multiple discriminators
- **IROS, Automating Robot Experiments** (2018) – Duckietown: Software Infrastructure for Autonomous Robotics
- **arXiv preprint** (2018) – Deep Pepper: Expert Iteration based Chess agent in the Reinforcement Learning Setting
- **US Patent Application US20140244405A1** (2014) – Automatic Generation of Digital Advertisements (OneSpot)

LEADERSHIP

- **Conference Speaker** – Teaching about programming tools, machine learning, type systems and speech recognition. JavaOne Shanghai (2013), Vermont Code Camp (2014), Houston TechFest (2014), Silicon Valley Code Camp (2014, 2016), Stanford University Career Fair (2015), GWT.Create (2015), Boston Code Camp (2015), DroidCon Montreal (2015), AnDevCon Boston (2015), JavaOne Brazil (2015, 2016), JavaOne San Francisco (2015, 2016), DevNexus (2016, 2017), ConFoo (2016, 2017), EclipseCon (2016), Great Indian Developer Summit (2016, 2017), PyCon Ireland (2016), Devovx Belgium (2016), Devovx US (2017), Java Day Tokyo (2017), Montreal AI Symposium (2018), ROSCon (2018)
- **Mila Lab Rep** (2018–2019) – Elected as a first year master’s student to represent the student body. Advised colleagues and staff during the merger of Montréal’s two largest AI labs, hosted Thanksgiving dinner, and ran the 2019 election.
- **RIT Badminton** – Student athlete (2008–2010) and President (2011–2012). Recruited talented athletes, organized fundraisers and tournaments, ran practices and lead the expansion of RIT’s inter-collegiate badminton program.
- **Shanghai Jiaotong University** (2010–2011) – Student Ambassador. Coordinated extracurricular activities for foreign language students, and helped promote cultural exchange between Chinese and international students in Shanghai.
- **Grace Stuart Orcutt Library** (2007–2008) – Archivist. Collected, cataloged, preserved and archived *The Newell Collection*, an anthology of ancient manuscripts from Vermont State Senator and Latin instructor, Graham Newell.

EXCELLENCE

People-oriented programmer with a passion for languages. Fluent in Java, Kotlin, Python, C/C++, and Chinese. Well-traveled on clouds, Rails, HTTP and *nix. Fast algorithms and rapid prototypes. Clean code with a proven track record in open source collaboration. Results-driven engineer with experience in machine learning, embedded systems and build automation. Strong consistency and referentially transparent (references available on request).