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## Research Interests

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**Software Engineering**, evolution and maintenance, repository mining, **Software Testing**, automated/automatic testing of Android Apps, automated testing of Web Apps, **Visual Analytics**, software understandability, **Mobile Health**

## Education

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### **Ph.D. Engineering, 2019 - 2023**

Universidad de los Andes, Colombia

*Thesis Title:* On improving analysis and testing of open- and closed-source Android Apps

*Advisor:* Mario Linares-Vásquez, Universidad de los Andes, Colombia

*Co-Advisor:* Gabriele Bavota, Università della Svizzera italiana, Switzerland

*Committee:* Denys Poshyvanyk, Massimiliano Di Penta, Nicolás Cardoso

### **Ph.D. Research Fellowship, Informatics, Sept. 2020 - Aug. 2021.**

#### **Swiss Government Excellence Scholarship for Foreign Scholars**

Università della Svizzera italiana

Field: Automation of Software Engineering Tasks

*Advisor:* Gabriele Bavota, Università della Svizzera italiana, Switzerland

### **M.Sc. Software Engineering, 2017 - 2018.**

Universidad de los Andes, Colombia

*Advisor:* Mario Linares-Vásquez

*Thesis Title:* Automatic Analysis of Android Closed-Source apps to Support Software Engineering Tasks:  
The Mutation Testing Case

### **B.S. Systems and Computing Engineering, 2012 - 2016.**

Universidad de los Andes, Colombia

Minor: Mathematics

*Advisor:* Jose Tiberio Hernández

## Research Experience

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**Professional Researcher** - January 2022 - June 2023

Ministry of Science; Fundación CardioInfantil; Universidad de los Andes, Colombia

**Graduate Doctoral Teaching Assistant** - Jan. 2019 - December. 2021

Systems and Computing Engineering Department - Universidad de los Andes, Colombia

**Graduate Research Assistant** - Jan. 2017 - Dec. 2018

Systems and Computing Engineering Department - Universidad de los Andes, Colombia

## Teaching Experience

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### Assistant Professor

**Mobile App Development** - August 2023 - Present

Systems and Computing Engineering - Universidad de los Andes, Colombia

**Web Development** - August 2023 - Present

Systems and Computing Engineering - Universidad de los Andes, Colombia

**Automated Software Testing** - August 2023 - Present

Masters in Software Engineering - Coursera - Universidad de los Andes, Colombia

**Software Engineering for Mobile Apps** - August 2023 - Present

Masters in Software Engineering - Coursera - Universidad de los Andes, Colombia

### Lecturer

**Mobile App Development** - January 2023 - June 2023

Systems and Computing Engineering - Universidad de los Andes, Colombia

**Web Development** - January 2023 - June 2023

Systems and Computing Engineering - Universidad de los Andes, Colombia

**Automated Software Testing** - January 2021 - June 2023

Masters in Software Engineering - Coursera - Universidad de los Andes, Colombia

**Software Engineering for Mobile Apps** - January 2023 - June 2023

Masters in Software Engineering - Coursera - Universidad de los Andes, Colombia

### Teacher Assistant

**Software Engineering for Mobile Apps** - June 2021 - December 2022

Masters in Software Engineering - Coursera - Universidad de los Andes, Colombia

**Automated Software Testing** - January 2018 - December 2020

Masters in Software Engineering - Universidad de los Andes, Colombia

**Mobile App Development** - January 2020 - December 2020

Systems and Computing Engineering - Universidad de los Andes, Colombia

### Lab Instructor

**Design and Analysis of Algorithms**, *Lab Instructor* - Jan. 2017 - Jun. 2017

Systems and Computing Engineering - Universidad de los Andes, Colombia

# Professional Service

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## Organizing Comitee

**The 39th International Conference on Software Maintenance and Evolution**  
ICSME'23, Bogotá, Colombia. <https://conf.researchr.org/home/icsme-2023>

**The 39th International Conference on Software Maintenance and Evolution**  
ICSME'23, Bogotá, Colombia. <https://conf.researchr.org/home/icsme-2023>

**The 1st Languages and Tools for Next Generation Testing Workshop**  
LANGETI'20, Nov 9, 2020, Sacramento, CA, USA. <https://langeti.github.io/>

## Program Comitee

**ICPC'24**. TBD, 2024, Lisboa, Portugal. *PC - Research Track*

**MSR'23**. May 15-16, 2023, Melbourne, Australia. *Junior PC - Research Track*

**MOBILESoft'22**. May 22-23, 2022, Pittsburgh, PA, USA. *Tool Demo and Mobile Apps*.

**ESEC/FSE'21**. August 18-29, 2021, (Virtually). *Artifacts Track*.

**MSR'21**. May 23-24, 2021 (Virtually). *Shadow PC - Research Track*

## Student Volunteer

**ICST'20**, Oct 24-28, 2020, Porto, Portugal.

**ICSME'20**, Sep 27 - Oct 3, 2020, Adelaide, Australia.

**ICSE'20**, July 6-11, 2020, Seoul, South Korea.

**ASE'19**, November 11-15, 2019 - San Diego, CA, USA.

**ICSE'19** - May 25-31, 2019 - Montreal, Canada.

**ICSME'18** - September 23-29, 2018 - Madrid, Spain.

## Talks

***On improving quality of analysis and testing for Open- and Closed-source Android App***. Encuentro de Experiencias de Investigación en Ingeniería EEII2022 at Universidad de los Andes - December 2022 - Bogotá, Colombia

***Enabling Automated Software Engineering Tasks for Closed-Source Android Apps***. 70th Anniversary of Research and Creation at Universidad de los Andes - November 2018 - Bogotá, Colombia

## Honors and Awards

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### **Scholarship from Ministry of Science**

Scholarship provided to PhD Students - Minciencias 909

Jan. 2022 - Dec. 2022 - Bogotá, Colombia

### **Swiss Government Excellence Scholarships for Foreign Scholars**

*Enabling Automated Software Engineering Tasks for Closed-Source Mobile Apps*

Sep. 2020 - Aug. 2021 - Lugano, Switzerland

### **Google Latin American Research Award**

*Enabling Automated Software Engineering Tasks for Closed-Source Mobile Apps*

2020 - 2021 - Bello Horizonte, Brasil

### **Google Latin American Research Award**

*Enabling Automated Software Engineering Tasks for Closed-Source Mobile Apps*

2019 - 2020 - Bello Horizonte, Brasil

### **ACM SIGAI travel scholarship**

*The 34th International Conference on Automated Software Engineering*

2019 - San Diego, CA, USA

### **Google Latin American Research Award**

*Enabling Automated Software Engineering Tasks for Closed-Source Mobile Apps*

2018 - 2019 - Bello Horizonte, Brasil

### **1st Place Team Competition**

Testathon - Chapter 30

April 2019 - Bogotá, Colombia

### **1st Place Hackaton Against Human Trafficking**

FIND: A Technological Environment to fight Human Trafficking

November 2018 - Bogotá, Colombia

## Journal Publications

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- [J5] Ravelo-Méndez, W., **Escobar-Velásquez, C.**, Linares-Vásquez, M., “*Kraken 2.0: A platform-agnostic and cross-device interaction testing tool.*”, in Science of Computer Programming 2022
- [J4] Mazuera-Rozo, A., **Escobar-Velásquez, C.**, Espitia-Acero, J., Vega-Guzmán, D., Trubiani, C., Linares-Vásquez, M., Bavota, G., “*Taxonomy of security weaknesses in Java and Kotlin Android apps*”, in Journal of Systems and Software 2022 (JSS’22)
- [J3] **Escobar-Velásquez, C.**, Mazuera-Rozo, A., Bedoya, C., Osorio-Riaño, M., Linares-Vásquez, M., Bavota, G., “*Studying eventual connectivity issues in Android apps*”, in Empirical Software Engineering 2022 (EMSE’22)
- [J2] Ravelo-Méndez, W., **Escobar-Velásquez, C.**, Linares-Vásquez, M., “*Kraken: A framework for enabling multi-device interaction-based testing of Android apps.*”, in Science of Computer Programming 2021
- [J1] **Escobar-Velásquez, C.**, Linares-Vásquez, M., Bavota, G., Tufano, M., Moran, K., Di penta, M., Vendome, C., Bernal-Cardenas, C., Poshyvanyk, D., “*Enabling Mutant Generation for Open and Closed-Source Android Apps*”, in IEEE Transactions on Software Engineering 2020 (TSE’20)

## Conference Publications

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- [C13] Mazuera-Rozo, A., **Escobar-Velásquez, C.**, Espitia-Acero, J., Linares-Vásquez, M., Bavota, G., “*Detecting connectivity issues in android apps*”, in Proceedings of the 29th IEEE International Conference on Software Analysis, Evolution and Reengineering (SANER’22) - Research Track, Honolulu, HI, USA, March 15-18, 2020.
- [C12] Ravelo-Méndez, W., **Escobar-Velásquez, C.**, Linares-Vásquez, M., “*Kraken 2.0: A platform-agnostic and cross-device interaction testing tool*”, in Proceedings of the 29th IEEE International Conference on Software Analysis, Evolution and Reengineering (SANER’22) - Tool Demo Track, Honolulu, HI, USA, March 15-18, 2020.
- [C11] Naranjo-Puentes, S., **Escobar-Velásquez, C.**, Vendome, C., Linares-Vásquez, M., “*A Preliminary Study on Accessibility of Augmented Reality Features in Mobile Apps*”, in Proceedings of the 29th IEEE International Conference on Software Analysis, Evolution and Reengineering (SANER’22) - Early Research Achievement Track, Honolulu, HI, USA, March 15-18, 2020.
- [C10] Mojica-Hanke, A., Bello-Jiménez, L., **Escobar-Velásquez, C.**, Linares-Vásquez, M., “*Crème*

*de la crème. Investigating Metadata and Survivability of Top Android Apps*”, in Proceedings of the 29th IEEE International Conference on Software Analysis, Evolution and Reengineering (SANER’22) - REproducibility Studies and NEgative Results Track, Honolulu, HI, USA, March 15-18, 2020.

[C9] **Escobar-Velásquez, C.**, Donoso-Díaz, A., Linares-Vásquez, M., “*ITDroid: A Tool for Automated Detection of i18n Issues on Android Apps*”, in Proceedings of the 8th International Conference on Mobile Software Engineering and Systems 2021 (MobileSoft’21)) - Tool Demo Track, MAdrid, Spain, May 17 - 19, 2021.

[C8] **Escobar-Velásquez, C.**, Riveros, D., Linares-Vásquez, M., “*Mutapk 2.0: a tool for reducing mutation testing effort of android apps*”, in Proceedings of the 28th ACM Joint Meeting on European Software Engineering Conference and Symposium on the Foundations of Software Engineering 2020 (ESEC/FSE’20) - Tool Demo Track, Sacramento, CA, USA, November 6 - 16, 2020.

[C7] **Escobar-Velásquez, C.**, Osorio-Riaño, M., Dominguez-Osorio, J., Arevalo, M., Linares-Vásquez, M., “*An empirical study of i18n collateral changes and bugs in guis of android apps*”, in Proceedings of the 36th IEEE International Conference on Software Maintenance and Evolution 2020 (ICSME’20) - Research Track, Adelaide, Australia, September 27th - October 3rd, 2020.

[C6] Bello-Jiménez, L., **Escobar-Velásquez, C.**, Mojica-Hanke, A., Linares-Vásquez, M., “*Hall-of-Apps: The Top Android Apps Metadata Archive*”, in Proceedings of the 17th International Conference on Mining Software Repositories 2020 (MSR’20) - Data Showcase Track, Seoul, South Korea, October 5-11, 2020.

[C5] Trujillo, M., Linares-Vásquez, M., **Escobar-Velásquez, C.**, Dusparic, I., Cardozo, N., “*Does Neuron Coverage Matter for Deep Reinforcement Learning? A Preliminary Study*”, in Proceedings of the 2nd Workshop on Testing for Deep Learning and Deep Learning for Testing 2020 (DeepTest’20) - Research Track, Seoul, South Korea, October 5-11, 2020.

[C4] **Escobar-Velásquez, C.**, “*Source-Codeless Testing for Android Apps*”, in Proceedings of the 13th IEEE International Conference on Software Testing, Validation and Verification 2020 (ICST’20), Doctoral Symposium, Porto, Portugal, October 24-28, 2020.

[C3] **Escobar-Velásquez, C.**, Osorio-Riaño, M., Linares-Vásquez, M., “*MutAPK: Source-Codeless Mutant Generation for Android Apps*”, in Proceedings of the 34th International Conference on Automated Software Engineering 2019 (ASE’19), Tool Demo, San Diego, USA, November 11-15, 2019.

[C2] Ravelo-Méndez, W., **Escobar-Velásquez, C.**, Linares-Vásquez, M., “*Kraken-Mobile: Cross-Device Interaction-based Testing of Android Apps*”, in Proceedings of the 35th International Conference on Software Maintenance and Evolution 2019 (ICMSE’19), Tool Demo, Cleveland, OH, United States, October 2-4, 2019.

[C1] Linares-Vásquez, M., Bavota, G., **Escobar-Velásquez, C.**, “*An Empirical Study on Android-*

*Related Vulnerabilities*”, in Proceedings of the 14th International Conference on Mining Software Repositories 2017 (MSR '17), Research Paper, Buenos Aires, Argentina, May 20-21, 2017.

## Student Supervision - Undergraduate Projects

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### 2023-II

**Esteban Martinez-Hernandez.** Topic: *Orchestration of IoT procedures in educational environments*

**Felipe Duque-Martinez.** Topic: *Visual Analytics*

**Camila Pantoja-Gómez.** Universidad de los Andes, Colombia. 2022-I.

**Daniel Valbuena-Bautista.** Universidad de los Andes, Colombia. 2022-II.

Project Title: *Automatic GUI testing for android using reinforcement learning*

**Camila Pantoja-Gómez.** Universidad de los Andes, Colombia. 2022-I.

**Daniel Valbuena-Bautista.** Universidad de los Andes, Colombia. 2022-II.

Project Title: *Automatic GUI testing for android using reinforcement learning*

**Camila Pantoja-Gómez.** Universidad de los Andes, Colombia. 2022-I.

Project Title: *Automatic Multi-platform Interaction Testing for Android Using Reinforcement Learning*

**Edgar Díaz-Suárez.** Universidad de los Andes, Colombia. 2022-I.

Project Title: *Automatic Multi-platform Interaction Testing for Android Using Reinforcement Learning*

**Camilo Rozo-Benitez.** Universidad de los Andes, Colombia. 2022-I.

Project Title: *Automatic Multi-platform Interaction Testing for Android Using Reinforcement Learning*

**Mario Andrade-Vargas.** Universidad de los Andes, Colombia. 2022-I.

Project Title: *Towards automated repairment of internationalization issues for android apps*

**Andrés Donoso-Díaz.** Universidad de los Andes, Colombia. 2021-II.

Project Title: *Improving Automated i18n Testing of Android Apps*

**Michael Osorio-Riaño.** Universidad de los Andes, Colombia. 2020-I.

Project Title: *Comparison and analysis between automatic exploration tools for Android applications*

**Juan Domínguez-Osorio.** Universidad de los Andes, Colombia. 2019-II.

Project Title: *Automated GUI ripping for web applications*

**Andrés López-Fabara.** Universidad de los Andes, Colombia. 2019-II.

Project Title: *Automated GUI ripping for web applications*

**William Ravelo-Méndez.** Universidad de los Andes, Colombia. 2019-I.

Project Title: *Automated cross-app testing*