Facundo Molina

Postdoctoral Researcher

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EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Since 2022 Postdoctoral Researcher

IMDEA Software Institute, Madrid, Spain.

2018 - 2022 Teaching Assistant

Department of Computer Science, University of Río Cuarto, Argentina.

2014 - 2017 Student Teaching Assistant

Department of Computer Science, University of Río Cuarto, Argentina.

EDUCATION

2017 - 2022 Ph.D., Computer Science

Dissertation: Techniques based on Learning and Search for Specification Inference Faculty of Mathematics, Astronomy, Physics and Computing - FaMaF University of Córdoba - Argentina

2012 - 2017 Computer Science Licenciate

(5-year + thesis undergraduate program of study) Department of Computer Science - FCEFQyN

 $University\ of\ R\'{io}\ Cuarto$ - Argentina

Thesis Project: Automatic Learning of Relational Specifications using

Evolutionary Computation AVERAGE SCORE: 9.43 out of 10

2012 - 2014 B.S. in Computer Science

Department of Computer Science - FCEFQyN

University of Río Cuarto - Argentina

THESIS PROJECT: Project in the course of Distributed and Outsourced

Software Engineering

Average score: 9.33 out of 10

Publications

October 2023 Enabling Efficient Assertion Inference

Aayush Garg, Renzo Degiovanni, Facundo Molina, Maxime Cordy, Nazareno Aguirre, Mike Papadakis, and Yves Le Traon. *IEEE 34th International Symposium on Software Reliability Engineering, ISSRE 2023, Florence, Italy, October 9 - 12, 2023.*

October 2023 Precise Lazy Initialization for Programs with Complex Heap Inputs

Juan Manuel Copia, Facundo Molina, Nazareno Aguirre, Marcelo F. Frias, Alessandra Gorla, and Pablo Ponzio.

IEEE 34th International Symposium on Software Reliability Engineering, ISSRE 2023, Florence, Italy, October 9 - 12, 2023.

- APRIL 2023 Efficient Bounded Exhaustive Input Generation from Program APIs
 Mariano Politano, Valeria Bengolea, Facundo Molina, Marcelo F. Frias,
 Nazareno Aguirre, and Pablo Ponzio.

 26th International Conference on Fundamental Approaches to Software Engineering,
 FASE 2023, Paris, France, April 22 27, 2023.
- NOVEMBER 2022 Learning to Prune Infeasible Paths in Generalized Symbolic Execution Facundo Molina, Pablo Ponzio, Nazareno Aguirre and Marcelo F. Frias.

 IEEE 33rd International Symposium on Software Reliability Engineering,
 ISSRE 2022, Charlotte, NC, USA, October 31 Nov. 3, 2022.
 - MAY 2022 Fuzzing Class Specifications
 Facundo Molina, Marcelo d'Amorim and Nazareno Aguirre.

 Proceedings of the 44th ACM/IEEE International Conference
 on Software Engineering, ICSE 2022, Pittsburgh, USA, May 22-27, 2022.
 - MAY 2021 **EvoSpex: An Evolutionary Algorithm for Learning Postconditions**Facundo Molina, Pablo Ponzio, Nazareno Aguirre and Marcelo Frias.

 Proceedings of the 43rd ACM/IEEE International Conference
 on Software Engineering, ICSE 2021, Madrid, Spain, May 23-29, 2021.
- SEPTEMBER 2020 Applying Learning Techniques to Oracle Synthesis
 Facundo Molina
 Doctoral Symposium, Proceedings of the 35th IEEE/ACM International Conference
 on Automated Software Engineering, ASE 2020, Australia, September 21-25, 2020.
 - July 2019 An Evolutionary Approach to Translating Operational Specifications into Declarative Specifications Facundo Molina, César Cornejo, Renzo Degiovanni, Germán Regis, Pablo Castro, Nazareno Aguirre and Marcelo Frias Science of Computer Programming, Volume 181, Pages 47-63, 2019.
 - MAY 2019 Training Binary Classifiers as Data Structure Invariants
 Facundo Molina, Pablo Ponzio, Renzo Degiovanni, Germán Regis,
 Nazareno Aguirre and Marcelo Frias
 Proceedings of the 41th International Conference on Software Engineering,
 ICSE 2019, Montreal, Canada, May 25-31, 2019.
- SEPTEMBER 2018 A Genetic Algorithm for Goal-Conflict Identification
 Renzo Degiovanni, Facundo Molina, Germán Regis and Nazareno Aguirre
 Proceedings of the 33rd ACM/IEEE International Conference on Automated
 Software Engineering, ASE 2018, Montpellier, France, September 3-7, 2018.
 - MAY 2018 From Operational to Declarative Specifications using a Genetic Algorithm Facundo Molina, Renzo Degiovanni, Germán Regis, Pablo Castro, Nazareno Aguirre and Marcelo Frias Proceedings of the 11th International Workshop on Search-Based Software Testing, SBST@ICSE 2018, Gothenburg, Sweden, May 28-29, 2018.
- NOVEMBER 2016 An Evolutionary Approach to Translate Operational Specifications into Declarative Specifications Facundo Molina, César Cornejo, Renzo Degiovanni, Germán Regis, Pablo Castro, Nazareno Aguirre and Marcelo Frias Proceedings of the 19th Brazilian Symposium on Formal Methods SBMF 2016, Natal, Brazil, November 22-25, 2016.

SERVICES

Since 2021 Program Committee

International Conference on AI Foundation Models and Software Engineering, FORGE 2024. International Working Conference on Source Code Analysis and Manipulation, SCAM 2023. International Workshop on Test Oracles, TORACLE 2021 (at ESEC/FSE 2021).

SINCE 2023 Artifact Evaluation Committee

International Conference on Software Engineering, ICSE 2024. International Symposium on Software Testing and Analysis, ISSTA 2023. Static Analysis Symposium, SAS 2023.

2017 - 2022 Student Volunteer

International Conference on Software Engineering, ICSE 2022. International Conference on Software Engineering, ICSE 2021. International Conference on Software Engineering, ICSE 2019. International Conference on Automated Software Engineering, ASE 2018. International Conference on Software Engineering, ICSE 2017.

Awards & Distinctions

2020 Latin America PhD Award

A research award for PhD students in computing related fields in their 3rd year or beyond at universities in Latin America, and granted by Microsoft Research.

2018 Best Paper Award

From Operational to Declarative Specifications using a Genetic Algorithm 11th International Workshop on Search-Based Software Testing, SBST 2018.

2016 Best Paper Award

An Evolutionary Approach to Translate Operational Specifications into Declarative Specifications, 19th Brazilian Symposium on Formal Methods, SBMF 2016.

2016 University of Rio Cuarto flag bearer for a 1-year period

Traditional honour in educational institutions in Argentina to the three top students in the institution.

Grants & Scholarships

2017 Doctoral Scholarship

5-year Scholarship granted by Argentina's National Scientific and Technical Research Council (CONICET) to fund doctoral students.

2016 EVC-CIN Scholarship

 $1-year\ Scolarship\ granted\ by\ the\ argentinian\ National\ Inter\ University\ Council\ (CIN)$ to encourage undergraduate students to pursue scientific vocations.

TEACHING BACKGROUND

March 2018 Teaching Assistant

- June 2022 Courses: Computability and Complexity, Distributed and Outsourced

Software Engineering, Introduction to Programming. Department of Computer Science - FCEFQyN University of Río Cuarto - Argentina

August 2014 Student Teaching Assistant

- June 2017 Courses: Data Structures and Algorithms, Algorithms Design Techniques,

Programming Paradigms, and System Design and Analysis.

Department of Computer Science - FCEFQyN

University of Río Cuarto - Argentina

Extracurricular Courses Taken

OCTOBER 2019 Neural Networks and Deep Learning - Adjunct Professor Andrew Ng

Foundations of Deep Learning

An online non-credit course authorized by deeplearning.ai

Coursera

March 2019 Introduction to Data Science in Python - Christopher Brooks

Introduction to data manipulation and cleaning techniques using pandas An online non-credit course authorized by University of Michigan

Coursera

August 2018 Neural Networks - Dr. Francisco Tamarit

November 2018 Mathematical Foundations of Artificial Neural Networks

 $Postgraduate\ courses$

University of Córdoba - Argentina

August 2017 **Text Mining** - Dr. Laura Alonso Alemany

NOVEMBER 2017 Text Mining techniques applied to Natural Language Processing problems (Word

similarity, Document clustering, Sense discrimination, Machine translation)

Postgraduate courses

University of Córdoba - Argentina

August 2017 Information and its Demons - Dr. Javier Blanco

NOVEMBER 2017 Information Philosophy

Postgraduate courses

University of Río Cuarto - Argentina

February 2017 Human Dynamics: Data, Networks and Modelling - Dr. Márton Karsai

Summer School of Computer Science RIO 2017

University of Río Cuarto - Argentina

March 2016 Software Testing - Dr. Renzo Degiovanni

June 2016 Main software testing techniques using state-of-the-art tools

Postgraduate courses

 $University\ of\ R\'io\ Cuarto$ - Argentina

February 2016 Systematic Test Case Generation - Prof. Sarfraz Khurshid

Summer School of Computer Science RIO 2016

University of Río Cuarto - Argentina

February 2016 Symbolic Program Analysis - Prof. Willem Visser

 $Summer\ School\ of\ Computer\ Science\ RIO\ 2016$ $University\ of\ Rio\ Cuarto\ -\ Argentina$

Summer School of Computer Science RIO 2015

 $University\ of\ R\'{io}\ Cuarto$ - Argentina

February 2015 Fundamentals of Quantum Programming Languages - Dr. Alejandro Díaz-Caro

 $Summer\ School\ of\ Computer\ Science\ RIO\ 2015$

 $University\ of\ R\'{io}\ Cuarto$ - Argentina

LANGUAGES

SPANISH: Mother tongue

English: Fluent