

Shane McIntosh

Curriculum Vitae

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SUMMARY OF ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Recipient of the Governor General's Academic Gold Medal—one of Canada's most prestigious awards for PhD graduates (see AWARDS & RECOGNITION).
- My early papers on build systems laid the groundwork for a rapidly-growing research community that has piqued industrial interest (see ICSE'11, EMSE'12, and MSR'10).
- Broad network of collaborators, including industrial researchers from institutions in Germany and USA, as well as academics from institutions in Japan, Brazil, and Canada.

PAPERS IN REFEREED INTERNATIONAL JOURNALS

- TSE'16a** D. A. da Costa, S. McIntosh, W. Shang, U. Kulesza, R. Coelho, A. E. Hassan. A Framework for Evaluating the Results of the SZZ Approach for Identifying Bug-Introducing Changes. *Transactions on Software Engineering* (IEEE), Accepted (Oct. 2016), 18 pages.
- EMSE'16a** P. Thongtanunam, S. McIntosh, A. E. Hassan, H. Iida. Review Participation in Modern Code Review: An Empirical Study of the Android, Qt, and OpenStack Projects. *Empirical Software Engineering* (Springer), Accepted (Aug. 2016), 40 pages.
- TSE'16b** F. Zhang, A. E. Hassan, S. McIntosh, Ying Zou. The Use of Summation to Aggregate Software Metrics Hinders the Performance of Defect Prediction Models. *Transactions on Software Engineering* (IEEE), In press (Aug. 2016), 16 pages.
- TSE'16c** C. Tantithamthavorn, S. McIntosh, A. E. Hassan, K. Matsumoto. An Empirical Comparison of Model Validation Techniques for Defect Prediction Models. *Transactions on Software Engineering* (IEEE), In press (Jun. 2016), 21 pages.
- TSE'16d** C. Tantithamthavorn, S. McIntosh, A. E. Hassan, K. Matsumoto. Comments on "Researcher Bias: The Use of Machine Learning in Software Defect Prediction" *Transactions on Software Engineering* (IEEE), In press (Apr. 2016), 5 pages.
- AUSE'16** S. McIntosh, B. Adams, M. Nagappan, A. E. Hassan. Identifying and Understanding Header File Hotspots in C/C++ Build Processes. *Automated Software Engineering* (Springer), 23(4):619–647, Dec. 2016.
- EMSE'16b** Y. Kamei, T. Fukushima, S. McIntosh, K. Yamashita, N. Ubayashi, A. E. Hassan. Studying Just-In-Time Defect Prediction using Cross-Project Models. *Empirical Software Engineering* (Springer), 21(5):2072–2106, Oct. 2016.
- EMSE'16c** S. McIntosh, Y. Kamei, B. Adams, A. E. Hassan. An Empirical Study of the Impact of Modern Code Review Practices on Software Quality. *Empirical Software Engineering* (Springer), 21(5):2146–2189, Oct. 2016.
- EMSE'15** S. McIntosh, M. Nagappan, B. Adams, A. Mockus, A. E. Hassan. A Large-Scale Empirical Study of the Relationship between Build Technology and Build Maintenance. *Empirical Software Engineering* (Springer), 20(6):1587–1633, Dec. 2015.
- EMSE'12** S. McIntosh, B. Adams, A. E. Hassan. The evolution of Java build systems. *Empirical Software Engineering* (Springer), 17(4-5):578–608, Aug. 2012.

FULL PAPERS IN REFEREED INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

- ICSME'16** J. Shimagaki, Y. Kamei, S. McIntosh, D. Pursehouse, N. Ubayashi. Why are Commits being Reverted? A Comparative Study of Industrial and Open Source Projects. *In proc. of the 32nd Int'l Conf. on Software Maintenance and Evolution* (IEEE), In press (Aug. 2016), 11 pages. Acceptance rate: 35/127 or 29%.
- ESEM'16** K. Miura, S. McIntosh, Y. Kamei, A. E. Hassan, N. Ubayashi. The Impact of Task Granularity on Co-evolution Analyses. *In proc. of the 10th Int'l Symposium on Empirical Software Engineering and Measurement* (ACM/IEEE), pp. 47:1–47:10, Sep. 2016. Acceptance rate: 27/122 or 22%.

- ICSE'16a** P. Thongtanunam, S. McIntosh, A. E. Hassan, H. Iida. Revisiting Code Ownership and its Relationship with Software Quality in the Scope of Modern Code Review. *In proc. of the 38th Int'l Conf. on Software Engineering (ACM/IEEE)*, pp. 1039–1050, May 2016. Acceptance rate: 101/530 or 19%.
- ICSE'16b** C. Tantithamthavorn, S. McIntosh, A. E. Hassan, K. Matsumoto. Automated Parameter Optimization of Classification Techniques for Defect Prediction Models. *In proc. of the 38th Int'l Conf. on Software Engineering (ACM/IEEE)*, pp. 321–332, May 2016. Acceptance rate: 101/530 or 19%.
- ICSE'16 SEIP** J. Shimagaki, Y. Kamei, S. McIntosh, A. E. Hassan, N. Ubayashi. A Study of the Quality-Impacting Practices of Modern Code Review at Sony Mobile. *In proc. of the Software Engineering in Practice (SEIP) track of the 38th Int'l Conf. on Software Engineering (ACM/IEEE)*, pp. 212–221, May 2016. Acceptance rate: 28/108 or 26%.
- MSR'16a** D. A. da Costa, S. McIntosh, U. Kulesza, A. E. Hassan. Studying the Impact of Switching to a Rapid Release Cycle on Integration Delay of Addressed Issues: An Empirical Study of the Mozilla Firefox Project. *In proc. of the 13th Int'l Conf. on Mining Software Repositories (ACM/IEEE)*, pp. 374–385, May 2016. Acceptance rate: 36/103 or 35%.
🏆 *ACM SIGSOFT distinguished paper* 🏆
- SANER'16a** M. Beller, R. Bholanath, S. McIntosh, A. Zaidman. Analyzing the State of Static Analysis: A Large-Scale Evaluation in Open Source Software. *In proc. of the 23rd Int'l Conf. on Software Analysis, Evolution, and Reengineering (IEEE)*, pp. 470–481, Mar. 2016. Acceptance rate: 52/140 or 37%.
- SANER'16b** C. Macho, S. McIntosh, M. Pinzger. Predicting Build Co-Changes with Source Code Change and Commit Categories. *In proc. of the 23rd Int'l Conf. on Software Analysis, Evolution, and Reengineering (IEEE)*, pp. 541–551, Mar. 2016. Acceptance rate: 52/140 or 37%.
🏆 *Nominated for best paper* 🏆
- ESEC/FSE'15** M. Nagappan, R. Robbes, Y. Kamei, É. Tanter, S. McIntosh, A. Mockus, A. E. Hassan. An Empirical Study of goto in C Code from GitHub Repositories. *In proc. of the 10th joint meeting of the European Software Engineering Conference and the Symposium on the Foundations of Software Engineering (ACM/IEEE)*, pp. 404–414, Sep. 2015. Acceptance rate: 74/291 or 25%.
- ICSE'15a** C. Tantithamthavorn, S. McIntosh, A. E. Hassan, A. Ihara, K. Matsumoto. The Impact of Mislabelling on the Performance and Interpretation of Defect Prediction Models *In proc. of the 37th Int'l Conf. on Software Engineering (ACM/IEEE)*, pp. 812–823, May 2015. Acceptance rate: 84/452 or 19%.
- ICSE'15b** B. Ghotra, S. McIntosh, A. E. Hassan. Revisiting the Impact of Classification Techniques on the Performance of Defect Prediction Models. *In proc. of the 37th Int'l Conf. on Software Engineering (ACM/IEEE)*, pp. 789–800, May 2015. Acceptance rate: 84/452 or 19%.
- MSR'15** P. Thongtanunam, S. McIntosh, A. E. Hassan, H. Iida. Investigating Code Review Practices in Defective Files. *In proc. of the 12th Working Conf. on Mining Software Repositories (ACM/IEEE)*, pp. 168–179, May 2015. Acceptance rate: 32/106 or 30%.
- SANER'15a** R. Morales, S. McIntosh, F. Khomh. Do Code Review Practices Impact Design Quality? A Case Study of the Qt, VTK, and ITK Projects. *In proc. of the 22nd Int'l Conf. on Software Analysis, Evolution, and Reengineering (IEEE)*, pp. 171–180, Mar. 2015. Acceptance rate: 46/144 or 32%.
- SANER'15b** X. Xia, D. Lo, S. McIntosh, E. Shihab, A. E. Hassan. Cross-Project Build Co-change Prediction. *In proc. of the 22nd Int'l Conf. on Software Analysis, Evolution, and Reengineering (IEEE)*, pp. 311–320, Mar. 2015. Acceptance rate: 46/144 or 32%.
- ICSME'14a** S. McIntosh, B. Adams, M. Nagappan, A. E. Hassan. Mining Co-Change Information to Understand when Build Changes are Necessary. *In proc. of the 30th Int'l Conf. on Software Maintenance and Evolution (IEEE)*, pp. 241–250, Oct. 2014. Acceptance rate: 40/210 or 19%.

- ICSME'14b** D. A. da Costa, S. L. Abebe, S. McIntosh, Uirá Kulesza, A. E. Hassan. An Empirical Study of Delays in the Integration of Addressed Issues *In proc. of the 30th Int'l Conf. on Software Maintenance and Evolution* (IEEE), pp. 281–290, Oct. 2014. Acceptance rate: 40/210 or 19%.
 🏆 *Nominated for best paper* 🏆
- ASE'14** S. van der Burg, E. Dolstra, S. McIntosh, J. Davies, D. M. Germán, A. Hemel. Tracing Software Build Processes to Uncover License Compliance Inconsistencies. *In proc. of the 29th Int'l Conf. on Automated Software Engineering* (ACM/IEEE), pp. 731–741, Sep. 2014. Acceptance rate: 55/276 or 20%.
- ICSE'14 SEIP** S. McIntosh, M. Poehlmann, E. Juergens, A. Mockus, B. Adams, A. E. Hassan, B. Haupt, C. Wagner. Collecting and Leveraging a Benchmark of Build System Clones to Aid in Quality Assessments. *In proc. of the Software Engineering in Practice (SEIP) track of the 36th Int'l Conf. on Software Engineering* (ACM/IEEE), pp. 145–154, Jun. 2014. Acceptance rate: 25/117 or 21%.
- MSR'14a** S. McIntosh, Y. Kamei, B. Adams, A. E. Hassan. The Impact of Code Review Coverage and Code Review Participation on Software Quality: A Case Study of the Qt, VTK, and ITK Projects. *In proc. of the 11th Working Conf. on Mining Software Repositories* (ACM/IEEE), pp. 192–201, May 2014. Acceptance rate: 29/85 or 34%.
 🏆 *Distinguished paper award* 🏆
- MSR'14b** T. Fukushima, Y. Kamei, S. McIntosh, K. Yamashita, N. Ubayashi. An Empirical Study of Just-In-Time Defect Prediction Using Cross-Project Models. *In proc. of the 11th Working Conf. on Mining Software Repositories* (ACM/IEEE), pp. 172–181, May 2014. Acceptance rate: 29/85 or 34%.
 🏆 *Nominated for distinguished paper award* 🏆
- WSE'11** S. McIntosh, B. Adams, A. E. Hassan, Ying Zou. Using Indexed Sequence Diagrams to Uncover the Behaviour of AJAX Applications. *In proc. of the 13th Int'l Symposium on Web Systems Evolution* (IEEE), pp. 1–10, Sep. 2011. Acceptance rate: 8/24 or 33%.
- ICSE'11** S. McIntosh, B. Adams, T. H. D. Nguyen, Y. Kamei, A. E. Hassan. An Empirical Study of Build Maintenance Effort. *In proc. of the 33rd Int'l Conf. on Software Engineering* (ACM/IEEE), pp. 141–150, May 2011. Acceptance rate: 62/441 or 14%.
- MSR'10** S. McIntosh, B. Adams, A. E. Hassan. The Evolution of ANT Build Systems. *In proc. of the 7th Working Conf. on Mining Software Repositories* (ACM/IEEE), pp. 42–51, May 2010. Acceptance rate: 16/51 or 31%.
 🏆 *Nominated for best paper award* 🏆

SHORT PAPERS IN REFEREED INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

- MSR'16a Challenge** J. G. Barnett, C. K. Gathuru, L. S. Soldano, S. McIntosh. The Relationship between Commit Message Detail and Defect Proneness in Java Projects on GitHub. *In proc. of the Mining Challenge track of the 13th Working Conf. on Mining Software Repositories* (ACM/IEEE), pp. 496–499, May 2016. Acceptance rate: 10/24 or 42%.
 🏆 *Mining challenge runner-up* 🏆
- MSR'16b Challenge** C. Désarmieux, A. Pecatikov, S. McIntosh. The Dispersion of Build Maintenance Activity across Maven Lifecycle Phases. *In proc. of the Mining Challenge track of the 13th Working Conf. on Mining Software Repositories* (ACM/IEEE), pp. 492–495, May 2016. Acceptance rate: 10/24 or 42%.
- MSR'14 Challenge** K. Yamashita, S. McIntosh, Y. Kamei, N. Ubayashi. Magnet or Sticky? An OSS Project-by-Project Typology. *In proc. of the Mining Challenge track of the 11th Working Conf. on Mining Software Repositories* (ACM/IEEE), pp. 344–347, May 2014. Acceptance rate: 9/19 or 47%.
- CSMR-WCRE'14 ERA** S. McIntosh, K. Legere, A. E. Hassan. Orchestrating Change: An Artistic Representation of Software Evolution. *In proc. of the Early Research Achievements (ERA) track of the 1st joint meeting of the Conf. on Software Maintenance and Reengineering and the Working Conf. on Reverse Engineering* (IEEE), pp. 353–357, Mar. 2014. Acceptance rate: 12/33 or 36%.

NOTABLE INVITED PAPERS AND TALKS

- SANER'16 FOSE** B. Adams, S. McIntosh. Modern Release Engineering in a Nutshell: Why Researchers should Care. *In proc. of the Future of Software Engineering (FOSE) track of the 23rd Int'l Conf. on Software Analysis, Evolution, and Reengineering* (IEEE), pp. 78–90, May 2016. *Invited paper.*
- COW'15** S. McIntosh. Building on an Unsound Foundation: How Release Pipelines can Impact our Predictive Models. *44th CREST Open Workshop, Predictive Modelling for Software Engineering*, UCL, London, UK, Nov. 2015.
- GERRIT'15** S. McIntosh. Mining Gerrit Repositories to Study the Impact of Modern Code Review Practices *Gerrit User Summit*, Mountain View, USA, Nov. 2015.
- FOSDEM'14** S. McIntosh, B. Adams, M. Nagappan, A. E. Hassan. Identifying Hotspots in Software Build Processes. *Free and Open Source Developers European Meeting*, Belgium, Feb. 2014.

AWARDS & RECOGNITION

- **Peter Silvester Faculty Research Award.** October 2016.
Dept. of Electrical and Computer Engineering, McGill University.
- **Governor General's Academic Gold Medal.** June 2016.
<https://www.gg.ca/document.aspx?id=15008>
- **Vanier Canada Graduate Scholarship.** Sep. 2012–Aug. 2015.
<http://vanier.gc.ca/>

ACADEMIC SERVICE**Program Committee Chair**

- Int'l Workshop on Release Engineering (RELENG'16)
- Int'l Workshop on Empirical Software Engineering in Practice (IWESEP'16)

Program Committee

- Int'l Conf. on Software Maintenance and Evolution (ICSME'17)
- Int'l Conf. on Object-Oriented Programming, Systems, Languages, and Applications (OOPSLA'17)
- Int'l Conf. on Mining Software Repositories (MSR'17)
- Int'l Conf. on Evaluation and Assessment in Software Engineering (EASE'17)
- Int'l Workshop on Empirical Software Engineering in Practice (IWESEP'17)
- Int'l Workshop on SoftWare ANalytics (SWAN'16)
- Int'l Conf. on Data Science and Advanced Analytics (DSAA'16)
- Int'l Conf. on Software Maintenance and Evolution (ICSME'16)
- Working Conf. on Mining Software Repositories (MSR'16)
- Int'l Workshop on Empirical Software Engineering in Practice (IWESEP'14)

Formal Tool Demonstrations Committee

- Int'l Symposium on the Foundations of Software Engineering (FSE'17)
- Int'l Conf. on Program Comprehension (ICPC'16)
- Int'l Conf. on Software Analysis, Evolution, and Reengineering (SANER'16)
- Int'l Conf. on Program Comprehension (ICPC'15)
- Int'l Conf. on Software Maintenance and Evolution (ICSME'14)
- Int'l Conf. on Program Comprehension (ICPC'14)

Artifact Evaluation Committee

- Int'l Symposium on the Foundations of Software Engineering (FSE'14)

Mining Challenge Committee

- Working Conf. on Mining Software Repositories (MSR'15)

Data Showcase Committee

- Working Conf. on Mining Software Repositories (MSR'16)
- Working Conf. on Mining Software Repositories (MSR'15)
- Working Conf. on Mining Software Repositories (MSR'13)

Reviewer

- Transactions on Software Engineering (TSE)
- Empirical Software Engineering (EMSE)
- IEEE Software
- Journal of Software and Systems (JSS)
- Journal of Information and Software Technology (IST)
- Public Library of Science ONE Journal (PLOS ONE)

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**Assistant Professor**

- **Dept. of Electrical and Computer Engineering, McGill University, Canada**
August 2015 - Present

Visiting Researcher

- **Principles Of Software Languages (POSL) Lab, Kyushu University, Fukuoka, Japan**
Description: Two month-long fully-funded visits to work with a research team in Japan
October 2013 - November 2013; October 2014 - November 2014

MENTORING & TEACHING EXPERIENCE**Doctoral Students**

- K. Gallaba (September 2016 - Present)
- K. Yamashita (September 2013 - Present)
Co-advised with Y. Kamei
Co-authored papers: EMSE'15a, IWPSE'15, MSR'14b, MSR'14c
- D. A. da Costa (February 2014 - Present)
Co-advised with Uirá Kulesza
Co-authored papers: TSE'16a, MSR'16a, ICSME'14b
- C. Tantiathamthavorn (June 2014 - September 2016)
Co-advised with A. E. Hassan
Co-authored papers: ICSE'16b, TSE'16c, TSE'16d, ICSE'15a
Most recent position: Postdoc at Queen's University
- P. Thongtanunam (August 2014 - September 2016)
Co-advised with A. E. Hassan
Co-authored papers: ICSE'16a, MSR'15, EMSE'16a
Most recent position: Postdoc at Queen's University

Master's Students

- R. Wen (September 2016 - Present)
- T. Fukushima (September 2013 - March 2015)
Co-advised with Y. Kamei
Co-authored papers: EMSE'16a, MSR'14b
- B. Ghotra (January 2014 - Present)
Co-advised with A. E. Hassan
Co-authored papers: ICSE'15b

Course Instructor

- ECSE 611: Software Analytics (Winter 2017)
- ECSE 321: Introduction to Software Engineering (Fall 2015, Fall 2016)

INDUSTRIAL EXPERIENCE**Software Engineer**

EMC² Corporation, Backup and Recovery Services, Canada

September 2010 - August 2012, January 2009 - August 2009, September 2007 - April 2008

Projects that I led:

- Improved an aging software build system comprised of more than 200,000 lines of build logic, which reduced the time consumed by a typical build by a factor of ten.
- Migration to a modern version control system, which allowed developers to maintain local branches and collaborate more effectively.

EDUCATION**Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)**

🏆 *Governor General's Academic Gold Medal* 🏆

Queen's University, Canada

September 2012 - July 2015

Thesis Title: "Studying the Software Development Overhead of Build Systems"

Supervisors: A. E. Hassan and B. Adams

Master of Science (MSc)

🏆 *Distinguished thesis award* 🏆

Queen's University, Canada

September 2009 - January 2011

Thesis Title: "Studying the Evolution of Build Systems"

Supervisors: A. E. Hassan and B. Adams

Bachelor of Applied Computing (BAComp)

University of Guelph, Canada

September 2003 - December 2008

Thesis Title: "Robotic Search in a Partially-Known Physical Environment"

Supervisor: Michael Liu