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EDUCATION

- **University of New South Wales (UNSW)** Sydney, Australia
Ph.D. - Computer Science and Engineering; 2023 - Present
- **University Of Technology Sydney** Sydney, Australia
Ph.D. - Computer Science and Engineering; 2021 - 2023
- **Beijing University of Posts and Telecommunications** Beijing, China
Bachelor & Research Master - Engineering; 2014 - 2021

PUBLICATIONS

- **(TDSC'22, CCF-A): Xiao Cheng**, Xu Nie, Ningke Li, Haoyu Wang, Zheng Zheng and [Yulei Sui](#). 2022. How About Bug-Triggering Paths? - Understanding and Characterizing Learning-Based Vulnerability Detectors. IEEE Transactions on Dependable and Secure Computing. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1109/TDSC.2022.3192419>
- **(ISSTA'22, CCF-A): Xiao Cheng**, Guanqin Zhang, Haoyu Wang, and [Yulei Sui](#). 2022. Path-Sensitive Code Embedding via Contrastive Learning for Software Vulnerability Detection. ACM SIGSOFT International Symposium on Software Testing and Analysis. DOI: <https://dl.acm.org/doi/abs/10.1145/3533767.3534371>
- **(TOSEM'21, CCF-A): Xiao Cheng**, Haoyu Wang, Jiayi Hua, Guoai Xu, and [Yulei Sui](#). 2021. DeepWukong: Statically Detecting Software Vulnerabilities Using Deep Graph Neural Network. ACM Trans. Softw. Eng. Methodol. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1145/3436877>
- **(OOPSLA'20, CCF-A, ACM SIGSOFT Distinguished Paper Award): Yulei Sui, Xiao Cheng**, Guanqin Zhang, and Haoyu Wang. 2020. Flow2Vec: value-flow-based precise code embedding. Proc. ACM Program. Lang. 4, OOPSLA. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1145/3428301>
- **(ICECCS'19, CORE-A): Xiao Cheng**, Haoyu Wang, Jiayi Hua, Miao Zhang, Guoai Xu, Li Yi, [Yulei Sui](#). 2019. Static Detection of Control-Flow-Related Vulnerabilities Using Graph Embedding. 24th International Conference on Engineering of Complex Computer Systems. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1109/ICECCS.2019.00012>.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- **41128 Software Analysis Studio** On campus
Subject lecturer Jan 2022 - Present
 - **Teaching software analysis:** Software Analysis a.k.a Program analysis is the process of automatically analyzing the behavior of computer programs such as correctness, robustness, safety and security.
- **Software Analysis, SSTC Software Engineering Studio** Remote
Subject coordinator and lecturer Jan 2022 - Present

SERVICES

- Artifact Evaluation Committee of ISSTA 2023, SAS 2023, FormalISE 2023
- Reviewer of ASE, FSE, ICSE, OOPSLA, TOSEM, SAS, ISSRE, SCAM, CSUR, SCAM

HONORS AND AWARDS

- 2022, Apple Scholars in AI/ML PhD fellowship nomination
- 2021 International Research Training Program Scholarship (IRTP) Offer
- NASAC prototype competition third prize (2020)
- ACM SIGSOFT Distinguished Paper Award (2019)
- 2016 Interdisciplinary Contest in Modeling, Honorable Mention

SKILLS SUMMARY

- **Languages:** Python, C++, Bash, JAVA, Objective-C
- **Frameworks:** Scikit, Pytorch, PyTorch Geometric, NLTK, Keras, Django
- **Tools:** Docker, GIT, PostgreSQL, MySQL, SQLite
- **Platforms:** Linux, Web, Windows, Alibaba Cloud
- **Soft Skills:** Leadership, Event Management, Writing, Public Speaking, Time Management