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SELECTED PROJECTS

Juju: Universal Operator Lifecycle Manager (OLM) 1

• A life-cycle manager for charmed operators for Kubernetes and traditional Linux apps, with declarative integration between operators for automated microservice integration for complex cloud workloads. I work in the core dev team (of 15). I maintain the main client (python-libjuju²), work on the facade api, charmhub integration and bug fixes on the main codebase³.

Pycket: A tracing JIT compiler for self-hosting Racket⁴

• PhD project on programming languages. Main developer and maintainer for 5 years. I re-designed the compiler front-end to make Racket bootstrap on Pycket, i.e., achieved a full Racket implementation on RPython framework. Developed performance analysis/debugging tools, theoretical models, implemented various optimizations and large number of run-time primitives. Maintained and improved the run-time data structure implementations (hash tables, vectors, structs etc.).

Rax: A full-stack nanopass compiler from a small subset of Racket to x86_64 assembly

• Open source project. Built and tested all the passes (e.g., closure conversion, register allocation, code-gen, etc.). Implemented optimizations, e.g. loop-invariant code motion, constant propagation, tail-calls etc.

HazirCevap (Witty): A closed domain question answering system for high school students

• MSc thesis project on natural language processing and machine learning (see Publications). I led the R&D by 3 faculties and 4 grad students. I developed a statistical model for question analysis, a reliability and relevance metric for webpages/documents, used the Indri engine for processing and retrieval for natural language answer generation, implemented both the front and back-end in Python.

FARS: Functional Automated Reasoning

• A resolution-refutation style automated theorem prover. I developed it for fun at first, then I turned it into a school project. Written all in Racket by myself.

PUBLICATIONS

- Flatt M., Derici C. Dybvig R. K., Keep A. et. al. "Rebuilding racket on chez scheme (experience report)", ICFP'19
- Derici C. et. al. "A closed-domain question answering framework using reliable resources to assist students" Natural Language Engineering'18
- Derici C. et. al. "Question analysis for a closed domain question answering system", CICLING'15
- Derici C. et. al. "Rule-based focus extraction in Turkish question answering systems", SIU'14
- Başar R. E., Derici C., and Şenol Ç. "World With Web: A compiler from world applications to JavaScript". Technical Report, Scheme and Functional Programming Workshop'09

EDUCATION

- PhD (Grad. 2021), CS, Indiana University, USA
- PhD CS, Boğazici University, Turkey (Dropped)
- MSc CS, Boğaziçi University, Turkey
- BSc CS, Istanbul Bilgi University, Turkey

EXPERIENCE

- Software Engineer II, Canonical Ltd, 2021-Present. Working in the Juju core team.
- Product Development Specialist, Asseco SEE, 2012-2013. Developed and tested virtual point-of-sale applications. Used Java, Tomcat, Spring, Mercurial, Jira, Jenkins.
- Course Instructor, Indiana University, Spring 2021. Introduction to Computer Science (HtDP Style Functional Programming).
- Teaching & Research Assistant, Indiana University, 2015-2020. Taught Advanced Compilers, Domain Specific Language Design, etc.
- Teaching Assistant, Istanbul Bilgi University, 2010 - 2013. Taught Data Structures & Algorithms, Programming Language Principles, Database Systems.

TECH SKILLS

Python Go Racket/Scheme/Lisp Java, C/C++ Haskell SQL, Matlab, R, CSS, JavaScript Linux **Docker, LXD - Containers** AWS, k8s - Cloud Clusters Git, Hg - Version Control Maven, Jenkins - Auto Deploy Travis, GH Actions - CI **MT-X** Goland, Emacs

AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIPS

- Full Scholarship for BSc, 2005-2010
- Research Scholarship for MSc (fully funded for 2 years)
- Scholarship for a research project on teaching natural languages to hearing impaired, 2014.

SPOKEN LANGUAGES

Turkish (native) English (living in US since 2015) ● ● ●



¹https://juju.is/

²https://github.com/juju/python-libjuju

³https://github.com/juju/juju

⁴http://www.github.com/pycket/pycket