# Dipesh Kafle

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Curious Software Engineer with a strong interest in Programming Languages, Formal Verification and Systems Programming.

#### Education

### National Institute of Technology Tiruchirappalli

2019-2023

B.Tech in Computer Science and Engineering

CGPA: 8.84/10

• Studied algorithms and data structures, discrete mathematics, computer architecture, operating systems, computer networks, databases, theory of computation, and compilers.

## **Work Experience**

**Uber** 07/2023 – Present

Software Engineer Bengaluru, India

- Primarily a backend engineer in the Trip Operations Platform team responsible for HITL (Human In The Loop) workflow orchestration and building a platform for knowledge workers.
- Working mostly with **Java**, **gRPC**, in-house dependency injection framework (based on **Spring Boot**), **Cadence** (A durable workflow orchestration engine), **Kafka** and **distributed databases** in my day to day work.
- Contributing to the frontend side of things as well using Typescript, React and GraphQL.

IIT Madras 07/2022 – 02/2024

Research Intern Remote

- Worked with Dr. KC Sivaramakrishnan and Dr. Kartik Nagar alongside a PhD student on a project that aimed to verify an OCaml style garbage collector with F\*/Low\*.
- Helped with the integration of the extracted verified code with the OCaml bytecode interpreter, ran real-world OCaml programs and ran benchmarks to analyze performance.
- Wrote a next-fit allocator in Rust which would then be hooked with the generated verified stop-the-world mark and sweep code. Analyzed performance using this before the bytecode interpreter integration.

**Tarides** 05/2023 – 07/23

**Software Engineering Intern** 

Remote

• Worked on developing Par\_incr, a library for incremental computation with support for freshly introduced parallelism constructs in OCaml.

CDAC Bangalore 02/2023 – 05/23

Research Intern Remote

- Developed a GCC plugin that transformed a familiar code snippet to highly optimized subroutines and another one that tuned loop unrolling heuristics based on linear regression model.
- Developed tool to visualize GCC's AST and filter out unnecessary information, to help with our program transformation experiments.
- Suggested potential ARM specific optimizations for future exploration.

Uber 06/2022 - 07/2022

Software Engineering Intern

Bengaluru, India

• Worked on improving reliability and observability of a service, involved setting up alerts and dashboards, integrating and collecting metrics, and error analysis.

## **Technical Projects**

#### Par incr

- A library for incremental computation with support for parallelism in **OCaml**. Other similar libraries lack parallelism constructs. The work is based on the paper Efficient Parallel Self-Adjusting Computation. [Slides]
- Wrote the library from scratch and thoroughly tested it.
- Identified performance bottlenecks through profiling and applied various optimization techniques in OCaml.
- Wrote benchmarks, compared the performance with other similar libraries, and achieved similar if not better performance on average.

#### **Code Character**

- A strategy-based programming game where you control troops in a turn-based game with the code you write in one of the multiple programming languages (C++, Python, Java) available in the game.
- Worked on the implementation of the simulator (C++)
- Worked on the game driver (Rust). Implemented the process orchestration, communication among the game processes, concurrent execution of games. Leveraged different system programming concepts, such as inter-process communication, unix processes, epoll, pipes, SPMC channels, etc in the implementation.

#### Enma

- A programming language written in C++ and OCaml.
- The language has a uni-directional type checker and can be compiled to bytecode or readable C++ code. The bytecode interpreter is written in OCaml.

## **BF JITs**

• Implemented Just In Time compilers for Brainfuck language using Dynasm and Inkwell crate (provides LLVM bindings) in **Rust**.

### **Pragyan CTF**

• Prepared challenges for Binary Exploitation/Reversing category, involving a small custom memory allocator, reversing SIMD instructions, and other common vulnerabilities.

## Talks and Writings

## **Understanding Memory Management**

• Slides, Video

## **Personal Blog**

- What is a Fixed Point Combinator?
- Non Local Jumps with setjmp and longjmp

### Skills

Programming: C, C++, Rust, OCaml, Java, Typescript, Python

Areas: Programming Languages, Systems Programming, Back-End Development, Databases

## Languages

• Nepali: Native proficiency

• **Hindi**: Native proficiency

• English: Fluent (Professionally)