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Education

Cornell University

Ithaca, NY

B.A. in Computer Science, Conc. in Programming Languages & B.A. in Philosophy, Conc. in Logic

August 2021 - May 2025

Research Experience

Carnegie Mellon University

Pittsburgh, PA

Software Verification Research Intern, Advised by [Dr. Jonathan Aldrich](#) & [Dr. Jonathan Sunshine](#)

May 2022 - Present

- Exploring the application of gradual verification to smart contracts on the *Algorand* blockchain platform in developing [Gradually Verified Teal](#). [Funded by Algorand](#).
- Investigated second-order logic optimization techniques for naive runtime assertions in Gradual C_0 , significantly optimizing benchmark results. [Funded by Amazon](#)
- Core contributor on the early development of a [Gradual Verification framework](#). Implemented a Property Based Testing tool¹ for evaluating soundness of [Gradual \$C_0\$](#) and developed formal proofs for establishing semantic correspondence between static and dynamic checks.

Cornell University

Ithaca, NY

Programming Languages Undergraduate Researcher, Advised by [Dr. Adrian Sampson](#)

October 2021 - December 2022

- Worked on a symbolic execution tool for verifying parallelism in Calyx.
- Implemented *Graphicionado Graph Analytics* algorithm in [Calyx](#) as a case study of the language and found/solved soundness bugs in the front-end. Worked in the [Computer Architecture & Programming Abstractions](#) group

Publications

- [1] Jan-Paul Ramos-Dávila **Evaluating Soundness of a Gradual Verifier with Property Based Testing**¹ In *Principles of Programming Languages Student Research Competition* [Link] [Presentation] [Poster] & In *Cornell Undergraduate Research Journal*, 2(1), 17–27. <https://doi.org/10.37513/curj.v2i1.696> [Link]

Projects

Incremental Specification Mining

[Cornell CS 6156 Runtime Verification](#)

- Instrumentation for Maven-based projects that *incrementally* mines specifications for runtime verification.
- Significantly decreases overhead for evolutionary-aware specification miners. Supports integration with [Javert](#) and [BDDMiner](#).

EtaC

[Cornell CS 4120 Intro to Compilers](#)

- Compiler for the [Eta programming language](#) in OCaml with ~ 7,200 lines of code.
- Made use of [Jane Street's expect testing suite](#) for ~ 90% code coverage.

RNAfoldml

[Cornell CS 3110 Functional Programming](#)

- OCaml package that enables users to input both RNA sequences in FASTA format and a set of constraints to predict RNA secondary structure.

Diffeq-lang

[Senior High School Project](#)

- Domain-specific language for automatically solving and graphing differential equations via a [web interface](#).

Awards and Honors

2023

Winner, Third Place: ACM SIGPLAN Symposium POPL SRC¹

2022

Travel Scholarship: ACM SIGPLAN Conference PLDI

2020 & 2021

Finalist, Mathematics: Regeneron International Science and Engineering Fair

Other Experience

Utrecht University

Student, [Advanced Functional Programming Summer School](#)

- Participated in a mix of lectures, labs and a busy social program, focused in Master's level Haskell programming.

Utrecht, Netherlands

July 2023

Volunteer Services

ACM SIGPLAN ICFP 2023

Student Volunteer

Seattle, WA

2023

Skills

Languages

OCaml, Scala, Python, \LaTeX , Haskell, JavaScript, Java, C, Racket, Rust, Assembly, English, Español, Italiano

Tools

Unix, Git, VSCode, IntelliJ IDEA, Shell, Neovim, Docker, Heroku