Kanak Das

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EDUCATION

University of California, Riverside

Sep 2022 - Current

PhD in Computer Science Advisor: Manu Sridharan

Research areas: Programming Languages, Trustworthy AI, Software Engineering

Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology

Feb 2015 - April 2019

Bachelor of Science in Computer Science and Engineering

Advisor: Md. Shohrab Hossain

PUBLICATIONS

Nima Karimipour, Kanak Das, Manu Sridharan, and Behnaz Hassanshahi. Practical Type-Based Taint Checking and Inference. 39th European Conference on Object-Oriented Programming (ECOOP 2025), 2025.

Ajoy Das, Kanak Das, and Md. Shohrab Hossain. An Integrated Inspection and Visualization Tool for Accurate Android Collusive Malware Detection. 7th International Conference on Networking, Systems and Security (NSysS 2020), 2020.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

University of California, Riverside

Sep 2022 - Current

Graduate Research Assistant

- Developed a lightweight Taint Rule Type Checker on top of the Checker Framework, balancing soundness and practicality. Enhanced usability with type annotation inference and evaluated its effectiveness on large open-source Java programs.
- Exploring abstract interpretation for neural network verification and interpretability.

Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology

Nov 2019 - May 2020

Research Assistant (part-time)

Contributed to a project Diving deep into the Security Testing of the Android Applications of Bangladesh, funded by Bangladesh ICT Innovation Fund.

Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology

June 2018 - April 2019

Undergraduate Thesis

Built an Inter Component Communication(ICC) based Collusive Malware Analysis and Visualization Tool to explore possible ICC based threats in Android apps.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Amazon Web Services(AWS)

Summer 2025

Incoming Applied Scientist Intern

OpenRefactory, Inc.

June 2019 - Aug 2022

Software Engineer, Lead Software Engineer

Worked on building developer tools using static analysis techniques. Developed and maintained Java checkers, integrated new technologies, and packaged products for various platforms. Key contributions include writing a checker for Java concurrency issues, bootstrapping static analysis frameworks for Python and TypeScript, improving serialization for better performance, converting core components to native code, and designing licensing schemes for multiple platforms.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of California, Riverside Graduate Teaching Assistant Advanced Software Testing and Analysis Principles of Programming Languages	Winter 2024 Fall 2023
HONORS	
Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award University of California, Riverside	2024
Dean's Distinguished Fellowship University of California, Riverside	2022
National Champion Bangladesh Chemistry Olympiad	2014
ACTIVITIES/SERVICES	
Invited to attend Programming Language Implementation Summer School	2025
Student Volunteer at POPL'25	2025
Student Volunteer at SPLASH'24	2024
Attended Oregon Programming Languages Summer School	2024