

# Gurnoor Bal

## Software Engineer (Backend / Data / Platform)

APIs • Data Pipelines • Cloud Infrastructure • Platform Systems

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## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### Korotu Technology Inc.

Toronto, ON

Full Stack Software Engineer (Co-op)

May 2023 – Apr 2024

- **Developed and deployed a cloud-hosted data analytics platform** using Python and Django to process multi-satellite datasets (Sentinel-1/2, GEDI, ICESat), enabling faster environmental analytics for internal users.
- **Built and optimized data ingestion and preprocessing pipelines** in Python, reducing end-to-end processing time by 35% and improving data consistency across satellite sources.
- **Implemented and integrated an ML-based modelling pipeline** (Random Forest, scikit-learn) to generate canopy height and carbon-mass estimates from satellite features, supporting downstream analytics and reporting.
- **Owned cloud infrastructure on Azure-based Linux servers**, configuring NGINX, SSL certificates, resource scaling, and monitoring to maintain stable production uptime.
- **Designed and built REST APIs** to serve cleaned and aggregated datasets, enabling downstream analytics and automated reporting workflows.
- **Improved system reliability by implementing logging, debugging, and error-handling workflows**, reducing recurring failures and stabilizing scheduled processing jobs.
- **Introduced structured Git branching and code review workflows**, reducing merge conflicts by 30% and improving the reliability of regular releases.

## PROJECTS

### ChestScan AI – Medical Imaging Analysis Platform (Python, PyTorch, Data Pipelines, Flask API, Web Interface)

- **Designed and implemented a medical imaging analysis pipeline** using PyTorch to process large-scale chest X-ray datasets (CheXpert, MIMIC), supporting multi-class image classification.
- **Integrated a CNN-based inference component** into the pipeline and **exposed predictions via a Flask-based API**, enabling real-time image analysis and structured output for downstream consumption.
- **Developed a web-based interface** to visualize model outputs and **support interpretability** through heatmap-style explanations, improving usability for non-technical users.
- **Coordinated development across a four-person team** using structured sprints and documentation, ensuring timely delivery of a user-facing technical product.

### TripTogether - Carpooling App (Dart, Firebase, Google Maps API)

- **Built a mobile application** supporting real-time trip creation and rider matching using Firebase authentication and live data updates.
- **Integrated Google Maps APIs** for routing, geolocation, and dynamic map rendering, enabling interactive trip visualization.
- **Designed user onboarding and fare calculation logic**, improving usability and supporting dynamic rider changes.

### Self-Driving Highway Simulation (Python, Algorithms, Traffic Optimization)

- **Developed a traffic simulation** modelling multi-lane autonomous vehicle behaviour, including acceleration, braking, and lane-change logic.
- **Implemented traffic optimization algorithms** that improved overall flow efficiency by 26% and documented system assumptions and results in a formal engineering report.

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

**Languages:** Python, SQL, JavaScript, Bash, C++

**Backend & APIs:** Django, Flask, REST APIs

**Frontend:** React, HTML, CSS

**Cloud & Infrastructure:** Microsoft Azure, Linux, Docker, NGINX

**Data & Pipelines:** Pandas, Data Pipelines, scikit-learn

**Tools & Practices:** Git/GitHub, CI/CD, Debugging, Agile/Scrum

## EDUCATION

### McMaster University

Hamilton, ON

Bachelor of Engineering (B.Eng.), Software Engineering

April 2025

- **Summa Cum Laude** | Dean's List | Golden Key International Honour Society
- **Relevant Coursework:** Data Structures & Algorithms, Operating Systems, Databases, Web Programming.