Kunal Rao

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EDUCATION

University of Alberta

Bachelor of Science in Computer Science, Specialization in Software Practice

Edmonton, AB

Relevant Coursework: Data Structures & Algorithms, Machine Learning, Database Management, Software Engineering, Operating Systems, Computer Architecture, Reinforcement Learning, Statistics, Data Science.

EXPERIENCE

Software Developer Co-op

January 2025 – Present

Expected Graduation: May 2026

Toronto, ON

Royal Bank of Canada (RBC)

• Develop Wealth Management Technology (WMT) components using Python, SQL, JavaScript, Java,

- and cloud technologies, enhancing the platform experience for 70,000+ financial advisors.
- Implement Azure DevOps, automated CI/CD pipelines, and cloud infrastructure best practices, reducing deployment time by 30% and improving system reliability and scalability.
- Develop real-time data pipelines using Kafka and GraphQL, optimizing data ingestion and streaming efficiency, cutting latency by 35%, and enabling seamless integration across wealth management systems.
- Built an AI financial assistant using LangChain, Azure OpenAI, ARIMA, and Snowflake to provide real-time investment insights with 85% accuracy.

Software Engineer

September 2023 - April 2024

S.P.E.A.R (Space Exploration Alberta Robotics)

Edmonton, AB

- Led the Mars rover development for 90%+ autonomous navigation, sensory integration, and object detection.
- Collaborated with teams to define project requirements, design **software architecture**, and conduct rigorous testing using **Agile** and **DevOps** methodologies.
- Enhanced rover autonomy by 30% through the integration of SLAM with LiDAR and IMU technologies and optimizing path planning, obstacle detection through TensorFlow-based computer vision algorithms.

Projects

 $\mathbf{MediCheck} \mid \mathit{Next.js}, \ \mathit{Java}, \ \mathit{Python}, \ \mathit{LangChain}, \ \mathit{Hugging} \ \mathit{Face}, \ \mathit{PostgreSQL}, \ \mathit{Redis} \mid \mathbf{HackEd} \ \mathbf{2025} - \mathbf{Winner}$

- Built a full-stack healthcare platform with Next.js and Java, enabling real-time patient-doctor interactions and cutting scheduling time by 40%.
- Built a custom RAG-based LLM pipeline with vector search and retrieval augmentation, improving medical response accuracy by 35% and reducing irrelevant recommendations.
- Optimized backend performance with **PostgreSQL**, **REST APIs**, and **Redis**, increasing data retrieval speed by 50% and ensuring seamless integration with AI-driven diagnostics.

StudyAmp | React, Python, FastAPI, LangChain, Gemini, Neural Networks, Muse 2 EEG | NatHacks 2024 Winner

- Built a real-time attention monitoring system using Muse 2 EEG and Brainflow, achieving 95% accuracy in tracking focus and live data synchronization.
- Engineered an AI-powered focus analysis tool with Gemini API RAG LLM and Neural Networks, improving focus retention by 30% and generating personalized summaries for low-focus segments.
- Developed a scalable **FastAPI backend** for real-time EEG data processing and audio analysis, supporting **multi-user sessions** efficiently.

Shelter For Women | React, Express.js, Firebase, Node.js, CSS | Morgan Stanley - Code To Give 2024 Winner

- Led the development of an intervention plan system, amplifying Le Chaînon's support for women in need.
- Implemented SMART-based goal-setting, increasing care plan customization by 80%.
- Built a real-time messaging and scheduling system using WebSockets, Firebase, and Google Calendar API, reducing response times by 50% and improving scheduling efficiency by 30%.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages: Python, C, C++, C#, Java, Java Script, ROS, Dart, Linux, Ruby, Go, GoLang, HTML, CSS, XML, R. Database Management: SQL, MongoDB, Firebase, AWS Cloud, Chroma DB, Snowflake, Kafka, Postgresql. Frameworks: React, Next.js, Node.js, Flask, JUnit, TensorFlow, PyTorch, Express.js, LangChain, Fast Api, Jest Developer Tools: Git, Docker, VS Code, PyCharm, IntelliJ, Android Studio, Linux, Flutter, Jira, Jenkins.