

# NIHAR GHARAT

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## Education

### University of Texas at Arlington

Jan 2022 - Dec 2023

MS in Computer Science, 3.8/4.0 GPA

**Graduate Teaching Assistant**, Data Mining(Dr. Elizabeth Diaz)

Spring 2023, Fall 2023

### University of Mumbai

Sep 2013 - May 2017

B. E in Electronics and Telecom, 7.3/10 CGPA

## Experience

### Full Stack Developer II, FedEx, Plano, Texas

Jan 2024 - Present

- **Product engineer** with Fedex Store Print team, focused on development of modernized Store application, a cloud-native app designed to unify all Fedex Office workflows. **Lead** the triage team in speedy issue analysis on production.
- Experience in working with **Adobe Magento** for ecom cart management, Angular for front-end, **Splunk**, and **AppDynamics for APM**.
- Identified application bottlenecks, and improved user experience. Improved **Splunk** backend service logging(Java service) for consistency; ideated, and led the development of newer dashboard for getting better metrics from Splunk logs.

### Software Developer Intern, FedEx, Plano, Texas

May 2023 - Aug 2023

- As a part of cloud first initiative, modernized legacy printAndGo application by developing new **REST APIs**(creating/consuming) on **Java 11 Spring Boot**.
- Led software design for **message-consuming(JMS)** module. **Led** a team of **4** to break down requirements into tasks to develop and deliver a cohesive solution.
- Won the **Technical Mastery award** for development and delivery effort as a team. Discovered performance **bottlenecks** by doing memory-footprint analysis(**VisualVM**), **recommended improvements** to the old **REST APIs** consumed when uploading **multi-part file resource** to the cloud. Presented the **prototype** to the FedEx technical leadership team.

### Senior Product Engineer, Lnt Infotech, Pune, India

Apr 2018 - Aug 2021

- Designed and implemented **REST APIs**(creating) for connector service - a **unified Java service** for metadata discovery and data fetching/writing from various sources. Sources included **RDBMS**(postgresql, MySQL, Snowflake, etc.), **cloud**(Azure Blob, S3, STFP); various **file formats**(XLSX, delimited, SAS7BDAT, JSON, XML), **noSQL** like mongoDB; and CRM platforms like **Salesforce**.
- Improved performance of Xlsx data parser by **~50%**, by identifying bottlenecks in Apache Poi implementation. Designed, implemented, and **maintained** new features like range read, **streaming** read, etc. for xlsx connector. **Owned/maintained** for various connectors like Xlsx, Json, Azure Blob, MySQL, etc.. Involved in containerisation effort with docker.
- Developed **bash scripts on Linux** for doing **automated performance benchmarking** for various connectors for Spark on K8S.
- Designed and developed functionality like **upsert** for RDBMS via spark, **mongoDb** authentication. Researched the feasibility of a connector for **Google Drive**. Developed a **POC** to demo the integrated functionality intra team.
- Contributed to maintenance and enhancement of **Spark** cluster processing for about **15** connectors.
- Worked on **cloud connectors** like Azure Blob, Amazon S3, GCS; with a major focus on **Azure Blob**. Worked on **other technologies** like Docker, Kubernetes, Sftp, CI/CD, Snowflake, SonarQube. Strong experience in Linux, with **Ubuntu** as the choice of development OS, extensively used **Jira** for issue tracking, **Git(maintainer of repo)** for VCS.

## Personal Projects

- **YouTube playlist backup** (private) 2022  
Designed and implemented a project to periodically backup youtube playlists to avoid loss(song names only) due to copyright strikes. The project is written in **Java 8**, performs multithreaded http requests, parses the html response(**regex**), and stores the necessary data pulled in **xlsx** format. **Cronned**(anacron) and **dockerized** the project to run periodically. Published to **docker hub** registry
- **Gym Workout Recommender with Neural Networks** ([Github link](#)) 2023  
Designed and implemented a workout recommender app based on users' workout history, profile, preferences, etc. Under Machine Learning course, written in **python3**, feature engineering in **pandas**, neural network on **Keras**.
- **The Portfolio with React/NextJS** ([Github link](#)) 2023  
Designed, implemented and deployed a web app from **scratch** using NextJS(React), TailwindCSS. Integrated **Google Analytics** for traffic analytics and deployed on **Vercel**.

## Skills

**Languages:** Java, Python, Javascript, HTML, CSS, Bash Script

**Databases:** MySql, Snowflake, PostgreSQL, MongoDB

**Frameworks and Tools:** Spark, NextJS, ReactJS, TailwindCSS, Pandas, Sftp, Ubuntu, Linux, Keras, Tensorflow, Spring Boot, SonarQube, Jenkins, Git, Github, Gitlab, Docker, Kubernetes, Jira, VsCode, Eclipse, IntelliJ, PyCharm, Sublime3, Cron(Anacron)

**Cloud:** Azure Blob, Amazon S3, Cloud Foundry