Tarana Ara

Software Developer

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Results-driven Full-Stack Software Developer with 4+ years of experience in designing and implementing scalable, high-performance applications. Proficient in modern tech stacks including React, TypeScript, Node.js, Java, ASP.NET, and cloud-native development (AWS Certified Solutions Architect). Adept at building distributed systems, microservices, and RESTful APIs, with expertise in MongoDB, PostgreSQL, and MySQL.

Passionate about clean code, test-driven development (TDD), and DevOps practices (CI/CD, Docker). Committed to Agile methodologies, collaboration, and continuous learning—delivering secure, efficient solutions that drive business value.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Programming Languages & Frameworks: React, TypeScript, Node.js, React Native, Java (Spring boot), C#,

ASP.NET

Databases: MongoDB, MySQL, PostgreSQL

Testing & Development: Unit Testing (Jest, Junit) & Test-Driven Development (TDD)

DevOps and Tools: CI/CD pipelines, Docker

Cloud & Certification: AWS Certified Solutions Architect - Associate, AWS Certified Cloud Practitioner

Version Control: Git/GitHub

Operating Systems: Linux OS, Windows, Mac OS

Soft Skills: Teamwork, Collaboration, Problem-solving, Agile methodologies

EDUCATION

Master of Software Engineering —Computer Science
Ontario Tech University, Oshawa, ON
Bachelor of Science —Computer Science & Engineering
Rajshahi University of Engineering & Technology, Bangladesh

January 2024

WORK EXPERIENCE

Technical Mentor - Full Stack Development

May 2024 - September 2024

MERN Stack Boot Camp course, ComIT, Calgary, AB

 Mentored developers in MERN stack (React, Node.js,Express.js, MongoDB), delivering hands-on training in REST APIs, database modeling, and deployment while providing 1:1 code reviews, Git version control, and Agile methodology implementation for real-world team environments

Graduate Research & Teaching Assistant

September 2021 – December 2023

Ontario Tech University, Oshawa, ON

Technical Development & IoT Research (Embedded Software & IoT Lab)

- Developed and optimized TSCH-Sim (a discrete-event IoT network simulator) using JavaScript, Node.js, and Express.js, improving simulation accuracy by 20% and reducing energy consumption by 30%
- Designed RESTful APIs to enable dynamic network reconfiguration via MATLAB co-simulation, leveraging JSON for data exchange
- Implemented a Reinforcement Learning algorithm for real-time scheduling in wireless networks, reducing latency and enhancing data transmission efficiency

Teaching & Technical Mentorship

• Led labs/tutorials for 3 courses (Discrete Math, Software Quality, Intro to Programming), emphasizing OOP, graph theory, and software testing

Research Publications & Conferences

- Published 4 peer-reviewed papers on IoT networks (IEEE PIMRC, FNC, JUSPN, SensorNet), focusing on TSCH optimization, co-simulation, and Reinforcement Learning
- Presented research at IEEE PIMRC 2024 (Spain) and FNC 2022 (Canada), discussing IoT protocols, energy efficiency, and API-driven simulations

Lecturer/Instructor, Computer Science

January 2019 - December 2019

Bangladesh Army University, Bangladesh

• Delivered courses and sessional in C Programming & Database Systems, designed hands-on labs, and mentored students on technical projects

Lecturer/Instructor, Computer Science

January 2018 - December 2018

Bangladesh University of Business & Technology, Bangladesh

• Taught Data Structures and Database Design, guiding students in project implementation

PROJECTS

- **Pet Adoption App**: A full-stack web application built with React + TypeScript on the frontend and Node.js + Express + MongoDB on the backend, designed to manage pet adoption registrations efficiently. [git-link]
- Library Management: RESTful API using Java's spring framework and PostgreSQL, React, and Bootstrap empowering efficient management of library resources including adding new collections, updating information, deleting, and retrieving comprehensive book data [git-link]
- **Dynamic UI**: Developed a dynamic and responsive student registration form built using modern web development tools including Typescript, React, Vite, Tailwind, React bootstrap [git-link]
- MERN Stack Application: Developed a dynamic full-stack web application to meticulously track exercise routines, showcasing proficiency in React, Node.js, Express, and MongoDB (MERN-stack) [qit-link]
- Payroll Management System: Spearheaded the development of a comprehensive web application for seamless management of employee payment systems, utilizing core Typescript and tailwind to ensure efficient functionality [git-link]
- Movie Catalog .NET Application(Blazor): Architected a cutting-edge .NET application utilizing the Blazor framework and MySQL database, enabling seamless management of a movie catalog with features for viewing, creating, editing, and deleting entries [git-link]
- ASP.NET KnowledgeWebApp: Developed a dynamic web application using ASP.NET framework with C#, providing users with a platform to register, login, and explore a variety of general knowledge questions, demonstrating expertise in ASP.NET development [ait-link]
- Patient Management: Constructed a robust system for managing patient data, leveraging the MERN stack and deployed on AWS Cloud infrastructure (Elastic Beanstalk) using CodePipeline for continuous integration and continuous deployment (CI/CD) in Ubuntu environment

WEBSITES LINK

Portfolio Link: https://taranagit.github.io/
Github Link: https://github.com/TaranaGit