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OBJECTIVE

Results-driven Software Engineer with 1+ years of experience in backend development, API design, cloud computing, and ML workflows. Passionate about building scalable microservices using Python, Golang, Java, and AWS. Experienced in REST API development, CI/CD, security automation, and AI-driven applications.

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Technology in Computer Science Engineering

Gayatri Vidya Parishad College of Engineering, Visakhapatnam, India

TECHNICAL SKILLS

- Backend Development: Python, Golang, Java, RESTful API Design, Microservices
- Databases: MySQL, PostgreSQL, DynamoDB, Vector Databases
- Cloud & DevOps: AWS (EC2, S3, Lambda, API Gateway), Docker, Kubernetes, Terraform
- AI & ML: LangChain, RAG (Retrieval-Augmented Generation), LLM Integration
- Automation & CI/CD: Jenkins, GitHub Actions, Shell Scripting, CI/CD Pipelines
- Security & Compliance: OAuth 2.0, OIDC, Secure API Development
- Networking & System Internals: L2/L3, VxLAN, OAM, Telemetry, Data Center Spine-Leaf
- Tools & Frameworks: Flask, FastAPI, Redis, Celery, JIRA, Git, Docker

EXPERIENCE

Software Automation Engineer

Cisco, Bangalore, India

July 2024 - Present

CGPA: 9.3

- Designed and developed scalable microservices and REST APIs using Python, Golang, and Java.
- Developed and maintained AI-powered automation frameworks for cloud security solutions.
- Led CI/CD automation using Jenkins and GitHub Actions, reducing deployment time by 40%.
- Implemented AWS-based solutions (EC2, S3, DynamoDB, API Gateway) for cloud security applications.
- Ensured compliance with OAuth 2.0, OIDC, and secure API development best practices.
- Conducted **performance testing and optimizations** for high-availability cloud systems.

Technical Intern - Enterprise Networking

Jan 2024 - June 2024

Cisco, Bangalore, India

- Developed a QoS Calculator and Visualizer for optimizing enterprise network performance.
- Built an internal API-driven automation framework to streamline network diagnostics.
- Contributed to **network performance monitoring** and anomaly detection using AI models.

PROJECTS

Scalable REST API for Enterprise Applications

Built a high-performance API backend for enterprise-grade applications.

- Developed using FastAPI, Golang, and Java, optimized for low-latency responses.
- Integrated JWT-based authentication, OAuth 2.0, and RBAC for security.
- Deployed and managed on AWS with auto-scaling, API Gateway, and DynamoDB.

AI-Powered RAG Model for Security Threat Analysis

Implemented a Retrieval-Augmented Generation model for threat intelligence.

- Used LangChain, vector databases, and LLM integration for security analysis.
- Optimized model inference with fine-tuned embeddings and cloud deployment.

CI/CD Pipeline Automation

Automated software deployment and monitoring using Jenkins and AWS.

- Implemented **Jenkins pipelines** for automated testing and deployment.
- Optimized deployment workflows, reducing release cycles by 30%.

CERTIFICATIONS & ACHIEVEMENTS

- AWS Certified Solutions Architect Associate
- Foundational Course on Generative AI NVIDIA
- Machine Learning Research Paper Published
- Cisco GEN AI Hackathon Finalist Developed AI-driven automation solutions.
- Certified in Python for Network Automation