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Software Engineer, Databricks

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EXPERIENCE

Databricks Software Engineer IV

Sep 2025 - Present

HYD May 2023 - July 2023

Building our unified online schema migration infrastructure for multicloud, multi-DBMS environments at scale. Schema Council member responsible for company-wide schema optimization and approval.

Software Engineer III

Jul 2024 - Sep 2025

Wrote the Scala-DSPy library and led the design of an agentic RCA framework for database incidents, setting org-wide LLM integration patterns. Improved SQL query scoring and optimization systems across MySQL & TiDB environments. Won 3 consecutive global eng hackathons (#2, #1, #2).

Uber

HPX

Software Engineer Intern

Designed and implemented a parallelized, fault-tolerant data pipeline with redundancy, DQ checks, and monitoring. Built using PySpark, Piper and HDFS enabling the secure migration of 50+ TB, our team's largest migration to date.

Remote May 2022 - Sept 2022 Google Summer of Code '22, Open Source Dev

Optimized HPX's stdlib implementation by improving compiler codegen (GCC, Clang & ICPX), achieving an 8× AVX256 & 16× AVX512 speedup. Implemented the par_unseq & unseq policies for <algorithm>, contributing to the C++ std.

Researcher at Computer Systems Group @ IIIT-H ii Jan 2022 - May 2024 For Intel, optimized their STAR DNA aligner by developing a novel vectorization approach, achieving a 4x speedup for critical kernels under Dr. Suresh Purini.

Teaching Assistant at IIIT-H

iii Jan 2022 - May 2024

TA for Algorithm Analysis & Design, Computer Systems Organization, Software Programming for Performance; built & introduced Binary Bomb & Optimization Benchmark judges into curriculum.

Admin at Programming Club @ IIIT-H **a** Jan 2021 - May 2024 Founded India's then largest ICPC training camp with 4000 students from top institutes. Designed problem sets for contests with 20k+ global participants (CodeForces, CodeChef) and delivered algorithm lectures to 120+ students.

PROJECTS

- KBLAS C Benchmark Library & Hand-Vectorized BLAS Implementation for High-Performance Linear Algebra operations. Outperforms industry-used BLIS in L1 operations (up to 2x-4x across different tests) & Stream memory bandwidth benchmarks.
- Sewing-Machine Realized 130x speedup in Needleman-Wunsch algorithm by optimizing recurrence processing, cache utilization, and leveraging ILP via multi-threading & vectorization. Recognized by Intel Labs - Slides.
- Syscalls, User Processes & Process Schedulers for xv6-riscv Operating System, and other OS utilities like an Interactive Shell with piping, redirection, and zsh commands, in C.
- Racket-Craft A Racket implementation of a nanopass compiler for (a subset of) Racket to x86asm compilation. Optimization passes include DSATUR graph coloring for register allocation & tail-call optimization

EDUCATION

B.Tech. in Computer Science Engineering

- IIIT Hyderabad **J**une 2020 - May 2024
- CGPA: 9.47 (in-major), 9.01 (overall)
- Honors Dean's List $(1\times)$ Merit List $(2\times)$

AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS

ACM-ICPC (fightFight)

- Asia-West Continent Finalist 2022 (#19 globally)
- Amritapuri Onsite Regional 2023 (AIR 9)
- Amrita All-India Online Qualifier 2022 (AIR 10)

CodeForces (akcube) Peak rating: 2114, (Master | India Rank

Meta Hacker Cup

Ranked 472 globally in Round 2. Was one of 28 Indians to qualify for Round 3.

Google Coding Competitions

- Hashcode 2022: Ranked 296 / 10k teams. #21 in India.
- Kickstart 2022: Ranked 110 / 7.2k globally (Round B), 185 / 9k (Round F), 129 / 12.3k (Round G)
- CodeJam: Ranked 3777 globally (2021), 2192 globally (2022) in Round 2
- Winner, Megathon 2022 (National hackathon with 700+ participants, Prize: 2 Lakhs). Developed an MVP mobile app for Stellantis, integrating Nvidia Instant NeRFs and a novel Dynamic Programming solution to build a gamified incentive-driven environment for drivers.
- Winner, Al Hackfest (Bahrain Polytechnic & Microsoft, Prize: \$3000). Engineered a glove with 5 flex sensors to convert hand signs to audio using TTS & an app utilizing Azure cognitive services to provide near real-time audio descriptions of surroundings for visually impaired individuals
- Winner, Turing Cup '24 Programming contest organized by TuringHut, VNRVJIET. (1400+ national participants)

WRITING & TALKS

- akcube.github.io Publish detailed notes, tutorials, and learnings on topics including HPC, algorithms, databases, LLMs, ML and finance. 58+ blogs and 100+ monthly readers.
- Delivered a national lecture on Centroid Decomposition & Auxiliary Trees as part of India's largest ICPC training camp, viewed by 700 participants.
- Delivered talks to audiences of over 50+ people as a moderator for the Theory Reading Group @ IIIT-H. Organized regular meetups and covered topics such as High Performance Computing -Slides
- Built Programming Club @ IIIT-H's website using Jekyll. Hosted using github pages. (10k+ yearly visitors)
- Stack Overflow member @KISHORE_ZE (1456 points)

SKILLS

| C++ Python Scala SQL Java Bash |
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| Databases RDS / Azure Kubernetes |
| Inference PySpark DSPy/LLMs |
| AVX/Vectorization CUDA Bazel |
| Query Optimization |