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ABOUT ME

Computer Science Master's student at University at Buffalo with 4+ years of experience in automation, data systems, and AI-driven solutions. Strong experience in building cloud-native, scalable, and secure infrastructure solutions, with deep DevOps, monitoring, and automation expertise.

EDUCATION

Master of Science in Computer Science [CGPA – 3.83/4] Bachelor of Technology in Computer Science [CGPA - 8.31/10] University at Buffalo, NY [Aug 2024 - Dec 2025] PES University, IN [Aug 2016 - July 2020]

SKILLS

- Programming Languages: Python, C++, Java, SQL, JavaScript, Typescript, HTML, CSS, GoLang
- AI: LLMs, Prompt Engineering, LangChain, LangGraph, LangSmith, Vector Embeddings
- ML: Time-series Forecasting, Jupyter, Matplotlib, Pandas
- Cloud/DevOps: AWS, Azure, GCP, Docker, Kubernetes(AKS), Prometheus, Grafana, Jenkins, Spark
- Data Systems: Kafka, PostgreSQL, DynamoDB, Redis, Chroma DB, Spark, ElasticSearch, Firestore, Snowflake
- Frameworks: Spring Boot, FastAPI, Flask, Streamlit, .NET, Node JS, Flutter, React JS, Hibernate, Pandas Profiling
- Tools / OS: Git, Jira, Slack, Sonar, Kibana, LINUX/UNIX, Ansible, Terraform, ETL, EMR, Pydantic, LLMs
- Relevant Coursework: Object-Oriented design (OOPs), Data Structures & Algorithms, Databases (DBMS), Reinforcement Learning, Web Development, Data Intensive Computing, Artificial Intelligence

WORK EXPERIENCE

Full-Stack Developer Intern | Humanity Founders | San Francisco, CA

May 2025 – Present

- LLM Automation: Built an LLM-driven outreach engine with GPT-40, reduced manual workload by 80% through intelligent communication automation while boosting actionable insights.
- **Project Ownership:** Led backend development for *Willow*, a real-time platform **supporting mission-critical workflows** for social ventures.
- Architecture & Engineering: Designed scalable APIs and relational schemas using Django and PostgreSQL, ensuring reliability and maintainability.
- Client Collaboration: Worked directly with the client to translate evolving business needs into technical features and product decisions.

Senior Software Engineer | Optum, UHG | Bengaluru, IN

Jan 2023 – July 2024

- Pipeline Automation: Spearheaded an innovative automated framework leveraging AWS Lambda, integrated with SQS & SNS implemented using Terraform, containerization using AWS slashing manual intervention by over 70%.
- ETL Performance Optimization: Engineered an indexing strategy for Parquet file queries, reducing latency by 60% and boosting ETL throughput by 45% maintaining the compliances and security monitorings.
- **Data Consolidation:** : Crafted a high-performance, **distributed data pipeline** to aggregate **130M+ records**, leveraging advanced ETL, **real-time analytics**, and accelerated data modeling to drive faster, data-driven decisions.
- Cost Efficient: Revolutionized cluster management by deploying a serverless EMR solution replacing manual provisioning with elastic scaling, cutting costs by 40% and boosting operational agility.

Software Engineer | Optum, UHG | Bengaluru, IN

Aug 2020 - Dec 2022

- Growth & Retention: Architected a Snowflake based data platform to boost tenant onboarding by 80% and retention to 90%, driving revenue growth through seamless integrations and data-driven insights.
- Cost Intelligence Predictive Analytics: Designed a real-time cost estimation dashboard leveraging ETL pipelines, data warehousing, and OLAP processing, reducing cost variability and enhancing financial forecasting accuracy by 90%.
- Leadership & Cross-Functional Collaboration: Conducted code/design reviews to uphold quality standards. Resolved 100+ critical customer escalations via root-cause analysis. Mentored 4+ new hires on tools and workflows. Owned end-to-end delivery of customer requested software enhancements, fostering teamwork across various teams.
- **Rostering Application**: Created a **Spring Boot** rostering application with **SOLID** design, achieving 99.9% peak traffic uptime, enhanced query performance ~ 40% through indexing, and rigorous load testing with JMeter and JProfiler.

Software Developer Intern | Shadowfax Technologies

Jan 2020 - Aug 2020

- Scalable Bulk Upload: Deployed an asynchronous bulk upload system with Celery, cutting CSV processing time by 60% while preventing web freezes. Optimized concurrency for seamless handling of 10GB+ files.
- **Process Automation**: Coded a **Python** log analyzer (30% faster error detection) that improved error detection speed by 30%, identifying issues missed by Sonar and enhancing debugging efficiency.

PROJECTS

Therapy AI-Mental Wellness Chatbot [Link]

May 2025

• Implemented a real-time voice AI mental health companion using **Mistral 7B LLM**, **fine-tuned** with **LoRA** for empathetic response, using **Google TTS** for voice generation and integrated with **RAG** for personalized therapeutic support.

Willow [Link] April 2025

• Built an **LLM-powered multi-agent** outreach system using **GPT-40** + **Twilio APIs** for scalable communication automation. Integrated API and database workflows to reduce **manual effort by 80%** and enhance insight generation.

InsightOuery [Link]

Jan 2025

• Developed an Python based **LLM-first analytics tool** using LLaMA and Streamlit that auto-generates **context-aware visualizations** and data narratives via intent-aware prompts, using **vector embeddings** reducing **analysis time by 70%** and achieving 4.8/5 usability from 50+ users.

Forecaster [Link] Nov 2024

 AI-driven time-series platform with causal-temporal modeling and adaptive recommendation engines predicts restaurant SKU demand (weather/order patterns), cutting stock outs by 50% and waste by 40% while enabling hyper-personalized interactive menus.

ACHIEVEMENTS & AWARDS

- Publication: Published a paper on Bike Count Sharing Prediction Using Machine Learning in Ijaresm. [Publication Link]
- **Hackathon Winner:** Won the Humanity Founders Hackathon with an AI-driven outreach tool, performance led directly to a Full Stack Developer Internship offer.
- Excellence Award: Won a performance excellence award for Top Performer of the quarter worth \$500.