KARTIK PAGEY

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Ex-Software Engineer pursuing a Master's Degree, aspiring to apply data-driven and backend expertise as a Full-Stack Software Engineer.

EDUCATION

Stony Brook University, USA

Aug 2025 - May 2027

Master of Science in Data Science

Coursework: Data Structures & Algorithms, Database Systems, Cloud Computing, System Design, Computer Vision

Savitribai Phule Pune University, India

Aug 2016 - May 2020

Bachelor of Engineering in Electronics and Telecommunications

Coursework: Object-Oriented Programming, Operating Systems, Computer Networks and Security, Machine Learning

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

PricewaterhouseCoopers (PwC)

Oct 2022 - Jul 2025

Software Engineer

- Developed end-to-end modules leveraging Java, Spring MVC, JSP and JavaScript, increasing transaction throughput by 30% for global retail clients.
- Engineered high-performance **REST APIs and microservices**, reducing the average response latency by 25% and enabling seamless integration with third-party payment, logistics, and CRM systems.
- Orchestrated and automated backend job pipelines using **CronJobs**, **REST services**, and **Database triggers**, reducing manual dependencies by 45% and improving adherence to SLA.
- Designed and optimized CI/CD pipelines (Git, Jenkins, Cloud Commerce), cutting the deployment effort by 40% and accelerating release cadence across multi-region environments.
- Drove **Agile** delivery as part of a cross-functional team, leading **sprint planning**, peer code reviews, and release readiness, ensuring high-quality deliverables under tight deadlines.
- Spearheaded key back-end optimizations by refactoring service logic, decreasing average API response time by 20ms and enabling the team to ship features 15% faster than before. Monitored performance using Kibana and Dynatrace.

Cognizant Technology Solutions

Nov 2020 - Oct 2022

Software Engineer

- Engineered and deployed scalable **RESTful microservices** using **Java, Spring Boot, and MySQL**, improving system throughput and reliability through asynchronous request handling.
- Formulated modular **service layers** and implemented **API orchestration** to synchronize data across distributed components, ensuring consistency and fault tolerance.
- Constructed reusable **backend utilities** for logging, authentication, and exception handling, reducing duplicate code by 25% and standardizing project-level practices.
- Implemented comprehensive unit, integration, and regression tests with JUnit and Mockito, achieving 80%+ code coverage and enhancing release stability.

PROJECTS

EventBooker-Pro - Java, Spring, JPA, MySQL, REST APIs, System Design

- Architected a scalable movie ticket booking platform using **Spring Boot**, **Java**, **MySQL**, and **JPA/Hibernate**, enabling multi-city support, 3+ seat categories, and 40% faster booking throughput with secure authentication.
- Structured relational data models and **RESTful APIs** to handle **1000+ concurrent bookings**, integrating payment gateway (UPI, Credit Card, Net Banking), coupon validation, and analytics-ready transaction logs.
- Implemented **JPA/Hibernate** for ORM and optimized query execution, improving booking throughput by 40% and ensuring consistency under peak load.

MovieMatch-Studio - Python, pandas, NumPy, scikit-learn, Streamlit, TMDB API, requests/JSON, pickle

- Built and Launched a content-based movie recommender system using Python, scikit-learn, pandas, and Streamlit, serving top-K movie recommendations with cosine similarity on TMDB data.
- Integrated the **TMDB API** to fetch movie metadata and posters, and released the app on **Heroku** with environment-based secrets and pickled model artifacts for fast inference.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Programming Languages: Java, Python, C/C++, R, JavaScript, SQL

Backend & Frameworks: Spring MVC, Spring Boot, JSP, REST/SOAP APIs, JPA/Hibernate, SAP Hybris

DevOps & Analytics: Jenkins, Bitbucket, Jira, Postman, Tableau, Power BI, Kibana, Dynatrace, Solr, SonarQube, Excel Web & Cloud Tools: HTML, CSS, XML, JSON, Jupyter, Git, Agile, SAP Commerce Cloud

Data Science & Libraries: Pandas, NumPy, Scikit-learn, OpenCV, Matplotlib

ACHIEVEMENTS & EXTRACURRICULAR

- SAP Certified Development Professional SAP Commerce Cloud Developer.
- Honored with 3 PwC 'Star' Awards and 'Above N Beyond' Award for leading backend architecture and optimization
- Led a 250+ member team as Operations Head for Aarohan Fest (MIT-WPU Pune); managed a \$90K+ budget, secured \$40K+ sponsorships, and executed 60+ events for 15K+ participants, improving efficiency by 35-40%.