ISHANT SIKDAR

Software Engineer | Java | Spring Boot | Node.js | SQL | AWS

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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Backend Software Engineer with 1.5+ years' experience in shipping production-ready **fintech** and **entertainment** systems at scale. Skilled in **Java, Spring Boot, Node.js, SQL** and **AWS**, with a strong foundation in **algorithms** & **system design**. Proven ability to reduce API latency, architect high-availability systems, optimize databases and ship features from dev to prod. Looking to build robust and scalable systems in fast-paced engineering teams.

SKILLS

Languages & Frameworks: Java, Spring Boot, Hibernate, Node.js, TypeScript, JavaScript. **Databases & Tools**: MySQL, PostgreSQL, MongoDB, Redis, SQL, NoSQL, JPA, ORM.

Cloud & DevOps: AWS, Docker, GitHub Actions, CI/CD, Linux, Git. Frontend: React.js, Redux Toolkit, React Query, TailwindCSS Others: Agile, Scrum, Jira, DSA, LLD, HLD, System Design.

EXPERIENCE

Software Development Engineer - Intern to Full-time

FUTY – Remote (London HQ – Entertainment & Fintech Startup) July 2024 – July 2025

- Developed & Maintained key software modules in entertainment gaming and finance apps across DEV, UAT and PROD.
- Reduced API latency by 90% in a realtime battleship-style game using async processing & caching via Queues & Redis.
- Built a high availability fantasy sports platform "FUTY" to 2K+ users by React, Tailwind, and served via AWS S3 + CloudFront.
- Refactored the core AWS S3 module to support MinIO compatibility, enabling self-hosted object storage infrastructure.
- Developed a robust Loan Management System via Node, React, & SQL, enhancing reliability & reducing errors in loan tracking.
- Mentored and assisted team members in problem solving, guidance and code reviews to ensure quality standards.
- Collaborated with cross-functional teams to ensure clarity and timely delivery of product's features under strict deadlines.

Backend Engineer - Intern

Opalina Technologies – Noida, Uttar Pradesh - (Fintech Service Company) Nov 2023 – May 2024

- Architected & developed a robust Loan Management System using Java, Spring Boot and MongoDB from DEV, UAT to PROD.
- Orchestrated high-throughput loan workflows for ~1,000 end users, maintaining zero downtime across financial partners.
- Optimized backend throughput by over 60% under load by leveraging Java multithreading for concurrent processing.
- Reduced MongoDB query response times by 70% through optimized aggregation pipelines and DB indexing strategies.
- Participated in and facilitated Agile sprints, sprint planning, and peer code reviews in a fast-paced team environment.

PROJECTS

Mindo - Al EdTech Platform

June 2024 - Present

A solo full-stack project that helps learners generate custom learning paths, quizzes, and curated YouTube content using AI.

- Developed and containerized REST APIs with Node.js and NestJS (Fastify), deployed on AWS EC2.
- Configured websockets to enable real-time chat across app users for community interactions.
- Designed and normalized a relational schema for users, quizzes, roadmaps, and scraped content using PostgreSQL.
- Engineered learning roadmaps and quizzes by integrating GPT-4 via the OpenAl API.
- Utilized YouTube Data v3 API to curate contextually relevant video resources.
- Developed an interactive single-page web app with React and Tailwind CSS for a seamless user experience.

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Solved 250+ problems on LeetCode, demonstrating strong DSA and problem-solving skills.
- Earned the AWS Cloud Essentials Badge from Amazon, validating foundational cloud knowledge and AWS services.
- Achieved 2.5K+ weekly impressions on LinkedIn by posting daily insights on Java, backend engineering, and system design.
- Finalist among 100+ teams in a college-level hackathon, building a full-stack project under tight deadlines.

EDUCATION

Maharaja Surajmal Institute, Delhi (2022 - 2025)

Bachelor's, Computer Science, CGPA: 8.9

Relevant coursework: Data Structures, Database Management System, Operation Systems, Computer Networks.