# GAURAV KUMAR

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## Education

MAY 2019 B. Tech. MECHANICAL ENGINEERING **IIT Kanpur** 7.6/10.0 APRIL 2015 Class XII (CBSE) SECONDARY DELHI PUBLIC SCHOOL, GAYA 94.8%

# Work Experience

### Lead Cloud Development Engineer at Citrix

July'25-Ongoing

• Added Enlightened Data Transport support in the CGS tool to enable secure, low-latency communication over UDP for virtual apps and desktops.

### Senior Software Engineer at Fortanix Inc.

June'19-June'25

- ArmetAI Team
  - \* Contributed to the design and development of a confidential Retrieval-Augmented Generation (RAG) pipeline.
  - \* Implemented core backend services and integrated all microservices.
  - \* Designed and implemented attestation mechanisms for a new AMD Confidential VM platform with GPU support, enhancing security and verification processes.
  - \* Architected and implemented security hardening for the Qdrant vector database.
  - \* Added protections against prompt injection, jailbreak attacks, toxicity, PII exposure, and hallucination in the RAG pipeline.
  - \* Packaged and configured Armet AI services for deployment in Customer-Managed VPCs.

#### • Confidential Computing Manager (CCM) Team

- \* Conceived and implemented a confidential data clean room.
- \* Spearheaded the Multi-Party Support feature, enabling collaborative workflow creation and execution across multiple accounts.
- \* Developed a microservice for workflow monitoring, enabling efficient tracking and management of workflows.
- \* Contributed to integration with Azure Container Instances.
- \* Played a key role in the launch of the CCM SaaS product, a revolutionary platform for confidential computing (https://ccm.fortanix.com).
- \* Architected and implemented core back-end functionalities, including the development of initial REST APIs, metering, and audit-logging microservices.
- \* Delivered advanced features such as DCAP attestation support, multiple container registry configuration per account, Node Agent packaging, and an Operator for the CCM Node Agent.
- \* Enabled DCAP attestation support during secure backend cluster join, enhancing trust verification in distributed environments.
- $\ast\,$  Migrated CCM services to run on Ubuntu 24.04.

### • Data Security Manager

- \* Designed and developed a Kubernetes plugin to encrypt secrets and ConfigMaps stored in etcd using DSM.
- \* Implemented a plugin to securely inject secrets directly into Kubernetes workloads.

# Technical Skills

Programming Skills: Rust: 5y, C++: 3y, Python: 2y, Go: 3y, C: 2y

AI Skills: RAG, Prompt Engineering, Vector Databases, Embeddings, MCP Container Management: Docker, Kubernetes, OpenShift, Helm, Operator, Docker Compose

Cloud: Azure, AWS, GCP, IBM Cloud

Database: Cassandra, CockroachDB, Qdrant, Redis

**Debugging:** gdb, strace Automation/Build: Jenkins

Observability: Grafana, Splunk