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EDUCATION

• Thapar Institute of & Engineering Technology Bachelor of Technology - BTech; 8.6 CGPA Patiala, Punjab

2020 - 2024

 Kendriya Vidyalaya No 2 XII, PCM; 95% Boards Ferozepur Cantt, Punjab 2007 – 2020

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OPEN SOURCE AND VOLUNTEERING

• Google Summer of Code

Remote, Remote

Contributed to ScummVM under GSoC'23 - Project link

May 2023 - Sept 2023

- Audio Mixers and Graphics: Added support for new audio formats and improved frame rendering algorithms including optimizations and pixel-by-pixel drawing.
- BuildBot (CI/CD): Fixed deployment warnings, memory leaks and added support for screenshot matching between subsequent builds.
- Compiler Optimization: Fixing bugs in compilers and adding edge cases in code, Compiling Lingo to C++ using Yacc Parser.
- **Debugging**: Using tools like GDB, and ASAN to debug and fix memory leak, segmentation faults and debugging any bugs in code.

Experience

• AI Search Remote

Co-Founder - AI Search: Uncovering User Intents, Crafting Human-Centric Search

Oct 2023 - Present

- Fullstack Engineer: Developed ReactJS frontend with secure REST APIs for business layer logic, enabling seamless one-click deployments and other features using FastAPIs and MongoDB.
- RabbitMQ/Microservices: Implemented an event-driven architecture with decoupled services for search, scraping, background tasks, and more. Included essential features such as logging, monitoring, and scalability.
- Web Scraping Service: Designed a web scraping service using scrapy servers and scrapyd, synchronized with the event-driven architecture. Supports cron jobs and on-demand scraping.
- Search Optimization: Enhanced search capabilities by feeding crawled data into ElasticSearch. Implemented AI techniques like vector searching/embedders and researched NLP methods to optimize search results.
- **DevOps and Infrastructure**: Dockerized the entire application stack and created scripts for one-click deployments to servers. Maintained agile development environments for efficient development processes.

Projects

- MeraAadhar: An application where user can book operators for doorstep Aadhar updation. Winner of Smart India Hackathon 2022 (Team SHARK), awarded 1 lakh rupees. (Flutter, Django, FastAPI) Link (Linkedin Post)
- WaterInator: IoT to upload water purity parameters to blockchain for automatic inspection, web dashboard for analysis. Unesco-India-Africa Hackathon Finalist, offline hack with 22 African countries. (Solidity, NodeJS Backend)
- NovelNation: A novels reader and management application, it includes offline reading, different font/styles settings and library of reads with progress (Android Native, Java) Link (GitHub)

Honors and Achievements

- HackTU 2023 Winner: Collaboration of Societies, Awarded 20k rupees for developing Finfy financial training app
- SIH' 2022 Winner: Government hosted biggest student hackathon promoting problem-solving through technology
- Maketahon 3077 (2021) Winner: Hosted by Microsoft Learn Student Chapter (MLSC) Society
- Hacklipse 2021 Winner: Created Pustika, book reselling platform that is my first university hackathon experience

Miscellaneous

- Content Analysis of Twitter conversations associated with Turkey-Syria Earthquakes Research paper published under ICDAM 2023 Conference, analysing turkey-syria earthquakes by tweets
- Data Structures and Algorithm

Solved more than 400+ questions on various platforms, profiles: leetcode, geeksforgeeks, codingninjas