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Senior Software Engineer – Infrastructure & Distributed Systems

Summary

Senior Software Engineer (SRE) with ~ 6 years of experience building and operating large-scale distributed systems at Big Tech scale. Specialized in infrastructure reliability, optimizations, cost governance, and observability platforms. Proven track record in delivering \$200M+ cost savings, reducing severe production incidents, and leading cross-team initiatives on ML training, streaming, and data platforms.

Experience

Meta Platforms, Inc.

London, UK

Production Engineer (*Senior+ level scope*)

Nov 2021 – Present

- Leading a 6-person team of (SWEs+PEs) in **Scribe** (Meta’s distributed log and messaging platform), owning billing and cost attribution governing ~ \$1B in annual infra spend and hundreds of TB/s data processing throughput. Designed automated workload criticality inference across producers and consumers to enable safe, priority-aware load shedding at peak demand. Built a centralized quota and enforcement service backed by revamped, fine-grained resource metrics and supply–demand modeling, enabling smart, cost-aware quotas that gracefully degrade least revenue-critical workloads first.
- Built a centralized metadata and lineage service for ML feature engineering across **10+ systems**. Performed read-fanout and cross-regional traffic analysis to identify peak-hour network spill and inefficiencies, enabling producer-consumer awareness. Re-architected feature logging with **per-consumer filtering, automated feature reaping, and consumer-side Memcache caching, reducing datastore and network overhead by 80%** and delivering ~ \$200M in annual cost savings, with ~ \$200M+ additional savings scoped.
- Built a production-traffic simulation and deterministic replay service by introducing end-to-end application logging across client and service binaries to capture configuration state and usage patterns. The system ingests logs in real time to synthesize production-like clients in sandbox environments, enabling CI/CD-integrated A/B testing as well as ad-hoc local replays for engineers. This framework reduced severe production incidents from **10+ to 1–2 per month**, significantly lowering data loss and revenue impact.

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Mumbai, India

Software Engineer (*SRE*)

Jul 2020 – Nov 2021

- Owned reliability, scalability, and operations for ad-serving and analytics platforms processing billions of requests per day.
- Operated and scaled large Hadoop, Druid, Kafka, and Elastic Stack deployments supporting real-time BI and revenue reporting.
- Built unified observability and led reliability initiatives that reduced operational toil by **60%**, saved **\$3M+** annually in on-call and infrastructure costs, and drove a sustained **2–3% uplift** in ad revenue.

CERN (European Organization for Nuclear Research) Geneva, Switzerland
Google Summer of Code 2020 Student Developer May 2020 – Aug 2020

- Architected and implemented an intelligent monitoring and alerting platform for CERN's CMS distributed computing infrastructure serving **thousands** of researchers worldwide.
- Led cross-institution alignment on system design and implementation, enabling adoption of a shared Kubernetes-based monitoring stack.
- Automated alert correlation and silencing to reduce operational toil and improve the scalability and long-term evolution of production monitoring. - [GSoC Link](#) [Journal Link](#)

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Software Engineering Intern Dec 2019 – Jan 2020

- Designed disk performance and utilization monitoring with predictive alerting for production clusters.
- Built anomaly detection pipelines that proactively prevented multiple revenue-critical outages, saving an estimated **1,000+** engineering hours annually.

Xelpmoc Design & Tech Kolkata, India
Software Engineering Intern May 2018 – Jun 2018

- Built location intelligence and store prediction frameworks using DBSCAN clustering and Google POI APIs.
- Influenced expansion strategy decisions with projected **10% revenue uplift** for partner businesses.

Publications

- The evolution of the CMS monitoring infrastructure - [Link](#)
- Breaking Captcha System with Minimal Exertion through Deep Learning: Real-time Risk Assessment on Indian Government Websites - [Link](#)

Education

Indian Institute of Engineering Science and Technology Shibpur Shibpur, India
B.Tech in Computer Science & Technology Jul 2016 – Jul 2020