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### **SUMMARY**

With 3+ years in tech, I've grown as a developer and innovator, prioritizing collaboration and understanding user needs. Beyond coding in Python, Java, and cloud tech, I excel in empathy, clear communication, and creativity. Software development is more than a skill for me—it's a tool to make an impact.

### **SKILLS**

Languages: Python, Java, C++, JavaScript, HTML5, TypeScript, CSS | Databases: MongoDB, NoSQL, MySQL, Azure SQL | Frameworks & Libraries: React, Redux, NodeJS, Angular, Spring Boot | Cloud Platforms & Services: AWS (ECS, S3, Lambda, EC2, CloudWatch, CloudFormation), Azure | UI/UX Technologies: Figma, Adobe XD, Sketch | DevOps & Other Technologies: GitHub, Jenkins | Project Management & Collaboration: JIRA, Slack.

#### **EXPERIENCE**

Amazon.inc **New York City** 

Software Development Engineer

*July* 2022 – *July* 2023

- Actively contributed to the development and optimization of software solutions within the Marketing and Ads team. These efforts led to a noticeable 10% enhancement in system performance and a marked increase in customer satisfaction levels.
- Collaborated with senior engineers in conducting comprehensive data analysis on large datasets. This collaboration was instrumental in suggesting system architectural improvements, resulting in a 15% boost in overall system performance.
- Played a pivotal role in the team responsible for migrating 3 essential services to the AWS platform. My involvement ensured a smooth transition with zero downtime, maintaining a seamless user experience.

**Full Creative** Chennai, India

Full Stack Developer

*July* 2020 – *February* 2021

- Took on the responsibility of developing and integrating web features using Java and Python. These features were crucial in elevating user connectivity and providing a more intuitive user experience.
- Collaborated closely with the database team, focusing on creating and optimizing data solutions using MongoDB. This teamwork ensured enhanced system scalability and peak performance.
- Introduced and implemented advanced debugging strategies in collaboration with the QA team. These methodologies were effective in reducing the occurrence of critical bugs by 35% during software release cycles.

#### **EDUCATION**

University at Albany, SUNY Albany, NY

Master's in Computer Engineering

St. Joseph's Institute of Technology

Chennai, India

Bachelor's in Electrical and Electronic Engineering

# **PROJECTS**

## Motion Planning with Collision Avoidance | CoppeliaSim, Python

February 2022

- Developed an efficient and optimized Python program that communicates with a robot model simulated in CoppeliaSim to help it navigate through the shortest path in a map without any obstacle collision.
- Implemented a transformer that identifies regions of the map that includes the potentially best path, and then applies local planner RRT\* in the proposed region to generate the final collision-free path.

## **Human Emotion Detection** | Python

September 2021

- Created a Python application that can detect distinctive human emotions using Transfer learning in real-time for various applications.
- Using MobileMetV2 model and then training it specifically with versatile images of human emotions to obtain an accurate detection. The basic architecture was trained using FER-2013 dataset which consisted of black and white images of various human expressions and custom created a dataset and trained the model to improve its accuracy.

# **AI-Driven Customer Support Chatbot** | Python, Tensorflow

January 2020

- Designed an AI-enhanced chatbot in Python for streamlined customer interactions, hosted on AWS via Docker, and coupled with CRM systems through API integration.
- Utilized powerful NLP tools like NLTK and SpaCy in Python for advanced linguistic processing functionalities.

# LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

### **Graduate Student Association, UAlbany**

Albany, NY

Office Manager

June 2021 – May 2022

- Proactively catered to graduate students' needs, providing tailored solutions to address unique challenges, and ensuring academic and personal well-
- Oversaw Web/IT services across multiple campuses, guaranteeing uninterrupted technological services and enhancing the overall student and staff experience.

### **IEEE Student Branch, SJIT**

Chennai, India

Secretary *June* 2017 – *November* 2019

- Orchestrated and directed a range of events, conferences, and meetings, fostering a vibrant IEEE community presence within the institution and enhancing member engagement.
- Played a pivotal role as the chief coordinator for "ELEKTRAKAN", a renowned National Level Symposium at SJIT, Chennai. Managed its end-toend planning, coordination, and execution, ensuring its success from 2017 to 2019.