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Education

BITS Pilani, Hyderabad Campus
B.E. in Computer Science

2017 - 2021
8.24/10

Skills

- Proficient in Node.js, C/C++; familiar with Java, Python, SQL, MATLAB

Experience

Postman

Jan 2021 - Present

Software Engineer-II / Software Engineer-I / Intern

- Key contributor in writing Postman's in-house backend web framework in TypeScript. Migrating key microservices from Sails / Fastify achieved an average of 40% reduction in p95 latencies, and a 50-60% decrease in average and maximum CPU utilization.
- Spearheading the organization's migration to TypeScript as part of the Platform team's effort to improve backend platform hygiene and reduce production errors. Developed a utility to add type information to existing JavaScript codebases automatically, and another utility to migrate to a new configuration structure for all services.
- Implemented hot-reloading configuration support for Postman's WebSocket Gateway which holds millions of sockets during peak load. This brought the time-to-production for configuration and released product changes down from an average of 4 days to 2 minutes.
- Brought server-side induced client reconnections down by 95%, essentially eliminating the root cause. This was achieved by a combination of reliability improvements in the WebSocket gateway's implementation - inlining the underlying socket.io module to modify request and response payload parsing logic, and adding dynamic socket payload-size limits.
- Reduced the error rate in Postman's workspace load by 15% by implementing caching at a critical microservice boundary. This work done under the microservice availability initiative also achieved 50-80% performance improvement for an important internal endpoint, which unblocked use cases for large enterprise clients.

Bank of New York Mellon

Aug 2020 - Dec 2020

Graduate Summer Associate

- Developed user-facing tools to automate key operational tasks for the Revenue and Billing Services team at BNY Mellon.
- Used Visual Basic for Applications (VBA) and Microsoft SharePoint to streamline and automate tasks like VAT verification for high-volume transactions, and payments reconciliation for Transaction Lifecycle Management.

Edifecs

May 2019 - Jul 2019

Software Engineer Intern

- Developed a Java package from scratch to extract insurance claim information from Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) files without using any external library dependencies.
- Analysed the performance of the package by generating test data containing millions of unique claims based on user-defined templates. Significant performance improvement was achieved and the existing system was replaced.

Achievements

- Received a spot award at Postman for outstanding performance in 2022.

Key Projects

File Sharing Application using Reliable UDP
Computer Networks

Apr 2020 - May 2020

- Developed a file sharing application in Python by designing and implementing an application layer protocol for reliable data transfer over UDP based on Go-Back-N principle.
- Analysed network throughput by considering various parameters like network delay, packet loss, packet reordering, and packet corruption.

RGB Image Encryption using Heat Equation and DNA Sequencing
Image Processing, Cryptography

Aug 2019 - May 2020

- Built a novel encryption-decryption pipeline for RGB images using the Generalized Heat Equation, Chebyshev chaotic map for keyspace generation, and DNA Sequencing to scramble pixels, implemented in MATLAB.