# Nihal Athikkai

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## PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Software Engineer with 4+ years of experience specializing in backend development, data processing, and cloud solutions using Python, SQL, and AWS. Skilled in building scalable systems and optimizing workflows for business efficiency.

#### EXPERIENCE

#### **Project Engineer**

 $June\ 2021-Present$ 

Wipro Ltd.

Bangalore, Karnataka

Apple  $(QSS) \mid Developer \ L3$ 

- Developed and optimized Python **FastAPI** backend (using **MySQL**, **Box**, and **Docker**) for an internal portal used by 700+ global business users to manage *Quality Standard System (QSS)* scenarios and test cases.
- Implemented advanced Excel file parsing, validation and data extraction logic with **OpenPyXL** and **pandas**.
- Designed and deployed tracking mechanisms for scenario statuses, resource allocation, and time estimation and other key metrics enhancing project visibility.
- Migrated REST API from **Flask** to **FastAPI**, boosting API performance by 2.5× through code optimization and concurrency.

Apple (Marketing Measurements Engineering) | Developer L2

- Deployed and managed **AWS Glue** crawlers with **AWS MWAA** to extract metadata from CSV data stored in S3, leveraging **AWS CloudFormation** (using AWS CDK, AWS SDK and Python).
- Implemented metadata registration and change monitoring system, notifying users of updates via AWS SNS.
- Created Jenkins pipelines to automate testing and deployment of the CDK stacks.
- Developed Python script for deploying customizable AWS CloudFormation stacks, including RDS instances and NLBs.

Nike | Developer L1

• Worked on POC in SAP DI wherein created graphs (data pipelines) to egress data from various sources, modify with a custom Python Operators and load it into Kafka and SAP HANA systems

HSBC | Developer L1

- Worked on POC with PySpark to process and analyze input files, used AWS EMR clusters to run various data processing PySpark applications.
- Created Apache Airflow DAG to get user data and store it in a SQL database.

Intern Dec 2019 – Dec 2019

Kerala Minerals and Metals Ltd.

Kollam, Kerala

• Conducted a detailed study of titanium-dioxide pigment production processes, gaining insights into large-scale manufacturing workflows.

#### **Summer Research Fellow**

May 2019 – July 2019

IIT Ropar

Ropar, Punjab

• Developed a GUI for complex CNC toolpath generation for the SPIF process using MATLAB App Designer, reducing toolpath generation time and improving user experience.

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages Python, SQL (MySQL), Go.

Frameworks FastAPI, Flask, Pydantic, LangChain.

**Developer Tools** Git, Docker, VS Code, Postman, AWS CDK.

Platforms AWS (CloudFormation, MWAA, EMR, RDS, Glue).

Libraries pandas, NumPy, Matplotlib, OpenPyXL.
Tools MATLAB, SOLIDWORKS, Fusion 360.

### EDUCATION

## National Institute of Technology Calicut

Calicut, Kerala

Bachelor of Technology in Mechanical Engineering

July 2017 - June 2021

Sarvodaya Central Vidyalaya

June. 2015 - March 2017

Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala

Higher Secondary Certificate, PCMC