

# NIKHIL RAJESH NIGAM

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**Experienced ML Engineer delivering productionized AI/ML systems. Proven track record of leading projects from concept to deployment, with expertise in LLMs/RAG, recommendation systems, Agentic AI and MLOps.**

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

**ML Frameworks, Libraries & Tools:** PyTorch, Lightning, LangChain, Milvus, MLflow, Weights & Biases, TensorFlow, Ollama

**Languages:** Python, SQL | **Deployment & Cloud:** Flask, Docker, AWS (boto3, EC2, S3, EFS, Cognito), Linux, Git

## WORK EXPERIENCE

**modlee Inc, Machine Learning Engineer**

Sept 2023 - Nov 2025

- Engineered and deployed a **Milvus vector search system** for sub-second model recommendation, analyzing **240+** meta-features via a two-stage retrieval algorithm to drive a **5x experiment catalog expansion**.
- Accelerated a **compliance workflow** with a privacy-first hybrid OCR pipeline using **EasyOCR + local Ollama**, layering a **LangChain AI agent** for grounded, natural-language coverage reasoning.
- Packaged and shipped a reusable **Agentic Framework** with a formal **Tool Registry**, enabling partners to deploy schema-driven **text-to-SQL/JSON agents** and drastically cutting enterprise onboarding time.
- Standardized **MLOps velocity** with integrated **MLflow** and built a **data re-ingestion pipeline** that backfilled **100s** of machine learning experiments from **WandB**, regenerating artifacts and meta-features for the vector system.

**InterDigital Inc, Emerging Technologies Lab - Deep Learning Intern**

May 2022 - Aug 2022

- Achieved a **40% bandwidth reduction** over the SOTA baseline by developing a **novel CNN autoencoder**, demonstrating feasibility for more efficient data transmission over constrained wireless networks.
- Improved signal reconstruction quality by integrating **Convolutional Block Attention Modules** into a Fully Convolutional Autoencoder architecture, validated against standard image quality benchmarks.

**Vodafone Intelligent Services, Vodafone PLC - Software Engineer**

Jul 2018 - Jul 2021

- As the **Subject Matter Expert**, led the end-to-end development of a mission-critical financial API within a CI/CD pipeline, **automating the expense approval** lifecycle for a 5,000+ employee organization.
- Cut average expense approval time by 50% by designing and implementing a secure, 'lazy approval' UX integrated with the company's primary email framework.

## EDUCATION

**University of Wisconsin - Madison (WI, USA), M.S in ECE, (Specialization: Machine Learning), GPA: 3.6/4.0**

May 2023

**Maharashtra Institute of Technology - Pune (MH, India), B.Engg. in Electronics & Telecommunication, Grade: A**

May 2018

## TECHNICAL PROJECTS

**Cloud-Native Technical Retrieval Engine (Meet-Me)**

- Orchestrated a **LangGraph/Qdrant RAG pipeline** featuring hybrid intent-routing for my online portfolio driven by similarity guardrails to eliminate hallucinations and deliver low-latency, grounded, and streamed async responses.

**Distributed LLM Systems: Federated Learning & Split Inference**

- Architecting a **fault-tolerant distributed inference engine** using raw TCP and torch.rpc, enabling **federated LoRA** training for LLMs across heterogeneous consumer devices with high network latency

**Privacy-Preserving Edge Agent: Automated Context Synthesis**

- Developed an **agentic workflow** using LangGraph and quantized Llama 3 as part of strictly local **RAG pipeline**, combining semantic retrieval over 27000 data samples with context-aware generation of email drafts

**Denoising and Intensity Inhomogeneity Correction of MRIs**

- Optimized **N4 Bias Correction pipelines** by integrating a MONAI-based UNet with **Stable Diffusion schedulers**, reducing image clarity error rate metrics by 68% for coil-constrained MRI scanners