

# Rayan Crasta - Backend Engineer

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## Summary

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Detail-oriented backend engineer with a strong foundation in system design, software development, and database management. Skilled in building high-performance applications and services within complex systems. Eager to contribute to the evolution of commerce platforms and deliver resilient, scalable solutions. Seeking to leverage technical expertise and collaborative spirit in a dynamic team environment.

## Work Experience

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**Tata Consultancy Services** – Assistant Systems Engineer (Full Time)

*June 2021 – Aug 2023, Mumbai, India*

- Developed bash scripts to automate the hardening process of over 100+ Linux servers for compliance based on CIS benchmarks, saving 900+ hours of manual compliance efforts. Won “Best Team” award for this initiative.
- Conducted security analysis on Angular and Spring Boot codebases using Checkmarx and Fortify WebInspect, identifying and mitigating critical vulnerabilities.
- Integrated third-party antimalware and data tokenization solutions into existing architectures.
- Conducted manual web application security testing using OWASP ZAP and Burpsuite, identifying and addressing critical vulnerabilities, thus enhancing application security.

**Qustac Technologies Pvt. Ltd** - Android Development Intern (Part Time)

*Mar 2020 – Jan 2021, Mumbai, India*

- Developed an Android application using Android Studio and Java, integrating TensorFlow Lite for real-time classification of explicit and non-explicit images on Android devices.
- Integrated a streamlined machine learning model to facilitate automatic actions upon detecting explicit content within image files.

## Projects

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**TweetOps: Twitter-like Tweet Ingestion and Search Backend** [Blog](#) | [GitHub](#)

- Developed a Twitter-like backend prototype using Go, FastAPI, Kafka, PostgreSQL, and Elasticsearch.
- Managed a dataset of 500K tweets, categorized by language, and ingested into Elasticsearch via Kafka.
- Utilized Elasticsearch for real-time tweet search and immediate availability of ingested tweets.
- Created user and tweet search functionalities with PostgreSQL and Elasticsearch, including pagination and efficient data retrieval.
- Developed a FastAPI service for flagging profane tweets based on a model, integrated into the ingestion process for safe search.

**MyShowSeat: Booking Service Backend** [Blog](#) | [GitHub](#)

- Developed a booking service backend prototype using Go, Redis, and PostgreSQL.
- Implemented booking logic for seat checks, claiming, payment verification, and finalization, ensuring a seamless user experience during high traffic.
- Utilized Go's concurrency for asynchronous processing, maintaining data integrity with

PostgreSQL transactional operations and row-level locking.

- Enhanced performance with Redis caching for seat availability, reducing database calls and improving scalability. Incorporated JWT token-based authentication for secure service access.

### **Debate Management System (Dissertation Project)**

- Designed a platform for managing structured debates in academic settings, incorporating gamification, quizzes, and real-time feedback.
- Built using React.js for responsive UIs and FastAPI for backend logic, with PostgreSQL for authentication and MongoDB for debate storage.
- Utilized Redis for real-time tracking and WebSockets for live updates during debate sessions.
- Provided detailed post-debate analytics to help educators enhance teaching strategies.

## **Education**

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### **University of Leicester**

*MSc Cloud Computing (Sept 2023 - 2024)*

### **Mumbai University**

*Bachelor of Engineering, Information Technology (2021), 9.42 CGPA*

## **Skills**

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- **Languages:** Go, Python, FastAPI, Java, Bash, JavaScript, ReactJS
- **Databases:** PostgreSQL, MongoDB, Redis
- **Infra:** Linux, Docker, Kubernetes, Openshift
- **Tools:** Kafka, Elasticsearch, Prometheus, Grafana, JIRA
- **Security:** Burpsuite, Checkmarx, WebInspect, OWASP ZAP
- **Soft Skills:** Excellent problem-solving abilities, strong communication skills, collaborative team player, proactive in driving engineering discussions and improvements.