

# Rayan Crasta - Software Engineer

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## Summary

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Dynamic software engineer with extensive programming experience in Python and a strong foundation in data engineering and software development. Adept at system design, database management, and working with large datasets. Eager to apply technical skills to build efficient, high-performance applications and tools that enhance data analysis and quality checking. Committed to delivering innovative solutions within collaborative team environments while continuously growing in the tech industry.

## Work Experience

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### **Mint People** - Front of House Staff & Kitchen Porter (Part Time)

*May 2024 – Aug 2024, UK*

- Provided exceptional customer service in restaurants and clubs, effectively handling reservations, seating, and resolving inquiries.
- Supported kitchen operations through dishwashing, food prep, and maintaining cleanliness.

### **Hap Solutions** - Festival and Bar Staff (Part Time)

*June 2024 – Aug 2024, UK*

- Delivered excellent customer service at festivals and events, efficiently managing bar operations.

### **Royal Mail** – Warehouse Operative (Part Time)

*Nov 2023 – Dec 2023, Northampton, UK*

- Loaded/unloaded shipments and sorted items efficiently, optimizing workflow and ensuring timely processing.

### **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. Received the “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 the existing architecture, enhancing overall security.
- Performed manual web application security testing using OWASP ZAP and Burpsuite, identifying and addressing vulnerabilities to improve 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.
- Streamlined a 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, managing a dataset of 500K tweets for fast ingestion and search capabilities.
- Implemented user and tweet search functionalities with PostgreSQL and Elasticsearch, ensuring efficient data retrieval and pagination.
- Created 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, implementing booking logic for a seamless user experience during high traffic.
- Utilized Go's concurrency for asynchronous processing, maintaining data integrity with PostgreSQL transactional operations.
- Enhanced performance with Redis caching for seat availability, reducing database calls and improving scalability.

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

- Designed a platform for managing structured debates in academic settings, utilizing 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.
- Employed Redis for real-time tracking and WebSockets for live updates during debate sessions, providing detailed post-debate analytics.

## 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:** Python, Go, FastAPI, Django, Bash, JavaScript, Java, ReactJS
- **Databases:** PostgreSQL, MongoDB, Redis, Snowflake
- **Infra:** Linux, Docker, Kubernetes
- **Tools:** Kafka, Elasticsearch, Prometheus, Grafana, Dataiku
- **Security:** Burpsuite, Checkmarx, WebInspect, OWASP ZAP
- **Soft Skills:** Strong problem-solving abilities, excellent communication, self-organized, collaborative teamwork, and adaptability to new technologies.