RAYAN AHMAD

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TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages: Python, JavaScript, TypeScript, Ruby, Golang, Java, C/C++, HTML, CSS, Bash

Frameworks: ReactJS, ExpressJS, NodeJS, Flask, FastAPI, Pandas, NumPy, Matplotlib, TensorFlow, Scikit-Learn Technologies: AWS, GCP, Docker, Kubernetes, Nomad, Terraform, Linux, PostgreSQL, MongoDB, Git, BuildKite

EDUCATION

University of Waterloo

Expected Grad 2026

- Candidate for Bachelor of Applied Science in Mechatronics Engineering
- Relevant Courses: Real Time Operating Systems, Data Structures and Algorithms, Introduction to Microprocessors and Digital Logic, Experimental Measurement and Statistical Analysis

WORK EXPERIENCE

Co-Founder | NearMe (Backed by DMZ)

May 2023 - Present

- Led a team in building a full-stack app using a **MERN stack**, and **AWS**, winning \$5000 in DMZ competition for best MVP and pitch
- Designed an **event-driven architecture** using **Redis**, resulting in a **50%** reduction in data processing latency and ensuring real-time responsiveness for user interactions

Software Engineering Intern | Wonolo

May 2023 - Aug 2023

- Developed a **Python CLI** tool to automate **Nomad** deployments, streamline testing, and sharing environments, benefiting over **60** developers
- Optimized a **Homebrew formula** with **Ruby**, and a virtual environment, accelerating tool command execution by a factor of **5**
- Engineered an internal queuing tool that integrates with **Buildkite**, **GitHub**, and **Nomad**, enabling developers to deploy to production via **Slack**, enhancing the deployment CI process efficiency by 70%
- Integrated a **NodeJS** application with **Bugsnag** and **N8N** to automate **workflows**, and **bug-tracking** to promptly notify developers, reducing response time by 90%

Software Engineering Intern | WealthAgile (Incubated by DMZ)

Aug 2022 - Apr 2023

- Deployed AI system into production environment by designing a **microservice architecture** on **AWS** and **GCP**, using scalable services implemented in **Python**, for **300** active users
- Created CI/CD pipeline using Git, GitHub Actions (workflows), Terraform, Docker, Kubernetes, and AWS to automate testing, container registry management, and rollout in EKS reducing deployment time by 95%
- Programmed **RESTful APIs** for **genetic algorithm** machine learning model, and crypto exchanges such as Kraken, Coinbase, & Binance using **MongoDB**, **FastAPI**, **Postman**, and used **binary search algorithm** to speed up code by a factor of 6
- Built a **multi-threaded** data collector to collect cryptocurrency OHLCV time-series data from multiple data sources and stored it in **Postgres** to speed up collection by **15** times
- Developed multiple quantitative trading applications, re-balancing algorithms, back-testers to get performance and metrics such as Sharpe ratio, with best practices such as documentation, file structure, unit and integration testing, logging, and test-driven development, reducing development time by 60%

Data Engineering Intern | TealBook

Jan 2022 - Apr 2022

- Applied Bidirectional Encoder Representations from Transformers (BERT) model on supplier data to find eligible suppliers for a small business certification using **TensorFlow** to produce results up to 85% accuracy
- Analyzed data issues, trends, and patterns in Big Query, using SQL, Python, Pandas, and RegEx
- Constructed solutions for cleaning & preventing data issues, recorded research to **Jira** and **Confluence documents** on **Atlassian**, and presented updates in meetings following **Scrum** & **Agile methodologies**

Interests: Entrepreneurship, Investing, Skateboarding, Piano, Gym, Mixed Martial Arts