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| **PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY** |
| * Around **10** years of IT experience in **Automation Framework Development, Automation** and **Manual** testing * **ISTQB** (International Software Testing Qualification Board) Certified Tester * Involved and actively participated in automation framework implementation (FAAST, SprintTest, BTF, SuperDriver) * Expertise with all stage of **SDLC**, **STLC, Agile, BDD** processes and **ATLC with Framework creation** * Experience in Testing **database projects (data migration, data quality)** * Hands on Experience with tools **QC/ALM, QTP/UFT, Selenium WebDriver, MTM, TFS, VSS, CVS, SVN** * Good Interpersonal skills, commitment, result oriented, smart way of working with a quest and zeal to learn new technologies and undertake challenging tasks, Ability to work under tight deadlines * Good communication skills, Good Team Spirit, technical background with excellent problem solving skills * **Traveled abroad (London-UK) 3 times** for presentation and long term project assignments * **Awards:** 3 POB, 3 Achiever of Quarter, 3 Dream team, 1 Small step innovation which is selected in top 10 innovations, 1 Client side (MTC – Managed Test Center) award |

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| **SKILL SET** | |
| **Current Role** | **Automation Lead** |
| **Job Functions** | * Involved in **RFP** and **RFI** phases, **POC**, **Estimation** and **Budgeting** * Building up Automation test strategy and plan documents * Identification of risks, their impacts and mitigation plan * **Automation framework creation** * Estimating automation efforts and also following Automation Testing Life Cycle *(Requirement understanding, script creation/review/rework, execution, defect process)* * **Team management** by delegating tasks to team and tracking the same * Coordination with Clients as well as Offshore/Onshore teams * Conducting status call and Triage with the Client and delivering project status * Performing tasks/activities related to different phases of STLC * Preparation of process documents and circulation of the same across key people   **Extra Activities**   * Implementation of value innovation utilities to improve productivity * Conducting Interviews * Training & Presentations |
| **Domains** | Banking, Insurance, HealthCare, Logistic, Finance |
| **Tools** | HP QC (Quality Center), HP QTP/ UFT, Selenium WebDriver with Java, SOAP UI, TFS, MS Coded UI (Beginner), MTM, SpecFlow, TestComplete (knowledgeable)  FAAST, BTF, SprintTest (Automation Framework Definition Tool), SuperDriver Framework |
| **Configuration Tools** | VSS, CVS, SVN and TFS |
| **Databases** | MS SQL Server & MS-Access |
| **Others** | VMware Workstation, Dam Ware, VPN (Virtual Private Network) & Remote Desktop  MS Visio, Microsoft Project Plan, Excel VBA Macros |

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| **WORK EXPERIENCE** | | |
| **Employer** | **Duration** | **Designation** |
| **iGate Global Solution** | Jan 2008 – Till Date | Technical Lead – V&V |
| **Cybage Software Pvt. Ltd.** | Sep 2005 – Dec 2007 (28 Months) | QA Engineer |
| Chirag InfoTech P Ltd. | Aug 2003 – Jan 2005 (18 Months) | Software Engineer |

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| **EDUCATION** |
| * M.Tech in Information Technology From Swami Vivekananda University – MP (India) - Running * PGDAC (Post graduate diploma in advanced computing) from C-DAC with 70% (Grade – A) in Aug 2005 * B.E. I.T. (Information Technology) from Gujarat University with 64% (First class) in June 2003 * 12th (H.S.C.) from GSEB board with DIST in Mar 1999 * 10th (S.S.C.) from GSEB board with DIST in Mar 1997 |

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| **AWARDS, INNOVATION & ACHIEVEMENTS** |
| **ISTQB** (International Software Testing Qualification Board) Certified Tester  **Cybage:**   * SME for Inventory module as well as Data migration & Data Quality checking processes of SIF Visual Elk and Panorama reports.   **Patni/ iGATE:**   * There were total 8 sprints for MenuWeb and 11 sprints for MyBupa. Automation was behind by 3 sprints and then Customer (project manager of Providers Online) explicitly asked for me to keep all automation activities on track. I joined team when Sprint 5 was on the mid-way for both these projects and implemented proper structure, standards of communication and scripting. We managed to be on the same track with development from start of Sprint 7. * **Awards:** 3 POB (Pat-On-Back), 3 VCA (Valuable Contribution)/Achiever of Quarter, 3 Dream Team,   1 small step innovation award, 1 MTC Award   * **SME for SWAN, SWIFT** and **PoL applications** * As a single resource, Handled Bupa’s biggest insurance application SWAN. Invested effort in R&D for SWAN functionalities and by this way enhanced customer confidence which dragged almost 6 new SWAN related projects. * Played OSC role at **London – UK** to understand Agile Project, set-up initial Project phases, resolve requirement queries/doubts, build-up processes and standards. * Participated in Project planning meeting at Onshore (**Brighton – UK**). * Managed team of 4 offshore resources from Onshore (**London – UK**) to perform end-to-end automation project activities for Agile Project (Providers Online) * Managed team of 5 offshore automation resources from onshore (**London – UK**) for MenuWeb project |

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| **PROJECTS EXECUTED** | | | | |
| **LPL Financial - TCOE** | | | Nov 2013 - Till Date | |
| Languages & Technologies: | | .Net Technologies, QTP, Selenium, QC | Location: | Charlotte – NC (USA) |
| Role Performed: | | Automation Lead | Team Size: | 6 |
| **Description:**  LPL Financial is the largest organization of independent financial advisors in the United States. As a part of TCOE, iGATE is hired to improve the LPL processes and work standards, streamlines project process and UAT activities. In addition to that, Improve the overall automation approach followed and take it to the industry standard level.  Module: Trading, Fixed Income (Bid Wanted, Buy)  Projects/ Applications: BranchNet, TMC, Folio  **Contribution:**   * Understood the overall LPL existing automation approach and created presentation highlighting what all improvements are required into automation area and how we can achieve it * Feasibility study of existing manual test cases/ BRD & DSD for automation * Estimating automation efforts; Automation test plan and strategy document creation * Framework Stabilization; Relevant functions creation for the framework * Following ATLC (Scripts Creation, Review and Rework, Execution & Defect Management) * Leading and mentoring team in their automation activities and providing resolution of their queries * Communication, Co-ordination with Client and offshore teams * Managing the testing teams by delegate tasks to team and tracking the same * Supporting Release related testing activities * Circulating different reports to provide update on overall project activities | | | | |
| **Automation COE** | | | Jan 2013 – Oct 2013 | |
| Languages & Technologies: | | QTP, Selenium with Java, CodedUI, SpecFlow, TestComplete, SAP, Mainframe etc. | Location: | Gandhinagar - India |
| Role Performed: | | Automation Lead | Team Size: | 15 |
| **Description:**  Automation COE is the only group GATE which is dedicated towards various activities mainly   * To attract and bring new customers and projects by demonstrating iGATE capabilities * To identify solutions and ways how iGATE can provide best services to their customers * To reduce overall customer burden and project cost   Key responsibilities of Automation COE:   * Understand new customers/Clients needs and participate in RFP, RFI phases * Acquire new tools & technologies and perform POC (proof of concepts) according to customer need * Suggest solution approaches according to customer software platforms * Implementation of solution frameworks and tools * Impart training to iGATE resources on new tools and technologies * Management of in-house tools (FAAST, SprintTest, SuperDriver) development, enhancements & maintenance   **Innovations:**   * Created framework and wrapper to perform unit level code testing using BDD * Created VBS & VBA based framework for Web Services (WSDL web services, WCF web services) * Designed framework supporting heterogeneous tools and technologies * Created framework for SAP and Mainframe applications | | | | |
| **P3MF Phase 2 (Asian Development Bank)** | | | Jun 2012 – Dec 2012 | |
| Languages & Technologies: | | Oracle Applications, Selenium with java, JIRA | Location: | Gandhinagar - India |
| Role Performed: | | Project Lead | Team Size: | 20 |
| **Description:**  Asian Development Bank (ADB) is an international development finance institution, dedicated to reducing poverty in Asia and the Pacific region. ADB's main partners are Governments, the private sector, nongovernment organizations, development agencies, community-based organizations, and foundations.  Projects/ Applications: CMS, eOPS and PRS, P3MF  **Contribution:**   * Feasibility study of existing manual test cases to identify automation candidates * Automation Test Script Creation using Selenium through Automation Framework * Created standard automation approach and guidelines that need to be followed in projects * Framework Stabilization; Keyword Creation for the framework using JAVA as backend * Test Scripts Execution & Defect Management * Leading and mentoring team in their automation activities and providing resolution of their queries * Communication, Co-ordination with OSC and Customer end POC (Point of Contact) * Managing the testing teams by delegate tasks to team and tracking the same * Preparation of process documents (DSR, WSR, MSR, HSR & TCR) to update the Client on overall project activities * Created Utility to perform “BATCH Execution” at schedule time over night without manual intervention * Created Utility to find defect Age and generated different aging graphs   **Achievements:**   * ‘Batch Execution’ utility created was selected in Top 10 innovations | | | | |
| **Bupa (British United Provident Association)** | | | Jan 2008 – Jun 2012 | |
| Languages & Technologies: | | Web, Windows, QTP, QC, TFS, FAAST, BTF, Agile | Location: | UK, India |
| Role Performed: | | Automation Lead, OSC, Automation Tester | Team Size: | --- |
| **Description:**  Bupa – British United Provident Association was established in 1947 when the National Health Service was introduced in U.K. Bupa primarily provides Health Care and health related services it has over 40,000 employees in U.K. alone and have a presence in 190 countries. Bupa possesses 40% market share of the private medical insurance market.  I have worked in most of Bupa projects and details are as below:   |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | **Project Name** | **Role** | **Location** | **Duration** | **Team Size** | | MenuWeb and MyBupa | OSC, Automation Lead | London – UK, Gandhinagar – India | Jun 2011 – Jun 2012 | 10 | | SWIFT Smoke Automation | Automation Lead | Gandhinagar – India | Dec 2010 – Jun 2011 | 5 | | PoL (Providers Online) | OSC, Automation Lead | London – UK | Mar 2010 – Dec 2010 | 6 | | PKB(Providers KnowledgeBase) | OSC, Automation Lead | London – UK, Gandhinagar – India | Sep 2009 – Feb 2010 | 5 | | BWA Regression Testing | Automation Lead | Gandhinagar – India | Nov 2009 – Feb 2010 | 14 | | SWAN, MERMAID, SASI | Automation Lead | Gandhinagar – India | Mar 2008 – Sep 2009 | 8 | | SWAN Netman Releases | Automation Tester | Gandhinagar – India | Mar 2008 – Sep 2009 | 1 |   **Contribution:**   * Created QTP-BTF automation framework and required libraries and components * Attended Different Agile meetings (Sprint planning, Stand-up, Scrum, Retrospective and Show-and-Tell) * Demonstrated the Agile project automation approach to PM, SM, Dev team, UI Developers and Testers * Identified scenarios feasible for automation, their priority and delivery phase * Discussed story points with BA and updated TFS accordingly * QTP Automation script creation, review, rework & execution, Followed Defect life cycle * Lead and mentored teams in their automation activities and provided resolution of their queries * Imparted training to new team members on Domain and Application(s) * Managed teams by delegating the tasks to them and tracking the same * Ensured that Project is on-track, team is not facing issue and resolved team queries on-time * Implemented process to get sign-off on automation by giving successful demo of automated scripts * Communication, Co-ordination with Scrum Master, Developers and Test Managers * Created project specific process documents and circulated to team and other project stake holders   **Extra Activities Performed:**   * Supported ‘Automation COE’ team for enhancing FAAST Automation framework * Involved in Estimation, POC * Imparted training to new team members on Technology tools * Provided automation inputs to prepare RFP for ‘PoL’, ‘PKB’, ‘SWIFT Smoke Automation’, ‘SWAN Refresh’ and ‘Bupa MTC’ projects * Created SOP (Standard Operating Practice) document on automation approach, strategies, naming standards and other guidelines need to be followed through-out the project * Created Utility to perform automatic execution of Automation Test Set (QC-QTP) at scheduled data/time   **Achievements:**   * At initial stage of Bupa account, I was selected for 1 month in-person training with Client to gather & understand project & business requirements * Provided 6 SIPs which saved around more than 300 PDs work * Head of Bupa Testing department sent appreciation email on budget saving [ROI] happened due to automation * Client awarded my work and dedication by honoring MTC Award * Client appreciated the innovating idea implemented by capturing application response time using QTP scripts. Captured application response time was used by Performance team to do cross verification with their statistics. Because of this approach, we found the loop hole in performance and later found the root cause. * MenuWeb & MyBupa: There were total 8 sprints for MenuWeb and 11 sprints for MyBupa. Automation was behind by 3 sprints and then Customer (project manager of Providers Online) explicitly asked for me. I joined when Sprint 5 was on the mid-way for both these projects and implemented proper structure, standards of communication and scripting. We managed to be on the same track with development from start of Sprint 7. * Providres Online: * Received appreciation for support provided to Performance team by creating more than 13,000 Users and 4000 Pre-Auths * Received appreciation for support provided to Manual and UAT testers by automating calculation of ‘Scheduled Payment Date’ using VBA Macro * Provided 6 SIPs which saved around more than 300 PDs work | | | | |
| **TDMS (Titan Dispatch Management System)** | | | Jun 2007 – Dec 2007 | |
| Languages & Technologies: | | Web, Windows, SQL Server | Location: | Gandhinagar, India |
| Role Performed: | | Manual Tester | Team Size: | 6 |
| **Description:**  TDMS manages the information related to drivers, common carriers, tanks, trailers, substances and loads that need to be delivered in specific shift. The older application was in .ASP & SQL 2000 and the new one TDMS application with other enhancement features is in ASP.Net and SQL 2005.  **Contribution:**   * Understood Domain, its Business Rules & Terminologies and Gathered Requirements * Understood suggested enhancements, specified their complexity and prepared addendum FRS * Prepared Software Test Plan & Test Strategy documents * Set-up Testing environment, Performed STLC (TC Creation, Execution, Diff. Testing types, Bug life cycle) * Prepared relevant Process documents, checklists and status reports relevant to project | | | | |
| **SIF – US & UK** | | | Sep 2005 – Jun 2007 | |
| Languages & Technologies: | | Windows, SQL Server, Client Oriented language | Location: | Pune, India |
| Role Performed: | | Manual Tester, CC, QL | Team Size: | 14 |
| **Description:**  SIF provides enterprise-wide CRM functionality to Life Sciences companies. SIF is the combination of components such as CRM, Analytics, Quick Reports, Report Manager, Workflow process, Interface process, VPN Synchronization  Projects/ Applications: Roche, Enzon, Axcan, GALEN  **Contribution:**   * Understood Requirements, prepared QTS and did communication with client to get resolution * Performed Testing activities on PDA (Test Environment preparation, TC Creation, Execution, Bug Life Cycle) * Performed testing surrounding areas related to CRM, Analytics, Workflow, Interface, Data Migration, Data Quality * Performed different types of testing including COMPATIBILITY Testing on PDA and Data migration testing * Prepared different project specific Process documents such as MOM, DSR, WSR, WQSR, TSR, HSR, MSR   **Achievement:**   * Created batch file to schedule automatic launch of VMWare build, synchronization of local build with remote build to get latest update. It was appreciated by Offshore manager and Client QA Director during his team visit | | | | |
| **Reporting Consolidation, NEXUS** | | | Aug 2003 – Jan 2005 | |
| Languages & Technologies: | | Web, SQL Server, XML | Location: | Ahmedabad, India |
| Role Performed: | | Manual Tester | Team Size: | 5 |
| **Description:**  Reporting Consolidation: This system fetches data from different databases and stores them in common data definition. Reporting service component will use this data from common data definition to generate various reports.  NEXUS: The project aims towards automation of the routine workflow processes (such as Leave Applications, Expenses, Income Tax & Medical Bills, Library Mgmt. etc.) within the organizations to achieve a **"paperless office".**  **Contribution:**   * Requirement Understanding, Test case preparation, review & revision and execution * Performed different types of testing and followed Bug life cycle * Prepared Test Summary Report [TSR] after completion of each round of testing * Communicated with the client both through mails and calls | | | | |
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