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Professional Summary

Full-stack Software Engineer, Senior Software Architect, and Application Security Engineer with over 5+ years of professional experience across the UK and Pakistan. Skilled in Ruby on Rails, Python, MERN Stack, Laravel, PHP, Next.js, React, system architecture, DevOps, and AI-driven solutions. Strong background in building secure, scalable applications, leading development teams, and delivering enterprise-level software systems for global clients. Consistently rated 5-stars for freelance project delivery with excellent client satisfaction.

Education

MS Computer Science – University of Hertfordshire, United Kingdom (2024–2026)

BS Software Engineering – COMSATS University Islamabad, Pakistan (2019–2023)

Work Experience

CyberNest — Senior Software Architect (Full-time, Hybrid UK) — Feb 2025 to Present

- Designed scalable, efficient, high-performing software architectures
- Led development teams, performed code reviews, mentored junior engineers
- Developed architectural solutions aligned with business and technical strategy
- Collaborated with stakeholders, project managers, and business teams
- Ensured security, compliance, and performance optimisation

Cyber Nest — Senior Application Security Engineer (Full-time, Pakistan) — Aug 2022 to Feb 2025

- Developed secure Ruby on Rails apps with strong authentication and encryption
- Performed vulnerability assessments and implemented security patches
- Built internal tools and improved infrastructure performance
- Conducted code audits and compliance checks across systems

Freelance — Senior Software Engineer (Remote)

- Delivered complete backend and full-stack solutions across multiple industries
- Built automation tools, dashboards, and scalable APIs
- Handled requirement analysis, architecture planning, and end-to-end delivery
- Managed direct communication with international clients

TechStep Software Solutions — Associate Software Engineer (Full-time, Pakistan) — Sep 2020 to Aug 2022

- Developed full-stack solutions using Ruby on Rails, React.js, PHP, and MySQL
- Integrated REST APIs, handled deployments, and supported client operations
- Worked closely with teams to build custom solutions for enterprise clients

Technical Skills

Languages & Frameworks:

Ruby on Rails, Python, MERN Stack, Next.js, Node.js, React.js, Laravel, PHP

Frontend:

React, Next.js, Tailwind CSS, Three.js, HTML5, CSS3, JavaScript

Backend:

Rails APIs, Node.js APIs, NGINX, Docker, Microservices

Databases:

PostgreSQL, MySQL, SQLite

DevOps & Tools:

Docker, GitHub, NGINX, Linux, CI/CD

Other:

WordPress, Custom Web Solutions, Full-Stack Architecture, System Design

Projects & Freelance Work

- AI-Powered Blog Platform — Built advanced AI-driven content workflows (5-star rating)
- Music Streaming Application — Designed backend logic, API structure, and authentication
- LLM Platform WebApp — Delivered full solution with strong client feedback
- Multiple e-commerce and internal business automation tools
- 10+ Upwork projects completed with consistent 5.0 ratings