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Software Engineer

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Summary

Frontend Software Engineer with hands-on experience building React.js and Next.js applications for SaaS and enterprise products. Skilled at translating designs into reusable, responsive UI components, integrating REST APIs and CMS-driven data layers, and optimizing frontend performance. Comfortable working across multiple concurrent products, collaborating with design and backend teams, and using AI-assisted development workflows to ship features faster.

Experience

Software Engineer – Frontend Oct 2025 – Present

Lab 23 Technology, Lahore

- Building and maintaining frontend features across multiple client products using React.js and Next.js (App Router), translating designs into reusable, responsive components.
- Integrating REST APIs and headless CMS data layers (Strapi, Webflow CMS) to power dynamic frontend content and data flows.
- Conducting technical SEO audits and shipping fixes, sitemap cleanup, redirects, on-page optimisation, and using AI-assisted tools to speed up debugging and delivery.

Frontend Engineer Intern Jul 2025 – Oct 2025

Lab 23 Technology, Lahore

- Built responsive, component-driven UIs in React.js and Tailwind CSS, consuming RESTful APIs via Axios and Fetch.
- Converted Figma designs into pixel-accurate, cross-browser layouts.
- Optimised component rendering and reduced unnecessary re-renders using memoisation and Context API patterns.

App Developer Intern Aug 2024 – Oct 2024

Social Swirl

- Built cross-platform mobile UI features in Flutter with backend API integration as part of a small agile team.

Projects

Zanderio AI *AI-Powered Ecommerce Sales Agent* zanderio.ai

Built the React.js frontend and Strapi CMS integration for an AI sales agent used by Shopify/WooCommerce merchants; connected APIs/email services and drove technical SEO gains.

Lynx Systems *Enterprise Web Application* app.lynxsystemsus.com

Built the core customer-facing web app for an enterprise infrastructure management company – dashboards, billing workflows, auth – in Next.js, Supabase, and Stripe.

Lahoriya *Gamified City-Discovery Platform* lahoriya.co

Built an SEO-optimised, animated web experience in React.js/Tailwind CSS for a gamified Lahore discovery app, achieving strong Lighthouse scores.

Rivendell Tech *Technology Services Website* rivendelltech.co

Developed and deployed a technology services website with a modern, responsive UI using React.js and Tailwind CSS.

Skills

Languages: JavaScript (ES6+), HTML5, CSS3

Frontend: React.js, Next.js, Tailwind CSS, Bootstrap, Redux, Context API, Responsive Design

Data & APIs: REST APIs, Axios, Fetch, API Integration

Backend: Node.js, Express.js, JWT Authentication

Development: Git, GitHub, Figma, Postman, Component Architecture, Performance Optimisation, Technical SEO

Mobile: React Native (Expo), Flutter

AI: AI-Assisted Development, AI Coding Tools

Soft Skills: Technical Communication, Agile/Scrum Collaboration, Problem Solving, Project Management

Education

Bachelor of Science in Computer Science Oct 2021 – Jul 2025

Riphah International University, Lahore

Certifications

- AWS Academy Cloud Architecting — Amazon Web Services
- Site Reliability Engineering: Measuring and Managing Reliability — Google

- Introduction to Artificial Intelligence (AI) & Generative AI — Coursera