

ALI RASHID

SENIOR FULL STACK ENGINEER | FINTECH | REACT, NODE.JS & PYTHON

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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Senior software engineer with 8+ years of frontend experience and hands-on full-stack delivery across React, React Native, Node.js services, REST APIs, real-time updates, and deployment. In regulated banking, led production mobile engineering and cross-system integrations across experience layers, middleware, and external providers. Built a Python engineering analytics platform using Azure DevOps APIs. Experienced in feature ownership, incident investigation, mentoring and release quality; bringing payments-adjacent banking experience to Sokin's global payments platform.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

- **Backend & Integration:** Node.js, Express, Python automation, REST, GraphQL, WebSockets, third-party APIs, authentication, API orchestration
- **Frontend & Mobile:** React, React Native, TypeScript, JavaScript, Gatsby, Redux Toolkit, RTK Query, Zustand, accessible UI
- **Delivery & Quality:** AWS exposure, Ubuntu/Hetzner deployment, SSL, GitHub Actions, Bitbucket Pipelines, Jest, React Testing Library, Detox, AppDynamics, code review, production debugging

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

RAKBANK | Dubai, UAE | Jan 2026 – Present

Sr. Lead Software Engineer – Oxygen / Mobile Lead

- Lead architecture and delivery across frontend, middleware, backend, QA, and product teams for a production banking app, defining module boundaries and integration patterns that **improved delivery speed by almost 30%**.
- Built a Python delivery tracker using Azure DevOps APIs to monitor defect ownership, aging, reassignments, and reopen rates. Introduced thresholds that flagged defects cycling between teams or repeatedly reopening, helping **reduce defect churn and speed up resolution**.
- Created an MCP tool to retrieve delivery blockers, reducing the time needed to identify and follow up on them by **at least 40%**. Investigated production issues and guided implementation reviews, testing, and performance work across releases.

RAKBANK | Dubai, UAE | Aug 2024 – Jan 2026

Sr. Frontend Engineer – Credit Cards / Mobile Lead

- Led mobile delivery for several customer journeys, including Balance Transfer and Smart Cash. Handled integrations across the experience layer, middleware, and third-party providers. Simplified the application flow and reduced service calls by **approximately 30%**, delivering a faster, more consistent experience for customers.
- Delivered real-time balances and digital card controls; API improvements reduced service calls by **approximately 30%**, while engagement with security settings **increased by 40%**.
- Mentored 3 junior engineers, contributing to a **40% faster ramp-up**, and led code reviews and release readiness for the Cards domain.

RAKBANK | Dubai, UAE | Jun 2022 – Aug 2024

Frontend Developer – React Native

- Integrated Bitpanda digital-asset experiences with secure SSO and trading/asset data flows; implemented biometric and document verification using EFR and OCR.

- Raised automated test coverage from **near-zero to over 90%** using Jest and React Testing Library, with Detox E2E coverage; supported the React Navigation v4-v6 migration.

Beyond Sport | Copenhagen, Denmark | Mar 2021 – May 2022

Full Stack Developer – React Native / React / Node.js

- Built and shipped a greenfield React Native application, React web experiences, and an internal admin dashboard from design through production release.
- Designed Node.js services and REST API integrations with WebSocket live updates; owned Ubuntu/Hetzner deployment, SSL, release pipelines, and production maintenance.
- Delivered features across UI, API, and operations while troubleshooting production issues in a startup environment.

Legently Sports | Stockholm, Sweden | Jan 2021 – Mar 2021

Gatsby.js Developer – React

- Built a responsive React/Gatsby product with Sanity.io, GraphQL, and Sass, using reusable components and API-driven content.

myRide | Massachusetts, USA | Nov 2020 – Mar 2021

React Native Developer

- Built a cross-platform vehicle interface integrating ROS APIs and real-time monitoring.

Earlier Experience: Truzon Software – Full Stack Developer (React/Node.js); Arjus Developers – Web Developer; iCAPS – Web Development / IT Instructor.

AWARDS & CERTIFICATIONS

- RAKBANK AI Hackathon – 1st Prize (2023): Python components for Synthetic Data Generation & Secure Sandbox.
- Generative AI for Software Developers – Microsoft (2026)
- AI for Brainstorming and Planning – Google (2026)
- AI for Research and Insights – Google (2026).

EDUCATION

B.Sc. (Hons.) Computational Physics | University of the Punjab, Lahore, Pakistan | 2004 – 2008