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Full-Stack Software Engineer

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SUMMARY

I have been building software for 5 years. I designed and built Parhako NET, DayApp and Superpaint. I co-founded Parhako and led its engineering. I led client projects at Bitsmiths and worked on a team at Smodin.

EXPERIENCE

Co-Founder & Lead Engineer — Parhako Sep 2024 – Jul 2026

- Set up the frontend and backend repos, the style guide, and the coding conventions.
- Managed cloud deployment on AWS: EC2, ASG, ALB, RDS Postgres, later moved to Aurora. Removed the ASG when traffic didn't need it.
- Designed the blueprint based agentic pipeline that generated the platform content: tests, practice sets, and notes.
- Managed data and site security: auth, validation, databases reachable only through an SSH tunnel, scripted backups.
- 2,400+ students used the platform, 50+ of them paying.

parhako.com · Parhako NET · Parhako MDCAT

Lead Full-Stack Engineer — Bitsmiths Studio Aug 2025 – Oct 2025

- Did PR review and QA; ran 1:1 review sessions with engineers for guidance and code quality.
- Discussed features directly with clients: technical feasibility, and how to advance their products.
- Managed client infrastructure on Coolify and Supabase.

Founder & Engineer — Lightangle Tech Jun 2023 – Aug 2024

- Created an automated restaurant site analyzer: feature detection, performance, and UX audits.
- Created an automated outreach engine: Google Maps API, Python, LLM API.
- Built online ordering, delivery management, and inventory systems for restaurants.

Full-Stack Developer — TopDevSpace (Contract) Jan 2023 – Jun 2023

Remote (USA)

- Migrated a .NET stack to AWS serverless: Terraform, NestJS, Lambda, DynamoDB.
- Worked with a team on a React JS codebase: UI/UX fixes and enhancements.

Full-Stack JS Developer — Smodin Jun 2022 – Dec 2022

Remote (USA)

- Migrated complete features from legacy React JS to Next.js and TypeScript.
- Created an in-house UI library to replace MUI. Got a 40% performance boost.
- Upgraded the site UI to the new Figma design.

Full Stack Web and App Developer — Freelance Mar 2021 – Jun 2022

- Built a React Native Expo app for medical school prep.
- Designed and developed an appointment app for skin doctors on the JAM stack.
- Integrated Facebook Graph API and Marketplace functionality into an existing backend.
- Developed an ed tech app for primary students.
- Developed a business management web app: meeting scheduling and invoice management.
- Shipped a travel booking app for Baydaar Travels.
- Created Rene Icons, an open-source icon library.

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PROJECTS

DayApp — getdayapp.vercel.app · github.com/faraz-35/dayapp 2026

Rust, Tauri 2, React, SQLite

- A hyper-minimal, power-user macOS superapp: tasks, notes, goals, timers, reminders, analytics, and journaling in one, shaped to you via editable appearance and feature toggles in settings.

Superpaint — getsuperpaint.vercel.app · github.com/faraz-35/superpaint 2026

Swift, AppKit

- Overlay canvas for the Mac — draw over any app, then let clicks pass through.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages:	TypeScript, JavaScript, Python, SQL
Frontend:	React, Next.js, React Native Expo, Tailwind CSS, TanStack Query
Backend:	Node.js, Express, GraphQL, Supabase, Prisma
Databases:	PostgreSQL, DynamoDB
DevOps:	AWS (EC2, Lambda, SAM, ALB, ASG), Terraform, CI/CD
Testing:	Cypress (end-to-end frontend), Playwright, Postman schema validation

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Engineering in Software Engineering — National University of Sciences and Technology (NUST) 2019 – 2023

Islamabad, Pakistan

CERTIFICATIONS

AWS Cloud Solutions Architect, DevOps on AWS (Coursera); IBM Full Stack Software Developer (Coursera); Meta Front-End Developer, Meta React Native (Coursera).

LANGUAGES

English (Full Professional) Urdu (Full Professional)