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Senior QA Engineer & Automation Lead

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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Results-driven QA Lead & Senior Automation Engineer with 8+ years of experience delivering high-quality software across Oil & Gas, Fintech, E-commerce, and Ad Tech domains. Proven track record of architecting automation frameworks from the ground up, leading cross-functional QA teams, and integrating AI-powered testing strategies that reduced release cycles by 40%. Certified ISTQB CTFL + AI professional with hands-on expertise in Selenium, Cypress, Playwright, Appium, and CI/CD pipelines. Adept at defining end-to-end test strategies, mentoring QA engineers, acting as Scrum Master, and collaborating with product and engineering leadership to ensure zero-defect production releases. Passionate about leveraging emerging AI tools to modernize QA practices and drive continuous improvement.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Senior Software Test Engineer | Baker Hughes – T1 Tech, Dubai

March 2024 – Present • Domain: Well Intervention / Oil & Gas

- Defined and owned the end-to-end test strategy for critical Well Intervention modules, covering smoke, regression, integration, and system-level testing across all release cycles.
- Architected and maintained an automation framework using Katalon and Azure DevOps, reducing manual testing efforts and accelerating release cycles by 40%.
- Managed automated test pipelines within the CI/CD process, ensuring fast, reliable, and defect-free deployments across environments.
- Served as Scrum Master, facilitating sprint daily stand-ups, sprint reviews and planning, maintaining team velocity, and driving agile best practices across the QA and dev teams.
- Acted as the primary point of contact between QA and the operations team, triaging and resolving production client issues with urgency.
- Integrated AI into QA workflows to accelerate test case generation, defect analysis, and documentation while enforcing security compliance policies.
- Partnered with designers, product managers, and developers during sprint planning to define test coverage, clarify requirements, and provide early-stage feature feedback.

Software Test Engineer | Deriv, Dubai

August 2022 – March 2024 • Domain: Trading / Fintech

- Spearheaded the introduction and implementation of performance testing using JMeter and Lighthouse Metrics ; first-ever performance testing initiative at Deriv.
 - Owned QA for two core trading products across Web and Mobile (Indices, Forex, Crypto, CFDs), delivering test coverage for high-frequency, real-time financial platforms.
 - Built and maintained automated test suites using Robot Framework, Cypress, and Appium for web and mobile automation.
 - Mentored 2 junior QA engineers, enabling them to independently own automation suites and contribute to sprint deliverables.
 - Adhered to SCRUM framework, actively participated in backlog grooming, sprint reviews, and retrospectives.
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Software Test Engineer II | Media.net Software Services

April 2020 – August 2022 • Domain: Ad Tech / Domain Monetization

- Performed comprehensive API testing using Postman and validated backend data integrity through database SP calls for admin panel and report generation modules.
- Led quality ownership as a senior tester across the ad tech platform, driving test case creation, defect reporting, and stakeholder communication.
- Executed manual and functional testing across cross-browser and cross-OS environments, ensuring platform stability.

Lead Software Test Engineer | Justdial Limited, Mumbai

April 2018 – April 2020 • Domain: E-commerce

- Led, mentored, and coordinated a team of 8 QA engineers, overseeing task allocation, quality benchmarks, and individual performance; recognized with the Star Performer Award.
- Defined and maintained complete QA documentation: Test Plans, Test Specifications, Test Summary Reports, Traceability Matrix, and Regression packs.
- Ensured flawless functionality of e-commerce platforms, delivering seamless customer experiences across the full purchase journey.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Automation Testing: Selenium, Cypress, Playwright, Robot Framework, Katalon

Mobile Automation: Appium

API Testing: Postman, Swagger

Performance Testing: JMeter, K6, Apptim

Security Testing: OWASP ZAP

Database Testing: PostgreSQL, MySQL, MS SQL

CI/CD & DevOps : Azure DevOps, GitHub Actions

AI in Testing: DeepEval, AI Agents, LLM, ChatGPT, GitHub Copilot

Programming: Java, JavaScript, TypeScript, Python

Functional Testing: Integration, Regression, Smoke, UAT

Test Management: Test Case Design, Bug Reporting, Traceability Matrix

Methodologies: Agile/Scrum, SDLC, Requirements Analysis

CERTIFICATIONS & ACHIEVEMENTS

- ISTQB Certified – AI Testing
- ISTQB Certified – Foundation Level
- Scrum Master – PSM
- Star Performer Award – Justdial Limited

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Engineering – Computer Engineering

Rizvi College of Engineering, Mumbai | July 2013 – March 2017