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CORE COMPETENCIES

AUTOMATION & INTEGRATION

n8n · Zapier · HubSpot · API / Webhooks

DATA ENGINEERING & BI

Databricks · SQL · ETL · Pandas · scikit-learn · Power BI · DAX · Power Query

AI & LLM

Chatbots · RAG · LLM Agents · OpenAI · Claude · Gemini

SECURITY OPERATIONS

Linux Auth Logs · Windows Event Logs · Wazuh · Wireshark · GreyNoise · gitleaks · Semgrep · CSP / Headers · Vulnerability & Risk Assessment · Incident Response Planning

TOOLS

Python · JavaScript · Git · GitHub · Docker

LANGUAGES

Urdu	*Native*
Punjabi	*Native*
English	*B2*
German	*A2*
Arabic	*Basic*

Hafiz Syed Shah Ali

AI ENGINEER | SOC ENGINEERING & SECURITY AUTOMATION

PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

AI Engineer from Lahore, Pakistan, focused on SOC engineering and security automation. I build automation systems, data pipelines and LLM agents for government and international clients using n8n, Zapier, Python, Databricks and Power BI, and I apply the same skills to security operations: detection and alerting workflows with IP enrichment and alert severity levels, Linux and Windows log analysis, and web application hardening. I publish a technical post every night in my security journal. Open to SOC Engineer and security automation roles.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Freelance — 1 yr

Upwork and direct clients | AI and automation solutions for international clients

Freelance AI Automation Engineer
Dec 2025 — Present · 1 yr

Lahore, Pakistan · REMOTE · PART-TIME

- **Delivering AI and automation projects end to end** for international clients, from requirements to production — 10+ successful projects with a 100% Job Success Score on Upwork.
- **Building LLM agents and pipelines** for recruitment screening, appointment booking over WhatsApp, AI candidate scoring in a Chrome extension, and vision-based desktop automation on Windows.
- **Automated e-commerce product listing** by collecting product data from a source website and publishing it to the client's WooCommerce store.
- **Conducted a security review of a Chrome extension:** reviewed its permissions, data storage and handling of user data, and hardened it to keep user data safe.

Electric Future (Revcharge) — 6 mos

EV charging company, Australia

AI Automation and Data Intelligence Engineer
Apr 2026 — Sep 2026 · 6 mos

Australia · REMOTE · CONTRACT

- **Led a Databricks data-platform pilot end to end:** proposal, Bronze/Silver/Gold pipelines and Genie self-service, plus a Databricks vs Microsoft Fabric comparison for leadership.
- **Automated sales, operations and finance pipelines** with n8n and Zapier across WooCommerce and HubSpot, including the sales-to-installation process.
- **Built and audited Power BI dashboards** for business and compliance reporting: fixed DAX and Power Query logic and documented each dashboard.
- **Traced production issues to root cause,** such as duplicate orders and wrong invoices, and built cross-system reconciliation to catch missing records.
- **Supported security investigations:** traced a suspected customer-data exposure to its source and verified a suspicious remote-access request before granting access.

Punjab Information Technology Board (PITB) — 2 yrs

Government IT board, Punjab, Pakistan

AI and Data Automation Engineer
Aug 2024 — Jul 2026 · 2 yrs

Lahore, Pakistan · ON-SITE · CONTRACT

- **Analysed Citizen Contact Center data** to track service and complaint trends.
- **Built Power BI dashboards and SQL ETL pipelines** for management reporting.
- **Developed predictive models** with Python and scikit-learn to find patterns and forecast trends in contact-center data.
- **Automated recurring tasks** such as file transfers and complaint handling with n8n.
- **Built AI chatbots for citizen services,** including the chatbot for a province-wide public helpline.

EDUCATION

B.S. Computer Science
University of Central Punjab, Lahore
2022 — 2026

TRAININGS & CERTIFICATIONS

Junior Cybersecurity Analyst Career Path
Cisco Networking Academy | Nov 2026

Courses:

- Cyber Threat Management
- Network Defense
- Endpoint Security
- Introduction to Cybersecurity
- Networking Devices and Initial Configuration
- Networking Basics

AWS Cloud Practitioner Essentials (course completion)
AWS Skill Builder | Oct 2026

Operating Systems Basics
Cisco Networking Academy | Oct 2026

Computer Hardware Basics
Cisco Networking Academy | Oct 2026

Sales Forecasting
HP LIFE (HP Foundation) | Dec 2025

HIGHLIGHTS

100% Job Success Score
Upwork

10+ successful projects
Upwork

WORK EXPERIENCE (CONTINUED)

Suite Dreams UK Limited — 4 mos

ERP (NetSuite) internship

ERP Solutions Intern (NetSuite)
Jul 2023 — Oct 2023
United Kingdom REMOTE INTERNSHIP
4 mos

- **Customized NetSuite and automated ERP workflows** with SuiteScript (JavaScript).

PROJECTS

Secure RAG Assistant — 2026

"Professor", the assistant on shahali.dev: answers questions about my work from public sources only, with source citations, rate limiting, prompt-injection defences and an OWASP LLM Top 10 threat model.

DEEPSEEK OPENROUTER GEMINI RAG OWASP LLM TOP 10

Security CI Pipeline — 2026

A custom gitleaks rule for Gmail app passwords, proven on a real leaked commit the default rules missed, plus Semgrep, npm audit, Dependabot and live security-header checks on every change.

GITHUB ACTIONS GITLEAKS SEMGREP DEVSECOPS

Vision-Based Desktop Automation Agent — 2026

A Python agent that operates Windows applications and websites like a person, reading the Windows UI Automation tree and using an AI vision model only for judgment tasks such as answering form questions. Provider-agnostic, built as a freelance project.

PYTHON PYWINAUTO AI VISION AUTOMATION

LinkedIn Recruitment Pipeline — 2026

n8n and LLM pipeline for a recruitment client that screened 1,000+ candidate profiles at 90%+ accuracy and cut manual screening time by 90%. Built as a freelance project.

N8N LLM AUTOMATION

Teamther.ai Chrome Extension — 2026

AI candidate scoring against job descriptions in English and French. Also carried out its security review: permissions, data storage and user-data handling.

CHROME EXTENSION LLM SECURITY REVIEW

EchoCart (Final Year Project) — FYP

A voice-controlled AI shopping assistant for visually impaired users: a Flutter app with a FastAPI backend, Firebase authentication, a voice module, an admin panel and live product data from several Pakistani online stores.

FLUTTER FASTAPI FIREBASE VOICE AI