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About me

Computer Science undergraduate passionate about software engineering and AI, with proven experience in full-stack development, Gen Al, and robotics. Strong foundation in algorithms, problem-solving, and collaborative project execution, driven by curiosity and a continuous learning mindset.

My education

SLIIT / CURRENTLY READING

BSc (Hons) in Computer Science

ANANDA COLLEGE / 2022

GCE Advance Level - Mathematics

Tools & Technologies

LANGUAGES & FRAMEWORKS:

Java C/C++ Python JavaScript .NET Spring Boot PHP DATABASES & PLATFORMS:

MySQL PostgreSQL MongoDB Firebase Supabase Redis CLOUD, DEVOPS & INFRASTRUCTURE

Docker Git Linux Vercel CI/CD Postman AWS Azure CONCEPTS & METHODOLOGIES

OOP REST Microservices SDLC Distributed Systems Agile **DESIGN & MULTIMEDIA TOOLS:**

Figma Adobe Photoshop Adobe Illustrator Blender Canva

Project Highlight

Sosamala Voting - Secure Online Voting Platform

Developed an open-source, self-hostable voting platform handling 1,000+ concurrent users.

- Built with Next.js 14, PostgreSQL, Arcjet, and Google OAuth.
- Enforced one vote per verified user with hashed emails, server-side RLS, rate limiting, and bot detection.

TidyCourseweb - Chrome Extension for SLIIT Courseweb

Built a Chrome extension for the SLIIT Courseweb allowing students to hide/show modules.

• Developed using JavaScript (Manifest V3), HTML, and CSS with Chrome Storage Sync for preferences across devices.

Project-Based Learning Management System (LMS)

Developed a full-stack LMS using Spring Boot and Next.js implementing role-based access control, JWT authentication.

• Designed a microservice architecture with Dockerized services, hosted on Render.

Micromouse - Autonomous Maze-Solving Robot

Designed & implemented an ESP32-based robot in C++ that solves mazes using the flood-fill algorithm, integrating gyroscope feedback & motor control for precise navigation.

Work Experience



DEC 2024 | PRESENT

Research Assistant Intern under Prof. Nuwan Kodagoda

Began as a Generative Al Research Intern and later joined the COE-Al Research Team.

- Contributed to 3+ Al tools and 2 academic presentations in education technology.
- Developed a Gemini-based recommender chatbot, a prototype face recognition system (90%+ accuracy), and an OCR tool (~20% improvement vs Tesseract).
- Designed & launched the COE-AI web with CMS, enabling non-technical updates and cutting update time by 50%.



Associate Software Engineer (Part-Time) - RoboticGen

Worked closely with cross-functional teams to develop efficient software solutions.

- · Developed and maintained software components for robotics systems and internal tools.
- Delivered 5+ major features on schedule, collaborating on planning and implementation.
- · Optimized performance and improved code quality, reducing bugs by 20% through reviews and refactoring.



Robotics Instructor - RoboticGen Academy

Guided students as a Level 2 Mentor, helping them build practical skills and confidence.

- Mentored 30+ students in one-on-one sessions and assisted in 5+ workshops.
- Supported 2 exhibitions showcasing student projects and promoting STEM engagement.

Key Achievements

Winner - VibeFlow Al Hackathon (2025)

Developed a software product, leveraging AI tools to create innovative solutions and demonstrate practical impact.

Finalist - National Olympiad in Informatics (2019)

Recognized among the top competitive programmers in Sri Lanka for exceptional problem-solving and algorithmic skills.

Top Participant - Reply Code Challenge (2021, 2023 & 2024)

Competed in an international team coding challenge, solving complex algorithms under time pressure.

Leadership

CSSC MAY 2025 | PRESENT

President (current)

Lead the university's CS community and drive studentfocused tech initiatives.

- Organize 5+ tech events, reaching over 500+ participants.
- Launch peer-learning programs that boost member engagement by 40%.
- Build and manage a core team of 15+ members to promote leadership and teamwork.
- · Partner with industry professionals and alumni to deliver high-impact sessions.

ACICTS FEB 2021 | FEB 2022

Vice President

Ananda College ICT Society (ACICTS). Led student-driven ICT initiatives.

- Coordinated 10+ coding competitions and events, engaging 200+ participants.
- Conducted morning teaching sessions for 50+ students to build foundational ICT knowledge.
- · Represented ACICTS in inter-school competitions and secured 5+ team victories.

Additional Achievements

Academic & Technical

- Finalist IEEE R10 Robotics Competition (2024)
- Finalist Algothon Contest, CODEFEST (2025)
- Dean's List SLIIT (2024)
- MicroMaze Micromouse IIT IEEE Competition (2024)
- Participant Google Code-in (2018 & 2019)
- 9As G.C.E. Ordinary Level | Ananda College Prize-Giving
- Winner/Runner-up ICT Day Competitions at St. Peter's, Wesley, and Museaus Colleges

Sports & Athletics

- Ananda College Road Race Top 10 2018 | 2019
- KDU Inter-University Meet 5000m Track Event
- Ananda College Sport Meet Track & Field Events

Esports & Gaming

- Champion Interschool Esports Championship (Dota 2) (2018, 2019, 2022 - Multiple titles over 3 years)
- Champion Interschool Esports Championship 2018 Runners Up COD 4

Projects & Initiatives

Creativo Code

A startup rooted in the collaborative efforts of the Ananda College ICT Society

- Led UI/UX and branding efforts across 5 client projects.
- Contributed to design and development of 5+ digital products, combining innovation, usability, and impact.

DSL Compiler & GUI for HTML Form Generation

Built a DSL compiler using Lex, Yacc, and Rust.

- · Designed a Tauri-based GUI for live preview.
- · Use CLI flags for theme, shape, and style options.

Medhub - Patient Management System

Developed a PMS using Spring Boot for small-scale hospitals.

- Implemented patient records, appointments, billing & ect.
- RESTful APIs with role-based access & secure auth.
- · Dockerized services and used PostgreSQL for DB.

GitHub Profile-Based Minesweeper Game

Developed an interactive Minesweeper game using GitHub README images as the board. Implemented real-time state updates with Upstash Redis and a Next.js API, ensuring synchronized gameplay without CDN caching issues.

AquaClash Swimming Scoreboard Application

Built a serverless Next.js and Firebase app to manage realtime scores for 50+ events with 200+ participants, handling 1,000+ concurrent users and providing instant updates for competitors and spectators

Sosamala - IoT Sensor Monitoring & Control System

ESP32-based IoT platform with sensors and MQTT for realtime monitoring and remote device control.

Co-Developer - Battle of the Maroons Live Score App - 2019

Co-developed a real-time scoring platform for the Big match.

- Delivered live updates to 2,000+ online viewers.
- Used Firebase & React for real-time syncing & UI rendering.

Volunteer Experience

Session Conductor - SLIIT FCSC Study Support

Delivered over 5+ academic support sessions organized by the Faculty & Department, assisting 500+ peers.

Technical Crew - Ananda College Prize-Giving (2019-2020)

Operated live broadcast systems and managed stream quality for 2+ annual school prize-giving events, ensuring smooth and uninterrupted technical execution.

Event Volunteer - SLIIT AquaClash & Relay Carnival

Supported logistics & operations for university Swimming & relay events over 2 years, ensuring smooth execution each time.

References

Prof. Nuwan Kodagoda

BSc Eng (Hons) - University of Moratuwa MPhil - University of Moratuwa | PhD - Sheffield Hallam MBCS, MIET, MCSS

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