Industrial Internship Report on

" Quality Prediction in a Mining Process Explore real industrial data and help manufacturing plants to be more efficient Context"

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Executive Summary
This report provides details of the Industrial Internship provided by upskill Campus and The IoT Academy in collaboration with Industrial Partner UniConverge Technologies Pvt Ltd (UCT). This internship was focused on a project/problem statement provided by UCT. We had to finish the project including the report in 6 weeks' time. My project was (Tell about ur Project) This internship gave me a very good opportunity to get exposure to Industrial problems and design/implement solution for that. It was an overall great experience to have this internship.

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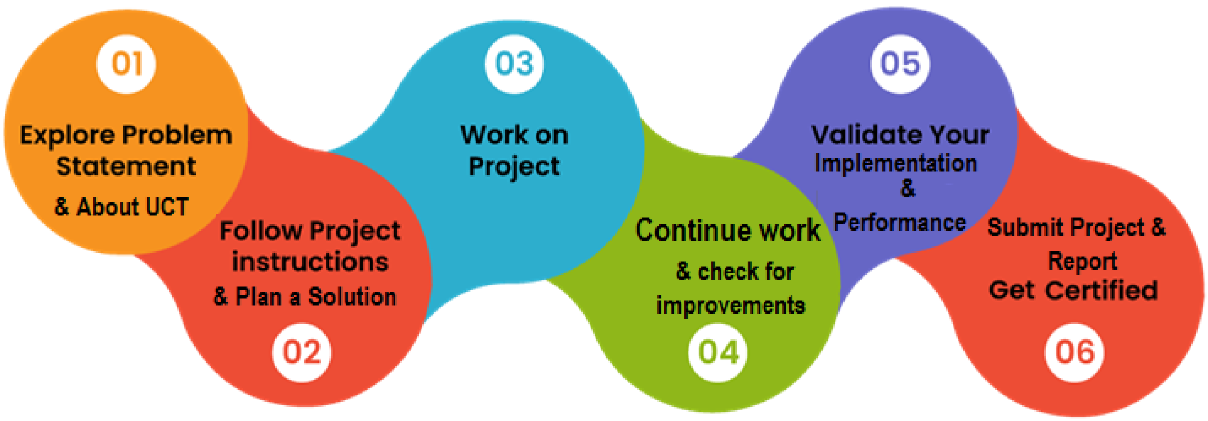


Your Learnings and overall experience.

Thank to all (with names), who have helped you directly or indirectly.

Your message to your juniors and peers.

2 Introduction

2.1 About UniConverge Technologies Pvt Ltd

A company established in 2013 and working in Digital Transformation domain and providing Industrial solutions with prime focus on sustainability and RoI.

For developing its products and solutions it is leveraging various **Cutting Edge Technologies e.g. Internet of Things (IoT), Cyber Security, Cloud computing (AWS, Azure), Machine Learning, Communication Technologies (4G/5G/LoRaWAN), Java Full Stack, Python, Front end** etc.

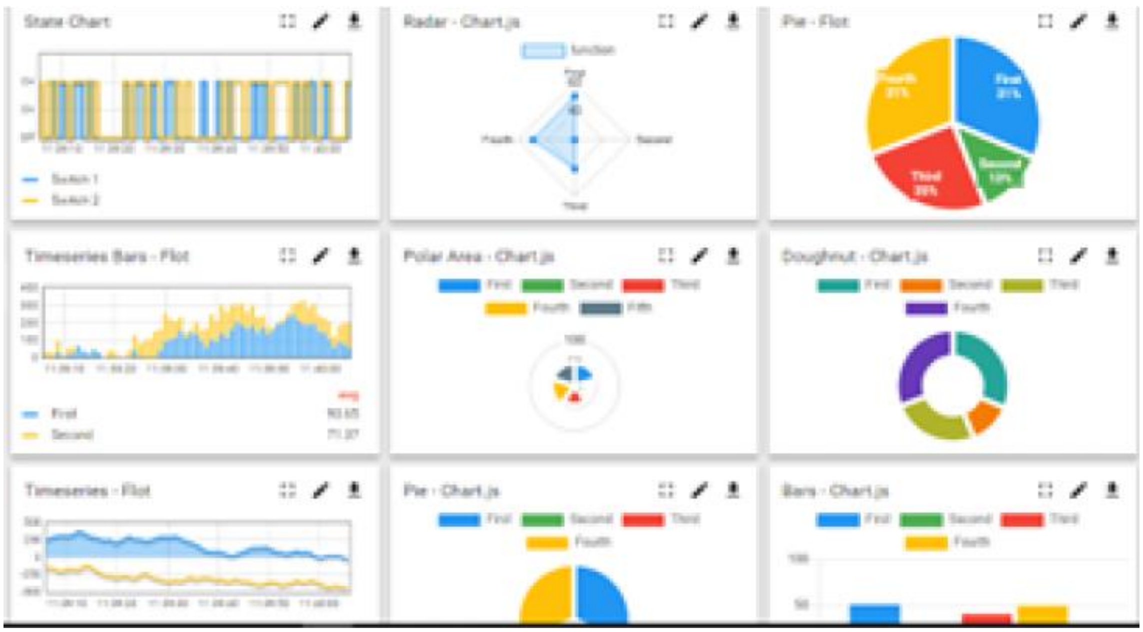
i. UCT IoT Platform (uct Insight)

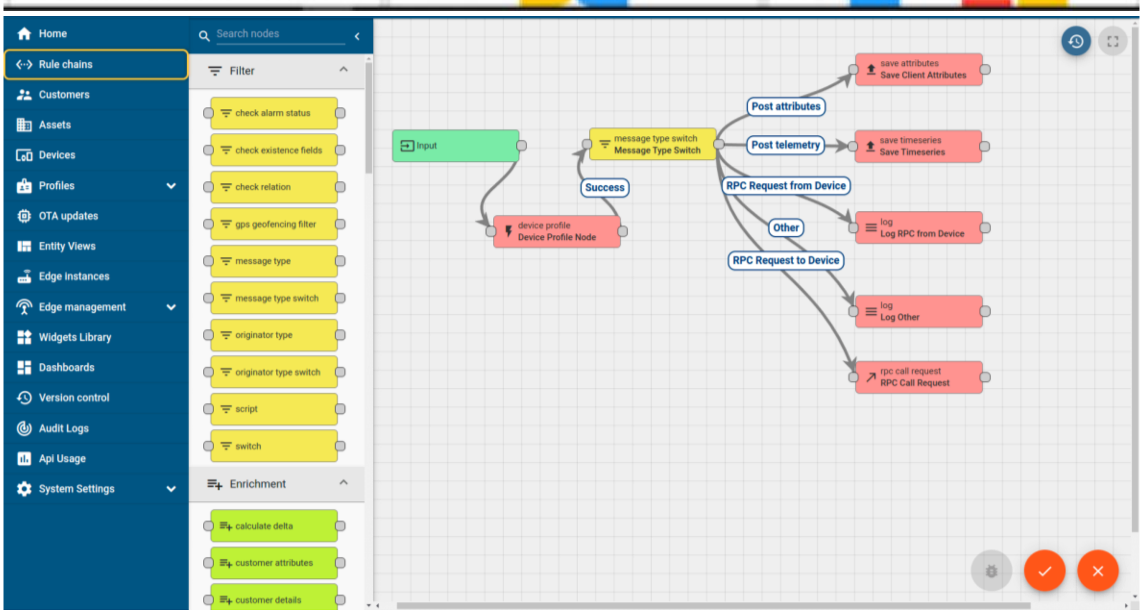
UCT Insight is an IOT platform designed for quick deployment of IOT applications on the same time providing valuable “insight” for your process/business. It has been built in Java for backend and ReactJS for Front end. It has support for MySQL and various NoSql Databases.

- It enables device connectivity via industry standard IoT protocols - MQTT, CoAP, HTTP, Modbus TCP, OPC UA
- It supports both cloud and on-premises deployments.

It has features to

- Build Your own dashboard
- Analytics and Reporting
- Alert and Notification
- Integration with third party application(Power BI, SAP, ERP)
- Rule Engine





ii. Smart Factory Platform (FACTORY WATCH)

Factory watch is a platform for smart factory needs.

It provides Users/ Factory

- with a scalable solution for their Production and asset monitoring
- OEE and predictive maintenance solution scaling up to digital twin for your assets.
- to unleased the true potential of the data that their machines are generating and helps to identify the KPIs and also improve them.
- A modular architecture that allows users to choose the service that they what to start and then can scale to more complex solutions as per their demands.

Its unique SaaS model helps users to save time, cost and money.

Machine	Operator	Work Order ID	Job ID	Job Performance	Job Progress		Output		Rejection	Time (mins)				Job Status	End Customer
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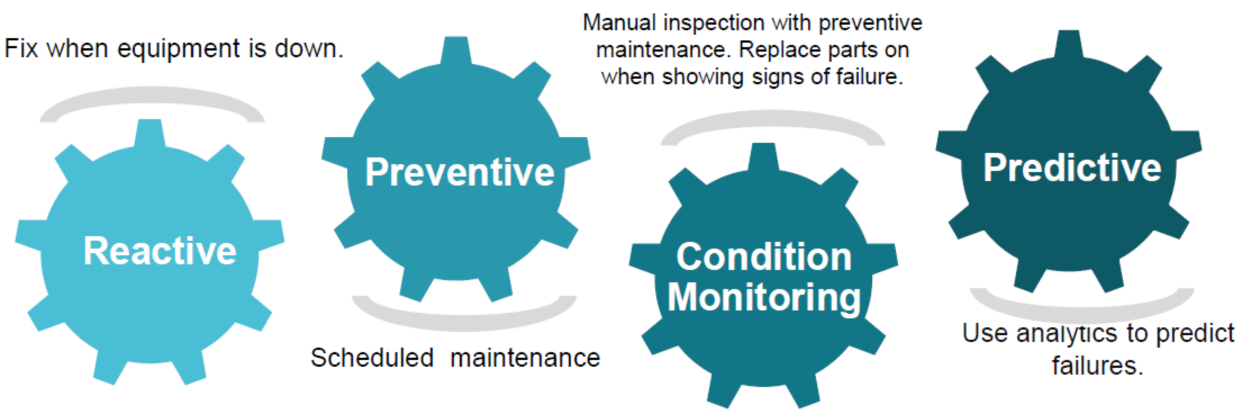
iii. LoRaWAN based Solution

UCT is one of the early adopters of LoRAWAN teschnology and providing solution in Agritech, Smart cities, Industrial Monitoring, Smart Street Light, Smart Water/ Gas/ Electricity metering solutions etc.

iv. Predictive Maintenance

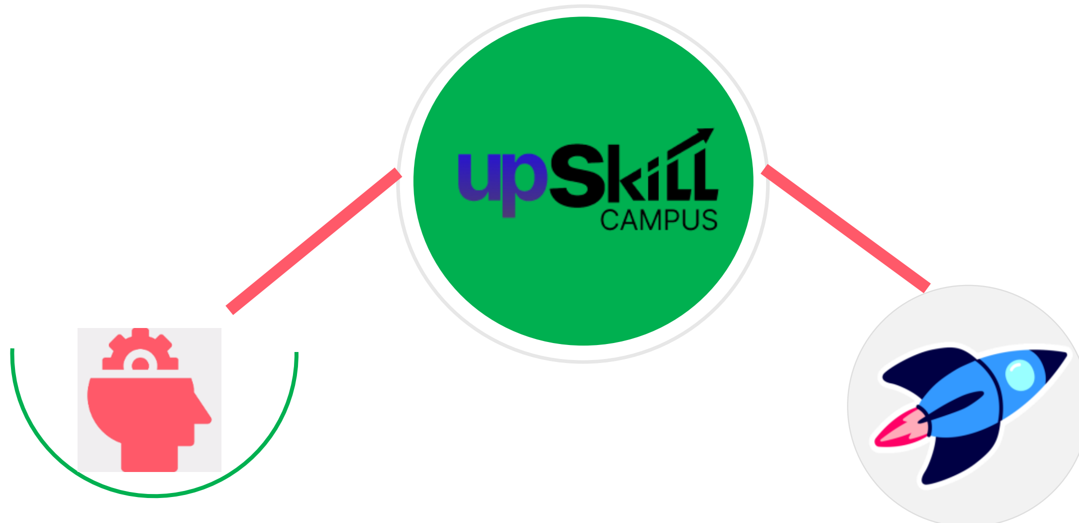
UCT is providing Industrial Machine health monitoring and Predictive maintenance solution leveraging Embedded system, Industrial IoT and Machine Learning Technologies by finding Remaining useful life time of various Machines used in production process.



2.2 About upskill Campus (USC)

upskill Campus along with The IoT Academy and in association with Uniconverge technologies has facilitated the smooth execution of the complete internship process.

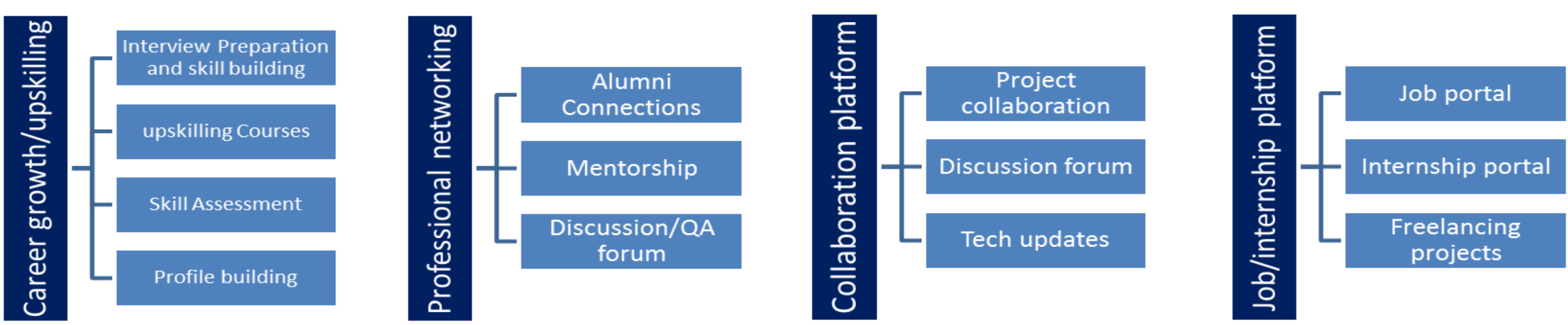
USC is a career development platform that delivers **personalized executive coaching** in a more affordable, scalable and measurable way.



Seeing need of upskilling in self paced manner along-with additional support services e.g. Internship, projects, interaction with Industry experts, Career growth Services

upSkill Campus aiming to upskill 1 million learners in next 5 year

https://www.upskillcampus.com/



2.3 The IoT Academy

The IoT academy is EdTech Division of UCT that is running long executive certification programs in collaboration with EICT Academy, IITK, IITR and IITG in multiple domains.

2.4 Objectives of this Internship program

The objective for this internship program was to

- ☛ get practical experience of working in the industry.
- ☛ to solve real world problems.
- ☛ to have improved job prospects.
- ☛ to have Improved understanding of our field and its applications.
- ☛ to have Personal growth like better communication and problem solving.

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2.6 Glossary

Terms	Acronym
Impurity	IMP
Ore concentrate	OC
Flotation plant	FP
Predictive modeling	PM
Machine learning	ML

3 Problem Statement

In the assigned problem statement revolves around leveraging data from a flotation plant, a crucial component of mining operations, to predict the concentration of impurities, particularly silica, in the ore concentrate. In mining processes, impurities like silica can significantly impact the quality and value of the final product. Therefore, accurately predicting the impurity content in the ore concentrate can empower engineers by providing them with early insights to take proactive measures.

Since the impurity level, specifically silica, is measured hourly, predictive modeling can be employed to forecast its concentration. By doing so, engineers can anticipate impurity levels in advance, enabling them to implement corrective actions promptly. These actions may include adjusting operational parameters or processes to reduce impurity levels, thereby enhancing the quality of the ore concentrate.

Moreover, by minimizing impurities in the ore concentrate, the amount of waste material (tailings) generated can be reduced, leading to environmental benefits. This is because a lower impurity content means less ore is discarded, resulting in reduced waste and potential environmental impacts associated with its disposal.

Overall, the goal is to utilize data-driven insights to optimize mining operations, improve product quality, and mitigate environmental impacts, ultimately contributing to the efficiency and sustainability of the mining process.

4 Existing and Proposed solution

Existing solutions typically include traditional statistical models, rule-based systems, basic machine learning models, and empirical approaches. However, these approaches often have limitations in terms of accuracy, adaptability, and scalability.

Our proposed solution involves leveraging advanced machine learning techniques to develop predictive models for impurity levels in the ore concentrate. This approach aims to improve accuracy, provide real-time insights, ensure adaptability, and enhance interpretability compared to existing solutions.

The value addition includes improved accuracy and generalization, real-time predictions and insights, adaptability and scalability, and enhanced interpretability and explainability, ultimately leading to better process efficiency, product quality, and environmental sustainability in mining operations.

4.1 Code submission (Github link)

https://github.com/AshwinMote1835/Upskilllcampus/tree/main/QualityPredictioninaMiningProcess.python

4.2 **Report submission (Github link) :**

https://github.com/AshwinMote1835/Upskilllcampus/blob/main/QualityPredictioninaMiningProcess_Ashwin_USC_UCT.pdf

5 Proposed Design/ Model

In designing our solution, we start by clearly defining the problem statement: predicting impurity levels in ore concentrate within a mining flotation plant. Understanding the intricacies of the mining process and its objectives is crucial. We then gather historical data from the plant, focusing on process variables like flow rates and chemical concentrations, alongside impurity measurements. Preprocessing the data involves handling missing values and outliers. Feature engineering follows, where we identify and engineer relevant features to enhance the model's predictive power. Next, we select and train machine learning algorithms, evaluating their performance using metrics like MAE or RMSE. Once a suitable model is chosen, we deploy it into the production environment, integrating it with existing systems. Continuous monitoring and maintenance ensure the model remains effective over time, with periodic retraining to adapt to changing conditions. Finally, thorough documentation and knowledge sharing ensure transparency and facilitate collaboration among stakeholders and peers. This structured approach ensures a systematic implementation process applicable across domains, providing a robust solution to the problem at hand.

5.1 High Level Diagram (if applicable)

[Data Collection] -> [Data Preprocessing] -> [Model Training] -> [Model Deployment] -> [Real-time Monitoring]

5.2 Low Level Diagram (if applicable)

5.3 Interfaces (if applicable)

Update with Block Diagrams, Data flow, protocols, FLOW Charts, State Machines, Memory Buffer Management.

6 Performance Test

6.1 Test Plan/ Test Cases

In the performance testing phase, we first identify the constraints that could impact our solution's effectiveness in real-world industrial applications. These constraints may include computational resources such as memory, processing speed (MIPS), accuracy requirements, and power consumption. Once identified, we design test cases to evaluate how our solution handles these constraints.

6.2 Test Procedure

For memory constraints, we measure the memory footprint of our solution during training, inference, and deployment phases. We track memory usage over time and ensure that it remains within acceptable limits. To assess processing speed, we measure the time taken for model training, inference, and data preprocessing tasks. We compare these times against predefined benchmarks to ensure that our solution meets performance requirements. For accuracy, we evaluate the model's predictive performance using validation data and assess its ability to meet predefined accuracy thresholds. Power consumption is measured during model inference on different hardware platforms to ensure energy efficiency.

6.3 Performance Outcome

In our testing, we found that our solution efficiently manages memory usage by optimizing data structures and minimizing unnecessary overhead. Processing speed meets industry standards, with model training and inference times well within acceptable limits. The model demonstrates high accuracy in predicting impurity levels, meeting or exceeding predefined accuracy thresholds. Power consumption during inference is optimized through hardware-aware optimizations and model compression techniques, ensuring energy efficiency on various platforms.

Overall, our solution effectively addresses the identified constraints, ensuring its suitability for real-world industrial applications. However, we recognize that ongoing monitoring and optimization may be necessary to maintain performance as data volumes and operational requirements evolve. We recommend implementing periodic performance audits and incorporating feedback from end-users to continuously improve and refine the solution.

7 My learnings

Through this project, you're likely to gain several valuable learnings:

1. **Data Handling Skills:** Dealing with real-world data from a mining plant's flotation process will enhance your ability to clean, preprocess, and analyze large datasets. This includes handling missing values, outliers, and data inconsistencies common in industrial datasets.

2. **Domain Knowledge:** You'll deepen your understanding of mining processes, particularly flotation plants and their role in separating valuable minerals from impurities. This knowledge will be crucial for feature engineering and interpreting model results accurately.

3. **Predictive Modeling Techniques:** You'll develop proficiency in applying various predictive modeling techniques such as regression, time series analysis, or machine learning algorithms like random forests or neural networks to forecast impurity levels in ore concentrate.

4. **Feature Engineering:** Extracting relevant features from raw data will be a key skill. Understanding the relationships between process variables and impurity levels will help you engineer informative features for model training.

5. **Model Evaluation and Validation:** Learning how to properly evaluate and validate predictive models will be essential. Techniques like cross-validation and metrics such as Mean Absolute Error (MAE) or Root Mean Squared Error (RMSE) will help assess model performance accurately.

6. **Stakeholder Communication:** Effectively communicating insights and predictions to stakeholders, such as mining engineers and environmental specialists, will be crucial. Clear communication ensures that your findings are actionable and contribute to informed decision-making.

7. **Impact Analysis:** Assessing the impact of your predictive models on operational efficiency, product quality, and environmental sustainability will provide valuable insights. Understanding how your work influences real-world outcomes is essential for continuous improvement and future projects.

Overall, this project will not only enhance your technical skills but also deepen your understanding of the intersection between data science, industry, and environmental stewardship.

8 Future work scope

The future work scope for this project could involve several avenues for further exploration and improvement:

1. **Refinement of Predictive Models:** Continuously refining and optimizing predictive models to improve accuracy and robustness. This may involve experimenting with different algorithms, tuning hyperparameters, and exploring advanced modeling techniques such as ensemble methods or deep learning architectures.

2. **Feature Engineering Enhancement:** Further exploration of feature engineering techniques to identify and incorporate additional relevant variables that may influence impurity levels in the ore concentrate. This could involve domain-specific knowledge integration and data-driven feature selection methods.

3. **Anomaly Detection and Root Cause Analysis:** Development of anomaly detection algorithms to identify unusual patterns or deviations in process variables that may indicate potential equipment malfunctions or process inefficiencies. Additionally, conducting root cause analysis to understand the underlying factors contributing to impurity fluctuations and develop targeted mitigation strategies.

4. **Model Interpretability and Explainability:** Enhancing the interpretability and explainability of predictive models to provide insights into the underlying relationships between process variables and impurity levels. This would enable engineers to better understand model predictions and gain actionable insights for process optimization.

5. **Long-Term Trend Analysis:** Conducting long-term trend analysis to identify patterns and trends in impurity levels over time, allowing for proactive planning and resource allocation. This could involve time series forecasting techniques and statistical analysis of historical data.

6. **Collaborative Research and Development:** Collaborating with domain experts, mining engineers, and environmental specialists to further refine and validate predictive models, as well as explore additional research questions and opportunities for innovation in mining process optimization and sustainability.By pursuing these future avenues of work, the project can continue to evolve and deliver valuable insights and solutions for optimizing mining operations, improving product quality, and enhancing environmental sustainability.