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EDUCATION

Arizona State University - 3.33 GPA

 $August\ 2023-May\ 2025$

Master of science in Computer Science

Tempe, AZ

Pandit Deendayal Energy University - 3.76 GPA

August 2019 - May 2023

Bachelor of Technology in Information and communication technology

Gujarat, India

EXPERIENCE

Teaching Assistant

August 2024 - Present

Arizona State University

Tempe, AZ

- Led lab sessions and recitations for CSE 110, focusing on core Java concepts, hands-on debugging practices, and guiding students through step-by-step problem-solving methods in a classroom setting.
- Coordinated and streamlined the grading of programming assignments and exams, ensuring accuracy and efficiency, while
 handling grading-related issues using tools like grading scripts or platforms.
- Offered direct support to 225 students, assisting with code reviews, debugging, and technical queries, while maintaining effective communication and problem resolution.

Data Science Intern

June 2022 – May 2023

Ahmedabad, India

 $SculptSoft\ Pvt.\ Ltd.$

- Developed deep learning models for stock market prediction, utilizing TensorFlow and Keras to enhance model accuracy by 33.3%. Implemented LSTM networks to capture temporal dependencies, improving short-term forecasting.
- Engineered and maintained factual dashboards for real-time monitoring, leveraging software tools Tableau and Power BI, resulting in a 25.23% improvement in Parametric visualization efficiency.
- Implemented a Natural Language Processing (NLP) sentiment analysis model using Hugging Face's Transformers to analyze financial news, improving prediction accuracy by 17%.
- Integrated AWS S3 for scalable data storage and utilized Docker for containerized deployments, reducing infrastructure costs by 20%.

Software Developer Intern

March 2022 – April 2022

Mumbai, India

TalentServe

- Automated CI/CD pipelines using Jenkins and managed containerized applications with Docker, leading to a 35% reduction in deployment time.
- Leveraged AWS S3 for secure data storage and Google Cloud Platform for scaling backend services, reducing operational costs by 20% and managed project documentation and issue tracking with Jira and Confluence.
- Developed RestAPIs in Flask utilizing NLP to dynamically ask users mental health-related questions, generate follow-up questions based on responses (capped at 10), and integrated it into the project.

Projects

Real-time Sentiment Analysis on The Fabric Testbed

September 2023 – December 2023

- Collected and pre-processed data from Kaggle, converting to data packets for distributed processing across multiple servers.
- Created a multi-server architecture with load balancing, where each server performed different machine learning tasks, then aggregated results on the client side.
- Ensured efficient data transmission and fault tolerance using TCP/IP protocols for real-time insights to the user.

Enhancing Question Generation with Novel Reward Functions

September 2023 – December 2023

- Guided the development of NLP-based models for question generation, leveraging novel reward functions to enhance accuracy and precision by 22.5%.
- Implemented reinforcement learning techniques to refine question relevance and coherence based on user interactions.
- Optimized model performance through iterative training and hyperparameter tuning.

Technical Skills

Languages: Java, Python, C#, C/C++, SQL, JavaScript, HTML/CSS

Frameworks & Libraries: Flask, React, Redux, Node.js, NLTK, TensorFlow, Scikit-learn, OpenCV, Pandas, NumPy

Databases: PostgreSQL, MySQL, Firebase Database, Oracle, MongoDB, DynamoDB

Developer Tools & Platforms: VS Code, IntelliJ, Eclipse, Power BI, Tableau, Git, GitLab, Jenkins, Docker, Jira, Confluence Cloud Platforms/Services: AWS, Google Cloud Platform (GCP), Firebase, IBM Cloud

PUBLICATIONS