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### DATA SCIENTIST

As a recent graduate with a strong foundation in **statistics** and machine learning algorithms, I have worked on several personal projects including **sentiment analysis**, **natural language processing**, and **computer vision**. In my recent projects, I have showcased my skills in **data cleaning**, **feature engineering**, and **model selection**. I have also demonstrated my proficiency in tools like **Python**, **TensorFlow**, **Keras**, **scikit-learn**, and **pandas**. With a passion for solving complex problems and a drive to constantly learn and improve, I am excited to take on new challenges in the field of Data Science.

### TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages : Python, SQL, JavaScript, MATLAB, C++

Frameworks : TensorFlow, Keras, Scikit-learn, Django, Streamlit

Libraries : matplotlib, pandas, NumPy, NLTK, Seaborn, BeautifulSoup, Selenium

Databases : MySQL, MongoDB

Dev Tools : VS Code, Git, GitHub, Jupyter Notebook, Anaconda, AWS, Kaggle

### EXPERIENCE

Junior Data Scientist

June 2023 – Present

Location: New Delhi, Delhi

New Delhi

Nuvoretail Enlytical Technologies Private Limited

- Automated Amazon Bidding with Python: Developed Python scripts to automate Amazon Marketing Services bidding, resulting in a 50% reduction in manual intervention and a 20% increase in performance.
- Improved Bidding Accuracy with Machine Learning: Developed a machine learning model to predict the optimal bid for a product, resulting in a 10% increase in performance.
- Optimized Task Scheduling with Airflow: Implemented Airflow for task scheduling, ensuring seamless execution of automated processes.
- Developed Flask Server for the Team: Developed a Flask server so that the team can interact and modify the system generated data.

## PROJECTS

**House Prices Prediction** 

Python, pandas, scikit-learn, kaggle, Matplotlib, Seaborn

Source Code

- Analyzed over 80 features to predict house prices using machine learning.
- Performed data visualization and feature engineering using Matplotlib and Seaborn, respectively.
- Trained multiple models using scikit-learn and selected the best one by applying grid search and cross-validation. Achieved a top 12% ranking on the Kaggle leaderboard.

Digit Recognizer

Python, TensorFlow, Keras, Kaggle

Source Code

- Developed a very deep **convolutional neural network** using TensorFlow and Keras with **dropout** and **batch normalization** to improve performance.
- Achieved an accuracy of 99.48% on the test set, securing a place in the top 15% on the Kaggle leaderboard.

Food Vision

Python, TensorFlow, Colab

Source Code

- Developed a deep neural network using TensorFlow and Keras to classify 101 categories of food.
- Used a pretrained **EfficientNet** model to extract features from the food images, and then **fine-tuned** the model to improve its accuracy.
- Achieved an accuracy of 80% on the test set, demonstrating the effectiveness of the approach in addressing complex image recognition problems.

NLP With Disaster Tweets Python, TensorFlow, NLP, Text Vectorization, LSTM, GRU, CNN Source Code

- Developed NLP models to classify disaster and non-disaster tweets using text vectorization, various word embeddings, and deep learning models including LSTM, GRU, their bidirectional variants, and 1D CNNs
- Utilized the Universal Sentence Encoder to create embeddings on both the character and word levels, and implemented a multivariate model using the functional API of TensorFlow.

#### TensorFlow Speech Recognition Challenge

Python, pandas, TensorFlow, kaggle

Source Code

- Trained a deep neural network to recognize **30** different commands by creating waveforms and transforming them into **2D** spectrograms using STFT.
- Used a convolutional neural network architecture and achieved an accuracy of about 90% on the test set.

#### Titanic - Machine Learning from Disaster

Python, pandas, sklearn, kaggle

Source Code

- Analyzed the Titanic dataset and performed data cleaning, feature engineering, and data visualization.
- Built several machine learning models including Logistic Regression, Random Forest, and Gradient Boosting and selected the best model using cross-validation.
- Achieved a test accuracy of 78.5%, which was in the top 12% of the Kaggle leaderboard at the time.

NNet

Python, NumPy, Neural Network

Source Code

- Developed a module for arbitrary neural network architecture using **Python** and **NumPy**, implementing layers such as **Dense**, **Dropout**, **Conv2D**, **Flatten**, **Reshape** etc.
- Implemented both the forward and backward pass of the layers, demonstrating proficiency in backpropagation and gradient descent.
- Created an API similar to **Keras** for seamless integration and implemented various activation functions including **ReLU**, **tanh**, **sigmoid**, and **softmax**.
- Demonstrated strong skills in **machine learning**, **Python programming**, and **mathematics** while gaining a deeper understanding of the inner workings of neural networks.

ReVision

Python, NumPy, TensorFlow, PyTorch, CLI

Source Code

- Created a personal project called **ReVision** to learn the concepts and implementation details of groundbreaking **computer vision papers**.
- Utilized popular deep learning frameworks such as **TensorFlow** and **PyTorch** to implement the architectures of seminal papers like **LeNet**, **AlexNet**, **VGG**, **ResNet**, **Inception**, **EfficientNet**, etc.
- Developed a deep understanding of the underlying principles of deep learning and computer vision, while improving skills in **Python programming**, **machine learning**, and **deep learning**.
- Demonstrated proficiency in various computer vision tasks, such as **image classification**, **object detection**, and **semantic segmentation**.

### **EDUCATION**

Indian Institute of Technology Delhi

Master of Science in Physics, (8.6 GPA)

New Delhi, India July 2021 – May 2023 (Expected)

Banaras Hindu University
Bachelor of Science in Physics, (8.4 GPA)

Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh India July 2018 – May 2021

#### CERTIFICATIONS

- Machine Learning Specialization (DeepLearning.AI) Certificate
- Simulation Models for Decision Making (University of Minnesota) Certificate
- IBM Data Analyst Capstone Project (IBM) <u>Certificate</u>
- Financial Markets (Yale University) Certificate
- Deep Learning Specialization (DeepLearning.AI) Certificate
- TensorFlow Developer Certificate in 2022: Zero to Mastery (Udemy) <u>Certificate</u>
- TensorFlow: Advanced Techniques Specialization Certificate