# Herleen Kaur Sanhotra

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## **EDUCATION**

Master of Science, Computer Science

Aug 2019 - May 2021

University of North Carolina at Charlotte, NC

GPA: 4.0

<u>Relevant Coursework:</u> Machine Learning, Natural Language Processing, Big Data Analytics, Knowledge-Based Systems(Google Cloud)

Bachelor of Engineering, Computer Engineering

Aug 2013 - May 2017

University of Mumbai, India

GPA: 3.7

Relevant Coursework: Data Warehouse & Mining, Database Management Systems, Artificial Intelligence, Data Structure & Algorithms

### **PROJECTS**

#### Text Summarization on Amazon Food Reviews

Sept 2020 - Dec 2020

- Built an abstractive text summarizer to create summaries of 600,000 reviews on Google Colab with a GPU environment
- Leveraged Natural Language Toolkit for preprocessing the text data, significantly reducing the noisy data by 68%
- Developed a multilayer LSTM model with an attention mechanism to remove limitations of long sentence sequences

## **Face Mask Detection on Image Dataset**

Sept 2020 - Dec 2020

- Built a Face Mask Detector using a deep learning Convolutional Neural Network(CNN) model
- Optimized the model by adding additional input facial features to improve the detection of the face on the input images
- Tested the model's ability to classify a person wearing a face mask in real-time using OpenCV

## Prediction of Severity of Traffic Accidents in the US

Jan 2020 - May 2020

- Led a team of five to build a real-time prediction system that can be used to determine accident-prone areas based on factors such as time, weather, and location using **Python** for data preprocessing and **Google Cloud Platform** for modeling
- Trained a machine learning classification model that gave an ROC-AUC score of 0.98 and a precision of 86.96%

### **Data Analysis on Student Alcohol Consumption**

Jan 2020 - May 2020

- Conducted exploratory data analysis on secondary school students data to understand various social and economic factors leading to alcohol consumption using **Python** libraries such as **Matplotlib** and **Seaborn**
- Calculated feature importance to find out the top 5 variables impacting the target variable using Random Forest Classifier

## **Walmart Store Sales Forecasting**

Aug 2019 - Dec 2019

- Led a team of four to forecast weekly sales by building six different regression models(Linear, Ridge, Lasso, Elastic-Net,
  Decision Tree & Random Forest) and comparing their performance using metrics R2 score and Root Mean Square Error
- Established CRISP-DM framework to plan different phases of the project and assess various challenges during each phase

## **TECHNICAL SKILLS**

- 2 years of experience in **Python** programming language for data analysis and building machine learning models
- Proficient in Python libraries: Pandas, Numpy, Matplotlib, Scikit-Learn, Seaborn, Natural Language Toolkit, and Keras
- Ability to clean, preprocess, transform and visualize different kinds of datasets using Jupyter Notebook
- Good understanding of relational database(MySQL) and ability to write queries in Structured Query Language(SQL)
- Sound knowledge in working with cloud technologies Google Cloud Platform(GCP) and Google Colab
- Working knowledge of web technologies HTML, CSS, and PHP for frontend development

## **EXPERIENCE**

Trainee Programmer, Infinite IT Solutions Pvt. Ltd, India

Mar 2018 - Sept 2018

- Gathered client requirements and identified ways to improve the design and development of an existing website
- Collaborated with the UI developer for updating different GUI components of the website using HTML and CSS

## **LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE**

General Secretary, IEEE, Branch Code 02461, Mumbai, India

Aug 2016 - May 2017

Responsible for conducting meetings, planning and organizing technical events for 100-200 college student participants

Managing Director, Women In Engineering(WIE), Mumbai, India

Aug 2016 - May 2017

Increased the female volunteers and members in the organization by approximately 5 times the initial participation