MADIHA (Madi) ANSARI

Data Science and Machine Learning Engineer

Experienced data professional helping businesses to achieve data-driven solutions and implementing creative ways to cut costs by leveraging ML/Al-based technologies.

Core Competencies:

Project Management: End-to-end ML project planning, developing, testing, and monitoring, using frameworks like agile and CI/CD for automation and scalability.

Communication: Clear speaking and writing ability to communicate complex data concepts with management and cross-functional teams. **Collaboration:** Ability to work closely with diverse key stakeholders to identify critical priorities through continuous feedback, ensuring on-time project delivery.

Technological Awareness: Always aware of the business needs. Identifying creative ways to implement task-specific technological solutions. **Leadership:** Empowering others by encouraging and offering challenging goals with responsibility and appreciation.

Technical Competencies:

Programming Languages: Python, SQL, PowerShell/Bash, C++, VBA.

ML/AI Frameworks: Scikit-learn, Keras, Pytorch, TensorFlow, PySpark, OpenCV, BERT, VADER.

Cloud Technologies: AWS S3, AWS EC2, AWS RDS, Azure Analysis Services.

Data Visualisation Tools: Power BI, Python, and Tableau.

DevOps: CI/CD, APIs, Versioning, Logging, ML workflow, GitHub, Docker. Apache Spark.

Project Management: Knowledge of Agile, and Prince2 frameworks.

Professional Experience

1 - Ventura Motors, 'Business and Data Analyst' (Data Science and ML)

Sep 2021 - Present

Data Solution for ML Applications

Project: Electric Bus Performance and Battery Management System (Application)

Total Project worth \$10 million.

- Implemented End-to-end, Big data pipeline in AWS for ingesting MQTT Broker data from CAN Bus.
- Applied advanced ML techniques like Moving Averages, Principle Component Analysis, etc. to preprocess, normalize, and transform noisy data for analytics.
- Analyzed critical vehicle metrics for **Predictive maintenance**.
- Collaborated with diverse stakeholders, including government, private, and research-based entities.
- Improved data-driven decision-making in saving operational costs by 20%.

MLOPS

Project: Intelligent Accidents Monitoring and Management System (Application) - IAMS.

Estimated annual accident damage \$3 million.

- Developed and Deployed End-to-end ML Application on AWS EC2 with bus accident data spanning over 20 years.
- Trained multiple supervised models like SVM, XGBoost, and Random Forest for predictive analytics.
- Trained and used Silhouette Score to evaluate performance for DBSCAN and K-Means clustering models to understand accident patterns.
- Used GitHub and Docker for CI/CD Implementation to streamline data integration and model monitoring.
- Collaborated with management and cross-functional teams.
- The System helped management mitigate road accident severity, thus by investing in customized driver training programs.
- Helped reduce annual damage costs by 15% in better managing third-party accidents and insurance claims.

Data Solution for ML/AI Applications

Project: Patronage Monitoring System for Public Buses in Southeast Victoria.

Business contracts worth 96% of revenue.

- Created **end-to-end data solution** for daily Passenger movement using AWS. I used the **GPR Gaussian Process Regression** Model, a probabilistic approach to predicting passenger count.
- Preprocessed real-time data using Scikit-learn. Analytics based on time-series features like days of the week, peak-off peak, events, and season variations.
- The system helped in understanding diverse customer needs and route demands in the Eastern Region. Thus providing better service and saving operational costs for managing underutilized assets.

^{*} For this project I also incorporated time-series analytics from the ADAS system data in comparison to Non-ADAS vehicles.

Comparison analysis found a 20% discrepancy in passenger counts with Myki ticketing system data.

Text Analytics using AI modeling

Project: Customer Satisfaction Analysis

Used NLTK Tokenization and Lemmatization techniques. Employed **VADER** for polarity scoring and **BERT** for part-of-speech tagging and named entity recognition(**NER**).

Image Processing using OpenCV

Project: Paperless Invoice data capture

- Automated text extraction from encrypted financial remittances in PDF files and other invoices in image formats.
- Utilized OpenCV and PIL to preprocess noise in images like grayscale conversion, thresholding, etc.
- Tuned the Tesseract-OCR engine to optimize performance for documents with complex layouts, like columns and tables.
- Finally, Regex pattern matching was used for the targeted extraction of invoice numbers, dates, payment amounts, and account details.
- This helped in time and cost efficiency, by manually taking 10 mins to read per invoice a day, was cut down to 1 min per invoice with OCR enabled solution. It saved the company monthly \$2,500 on 1000 docs per month.

Performance Monitoring Analytics

Project: Vehicle Safety Inspection & Vehicle Off-Road Tracking System

- Developed an automated data pipeline for the **Power BI** application.
- Used various Python libraries to preprocess data for a traffic light predictive safety maintenance dashboard.
- It Improved asset management significantly by achieving 100% safety compliance on 1000 vehicles thus saving \$1,500 per vehicle if they default. Previously 5 vehicles were defaulting each month.

Information Protection

Project: Risk Management for Data & Information Security.

Worked on various data security frameworks like ISO 27001 & Essential 8 to define an Industry-specific Risk Register. Collaborated with government and non-government agencies in improving business private data security (resilience, response & recovery).

Data Strategy for ESG

Project: Implementing Sustainability Standards Framework - Reporting for Corporate Carbon Footprint

Developed strategic data required for tracking corporate emissions and reporting for compliance frameworks. Pioneered **Ventura's Corporate ESG report in 2023**.

2 - Miepol (Pty) Ltd, Data Scientist

Sep 2020 – Sep 2021

Data Science

Project: Bus Stop Management & Predictive Maintenance System

- Developed a real-time monitoring system that displayed 26,000 bus stops audited daily across Victoria.
- Utilized time-series analysis and supervised ML models like **Regression**, and **Decision Trees** to create a predictive maintenance application in Power BI. The System triggered maintenance alerts based on set priorities.
- Monitoring DDA Compliance, Risk Assessments, and Parts Warranty on Bus Infrastructure.
- The project covered all aspects of bus infrastructure maintenance from financial to operational.
- It saved the business more than \$50,000 annually on purchasing complex data solutions and tailoring them to the stakeholder's needs.

Data Engineering

Project: Wayfinding for Passengers

- Working with GPS dataset to identify Bus Stops that require Route Information to be updated.
- Automated ETL pipeline for Power BI Analytics.
- Helped the business save hours on manual data processing

3 - Teacher - Mathematics, STEM, and Programming in Python /C++

Aug 2011 - Oct 2019

STEM-focused education with project-based programming.

4 - LMKR, System Research Analyst

Jan 2005 - Nov 2007

Project: Analytics for Reservoir Performance for Oil and Gas.

- **Geospatial analysis:** Extracted relevant data from the **GIS** system to create Spatial distribution on well locations and production. Used Excel VBA to create functions to evaluate production rates.
- Spatiotemporal analysis: Utilised advanced Excel techniques for historical time-series analysis. Also created a correlation between various factors affecting production rates.

- Seismic data analysis: Extracted data from Landmark Graphics and used MATLAB to understand the effects of sub-surface changes on fluid flow.
- It enhanced insights into oil and gas exploration activities.

Project: Seismic Activity Monitoring and Anomaly Detection.

- Collected historical seismic data from repositories like seismic waves, magnitude, and timestamps(.csv).
- Applied Fourier transformation and Wavelet analysis to analyze the frequency and magnitude of waves using MATLAB.
- Based on historical data created inferences using basic statistical analysis for the likelihood of high and low-impact events. Compared, geological historical heat maps to identify earthquake trends surrounding a potential oil reservoir.
- Used ARIMA for time series data analysis to determine seasonal shifts and plotted the results in MATLAB.
- Established a threshold for seismic activity to trigger alerts/potential hazards and raise a flag for geologists and engineers.
- Enhanced monitoring of seismic activity in oil and gas fields and improved understanding of potential risks for safety planning.

5 - Petrosin Engineering, Database Coordinator

Sep 2003 - Dec 2004

Project: Data-driven Procurement Optimization for LPG Cylinder Supply

- Gathered inventory stocks, procurement costs, and client information. Tracked orders. Organized it into a structured database using MS
 Access. Created cross-application automation using VBA.
- Used advanced **Excel** to create analysis. Developed different procurement scenarios based on historical data. Did manual forecasting for future demand for cylinders and to understand client's needs.

Education and Certifications

- MLOps (AWS): Data Pipeline Automation & Optimization using Amazon Web Services.
- MLOps (Azure): Data Pipeline Automation & Optimization using Microsoft Azure Machine Learning.
- Apache Spark for Data Engineering and Machine Learning.
- Cyber Security Risk Management.
- Analyzing and Visualizing Data with Microsoft Power BI.

Master of Data Science. University of San Diego, CA

Relevant Coursework: SQL for Data Science, Python for Data Science, Machine Learning, Probability and Statistics in Python, Big Data Analytics Using Spark, Data Protection & Security.

Bachelor of Computer Engineering (Hons). Comsats University

Relevant Coursework: Computer programming, Embedded Systems and Design, Al and Machine Learning, Computational Algorithms, Signals and Image Processing, Calculus and Discrete Mathematics, Linear Algebra, Systems Engineering, Database Design and Data Structures.

^{*}References available on demand