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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Natural Language Processing (NLP) with Transformer and BERT models, Deep Learning, Neural Network Debugging, Object Detection in Satellite Imagery, Geospatial Data Analysis, Machine Learning, Metaheuristic Algorithms

SKILLS

- **Data Science & Machine Learning:** PyTorch, TensorFlow, NumPy, Scikit-learn, Spacy, NLTK, LlamaIndex, LangChain, LangGraph, Agentic AI, Transformers (BERT, GPT, LLaMA), Knowledge Graph
- **Programming Languages:** Python, MATLAB, JavaScript, C++
- **Web Technologies:** Flask, Selenium, BeautifulSoup
- **Database Systems:** MySQL, Neo4j Graph Database
- **Geospatial Analysis:** GeoPandas, Shapely, QGIS
- **Cloud Technologies:** Google Cloud Platform (GCP), AWS
- **DevOps & Version Control:** Git, Docker

EXPERIENCE

- **Oxford Sustainable Finance Group, SSEE, University of Oxford** 
Postdoctoral Research Associate in Machine Learning Oct 2024 - Present
Oxford, United Kingdom
 - Mapping Asset Ownership with NLP and Computer Vision
- **The Alan Turing Institute** 
Postdoctoral Research Associate in Machine Learning July 2022 - May 2024
London, United Kingdom
 - Machine learning in sustainable finance
- **INRIA** 
Postdoctoral Researcher March 2020 - Feb 2021
Rennes, France
 - Pattern Mining for Neural Networks Debugging

EDUCATION

- **Indian Institute of Technology Roorkee**
Ph.D. in Machine Learning December 2014 - October 2019
Roorkee, India
 - Thesis: Enhanced Metaheuristics Based Clustering Algorithms and Their Applications.
- **Dr B R Ambedkar National Institute of Technology, Jalandhar**
M.Tech in Computer Science & Engineering August 2010 - July 2012
Jalandhar, India
 - Thesis: Software Cost Estimation using Soft Computing Method
- **Madhav Institute of Technology & Science**
B.Tech. in Computer Science & Engineering August 2005 - July 2009
Gwalior, India

PROJECTS

- **Knowledge RAG System (In Development)**
Tools: Python, Pandas, LangChain, Neo4j, open source LLM-LLama3.2
 - Developing a knowledge-driven RAG system using LangChain and Neo4j for efficient retrieval and organization of nature finance-specific information.
- **RAG for Data Center Information Extraction**
Tools: Python, Pandas, LangChain, open source LLMs, pdfplumber-llm
 - Developed a RAG system using LangChain to extract and structure data center information from open-source PDFs.
 - Utilized pdfplumber-llm for text extraction, implemented chunking strategies, and integrated LLaMA 3.3 for accurate question answering.
- **Brick Kiln Detection Using Deep Learning**
Tools: Python, YOLOv8, PyTorch, Sentinel-2, Google Maps API
 - **External Contributor, APAD - Air Pollution Asset-Level Detection:** Contributed to large-scale brick kiln detection using deep learning and satellite imagery.
 - * Developed a two-phase pipeline integrating a Random Forest classifier on Sentinel-2 imagery for initial detection and YOLOv8 for high-resolution object detection and classification.

- * Enhanced accuracy and scalability while reducing reliance on high-resolution imagery, enabling improved air pollution monitoring.

• GeoAsset Project

Tools: Python, Selenium, Spacy, NLTK, s-BERT, PyTorch

- **Asset Ownership:** Mapped asset-level data to companies using NLP and computer vision, extracting information from various sources and satellite images.
 - * Applied NLP techniques, including Named Entity Recognition (NER), for data extraction, analysis, preprocessing, and duplicate removal, and developed a ranking system to rank relevant information from raw text.
 - * Developed a RAG system for question answering, leveraging NLP models for efficient information retrieval and generation of answers.
 - * Leveraged satellite imagery for precise asset identification through image classification, followed by image segmentation to accurately separate production sites.

• Decarbonizing Agriculture - Barclay Project

Tools: Python, Pandas, GeoPandas, Selenium, QGIS

- **Decarbonising Agriculture:** This project aims to reduce carbon emissions in UK agriculture by measuring farm-level greenhouse gases and developing decarbonization plans in collaboration with B4ICA.
 - * Conducted end-to-end data wrangling, including scraping, matching, preprocessing, and duplicate removal of diverse sources.
 - * Leveraged advanced NLP methods, particularly s-BERT, to enhance data quality, with a focus on accurate entity resolution for name matching.

• Precision Refinement in CNNs: Faulty Neuron Identification

Tools: PyTorch, Numpy, Scikit-learn, Keras

- Developed targeted debugging strategies for isolating and addressing faulty neurons in CNNs.

PUBLICATIONS

C=CONFERENCE, J=JOURNAL, S=IN SUBMISSION

- [S.1] Hamdani, Muhammad Suleman Ali, Khizer Zakir, Neetu Kushwaha, Syeda Eman Fatima, and Hassan Aftab Sheikh. "Brick Kiln Dataset for Pakistan's IGP Region Using AI.", Dataset available at: [Zenodo Record 14038648](#).
- [J.1] Kushwaha, Neetu, and Millie Pant. "Fuzzy electromagnetic optimisation clustering algorithm for collaborative filtering." Journal of Experimental & Theoretical Artificial Intelligence 33.4 (2021): 601-616.
- [J.1] Kushwaha, Neetu, and Millie Pant. "Textual data dimensionality reduction-a deep learning approach." Multimedia Tools and Applications 79.15 (2020): 11039-11050.
- [J.1] Kushwaha, Neetu, and Millie Pant. "Link based BPSO for feature selection in big data text clustering.", Future generation computer systems 82 (2018): 190-199.

Note: For complete list, please see [here](#).

WORKSHOPS

- Organized member of first workshop on NLP for Climate : ClimateNLP 2024 (ACL 2024)

