Rajat Handa

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Education

Master's (M.S.) Data Analytics Engineering | George Mason University | (GPA: - 3.9) August 2016- May 2018

• Courses: Machine Learning, Natural Language Processing, Statistics, Social Media Analytics

Bachelor's (B.S.) Computer Science | University of Pune (GPA: -3.55)

August 2011- May 2015

• Courses: Data Structure and Algorithms, Database Management Systems, Advanced Database, AI

Technical Skills

- Languages: Python, R, SQL, Shell Script, D3.js
- Python Data Stack: Pytorch, Keras, Fast.ai, Numpy, Scikit, Pandas, Tweepy, Dash, NLTK, PySpark
- Big Data: AWS, Crestle, Apache Spark, HDFS
- Visualization: Tableau, Fusion Tables, Kibana, Gephi

Work Experience

Data Science Intern

January 2018 - Present

Principal Finance Group

- o Implementing Sector Neutral Multivariate Forecasting model to rank stocks based on their investment potential.
- o Identified 18 key metrics using a hybrid framework based on Evolutionary and feature selection algorithms, mapped the metrics to five different sector/region and negotiated with data owners.
- Created Facets dashboards for senior leaders to brief about the data quality across the firm.
- Machine Learning Researcher

September 2016 – December 2017

Engineering Education & Cyber-Learning Lab, George Mason University

- Developed a machine learning framework for gender inference (individual (female, male), organization) on Twitter using tweet text(LIWC) and image (CNNs & ResNet) with machine learning algorithms (SVM, Random Forest)
- Classified topics discussed across Twitter using LDA and used n-grams
- o Crafted an interactive web application for comparison of United Nation's Anti Gender Based Violence Campaigns across different demographics (#HeForShe, #ItsonUs, #StateofWomen) using D3.js.
- o Examined engagement among participating individuals and organizations using Graph Theory.
- Predicted tweet sentiment for measuring the impact of different campaigns.

Academic Projects

- Jigsaw Toxic Comment Classification:
 - $\circ \quad \text{Mapped words to vectors using Word2vec, Glove and FastText.} \\$
 - o Classified comments using CNN, LSTM, GRU and hybrid of all three.
- Daily News for Stock Market Prediction:
 - Used count vectorization and TF-IDF for feature space development.
 - Implemented classifier using Naïve Bayes, SVM and Random Forest.
- Forecasting Australia's Beer Production:
 - Transformed and analyzed historical data to reduce complexity of modelling.
 - o Forecasted the beer production using ARIMA, Holt Winters and Neural Network.

Publications

2. Habib Karbasian, Rajat Handa, Hemant Purohit, Aqdas Malik, Aditya Johri: "Real-Time Inference of User Types to Assist With More Inclusive Social Media Activism Campaigns", AAAI/ACM Conference On AI, Ethics, And Society, USA,2018

1. Aditya Johri, Habib Karbasian, Aqdas Malik, **Rajat Handa**, Hemant Purohit: "How Diverse Users and Activities Trigger Connective Action Via Social Media: Lessons from The Twitter Hashtag Campaign #Ilooklikeanengineer", **HICSS Conference**, **USA**,2018

Fellowships & Certifications

• Deep Learning Fellow: Fast.ai, San Francisco, USA

• Database Fundamentals: Microsoft