

# Satvik Kishore

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## Education

### Duke University

Durham, NC

Masters in Interdisciplinary Data Science

2021–2023

Relevant Courses: Computer Vision and Medical Imaging, Natural Language Processing (NLP), Machine Learning, Statistics, Causal Inference, Data Engineering, Deep Learning

### Indian Institute of Technology Madras

Chennai, India

B.Tech., Materials Engineering; Minor in Industrial Engineering

2013–2017

Relevant Courses: Probability, Decision Modeling, Pattern Recognition, Operations Research, Computational Engineering

## Technical Skills:

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- **Python:** PyTorch, Tensorflow (Keras), Pandas, Scikit-Learn, Flask
- **R:** data.table, ggplot
- SQL, Git, Docker, Amazon Web Services
- **Certifications:** AWS Machine Learning Specialty

## Publications

- Kishore S, Thomas T, Sachdev H, et al. Modeling the potential impacts of improved monthly income on child stunting in India: a subnational geospatial perspective. *BMJ Open* 2022;12:e055098.  
<https://doi.org/10.1136/bmjopen-2021-055098>
  - Trained Gaussian Process Regression Models to calculate small-area estimates of child undernutrition in India.
  - Estimated impact of improved income on undernutrition via injection of supplementary monthly income.
- Shivakumar N, Kashyap S, Kishore S, et al. Protein-quality evaluation of complementary foods in Indian children. *American Journal of Clinical Nutrition*. 109:5. May 2019. Pages 1319–1327.  
<https://doi.org/10.1093/ajcn/nqy265>

## Research Experience

Interpretable AI for diagnosing breast cancer

*Summer 2022–Present*

- Building convolutional neural networks with additional prototype layers.
- These models provide diagnoses on malignancy of breast tissue along with informing the physician why the model has made the prediction.

Earthquake Early Warning Detection, Duke University

*Summer 2022*

- Developed a prototype Machine Learning algorithm to predict Earthquakes and associated intensities in Nepal.

- Trained Gaussian Process Regression Models using Seismologic wave data in a multi-task prediction framework.
- Implemented new testing standards. The trained model achieved a 30% increase in  $R^2$  over the SOTA.

## Professional Experience

**St. John's Research Institute** | Public Health Research

Bengaluru, India

**Data Scientist**

2017–2021

- Engaged with government stakeholders to develop data science solutions to tackle child undernutrition in India.
- Ideated and developed research projects to discover efficiency of different methods to tackle undernutrition.
- Raised \$200,000 in funding from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation and led a project that analyzed impact of improved household monthly income on child undernutrition prevalence.
- Developed and trained geospatial models using Gaussian Process Regressions on large datasets using PyTorch.
- Compiled public health data from different sources into a data repository that was adopted by multiple institutions.

## Projects

Brain Tumor Segmentation

Spring 2022

- Built Image Segmentation Neural Network Models (U-net) that scan 3-dimensional brain MRI images and identify regions of brain associated with a tumor.
- The model can be used to aid neurosurgeons to precisely locate damaged regions in the brain.

Optimizing CT scan slice count through Lesion detection using YOLO

Spring 2022

- Simulated CT imaging on images of lesions to create images that would have been obtained from lower resolution CT Scanning.
- Optimized number of CT slices required during imaging that allow acceptable object detection capabilities on Object-Detection Neural Network Models while minimizing costs.

Does Airbnb listing's annual revenue vary by with host status?

Spring 2022

- Analyzed AirBnb data from American cities to determine if superhosts are able to generate more revenue than regular hosts.
- Used Causal Inference principles to balance data and determined that superhosts are indeed more profitable.

AWS Cloud Tweet Generator

Fall 2021

- Built and deployed a end-to-end cloud-based data pipeline that generates tweets everyday relevant to current trending topics.
- The pipeline collects and cleans tweets everyday for training data and then re-trains and deploys a generative LDA model.
- Used AWS services: Lambda, S3, EC2, ECR, and Batch. The pipeline was deployed using Infrastructure as Code (AWS CDK).

## Star Trek: Analysis of Episodes

*Fall 2021*

- A statistical analysis of IMDb data from four star trek TV shows to evaluate which characters are perceived more favourably.
- Engineered features from script data to create a proxy for character-screentime in each episode.