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Personal Profile

Gold medalist in B.Tech Artificial Intelligence at Mahindra University, currently working as Data Scientist. Strong expertise in machine learning and generative AI. Passionate about developing multi-modal AI techniques to solve real-world challenges.

Education

Mahindra University, Hyderabad, India

Aug 2020 - Aug 2024

Bachelor of Technology in Artificial Intelligence

- · Gold medalist
- Cumulative GPA: 8.76
- Relevant Courses: Data Structures and Algorithms, Linear Algebra, Probability and Statistics, Optimization Techniques in Al, DBMS, Machine and Deep Learning, Natural Language Processing, Reinforcement learning

Work Experience _____

Data ScientistJun 2025 - Present

Penguin AI, Hyderabad, India

- Developing a multi-agent tool for automating workflows related to medical insurance processes.
- Monitoring client-specific ML methods to classify insurance claims on the basis of denial rate, along with regular monitoring of metrics and re-training.

Associate Data Scientist

Jun 2024 - Jun 2025

Awone AI, Hyderabad, India

- Developed agentic tool for a low code ai application with proper containerized tool access.
- Improved the inference speed of domain specific-LLMs by 15% by quantization and developing speculative decoding n-gram head.
- Enhanced customer chatbot solutions through custom LLM routing, dynamic memory updates, and finetuned reranking models, decreasing the token cost by 30%.

Data Science Intern Jan 2024 - Jun 2024

Awone AI, Hyderabad, India

- Developed a strong foundation in LLMs and transformers by coding state-of-the-art models like Llama-2 and Mistral from scratch, focusing on architectures, attention mechanisms, and optimizations.
- Experimented with several LLM optimization and quantization techniques, helping to reduce latency on developement platform.
- Finetuned task-specific SLMs for medical-insurance related tasks.

Research internJul 2023 - Sept 2023

Mahindra University, Hyderabad, India

- Collaborated with a four-person team to conduct a thorough research survey on video summarization techniques.
- Co-authored a survey paper published in the ACMMM Workshop 2023.

Projects

GIV-CXR: Densely Grounded, Visually Interpretable, Chest X-Ray Question Answering Dataset

Oct 2024 - Present

Supervisors: Dr. Nidhi Goyal, Assistant Professor, Mahindra University

- · Curated a new dataset with 350K question-answer pairs with grounding on chest X-rays, specific to localized analysis of regions.
- $\bullet \ \ \text{Developed baseline VLMs with grounding capabilities, which outperformed baselines by over 10\% (Rouge-L \ metric)}\\$
- An generalized pipeline with hallucination detection using human feedback is established for the task.
- Will be submitted to WACV 2026.

Transformers and LLMs reconstruction from scratch

April 2024 - May 2024

Self-learning

- · Coded the fundamental modules such as transformers and language models after thorough conceptual understanding
- · Matched the intermediate outputs of each model with the corresponding model from huggingface for a input
- Provided the code corresponding to the same in a published book

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Aug 2023 - Dec 2023

Mahindra University

- Developed a LLM that assists users in understanding and effectively using various NVIDIA SDKs.
- Fine-tuned Falcon-7B using QLoRA with data scraped from the official Nvidia SDK documentation.

Enhancing video summarization by enhancing text-to-image module

Supervisors: Dr. Nidhi Goyal, Assistant Professor, Mahindra University

- Improved text-to-image projection by augmenting it with a learnable projection layer.
- Finetuned the selected baseline's projection module using the QVHighlights dataset.

Comprehensive analysis of posts/tweets about mass layoffs

Dec 2022 - Jun 2023

Supervisors: Dr. Sanatan Sukhija, Assistant Professor, Mahindra University

- Collected and analyzed data about the mass layoffs that started in the last quarter of 2022 from social media platforms.
- · Several reactions from users, trends, and patterns from discovered using language modeling and hashtag analysis.

Publications

CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

A Systematic Study on Video Summarization: Approaches, Challenges, and Future Directions Kajal Kansal, Nikita Kansal, Sreevaatsav Bavana, Bodla Krishna Vamshi, Nidhi Goyal Proceedings of the 2nd Workshop on User-centric Narrative Summarization of Long Videos, 2023

Research Interests

- Multi modal model research & frameworks development.
- Explainable AI techniques in the field of conversational AI and multi-modal architectures.
- Efficient fine-tuning and compression techniques for domain-specific small LMs/VLMs.

Achievements

4 years consecutive merit scholarship (2020-2024) for securing a rank in the top 5% of the branch

2023 **3rd position** in ICETCI Hackathon (2023), Mahindra University

2023 **Top 150 teams (Rank 111)** in Amazon ML Challange 2023, a total of 4000+ teams participated

Skills

Languages & Libraries Python, C++, SQL, Pandas, NumPy, Scikit-learn, HuggingFace, PyTorch, Tensorflow

GenAl & Infra MCP Protocol, Pydantic AI, VLLM, MLFlow, Nvidia-SLRUM, Ray

Miscellaneous AWS, Docker, Async programming, Web Sockets, Linux, FastAPI, Computer networks, GitHub Actions, Javascript

Extra-Curricular_

Power-lifting Volunteer for AERO Coordinated events at Aero 2023 Sports Fest **College Gym committee member (MU)** Oversaw equipment and mentored new students

Yoga club member and volunteer (MU) Volunteered for the University's celebration of International Yoga Day.

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