SRIKAR KOTRA

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EDUCATION

University of Texas at Dallas, Richardson *Master of Science in Computer Science*

08/2023 - 05/2025

GPA 3.91

GPA 9.30

Vellore Institute of Technology, Vellore

Master of Technology in Software Engineering | Bachelor of Technology in Software Engineering

06/2018 - 06/2023

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Programming: Python, Java, Rust, Scala, R, HTML, CSS, JavaScript, C, C++, REST API, ¡Query, SQL, MATLAB, Git

Cloud & Development Tools: AWS, Azure, Salesforce, Snowflake, Kafka, Airflow, Docker, Kubernetes, Postman, Selenium, Bash, JIRA, SDLC, Agile Data Analysis Tools: Spark, Databricks, Power BI, Tableau, SAS, Excel, SSIS, SharePoint, Matplotlib, Seaborn, Postscript, Tesseract, R Studio Frameworks / Packages: Java Spring Boot, React, Node, Express, Pyspark, Flask, NLTK, SpaCy, TensorFlow, PyTorch, Selenium, Pandas, OpenCV Databases: MySQL, Oracle, Postgres, MongoDB, Hadoop, Hive, HBase, Cassandra, GraphQL, Cloud SQL, BigTable, BigQuery, AWS RDS, DynamoDB

WORK EXPERIENCE

UT Dallas Office of Information Technology, Richardson – AI Engineer

08/2024 - Present

- Engineered advanced chatbot system with domain-specific knowledge on UTD Knowledge Base. Curated UTD knowledge base on Amazon Kendra
 and enriched the text with metadata for better indexing leading to 70% reduction in hallucination.
- Designed and developed automated step-functions to crawl web pages, convert data to JSON format, and create metadata tags, improving query resolution efficiency by 40%. Leveraged a RAG approach with LangChain to fine-tune models, retrieving information from Amazon Kendra and utilizing Bedrock models, leading to a 25% increase in information retrieval accuracy

MTX Group, Dallas - AI & Data Analytics Intern

05/2024 - 08/2024

- Processed and analyzed responses to 15 questions from 1,300 accounts using **Salesforce Reports** for data extraction and **Snowflake** for efficient data storage and retrieval. Cleaned and preprocessed text data, applying clustering techniques to group similar responses into key themes. Generated category-level and account-specific summaries, driving a \$300M pipeline in Q3 through specific recommendations for senior leadership.
- Conducted research evaluating **transformer-based** models (SpaCy, BERT, BART, T5) and **LLMs** (llama, mistral) to identify limitations in token capacity, output redundancy. Chose phi-3 LLM model to produce coherent summaries and integrated them into Salesforce and **Tableau** dashboards.
- Engineered and deployed a robust solution integrating Salesforce with AWS SES, using Lambda functions, SQS, and API Gateway to automate over 5,000 email deliveries with attachments monthly. Seamlessly managed data flow between AWS S3 and Salesforce through AppFlow and Lambda, thereby improving compliance, communication efficiency, and data management for the Georgia State Government.

The University of Texas at Dallas, Richardson - Research Assistant

12/2023 - 05/2024

- Single-handedly orchestrated and automated end-to-end **data engineering** efforts, overseeing the meticulous preparation of a vast 40,000 financial documents dataset spanning from 1994 to 2023. Employed diverse automation tools such as **Ghostscript** for PDF-to-PNG conversion, **Tesseract & Tabula** for OCR and table detection, Excel for data manipulation and Python scripts for precise data cleaning, achieving a remarkable 90% accuracy in data preprocessing automation.
- Developed and implemented ETL pipelines using Microsoft Azure AI Document Intelligence and AWS Textract, incorporating Azure Blob Storage and AWS S3 buckets. Brought down research costs by 60% and boosted processing efficiency by 50%. Used SAS for advanced analytics, ensuring a refined financial dataset for continuous in-depth analysis.

Intel Technology India Pvt Ltd, Bangalore - Software Development Engineer

06/2022 - 06/2023

- Spearheaded the innovation of a **Semantic Document Engine** in collaboration with the Chrome SI Team and NLP team, combining a blend of Python, Rust, and advanced NLP techniques to deliver actionable insights by processing intricate **Jira** commands and queries. Achieved 95% relevancy in question-answering system and enhanced team satisfaction by **70%** through semantic role labeling.
- Incorporated cutting-edge Generative AI techniques, transforming the organization's data pipeline into an intelligent chatbot powered by GPT-based models and bringing down customer support costs by 20%. Automated tasks and data manipulation in VIBE, showcasing up to 100% proficiency.
- Seamlessly integrated the ADA framework into Intel's OneCloud platform, a pivotal milestone that strengthened connectivity and automation, resulting in a remarkable 30% decline in onboarding time, significantly maximizing efficiency and productivity.

AgBoost Tech Consultancy, Delhi - Web Development Intern

05/2021 - 01/2022

- Designed and deployed a dynamic web application utilizing React, Node and MongoDB to continuously analyze and visualize real-time data.
- Leveraged Power BI to offer in-depth data-driven insights on crop health, soil moisture levels, and weather patterns to farmers, thereby significantly boosting their decision-making by 15% contributing to more informed choices.

VMware, Hyderabad – Software Engineer (Certification)

06/2021 - 08/2021

• Gained practical insights into Java Spring Boot development, cloud deployment, and VMware virtualization through immersive training and developed a real-time inventory management application using Java Spring Boot for backend development, Docker for containerization, Postman for API testing, and Heroku for deployment, showcasing adaptability and competence in a professional setting. (Project Certificate)

Agixury, India - Backend Developer (GitLink)

12/2020 - 01/2021

Collaborated backend development support applying PHP, SQL, JavaScript for the company's hotel website following Agile methodologies.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

• Graduate Student Assembly (GSA)'s ECS Representative (Elections – Winner), UTD

08/2023-Present

• Dean's Merit Scholarship Recipient, University of Texas at Dallas

08/2023-Present

Merit Scholarship Student, Vellore Institute of Technology

08/2018 - 05/2023

CERTIFICATIONS: AWS Cloud Technical Essentials, Salesforce Certified Administrator, SnowPro Core Certification, Google Data Analytics Professional Certificate, Prompt Engineering for ChatGPT, IBM Python for Data Science, Intel Product & Security Yellow Belt, Multimodal RAG more..

^{*}Personal projects are available on https://github.com/srikar-kotra