## Anish Kanda

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#### **EDUCATION**

# Royal Holloway, University of London; BSc (Hons) Computer Science

09/2020 - 07/2023

- **Result:** First class with Honors
- Relevant Modules: Software Engineering, Object-Oriented Programming, Algorithms and complexity, Databases, Machine learning, Multi-dimensional data processing, Computational Finance, Functional Programming, Information security.

#### The Douay Martyrs Roman Catholic Secondary School

09/2012 - 06/2019

- **A-levels:** Mathematics, Psychology, Computer Science
- GCSE's: 11 GCSEs including Mathematics (7) and English (4)

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages/Frameworks (proficient): Java, PostgreSQL, HTML, CSS, Python, Git/GitHub, GitLab, SVN

Languages/Frameworks (prior experience): C, PHP, Haskell, Scala, JavaScript

### PROJECT EXPERIENCE

### Dissertation topic: "A study into HCI - The effects of design on usability and interactivity w.r.t. user experience." - HTML, CSS, JavaScript

- Developed strong research and analytical skills while creating several interfaces and applying varying levels of theoretical HCI-related concepts such as colour theory, visual perception & cognition, accessibility, and human processing.
- Analysed and evaluated each interface by applying industry standards and practices such as A/B, Usability and Statistical testing to determine
  which concepts provide a better user experience and why.

# University project: Machine Learning project(s) – Python (Sci-kit Learn)

- Implemented an inductive conformal predictor for regression using the LASSO, data-preprocessing and parameter selection on the diabetes
  dataset, created by Tibshirani et al. (2004), to predict the likelihood of a sample being classified as diabetic and to develop an understanding of
  how to apply supervised machine learning algorithms in industry and medicine.
- Applied machine-learning algorithms using SVM's, neural networks, pipelining and cross-conformal prediction algorithms on the Scikit learn wine dataset and the USPS dataset of handwritten digits (Hastie et al. (2009))

## University project: Full-stack Restaurant management system web application - PHP, HTML, CSS, JavaScript

- Co-led and Collaborated with a team, applying Agile methodologies (SCRUM) to create a web application that allows customers to place orders which are managed by the waiter and kitchen staff of the restaurant.
- Implemented essential features, including user log-in authentication and staff pages, linking the frontend and backend systems to secure orders and store customer-related information within a live database.

#### University project: Reverse Polish Notation Calculator - Java

- Applied Test-Driven Development (TDD/Unit testing), Waterfall and Agile methodologies, alongside various design patterns such as MVC and Factory, to create a reverse polish Notation calculator.
- Incorporated the use of industry standards & tools such as SDLC, Continuous integration/testing, Maven, JUnit, and Javadoc.

# WORK EXPERIENCE

Currys 2019 - Present

Sales and Support assistant

- Improved problem-solving skills by effectively addressing customer issues and complaints, resulting in notable company recognition and high customer satisfaction.
- Managed, trained, and supported new team members on the operations of the business and the customer sales journey.
- Demonstrated commercial awareness by maintaining an up-to-date understanding of newly released products, FCA compliance and other GDPR-associated regulations.
- Consistently exceeded sales targets which contributed to boosting store sales and meeting period goals.

# The British Heart Foundation

May - June 2016

Financial Analyst/Accounting Intern

- Collaborated with a senior financial analyst to link financial statements together for financial modelling and valuation.
- Evaluated completed Excel models which were then converted into presentations used by the financial analyst.
- Observed the generation of recommendations on how to improve the operations of a business.
- Analysed receipt, expenditures and how the company makes decisions on controlling inflow and outflow.

#### ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES

## **Hillingdon Young Volunteers**

• Enhanced my skills in empathy and communication by volunteering in the community and delivering presentations on the impact of volunteering to the Mayor of Hillingdon Borough.

#### Hillingdon Young Peer Educator levels 1 & 2

• Produced and led several presentations/workshops spreading awareness on sensitive issues which included adolescent emotional health and wellbeing, relationships, sexual health and wellbeing, and substance misuse.

# **Duke of Edinburgh Bronze award**

• Led, planned and managed a team of six people on a two-day 30 km hike; gained hands-on experience in managing and leading a significant project and quickly adapting to sudden unanticipated changes/situations for the betterment of the team.

## **OTHER SKILLS & INTERESTS**

Languages: English, Hindi, Punjabi (Fluent)

Interests: Gym, Football, Travelling (Love to explore new cultures, try out different foods and meet new people), Gaming, Reading/attending AI talks.

IT: MS Office Suite (Word, PowerPoint, Excel, One Note)