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EDUCATION

Master of Science in Data Science

Expected May 2025

Stevens Institute of Technology, NJ, USA

GPA: 3.5/4.0

Coursework: Optimization for Data Science, Applied ML, Time Series Analysis, Deep Learning, Statistical Methods, Generative AI for BIA.

Bachelor of Technology in Information Technology

August 2019 - June 2023

Pune University, India | Outstanding Student Award

GPA: 9.61/10

WORK EXPERIENCE

Data Analyst Intern - Marketing | Compass Group, USA

February 2024 - May 2025

- Implemented real-time Power BI dashboards which analyzed social media sentiment, engagement, and campaign performance, influence to identify most resonant content and improving content strategy, boosting overall social shares by 20%.
- Leveraged NLP to analyze customer feedback sentiment, leading to a 15% increase in retention-focused marketing strategies.
- Performed A/B testing to evaluate digital campaigns and promotional strategies, leading to a 15% increase in student engagement.
- Used **SQL** for data manipulation of CRM and marketing automation data to track KPIs and uncover insights into lead generation and conversion patterns, enabling the team to fine-tune campaign targeting and improve data manipulation processes.

Machine Learning Intern | Stevens Institute of Technology, USA

May 2024 - August 2024

- Conceptualized and implemented an **AI chatbot using GPT-4 and LangChain** for the university IT support desk; the chatbot delivered context-aware support, reducing **support tickets by 20% per month.**
- Automated context switching to enhance the chatbot's effectiveness in handling complex queries, leading to the recognition as the 'Most Helpful AI Assistant' by the university's IT department.
- Created automated dashboards for **real-time performance monitoring** to analyze chatbot interactions, tracking key metrics like **response time, user retention, accuracy, escalation rate, and sentiment analysis**, driving insights to optimize performance.

Data Engineer Intern | Tata Motors Limited, India

January 2023 - June 2023

- Engineered data pipeline using Python (Pandas, PySpark) for data analysis to consolidate user engagement metrics into a PostgreSQL database, facilitating a 40% faster generation of real-time analytics reports.
- Built a Django-based backend with Django REST Framework, exposing data via a REST API for Power BI integration.
- Designed and deployed **interactive dashboards** in **Power BI** to analyze **user behavior trends**, optimizing **feature adoption** and enhancing **operational efficiency**.

RELEVANT PROJECTS

Grader Bot [GitHub]

- Led a team of 4 to develop a GenAl grading bot using GPT-40 and Langchain's agentic framework to automate assignment evaluations, reducing teacher grading time by 40% and decreasing burnout among educators.
- Constructed a modular Python codebase integrating OCR and a Streamlit interface for 'Grader Bot', cutting assignment grading time for teachers by 60%, based on testing with 10 teachers.

Economic Policy Optimization [GitHub]

- Evaluated the impact of economic policies on consumer behavior by interpreting Consumer Price Index trends; presented a comprehensive report that guided strategic decisions, leading to a 15% increase in policy effectiveness.
- Employed statistical and analytical models, applying two hypothesis tests—T-test and Chi-square test—to predict economic outcomes.

Self-Generated Soccer Highlights | Published in IEEE [Paper Link]

- Executed ML model for soccer match summarization using an Inflated 3D CNN for action recognition and motion detection.
- Analyzed Soccer Net dataset with OpenCV for data augmentation, identifying and classifying 3 key events: goals, substitutes, and penalties, improving event detection accuracy by 25% and attained 95% accuracy in creating concise video clips.

SKILLS

Data Science: AI/ML, GenAI, LLM, NLP, MLOps, Regression Analysis, Statistical Modeling, Predictive Analytics, Time Series Analysis, A/B Testing. **Programming Languages & Frameworks:** Python, R, SQL, C++, Java, Scala, MATLAB, Pandas, Scikit-Learn, TensorFlow, Keras, PyTorch, Django. **Data Visualization & Business Intelligence:** Power BI, Tableau, Qlik, Data Visualization, Interactive Dashboards, Data Storytelling. **Cloud & Database Technologies:** Azure, AWS, GCP, MongoDB, Oracle, MySQL, PostgreSQL, NoSQL, Data Warehouse, ETL, Data Mining.