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Figuring out life through Softwares, AI and music

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SUMMARY STATEMENT

- Passionate about adding value to healthcare through softwares, AI and anything it takes.
- Built and lead development of natural language processing (NLP) and clinical information extraction stack for nFERENCE.
- Immensely excited about the potential of large language models (LLMs) in clinical and healthcare domain.

EXPERIENCE

Senior Manager - Data Science

nFERENCE

📅 Oct 2023 – Ongoing

📍 Bangalore, India

- Lead development of multiple LLM based chat applications namely ECG-Explorer, Patient Varta and Chat-Cohorts.
- Build and maintain the entire NLP infrastructure for nFERENCE
- Adoption of LLMs for optimising workflows of manual validation and data tagging. Improved efficiency by ~3-4x.
- Lead development of nFERENCE's NLP model suite comprising of >20 production grade models

Manager - Data Science

nFERENCE

📅 Oct 2021 – Sep 2023

📍 Bangalore, India

- Lead development of multiple SDKs like nferai and synthesizer for easy development and usage of NLP models.
- Lead development of nFERENCE's at scale clinical information extraction systems with a capability to run >10 models on ~1.4B notes in ~10 days.
- Lead development of nFERENCE's flagship model suite called HealthcareAPI for generalised clinical information extraction

Technical Lead

nFERENCE

📅 Jun 2020 – Sep 2021

📍 Bangalore, India

- Developed one of nFERENCE's flagship product - InfoX. The product seeks to make automatically curated data from clinical text accessible to users in real time. The product spans multiple systems, microservices and extensive use of distributed computing.

Team Lead - Data Science

nFERENCE

📅 Aug 2019 – May 2020

📍 Bangalore, India

- Developed nFERENCE's flagship product - Signals. The product summarises biomedical concepts and shows relation with other biomedical concepts in an intuitive google style search interface.

PROUD OF



Innovation and Execution

in building best in class NLP infra for Clinical Information extraction at nFERENCE spanning 10s of components and microservices



Learning and Adapting

to new technologies like LLMs and getting nFERENCE upto speed with their usage in healthcare domain



Generalist and Specialist

Led and been hands on with numerous techs like golang, Python, C++, React, Deep Learning etc. to develop specialised systems in healthcare



Being Multifaceted

Trained classical musician with more than a decade playing the Sarod. Also a fitness and nutrition freak.

STRENGTHS

Ideas & innovation

Quick Learner

Motivator & leader

Backend

AI

NLP

End to end systems

LANGUAGES

English

Hindi



EDUCATION

B.Tech in Electrical Engineering

IIT Delhi

📅 July 2011 – May 2015

🎓 CGPA: 9.15/10

Data Scientist

nFERENCE

📅 Sep 2018 – Jul 2019

📍 Bangalore, India

- Joined as employee #4 at nFERENCE's India office.
- Implemented and deployed embedding algorithms like word2vec, context2vec etc. on biomedical data.

Software Engineer

Samsung R&D Institute

📅 Jul 2015 – Aug 2018

📍 Bangalore, India

- Developing and commercialising Samsung smartwatch based sports analytics solutions. Specifically, involved in development of machine learning based detection and classification algorithms for swing based sports.

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