

Education

G.L. BAJAJ INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

Bachelor of Technology (Electronics and Communication) Graduated May 2012

ASN Sr. Sec. School Senior Secondary (CBSE) Graduated March 2007

Skills

Programming language

Python:	****
<u>Tools</u>	
Jupyter	****
Anaconda	****
Pycharm	****
VSCode	****
ArcGIS	****
QGIS	****
DL/ML Stack	
DL algorithms	****
Pytorch	****
Fastai	****
Transformers	****
Keras	***
Pyspark	***
Pandas	****
ArcGIS Python API	****
GDAL	★★★★☆
Langchain	★★★★☆
Llama Index	★★★★☆
Unstructured	★★★ ☆
Cloud platforms:	
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AWS	****
Azure	★★★★☆
GCP MI APIS	****

OS / Virtualization: Linux

Windows Docker

Other tools:

ArcGIS Pro Redis Cache MS Project Server Sharepoint 2013

Interests

Trail running, hiking.
Deep learning evangelism.

Akhil Negi Manager Data & Analytics

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Experience

EY Global Delivery Services

Manager – Data and Analytics December 2021 – Present

Generative Al Center Of Excellence setup:

Successfully set up a fully operational Generative AI Center of Excellence.

Implemented a strategic roadmap for generative AI applications, resulting in the development and deployment of key Generative AI projects.

Core Responsibilities:

- Established Core workstreams: GenAl training and enablement, Innovation, Generative Al factory, GenAl SOPs and best practices.
- Spearheaded the development of distinct workstreams within the COE, involved in shortlisting nominations, and defined the core responsibilities and strategic vision for each workstream.
- Strategic Planning and Execution: Developed a comprehensive two-month backlog for each workstream, ensuring alignment with long-term business goals and facilitating smooth initial operations.
- Resource Allocation and Funding: Managed prioritization for Generative AI initiatives, focusing on the development and delivery of prioritized use cases to maximize return on investment and enhance operational efficiencies.

Led the design and development of MVPs with generative AI models, directly impacting key areas such as:

- Enterprise knowledge management and discovery, enhancing information accessibility and improving decision-making.
- Optimizing contact center operations through Al-driven insights, boosting customer service and operational efficiency.
- Application leveraging RAG, LLM Agents and tools:
 - ESG benchmarking
 - Code documentation and translation.
 - NL query for structured data.
 - Document comparison and disclosure validation.
 - Web search based cataloging tool.

Core Responsibilities:

- Helping customers with analyzing their current processes and identifying transformation areas.
- Requirement analysis, discovery, drafting high-level and low-level application design.
- Going through the latest state of the art research.
- LLM and framework selection.
- Training data preparation.
- Pre-processing pipeline design and development.
- · Evaluation pipeline design and development.

Tech stack: Azure OpenAI, Azure app service, Opensource LLMs (Ilama, mistral, etc.), whisper, Azure STT/TTS, Azure AI search , Langchain, LangSmith, LlamaIndex, peft, evaluate, ragas, promptfoo, vLLM, bitsandbytes, tiktoken, Lamini, hugginface-transformers, chromaDB, redis, FAISS, Streamlit, FastAPI.

Implementation of a transactional fraud detection strategy for a leading UK bank:

Worked as a Sr. Data Scientist for customization and implementation of transaction fraud detection strategy for a large UK bank

Core Responsibilities:

- Data feed validation, mapping and transformation.
- Data preparation for model selection and training.
- MVP and production model building
- Building fraud strategy rules for augmenting model decisions.
- Shadow model monitoring and production deployment.
- Live model monitoring.

Tech stack : LightGBM, XGBoost, Random Forest, Python, Pyspark, JupyterLab, GCP DataProc, Hadoop

Lead the development of a Data Monetization platform for a major power and utility sector client:

- Analyzed power consumption data for millions of customers across different regions to come up with high quality reliable insights.
- Contributed to the data monetization strategy by developing high quality spatial trends and predictions to be monetized as Data Insight reports and data enrichment API.
- Leveraged spatial analytics, countrywide power consumption data (over a decade), powerful regression models to generate different insightful reports:
 - Up and coming neighborhoods.
 - Real-estate development trends.
 - Commercial and residential development trends.
 - · Geographic socio-economic indicators.

Tech stack: QGIS, SAP BW, Python, JuPyter, Folium, Streamlit, Pytorch, scikit-learn, GDAL, Shapely, GeoPandas

Lead the development and implementation of a Document AI solution for a significant client in the Chemical (procurement) sector for transforming their raw material procurement pipeline:

Core Responsibilities:

- Lead the project from conceptualization to deployment, ensuring the solution effectively streamlined procurement processes.
- Data ingestion pipeline design and development on Azure.
- Database modelling and UX design.
- Led the training data labelling effort with 6 junior DS and experts chemists from the client team. Output: 50k labelled documents.
- Optimized the labelling data process by developing AI assisted labelling approach.
- Drove model pipeline development. As part of which 16 classification and ner models were trained and iterated to achieve acceptable performance.
- Setting up a feedback loop to retrain models with user feedback.

Tech stack: Azure logic apps, Azure functions, Azure language studio, Azure Form-recognizer, Python, Huggingface-transformers, Doccano, CosmosDB

Contributed to business development efforts by:

- Initiating and executing multiple Natural Language Processing (NLP) and Computer Vision (CV) POCs for clients across different industries, showcasing the practical benefits of Al technologies.
- Utilizing technical and project leadership skills to foster company growth and widen its client base with innovative AI solutions.

ESRI New Delhi R&D center (Environmental Systems Research Institute)

Data Scientist 2

May 2019 - November 2021

- Played a pivotal role in the ArcGIS Python API team, integrating cutting-edge deep learning models for processing imagery, unstructured text, and 3D point cloud data.
- Served as Product owner for the Python API text module, leading agile practices and facilitating the seamless development and delivery of product enhancements.
- Drove the research and development of new datasets, spearheading the training of production-scale deep learning models on multi-GPUs. These models were primed for publication on the ArcGIS Living Atlas, showcasing a blend of technical acumen and strategic project direction.
- Assumed the role of NLP specialist, overseeing the curation and maintenance of the text sub-module within the Python API, ensuring the delivery of robust NLP capabilities.
- Identified and pursued opportunities for enhancing the existing product ecosystem with ML/DL technologies, demonstrating a strategic approach to product development and innovation.
- Led the deployment of ready-to-use models as web services on cloud infrastructure, facilitating the operationalization of deep learning models for broader accessibility and impact.
- Collaborated across teams to embed deep learning solutions within various products:
 Few examples of DL inclusion:
 - Enhancing search and discoverability in ArcGIS Online.
 - Implementing solutions for the redaction of personally identifiable information from public documents, thereby elevating privacy and security measures.
- Championed the Python API and the team's innovations through presentations at Webinars, ESRI Developer Summits, and user conferences, effectively communicating the value and applications of our work to a wider audience.

Tata Consultancy Services (Life Sciences-TEG)

Data Scientist Jan 2017– Mar 2019

- Engaged with stakeholders to comprehensively understand their processes, laying the groundwork for targeted improvements.
- Analyzed the existing workflows to pinpoint opportunities for ML/NLP applications, aiming to enhance operational efficiency.
- Collaborated closely with fellow developers to extract and prepare the necessary data for analysis and modeling.

- Developed and enforced data labeling guidelines, overseeing the manual labeling efforts carried out by my team for training data preparation.
- Outlined the technical infrastructure needs, leading the setup of Virtual Machines (VMs) on the Google Cloud Platform to support our computing requirements.
- Architected and implemented a data cleansing and preprocessing pipeline, ensuring data quality and readiness for model training.
- Conducted thorough research on cutting-edge deep learning architectures and academic papers, adapting state-of-the-art solutions to meet our specific project needs.
- Took charge of model development, from initial building and training to fine-tuning and establishing deployment pipelines, ensuring models are ready for production use.
- Provided ongoing support to the team, troubleshooting and resolving challenges encountered during the model training process.
- Focused on team capability enhancement by hiring and mentoring new ML talents, fostering a skilled and knowledgeable workforce.

Tata Consultancy Services (Ameriprise Financial)

Sharepoint developer/Project Server SME Mar 2013 – Sep 2016

- Design, develop, and manage site content and capabilities and provide daily onsite maintenance of the existing SharePoint portals.
- Design intelligent form-based applications (InfoPath) as per business requirements.
- Work with Project Managers, providing accurate development estimates as requested.
- Ensure systems change management is carried out in accordance with agreed standards and procedures on Service Now.
- Walkthrough of the design and code to the Production support team and Change management team.
- Reporting of status to the client through weekly meetings.
- Act as Project Server SME for Project Management Group.
- Assist PMs with the maintenance of project pages in SharePoint.