ABHINAV SONONE

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EDUCATION		
Bachelor of Sciences, Data Science , IIT Madras	9.2*(CGPA)	2021 - present
Bachelor of Engineering, Mechanical, Sinhgad College of Engineering, Pune	75%	2013 - 2017
Board of Higher Secondary Education, Maharashtra	85%	2011 - 2013
Board of Secondary Education, Maharashtra	98%	2010 - 2011

EXPERIENCE

IIT-MADRAS: STATISTICS MENTOR - INTERN*

09/2022 - 12/2022 & 09/2023 - present

- Mentored over 30+ students & working professionals, delivering 70+ sessions to teach advanced statistics
- *Initiative*: Established and led `*The Bayesian Society*`: an informal discussion forum to discuss current AI trends & facilitating insightful discussions among the peers.
- Expertise: Demonstrated proficiency in Probability distributions, Hypothesis testing, Estimation of Parameter, Simple Linear Regression etc

WORLDQUANT : RESEARCH CONSULTANT*

11/2023 - present

- Spearheaded the creation of 30+ market-neutral alpha algorithms utilizing Brain Expression language
- Developing a *backtesting framework* for algorithmic trading strategies using **Python, NumPy, and pandas.**
- Achieved 28th position out of 1000 participants (top 3%) at IIT-Madras Brain Alphathon

MAKE-A-DIFFERENCE: CAMPAIGNS VOLUNTEER

09/2021 - 06/2022

- Lead a team in designing collaterals for promotional campaigns effectively conveying MAD's message
- Assisted in a fundraising campaign, generating over 1L+ in funds in span of 2 weeks
- Facilitated the coordination of **Dream Camp**, taking charge of **event scheduling**, ensuring active participation from volunteers, and **devising engaging activities** for the program.

XICON INTERNATIONAL LTD: DESIGN AND PROJECTS

02/2017 – 11/2017

- Supported the team in data-driven efforts to improve tank heating efficiency, achieving a 5% enhancement
- Assisted in costing and estimation of diverse industrial projects delivering accurate and competitive bids

PROJECTS

STRATEGIC RECRUITMENT INTELLIGENCE: REDUCING TIME-TO-HIRE (ANALYTICS)*

10/2023 – present

- Implementing real-time recruitment dashboard using Looker Studio for a HR Franchise in Pune.
- Developing a standard ranking framework for candidates, channel performance and talent pool analytics
- Anticipating a 20% decrease in the time required to hire and successful closure of specific positions.

GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSION PREDICTION SYSTEM (DATA SCIENCE)

05/2023 - 06/2023

- Won Inclusive Data Hackathon 2023, besting a field of 250+ participants across 12 countries
- Formulated independent research methodology, incorporating web scraping from IPCC, USDA and EPA websites to construct emissions dataset
- Employed scikit-learn algorithms for data cleaning, processing, and model development, achieving 98%
- Utilized Python in the backend for developing ML pipelines & model deployment on Azure cloud

ASSIGNMENT V/S LEARNING: A DESIGN THINKING CASE (PRODUCT)

09/2022 - 09/2022

- Utilized EAST(Empathize, Analyze, Solve, Test), design thinking paradigm to address learning challenges
- Conducted customer journey mapping- identified the pain points through multi-why approach and utilized
 TRIZ methodology to effectively address the root cause of the problem

WORKSHOPS AND CERTIFICATIONS

•	Improving statistical inferences : Eindhoven Technology University	10/2023
•	Fundamental of <i>Quantitative Modelling</i> - Wharton Online	09/2023
•	Visual Analytics with <i>Tableau</i> - <i>UC Davis</i>	09/2023
•	Microsoft Certified <i>Azure AI-900</i>	08/2023
•	Numerical Optimization - Theory and Algorithm : Prof Harish Guruprasad, IIT Madras	08/2022
•	An Introduction to Computational Social Science : Prof P. Kumaraguru, IIIT Hyderabad	07/2022

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Won the AWS Gameday at Inclusive Data Hackathon 2023, solving guided problems in limited time
- 2nd Prize: Paper Presentation- Good Building Physics(HVAC) for sustainable environment, ISHRAE- Pune
- Received TFWS scholarship- awarded to meritorious students for UG studies