Arnav Ahuja

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Education

o Birla Institute Of Technology and Science, Pilani, Rajasthan, India

2018-2023

Bachelor of Technology Computer Science

Master of Science in Mathematics (Dual Degree)

Overall CGPA: 8.29/10

o St Xavier's School, Jaipur, Rajasthan, India

2017-2018

All India Senior School Certificate Examination (Class XII)

Percentage: 95.6%

Work Experience

Barclays Aug'23 - Present

Position: Graduate Developer — Team: Model Implementation Team

- Provisioned credit risk based datasets to run quantitative models for multiple teams within Barclays
- o Spearheaded the development of a unified messaging service on AWS to automate dataset delivery
- o Built and managed infrastructure to integrate and run over 100 quantitative models for the bank

Western Australia Department of Health

Jan-May'23

Position: Research Intern

- Investigated ~19000 attributes for 373 suburbs in the Australian continent for improving community health
- o Implemented hierarchical clustering and PCA based clustering for attribute correlation
- o Obtained a specific suburb from the data for in-depth analysis and evaluation of policy effectiveness

Amazon June-Dec'22

Position: Applied Scientist — Team: Selection Monitoring

- Developed reinforcement learning based baseline models with 30% accuracy for identifying user actions
- o Constructed WebPage Segmentation based approach with 84.2% accuracy for finding user actions on web-pages
- o Utilized a graph based approach for exhaustive product selection on competitor e-commerce websites

Publications

- Use of spatio-temporal features for earthquake forecasting of imbalanced data.
 (IEEE) International Conference on Intelligent Innovations in Engineering and Technology (ICIIET) LINK Arnav Ahuja, Aaditya Sharma, Sumanta Pasari
- Disease Identification in Tomato Leaf using pre-trained ResNet and Deformable Inception.
 (Springer) 5th International Conference on Computational Intelligence in Data Science LINK
 Arnav Ahuja, Jennifer Ranjani, Aditya Tulsyan
- Forecasting Earthquakes Using Neural Network Models.
 (Springer Nature) Disaster Management in Complex Himalayan Terrains Natural Hazard Management, Methodologies and Policy Implications. LINK Arnav Ahuja, Sumanta Pasari

Academic Projects

Classical ML: Detecting Diabetic Retinopathy using ML

Jan-May'22

- Analyzed single nucleotide polymorphism data for identifying the susceptibility to diabetic retinopathy.
- o Implemented Lasso Regression and Random Forest algorithm for feature selection in SNPs.
- o Used machine learning algorithms like kNN, SVM, Gradient Boosted DT for predicting the susceptibility.

Computer Vision: Crop Disease Identification

Jan-Dec'20

- o Devised a new Inception Resnet deep learning architecture to identify diseases in the leaf of tomato plant
- Achieved an **accuracy of 98.16**% which is higher than the traditional resnet model (97.5%)
- o Created a new dataset of real images using data augmentation which significantly increased the accuracy

Deep Learning: Earthquake Forecasting

Aug-Dec'20

- o Interpreted time series data of earthquakes in five different regions to extract the seismicity information
- o Implemented a neural network **model which forecasts earthquakes** using seismicity indicators in the regions
- Achieved an accuracy of 90.4% for forecasting the probability of an upcoming earthquake in the Himalayas

Computer Vision: Facial Recognition Based Attendance System

May-July'20

- o Designed a facial-recognition based attendance system to help curb the spread of COVID-19
- Used openCV library (Haar Cascade Algorithm) for facial recognition

Statistical Analysis: Epidemiological Analysis of COVID-19

Jan-May'20

- o Analyzed COVID 19 data with respect to the SIR epidemic model of disease spread
- Estimated the defining characteristic parameters of the model by minimizing squared error loss
- Calculated the reproductive number to be close to 1.2

Deep Learning: English to Hindi Language Transliteration

May-June'20

- o Trained an Encoder-Decoder model which transliterated English alphabets to Hindi language font
- o Deployed Gated Recurrent Units with attention mechanism to enhance the performance of the model

Computer Vision: Occlusion Analysis & Filter Visualization

May-June'20

- o Analyzed the filter in a CNN for detecting the important parts of an image
- Performed occlusion sensitivity analysis on various images

Mentorship Experience

Teaching Assistant

BITS F312 : Neural Networks & Fuzzy Logic Aug-Dec'22

Prof. Surekha Bhanot, BITS Pilani

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- o Guided a class of approximately 100 students and was responsible for their assignments
- o Supervised multiple groups of 3-4 students in their projects

Technical Skills

Programming Languages

- C, C++, Java, Python, MATLAB, SQL, Shell Script

Data Science Libraries Machine Learning Platforms/Tools - Boto3, PyTorch, TensorFlow, Keras, Pandas, Numpy, openCV

- CNNs, RNNs, GRUs, LSTMs, Transformers, Reinforcement Learning - AWS (all services), Google Colab, Jupyter Notebook, MATLAB

Extracurricular Activities

 Member of Student's Academic Council - Organized various talks and activities to augment the academic and research culture of the campus

[2020-2022]

 Class Head of 8th standard (NSS) - Supervised all class 8th activities; prepared schedules for all students and volunteers

[2019-2020]

 Volunteer at National Service Scheme (NSS) - Mentored underprivileged students and tutored them on their curriculum subjects

[2018-2020]

o **Game Developer at Coding Club** - Developed several games on the unity platform as well as designed the characters on the blender platform

[2018-2019]