Akash Vishwakarma

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Dynamic Data Detective and Machine Learning Enthusiast, skilled in unraveling complex datasets for actionable insights and innovative solutions, excelling in data-informed decisions with expertise in data analysis, governance, and model development.

EDUCATION

University of Southern California,

Degree - Masters in computer science

Coursework: Algorithms, Database, Artificial Intelligence, Machine learning & Data Science

Los Angeles, CA

January 2023 - December 2024

GPA: 3.5

Savitribai Phule Pune University

Degree - Bachelor of Engineering in Information Technology

Coursework: Data Structure, Statistics, OS, Data Science, Machine Learning and Big Data

Pune, India

August 2018 - May 2022 GPA: 9.51

TECHNICAL SKILLS

- Python: NumPy, Pandas, Scikit-learn, SciPy, Keras, TensorFlow, Matplotlib, Seaborn, Pytorch, SciPy
- Languages: Python, C, C++, Java, HTML, CSS, Javascript, PHP, Flask
- Tools & Cloud: Tableau, Power BI, Git and Github, Azure, AWS, DataBricks, Snowflake, ETL, Docker
- Databases: MS SQL, Hadoop, Oracle Server, PostgreSQL, PySpark, NoSQL, RDBMS, MapReduce, Big Data, large-scale datasets
- Statistics/Modeling: Hypotheses Testing, supervised and unsupervised learning, Deep Learning Applications, Predictive modeling

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Cognizant Data Scientist | Artificial Intelligence via Forage

November 2023 - November 2023

- Spearheaded a data analysis project aimed at optimizing inventory management for Gala Groceries.
- Faced with the challenge of inefficient inventory management, so led a project to address frequent overstocking and stockout issues.
- Overcame this by developing a machine learning model specifically to predict inventory needs with greater precision and reliability.
- Optimized the stock replenishment process with a strategic model, achieving a more balanced and responsive inventory system.
- Communicated findings and analysis in the form of a PowerPoint slide to present the results back to the business.

Data Analyst | Bracket Infinity | Mumbai, India,

March 2020 - July 2020

- Built a Python-based web scraping algorithm to identify and retrieve over 10,000 missing images and comment details from an ecommerce website plagued by loading errors and data gaps.
- Extracted and analyzed product review data, including comment counts and star ratings, to assess customer feedback patterns.
- Synthesized data into reports, visualizing key insights in Tableau to highlight areas with high positive reviews and star ratings.
- Presented findings and methodologies to non-technical stakeholders, effectively communicating complex concepts and solutions.

PROJECTS

Geo-Clustered Analysis | Python, K-means Clustering (Link)

November 2023

- Led an innovative air pollution study at USC, utilizing data mining on a 25+ million dataset. Findings informed (SDGs) 11 and 13.
- Employed k-means clustering for regional emission profiling, analyzing pollutants like PM2.5 and NOx.
- Overcame challenges with 100 GB of data, showcasing big data analysis and environmental research skills.

Spam and Ham Classifier | Neural Language Processing, Streamlit, Support Vector Machine (Webiste-Link)

July 2023

- Developed and deployed a robust spam detection model utilizing SVM algorithms and TF-IDF vectorization.
- Achieved 98% accuracy in distinguishing spam and ham messages, with the capability to classify over 10,000 messages efficiently.
- The system can significantly reduce the influx of unwanted emails, enhancing email management and security for users.

Image Analysis Neural Network Model | Python, CNN, Tensorflow, MLOPS (Github)

June 2023

• Crafted a neural network using LeNet-5 architecture, achieving 99.80% accuracy in fashion image classification. This model excels in automated categorization and trend analysis. Rigorously tested across 20+ datasets, it's been effectively integrated into an end-to-end project utilizing MLOPs, and deployed on Heroku.

Tableau and Power BI Dashboard | SQL, Python, Tableau, Excel, PowerBI (Website - Link)

December 2022

- Designed HR analytics strategies using Tableau resulting in a 16% attrition rate reduction.
- Identified 56% of attrition in the R&D department and peak attrition within the 25-34 age group on business data
- Transformed pizza sales data into actionable insights using SQL, Power Query, Python, and Power BI.

Forky Forum | HTML, CSS, Javascript, PHP, MySQL (Website - Link)

December 2020

• Created a dynamic, responsive website showcasing trending local food reviews and recipes. This platform not only engages users with attractive, interactive content but also includes a comprehensive database system for efficient admin management.

PUBLICATIONS

An android application to mark attendance using fingerprint authentication $\mid (Link)$

December 2015 - May 2018

• Collaborated with 3-member team to create an Android attendance app, boosting efficiency by 40% and reducing department cycle time by 25%. Implemented secure authentication measures to prevent proxy attendance. (Published - IJRAR.ORG)

LEADERSHIP WORK

- Volunteered for Mind Spark event at DY Patil College, Pune. Collaborated in managing event and other volunteer work.
 Mentored juniors, organized college book-giving, conducted gaming event at DY Patil College, featuring CS:GO and PUBG.
 Led team to 1st place in PUBG tourney, securing 5,000 Rs Prize through strategic coordination and leadership skills.