KASHISH KHARBANDA

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EDUCATION

University of California, Berkeley

B.A. Computer Science & Data Science, Certification in Entrepreneurship & Technology Product Management

- Lead Software Engineer Mobile App Dev, UC Berkeley Division of Computing & Data Science
 - Used Swift to develop a mobile app platform for computer science/data science students at UC Berkeley & other schools.
- Data Science Research Director, University Laboratory @ Berkeley (ULAB)
 - Led and mentored 65+ undergraduate students in AI/ML-related research projects presented to UC Berkeley faculty annually.
- Product Management course: Teaching Assistant, Sutardja Center for Entrepreneurship & Technology @ UC Berkeley
 - Led a venture project class, mentoring students to leverage emerging tech to build MVPs for their startup's core products.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Scale AI, New York City, NY

May 2025 - Present

Strategic Projects, Generative AI

• Leading AI infra efforts to advance LLM product capabilities, with a focus on model evaluations and agentic behavior.

Visaro AI, New York City, NY

July 2024 - April 2025

Co-Founder & CTO / Head of Product

- AI-driven adtech platform; enables brands to integrate virtual products into short-form videos as contextual ads, and allows them to track/run analytics on these placements in real-time. Enhanced contextual advertising & reduced manual tracking time by 85%.
- Secured 3 partnerships with top media agencies and CPG brands, and piloted our genAI video model with 50+ content creators.
- Selected for NYC's top accelerator, Antler. Ran an 8-week sprint and pitched to 100+ C-suite executives and investors.
- Primarily led product development, product strategy, engineering, and enterprise partnerships/stakeholder communication.

Intel Corporation, Santa Clara, CA

January 2023 - January 2024

GPU Software Engineer

- Developed GPU software models for high-performance computing and running AI/ML workloads in Intel's AXG team.
- Utilized C++, Ruby, and XML to build simulation and emulation software to test and validate Intel's next-gen pre-silicon GPUs.
- Implemented and optimized GPU IP features in validation tools, ensuring seamless hardware-software integration.
- Worked on high-performance 2D & 3D graphics rendering, using OpenGL and GLFW libraries.

T-Mobile, Bellevue, WA

May 2021 – December 2022

Machine Learning Engineer → ML Product Manager

- Designed, architected, built, and deployed an ML model evaluation product from the ground up, used by 500+ data scientists at T-Mobile's annual data science hackathon, enabling 30+ teams to efficiently assess and improve their model performance.
- Utilized Python, Microsoft Azure, and Databricks script/build integration points to develop a ML evaluation tool that acquired performance scores (precision, recall, F1 score, etc) for enterprise AI models at scale. Led all product-related strategic efforts.
- Offered a competitive opportunity to develop predictive ML models to enhance customer retention strategies for T-Mobile's Business organization. Presented to leadership every month.

Microsoft Corporation, Redmond, WA

June – August 2018, 2019

Data Scientist / AI Product Manager [x2 internships]

- Year 1: Utilized Python, C#, and U-SQL in Azure Data Lake to analyze on-premises databases and develop an ML model for automated Azure SQL Database SKU recommendation that optimized cloud migration for enterprise clients.
- Year 2: Developed a product to track ML model data drift, diagnose accuracy degradation, and enhance model stability over time.

NOTABLE PROJECTS

Starglass AI: a voice agent for business owners with language barriers

2024

• Selected for Inception Studio, a competitive AI hackathon. Built an AI voice agent to automate client bookings with 0 manual intervention. Built technical MVP within 3 days, onboarded 7 SMBs, and received the most investor interest on pitch day.

Roop (originally ReStyle): a social circular marketplace to swap clothing

2022-2023

• A web app for college students to borrow and exchange clothes. Grew to 100+ users at UC Berkeley. Led product + engineering.

AI Matchmaker: an advanced matchmaking algorithm

2020

• Built a matchmaking algorithm for UC Berkeley; 600+ submissions, 380+ college students matched. Went viral on social media.

SKILLS

Technical: GenAI & ML (Object Detection, Diffusion models), Software Development (Swift, Python, API Design), Cloud & MLOps (Azure, Databricks), GPU & HPC (C++, OpenGL, Graphics Rendering), Data Engineering (SQL, PySpark, ETL). **Business:** Product Management, Operational Leadership, Data-driven Decision Making, Stakeholder Communication, GTM Strategy.

AWARDS

Top Women in AI Innovation 2024 (WomenX Innovators), NCWIT Award for Outstanding Accomplishments (Google), Top 10 National Mobile Application Development Championship (FBLA), Speaker at Gemini Conference (Google Deepmind)