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EXPERIENCE

Applied AI & Full Stack | ELZO.AI

(Jan - Oct 2024)

- Designed and Implemented a pipeline for **production-ready RAG** (Retrieval-Augmented Generation) into the Django code-base, enhancing contextual relevance in AI-powered user research studies.
- Architected** and deployed an AI-driven **open-ended survey system**, designing the agent structure and crafting effective prompts to generate comprehensive question sets from simple objectives.
- Developed an automated **insight generation system**, extracting **key observations with their frequencies**, actionable insights, **user sentiments** etc.. from the data collected through the **open-ended survey system**.
- Experimented with **fine-tuning** open-source models with 100's of User Research Conversational Data.
- Coded** React based **frontend components** for the conversation system and built the **landing page**.
- Learned to write YAML files while **setting up a staging server**, understanding **DevOps processes**.
- Gained deep understanding of user research methodologies and product management needs, applying this knowledge to refine AI-generated questions and improve study effectiveness.

AI RESEARCH | Graph Neural Networks

(May - Jun 2023)

- Implemented techniques that **Generalize GNNs better than state-of-the-art**. Authored a paper [arXiv](#)
- Introduced **Residual Connections** into GNNs to foster scalability, **higher test accuracy**. Incorporated **learnable weights** within **message passing**, enhancing the **information propagation** within GNN.

Data Analysis, Prediction and Optimization | WorkdePot

(Nov - Dec 2023)

- Predicted sales for Workedepot store using **forecasting** algorithms **ARIMA, Prophet, Exp Smoothing**, etc.
- Built a **real-time system** to recommend **quantity, date**, shipping methods based on forecasted demands.

PROJECTS

OPEN SOURCE at Hugging Face, UnifyAI

(July - Oct 2023)

- Wrote Chapters **Model Optimization, Model Deployment** for the **Hugging Face Computer Vision Course**
- Resolved an Issue** for the **UnifyAI** Platform regarding **compatibility** between **JAX** and **Pytorch**.

Fine Tuning a LLM on a Curated Dataset | GPT2

(March 2023)

- Fine-Tuned GPT2** pretrained on **28,000** paragraphs from **Paul Graham's Essays** using **Hugging Face API**.
- Scraped** the data, **Tokenized** and **Trained** the model. Built a **Gradio App** to interact with the model.

Reinforcement Learning

(Autumn 2023)

- Built an Agent to play **Pool** using **UCT Tree Search**. **Learnt** the workings behind the famous **AlphaGo**.
- Coded **Howard policy iteration** to solve a 3-player 4x4 **football** game with **encoder, planner, decoder** [GitHub](#)

Computer Vision, NLP | CS231n Stanford

(Nov-Jan 2022)

- Implemented Back-Propagation for **Batch-Norm, Softmax** to gain stronger intuition. [Github](#).
- Trained** a transformer based **Shakespeare LLM model**, a **Image Captioning & Segmentation** models.
- Wrote **Multi-Head Attention** from scratch using **Numpy**, gained **intuition for attention mechanism**

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| TECHNICAL SKILLS | Full-Stack : Django Gin Ruby on Rails React Redux Cloud : Docker Kubernetes Google-Cloud AI: PyTorch JAX Hugging Face |
| TOOLS | Postman Git Figma Whimsical Cursor AI |
| LANGUAGES | Python Javascript GoLang English Hindi Kannada Telugu |
| RELEVANT COURSES AT IITB | CS728 Organization of Web Information CS726 Advanced ML CS747 Intelligent & Learning Agents Reinforcement Learning SC 646 Distributed Optimization & ML |
| HOBBIES | Books Gym Listening to Podcasts Writing |