# KETULKUMAR POLARA

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#### **EDUCATION**

Master's of Science in Information Technology, Florida International University

April 2023 GPA: **3.82**/4.0

GPA: **3.32**/4.0

Dec 2020

Course Specialization: Data Mining, Deep Learning, Software Engineering

Bachelor's of Science in Information Technology, Florida International University

Course Specialization: Databases, System Administration, Web Development, Cybersecurity

Minor: Entrepreneurship

**SKILLS** 

Programming Languages: Python, Java, SQL

Cloud: AWS (S3, EC2, SageMaker), Azure (Data Lake, Data factory)

Databases: SQL Server, MySQL

Data Visualization: Matplotlib, Plotly, Seaborn

Statistics/Machine Learning/Deep Learning: A/B Testing, Linear/Logistic Regression, SVM, kNN, Decision Tree, XGBoost, Clustering (KMeans), etc. (Scikit-learn, Pandas, NumPy, Scipy), ANN, CNN, Transformers, Autoencoders, (TensorFlow, Keras,

Pytorch), Predictive Modeling, NLP, and Computer Vision

Others: Git, Docker, Excel (V-Lookup, Pivot Tables, Formulas, Charts), Streamlit, Windows, Linux, UNIX

Exposure: Flask, R, KNIME, Hadoop, Spark

**CERTIFICATIONS** 

Azure AI Fundamentals, Microsoft

IBM Data Science Professional, IBM

Big Data Specialization, University of San Diego

Deep Learning Specialization, deeplearning.ai Advanced Data Science Specialization, IBM

### **EXPERIENCE**

#### Machine Learning Researcher

Energy Systems Research Lab (FIU)

Aug 2021 - Current

 $Miami,\ FL$ 

- Designed and developed Time-series database (InfluxDB) to capture data from 200 data points using RTI Data distributions service (Similar to Apache Kafka) for smart grid testbed.
- Using AWS SageMaker, S3, and SageMaker endpoint, trained and deployed Autoencoder and Isolation Forest Machine Learning model in python for anomaly detection in smart grid testbed.
- Implemented Federated Learning Framework Flower with ANN and CNN to detect Denial of Service attacks on IoT devices.
- Implemented Forecasting models for Load and Solar Power using LSTM and Transformer Model.

#### Data Engineer, Intern

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Mar 2020 - Dec 2020

Reston, Virginia

- Performed Data Collection (SQL), Data Cleaning (Python), and Data Visualization.
- Develop deep understanding of the data sources, implement data standards, and maintain data quality.
- Developed a pipeline to perform full loading of data from OLTP source to Azure Data Lake in CSV format using Azure Data Factory.

### PROJECTS

### Title: Attack Detection in IEC 61850 Protocol

- Performed intensive literature review to understand IEC 61850 protocol and prior work in Machine Learning.
- Performed data collection, data cleaning, feature engineering, feature creation and used Principal Component Analysis algorithm (PCA) for dimension reduction.
- Implemented and optimized ANN to increase model performance based on evaluation metric Recall, Precision and F1-score.

#### Title: Customer Default Prediction

- Handled Imbalanced target variable and skewed features using statistical techniques like Stratified K-Folds cross-validation and Yeo-Johnson Transformation.
- Implemented machine learning algorithms like Logistic Regression and Random Forest.
- Leveraged Grid Search for hyperparameter optimization. Obtained AUC score of 85 percent.

## LEADERSHIP AND ACTIVITIES

President Jan 2022 - Current

Artificial Intelligence Coding Club, FIU

• Hosted Events, Workshops, and competitions for democratizing AI into all domains.

Webmaster, IEEE Miami Section

Aug 2021 - Current