

# Kuber Shahi Data Scientist/ML Engineer



## **SUMMARY**

I extract and analyze actionable insights from unstructured data through rigorous data wrangling and analysis. Leveraging my domain understanding and predictive modeling skills, I recommend solutions for various applications. During my free time, I pursue research at the intersection of Computer Vision and NLP, with a focus on knowledge representation and reasoning problems in texts and images.

#### **EDUCATION**

Post Graduate Diploma in Advanced Studies & Research

Magna Cum Laude, Ashoka University

**B.Sc (Hons.) in Computer Science** 

Magna Cum Laude, Ashoka University

Aug 2021 - May 2022 Sonipat, India Aug 2018 - May 2021 Sonipat, India

## **WORK EXPERIENCE**

**Data Scientist** 

Jun 2022 – Present

Bangalore, India

Vayana Network

- Implementing a scalable data architecture solution on AWS for the company, including a data lake and data warehouse to store and process large volumes of data efficiently.
- Providing analytical support to business growth and strategy by conducting in-depth data analysis and modeling to identify key trends, patterns, and insights, enabling informed decision-making and driving organizational success.

Data Science Intern Nov 2021 – Mar 2022

Ageless Partners

• Formulated a comprehensive road map for the development of a fitness recommendation system based on wearable devices and led the team toward implementing the first milestone.

• Provided data analysis and visualization support to the research team to make their de-aging investigation more analytical and data-driven.

Web Developer
Jun 2020 – Sep 2020

Remote

• Redesigned and remodeled the platform's website on WIX increasing the user traffic by up to 20 %.

 Optimized the website's load time and increased its SEO performance by 30 % through media optimization and extensive keyword tagging.

# RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Capstone Project, Ashoka University

# **Privacy Preserving Neural Networks**

Mentors: Prof. Mahavir Jhawar & Prof. Debayan Gupta

Aug 2021 – Dec 2021

Sonipat, India

- Researched and explored various methods and techniques for securely and efficiently training neural networks in multi-party settings (MPC).
- Thoroughly analysed and implemented( in C++) the SecureNN paper as my Capstone Project. [Presentation | Report | Code]

Research Intern May 2021- Aug 2021

Mphasis Lab, Ashoka University

Sonipat, India

- Mentor: Prof. Mahavir Jhawar
- Successfully studied and implemented (in C++) different PPML (Privacy Preserving Machine Learning) protocols such as SecureML and BLAZE highlighting their merits and demerits. [Details | Code]
- Brainstormed and evaluated ideas for developing faster and more secure PPML protocols tailored to meet business requirements (under development).

## **Secure Machine Learning**

Jan 2021 – May 2021

Sonipat, India

- Mentor: Prof. Debayan Gupta
- Investigated the security aspects of different ML algorithms such as One Shot Learning using NumPy and scikit-learn.
- Demonstrated the attacks in the *Subpopulation Data Poisoning Attacks* paper to better understand the impact of Data Poisoning Attacks on machine learning models. [*Presentation* | *Code*]

#### **Applied Cryptography**

Jan 2021 – May 2021

Independent Study Module, Ashoka University

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- · Mentor: Prof. Mahavir Jhawar
- Examined and evaluated the security vulnerabilities present in email clients that support the two primary forms of end-to-end email encryption: OpenPGP and S/MIME
- Illustrated the attacks on various email clients outlined in the *Mailto: Me Your Secrets* paper and suggested countermeasures against them. [Report | Code]

## **KEY PROJECTS**

#### Headline Generation via Abstractive Text Summarization

Spring 2021

- Mentor: Prof. Lipika Dev
- Explored various text summarization techniques, with a particular emphasis on Transformer-based models, to identify optimal solutions for generating brief and informative summaries.
- Fine-tuned Google's **Pegasus** model with 568 million parameters using *PyTorch* to generate concise headlines from summaries of local news articles. [Presentation | Code]

## **Synthesizing DFAs**

- Mentor: Prof. Mahavir Jhawar
- Thoroughly examined and analyzed the backpropagation algorithm used to calculate gradients in recurrent neural networks.
- Implemented an RNN-based model in *Python* to automate the process of synthesizing DFAs. [*Presentation* | *Code*]

# **Age & Gender Detection**

Monsoon 2020

- · Mentor: Prof. Ravi Kothari
- Evaluated the strengths and weaknesses of different ML algorithms and techniques for correct classification of human faces.
- Developed industry-level CNNs using Keras to identify the age and gender of human facial images. [Report | Code]

#### TECHNICAL SKILLS

Python, C/C++, JavaScript, HTML5/CSS, LTEX R, SQL, MongoDB, Pandas, PySpark Languages **Data Analysis** Modeling TensorFlow, PyTorch, scikit-learn, Numpy Django, React JS, Vue JS, Git Software Dev. Other Tools AWS, Plotly & Dash, Linux, Selenium

### TEACHING EXPERIENCE

#### **Undergraduate Teaching Assistant**

Multiple Semesters

Sonipat, India

- Computer Science Department, Ashoka University • Discrete Mathematics (CS - 1104), Spring 2021, Prof. Subash Bhalla, Class Size: 100
  - Tasks: holding weekly office hours, setting and grading assignments and test papers, and facilitating online lectures.
- Probability & Statistics (CS 1208), Monsoon 2020, Prof. Mahavir Jhawar, Class Size: 80 Tasks: holding weekly office hours, grading assignments and test papers, and facilitating online lectures.

#### **STEM Facilitator**

Jun 2019 - Jul 2019

Maa Anandmayee School

Dehradun, India

- Helped the school build a STEM lab partnering with MakersBox Delhi through equipment selection, procurement, and setup.
- · Taught students about the latest technologies and inquiry in STEM education like Robotics, Lego, IoT, VR, etc. through handson projects.

**Private Tutor** Aug 2017 - Jul 2018

Next Education Academy

Kathmandu, Nepal

- Tutored high school students in various A-level subjects, including Physics, Chemistry, and Mathematics.
- Assisted in scheduling and facilitating the academy's tutoring classes.

#### **LEADERSHIP & ACTIVITIES**

Resident Assistant, Office of Student Affairs	2021 – 2022
Peer Mentor, Office of Learning Support	2020 – 2021
IT Team, Ashoka University Election Commission (AUEC)	Feb 2020
Event Organizer, Ashoka University International Student Association (AUISA)	2018 – 2020
Ashoka Volleyball Team	2018 – 2020
Awards & Scholarships	
Full Scholarship on Tuition and Residence, Ashoka University	2018 - 2022
Merit Scholarship on Tuition and Residence, Budhanilkantha School	2016 – 2017
Baniya Excellence Award for Academic Achievement, Budhanilkantha School	2015
NP Sharma Excellence Award for Academic Achievement, Budhanilkantha School	2015

Spring 2022