

# Naveen Morla

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## WORK EXPERIENCE

### Data Scientist / Software Engineer

Jan 2024 – Present

*THK Manufacturing of America, Inc.*

- Developed and optimized high-frequency trading models using **FastAPI** for rapid data ingestion and processing of market data, enhancing lead time forecasting and inventory management. Implemented advanced caching strategies to minimize latency.
- Engineered features from raw financial data using **Polars** and **PySpark** for accelerated data processing, ensuring efficient handling of large market datasets, and improved model accuracy by 15%.
- Architected and managed containerized **microservices** with **Kubernetes** and **Docker** for scalable big data processing pipelines, implementing **MLOps** practices to streamline the deployment and monitoring of machine learning models in a real-time trading environment.
- Employed **SQL** for complex backend data management and querying of historical market data, integrated **Git** version control, and established **CI/CD** pipelines for streamlined code management, automated testing, and continuous deployment of trading algorithms.
- Utilized **Tableau** for creating visualizations to analyze trading performance and identify areas for optimization. Developed responsive frontend interfaces with **React** and **JavaScript** to enhance user experience and data visualization related to trading strategies.

### Data Scientist

May 2019 – Apr 2021

*Pago Analytics, India*

- Designed and implemented resume parsing techniques using **Python** and deep learning libraries to build a Talent Acquisition Management System (TAMS). Integrated **AI** features, resulting in a 30% improvement in hiring efficiency.
- Engineered and deployed an automated hiring process using **AWS Sagemaker**. Collected and labeled 10,000+ resumes for training data, and utilized libraries like **NLTK**, **NLP**, and **Spacy** to analyze data and improve matching accuracy.
- Normalized **SQL** databases, enhancing data handling and system performance by 2X. Collaborated with cross-functional teams throughout the development and deployment process, adhering to **Agile** methodologies.
- Applied analytical skills and creativity in data mining and defining critical **KPIs/metrics**. Communicated insights to stakeholders using **Power BI**. Participated in code reviews and fostered stakeholder relationships.

## PERSONAL PROJECTS

### High-Frequency Trading Strategy Backtester

- Developed a backtesting framework in **Python** for evaluating high-frequency trading strategies, incorporating real-time market data simulation and transaction cost modeling.
- Implemented reinforcement learning algorithms (**Q-learning**, **SARSA**) to optimize trade execution parameters and maximize profitability under varying market conditions.

### Real-Time Market Sentiment Analyzer

- Built a real-time market sentiment analyzer using **LangChain** and Gemini 2.0 Flash-Lite to process news articles and social media data for predicting short-term price movements.
- Utilized **BeautifulSoup** for web scraping and natural language processing techniques to extract relevant information and quantify market sentiment with high accuracy.

## SKILLS

**Languages:** Python, R, SQL, C++.

**Data Science:** Time Series Analysis, Econometrics, Financial Modeling, Algorithmic Trading, Machine Learning, Deep Learning, Reinforcement Learning, Big Data, MLOps, A/B testing, Feature Engineering.

**Packages/Tools:** Scikit-Learn, NumPy, SciPy, Pandas, LangChain, Keras, TensorFlow, PyTorch, PySpark, GIT, FAST API, Cloud Computing, Hugging Face Transformers, Bloomberg Terminal, Refinitiv Eikon.

**Databases:** MySQL, PostgreSQL, TimescaleDB, InfluxDB.

**Statistics/ML:** Statistical Analysis, Predictive Analytics, Statistical Modelling, Linear/Logistic Regression, Time Series Forecasting (ARIMA, LSTM), Volatility Modeling (GARCH), Anomaly Detection, Risk Management.

## EDUCATION

### BOWLING GREEN STATE UNIVERSITY, OHIO

Aug 2021 – May 2023

*M.S in Data Science*

- Capstone Research Project: Graph Neural Network-Based Anomaly Detection in Multivariate Time Series Sensor Data.

## CERTIFICATIONS

- **Coursera:** Python and Machine Learning, Data Analytics.
- **Udemy:** Tableau, PowerBI.
- **Data Camp:** Introduction to R programming and statistics in spreadsheets and Excel.