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Education

M.S. in Computer Science

Aug 2023 - May 2025 (Expected)

George Mason University, Fairfax, VA

GPA: 3.8

Relevant Coursework: Software Engineering, Component-Based Software Development, DevOps Practices, Database Systems, Natural Language Processing, Data Mining, Analysis of Algorithms

B.Tech. in Electronics and Communication Engineering

Aug 2017 - Apr 2021

SRM Institute of Science and Technology, Tamil Nadu, India

GPA: 3.5

Relevant Coursework: Algorithms, Data Structures, Database Management Systems, Computer Networks

Technical Skills

Programming Languages: Java, Python, C, C++, JavaScript, TypeScript

Web technologies & Frameworks: HTML, CSS, SpringBoot, Spring MVC, Microservices, Node.js, React, Angular

Machine Learning: TensorFlow, PyTorch, OpenCV, Scikit-Learn

Data Processing and Analysis: Apache Spark, Apache Hive, Apache Hadoop, Apache Kafka, NumPy, pandas, SciPy

Cloud Computing and DevOps: Amazon Web Services (AWS), Google Cloud Services (GCS), Kubernetes, Docker, Jenkins, Kubernetes, Ansible, Terraform

Tools, Software and OS: Android Studio, Git, Tableau, Postman, VS Code, IntelliJ, Eclipse, Linux, Windows

Databases: MySQL, Oracle, Postgres, SSMS, MongoDB

Professional Experience

Modak Analytics | Hyderabad, India

July 2021 - July 2023

Role Software Development Engineer

Client Humana Inc

- Engineered, designed, and implemented robust automated ETL processes using Python and Java to streamline data ingestion, transformation, and hydration across diverse data sources including SSMS, MySQL, Big Query, GCS, and Oracle. Delivered seamless data delivery to destinations like HDFS, ADLS, and Google Cloud Platform (GCP), reducing pipeline latency by 20%.
- Optimized complex data pipelines, improving performance and scalability to handle 50% larger data volumes. Utilized industrystandard file formats such as Parquet, Avro, and CSV for efficient storage and retrieval in big data environments.
- Contributed significantly to the development of advanced data analytics dashboards, utilizing tools like Tableau and Python to enable dynamic reporting and actionable insights.
- Enhanced existing codebase to comply with **Greenlight API (GLAPI)** benchmarks, significantly improving **CI/CD pipeline efficiency by 15%** and reducing deployment times using **Azure DevOps**.
- Developed and automated Python scripts to manage the unzipping and secure transfer data to Google Cloud Storage (GCS), ensuring reliable daily execution through scheduled Cron jobs.
- Developed a scalable Python-based Google Cloud Function, triggered by Pub/Sub messages, capable of processing millions of CSV entries from fragmented files. Achieved 40% faster file processing and consolidated data into comprehensive files uploaded to GCS buckets.
- Designed and implemented logging scripts to maintain comprehensive records of the Humana data engineering platform's operations, enhancing monitoring and troubleshooting capabilities.
- Contributed to **web application development** for hosting the **Nabu product**, delivering tailored solutions to Humana that met their business and operational requirements.

Academic Projects

Dynamic Web Application for User Data Processing

- Developed a **scalable web application** with feedback form pages that processed and stored user data in **MySQL**, **Oracle**, **MongoDB**, **and PostgreSQL** based on user preference.
- Built with Spring Boot, Node.is, and React, using AWS for hosting and Terraform for infrastructure management.
- Implemented a Jenkins CI/CD pipeline for automated testing and deployment, with Kafka for real-time data streaming.
- Ensured seamless deployment and data management across environments, aligning with business goals and data privacy standards.

PatriotPilot: Virtual GMU Guide

- Designed and developed a **chatbot** that provides quick and accurate information about George Mason University's resources using **Retrieval-Augmented Generation (RAG)**.
- Integrated **NLP techniques** with **FAISS** for efficient context retrieval and **Qwen-2.5-14B-Instruct** for response generation, ensuring highly relevant answers to user queries.
- Implemented **dynamic preprocessing** and overlapping chunk-based retrieval to handle the complex structure of university data, **improving retrieval accuracy by 20%**.
- Recognized as the **best project in class**, showcasing innovative solutions for university-level query answering systems.