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EDUCATION

July 2015 - Dec 2019 B.Tech. (Bachelor's of Electronics and Instrumentation) from **Birla Institute of Technology and Science, Pilani, Hyderabad Campus, India** (GPA: 7.15/10.0)


Coursework : Data Structures and Algorithms, Neural Networks and Fuzzy Logic, Discrete Math for CS, Digital Image Processing
Self Taught Courses: Database Management Systems, Operating Systems, Number Theory: Project Euler
Office Courses : Deep Learning: Advanced NLP and CNNs, RNNs, LSTMs and GRUs, Bayesian Machine Learning in Python: A/B Testing, Cryptography and Hashing Fundamentals in Python, Build your own Proof of Stake Blockchain, Recommender Systems and Deep Learning in Python
Udemy : Deep Learning Prerequisites: Linear Logistic Regression in Python, Data Science: Supervised Machine Learning in Python, Cluster Analysis and Unsupervised Machine Learning in Python, Data Science: Deep Learning and Neural Networks in Python, Modern Deep Learning in Python, Machine Learning and AI: Support Vector Machines in Python, Ensemble Machine Learning in Python: Random Forest, AdaBoost, Data Science: Natural Language Processing(NLP) in Python, Machine Learning: Natural Language Processing in Python(V2), Natural Language Processing with Deep Learning in Python, Unsupervised Deep Learning in Python, Deep Learning: Advanced Computer Vision(GANs, SSD + More!) [Certificate Link and Relevant BITS Course Link](#)


TECHNICAL SKILLS

- **Languages** Python, C++, JavaScript, SQL, CSS, HTML, Object Oriented Programming
- **Databases** PostgreSQL, MongoDB, Cloud Firestore, Firebase
- **Machine Learning** Scikit-learn, Pandas, Numpy, Keras, Tensorflow, Pytorch, SciPy, NLTK, matplotlib, seaborn, Probability and Statistics
- **Tools and Frameworks** Jupyter Notebook, Flask, Django, pySpark, Git, Jira, Confluence, Dash.

EXPERIENCE



Standard Chartered Bank GBS - Data Analyst, Associate Projects (Data Science)  Aug 2020 - present



- Helped automate manual data extraction processes by doing **Keyword extraction of e product documents**(client ids, and other confidential details) using **python and regex**. This work improved SLA for the agreed deliverables from **1 day** to **1 minute** per document.
- Detected **fraudulent activities** related to similar topics by building a LDA topic model as well as GNNs on **Finance** dataset related to **credit card(kaggle)** using **python and gensim**. Built functions at the hackathon by SCB. (Another approach using BERTopic can be done as well.)
- **Ner Explainability Creation** | **Python, sklearn, pandas, numpy, plotly**
 - Researched on methods to detect explainability of an existing system at word level accuracy of 80%.
 - Implemented NLP pipeline for a ML based NER explainer search engine. Worked on text preprocessing functions and integrated them in pipeline to prepare input for a machine learning model during training as well as prediction.
 - Deployed local level explainability on trained SKLEARN CRFSUITE model using dash app on localhost interface to handling and improving query classwise visualization response for a single sentence accurately.
 - Created Champion Challenger and added NER pipeline for existing developed pipelines by comparing champion log files and challenger log files for all of the best selected metrics for ML with regression and classification, Object detection with/without classification and Text Prediction models using python. Reduced overall time complexity to consider Million points(scalable). Further selected best metrics for Object detection pipelines.
 - Communicated and presented insights clearly and compellingly to senior leadership of the organization
- **Image duplicate prediction (Banking)** | **Python, pandas, numpy, tensorflow(imagededup), pytorch(detecto), opencv** 
 - Developed analytical and ML models to assist other insider client team in identifying the right duplicates and influential missing documents for various banking pdfs to improve the overall duplicate detection of barcodes, seals and other important contents of the TradeLC Docs by atleast 80%.
 - Built ML models to get probability of bounding box detection of barcodes, watermark seals, handwritten signatures (Used Structural Similarity Index (SSIM) score on top of cosine similarity score before comparison of two images) Projected the bounding box to dataset and retransformed the data to clients. Achieved 85% Accuracy score using transfer learning of faster rcnn mobilenet models on neural nets.
 - Worked on data visualization, report creation of analytical models to support our hypothesis and for client presentation.
 - Selected best metrics for object detection with or without classification and deployed same into production in champion challenger pipeline.

Munshig Private Ltd  July 2018 - Dec 2018

- **Backend Developer Intern**
 - Built an automated monitoring system to transfer one project to another over time on NoSQL cloud firestore db.
 - Used webscraping to scrape kirana datasets of sites like justdial.com over multiple metric definitions and org-ids to increase scalability of our own product by 150 times.
 - Developed code to extract all the friends of user on facebook and learnt the use of recursion to support daily runs on production of barcodes by reducing the time complexity using memoization technique and created **tkinter responsive app** for the same that uses the concept of **multithreading**.





PROJECTS



- **Text Robustness app** | **Python, Flask, Spacy**  Office private project
 - Developed a flask app to visualize model predictions and flipped classes based on synonym replacement, insertion and deletion of tense words of banking words present in a general spacy dictionary to check the robustness of model to any such attacks.
- **NER/POS Tagging Web Application** | **Python, Spacy, numpy, pandas, Flask, Dash, HTML/CSS, JS**  Office Private Project
 - Used Spacy models to tag all words of paragraph of a text column in csv datasets to their Named Entity or Part of Speech.
 - Automated an web interface using Flask API to interact with the model and finally deployed app.
- **Automated Topic Modelling App using BERT** | **Python, BERTopic, Dash** [Youtube Link to Demo](#)
 - Developed an dash app for a topic modelling visualization of the text column in pandas dataframe in the context of unsupervised learning(can include supervised case as well).
- **Avengers Face Detector Deployed App** | **Python, Sklearn, dlib, face-recognition** [Link to Demo](#)
 - Implemented avengers face detection app in Python using machine learning with encoded feature vector generation of training dataset, deployed at huggingface and reduced the response time to 10 ms and finally achieved 95% accuracy.
 - Same idea can be scaled to detect a thousands of faces by optimizing the code using numpy vectorization techniques.

ACHIEVEMENTS



- max 3* rating on codechef,  [Link](#).
- max 1368 rating on codeforces,  [Link](#).
- created a 3 layer artificial neural network from scratch as a part of research paper provided to me in coding assignment from the knowledge gained from udemy courses and gained 96% accuracy for benchmarks like iris dataset.(code can be run for mnist dataset as well),  [Link](#).
- converted Matlab to Python code for all of the ML algorithms from scratch as a part of BITS Course NNFL in various coding assignments from the knowledge gained from udemy courses and gained 81%-96% accuracy for assigned datasets.(included stacked autoencoders with backprop),  [Link](#).