

# Pranav Agarwal

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## EDUCATION:

University of California, Irvine (UCI) | Irvine, CA

Sep 2023 - Dec 2024

**Master of Data Science** | GPA: 3.9

- Machine Learning; Artificial Intelligence; Bayesian Inference; Statistics; Deep learning, mathematics

Vellore Institute of Technology, Vellore | Vellore, India

Jul 2017 - Jun 2021

**Bachelor of Technology, Computer Science and Engineering** | GPA: 9.06

- Data Structures; Database Management; Natural Language Processing; Programming, Computer vision

## SKILLS, CERTIFICATIONS and ACHIEVEMENTS:

- Python; C++; R; SQL; AWS; Docker; Kubernetes; PyTorch; Tensorflow; Spacy; Tableau; LLM; HuggingFace; Langchain; OpenCV; Seaborn; MilvusDB; Neo4J; Seurat; Pandas; Keras; Numpy, regression, DNS, DevOps
- AWS - solutions architect associate
- Applied Machine Learning in Python, University of Michigan – [Coursera](#).
- Open-source contributor of Mozilla - [github](#).
- Student ambassador of the Master of Data Science program - represent UCI ICS and MDS in conferences, talks and events.

## WORK EXPERIENCE:

**Machine Learning Infrastructure intern** | Safran

Jul 2024 - Present

- Accelerated development time by 30%** by collaborating in the design and development of cloud-based data applications, specializing in **machine learning models** for **predictive health management systems** in **aerospace equipment**.
- Increased prediction accuracy by 25% and reduced downtime by 20%** by engineering and integrating software solutions to enhance **prototype systems**, verifying their **functional performance** and optimizing **predictive algorithms** to **forecast equipment health** within an **IoT** framework on AWS using **Sagemaker** and **Amazon ECR**.
- Improved system reliability by 40%** by working within a dynamic, **cross-functional** team to merge various technologies, ensuring the deployment of **cloud-hosted machine learning solutions** tailored for **real-time health monitoring**.

**Machine Learning Student Researcher** | UCI AI Center

Jun 2024 - Present

- Improved model evaluation efficiency by 50%** by executing a comprehensive evaluation in **Dr. Jana Lipkova's OctoPath** lab of patch-level and **whole-slide models** (ResNet50, UNI, CONCH, REMEDIS, HIPT) for survival prediction using datasets from **TCGA**, **CPTAC**, and private cohorts.
- Increased model generalization accuracy by 15%** by analyzing model performance and generalization to external data - targeting **brain and lung cancers**, delivering insights into the effectiveness of foundational models in **clinical survival prediction**.

**Natural Language Student Researcher** | UCI INCHES Lab

May 2024 - Present

- Reduced manual work of 2 weeks to 1 day** by engineering a program in the **UCI INCHES Lab** with **Dr. Angela Lukowski** using Python and **spaCy** to automatically **parse narrative data** into propositional phrases.
- Enhanced the efficiency by 70%** of analyzing **event memory studies** by implementing flexible rules to accommodate varied subjects and verbs within the narratives, ensuring the program's adaptability to different datasets.

**Cloud Engineer** | Airbus

Jul 2021 - Aug 2023

- Facilitated the migration of 65%** of departments from **on-premises** to **cloud infrastructure** via collaboration within a 10-member team to deliver secure and scalable cloud services on **AWS**,
- Reduced monthly security alerts by 20%** by employing **analytical Bayesian methodologies** to detect and address potential security threats, ensuring **data integrity**.
- Achieved annual cost savings of \$70,000** by integrating a **recommendation engine** into production, utilizing historical usage patterns to optimize menu offerings.
- Engineered a comprehensive **dashboard** via **Amazon QuickSight**, synthesizing user data metrics to furnish actionable insights for informed decision-making, project management and strategic planning.

**NLP Software Engineer Intern** | Novartis

Jan 2021 - Jun 2021

- Cut yearly expenses by \$1 million** by engineering a **chatbot** via **natural language processing** and **Azure Bot Framework**.
- Reduced customer service response time by 1.7 hours and achieved 30% surge in chatbot usage** via implementation of a **chatbot analyzer** capable of identifying areas of low performance and providing actionable insights for enhancement.
- Increased positive feedback by 25%** by performing **A/B testing** on intents via feedback and incorporated them into language model.

## PROJECTS:

**Forest Fire Detection Using Classifiers and Transfer Learning** | [github](#) | [IEEE](#)

- Engineered a **Machine Learning model** for forest fire detection, mitigating the inefficiencies of traditional hardware devices.
- Applied **transfer learning** from pre-trained models like **Inception** and **VGG19** to extract image features.
- Incorporated ML classifiers such as **SVMs**, **KNN**, **Naïve Bayes** for the prediction, enhancing detection accuracy and response times.

**Duplicate Detection in Job Postings using NLP and Milvus** | [github](#)

- Implemented **Sentence Transformers** to generate **embeddings** from job descriptions, enhancing duplicate detection capabilities by capturing **semantic similarity** and context-aware representations.
- Configured and deployed a Milvus instance, executed vector indexing, and developed a **cosine similarity-based search method** to identify duplicate job postings. Assessed effectiveness using **precision, recall, and F1** score metrics, optimizing similarity thresholds.

**Bombay Stock Exchange Equity Analysis** | [github](#)

- Created a Python web application to monitor daily Bombay Stock Exchange prices by data scraping, data cleaning and offering **insightful stock performance analytics** via data visualization techniques.
- Facilitated seamless integration with machine learning algorithms for **advanced predictive analysis**