RAMASWAMY IYAPPAN

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SKILLS

Languages: Python, SQL, Git, Javascript, Java, Linux

Frameworks & Libraries: PyTorch, TensorFlow, Scikit-Learn, Numpy, Pandas Data Platforms & Tools: PostgreSQL, Snowflake, Tableau, VSCode, MS Excel

DevOps: AWS, CI/CD, Kubernetes, Docker

Concepts: Deep Neural Networks, Data cleaning, EDA, Database & Data Warehousing, Cloud Computing Certifications: IBM Data Science Professional, Google Data Analytics Professional, AWS Certified Developer

Associate, Solutions Architect Associate & Cloud Practitioner

EDUCATION

George Mason University

Jan 2022 - Dec 2023

Master of Science in Computer Science

Fairfax, VA

• Relevant Coursework: Data Mining, Machine Learning, Advanced NLP, Analysis of Algorithms, DevOps, Linear Algebra, Statistics and Probability, Web Development.

Vels University

Aug 2016 - May 2020

Bachelor of Science in Computer Science

Chennai, India

• Relevant Coursework: Data Structures, Software Design, Object Oriented Programming, Differential Calculus.

Experience

Graduate Teaching Assistant

Aug 2023 - Dec 2023

George Mason University

Fairfax, VA

• Instructed & facilitated the Principles of Computing course, conducted weekly office hours, assessed assignments, and provided personalized support to over 60 students for enhanced performance.

Projects

Credit Card Fraud detection | Python, Pytorch, Tableau, Ensemble modeling

Mar 2023

- Preprocessed unstructured data through **EDA**, resulting in a 20% improvement in model performance.
- Identified and addressed class imbalance issue, leading to a 95% increase in minority class detection.
- Implemented RandomForest ensemble learning, achieving an AUC-PR of 0.88, which translates to a significant improvement in fraud detection rate.

MNIST Digits Classification | Python, TensorFlow, PyTorch, Deep learning

Dec 2022

- Achieved state-of-the-art accuracy (98%) on the MNIST handwritten digits dataset using **Neural Networks**.
- Reduced validation loss by 16% through mini-batch training and hyperparameter tuning.

Hand-written digits Prediction | Python, PCA, t-SNE, Dimensionality Reduction

Nov 2022

- Built a K-Means clustering model with t-SNE visualization, achieving an accuracy of 0.86.
- Analyzed high-dimensional digit features and reduced them by 65% using PCA & t-SNE techniques.

Heart-Disease Prediction | Python, Feature Scaling, Supervised Learning

Apr 2022

- Developed Logistic Regression model using Gradient Descent to predict heart-disease risk.
- Addressed overfitting through L1/L2 regularization, leading to an 8% accuracy improvement and a better bias-variance trade-off.

Survey-form Web Application | Angular, Springboot, Javascript, jQuery, Kubernetes, AWS

Feb 2022

- Built and deployed a microservices-based survey application using CI/CD pipeline (Jenkins & Docker) on AWS.
- Reduced deployment time by 40%, enabling faster feature releases and better user experience.

Leadership and Awards

Marketing Employee of the Year. Mason Recreation

Jun 2022 - May 2023

NCC Cadet Award, Cleared 3 Rifle rounds

Sep 2013

Manager On Duty, Mason Recreation

Piano/Music Instructor (6+ yrs)