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OBJECTIVE: An expert problem solver with over 5 years' experience leading teams across three countries. In addition to my experience, I can provide your company with value by leveraging my newly acquired data science skills.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

- Tools & Languages Python, PostgreSQL, BigQuerry, R, AWS (SageMaker, Rekognition), GCP
- Packages NumPy, Pandas, PySpark, Scikit-Learn, Git, Jupyter, Keras, Tensorflow
- Data Visualization Power BI, Tableau, Matplotlib
- Machine Learning Classical Machine Learning, Deep Learning, Computer Vision, Pattern Recognition
- Statistical Modelling IBM SPSS, Clustering, ANOVA, Logistic Regression, A/B Testing

Work Experience

Present Jun 2022

Data Science Intern - Safety Products, Johnson Controls

- Developed a project to correlate alternative GeoSpatial data (such as Property Crime Index, Demographics, etc.) with traditional data points in order to generate ZIP code correlation heat maps that identify growth opportunities at the grass-roots GeoSpatial level to increase sales opportunities by 7%. The location-based alternative data was imported using web scraping and the traditional data was imported via PostgreSQL from Google BigQuery. Data was visualized and reports were generated using Power BI. By initiating another project to optimize mobile views for Power BI reports, the number of unique views per day increased by 113%.
- Prototyped a model to create floor-plans of your living space using a smartphone camera. PointNet was used to consume a 3D point cloud along with a parallel CNN branch to map the 2D point density of the data from the top view. Around 90% of living spaces in North America don't have floor plans. If floor plans are automatically reconstructed by walking through the apartment, it can have a huge effect on businesses related to housing.

SEP 2021 Jul 2016

Sr. Systems Engineer - Building Solutions, Johnson Controls

- Engineered and designed control systems to optimize energy efficiency and HVAC performance after
 analyzing data from building sensors. Strategized control sequences and architected network design for
 the entire building automation control systems leading to 10%-30% reduction in energy consumption
 of Commercial Buildings.
- As a result of client communication (measured by appreciation emails from clients and 100 percent response to client emails within 24 hours), we recorded 100% client retention and a 137% increase in client re-orders.
- Received "Merit Award" (second most prestigious award globally for Johnson Controls employee) for going out of the way in developing innovative proof of concepts leading to a pending patent.
- Designated as the **Innovation Lead** in 2019 for Eastern Part of North America to drive innovation ideation process among the front line workers such as field technicians.
- Volunteered to enroll and successfully completed a Cyber Security training course with a 91% grade.

Major Key Projects:

- Empire State Building: Implemented control strategies and optimizations for several floors of the Empire State Building. More than 40 million dollars were saved through the Controls efficiency projects.
- Lincoln Medical Center, Bronx, New York: Lincoln Medical Center is one of America's busiest trauma hospitals. During the peak COVID mitigation phase in New York successfully designed, implemented and managed the retrofit of several rooms into COVID isolation rooms and automated space pressurization and temperature control under grueling deadlines and critical conditions.

EDUCATION

DEC 2022	Master of Engineering - Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning	GPA: 3.93
Sep 2021	Systems Design Engineering Department	
	University of Waterloo, Waterloo, Ontario	
May 2016	Bachelor of Technology - Electronics and Instrumentation	GPA: 3.62
Jul 2012	School of Electrical Engineering	
	VIT University, Vellore, TN - India	

TECHNICAL PROJECTS

Sep	2022

American Sign Language Recogition - Github Link

- Jan 2022
- The American Sign Language dataset was treated with a combination of Machine Learning (Logistic Regression, SVM and Random Forest classifiers) and Deep Learning classifiers. The complexity and compressibility of the data were evaluated using several dimension reduction techniques.
- In comparison to current technology, our ASL fingerspelling education app increased effective learning metrics 2-3 times. By incorporating the ASL fingerspelling detection feature in the backend we were able to provide feedback on the correctness of fingerspelling signed by the user.

Jul 2018 Jan 2017

Building Traffic Characterization using Building Data - Personal Project

• Hypothesized a model to predict customer influx in a retail store using BAS data. Chiller Plant Optimization (CPO-10, CPO-30) on the output of this predictor leads to a potential 10% reduction of overall operating cost of the store in terms of energy savings from the HVAC equipment.

Additional Roles and Achievments

- Winner of International Medical Hackathon: Organized by CAMtech (Massachusetts General Hospital) in Mbarara, Uganda. During our team's visit to the hospitals in Uganda, as part of a hackathon to develop affordable medical technologies for developing countries, we observed that lack of operational suction devices caused many fatalities every day in the entire country. To battle this unfortunate situation, we built a gravity-operated, non-electric suction device to replace traditional suction pumps in the hospitals where electricity is not reliable. On full deployment, this working prototype could potentially prevent around 20-25 fatalities daily.
- Top 10 Data Challenge Hackathon: The problem statement focused on computer vision. A Fish-Eye industrial CCTV video was given to us. Using AI and computer vision, we analyzed the video file frame by frame to identify human occupancy within specific regions of interest (ROIs). Objects (humans, forklifts, machines) in the ROI were filtered out to reduce the data size. Pre-trained models like ResNet do not use Fish-Eye images to train the layers. We trained different ensemble models for the different ROIs to account for distortion, increasing our accuracy over training a single model.
- 3rd Rank Paper Presentation, IdeaSpark-2015, IIT Madras: Making medical technology accessible for rural Indians was the theme of the paper presentations. Our idea was to automate PAP smear test protocols to reduce pathologists' workload by three times. Our system generated a repeatable and inexpensive risk score by combining computer vision with process automation.
- Teaching Assistant SYDE600 Prof. John Zelek: Facilitated students with the SPRINT protocol for Engineering System Design methods applying the principles of engineering problem solving, research methods, systems analysis including modeling, simulation, optimization and design.
- President department Graduate Student Association, uWaterloo: Provided leadership in spearheading a work plan to develop, execute and monitor various graduate students events to promote mental health during the difficult times of COVID. Pioneered re-Introduction of in-person symposiums after COVID shutdown for graduate students to network and share their works.

CERTIFICATIONS

- Data Analysis Using Pyspark (Click to verify)
- Introduction to TensorFlow for Artificial Intelligence, Machine Learning, and Deep Learning (Click to verify)
- Neural Networks and Deep Learning (Click to verify)
- SQL Basics in PostgreSQL (Click to verify)
- Industrial Automation Rockwell Automation

Courses Undertaken

- Advanced Image Processing SYDE671 University of Waterloo
- Pattern Recognition SYDE675 University of Waterloo
- Systems Design Graduate Workshop AI & ML SYDE660A University of Waterloo
- Foundations of Artificial Intelligence SYDE522 University of Waterloo
- Systems Theory, Models, Research & Design SYDE600 University of Waterloo
- Statistical Methods for Data Analytics MSCI718 University of Waterloo
- Data Analysis and Management BE602 University of Waterloo
- Project Management BE605 University of Waterloo