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PROFILE

Total 3+ years of experience in Data Science & Engineering. M. Tech in Artificial Intelligence & Machine Learning with Specialization done in Natural Language Processing

DISH Network Technologies

- Industry - Media & Telecommunication (**A fortune 200 Company, US Product based Company**)
- Roles/Hired as **Engineer**

Virtusa

- Industry - IT Services & IT Consulting (**MNC**)
- Roles/Hired as **Associate Engineer-Technology**

WORK HISTORY

Aug 2022 — Present

Engineer, Enterprise Data science team, DISH Network Technologies

Bangalore

Dish Enablement Forecasting Tool (DEFT)

- Conducted extensive data analysis and exploratory data analysis (EDA) on large demographic, viewership and subscriber datasets to identify trends and patterns enhancing marketing strategies.
- Predicted customer churn resulting in a significant reduction in customer attrition and improved revenue retention.
- Added new business features such as TV ON/OFF factor, 15s factor to already existing enablement forecasting jobs in production environment
- Worked with AWS RDS databases to extract and manipulate data, AWS lambda for efficient data processing and extraction

Platform Agnostic Forecasting tool (PAFT)

- Played a key role in the design and architecture of the data pipeline, ensuring a scalable, maintainable, and efficient framework that meets business requirements and technical standards
- Collected and integrated code from AWS Lambda functions, presented the code within Databricks notebooks, and implemented a streamlined pipeline for automated execution

Ratecard

- Performed model metrics calculation and conducted data drift analysis to ensure model accuracy and stability over time
- Conducted comprehensive benchmarking of model performance metrics to ensure accuracy and reliability in forecasting models

Adhoc works

- Created interactive data visualizations and dashboards in Azure Databricks to communicate findings effectively.
- Developed generic plugins in Dataiku DSS
- Proficient in monitoring job performances as part of ML Ops practices, ensuring continuous optimization and efficiency in data pipelines

May 2022 — Jul 2022

Associate Engineer-Technology, Data science team, Virtusa

Pune

- Performed Various sanity checks to the data and validated the data availability
- Contributed to data cleaning and preprocessing tasks to ensure data quality and integrity

Jan 2022 — Apr 2022

Intern, Virtusa

Online

- Utilized Agile project management techniques with Jira Software, managing backlog grooming, sprint planning, and release management
- Spearheaded a deep learning initiative to classify disaster tweets as real or false, leveraging diverse datasets encompassing various calamities and emergencies
- Applied advanced natural language processing techniques for data cleaning, feature extraction, and model training, utilizing state-of-the-art models such as BERT, ROBERTA, and ALBERT

SKILLS

- **Programming languages:** Python, SQL, Scala
- **Collaborative Platforms:** Azure Databricks, Dataiku DSS
- **Amazon Web Services:** Lambda, SNS, SQS, EC2, RDS, API Gateway
- **Algorithms:** Deep Learning, Machine Learning, NLP
- **CI/CD :** Git and Gitlab
- **Agile softwares:** Rally, Jira

CORE AREAS

- Predictive Modeling
- Descriptive Modeling
- Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA)
- Natural Language Processing (NLP)
- Regression: linear/ tree based
- Ensemble : random forest
- Classification: Logistic, Decision Trees
- Statistics: Hypothesis testing, ANOVA

HONORS & AWARDS

- Aug 2023, Dish Networks** Received commendation from the Onshore team's Product Manager for my remarkable professional development within the team, contributions, and exceptional proficiency in communication skills
- Jan 2024, Dish Networks** Recipient of spot award for exemplary technical capability and demonstrating adept problem-solving skills. Committed to continuous skill enhancement and contributing to team success

EDUCATION

- Oct 2023 — Oct 2025 (Expected)** **M. Tech, Birla Institute of Technology And Science**
Area – Artificial Intelligence & Machine Learning
Specialization – Natural Language Processing (NLP)
- May 2018 — May 2022** **B. Tech, Vasireddy Venkatadri Institute of Technology (affiliated to JNTUK)**
Specialization - Computer Science & Engineering (C.S.E)
CGPA - 7.85/10.0