

# Sarthak Kothari

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## EDUCATION

**Northeastern University, Boston, MA** Sept 2017 – Present  
College of Computer and Information Science  
Candidate of Master of Science in Data Science  
Expected Graduation – Dec 2019

*Relevant Courses:* Supervised & Unsupervised Machine Learning, Data Mining, Parallel Data Processing, Causality in Machine Learning

**K. J. Somaiya College of Engineering, Mumbai, India** Aug 2013 – Jun 2016  
Secured a Bachelor of Engineering in Computer Science with *Distinction*

## WORK EXPERIENCE

**Center for Complex Network Research - Northeastern University, Boston MA** Jun 2019 – Present  
*Data Science Research Assistant.*

- Developed high dimensional embeddings for more than 3 million authors and 1 million publications to quantify the impact of author's presence in a paper from a network graph of scientific publications.
- Engineered metapath2vec approach in tensorflow for generating the high dimensional embeddings.

**Staples Inc., Framingham, MA** Jan 2019 – Aug 2019  
*Data Science Intern – Operations.*

- Improved weekly demand forecasting by 23% for 550,000+ SKU's, by developing an ensemble of weak models.
- Visualizing delivery footprint for Staples operations to recognize key areas of interest with Python and D3.js.
- Built data pipelines to process more than 200,000+ weekly vendor invoice records through Python for reporting and visualizing shipment cost disparities.

**Fidelis Cybersecurity, Bethesda, MD** Jul 2018 – Aug 2018  
*Data Science Intern*

- Increased data retrieval efficiency by 40% via migrating to Neo4j, a graph database, from MongoDB and Spark with Python.
- Executed clustering analysis on malware alert data by harnessing the intelligence obtained through analyzing relationships between nodes in Neo4j.

**Hansa Cequity, Mumbai, India** Aug 2016 – Jun 2017  
*Associate Analyst*

- Modeled a logistic regression for lead scoring to rate a lead's likelihood of becoming a customer with an accuracy of 90%.
- Developed efficient data ingestion pipelines using SSIS for 100K+ records and build descriptive dashboards in SSRS enabling clients to evaluate product and campaign performance, boosting sales by 15%.

## ACADEMIC PROJECTS

**DeepDrug Repurposing, Northeastern University, Boston, MA** Sept 2019 – Present  

- Predicted the probability of interaction between drug molecule and target protein with WideDTA based neural network.
- Designed neural network using Keras and deployed as a web-based application with Flask, HTML and Python.

**De-confounding Movie Revenue, Northeastern University, Boston, MA** Jul 2019 – Aug 2019  

- Implemented a Probabilistic-PCA model to produce latent confounders that drive movie's revenue using Pyro.
- Estimated causal effect of actor on movie's revenue by conditioning on actors with latent confounders in Pyro and PyTorch.

**Bandit Algorithms in Advertising Recommendation, Northeastern University, Boston, MA** May 2019 – Aug 2019  

- Evaluated exploration-exploitation trade-offs using different classes of Bandit algorithms.
- Performed a comparative study between these algorithms by testing effects of hyperparameter on reward and regret for various Kaggle datasets, with UCB being the top performer.

**Matrix Multiplication in Distributed Environment, Northeastern University, Boston, MA** Nov 2018 – Dec 2018  

- Executed a comparative study between Cannon's vs Simple Block Partitioning for Distributed Matrix Multiplication algorithm.
- Implemented the algorithms in MapReduce & benchmarked them on AWS EMR cluster on matrices of different sizes, with Cannon's algorithm outperforming Simple Block Partitioning.

## TECHNICAL KNOWLEDGE

<b>Statistical Programming Languages</b>	: Python, R, Java, D3.js, etc.
<b>Machine Learning Skills</b>	: Linear & Logistic regression, Clustering, PCA, etc.
<b>Database tools &amp; technologies</b>	: Spark, Hadoop, Neo4j, MongoDB, SQL Server, MySQL, Postgres, Oracle
<b>Data Mining, ETL and Visualization Tools</b>	: Tableau, PowerBI, SSIS, SSRS, Telerik, Excel, etc.
<b>Python Packages &amp; API's</b>	: Numpy, Pandas, Scikit, SciPy, Tensorflow, Keras, BeautifulSoup etc.
<b>Tools, frameworks &amp; Cloud Technologies</b>	: AWS, Google Cloud Platform, Jupyter Notebook, RStudio, Eclipse, Git.