

# SHRIVATHS SHYAM

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## SKILLS

**Programming Languages:** Python, JavaScript, SQL, HTML/CSS, Java, C/C++

**Frameworks/OS/Tools:** Pandas, PyTorch, Jenkins, Git, AWS, MS SQL Server, Apache NiFi, Postman, FastAPI, ReactJS, PM2, NGinx, Bash, Windows, Linux

## EXPERIENCE

### NLitenData LLC

Aug 2024 – Present

AI Engineer

San Diego, CA, United States

- Designed and developed microservices for our product using Python (FastAPI) and Node.js.
- Implemented ETL pipelines using Apache NiFi to ingest data from external sources into AWS RDS (SQL Server).
- Designed optimized SQL database schemas for both application performance and analytical querying, improving data efficiency.
- Developed a FastAPI chatbot using GPT-4o API and the database schema to provide context-aware answers to user queries.
- Built a GPT-4o API based document parser using prompt engineering to extract key details for downstream processing.
- Performed end-to-end testing of product features and external API integrations using Postman, ensuring system robustness.
- Deployed the application on AWS EC2 using Git for version control, with NGINX and PM2 for service management and logging.
- Contributed to the product website design using Miro and developed front-end components with ReactJS, hosted on AWS Amplify.
- Developed predictive models (Logistic Regression, XGBoost) to analyze user engagement trends, informing product design decisions.
- Presented product demos to external clients for validation, effectively communicating value propositions to stakeholders.
- Led Scrum sprints from planning through deployment, managing feature development cycles and cross-functional collaboration.

### Talmo Lab, Salk Institute for Biological Studies

Jul 2023 – Jun 2024

Research Engineer

La Jolla, CA, United States

- Built new features for SLEAP, an object detection and pose estimation Python library with more than 100k downloads.
- Performed data preprocessing tasks such as frame extraction, normalization, and annotation cleaning using OpenCV and FFmpeg.
- Trained UNet and ResNet models with hyperparameter optimization to improve prediction accuracy and performance.
- Designed and implemented tracking algorithms, such as optical flow and Kalman tracking, to improve inference accuracy.
- Created modular API functions for tasks such as data preprocessing, pose estimation, and visual analytics.
- Built and deployed SLEAP as a Python package compatible with Linux, Windows, and MacOS using git and GitHub Actions for CI/CD.
- Resolved bugs and provided user support via GitHub issues.

### Cognizant Technology Solutions

Nov 2020 – May 2022

Programmer Analyst

Chennai, TN, India

- Implemented core business functionalities using Pega-PRPC, a business process management (BPM) tool, for Prudential Financial.
- Designed REST API flows and SQL-based logic to streamline data handling in case management systems.
- Developed and hosted full-stack web services using Java, JavaScript, and HTML/CSS via Apache server.
- Managed and oversaw the Continuous Integration/Continuous Deployment (CI/CD) pipeline using Jenkins.

## PROJECTS

### Fediblend - Fediverse Feed Amalgamator | HTML, CSS, JavaScript, Git, Agile | [Code]

Oct 2023 – Dec 2023

- Designed and developed a landing page that pulls trending posts from user-specified instances of the federated social media network.
- Improved the loading time of the page by 30% with parallelization of API calls.
- Implemented test functions in JavaScript with 95% code coverage which ensured that the webpage was robust.

### Multi Modal Recommender Systems for Rating Prediction | Pandas, Vaex, Plotly, PyTorch

Oct 2023 – Dec 2023

- Performed web scraping of Google Local Reviews data and executed data engineering tasks using Vaex.
- Utilized Plotly for data visualization and exploratory data analysis (EDA).
- Generated text embeddings with pre-trained BERT and image embeddings with pre-trained VGG16 as multi modal features.
- Developed an Explicit Feedback Recommender System using Deep and Cross Networks, achieving 0.59 MSE through ablation studies.

### Uber Data Analysis Using BigQuery | SQL, Google Cloud Storage, Mage-AI, Python

Jul 2023 - Aug 2023

- Designed and executed ETL pipelines to ingest and process Uber trip data using BigQuery and Mage-AI.
- Conducted exploratory data analysis (EDA) and built interactive dashboards for trip pattern analysis.
- Used SQL and Pandas to generate insights into ride demand and pricing trends.

### Efficient and Goal-Conditioned Learning in RL using TD-MPC | PyTorch, Python, Linux, Git | [Code]

Apr 2023 – Jun 2023

- Improved the performance of existing Temporal Difference-Model Predictive Control (TD-MPC) by using offline demos.
- Experimented with conditioned goal generation using a GAN and achieved faster goal completion with 25% lesser training steps (~150k steps) compared to fixed goal (~200k steps).

### Knowledge Distillation on Transformers | Python, PyTorch, Transformers

Apr 2023 – Jun 2023

- Performed fine-tuning of pre-trained BERT and GPT-2 models using textbrewer on SST-2 and CoLA datasets.
- Reduced the size of 12-layer teacher models by 50-80% while having accuracy drops of only 8-10% and performed comparative analysis on different sizes and their accuracies.

## EDUCATION

### University of California, San Diego

Sep 2022 – Jun 2024

MS ECE - Machine Learning and Data Science, GPA: 3.52/4

La Jolla, CA, United States

**Coursework:** Statistical Learning I, Linear Algebra, ML for Physical Applications, Deep Generative Models, Optimization and Acceleration of DL on Various Hardware platforms, Recommender Systems, Software Engineering, Data Systems for Machine Learning

### SSN College of Engineering, Anna University, Chennai

Jun 2016 – Apr 2020

BE - Electronics and Communication Engineering, GPA: 8.88/10

Chennai, TN, India