Samhitha Nuka

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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Data Science professional with a Master's degree from Indiana University and over two years of industry experience in machine learning, data engineering, and Al-powered solutions. Skilled in designing scalable ETL pipelines, developing serverless applications, and implementing realtime analytics across AWS, Azure Databricks, and Snowflake platforms. Certified in AWS Machine Learning, Databricks Data Engineering, and Google Data Analytics, with hands-on expertise in building LLM applications, cloud-based deployments, and data-driven research initiatives.

EDUCATION

MS in Data Science, Indiana University Bloomington GPA: 3.6/4

Aug 2023 – May 2025 | Bloomington, United States

SKILLS

Data Engineering: ETL/ELT (Databricks, Spark, Informatica), Data Warehousing (Snowflake, Redshift, BigQuery), Stream & Batch Processing (Kafka, Hadoop), NoSQL (MongoDB, Cassandra), Orchestration (Airflow), Machine Learning: Supervised and Unsupervised Learning Algorithms, Long Short term Memory (LSTM), NLP, CNN, LLM (GeminiPro, Gemma, Groq), Transformers, Random forest, K-mean Clustering, SVM., Generative AI & Agentic Systems: LLMs (Gemini, Gemma, Groq), Prompt Engineering, RAG, FAISS, LangChain, Agentic AI Workflows, Data Analysis & Visualization: Excel (Pivot Tables, Power Query, VLOOKUP), Tableau, Power BI, Looker Studio, Pandas, NumPy, Matplotlib, Seaborn, Programming: Python, SQL, R, Java, JavaScript, PHP, HTML, CSS, Bash

WORK EXPERIENCE

Indiana University Bloomington, *Graduate Research Assistant*

Jan 2025 – present | Bloomington, United States

- Built a Python pipeline to process and label over 10,000 time-series events, preparing data for classification based on temporal sequence patterns.
- Engineered 15+ statistical features (e.g., inter-event intervals, rolling variance, delta rates) and trained Random Forest, SVM, and Logistic Regression models, achieving 92% accuracy with 5-fold cross-validation and GridSearchCV.
- Modeled temporal trends using linear regression, yielding an average R² of 0.87 and identifying timing anomalies through residual analysis.
- Created 10+ visualizations with Matplotlib and Seaborn to explain model performance, feature contributions, and temporal behavior to nontechnical stakeholders.

Cognizant Technology Solutions, Junior Machine Learning Engineer

Aug 2021 – Jul 2023 | Chennai, India

- Catalyzed the integration of OpenText ECM with AWS SageMaker, creating 42+ RESTful APIs to automate data extraction and analysis, establishing a reusable integration standard.
- Enhanced legacy systems to support ML workflows, resulting in a 30% improvement in processing efficiency and a 40% boost in search index speed.
- Orchestrated serverless inference endpoints using API Gateway and Lambda, sustaining <100ms latency, 99.9% uptime, and handling **500+ concurrent requests daily** for reliable ML pipeline execution.
- Implemented real-time monitoring with Amazon CloudWatch and automated deployment with AWS CodePipeline, accelerating model release cycles and ensuring production-grade MLOps.

ACADEMIC PROJECTS

YOLOv7-Based Object Detection for Face Mask Compliance, YOLOv7 | Computer Vision | OpenCV | CNN | Tensorflow

- Fine-tuned YOLOv7 on a custom Kaggle face mask dataset annotated using CVAT, achieving ~84% mAP@0.5 and strong real-world detection accuracy.
- Optimized training pipeline with data augmentation, hyperparameter tuning, and performance tracking using TensorBoard.

End-to-End AI Application Suite for Multimodal Interaction, Streamlit | Gemini Pro/Flash | FAISS | Grog | LLM 🗵

- Developed a suite of 4 Al-powered web applications using Streamlit, enabling natural language Q&A, PDF analysis, image interpretation, and no-code SQL query generation with Gemini Pro/Flash and SQLite.
- Integrated Groq and Gemma for high-speed document processing with response times as low as 30-50 milliseconds, and leveraged FAISS to enable semantic search across 30+ documents with sub-second retrieval times.

NYC Crime Analytics Dashboard, Cloud-Based Public Data Pipeline, BigQuery | SQL | Looker Studio | ETL | Feature Engineering | GCP 🗵

- Built an end-to-end ETL pipeline to ingest and transform 7M+ NYC crime records using 12+ SQL-based feature engineering steps.
- Designed a 3-page interactive Looker Studio dashboard with 20+ visualizations to analyze crime trends by time, location, and demographics.

NIFTY - 50 Stock Market Prediction, LSTM | Financial Market Analysis | Time-Series Forecasting ☑

 Refined a predictive model using Long Short-Term Memory (LSTM) networks to forecast Nifty 50 stock movements within Automotive and Finance, with hyperparameter tuning achieving 95% accuracy, showcasing LSTM capabilities.

Credit Card Fraud Detection with PCA, SMOTE, and Ensemble Learning, PCA | SMOTE | XGBoost | Ensemble Learning 🗵

- Built fraud detection pipeline achieving 95.6% F1-score, using PCA and SMOTE on imbalanced datasets.
- Compared Random Forest, XGBoost, and Logistic Regression, deploying a stacked model that Increased recall by 12%.

Scalable Data Pipeline Development for Real-Time Traffic Analytics, Azure Databricks | SparkSQL | CI/CD | ETL 🗵

- Engineered a real-time ETL pipeline handling 100,000+ traffic records/day, using Spark SQL and Medallion Architecture on Azure.
- Designed and deployed 3 Power BI dashboards that improved decision-making speed by 30%.
- Automated deployments via Azure DevOps, reducing manual deployment time by 80%.

CERTIFICATIONS

- AWS Machine Learning Engineer – Associate 🗹
- · Machine Learning offered by Stanford University 2
- Databricks Data Engineer Associate ☑
- Rest API (Intermediate) assessment in HackerRank 🛮
- Google Data Analytics Professional Certificate 2
- OpenText Content Server Developer v20.4
- IBM Python for Data Science and AI 🛮