Education

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Northeastern University, Boston, MA

Jan. 2017 - Present

CANDIDATE FOR MASTER OF SCIENCE IN DATA SCIENCE

Expected Graduation: Dec 2018

 Related Courses: Supervised Machine Learning, Natural Language Processing, Applied Probability and Stochastic Processes, Special Topics in Artificial Intelligence

Government Engineering College, Thrissur

Sep. 2007 - June 2011

BACHELOR OF TECHNOLOGY

• Related Courses: Data Structures and Algorithms, Database Management Systems, Programming Paradigms, Numerical Analysis and Optimization Techniques, Design and Analysis of Algorithms

Technical Knowledge _

Specialities Classification and Clustering, Regression, Deep Learning, Natural Language Processing & Distributed Computing

Programming Python, R, Scala, Shell Scripting, Java, Groovy, Javascript

ML Tools/Frameworks Tensorflow, Keras, Scikit-Learn, Pandas

Big Data Ecosystem Apache Spark and Spark Mllib, Apache Hadoop, Hive, Flume, Sqoop, Oozie

Databases MySQL, MongoDB, HP Vertica

Domains E-commerce

Certifications Scalable Machine Learning (edX), Introduction to Big Data with Apache Spark (edX), Machine Learning (Coursera)

Recent Academic Projects

· Quantifying Semantic Similarity of Sentences using Long Short-Term Memory Neural Nets: Designed and implemented a sequence-to-sequence model (LSTM network) for classifying semantically similar and dissimilar questions from Quora. The network was able to obtain an accuracy of 83% on validation after tuning.

- Finetuning AlexNet for Custom Classification: Tuned the layers of a pre-trained AlexNet model for binary classification of images that obtained an accuracy 94% for the new task.
- The Fake News Stance Classification: Achieved an accuracy of 88% on the task of classifying fake news from the genuine ones to four discrete levels - agree, discuss, disagree, and unrelated using handcrafted linguistic features along with distance features from vectorized fields(Word2Vec). Random Forests, Support Vector Machines, and XGBoost algorithms were used for performance comparison.
- Home Value Prediction: Modeled Zillow's house rent prediction problem using Microsoft's LightGBM which obtained a mean absolute error of 0.064.

Experience _____

[24]7 Innovation Labs Bangalore India

June 2016 - Dec 2016 SENIOR DATA ENGINEER

· Modeled chat transcripts from customer conversations for user intent prediction for customer agent queue routing that achieved an accuracy of 90%.

- · Designed and developed a Natural Language toolkit on PySpark for chat transcript data analysis and modeling.
- · Configured the toolkit on a multi-cluster environment with three apache spark nodes for scalability.

[24]7 Innovation Labs Bangalore, India

DATA ENGINEER May 2015 - June 2016

- · Analyzed and modeled user data from web for several clients in the e-commerce domain for increasing chat propensity of potential customers with customer agents and uplifting purchases.
- Integrated SVM algorithm into the domain specific custom modeling tool and scaled over a million data points.

Xurmo Technologies Pvt. Ltd.

SOFTWARE ENGINEER

Bangalore, India July 2011 - May 2015

· Developed and maintained machine learning modules of the flagship product of the company - Xurmo big data analytics

- Developed and integrated machine learning algorithms on Apache Spark (Java).
- Implemented APIs for data retrieval and processing using the platform.
- Developed custom analytical functions as a platform functionality for data transformation.
- · Developed analytics applications using the Platform as a Service Text exploration engine, Stock market movement prediction, Sentiment analyzer, Customer churn prediction.
- Collaborated for building data indexing and query optimization modules.

Activities & Awards _____

Fall '17	Program Liaison for Data Science , CCIS, Northeastern University	
Q2 '16	Above and Beyond, Award for best team performer, Innovation Labs [24]7	Bangalore, India
Q3 '16	Super Trooper, Award for best team of the year (4 members) - Innovation Labs [24]7, FY 15-16	Bangalore, India

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