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# **EDUCATION**

New York University

New York, USA

Masters in Computer Science, GPA: 3.88/4

Aug 2024 - May 2026

Coursework: Machine Learning, Open Source, Software Engineering, Big Data, Deep Learning, Algorithms

#### Savitribai Phule Pune University

Pune, India

Bachelor Of Engineering in Computer Engineering with distinction, GPA: 8.64/10 Aug 2020 - June 2024 Coursework: Data Structures, Object Oriented Programming, Operating Systems, Cloud Computing

# **EXPERIENCE**

#### New York University, New York, USA | Grader/Tutor

Starting Sep 2025

- Evaluate assignments & projects for graduate level course programming languages covering OOP, structures
- Will provide feedback on functional programming code, ensuring conceptual understanding and code correctness

# Referrio, New York, USA | Full Stack Developer Intern

June 2025 - August 2025

- Engineered a scalable full stack application for a fast-growing startup using Next.js and React.js, optimizing dynamic UIs and backend logic to modernize internal workflows; improved overall system performance by 40% and reduced backend latency by 25%
- Integrated RESTful APIs using Axios, achieved 100% data consistency, reduced sync issues by 30%
- Built a secure, real-time support ticketing system using Node.js, Express.js, and PostgreSQL
- Built reusable UI components with TailwindCSS and ShadCN UI improving responsiveness and usability

#### Wilo Mather And Platt, Pune, India | Data Analyst Intern

Oct 2022 - Dec 2022

- Engineered data solutions to monitor financial risks and expenses and optimize \$23M annual budget using Power BI and SQL APIs to streamline financial analytics for cross-functional teams
- Prepared monthly status reports and presented findings to cross-functional teams along with alert to identify high cost areas & potential cost savings opportunities
- Achieved a 38% reduction in expenses using data analysis over 2022 by analyzing employee behavior patterns

# **PROJECTS**

CrisisCast | GitHub | Apache Kafka, Pyspark, MongoDB, Docker, FastAPI, Qdrant

- Developed real-time crisis detection pipeline using Kafka, Spark, Docker, ingestion from Reddit & Bluesky
- Integrated a locally hosted LLM via FastAPI for crisis classification, achieved low latency inference & filtering
- Engineered a modular architecture with **MongoDB** and **Qdrant** for enriched storage and fast vector search, powering a real-time dashboard with semantic querying and trend visualizations
- Tuned Kafka pipeline for resilience & scalability achieved 800–1000 msg/s throughput with fault recovery

#### Parameter-Efficient Transformer | GitHub | PyTorch, Hugging Face, LoRA, Python

- Fine-tuned Roberta-base on AG News using LoRA, training just 0.4% of weights for parameter efficiency
- Achieved 92.3% test accuracy in 3 epochs, outperforming full fine-tuning with 99.6% fewer parameters
- ullet Reduced GPU memory by 50% and training time to under 5 min/epoch, enabling fast, scalable deployment

#### Comparative Analysis of LLMs | GitHub | Hugging Face, PyTorch, LLM's

- Explored BERT and GPT by implementing both architectures from scratch and fine-tuning them for NLP tasks
- Trained scaled-down BERT, GPT on WikiText & fine-tuned on SQuAD, CNN/DailyMail using transfer learning
- Achieved losses of 1.67 (BERT) & 2.97 (GPT), highlighting strengths in question answering & summarization
- Implemented a modular inference pipeline for real-time predictions and model performance

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

# "Precision Farming Methods Using Machine Learning", Agro-Advice | ICESTM

Feb 3 2024

- Conducted systematic analysis of 24 peer-reviewed studies on ML-driven agricultural recommendation systems
- Identified critical gaps in existing models, insufficient data and limited adaptability to microclimate variations
- Proposed hybrid approach combining Random Forest and XGBoost algorithms, improving prediction accuracy by 17.3% introduced paired cropping optimization demonstrating 22% yield improvement in experimental validation

# **SKILLS**

Programming: Python, JavaScript, C++, R, HTML, CSS, Typescript, SQL, MongoDB

**Frameworks:** Django, Django Rest Framework, React, NextJs, Nodejs, Expressjs, TailwindCSS, ShadCN UI **Libraries:** Streamlit, Tensorflow, Keras, Sci-kit Learn, Pandas, NumPy, NLTK, PyTorch, OpenCV, Matplotlib

APIs and Tools: REST APIs, Power BI, Tableau, Microsoft Office, Hadoop, Spark, Linux

Cloud: AWS, Kubernetes, Docker, Snowflake