Tushar Gupta

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EDUCATION

Columbia University New York, US May 2022

M.S. in Computer Science, Machine Learning Track Courses; N.L.P, Intro to Databases, Cloud computing & Big Data, Practical Deep Learning Systems

Indian Institute of Technology, Kharagpur

Dual Degree (B.Tech. & M.Tech.) Minor in Computer Science and Engineering Kharagpur, IN May 2018

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Bayer U.S. LLC | Consumer Healthcare

New Jersey, US June'23 - Dec'23

Senior Data Scientist | Analytics & Forecasting

- Spearheaded a 52-week retail sales forecasting system for the U.S. product portfolio worth ~3B \$ across 15 brands & 7 retailers for the Demand Planning team
- Engineered robust system to capture market anomalies via features such as weather, promotions, store inventory, competitor sales, illness incidences and more
- GB Trees and LSTM-based time-series models achieved a Lag 3 accuracy between 70% and 85% across 200+ SKUs with a maximum 5pp seasonal deviation
- Implemented automated model retraining triggers and weekly prediction generation in Databricks, resulting in efficiency improvements worth 10 hours/week
- Introduced a business strategy simulator with the Category, Brands and Supply, enabling teams to build interpretable scenarios using standardised human inputs.

Data Scientist | Analytics & Forecasting

June'22 - May'23

New Product Sales Estimation:

- Launched predictive models to estimate new sales opportunities (1-year sales) with 93% accuracy for upcoming Bayer Over-the-counter (OTC) launches.
- Utilised regression-based models on POS, Distribution and Brand penetration data of similar product introductions in the market within the past 5 years
- Partnered with 14 Innovation team managers on 38 product forecasts & market positioning analysis, translating to 1.7 M \$\\$ in savings for the team
- Developed quarterly Long-term (5 Year) OTC forecasting system across 50+ categories, used by sales teams in building stronger relationships with Walmart
- Managed an intern over Summer'23 who improved A&F team's flu-season forecasting accuracy by including southern hemisphere trends in modelling pipeline
- Consistently recognised for talent receiving Top Performance & R4B awards in 2023 for leading innovation within the team

Gartner Pvt. Ltd. Gurgaon, IN

Senior Business Associate | Product Development

Mar'20 - Nov'20

- Managed product design and development of Python & SQL data pipelines for an org-wide live client prioritisation tool used by 300+ service associates
- Streamlined bug resolution processes with issue support teams and designed data monitoring tools in Python to reduce monthly reported issues by 38%
- Collaborated with multiple scrum teams and product stakeholders to build business roadmap and standardised client outreach metrics across 7 verticals

Quantitative Analyst | Data Science

June'18 - Feb'20

Early-Risk Prediction System:

- Identified early-client risk prediction indicators via feature analysis on client usage indicators to build statistically guided success metrics for service associates
- Recorded 90%+ recall in identifying churned customers via RandomForest models based on risk prediction features designed at multiple touchpoints in contract Content recommendation for Unengaged users:
- Innovated a word-vector-based content matching algorithm for suggesting research documents to low-engaged users based on engagement of organisation peers
- Achieved 80% hits in top-10 results for various user profiles created across markets and industries. Piloted Flask service with an outreach team that integrated risk predictions with content suggestions to gather associate feedback

Client Feedback Classification:

- Launched a text classification service using Multinomial Naive Bayes to publish root causes of service dissatisfaction from client surveys. Achieved F1-score of 0.75 and transformed model results into key actionable suggestions. Implemented a PowerBI and Python pipeline to reduce monthly reporting time by 50%
- Utilised Sklearn for model development, stats model Python API for experimentation, SQL for data extraction and AWS cloud VMs for computation

Edge Networks

NLP Research Intern

Bangalore, IN

May'17 – July'17

Innovated a Bi-LSTM & ConvNet strategy in Pytorch for domain-independent resume classification. Applied Attention over embeddings and increased top-10 precision by 30% points. Created on-demand APIs using Flask for the above models to facilitate user validation and product integration

ACADEMIC PROJECTS

Stock Price prediction via Tweets, Big Data Analytics (CU)

Sep '21 - Dec '21

Tabulated performance of LSTM and statistical regression models for predicting the next 3-day stock price trend using N-day moving averages of historical prices and twitter sentiments in top 5 tech companies. Utilized BigQuery for data storage, Pyspark for data ETL & Airflow for automated pipelines.

Smart Image Gallery, Cloud Computing and Big Data (CU)

Jan '21 - April '21

Collaborated with a team of 3 people to design and execute a photo gallery application with image upload and custom search functionality using AWS Elasticsearch, Lambda and Rekognition services. Employed AWS CodePipeline for automated change deployments (CI/CD)

Indian Institute of Technology, Kharagpur

Aug '17 - May '18

Awarded top Master's thesis at the Annual Convocation, 2018, for work on stochastic optimisation and model predictive control in the crystallisation domain

TECHNICAL SKILLS

- **Programming:** Python, SQL, C, R, HTML5/CSS. GoLang
- Frameworks: Pytorch, Keras, PySpark, NLTK, NumPy, Nvidia DeepStream, Pandas, Flask, scikit-learn
- Software / Platform: DataRobot, DataBricks, Snowflake, AWS, Google Cloud (Dataproc, BigQuery, Apache Airflow), Linux, Git, Power BI, MATLAB