# Vatsal Bhargava

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#### **EDUCATION**

# Northwestern University - McCormick School of Engineering

Evanston, IL

Bachelor of Science in Computer Science, Minor in Mathematics

Expected June 2024

- **GPA:** 3.91/4.00 | SAT Math II: 800/800 | SAT: 1520
- Relevant Coursework: Data Structures & Algorithms, Operating Systems, Scalable Software, Linear Algebra, Artificial Intelligence, Web Development, Relational Databases, Graph Theory, Machine Learning, Deep Learning

#### WORK EXPERIENCE

Alarm.com Tysons, VA

Software Engineering Intern – Access Control

June 2023 – August 2023

- Reduced potential security breach opportunities by 12% by developing proactive security measures for scheduled access control. Managed full-stack, from site-wide UI additions to C# backend and MySQL database modifications.
- Collaborated intensively with Mercury Hardware staff and controllers in conjunction with unit tests to guarantee hardware integration and functionality. Refactored current controller interactions to increase reliability by ~10%.
- Implemented feature toggles and an internal troubleshooting page to optimize beta testing procedures and enhance client usability, contributing to improved client satisfaction and quicker issue resolution.

KBR Fulton, MD

Software Engineering Intern – Cloud Edge Optimization

*June* 2022 – *August* 2022

- Developed high-compute applications for edge computing to test validity of edge distribution algorithm in Rust using test-driven development: 4th order differential equation solver and neural networks.
- Analyzed and documented information from 15 research papers to assist Cloud Team in decision-making regarding edge computing techniques and relevant technologies, primarily Docker and WebAssembly as containers for edge.
- Presented bi-weekly progress updates showcasing code progress via React App and WebAssembly to Space and Science Program then fielded in-time questions from senior leadership and relevant contractors.

# **Northwestern University Football Team**

Evanston, IL

Data Analyst

June 2021 – April 2022

- Extracted relevant features from 1,000+ row historical data sets, then preprocessed and produced actionable reports with in-depth analysis and personal insights using industry standards tools such as Jupyter, Pandas, and Plotly.
- Led a team of 4 coders and organized 8-12 person meetings with coaching staff and analysts to discuss status of current reports and future areas of interest to provide competitive advantage to staff by narrowing scope of film sessions.

# **PROJECTS**

# **NFL Spread Predictor**:

October 2023 –Present

- Spearheading the development of an NFL Spread classification model using Vegas betting lines and historical game data for ML course final project, features will include general offensive/defensive stats and several advanced analytic metrics.
- Using convolutional neural networks, targeting the industry benchmark accuracy of 52.4% (betting profitability).

NBA Newsletter: March 2023 – June 2023

- Developed a user-centric bet analysis app utilizing OpenAI's GPT-3.5 Turbo API, NBA API, and Selenium for data scraping. Users input a date and bet, receiving a tailored summary with options for follow-up queries.
- Built frontend with React, backend in Python, and utilized Firebase for data storage. Awarded "Best Project in Class".

#### Tweet Filtration Bot:

July 2022 – August 2022

• Leveraged the Twitter API v2 and Tweepy to build a bot that filters NBA injury news, reducing notifications by 70% with under 1-second latency. Integrated with the Discord API to deliver notifications post-data processing. Created scale by deploying a cloud-based architecture on AWS, supporting 100+ daily notifications to a 75-member group.

#### **ADDITIONAL**

**Programming Languages:** Python, Rust, C++, C#, Java, C, MATLAB, HTML, CSS, JavaScript, TypeScript,SQL **Tools/Frameworks:** Git, Linux, NumPy, AWS, Pandas, REST, Selenium, Jira, Ember.js, Object-Oriented Principles **Involvement:** Pi Kappa Alpha – Philanthropy Chair, NU Relay For Life – Fundraising Chair, Kappa Theta Pi (Career Mentor), Blockchain Club, Chess Club, Nerds 2 the Rescue (K-5 tutoring – Founder)

Interests: Travel, Chess, Pickleball, Poker, Golf, Podcasts, Basketball, Pond Fishing, Weight Lifting