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Professional Summary

Data Engineer with 3+ years of experience in a strong background in **ETL development**, **machine learning**, and **cloud technologies**. Skilled at designing scalable data pipelines, optimizing workflows, and implementing data-driven solutions to improve operational efficiency.

Education

Master of Science in Information Technology, *Kennesaw State University, USA* | Jan 2024 – May 2025 | GPA: 3.6 **Bachelor of Communication and Electronics Engineering,** *BIHER, India* | May 2017 – Jun 2021 | GPA: 3.8

Technical Skills

Programming Languages: Java, Python, SQL, JavaScript, R, C, Shell Scripting

Frameworks/Tools: Apache Airflow, Spark, Hadoop, Databricks, Kafka, ETL Tools, Spring Boot, REST

Cloud Platforms: Google Cloud Platform (GCP) – Big Query, DataProc, AWS – S3, SageMaker, EMR, Azure – Data Lake, Stream Analytics

Databases: MySQL, PostgreSQL, MongoDB, Oracle DB, Snowflake, GCP Cloud SQL

Machine Learning & AI: Supervised & Unsupervised Learning, Neural Networks (CNN, RNN), TensorFlow, Scikit-

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Data Visualization: Tableau, Power BI, R Shiny, Google Looker

Work Experience

Data Engineer *Oct 2021 – Dec 2023*

Client: Wool Worths, Tata Consultancy Services, US

• Designed and optimized large-scale **ETL pipelines** using Apache Airflow and GCP, enhancing data processing efficiency by **30%**.

- Improved Directed Acyclic Graphs (DAGs) to reduce processing time by 25%, ensuring system scalability and
 operational reliability.
- Developed complex **SQL queries** and **stored procedures** for data extraction and aggregation.
- **Architected** scalable solutions for **big data** applications, enhancing the performance of mission-critical systems.
- Developed predictive machine learning models, improving business outcome predictions by 20%.
- Guided junior engineers in technical aspects, improving team productivity and technical skills.

Data Analyst *Jun 2020 – May 2021*

Sutherland, Chennai, India

Developed automated pipelines using SQL and Excel, increasing efficiency by 25%.

- Created actionable reports and dynamic Power BI dashboards, improving decision-making by 30%.
- Designed and maintained databases using **MS Access**, optimizing reporting capabilities.
- Optimized complex SQL queries and indexing strategies to improve query performance and reduce latency in large-scale data processing environments.

Kev Projects

Customer Analysis Dashboard | (Skills: Tableau, Python)

Source Code

 Constructed an intuitive Customer Analysis dashboard, enabling stakeholders to easily identify growth opportunities and optimize business strategies, resulting in improved revenue and customer satisfaction.

Conversational Chatbot with Memory | (Skills: *LLMs, Hugging face, Transformers, Embedding, ChatGPT, OpenAI*)

- Utilized cutting-edge AI technologies, including OpenAI's GPT-3 and Hugging Face's model hub, to develop an AI application, showcasing advanced natural language processing and understanding abilities.
- Implements a conversational memory system using Lang chain's conversational buffer memory to maintain context and provide more personalized interactions.

Understanding the Impact of Invasive Species on Native Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services | (**Skills:** Python, R, GIS (QGIS/ArcGIS), Machine Learning, Data Analysis, Statistical Modeling, Data Visualization (Tableau, Power BI), Big Data Integration)

- Analyzed the impact of invasive species on biodiversity using large-scale datasets, GIS mapping, and machine learning models.
- Developed data-driven conservation strategies by correlating species spread with environmental and socioeconomic factors.

Certifications

Google Cloud Certified: Associate Cloud Engineer Microsoft Certified: Power BI Data Analyst Associate (Certification ID: N3mwvq) (Certification ID: 995534758)