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Education

- 2021–2023 **University of Montreal (Mila Quebec AI)**, *Masters in Computer Science*, GPA – 4.3/4.3.
Masters in ML with Internship (Co-op), Expected Graduation: Apr 2023
- 2016–2020 **Indian Institute of Technology, Bombay**, *Bachelors (with Honours) in Computer Science*, GPA – 8.59/10.

Work Experience

- May 2022 **Research Scientist Intern**, NUANCE-MICROSOFT, Montreal, Canada, *Tensorflow*.
- Oct 2022 - Optimized **Next Turn Prediction** for a Conversational Agent AI App. Tweaked the Transformer models by **reducing embedding size, ensemble approaches**, resulting in 1% EM improvement with 2X latency reduction.
- Implemented **Spell Checker** for the AI application using **Viterbi Algorithm** with 91% F1, improving baseline by 6%. Created a prototype to streamline the use of the **Bing Spell Checker API** for optimal performance.
- Jul 2020 **Machine Learning Engineer**, HILABS, Pune, India, *PyTorch, PySpark, Spark, Scala*.
- Jul 2021 - Built **Provider Network Analysis** App to detect anomalies in the health provider database holding hundreds of thousands of provider contracts and tabular records, using **OCR, Bert-NER** and **Pattern mining**.
- Extracted information from searchable and scanned contracts building a pipeline with Tesseract OCR, antiword and Bert-NER. Reduced latency by 10X using **distributed computing with PySpark**.
- Deployed the App on-prem, citing around 40 critical mismatches of provider network and 1000s of minor ones.
- May 2019 **Research Engineering Intern**, SAMSUNG RESEARCH, Bangalore, India, *PyTorch*.
- Jul 2019 Explored NLP techniques to **Analyse a conversation, Build context and Answer the questions**. Framed as a question-answering task and finetuned BERT on the SQuAD dataset. Created a WebApp to demo the results.
- May 2018 **Software Development Intern**, FRANKLIN TEMPLETON, Hyderabad, India, *Django*.
- Jul 2018 Developed a Web Application using Django for **maintenance of Fixed Income**, helping analysts track decisions

Key Projects

- MLOps **Deploying ML Models in Production**, COURSERA, *Kubernetes, Locust, Istio, TFServing*.
Specialization - Deployed ResNet50 and ResNet101 as production and canary models on **Google Kubernetes Engine** using weighted load balancing and request header-based traffic splitting strategies.
- Configured Horizontal Pod Autoscaler and monitored serving performance and resource utilization using locust.
- Automated Machine Learning CI/CD pipeline using **Github Actions** for efficient and consistent delivery.
- Data **NHL live xG Prediction**, U.MONTREAL, *Sklearn, Plotly, Docker, Pandas, Comet.ml*.
Science - Developed machine learning models to predict expected goals (xG) of shots in live NHL games using **XGBoost** and logistic regression, with performance measured using AU-ROC and calibration curves.
- Deployed models in a **Docker container** accessible via a REST API and tracked experiments using Comet.ml.
- Performed data acquisition, wrangling, EDA with shot map visualizations, and feature engineering.
- Operating **Xv6 Operating System**, IIT BOMBAY, *C++*.
Systems - Used semaphores and mutex locks for **multi-threading** issues such as reader-writer and barrier synchronization.
- Developed a simple **file system** with basic functions and APIs to handle files on an emulated disk interface

Academic Achievements

- 2022 Excellent grades (A+) in all my graduate courses, including Representation Learning and Graphical Models.
- 2018 Amongst Top 300 of 4000 teams in ACM-ICPC prelims and Top 150 in Regionals receiving honorable mention
- 2016 **Rank 42 in JEE-Advanced** across all of India among 1.2 million candidates for admission into IITs
- 2014 Gold Medalist for being amongst the Top 35 students in Indian National Junior Science Olympiad Camp.

Technical Skills

- Languages Python, C++, Scala, Java, SQL, Matlab, Julia
- Softwares PyTorch, Tensorflow, Numpy, Pandas, Sklearn, Spark, PySpark, Docker, Kubernetes, Locust, FastAPI, Istio, Comet.ml, Django, Plotly, Flutter, GCP
- Coursework NLP, Convex Optimization, Computer Architecture, Software Systems, Automata Theory, Data Structures and Algorithms, Cryptography, Compilers, Computer Networks, Graphical Models, Operating Systems, Image Processing, Speech Recognition, Reinforcement Learning