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Technical Skills Languages: Python, SQL, PL/SQL, NoSQL, R, C/C++, Java, JavaScript, HTML5 Tools & Technologies: OracleDB, Linux, Git, CSS3, React, Node, Django, RESTful APIs, JSON/XML, FastAPI, Gradio Python Libraries: Pytorch, TensorFlow, Numpy, Pandas, Matplotlib, Scikit-Learn, PySpark, Scipy, ggplot2 Deep Learning Expertise: Computer Vision (CV), Natural Language Processing (NLP), Large Language Models (LLMs), GenAI Industry Skills: Agile Practices, Test Driven Development, Design Thinking & Analysis, Cloud Computing Experience **Data Scientist** Oct 2023 - Present Civic Tech Structure Los Angeles, CA • Conducting analysis to evaluate affordable housing accessibility for food assistance programs in LA County using Pandas. • Successfully extracted geographical coordinates for over 1000 locations, from web, to facilitate comprehensive analysis. Machine Learning Scientist Jul 2023 - Sep 2023 EnSuRe Research Group (New York University) Brooklyn, New York • Enhanced Deep Learning models' Out-Of-Distribution detection for backdoor sample identification, achieving 95% accuracy. • Executed established methodologies and managed the data pipeline, using *Pytorch* to generate results for 5000 configurations. • Achieved a 50% reduction in run times by optimizing GPU cluster usage, implemented on NYU's Greene HPC cluster. Software Developer & Researcher Jan 2022 - Dec 2022 New York University, Tandon School of Engineering Brooklyn, New York • Revamped the Augmented Library APP by developing a new backend system for reserving 40 study spaces. • Proposed a cost-effective AWS Cloud Hosting solution for migrating the backend PostgreSQL database, for scalability. Software Engineer Sept 2018 - Jul 2021 IBM Pvt. Ltd., Bengaluru, India • Developed high-performance PL/SQL APIs using TDD, managing 400K daily transactions of AT&T Enterprise accounts. • Led the implementation of an automated mailing system using Shell Scripting and Dynamic SQL, enhancing database insights and averting outages, reducing manual workload from 2 hours/week to zero. • Utilized SQL for data analysis and managed over 50 critical APIs, reflecting proficiency in EDA tasks and ETL processes. • Optimized PL/SQL APIs, using finetuning and EXPLAIN PLAN, cutting Production Database execution time by 10%. • Achieved a significant reduction in production tickets to zero for the sub-application through effective troubleshooting. • Worked on designing and developing maintenance of Java Microservices and hosting them on AWS. • Attained Certified SAFe 5 Practitioner certification to implement Agile methodologies in delivery of projects. Education New York University, Tandon School of Engineering Brooklyn, New York Sept 2021 - May 2023 Master of Science, Computer Engineering PDPM Indian Institute of Information Technology, Design & Manufacturing Jabalpur, India

Bachelor of Technology, Electronics and Communication Engineering

Projects

Summariser Web-APP: LLM powered Call Log Summarization with Time Navigation [Link] Apr 2024 - Apr 2024

Aug. 2014 - May 2018

Sep 2022 - Dec 2022

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- Developed NLP-powered Summariser Web-APP using *Mistral Instruct LLM* for call log summarization and question answering, taking input dates, integrating FastAPI and Gradio UI for seamless functionality.
- Utilized SQLite for efficient data storage and retrieval, implemented Test Driven Development for robust error handling.

Stealthy Syntactical Backdoor Attack on Language Models [Link]

- Proposed a novel backdoor attack on Language Models, extending the Hidden Killer attack by integrating poison data generation with the Pre-trained T5 model, resulting in a maximum **ASR** increase of 23%.
- Implemented a robust backdoor defense using GPT3, reducing ASR by 50% in most tested model and data set configurations.

Deep Dive into Google Play Store Apps & Reviews

- Performed comprehensive analysis on a Google Play Store dataset comprising 2.3 million entries using **Python** and **PySpark**, uncovering insights into app popularity, advertising efficacy, and user engagement dynamics.
- Executed extensive *data pre-processing, statistical analysis, causal inference, and classification tasks*, achieving a 80% **test accuracy** for predicting 'Maximum Installs' and uncovering key factors influencing app ratings and installs.

Cross-Architectural Self-Supervision for Multi-Modal Learning [Link]

- Explored Unimodal and Multi-modal Self-supervised approaches for classifying memes in Facebook AI's hateful meme dataset, evaluating performance with AUROCs and accuracies.
- Introduced CASS-MM (CASS-Multi-modal), a novel technique, outperforming CLIP-trained models in accuracy by 10%.

PUBLICATIONS

NeurIPS 2023 Workshop BUGS: On the Limitation of Backdoor Detection Methods [Link] AISTATS 2024: On the (In)feasibility of ML Backdoor Detection