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CORE COMPETENCIES

Strategic Product & Tech Enablement
Stakeholder Management
Digital Transformations
Al and Data Science Roadmaps
Cloud Infrastructure Cost Estimation
Mentoring and Knowledge Sharing
Team Building & Leadership

AUTHORED BOOKS





SKILLS

Programming: Python, C++, Shell, Spring Boot

Data Science/LLM: pandas, Huggingface transformers, OpenAl API, LangChain, VectorDB (Faiss, Chroma), AWS Sagemaker, Azure Cognitive Services, Azure ML, Synapse, PyTorch, GPT4, using Flan-T5 LLMs from HuggingFace, GuardRails, RAG

Containers & Cloud: Kubernetes, Docker, AWS Lambda, Azure Cloud (APIM, FrontDoor, App Service, Function Apps), Microservices, Mlflow

Build Management, DevOps, Jenkins, Artifactory, Azure DevOps

IoT: Watson IoT, MQTT, Kafka, LoRa

EDUCATION

MS (Mechanical Engineering)
Kansas State University, USA, 2003
GPA: 3.88/4.0

BE (Mechanical Engineering)University of Pune, Pune, 2000

Deep Learning Nanodegree Udacity Certification, 2020

PROFILE SUMMARY

- Accomplished technical leader with 19+ years of progressive experience in engineering software development, project leadership, and technology research.
- Exhibited expertise as an innovator, driving the development of AI projects raging from pronunciation assessment, sentiment analysis, speech-to-text to Generative AI.
- Demonstrated strong leadership in guiding software engineering and data science teams to deploy AI based solutions at scale (Azure cloud ecosystem, Databricks, MLOps practice, Azure ML)
- Showcased skills in advancing digital transformations that enhance data privacy and mitigate PHI risks.
- Prolific inventor with over 40 granted / pending patents in AI/ML, IoT and healthcare domains.
- Published author of two books on the Python programming language

WORK EXPERIENCE

Optum (United Health Group), Bangalore Senior Principal Engineer | Director of Research

Dec'18-Sep'23

- Directed teams in implementing advanced transformer-based models for patent portfolio taxonomy to enhance portfolio management. (BERT, TF-IDF, fuzzy matching, Apache tika, Azure OCR)
- Provided engineering oversight to company's disease platform modernization, leading critical discussions on architecture approvals, cloud migration strategy, and ML Pipelines. (Azure Cloud ecosystem)
- Conceptualized and led the development of a generative AI based tool (GPT3.5, LangChain, ChromaDB) for automated content summarization and generation, streamlining the creation of invention drafts, reducing manual effort, and enhancing productivity.
- Drove technical aspects of a critical digital transformation initiative, enhancing data privacy. Championed technical architecture design, influenced build vs buy decisions in procurement of strategic technology tools.
- Spearheaded implementation of employee experience bots in MS Teams environment. Worked with cross-functional teams to define chatbot functionalities, enhancing user experience through quick inquiry resolution.
- Championed various Al-Driven process optimizations: Utilized Azure cognitive services for automated auditing of customer-service calls (2021-22); Employed an ARIMA model to predict retrospective drug price changes (2019)

Academic Research Collaborations

 Provided technical mentorship to Carnegie Mellon University graduate data science students to develop an ensemble model for predicting personalized healthcare utilization risk.

Mentoring and Training

- Mentored a group of new joiners, to develop a fitness tracking app 'Fitness Guru'.
 Incorporated an innovative composite model that combined deep learning-based image detection and mobile phone sensor data to accurately detect posture. Awarded first place in India organization-wide project competition.
- Mentored and trained numerous aspiring inventors, resulting in several individuals becoming highly successful inventors in subsequent years.

Topics: CNN, RNN, Transfer learning

SELECT PATENTS

Sentiment Progression Analysis; US11256874; 2022

Cognitive Mobile Wallet Management; US11030616; 2021

Resolving Application Multitasking Degradation; US10223228B2; 2019

Health Monitoring; US10216909B2; 2019

System Managing Mobile Sensors for Continuous Monitoring of Pipe Networks; US9841134B2; 2017

Data Processing; US9549044B1; 2017

AWARDS

Outstanding Technical Achievement Award (OTAA), for integration of IBM Q Experience with Data Science Experience platform; 2017; IBM India

Eminence and Excellence Award, for creation of production IBM Q experience simulator service leveraging containerbased IBM Cloud Private cluster; 2017; **IBM** India

SELECT WHITE PAPERS

Connected cars for connected healthcare, Publisher: Nasscom (2022)

Tech for better healthcare: The role of AR and VR, PC Quest Magazine (2020)

ACCREDITATIONS







PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE

IBM India, Bangalore

Advisory Research Engineer | Technical Strategy CTO Office

Semiconductor Device Simulator Research & Development

Enhanced proprietary semiconductor device simulation software used for predicting 45nm, 32nm, 22nm, 14nm nodes) by implementing new physicsbased models and conducting large-scale upgrades, leading to more accurate prediction of transistor performance. Co-authored IEEE journal and conference papers on this work.

Containerized Deployment of Quantum Simulator

Containerized applications for quantum computer offering and deployed in a high-availability Kubernetes cluster, effectively serving over 40k global users.

CI for Deep Learning Product Offering on Power AI platform

Proposed a continuous integration strategy for PowerAl components. Mentored a developer team in the implementation of pipeline as a code using Jenkins.

IoT Smart Water Project (Collaborator: IISc, Bangalore)

Architected an end-to-end IoT solution using Watson IoT platform and IBM Cloud, enabling predictive insights into piped water leakage problems, and facilitating bi-directional communication with edge devices.

Nanorex Inc, Michigan, USA

May'04- Nov'08

Jan'09 - Dec'18

Systems Programmer

Significant Accomplishments:

- Developed NanoEngineer-1, an open-source 3D-CAD software for modeling and visualization of molecular devices.
- Implemented APIs for creating nano-structures, such as nanotubes and DNA.
- Re-factored and maintained legacy code, wrote profiling code for functions.

PART-TIME EXPERIENCE

Michigan State University

2003 - 2004

Teaching Assistant | PhD Candidate

Performed molecular dynamic simulations for determination of nano-scale energy transport at the metal-polymer interface.

Kansas State University Research Assistant

2001 - 2003

Optimized a thermal system to increase the power output of a natural gas compression engine.