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### **EDUCATION**

The University Texas at Austin	Master of Science in Business Analytics	GPA: 3.84/4	May 2020
Indian Institute of Technology, Bombay	Bachelor and Master of Metallurgical	GPA: 8.41/10	June 2017
	Engineering and Materials Science		

### **TECHNICAL SKILLS**

Technologies	Python, SQL, R, ggplot2, Pandas, NumPy, Matplotlib, Seaborn, plotly, Scikit-Learn, NLTK, Vader,	
	Gensim, Matlab, VBA, MapReduce	
Tools/Platforms	Jupyter Notebook, RStudio, Tableau, Spotfire, Google Cloud Platform, Databricks, MS-Excel, MS-Powerpoint	
<b>Modeling Skills</b>	Linear Regression, Logistic Regression, Lasso, Ridge, Naive Bayes, Random Forest, KNN, XGBoost, ARIMA, PCA,	

k-means clustering, A/B testing

#### **EXPERIENCE**

## **Visa** Capstone Project Consultant, Austin, TX

January 2020-present

• Building unsupervised models using Graph analytics and DBSCAN to identify fraud patterns in real time to decrease losses in revenue and improve customer relations; Visualized transactions data using Tableau to study customer behavior

### **Energy Sector Start-up** Student Consultant, Austin, TX

August 2019-November 2019

- Consulted a solar-energy based start-up to identify key drivers influencing customer sign-ups using Google Analytics data and designed Tableau dashboard to stakeholders to help them improve their business model
- Deployed XGboost, resulting in a summary-level data recall of 0.77 and individual-level data recall of 0.86

### Merck & Co. Analyst, Pune, India

June 2017 - October 2018

- Assessed and forecasted in R the impact of market events, such as competitor entry and loss of exclusivity of Merck's drug, on sales using therapy area knowledge and treatment protocol
- Implemented k-means clustering method in python to group patient data and identify market opportunity based on cluster
- Developed market opportunity analyzer and trained 50+ people in marketing teams across LATAM, EMEA and APAC countries to use the tool for analyzing market before entry of generics
- Designed and created global reporting TIBCO Spotfire-based dashboards to track pre-launch and post launch KPIs of patented drug to present actionable insights for global marketing strategy

# DBS Bank Summer Analyst, Mumbai, India

May 2016-June 2016

- Boosted efficiency and reduced stress testing time by automating operational risk estimation module using SQL to deliver an integrated stress testing framework
- Identified opportunity areas to cross-sell products by evaluating cross-sell index of product exposure to clients leading to increase in business; Integrated data from various sources to publish the daily balance sheet of the bank

## **DATA ANALYTICS PROJECTS**

## Instagram user engagement

Fall 2019

• Investigated ways to boost user engagement of NatGeo Instagram handle using LDA topic modeling on images and TF-IDF on post with engagement prediction accuracy 71.9%; Over-saturated topics have low engagement scores

### **GoodReads Recommendation system**

Fall 2019

• K- means clustering and user-based collaborative filtering using correlation similarity on Goodread books data improved RMSE of book recommendation; Long tail problem can be solved by recommending mixture of books from the clusters

### **Energy consumption Prediction**

Fall 2019

• Employed lightGBM on data to predict energy consumption to understand worth of improving building efficiencies to reduce costs and emissions; Feature engineering and outlier removal was performed on the time series data

US traffic Fatalities Fall 2019

• Illustrated fatal traffic car crashes data on Databricks to understand causes of motor vehicle crashes and deaths on national highways; Only 27.5% accidents were due to drunk driving; 72% of accidents occurred in clear conditions

### **LEADERSHIP AND ACTIVITES**

- Student editor of Insight, IIT Bombay's monthly newsletter, which publishes articles on campus issues
- Part of 22-member core management team to ideate and execute Asia's largest student-organized science and technology festival
- Mentored 10 students as Department Academic Mentor at IIT Bombay
- Classical 'Bharatanatyam' dancer; Traveler; completed 10-day Vipassana (no talk for 10 days) Meditation course