Darshan Rahul Rajopadhye

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Education

Northeastern University

Boston, MA

Khoury College of Computer Sciences

May 2025

Master of Science in Artificial Intelligence

3.96 GPA

Relevant Coursework: Machine Learning, Information Retrieval, Data Mining, Algorithms

Teaching Assistant: Machine Learning II (Prof. Chieh Wu)

Technical Skills

Languages & Frameworks
Python, Bash, Java, C++, SQL, FastAPI, Flask, Django, Pytest, Poetry, Streamlit, Pydantic, Jupyter
Infrastructure & DevOps
Kubernetes, OpenShift, Docker, GitHub Actions, Helm, Argo CD, GCP, AWS, CI/CD

AI & ML Tools
TensorFlow, PyTorch, Scikit-learn, MLflow, Airflow, DVC, LangChain, KServe, Hugging Face
Data & Databases
MySQL, PostgreSQL, MongoDB, BigQuery, Pinecone, Neo4j, Vector DBs (FAISS, Qdrant)

Streaming & Real-Time Apache Kafka, Spark Streaming, Apache Flink, Celery, Pub/Sub, Redis Streams

Experience

Data Engineer Aug 2021 – Sept 2022

Larsen and Toubro Infotech

Pune, IN

- Designed and optimized scalable ETL pipelines to process over 70GB of financial data daily, integrating structured and unstructured data to support advanced analytics and machine learning workflows.
- Developed automated data preprocessing and transformation pipelines using Python and Bash scripts, reducing manual intervention and enabling efficient feature extraction for downstream decision making.
- Designed high-performance storage solutions using AVRO and Parquet, enhancing data retrieval speeds.

Projects

Credit Risk Explainer with Real-Time Fairness & Interpretability | Python, SHAP, LIME, oost, Link May 2025 – Jun 2025

- Built an interactive, explainable AI dashboard for real-time credit risk prediction using **XGBoost**, **Random Forest**, and **Logistic Regression**, with full model evaluation and comparison.
- Implemented local interpretability with SHAP and LIME to provide per-user prediction insights, promoting transparency and trust in AI-driven decision systems.
- Designed fairness monitoring modules with **disparate impact** and **equal opportunity** metrics, supporting **responsible AI** and bias detection across user segments.
- Deployed a **Streamlit** dashboard on **Streamlit Cloud** with **real-time user input processing**, automated model retraining, and **CI/CD deployment** via GitHub Actions for continuous delivery.

- Engineered a real-time ML pipeline with **MLflow** for experiment tracking, version control, and continuous integration, inspired by **GitOps** practices for production-ready deployment.
- Optimized XGBoost models via Bayesian search, achieving 92.85% accuracy and 0.94 AUC-ROC, while monitoring model fairness, bias drift, and demographic parity.
- Built a low-latency inference service using **FastAPI** with **Pydantic**-based schema validation, integrated content safety filters, and deployed as a containerized microservice on OpenShift.
- Architected a production-grade system using Docker Compose, with multi-container orchestration, automated health checks, and robust CI/CD triggers for real-time deployment.

Predictive Analytics for NBA Player Performance and Game Outcomes | Python, scikit-learn, NBA-API Nov 2024 – Dec 2024

- Designed an end-to-end machine learning pipeline for predicting NBA game outcomes using real-time and historical player behavior data, achieving 83% accuracy.
- Engineered 30+ advanced features from **raw NBA API streams**, modeling **individual player dynamics**, fatigue, and team synergy for outcome forecasting.
- Evaluated and tuned models including XGBoost, LSTM neural networks, and ensemble methods to maximize AUC-ROC, with a 12% performance lift.
- Applied time-series analysis to monitor player fatigue and injury risk signals, enhancing model personalization and temporal prediction accuracy by 7%.