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Experiences

Computer Science Internship

SITA – Beirut, Lebanon

07/2024 – 08/2024

- Gained hands-on experience developing and implementing machine learning models, focusing on data preprocessing, model training, and performance evaluation.
- Explored various AI techniques and applications, contributing to designing and testing AI algorithms.
- Participated in web application architecture design involving frontend and backend integration, database management, and cloud-based solutions.
- Collaborated on project planning, execution, and monitoring, while developing familiarity with Agile and Scrum project management methodologies.

Sports Assistant

American University of Science and Technology – Beirut, Lebanon

10/2022 – 6/2023

- Managed student registrations for sports classes using Microsoft Word, ensuring accurate and efficient record-keeping.
- Organized and coordinated sports competitions, overseeing event logistics and team participation.
- Collaborated with faculty to schedule and plan sports activities for over 100 students per semester.

Education

• American University of Science and Technology, Saida

-10,2021-present studying computer science, current GPA of 3.05

Projects

Attention is all you need Paper Replication

- Designed and implemented a Transformer-based natural language processing (NLP) model from scratch, following the "Attention Is All You Need" architecture. Developed both the model and an efficient training loop for machine translation tasks.
- Built and optimized a training loop using PyTorch, including custom loss functions, learning rate scheduling, gradient clipping, and monitoring model performance using validation metrics.
- Implemented embeddings and positional encodings for source and target sequences in sequence-to-sequence tasks.
- Integrated cross-attention mechanisms in the decoder to enhance context understanding from encoder outputs.
- Fine-tuned the model using dropout, and batch normalization for better generalization and stability.

Tools: Python, PyTorch, Transformer architecture, Attention Mechanisms, Feed-forward Networks, Layer Normalization, Embedding Layers, Dropout, Gradient Descent, CUDA.

GitHub: <https://github.com/RicardoGHa/AttentionIsAllYouNeedPaperReplication>

Heart Disease Prediction Using Logistic Regression

- Built a logistic regression model to predict the presence of heart disease based on patient data.
- Preprocessed the data by checking for null values and ensuring a balanced distribution of the target variable.
- Split the dataset into training and testing sets and train the model on the training data.
- Achieved an accuracy of 85% on the training data and 83% on the test data.
- Developed a predictive system to determine the likelihood of heart disease based on patient input features.
- Tools: Python, Pandas, Scikit-learn

GitHub: <https://github.com/RicardoGHa/Machine-Learning/tree/main/HeartDiseasePrediction>

Fake News Detection Using Logistic Regression

- Developed a machine learning model to classify news articles as real or fake using logistic regression.
- Performed data preprocessing by merging author names and titles, filling in missing values, and applying stemming.

- Converted text data into a numerical format using TF-IDF Vectorizer and trained the model with stratified sampling.
- Achieved an accuracy of 97% on test data, demonstrating effective fake news detection.
- Tools: Python, Pandas, NLTK, Scikit-learn

GitHub: <https://github.com/RicardoGHa/Machine-Learning/tree/main/fakeOrRealnewsDecetion>

Computer Skills

• Data Science & Machine Learning:

- **Frameworks:** Scikit-learn, PyTorch
- **Libraries & Tools:** Pandas, NumPy
- **Techniques:** Supervised Learning, NLP (Transformer architectures), Logistic Regression, Gradient Descent, Data Preprocessing, Model Fine-tuning
- **Databases:** SQL, MySQL, MongoDB

• Programming Languages:

- C++, Python, Java, SQL

• Networking & Security:

- Cisco Certified Network Associate (CCNA) Certificates:
 - Cisco CCNAv7: Introduction to Networking
 - Cisco CCNAv7: IT Essentials

• Web Development: HTML, CSS, JavaScript

• Mobile Development: Java (Android Development)

Languages

- Arabic: Mother language
- English
- French

References are available upon request