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Data at the Speed of Thought:
How Indium Developed an NLP-Driven Assistant for Merchant Managers

Client Overview

The client is a global technology giant with a mobile app operating in over 900 metropolitan areas worldwide, revolutionizing the transportation industry by offering convenient, cost-effective alternatives to traditional taxis while also expanding into other logistics sectors to broaden its reach and influence.
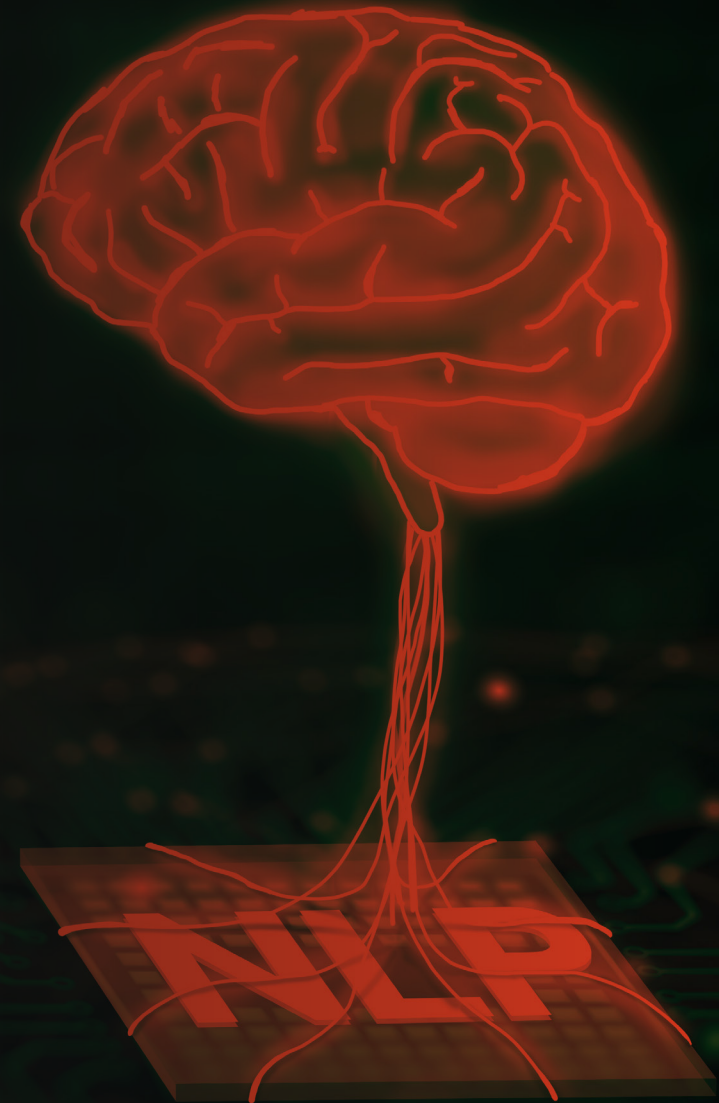
Navigating the Maze of Operational Obstacles: The Challenge of Streamlining Operations

The client faced significant hurdles in automating key operations and maximizing the value of their data. With manual processes holding back their efficiency, they were determined to find innovative solutions for optimizing last-mile operations and data utilization.

The core challenges they encountered included:

Manual Data Handling: The data analyst team was overwhelmed with manually processing data requests, performing analyses, and generating dashboards over long periods, which caused delays and increased the risk of errors.

Inefficient Last-Mile Operations: Finding the right automated solution for optimizing last-mile operations became a major roadblock, preventing the client from achieving operational efficiency at scale.

Unlocking the Power of Historical Data: The client realized the untapped potential of historical data but struggled to effectively leverage it for improving operational decision-making and boosting overall efficiency.

Business Requirements:
Crafting an Intelligent, NLP-Powered Search Experience for Seamless Data Access

To address the operational challenges and drive enhanced efficiency, the client sought innovative solutions that would allow them to unlock the power of historical data and provide users with quick, accurate insights. Here's what they looked for:

AI-Enhanced Search Engine with Historical Query Links: Develop a search engine capable of generating historical query links in response to new requests, utilizing advanced NLP techniques fine-tuned for optimal accuracy.

Seamless NLP Integration for Maximum Efficiency: Smoothly integrate the output of the NLP models with the client's existing environment, ensuring a streamlined, effective utilization of the search engine and a unified experience.

Chatbot Solution for Effortless Data Retrieval: Design a chatbot interface to facilitate easy, chat-based data retrieval, catering to users' preferences for conversational interactions and making data access intuitive and accessible.

Turning Vision into Reality: The Solution That Elevated Data Access

Indium transformed the client's data access experience, delivering an efficient and automated solution that combined NLP, chatbot capabilities, and zero-resource integration. Here's how the solution unfolded:

Harnessing the Power of NLP for Historical Data Access

Leveraged advanced NLP techniques to analyze historical query links via Presto and Spark, processing new requests and fine-tuning the models to deliver optimal accuracy.

Bot Execution: Empowering Seamless Data Interactions with Chatbot

Chatbot Implementation on Client's Platform:
Indium recommended the implementation of a Python-based chatbot into the client's chat platform to enhance communication between Merchant Account Managers and Data Analysts. This allowed for faster, more efficient interactions, leading to quicker response times for data requests.

Familiarity with Existing Systems:
The existing data request system was preserved to minimize disruption and maintain consistency for 800+ business managers. This ensured a smooth transition while retaining the team's comfort with their established process.

NLP Model Integration:
The NLP model's output was seamlessly integrated into the employee chat platform, enabling smooth, real-time data request interactions between account managers and data analysts.

Enhanced Chatbot Utility through Go Lang:
The messaging platform's plug-ins and Go Lang programming optimized the chatbot's functionality, making it an effective tool for tracking, measuring performance, and streamlining data requests.

Automation of Testing and Production:
Testing and production processes were fully automated, with manual intervention eliminated through the integration of CI tools and developer code into the client's environment. This automation enhanced the efficiency and reliability of the system.

Zero Resource Application: Maximizing Efficiency with Effortless Integration

Integration into Client's Chat Application:
The NLP model's output was successfully integrated into the client's chat platform, eliminating the need for separate hosting on a web application. This streamlined the system for enhanced functionality and efficiency.

No Development or Maintenance Overheads:
By ensuring that the chatbot execution required no additional development or maintenance, operational costs and efforts were drastically minimized. The system ran efficiently without consuming additional resources.

Independent Model Output Design:
The model was designed to operate independently of external data tables or servers, enabling seamless future enhancements without the need for external dependencies.

Automated Reporting and Training Updates:
Performance reports for the bots were generated directly within the messaging platform and client ML environment. The system recorded client answers and automated incremental updates for training data, ensuring continuous improvement with minimal effort.

Simplified Troubleshooting with Engineering Focus:
Future execution issues were identified as primarily engineering-related, enabling any engineering team to resolve problems quickly. This streamlined issue-resolution process ensured smooth operation with minimal downtime.

Resource Optimization for Cost Reduction:
By prioritizing zero resource utilization, the solution minimized manual dependencies, reduced potential errors, and significantly optimized project costs, delivering maximum value with minimal investment.

Business Impact: Catalyzing Efficiency and Unlocking Future Growth

▶ **Seamless Symphony:** A Perfect Integration: The chatbot effortlessly integrated into the client's existing employee chat platform, ensuring a smooth transition while preserving established data request workflows without disruption.

▶ **Effortless Evolution:** Zero Maintenance, All Impact: By embedding the chatbot directly into the client's environment, we eliminated the need for backup resources, creating a solution that felt like an in-house creation, requiring zero manual upkeep.

▶ **Data-Driven Brilliance: 95% Efficiency Boost:** Deep exploration of the client's data ecosystem made nearly 95% of chatbot recommendations invaluable to analysts, supercharging the speed and precision of data request handling.

▶ **Revenue Rocket: A Surge in Profit:** The chatbot solution generated substantial revenue in record time, earning high satisfaction within the team and proving its ability to drive remarkable business outcomes.

▶ **Boundless Possibilities: Expanding the Impact:** The successful deployment and performance of the chatbot paved the way for the client to explore additional plug-and-play chatbot solutions across various business applications and regions, unlocking exciting growth opportunities.