

# PTLog

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## What's Done

- Standardized all “empty” returns to **None** and merged the double-filter step into **one loop**.
- Logged in to Hugging Face via `huggingface-cli login` to enable authenticated model pulls.
- Removed the risk of passing a plain **list of strings** to `.search()`; now build a **DataFrame with `qid/query`** and realign results with `groupby("qid")`.
- According to GPT: Because kept failing on using `vllm` in `R1_Searcher`, did a backup process to use huggingface backend when failing.

## Current Issue

- `R1Searcher.search()` returns empty. Assuming its because the model output isn't recognized as a **final answer** (no “Final Answer”/tag/boxed{ } pattern), and it also didn't emit a **retrieval tag**. The current logic then sets `output` to `None`, so the row looks blank.

screen shot from `frame__test__2.ipynb`

```
[15] r1_searcher.search("Who is the singer of Yellow?")
```

	qid	query	context	search_history	qanswer	output	
...	0	1	Who is the singer of Yellow?	Who is the singer of Yellow?	[]	None	None

screen shot from `frame__test__2.ipynb`

```
[19] res = r1_searcher.generate("Who is the singer of Yellow?")
res
```

```
[' Yellow is a song originally written and performed by the British singer-songwrit
```

## Next Steps

- **Broaden `format_answers` patterns** and add a **plain-text fallback**: when no tags are present, treat the first sentence as the answer.
- When there's **no retrieval tag but text exists, keep the raw generation** and store it in `qanswer` instead of nulling it.
- Tighten the prompt:  
“When confident, reply with: *Final Answer: <answer> only.*”  
(Improves match rate for the extractor.)