

# HARSH SINGHAL

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“ Give me the data, and I will turn it into a story ”

Skilled in developing machine learning models and gaining actionable insights from data through statistical analysis in order to make sound business decisions.



## Education

🎓 **Indian Institute of Technology, Roorkee**  
Bachelor of Technology; CGPA: 7.7

Roorkee, India  
May 2018

## Experience

🏢 **Associate** | Goldman Sachs

Jan 2021 - Present

### Used settlement data to predict the probability of failure of any trade

- Built model using CatBoost and inspected SHAP values to generate commentary on top reasons for trade failure; created a Plotly dashboard for backtesting
- Used SMOTE to handle imbalanced classes along with K-fold target encoding of high-cardinality categorical variables to achieve an 0.9 AUC, 60% precision, and 58% recall

### Semi-automated the matching process of inbound payments

- Developed a multi-class random forest model to improve the matching process of inbound payments, saving \$200M per year
- Used TFIDF method to extract features from raw text data to achieve an accuracy of 80%.

🏢 **Analyst** | Goldman Sachs

June 2018 - Dec 2020

### Systematically captured and explained drivers of Unencumbered Securities worth \$15B

- Created attributes for clustering like stickiness, persistence among other behavioral features
- Explored K-means, DBSCAN and hierarchical clustering; used silhouette score and CH-index to optimize the number of clusters

### Built a tool to automate the Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA) process

- Key features include descriptive statistics, variable associations, target variable characteristics, basic data quality checks, and missing value analysis

🏢 **Data Scientist** | Datameteca Solutions Private Limited

May 2017 - July 2017

### Developed a framework for Optical Character Recognition (OCR) of a newspaper

- Created a digitization workflow that segments the entire newspaper image at the article level and extracts the text from each segment.

### Offline Signature Verification using Deep Convolutional Neural Network (CNN)

- Built a model on top of the VGG16 architecture and trained it with transfer learning on the ICDAR SigComp dataset to achieve a 70% accuracy and a 14% false acceptance rate

## Scholastic Achievements

🏆 Secured **1st position** in GS Quantify 2017 competition by Goldman Sachs for 22 top-tier colleges

🏆 Secured **3rd position** in Analyze This 2017 competition by American Express (1k+ teams)

## Personal Projects

🔗 **WhatsApp chat analyzer**: In-depth exploratory data analysis of WhatsApp group chat 📄

🔗 **Nifty 50 Performance in the last decade**: Analysis of annual returns of widely tracked index 📄