

# Defining Rules

Ensuring rules are stressed and enforced

- Critical rules need emphasis. Use ALL CAPS, repetition, strategic placement at the beginning or end of modules
- Eliminate contradictory instructions. If you say "be concise" in one place and "provide extensive detail" in another, the AI will pick one arbitrarily
- Be explicit about constraints - what the AI cannot do is as important as what it can do
- Define argument types strictly and repeat them: string "text in quotes", num without quotes, and likelihood num/1000
- Example of bad rule: "*Respond appropriately*" Example of good rule: "*You must respond using only the functions defined in Response Expectations Module. Do not invent new functions or arguments.*"

# Preventing Hallucinations

## Techniques to keep AIs on track

- Restricting AIs to a specific formatted response is one of the best ways to ensure flawed responses don't happen i.e. `response("this is an example of a response", "This is the second argument to this function")`
- If you choose this method, reiterate to the AI that they cannot make up their own functions or arguments, they will likely try
- Be hyper-specific about requirements, identify and eliminate contradictory prompting that may be confusing the AI
- All caps can be an effective method to stress an aspect to the AI, if necessary