# Harsh Raj



### Education

B.Tech in Engineering Physics, Delhi Technological University, New Delhi, India.

2019-2023

Grade: 8.35/10.0

# Skills Summary

Languages: Python, Java, C++, C, SQL, Unix scripting

Frameworks & Tools: Kubernetes, Docker, GIT, Matlab, Tensorflow, Pytorch, FastAPI

## Experience

Applied Scientist (full-time) (remote), Vijil AI, California, US.

Feb 2024 - Present

- Developed vijil-fuzzer, an LLM red-teaming framework that mutates seed prompts for aggressive behavior and jailbreak scenarios.
- Integrated over 30 open-source benchmarks into the vijil-evaluation service.
- Contributed to vijil-dome and guardrails, integrating guardrails into tools like Langchain with minimal latency impact.

ML Engineer (full-time) (remote), Yield Protocol, Chicago, US.

Sept 2022 - Jan 2024

- Led data synthesis to improve LLMs as agents and built Synchaev, a complete system for agent data generation.
- Developed Mandrill, a framework for fine-tuning LLMs and validation on agent benchmarks. Supervised 10 research interns from the Disruption Lab at UIUC as part of the project.
- Co-created Cacti, a web3 transaction chatbot, in collaboration with a former VP of Quora.
- Built AutoEval, a framework for automating the evaluation of the Cacti bot.

Applied Researcher (intern) (remote), Thoucentric, Bangalore, India.

May 2022 - Aug 2022

- Developed a comprehensive NL2SQL conversion system tailored for data analysis purposes. Incorporated automatic visualization feature with tools like DeepEye.
- Improved the SADGA-GaP framework by introducing pre-processing and post-processing steps, resulting in a 10% increase in accuracy. Additionally, implemented a value-copying mechanism in the model, resolving issues such as missing table names and row values in generated SQL queries.
- Authored a white paper

Data Scientist (intern) (on-site), Attryb Tech, Bangalore, India.

June 2021 - Dec 2021

- Developed the complete pipeline for Content Studio, a tool for generating and analyzing content for blog composition, product marketing, and various other creative writing tasks.
- Finetuned Pegasus and GPT-2 for content summarization and blog headline generation.
- Data mined SemRush and Common Crawl to create the content database.

### **Publications**

Defences against Reverse Preference Attacks (under review, SaTML'24): Domenic Rosati, Giles Edkins, Harsh Raj, David Atanasov, Kai Williams, Subhabrata Majumdar, Janarthanan Rajendran, Frank Rudzicz, Hassan Sajjad

On Transfer of Adversarial Robustness from Pretraining to Downstream Tasks (NeurIPS'23): Laura Fee Nern, Harsh Raj, Maurice Georgi, Yash Sharma

Measuring Reliability of Large Language Models through Semantic Consistency (Best Paper Award, ML Safety, NeurIPS'22): Harsh Raj, Domenic Rosati, Subhabrata Majumdar

Evaluating the Robustness of Biomedical Concept Normalization (Transfer Learning, NeurIPS'22): Sinchani Chakraborty, Harsh Raj, Srishti Gureja, Tanmay Jain, Atif Hassan, Sayantan Basu

Decoding Percepts in Vision Language Navigation: Is it about better features or more data? (under review, ACM TIST): Harsh Raj, Ashutosh Pandey, Shaurya Kumar, Kavinder Singh, Nihal Kumar, Anil Singh Parihar Improving Consistency in Large Language Models through Chain of Guidance (under review, TMLR): Harsh Raj, Vipul Gupta, Domenic Rosati, Subhabrata Majumdar

GANDALF: Gated Adaptive Network for Deep Automated Learning of Features (under review, TMLR): Manu Joseph, Harsh Raj

AskYourDB: An end-to-end system for querying and visualizing relational databases using natural language: Manu Joseph, Harsh Raj, Abhinav Yadav, Aaryamann Sharma

Extract It! Product Category Extraction by Transfer Learning (CICT'22): Harsh Raj, Aakansha Gupta, Rahul Katarya

# **Projects**

## Synchaev (Data Synthesis):

• A framework for synthesizing multi-turn agent-environment conversational language data. The environments include DBBench, Alfworld, Mind2Web, OperatingSystem, and KnowledgeGraph.

#### Repo-Level Prompt Engineering-Solidity (Prompt Engineering):

• An implementation of the paper Repo-Level Prompt Generation to support SOLIDITY code, a widely used programming language in the Blockchain industry.

## Antibody-Antigen Binding Classifier (Computational Biology):

• A graph neural network-based architecture to predict the binding affinity between antibodies and antigens, utilizing the SAbDab dataset for affinity prediction.

## Honors and Awards

**Vision and Language Navigation**: Secured **3rd** place in the SPL metric on the R2R benchmark, a widely recognized Vision and Language Navigation measure. Link to standings. ID: *MLR\_Lab\_DTU*.

ML Safety Challenge: Won NeurIPS'22 Best Paper Award with a cash prize of \$5000.

**Codeforces ML Round**: Achieved **Global Rank 7** and ranked **1st** in the country in the Raif ML Round 1, organized by Raiffeisen Bank International AG. Link to standings. ID: *harsh777111raj*.