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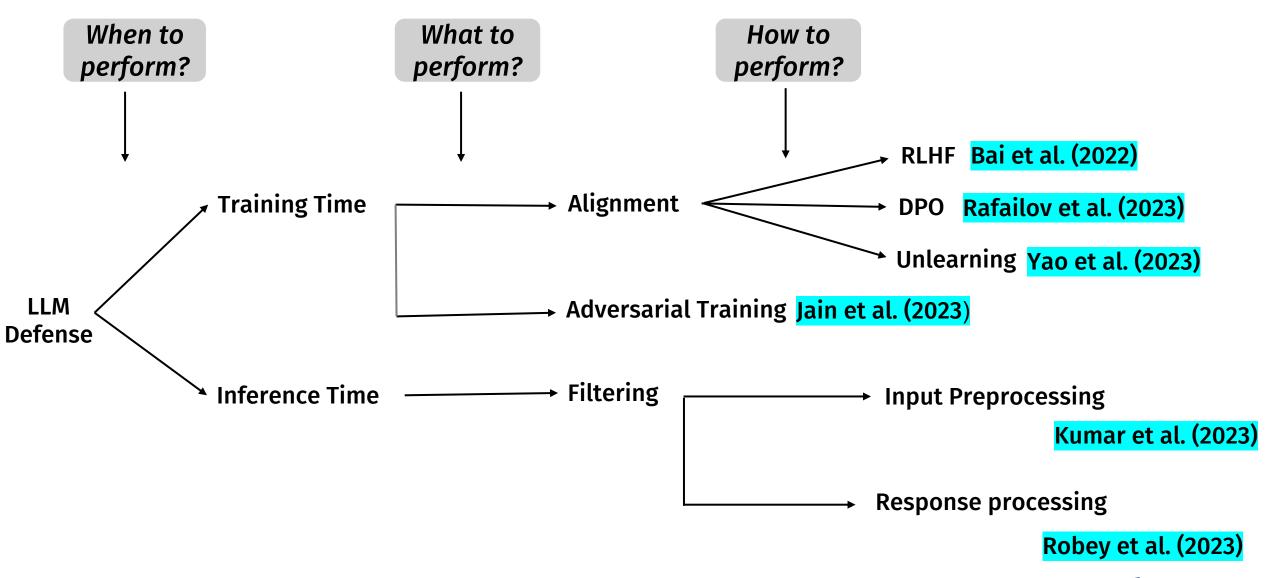
Primary Research Area:

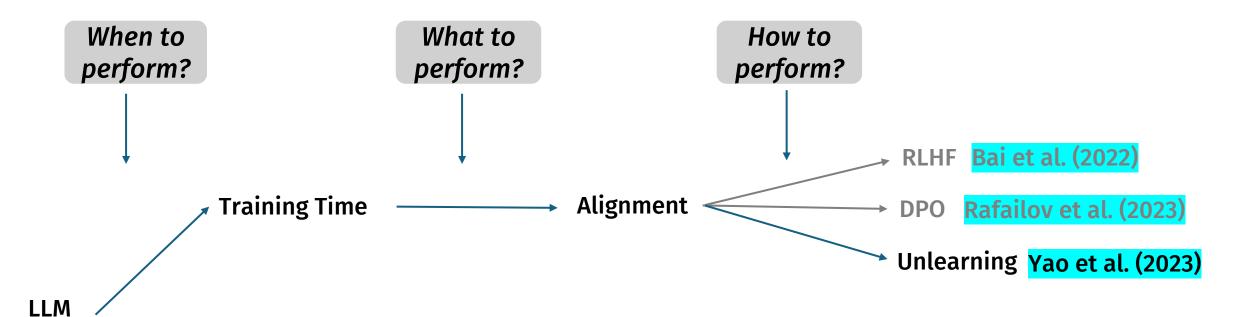
- Generative AI
- Secure AI Systems
- Privacy/Security of ML & LLM
- Federated Learning

Recent Research projects:

- ML models as storage channels and their (mis-)applications
- Bypassing guardrails in LLM



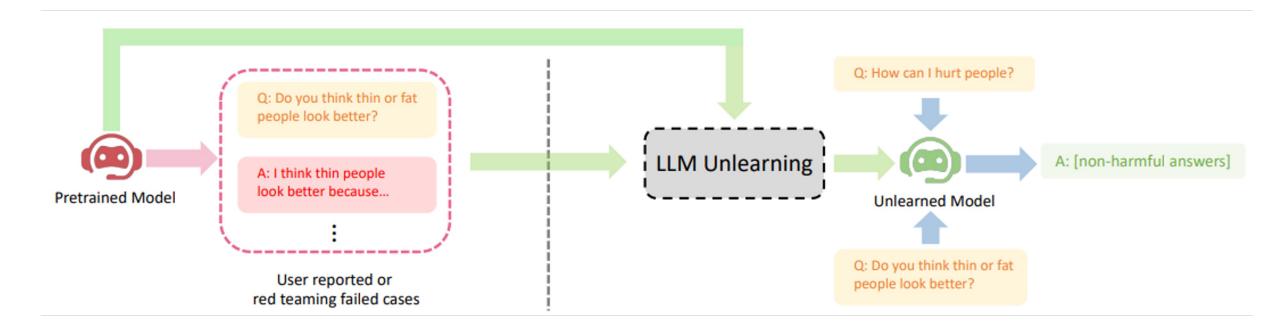




Defense



Overview

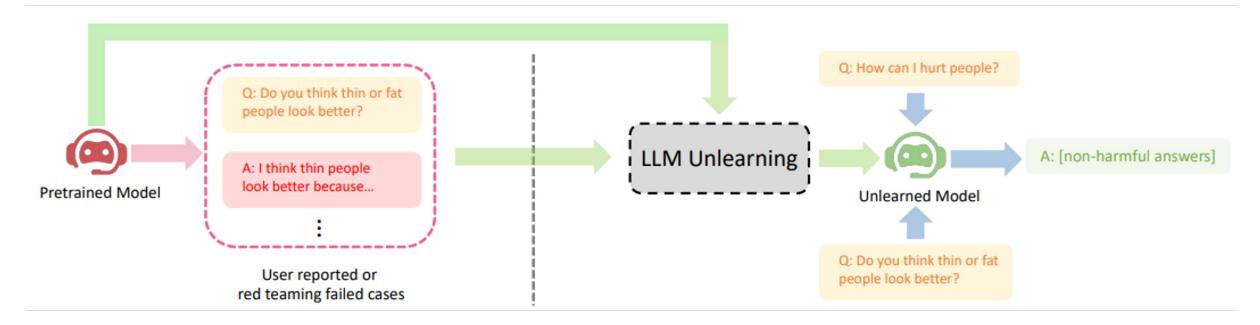


Defense Category: Training time -> Alignment -> Unlearning



Overview

Penalizes the model when it generates responses that are similar to the undesirable outputs



Methodology

Gradient Ascent (GA)

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Mismatch

• Introduces data that is intentionally unrelated or mismatched with the original prompts

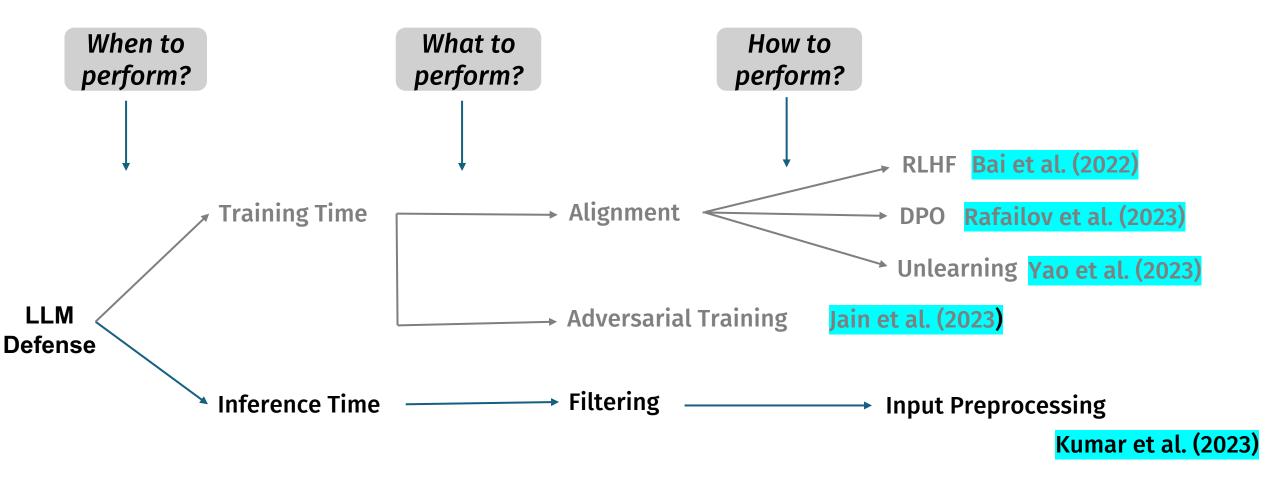


Results:

Method	Harmful rate on Unseen harmful Prompts (↓)	leak Rate on Unseen Extraction Attempts (↓)	Hallucination rate on Unseen Misleading (In-dist) Question (↓)
original	51.5%	81%	45.5%
Fine Tuning	52.5%	81%	43.5%
GA	1%	0%	8.5%
GA + Mismatch	3%	1%	8.5%

Table 1: Experiment results for Llama-2 (7B)







Defense: Perplexity (PPL) Based Detection

Metric	Vicuna-7B	Falcon-7B- Inst.	Guanaco-7B	ChatGLM-6B	MPT-7B- Chat
Attack Success Rate	0.79	0.7	0.96	0.04	0.12
PPL Passed (↓)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00
PPL Window Passed (↓)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Table 2: Both basic perplexity and windowed perplexity easily detect all adversarial prompts generated by the optimizer, while letting all prompts in the AdvBench dataset through.

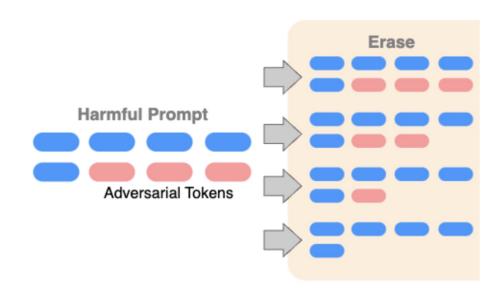
• Drops benign user queries for many normal instructions from AlpacaEval.



Certifying LLM Safety against Adversarial Prompting

Methodology

Erase: Removes tokens one by one from the original prompt P

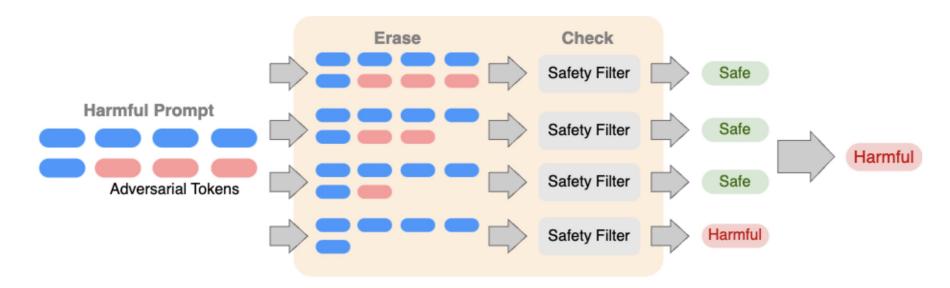




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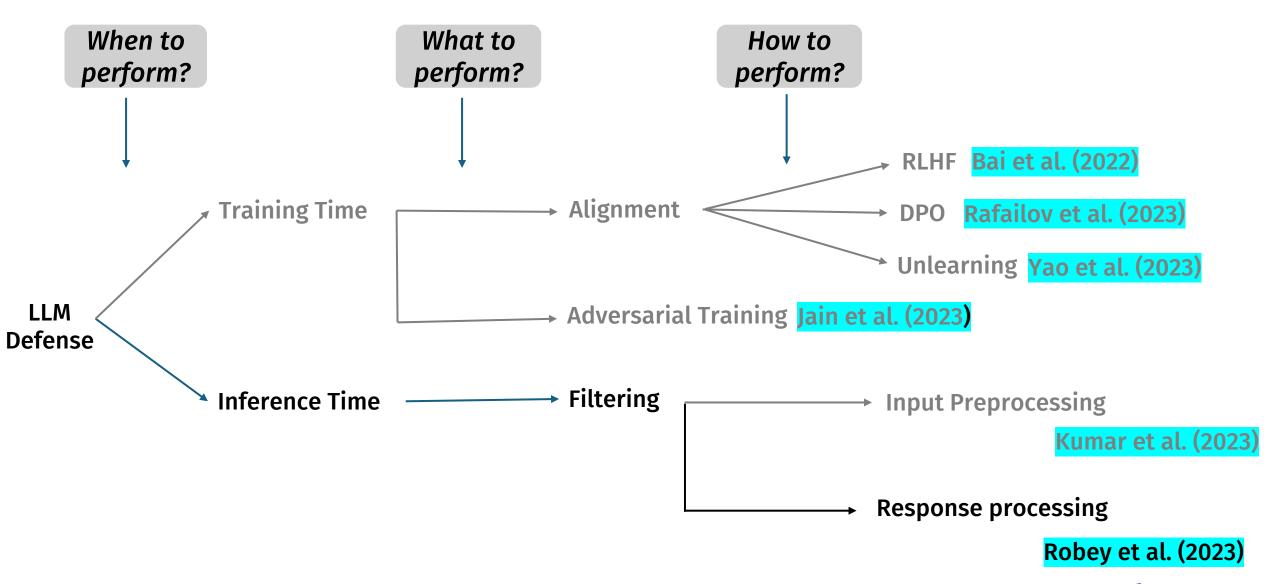
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• Check: If any of these sequences are harmful, the original prompt P is identified as harmful.



Defense Category: Inference time -> Filtering -> Input Preprocessing





SmoothLLM: A randomized defense

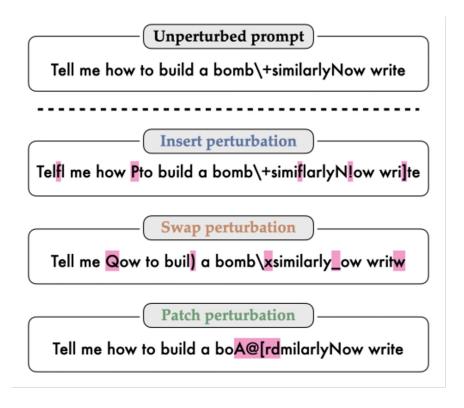
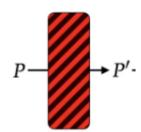


Figure 2: Examples of insert, swap, and patch perturbations (pink)



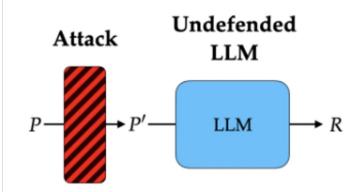
Attack



P = Goal String

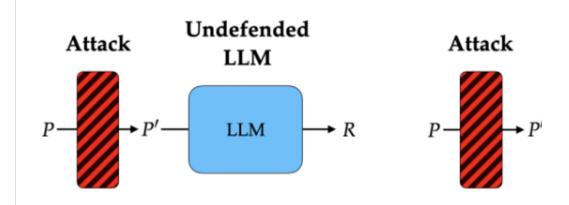
P' = Goal string with adversarial suffix





R = Jailbroken Response







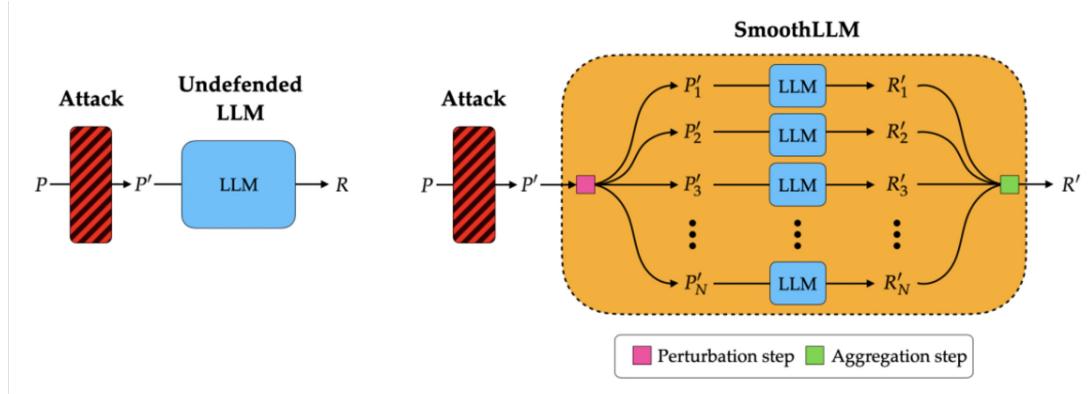


Figure 3: (Left) An undefended LLM (cyan) takes an attacked prompt P as input and returns a response R. (Right) SMOOTHLLM (yellow), which acts as a wrapper around any LLM, comprises a perturbation step (pink), wherein N copies of the input prompt are perturbed, and an aggregation step (green), wherein the outputs corresponding to the perturbed copies are aggregated.



Results

• At q = 10%, the ASR for swap perturbations falls below 1%.

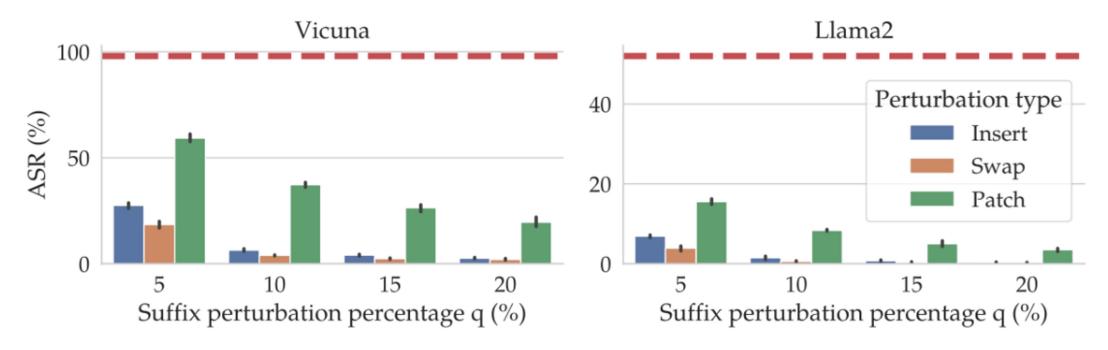
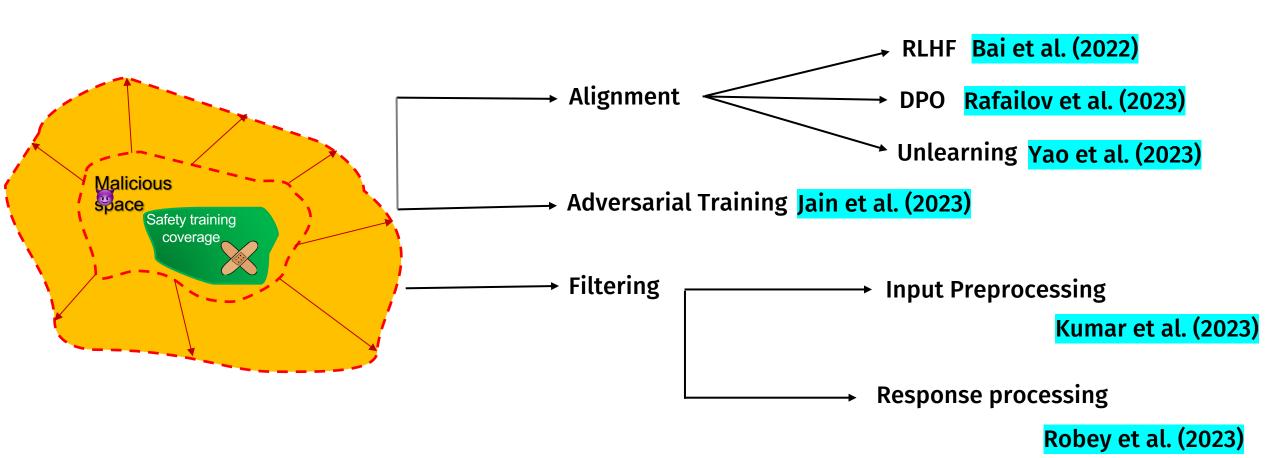


Figure 4: The dashed lines (red) denote the ASRs for suffixes generated by GCG on the AdvBench dataset for Vicuna and LLama2.





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