# Utsav Sharma

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#### Education

New York University, New York, USA

May 2025

Master's of Science, Computer Science

GPA: 3.77

Relevant courses: Data Science, Big Data, Data Visualization, Artificial Intelligence, Database

Management Systems, Open-Source Software Development

Amity University, Noida, India

Bachelor's of Technology Computer Science (AI/ML Honors)

**May 2023** CGPA: 8.44

# **Experience**

## Graduate Research Assistant, New York University

Oct 2023 - Present

- Spearheading the integration of Generative AI Large Language Models (LLMs) (Llama3, Mistral, Falcon) into semiconductor design
- Creating a multi-modal agent-based system using curated datasets on high-performance clusters, employing retrieval augmented generation, and reinforcement learning from human feedback (RLHF), achieving 80% improvement in task-specific accuracy
- Research work "Towards AI Design Assistants for EDA" selected for presentation at the 2024 Student Research Competition (SRC) at the International Conference on Computer-Aided Design (ICCAD) Tier-1 Conference
- Awarded at Student Scholar Program at ICCAD'2024 for exceptional research on LLMs

## Data Science Intern, Hewlett Packard Enterprises

Jan 2023 - Jul 2023

• Developed automated scripts for API data collection and optimized data pre-processing to enhance integration efficiency by 95% for the Indus Army Project

#### ML Research Intern, Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu Limited

Jun 2022 - Jul 2022

• Developed advanced chatbot workflows and researched emerging AutomationAI technologies, achieving a 70% improvement in user experience through optimized machine learning-driven interactions

#### Data Science Intern, She Values

Sep 2021 - Nov 2021

• Engineered and processed 35,000+ job listings via Python web-scraping and applied data transformation to enable seamless feature engineering and AI model training for a recommendation system

## **Projects**

# OpenROAD-Assistant: Domain-Specific Large Language Model For Chip Design

Oct 2023 - Present

Developed an LLM chatbot through advanced retrieval-aware fine-tuning and self-tailored datasets, leveraging the Llama3 foundation model, for both script generation and natural language responses, achieving performance metrics of 77% pass@1, and 98% BERTScore

#### Predictive Analysis of Histopathological Images With Hybrid Algorithms

Jul 2022 - Jun 2023

Enhanced IDC breast cancer detection accuracy to 99% by combining nature-inspired optimization techniques with advanced ML models

#### **Analysis of AI Customer Segmentation Clustering Techniques**

Jul 2021 - Jan 2022

Conducted a comparative study of clustering models (K-means, Hierarchical) with AI frameworks, including TensorFlow 2.0 and Keras

#### **Twitter Sentiment Analysis**

May 2021 - Aug 2021

Designed an NLP model achieving 80% accuracy for sentiment analysis using Naive Bayes and SVM algorithm

# **Publications**

- **OpenROAD-Assistant:** An Open-Source Large Language Model for Physical Design Tasks. Utsav Sharma\*, Bing-Yue Wu\*, Sai Rahul Dhanvi Kankipati, Vidya A. Chhabria, and Austin Rovinski. *ACM/IEEE International Symposium on Machine Learning for CAD (MLCAD '24)*. Sep 2024
- Invited: Generative Methods in EDA: Innovations in Dataset Generation and EDA Tool Assistants. Vidya A. Chhabria, Bing-Yue Wu, Utsav Sharma, Kishor Kunal, Austin Rovinski, and Sachin S. Sapatnekar. *Proceedings of IEEE/ACM International Conference on Computer-Aided Design (ICCAD '24). Oct 2022*
- **EDA Corpus: A Large Language Model Dataset for Enhanced Interaction with OpenROAD.** Bing-Yue Wu\*, Utsav Sharma\*, Sai Rahul Dhanvi Kankipati, Ajay Yadav, Bintu Kappil George, Sai Ritish Guntupalli, Austin Rovinski, Vidya A. Chhabria. *The First IEEE International Workshop on LLM-Aided Design (LAD'24)*. Jun 2024 **Nominated Best Paper**
- Predictive analysis on histopathological images using metaheuristics and machine learning methods. Aditi Ganapathi, Utsav Sharma, Saumya Gupta, Arihan Deshwal, Surbhi Vijh and Sumit Kumar. *International Journal of Bioinformatics Research and Applications, Vol. 20, No. 5*
- **Blockchain in Healthcare: Use Cases**. Utsav Sharma, Aditi Ganapathi, Akansha Singh, Krishna Kant Singh. *Blockchain and Deep Learning for Smart Healthcare*, 2023
- **Analysis of Customer Segmentation Clustering Techniques.** Utsav Sharma, G Aditi, Nihar Ranjan Roy, Shailendra Narayan Singh. *12th International Conference on Cloud Computing, Data Science & Engineering (Confluence)*. January 2022
- A Quantitative Performance Evaluation of Machine Learning Algorithms for Analyzing Sentiments of Emoticons. G Aditi, Utsav Sharma, Sumit Kumar, Jitendra Singh Jadon. 12th International Conference on Cloud Computing, Data Science & Engineering (Confluence). January 2022

### **Key Skills**

**Languages** Python, C, C++, Java, HTML, CSS, SQL, MATLAB

Operating System Windows, Linux, High-performance clusters

Frameworks/Tools PyTorch, Transformers, Pandas, Numpy, Matplotlib, TensorFlow, Scikit-Learn, Keras, Seaborn,

/Technologies NLTK, HuggingFace, Inference Pipelines, Datasets, Unsloth, GitHub, NLP, Apache Spark,

Hadoop, Tableau, CI/CD, MLOps, LLMOps

**Software** Agile methodology, Data Structures, Analysis and Design of Complex Algorithms, Networking,

Business Process Management, Software Lifecycle