# VRINDA KOHLI

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#### **EDUCATION**

Bachelor of Technology, Manipal University Jaipur

2020 - 2024 CGPA: 9.26

Computer Science Engineering

Minor: Data Science

#### **EXPERIENCE**

#### Machine Learning Intern

Jan 2024 - Present

Gloroots, Bengaluru

- Executing fine-tuning and prompt engineering strategies to optimize performance of both open-source and closed Language Models (LLMs) for downstream tasks, alongside developing custom Tavily and Langchain based agents.
- Contributing to development of recommender engines with a focus on scalable and low latency reranking algorithms.

# Research Assistant

August 2023 - Dec 2023

BITLab, Boston University

Supervisor: Dr. Dokyun (DK) Lee

- Contributed to a LangChain based multi-agent environment for experimentation on inter-agent interactions, using additional tools such as SerpAPI and OpenAI models.
- Imparted 6 demographic specific features to agents and studied their correlation with misinformation spread, observing emergence of real-world patterns in agent behavior.
- Reviewed 8+ papers on the usage of LLM backed Agent Based Modeling and Simulation.

# Undergraduate Researcher

July 2023 - Current

Supervisor: Dr. Niloofar Mireshghallah

• Developed experimentation pipelines for observing the correlation between Differential Privacy and hallucinations in language models for Q/A tasks. [Project on hold]

Research Intern

May 2023 - August 2023

Supervisor: Dr. Rahul Katarya

Delhi Technological University

- Implemented and validated 7 recent research papers on Deep Learning aided Metaphor Detection.
- Achieved 2% average accuracy improvement over existing methods during experimentation.
- Used transfer learning and transformer models for flash flood detection using geospatial raster imaging, improving performance by 8%.

#### Undergraduate Researcher

Jan 2023 - July 2023

Manipal University Jaipur

Supervisor: Mr. Harish Sharma

Supervisor: Mr. Lakshay Sharma

- Developed a lightweight algorithm agnostic to various JPEG compression techniques, enabling efficient detection of AIgenerated art on social media platforms.
- Demonstrated exceptional performance in the detection of AI-generated art by achieving competitive results (over 95% accuracy) while utilizing less than 10% of the training data typically required, showcasing the effectiveness of the algorithm in resource-constrained environments.

#### Research and Development Intern

July 2022 - Nov 2022

Trish-i, IIT Mandi Catalyst

• Achieved up to 94% accuracy using Tensorflow and Keras on bone health condition analysis by using YOLO and VGG models, and deployed Flask applications.

• Finetuned aforementioned models, leading to an 11% performance spike.

#### RESEARCH PROJECTS

# Cracking the Figurative Code: A Survey of Metaphor Detection Techniques

Presented, ADCIS 2023

# [ Preprint ]

- Survey paper on automated metaphor detection accepted for presentation and publication in the conference proceedings of ADCIS'23 (September, 2023).
- Analyzed and categorized 15 prevalent approaches into three categories, providing insights into the strengths and weaknesses of each, extracting findings to aid future research.

# JPEG-Compression Agnostic Identification of Generative Art

Under Review

- Achieved over 95% accuracy on the detection of art generated by StyleGAN2 and Stable Diffusion by using a novel combination of Image Processing and traditional Machine Learning techniques.
- Achieved exceptional performance combining ensemble models with CNNs, maintaining robust performance even in the presence of JPEG compression typically encountered on social media platforms.

# Forecasting Wind Turbine Power Generation

Under Review

- Performed a comparative analysis of time series forecasting using LSTM networks and hybrid Transformer models.
- Demonstrated the superior forecasting capabilities of attention augmented hybrid models in terms of both speed (25% faster) and reliability (similar accuracy).

#### Observing the Privacy-Utility Tradeoff in Differentially Private Medical Text Classifiers

Under Review

Benchmarked performance of transformer models (BERT, DistilBERT and RoBERTa) under varying epsilon privacy budgets.

#### PERSONAL PROJECTS

**ART-ViT**: A vision transformer implementation for art classification.

GitHub

- Used Python and PyTorch to implement ab initio the ViT model outlined in the original research paper.
- Finetuned Vision Transformers to gain a test accuracy of 92%.

**ShakespeareGPT**: Generatively Pretrained Transformer for generating Shakespearean-style quotes.

GitHub

- Developed a barebones PyTorch GPT model from scratch including components such as Multihead Attention.
- Experimented with various tokenizers to compare performances.

PATE implementation: Semi-supervised Knowledge Transfer for DL from Private Training Data.

GitHub

- Implemented the infamous PATE paper for Differentially Private training using PyTorch and PySyft.
- Comparison with DP-SGD on MNIST is underway.

# ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS

- Dean's List (Semesters 5 and 6)
- Received the Academic Excellence Award at Manipal University Jaipur.

#### POSITIONS OF RESPONSIBILITY

Vice President, The Music Club, MUJ

June 2022 - May 2023

• Lead a student organisation of 350+ students, organised 7 large scale events, helped conduct workshops to boost the music culture of the university.

# Writer's Society Head, LITMUS, MUJ

May 2021 - May 2022

Conducted 8 workshops and feedback sessions which helped 50+ students improve their writing skills.

#### TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages Python, C/C++, JavaScript, SQL

Frameworks PyTorch, PyTorch Lightning, Flask, Django

DatabasesPostgreSQL, MongoDBToolsGit, Linux, Figma, GCP