HEALTH CHECK-UP APPOINTMENT TRACKING SYSTEM: A COMPREHENSIVE WEB APPLICATION FOR EFFICIENT PATIENT-DOCTOR INTERACTION

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ABSTRACT

Healthcare practitioners’ workloads and diagnosis accuracy are greatly increased by the automation of medical image identification and classification through the use of conventional neural networks and machine learning and image-based classification techniques. In scientific and technical applications, the Health Check-up Appointment Tracking system has been increasing popular in this field. This paper introduces the Health Check-up Appointment Tracking System, a scalable web application built with flask server to facilitate communication between patients and doctors, manage patient information, and expedite appointment scheduling. The system consists of three login modules make up the system: Admin, Doctor, and Patients. The system offers intuitive interfaces tailored to specific needs of each user. From managing medical certificates and appointment schedules to providing advanced features such as symptom-based disease classification and image-based diagnosis, the system aims to improve efficiency, accessibility, personalized healthcare experience, optimized resource utilization and quality of healthcare services for both patients and healthcare providers.

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1INTRODUCTION

By integrating machine learning and image-based classification, such as convolutional neural networks[1], they have contributed significantly to automating the recognition and classification of medical of medical images and significantly improved the diagnostic accuracy and workload of medical professionals.

The Health Check-up Appointment Tracking System is a sophisticated web-based application developed to revolutionize the way appointments are scheduled, patient information is managed, and communication between doctors and patients is facilitated. This system aims to provide a comprehensive solution that enhances the overall healthcare experience for both patients and healthcare providers[2].

At its core, the Health Check-up Appointment Tracking System embodies a commitment to efficiency, convenience, and patient-centric care. Through meticulous attention to detail and innovative design, the system seamlessly integrates three key stakeholders - administrators, doctors, and patients - to create a cohesive ecosystem that enhances every aspect of the healthcare journey [3]. For Administrators, the system offers unparalleled control and oversight, communicate effectively with patients through automated email notifications. This administrative backbone ensures the smooth operation of healthcare facilities, enabling administrators to allocate resources efficiently and optimize patient flow. For patients, the system offers a seamless registration process and intuitive user interface for scheduling appointments and accessing healthcare services. Patients can register with their personal information, including name, email, and contact details, and log in to view available appointment slots, choose their preferred doctor, and book appointments at their convenience. Additionally, patients can utilize advanced features such as symptom-based disease classification and image-based diagnosis, enhancing their access to healthcare resources and information.

For doctors, the Health Check-up Appointment Tracking System represents a paradigm shift in patient management and communication. With comprehensive access to patient appointment details and the ability to update medical records in real-time, doctors can deliver personalized care with unparalleled efficiency[4]. This seamless flow of information fosters collaboration among healthcare providers, ensuring continuity of care and enhancing patient outcomes.
II. LITERATURE SURVEY

Ali Ala and Feng Chen [3] paper in their paper titled “Appointment Scheduling Problem in Complexity Systems of the Healthcare Services: A Comprehensive Review” seeks to provide the appointment scheduling problem in healthcare systems, highlighting challenges and solutions found in the existing literature. Their paper summarizes methodologies, algorithms, and technologies used for optimizing scheduling efficiency and operational effectiveness in healthcare settings. This review aims to offer valuable insights for practitioners and researchers while identifying future research directions in this important area of healthcare management.

Akinode et al [5] in their paper titled “Design and Implementation of a Patient Appointment and Scheduling System” proposed and described the working of a computer-based system for patient appointment scheduling in healthcare settings. The paper outlines the design considerations, functionalities, and implementation details of this system, aiming to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of appointment scheduling processes within healthcare facilities. The goal is to present a practical solution that can streamline scheduling operations, enhance patient experience, and optimize resource utilization in the healthcare environment.

Marouane Ferjani [6] in his paper “Disease Prediction Using Machine Learning” investigated and demonstrated the effectiveness of the ML algorithm in predicting diseases based on patient data. The paper aims to explore how various machine-learning techniques can be applied to healthcare datasets to build predictive models for identifying and forecasting diseases. By leveraging machine learning, to improve early detection, diagnosis, and prognosis of diseases, ultimately contributing to better healthcare outcomes and personalized patient care.

Saleh et al [8] in their paper titled “Deep convolutional neural network for face skin diseases identification” presented a pre-trained deep convolutional neural network (CNN) approach for automating the diagnosis of facial skin diseases. Initially, the images were enhanced through preprocessing techniques to expand their database size. These images were then gathered from various sources and resized to match the network’s requirements.

Md. Khalilia et al [9] in their paper, “Predicting disease risks from highly imbalanced data using random forest”, sets detailed information about the methods used such as dataset selection (for imbalanced data), and data preprocessing in which the first step was to parse the data set, randomly select N records, and extract relevant features. Every record is a collection of characters that are not delineated. The beginning and ending columns in the ASCII file for each data set are specified in the data set instructions. The authors have decided to create their program to carry out the parsing instead of using the SAS program that HCUP offers.

Yu et al [10] in their case study “Application of SVM modeling for prediction of common diseases: the case of diabetes and pre-diabetes”, the evaluation and test datasets are utilized to focus on SVM. The training dataset undergoes 10-fold cross-validation, and performance statistics are computed to evaluate accuracy.

Arumugam et al [7] in their paper “Multiple disease prediction using Machine learning algorithms” tell us about naïve bayes, decision tree is used to predict multiple diseases. The process of determining a condition based on a person’s symptoms and indicators is known as medical diagnosis. In the diagnostic process, multiple diagnostic procedures, like diagnostic tests, are performed. Diagnosis of chronic illnesses is a vital issue in the medical industry based on many symptoms.

III. METHODOLOGY

Block Diagram

Figure 1: Block diagram of proposed system
1. Data Collection
Gather relevant data sources, including patient records, medical images, and symptom description, ensuring data quality and compliance with privacy regulations.

2. Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA)
Conduct exploratory data analysis to understand the characteristics and distributions of the dataset. Visualize data patterns, identify outliers, and explore potential correlations between variables to inform model selection [12].

3. Feature Engineering
Perform feature engineering to extract meaningful features from raw data that can improve model performance. Utilize domain knowledge to create relevant features, transform data, and handle missing values or outliers appropriately [13].

4. Model Selection and Training
Select appropriate AI&ML and deep learning architecture based on nature of the problem and the characteristics of the data. Split the dataset into training, testing and validation to evaluate model performance and prevent overfitting. Train models using the training data, tuning hyperparameters and optimizing performance metrics on the validation set [14].

5. Evaluation And Validation
Evaluate model performance using appropriate evaluation metrics, such as accuracy on the test set [14,15].

6. Deployment And Integration
Deploy trained models into production environments, ensuring scalability, reliability, compatibility with existing systems. Integrate machine learning components seamlessly into the Health Check-up Appointment Tracking System, allowing for real-time inference and decision-making.

IV. ALGORITHMS USED
Random Forest
It’s a popular ML algorithm that belongs to the supervised learning technique. It is the idea of ensemble learning, which is the act of merging several classifiers to address challenging issues and enhance the model's functionality. The term “Random Forest” indicates a classifier comprising multiple decision trees trained on different subsets of the provided dataset. By averaging their predictions, it enhances the predictive accuracy of the dataset. The following diagram elucidates the functionality of the Random Forest Algorithm.

Figure 2: Working Diagram - Random Forest
VGG16

VGG16, a CNN, stands as a pinnacle in computer vision models owing to its meticulous design and architectural choices. Through thorough evaluation and experimentation, its creators discovered that augmenting network depth with compact (3 × 3) convolutional filters yielded remarkable enhancements over preceding configurations. This strategic deployment of small filters enhanced feature extraction capabilities, enabling more nuanced interpretation of image data. VGG16 has since become a cornerstone in image classification because of its robust performance and seamless integration with transfer learning methodologies. Its simplicity and adaptability have solidified its status as a preferred choice among practitioners for a wide array of computer vision tasks[8].

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VI. RESULTS

The Health Check-up Appointment Tracking System has demonstrated remarkable success in revolutionizing healthcare appointment management, facilitating seamless communication between doctors and patients, and optimizing resource allocation within medical facilities. Administrators have reported significant improvements in their ability to manage doctor credentials, oversee appointment scheduling, and communicate effectively with patients. Patients have embraced the system's user-friendly interface and innovative diagnostic tools, including symptom-based and image-based disease classification systems.
VII. CONCLUSION

The system will feature an intuitive and user-friendly interface accessible to administrators, doctors, and patients. Each user will have a personalized navigation tailored to their specific role and responsibilities within the healthcare ecosystem.

Patients can easily schedule appointments through the system, selecting their preferred doctor, date, and time slot from the available options. The system will check for conflicts in the doctor's schedule and notify patients of any conflicts.

The system will maintain EHR for each patient, storing information such as medical history, diagnosis. Doctors can easily access and update patient records during appointments.

This system also uses ML and DL model for disease classification based on symptoms entered by patient and automatic doctor recommendation system can classify diseases, patients can also get classifications on image inputs like MRI scanned images for brain tumour, Xray images for bone fracture, and skin disease.
REFERENCES


