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Med-Chatbot: Predicting Diseases From Symptoms Using NLP

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Abstract— Med-chatbot focuses on developing a symptom-based disease prediction chat-bot using Natural Language Processing (NLP) and incorporating multilingual support. The chat-bot is designed to interact with users, understand their symptoms, and predict potential diseases based on the input. By leveraging machine learning models, the system analyzes the user's description of symptoms and provides a probable diagnosis. The chat-bot's purpose is to enhance accessibility to healthcare information and assist users in identifying potential health issues early on. The chat-bot uses NLP techniques to understand and process human language, making the interaction more natural. The system's effectiveness is further enhanced by its machine learning backend, which continuously improves as it processes more data. This can be useful in both personal healthcare management and as a preliminary diagnostic tool in telemedicine platforms.

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I. INTRODUCTION

The development of a Med-Chatbot represents a significant advancement in the intersection of healthcare and technology, leveraging Natural Language Processing (NLP) and machine learning to provide users with a user-friendly tool for preliminary disease diagnosis. This innovative chat-bot allows users to describe their symptoms in natural language, which the system processes to predict potential health issues. By simulating human-like understanding, the chat-bot enhances accessibility to vital healthcare information, offering early insights that can guide users in seeking appropriate medical attention. With the rise of telemedicine, this chat-bot serves as both a personal healthcare management tool and a preliminary diagnostic resource, bridging the gap between patients and healthcare providers.

The integration of sophisticated NLP techniques ensures that communication remains intuitive and engaging, allowing users to feel more comfortable discussing their health concerns. Through continuous learning and adaptation, the Med-Chatbot aims to provide accurate predictions while maintaining user privacy and data security. As a result, it not only empowers individuals to take charge of their health but also fosters informed decision-making in a rapidly evolving healthcare landscape. Finally, it stands to revolutionize how users interact with healthcare systems, making essential information readily available at their fingertips.

II. RELATED WORKS

[1] Jui-Hsuan Lee, Eric Hsiao-Kuang Wu, Member, IEEE, Yu-Yen Ou , Yueh-Che Lee, Cheng-Hsun Lee, and Chia-Ru Chung,"Anti-Drugs Chat-bot: Chinese BERT-Base Cognitive Intent Analysis" in IEEE Transactions on Computational Social Systems, VOL.11, NO.1, FEBRUARY 2024. The Anti-Drugs Chat-bot uses a BERT-based model to address drug abuse among youth by analysing online conversations for potential addiction signs. It operates on platforms like Line and Telegram, detecting drug-related queries and assessing user intent. The chat-bot categorizes behaviour into seven main intents: injection, inhalation, ingestion, temptation, supplying, transportation, and manufacturing. By leveraging natural language processing, it aims to provide early warnings to professionals for intervention, targeting the curiosity and peer influence that often drive drug use.

[2] Sanjay Chakraborty, Hrithik Paul, Sayani Ghatak, Saroj Kumar Pandey, Ankit Kumar, Kamred Udham Singh, Mohd Asif Shah. "An AI-Based Medical Chatbot Model for Infectious Disease Prediction", IEEE Access, Vol.No.10, 06 December 2022. The "AI-Based Medical Chatbot Model for Infectious Disease Prediction" utilizes artificial intelligence to predict infectious diseases based on user symptoms, facilitating early diagnosis and intervention, especially during crises like COVID-19. Built with Long Short-Term Memory (LSTM) networks and Natural Language Processing (NLP), it achieved 94.32% accuracy. The

chatbot offers personalized interactions, real-time information on hospitals and treatments, and integrates with health organizations to combat misinformation, showcasing its potential for future infectious disease management and advancements in healthcare technology.

[3] Sanjay Kumar M1, Vishnu Prasad Reddy G1 , Sai Ganesh K V1 , and N. Malarvizhi2 ,"Medbot-Medical Diagnosis System using Artificial Intelligence " in EAI Endorsed Transactions on Smart Cities 10-2021 - 03- 2022 ,Volume 6 ,

Issue 17. Medbot is an AI-driven medical chatbot designed for diagnosing skin and eye-related health issues, emphasizing the role of virtual assistants in healthcare. It allows 24/7 interaction via voice or text, streamlining appointments and consultations. Built with PHP and MySQL, Medbot uses the Random Forest algorithm for accurate diagnoses by comparing user symptoms to an internal database. The system connects patients to specialists, enhancing healthcare access and user engagement, showcasing the potential of AI chatbots in reducing healthcare burdens and supporting telemedicine.

[4] Ashish Zagade , Vedant Killedar , Onkar Mane , Ganesh Nitalikar , Smita Bhosale,"AI-Based Medical Chatbot for Disease Prediction" in International Journal for Multidisciplinary Research (IJFMR), Volume 6, Issue 3, May-June 2024. AI-Based Medical Chatbot discusses an AI-driven healthcare chatbot that predicts diseases based on user input through Natural Language Processing (NLP). It diagnoses conditions, offers preventive measures, and recommends treatments. The system improves healthcare accessibility, particularly during the pandemic, by connecting patients with real-time medical support. Future developments include advanced machine learning techniques, integration with wearables, and expansion to cover more diseases. The user-friendly interface allows symptom input via text or predefined options, enhancing health management while addressing scalability and privacy concerns.

III. EXISTING SYSTEM

The existing system in this research revolves around creating a chatbot designed to detect and analyze drug-related conversations. The system employs a BERT-based language model tailored to the Chinese language to address issues related to drug addiction and abuse, focusing on providing anti-drug education. The system is divided into several components. First, it includes sentence domain detection, which checks if the user's input is drug-related. The chatbot performs a binary classification task to distinguish whether the input belongs to the drug domain. A pre-trained Chinese BERT model is fine-tuned using drug-related and non-drug-related sentence datasets to classify input effectively.

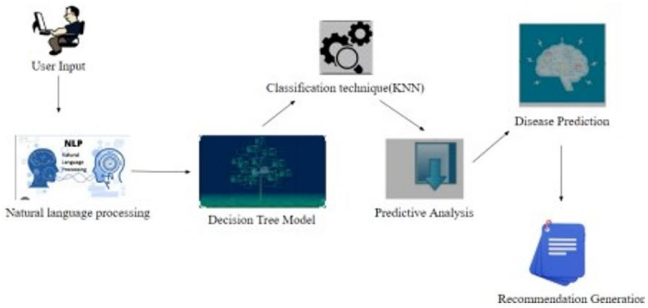
Once an input is classified as drug-related, the system detects the user's intent. The intents are categorized into seven types: Injection, Inhalation, Ingestion, Temptation, Supplying, Transportation, and Manufacture. These categories focus on drug abuse methods and risky behaviors, helping the system identify potential threats from the input. The system further recognizes any named entities in the user's input, such as specific drug names. The named entity recognition task is conducted using the BERT model, identifying keywords associated with drugs from the input.The chatbot employs both rule-based and retrieval-based responses. Rule-based responses handle simple queries through predefined rules, matching particular keywords or patterns. For more complex cases, retrieval-based methods are employed to find answers from a QA-pair dataset. The anti-drug dataset is composed of queries, QA pairs, and articles related to drug abuse and prevention, while the general dataset is used for non-drug-related queries. The chatbot achieves high accuracy in both intent detection and named entity recognition tasks.

IV. RESULTS AND DISCUSSIONS

The "Symptom-Based Disease Prediction Chatbot Using NLP" is an AI-powered health diagnosis chatbot designed to help users predict diseases based on their symptoms. This system leverages machine learning, specifically algorithms like Decision Trees and KNN Algorithm, to analyze user-reported symptoms and match them to potential medical conditions. The process begins with the user interacting with the chatbot by entering their symptoms in natural language. The chatbot then processes the input using natural language processing (NLP) to identify the key symptoms and extract patterns relevant to certain diseases. Once the symptoms are identified, the machine learning model—trained on a dataset that maps symptoms to diseases—analyzes the symptoms and suggests possible conditions based on learned patterns. The chatbot provides not only predictions but also recommendations. After suggesting a potential disease, it offers guidance on possible treatments, precautions, or next steps the user can take. The user-friendly interface ensures that even non-technical users can easily interact with the chatbot, making it more accessible for a broad audience. The model is built using pre-processed data on symptom-disease mappings, and the chatbot continuously improves its predictions as more data is fed into the system. In terms of architecture, the chatbot applies Decision Trees and KNN to identify patterns in symptom data and predict diseases with a high level of accuracy. As more data becomes available and as the system is further fine-tuned, the chatbot's performance is expected to improve. By making health

insights accessible to more people, the chatbot can contribute to early disease detection and better health management, ultimately leading to improved health outcomes across diverse populations.

V. SYSTEM ARCHITECTURE



This system begins with the user providing input, such as symptoms or descriptions of their condition. This input is processed through natural language processing (NLP) to extract meaningful information from the text. NLP interprets the symptoms and converts them into structured data for further analysis.

Next, the structured data is passed through a decision tree model. This machine learning algorithm makes decisions based on the input features, breaking down the symptoms step by step to provide a likely diagnosis. Following this, the classification technique K-nearest neighbors (KNN) is applied. KNN compares the current user's symptoms to those of others in a database, identifying similar cases to classify the disease based on the closest matches.

After the classification, predictive analysis is conducted to refine the results and increase the accuracy of the disease prediction by using patterns from historical data. The system then generates a prediction for the most likely disease based on the combination of decision tree outputs and KNN classification.

Finally, the model provides recommendations based on the predicted disease. These recommendations could include possible treatments, medical tests, or advice to consult a healthcare professional, guiding the user with actionable steps based on the analysis.

VI. RESULT

The chatbot allows users to input symptoms in natural language, making it user-friendly. It preprocesses the text through tokenization and cleaning to extract relevant symptoms. The system checks for recognized symptoms and analyzes them using machine learning models to identify potential diseases. If a disease is predicted, the chatbot generates health-related recommendations, including treatment suggestions and advice to seek medical help. Finally, it presents the predicted disease(s) and recommendations, concluding the interaction with a concise response.

VII. CONCLUSION

The Disease Symptom Prediction Chatbot repository presents a robust solution for leveraging AI and Natural Language Processing to assist users in identifying potential health issues based on their symptoms. By utilizing machine learning algorithms, the chatbot effectively analyzes user inputs to provide preliminary diagnostic insights and healthcare recommendations. The project highlights the importance of accessible healthcare tools, especially in the context of increasing demand for virtual medical assistance. Future enhancements could include expanding the dataset for improved accuracy, integrating multilingual support, and refining user interaction capabilities. Overall, this chatbot represents a significant step toward making healthcare more accessible and efficient for diverse populations.

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