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Abstract

With the increasing use of information technology in healthcare, healthcare applications allow people to access a range of health information and services online. However, the vast amount of digital health information available can make it difficult for individuals to find personalized and relevant information about diseases, treatments, and diagnoses. Health recommender systems (HRS) are designed to assist users in finding personalized information that is most likely to be accepted by the user, and are used to provide medical suggestions for diseases or treatments, as well as recommenders for healthcare services such as personalized exercise routines and nutrition plans. While HRS can be useful in reducing the time and cost of the decision-making process, they can also be error-prone and lack personalization and trustworthiness. This chapter provides an overview of the current state of research in HRS, including the various approaches and techniques used in their development, as well as the challenges and future research opportunities in the field of personalized HRS.

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1. Introduction:

1.1 Overview of the Project:

With the advancement of information technology used in healthcare, the presence of healthcare applications allows people to access a range of health information and services using the internet. The availability of online health information and services has dramatically changed the ways in which people search and consume health information. Recent research shows that the internet plays an important role in how people manage their own health. People seek and greatly rely on the health information available online. Today, many people search for health-related information over the internet and make their decisions based on the information available. However, with the massive increase of digital information in the health sector around the world, it is difficult to search for personalized and relevant information regarding any disease, treatment, or diagnosis. Online health information also presents some inherent challenges such as information reliability, authenticity, and user privacy issues. The overload of available information makes people more vulnerable to exploitation and misinformation.

1.2 Motivation

The motivation for this project is to improve the effectiveness and efficiency of recommender systems in the healthcare domain. Recommender systems have the potential to assist healthcare professionals and patients in finding relevant and personalized information, as well as making more informed decisions about treatment and care. However, with the increasing volume of digital information in the healthcare sector, it can be challenging to find and evaluate the most appropriate recommender systems for specific applications.

1.3 Scope & Objective

The scope of the project is to improve the effectiveness and efficiency of recommender systems in the healthcare domain, and help healthcare professionals and patients access relevant and personalized information more easily. This has the potential to greatly benefit individuals by improving their

access to accurate and relevant health information, as well as healthcare professionals by providing them with a more efficient and effective way to search for and access information.

Our objectives in this study are-

- To undergo a systematic review of various recent contributions in the domain of recommender systems, focusing on diverse Healthcare applications.
- ii) Analyse the various applications of each recommender system and evaluate all the datasets gathered, simulation platform, and performance metrics focused on each contribution.
- iii) Provide an overview of the current state of research in this field and point out the existing gaps and challenges to help posterity in developing an efficient recommender system.
- iv) *Conduct an algorithmic analysis of various existing recommender systems.
- v) *Collect diverse datasets and frame a taxonomy that accounts for various components required for developing an effective recommender system for diverse applications.
- vi) *Development of an efficient recommender system.

1.4 Existing System

There are various health care recommender systems currently in use. Some examples include:

Disease diagnosis and treatment recommender systems: These systems use machine learning algorithms to analyze patient data and provide recommenders for diagnosis and treatment based on the patient's symptoms and medical history.

Nutrition and exercise recommender systems: These systems provide personalized recommenders for nutrition and exercise plans based on the user's age, weight, height, and other factors.

^{*(}iv, v and vi) are the major project objectives

Medication recommender systems: These systems provide recommenders for medication based on the user's symptoms, medical history, and other factors.

Symptom checker recommender systems: These systems allow users to enter their symptoms and receive recommenders for possible causes and next steps.

Health news recommender systems: These systems provide personalized recommenders for health news articles and other information based on the user's interests and needs.

Mental health recommender systems: These systems provide recommenders for mental health resources and treatments based on the user's symptoms and needs.

1.5 Problem Definition

Nowadays, a vast amount of clinical data scattered across different sites on the Internet hinders users from finding helpful information for their well-being improvement. Besides, the overload of medical information (e.g., on drugs, medical tests, and treatment suggestions) have brought many difficulties to medical professionals in making patient-oriented decisions. These issues raise the need to apply recommender systems in the healthcare domain to help both, end-users and medical professionals, make more efficient and accurate health-related decisions.

1.6 Proposed System

This systematic review will provide a much-needed overview of the current state of research in this field and points out the existing gaps and challenges to help posterity in developing an efficient recommender system. Analyze the numerous applications of each recommender system and assess the simulation platform, performance metrics, and datasets collected for each contribution. To assist future generations in creating a successful recommender system, give an overview of the status of research in this area and identify any gaps or difficulties. Analyze existing recommender systems using an algorithmic perspective, assemble several datasets, and Create a taxonomy that

includes all the different elements needed to build a reliable recommender system for a range of applications. creation of a useful recommender system.

2. Theoretical Background

2.1 Types of techniques used in recommender systems:

The various types of techniques used in recommender systems are contentbased filtering techniques, collaborative filtering techniques, knowledge-based techniques, and hybrid techniques.

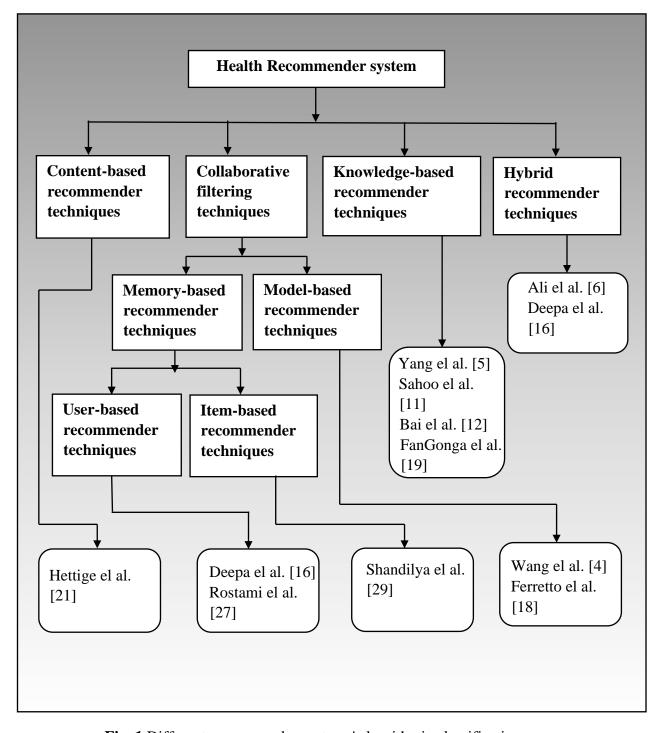


Fig. 1 Different recommender systems' algorithmic classification

- rate items according to their preferences. Looking into the history of the user's ratings, a user profile is built consisting of other items having similar features to those items which the user liked previously. This user profile is specific only to that user. Items from that user profile are then recommended to the user. In the context of HRS, this approach can be interpreted as follows: "If a patient has previously requested or liked some healthcare services/treatments available or one health condition, then in the future he will be recommended similar healthcare services related to that condition".
- ii) **Collaborative** filtering techniques: Collaborative filtering-based recommender techniques are based on the assumption that users who share similar interests in the past would agree in the future as well. The basic idea behind this technique is to capture the user's preferences by using some implicit or explicit measures. Distance or correlation between the preferred items and new items is then calculated and collected in a matrix, called the utility matrix. Based on the matrix values, new items are then recommended to the user. Collaborative filtering techniques are of two types: memory-based recommender techniques and model-based recommender techniques. Memorybased recommender techniques are again divided into two types: user-based (when the recommenders provided are based on user similarities) and itembased (when the recommenders provided are based on item similarities). Modelbased techniques make use various of machine learning and data mining algorithms to develop a model to recommend a new item. In the case of HRS, this technique can be interpreted as follows: "If users share similar disease profiles/health conditions, then will be recommended similar /healthcare services in future
- **Knowledge-based recommender techniques**: This technique is useful when there is a limited amount of information available about an item. That is, the item features or properties are not well known. In such cases, new items are recommended based on explicit user preferences. In the case of HRS, this

technique can be interpreted as follows: "If a patient is lactose intolerance, then he will be recommended medications that are completely free from lactose".

iv) Hybrid recommender techniques: A hybrid technique is a combination of two or more filtering techniques described above. Each of the above-mentioned techniques has its own set of advantages and disadvantages. A hybrid technique is a combination of different approaches in order to address the limitations of individual recommender techniques. The performance and accuracy of many recommender applications are typically improved by this hybrid combination of approaches.

2.2 Various recommender systems applicable for healthcare:

The various types of recommender systems applicable to the healthcare domain are as follows:

- Diagnosis decision support-based recommender systems: Diagnosis decision support-based recommender systems are used to assist a physician with one or more component steps of the medical diagnostic process. This type of system primarily focuses on knowledge-based approaches, where patient data such as lab report data, family history, demographic information, etc. is fed as an input to the system. It also considers well-established medical facts automatically ingested from medical publications. The main function of the system is to find what worked for similar patients in a similar condition and recommend that to the user in the form of a ranked list of "most-likely" diagnostics.
- ii) Medicine recommender systems: Medicine recommender systems take advantage of data analytic techniques and artificial intelligence to explore potential knowledge from diagnosis history records and help physicians to prescribe medication correctly. A recommender of right medicine based on diagnosis can target healing and decrease trial-and-error when prescribing drugs. This can may further decrease undesirable drug side-effects.

- **Food recommender systems:** The food recommender system is used to provide suggestions on user's food choices for making decisions on healthier food and eating habits. Due to a busy lifestyle, lack of food preparation time, and a wide variety of available food / packaged food items, many people fail to maintain a balanced diet. In many cases, they tend to fall short of the required daily nutrition, which in the long run may lead to chronic diseases. A food recommender system considers both user preferences and nutritional information and recommends personalized, balanced food-intake advice to the user.
- iv) Health status prediction systems: Health status prediction systems use advance machine learning algorithms to capture complicated relationships between self-reported health issues and their outcomes to predict the current health status of the users. These systems are generally designed for older patients and patients with existing co-morbidities. These systems are often equipped to take inputs from wearable body sensors and alert the user in case of any problems. Now a days such systems are used in many advanced smart bands and smartwatches.
- v) Physical activity recommender systems: Physical activity recommender systems consider the user's current health status and other demographic information such as age, gender, etc. and recommend a daily routine of physical activities and workouts to the user. These systems are often inbuilt in wearable devices, and they continuously gather user data such as the number of calories burnt, steps taken during the day, heart rate, etc.
- vi) Healthcare professional recommender systems: Often patients find it challenging to select the best medical professionals for treating their health issues. This problem is common with patients who have recently moved to a new place or have been recently diagnosed with a disease. Due to the enormous number of medical consultants available online they may find it difficult to consult a new healthcare professional. A healthcare professional recommender system can assist the patient find the best doctor by generating a ranked list of

the top preferred doctors available near that geographical location. However, such systems face many challenges such as trust issues, information reliability, and authenticity.

3. Methodology

The purpose of this study is to understand the recent research trends related to recommender systems. Such recommender systems are among the key components of any healthcare system. Thus, research in healthcare recommender systems is scarily vague as it is spread across various domains, in the formality of various areas, from Health status, Medicine, Food, Diagnosis, Physical activity, and Healthcare personnel. Hence, this literature review gets conducted across a wide range of journals and webbased research databases such as IEEE/IEE Library, Google Scholars, ACM, Springer, and Science Direct. The search process of online research articles was undertaken, based on 6 descriptors: "Health Recommender systems", "Medicine Recommender systems", "Food Recommender system", "Physical activity Recommender system", "Healthcare professional Recommender system", and "Diagnosis decision support-based Recommender systems". The following research articles sought below were excluded from our research:

- News articles.
- Master's dissertations.
- Non-English papers.
- Unpublished papers.
- Research papers published before 2014.

We have selected a total of 104 articles from internationally indexed periodicals based on their abstracts and content. However, only research papers that described recommender systems related to healthcare could be chosen. Then, 30 research papers were chosen from Scopus and E-SCI in 2022. We now present the PRISMA flowchart of the inclusion and exclusion procedure in Fig. 1. Each paper was carefully reviewed and classified into 6 categories in the application fields, and 4 categories in the technique used to develop the system. The number of relevant articles was acquired from Expert Systems with Applications (26%), followed by IEEE (23%), collaborative filtering system (20%), and Others (31%).

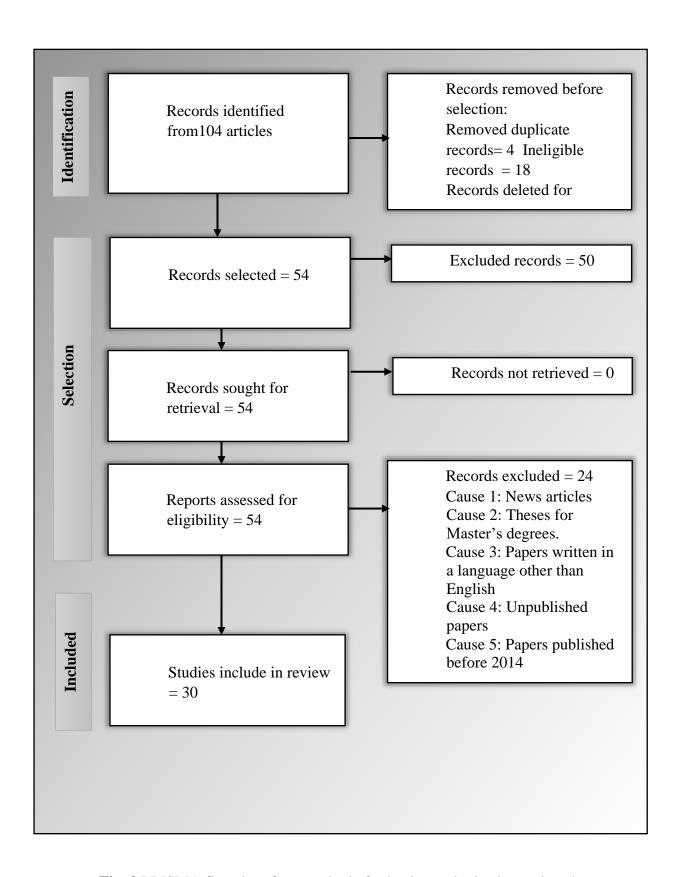


Fig. 2 PRISMA flowchart for a method of selection and rejection and study appropriate abstraction and substance.

Table. 1: Distribution of articles by

Journal title	Journal title No	% (approx.)
Expert Systems with Applications	8	26
IEEE Access	7	23
Collaborative filtering system	6	20
Others (various Elsevier journals)	9	31
Total	30	100

Table. 2: Domain-wise article distribution

Domain	No	% (approx.)
Diagnosis decision	5	16.6
Medicine	5	16.6
Food	5	16.6
Health status	5	16.6
Physical activity	5	16.6
Healthcare professional	5	16.6
Total	30	100

Table. 3: Features and challenges

Reference	Methodology	Features	Challenges
Mazzaglia el	trial arm and	general practitioner;	Need more data to build a
al. [1]	baseline exposure	lipid-lowering drugs; primary care physician; antiplatelet drug.	precise system
Dean el al. [2]	Bayesian belief network	High accuracy	Limited data set
Nair el al. [3]	Apache Spark, Scala	High performance, it offers remote health monitoring to users with a hassle-free	The dataset used in the work is not so big a dataset so small generic errors occur.

		experience in real-	
		time.	
Wang el al. [4]	collaborative	High performance,	when applying the
	filtering, clustering	recommend the most	algorithm to a real system,
		suitable doctor	the efficiency will be rather
		according to the	low owing to the massive
		patient's condition	data
Yang el al. [5]	SVM-machine-	high performance,	The system needs to
	learning algorithm	personalized	improve its recommended
	with decision-trees	recommender,	content and techniques.
		personalized therapy	
		solutions	
Ali el al. [6]	Machine learning,	High performance, it	There is no feedback
	Data Acquisition,	can also provide	mechanism introduced
	and Processing,	educational	that's why it's not able to
	Context	recommenders to	monitor whether or not the
	Generation.	users.	user acted on the given
			recommender and records
			the user's opinion on the
			generated recommender.
Mokdara el al.	Deep learning	High accuracy	Model is dependent on
[7]			user's dataset
Huang el al.	CML-kNN	High accuracy	No integrating textual and
[8]			monitoring data, Need
			more diverse data
Chen el al. [9]	Apriori algorithm,	high performance,	Good for the limited data
	Density-Peaked	low latency response	set
	Clustering		
	Analysis (DPCA),		
	and Apache Spark		
	cloud computing		
	platform.		

Akbulut el al.	machine learning	high accuracy and	The communication
[10]	approach,	high performance.	between system
	Microsoft Azure		components is not
	ML		encrypted.
Sahoo el al.	Clustering, big	It offers real-time	The collaborative filtering
[11]	data analysis	remote monitoring	method will have
		of vital signs with	scalability issues as
		high precision.	participants and items
			increase in number.
			Another issue is that the
			cold start problem arises
			when HRS has sufficient
			data on a specific physician
			or patient to make accurate
			predictions.
Bai el al. [12]	Textual	It improves the	Highly dependent on
	resemblance and	accuracy of all	Wikipedia clinical notes: -
	multi-labels	macro F1 and	ICD-9 and ICD-10 codes
	classification	macro-AUC models	
		by a large margin	
Zamanifar el	hidden semi-	It significantly raises	Highly dependent on
al. [13]	Markov model,	the accuracy of all	Wikipedia clinical notes: -
	Baum-Welch	macro F1 and	ICD-9 and ICD-10 codes
	algorithm, DHSP-	macro-AUC models.	
	tree construction		
Toledo el al.	AHPSort as multi-	Day-by-day meal	No recipe
[14]	criteria choice	sketch	recommendations are
	evaluation tool		included in the meal plan
			that is built daily and uses
			long-term data to create the
			menu.
Swarnalatha el	Sentiment	High performance,	facts about hospitals are
al. [15]	Analysis, Data	high accuracy,	received from comments

	Analysis, and		and critiques published by
	Natural-language		people the world over in
	Processing		special public forums via
			internet crawling through
			the numerous websites of
			the worldwideweb and it
			may be incorrect
			information.
Deepa el al.	Red-black tree,	High performance	The proposed system isn't
[16]	spanning tree,		uses real-world dataset
	binary tree, B+		because it has difficult
	tree, Merkle hash		computations.
	tree, and		
	collaborative		
	filtering		
Kadri el al.	Decision tree	good performance,	There is no GPS sensor to
[17]	method, machine	able to give good	track the kilometers for
	learning and deep	physical activity	walking and jogging like
	learning	recommenders to	dynamic activity in the
	techniques, and	user	current system.
	bidirectional long		
	short-term		
	memory		
Ferretto el al.	Collaborative	High performance	According to the validation
[18]	Filtering	can be employed for	results, the recommender
		additional uses by	model only received about
		adding various	75% of the vote.
		groups of individual	
		aspects.	
FanGonga el	Knowledge graphs	High Accuracy, less	Depends on medical
al. [19]	and EMRs,	harmful medicine	records so, this model is
	Embedding	recommending	not suitable for new types
			of diseases

Mondal el al.	Relational data	Good performance	Only patient preferences
[20]	model, Neo4j		for treating doctors and a
	NoSQL graph		patient population with a
	database, MySQL		range of doctor visits are
	and PostgreSQL,		used in the paper's
	multilayer graph		investigation of the trust
	data model.		issue. The degree to which
			patients and doctors may
			trust one another, however,
			may depend on a number
			of other crucial aspects.
			These reflect both the
			cultural, linguistic, ethnic,
			and social origins of
			doctors as well as their
			behaviours, attitudes, and
			values.
Hettige el al.	Medical Data	Visit Embedding	Limited data set
[21]	Graph Embedding,	Uncertainty, Code	
	V -C attributed	Embedding	
	bipartite graph	Uncertainty,	
	temporal sequence	Interpretation of	
		code embeddings,	
		Mortality prediction	
Kwan el al.	multilevel meta-	Heterogeneity	Need more improvements
[22]	analysis model	between studies,	
		clustering outcomes	
Sengan el al	State of the art	High performance,	The users will attain
[23]	advising	PRIPRO can provide	respiration issues while
	frameworks and	recommender	doing exercise, due to
	cryptographic	solutions with high	skipping alone, and there
	techniques.	bandwidth.	are some disturbances
			whereas skipping within

			the user is hard to
			calculate.
Choudhury el (Google Firebase,	High accuracy, high	The current system is
al. [24]	Deep Neural	performance, and	lacking of google map
1	Network, Radio	able to recommend	navigation features and
I	Frequency	best nearest hospital.	system is only on web
I	Identification card,		application on not in
1	NodeMCU, Global		mobile app.
I	Positioning		
	System		
Pitchai el al.	Cloud computing	The Generic Med	Issue about the privacy of
[25]		Cloud (GMC) and	patient data, Health
		Local System	information, employee
			information, and credit
			card information
Mahyari el al.	Attention	High accuracy and	Personalized recommender
[26] r	networks, Active-	high performance	systems are very difficult
1	learning, and		to design when there is no
	deep-learning		training dataset, especially
			for first-time users.
Rostami el al.	Graph clustering	content-based,	Improvement and need for
[27]	and deep-learning	collaborative	additional datasets
		filtering-based	
Zhang el al. I	Pareto-based	Healthy food	Limits data, need more
[28]	algorithms	suggestion	user related objects.
Shandilya el al.	Collaborative	High accuracy and	Not suitable for all kind of
[29] H	Filtering	more advanced then	users
		old system	

Silva el al. [30]	SWOT Analysis	Assured semantic	Lack of support in mobile
		interoperability,	devices and control over a
		Smart data access	text field Input.
		binding, and easy	
		integration with	
		different health	
		informatics	
		structures	

Table. 4: Description of the dataset and implementation

Reference	Application	Dataset description and size
Mazzaglia el al. [1]	Computerized decision support system for pharmacological management	N/A
Dean el al. [2]	an aid in clinical decision- making tool for pneumonia patients treated in emergency rooms.	digital clinical record
Nair el al. [3]	Remote health status prediction system with real- time feature	Cleveland.data is a legitimate dataset that has been processed. Heart Disease Data Set is the dataset in question. The dataset has 14 properties that are labelled, and the class label attribute indicates if heart disease exists or not
Wang el al. [4]	Doctors Recommender Algorithm	The dataset used in the proposed system is real-world based that is the information of 200 doctors in Tianjin Nankai Hospital. The data set includes the basic information of doctors, academic information, and the

		assessment information given by the
		patients.
Yang el al. [5]	Intelligent Health	The dataset used in the system is from
	Recommender System	1047 volunteers' data which is used to
		training and testing the data.
Ali el al. [6]	Hybrid recommender	Not available.
	framework	
Mokdara el al.	food recommender system	Thai food
[7]		
Huang el al.	Clinical decision support	Electronic health record (EHR)
[8]	framework for managing	
	health data	
Chen el al. [9]	Recommender system for	Medical disease data from hospitals
	diagnosis of disease and	
	treatment	
Akbulut el al.	Health status prediction system	Dataset is real-world based, it is a
[10]		clinical dataset. The dataset consists of
		96 numbers of pregnant women, ages
		of the women are between 18–41.
Sahoo el al.	Intelligence-based health	Dataset is real-world based, that is a
[11]	recommender system	healthcare dataset. The dataset
		contains 1-5 ratings for 500 doctors
		from 10,000 patients.
Bai el al. [12]	Knowledge Source Integration	The datasets are ICD-9 diagnosis code
	framework for medical code	pages from Wikipedia and the
	prediction	MIMIC-III dataset
Zamanifar el	Health status prediction system	The datasets used in the method are
al. [13]		MIMIC III and Arrhythmia data set.
		The MIMIC III dataset is taken from
		PhysioNet.

Toledo el al.	Food recommender system	N/A
[14]		
Swarnalatha el	Med-Recommender System	The dataset is real world i.e., hospital
al. [15]	Wied-Recommender System	data. The dataset contains 150 tuples
ai. [13]		and the 150 tuples have a diverse
		range of 8 specialties and 78 hospitals.
		Then 300 tuples were set to feed the
		algorithm, which has 11 different
		specialties and 121 different hospitals.
Deepa el al.	Hybrid Context-Aware	N/A
[16]	Recommender System	
Kadri el al.	Physical activities	The dataset used in the approach is
[17]	recommender system	collected from WISDM (Wireless
		Sensor Data Mining).
		The dataset consists of 1,098,207
		samples of different physical activities
		that were gathered using six
		parameters and 36 individuals. User,
		x, y, and z accelerations, activity, and
		timestamp are the properties. Jogging,
		walking, going upstairs, going
		downstairs, standing, and sitting were
		among the activities.
Ferretto el al.	Physical Activity	The dataset is authentic. The
[18]	Recommender System	information was gathered at the
		Clinics Hospital in Passo Fundo, RS,
		Brazil. In the dataset 9 resident
		physicians of cardiology perform a
		questionnaire with 51 hypertensive
		patients that were randomly presented.

FanGonga el	Safe Medicine Recommender	Date set is real word based, eg:
al. [19]		MIMIC-III, Drugbank and ICD-9
		ontology and two medical knowledge
		graphs.
		Data set for MIMIC-II - It contains
		distinct 46,520 patients, 650,987
		diagnoses and 1,517,702 prescription
		records that associated with 6,985
		distinct diseases and 4,525 medicines.
		Data set for contains 13,000
		international standard codes of
		diagnoses and the relationships
		between them.
		Data set for The medical knowledge
		graph version3 contains 8,054
		medicines, 4,038 other related entities
		(e.g., protein or drug targets) and 21
		relationships.
Mondal el al.	Trust-based doctor	The patient-doctor multilayer dataset
[20]	recommender system	is an authentic dataset. 5300 records
		from various hospitals and health
		facilities are part of the collection.
		Some data elements, including patient
		names, contact information, and
		physician names, are omitted from the
		dataset and replaced with synthetic
		values for privacy and security
		concerns.
Hettige el al.	Med Graph- an effective EMR	chronic liver disease (CL). and heart
[21]	embedding framework.	failure (HF) are included in the data
	<i>G</i>	collection .

Kwan el al.	Computerized clinical decision	Medline up to August 2019
[22]	support system	
Sengan el al	Privacy-protected Physical	The dataset used in the model are -
[23]	Activity recommender system	PAMAP Dataset and HAR.
		The PAMAP dataset contain 18
		comprehensive physical activities
		under taken by 9 subjects.
		The HAR dataset is a collection of
		data from fifteen people that contains
		details on fifteen different categories,
		including motion, services,
		geolocation, gyroscope, sunshine,
		magnetic flux, and ambient noise.
Choudhury el	Hospital recommender system	It is not an actual dataset. Hospital
al. [24]	framework	rating data from Kaggle, which is
		made available by the Centers for
		Medicare and Medicaid Services, was
		utilized to develop the neural network
		models.
Pitchai el al.	Generic medicine	Medical data of the patients
[25]	recommender system	
Mahyari el al.	recommender system for	The dataset used in the proposed
[26]	physical exercise	system are- mHealth and MovieLens
		datasets.
		100,000 user IDs, movie IDs, user
		movie ratings, and timestamps are
		included in the MovieLens dataset.
Rostami el al.	User-based food recommender	The dataset consists of 52,821 food
[27]	system	items divided into 27 classes. From
		2000 to 2018, 1,093,845 reviews,
		68,768 people, 45,630 food items, and

		33,147 ingredients were gathered from Allrecipes.com crawling
Zhang el al.	Balanced diet recommender	The dataset used in the system is
[28]	system	MyFitnessPal app data. The MFP data set contains 1.9 million records of meals. It was recorded from 9.8K MyFitnessPal users on 71 K food items from September 2014 to April 2015.
Shandilya el al. [29]	Mature-Food- a food recommender system	medical history of any UIHC patients with CKD.
Silva el al. [30]	Clinical decision support system	N/A

4. Literature Review or Related Work

In 2014, Mazzaglia el al. [1] The proposed model is mainly designed for the patients to improve high-risk in cardiovascular diseases as a primary treatment, It is seen that this model is also helping diabetic patients. The author selects the following - Type 2 diabetes mellitus (T2DM) and acute myocardial infarction (AMI) stroke, as over 8% adult population are suffered by these diseases The system first read the data from t its database, then it scan the medications data from the last 6 months as well as prescribe data. after analyzing patients' data, it displays reminder messages for the best medications

In 2015, Dean el al. [2] a decision support system is proposed for emergency patients with pneumonia, the proposed system uses a Bayesian belief network for recommenders, it also embedded with an electronic clinical record. Then system makes a calculation for disease severity assessment which also includes disposition, antibiotic selection and diagnosis testing, "primarily based on the Infectious Disease Society of America/American Thoracic Society 2005 and 2007 pneumonia treatment guidelines."

In 2017, Nair el al. [3] developed a real-time remote system that predicts the user's health status. The system works by using Spark and its machine learning library MLlib, and from the available health data, a decision tree model is created, which is then applied to the steamed data to allow the user to remotely predict health status. The user posts on twitter health data, which would be filtered in near real-time by the app, and then a machine learning model is applied to the obtained health data to predict health status. The process works by analyzing the data with a decision tree model and transferring a direct message to the user regarding their health status.

Wang el al. [4] designed an algorithm that recommended doctors based on collaborative filtering and clustering techniques. The algorithm will also evaluate comprehensive physician quality, such as basic physician information and scores provided to physicians by patients. Diseases also required doctor's favors, recommending the most suitable doctor to the patient. The algorithm mainly relies on two pieces of data information. This is information for associates of academic papers published by a particular doctor and patient score information for doctors. The process involves three steps. These are the calculation of the similarity of doctors in academic

achievements, the prediction of the score of an unknown doctor with the similarity information and the score of a certain doctor, and the calculation of the basic and comprehensive scores based on the ranking indices.

Yang el al. [5] developed a system which is known as emHealth system. The developed system is an intelligent health recommender system that can make depression predictions for emotional health. The system monitors and improves the psychological and physiological state of users by providing personalized therapeutic solutions for patients experiencing emotional distress. Within the emHealth system, the system is designed as a personalized mobile phone application that collects emotional data of users with a tendency to be depressed, and based on the collected data, a prediction model is created, which is developed using a machine learning approach using a decision tree and SVM. provides personalized recommenders and intelligent decision-making solutions.

In 2018, Ali el al. [6] proposed a hybrid recommender framework. The framework can provide recommenders for physical activities and diets that support wellness and requirements to the user in a comprehensive manner and provide educational recommenders that assist in increasing the user's level of awareness of the wellness domain. The proposed framework addresses three key aspects of wellness promotion. These are educational recommenders, physical activity recommenders, and dietary recommenders. The framework consists of two modules – the main module, which serves as the framework's operational engine, and the supporting modules, which manage the primary module.

Mokdara el al. [7] The suggested approach draws pertinent components from a database of recipes for the user's favourite foods that is made available before system use. A deep neural network model analyses the consumer profile after features from the evaluation of preferred substances are extracted (DNN). Additionally, the technology keeps a database of user profiles and a history of the meals they have chosen. The model will predict the ensuing dishes using a temporal prediction model on the profile and consumption history. Customer satisfaction is analysed using the hit ratio, which is a measurement of whether a person selected the advised food or not. Additionally, the recommender's accuracy and reach are looked at. Based on the experiment's results,

Huang el al. [8] the proposed model combine heterogeneous health information structure distinctive sources, along with lab-tests, patients health data. K-Nearest

neighbours in a extending the algorithm for multi-label research utilising label correlations (CML-kNN). After first employing the dependencies between every pair of labels to replace the initial label matrix, the CML-kNN algorithm executes multilabel learning to estimate the possibilities of labels by using the built-in features. Finally, it gives doctors recommenders for the top N diseases. The effectiveness and viability of the suggested CDS framework are established through experimental effects on real-world clinical data in the area of health.

Chen el al. [9] a system for diagnosing diseases and making treatment recommenders based on patient inspection reviews introduced. To perceive sickness signs and symptoms extra precisely, For clustering disease-symptoms, a Density-Peaked Clustering Analysis (DPCA) approach is presented. Additionally, the Apriori algorithm is used to perform affiliation analyses independently for disease-diagnosis (D-D) recommenders and disease-treatment (D-T) rules.

Akbulut el al. [10] designed a system that predicts the health status of the fetus. The system uses machine learning techniques to offer pregnancy care and medical services. The proposed system consists of a site in mobile that is intended for patients, an application website that is intended for doctors, and a database that collects data and subsequently a prediction system. The proposed system has five modules — mobile application, web application, database, mobile services, and prediction system. The suggested system seeks to offer services for pregnant women and physicians via an online help system that is composed of a mobile site app for patients, a web app to their doctors, a database that collaborates between the patients' and doctors' sides, and a prediction system.

In 2019, Sahoo el al. [11] created a health recommender system that offers people useful data depending on their input. The system gathered a lot of data, such as patient research health records, risk assessments, and the severity of different diseases, and then used analytics tools to analyze the enormous data and suggest potential outcomes. The method makes recommendations for diet, exercise, diagnosis, and treatment or medication. The framework's architecture is divided into three sections. The first step is gathering data. This section compiles information and categories from the healthcare system's data source. The process of data analysis, which might produce recommendations customized to a person's health, is the next component of the

framework. Visualization is the framework's last component. It includes components that may have an impact on the suggested items and how they are displayed.

Bai el al. [12] proposed an end-to-end information source integrated technique that compares the outputs of a base method with the results of calculating the similarity score between clinical data and disease-related data from Wikipedia entries. Any neural multi-label prediction model may include external data sources using the model. The intersection of a clinical note and an external information source is a crucial part of the KSI system, which entails using a learning algorithm to choose crucial properties in the intersection set. The score for each piece of information that matches the note is then determined. The KSI framework frequently outperforms the baseline model at predicting unusual codes. The KSI framework also clarifies the outside information that backed the forecast.

Zamanifar el al. [13] proposed an approach that can predict healthcare status in an IoT application. The proposed approach predicts based on the HSMM model and uses a special sensor to record the patient's health status, i.e., physical status, objects, and environmental status. The approach that detects the patient's health status is not cost-effective because it needed a significant number of sensors and which is expensive and it also inconvenient for patients to wear it. The suggested model makes predictions about the health condition of nursing home patients using a tree structure network.

Toledo el al. [14] the present paper proposes a universal framework for daily meal graph suggestions, in contrast to prior studies that lacked this global viewpoint. Its fundamental component is the simultaneous storing of nutritional- and preference-aware data. The proposal incorporates a pre-filtering step where items that aren't the best fit for the characteristics of the contemporary person are eliminated using AHPSort as a multi-criteria choice evaluation tool. Additionally, it contains a stage for developing a daily meal sketch based on optimization, with the goal of suggesting meals the user could enjoy unexpectedly, haven't eaten in a while, and that meet his or her daily nutritional requirements.

Swarnalatha et al. [15] designed and developed a recommender system that helps users in the finding of the best hospital for a specific treatment. The system works by collecting data from various websites, data such as comments and reviews submitted by people to hospitals in various public forums using web browsing. The data is then

processed by the Textblob natural language processing tool. Then the intelligence algorithm selects the hospitals and ranks them.

Deepa el al. [16] proposed a mechanism that uses collaborative filtering to rank physicians based on their performance and the system is a hybrid context-aware recommender system. The recommender system is essentially for E-Health care, that is in the implementation of HCARS-EHC. The suggested solution is effective because it relies less on computing complexity and more on privacy protection, recommender systems, and assessment.

In 2020, Kadri el al. [17] developed a recommender system for predicting daily physical activities for users based on WHO references. The system uses data from a smartphone accelerometer to make health recommenders. The system first collects the smartphone sensor data and processes the data, then predicts physical activity using the machine learning and deep learning algorithms. The three-step process is the foundation of the predicted approach. These include data processing, movement activity prediction utilising machine and deep learning algorithms, and dynamic activity calorie computation for making decisions about physical behaviour.

Ferretto el al. [18] created a system that recommends physical exercise to hypertension patients. In order to create a physical activity recommender system, they first created a user profile model for the hypertensive user, which they named HyperModel2PAR. Although the HypeModel2PAR user profile model is largely focused on advising physical activities, the technology may be used for other reasons as well. This new trait gives the model flexibility and adaptability since it enables adaption in a specific setting.

FanGonga el al. [19] develop a model to generate a heterogenous graph consisting of Medical knowledge graph and Electronic Medical record(EMRs). It is consists of 'DRugbank, ICD-9 ontology, and MIMIC-III', then the model recommend medicine by embedding disease, patients, medicines by calculating the lower space of dimension and it generates a disease-patient graph.

Mondal el al. [20] proposed to develop a doctor recommender system for patients. The recommender system will be built on a multi-layer graph data model. The recommender system is meant to be used to choose a doctor from a list of available doctors in a distant healthcare situation. The paper also includes a patient-physician

relational model and a trust factor model for the proposed system. A multilayer graph approach is used in the system architecture to achieve the proposed goal.

Hettige et al. [21] a medicine recommender system called MedGraph is developed. The model makes patients data embeddings, then thet Use RNN-based algorithm to study about their relationship close and effectively. Further the model is feed with real world data set and let it examine for 30 days and results are noted. It is seen that after the experiment the model perform very well. It is able to predict

Kwan el al. [22] EHRs and clinical decision support systems are integrated in the suggested approach. a screen-based tool made to improve doctors' adherence to a recommended healthcare system. to keep track of the advancements made through the use of medical selection assistance systems and to analyse heterogeneity resulting from the pooling of effects across various clinical contexts and intervention objectives.

In 2021, Sengan et al [23] suggested a homomorphic encryption (HE)-based recommender system that protects the privacy of customer data. To speed up computation and customise judgments, the system bases itself on user needs and uses offline and online data processing techniques. The HE approaches for protecting user data in the preferred decisions make up the proposed PRIPRO paradigm. Only mathematical operations are used. The HE procedures used by the PRIPRO model are 100% correct. A DDDMS can also be produced using a training set.

Choudhury el al. [24] a programme that uses neural networks to choose hospitals based on hospital ratings, available physicians, and distance has been developed to ensure that people can travel to the best hospital in an emergency. The recommended architecture uses a real-time database created in Google Firebase to store information on hospitals, such as their location, rating, list of attending physicians, and number of beds available. Another system that was created uses NodeMCU and radio frequency identification cards to track doctor attendance. A web-based application was also created, and it provides information about the proposed hospital or hospitals, including name, address, and phone number.

Pitchai el al. [25] proposed a model that take the data of the patient after admitting into the Hospitals, it sense the wellbeing of the patients. The patients data is stored on the cloud server, medicine data prescribed by doctors, diagnosis condition of the patient and tests. The software analyse the data and display the result of 'cost effective generic medicine' also suggested for the upcoming tests for the

patients. This financial tracking methodology aids patients in keeping track of their medical expenses.

In 2022, Mahyari el al. [26] Create a system that can suggest daily fitness plans to users based on their interactions with other users and their histories, profiles, and histories. The developed recommender system uses a deep recurrent neural network with attention mechanisms based on user profiles and temporal awareness. The system adapts the recommender system for each user via independent learning. A collection of train data from various persons is used to train the recommender system. The system is used to decide when to consult experts for advice and is derived from the marginal distance distribution of probabilities.

Rostami el al. [27] The proposed approach consists of two phases: user-based suggestion and recommender based on food content. Graph clustering is utilised in the first stage, while deep learning is used in the second stage to cluster both people and food goods. Additionally, a comprehensive approach is applied to account for time restrictions and user community concerns, raising the calibre of the counsel given to the user.

Zhang el al. [28] a food recommender model MaOO-based approach is developed. The model is responsible for stabling food balance and meal suggestion task, the proposed model mainly focous on users food diet, users food preference, diet pattern, food diversity etc. This paper's key contributions can be summed up as follows: To solve the recommender issue, a novel MaOO-based recommender framework is created, in which three MaOO techniques are delicately connected to transform the actual recommender challenge into a MaOO problem. A number of tests are also carried out. In order to achieve the suggested recommender task's goal of offering clients a scientifically sound yet personalised diet, four separate meal-related objectives must be simultaneously optimised.

Shandilya el al. **[29]** a Collaborative filtering based food recommender system is developed named – "*MAndatory FeaTURE Choices*". The system is mainly focous on the user preferences data such as ratings, suggestions, likes as it help the system to make more personalise food recommenders. The system use machine learning algorithms to recommended food to every possible users.

Silva el al. [30] A clinical decision support system is build on OpenEHR international diagnosed standard. The model architecture consists of three sections – (i)

create guideline, (ii) guidelines and (iii) subject proxy.the system create the guidelines , also the system's component allow the users to visualize , and execute it , users can manage the functionalities of subject proxy sections. Because of OpenEHR the system is able to work as interoperable system which stores Digital records.

5. Result Analysis

5.1. Performance analysis with existing system/algorithms

The performance evaluation metrics used for the analysis of different recommender systems is depicted in **Table.5**. From the set of research works, 20% of the works use recall measure, 6% of the works employ Mean Absolute Error (MAE), 6% of the works take Root Mean Square Error (RMSE), 23% of the papers consider precision, 30% of the contributions analyse F1-measure, and 60% of the works apply accuracy. Moreover, some additional measures are also considered for validating the performance in a few applications.b

Table.5: Performance analysis with existing system/algorithms

References	Recall	MAE	RMSE	Precision	F1-	Accuracy	Miscellaneous
					measure		measures
Mazzaglia el							Statistical
al. [1]							analysis
Dean el al.						√	Primary Data
[2]							Analysis
Nair el al.						√	Amazon EC2
[3]							
Wang el al.						√	Data
[4]							clustering,
							decomposition
							of singular
							value
Yang el al.					✓	√	Self-Rating
[5]							Depression
							Scale
Ali el al. [6]							MET
Mokdara el				✓		✓	Hit ratio
al. [7]							
Huang el al.	√			√	✓		Ham loss

Chen el al.						√	time
[9]						, and the second	complexity,
							RDD, K-
							Means and
							DPCA
Akbulut el					√	√	Tree-based
al. [10]							feature
							selection
Sahoo el al.	√	√	√	√	√	√	Specificity
[11]							measures
Bai el al.						√	Recurrent
[12]							neural network
							(RNN),
							Convolutional
							neural network
							(CNN),
							Convolutional
							Attention
							(CAML)
Zamanifar el	√			√	√	√	specificity
al. [13]							
Toledo el al.							Multi-criteria
[14]							decision
							Analysis
Swarnalatha	√			√	√	√	False Positive
el al. [15]							Rate
Deepa el al.		√	√				NMAE
[16]							
Kadri el al.	√			√	√	√	Decision tree
[17]							and BiLSTM
Ferretto el							Physical
al. [18]							Activity Result

							Indexes
							(PARI)
FanGonga el						√	K-Most
al. [19]							frequent m
Mondal el							Trust factor
al. [20]							
Hettige el al.					√	✓	RNN
[21]							
Kwan el al.							multilevel
[22]							meta-analysis,
							statistical
							analyses
Sengan el al		✓	✓			✓	Top-K Mining
[23]							value
							comparison.
Choudhury						✓	Normalized
el al. [24]							scores
Pitchai el al.							Generic Med
[25]							Cloud
Mahyari el						✓	RNN
al. [26]							
Rostami el	-			√	√	√	NDCG
al. [27]							
Zhang el al.							SPEA2 ,
[28]							NSGA-II, and
							SDE
Shandilya el							CxF,
al. [29]							Mandatory
							Features (MF),
							Preferred
							Features (PF)
Silva el al.							SWOT
[30]							Analysis

6. Conclusion & Future Scope

In the past years, researchers and academicians are getting interested in new technology recommender systems. In this study, the related studies on health recommender systems that focused on various applications in the healthcare system that were published between 2014 and 2022 have been identified and carefully examined. This study has accumulated a variety of information, including the application domains, methodologies, modelling techniques, targeted applications, key metrics, datasets, system characteristics, and difficulties of several health recommender systems. Overall, this study offers a thorough overview of the trend in research on health recommender systems and offers researchers insight and guidance for the field's future. The result of this study has a number of important and useful consequences:

- Focusing on recent-past publication rates, we anticipate that future research on health recommender systems will expand significantly.
- We found health status, food, and physical activity recommender systems had a high concentration of research publications, but diagnosis decision support-based, medicine, and healthcare professional recommender systems had a far lower concentration. This is because publicly accessible datasets on the three subjects of food, physical activity, and health status are readily available. Consequently, it is essential to create datasets in other fields as well.
- For recommender systems, numerous collaborative filtering methods are being put out. Applying collaborative filtering techniques can significantly boost a recommender system's performance.
- Deep learning and machine learning-based techniques for creating recommender systems are the subject of extensive research. It is discovered that systems created utilizing these techniques attain better accuracy.

This study will also guide researchers on future research in the area of health recommender systems. There are some limitations to this research, though. First off, due to a lack of resources and time, Only journal papers have been evaluated by us that have a particular interest in health recommender systems. Second, we only looked at English-language papers. Finally, only six descriptors—"Health Status Recommender Systems," "Food Recommender Systems," "Physical Activity Recommend," "Diagnosis Decision Support-based Recommend," "Medicine Recommend," and

"Healthcare Professional Recommend"—were searched for in this review. Research papers without these keywords were not taken into consideration. Additional keywords and descriptions for searching may be included in future studies. This will enable expanding the study to include literature on recommender systems from a wider range of sources.

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