# Answering consumer health questions with non-expert language



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#### **Overview**

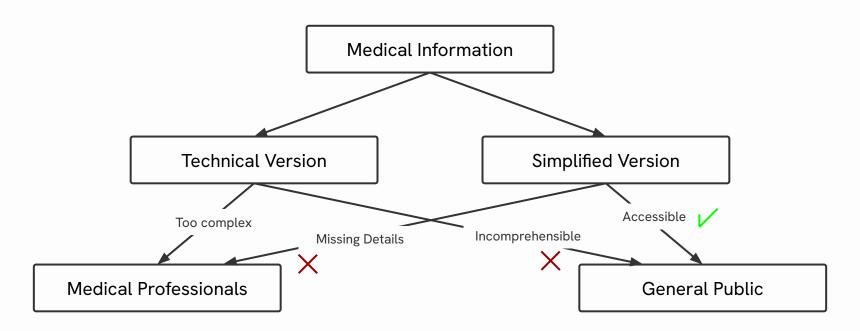
The following outlines the key participants involved in this project.

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Co-supervisor	Tiago Almeida
Summary	With the appearance of chatbot applications, searches and conversations regarding health issues can be expected to increase, which raises the challenges on how to reply with verified and reliable information. The objective of this work is to develop and evaluate a method for retrieval and summarization of scientific articles that contain answers to consumer health questions.

For more info:

**Portfolio** 

#### **Motivation**



## **Objectives**



Quantify Medical Text Complexity

Develop a set metrics for measuring medical text complexity



Create Complexity-Annotated Dataset

Build a high-quality dataset of health QA pairs with complexity levels



Develop Controllable Language Model

Create a model that generates answers with adjustable complexity

### **Controlled text generation**

**Control methods** 

**Training phase** 

Retraining

Fine-tuning

Reinforcement learning

Inference phase

Prompt engineering

Latent space manipulation

**Guided Decoding** 

**Control types** 

**Content control** 

Structure

Vocabulary

Length

**Format** 

Attribute control

Sentiment

Style

Topic

Safety

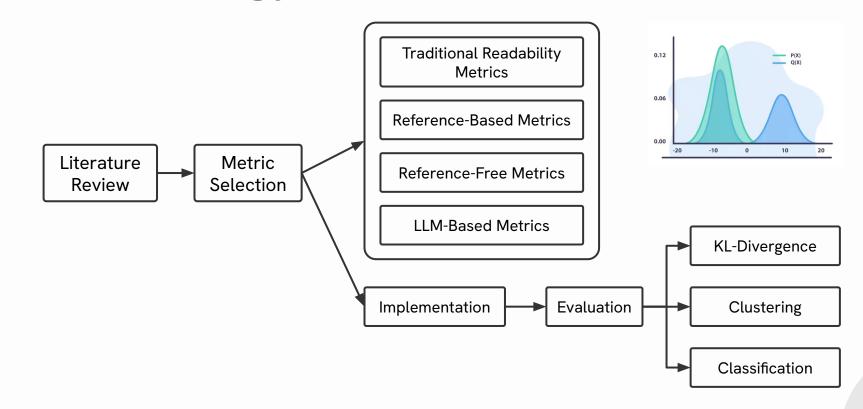
**Quality requirements** 

Fluency

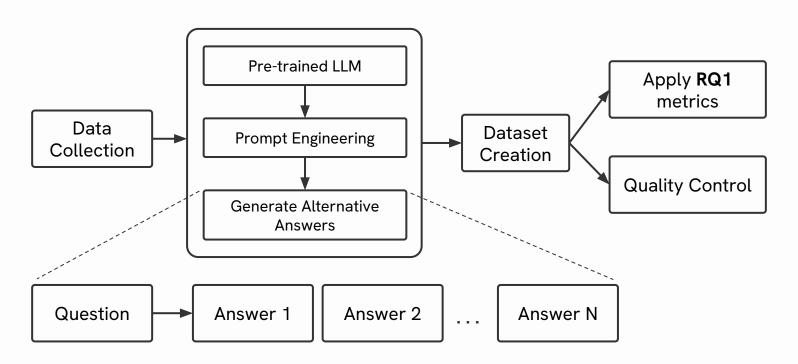
Helpfulness

**Diversity** 

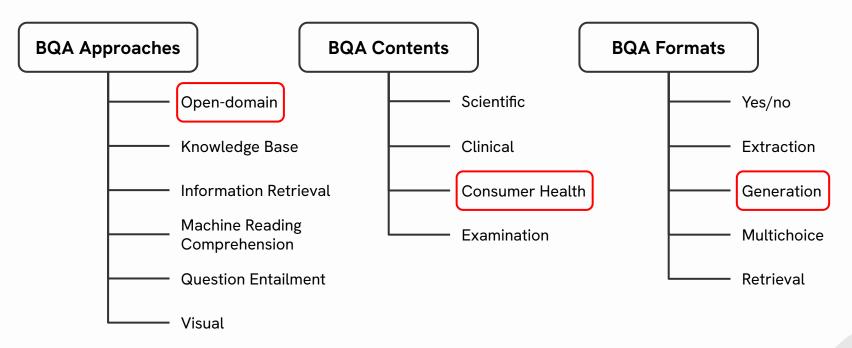
## **Methodology (RQ1)**



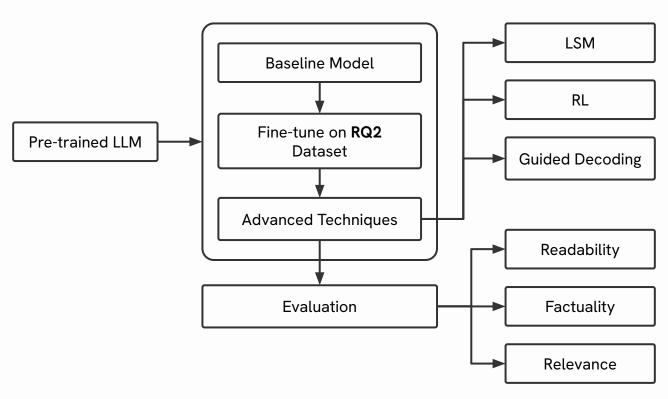
## **Methodology (RQ2)**

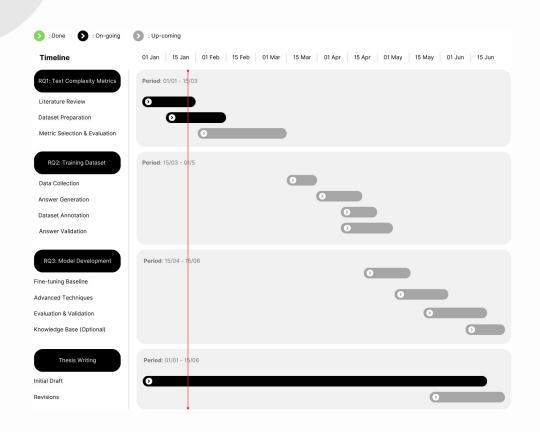


#### **Datasets**



## **Methodology (RQ3)**



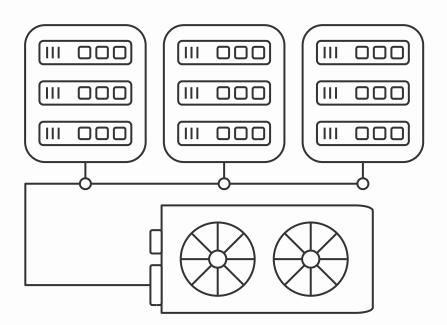


#### **Timeline**

The Gantt chart provides a visual representation of the proposed work plan, outlining the tasks and milestones described before.

#### **Pleiades**

High Performance Computing (HPC) cluster operated by IEETA. The system features both traditional CPU nodes and GPU-accelerated computing nodes, making it versatile for different types of computational workloads.



## Thanks!

Do you have any questions?

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