

## Project Initialization and Planning Phase

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Project Name	Predicting Base line histological staging in HCV patients using Machine Learning
Maximum Marks	3 Marks

### Define Problem Statements (Customer Problem Statement Template):

**Certainly! Predicting the baseline histological stage in patients with Hepatitis C (HCV) using machine learning is a fascinating area of research. Let's break down the problem statement:**

#### 1. Background:

- **Hepatitis C (HCV):** HCV is a viral infection that primarily affects the liver. It can lead to chronic liver damage, cirrhosis, and even liver cancer if left untreated.
- **Histological Stage:** Histological staging refers to assessing the severity of liver damage based on tissue samples (biopsies). It helps determine the extent of fibrosis (scarring) in the liver.
- **Baseline:** The initial assessment when a patient is diagnosed with HCV.

#### 2. Problem Statement:

- **Objective:** Develop a machine learning model that predicts the baseline histological stage in HCV patients based on relevant features.
- **Input Features:**
  - **Clinical Data:** Demographic information (age, gender, etc.), medical history, symptoms, and other relevant clinical factors.
  - **Biomarkers:** Blood-based markers (e.g., liver enzymes, viral load) that provide additional information about disease progression.
- **Output:** A predicted histological stage (e.g., mild fibrosis, moderate fibrosis, severe fibrosis, cirrhosis).

Problem Statement (PS)	I am (Customer)	I'm trying to	But	Because	Which makes me feel
PS-1	I am a HCV patient	Know the stage of HCV	Hard to know the stage of HCV	By knowing the stage I can recover	Optimizing to know about HCV stage