

# Report of Task-1

**Paper Title:** Natural language processing to extract medical problems from electronic clinical documents: Performance evaluation

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## **Summery:**

**1.1 Motivation:** The importance of problem lists in medical records, as well as the urgent need to remedy their current deficiencies, motivate this effort. The authors want to improve the accuracy, completeness, and timeliness of problem lists, particularly in hospital settings. They propose using Natural Language Processing (NLP) to automate the production and maintenance of problem lists, with the goal of creating a more efficient and dependable healthcare information management system.

**1.2 Contribution:** While the NLP-based system shows promise in automating problem list construction and maintenance, problems relating to the predetermined medical problem list and the precision-recall trade-off should be addressed for improved accuracy and broader applicability.

## **1.3 Methodology:**

The process entails creating a system based on natural language processing (NLP), optimizing its subset, conducting a comprehensive evaluation through physician review, and utilizing statistical analysis to determine performance disparities. The main goal is to fix the incompleteness and inaccuracy of problem lists seen in electronic health records.

**1.4 Conclusion:** The study highlights the difficulties of keeping up-to-date, comprehensive problem lists in medical records and presents an NLP-based remedy. In spite of these early drawbacks, the background application evaluation of the system yields encouraging results, opening the door to further automation and efficiency gains in the management of medical problem lists.

## **2 Limitations:**

### **2.1 First Limitation:** Limited Scope of Medical Problems

The background application's first iteration was built to work with a limited list of 80 medical conditions. incapacity to identify uncommon or uncommon medical issues that aren't on the list that has been predetermined.

### **2.2 Second Limitation:** Precision vs. Recall Trade-Off

The precision and recall of the NLP module were compromised in the process of optimizing its subset for efficiency. difficulties in keeping the accuracy of recognized health conditions and system efficiency in balance.

**3.Synthesis:** The creation and assessment of an NLP-based system for extracting and managing medical problem lists from electronic health records (EHR) is the main emphasis of the paper's methodology. The method shows potential in resolving incompleteness and accuracy issues, despite some drawbacks. Integrating the concepts presented in the article offers perspectives on future directions and possible uses.