### BVI literature review

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#### Ask GPT to Recommend Search Terms

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# purpose <- "understand the current status of accommodations, identify gaps, and highlight effective p
# recommend_search_terms(purpose)</pre>
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### Import Data

• The current example data are extracted from Web of Science (WOS).

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# import data
data <- xlsx::read.xlsx("savedrecs.xls", sheetIndex = 1) %>%
  filter(!(is.na(Abstract) | (Abstract == "")))

# filter columns
data_reduced <- data %>%
  select(Authors, Author.Full.Names, Article.Title, Source.Title, Document.Type, Conference.Title, Conference.T
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#### Conduct Literature Review

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# research questions
r_questions <- "
1. What are the major accommodations currently used for students with BVI in classroom settings and lar
a. Levels of learning: K-12, Higher Education
b. Type (Purposes) of assessment: Larger-scale/Classroom; Performance/Aptitude
c. Accommodations for testing for students with visual impairment
i. What kind: past and now (classroom, standardized tests, large-scale tests)
ii. Context of being used (Assessment context & Teaching and learning context)
iii. Students' reactions to the accommodations?
iv. Impacts of accommodations and Remediations?
d. how K-12 students with visual impairment get schooling (or learn in schools) in the United States)
2. How are assistive technologies used in assessing students with BVI in different contexts?</pre>
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- 3. How are modeling and scoring procedures adapted for students with BVI in different contexts?
- 4. What are the impacts of these accommodations on the academic performance and assessment experiences
- 5. What gaps exist in the current literature regarding assessment accommodations for students with BVI?

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a. Equivalence of braille version and regular version?

# 15 example data
example_data <- data_reduced[1:200,] %>%
    toJSON(pretty = TRUE)

# result
BVI_lr <- literature_review(
    r_questions = r_questions,
    bib_data = example_data,
    structure = NULL
)

## Used tokens: 94164 + 1651 = 95815

## Price: $ 0.495585</pre>
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### Literature Review Summary

Major Accommodations for Students with BVI in Classroom Settings and Large-Scale Assessments

Levels of Learning: K-12, Higher Education

- K-12: Various studies have focused on the development and implementation of assistive technologies and educational tools for visually impaired students in K-12 settings. For instance, the development of interactive Braille learning systems and tactile educational materials has been highlighted (Iqbal et al., 2017; Damit et al., 2014; Gadiraju et al., 2020).
- **Higher Education**: Research has also explored the challenges and accommodations in higher education, such as the use of digital libraries, accessible course materials, and assistive technologies to support visually impaired students (Christensen & Stevns, 2012; Gkouvatzi, 2010).

#### Type (Purposes) of Assessment: Larger-scale/Classroom; Performance/Aptitude

- Larger-scale Assessments: The use of Braille and other tactile materials in standardized tests has been a common accommodation. Studies have also explored the use of digital and audio formats to make assessments more accessible (Posey & Henderson, 2012; Hoskin et al., 2024).
- Classroom Assessments: Classroom assessments often involve the use of Braille, audio materials, and assistive technologies to ensure that visually impaired students can participate fully (Al-Rajhi et al., 2015; Gadiraju et al., 2019).

#### Accommodations for Testing for Students with Visual Impairment

#### What Kind: Past and Now (Classroom, Standardized Tests, Large-Scale Tests)

- Past: Traditional accommodations included the use of Braille and large print materials.
- Now: Modern accommodations have expanded to include digital formats, audio descriptions, and interactive technologies (Iqbal et al., 2017; Damit et al., 2014).

#### Context of Being Used (Assessment Context & Teaching and Learning Context)

- Assessment Context: Accommodations are used to ensure that visually impaired students can access and respond to test materials effectively. This includes the use of Braille, audio formats, and digital tools (Posey & Henderson, 2012; Hoskin et al., 2024).
- Teaching and Learning Context: In the classroom, accommodations such as tactile graphics, interactive Braille tools, and assistive technologies are used to support learning (Gadiraju et al., 2020; Al-Rajhi et al., 2015).

#### Students' Reactions to the Accommodations

- Positive Reactions: Many studies report positive feedback from students regarding the use of interactive and digital tools, which enhance their learning experience and engagement (Gadiraju et al., 2020; Damit et al., 2014).
- Challenges: Some students face challenges with the availability and usability of certain technologies, indicating a need for continuous improvement and support (Christensen & Stevns, 2012; Gkouvatzi, 2010).

#### Impacts of Accommodations and Remediations

- Academic Performance: Accommodations have been shown to improve academic performance and engagement among visually impaired students (Hoskin et al., 2024; Gadiraju et al., 2020).
- Remediations: Continuous feedback and iterative improvements in assistive technologies and teaching methods are necessary to address the evolving needs of students (Christensen & Stevns, 2012; Gkouvatzi, 2010).

#### How K-12 Students with Visual Impairment Get Schooling in the United States

- Special Education Schools: Many visually impaired students attend special education schools where they receive tailored support and resources (Iqbal et al., 2017; Damit et al., 2014).
- Inclusive Education: There is a growing trend towards inclusive education, where visually impaired students are integrated into mainstream classrooms with appropriate accommodations (Christensen & Stevns, 2012; Gkouvatzi, 2010).

#### Assistive Technologies in Assessing Students with BVI in Different Contexts

- Braille Learning Tools: Various studies have developed and evaluated Braille learning tools that assist in both classroom learning and assessments (Iqbal et al., 2017; Damit et al., 2014).
- Digital and Audio Tools: The use of digital and audio tools has been explored to make assessments more accessible for visually impaired students (Posey & Henderson, 2012; Hoskin et al., 2024).

## Modeling and Scoring Procedures Adapted for Students with BVI in Different Contexts

• Adaptations: Adaptations include the use of tactile graphics, audio descriptions, and digital formats to ensure that visually impaired students can participate in assessments on an equal footing (Posey & Henderson, 2012; Hoskin et al., 2024).

# Impacts of Accommodations on Academic Performance and Assessment Experiences of Students with BVI

• Positive Impacts: Accommodations have been shown to improve academic performance, engagement, and overall assessment experiences for visually impaired students (Hoskin et al., 2024; Gadiraju et al., 2020).

# Gaps in the Current Literature Regarding Assessment Accommodations for Students with BVI

#### Equivalence of Braille Version and Regular Version

• Research Gaps: There is a need for more research on the equivalence of Braille and regular versions of assessments to ensure fairness and accuracy in testing (Posey & Henderson, 2012; Hoskin et al., 2024).

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