# Mental and Physical Illness (MAPI) Chatbot

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# Introduction

### Definitions

- Physical illness: illnesses pertaining to one's physical health (common cold, flu, etc.)
- Mental illness: illnesses pertaining to one's mental health (anxiety, depression, etc.)

### Problem

- People may not be able to immediately consult primary healthcare provider upon experiencing symptoms of mental or physical illness.
- Determining illness risks helps them know if a doctor's visit is required how to better take care
  of themselves.

### Solution

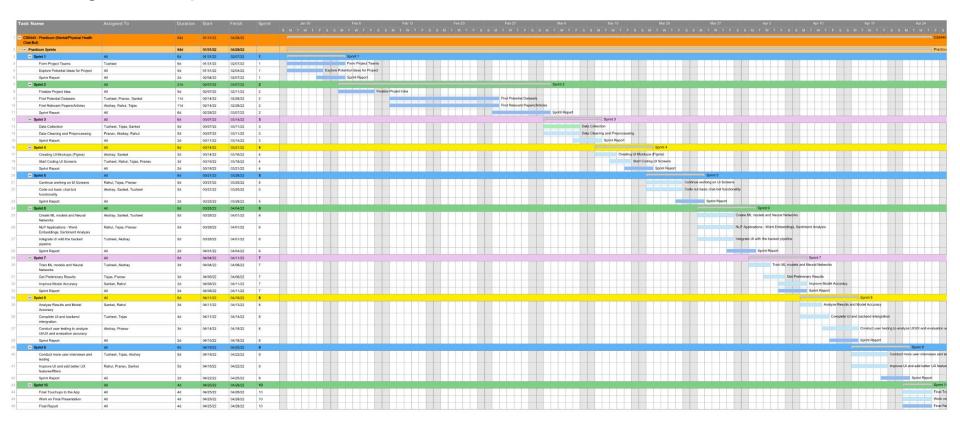
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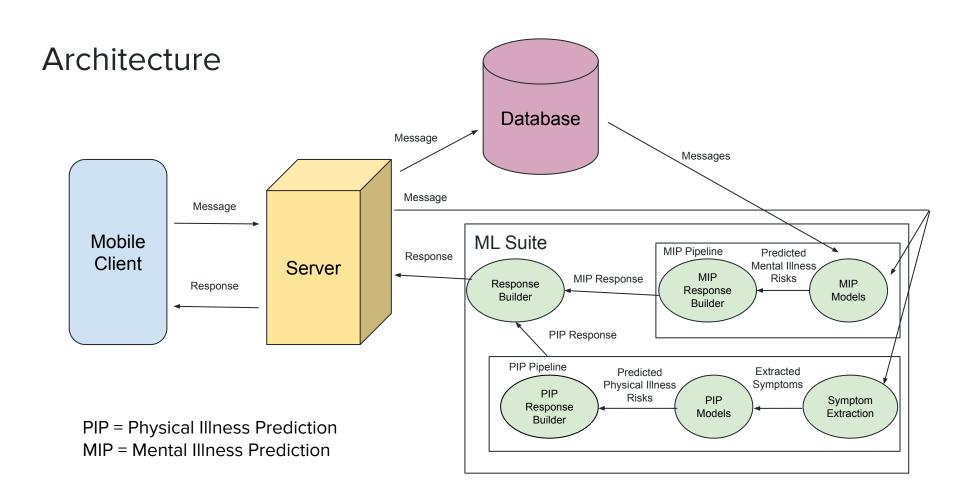
# Introduction

### Team contributions

- Akshay Sathiya: Data processing for Kaggle physical diseases dataset (Patil, 2020), physical illness prediction (PIP) pipeline, and the PIP response builder to generate messages containing physical illness prediction results and precautions to send back to user.
- Pranav Khorana: Created front-end React Native application and integrated w/ backend
- Tusheet Goli: Worked on API design, backend implementation, and database hosting (Heroku)
- o Tejas Pradeep: Worked on the backend API design, and integrated front end w/ model
- Rahul Chawla: Worked on the mental illness prediction (MIP) pipeline, created the logistic regression model and data processing for emotions dataset (Praveen, 2020)
- Sanket Majesh: Worked on the mental illness prediction (MIP) pipeline

# **Project Implementation Status**





# Setting Up Frontend

- Used React Native to create front-end application
  - Easy to deploy mobile apps on both Android and iOS operating systems
  - Utilized Javascript with Typescript configuration

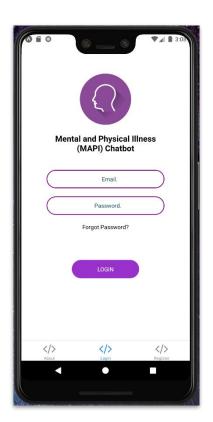
- Android Emulator for testing and debugging
  - Pixel 3 XL with Android 8.0 operating system
- Utilized Expo, a framework that allows users to easily develop, build, and deploy React Native apps

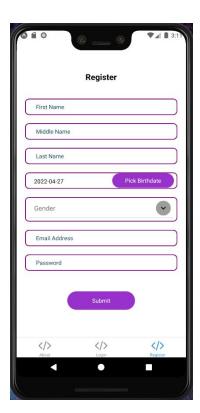




# Creating React Native App

- React-Navigation and Bottom TabNavigator
  - Organized hierarchy for user to navigate (logging in and out/switching tabs)
- TextInput, Touchable Opacity, Dropdown, DateTime Picker
  - Utilized a variety of components for user to input info
  - Registering and logging in





# Creating React Native App

- Hooks to keep track of state & lifecycle components
  - useState: keep track of info (ex: name, date of birth, email, etc.)
  - useEffect: side effect based on rendering of components (ex: initial population of profile screen)
- React-Native-Gifted-Chat
  - Utilized component to create interactive chat UI
  - Customizable attributes for sending messages, bubbles, users, typing indicator





# Integration with Backend

Utilized axios library to make requests to Flask server

- Utilized promises/callback functions to deal with asynchronous requests
  - Make sure application doesn't crash or displays incomplete information
- Backend Functionality
  - Authenticate user on login screen
  - Register user with info on register screen
  - Get user data to load data on profile screen
  - Send message on chat screen

```
const getResponse = async (message: string)=> {
  const obj = {
   message: message
}
  axios.post(baseUrl + '/send-message', obj)
  .then((response) => {
   var responseText = response.data['RESPONSE'];
   setTyping(false)
   sendBotResponse(responseText.trim())
   console.log(response)
  }, (error) => {
   console.log(error);
  });
};
```

# Backend

- The backend for the app is a Python Flask APP
- It is built using a REST API model, and servers as the layer in between the front end and the model

- The backend consists of 4 key endpoints listed below each endpoint server to implement logic for the frontend
- Backend Calls
  - POST /send-message
  - GET /authenticate-user/<email>/<password>
  - POST /register-user
  - o GET /get-user-data

# Database

Postgresql database consisting of chat information and user information

```
CREATE TABLE chat (
    user_id varchar(64),
    message varchar(1024),
    response varchar(1024)
);
```

```
CREATE TABLE users (
    user id varchar(64),
    fname varchar(256),
    mname varchar(256),
    lname varchar(256),
    dob varchar(10),
    gender varchar(1),
    email varchar(256),
    password varchar(64)
```

# Backend Code Walkthrough

Code Walkthrough!

# PIP Pipeline

- Data processing on Kaggle physical diseases dataset (Patil, 2020)
  - Determine unique symptoms and assign a numeric label for each unique physical illness
  - Produces dataset for symptom extraction (enumerates through combinations of 1, 2, 3, and 4 symptoms, subsampling for combinations of size 3 and 4).
    - Features: messages describing symptoms, built from pre-written message templates.
    - Data augmentation (done with 40% probability): symptom tokens reversed
    - Labels: unique symptoms (0 if not present, 1 if present)
  - Produces dataset for physical illness prediction given symptoms
    - Features: unique symptoms (0 if not present, 1 if present)
    - Labels: numeric label for physical illness corresponding to present symptoms

# PIP Pipeline

- Symptom extraction
  - TF-IDF vectorization (scikit-learn developers, sklearn.feature\_extraction.text.TfidfVectorizer, 2022)
  - Multi-output classifier (scikit-learn developers, *sklearn.multioutput.MultiOutputClassifier*, 2022).
    - Neural networks trained on dataset for symptom extraction (scikit-learn developers, sklearn.neural\_network.MLPClassifier, 2022).
- Prediction of physical illness given symptom information
  - Random forest classifier (scikit-learn developers, sklearn.ensemble.RandomForestClassifier, 2022).
  - Neural network classifier (scikit-learn developers, sklearn.neural\_network.MLPClassifier, 2022).
- Model evaluation
  - Model only trained once, validated on several different splits of the data
    - Accuracy on train/test split
    - F1 score on train/test split (scikit-learn developers, sklearn.metrics.f1\_score, 2022)
    - K-fold cross validation (scikit-learn developers, sklearn.model\_selection.KFold, 2022)
      - Accuracy and F1 score on each fold

# PIP Pipeline

### Response building

- Top three physical illness predictions and classification probabilities, rounded to one decimal place.
- Corresponding precautions from physical diseases dataset, for preventing/mitigating each predicted physical illness (e.g. drink sugary drinks for hypoglycemia) (Patil, 2020).
- Assembled into string to show the user, sent to backend, sent to frontend.

# MIP Pipeline

- Data processing on emotions dataset
  - Determine most probable mental illness based on distribution of sentiment of series of user messages
  - Utilizes sklearn logistic regression model to train the classifier (scikit-learn developers, sklearn.linear\_model.LogisticRegression, 2022)
- Predictions of most likely illness are determined by performing a time series analysis on the messages passed in by the user
  - Depression: Consistently sad or little joy/happiness
  - Bipolar Disorder: Wide fluctuations in sentiment between messages
  - Anxiety: Mix of surprise, fear, and obvious absence of strong sad/joy emotions
- Response string is built by providing the user with their most likely illness
  - Assembled in string to show to the user, then sent to backend, then frontend

# MIP Heuristics

- Created heuristics to determine if patients fall into one of 4 categories: depression, anxiety, bipolar, or no mental illnesses
- For depression, checked if sentiment of sadness was the most common in a message
- For anxiety, checked if sentiment of fear was most common in a message
- For bipolar, checked if sentiments often switched from sad/fear to happy throughout a message and if these sentiments were balanced throughout
- If the patient fell into none of these categories, he/she was diagnosed with no mental illness

# Research

- Datasets
  - Physical diseases dataset: *Disease Symptom Prediction* (Patil, 2020).
  - Twitter dataset: Twitter Emotion Analysis (Merin S, 2020).
  - Emotions dataset: Emotions dataset for NLP (Praveen, 2020).
- PIP Pipeline
  - Symptom extraction
    - Keyword extraction (RAKE: Rapid Automatic Keyword Extraction) (Saxena, 2020)
    - Multi-output classifiers (scikit-learn developers, sklearn.multioutput.MultiOutputClassifier, 2022)
- MIP Pipeline
  - Logistic Regression (sklearn developers, sklearn.linear\_model.LogisticRegression, 2022)

# Local Testing

- PIP pipeline
  - Four stages: data processing, fitting symptom extraction model (multi-output classifier of neural networks), fitting each PIP model (random forest, neural network). See command to evaluate already-trained models below.

```
$ python3 ./models/physical_illness_prediction.py --proc_data 1 --fit_se_nn 1 --fit_pip_rf 1 --fit_pip_nn 1
> ./models/physical_illness_prediction_logs.txt
```

- Response builder (for PIP pipeline)
  - Tests responses generated by PIP pipeline (14 test cases, 12 / 14 passed). See command to run test cases below.

```
$ python3 ./test.py > ./response_builder_test_logs.txt
```

- MIP pipeline
  - Stages: Data processing, Accuracy Training for LR model

```
$ python3 ./models/mental illness prediction.py
```

See README.md file and corresponding log files for more details.

# Solution Demonstration

Demo time!

# **Future Work**

### PIP Pipeline

- Improve data processing and machine learning techniques (sentence templates, data augmentation, etc.) to improve symptom extraction.
- Obtain more data about symptoms corresponding to illnesses, improve performance of PIP models and apply it to more symptoms and illnesses.

### MIP Pipeline

- Improve heuristic to determine mental illness risks from sentiment analysis information
- Support more mental illnesses beyond depression, anxiety, and bipolar disorder.

### General

- Integration with healthcare organizations to keep providers in the loop with what the patient may be experiencing before any necessary appointments.
- Integration with pharmacies to suggest medications that align with the precautions provided to the user by the app.

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