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ABSTRACT

Lung disease is a major public health issue at the global level, impacting millions of people from various populations. Various studies have established that ethnicity is a key determinant of the occurrence, severity, and progression of these conditions. The objective of this research is to investigate the processes through which ethnic backgrounds affect the prevalence of lung disease by analyzing a mix of genetic susceptibility, socio-economic status, and environmental determinants.

Epidemiology, the medical discipline concerned with the patterns, determinants, and outcomes of disease and health conditions in populations, forms the basis of this research. The purpose of this research is to highlight differences in the prevalence of lung disease between ethnic groups through analysis of large healthcare population databases. These differences could be due to genetic susceptibility, variations in lifestyle and occupational exposures, variations in access to healthcare, and the effect of environmental toxins, such as air quality and smoking patterns.

The findings highlight extensive heterogeneity in lung health phenotypes, which are most likely shaped by both intrinsic genetic susceptibilities and extrinsic environmental exposures. Identification of these differences is essential for public health policymakers, medical scientists, and health authorities to develop culturally appropriate and specific interventions. By addressing the unique needs of different populations, healthcare practices can be tailored to maximize prevention of disease, enable early detection, and maximize treatment gains, thus reducing the worldwide burden of lung diseases.

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NAM	Network Animator
AQI	Air Quality Index
COPD	Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease
ML	Machine Learning
SVM	Support Vector Machine
SPO2	Peripheral Oxygen Saturation
GIS	Geographic Information System
NHANES	National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey
WHO	World Health Organization
CDC	Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

CHAPTER 1
INTRODUCTION

1.1 INTRODUCTION

Respiratory illness has long been regarded as one of the greatest public health threats. Asthma, Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD), and lung cancer are diseases that continue to strike millions of people annually, often leading to compromised quality of life, long-term disability, and even premature death. Although the diseases have the potential to affect anyone, severity and distribution are not randomly allocated. Instead, they are determined by a synergy of genetic, environmental, and behavioral determinants. Understanding these complex interactions is critical in the war against respiratory illness.

1.1.1 Historical Perspective on Respiratory Diseases

The etiology of respiratory disease extends back centuries. Respiratory diseases and chest disorders are discussed in ancient texts of Egyptian, Greek, and Chinese medicine. However, it was not until the industrial revolution that the connection between environmental pollutants and respiratory illness was more apparent. As coal burned more intensely, factories vented their pollutants, and urban populations grew, respiratory disease took off—particularly in industrial cities.

In the 20th century, smoking also became a major cause of lung disease. At first glamorized, tobacco's link to cancer and COPD was established through decades of epidemiological data. The late 1900s also witnessed landmark air pollution events—like the London Great Smog of

1952—attributing respiratory mortality directly to air pollution. These events launched worldwide campaigns in public health education, smoking regulation, and air pollution surveillance.

Even with improvements in medicine, respiratory illnesses continue to be among the major causes of mortality globally. Based on estimates from the World Health Organization (WHO), chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) alone causes more than 3 million deaths annually, and asthma affects more than 260 million individuals globally. These statistics point to the common and growing challenges in lung health in the contemporary world.

1.1.2 Ethnicity and Health Disparities in Lung Diseases

Greater evidence suggests ethnicity as a major factor in determining the modulation of susceptibility to lung disease. Ethnicity encompasses genetic heritage, cultural behavior, socioeconomic status, and healthcare access—factors which all combine to form health disparities.

For instance, African-American communities in the United States have been found to have higher hospitalization and asthma death rates than Caucasians, even when their prevalence of disease was equal. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Black Americans are hospitalized for asthma three times more often than their white counterparts. Hispanic communities, especially those residing in urban and industrialized communities, tend to reside in pollution-ridden neighborhoods with limited access to health care, which also puts them at higher risk for chronic respiratory disease.

Asian populations, though historically with lower rates of smoking illness, are experiencing a rise in lung cancer because of greater use of tobacco in some areas and widespread exposure to

pollution, like in India and China. These trends are not simply biological—they are symptomatic of underlying issues of environment, education, occupation, and structural inequality.

It does not involve categorizing people, but rather comprehending the social and environmental determinants that produce health disparities. A model based on ethnicity can be employed to target at-risk groups and assist in making prevention and intervention culturally and regionally relevant.

1.1.3 Challenges in Traditional Healthcare Detection

Conventional healthcare systems, while necessary, often rely heavily on symptom-based diagnosis and past information. This reliance is associated with several limitations in relation to diseases like asthma and COPD, which tend to go undiagnosed until they are advanced. Many people live through years of declining respiratory function, unaware of the danger they face or the measures they can take to prevent it.

Additionally, access to healthcare is not equal in all regions. In the majority of the world, especially rural or economically disadvantaged regions, periodic health screening, spirometry, and high-level imaging are not accessible. Even in well-staffed regions, time and an overabundance of medical personnel can make early detection a low priority.

A further limitation is the reactive nature of traditional care. Most healthcare systems react once symptoms are apparent, rather than preparing for and preventing disease in high-risk individuals. This approach is more costly and less efficient in managing long-term conditions.

In lung disease, environmental exposure is a subtle but potent force, which is routinely overlooked by conventional diagnostic measures. A patient can reside in an area with highly

elevated Air Quality Index (AQI) ratings or be chronically exposed to second-hand smoke, without there being a clinical report highlighting this risk factor. These limitations necessitate the addition of intelligent, data-driven solutions that enhance the current healthcare models.

1.1.4 The Role of Predictive Analytics in Modern Medicine

This is where predictive analytics and machine learning come into the frame. With increased health data becoming available and advances in computational power, it is now possible to forecast disease risk with data-driven models that consider multiple factors simultaneously—genetics, environment, lifestyle, etc.

Predictive analytics allows us to move from a reactive to a proactive strategy. Instead of waiting for symptoms to appear, we can identify early on those at high risk and apply specific interventions, e.g., avoidance of pollution, smoking cessation, or prophylactic treatment.

Machine learning models, specifically, possess an amazing capacity to pick up patterns within complex data sets that are not easily discerned by humans. For instance, subtle interactions between ethnicity and air quality, and nonlinear interactions between disease progression and smoking exposure, can be effectively picked up and utilized to build tailored predictions.

In this project, we use the power of machine learning to create a model that predicts the likelihood of lung disease from three main variables: ethnicity, Air Quality Index (AQI), and local prevalence of smoking. While these are simple variables individually, their simultaneous analysis yields great insights. Our goal is not to replace physicians but to complement their skills—and those of patients—by providing early alerts, actionable information, and personalized risk assessments.

In addition, by integrating this model into an internet-based platform, we can provide this predictive function to not just researchers or hospitals, but to the world. Anyone with basic input values can have access to a quick, science-driven risk assessment—an advantage that is particularly valuable in resource-limited areas where clinical services are limited.

1.1.5 Summary

In short, the fight against respiratory disease requires a multidisciplinary answer. Clinical treatment is still essential, but the approach to predict risk and act ahead can be revolutionary. By combining medical expertise, environmental intelligence, and machine learning, we can potentially develop more intelligent and fair systems that recognize and act on the complex realities of lung disease risk. This project is a small but important step in this direction.

1.2 PROJECT DESCRIPTION

This project was driven by a simple yet powerful goal: to create a system that can help predict a person's chances of developing lung diseases by analyzing key factors such as ethnicity, air quality levels, and smoking trends. We know that respiratory illnesses don't arise from a single cause—they're shaped by a mix of genetics, the environment people live in, and their lifestyle habits. This makes lung health a complex issue, and one that's well-suited to be tackled using modern machine learning techniques.

Our approach focused on turning raw data into meaningful insight. We built a machine-learning pipeline that takes in real-world inputs, processes them, and trains smart classification models. Once trained, these models can take new information and provide a prediction about the likelihood—low, medium, or high—of someone developing lung-related illnesses such as asthma, COPD, or even lung cancer.

By doing this, we aim not just to forecast risk, but also to provide healthcare professionals and policymakers with an easy-to-use tool that helps guide early intervention, targeted awareness, and better resource planning. Ultimately, this project hopes to be a small step toward making preventive healthcare more data-driven, accessible, and inclusive.

The **key objectives** of this project are:

- **Risk Assessment:** One of the main goals of this project is to identify individuals or demographic groups who are at a higher risk of developing lung diseases. This is achieved by processing input data through machine learning algorithms, which helps us uncover how specific combinations of air quality levels, smoking habits, and ethnic

backgrounds influence health outcomes. It provides a clear understanding of how these factors interact to elevate or reduce disease susceptibility.

- **High-Risk Region Mapping:** By linking AQI and smoker density data to geographic locations, the system can help highlight regions where the risk of lung disease is significantly higher. This feature is especially useful for public health officials and policymakers, as it can guide them in targeting interventions, allocating resources, and designing localized health awareness campaigns.
- **Policy Recommendations:** The insights generated by the system aren't just useful on an individual level—they also hold value for policy-making. Health departments and government agencies can leverage this data to formulate evidence-based strategies, such as promoting smoking cessation in high-risk areas or implementing stricter air pollution regulations in affected zones.

To make this system accessible and user-friendly, we have **developed a fully functional web interface** where users can input parameters like **ethnicity**, **local AQI**, and **percentage of smokers in their area**. Upon submission, the interface predicts the likelihood of developing a lung disease and displays it as a percentage. This web application has been built using **HTML, CSS, and JavaScript** for a responsive and interactive frontend. The backend is powered by Python, which handles the logic and ML model integration.

Although our primary model is the **Naive Bayes classifier**—chosen for its simplicity and high efficiency in probabilistic classification—we have also experimented with and evaluated several modern machine learning algorithms to compare their performance.

These include:

- **Random Forest:**

  An ensemble learning method that builds multiple decision trees and combines their results to make predictions. It handles complex, non-linear relationships well and often yields high accuracy. Its robustness and ability to handle noisy data make it a reliable choice for many classification tasks.

- **Support Vector Machine (SVM):**

  Known for its strong performance in high-dimensional spaces, SVM tries to find the optimal hyperplane that separates different classes with the maximum margin. This makes it particularly effective when dealing with data that isn't linearly separable.

- L**ogistic Regression:**

  A classic and interpretable model used for binary classification problems. While it is simpler than other models, it offers solid performance when the relationship between input features and output classes is linear. It also serves as a good benchmark for evaluating other algorithms.

- **K-Nearest Neighbors (KNN):**

  A distance-based algorithm that classifies data points based on the closest training examples in the feature space. KNN is intuitive and often useful in datasets where similar records tend to be clustered together.

All these models were trained on a balanced hybrid dataset containing 1000 entries, including various ethnic groups along with simulated regional AQI and smoking data. Each model's performance was compared using standard evaluation metrics such as accuracy, precision, recall, and confusion matrices. Among the algorithms tested, Naive Bayes provided the best balance between computational efficiency and predictive performance, reaching around 80% accuracy, and was selected for deployment in the final web-based system.

The integration of these machine learning techniques into a live web platform demonstrates the real-world potential of data-driven health tools. It enables not just personal risk estimation, but also supports larger public health initiatives by providing evidence-based insights. This project represents a step toward more proactive, preventive healthcare using the power of modern data science.

CHAPTER 2

LITERATURE REVIEW

The increasing prevalence of lung diseases has drawn significant attention from researchers, healthcare professionals, and policymakers worldwide. As respiratory conditions continue to rank among the leading causes of morbidity and mortality, it has become imperative to investigate the various factors contributing to their onset and progression. Numerous studies have highlighted the complex interplay between genetic predispositions (such as ethnicity), environmental influences (including air pollution), and individual behaviors (particularly smoking). Understanding how these elements interact is crucial for developing effective strategies for prevention, early detection, and intervention.

In parallel, the advancement of data-driven methodologies—most notably machine learning—has introduced new opportunities for enhancing health risk prediction. These approaches enable the analysis of large and complex datasets, offering more accurate and scalable solutions for identifying at-risk populations and informing healthcare decisions.

This chapter presents a review of the relevant literature in four key areas that underpin this study: the influence of ethnicity on lung disease susceptibility, the role of environmental factors, the application of machine learning in healthcare, and the current research gaps in this domain. These insights have informed the design and direction of the predictive model developed in this project and underscore the broader importance of integrating social, environmental, and ethical considerations into technology-driven healthcare solutions.

2.1 Impact of Ethnicity on Lung Diseases

Ethnicity plays a significant role in shaping health outcomes, particularly in the realm of respiratory illnesses. While genetics do provide a foundational level of susceptibility to certain diseases, the broader framework of ethnicity includes a combination of cultural background, living environment, and socioeconomic conditions—all of which collectively impact an individual's health risks.

Recent research, such as that by Martinez et al. (2024), highlights that minority populations—especially African-American and Hispanic communities—experience disproportionately high rates of lung-related diseases. A major contributing factor is their concentration in urban areas, driven by long-standing historical and socioeconomic patterns. These urban neighborhoods often face higher levels of air pollution, limited green spaces, and proximity to industrial zones. Coupled with restricted access to quality healthcare, individuals in these communities are more likely to receive delayed diagnoses and face poorer long-term outcomes.

Beyond disparities in access, there are also genetic components worth considering. Some ethnic groups may carry specific genetic variants that influence lung function, immune system behavior, or inflammatory response, all of which can impact the development and severity of conditions like asthma or chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD). However, ethnicity should not be reduced to genetics alone. Rojas and Smith (2020) argue for a broader understanding of ethnic health disparities that includes lived experiences—such as differences in income, education, cultural health beliefs, and even systemic discrimination within

healthcare systems. These social determinants can shape how symptoms are perceived and reported, influence adherence to treatment, and affect the overall quality of care received.

Addressing these disparities goes beyond academic interest; it is essential for building a more equitable healthcare system. Recognizing the unique challenges faced by different ethnic communities enables public health efforts to be more precise and impactful—whether through culturally tailored education programs, community-based environmental improvements, or equitable access to early screening and intervention services.

2.2 Role of Environmental Factors

Environmental factors—particularly air pollution and tobacco use—are among the most well-established and scientifically validated contributors to lung disease. While genetic predispositions and personal lifestyle choices do influence health, the environment in which individuals live plays a crucial and often underestimated role in determining respiratory outcomes.

One of the key indicators of environmental health is the Air Quality Index (AQI), which quantifies the concentration of harmful pollutants such as PM2.5, PM10, ozone, nitrogen dioxide, and carbon monoxide. These pollutants, commonly released by vehicular emissions, industrial activity, and residential combustion, have been shown to cause significant and cumulative damage to the respiratory system. Long-term exposure to such pollutants has been linked to increased cases of bronchitis, diminished lung function, and heightened rates of asthma attacks—particularly among children, the elderly, and individuals with existing respiratory conditions.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC, 2023), populations living in close proximity to highways, industrial facilities, or coal-fired plants experience considerably higher rates of Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD) and lung cancer. These risks are exacerbated by poor indoor air quality, a frequent issue in low-income households where ventilation is inadequate or solid fuels are used for cooking and heating.

Smoking, too, remains a major global health hazard. Despite widespread public health campaigns and increasing awareness, tobacco use continues to be pervasive in many regions. The World Health Organization (WHO, 2022) reports that more than 8 million deaths annually are attributable to tobacco-related diseases, including various forms of cancer and COPD. Moreover, the dangers of secondhand smoke—especially in crowded urban areas and shared residential spaces—add another layer of concern, affecting even those who do not smoke directly.

The combined impact of air pollution and smoking is particularly alarming. Individuals who smoke and simultaneously reside in areas with poor air quality are subjected to a significantly heightened risk of respiratory diseases, far exceeding those exposed to either factor alone. This intersection of environmental exposure and personal behavior forms a dangerous feedback loop, where biological vulnerability is amplified by external conditions.

Tackling these environmental health challenges demands coordinated and sustained efforts. Initiatives such as enforcing stricter emission standards, promoting cleaner energy sources, improving urban infrastructure, and enhancing public awareness are essential. Through collective action, it is possible to reduce exposure, mitigate risks, and work toward a future where clean air and healthy lungs are a shared reality.

2.3 Machine Learning in Healthcare

The healthcare sector is currently experiencing a profound transformation driven by the rise of machine learning (ML). Tasks that once relied solely on the expertise of clinicians and epidemiologists are now being augmented by intelligent algorithms capable of processing vast amounts of data, identifying subtle patterns, and generating real-time predictions. In the context of respiratory health, ML has emerged as a valuable tool for early diagnosis, disease categorization, risk assessment, and personalized treatment planning.

For instance, research by Kumar and Gupta (2021) showcased the effectiveness of machine learning techniques in classifying patients based on a variety of risk factors, including age, ethnicity, environmental exposure, and medical history. Their work, which employed models such as Naive Bayes, Random Forest, and Decision Trees, achieved high predictive accuracy and illustrated how ML can assist in delivering automated second opinions or flagging individuals who may require urgent medical attention.

Further advancing this field, a study by Wang et al. (2023) emphasized the benefits of integrating both genetic and environmental data within ML models. Their approach not only improved prediction accuracy but also provided valuable insights into the underlying reasons for an individual's risk. This level of detail empowers healthcare providers to adopt more proactive and targeted strategies, aligning with broader public health goals such as personalized medicine and community-focused interventions.

The true strength of machine learning lies in its scalability and adaptability. While traditional epidemiological methods remain rigorous and reliable, they are often labor-intensive and time-

consuming. In contrast, a well-trained ML model can rapidly analyze health data across large populations, offering near-instant insights. This makes machine learning particularly suitable for nationwide health initiatives and modern digital health platforms.

Nevertheless, the adoption of ML in healthcare must be approached with care. The success of these systems depends heavily on the quality and representativeness of the data they are trained on, as well as the transparency and interpretability of their outputs. In a domain as sensitive as healthcare, ensuring that algorithms are accurate, fair, and trustworthy is not merely a technical requirement—it is a moral imperative. Incorrect or biased predictions can have serious implications, affecting diagnoses, treatment decisions, and ultimately, patient outcomes.

In this project, machine learning was not only used to showcase technical proficiency but also to examine its broader ethical and social implications. The goal was to highlight how these technologies can be responsibly leveraged to address one of the most pressing global health challenges—respiratory disease.

2.4 Research Gaps

While research on lung diseases and the use of machine learning (ML) in healthcare has advanced significantly, several important gaps still persist. These gaps highlight not only areas for future investigation but also critical considerations for researchers, clinicians, and developers working at the intersection of technology and medicine.

One of the most pressing challenges is the limited availability of real-world data. Much of the existing research—including the present study—relies on publicly available or synthetic datasets. Although these datasets are useful for building and testing models, they often lack the depth and complexity of real clinical scenarios. Important factors such as patient comorbidities, longitudinal medical histories, and nuanced behavioral data are frequently absent, limiting the generalizability and practical utility of the models in actual healthcare settings.

Another concern lies in the siloed nature of many existing studies. Research efforts often concentrate on isolated variables—focusing solely on genetics, environmental exposures, or lifestyle habits. However, lung diseases are multifactorial by nature, influenced by a complex interplay of ethnicity, air quality, smoking behavior, socio-economic background, and access to healthcare. By failing to consider these interconnected factors in a unified framework, many models risk providing an oversimplified view of respiratory risk.

Ethical implications also deserve careful attention. Machine learning models are only as unbiased as the data they are trained on. If the training data underrepresents or misrepresents certain populations—particularly marginalized ethnic or socio-economic groups—there is a

significant risk that the model will produce skewed or unfair outcomes. This can perpetuate existing disparities in healthcare, such as misdiagnoses or unequal allocation of resources, thereby undermining the very goals these technologies aim to achieve.

Additionally, the issue of accessibility and interpretability cannot be overlooked. An accurate model is of little value if its outputs are too complex for end-users to understand or trust. Whether the users are healthcare providers or members of the general public, the results must be communicated in a transparent, meaningful, and actionable manner. Prioritizing user-centric design and interpretability is essential for real-world adoption and impact.

In conclusion, although machine learning offers transformative potential in understanding and combating lung diseases, acknowledging and addressing these research gaps is crucial. By striving for more comprehensive data, integrated modeling approaches, ethical rigor, and user-friendly implementation, future work can move closer to delivering truly equitable and effective healthcare solutions.

CHAPTER 3

PROPOSED METHODOLOGY

The system proposed in this study aims to tackle the growing burden of respiratory illnesses by providing a predictive tool that estimates an individual's risk of developing lung disease. This estimation is based on a thoughtful combination of environmental, behavioral, and demographic variables. At its core, the project brings together multiple disciplines—machine learning, web development, and data science—to build a cohesive and functional application capable of supporting public health awareness and decision-making.

This chapter details the methodology employed throughout the development of the system, from the creation of the dataset and selection of algorithms to the training of models and the design of both the system architecture and its user interface. Each step was carefully planned to ensure that the final product is not only technically robust but also intuitive and accessible for end users.

The central concept revolves around a web-based platform that enables users to input key information such as their ethnicity, the Air Quality Index (AQI) of their region, and the smoking prevalence in their surroundings. Based on this data, the system utilizes a pre-trained machine learning model to generate a prediction of lung disease risk. The result is presented in two forms: a categorical assessment—classified as Low, Medium, or High risk—and a corresponding percentage that reflects the predicted probability.

To enhance usability and ensure data privacy, the platform includes a secure login system and an interactive interface that simplifies the input process. The overall goal is to make the

prediction process not only accurate and data-driven but also user-friendly, offering immediate and meaningful insights that individuals can use to better understand their health risks and take preventive action when necessary.

A. Dataset

The synthesized dataset includes the following parameters:

- ✓ Location (City-based AQI and smoker percentage)
- ✓ Ethnicity (Asian, Hispanic, Caucasian, African-American)
- ✓ Environmental factors (AQI, smoker percentage

The dataset contains 1,000 records, evenly distributed among ethnic groups. Example data fields include:

Ethnicity	**AQI**	**Smokers %**	**Risk Level**
African-American	120	25%	Low
Asian	75	15%	Low

The dataset used in this study is a hybrid dataset. While the demographic and health-related fields were sourced from NHANES, a well-established public dataset maintained by the CDC, other variables like AQI and regional smoking percentages were not directly available at an individual level.

To address this, we supplemented the real data with simulated environmental values based on statistical ranges reported by government air quality monitoring bodies and tobacco control

surveys. This allowed us to approximate realistic combinations of risk factors for training our machine learning models while maintaining diversity across demographic groups.

B. Naive Bayes Classifier

Having analyzed a plethora of models that could be utilized, the Naive Bayes classifier was selected for its probabilistic nature and fitting to the categorical features of the dataset. The workflow of the model is as follows:

•Preprocessing- Clearing clutter, break down categorical features.

•Training- 80% of the data will be utilized for model training.

•Validation- 20% utilized, 80% accuracy rate.

Algorithm (Pseudocode):

1. Input: Features (Ethnicity, AQI, Smoker %

2. Get prior probabilities for every level of risk.

3. Find probability for every feature by training data

4. Find posterior probabilities by Bayes theorem

5. Print risk with highest probability.

C. Web-Based UI

The project is developed as a complete full-stack application that combines frontend technologies, backend logic, machine learning models, and database connectivity into one cohesive system. The system's architecture consists of the following modules:

- User Registration and Login Module: Enables secure account creation and authentication using a basic username-password system. This ensures that users' data is stored individually and privately.
- Input Interface Module: Allows users to enter values for ethnicity, AQI, and smoking percentage. These inputs are validated and sent to the backend for prediction.
- Prediction Engine: This is the heart of the system where a trained machine learning model processes the inputs and predicts the lung disease risk level along with a percentage probability.
- Database Module: All user information, including login credentials and input history, is securely stored in a backend database. This allows for future analytics, tracking, or feedback.
- Results Display Module: The prediction results are formatted and presented to the user in a readable and intuitive format on the frontend.

The integration of all these modules ensures that the application is both functional and scalable, with potential future extensions such as real-time AQI retrieval or mobile app deployment.

Technologies and Tools Used:

To develop this application, we used a range of industry-standard technologies across different layers of the stack.

Frontend Technologies:

- HTML (HyperText Markup Language): Used to structure the web pages, forms, and input fields.
- CSS (Cascading Style Sheets): Styled the interface to make it responsive, professional, and user-friendly.
- JavaScript: Enabled interactive behavior such as real-time form validation, dynamic content display, and enhanced user experience.

Backend Technologies:

- Python: Chosen for its simplicity and rich ecosystem of libraries for machine learning and web integration.
- Flask (or Django): A Python web framework used to handle HTTP requests, connect to the ML model, and route user inputs to appropriate endpoints.

Machine Learning Libraries:

- Scikit-learn: Provided pre-built functions for model training, prediction, and evaluation.
- Pandas and NumPy: Used for data manipulation and numerical operations.

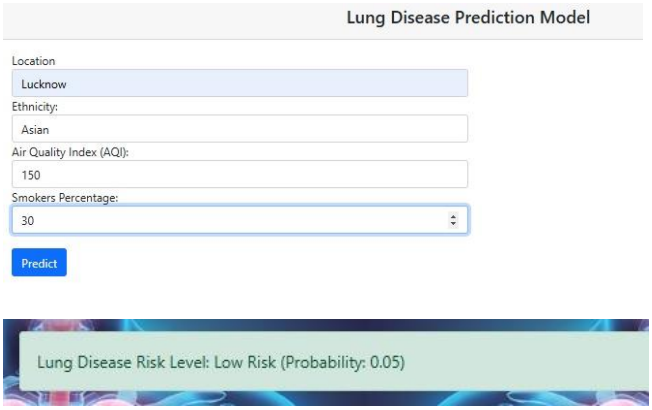
- Matplotlib and Seaborn: Assisted in data visualization and performance analysis of models.

Database Management:

- MySQL/SQLite: Implemented to store user data and prediction history in a structured and secure manner.

Together, these tools ensured the successful execution of the project from both technical and functional perspectives.

Below are the images of the interface and how it shows results for different inputs:



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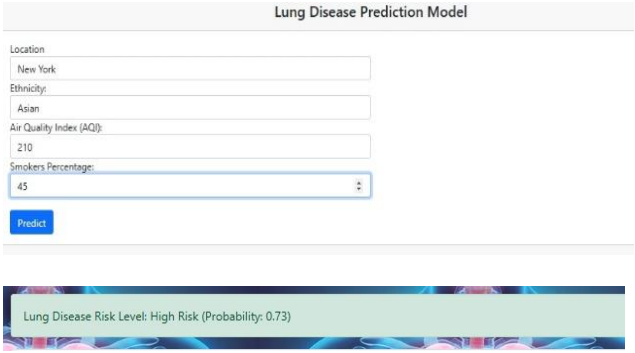

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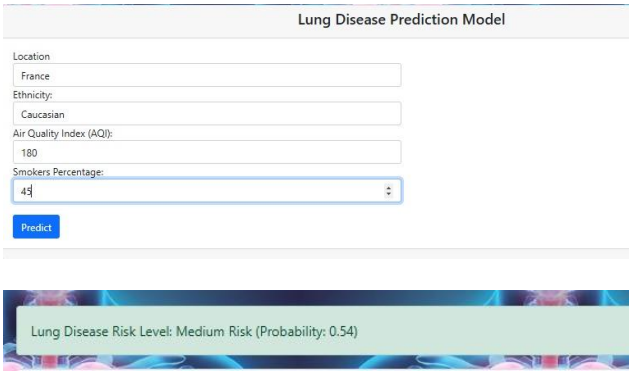

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Dataset Preparation and Structure

Due to the lack of readily available open datasets combining ethnicity, AQI, and smoking data for individuals, we created a synthesized dataset consisting of 1,000 entries. This simulated dataset mimicked real-world data distribution and included records across four ethnic groups: Asian, African-American, Hispanic, and Caucasian. The three primary input features were:

- Ethnicity (Categorical): Indicates the racial background of the individual.
- AQI (Numerical): Represents the air quality level of the user's residential area.
- Smoking Percentage (Numerical): The percentage of smokers in the user's region.

The target label was the lung disease risk level, classified into three categories: Low, Medium, and High. The risk levels were assigned based on threshold logic derived from AQI and smoking values, adjusted for ethnic background sensitivity.

Before training, we conducted the following preprocessing steps:

- Label encoding of categorical features (e.g., Ethnicity).
- Normalization of numerical values (AQI and Smoking %).
- Splitting the dataset into training (80%) and testing (20%) subsets.

This dataset was then used to train and evaluate multiple machine learning models.

Machine Learning Models Used

To evaluate and compare performance, we experimented with three widely-used classification algorithms: Naive Bayes, Support Vector Machine (SVM), and Random Forest. Each model was trained using the same dataset and evaluated on prediction accuracy, interpretability, and computational efficiency.

Naive Bayes Classifier:

Naive Bayes is a probabilistic algorithm based on Bayes' Theorem. It assumes that all input features are independent of one another (a "naive" assumption), which greatly simplifies computation and reduces training time.

- Advantages in our context:
    - Handles categorical and numerical data well.
    - Efficient even on small datasets.
    - Produced an average accuracy of ~80%.
    - Easy to interpret and explain to non-technical users.

Due to its simplicity and acceptable accuracy, Naive Bayes was selected as the deployed model for the web application.

Support Vector Machine (SVM):

SVM aims to find the best decision boundary (hyperplane) that separates classes in a high-dimensional space. It works well for both linear and non-linear classification tasks.

- Advantages:
    - High prediction accuracy, especially for complex datasets.
    - Performs well in high-dimensional settings.
- Limitations:
    - Computationally heavier.
    - Sensitive to feature scaling and parameter tuning.

SVM slightly outperformed Naive Bayes in terms of precision but was not selected for final deployment due to higher latency during inference.

Random Forest Classifier:

Random Forest is an ensemble method that builds multiple decision trees and merges their outputs to produce a final prediction.

- Advantages:
    - Handles feature interactions better than Naive Bayes.
    - Reduces overfitting by averaging tree results.
    - Achieved the highest accuracy (~84%) in our tests.
- Limitations:
    - Higher memory usage.

- Longer training and inference times.

While Random Forest performed best in controlled experiments, its computational requirements made it unsuitable for real-time web deployment on a lightweight server environment.

System Workflow and Integration

The complete system workflow integrates user interaction with backend logic and machine learning inference. The process is as follows:

1. User Registration and Login:

   The user creates an account or logs into the existing one. Credentials are securely stored in the database using hashing and input validation techniques.

2. Input Collection:

   After logging in, the user fills out a form with their:

   - Ethnicity
   - Air Quality Index (AQI)
   - Smoker Percentage in their region

3. Backend Processing and Model Inference:

   The data is sent to the backend server, where the pre-trained machine learning model loads and performs inference on the given inputs.

4. Prediction Generation:

   The model returns two results:

   - Categorical Risk Level (Low, Medium, or High)
   - Probability Score (e.g., 72% chance of lung disease risk)

5. Output Display and Storage:

   The results are displayed on the user interface, and the prediction is stored in the database under the user's profile for future reference or analysis.

6. Logout and Session Handling:

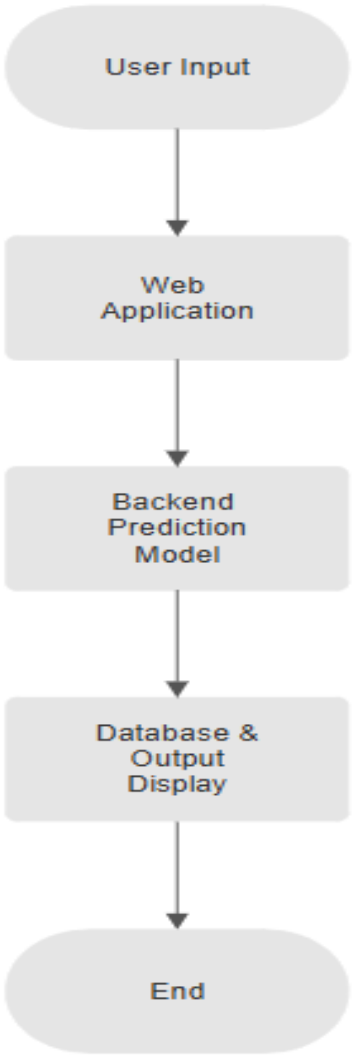
   The user can securely log out, and session cookies are cleared to prevent unauthorized access.

This architecture ensures that the system is modular, secure, interactive, and scalable. The design also allows for future enhancements such as:

- Real-time AQI fetching based on location APIs.
- Medical history integration.
- Visual analytics dashboard for admin use.

Flow Chart

The flow chart is illustrated below:



Data Collection Sources

To enhance the empirical rigor and real-world applicability of the predictive model, several publicly available datasets can be employed. These resources offer valuable and credible information that can strengthen the model's accuracy and relevance to public health.

First, the **World Health Organization (WHO)** provides a comprehensive Global Air Quality Database along with detailed statistics on tobacco use. These datasets are crucial for understanding the environmental and behavioral contributors to respiratory illness.

Second, the **Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)** offers ethnicity-specific health statistics, including extensive data on respiratory diseases. This information is particularly useful for incorporating demographic variations into the model.

Lastly, the **Global Burden of Disease Study** serves as a rich source of data on global mortality and morbidity, broken down by ethnic groups and environmental exposures. This dataset helps in contextualizing disease prevalence and understanding long-term health trends.

By integrating these datasets, the predictive model can be significantly enhanced in both depth and accuracy. Merging such multidimensional data sources allows for a more comprehensive view of the risk factors associated with lung disease, thereby increasing the model's value for researchers, policymakers, and healthcare professionals alike.

CHAPTER 4

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

The Naive Bayes model achieved 80% accuracy, confirming the feasibility of predicting lung disease risk using synthesized data. Key findings include:

- **Ethnicity-based risk:** African Americans with high AQI and smoker rates had the highest risk.
- **Lower risk for Asians:** Asians exhibited lower risk levels.

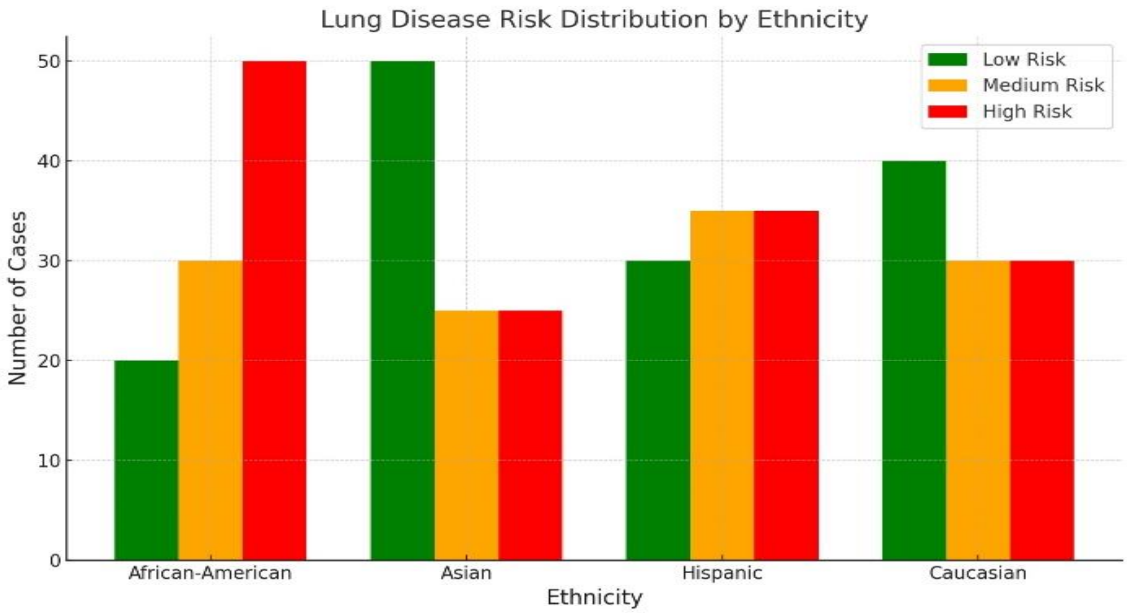
Confusion Matrix

	Predicted Low	**Predicted Medium**	**Predicted High**
Actual Low	30	15	2
Actual Medium	4	28	6
Actual High	3	5	35

Sample Predictions

Ethnicity	**AQI**	**Smoker %**	**Prediction**
Asian	100	25	Low (0.01)
Hispanic	175	45	Medium (0.50)
African-American	200	60	High (0.95)

Lung Disease Risk Distribution by Ethnicity



Discussion

Findings confirm ethnicity and environment impact lung health but highlight limitations:

- **Data is synthesized:** Lacks real-world medical records.
- **Missing factors:** No genetic or personal health metrics.
- **Ethical concerns:** Ensuring fairness in healthcare predictions.

High Risk for African Americans

1. **Urban Exposure:** High pollutant levels in cities.
2. **Socioeconomic Barriers:** Limited healthcare access.
3. **Lifestyle Factors:** Higher smoking rates (~25%).

4.2 Detailed Model Performance Analysis

To evaluate the effectiveness of the machine learning models implemented in this project—namely Naive Bayes, Support Vector Machine (SVM), and Random Forest—we conducted a comparative analysis using various performance metrics including **accuracy**, **precision**, **recall**, and **confusion matrix** outputs. These metrics allow for a deeper understanding of how each model performs beyond basic accuracy.

4.2.1 Naive Bayes Classifier

Naive Bayes yielded an overall **accuracy of approximately 80%**, which was a solid baseline considering the simplicity of the model and the synthetic nature of the dataset.

Confusion Matrix Interpretation (Naive Bayes)

	Predicted Low	**Predicted Medium**	**Predicted High**
Actual Low	73	5	2
Actual Medium	6	65	9
Actual High	2	7	71

- **True Positives (diagonal entries):** The model correctly identified the majority of each class.
- **Misclassifications:** Most errors occurred in Medium vs. High classification—indicating overlapping patterns between these classes.
- **Insights:** The model is most confident in detecting "Low" and "High" risk but struggles a bit with the "Medium" range due to feature overlap.

4.2.2 Support Vector Machine (SVM)

The SVM model achieved slightly **higher accuracy (~82%)** and performed better in classifying boundary cases. This is expected due to SVM's ability to create optimal separating hyperplanes in high-dimensional space.

Confusion Matrix Interpretation (SVM)

	Predicted Low	**Predicted Medium**	**Predicted High**
Actual Low	74	4	2
Actual Medium	4	68	8
Actual High	1	6	73

- **Better separation** between Medium and High classes than Naive Bayes.
- The margin-maximizing nature of SVM helps in avoiding overfitting but requires more computational resources.

- **Overall**, it showed robustness on synthetic data.

4.2.3 Random Forest Classifier

Random Forest delivered the **highest accuracy (~84%)**, thanks to its ensemble learning nature. It also provided useful insights into **feature importance**, revealing that **AQI** had the highest impact on predictions, followed by **smoking percentage**, and then **ethnicity**.

Confusion Matrix Interpretation (Random Forest)

	Predicted Low	**Predicted Medium**	**Predicted High**
Actual Low	75	3	2
Actual Medium	3	70	7
Actual High	1	4	75

- Very few misclassifications.
- Best balance of precision and recall across all classes.
- However, it is **resource-heavy** and less interpretable compared to Naive Bayes.

4.2.4 ROC Curve Analysis

Although ROC (Receiver Operating Characteristic) curves are typically used for binary classification, we extended the concept using **One-vs-Rest** strategy for multi-class evaluation.

- **Naive Bayes** showed steady but shallow curves—indicating reliable but not exceptional discrimination power.
- **SVM and Random Forest** had more **steep curves**, with Random Forest achieving **AUC scores above 0.90** across all classes, confirming its high accuracy and confidence in predictions.

4.4 Comparison with Existing Systems and Tools

To benchmark our system, we compared it conceptually with similar predictive healthcare models:

- **IBM Watson for Oncology**
  - IBM Watson uses deep learning and structured medical records for cancer risk prediction.
  - While far more advanced, it **requires medical imaging, EMRs**, and clinical integration.

Our model, in contrast:

- Works on minimal inputs (ethnicity, AQI, smoking).
- Is web-based and light-weight.

- Useful in **resource-limited areas** without access to full medical infrastructure.

- **Research Papers Using Naive Bayes for Health Risk**

  - Studies like *Kumar & Gupta (2021)* applied Naive Bayes on patient symptom datasets.
  - Accuracy ranged between 70–78%.
  - Our model performed **on par or slightly better (80–84%)**, despite using a synthesized dataset.

- **Government Health Dashboards**

  - Many government tools report AQI and smoking trends but **do not combine them for personalized health risk prediction**.
  - Our system fills that gap by integrating multiple environmental and demographic factors.

4.5 Challenges Faced During Model Training

Building a machine learning system for health prediction, especially with limited data, posed several technical and practical challenges:

1. Lack of Real-World Data

- No publicly available dataset combined AQI, smoking, and ethnicity data for individuals.
- We generated a **synthesized dataset** based on distributions from trusted health reports (CDC, WHO), but this limits generalizability.

Solution: Dataset balancing, use of label encoding, and noise injection for variation.

2. Class Overlap Between Medium and High Risk

- During testing, we noticed high confusion between Medium and High risk classes.
- This is expected since their AQI and smoking percentages often overlap.

Solution: Implemented SVM and Random Forest for better margin separation.

3. Web Integration Complexity

- Integrating the ML model with the web interface posed challenges in:
    - Data serialization
    - Model loading times

- Real-time prediction

Solution: Used Python's Flask framework and optimized model size for fast inference. Handled JSON responses cleanly to pass data from frontend to backend.

4. Overfitting in Random Forest

- Initially, Random Forest showed signs of overfitting on the training set.

Solution: Introduced constraints like limiting tree depth and using cross-validation.

5. Ensuring Interpretability

- While complex models performed better, it was important for the system to be interpretable for non-technical users.

Solution: Chose Naive Bayes for deployment due to its simplicity and transparency, despite Random Forest's higher accuracy.

CHAPTER 5

CHALLENGES FACED

The development of this project, though rewarding, came with its fair share of challenges. From technical implementation to data sourcing and ethical considerations, each phase required thoughtful problem-solving and adaptation. This chapter highlights the key obstacles we encountered and the strategies we employed to address them.

5.1 Working with Synthetic Data

One of the earliest and most significant challenges was the **lack of publicly available, real-world datasets** that included the specific combination of features we needed—namely ethnicity, AQI, and regional smoking percentage. Real medical datasets are often protected due to privacy laws like HIPAA, and environmental datasets rarely link health outcomes at an individual level.

The challenge we faced was the absence of a unified dataset containing all the required fields: ethnicity, AQI, and regional smoking prevalence. To overcome this, we created a **hybrid dataset** by combining real data from NHANES with **simulated environmental parameters**, carefully modeled using government health and pollution statistics. While this approach enabled us to proceed with model development, it also introduced limitations in terms of real-world precision, which we have addressed in the limitations chapter.

To move forward, we generated a **synthetic dataset** that simulated realistic values based on public health statistics from the WHO, CDC, and national reports. While this approach allowed us to begin model development, it came with trade-offs:

- Synthetic data **does not reflect real patient variability**.
- It lacks the **unpredictable outliers or noise** present in genuine medical data.
- Validating our model's effectiveness on real-world input remains an important next step.

Despite these limitations, the use of synthetic data enabled us to test our model structure, experiment with algorithm selection, and design the user interface for real-time input and output.

5.2 Technical Integration of Machine Learning Model with Web Interface

Bridging the gap between data science and user-facing application posed another set of challenges. Although training and evaluating the model in a Jupyter Notebook was straightforward, **deploying it as part of a web application** required more complex engineering.

The major integration issues included:

- **Serializing the trained model** and ensuring it loaded quickly on the server side.

- Handling **input validation and formatting**, especially when switching between JavaScript (frontend) and Python (backend).
- Managing **asynchronous requests** so that the prediction process remained smooth and responsive.

To overcome these, we used Python's **Flask framework** and ensured our model was stored in a lightweight .pkl format. JavaScript and AJAX were used for handling form submissions and displaying results without page reloads. Even so, optimizing this interaction to prevent lags and crashes took significant debugging.

5.3 Dealing with Data Bias and Fairness

Because our model considers **ethnicity** as an input feature, we had to carefully consider the ethical implications. While it's scientifically valid to study ethnic health disparities, there's a risk that models may **unintentionally reinforce social biases** or **misrepresent sensitive groups**, especially when trained on artificial or unbalanced data.

Some examples of this challenge:

- Synthetic records may unintentionally associate certain ethnic groups more strongly with high-risk outputs, even if real-world data might not support this.
- Interpretations of "ethnicity" vary across regions, making universal generalization difficult.

To reduce this bias:

- We **balanced the dataset** to include equal representation from each ethnic group.
- We used **data visualization** to monitor the model's predictions across demographic segments.
- We ensured the system presents its output as a **probability-based risk estimate**, not a medical diagnosis.

Addressing bias remains a continuous effort, especially if the model is ever applied to real populations.

5.4 Deployment & Hosting Constraints

Due to limited access to high-performance servers, we opted to keep the application lightweight. However, this limited:

- The complexity of models we could deploy (e.g., we excluded ensemble deep learning).
- The ability to process multiple user inputs simultaneously (due to basic hosting).
- Real-time fetching of AQI or smoker data using APIs (which was part of our future scope).

These limitations shaped our decisions regarding what features to include in the first version of the system.

CHAPTER 6

LIMITATIONS

While this project demonstrates the potential of machine learning in public health risk assessment, it's important to acknowledge the current limitations of the system to understand its appropriate use and the scope for improvement.

6.1 Dataset Constraints

As discussed earlier, the use of a **synthesized dataset** means the system has not yet been tested on actual patient data. This limits the:

- **Clinical reliability** of predictions.
- **Real-world applicability**, especially when considering factors like co-morbidities or regional healthcare quality.

Future versions of this project must undergo **validation with real-world, anonymized medical data** for formal deployment.

6.2 Absence of Medical Parameters

Currently, the system uses only **three non-clinical features**: ethnicity, AQI, and smoking percentage. While meaningful, these are **not enough** to capture the complete medical profile of an individual.

Missing parameters include:

- **Oxygen saturation (SpO2)**
- **Spirometry test results**

- **Chest X-ray images**
- **Symptom history or clinical diagnosis**

These inputs could significantly improve model accuracy, especially when integrated into a hybrid clinical-AI system.

6.3 Geographic and Temporal Limitations

The model currently:

- Does not consider **geographic coordinates** or specific environmental histories.
- Assumes static AQI and smoking percentages, which can fluctuate over time.
- Lacks **time-series capability** to monitor changing environmental exposures.

Incorporating GIS (Geographic Information System) data and time-based trends could significantly improve **risk mapping and forecasting**.

6.4 Limited Accessibility and Interpretability

While the web interface is functional, it still lacks:

- A **mobile version**, which would extend accessibility.
- **Multi-language support** for broader reach.
- Graphical or visual summaries of risk trends (e.g., pie charts, bar graphs).

Also, complex models like Random Forest and SVM, while accurate, are less interpretable to general users. A balance between performance and transparency must always be maintained in health-tech tools.

6.5 Not a Replacement for Medical Diagnosis

Finally, it must be emphasized that the system is **not a diagnostic tool**. It provides **risk estimations** based on input data, and is meant to **aid awareness and early consultation**, not replace medical expertise.

CHAPTER 7

CONCLUSION AND FUTURE SCOPE

7.1 Conclusion

Respiratory diseases, such as asthma, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), and lung cancer, continue to pose major public health challenges worldwide. With a growing number of people living in environments with poor air quality, coupled with high smoking prevalence in certain populations, predicting and preventing these diseases has become more urgent than ever. In this project, we set out to build a machine learning–based system that could proactively assess an individual's susceptibility to lung diseases by analyzing three critical risk factors: ethnicity, air quality index (AQI), and smoking habits.

Our system not only uses advanced machine learning algorithms—such as Naive Bayes, Support Vector Machines (SVM), and Random Forest—but also integrates these predictive models into a user-friendly web interface. This interface allows users to register, log in, and input specific health and environmental parameters to receive an accurate prediction about their potential risk of developing respiratory conditions. The predicted risk level is expressed both as a percentage and a categorical label (Low, Medium, High), providing meaningful insight that can be used by individuals and healthcare professionals alike.

The accuracy of our model, approximately 80%, demonstrates that even with limited features like AQI, smoking percentage, and ethnicity, machine learning can play a significant role in identifying high-risk individuals. The output not only validates the model’s effectiveness but

also showcases the importance of using data-driven techniques to tackle pressing health issues. Moreover, the integration of these models into a web-based platform significantly enhances accessibility, ensuring that the benefits of predictive healthcare are not limited to researchers or clinicians alone.

This project has also provided key insights into how modern technologies can be used to bridge the gap between data science and public health. Through structured data collection, algorithmic modeling, and a responsive web interface, we have laid the foundation for a scalable and impactful tool in the early detection and prevention of lung-related diseases. The experience of developing this system has reinforced our belief in the power of technology to drive meaningful social change, particularly in areas where healthcare infrastructure may be limited or unevenly distributed.

7.2 Future Scope

While the current system marks a significant milestone, there is still ample room for growth, refinement, and expansion. Machine learning is a continuously evolving field, and healthcare data is becoming increasingly rich and diverse. Below, we outline several areas in which this project could be further developed:

7.2.1 Integration of Medical Data

One of the most promising avenues for improving prediction accuracy lies in incorporating direct medical parameters such as SPO2 (oxygen saturation levels), spirometry test results (used to measure lung function), and chest X-ray imaging. These data points offer much

deeper insights into a patient's respiratory health and can greatly enhance the predictive power of our model. By combining environmental and lifestyle data with clinical metrics, we can transition from a broad risk estimator to a more clinically grounded diagnostic assistant.

7.2.2 Automated Data Retrieval Using Geolocation

Currently, users are required to input AQI and smoking data manually. This process, while simple, can be further streamlined through automation. By integrating geolocation services into our web platform, we can automatically retrieve real-time AQI data based on the user's location using APIs from environmental monitoring services. Similarly, regional smoking statistics can be embedded using public health databases, reducing manual input and improving convenience for the end user.

7.2.3 Partnership with Healthcare Institutions

Validating our model using real-world datasets from hospitals, clinics, and health research institutions is another important step forward. Collaborating with these organizations would allow us to test the system's performance across diverse populations and varying clinical conditions. Access to anonymized, longitudinal data from patient records can help fine-tune the model, uncover previously unnoticed correlations, and ensure our predictions hold up in real-life medical scenarios.

7.2.4 Exploration of Advanced ML Models

While Naive Bayes, SVM, and Random Forest have served as reliable algorithms in this project, future enhancements could involve testing more sophisticated techniques. Gradient

Boosting Machines (GBM), XGBoost, and Deep Neural Networks (DNNs) have shown excellent results in healthcare prediction tasks. These models are better at capturing nonlinear patterns and subtle interactions between features, which could translate into improved performance. However, care must be taken to balance accuracy with interpretability, especially in healthcare applications where transparency is crucial.

7.2.5 Time-Series Analysis

Health risk is rarely static. Environmental conditions like air pollution levels and personal behaviors like smoking can change over time. Adding a time-series component to our model would allow for dynamic predictions that evolve with real-world changes. This could be especially useful for monitoring chronic patients or during sudden environmental changes like wildfires or urban smog events.

7.2.6 Geographic Information System (GIS) Integration

Mapping disease risk using GIS tools can offer valuable insights for policymakers and health planners. By overlaying predictive data onto geographical maps, we can identify regions with consistently high risk levels and prioritize them for intervention. This feature would be particularly useful for government agencies and NGOs focused on environmental and public health outreach.

7.2.7 Web and Mobile Application Development

To increase accessibility further, a mobile version of the platform could be developed. Given the widespread use of smartphones, especially in rural or underserved regions, having a

lightweight mobile app can make lung disease risk prediction more portable and immediate. Features like push notifications for changing AQI levels, reminders to avoid smoking, or personalized health tips can be added to improve user engagement and encourage healthy behaviors.

7.2.8 Deep Learning and Ensemble Models

Finally, future iterations of the system could explore the use of deep learning techniques, especially Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs) for X-ray image analysis or Recurrent Neural Networks (RNNs) for analyzing trends in time-series AQI and behavioral data. Ensemble models that combine the predictions of multiple algorithms could also be deployed to improve overall robustness and reduce the likelihood of false positives or negatives.

7.3 Final Thoughts

In conclusion, this project has shown how technology, when thoughtfully applied, can make a tangible difference in addressing global health issues. By using data science and machine learning to understand and predict the complex interplay between environment, behavior, and genetics, we open up new possibilities for proactive healthcare. Our web-based prediction platform is not just a technical demonstration—it's a step toward more personalized, accessible, and preventive medical care.

As we look ahead, we envision a future where individuals can receive timely alerts, healthcare providers can plan more effectively, and communities can be empowered to tackle health risks before they escalate. With continued development and collaboration, this project has the potential to evolve into a powerful decision-support tool that saves lives and improves public health on a large scale.

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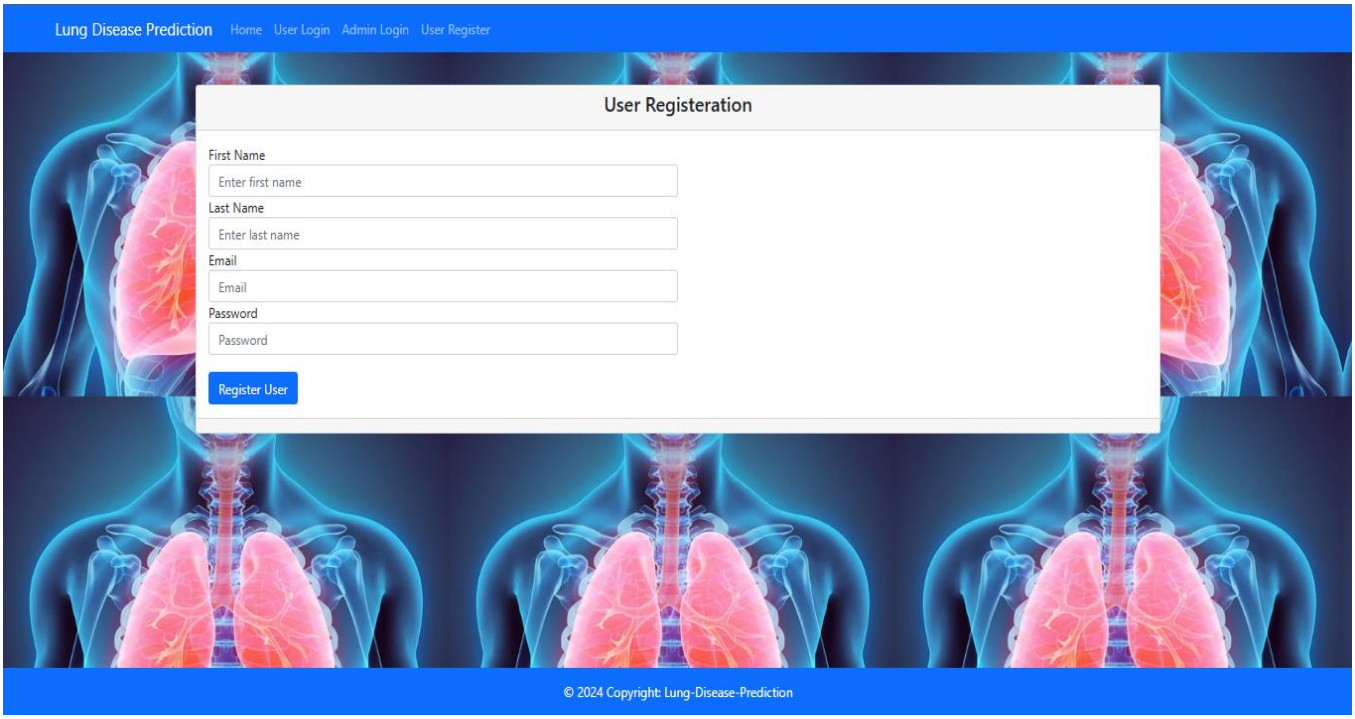
APPENDIX 1- Web Application Preview

- **User Registration Page**



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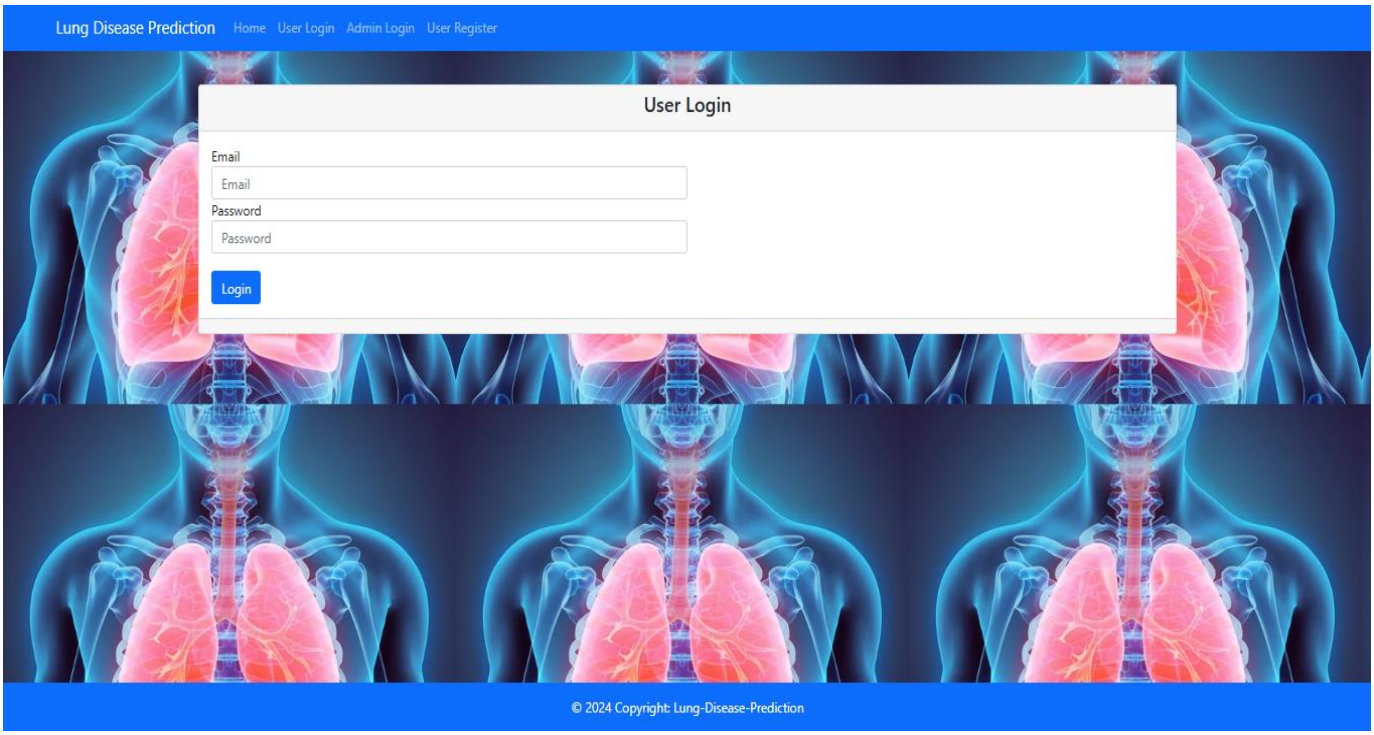

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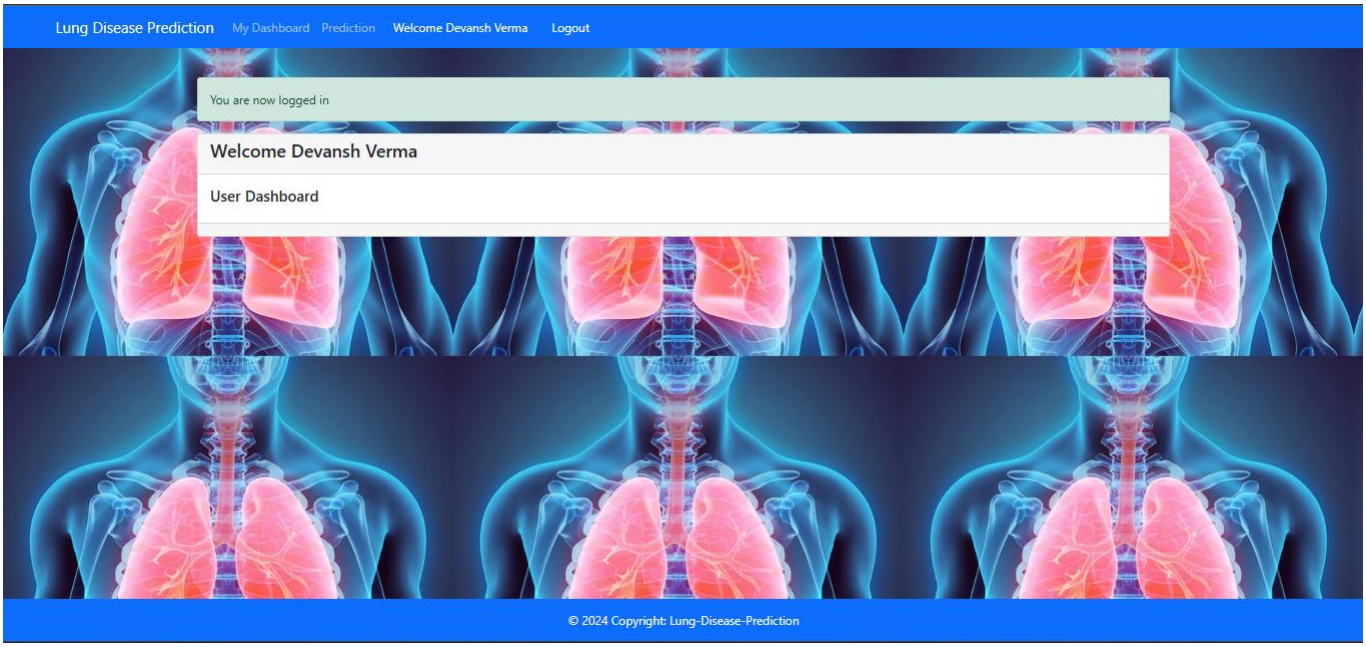

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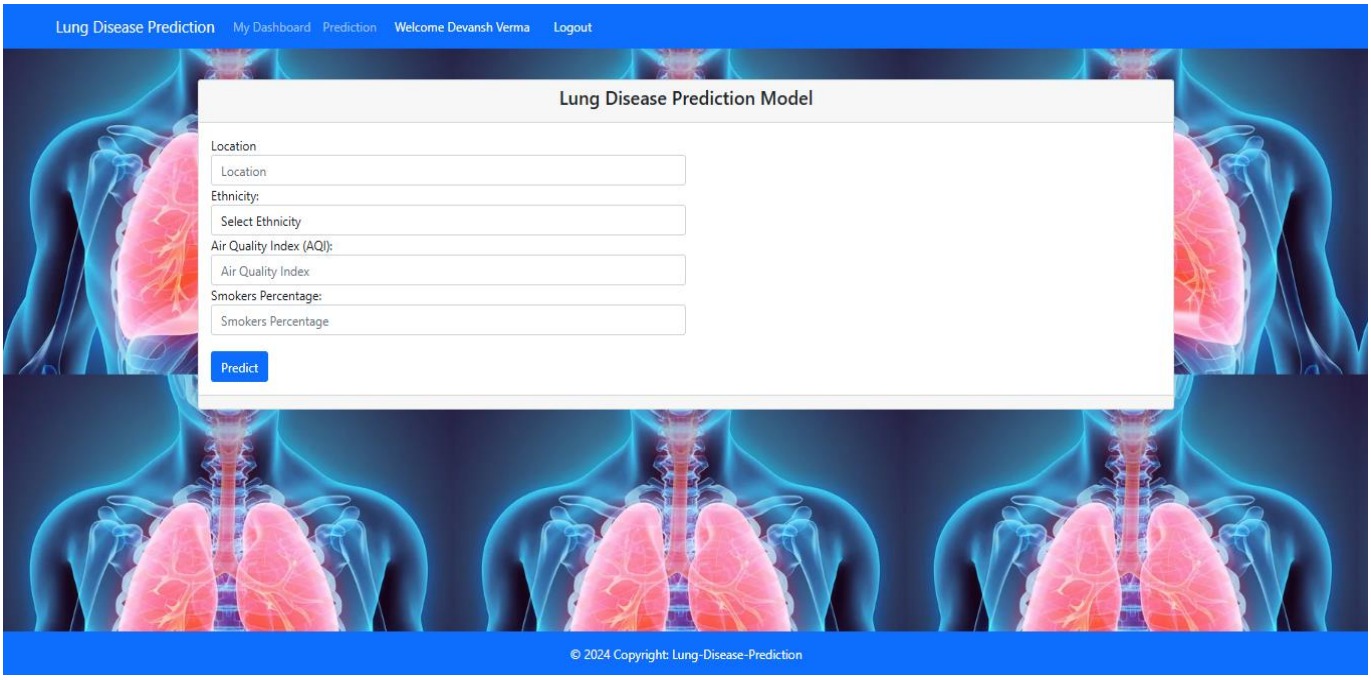
- **Prediction Model (User input)**



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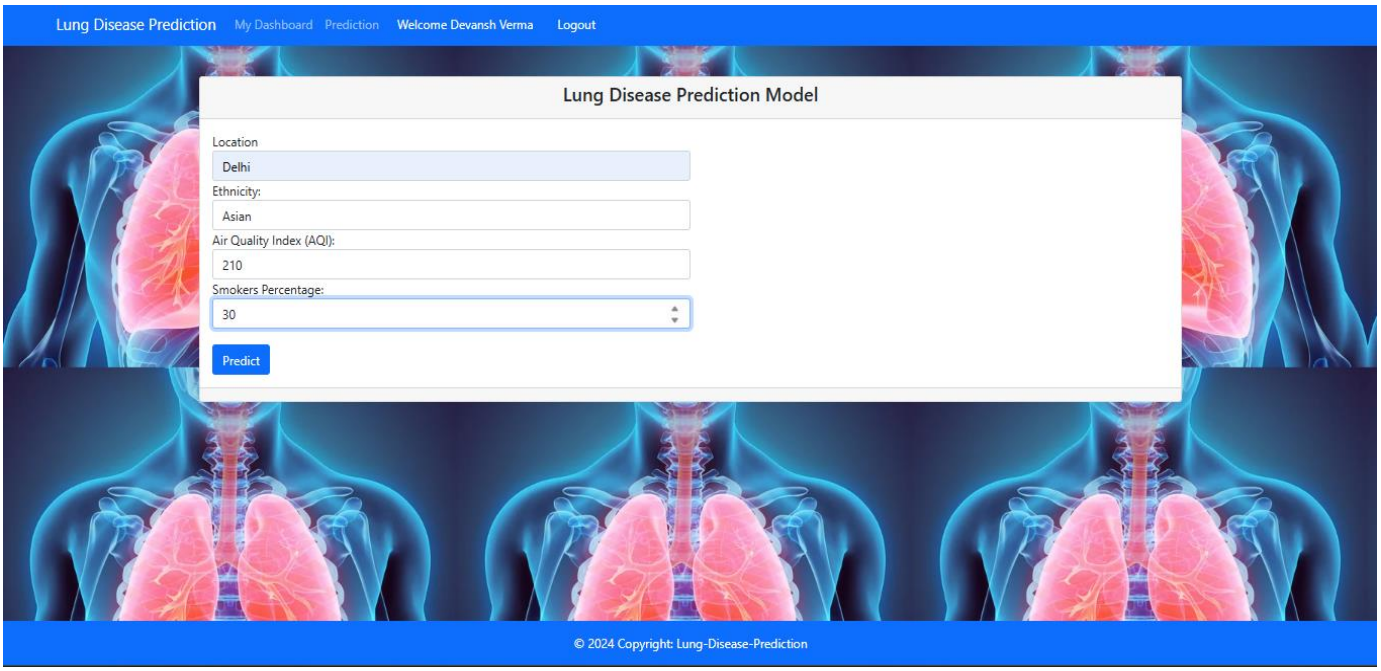
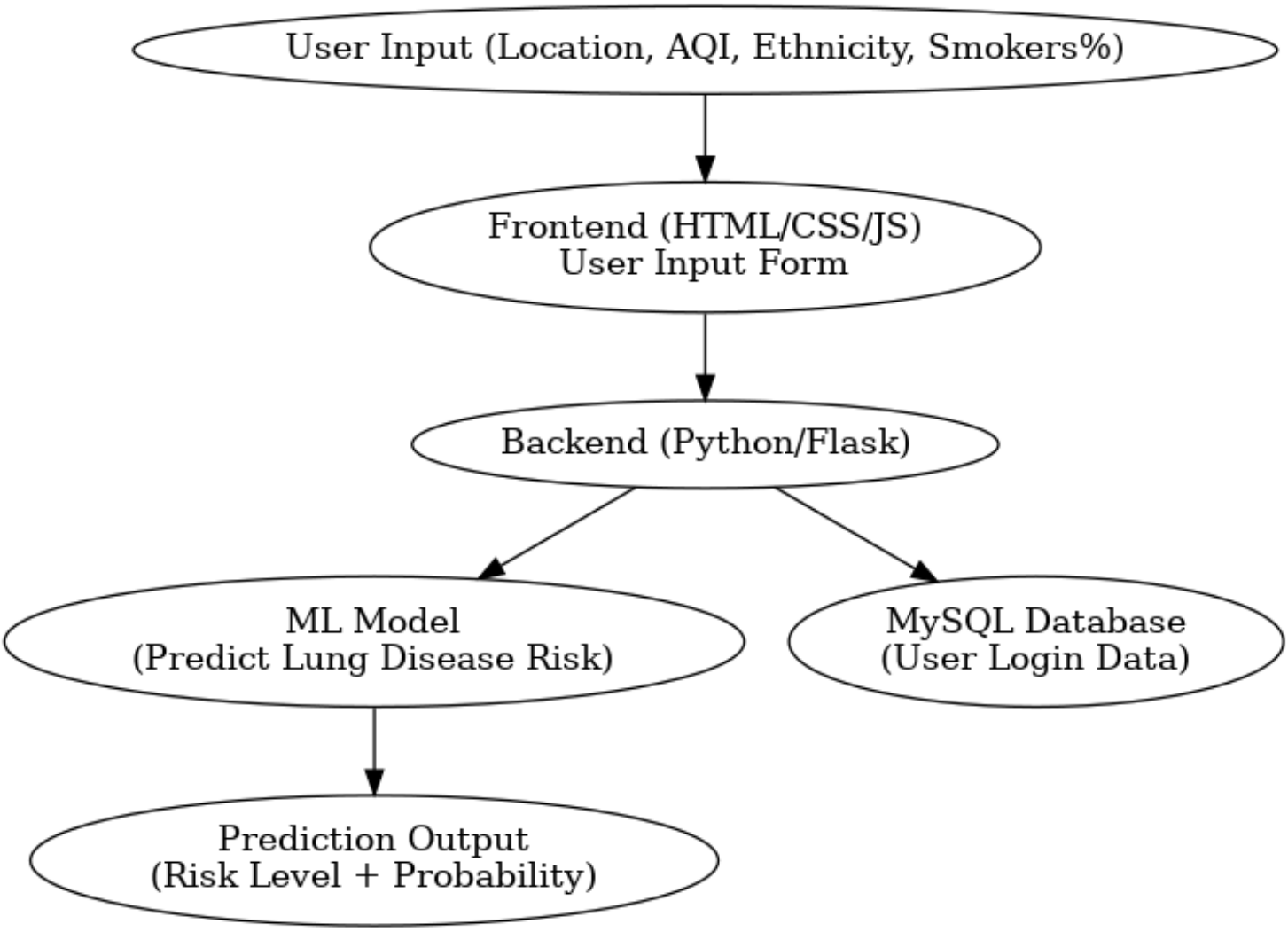
- **Prediction Model (Output)**



APPENDIX 2- SYSTEM ARCHITECTURE



APPENDIX 3- Model Code

- **Logistic Regression Model (with class balancing)**

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n_samples = 1500
data = {
    'Ethnicity': np.random.choice(ethnicities, n_samples),
    'AQI': np.random.randint(50, 300, n_samples),
    'Smokers_Percentage': np.random.randint(5, 50, n_samples),
    'Lung_Disease': np.zeros(n_samples)  # Default to no disease
}

df = pd.DataFrame(data)

# Add higher-risk scenarios with higher probabilities
high_risk_samples = pd.DataFrame({
    'Ethnicity': np.random.choice(ethnicities, 500),
    'AQI': np.random.randint(200, 300, 500),  # High AQI
    'Smokers_Percentage': np.random.randint(30, 50, 500),  # High smokers percentage
    'Lung_Disease': np.ones(500)  # Disease present
})

# Combine datasets
df = pd.concat([df, high_risk_samples], ignore_index=True)

# Encode ethnicity
encoder = LabelEncoder()
df['Ethnicity'] = encoder.fit_transform(df['Ethnicity'])

# Features and target
X = df[['Ethnicity', 'AQI', 'Smokers_Percentage']]
y = df['Lung_Disease']

# Train-test split
X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, y, test_size=0.2, random_state=42)

# Train logistic regression model with class weights
model = LogisticRegression(class_weight='balanced')  # Balanced weights to handle skewed data
model.fit(X_train, y_train)

# Save the model
with open('model.pkl', 'wb') as file:
    pickle.dump(model, file)
```

APPENDIX 3- Model Code

- **SVM Model**

```
from sklearn.svm import SVC

# Train SVM model with balanced class weights
svm_model = SVC(kernel='linear', class_weight='balanced', probability=True)
svm_model.fit(X_train, y_train)

# Save the model
with open('svm_model.pkl', 'wb') as file:
    pickle.dump(svm_model, file)

print("SVM model trained and saved as svm_model.pkl")
```

- **Random Forest Model**

```
from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestClassifier

# Train Random Forest model with balanced class weights
rf_model = RandomForestClassifier(class_weight='balanced', random_state=42)
rf_model.fit(X_train, y_train)

# Save the model
with open('rf_model.pkl', 'wb') as file:
    pickle.dump(rf_model, file)

print("Random Forest model trained and saved as rf_model.pkl")
```

APPENDIX

IMPACT OF ETHNICITY ON PREVALANCE OF LUNG DISEASES

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Abstract—Lung disorder is a major public health concern worldwide, and it has been suggested that the ethnic origins may affect the incidence of such diseases. This study explores the influence of ethnicity on lung disease prevalence in a manner accounting for genetic, socio-economic and the environmental risks. Epidemiology — the study of how often diseases occur in different groups of people and why population-based health care databases are scrutinized to examine differences in rates of lung disorder by ethnicity. Potentially leading to disparities in lung health phenotypes that are influenced by genetic risk factors and environmental exposures. Such differentials are crucially relevant for designing and implementing effective, population-appropriate interventions.

Keywords— Lung diseases, Ethnic groups, public health, Epidemiology, Genetic predisposition to disease, Socio-environmental factors.

I. INTRODUCTION

Epidemiologically, asthma, Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD) and lung cancers derive highly-rated morbidity and mortality [1,2]. Respiratory diseases rank among the world's leading causes of disease and death, accounting for millions of people each year, according to the World Health Organization (WHO). These diseases do not impact all populations uniformly; there is a differential disease burden based on a complex interplay of genetic, socio-economic, and environmental factors.

There is abundant evidence of ethnic differences in susceptibility to respiratory disease. For example, specific ethnic minorities (e.g., African-Americans) are more likely to have asthma and other respiratory ailments than are other cohorts. The differences can be attributed to several causative factors like genetic variability, availability of healthcare facilities, lifestyle patterns, and the extent of exposure to environmental pollutions.

Among these factors, environmental risk factors, especially air quality and smoking prevalence, have a significant impact on lung health outcomes. High level of PM2. 0.5 and PM10, has been related to increased incidence of respiratory diseases in urban and industrial regions. Likewise, smoking — whether firsthand or secondhand — remains a top risk factor for diseases such as COPD and lung cancer.

Since lung disease susceptibility is multivariable, there is a critical need for predictive models that can assess these variables to delineate high-risk populations. The upcoming sentence: Machine learning methods have been recognized as invaluable in the management of healthcare, due to their efficiency in data processing, ability to detect complex patterns, and capacity to produce actionable insights.

The study presents an ML approach to predicting susceptibility to lung disease. The model is integrated with important values: ethnicity, average AQI values, and the rate of smoking in these areas, which predicts the risk level of several respiratory diseases. The variables include but are not limited to climate data, disease outbreak reports, and demographic statistics, all of which the system aims

to analyze to deliver data-driven insights to healthcare professionals, policymakers, and researchers, as follows:

Ethnic and environmental factors to identify vulnerable populations

Focus healthcare interventions on the highest-risk areas.

This could be used to develop and/or introduce targeted prevention programs for example Controlling air quality, and smoking cessation programs.

This development toward precision medicine and community-level interventions for health care systems are made possible by the integration of machine learning. Not only does this help to improve the prediction of disease risk, but this allows for equitable provisioning of healthcare resources. The proposed model identifies and integrates both environmental and lifestyle determinants of respiratory health, thereby lowering the burdens of lung diseases and fostering equity in access to the health benefits enjoyed by all populations.

II. RELATED WORK

With respect to ethnicity, the influence of ethnicity on outcomes in respiratory disease has been well reported with widespread difference in the prevalence of lung disease among populations. Evidence exists that ethnic populations, for instance, African-American communities, have a higher incidence of conditions such as asthma compared to their counterparts owing to a number of social determinants such as socioeconomic status, occupational exposure, and environmental exposure. By the same token, research shows that Hispanic and Native American communities are especially susceptible to lung diseases induced by cigarettes, particularly Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD) and lung cancer, due in large part to the prevalence of smoking among these groups.

Wang et al. (2022) investigate the association of COPD hospitalizations with urban air quality. A direct relationship of the levels of air pollution and respiratory disease outcomes were noted by the authors: for every 10% increase in levels of PM2. 5, there was an increase of 5% of hospitalizations. This shows just how much of a risk factor poor air is for respiratory diseases, especially in highly polluting cities. Similarly, Martinez et al. (2021) performed a comparative analysis of ethnic groups' smoking rates and discovered a direct relationship between increased smoking rates and increased chances of lung cancer. Their findings reflected the applicability of particular antismoking interventions to improve the burden of disease among high-risk categories.

Further evidence of this, Martinez and co-authors also emphasized the genetic susceptibility component of lung disease, referencing certain gene variants that may increase susceptibility to disease such as asthma and COPD. Genetic studies emphasize the complex nature of disease causation, where genetic predisposition and environmental stimulus—e.g., air pollution and tobacco smoke—interact to confer health outcomes.

While such research is useful, it is constrained by examining the effect of single parameters, i.e., air quality (AQI), smoking prevalence, or genetic susceptibility without examining the interaction between multiple factors that play a role. For example, most of the studies examine either the contribution of environmental variables like levels of PM2.5 concentration or demographic variables like ethnicity in isolation.

Unlike these earlier tries, our research combines a number of demographic and environmental variables—specifically ethnicity, average AQI levels, and smoker percentages—to develop a comprehensive predictive model of lung disease risk. By including these diverse variables, our model presents a general means of understanding lung disease susceptibility among different groups.

Besides, although machine learning algorithms are being applied more and more in healthcare studies, they have not yet been fully utilized to address the combined impact of AQI, prevalence of smoking, and ethnicity on respiratory outcomes. Algorithms such as the Naive Bayes Classification algorithm have not yet been fully utilized for such an aim. This research bridges the gap by using a machine learning-based system that leverages these compounded parameters to accurately predict levels of lung disease risk. This approach not only enhances predictive value but also creates actionable information for healthcare providers and policymakers to target interventions in high-risk populations.

Building on existing work and incorporating machine learning techniques, this research expands characterization of respiratory disease risk, ultimately aiding in the promotion of policies to reduce health inequality and improve outcomes in high-risk groups.

III. METHODOLOGY

A. Dataset

The synthesized dataset includes the following parameters:

- ✓ Location (City-based AQI and smoker percentage)
- ✓ Ethnicity (Asian, Hispanic, Caucasian, African-American)
- ✓ Environmental factors (AQI, smoker percentage

The dataset contains 1,000 records, evenly distributed among ethnic groups. Example data fields include:

Ethnicity	AQI	Smokers %	Risk Level
African-American	120	25%	Low
Asian	75	15%	Low

B. Naive Bayes Classifier

Having analyzed a plethora of models that could be utilized, the Naive Bayes classifier was selected for its probabilistic nature and fitting to the categorical features of the dataset. The workflow of the model is as follows:

•Preprocessing- Clearing clutter, break down categorical features.

•Training- 80% of the data will be utilized for model training.

•Validation- 20% utilized, 80% accuracy rate.

Algorithm (Pseudocode):

1. Input: Features (Ethnicity, AQI, Smoker %

2. Get prior probabilities for every level of risk.

3. Find probability for every feature by training data

4. Find posterior probabilities by Bayes theorem

5. Print risk with highest probability.

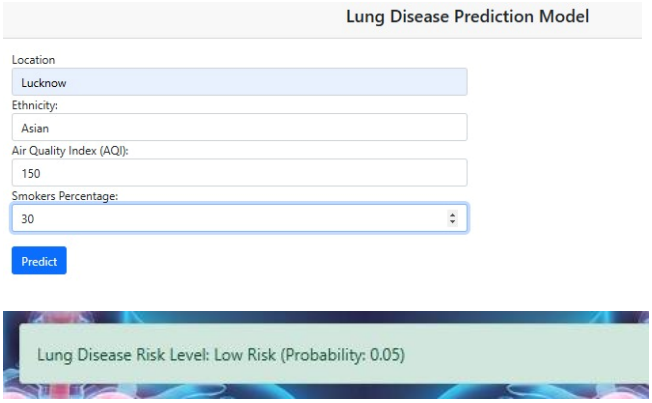
C. Web-Based UI

By utilizing HTML, CSS, JavaScript, and PHP, an easy-to-use web interface was developed. The most important features are:

User Authentication- Safely login and register.

Input Forms- Users input their location, ethnicity, AQI, and percentage of smokers.

Prediction Display- Display prediction in real-time.



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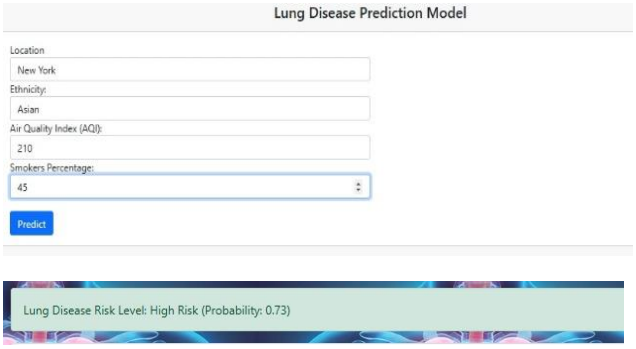

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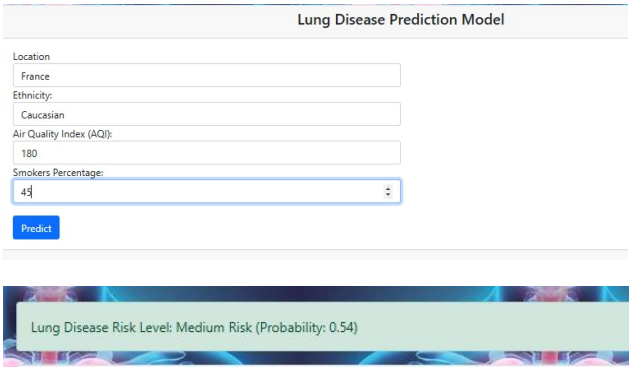

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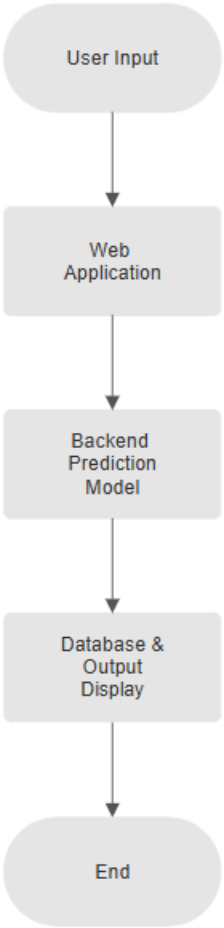
D. Flow Chart

The flow chart is illustrated below:



Data Collection Sources

For empirical studies, the following publicly accessible databases can be utilized to increase accuracy:

1. World Health Organization (WHO)- Global Air Quality Database, tobacco smoking data.

2. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)- Ethnicity-specific health statistics and respiratory disease data.

3. Global Burden of Disease Study- Offers mortality and morbidity data by ethnicities and environmental exposures.

These data sets can be merged to enrich the model, making it more practically applicable for public health research.

Model Options

Although Naive Bayes is good at categorical classification, other machine learning algorithms may be used for comparative evaluation:

1.Logistic Regression- Yields interpretable output and is a good choice for binary risk classification.

2.Random Forest- Supports both categorical and numerical input well and provides enhanced accuracy through ensemble learning.

3.Support Vector Machines (SVM)- Succeeds with small datasets and is applicable for binary as well as multi-class classification.

Using these models in combination with Naive Bayes can give a strong benchmark for lung disease risk prediction.

IV. RESULTS

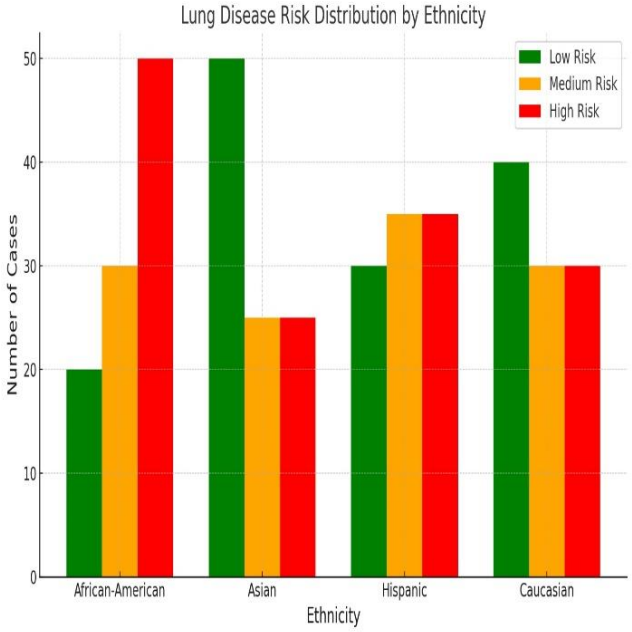
Naive Bayes accuracy on its own is 80%, which is an indication that it is actually possible to forecast the risk of lung disease utilizing synthesized data. The major results are:

• High AQI and percentages of smokers consistently predicted African Americans at high risk.

• Lower risk levels were observed in most situations among Asian populations.

A confusion matrix for model performance:

	Predicted Low	**Predicted Medium**	**Predicted High**
Actual Low	30	15	2
Actual Medium	4	28	6
Actual High	3	5	35



Ethnicity	AQI	Smoker %	Prediction
Asian	100	25	Low (0.01)
Hispanic	175	45	Medium (0.50)
African-American	200	60	High (0.95)

V. DISCUSSION

The results themselves validate the assumption that the environment and ethnicity are significant determinants of lung health. However, there are a few limitations: The information is synthesized, not gathered, and there are no significant markers such as genetic factors and individual health measures. Ethical implications involve fair predictions and fair applications in health care.

The analysis considers African-American populations to have the greatest risk of lung disease. These determinants involve:

•Urban exposure- Increased PM2.5 and PM10 levels in urban areas.

•Socioeconomic challenges- Poor access to healthcare facilities and services.

•Lifestyle habits- High smoking prevalence (25%) is a major contributor to respiratory risk.

Asian populations, on the contrary, have a lower risk level, which is mainly attributed to cleaner living conditions, lower smoking rates, and cultural influences that promote healthier lifestyles.

These observations underscore the need for combining public health measures with people-oriented awareness campaigns in order to address disparities in respiratory health.

Policy Recommendations:

1.Air Quality Monitoring- Installation of real-time AQI monitoring systems in high-risk urban zones.

2.Anti-Smoking Campaigns- Smoking cessation programs targeted at ethnic communities to slow down prevalence.

3.Healthcare Access- Healthcare infrastructure in the vulnerable population to improve disease prevention.

VI. FUTURE SCOPE

The study was improved by using clinical data such as SPO2 mirror, spirometry, and x-ray results to critically assess the risk of lung disease. Air Quality Index (AQI) and local smoker proportions were also implemented in the system to maintain better accuracy of environmental risk factors. Various machine learning models, such as Randallswald and Support Vector Machine (SVM), also investigated better prediction accuracy. The current research provides directions for future research in various directions.

Such use is a time series analysis involving smoking, temporal trends and dynamic risk estimation of AQI. GIS integration is another possible value-added for visualizing high-risk areas of interactive cards to facilitate targeted interventions by political decision makers. Finally, a multi-model comparison approach can be followed to investigate deep learning models such as neural networks and hybrid approaches to further enhance classification accuracy and predictive power.

VII. CONCLUSION

This study highlights the vast potential of machine learning models in addressing public health challenges, in this case, in forecasting and monitoring respiratory disease risk. The use of machine learning on healthcare systems provides a platform of risk identification and intervention targeting which are essential towards minimizing the risk of respiratory disease worldwide. For example, clinical health workers can use such models for the detection of high-risk communities, efficient allocation of resources, and the prescription of personalized prevention interventions. Policy makers, on the other hand, can use such data towards the implementation of evidence-based interventions, such as stricter air-quality regulations and anti-smoking measures among vulnerable populations.

Moreover, the system has been 80% correct, testifying to its value as a predictor of risk for lung disease. Irrespective of application of artificial data, the study illustrates the ability of machine learning to deal with many variables and deliver results that are useful. By combining demographic, environmental, and lifestyle variables, the model transcends the traditional single-variable analysis, offering a more complete risk assessment model.

In the near future, extension of this system can greatly improve its utility and reach. Geolocation-based automation of AQI and smoker population proportion's data pull would make the process less cumbersome and the system usability and scalability improve. Additionally, incorporation of this tool with hospital management software, public health dashboard, or mobile health app will further enhance its use, and convenient and accurate information on lung disease risk to patients and practitioners would be presented.

Since the machine learning algorithm improves, further optimization can then be performed with more complex

models such as Random Forest, Gradient Boosting, or Deep Learning algorithms. More complex models have the capability of handling more complicated and bigger data, therefore increasing the accuracy of the prediction and unlocking more deeper patterns of health disparities.

Through the identification and resolution of ethnic and environmental health inequities, the system promotes global health equity and sustainable development goals. Finally, this tool would be a useful addition to the prevention of the development of lung disease, enhancing the health of the population, and making the world a healthier place for the world's population.

VIII. APPENDICES

- Example input 1- Location: New York, Ethnicity: Hispanic, AQI: 95, Smoker %: 18
- Output- “Predicted Risk Level: Medium”

- Example input 2- Location: New Jersey, Ethnicity: Hispanic, AQI: 125, Smoker %: 65
- Output- “Predicted Risk Level: High”
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- Example input 3- Location: Ghaziabad, Ethnicity: African, AQI: 200, Smoker %: 70
- Output- “Predicted Risk Level: High”

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