Title: Mental Health Prediction using NLP – Weekly Progress Report

Problem Statement: The aim of this project is to build an NLP-based model that can process and analyse text data relevant to mental health. By detecting emotional cues, sentiment, and specific mental health markers, the model seeks to identify early signs of potential mental health risks, facilitating proactive support.

Weeks 1-2: Research and Data Preparation:

1. Literature Review

- ✓ Conducted a thorough review of existing NLP techniques applied to mental health and emotional analysis.
- ✓ Explored unique challenges in this field, such as interpreting emotionladen language, sentiment nuances, and context-driven meaning.
- ✓ Selected the RoBERTa model for initial experiments because of its success in emotion and sentiment classification tasks across a variety of conversational data.

2. Data Collection and Organization

- ✓ Collected a variety of data sources, including mental health forums, social media posts, and open-access mental health research datasets.
- ✓ Sample size started at 5,000 text entries, later increased to approximately 15,000 to ensure a well-rounded dataset for training.

3. Data Preprocessing

- ✓ Applied multiple preprocessing steps, including anonymizing user details, handling informal language, converting text to lowercase, and lemmatizing.
- ✓ Utilized the RoBERTa tokenizer to handle conversational language nuances and maintain key phrases in context.

Weeks 3-4: Model Development - Sentiment and Risk Detection

- Sentiment Analysis Model
- Designed to distinguish between positive, neutral, and negative sentiments, with additional identification of specific emotions (e.g., anxiety, sadness).
- ➤ Initial tests were performed using RoBERTa with Hugging Face's NLP pipeline, focusing on how well the model captured sentiment in brief and informal language samples.

from transformers import pipeline

```
# Initialize RoBERTa model for sentiment analysis
sentiment_pipeline = pipeline("sentiment-analysis",
model="roberta-base")
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# Run a sample text for testing
sample_text = "I'm feeling stressed and can't focus."
results = sentiment_pipeline(sample_text)
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# Display result
for result in results:
    print(f"Label: {result['label']}, Confidence: {result['score']}")
```

➤ Results: Model showed around 85% accuracy in recognizing sentiment; however, improvements are needed for complex phrases that express mixed feelings.

2. Risk Classification Model

- Created a risk classification model to predict the potential level of mental health concern (low, moderate, high) based on input text.
- ➤ Configured RoBERTa for sequence classification, with training data annotated for varying levels of mental health risk.

```
from transformers import Trainer, TrainingArguments,
AutoModelForSequenceClassification
from datasets import Dataset
# Load labeled data for risk assessment
data = [
  {"text": "Feeling completely hopeless and isolated.", "label": 2}, # High risk
 {"text": "Just feeling tired but okay.", "label": 0}, # Low risk
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dataset = Dataset.from dict(data)
# Configure model for sequence classification
model = AutoModelForSequenceClassification.from pretrained("roberta-base",
num labels=3)
# Set up training parameters
training_args = TrainingArguments(output_dir="./results",
num train epochs=3, per device train batch size=4)
trainer = Trainer(model=model, args=training args, train dataset=dataset)
```

3. Challenges and Upcoming Work

- Model faced challenges with interpreting text that combines multiple emotions or ambiguous expressions.
- Future plans include augmenting the dataset with more examples of nuanced emotional language and further tuning to enhance model accuracy.

Annotated Data:

Data was organized and saved in JSON format, with each text sample annotated for sentiment, primary emotions, and risk level. This format supports efficient access for model training and later analysis.