# **Project Problem Framing and Def**

### **General Concepts**

- The heart attack refers to the death of heart muscle cells due to prolonged oxygen deprivation caused by the blockage.
- heart attack occurs when the blood flow to a part of the heart muscle is blocked, generally by a blood clot.
- Without oxygen, heart cells begin to die within minutes, causing permanent damage.

#### 1. Empathize with users:

Ones of the common problems that the people face when dealing with the heart attack:

- **Delayed Recognition of Symptoms**: Many people mistake heart attack symptoms (e.g., chest pain, shortness of breath, nausea) for less serious issues like indigestion, delaying emergency care.
- Silent Heart Attacks: Some experience "silent" heart attacks with minimal or no symptoms, often overlooked until later damage is detected.

# 2. Problem Definition and Framing

**Objective**: Address the delayed detection of heart attacks

# • The 5 whys:

- 1. Why does the disease (heart attack) happen?
  - → A blood clot blocks blood flow to the heart muscle.
- 2. Why does a blood clot happen?
  - → Plaque (fatty deposits) in the artery ruptures, triggering clot formation.
- 3. Why do individuals get this disease?
  - → high cholesterol, hypertension, smoking, or diabetes.
- 4. Why do people struggle to detect the disease earlier?
  - ightarrow insufficient tools for early risk detection.

- 5. Why not build an Al model that predicts the status of the heart?
  - → needs technical expertise.

The root cause: missing of tools that detects the disease earlier.

#### The 5W:

- Who:
  - Individuals at risk of heart disease (e.g., those with hypertension, diabetes, obesity, or family history).
    - Older adults (45+ for men, 55+ for women).
- What:
  - Delayed detection of the heart attack.
- When:
  - 24/7
- Where:
  - Usage context: daily life (home, work, exercise ...)
- Why:
  - Late detection of heart attacks can lead to damages in the heart muscle, which can be a reason of dying.
- Problem Statement: "At-risk adults are currently lacking a reliable way to detect
  the onset of a heart attack during their normal daily routines, 24/7, which leads
  to delayed treatment and often results in severe cardiac damage or fatality.