

Big Data in Healthcare Applications

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Abstract—Nowadays “Bigdata” is quite common term to store and retrieve the collection of gigantic datasets. In a school/college, every year we interact with all the students and doing complete medical check-up individually. After that there we implement student digital health report (SDHR) which is highly capable of storing capacious data in database and this includes student’s previous medical data details, laboratory test report, present treatment details given to student’s, doctor’s prescription/advice, diet details, diagnostic record’s, pharmacy/medical shop information, health insurance related data, medical journals are used to properly investigate and analysis. Objective of this paper is, to discuss the importance and characteristics big data with its key challenges of Healthcare domain.

Keywords—Big Data Analysis (BDA), Student Digital Health Report (SDHR), Data Node (D-node), Name Node (N-node) Hadoop, MapReduce.

I. INTRODUCTION

‘Thinking big’ means being open-minded, positive, creative and seeing opportunity in the big picture. The digital revolution is re-shaping the way the people live, work and interact. As a digital provider and an acknowledged sustainability leader, people have an opportunity to contribute to the future by through our ability to help with change. People convinced of technology’s ability to support the future by offering new solutions and play a part in tackling issues for society, improving social mobility, keeping people safe online, protecting the environment and combating climate change. Each and every day, people are produce more than 2.5 quintillion bytes of data, so much that 90% of the data in the world today has been produced in the last two years only. This data comes from all over the place, some devices used to gather environment/atmosphere information, posts to social media sites, health report, digital pictures and videos, purchase transaction records, and mobile phone GPS signals to name a few. The rising cost of healthcare is one of the world’s most important problem. These databases are designed for maintaining individual clinical data/report.

A. Characteristics of Big Data

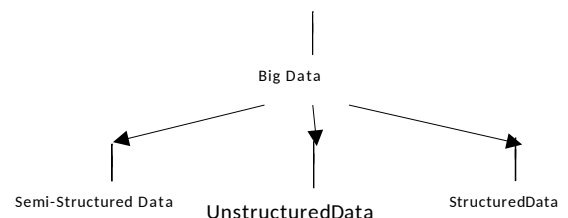
Table I- Different types of V’s in Big Data

Value	Clinically relevant data and Longitudinal Studies
Volume	High-throughput technologies Continuous monitoring of vital signs

Velocity	High-speed processing for fast clinical decision support Increasing data generation rate by the health infrastructure
Variety	Heterogeneous and unstructured data sources Differences in frequencies and taxonomies
Veracity	Data quality is unreliable Data coming from uncontrolled environments
Variability	Seasonal health effects and disease evolution Non-deterministic models of illness and health
Visualization	Graphical representation of complex data.

B. Different format of Big Data and its Sources:

Big Data and its sources can be categorized into following categories as shown figure 1.



II. BIG DATA LIFECYCLE

A. Data Collection

It involves the collection of data from various sources and storing it in HDFS. Data can be anything such as case history, medical images, social logs, sensor data etc.

B. Data Cleaning

It involves the process of verifying whether there is any junk data or any data that has missed values. Such data needs to be removed.

C. Data Classification

It involves the filtering of data based on their structure. For example Medical Big data consists of mostly unstructured data such as handwritten physician notes. Structured, semi-structured and unstructured data should be classified in

order to perform meaningful analysis.

D. Data Modelling

-It involves performing an analysis on the classified data. For example Government may require the list of malnourished children in a particular location. First it has to classify the data based on the specific location, need to trigger the health report of children, need to identify the children whose family are under poverty line and these data should be processed.

E. Data Delivery

-It involves the generation of report based on the data modelling done. Based on the example after the data is processed it will generate a report based on malnourished children in a particular location. This will help the government to take necessary measures to avoid any further complications. At the all the stages of BDLC (Big Data Lifecycle) it requires data storage, data integrity and data access control.

The types of data anticipated to be of use in BDA include

Previous Medical data details - upto 80 per cent of health data is unstructured as documents, images, clinical or prescribed notes.

Laboratory test report - Scanning report, blood test, sugar statement, salt report, urine test to be collected and maintain the laboratory based health information.

Present treatment detail.

Doctor's prescription/advice and Diet details - Text-based practice guidelines and health product (e.g., drug information) data.

Diagnostic record.

Pharmacy/medical shop information.

Health insurance related data.

Medical journals - Clinical research and medical reference material.

Genomic data - Represents significant amount of new gene sequencing data.

Streamed data - Home monitoring, Tele-health, handheld and sensor-based wireless or smart devices are new data sources and types.

Web and social networking data - Consumer use of internet data from search engines and social networking sites.

Business, organizational and external data - Administrative data such as billing, Scheduling and other non-health data.

III. BIG DATA IN HEALTHCARE

A. Business Goals and Objective Addressed by Analytics
Improve clinical effectiveness and member/patient

Satisfaction -

Improve clinical quality of care

Improve patient safety and reduce medical errors

Improve wellness, prevention and disease

Management

Understand physician profiles and clinical performance

Improve customer satisfaction, acquisition and retention

Improve operational effectiveness -

Reduce costs and increase efficiency

Optimize catchment area and network management

Improve pay for performance and accountability

Increase operating speed and adaptability

Improve financial and administrative performance -

Increase revenue and ROI

Improve utilization

Optimize supply chain and human capital management

Improve risk management and regulatory compliance

Reduce fraud and abuse

IV. Impact of Big Data in Healthcare

A. Big data can change healthcare

After 20 years of steady increases, health-care expenses now represent 17.6 percent of GDP nearly \$600 billion more than the expected benchmark for a nation of the United States' size and wealth. The report outlines five ways data will enable the healthcare industry to cut costs and improve quality.

Right living - Data can help patients to take an active role in their own health such as diet, exercise, and medication adherence to take control of their health.

Right care - Data can improve outcomes, reducing medical errors. Application of big data tools will facilitate evidence-based care that is personalized to the specific patient.

Right provider - Proven outcomes for patients to receive the best medical care based on data that helps us better match the provider's skill set with the needs of the patient and allow assessment of specific providers.

Right value - Cost-effective healthcare through different methods, such as patient-outcome reimbursement and eliminating fraud, waste, and abuse in the system utilizing big data.

Right innovation - Innovators will be able to address all aspects of therapeutic innovation discovery, development, and

safety utilizing data from past trials as well as analyzing trends from current data. Healthcare providers can analyze patient history data, real-time data from monitors, clinical factors, lifestyle choices and social determinants to provide a holistic view of the patient and develop the most effective care plans. IBM has helped healthcare providers:

Identify crises before they happen and treat patients proactively by analyzing data in real time as it streams from monitoring equipment.

Predict patient health risks using predictive analytics to understand underlying clinical or social factors, and design more effective care plans. Improve healthcare outcomes by providing timely and meaningful insights to care providers, who can then administer the most effective treatments.

V. HDFS ARCHITECTURE

Hadoop effectively handles the large dataset. The below figure represents how a client contacts namenode for processing the data. Namenode communicates to Job Tracker and assigns the task given by the client fore to find out the list of patients who are in the risk of getting diabetes. MapReduce program performs the analysis on the data and returns the result to job tracker. It also returns the block where the client can store its data. Hive QL is used to perform the data-warehousing task and it can also be combined with map-reduce program. PIG provides the platform for analyzing large data sets through parallel computations.

The daemons in hdfs are following such as,

Namenode-

It is the master node which receives the request from the client (example patient monitoring system). It looks up the Metadata to find out which is the suitable datanode for storing the data related to the client. It selects datanode based on the locality and available free slots.

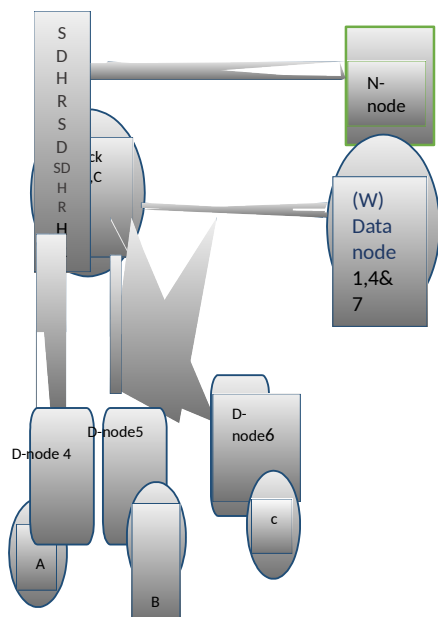


FIG.4.HDFS File System Architecture

Secondary Namenode

-It is the backup node for the namenode. It stores the fsimage file which contains the details about the datanode. Fsimage has to be restored from these secondary namenode when namenode fails.

JobTracker

-MapReduce program running in job tracker assigns job to the datanode and task tracker. Datanode stores the actual data and periodically sends heartbeat to the namenode about the data stored. Task tracker performs the task assigned by job tracker.

VI. PLATFORMS & TOOLS FOR BIG DATA ANALYTICS IN HEALTHCARE

A. Platform/Tool Description

The Hadoop Distributed File System (HDFS)- HDFS enables the underlying storage for the Hadoop cluster. It divides the data into smaller parts and distributes it across the various servers/nodes.

MapReduce- MapReduce provides the interface for the distribution of sub-tasks and the gathering of outputs. When tasks are executed, MapReduce tracks the processing of each server/node.

PIG and PIG Latin (Pig and Pig Latin) : Pig programming language is configured to assimilate all types of data (structured/unstructured, etc.). It is comprised of two key modules: the language itself, called Pig Latin, and the runtime version in which the Pig Latin code is executed.

Hive

-Hive is a runtime Hadoop support architecture that leverages Structure Query Language (SQL) with the Hadoop platform. It permits SQL programmers to develop Hive Query Language (HQL) statements as into typical SQL statements.

Jaql

Jaql is a functional, declarative query language designed to process large datasets. To facilitate parallel processing, Jaql converts "high-level" queries into "low-level" queries consisting of MapReduce tasks.

Zookeeper

Zookeeper allows a centralized infrastructure with various services, providing synchronization across a cluster of servers. Big data analytics applications utilize these services to coordinate parallel processing across big clusters.

HBase-HBase is a column-oriented database

management system that sits on top of HDFS. It uses a non-SQL approach.

Cassandra - Cassandra is also a distributed database system. It is designated as a top-level project modeled to handle big data distributed across many utility servers. It also provides reliable service with no particular point of failure (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Apache_Cassandra) and it is a NoSQL system.

Oozie - Oozie, an open source project, streamlines the workflow and coordination among the tasks.

Lucene - The Lucene project is used widely for text analytics/searches and has been incorporated into several open source projects. Its scope includes full text indexing and library search for use within a Java application.

Avro - Avro facilitates data serialization services. Versioning and version control are additional useful features.

Mahout - Mahout is yet another Apache project whose goal is to generate free applications of distributed and scalable machine learning algorithms that support big data analytics on the Hadoop platform.

VII. CHALLENGES IN HEALTHCARE APPLICATION IN BIG DATA

Leveraging the patient/data correlations in longitudinal records. Understanding unstructured clinical notes in the right context. Efficiently handling large volumes of medical imaging data and extracting potentially useful information and biomarkers. Analyzing genomic data is a computationally intensive task and combining with standard clinical data adds additional layers of complexity. Capturing the patient's behavioral data through several sensors; their various social interactions and communications.

A. Processing Challenges

*Data Collection,
Resolving similarities,
Modification of data,
Data Analysis,
output representation*

B. Management Challenges

*Data Privacy,
Data Security,
Governance and ethical issues*

VII. FUTURE DEMANDS OF ANALYTICS

- *Focus on the biggest and highest value opportunities*
- *Within each opportunity, start with questions not data*
- *Embed insights to drive actions and deliver value*
- *Keep existing capabilities while adding new ones*
- *Use an information agenda to plan*

VIII. CONCLUSION

Lack of student's medical records is the significant challenge that government, doctors and researchers undergo from, which almost motivates healthcare domain to build student's help stakeholders in their business. Student's digital health reports systems could help to improve the communication between government, doctors and student's on the other hand to improve the quality of care which may lead to reduce medical errors and costs. In order to get better reviews of student's interest with share, save, manage, and retrieve their medical data, such as their medical history, medications, allergies, x-rays and test results. Accordingly building these student digital health reports is a big repositories give them an opportunity to interact with doctors, physicians and pharmacists, but IT experts should take in mind student's privacy and policies risk. In this proposed research work, the objective is to develop the system for student's digital health report, which the result should be depends on data we input if the data is correct then it should give consistent result. Through the final result we can able to predict or identify the complete health problem and cure quick manner without difficulties. Student's digital health report research work will help us to create a healthy body and healthy mind among the students.

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