The System for Early Detection of Heart-Attack

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ABSTRACT

In the recent years, heart attack has become an alarming disease. Heart diseases have become one of the leading causes of death. In India, the number of deaths caused by heart attacks is about 25% of the total death. This happens due to the delay in detecting the symptoms or lack of early diagnosis. This can be avoided by integrating mobile computing technologies with health care systems, which will lead to detect abnormal heart rates and predict heart attacks before it occurs. Heart disease is a major cause of morbidity in the modern society. The earlier system detect the risk of heart attack using only limited parameter which are ECG, pulserate. Hence it cannot guarantee the risk for other symptoms like left shoulder pain, chest pain and etc. So the proposed system did consider all the parameter which can be a symptom of heart attack and hence provide a accurate risk detection system. The proposed system describes a heart attack self-test mobile application that allows potential victims, without the intervention of any medical specialist, to quickly assess whether they are having a heart attack.

General Terms

Naïve Bayes Classifier, Framingham Risk Score

Keywords

Pulse rate sensor, ECG, smartphone, Blood pressure sensor, Real-time monitoring.

1. INTRODUCTION

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The heart muscle requires a constant oxygen-rich blood supply to nourish it. The coronary arteries provide the heart with oxygen-rich blood supply. Fatty matter, cholesterol, calcium, proteins, and inflammatory cells build up inside the arteries to form plaques of different sizes. The plaque deposits on the outside and soft and mushy on the inside.

When the plaque is rigid, the outer shell cracks (plaque rupture), platelets (disc-shaped molecules in the blood that aid clotting) come to the area and blood clots form all over the plaque. If a blood clot completely blocks the artery then the heart muscle becomes "starved" for oxygen. Within a short time, death of heart muscle cells occurs which causes permanent damage. This is a heart attack.

A feeling of nausea, tightness, pain, squeezing, or aching in the chest or arms which spreads to the neck, jaw, or back can be a sign that a person is having a heart attack.

The possible signs and symptoms of a heart attack are as follows:

- coughing
- nausea
- vomiting
- crushing chest pain
- dizziness
- shortness of breath called dyspnea
- face seeming gray in colour
- a feeling of terror that life is ending
- feeling awful, generally
- restlessness
- feeling clammy and sweaty
- shortness of breath

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2. RELATED WORK

There are existing technologies which include the heart attack detection system using android and a self-test to detect a heart attack using phone and sensors. But they mainly focus on personal ECG monitoring. [1] The research describes the how

to develop a wireless sensor network that can continuously monitor and detect heart attack disease experienced in patients at remote areas. A wearable wireless sensor system is designed to gather and transmit the signals to the patient's device continuously. [2]In this paper, Gowrishankar S., PhD Prachita M. Y. Arvind Prakash had proposed a remote sensing parameter of the human body which consists of pulse and temperature. The parameters that are used for sensing as well as for monitoring will send the data through wireless sensors by a app based observing helps to keep track of the regular health status of a patient. The sensed data will be continuously gathered in a database and will be used to inform patient to any unnoticed problems to undergo possible diagnosis. A simple approach is proposed in [3] this paper is to predict risk of developing heart attack using smart phone and data mining. A user friendly Android application was developed with the help of clinical data which is obtained from patients who admitted with chest pain in a cardiac health care. Upon user input of risk factors, the application categorizes the level of risk of heart attack of the user as high, low or medium. Hence the risk of heart attack is predicted and categorized into three categories as high, low and medium. The research paper [4] describes the use of a device which can perform the dual function to detect a heart attack without the intervention of any specialist for victim and also report the emergency services. The device through sensors continuously monitor the patient's heart beat and notify the emergency contacts if any kind of risk is found.

3. PROPOSED SYSTEM

For heart monitoring systems, the method usually consists of a sensor which is carried by the patient that is connected to a backbone network via a gateway node. The patient and doctors both can monitor and diagnose heart rate information by a graphical user interface (GUI). In the case of an emergency situation, an alert message is sent to a laptop or a personal computer in the closest hospital or to the emergency contact filled by the user.

The proposed application consists of two main components: i) the sensor and ii) questionnaire.

1. Sensors:

To detect the heart rate the commercially available sensor is, the Pulse Sensor AMPED. It is a simple optical heart rate sensor with amplification and noise cancellation circuitry making it fast and easy. It is very specific sensor because of its reliability, high usability and good performance. Also, it is of a small size and a modest price. An important issue to consider while implementing sensors is power consumption.

The Blood Pressure Sensor (Vernier) is a non-invasive sensor designed to measure human blood pressure. It measures systolic, diastolic and mean arterial pressure using the oscillometric technique. Pulse rate is also reported. The electrocardiogram (ECG) is a tool that is routinely used for assessing the electrical and muscular functions of the heart. The AD8232 sensor module is an integrated signal conditioning block for ECG and other biopotential measurement applications. It is mainly designed to extract, amplify, and filter small biopotential signals in the presence of noisy conditions those created by motion or remote electrode placement.

2. Questionnaire: The questionnaire consists of set of questions which we the symptoms of heart attack. The most commonly reported prodromal symptoms

in male and female heart patients are:

- unusual fatigue: 100%
- anxiety: 100%
- arm pain/discomfort: 86%
- shortness of breath: 86%
- nausea, vomiting, indigestion: 71%
- chest pain/discomfort: 57%
- jaw pain: 43%
- back/shoulder blade pain: 43%
- dizziness: 43%
- headache: 43%
- sleep disturbance: 29%

According to the prodromal symptoms mentioned above, the questionnaire is consist of the questions based on these symptoms only. For example, do you feel severe jaw pain?

The risk for these two components is calculated based on this two algorithms:

1. NAÏVE BAYES CLASSIFIER:

Naive Bayes is a simple technique for constructing classifiers models which assign class labels to problem instances which can be represented as vectors of feature values, where the class labels are drawn from some finite set. Naive Bayes is one of the data mining technique which shows better result and accuracy. None of the system predicts risk of heart attack based on risk factors such as age, diabetes, family history, hypertension, high cholesterol, tobacco smoking, alcohol intake, obesity or physical inactivity, etc. System based on these risk factors would not only help to reduce the death rate of Heart attack patient in the rural areas but it would also give patients a notification(warning) and suggestion about the probable presence of heart attack even before patient visits a hospital or goes for costly medical checkups.

Naive Bayes is a conditional probability model in which given a problem instance to be classified and represented by a

Input

Output

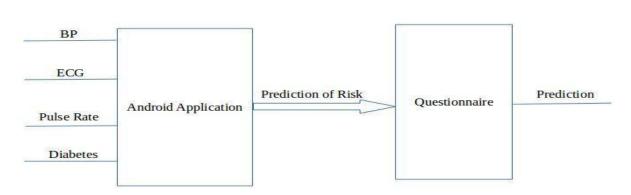


Fig 1: System Architecture

vector $x = \{x1, x2, x3, ..., xn\}$ representing some *n* features (independent variables), it assigns to this instance probabilities p(Ck|x1, x2, ..., xn)

USING BAYES CLASSIFIER THE CONDITIONAL PROBABILITY CAN BE DECOMPOSED AS

P(CK|X) = P(CK).P(X|CK)/P(X)

2. FRAMINGHAM RISK SCORE:

The Framingham Risk Score is one of the number scoring systems which is used to determine an individual's chances of developing heart attack. Heart attack risk scoring systems give an estimate of the probability that a person will develop heart attack within a specified amount of time. Because they give an indication of the risk of developing heart attack, they also indicate who is most likely to benefit from prevention.

Hence the system can be explained as

1. ECG, Pulse rate sensor will detect real time data of patients continuously. In this risk can be categorized as low, medium, high.

2. If risk is high it will immediately notify patients and doctors also.

3. If risk is low or medium system will ask questions to patients about minor symptoms like jaw pain, arm pain, headache etc.

4. By using this questions system will again recalculate risk of heart attack.

5. At the end, System will show actual risk of heart attack. Again if risk is high it will immediately notify patients and doctors also.

The diagrammatic representation is fig

4. CONCLUSION

In India the number of deaths caused by heart attacks is about 25% of the total death. This occurs due to the delay in detecting the symptoms or lack of early diagnosis of heart related problems. This can be avoided by integrating mobile computing technologies with health care systems. Thus we are designing and developing real-time processing heart rate counting system which is able to notice any heart anomalies and heart attack by tracking heart rate of a user at early stage.

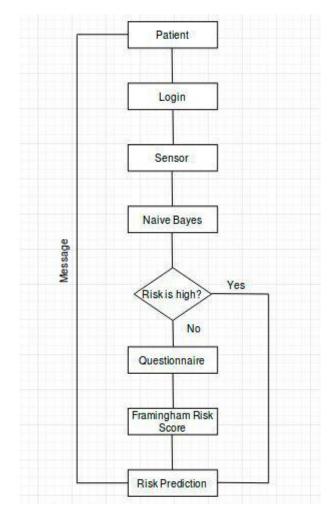


Fig 2 : Data Flow Diagram

5. FUTURE WORK

The system is a real time monitoring system which will monitor the pulse-rate, ECG, BP of patient continuously. Also proposed system consider all the parameters like left shoulder pain ,chest pain and etc. which can be a symptom of heart attack and hence provide a accurate risk detection system. For more accuracy and faster risk prediction, system can capture photo or short video of user facing on camera. Due to this, system captures the picture of user and immediately alert will be given.

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