

A Novel Analysis of Intelligent Systems for Dynamic Bed Allocation using ML Algorithms

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Abstract— The effective management of patient influx in the outpatient department (OPD) is crucial for enhancing healthcare services and optimizing resource allocation. Notably, the need for an integrated system that harmoniously combines cue models with dynamic bedding strategies becomes apparent, particularly during periods of high demand and limited resources. Conversely, this paradigm highlights the necessity for an innovative approach that considers both the unpredictability of patient flow and the constraints imposed by available resources. This study employs a hybrid model that synergetically integrates Reinforcement Learning (RL) and Real-Time data processing to capture and predict complex patterns in patient influx. Furthermore, the proposed framework utilizes genetic algorithms (GAs) to optimize resource allocation and wait management, thereby ensuring an equitable distribution of resources and minimizing latency. Intriguingly, this model leverages attention mechanisms to combine patient data with hospital capabilities in real-time, enabling the system to conduct a thorough assessment and optimize bed allocation accordingly. Conversely, this model fosters enhanced patient flow by accurately predicting resource requirements and adapting to changing demands in a dynamic manner. Subsequently, it yields improved patient waiting times and resource utilization, leading to augmented healthcare performance and patient experience. Overall, this paradigmatic shift demonstrates the potential of integrating RL with advanced machine learning methodologies, cue models, and predictive analysis to revolutionize hospital efficiency and patient outcomes.

I. INTRODUCTION

In today's fast-paced world, outpatient departments (OPDs) face challenges like overcrowding, inefficient resource utilization, and long patient wait times. The rising urban population and increasing cases of chronic and emergency conditions put immense pressure on hospitals to optimize operations. Traditional queuing models, relying on first-come, first-served or static token systems, fail to prioritize patients based on urgency, physician availability, or resource constraints. Similarly, manual or outdated bed allocation methods lead to imbalances, with some departments overburdened while others remain underutilized. To address these inefficiencies, hospitals must adopt intelligent, data-driven systems for dynamic resource allocation. This paper proposes an optimized solution integrating real-time analytics, artificial intelligence, and citywide hospital networking to enhance efficiency and patient experience. The approach focuses on: Optimised Queuing Models: Leveraging predictive analytics and machine learning to prioritise patients based on urgency, schedules, and hospital load.

Dynamic Bed Allocation: Implementing an intelligent system that continuously monitors and reallocates beds to meet fluctuating demand. Citywide Integration: Establishing a connected healthcare ecosystem for real-time data sharing, enabling seamless patient transfers, and improving emergency management. This system ensures better hospital performance while enhancing overall patient care and satisfaction.

II. MOTIVATION

medical scans, Overcrowded OPDs lead to long wait times, inefficient resource use, and patient dissatisfaction. Static bed allocation and outdated queuing models cause delays and unbalanced workloads for healthcare staff. Urgent cases often face critical delays due to poor triaging. A datadriven system can optimize patient flow, reduce wait times, and improve hospital efficiency. Real-time analytics enable better bed allocation, while citywide integration enhances patient referrals and emergency care. Automation reduces administrative burdens, allowing staff to focus on quality treatment. This project aims to transform hospital management with scalable, technology

III. REVIEW OF LITERATURE

Efficient patient flow management in outpatient departments (OPDs) is a crucial element of hospital operations, with repercussions for patient satisfaction, hospital efficiency, and overall healthcare accessibility. Given the increasing strain on healthcare systems due to swelling patient numbers, advanced queuing models, dynamic bed allocation techniques, and intelligent admission systems are required to optimize hospital resources effectively. We observe that several studies have applied the principle of queuing theory, machine learning models, and discrete-event simulations to streamline hospital workflow and ensure the real-time availability of hospital beds. Wargon et al. (2014) proposed discrete event simulations and queuing models to optimise hospital management and reduce patient transfers from emergency rooms (EDs). Their research showed that limiting the length of stay (LOS) and better management of elective versus emergency admissions can significantly reduce ED emergency admissions can significantly reduce ED overcrowding and improve hospital efficiency. This study highlights the importance of predictive strategies for hospital management to ensure seamless patient flow. Queuing models have been widely examined to improve hospital record systems. Patients were managed effectively using traditional queuing techniques such as multi-server queues and priority-based queuing. These models consolidate elective admissions while ensuring that emergency cases are prioritised. Several studies demonstrate that when integrated into hospital management systems, real-time allocation models dynamically adjust to patient influx, reduce wait times, and optimise bed utilisation. Warner et al. (2024) introduced multimodal data integration for hospital resource management with clinical text analysis of NLP control used to predict patient status. Their research showed that integration of data from various hospital sectors could improve prediction and intelligent bed allocation, preventing OPD bottlenecks. They demonstrated that deep learning can effectively model real-time patient flow, allowing hospitals to predict bed availability and dynamically optimise approvals.

Municipal hospital integration has also been a growing field of research where hospital networks are generated and connected with real-time patient-approved data to distribute patient loads more efficiently. Research shows that urban integrated modules can prevent overcrowding in hospitals by redirecting patients to nearby available facilities. Cui et al. (2023) showed how predictive analyses using decision trees and approval trends for random forest patients in several hospitals can predict the predictability supported by better strategies for urban hospital coordination and resource distribution strategies.

In addition, Hayat et al. (2022) examined time series models such as LSTM and transfer learning for hospital workflow management. This model highlighted the use of historical trends in patient approval to allocate resources in real-time. Their results strengthen the importance of aggressive hospital bed management, allowing hospitals to predict peak times and adapt resources accordingly. Overall, this literature strongly supports the integration of intelligent standby models, dynamic bed allocation systems, and city hospital coordination to improve OPD efficiency.

Using machine learning, predictive analytics, and real-world data exchange, hospitals can create scalable adaptive solutions that ensure better accessibility of healthcare, reduced wait times, and optimised patient care. This study highlights the potential for hospital management of technical operations, an intelligent, interrelated health ecosystem that benefits both patients and health service providers. Studies by Singh et al. (2019) used deep neural networks (DNNS) and regression models to predict the risk of ICU mortality and optimise hospital resource allocation. Their results highlight the potential of AI-based models in reducing patient mortality and

improving hospital response times. Furthermore, Shao et al. (2024) implemented transformer-based attention mechanisms to improve hospital forecasts and demonstrate that deep learning hospital workflows can be dynamically adjusted for better patient care.

Existing literature highlights the integration of predictive analytics, machine learning, and AI-controlled hospital management systems to improve waiting models, patient intake efficiency, and dynamic bed allocation. By using urban hospital networks and actual data exchange, hospitals can improve resource use, reduce patient waiting times, and optimise healthcare accessibility.

These studies highlight the need for scalable, technology-driven solutions for innovative hospital operations, ensuring efficient, patient-orientated health systems.

IV. ALGORITHMS

A. Support Vector Machine (SVM)

support vector machines or svms are strong tools used in machine learning that can be very helpful in classifying patients early on they are really good at finding patterns in medical information which helps doctors decide if a patient needs to be in the hospital right away or can be treated at home by looking at things like symptoms test outcomes and past medical records svms can assist healthcare workers in making quicker and more reliable decisions about patient care this helps hospitals focus on the most urgent cases first and use their resources more effectively before a situation gets too serious

B. K-Means Clustering

k-means clustering is a type of learning that doesnt use labels it helps group patients together based on factors like their symptoms how serious their illness is and what kind of care they need by making these groups hospitals can manage patients more effectively and send them to the right areas such as intensive care units regular wards or special isolation areas this method is especially useful during a disease outbreak because it allows hospitals to quickly separate patients who have the infection from those who dont this helps prevent the spread of the disease and keeps everyone safe

C. Artificial Neural Networks (ANN)

artificial neural networks are very good at predicting how healthcare demand might go up they can see complicated patterns in how patients come to the hospital these networks help guess how many people might need hospital beds during big events like a pandemic when there are many illnesses during certain times of the year or after holidays by using past hospital records and public health information to train these networks hospital managers can better understand what they might need in the future this helps them prepare for more patients and make sure there are enough staff available it makes the healthcare system stronger so it can take care of more people without making the quality of care worse

D. Particle Swarm Optimization (PSO)

Particle Swarm Optimization (PSO) in healthcare is like unleashing a pack of wild wolves to sort out a hospital's limited resources. It mimics nature's swarm smarts to nail the best setup for patient beds, staff shifts, and equipment. For dynamic bed allocation, PSO juggles a shit-ton of scenarios at once—patient urgency, bed types, and department chaos—to find a setup that doesn't screw anyone over. It's a beast at crunching complex problems fast, spitting out near-perfect solutions for balancing bed shortages with critical cases and overworked staff.

E. Apriori Algorithm

The Apriori algorithm is like a nosy detective going through hospital data to find patterns that often show up together, such as diagnoses that always come with certain treatments or procedures that use specific monitoring. Apriori sniffs these connections out.

F. Dynamic Programming

dynamic programming is a math technique that helps break down complicated resource issues into smaller related parts hospitals can use this method to figure out the best way to manage beds over different times making sure they meet current needs and are ready for future demands this approach is especially useful when planning for patients who stay for multiple days because decisions made early can have a big impact later the way its structured ensures patients get the care they need without running out of beds or having too many empty ones.

G. Hierarchical Clustering

hierarchical clustering is a way of grouping patients into small teams based on how similar their medical needs are this helps make hospital care more efficient by creating a sort of family tree that shows different groups of patients this makes it easier to see who needs similar care or should be separated when it comes to assigning beds its really helpful for example if the system shows that patients with certain long-term conditions do better when theyre near specialized staff or equipment like ventilators this information helps organize hospital wards smartly it ensures beds and resources are placed where theyre most useful without wasting space or time

H. Bayesian Networks

bayesian networks are like a crystal ball connected to a flowchart that shows how things like symptoms lab results and patient history are linked to predict which patients might end up in the icu they are made up of a network of variables that influence each other using probabilities to make smart decisions these models are good at helping hospitals plan beds and manage uncertainty effectively making them useful for keeping the hospitals bed management organized during busy or hectic periods

I. Long-term Short-Term Memory (LSTM)

lstm is used to predict patient instructions by looking at past trends it helps guess how long a patient will need to stay in the hospital which lets hospitals adjust their staff and resources this is done by studying old data on how beds are used and how that changes with the seasons as well as patterns that show up during disease outbreaks

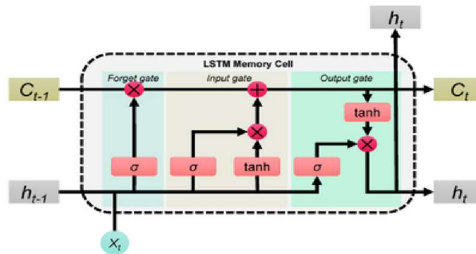


Fig 1

J. Multi-server hinge model.

The Multi-Server Maintenance (MMC) model offers an effective way to organize outpatient care when multiple healthcare providers are involved. Under this system, patients are distributed among various doctors and nurses, which helps cut down waiting times and streamlines the movement of patients through the facility. It also supports dynamic pricing, allowing service charges to be adjusted according to the number of patients being treated.

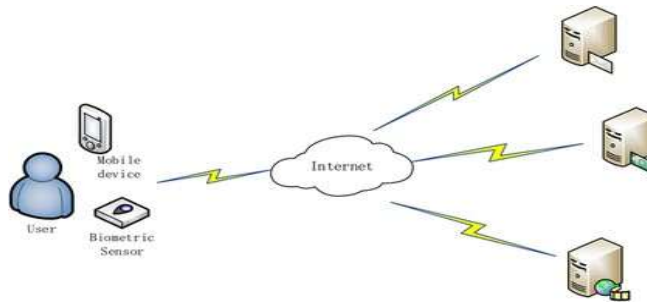


Fig 2

K. Markov Decision-Making Process (MDP)

mdp is a dynamic decision-making algorithm that optimises hospital allocation hospital beds were modelled as state transitions in which patient approval discharge and transfer affect the following conditions by optimising the reward function minimising latency and maximising resource utilisation mdp enables adaptive hospital management

L. Dijkstra Algorithm

The Dijkstra's algorithm is used to integrate municipal hospital networks and helps redirect patients to the next available facility. This ensures efficient patient transmission and prevents overcrowding in certain hospitals by dynamically diverting patients based on availability and severity.

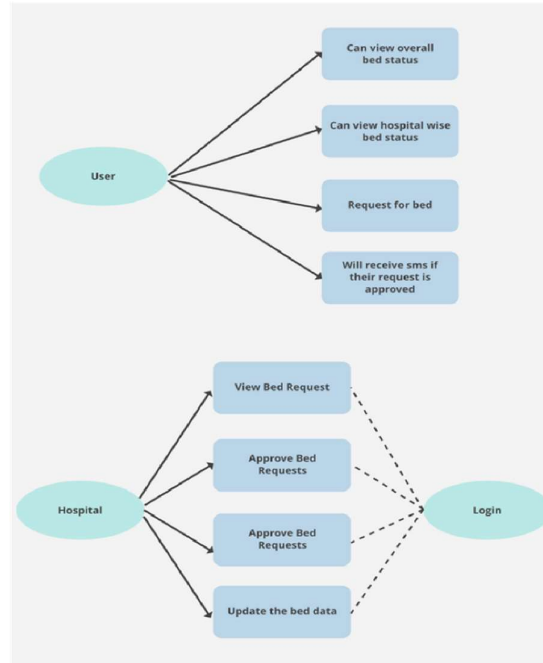


Fig 3

TABLE I

S/N	Authors	Year	Algorithm/Model	Conclusion
1	A.H. Nor Aziati, Nur Salsabilah Binti Hamdan	2020	Queueing Theory + Simulation	Crafted a sim-based method to streamline clinic patient flow, slashing wait times like a boss.
2	Linda V. Green	2020	Queueing Analysis	Used queueing tricks to sync staff, beds, and gear, making hospital ops run smoother than a hot knife through butter.
3	Yue Hu, David Scheinker, Lawrence M. Wein	2021	Patient-Flow Model	Built a system to track bed needs and patient movement, maxing out hospital capacity like a pro.
4	Shasha Han, Shuangchi He, Hong Choon Oh	2021	Computational Bed Assignment	Whipped up a bed-assignment plan to cut ward delays and keep overcrowding in check.
5	Emad Alenany, Abdessamad Ait El Cadi	2020	Machine Learning + Simulation	Mixed AI and sims to speed up emergency care, chopping wait times like a goddamn lumberjack.
6	Kemble M.M. et al.	2020	Queueing Model	Dug into bed usage patterns to sharpen hospital capacity planning and kill delays.
7	Younes Mahmoudian et al.	2023	AI Forecasting	Used AI to predict bed demand, letting hospitals prep resources before shit hits the fan.
8	Lester Mallari	2024	Real-Time Management System	Cooked up a live-tracking tool for beds and clinic queues, making admissions slick as fuck.
9	Umar Ali	2023	Multi-Server Queueing Analysis	Tested multi-server setups during COVID-19 to ease clinic bottlenecks and keep things flowing.
10	B. Venkateswarlu, A.V.S.N. Murty	2020	Single/Multi-Server Models	Pitted queueing strategies against each other to help hospitals nail staff and resource allocation.

V. CONCLUSION

The use of intelligent systems powered by machine learning is changing the way hospitals operate—making them more responsive, efficient, and focused on patient care. These technologies help manage patient queues, streamline admissions, and allocate beds in real time, reducing delays and easing pressure on staff. Think of predictive algorithms as healthcare’s version of weather forecasts: they anticipate busy periods, like flu season or post-holiday surgery spikes, and help hospitals prepare ahead of time.

When these systems are connected across an entire city, the impact is even greater. Hospitals, clinics, and labs can work together as one smart network—sharing resources, rerouting ambulances when one ER is full, and coordinating specialist availability. It means faster care for patients and fewer bottlenecks during emergencies.

This shift isn’t just about better logistics—it’s about building a smarter, more compassionate healthcare system. As machine learning continues to improve, its role in shaping the future of hospital management isn’t just exciting—it’s essential.

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