## A Survey on Electronic Health Records and Big Data Analytics for Healthcare

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*Abstract-* Increase in storing the Electronic Health Records (EHR) of patients has developed a large scale. Healthcare data analytics is rapidly emerging with huge potential for organizations to provide healthcare by reducing the costs and improving healthcare decisions. Analytics help in gaining the information to improve decision making by using advanced data mining tools. A healthcare information and management system uses big data analytics for operational excellence. As Electronic Healthcare records are unstructured in nature, big data adoption is gaining importance in processing and visualizing the data. Big data utilizes Hadoop framework to process the large data sets in distributing computing environment. This paper discusses the survey on the analyzation of EHR by using Big Data Analytics.

Keywords: Health care, Electronic Health Record, Big Data Analytics

#### 1. Introduction

The concept of "big data" [1] is not new; however the way it is defined is constantly changing. Various attempts at defining big data essentially characterize it as a collection of data elements whose size, speed, type, and/or complexity require one to seek, adopt, and invent new hardware and software mechanisms in order to successfully store, analyze, and visualize the data. Healthcare is a prime example of how the three Vs of data, velocity (speed of generation of data), variety, and volume, are an innate aspect of the data it produces. This data is spread among multiple healthcare systems, health insurers, researchers, government entities, and so forth. Furthermore, each of these data repositories is siloed and inherently incapable of providing a platform for global data transparency. To add to the three Vs, the veracity of healthcare data is also critical for its meaningful use towards developing translational research.

A collection of large and complex data sets which are difficult to process using common database management tools or traditional data processing applications. "Big data refers to the tools, processes and procedures allowing an organization to create, manipulate, and manage very large data sets and storage facilities". Standard medical practice is moving from relatively ad-hoc and subjective decision making to evidence-based healthcare.

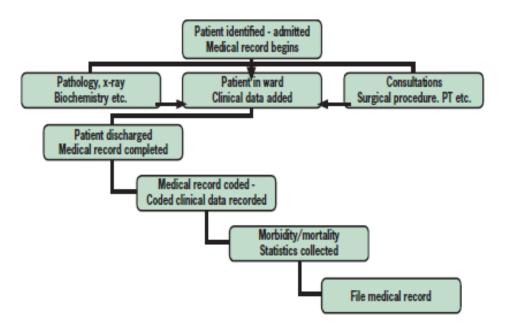
#### 2. Electronic Health Records

MJ Ball, N Carla Smith, RS Bakalar (2007) wrote that the purpose of a patient record is "to recall observations, to inform others, to instruct students, to gain knowledge, to monitor performance, and to justify interventions [2]." The many uses described in this statement, although diverse, have a single goal—to further the application of health sciences in ways that improve the well-being of patients, including the conduct of research and public health activities that address population health. Yet, observational studies of physicians' use of the paper-based record find that logistical, organizational, and other practical limitations reduce the effectiveness of traditional records for storing and organizing an ever increasing number of diverse data. An electronic health record (EHR) [3] is designed to overcome many of these limitations, as well as to provide additional benefits that cannot be attained by a static view of events.

An electronic health record (EHR) is a repository of electronically maintained information about an individual's lifetime health status and health care, stored such that it can serve the multiple legitimate users of the record [4]. Traditionally, the patient record was a record of care provided when a patient is ill. Managed care encourages health care providers to focus on the continuum of health and health care from wellness to illness and recovery. Consequently, the record must integrate elements regarding a patient's health and illness acquired by multiple providers across diverse settings.

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and illness acquired by multiple providers across diverse settings [6].



**Figure 1: Manual Medical Record Information Flow** 

#### 3. Big Data Analytics

Big Data technologies have already made some impact in fields related to healthcare: medical diagnosis from imaging data in medicine, quantifying lifestyle data in the fitness industry, to mention a few [7] [8]. Nevertheless, for several reasons that will be discussed in the report, the healthcare has been lagging in taking up Big Data approaches, which is a paradoxical situation, since it was already estimated by the Poneman Institute in 2012 that 30% of all the electronic data storage in the world was occupied by the healthcare industry. It is evident that within existing mounds of big data there is hidden knowledge that could change the life of a patient or, at a very large extent, change the world itself. Extracting this knowledge is the fastest, least costly and most effective path to improving peoples' health.

Big Data technologies will definitely open new opportunities and enable breakthroughs related to, among the others healthcare data analytics addressing different perspectives: (i) descriptive to answer what happened, (ii) diagnostic to answer the reason why it happened [9], (iii) predictive to understand what will happen and (iv) prescriptive to detect how we can make it happen.

# 4. Related Works on EHR and Big Data Analytics for Healthcare

The following table 1 depicts the related works done on the Electronic Health Record and

Big Data Analytics for Health care.

Author	Paper Title	Description	Findings
Name			
Jaeyong	Evidence that	This study	The use of an
Bae, Jason	electronic	estimates the	EHR system
M.	health records	impact of select	with health
Hockenberr	can promote	EHR	information
y, Kimberly	physician	functionalities	and data,
J. Rask,	counseling for	on the rate of	order entry
Edmund R.	healthy	health behavior	and
Becker [10]	behaviors	counseling	management,
		provided during	result
		primary care	management,
		visits	decision
			support, and
			a notification
			system for
			abnormal test
			results was
			associated
			with an
			approximatel
			y 25%
			increase in
			the
			probability of
			health
			behavior

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			(	counseling			studies using	
			0	delivered			EHR data	
Claudia Leo Neal R. Simo Qingzhao Yu, Park, Richard Scribner [11]	Chi	Street Connectivity and Obesin Risk: Evidence From Electronic Health Records	y determine the feasibility of using electronic health record (EHR) data from a federally qualified health center (FQHC) to assess the association between street	EHRs were successful ly used to assess the relationshi p between street connectivi ty and BMI in a multilevel framewor k. Increasing street connectivi ty levels measured	Martin C. Gulliford, Judith Charlton, Toby Prevost, Helen Booth, Alison Fildes, Mark Ashworth, Peter Littlejohns, Marcus Reddy, Omar Khan, Caroline Rudisill [13]	Costs and Outcomes of Increasing Access to Bariatric Surgery: Cohort Study and Cost- Effectiveness Analysis Using Electronic Health Records	To estimate costs and outcomes of increasing access to bariatric surgery in obese adults and in population subgroups of age, sex, deprivation, comorbidity, and obesity category	Diverse obese individuals may benefit from bariatric surgery at acceptable cost. Bariatric surgery is not cost-saving, but increased health care costs are exceeded by health benefits to obese
			connectivity, a measure of walkability for the local environment , and BMI obtained from EHRs	as intersectio n density were inversely associated with directly measured BMI obtained from EHRs, demonstra ting the feasibility of the approach.	Yih-Ing Hser, Larissa J. Mooney, Andrew J. Saxon, Karen Miotto, Douglas S. Bell, David Huang [14]	Chronic pain among patients with opioid use disorder: Results from electronic health records data	To examine the prevalence of comorbid chronic pain among patients with opioid use disorder (OUD) and to compare other comorbidities (substance use disorder (SUD), mental health disorders, health/disease conditions) among patients	individuals. The alarming high rates of chronic pain conditions occurring before OUD and the associated severe mental health and physical health conditions require better models of assessment and
Goldstein, Ann Marie Navar, Michael J Pencina, John PA Ioannidis [12]	Opportu and cha in deve risk pre models electron health data: systema review	llenges rec eloping are diction inc with con ic sou records clin a pre tic pre uni opp	ords (EHRs) an contract of the second	EHR data present both poportunities and challenges for clinical risk prediction. There is room for mprovement n designing			among patients in four categories: no chronic pain (No Pain), OUD prior to pain (OUD First), OUD and pain at the same time (Same Time), or pain condition prior to OUD (Pain First).	coordinated care plans to address these
		We eva cun EF pre mo thr sys rev clin	Ŭ	such studies.	Juan D Chaparro, David C Classen, Melissa Danforth, David C Stockwell, Christopher A Longhurst [15]	National trends in safety performance of electronic health record systems in children's hospitals	To evaluate the safety of computerized physician order entry (CPOE) and associated clinical decision support (CDS) systems in electronic health record (EHR)	Pediatric computerized physician order entry (CPOE) systems on average are able to intercept a majority of potential

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	pediatric inpatient facilities in the US using the Leapfrog Group's pediatric CPOE evaluation tool.	errors, but vary widely among implementati ons. Prospective and repeated testing using the Leapfrog Group's evaluation tool is associated with improved	Matthew F. Daley, Douglas A. Newton, Lynn DeBar, Sophia R. Newcomer, Lisa Pieper, Joseph A. Boscarino, Sengwee Toh, Pamala	Accuracy of Electronic Health Record– Derived Data for the Identification of Incident ADHD	improve the accuracy of risk estimates? To assess the accuracy of electronic health record (EHR)– derived diagnoses in identifying children with incident (i.e., newly diagnosed) Attention- Deficit/Hyperact	Studies predicated on the identification of incident ADHD cases will need to carefully consider study designs that minimize the likelihood of
Julian Use Wolfson, Customi David M. of Risk Vock, for Pre Sunayan Cardiov Bandyopadh r Events	ScoresFraminghamdictingRiskScoreascula(FRS) or the	ability to intercept potential medication errors They conclude that published cardiovascula r risk models can be	Pawloski, James D. Nordin, Cynthia Nakasato, Lisa J. Herrinton, Regina Bussing [17]	Electronic	ivity Disorder (ADHD)	case misclassificat ion
Bandyopadh r Events yay, Electron Thomas Health I Kottke, Data Gabriela Vazquez- Benitez, Paul Johnson, Gediminas Adomaviciu s, Patrick J. O'Connor [16]	ic College of	can be successfully applied to EHD to estimate cardiovascula r risk; the FRS remains valid and is not obsolete; and model refitting does not meaningfully improve the accuracy of risk estimates	Martin R. Cowie, Juuso I. Blomster, Lesley H. Curtis, Sylvie Duclaux, Ian Ford, Fleur Fritz, Samantha Goldman, Salim Janmohame d, Jo"rg Kreuzer, Mark Leenay, Alexander Michel, Seleen Ong, Jill P. Pell, Mary Ross Southworth, Wendy Gattis Stough, Martin Thoenes, Faiez Zannad, Andrew Zalewski [18]	Electronic health records to facilitate clinical research	Electronic health records (EHRs) provide opportunities to enhance patient care, embed performance measures in clinical practice, and facilitate clinical research.	Electronic health records are a promising resource to improve the efficiency of clinical trials and to capitalize on novel research approaches. EHRs are useful data sources to support comparative effectiveness research and new trial designs that may answer relevant clinical questions as well as improve efficiency and reduce the cost of cardiovascula r clinical

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Stefan Koudstaa, Mar Pujades- Rodriguez, Spiros Denaxas, Johannes M.I.H. Gho, Anoop D. Shah, Ning	Prognostic burden of heart failure recorded in primary care, acute hospital admissions, or both: a population- based linked electronic	The prognosis of patients hospitalized for worsening heart failure (HF) is well described, but not that of patients managed solely in non-acute settings such as	with EHRs has been encouraging, and accruing knowledge will continue to transform the application of EHRs for clinical research In the general population, one in four patients with HF will not be hospitalized for worsening HF within a median	Chung Wang, Casey G. Cegielski [20]	n Model:Applic ation to Health Care	view is developed which reveals the causal relationships among big data analytics capabilities, IT- enabled transformation practices, benefit dimensions and business value. This model was then tested in healthcare setting	IT adoption usually lags behind other industries. Case organizations studied in this paper are "leaders" in their own rights. They are either top-ranked research hospitals or associated with top medical schools with resources, or highly profitable entities.
Yu, Riyaz S. Patel, Chris P. Gale, Arno W. Hoes, John G. Cleland, Folkert W. Asselbergs, and Harry Hemingway [19]	health record cohort study in 2.1 million people	primary care or secondary outpatient care. We assessed the distribution of HF across levels of healthcare, and assessed the prognostic differences for patients with HF either recorded in primary care (including secondary outpatient care) (PC), hospital admissions alone, or known in both contexts	follow-up of 1.7 years, yet they still have a poor 5-year prognosis. Patients admitted to hospital with worsening HF but not known with HF in primary care have the worst prognosis and management. Mitigating the prognostic burden of HF requires greater consistency across	Hemingway H, Feder G S, Fitzpatrick N K, Denaxas S, Shah A D & Timmis A D. [21]	LInked Bespoke studies and Electronic health Records (CALIBER) programme	Electronic health records (EHRs), when linked across primary and secondary care and curated for research use, have the potential to improve our understanding of care quality and outcome. To evaluate new opportunities arising from linked EHRs for improving quality of care and outcomes for patients at risk of or with coronary disease across the patient journey.	Emerging 'big data' opportunities arising from the linkage of records at different stages of a patient's journey are vital to the generation of actionable insights into the diagnosis, risk stratification and cost- effective treatment of people at risk of, or with, CVD.
Yichuan Wang, LeeAnn Kung, William Yu	An Integrated Big Data Analytics- Enabled Transformatio	A big data analytics enabled transformation model based on practice-based	primary and secondary care in the identification , profiling, and treatment of patients. One challenge in the health care industry is that their	Christian R. Macedonia, Clark T. Johnson, Indika Rajapakse [22]	Advanced Research and Data Methods in Women's Health- Big Data Analytics, Adaptive Studies, and the Road Ahead	Technical advances in science have had broad implications in reproductive and women's health care. Recent innovations in population-level data collection and storage have	Examination of big data research examples contained in this article provides insight into the potential and the limitations of this data

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	made available	science			Although both	accurate and
	an	revolution			fields have	timely
	unprecedented	and practical			matured in	diagnosis of
	amount of data	pathways for			isolation, uniting	AKI events
	for analysis while	its useful implementati			the 2 has the capacity to	
	computational	on.			redefine AKI-	
	technology has	0			related care and	
	evolved to				research. This	
	permit				article describes	
	processing of				how the	
	data previously				application of a	
	thought too dense to study.				consistent AKI definition to the	
	"Big data" is a				EHR dataset can	
	term used to				accurately and	
	describe data				rapidly diagnose	
	that are a				and identify AKI	
	combination of				events.	
	dramatically				Furthermore, this	
	greater volume, complexity, and				electronic, automated	
	scale. The				diagnostic	
	number of				strategy creates	
	variables in				the opportunity	
	typical big data				to develop	
	research can				predictive	
	readily be in the thousands,				approaches, optimize AKI	
	challenging the				optimize AKI alerts, and trace	
	limits of				AKI events	
	traditional				across	
	research				institutions, care	
	methodologies				platforms, and	
Scott M. Leveraging	While acute	The			administrative datasets	
Sutherland a Big Data and Stuart L. Electronic	kidney injury (AKI) has been	combination of a standard	Vera	Clinical	Routinely	Big data will
Goldstein b Health	poorly defined	AKI	Ehrenstein,	epidemiology	recorded health	also provide
Sean M. Records to		definition,	Henrik	in the era of	data have	new
Bagshaw Enhance	decade of effort	the pervasive	Nielsen,	big data: new	evolved from	possibilities
[23] Novel	has culminated	growth of	Alma B	opportunities,	mere by-	for research
Approaches to		EHR	Pedersen,	familiar	products of	
Injury	standardized, consensus	adoption, and the	Søren P Johnsen,	challenges	health care delivery or	access to linked
Research and	definition. In	development	and Lars		billing into a	information
Care	parallel,	of novel	Pedersen		powerful	from
	electronic health	informatics	[24]		research tool for	biobanks,
	records (EHRs)	tools has			studying and	electronic
	have been	created a			improving	medical
	adopted with greater	unique set of circumstance			patient care through clinical	records, patient-
	regularity,	s capable of			epidemiologic	reported
	clinical	transforming			research. Big	outcome
	informatics	AKI-related			data in the	measures,
	approaches have	care and			context of	automatic
	been refined, and	research.			epidemiologic	and
	the field of	Application			research means	semiautomati
	EHR-enabled care	of the KDIGO			large interlinkable	c electronic monitoring
	improvement	criteria to the			data sets within a	devices, and
	and research has	EHR dataset			single country or	social media.
	burgeoned.	allows			networks of	The sheer

multinational	amount of
databases	data,
	however,
	does not
	eliminate and
	may even
	amplify
	systematic
	error.
	Therefore,
	methodologie
	s addressing
	systematic
	error, clinical
	knowledge,
	and
	underlying
	hypotheses
	are more
	important
	than ever to
	ensure that
	the signal is
	discernable
	behind the
	noise.

#### V Conclusion

This review paper carried out the related works done on the Electronic Health Record (EHR) and Big Data Analytics in Healthcare. Accurate patient identification is the backbone of an effective and efficient health record system, whether manual or electronic. From the works, the following research issues and challenges are in HER: Inferring knowledge from complex heterogeneous patient sources. Leveraging the patient/data correlations in longitudinal records, Understanding unstructured clinical notes in the right context, Efficiently handling large volumes of medical data and extracting potentially useful information and biomarkers. • Analyzing 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. Access control to ensure health records are available when needed for patient care and other official purposes but may not be accessed by unauthorized persons. Audit controls where access may be monitored to ensure only authorized persons use the system and to identify when changes are occurred.

#### VI FUTURE DIRECTION

The following works are the future direction of the research work. To improve the accuracy, analyzation of records can be done by classifying the records into district wise or zonal wise or state wise. The records are taken according to the age criteria by using Map Reduce operation.

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Considering the Lab/ Haemotology reports of the patients to classify the patients into three categories by means of Minimum, Maximum and Average. Finally, the decision support system is developed to take the decision based on the reports and to alert the doctor as well as patient according to their physical state. Finally, the decision support system is developed to take the decision based on the reports and to alert the doctor as well as patient according to their physical state.

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