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Design and Development of Efficient Electronic Medical Data Search Engine with Data Privacy Using Blockchain Technology

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Abstract

Information retrieval from the medical repositories within a time frame is challenging task due to the rapid growth of patient's population. To address this challenge, a Gestalt Projection Tversky Censored Regressive Miyaguchi-Preneel cryptographic Blockchain (GPTCRMBC) is introduced. This GPTCRMBC method performs query preprocessing which includes tokenization and stop words removal. The targeted projection pursuit technique is used for extracting the keywords. Search engine calculates a relevance score by applying Tversky index censored regression. Depend on similarity score value, relevant medical information is identified through superior accuracy. Finally, Miyaguchi-Preneel cryptographic hash Blockchain is employed for IR in a secure manner. Outcomes of GPTCRMBC achieved maximum precision, recall, F1-score with minimal time than existing methods.

Keywords: Information Retrieval (IR), Electronic Medical Records (EMR) Search Engine, Gensim tokenizer, gestalt pattern matching, targeted projection pursuit technique, Tversky index, Blockchain

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1. Introduction

Patient IR acts fundamental part in healthcare systems. EMR represent a major improvement in healthcare technology, offering transformative benefits in patient care, clinical decision-making and healthcare system efficiency. With the extensive exponential growth of medical data, the need for effective information retrieval methods has become important. Patient information retrieval plays a vital role in healthcare systems, facilitating access to relevant medical data for healthcare professionals. Efficient retrieval of patient information enables healthcare providers to make informed decisions, enhance patient care, and reorganize medical processes. EMRs database store a vast amount of structured and unstructured patient information, including medical history, diagnoses, lab results, imaging reports, and treatment plans. Retrieving relevant information from this database requires advanced techniques for healthcare information retrieval.

An Embedding-based knowledge structure (EKS) was designed [1] for medical IR. But it failed to improve accuracy. A clustering-based method was introduced in [2] for increasing precision and recall. However, it failed to minimize time. Exponential Aquila Optimizer (EAO)-based Deep Fuzzy Clustering [3] was employed. But, it faced challenges for larger datasets. The blockchain system was presented [4] to indicate access controls. Study focused on health IR scheme [5] with fuzzy basis of ML. In [6], mixture dynamic filtering investigated. Lightweight safe information distribution examined [7]. However, it failed to precision.

At [8], R-tree clustering performed. Study considered on Ontology-basis of plan [9]. During IR, EMR Search Engine analyzed [10]. Machine Learning was discussed in [11]. A new advanced indexing was introduced in [12]

for efficient IR. But, it did not carry out well through large datasets. A new approach was designed in [13] for biomedical IR based on keyword search. But, it has additional time. NLP-basis of feature weighting scheme [14] introduced. At [15], ensemble scheme designed. To examine query reformulation, graph-basis method employed [16]. Proficient data-basis technique investigated [17].

The remainder section of the paper is arranged in following manner: Section - 2 explains about related research done in this area. The proposed architecture was discussed in Section - 3. The system was compared with existing model in performance of the system in Section - 4. Section - 5 presented the conclusion and future directions.

2. Related Works

A clustering-based method was introduced in [2] with the aim of increasing the average precision and recall in medical information retrieval. However, it failed to design an automatic performance estimation method for medical information retrieval with minimal time. The Exponential Aquila Optimizer (EAO)-based Deep Fuzzy Clustering method, developed in [3], aimed to retrieve relevant documents based on query matching using the Tversky index. However, it faced challenges when applied to larger datasets, impacting its effectiveness in retrieving documents. Rescue provided [18] via similarity matrix mixture. Two-step training plan illustrated [19]. Clinical judgment support method analyzed [20].

A pre-trained BERT model was developed in [21] for healthcare IR. An ontology-based clustering method was designed in [22] for semantic IR. A deep learning-based search was designed in [23] for IR. A two-stage IR method was designed in [24] for biomedical IR. But, it failed to improve retrieval accuracy.

Study focused on biomedical IR [25]. At [26], Contrastive pre-trained transformer employed. Query growth investigated [27] by Optimization. At [28], two-phase IR designed. Rich semantics gathered [29] by multimodal IR. Two-level query method performed [30]. Data extraction method proposed [31]. With IR, multi manager basis of approach utilized [32].

3. Methodology

To achieve higher health IR as well as fewer time, GPTCRMCB employed. Proposed contributions given by: For higher precision, GPTCRMCB presented. Employ Gensim tokenizer as well as Gestalt pattern matching with less time. To extract keyword, utilizes targeted projection pursuit. Applicable IR discovered by Tversky regression. Apply Miyaguchi-Preneel cryptographic with higher privacy.

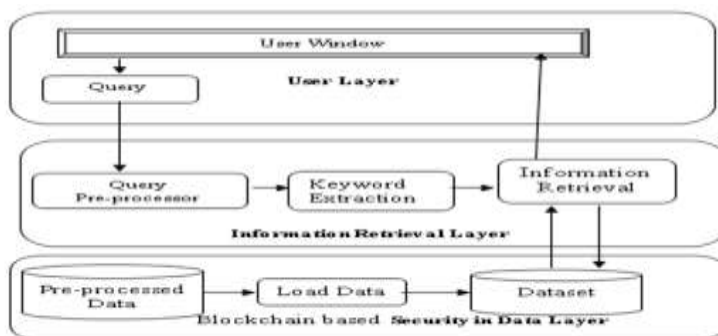


Figure 1. Architecture of proposed method

GPTCRMCB is depicted in figure 1 for privacy preserved medical IR.

3.1 preprocessing

Initially, user submits their query into user window and it transmitted to system. After that, preprocessing is executed. It involved tokenization and stop word removal procedures. The Gensim tokenizer is utilized to segment input query into individual words or tokens, employing punctuation and spaces within the square

bracket. Let us consider 'n' number of queries $Q_1, Q_2, Q_3 \dots Q_n$ and 'm' number of words $w_1, w_2, w_3, \dots w_m$. Then the tokenization process is expressed as follows,

$$Q \xrightarrow{GT} [w_1', w_2', w_3', \dots w_m'] \quad (1)$$

Where, query 'Q' is partitioned into a number of words $w_1, w_2, w_3, \dots w_m$ using Gensim tokenizer 'GT'. Afterward, stop words are detached using gestalt pattern matching technique. It is a statistical technique for analyzing words at predefined file and comparing them with words in current query. Let us consider 'm' number of words or tokens $w_1, w_2, w_3, \dots w_m$ and predefined stop word list ' w_L '. The matching is performed as follows,

$$PM = 2 * \frac{Mw_s}{|w_m||w_L|} \quad (2)$$

$$PM = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{Stopword} \\ 0, & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (3)$$

Where PM denotes pattern matching score, Mw_s denotes matched words, $|w_m|$ and $|w_L|$ represents number of string in word within query ' w_m ' and words in predefined stop word list ' w_L '. The PM provides output values between zero and one. If PM is 1, word is stop words and it detached as of query. Algorithm 1 described process of query preprocessing.

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// Algorithm 1: Query preprocessing
Begin
1: Collect number of user queries  $Q_1, Q_2, Q_3 \dots Q_n$  from dataset
2: For each query ' $Q_i$ '
3:   Partition the text into words [ $w_1', w_2', w_3', \dots w_m'$ ] using tokenizer
4: End for
5: For each word ' $w_j$ ' in query
6:   For each word ' $w_j$ ' in predefined stop word list
7:     Measure pattern matching score using (2)
8:   if ( $PM = 1$ ) then
9:     Words are matched
10:  else
11:    Words are not matched
12:  End if
13:  Matched words are identified as stop words and removed
14: End for
15: End for
16: Return (preprocessed words)
End
    
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3.2 Targeted projection pursuit technique based keyword extraction

After preprocessing, keywords are extracted through using targeted projection pursuit technique. For every word in preprocessed queries, frequent occurrences of words is computed as follow,

$$FO = \frac{NFW}{N_w} \quad (4)$$

Where, FO denotes a frequent occurrences of words, N_w denotes a total number of words in document, NFW denotes a number of words frequently occurred. The projection function minimizes difference between the frequent occurrences of words and target.

$$Y = \min |T - FO.A| \quad (5)$$

Where, Y denotes an output of target projection, \min denotes minimizes difference between target ' T ' and frequent occurrences of words ' FO ', A indicates a projection matrix to project original keywords. Therefore, keywords are extracted and process shown in algorithm 2.

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// Algorithm 2 Targeted projection pursuit based keyword extraction
Begin
1: Collect Pre-processed user queries
2: For each Pre-processed query 'Qi'
3:   Compute the frequency occurrence of words using (4)
4: End for
5: Projection function find minimum deviation using (5)
6: Return (keywords)
End
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3.3 Tversky indexive censored regression based information retrieval

Finally, relevant medical information is retrieved using extracted keywords using Tversky indexive censored regression. Censored regression is a statistical analysis where the exact value of an output variable is not observed or recorded, and other values are removed due to certain constraints, also known as a censoring point. The censoring point refers to the specific value or threshold that serves as a boundary beyond which the data points are censored. The regression process involves two types of censoring namely left-censoring and right-censoring. In left-censoring, observed value of a Tversky similarity index is known to be less than a certain threshold. Right-censoring occurs when Tversky similarity index output is known to be above a certain threshold. Let us consider number of extracted words $w_1, w_2, w_3, \dots, w_k$.

$$TC = \frac{w_k \cap C_b}{a(w_k \cap C_b) + b(w_k \Delta C_b)} \tag{6}$$

Where, TC indicates a tversky coefficient or relevance score, a and b are parameters of Tversky coefficient ($a, b \geq 0$), and coefficient TC provides output ranging between 0 and 1. w_k denotes extracted keywords, C_b denotes a content in database, $w_k \cap C_b$ indicates a mutual dependence between keywords and content in database, $w_k \Delta C_b$ indicates a variance between keywords and content in its database. Censored regression is a class of models in which relevance score is censored above or below a certain threshold.

$$Z = \begin{cases} TC > \delta ; \text{relavant information} \\ \text{otherwise}; \text{irrelavant information} \end{cases} \tag{7}$$

Where, Z indicates a censored regression output, δ denotes a threshold, TC denotes a tversky coefficient or relevance score. If TC is greater than threshold, relevant information is retrieved. If TC is less than threshold, content is considered as irrelevant information and it is censored. Algorithm 3 describes the process of retrieving relevant information.

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// Algorithm 3: Tversky indexive censored regression based information retrieval
Begin
1: Collect w1, w2, w3, ... wk
2: For each keywords 'wk'
3:   For each content in database 'Cb'
4:     Measure relevance score of words using (6)
5:   End for
6: End for
7: if (TC > δ) then
8:   Relevant data
9:   else
10:  Irrelevant data
11:  end if
12: Return (relevant information related to a user query)
End
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3.4 Miyaguchi-Preneel cryptographic hash Blockchain for privacy preserved medical IR

After finding relevant information, Miyaguchi-Preneel cryptographic hash Blockchain used to protect privacy of medical data by preventing unauthorized access. Relevant patient information ' $D_s = D_1, D_2, \dots, D_n$ ' is considered as input. Input separated to different message agreed sizes blocks.

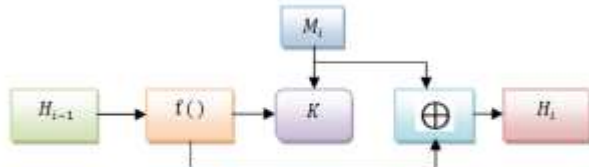


Figure 2 Process of compression function

Compression function illustrated in Figure 2. Input message block ‘ M_i ’ encrypted. Prior hash value ‘ H_{i-1} ’ set to function $f()$ changed to fit for block cipher ‘ K ’. Output hash generated with ‘ M_i ’ and XORed with ‘ H_{i-1} ’.

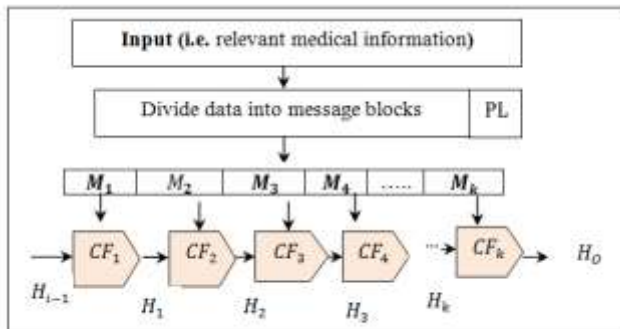


Figure 3 structure of Miyaguchi-Preneel single-block compression

Figure 3 given above depicts structure of Miyaguchi-Preneel compression to generate output hash ‘ H_0 ’. Message block indicated as ‘ $M_1, M_2, M_3, M_4, \dots, M_k$ ’, $CF_1, CF_2, CF_3, CF_4, \dots, CF_k$ denotes a Miyaguchi-Preneel compression function, last block is padded by ‘0’s (i.e. Pad = 0) and PL denotes Padding length for adding extra bits or bytes to the input data when the input data length is not an exact multiple of block size. By compression, output hash created. At first iteration, no H_{i-1} provided as well as employs pre-specified initial value ($H_0 = 0$). Output hash estimated by,

$$H = [K_D(M_i) \oplus H_{i-1} \oplus M_i] \quad (8)$$

Where ‘ M_i ’ and ‘ H_{i-1} ’ preset to ‘0’, ‘ K ’ denotes a block cipher, key to ‘ K ’ XORed with ‘ H_{i-1} ’ as well as (M_i) denoted as D . Output of last compression function ‘ H_0 ’ is considered as a final output hash value. In this manner, each applicable medical data is to build hash value. Algorithm 4 describes outlines for privacy aware medical IR from search engine.

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// Algorithm 4 Miyaguchi-Preneel cryptographic hash Blockchain
Begin
1: Collect relevant patient data  $D_x \in D_1, D_2, \dots, D_n$ 
2: For every 't'
3:   Create blockchain
4:   For each ' $D_x$ '
5:     Partitioned to 'k'  $D_x \rightarrow M_1, M_2, M_3, \dots, M_k$ 
6:     for both ' $M_i$ '
7:       Produce  $H = [K_D(M_i) \oplus H_{i-1} \oplus M_i]$ 
8:     End for
9:     Obtain ' $H_0$ '
10:  End for
11:  Send hashed data to authorized user
12: End for
End
    
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4. Experimental Scenario

In this section, GPTCRMBC, Clustering-based Method (CBM)[2], EAO-based Deep Fuzzy Clustering (EAO-DFC) [3], are executed by python by applying NFCorpus dataset. Performance analysis of proposed system is compared

with two existing model CBM and EAO-DFC. It consists of 3,244 NL queries by 169,756 relevance judgments. The dataset contains 9,964 medical documents.

Table 1 system specification

Operating system	Windows 10 and above (64-bit)
Language	Python 3.10.11
Hard disk	500 GB
Processor	Intel Pentium processor
RAM	4GB
Dataset	NF Corpus dataset and taken from https://www.cl.uni-heidelberg.de/statnlpgroup/nfcorpus/

Accuracy: User queries percentage in which relevant medical documents correctly retrieved defined as 'Acc'.

$$Acc = \left(\frac{TRP+TRN}{TRP+TRN+FLP+FLN} \right) * 100 \quad (9)$$

Where, *Acc* indicates accuracy, true positives is TRP, true negative is TRN, false positive is FLP, false negative is FLN. Accuracy is measured in percentage.

Precision (PR): it used at data retrieval that measures proportion of relevant documents related to query.

$$PR = \frac{TRP}{TRP+FLP} \quad (10)$$

Recall (RL): it measures ratio of pertinent medical records correctly retrieved.

$$RL = \frac{TRP}{TRP+FLN} \quad (11)$$

F1-score: It merges PR as well as RL rate.

$$F1 - score = 2 * \frac{PR * RL}{PR + RL} \quad (12)$$

Information retrieval time: time needed for relevant or irrelevant medical documents based on user queries referred as 'IRT'.

$$IRT = \sum_{i=1}^n Q_i * Time [RD] \quad (13)$$

Where, *IRT* indicates Information retrieval time, *Time [RD]* indicates a time for retrieving relevant document 'RD' based on user queries 'Q_i'. The time is calculated in milliseconds (ms).

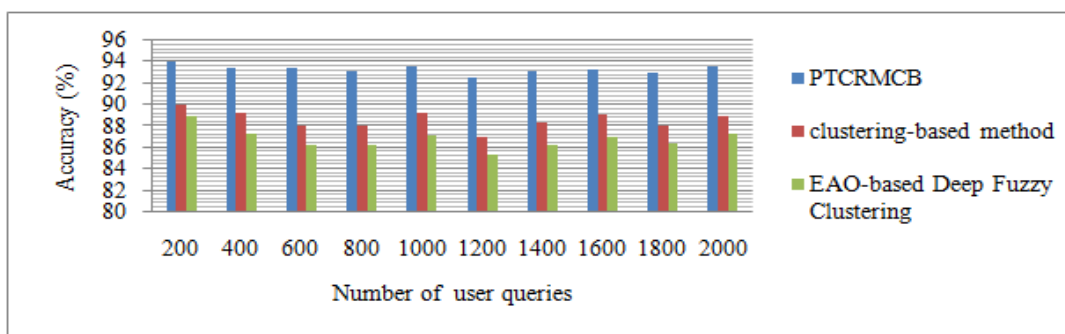


Figure 4 Accuracy

Figure 4 depicts experimental results of accuracy versus queries, ranging from 200 to 2000. The results of PTCRMCB method is increased by 5% and 7% compared to [CBM] [EAO-DFC] respectively.

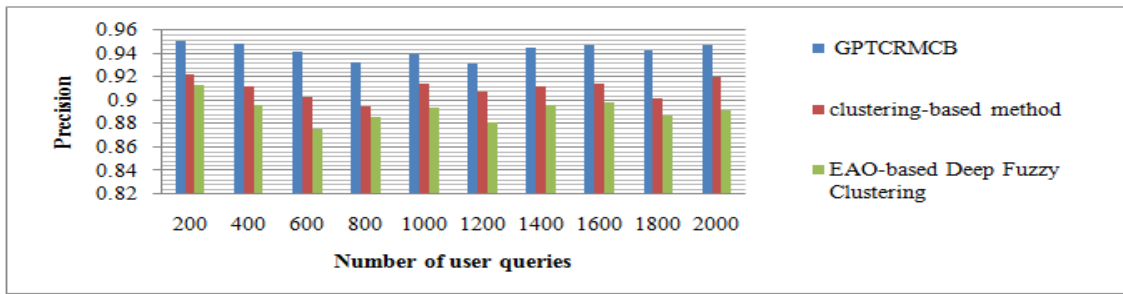


Figure 5 Precision

Figure 5 depicts a performance analysis of precision versus number of user queries. The GPTCRMCB improved the precision by 4% compared to [CBM] and 6% compared to [EAO-DFC].

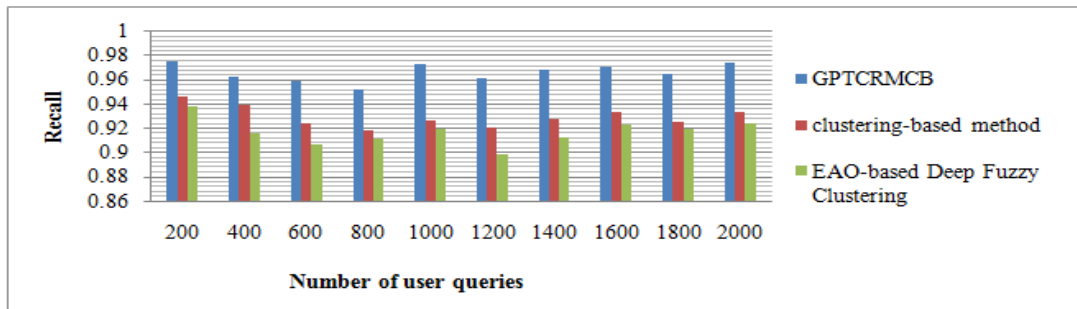


Figure 6 Recall

Figure 6 displays performance results of recall. The results indicate the GPTCRMCB method is found to be higher by 4% and 5% than the [CBM] and [EAO-DFC] respectively.

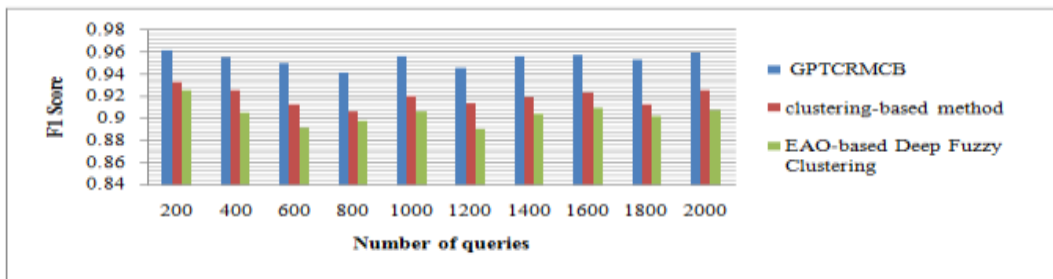


Figure 7 F1-score

The F1-score for retrieving relevant medical information are depicted in Figure 7. Outcomes of GPTCRMCB are improved by 4%, 6% compared to [CBM] and [EAO-DFC] respectively.

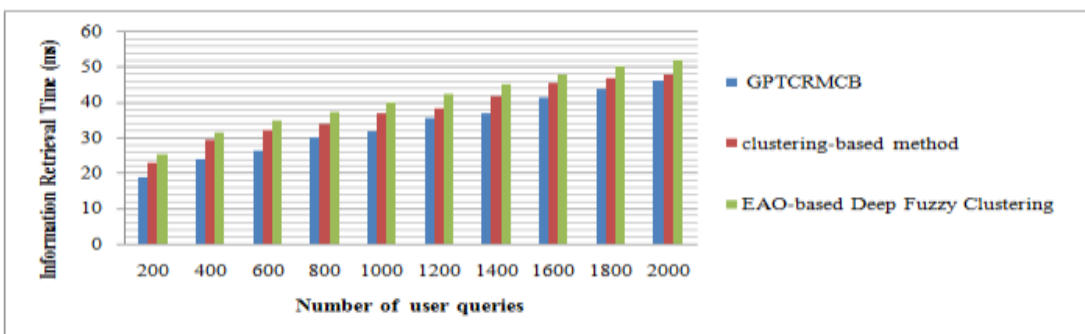


Figure 8 Information retrieval time

Figure 8 depicts performance outcomes of IR time using three different methods. GPTCRMCB of IRT minimized by 12%, 18% compared to [CBM], [EAO-DFC] respectively.

Proposed GPTCRMCB and [CBM], [EAO-DFC] are implemented using python by applying 500 GB dataset for evaluating clinical data retrieval schemes as exposed in figure 9 and 10.

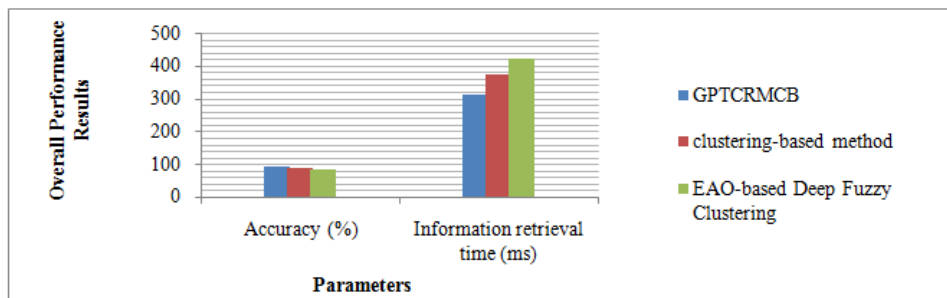


Figure 9 graphical representations of accuracy and Information retrieval time

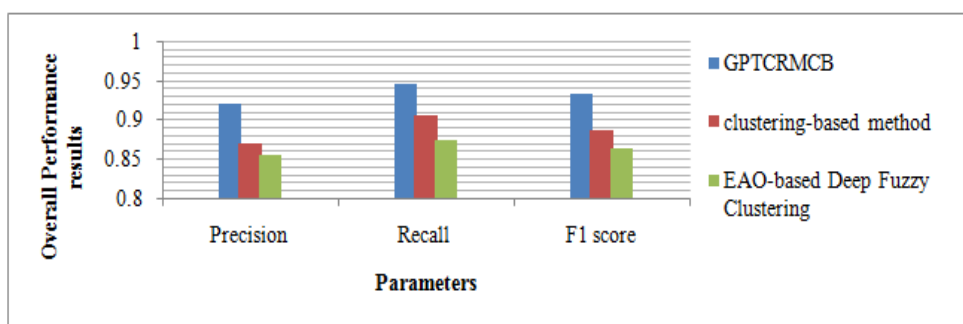


Figure 10 graphical representations of precision, recall, F1 Score

Figure 9 and 10 illustrates performance results of three parameters using 500GB dataset. The performance of all parameters is improved using GPTCRMCB than existing [CBM] [EAO-DFC].

5. Conclusion

In this paper, a novel GPTCRMCB has designed for accurate IR. The GPTCRMCB method performs query preprocessing and keyword extraction to minimize time. The Censored Regression is employed to retrieve relevant patient information. Finally, cryptographic hash Blockchain is employed for secure IR. The paper conducts an experimental evaluation using NFCorpus dataset and 500GB dataset for Medical IR. The observed results show the GPTCRMCB method increases the performance compared to existing approaches. However, GPTCRMCB method faced demands when dealing through multifaceted queries, especially in contextual perception based keyword matching. In the future, advanced deep learning models will be used for query preprocessing to handle complex and context-aware patient IR.

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