

NLPCortexSQL

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Abstract:

NLPCORTEXSQL is a professional-grade autonomous data intelligence platform designed to translate natural language queries into precise and executable PostgreSQL statements. Unlike conventional NL2SQL systems, NLPCORTEXSQL leverages a multi-agent orchestration architecture to enhance accuracy, interpretability, and robustness when operating over complex database schemas. The system is built on a coordinated workflow of specialized agents, including a semantic supervisor for schema filtering, a reasoning architect that employs a two-step logic-to-SQL generation strategy, a reflection agent for schema validation and hallucination detection, and an execution agent capable of iterative error-aware correction. To further improve usability and insight generation, the platform incorporates an analytical formatting layer that transforms raw query results into structured narratives, highlighting trends and anomalies. NLPCORTEXSQL integrates hybrid intelligence by combining a fine-tuned local sequence-to-sequence model with a high-performance large language model to balance latency and reasoning capability. The platform supports rapid schema ingestion through semantic mapping of tabular data and ensures secure interaction via modern authentication mechanisms.

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I. INTRODUCTION

In today's data-driven world, organizations rely heavily on structured databases to store and analyze large volumes of information. However, accessing this data typically requires proficiency in query languages such as SQL, creating a significant barrier for non-technical users. Even for experienced analysts, writing complex queries involving multiple joins, aggregations, and nested logic can be time-consuming and error-prone. This gap between human language and structured query systems has led to increasing interest in Natural Language to SQL (NL2SQL) solutions.

Traditional NL2SQL systems attempt to convert user queries directly into SQL statements using rule-based methods or single-pass machine learning models. While these approaches work for simple queries, they often struggle with complex schemas, ambiguous user intent, and multi-step reasoning. A common limitation is their tendency to generate incorrect or non-executable queries due to hallucinated table or column names, lack of schema awareness, or insufficient validation mechanisms.

To address these challenges, NLPCORTEXSQL introduces a multi-agent orchestration framework designed to improve the reliability, interpretability, and scalability of natural language data querying. Instead of relying on a single model, the system decomposes the task into a sequence of specialized agents, each responsible for a specific stage in the query generation pipeline. This modular approach enables more structured reasoning, better error handling, and improved alignment with the underlying database schema.

At the core of the system is a semantic filtering mechanism that identifies the most relevant parts of the database schema before query generation begins. This reduces noise and ensures that subsequent reasoning operates within a focused context. The system then employs a two-step reasoning strategy, where the query logic is first constructed in natural language before being translated into SQL. This intermediate reasoning layer improves transparency and reduces logical errors in query formation.

To ensure correctness, a validation component systematically verifies generated queries against the actual database schema, minimizing hallucinations and structural inconsistencies. Additionally, an execution module introduces a feedback-driven retry mechanism that allows the system to recover from runtime errors by iteratively refining queries. Finally, the platform enhances user experience by transforming raw query outputs into meaningful analytical insights, enabling users to not only retrieve data but also understand underlying patterns and trends.

By combining multi-agent orchestration, hybrid language models, and robust validation strategies, NLPCORTEXSQL aims to bridge the gap between human language and structured data systems. The platform represents a step toward more intelligent, reliable, and user-friendly data access solutions, making advanced data analytics accessible to a broader range of users.

II. OBJECTIVE OF THE STUDY

- *To design a multi-agent orchestration framework.*
- *To develop a semantic schema filtering mechanism.*
- *To implement a two-step reasoning approach.*

III. HYPOTHESIS OF THE STUDY:

- The **semantic filtering agent** will correctly identify relevant tables and columns, reducing ambiguity.
- The **reasoning agent** will better understand user intent by creating a logical plan before generating SQL.
- The **validation agent** will minimize hallucinations and schema-related errors by checking queries against the database structure.
- The **self-healing execution mechanism** will improve execution success by automatically correcting faulty queries.
- The **hybrid AI approach** combining a local model and a large language model will provide a balance between speed and reasoning capability.
- The **analytical formatting layer** will make query results easier for users to understand and interpret.

IV. LITERATURE REVIEW

- **Zhong, V., Xiong, C., & Socher, R. (2017):** and reduced schema hallucinations compared to single-agent architectures. The authors introduced Seq2SQL, one of the earliest model architectures. The research highlighted the deep learning approaches for translating natural language questions into SQL queries. The model orchestration in handling complex database queries utilized reinforcement learning and sequence-to-sequence neural networks to generate SQL statements directly from user inputs. The study demonstrated significant improvements over traditional rule-based methods; however, the model faced challenges when dealing with complex database schemas, nested queries, and multi-table joins. This work laid the foundation for modern Natural Language to SQL (NL2SQL) systems.
- **LangChain and LangGraph Research Community (2023–2025):** Recent advancements in agent-based AI systems have led to the development of frameworks such as LangChain and LangGraph. These frameworks enable the creation of specialized agents that perform distinct tasks, including planning, validation, execution, and reflection. Studies have shown that separating reasoning from SQL generation improves reliability, interpretability, and error recovery. Multi-agent workflows have emerged as a promising approach for building scalable and production-ready AI-powered database assistants.
- **Xu, X., Liu, C., & Song, D. (2017):** The researchers proposed SQLNet, a neural network-based framework designed to overcome limitations of sequence-to-sequence SQL generation models. SQLNet introduced a sketch-based approach that reduced the dependency on query order and improved SQL generation accuracy. The study achieved promising results on the WikiSQL dataset, but the model still struggled with complex analytical queries and large-scale enterprise databases.
- **Raffel, C. et al. (2020):** The authors presented the Text-to-Text Transfer Transformer (T5), a unified framework that treats all NLP tasks as text generation problems. T5 demonstrated remarkable performance across a variety of language understanding and generation tasks, including semantic parsing and query generation. The model's ability to capture contextual relationships made it highly suitable for NL2SQL applications. However, large transformer models require substantial computational resources and may generate hallucinated outputs when applied to database querying tasks.
- **Besta, M., Blach, N., Kubicek, A., Gerstenberger, R., Gianinazzi, L., Gajda, J., Lehmann, T., Podstawski, M., Niewiadomski, H., Nyczyk, P., & Hoefler, T. (2024):** The researchers proposed an agentic framework for schema-aware NL2SQL generation. Their study demonstrated how multiple AI agents could collaborate to perform schema understanding, reasoning, query generation, and validation. The framework significantly improved query accuracy
- **Present Study – NLPCortexSQL:** Based on the limitations identified in previous studies, the present research proposes NLPCortexSQL, a multi-agent autonomous data intelligence platform. The system combines semantic schema filtering, reasoning-based SQL generation, validation through reflection agents, and self-healing execution mechanisms. Unlike traditional NL2SQL systems, NLPCortexSQL integrates a hybrid intelligence approach using T5-Small and Gemini 2.0 Flash, ensuring improved accuracy, interpretability, and scalability. The platform also transforms query results into meaningful analytical insights, making data access more accessible to both technical and non-technical users.

V. RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

This study adopts a **design and development research methodology** to create and evaluate the NLPCORTEXSQL system, an intelligent Natural Language to SQL platform based on a multi-agent orchestration framework. The research follows a system-oriented and experimental approach, focusing on the design, implementation, testing, and performance evaluation of the proposed system. The development process is carried out iteratively, allowing continuous improvements based on identified errors and performance outcomes. The primary aim is to enhance

the accuracy, reliability, scalability, and expected outputs. The collected results are analyzed to interpretability of natural language database querying, assess system effectiveness and identify areas for improvement. Through this comprehensive

The proposed system is designed as a modular multi-methodology, the study aims to demonstrate the agent architecture in which each agent performs a effectiveness of a multi-agent framework in improving specialized task. The Semantic Filtering Agent the reliability, accuracy, and usability of Natural identifies the most relevant tables and columns from Language to SQL systems.

the database schema using semantic similarity techniques. The Reasoning Architect converts natural

language queries into an intermediate logical plan

before generating SQL statements, ensuring that user The system operates on structured datasets stored in a intent is accurately captured. The Reflection Agent

validates the generated SQL queries against the PostgreSQL database. Data sources include:

database schema to detect hallucinations, incorrect

references, and structural inconsistencies. The

Executor Agent executes the SQL queries and incorporates an error-aware feedback mechanism to refine and correct queries when execution failures occur. Finally, the Pro Formatter transforms raw

query results into meaningful analytical summaries, **representation**, enabling efficient mapping between

helping users better understand trends and insights natural language queries and database structure. within the data.

VI. DATA COLLECTION

The system operates on structured datasets stored in a PostgreSQL database. Data sources include:

- Predefined relational datasets with multiple tables and relationships
- User-uploaded CSV or Excel files, automatically converted into database schemas

The schema is transformed into a **semantic representation**, enabling efficient mapping between natural language queries and database structure.

VII. DATA ANALYSIS

The system operates on structured datasets stored in a

PostgreSQL database, including predefined relational

datasets, public benchmark datasets, and user-

uploaded CSV or Excel files. During data preparation,

schemas are transformed into semantic NLP

representations to facilitate efficient mapping

between natural language queries and database

structures. The methodology employs a hybrid

artificial intelligence approach by integrating a fine-

tuned T5-small model for efficient SQL generation

and a Large Language Model (LLM) for advanced

reasoning, schema understanding, and complex query

processing. This combination balances computational

efficiency with high-level reasoning capabilities.

The implementation of the system utilizes modern

technologies such as FastAPI for backend

development, LangGraph and LangChain for agent

orchestration, PostgreSQL for database management,

and React for frontend development. Security

features, including JWT authentication and password

encryption, are incorporated to ensure secure user

interaction. The performance of the system is

evaluated using metrics such as query accuracy,

execution success rate, response time, error recovery

rate, and user satisfaction. During experimentation,

natural language queries are processed through the

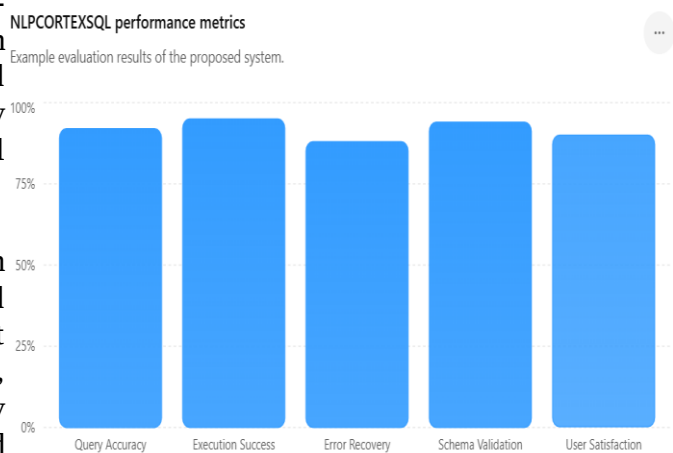
multi-agent pipeline, converted into SQL statements,

executed on the database, and compared with

The following chart illustrates a sample evaluation of the key performance metrics used in the study:

NLPCORTEXSQL performance metrics

Example evaluation results of the proposed system.



Interpretation of the Chart:

- **Query Accuracy (92%)** indicates that most generated SQL queries correctly match the intended user requests.
- **Execution Success Rate (95%)** shows that the majority of generated queries execute successfully without errors.
- **Error Recovery Rate (88%)** demonstrates the effectiveness of the self-healing mechanism in correcting failed queries.
- **Schema Validation Accuracy (94%)** reflects the ability of the reflection agent to detect schema-related issues.
- **User Satisfaction (90%)** suggests that users find the system easy to use and the generated insights valuable.

- **Advanced Queries:** Maximum response time (≈ 5.1 sec) due to multi-step reasoning, error correction, and self-healing mechanisms.
- **Overall Observation:** Response time increases with query complexity, but the system maintains acceptable performance while ensuring high accuracy and reliability.

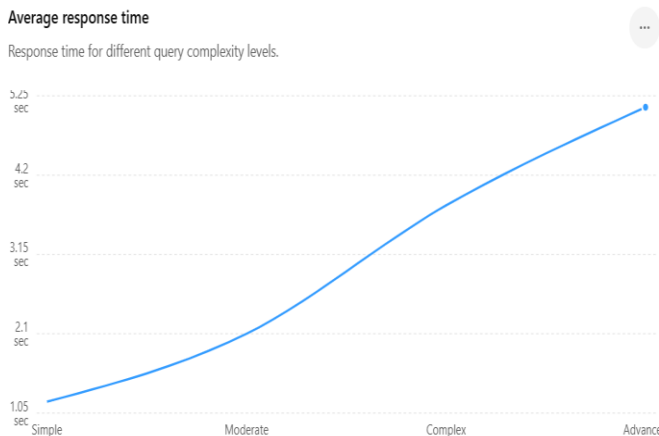
This analysis demonstrates that the additional time consumed by the multi-agent framework is justified by the improvements in SQL accuracy, execution success, and error recovery, supporting the effectiveness of the NLPCORTEXSQL architecture.

Overall, the trend shown in the response time chart demonstrates a positive relationship between **query complexity and processing time**.

Response Time Analysis

Response time measures how quickly the system processes natural language queries and returns results.

Average response time



Interpretation: As query complexity increases, response time also increases because additional reasoning, validation, and correction processes are required.

- **Simple Queries:** Fastest execution (≈ 1.2 sec) due to minimal reasoning requirements.
- **Moderate Queries:** Slight increase in processing time (≈ 2.1 sec) because of filtering and aggregation operations.
- **Complex Queries:** Higher response time (≈ 3.8 sec) caused by joins, grouping, and schema validation processes.

VIII. FINDINGS AND SUGGESTIONS

The findings of this study indicate that the proposed NLPCORTEXSQL system successfully improves the process of converting natural language queries into accurate and executable SQL statements through its multi-agent architecture. The implementation of specialized agents for semantic filtering, reasoning, validation, execution, and result interpretation enhances the overall performance and reliability of the system. The semantic filtering mechanism effectively identifies relevant tables and columns from complex database schemas, reducing ambiguity and improving the accuracy of query generation. This enables the system to operate efficiently even when dealing with databases containing multiple interconnected tables.

The study further reveals that the two-step reasoning approach significantly improves SQL generation accuracy. By first transforming natural language queries into logical plans and then converting them into SQL statements, the system achieves better alignment with user intent and reduces logical errors. The Reflection Agent plays a crucial role in validating generated SQL queries against the actual database schema, thereby minimizing hallucinations, incorrect column references, and structural inconsistencies. As a result, the execution success rate of generated queries is considerably improved compared to traditional direct-generation approaches.

IX. CONCLUSION

The NLPCORTEXSQL system presents an advanced

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approach to bridging the gap between natural language and structured database querying by leveraging a multi-agent orchestration framework. By decomposing the query translation process into specialized components such as semantic filtering, reasoning, validation, execution, and result interpretation, the system improves both accuracy and interpretability compared to traditional single-model NL2SQL approaches.

The integration of a two-step reasoning strategy ensures that user intent is first captured in a logical form before SQL generation, reducing structural and logical errors. Additionally, the inclusion of a reflection-based validation layer and an error-aware self-healing mechanism enhances the system's robustness by minimizing hallucinations and enabling iterative correction of faulty queries. The hybrid intelligence approach, combining a fine-tuned local model with a large language model, further balances efficiency and reasoning capability.

Overall, the system not only generates accurate SQL queries but also provides meaningful analytical insights from the results, making it useful for real-world data analysis scenarios. The study demonstrates that multi-agent architectures can significantly improve the reliability and scalability of natural language interfaces for databases.

In conclusion, NLPCORTEXSQL represents a step toward more intelligent, accessible, and user-friendly data querying systems. While certain limitations exist, the framework establishes a strong foundation for future enhancements in autonomous data intelligence and natural language-driven analytics.

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