Temperature detection from cloud cover

Phase 2: Cloud Coverage Detection

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Project Overview:

This document presents Phase 2 of our comprehensive weather prediction system, focusing on cloud coverage detection using deep learning and computer vision techniques. The system implements a hybrid approach combining CLIP-based feature extraction with CatBoost regression, achieving robust performance in cloud coverage estimation. This phase lays the groundwork for Phase 3, which will implement temperature prediction based on cloud coverage patterns.

Project GitHub Link:

https://github.com/Ayush-mishra-0-0/ai-ml-Project/

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1 Introduction

1.1 Project Context

This project represents Phase 2 of a three-phase implementation:

- Phase 1: SOP Submission
- Phase 2: Cloud Coverage Detection (Current Phase)
- Phase 3: Temperature Prediction from Cloud Coverage prediction, we are getting from phase-2 code (Upcoming)

1.2 Problem Statement

Cloud coverage prediction serves as a crucial intermediate step in our temperature prediction system. This phase focuses on developing accurate cloud coverage estimation using ground-based sky cameras and deep learning techniques.

2 Technical Implementation

2.1 Model Architecture

2.1.1 CLIP-Based Feature Extraction

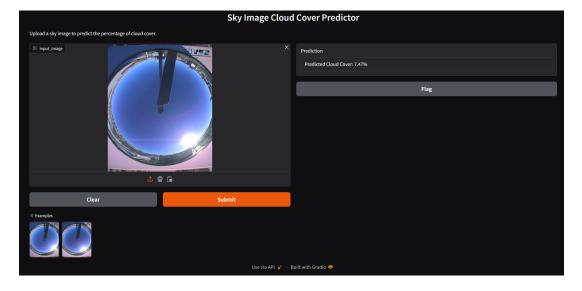


Figure 1: Web Interface for Cloud Coverage Prediction

3 Performance Metrics

Model Performance Results

Train Metrics:

MAE: 3.06 RMSE: 4.52 R2: 0.975

Validation Metrics:

MAE: 5.80 RMSE: 9.62 R2: 0.888

Test Metrics:

MAE: 5.81 RMSE: 9.69 R2: 0.886

3.1 Project Objectives

- Develop an accurate cloud coverage prediction system
- Implement efficient data preprocessing pipeline
- Create memory-optimized model training framework
- Deploy an accessible web interface for predictions

4 Dataset

4.1 Data Sources

The project utilizes two main data components:

- cloud_data_cleaned1.csv: Contains metadata and labels
- Sky camera images dataset: Collection of hemispheric sky images

4.2 Dataset Structure

Column	Type	Description
image_name label opaque_clouds	string	Unique identifier for each image Descriptive cloud coverage label Percentage of cloud coverage

Table 1: Dataset Schema

5 Data Preprocessing

5.1 Image Conversion Pipeline

```
Algorithm 1 Parallel Image Conversion
1: Input: Directory containing RAW images
2: Output: Converted JPEG images
3: for each image in directory do
       {\bf Create\ ThreadPoolExecutor}
       Submit conversion task
5:
       if conversion successful then
6:
          Remove original RAW file
 7:
          Log success
8:
9:
       else
          Log error
10:
       end if
11:
12: end for
```

5.2 Dataset Cleaning

The dataset cleaning process involves:

- Removing invalid image entries
- Standardizing image names
- Validating image-label pairs
- Handling missing values

6 Model Architecture

6.1 CLIP-Based Feature Extraction

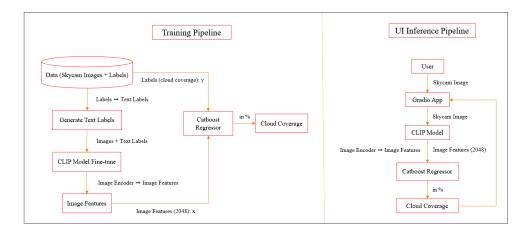


Figure 2: System Architecture Overview

The model consists of three main components:

6.1.1 Image Encoder

```
1 class MemoryEfficientImageEncoder(nn.Module):
2
      def __init__(self, cfg):
3
          super().__init__()
4
          self.model = timm.create_model(
5
              cfg.model_name,
6
              pretrained=cfg.pretrained,
7
              num_classes=0,
8
              global_pool='avg'
9
          )
```

6.1.2 Text Encoder

6.1.3 Projection Head

7 Training Pipeline

7.1 Memory Optimization Techniques

- Gradient checkpointing
- Mixed precision training
- Efficient data loading with sharding
- Memory usage tracking

7.2 Training Configuration

```
class Config:
    model_name = 'resnet50'
image_embedding = 2048
text_embedding = 768
projection_dim = 256
batch_size = 16
epochs = 15
temperature = 1.0
```

7.3 Training Process

Algorithm 2 Training Pipeline

```
1: Initialize model and optimizer
```

- 2: Load and preprocess data
- 3: **for** each epoch **do**
- 4: Train model
- 5: Validate performance
- 6: **if** best performance **then**
- 7: Save checkpoint
- 8: end if
- 9: Update learning rate
- 10: end for

8 CatBoost Model Training

8.1 Feature Engineering

The CatBoost model uses features extracted from:

- CLIP embeddings
- Image statistics
- Temporal information

8.2 Model Configuration

```
params = {
    'iterations': 1000,
    'learning_rate': 0.05,
    'depth': 6,
    'loss_function': 'RMSE'
}
```

8.3 Training and Evaluation

- Cross-validation setup
- Hyperparameter optimization
- Performance metrics monitoring

9 Results and Discussion

9.1 Performance Metrics

Train MAE: 3.063867080191343 Train RMSE: 4.519084504196453 Train MSE: 20.422124756068502 Train R2: 0.9753638347539638

Valid MAE: 5.798734045374874 Valid RMSE: 9.624912586359335 Valid MSE: 92.63894229505833 Valid R2: 0.8879491192051271

Test MAE: 5.812910249786526
Test RMSE: 9.69202086124033

Test MSE: 93.93526837471777 Test R2: 0.886006145423602

Model Performance Metrics

10 Future Work

10.1 Phase 3 Integration

The cloud coverage percentages obtained in this phase will serve as input features for Phase 3's temperature prediction model. Key integration points include:

- Cloud coverage pattern analysis
- Temperature correlation modeling
- Integration with meteorological data
- Enhanced prediction pipeline

11 Conclusion

Phase 2 successfully establishes a robust cloud coverage detection system, achieving an R² score of 0.886 on the test set. This foundation will be crucial for the temperature prediction implementation in Phase 3.