

New Plant Disease Detection

CSML1020 Course Project

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ABSTRACT

This paper will explore the classification of plant images to identify new plant diseases using a machine learning model.

The dataset was obtained from Kaggle and consists of over 87,000 RGB images of healthy and diseased crop leaves labeled by plant and disease type in 38 different classes.

CCS CONCEPTS

• Artificial Intelligence • Machine Learning • Image Classification

1 Introduction

The project is a supervised multi-class image classification analysis to identify plant diseases by the image of their leaves.

The dataset consists of 38 categories of images which are divided into training and validation folders.

2 Existing Work

Plant Disease Classification Using VGG16 https://www.kaggle.com/wiwidsetiawan/plant-disease-classification-using-vgg16	Example of classification using the VGG16 pre trained model
ImageNet: A Large-Scale Hierarchical Image Database, 2009. https://ieeexplore.ieee.org/document/5206848	ImageNet database documentation
Fork of Plant Diseases Classification Using inception3 https://www.kaggle.com/vimaladit/fork-of-plant-diseases-classification-using-inception3	Example of classification using the Inception Version 3 pre trained model

Plant Diseases Classification Using AlexNet https://www.kaggle.com/vipooooool/plant-diseases-classification-using-alexnet	Example classification using the AlexNet pre trained model
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3 Methodology

3.1 Data Preparation

The dataset was downloaded from the Kaggle website:
<https://www.kaggle.com/vipooooool/new-plant-diseases-dataset>

The image dataset was well prepared and did not require any modification.

The images were divided into training and validation folders: 70295 training images and 17572 validation images.

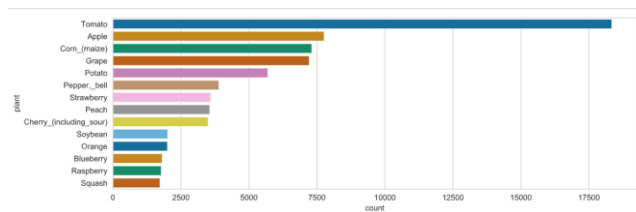
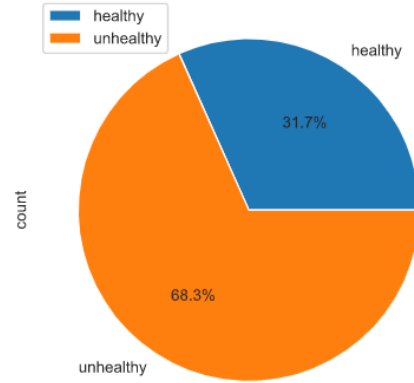
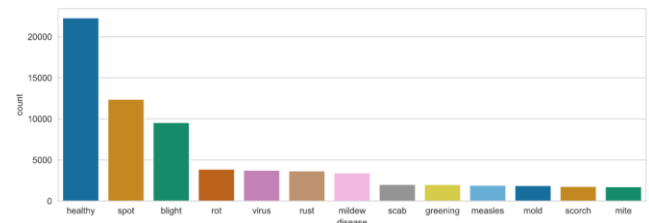
The folder names were parsed to obtain some data exploration information.

Table 1: Dataset Parsed from Category Folder Names

	plant	condition	count	status	disease
0	Tomato	Target_Spot	50	unhealthy	spot
1	Tomato	Early_blight	50	unhealthy	blight
2	Apple	healthy	50	healthy	healthy
3	Tomato	healthy	50	healthy	healthy
4	Blueberry	healthy	50	healthy	healthy
5	Grape	healthy	50	healthy	healthy
6	Peach	healthy	50	healthy	healthy
7	Cherry_(including_sour)	Powdery_mildew	50	unhealthy	mildew
8	Tomato	Leaf_Mold	50	unhealthy	mold
9	Apple	Black_rot	50	unhealthy	rot
10	Squash	Powdery_mildew	50	unhealthy	mildew
11	Corn_(maize)	Northern_Leaf_Blight	50	unhealthy	blight
12	Strawberry	Leaf_scorch	50	unhealthy	scorch
13	Pepper_bell	healthy	50	healthy	healthy
14	Orange	Haunglongbing_(Citrus_greening)	50	unhealthy	greening
15	Potato	Late_blight	50	unhealthy	blight
16	Tomato	Late_blight	50	unhealthy	blight
17	Strawberry	healthy	50	healthy	healthy
18	Tomato	Tomato_Yellow_Leaf_Curl_Virus	50	unhealthy	virus
19	Corn_(maize)	Common_rust	50	unhealthy	rust
20	Raspberry	healthy	50	healthy	healthy
21	Tomato	Tomato_mosaic_virus	50	unhealthy	virus
22	Pepper_bell	Bacterial_spot	50	unhealthy	spot
23	Cherry_(including_sour)	healthy	50	healthy	healthy
24	Tomato	Septoria_leaf_spot	50	unhealthy	spot
25	Peach	Bacterial_spot	50	unhealthy	spot
26	Apple	Cedar_apple_rust	50	unhealthy	rust
27	Tomato	Bacterial_spot	50	unhealthy	spot
28	Grape	Esca_(Black_Measles)	50	unhealthy	measles
29	Grape	Leaf_blight_(Isariopsis_Leaf_Spot)	50	unhealthy	spot
30	Corn_(maize)	Cercospora_leaf_spot_Gray_leaf_spot	50	unhealthy	spot
31	Apple	Apple_scab	50	unhealthy	scab
32	Grape	Black_rot	50	unhealthy	rot
33	Potato	healthy	50	healthy	healthy
34	Corn_(maize)	healthy	50	healthy	healthy
35	Potato	Early_blight	50	unhealthy	blight
36	Soybean	healthy	50	healthy	healthy
37	Tomato	Spider_mites_Two-spotted_spider_mite	50	unhealthy	mite

3.2 Data Exploration

The dataset consists of images of plant leaves in various conditions. The following graphs show the distribution of this data.

**Figure 1: Number of images by plant****Figure 2: Relative image percentages by health status****Figure 3: Number of images by disease**

3.3 Data Preprocessing

The following data preprocessing methods will be evaluated to determine the best data augmentation for our input layer:

- Random Shear
- Random Brightness
- Random Zoom

The following methods were omitted because the dataset was already pre-processed with those methods:

- Random Horizontal Shift
- Random Vertical Shift
- Random Horizontal Flip
- Random Vertical Flip

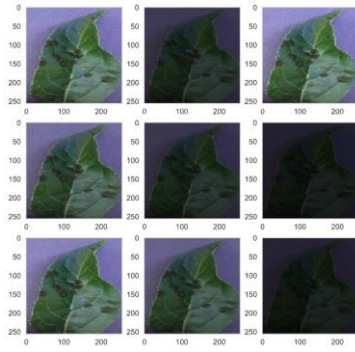


Figure 4: Data Augmentation Visualization for Random Brightness

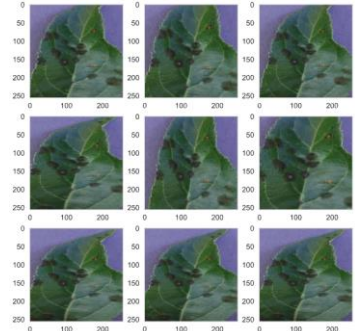


Figure 5: Data Augmentation Visualization for Random Zoom

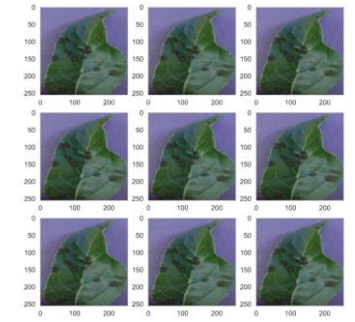


Figure 6: Data Augmentation Visualization for Random Shear

Table 2: Preprocessing Results Based on Baseline VGG16 Model with Transfer Learning

Pre-Processing Steps	Validation Accuracy
0 rescale=1./255	0.91
1 rescale=1./255, shear_range=0.2	0.94
2 rescale=1./255, zoom_range=0.2	0.92
3 rescale=1./255, shear_range=0.2, zoom_range=0.2	0.92
4 rescale=1./255, shear_range=0.2, zoom_range=0.2, brightness_range=[0.2,1.0]	0.90

3.4 Data Augmentation Methods Selected

The results obtained for the preprocessing indicate that the shear range method gave the best results and will be used going forward.

Table 3: Data Augmentation Method Selected

Pre-Processing Steps	Validation Accuracy
1 rescale=1./255, shear_range=0.2	0.94

3.5 Model Training, Evaluation & Selection

The authors will be evaluating custom defined models, several pre-trained models with transfer learning as well as evaluating the results of tuning the hyper-parameters using the GridSearch function.

3.5.1 Custom Defined Models

All models in this paper are based on the convolutional neural network architecture.

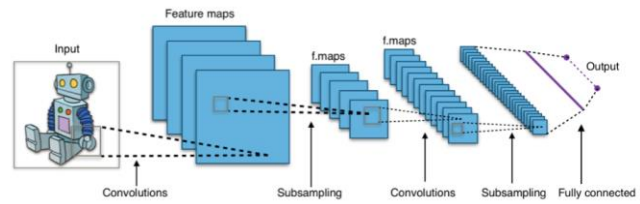


Figure 7: Typical Convolutional Neural Network

3.5.1.1 Custom Defined Model A

The first iteration of the custom defined model has a convolution layer, max pooling layer, batch normalization layer and a flatten layer.

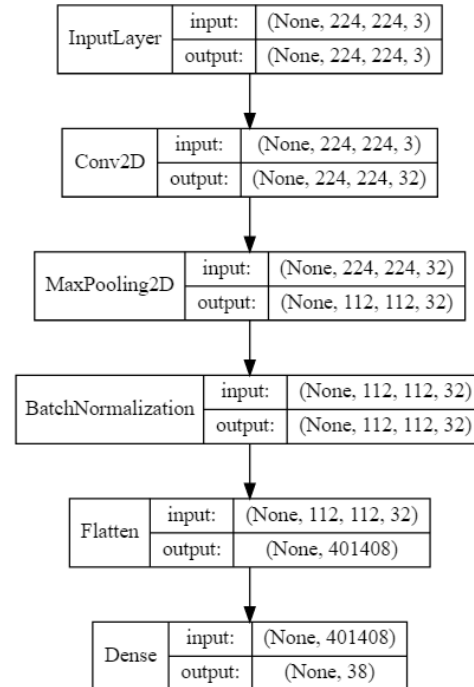


Figure 8: Custom Defined Model A

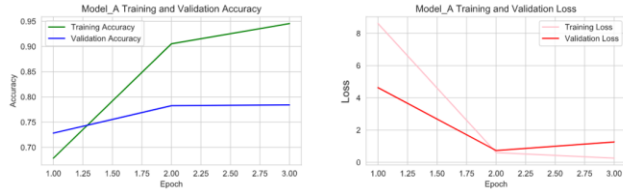


Figure 9: Training/Validation Accuracy and Loss for Model A

3.5.1.2 Custom Defined Model B

The second model tested added a dropout layer and batch normalization before the output layer.

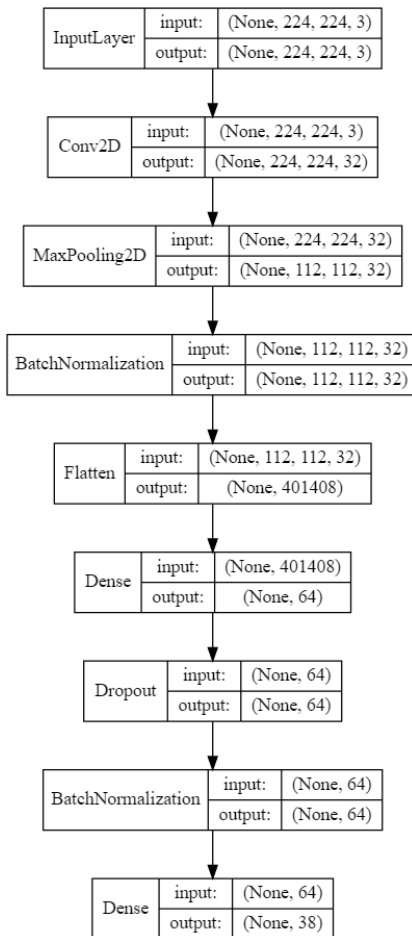


Figure 10: Custom Defined Model B

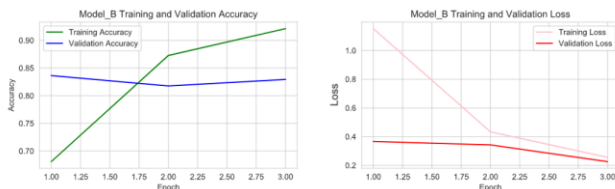


Figure 11: Training/Validation Accuracy and Loss for Model B

3.5.1.3 Custom Defined Model C

The third model trialed saw two additional convolutional layers, with max pooling and batch normalization.

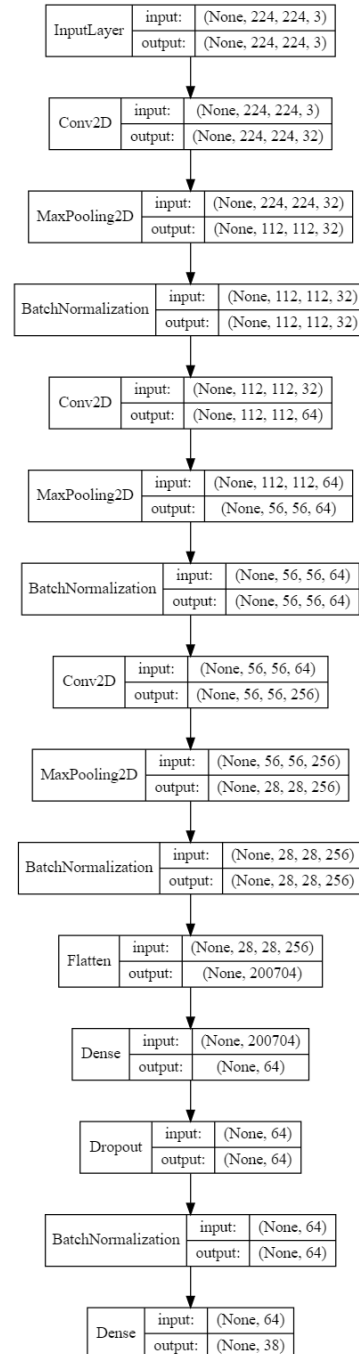


Figure 12: Custom Defined Model C

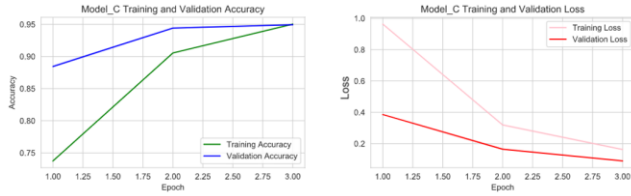


Figure 13: Training/Validation Accuracy and Loss for Model C

3.5.1.4 Custom Defined Model D

For the fourth and final custom defined model, a dense layer, dropout layer and a batch normalization layer were added between the second and third convolutional layers.

For the fourth and final iteration of the custom defined model, a dropout layer was added.

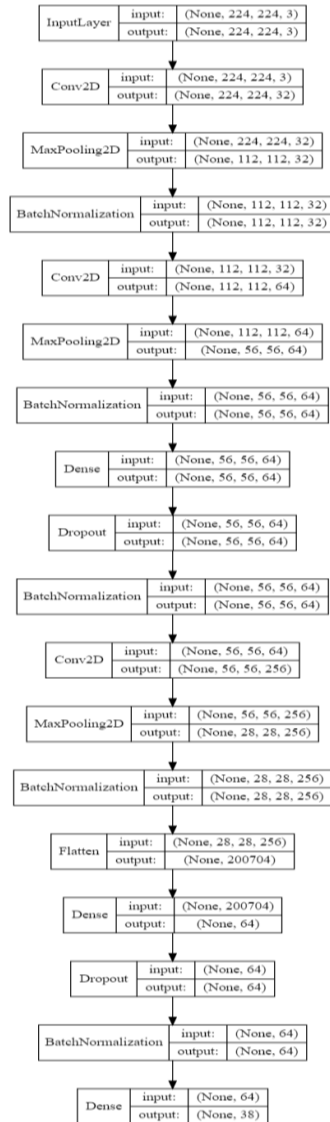


Figure 14: Custom Defined Model D

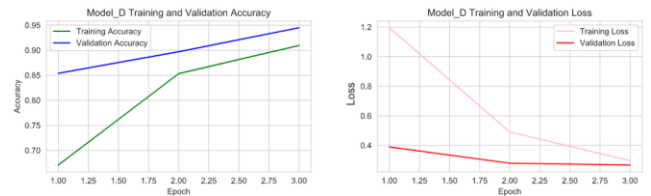


Figure 15: Training/Validation Accuracy and Loss for Model D

3.5.1.5 Custom Defined Model Results Summary

	Classifier	Accuracy	Loss	Validation Accuracy	Validation Loss
0	Model_A	0.95	0.26	0.78	1.27
1	Model_B	0.92	0.26	0.83	0.23
2	Model_C	0.95	0.16	0.95	0.09
3	Model_D	0.91	0.30	0.94	0.27

The Model_C iteration gave the best accuracy for the custom defined classifiers and will be used for further evaluation.

3.5.2 Benchmarks for Pre-Trained Models with Transfer Learning

The accuracy and loss were evaluated for each of the four base pre-trained models: VGG16; ResNet50; InceptionV3; Alexnet .

3.5.2.1 VGG16 Base Model with Transfer Learning

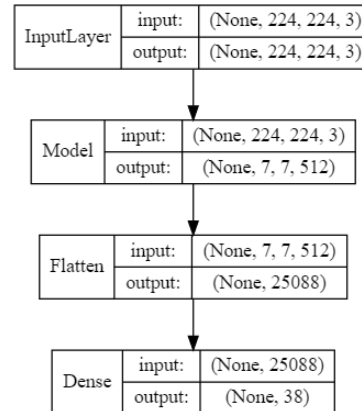


Figure 16: VGG16 Base Model with Transfer Learning

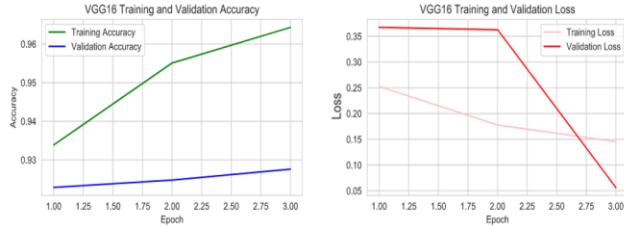


Figure 17: Training/Validation Accuracy and Loss for VGG16 Base Model

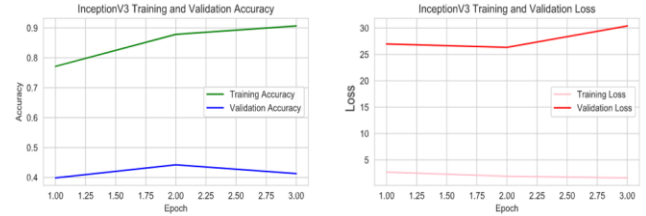


Figure 21: Training/Validation Accuracy and Loss for InceptionV3 Base Model

3.5.2.2 ResNet50 Base Model with Transfer Learning

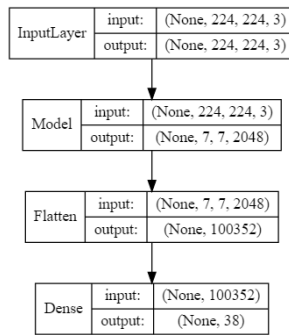


Figure 18: ResNet50 Base Model with Transfer Learning

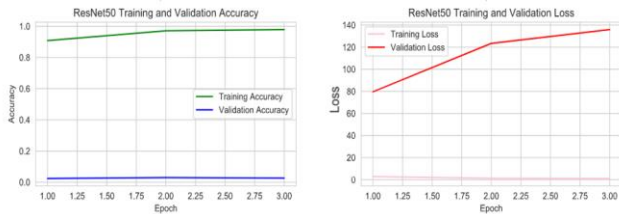


Figure 19: Training/Validation Accuracy and Loss for ResNet50 Base Model

3.5.2.3 InceptionV3 Base Model with Transfer Learning

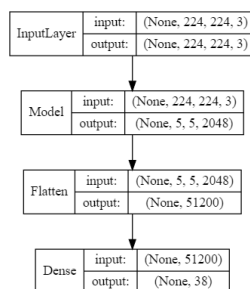


Figure 20: InceptionV3 Base Model with Transfer Learning

3.5.2.4 Alexnet Base Model with Transfer Learning

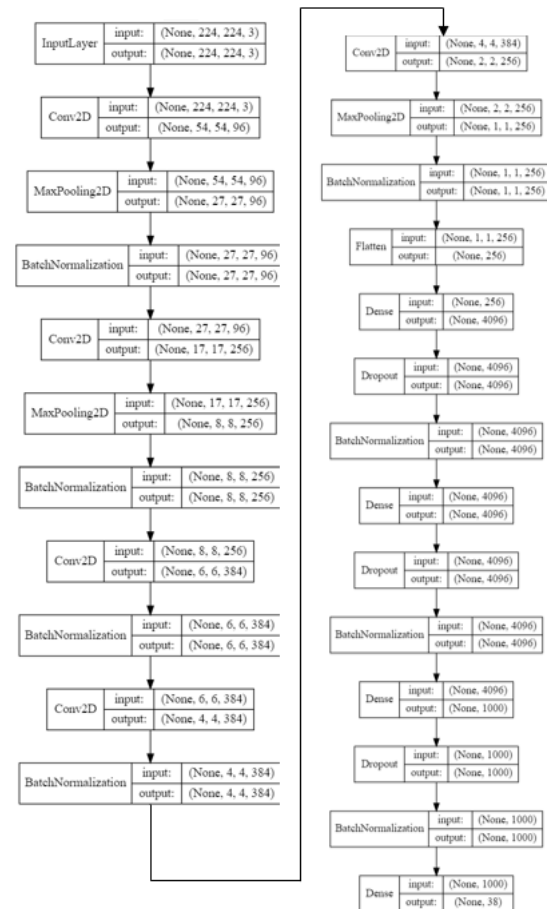


Figure 22: AlexNet Base Model with Transfer Learning

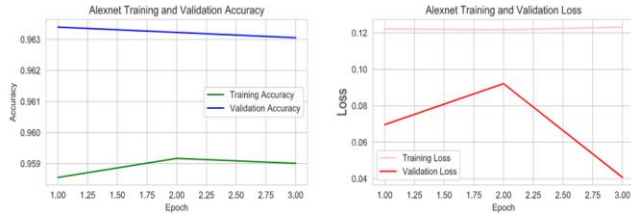


Figure 23: Training/Validation Accuracy and Loss for AlexNet Base Model

3.5.2.5 Pre-Trained Model Results Summary

	Classifier	Accuracy	Loss	Validation Accuracy	Validation Loss
0	VGG16	0.96	0.15	0.93	0.06
1	ResNet50	0.98	1.06	0.03	135.88
2	InceptionV3	0.91	1.60	0.41	30.40
3	Alexnet	0.96	0.12	0.96	0.04

VGG16 and Alexnet gave the best validation accuracy and will be used along with Custom Defined Model_C in moving forward with our evaluation.

3.5.3 Hyperparameter Tuning

The hyperparameters were tuned using the GridSearch function with the following parameter ranges:

- Learning Rate: 0.01, 0.001, 0.0001
- Number of epochs: 3, 5, 10
- Batch size: 32, 48, 64
- Activation: “softmax”

The GridSearch produced the following results:

Table 4: Best Hyperparameters

Model	Learning_Rate	Epochs	Batch Size	Activation
VGG16	0.001	5	64	softmax
Model_C	0.001	5	48	softmax
AlexNet	0.01	3	32	softmax

3.5.3.1 VGG16 Model Using Best Hyperparameters

The VGG16 pretrained model using the best found hyperparameters using gridsearch gave the following results, shown in the graph below.

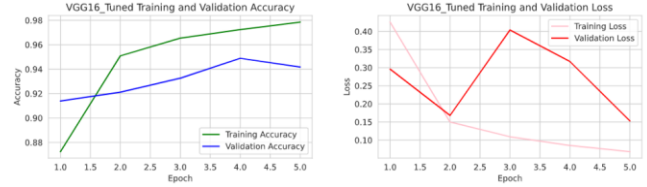


Figure 24: Training/Validation Accuracy and Loss for Tuned VGG16 Model

3.5.3.2 Custom Defined Model_C Using Best Hyperparameters

The custom defined model “C” with the best found hyperparameters using gridsearch gave the following results, shown in the graph below.

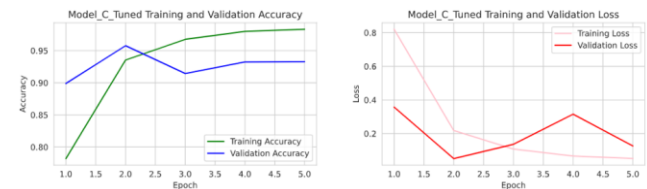


Figure 25: Training/Validation Accuracy and Loss for Tuned Custom Defined Model C

3.5.3.3 AlexNet Model Using Best Hyperparameters

The AlexNet pretrained model using the best found hyperparameters using gridsearch gave the following results, shown in the graph below.

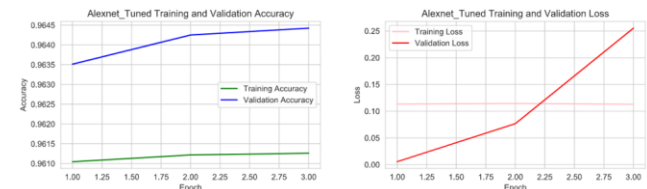


Figure 26: Training/Validation Accuracy and Loss for Tuned AlexNet Model

3.5.3.4 Hyperparameter Tuning Benchmarks

	Classifier	Accuracy	Loss	Validation Accuracy	Validation Loss
0	VGG16_Tuned	0.98	0.07	0.94	0.15
1	Model_C_Tuned	0.98	0.05	0.93	0.13
2	AlexNet_Tuned	0.96	0.11	0.96	0.26

3.5.4 Summary of Benchmark Results for All Models

	Classifier	Training Accuracy	Training Loss	Validation Accuracy	Validation Loss
1	Model_A	0.95	0.26	0.78	1.27
2	Model_B	0.92	0.26	0.83	0.23
3	Model_C	0.95	0.16	0.95	0.09
4	Model_D	0.91	0.30	0.94	0.27
5	VGG16	0.96	0.15	0.93	0.06
6	ResNet50	0.98	1.06	0.03	135.88
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8	AlexNet	0.96	0.12	0.96	0.04
9	VGG16_Tuned	0.98	0.07	0.94	0.15
10	Model_C_Tuned	0.98	0.05	0.93	0.13
11	AlexNet_Tuned	0.96	0.11	0.96	0.26

3.5.5 Models Selected

The following two models produced the best validation accuracy and are the selected models.

	Classifier	Training Accuracy	Training Loss	Validation Accuracy	Validation Loss
3	Model_C	0.95	0.16	0.95	0.09
8	AlexNet	0.96	0.12	0.96	0.04

3.5.6 Example Prediction



Figure 27: Example Class Prediction Using Model C

4 Next Steps

The following will be considered for next steps:

- Ensemble model evaluation
- Deploying a detection application with one of the selected models
- Spark scaling to speed up the processing

5 Conclusion

The paper succeeded in producing two models that performed reasonably well for predictive analysis goals. Further study may be conducted in the future to attempt to further optimize the results.

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