

PROJECT REPORT

1. INTRODUCTION:

a. Project Overview:

According to the World Health Organization (WHO), cardiovascular diseases (CVDs) are the number one cause of death today. Over 17.7 million people died from CVDs in the year 2017 all over the world which is about 31% of all deaths, and over 75% of these deaths occur in low and middle-income countries. Arrhythmia is a representative type of CVD that refers to any irregular change from the normal heart rhythms. There are several types of arrhythmias including atrial fibrillation, premature contraction, ventricular fibrillation, and tachycardia. Although a single arrhythmia heartbeat may not have a serious impact on life, continuous arrhythmia beats can result in fatal circumstances. In this project, we build an effective electrocardiogram (ECG) arrhythmia classification method using a convolutional neural network (CNN), in which we classify ECG into seven categories, one being normal and the other six being different types of arrhythmias using deep two-dimensional CNN with grayscale ECG images. We are creating a web application where the user selects the image which is to be classified. The image is fed into the model that is trained and the cited class will be displayed on the webpage.

b. Purpose:

In this project, we intend to develop a web interface that is capable of predicting the type of Arrhythmia, that a person is diagnosed with, based on the ECG image given to the interface by the user. This project will be useful for people who are at high-risks of getting diagnosed with heart ailments, and by using this application, they might be able to undertake necessary preventive measures to tackle the ailment at the earliest. We have made the interface as smooth and as user-friendly as possible, and we have removed several bloatware that take up space and hinder the performance. For the prediction, we are using a custom Convolutional Neural Network Model with 2 million trainable parameters, that yields an accuracy of over 98%.

2. LITERATURE SURVEY

a. Existing Problem:

In the existing methods proposed for Arrhythmia classification the techniques used for ECG denoising, Feature Extraction and Classification can be improved. ECG pre-processing methods are not discussed in detailed fashion, in some papers. The variability of other ECG waves, such as P waves, and T waves could be studied based on the proposed feature extraction algorithm to further improve the performance of the whole system. Also, in a few papers, Support-Vector - Machine algorithm is used, which is inefficient when compared to Artificial Neural Networks. In summary, the techniques discussed in the existing methods are quite outdated.

b. References:

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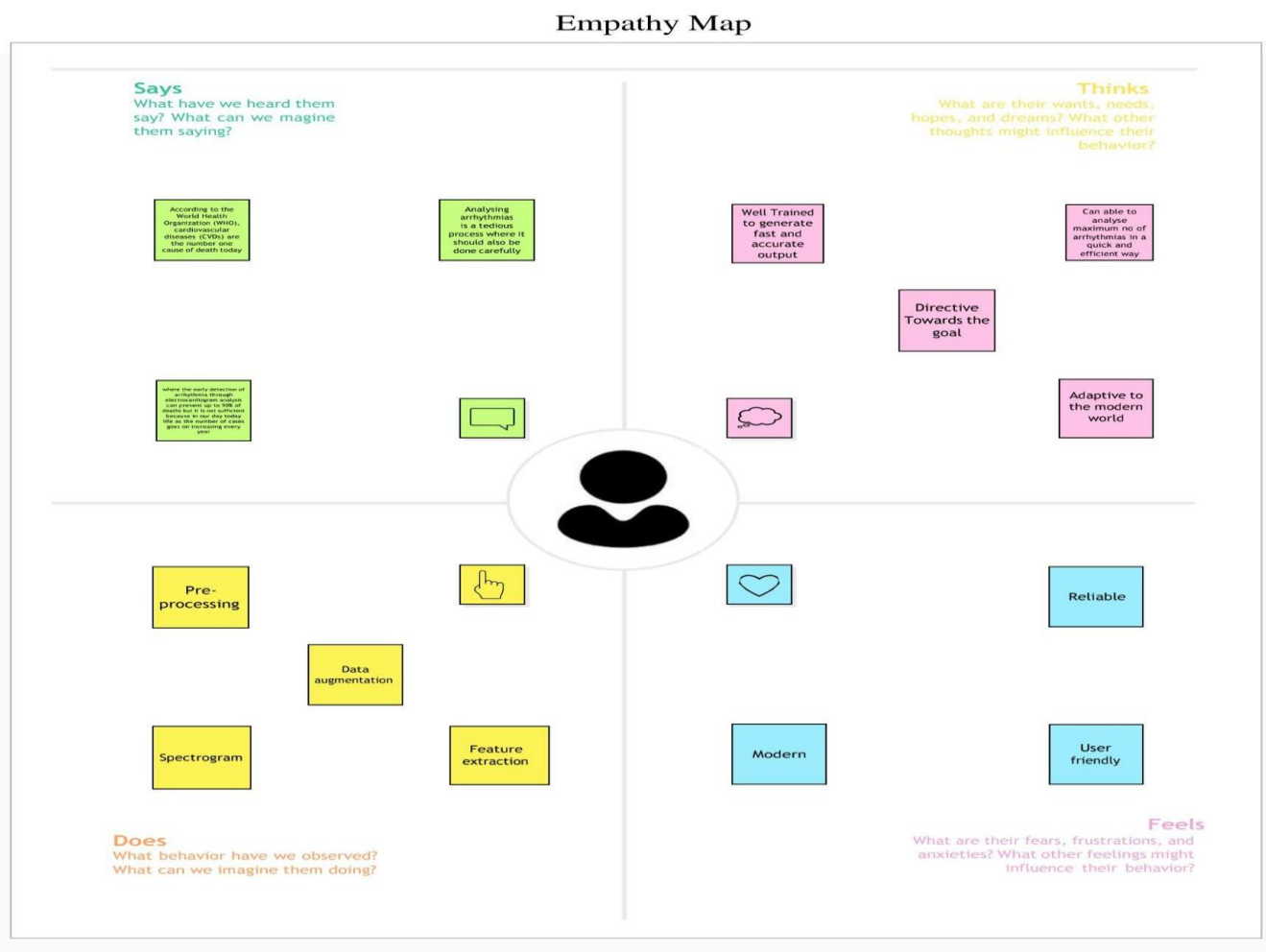
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c. Problem Statement Definition:

In this project, an effective electrocardiogram (ECG) arrhythmia classification method using a convolutional neural network (CNN) needs to be built, in which ECG images are to be classified into seven categories, one being normal and the other six being different types of arrhythmias using deep two-dimensional CNN with grayscale ECG images. Later, a web application is created, where the user selects the image which is to be classified. The image is fed into the model that is trained and the cited class should be displayed on the webpage.

3. IDEATION AND PROPOSED SOLUTION:

a. Empathy Map Canvas



b. Ideation and Brainstorming

c. Proposed Solution

1. Problem Statement (Problem to be solved):

To create a Deep Learning Model that classifies various types of Arrhythmia with 2-dimensional ECG Spectral Image representation.

2. Idea / Solution Description

In the pre-processing phase - the electromyographic noise present in the ECG signals are removed using wavelet based thresholding technique. Next the ECG signal is transformed into a 2-D representation using a 2D CNN Model. In order to perform this transformation, an efficient CNN model is implemented after analysing various architectures. The core idea is to make this CNN model classify different kinds of arrhythmia such as LBB, PVC, RBB etc.

3. Novelty / Uniqueness

We will attempt to create an API that is capable of handling inputs and producing the corresponding Arrhythmia class for the given ECG signal. This API will help to simulate an interactive user environment for gaining a seamless experience.

4. Social Impact / Customer Satisfaction:

The major stakeholders of this project are the individuals aged more than 50. By getting to know about irregularities in the ECG signals of heartbeats, customers can greatly benefit from early diagnosis of heart ailments.

5. Business model / Revenue Model:

There isn't a single application out there in the market that performs detection of

Arrhythmia. By integrating our novel product with a smart wearable, we can launch a new series of health tracking smart devices.

6. Scalability of the solution:

By pitching our idea to Angel Investors and Venture Captialists, we can extend this idea into a reality by launching a fully-fledged startup that markets this product.

d. Problem Solution Fit:

Project Design Phase-I - Solution Fit

Project Title: Classification Of Arrhythmia By Using Deep Learning With 2-D ECG Spectral Image Representation

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Define CS, fit into CC	1. CUSTOMER SEGMENT(S) CS Who is your customer? i.e. working parents of 0-5 y.o. kids It will be useful to the doctor who specializes in heart issues, including arrhythmia, and conduct a variety of diagnostic tests to determine if you have an arrhythmia,	6. CUSTOMER CONSTRAINTS CC What constraints prevent your customers from taking action or limit their choices of solutions? i.e. spending power, budget, no cash, network connection, available devices The most effective way to diagnose an arrhythmia is with an electrical recording of your heart rhythm called an electrocardiogram (ECG). By using 2d images and other deep learning arrhythmia is detected with the help of echo cardiogram	5. AVAILABLE SOLUTIONS AS Which solutions are available to the customers when they face the or need to get the job done? What have they tried in the past? What pros & cons do these solutions have? i.e. pen and paper is an alternative to digital notetaking Treatment for heart arrhythmias may include medications, therapies such as vagal maneuvers, cardioversion, catheter procedures or heart surgery	Explore AS, differentiate
	2. JOBS-TO-BE-DONE / PROBLEMS J&P Which jobs-to-be-done (or problems) do you address for your customers? There could be more than one, explore different sides. Arrhythmias require emergency care...they can damage your heart or brain, or even cause death. if left untreated.	9. PROBLEM ROOT CAUSE RC What is the real reason that this problem exists? What is the back story behind the need to do this job? i.e. customers have to do it because of the change in regulations. Behind this problem there are many causes like Blocked arteries in the heart .Changes to the heart's structure, such as from cardiomyopathy, Diabetes, High blood pressure. Infection with COVID-19. Overactive thyroid gland (hyperthyroidism).	7. BEHAVIOUR BE What does your customer do to address the problem and get the job, i.e. directly related: find the right solar panel installer, calculate usage and benefits; indirectly associated: customers spend free time on volunteering work (i.e. Greenpeace) The customer just need to visit our web application and selects the image which is to be classified. The image is fed into the model that is trained and the cited class will be displayed on the webpage.	
Identify strong T&E M	Many times, arrhythmias are not life threatening and can be caused by stress, caffeine or other factors. But when accompanied by other symptoms, such as feeling faint, dizzy or short of breath, it could be a sign of a more serious problem. hence the hospitals having the appropriate technology can help reduce the risk of death rate and diagonize properly	We will do an effective electrocardiogram (ECG) arrhythmia classification method using a deep two-dimensional convolutional neural network (CNN) which recently shows outstanding performance in the field of pattern recognition. Every ECG beat was transformed into a two dimensional grayscale image as an input data for the CNN classifier. Optimization of the proposed CNN classifier includes various deep learning techniques such as batch normalization, data augmentation, Xavier initialization, and dropout. In addition, we compared our proposed classifier with two well known CNN models; AlexNet and VGGNet. To precisely validate our CNN classifier, 10-fold cross-validation was performed at the evaluation which involves every ECG recording as a test data.	In online the customer just need to visit our web application and selects the image which is to be classified. The image is fed into the model that is trained and the cited class will be displayed on the webpage. 8.1 OFFLINE What kind of actions do customers take offline? Extract offline channels from #7 and use them for customer development. In offline the customer only needs to get the photo of the arrhythmias which then can be processed online to get the desired output.	Extract online & ofline CH of BE
	4. EMOTIONS: BEFORE / AFTER E How do customers feel when they face a problem or a job and afterwards? i.e. lost, insecure > confident, in control - use it in your communication strategy & design. A person may feel dizzy, faint, and light headness. If not treated the fibrillation on time can damage the heart, brain, or other organs. This can lead to life-threatening stroke, heart failure, or cardiac arrest.			

4. REQUIREMENT ANALYSIS

a. Functional Requirement:

Following are the functional requirements of the proposed solution.

FR No.	Functional Requirement (Epic)	Sub Requirement (Story / Sub-Task)
FR-1	User Registration	Registration through Form Registration through Gmail Registration through LinkedIN
FR-2	User Confirmation	Confirmation via Email Confirmation via OTP
FR-3	User selection	Knowledge about ECG images select the image to be classified
FR-4	User input	Images need to be uploaded
FR-5	Save image	Images are saved in uploaded folder
FR-6	Predict ECG image	User ECG images in our web application Collection of data sets Database read ECG images

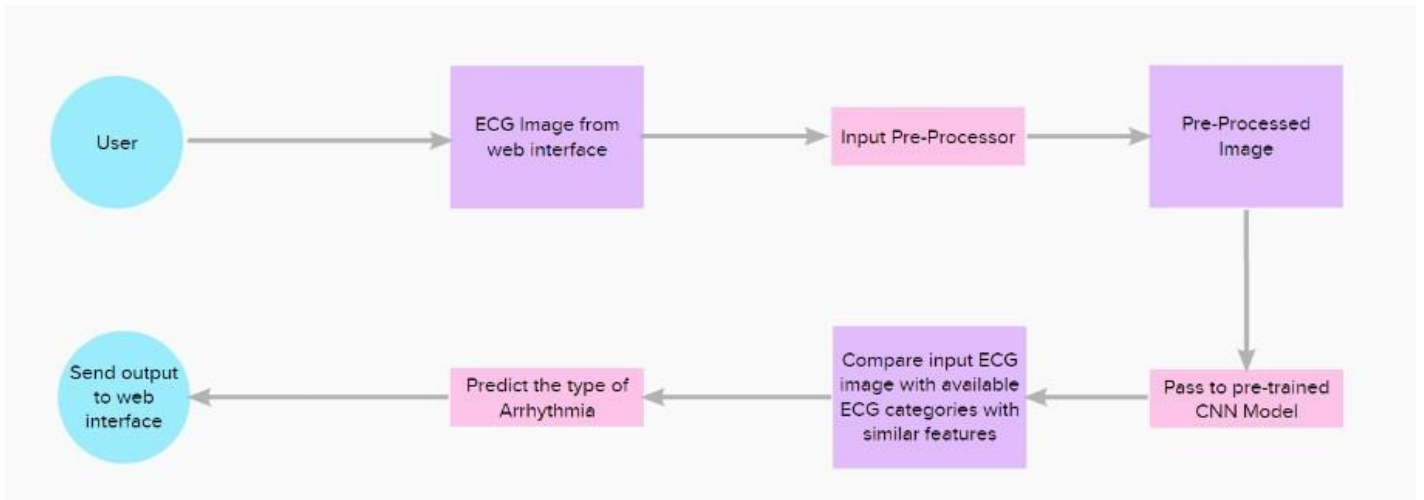
b. Non-Functional Requirement:

Following are the non-functional requirements of the proposed solution.

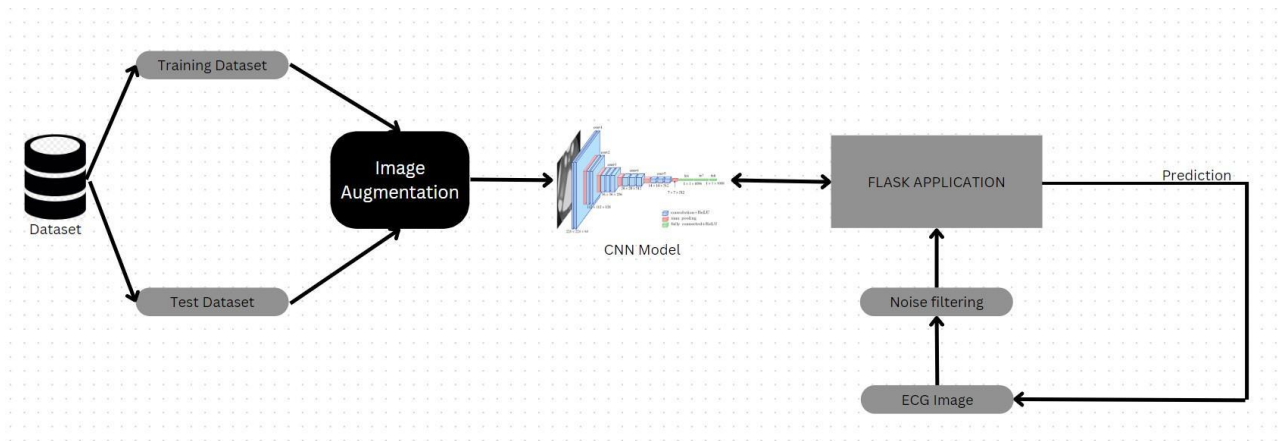
FR No.	Non-Functional Requirement	Description
NFR-1	Usability	A user friendly and simple UI Web application. Easy drag and drop options
NFR-2	Security	No third-party web and UI is used for prediction of data Details about user interaction with the web application are protected
NFR-3	Reliability	Higher accuracy rate Defect free
NFR-4	Performance	Fast and quick classification of the required class is done
NFR-5	Availability	Availability describes how likely the system is accessible to a user at a given point in time and the periodically for a solution.
NFR-6	Scalability	The ability of the user problem in arrhythmia disease to handle an increase in workload without performance degradation

5. PROJECT DESIGN

a. Data Flow Diagrams:



b. Solution and Technical Architecture:



c. User Stories:

User Type	Functional Requirement (Epic)	User Story Number	User Story / Task	Acceptance criteria	Priority	Release
Patient/Doctor (Web User)	Web interface	USN-1	As a user, I can access the web interface	I can login to my account	High	Sprint-1
Patient/Doctor (Web User)	Dashboard	USN-2	As a user, I can access the dashboard/homepage	I can view the homepage	High	Sprint-1
Patient/Doctor (Web User)	Types of Arrhythmias	USN-3	As a user, I can view various articles about different kinds of Arrhythmia	I can view the articles	Low	Sprint-1
Patient/Doctor (Web User)	Page Navigation	USN-4	As a user, I can access several tabs and pages on the interface	I can view different pages and navigate	Medium	Sprint-2
Patient/Doctor (Web User)	Info and About Page	USN-5	As a user, I can see the info and about page for the web interface	I can view the info and about page	Medium	Sprint-2
Patient/Doctor (Web User)	Page to send input	USN-6	As a user, I can see an option to upload input image of ECG	I can view the input page	High	Sprint-3
Patient/Doctor (Web User)	Prediction result page	USN-7	As a user, I can see the predicted result for the given ECG image	I can view the prediction	High	Sprint-3
Patient/Doctor (Web User)	Type of Arrhythmia	USN-8	As a user, I can see the type of Arrhythmia	I can view the type of Arrhythmia page	High	Sprint-3
Patient/Doctor (Web User)	Side-effects page	USN-9	As a user, I can see the various side effects of the predicted Arrhythmia	I can view the side effects page	Low	Sprint-4
Patient/Doctor (Web User)	Prediction history page	USN-10	As a user, I can see the various predictions done in the past	I can view the prediction history page	Medium	Sprint-4
Patient/Doctor (Web User)	Type of CVD page	USN-11	As a user, I can see the predicted type of CVD based on predicted arrhythmia	I can view the type of CVD page	High	Sprint-4
Administrator	Performance metrics	USN-12	As an administrator, I can see the number of people who are using the developed interface	I can view the performance metrics	Medium	Sprint-4