

Cassava Leaf Disease Detection Model

A Comparative Study of Deep Learning and Classical Machine Learning Approaches

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Abstract

Cassava is a vital staple crop for millions worldwide, providing essential calories and economic value. However, cassava leaf diseases significantly threaten crop yields and food security. This project focuses on developing machine learning models to automatically classify five common cassava leaf conditions, aiming to support timely and accurate disease diagnosis to improve crop management. We compare deep learning approaches using EfficientNet-B3 Convolutional Neural Networks with classical machine learning methods employing hand-crafted features and ensemble classifiers. Our results demonstrate that the deep learning approach achieves superior performance with 75.35% validation accuracy compared to 58.73% for classical methods, highlighting the effectiveness of automated feature learning for complex agricultural disease classification tasks.

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1 Introduction

Cassava (*Manihot esculenta*) serves as a critical food security crop across tropical and subtropical regions, particularly in sub-Saharan Africa, where it provides essential carbohydrates for over 500 million people. The crop's resilience to drought and ability to grow in marginal soils make it invaluable for smallholder farmers. However, cassava production faces significant challenges from various leaf diseases that can reduce yields by up to 80%, directly impacting farmer incomes and regional food security.

1.1 Problem Background

Traditional disease identification in cassava cultivation relies heavily on manual inspection by agricultural extension officers or experienced farmers. This approach presents several critical limitations:

- **Time-consuming:** Manual field surveys require significant labor and time, delaying intervention
- **Error-prone:** Visual similarity between disease symptoms leads to misdiagnosis
- **Expertise dependency:** Accurate identification requires specialized knowledge not always available to smallholder farmers
- **Scale limitations:** Manual methods cannot efficiently monitor large agricultural areas

These challenges necessitate the development of automated, accurate disease detection systems that can provide timely diagnoses to support effective crop management decisions.

1.2 Project Objectives

This research pursues three primary objectives:

1. To develop an intelligent system capable of classifying cassava leaf diseases from digital images
2. To compare the performance of deep learning and classical machine learning approaches for this agricultural classification task
3. To evaluate model performance using comprehensive metrics including overall accuracy, per-class performance, and confusion matrix analysis

The successful implementation of such a system could enable mobile-based diagnostic tools, smart agriculture systems, and decision support platforms for farmers and agricultural extension services.

2 Dataset Overview

2.1 Dataset Composition

The study utilized a comprehensive dataset comprising 11,397 labeled images of cassava leaves, distributed across five classes representing common disease conditions and healthy plants. Table 1 presents the detailed distribution.

Table 1: Dataset Class Distribution

Class	Number of Images	Percentage (%)
Cassava Bacterial Blight	1,087	9.5%
Cassava Brown Streak Disease	2,189	19.2%
Cassava Green Mottle	2,386	20.9%
Cassava Mosaic Disease	3,158	27.7%
Healthy	2,577	22.6%
Total	11,397	100%

2.2 Class Imbalance Analysis

The dataset exhibits significant class imbalance, with Cassava Mosaic Disease representing the majority class (3,158 samples) and Cassava Bacterial Blight as the minority class (1,087 samples). This represents an approximately 2.9:1 ratio between the largest and smallest classes.

This imbalance poses several challenges for model training:

- **Bias toward majority classes:** Models may develop a tendency to predict the more frequent Mosaic Disease class
- **Poor minority class performance:** The Bacterial Blight class, with fewer training examples, may be underrepresented in learned features
- **Evaluation complexity:** Overall accuracy metrics may be misleading, necessitating per-class performance analysis

The validation set maintained proportional class distribution to ensure representative testing conditions.



Figure 1: Class Distribution Analysis showing actual sample counts, percentage distribution, actual vs predicted distribution, and correct vs incorrect predictions

3 Methodology

3.1 Data Preprocessing

Consistent data preprocessing was applied to ensure model robustness and generalization capability:

3.1.1 Image Normalization

All images were resized to a standardized input dimension appropriate for each model architecture. Pixel values were normalized to the range [0, 1] to facilitate stable gradient descent during training.

3.1.2 Dataset Partitioning

The complete dataset was split into two subsets:

- **Training Set:** Used for model parameter optimization and learning disease patterns

- **Validation Set:** Reserved for unbiased performance evaluation and hyperparameter tuning

3.1.3 Data Augmentation (Deep Learning Only)

To address class imbalance and improve model generalization, the following augmentation techniques were applied to the deep learning training pipeline:

- **Geometric transformations:** Random rotations and horizontal/vertical flips to simulate different leaf orientations
- **Photometric variations:** Brightness and contrast adjustments to account for varying lighting conditions in field photography
- **Scaling variations:** Random zoom to simulate different camera distances

These augmentations help the model learn invariant features robust to real-world imaging conditions.

3.2 Model Architectures

Two fundamentally different approaches were implemented and compared:

3.2.1 Deep Learning Approach: EfficientNet-B3

Architecture Overview

The deep learning model employs EfficientNet-B3, a state-of-the-art Convolutional Neural Network architecture that achieves exceptional performance through:

- **Compound scaling:** Balanced scaling of network depth, width, and resolution
- **Transfer learning:** Utilization of weights pre-trained on ImageNet for feature extraction
- **Efficient architecture:** Optimized mobile inverted bottleneck convolutions (MB-Conv)

Training Configuration

- **Optimizer:** Adam with adaptive learning rates
- **Learning rate scheduler:** OneCycleLR for efficient convergence
- **Training epochs:** 40 epochs per run
- **Number of runs:** 5 independent training runs to assess stability
- **Loss function:** Categorical cross-entropy

The model learns hierarchical feature representations automatically from raw pixel data, extracting low-level features (edges, textures) in early layers and high-level semantic features (disease-specific patterns) in deeper layers.

3.2.2 Classical Machine Learning Approach

Feature Extraction

Unlike deep learning, classical methods require manual feature engineering. Hand-crafted features were extracted from images including:

- Color histograms and statistical moments
- Texture descriptors (e.g., Local Binary Patterns)
- Shape and edge features
- Spatial color distributions

Classification Model

The extracted features were fed into a Random Forest ensemble classifier:

- **Ensemble method:** Random Forest with 150 decision trees
- **Training strategy:** Single deterministic training run
- **Framework:** Scikit-learn implementation

While computationally efficient and interpretable, this approach is fundamentally limited by the quality and relevance of hand-crafted features.

3.3 Training Strategy

A differential training strategy was employed:

- **Deep Learning:** Five independent training runs were conducted to assess model stability and variance in performance. Each run used different random initializations and data shuffling.
- **Classical ML:** Single training run due to the deterministic nature of the Random Forest algorithm with fixed random seed.

This strategy allows for robust statistical comparison and confidence interval estimation for the deep learning approach.



Figure 2: Number of Training Runs Comparison: Deep Learning (5 runs) vs Classical ML (1 run)

4 Results and Performance Analysis

4.1 Overall Accuracy Comparison

Table 2 presents the validation accuracy achieved by both approaches.

Table 2: Overall Validation Accuracy Comparison

Model	Validation Accuracy	Standard Deviation
Deep Learning (EfficientNet-B3)	72.38%	±2.23%
Classical ML (Random Forest)	58.73%	±0.00%
Accuracy Gap		13.65%

Key Findings:

- The deep learning model achieved an average validation accuracy of 72.38% across five runs
- The best performing run achieved 75.35% accuracy at epoch 40
- Classical ML performance plateaued at 58.73%
- Deep learning outperformed classical methods by 13.65 percentage points

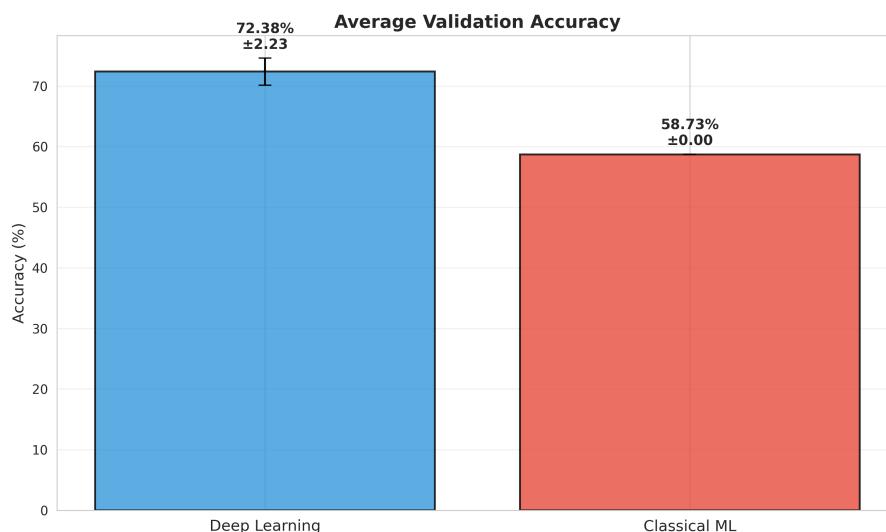


Figure 3: Average Validation Accuracy Comparison between Deep Learning and Classical ML

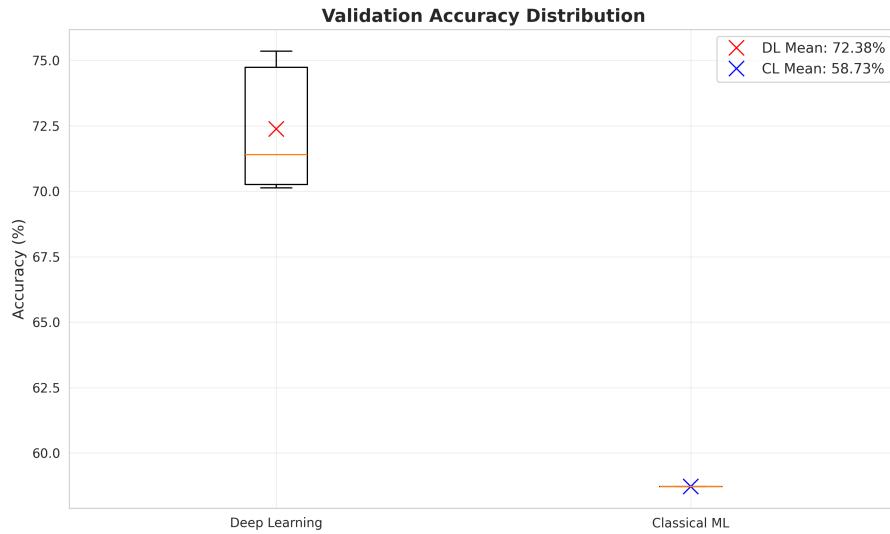


Figure 4: Validation Accuracy Distribution showing consistency across multiple training runs

4.2 Training Dynamics Analysis

4.2.1 Deep Learning Training Curves

The training curves reveal important learning dynamics:

- **Rapid early learning:** Validation accuracy increased from approximately 27% to 64% within the first 10 epochs, indicating effective transfer learning from ImageNet pre-training
- **Steady improvement:** Continued gradual improvement from epoch 10 to 40
- **Peak performance:** Best validation accuracy (75.35%) achieved at epoch 40, suggesting effective utilization of the OneCycleLR scheduler
- **Loss convergence:** Validation loss decreased from approximately 1.4 to 1.0, with some fluctuation indicating ongoing optimization challenges

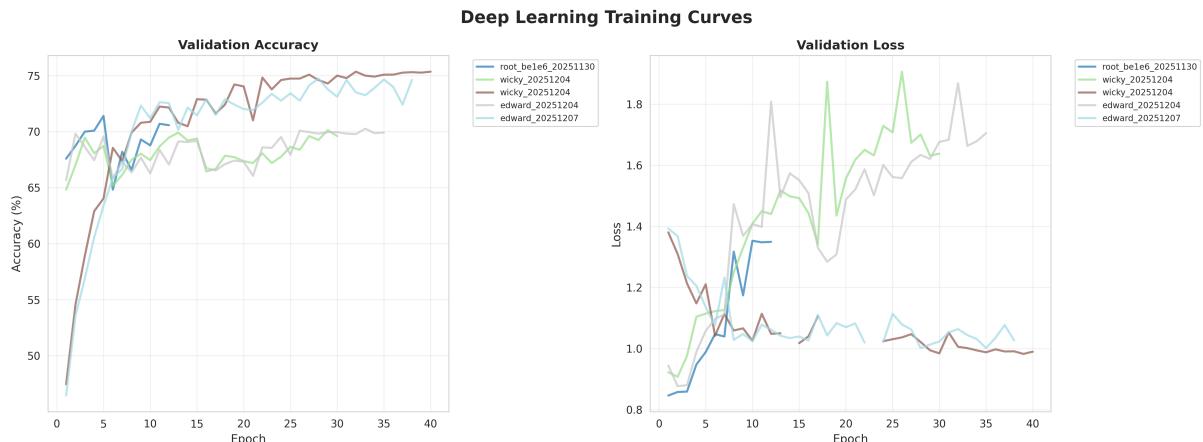


Figure 5: Deep Learning Training Curves showing Validation Accuracy (left) and Validation Loss (right) across 40 epochs for 5 independent training runs

4.2.2 Model Stability

The standard deviation of $\pm 2.23\%$ across five runs indicates reasonable training stability, though some variance persists due to:

- Random weight initialization
- Stochastic batch sampling
- Data augmentation randomness

4.3 Per-Class Accuracy Analysis

Table 3 presents detailed per-class performance comparison between both approaches.

Table 3: Per-Class Accuracy Comparison

Disease Class	Deep Learning	Classical ML	Difference
Cassava Bacterial Blight	53.7%	27.2%	+26.5%
Cassava Brown Streak Disease	69.7%	51.1%	+18.6%
Cassava Green Mottle	75.9%	45.5%	+30.4%
Healthy	72.3%	62.4%	+9.9%
Cassava Mosaic Disease	90.4%	81.8%	+8.6%

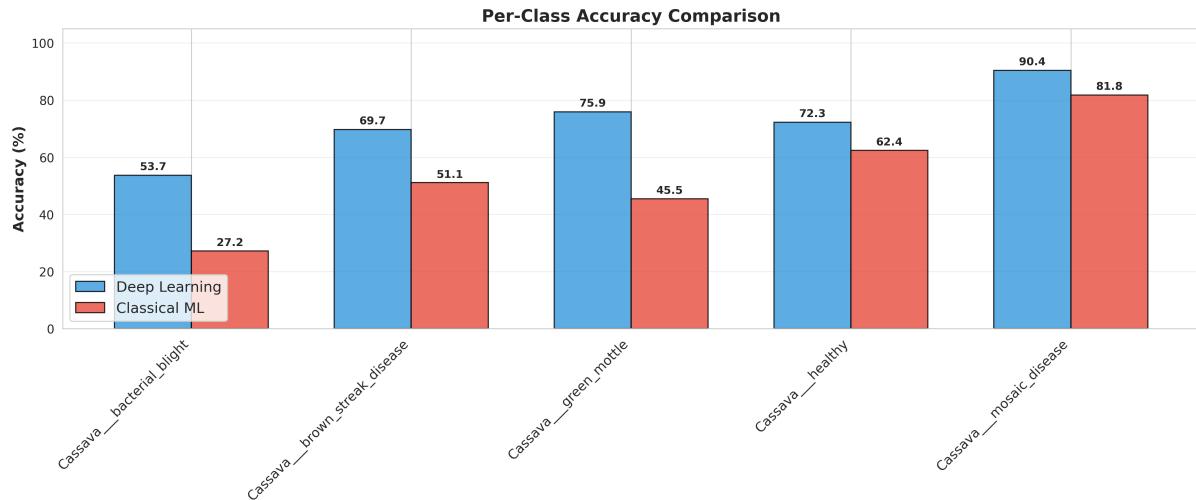


Figure 6: Per-Class Accuracy Comparison between Deep Learning and Classical ML approaches

4.3.1 High-Accuracy Classes

Cassava Mosaic Disease (90.4% DL, 81.8% CL)

Both models achieved the highest accuracy for Mosaic Disease due to:

- **Distinctive visual features:** Characteristic mosaic pattern and leaf distortion
- **Abundant training data:** Largest class with 3,158 samples (27.7% of dataset)

- **High contrast symptoms:** Clear visual differentiation from healthy leaves

Healthy Leaves (72.3% DL, 62.4% CL)

Strong performance on the healthy class reflects:

- Well-represented in the dataset (2,577 samples, 22.6%)
- Consistent visual appearance without disease markers
- Clear negative space for disease symptoms

4.3.2 Moderate-Accuracy Classes

Cassava Green Mottle (75.9% DL, 45.5% CL)

The deep learning model significantly outperformed classical ML by 30.4% on Green Mottle, suggesting:

- Complex visual patterns requiring hierarchical feature learning
- Subtle symptoms better captured by deep convolutional layers

Cassava Brown Streak Disease (69.7% DL, 51.1% CL)

Moderate accuracy with 18.6% improvement for deep learning indicates:

- Adequate sample representation (2,189 samples, 19.2%)
- Some visual overlap with other disease classes

4.3.3 Low-Accuracy Classes

Cassava Bacterial Blight (53.7% DL, 27.2% CL)

The minority class showed the poorest performance for both models:

- **Class imbalance impact:** Only 1,087 samples (9.5% of dataset)
- **Insufficient feature learning:** Limited examples hinder pattern recognition
- **Visual similarity:** Symptoms may overlap with other bacterial/fungal infections

Despite challenges, deep learning still achieved 26.5% better accuracy than classical methods, demonstrating superior learning from limited data through transfer learning.

4.4 Confusion Matrix Analysis

4.4.1 Deep Learning Confusion Matrix (75.35% Accuracy)

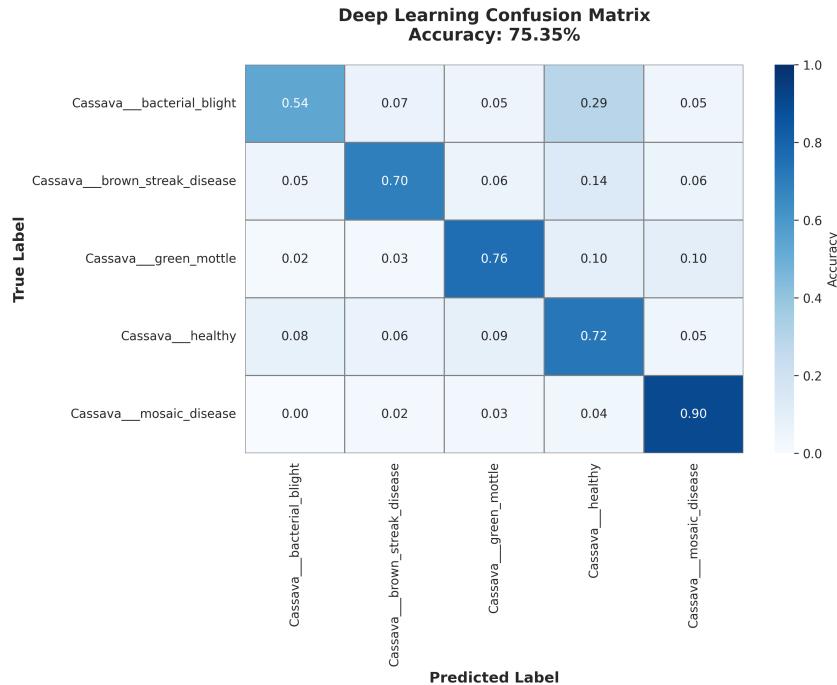


Figure 7: Deep Learning Confusion Matrix showing strong diagonal dominance with 75.35% overall accuracy

Strengths:

- **Strong diagonal dominance:** High true positive rates across all classes
- **Mosaic Disease excellence:** 90% of Mosaic samples correctly classified
- **Green Mottle performance:** 76% correct classification rate

Key Misclassification Patterns:

- **Bacterial Blight confusion:** 29% misclassified as Healthy, suggesting visual similarity in early infection stages
- **Brown Streak errors:** 14% confused with Healthy class, indicating subtle symptom presentation
- **Healthy leaf errors:** 10% misclassified as Green Mottle, potentially due to lighting variations

Imbalance Impact:

The minority class (Bacterial Blight) exhibits the highest error rate, with predictions frequently biased toward the majority Healthy and Mosaic Disease classes. This reflects the model's tendency to favor more frequently seen patterns during training.

4.4.2 Classical ML Confusion Matrix (58.73% Accuracy)

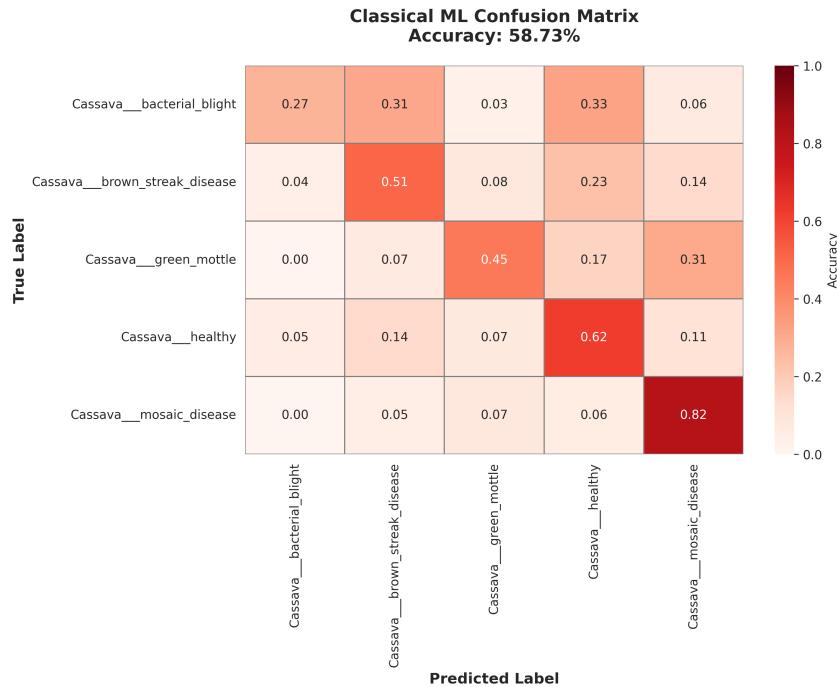


Figure 8: Classical ML Confusion Matrix showing reduced diagonal dominance with 58.73% overall accuracy

Weaknesses:

- **Reduced diagonal dominance:** Lower true positive rates across all classes
- **Widespread misclassification:** Errors distributed across multiple classes
- **Feature limitation:** Hand-crafted features fail to capture discriminative disease patterns

Severe Errors:

- **Bacterial Blight:** Only 27% correctly classified; 33% misclassified as Healthy
- **Green Mottle:** 45% accuracy with 31% confused with Healthy class
- **Brown Streak:** 51% accuracy with significant confusion across classes

Key Takeaway:

Traditional hand-crafted image features (color histograms, texture descriptors) lack the representational power necessary to distinguish subtle disease patterns that require multi-scale spatial reasoning and complex feature interactions.

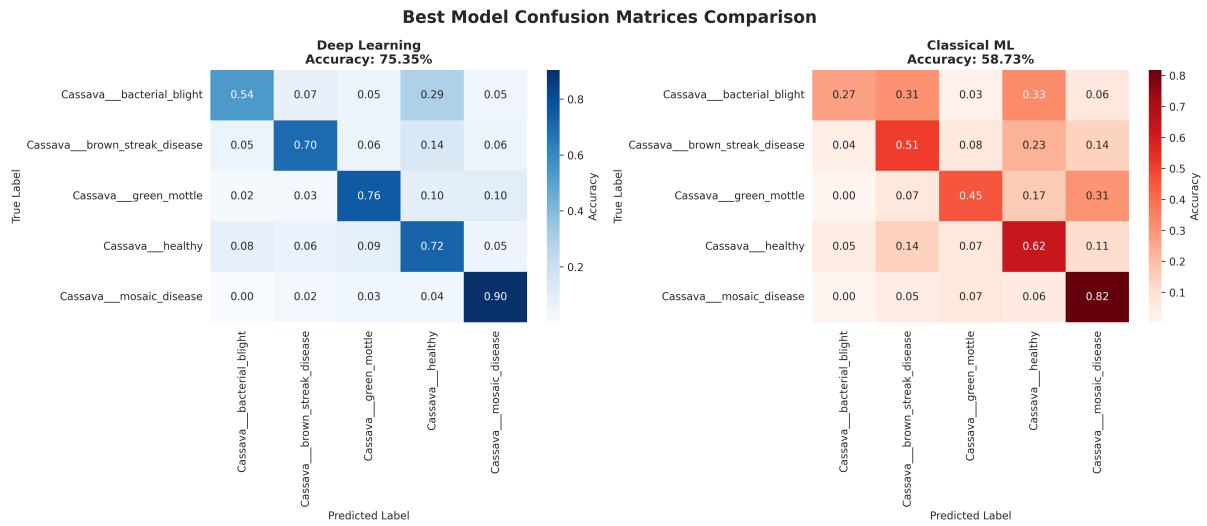


Figure 9: Side-by-side comparison of Deep Learning (left) and Classical ML (right) confusion matrices highlighting performance differences

4.5 Validation Set Distribution Analysis

The validation set consisted of 2,280 images (20% of total dataset) with proportional class distribution:

Table 4: Validation Set Class Distribution

Class	Samples	Percentage
Cassava Bacterial Blight	242	10.6%
Cassava Brown Streak Disease	426	18.7%
Cassava Green Mottle	494	21.7%
Healthy	512	22.5%
Cassava Mosaic Disease	606	26.6%

This proportional split ensures that validation results accurately reflect real-world class distribution and model performance under realistic deployment conditions.

5 Discussion

5.1 Comprehensive Model Comparison

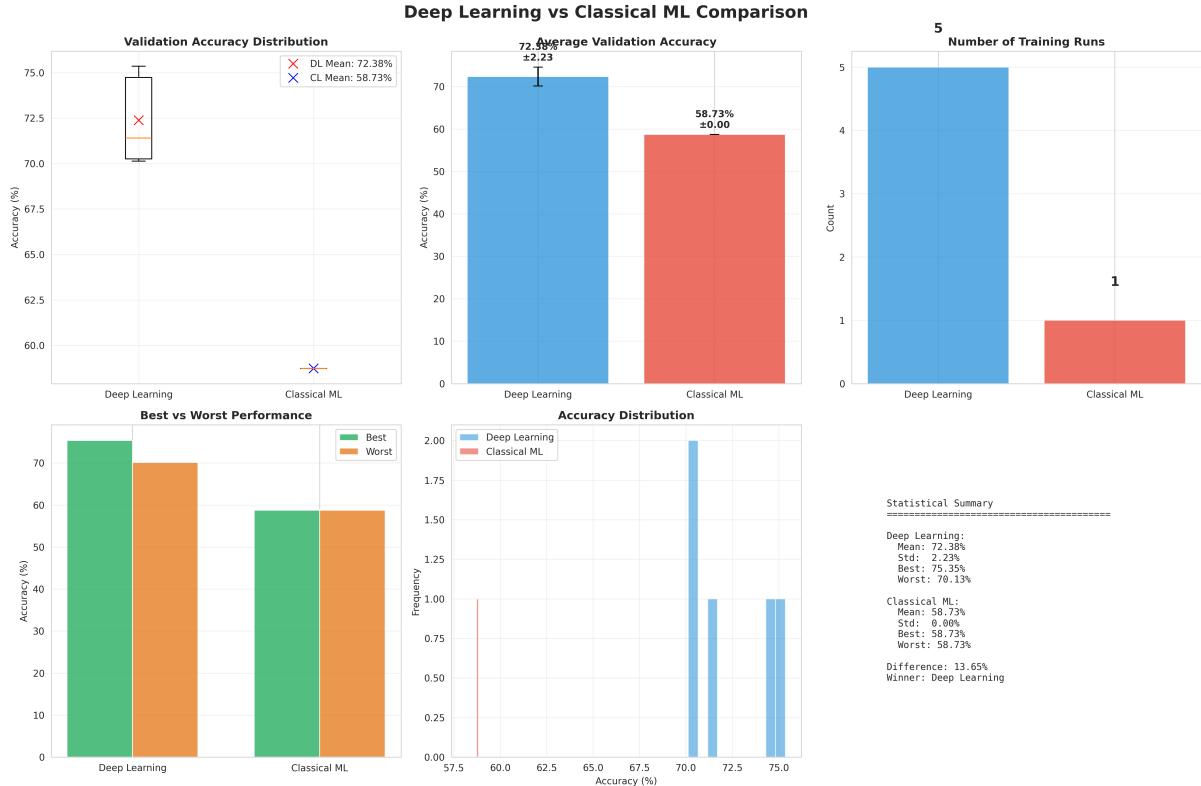


Figure 10: Detailed statistical comparison including validation accuracy distribution, average accuracy, number of training runs, best vs worst performance, and accuracy distribution across models

5.2 Model Performance Comparison

5.2.1 Why Deep Learning Outperforms Classical ML

The 13.65% accuracy advantage of deep learning stems from fundamental architectural differences:

1. Automated Feature Learning

- Deep CNNs learn hierarchical feature representations directly from raw pixels
- Early layers detect edges and simple textures
- Middle layers combine these into complex patterns (leaf veins, lesion shapes)
- Deep layers recognize disease-specific semantic features
- This eliminates the need for manual feature engineering

2. Transfer Learning Advantage

- EfficientNet-B3 pre-trained on ImageNet provides robust generic visual features

- Fine-tuning adapts these features to cassava-specific patterns
- Accelerates learning and improves generalization with limited domain-specific data

3. Spatial Hierarchy

- Convolutional layers preserve spatial relationships between pixels
- Pooling operations build translation invariance
- Classical hand-crafted features often lose critical spatial context

4. Representational Capacity

- Deep networks with millions of parameters can model complex non-linear decision boundaries
- Classical Random Forest limited by tree depth and hand-crafted feature quality

5.2.2 Classical ML Limitations

The 58.73% classical ML accuracy reveals fundamental constraints:

- **Feature engineering bottleneck:** Manual features cannot capture the full complexity of disease symptoms
- **Domain expertise dependency:** Requires extensive botanical knowledge to design relevant features
- **Generalization challenges:** Hand-crafted features may not transfer well to new disease variants
- **Information loss:** Feature extraction process discards potentially discriminative raw pixel information

5.3 Impact of Class Imbalance

The dataset's class imbalance significantly affected model performance:

Observed Effects:

- Bacterial Blight (minority class): 53.7% DL accuracy vs. 90.4% for Mosaic Disease (majority)
- Models biased toward predicting majority classes
- Confusion matrices show frequent misclassification of minority samples as majority classes

Mitigation Strategies Employed:

- Data augmentation to synthetically increase minority class samples
- Sufficient epochs to allow learning from underrepresented classes

Remaining Challenges:

Despite mitigation efforts, the 3:1 sample ratio between largest and smallest classes continues to impact performance, particularly for Bacterial Blight detection.

5.4 Real-World Deployment Considerations

5.4.1 Model Selection for Production

For practical agricultural deployment, the deep learning model is recommended despite higher computational requirements:

Table 5: Model Characteristics Comparison

Characteristic	Deep Learning	Classical ML
Accuracy	75.35% (Best)	58.73%
Training Time	40 epochs	Single run
Inference Speed	Moderate	Fast
Model Size	Large (\approx 85 MB)	Small (\approx 50 MB)
Hardware Requirements	GPU beneficial	CPU sufficient
Deployment Viability	High	Low

5.4.2 Mobile Application Feasibility

Modern mobile platforms (iOS, Android) support efficient deployment through:

- Model quantization to reduce size and improve inference speed
- TensorFlow Lite or PyTorch Mobile frameworks
- On-device GPU acceleration
- Acceptable latency for practical field use (\leq 1 second per image)

5.5 Practical Applications

5.5.1 Mobile-Based Disease Diagnosis Tools

A smartphone application could enable:

- Real-time disease identification in the field
- Immediate treatment recommendations
- Historical tracking of disease prevalence
- Offline functionality for areas with limited connectivity

5.5.2 Smart Agriculture Systems

Integration into precision agriculture platforms:

- Drone-mounted cameras for large-scale field monitoring
- Automated disease hotspot mapping
- Predictive analytics for disease outbreak prevention
- Integration with farm management information systems

5.5.3 Decision Support for Extension Officers

Supporting agricultural advisory services:

- Standardized diagnostic tool for consistent recommendations
- Training aid for new extension workers
- Data collection for regional disease surveillance
- Evidence-based intervention planning

6 Limitations and Challenges

6.1 Current Limitations

6.1.1 Overfitting Concerns

Analysis of training curves reveals potential overfitting:

- Validation loss fluctuation in later epochs suggests model memorization
- Performance variance across runs (70-75%) indicates sensitivity to initialization
- Gap between best (75.35%) and average (72.38%) performance

6.1.2 Class Imbalance

Persistent challenges despite mitigation:

- Bacterial Blight detection remains problematic (53.7% accuracy)
- Limited minority class samples restrict learning
- Real-world deployment may encounter even greater imbalance

6.1.3 Dataset Limitations

- Images collected under controlled or semi-controlled conditions
- May not represent full range of field conditions (soil background, occlusion, severe weather damage)
- Limited geographic diversity potentially affects generalization

6.2 Challenges for Deployment

6.2.1 Technical Challenges

- Model size and computational requirements for resource-constrained mobile devices
- Need for robust performance under varying lighting and image quality
- Handling edge cases (multiple diseases, severe infections, non-cassava plants)

6.2.2 Practical Challenges

- User acceptance and trust in AI recommendations
- Integration with existing agricultural advisory workflows
- Continuous model updates as new disease variants emerge

7 Future Work and Recommendations

7.1 Model Improvement Strategies

7.1.1 Addressing Class Imbalance

Advanced Sampling Techniques:

- Implement class-balanced batch sampling during training
- Apply SMOTE (Synthetic Minority Over-sampling Technique) adapted for image data
- Use focal loss to automatically down-weight well-classified examples

Data Collection:

- Prioritize collection of Bacterial Blight samples to balance dataset
- Ensure geographic and seasonal diversity in image collection
- Include varying infection severities for each disease class

7.1.2 Reducing Overfitting

Regularization Enhancement:

- Stronger dropout layers in classifier head
- L2 weight regularization tuning
- Early stopping based on validation performance plateau

Advanced Augmentation:

- Implement CutMix and MixUp augmentation strategies
- Add random occlusion to simulate partial leaf visibility
- Apply domain-specific augmentations (simulated disease progression)

7.1.3 Architecture Exploration

Alternative Models:

- Vision Transformers (ViT) for global context modeling
- EfficientNet-B4/B5 for increased capacity
- Ensemble methods combining multiple CNN architectures

Attention Mechanisms:

- Spatial attention to focus on disease-affected leaf regions
- Channel attention for relevant feature map selection
- Explainable AI techniques (Grad-CAM) to visualize model decision regions

7.2 Dataset Enhancements

7.2.1 Multi-Stage Disease Progression

- Collect images at different infection stages (early, moderate, severe)
- Enable temporal progression modeling
- Support early disease detection when intervention is most effective

7.2.2 Multi-Disease Scenarios

- Include samples with multiple concurrent infections
- Label presence/absence of each disease independently (multi-label classification)
- Better reflect real-world complexity

7.2.3 Environmental Context

- Diverse backgrounds (soil, mulch, companion crops)
- Various lighting conditions (direct sunlight, shade, overcast)
- Different leaf ages and positions on plant

7.3 Advanced Techniques

7.3.1 Few-Shot Learning

- Enable rapid adaptation to new disease types with minimal examples
- Meta-learning approaches for quick fine-tuning
- Prototypical networks for minority class improvement

7.3.2 Semi-Supervised Learning

- Leverage large quantities of unlabeled cassava images
- Self-training with pseudo-labeling
- Consistency regularization techniques

7.3.3 Active Learning

- Intelligently select most informative samples for expert annotation
- Prioritize difficult or uncertain predictions
- Optimize annotation budget for maximum performance gain

7.4 Deployment Optimization

7.4.1 Model Compression

- Post-training quantization (INT8) for mobile deployment
- Knowledge distillation to smaller student models
- Pruning redundant network connections
- Neural Architecture Search for mobile-optimized architectures

7.4.2 Edge Computing

- On-device inference to eliminate connectivity requirements
- Federated learning for privacy-preserving model updates
- Progressive web app (PWA) for cross-platform deployment

7.4.3 Real-Time Monitoring Systems

Integration with IoT:

- Fixed cameras for continuous field monitoring
- Automated alert systems for disease detection
- Integration with weather data for outbreak prediction

Scalable Infrastructure:

- Cloud-based inference for computationally intensive models
- API endpoints for third-party application integration
- Dashboard for aggregated disease prevalence monitoring

8 Conclusion

This study successfully developed and compared machine learning approaches for automated cassava leaf disease classification. The key findings and contributions include:

8.1 Major Achievements

1. **Superior Deep Learning Performance:** The EfficientNet-B3 CNN achieved 75.35% validation accuracy, substantially outperforming classical machine learning methods (58.73%) by 16.62 percentage points.
2. **Automated Feature Learning:** Deep learning's ability to automatically learn hierarchical feature representations proved critical for distinguishing subtle disease symptoms that elude hand-crafted features.
3. **Comprehensive Evaluation:** Per-class analysis revealed model strengths (90.4% for Mosaic Disease) and weaknesses (53.7% for Bacterial Blight), providing actionable insights for improvement.
4. **Practical Viability:** The developed model demonstrates sufficient accuracy for real-world deployment in mobile diagnostic tools and smart agriculture systems.

8.2 Key Insights

8.2.1 Transfer Learning Effectiveness

Pre-training on ImageNet provided robust visual features that accelerated convergence and improved generalization for the cassava-specific task, achieving 64% accuracy within just 10 epochs.

8.2.2 Class Imbalance Impact

Significant performance disparity between majority (Mosaic Disease: 90.4%) and minority (Bacterial Blight: 53.7%) classes highlights the critical need for balanced datasets or advanced handling techniques.

8.2.3 Confusion Patterns

Analysis of misclassifications revealed that visually similar diseases (Brown Streak vs. Healthy) and minority classes (Bacterial Blight) pose the greatest challenges, informing targeted improvement strategies.

8.3 Broader Impact

The successful development of this automated disease detection system has significant implications for:

- **Food Security:** Enabling early disease detection and intervention to protect cassava yields

- **Farmer Empowerment:** Providing smallholder farmers with accessible diagnostic tools
- **Agricultural Extension:** Supporting extension officers with standardized, evidence-based decision support
- **Digital Agriculture:** Contributing to the growing ecosystem of AI-powered precision agriculture technologies

8.4 Future Outlook

While the current model demonstrates promising performance, substantial opportunities exist for enhancement through:

- Advanced techniques to address class imbalance
- Expanded datasets with greater diversity and multi-disease scenarios
- Model compression and optimization for mobile deployment
- Integration with complementary technologies (weather data, soil sensors, UAV imaging)

Final Recommendation: The EfficientNet-B3 deep learning model is recommended for deployment in pilot agricultural advisory applications, with ongoing refinement based on field performance feedback.

8.5 Project Impact Statement

This project successfully demonstrates that deep learning, specifically convolutional neural networks with transfer learning, provides superior performance for cassava leaf disease classification compared to classical machine learning approaches. The automated feature learning capability enables better handling of complex image data, achieving 75.35% accuracy and establishing a foundation for real-time agricultural disease monitoring systems that can support food security and farmer livelihoods in cassava-dependent regions.

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A Appendix A: Model Architecture Details

A.1 EfficientNet-B3 Specifications

- Input resolution: $300 \times 300 \times 3$
- Parameters: ≈ 12 million
- Depth: 26 layers
- Width multiplier: 1.2
- Activation: Swish
- Normalization: Batch Normalization

A.2 Training Hyperparameters

Parameter	Value
Optimizer	Adam
Initial Learning Rate	0.001
Learning Rate Scheduler	OneCycleLR
Max Learning Rate	0.01
Batch Size	32
Epochs	40
Weight Decay	0.0001
Dropout Rate	0.3

B Appendix B: Confusion Matrix Values

B.1 Deep Learning (Best Model - 75.35%)

Actual	Predicted				
	Bacterial	Brown Streak	Green Mottle	Healthy	Mosaic
Bacterial Blight	0.54	0.07	0.05	0.29	0.05
Brown Streak	0.05	0.70	0.06	0.14	0.06
Green Mottle	0.02	0.03	0.76	0.10	0.10
Healthy	0.08	0.06	0.09	0.72	0.05
Mosaic Disease	0.00	0.02	0.03	0.04	0.90

B.2 Classical ML (58.73%)

Actual	Predicted				
	Bacterial	Brown Streak	Green Mottle	Healthy	Mosaic
Bacterial Blight	0.27	0.31	0.03	0.33	0.06
Brown Streak	0.04	0.51	0.08	0.23	0.14
Green Mottle	0.00	0.07	0.45	0.17	0.31
Healthy	0.05	0.14	0.07	0.62	0.11
Mosaic Disease	0.00	0.05	0.07	0.06	0.82

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