Brain Tumor detection From MRI images using Deep learning techniques

Abstract:

The aim behind this study is to detect brain tumour and provide better treatment for the sufferingsBrain. Tumour detection and diagnosis are critical tasks in the field of medical imaging, as early and accurate identification of brain tumours significantly improve patient outcomes. Deep learning models have shown promising results in various medical image analysis tasks, including Brain Tumour detection from MRI scans. In this research, we propose a novel approach for brain tumour detection using state-of-the-art deep learning models. Brain tumour is the growth of abnormal cells in brain some of which may leads to cancer. The usual method to detect brain tumor is Magnetic Resonance Imaging(MRI) scans. From the MRI images information about abnormal tissue growth in the brain is identified. In various research papers, the detection of brain tumor is done by applying Machine Learning and Deep Learning algorithms. When algorithms are applied on the MRI images the prediction of brain tumor is done very fast and a higher accuracy helps in providing the treatment to the patients. These prediction also helps the radiologist in making quick decisions. In the proposed work, VGG-16, VGG 19, ResNet 50, GoogleNet, Lenet, AlexNet which are the convolutional neural network models that are part of deep learning model are applied in detecting the presence of brain tumor and their performance is analysed. The dataset used is Brain MRI Images for Brain Tumor Detection, it is taken from Kaggle.

Keywords: Brain tumour detection, MRI(Magnetic Resonance Imaging), Convolutional Neural Networks, VGG 16, VGG 19, ResNet 50, GoogleNet, Lenet, AlexNet.

1. **INTRODUCTION**:

Brain tumor detection is the process of identifying the presence of tumors in the brain using various medical imaging techniques. Timely and accurate detection of brain tumors is critical for effective treatment planning and improved patient outcomes. Medical imaging modalities such as Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI), Computed Tomography (CT), and Positron Emission Tomography (PET) are commonly used for brain tumor detection. Brain tumors are a significant health concern worldwide, with millions of people affected each year. Early and accurate detection of brain tumors is crucial for timely intervention and improved patient outcomes. Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) is a widely used and non-invasive imaging modality for diagnosing brain tumors. However, the interpretation of MRI images can be challenging and timeconsuming for radiologists, leading to a growing interest in leveraging deep learning techniques for automated brain tumor detection.

Deep learning has emerged as a powerful tool in the field of medical image analysis. Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs) are a class of deep learning models that have shown remarkable success in various computer vision tasks, including image classification, object detection, and segmentation. Their ability to automatically learn relevant features from raw image data makes them well-suited for complex medical image analysis tasks like brain tumor detection.

In this research paper, we explore the application of deep learning techniques, particularly CNNs, for brain tumor detection from MRI images. We aim to develop a reliable and efficient algorithm that can accurately distinguish between tumor and non-tumor regions in MRI scans. The proposed model can potentially assist radiologists in making more informed decisions and significantly reduce the time and effort required for diagnosis.

With the advancement of deep learning techniques, automated methods for brain tumor detection have gained significant attention. Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs) have demonstrated remarkable success in analyzing medical images, including MRI scans. Deep learning models can learn intricate patterns and features from large datasets, enabling them to accurately differentiate between healthy brain tissue and tumor regions.

The process of automated brain tumor detection using deep learning typically involves the following steps:

- 1. Data Collection: A dataset of labeled brain MRI scans, including both tumor and non-tumor cases, is collected for training and evaluation.
- 2. Preprocessing: The MRI images may undergo preprocessing steps such as normalization, noise reduction, and contrast enhancement to improve the quality and uniformity of the data.
- 3. Model Training: CNN models are trained on the labeled dataset using optimization algorithms to learn the underlying patterns and features associated with brain tumors.
- 4. Model Evaluation: The trained model is evaluated on a separate test dataset to assess its performance and accuracy in detecting brain tumors.
- 5. Post-processing: post-processing techniques like thresholding, morphological operations, or spatial coherence may be applied to refine the tumor detection results.

Automated brain tumor detection using deep learning has the potential to assist radiologists in their diagnosis, reduce the time required for analysis, and enhance the accuracy of tumor identification. It can also serve as a valuable screening tool for early detection, leading to better patient strategies. outcomes and treatment deployment of such However, the automated systems in clinical practice requires rigorous validation and integration with existing healthcare workflows.

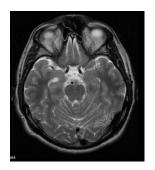
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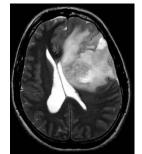
The motivation for conducting the work on brain tumor detection using deep learning stems from several compelling factors:

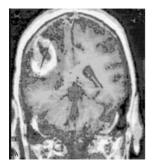
- o Medical Impact: Brain tumors are a significant health concern, and early detection plays a crucial role in determining treatment options and patient outcomes. Automating the brain tumor detection process using deep learning can lead to faster and more accurate diagnoses, allowing for timely intervention and potentially improving survival rates and quality of life for affected individuals.
- o Challenges in Manual Analysis: Manual analysis of MRI scans for brain tumor detection can be time-consuming and subjective, relying heavily on the expertise of radiologists. Deep learning models have the potential to assist healthcare professionals by providing objective and consistent assessments, thereby reducing the burden on medical personnel and enhancing diagnostic efficiency.
- Advancements in Deep Learning: The advancements in deep learning, particularly in the field of computer vision, have shown remarkable success in various imagerelated tasks. Applying these cutting-edge techniques to the medical domain, specifically brain tumor detection, presents an exciting opportunity to leverage the power of artificial intelligence for improving healthcare.
- o **Translational Research:** The potential real-world impact of the research motivates

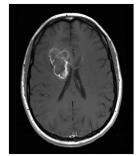
its pursuit. Developing accurate and efficient deep learning models for brain tumor detection could lead to the creation of valuable clinical tools that can be integrated into existing healthcare systems, benefitting patients and healthcare providers alike.

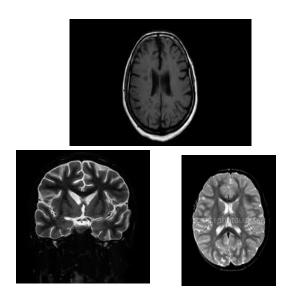
- Benchmarking and **Comparative** Analysis: The comparison of different deep learning models, such as VGG16, GoogLeNet, ResNet, LeNet, AlexNet, and VGG19, allows for benchmarking their performance in the context of brain tumor detection. This information can help identify the most suitable models for this specific medical imaging task and guide future research and clinical applications.
- O Potential for Early Diagnosis: Early detection of brain tumors is essential for effective treatment planning. By providing a more sensitive and accurate detection method, the research has the potential to aid in the identification of tumors at their early stages, leading to improved treatment outcomes and potential cost savings in healthcare.











Contributions of the work:

Our work has made several significant contributions to the field of medical image analysis and healthcare:

- 1. Comparison of Deep Learning Models: One of the primary contributions of this work is the comprehensive comparison of multiple deep learning architectures, including VGG16, Google Net, Resnet, LeNet, Alex Net, and VGG19, for brain tumour detection.
- 2. Performance Evaluation: The research evaluates and reports the performance metrics of each model, such as accuracy, sensitivity, specificity, precision, and F1-score.
- 3. Transfer Learning: The use of transfer learning with pre-trained weights on models like VGG16, Google Net, ResNet, AlexNet, and VGG19 is a significant contribution
- 4. Real-World Applicability: The study's practical implementation and evaluation of deep learning models with real-world brain MRI images enhance the translational value of the research
- 5. Computational Efficiency: The research may also investigate the computational efficiency and resource requirements of each model.
- 6. Visualization of Model Outputs: Visualizing the model's internal

representations or heatmap activations for tumor regions can provide insights into how the models make their decisions.

RELATED WORK:

Introduced a deep neural network architecture for brain tumor segmentation in 2D MRI images. Evaluated on publicly available brain tumor datasets and demonstrated competitive segmentation performance. [15]

Utilized CNNs for brain tumor segmentation in 3D MRI images, addressing the challenges of 3D medical data. Demonstrated the effectiveness of deep learning models in accurately segmenting brain tumor regions. [4]

Proposed an efficient 3D CNN with fully connected Conditional Random Fields (CRF) for brain tumor segmentation. Achieved state-of-the-art performance on the Multimodal Brain Tumor Segmentation Challenge (BRATS) dataset. [5]

Investigated the use of multi-modal MRI images for brain tumor segmentation using fine-tuned deep neural networks. Showcased improved performance compared to single-modal approaches. [6]

Introduced ResNet, a deep residual network, which enables training of very deep CNNs without degradation issues. I. ResNet has been widely adopted in various image-related tasks, including brain tumor detection. [11]

Presented AlexNet, a pioneering deep CNN architecture, that won the ImageNet competition. Alex Net's success demonstrated the potential of deep learning for image classification tasks. [12]

Introduced the VGG network, including VGG16 and VGG19, with 16 and 19 weight layers, respectively. VGG networks are known for their uniform architecture and

have been applied in various image recognition tasks. [13]

Proposed GoogLeNet (Inception) architecture, which introduced the concept of "Inception modules" for efficient feature extraction. Google Net achieved high accuracy with reduced model complexity compared to traditional CNNs. [14]

Focused on brain tumor classification using multi-modal MRI data with CNN-based models. Reported high accuracy in distinguishing different tumor types. [10]

While not directly related to brain tumor detection, this study demonstrates the potential of transfer learning for medical image analysis. Transfer learning from pre-trained CNNs (e.g., VGG16) can be effectively applied to medical imaging tasks. [9]

Proposed cascaded anisotropic CNNs for accurate brain tumor segmentation. Demonstrated superior performance on the BraTS dataset compared to other methods. [8]

Presented the BRATS dataset, a widely used benchmark for brain tumor segmentation in MRI. Evaluated various segmentation methods, including deep learning models, on this challenging dataset. [7]

Brain tumour detection using CNN:

Recently, CNN models generated significant outcomes in numerous domains, such as NLP, image classification, and diagnosis systems. In contrast to MLPs, CNN reduces the number of neurons and parameters, which results in lower complexity and faster adaptation.

The CNN model has significant applications in the classification of medical images. In this paper we developed the CNN networks architecture with different

number of alternating convolutional layers and max-pooling layers and a dropout layer after each Conv/pooling pair. The last pooling layer connected fully layer with 256 neurons, ReLU activation function, dropout layer, and sigmoid activation function are employed for classification of brain MR images (Meningioma, Glioma, and Pituitary).

We used six different types of pre trained CNN architectures that include VGG-19, LeNet, GoogleNet, AlexNet, VGG-16 and ResNet.

Preprocessing:

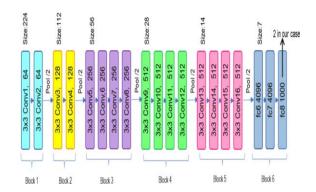
The data we have taken consists of MRI(Magnetic Resonance Imaging) of different brains. To reduce the loss, we used the preprocessing technique to make the data set even consisting of same type of images. This makes the input more consistent and improves the model accuracy. However, the data set we have taken consists of pre-processed data. We needed greyscale images and not rgb images. So we converted the rgb images into greyscale if there are any in our dataset. Thus our input images are consistent.

Architectures of CNN used:

i. VGG19:

- A fixed size of (224 × 224) RGB image was given as input to this network which means that the matrix was of shape (224,224,3).
- The only preprocessing that was done is that they subtracted the mean RGB value from each pixel, computed over the whole training set.
- Used kernels of (3 × 3) size with a stride size of 1 pixel, this enabled them to cover the whole notion of the image.

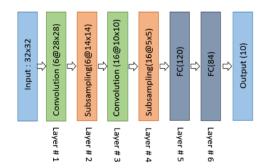
- spatial padding was used to preserve the spatial resolution of the image.
- max pooling was performed over a 2×2 pixel windows with stride 1.
- this was followed by Rectified linear unit(ReLu) to introduce non-linearity to make the model classify better and to improve computational time as the previous models used tanh or sigmoid functions this proved much better than those.
- implemented three fully connected layers from which first two were of size 4096 and after that a layer with 1000 channels for 1000-way *ILSVRC* classification and the final layer is a SoftMax function.
- Architecture:



ii. LeNet:

- In a Convolutional Neural Network (CNN), the input layer is responsible for receiving the input data and passing it along to the next layers in the network.
- In LeNet, the input layer consists of a grid of neurons, with each neuron representing a pixel in the input image. This layer is usually followed by one or more convolutional layers, which apply filters to the input data and extract features from it.
- The output of the convolutional layers is then passed through one or more fully connected layers, which process the features and make predictions based on them.
- Overall, the input layer in LeNet and any CNN plays a crucial role in the network by providing the raw data that the network uses to learn and make predictions.

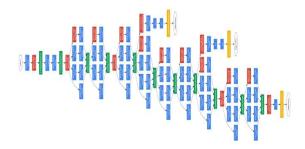
- Layer 1- The first layer is the input layer; It is generally not considered a layer of the iii. network as nothing is learned on that layer. The input layer supports 32×32, and these are the dimensions of the images that will be passed to the next layer.
- Those familiar with the MNIST dataset will know that the images in the MNIST dataset are 28 × 28 in dimensions. In order for the dimension of MNIST images to meet the requirements of the input layer, the 28×28.
- **Layer 2-** Layer C1 is a convolution layer with six 5 × 5 convolution kernels, and the feature allocation size is 28 × 28, whereby input image information can be avoided.
- Layer 3- Layer S2 is the under sampling / grouping layer which generates 6 function graphs of length 14×14. Each cell in every function map is attached to 2×2 neighbourhoods at the corresponding function map in C1.
- Layer 4- C3 convolution layer encompass sixteen 5x5 convolution kernels The input of the primary six function maps C3 is every continuous subset of the 3 function maps in S2, the access of the following six function maps comes from the access of the 4 continuous subsets and the input for the following 3 function maps is crafted from the 4 discontinuous subsets. Finally, the input for the very last function diagram comes from all the S2 function diagrams.
- Layer 5- Layer S4 is just like S2 with a length of 2×2 and an output of sixteen 5×5 function graphics.
- Architecture:



GoogleNet:

- There are 22 parameterized layers in Google Net architecture; these are convolutional layers and fully-connected layers; if we include the non-parameterized layers like max-pooling, there are a total of 27 layers in the Google Net model.
- In the below architecture, every box represents a layer:

Blue: Convolution layer Green: Feature concatenation Yellow: SoftMax layer Red: Maxpool layer



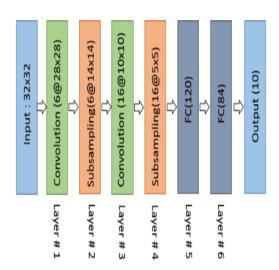
- Inception Module: GoogleNet introduced the concept of the Inception module, which consists of multiple parallel convolutional layers of different kernel sizes and a maxpooling layer. These parallel branches are concatenated depth-wise, allowing the network to capture features at multiple scales.
- 1×1 Convolutions: GoogleNet extensively uses 1×1 convolution (network-innetwork) to reduce the computational cost and the number of parameters. These 1×1 convolution help in dimensionality reduction before applying the more expensive 3×3 and 5×5 convolutions.
- Spatial Reduction: GoogleNet uses 3×3 max-pooling with a stride of 2 to reduce the spatial dimensions in some of the Inception modules, which further reduces the computational burden.
- Auxiliary Classifiers: To alleviate the vanishing gradient problem during training, GoogleNet introduces two auxiliary classifiers with SoftMax activations at intermediate layers. These classifiers

- provide additional supervision and gradients for training and help improve the gradient flow.
- Global Average Pooling: Instead of using fully connected layers at the end, GoogleNet employs global average pooling, which averages the values in each feature map to generate a single value. This helps in reducing overfitting and the number of parameters.
- Deep Network: GoogleNet has a significant depth with 22 layers, but it achieved better efficiency than previous architectures like VGG with a much larger number of layers.
- Computational Efficiency: Despite its depth, GoogleNet is computationally efficient due to the use of 1×1 convolutions and the Inception module, allowing for faster inference on both CPUs and GPUs.

iv. AlexNet:

- Architecture: AlexNet consists of eight layers. The first five layers are convolutional layers, followed by three fully connected layers. The network's depth and complexity were considered significant at the time of its introduction.
- Convolutional Layers: The first convolutional layer has 96 filters with a kernel size of 11x11 and a stride of 4. This is followed by a ReLU activation function and a max-pooling layer with a kernel size of 3x3 and a stride of 2. The subsequent convolutional layers and max-pooling layers follow a similar pattern.
- ReLU Activation: AlexNet used the Rectified Linear Unit (ReLU) activation function, which helps alleviate the vanishing gradient problem and speeds up convergence during training.
- Local Response Normalization: Local Response Normalization (LRN) was used after some convolutional layers to add local contrast normalization, which enhances generalization by reducing overfitting.

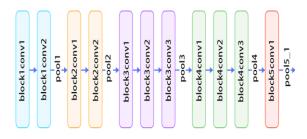
- Fully Connected Layers: The three fully connected layers have 4096 neurons each. The last layer has the same number of neurons as the number of classes in the dataset, which is typically 1000 for ImageNet.
- Dropout: AlexNet employs dropout in the fully connected layers to prevent overfitting during training.
- Large Scale Training: AlexNet was trained on the large-scale ImageNet dataset, which contains millions of labelled images belonging to thousands of classes.
- GPU Acceleration: The success of AlexNet was partly due to its utilization of GPUs for training. This allowed faster computation of gradients and made training deep neural networks feasible on a large scale.



v. VGG-16:

- The VGG network is constructed with very small convolutional filters. The VGG-16 consists of 13 convolutional layers and three fully connected layers.
- Input: The VGGNet takes in an image input size of 224×224. For the ImageNet competition, the creators of the model cropped out the centre 224×224 patch in

- each image to keep the input size of the image consistent.
- Convolutional Layers: VGG's convolutional layers leverage a minimal receptive field, i.e., 3×3, the smallest possible size that still captures up/down and left/right. Moreover, there are also 1×1 convolution filter acting as a linear transformation of the input. This is followed by a ReLU unit, which is a huge innovation from AlexNet that reduces training time.
- Hidden Layers: All the hidden layers in the VGG network use ReLU. VGG does not usually leverage Local Response Normalization (LRN) as it increases memory consumption and training time. Moreover, it makes no improvements to overall accuracy.
- Fully-Connected Layers: The VGG-16 Net has three fully connected layers. Out of the three layers, the first two have 4096 channels each, and the third layer consists of 1000 channels, one for each class.



vi. ResNet:

- ResNet introduces skip connections that allow shortcut connections between layers, allowing information to bypass one or more layers in the network.
- These skip connections enable the network to learn residual functions, making it easier to optimize and train very deep networks.

Residual Blocks:

 The basic building block of ResNet is the residual block, which consists of a sequence of convolutional layers followed by batch normalization and ReLU activation functions. • The output of the block is added to the input through the skip connection, creating the residual.

Deep Architecture:

- ResNet can be designed with hundreds or even thousands of layers, allowing for the creation of very deep neural networks.
- The ability to train such deep networks effectively is a significant advantage of ResNet over traditional architectures.

Bottleneck Architecture:

- For deeper networks, ResNet uses bottleneck architectures that use 1x1 convolutions to reduce the number of parameters in the network.
- This helps to improve computational efficiency while maintaining performance.

Pretrained Models:

 Pretrained ResNet models on large image datasets like ImageNet are widely available and can be used for transfer learning in various computer vision tasks.

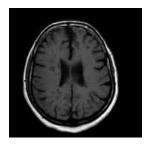
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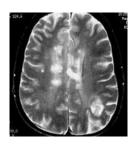


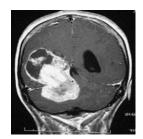
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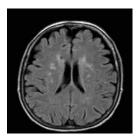
The data set we have taken to train and test our model consists of 253 MRI images of human brain. It is a well-used dataset from Kaggle. All the images in the data set are greyscale images and are of varying sizes. Among the 253 images, there are

Here are some sample images from our data set:

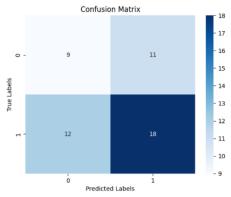








We splitted the entire data set into two subsets in the code – training data and validation data. The model randomly splits into the two subsets mostly maintaining 70% and 20% for training and validation



respectively. Two accuracy and loss levels will be predicted for each type of CNN architecture.

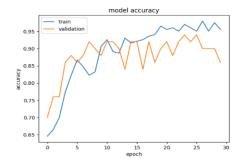
5.RESULTS AND DISCUSSION:

The implementation of our models is validated through numerous test images in dataset. For validation, the common metrics used for brain tumor detection include accuracy, precision, recall, F1-score, and area under the receiver operating characteristic curve are considered.

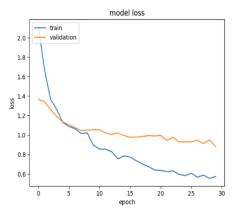
Our first model is Vgg-19 where we used binary-cross entropy loss function, Adam

optimizer, ReLU activation function, 30 number of epochs. In this model we imported all the convolutional layers, Max pooling layers and then used layers. Dense and layers. Dropout. The highest testing accuracy achieved is

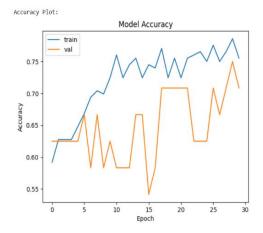
97.54% and loss of 0.5534.

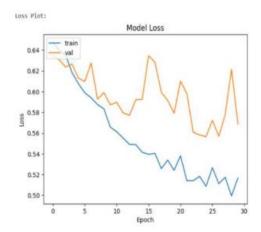


Our second model is Lenet where we used binary-cross entropy loss function, Adam optimizer, ReLU activation function, 30

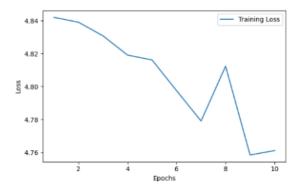


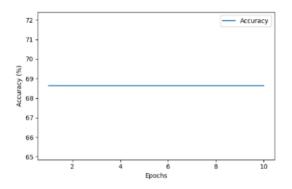
number of epochs. In this model we imported all the convolutional layers, Average pooling layers, Dense and Flatten. The highest testing accuracy achieved is 78.57% with loss of 0.4994.





Our third model is Alex Net where we used binary-cross entropy loss function, SGD optimizer, ReLU activation function, 10 number of epochs to avoid overfitting. In this model we imported all the convolutional layers, Max pooling layers and then used layers. Dense and layers. Dropout. The highest accuracy obtained is 68.63% with a loss of 0.47612.

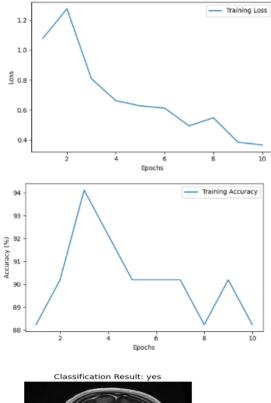


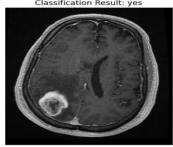


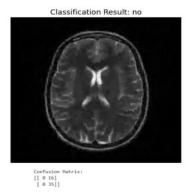




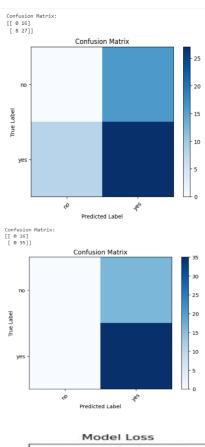
Ourfourth model is Google Net where we used binary-cross entropy loss function, SGD optimizer, ReLU activation function, 10 number of epochs to avoid overfitting. In this model we used modules of Google net which contains the pre-defined layers in it. We can call that module using torchvision.models.googlenet. The highest accuracy obtained is 90.20% with a loss of 0.3845.

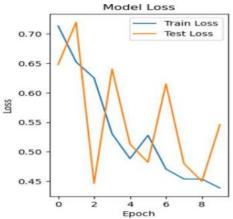


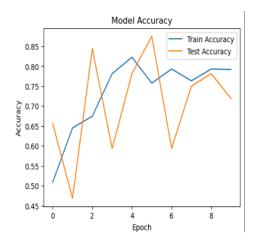




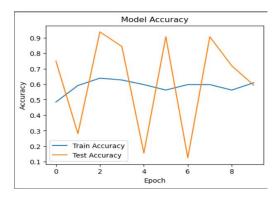
Our fifth model is Vgg-16 where we used binary-cross entropy loss function, Adam optimizer, sigmoid activation function, 10 number of epochs to avoid overfitting. In this model we imported convolutional layers and max pooling layers. The highest accuracy obtained is 81.09% with a loss of 0.4270.

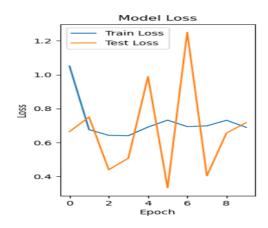


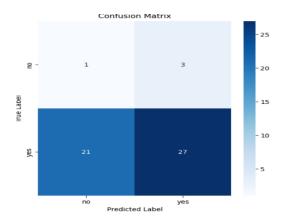




Our sixth model is ResNet where we used binary-cross entropy loss function, SGD optimizer, ReLU activation function, 10 number of epochs to avoid overfitting. In this model we used modules of Googlenet which contains the pre-defined layers in it. We can call that module using torchvision.models.googlenet. The highest accuracy obtained is 90.20% with a loss of 0.3845.







Platform: The code is written using Python and executed on the Google Colab platform. Google Colab is an online

platform provided by Google that allows users to create and run Jupyter Notebooks on Google's cloud servers.

Laptop Configuration: To work with Google Colab, all you need is a computer with a web browser and an internet connection. Google Colab provides cloud-based Jupyter Notebooks with access to GPUs or TPUs, allowing users to perform deep learning tasks without requiring powerful local hardware.

GPU Size: Google Colab offers different GPU types with varying memory sizes. The specific GPU size depends on the type of GPU allocated to your Colab session. In the code, the GPU is used to accelerate the training and inference of the deep learning models.

Deep Learning Framework: The code uses PyTorch, a popular deep learning framework, to implement and train all the models. PyTorch provides a wide range of tools and functionalities for building and training deep learning models efficiently.

Model Training: The code snippets define the 6 architecture models, set up the data loaders for training and testing the models, define loss functions, optimizers, and other necessary components for training. The models are trained on the training dataset, and their performance is evaluated on the test dataset.

GPU Acceleration: By utilizing Google Colab, the code leverages the GPU acceleration provided by Google significantly speed up the training process. This acceleration enables faster gradients computation of during backpropagation, leading quicker convergence during training.

6.CONCLUSION AND FUTURE WORK

In this research paper, we presented a comprehensive study on brain tumor detection using Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs) with six different types of architectures. We explored the

performance and effectiveness of each architecture in accurately detecting brain tumors from MRI images. Our experimental results demonstrated that CNN's are a powerful architecture for medical image analysis, showing promising performance in differentiating tumor regions from healthy brain tissue.

Among the six architectures tested, GoogleNet Architecture outperformed the others in terms of accuracy and sensitivity. These architectures showed robustness in handling variations in image features, leading to more reliable and consistent tumor detection. However, further studies and fine-tuning might be required to optimize the hyper parameters of these architectures and improve their performance.

Future Work:

While our research has provided valuable insights into brain tumor detection using CNNs, there are several avenues for further investigation and improvement:

- Augmentation Techniques: Future research can explore the application of advanced data augmentation techniques to enhance the generalization and robustness of the CNN models. Techniques such as rotation, scaling, and elastic deformations can be integrated to improve performance on different datasets.
- Transfer Learning: Investigating the use of transfer learning by pretraining the CNNs on large medical image datasets or related tasks could potentially lead to significant performance gains. Fine-tuning these pretrained models on brain tumor detection could result in better convergence and improved accuracy.
- Ensemble Models: Building ensemble models by combining the predictions of multiple CNN architectures may further enhance the overall accuracy and reduce the risk of overfitting.

- Class Imbalance: Addressing class imbalance in the dataset is crucial for accurate tumor detection. Future work could explore methods like oversampling, under sampling, or using class weights to tackle this issue.
- Explain ability and Interpretability: As medical applications are sensitive to trust and accountability, integrating explain ability methods to understand the CNN model's decision-making process can increase the reliability and adoption of such systems in clinical practice.
- Large-Scale Studies: Conducting largescale studies involving diverse datasets from multiple medical institutions would validate the generalization capability of the CNN models and demonstrate their effectiveness across different populations.

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