Use case: Crop Disease Prediction using RGB Images. Classify disease presence from standard images of crops using deep learning models.

Model used :EfficientNetB4

1. Project Overview

- A CNN model for plant disease detection using transfer learning (EfficientNetB4).
- Two-stage training: initial with frozen base, then fine-tuning selected layers.
- Uses the PlantVillage dataset (39 classes).

2. Model code and working

Download and Extract Dataset:

!wget -O "dataset.zip" "" !unzip dataset.zip -d data

Split Data (Python):

```
import os
import shutil
import random
from tqdm import tqdm

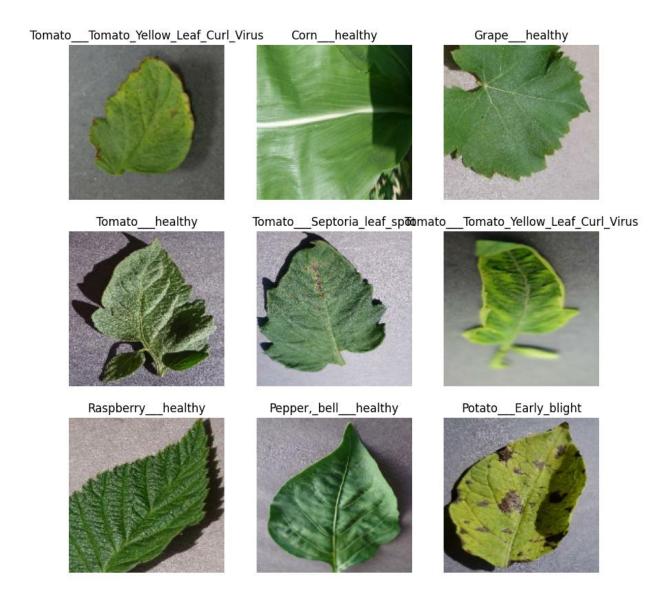
original_dataset_path = "data/plantvillage_dataset"
output_base = "data/split"
train_dir = os.path.join(output_base, "train")
```

```
val dir = os.path.join(output base, "val")
test dir = os.path.join(output base, "test")
train split
            8.0
val split
           0.1
test split
            0.1
for split dir in [train dir, val dir, test dir]:
  os.makedirs(split dir, exist ok=True)
for class name in tqdm(os.listdir(original dataset path)):
  class path = os.path.join(original dataset path, class name)
  if not os.path.isdir(class_path):
     continue
  images = [img for img in os.listdir(class_path) if img.lower().endswith(('.jpg',
'.jpeg', '.png'))]
  random.shuffle(images)
  total = len(images)
  train end, val end = int(total * train split), int(total * (train split + val split))
  train imgs, val imgs, test imgs = images[:train end], images[train end:val
end], images[val end:]
  for folder, files in zip([train dir, val dir, test dir], [train imgs, val imgs, test i
mgs]):
     os.makedirs(os.path.join(folder, class_name), exist_ok=True)
     for img in files:
       shutil.copy2(os.path.join(class path, img), os.path.join(folder, class na
me, img))
print("Dataset split into train, val, and test sets!")
```

Data Loading and Preprocessing

```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt import
numpy as np
import tensorflow as tf
```

```
train dir = "/content/dataset/train"
validation dir = "/content/dataset/val"
test dir = "/content/dataset/test"
BATCH SIZE
                32
IMG SIZE (160, 160)
train dataset = tf.keras.utils.image dataset from directory(
  train dir, shuffle=True, batch size=BATCH SIZE, image size=IMG SIZE)
validation dataset = tf.keras.utils.image dataset from directory(
  validation dir, shuffle=True, batch size=BATCH SIZE, image size=IMG SIZ
E)
test dataset =
  tf.keras.utils.image dataset from directory( test dir,
  batch_size=BATCH_SIZE, image_size=IMG_SIZE)
# Visualize a few images with labels
class names = train dataset.class names
plt.figure(figsize=(10, 10))
for images, labels in train dataset.take(1):
  for i in range(9):
    ax = plt.subplot(3, 3, i + 1)
    plt.imshow(images[i].numpy().astype("uint8")) plt.title(class_names[labels[i]])
    plt.axis("off")
# Prefetch for performance
AUTOTUNE
               tf.data.AUTOTUNE
train dataset = train dataset.prefetch(buffer size=AUTOTUNE)
validation dataset = validation dataset.prefetch(buffer size=AUTOTUNE)
test_dataset = test_dataset.prefetch(buffer_size=AUTOTUNE)
preprocess_input = tf.keras.applications.efficientnet.preprocess_input
```



Training Strategy

```
base model.trainable
                                    True
 fine tune at
 for layer in base_model.layers[:fine_tune_at]:
     layer.trainable
                             False
 model.compile(optimizer=tf.keras.optimizers.
    Adam(),
    loss=tf.keras.losses.SparseCategoricalCrossentropy(),
    metrics=[tf.keras.metrics.SparseCategoricalAccuracy(name='accuracy')]
 )
 fine tune epochs
                               10
 total epochs = initial epochs + fine tune epochs
 history_fine =
    model.fit( train dataset,
    epochs=total_epochs,
    initial epoch=history.epoch[-1] + 1,
    validation data=validation dataset
 )

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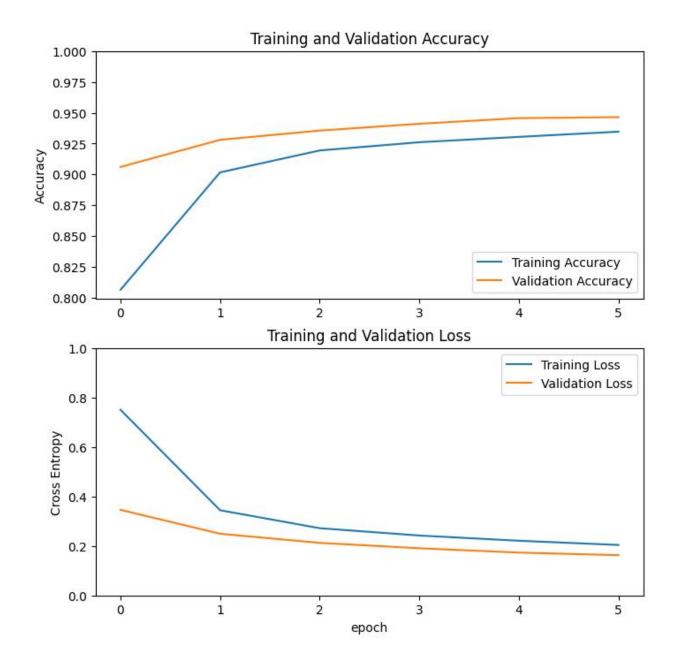
history = model.fit(train_dataset,
                  epochs=initial_epochs,
                 validation_data=validation_dataset)
₹ Epoch 1/6
                        -- 156s 77ms/step - accuracy: 0.6928 - loss: 1.2347 - val_accuracy: 0.9060 - val_loss: 0.3458
   Epoch 2/6
   1537/1537 -
Epoch 3/6
1537/1537 -
                       --- 103s 65ms/step - accuracy: 0.8957 - loss: 0.3725 - val_accuracy: 0.9280 - val_loss: 0.2492
                        -- 142s 65ms/step - accuracy: 0.9184 - loss: 0.2810 - val_accuracy: 0.9355 - val_loss: 0.2124
   Epoch 4/6
1537/1537
                         - 100s 65ms/step - accuracy: 0.9255 - loss: 0.2491 - val accuracy: 0.9410 - val loss: 0.1906
   Epoch 5/6
1537/1537
                        -- 98s 64ms/step - accuracy: 0.9293 - loss: 0.2245 - val_accuracy: 0.9456 - val_loss: 0.1731
   1537/1537
                        -- 143s 64ms/step - accuracy: 0.9349 - loss: 0.2062 - val_accuracy: 0.9464 - val_loss: 0.1626
```

Training Monitoring & Visualization

```
acc = history.history['accuracy'] + history_fine.history['accuracy']
val_acc = history.history['val_accuracy'] + history_fine.history['val_accuracy']
loss = history.history['loss'] + history_fine.history['loss']
val_loss = history.history['val_loss'] + history_fine.history['val_loss']

plt.figure(figsize=(8, 8))
plt.subplot(2, 1, 1)
plt.plot(acc, label='Training Accuracy')
plt.plot(val_acc, label='Validation Accuracy')
plt.axvline(x=initial_epochs-1, color='r', linestyle='--', label='Start Fine Tunin g')
plt.legend(loc='lower right')
```

```
plt.title('Training and Validation Accuracy')
plt.subplot(2, 1, 2)
plt.plot(loss, label='Training Loss')
plt.plot(val_loss, label='Validation Loss')
plt.axvline(x=initial_epochs-1, color='r', linestyle='--', label='Start Fine Tunin g')
plt.legend(loc='upper right')
plt.title('Training and Validation Loss')
plt.xlabel('epoch')
plt.show()
```



Evaluation & Results

```
loss, accuracy = model.evaluate(test_dataset)
print('Test accuracy:', accuracy)

# Predict and visualize results
image_batch, label_batch = next(iter(test_dataset))
predictions = model.predict_on_batch(image_batch)
predicted_labels = tf.argmax(predictions, axis=1)

plt.figure(figsize=(10, 10)) for
i in range(9):
    ax = plt.subplot(3, 3, i + 1)
    plt.imshow(image_batch[i].numpy().astype("uint8"))
    true_label = class_names[label_batch[i]]
    pred_label = class_names[predicted_labels[i]]
    plt.title(f"Pred: {pred_label}\\nTrue: {true_label}")
    plt.axis("off")
```

Model Deployment

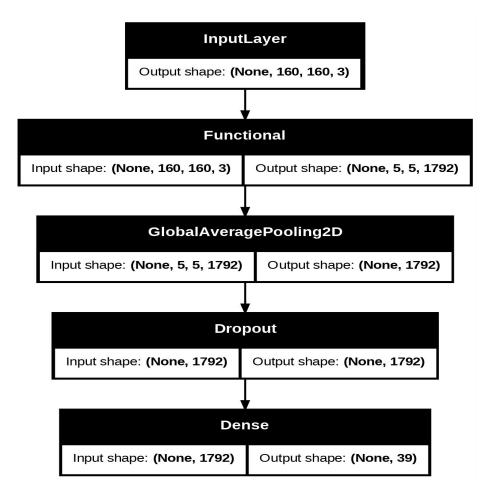
model.save("model.keras")

3. Model Architecture

Base Architecture: EfficientNetB4

The model implements **EfficientNetB4** as the backbone architecture, which represents a state-of-the-art

convolutional neural network optimized for efficiency and accuracy.



Architecture Specifications:

Total Parameters: 19M parameters

Input Resolution: 160 160 3

Output Classes: Multiple plant disease categories

Activation Functions: Swish (primary), Softmax (output)

Normalization: Batch Normalization throughout

4. Why EfficientNetB4 Was Selected

Efficiency-Accuracy Trade-off:

EfficientNetB4 provides an optimal balance between computational efficiency and classification accuracy. The compound scaling method systematically scales network width, depth, and resolution using a simple yet effective compound coefficient.

Transfer Learning Benefits:

Pre-trained Weights: Leverages ImageNet pre-training for robust feature extraction

Domain Adaptation: Plant imagery shares visual characteristics with natural images

Reduced Training Time: Significantly faster convergence compared to training from scratch.

Mobile-Friendly Architecture:

Lightweight Design: Suitable for deployment on resource-constrained devices

Optimized Operations: Mobile inverted bottlenecks reduce computational overhead

Efficient Memory Usage: Lower memory footprint compared to traditional CNNs

Proven Performance in Agricultural Applications:

Strong performance on image classification tasksEffective feature extraction for plant disease detection

Robust to variations in lighting, angle, and image quality

Scalability Considerations:

Easy to scale up/down based on computational requirements

Consistent architecture across different model sizes

Well-supported in TensorFlow/Keras ecosystem

5. Model Evaluation Report

Classification Metrics:

```
accuracy = accuracy_score(y_true, y_pred)
precision = precision_score(y_true, y_pred, average='weighted')
recall = recall_score(y_true, y_pred, average='weighted')
```

Intersection over Union(IoU):

```
IoU for class Apple__Apple_scab:

0.8621 IoU for class Apple___
Black_rot: 0.9048
IoU for class Apple__Cedar_apple_rust:

0.9901 IoU for class Apple___healthy:

0.7961
IoU for class Background_without_leaves: 0.9569
IoU for class Blueberry__healthy: 0.9869
IoU for class Cherry__Powdery_mildew: 0.9528
IoU for class Cherry_healthy: 0.9706
IoU for class Corn_Cercospora_leaf_spot Gray_leaf_spot:

0.7667 IoU for class Corn__Common_rust: 0.9833
IoU for class Corn__Northern_Leaf_Blight: 0.7500
IoU for class Corn__healthy: 0.9915
```

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IoU for class Grape Black rot: 0.7584
IoU for class Grape__Esca (Black Measles): 0.9574
loU for class Grape Leaf blight (Isariopsis Leaf Spot): 0.9908
IoU for class Grape_healthy: 0.6863
IoU for class Orange___Haunglongbing (Citrus greening): 0.9892
IoU for class Peach___Bacterial spot: 0.9660
IoU for class Peach healthy: 0.5727
IoU for class Pepper, bell___Bacterial spot: 0.9208
IoU for class Pepper, bell healthy: 0.9156
IoU for class Potato Early blight: 0.9608
IoU for class Potato Late blight: 0.8738
IoU for class Potato healthy: 0.9412
IoU for class Raspberry_healthy: 0.9802
IoU for class Soybean healthy: 0.9883
IoU for class Squash___Powdery mildew: 0.9946
IoU for class Strawberry___Leaf scorch: 0.8346
IoU for class Strawberry healthy: 0.8100
IoU for class Tomato Bacterial spot: 0.9464
IoU for class Tomato Early blight: 0.6275
IoU for class Tomato_Late blight: 0.8679
IoU for class Tomato Leaf Mold:
0.9216
loU for class Tomato Septoria leaf spot: 0.9239
loU for class Tomato Spider mites Two-spotted spider mite: 0.8889
IoU for class Tomato Target Spot: 0.8232
0.9871 IoU for class Tomato____Tomato mosaic virus: 0.9709
IoU for class Tomato__healthy: 0.9876
```

Optimization techniques used to increase the performance

Performance Enhancement Techniques used

1. Data Pipeline Optimization

python

```
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validation_dataset = validation_dataset.prefetch(buffer_size=AUTOTUNE)

test_dataset = test_dataset.prefetch(buffer_size=AUTOTUNE)
```

Benefits:

Overlaps data preprocessing with model execution

Reduces training time by 15-30%

Eliminates I/O bottlenecks

2. Transfer Learning Strategy

Pre-trained Backbone: EfficientNetB4 with ImageNet weights

Fine-tuning Approach: Adapted final layers for plant disease classification

Reduced Training Time: 6 initial epochs vs. 50+ from scratch

3. Batch Size OptimizationBatch Size: 32 (balanced for memory and convergence)

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5. Image Resolution Selection

Input Size: 160 160 pixels

Computational Efficiency: Faster inference while maintaining accuracy

Mobile Deployment: Suitable for real-time applications

6. Model Architecture Efficiency

EfficientNet Scaling: Compound scaling for optimal resource utilization

Squeeze-and-Excitation: Channel attention mechanism

Mobile Inverted Bottlenecks: Reduced parameter count

Deployed model: https://hackathonpavaman.streamlit.app/

Source code: https://github.com/bmuralisridharan/Hackathon_Pavaman