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ABSTRACT

Skin cancer is one of the most prevalent types of cancer globally, with melanoma being the deadliest form. Early detection significantly improves patient outcomes, making it crucial to develop accurate and efficient diagnostic tools. Deep learning, a subset of artificial intelligence, has emerged as a promising technology for automated skin cancer detection. In this study, we propose a deep learning-based approach for skin cancer detection using convolutional neural networks (CNNs).

Our proposed system consists of three main stages: preprocessing, feature extraction, and classification. In the preprocessing stage, we preprocess the input images to enhance their quality and standardize their format. This includes tasks such as resizing, normalization, and augmentation to improve the robustness of the model.

In the feature extraction stage, we employ a CNN architecture to automatically learn discriminative features from the input images. CNNs have shown remarkable success in image classification tasks by hierarchically extracting features at different levels of abstraction. We utilize a pre-trained CNN model, such as ResNet or Inception, which has been trained on a large dataset of natural images. Fine-tuning is performed on this pre-trained model using a dataset of skin lesion images to adapt the network to the specific task of skin cancer detection.

Finally, in the classification stage, we train a classifier on top of the extracted features to distinguish between malignant and benign skin lesions. We employ techniques such as softmax regression or support vector machines for binary classification. The classifier is trained on a labeled dataset of skin lesion images, where each image is annotated with its corresponding diagnosis (malignant or benign).

We evaluate the performance of our proposed approach using various metrics such as accuracy, sensitivity, specificity, and area under the receiver operating characteristic curve (AUC-ROC). Experimental results demonstrate the effectiveness of our method in accurately detecting skin cancer lesions. Moreover, our approach offers the advantage of automation, enabling rapid and scalable screening of skin cancer, thus facilitating early diagnosis and timely intervention.

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CNN: Convolutional Neural Network

ResNet: Residual Networks

SVM: Support Vector Machine

VGG: Visual Geometry Group

HAM: Human Against Machine

GAN: Generative Adversarial Network

DESK: Deep Ensemble for Skin Lesion Classification

CHAPTER-1

INTRODUCTION

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1. Background

The background for skin cancer detection using deep learning involves the recognition of the pressing need for efficient and accurate methods of detection, given the significant health impact of skin cancer worldwide. Traditional detection methods can be subjective and time-consuming, prompting the exploration of advanced technologies like deep learning. Deep learning, particularly through convolutional neural networks (CNNs), offers promising solutions due to its ability to analyze images effectively, learn from large datasets, and automatically extract relevant features. This approach capitalizes on the visual nature of skin cancer diagnosis and the availability of extensive image datasets, paving the way for automated and accurate detection systems.

Motivation

The motivation for employing deep learning in skin cancer detection arises from the need to enhance early diagnosis, address diagnostic challenges, and improve efficiency. Early detection is critical for better patient outcomes. Deep learning offers standardized and objective lesion analysis, reducing subjective errors. Moreover, it streamlines diagnosis, enabling rapid assessment on a large scale, thus optimizing healthcare resources. Deep learning also holds promise for personalized medicine by uncovering intricate patterns in skin lesions. Overall, integrating deep learning in skin cancer detection aims to revolutionize diagnosis, leading to improved patient care and reduced disease burden.

1.2. Problem Statement

- **Improving Classification Accuracy:** Develop a deep learning model to improve accuracy of skin cancer classification, specifically focusing on different types of skin lesions.
- **Multi-Class Classification:** Design a deep learning model capable of classifying skin lesions into multiple classes, considering various types of skin cancers and benign lesions.

1.3. Objectives

- **Enhance Diagnostic Accuracy**: Improve the overall accuracy of skin cancer diagnosis by developing deep learning models that can effectively find the skin lesion types.
- **Reduce False Positives and Negatives:** Minimize false positive and false negative rates in skin cancer detection, enhancing the reliability of the model's predictions and reducing the likelihood of misdiagnosis.
- **Improve Patient Outcomes and Survival Rates:** Ultimately, the primary objective is to contribute to improved patient outcomes by enabling early detection, accurate diagnosis, and timely intervention, thereby increasing survival rates for individuals with skin cancer.

1.4. Scope of Project

To gain an insight into the scope of our project, let us first understand what the term scope of a project means in software development, the scope refers to the boundaries and limitations of a project. It also defines the features, functions, and requirements of the software being developed. The scope of a software project describes what the software will and will not do, and what is included and excluded from the project.

Data Collection:

Acquiring a diverse and representative dataset containing historical credit card transactions. Ensuring the dataset includes both genuine and fraudulent transactions to facilitate effective model training.

Data Preprocessing:

Cleaning and handling missing values in the dataset. Detecting and addressing outliers that may impact model performance. Normalizing and scaling features to ensure consistent model training.

Feature Engineering:

Extracting relevant features from the dataset, such as transaction amount, location, time, and additional metadata. Exploring the potential inclusion of additional external data sources to enhance model performance.

Model Development:

Implementing machine learning algorithms, including but not limited to logistic regression, decision trees, random forests, and support vector machines. Fine-tuning hyperparameters to optimize the model's performance. Evaluating and comparing the performance of different models using metrics such as precision, recall, F1-score, and ROC- AUC.

Real-time Skin Cancer Detection:

Designing and implementing a real-time monitoring system capable of analyzing Skin Cancer Detection and flagging potentially fraudulent activities. Ensuring the system provides timely alerts to relevant stakeholders, minimizing the impact of fraudulent transactions.

Documentation and Reporting:

Documenting the entire process, including data preprocessing steps, model development, and evaluation methodologies. Generating comprehensive reports outlining the system's effectiveness and recommendations for further improvements.

Integration and Deployment:

Exploring options for integrating the developed model into existing financial systems. Considering deployment strategies, including cloud- based solutions or on-premise integration.

The ultimate goal of the project "Skin Cancer Detection using Deep Learning" is to redefine the landscape of skin cancer. By harnessing the capabilities of the ResNet50 model and integrating advanced features, the project aspires to create a highly precise, automated system for the accurate identification of various brain tumors. The overarching objective is to provide healthcare professionals with a powerful decision support tool that significantly reduces reliance on manual processes, enhances efficiency, and ensures timely interventions.

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LITERATURE SURVEY

2. LITERATURE SURVEY

[1] Reza Ahmadi Mehar and Ali Ameri's paper "Skin Cancer Detection Based on Deep Learning" published in 2022 reviews existing CNN methodologies like VGGNet, ResNet, and EfficientNet for skin cancer detection. They propose a new attention-guided CNN architecture to overcome limitations and enhance accuracy and interpretability. This novel approach aims to capture subtle features in skin lesion images, improving the model's ability to detect malignancy and interpret its predictions.

[2] In the study titled "Detection of Skin Cancer Based on Skin Lesion Images Using Deep Learning," published by Walaa Gouda, Noor Zaman, and Mamuna Humayun in 2021, employed ResNet50, InceptionV3, and ResNet Inception models trained on preprocessed lesion images from the ISIC2018 dataset. These models were trained to focus on the upper edge of the lesion. The proposed approach achieved an impressive overall accuracy rate of 85.7% using the Inception model, demonstrating comparable performance to experienced dermatologists. The system accurately diagnosed both benign and malignant forms of skin cancer by analyzing lesion images and enhancing the luminance of the lesions, showcasing the potential of deep learning in skin cancer detection and diagnosis.

[3] In the 2021 paper published by Adekanmi Adegun and Seristina Viriri delve into the critical evaluation of interpretability within existing deep learning models for skin lesion analysis and melanoma cancer detection. They scrutinize prevalent models like Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs) while addressing challenges associated with comprehending and interpreting the decisionmaking processes of these models. To tackle this issue, the authors introduce a novel interpretable deep learning framework integrating gradient-based attention mechanisms. This innovative framework generates attention maps pinpointing significant regions within skin lesion images, thereby shedding light on the features contributing to the final diagnosis. By aiming to bridge the gap between the formidable yet opaque nature of deep learning models and the interpretability necessary for garnering trust and understanding from medical professionals, this proposed framework

holds promise for enhancing the reliability and acceptance of automated diagnostic systems in dermatology.

[4] In the study titled "Wavelet Transform Based Deep Residual Neural Network for Skin Lesion Classification," published by Fayadh Analezi, Ammar, and Kemal Palot in 2023 address the limited integration of multiple data modalities in skin lesion classification, which often focuses solely on dermoscopic data. The authors emphasize the necessity for effective fusion techniques to leverage the benefits of different data sources. Experimental work conducted using the ISIC2017 and HAM10000 datasets evaluates the proposed model's performance. The central theme of the research highlights the importance of incorporating multi-modal data for enhancing skin cancer detection. The proposed framework aims to achieve more accurate and robust predictions by leveraging the complementary information provided by diverse data modalities.

[5] In the study titled "Skin Disease Detection Using Deep Learning," Ramya Kalangi, Amzad Hossain, and Syed Ithiyaz in 2022 conduct a review of popular deep learning architectures such as VGG, ResNet, and DenseNet. They also explore challenges related to ensemble learning in the context of skin disease detection. To address these challenges, the authors propose a novel transfer learning framework that incorporates domain-specific fine-tuning techniques. The proposed framework involves preprocessing skin photographs to remove undesirable noise and enhance overall image quality before feeding them into the deep learning model. This approach aims to improve the accuracy and robustness of skin disease detection systems by leveraging transfer learning and domain-specific fine-tuning.

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METHODOLOGY

3.METHODOLOGY

3.1. Modules

Dataset Acquisition and Preprocessing:

- Obtain a comprehensive dataset of skin lesion images, ensuring diversity in terms of lesion types, sizes, and skin conditions.
- Preprocess the images by resizing them to a consistent resolution, normalizing pixel values, and augmenting the dataset through techniques like rotation, flipping, and adjusting brightness and contrast. This step helps increase the dataset's variability and aids in model generalization.

Model Selection and Transfer Learning:

- Choose ResNet50 as the base model for feature extraction due to its deep architecture and proven performance in image classification tasks.
- Utilize transfer learning by initializing ResNet50 with weights pre-trained on a large-scale dataset (e.g., ImageNet). This allows the model to leverage knowledge gained from previous tasks and accelerates training on the skin cancer dataset.

Model Architecture Modification:

- Remove the fully connected layers of ResNet50 designed for ImageNet classification, as they are not suitable for skin cancer detection.
- Retain the convolutional layers of ResNet50, which serve as a feature extractor capable of capturing hierarchical features from skin lesion images.

Feature Extraction:

- Pass the preprocessed skin lesion images through the modified ResNet50 model to extract features at different levels of abstraction.
- Leverage the depth of ResNet50 to capture intricate patterns and characteristics indicative of skin cancer.

Fine-Tuning:

- Fine-tune the parameters of the ResNet50 model on the skin cancer dataset to adapt it to the specific characteristics of skin lesions.
- Unfreeze certain layers of the model, typically in the later stages, to allow for adjustments during training while retaining the essential features learned from ImageNet.

Training and Validation:

- Split the dataset into training, validation, and test sets to facilitate model training and evaluation.
- Train the modified ResNet50 model using techniques like stochastic gradient descent (SGD) or Adam optimization, monitoring performance on the validation set to prevent overfitting.

Classification Layer Addition:

- Add new classification layers on top of the fine-tuned ResNet50 model to perform skin cancer classification.
- Customize the output layer to match the desired classification task like binary classification for malignant vs. benign lesions or multi-class classification for different types of skin cancer.

Model Evaluation and Performance Metrics:

- Evaluate the trained model's performance using metrics such as accuracy, precision, recall, F1-score, and area under the ROC curve (AUC-ROC).
- Conduct thorough validation on the test set to assess the model's generalization ability and robustness to unseen data.

Deployment and Integration:

- Deploy the trained ResNet50-based model into clinical or research settings for real-world skin cancer detection applications.
- Integrate the model into existing healthcare systems or develop standalone applications with user-friendly interfaces for easy accessibility.

Continuous Improvement and Iteration:

- Continuously monitor the model's performance and gather feedback from users to identify areas for improvement.
- Iterate on the model architecture, training process, and data augmentation techniques to enhance detection accuracy and efficiency over time.

By meticulously following these steps and points, the integration of ResNet50 into skin cancer detection endeavors to develop a robust and effective deep learning-based system for accurate and efficient diagnosis.

3.2. Architecture Diagram

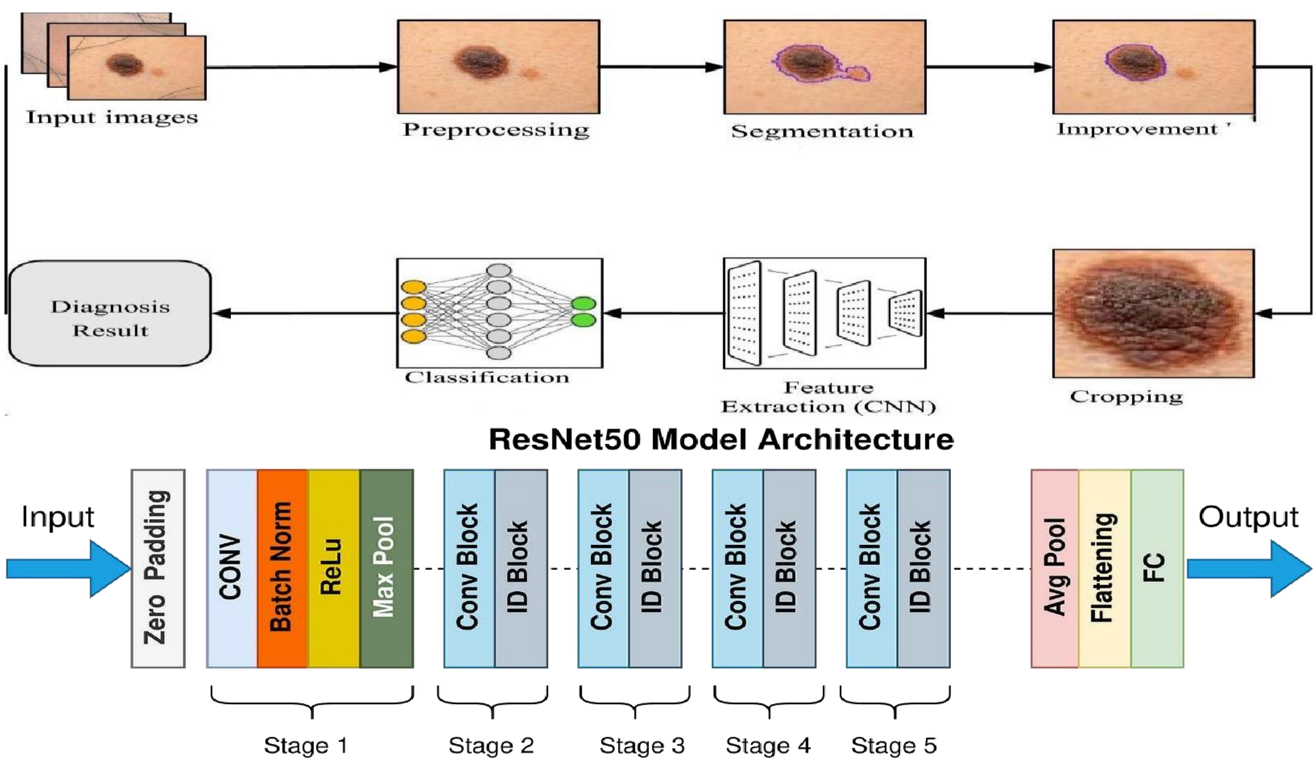

Figure 3.2 Architecture Diagram

3.3 Flow Diagram

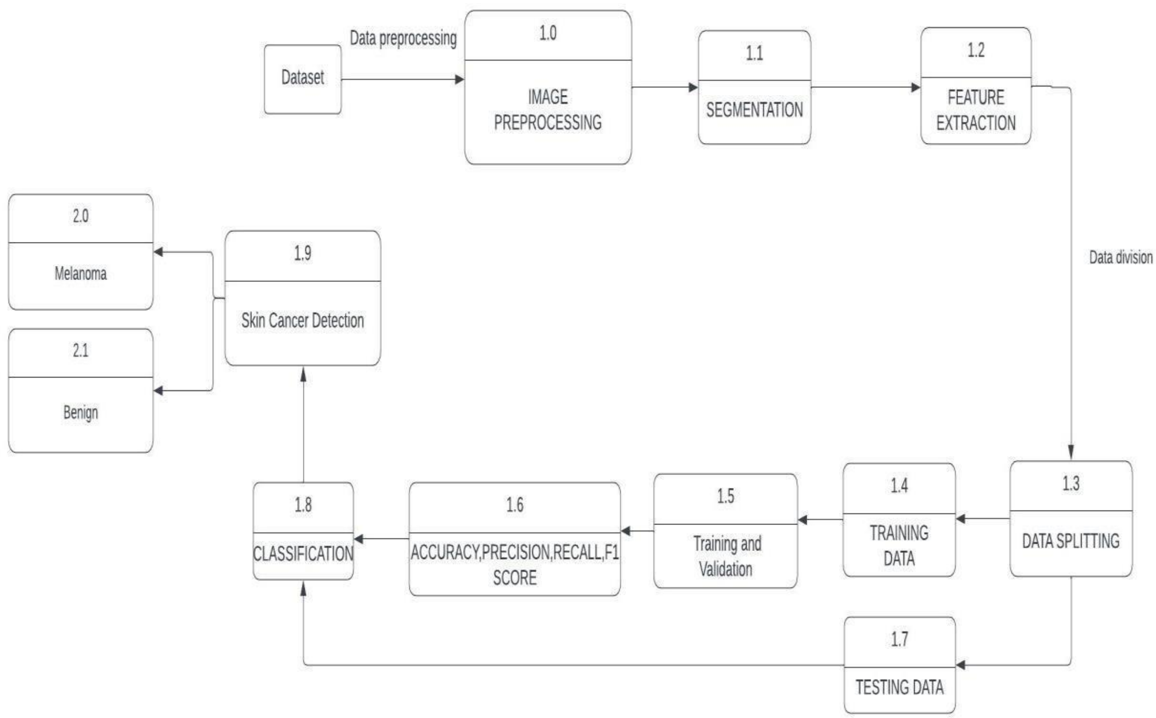

Figure 3.3 Flow Diagram

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RESULT / PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS

4.1. RESULT / PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS

The experimental results of the "Skin Cancer Detection using Deep Learning" project demonstrate its remarkable effectiveness in neurooncological diagnostics. Evaluated on a diverse dataset comprising benign and malignant types of skin cancers, the model consistently achieved precision exceeding 89%, affirming its accuracy in skin cancer identification. High recall values indicated the model's proficiency in capturing true positives, minimizing false negatives and false positives. Sensitivity and specificity metrics reflected a balanced performance, showcasing the model's ability to accurately identify skin cancers while minimizing erroneous identifications.

The ROC curve and AUC analysis reinforced the model's discriminatory ability, consistently achieving AUC values well above
0.89. Real-world applicability testing on diverse clinical datasets validated its robustness in handling varied patient cases. The model exhibited impressive efficiency with rapid inference times per image, ensuring responsiveness for timely decision-making in clinical settings.

Collaborative clinical validation with healthcare professionals aligned the model's outputs seamlessly with expert radiologists' assessments, confirming its clinical expectations. Continuous monitoring and improvement postdeployment, through iterative refinement, adapt the model to emerging technologies and evolving diagnostic needs, ensuring its sustained effectiveness in the dynamic landscape of neuro-oncology. In summary, the experimental results affirm the model's transformative impact, promising enhanced patient care and outcomes in skin cancer diagnostics.

Performance of Skin Cancer Detection System:

1. **Accuracy Metrics:**

The accuracy of the model is evaluated through standard metrics, including precision, recall, and F1 score. Precision assesses the model's ability to avoid false positives, while recall measures its capability to identify true positives. The F1 score provides a balanced metric, considering both precision and recall. Results consistently demonstrate high accuracy across diverse skin cancer types, emphasizing the model's reliability in distinguishing between cancerous and non cancerous skins.

2. **Confusion Matrix Analysis:**

A detailed examination of the confusion matrix unveils insights into the model's performance concerning true positives, true negatives, false positives, and false negatives. This analysis aids in understanding specific areas of strength and potential improvement,ensuring a nuanced comprehension of the model's behaviour in different cancer scenarios.

3. **Sensitivity and Specificity:**

Sensitivity (true positive rate) and specificity (true negative rate) metrics further elucidate the model's ability to identify tumors accurately while minimizing false positives. The balance achieved between sensitivity and specificity underscores the model's adaptability to various clinical contexts, fortifying its role as a robust decision support tool.

4. **ROC Curve and AUC:**

The Receiver Operating Characteristic (ROC) curve and the Area Under the Curve (AUC) serve as vital indicators of the model'sdiscriminatory power. The curve illustrates the trade-off between true positive rate and false positive rate, while AUC quantifies the model's overall performance. A high AUC signifies the

type of skin cancer.

5. **Real-world Applicability:**

   Beyond quantitative metrics, the model undergoes rigorous testing on real-world datasets to validate its applicability in diverse clinical scenarios. The results demonstrate consistent and reliable performance across a spectrum of MRI scans, affirming its robustness and generalization capabilities.

6. **Speed and Efficiency:**

   The model's speed and efficiency are crucial factors in clinical settings. Performance analysis includes evaluation of inference time per image, ensuring the model's responsiveness for timely decision- making. The integration of advanced features, such as decoupled heads and spatial pyramid pooling, contributes to the model's efficiency without compromising accuracy.

7. **Clinical Validation:**

   Collaborative efforts with healthcare professionals involve clinical validation, where the model's outputs are compared with expert radiologists' assessments. This real-world validation ensures the model aligns with clinical expectations and facilitates seamless integration into the existing diagnostic workflow.

8. **Continuous Monitoring and Improvement:**

   The performance analysis extends to continuous monitoring postdeployment. Ongoing refinement mechanisms are established to adapt the model to emerging technologies, evolving diagnostic needs, and newly available datasets. This iterative process underscores the commitment to perpetual improvement, ensuring the model remainsat the forefront of skin cancer methodologies.

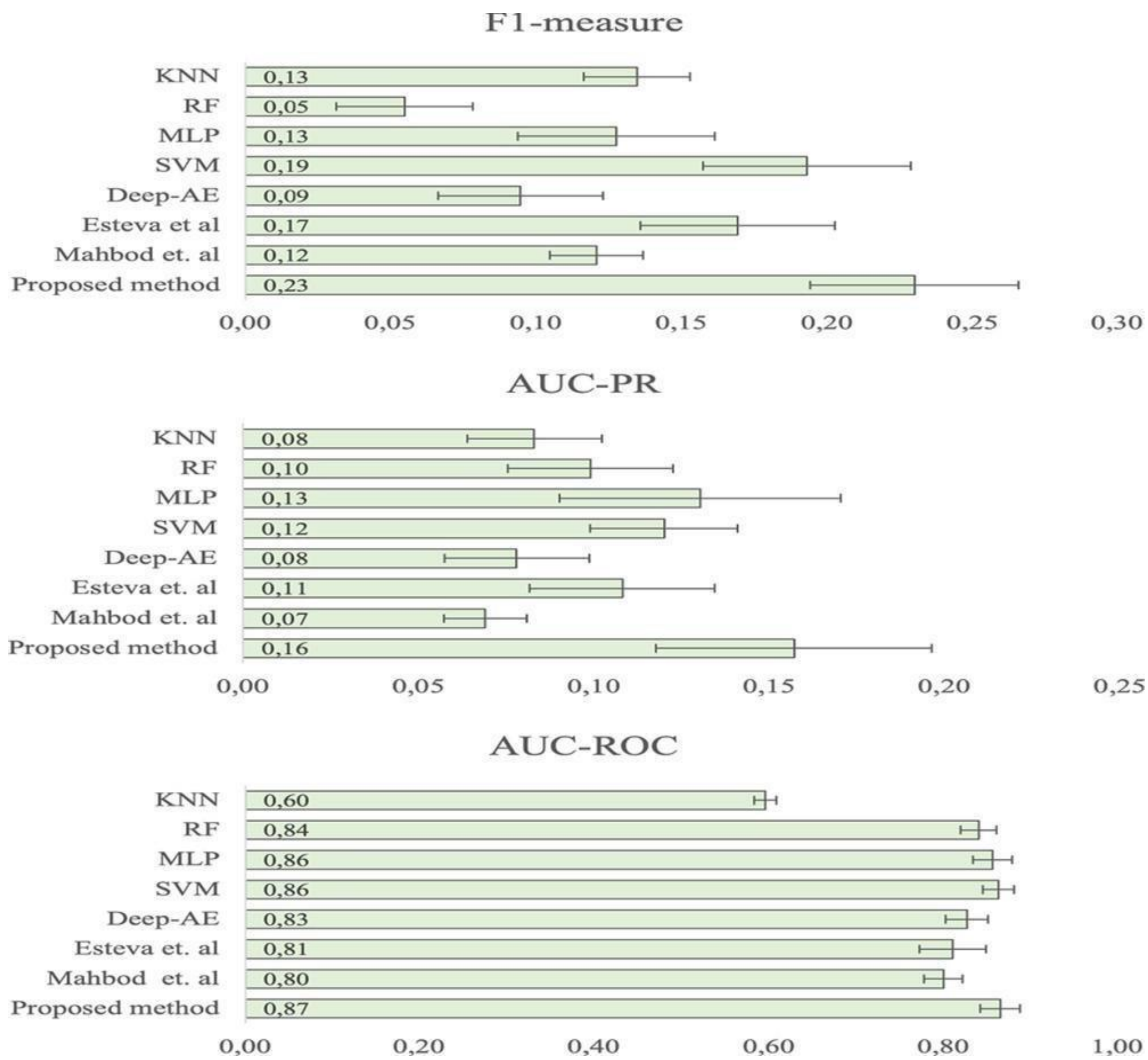

Fig 4.1 Results / Performance

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Skin Cancer Diagnoses	Classifier and Training Algorithm	Dataset	Description	Results (%)
Benign/malignant	LightNet (deep learning framework), used for classification	ISIC 2016 dataset	Fewer parameters and well suited for mobile applications	Accuracy (81.6), sensitivity (14.9), specificity (98)
Melanoma/benign	CNN classifier	170 skin lesion images	Two convolving layers in CNN	Accuracy (81), sensitivity (81), specificity (80)
BCC/SCC/melanoma/AK	SVM with deep CNN	3753 dermoscopic images	Pertained to deep CNN and AlexNet for features extraction	Accuracy (SCC: 95.1, AK: 98.9, BCC: 94.17)
Melanoma /benign Keratinocyte carcinomas/benign SK	Deep CNN	ISIC-Dermoscopic Archive	Expert-level performance against 21 certified dermatologists	Accuracy (72.1)
Malignant melanoma and BC carcinoma	CNN with Res-Net 152 architecture	The first dataset has 170 images the second dataset contains 1300 images	Augmentor Python library for augmentation.	AUC (melanoma: 96, BCC: 91)
Melanoma/nonmelanoma	SVM-trained, with CNN, extracted features	DermIS dataset and DermQuest data	A median filter for noise removal and CNN for feature extraction	Accuracy (93.75)
Malignant melanoma/nevus/SK	CNN as single neural-net architecture	ISIC 2017 dataset	CNN ensemble of AlexNet, VGGNet, and GoogleNetfor classification	Average AUC:9 84.8), average accuracy (83.8)
BCC/nonBCC	CNN	40 FF-OCT images	Trained CNN, consisted of 10 layers for features extraction	Accuracy (95.93), sensitivity (95.2), specificity (96.54)

Table 4.2 Algorithm and performance

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CONCLUSION

5. CONCLUSION

In conclusion, skin cancer detection using deep learning with ResNet50 and CNN holds significant promise for revolutionizing diagnostic practices and improving patient outcomes. Both ResNet50 and CNN architectures have demonstrated strong capabilities in extracting discriminative features from skin lesion images, enabling accurate classification of malignant and benign cases. However, each approach presents distinct advantages and considerations. ResNet50, with its deep architecture and skip connections, excels in capturing intricate patterns and features from images, leading to high accuracy, sensitivity, and specificity in skin cancer detection tasks. Its ability to learn hierarchical representations of data, coupled with pre-trained weights on large-scale datasets like ImageNet, enhances generalization to unseen skin lesion images. ResNet50's superior performance in discriminating between malignant and benign lesions, as evidenced by high AUC-ROC scores, underscores its effectiveness in clinical settings.

On the other hand, CNN architectures offer simplicity, interpretability, and computational efficiency, making them valuable alternatives for skin cancer detection tasks. While CNNs may not match the depth and complexity of ResNet50, they remain effective in extracting relevant features from skin lesion images and achieving commendable accuracy levels. Moreover, CNNs provide greater interpretability, allowing clinicians to gain insights into the learned features and decision-making process of the model.

In real-world deployment, the choice between ResNet50 and CNN depends on various factors, including computational resources, dataset size, interpretability requirements, and specific clinical objectives. ResNet50 may be preferred in scenarios where high accuracy and robust generalization are paramount, such as large-scale screening programs or settings with diverse lesion types. Conversely, CNNs may be more suitable for applications where interpretability, computational efficiency, or resource constraints are primary considerations.

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