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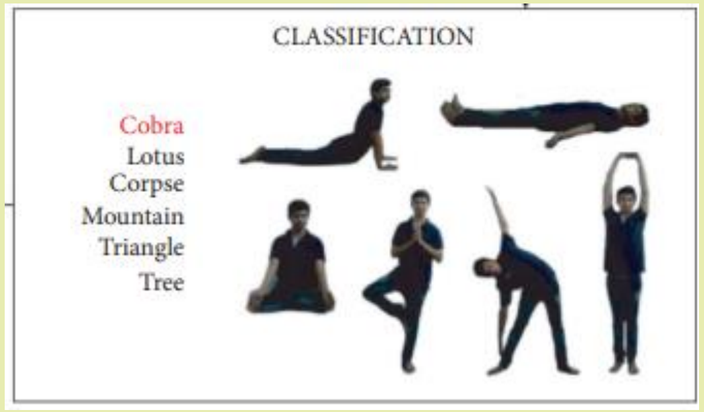
PROJECT TITLE

Pose Detection and Feedback Generation
for different Yoga Asanas

Motivation

- Incorrect yoga postures can cause harm and reduce effectiveness.
- Self-learning is on the rise, but it lacks real-time corrections.
- Need for automated pose detection to assist learners with proper form.



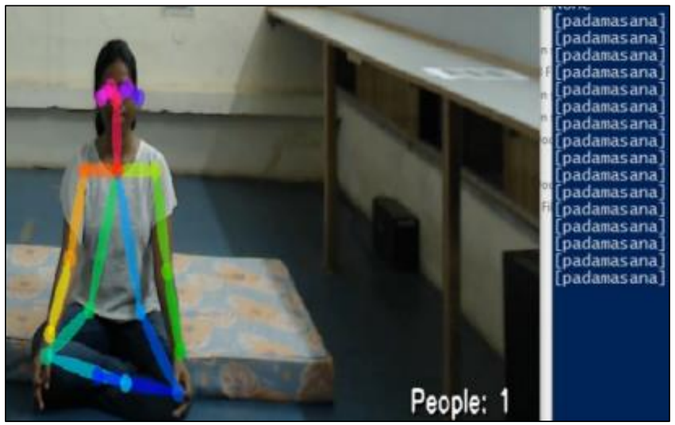
Problem Statement

- Create a comprehensive classification framework for yoga poses, with the goal of accurately identifying the specific posture being demonstrated by the participant in a given video recording.

- Develop a structured feedback mechanism for evaluating yoga pose videos, focusing on aligning them with the standards of an ideal yoga demonstration.

Proposed Solution

- Built a CNN-LSTM model to classify yoga asanas from video.
- Captured both spatial (body joints) and temporal (movement over time) features.
- Compared performed poses with ideal ones, including intermediate stages.
- Identified joint-wise deviations for accurate feedback.
- Generated step-by-step suggestions to improve posture.
- Aimed to guide users toward correct and safe pose execution.



Classification or Detection of Yoga Asana

Name of Yoga asana	Effective posture	Ineffective posture	Details about ineffective postures
Anantasana			Wrong Leg bending, Hand and Neck position
Ardhakati Chakrasana			Wrong Legs distance and hand position

Feedback Generation for Correcting Posture

Dataset

The following datasets have been used to train our current model for classification and feedback generation

1. A publicly available, online, open-source collection dataset

The dataset comprises of 88 videos of 6 yoga asanas performed by different person. All the videos are collected for more than 45 s in an indoor environment. The total length of 88 videos for training is 1 h 6 min and 5 s at 30 frames per second, that is, a total of about 111,750 frames.

2. YouTube Tutorial Videos - Alo Moves - Online Yoga & Fitness Videos

This dataset includes 48 yoga asanas with full-length tutorials that provide step-by-step guidance We have created our own dataset for six asanas, collecting four correct key frames from the beginning to intermediate to the final position for each asana. This allows us to compare any test asana video and provide feedback.

Pipeline of the project

Input videos (pre-recorded) and frames extraction

Extract key points/joint locations for each frame

Model training to classify yoga asana

Final testing and prediction

Angles and vector calculations for test and correct yoga asana

Find the closest frames to the ideal intermediate and final yoga poses to create feedback checkpoints

Comparing test pose frames with intermediate correct pose frames

Give feedback until the user reach correct intermediate state

Repeat this for multiple intermediate states until user reaches the final posture

Final feedback and suggestions

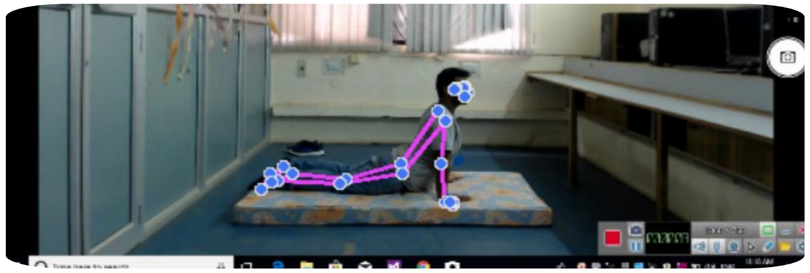
Detailed Description Of The Work Done

Classification of Yoga Asanas

Video Frames Extraction, Automated Pose Landmark Extraction, and JSON Data Formatting:

- We have utilized OpenCV and MediaPipe libraries to automatically extract pose landmark data i.e. 33 keypoints/joint locations from frames of 88 video files (6 Yoga Asanas).
- By iterating through frames, it detects key body landmarks, and we have also skipped 9 frames for efficient processing and optimization.
- This pose data(landmarks) is then aggregated into JSON format for further analysis.

Key-points extraction of single frame



Key-points extraction of a video

Classification of Yoga Asanas

Pre-Processing:

- Loaded pose data from JSON files representing yoga videos.
- Split the dataset into **training**, **validation**, and **test** sets.
- Applied a **sliding window** technique with window_size = 10.
- Created multiple test cases, each with 10 consecutive frames.
- Assigned a label to each test case based on the corresponding yoga asana.
- Prepared the data for input into the CNN-LSTM model.

```
train_list = []
#list of asanas, each asana has all it's videos, each video has list of s
val_list = []
test_list = []
# print("ok")
for a in asanas:
    print("ok")
    currAsanaTrain = []
    currAsanaVal = []
    currAsanaTest = []
    path = data_path + "\\" +  a
    for i in range(1,17):
        # print("ok")
        currVideo = []
        start =  str(i) + "_"
        for filename in os.listdir(path):
            data = []
            # print(i)
            if filename.startswith(start):
                #get data from file
                # print("o")
                with open(path + "\\" + filename) as json_data:
                    # print("ok1")
                    d = json.load(json_data)
                    # print(d)
                    npdata = np.asarray(d)
                    # print(npdata.shape)
                    # print(npdata.shape)
                    Xdata = npdata[:,:,0]
                    Ydata = npdata[:,:,1]
                    # print(len(Ydata))
                    # print(Xdata)
                    stk = np.dstack((Xdata, Ydata)) #stack vertically
                    currVideo.append(stk)
                    # print(stk)
                # print("ok")
        #print currVideo
        if a == 'vrikshasan' and i == 15:
            # this one has difference and creates noise
            currAsanaTrain.append(currVideo)
        elif (i+1)%5 == 0 and len(currVideo) != 0:
            currAsanaTest.append(currVideo)
```

Model Training:

- Then we implemented our human pose recognition deep learning model using Keras with TensorFlow.

```
def get_model():
    model = Sequential([
        TimeDistributed(Conv1D(16,3, activation='elu', padding = "same"),input_shape=XchTrain.shape[1:]),
        TimeDistributed(BatchNormalization()),
        #TimeDistributed(MaxPooling1D()),
        TimeDistributed(Dropout(0.5)),
        #TimeDistributed(Conv1D(64,3, activation='relu',padding = "same")),
        BatchNormalization(),
        #TimeDistributed(Dropout(0.8)),
        TimeDistributed(Flatten()),
        #TimeDistributed(Dense(30,activation='softmax')),
        LSTM(20,unit_forget_bias = 0.5, return_sequences = True),
        TimeDistributed(Dense(6,activation='softmax'))
    ])
    adam = Adam(lr=0.0001)
    model.compile(loss='categorical_crossentropy',
                  optimizer= adam,
                  metrics=['accuracy'])
    return model
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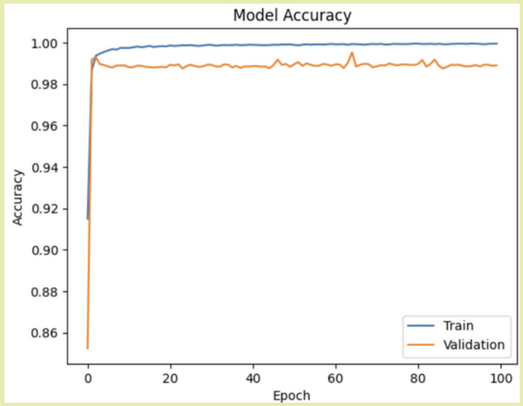
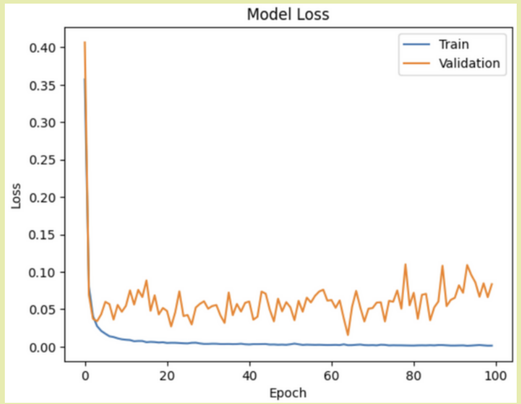
Model Architecture

- Visualized the training and validation accuracy and loss over 100 epochs using Matplotlib.

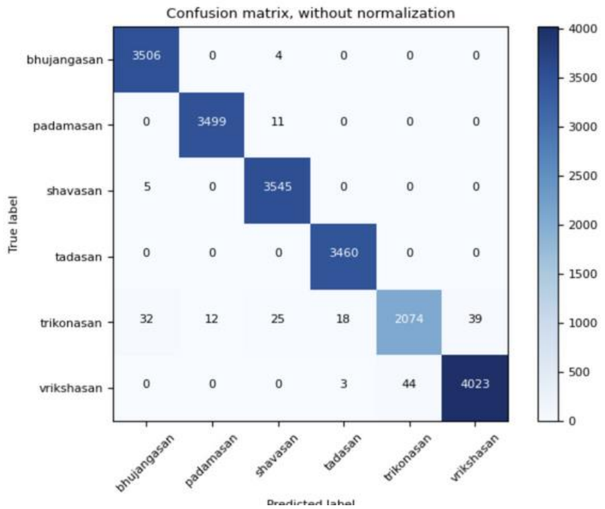


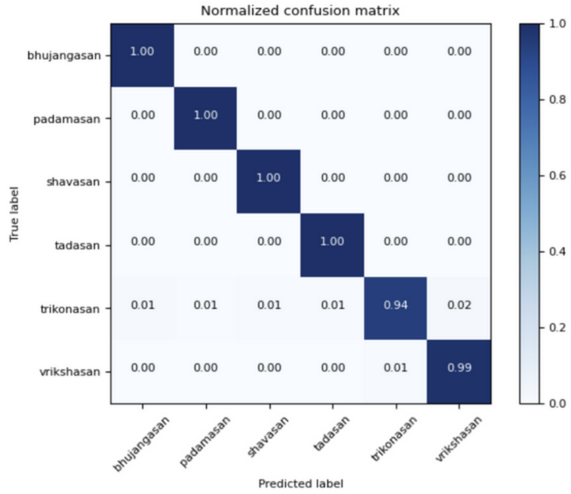


Classification of Yoga Asanas

Model Evaluation:

- The model demonstrated exceptional performance on the test data, achieving a framewise accuracy of 99.05%. Employing polling techniques further improved accuracy to an impressive 99.66%.





Feedback generation for different yoga asanas

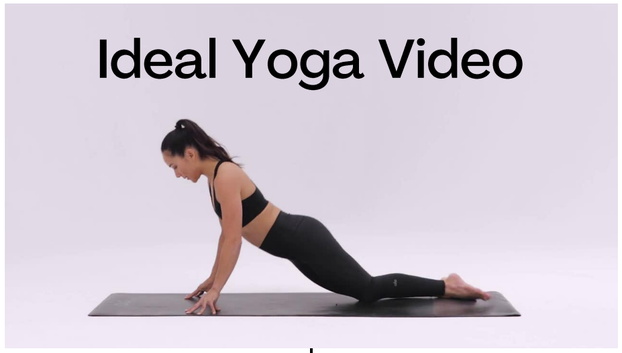
Identifying the best intermediate poses:

- We identified the frames with the closest angles in the test video compared to the correct intermediate poses (as mentioned in dataset 2) and collect these intermediate states.

Feedback Generation:

- Performed angular comparison for test video frames to the correct intermediate poses and provide feedback based on how closely the video frames match the intermediate poses.
- Provide feedback on joint angles to help the user improve their form in the test video.

Demonstration of Ideal Dhanuarasana poses



Ideal Start Frame

Ideal/Correct Intermediate Frame 1

Ideal/Correct Intermediate Frame 2

Ideal Final Frame

These frames are chosen and stored manually by us for different yoga asanas

Demonstration of generated Intermediate Dhanuarasana poses in a test video

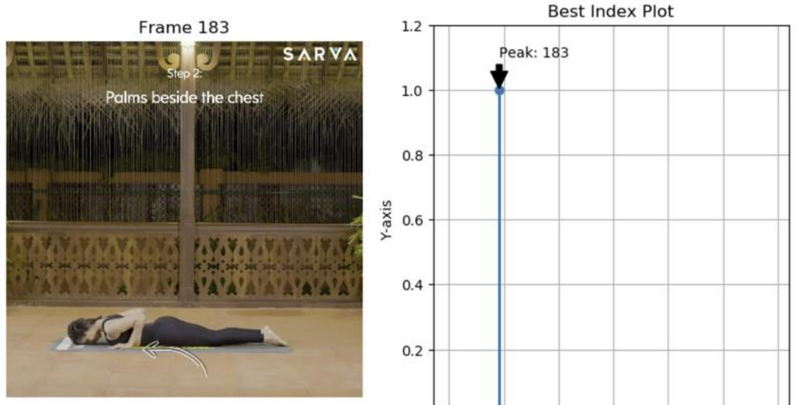
Closest Start Frame

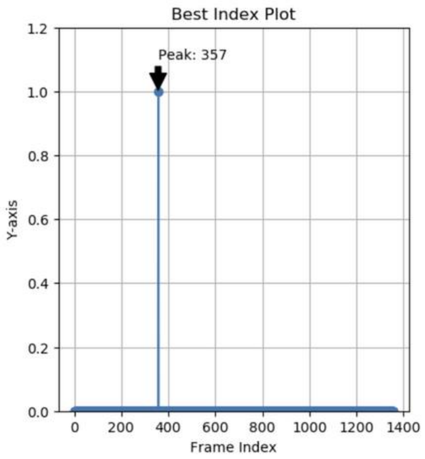
Closest Intermediate Frame 1

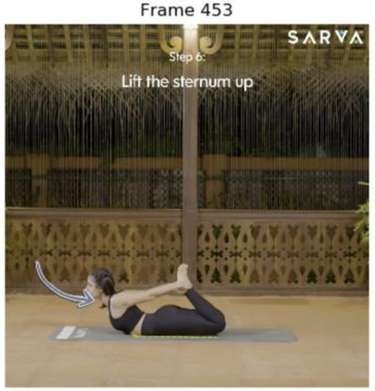
Closest Intermediate Frame 2

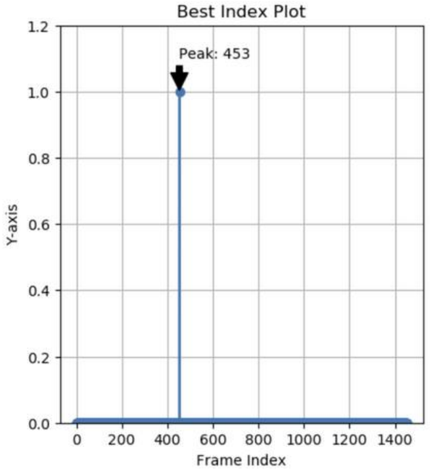
Closest Final Frame

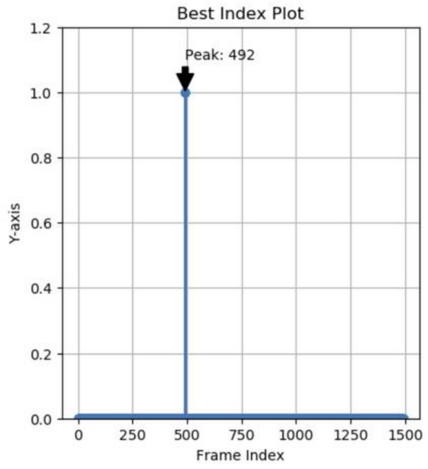
Demonstration of the Closest/Best frames on test video

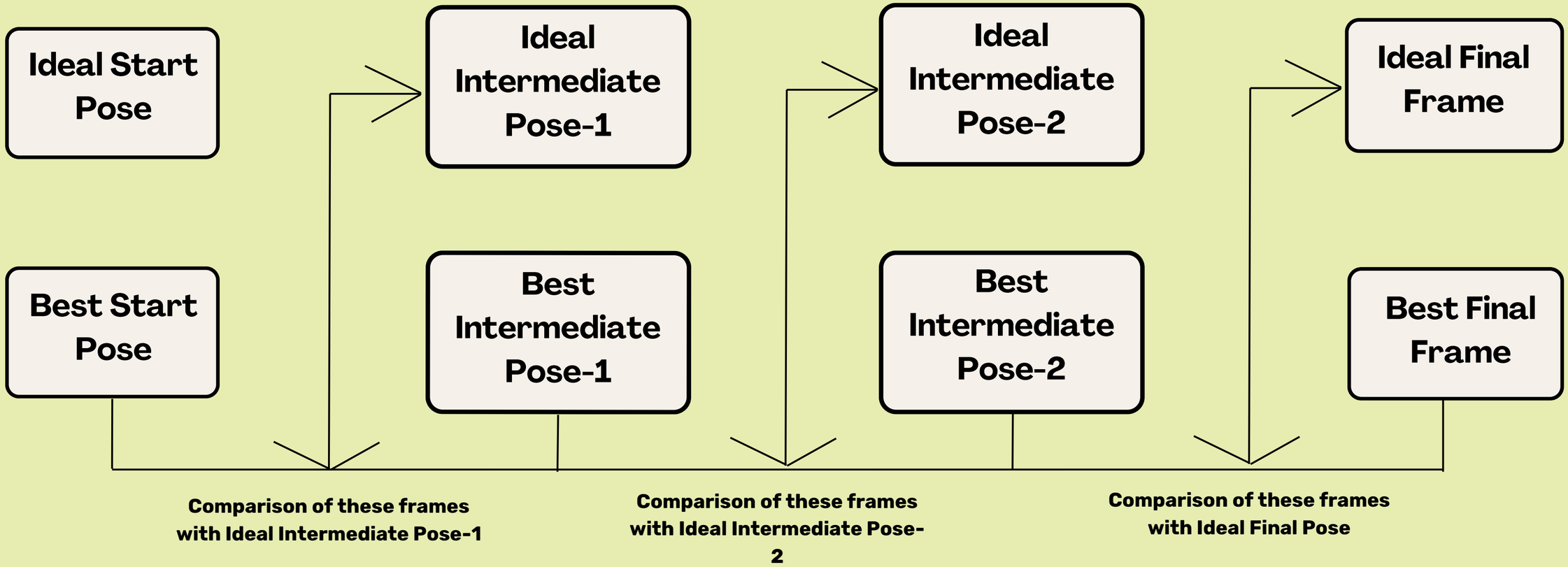












Feedback Generation

Our feedback series begins by comparing initial frames with the first ideal intermediate pose. It advances until the test frame reaches intermediate pose 1. Subsequently, frames are compared with ideal intermediate frame 2 until the next checkpoint, then transitioning again. This systematic process continues until we reach the final yoga pose.

Research Papers

We have primarily used the following reasearch paper to build our model

- Yadav SK, Singh A, Gupta A, Raheja J (2019) Real-time yoga recognition using deep learning.
  https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s00521-019-04232-7#Abs1

Other papers used for reference and understanding

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