

Date Fruit Image Classification

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Introduction

This project centers on leveraging **machine learning** to automate the classification of **date fruit images**. By utilizing a custom **Convolutional Neural Network (CNN)**, we aim to improve the efficiency and accuracy of identifying different date types, enhancing productivity and ensuring consistent quality standards in date classification.

Dataset

The dataset consists of images of **9 date fruit types**, including Ajwa, Galaxy, Mejdool, Meneifi, NabtatAli, Rutab, Shaishe, Sokari and Sugaey.

Rutab



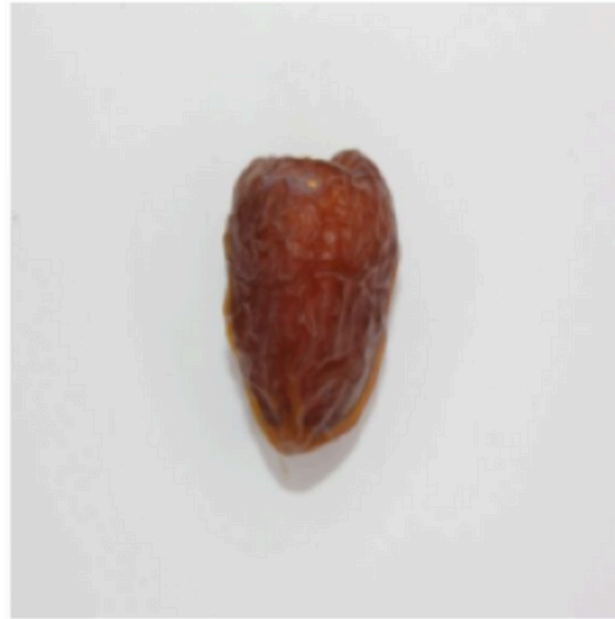
Galaxy



NabtatAli



Galaxy



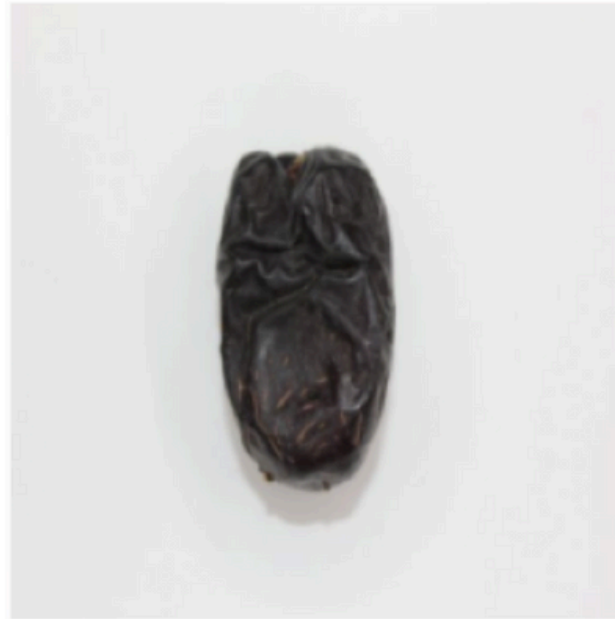
Shaishe



Galaxy



Ajwa



Meneifi

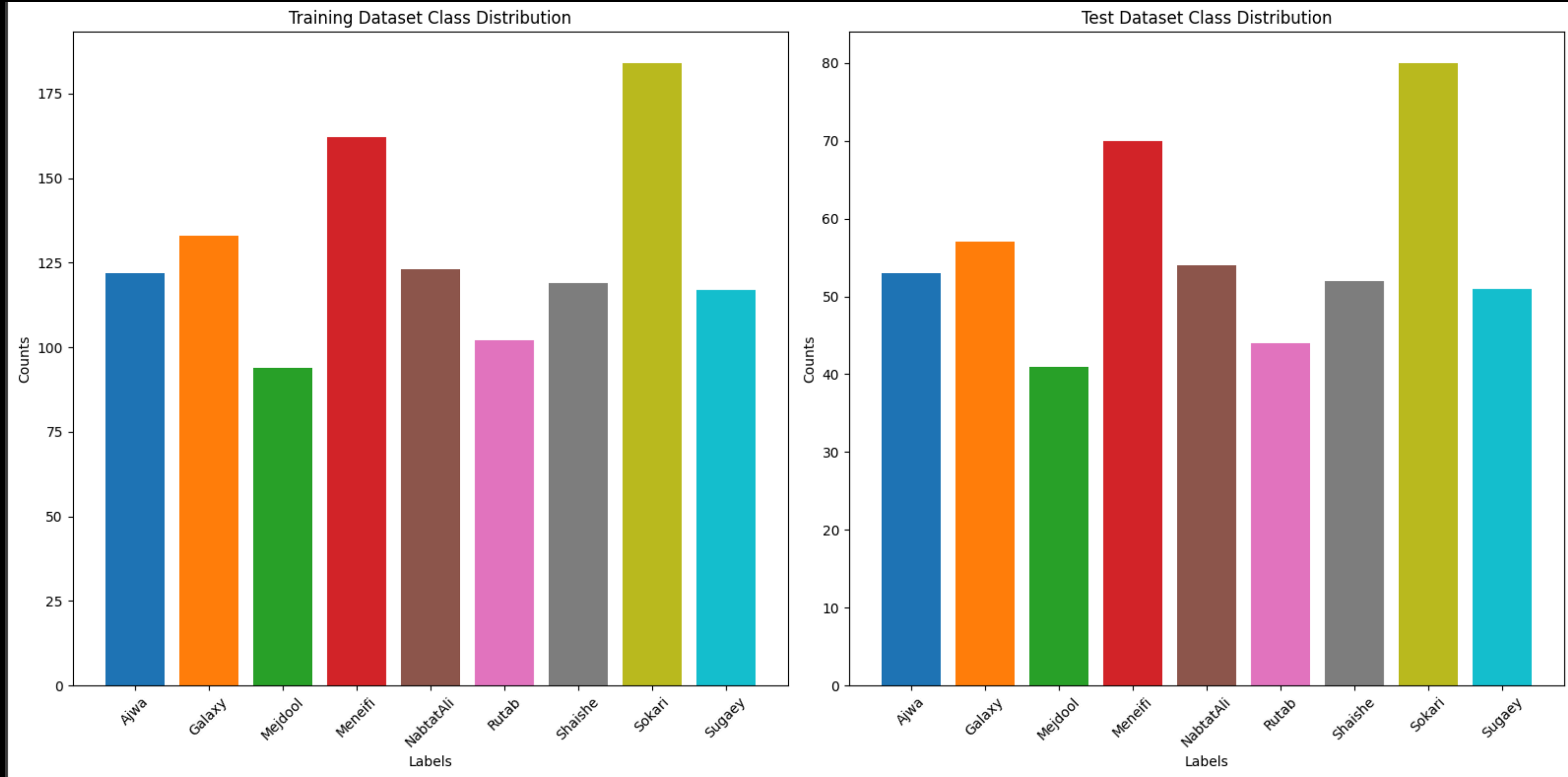


Sokari



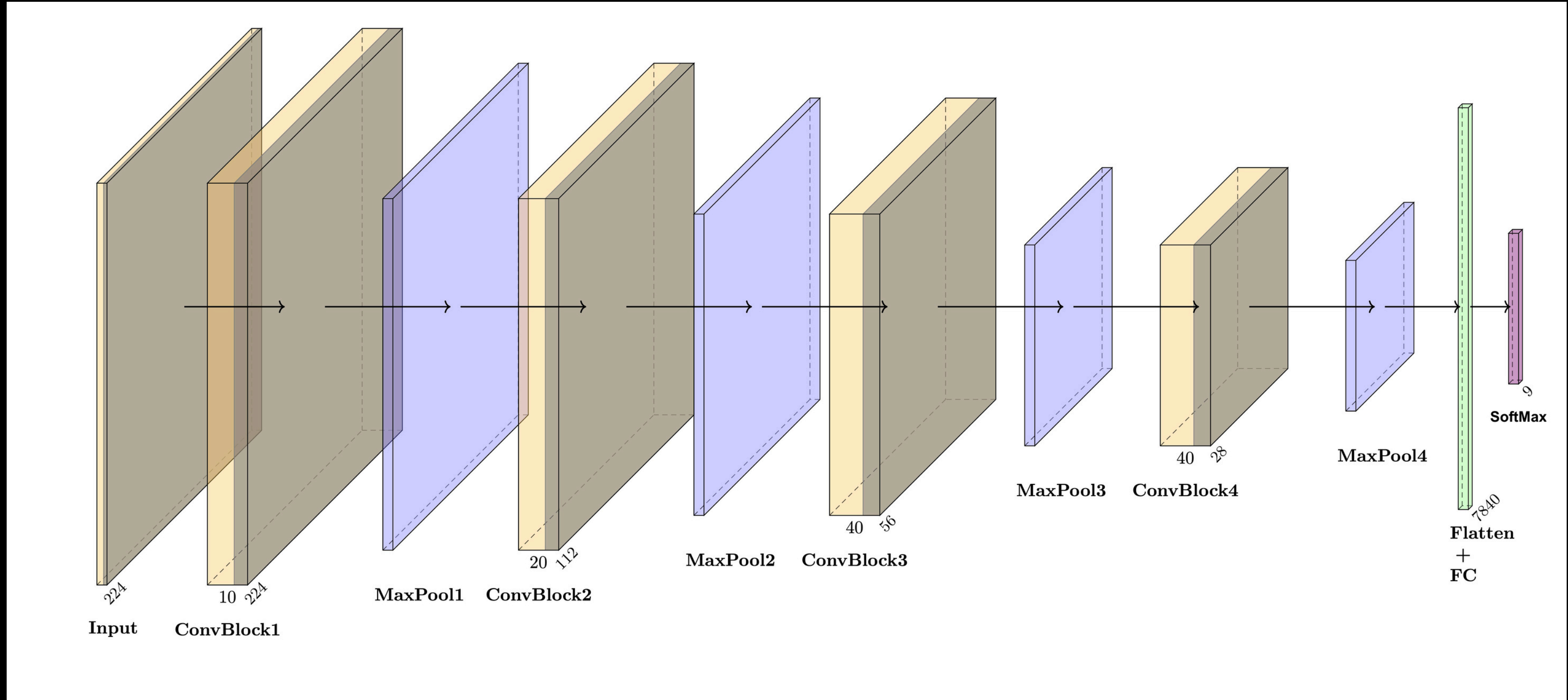
Class Distribution

- Training Set: 1,156 images
- Test Set: 502 images



Model Architecture

A **custom** Convolutional Neural Network (CNN) designed specifically for classifying date fruit images.



Model Architecture

Architecture Details

- Input Layer: Accepts images of size 224x224x3.
- Convolutional Blocks:
 - 4 convolutional blocks, each followed by:
 - Batch Normalization
 - ReLU Activation
 - Max Pooling
- Fully Connected Layer:

Flattens the feature maps into a single vector.

Applies Dropout (rate: 0.5) to reduce overfitting.

Outputs class scores for 9 date fruit types.

Model Summary:

Total Parameters: 128,199

Activation Function: ReLU

Final Layer Activation: Softmax

Layer (type:depth-idx)	Output Shape	Param #
Date_Custom_CNN	[1, 9]	--
└Sequential: 1-1	[1, 10, 112, 112]	--
└Conv2d: 2-1	[1, 10, 224, 224]	280
└BatchNorm2d: 2-2	[1, 10, 224, 224]	20
└ReLU: 2-3	[1, 10, 224, 224]	--
└Conv2d: 2-4	[1, 10, 224, 224]	910
└BatchNorm2d: 2-5	[1, 10, 224, 224]	20
└ReLU: 2-6	[1, 10, 224, 224]	--
└MaxPool2d: 2-7	[1, 10, 112, 112]	--
└Sequential: 1-2	[1, 20, 56, 56]	--
└Conv2d: 2-8	[1, 20, 112, 112]	1,820
└BatchNorm2d: 2-9	[1, 20, 112, 112]	40
└ReLU: 2-10	[1, 20, 112, 112]	--
└Conv2d: 2-11	[1, 20, 112, 112]	3,620
└BatchNorm2d: 2-12	[1, 20, 112, 112]	40
└ReLU: 2-13	[1, 20, 112, 112]	--
└MaxPool2d: 2-14	[1, 20, 56, 56]	--
└Sequential: 1-3	[1, 40, 28, 28]	--
└Conv2d: 2-15	[1, 40, 56, 56]	7,240
└BatchNorm2d: 2-16	[1, 40, 56, 56]	80
└ReLU: 2-17	[1, 40, 56, 56]	--
└Conv2d: 2-18	[1, 40, 56, 56]	14,440
└BatchNorm2d: 2-19	[1, 40, 56, 56]	80
└ReLU: 2-20	[1, 40, 56, 56]	--
└MaxPool2d: 2-21	[1, 40, 28, 28]	--
└Sequential: 1-4	[1, 40, 14, 14]	--
└Conv2d: 2-22	[1, 40, 28, 28]	14,440
└BatchNorm2d: 2-23	[1, 40, 28, 28]	80
└ReLU: 2-24	[1, 40, 28, 28]	--
└Conv2d: 2-25	[1, 40, 28, 28]	14,440
└BatchNorm2d: 2-26	[1, 40, 28, 28]	80
└ReLU: 2-27	[1, 40, 28, 28]	--
└MaxPool2d: 2-28	[1, 40, 14, 14]	--
└Sequential: 1-5	[1, 9]	--
└Flatten: 2-29	[1, 7840]	--
└Dropout: 2-30	[1, 7840]	--
└Linear: 2-31	[1, 9]	70,569
Total params: 128,199		
Trainable params: 128,199		
Non-trainable params: 0		
Total mult-adds (Units.MEGABYTES): 218.65		
Input size (MB): 0.60		
Forward/backward pass size (MB): 29.10		
Params size (MB): 0.51		
Estimated Total Size (MB): 30.22		

Data Augmentation

Techniques Applied:

1. Resize:

- All images resized to 224x224 pixels for uniform input size to the model.

2. Random Horizontal Flip:

- Flips images horizontally with a 50% probability to simulate left-right variations.

3. Random Rotation:

- Rotates images randomly by up to ± 10 degrees to account for positional variations.

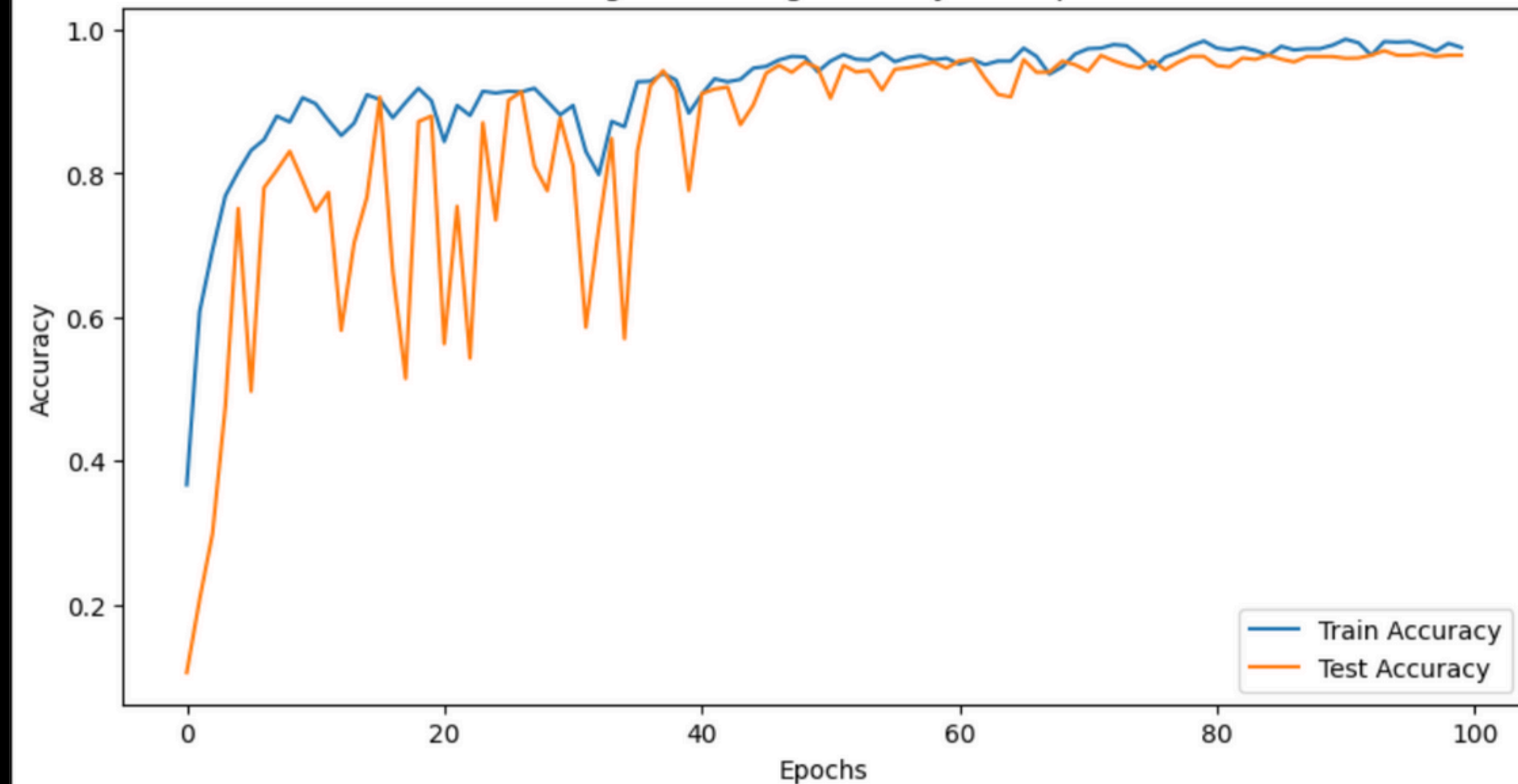
4. Normalization (via ToTensor()):

- Converts pixel values to tensors with values in the range [0, 1].

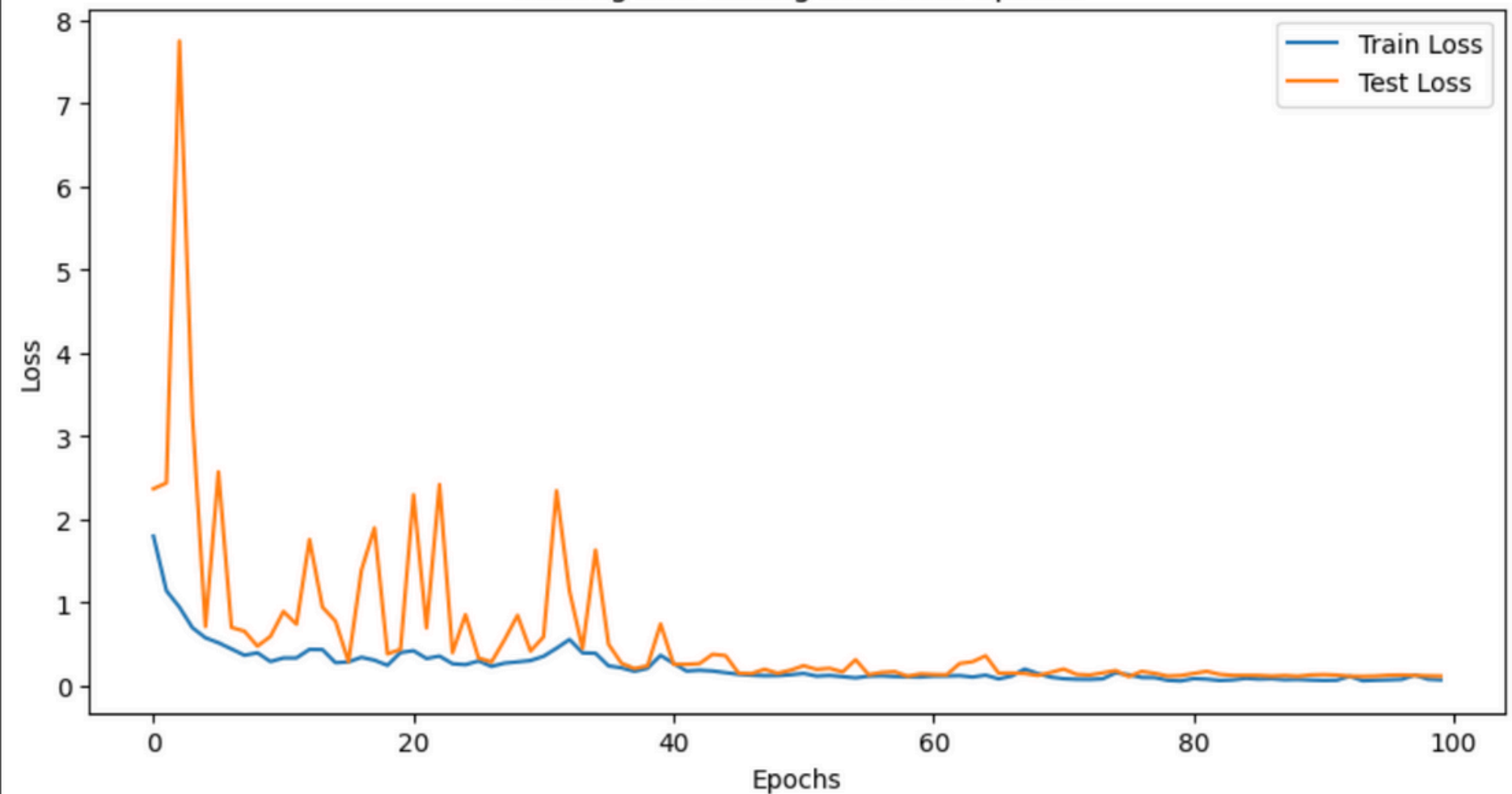
Training and Hyperparameters

- Optimizer:
 - Stochastic Gradient Descent (SGD) with:
 - Learning Rate: 0.001
 - Momentum: 0.9
 - Weight Decay (L2): 0.00002
- Scheduler: Cosine Annealing LR.
- Batch Size: 64.
- Epochs: 100.

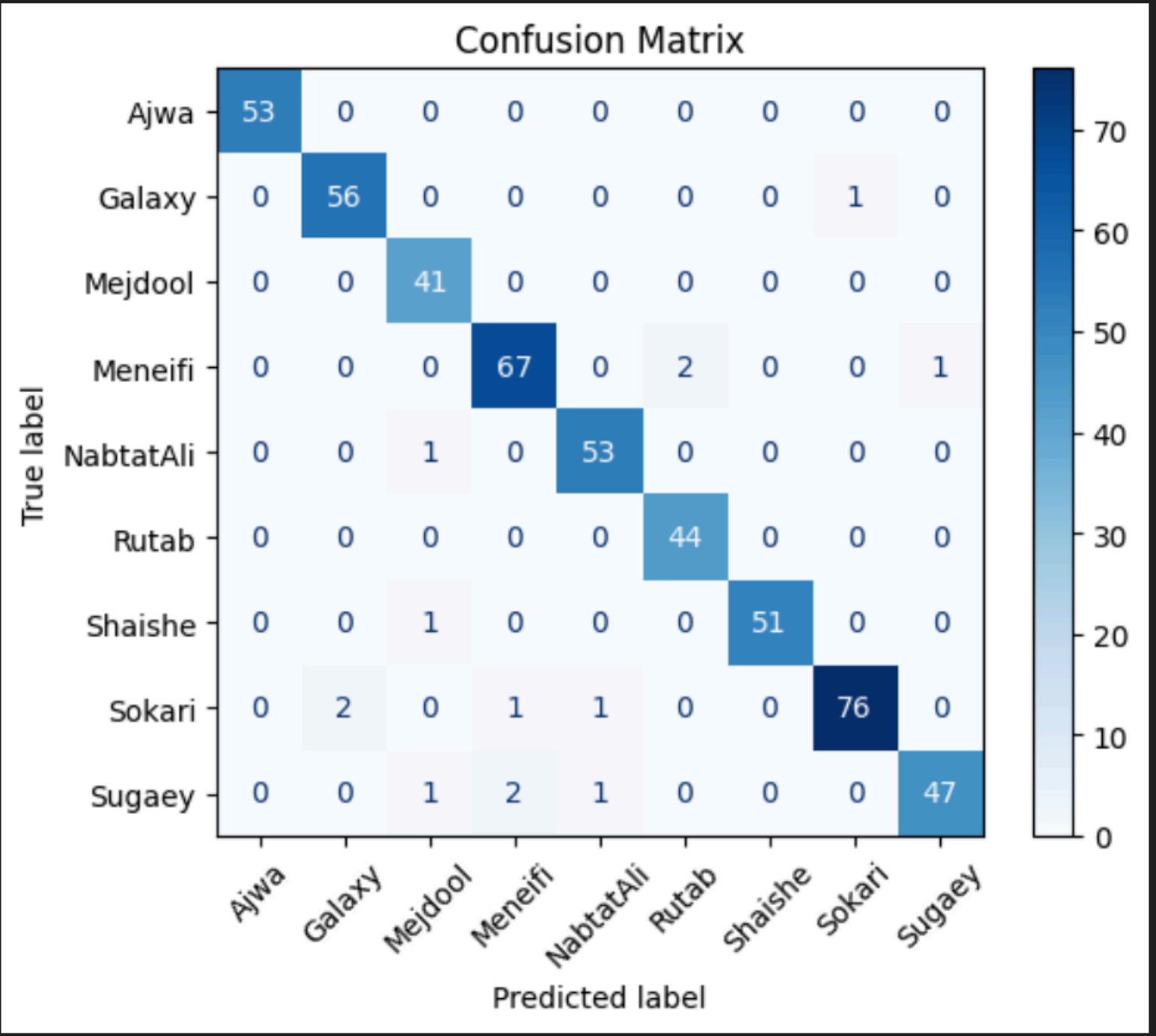
Training and Testing Accuracy over Epochs



Training and Testing Loss over Epochs



Results



	precision	recall	f1-score	support
Ajwa	1.00	1.00	1.00	53
Galaxy	0.97	0.98	0.97	57
Mejdool	0.93	1.00	0.96	41
Meneifi	0.96	0.96	0.96	70
NabtatAli	0.96	0.98	0.97	54
Rutab	0.96	1.00	0.98	44
Shaishe	1.00	0.98	0.99	52
Sokari	0.99	0.95	0.97	80
Sugaey	0.98	0.92	0.95	51
accuracy			0.97	502
macro avg	0.97	0.97	0.97	502
weighted avg	0.97	0.97	0.97	502

Comparison with EfficientNet-B0

Custom Model:

- Parameters: 128,199
- Model Size: ~30.22 MB
- Test Accuracy: 97%

EfficientNet-B0:

- Parameters: Original 5,288,548 (after modification: 4,019,077)
- Model Size: ~124.56 MB
- Test Accuracy: 100%

Model Size Comparison

- Calculation: $124.56 / 30.22 \approx 4.12$
- EfficientNet-B0 is approximately **4.12 times** bigger than the Custom Model.

Parameter Count Comparison

- Calculation: $4,019,077 / 128,199 \approx 31.36$
- EfficientNet-B0 has approximately **31.36 times** more parameters than the Custom Model.

EfficientNet-B0:				
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Rutab	1.00	1.00	1.00	44
Shaishe	1.00	1.00	1.00	52
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Challenges and Learnings

Challenges

1. Dataset Imbalance:

- Certain classes had fewer images, which could have impacted the model's ability to generalize.
- Solution: Applied data augmentation to enhance dataset diversity.

2. Overfitting:

- Initial experiments showed high training accuracy but lower validation accuracy.
- Solution: Used techniques like Dropout and regularization to mitigate overfitting.

3. Computational Limitations:

- Training on large models like EfficientNet-B0 required significant computational resources.
- Solution: Focused on optimizing the custom CNN for efficiency

4. Hyperparameter Tuning:

- Finding the optimal learning rate, batch size, and momentum was time-intensive.
- Solution: Iterative experimentation and fine-tuning

Challenges and Learnings

Learnings

1. Deep Learning Workflow:

- Gained hands-on experience in designing and training a custom CNN.

2. Model Optimization:

- Learned how to balance model size and accuracy, especially when comparing the custom model with pre-trained models.

3. Data Handling:

- Understood the importance of data preprocessing and augmentation for improving model performance.

4. Evaluation Techniques:

- Learned how to interpret metrics like precision, recall, and F1-score to evaluate model performance effectively.

Conclusion

- Project Summary:
 - Developed a custom CNN model for the classification of 9 types of date fruits.
 - Achieved a **97%** test accuracy, demonstrating the model's effectiveness.
- Key Insights:
 - Data augmentation played a crucial role in enhancing model generalization.
 - The custom model provides a good trade-off between accuracy and efficiency compared to EfficientNet-B0.
- Challenges Overcome:
 - Addressed issues like overfitting, dataset imbalance, and hyperparameter tuning through systematic experimentation.
- Future Work:
 - Explore transfer learning with other pre-trained models to further improve accuracy.
 - Experiment with more complex architectures or larger datasets for better generalization.
 - Deploy the model in real-world applications for automated sorting of date fruits.