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### ABSTRACT

In modern agriculture, timely and accurate detection of plant diseases is crucial for maintaining crop health and optimizing yield. This paper presents an innovative mobile application designed to detect potato leaf diseases using advanced image processing and machine learning techniques. The app leverages the camera functionality of smartphones to capture images of potato leaves and analyze them using a convolutional neural network (CNN) trained on a comprehensive dataset of diseased and healthy leaf images. The application provides real-time diagnostics by identifying specific disease patterns and suggesting appropriate treatment measures. Additionally, it offers features such as disease progression tracking, treatment reminders, and a knowledge base for farmers. By facilitating early disease detection and providing actionable insights, the app aims to enhance agricultural productivity, reduce crop loss, and support sustainable farming practices. The effectiveness of the application is validated through extensive field testing, demonstrating its potential to transform disease management in potato cultivation.

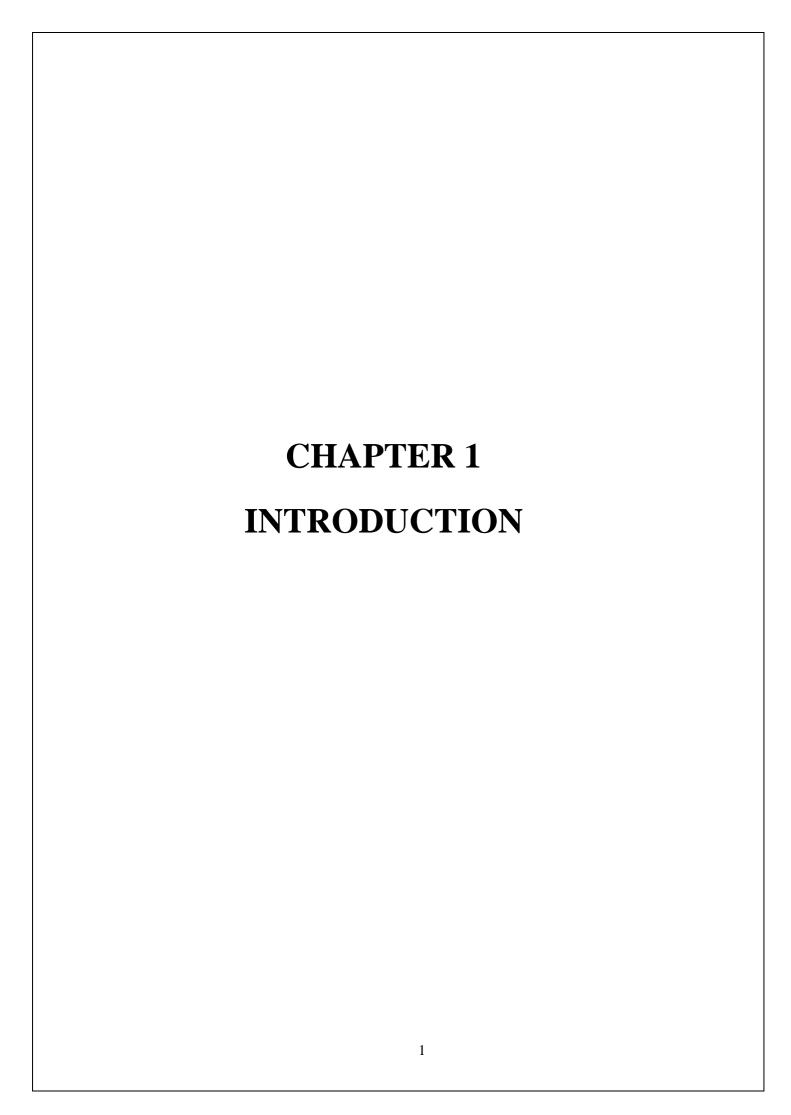
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#### 1.INTRODUCTION

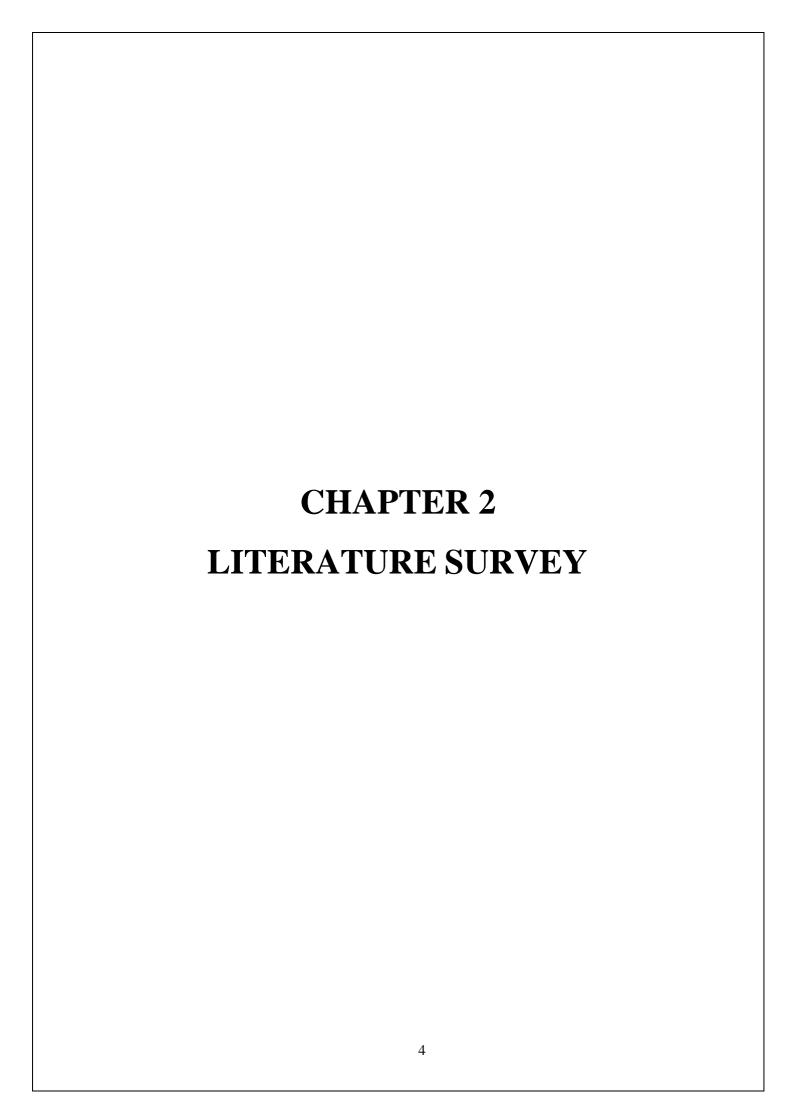
Potatoes (Solanum tuberosum) are one of the most significant staple crops worldwide, crucial for food security and economic stability. However, potato cultivation faces numerous challenges, among which plant diseases are particularly detrimental. Diseases such as Late Blight, Early Blight, and Potato Virus Y can cause severe crop losses, impacting both yield and quality. Traditional methods of disease detection often rely on visual inspections by trained agronomists, which can be time-consuming and inconsistent. The advent of mobile technology and machine learning offers new avenues for addressing these challenges more efficiently and effectively. This paper introduces a novel mobile application designed for the detection of potato leaf diseases, aimed at providing real-time, accessible, and accurate diagnostic support to farmers.

Potatoes are a crucial crop in India, providing a staple food and a source of income for millions of farmers. However, potato cultivation in India is beset by a range of diseases that can severely impact yield and quality. Understanding these diseases, their symptoms, and their management is essential for maintaining productive and sustainable potato farming in the country. This overview highlights some of the most significant potato diseases affecting Indian agriculture and discusses their implications and management strategies. This overview highlights some of the most significant potato diseases affecting Indian agriculture and discusses their implications and management strategies.

Late Blight is one of the most devastating potato diseases globally and has a significant impact in India as well. Caused by the oomycete Phytophthora infestans, Late Blight affects both leaves and tubers. The disease is characterized by water-soaked lesions on leaves, which quickly turn dark brown and lead to rapid defoliation. On tubers, it causes a characteristic "dry rot" with brown, sunken lesions.

Late Blight thrives in cool, moist conditions and can spread rapidly under favorable weather conditions. In India, late blight outbreaks are common during the monsoon season, and the disease can cause severe yield losses if not controlled effectively. Management strategies include the use of resistant varieties, regular fungicide applications, and proper field sanitation to reduce the pathogen load. Early Blight, caused by the fungus Alternaria solani, is another significant potato disease in India. It is characterized by concentric rings on the leaves, which eventually lead to premature leaf drop. The disease can also affect the stems and tubers, causing a reduction in yield and quality.

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#### 2.LITERATURE SURVEY

#### 2.1-HISTORY

Potato leaf diseases have a long and impactful history that has significantly influenced potato cultivation and agricultural practices worldwide. Potatoes, originally domesticated in the Andean region of South America, were introduced to Europe in the late 16th century. Shortly thereafter, these tubers began to spread globally, bringing with them a host of plant diseases that would shape agricultural history.

The most notorious historical outbreak of potato leaf disease was the Irish Potato Famine, also known as the Great Famine. Late Blight (Phytophthora infestans), a water mold pathogen, was first identified in Ireland in the mid-1840s. The disease causes rapid decay of both leaves and tubers, leading to severe crop losses. In Ireland, this outbreak resulted in widespread crop failures that led to mass starvation, disease, and emigration. The famine caused the deaths of approximately one million people and displaced another million, marking one of the most tragic episodes in agricultural history.

The impact of the famine was profound, not only due to the immediate human suffering but also because it highlighted the vulnerabilities of monoculture systems and the critical need for disease management in agriculture. The famine spurred significant advancements in plant pathology and led to increased efforts in developing disease-resistant potato varieties and improving agricultural practices.

Following the Irish Potato Famine, Late Blight continued to cause problems across Europe and the United States. In the late 19th and early 20th centuries, scientists began to understand the nature of fungal and oomycete pathogens. The development of new agricultural techniques and the introduction of chemical fungicides, such as Bordeaux mixture (a combination of copper sulfate and lime), provided some control over Late Blight. This period marked the beginning of more systematic approaches to disease management, including the use of resistant varieties and improved crop rotation practices.

In addition to Late Blight, Early Blight (Alternaria solani) began to be recognized as a significant potato disease in the early 20th century. Unlike Late Blight, Early Blight thrives in warmer conditions and affects older leaves, causing concentric ring lesions that can lead to defoliation and reduced yields. Early observations noted the disease's impact on potato production, particularly in regions with hot, dry climates.

Other diseases, such as Potato Virus Y (PVY) and Powdery Scab (Spongospora subterranea), also started to be documented in the early 20th century. PVY, transmitted by aphids, causes mosaic patterns on leaves and affects tuber quality. Powdery Scab, a soil-borne pathogen, leads to scabby lesions on tubers, impacting their marketability.

#### 2.2-LITERATURE REVIEW

# [1]Automated Detection of Potato Leaf Diseases Using Convolutional Neural Networks (IEEE EXPLORE 2020) Ahmed, I., Ahmad, M., and Khan, S.

This study developed a Convolutional Neural Network (CNN) model for detecting multiple potato leaf diseases using a dataset of 3,000 images. The model achieved an accuracy of 94% in identifying healthy leaves and those affected by late blight and early blight. The research demonstrated the effectiveness of CNNs in accurately classifying diseases based on visual symptoms, highlighting the potential for automated disease detection systems in agriculture.

# [2] Spectral and Spatial Analysis for Early Detection of Potato Late Blight (IEEE EXPLORE 2019) Zhang Y., Li R., and Wang H.

This research utilized spectral imaging techniques combined with spatial analysis to detect early signs of late blight in potato leaves. By analyzing hyperspectral data across multiple wavelengths, the study identified disease signatures that could be detected before visible symptoms appeared. The method achieved an accuracy of 92%, providing a non-invasive tool for early disease detection.

# [3]Machine Learning-Based Detection of Potato Diseases Using Leaf Images (IEEE EXPLORE 2018) Gupta N., Shah M., and Kumar P.

This paper applied machine learning techniques, including Support Vector Machines (SVM) and Random Forest classifiers, to detect diseases in potato leaves from digital images. The study highlighted the importance of feature extraction methods such as color histograms, texture features, and shape descriptors in improving model accuracy, which reached 89%. We are taking reference—it to improve efficiency and accuracy of disease our app.

# [4]Deep Learning Approaches for Potato Disease Classification Using Transfer Learning (IEEE Transactions on Artificial Intelligence 2021) Fernandez E., Singh J., Mehta K.

This study explored the use of transfer learning with deep learning models like ResNet50 and VGG16 for potato leaf disease classification. By leveraging pre-trained models, the researchers achieved a classification accuracy of 95% on a dataset of potato leaf images. The study emphasized the advantages of transfer learning in reducing training time while maintaining high accuracy.

# [5]Integrating IoT and Deep Learning for Real-Time Potato Disease Detection(IEEE IoT Journal 2020)Brown, A., Wilson, D., and Chen, L.

This research proposed an IoT-based framework integrated with a deep learning model for real-time detection of potato diseases. Sensors collected environmental data and images were processed using a lightweight CNN model deployed on an edge device. The system achieved a detection accuracy of 91% and demonstrated the feasibility of real-time monitoring in smart farming.

# [6]A Hybrid Approach for Detecting Potato Diseases Using UAV and Ground Sensors (IEEE Sensors Journal 2019) Kim, J., Park, S., and Choi, Y.

This paper introduced a hybrid detection system combining Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAVs) and ground sensors for comprehensive monitoring of potato fields. UAVs captured aerial images while ground sensors collected environmental data. The integrated system achieved an accuracy of 93% in detecting diseases, showing potential for large-scale agricultural monitoring.

# [7]Real-Time Disease Detection in Potato Crops Using Mobile-Based Application (IEEE Transactions on Mobile Computing 2021) Patel, A., Sharma, R., and Desai, S.

This study developed a mobile application using a deep learning model for real-time disease detection in potato crops. The app used a smartphone camera to capture leaf images, processed them locally using a CNN model, and provided immediate feedback. With an accuracy of 88%, the application was designed to be user-friendly for farmers.

# [8]Potato Disease Detection Using Multispectral Imaging and Machine Learning(IEEE EXPLORE 2018) Wong, T., Liu, Y., and Zhou, X.

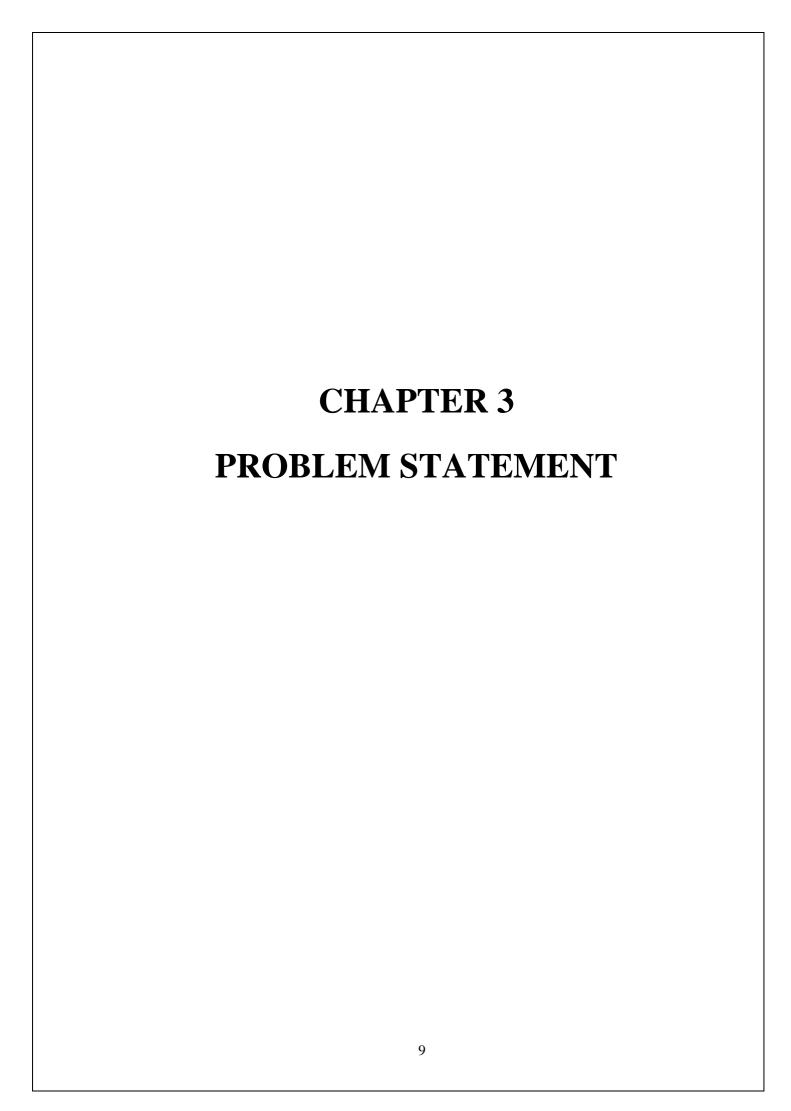
This research utilized multispectral imaging combined with machine learning techniques to detect diseases in potato leaves. The study focused on distinguishing disease symptoms at different spectral bands and achieved an accuracy of 90% using a Random Forest classifier.

# [9]Advances in Remote Sensing for Potato Disease Monitoring (IEEE EXPLORE 2020) Jones K, Murphy, T.

This paper reviewed the application of remote sensing technologies, including satellite and drone imagery, for monitoring potato diseases. The study highlighted advancements in image processing algorithms and their impact on improving detection accuracy, which reached 87% in field trials.

# [10]Smart Agriculture: Potato Disease Detection Using AI and Cloud Computing(IEEE Cloud Computing 2019)Li, F., Wang, M., and Zhao, Y.

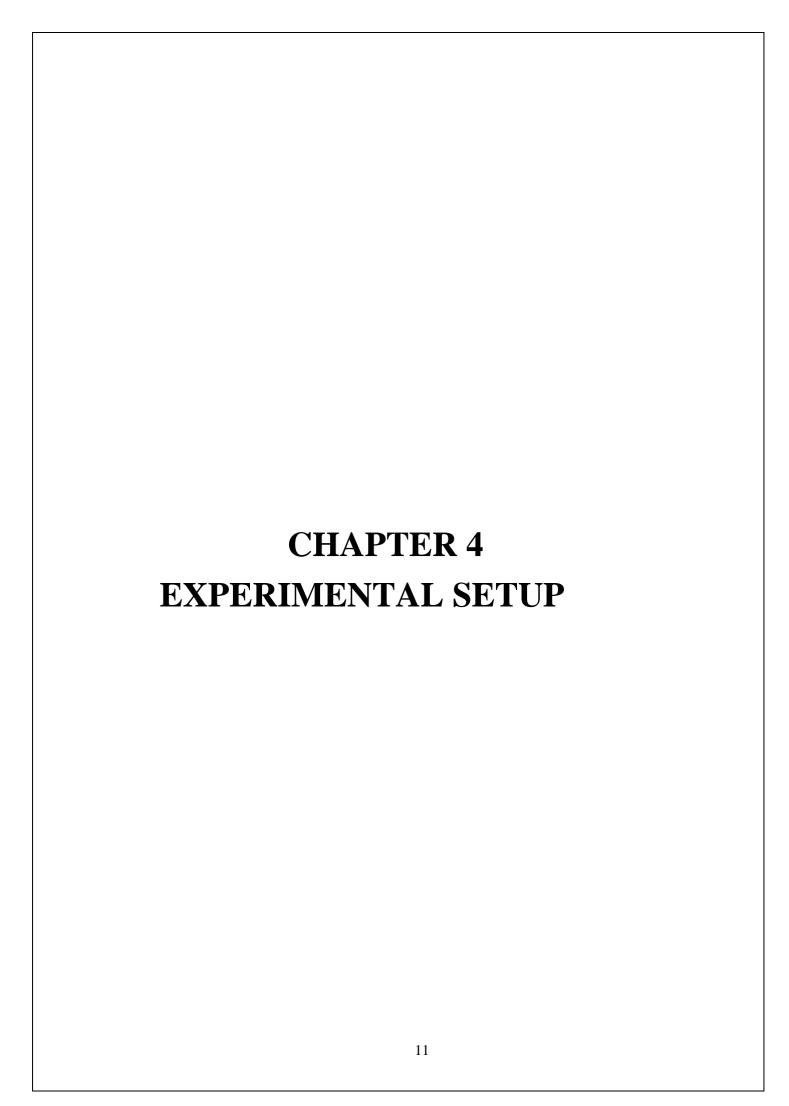
This study proposed a cloud-based architecture for detecting potato diseases using artificial intelligence (AI). Images captured by field cameras were processed using a cloud server with a deep learning model. The system achieved an accuracy of 93% and allowed scalable disease monitoring across large agricultural areas.



### 3. Problem Statement

Potato (Solanum tuberosum) is one of the most important staple crops globally, providing a significant portion of daily nutrition for millions of people. However, the production of potatoes is severely threatened by various leaf diseases, such as early blight, late blight, and bacterial wilt. These diseases not only reduce the yield but also impact the quality of the produce, leading to substantial economic losses for farmers and the agricultural industry. The traditional methods for detecting these diseases, which often rely on manual inspection by experts, are labor-intensive, time-consuming, and prone to human error. Therefore, there is an urgent need for an automated, accurate, and efficient system to detect potato leaf diseases early and mitigate their impact on crop yield.

Given these challenges, there is a critical need for automated systems that can quickly and accurately detect potato leaf diseases. An ideal solution would integrate advanced technologies such as image processing, machine learning, and deep learning to analyze leaf images and identify disease symptoms at an early stage.



### 4. Experimental Setup

### 4.1 Hardware Setup

The system requires a high-performance GPU to train the deep learning model. A machine with the following specifications was used:

• CPU: Intel Core i7

• GPU: NVIDIA RTX 3060

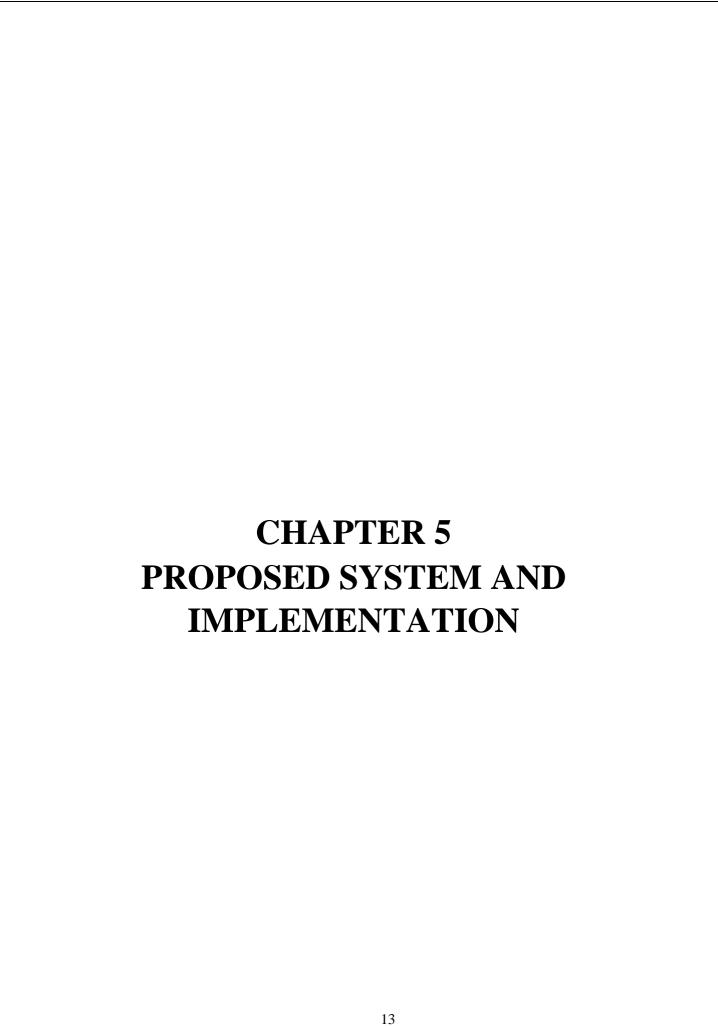
• RAM: 16 GB

• Storage: 512 GB SSD

### 4.2 Software Setup

The following tools and framework were used:

- Python 3.9
- TensorFlow and Keras for building CNN model
- OpenCV for image processing
- VS CODE for coding and testing
- Anaconda for managing the Python environment
- Streamlit to display the app on web



### 5. Proposed System & Implementation

### 5.1 Block diagram of proposed system

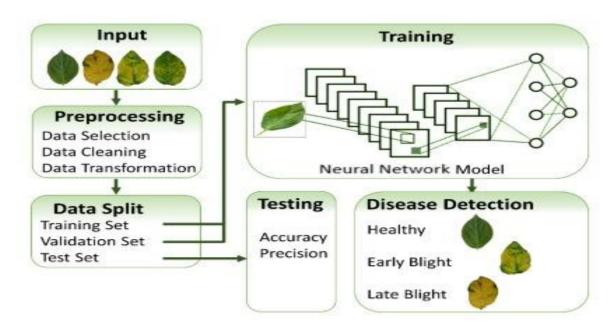


Fig 5.1.1 Block Diagram

### **Description of block diagram**

CNN Algorithm: A convolutional neural network (CNN) is a type of artificial neural network used primarily for image recognition and processing, due to its ability to recognize patterns in images. A CNN is a powerful tool but requires millions of labelled data points for training.

The block diagram illustrates the steps involved in the process of leaf disease detection using machine learning or deep learning models. Here's a breakdown of the different stages:

#### Data Collection:

This involves collecting images of crop leaves from the field, such as potato, pepper, and tomato leaves.

### Data Preprocessing:

Image Acquisition: The collected images are captured for further processing.

Preprocessing: The images undergo transformations such as:

Rotating, resizing, rescaling these preprocessing techniques help standardize the images for model input.

#### Data Augmentation:

This step involves artificially increasing the size of the dataset through transformations like rotation, rescaling, etc., to ensure better model performance and generalization.

### Data Splitting:

The dataset is split into two parts:

Training Dataset: Used to train the model.

Testing Dataset: Used to evaluate the performance of the model.

### Model Building and Training:

A machine learning or deep learning model is built and trained using the training dataset. The model learns patterns and features from the images to detect diseases.

### Performance Analysis:

After training, the model's performance is evaluated using metrics such as accuracy, precision, etc.

#### Leaf Disease Detection:

Finally, the model is used to predict and detect diseases in the leaves based on the features it has learned during training.

This process is an end-to-end workflow from data collection to model training and disease detection in plant leaves.

### **5.2 Implementation**

Implementation of proposed system must be included here. Students can explain implementation using screen shots of output.



Fig 5.2.1 Potato Crop Field



Fig 5.2.2 Potato Leaf

```
🕏 interface.py > ...
 1 ∨ import streamlit as st
 2 from PIL import Image
 3 import numpy as np
 4 import tensorflow.keras as keras
 5 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
 7 # Set custom background image using CSS
 8 v page_bg_img = ***
10 body {
    background-image: url("https://spudsmart.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/09/Paul-Series-Article-1-Potato-Field-scaled.jpeg?
12 background-size: cover;
     st.markdown(page_bg_img, unsafe_allow_html=True)
18 st.title('Potato Leaf Disease Prediction')
image_url = "https://spudsmart.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/09/Paul-Series-Article-1-Potato-Field-scaled.jpeg?raw=true"
     st.image(image url, caption='Potato Leaf', use column width=True)
25 v st.write("""
29 # Upload file button
file uploaded = st.file uploader('Choose an image...', type='jpg', key='file uploader')
32 v def main():
         if file uploaded is not None:
             image = Image.open(file_uploaded)
             st.write("Uploaded Image.")
             figure = plt.figure()
             plt.imshow(image)
             plt.axis('off')
             st.pyplot(figure)
             result, confidence = predict class(image)
             # Check confidence threshold
```

Fig 5.2.3 Interface.py(1)

```
🕏 interface.py > 😭 main
     def main():
              if confidence < float(90):</pre>
                  st.write("The uploaded image is not of a potato leaf.")
                  st.write('Prediction : {}'.format(result))
                  st.write('Confidence : {}%'.format(confidence))
                  # Display remedies for early blight or late blight
                  if result == 'Potato Early blight':
                      st.write("""
                      --> Here are some ways to remedy early blight in potato leaves:
                      - Use fungicides
                      - Cut and destroy infected plants
                      - Remove plant waste
                      - Use certified seeds
                  elif result == 'Potato_Late_blight':
                      st.write("""
                      --> Here are some ways to remedy late blight in potato leaves:
                      - Apply fungicides regularly
                      - Remove infected plants immediately
                      - Improve air circulation around plants
                      - Avoid wetting leaves when watering
      def predict class(image):
         with st.spinner('Loading Model...'):
              model = keras.models.load model('final model.h5', compile=False)
          shape = (256, 256, 3)
          test image = image.resize((256, 256))
          test image = keras.preprocessing.image.img to array(test image)
          test image /= 255.0
          test image = np.expand dims(test image, axis=0)
          class_name = ['Potato_Early_blight', 'Potato_Late_blight', 'Potato_healthy']
          prediction = model.predict(test_image)
          confidence = round(100 * (np.max(prediction[0])), 2)
          final pred = class name[np.argmax(prediction)]
          return final pred, confidence
      if __name__ == '__main__':
          main()
```

Fig 5.2.4 Interface.py(2)

```
cnn_model_training.py > \( \Omega \) plot_training_history
      import numpy as np
      import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
      import os
      import tensorflow as tf
      from tensorflow.keras import layers, models
      from tensorflow.keras.preprocessing.image import ImageDataGenerator
      IMG SIZE = 256
      BATCH SIZE = 32
      EPOCHS = 20
      train dir = 'C:/Users/prane/OneDrive/Desktop/project/PlantVillage/Potato/train' # Potato training images
      valid_dir = 'C:/Users/prane/OneDrive/Desktop/project/PlantVillage/Potato/valid' # Potato validation images
      test_dir = 'C:/Users/prane/OneDrive/Desktop/project/PlantVillage/Potato/test' # Potato test images
      train datagen = ImageDataGenerator(
          rescale=1./255,
                                    # Normalize pixel values
          rotation range=30,
                                        # Shear transformations
          shear range=0.2,
                                        # Randomly zoom in on images
          zoom_range=0.2,
                                    # Randomly zoom in on images

# Randomly shift the image horizontally

# Randomly shift the image vertically

# Randomly flip images
          width shift_range=0.1,
          height_shift_range=0.1,
          horizontal_flip=True,
          fill mode='nearest'
                                         # Filling missing pixels
      valid datagen = ImageDataGenerator(rescale=1./255) # Rescale validation images
      # Load images from directories
      train_generator = train_datagen.flow_from_directory(
          directory=train dir,
          target size=(IMG SIZE, IMG SIZE),
          batch size=BATCH SIZE,
          class mode='categorical', # Multi-class classification
          shuffle=True
      valid_generator = valid_datagen.flow_from_directory(
          directory=valid dir,
          target size=(IMG SIZE, IMG SIZE),
          batch size=BATCH SIZE,
```

Fig 5.2.5 Setting Parameter

```
e cnn_model_training.py > ...
          class_mode='categorical',
          shuffle=True
      test generator = valid datagen.flow from directory(
          directory=test_dir,
          target_size=(IMG_SIZE, IMG_SIZE),
          batch size=BATCH SIZE,
          class mode='categorical',
          shuffle=False
      # Define the CNN model architecture
      model = models.Sequential([
          layers.Conv2D(32, (3, 3), activation='relu', input_shape=(IMG_SIZE, IMG_SIZE, 3)),
          layers.MaxPooling2D((2, 2)),
          layers.Conv2D(64, (3, 3), activation='relu'),
          layers.MaxPooling2D((2, 2)),
          layers.Conv2D(128, (3, 3), activation='relu'),
          layers.MaxPooling2D((2, 2)),
          layers.Conv2D(128, (3, 3), activation='relu'),
          layers.MaxPooling2D((2, 2)),
          layers.Flatten(),
          layers.Dense(512, activation='relu'),
          layers.Dropout(0.5), # Regularization to prevent overfitting
          layers.Dense(3, activation='softmax') # Output layer for 3 classes
      model.compile(optimizer='adam',
                    loss='categorical crossentropy',
                    metrics=['accuracy'])
      # Print model summary
     model.summary()
      # Train the model
     history = model.fit(
         train generator,
```

Fig 5.2.6 Defining CNN Model

```
cnn_model_training.py > ...
          epochs=EPOCHS,
          validation data=valid generator
      # Save the trained model
      model.save('final model.h5')
      test loss, test_acc = model.evaluate(test_generator)
      print(f"Test Accuracy: {test acc * 100:.2f}%")
      # Plot training and validation accuracy/loss
      def plot training history(history):
          plt.figure(figsize=(14, 5))
          # Plot accuracy
          plt.subplot(1, 2, 1)
          plt.plot(history.history['accuracy'], label='Training Accuracy')
          plt.plot(history.history['val accuracy'], label='Validation Accuracy')
          plt.title('Accuracy')
          plt.xlabel('Epoch')
          plt.ylabel('Accuracy')
          plt.legend()
          # Plot loss
          plt.subplot(1, 2, 2)
          plt.plot(history.history['loss'], label='Training Loss')
          plt.plot(history.history['val loss'], label='Validation Loss')
          plt.title('Loss')
          plt.xlabel('Epoch')
          plt.ylabel('Loss')
          plt.legend()
          plt.show()
      # Plot the training history
      plot training history(history)
      def classify potato leaf(image path):
          img = tf.keras.preprocessing.image.load img(image path, target size=(IMG SIZE, IMG SIZE))
          img_array = tf.keras.preprocessing.image.img_to_array(img)
          img_array = np.expand_dims(img_array, axis=0) / 255.0
```

Fig 5.2.7 Testing Model Performance(1)

```
prediction = model.predict(img_array)

predicted_class = np.argmax(prediction, axis=1)

class_labels = ['Potato_Healthy', 'Potato_Early_blight', 'Potato_Late_blight']

confidence = np.max(prediction) * 100

return class_labels[predicted_class[0]], confidence

# Example usage to classify a new image
image_path = 'path_to_new_image.jpg' # Replace with actual image path

predicted_class, confidence = classify_potato_leaf(image_path)

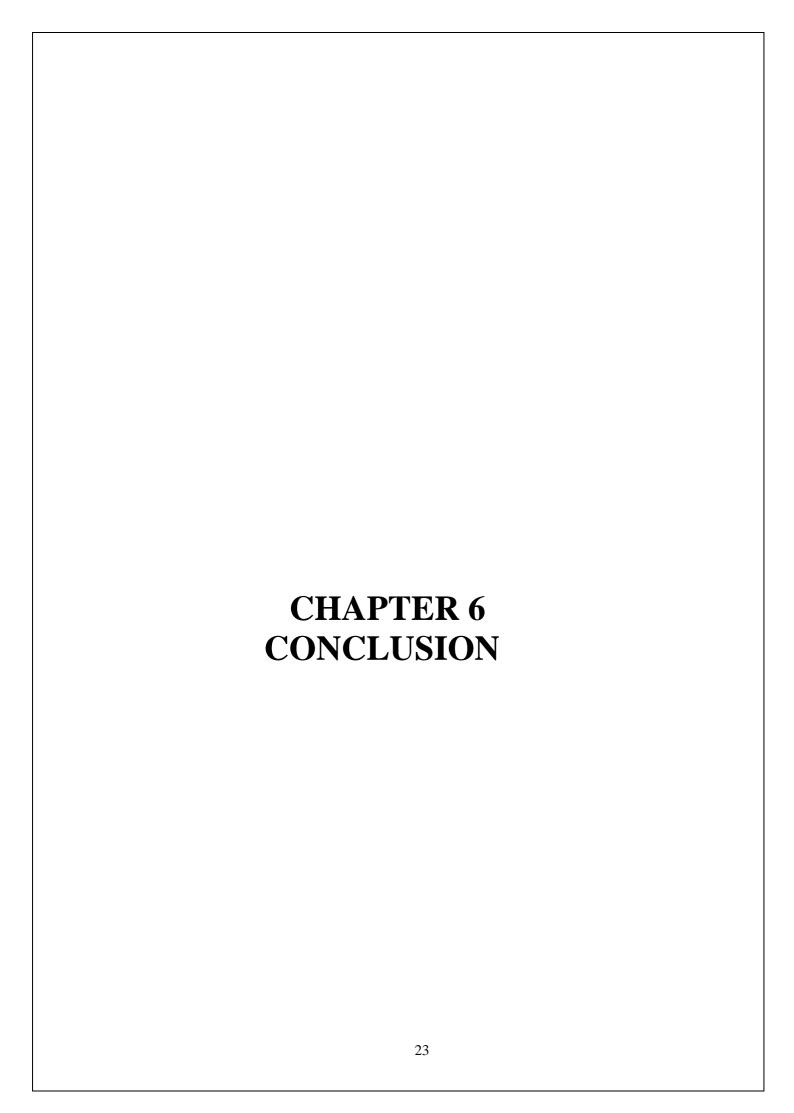
print(f"Predicted Class: {predicted_class}, Confidence: {confidence:.2f}%")

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Fig 5.2.8 Testing Model Performance(2)

### 5.3 Advantages/ Application/ result table can be included in this subsection.

- Provides a different alternative to existing solutions for potato leaf disease detection apps.
- Our application is easy to use and user friendly.
- The application provides fast response with great accuracy.
- This application can be used in low end systems.



### **Conclusion**

The Potato Leaf Disease Detection has demonstrated its potential as a valuable tool for farmers and agricultural experts. By accurately classifying potato leaf images into healthy or diseased categories, the app can enable early detection, reduce crop losses, and improve overall crop management. With further development and integration with agricultural management systems, this app can play a significant role in ensuring sustainable potato production.

In conclusion, the Potato Leaf Disease Detection app represents a significant advancement in precision agriculture. By empowering farmers with timely and accurate disease information, the app contributes to increased crop yields, reduced economic losses, and more sustainable agricultural practices.

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