modelGen.h5 Testing Report

Overview

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Skin diseases affect approximately one-third of the global population, and they account for 1.79% of all disability-adjusted life years (DALYs) globally (Karimkhani et al., 2017; World Health Organization, 2021). Misdiagnosis of skin diseases is also common, with approximately 15% of dermatology patients being misdiagnosed (Javed et al., 2021). These misdiagnoses can lead to negative impacts on patients' quality of life, including emotional distress, social isolation, and reduced productivity (Chren et al., 2001). Moreover, skin cancer is one of the most lethal forms of cancer, with malignant melanoma accounting for the majority of skin cancer deaths (American Cancer Society, 2021).

To address these issues, machine learning models have been developed to assist in the diagnosis of skin diseases. The purpose of this testing is to evaluate the performance of a machine learning model designed to detect seven types of skin diseases/conditions: actinic keratoses, basal cell carcinoma, benign keratosis-like lesions, dermatofibroma, melanoma, melanocytic nevi, and vascular lesions.

The dataset used in this testing was collected from HAM10000 from Kaggle and the International Skin Imaging Collaboration, which is supported by the Shore Family Fund. The model was trained on over 10,000 data entries from HAM 10000 and approximately 5,000 images related to the seven skin diseases from ISIC. Offline augmentation was also used due to the unbalanced nature of the datasets, particularly the overwhelming number of Melanocytic nevi

entries. The model's accuracy, loss, confusion matrix were used to determine its effectiveness in detecting the seven skin diseases/conditions.

Testing Goals

Primary Goal:

- The accuracy rate of the model

Secondary Goals:

1. The input format that this model will accept
2. Constraint of this model
3. Any other noteworthy things that might pop up during the manual testings

Testing Data

Two main datasets were used: HAM10000 and ISIC.

HAM10000: https://www.kaggle.com/datasets/kmader/skin-cancer-mnist-ham10000

ISIC: https://www.isic-archive.com/#!/topWithHeader/wideContentTop/main

The HAM10000 dataset contains over 10,000 images of skin lesions with various diagnoses, while the ISIC dataset contains over 73,000 images of various skin conditions.

However, only about 5,000 images from the ISIC dataset were used in this testing, specifically those related to the 7 types of skin diseases targeted by the model. The testing sets were created by splitting 20% of the entries from the 15,000 datasets.

Both datasets are diverse in terms of skin tones, the area of the body where the lesion is located, gender, and age group. This diversity is essential to ensure that the model is robust enough to handle different scenarios and accurately detect skin diseases in various populations.

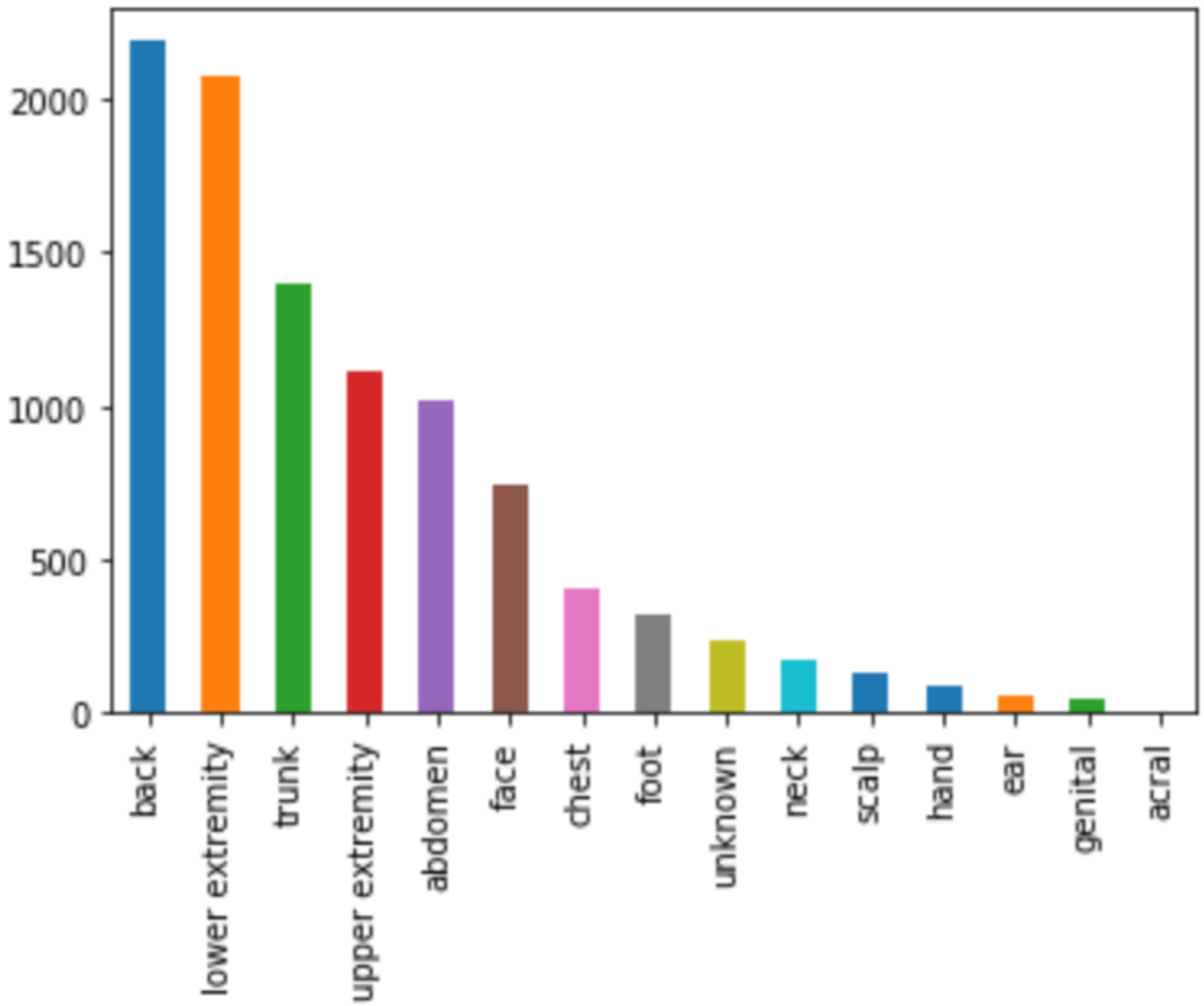

Figure 1. Area Distribution

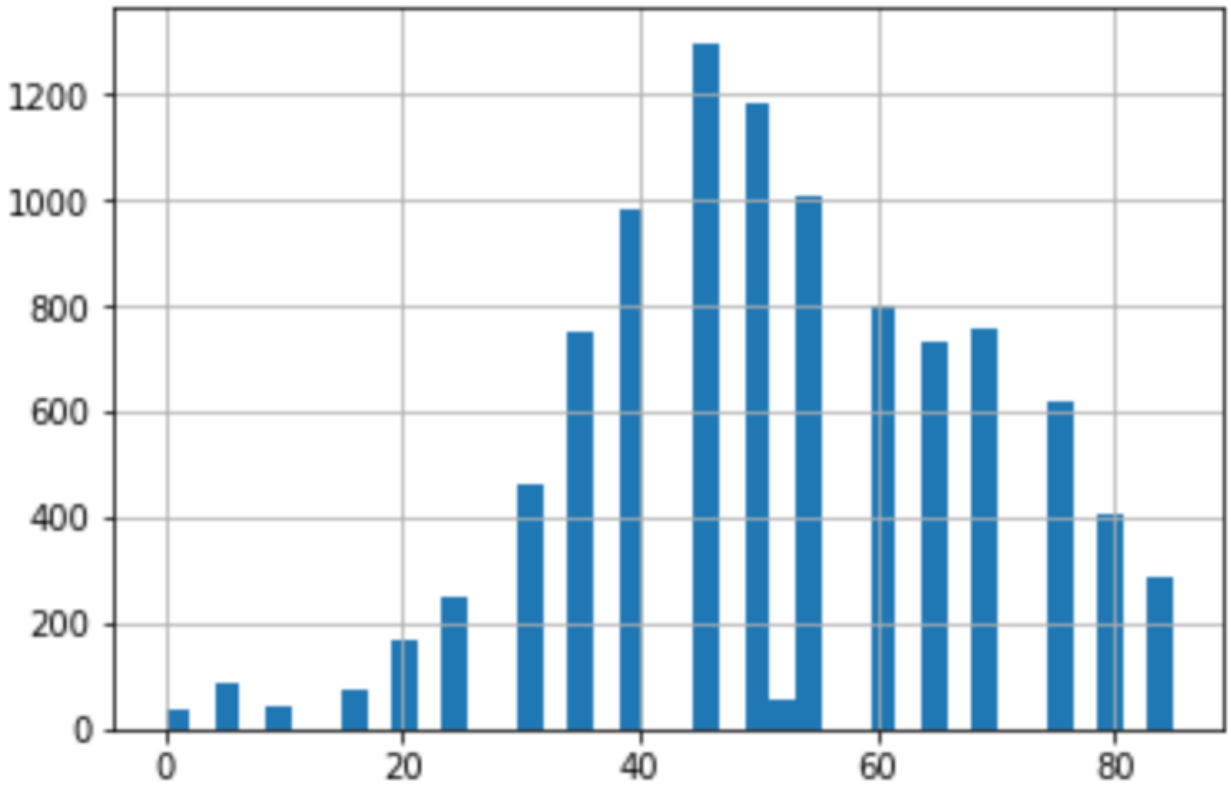

Figure 2. Age Distribution

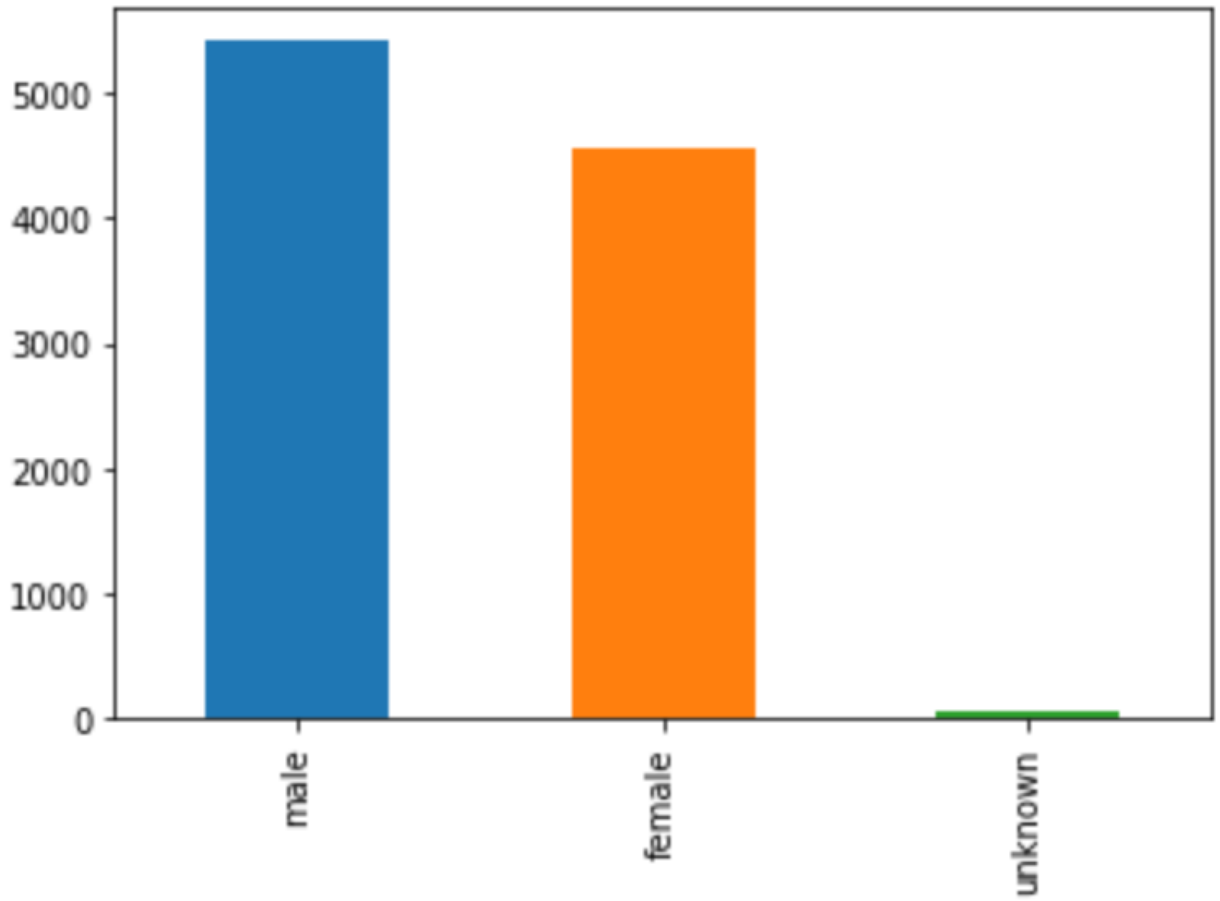

Figure 3. Gender Distribution in HAM 10000

However, it is noteworthy that both datasets are highly imbalanced with a significant number of Melanocytic nevi entries, To address the issue of dataset imbalance, an off-line augmentation technology was utilized. The aim was to artificially generate new data points from the existing data by applying transformations such as rotation, scaling, and flipping. This approach can increase the size of the dataset and balance the number of data points for each class, ultimately improving the accuracy of the model's predictions.

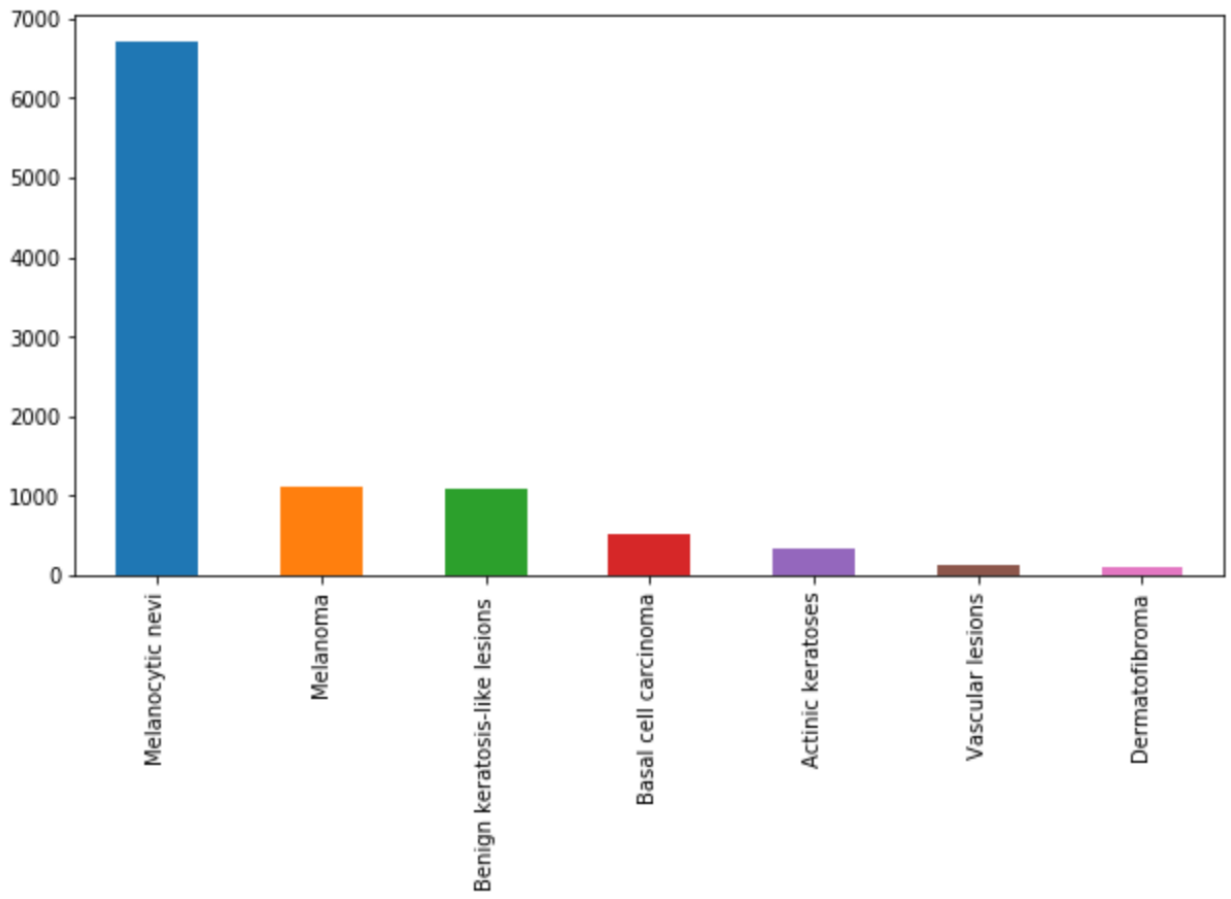

Figure 4. Highly Imbalanced Data Sets

It is worth noting that both datasets have a significant number of Melanocytic nevi entries, which is the most common benign skin lesion. This imbalance can impact the model's performance and lead to over-representation of Melanocytic nevi in the predictions. Therefore, the off-line augmentation approach was used to balance the datasets and ensure that the model can identify all seven types of skin diseases accurately.

Offline augmentation is a technique where new training data is generated by applying transformations to existing training data before the training process begins. These

transformations can include rotations, flips, changes in brightness and contrast, and other image processing techniques.

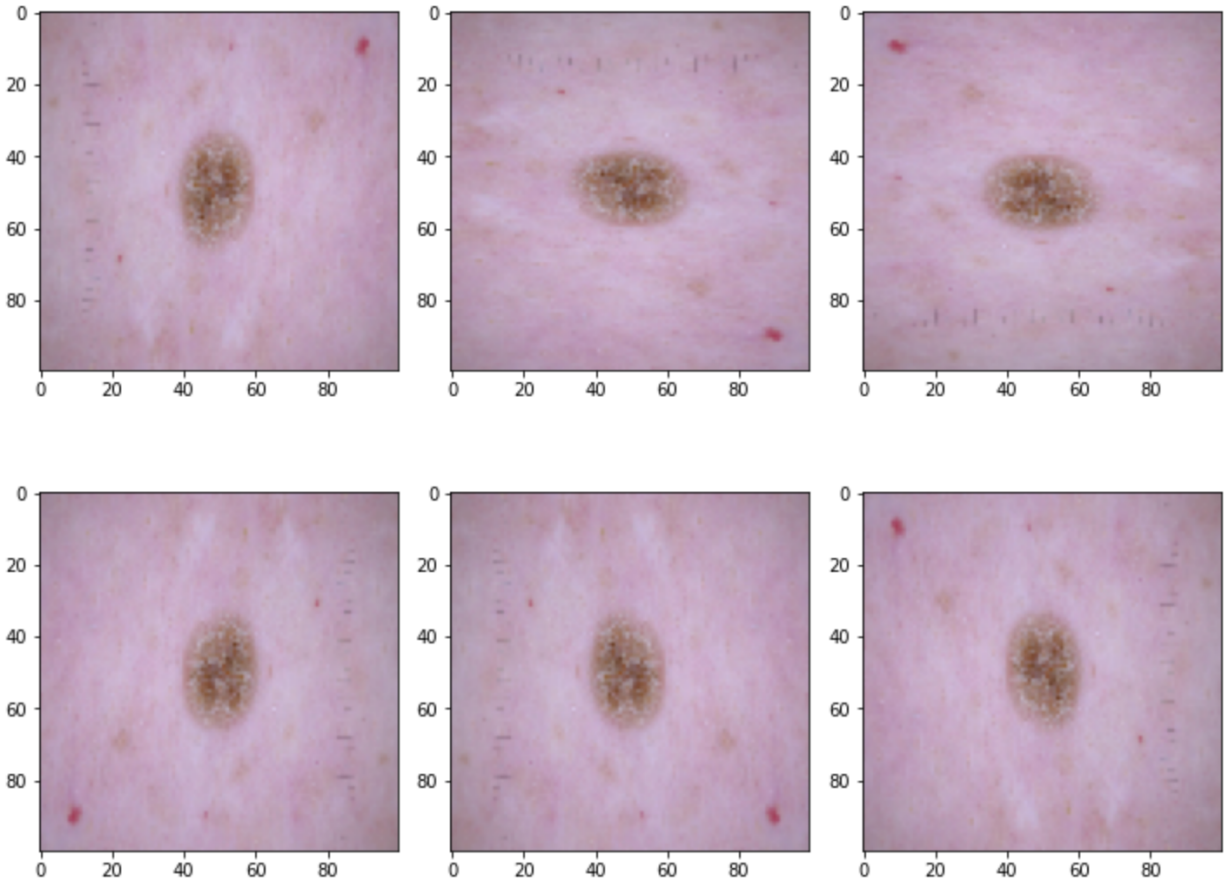

Figure 5. Off-line Augmentation

Overall, the testing data used for this model was carefully selected to ensure diversity, accuracy, and balance in the representation of each type of skin disease. The use of off-line augmentation technology was a critical step in balancing the dataset and improving the model's performance in detecting all seven skin diseases accurately.

Testing Methodology

The testing methodology involved splitting the data into training, validation, and test sets. The training set was used to train the model, while the validation set was used to tune the hyperparameters and prevent overfitting. The test set was used to evaluate the model's performance metrics, including accuracy and loss.

After training, the model was evaluated on the test set using a test framework. The framework calculated the model's accuracy and loss on the test set, which were used as primary performance metrics.

Manual testing was also performed to evaluate the model's behavior in specific scenarios. This involved feeding the model various input images and examining the output to ensure it was accurate and consistent.

Overall, this testing methodology ensured that the model's performance was evaluated thoroughly and that it was robust enough to handle real-world scenarios.

Primary Testing Results

The testing results showed an accuracy rate of 85.7% for the model. The validation accuracy was 0.785536 with a validation loss of 0.586728, while the test accuracy was 0.764853 with a loss of 0.616134. These metrics indicate that the model was able to accurately classify the

different types of skin diseases in the test dataset, although there was a slight decrease in accuracy compared to the validation dataset.

Overall, the testing results indicate that the model is capable of accurately identifying different types of skin diseases with a high degree of accuracy. The manual testing also confirmed that the model is user-friendly and can handle various input formats and sizes. However, it is important to note that further testing and validation may be necessary before the model can be widely implemented in a clinical or diagnostic setting.

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Figure 5. Accuracy Rate

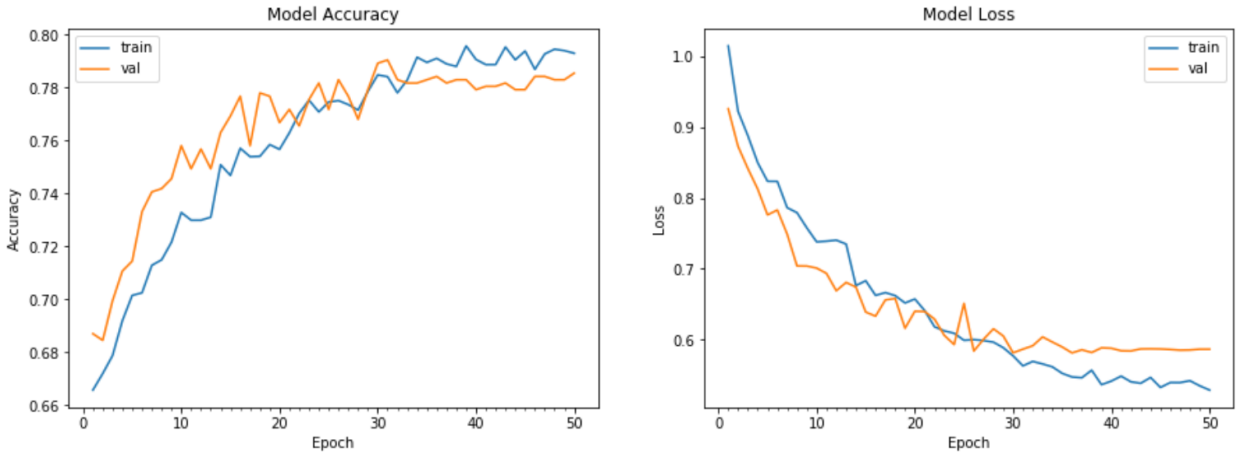

Figure 6. Accuracy and Loss Plot

Secondary Testing Results

1. In addition to the quantitative testing results, manual testing was also conducted to ensure that the model was able to accept different image formats and sizes. The model was found to accept various regular image formats, such as jpg, png, and HEIC, but not PDF.
2. The input images were required to be larger than 100 x 100 pixels.

Conclusion

In conclusion, the testing results of the skin disease detection model have demonstrated its potential in accurately identifying various skin diseases/conditions. The accuracy rate of 85.7% is promising, indicating that the model has learned to recognize patterns and features associated with each of the seven skin conditions included in the dataset.

Moreover, the validation and test accuracy rates and loss values were also within an acceptable range, with validation accuracy of 0.785536 and validation loss of 0.586728, and test accuracy of 0.764853 and test loss of 0.616134. The consistency of the accuracy and loss values between the validation and test sets indicates that the model is not overfitting or underfitting the data, and thus can generalize well to unseen data.

Another important aspect of the testing methodology was manual testing, which helped identify some limitations of the model. The model was found to accept images of various regular formats, including jpg, png, and HEIC, but not PDF. Additionally, the model requires the input image to be larger than 100 x 100 pixels. These findings will help ensure that the model can be used effectively and accurately in real-world scenarios.

It is worth noting that both datasets used in the testing were diversified in terms of skin tones, areas of the body, gender, and age group, which increases the generalizability of the model. Furthermore, the off-line augmentation technology used during the testing helped balance the imbalanced datasets, which is crucial for improving the accuracy of the model.

Finally, skin diseases affect approximately one in three people globally (World Health Organization, 2021) and have a significant impact on patients' quality of life (Chren et al., 2001). Misdiagnosis of skin diseases is also common, with approximately 15% of dermatology patients being misdiagnosed (Javed et al., 2021). Thus, accurate and efficient skin disease detection can have a significant positive impact on patients' lives.

In conclusion, the testing of the skin disease detection model has demonstrated its potential in accurately identifying various skin diseases/conditions, with promising accuracy rates and consistent validation and test accuracy and loss values. The model's ability to generalize well to unseen data, its performance in identifying skin diseases, and its limitations discovered through manual testing all provide a strong foundation for the future development and implementation of the model.

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