

Image Recognition for Plankton Classification

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Definitions

What is AI?



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AI mimics human intelligence in machines, enabling them to learn, solve problems, and make decisions.

What is Image Recognition?

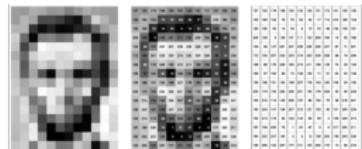


Figure [2]

It's a subset of AI where computers interpret visual data, identifying objects and patterns in images or videos.

Examples

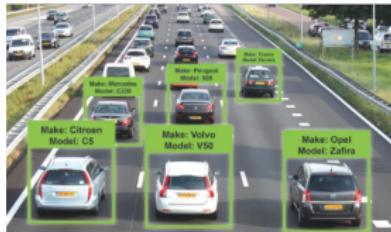


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Automotive:
Autonomous vehicle
navigation & safety.



Figure [4]

Security: Surveillance
& threat detection.

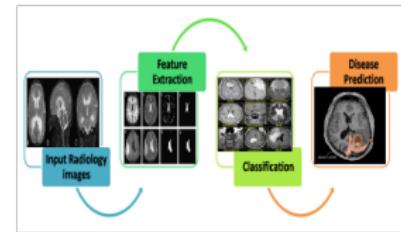


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Healthcare: Medical
image analysis for
diagnostics.

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Phytoplankton

- The future of image recognition in Marine Biology:
Identifying types of Phytoplankton species
- Contribute nearly half of the total
global oxygen supply
- Absorb one-third of the CO₂
produced globally [6]



Figure [7]
Copepod - Phytoplankton
Species

Algal Blooms

- High numbers of phytoplankton → Water Discoloration [8]
- Mass death events affecting humans and sea-life
- Automated Plankton Identification with AI [9]



Figure [10]
Algal Bloom in Ontario, Canada



Figure [11]
Phytoplankton

Gathering Data for AI model

- Underwater images are typically very noisy
- Plankton often obscured in images
- Plankton objects can be deformable
- Plankton can be in any orientation and position

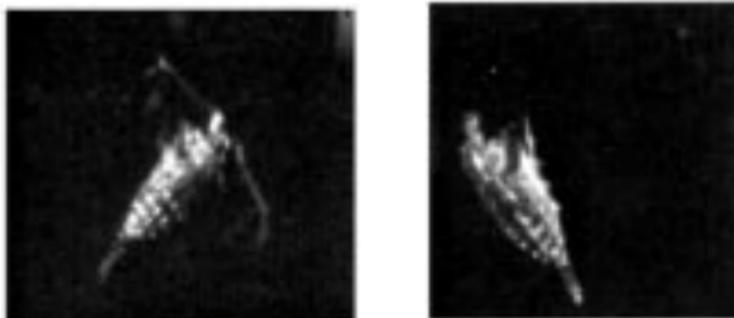


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Dataset Issues

- Rare Groups of plankton
- Bias in AI model
- Poor performance on rare groups

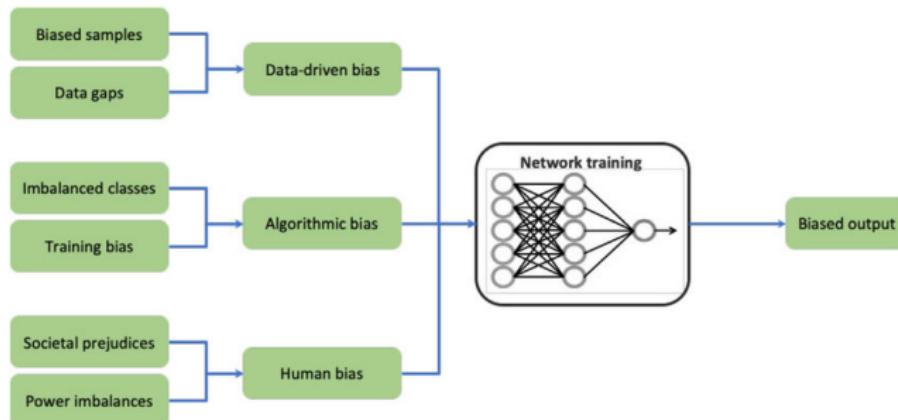


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Obtain Data from Underwater Images

DeepLOKI : New deep learning Approach

- Higher illumination levels images
- Synthesising new images



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Figure [17]

Identifying Plankton Classes (1)

Probability Filtering

- Automatic classification
- Reduces incorrect images
- Leaves some images unclassified

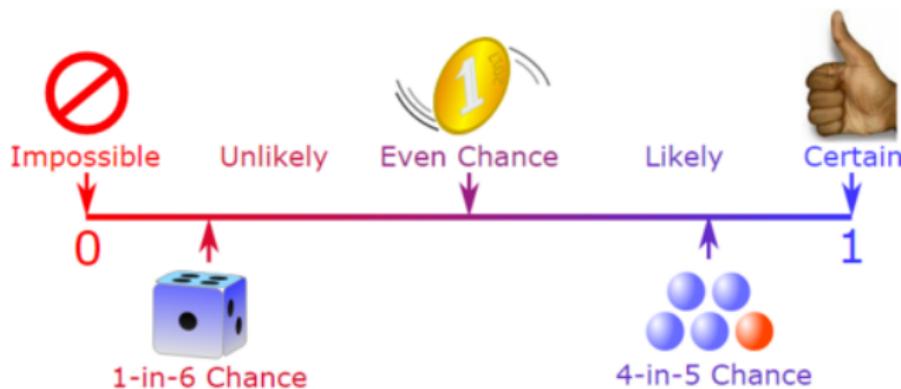


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Identifying Plankton Classes (2)

CNN (Convolutional Neural Network)

- Training AI model [19]
- Deep learning

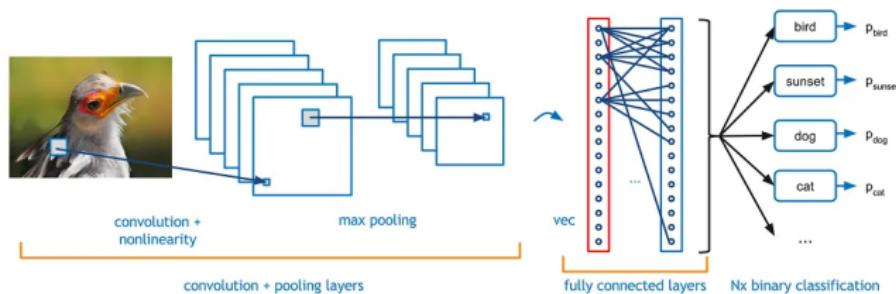


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Example 1: Learning Vector Quantization Model

- Designed by Xiaoou Tang, W. Kenneth Stewart 1998
- Traditional model: only one neuron updated each iteration
- Trained on 6 classes of plankton
- Trained on around 2000 images
- 95% classification accuracy

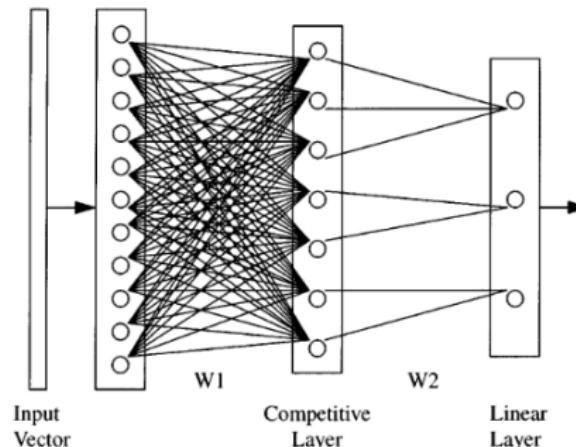


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Example 2: Sosik and Olson

- Designed by Sosik and Olson, 2007
- 3330 images used for performance analysis
- 88% average classification accuracy
- 12 classes with 90%+ accuracy
- 22 classes total

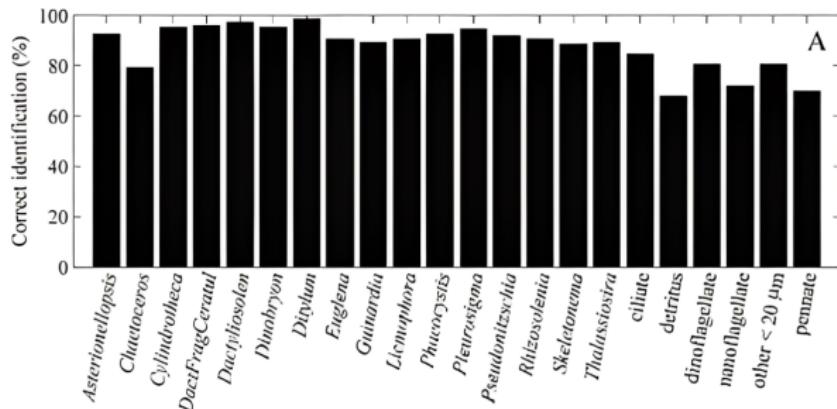


Figure [22]

Example 3: Rawat, Bisht and Nijhawan

- Designed by Rawat, Bisht and Nijhawan, 2019
- Tested AI designs on 5 plankton classes
- Feature Extraction Models: VGG-16, VGG-19 and Inception v3
- Convolutional Neural Network and Inception v3 performed best
- 99.5% accuracy with CNN and Inception v3

ML Algorithm	Accuracy	Precision	Recall
CNN	99.5%	91.1%	90.6%
SVM	99.5%	91.1%	90.3%
Logistic Regression	99.4%	91.1%	90.6%
KNN	97.7%	88.9%	88.3%

Figure [23]

Comparison of machine learning algorithms with inception v3

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Limitations and the Future (1)

- Optimal Design
- Optical Sensors
- Power Consumption
- Image Quality [24]

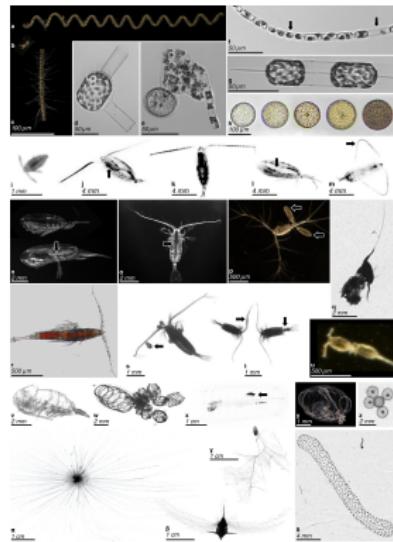


Figure [25]

Limitations and the Future (2)

Software

- Classification algorithms

Future Solutions?

- Improved sensors
- Imaging Technology
- Open source [25]

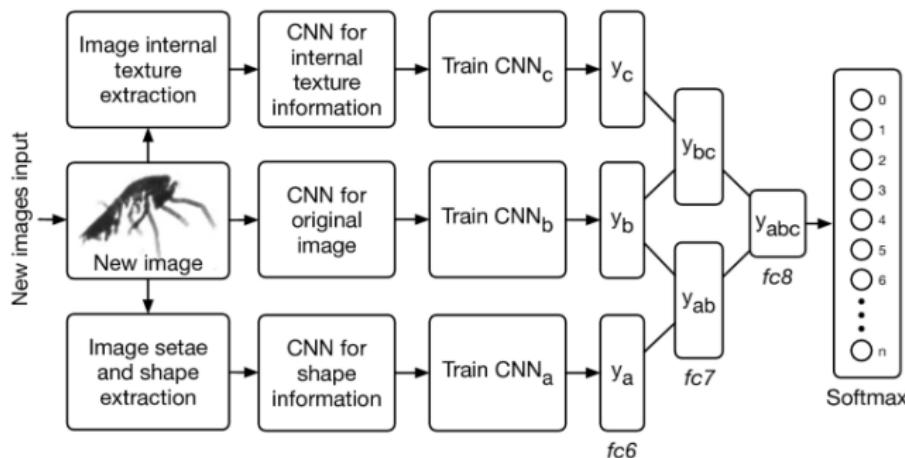


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Summary

- Challenging to identify plankton species
- Importance of identifying plankton
- Solutions
- Future

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