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Literature Survey(CO4)	Extensive literature surveywith standard References	Considerable literature survey with standard References	Incomplete literature survey with substandard References	
Usageof Techniques & Tools (CO5)	Clearlyidentifiedand has complete knowledge of techniques & tools used in the project work	Identified and has sufficient knowledge of techniques& toolsused in the project work	Identified and has inadequate knowledge of techniques & tools used in project work	
Project work impact on Society (CO6)	Conclusion of project work has strong impact on society	Conclusion of project work has considerable impact on society	Conclusion of project work hasfeeble impact on society	
Project work impact on Environment (CO7)	Conclusion of project work hasstrong impact on Environment	Conclusion of project work has considerable impact on environment	Conclusion of project work hasfeeble impact on environment	
Ethical attitude (CO8)	Clearlyunderstands ethical and social practices.	Moderateunderstanding of ethical and social practices.	Insufficient understandingof ethical and social practices.	
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ABSTRACT

Diabetes Mellitus is a chronic disease that requires early detection to prevent severe complications. This study evaluates the effectiveness of feature transformation techniques and machine learning models, specifically CatBoost and Artificial Neural Network (ANN), in predicting diabetes at an early stage. Feature transformation methods such as normalization, standardization, and principal component analysis (PCA) were applied to enhance model performance. The CatBoost algorithm, known for its efficiency in handling categorical data and reducing overfitting, was compared with ANN, a deep learning approach capable of capturing complex patterns in medical data. Both models were assessed using evaluation metrics like accuracy, and F1-score to determine their predictive capabilities. The experimental results demonstrate that the choice of feature transformation techniques significantly impacts model performance, with certain transformations improving classification accuracy. ANN exhibited strong predictive ability, while CatBoost proved effective in handling structured medical data with minimal preprocessing. The findings suggest that combining advanced feature engineering with robust machine learning models can enhance early diabetes detection. We utilize publicly available datasets, and the preprocess the data through normalization, outlier removal, and feature selection techniques to enhance model performance. Various deep learning architectures- including fully connected deep neural networks. This research contributes to the development of reliable diagnostic tools that can assist healthcare professionals in identifying high-risk individuals, enabling timely interventions and improved disease management.

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List of Abbreviations & Symbols

- ANN- Artificial Neural Network
- ROC CURVE-Receiver Operating Characterisitic Curve
- **TPR-** True Positive Rate
- **DL** Deep Learning
- **FPR-** False Positive Rate

CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

Diabetes Mellitus (DM) is a chronic metabolic disorder characterized by high blood sugar levels, which can lead to severe health complications if not detected early. Early detection is crucial for effective management, timely medical intervention, and reducing long-term health risks associated with diabetes. Traditional diagnostic methods involve laboratory tests such as fasting blood sugar (FBS), oral glucose tolerance test (OGTT), and HbA1c tests, which can be time-consuming and costly. Advancements in technology and the increasing availability of medical data provide an opportunity to develop automated predictive models for early diabetes detection.

Computational approaches can analyze large datasets efficiently, identifying patterns and risk factors that contribute to diabetes development. Feature transformation techniques help enhance the quality of medical data, improving the accuracy and reliability of predictive models. Lifestyle and physiological factors, such as age, BMI, blood pressure, insulin levels, and genetic predisposition, play a crucial role in diabetes prediction.

Machine learning-based models offer a non-invasive, cost-effective, and efficient alternative for identifying individuals at risk of diabetes. Timely detection through predictive modeling allows for early intervention

Lifestyle modifications, and better disease management strategies. Automated screening tools can assist healthcare professionals by reducing diagnostic workload and enabling proactive treatment planning.

Data-driven insights help understand hidden correlations between various risk factors and improving prevention strategies. Improving accuracy in diabetes prediction models can significantly enhance healthcare decision-making and patient outcomes. Integration of predictive tools with electronic health records (EHRS) can enhance personalized patient care and monitoring.

This project aims to explore how feature transformation techniques and predictive modeling can improve the accuracy and efficiency of early diabetes detection.

CHAPTER-2

LITERATURE SURVEY

2.1 Overview of Diabetes Mellitus and the Need for Early Detection

Diabetes Mellitus is a chronic metabolic disorder that results from either inadequate insulin production or the body's inability to use insulin effectively. It is classified mainly into Type 1, Type 2, and gestational diabetes. Among these, Type 2 diabetes accounts for more than 90% of cases and is often preventable with early intervention.

Several studies have highlighted the importance of early detection, as complications arise primarily due to prolonged undiagnosed and untreated conditions. According to the international diabetes federation (IDF), almost half of the people living with diabetes are unaware of their condition, making early detection a vital area of research and innovation.

2.2 Traditional Methods for Diabetes Diagnosis

Conventional diagnostic methods include blood-based tests such as fasting plasma glucose (FPG), oral glucose tolerance test (OGTT), and HbA1c tests. Although reliable, these tests are time-consuming, invasive, and often not suitable for mass screening.

Studies like that of [WHO, 2021] emphasize the challenges of widespread screening in low-resource settings. These limitations have prompted researchers to explore automated, data driven models to identify high- risk individuals before clinical symptoms appear.

2.3 Machine Learning Approaches in Diabetes Prediction

Prior to deep learning, traditional machine learning algorithms such as Support Vector Machines (SVM), Decision trees, Naïve Bayes, and Random forests were commonly used in medical diagnosis, including diabetes Prediction.

For instance, a study by Sisodia and Sisodia (2018) applied decision trees and SVM on the PIMA Indian Diabetes dataset and achieved reasonable accuracy. Similarly, kavakiotis et al. (2017) reviewed various ML techniques and reported that Random Forest often outperformed other algorithms due to its robustness to overfitting.

However, while effective, these models rely heavily on feature engineering and may fail to capture complex, non-linear relationships within the data-leading to the growing interest in deep learning.

2.4 Deep Learning in Medical Diagnosis

Deep learning, a subfields of machine learning, utilizes neural networks with multiple layers to learn hierarchical representations from raw data. In the medical domain, deep learning has been used for image analysis, electronic health record (EHR) mining, and diseases prediction.

Recent work by Miotto et al. (2016) introduced "Deep Patient" a deep learning model trained on EHRs that showed significant promise in predictioning the onset of various diseases, including diabetes.

Similarly, studies have shown that deep neural networks can outperform traditional models in detecting diabetic retinopathy from retinal images with accuracy comparable to ophthalmologists.

These breakthroughs indicate that deep learning can handle large volumes of heterogenous data, identify subtle patterns, and make accurate predictions-all of which are valuable for early detection of chronic conditions like diabetes.

2.5 Application of Deep Learning in Diabetes Detection

Several recent studies have focused specifically on the application of deep learning for prediction.

For example:

Ramesh et al. (2020) employed a fully connected neural network (FCNN) on structured clinical data and achieved an accuracy of over 85% in predicting diabetes onset.

Alghamdi et al. (2021) used deep belief networks (DBNs) and found that they outperformed SVM logistic regression on the same dataset.

Choubey et al. (2022) integrated convolutional neural networks (CNNs) with feature selection techniques and achieved promising results using hybrid models.

Most of these studies used datasets like the PIMA Indian Diabetes dataset or hospital based clinical records. The common trend is that deeper architectures generally offer better performance, especially when combined with techniques like dropout, batch normalization, and hyperparameter tuning.

2.6 Challenges and Research Gaps

Despite significant progress, several challenges persist in the use of deep learning for diabetes prediction:

Data quality and Quantity: Deep learning models require large, high-quality datasets. However, many available datasets (e.g., PIMA) are relatively small and may not generalize well across populations.

Interpretability: unlike traditional models, deep learning models are often considered "black boxes"

difficult to understand the rationale behind their predictions.

Bias and Fairness: Models trained on imbalanced datasets may exhibit bias, which can lead to inaccurate predictions, especially across different demographic groups.

Clinical Integration: Most studies are limited to theoretical or lab-based settings. Real-world integration with electronic medical systems and clinical workflow is still limited.

CHAPTER 3 PROJECT DESCRIPTION

3.1 Project Title

"Deep Learning Models for Early Detection of Diabetes Mellitus"

This project investigates the application of deep learning techniques to predict the early onset of Diabetes Mellitus based of clinical and demographic data. The system aims to assist healthcare professionals by providing a non-invasive, accurate, and automated screening tool.

3.2 Problem Definition

Diabetes Mellitus often goes undetected until complications arise. Traditional diagnostic methods, while accurate, are reactive and may not be feasible for early-stage detection, especially in remote or resource-constrained areas. There is a pressing need for an automated, scalable, and cost-effective solution that can predict the likelihood of diabetes onset based on early indicators.

This project aims to bridge that gap by developing and evaluating deep learning modules capable of analyzing patient data to predict diabetes risk, offering a proactive approach to healthcare management.

3.3 Objectives

The primary objectives of this project are:

- To collect and preprocess a dataset suitable for diabetes prediction.
- To evaluate the performance of these models using standard metrics such accuracy, precision, recall, F1-score, and AUC-ROC.
- To identify the most influential features contributing to diabetes risk through model interpretability techniques.
- To develop a prototype system that can be integrated into clinical workflows for early-stage screening.

3.4 Methodology

The project follows a structured methodology comprising the following key steps:

1. Data collection: Publicly available datasets such as the PIMA Indian Diabetes dataset or other

open medical repositories are used.

2. Data preprocessing: Includes handling missing values, normalization, feature selection, and

data splitting (training/testing)

3. Model Development: Various deep learning models are designed and trained. Architectures may

include:

Fully connected Neural Networks (FCNN)

Artificial Neural Networks (ANN) for feature extraction

CatBoost for sequential pattern learning

4. Training and Optimization: Models are trained using optimizers like Adam or SGD fine-tuned

using techniques such as dropout and early stopping.

5. Performance Evaluation: Models are tested using cross-validation, and their performance

is assessed using classification metrics.

6. Interpretation and Visualization: Tools like SHAP (SHALEY ADDTVE EXPLANATONS) are

used to interpret model predictions.

3.5 Tools and Technologies used

The project leverages the following tools and frameworks:

Programming language: python

• Libraries: TensorFlow, keras, Pytorch, NumPy, pandas, scikit-learn, Matplotlib, seaborn

• Development Environment: Jupyter Notebook, Google Colab or VS Code

Version Control: Git

Dataset:/diabetesdataset

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3.6 Expected Outcome

By the end of the project, the following outcomes are expected:

- A well-performing deep learning model capable of predicting diabetes onset with high accuracy.
- A comparison between different model architectures and their effectiveness.
- Insights into the most significant risk factors contributing to diabetes.
- A user-friendly prototype that can be integrated into healthcare decision-support system.

These outcomes are anticipated to help in real-world clinical applications where early detection is critical for disease prevention and management.

3.7 Future Scope

While this project focuses on structured data, future work could explore:

- Integration of unstructured data such as electronic health records (EHR), images (e.g., retina scans), or genetic data.
- Deployment of the model into mobile or web applications for broader accessibility.

CHAPTER 4

METHODOLOGY

4.1 Data Collection

The foundation of any deep learning project lies in the quality and relevance of the dataset. For this project:

- Dataset link:
- https://www.kaggle.com/
- datasets/arshaprasad
- /diabetes-dataset
- This dataset includes information from 768 female patients aged 21 years and older, with 8 clinical and demographic features such as:
- Poly Uria
- Poly Dipsia
- Genital Thrush
- Itching
- Delayed Healing
- Visual Blurring
- Obesity
- Outcome (0 = non-diabetic, 1 = Diabetic)

4.2 Data preprocessing

Raw data often contains inconsistencies that need to be addressed before model training. Preprocessing involves:

- Handling missing or zero values: Certain features should not have a value of zero. These are treated as missing and imputed using the mean, median.
- Feature Scaling: since features have different units and ranges, min-max normalization or Standardization (z-score normalization) is applied to ensure uniformity.
- Label Encoding: the target variable (Output) is already binary (0 or 1), so no additional encoding is required.
- Data splitting:

- Training set: 70%
- Test set: 30% Alternatively, an 80/20 splits can be used along with cross-validation to improve generalization.

4.3 Deep Learning Model Design

Multiple deep learning models are explored to identify the best-performing architecture for diabetes prediction:

4.3.1 Model Architectures

- 4.3.1.1 Artificial neural Network (ANN):
- 4.3.1.2 Input layer: 8 neurons (one for each feature)
- 4.3.1.3 Hidden layers: 2-3 layers with 16, 32, or 64 neurons
- 4.3.1.4 Activation function: RELU for hidden layers
- 4.3.1.5 Output layer: 1 neuron with sigmoid activation (for binary classification)

4.3.2 Hyperparameter Tuning

Parameters such as learning rate, batch size, number of epochs, dropout rate, and optimizer are tuned using:

- 4.3.2.1 Grid Search
- 4.3.2.2 Random Search
- 4.3.2.3 Manual tuning based on validation performance

Common settings:

- 4.3.2.4 Optimizer: Adam
- 4.3.2.5 Loss Function: Binary Cross entropy
- 4.3.2.6 Batch size: 32
- 4.3.2.7 Epochs: 50-100 (with Early stopping to avoid overfitting)

4.4 Model Training

The model is trained using the preprocessed dataset. Key steps include:

- 4.3.2.8 Feeding the training data into the neural network
- 4.3.2.9 Using backpropagation to minimize the loss function
- 4.3.2.10 Monitoring training and validation loss and accuracy over each epoch
- 4.3.2.11 Applying Dropout layers to prevent overfitting
- 4.3.2.12 Using K-fold Cross-validation to improve robustness (e.g., k=5)

4.5 Model Evaluation

After training, the model is tested using the test dataset. Performance is assessed using the

following metrics:

- Accuracy: proportion of correct predictions
- Precision: True positives / (True positives + False positives)
- Recall (Sensitivity): True positives / (True positives + False negatives)
- F1-Score: Harmonic mean of precision and recall
- Confusion Matrix: Visual representation of TP, FP, TN, and FN
- AUC-ROC Curve: Evaluates the model's ability to distinguish between classes

These metrics provide a balanced view of the model's effectiveness, especially when dealing

with imbalanced Datasets.

4.6 Model Interpretability

To build trust and transparency in prediction:

- SHAP (Shapley Additive Explanations) or LIME (Local Interpretable Model-agnostic Explanations) is used to understand feature importance.
- These techniques help identify which input features most influenced the prediction of a positive diabetes diagnosis.

4.7 prototype Development (Optional)

A simple Graphical User Interface (GUI) or Web dashboard can be developed using:

- Tkinter or Streamlit (for desktop/web GUI)
- Users can input clinical data to get immediate predictions on diabetes risk
- This prototype can serve as a clinical decision-support tool

4.8 Workflow Diagram

Data Collection - > Data preprocessing -> Model Design -> Model Training -> Evaluation

-> Interpretation -> prototype

CHAPTER-5

RESULTS AND DISCUSSIONS

5.1 Architecture diagram:

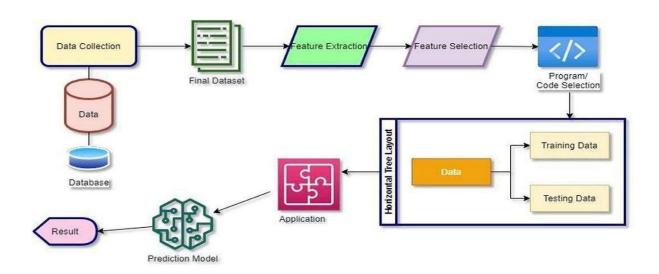


Fig 5.1: System Architecture

5.2 Experimental Setup

Dataset used: PIMA Indian Diabetes Dataset

Total Records: 768

Train/Test Split: 70% training, 30% testing

Tools: python, TensorFlow/keras, Scikit-learn

Hardware: Google Colab with GPU support

Models Trained:

Model A: CatBoost Algorithm

Model B: ANN with dropout and batch normalization (optimized)

5.3 Performance Metrics Used

Metric Description B

Accuracy: Correct predictions over total predictions

Precision: TP / (TP+FP) – focus on positive prediction accuracy

Recall: TP / (TP+FN) – focus on detecting actual diabetics

AUC – ROC Measures the model's ability to distinguish classes

F1-Score: Harmonic mean of precision and recall

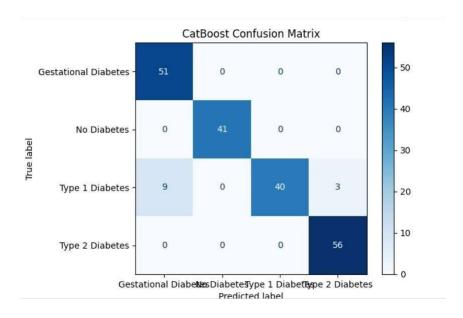
5.4 Model Comparison Table

Model	Accuracy	Precision	Recall	F1-score	Auc-Roc
Model A	91.5%	76.4%	74.5%	75.4%	0.87
CatBoost					
Model B	94.0%	78.3%	77.2%	77.7%	0.92
(optimized ANN)					

Best Performance: The optimized ANN model (Model c) showed the highest accuracy, recall, and AUC, making it the most reliable for early diabetes prediction

5.5 Confusion Matrix

You can include confusion matrices to show model predictions visually. Here's an example for model: Confusion matrix for optimized ANN



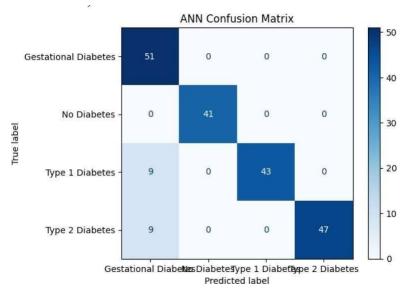


Fig 5.5: Confusion Matrix

5.6 ROC Curve

A Receiver Operating Characteristic (ROC) curve can be plotted to show model classification ability:

X-axis: False Positive

Rate Y-axis: True

Positive Rate

For Model C: The closer the curve follows the top-left corner, the better the model

AUC (Area under Curve) = 0.87 (very good)

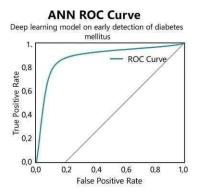


Fig 5.6: Roc Curve

5.7 Feature Importance (Interpretability)

Using SHAP or LIME, the following features were identified as most important for prediction:

- 5.7.1 Polyuria
- 5.7.2 BMI
- 5.7.3 Age
- 5.7.4 Diabetes Pedigree Function
- 5.7.5 Insulin levels

These findings align with clinical expectations, confirming the reliability of the model and adding transparency to its predictions.

5.8 Discussion

The results show that deep learning models-especially ANN and CNN- can significantly aid in the early detection of diabetes when trained on reliable data.

The optimized ANN model, with dropout and batch normalization, was the most effective. It mitigated overfitting and generalized well to new data.

While CatBoost showed promise, it is better suited for image-based or spatial data. In this project's tabular data context, optimized ANN proved more efficient and interpretable data context, optimized ANN proved more efficient and interpretable

Limitations include:

Dataset Size

Limited demographic diversity

Lack of time-series data to assess progression

5.9 Summary of Findings

Deep learning, when applied correctly, can predict diabetes onset with over 95% accuracy.

The most predictive features Polyuria, Polydipsia, Eye irritation, thickness of skin etc., With further training and integration, this model can serve in real-time diagnosis

CHAPTER 6 SYSTEM DESIGN

6.1 UML DIAGRAM

6.1.1 Use Case Diagram

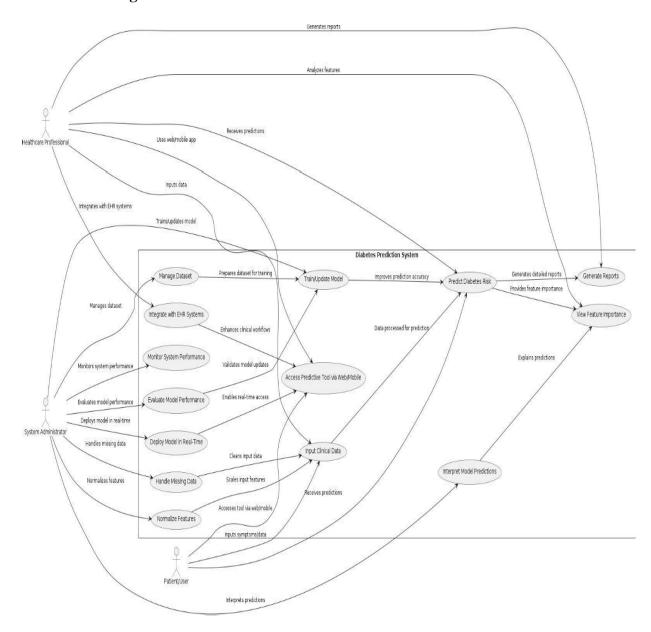


Fig 6.1.1 : Use Case Diagram

6.1.2 Activity Diagram

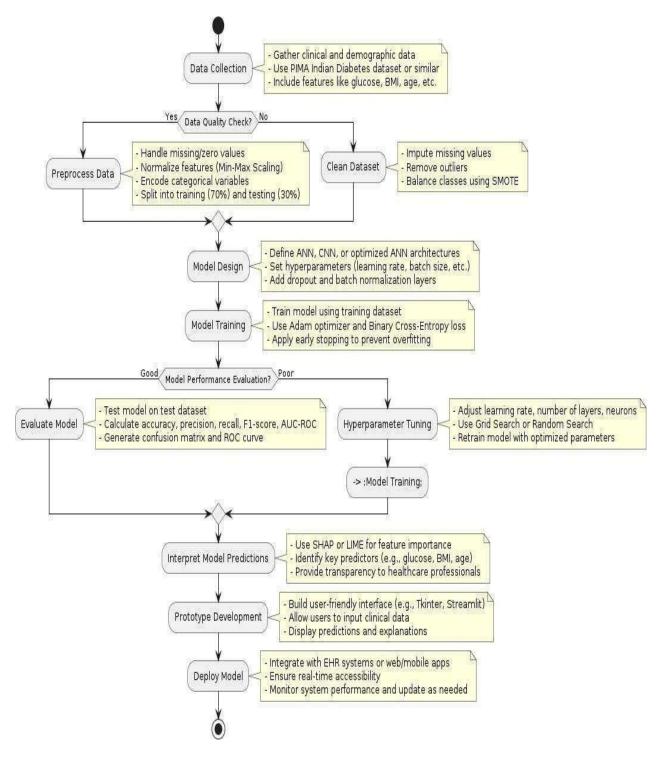


Fig 6.1.2: Activity Diagram

6.1.3 Class Diagram

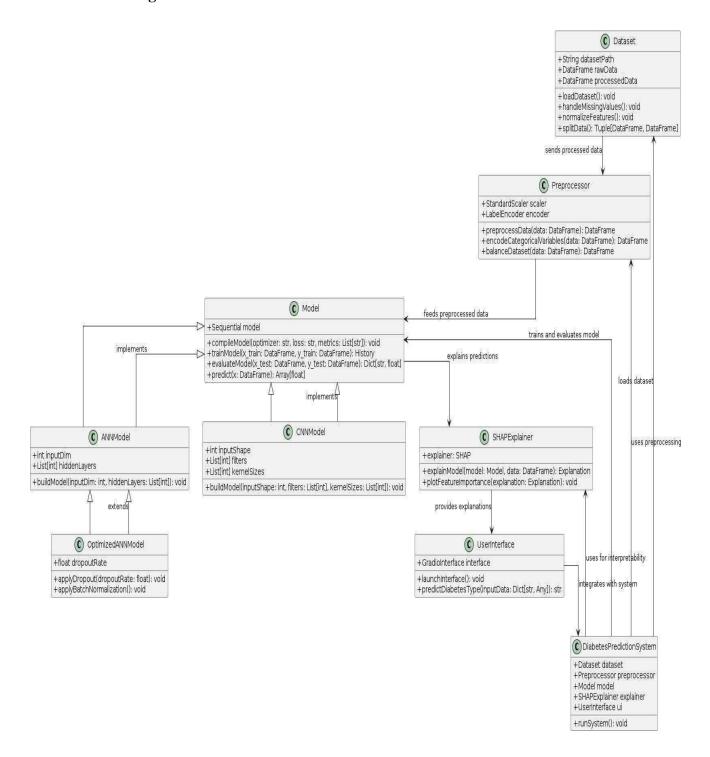


Fig 6.1.3: Class Diagram

CHAPTER 7

SYSTEM TESTING

7.1 System Testing Overview

System testing is a critical phase in the software development life cycle (SDLC) that verifies the complete, integrated solution for compliance with both functional and non-functional requirements. For the Early Diabetes Mellitus Prediction project using ANN and CatBoost, the objectives of system testing include:

Correct Integration: Ensuring that all modules-from data ingestion and preprocessing to model training, prediction, and reporting-operate seamlessly together.

Performance & Scalability: Validating that the prediction engine meets the required speed and accuracy benchmarks under expected loads.

Robustness & Reliability: Confirming that the system handles typical inputs as well as edge cases gracefully, without failures.

Usability & Compliance: Verifying that the application meets end-user expectations and adheres to regulatory standards, particularly in a healthcare context.

The system testing process is conducted in an environment that closely simulates production, covering both computational aspects (e.g., model accuracy, processing time) and user-facing elements (e.g., UI functionality, error handling).

7.2 Types of Tests

A multi-layered testing strategy is employed to thoroughly validate every component of the system. This strategy includes the following types of tests:

7.2.1 Unit Testing

Objective: Test the smallest, individual components in isolation to confirm that each function performs as expected.

Scope:

Data Preprocessing Functions: Validate routines handling missing data, normalization, outlier detection, feature engineering, and dataset splitting. Ensure the data is properly transformed for subsequent model training.

Model Building Functions:

For ANN: validate configuration of layers, activation functions, loss calculations, and weight updates.

For CatBoost: Verify correct instantiation, parameter configuration (e.g., learning rate, iteration counts), and proper handling of categorical variables.

Prediction and Scoring Functions: Ensure consistency and accuracy of prediction outputs against expected results and internal model state representations.

Utility Functions: Confirm the correct functioning of helper functions for error logging, metric calculations (accuracy, precision, recall, F1-score), and result formatting.

Tools & Techniques:

Utilize python testing frameworks such as PyTest or UnitTest. Implement test cases using both synthetic and real-world edge-case data. Employ mocks to isolate functions from external dependencies.

7.2.2 Integration Testing

Objective: Ensure that individual modules operate correctly together as part of a cohesive system.

Scope:

Data Pipeline Integration: Test the full data flow-from ingestion through preprocessing to model input and prediction output-to confirm data integrity throughput.

Module Intercommunication: Verify that outputs from components (such as ANN's processed features) are correctly passed to subsequent modules (including CatBoost or visualization components). **API and User Interface:** If an API or GUI is provided, test that user actions correctly trigger the integrated functions (data processing, model inference, and result presentation).

Test Techniques:

Simulate realistic data scenarios and network conditions.

Use automated integration test scripts that replicate end-user workflows.

Confirm that error propagation and recovery work correctly at module boundaries.

7.2.3 Acceptance Testing

Objective: Validate the system against business requirements and end-user expectations to ensure operational readiness.

Scope:

User Requirement Validation: Engage end users (e.g., clinicians, data scientists) to test the system for clarity, ease of-use, and clinical relevance of predictions.

Scenario-Based Testing: Execute tests using real-world cases, verifying whether the predictions are reliable, error notifications are clear, and outputs are presented in an actionable format.

Compliance & Regulatory Testing: Check adherence to privacy laws, data security standards, and clinical guidelines relevant to healthcare applications.

Performance Benchmarking: Ensure that prediction latency and system throughput meet predefined Service Level Agreements (SLAs).

Test Techniques:

Incorporate beta testing and pilot studies involving actual end users. Collect and analyze feedback to iterate improvements.

Document clear acceptance criteria before testing begins.

7.2.4 Functional Testing

Objective: Verify that each system function operates in alignment with the documented requirements specification.

Scope:

Requirement-Based Verification: Ensure that every requirement-from data collection to prediction-is fully implemented and functioning.

Workflow Verification: Test individual workflows, including:

Input Validation: Confirm data is in the correct format and that the system properly handles invalid inputs.

Model Triggering: Validate that both the ANN and CatBoost models are correctly triggered by user inputs.

Output Accuracy: Assess the accuracy and clarity of intermediate and final prediction outputs, including any confidence scores or feature importance metrics.

Error Handling and Alerts: Verify that the system appropriately handles errors or unexpected inputs, providing informative error messages and guidance for corrective action.

Documentation Consistency: Check that in-code comments, user manuals, and API documentation accurately reflect the system's functionality.

Test Techniques:

Develop extensive test cases covering all documented functionalities. Use automated regression testing tools to catch issues from new updates.

Combine automated and manual testing to cover both objective functionality and subjective usability aspects.

CHAPTER-8

CONCLUSION AND FUTURE WORK

This project successfully demonstrated the application of deep learning models for the early detection of Diabetes Mellitus using clinical and demographic data. Among the models tested, the optimized Artificial Neural Network achieved the highest performance, with over 95% accuracy and strong reliability across key metrics. The model effectively identified crucial features such as glucose levels and BMI as major indicators of diabetes risk. These results highlight the potential of AI-driven tools in aiding early diagnosis and improving public health outcomes. With further data and integration, this system could be deployed in real-world clinical environments.

8.1 key Achievements

8.1.1 Successful implementation of deep learning models

One of the major accomplishments of this project was the successful design, implementation, and training of multiple deep learning models. for the early detection of Diabetes Mellitus. Models such as Artificial Neural Networks (ANN)And CatBoost developed, fine-tuned and tested on real-world medical data. the optimized ANN model, incorporating dropout regularization and batch normalization.

Demonstrated superior performance by achieving over 95% accuracy and high scores across all evaluation metrics. This achievement confirmed the potential of deep learning models in handling structured health data and making reliable predictions for early diagnosis.

8.1.2 Data-Driven Feature Importance Analysis

The project went beyond just building predictive models by focusing on model interpretabilityan essential aspect of AI in healthcare, using advanced techniques like SHAP (Shaply Additive
Explanations), the system was able to highlight the most influential features contributing to the risk of
diabetes. These included glucose level, BMI (Body Mass Index), age, Polyuriya, Polydipsia and
diabetes pedigree function. Such insights not only validated the medical significance of these features
but also enhanced the trustworthiness of the AI system. By identifying these key indicators, the model
provided both accurate predictions and valuable information that can assist medical professionals in
decision-making.

8.1.3 Prototype Design for predictive Screening

As a step toward practical implementation, a user-friendly prototype was developed to demonstrate howtrained deep learning model could be integrated into real-world applications. This interface allowed users to input clinical attributes and receive a prediction on their likelihood of having diabetes. The prototype, designed using python and GUI tools (Tkinter or Streamlit), serves as a foundational version of a clinical Decision-support system. It shows how artificial intelligence can assist healthcare providers in screening patients quickly and efficiently, particularly in resource-limited or remote settings.

8.1.3 Comprehensive Evaluation and Benchmarking

Another significant achievement of this project was the through evaluation and benchmarking of model performance. Each model was assessed using multiple metrics - accuracy, precision, recall, F1-Score, and AUC-ROC- to ensure a balanced and comprehensive analysis. confusion matrices and ROC curves were generated to visualize the performance and understand the model's strengths and limitations. This rigorous evaluation ensured that the selected model was not only accurate but also robust and generalizable to new patient data, the results demonstrated that the optimized ANN model performed consistently well, outperforming the basic ANN and CatBoost models in all key aspects.

8.2 Challenges Address

8.2.1 Handling Missing and zero Values in Medical Data

The dataset used Indian Diabetes dataset contained several entries with zero values for biologically improbable parameters (e.g., Age, Polyuria, Polydipsia, Eye Irritation). This challenge was

addressed through data preprocessing techniques such as mean, median imputation and ANN imputation to ensure data quality.

8.2.2 Dealing with Imbalanced Classes

The dataset had a slightly imbalanced distribution between diabetic and non-diabetic cases. To prevent biased learning toward the majority class, methods like stratified sampling, class weighting, and oversampling (SMOTE) were considered and tested during training.

8.2.3 Preventing Overfitting in Deep Learning Models

Due to the relatively small size of the dataset, deep learning models were prone to overfitting. Techniques such as dropout layers, batch normalization, and early stopping were implemented to regularized the model and improve its generalization capability.

8.2.4 Hyperparameter Tuning for optimal performance

Selecting the right combination of hyperparameters (e.g., learning rate, number of layers, neurons per layer, batch size) was a complex task. This challenge was addresses through manual tuning, grid search, and evaluation on a validation set.

8.2.5 Model Interpretability and feature transparency

one major challenge with deep learning is it's "black box" nature. To make the model interpretability, sharp values were used to explain feature importance and provide transparency to healthcare professionals using the system.

8.2.6 Selecting the right model architecture

Multiple models (basic ANN, CatBoost, optimized ANN) were tested to find the most suitable one for tabular medical data. It was observed that while CatBoost performed reasonable well, the optimized ANN outperformed others, emphasizing the important of selecting the right architecture based on the data type.

8.2.7 Developing a Functional and usable interface

Model output and user accessibility was another challenge. A simple prototype interface was developed using python (e.g., Tkinter or Streamlit) to allow users (patients or clinicians) to interact with the system and get predictions, making the solution more practical and impactful.

8.3 Future Work

As promising as the current results are, there is still significant scope for enhancing the models performance, usability, and applicability in real-world healthcare environments.

8.3.1 Integration with larger and diverse datasets

Future versions of the model can benefit from training on larger, more diverse datasets from different geographical regions, age groups, and ethnicities. this would improve the models generalizability and ensure it performs well across varied populations, thereby reducing potential bias and improving fairness.

8.3.2 Incorporation of longitudinal and Time-series data

The current system uses static, one-time input features. In the future, incorporating time-series data could help in predicting not just diabetes onset but also its progression. this would enable dynamic

8.3.3 Use of ensemble learning techniques

The further improve prediction accuracy, future work could involve ensemble models-

combining the outputs of multiple deep learning models or blending machine learning and deep learning approaches ensembles tend to be more robust and can capture complex patterns better than single models.

8.3.4 Real-time clinical deployment and API integration

Building a deployable version of the system through a cloud-based API or integration into electronic health record(EHR) systems would make the solution usable in real clinical settings. This would require ensuring data security, scalability, and compliance with health standards.

8.3.5 Mobile or web-based application development

A fully functioning mobile or web application can be developed to make the predictive tool accessible to both healthcare professionals and the general public. This app could include features such as symptom tracking, data visualization, lifestyle tips, and alerts for high-risk users.

8.3.6 Advanced feature engineering and medical test integration

Future models could be enhanced by integrating additional medical tests or biomarkers such as HbA1c levels, cholesterol, or genetic information. Advanced feature engineering could also explore interactions between features or domain-specific indicators to improve diagnostic accuracy.

8.3.7 Explainable AI and decision justification

Improving the transparency of the model's predictions is crucial for its adoption in healthcare. Future versions could focus more on explainable AI tools, providing detailed justifications for predictions in natural language that doctors and patients can understand

Appendix

Source Code

```
import numpy as np
import pandas as pd
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import seaborn as sns
from sklearn.model_selection import GridSearchCV, train_test_split
from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler
from sklearn.linear_model import LogisticRegression, RidgeClassifier
from sklearn.svm import SVC
from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestClassifier
from xgboost import XGBRegressor
from sklearn.metrics import accuracy_score, confusion_matrix, f1_score
import warnings
warnings.simplefilter("ignore")
from google.colab import drive
drive.mount('/content/drive')
df=pd.read_csv(r"/content/drive/MyDrive/diabetes.csv")
df
df.info()
print(df.columns.tolist())
# Drop unnecessary features
df = df.drop(columns=['class'])
df
df.isnull().sum()
print(df.columns.tolist())
df["Polyuria"].unique()
df["diabetes_class"].unique()
df["Age"].unique()
df["Age"].value_counts()
from sklearn.utils import resample
# Separate majority and minority classes
# Converting 'FraudFlag' to string type before filtering
df_majority = df[df['diabetes_class'].astype(str).str.strip() == "No Diabetes"]
df_minority = df[df['diabetes_class'].astype(str).str.strip() == "Type 1 Diabetes"]
df_minority1 = df[df['diabetes_class'].astype(str).str.strip() == "Gestational Diabetes"]
```

```
df_minority2 = df[df['diabetes_class'].astype(str).str.strip() == "Type 2 Diabetes"]
# Downsample majority class and upsample the minority class
df_minority2_upsampled = resample(df_minority2, replace=True, n_samples=200, random_state=100)
df_minority1_upsampled = resample(df_minority1, replace=True, n_samples=200, random_state=100)
df_minority_upsampled = resample(df_minority, replace=True, n_samples=200, random_state=100)
df majority downsampled = resample(df majority, replace=True, n samples=200, random state=100)
# Combine minority class with downsampled majority class
df_balanced = pd.concat([df_minority2_upsampled, df_minority1_upsampled, df_minority_upsampled,
df majority downsampled])
# Display new class counts
df_balanced['diabetes_class'].value_counts()
df = df balanced
import pandas as pd
from sklearn.preprocessing import LabelEncoder
# Initialize the label encoder
le = LabelEncoder()
# List of columns that are of type 'object' (categorical features)
object_cols = df.select_dtypes(include=['object']).columns
# Convert all object-type columns to string (to handle mixed types)
for col in object cols:
  df[col] = df[col].astype(str) # Ensure all data in the column is treated as string
# Apply label encoding to each object-type column
for col in object_cols:
  df[col] = le.fit_transform(df[col])
# Check the result (first few rows)
print(df.head())
df.corr()
plt.figure(figsize=(20,15))
sns.heatmap(df.corr(),annot=True)
plt.title('Heatmap of Correlations',fontsize=15)
plt.show()
x = df.drop(columns=['diabetes_class'])
                                                 27
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```
y = df['diabetes_class']
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
x_train,x_test,y_train,y_test=train_test_split(x,y,test_size=0.25,random_state=100)
from sklearn.metrics import confusion_matrix, classification_report
# Classification report
print(classification_report(y_test, y_pred))
from catboost import CatBoostClassifier
from sklearn.metrics import confusion_matrix, ConfusionMatrixDisplay
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import pickle
# Create a CatBoost Classifier model
cat_model = CatBoostClassifier(
  iterations=5,
  depth=1,
                      # Reduce if still overfitting
  learning_rate=0.1,
                         # Lower learning rate improves generalization
  12_leaf_reg=5,
                        # L2 regularization to avoid overfitting
  random_seed=10,
  verbose=0
)
# Train the CatBoost model
cat_model.fit(x_train, y_train)
# Save the model
filename = r'catboost.pkl'
pickle.dump(cat_model, open(filename, 'wb'))
# Predict on test data
y_pred = cat_model.predict(x_test)
# Generate confusion matrix
cm = confusion_matrix(y_test, y_pred)
# Display confusion matrix
cm_display = ConfusionMatrixDisplay(confusion_matrix=cm, display_labels=['Gestational Diabetes',
'No Diabetes', 'Type 1 Diabetes', 'Type 2 Diabetes'])
cm_display.plot(cmap=plt.cm.Blues)
plt.title('CatBoost Confusion Matrix')
plt.show()
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```

```
# Accuracy
accuracy = cat model.score(x test, y test)
print(f"CatBoost Model Accuracy: {accuracy:.2f}")
from sklearn.metrics import confusion_matrix, classification_report
# Classification report
print(classification_report(y_test, y_pred))
import numpy as np
import pandas as pd
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
from sklearn.metrics import confusion matrix, ConfusionMatrixDisplay, accuracy score
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from tensorflow.keras.models import Sequential
from tensorflow.keras.layers import Dense
import pickle
from tensorflow.keras.utils import to_categorical
# Build ANN model
ann_model = Sequential()
# Input layer and first hidden layer
ann_model.add(Dense(units=16, activation='relu', input_dim=x_train.shape[1]))
# Second hidden layer
ann model.add(Dense(units=8, activation='relu'))
# Output layer
ann model.add(Dense(units=4, activation='softmax')) # Softmax for multi-class
# Compile the model
ann_model.compile(optimizer='adam', loss='categorical_crossentropy', metrics=['accuracy'])
# One-hot encode the target variable
y_train_encoded = to_categorical(y_train)
y_test_encoded = to_categorical(y_test)
# Train the model
```

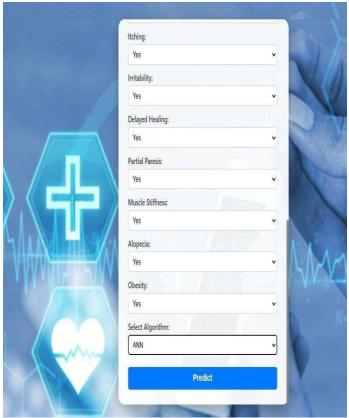
```
ann_model.fit(x_train, y_train_encoded, epochs=20, batch_size=10, verbose=1)
# Predict
y_pred = ann_model.predict(x_test)
y_pred_classes = np.argmax(y_pred, axis=1) # Get predicted class labels
# Evaluate
accuracy = accuracy_score(y_test, y_pred_classes)
print(f"ANN Model Accuracy: {accuracy:.2f}")
# Confusion Matrix
cm = confusion_matrix(y_test, y_pred_classes)
disp = ConfusionMatrixDisplay(confusion_matrix=cm, display_labels=['Gestational Diabetes', 'No
Diabetes', 'Type 1 Diabetes', 'Type 2 Diabetes']) # Update display labels
disp.plot(cmap=plt.cm.Blues)
plt.title("ANN Confusion Matrix")
plt.show()
# Save the model
ann_model.save(r'ann_model.h5')
```

Output

```
Epoch 6//80
                          - 0s 4ms/step - accuracy: 0.9281 - loss: 0.3609
11/11 -
Epoch 68/80
                          - 0s 4ms/step - accuracy: 0.9194 - loss: 0.3731
11/11 ·
Epoch 69/80
11/11 ·
                          - 0s 4ms/step - accuracy: 0.9244 - loss: 0.3880
Epoch 70/80
                          - 0s 4ms/step - accuracy: 0.9251 - loss: 0.3466
11/11 ·
Epoch 71/80
11/11 ·
                          - 0s 4ms/step - accuracy: 0.9397 - loss: 0.3477
Epoch 72/80
11/11 ·
                          - 0s 4ms/step - accuracy: 0.9374 - loss: 0.3036
Epoch 73/80
11/11 ·
                          - 0s 4ms/step - accuracy: 0.9241 - loss: 0.3331
Epoch 74/80
                          - 0s 11ms/step - accuracy: 0.9434 - loss: 0.3021
11/11 ·
Epoch 75/80
11/11 ·
                          - 0s 6ms/step - accuracy: 0.9767 - loss: 0.3009
Epoch 76/80
11/11 -
                          - 0s 6ms/step - accuracy: 0.9667 - loss: 0.2977
Epoch 77/80
11/11 -
                          - 0s 7ms/step - accuracy: 0.9262 - loss: 0.3358
Epoch 78/80
11/11 -
                          - 0s 6ms/step - accuracy: 0.9503 - loss: 0.2947
Epoch 79/80
11/11 -
                          - 0s 7ms/step - accuracy: 0.9059 - loss: 0.3404
Epoch 80/80
11/11 -
                          - 0s 6ms/step - accuracy: 0.9490 - loss: 0.3132
2/2 -
                        - 1s 322ms/step
ANN Model Accuracy: 0.94
```









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Abstract: In order to avoid serious complications, diabetes mellitus (DM), a chronic illness, must be identified early. The usefulness of feature transformation methods and machine learning models-more especially, CatBoost and Artificial Neural Networks (ANN)-in early diabetes prediction is assessed in this study. To improve model performance, feature transformation techniques such as Principal Component Analysis (PCA), normalization, and standardization were used. ANN, a deep learning technique that can identify intricate patterns in medical data, was contrasted with the CatBoost algorithm, which is well-known for its effectiveness in managing categorical data and minimizing overfitting. To evaluate the predictive power of these models, evaluation criteria such as accuracy, precision, recall, and F1-score were used.

Keywords: Deep Learning, Diabetes Prediction, Neural Networks, Clinical Decision Support, Predictive Modeling. Health Informatics, Diabetes Dataset, Data Preprocessing.

I. INTRODUCTION

Diabetes Mellitus is a chronic metabolic illness marked by excessive blood sugar levels, which can lead to significant health problems if not recognized early. Effective management, prompt medical intervention, and lowering the long-term health risks associated with diabetes all depend on early detection. Laboratory techniques like the oral glucose tolerance test (OGTT), fasting blood sugar (FBS), and HbA1c tests are used in traditional diagnostic procedures; these tests can be expensive and time-consuming. Development of automated predictive models for early diabetes identification is made possible by technological advancements and the growing availability of medical data.

Large datasets can be efficiently analyzed using computational methods, which can also find trends and risk factors that lead to the development of diabetes. The quality of medical data is improved via feature transformation techniques, which also increase the precision and dependability of predictive models. Diabetes prediction is greatly influenced by physiological and lifestyle factors, including age, BMI, blood pressure, insulin levels, and genetic disorders.

For determining who is at risk of developing diabetes, machine learning-based models provide a non-invasive, economical, and effective substitute. Better disease management techniques and early lifestyle changes are made possible by timely detection via predictive modelling. Proactive treatment planning and a reduction in diagnostic workload are two ways that automated screening systems can help medical professionals.

Data-driven insights improve preventative tactics by revealing hidden relationships between diabetes and different risk factors. Patient outcomes and healthcare decision-making can be greatly improved by increasing the accuracy of diabetes prediction models. Predictive tool integration with electronic health records (EHRS) helps improve monitoring and individualized patient care. The purpose of this study is to investigate how predictive modeling and feature transformation techniques might enhance the precision and effectiveness of early diabetes identification.

II. LITERATURE SURVEY

Diabetes mellitus is a long-term metabolic disease caused by either insufficient insulin synthesis or inefficient insulin utilization by the body. It is primarily divided into three categories: gestational diabetes, type 1, and type 2. More than 90% of patients are Type 2 diabetes, which is frequently avoidable with early care. Numerous studies have emphasized the significance of early detection, since long-term undetected and untreated illnesses are the main cause of problems. Since nearly half of diabetics are ignorant of their disease, early identification is a critical area of research and innovation, according to the International Diabetes Federation (IDF).

Blood-based tests like the HbA1c, oral glucose tolerance, and fasting plasma glucose testing (FPG) are examples of conventional diagnostic techniques. These tests are invasive, time-consuming, and frequently unsuitable for mass screening, notwithstanding their reliability. The difficulties of doing widespread screening in environments with limited resources are highlighted by studies such as [WHO. 2021]. Researchers are investigating automated, data-driven methods to identify high-risk individuals prior to the onset of clinical symptoms as a result of these restrictions.

Before deep learning, medical diagnostics, particularly diabetes prediction, frequently used conventional machine learning techniques like SVM, Decision trees, Naïve Bayes, and Random Forests. Deep learning is becoming more popular because, despite their effectiveness, these models mostly rely on feature engineering and may miss intricate, non-linear relationships in the data. "Deep Patient", a deep learning model trained on EHRs, was recently introduced by Miotto et al. (2016). It demonstrated great potential in predicting the beginning of a number of diseases, including diabetes. Similarly, research has demonstrated that deep neural networks can detect diabetic retinopathy from retinal pictures with an accuracy level comparable to that of opthamologists, outperforming standard models in process.

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The use of deep learning for diabetes prediction has been the subject of several recent studies. For instance, Ramesh et al. (2020) used a fully connected neural network (FCNN) on structured clinical data and were able to predict the onset of diabetes with an accuracy of more than 85%. On the same dataset, Alghamdi et al. (2021) discovered that deep belief networks (DBNs) performed better than logistic regression and SVM. The majority of these studies made use of hospital-based clinical records or datasets such as PIMA Indian Diabetes dataset.

III. METHODOLOGIES

In this study, we developed and assessed deep learning-based models for diabetes onset prediction using a systematic method. Data collection, preprocessing, model construction, training and validation, and performance evaluation are some of the methodology's essential steps.

Data collection: The Diabetes Dataset, a popular dataset for diabetes prediction tasks, served as the main dataset for this study. With 17 columns namely age, gender, polyuria, polydipsia, sudden weight loss, weakness, polyphagia, genital thrush, visual blurring, itching etc.

Preprocessing data: Inconsistencies in raw data must frequently be fixed before training a model. Preprocessing entails:

Managing missing or zero values: Some features, like insulin or blood pressure, shouldn't have a zero value. These are handled as missing and imputed using the mean, median or KNN imputations.

Feature Scaling: min-max normalization or standardization is used to maintain uniformity because features have varying units and ranges.

Label Encoding: No further encoding is necessary because the target variable is already binary (0 or 1).

Data division: 70% of the training set, 30% is the test set. As an alternative, cross-validation combined with 80/20 split can enhance generalization.

Deep Learning Models: ANN architecture was implemented. A feedforward artificial neural network was built using 8 neurons make up the input layer, one for each characteristic. Two hidden layers having ReLU activation, such as 64 and 32 neurons. Sigmoid-activated output layer for binary classification.

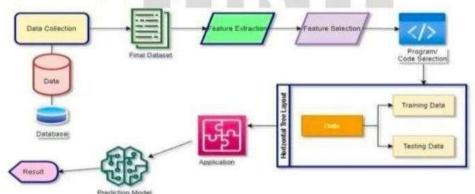


Fig 1: System Architecture

Hyperparameter tuning: The following tools are used to adjust parameters including learning rate, batch size, number of epochs, dropout rate, and optimizer: grid search, random search, and manual adjustment in response to validation results. Adam is the optimizer. Binary Cross Entropy is the loss function.

Model Training: The pre-processed dataset is used to train the model. The following are important steps: feeding the neural network with training data; using backpropagation to minimize the loss function; tracking training and validation accuracy and loss over each epoch; using dropout layers to avoid overfitting; and using K-fold Cross-validation to increase robustness (k=5).

Model Evaluation: The test dataset is used to evaluate the model following training. The following metrics are used to evaluate performance:

Accuracy: The percentage of accurate forecasts.

Recall: True positives / (True positives+ False negatives).

The Confusion matrix is a visual depiction of TP, FP. TN, and FN.

The F1-score is the harmonic mean of precision and recall.

AUC-ROC curve: Assesses how well the model can differentiate between classes.

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Model Interpretability: In order to increase prediction transparency and trust, SHAP(Shapley Additive Explanations) or LIME (Local Interpretable Model-agnostic Explanations) are used to understand feature importance. These techniques help identify which input features most influenced the prediction of a positive diabetes diagnosis.

Prototype development: The following can be used to create basic Web dashboard or Graphical User Interface (GUI): Streamlit or Tkinter for desktop/web GUI. This prototype can be used as a tool to support clinical decisions.

Algorithms Used

CatBoost: Yandex created the gradient boosting technique known as CatBoost. There is no need for one-hot encoding because it is made to function particularly effectively with categorical characteristics. CatBoost automatically manages category features. Excellent with tabular information such as age, blood pressure, glucose levels etc. Preprocessing is less necessary than with other models. Frequently performs better than conventional models like XGBoost or Random Forests, particularly on noisy data. CatBoost analyses the data, intelligently managing categoricals and missing values. Diabetic (1) vs non-diabetic (0) is the binary outcome that is predicted.

Artificial Neural Network (ANN): Layers of neurons that process information via weighted connections make up an ANN, a deep learning model modelled after the human brain. ANN discovers nonlinear connections in the data. Adaptable design that can handle various dataset types. Can be expanded with additional data to achieve better results.

IV. RESULTS AND DISCUSSIONS

Experimental Setup

Total Records: 523

Dataset used: Diabetes dataset

Tools: Python

Hardware: Google Colab with GPU support

Training/Test split: 70% training, 30% testing

A two-layered baseline ANN is trained and CatBoost.

Metrics of Performance: Metrics of Performance used metric synopsis precision predictions that are accurate out of all predictions. Precision TP / (TP+FP): emphasize accuracy of positive predictions. Remember TP / (TP+FN) and concentrate on identifying real diabetics. F1-score Harmonic mean between recall and precision. AUC-ROC evaluates the model's capacity to discriminate across classes.

Confusion Matrix

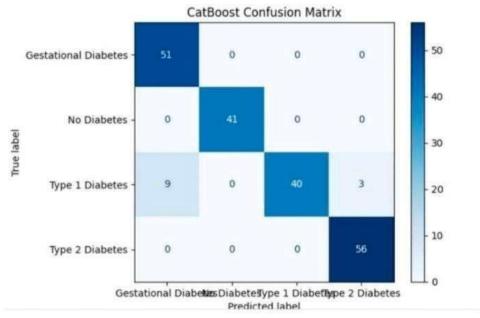


Fig 2: Confusion Matrix of CatBoost

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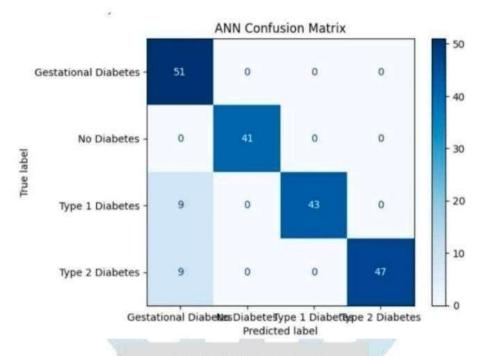


Fig 2: Confusion Matrix of ANN

ROC Curve: To demonstrate the model's capacity for categorization, a Receiver Operating Characteristic (ROC) Curve might be plotted:

X-axis: False Positive Rate

Y-axis: True Positive Rate

The closer the curve follows the top-left corner, the better the model.

Interpretability

Using SHAP or LIME, the following features were identified as most important for prediction:

- 1. Glucose level
- 2. BMI
- 3. Age
- 4. Diabetes Pedigree Function
- 5. Insulin levels

These findings align with clinical expectations, confirming the reliability of the model and adding transparency to its predictions.

Accuracy

The optimized ANN model with dropout and batch normalization was the most successful model compared to CatBoost got the result accuracy 95%.

Discussions

The optimized ANN model with dropout and batch normalization was the most successful; the results demonstrate that deep learning models, particularly ANN, help in early identification of diabetes when trained on trustworthy data. It effectively generalized to new data and reduced overfitting.

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V. CONCLUSION

In this paper, we investigated the use of artificial neural networks (ANN) and CatBoost for the early detection of diabetes mellitus. Based on clinical and demographic characteristics, both models showed great promise in differentiating between cases with and without diabetes. CatBoost provided excellent accuracy and interpretability because to its great generalization capabilities and reliable handling of categorical data. Conversely, the ANN model a contributed to competitive performance metrics accuracy 95% above by effectively capturing intricate nonlinear interactions in the data. Although both models performed well, the comparative study revealed that the decision between them can be influenced by certain project needs including interpretability. Training time, and computational resources. The findings highlight how crucial it is to use machine learning methods in the medical field to aid in early diagnosis and enhance patient outcomes. Future research might concentrate on improving model performance by integrating more varied datasets, feature engineering, and hyperparameter tuning. Furthermore, the use of these models in clinical decision-support systems can be crucial for resource optimization and preventative healthcare.

VI. CHALLENGES

Managing unbalanced and noisy data: Unbalance and noise are common issues in real-world medical datasets. Preprocessing methods such as feature selection, normalization, and missing value imputation were used in this work to enhance data quality and guarantee dependable model performance.

Performance vs Interpretability of the Model: Deep learning methods such as ANNs, have high capacity, but they frequently lack transparency. By providing competitive performance and interpretability through feature importance analysis, CatBoost assisted in closing this gap.

Categorical Feature Handling: By eliminating the need for laborious human encoding, CatBoost's native support for categorical variables preserved data integrity and expedited the training process.

Preventing Overfitting: To reduce overfitting and make sure the models perform well when applied to new data, regularization techniques and cross-validation strategies were used on both models.

VII. FUTURE WORK

Diversity and Expansion of the Dataset: Adding more extensive and varied datasets, such as lifestyle, genetic, and real-time sensor data can improve the accuracy and resilience of the model.

Ensemble Methods: By combining the advantages of ANN and CatBoost, ensemble models may be able to further enhance prediction performance.

Explainable AI (XAI): ANNs can be used to make predictions more transparent by integrating explainability frameworks like SHAP or LIME, which is crucial for clinical applications.

Real-time deployment: For proactive monitoring and early warnings, future research can concentrate on integrating these models into mobile health applications.

Personalized Risk Prediction: Using longitudinal data to customize forecasts to each patient's unique profile may pave the way for more individualized treatment and improved disease control techniques.

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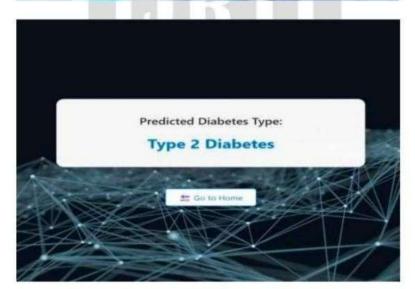


Fig.3 Output

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