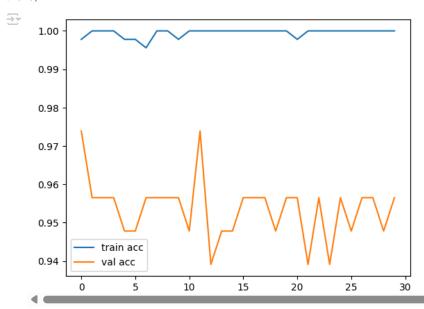
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This project is focused on building a deep learning model to detect sickle cells from blood smear images.
The main idea was to take medical image data and use CNNs to classify whether sickle cells are present or not.
I worked with a dataset from Uganda that includes both labeled positive images and clear negative images.
This is part of my learning journey in machine learning and applying it to real-world health problems.
Everything is done in Google Colab using TensorFlow and Keras.
import os
import zipfile
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from tensorflow.keras.preprocessing.image import ImageDataGenerator
from tensorflow.keras.models import Sequential
from tensorflow.keras.layers import Conv2D, MaxPooling2D, Flatten, Dense, Dropout
from sklearn.model selection import train test split
from tensorflow.keras.utils import to_categorical
from google.colab import drive
drive.mount('/content/drive')
→ Mounted at /content/drive
!cp -r "/content/drive/MyDrive/Colab Notebooks/sickle_cell_dataset" ./sickle_cell_dataset
Double-click (or enter) to edit
import shutil
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
import glob
# Paths
positive = glob.glob('/content/sickle_cell_dataset/Labelled/*.jpg')
negative = glob.glob('/content/sickle_cell_dataset/Clear/*.jpg')
# Split
pos_train, pos_val = train_test_split(positive, test_size=0.2, random_state=42)
neg_train, neg_val = train_test_split(negative, test_size=0.2, random_state=42)
# Create directories
os.makedirs('dataset/train/positive', exist_ok=True)
os.makedirs('dataset/train/negative', exist ok=True)
os.makedirs('dataset/val/positive', exist_ok=True)
os.makedirs('dataset/val/negative', exist_ok=True)
# Move files
for f in pos train:
    shutil.copy(f, 'dataset/train/positive')
for f in pos val:
    shutil.copy(f, 'dataset/val/positive')
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for f in neg_train:
    shutil.copy(f, 'dataset/train/negative')
for f in neg val:
    shutil.copy(f, 'dataset/val/negative')
train gen = ImageDataGenerator(rescale=1./255)
val gen = ImageDataGenerator(rescale=1./255)
train_data = train_gen.flow_from_directory('dataset/train',
                                           target_size=(150, 150),
                                          batch_size=32,
                                           class mode='binary')
val data = val gen.flow from directory('dataset/val',
                                       target_size=(150, 150),
                                       batch_size=32,
                                       class_mode='binary')
Found 454 images belonging to 2 classes.
     Found 115 images belonging to 2 classes.
model = Sequential([
    Conv2D(32, (3,3), activation='relu', input shape=(150,150,3)),
    MaxPooling2D(2,2),
    Conv2D(64, (3,3), activation='relu'),
    MaxPooling2D(2,2),
    Flatten(),
    Dropout(0.5),
    Dense(128, activation='relu'),
    Dense(1, activation='sigmoid')
])
model.compile(optimizer='adam', loss='binary crossentropy', metrics=['accuracy'])
/usr/local/lib/python3.11/dist-packages/keras/src/layers/convolutional/base_conv.py:107: UserWarning: Do not pass an `input_shape`/`input_dim` argument to a layer. When using
       super().__init__(activity_regularizer=activity_regularizer, **kwargs)
history = model.fit(train_data, validation_data=val_data, epochs=30)
→ Epoch 1/30
     15/15 -
                             — 3s 229ms/step - accuracy: 0.9962 - loss: 0.0067 - val_accuracy: 0.9739 - val_loss: 0.1207
     Epoch 2/30
     15/15 -
                             — 3s 217ms/step - accuracy: 1.0000 - loss: 0.0028 - val_accuracy: 0.9565 - val_loss: 0.1280
     Epoch 3/30
     15/15 -
                              ─ 5s 207ms/step - accuracy: 1.0000 - loss: 0.0029 - val accuracy: 0.9565 - val loss: 0.1129
     Epoch 4/30
     15/15 -
                             — 3s 200ms/step - accuracy: 1.0000 - loss: 0.0027 - val accuracy: 0.9565 - val loss: 0.1575
     Epoch 5/30
     15/15 -
                              - 3s 201ms/step - accuracy: 0.9972 - loss: 0.0086 - val accuracy: 0.9478 - val loss: 0.1495
     Epoch 6/30
     15/15 -
                              — 4s 286ms/step - accuracy: 0.9996 - loss: 0.0110 - val accuracy: 0.9478 - val loss: 0.1190
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Epoch 7/30
15/15 -
                        - 5s 242ms/step - accuracy: 0.9966 - loss: 0.0148 - val accuracy: 0.9565 - val loss: 0.1040
Epoch 8/30
                       — 3s 201ms/step - accuracy: 1.0000 - loss: 0.0071 - val_accuracy: 0.9565 - val_loss: 0.1303
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Epoch 9/30
                        - 3s 234ms/step - accuracy: 1.0000 - loss: 0.0049 - val accuracy: 0.9565 - val loss: 0.0999
15/15 -
Epoch 10/30
15/15 -
                        - 5s 194ms/step - accuracy: 0.9992 - loss: 0.0031 - val_accuracy: 0.9565 - val_loss: 0.1230
Epoch 11/30
15/15 -
                        - 3s 205ms/step - accuracy: 1.0000 - loss: 0.0033 - val accuracy: 0.9478 - val loss: 0.2177
Epoch 12/30
15/15 -
                        - 3s 199ms/step - accuracy: 1.0000 - loss: 0.0035 - val accuracy: 0.9739 - val loss: 0.0771
Epoch 13/30
15/15 -
                        — 4s 275ms/step - accuracy: 1.0000 - loss: 0.0024 - val_accuracy: 0.9391 - val_loss: 0.2611
Epoch 14/30
15/15 -
                        ─ 3s 217ms/step - accuracy: 1.0000 - loss: 7.2987e-04 - val_accuracy: 0.9478 - val_loss: 0.1775
Epoch 15/30
15/15 -
                       — 3s 206ms/step - accuracy: 1.0000 - loss: 0.0034 - val_accuracy: 0.9478 - val_loss: 0.1975
Epoch 16/30
15/15 -
                        — 3s 198ms/step - accuracy: 1.0000 - loss: 0.0012 - val accuracy: 0.9565 - val loss: 0.1938
Epoch 17/30
15/15 -
                        — 4s 269ms/step - accuracy: 1.0000 - loss: 0.0015 - val accuracy: 0.9565 - val loss: 0.1604
Epoch 18/30
15/15 -
                        ─ 3s 205ms/step - accuracy: 1.0000 - loss: 0.0011 - val_accuracy: 0.9565 - val_loss: 0.2182
Epoch 19/30
15/15 ---
                       Epoch 20/30
15/15 -
                        - 6s 249ms/step - accuracy: 1.0000 - loss: 0.0020 - val accuracy: 0.9565 - val loss: 0.1899
Epoch 21/30
15/15 ---
                       — 5s 212ms/step - accuracy: 0.9980 - loss: 0.0027 - val_accuracy: 0.9565 - val_loss: 0.1418
Epoch 22/30
15/15 -
                       -- 3s 203ms/step - accuracy: 1.0000 - loss: 0.0018 - val accuracy: 0.9391 - val loss: 0.3240
Epoch 23/30
15/15 -
                       — 3s 206ms/step - accuracy: 1.0000 - loss: 0.0026 - val_accuracy: 0.9565 - val_loss: 0.1208
Epoch 24/30
15/15 -
                        — 4s 258ms/step - accuracy: 1.0000 - loss: 0.0017 - val accuracy: 0.9391 - val loss: 0.3388
Epoch 25/30
15/15 -
                        ─ 3s 198ms/step - accuracy: 1.0000 - loss: 9.2682e-04 - val accuracy: 0.9565 - val loss: 0.1907
Epoch 26/30
                        — 3s 203ms/step - accuracy: 1.0000 - loss: 7.3622e-04 - val_accuracy: 0.9478 - val_loss: 0.2292
15/15 -
Epoch 27/30
15/15 -
                        3s 203ms/step - accuracy: 1.0000 - loss: 6.2807e-04 - val accuracy: 0.9565 - val loss: 0.1904
Epoch 28/30
15/15 -
                        — 4s 264ms/step - accuracy: 1.0000 - loss: 4.8047e-04 - val accuracy: 0.9565 - val loss: 0.1821
Epoch 29/30
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plt.plot(history.history['accuracy'], label='train acc')
plt.plot(history.history['val_accuracy'], label='val acc')
plt.legend()
plt.show()
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final_train_acc = history.history['accuracy'][-1]
final_val_acc = history.history['val_accuracy'][-1]
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print(f"Final Training Accuracy: {final_train_acc:.2f}")
print(f"Final Validation Accuracy: {final_val_acc:.2f}")

Final Training Accuracy: 1.00
Final Validation Accuracy: 0.96

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Sickle Cell Classification with CNN

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I trained the model using a convolutional neural network (CNN) with several convolutional and max pooling layers, followed by dense layers for classification. I used ImageDataGenerator to rescale and feed the image data into the model. I trained the model over 30 epochs and observed that as the number of epochs increased, the training accuracy improved and eventually reached 1.00. However, the validation accuracy started to decrease after a certain point, which is a sign of overfitting.

The final training accuracy was 1.00, and the final validation accuracy was 0.96.

Based on this, I think the model performs well considering the size of the dataset.

Since the dataset is not that large, this kind of pattern is expected, and I believe this model still gives solid performance. If the dataset was larger or more balanced, the generalization could be even better.

I also plan to experiment more with data augmentation, dropout, and early stopping to see if I can reduce overfitting and improve validation accuracy further.

This project shows a real-world application of machine learning in medical diagnostics,

and I'm planning to keep building on it.

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