

# **Early Detection and Prevention of HLB Disease in Citrus Orchards using Deep Learning**

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# Motivation

- HLB is a deadliest bacterial disease which has no cure. So, the early detection the top most priority.
- Due to the poor economic condition of farmers in Nepal, they cannot afford the expensive detection mechanisms.
- So, there is a need of an innovative and effective technique to detect and prevent the spread of HLB.
- This is the reason we took interest in this project

# HLB Disease

- HLB (Huanglongbing) or Citrus Greening disease
- Caused by Psyllid nymphs
- Slowly kills citrus tree by obstructing the flow of nutrients



Fig: Symptoms and cause of HLB

# Objectives

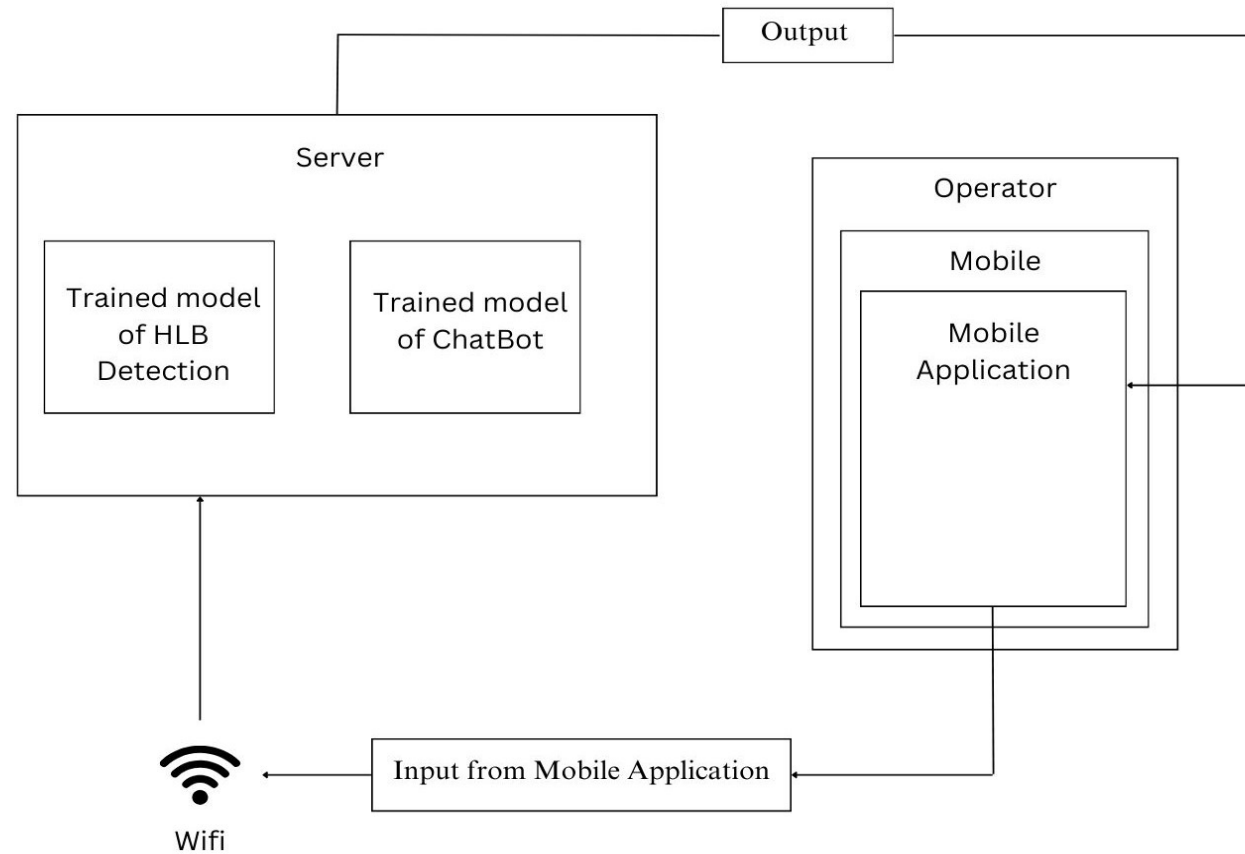
- To train the model for early detection of HLB disease using deep learning
- To create a mobile application that assists in early detection of HLB disease and suggests proper measures for timely prevention.
- To develop a chat bot as a virtual assistant that can help in analyzing, detecting, alerting, and preventing HLB disease along with the information related with the citrus plants.

# Project Scope

- Capabilities
  - Detection of HLB disease in citrus plants
  - Chatbot for one to one interaction with the user about HLB detection and the information of citrus plants.
- Limitations
  - The application is only limited to citrus plants.
  - The answering capability of the chatbot is limited.

# Methodology [1]

## Proposed System Architecture



# Methodology [2]

## App Workflow

- Capture Image of citrus leaves
- Preprocess to ensure it meets the input requirements of the CNN model
- Preprocessed image fed into TensorFlow Lite model to predict the condition of citrus leaf/fruit
- Chatbot provides result and preventive measures if necessary
- Also provides information about Citrus fruits

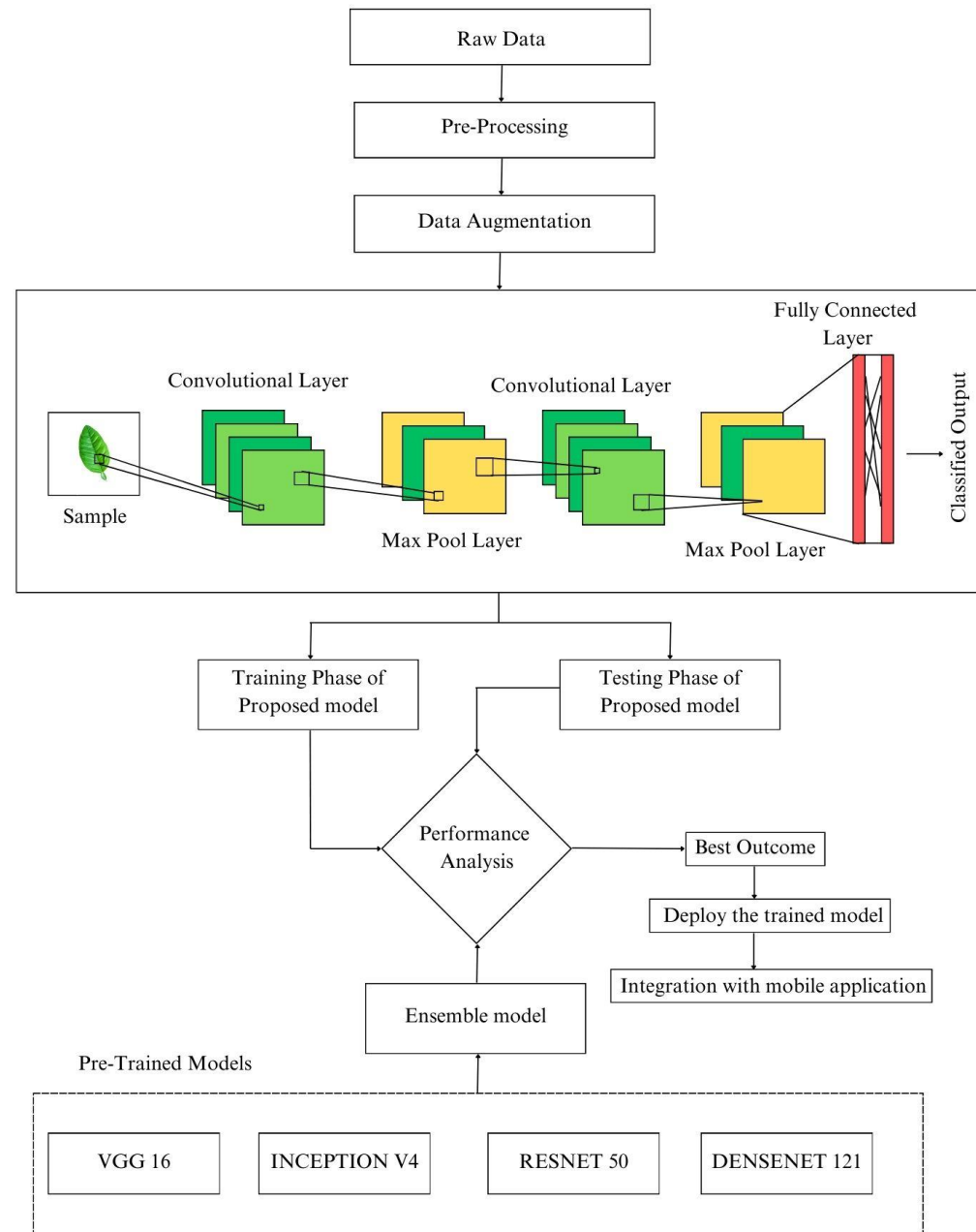


# Methodology [3]

## Classification of Dataset

- The dataset is divided into three different classes:
  - Healthy Class
  - HLB Infected Class
  - Other Class
- Images will go under pre-processing steps to improves model's accuracy
- More images for dataset will be collected later
- Dataset for Chatbot will be collected by the team

# Methodology [4] CNN Architecture



# Methodology [5]

## CNN Training[1]

- Data Preprocessing and Augmentation
- CNN Architecture
- Training
- Loss Calculation
- Model Deployment

# **CNN Training [2]**

## **Data Preprocessing and Augmentation**

- Image resized to 224x224 pixels suitable for CNN
- Scaling of pixels value in range 0-1
- Data augmentation techniques is performed including:
  - Random flips
  - 0-30 degrees rotations
  - Random brightness and contrast adjustments
- Data augmentation increases diversity and model's generalization ability

# CNN Training [3]

## CNN Architecture [1]

- Consists of 3 convolutional layers with filter counts of 32, 64, and 128 respectively.
- Each convolutional layer will have a 3x3 kernel size.
- The activation function used will be ReLU given as :

$$f(x) = x, \text{ if } x > 0$$

$$f(x) = 0, \text{ if } x \leq 0$$

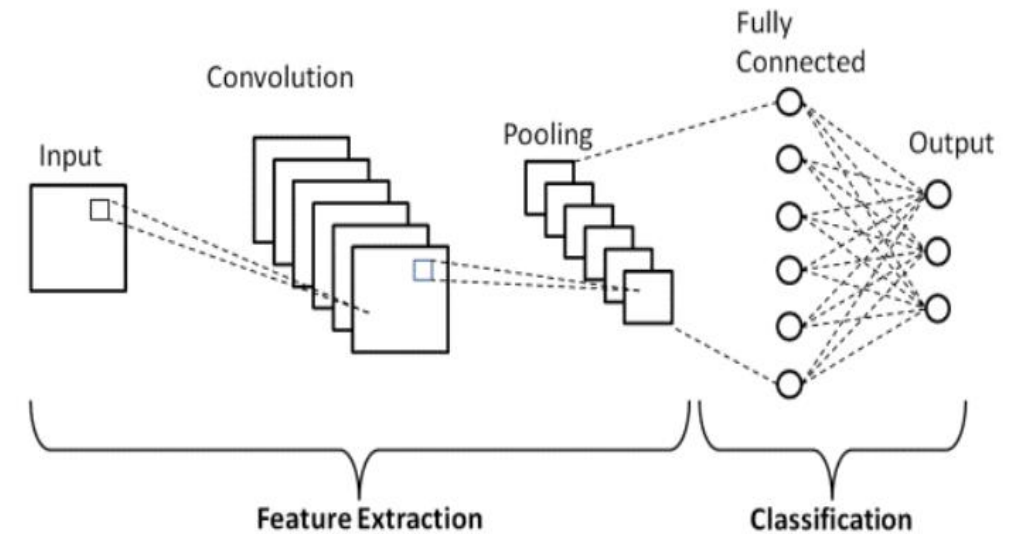


Fig: CNN Architecture

# CNN Architecture [2]

## Pooling Layer

- Includes 2 max pooling layers with a 2x2 kernel size.
- In each layer, the maximum value is selected as the output
- Purpose:
  - Down sample the spatial dimensions of the feature maps to retain most salient features.
  - Helps to introduce translation invariance, beneficial for image classification tasks

# CNN Architecture [3]

## Flattening

- **Purpose:** Convert multi-dimensional feature maps into a one-dimensional vector
- **Operation:** Flatten spatial dimensions while preserving learned features
- **Role:** Provide input to fully connected layers for higher-level feature extraction and classification
- **Benefits:** Reduces spatial information, facilitating efficient processing and enhancing pattern extraction

# CNN Architecture [4]

## Fully Connected Layer

- The CNN architecture will include 2 dense layers, each with 512 units.
- In each dense layer, the ReLU activation function is used for introducing non-linearity
- The purpose of the dense layers is to perform high-level feature extraction
- Also to transform the input data into a suitable format for classification.
- Output layer: 2 units with softmax to classify as HLB or Healthy



# CNN Training [4]

## Optimizer

- Model uses the Adam optimizer for training.
- It combines the benefits of both the AdaGrad and RMSProp algorithms,
- Provides an adaptive learning rate for each parameter.
- Purpose: achieve efficient and robust convergence during training.
- Other optimizers are not used as it typically offers faster convergence and better performance

# CNN Training [5]

## Loss Function (Binary Cross Entropy)[1]

- The CNN model will use Binary Cross-Entropy as the loss function.
- Measures the difference between the true labels and the predicted probabilities
- The formula for Binary Cross-Entropy is:

$$L_{BCE} = -\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i \cdot \log \hat{Y}_i + (1 - Y_i) \cdot \log (1 - \hat{Y}_i))$$

# Loss Function (Binary Cross Entropy) [2]

- Binary Cross-Entropy quantifies error for two-class problems.
- Other loss functions are not used as:
  - Mean Squared Error is less suitable for binary classification
  - Categorical Cross Entropy is designed for multi-class classification tasks.

# CNN Training [6]

## Metrics [1]

- The CNN model will be assessed using Accuracy, Precision, Recall, and F1-Score.
- Accuracy gives overall correctness
- Precision assesses positive prediction accuracy.
- Recall measures the model's ability to identify all actual positives.
- F1-Score balances Precision and Recall, providing a comprehensive performance measure.

# Metrics [2]

## Corresponding Formulas

$$Precision = \frac{TP}{TP + FP}$$

$$Accuracy = \frac{(TP + TN)}{TP + FP + TN + FN}$$

$$Recall = \frac{TP}{TP + FN}$$

$$F1 = \frac{2 \times Precision \times Recall}{Precision + Recall}$$

Where,

TP = True Positive; FP = False Positive;

TN = True Negative; FN = False Negative

# CNN Training [7]

## Regularization

- **Purpose** : To prevent overfitting and improve the model's generalization ability.
- **Dropout (0.5)**: Randomly deactivates 50% of neurons during training
- **Early Stopping**: Halts training when validation performance deteriorates, prevents overfitting

Regularization techniques mitigate overfitting, enhancing model performance and stability

# CNN Training [8]

## Hyper Parameter Tuning

- **Epochs (50):** Balanced to allow model convergence without risking overfitting.
- **Batch Size (32):** Strikes a balance between introducing noise and computational efficiency.
- **Learning Rate (0.001):** Ensures stable training, avoids divergence or slow convergence

# CNN Training [9]

## Ensemble Method

- **Combined Model Approach:** Employed to fuse predictions from multiple models, enhancing accuracy.
- **Diverse Model Selection:** Varied models will be chosen to create a diverse ensemble, improving performance.
- **Voting or Averaging:** Predictions will be aggregated using voting or averaging techniques
- **Boosted Performance:** benefit the model to maximize predictive performance.
- **Robustness and Generalization:** It will be improved through ensemble fusion



# CNN Training [8]

## Deployment

- Convert trained model to TensorFlow Lite format
- Integrate TF Lite model into Flutter mobile app
- Ensure seamless operation for efficient on-device inference

# **Methodology [6]**

## **Chatbot: NLP [1]**

- Natural language processing (NLP)
- A subfield of computer science and artificial intelligence (AI)
- Uses machine learning to enable computers to understand and communicate with human language.
- Can understand even complex human phrasing

# Chatbot: NLP [2]

- Text Preprocessing: tokenization, lowercasing, stop word removal, punctuation, stemming
- Feature Extraction: Bag of words, TF-IDF, word embeddings
- Model training: data splitting, model selection, training, evaluation
- Text Analysis: classification, NER, POS tagging, dependency parsing
- Result interpretation

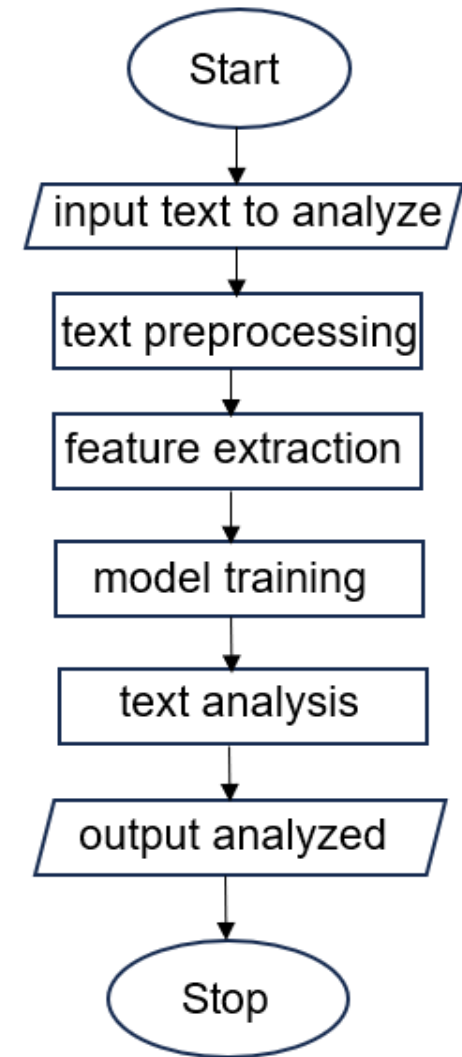


Fig: NLP Flowchart

# Chatbot [3]

- Preprocessing: tokenization, lowercasing, stop word removal, punctuation, stemming
- Intent Recognition: feature extraction, classification
- Entity Recognition
- Dialogue Management: context, response, fallback
- Response Generation: template, retrieval, generative
- Post processing

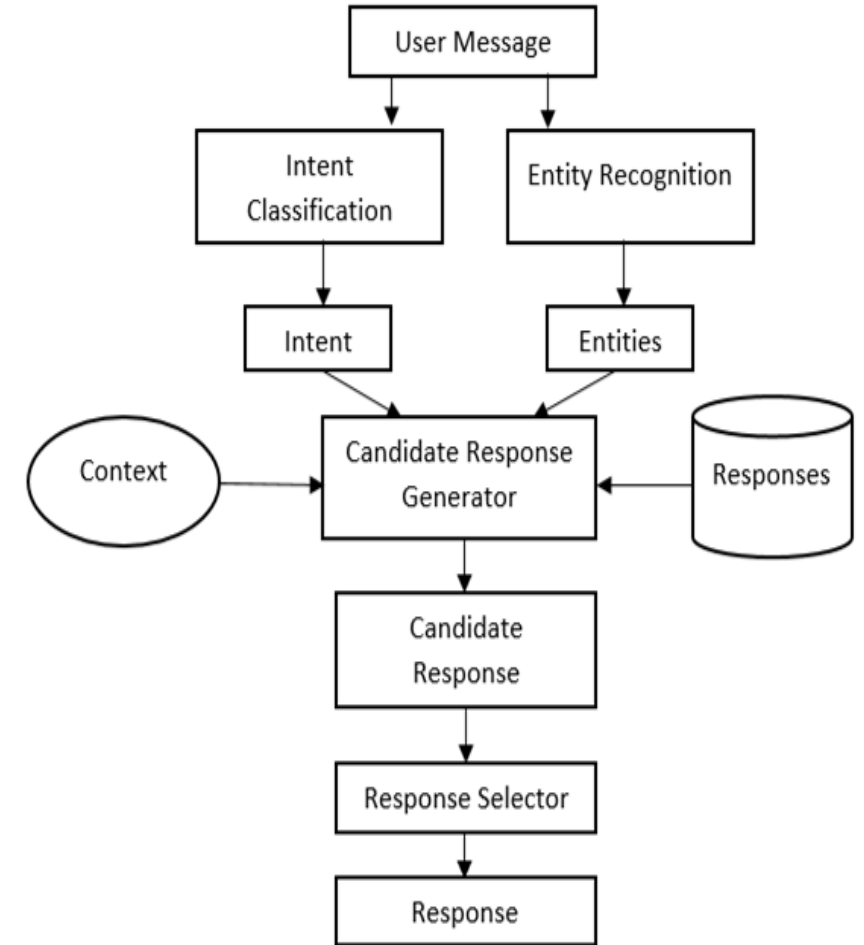


Fig: Chatbot Flowchart

# Chatbot [4] Analysis

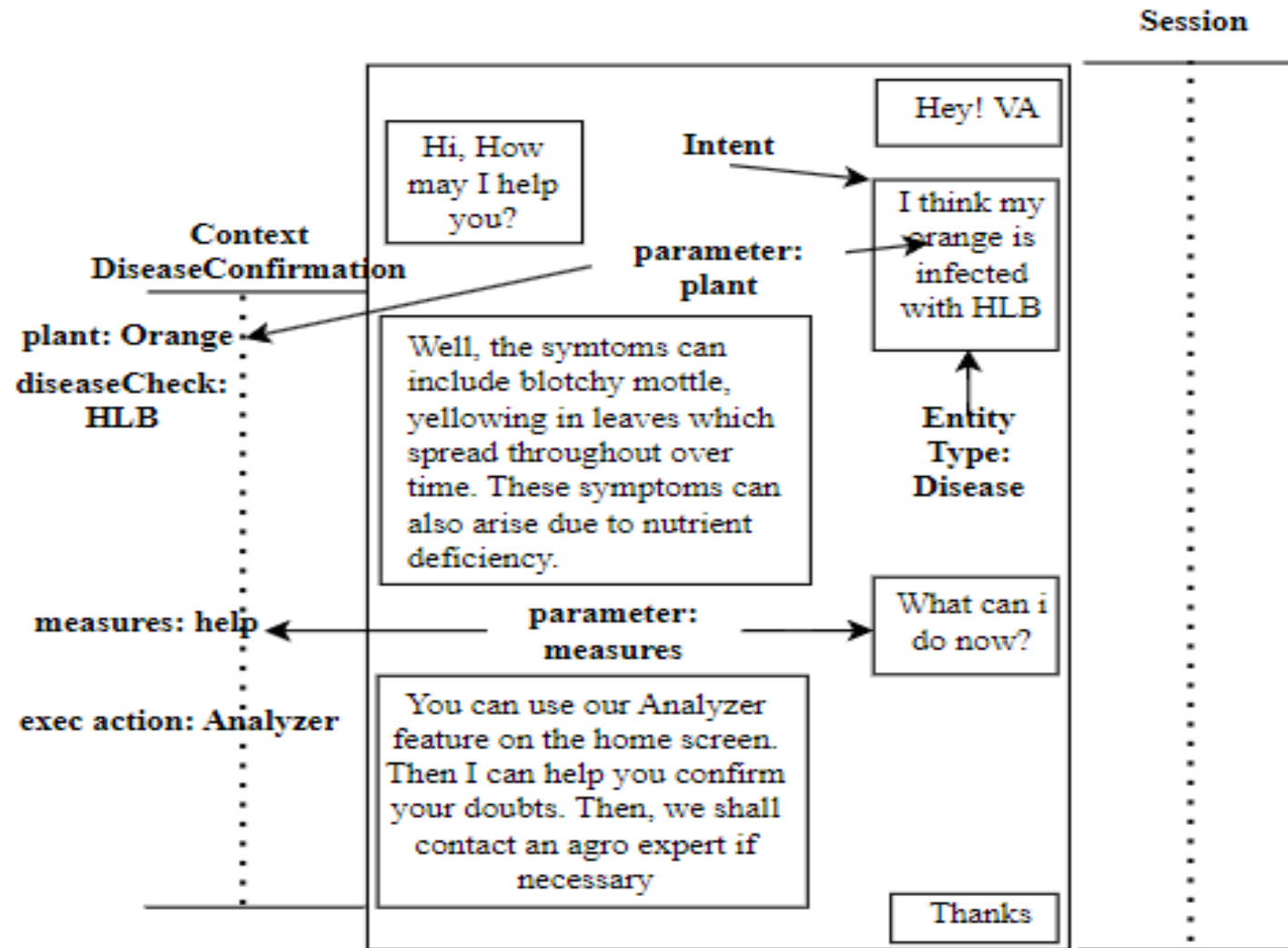


Fig: Chatbot Analysis

# **Methodology [7]**

## **Mobile Application Development**

- The Mobile App is built using Flutter.
- Supports cross - platform with the single code base
- Has Inbuilt chatbot functionality in it

# Software Requirement [1]

- Python: For developing machine learning models and backend logic.
- Flutter: For building cross-platform mobile applications.
- Jupyter Notebook: For prototyping machine learning models, and documenting code.
- VS Code: Code editor
- Google Colab: Free cloud-based Jupyter notebooks for model training and experimentation
- AWS Cloud: Hosting machine level models and backend server

# Software Requirement [2]

- OpenCV: Library for computer vision tasks
- Pillow (PIL): Python Imaging Library for image manipulation tasks
- Scikit-learn: Tools for data preprocessing, model evaluation, and performance metrics for machine learning tasks.
- Matplotlib and Seaborn: Visualization libraries to analyze model performance and results
- TensorFlow / Keras and PyTorch: For building and training neural networks



# Expected Outcomes [1]

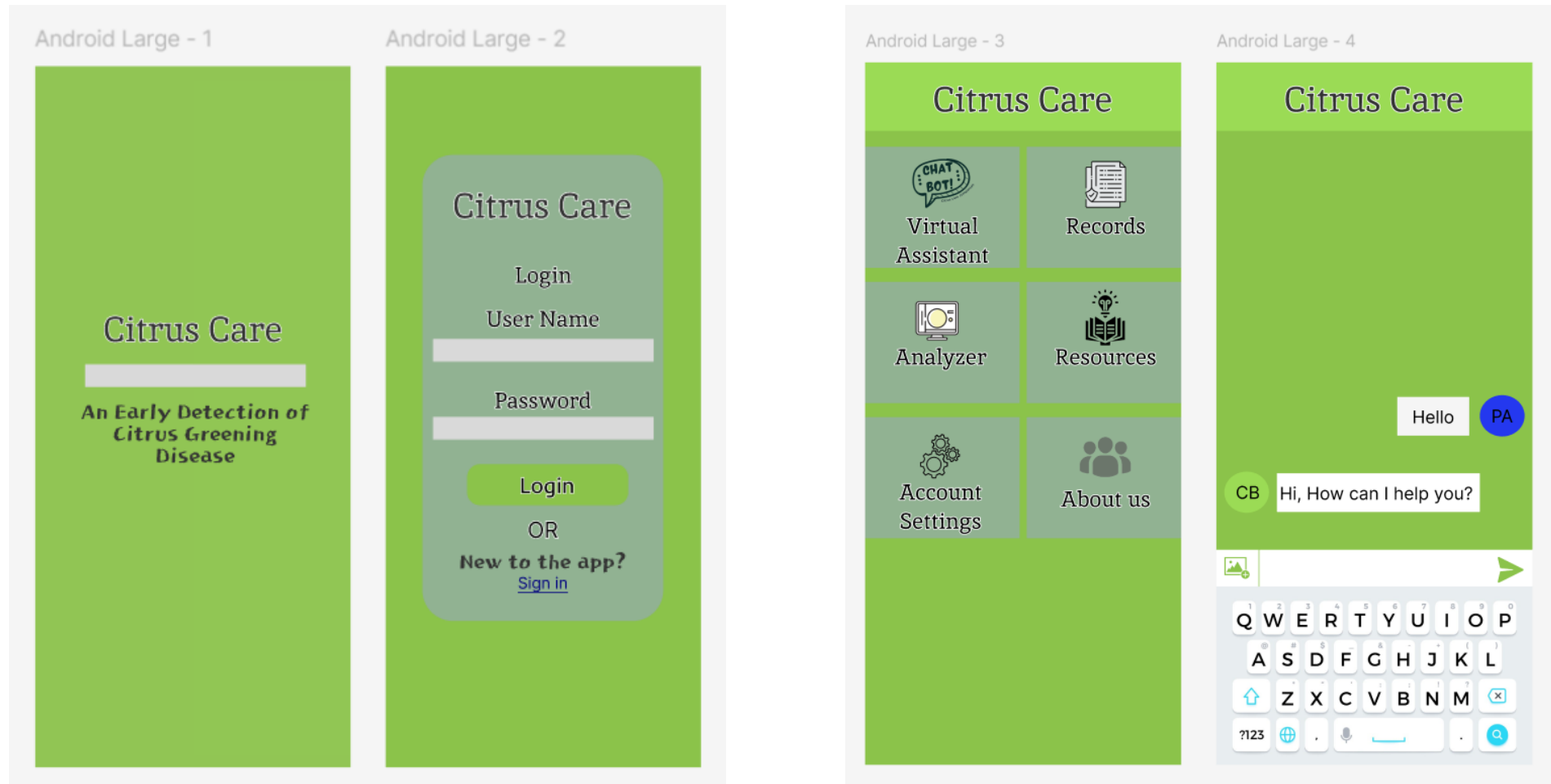


Fig: Expected UI of mobile application

# Expected Outcomes [2]

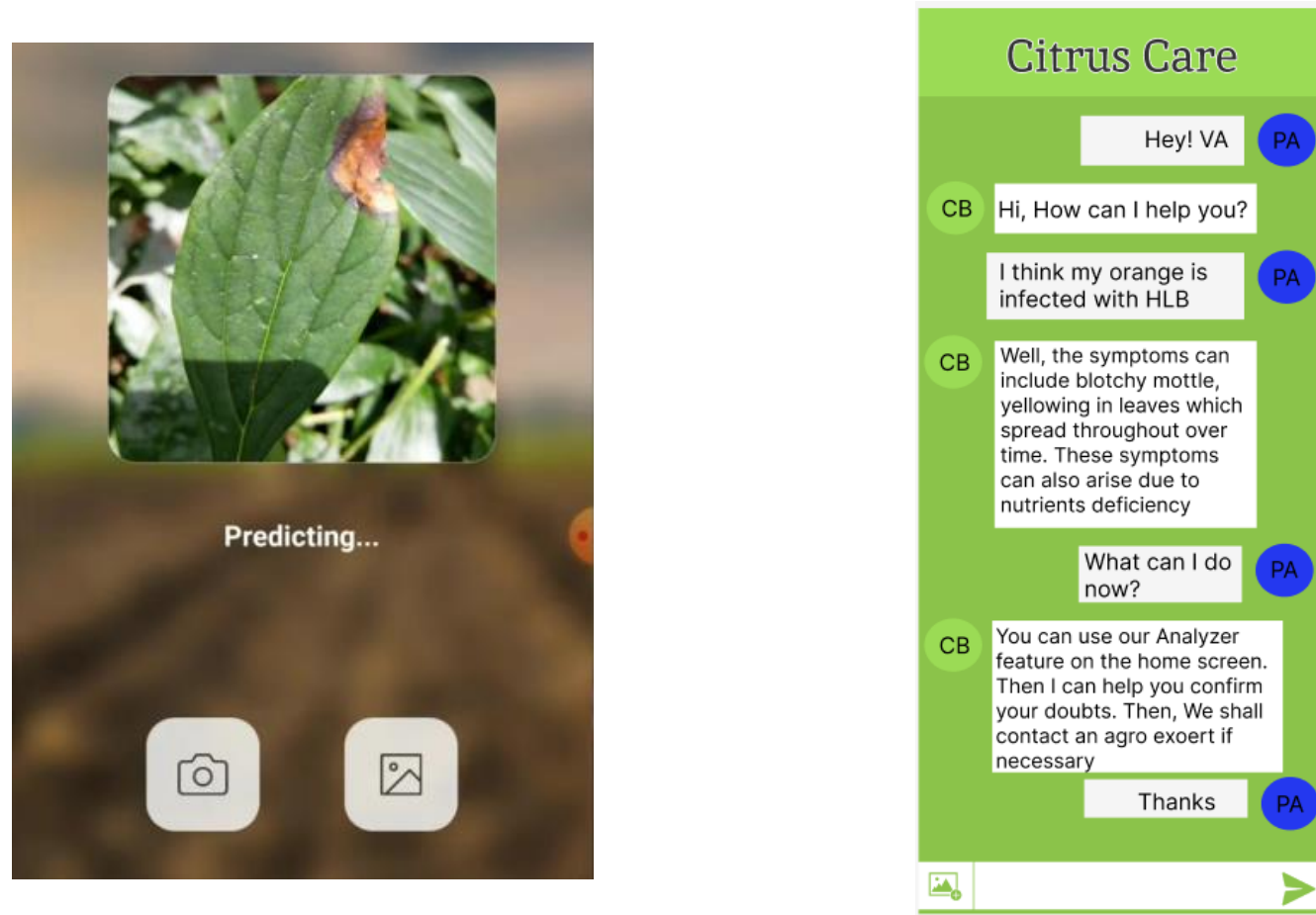


Fig: Expected UI of mobile application

# Project Application

- **HLB Detection:** Can be used for early detection of HLB in citrus plants.
- **Monitoring:** Can be used in regular monitoring of the orchards.
- **Altering:** Can also be used in alerting the farmers in case of outbreak in nearby orchards.
- **Prevention:** Can also be used in preventing the HLB disease by providing necessary resources and aids

# Tentative Planning of Workflow

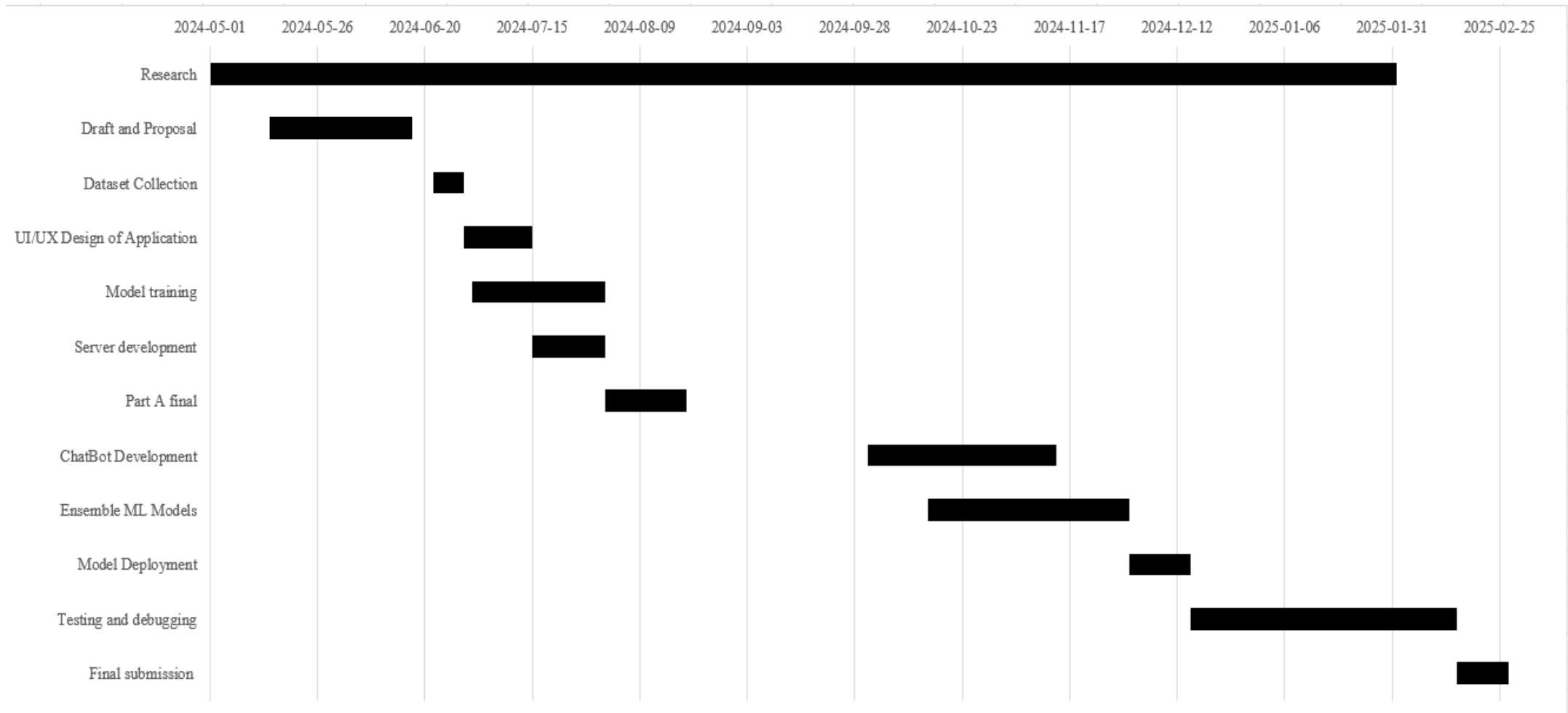
## Part A

- UI design of app
- Collection of Dataset
- Dedicated data preprocessing
- Individual train of the dataset on 3-4 algorithms
- Server

## Part B

- Ensemble of all the ML models
- ChatBot
- Model Deployment on AWS cloud
- Fully functional app with connection with server
- Field Testing

# Tentative Timeline (Gantt Chart)



# Estimated Project Expenses/Budget

Items	Price (NRs.)
Hosting Server	Rs. 2000
Data Collection	Rs. 4000
Printing	Rs. 5000
<b>Total</b>	<b>Rs. 11000</b>

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# Thank You!