

# **Multiclass Fish Image Classification**

An Intelligent AI System for Identifying Fish Species

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## **PROBLEM STATEMENT:**

**This project focuses on classifying fish images into multiple categories using deep learning models. The task involves training a CNN from scratch and leveraging transfer learning with pre-trained models to enhance performance. The project also includes saving models for later use and deploying a Streamlit application to predict fish categories from user-uploaded images.**

# INTRODUCTION OF THE PROJECT

This project presents a complete end-to-end AI workflow, including:

- Preprocessing and augmenting fish images.
- Training 5 different models (CNN + Transfer Learning).
- Comparing metrics to identify the best model.
- Deploying the selected model using Streamlit.

# WORKFLOW (END-TO-END PROJECT PIPELINE)

## 1. Data Collection & Organization:

Images are sorted species-wise into folders.

## 2. Data Preprocessing & Augmentation:

Resize → Rescale → Rotation → Zoom → Flip

## 3. Model Training:

Train 5 models:

CNN (baseline), VGG16, ResNet50, InceptionV3, EfficientNetB0, MobileNetV2

## 4. Evaluation & Comparison:

Accuracy curve, loss curve, confusion matrix, F1-score

## 5. Best Model Selection:

## 6. Deployment:

Streamlit-based prediction system

## 7. User Interaction:

Upload → Predict → Confidence output

## CODE REASONING (WHY EACH CODE EXISTS):

**Data loading:** Organizes classes & labels automatically

**ImageDataGenerator:** Normalizes and augments data

**Transfer Learning import:** Access pretrained feature extractors

**Freezing layers:** Preserve pretrained knowledge

**Custom layers:** Flatten + Dense + Dropout = learns fish-specific patterns

**Compile:** Adam optimizer + categorical loss for multiclass problem

**Training:** Learns patterns from dataset

**Saving model:** Export best model for deployment

**Streamlit code:** Handles UI, image preprocessing, prediction, confidence display

## MODEL TRAINING PIPELINE:

[ Input Images ]



[ Resize 224x224 ]



[ Normalize 0–1 ]



[ Data Augmentation ]



[ Transfer Learning Models ]  
(VGG16, ResNet50, InceptionV3,  
EfficientNetB0, MobileNetV2)



[ Feature Extraction ]



[ Custom Layers ]  
(Dense + Dropout + Softmax)



[ Backpropagation ]



[ Trained Model ]

## EXPLANATION:

This diagram shows how raw fish images are transformed step-by-step into a fully trained deep learning model. Transfer learning accelerates the training and improves performance.

# TRAINING (MODEL DEVELOPMENT PHASE):

- 1.CNN from Scratch (Baseline)
- 2.VGG16
- 3.ResNet50
- 4.InceptionV3
- 5.EfficientNetB0
- 6.MobileNetV2 (Best model)

Each model was trained using augmented data to improve generalization.  
MobileNetV2 delivered the highest validation accuracy and fastest inference.

## Why MobileNetV2 was selected:

- Lightweight architecture
- Fast inference
- 98%+ validation accuracy
- Best generalization among tested models

## TRAINING RESULTS (MOBILENETV2)

Training Accuracy: 98.19%

Validation Accuracy: 98.35%

Training Loss: 0.0604

Validation Loss: 0.0514

### Observations:

- Fast convergence
- Very stable validation curve
- Good generalization
- No overfitting

## TEST ACCURACY:

A separate held-out test dataset was used to measure true model performance.

- ✓ Confirms model generalization
- ✓ Proves the model works on unseen images
- ✓ Validates the final selected AI model

MobileNetV2 achieved **high test accuracy**, making it deployment-ready.

## PREDICTIONS:

Prediction flow:

1. Upload image
2. Resize → 224×224
3. Convert to array
4. Normalize (0-1)
5. Predict using MobileNetV2
6. Show:
  1. Species name
  2. Confidence score
  3. Probability for all classes



## CONFUSION MATRIX:

The confusion matrix shows:

- Correct predictions (diagonal)
- Misclassifications (off-diagonal)
- Class-wise strengths & weaknesses

Helps identify which species need better augmentation or more data.

## CONFUSION MATRIX INTERPRETATION DIAGRAM LAYOUT:

		PREDICTED →		
		Class1	Class2	Class3
ACTUAL ↓				
Class1	[ TP ]	[ FP ]	[ FP ]	
Class2	[ FN ]	[ TP ]	[ FP ]	
Class3	[ FN ]	[ FN ]	[ TP ]	

**A confusion matrix visually compares actual vs predicted classes.**

**Diagonal values = correct predictions.**

**Off-diagonal values = misclassifications.**

## CLASSIFICATION REPORT:

**Includes:**

- **Precision** → Correctness of predictions
- **Recall** → Ability to detect actual positives
- **F1-score** → Balance between precision & recall
- **Support** → Number of samples per class

**Essential for multiclass evaluation.**

## JSON MAPPING (CLASS LABELS):

**During training:**

0 → Bass  
1 → Salmon  
2 → Tuna  
...

**JSON file stores class names for prediction stage.**

**During deployment:**

- **Model outputs label numbers**
- **JSON maps them back into fish species names**

**Essential for correct UI display.**

## DEPLOYMENT (STREAMLIT APPLICATION):

### Streamlit features:

- ✓ Upload any fish image
- ✓ Automatic preprocessing
- ✓ Real-time fish species prediction
- ✓ Confidence progress bar
- ✓ JSON probability output

**Converts the trained model into a usable application.**

## **BUSINESS USE CASE 1: ENHANCED ACCURACY:-**

Determine the best model architecture for fish image classification?

### **Solution Provided by Our Project:**

To achieve enhanced accuracy, we trained **multiple models**:

- CNN from scratch
- VGG16
- ResNet50
- InceptionV3
- EfficientNetB0
- MobileNetV2

Each model was evaluated based on:

- ✓ Validation accuracy
- ✓ Precision & F1-score
- ✓ Loss curve
- ✓ Confusion matrix

Finally, **MobileNetV2** achieved the highest accuracy (98%), making it the most reliable architecture.

→ **This satisfies the business requirement of Enhanced Accuracy.**

## **BUSINESS USE CASE 2: DEPLOYMENT READY**

**Create a user-friendly web application for real-time predictions?**

### **Solution Provided by Our Project:**

To meet this requirement, we created a **Streamlit web application**:

- ✓ Simple and user-friendly UI
- ✓ Drag-and-drop image upload
- ✓ Real-time fish species prediction
- ✓ Confidence meter
- ✓ Probability distribution for all classes

The backend uses the **final selected MobileNetV2 model**, while the frontend is built using Streamlit.

→ This makes the model deployment-ready and easily accessible.

## BUSINESS USE CASE 3: MODEL COMPARISON

Evaluate and compare metrics across models to select the most suitable approach for the task?

### Solution Provided by Our Project:

Our project compares all trained models using:

- ✓ Accuracy
- ✓ Precision
- ✓ Recall
- ✓ F1-score
- ✓ Confusion Matrix
- ✓ Training & Validation curves
- ✓ Inference speed

This comparison ensures the final selected model is not based on guesswork but **data-driven analysis**.

MobileNetV2 was chosen because:

- Highest validation accuracy
- Lowest validation loss
- Best generalization
- Fastest prediction time

→ This fulfills the business need for proper Model Compariso

## CONCLUSION & FUTURE WORK:

### Conclusion:

MobileNetV2-based fish classifier achieved high accuracy and performed best among all trained models. The system is fully deployed using Streamlit for real-time usage, demonstrating a complete AI pipeline.

### Future Work:

- Add more diverse fish datasets
- Improve augmentation (brightness, contrast)
- Deploy model on mobile using TFLite
- Add real-time video detection
- Explore Vision Transformers (ViT)

THANK YOU...