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# **Problem Statement: Addressing Plant Disease Identification Challenges for Farmers**"

Agriculture is a critical sector that sustains human life, but farmers often face significant challenges in maintaining healthy crops. Plant diseases can severely impact crop yields, leading to economic losses and food insecurity. Many farmers lack access to timely and accurate diagnosis tools for plant diseases, which often requires specialized knowledge and equipment.





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#### Goals:

• Accessibility: Make the tool easily usable by farmers with minimal technical knowledge.

• **Efficiency:** Deliver accurate results in a matter of seconds.

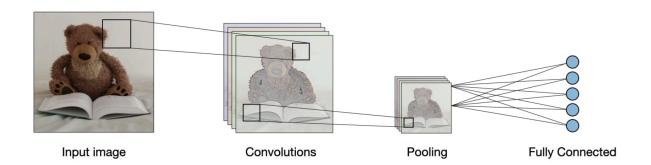
• Scalability: Support a wide range of plant species and diseases.

• Awareness: Help farmers take proactive mea

### Related Studies: Architecture of a traditional CNN



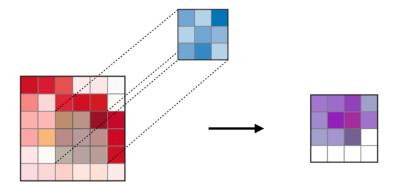
Convolutional neural networks, also known as CNNs, are a specific type of neural networks that are generally composed of the following layers:



## Related Studies: Types of Layers in CNN



 $\square$  Convolution layer (CONV) — The convolution layer (CONV) uses filters that perform convolution operations as it is scanning the input I with respect to its dimensions. Its hyperparameters include the filter size F and stride S. The resulting output O is called *feature map* or *activation map*.







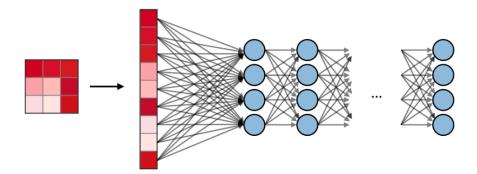
□ Pooling (POOL) — The pooling layer (POOL) is a downsampling operation, typically applied after a convolution layer, which does some spatial invariance. In particular, max and average pooling are special kinds of pooling where the maximum and average value is taken, respectively.

Туре	Max pooling	Average pooling
Purpose	Each pooling operation selects the maximum value of the current view	Each pooling operation averages the values of the current view
Illustration	max	avg
Comments	<ul><li>Preserves detected features</li><li>Most commonly used</li></ul>	<ul><li>Downsamples feature map</li><li>Used in LeNet</li></ul>

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☐ Fully Connected (FC) — The fully connected layer (FC) operates on a flattened input where each input is connected to all neurons. If present, FC layers are usually found towards the end of CNN architectures and can be used to optimize objectives such as class scores.





# Data Collection





Our plant disease detection model was trained on a comprehensive dataset comprising highquality images of both healthy and diseased plant leaves across various crop species. For example overview of some of the crops:

Potato	Comprises healthy leaves and those aected by Early Blight and Late Blight.	
Orange	Contains images of leaves aected by Huanglongbing (Citrus Greening) disease.	
Tomato	Contains a wide range of conditions, including healthy leaves and leaves aected by Bacterial Spot, Early Blight, Late Blight, Leaf Mold, Septoria Leaf Spot, Spider Mites (Twospotted Spider Mite), Target Spot, Tomato Yellow Leaf Curl Virus, and Tomato Mosaic Virus.	
StrawBerry	Includes images of healthy strawberry leaves and those with Leaf Scorch.	
Corn (maize)	Comprises healthy corn leaf images alongside images showing Cercospora Leaf Spot, Common Rust, and Northern Leaf Blight.	
Apple	: Contains images of healthy apple leaves as well as leaves aected by diseases such as Apple Scab, Black Rot, and Cedar Apple Rust.	

# **DataSet Preprocessing**



#### • Image Resizing:

Ensures all images are reshaped to a consistent size of (128, 128), enabling seamless input to the CNN model and maintaining uniformity across the dataset.

#### • Batching:

Divides the dataset into smaller groups (batch size = 32) for efficient memory usage and faster training by processing multiple images simultaneously.

#### • Shuffling:

Randomizes the order of images to prevent learning biases caused by dataset organization and ensures better generalization.

#### • Automatic Label Inference:

Class labels are automatically assigned based on folder names, simplifying the labeling process and ensuring accuracy.

#### • Categorical Label Encoding:

Labels are transformed into one-hot encoded vectors, making them suitable for multi-class classification tasks.

#### RGB Conversion:

Ensures all images are loaded in RGB format, maintaining consistency in color channels (3 channels: Red, Green, Blue).

#### • Interpolation for Resizing:

Uses bilinear interpolation to resize images smoothly, preserving visual quality and feature integrity.

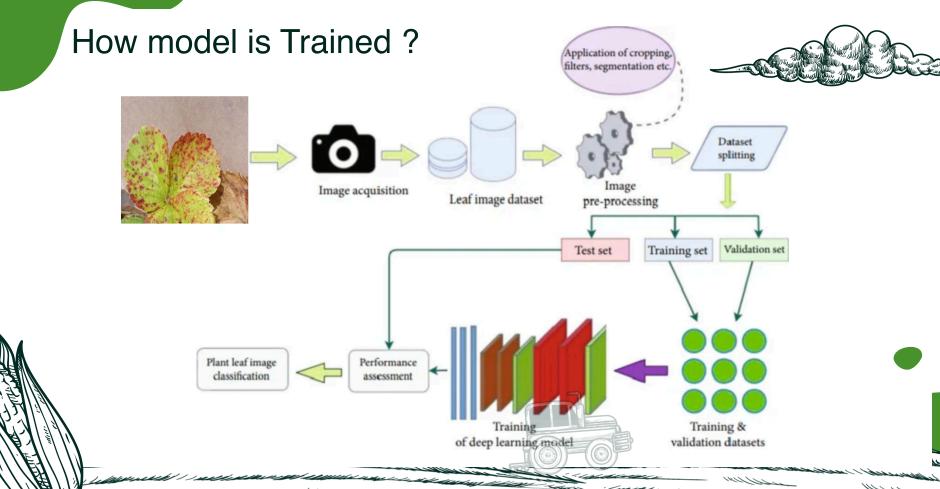


# **Model Overview**

Our model is a **Convolutional Neural Network (CNN)** designed for **multi-class image classification** with 38 classes. It uses **convolutional layers** to extract features from images, followed by **max pooling** to downsample and **dropout** layers to prevent overfitting. The model includes a **flatten** layer to prepare for fully connected layers and ends with a **softmax output** layer for classification. It is compiled with the **Adam optimizer** and **categorical cross-entropy** loss for efficient training. The model is evaluated based on **accuracy** on both training and validation data. It is designed to classify images efficiently, leveraging best practices like **ReLU activation** and **regularization**. Potential enhancements include **data augmentation** and **transfer learning**.









### Model Architecture

- Convolutional Layers: Extract features from images using filters, followed by **ReLU activation** for nonlinearity.
- **Max Pooling**: Reduces the spatial dimensions of feature maps while retaining essential information.
- **Dropout**: Prevents overfitting by randomly setting some units to zero during training.
- **Flatten Layer**: Converts 2D feature maps into a 1D vector for input into fully connected layers.
- Fully Connected (Dense) Layers: A 1500-unit dense layer followed by a softmax output layer with 38 units, one for each class.

## **Model Training**

**Optimizer**: The model uses the **Adam optimizer** with a learning rate of 0.0001 for efficient weight updates during training.

Batch Size: The model processes 32 images per batch

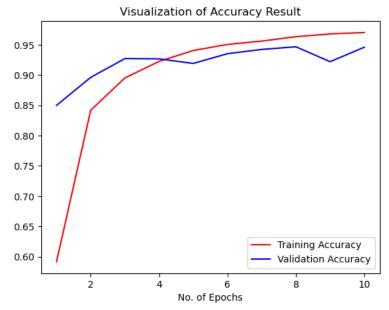
**Loss Function: Categorical cross-entropy** is used to calculate the loss for multi-class classification, guiding the model to minimize error.

**Training Process**: The model is trained by iterating over batches of images, adjusting weights to reduce loss and improve **accuracy**.



- Evaluation on Training and Validation Data: After training, the model is evaluated using both the **training dataset** and a **validation dataset** to assess its performance on known and unseen data.
- **Metrics**: The model's **accuracy** is computed, which measures the percentage of correctly classified images.
- Loss Calculation: The loss is calculated during evaluation using the **categorical cross-entropy** loss function, showing how far the predictions are from the true labels.
- Overfitting Check: By comparing accuracy and loss between training and validation sets, you can detect if the model is overfitting (i.e., performing well on training data but poorly on validation data).

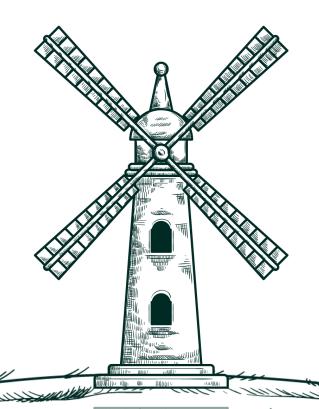






# How to overcome Challenges?

- 1. Choose small learning rate default 0.001 here we have taken 0.0001 to avoid overshooting in loss function(categorical\_crossentropy).
- 2. There may be chance of underfitting so increase number of neuron.
- Add more Convolutional Layer to extract more feature from images there may be possibilty that model unable to capture relevant feature or model is confusing due to lack of feature so feed with more feature.





# Our Team and Work Distribution

### **Data Collection and Preprocessing**

### **Assigned to: Khushal**

- Responsible for collecting and curating a high-quality dataset of plant images with disease labels.
- Preprocess images by resizing, normalizing, and augmenting the dataset through transformations (flipping, rotation, scaling, etc.).
- Split the dataset into training, validation, and testing sets while ensuring class balance.
- Handling imbalanced dataset



# Our Team and Work Distribution

### **Model Development and Training**

### Assigned to: Sai Teja

- Design and implement the CNN model architecture
- Define loss functions, optimization algorithms, and evaluation metrics.
- Train the model using the preprocessed dataset and fine-tune hyperparameters for optimal performance(future work).
- Evaluate the model on validation and test datasets to ensure accuracy and generalization.





## Our Team and Work Distribution

### **Deployment and Diagnosis System**

### **Assigned to: Srikhar**

- Integrate the trained model into a user-friendly system for client interaction.
- Build a web-based or mobile application that allows users to upload plant images and receive disease predictions.
- Implement the diagnosis component to provide brief descriptions and possible solutions for identified diseases.
- Deploy the model on <u>streamlit.io</u>



# Thank You





Does anyone have any questions?



Feel free to ask



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