OSTEOARTHRITIS PREDICTION AND REPORT GENERATION USING COMPUTER VISION

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Abstract—

The computerized reporting procedure requires effort and expertise. Information systems for radiology should be developed to lighten the workload. The complexity of the clinical content revealed makes it difficult to provide accurate annotations for radiology journals, despite breakthroughs in deep learning for image classification and annotation jobs. The training of this model is further complicated by the restricted open access data, which includes reports and photos from the medical field. We provide an encoder/decoder design tailored for knee pictures and reports to address these issues. We first train the encoder using several knee X-ray pictures to precisely identify the associated radiological observations before using multi-image views to establish consistency. By extracting and revising treatment strategies based on electronic data from the report, we enhance decision-making with explanations. Encoders are also used to extract the clinical data from x-ray images. This is complemented with a decoding method that employs color models at the language level.

Keywords— **encoder, radiological, decoding**

INTRODUCTION

[1] Basically, the whole system can be added up as an 'Osteoarthritis Grade Prediction and Concise Report Generation System'. Primarily the main provocation behind the design was that the traditional system to observe X-rays and report generation by a Radiologist takes too important time substantially due to the high population, dependence on the experience of the Radiologist, vestiges on X-ray images,operation of physical reports, and Lack of proper structure and services in pastoral regions.

A full-fledged system with 1/ 5th the size of an assiduity-standard model and a personal pre-processing system that's suitable to resolve utmost blights from images.

[2] Alongside that, a robust web operation with a proper database operating system. The system is veritably modular and is designed in a way to be more scalable in the future.

[3] Computer vision is the field of AI that enables computers and machines to make decisions or make recommendations based on important information from pictures, videos, and other visuals. However, computer vision allows the AI to see, monitor and understand if the computer is doing what it needs.

[4] CV works a lot like human vision. However, human vision has some advantage of environmental continuity and teaches how to tell objects piece by piece, how low they are, whether they are moving, and whether the image is false.
By combining cameras, data, and algorithms, computer vision teaches robots to perform these tasks far more quickly than they could with the help of retinas, optical jitter, and the visual brain. As a result of the fact that a system trained to examine items / product assets can examine thousands of products or process nanoseconds, it can quickly surpass mortal capabilities, noting unpleasant blights or problems. Computer vision requires a lot of data. It continually analyses the data until it can spot the differences and identify the photos. To teach a computer, for instance, to make a machine's tyres fatter, it needs to know the differences in a large amount of tire images and tire-related details and feed it with no ambiguity to stimulate the tires.

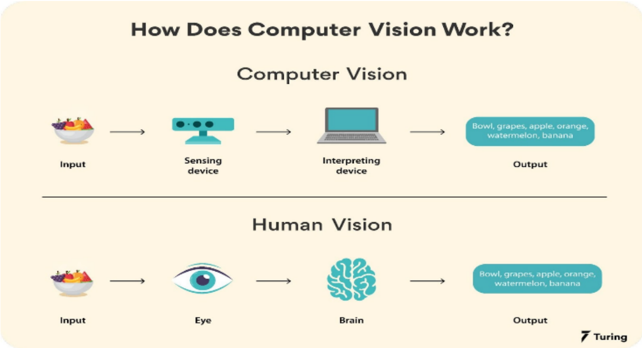


Fig. 1. Flow Diagram

Osteoarthritis, one of the most common types of arthritis, affects millions of people worldwide. It manifests itself when the protective cartilage that covers the ends of one's bones gradually erodes. With a prevalence of 22% to 39% and more than 10 million cases in the previous year, osteoarthritis is India's most prevalent joint illness and the second most common rheumatic condition. The knee is one of the joints that is commonly affected by osteoarthritis. After sustained stress, the cartilage in the knee can begin to break down, osteoarthritis is the result of the knee bones rubbing against one another. To check it, the radiologist observes the X-ray report of the patient. Arthritic knee X-rays may show joint space narrowing, bony changes, and the formation of bone spurs (osteophytes).

RELATED WORK

[1] There is a significant time involved in this process (can vary from 2 to 4 days in India) of generating the final report and especially in areas where the population is considerably high, and number of medicine practitioners are comparably low. Another thing to take into consideration especially for a developing country like India is that in private hospitals, the cost of treatment is high and in government hospitals there is a lot of overhead and managing physical reports can be difficult. In rural regions, there is an unavailability of infrastructure and healthcare services and considering results are highly dependent on the experience of a radiologist it would be quite effective to automate this whole process.

[2] The extensive use of medical images in the medical profession for the treatment and diagnosis of various diseases is the subject of research papers authored by Changchang Yin, Buyu Qian, Jishang Wei, and others, among others. However, it is a laborious and time-consuming operation to analyse medical images and summarise their insights, which might cause bottlenecks in the clinical diagnosis procedure. Automatic report production may be useful in resolving this issue. But producing medical reports comes with two significant difficulties. First, it can be difficult to precisely identify every abnormality, particularly rare disorders. Second, compared to natural image captions, medical image reports typically contain multiple paragraphs and phrases, which makes it difficult to generate accurate and diverse reports.

[3] To address these issues, the authors propose a new framework that accurately detects anomalies and automatically creates medical records from initial medical photographs. The Hierarchical Recurrent Neural Network (HRNN) that the report generating model is based on employs a topic matching technique to increase the precision and variety of the generated reports. The HRNN model also incorporates a soft-focus mechanism to improve overall performance.
The authors also suggest the Global Label Pooling method, which is found to perform better than the current GFP (Global Feature Pooling) mechanism, for anomaly identification. Experimental findings on two datasets of image-paragraph pairs demonstrate that the given framework performs better than all current state of the art approaches.

[4] A research effort on automatic radiology report production based on multimodal picture fusion and medical insight enrichment is presented by the Department of Informatics. It takes too much of time, effort, and talent to produce reliable automated radiology reports, which are time-consuming tasks. The complexity of medical visual content and the need for precise natural language descriptions make writing radiology reports difficult, even though DL techniques are successfully applied to picture annotation and image classification. Additionally, the size of open databases that contain matched reports and medical images is constrained.

[5] The authors suggest an encoder decoder model that concentrates on X-ray of chest pictures and its report and incorporates these changes to get around this problem.

The authors provide a brand-new encoder-decoder approach for the creation of radiology reports that integrates a variety of visual focus radiological data types. The hierarchical LSTM decoder's semantics are captured by the model using medical terms. The suggested model extracts and visualises ambiguous radiography findings as a priceless added advantage, alerting more scientists to these uncertainties for further investigation in practise. Overall, the proposed approach uses improved visual and textual material to attain cutting-edge performance.

[6] Research by J Poon, M M A Monshi, V Chung from the University of Sydney shows significant progress in developing an automated radiology reporting model based on deep learning (DL). This progress is facilitated by the availability of large medical image/text databases. Recent academic attention has focused on creating sequential paragraphs in radiology reports, a more practical and complex program that requires bridging visual medical features and radiologist texts. To achieve this goal, a DL model combining CNN for image analysis, RNN for natural language processing, and natural language generation (NLG) has been developed. The most common approach is to use publicly available databases to train these models.

[7] We hope that this field of research will be expanded in the near future. In our work, we explore key challenges such as understanding radiology text and image structure and database, using deep learning (mainly CNN and RNN) algorithms, generating radiology text, and enhancing current DL-based models and evaluation metrics. We also provide critical analysis and suggestions for future research. Our questionnaire will be useful for researchers interested in in-depth study, especially those who intend to use it in radiology reports. This research will brig glory in the lives of patients suffering from osteoarthritis.

[8] The modern techniques for training convolutional neural networks, even the most basic architectures can achieve remarkable performance. For instance, networks consisting solely of convolutions and subsampling operations can outperform, or at least match, state-of-the-art models on CIFAR-10 and CIFAR-100. A similar architecture can also deliver competitive outcomes on ImageNet. It is noteworthy that contrary to previous findings, including explicit pooling operations like max-pooling doesn't always enhance performance of CNNs. This is especially true when the network is large enough to learn all the necessary invariances using convolutional layers alone for the given dataset.

EXISTING SYSTEM

The most common form of arthritis is osteoarthritis, also known as degenerative joint disease. Osteoarthritis develops as people age. Osteoarthritis changes usually occur slowly over many years, although there are exceptions. Joint inflammation and injury cause bone changes, tendon and ligament deterioration, and cartilage breakdown resulting in pain, swelling, and joint deformity. To examine Osteoarthritis, a Radiologist observes the XRay Report of the Patient. X-rays of arthritic knees can narrow the joint space, changes in bones, and the formation of bone spurs. After determining the grade of osteoarthritis, the Radiologist gives corresponding comments and then reports are finalised.

PROPSED SYSTEM

On the other hand, Automated Osteoarthritis report generation helps identify patients and reduce the workload for doctors. Reports produced by automated medical report generators must be reliable, easy to understand, and accurate to be used effectively in practice. The quality of the explanation of how the report is made and how the diagnosis is achieved is a key factor in achieving this goal. Having an interpretable system allows developers to identify any flaws or inefficiencies, and clinicians have confidence in the decisions they make with this system.

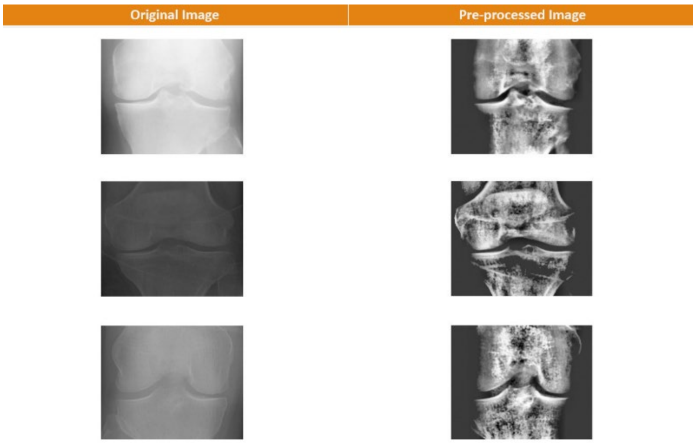


Fig 3: Original vs Pre-Processed Image

METHODOLOGY

The approach that we brought into use while constructing this system was the **agile development approach**.

The following features were included in the system:

- Register/Login user
- Generating new report
- Download/Print report
- User details and report management
- View-download-search patients reports based on :
    - Serial no.
    - Gender
    - Grade
    - Name
    - Age
- Change system's language (108 languages including Hindi and Punjabi)

WORKING OF THE SYSTEM

The whole system is based on the working of the frontend and the backend wherein **Node.js** along with **Express Framework** is used in the backend and **HTML, CSS along with JavaScript** is used to build the frontend part.

- On opening of the web application, the user is directed to a login/registration page. The login system used the passport local strategy to authenticate users. **MongoDB** is used as the database to store user information as well as the patient information and report data.
- The passwords created or entered by the user at the "login your credentials" page is encrypted and is made secure by **bcryptjs**.
- On successful login by the user, he/she gains an access to the dashboard from which the user can generate a new report or visit his/her old reports stored in the database in their leisure time. Most of the webpages are dynamic and are made possible by the **EJS Package in Node**.
- After entering the details of a new patient and uploading their X-ray scan, a deep learning model predicts the grade of osteoarthritis using **python script** based on the given information and generates an HTML report which is converted into a PDF format using the **puppeteer API**. The user now has the option to print/download the report and save the information onto the database.
- Going back to the dashboard, the details of the patients are added, and the report can be accessed from the "View Reports" section. The server queries the database for information and displays the information of all the patients in a tabular format.
- Reports can be re-downloaded and the user also has an option to search for patients according to their serial no., name, age, etc.
- System also has the feature to change the language of the entire interface using google-translate-script. (108 languages including Hindi and Punjabi).
- Finally, the user can logout to end the session.

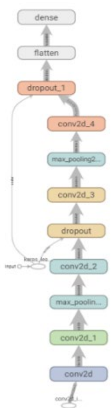
DETAILS OF THE MODEL

The basic structure of the model is inspired by the VGG series with a 2D iterative convolutional layer and a max-print layer increases by units when we move to the bottom of model. For layers without any dropout, the model utilises L2 regularisation to maintain the weights to a comparably smaller amount.

Model: "sequential"

Layer (type)	Output Shape	Param #
conv2d (Conv2D)	(None, 120, 120, 64)	1792
conv2d_1 (Conv2D)	(None, 120, 120, 256)	147712
max_pooling2d (MaxPooling2D)	(None, 60, 60, 256)	0
conv2d_2 (Conv2D)	(None, 60, 60, 256)	590080
dropout (Dropout)	(None, 60, 60, 256)	0
conv2d_3 (Conv2D)	(None, 60, 60, 512)	1180160
max_pooling2d_1 (MaxPooling2	(None, 30, 30, 512)	0
conv2d_4 (Conv2D)	(None, 30, 30, 512)	2359808
dropout_1 (Dropout)	(None, 30, 30, 512)	0
flatten (Flatten)	(None, 460800)	0
dense (Dense)	(None, 5)	2304005

Total params: 6,583,557
Trainable params: 6,583,557
Non-trainable params: 0



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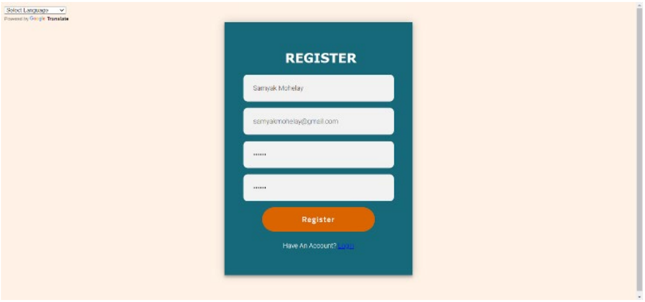
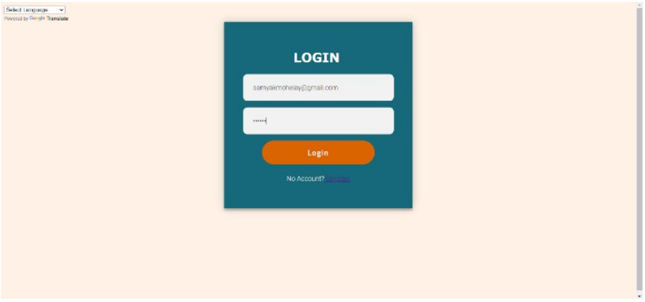
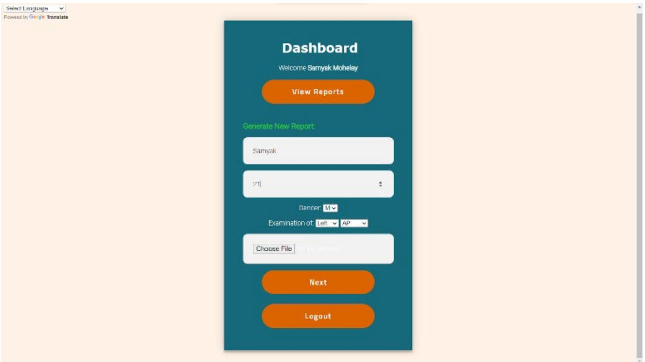


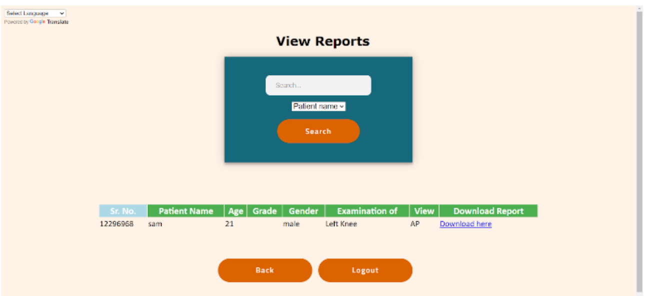
Step1: A user first registers if he/she is visiting the webpage for the first time.



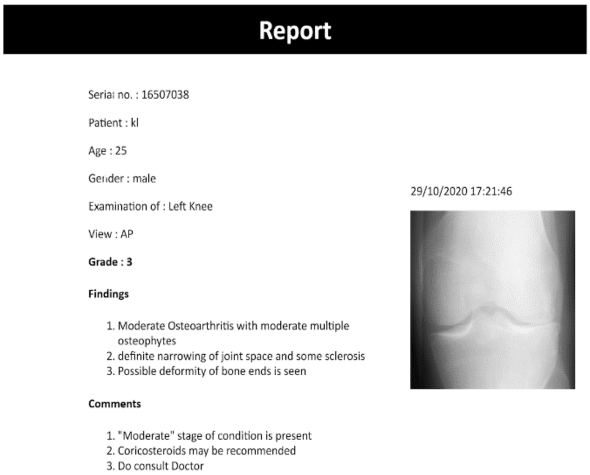
A pre-registered user logs in to the dashboard by entering his/her credentials.



Step2: A dashboard pops up wherein the previous reports of the patient are displayed, and new reports can also be added.



Step3: To have a look at the previous reports this page is displayed.



Report

Serial no. : 16507038

Patient : kl

Age : 25

Gender : male

Examination of : Left Knee

View : AP

Grade : 3

29/10/2020 17:21:46

Findings

1. Moderate Osteoarthritis with moderate multiple osteophytes
2. definite narrowing of joint space and some sclerosis
3. Possible deformity of bone ends is seen

Comments

1. "Moderate" stage of condition is present
2. Coricosteroids may be recommended
3. Do consult Doctor

Result

CONCLUSION AND FUTURE SCOPE

A prevalent joint condition that affects millions of people worldwide is osteoarthritis. Conventional diagnosis of osteoarthritis includes imaging tests such as X-rays, MRIs and CT scans.

However, these methods can be time-consuming and expensive, and often require specialised training to interpret the results. CV is a rapidly evolving area of AI which could revolutionise how osteoarthritis is diagnosed and treated.

By using computer algorithms to analyse medical images, computer vision can quickly and accurately detect patterns and anomalies that the human eye might miss. The future applications of osteoarthritis diagnosis and treatment using computer vision are enormous. For example, using computer vision to detect early signs of osteoarthritis, enabling early intervention and treatment.

It also helps monitor disease progression, leading to a more individualised treatment plan. In addition, computer vision can help assess the effectiveness of treatment options and ultimately improve treatment outcomes.

Additionally, computer vision can help develop new treatments for osteoarthritis. By analysing large amounts of medical data, computer algorithms can identify potential targets for drug therapy and help researchers better understand the underlying mechanisms of disease.

In summary, the future of osteoarthritis diagnosis and treatment using computer vision is bright, with the potential to improve patient outcomes, reduce healthcare costs, and revolutionise the medical field.

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