##### **Diagnostic tool for Diabetic Retinopathy using Convolutional Neural Networks**

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***Abstract*-** Diabetic Retinopathy (DR) is a leading cause of blindness among adults worldwide. Early detection and classification of DR are crucial for effective treatment and prevention of vision loss. This research presents a deep learning-based approach utilizing Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs) to automatically detect and classify DR from retinal fundus images. The model was trained and evaluated on the APTOS 2019 dataset, achieving a quadratic weighted kappa score of 0.92546, indicating high effectiveness in DR detection. The proposed system demonstrates potential for assisting ophthalmologists in the early diagnosis of DR, thereby improving patient outcomes.

***Index Terms***- Diabetic Retinopathy, Deep Learning, Convolutional Neural Networks, Medical Imaging, Automated Diagnosis

1. Introduction

Diabetic Retinopathy (DR) is a microvascular complication of diabetes mellitus that affects the retinal blood vessels, potentially leading to blindness if not detected and treated promptly. The global prevalence of DR underscores the need for efficient and accurate diagnostic tools. Traditional methods of DR detection involve manual examination of retinal images by ophthalmologists, which is time-consuming and subject to inter-

observer variability. Recent advancements in deep learning, particularly Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs), have shown promise in automating the detection and classification of DR from retinal images.

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