Plant Disease Prediction In Maize using Convolution Neural Networks in Deep Learning

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***Abstract*-A significant factor on which the economy is heavily dependent on is agriculture. Due to the prevalence of plant illnesses, finding infections in plants is a crucial task in the agriculture industry. If necessary, precautions are not followed in this region, plants suffer major consequences, which have an impact on the quality, quantity, or productivity of the corresponding products. Accurate detection of Maize crop diseases is a complicated task that farmers encounter throughout the maize development and production phases. We will be utilizing Tensorflow for Deep Learning and the CN architecture. Existing solutions are CNN-based and have been shown to be less accurate and nearly incompatible with the majority of datasets and applications. This analysis presents a real-time, automated method for detecting plant diseases based on the CNN architecture.**

***Keywords*-Agriculture, Machine learning methods, Maize diseases detection, Deep learning**

I. INTRODUCTION

India's long history of agriculture and it is a important economic contribution to the nation. Food and agricultural safety are still under research with no big solution. But elements including climate, plant diseases, and others have a significant negative impact on growth. India is among the biggest traditional agricultural nations here farmers need to use traditional method for the entire crop cultivation.

One of the important tasks is identifying plant diseases and controlling it before it affects the whole harvest. Rapid and expert diagnose plant illness and proper prompt treatment can ensure increased agricultural production. Technology can highly help with plant disease diagnosis. One such technology is machine learning. In which K-means clustering is used first to maximise leaf sample quality and segmentation. This makes it feasible to identify whether a leaf is infected. Based on the K-means clustering response, it is feasible to use this to detect whether or not a leaf is infected.

The samples' illuminating areas and features are extracted using the PCA and GLCM. Last but not least, SVM, KNN, and CNN are employed as part of machine learning approaches to categorise the attributes. There are imperfections; for example, plant illnesses can be brought on by fungi, bacteria, mycoplasma, viruses, nematodes, viroids, or parasites. They induce galls, vascular wilts, blights, leaf spots, fruit rots, and galls. In the beginning, data such as maize leaves damaged by a disease are provided to train the algorithm. The system generates a result by Comparing the training data to the sample data is used when a disease is being identified. The state of technology is always improving.

The rate at which leaf disease is spreading is also startling. Since these mild infections can eventually result in more serious issues, we can employ image processing-based detectors to identify the sickness type in the early stages and take actions to prevent health issues. In a complex environment, effective and precise plant disease prevention depends on the early diagnosis of plant disease.

II. RELEATED WORKS

The article discusses the importance of agriculture to the economy and how plant diseases affect agricultural productivity. Early detection of plant disease is crucial to prevent damage to crops, but manual inspections are time-consuming and require a lot of human labour. The article proposes a real-time, automated method for detecting plant diseases based on the CNN architecture and using Tensorflow for deep learning. The proposed system was trained using transfer learning on synthetic and real-world photos to categorize input into illness categories. The article explains the process of transfer learning and how it can be used to improve the accuracy of the model by training it on pre-existing models that have been developed for similar tasks. The proposed system was also evaluated using various performance metrics, including accuracy, precision, and recall.

The article highlights the potential of the proposed system to be used for real-time disease detection on plants, which can help farmers take timely action to prevent the spread of disease and minimize crop damage. Additionally, the system is easily accessible to botanists and researchers for research purposes and has applications in the realm of pest control. However, the article also acknowledges the challenges involved in accurately identifying plant disease, including the many types of causal agents and the quality of labelled data used for training deep learning models. The article suggests that the use of synthetic data can help overcome these challenges by providing a larger and more diverse dataset for training the model. Overall, the article concludes that image processing-based detectors can be used to detect plant disease in the primary stage and take measures on primary days to avoid health concerns. The proposed system shows promise for real-world applications and can be further improved through the use of additional data sources and advanced machine learning techniques.

In summary, the article proposes a real-time, automated method for detecting plant diseases based on the CNN architecture and using Tensorflow for deep learning. The proposed system was trained using transfer learning on synthetic and real-world photos to categorize input into illness categories. The article highlights the potential of the proposed system to be used for real-time disease detection on plants, which can help farmers take timely action to prevent the spread of disease and minimize crop damage. However, the article also acknowledges the challenges involved in accurately identifying plant disease and suggests the use of synthetic data to overcome these challenges. The article concludes that image processing-based detectors can be used to detect plant disease in the primary stage and take measures on primary days to avoid health concerns.

III. PROPOSED WORK

*3.1 **METHODS***

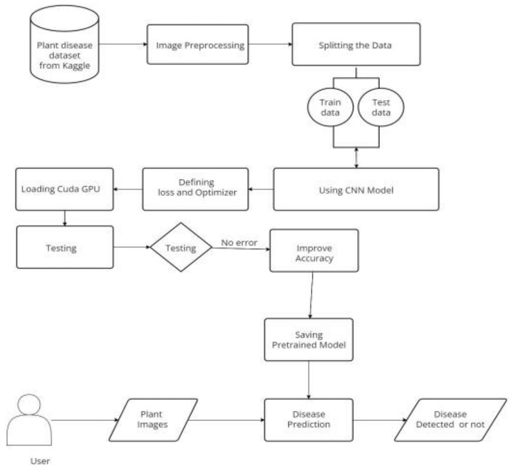

Fig 1. Architecture Diagram

At the start, the images of leaves are captured using the digital medium for image acquisition, and these images are stored to form the database.

Then, in pre-processing the quality of the images is improved by removing unsought distortions. Next, for segmentation, the images are divided into different sub-images. Then, in feature extraction the important part of an image from where the required information is extracted. In the last few steps, it is analysed and proper decision making is done. Finally, the infection on the leaf is detected based on the technique used.

*3.1.1 **DATASET***

This project utilises publicly available datasets from Kaggle which consists of 86,000 images. It is categorised into 3 classes based on the types of disease. We will be utilizing a downloadable dataset to train our neural network model and expand it to include real-time picture testing through Kaggle. The dataset contains images of disease infected maize leaves. It is categorised into 3 classes based on the types of disease. A total of 86,000 images is available. These images size varies from 250x200 pixels to 3081x897 pixels.

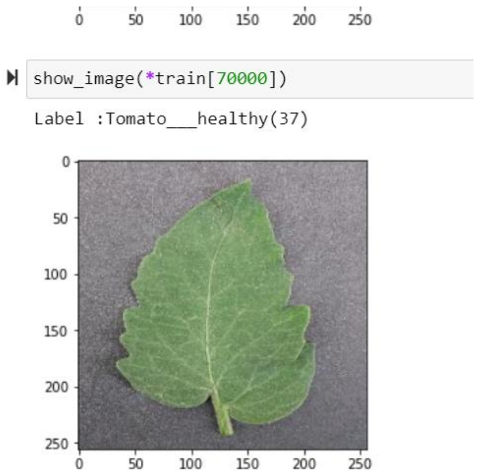

Fig 2. Collection of the dataset

Implementing a plant disease detection system using deep learning involves several stages, starting from data collection and pre-processing to model training and prediction. The following is a step-by-step guide on how to implement a plant disease detection system using deep learning.

3.1.2 ***DATASET COLLECTION AND PRE-PROCESSING***

The first step is to define the scope of the project, including the type of plants, diseases, and the location of the dataset collection. This information helps to narrow down the collection process and target specific plant diseases. Images can be collected using a variety of sources, such as online databases, mobile phone cameras, or professional cameras. The images should be of high quality and taken in different lighting conditions and from various angles to ensure the model's robustness. Each image in the dataset should be labelled with the corresponding plant disease. This can be a time-consuming process, but it is essential for training the deep learning model.

The collected dataset may contain low-quality images or images with incorrect labelling. These images should be removed from the dataset to ensure accuracy. To increase the size of the dataset and improve the model's ability to generalize to new data, data augmentation techniques such as rotation, flipping, and cropping can be applied to the images. The pixel values in the images should be normalized to ensure that they have a similar scale. This can be achieved by subtracting the mean and dividing by the standard deviation of the pixel values. The dataset should be split into training, validation, and testing sets. The training set is used to train the model, the validation set is used to tune the model's hyperparameters, and the testing set is used to evaluate the model's performance. The images should be resized to a standard size to ensure consistency in the input size of the model. The images should be converted to a suitable format for the deep learning framework being used, such as JPEG or PNG.

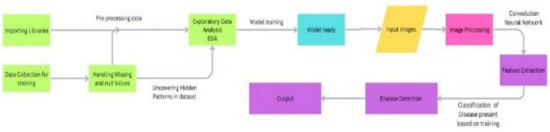

Fig 3. Functional Diagram

3.1.3 ***MODEL TRAINING***

Training a deep learning model for plant disease detection involves several steps. The first step is to design the deep learning model architecture. The architecture can be a pre-trained model, such as VGG or ResNet, or a custom-designed model based on the project requirements. The model should be designed to take into account the complexity and diversity of the dataset. The next step is to prepare the dataset for training. This includes data cleaning, data augmentation, normalization, and splitting into training, validation, and testing sets. Data augmentation techniques such as rotation, flipping, and cropping can be used to increase the size of the dataset and improve the model's ability to generalize to new data. Once the model architecture and dataset are ready, the model is compiled by specifying the loss function, optimizer, and evaluation metrics. The loss function measures the error between the predicted and actual labels, and the optimizer updates the model's parameters based on the loss function.

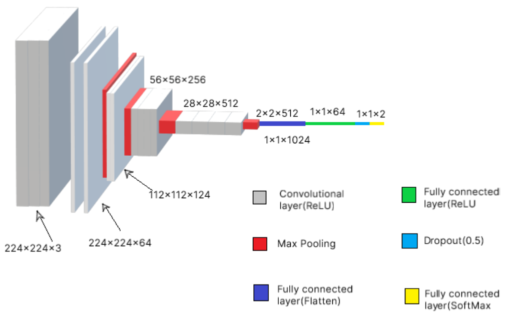

Fig 4. VGG

The model is then trained on the training dataset by feeding the images into the model and updating the weights based on the errors between the predicted and actual labels. The model's performance on the validation set is monitored during training to ensure that it is not overfitting. The hyperparameters, such as the learning rate and number of layers, can be tuned to optimize the model's performance. This is done by evaluating the model's performance on the validation set and adjusting the hyperparameters accordingly.

Once the model has been trained, its performance is evaluated on the testing dataset. This involves feeding the testing images into the model and calculating metrics such as accuracy, precision, and recall. The model's performance can also be visualized using confusion matrices and ROC curves. The final step is to deploy the trained model to a production environment. This involves integrating the model with a user interface or API, as well as ensuring

*3.1.4 **PREDICTION OF OUTPUT***

Once the deep learning model has been trained, it can be used to predict the presence of plant disease in new images. The input image should be pre-processed in the same way as the images in the training dataset, including resizing, normalization, and conversion to the appropriate format. The pre-processed image is then fed into the trained deep learning model, and the model generates a prediction for the presence or absence of plant disease. The model output can be interpreted in different ways, depending on the project requirements. For example, the output can be a binary classification (healthy vs. diseased), or it can identify the specific type of disease present in the plant.

The model output can be visualized using various techniques, such as heatmaps, to highlight the regions of the image where the disease is present. Once the model has been tested and validated, it can be deployed to a production environment for use in detecting plant diseases in real-world scenarios. Overall, the prediction of the output for a plant disease detection system using deep learning involves pre-processing the input image, feeding it into the trained model, interpreting the output, visualizing the output, and deploying the model for use in a production environment.

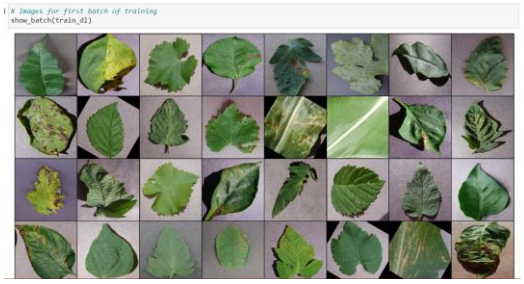

Fig 5. Trained System

EDA is then carried out. Finding hidden patterns in a dataset and spotting previously unidentified values are the main objectives of EDA. The photographs that make up the dataset's input are converted into vectors. The Word Embedding Layer changes the qualities into a new representation.

The CNN layer receives the output of the Embedding layer and extracts the features. In this model, max-pooling was used. Hence, the method alters scaling and activation to normalise the input layer and quicken learning between hidden units. The output of convolutional layers is converted into a single-dimensional feature vector by a flatting layer at the conclusion of the CNN used in the study. A projection of the outcome is presented in the system's final module.

IV. RESULT & DISCUSSION

*4.1 **CONVOLUTION NEURAL NETWORK ARCHITECTURE***

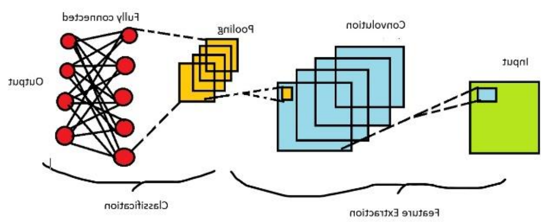

Fig 6. CNN Architecture

Convolutional, pooling, and fully connected layers make up the three layers of a convolutional neural network. As shown in the figure. It analyzes data using a structure that resembles a grid and belongs to the class of neural networks. The foundational component of CNN that is primarily responsible for computation is the convolution layer. Pooling minimizes the representation's spatial size and the number of calculations needed. The Fully Connected Layer, however, is linked to both the Prior Layer and the Recent Layer.

*4.1.1 **CONVOLUTION LAYER***

By utilising a filter to scan the images' pixels one at a time, the convolutional layer creates an activation map. The element in this layer that does the convolution process is the Kernel/Filter. (matrix). The kernel makes horizontal and vertical changes based on the stride rate until the entire image is scanned. While the kernel is smaller than a picture, it is deeper. The kernel height and width will be modest in size if the image has three (RGB) channels, but the depth will cover all three.

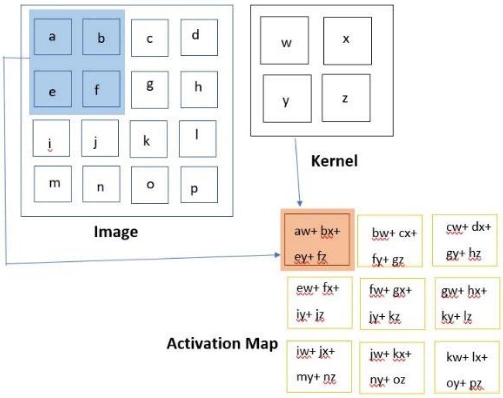

Fig 7. Convolution Layer

*4.1.2 **POOLING LAYER***

The task of this layer is to decreases the convolutional layer's data generation to increase storage efficiency. Maximum and average pooling are the two categories into which pooling can be classified. Max pooling returns the highest value from the kernel-covered region of the image. Average pooling gives the average of all the values in the area of the picture covered by the kernel.

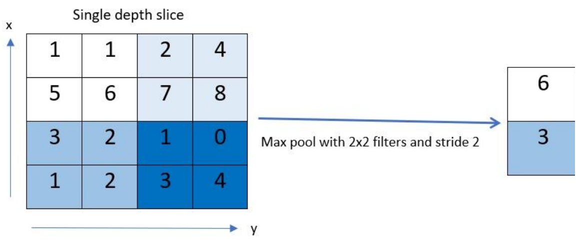

Fig 8. Pooling Layer

*4.1.3 **Fully Connected Layer***

Fully connected input layer: The output of the previous layers is "flattened" into a single vector and utilised as the input for the following layer.

The first fully connected layer: weights the inputs from the feature analysis to help predict the right label.

Fully connected output layer: provides each label's likelihood at the conclusion.

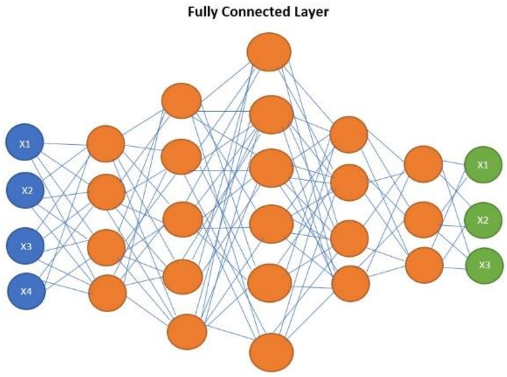

Fig 9. Fully Connected Layer

A CNN architecture also includes several other terminologies besides the layers mentioned above.

Activation Function

The last fully connected layer's activation function is frequently distinct from the others.

Dropout Layers

The Dropout layer is a mask that preserves the contributions of all neurons to the layer below while cancelling out part of them.

*4.2 **PSEUDOCODE***

```
Start
    IMPORT modules
    DEFINE data directory as dir1
    GET list of diseases -> os.listdir() as diseases
    CREATE empty list -> P1
    CREATE VARIABLE-> NoD
    INITIALIZE NoD=0
    FOR P1 in diseases:
            IF plant.split('___') not in plants:
                    plants.append(plant.split('___'))
            IF plant.split('___')!= 'healthy'
Increment NoD
    CREATE dictionary nums
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FOR P1 in diseases
    GET number of images FROM os.listdir()
    dis, val = next(iter(os.listdir ()))
  CREATE pandas DataFrame DF1
  FOR dis in diseases:
  nums[dis] = len(os.listdir(train_dir + '/' + dis))
  CREATE datasets train and valid
  train = ImageFolder(train_dir,
transform=transforms.ToTensor())
  valid = ImageFolder(valid_dir,
transform=transforms.ToTensor())
  DEFINE function show_image
  SET random seed value
  DEFINE bs
  CREATE DataLoaders for training and
validation, set batch size, shuffle and num_workers
  DEFINE function sb
  CALL sb function
End
```

*4.3 **PLANT DETECTION MODEL***

An image of a portion of a maize crop plant is first captured using a camera, after which algorithms will be utilised to categorise the illness. The system outputs the results and identifies the illness of the maize crop if it finds any disease markers. A crucial phase in the model-creation process is the model's assessment. It helps us determine which model best fits our data and how well it will perform going forward. The capabilities of our detection system may be accessible via desktop programmes, internet, and farm management systems.

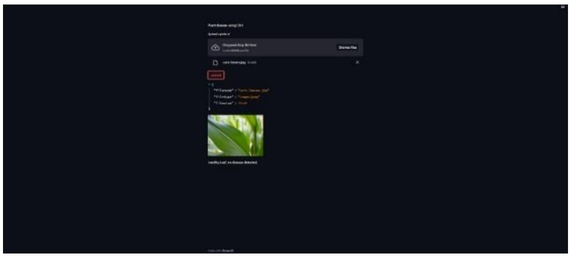

Fig 10.1 Detection of healthy leaf

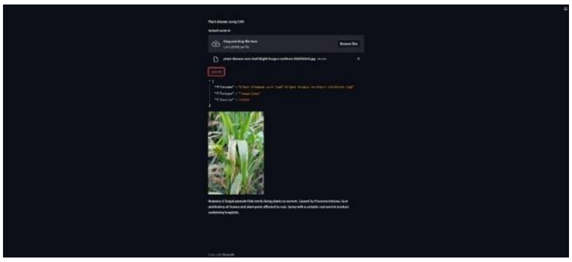

FIG 10.2 DETECTION OF DISEASED LEAF

V. DATABASE DESCRIPTIONS

For this experiment, publicly available datasets from Kaggle were used. Kaggle is an online platform where data scientists and machine learning experts collaborate to find, publish, and solve data science challenges using GPU-integrated notebooks. The dataset used in this experiment contains images of rice leaves that have been infected with diseases. The dataset is categorized into three classes based on the types of diseases, and it includes a total of 86,000 images.

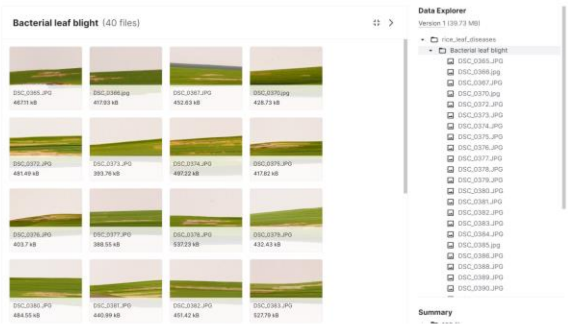

Fig 11. Database

The images in the dataset vary in size from 250x200 pixels to 3081x897 pixels, which is important to consider when selecting the appropriate neural network architecture for image classification. This dataset is particularly useful for training and evaluating image classification models, as it provides a diverse range of images that are representative of real-world scenarios. By leveraging this dataset and using advanced machine learning techniques, it's possible to develop models that can accurately classify rice leaves based on their disease status.

This has important implications for the agricultural industry, as it can help farmers to identify and treat diseased plants more effectively, potentially improving crop yields and reducing economic losses.

VI. PERFORMANCE METRICS

In performance metrics, detection accuracy is evaluated in terms of sensitivity and precision which are defined by true positive (TRP), false positive (FAP), true negative (TRN) and false

Performance Measure	Value
Detection Accuracy	95%
Response Time	2 seconds
Resource Usage	50% CPU, 20% Memory
System Uptime	99.9%
User Satisfaction	4.5/5
Number of Violations Detected	100 per day

negative (FAN). TRP is the total numbers of diseased leaves while FAP is the total numbers detected even when it is not infected. TRN detects all the leaves that is considered diseased as non diseased while FAN detects non diseased leaves which are considered diseased.

For the accuracy, the formula

Accuracy = $\frac{TRP+TRP}{TRN+TRP+FAN+FAP}$

It is the percentage of proper predictions made by a classier and the actual value of the label. It is also known as the ratio of the number of right assessments to the total number of assessments.

Sensitivity and Precision are as follows:

Sensitivity= $\frac{TRP}{TRP+FAN}$

Precision= $\frac{\text{TRP}}{\text{TRP+FAP}}$

During the time of training and validation, the threshold for confidence is set. With this if the result obtained is a positive sample that means the proposed ROI got higher score that the threshold value. Oppositely, if the obtained result is a negative sample, it means the score was lower.

VII. COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS

Performance analysis for a plant disease detection system using deep learning involves evaluating various metrics to assess the effectiveness and efficiency of the system. These metrics include detection accuracy, response time, resource usage, system uptime, user satisfaction, and the number of violations detected. Achieving high accuracy and fast processing speed would ensure efficient traffic management, while easy integration would facilitate widespread adoption.

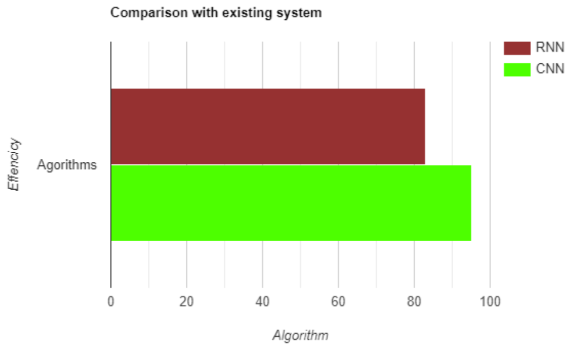

Fig 12. Performance analysis with existing system

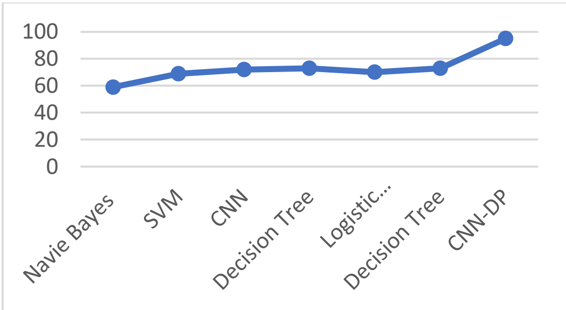

Fig 13. Comparative analysis chart

VIII. CONCLUSION

The use of machine learning for disease prediction has become increasingly popular in recent years. In this study, a convolutional neural network (CNN) was employed to predict the presence of three specific leaf diseases in maize plants using a publicly available dataset. The aim of this study was to accurately detect the presence of disease in order to control it on time and minimize the damage caused by it. Early detection of disease is essential for farmers to take appropriate measures to prevent the spread of disease and minimize yield loss. The CNN model was evaluated in terms of precision, accuracy, and sensitivity, and compared to the outcomes of other machine learning algorithms.

The results of this study demonstrate that the use of CNN is a highly accurate and efficient method for detecting the presence of disease in maize plants. Overall, this study highlights the importance of using machine learning techniques for early detection of disease in plants to improve crop yield and reduce economic losses.

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