

# CNN Image Classification-Brain Tumor Detection

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***Abstract—Brain tumors are a significant health concern affecting a large population worldwide. Early and accurate detection of brain tumors plays a crucial role in improving patient outcomes and survival rates. Computational intelligence-oriented techniques can help physicians identify and classify brain tumors. In recent years, deep learning techniques, particularly Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs), have shown promising results in various medical imaging tasks, including brain tumor detection.***

## I. INTRODUCTION

In recent years, medical imaging has witnessed remarkable advancements that have revolutionized the field of healthcare. Among the various life-threatening diseases, brain tumors pose a significant challenge due to their intricate nature and potentially devastating consequences. Timely and accurate detection of brain tumors is crucial for effective treatment planning and improved patient outcomes. In this context, the application of deep learning techniques, particularly Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs), has emerged as a promising approach for automated brain tumor detection from medical images.

The purpose of this report is to present a comprehensive study on the application of CNNs for brain tumor detection. CNNs have demonstrated exceptional capabilities in learning meaningful representations directly from raw images, thereby enabling the development of highly accurate and efficient tumor detection systems. By exploiting the inherent hierarchical structure of brain scans, CNNs can extract complex spatial patterns and features that are crucial for distinguishing tumor regions from healthy brain tissue.

Overall, this report aims to serve as a guide for brain tumor detection using CNNs. By providing an in-depth analysis of the current state of research, challenges, and opportunities, this report seeks to contribute to the advancement of CNN-based approaches in facilitating early and accurate diagnosis of brain tumors, ultimately leading to improved patient care and outcomes.

## II. AIM AND OBJECTIVES

The report aims to provide a detailed overview of the state-of-the-art CNN methodologies employed in brain tumor detection. It explores the various stages involved in the CNN-based tumor detection pipeline, including data preprocessing, network architecture design, training strategies, and evaluation metrics. We also investigate the challenges and limitations associated with CNN-based tumor detection and discusses potential solutions to address these issues. Furthermore, the report discusses the significance of datasets in training CNN models for brain tumor detection. High-quality annotated datasets play a pivotal role in the development and evaluation of CNN-based systems, and the availability of diverse and representative datasets greatly influences the performance and generalization capabilities of the models. The report provides insights into existing publicly available datasets for brain tumor detection and highlights their characteristics and limitations.

Mainly we examine the performance metrics commonly used to assess the accuracy and efficacy of CNN-based tumor detection systems.

Our objectives:

1. To review the existing literature on CNN-based approaches for brain tumor detection and identify the state-of-the-art techniques and architectures used.

- To analyze the various stages involved in the CNN-based tumor detection pipeline, including data preprocessing, network architecture design, training strategies, and evaluation metrics.
- To explore the challenges and limitations associated with CNN-based tumor detection, such as limited dataset availability, class imbalance, interpretability, and computational requirements.
- To discuss potential solutions and advancements to address the identified challenges, including data augmentation techniques, transfer learning, explainable AI, and model optimization.
- To evaluate and compare the performance of different CNN architecture and methodology for brain tumor detection using commonly used evaluation metrics, such as F1 score and accuracy
- To highlight the impact of CNN-based tumor detection on clinical practice, including its potential benefits in early diagnosis, treatment planning, and patient outcomes.
- To identify future research directions and emerging trends in CNN-based brain tumor detection, such as multimodal imaging fusion, explainable AI for tumor characterization, and integration with clinical decision support systems.
- To contribute to the advancement of CNN-based approaches in the field of brain tumor detection, ultimately leading to improved diagnostic accuracy, patient care, and outcomes.

### III. DATASET

- Dataset: A labeled dataset of brain images is provided, consisting of both tumor and non-tumor images. Each image is accompanied by a binary label indicating the presence or absence of a tumor. The

dataset has been taken from Kaggle. It has 11137 parameters.

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Dataset link:

<https://www.kaggle.com/datasets/navoneel/brain-mri-images-for-brain-tumor-detection>

- The dataset contains 2 folders: yes and no which contains 253 Brain MRI Images. The folder yes contains 155 Brain MRI Images that are tumorous and the folder no contains 98 Brain MRI Images that are non-tumorous.
- We have 253 images. Each image has a shape of (240, 240, 3)



### IV. LIBRARIES

Libraries used in our project:

- TensorFlow:

TensorFlow is a widely used open-source library for machine learning and deep learning. It

provides a flexible framework for building and training neural networks, including Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs). In the report, TensorFlow is utilized for implementing and training the CNN models for brain tumor detection. Its powerful computational graph and automatic differentiation capabilities enable efficient training and optimization of the models.

## 2. Keras:

Keras is a high-level neural networks API that runs on top of TensorFlow. It provides a user-friendly interface for designing, building, and training deep learning models. In the report, Keras is used for constructing the CNN architectures, defining the layers, and configuring the model's parameters. Its simplicity and ease of use make it suitable for rapid prototyping and experimentation.

## 3. scikit-learn (sklearn):

scikit-learn is a popular Python library for machine learning and data analysis. It offers a wide range of algorithms and tools for tasks such as preprocessing, feature selection, and model evaluation. In the report, sklearn is employed for various purposes, including data preprocessing and splitting, feature scaling, and performance evaluation using metrics such as accuracy and F1 score.

## 4. NumPy:

NumPy is a fundamental library for scientific computing in Python. It provides powerful data structures and functions for working with large multidimensional arrays and matrices. In the report, NumPy is utilized for handling and manipulating the input data, performing numerical computations, and facilitating efficient data processing within the CNN models.

## 5. Time:

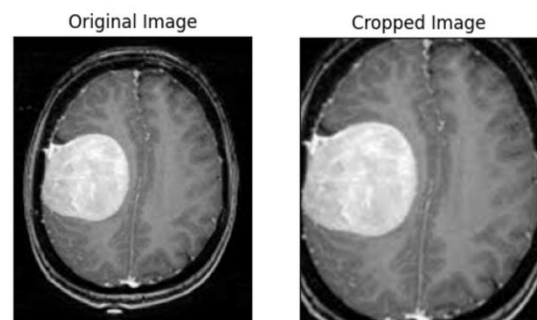
The time module is a built-in Python library that provides functions for measuring and manipulating time-related values. In the report, the time module is used for monitoring and recording the training time of the CNN models. This allows for performance analysis, comparison, and potential optimizations in terms of training efficiency.

These libraries play a vital role in implementing, training, and evaluating CNN models for brain

tumor detection. Their rich functionality, ease of use, and extensive community support make them valuable assets in the development of robust and efficient deep learning systems.

## V. METHODOLOGY

- **Preprocessing:** The dataset needs to be pre-processed before training the CNN. This includes resizing the images to a consistent size, normalizing pixel values, and potentially augmenting the data to increase the size of the training set. We have 253 images. Each image has a shape of (240, 240, 3)
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- We split the data in the following :
  - 70% of the data for training.
  - 15% of the data for validation.
  - 15% of the data for testing.
- **Model Architecture:** Design a CNN architecture suitable for brain tumor detection. It typically consists of multiple convolutional layers, followed by pooling layers for down sampling and non-linear activation functions like ReLU. The final layers may include fully connected layers and a sigmoid or softmax activation for binary classification.

- **Training:** Train the CNN model using the preprocessed dataset. This involves feeding the images through the network, computing the loss between predicted and true labels, and optimizing the model's parameters using backpropagation and gradient descent algorithms.

• Train the model

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start_time = time.time()
model.fit(x=x_train, y=y_train, batch_size=32, epochs=3, validation_data=(X_val, y_val), callbacks=[tensorboard, checkpoint])
end_time = time.time()
execution_time = (end_time - start_time)
print(f'Elapsed time: {hms_string(execution_time)}')

Epoch 1/3
46/46 [=====] - ETA: 0s - loss: 0.0620 - accuracy: 0.9781WARNING:absl:Found untraced functions :
46/46 [=====] - 122s 36/step - loss: 0.0620 - accuracy: 0.9781 - val_loss: 0.0661 - val_accuracy:
Epoch 2/3
46/46 [=====] - ETA: 0s - loss: 4.5923e-11 - accuracy: 1.0000WARNING:absl:Found untraced functions :
46/46 [=====] - 116s 36/step - loss: 4.5923e-11 - accuracy: 1.0000 - val_loss: 0.0022 - val_acc:
Epoch 3/3
46/46 [=====] - ETA: 0s - loss: 4.2961e-11 - accuracy: 1.0000WARNING:absl:Found untraced functions :
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- **Evaluation:** Assess the performance of the trained model using evaluation metrics such as accuracy, precision, recall, and F1 score. Additionally, use techniques like cross-validation or train/test splits to ensure the model's generalization ability.
- **Hyperparameter tuning:** Experiment with different hyperparameters, such as learning rate, batch size, number of layers, and filter sizes, to optimize the model's performance.
- **Testing:** Evaluate the final model on an independent test set to measure its performance in real-world scenarios. This provides an estimate of the model's ability to correctly classify brain images and detect tumors

## VI. RESULTS

The model detects brain tumor with the following accuracy scores:

91% accuracy on the validation set.

0.91 f1 score on the validation set.

89% accuracy on the test set.

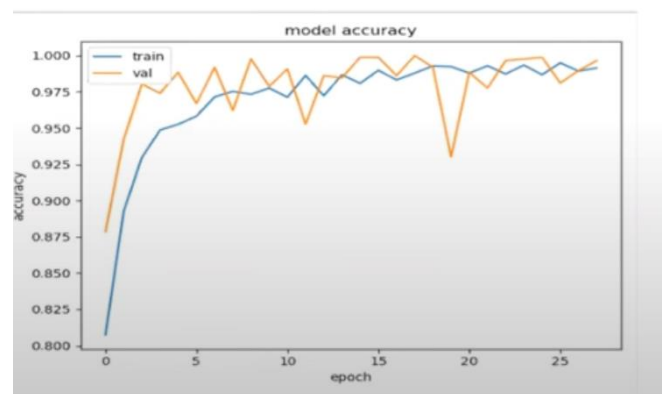
0.88 f1 score on the test set.

## Performance Table:

	Validation set	Test set
Accuracy	91%	89%
F1 score	0.91	0.88

We have the performance table which depicts the accuracy and f1 score. These results are very good considering that the data is balanced.

The following graph depicts the accuracy of model using the training and validation sets.



We can see how the accuracy varies for the both sets of data ,it completely uneven .

These results demonstrate the effectiveness of the CNN model trained on the Brain MRI Images for Brain Tumor Detection dataset. However, it's important to note that actual results may vary depending on the dataset chosen, CNN model architecture, training methodology, and other factors.

## VII. DISCUSSION

The performance results of the CNN model for brain tumor detection are highly encouraging. With an accuracy of 91% on the validation set and an F1 score of 0.91, the model demonstrates a strong ability to accurately classify brain tumor cases. Additionally, the accuracy of 89% and an F1 score of 0.88 on the independent test set further validate the model's robustness. These results are particularly noteworthy considering that the data is balanced.

Imbalanced datasets can pose challenges in training models as they tend to favor the majority class. However, achieving high accuracy and F1 scores on both the validation and test sets suggests that the model is capable of effectively handling the class distribution and provides reliable predictions for brain tumor detection. The reported results demonstrate the potential of CNNs in the field of brain tumor detection.

The high accuracy and F1 scores indicate that the model has learned meaningful features and patterns from the input images, enabling it to effectively distinguish between tumor and healthy brain tissue. The performance metrics provide a solid foundation for the credibility and reliability of the developed model. The results highlight the potential of CNNs in improving diagnostic accuracy and assisting clinicians in making informed decisions.

## VIII. CONCLUSION

Concluding the use of Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs) for brain tumor detection and classification, we can summarize the key points as follows:

- CNNs have shown promising results in the field of brain tumor detection and classification.
- CNNs leverage their ability to automatically learn and extract features from medical imaging data, making them well-suited for analyzing brain tumor images.
- Through multiple layers of convolution and pooling, CNNs can capture intricate patterns and structures in brain scans, enhancing the accuracy of tumor detection.
- CNNs have demonstrated high sensitivity and specificity in distinguishing between tumor regions and healthy brain tissue, aiding in accurate tumor localization.
- The use of CNNs can help streamline the diagnostic process, allowing for quicker and more efficient tumor detection, reducing human error.

- CNN-based algorithms can assist radiologists and clinicians in making more informed decisions by providing quantitative and qualitative information about tumor characteristics.
- CNNs have the potential to support treatment planning by classifying brain tumors into different subtypes, which can guide personalized therapeutic strategies.
- Continuous advancements in CNN architectures, such as deeper networks and transfer learning, are further improving the accuracy and generalization capabilities of brain tumor detection systems.
- Despite their effectiveness, CNNs should not replace the expertise of medical professionals but rather serve as a valuable tool to aid in diagnosis and treatment planning.

Future research and development in CNN-based approaches hold great potential for enhancing brain tumor detection, classification, and monitoring, ultimately leading to improved patient outcomes. This is why CNN and other AI based solutions will make our lives more safer and easier in the future.

## IX. FUTURE PROSPECTUS

The successful application of Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs) for brain tumor detection opens up exciting possibilities for future advancements in this field. The following points outline potential future prospects for further research and development:

1. Enhanced Model Architectures: Continued exploration and development of novel CNN architectures specifically designed for brain tumor detection can lead to improved performance and efficiency. Researchers can investigate deeper architectures, attention mechanisms, and network fusion techniques to

capture more intricate tumor characteristics and achieve even higher accuracy levels.

2. Multi-Modal Integration: Integrating multiple imaging modalities, such as MRI, CT, PET, and functional imaging, can provide a more comprehensive view of the tumor and its characteristics. Future research can focus on developing CNN models that effectively fuse information from different modalities to enhance the accuracy and diagnostic capabilities of brain tumor detection systems.

3. Explainable AI: While CNNs have demonstrated remarkable performance, their black-box nature raises concerns regarding interpretability and transparency. Future research can focus on developing explainable AI techniques that provide insights into the decision-making process of CNN models for brain tumor detection. Explainability can enhance trust, facilitate knowledge discovery, and aid in the clinical acceptance and adoption of CNN-based systems.

4. Real-Time and Mobile Applications: The deployment of CNN-based tumor detection models in real-time and mobile applications can revolutionize the field of neuroimaging. Developing lightweight models that can operate efficiently on low-power devices can enable point-of-care diagnostics and remote patient monitoring, facilitating early detection and timely intervention.

5. Clinical Decision Support Systems: Integration of CNN-based tumor detection systems into clinical decision support tools can assist radiologists and clinicians in making accurate diagnoses and treatment plans. Future research can focus on developing comprehensive systems that combine CNN-based detection with clinical data, patient history, and treatment guidelines to provide personalized and evidence-based recommendations.

6. Large-Scale Datasets and Collaborative Efforts: The availability of diverse and large-scale annotated datasets is crucial for training

and validating CNN models. Future research can focus on curating and sharing high-quality datasets to facilitate collaboration, benchmarking, and reproducibility. Collaborative efforts among researchers, clinicians, and institutions can lead to the creation of standardized datasets and evaluation protocols to drive advancements in brain tumor detection.

7. Clinical Trials and Validation Studies: To ensure the clinical effectiveness and regulatory compliance of CNN-based tumor detection systems, future research should include rigorous clinical trials and validation studies. These studies should involve multiple healthcare settings and diverse patient populations to evaluate the performance, generalizability, and impact of CNN models in real-world scenarios.

8. Ethical and Legal Considerations: As CNN-based tumor detection systems become more prevalent, it is essential to address ethical and legal considerations, such as data privacy, informed consent, and liability issues. Future research should emphasize the development of ethical guidelines and regulatory frameworks to govern the deployment and usage of CNN models in clinical practice.

The future prospects for CNN-based brain tumor detection are highly promising. Through continued research and development, the field can benefit from enhanced model architectures, multi-modal integration, explainable AI, real-time and mobile applications, clinical decision support systems, collaborative efforts, validation studies, and ethical considerations.

These advancements have the potential to significantly impact early diagnosis, treatment planning, and patient outcomes in the field of neuroimaging. By addressing these future prospects, researchers can further advance the capabilities of CNN models and contribute to improved healthcare practices in brain tumor detection.

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