

Crop Disease Identification Using Deep Learning Techniques

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Abstract

Crop diseases are a huge danger to food security, but due to a lack of infrastructure in many regions of the world, early identification is difficult. Plant disease is a persistent problem for small farmers, posing a risk to their livelihood and food security. Image categorization in agriculture has been achieved by the recent revolution in smartphone penetration and computer vision models. Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs) are state-of-the-art in image recognition and can deliver a quick and accurate diagnosis. A Convolutional Neural Network (CNN) is a Deep Learning method that can take an image as input, assign importance (learnable weights and biases) to distinct aspects/objects in the image, and distinguish one from the other. The ultimate objective was to get real time dataset for input images that were collected for orange, cotton and sweet lime these are the plant and trees that are mostly grown in Vidarbha also the types of diseases that mostly affect their growth with name and their occurrence, to get efficient output with a decision of category for each individual pixel and for segmentation of pixels, we have used semantic segmentation which label each pixel of an image with a corresponding class of what is being represented. So, in this paper we are classifying the pixels and detecting the diseased part first, and on that basis predicting the disease in the leaf.

Keywords:

Deep Learning, FCN, Detection, Segmentation

INTRODUCTION

Agriculture is known as the backbone of economy in India. Over 70% of the overall population is involved in businesses related to agriculture directly or indirectly. The main goal of agriculture is not only to feed the population but also it is an important source of energy. It is a solution to many problems related to global warming. The harvest is a misfortune because of the ailments in the plants. It becomes very difficult to distinguish the type of disease and work according to the disease for the farmers.

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The main objective of this paper is to help the farmers to distinguish between the diseases and treat the disease so that the disease does not hamper the growth of crop. Since crop disease is a major problem in agriculture industry, it becomes very important to identify the diseases in the crops and work on it. Due to lack of necessary infrastructure to the small farmers, sometimes it becomes very difficult for them to identify the disease, which leads to the loss of entire crop. Some have used deep learning methods to detect the disease in plants using the dataset provided and help to identify the type of disease. Plant disease is a

Persistent problem for small farmers, posing a threat to revenue and food security. Image categorization in agriculture has become possible thanks to the current revolution in smartphone penetration and computer vision models.

A Convolutional Neural Network (CNN) is a Deep Learning method that can take an image as input, assign importance (learnable weights and biases) to distinct aspects/objects in the image, and distinguish one from the other. We made use of CNN to analyze images, and read them based on weight architecture of shared-weight of the convolution kernels or filters that slide along input feature translation-equivariant responses known as feature maps. It is used for preprocessing by making use of various CNN algorithms. This network optimizes the filters through automated learning. CNN is used for extracting the features of the images we give as an input from our dataset to the model for processing.

A fully convolutional network (FCN) uses convolutional neural network to transform image pixels to pixel classes. We have used FCN for semantic segmentation of images. FCN is used for training and making the network faster, to provide better results.

Alexnet is one of the CNN architectures; it has eight layers with learnable parameters. The model consists of five layers with a combination of max pooling and other 3 fully connected layers which

uses relay activation. We made use of this architecture for best accuracy, training and testing of input image's. Alexnet gives a wide advantage when it comes to size of the dataset as it can handle maximum number of images to be processed at the same time and makes running of the model more efficient to achieve better results.

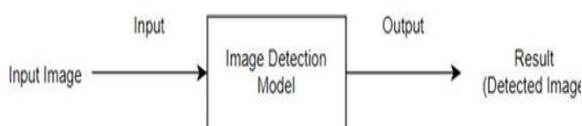


Fig1.1:- Workflow of model

In this model made for disease detection of a crop or any user can easily upload the crop images especially of cotton, sweet limes and oranges in the database provided in crop disease detection website, which is available online easily to every end user. He/she can also get all the information needed related to crop provided in our website. It includes Quality control information, how to prevent a crop from the disease which is being spreading in leaves. The website contains login tab so an existing user can visit a website wherever he/she wants to and register tab for the user so a new user can put his/her information and add in database. Then he can perform following operations like upload the image, process the image and also can check the accuracy for those input image with all the predictions containing information in form of images and text. The model works fast and gives good accuracy even the leaf is completely damaged the model takes the same time. The user gets all the result on site itself. For agriculture sector the model is useful as it contains latest deep learning

architecture using feature extraction and the efficiency of the system is programmed on aconda navigator, it allows you to launch applications and easily manage all the packages by compressing them all in one also if they are oversized. The model allows to launch applications in future also and easily manage all conda packages, channels without using any commands. The project is best for Future Research work and can be updated easily with minimum hardware requirements.

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RELATED WORK

Wang, Bo, Farouk, Ahmed [1], "Identification of Crop Diseases and Insect Pests Based on Deep Learning", this paper proposes an acknowledgment model of harvest illnesses and bug bothers in view of profound gaining according to the viewpoint of natural climate security. The paper improves the AlexNet network's complete connection layer and utilises the enhanced network to evaluate a pre-processed crop image set in order to recognise crop diseases and pests. The proposed model functions admirably with the quantity of information

photographs vacillates, with normal acknowledgment exactness and time for pear ailments and bugs of 96.26 percent and 321 ms, individually, which are superior to other similar models. All the while, when the recommended model is applied to extra informational collections, the acknowledgment precision is more prominent than 91%, and the misfortune rate is under 0.320, giving a specialized help to edit both control independent direction.

J. Sujithra, M. Ferni Ukrit [2], "A Review On Crop Disease Identification And Classification Through Leaf Images", It contains an overview on the utilization of picture handling procedures to distinguish plant infections. The plant diseases were identified using a variety of computer vision approaches, however there is still an influence on detecting all diseases with a single technique. The results of the survey are compared to other methodologies, leading to algorithms such as Support Vector Machine and Neural Network, which play an important role and achieve superior performance in disease identification and classification. This method offers the best remedy for crop illnesses. This research has only been done on a few plants. There are still many more crop kinds to diagnose. Such types should be saved for future research, and the best answer should be found utilizing several methods.

D. Lobo Torres *et al.*, [3], they proposed and evaluated the use of state-of-the-art fully convolutional networks for semantic segmentation of threatened tree species using high spatial resolution RGB images acquired by UAV platforms. Five architectures were tested: Segnet, U-Net, FC-DenseNet, and two

DeepLabv3+ variants, specifically Except on and MobileNetV2. The analysis was conducted on a dataset that represented an urban context. The experiments demonstrated that networks could learn the distinguishing features of the target tree species in a supervised way. This fact indicated that the tested FCN designs could delineate other tree species, provided that enough representative labeled samples are available for training.

Prof. A. R. Bhagat Patil, Lokesh Sharma, [4], "A Literature Review on Detection of Plant Diseases", it proposes a CNN based technique for plant infection characterization utilizing the leaves of ailing plants. Buildings such as a brain network with high effectiveness is a complicated assignment. Machine learning can be utilized to accomplish more noteworthy productivity. Origin v3 is one of the models accessible that innately have the capacity to arrange pictures and further can be prepared to distinguish various classes. Subsequently, utilization of Inception v3 can assume key part in acquiring quick and viable plant illness identifiers. Likewise, by dataset grouping utilizing form strategy, the preparation set can be decided to guarantee legitimate preparation of model for all highlights. This gives preferable component extraction over arbitrarily ordering the dataset. Ideal outcomes were gotten by utilizing the strategies indicated in the paper. In this manner, with the execution and utilization of these strategies for plant illness order misfortunes in agribusiness can be diminished.

S. S. Kumar and B. K. Raghavendra, [5], "Disease Detection and Diagnosis on Plant using Image Processing", it helped us to know that image processing is best

way for detecting and diagnosing the diseases. Diseases decrease the productivity of plant which restrict the growth of plant and quality and quantity of plants also reduces. In image processing initially the infected region is found then different features are extracted such as color, texture and shape. Finally, classification technique is used for detecting the diseases. There are different feature extraction techniques for extracting the color, texture and edge features such as color space, color histogram, grey level co-occurrence matrix (CCM), Gabor filter, Canny and Sobel edge detector. There are also different classification techniques such as Support Vector Machine (SVM), Artificial Neural Network (ANN), Backpropagation (BP) Network, Probabilistic Neural Network (PNN), Radial Basis Function (RBF) Neural Network.

Nikhil Patil, Rajab Ali, Vaibhav Wankhedkar, Prof. Deepali Nayak, [6], they suggested a CNN-based Deep Learning system for crop disease detection. Farmers can benefit from the proposed method since it provides real-time information on crop disease. It also minimizes outbreaks and upsurges that cause massive losses to crops and pastures, putting vulnerable farmers' livelihoods at risk. As when compared to traditional crop disease detection systems, the described approach had an accuracy rate of 89 percent, implying that 9 out of 10 crop photos were correctly identified. The experimental results show that our proposed technology is successful, and it may be utilized widely by farmers to detect crop disease.

Mathimitha S, Pushpa Rani M, [7], "Detection of Plant Diseases Based on

Classification Techniques", A classification technique is used to detect plant leaf diseases. The contrast between the original and diseased leaf may be seen here. The classification of three diseases, Blast, Bacterial Leaf Blast (BLB), and Rice tungro, is the focus of this research. Based on these three disorders, the number of samples is utilized to identify. The major goal of this project is to detect diseases sooner and produce better plant development.

Kambale, Goutum, Bilgi, Prof. Dr. Nitin, [8], "A Survey Paper on Crop Disease Identification and Classification Using Pattern Recognition and Digital Image Processing Techniques", According to the survey, this report attempts to investigate machine learning approaches utilized by researchers for disease identification and plant classification. These machine learning technologies aid agricultural professionals in detecting sickness in plants in a timely manner, and then recommending treatments to farmers. According to agricultural experts' recommendations, the farmer would cure the damaged plant as soon as possible, increasing crop production.

S. W. Zhang, Y. J. Shang and L. Wang [9] "Plant Disease Recognition Based on Plant Leaf Image" a plant illness based leaf acknowledgment strategy was presented in this paper. The proposed calculation was variations on five sorts of maize sicknesses. The trial results demonstrate the proposed technique can perceive and group the plant sicknesses with high acknowledgment rate. A plant sickness acknowledgment strategy is proposed in light of plant leaf pictures. To start with, the spot is sectioned, and the infection highlight vector is

extricated. Then, at that point, the

removed highlights are accommodated the K-closest neighbor classifier to perceive the plant infections. Trial results show the adequacy of the proposed approach.

Oladapo Ibitoye, [10] published by the author Oladipo Biotype, purposed that Masked face recognition is an essential part of health safety, security and surveillance systems which offers incredible advantages in our daily lives, especially in the era of the pandemic here in by the outbreak of coronavirus disease in the year 2019 (COVID-19). The existing systems of masked face recognition were developed to automatically detect and understand faces occluded with masks using computer vision and deep learning techniques. This study gives an analysis of some techniques which are used for the implementation of masked face recognition system, with emphasis on Convolutional Neural Network (CNN). The strengths and enhancement areas of the highlighted techniques towards real-time implementation were discussed.

Juan K. Leonard [11], "Image Classification and Object Detection Algorithm Based on Convolutional Neural Network" by Juan K. Leonard, in this paper he proposed after a systematic study of after a systematic study of convolutional neural networks and an in-depth study of the application of convolutional neural networks in image processing, the mainstream structural models, advantages and disadvantages, time / space used in image classification based on convolutional neural

networks are given. Complexity, problems that may be encountered during model training, and corresponding solutions. At the same time, the generative adversarial

network and capsule network based on the deep learning-based image classification extension model are also introduced; simulation experiments verify the image classification in terms of accuracy, the image classification method based on convolutional neural networks is superior to traditional image classification methods.

METHODOLOGY

The agricultural species leaf pictures are taken as input of the camera.

The leaf which we want to find the information about we simply take out the camera lens and capture the image. So, we can upload the image and get the detailed information of the leaf specifying the diseased and healthy part of the leaf using DL

Techniques. This leaf image is converted into pixels and segmentation is done using image pre-processing. Image pre-processing: Image pre-processing of a leaf is done by processing the leaf through different pre-processing elements such as

a. Resizing/Setting pixel resolutions
b. Filtering/Plain Background.

Resizing the pixel resolution of an image after taking a photo on camera is important by changing the horizontal and vertical ratio of an image. To get the desired output it is necessary to convert the image input and get the desired output (here,

the diseased part of the leaf).

Filtering is done to filter the unwanted background and get the desired background only. Such as a full plain white background. Filtering can be done by using techniques such as thresholding etc. Uploading an input

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filtered image on the website to get the results needed by the user. i.e., features of the leaf such as the diseased part which is taken into consideration and the redness on the leaf etc. such features are taken into account in detection as a result.

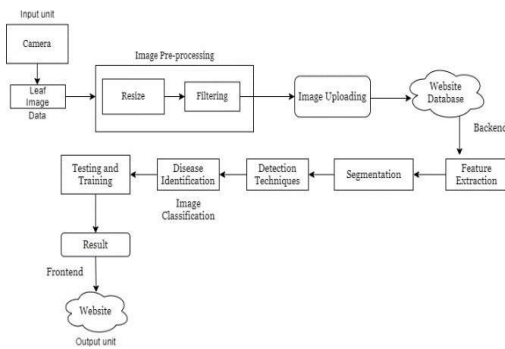


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1: Block Diagram of Crop Disease Identification Using Deep Learning Techniques.

After uploading the image on the web-Application the internal processing for the image takes place such as a. Feature Extraction, b. Segmentation, c. Detection,

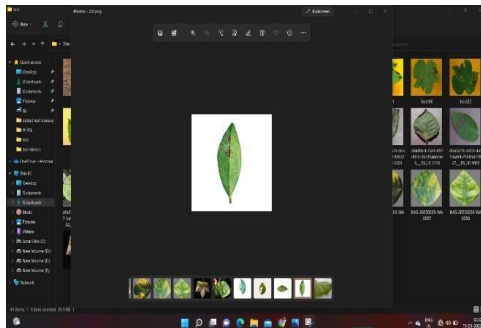
d. Disease Identification, e. Testing and Training. Extraction of the image where the background and image parts are taken into consideration. All these require features of the leaf such as the diseased part, which is taken into consideration and the redness on the leaf etc. such features are taken into account for an appropriate result.

Segmentation means dividing the required object of interest into various segments and converting the object into pixels. To detect all the essential features using Deep Learning Techniques, Detection techniques are used here to derive all features and learning of algorithm stores to recognize all the occurrences of an object.

the bacterial or fungal part of the leaf is considered as an object.

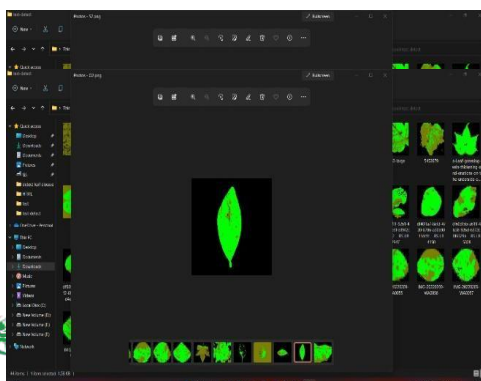
Identifying that which type of disease the leaf has been infected by and classifying the leaf based on its disease and giving an output to the user. For ex: Consider a cotton leaf with disease and is identified and displayed on the front end of the screen as an output.

Train/Test is a method to measure the accuracy of your model. By splitting the data set into two sets: a training set and a testing set. Training the algorithm to achieve the efficient output and to



show the accuracy of the algorithm being used. Testing of the input image data as uploaded on a website by the user and to predict, label the image of leaf for better accuracy and great user experience.

The extracted feature of the disease is then compared with the ideal database, and it is provided to



the user directly on the web application with extra information like the disease name and characteristics, etc.

RESULT

We have worked on the plant images and made a dataset from Kaggle, which contains approx. 104 random leaf images to develop a model for detection of disease from leaf images. Like any real-world data set, we encountered noise in both the images and labels. Images contain diseased parts like bacterial or fungal infection in them. We have made our own dataset containing 500 images of plant leaves, which were collected from real farms with only three categories of leaves species namely cotton, orange, & sweet lime. The images were taken at different time intervals within the span of 2 months.

Each leaf species contains up to 150 single plant leaf images, each one of which has been changed with pixel resolution of 256*256 in size. The following figures show input images and output images using FCN network

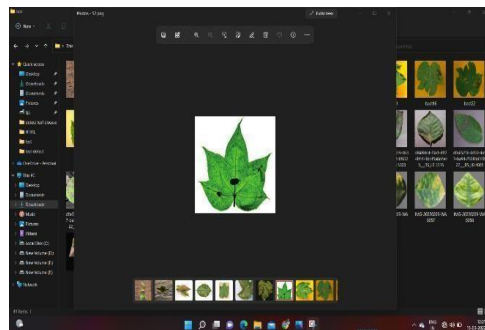


Fig2: Input Images

Fig3:OutputScreenshots

CONCLUSION

Plant disease detection requires high precision and knowledge to determine the disease. It is a complicated process to predict and identify disease to protect plants.

Knowledge requires a deep understanding of various diseases caused by insects, pests, virus, infection, etc.

We have developed a system using various models based on fully convolutional neural network architectures, to detect the crop diseases using images. Our dataset contains images of healthy leaves as well as unhealthy or infected leaves for better precision and training. The results generated by comparing various deep architectures using feature extraction gave us the understanding of the accuracy and efficiency of our system.

Our system uses FCN architecture, which can accurately detect different varieties of diseases of various plants using leaf images.

Even at an early stage of infection, our model can detect the disease hence can be used to reduce the damage that may have been caused by the disease.

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