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# Leaf Disease Detection Using Deep Learning

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**Abstract:** Agriculture is the most important sector among all, as it supplies food to people. As the food demand is increasing in our daily life and the population is increasing there is need of increasing in the food production also. The main issue nowadays is that diseases that are causing the food production to reduce. So our main aim is identification of the disease of the plants in early stage so that we can do the early diagnosis and protect crops from the harmful diseases. By doing this we can avoid the damage of crops and also can reduce the losses that farmers suffer from damage of crops. Here we are using image processing technique to identify the disease of the crops so that we can cure the diseases of the crops in early stage.

Here we are using Deep learning algorithms like Convolutional neural networks (CNN) for our project that is leaf disease detection. CNN is the best algorithm for image processing as it greatly increases the performance of our model. Nowadays deep learning is the current trend as it solves the most complicated problems easily and can get the highest accuracy.

**Keywords:** Deep learning, Leaf disease detection, CNN, Early diagnosis.

## I. INTRODUCTION

### A. Problem Definition

Agriculture, being a important contributor to the world's economy, it is the main source of food, income, and employment. In India, as in other low- and middle-income countries, where an enormous number of farmers exist, agriculture contributes 18% of the nation's income and boosts the employment rate to 53%. In the past years agriculture sector provides the highest growth of economy. It not only helps in economic growth but also provides food which is an important factor. It is our duty to protect the crops from the harmful diseases that are being spread. So our project's main theme is to detect the diseases that are causing damage to the crops by doing this we can do the early diagnosis and can protect the plants. Here we are using one of the methods called image processing for the detection of plant disease because it is one of the most effective method of deep learning techniques where we can detect the disease using images of the leaves of the plant. Nowadays there are many diseases that farmers also don't know what are the causes of that disease in this case our model is most reliable to detect the disease and to prevent it from damaging the crops. We are using one of the deep learning algorithms for our model i.e. Convolutional neural networks (CNN) this is one of the effective algorithms for image processing many of the researches used this convolutional neural network algorithm for their models so that they can get the better performance and high accuracy. Convolutional neural network is one of the of deep learning methods which has become dominant in various tasks and is attracting interest across a variety of domains, including radiology.

### B. Objective of the Project

Our main objective of the project is detection of diseases in plants as they are the vital source of energy we need to protect them. Early diagnosis of plant diseases using automatic detection techniques can improve the quality of food production and minimize economic losses. In recent years, there are many areas where we used deep learning techniques for problem solving. There are many diseases that are spreading among the plants which are destroying the crops, so to detect them and to prevent them is our main objective of this model. Moreover it is our goal to create an automatic detection system for detection of diseases in the plants using image processing by implementing convolutional neural networks.

## II. LITERATURE SURVEY

There are many researches that are done on different plant leaves they are as follows.

- 1) Ranjan, Malvika, and others "Detection and classification of leaf disease using artificial neural network." International Journal of Technical Research and Applications 3.3 in 2015 they proposed a model for detection of leaf disease using artificial neural network.
- 2) There is another paper which took apple tree leaves as their sample and This paper outlines a method for accurately identifying apple leaf diseases. Building enough unhealthy photos and unique architecture of a deep CNN based on AlexNet are required to identify apple leaf infections.

- 3) Pooja V et al. 2017[29] proposed a framework where machine learning techniques are used for classification & disease detection & uses tools for image processing. first It will capture the damaged or infected region in the leaf image and then it detects the disease.
- 4) Tran, T. T., Choi, J. W., Le, T. T. H. and Kim, J. W.: In 2019 these people took the tomato plant leaves for sample and done their research to detect the diseases that occur for the tomato leaf.
- 5) Uğuz, S. and Uysal, N.: Classification of olive leaf diseases using deep convolutional neural networks. This is also one of the deep learning models here they took olive leaf for the disease detection and done their research.
- 6) Sharath, D. M., et al. "Image-based plant disease detection in pomegranate plant for bacterial blight." In 2019 they done their research on pomegranate plant for the disease detection using image processing
- 7) Oppenheim, D. and Shani, G.: Potato Disease Classification Using Convolution Neural Networks (2017).

### III. PROPOSED SYSTEM

#### A. Existing System

The current approach for detecting plant disease is simple naked eye observation by plant experts, which can be used to detect and identify plant diseases. In these circumstances, the suggested technique is useful for tracking vast fields of crops. Furthermore, in some nations, farmers lack adequate facilities or are unaware that they can contact experts. As a result, consulting experts is not only more expensive but also more time consuming. In those circumstances, the suggested technique for tracking a large number of plants would be useful.

#### Disadvantages of Existing System

- Only humans are capable of predicting diseases.
- The procedure is extremely slow
- Consumption of time is also very high

#### B. Proposed System

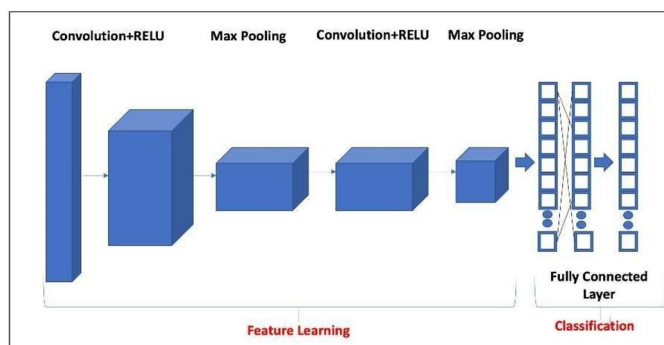
This study is focused on the identification of plant diseases. The plants which are mostly consumed are taken into consideration. It aims for providing a solution at early stage and hence observation from leaves for the identification of diseases is crucial. For any plant disease it is known that leaves are major regions where initial symptoms were found.

Hence considering the images of leaves, the methodology used Convolutional Neural Network to train with infected and healthy plant images.

The train dataset is used to train the model (CNN) so that it can identify the test image and the disease it has. CNN has different types that are Dense, Dropout, Activation, Flatten, Convolution 2D and Maxpooling 2D.

After training the model successfully, the software can identify the disease detection contained in the dataset. After successful training and preprocessing, comparison of the test image and trained model takes place to detect the disease detection.

#### C. Architecture

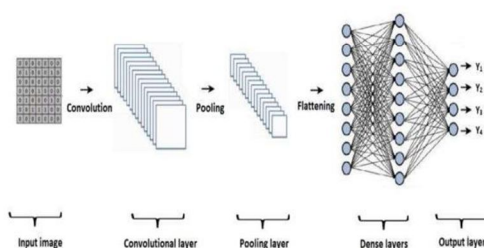




A convolution neural network is made up of input layers, hidden layers and an output layer. In a feed forward neural network, these middle layers are being addressed as hidden layers because the inputs being fed to hidden layers and output generated from them are masked by activation function and final convolutional. In CNN, the hidden layers are most essential as they perform convolutions. This Convolution layer does most heavy lifting. The output from these layer is termed as Feature map which gives us the important information of the image.

Following these CNN consists of layers like Pooling layers, fully connected layers and normalization layers which will help to process the image and provide results more accurately. The primary application of pooling layer is to reduce the computational cost by decreasing the size of convolved feature map. The fully connected layer comes before the output layer which consists of weights and biases and all the main mathematical computation takes place in this layer. In these layer, the main function that is classification takes place. These layers along with additional features like dropout and Activation function makes the model more efficient.

#### D. Method and Algorithm Convolution Neural Network



A Convolutional Neural Network has three layers: a convolutional layer, a pooling layer, and a fully connected layer.

##### 1) Convolutional Layer

Produces an activation map by scanning pictures several pixels at a time using a filter. Fig shows the internal working of the convolutional layer.

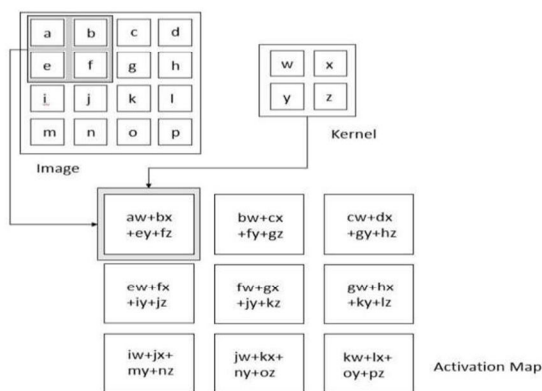
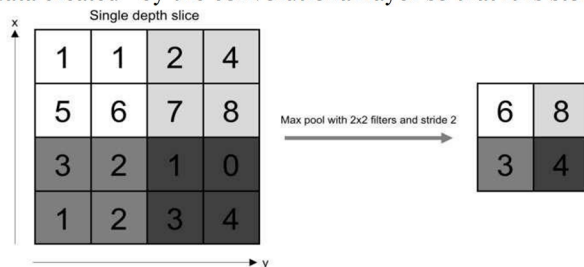


Fig. 3. Convolution Layer

##### 2) Pooling Layer

Pooling layer : reduces the amount of data created by the convolutional layer so that it is stored more efficiently.



### 3) Fully Connected Layer

- Fully Connected Input Layer:** The preceding layers output is flattened and turned into a single vector which is used as an input for the next stage.
- The First Fully Connected Layer:** ADDS weights to the inputs from the feature analysis to anticipate the proper label.
- Fully Connected Output Layer:** Offers the probability for each label in the end.

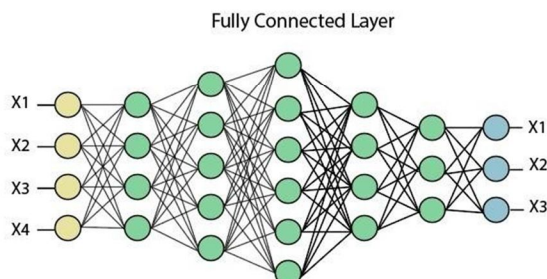


Fig. 5. Fully Connected Layer

### E. Preprocessing

The input image captured is preprocessed by following steps. After reading the image the next step is to resize the image. The resizing of the image is vital because the images obtained from the dataset will be of different sizes which in turn would be difficult to process through the model. Therefore, we must make sure that a base size is set for all images and then fed in to our algorithms. Then we try to remove the blur by reducing the noise. In the next step, we are going to segment the image, separating the background from foreground objects and we are going to further improve our segmentation with more noise removal. The preprocessing step helps to reduce the unwanted section and focuses on the main object in the image.

### F. Feature Extraction

Features are patterns of an object in an image which will help to identify the desired result. Features include different types of properties such as corners, edges, regions of interest points, ridges, etc. This method will be most useful when the dataset is large and because of this technique it is possible to reduce the number of features without losing any important or relevant information. So, by this processing gets easier. It will be able to extract complex features compared to traditional feature extractors where CNN are able to express the image in much more detail and more efficient. These large datasets have multiple different variables. These variables require high computing resources in order to process them. So, Feature extraction identifies the best feature from those big datasets, thus effectively reducing the amount of data. Ideally, these features are relatively easy to process, but still are able to describe the actual dataset with accuracy. The CNN layers help us to extract features from an image. The amount of redundant data will be significantly eliminated with the help of feature extraction.

## IV. RESULTS

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In [78]: plt.figure(figsize=(5,5))
plt.subplot(2,2,2)
plt.plot(epochs_range,acc,label='Training Accuracy')
plt.legend(loc='lower right')
plt.title('Training accuracy')
Out[78]: Text(0.5, 1.0, 'Training accuracy')
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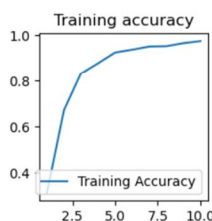


Fig 4.1: training accuracy of the model

This is the training accuracy of our model, the graph shows the accuracy.

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In [84]: plt.subplot(2,2,2)
plt.plot(epochs_range,acc,label='Training loss')
plt.plot(epochs_range,acc,label='validation loss')
plt.title('Training loss')

Out[84]: Text(0.5, 1.0, 'Training loss')
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Fig 4.2: training loss of the model.

We got the highest accuracy for our model that is 97%. We took mango leaf sample for detection of disease in the mango leaf.

## V. CONCLUSION

Our main aim of this model is welfare of the agriculture sector so that we can prevent the plants by getting infected from various types of diseases using the convolutional neural networks using image processing technique. By proper knowledge of the disease we can cure the maximum number of disease that plants suffer. This paper presents a basic overview of the concept of Convolutional neural networks and to build a automatic detection system for detection of leaf diseases. our main aim is to get the high accuracy and a model at low cost thereby building a model which is robust and reliable. Here we used deep learning technique which is used to solve the complex problems and by doing this we want to increase the production of agriculture sector. By using this model we achieve the following.

- 1) Detection of leaf disease with highest accuracy.
- 2) With low cost.

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