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# Cephalothorax Disease Classification System Using Image Processing and Machine Learning: A Review

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**ABSTRACT:** the use of a chest X-ray is frequently one of the first tests that patients undergo when their doctors suspect that they have a lung condition. The x-rays may provide significant information about the sickness that radiologists or restorative inspectors fail to catch at first glance. When these x-rays are re-examined, the illness's appearances are discovered, resulting in a significant amount of time being wasted. A neural network (NN) is demonstrated in this research for the purpose of diagnosing what is wrong with your thorax (chest). We begin by aligning the photos by matching the points of interest that exist between each of them. After that, we employ Gaussian scale space theory to increase the size of the dataset. The following phase involves training a deep neural network model with the larger dataset. Afterwards, the model is used to diagnose further new test data that we have obtained. Our trials have demonstrated that our strategy is quite effective at producing high-quality results.

**KEYWORDS:** Chest X-ray image classification, machine learning, image processing.

## I. INTRODUCTION

The thorax, or chest, is also called the upper part of the trunk. Mostly, the rib cage, spine, and shoulder girdle keep it safe. The rib cage is made up of the lungs, heart, and mediastinum organs, which all work together to feed, breathe, and pump blood to all parts of the body. The rib cage is made up of the lungs, heart, and mediastinum organs.

Chest pain is the most common reason for getting checked out and going to the emergency room. Chest radiography, also known as a chest X-ray (CXR), is one of the most common types of radiology tests used to find out what's wrong with the thorax. However, radiology is a branch of medicine that deals with making decisions in the face of uncertainty, so it can't always come up with perfect interpretations or reports. This is why Computer-Aided Diagnosis (CAD) was made. It helps radiologists get good diagnoses in a short amount of time and improves patient care. They are not meant to replace or compete with doctors, but they are used as a "second opinion" to complement the work of a radiologist, who is able to see inside the body.

Many people have been working on ways to make computer-aided design systems (CAD) better over the last few years. AI and computer vision techniques have been used to do this. One of the main problems and the most common task is to classify medical images, which is one of them. Medical images can be classified into one or more diagnostic outcomes based on their content. This is the goal of the classification process. In this regard, a lot of work has been done to come up with new ways to classify things so that they can be more accurate.

In the beginning, a two-step method was used to solve the image classification problem. Where the first stage is to look for hand-made features in an image using feature descriptors, and then the features are used as input to a classifier that can be trained in the second stage [2]. However, the accuracy of this method is very dependent on the method used to extract features in the first stage, and this method is very important. For this reason, deep learning was looked into when it came to image classification. It allows for automatic extraction of features and classification by modelling data through multiple processing layers that aren't linear.

When it comes to using deep learning to classify images, the Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs) are the most popular and favourite models. This is because they provide high accuracy and impressive results when compared to other models. It was made for two-dimensional data, such as images and videos, and can be used with them. The first CNN model was proposed in the late 1990s, and its basic idea is based on how humans see and recognise things. Of these, the best-known is the LeNet architecture that was used to read zip codes, digits, and other things from phones.



This paper talks about how we used transfer learning and multi-label problem transformation methods to help us solve the problem of detecting thoracic diseases from chest X-ray images. The main idea is to use a pre-trained CNN to find important features in CXRs and then use multi-label problem transformation methods to turn the multi-label problem into a single-label classification.

## II. LITERATURE REVIEW

In this paper, authors propose a novel multi-atlas DLP method for brain parcellation. Our method is based on fully convolutional networks (FCN) and squeeze-and-excitation (SE) modules. It can automatically and adaptively select features from the most relevant brain atlases to guide parcellation. Moreover, our method is trained via a generative adversarial network (GAN), where a convolutional neural network (CNN) with multi-scale L1 loss is used as the discriminator. Benefiting from brain atlases, our method outperforms MAP and state-of-the-art DLP methods on two public image datasets (LPBA40 and NIREP-NA0) [1].

In this study, authors claim that skip connections are not sufficient to reliably find hazy borders in medical images. A novel encoder-decoder network with multiple scales of dense connections (HMEDN) is therefore proposed in order to finely exploit semantic information at multiple scales with high precision. Besides skip connections, high-resolution high-depth supervised pathways (composed of densely linked dilated convolutions) are combined to capture high-resolution semantic information for precise localisation of boundary boundaries (see figure). A cross-entropy loss function and a contour regression task are used in conjunction with these routes to improve border detection quality [2].

Using a new Hidden Markov Random Field (HMRF) model and a new hybrid metaheuristic method based on Cuckoo search (CS) and Particle swarm optimization algorithms, authors present a new segmentation method (PSO). The new model employs adaptive parameters to ensure that the model's segmented components are balanced. In addition, the hybrid metaheuristic algorithm is implemented to increase the quality of seeking solutions in the MAP estimate of the HMRF model [3].

To begin, authors offer a deep regression model that utilises the correlations in the intermediate semantic layer of word vectors to accurately predict labels for the visual features. Authors then use Ranking SVM to find the only multi-label correlations in the embedding space and formulate the label prediction problem as a pairwise problem. A multi-label zero-shot prediction strategy based on the testing data manifold structure is also shown [4].

It is possible to identify and locate disease at the same time using the same underlying model for all photos. Using both class information and limited location annotation, our technique beats the comparable reference baseline in both classification and localization tests [5].

A three-branch attention-guided convolution neural network (AG-CNN) that combines global and local information is what authors propose to use to identify disorders of the chest. The global branch can benefit from an attention-guided mask inference-based cropping method that reduces noise and improves alignment. While local branch cues may have been lost, AG-CNN also uses global cues to compensate for them. Images from throughout the world are used to teach us about CNN's global branch. Authors next infer a mask to clip a discriminative region from the global image using the attention heatmap provided by the global branch. A local CNN branch receives training in the surrounding area. Final pooling layers of both global and local branches are combined to fine-tune the fusion branch [6].

"ChestX-ray8" contains 108,948 images of frontal chest X-rays from 32,717 distinct patients with text mined eight illness image labels (where each image might have multiple labels) from the corresponding radiological reports, which authors describe in this study as a novel chest X-ray database. Using suggested dataset, authors demonstrate that a unified weakly supervised multi-label image classification and disease localization framework can detect and even locate these prevalent thoracic disorders [7].

Category-wise residual attention learning (CRAL) is a methodology proposed by the authors in this research to address the aforementioned issue. A class-specific attentive interpretation of CRAL predicts numerous diseases. Endowing feature representations with minimal weights tries to reduce the impact of irrelevant classes. In addition, the weights assigned to the most important traits would be increased. It is made up of two modules: the feature embedding module and the attention learning module. Features are learned using a convolutional neural network (CNN) in the feature embedding module while attention learning is focused on discovering how different categories are assigned [8].

It is proposed in this paper that a new hybrid fusion network, referred to as Hi-Net, can be used to synthesise multi-modal magnetic resonance imaging (MR) images by learning an image mapping from multi-modal source data, which





includes both existing and previously unidentified modalities of imaging data. Authors use a modality-specific network to learn representations for each modality, and a fusion network to learn the common latent representation of multi-modal input in our Hi-Net model. Using a multi-modal synthesis network, the latent representation is combined with hierarchical characteristics from each modality and used as a generator to produce the target images. To make use of the correlations between various modalities, a Mixed Fusion Block (MFB) is developed to adaptively weight alternative fusion procedures [9].

In this study, Authors developed and validated a deep learning algorithm that classified clinically important abnormalities in chest radiographs at a performance level comparable to practicing radiologists. Once tested prospectively in clinical settings, the algorithm could have the potential to expand patient access to chest radiograph diagnostics [10].

### III. OPEN ISSUES

Lot of work has been done in this field because of its extensive usage and applications. In this section, some of the approaches which have been implemented to achieve the same purpose are mentioned. These works are majorly differentiated by the techniques for Thorax disease classification systems.

The thorax, or chest, is also called the upper part of the trunk. Mostly, the rib cage, spine, and shoulder girdle keep it safe. The rib cage is made up of the lungs, heart, and mediastinum organs, which all work together to feed, breathe, and pump blood to all parts of the body. The rib cage is made up of the lungs, heart, and mediastinum organs.

- Low detection accuracy.

### IV. CONCLUSION

Here, we show how to use the power of NNs and supervised multi-label classifiers to solve the problem of thorax disease detection on CXRs. This new method combines these two things. DenseNet-121 was used as a feature extractor and different problem transformation methods, like BR, LP, and CC, have been used to solve the problem in different ways. On the ChestX-ray14 dataset, our method did a great job and was better than what's already out there.

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