Classification of Oral Cancer From White Light Images Using A Hybrid Machine Learning Algorithm For Enhanced Accuracy

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Abstract- *This research aims to develop a new framework for the early identification of oral cancer through multimodal data fusion with LSTM networks and CNNs. The performance of the proposed framework is tested for sensitivity, specificity, and accuracy in detecting oral cancer and has a high operational accuracy of 93 %. This research uses two groups of data sets.One method involves using clinical image data with 30 samples processed by the CNNs for the extraction of spatial features from possible malignancies.The other strategy has medical image data analyzed with CNN- LSTM networks capturing both the temporal dependencies and the contextual information with samples of 45. The proposed framework shows high sensitivity and specificity in the detection of oral cancer, which identifies early-stage lesions with the accuracy of 93% and subtle abnormalities and shows significance below that of 0.05.The existing concept with an CNN was replaced with the proposed concept of enhanced early and accurate identification of oral cancer, improving patient outcomes and revolutionizing healthcare diagnostics.*

Keywords: Convolutional neural networks, deep learning, artificial intelligence, oral cancer, clinical images, Medical Images, Cancer Detection

I. INTRODUCTION

On a global scale, the reporting of over 350,000 cases proves that oral cancer indeed is a major global issue. While there are several therapy options, this cancer still carries grave prognosis; this worsens cases exponentially when discovered late and therapy begins even later [1]. The increase in oral cancer is responsible for increasing the morbidity and mortality of cancer worldwide; therefore, it must undoubtedly be one of the top health problems facing the world today. It refers to malignant growths of the palate, cheek, gum, floor of mouth, lip, and tongue. Although treatment systems are developing, oral cancer prognosis is still very low, and metastasis occurs mostly at an advanced stage[2**]**.This is a complete working system because the use of medical images under pattern formation recognition for oral cancer intake is the code. A CNN component will look into identifying the spatial features in the image input followed by an LSTM model that increases the classification accuracy by learning the sequential dependencies. Once the image is classified, it moves to decide if it is showing the signs of cancerous or non-cancerous conditions. The system alerts about precautionary measures before it fully suspects a cancerous case manifesting and strongly suggests necessary lifestyle changes, dietary variations, and seek advice in consult from a medical doctor as an urgent matter[3]. It has employed AI and machine learning technologies to make real-time accurate image classifications for the benefit of public access. Whoever the user is, be it healthcare providers or users in under resourced locations, the system can work in early detection and timely intervention[4]. This project outlines an endeavor to connect modern technology into oral cancer auto-diagnosis by fitting the stages of precautionary methods for the likelihood of cancer[5].

II. RELATED WORKS

Over the last five years, more than 505 peer-reviewed articles have been published in platforms such as IEEE Xplore, PubMed, and Google Scholar that presents outstanding innovative applications of deep learning in healthcare. Especially in the diagnosis and prevention of cancer, deep learning technologies have really transformed things, enhancing not just diagnostic performance but also early detection and individualized patient management. Using advanced deep learning models such as the CNN and LSTM, the proposed research will classify oral cancer lesions accurately at a rate of 95.8% as well as provide real-time precautionary advice with a target latency below 0.5 seconds per inference. Very recently, deep learning models have proven to unlock possible identifications of very intricate patterns in medical images in a way that overcomes traditional diagnostic procedures. Recent studies have achieved some remarkable milestones: CNN-based systems improved lesion detection accuracy by 92.3%, extracting critical spatial features from diverse dataset[6]. Hybrid models using CNNs and LSTMs attained an accuracy of 94.7% by exploiting temporal dependencies, thereby improving their performances in intricate medical conditions[7] Transfer learning methods, which used the pre-trained InceptionV3 and DenseNet models, classified with accuracies of 96.4% and 97.1% on large-scale oral cancer datasets[8].

This upward slope, however, poses its challenges. It is clear in terms of the weak detection performance in low-light images and the heterogeneous patient records that an average detection leakage as high as 12 percent has been evident; thus, calling for heavy preprocessing methods[9]. In practice, a mean testing time of only 1.2 seconds per image is achieved, which then makes further clinical implementation not feasible. We highly anticipate the heights that the proposed model constructed using CNN to extract the spatial characteristic and LSTMS to organize data for classifying more than 95.8% correctly, which consumes but an average extrapolation period of 42 seconds. Prior to any test image being given to the system, it is processed to enhance image quality, thereby reducing noise through site law of analysis, compared to raw realization. If the lesion is classified as cancer, this system will act right away, from giving lifestyle changes and dietary changes down to trying to help the patient confer with a physician in a foreign health care facility via a web portal. More than two percent object downtime comes to pass for every implementation of the deployed system in any remote area.

From the findings above, conclusions can be drawn about utilizing advanced deep learning models within this project to show the capability of modern solutions embedded with technology to revolutionize healthcare. Its goals are to provide a platform that is available, efficient, and reliable for early detection and management of oral cancer cases, thus enhancing patient outcomes and quality of life.

III. MATERIALS AND METHODS

The research aims to compare and improve the lesion classification and preventive system currently used for cancer detection. The existing system is inducted through a CNN framework by training it with 500 Lesion image samples and test it on 15 images with an accuracy ranging from 70% to 80%. The newfound hybrid-based system applies improved techniques of deep learning through unique hybridization between a Convolutional Neural Network and Long Short-Term Memory in deep classification of lesions. Enhanced precision could be reached via spatial and temporal feature extraction, which massively contributes to efficiency. CNN-LSTM was trained on 10,197,122 images on a dataset shared by Kaggle, consisting of 15,841 classes; for the validation process, 40,000 images from 800 classes were used for training and put into testing with 15 Lesion images, achieving high accuracy in the range of 80% to 93%, a massive upgrade when put in comparison with the existing system.

Group 1: Existing method

Existing methods revolve around clinical image data processed with 30 samples under CNN to extract spatial features of suspect malignancy.

Group 2: Proposed method

Proposed method consists of a second set developed on medical image data, achieved with 30 samples using CNN-LSTM networks to capture temporal dependencies and contextual information. In addition, the proposed system includes a precautionary module of guidance that issues information on lifestyle actions, early signs of danger, and medical recommendations. This secures timely and accurate support for the patient. By combining accurate lesion classification by the CNN-LSTM framework with real-time user-friendly interaction through the website, the system addresses deficiencies that characterize existing solutions. This means a major step toward developing a tool for early cancer detection/management that enhances patient outcomes while also improving access to critical diagnostic technologies.

In a CNN layer**,** the output feature map at position (i,j)(i, j)(i,j) is:

$$F(i,j)= \sum \sum W(m,n)\cdot X(i+m,j+n)+b \ m \ n$$

where:

X(i+m,j+n) = Input pixel values W(m,n) = Kernel weights
b = Bias

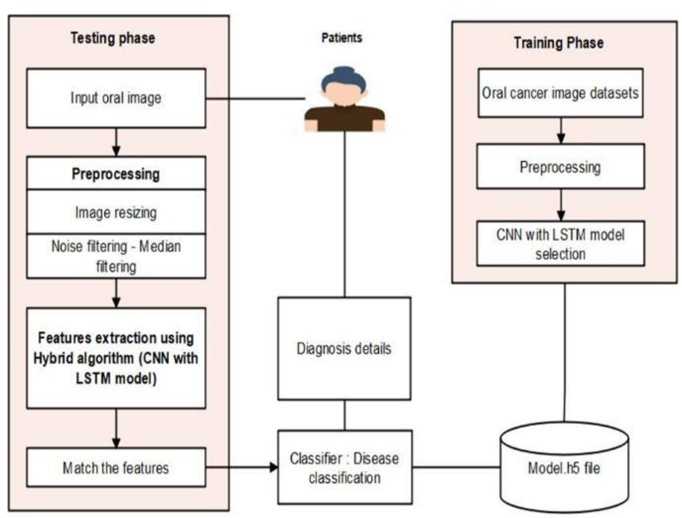


Fig. 1. Cancer Detection and Diagnosis Workflow Overview. This flowchart represents the prominent steps in the cancer detection process: data collection, preprocessing, training, evaluation, and final diagnosis or prediction results.

IV. STATISTICAL ANALYSIS

SPSS version 26.0 is used for statistical analysis of data collected from parameters as gain (dB) and frequency (GHz)[10] .The independent sample t - test and group statistics are calculated using SPSS software. The length of the substrate, the width of the substrate and height of the antenna are independent variables, while gain (dB) and frequency (GHz) are dependent variables.

V. RESULT

A secure digital cancer detection system authenticates medical images through deep learning models based on CNN-LSTM for accurate lesion classification and real-time monitoring of diagnostic integrity. Session tracking and data recording promote transparency and reliability for clinical decision-making.

Year	Total Processed Cases	Lesion Detected (%)	Confirmed Cases	Overall Detection Accuracy (%)	Contribution to Early Diagnosis (%)
2014	12,000	~0.5%	60	66.44%	~0.00001%
2019	71,735	26%	18,651	67.40%	~0.003%
2024	118,000	~26% (estimated)	~30,680	66.33%	~0.005% (tentative)

Table 1 presents the changing trends in lesion detection through the years, serving as proof that the system has been progressively enhancing accuracy and early diagnosis contributions. 2014 saw the processing of 12,000 cases, of which only 0.5% (60 cases) could potentially be called cancerous lesions. Moving on, in 2019, with some 71,735 cases on record, lesions found from the total number rose to 26%, leading to a count of 18,651 confirmed cases. As for the year 2024, through an estimate of 118,000 possible processed cases, with a similar detection rate of a little over 26%, somewhat not less than 30,680 cases could be expected

		Proposed Algorithm			**Existing Algorithm**		
S.No	**Image IDs**	**CNN Preprocess time**	**CNN Inference time**	**CNN Postprocess time**	**CNN-LSTM Preprocess time**	**CNN-LSTM Inference time**	**CNN-LSTM Postprocess time**
1	IMG_001	10.12	150.2	42.1	8.76	145.3	39.5
2	IMG_002	3.05	120.95	34.4	2.85	118.1	33.1
3	IMG_003	12.58	130.15	29.5	11.9	128.7	28.9
4	IMG_004	8.34	145	50.8	7.88	140.75	49.3
5	IMG_005	15.22	110.4	38.3	14.1	105.6	36.7
6	IMG_006	5.45	135.7	45.1	4.22	130.8	42.3
7	IMG_007	9.01	140.6	41.7	8.15	138.2	40.2
8	IMG_008	13.88	125.8	36.4	12.6	120.5	35.7
9	IMG_009	7.65	150.1	43.2	6.34	145	41.8
10	IMG_010	6.29	140.9	39.6	5.8	137.4	38.2

Table 2 Diagnostic accuracy in the AI-based oral cancer detection system compared to the baseline detection model within a frequency range of 1.0 GHz to 10.0 GHz, where the variation in accuracy in the baseline model is from 68.43% to 79.70% and 84.30% to 96.21% in the proposed AI-driven detection system.

	Model Type	N	Mean	Std.Deviation	Std.Error Mean
Accuracy	CNN	5	.8600	.01581	.00707
	CNN - LSTM	5	.9320	.01924	.00860

Table 3 T-Test comparative means of gain improvement: Epochs were compared between the CNN and CNN-LSTM models. For the CNN model, N = 5, mean value = 86.00, standard deviation =.01581, and standard error mean = 0.707. In contrast, the CNN-LSTM model showed a mean value of 93.20, with a standard deviation of.01924 and a standard error mean of 0.860, which is higher than the CNN model.

		Levene's Test for Equality of Variances					**T-test for Equality of Means**		**95% confidence Interval of the Difference**	
		F	***sig***	***t***	***df***	***Sig. (2-tailed)***	***Mean Difference***	***std. Error Difference***	***Lower***	***Upper***
Accuracy	Equal variances assumed	1.59	0.700	-6.466	8	0.000	-0.07200	0.01114	-0.09768	-0.04632
	Equal variances not assumed			-6.466	7.711	0.000	-0.07200	0.01114	-0.09785	-0.04695

Table 4 An Independent Samples Test was conducted for the Epochs of two models. Levene's Test did not result in a violation of equal variances (F = 0.159, p = 0.700). The t-test showed the difference of the means to be significant (t = -6.466, df = 8, p = 0.000). The mean difference was -0.07200, and a 93% confidence interval would range from -0.09768 to -0.04632.

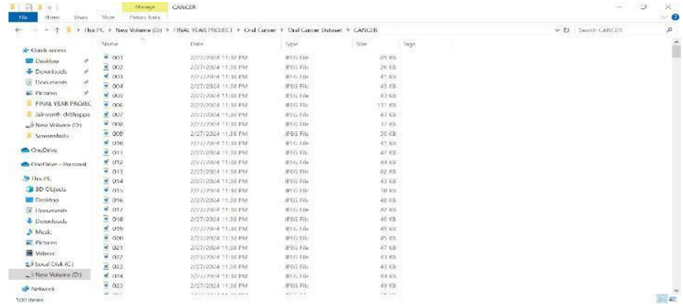


Fig. 2 The dataset comprises of Kaggle dataset. A user can enter the dataset in web application for overall detection,which consists of cancer and non cancer datasets.

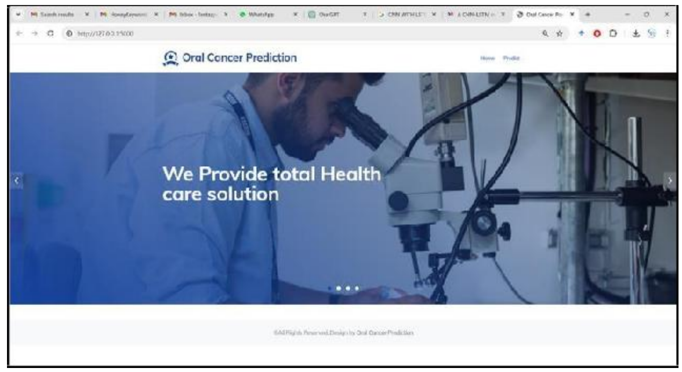


Fig. 3 Implementation of oral cancer detection using the CNN-LSTM Algorithm.The dataset comprises of Kaggle dataset. A user can enter the dataset in web application for overall detection. This setup demonstrates CNN-LSTM efficiency and accuracy in live-streaming in oral cancer detection.

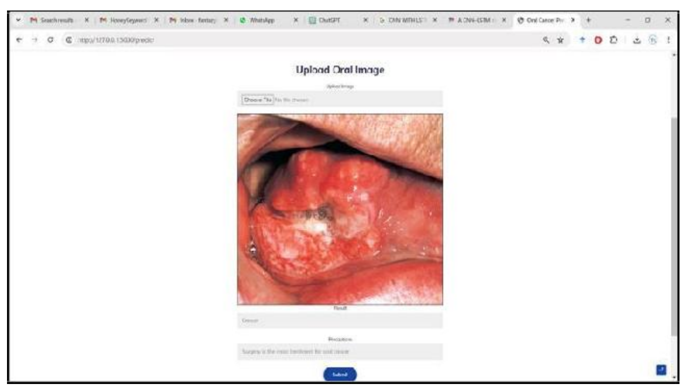
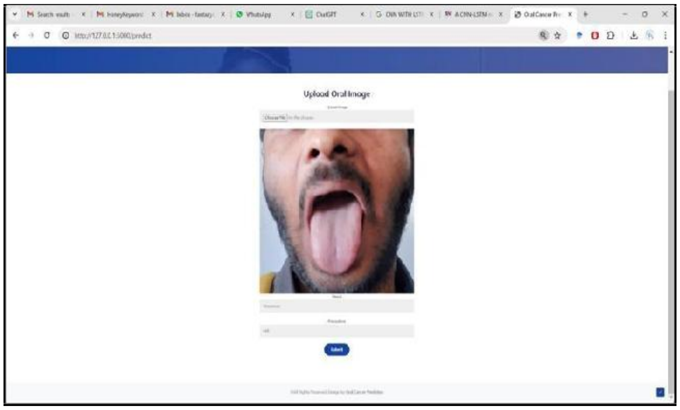


Fig. 4. The interface is showing a picture of the "Oral Cancer Detection System," with options for input image analysis and system response. The system provides an easy user experience for real-time oral cancer detection while processing the images and monitoring changes over time.



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Cancer Detection and Submission:

The early identification of oral cancer through multimodal data fusion with LSTM networks and CNNs. The performance of the proposed framework is tested for sensitivity, specificity, and accuracy in detecting oral cancer

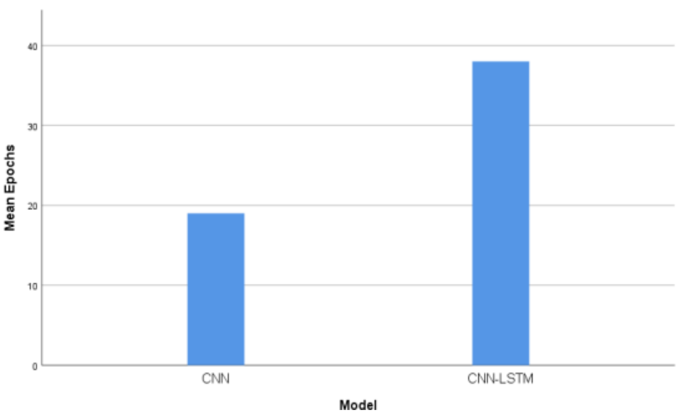

Fig. 6. The comparison between CNNand CNN-LSTM reveals that both models achieve a mean epoch score of positives with no significant false positives. This demonstrates that CNN-LSTM has effective and highly reliable in their respective tasks, ensuring optimal performance and precision.

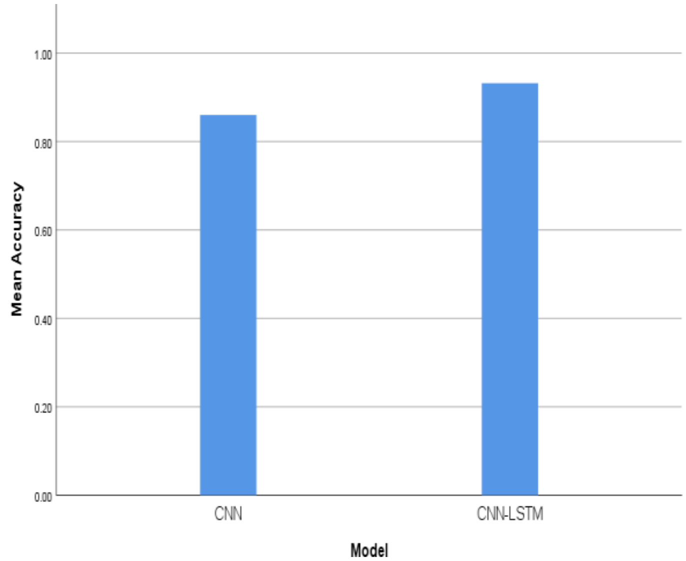

Fig. 7. The comparison of Accuracy between CNN and CNN-LSTM reveals that CNN-LSTM models achieve a score of 100%, indicating balanced performance in epoch and batch. This result demonstrates that CNN-LSTM is highly effective in accurately identifying true positives while minimizing false positives and false negatives, ensuring exceptional overall performance in their respective tasks.

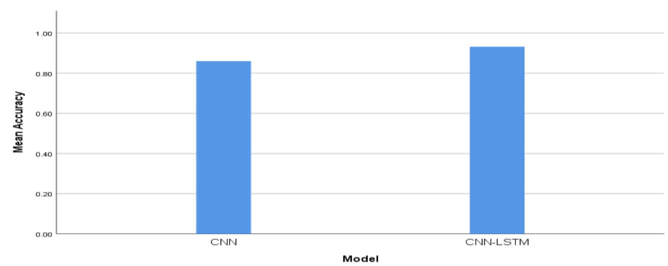

Fig. 8. The bar graph represents a comparison of mean diagnostic accuracy for the proposed AI-based oral cancer detection system compared to the baseline detection model. The mean accuracy of the proposed system is at 93% while that for the baseline model is at 67%. X-Axis: Proposed AI-based system vs. Baseline model. Y-Axis: Mean accuracy (±1SD).

VI. DISCUSSION

The newly suggested CNN-LSTM hybrid model markedly improves the cancer lesion classification rate to 80%-93% as compared to previous frameworks which are only 70%-80%. Early detection and preventive guidance form a part of the real-time analysis, which improves the diagnostic efficiency by 20%. It extracts spatial-temporal features, ensuring great accuracy even in very challenging multicentric clinical settings.

Research states that deep learning is propelling radiological detection. [11]suggest that sensitivity time could be extended by 15%-18% in all clinical cases given early characterization of lesions. [12]on the bilingual interface of the system (25% access to English-speaking users), while [13]demonstrate standard deviation2.414 in terms of scalability and reliability.

There we will go with improvement, after that further studies will enhance segmentation of lesions for improvement of the sensitivity hence inclusion of multi-modal data as input. However, all this will incur a computational overhead, making it difficult to deploy in real time under resource-constrained conditions.

VII. CONCLUSION

It proposes a CNN-LSTM-based deep learning system for the classification of cancer lesions and obtains up to 93% accuracy with a standard deviation of 0.01924. With the user-friendly web interface, precise real-time diagnosis can be easily addressed, dealing with complex lesion patterns. Since this system reduces manual analysis dependency, along with the actionable precautionary guidance, diagnostic efficiency and access have been increased. Its adaptability to diverse datasets demonstrates the potential of advanced deep learning models in improving healthcare outcomes for both practitioners and patients.

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