

Intelligent recognition of colorectal cancer combining application of computer-assisted diagnosis with deep learning approaches

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ABSTRACT

The malignancy of the colorectal testing methods has been exposed triumph to decrease the occurrence and death rate; this cancer is the relatively sluggish rising and has an extremely peculiar to develop the premalignant lesions. Now, many patients are not going to colorectal cancer screening, and people who do, are able to diagnose existing tests and screening methods. The most important concept of this motivation for this research idea is to evaluate the recognized data from the immediately available colorectal cancer screening methods. The data provided to laboratory technologists is important in the formulation of appropriate recommendations that will reduce colorectal cancer. With all standard colon cancer tests can be recognized agitatedly, the treatment of colorectal cancer is more efficient. The intelligent computer assisted diagnosis (CAD) is the most powerful technique for recognition of colorectal cancer in recent advances. It is a lot to reduce the level of interference nature has contributed considerably to the advancement of the quality of cancer treatment. To enhance diagnostic accuracy intelligent CAD has a research always active, ongoing with the deep learning and machine learning approaches with the associated convolutional neural network (CNN) scheme.

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1. INTRODUCTION

Colorectal cancer (CRC) is the most ubiquitous type of gastrointestinal (GI) malignancy. Different people in our world are going to be struggling with this cancer. This kind of cancer has taken a third place where people can be a cause of malignancy around the world. At the spot of death rate in adult males, this colorectal cancer is the third leading source around the globe, in this case, first and second places of risk dominating by prostate cancer and lung cancers. At the stage of death rate in women, this colorectal cancer is the second leading source around the globe, the first death risk dominating by the breast cancer.

Comparing with the world population, India is the second highest population among the world, but India has a low incidence rate of CRC, it has been calculated since last five years reports it has been 87 per 100,000 populations. Due to culture and differences in eating patterns, lifestyles are an indicator of being in control of the low incidence of CRC among developing countries. All over the world, the most important

things to happen about CRC's incidence with obesity, which could be a risk issue for CRC. Among the elderly, youth also get evidence of increased CRC incidence. In India, 7.45% of youth was impacted by CRC. Among the global population, about 21% of the population could be affected by this CRC. Over the last 50 years, CRC has been targeting people around the world. Nowadays it is producing plenty of problems for people who are holding out in the western states are recognized like their lifestyle factors like obesity, smoking, drinking and dietary aspects. In the 2020, there will be approximately 18,000 (12%) of cases relate to colorectal cancer diagnosed in our population, according to Global Burden of Cancer (GLOBOCAN) statistics [1], in 2020 around the world 1931590 cases and in India 65,358 cases new colorectal cancer. In India, 4.9% of observed cases occurred [2]. The estimated range of recent colorectal cancer cases worldwide and in India as shown in Figure 1 and Figure 2.

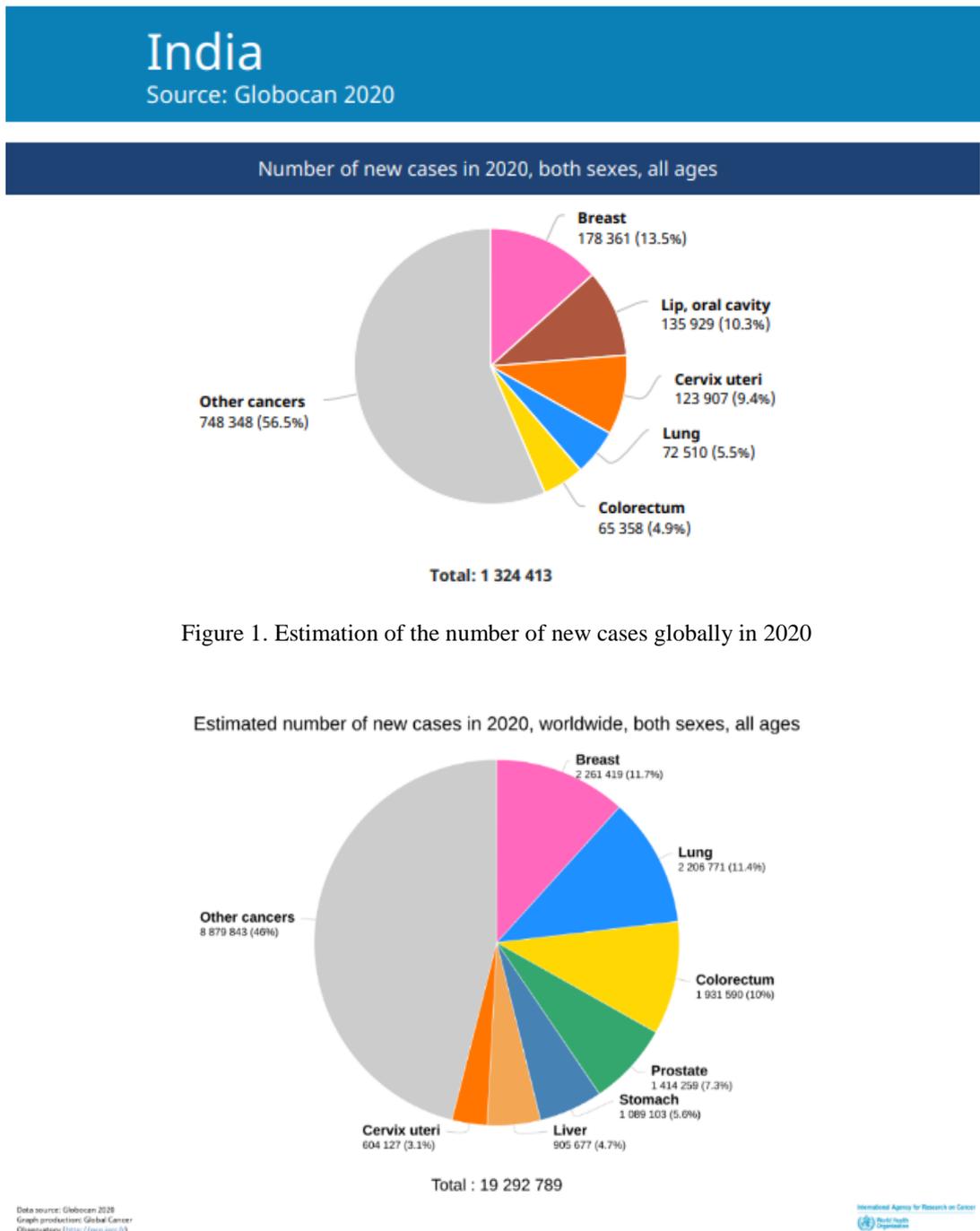


Figure 2. Estimated number of new occurrences in India in 2020

2. CURRENT PROCEDURES FOR THE IDENTIFICATION OF COLORECTAL CANCER

2.1. Large intestine and colon

The large intestine is the major part of your digestive system. It sustains a physical process of the body food; the body does not use it, which becomes the waste. The colon prevails in the human intestine. It discharges into the part of the body, wherever a waste accumulates such as stool. The rectum is discharged into the anus, where the actions of the intestine leave the body. It is currently possible to get totally different means of screening for cancer of the large intestine in the world. The available screening methods are followed as:

2.1.1. Sigmoidoscopy

A flexible sigmoidoscopy uses a versatile luminous tube that is placed in the lower colon and rectum to visualize the tumor, the types of cancer abnormalities [3]. Throughout this practice, a physician will dispose of tumor tissue types for further examination. The testing process given permission to the eradication of tumors, and could be stopped colorectal cancer. However, if tumors are found and present in sigmoidoscopy is the best suggestion is colonoscopy throughout the colon?

2.1.2. Colonoscopy

A colonoscopy lets the doctor appear in the intestine and rectum despite the numbness of a patient. A soft, enlightened tube known as the "colonoscope" is placed in the rectal area and thus the entire colon to appear for the malignant tumor [4]. Throughout this procedure, a doctor is going to eradicate the tumors or different tissues for the testing process. Removal of tumors can also stop the colon and rectal malignancy.

2.1.3. Wireless capsule endoscopy

Wireless capsule endoscopy may even help with a tiny camera to capture images of a patient's internal colon [5]. A wireless capsule endoscopic camera is supported with a capsule the size of a vitamin to swallow. Because of the passage of the capsule into the channel, the camera captures a large number of images which are transmitted to a patient recorder lowering a belt around the waist.

2.1.4. Computed tomography (CT) scan

Computed tomography scans usually known as virtual endoscopy can be an exploratory test technique [4]. It requires explanation by a talented expert to produce the simplest outcomes. An expert might be a doctor focusing on getting and deciphering medical photos. Regular colonoscopy is a risk because of anaesthesia, if a person includes a block in the large bowel that ends a comprehensive examination.

2.1.5. Magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) scans

As with CT scans, magnetic resonant imaging (MRI) shows exhaustive images of sensitive tissues in the body [6]. But magnetic resonance imaging uses strong radio waves and magnets instead of X-rays. A contrast medium known as metal could also be injected into a vein before the scan to get clear photos. Magnetic resonance imaging is often not to investigate abnormal regions in the liver or brain and spinal cord which would be cancer are taking place.

2.1.6. Fecal occult blood tests

A fecal occult blood test found blood in the stool that could be a cancer of strong symptoms or tumors in the colon 4. When a positive report is produced, a significant amount of blood is found in the stool. There will be causes other than bleeding from the colon in the stomach or higher gastrointestinal tract. We have two types of tests: guaiac (FOBT) and immunochemical (FIT). Tumors and malignancies do not bleed frequently, therefore FOBT should take numerous stool samples each year and may be recurrent each year. Yet this screening translates into a relatively small decline in colorectal cancer mortality.

2.1.7. Double contrast barium enema (DCBE)

Patients who have not taken the colonoscopy screening procedure may take the test with an enema containing barium [3]. Barium enema screening procedure facilitates the creation of the large intestinal area and rectal area differ on X-rays. It is followed by a series of radiographies of the colon and rectum. In general, physicians would recommend additional tests for barium enema outcomes. This is probably a smaller amount to see metastatic tumor polyps than endoscopy, flexible sigmoidoscopy, or CT colonoscopy.

2.1.8. DNA testing of feces

This stool DNA test analyses the deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA) of a stool sample from a patient to determine whether cancer exists [4]. It uses polymer modifications that take place in polyps and cancers to determine the need for an endoscopy.

3. DISCUSSION AMONGS THE IMAGING SCREENING MODALITIES

Colorectal cancer is thought to be appropriate for screening because of the progression of carcinoma. Which screening method is the best and perfect that the test should also be accepted by most individuals? The latter 1990s, there were on two screening methods for detecting tumors for malignancies, they are colonoscopy and DCBE. New approaches such as CT scanning and MRI colonoscopy have recently been introduced. Table 1 presents the pros and cons of these four methodologies [7].

Table 1. Comparative analysis for colonoscopy DCBE, CT scan, and MRI

Intervention possible	Yes	No	No	No
Colon ratio tested.	95%	95%	100%	100%
Cost	High	Low	High	High
Sedation required	Yes	No	No	No
Sensitivity to polyp detection <1 cm	75%	70%	40%	60%
Sensitivity to polyp detection >1 cm	90%	80%	93%	96%
Specificity to polyp and cancer detections	100%	95%	97%	99%
Risk	1:1000	1:25000	Undetermined	Undetermined

In this article, we discuss DCBE's sensitivity and specificity to colonoscopy. DCBE was 85% sensitive in detecting colon cancer. The sensitivity for the detection of tumors with a diameter of 1 cm or greater was 80% and the sensitivity for the detection of tumors less than 1 cm was 70. DCBE has a specificity of 95% for polyps and cancer. Colonoscopy sensitivity for colon cancer detection was 95%, sensitivity for tumors 1 cm or more was 90%, and sensitivity for tumors less than 1 cm was 75%. This study found that the sensitivity of colonoscopy is almost certainly no more than 10% higher than that of DCBE for cancer and 15% higher than that of DCBE. An optimistic feature of colonoscopy is the possibility of performing an instant procedure, such as biopsy, in the same subroutine. Sedation plays a positive role in patient acceptance.

It is also important to achieve high specificity for computed tomography and colonoscopy by MRI. Therefore, with this article on likely patients, more than 75% would have a preference for traditional colonoscopy. According to the report, the majority of patients prefer colonoscopy, as shown in Figure 3.

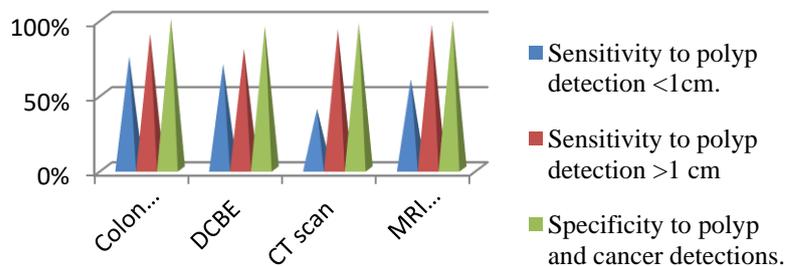


Figure 3. Statistical analysis of colonoscopy, DCBE, CT scan, and MRI

Finally, CT and MRI colonoscopy are new techniques in colon imaging that are comparable to conventional colonoscopy. However, these novel techniques for symptomatic patients only show results capable for tumor detection up to 1 cm in diameter. It is important to remember that in all research protocols, colonoscopy is strongly regarded as the characteristic criterion. This means that the other imaging modalities compared to colonoscopy will always be less preferable. The majority of patients were supportive of conventional colonoscopies. The intestinal cleansing diet is considered tedious, so from the point of view of patient acceptance, fecal marking techniques are promising. All these studies offer 100% accuracy from the conventional colonoscopy. This colonoscopy gives you lots of high-quality photos of discovering the disease.

4. COMPUTER ASSISTED DIAGNOSIS (CAD)

Prior to post-processing, input images should be evaluated for image quality and abnormalities using intelligent computer assisted diagnosis (CAD) [8]. In the detection of colorectal cancer, CAD is used. The block diagram for intelligent CAD [8] for detection of colorectal is shown in Figure 4.

The colonoscopy technique delivers multiple image numbers in the form of image data sets [9]. Remember that these source image data sets should be of the highest quality possible. The larger the input images, the easier it is to detect the difference in the qualities of the pre-processing images. Source images should be carefully examined for filling defects and, if required, to improve the lesions. The concept of the intelligent CAD system is explained in the following steps.

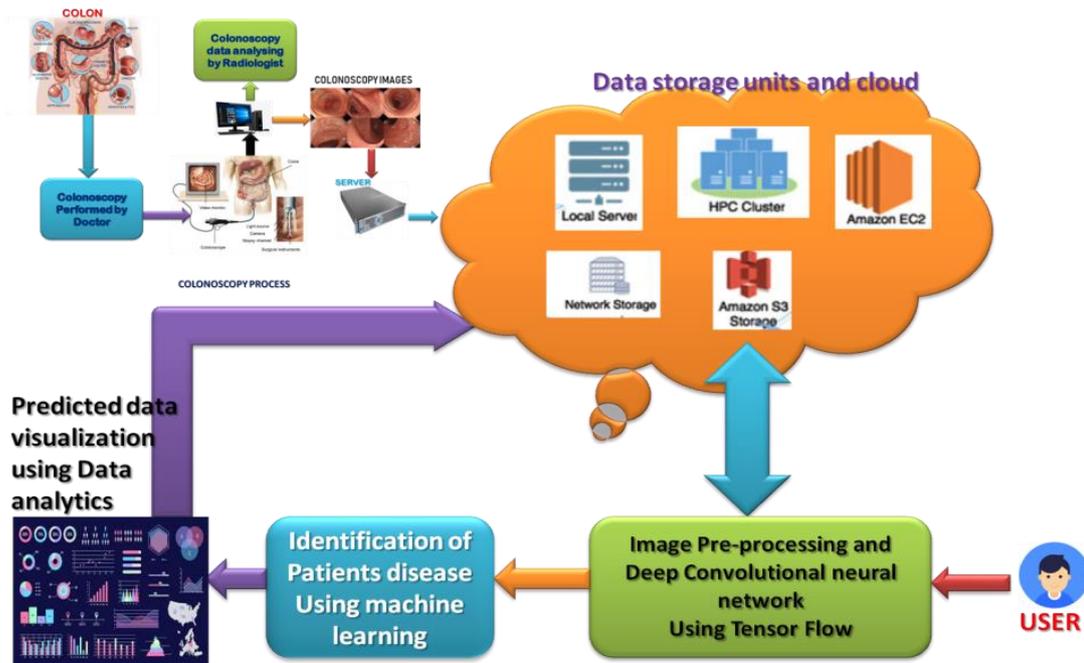


Figure 4. Block diagram for intelligent computer assisted diagnosis for detection of colorectal cancer

4.1. Large intestine

The large intestine has a length of approximately 1.5 meters, its main function is to absorb salts and water from the food consumed. It is not digestible food that can remain. The colon is the primary location of the large intestine; its real function is the absorption of salt and water. It can be divided into 4 parts: ascending colon, descending colon, sigmoid colon and rectal.

4.2. Colonoscopy

Colonoscopy is the screening method used to detect and identify tumors throughout the colon [10]. During this colonoscopy procedure, the doctor checks the abnormality for tumors. The physician checks throughout the colon with the camera fixed thin, light tube that is inserted in the starting point of the colon that is rectum. The camera generates the images that are monitored on the computer screen. After completion of the complete screening procedure, the computer gives the various sets of images captured by the camera from two full points. These images are available for detailed examination by the radiologist. The resulting images are then stored on the local server for upcoming references.

4.3. Data storage and cloud storage

Cloud storage [11], [12] is a critical component of this CAD. This enables you to analyse big data obtained from the date the image is stored from the local servers. Fast access to image data represents the data stored within the cloud. This is a very valuable and vital concept of cloud computing. As a result of a read and write operation, respectively, the amazon cloud system is the best choice for cloud storage.

The computing platform is the critical requirement for big data analytics. Hence, performing computational tasks, in parallel is to reduce the time with high performance calculations. Other GPUs and CPUs are introduced for parallel processing. Whereas Map reduce is primarily used by programmers for various calculation tasks for deep learning and machine learning techniques [13], [14]. Map reduce loads data back into memory from local servers and returns results from deep learning algorithms in imaging. The new methods implemented, could take advantage of the parallel processing capacities of a system.

4.4. Deep learning and machine learning steps

4.4.1. CNN trained to classify: architecture

While performing the computer aided diagnosis (CAD) it's tend to fuse with the short designate the elements of a CNN. This is jointly which means it will be used to performing the CNN for classification [15], [16]. A CNN looks amazingly close to the usual neural networks among the feeling of being created by neurons with their different weights, biases, and activation functions. More precisely, the layout is shaped by a sequence of convolutions and aggregation layers ending in a highly connected neural network, as shown in Figure 5.

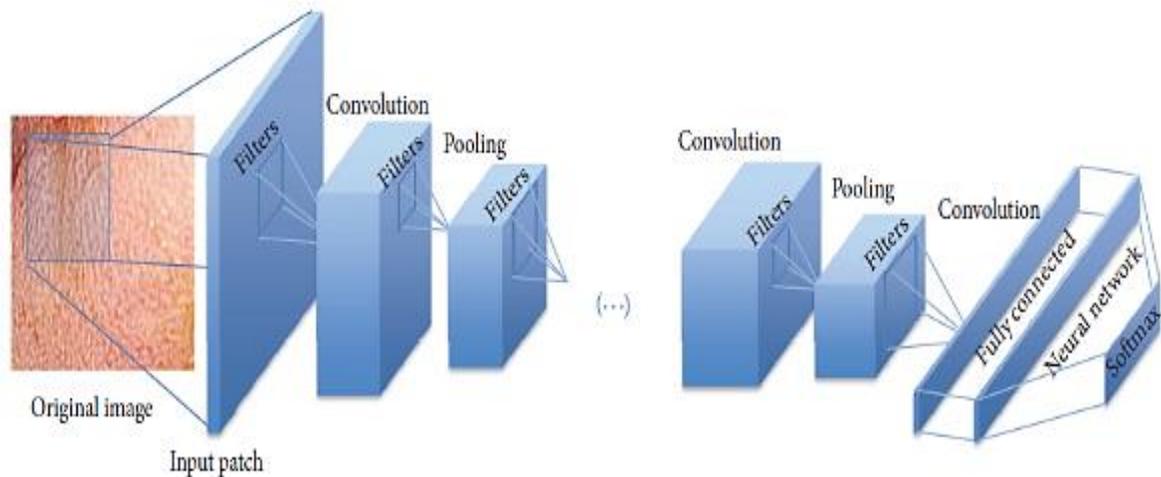


Figure 5. Image of the CNN architecture for the classification of colorectal tumors

The convolutional neural network (CNN) layout input is an image $m \times m \times d$ (or graph), that represents the input image dimension and d is that the diversity of channels that is also called as the depth of the image. The convolutional layer consists of k learnable filters (also noted as Kernels) with size $n \times n \times d$ where $n \leq m$ that area unit convolved with the input image leading to the alleged activation maps or feature maps. Like traditional artificial neural networks (ANN), the outputs of the convolution layer are a unit subject to the associated activation operate, for example, the rectifier (ReLU) operates on $f(x) = \max(0, x)$, irrespective of the neuronal input. Later than convolution, a pooling layer is integrated to subsample the image using pooling functions of medium (medium) or maximum on $p \times p$ regions. These functions are won't to scale back the spatial attribute of the information among the subsequent layers upper layers and to offer a way of invariability for conversion so production overfitting management. In this convolution and pooling layers, the step needs to be specified; the larger the step, the lesser the overlap, thereby reducing the size of the output quantity. At the best of the CNN there is a fully connected layer as a daily multilayer neural network with the softmax feature that makes a grammatical likelihood distribution on the outputs. Following supervised training, the CNN is prepared to be used as a classifier or the feature extractor among learning transfer cases.

The model shown in Figure 6 colonoscopy image segmentation represents pre-processing, feature extraction and training of CNN and support vector machine (SVM), testing and generation of segmentation results. It's a three-stage process [17]-[19]: i) CNN and Integrated SVM are trained to the resulting tumor, ii) the labelled input and test image are entered to integrate the SVM classifier, iii) the iterative step connects CNN with the integrated SVM. A comprehensive classification process applied to the processed image: i) CNN has classified the pixels into a key zone, generating a sort of pre-segmentation which will be sent to the integrated SVM classifier. This will generate the pre-segmentation region of interest (ROI) [20]-[22], ii) the integrated SVM explores the neighbourhoods of the CNN output. Use CNN to re-classify a marked ROI. Repeat the steps to refine the segmentation findings [23]-[25].

4.5. Visualization

Segmented [26] results of the colonoscopy image will be analyzed with the objective of identifying colorectal cancer. Using the different visualization techniques, the information is then stored in public or private cloud storage. This could be accessed by different users like patients and healthcare professionals.

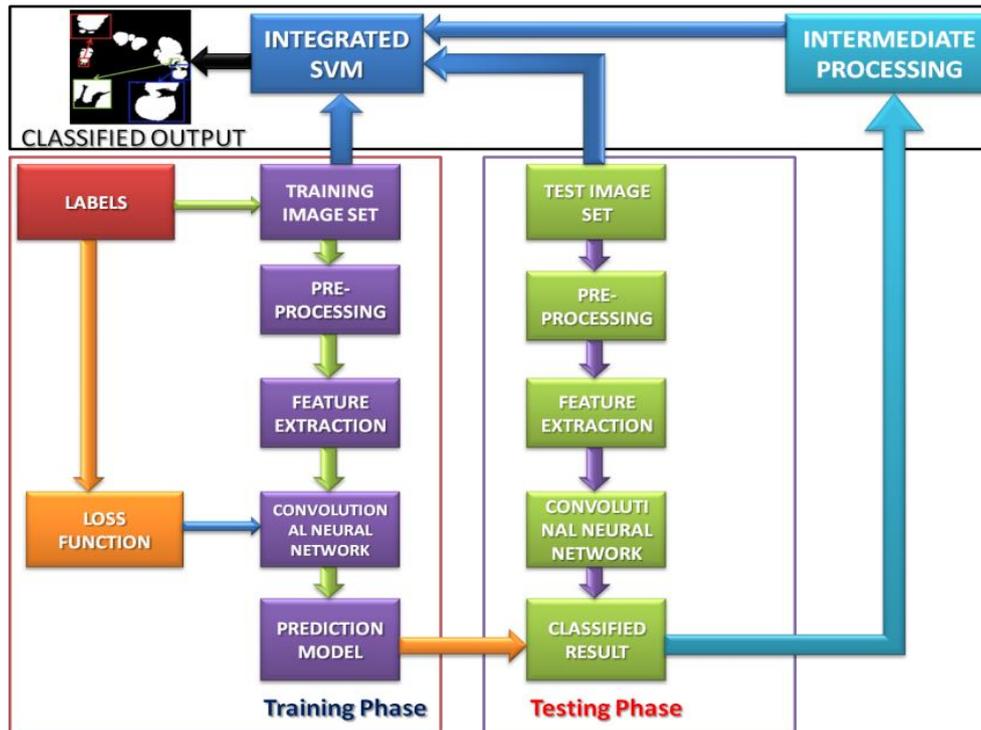


Figure 6. The deep learning and machine learning phases

5. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Cloud storage [11], [12] is a significant aspect of the CAD. This allows you to analyse the resulting big data from the date the image is stored from the local servers. Quick access to image data represents the data stored in the cloud. It is a very important and essential concept of cloud computing. Owing to a read and write operation, respectively, our existing personal google drive cloud system is the best choice for cloud storage for single set of data access. The computing platform is key to big data analysis. Thus, executing computational tasks, in parallel is to reduce the time with high performance calculations. Additional GPU and CPU are introduced for parallel processing.

5.1. Kvasir 2 dataset

In this experiment, the Kvasir 2 dataset was utilized, this dataset includes 8000 endoscopic gastrointestinal diseases and includes 8 different classes with 1000 images each. This data set consists of multiple sets of images in various categories including: i) anatomical references such as the z-line, pylorus and cerum, ii) pathologic results such as esophagitis, polyps and ulcerative colitis, iii) images with various resolutions between 720x526 and 1920x1072 pixels.

5.2. Network training

The set-up is based on Keras and the back-end is tensor flow. The training set serves to form the model and to learn the parameters. The validation set is used for optimizing and testing the model. During the machine training automatically adjust the learning rate and decide if early as a consequence to test the performance of a given training step.

We initialize the pre-trained weights of Resnet50 and use the stochastic gradient descent with a batch size of 201 and epochs of 50. The learning rate begins with 0.001 and is divided by 10. Their core models the convolutional neural networks of deep learning and transfers learning to deep learning. It is possible to reach 93 percent accuracy shown in Figure 7.

A confusion matrix is a technique used to synthesize the efficiency of a classification algorithm. The accuracy of classification uniquely can be spurious if we have an uneven number of observations in each class or if we have more than two classes in your data set. From this confusion matrix analysis the predicted accuracy is balanced accuracy: 0.912875 shown in confusion matrix Figure 8. In order to evaluate recognition performance of the Resnet50 algorithm the classification performance results ROC curves are shown in the Figure 9.

Training epochs includes

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201/201 [=====] - 191s 952ms/step - loss: 0.1786 - accuracy: 0.9327 - val_loss: 0.3013 - val_accuracy: 0.8819
Epoch 39/50
201/201 [=====] - 191s 950ms/step - loss: 0.1837 - accuracy: 0.9299 - val_loss: 0.3038 - val_accuracy: 0.8763
Epoch 40/50
201/201 [=====] - 191s 949ms/step - loss: 0.1841 - accuracy: 0.9333 - val_loss: 0.3032 - val_accuracy: 0.8781
Epoch 41/50
201/201 [=====] - 190s 946ms/step - loss: 0.1775 - accuracy: 0.9345 - val_loss: 0.3137 - val_accuracy: 0.8781
Epoch 42/50
201/201 [=====] - 192s 958ms/step - loss: 0.1795 - accuracy: 0.9311 - val_loss: 0.2981 - val_accuracy: 0.8813
Epoch 43/50
201/201 [=====] - 205s 1s/step - loss: 0.1781 - accuracy: 0.9319 - val_loss: 0.3103 - val_accuracy: 0.8763
Epoch 44/50
201/201 [=====] - 203s 1s/step - loss: 0.1798 - accuracy: 0.9316 - val_loss: 0.3171 - val_accuracy: 0.8656
Epoch 45/50
201/201 [=====] - 200s 996ms/step - loss: 0.1785 - accuracy: 0.9313 - val_loss: 0.3181 - val_accuracy: 0.8781
Epoch 46/50
201/201 [=====] - 210s 1s/step - loss: 0.1762 - accuracy: 0.9369 - val_loss: 0.3077 - val_accuracy: 0.8769
Epoch 47/50
201/201 [=====] - 194s 967ms/step - loss: 0.1821 - accuracy: 0.9311 - val_loss: 0.3086 - val_accuracy: 0.8694
Epoch 48/50
201/201 [=====] - 199s 990ms/step - loss: 0.1758 - accuracy: 0.9339 - val_loss: 0.2928 - val_accuracy: 0.8800
Epoch 49/50
201/201 [=====] - 199s 992ms/step - loss: 0.1725 - accuracy: 0.9347 - val_loss: 0.3035 - val_accuracy: 0.8775
Epoch 50/50
201/201 [=====] - 197s 983ms/step - loss: 0.1784 - accuracy: 0.9299 - val_loss: 0.3044 - val_accuracy: 0.8687
    
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Validation accuracy includes

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50/50 [=====] - 39s 787ms/step - loss: 0.3071 - accuracy: 0.8750
Valid loss: 0.3071361780166626
Valid acc: 0.875
    
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Figure 7. Training epochs and validation epochs

$$\begin{bmatrix}
 867 & 120 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 9 & 3 \\
 62 & 935 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\
 0 & 0 & 708 & 0 & 9 & 282 & 0 & 1 \\
 0 & 0 & 0 & 979 & 0 & 0 & 7 & 14 \\
 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 998 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\
 0 & 0 & 43 & 0 & 12 & 943 & 1 & 1 \\
 2 & 0 & 0 & 40 & 13 & 1 & 890 & 54 \\
 0 & 1 & 0 & 11 & 1 & 0 & 4 & 983
 \end{bmatrix}$$

Figure 8. Confusion matrix

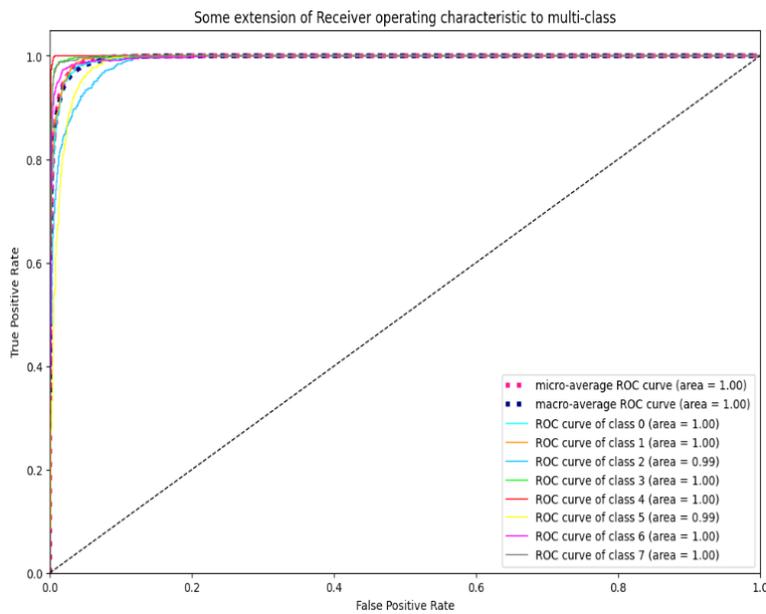


Figure 9. The ROC curve of different classification of Resnet50 algorithm

6. CONCLUSION

Colorectal cancer is the largest cause of disease and death worldwide. The rigor of a successful screening method will decrease the scale of the illness caused by colorectal cancer. A variety of currently available colorectal cancer screening modalities have acceptable levels of sensitivity. As a laboratory, physicians are our goal to provide clear information and convey it to physicians. The World Health Organization informs patients about the priority of colorectal cancer screening and health care decision making. The World Health Organization delivers cost-effective testing programs in our populations and lands. This paper reviews various colorectal cancer diagnosis and prognosis techniques. This study provides a research survey on colon polyp detection victimization, many totally different approaches to screening modalities. Discuss the importance and the benefit of the setup modality like colonoscopy and the associated CAD system. When emerging from the prevalence of tumors establish in the colon and rectum and analyse their computative options, it will be guaranteed that their customs and distinct forms have been a decent sign for detecting tumors. The diagnostic issue is that the goal of lesion recognition in patients with reduced false positives and will increase positive truth that will increase accuracy and specificity. Improvements are still needed in the CAD programs studied. The classification of tumors using the CNN is discussed and mention effectively. The most important thing is that there should be an independent domain that focuses on adjusting the parameters of those methodologies. Second, the cross validation methodology may well be employed In order to achieve further statistical significance, the results and help stop overloading and optimize the performance of the CAD system oversized information.

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