

# Skin Cancer Analysis and Detection

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**Abstract**—The aim of the project is to develop sophisticated machine learning model for analyzing and detecting the type of skin cancer using image analysis and classification technique. Both Inception v3 and RESNET50 were employed to learn from a dataset containing images of various skin cancers. This model getstrained by utilizing the data present in the dataset to achieve real-time performance in analyzing and classifying. This result in detecting the type of cancer based on the photo uploaded by the users. This enables the users to identify the type of skin cancer and results in early detection and also the model suggests some precaution steps.

**Keywords**—Image Analysis, RESNET50, inception v3, cancer classification and analysis.

## I. Introduction

The advancement of artificial intelligence has revolutionized in various industries, and also there is an improved efficiency and safety across various sectors. By using the artificial intelligence algorithms for industrial applications, especially in medical field, it addresses various challenges and optimizes the prediction accuracy and also reduces the time period. Skin diseases affect millions of people worldwide, leading to discomfort, disfigurement, and sometimes even serious health complications if left untreated. In most of the cases dermatologists are available in urban areas and also manual diagnosis by medical experts is both time-consuming and subjective. So to overcome this problem, our project provides an approach to use various computer vision based techniques like deep learning to find out the pattern and automatically predict the various kinds of skin cancers.

## II. RELATED WORKS

The system presented is divided into several processes. The system presented employs Inception v3 achieving an accuracy of 95% in detecting the skin which is widely used Convolutional Neural Network architecture designed for image recognition tasks. It employs a deeper network structure with optimized layers and more efficient convolutions to enhance performance and reduce computational cost. It has widely adopted for robust performance in various image classification challenges.

Also the system presented employs ResNet50

which achieves accuracy of 89% in classifying the skin cancer type. Residual Network with 50 layers, is a powerful deep learning architecture and it is a variant of ResNet model, which addresses the vanishing gradient problem in deep neural networks.

Skin cancer analysis and detection using these algorithms explores the application for skin classification and detection, providing methodologies for accurate identification of skin cancer type from the image provided by the user. It introduces a deep learning- based approach for detection.

It includes preprocessing techniques for images, offering insights into methods for enhancing image quality and removing noise. It reviews image preprocessing techniques specifically tailored for classifying the image, providing methodologies for preprocessing the images.

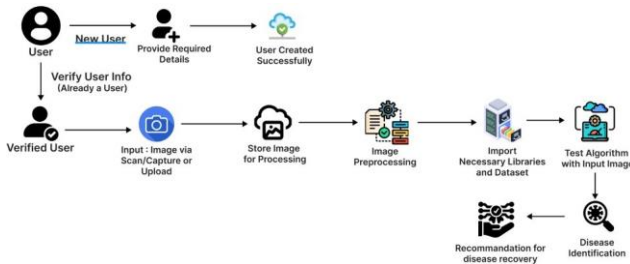
It provides an overview of image classification techniques, offering insights into methods for classifying images. It discusses image classification techniques for detecting the cancer type, providing methodologies for identifying disease symptoms in the images.

Summarizing all relevant work, identifying challenges such as model overfitting and poor test accuracy provides insights for developing a sophisticated machine learning system. The utilization of advanced algorithms and diverse datasets contributes to improving the accuracy of detection.

## III. PROPOSED SYSTEM

### A. System Flow Diagram

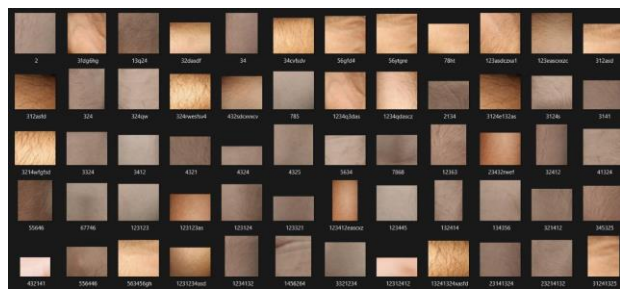
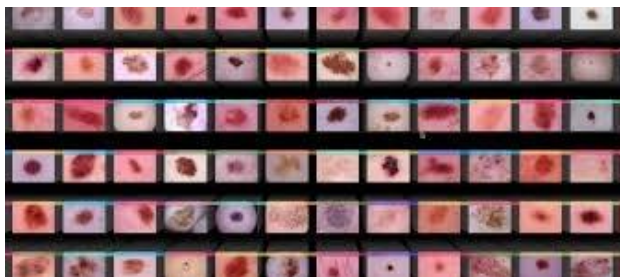
The system flow diagram of the skin cancer detection and analysis project encompasses a systematic flow of data processing, analysis, and presentation, leveraging machine learning models and image analysis techniques to detect and analyze the image accurately. The overall flow, illustrates the seamless progression from input data to the final prediction of cancer type, providing clarity on the functionality of each module within the proposed system. Furthermore, the system incorporates a userfriendly interface that displays the final prediction results, providing healthcare professionals with detailed insights and confidence scores for each diagnosis. This interface allows for easy interpretation of the results, supporting informed decision-making and prompt medical intervention.



The system flow diagram consists of user who interacts with the system through a Login and Registration process. Also the user can upload the image of the skin then the module that predicts the type of cancer and returns the details about the type of cancer and also provides some precaution steps. The system is designed to facilitate smooth communication secure Login and Registration modules, easy access and the system also ensures accurate prediction. And information through the Product Image captured.

## B. Dataset

For this system, we have used HAM10000 dataset, ensuring a balanced representation of all seven types of skin cancer. Collect additional images from the internet to represent non-cancerous skin conditions. Ensure the cancer images are accurately labelled according to their type (e.g., melanoma, nevus, etc.). Label the non-cancer images as "non-cancerous".



The dataset contains images of seven different types of cancer skins and normal skins. The dataset is divided into training, testing and validating sets, with 80 percent of the data to train, 10 percent to validate, and 10 percent to test.

## C. Image Capturing and Preprocessing

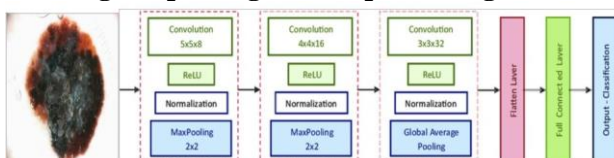


Image capturing and preprocessing are pivotal stages, essential for accurate classification. Capturing high-resolution images using digital cameras or smartphones is the initial step, followed by a series of preprocessing techniques to refine the image quality. These techniques include resizing, normalization, and noise reduction to standardize image characteristics and enhance analysis accuracy. Additionally, colour correction may be applied to eliminate biases, while image augmentation techniques such as rotation and flipping diversify the dataset for improved model generalization. Overall, image capturing and preprocessing ensure uniformity and clarity in input data, setting the stage for effective freshness assessment.

## D. Algorithm

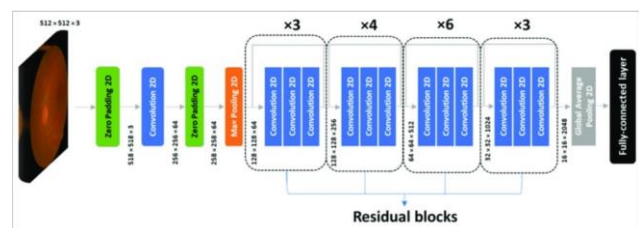
Input: Images captured by the system.

Output: Predicts the type of cancer.

Begin

- Step 1: Gather diverse, high-resolution images of the skin.
- Step 2: Resize, normalize, and apply noise reduction to standardize image quality and features.
- Step 3: Utilize inception v3 and ResNet50 to automatically extract relevant features from preprocessed images.
- Step 4: Train the models on extracted features to learn the skin patterns.
- Step 5: Assess model performance using validation data, employing metrics like accuracy and F1 score.
- Step 6: Deploy trained models to analyse and detect the type.
- Step 7: Predict the type of cancer and display its precautions.

## D. Learning Approach — ResNet50



1) **ResNet50:** ResNet50 is a deep convolutional neural network renowned for its efficacy in extracting features from images. It comprises multiple convolutional layers equipped with learnable filters that convolve over input images, detecting patterns and features at varying spatial scales. These layers progressively enhance the abstraction level of the learned features. A pivotal advancement in ResNet is the incorporation of residual connections, or skip connections, which circumvent one or more convolutional layers and directly channel input to deeper layers. These connections adeptly tackle the

vanishing gradient problem, enabling effective learning even in exceptionally deep networks. By leveraging residual connections, ResNet can acquire residual mappings, simplifying the optimization process for deeper networks.

During training, ResNet50 dynamically adjusts the parameters (weights and biases) of its convolutional layers and other components via backpropagation, a process that computes gradients of the loss function with respect to network parameters and updates them to minimize loss. Prior to feeding images into ResNet50 for training or inference, they typically undergo preprocessing steps to ensure compatibility. Images are resized to a fixed size aligning with ResNet50's input dimensions, ensuring uniformity across all images. Pixel values are then normalized to a specified range, often  $[0, 1]$  or  $[-1, 1]$ , which stabilizes the training process and enhances optimization efficiency. Optionally, data augmentation techniques may be employed to augment the diversity of training samples, including operations such as random rotations, flips, translations, and crops. Data augmentation enhances the model's resilience to variations and distortions in input images, thereby improving generalization performance.

By amalgamating convolutional layers with residual connections and employing appropriate preprocessing techniques, ResNet50 adeptly learns to process and extract features from images.

This makes it a potent tool for various computer vision tasks, including image classification, object detection, and segmentation. In the context of skin cancer classification, ResNet50 is employed to classify seven types of skin cancer using the HAM10000 dataset, namely Melanocytic nevi, Melanoma, Benign keratosis-like lesions, Basal cell carcinoma, Actinic keratoses, Vascular lesion, and Dermatofibroma.

2) **Inception v3:** Inception v3 comprises multiple convolutional layers responsible for extracting features from input images. These layers employ learnable filters to analyze the input images, detecting patterns and features at various spatial scales. Each subsequent layer typically abstracts higher-level features from the input. Inception v3 introduces inception modules, which consist of parallel convolutional layers with different kernel sizes. This architecture enables the network to capture features at multiple scales simultaneously, enhancing its ability to understand complex patterns in images.

During training, Inception v3 employs auxiliary classifiers to mitigate the vanishing gradient problem. These auxiliary classifiers are inserted at intermediate layers and help encourage the network to learn more discriminative features. This approach facilitates more stable and effective training of deep networks. Unlike ResNet, Inception v3 does not utilize residual connections. Instead, it relies on the inception modules and auxiliary classifiers to achieve efficient learning and feature extraction.

Before inputting images into Inception v3 for training or inference, several preprocessing steps are typically applied. Images are resized to a fixed size that

matches the input dimensions expected by Inception v3, ensuring consistency in input size across all images. Pixel values of the images are normalized to a certain range, often  $[0, 1]$  or  $[-1, 1]$ . Normalization helps stabilize the training process and makes optimization more efficient. Optionally, data augmentation techniques may be employed to increase the diversity of training samples. Operations such as random rotations, flips, translations, and crops are applied to augment the dataset. Data augmentation enhances the model's robustness to variations and distortions in the input images, improving its generalization performance.

By integrating convolutional layers with inception modules and auxiliary classifiers, and employing appropriate preprocessing techniques, Inception v3 effectively learns to process images, achieving high performance in various computer vision tasks such as image classification and object recognition.

Inception v3 is used for classifying whether a given skin image is cancerous or non-cancerous by using the HAM10000 dataset, which contains images of various types of skin cancer, and a normal skin dataset.

## F. Performance Evaluation

The method proposed in this work was evaluated and compared using standard metrics based on the results. These metrics can be defined as:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{precision} &= \frac{TP}{TP + FP} \\ \text{recall} &= \frac{TP}{TP + FN} \\ F1 &= \frac{2 \times \text{precision} \times \text{recall}}{\text{precision} + \text{recall}} \\ \text{accuracy} &= \frac{TP + TN}{TP + FN + TN + FP} \\ \text{specificity} &= \frac{TN}{TN + FP} \end{aligned}$$

- Accuracy is a metric in machine learning that measures the overall correctness of a model's predictions. A higher accuracy score indicates better performance, while a lower score suggests more errors.
- Precision refers to the degree of exactness or accuracy in measurements, calculations, or descriptions. It helps minimize errors and uncertainties, leading to more robust conclusions and outcomes.
- Recall measures the ratio of correctly identified positive cases to the total number of actual positive cases in the data. Recall is particularly important in tasks where identifying all relevant instances is critical.
- The F1 score is a metric in machine learning that combines precision and recall into a single value. It's calculated as the harmonic mean of precision and recall, providing a balanced assessment of a model's performance. A higher F1 score indicates better performance, with values ranging from 0 to 1, where 1 represents perfect precision and recall, and 0 indicates poor performance.



- Specificity refers to a model's ability to correctly identify negative instances. It measures the proportion of true negatives correctly identified out of all actual negative cases. High specificity indicates a model's effectiveness in distinguishing negatives from positives, reducing false positives.

TP stands for True Positives, TN for True Negatives, and FP for False Positives.

(1) TP: fresh images that have been detected or identified as fresh

(2) TN: rotten images that have been detected or classified as rotten

(3) FP: rotten images that have been detected or classified as rotten

(4) FN: fresh images that have been detected or identified as fresh

## IV. Implementation

The selection of algorithms is the most important aspect of efficient implementation. Various object detection algorithms, such as ResNet50 and Inception v3, are thus compared.

### A. ResNet50:

ResNet50 is commonly used for object detection tasks. It operates by learning hierarchical features from raw image data through convolutional layers. ResNet50 introduces residual connections, or skip connections, which bypass one or more convolutional layers and directly feed the input to the output of deeper layers. This architecture addresses the vanishing gradient problem, allowing the network to learn effectively even when it becomes very deep. While ResNet50 may have longer training times, it offers significant advantages in accuracy and robustness.

### B. Inception v3:

Inception v3 is another popular model for object detection and image classification tasks. It comprises inception modules, which consist of parallel convolutional layers with different kernel sizes, enabling the network to capture features at multiple scales simultaneously. Inception v3 also employs auxiliary classifiers at intermediate layers to mitigate the vanishing gradient problem and to encourage the network to learn more discriminative features. This approach facilitates more stable and effective training of deep networks. Inception v3 does not utilize residual connections but relies on its inception modules and auxiliary classifiers for efficient learning and feature extraction.

Key	ResNet50	Inceptionv3
Type	Convolutional Neural Network (Deep Learning)	Convolutional Neural Network (Deep Learning)
Input	Images	Images

Output	Image classification/regression	Image classification/regression
Key Concept	Convolutional layers with residual connections (skip connections)	Inception modules with parallel convolutional layers of different sizes, auxiliary classifiers
Use Cases	Image recognition, object detection, facial recognition, medical imaging	Image recognition, object detection, facial recognition, medical imaging

### Use Cases:

**ResNet50:** This model is particularly effective for tasks that require deep networks to capture complex visual patterns. It is widely used for image classification, object detection, facial recognition, and medical imaging.

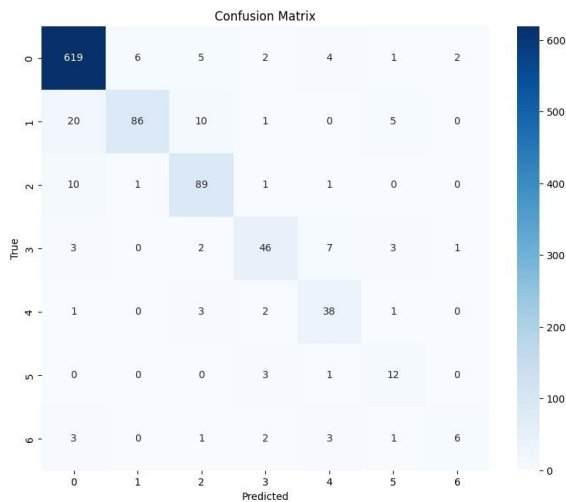
**Inception v3:** This model excels in scenarios requiring the capture of multi-scale features and complex patterns. It is also used for image classification, object detection, facial recognition, and medical imaging.

## V. Experimental Results

The Below Table Shows the Experimental results obtained from evaluating the trained model against test split (10% of the complete Dataset). From the score obtained for various metrics it can be concluded the trained model could be used in a real time application for obtaining better working results.

Result metrics of training and validation model:

Classification Report:				
	precision	recall	f1-score	support
0	0.94	0.97	0.96	639
1	0.92	0.70	0.80	122
2	0.81	0.87	0.84	102
3	0.81	0.74	0.77	62
4	0.70	0.84	0.77	45
5	0.52	0.75	0.62	16
6	0.67	0.38	0.48	16
accuracy			0.89	1002
macro avg	0.77	0.75	0.75	1002
weighted avg	0.90	0.89	0.89	1002



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Predicted Class : Non Cancer



## VI. CONCLUSION

SkinSpectra aims to transform the dermatology landscape by leveraging deep learning models such as ResNet50 to classify various types of skin cancer. By providing medical professionals and patients with accurate and reliable skin cancer classifications, our platform fosters early detection and effective treatment. Through our user-friendly interface, we empower healthcare providers to make informed decisions, ultimately promoting better health outcomes and

enhancing patient care. This project represents a significant step towards bridging the gap between advanced medical technology and practical healthcare, promoting early diagnosis, and improving the accessibility of high-quality dermatological care.

## SCOPE FOR FUTURE:

In future endeavors, SkinSpectra aims to refine its classification models by diversifying training datasets and exploring advanced deep learning techniques. Enhancements in diagnostic algorithms will incorporate real-time clinical data for more precise predictions. The platform will undergo further development to enhance user experience, integrating features like patient records and telemedicine functionalities. Continuous adaptation to industry advancements will ensure our project remains at the forefront of empowering healthcare providers and facilitating transparent communication between patients and dermatologists.

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