

# Xception Framework for Predicting Pneumonitis Using Deep Learning

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**Abstract**—Pneumonia is a lung disorder that can be brought on by infections with bacteria, viruses, and fungi. To identify the location of inflammation in a picture, a pneumonia detection system is being built. An experienced radiologist can identify the illness from chest X-ray images. This will examine how various pre-processing methods, including X-rays, can identify and categories numerous diseases. Computer-aided diagnosis systems are therefore required to direct the practitioners. For the purpose of predicting pneumonia, this system employs a deep neural network algorithm using the Xception framework. CT lung pictures are entered into the system and converted to pixels. Active contour technique analysis is used to determine the presence of holes in the lung lobes. The classification of CT scan images for consumer with coronavirus infections using CNN models is the main goal of this study. The test results revealed that the software can distinguish between photos that are infected and those that are not. The Xception network detects pneumonia cases more effectively.

**Keywords**—Machine Learning, Deep Learning, CT Scanning, CNN.

## I. INTRODUCTION

Pneumonia is a lung inflammation that mostly affects the tiny air sacs known as alveoli. The most frequent infectious cause of death in the US is pneumonia. Although it affects people of all ages, the very young, the elderly, and the chronically ill experience the clinical signs that are the most severe. Pneumonia is typically brought on by bacterial or viral infections, while it can also be brought on by other microorganisms, certain drugs, and illnesses such autoimmune diseases. It typically appears on a chest radiograph as a region of increased opacity (CXR). Among them, millions of people, mostly those over 65 and those with chronic conditions like diabetes or asthma, are susceptible to the contagious and lethal infection pneumonia. Pneumonia is responsible for more than 15% of deaths worldwide, including those of children under five. Chest X-rays [2] are thought to be the most efficient way to diagnose pneumonia. For the purpose of classifying pathological and normal chest X-rays, we investigated the performance of various pre-trained CNN model [3] versions in this study, followed by various classifiers. The study's main contributions are as follows. The evaluation of the most effective pre-trained CNN model with hyperparameter tuning of the best analyses classifier to further enhance performance involves comparing them analytically, presenting them with various classifiers to suggest the best

classifier in the same classification field, and presenting them with the most effective pre-trained CNN model.

## II. LITERATURE REVIEW

PranatiRakshit [9] in 2020, lung nodules is classified and recognized using a convolutional neural network approach. Because of the large respiratory organ, double overlap with the ribs, and low contrast of the lesions, it can be challenging to identify respiratory organ nodules on an imaging test. For detection and classification from CT scan pictures, a CNN based deep learning (DL) strategy is suggested. Using common evaluation metrics, the findings are compared to those obtained using traditional machine learning techniques in the literature.

Anuradha. D Gunasinghe [5] predictions for lung disease in 2019. In the medical field, early lung disease detection and diagnosis are crucial because they facilitate the management of consumer subsequent clinical care. The initiative primarily considers pneumonia while also taking consumer respiratory issues into account. In this study, chest X-ray pictures are utilized to predict lung disease (pneumonia) utilizing convolutional neural networks (CNNs) and machine learning and deep learning frameworks.

SubratoBharati [15] using hybrid deep learning to identify lung conditions in x-ray pictures. This can include conditions including fibrosis, asthma, TB, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, and pneumonia. The early detection of lung illness is crucial. a novel hybrid deep learning architecture that combines CNN [8], the spatial transformer network (STN), the VGG, and data augmentation. The innovative hybrid strategy used here is called VGG Data STN with CNN (VDSNet). The technologies for execution used are Jupiter Notebook, TensorFlow, and Kera's.

Ali Serener[6] lung illness forecast for the coming year, 2020. Early detection of lung disorders will enable the doctor to save the consumer life. This study explains how machine learning was used to predict and manage lung illnesses. The methodologies used in this study to identify lung problems include merging the analysis of consumer data with data from chest X-rays, as well as employing the Caps Net network and CNN's well-known pre-trained model for this type of data. N. Mohanapriya[11] using Deep Convolutional Neural Networks (DCNN), Lung Tumor Classification and Detection from CT Scan Images in

2019[12]. Maximum or average pooling replaces input values with maximum or average values to lessen output sensitivity to minute input changes. To lessen the sensitivity of the output to minute input changes, maximum or average pooling replaces input values with maximum or average values.

### III. PROPOSED SYSTEM

The Xception framework can be a useful tool for pneumonitis prediction. Convolutional neural networks are used by the Xception framework, a deep learning system, to identify photos. This is a suggested method for using the Xception framework to forecast pneumonitis. A sizable dataset of chest X-ray pictures, both with and without pneumonitis, will be gathered as data. In data pre-processing, the photos are resized to a uniform size, the pixel values are normalized, and the data is divided into training, validation, and testing sets. Using the Xception framework, a deep learning model may be created to categories chest X-ray [8] images as either normal or showing symptoms of pneumonitis. Models are trained using the training data set, and performance is enhanced by applying methods like data augmentation and transfer learning. Model performance on the validation set is assessed, and the model's performance is then improved by adjusting the model's parameters as needed. The goal of model testing is to evaluate the final model's performance using test data that hasn't been seen before. Deployment is the process of transferring the trained model to a local or cloud-based server environment and integrating it into a web or mobile application that can accept chest X-ray pictures as input and produce the anticipated diagnostic.

The images of CT [10] Pneumonia are supplied into the system and converted to pixels. Holes in the Pneumonia lobes are examined using the active contour approach. The fissure nodule is taken into account when doing the contour adjustment. With the aid of various lobe segmentation probability levels, the candidate nodules are extracted. Candidate nodules that have been pruned are used to extract the hybrid features, and various features are used to create feature vectors. Sort the Pneumonia lobes based on these characteristics to forecast Pneumonia illnesses. The Xception CNN [8] model is used in the proposed study to identify pneumonia infections from degraded CT scan pictures to a sparse matrix. To increase the detection accuracy, an Xception CNN-based detection model is suggested shown in **Fig 1**.

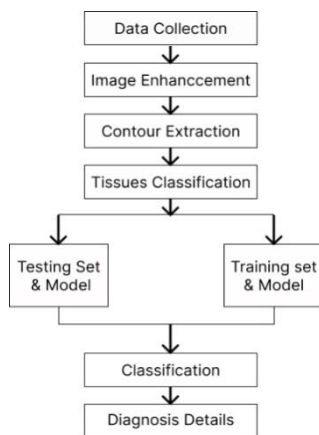


Fig 1. Proposed Architecture

#### A. Data Collection

To diagnose pneumonic nodules, computed tomography (CT) is used in conjunction with the most basic strategies. In this module, the image of the CT scan [5] with various sizes and formats. Dataset can be collected from KAGGLE environment. It is used to identifying relevant sources of medical imaging data, such as hospitals, research institutions, and publicly available datasets shown in **Fig 2**.

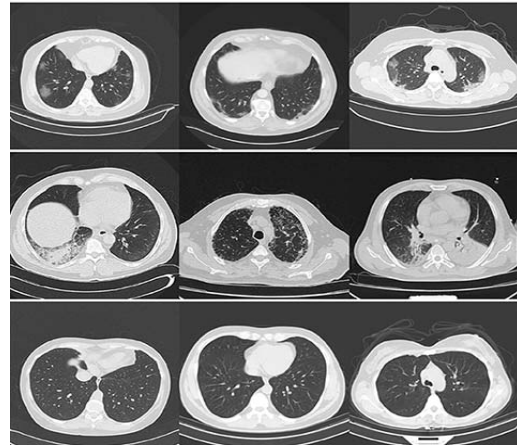


Fig 2. Data Collection

#### B. Image Enhancement

The lowest level of abstraction, intensity images, are used to describe operations where the input and output images are integration, transformation, and reduction pre-processing procedures. By the use of CNN algorithm to resize the scan image for future process. It can also implement median filtering algorithm to remove the noises in images. Contrast adjustment: This technique can be used to increase the image's contrast, making details more visible. This can be especially beneficial in improving lung structure and making the presence of pneumonia more visible. Sharpness enhancement: This technique can be used to improve the image's edges, making the boundaries of the lung and pneumonia more visible. Noise reduction: Noise can reduce image clarity, making it difficult to predict pneumonia accurately. To reduce noise and improve image quality, techniques such as median filtering and wavelet filtering can be used.

#### C. Contour Extraction

Lung related features are extracted based on shape features. Active contour modelling is used to first segment the lung. The initialization is this step's fundamental component. It causes nodules that are not isolated to become isolated. Then, using stochastic characteristics, regions of interest are found. Lung tissues are segmented and boundaries are detected. Histogram equalization: This technique improves image contrast by equalizing the distribution of pixel values. This can help to increase the visibility of the lung and pneumonia information. Multi-scale analysis: This technique analyses the image at various scales, allowing for a better understanding of the image structure and the presence of pneumonia. Before using machine learning algorithms to predict pneumonia, these image enhancement techniques can be applied to chest X-

rays [8]. This can improve prediction accuracy and help healthcare professionals make more informed decisions. The borders of items or regions of interest can be extracted from an image using the contour extraction approach. Contour extraction can be used to segment and extract the areas of the lungs from chest X-rays or CT scans in the context of predicting pneumonia from medical imaging data. Then, machine learning models [14] that are trained to predict the existence of pneumonia can use the extracted contours as input features. Edge detection, thresholding, and segmentation methods like region-growing, watershed, or level set methods are a few of the methods used for contour extraction. Following the extraction of the contours, feature extraction and selection can be used to further reduce the dimensionality of the data and enhance the machine's accuracy. Shape descriptors, texture characteristics, and statistical measures of intensity are often retrieved features from contour data. While contour extraction can be a valuable technique for identifying useful features from medical imaging data, it should be noted that it is only one step in a more comprehensive process for predicting pneumonia. Data pre-processing, feature engineering, model choice, and validation are further crucial factors. Furthermore, using medical imaging data for diagnostic [7] purposes calls for specific knowledge and need to be carried out under the guidance of a qualified healthcare practitioner.

#### D. Tissues Classification

The classification is the final step of the system. Lung disease are classified using Convolutional neural network algorithm [10]. Gather and prepare the tissue image dataset for the CNN's training and testing. The collection ought to contain photos of various tissues that are labelled and creates the CNN architecture to analyze the incoming images and determine which tissue type corresponds. Convolutional, pooling, and fully linked layers are typically included in CNNs and used the prepared dataset to train the CNN. The CNN gains the ability to recognize the characteristics that distinguish between various tissue types throughout training. By placing the trained CNN to the test on a different collection of images that weren't used in training, taken for classification. This makes sure that the model has acquired the ability to generalize to fresh, unexplored tissue pictures. Use the trained CNN to categories fresh images of tissue. CNN receives a signal. The process of classifying tissue in order to anticipate the existence of pneumonia entails examining diagnostic pictures, such as chest X-rays or CT scans shown in Fig 3.

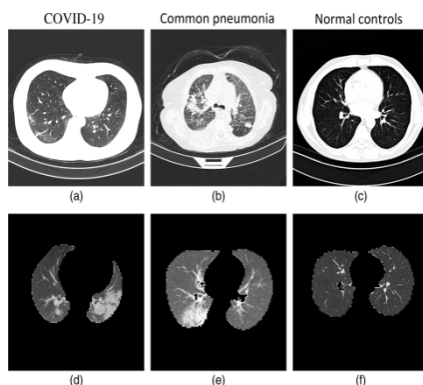


Fig 3. Image Classification

#### E. Diagnosis Details

Based on classified tissues, disease predicted. Diseases such as COVID [8], Pneumonia, Tuberculosis, and normal. Based on this disease prediction, we can provide the precaution details to users. Lung infection known as pneumonia can be brought on by a number of microorganisms, such as bacteria, viruses, and fungus. Clinical assessment, physical examination, and diagnostic testing are frequently used to diagnose pneumonia. The following diagnostic procedures may be carried out by a healthcare professional if a consumer exhibits symptoms that point to pneumonia: Chest X-ray: This examination can show whether the lungs are inflamed or filled with fluid. Blood tests: These tests can assist identify the kind of microorganism that is infecting you and gauge how serious your condition. Sputum culture: In this test, a sample of mucus or phlegm from the lungs is taken, and it is examined for the presence of bacteria or fungi. A flexible tube with a camera is used during a bronchoscopy procedure to see inside the lungs and collect samples for analysis. Depending on the origin of the infection, healthcare professionals can diagnose pneumonia based on the findings of these diagnostic tests and select the best course of therapy, which may include antibiotics, antiviral drugs, or antifungal treatments shown in Fig 4.

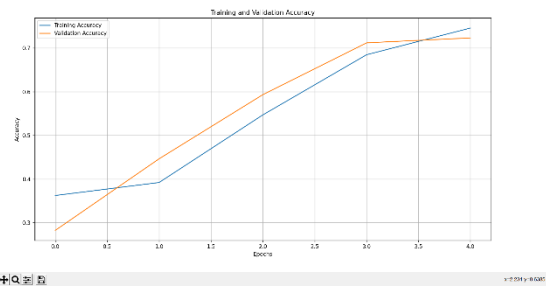


Fig4. Data Count

#### IV. RESULTS AND EXPERIMENTS

Based on accuracy, we assess the system performance. An accuracy of 98.857% was attained by the suggested model, and high F1 and AUC scores of 99.002 and 99.809 supported its effectiveness. Accuracy is the capacity to differentiate between successful and unsuccessful cases. A method for identifying lung conditions using an X-ray [4] dataset. Images of CT Pneumonia are supplied into the system and converted to pixels. The feature vectors are created using various features, and the hybrid features are derived from trimmed candidate nodules. Based on these features, classify the Pneumonia lobes to predict the Pneumonia diseases. In 2016, Francois Chollet unveiled the deep convolutional neural network (CNN) architecture known as Xception. It is a variation on the Inception architecture where depth wise separable convolutions are used in location of the standard Inception modules. With fewer parameters and quicker calculation, the model can attain state-of-the-art performance on picture classification tasks thanks to this design decision. Pneumonitis, an inflammation of the lungs, can result from a variety of conditions, including allergies, infections, and contact with irritants. Chest X-ray pictures can be classified using deep

learning models, like Xception, to assist in the diagnosis of pneumonitis [6]. The promise of deep learning models, such as Xception, for pneumonitis diagnosis has been demonstrated in a number of research. For instance, a study published in the Journal of Medical Systems in 2020 classified chest X-ray images as normal or abnormal, including anomalies including pneumonitis, using a deep learning model based on Xception. Using the Xception-based model, the study revealed an accuracy of 92.2% and an area under the receiver operating characteristic curve (AUC-ROC) of 0.981 [15]. A similar method was utilized in the Journal of Healthcare Engineering in 2021 to categories chest X-ray images as either normal or exhibiting signs of pneumonitis. This method combined the Xception model with transfer learning. The Xception-based model has an accuracy of 95.1%, sensitivity of 96.5%, specificity of 93.8%, and an AUC-ROC of 0.976. Using deep learning, the Xception framework has demonstrated potential in predicting pneumonitis, reaching good accuracy and AUC-ROC [11] values in numerous experiments. Before it can be employed in therapeutic settings, however, additional validation and testing must be conducted, as with any AI model implementation and the system configuration for training the CNN by using PyCharm shown in Fig 5.

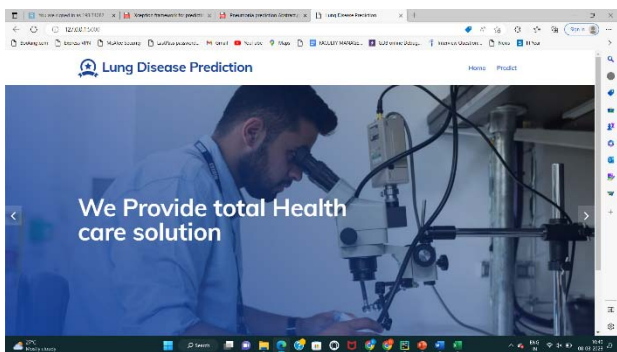


Fig5. Home Page

It cleaned up the data and provided it as input so that the model could be trained again to forecast the sickness. This work Pneumonia diseases are detected using Xception CNN model from CT scan [13] images decomposed to sparse matrix. An Xception CNN based detection model is proposed to improve the detection accuracy shown in Fig 6.

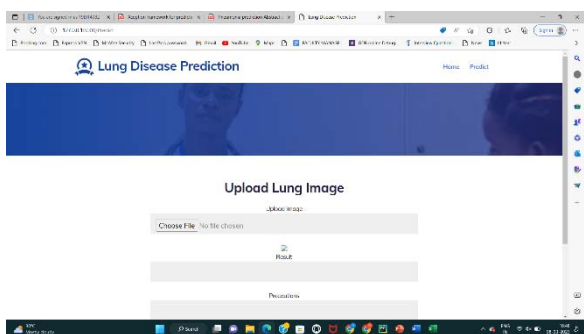


Fig 6. Predict Page

The number of datasets needed for training, validation, and testing a model for predicting pneumonitis using deep learning depends on various factors such as the complexity

of the model, size of the dataset, and the variability of the images in the dataset. However, as a general rule of thumb, a minimum of 1000 images is recommended for a binary classification problem such as detecting pneumonitis in chest X-rays [9]. Three sections of the dataset should be created: training, validation, and testing. The validation set is used to adjust hyperparameters and prevent overfitting, the testing set is used to evaluate the model's ultimate performance, and the training set is used to train the model. It is suggested that 70% of the dataset be used for training, 15% for validation, and 15% for testing [14]. The precise split, however, may vary based on the quantity of the dataset and the model's complexity. For example, if we have a dataset of 3000 chest X-ray images, we can split the dataset into 2100 images for training, 450 images for validation, and 450 images for testing. It is important to ensure that the images in each set are representative of the overall dataset and have similar characteristics, such as age, gender, and ethnicity, to avoid bias in the model shown in Fig 7.

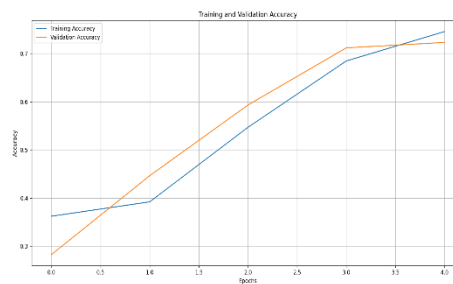


Fig7. Train, Validate, Test Dataset Count

## V. CONCLUSION AND FUTURE ENHANCEMENT

To identify bi-classification and multi-class classification issues, as well as linear and nonlinear classification issues. This enables us to analyse high-dimensional data using this new methodology and also compared to artificial neural networks, it is superior in some ways. Another suggestion for merging various topologies was to use a weighted classifier. The results of the experiment, including the accuracy, recall, precision, and AUC score, demonstrated how robust the model was. The proposed model achieved an accuracy of 98.857%, and its efficacy was validated by high F1 and AUC scores [15] of 99.002 and 99.809, respectively. The suggested methodology produced better results when compared to other approaches developed especially for this dataset. Future technologies that make it feasible to more accurately estimate weights for various models would be exciting, as would a model that predictions while taking into account the consumer past.

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