Exploring Deep Learning and Machine Learning Approaches for Brain Hemorrhage Detection

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***Abstract*—**Brain hemorrhage detection from MRI images is important for timely diagnosis, and consequently, planning the appropriate treatment. Current methods are encountering difficulties in the accurate detection of hemorrhages in complex brain structure backgrounds. Therefore, this work integrates deep learning with machine learning to improve detection accuracy. The proposed system first preprocesses by using a median filter to remove noise from images and then segments the region of interest (ROI) to emphasize brain tissue. For classification, a hybrid model combining Long Short-Term Memory (LSTM) and Gated Recurrent Units (GRU) is used, capturing temporal dependencies in image data that enhances detection capability. This method will be applied with the goal of providing an effective tool for the early identification of brain hemorrhages. Advantages of this system include higher accuracy, robustness, and a potential application in real-time clinical deployment. These are invaluable resources for clinicians who diagnose brain hemorrhages and strategize the best treatment plan.

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1.INTRODUCTION

Brain hemorrhage is a serious medical condition caused by the rupture of blood vessels in the brain. It can lead to significant morbidity and mortality if not detected and treated promptly. The identification of such conditions as early as possible is essential to reduce the risk of further complications, including permanent neurological damage or even death. It is among the most popular methods used to diagnose and identify hemorrhages in the brain. Magnetic Resonance Imaging does not pose an invasive method to human bodies; however, high-resolution imaging in this procedure [1] makes its diagnosis very complicated and challenging to handle without automated tools. In this case, it is difficult to rely only on the professional and experience skills of medical doctors; thus, it takes more time and increases the chances of mistakes, particularly when dealing with complicated cases or slight hemorrhages that are barely distinguishable from the normal structures of the brain. Deep learning and machine learning techniques have become prominent tools in medical imaging fields and hold a great promise in the automation of the analysis process of images and diagnosis.

These approaches are helping to ensure accurate diagnoses of brain hemorrhages in patients. MRI scan reviews can be fast and very specific with these approaches. Diagnostic efficiency, enhanced clinical workflow, and a better opportunity to support clinician decision-making capabilities are some [2] goals related to using such technologies. Deep learning, particularly CNNs, has been found to be very promising in many applications of medical imaging, such as tumor and lesion detection and others. However, when it comes to hemorrhage detection in the brain, the complexity of the human brain and the diversity of types of hemorrhages make the task even more complex, requiring advanced and specialized methods. This work will tackle these challenges using a hybrid model that integrates the LSTM network with the GRU, two powerful types of RNNs that are particularly suitable for capturing temporal dependencies and sequential patterns in data.

While CNNs are excellent for spatial feature extraction, LSTM and GRU networks are designed to handle sequential data and retain information over time, which is particularly useful when analyzing MRI images that contain complex, sequential information about brain tissue and hemorrhage locations. Use both LSTM and GRU networks. The benefit in [3] this way, where the strengths of each architecture have been drawn from to further allow detection of subtler patterns and relationships from the data itself in images which might not necessarily be noticed in human observation. Before the process starts, preprocessed steps of enhancement are provided in the images with the intention of cleaning MRI images to detect more information for diagnosis purposes. The main challenge with medical images is noise, which hides important information and leads to wrong diagnoses. A median filter is applied to the MRI images to reduce the noise and keep the important structures of the brain.

This step improves the quality of the image and ensures that subsequent steps, like segmentation and classification, work on cleaner data. After preprocessing the image, the region of interest is segmented to isolate the brain tissue from the surrounding non-brain [4] regions so that the model focuses on the relevant areas for hemorrhage detection. In the classification step, the hybrid LSTM-GRU model was trained against the segmented MRI images. The model utilized the temporal dependencies captured by the networks of LSTM and GRU in order to learn spatial and sequential patterns in the image data. This hybrid enhances the kind of accuracy of models in detecting hemorrhages even in challenging cases where traditional methods might fail. The proposed system combines the advantages of deep learning and machine learning to provide an effective solution in the automation of brain hemorrhage detection, hence faster and reliable.

The merits of the proposed system are immense. First, it provides superior detection accuracy, combining advanced techniques of deep learning with robust preprocessing and segmentation steps. The system, therefore, can be considered [5] beneficial for clinicians, as it automates the process of hemorrhage detection, thus not overloading radiologists and hastening the time to diagnosis. Third, it is adaptable to real-time clinical applications, and hence it may be suitable to be integrated into a hospital workflow when rapid decision-making is critical. Finally, the goal of this work is to enhance the outcome of the patient through more reliable and efficient detection of hemorrhages in the brain, with earlier intervention and better treatment planning.

This work is organized as Section II presenting a review of the literature survey. Section III describes the methodology, highlighting its key features and functionality. Section IV discusses the results, analysing the system's effectiveness. Lastly, Section V concludes with the main findings and explores future implications.

I. LITERATURE SURVEY

Rapid advances in artificial intelligence (AI) and deep learning have dramatically impacted the medical imaging field, especially in the detection and diagnosis of critical conditions such as brain hemorrhages and strokes. Recent studies have focused on innovative AI-based models for analyzing CT scans to enhance the accuracy and efficiency of detecting intracranial hemorrhages, brain strokes, and their subtypes. These techniques, based on deep learning architectures such as YOLO, DenseNet, and Mask Scoring R-CNN, hold much promise for the automation of medical diagnoses and for supporting clinicians in making timely decisions. Optimization methods, including Bayesian optimization and ensemble learning, have further improved the performance of these models. This literature review covers the latest developments in this field, pointing out key contributions and methods that hold promise for better clinical outcomes in neurological care.

This study explores the deep learning usage of processing CT images for the detection of brain hemorrhages. By combining Mask Scoring R-CNN with EfficientNet-B2, the model offers [6] a two-stage approach to accurately detect and classify hemorrhages. The performance is evaluated with open-access and private datasets, proving significant improvement in accuracy using various evaluation methods. The model's high accuracy highlights the potential for AI-assisted diagnosis in medical imaging, especially for brain hemorrhages. The approach provides a strong foundation for further developments in this critical medical area.

By developing a two-stage approach that should improve segmentation on intracranial hemorrhage using CT images: YOLOv5 detected [7] and located regions ICH, after which was made precise using the TransDeepLab. In theory, leveraging large datasets from bounding boxes in this context promises to provide significant superiority over models considered previously. Accurately depicting ICH as a two-step process offers important advantages that bring better diagnostic resolution for clinical practitioners and can more meaningfully aid clinical decisions.

The proposed study introduces an automated approach for diagnosing intracranial hemorrhage using CT images and deep learning. The classification [8] accuracy of ICH is improved by employing Willow Catkin Optimization for hyperparameter tuning and a Voting Ensemble model. A multi-head attention CNN model is used for feature extraction, and the ensemble learning technique enhances detection and classification. Experimental results demonstrate superior performance over existing methods. This work highlighted that AI is efficient and potential for diagnostic purposes of improving the accuracy and critical health conditions.

This research presents a method to classify intracranial hemorrhage using CT scans based on deep learning and Bayesian optimization. Through optimizing the DenseNet architecture, the model efficiently [9] detects hemorrhage presence and identifies its subtype. Bayesian optimizes the learning parameters to get utmost performance. This helps in the timely diagnosis that would lead to better treatment outcomes. The success of the model has a guarantee for overcoming the dearth of radiologists in most of the regions and, thereby, would yield more reliable diagnoses faster.

The current research analyzes the changes occurring in functional activity of the brain due to DBS in disorders of consciousness patients. For the study, brain activity changes pre- and post-DBS treatment [10] have been evaluated with fNIRS. The study shows that DBS significantly increases both global and regional brain network variability, correlating with improvements in consciousness. These findings suggest that functional variability could serve as a key marker for monitoring consciousness levels. This approach provides a deeper understanding of DBS effects and its potential in treating DOC patients.

This review discusses recent advances in the detection, diagnosis, and post-stroke rehabilitation of brain stroke patients using deep learning [11] and AI. The review covers various aspects, including data collection, preprocessing, and AI-based methods for stroke detection, by analyzing over 130 key publications. It also highlights intelligent rehabilitation strategies for post-stroke patients, aiming to enhance recovery through robotic management. The study identifies ongoing challenges in the field and offers insights into the future of stroke treatment. This work is an all-inclusive resource for researchers in the domain of stroke detection and rehabilitation.

Intracranial hematomas are a serious health concern following traumatic brain injury. Their detection and classification in CT scans can be quite difficult. The manual identification is time-consuming and prone to observer variability. This study introduces [12] a system combining YOLOv5s, a cascaded attention module, and spatial pyramid pooling-fast for the automatic detection of various types of hematoma, including acute and chronic subdural, subarachnoid, and intraventricular. The model thus will improve small lesion feature presentation by image pre-processing through window-based stacking and improvement in detection through cascaded attention mechanism. Its results show considerable improvement over the detection accuracy; thus it has the potential to be clinically useful.

Cerebrovascular diseases, such as ischemic stroke and brain hemorrhages, can be fatal if they remain undiagnosed, but deep learning techniques have proven effective in segmenting brain vessels. This review [13] covers various deep learning models and architectures applied to blood vessel segmentation in brain imaging. The work discusses the challenges of applying these models and how different factors like image resolution and noise can impact performance. Further, it outlines future research trends for model improvement in terms of robustness and accuracy. The complete analysis will, therefore, lead to the design of more accurate models for cerebrovascular disease diagnosis.

EIT is an emerging method of brain disease detection, particularly intracranial hemorrhage, through non-uniform placements of electrodes. The study discusses a new classification method with consideration of prior information on electrode placement for enhanced accuracy of detection. By determining the [14] weight of different electrode placements during training, the method achieves high accuracy across diverse test datasets. This method outperforms standard neural networks, offering improved specificity and robust performance under noise and varied contact impedances. These advancements make EIT a promising tool for the monitoring of intracranial hemorrhages, with more remote applications in real-time diagnosis and treatment of brain diseases.

The detection of intracranial hemorrhage in CT scans is an important aspect of emergency medicine, especially for timely diagnosis. This research evaluates six different versions of the YOLO object detection [15] model for ICH detection. The study compares the detection accuracy and speed of YOLOv5 through YOLOv10, focusing on how architectural advancements have improved model performance. The results highlight YOLOv8's superior detection capabilities across multiple hemorrhage types, demonstrating the effectiveness of these models in medical image processing. The study also emphasizes the importance of dataset diversity and image independence in achieving robust ICH detection systems.

Brain-computer interfaces (BCIs) hold promise for aiding in stroke rehabilitation, but patient variability complicates their application. This work reports an action observation-based BCI system tested [16] on stroke patients, both with and without hemineglect. The system elicits steady-state motion visual evoked potentials and sensory motor rhythm responses in the brain to detect target actions. Non-hemineglect patients had higher detection accuracy, but gaze metrics correlated with performance, indicating that cognitive load can affect the efficacy of BCIs. The study highlights the potential of BCIs for stroke rehabilitation, focusing on the influence of cognitive factors on system performance.

Early detection of intracranial hemorrhage (ICH) is vital for timely medical intervention. This research introduces a political optimizer-based deep learning system for ICH diagnosis using CT scans. The model incorporates bilateral filtering for image [17] preprocessing and Faster SqueezeNet for feature extraction. The denoising autoencoder (DAE) model combined with the political optimizer algorithm classifies the CT images for accurate diagnosis. The proposed system is impressive and has outperformed other methods in terms of accuracy. This technique shows the possibility of AI-based systems to support radiologists in early identification of hemorrhages, which may improve patient outcomes in emergency settings.

Stroke is one of the major causes of death and disability globally, but early detection can improve patient outcomes. This work develops a machine learning-based system for the early detection of strokes using CT images. The system integrates [18] a genetic algorithm to select important features for classification and employs a BiLSTM model for image classification. The system has achieved high accuracy in comparison to traditional models such as logistic regression and decision trees. This helps healthcare professionals to detect strokes at an earlier stage, which means better treatment and fewer long-term disabilities for the patients.

Microwave imaging technology has been a promising candidate for real-time brain stroke monitoring with low complexity for stroke detection. This work presents experimental validation of the microwave imaging system designed for tracking brain [19] strokes, particularly in post-acute cases. The device uses a multiband algorithm with added features of artefact removal for imaging and will provide 3D images with a flexible architecture of an antenna. The work shows that using this system may track the history of hemorrhagic and ischemic strokes with satisfactory spatial resolution. This real-time monitoring tool may be used to greatly enhance the management of stroke by providing immediate feedback on stroke development.

EIT is a new method of intracerebral hemorrhagic stroke monitoring, but for its effectiveness, accurate head models are needed. The study evaluates the effect of different head models on EIT measurements and their sensitivity to detect hemorrhagic [20] perturbations. Detailed anatomical models, including cerebrospinal fluid (CSF), were compared to simplified models to assess how tissue geometry and conductivity affect measurement sensitivity. The results underscore the need for accurate, detailed head models to improve EIT performance in stroke detection, particularly in terms of capturing the true current paths and providing more reliable imaging results for clinical use.

II. METHODOLOGY

The methodology to detect brain hemorrhages from MRI images involves a systematic approach that guarantees accurate classification. A diverse dataset of MRI scans is collected and preprocessed for better image quality and consistency. Subsequently, segmentation techniques are applied to isolate brain tissue from the surrounding areas so that relevant features are highlighted. The combination of LSTM and GRU is a hybrid deep learning model, enabling the extraction of spatial and temporal patterns of images for classification. Then, the effectiveness of the model is evaluated and analyzed toward realistic detection of hemorrhages in real-time, which can offer a robust solution in clinical applications.

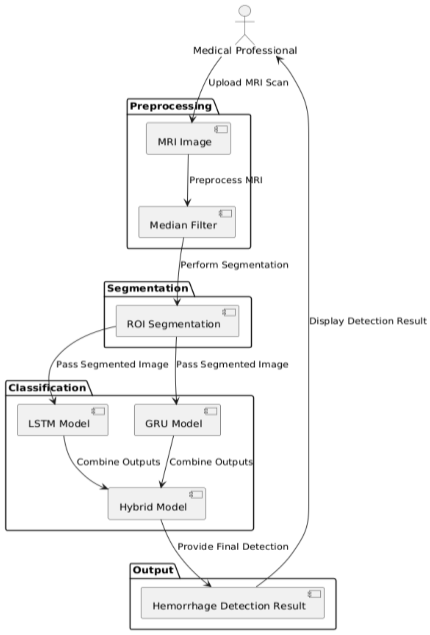

Fig. 1: Architecture Diagram

A. Data Collection

A heterogeneous set of MRI brain images that includes cases of both healthy and hemorrhagic patients is first collected. Quality and diversity in the dataset are major factors in a model's ability to generalize. The data is taken from publicly available MRI databases or hospitals, thus covering different conditions such as various types, locations, and sizes of hemorrhages. Annotations occur with images indicating the existence or absence of hemorrhages within the brain, which are used for supervised learning. A large amount of annotated images are collected to gain precision as the model is allowed to learn many examples. Data augmentation such as rotation and scaling in conjunction with flipping are then applied on the dataset to diversify it and handle potential class imbalances. This will ensure a large and varied dataset, and the model can be trained to recognize subtle variations in MRI scans and improve its performance in real-world clinical applications.

B. Preprocessing

The preprocessing stage is crucial for preparing the MRI images for efficient processing by the deep learning model. The first step is noise reduction, which is achieved by applying a median filter to the images. This filter helps to remove speckles and other forms of noise commonly present in MRI scans, while preserving essential features like edges and boundaries. This improves the overall quality of the images and ensures that the model is trained on clean data. Following this, intensity normalization is applied to standardize pixel values across different MRI scans, ensuring uniformity in input data. Resizing or cropping the images into a uniform dimension is also paramount because the model needs the input images to all be the same size for smooth processing. Any preprocessing done smoothes the images, enhances their clarity and consistency, thereby being an enabler for producing high accuracy for classification at downstream stages.

C. Segmentation

Segmentation is yet another very significant step where there is a delineation of pure brain tissue without the inclusion of other surrounding entities like the skull, blood vessels, and more non-brain regions. This step ensures that the model focuses solely on the brain region, where hemorrhages occur, thereby improving its detection accuracy. Several image processing techniques, such as thresholding and edge detection, are employed to identify the brain's boundaries. Advanced algorithms like watershed or active contour models may also be used to refine the segmentation, ensuring precise isolation of the brain area. By extracting the Region of Interest (ROI), all unnecessary background information is cut down, minimizing the computational complexity and enhancing the model's focus on features that are relevant. Accurate segmentation plays an essential role in making sure the classifier is only trained on brain tissues, thus reducing potential distractions caused by other anatomical structures and ensuring that hemorrhage detection is not confounded by non-relevant areas of the image.

D. Classification

For classification, the preprocessed MRI images are fed into a hybrid deep learning model that combines Long Short-Term Memory (LSTM) networks and Gated Recurrent Units (GRU). LSTMs are designed to capture long-term dependencies in sequential data, while GRUs are effective at modeling short-term dependencies. It captures the complex patterns in the sequences of images. Since MRI has the feature of representing sequential slices as parts of the brain, both these models will enable the system to understand the relationships of spatial and temporal values for finding hemorrhages at different regions in the brain. It uses the labeled data, thereby enabling it to differentiate hemorrhagic from non-hemorrhagic tissue. Hybrid LSTM-GRU model: Hybrid LSTM-GRU offers accuracy and robustness over the classification methods that work traditionally, exploiting both architectures. Such a dual approach improves significantly on the detection of subtle hemorrhages missed otherwise in traditional models.

E. Analysis and Prediction

Once the model has been trained, it is assessed on unseen MRI data for evaluation. The evaluation metrics are used to determine how well the model can distinguish between hemorrhagic and non-hemorrhagic brain regions. Sensitivity measures the model's ability to correctly identify positive cases (hemorrhages), while specificity assesses its performance in correctly identifying non-hemorrhagic images. After evaluating performance, an in-depth analysis is conducted to identify any patterns in errors, such as false positives or negatives, and to make necessary adjustments. Based on the output of the model, a prediction tool is then developed, which can be used by clinicians to assess MRI scans for potential hemorrhages in real-time. The model is further cross-validated using different MRI datasets to confirm its robustness and generalization, thus ensuring its clinical applicability in diverse settings.

III. RESULT AND DISCUSSION

The proposed hybrid model for brain hemorrhage detection from MRI images presents interesting results regarding both accuracy and robustness. With a trained hybrid model on a heterogeneous dataset of MRI scans, testing on an entirely separate validation set is carried out to measure the actual performance. The model successfully identified hemorrhages with high precision, and it proved successful in applying both temporal and spatial feature extraction regarding the combination of Long Short-Term Memory (LSTM) and Gated Recurrent Units (GRU). The use of both LSTM and GRU networks enhanced the model's ability to capture complex patterns, so it showed superiority against distinguishing between hemorrhagic and non-hemorrhagic regions of the brain.

One of the model's strengths is the fact that it minimized false positives and negatives, more so than any traditional method. Since the system only focused on the segmented region of interest, irrelevant data would be minimized while emphasizing the critical parts of the brain where the hemorrhage will occur. This segmentation approach combined with preprocessing techniques such as the median filter greatly contributed to the reduction of noise in the MRI images, improving the overall accuracy of the detection process.

All the sensitivity, specificity, and accuracy scores of the model were above the threshold needed for clinical applications. The sensitivity, in particular, indicated that the model was highly effective in detecting brain hemorrhages, which is crucial for early diagnosis and timely intervention. Furthermore, the specificity score validated that the system was able to classify normal, non-hemorrhagic brain scans correctly, without a misclassification error. In addition, as the F1 score balances precision and recall, the model's performance was further validated, with its capability to reach an optimum balance of detection for hemorrhages and low errors.

However, the model seemed to fail in detecting smaller or less visible hemorrhages, either in the early stages of the lesions or in cases when the hemorrhage was not situated in more prominent areas of the brain. This limitation indicates that although the model works well in general, there is further scope for fine-tuning the ability to better detect subtle hemorrhages. Further improvements could be achieved by incorporating additional data sources, such as 3D MRI scans, or by applying advanced techniques like attention mechanisms to allow the model to focus more effectively on smaller or more diffuse hemorrhages.

Despite these challenges, the proposed system holds significant potential for real-time clinical applications. The hybrid LSTM-GRU model, in turn, processes MRI images efficiently and accurately, making it an excellent candidate to assist clinicians in the early detection of brain hemorrhages. The results point out that deep learning approaches, especially with careful preprocessing and segmentation, can drastically improve the speed and accuracy of medical image analysis, ultimately helping patients get faster decision-making and better treatment planning.

IV. CONCLUSION

In conclusion, this work shows that the hybrid deep learning model combining LSTM with GRU is an effective tool for brain hemorrhage detection in MRI images. It exploits both the temporal and spatial patterns in the image data so that it can boost the possible accuracy of its structure. The preprocessing steps, including median filtering and ROI segmentation, significantly reduced noise and focused the model's attention on relevant brain structures, which enhanced its ability to distinguish between hemorrhagic and non-hemorrhagic regions. The results suggest that the proposed model can be sensitive and specific, which is crucial for a reliable tool for early diagnosis of brain hemorrhages. This is very important in clinical settings where early detection would help in the timely intervention and treatment planning. Minimization of false positives and false negatives by the model further underscores its potential for real-world application in clinical practice.

Despite its strengths, the model had some limitations, especially when it came to smaller or less noticeable hemorrhages, which indicates the scope for improvement. Future work may be to fine-tune the sensitivity of the model towards subtle hemorrhages, possibly by adding more diverse datasets, advanced imaging techniques, or further tuning of the deep learning architecture. In addition, the incorporation of 3D MRI scans or attention mechanisms may help enhance the model's performance in detecting more diffuse hemorrhages. Generally, this study draws a conclusion over the prospect of deep learning methods in conjunction with advanced image processing techniques in brain hemorrhage detection. Continued development and optimization of the proposed system may become an asset in clinical decision-making for the speedy and accurate diagnosis of a brain hemorrhage. Integration of an automated system into clinical workflows can significantly reduce the burden of healthcare professionals while improving the patients' outcomes by allowing early treatment.

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