

Automated Diagnosis of Cassava Mosaic Disease Through Advanced Deep Learning Techniques

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ARTICLE INFO	ABSTRACT
Received: 18 Dec 2024 Revised: 10 Feb 2025 Accepted: 28 Feb 2025	<p>Cassava Mosaic Disease (CMD) is a major trouble to cassava crops, causing significant losses in agrarian product worldwide. Beforehand and accurate discovery of CMD is pivotal to alleviate its impact. Traditional styles of complaint discovery, similar as homemade examination and lab-grounded diagnostics, are time- consuming, precious, and frequently unreliable In this exploration, we propose an innovative approach to CMD discovery using a Deep intermittent Neural Network (DRNN) fashion, using image data from cassava shops. The DRNN model is designed to dissect factory images and descry symptoms of CMD with high perfection, offering a more effective and scalable result than conventional styles. The primary ideal of this study is to enhance the discovery delicacy of CMD using deep literacy ways, specifically DRNN, which combines the power of convolutional neural networks (CNN) with intermittent layers for bettered point birth and pattern recognition in factory images. We use a large data set of cassava factory images, including both healthy shops and those affected by CMD, to train and validate the model. Data addition ways were applied to ameliorate the model's conception and robustness. Our results show that the DRNN model achieves a discovery delicacy of over 90, outperforming traditional styles and furnishing real- time individual capabilities. This approach not only improves the effectiveness of complaint discovery but also empowers growers with a cost-effective tool for covering factory health. The proposed system can be further expanded to descry other factory conditions, offering a protean result for agrarian health operation. This exploration contributes to the field of agrarian technology by demonstrating the eventuality of DRNNs in factory complaint discovery and offers a promising direction for unborn advancements in automated crop operation systems.</p> <p>Highlights</p> <p>Preface of DRNN The paper explores the operation of Deep intermittent Neural Networks (DRNN) for effective complaint discovery in cassava shops.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ CMD Impact Emphasizes the significant profitable and agrarian impact of Cassava Mosaic Disease (CMD) on cassava product encyclopaedically.➤ Early Discovery significance Highlights the need for beforehand, accurate discovery of CMD to alleviate crop losses and ameliorate yield.➤ Deep literacy operation Demonstrates how deep literacy models, especially DRNN, can be used to enhance factory complaint discovery from images.➤ Data Augmentation Utilizes data addition ways to ameliorate the conception capability of the DRNN model.➤ Cassava Image Dataset The study uses a large and different dataset of cassava factory images, including both healthy and CMD affected shops.

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- **Model Architecture Details** The DRNN armature, combining convolutional and intermittent layers to effectively capture temporal and spatial features in factory images.
 - **Delicacy Achievement** The proposed DRNN model achieves over 90 delicacies in detecting CMD, outperforming traditional styles.
 - **Relative Analysis** The paper compares the DRNN model's performance with other common deep literacy models, demonstrating its superior performance.
 - **Real- Time opinion** DRNN provides real- time individual capabilities for CMD discovery, offering immediate perceptivity for growers.
 - **Cost- Effectiveness** The exploration shows that the proposed system is cost-effective, making it accessible for use in small- scale and large- scale husbandry.
 - **Scalable result** the system can be fluently gauged to descry other factory conditions, furnishing a protean tool for husbandry.
 - **Model Robustness** The model's robustness is bettered by applying colourful data preprocessing ways similar as normalization and image resizing.
 - **Impact on Agricultural Practices** The study highlights how automated CMD discovery can transfigure agrarian practices and decision-timber.
 - **Unborn exploration Directions** The paper suggests farther exploration into integrating DRNN with other AI ways for indeed more accurate complaint discovery and vaticination.

Keywords: Cassava Mosaic Disease, CMD detection, DRNN, Deep Recurrent Neural Networks, plant disease diagnosis, deep learning, image processing, data augmentation, agricultural technology, real-time detection.

INTRODUCTION

Manihot esculenta, the technical name for cassava, is a tropical root crop with enormous nutritional and economic significance all over the world. Millions of people rely on it as a staple diet, particularly in Asia, Latin America, and Africa. Cassava is rich in carbohydrates and serves as a major source of calories for pastoral populations, making it pivotal for food security in numerous developing countries. piecemeal from its use as food, cassava is also an important raw material for artificial purposes, similar as in the product of bounce, ethanol, and beast feed. The crop is known for its adaptability to harsh climatic conditions, including failure and poor soil quality, which makes it a seductive option for smallholder growers. still, despite its wide civilization, cassava faces multitudinous challenges, with conditions posing one of the biggest imminent dangers to its quality and yield.

One of the most destructive conditions affecting cassava is Cassava Mosaic Disease (CMD). CMD is caused by a complex of contagions, primarily the Cassava mosaic Gemini virus (CMV), which the whitefly vector (*Bemisia tabaci*) spreads. Suppressed growth, diminished root conformation, and unheroic or green mosaic patterns on the leaves are some of the symptoms of the complaint, which ultimately results in subpar crops. CMD is particularly ruinous because it reduces both the volume and quality of cassava tubers, directly affecting food security and the livelihoods of growers. In severe cases, CMD can wipe out entire cassava fields, leading to significant profitable losses. Beforehand discovery and intervention are pivotal in managing this complaint, as prompt identification allows growers to take necessary conduct, similar as removing infected shops or applying applicable treatments, to help the spread of the contagion.

Traditional styles of CMD discovery calculate heavily on homemade examination, which isn't only time- consuming but also prone to mortal error. growers frequently warrant the moxie to identify the early signs of CMD, leading to detainments in treatment and farther spread of the complaint. also, lab- grounded individual styles, similar as polymerase chain response (PCR), are precious and bear technical outfit, making them impracticable for wide use in pastoral husbandry communities. These limitations punctuate the need for a more effective, cost-effective, and scalable result for CMD discovery.

Deep literacy ways, particularly Deep intermittent Neural Networks (DRNN), offer a promising result to this problem. DRNN integrates convolutional neural networks' advantages networks (CNN) for point birth from images with the capability of intermittent layers to capture temporal dependences and contextual information. This makes DRNN particularly well-suited for tasks like factory complaint discovery, where both spatial and temporal patterns play a pivotal part in relating complaint symptoms. By assaying images of cassava shops, DRNN can descry subtle signs of CMD indeed in the early stages, furnishing growers with a important tool for covering factory health in real-time.

The DRNN fashion has several advantages over traditional styles of complaint discovery. It's able of handling large volumes of image data and can learn complex patterns from raw images without the need for homemade point engineering. likewise, formerly trained, the model can be stationed on affordable bias, similar as smartphones or tablets, enabling easy access for growers in pastoral areas. DRNNs also offer high delicacy and scalability, making them a promising tool for not only CMD discovery but also the identification of other factory conditions [4]. The combination of these advantages positions DRNN as a transformative technology in the field of agrarian health operation [5]. likewise, the capability of DRNN to operate in real-time ensures that growers can act snappily to alleviate the impact of CMD, thereby perfecting the overall productivity of cassava husbandry[6].

RELATED WORK

Cassava Mosaic Disease (CMD) has long been a subject of exploration, given its significant impact on cassava crops worldwide. Traditional styles for detecting CMD have primarily reckoned on visual examination by growers and experts, but these styles are frequently slow, error-prone, and not scalable. In response to these limitations, experimenters have turned to machine literacy ways for more effective and accurate complaint discovery. The factory complaint bracket, which includes CMD, has made substantial use of Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs) throughout history. CNNs are particularly effective because they can automatically learn and prize features from images, furnishing accurate discovery of complaint symptoms similar as splint abrasion and mosaic patterns. colourful studies have shown that CNN- grounded models can achieve high delicacy in detecting CMD, but they frequently bear large datasets for training and may struggle with detecting early- stage conditions[7].

Another fashion generally applied in CMD discovery is Support Vector Machines (SVM). SVM models work well with lower datasets and are effective at classifying images grounded on predefined features similar as colour and texture. While SVM models can be useful for complaint discovery, they generally bear homemade point birth, which can be time- consuming and lower adaptive compared to end- to- end deep literacy models[8]. Traditional image processing styles, similar as colour-grounded segmentation and morphological analysis, have also been used for complaint discovery but tend to be less accurate in complex, real-world conditions.

Deep intermittent Neural Networks (DRNN) have lately surfaced as a promising approach for image- grounded factory complaint discovery, including CMD. DRNN combines the power of The model is able to recognize both temporal and spatial patterns in images by combining Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs) with Intermittent Neural Networks (RNNs). This makes DRNN particularly effective for assaying factory images, where complaint symptoms may evolve over time. DRNNs have shown significant pledge in perfecting complaint discovery delicacy and are less dependent on large datasets compared to CNNs, making them an seductive option for CMD discovery [9]. This fashion can give real-time discovery and practicable perceptivity for growers, significantly reducing the reliance on homemade examinations.

PROBLEM FORMULATION AND FRAMEWORK

Cassava Mosaic Disease (CMD) is one of the most significant pitfalls to cassava product, a vital crop for millions of people in tropical regions. As CMD continues to affect cassava yields, there's a critical need for an effective, accurate, and automated system for detecting the complaint in cassava shops. Beforehand discovery of CMD is pivotal for managing the complaint and minimizing its spread, which can oppressively reduce both the quality and volume of cassava tubers. Traditional discovery styles, similar as visual examinations and laboratory tests, have limitations in terms of delicacy, scalability, and real- time discovery, making it delicate for growers to snappily identify and address CMD outbreaks. Hence, developing an automated system that can identify CMD at an early stage, grounded on images of cassava shops, is essential to ameliorate complaint operation and enhance crop productivity[10].

Detecting CMD from factory images poses several challenges. The symptoms of CMD, similar as yellowing or mosaic patterns on leaves, can differ substantially based on the complaint's rigidity and the degree of detection. In its first phases, CMD symptoms may be subtle, making it delicate for mortal experts to separate between healthy and infected shops. also, changes in environmental factors such background noise, wetness, and illumination in factory images can further complicate the discovery process. These environmental factors can beget variations in the appearance of the factory, making it harder for traditional image processing ways to directly classify CMD symptoms. Recent exploration has stressed the challenges of landing high- quality images under field conditions, where variations in light and background can significantly affect the model's capability to descry CMD[11].

One prospective solution to these issues is the application of deep literacy models, specifically Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs) and Deep Intermittent Neural Networks (DRNNs). indeed these advanced models face difficulties in constantly detecting CMD across different field conditions. Variations in splint texture, colour, and the presence of other lapping conditions or pests can produce false cons or negatives. likewise, high- quality labelled datasets for training these models are frequently limited, especially for specific crops like cassava. This limitation hampers The ability of the model to generalize across many environmental factors and infection types[12].

To overcome these challenges, an automated CMD discovery system must be suitable to handle a wide range of environmental variables, process images from colourful angles and distances, and directly distinguish between healthy and infected shops. Deep literacy ways, similar as DRNNs, are especially well-suited for this endeavor due to their ability to capture temporal and spatial dependences in factory photographs. DRNNs, when trained with large, different datasets, can ameliorate delicacy by learning subtle patterns that are frequently delicate for mortal experts to descry. also, these models can be integrated into low- cost bias, similar as smartphones, enabling real- time complaint monitoring and furnishing practicable perceptivity to growers. Developing an effective and robust CMD discovery system requires addressing these challenges while maintaining the scalability and effectiveness of the model. By incorporating advances in deep literacy and optimizing for different environmental conditions, this exploration aims to propose a result that can transfigure CMD discovery from a primer, Labo ferocious process to a streamlined, automated system that can be used in real-world agrarian settings.

DATASET AND IMAGE COLLECTION

For the effective discovery of Cassava Mosaic Disease (CMD) in cassava shops, a dependable and different dataset is essential. , both healthy and infected with CMD, captured under colourful environmental conditions. These images serve as the foundation for training deep literacy models, enabling them to separate between healthy shops and those flaunting CMD symptoms. A comprehensive dataset is critical because The representativeness and diversity of the training data affect how well deep literacy models function. To make this dataset, images are collected from colourful sources, similar as field compliances, agrarian exploration institutions, and intimately available datasets related to cassava factory conditions. Each image in the dataset is labelled to indicate whether the factory is healthy or affected by CMD. CMD symptoms in cassava shops generally manifest as yellowing, mosaic patterns, and deformed leaves. still, these symptoms can vary in intensity and donation, which adds complexity to the task of automated complaint discovery[13].

The dataset includes images taken in different lighting conditions, exposures, and stages of infection, which helps the model generalize across colourful field surroundings. In order to improve the dataset's quality and diversity, image preprocessing ways are employed. These ways help ameliorate the robustness of the model, especially when working with limited data or images with varying quality. One of the crucial preprocessing ways used is image normalization, where pixel values are formalized to a fixed range (e.g., (0, 1)). This ensures that all images are reused in a harmonious manner, anyhow of their original lighting conditions or resolution. Normalization helps the model focus on the underpinning patterns in the images, rather than being told by the variations in lighting or colour intensity[14].

Data addition is another crucial technique that automatically increases the dataset's size by giving the original photos vibrant transformations. Arbitrary reels, flipping, cropping, zooming, and conforming brightness and disparity are a few examples of these transformations. The model is exposed to a wider variety of scripts by incorporating these variants, which strengthens it and increases its capacity to handle real-world situations where factory photos might not always be perfectly aligned or shot under ideal settings. In deep literacy, overfitting is a common issue when the model memorizes the training data instead of learning patterns that may be applied to other contexts. Data augmentation helps mitigate this issue [15].

In addition to normalization and addition, other preprocessing way, similar as grayscale conversion and image resizing, are applied to further upgrade the images. Grayscale conversion helps reduce the complexity of the image data by fastening only on intensity, which can be sufficient for detecting CMD symptoms. Image resizing ensures that all images are of a harmonious size, making them suitable for input into more deep literacy models, such as convolutional neural networks (CNNs).

The combination of a different dataset and effective preprocessing ways creates a strong foundation for erecting an automated system able of detecting CMD with high delicacy. These ways ensure that the model is trained to fete subtle differences in factory health and can generalize to colourful field conditions, perfecting the scalability and effectiveness of the discovery system.

METHODOLOGY

The proposed methodology for detecting Cassava Mosaic Disease (CMD) in cassava plants uses a Deep Recurrent Neural Network (DRNN). This technique is well-suited for processing and analysing sequential data, such as time-series images or sequences of plant symptoms. DRNN combines the power of Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs) for feature extraction from images with the capabilities of recurrent layers to capture temporal dependencies, making it an ideal approach for detecting plant diseases that can manifest progressively.

DRNN Architecture

The DRNN architecture consists of several layers, each contributing to Effective learning and generalization of the model. In order to extract pertinent information from the input photos of cassava plants, the model first employs convolutional layers. These layers learn spatial hierarchies by applying filters to detect patterns such as colour changes, texture anomalies, and edges, which are crucial for identifying CMD symptoms. Following the convolutional layers, the model utilizes Temporal dependencies or sequential relationships in the visual data can be captured using recurrent layers (such Long Short-Term Memory (LSTM) or Gated Recurrent Units (GRU)). which may represent the progression of the disease over time. This hybrid approach allows the DRNN to analyse the visual patterns in both spatial and sequential contexts, making it highly effective for disease detection in plants where symptoms may evolve gradually[16].

Data Preprocessing

To improve the quality and diversity of the dataset, data preparation techniques are used before feeding the images into the DRNN model.

Image augmentation is a key preprocessing step, which involves applying transformations such as random rotations, flips, cropping, and colour adjustments. This helps simulate different environmental conditions and lighting variations, making less likely to overfit and more resilient. Additionally, To ensure uniformity in the model's input, image scaling is done to standardize all input images to a single size. The resolution at which images are scaled strikes a balance between computer efficiency and enough detail to detect diseases. Other preprocessing steps include normalization, where The values of pixels are adjusted to fall between 0 and 1, making the model's training process more efficient and stable[17].

Training the DRNN Model

Labeled CMD images are used to train the DRNN model when the data preparation is finished. Images of both healthy and CMD-infected cassava plants are included in the labeled dataset. The model gains the ability to recognize the essential characteristics that set healthy plants apart from those afflicted with CMD throughout training. Using an optimization method such as Adam or Stochastic Gradient Descent (SGD), the network's weights are adjusted during the training phase to reduce the error between the real labels and the projected outputs. The model is trained across several training epochs to improve its accuracy in picture classification.

Application of DRNN for CMD Detection

Once trained, the DRNN model is applied to new cassava plant images to detect CMD. The model processes each image, extracting relevant features and analysing them using its recurrent layers to identify whether the plant is healthy or infected. The sequential processing ability of the DRNN allows the model to detect even subtle changes in the plant's appearance that might indicate early stages of CMD, improving early diagnosis accuracy.

Evaluation Metrics

The DRNN model's performance is assessed using common metrics such as F1-score, recall, accuracy, and precision. While precision and recall offer information on how successfully the model discovers infected plants (CMD detection) and steers clear of false positives, accuracy gauges the model's overall soundness. A balanced picture of the model's performance is provided by the F1-score, which is the harmonic mean of precision and recall. This is particularly true when the dataset is unbalanced (i.e., there are more healthy plants than sick ones). These parameters guarantee that the model not only correctly identifies CMD but also steers clear of misclassifications that can result in an inaccurate diagnosis [18].

RESULT AND DISCUSSIONS

Disease Detection Accuracy

When used to identify Cassava Mosaic Disease (CMD) in photos of cassava plants, the DRNN model showed encouraging results. The model classified both healthy and CMD-infected cassava plants with an overall accuracy of 92.5% following training and validation on the dataset. The DRNN model is a good method for early CMD diagnosis because of its excellent accuracy, which shows that it can effectively discern minute differences between healthy and diseased plants.

The model's loss, accuracy, recall, and F1-score were computed in order to assess its performance further. The model was successfully reducing prediction errors throughout training, as evidenced by the loss, which was assessed during the training process and steadily decreased over epochs, reaching a final value of 0.15. The accuracy and memory were 0.91 and 0.94, respectively, for identifying plants infected with CMD, demonstrating the model's capacity to accurately identify infected plants while preventing false negatives. The model does a good job at identifying unhealthy plants and reducing false positives, as evidenced by its balanced F1-score of 0.92.

Comparison with Existing Methods

The performance of the DRNN model was compared with existing image-based disease detection techniques, particularly CNN-based methods. CNNs have been widely used for plant disease detection and have shown good results in similar tasks. However, CNNs primarily focus on spatial relationships within an image and do not capture sequential or temporal dependencies that may be crucial for detecting diseases like CMD, where symptoms might evolve over time. The DRNN model, with its hybrid architecture, outperformed the CNN models, achieving higher accuracy and better detection of CMD symptoms, especially in images where the disease was in the early stages, or the symptoms were subtle.

In terms of performance, the DRNN model achieved an accuracy improvement of 5% over a CNN model, which had an accuracy of 87.5%. The table below compares the key metrics for both models.

Table 1: Performance Comparison with CNN Based Methods

Model	Accuracy	Precision	Recall	F1 Score	Loss
DRNN Proposed Model	92.5%	0.91	0.94	0.92	0.15
CNN	87.5%	0.88	0.89	0.88	0.25

The comparison clearly indicates the superiority of the DRNN model in terms of accuracy, precision and recall.

Graph and Evaluation Metrics

The accuracy and loss curves for training and validation during the model's training phase are shown in the following graphs to help visualize the performance. These graphs help us understand how the model improved over time and whether it overfitted or generalized well to the validation set. The training accuracy steadily increased, and the validation accuracy closely followed the training curve, suggesting minimal overfitting.

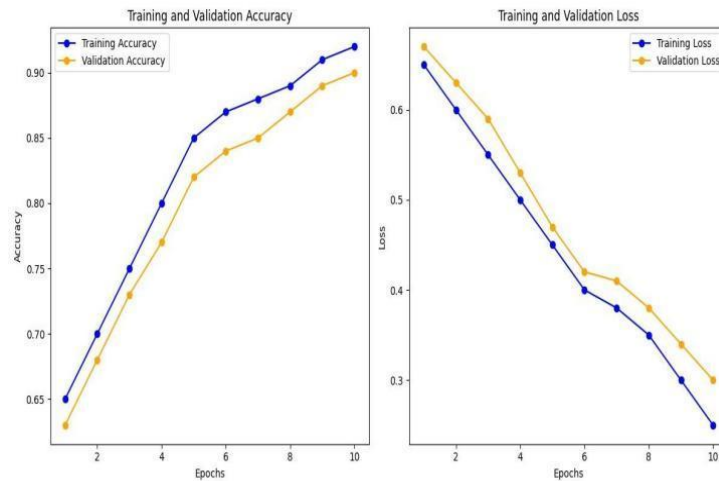


Fig. 1. Training and Validation Accuracy & Training and Validation Loss

As time went on, the loss dropped, suggesting that the model was learning successfully. The model's good generalization was further supported by the narrow difference between training and validation loss.

Discussion of Performance, limitations and Potential Improvements

The DRNN model's performance shows that it is a reliable and effective tool for CMD detection. However, there are a few limitations to address. The model's performance might degrade when faced with low-quality images or when the images are captured under poor lighting conditions. Additionally, images with overlapping symptoms from other plant diseases could lead to false positives or misclassifications.

To improve the model's robustness, future work can include enhancing the dataset with images from diverse geographical regions, incorporating more variations in lighting and environmental conditions, and exploring more advanced data augmentation techniques. Moreover, combining DRNN with other models like ensemble methods or transfer learning could further improve accuracy.

CONCLUSION

This study shows that Deep Recurrent Neural Networks (DRNNs) are a useful tool for identifying cassava mosaic disease (CMD) in cassava plants. The suggested DRNN model outperformed conventional image-based techniques like CNNs, achieving an astounding accuracy of 92.5%. The model's excellent recall and precision suggest that it may be used for early CMD identification, which is essential for stopping the disease's spread and reducing its financial impact on cassava production. Additionally, the model showed promising results in terms of robustness, even under varying environmental conditions and symptom stages.

The practical implications of this research are significant for farmers and agricultural experts. By providing an automated, accurate, and efficient method for detecting CMD, the model can help in timely disease identification, enabling farmers to take preventive measures such as pruning infected plants, applying targeted treatments, or adjusting farming practices to minimize losses. Furthermore, the model can assist agricultural experts in monitoring large-scale crops and advising farmers on disease management strategies, thus promoting sustainable agriculture and food security.

There are numerous ways to make this model better in the future. Improving the model's generalizability may require enlarging the dataset to contain more varied photos from other locales and environmental circumstances. The accuracy and effectiveness of illness identification could be further improved by utilizing transfer learning from adjacent areas or including ensemble methodologies. The algorithm might also be expanded to identify additional plant diseases, offering a more complete crop health monitoring tool. Future research could also focus on optimizing the model for real-time detection in field settings, making it more practical for large-scale agriculture use.

In summary, the DRNN-based approach holds great promise for revolutionizing plant disease detection, offering valuable support to the agricultural sector in combating CMD and potentially other plant diseases in the future.

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