

# Breast Cancer Diagnosis using Supervised Machine Learning Classification Techniques: Survey & Discussion

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**Abstract:** Early detection of the disease has become an important issue in the medical field due to the increasing population of the world. With the rapid growth of the population, the risk of dying from cancer is progressive each day. "Cancer" is a scary disease for most people. But in women, "breast cancer" can be even more frightening, because it is directly related to the woman's body. However, men can also get breast cancer, but men are much less likely to get the disease than women. In this paper we present the different techniques used for breast cancer diagnosis using machine learning.

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#### Introduction

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eating more processed foods increases your risk of breast cancer. v) Those who are overweight also have a risk of breast cancer. vi) Prolonged use of birth control pills or hormone injections can lead to breast cancer. vii) Breast cancer also increases with age. After the age of 50, this risk increases a lot. Breast cancer can be detected through various tests. These are- 1. Mammography 2.Ultrasonography 3.MRI 4.FNAC 5. Biopsy/meat examination Treatment The treatment of breast cancer is mainly divided into several parts. These are- 1. Surgery 2.Chemotherapy 3.Radiotherapy 4.Hormone therapy 5.Targeted therapy. Breast cancer is the most diagnosed cancer worldwide. According to [11], that more than a million women have breast cancer each year and 400,000 of those cases lead to death. This fatal disease not only affects emerging countries but also developed countries. To find a cure, it is important to correctly diagnose the disease and very quickly and treat it based on the type of symptoms that have arisen. Generally, the most effective approach suggested by radiologists for this disease is medical images.

The rest of this paper is organized as follows in the first section we describe an introduction of disease detection and cancer disease diagnosis system. In section II we discuss cancer disease diagnosis using machine learning techniques. In section III we discuss cancer disease diagnosis using deep learning techniques. In section IV we discuss the computer aided diagnosis system for health care sector, finally in section V we conclude the about our paper.

#### **II. Machine Learning**

Breast Cancer is a most common form of cancer among women and life taking disease around the globe. Histopathological imaging is one of the methods for cancer diagnosis where Pathologists examine tissue cells under different microscopic standards but disagree on the final decision. This is a tiresome task and for that reason, Deep Neural Networks are being used for the supervised classification. Breast Histology dataset having 240 training and 20 test images for classification of the histology images among four classes, i.e. Normal, Benign, In-situ carcinoma and Invasive carcinoma. The dataset was preprocessed for proper classification. They have applied transfer learning based on AlexNet, GoogleNet, and ResNet that can classify images at multiple cellular and nuclei configurations. This approach has resulted in 85% accuracy in case of ResNet as the highest among others and further research is being done to increase its efficiency and reduce the human dependency. Breast cancer is one of the most common disease from which most of the females are suffering. Histopathological images play remarkable notch in the medical domain. Segmentation of breast cancer images for cell analysis is the utmost thought-provoking task because of uncertainties present in these images. Identifying cancerous cells effectively in histopathological images may help in early diagnosis of breast cancer.

Machine Learning is a branch of Artificial Intelligence that has become very popular, and useful, in the last 10 years. One definition of Machine Learning is that it is the semi-automated extraction of knowledge from data. Broadly speaking, machine learning (ML) deals with the question of how to build computer programs that learn from data and, as a result, can generate programs that generalize from that data in the form of a program that reflects concepts implicit in the underlying data. In effect, with machine learning we have programs using data to create new programs. This is in contrast to the traditional way that programs have been generated by human programmers in which they encode the rules that the computer follows in a programming language in order to produce a solution to a specified problem. Traditional or conventional writing of programs for a computer can be summarized as automating the procedures to be performed on input data in order to create output artifacts. Almost always, they are linear, procedural and logical.

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Figure 1: Traditional programming vs. machine learning.

This is not always the case as sometimes, however, there are problems that you can represent in a computer that you cannot write a traditional program to solve. There are two broad classes of machine learning techniques, supervised learning and unsupervised learning.



Figure 2: Applications of machine learning.



### **III. Deep Learning**

Recently, artificial intelligence (AI) techniques have been applied in spectrum sensing analysis. The AI technique is able to learn significant features from original historical data and can make a decision based on on-line data. Deep learning has been proved to be an advanced technology for big data analysis with a large number of successful cases in image processing, speech recognition, object detection, and so on. CNN including a set of components (convolutional layers, pooling layers, fully connected layers, and so on) is currently considered as one of the most popular machine intelligence models for big data analysis in various research areas. A typical architecture of CNN model for classification problems is displayed in below figure. Convolution operations are implemented by traversing input matrices with convolution kernels that can be understood as filters for feature extraction. Different from filters used in conventional image processing method whose parameters need to be set manually, the parameters inside the kernel can be learned automatically by deep learning method. Convolutional layers are built by a set of convolution kernels, whose parameters (channels, kernel size, strides, padding, activation, and so on) should be set and optimized according to the practical problem. The computed output from convolutional layer is then subsampled by pooling layers. A group of chained convolutional layers and pooling layers can learn high level features representing the original input. The fully connected network (FNN) block, composed by fully connected neural units, is usually placed at the end as the classifier or used to generate numerical output for regression problems exploiting the learned feature map.



Deep learning, as an effective machine learning algorithm, has been widely studied and now attracts more attentions from various fields such as remote sensing, wireless communication, agriculture production, medical science, robotics, healthcare, human action recognition, speech recognition and so on. The structure of a CNN used in this work is presented in below figure. This CNN network consists of an input layer, several composite computing units (CCUs), a fully connected layer and a logistic regression layer (the first sub-figure of below figure). The input layer receives the WP decomposition of a data segment to be processed. A CCU consists of a convolutional layer, a pooling layer, and an activation layer (the second subfigure of below figure). This work used a CNN with two CCUs. There are two key concepts, convolution kernel (CK) and pooling for CNN, which represent the computations in the convolutional layer and the pooling layer respectively.



### **IV. Computer Aided Detection**

A Computer Aided Detection (CAD) system can be described as the use of computers to evaluate the medical images in an automatic or semi-automatic manner. In the field of breast imaging, availability of accurate CAD methods can make a real impact in improving the current breast screening procedures. Reading and understanding breast images requires a well trained and experienced radiologist, and the CAD systems can be effectively used as the "second opinion" and assist radiologists in screening programs. CAD employs computer vision techniques and/or artificial intelligence to deal with radiological and pathology images. In recent years, with the advancement in technology there has been an increase in the use of different imaging modalities for detection and diagnosis of cancers/tumours. Reading and understanding the images from these different modalities require highly experienced and well-trained doctors/radiologists. Moreover, even with well trained experts, there exists high possibilities of intra- and inter-variabilities between the readers. This motivated the use of computers to support radiologists to make accurate diagnosis. The advantage of using a CAD systems is that it can reduce the diagnostic time, reduce interobserver variations, and can act as a supplementary tool for the radiologists. In recent years, with the advancements in computer technology and data sciences, there has been a lot of interest in exploring deep learning methods for various tasks. In this regard, deep learning methods based on Convolutional Neural Network (CNN) have also gained importance in the field of medical image analysis and the efforts are laid to develop modern CAD systems based on the these newly developed CNN algorithms. This thesis is also a effort in this direction, exploring recent advancements in CNN to facilitate the development of an automated CAD system to assist radiologist in fast and accurate detection of lesions during breast cancer screening.



**Figure 4:** Flow chart showing different steps involved in CAD system and their characterization into CADe and CADx.



### V. Conclusion

Cancer is a term used for a group of disorders associated with abnormal cell growth. The abnormal cells have the potential to spread to other parts of the body (metastasis). Cancer can develop in any part of the body; the most common types are prostate, lung and bronchus, breast and colorectal. Cancer is staged according to its extent at the time of diagnosis. Breast cancer is the second leading cause of death for women, so accurate early detection can help decrease breast cancer mortality rates. Computer-aided detection allows radiologists to detect abnormalities efficiently.

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