**Abstract**

Potatoes are cultivated in several states of India. Potatoes provide a low-cost energy in human diet. Potatoes are used in industry for making dried food products. Early blight and Late blight are major diseases of potato leaf. It is estimated that the major loss occurred in potato yield due to these diseases. In this research, we have collected sample of potato leaf images from Plant Village dataset. This dataset contains 2152 images of potato leaf. It has 3 class of sample of Healthy Leaf, Early Blight and Late Blight. The 76 features are extracted from these images regarding color, texture and area. The extracted features are used to develop a classifier. The developed classifier is based on neural network for prediction and classification of potato image samples. The Feed Forward Neural Network (FFNN) Model is used for prediction and classification of unknown leaf. The accuracy of model is achieved 96.5%. Classifier is helpful in early and accurate prediction of the leaf diseases of potato crop.

**Introduction**

The world population are growing now a day rapidly. The world population will be stretched 9.1 billion in 2050. There will be a time emanates where world population will be faced for food scarcity. World organization should be worked together on agriculture to feed the world population otherwise on this earth human being will be faced a major problem for sustenance their lives. India one of them is most populated country. In India, 70% of population depended on agriculture. Due to diversity of climate, in India different types of crops are cultivated here. So, farmers are able to grow wide range of cereal, fruit and vegetable crops (Patil and Kumar, 2011). Potato is very popular for vegetable crop in the world. Potato is considered as poor man’s friend. Potato are cultivated in several states of India. Potatoes are very economical food. Potatoes provides a low-cost energy in human diet. They are rich source of starch, vitamins C, B1 and minerals. Potatoes are used in...
industry for making dried food products. The growing of these crops is highly technical. Early blight and Late blight are major disease of potato leaf. It is estimated that the major loss occurred in potato yield due to these diseases. The farmers want more yield and quality produce. It is estimated that crop yield loss 10% per year due to the diseases. It is also estimated that crop yield loss reached up to 20% in severe disease affected crop. The management of crop requires more close monitoring. The farmers will be more expert for management of crop diseases. The disease can affect production of the crop and subsequently the post-harvest life of crop. Crop diseases are a major threat to food security. The rapid and accurate identification of disease are remains difficult. These problems created due to the lack of the necessary infrastructure in the field of agriculture (Mohanty et al., 2016). This problem can be minimized or solved by recent advances in technology. These technologies are image processing and computer vision. These technologies can be utilizing in agriculture fields for identifying disease. Farmers can minimize their yield loss due to diseases with help of these technologies. They are able to early and accurate prediction of disease with help of disease diagnosis assisted system.

**Review of Literature**

(Al-Hiary et al., 2011) The authors proposed about automatic system for detection and classification. They considered about plant leaves diseases. They were mainly focused on colour feature of images. After segmentation of images, they identified the green pixels of images. They applied Otsu’s method for masking the pixels which were based on specific threshold values. They explained that proposed method is robust for identifying the diseases. The proposed model gains a precision between 83% and 94%.

(Raut, S. & Fulsunge, A., 2017) The researchers explained about recognition and classifying technique of plant disease. They worked on leaf and fruit diseases of plant. They used MATLAB software for analysis of dataset of images. They applied K-means method and Multi SVM. The K-means is used for clustering and SVM is used for classification. Proposed algorithm provides high accuracy in less time for processing of application.

(Mirchandani et al., 2018) The authors worked on seven diseases of affect plant leaves. They applied K-means clustering method for segmentation of leaves images. Neural Networks employed for classification of diseases. They have used two algorithms of Neural Networks. These algorithms are Feed Forward and Cascaded Feed Neural Networks Algorithm. These two classifiers were tested on seven diseases which affected the plants. These two models were performed well for detection of diseases. Cascaded Feed classifier was performed better than another classifier.

**Materials and Methods**

**Image Processing Techniques**

The image processing is very useful for agriculture field. It can be used for disease, insects identification and determining the shape and size of fruits of different crops. The image processing technique is consisting of different steps like Image Acquisition, Image Preprocessing, Image Segmentation, Feature Extraction and Image Recognition.
Image Acquisition

Dataset of Potato Leaf Image

In this research, we have collected sample of potato leaf images from Plant Village (www.plantvillage.org). It is a publicly available image database. This database contains 2152 images of potato leaf. It has 3 class of sample of Healthy Leaf, Early Blight and Late Blight shown in Figure 1. The detail information of dataset is given in Table 1. We considered all images for analysis purpose.

| Sl. No. | Name of Sample Class | No. of Sample |
|---------|----------------------|---------------|
| 1       | Healthy Leaf         | 152           |
| 2       | Early Blight         | 1000          |
| 3       | Late Blight          | 1000          |
| **Total** | **2152**            |               |

Feature Extraction

The features are very useful in identifying one class of objects to another. In this present work we have extracted color, shape and texture features of images. The total number of extracted features are 76. These features are utilized for training of models. Hence, these features are helpful in to get accuracy in disease identification. We considered as following features

Colour Feature

Color image processing is divided into two major areas: full color and pseudo color processing. Gray level: It refers to a scalar measure of intensity that ranges from black to grays and finally white. The RGB image was renovated to a gray image, and the following conversion formula are used:

\[ \text{Gray} = R \times 0.299 + G \times 0.587 + B \times 0.114 \]

Where, R = Red, G = Green, B = Blue

The RGB mean, variance, and range are computed using the following expressions

Mean:

\[ \bar{x} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i}{n} \]

Variance

Variance is another measure of the spread of data in a data set. In fact, it is almost identical to the standard deviation. The formula is this:

\[ S^2 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} (x_i - \bar{x})^2}{n-1} \]

Texture Feature

The texture is the set of the pixel which has been frequent characterize. The texture feature methods are classified into two categories. The spatial feature extraction and the spectral texture feature extraction. We considered statistical methods like Mean, Standard Deviation, Smoothness, Skewness, Kurtosis, Root Mean Square, Inverse Difference Moment, Energy, Contrast, Homogeneity and Variance for texture feature extraction of images.

Shape Features

It is a set of measurements that describe a certain shape according to some of its fundamental geometric properties. We considered geometrical methods like Aspect Ratio, Rectangularity, Area ratio of convex hull, Perimeter Ratio of Convex

Image Preprocessing

In Image Preprocessing, generally, we have done to remove the noise of the sample, resize the images as par requirement and filtering the images and to do image enhancement for better viewing the processed image than the original image. Image enhancement can be done with spatial domain and frequency domain methods. Spatial domain is related with manipulation of pixel values of an image whereas frequency domain is related with manipulation of frequency values of images. Frequency domain is computed with help of Fourier transform and inverse Fourier transform techniques of the image.

Image Segmentation

Image segmentation is used for partitioning of image into multiple region. That divided regions refers to a problem specific. This region of interest shows diseased region or your objective region. Image segmentation can be done various method like clustering methods, histogram-based methods etc.

![Figure 1: Different Class of Potato Leaf Images](image-url)
Hull, Sphericity, Circularity, Eccentricity and Form Factor for shape feature extraction of images.

**Image Recognition**

Classification is a process, in which one objects distinguished from another. In this research, we employed artificial neural network (ANN) classifier. ANN is a function, in which neurons are passed as input values through function and get output. Weight values of neurons are computed in each layer of ANN and compared with target. It can be optimized or minimized by activation function to get the objective. In artificial neural network (ANN), the net input can be calculated as

\[ Y_i = \sum X_m W_m \]

Confusion Matrix

- Precision Rate (%) = \( \frac{TP}{TP + FP} \) * 100 where, TP is True positive, FP is False positive
- Recall Rate (%) = \( \frac{TP}{TP + FN} \) * 100 where, FN is False negative
- Accuracy (%) = \( \frac{(TP+TN)}{(TP+TN+FP+FN)} \) * 100 where, TN is True Negative

**Result and Discussion**

**Development of ANN Model**

Here, we have used a dataset of potato leaf image which has 2152 image sample. This dataset has 3 class of sample of Healthy Leaf, Early Blight and Late Blight. 76 features are extracted from these images and feed the feature extracted as input. After manipulating neurons and its weights with help Feed Forward Neural Network (FFNN) Model, it creates input layer, two hidden layers and output layer. The analysis of research work has been done with help of Matlab 2017a software. Details of model development are illustrated in Figure 2.

**NN Training Regression**

We have 2152 total sample. For developing model, we have divided sample as 70%, 15%, 15% for training, validation and testing respectively. For research purpose, we considered 20 iteration. Performance goal met at epoch 11 during iteration of model. Figure 3 shows that in training, model achieves 96.26% goal between target and output, in validation, model achieves 92.5% goal between...
target and output, in testing, model achieves 89.69% goal between target and output and in over all, model achieves 94.73% goal between target and output.

**ROC Curve Result**

ROC stands for receiver operating characteristic (ROC). It is a graphical plotting representation which illustrates performance of binary classifier system as its discrimination threshold is varied. The Figure 4 demonstrates the analysis regarding the performance of ROC curves. The curve is formed by plotting true positive rate (TPR) against the false positive rate (FPR) at various threshold settings. The curve of 3 class represents the how better curve falls under correctly identified class and incorrectly identified class.

![ROC Curve Result](image)

**Confusion Matrix Result**

Here, confusion matrix has been plotted between target and output class. Figure 5 shows the confusion matrix result in which class1 reveals 78.5% precision rate, class2 reveals 98% precision rate and class3 reveals 98.3% precision rate. The accuracy of classifier is 96.5%. Hence, we can say that classifier is helpful in early and accurate prediction for identifying the leaf diseases of potato crop.

![Confusion Matrix Result](image)
Conclusion
Crop diseases are a major threat to food security. The rapid and accurate identification of disease remains difficult. This problem can be minimized or solved by recent advances in technology. These technologies are image processing and computer vision. Early blight and Late blight are major disease of potato leaf. It is estimated that the major loss occurred in potato yield due to these diseases. In this research, the develop classifier is based on neural network for prediction and classification of potato image samples. The Feed Forward Neural Network (FFNN) model is used for prediction and classification of unknown leaf. The accuracy of developed model is 96.5%. Classifier is helpful in early and accurate prediction of the leaf diseases of potato crop.

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