A Novel Approach for Polycystic Ovary Syndrome Prediction Using Machine Learning in Bioinformatics

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ABSTRACT Polycystic ovary syndrome (PCOS) is a critical disorder in women during their reproduction phase. The PCOS disorder is commonly caused by excess male hormone and androgen levels. The follicles are the collections of fluid developed by ovaries and may fail to release eggs regularly. The PCOS results in miscarriage, infertility issues, and complications during pregnancy. According to a recent report, PCOS is diagnosed in 31.3% of women from Asia. Studies show that 69% to 70% of women did not avail of a detecting cure for PCOS. A research study is needed to save women from critical complications by identifying PCOS early. The main aim of our research is to predict PCOS using advanced machine learning techniques. The dataset based on clinical and physical parameters of women is utilized for building study models. A novel feature selection approach is proposed based on the optimized chi-squared (CS-PCOS) mechanism. The ten hyper-parametrized machine learning models are applied in comparison. Using the novel CS-PCOS approach, the gaussian naive bayes (GNB) outperformed machine learning models and state-of-the-art studies. The GNB achieved 100% accuracy, precision, recall, and f1-scores with minimal time computations of 0.002 seconds. The k-fold cross-validation of GNB achieved a 100% accuracy score. The proposed GNB model achieved accurate results for critical PCOS prediction. Our study reveals that the dataset features prolactin (PRL), blood pressure systolic, blood pressure diastolic, thyroid stimulating hormone (TSH), relative risk (RR-breaths), and pregnancy are the prominent factors having high involvement in PCOS prediction. Our research study helps the medical community overcome the miscarriage rate and provide a cure to women through the early detection of PCOS.

INDEX TERMS Bioinformatics, data analysis, infertility, machine learning, pregnancy complications, polycystic ovary syndrome, PCOS prediction, syndrome classification.

I. INTRODUCTION

PCOS is a medical ailment [1] which is the main reason for hormonal disorder in women during their reproduction phase. The PCOS arises due to a disorder in hormones [2]. The hormone disorder results in the ovaries growing small amounts of fluid called follicles (cysts). The ovaries are unable to produce eggs due to PCOS, which is the prominent problem women with PCOS have critical complications in pregnancy [3]. PCOS disease is usually inherited and is an unexpected critical situation. The time and cost of countless medical tests are a burden for patients and doctors. A machine learning-based platform must be built for efficient and early prediction of PCOS.

The common indications of PCOS are a more ratio of androgen level (heightened male hormones) [4], an
unbalanced menstrual cycle, polycystic ovaries, and metabolism problems. Early detection of PCOS-related symptoms helps to adopt essential lifestyle changes. During pregnancy, the chances of miscarriage in women with PCOS are more than three times that of women without PCOS. Women with PCOS undergo infertility, resulting in gynaecological cancer [5]. Early detection of PCOS results in saving miscarriage.

PCOS affects many women at an early age. However, they are not diagnosed. Numerous studies show that 69% to 70% of women did not avail of a detecting cure [6]. According to a recent report, PCOS is diagnosed in 4.8% of women of white Americans, 8% of African Americans, 6.8% of women in Spain and 31.3% of women in Asia [7]. Due to these complications and statics, early diagnosis of PCOS is crucial.

The PCOS treatment [8] consists of modification in lifestyle, weight reduction, and an appropriate healthy diet plan. The women’s everyday workout results in minimized free androgen indexed and reduced biochemical hyperandrogenism [9], [10], [11], [12], [13]. Studies show that with the increase in age, the PCOS symptoms become less extreme, and women get menopause [14], [15], [16].

Machine learning (ML) is the core area of computer science. Nowadays, ML allows computers to learn without going from their environment. The ML performs an essential role in the healthcare department [17]. The ML deals with obscure enormous datasets. The ML analyses the data, transform it into a useable form for clinical procedures and assists in identifying the nature of different diseases. The three main types of machine learning are used in the medical field [18].

Medical Image Processing, NLP in medical documentation, and statistical material about genetics are significant applications. Our primary research contributions are as follows:

- A novel CS-PCOS feature selection approach is proposed based on the optimized chi-squared mechanism. The twenty dataset features with a high importance value are selected using the CS-PCOS approach for building machine learning models. By using the CS-PCOS approach, our proposed model outperformed machine learning techniques and past proposed state-of-the-art studies;
- The PCOS exploratory data analysis (PEDA) is conducted to find the data patterns that are the primary cause of PCOS disease. The PEDA is based on graphs, charts, and statistical data analysis;
- The ten advanced machine learning models are applied in comparison to predict PCOS. The applied machine learning techniques are stochastic gradient descent (SGD), linear regression (LIR), random forest (RF), bayesian ridge (BR), support vector machine (SVM), k-neighbors classifier (KNC), multi-layer perceptron (MLP), logistic regression (LOR), gaussian naive bayes (GNB), and gradient boosting classifier (GBC). The GNB model is our proposed model;
- The k-fold cross-validation is applied to validate overfitting in our applied machine learning models. The ten folds of research data are used during the k-fold analysis.
- The machine learning models are generalized and give accurate performance scores for unseen test data.

The remainder of the research study is as follows: Section II is based on the related literature analysis of PCOS. Our research methodology analysis is conducted in Section III. The employed machine learning models for PCOS prediction are examined in Section IV. The scientific results validation and evaluations of our research approaches are analyzed in Section V. The research study concluding remarks are described in Section VI.

II. RELATED WORK

The related literature to our proposed research study is examined in this section. The past applied state-of-the-art study for PCOS prediction is analyzed. The related research findings and proposed techniques are examined.

One of the most common health problems [19] caught in early age women is PCOS disease. PCOS disease is a complicated health dilemma distressing women of childbearing age, which can be identified based on different medical indicators and signs. Accurate identification and detection of PCOS is the essential baseline for appropriate treatment. For this purpose, researchers applied different machine learning approaches such as SVM, random forest, CART, logistic regression and naive bayes classification to identify PCOS patients. After comparing the results, the Random Forest algorithm gave a high performance with 96% accuracy in PCOS diagnostics on a given dataset [20].

Machine learning algorithms were implemented on a dataset of 541 patients, from which 177 have PCOS disease. The dataset consists of 43 features. As all features did not have equal importance, researchers used a feature selection model to rank them according to their value, called the univariate feature selection model. This model is implemented to get ten high-ranked features that can be used to predict the PCOS disease. After splitting the dataset into the train and test portion, different algorithms were implemented to get a result. These models include gradient boosting classifiers [21], logistic regression classifiers, random forest classifiers, RFLR abbreviation of random forest and logistic regression. As a result, the proposed RFLR algorithm achieved a 90.01% accuracy score in classifying the PCOS patients with ten highly ranked features [22].

A new technique was proposed for the early detection and identification of PCOS disease in 2021. The proposed model was based on XGBRF and catBoost. After preprocessing the data, the top 10 attributes were selected by the univariate feature selection method. The classifiers implemented to compare the accuracy results are MLP, decision tree, SVM, HRFLR, random forest, logistic regression, and gradient boosting. Results showed that XGBRF performed with an 89% accuracy score while catBoost outperformed with a 95% accuracy score. The accuracy scores of other classifiers lay between 76% and 85%. The catBoost technique was the best model for the early detection of PCOS disease [23].
Researchers have demonstrated that PCOS identification depends on morphological, biological, clinical processes [24] and methods [25]. Due to advanced technology such as ultrasonography, the surplus follicle has become a critical indicator of polycystic ovarian morphology (PCOM). Since 2003, most researchers have used the inception of twelve follicles (having 2-9 mm measurement in diameter) per complete ovary. However, that now appears to be outdated [26]. The variations in the amount of ovarian volume or having space may also be acknowledged as accurate indicators of PCOS morphology. However, their effectiveness compared with overweight and extra follicles remains mystified.

For the first time, researchers analyzed attributes and characteristics of woman’s genes involved in PCOS with a specific pattern and order. The 233 patients with PCOS participated in the prediction process. Researchers used machine learning algorithms such as decision trees and SVM with various kernel features (linear, polynomial, RBF) and k-nearest neighbor (KNN) to predict PCOS by identifying new genes. From these classifiers, SVM (linear) gave the best accuracy performance as it was 80%, and the KNN accuracy score was between 57% to 79% [3].

According to a stat, every 3 to 4 women from 10 are presently distressed from PCOS. To detect and predict PCOS in the first phase, the authors proposed an automated system which can detect and predict PCOS disease for medical treatment. The authors applied five machine learning models: gaussian naïve Bayes, SVM, k-neighbours, random forest, and logistic regression. They used applied models on a dataset with 41 attributes. The top 30 features were selected by a statistical method. After comparing the results of all five models, it was observed that the accuracy of the random forest model is 90%, while the results of the other models were between 86% and 89%. The random forest model was the proposed approach to detect and predict the PCOS patient [27].

The gene expression classification in bioinformatics using a hybrid machine learning framework was proposed [28]. The proposed genetic model is based on a cuckoo search algorithm using an artificial bee colony (ABC). The six benchmark gene expression dataset was utilized for building a naïve bayes classifier. The study contributes to high accuracy performance compared to the previously published feature selection techniques. The classification of cancer-based on gene expression using a novel framework was proposed [29]. The ABC-based modified metaheuristics optimization technique was applied for the classification task.

The identification of PCOS using a novel immune infiltration and candidate biomarker was proposed in this study [30]. The proposed approach was the machine learning-based logistic regression and support vector machine models. The five datasets were utilized for training and testing the models. The proposed model achieved a 91% accuracy score for PCOS identification. The study contributes to presenting a novel framework for analysis. The mutational landscape screening-based modified PCOS-related genes analysis was proposed in this study [31]. The PCOS-related gene data of nsSNPs of the 27 were selected for analysis.

III. METHODOLOGY

Our research study uses the PCOS-related clinical and physical features dataset for machine learning model building. The dataset feature engineering is done by using the novel proposed CS-PCOS approach. The PCOS exploratory data analysis (PEDA) is applied to figure out the data patterns and factors that are the primary cause of PCOS disease. The dataset is fully preprocessed during feature engineering. The preprocessed dataset is split into two portions train and test. The split ratio used is 80% for training and 20% for the model’s evaluations on unseen test data. The hyper-parametrized model is completely trained and tested. The proposed model is ready to predict the PCOS disease in deployment. The research methodology working flow is examined in Figure 1.

A. POLYCYSTIC OVARY SYNDROME DATASET

The PCOS dataset [32] is utilized in our research study. The clinical and physical parameters of 541 patients are used to create the dataset. The PCOS dataset features are analyzed in Table 1. The dataset contains a total of 41 features. We have filled the null values in our dataset with zero to preprocess the dataset. We have dropped the dataset columns ‘Sl. No’ and ‘Patient File No.’ due to containing unnecessary information. The dataset was collected from ten different hospitals across Kerala in India. The memory usage size of the dataset is 177.6 KB.

B. NOVEL CS-PCOS FEATURE ENGINEERING TECHNIQUE

The feature engineering techniques are applied to transform the dataset features into the best fit for a predictive model with high accuracy. A novel CS-PCOS feature selection approach is proposed based on the optimized chi-squared mechanism. The operational flow of feature selection by the CS-PCOS approach is visualized in Figure 2. The proposed CS-PCOS technique checks the independence by comparing the observed frequencies (categorically data) with the expected frequencies (target data). The proposed CS-PCOS technique extracts the vital value statistics based on goodness of fit. The 39 features are input to our proposed feature selection technique and determine the importance values for each feature.

The feature importance values analysis is demonstrated in Table 2. The essential features have the highest value near one. Furthermore, the element which has zero value is non-vital. The Waist Hip Ratio is the most important in the segment. The feature having zero importance values is dropped. The drop features are Age (yrs), Weight (Kg), BMI, Cycle(R/I), Cycle length(days), Marriage Status (Yrs), FSH(mIU/mL), LH(mIU/mL), FSH/LH, AMH(ng/mL), Vit D3 (ng/mL), PRG(ng/mL), Weight
TABLE 1. The PCOS dataset descriptive feature analysis.

| Sr no. | Feature                  | Non-Null Count | Data Type | Sr no. | Feature                  | Non-Null Count | Data Type |
|--------|--------------------------|----------------|-----------|--------|--------------------------|----------------|-----------|
| 1      | SL No                    | 541            | int64     | 22     | TSH (mIU/L)              | 541            | float64   |
| 2      | Patient File No.         | 541            | int64     | 23     | AMH (ng/mL)              | 540            | float64   |
| 3      | PCOS (Y/N)               | 541            | int64     | 24     | PRL (ng/mL)              | 541            | float64   |
| 4      | Age (yrs)                | 541            | int64     | 25     | Vit D3 (ng/mL)           | 541            | float64   |
| 5      | Weight (Kg)              | 541            | float64   | 26     | PRG (ng/mL)              | 541            | float64   |
| 6      | Height (Cm)              | 541            | float64   | 27     | RBS (mg/dL)              | 541            | float64   |
| 7      | BMI                      | 541            | float64   | 28     | Weight gain (Y/N)        | 541            | int64     |
| 8      | Blood Group              | 541            | int64     | 29     | Hair growth (Y/N)        | 541            | int64     |
| 9      | Pulse rate (bpm)         | 541            | int64     | 30     | Skin darkening (Y/N)     | 541            | int64     |
| 10     | RR (breaths/min)         | 541            | int64     | 31     | Hair loss (Y/N)          | 541            | int64     |
| 11     | Cycle (R/I)              | 541            | int64     | 32     | Pimples (Y/N)            | 541            | int64     |
| 12     | Cycle length (days)      | 541            | int64     | 33     | Fast food (Y/N)          | 540            | float64   |
| 13     | Marraige Status (Yrs)    | 540            | float64   | 34     | Reg. Exercise (Y/N)      | 541            | int64     |
| 14     | Pregnant (Y/N)           | 541            | int64     | 35     | BP Systolic (mmHg)       | 541            | int64     |
| 15     | No of absorptions        | 541            | int64     | 36     | BP Diastolic (mmHg)      | 541            | int64     |
| 16     | FSH (mIU/mL)             | 541            | float64   | 37     | Follicle No. (L)         | 541            | int64     |
| 17     | LH (mIU/mL)              | 541            | float64   | 38     | Follicle No. (R)         | 541            | int64     |
| 18     | FSH/LH                   | 541            | float64   | 39     | Avg. F size (L) (mm)     | 541            | float64   |
| 19     | Hip (inch)               | 541            | int64     | 40     | Avg. F size (R) (mm)     | 541            | float64   |
| 20     | Waist (inch)             | 541            | int64     | 41     | Endometrium (mm)         | 541            | float64   |
| 21     | Waist: Hip Ratio         | 541            | float64   |        |                          |                |           |

C. PCOS EXPLORATORY DATA ANALYSIS (PEDA)

This section analyses the PCOS data and the dataset’s different patterns to understand the cause of PCOS. The analysis focus on 20 features with a significant value selected by the proposed CS-PCOS technique that is used to train the machine learning models. These features are analyzed from other angles using different graphs. The seaborn, pandas and matplotlib libraries of Python are used to visualize the chart.
The count plots are drawn to see the number of instances of both classes in the PCOS dataset. In Figure 4(a), the count plot shows the number of instances of both categories. The no category has 364 instances, and the yes category has 177 instances in the dataset. The dataset is binary class. The 0 indicates No PCOS, and 1 represents Yes PCOS. In Figure 4(b), the pie chart shows the percentage of each class in the dataset. 67.3% of data belong to the PCOS No class, and 32.7% of data belongs to the Yes class.

The 3d scatter plot is to visualize and analyze the most critical feature data point in 3D. It plots data points on three axes to show the relationship between three features. When the value of PRL(ng/mL) is more than 40, and waist Hip Ratio is less than 0.90, PCOS happens, as shown in Figure 5(a). No PCOS occur when the TSH(mmHg) is less than 50 and Bp_Systolic is above 80. Figure 5(b) demonstrates that, When the value of TSH(mmHg) is above 50 and the Bp_Systolic value less than 80, then PCOS happen.

The lmplot is dragged on the dataset’s high-value features to represent the PCOS regression described in Figure 6. The lmplot is a two-dimensional plot that combines regplot and FacetGrid. The FacetGrid class helps visualize the distribution of one variable and the relationship between multiple variables separately within subsets of your dataset using numerous panels. The lmplot is more computationally intensive and is intended as a convenient interface to fit regression models across conditional subsets of a dataset.

In Figure 6(A), a lmplot is drawn between the Hip(inch) and Waist(inch) to visualize the PCOS Regression. As the waist and Hip size increase, the Chance of PCOS increases. In Figure 6(B), the Waist: Hip Ratio and Hb(g/dl) subset is used to analyze the PCOS regression. When the value of Hb(g/dl) is greater than 14 and less than 9, there is more chance of PCOS. Figure 6(C) plots the lmplot between Pregrent(Y/N) and BP_Systolic. This plot shows that if the value of BP_Systolic(mmHg) is 140 and the patient is Pregnant or not, the PCOS does not occur. In Figure 6(D), Blood Group and RR(breath/min) features are taken from the dataset to visualize the Regression plot. When the value of RR(breath/min) is more significant than 25, no PCOS happens. In Figure 6(E), the lmplot is plotted between TSH(mIU/L) and BP_Diastolic(mmHg) feature. When the value of TSH(mIU/L) is between 0 to 20 and BP_Diastolic(mmHg) is 80, there is more chance of PCOS.
In Figure 6(F), No of Abortion and Regular Exercise(Y/N) are taken to visualize the lmplot. When the number of abortions is above three and not doing regular exercise, PCOS does not occur.

The histogram is plotted to analyze the frequency distribution of PCOS Yes or No on imported features in Figure 7. Figure 7(A) plots the Hip(inch) to identify the frequency distribution. The frequency of both classes is highest between 35 and 40. Figure 7(B) plots the histogram on Hb(g/dl). The PCOS yes has the highest count of 60 at HB(g/dl) 11. Furthermore, PCOS class No has a maximum count of 140 before the value of 11. In figure 7(C), the pregnant(Y/N) feature is used to plot the histogram. This graph presents the highest value of both classes at no pregnancy. In Figure 7(D), the
FIGURE 5. In the 3D analysis of features distribution analysis by class.

(a) The Waist Hip Ratio, PRL(ng/mL), and PCOS feature is plotted in 3D scatter plot to visualize the datapoint

(b) The 3D scatter plot is drawn on TSH(mIU/L), BP_Systolic(mmHg), and PCOS(Y/N) features

FIGURE 6. The Implot regression graph analysis of values features with the PCOS class.

BP_Diastolic(mmHg) is taken to plot the histogram. The highest frequency of class 0 is 250 at 80 BP_Diastolic.

In Figure 7(E), the maximum frequency of RR(breath/min) is at a value of 10, which is above 175 for No PCOS and 75 for yes PCOS. In Figure 7(F), the feature TSH(mIU/L) has a frequency between zero and ten. For Yes, PCOS has the highest frequency, 90 at 0 and approximately 340 for No PCOS at a value of 5. In Figure 7(G), BP_systolic (mmHg) feature is taken to analyze the frequency distribution. The BP_systolic (mmHg) the highest frequency is 175 at 100 for No PCOS.

In Figure 7(H), PRL (ng/ml) has the highest frequency at 20, gradually decreasing. In Figure 8(I), the frequency of Waist Hip Ratio is from 0.75 to 0.95. The highest frequency for yes No PCOS is 0.95.

D. DATASET SPLITING
The data splitting is applied to prevent model overfitting and evaluate the trained model on the unseen test portion of the dataset. The PCOS dataset is split into two portions for the training and testing employing machine learning models. The 80:20 ratio is used for dataset splitting. The 80% portion of the dataset is used for model training, and a 20% portion of the dataset is used for employed model’s results evaluations on unseen data. Our research models are trained and evaluated with high accuracy results.

IV. EMPLOYED MACHINE LEARNING TECHNIQUES
The employed machine learning techniques are examined for PCOS prediction in this section. The working mechanism
and mathematical notations for machine learning models are described. The ten predictive machine learning models are under examination for PCOS prediction in our research study.

The stochastic gradient descent (SGD) classifier [33] uses loss functions based on the SGD learning routine for classification. The SGD is used for large-scale learning. The SGD is easy to build and has good efficiency. The SGD efficient optimization model is utilized to minimize a loss function by finding the optimal parameters values of the function. The performance of SGD is based on the loss function. The logistic cost function is expressed in equation 1.

$$\text{Cost}(h_\theta(x), y) = \begin{cases} -\log(h_\theta(x)) & \text{if } y = 1 \\ -\log(1 - h_\theta(x)) & \text{if } y = 0 \end{cases}$$

Linear regression (LIR) [34] is the statistical method used for classification that finds the linear relationship between the dependent variable (y) and independent variables (x). A linear relationship analyses how dependent variable values change according to the independent variable values. The LIR model [35] provides a straight line separating the data points. The regression line in the LIR model minimizes the sum of the Square of Residuals, known as the ordinary least square (OLS). The mathematical notation to express the LIR model is analyzed in equation 2.

$$Y = mX + b$$

The random forest (RF) [36] is a supervised classification model that creates a forest of multiple decision trees. The decision trees are created randomly based on the data samples. Decision nodes represent the features, and tree leaf nodes represent the target output. The majority voting prediction of decision trees is selected as the final prediction. The gini index and entropy are used for data splitting in tress nodes as expressed in equations 3 and 4.

$$\text{Gini index} = 1 - \sum_{i=1}^{R} (P_i)^2$$

$$\text{Entropy}(S) = -p_{(+)} \log p_{(+)} - p_{(-)} \log p_{(-)}$$

The bayesian ridge (BR) [37] algorithm uses probability computations for the classification task. The BR model is suitable for real-world problems where the data is insufficient and poorly distributed. The BR model formulates a linear regression model by using the probability distributors.
Table 3. The best-fit hyperparameters analysis of all employed machine learning models.

| Technique | Hyperparameters |
|-----------|-----------------|
| SGD       | loss=’hinge’, penalty=’l2’, alpha=0.0001, n1_ratio=0.15, max_iter=1000, tol=1e-3, learning_rate=’optimal’ |
| LIR       | copy_X=True, fit_intercept=True, positive=False, normalize=False |
| RF        | max_depth=20, random_state=0, n_estimators=100, criterion=’gini’, max_features=’sqrt’, bootstrap=True |
| BR        | tol=1e-3, n_iter=500, alpha=1=1e-6, lambda_1=1e-6, alpha_2=1e-6, lambda_2=1e-6 |
| SVM       | kernel=’linear’, C=1.0, degree=3, gamma=’scale’, tol=1e-3, cache_size=200, decision_function_shape=’ovr’ |
| KNC       | n_neighbors=3, weights=’uniform’, algorithm=’auto’, metric=’minkowski’, leaf_size=30, p=2 |
| MLP       | hidden_layer_sizes=(100,), activation=’relu’, solver=’adam’, alpha=0.0001, learning_rate=’constant’ |
| LOR       | penalty=’l2’, tol=1e-4, C=1.0, solver=’lbfgs’ |
| GNB       | var_smoothing=1e-9 |
| GBC       | loss=’log_loss’, max_depth=3, learning_rate=0.1, criterion=’friedman_mse’, n_estimators=100 |

The BR model predicts the target (y) by calculating it from a probability distribution instead estimating a single feature value. The mathematical notation to find the y target using the BR model is expressed in equation 5.

\[
p(y | X, w, a) = N(y | Xw, a) \tag{5}
\]

The support vector machine (SVM) [38] is a supervised machine learning model. The SVM is mainly used for classification and regression problems. The primary aim of the SVM model is to best decision boundary that separates the data points into their relevant category in n-dimensional feature space. The best decision boundary in SVM is known as the hyperplane. The SVM model selects the extreme vectors to crate the hyperplane. The vectors are called support vectors. The hyperplane in SVM is used to predict as expressed in equation 6.

\[
h(x_i) = \begin{cases} 
+1 & \text{if } w \cdot x + b \geq 0 \\
-1 & \text{if } w \cdot x + b < 0 
\end{cases} \tag{6}
\]

The k-neighbors classifier (KNC) [39] is the simplest and non-parametric algorithm machine learning model for classification problems. The KNC model calculates the similarity between the data points and places the new input points into a similar category that is similar to each other. The KNC model saves available data and predicts the new data to its suite category based on similarity. The KNC is a lazy learner model because it performs a prediction at the time of classification. It does not learn immediately from the training data. The time computations are high and have low efficiency. The Euclidian distance between data points is found as expressed in equation 7.

\[
E(A_1, A_2) = \sqrt{(X_2 - X_1)^2 + (Y_2 - Y_1)^2} \tag{7}
\]

The MLP classifier (MLP) [40] is a feedforward artificial neural network-based supervised machine learning model. The MLP model [41] is based on types of network layers. The types of layers are input, output and hidden layer. The input layer in the network handles the input data points, and the output layer is responsible for the prediction task. The hidden layer processes the data within the neural network. The MLP uses the back-propagation technique based on data passing in the forward direction. The neurons present in the MLP network are trained with the backpropagation technique. The neurons use nonlinear activation functions between the output and input layers. The weighted sum of the input features in MLP is calculated as analyzed in equation 8.

\[
u(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} w_i x_i \tag{8}
\]

The logistic regression (LOR) [42] is a supervised machine learning model for binary classification. The LOR model [43] forecasts the categorical dependent variable using training data of independent variables. The target class must be in the form of a discrete value. The LOR model gives the probabilistic values. The output values lie between 1 and 0. The LOR is similar to the LIR model, with only a difference in their use. The logistic function of s-shaped formed in the LOR model, which forecasts the values 1 or 0. The logistic function is analyzed in equation 9.

\[
\log\left(\frac{y}{1 - y}\right) = b_0 + b_1 x_1 + b_2 x_2 + \ldots + b_n x_n \tag{9}
\]

The gaussian NB (GNB) [44] is a supervised machine learning model. The GNB model is based on the naive bayes methods and theorem. The GNB technique [45] has the powerful assumption that all the predictors are independent of each other. One feature in a class is independent of another feature in the same class. The GNB utilized gaussian distribution and naive assumptions to predict the target class. The target feature prediction by the GNB model is expressed in equation 10.

\[
P(Y | features) = \frac{P(Y)P(features|Y)}{P(features)} \tag{10}
\]

The gradient boosting classifier (GBC) [46] is an ensemble learning-based Boosting model mainly used for classification and regression tasks. The GBC [47] models work incrementally. The principle of GBC is to build models sequentially by training each base model. The motive is to make a robust model. The several models combine to make a week learner a robust model. Several gradient-boosted trees are involved in making a GBC. The final powerful model has the correction prediction values. The three main components in GBC as loss function, Weak learner and additive model. For classification, the GBC model prediction for the target class is expressed.
in equation 11.

\[ y = \frac{\sum \text{Residual}}{\sum [\text{Prev probability} \times (1 - \text{Prev probability})]} \] (11)

**A. HYPERPARAMETER TUNING**

The iterative training and testing process selects the best-fit hyperparameters [48] for all applied machine learning techniques. The hyper-parameters are selected as final, and a machine learning model gives accurate prediction results. The hyperparameter tuning [49] of our research models is analyzed in Table 3. The analysis demonstrates the parameters utilized to achieve the high-performance metrics score. The hyper-parameters proved very beneficial for our employed machine learning models in this research study.

**V. RESULTS AND DISCUSSIONS**

The results and scientific evaluations of our proposed research study are examined in this section. The Python programming tool and scikit-learn library module are used for building the employed machine learning model. The performance metrics used are the accuracy score, precision score, recall score, and f1-score. The performance metrics are evaluated for scientific validation of our research models. The followings are the essential components of evaluation metrics:

- The predicted values and actual values are positively known as true positive (TP).
- The predicted values and actual values are negative, known as true negative (TN).
- The actual value is negative, and the predicted value is positive, refers as false positive (FP).
- The actual value is positive, and the predicted value is negative, which refers to false negative (FN).

The employed model’s accuracy score shows how much the model is good in prediction. The accuracy is also related to the error rate of a model. Higher the accuracy, lower the error rate. The accuracy is determined by dividing the correct number of predictions by the total number. The accuracy score of our proposed model is 100%. Mathematically, the accuracy score is demonstrated as:

\[ \text{Accuracy score} = \frac{TP + TN}{TP + TN + FP + FN} \] (12)

The precision score of a learning model is also known as positive predictive value. The precision is measured by the positively predicted label proportion that is positive. The precision, in general, calculates the employed model accuracy in predicting a data sample as positive. The precision score of our proposed model is 100%. The mathematical notations to express precision scores are as follows:

\[ \text{Precision score} = \frac{TP}{TP + FP} \] (13)

The recall score of employed models is the measure of how many of the TP were recalled (found) correctly. The recall is also called the sensitivity of a learning model. The recall score of our proposed model is 100%. The mathematical notations to define the recall are as follows:

\[ \text{Recall score} = \frac{TP}{TP + FN} \] (14)

The f1 score is the statistical measure that sums up a predictive model’s performance by combining the precision and recall values. The f1 measure is the harmonic mean between the recall and precision. The f1 score of our proposed model is 100%. The mathematical equation to calculate the f1 score is expressed as:

\[ F1 - \text{score} = \frac{2 \times (\text{Precision} \times \text{Recall})}{\text{Precision} + \text{Recall}} \] (15)

The comparative performance metrics analysis of applied learning models is conducted in Table 4. The time complexity computations and performance metrics results are calculated without using our proposed approach. The analysis demonstrated that all applied learning models achieved average scores in predicting PCOS. From the analysis and Figure 8, the highest accuracy, precision, recall, and f1 score is 89%, achieved by RF and GBC techniques. The minimum accuracy score is 70%, the precision score is 68%, the recall score is 70%, and the f1 score is 68% achieved by the KNC technique. The time complexity analysis describes that KNC have less training time of 0.002. However, also have low-performance metrics scores.

The performance metrics comparative analysis of applied learning models is conducted in Table 5. The performance metrics results and time complexity computations are calculated using our proposed approach. The analysis demonstrated that all applied learning models achieved the highest

| Technique | Training time(second) | Accuracy (%) | Precision (%) | Recall (%) | F1-score (%) |
|-----------|-----------------------|--------------|---------------|------------|--------------|
| SGD       | 0.006                 | 79           | 82            | 79         | 79           |
| LIR       | 0.034                 | 84           | 85            | 84         | 85           |
| RF        | 0.193                 | 89           | 89            | 89         | 89           |
| BR        | 0.014                 | 84           | 85            | 84         | 84           |
| SVM       | 0.666                 | 88           | 88            | 88         | 88           |
| KNC       | 0.002                 | 70           | 68            | 70         | 68           |
| MLP       | 0.472                 | 83           | 83            | 83         | 83           |
| LGR       | 0.042                 | 80           | 80            | 80         | 80           |
| GNB       | 0.003                 | 81           | 81            | 81         | 81           |
| GBC       | 0.259                 | 89           | 89            | 89         | 89           |

The comparative performance evaluation of employed machine learning models for unseen test data without using the proposed technique.
performance metrics scores in predicting the PCOS. From the analysis and Figure 9, the highest accuracy, precision, recall, and f1 score is 100%, achieved by LIR, RF, BR, SVM, LOR, GNB, and GBC techniques. The minimum accuracy score is 56%, the precision score is 53%, the recall score is 56%, and the f1 score is 54%, achieved by the KNC technique. The time
complexity analysis describes that GNB has less training time of 0.002. However, the GNB have high-performance metrics scores. The GNB is our proposed model for predicting the PCOS.

The classification report analysis by individual target class for each employed learning model is examined in Table 6.

The classification report values are calculated for the models using the proposed approach. The analysis demonstrates that the KNC and SDG have low accuracy scores in class-wise metrics evaluations. The outperformed GNB model has achieved 100% scores in classification report analysis.

To validate the overfitting of employed machine learning models, we have applied the k-fold cross-validation technique as analyzed in Table 7. The 10 folds of the dataset are used for validation. The analysis demonstrates that techniques achieved 100% scores using our proposed approach and 100% accuracy using the k-fold techniques. Figure 10 shows the accuracy of comparative analysis of employed models by using the k-fold validation. The visualized analysis demonstrates that the MLP model achieved 99%, and by using k-fold, 98% accuracy was achieved. The SGD and KNC models achieve the lowest accuracy scores in this analysis. In conclusion, all employed models are validated using k-fold technique. The k-fold analysis demonstrates that our employed machine learning models are not overfitted. Models are in generalize form and accurate results on unseen test data.
TABLE 8. The performance validation comparative analysis with the past applied state-of-the-art approaches.

| Literature | Year | Learning Type | Proposed Technique | Accuracy (%) | Recall (%) | Precision (%) |
|------------|------|---------------|--------------------|--------------|------------|---------------|
| [22]       | 2020 | Machine Learning | RPLR              | 91           | 90         | 89            |
| Proposed   | 2022 | Machine Learning | CS-PCOS + GNB      | 100          | 100        | 100           |

FIGURE 11. The confusion matrix validation analysis of our proposed model.

The comparative analysis of past applied state-of-the-art studies is examined in Table 8. The comparison parameters are the year, learning type, proposed technique, accuracy score, recall score, and precision score. The analysis demonstrates that using our novel proposed CS-PCOS technique, the outperformed GNB model achieved the highest scores compared with the past proposed techniques. Our proposed model outperformed the state of art studies.

The confusion matrix analysis is conducted to validate our performance metrics scorers as analyzed in Figure 11. The analyzed confusion matrix is for outperformed GNB model. The analysis demonstrates that 70 samples are found as TP, and 39 samples are found as TN. The 0 samples are found for FN and FP in this analysis. The confusion matrix validates our proposed model for achieving the 100% accuracy score in predicting the PCOS.

VI. CONCLUSION

The prediction of PCOS disease using data of 541 patients through machine learning is proposed in this research study. A novel CS-PCOS feature selection technique is proposed. The ten machine learning techniques are SGD, LIR, RF, BR, SVM, KNC, MLP, LOR, GNB, and GBC applied in comparison. The proposed GNB outperformed with a 100% accuracy score and time computation of 0.002 by using the proposed CS-PCOS feature selection techniques. The state of art studies comparison shows that the proposed model outperformed. The proposed model’s overfitting is validated using a tenfold cross-validation technique. Our research study concludes that the dataset features prolactin (PRL), blood pressure systolic, blood pressure diastolic, thyroid stimulating hormone (TSH), relative risk (RR-breaths), and pregnancy are the most prominent factors having high involvement in PCOS prediction. The study limitations and in future work, we will enhance the dataset by collecting more data on PCOS-related patients and applying data balancing techniques. Also, the deep learning-based will be applied for PCOS prediction.

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