Epileptic Seizure Diagnosis Using EEG Signals

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Abstract—To measure and track human performance and physiological state, a great number of biomedical data such as the electroencephalographic (EEG) signal is collected from the human body every day. For research and for medical diagnosis and treatment, understanding these signals is critical. There are many research and development projects within this field, but there are weaknesses point, including their reliance on specific registration technologies, low accuracy and timing of implementations. In this paper a computer-aided system are used for diagnosing epileptic seizures more accurately using electronic imaging data. The framework relies on identifying (EEG) signals for use in linear and non-linear applications. This study was conducted using six algorithms of machine learning algorithms which are logistic regression (LR), support vector machine (SVM), k-Nearest Neighbors (KNN), Gaussian Naive Bayes, Artificial Neural Networks (ANN), Principal Component Analysis (PCA). Also, improve surrogate data technique are used for feature extractions that depend on Fourier transforms (FT). It was concluded that the classifier (SVM) works better and showed high accuracy in the classification of data taken for all epilepsy cases.

Keywords—Electroencephalograms (EEG), epilepsy, machine learning techniques (MLT).

I. INTRODUCTION

Because of the increase in diseases in recent years as a result of wars and their effects, it has contributed to the increase and emergence of many new and complex physical and psychological diseases. One of the most common diseases is epilepsy[1]. In 1875, the English physician, Richard Canton, discovered electrical currents in the brain responsible for elliptic seizure [2]. According to the latest study, more than 2% of the population worldwide is affected from epilepsy where 85% of those live in developing countries and has adverse effects on their daily life and productivity[3]. Epilepsy is a critical neurological brain disorder originating from temporary abnormal discharges of the brain electrical activity, leading to uncontrollable movements and trembling[4], resulting in altered behaviors, such as losing consciousness, jerky movements, temporary loss of breath and memory loss[5]. There are many injuries that can lead to epilepsy, the most important of which are (Genetic injury, head injury, brain tumor, birth trauma, ext . . .). The general detection of epileptic activity requires manual scanning of EEG recordings, which commonly takes several days to complete[2]. Visual inspection for discriminating EEG signals is time-consuming, imprecise, and costly, especially in the case of long-term recordings [4]. CAD (computer-aided diagnosis) play an important role to develop robust and reliable techniques for epileptic activity detection in EEG signals [6]. EEG is collected by placing electrodes on the scalp of the patient. One can then, record the electro-activity that the brain produce along the scalp [16]. Computer-aided diagnosis (CAD) systems in the medical field can be viewed as cutting-edge expert and intelligence systems in
the interface of medicine and computer science. CAD systems in medicine may use diagnostic rules to emulate the way a skilled human expert makes diagnostic decisions[7]. Nowadays, many researchers have used different techniques and methods such as using time-frequency analysis [8], naïve bayes and K-NN classifiers [7], multi-domain feature extraction and nonlinear analysis [3], a multi-context learning approach[12], logistic model trees [9], Innovative genetic programming [6], EEG signals [13], biomedical signals [4], deep learning approach [15], a computer aided analysis scheme [7], by which people with epilepsy are detected. These methods are completely different from the way that has been used in the past, where epileptic seizures are diagnosed by clinical observation and recent changes recorded[8]. In the clinical contexts, the main diagnosis of EEG is to discover abnormalities of brain activities referred to the epileptic seizure. A seizure occurs when the neurons generate uncoordinated electrical discharges that spread throughout the brain and epilepsy is a recurrent seizure disorder caused by abnormal electrical discharges from brain cells, often in the cerebral cortex [9]. In 1929, Hans Berg discovered the possibility of recording electrical impulses in the human brain[5], these records are called (EEG) test is commonly used to diagnose epilepsy[10]. There are more than one classifications techniques are used such as(logistic regression, SVM, K-NN, Gaussian Naïve Bayes, ANN, PCA). the Classification is the process of finding a model that describes and distinguished data classes.

II. RELATED WORKS

Zakarey aLasefr, et al, 2017 [19]: suggested Efficient Automated Technique for Epilepsy Seizure Detection Using EEG signals .They suggest using three classification algorithms (KNN, ANN, and SVM) to identify epilepsy by relying on EEG signals. They also process and apply filters to these signals to remove unwanted noise. Ye Yuan, et al, 2017 [24]: proposed a multi-context learning approach for EEG epileptic seizure detection .They generated EEG sequences from EEG records by using wave transduction to describe the frequency content over time. The experimental results indicate that the representative context features can be obtained from the suggested model from a number of viewpoints and thus enhance the efficiency of EEG seizure detection. Lina Wang, et al, 2017[2] proposed Automatic Epileptic Seizure Detection in EEG Signals Using Multi-Domain Feature Extraction and Nonlinear Analysis .In there paper, a multi-domain feature extraction method and nonlinear analysis of EEG signals were used. The wavelet threshold method was also used to extract the nonlinear pickling features. Relying on this method. The experimental findings revealed that the suggested epileptic seizure detection approaches achieved a high point, suggesting that this approach is successful in the diagnosis of epilepsy. Yash Paul, et al, 2018 [3] proposed various epileptic seizure detection techniques using biomedical signals presents a novel analysis system for detecting epileptic seizure from EEG signals .The OAT method and the LMT method were used to detect epileptic seizures, based on EEG signals. The OAT method are used for identifying the analogue EEG signals and a LMT method are used for extracting statistical features from the EEG signals was used to detect epilepsy. These methods showed a good percentage compared with modern methods of detecting epileptic seizures.

III. MATERIALIZED VIEWS

The key challenge of any automated epileptic seizure detection method is the extraction of the distinguishing features from EEG signals as it significantly affects the performance of the classifier. In this paper we will use the EEG signals to detect epileptic seizures, this test is one of the most important modern tests to obtain high results in diagnosing people with epilepsy. Also, the database used in this research is available to the public and is divided into groups(A-E) Each group contains a number of different people It also contains people with epilepsy in various cases. there are many techniques have been developed for EEG classifications in different fields such as (logistic regression ,K-NN, ANN,SVM, PCA, Gaussian naïve bayes, ext...), an overview of classification methods in these six methods is provided., samples of EEG signals are shown in Figure 1.
IV. PROPOSED METHODS

The proposed model can be divided into six parts (EEG Dataset, Feature Extraction, Feature Matrix, Preprocessing, Classification Technique), as shown in Figure 2.

4.1 EEG Dataset

The dataset used in this study is open to the public. The research dataset consisted of 5 separate directories, each of 100 items, each item is a single subject/person file. The brain activity is recorded for 23.6 seconds for each item. The data collection is brain EEG data for 500 people, where 100 with epileptics and 400 are healthy. PCI-MIO 16E Data Acquisition card system is used for recording EEG signals. This system provides real-time processing, and it requires Lab View software and a personal computer. The EEG signals transition from analog to digital using International 10-20 electrode placement system.

4.2 Feature Extraction

Feature extraction of the signal is used to remove unwanted signal components. The surrogate data technique is used for EEG feature extraction. Surrogate analysis of data is a method to test the existence of non-linearity in a time sequence. It has the same linear statistical properties as the original data, such as amplitude distribution, mean, variance, and power spectrum. Each column is a feature for a specific model, where features are 4096 surrogate data. Surrogate data aims to produce new data that have the same power spectrum and distribution as a given time series. In this case, the time series is the brain EEG captured signal.

4.3 Feature Matrix

The process of feature extracting that extracted from the previous process is a matrix of the rank 500 * 178 where the 500 represents the total number of people used as dataset, and the 178 is the point file value. These values were calculated for each person within one second and since the data recording process was for 23.6 seconds per person, this means that for each person there are 23 identical matrices.

Fig.1: Sample of EEG signal.

Fig.2: Proposed method.
4.4 Preprocessing

After performing the feature extraction using the surrogate method and transferring the data to the values in this stage, we will perform the preprocessing on these values, the preprocessing include a (checking missing data, feature scaling, feature analysis). After the data extracted the preprocessing operation applied on the data the first step in the preprocessing is:

a- Checking missing data: to converts the data into a clean dataset that can be easily handled and performed many operations on it. The linear time series analysis (Linear Interpolation) will be use to deal with missing data, it is characterized by ease and speed of implementation. This method will used Mean \( (X_{\text{mean}}) \), medium \( (X_{\text{medium}}) \), mod \( (X_{\text{mod}}) \) the mean is a very basic imputation method, it is the only tested function that takes no advantage of the time series characteristics or relationship between the variables, It is very fast.

b- Feature scaling: are preserved on the data, it used to normalize the range of independent variables or features of data. In data processing, it is also known as data normalization and is generally performed during the data preprocessing steps. Scaling the data distribution to normal standard Gaussian was applied to the samples before they were passed to Training samples to optimize the functions for Classified.

c- Feature analysis: for analysis the data the (EDA) will be used exploratory data analysis (EDA) is a technique for the analysis of collecting data, to describe their basic characteristics. EDA is mainly concerned with seeing what the data may teach us outside the standard of modeling or hypothesis testing process.

4.5 Classification Techniques

After the completion of the preprocessing stage and obtaining the clean data, we will classify these data, by using six methods which are (LR, SVM, PVC, AN, K-NN, and Gaussian naive bayes). We will classify the data.

4.5.1 Logistic Regression Algorithm

Logistic Regression is the method for binary classification. It gives a discrete binary outcome between 0 and 1. In this thesis we will use a Logistic Regression algorithm for detection epileptic seizure, it takes data set signals as an input and should tell if a patient has epilepsy (1) or not (0). LR consist on the flowing components as show in figure (3).

![Fig 3: logistic regression component.](image)

4.5.2 Support Vector Machine (SVM)

SVM is the second classification technique in the proposed system. A statistical learning algorithm that classifies the samples using a subset of training samples called support vectors. Considered as a powerful tool of real data classification. Considered a powerful tool for classifying real data. This is known to be a biased classifier that locates a dividing hyperplane between the two categorized classes, which defines the largest minimum distance between such classes.

4.5.3 K-Nearest Neighbors

K-nearest neighbor (KNN) classifier is in the first group, where whole data is divided into training data and testing data point. Distance from all training data to testing data is evaluated, candidate the point with the lowest distance is called the nearest neighbor. The K-NN algorithm structure are show in figure (4).
4.5.4 Gaussian Naive Bayes

It is based on Bayes theory and assumes that the effect of an attribute value on a given class is independent of the values of the other attributes. This assumption is called class conditional independence. In figure (5) the Gaussian Naive Bayes algorithm with the data was clarified.

4.5.5 Artificial Neural Networks (ANN)

It is the five classification technique in the proposed system. Neural networks are typically organized in layers. A number of nodes, which include an activation function are built in layers. Patterns are shown to the network via the 'input layer' which passes to one or more external(hidden) layer, where the definite action is made through a weighted connections method. The hidden layers are then connected to an exit layer where the answer is executed.

4.5.6 Principal Component Analysis (PCA)

Principal component analysis (PCA) is a method to minimize the measurements (dimension) to a small number that still includes much details in a large collection of variables.

V. The Result

In this section we will perform the preprocessing results of the selected dataset.

1. Checking Missing Data Results

After entering the dataset we will check for any missing data in the dataset and ensuring that there is no data are lost in the dataset. It represents the checking of the missing data where (X) is the feature and (0) mean that there is no value are missing.
Table(1) Checking Missing Data

|Unnamed| X1  | X2  | X3  | X4  | X5  | X6  | X7  | X8  | X9  | X10 | X175 | X176 | X177 | X178 | Y   |
|--------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|------|------|------|-----|
|0       | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0   |

2. Feature Analysis Using (EDA) Results

We use exploratory data analysis to analyzing datasets to summarize their main characteristics, often with visual methods. After analyzing the data was represented as a sample of these data as show in figure (6).

Fig 6: Representing the selected samples from the dataset.

3. Training And Testing Data

After we split the data into training and testing, we randomly chose the sample the go to training data and testing data. The data has been divided to training and testing as show in the table 2.

Table (2): Training And Testing Data.

|           | Training data | Testing data | total |
|-----------|---------------|--------------|-------|
| Epileptic | 80            | 20           | 100   |
| Non Epileptic | 320     | 80           | 400   |
| Total     | 400           | 100          | 500   |
VI. Classification Results

In our work we are provide statistical analysis of the six Machine Learning classification methods used to identify the epilepsy seizure.

| Classification Methods | ACC     | Execution Time |
|------------------------|---------|----------------|
| Logistic regression    | 82.23%  | 0.427051s      |
| SVM                    | 98.18%  | 2.062404s      |
| KNN                    | 82.23%  | 4.286700s      |
| Gaussian naïve bayes   | 95.47%  | 0.032489s      |
| ANN                    | 95.47%  | 87.616128s     |
| PCA                    | 88.0%   | 4.286700s      |

Table (3) algorithm results

Comparison with research and previous studies

As we can see from Table 4, we have compared the performance and the results of our proposed method to a number of the existing methods that were carefully studied in the literature review. It is clear from the table that our method has outperformed the existing methods in the literature.

| Author                  | Title                                                                 | Methods | ACC     |
|-------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|---------|
| a Zakareya Lasêfr, [19]| An Efficient Automated Technique for Epilepsy Seizure Detection Using EEG signals | SVM     | 95%     |
| b R.Panda and P.S. Khobragade [20]| Classification of EEG Signal Using Wavelet Transform and Support Vector Machine for Epileptic Seizure Diction | SVM     | 98.18%  |
| c Zakareya Lasêfr et al [13]| Epilepsy Seizure Detection Using EEG signals | SVM     | 96.2%   |
| d E. Juarez-Guerra V. Alarcon-Aquino, P. Gomez- | Epilepsy Seizure Detection in EEG Signals Using Wavelet Transforms and Neural Networks | ANN     | 93.23%  |
VII. Conclusions

Several conclusions have been deduced from the obtained test results. In the following some of these conclusions are listed: The SVM algorithm has proven to be the appropriate algorithm to work on classification of large data for comprehensive EEG signals for all registrations and all conditions of people with epilepsy. Use an improve surrogate data method to analyze data and features extractions from EEG signals, that have proven their efficiency by obtaining high accuracy and less time compared to research and other studies that have been compared with them. They use the same dataset and the same classifier (SVM). Where it requires recording large amounts of data and to deal with data we need to record and classify it. It was concluded that epilepsy varies from one person to another, as it is diagnosed with accustomed to identifying the affected areas in the brain, and accordingly. For the purpose of reaching high-accuracy results by classification, the base of the pant should be very large and includes records for different times and conditions. When using linear and non-linear algorithms it was concluded that non-linear algorithms gave better results in dealing with big data whereby when standard SVM was used a classification accuracy of 98.3%. However, the linear SVM gave a 82.14% classification accuracy. To obtain a clean and easy data, the linear time series method presented an effective and complete data with zero loss rate. The using six algorithms from the machine learning algorithms were used to classify the dataset, It was found that three of them achieved high ratios (SVM, ANN, GNB), and the rest (KNN,LR,PCA) achieved lower results compared to the first three algorithms.

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