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Transforming Tuberculosis Care: The Role of Deep Learning Models in MDR-TB Prediction

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Abstract

Multidrug-resistant TB(MDR-TB), a subtype of TB that remains a global health issue, is a significant barrier to detection and treatment. With a focus on MDR-TB prediction and early identification, this paper investigates the revolutionary implications of AI and ML in TB treatment. This research uses a range of sources to explore possible risks, demographic integration, and the performance of ML algorithms. The literature review focuses on the prospects of DL for TB-diagnosis, covering current breakthroughs, challenges, and resources like UNet and TBXNet. Critical reviews examine the generalizability of AI models, ethical implications, and cost-effectiveness. The study highlighted many important tasks, including exploring demographic integration, examining financial ramifications, and developing optimal ML models. Considering ethical issues and overcoming difficulties in various healthcare settings, the findings suggest that AI and ML may be effective in TB detection.

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1. INTRODUCTION

Tuberculosis (TB) is a key source of disease and death for millions of people worldwide. TB remains a significant threat, especially in low-income nations, despite massive worldwide efforts to control and eradicate the disease. The first step in treating TB, decreasing the disease's burden on public health systems, and preventing transmission is an accurate and timely diagnosis.

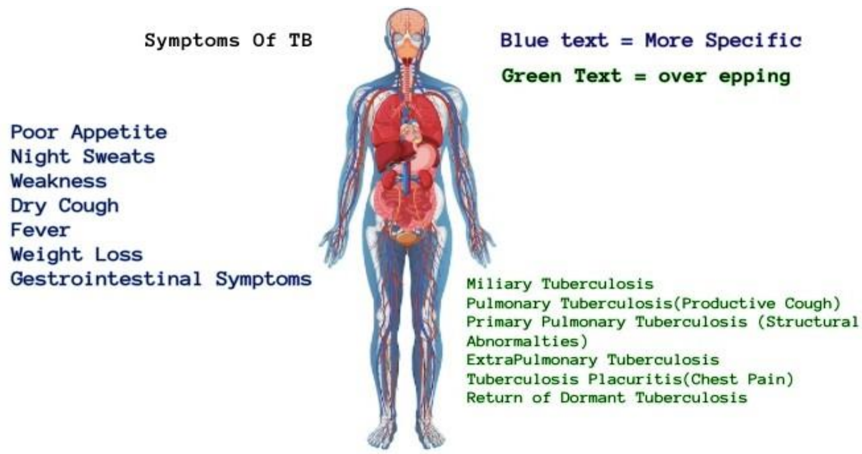

Fig. 1. Symptoms Of TB

In early stage or extra pulmonary TB cases, traditional diagnostic procedures, such as chest radiography and sputum smear microscopy, may be inadequate [1, 2]. Problems arise due to the subjective character of visual interpretation of chest radiographs [3]. New opportunities for better TB detection and diagnosis have emerged, however, thanks to developments in Artificial Intelligence (AI) and ML algorithms. [4, 5].

Convolutional neural networks (CNNs), ensemble methods such as support vector machine(SVMs) and decision tree, and other AI-driven diagnostic techniques have been shown to be the most effective in identifying and classifying TB lesions using clinical and demographic data.[6, 7] The use of these algorithms to automate image processing and improve diagnostic accuracy might completely alter TB diagnosis [8] New personalized diagnostic tests based on biomarkers related to TB infection, medication resistance, and treatment efficacy have been developed thanks to the integration of molecular diagnostics with AI, which has further improved TB characterization and diagnosis[9]. In addition, there is encouraging evidence that using demographic data in AI models might improve diagnosis accuracy and pave the way for customized treatment plans [10]. There are still obstacles to overcome, such as the demand for high-quality data to train AI models and ethical and legal concerns, even with recent breakthroughs [11]. The limited availability of resources in certain areas also makes it difficult to apply AI-driven diagnostic systems nationwide [12]. To ensure that AI-driven diagnostic tools can scale and work in different healthcare settings, these obstacles must be thoroughly investigated [13, 14].

There is great promise for AI-driven TB diagnosis to improve patient outcomes, decrease diagnostic delays, and reduce the worldwide impact of TB. It has the potential to transform the diagnosis and treatment of tuberculosis, especially in underprivileged areas [15]. Furthermore, by combining several imaging techniques with ML algorithms, we may be able to better understand the causes of tuberculosis and improve the precision of diagnosis [16]. More investment and research on the use of AI in TB control and management is crucial if this promising technology is to play a role in the fight against TB on a global scale [17]. This paper seeks to achieve several things:

- To examine and evaluate current breakthroughs in AI-driven TB diagnosis, with a focus on DL algorithms applied to chest radiographs and other imaging modalities.
- To evaluate the sensitivity, specificity, and clinical utility of existing TB diagnostic models that include artificial intelligence.
- To look at the possible impacts of combining graphic and clinical data in AI-powered TB diagnostic algorithms, as well as to assess the repercussions for their accuracy.
- To identify the inadequacies and problems of current AI-based TB detection systems and provide solutions to address them.
- To discuss where we may go next with AI and ML for TB detection, taking into consideration new technologies and data sources.

Recent advances in AI and ML have offered new ways to address the challenge of establishing accurate diagnoses, which has been a major obstacle to successful TB management and treatment. DL algorithms and other AI-driven technologies perform very well compared to more traditional techniques of TB diagnosis using chest radiographs. The exceptional sensitivity and specificity of certain AI models, particularly CNNs, can allow rapid and reliable diagnoses even in regions

with few resources and access to qualified medical professionals.
Finally, the use of ML to the diagnosis of TB is causing a paradigm shift in the area. This is paving the path for more efficient, targeted, and economical TB controls by offering fresh approaches to old issues. Research and funding in this vital area of global health must continue since both the field as a whole and AI-driven solutions may contribute significantly to the battle against TB. The accuracy of AI models' diagnoses has also been enhanced by using demographic information such as gender, age, weight, and height.
Researchers improved prediction capability and personalized diagnostic approaches by expanding the area under the receiver operating characteristic (ROC) curve (AUC) values by combining demographic data with DL algorithms. The use of ML approaches has caused a dramatic change in TB diagnosis. Better, more precise and less expensive ways of managing illness have emerged because of this. Since this area of global health is undergoing rapid study and AI-driven techniques may have an ever-increasing influence on TB eradication efforts, continuous funding and cooperation are essential.

2. LITERATURE REVIEW

The current methods of computer-assisted tuberculosis diagnosis have been criticized in the research by Iqbal et al. [18], which argues that these approaches should be reevaluated. It fixes the problems with current methods and opens up new avenues for study. According to Rahman et al. [19], the goal of autonomous diagnosis of active pulmonary TB using computed tomography images is to create and test an automated method for identifying active tuberculosis in the lungs using multiline spiral CT images. Tuberculosis (TB) tests might benefit from DL's use. According to Puttagunta et al. [20], GenTB offers a genome-based, ML-powered, and user-friendly tuberculosis resistance prediction. Insights on tuberculosis resistance prediction using genetic data are made available by the platform.
Kouchaki et al. [21] provides a two-stage classification method for tuberculosis (TB) culture identification that makes use of CNNs and transfer learning. The approach shows potential in enhancing diagnostic accuracy. The search used an automated ML system developed by Chang and Chiu [22] using simulated data to make TB predictions. Reviewing many layers of synthetic data suggests that this method may provide reliable tuberculosis diagnoses. Bridget et al. [23] examines the worldwide burden of tuberculosis and the possibilities of ML-based CAD in Advancements in Tuberculosis Diagnosis. Possible future applications in tuberculosis diagnostics include genetic algorithms, deep learning, neuro-fuzzy logic, and technological tools like CAD4TB.
Wang et al. [24] used Canny Edge Detection and Enhanced Imaging to detect tuberculosis (TB) with a 93.59 percent accuracy rate by combining visual lung imaging with enhanced X-ray images. The enhanced findings shown by the composite technique, which included several characteristics, demonstrate the promise of combining various imaging modalities for precise tuberculosis diagnosis. Lin and Chang found that compared to conventional screening approaches, AI-based chest radiograph (CXR) analysis lowered expenditures for tuberculosis (TB) triage by 19 percent [25]. When compared to GeneXpert tests, the method lowered expenses by 37 percent, indicating potential for cost-effectiveness and improved diagnostic efficiency.
Ma et al. [26] developed and validated an automatic detection system for active pulmonary tuberculosis (TB) using multi-slice spiral CT images. Based on deep learning techniques, their approach shows promise in accurately identifying TB from medical imaging data. Grschel et al. [27] introduced GenTB a user-friendly machine learning-powered genome-based predictor of tuberculosis resistance. This tool offers a novel approach to predict TB resistance, potentially aiding clinicians in optimizing treatment strategies.
Lin et al. [28] proposed a two-stage classification approach for TB culture diagnosis using CNNs with transfer learning. Their method demonstrates enhanced accuracy in distinguishing TB-positive from TB-negative cultures, providing valuable support for clinical decision-making. Rashidi et al. [29] developed a prediction model for TB using an automated machine learning framework taught on simulated data. This innovative approach holds promise for early TB detection and proactive disease management. Sethanan et al. [30] proposed a computer-aided diagnosis system utilizing embedded ensemble deep learning for multiclass drug-resistant TB classification.
Ahmad and Shin [31] presented a perceptual encryption-based image communication system for DL-based TB diagnosis leveraging healthcare cloud services. Their system ensures secure transmission of medical images while aging deep learning for accurate TB diagnosis. Samaneh Kouchaki et al. [32] applies machine learning techniques to analyze TB drug resistance, offering insights into the genetic factors influencing resistance patterns. Their study contributes to a deeper understanding of TB treatment strategies.
Rahman et al. [33] proposed a method that utilizes deep pre-trained networks as feature extractors combined with XG-Boost for TB detection from chest X-ray images. Their approach demonstrates improved accuracy in the detection of tuberculosis, highlighting the potential of deep learning in medical imaging analysis. Denholm et al. [34] developed a predictive model for the status of bovine tuberculosis in dairy cows using deep learning techniques applied to milk mid-infrared spectral data. Their model offers a noninvasive approach to the surveillance of TB in livestock populations. Msonda et al. [35] proposed spatial pyramidal grouping deep convolutional networks for automatic det al. [s of TB, enhancing feature representation and classification accuracy. Their method shows promise in improving the dectection rates of tuberculosis from medical images.

Mamalakis et al. [36] presented DenResCov-19, a deep transfer learning network for robust automated classification of COVID-19, pneumonia, and TB from X-rays. Their model provides a comprehensive solution for differentiating between respiratory diseases, aiding in timely and accurate diagnosis.

2.1. CRITICAL ANALYSIS

The literature review discusses current and promising breakthroughs in the application of AI and ML for the diagnosis of tuberculosis, focusing on considerable gains in both precision and efficiency. Important problems, such as data quality, adaptability to various healthcare settings, and ethical concerns about using AI for the diagnosis of tuberculosis, are not considered. These limits should be examined further to ensure that AI technologies are utilized equitably and ethically in TB management.

3. DATASET

3.1. TB IMAGE DATASET

The Mycobacterium tuberculosis (MTB) bacteria are the typical culprits behind the infectious illness known as tuberculosis (TB). Although tuberculosis most often affects the lungs, it has the potential to spread to other organs as well. In cases when no outward signs of infection are present, the disease is referred to as latent TB [38]. The tuberculosis-causing germs are transmitted via the respiratory secretions of an infected individual. Most TB infected individuals show no signs of illness. Fever, night sweats, weight loss, and a cough (often with a reddish tint) are the most common symptoms that might manifest. People who do not have any symptoms may not always need treatment. Patients experiencing active symptoms will need an extensive round of antibiotics. The data in this collection are from a sputum sample and pertain to tuberculosis. To collect a sputum sample, specialized software and hardware are needed. Because there are 928 images of sputum with 3734 bacilli in the bounding boxes. while the XML file includes information about the photos' bounding boxes

3.2. TB CHEST X-RAY DATABASE

The data set [39] medical professionals from Hamad Medical Corporation in Bangladesh and Qatar University in Doha, Qatar, as well as colleagues from the University of Dhaka in Bangladesh and Malaysia have collaborated to compile a database of chest radiograph images indicating positive cases for tuberculosis (TB) and normal images. With this release, we have 700 publicly available tuberculosis photos, 2800 that may be obtained through the NIAID TB portal [37] with agreement, and 3500 that are considered normal.

3.3. MULTIDRUG-RESISTANT TUBERCULOSIS (MDR-TB)

In this set of data [40], World Health Organization's estimations for the following: TB mortality rate; TB incidence rate; case fatality ratio; treatment coverage rate (formerly known as case detection rate); percentage of tuberculosis (TB) patients with rifampicin-resistant (RR-TB) infection; RR/MDR-TB infection among reported pulmonary TB cases; and latent TB infection among children under the age of five.

3.4. DATA CLEANING

Before feeding datasets into ML models, a thorough preparation process was carried out. This included image normalization, dealing with missing demographic data, and confirming data consistency. The data were extensively cleansed to eliminate any irregularities or inconsistencies that might have hampered the model's training and performance.

4. COAXNET ARCHITECTURE

Here is the methodology diagram of CoAxNet Node which combines the Coatnet and XGboost model and makes a single prediction from both models. XGBoost's superior performance with structured data, scalability, and robustness made it the clear option. Using gradient boosting, this ensemble learning strategy systematically combines weak learners to create a strong prediction model. Many ML tasks may be completed with help, given support for missing data, regularization techniques, and parallel computing. CoATNet, short for Convolutional Attention Network, is a cutting-edge CNN architecture designed exclusively for image classification. It uses attention strategies to selectively focus on important qualities to improve performance on visual identification tests while maintaining computer efficiency.

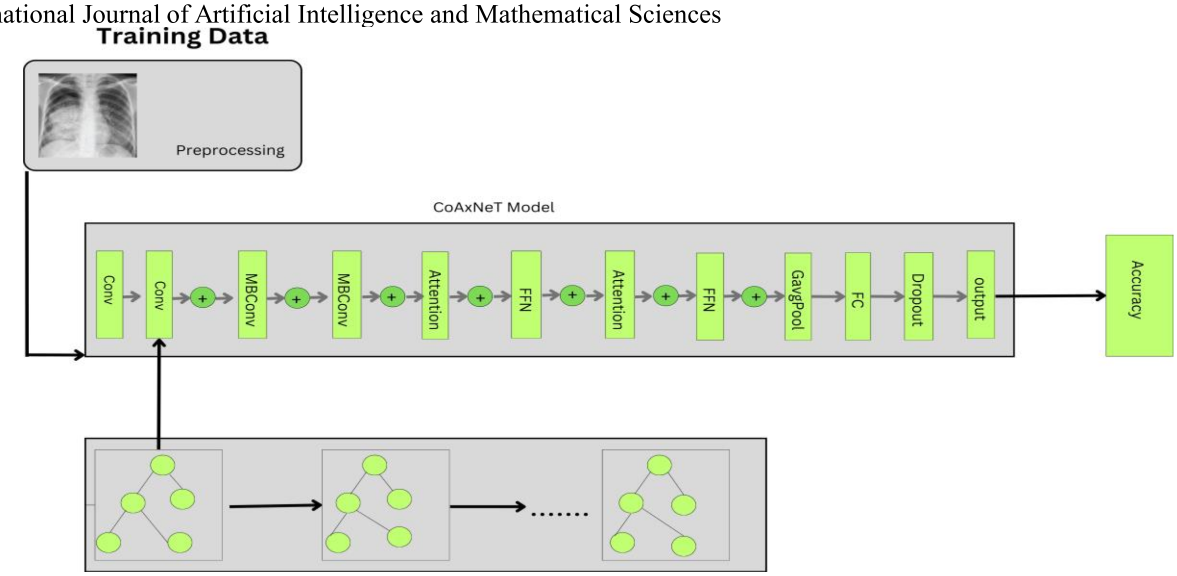

Fig. 2. Ensemble Model for Image

Decision trees, which are simple models with a lot of power, may be useful for classification and regression tasks. Recursively splitting the feature space according to the most informative qualities yields a three-like decision-rule structure. In addition to capturing complex correlations between information, decision trees are interpretable, simple, and easy to understand. AdaBoost is an ensemble learning strategy that employs several weak learners to construct a single strong classifier. It teaches sequentially to rectify the examples that were erroneously classified by previous poor learners. AdaBoost emphasizes tough instances to improve generalization performance and overall accuracy. Here is the methodology diagram of ensemble model which combines the predictions of Decision Tree, adaboost and Random Forest models and make a final prediction.

In the combined model described earlier, the predictions from each base model Decision Tree, AdaBoost, Random Forest are combined using a meta-learner Logistic Regression. Therefore, the layering of models in terms of prediction happens after all the base models have made their individual predictions. Specifically, after each base model (Decision Tree, AdaBoost, Random Forest) has made its prediction, those predictions are stacked together as features. Then, these stacked predictions are used as input for the meta-learner (Logistic Regression), which learns how to combine these predictions to get the result.

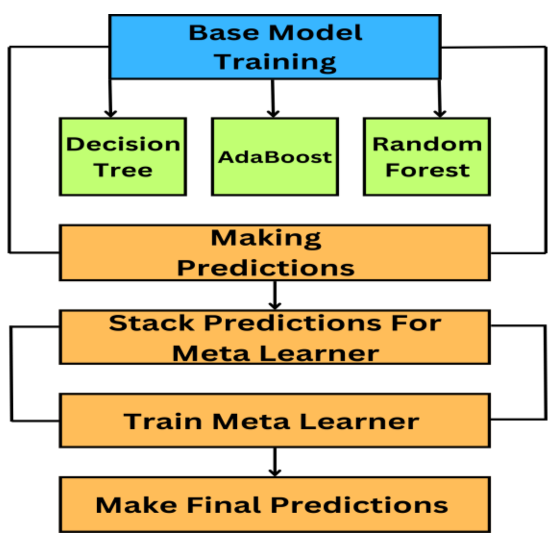

Fig. 3. Ensemble Model For CSV

5. VISUALIZATION

GradCAM, or Gradient-weighted Class Activation Mapping, is a method for visualizing and understanding how deep neural networks make choices. It does this by lighting the sections of the input images that are most essential to the model's predictions. It aids in understanding and improving the model by highlighting which portions of the image are relevant for classification decisions.
DeepSHAP (Deep SHapley Additive Explanations) explains the predictions of DL models by relating their output to their input features. Shapley values from cooperative game theory are used to estimate how much each feature adds to the model's prediction. DeepSHAP is beneficial for determining which properties in input data are most relevant, as well as identifying flaws or biases.
The ML model training sessions, which used preprocessed datasets, were the study's focus. In addition to Random Forest and Support Vector Machines, CNNs such as Decision Tree and CoatNet were used.Also we have used the XGBOOST model for training it on images and we used GRADCAM for Image Visualization. In the same case, we have used AdaBoost and Random Forest along with the Decision Tree model to improve the accuracy of the results, plus we use DEEPSHARP for visualization in CSV file. Training and validation were used to fine-tune the parameters of each algorithm, enhancing their ability to identify and predict TB.

6. EVALUATION PARAMETERS

A wide range of parameters were used to evaluate the ensemble model's performance and reliability for both image and CSV data.

6.1. ACCURACY

Accuracy is the percentage of properly categorized cases among all instances. It is calculated as the number of right guesses divided by the total number of forecasts.

$$\text{Accuracy} = \frac{TP + TN}{TP + TN + FP + FN} \quad (1)$$

Equation 1 defines a model's accuracy as the percentage of properly detected cases (both positive and negative) out of all assessed examples.

6.2. RECALL

Recall, also known as sensitivity or true positive rate, is the fraction of genuine positive predictions among all positive occurrences in a dataset. It is determined by dividing the number of true positives by the total of true positives and false negatives.

$$\text{Recall} = \frac{TP}{TP + FN} \quad (2)$$

Equation 2 defines a model's recall as the fraction of correctly detected positive cases.

6.3. F1 SCORE

The F1 score represents the harmonic means of accuracy and recall. It offers a single statistic that balances accuracy and recall.

$$\text{F1 Score} = 2 \cdot \frac{\text{Precision} \cdot \text{Recall}}{\text{Precision} + \text{Recall}} \quad (3)$$

Equation 3 defines the F1 Score, which is the harmonic means of precision and recall. This measure balances a model's accuracy and recall.

6.4. PRECISION

Precision assesses the accuracy of positive predictions by examining the number of positive instances projected. On the other hand, recall assesses the model's capacity to reliably capture all occurrences of true positives. The key to a complete evaluation is to strike a balance between accuracy and memory.

$$\text{Precision} = \frac{\text{True Positives}}{\text{True Positives} + \text{False Positives}} \quad (4)$$

Precision, defined by Equation 4, evaluates the accuracy of positive predictions by computing the ratio of true positive predictions to the total number of positive forecasts (including true and false positives).

6.5. INTERSECTION OVER UNION (IOU)

The IOU metric is often used to evaluate the performance of object identification systems. Calculates the overlap between the anticipated bounding box and the ground truth bounding box.

$$\text{IoU} = \frac{\text{Area of Intersection}}{\text{Area of Union}} \quad (5)$$

Equation 5 defines IoU as a metric for evaluating an object detector's accuracy on a certain dataset. It is the region of overlap between the anticipated and ground truth bounding boxes divided by the area of their union.

6.6. DICE SCORE

Dice Score, often known as F1 Score, is a statistic widely used to assess the efficacy of segmentation algorithms. Determines the similarity between the anticipated segmentation mask and the ground truth mask.

$$\text{Dice Score} = \frac{2 \times \text{Area of Intersection}}{\text{Area of Prediction} + \text{Area of Ground Truth}} \quad (6)$$

Equation 6 defines the Dice Score, which evaluates the similarity between two samples. It is computed as twice the area of intersection of the predicted and ground truth regions di-vided by the total of the prediction and ground truth areas.

6.7. AVERAGE DROP

Average Drop quantifies the average decrease in performance metrics (such as accuracy, precision, recall, etc.) after applying certain modifications or perturbations to the model or data.

$$\text{Average Drop} = \frac{\text{mbm} - \text{mam}}{N} \quad (7)$$

The Average Drop, as defined by Equation 7, is a measure used to evaluate the change in performance metrics. It is calculated as the difference between the metric before modification and the metric after modification, divided by the number of samples *N*.

6.8. INCREASE IN CONFIDENCE

Increase in Confidence (IIC) measures the improvement in the confidence level of a model's predictions before and after applying certain enhancements or adjustments.

$$\mathrm{IIC} = \frac{cbe - cae}{cbe} \times 100\% \qquad (8)$$

The Increase in Confidence, as defined by Equation 8, is a measure used to evaluate the change in confidence levels before and after enhancement. It is calculated as the difference between the confidence before enhancement and the confidence after enhancement, divided by the confidence before enhancement, and then multiplied by 100%.

7. RESULTS & DISCUSSION

Some relevant aspects and potential interpretations of the results are listed below.

7.1. SINGLE DATASET TRAINING

The CoatNet model trains effectively on a single image dataset and reaches 100% accuracy, it has learnt the dataset's patterns extremely well. This is due to the dataset's unique characteristics, such as consistency, clarity, and features.

7.2. DOUBLE DATASETS TRAINING

Even if the accuracy drops to 97.07 percent when using two photo datasets in CoatNet model, the model still performs well with the combined data. While the model responds to the intricacies of both datasets, a little loss in accuracy is expected when more diverse data is introduced.

7.3. XGBOOST ADDITION

The performance of the XGBoost model is summarized with overall accuracy and detailed metrics for each class, including precision, recall, f1-score, and support.

7.4. MODEL ACCURACY

The model achieved an accuracy of 0.9936, meaning it correctly classified approximately 99.36 percent of the instances in the dataset after 10 trees.

7.5. KEY TAKEAWAYS

The XGBoost model exhibits excellent performance with very high precision, recall, and F1-scores for both classes, particularly perfect metrics for Class 0. The slight decrease in recall for Class 1 suggests there were a few instances where the model missed some Class 1 predictions. The overall and class-specific metrics indicate a well-performing model that accurately distinguishes between the two classes. This analysis demonstrates the model's robustness and effectiveness in classifying the image data, making it a reliable tool for the given task.

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XGBoost Model Accuracy on Image data: 0.9936 after 10 trees
Classification Report:
              precision    recall  f1-score   support

           0       1.00      1.00      1.00       843
           1       0.99      0.98      0.99       250

    accuracy                           0.99      1093
   macro avg       0.99      0.99      0.99      1093
weighted avg       0.99      0.99      0.99      1093
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Fig. 4. XGBOOST Classification Report

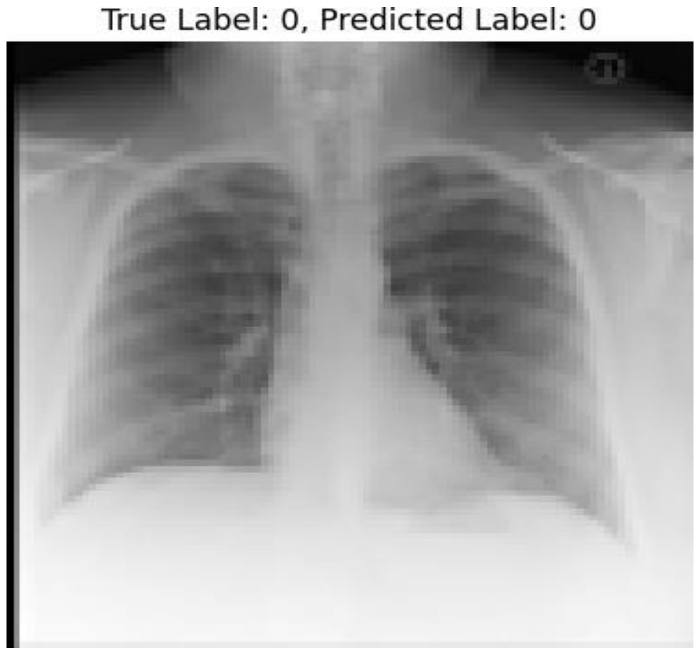

Fig. 5. XGBoost Predicted Image

The classification report for Coatnet model is shown below, based on model training on photographs across two datasets. The CoatNet model-predicted image of TB from the dataset is listed below.

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Test Accuracy: 0.9707
Precision: 0.9705
Recall: 0.9707
F1 Score: 0.9706
Classification Report:
              precision    recall  f1-score   support

           0       0.98      0.99      0.98       843
           1       0.95      0.92      0.93       250

    accuracy                           0.97      1093
   macro avg       0.96      0.95      0.96      1093
weighted avg       0.97      0.97      0.97      1093
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Fig. 6. Epoch Image

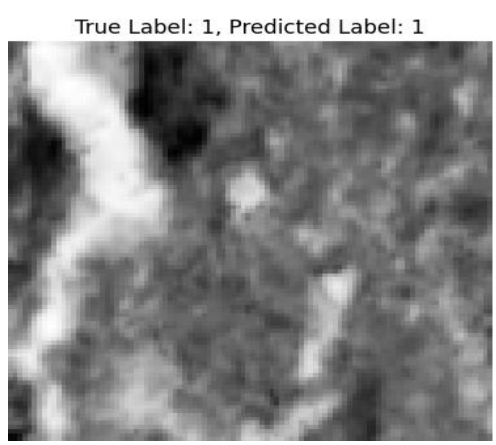

Fig. 7. TB Predicted Image

7.6. ENSEMBLE MODEL FOR CSV DATA

The ensemble model which combines the input of decision tree, Random Forest and adaboost give the perfect Accuracy of 97.14 percent.

7.7. MODEL VISUALIZATION

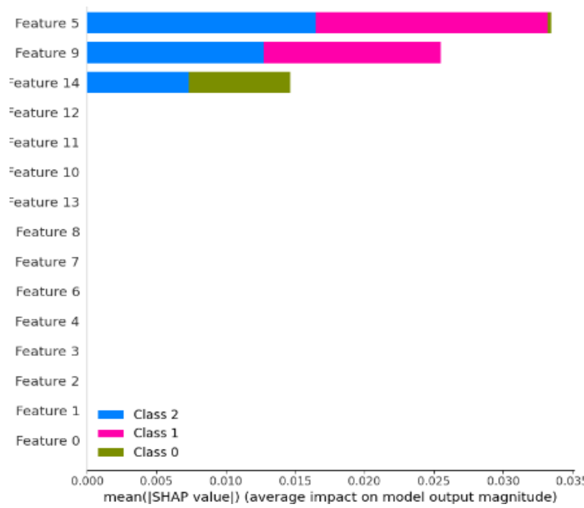

Fig. 8. DEEPSHAP Visualization

The ensemble model's feature importance is visualized using SHAP (SHapley Additive exPlanations) values, which suggest insights into the contribution of each feature to the model's predictions across different classes. This visualization helps to understand how each feature influences the model's output, providing a comprehensive view of feature importance and their impact on different classes.

7.8. FEATURES AND THEIR IMPACT

Feature 5: This feature exhibits the highest overall impact on the model's output across all classes. For Class 2 (blue), it shows a significant positive influence, while for Class 1 (pink), it also has a considerable impact. Feature 9: Similar to Feature 5, Feature 9 has a substantial impact, particularly for Class 1, indicating its strong relevance in distinguishing this class. Feature 14: This feature mainly influences Class 0 (green) and Class 2, though to a lesser extent than Features 5 and 9. Feature 12: It is notable for its impact on Class 2 and Class 0, though its overall contribution is lower compared to the top features.

7.9. CLASS-SPECIFIC CONTRIBUTIONS

Class 2 (Blue): Features 5 and 12 are particularly important for predicting Class 2, suggesting these features have characteristics that are distinctively informative for this class. Class 1 (Pink): Feature 5 and Feature 9 stand out as the most influential for Class 1, indicating their strong role in the model's ability to identify this class. Class 0 (Green): Features 14 and 12 show a notable influence on Class 0 predictions, highlighting their importance in distinguishing Class 0 from the other classes.

7.10. MEAN SHAP VALUE

The x-axis represents the mean SHAP value, which quantifies the average impact of each feature on the model output. The length of each bar indicates the magnitude of the fea-ture's contribution to the model's predictions.

7.11. KEY TAKEAWAYS

Feature 5 and Feature 9 are the most critical features in multiple classes, with significant impacts on the predictions for Class 1 and Class 2. Given their high SHAP values, it is clear that they offer a wealth of information that the model uses to generate precise predictions. Feature 14 and Feature 12 have moderate impacts, particularly influencing Class 0 and Class 2, respectively. These features contribute valuable information for specific class predictions but are less influential overall compared to Features 5 and 9. The visualization underscores the importance of understanding feature contributions at a granular level, allowing for more informed decisions regarding feature selection and model interpretation. This SHAP summary plot effectively demonstrates the differential impact of features on the ensemble model's predictions for each class, providing a clear understanding of which features drive the model's decisions and their relative importance.

8. PRE-RELATED WORK

In the field of tuberculosis (TB) detection and classification using machine learning (ML) and deep learning (DL) techniques, numerous studies have demonstrated the efficacy of these approaches. Here are five relevant works:
Heo et al. (2019) [1] explored the use of DL algorithms combined with demographic information to detect TB in chest radiographs during annual workers health examinations. Their findings suggest that incorporating demographic factors can enhance the detection performance of DL models.
Ali et al. (2021) [2] focused on predicting multidrug-resistant TB using ML algorithms in the SWAT region of Pakistan, demonstrating the potential of ML to address drug resistance issues in TB treatment. Xie et al. (2020) [3] developed a computer-aided system for detecting multicategory pulmonary TB in radiographs, showcasing the potential of automated systems to handle various TB categories effectively. Kuang et al. (2022) [4] used both traditional ML algorithms and convolutional neural networks (CNNs) to predict TB drug resistance from genome sequence data, emphasizing the speed and accuracy of these methods. Duong et al. (2021) [5] improved TB detection from chest X-ray images by employing vision transformers and transfer learning, highlighting the advancements in DL techniques for medical image analysis.

9. CONCLUSION

The research focused on the use of ML for the prediction and diagnosis of TB. The study focused on multidrug resistant TB (MDR-TB) and examined a variety of ML algorithms, DL models, and innovative methods to detect TB. When demographic data such as age, weight, height and gender were integrated into CNN models, the detection of TB in chest radiographs increased dramatically. According to a study of the literature, AI and ML have had a revolutionary impact on TB diagnosis, bringing new techniques to enhance efficiency, accuracy, and cost-effectiveness. The successful implementation of AI-based triage techniques, such as chest radiograph analysis (CXR), has resulted in significant reductions in cost and morbidity, especially in resource-constrained settings such as Karachi, Pakistan. In addition to identifying crucial TB risk indicators, the research posed an optimal ML model for early diagnosis and prediction, providing clinicians with useful suggestions. The comparative study of different ML algorithms, including SVM, CoatNet, XGBOOST, AdaBoost, and decision trees, has enabled advances in diagnostic approaches.

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