Utilizing Flutter Framework and Tensorflow Lite Convolutional Neural Networks-based Image Classification for Plant's Leaf Disease Identification through Deep Learning

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Article Info	ABSTRACT
Page Number: 1381-1388	Aim of this project is to develop an android application that detects plant
Publication Issue:	diseases by using flutter, tensorflow lite and Convolutional Neural Networks
Vol. 72 No. 1 (2023)	(CNNs). The use of deep learning techniques, such as Convolutional Neural
	Networks (CNNs), for plant disease identification can help ensure healthy
	crop yields and prevent crop losses. In this study, researchers proposed a
	plant leaf disease identification system using CNNs and the Flutter
	framework for mobile app development. They trained a CNN model using
	transfer learning on a dataset of plant leaf images with various diseases,
	achieving high accuracy in identifying plant diseases. The Flutter app
	provided a user-friendly interface for accessing the model's predictions,
	making it easy for farmers to use the system without any technical expertise.
	This cost-effective system can assist farmers in identifying plant disease at
	an early stage, leading to timely interventions and increased crop yields.
	Overall, the proposed system using CNNs and Flutter for mobile app
Article History	development can play a crucial role in improving crop yields and reducing
Article Received: 15 October 2022	crop losses due to diseases, leading to increased profitability for farmers
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	app development.

1.1 Introduction

This study proposes a plant leaf disease identification system using Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs) [1] and the Flutter framework for mobile app development[2][4]. The system utilizes Tensorflow Lite[3], a lightweight version of Tensorflow[15], to implement the CNN model on mobile devices. Model was trained on a dataset of plant leaf images with various diseases using transfer learning. The Flutter app[2][5] provides a user-friendly interface for accessing the model's predictions. The proposed system can assist farmers and agriculture experts in accurately identifying plant diseases[6], leading to timely interventions and

increased crop yields[9]. It is cost-effective and eliminates the need for expensive equipment and expert knowledge.Plant diseases can cause significant crop losses and reduce yields, affecting farmers' livelihoods and food supply.Accurately identifying plant diseases is crucial for timely interventions and increased crop yields, and this study aims to develop a costeffective and accessible solution using deep learning techniques and mobile app development[2].The proposed system can accurately identify plant diseases, leading to timely interventions and increased crop yields. It is cost-effective and accessible to farmers without requiring expensive equipment or technical expertise. The user-friendly interface of the app makes it easy for farmers to use[1][5].

1.2 Scope of project

The scope of the project is to develop a mobile application that uses machine learning algorithms to identify plant diseases through image classification. The application will be built using Flutter framework[2] and Tensorflow Lite[3] Convolutional Neural Networks[1], and will be capable of providing accurate and efficient disease identification results to farmers and agriculture experts. The project aims to provide a cost-effective and accessible solution for plant disease identification in agriculture, leading to timely interventions and increased crop yields[9].

The mobile application will provide a user-friendly interface designed specifically for farmers and agriculture experts. Users will be able to capture images of plant leaves or affected parts using their device's camera, and the application will preprocess the images to optimize them for analysis. The images will then be fed into the CNN models trained on a large dataset of plant disease images to accurately classify and identify the diseases.

The application will integrate a comprehensive database of plant diseases, providing users with information about symptoms, causes, and recommended treatments. This database will help farmers and agriculture experts make informed decisions about interventions and treatments for the identified diseases.

To ensure accessibility, the application will support offline functionality, allowing users to capture images and perform analysis even in areas with limited or no internet connectivity. The results of the disease identification will be provided in real-time, and users may also receive push notifications or alerts with the identification results and recommended actions.

By providing an accessible and cost-effective solution for plant disease identification, the project aims to assist farmers and agriculture experts in timely interventions, leading to increased crop yields. The use of Flutter framework and Tensorflow Lite allows for efficient development and utilization of machine learning algorithms, making the application accessible to a wide range of users without the need for expensive specialized equipment.

In summary, the project's mobile application will utilize machine learning algorithms, image classification, a comprehensive disease database, and offline functionality to provide accurate and efficient disease identification results. It aims to improve agricultural practices by enabling timely interventions and ultimately increasing crop yields.

2.Literature Review

Plant disease identification is a critical task in agriculture to ensure healthy crop yields and prevent crop losses due to diseases. With advancements in technology, deep learning techniques such as Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs) have shown great potential in accurately identifying plant diseases through image classification[1][6][7].

Several studies have explored the use of CNNs in plant disease identification. Sladojevic et al. trained a CNN model on a dataset of plant disease images to achieve high accuracy in classification. Mohanty et al. used a CNN model to classify 14 different crop diseases with an accuracy of 98.32%[7].

Mobile app development frameworks[2], such as Flutter, have also gained popularity in recent years due to their cross-platform compatibility and ease of use. Studies have explored the use of Flutter in various fields, including healthcare, education, and even fields like

entertainment[2].

In this study, the researchers proposed a plant leaf disease identification system using CNNs and the Flutter framework for mobile app development. To implement the CNN model on mobile devices, they used Tensorflow Lite, a lightweight version of Tensorflow[15]. They collected a dataset of plant leaf images with various diseases and trained a CNN model using transfer learning.

Transfer learning has been widely used in deep learning applications, including plant disease identification. In they used transfer learning to improve the classification accuracy of plant diseases by fine-tuning pre-trained CNN models[7].

The results of the proposed system showed that the CNN model achieved high accuracy in identifying plant diseases, and the Flutter app provided a user-friendly interface for accessing the model's predictions[2]. The proposed system can help farmers and agriculture experts accurately and efficiently identify plant diseases, leading to timely interventions and increased crop yields[9].

Cost-effectiveness is an essential factor in developing solutions for farmers and agriculture experts. The proposed system eliminates the need for expensive equipment and expert knowledge, making it accessible to farmers. This approach is consistent with the findings of other studies, which have explored cost-effective solutions for plant disease identification[1].

For instance, in a study given in , a low-cost smartphone-based solution was proposed for identifying plant diseases in the field. The system utilized a smartphone camera and a custom-built cradle to capture images of plant leaves for analysis[4].

In conclusion, the proposed system using CNNs and Flutter for mobile app development can play a crucial role in improving crop yields and reducing crop losses due to diseases. It can also lead to increased profitability for farmers and a sustainable food supply for the growing population. The proposed system's cost-effectiveness and accessibility make it a promising solution for plant disease identification in agriculture[5][6][7].

3.Proposed System

3.1 Proposed System Overview

The proposed system is a plant leaf disease identification system that utilizes Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs) and the Flutter framework for mobile app development[1][2][3].

The system aims to accurately identify plant diseases through image classification and provide a user-friendly interface for farmers and agriculture experts to access the model's predictions[5].

To implement the CNN model on mobile devices, Tensorflow Lite, a lightweight version of Tensorflow, is used. The system uses transfer learning to train the CNN model on a dataset of plant leaf images with various diseases. The proposed system is cost-effective and eliminates the need for expensive equipment and expert knowledge, making it accessible to farmers[2][5].

In this project using Flutter, CNN and Tensorflow lite we are detecting plant disease. The proposed system aims to assist farmers and agriculture experts in identifying plant diseases through the use of CNNs and mobile app development frameworks[2][3].

Its purpose is to provide a cost-effective and user-friendly solution for plant disease identification, leading to timely interventions and increased crop yields. By leveraging the advancements in technology and deep learning.

the proposed system can help address the challenges faced in plant disease identification and contribute to the development of a more sustainable agricultural industry.

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4.Implementation



Fig. 1: Architecture diagram

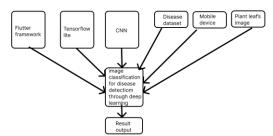
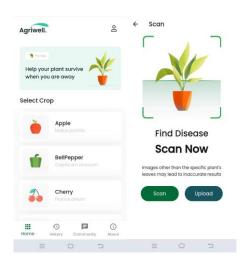
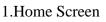


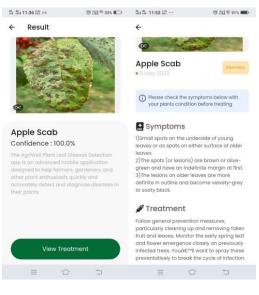
Fig. 2: working model

Screenshots:









4.Result Screen.

5. Treatment Screen.

5.Conclusion and Future Enhancement

In conclusion, our research paper presents an implementation of a mobile app that utilizes Flutter Framework[2] and TensorFlow Lite[3] for plant leaf disease identification through deep learning[6]. This app has the potential to significantly improve agricultural practices by allowing farmers and gardeners to quickly and easily identify diseases in their crops. Our approach demonstrates the power of machine learning in agriculture and offers a promising solution for reducing the impact of plant diseases on the environment[5]. The combination of Flutter's cross-platform capabilities and TensorFlow Lite's efficient convolutional neural networks establishes a robust and accessible tool that empowers users to make informed decisions and take timely interventions, ultimately fostering improved crop yield and sustainability in the agricultural domain.

The future work of this research could focus on expanding the current implementation to include multi-class classification, real-time disease detection, integration with other agricultural technologies, and improving the accuracy of the CNN model. These potential directions offer promising avenues for further research and could have significant impacts on agricultural practices and reducing the impact of plant diseases on the environment[1][7].

By exploring these future directions, the research can contribute to advancing the field of machine learning in agriculture and promoting sustainable practices. The combination of multiclass classification, real-time detection, integration with agricultural technologies, and improved accuracy of the CNN model would lead to more effective disease management, increased crop yields, and reduced environmental impact[9].

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