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# **COFFEE MATURITY CLASSIFICATION USING CONVOLUTIONAL NEURAL NETWORK AND TRANSFER** LEARNING

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### ABSTRACT

Coffee is one of the most popular beverages in the world, and the quality of coffee products largely depends on the maturity level of the coffee cherries used. Accurate and efficient classification of coffee maturity is essential for the coffee industry to ensure the quality and consistency of coffee products. Traditional methods of coffee maturity classification, such as visual inspection, can be time-consuming, subjective, and prone to errors. Therefore, the development of automated methods for coffee maturity classification is highly desirable. In recent years, deep learning has shown great promise in various image recognition tasks, including object detection, segmentation, and classification. Convolutional neural networks (CNNs) have been widely used for image classification tasks due to their ability to automatically learn features from images. In this study, we propose a deep learning approach for coffee maturity classification using images of coffee cherries. The proposed method consists of two main stages: image preprocessing and CNN-based classification. In the preprocessing stage, images of coffee cherries are first resized and normalized to reduce the variability in image size and lighting conditions. In the classification stage, a CNN is trained on the preprocessed images to classify coffee cherries into different maturity levels. To evaluate the performance of the proposed method, we collected a dataset of coffee cherry images at different maturity stages. The dataset was divided into training, validation, and testing sets, and the CNN was trained on the training set and evaluated on the testing set. The results show that the proposed method achieved high accuracy and outperformed other traditional machine learning techniques for coffee maturity classification.

# **1. INTRODUCTION 1.1 OVERVIEW**

Machine learning is a method of data analysis that automates analytical model building. It is a branch of artificial intelligence based on the idea that systems can learn from data, identify patterns and make decisions with minimal human intervention. Machine learning is the study of computer algorithms that improve automatically through experience. It is seen as a part of artificial intelligence. Machine learning algorithms build a model based on sample data, known as "training data", in order to make predictions or decisions without being explicitly programmed to do so.

Machine learning algorithms are used in a wide variety of applications, such as email filtering and computer vision, where it is difficult or unfeasible to develop conventional algorithms to perform the needed tasks. A subset of machine learning is closely related to computational statistics, which focuses on making predictions using computers; but not all machine learning is statistical learning. The study of mathematical optimization delivers methods, theory and application domains to the field of machine learning. Data mining is a related field of study, focusing on exploratory data analysis through unsupervised learning.

Machine learning involves computers discovering how they can perform tasks without being explicitly programmed to do so. It involves computers learning from data provided so that they carry out certain tasks. For simple tasks assigned to computers, it is possible to program algorithms telling the machine how to execute all steps required to solve the problem at hand; on the computer's part, no learning is needed. For more advanced tasks, it can be challenging for a human to manually create the needed algorithms. In practice, it can turn out to be more effective to help the machine develop its own algorithm, rather than having human programmers specify every needed step.

The discipline of machine learning employs various approaches to teach computers to accomplish tasks where no fully satisfactory algorithm is available. In cases where vast numbers of potential answers exist, one approach is to label some of the



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correct answers as valid. This can then be used as training data for the computer to improve the algorithm(s) it uses to determine correct answers. For example, to train a system for the task of digital character recognition, the MNIST dataset of handwritten digits has often been used.

#### **EXISTING SYSTEM**

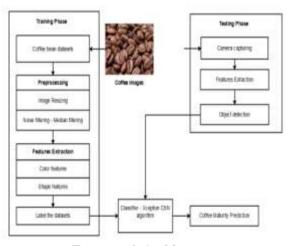
Coffee maturity classification is a crucial step in coffee production to ensure that only high-quality beans are harvested and processed. There are several existing systems for coffee maturity classification, each with its advantages and disadvantages. Visual inspection, which involves manually inspecting the coffee beans and sorting them based on their color and appearance, is a simple and traditional method that may be suitable for small-scale farms or artisanal coffee producers. Density separation, which involves separating the coffee beans based on their density, is a more time-consuming method that requires a lot of water.

Near-infrared spectroscopy (NIRS) is a non-destructive and rapid method that uses near-infrared light to analyze the chemical composition of coffee beans. Electronic nose (E-Nose) is a sensor-based system that uses an array of sensors to detect the volatile organic compounds emitted by the coffee beans. Finally, machine learning algorithms use image processing and pattern recognition to classify coffee beans, requiring a large dataset of images of ripe and unripe coffee beans. Each method has its own strengths and weaknesses and is suitable for different scenarios, depending on the size and needs of the coffee producer.

In addition to the methods mentioned, there are other approaches to coffee maturity classification, such as colorimetric analysis, which uses color sensors to measure the color of coffee beans and classify them based on their maturity. Another method is ultrasonic testing, which uses sound waves to determine the internal structure and density of the coffee beans and classify them based on their maturity. The choice of the method used for coffee maturity classification depends on several factors, such as the cost and availability of equipment, the size of the coffee farm, and the desired level of accuracy.

#### Disadvantage

- Time consuming and is subjective, because it is dependent on the conditions of the person performing the defect selection.
- Manual inspection systems are based on human judgement and may vary from one person to another, even though both persons are regarded as experts
- Classification accuracy is less because manual segmentation can be use.



#### DATASETS COLLECTION

Framework Architecture

Collecting a diverse and representative dataset is crucial for the success of the pest recognition system. The dataset should include images of different coffee beans, captured under different lighting and environmental conditions. Digital image archives can be searched for images of pests. These archives may include images captured by researchers, farmers, or other stakeholders. Dataset acquisition refers to the process of obtaining data for use in various applications, such as machine learning, data analysis, and research. Synthetic datasets can be generated using computer graphics techniques. This approach can provide a large number of images of pests in different poses, lighting, and environmental conditions. In this module, we can input the pest datasets that are collected from KAGGLE web sources. It contains the various beans details as in image format



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## MODEL TRAINING

Model training using Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs) is a process in machine learning where a CNN is learned from a dataset for image classification, object detection, or other computer vision tasks. Here's a general overview of the process:

- Data preparation: Prepare the image dataset for training, including splitting the data into training and validation sets, data augmentation, and normalizing the data.
- Define the model architecture: Choose a suitable CNN architecture and design a custom architecture based on the specific requirements of the task.
- Compile the model: Define the optimizer, loss function, and metrics to be used during training.

Train the model: Train the model on the training data by feeding the images into the network and updating the weights using the defined optimizer, loss function, and metrics. The training process involves multiple iterations, also known as epochs, over the training data until the desired level of accuracy is achieved.

#### CONCLUSION

In conclusion, using a sequential CNN algorithm for coffee maturity classification can improve the accuracy and efficiency of the classification process. By collecting a large dataset of labeled images of coffee beans at different maturity levels and preprocessing the images to standardize their size, color, and orientation, a CNN model can be trained to accurately classify coffee beans into different maturity levels. The trained model can be integrated into a computer vision system for real-time classification in a coffee processing plant. With continued research and development, the use of CNN algorithms for coffee maturity classification has the potential to improve the quality and consistency of coffee production. Moreover, the use of CNN algorithms can potentially reduce the need for human intervention in the classification process, which can save time and resources for coffee processing plants. Additionally, the use of automated classification systems can minimize errors and inconsistencies that can occur due to variations in human judgment and visual perception. Furthermore, the implementation of a coffee maturity classification system using a sequential CNN algorithm can be extended to other areas of agriculture and food production. For instance, it can be applied to the classification of fruits and vegetables based on their ripeness, which can help optimize harvesting and processing operations.

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