

## Deep Learning Approach for Breast Cancer Detection from Histopathology Images

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### ABSTRACT

This research introduces a model based on Transfer Learning for the identification of breast cancer via histopathology pictures. The proposed model utilizes the EfficientNetB0 architecture, pre-trained on the ImageNet dataset, with its classification head omitted to facilitate fine-tuning for the specific goal of cancer detection. The Breast Histopathology Images dataset obtained from Kaggle was utilized for training and evaluation. Comprehensive studies validated the model's efficacy, with a training accuracy of 94.49% and a test accuracy of 94.46%, with corresponding losses of 0.13 and 0.16. The model demonstrated exceptional performance on the test data, achieving an accuracy of 94.0%. The confusion matrix reveals a true negative rate of 98.0% and a true positive rate of 74.5%, indicating effective identification of both malignant and non-malignant samples. The findings suggest that the suggested methodology can substantially enhance early breast cancer diagnosis utilizing histopathology data. Subsequent efforts will concentrate on enhancing the model and investigating its implementation in clinical environments for immediate cancer diagnosis.

## 1. Introduction

The diagnosis of breast cancer has emerged as a pivotal area of medical study due to its substantial influence on global health, ranking among the foremost causes of cancer-related death in women globally. Breast cancer caused 670 000 deaths globally in 2022 [32]. Timely and precise detection is essential, and histopathological image analysis has historically been fundamental to breast cancer diagnosis. The intricacy and diversity of tissue architectures pose difficulties for pathologists. Recent breakthroughs in deep learning provide intriguing methods to automate this procedure, improving both the speed and precision of diagnosis.

This research seeks to enhance breast cancer identification by the use of the Breast Histopathology Images dataset from Kaggle and a comparative comparison of three models: EfficientNetB0, Vanilla CNN, and ResNet50v2. EfficientNetB0, a cutting-edge convolutional neural network (CNN) architecture pre-trained on ImageNet, is selected for its scalability and efficiency in image classification tasks, rendering it especially appropriate for medical image analysis.

Through the use of transfer learning, these models capitalize on pre-acquired characteristics from ImageNet, hence diminishing the requirement for comprehensive labeled medical data. The classification heads of the pre-trained models are eliminated and fine-tuned to differentiate between benign and malignant breast cancer cells, thereby expediting training and enhancing accuracy.

The main objective is to create a system for breast cancer diagnosis that is both highly accurate and computationally efficient. The increasing demand for dependable automated diagnostic technologies necessitates the enhancement of traditional procedures to improve survival rates. This research aims to tackle the difficulties of detecting histological pictures, where complex patterns and varied morphologies frequently result in diagnostic discrepancies.

Notwithstanding the promise of deep learning models, obstacles persist, particularly with the accessibility of extensive, annotated datasets that encompass a diverse array of cases and tissue variations. The Breast Histopathology Images collection offers a robust basis, although it may not entirely capture the intricacies present in actual clinical environments. Ensuring model generalizability across heterogeneous patient groups and several imaging modalities is crucial. Furthermore, the interpretability of model

predictions is essential for healthcare practitioners to have confidence in AI outputs, particularly in life-critical applications such as cancer diagnosis.

The importance of this work resides in its capacity to transform breast cancer detection through improved speed,

accuracy, and accessibility. The system seeks to enhance detection performance and reduce processing requirements by employing a comparative analysis of EfficientNetB0, Vanilla CNN, and ResNet50v2. The results may substantially enhance automated cancer detection systems, perhaps save lives through earlier intervention.

Subsequent research will concentrate on using these deep learning models in actual clinical settings to evaluate their efficacy outside regulated datasets. Integrating multimodal data sources, including genetic information and patient clinical histories, may improve prediction accuracy and provide more tailored treatment approaches. Overcoming issues associated with data scarcity, model interpretability, and generalization will be essential for the extensive implementation of AI in healthcare, allowing enhanced diagnostic precision for diverse cancer kinds.

## 2. Literature Review

The deep learning community has paid close attention to the categorization of breast histopathology images due to the urgent demand for precise and effective diagnostic tools in the field of cancer. Earlier techniques, like conventional machine learning techniques, frequently suffered with inconsistent image quality and mostly depended on manually created features. Convolutional neural networks (CNNs) changed the field by making it possible to automatically extract pertinent characteristics from histopathology pictures, increasing the accuracy of diagnosis [21]. More complex topologies, like as EfficientNet and DenseNet, which maximize model performance while lowering computing costs, have been used in recent advances [1]. Notwithstanding these advancements, managing unbalanced datasets and differentiating between minute variations in tissue types continue to pose difficulties. Furthermore, using transfer learning has demonstrated potential to improve classification performance, particularly in situations when there is a shortage of labeled data. As

research progresses, the emphasis is turning toward creating models that handle the heterogeneity in histological samples, show resilience in real-world clinical situations, and improve interpretability to help pathologists make decisions.

### 2.1 Observation Table

Table 1 provides an extensive summary of the evaluated literature, highlighting the contributions made by different writers to the subject of image categorization in breast histopathology. The names of the authors are included in the first column, and important details like the year of publication, the deep learning methods used, and the particular algorithms (e.g., CNN, EfficientNet, DenseNet) used are listed in the following columns. We also provide an overview of the features and size of the datasets used for model training and assessment. These finding highlights how crucial high-quality, annotated datasets are to getting accurate classification results. In order to evaluate the efficacy of various models, we also evaluated the performance measures presented in this research, such as accuracy, precision, recall, and F1- score. The research indicates that efforts are being made to enhance the resilience of the model, particularly with regard to issues such as class imbalance and fluctuations in histopathological pictures. We detect patterns and gaps in the present research landscape by methodically comparing the published results across different studies. This paves the path for future investigations aiming at improving diagnosis accuracy in clinical settings

**Table 1: Observations on methods, dataset and results**

Author Name	Year	Method used	Dataset used	Performance Matrices	Value
Shalini Wankhede	2023	RNN	Confidential	Accuracy	95%
Mahboubeh Jannesari	2019	ResNet	TMA, BreaKHis dataset	Accuracy	98.6%
Naresh Khuriwal	2022	CNN	MIAS dataset	Accuracy	98%
Aditya Golatkar	2018	Inception-v3	BACH 2018	Accuracy	85%
M. Jannesari	2019	ResNet-V1	TMA	Accuracy	99.8%
G. Pateel	2024	GoogleNet, DenseNet-201, WideResNet-50	BCI dataset	Accuracy	97.84%
N. Brancati	2020	Supervised Encoder FusionNet	D-IDC dataset	Accuracy	97.06%
Yasin Yari	2020	DenseNet, ResNet	BreaKHis dataset	Accuracy	98%
I. Hirra	2021	Patch based deep learning approach	Histopathology Images dataset	Accuracy	86%
G. Wadhwa	2020	DenseNet-210	BreaKHis dataset	Accuracy	95.58%
T. Aggarwal	2023	MLP Algorithm	Breast Cancer dataset from Kaggle	Accuracy	99%
S. Kwadwo	2020	Proposed CNN Model	Histopathology Images dataset	Accuracy	89.92%
S. Sharma	2020	VGG16 + SVM	BreaKHis, ImageNet dataset	Accuracy	93.25%
A. Alloqmani	2023	MobileNetV2	INbreast, MIAS dataset	AUC	97.36%
S. Wetstein	2022	MIL Methodology	Netherlands Cancer Registry	Accuracy	89%

Author Name	Year	Method used	Dataset used	Performance Matrices	Value
Z. Han	2017	CSDCNN	BreaKHis with augmentation	Accuracy	93.2%

## 2.2 Research Gap

Deep learning approaches like transfer learning using EfficientNetB0 for breast cancer diagnosis have made progress, however research gaps impede the creation of more robust and accurate models. Diverse and thoroughly annotated histopathology image databases are scarce. Kaggle's Breast Histopathology Images collection is useful; however, it may not fully capture tumor form or patient demographics. This reduces the model's generalizability across groups, which may skew therapeutic outcomes. Thus, larger, more representative datasets covering more breast cancer subtypes and patient characteristics are needed.

Deep learning model interpretability in medical applications is another need. Clinicians struggle to grasp EfficientNetB0's forecasts since it's a "black box," despite its excellent accuracy. Model transparency through explainability tools is crucial to building trust in these systems and improving their medical use.

Medical imaging, where histopathology scans differ from natural images, makes pre-trained models like EfficientNetB0, initially trained on ImageNet, problematic. Fine-tuning helps, but additional research is needed to adapt these models to domain-specific

data, including breast cancer detection, to ensure tumor feature sensitivity.

Additionally, computing efficiency remains a challenge in resource-constrained medical settings. Models like EfficientNetB0 are computationally costly, but lightweight models that give excellent accuracy without much computer power are needed for real-time clinical application.

Finally, the model's ability to provide more accurate and tailored diagnoses is limited by the lack of multimodal data integration, such as histological pictures and patient clinical data or genetic information. Addressing these shortcomings improves deep learning models' performance, generalizability, and reliability in breast cancer diagnosis, making them more useful in clinical practice.

## 3. Research Methodology

This study adopts a multi-model deep learning approach by utilizing three models—EfficientNetB0, Vanilla CNN, and ResNet50v2—for breast cancer screening through the analysis of histopathology images. The methodology starts with the acquisition of images from the Breast Histopathology Images dataset, which contains high-resolution samples representing both benign and malignant tumors. Several preprocessing techniques, including scaling, normalization, and data augmentation, are applied to minimize the noise and variability in the data. This step is crucial for improving model performance and ensuring consistent and accurate classification results by allowing the models to generalize better.

Following preprocessing, the images are fed into three distinct models for feature extraction: EfficientNetB0, Vanilla CNN, and ResNet50v2. EfficientNetB0, known for its balance between accuracy and computational efficiency, captures essential visual patterns with minimal resource usage, making it ideal for real-time applications. Vanilla CNN, being a more straightforward and traditional convolutional model, serves as a baseline, extracting fundamental patterns and textures from the images. ResNet50v2, with its deeper architecture and the introduction of residual connections, is well-suited for capturing more complex features, making it especially effective in differentiating subtle differences in tumor structures. This multi-model approach ensures a comprehensive feature set, enhancing the overall robustness and accuracy of the system.

The feature-rich outputs from these models are then fed into a fully connected classification layer responsible for the final binary classification, which determines whether a tumor is benign or malignant. The system is designed to operate efficiently, making it suitable for deployment in real-time scenarios and resource-constrained environments, such as mobile health clinics or rural areas with limited access to cloud-based resources. By combining EfficientNetB0, Vanilla CNN, and ResNet50v2, the approach ensures a well-rounded and reliable solution for breast cancer diagnosis across various clinical settings, improving both accuracy and robustness.

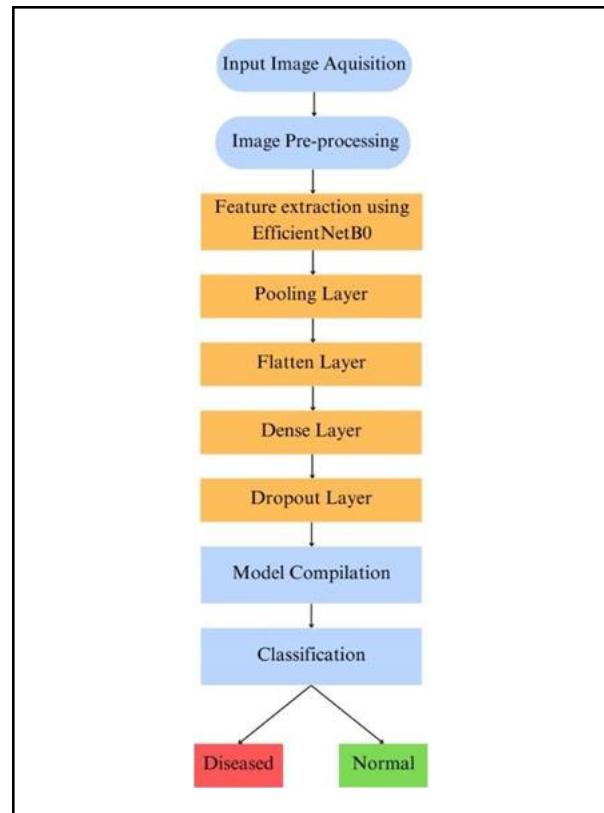


Fig. 1: Proposed Architecture

### 3.1 Dataset Used

Throughout this study, we made use of the publicly accessible Breast Histopathology Images collection on Kaggle. Tagged histopathological image patches from invasive ductal carcinoma (IDC) cases—the most prevalent kind of breast cancer—are included in the collection. There are 78,786 IDC (+) image patches that show positive cases and 198,738 IDC (-) image patches that show negative cases in it. To ensure that both the IDC (+) and IDC (-) samples were well represented, we trained the model using a subset of

10,000 photos. We were able to assess our model's efficacy in identifying benign and malignant tumor pictures thanks to this sizable and carefully selected dataset, which enhanced the suggested system's resilience and applicability.

### 3.2 Module 1 Input Image Acquisition

The essential preprocessing and image capture procedures are covered in Module 1, setting the stage for additional analysis and classification. To ensure format and quality uniformity, the photos are imported using a standard image processing library that is supplied from a publicly accessible dataset. Next, by standardizing and streamlining their format, preprocessing gets these pictures ready for effective model training. In order to effectively set the scene for following rounds of feature extraction and classification, it is imperative that the machine learning model be able to reliably assess the data and generate solid predictions.

- **Loading the Input Image:**

The initial module of this research involves the gathering of input images utilizing the Breast Histopathology Images dataset, which comprises labeled patches indicative of Invasive Ductal Carcinoma (IDC) patients. The collection comprises

high-resolution pictures obtained from histopathology analyses. The photos are retrieved from their designated file directories utilizing OpenCV, a prominent computer vision library for image processing applications. The photos, obtained in their original format, are recovered as 3-channel RGB images, maintaining their fundamental color information and structure. These unprocessed photos are the basis for later analysis and categorization.

- Preprocessing:

Post-acquisition, image preprocessing is conducted to normalize the dataset and enhance its suitability for deep learning. Every image is downsized to a uniform resolution of 50×50 pixels, guaranteeing uniformity throughout the dataset and facilitating quick processing while preserving critical characteristics necessary for classification. This scaling decreases computing complexity while preserving essential visual features. Subsequently, the dataset undergoes normalization by scaling pixel values to the interval of [0, 1], so ensuring consistency in input data and facilitating expedited model convergence. The preprocessing stages are essential for improving the performance of the deep learning model by supplying well-structured, normalized input.

### **3.3Module 2 Comparative Feature Extraction using EfficientNetB0, Vanilla CNN, ResNet50v2**

Module 2 utilizes a comparison methodology to assess the efficacy of three models—EfficientNetB0, Vanilla CNN, and ResNet50v2—in extracting essential characteristics from preprocessed histopathology images. Each model is evaluated independently to ascertain which one most effectively identifies patterns and characteristics pertinent to breast cancer diagnosis.

EfficientNetB0, a cutting-edge convolutional neural network, is recognized for its equilibrium between accuracy and processing efficiency. It employs compound scaling, concurrently augmenting depth, breadth, and resolution to maximize performance while preserving a compact model size. After preprocessing, the pictures are input into EfficientNetB0, which autonomously extracts hierarchical features across several CNN layers. The

superficial layers capture fundamental visual features such as edges and textures, whereas the deeper levels concentrate on more abstract, disease-related attributes such tissue patterns and forms. EfficientNetB0's capacity for effective scaling guarantees robust feature extraction while maintaining computational efficiency, rendering it appropriate for real-time medical applications.

The Vanilla CNN serves as a basic model, offering a more straightforward method for feature extraction. Although its design is simpler than that of other models, it effectively learns fundamental visual patterns from the data, including basic edges and textures. While Vanilla CNN may not have as many intricate features as EfficientNetB0 or ResNet50v2, it serves as a valuable benchmark for evaluating performance and computational expense.

ResNet50v2, recognized for its profound design and residual connections, is evaluated for its capacity to manage intricate picture characteristics. The residual connections enable the model to acquire richer

representations without experiencing the vanishing gradient issue. ResNet50v2 excels in discerning high-level characteristics, including nuanced structural variations between healthy and malignant tissues. It is particularly effective in collecting intricate visual attributes, rendering it a formidable option for medical picture analysis.

The performance of each model is evaluated based on feature extraction efficiency, accuracy, and computational demands. The characteristics obtained from each model are next sent to a fully connected classification layer for binary classification, ascertaining whether a tumor is benign or malignant. The comparative study of EfficientNetB0, Vanilla CNN, and ResNet50v2 facilitates the identification of

the optimal model for breast cancer detection, enabling informed judgments on the trade-offs between accuracy and efficiency in the final system.



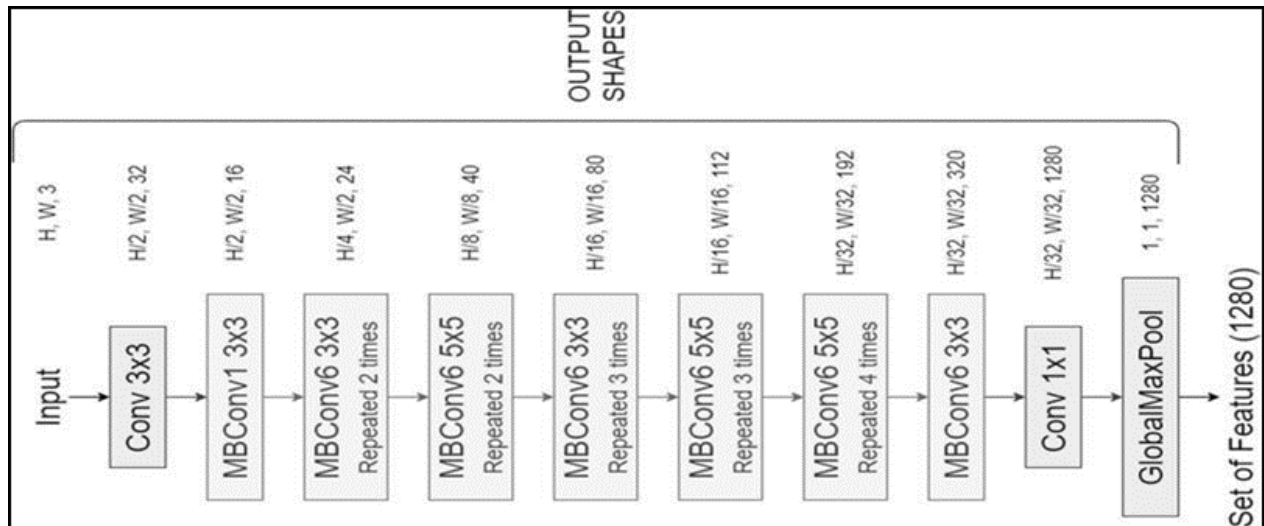


Fig. 2: Architecture of EfficientNet-B0 as feature extractor

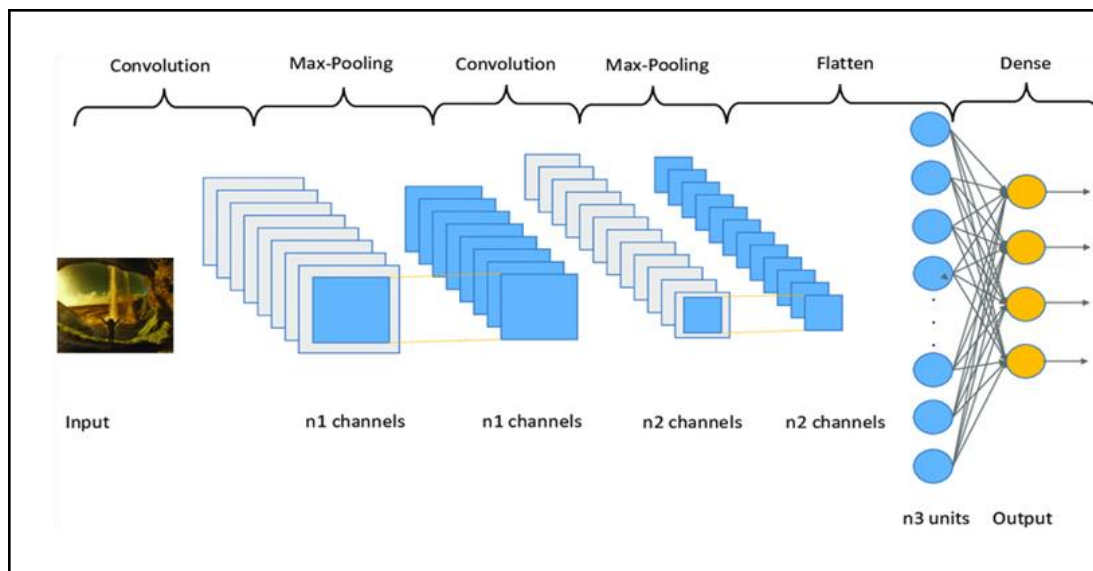


Fig. 3: Architecture of Vanilla CNN

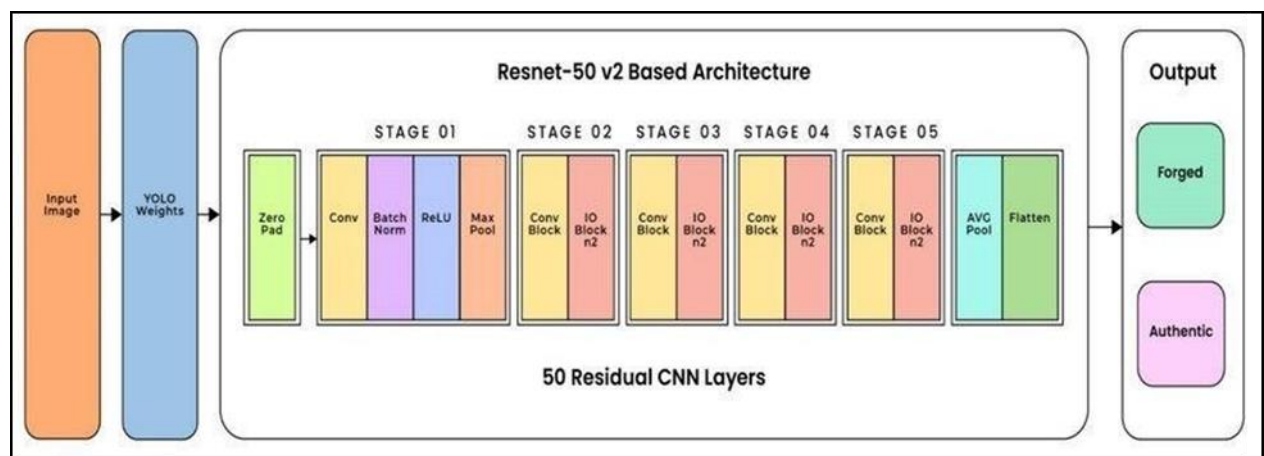


Fig. 4: Architecture of ResNet-50 v2

### 3.4Module 3 Fully Connected Layers

A number of crucial parts make up the Fully Connected Layer module, which is responsible for the neural network's decision-making and the efficient categorization of incoming pictures.

- **Pooling Layer:**

The feature extraction step produces input feature maps with large spatial dimensions; this layer helps to minimize them. Pooling makes the network more efficient by reducing the computational effort by keeping just the most important properties. By condensing the feature maps' contents, it helps avoid overfitting by letting the model zero in on the most crucial parts of the input data and ignore the rest.

- **Flatten Layer:**

The Flatten layer is used to convert the multi- dimensional feature maps into a single vector after the pooling procedure. In order for the model to make good use of all learnt features, it is necessary to translate the feature maps' complicated spatial structure into a format that can be fed into the dense layers.

- **Dense Layer:**

A Dense layer, a completely linked layer with 128 neurons, is then used in the following stage. Here, the Rectified Linear Unit (ReLU) activation function is used to train the model to recognize intricate correlations and patterns in the data. This layer improves the model's ability to collect complex characteristics necessary for precise classification by linking all inputs to each neuron.

- **Dropout Layer:**

Two Dropout layers are added after the Dense layer to boost generalization and reduce the danger of overfitting. The dropout rate of the first Dropout layer is 0.3 while that of the second is 0.25. To prevent the model from becoming too dependent on any one neuron and to encourage it to acquire more robust characteristics, these layers randomly deactivate some of the neurons during training.

When combined, these layers provide a robust module that uses the retrieved characteristics to make predictions, allowing for accurate picture categorization for illness diagnosis. In addition to improving the model's overall resilience and accuracy, this modular approach speeds the procedure.

### **3.5Module 4 Model Compilation**

In order to get the neural network ready for training, the model compilation stage is essential. This is where the optimization procedure and performance measures are defined. This section makes use of the Adamax optimizer. For better stability and performance while training deep learning models, use Adamax, a variation of the famous Adam optimizer. Its capacity to keep learning rates limited is one of its defining characteristics; this helps keep the model from diverging while it's being trained. More dependable convergence is made possible by this trait, which is especially useful when working with complicated datasets.

At this point, you should also select the optimizer and the loss function that will be used to evaluate the training performance of the model. The binary cross-

entropy loss function is a popular choice for tasks requiring binary classification, such as differentiating between instances with an IDC positive and negative. In order to optimize for accuracy, this function examines the disparity between the actual labels and the anticipated probabilities.

The model is prepared to learn efficiently from the training data by integrating the Adamax optimizer with a suitable loss function. When this happens, the network's weights are updated in a way that reduces loss, which improves its classification performance on new data. In order to facilitate effective learning and precise predictions, the model's compilation is therefore crucial.

### **3.6Module 5 Classification**

Based on the characteristics that were retrieved and processed in the preceding layers, the trained model uses the classification module to generate predictions on the input data. Each class, IDC-positive and IDC- negative, is given a probability by means of the model's output layer, which is composed of two neurons activated using softmax. To make the model's forecast confidence level easy to understand, the softmax function converts the raw output scores to summarizing probabilities. The final classification result, which determines if the examined tissue sample is normal or diseased, is based on the class with the highest likelihood.

## **4. Mathematical Description of Proposed Model**

The mathematical description of the proposed model describes the categorization process's main components

and actions. Here, we define the mathematical foundations for image preprocessing, feature extraction, and classification. After image data encoding, normalization and dimensionality reduction maximize neural network input. The EfficientNetB0 architecture extracts features using convolutional layers to detect picture spatial hierarchy. Fully linked layers, dropout techniques, and activation functions lead to a softmax-based binary classification. This thorough description clarifies the model's mathematical procedures.

#### 4.1 EfficientNetB0

EfficientNetB0 employs a compound scaling methodology that consistently adjusts all network dimensions depth, breadth, and resolution utilizing a straightforward yet effective scaling coefficient. The output of each convolutional layer is determined by convolving the input image  $X$  with a collection of learnable filters  $W$ , adding a bias term  $b$ , and applying an activation function such as ReLU. This can be articulated as:

$$Y = \text{ReLU}(X * W + b)$$

Where  $*$  denotes the convolution operation.

#### 4.2 Pooling Layer

The pooling layer reduces the spatial dimensions of the input feature maps while preserving important features. Mathematically, for max pooling, the operation selects the maximum value from a small window, typically  $2 \times 2$ , in the input feature map. Given an input matrix  $X$ , the pooling operation computes the maximum value within a defined window size. Let  $P(i, j)$  be the pooled output at position  $(i, j)$  the max pooling operation is expressed as:

$$P(i, j) = \max(X_{i:i+f, j:j+f})$$

where  $f$  is the size of the pooling window. This process helps to reduce the size of the feature maps and control overfitting by focusing on dominant features.

#### 4.3 Flatten Layer

The flatten layer converts the multi-dimensional feature maps into a one-dimensional vector to prepare it for the fully connected layers. If the input to the flatten layer is an  $n \times n \times c$  matrix where  $n$  is the spatial dimension and  $c$  is the number of channels, it transforms the input into a vector of length  $n^2 \times c$ . Mathematically, flattening the input can be represented as:

$$Y = \text{Flatten}(X) = \text{Reshape}(X, [1, n^2 \times c])$$

#### 4.4 Dense Layer

The dense (fully connected) layer performs a linear transformation followed by an activation function, typically ReLU. Given the input  $x$  and learnable weight matrix  $W$ , along with a bias term  $b$ , the output  $y$  is computed as:

$$y = \text{ReLU}(Wx + b)$$

#### 4.5 Dropout Layer

The dropout layer helps prevent overfitting by randomly setting a fraction of input units to zero during training. Mathematically, for each training iteration, a binary mask  $M$  is generated where each element is drawn from a Bernoulli distribution with probability  $p$ . The output is computed as

$$Y = M \odot X$$

where  $\odot$  is the element-wise multiplication, and  $p$  is the dropout rate (the fraction of neurons set to zero). This regularization technique ensures that the model does not rely too heavily on any specific neurons, promoting generalization.

### 5. Experiment Results

The comparative analysis of EfficientNetB0, Vanilla CNN, and ResNet50v2 focuses on their performance in feature extraction and classification of histopathological images. Each model was trained and evaluated independently, emphasizing their capabilities in distinguishing benign from malignant tumors. Key performance metrics, including accuracy, model loss, and confusion matrices, were assessed to provide insights into their classification effectiveness and resource efficiency, guiding the selection of the most suitable model for real-



time breast cancer diagnosis in clinical settings.

### 5.1 Vanilla CNN

- Confusion Matrix

The Vanilla CNN model achieved 91.1% accuracy for benign and 80.4% for malignant histopathological images. It misclassified 8.9% of benign samples as malignant and 19.6% of malignant samples as benign. These findings indicate good overall performance but suggest the need to reduce false negatives for improved diagnostic accuracy.

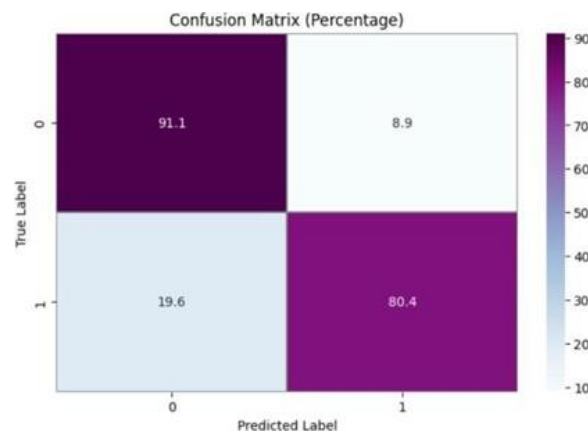


Fig. 5: Confusion Matrix of Vanilla CNN

- Accuracy

The accuracy graph shows the training and testing performance of a vanilla CNN model over 10 epochs. The training accuracy (in blue) steadily increases, reaching approximately 91% by the final epoch. The testing accuracy (in orange) improves more slowly and stabilizes around 89%, indicating a slight gap between the model's performance on training data and unseen test data.

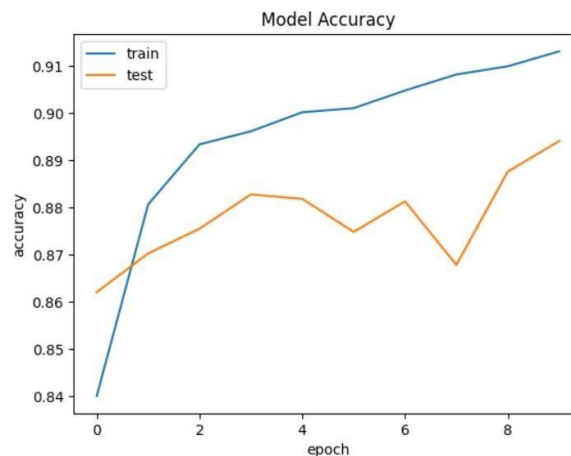


Fig. 6: Accuracy of Vanilla CNN

- Model Loss

The model loss graph for Vanilla CNN shows a steady decline in both training and testing loss across 10 epochs. The training loss (in blue) shows a continuous decline, reaching near zero by the last epoch. The testing loss (in orange) decreases initially but stabilizes after a few epochs, maintaining a higher value than the training loss, indicating some level of overfitting or performance gap on unseen data.

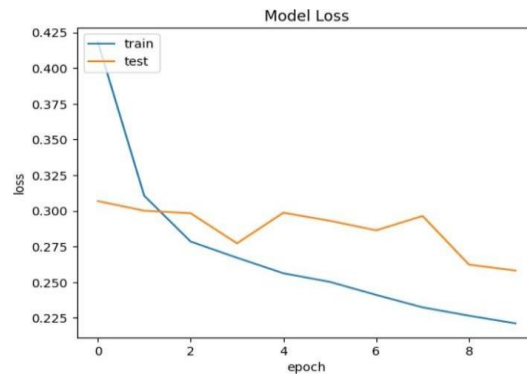


Fig. 7: Model Loss of Vanilla CNN

## 5.2ResNet50V2

### • Confusion Matrix

The confusion matrix represents the performance of a vanilla CNN model. It indicates that 98.2% of the true negative cases are correctly classified, while 1.8% are misclassified as positive. For the positive class, 74% are correctly predicted, but 26% are classified as negative. This suggests the model struggles more with false positives than false negatives.

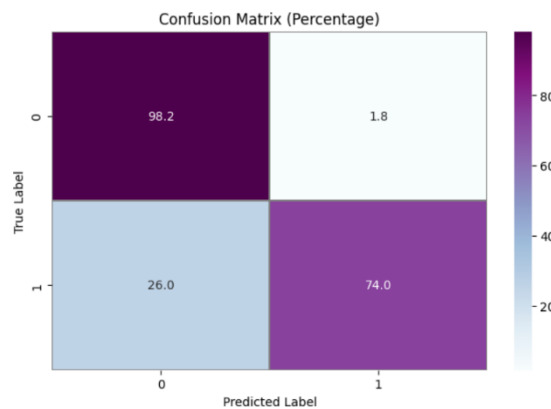


Fig. 8: Confusion Matrix of ResNet50V2

### • Accuracy

The accuracy graph for the Vanilla CNN model shows the training and testing accuracy across 10 epochs. The model achieves rapid improvement in the first few epochs, with both training and testing accuracy stabilizing around 94%, indicating a slight gap between the model's performance on training data and unseen test data.

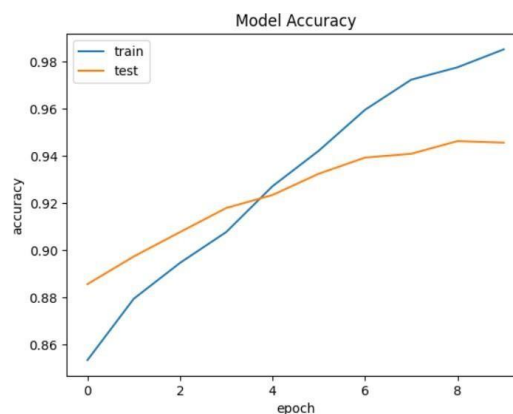


Fig. 9: Accuracy of ResNet50V2

### • Model Loss

The model loss graph for Vanilla CNN shows a steady decline in both training and testing loss across 10 epochs.

The training loss shows a continuous decline, reaching near zero by the last epoch. The testing loss decreases initially but stabilizes after a few epochs, maintaining a higher value than the training loss, by the end of training, training loss is 0.0419 and validation loss is 0.2804. Indicating some level of overfitting or performance gap on unseen data.

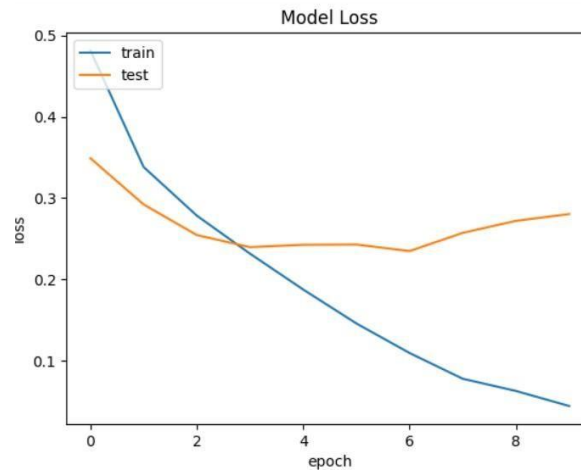


Fig. 10: Model loss of ResNet50V2

### 5.3 EfficientNetB0

#### • Confusion Matrix

The confusion matrix shows the performance of the EfficientNetB0 model. It correctly classified 98% of class 0 but misclassified 2.0% as class 1. For class 1,

74.5% were correctly predicted, while 25.5% were misclassified as class 0. The model shows strong performance in identifying class 0 but struggles with class 1, reflecting a notable imbalance in prediction accuracy.

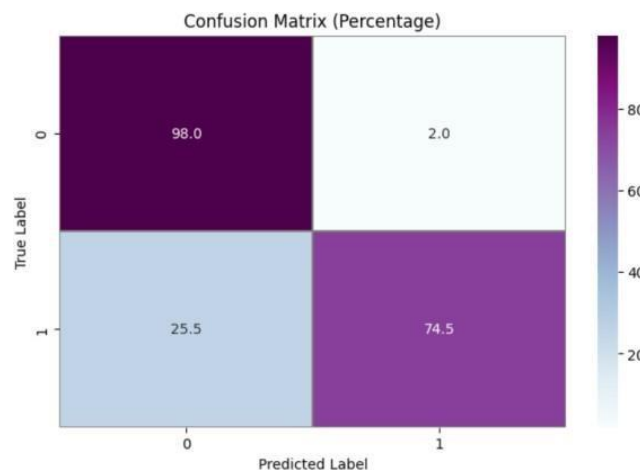


Fig. 11: Confusion Matrix of EfficientNetB0

#### • Accuracy

The accuracy graph for the EfficientNetB0 model shows steady improvement for both training and testing sets over 9 epochs. Initially, the test accuracy is slightly higher than the training accuracy, but they converge around epoch 8, reaching above 94%. The consistent upward trend indicates the model is learning well without signs of overfitting.

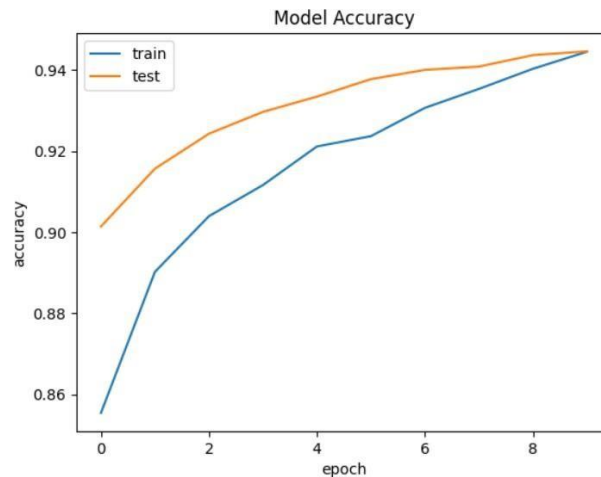


Fig. 12: Accuracy of EfficientNetB0

#### • Model Loss

The model loss graph for EfficientNetB0 shows a consistent decrease in both training and testing loss over 9 epochs. The training loss starts higher but declines rapidly, closely following the test loss. By the end, the losses converge, dropping below 0.2. This

indicates good model generalization, with no significant overfitting, as the test and train losses are closely aligned.

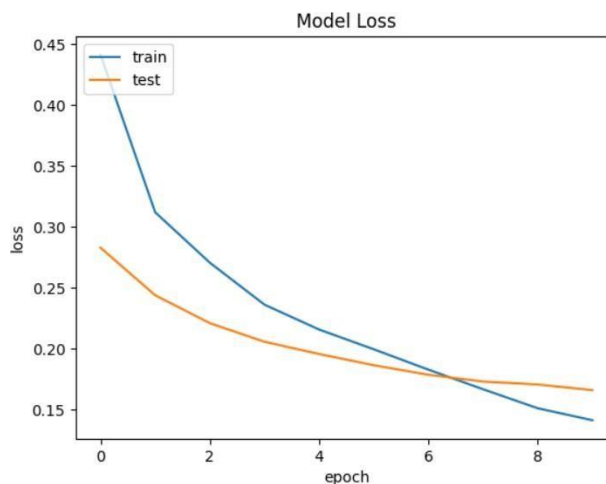


Fig. 13: Model Loss of EfficientNetB0

## 6. Conclusion

The comparative study of the three models— ResNet50v2, Vanilla CNN, and EfficientNetB0— yields significant insights into their efficacy in identifying histological pictures as benign or malignant. Each model exhibits unique advantages and disadvantages, underscoring the significance of model selection in medical imaging applications.

Vanilla CNN attains an accuracy rate of 91.1% for benign classifications and 80.4% for malignant instances, demonstrating its proficiency in accurately identifying non-cancerous samples. The model has a significant difficulty in correctly categorizing cancer samples, with 19.6% misclassified as benign. The elevated incidence of false negatives presents a considerable threat in clinical environments, where precise identification of malignant cases is essential for patient diagnosis and treatment. Notwithstanding these constraints, the consistency in accuracy and loss metrics suggests that Vanilla CNN is a dependable model, proficient at generalizing to novel data without considerable overfitting.

The ResNet50V2 has remarkable performance, especially on true negatives, attaining an accuracy of 98.2%. Nonetheless, its proficiency in classifying malignant samples is suboptimal, achieving just 74% accuracy, which

leads to a misclassification rate of 26% for malignant cases. The significant disparity between training and testing accuracy implies overfitting, suggesting that the model excels on

training data but may falter on novel, unknown data. The accuracy trends indicate a necessity for more tuning to improve the model's capacity to reliably detect cancerous samples.

EfficientNetB0 has robust performance with 98% accuracy for benign samples, although it encounters difficulties with malignant classifications, with just 74.5% accuracy. The persistent reduction in loss for both training and testing sets indicates robust generalization ability. The model demonstrates proficiency in recognizing non-cancerous tissues; nonetheless, enhancements are required for the detection of malignant samples, particularly due to the significant hazards posed by false negatives.

In conclusion, although all three models include merits, none can be considered universally superior. Vanilla CNN has potential efficacy but need improvements in malignancy identification. The ResNet50V2 demonstrates proficiency in benign identification but requires enhancement in generalization. Simultaneously, EfficientNetB0's equilibrium of performance and efficiency renders it an attractive option for additional enhancement. The results underscore the necessity for ongoing improvement and experimentation in model selection to improve diagnostic accuracy in medical imaging, hence minimizing false negatives for optimal patient treatment.

## 7. Future Scope

The future scope for improving breast histopathology image categorization using ResNet50v2, Vanilla CNN, and EfficientNetB0 models is highly promising. One key direction involves expanding the training and testing datasets. Collaborating with healthcare facilities to collect a larger and more diverse set of labeled images will enhance model accuracy and generalization across various populations and stages of breast cancer, including Invasive Ductal Carcinoma (IDC).

Additionally, leveraging advanced architectures and techniques such as transfer learning and ensemble learning can significantly enhance performance. By integrating more sophisticated models, we can improve the models' ability to capture intricate patterns within the data. Implementing ensemble methods can further bolster classification performance by combining the strengths of multiple models.

Incorporating these models into clinical workflows presents another vital avenue for application. Real-time decision support can empower pathologists to make timely and accurate diagnoses. Developing user-friendly interfaces that visualize model predictions will facilitate seamless integration into diagnostic practices.

Lastly, exploring explainable AI methodologies is essential for transparency in model predictions. Understanding the rationale behind the models' decisions will help build trust among clinicians, enhancing the reliability of AI-assisted diagnostics. By pursuing these advancements, we can significantly improve the efficacy of breast histopathology image categorization, ultimately leading to better patient outcomes and more effective healthcare solutions.

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