



A COMPREHENSIVE SURVEY ON EARLY DETECTION OF CANCEROUS TUMOR IN THE LUNGS

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Abstract: Among all disease Pulmonary cancer has repeatedly appeared as most crucial diseases in the history of mankind. It ranks among the frequently occurring types of cancer and a leading cause of death. The disease frequently shows no symptoms in its initial stages, which makes it very difficult to detect early. This cancer is characterized by the uncontrolled growth of cells within the lung tissue. While lung cancer cannot be entirely prevented, the likelihood of developing it can be reduced. As a result, Early detection of lung cancer is crucial. for patient survival. In this review, we have tried to look at a variety of artificial intelligence techniques for identifying lung cancer., as well as propose a new Artificial Intelligence strategy for identifying subtle patterns and delivering reliable information to pathologists.

Index Terms - Artificial intelligence AI, Classifier, Data Set.

I. INTRODUCTION

Cancer is defined as an uncontrolled cell proliferation within the body. Unchecked cell growth in lung tissue leads to the development of lung cancer. After HIV, Lung cancer ranks as the second most common cause of death globally, resulting in nearly a million fatalities annually.. According to an estimate, around 33% of the world's population is affected by lung cancer., and an estimated nine million new cases are occurring every year. Lung cancer is caused primarily by cigarette smoking. According to the data [3], smoking is responsible for 80% of lung cancer deaths.. Tuberculosis may elevate the risk of developing lung cancer by generating substantial and long-term inflammation in the lungs, which can result in whole tissue damage, fibrosis, scarring, and genetic changes. Lung cancer predominantly affects men, comprising approximately, accounting for roughly one-third of all malignancies in men. Lung cancer is still the most common cause of cancer death according to GLOBOCAN 2020 [3] with an anticipated 1.8 million deaths (18%). Table 1 below shows recent cases and Deaths for major Cancers.

Table 1: Number of fresh cases and Deaths of 3 types of Cancers

| Cancer | New Cases (%) | New Deaths (%) |
|-----------------|---------------|----------------|
| Breast Cancer | 11.70 | 6.9 |
| Lung Cancer | 11.40 | 18 |
| Prostate Cancer | 7.30 | 3.8 |

Figure 1 below shows the top 3 kinds of cancer estimated cases and deaths worldwide.

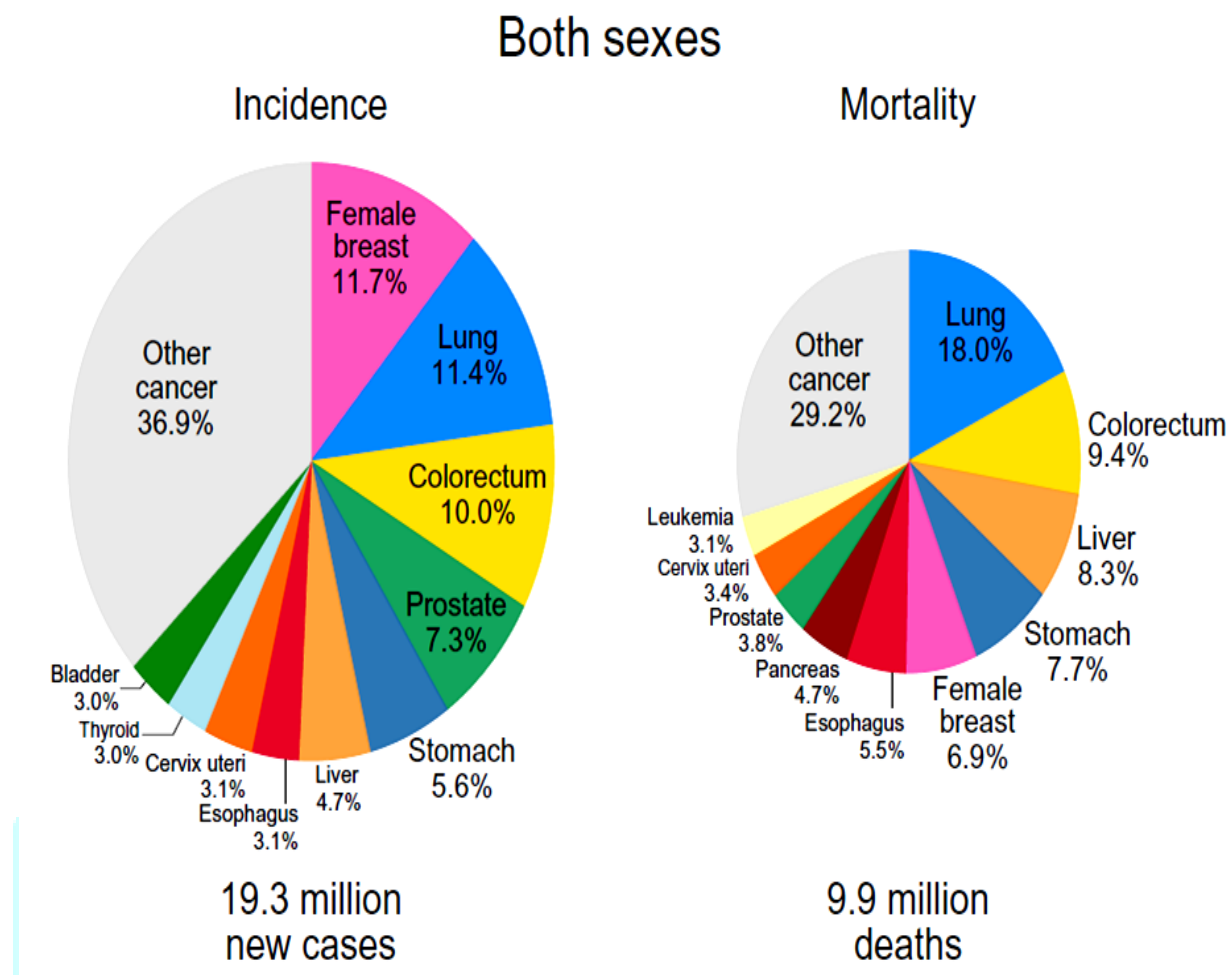


Figure 1: The Top 3 Most Common Cancers: Cases and Deaths Distribution in 2020.

The prognosis for lung cancer patients depends significantly on the stage of the disease at the time of diagnosis. Therefore, detection of pulmonary cancer in its initial phases is critical. Identifying lung cancer in its initial stages can significantly help reduce the death rate. In healthcare engineering, medical imaging has become a crucial area of study with the aim of helping medical professionals identify diseases early on.

II. RELATED WORK

In 2022, Akitoshi Shimazaki et al. created and assessed a deep learning (DL) model aimed at detecting pulmonary cancer in chest radiographs through a segmentation method [2]. They trained and validated the DL model on a training dataset using a five-fold cross-validation method. The training dataset included 629 radiographs containing 652 nodules/masses. Subsequently, they evaluated the model's sensitivity and mean false positive indicators per image (mFPI) using an independent test dataset comprising of 151 radiographs with 159 nodules/masses. The DL-based model exhibited a mean false positive indicator (mFPI) of 0.13 and a sensitivity of 0.73 in the test data. Interestingly, it was observed that lung tumors located in overlapping blind spot regions like the pulmonary apices, pulmonary hila, chest wall, heart, and subdiaphragmatic space had lower sensitivity (ranging from 0.50 to 0.64). Specifically, sensitivity was reduced for lung tumors in these overlap regions compared to non-overlapping regions. For the 159 malignant lesions, the average Dice coefficient was 0.52. Despite challenges in overlapping areas, the DL-based model demonstrated its capability to detect lung tumors in chest radiographs, achieving a low mFPI.

In 2022, Sharmila Nageswaran et al. conducted an experimental study using a dataset comprising 83 CT scans from 70 patients[1]. To enhance image quality, the geometric mean filter was utilized during the preprocessing phase. This was followed by image segmentation using the K-means method to identify specific regions within the images. Machine learning classification algorithms, such as ANN, KNN, and RF, were subsequently employed. The findings indicated that the ANN model performed better than other machine learning methods in predicting lung cancer with higher accuracy.

In 2020, Meza Silvana et al. introduced an algorithm for detecting pulmonary cancer using CT scan images. Their system utilizes basic image processing techniques, including Lung Border Extraction, Erosion, Dilation, Median Filtering, and Outlining. This method notably decreases false positives cancer detections and achieves an acc of 89%, though it still presents a notable false positive rate.

In 2019 Sarfaraz Hussein et al proposed both machine learning strategies supervised learning and the unsupervised learning to enhance the tumor characterization, first method is by using 3D Convolution Neural Network and the Transfer Learning and in second method with inspiration of learning from label proportion (LLP) approaches in computer vision [5].

In 2018 Muhammad et al proposed a method in order to improve lung cancer detection efficiency via their signs and symptoms, The authors aim to evaluate the discriminative power of various predictors in the study [6]. Various classifiers are implemented on a set of data which were obtained from UCI repository. Classifiers used are C4.5 Decision tree, Support Neural Network, Vector Machine (SVM), Naïve Bayes and Multi-Layer Perceptron. The performance was also compared with Random Forest and Majority Voting methods. Based on performance evaluations, it is observed that Gradient-boosted Tree performed well compare to other ensemble classifiers.

In 2018, IEEE Janee Alam et al. proposed a method for diagnosing and predicting lung cancer using a multi-class Support Vector Machine (SVM) classifier.. Multi-stage classification was employed in this cancer detection method. This method can also be used to forecast the risk of lung cancer. For every classification step, segmentation and image quality enhancement have been carried out independently. Scaling, color space modification, and contrast enhancement have all been done to enhance the image quality. Utilizing the marker-controlled watershed approach and segmentation threshold, an SVM binary classifier was employed for classification.

In 2016 Arnaud A. A. et al gave a description of the proposed design, that includes multiple layers of 2-D ConvNets, to get the final classification, the outputs are grouped and combined with the help of fusion technique [8].

In 2016 Junyuan Xie et al proposed a model using unsupervised learning, it explains about clustering [11]. Clustering is a key component of many data-driven application fields and has been extensively studied in terms of grouping techniques and distance functions. There hasn't been much focus on learning representations for grouping. On the other hand, misclassifying any image does not provide an estimated outcome.

Table below shows the comparison of the different methods using accuracy and sensitivity difference for lung nodule characterization [[2]3][4][5].

Table 2: Different classifiers used for detection of lung cancer

| Sl no. | Classifiers | Accuracy % | Sensitivity % |
|--------|---------------------------------|------------|---------------|
| 1. | ANN backpropagation | 89 | 80 |
| 2. | Clustering and RF | 76.74 | 58.59 |
| 3. | Clustering and SVM | 76.04 | 57.08 |
| 4. | SVM GIST | 81.56 | 71.31 |
| 5. | GIST features and LASSO | 76.8 | 67.5 |
| 6. | GIST features and RR | 76.4 | 67.44 |
| 7. | 3D CNN and LASSO | 86 | 50.30 |
| 8. | 3D CNN and RR | 88 | 49.7 |
| 9. | 3D CNN with Multi task learning | 91 | 45.9 |
| 10. | Auto MLP | 78.33 | 68 |

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| 11. | Naïve Bayes | 85.00 | 50.1 |
| 12. | Decision tree | 78.33 | 68.3 |
| 13. | Random forest | 79.17 | 65.4 |
| 14. | Gradient boosted tree | 90 | 50 |

Figure 2 presents a histogram illustrating the accuracy and sensitivity of different machine learning methods employed for pulmonary cancer detection. The data were compiled from keyword searches conducted across PubMed, CiteSeer, Google Scholar, the Science Citation Index, and other online sources.

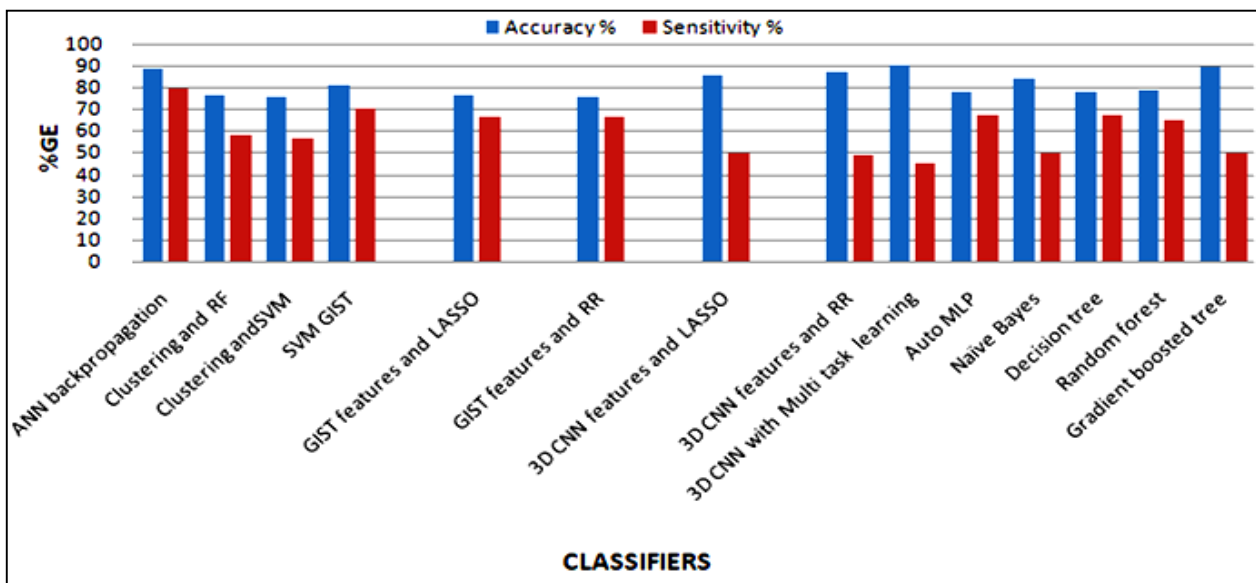


Figure 2: Histogram showing the accuracy and sensitivity of various ML- techniques

III. PROPOSED DESIGN PROCESS

The pulmonary cancer is predicted to become first deadliest disease by coming years. As mentioned, detecting a tumor in its initial stages is highly challenging. If it tumor is detected in its beginning stages, the cancer can be cured and mortality rate can be decreased. Radiographic tests for lung cancer are accessible, yet they are not effective in detecting cancer during its initial phases. In this regard we are planning to design a framework using AI with invasive/non invasive methods using biomarkers and images to predict/detect lung cancer in initial stages. Figure 3 below illustrates the design process for detecting cancer in its early stages.

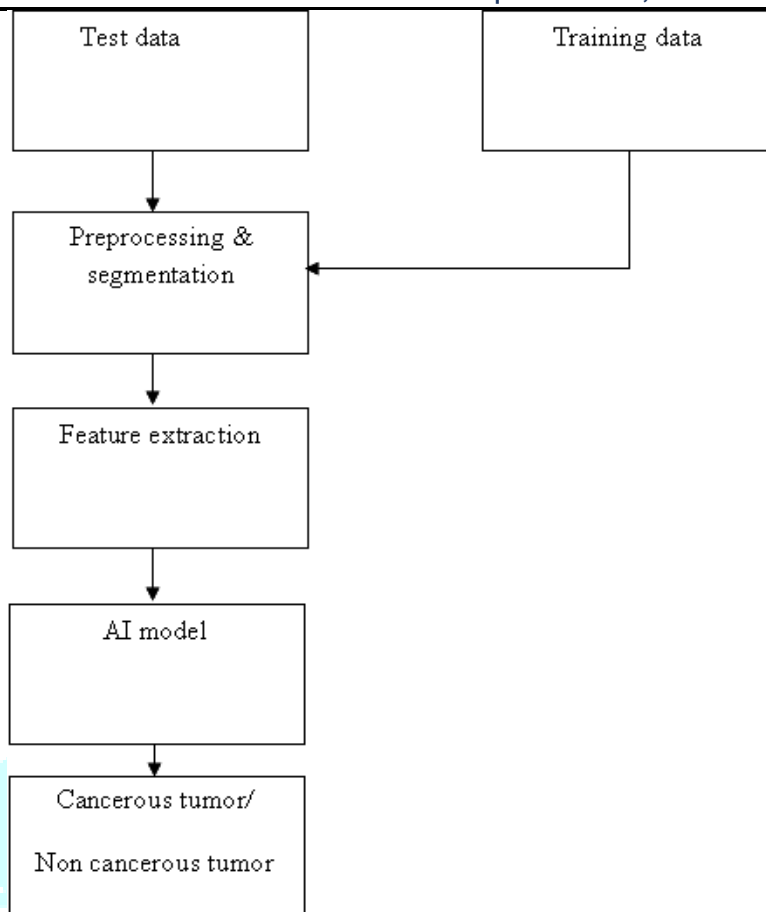


Figure 3: The proposed approach for detecting lung cancer.

Preprocessing: Most images are affected by artifacts from contrast variations and noise. Pre-processing techniques are used to reduce these artifacts while maintaining image details.

Image segmentation: This involves partitioning an image into several segments. This approach is used to identify objects and delineate boundaries within the image. It is a fundamental step in numerous subsequent image analysis techniques.

Feature extraction: This is a vital phase where algorithms and techniques are used to identify and isolate specific desired parts or shapes within an image. Many algorithms are utilized in image processing to assess the normality or abnormality of an image depending on the segmentation outcome. Key parameters that help in classifying cancerous regions include area, perimeter, eccentricity, and average intensity.

The AI models implemented for classification using the given training data to detect the cancerous tumor. And the corresponding models are evaluated using test data to get the good accuracy of the models.

IV. CONCLUSION

We know that Now-a-days, Cancer is the leading cause of death in many populations.. Lung cancer fatality cases are steadily increasing among them. According to this review, we concluded that there was no notable improvement in sensitivity, the no. of false positives, or the automation capability for nodule detection during the studied period. However, the CAD system enhances automation levels when integrated with the Picture Archiving and Communication System (PACS). The survey reveals that many methods have been utilized to detect early-stage lung cancer, but employing deep learning models can enhance accuracy in predicting and detecting lung cancer at Stages I and II.

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