

Prediction of Crop and Weed Growth Stages using Neural Network in Machine Learning

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Abstract: This paper presents the structure, usage and assessment of a convolutional neural system-based methodology has been applied for the arrangement of various phenological phases of plants. Our CNN design can consequently characterize distinctive phenological phases of eleven sorts of plants. So as to assess the presentation and productivity of our profound learning-based methodology, an old-style AI approach dependent on physically removed highlights is additionally executed. **Keywords:** Phenological Stages, Crop and Weed Growth Stages, Neural Network, Machine Learning

I. INTRODUCTION

Assurance of the phenological phases of plants is crucial for the extension of solid and beneficial plants. The information on progress times of phenological phases of a plant can give important information to arranging, sorting out and auspicious execution of rural exercises (showering, water system and so on). Past works center around either just about plant distinguishing proof or just phenological stage acknowledgment utilizing just a single surface examination technique. Our way to deal with the issue is novel on the grounds that not just the prominence of the plant type or the ubiquity of just the phenological stage, yet additionally joint recognizable proof of the plant type and the phenological stages are given a few surface and shading highlight examination strategies. In this work, an investigation is led to think about the utilization of a few picture surface highlights for the arrangement of the plants and their phenological stages. Checking phenology of horticultural plants might be a basic comprehension in exactness farming. Essential enhancements are regularly accomplished with exact recognition of phenological change of plants which may hereafter improve the planning for the gather, bug control, yield expectation, ranch observing, catastrophe cautioning and so forth. Numerous nations over the world have been creating activities to manufacture national farming observing system frameworks, since inducing the phenological data adds to a superior comprehension of connections between efficiency, vegetation wellbeing and ecological conditions. In this paper, we use a profound learning engineering to perceive and characterize phenological phases of a few sorts of plants. A pre-prepared Convolutional Neural Network design (CNN) is utilized to consequently extricate the highlights of pictures.

Farmers not just need to battle for the better yield against the catastrophic events yet additionally need to handle the misfortunes of the net yield as a result of land treatment particulars and untalented work as well. In case of insufficient utilities and assets, despite capricious emergencies, their benefit openings and work are relatively and unfavorably influenced. Notwithstanding, in this period of innovation, the situation may get changed as the Information and Communication and related fields of innovation are giving an incredible to such sort of emergency dealing with. Here in this paper, the strategy

which might be utilized to contrast the harvest leaf shading and the stage forecast has been proposed for getting an insight concerning the necessity of plant, before enough to get the yield utilizing profound learning calculation.

II. PROPOSED WORK

The term automated picture suggests getting ready of a two-dimensional picture by a PC. In a progressively broad setting, it gathers propelled treatment of any two-dimensional data. A modernized picture is an assortment of veritable or complex numbers addressed by a set number of bits. An image given inside the sort of a straightforwardness, slide, photograph or a X-bar is first digitized and taken care of as a system of twofold digits in memory. This digitized picture would then have the option to be set up just as appeared on a significant standards TV screen. For appear, the image is taken care of during a fast access pad memory, which resuscitates the screen at a pace of 25 housings for consistently to deftly an apparently relentless introduction. In this idea the phases of development are essential to assist ranchers with improving the yield. Data on which weed species are available inside rural fields is significant for site explicit weed the executives. This paper presents a strategy that is equipped for perceiving plant species in shading pictures by utilizing a convolutional neural system. In light of GLCM, division and arrangement can be handily performed. Consequently time utilization will be less. SVMs are a lot quicker than multilayer perceptron systems and precisely anticipate target likelihood score.

The objective is to design and implement a convolutional neural network-based approach has been applied for the classification of different phenological stages of plants. The existing system had the following drawbacks [1] In the existing there was no proper system for preventing diseases in plants. [2] They manually check for the health conditions of the plants. [3] Prediction of diseases is tough for farmers as new type of bacterial and viral diseases keep coming up. Image processing can reduce the total information of plant image to a manageable amount, by increasing edges and making geometrical corrections, before the analysis of measurements and identification of some specific details like size, area and shape. The biggest advantage of image analysis is that it can view specific areas and contrast colors. This allows visual explication and interactive analysis by the

computer. The analysed images can also be stored in a mass memory. Thus, plant leaf area is often wont to predict the expansion of plants as functions of environmental conditions. Disruptive harvesting of plants by sampling of leaves is the most accurate way to measure the leaf area, but it is not good to make repeated measurements on the same plants or remote measurement of plants. Moreover, the worlds of the leaves are often predicted supported the correlations between the area and dimensions of leaf size and shape.

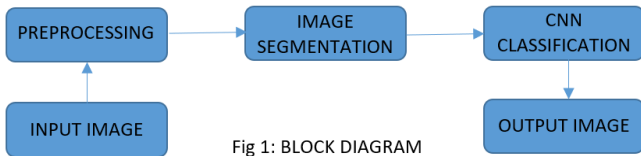


Fig 1: BLOCK DIAGRAM

The proposed system consists of four major modules [1] *Pre-processing*: The images which are taken as input may have some possibility of disturbances like noise, blurriness etc. The main aim of image pre-processing is to improve image data and to remove these unnecessary things for making suitable for our process. Image pre-processing is used to correct degradation in the input images. Pre-processing techniques involves enhancing contrast, removing noise, etc.

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4 - [fna, pna]=uigetfile({'*.jpg;*.bmp;*.png'}, 'Select file');
5 - fanme=[pna fna];
6 - im = double(imread(fanme));
7 - im=imresize(im, [200 300]);
8 - figure; imshow(uint8(im)); title('Input image');
  
```

We take input from the user and store it into file name and path name, Next, we take the image in double format and resizing it for easy pre-processing. Next, converting it into uint8 format and displaying the input image. Here, we take a Maize plant for testing purpose Plant for testing purpose.

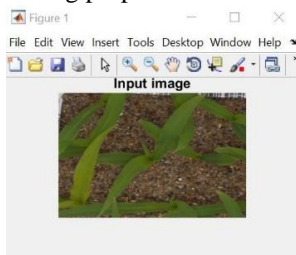


Fig 2: Input Image

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10 - im=im/255;
11 - [M, N, plane] = size(im);
12 - Imnew=uint8(im*255);
13 - L=rgb2ycbcr(Imnew);
14 - figure; imshow(L, []); title('YCbCr converted image');
  
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Next, we divide the image by 255 to describe the range from 0 to 255. Black is denoted as 0 and White is denoted as 255. Values in between represent different shades of gray. Next, we classify the image into M rows, N columns and

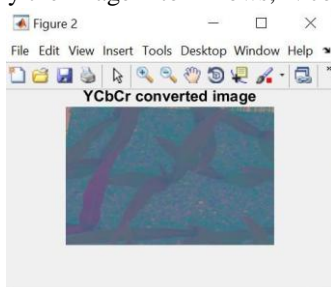


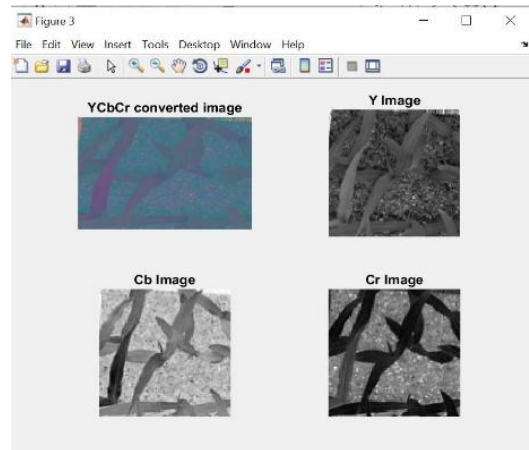
Fig 3: YCbCr Converted Image

plane stores the RGB layers of the image. Now we convert the image into Y, Cb, Cr format. Y represents luma component and CB and CR represent the blue-difference and red-difference chroma components.

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16 - L1=imresize(L, [100 100]);
17 - subplot(221); imshow(L, []); title('YCbCr converted image');
18 - Y=L1(:, :, 1); subplot(222); imshow(Y, []); title('Y Image');
19 - Cb=L1(:, :, 2); subplot(223); imshow(Cb, []); title('Cb Image');
20 - Cr=L1(:, :, 3); subplot(224); imshow(Cr, []); title('Cr Image');
  
```

Next, we classify individual Y, Cb, Cr component



individually. The individual Y, Cb, Cr component we get is—
Fig 4 Y, Cb, Cr Components

[2] *Segmentation*: Segmentation is to isolate the homogeneous zone. Many mechanized procedures were proposed to defeat the repetitive and tedious undertaking of human specialists in tallying and grouping phases of plant. We resize the image after conversion. We convert the Cb and Cr component into double format for calculation purpose and create a Gaussian Distribution.

The reason for this stage is to section the leaf picture from the relative foundation. The separated Cb and Cr coefficients from our preparation pictures during pre-handling stage are currently used to construct a Gaussian Distribution as appeared in conditions 1, 2, 3, 4.

$$bmean = \text{mean}(cb) \quad (1)$$

Where cb is that the row vector containing all Cb coefficients obtained from our training images, and bmean is that the blue mean of this vector.

$$rmean = \text{mean}(cr) \quad (2)$$

Where cr is that the row vector containing all Cb coefficients obtained from our training images, and rmean is that the red mean of this vector.

$$brcov = \text{cov}(cb, cr) \quad (3)$$

(Where brcov is that the co-variance of the 2 row vectors cb and cr. The result's a 2x2 matrix)

$$\text{magCov} = (\text{brcov}(1, 1)*\text{brcov}(2, 2) - \text{brcov}(2, 1)*\text{brcov}(1, 2)) \quad (4)$$

Where magCov is the magnitude of the brcov.

In the testing stage the Gaussian distribution is applied on the info test picture to achieve the division stage as appeared in underneath conditions.

$$x = [(cb - bmean), (cr - rmean)] \quad (5)$$

Gaussian circulation is applied to check pictures inside the YCbCr space to extricate our significant pixels that are most likely included to our districts of intrigue ROI.

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22 % segmentation
23 Cb=double(Cb);Cr=double(Cr);
24 bmean=mean(Cb(:));%equ 1
25 rmean=mean(Cr(:));%equ 2
26 brcov=cov(double(Cb(:)),double(Cr(:)));%equ 3
27 magCov = (brcov(1,1)*brcov(2,2)-brcov(2,1)*brcov(1,2));%equ 4
28 x=[Cb(:)-bmean,Cr(:)-rmean];
29 GauF=exp(-0.5*x*inv(brcov)*x)/(2*pi*magCov);
    
```

[2.1] **Normalization:** Here, we reshape the mean of our Gaussian Function using the size vector of Cb-by-1 and Cr-by-2 matrix. Next, we take absolute value of the resized image and deploy it back to our range of 0- 255 and convert it back to uint8 format.

```

31 % normalization
32 NormA=reshape(mean(GauF,2),size(Cb,1),size(Cb,2));
33 NormA=abs(imresize(NormA,[size(im,1) size(im,2)]));
34 NormA=(NormA./max(NormA(:)))*255;
35 NormA=uint8(NormA).*L(:,:,1);
36 % adaptive thresholding
37 ThreA=otsu(round(L(:,:,1)));
38 SegBin=double(L(:,:,1)<ThreA);
39 figure;
40 imshow(SegBin);title('Adaptive Thresholded Image');
    
```

[2.3] **Adaptive Thresholding using Otsu's Method:** In the simplest form, the algorithm returns a single intensity threshold that separate pixels into two classes, foreground and background. SegBin returns a Binary image Whose value is less than the Threshold value found by otsu method.

```

1 function [K] = otsu(im)
2 % OTSU thresholds gray-scale image using Otsu's method.
3 im = uint8(im); %Change it back to uint8
4 h = imhist(im); %Get the histogram of the image
5 h = h/sum(h); %normalize the histogram
6 im = double(im);
7 mn = min(min(im))+1;
8 mx = max(max(im))+1;
9 j = 0:255;
10 ut=sum(h.*j);
11 dett=sum(h.*(j-ut).^2);
12 w0 = 0;
13 mxvalue = 0;
14 for i=mn:mx-1
15 j=0:i-1;
16 w0 = w0 + h(i);
17 w1 = 1 - w0;
18 u0 = sum(h(j+1).*j)/w0;
19 u1=(ut-w0.*u0)/w1;
20 detb=w0.*w1.*(u0-u1).^2;
21 n = detb/dett;
22 if (n > mxvalue)
23 mxvalue = n;
24 K=i-1;
25 end;
26 end;
    
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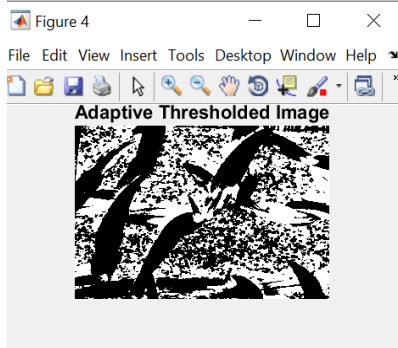


Fig 5: Adaptive Threshold Image

[2.4] **Masking:** We create a im-by-im matrix of zeros and store it in ReYcbr and ReRGB. Next, we run a for loop for i

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43 ReYcbr=zeros(size(im));
44 ReRGB=zeros(size(im));
45 % Th=100;
46 for i=1:M
47 for j=1:N
48 if SegBin(i,j)==1
49 ReYcbr(i,j,:)=double(L(i,j,:));
50 ReRGB(i,j,:)=im(i,j,:);
51 end
52 end
53 end
54 figure, imshow(uint8(ReYcbr));title('YCbCr Mask image');
55 figure, imshow(ReRGB);title('RGB Mask image');
    
```

= 1:M and j = 1:N i.e. for every element in row and column of our image. If the SegBin for that particular matrix element is equal to 1 then we store the double value of YCbCr component into ReYcbr matrix and normal RGB value to ReRGB.

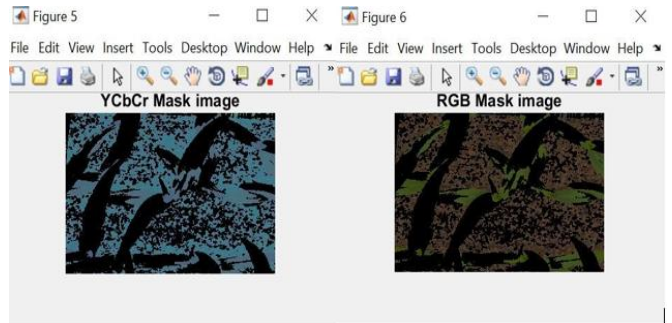


Fig 6: YCbCr and RGB Mask Image

[2.4] **K-mean Clustering:** Clustering looks the gathering of a multi-dimensional informational collection by contrasting likeness or disparity esteems. Here we use technique for partitioning bunching, parcel the given examples has K-groups, the highlights in a specific example bunch are fundamentally the same as each other than to those highlights in various example gatherings. It is computationally extremely productive, if the bunches are very much isolated and conservative this technique gives agreeable outcome. For segment the powers saw in the picture into comparative gatherings they use picture division by utilizing bunching technique and divided picture into groups or locales.

```

57 % Segmentation:
58 cform = makecform('srgb2lab');
59 lab_he = applycform(im,cform);
60
61 ab = double(lab_he(:,2:3));
62 nrows = size(ab,1);
63 ncols = size(ab,2);
64 ab = reshape(ab,nrows*ncols,2);
65 nColors = 4;
66 % repeat the clustering 3 times to avoid local minima
67 [cluster_idx, cluster_center] = kmeans(ab,nColors,'distance','sqEuclidean', ...
68 'Replicates',3);
69 pixel_labels = reshape(cluster_idx,nrows,ncols);
70 figure;
71 imshow(pixel_labels,[], title('image labeled by cluster index'));
    
```

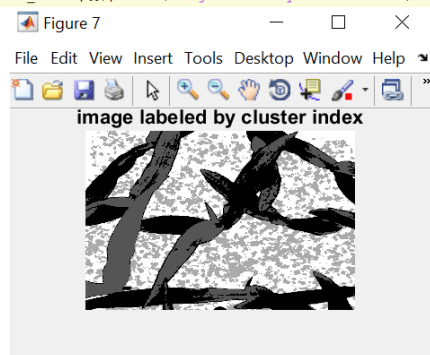


Fig 7: Image Labeled by Cluster Index

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74 segmented_images = cell(1,3);
75 rgb_label = repmat(pixel_labels,[1 1 3]);
76
77 for k = 1:nColors
78 color = im;
79 color(rgb_label == k) = 0;
80 segmented_images(k) = color;
81 end
82 figure
83 subplot(211);imshow(im), title('Contrast Enhanced image');
84 subplot(245);imshow(segmented_images{1}), title('K-means Cluster 1');
85 subplot(246);imshow(segmented_images{2}), title('K-means Cluster 2');
86 subplot(247);imshow(segmented_images{3}), title('K-means Cluster 3');
87 subplot(248);imshow(segmented_images{4}), title('K-means Cluster 4');
    
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We create a 1-by-3 empty cell array and store it as segmented_images. We create an array containing [1,1,3] copies of pixel_labels in the row and column dimensions. The size of rgb_label is size(pixel_labels)*[1,1,3] when pixel_labels is a matrix. We run a for loop for 1: n Colors(=4) and extract the Contrast Enhanced Image and all the 4 clusters.

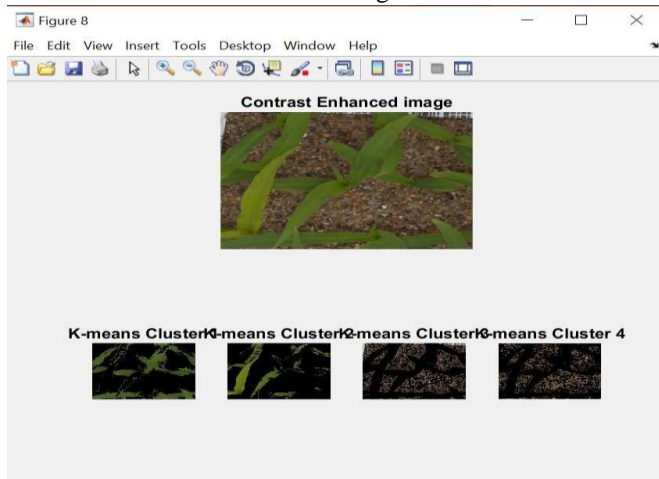


Fig 8: Contrast EnhancedImage and K Mean Clusters

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89 - [SOrder insert]=sort(cluster_center(:,1));
90 - SegN=segmented_images{insert(end)};
91 - SegC=segmented_images{insert(end-1)};
92
93 - figure;
94 - subplot(311); imshow(im);
95 - title('Image');
96 - subplot(312); imshow(SegN);
97 - subplot(313); imshow(SegC);
98 - title('ROI');
    
```

SOrder lists the sorted data and insert contains the corresponding indices of cluster_center, Next, we store the the last and last but one indice in SegN and SegC respectively, Next, we display the last 2 indices, where last but one indice is our Region of Interest.

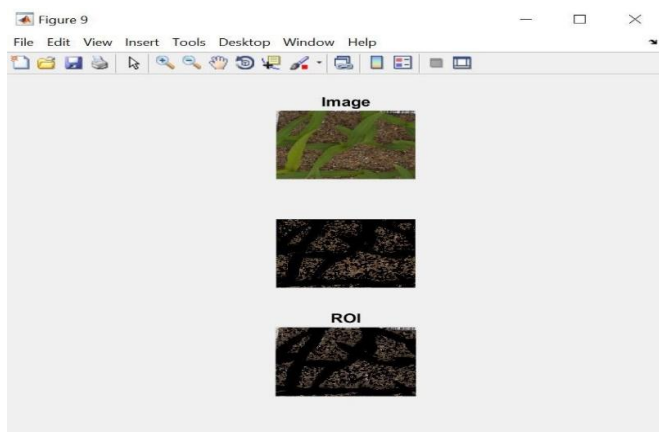


Fig 9: Region of Interest

[3] *Feature Extraction*: In picture preparing highlight determination is also alluded to as factor choice, or variable subset choice, it's the technique for picking an important element to be utilized in model development. include extraction might be an extraordinary kind of dimensionality decrease. At the point when the information record to a calculation is simply too huge to possibly be prepared, at that point the info document will be changed into a diminished portrayal set of highlights. Changing the info record into the

arrangement of highlights is named include extraction. Highlight extraction, is utilized to remove the individual cells from the information picture. We start GLCM by changing over the ROI's into grayscale, at that point we get the grayscale coocurrence framework. details = graycoprops(g,properties) figures the insights indicated in properties from the dim level co-event lattice g. g is a m-by-n-by-p exhibit of legitimate dim level co-event frameworks. On the off chance that g is a variety of GLCMs, details is a variety of insights for each glcm. Next, we extricate data from details exhibit about Contrast, Correlation, Energy, Homogeneity, Mean, Standard Deviation, Entropy, RMS,

```

100 % Feature Extraction---GLCM
101 - signal=rgb2gray(SegN+SegC);
102 - G = signal;
103 - g = graycomatrix(G);
104 - stats = graycoprops(g,'Contrast Correlation Energy Homogeneity');
105 - Contrast = stats.Contrast;
106 - Correlation = stats.Correlation;
107 - Energy = stats.Energy;
108 - Homogeneity = stats.Homogeneity;
109 - Mean = mean2(G);
110 - Standard_Deviation = std2(G);
111 - Entropy = entropy(G);
112 - RMS = mean2(rms(G));
113 - Variance = mean2(var(double(G)));
114 - a = sum(double(G(:)));
115 - Smoothness = 1-(1/(1+a));
116 - Kurtosis = kurtosis(double(G(:)));
117 - Skewness = skewness(double(G(:)));
    
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Variance, Smoothness, Kurtosis and Skewness.

Inverse Difference Moment quantifies the neighbourhood homogeneity of an image. The frequency of co-event of pixel sets is upgraded once they are attracted dim worth and, in this manner, builds the IDM esteem.

```

119 % Inverse Difference Movement
120 - m = size(G,1);
121 - n = size(G,2);
122 - in_diff = 0;
123 - for i = 1:m
124 -     for j = 1:n
125 -         temp = G(i,j)/(1+(i-j).^2);
126 -         in_diff = in_diff+temp;
127 -     end
128 - end
129 - IDM = double(in_diff);
130
131 - imG=imresize(rgb2gray(Imnew), [28 28]);
132 - imG1=(imG(:));
133 - TestFeatures = [imG1(1:end-13),Contrast,Correlation,Energy,Homogeneity,
134 - Mean, Standard_Deviation, Entropy, RMS, Variance, Smoothness, Kurtosis, Skewness, IDM];
135 - Test_Features = double(TestFeatures);
    
```

[4] *Classification*: Classification is to relate the satisfactory class mark (kind of surface) with the biopsy test by utilizing the estimations. The determination of noticeable highlights assumes a significant job in decreasing the computational unpredictability of a classifier.

[4.1] *Convolutional Neural Network (CNN)*: In neural systems, Convolutional neural system (ConvNets or CNNs) is one among the most classifications to attempt to pictures acknowledgment, pictures arrangements. Items location, acknowledgment faces and so forth. In our venture CNN is utilized as a Classifier. CNN picture orders take an info picture, process it and group it under specific classes (Leukemia or Myeloma). In view of the picture goals, a picture is isolated into cluster of lattice of grayscale picture. [4.1.1] *Convolution Layer*: Convolution is that the main layer to separate highlights from an info picture. Convolution protects the association between pixels by learning picture highlights utilizing little squares of info information. It is a scientific procedure that takes two sources of info like picture network and a channel or piece. Convolution of an image with various channels can perform activities like edge location, obscure and hone by applying channels.

[4.1.2] *Padding*: Some of the time channel doesn't fit entirely fit the information picture. We have two alternatives:

1. Pad the image with zeros (zero-cushioning) so it fits.
 2. Drop the piece of the picture where the channel didn't fit.
- This is called legitimate cushioning which keeps just substantial a piece of the picture.

[4.1.3] *Non Linearity (ReLU)*: ReLU's motivation is to present non-linearity in our ConvNet. Since, this present reality information would need our ConvNet to discover would be non-negative straight qualities. There are other non-direct capacities like tanh or sigmoid additionally can be utilized instead of ReLU. The greater part of the data researchers use ReLU since execution shrewd ReLU is best than other two.

[4.1.4] *Pooling Layer*: Pooling layers area would downsize the quantity of parameters when the photos are overlarge. Spatial pooling likewise called subsampling or down examining which lessens the dimensionality of each guide yet holds the significant data. Spatial pooling can be of various kinds:

- Max Pooling
- Average Pooling
- Sum Pooling

Max pooling take the most significant component from the amended element map. Taking the most significant component could likewise take the run of the mill pooling. Total of all components inside the element map call as total pooling.

[4.1.5] *Fully Connected Layer*: The layer we call as FC layer, we leveled our lattice into vector and feed it into a completely associated layer like neural system.

[5] *Novelty*: The growing technology plays a major role and techniques like Machine Learning; Deep Learning are used. A captured image undergoes processes like pre-processing and segmentation. K-means clustering is used for segmentation. After segmentation, they undergo classification using Machine learning algorithms. This process will help to identify the crop name with stages of the crop and then the accuracy of the system using CNN will be identified.

III.RESULTS

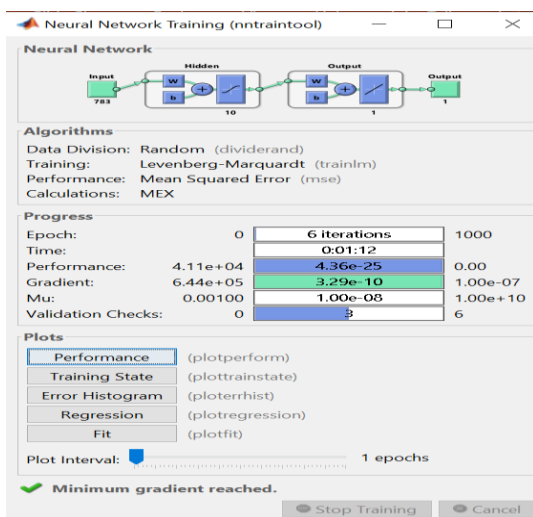


Fig 10: Neural Network Training

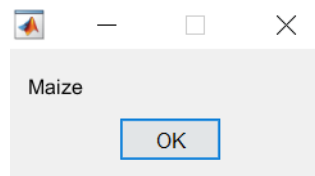


Fig 11: Crop Detected

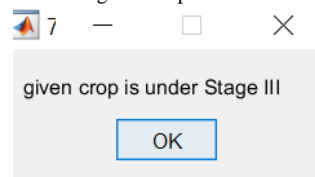


Fig 12: Stage Detected

In our Project, we had 11 plants to be classified into 3 stages each, where we had database of 350+ images with different angles and light intensities. The 11 plants are:

- 1.Black-grass 2. Charlock 3. Common Chickweed 4. Common wheat 5. Fat Hen 6. Loose Silky-bent 7. Maize 8. Scentless Mayweed 9. Shepherd's Purse 10. Small-flowered Cranesbill 11. Sugar beet

Further we compared the accuracy of our algorithm with existing Random Forest algorithm as:

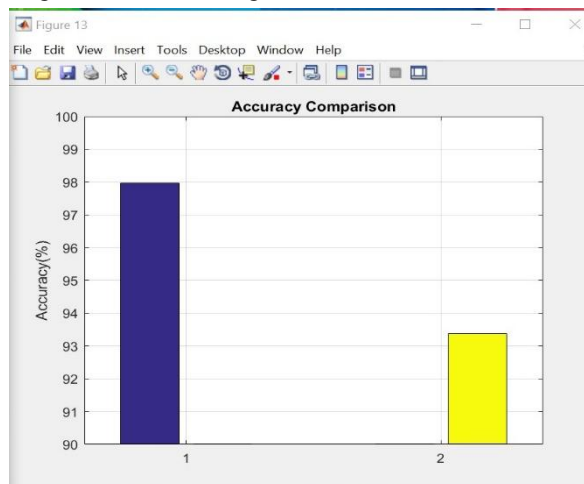


Fig 11: Accuracy Comparison

IV. CONCLUSION

In this project, a convolutional neural system-based methodology has been applied for the characterization of various phenological phases of plants. Our CNN engineering can naturally group diverse phenological phases of eleven sorts of plants. So as to assess the exhibition and productivity of our profound learning-based methodology, a traditional AI approach dependent on physically removed highlights is likewise actualized. Textural highlights dependent on GLCM highlights have been extricated and joined arrangement of highlights are taken care of into an AI calculation. The characterization pace of the methodology dependent on physically extricated highlights are contrasted with those of our CNN based methodology. Trial results demonstrate that CNN put together methodology is altogether successful with respect to the eleven sorts of plants we probed. There are various ways profound learning can be applied on a dataset relying upon the size of the dataset. While a CNN can be prepared without any preparation, since it requires a huge measure of preparing information, an option has been finetuning pre-prepared CNN structures. There are many research bearings that we

are wanting to take for characterizing phenological stages. Future work may comprise of building our own CNN design without any preparation especially prepared for grouping phenological phases of plants, just as exploring different avenues regarding other pre-prepared CNN models and making sense of an approach to recognize sicknesses in crops.

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