



LapseNet: A Hybrid CNN-LSTM Approach for Accurate and Efficient Vision-Based Fall Detection

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Background



Background

- Falls are the leading cause of injury for adults ages 65 years and older^[1]
- 37% of the 14 million US adults who experienced a fall required medical attention from 2012 to 2018^[2]
- 50% of falls among individuals aged 70+ resulting in injuries needing medical treatment^[3]

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Related Work



Related Work

- Wearable devices
 - Hussain et al.^[4] - F1 score of 0.67
 - Limitations: sensitivity to stress-induced movements and impact with an object
- Sound-based approaches
 - Kaur et al.^[5] - Accuracy of 0.867
 - Limitations: privacy concerns and noisy environments
- Biomedical systems
 - Butt et al.^[6] - Accuracy of 96.5%
 - Limitations: lacks testing on target demographic and has an insufficient number of trials
- Vision-based technology
 - Maitre et al.^[7] - Best accuracy of 89%
 - Show promise, but currently lags behind other technologies

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Methods

Data Acquisition

- Four diverse public datasets:
 - UR Fall Detection
 - Multiple Cameras Fall
 - CAUCAFall
 - UBFC Fall Detection



Fig. 1. Sample video frames from CAUCAFall Dataset



Preprocessing

- CAUCAFall, Multiple Cameras Fall, and UBFC datasets consist of files in .avi format
- UR Fall Detection Dataset stores videos as folders of frames (PNGs)
- Processed into lists of images of size 128×128
- Condensed videos into sequences of 30 frames
- Created and concatenated datasets
 - `tf.data.Dataset` object
 - `from_tensor_slices` method
- Batch size of 16

CNN-LSTM Model

- Hybrid CNN and LSTM
- Keras & Tensorflow backend
- Trained to minimize binary cross-entropy loss

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{BCE}} = -\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N [y_i \log(p_i) + (1 - y_i) \log(1 - p_i)]$$

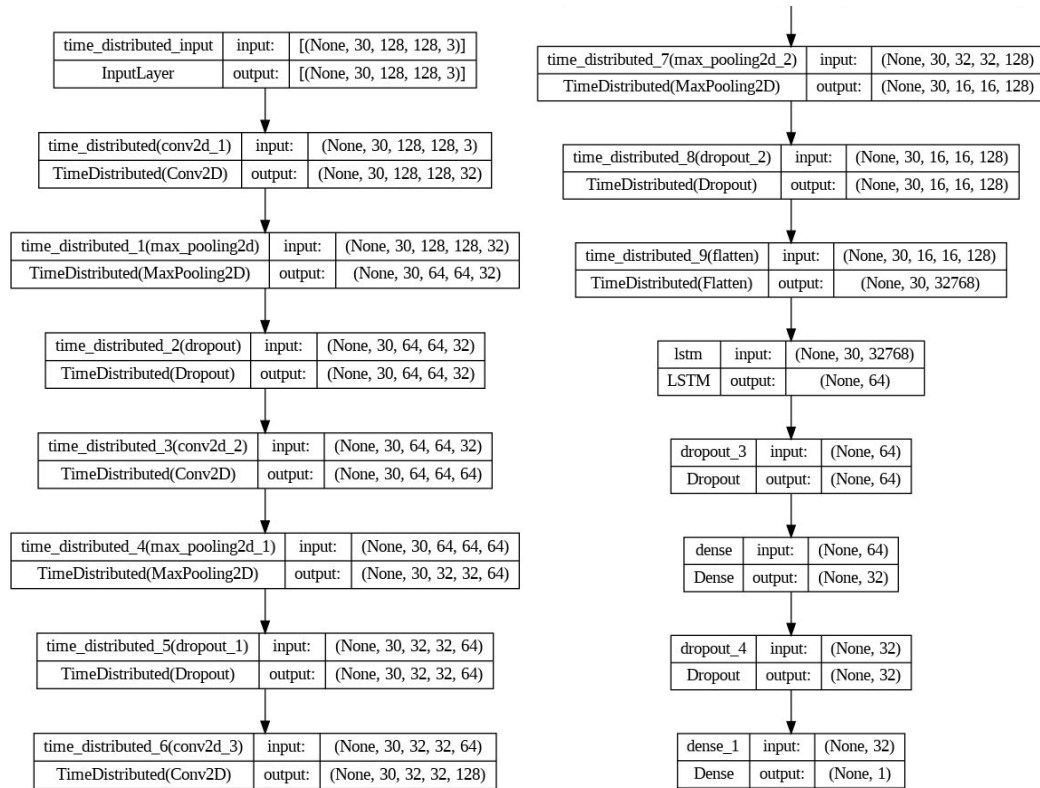


Fig. 2. Model Summary

CNN-LSTM Model

- Processes input video frames using multiple parallel streams
- Conv2D layers for feature extraction
- MaxPooling2D layers for downsampling
- Dropout layers for regularization

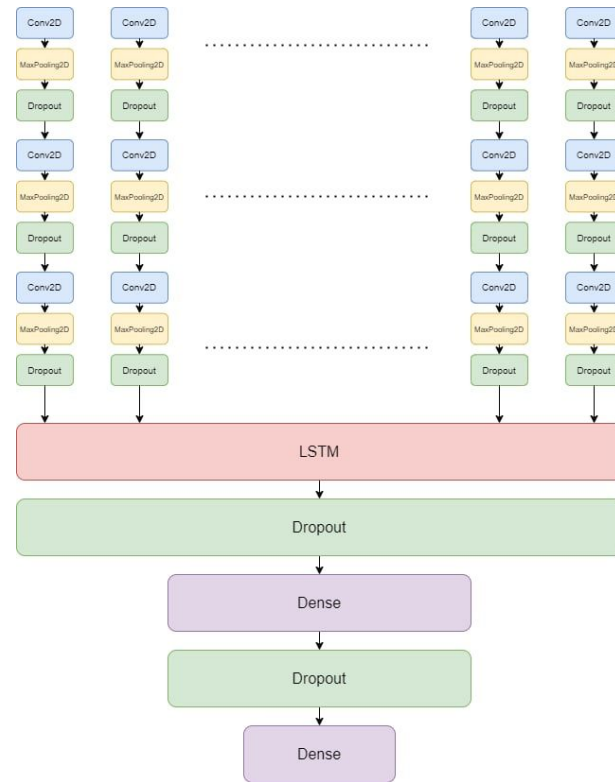


Fig. 3. Model Architecture



Training

- 70-20-10 train-test-validation split
- Trained with 83.5 GB RAM
- Google Colab A100 GPU
- 80-epoch training
- 0.001 learning rate
- Adam optimizer
- 289.9 s training time



Results & Discussion



Model Performance

- Training accuracy of 99.43%
- Validation and test accuracy of 100% each
- Maintains high level of performance with 4 diverse datasets
 - Other vision-based approaches like Lu et al.^[8] only used 1-2 datasets
- High accuracy, precision, recall, and AUC
 - Better results than studies like Su et al. ^[9], who achieved an accuracy of 98.06% on UR Fall Dataset and 94.84% on Multiple Cameras Fall Dataset
- Lightweight architecture

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Model Performance

- 5 performance metrics: accuracy, AUC, loss, recall, and precision

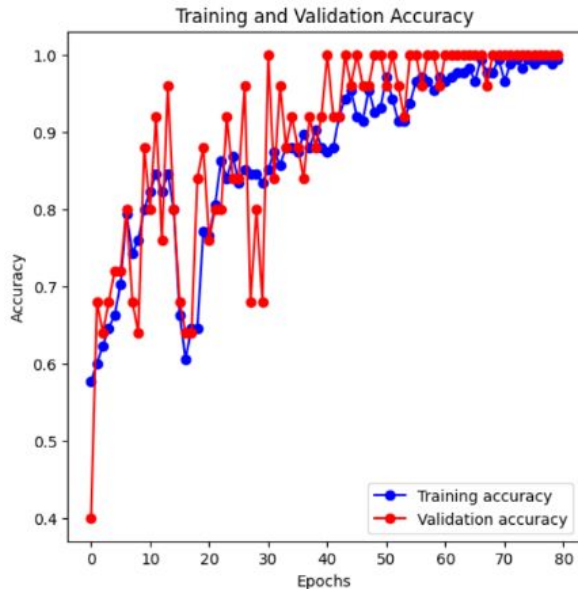


Fig. 4. Training and Validation Accuracy Plot

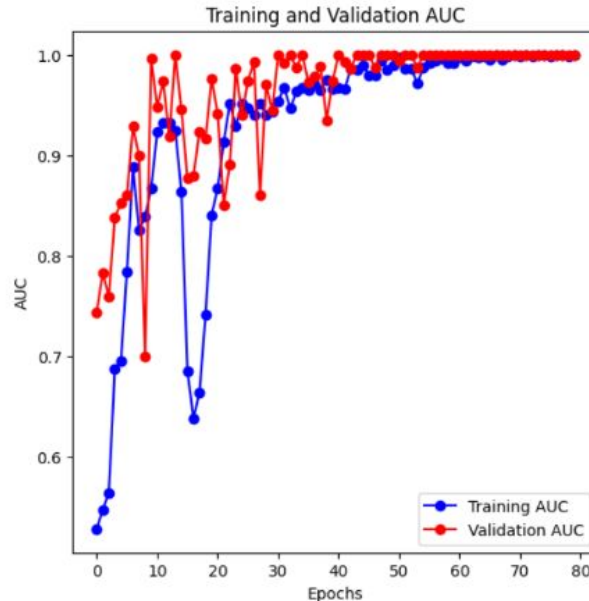


Fig. 5. Training and Validation AUC Plot

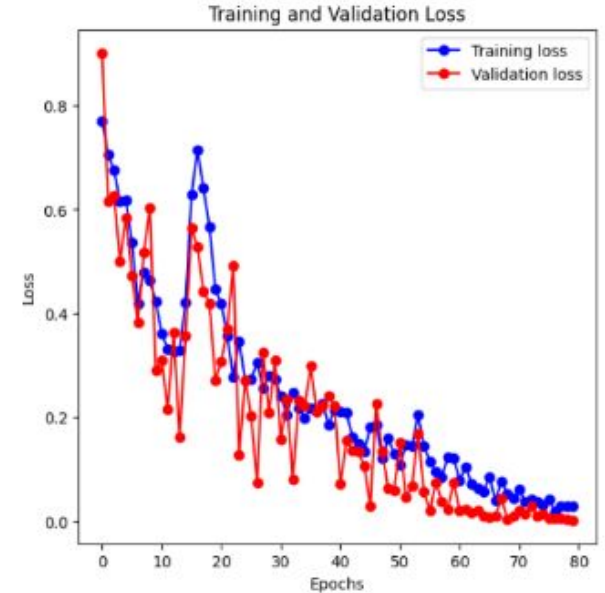


Fig. 6. Training and Validation Loss Plot

Model Performance

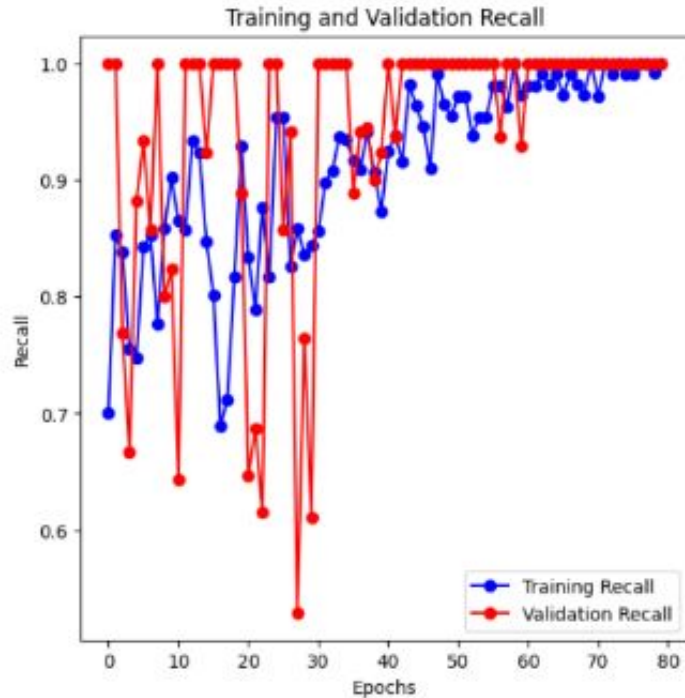


Fig. 7. Training and Validation Recall Plot

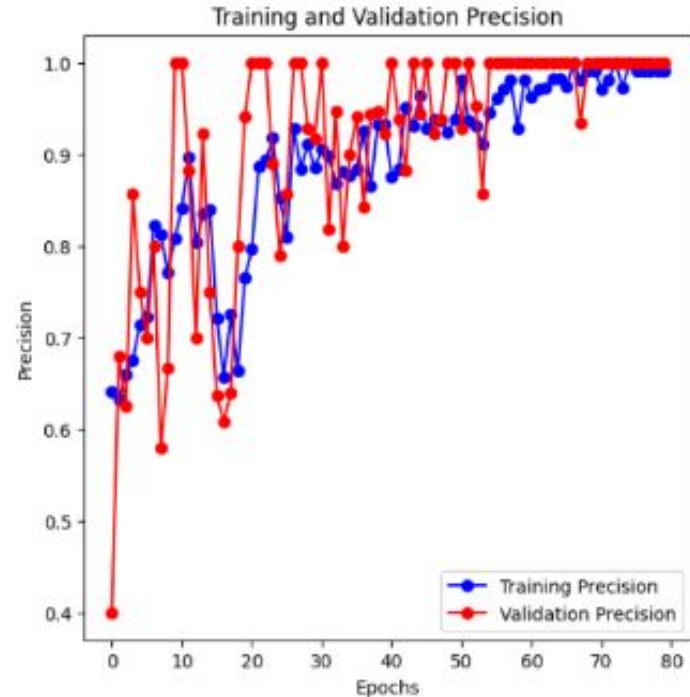


Fig. 8. Training and Validation Precision Plot



Conclusion



Conclusion

- Trained with four diverse datasets
- Validation & testing accuracies near 100%
- 0% false positive rate
- Reliable & practical model



Future Work



Future Work

- Train with more participants
- Simulate falls in different locations/angles
- Multimodal approach- integrate with acoustic detection/wearable devices
- Object detection and body landmark tracking for additional information
- Expand LapseNet to workplace accidents
- Integrate LapseNet into a system that can be connected to security cameras in buildings



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[https://github.com/sjain2025/
LapseNet_Fall_Detection](https://github.com/sjain2025/LapseNet_Fall_Detection)