Image classification of Human Face Shapes Using Convolutional Neural Network Xception Architecture with Transfer Learning

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Abstract. The development of information technology in facial recognition is influenced by a faster and more accurate authentication system. This allows the computer system to identify a person's face. Similar to fingerprints and the retina of the human eye, each person's face has a different shape and contour. Since it is known that the human face provides a lot of information, as well as topics that attract attention make it studied intensively.

Purpose: Several studies examining information from human faces are facial recognition. One of the approaches used to recognize facial imagery is through the use of a Convolutional Neural Network (CNN). CNN is a method in the field of Deep Learning that can be used to recognize and classify objects in digital images. In this study, the method used to implement facial image classification is the Xception architecture CNN algorithm with a transfer learning approach.

Methods/Study design/approach: The dataset used in this study was obtained from Kaggle, namely the Face Shape Dataset which contains 5000 data. After testing, an accuracy rate of 96.2% was obtained in the training process and 81.125% in the validation process. This study also uses new data to test the model that has been made, and the results show an accuracy rate of 85.1% in classifying facial imagery.

Keywords: Image Classification, Face Shape, Convolutional Neural Network, Xception, Transfer Learning

INTRODUCTION

The development of information technology in facial recognition is influenced by a faster and more accurate authentication system. This allows the computer system to identify a person's face. Similar to fingerprints and the retina of the human eye, each person's face has a different shape and contour. So that the face can be used as a tool or model to identify a person[1]. There are many recognition objects used for recognition studies, one of which is facial shape[2]. Humans have various facial shapes that can be categorized into 5, namely oval, round, oblong, square, and heart[3]. Face recognition is an important first step and is required by many computer applications. Face recognition is the process of identifying a person in an image or video. This identification is carried out through a database that stores many individuals[4],[5].

Face recognition is also a pattern recognition and image processing application that can be used to solve various problems. Previously, various algorithms have been introduced to solve problems regarding facial recognition. Unfortunately, the implementation of the algorithm is not accurate enough. To overcome this problem, there is a new approach in the form of artificial neural networks based on deep learning. Face recognition can be done using deep learning. One of the deep learning methods currently being developed is the Convolutional Neural Network (CNN). CNN has proven to be able to classify images very well[6][7]. The CNN method is a method that takes input data in the form of images. This method has a special layer called the convolution layer. In the convolution layer, the input image will produce patterns from different parts, making it easier to classify later[8][9].

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CNN is a deep learning algorithm that is currently a trend in classifying images. The CNN algorithm has many types of architectures such as Google-Net, Xception-Net, VGG-Net, DenseNet, Le-Net, and others. One approach that can be applied to the CNN method in classification problems is the transfer learning approach. In this study, the CNN method uses the Xception architecture with a transfer learning approach to classify objects.

**METHODS**

In this study, classification was carried out using facial image objects and using the Convolutional Neural Network (CNN) method with the Xception architecture transfer learning approach [10][11]. In recent years, the field of computer vision has made significant strides in understanding and interpreting images. One fascinating application of computer vision is the classification of human face shapes. Identifying face shapes is not only important for cosmetic and fashion industries but also plays a crucial role in fields like medical diagnostics and biometrics. In this article, we delve into the world of image classification using deep learning techniques, particularly Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs). We will explore how to leverage the power of transfer learning and the Xception architecture to create a robust face shape classification model [12]. The model framework that will be carried out can be seen in Figure 1.

![Flowchart Research Design](image_url)

**Figure 1. Flowchart Research Design**

Convolutional Neural Networks have proven to be exceptionally effective in image classification tasks. They are designed to automatically learn patterns and features from images, making them an ideal choice for our face shape classification problem. Transfer learning is a technique where we take a pre-trained neural network and fine-tune it for a specific task [13][14][15]. In our case, we'll use a pre-trained Xception model,
which is known for its excellent performance on image-related tasks. We've explored the exciting world of image classification for human face shapes [16][17]. By employing Convolutional Neural Networks and transfer learning with the Xception architecture, we can create a robust model capable of accurately categorizing faces into oval, round, square, heart, and diamond shapes. The potential applications of such a model are vast, ranging from personalized beauty recommendations to medical diagnostics. As computer vision continues to advance, the accuracy and efficiency of these models will only improve, opening up new possibilities in the world of image analysis and interpretation [18].

RESULT AND DISCUSSION
In this study the method used is the Convolutional Neural Network (CNN) Xception architecture with Transfer learning approach. The research was carried out in several stages. The steps include data collection from Kaggle, preprocessing, data split into training and validation sets, training with the pre-trained Xception model, and evaluating the model using a confusion matrix.

Dataset
In this study, a public dataset called Face Shape Dataset was used which was obtained through Kaggle. This dataset is collected by Niten Lama and consists of 5000 images of female celebrities from various countries. Each image is categorized based on face shape into five main classes, namely Heart, Oblong, Oval, Round, and Square. This dataset can be accessed via the link https://www.kaggle.com/datasets/niten19/face-shape-dataset, example dataset as shown in Figure 2.

![Example Dataset](https://example.com/face_shape_dataset.jpg)

Preprocessing Data
The augmentation process for facial image data for the training process is carried out to prevent overfitting. Figure 3 shows the results of the data augmentation process. You can see some examples of augmentation results, such as image flipping, shifting, and scaling.

![Preprocessing Result](https://example.com/preprocessing_result.jpg)

Modeling
Making a model or modeling consists of several processes. To create a classification model for facial imagery, facial imagery is needed as a source of learning data. Image data is loaded into two variables, namely training image data and validation image data. The image size for each variable is changed to 224x224 pixels. Model making in this study was carried out using a transfer learning approach. The part of

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the model that will be made is the layer for feature extraction using the Xception layer and for the fully connected layer consisting of 3 layers. The final model that has been designed can be seen in Figure 4.

![Final Model](image)

**Figure 4 Final Model**

**Training Process**

Table 1 shows the results of the training using 20 iterations (epochs) on the training and validation dataset. In the training dataset, the first epoch produces an accuracy of 0.2702 with a loss of 1.5732. Furthermore, in the second epoch the accuracy increased to 0.4109 with a loss of 1.3908. This process continues until the 20th epoch, where the accuracy reaches 0.9627 with a loss of 0.1107. For the validation dataset, in the first epoch the accuracy was 0.3073 with a loss of 1.6039. In the second epoch, the accuracy increased to 0.3620 with a loss of 2.6849. In the 20th epoch, the accuracy reached 0.8125 with a loss of 0.7738. Thus, the training results show an increase in accuracy and a decrease in loss as the number of epochs increases.

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Figure 5 shows a graph of the movement of accuracy values for the train data and validation data generated at each iteration (epoch). Based on the figure, the red line shows the movement for the data train, while the blue line shows the movement of the accuracy value for data validation, it can be seen that for the data train, the accuracy value obtained at the beginning of the epoch produces 0.2702, continues to rise until the epoch
with a value highest accuracy 0.9627. As for data validation, the accuracy value for the last epoch was 0.8125.

![Training and validation accuracy graph](image)

The results of the training process on the Face Shape dataset show fluctuating loss values at the validation stage, with the highest loss value of 2.816 and the lowest loss value of 0.7738 at the validation stage. Then at the training stage the highest loss value is 1.5732 and the lowest loss value is 0.7738. The lower the loss value, the better the model performance obtained. The loss graph can be seen in Figure 6.

![Training and validation loss graph](image)

**Model Evaluation**

Model evaluation in this study uses a confusion matrix, with the confusion matrix is done to determine the performance of the model in predicting the class of data testing. The testing data used amounted to 1000 data which was divided into 200 data for each face shape class. After testing the model on data testing, a confusion matrix will be obtained. From the confusion matrix, several performance metrics will be obtained.
which can be used to find out how the model performs in predicting the data contained in the data testing. The confusion matrix in this study is shown in Figure 7.

![Confusion Matrix](image)

**Figure 7. Confusion Matrix**

From the confusion matrix shown in Figure 7, several performance metrics will be obtained that can be used to determine the performance of the model created, then the average calculation of the Precision, Recall, and f1-score values will be carried out. The results of the calculations are shown in Figure 8.

![Performance Metrics](image)

**Figure 8. Final Result Performance Metrics**

From the results of evaluating the performance of the image classification of human face shapes using convolutional neural network Xception architecture with transfer learning approach, the results obtained were 85.1% accuracy, 84.8% precision, 85% recall, and 84.6% f1-score.

**CONCLUSION**

Based on the results of research that has been done regarding image classification using Convolutional Neural Network (CNN) Xception architecture with Transfer learning approach. The use of the CNN algorithm with transfer learning approach using Xception architecture to classify human facial images has resulted in significant outcomes. In this research, 80% of the total dataset was used as training data to train the model, while the remaining 20% served as testing data to evaluate the performance of the trained model. The findings of this study demonstrate an improvement in the model’s performance in classifying human
facial shapes. By employing the CNN transfer learning method with Xception architecture, the highest accuracy achieved was 85.1%.

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