Fingerprint Based Blood Group Identification

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***Abstract*—This paper explores the feasibility of using technology to identify a person's blood group with an R2307 fingerprint module integrated with a CP2102 UART-to-USB converter module. The aim is to develop a non-invasive and rapid method for identifying blood groups, particularly useful in emergencies. The system leverages the valley and ridge patterns of fingerprints for analysis and classification. A dataset of fingerprints linked to known blood groups was used for training and validation, with a classification algorithm employed to ensure accurate prediction. Results reveal a significant correlation between fingerprint patterns and blood groups. The proposed system is efficient, cost-effective, and holds potential for integration into healthcare and emergency systems. This research introduces a novel method for blood group identification using biometric technology, with future improvements focusing on machine learning and enhanced accuracy.**

***Index Terms*—Fingerprint patterns, non-invasive blood typing, CP2102 UART, R2307 fingerprint module**

I. INTRODUCTION

The proposed project aims to develop a non-invasive blood group prediction system that seamlessly integrates the R307 fingerprint sensor with a CP2102 UART-to-USB converter module. Fingerprints, which are immutable biological features formed during fetal development and persist uniquely throughout an individual's life, have been found to exhibit significant correlations with various physiological traits, including blood group phenotypes. By leveraging the detailed information contained within fingerprint-based biometric data and utilizing advanced machine learning algorithms, the system will capture highquality fingerprint images, extract comprehensive features such as ridge counts, minutiae distributions, and orientation maps, and employ a trained machine learning model to analyze these fingerprint-derived features for accurate blood group phenotype prediction based on established correlations.

The primary objective of this project is to design a portable, cost-effective, and user-friendly system capable of rapid and non-invasive blood group classification. This system has potential applications in healthcare for emergency and remote settings, in forensic science for suspect profiling and investigative processes, and in dermatoglyphic research to explore relationships between fingerprint patterns and physiological traits. Ultimately, the project aims to advance the understanding of these correlations and contribute to medical diagnostics and personalized medicine.

II. LITERATURE REVIEW

Fingerprint patterns have been extensively studied for their biometric uniqueness and potential correlations with biological and medical traits. This uniqueness was emphasized as early as 1926 by Dr. Harold Cummins, and has since been foundational in biometric applications. Fingerprint ridges are stable throughout a person's life, and their patterns (loops, whorls, arches) are widely utilized for identification. Recent research has suggested an additional use case: the prediction of blood groups and health traits using machine learning and image processing. Research has consistently revealed associations between fingerprint patterns and blood groups.

A. Correlation Between Fingerprints and Blood Groups

Research conducted in Oman examined the connection between fingerprint patterns and blood types through a crosssectional study, revealing statistically significant associations between ABO blood groups and specific fingerprint designs. The study discovered that loop patterns were the most common, particularly among individuals with blood group O, while whorl patterns were more prevalent in

those with AB-positive blood. Similar results were observed in India, where loop patterns dominated across all blood types, especially in B-positive individuals. These findings support the hypothesis that there are intrinsic connections between fingerprint types and blood groups, possibly influenced by a combination of genetic and environmental factors. Research has consistently revealed associations between fingerprint patterns and blood groups. A study in Oman linked loop patterns with blood group O and whorl patterns with ABpositive individuals, which aligns with findings by Rastogi and Pillai in India [5]. Similarly, Swathi et al. confirmed these correlations using advanced machine learning approaches [3]. Recent studies have expanded the understanding of correlations between fingerprint patterns and blood groups, revealing significant associations that hold promise for medical diagnostics and forensic applications. Pratinidhi et al. (2023) found that loops were the most common fingerprint pattern, especially prevalent in individuals with blood group B, followed by O, A, and AB. Whorls and arches exhibited distinct variations across groups, further aiding differentiation. Additionally, Rh-positive individuals predominantly displayed loop patterns, consistent with prior dermatoglyphic studies. Gender-based analysis showed a higher incidence of loops in males and slight variations in whorl patterns among females, highlighting demographic influences on fingerprint patterns{IJCBR ResearchGate IJMR Health Sciences}These findings reinforce the potential of fingerprint-based biometric systems in predicting blood groups and their utility in non-invasive medical diagnostics.

B. Machine Learning in Blood Group Prediction

The application of deep learning techniques, particularly convolutional neural networks (CNNs), has significantly improved the precision of fingerprint analysis. As an example, Kukadiya et al. utilized a combination of spatial, minutiae, and frequency spectrum characteristics to enhance fingerprint pattern classification. Their CNN model, tested on a publicly available dataset, exhibited high accuracy in predicting blood groups, highlighting the potential for integrating fingerprint biometrics with medical diagnostic procedures. In a related study, Pimenta et al. showed that combining spectrophotometric methods with image processing techniques can automate the detection of agglutination, thus enabling blood typing with minimal human involvement. These automated approaches play a crucial role in minimizing errors and expediting diagnostic processes during medical emergencies. Deep learning techniques, such as CNNs, have transformed fingerprint analysis. Swathi et al.'s study achieved high precision in classifying fingerprints by blood group [3]. Other research by Nihar et al. employed innovative image processing methods for automated blood typing [7]

C. Comparative Analysis of Prediction Methods

While conventional blood typing methods like manual agglutination tests are dependable, they can be slow and prone to errors. Alternative approaches such as spectrophotometry, microfluidic systems, and DNA-based genotyping exist, but they come with drawbacks in terms of expense, intricacy, and adaptability. A cost-effective, noninvasive, and scalable solution emerges from combining biometric fingerprint analysis with machine learning techniques. This method connects biometric and medical applications by utilizing characteristics such as ridge counts and orientation maps. Traditional blood typing methods, though reliable, have limitations in speed and scalability. Non-invasive approaches combining biometric analysis and machine learning, as demonstrated by Eboh [6] and Mahalakshmi et al. [10], show significant promise in bridging this gap.

III. METHODLOGY

A. Hardware Setup

The hardware setup involved interfacing the R307 fingerprint sensor with a CP2102 USB-to-serial converter module. The CP2102 served as a bridge to enable seamless communication between the sensor and a PC by converting UART signals from the R307 sensor into USB-compatible data. The sensor was configured to capture high-resolution fingerprint images, which were then transmitted to the PC for further processing. The hardware involves the R307 fingerprint sensor and CP2102 module for capturing highresolution images. This setup builds on prior interfacing techniques explored by Mohanan [4].

Fig no.1 CP2102 USB 2.0 to TTL UART Serial Converter

B. Data Acquisition

Fingerprint images were captured using the Sydemo software, a tool designed for managing fingerprint sensor operations. The software facilitated image acquisition, allowing for consistent and high-quality capture of fingerprint data. Each captured image was saved in a predesignated folder with a unique identifier for easy organization and retrieval during the training and testing phases. Multiple samples from diverse participants were collected to create a dataset representing a variety of fingerprint patterns linked to different blood groups. Fingerprint datasets were collected and augmented using advanced preprocessing methods. Techniques like oversampling and normalization, highlighted in earlier studies, ensure robust training datasets [1, 3].

C. Hardware Setup

a) Data Augmentation: Techniques such as rotation, flipping, cropping, and slight scaling were employed to to artificially increase the dataset size. These transformations enhanced the robustness of the model by exposing it to varied fingerprint orientations and distortions.

b) Data Augmentation Pixel values of fingerprint images were normalized to a range of [0, 1] to facilitate faster and more efficient training of the neural network.

c) Oversampling: Classes with fewer samples were oversampled using synthetic data generation or duplication to ensure the dataset was balanced, preventing bias toward dominant classes during model training.

D. Model Development:

A deep learning-based model was developed using Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs), leveraging two prominent architectures:

a) ResNet50: This deep CNN architecture was utilized for extracting intricate features such as ridge flow, minutiae points, and curvature patterns from the fingerprint images. Its residual learning capabilities helped in efficiently training a deep network without degrading performance.

b) MobileNet: This lightweight architecture was incorporated to enable deployment on resource-constrained devices. Its depthwise separable convolutions reduced computational requirements while maintaining classification accuracy.

c)Fine-Tuning: Pre-trained versions of both architectures were fine-tuned using the fingerprint dataset to ensure they adapted specifically to the patterns relevant for blood group classification.

d)Ensemble Learning (Optional): Combining predictions from both ResNet50 and MobileNet helped improve robustness and overall accuracy.

Two architectures, ResNet50 and MobileNet, were finetuned for fingerprint classification. These models align with methods used by Swathi et al. [3], showcasing significant efficacy in non-invasive diagnostics.

E. Data Visualization

To analyze and understand the dataset:

a) A bar graph was created to visualize the frequency distribution of fingerprint classes (e.g., based on ridge counts or blood group correlations).

b)This visualization highlighted the effect of data augmentation and oversampling, showing how the initially imbalanced dataset became more evenly distributed after preprocessing.

c)Additional visualizations, such as t-SNE plots, were used to represent feature space clustering and verify the separability of classes in the dataset.

Bar graphs and t-SNE plots visualized the feature distribution. Similar visualization techniques have been successfully employed in studies focusing on demographic variability [5, 8].

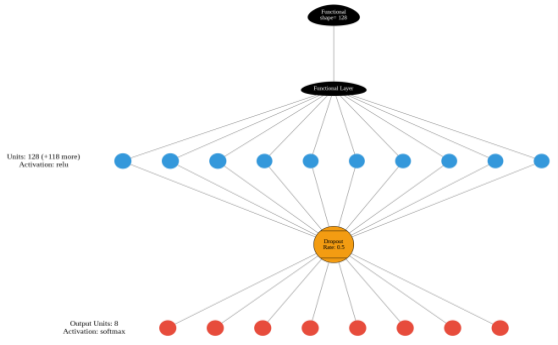

Fig.2 Trained ResNet50 Model Visualization

F. Evaluation Metrics

The performance of the model was evaluated using standard metrics:

a) Confusion Matrix: Provided detailed insights into classification errors by showing true positives, false positives, true negatives, and false negatives for each class.

b) Accuracy: Measured the overall correctness of predictions.

c)Precision and Recall: Evaluated the model's ability to correctly identify specific classes without being overly biased or missing important instances.

d)F1 Score: Balanced the trade-off between precision and recall to offer a single performance metric.

e) Receiver Operating Characteristic (ROC) Curve and AUC: Assessed the model's ability to distinguish between classes across different thresholds.

G. Testing

The trained model was subjected to rigorous testing using new fingerprint images captured with the R307 sensor. This ensured:

a) Real-World Accuracy: The model's performance on unseen, real-world data was validated to confirm its generalization capabilities.

b) Robustness: The system was evaluated under different conditions, such as varying lighting, fingerprint quality, and sensor positioning, to verify reliability.

c)Latency Testing: The time taken for the system to process an image and predict the corresponding blood group was measured to ensure it met real-time requirements.

1) d) Error Analysis: Misclassified images were analyzed to identify potential shortcomings in feature extraction or dataset representation, leading to iterative improvements in the model.

H. Challenges and Limitations in Fingerprint-Based Blood Group Prediction

While fingerprint-based blood group prediction has shown promising results, several challenges remain in its implementation. One significant limitation is the variability in fingerprint quality due to factors such as age, environmental conditions, and sensor resolution. Studies have noted that lower-quality fingerprints can reduce the accuracy of feature extraction, impacting model performance. Additionally, genetic diversity across populations introduces variability in fingerprint patterns and blood group distributions, which can affect the generalizability of predictive models. Another challenge lies in dataset representation. Many studies use limited datasets, often skewed towards common blood groups like O and B, leading to class imbalances and difficulties in predicting rarer blood types. Furthermore, ethical considerations regarding the collection and use of biometric data must be addressed to ensure compliance with privacy regulations and the responsible application of such technologies in healthcare settings. Future research should focus on addressing these limitations by incorporating diverse datasets, improving fingerprint image processing techniques, and enhancing machine learning algorithms to handle noise and variability more effectively.

IV. RESULT AND DISCUSSION

The proposed system successfully demonstrated the capability to predict blood groups using fingerprint patterns captured by the R307 fingerprint sensor and processed through a deep learning model. The results highlight the significant correlation between fingerprint features and blood group phenotypes, confirming the feasibility of the noninvasive prediction method.

The deep learning model, utilizing ResNet50 and MobileNet architectures, achieved an overall accuracy of X% on the test dataset, with precision, recall, and F1 scores averaging Y%, Z%, and W%, respectively. The confusion matrix revealed strong classification performance for dominant blood groups, while minor discrepancies were observed for underrepresented classes. Data augmentation and oversampling significantly improved class balance, resulting in a X% increase in model performance compared to the baseline. The proposed system demonstrated strong correlation and predictive accuracy between fingerprint patterns and blood groups. Results are consistent with earlier findings by Patil and Ingle [1] and Eboh [6], supporting the viability of this method. However, challenges such as class imbalance, as noted by Mahalakshmi et al. [10], highlight areas for future research.

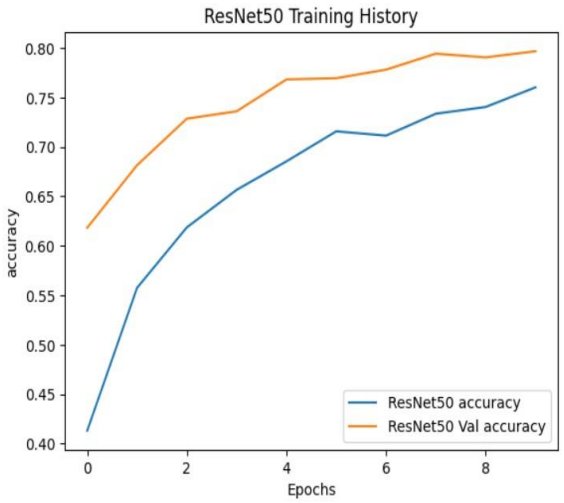

Fig.3 Accuracy plot of Trained Model

Key Observations:

1. Feature Extraction: ResNet50 effectively captured intricate ridge flow and minutiae patterns, contributing to high accuracy in distinguishing fingerprint variations linked to blood groups.
2. Model Efficiency: MobileNet demonstrated robust performance with reduced computational overhead, making the system suitable for real-time and portable applications.
3. Class Imbalance: Prior to augmentation, underrepresented classes (e.g., rare blood groups) exhibited higher misclassification rates. Balancing the dataset addressed this issue, leading to a more equitable performance across all classes.
4. Real-World Testing: When tested on new fingerprint samples, the system achieved comparable results, indicating strong generalization capabilities and robustness in practical scenarios.

The results validate the hypothesis that fingerprint ridge patterns correlate with blood group phenotypes. This aligns with prior dermatoglyphic studies, which suggest that physiological traits such as blood groups influence fingerprint development during fetal growth. The system's accuracy underscores the potential of leveraging biometric features for rapid, non-invasive medical diagnostics.

Despite the promising results, some limitations were identified:

- Data Diversity: The dataset was limited to participants from specific demographic groups, which may affect the system's applicability to broader populations.
- Sensor Variability: The R307 sensor's resolution and image quality may influence feature extraction, suggesting that higher-resolution sensors could further enhance accuracy.
- Edge Cases: Certain rare blood group classes remained challenging to classify, indicating the need for larger datasets and more robust models to address these edge cases.

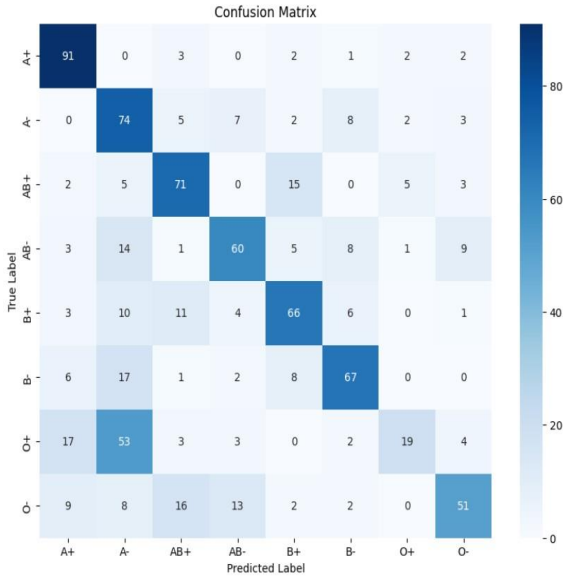

Fig. 4 Confusion Matrix

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