

Implementation of Stroke Risk Stratification using Ultrasonic Echo lucent Carotid Wall Plaque Morphology: By using MATLAB Tool

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Abstract: Stroke hazard stratification visible of grayscale morphology of the ultrasound arterial blood vessel divider has as these days been looked as if it would have a guarantee in arrangement of high hazard versus usually safe plaque or symptomatic versus symptomless plaques. In past examinations, this stratification has been primarily visible of investigation of the furthest mass of the arterial blood vessel vein. thanks to the multifocal plan of hardening of the arteries malady, the plaque development is not restricted to the way divider alone. This paper displays another approach for stroke likelihood appraisal by incorporating analysis of each the shut and much dividers of the arterial blood vessel itinerary utilizing grayscale morphology of the plaque. Further, this paper displays a logical approval framework for stroke hazard appraisal. each these advancements have not been displayed. The philosophy includes of a mechanized division arrangement of the shut divider and much divider locales in grayscale arterial blood vessel B-mode ultrasound checks. Sixteen grayscale surface highlights square measure patterned, and nourished into the machine learning framework. The preparation framework uses the lumen breadth to form ground truth names for the stratification of stroke hazard. The cross-approval strategy is adjusted keeping in mind the tip goal to amass the machine reading testing characterization exactness mistreatment 3 arrangements of parcel conventions: (5, 10, and Jack Knife). The mean order exactness over all of the arrangements of section conventions for the computerized framework within the way and shut dividers is ninety five.08% and 93.47%, on an individual basis. The relating correct nesses for the manual framework square measure ninety four.06% and 92.02%, on an individual basis. The accuracy of import of the mechanized machine learning framework once analyzed against manual hazard analysis framework square measure ninety eight.05% and 97.53% for the way and shut dividers, separately. The mythical creature of the hazard analysis framework for the way and shut dividers is close to one.0 showing high exactness.

Keywords: Coronary Artery IVUS, Carotid IMT, Machine learning PCA, Risk Assessment

I. INTRODUCTION

The real reason for bleakness on the planet is expected to cardiovas-cular illness (CVD).

In 2012 alone, CVDs caused 17.5 million deaths around the world, out of which, 7.4 million passings were expected to coronary blood vessel infection and 6.7 million were because of stroke or cerebrovascular malady [1]. A higher event of CVD in the young and moderately aged populace is seen in the south-east Asia. A higher event of CVD in the young and moderately aged populace is seen in the south-east Asia district. Around 35% of every such demise are between the age gathering of 35– 64 years and are evaluated to occur in India

[2] between the times of 2000 and 2030. CVD incorporates coronary conduit illness and cerebro vascular sickness.

1) These maladies happen because of atherosclerosis – a dynamic and moderate procedure of narrowing the supply route, interfering with the stream of blood from the heart or to the cerebrum. In serious cases, plaque stores inside a vessel of the coronary supply route and later breaks causing myocardial dead tissue Fig. 1a (left). The flow condition of-craftsmanship strategies for screening the seriousness of this illness is: processed tomography (CT), ultrasound (US), and attractive reverberation imaging (MRI). Because of radiation, CT may trade off the patients' security, yet usually utilized on the grounds that it figures a calcium score in the coronary vein. Despite the fact that MRI was before not suited to indicate benefits for delicate tissue portrayal [3,4], yet now has begun to be helpful, yet at the same time does not have the idea of ongoing checking. Then again, IVUS, however obtrusive, gives constant information, is less tedious, and is more affordable [5,6]. However, IVUS is favored over CT, in light of CT radiation hazard, both screening devices do not have the capacity to stratify chance in view of plaque attributes. This paper uses the clever thought of coronary supply route hazard stratification and appraisal utilizing the idea of the hereditary cosmetics of the plaque in the coronary and carotid conduits (Fig. 1a (left, right).

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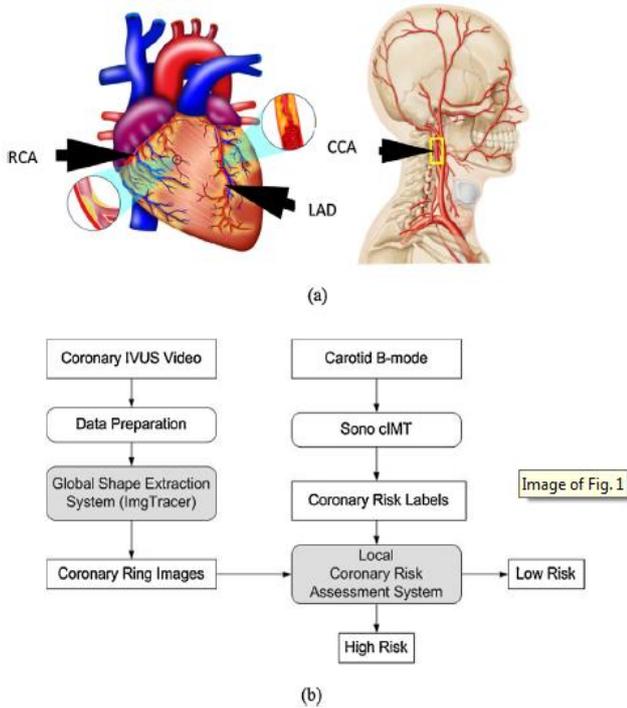


Fig. 1 – (a) (left image): Illustration of blood flow obstruction due to plaque build-up in coronary artery. Show is the two main arteries: right coronary artery (RCA) and left descending artery (LDA). (right image): Illustration of the plaque formation in common carotid artery (CCA), (Courtesy of Athero Point TM, Roseville, CA, USA). (b) Data preparation and genetic link between coronary artery and carotid artery.

Perfusion weight from the constrained carotid vein or because of a break plaque that impedes a downstream vein in the cerebrum. This stenosis of the carotid hallways as outlined in Fig. 1 is most by and large caused by atherosclerosis [6]. Atherosclerosis is caused in light of the gathering of oily stores known as plaque along the most profound layer of the supply courses (causing stenosis), the place blood normally streams.

II. OUR FIRST SPECULATION

Honda et al. [7] and de Graaf et al. [8] as of late brought up the requirement for patients' danger of seriousness before interventional methodology. This seriousness chance was connected to plaque morphology. A few creators have recommended that plaque in the coronary supply route comprises of a few parts, for example, stringy, fibrolipidic, calcified and calcified-necrotic, utilizing modalities like CT, OCT, IVUS and elastography [9– 15]. We along these lines estimate that conduit. Show is the two fundamental corridors: right coronary vein (RCA) and left slipping supply route (LDA). (right picture): Illustration of the plaque arrangement in like manner carotid corridor (CCA), (Courtesy of Athero Point TM, Roseville, CA, USA). (b) Data arrangement and hereditary connection between coronary course and carotid supply route diverse parts offer distinctive hazard factors and when joined overall utilizing the grayscale divider locale picture can be utilized for tissue portrayal. We would thus be able to lever-age to think about the morphological qualities of these injuries and adjust a machine learning worldview to anticipate the danger of seriousness of CAD prompting myocardial dead tissue. This paper investigates the novel idea

of morphological attributes using the coronary vessel divider locale that has these plaque parts.

2.1. Our Second Speculation

It has been as of late appeared by numerous scientists that there exists a connection between plaque troubles in the carotid and coronary veins. Here we will talk about a portion of the key examinations which relate cIMT with hazard stratification in cardiovascular occasions. It has likewise been a biomarker for cere-brovascular occasions (CVEs) [16– 19]. The connections between coronary corridor malady, cIMT and myocardial dead tissue have been shown in past investigations. Ziembicka et al. [20] demonstrated that there is a 94% possibility of having coronary supply route ailment when $cIMT > 1.15$ mm. Ogata et al. [21] demonstrated that most extreme cIMT was exceptionally associated to left principle coronary corridor infection. As of late, Elias-Smale et al. [22] demonstrated that $cIMT > 1.26$ mm can prompt myocardial localized necrosis. Kao et al. [23]

had demonstrated that the $cIMT > 0.80$ mm ($p < 0.01$) prompt auto diovascular occasions. Our foreman by Ikeda et al. [24] appeared that $cIMT > 0.9$ mm had a noteworthy higher SYNTAX score, a hazard pointer for coronary corridor malady. The relationship amongst cIMT and coronary calcium volume has been as of late appeared by Suri's group [25,26]. Another examination by a similar gathering has additionally demonstrated the relationship between's mechanized cIMT that incorporates knob plaque and SYNTAX score was observed to be 0.467 ($p < 0.0001$), contrasted with 0.391 ($p < 0.0001$) between sonogra-pher's cIMT perusing and SYNTAX score [27]. In this way, there is an unmistakable connection amongst cIMT and coronary supply route dis-ease seriousness. In view of the above examination, we theorize that cIMT can be adjusted for building up a connection between the coronary plaque trouble prompting coronary vein sickness or carotid supply route infection prompting stroke. Ahead, we will demonstrate to utilize the cIMT from carotid supply route (as ground truth names) alongside grayscale morphology of coronary course for CAD hazard evaluation.

2.2. Role of Morphology-Based Tissue Portrayal

Ultrasound capacity for continuous tissue portrayal has as of late surfaced for stroke application by Suri's group [28– 32]. This stroke chance evaluation instrument (AtheroRiskTM, AtheroPointTM, Roseville, CA, USA) was adjusted for the danger of helplessness to plaque crack. The AtheroRiskTM instrument adjusted a machine learning worldview, which comprised of a disconnected (preparing stage) and web based (testing-stage) frameworks. The morphology-based tissue portrayal was performed either on the grayscale cut-segment pictures speaking to the plaque or the intima-media thickness divider district speaking to the aggregate plaque territory. The preparation stage requires the ground truth and this comprised of parallel mark, for example, either asymp-tomatic or symptomatic or a paired name which can be gotten from the cIMT data estimated by the sonographer.

The preparation stage utilized grayscale highlights and the ground truth marks to yield the disconnected preparing coefficients which were then used to change the online grayscale highlights test set to anticipate the new hazard names. Such learning techniques adjust a best quality level whose from the earlier data was referred to, for example, which plaques were at high hazard or generally safe. A comparable idea of portrayal of plaque for characterization of plaques into symptomatic and asymptomatic was produced by Suri's group (under the class of Atheromatic™ frameworks (AtheroPoint™, Roseville, CA, USA). This soul is being stretched out to coronary course malady application in this examination for tissue portrayal of the coronary supply route divider district.

Our framework utilizes coronary grayscale morphology for chance expectation of CAD seriousness utilizing a machine learning worldview. Since the quantities of grayscale coronary morphologic highlights are huge, we utilize predominant element determination utilizing central part examination (PCA) utilizing surveying based strategy. SVM is adjusted for preparing and testing the machine learning algo-rithm. The stroke biomarker cIMT is adjusted as ground truth for preparing the machine learning framework which is then utilized for chance forecast of CAD. The cIMT biomarker edge of 0.9 mm is utilized as a hazard name for high/okay CAD. A cross-approval approach is utilized for assessing the productivity of the machine learning framework. Examinations are performed to think about the impact of the information estimate on the order accu-scandalous and the part of PCA-based cutoff for include choice amid chance forecast. The general framework is novel and being utilized out of the blue for hazard expectation in CAD utilizing PCA-based techniques.

2.3. Significance of Close Divider and Tissue Depiction

The examination of ultrasound tissue depiction relies upon the results from B-mode ultrasound [9] with a particular ultimate objective to portray the refinement among high and by and large safe patients in perspective of the estimations of the verifiable features [43]. This methodology is reiterated in the nearby divider, far divider, and united mass of the carotid vein remembering the true objective to choose a widely inclusive technique for danger assessment while meanwhile differentiating the screw up procured from two better places of relationship inside a ultrasound picture. This is of outstanding regard in light of the way that the nearby mass of the carotid hallway is for the most part thought to be of little centrality [14] to danger examination and is thusly the crucial responsibility of this examination. The clarification behind this is the low power contained in ultrasound pictures contrasting with the nearby divider. Nevertheless, as there is comparable likelihood for the change of plaque advancement on this side of the carotid course, this present examination plans to develop a machine learning based stroke chance evaluation system (sRAS) so that, the visual (manual) botch from the low power of the nearby divider does not impact the steady nature of the general results.

2.4. sRAS for Close and Far Dividers using Machine Learning Perspective

The machine learning approach [40] balanced in this examination intends to give a more sweeping response for

the issues in manual danger assessment, especially when the solidified grayscale divider (close and far) of the carotid supply course ultrasound check is contemplated. By first parceling the pined for divider zone in ultrasound checks, expel its grayscale features, close by estimation of LD, we could set up the machine learning system and get the high and for the most part safe coefficients [44]. This information was then given to the structure close by the test assigned divider region and its relating grayscale quantifiable features [45] to envision the carotid infection danger into alright or high risk classes. This methodology was enhanced the circumstance K=5 sections in any case, where the structure would segregate 80% of the patient case assess for learning and 20% for testing. In the testing stage, when the commitment of high or by and large safe isn't given to the structure and using the information it had picked up from the 80% of the data close by the separated grayscale genuine features from remaining 20%, we can predict a decision of high or alright carotid plaque. Correspondingly, this was enhanced the circumstance K=10 (where 90% of the data was used for learning and 10% for testing) and K=N (Jack Knife or JK) (where 99% of the data was used for learning and 1% for testing). Remembering the ultimate objective to choose the goof in the machine learning system, the results from the testing stage were differentiated and manual results, which were taken as the ground truth for danger assessment. Since the manual results of the nearby divider danger examination are likely going to have more conspicuous bumble with the machine learning structure (due to the low power nature of the ultrasound pictures from the nearby divider), the accuracy of the system will be fundamentally surveyed against the manual peril assessment in the far divider order.

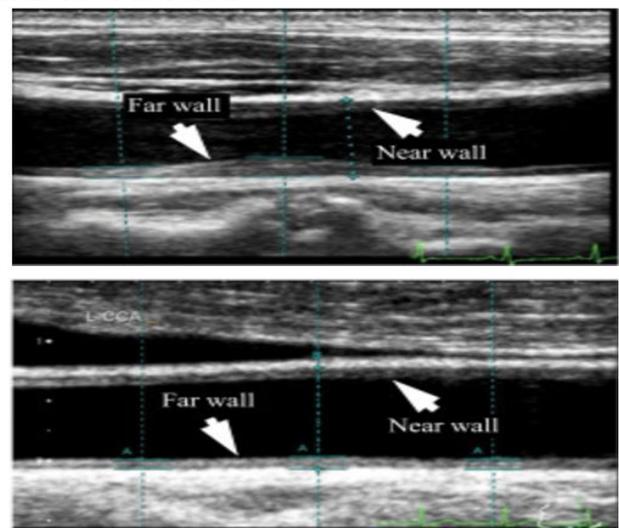


Fig 2. SAMPLE RAW IMAGES of B-Mode Ultrasound Corresponding to High Risk (left) and Low Risk (right) on the Basis of the Lumen Diameter Alone

The target of this examination is to propose a machine learning based stroke chance assessment system (sRAS). The principal progressions in this examination is:



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- (i) building a morphological-based peril assessment system using every one of the three sorts of dividers: far, close and joined far and close;
- (ii) utilizing the LD stenosis as a ground truth for setting up the tissue trademark based structure;
- (iii) introducing of automated affirmation and division of divider regions with danger evaluation structure;
- (iv) endorsing the danger assessment using manual-tool after divider regions and enrolling the precision of authenticity;
- (v) streamlining of best part in the midst of the portrayal perspective;
- (vi) understanding the measure of instructive gathering required for working up a theory versus recognition approach.

III. FRAMEWORK

The urgent thought in stroke danger stratification is to utilize the vitality of grayscale surface features joined with the stenosis reality of the carotid vein. Since plaque improvement is multifocal in nature and never accumulated at one place, it is in this way imperative to consider the hyper-and hypo-echoic dissemination of grayscale separate all over the carotid vein divider. Further, since the plaque improvement has been credited as a confounding disease containing inward factors, for instance, innate, lipid plan, circulatory strain and external components, for instance, dietary conditions, each day physical activities, it is thusly not a settled plaque advancement illustration and grades toward the class of inconsistency lead [29]. Such inconsistency can be considered as muddled in nature which can be shown in a fractal perspective in PC vision. As a rule, we thusly demonstrate the grayscale divider separate as a tissue depiction issue which when joined with the blockage earnestness that can be used for automated ID of high danger and alright patients. Note that the above grayscale features are figured in the divider locale in a manner of speaking. Since the atherosclerotic plaque is accessible in the divider, we in this way require a robotized division tradition which can remove the IMT divider zone for tissue depiction. Here onwards, we will on the other hand use IMT divider region or IMT divider strips or just "divider strips". Subsequently our entire structure contains two important advances:

- (a) robotized divider division for the nearby and far divider which has been balanced from our starting late circulated work [41], and
- (b) risk examination structure for stroke chance stratification in light of tissue depiction in blend with the stenosis earnestness. The essential subsection rapidly discusses the framework balanced for motorized divider division; the accompanying subsection inspects the guideline squares of the sRAS; in conclusion the last subsection demonstrates the component extraction system.

3.1. Wall Segmentation

The objective of the divider division is to normally depict the lumen-intima (LI) and media-adventitia (MA) edges for the nearby and far mass of the carotid supply course. The general structure for divider division is made out of two stages: overall stage to remove the ROI and MA edges for close/far divider, and neighborhood orchestrate extraction of LI edges for close and far divider. In the midst of the overall stage, we change a dependence approach where the goal is to perceive

the adventitia district in light of material investigation of picture recreation, which speculates that this area is brightest. To recognize these far adventitial edges, a higher request subsidiary of a Gaussian channel is convolved with almost same width as the carotid intima-media thickness (say near 16 pixels). Utilizing this as a start point, we utilize clearing technique along every section of the picture district and break down the otherworldly flag to recognize the pinnacles which compares to the MA of the close divider.

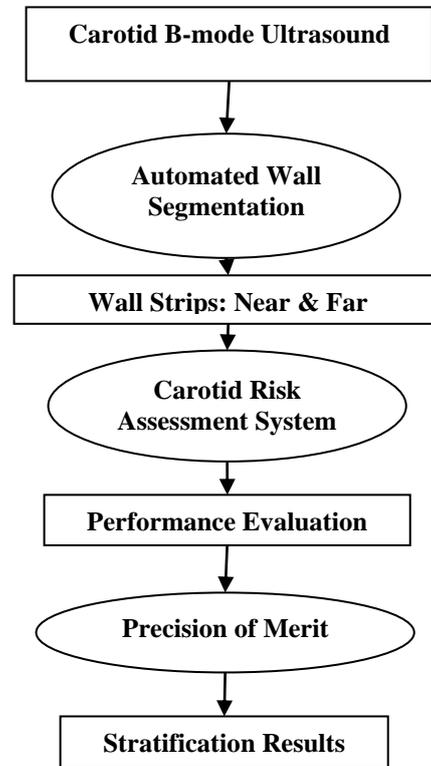


Fig. 3. Global Pipeline Design for Stroke Risk Assessment System (sRAS) and Its Validation.

Hence the MA of close and far divider constitute the ROI of the carotid region. The detachment between the nearby/far MA dividers constitute the IAD (between adventitial division). The area orchestrate contains LI extraction in the ROI region. This is enrolled by first altering the steady class model and focuses the lumen area using pixel-classifier approach. Here, we estimate that blood control in the lumen territory is enduring. Post parallel area of lumen, one can get the edges of the LI for the nearby/far dividers. LD is then evaluated by taking the mean division between the nearby/far dividers of the LI using PDM technique. The piece of divider division is showed up in the general piece graph is showed up in Fig. 2.

3.2. Surface Features

3.2.1. Dull level Co-Occasion Arrange (GLCM)

Using the true instrument, one can use GLCM for evacuating textural information of the ultrasound picture by considering the region pixel relationship [55,56]. Considering the grayscale 2-D picture to be addressed by I having the diminish levels $(0, 1, \dots, Lg-1)$, one can figure the GLCM framework.



M_x of demand L , where, $P_d(i, j)$ th entry of M_x addresses probability of the amount of occasions a pixel with compel I is adjacent a pixel with control j . Isolating each segment of M_x by the total number of co-occasion coordinates in M_x will yield the institutionalized co-occasion arrange. One can process the proximity by taking any predefined bearing, for instance, even, vertical, right, left and corner to corner. Finally, the surface features were figured by taking the ordinary of picked orientation of the cooccurrence framework. We isolated four kind of features showed up

3.2.2. Dim level run Length Lattice (GLRLM)

Run length is characterized as an arrangement of collinear pixels having a similar dark level in a specific heading [57]. Given the reference pixel, one can process GLRLM and this measures the dark force pixel in a specific bearing. GLRLM is a 2-D grid in which component $p(x, y)$ gives the aggregate number of continuous keeps running of length y at dim level x . A sum of 11 highlights were separated utilizing GLRLM. Note that, M speaks to the quantity of dark levels and L speaks to the most extreme run length.

3.3. Arrangement utilizing Support vector machine (SVM)

Support Vector Machine (SVM) is the most fundamental classifier philosophy for separating data centers into different classes. In our circumstance, we utilize a two class issue, for instance, high danger and alright. The objective is to find the best hyper-plane ensuring which stratifies the two classes with greatest edge. This edge portrays the maximal width of the two pieces parallel to the hyper-plane that having no inside data centers. Useful supplement A shows in purposes of intrigue the working of SVM, where various parts are being used, for instance, immediate, polynomial and winding reason limits [60,61].

IV. DISCOURSE

4.1. Our System

In this examination, we show an automated stroke chance evaluation system (sRAS) using morphology-based tissue depiction of plaque improvement in the carotid vein divider. The sRAS is a machine learning structure where, the learning stage incorporates making the learning coefficients, which are surmised using grayscale overwhelming features and a peril check in perspective of stenosis reality of the passageway. Three courses of action of bundle traditions were balanced and online stratification accuracy was evaluated using a cross-endorsement perspective. This arrangement was associated with the three divider writes in the carotid course: close, far, and joined divider. Regardless of the way that the far divider exhibited to have overwhelming execution, the nearby divider in like manner performed well

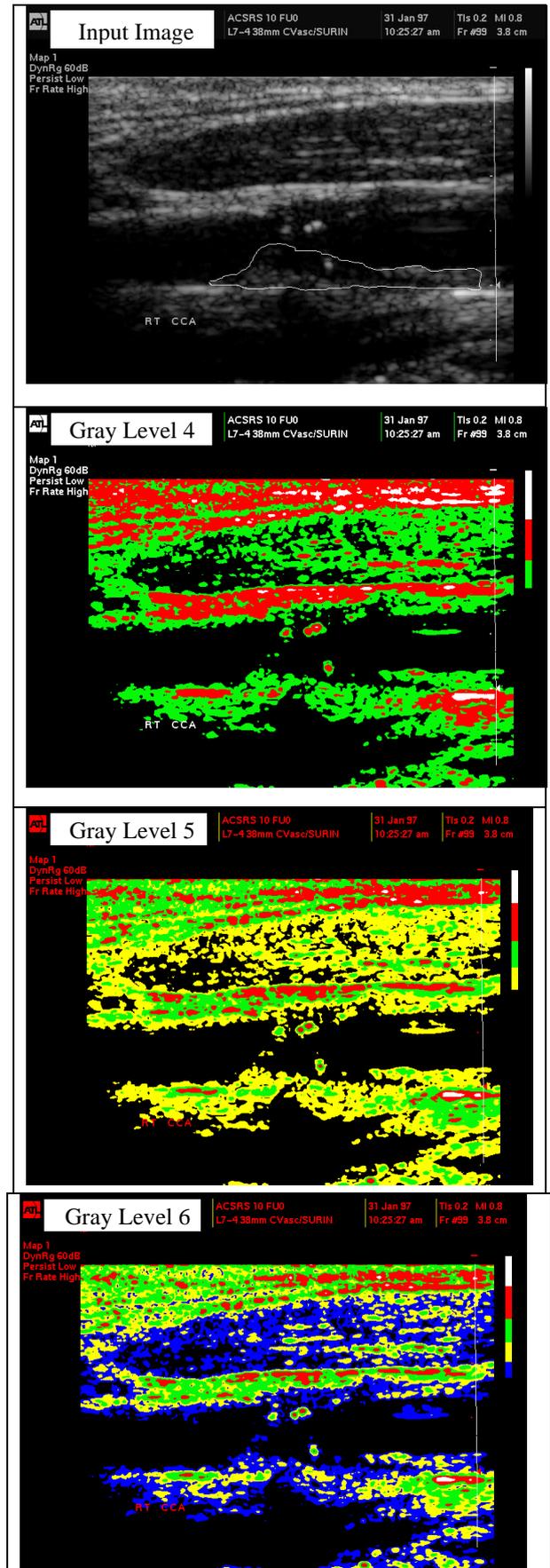


Fig 4. Design of System

Table 1: Area and Time Calculation

Gray Level	Area Calculation	Time Calculation
N=4	21299.75	0.05592
N=5	12994.88	0.06481
N=6	12771.38	0.05832

4.2. Parameters of the Machine Learning System

We mulled over the affectability of bundle traditions for K=5, K=10, and K=JK. Verifiably, with a development in getting ready sets in the midst of machine taking in, the request precision advanced. We similarly propelled the choice of part for the SVM-based classifier in the midst of the planning and testing stages. Of the extensive number of parts, Poly-2 played out the best. We too completely thought about the effect of extending data measure on the course of action exactness, while keeping the amount of winning features steady. Our discernments show that as the data measure extends, the game plan precision moreover increases under all stratification conditions (LD contrasting from 5 mm to 8 mm).

4.3. A note on Divider Division Support

The division of the dividers of the carotid lobby (structure Section 3.1) is one of the key parts that help in extraction of the IMT divider district which gets go for morphological tissue portrayal. Along these lines, it is essential to support the close-by LI/MA and far LI/MA divider edges. We asserted this by experiencing interobserver change [62] by manual tracings which was gotten by the prepared bystander two times, crossed the period of two weeks. Amidst second time, the bystander was not shown the past manual tracings. The manual formats was driven by utilizing ImgTracer™, business programming from Athero Point™, Roseville, CA, USA [3,5,16,45,50,51,63]. Around 15– 25 ties were masterminded at the edge focuses along the carotid vein. The tracer had a capacity to zoom the photograph and about take a gander at the slope changes in the divider region for acknowledgment. At long last, the yield was ImgTracer™ included the course of action of requested focuses - (x, y) headings and oversight was figured between the mechanized LI/MA edges and manual LI/MA edges and asserted.

4.4. Proposed Framework Examination

There was a few plaque parts introduce in the coronary vessel divider district. These plaque parts were speculated to comprise of sinewy, fibro-lipid, calcified and calcified-necrotic which are in charge of the seriousness of coronary supply route illness and plaque movement. The depo-sition of plaque in the coronary vessel divider district is because of a complex obsessive process. These segments contain certain straight and non-direct surface data. In our proposed display, we removed this plaque morphological data of all the plaque parts by processing these highlights in back to back casings. Our model accept that there are inconspicuous changes in plaque morphology due to multifocal sickness [44,45], imaging-setup [6] and heart movement [26,46]. Utilizing these highlights, we adjusted a PCA-based element choice procedure to discover the predominant surface highlights among the separated highlights, which can without much of a stretch characterize these plaque segments. Besides, predominant surface element and pre-built up ground truth in light of the hypothesis were

bolstered to the disconnected preparing classifier to create a machine learning parameter demonstrate. This parameter demonstrate was additionally used as an online test classifier on test pictures to anticipate the hazard seriousness of coronary corridor malady.

4.5. Risk Appraisal and Future Conceivable Outcomes

As of now, there are no strong programming strategies for character-ization of coronary plaque divider by taking the whole video of the coronary corridor. Furthermore, our framework is taking a carotid supply route plaque as help to coronary hazard because of same hereditary make-up. This is the oddity of the framework. Since the plaque in the carotid supply route has a hereditary connect to coronary plaque (introduce in the coronary dividers), it is in this manner intense plan to connect the two plaques for consolidated hazard appraisal. Note that the energy of the framework lies not only alone in plaque portrayal of the coronary course by means of IVUS, yet the joined energy of subclinical atherosclerosis chance biomarker (cIMT) alongside the coronary vein plaque. This is an independent framework and an interventional cardiologist does not have to run while he is in working room (OR). The interventional cardiologist can secure the information and investigate the hazard later before the patient experiences the sidestep medical procedure or shunting method. Such a setup can be adjusted as a secondary indicative gadget or device by which the current visual hazard evaluation be guaranteed. As new strategies develop such combination of OCT and ultrasound (simply like CT and PET), we pre-sume that better hazard evaluation strategies will advance which can consolidate light and sound and better tissue order and plaque portrayal systems will rise.

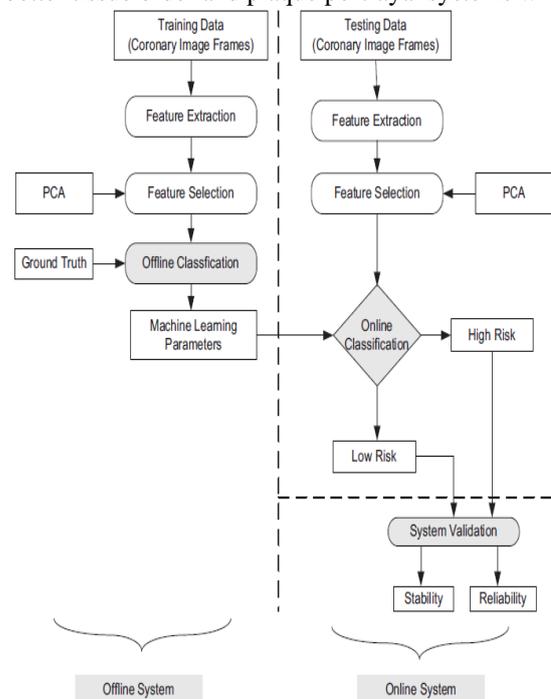


Fig. 5 – Coronary risk assessment system (cRAS) using machine learning paradigm utilizing PCA-based



4.6. Characteristics and Lacks

A sRAS is shown in light of tissue portrayal of the close-by, far, and joined dividers. Our outcomes show that the adjacent divider is nearly fundamental for stroke risk examination veered from the far divider. In like manner, the tissue portrayal structure gave the most stunning cross-underwriting exactness, wandered from past passed on comes about, with each one of the three piece conventions: K5, K10 and JK. These outcomes are steady with the present composed work. The online structure is totally mechanized, where the adjacent and far dividers are along these lines portioned in carotid outputs. In the endorsement of our danger assessment system, a histological approach would have yielded more correct endorsement. In any case, this is especially monotonous and expensive, and thus was not achievable for this examination. Our approach for endorsement is the standard in machine learning, and gave enabling occurs. Regardless of the way that the results are enabling more present day part decision procedure like PCA or FDA can be grasped. Further, intra-and between passerby studies can be coordinated on manual tracings of the LD and checking of the ground truth risks.

V. CONCLUSIONS

We introduced a coronary supply route hazard evaluation framework by taking two key theory: (I) there is a coronary course malady chance related with vessel divider area comprising of various plaque segments, for example, sinewy, fibrolipidic, calcified and calcified-necrotic; (ii) coronary hazard mark is determined utilizing the carotid intima-media thickness biomarker that was utilized as a best quality level for plan and improvement of machine get the hang of ing framework for coronary corridor illness chance appraisal and stratification. The PC helped conclusion framework in view of machine picking up using PCA-based element determination criteria can order the high hazard and okay coronary course illness patients with high exactness achieving near 98.50%. We exhibited that PCA-based element determination utilizing surveying strategy is profoundly appropriate for overwhelming highlights choice. The framework demonstrated a high unwavering quality of 97.32% while meeting the solidness criteria of 5%. The coronary conduit sickness hazard evaluation is mechanized given the vessel divider district of the coronary supply route. The outcomes are promising prompting the model plan for a clinical setup.

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