

AI-Based Smart Tremor Monitoring System for Parkinson's Disease Detection and Management

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Abstract:

Parkinson's disease is a progressive neurologic, motor function-affecting disorder, one of the most common, measurable symptoms of which is tremor. Early detection and continuous monitoring of the severity of tremors is important for decision-making about treatment and for long-term care of patients. This paper presents a tremor analysis framework built using the Long Short-Term Memory network (LSTM) for the prediction of Parkinson's disease severity using data on patient tremors. The proposed system does a preprocessing process of data, sequential pattern learning and severity classification using multiple stages such as healthy, mild, moderate and severe. Long Short-Term Memory (LSTM) networks have been used due to the ability of this type of neural network to detect temporal patterns in tremor patterns more effectively than conventional machine learning techniques. In addition to prediction, the framework has an interactive monitoring dashboard, patient history tracking, and automated report generation. The proposed system can act as a support tool for intelligent screening, evaluation, and continuous monitoring of Parkinson's disease in a health care environment.

Index Terms—Parkinson's disease, tremor analysis, LSTM, deep learning, severity prediction, healthcare monitoring.

I. INTRODUCTION

Parkinson disease or PD is a progressive neurological disorder, which mainly affects motor functioning and is a major cause of poor quality of life among the affected individuals. One of the most common and clinically significant indicators in terms of diagnosis and monitoring is tremor, one of the greatest symptoms of it. The classical methods of measuring Parkinsonian tremor are usually based on clinical examination and rating scales, which could be subjective and might not be able to represent the changes in tremors as people engage in daily tasks. Thus, the necessity to create smart and automated solutions to sustain the ongoing monitoring of tremors and level of severity emerges.

In the recent past, there have been significant developments in wearable sensing

technologies that have allowed objective measurements of tremor signals during free body movements and normal daily activities. Systems based on wearable sensors have been demonstrated to have high potentials in estimating the severity of the Parkinsonian tremor in the real world conditions [1], [2]. Moreover, the methods of monitoring based on smart watches and automated evaluation of tremor have additionally enhanced the viability of non-invasive and continuous measurement of tremor symptoms [3].

Deep learning methods have been used more and more as a means of analysing movement disorders since they are capable of learning intricate temporal and spatial features on biomedical data. The use of convolutional Lister based techniques has also been successful in distinguishing between Parkinsonian tremor and other tremor disorders [4]. On the same note, tremor type and task classification on people with Parkinson has been performed with deep learning models, and promising results have been demonstrated [5]. The development of deep learning and wearable sensors in the diagnosis of Parkinson and its long-term monitoring has also been noted as an emerging feature of review studies [6], [7].

Driven by these advances, this paper suggests an LSTMbased tremor analysis model on Parkinson disease severity prediction. The suggested system will include patient data related to tremors, which will be processed, classified by severity, and will be provided with a visualization platform that will be interactive and allow the management of patient history and the creation of automatic reports. The system will use deep learning and a useful healthcare monitoring interface to facilitate early screening, effective assessment, and ongoing monitoring of the development of the Parkinson disease.

II. RELATED WORK

Parkinson disease (PD) is a progressive neurological condition, which is defined by motor symptoms, including a tremor, rigidity, bradykinesia, and gait loss. Over the past few years, scholars have been trying to investigate wearable sensor technologies and smart methods of computation to enhance the diagnosis, monitoring, and evaluation of the symptoms of Parkinson disease. Of them, tremor analysis wearable sensors have been a boon to attention due to their ability to objectively,

continuously and non-invasively monitor patient movement patterns.

Rovini et al. reviewed the relevant literature, in which they provided an explanation of how wearable sensors could assist in the diagnosis and treatment of Parkinson disease by facilitating the quantification of motor symptoms under both clinical and non-clinical settings [8]. Their analysis showed the increasing utility of wearable technologies in the measurement of patient-specific movement features and pointed out their ability to monitor diseases in the long run. Equally, Perumal and Sankar have illustrated the use of wearable sensors to measure gait and tremor in the context of Parkinsonism by asserting that sensor-based devices can deliver quantifiable and clinically significant data to assess a patient [9]. These research papers outlined the relevance of wearable sensing platforms as a valid substitute to the assessment of the purely observationbased kind.

Hochreiter and Schmidhuber proposed the Long Short-Term Memory (LSTM) network,

which was particularly intended to acquire long-range temporal relationships and address the weaknesses of the classical recurrent neural networks [10]. This work has rendered LSTM very appropriate in healthcare time-series projects such as the tremor and movement disorder detection where the time is a very important parameter.

In the context of further development of wearable systems to monitor Parkinson, Lu et al. discussed the evaluation of wearable sensor devices and discussed their present role, advantages, and future issues related to monitoring Parkinson [11]. Channa et al. introduced a machine learning-based diagnosing framework of resting tremor severity in Parkinson disease in the framework of symptom-specific prediction [12]. In addition to the tremor-only analysis, Moon et al. also examined the differentiation of Parkinson's disease and essential tremor by balance and gait features recorded by wearable inertial motion sensors [13]. Sanchez-Fernandez and others also contributed in this context by giving a wearable sensorbased system of kinetic tremor analysis with fuzzy inference systems to determine the symptoms of Parkinson disease [14].

III. PROPOSED METHODOLOGY

The suggested system will examine the patient data on tremors and forecast the degree of Parkinson disease based on the method of deep learning with the help of Long ShortTerm Memory (LSTM) networks. Because tremor signal is time dependent and sequentially dependent, an LSTM-based model is implemented to achieve optimal learning of time patterns of patient movement. The entire methodology involves information acquisition, pre-processing, sequencing, training a model, severity classification, and plotting the results.

System Overview

The suggested framework is based on the multi-stage pipeline of predicting the severity of Parkinson disease. First, patient data pertaining to tremor are firstly represented to the system in a structured form. The input information is then preprocessed so as to eliminate the discrepancies, normalize the numerical values and to format it to be sequentially analyzed. The data are post-processed to be converted into sequences to be used by the LSTM model. LSTM network is trained to remember temporal characteristics of tremor and categorizes the patient state into either of the preset severity categories, i.e. Healthy, Mild, Moderate and Severe. The estimated output is then presented in the form of an interactive dashboard with patient information, severity trends, graphical changes, and reports generated being made available to observe and analyze. Fig. 1 illustrates the overall architecture of the proposed smart tremor monitoring system.

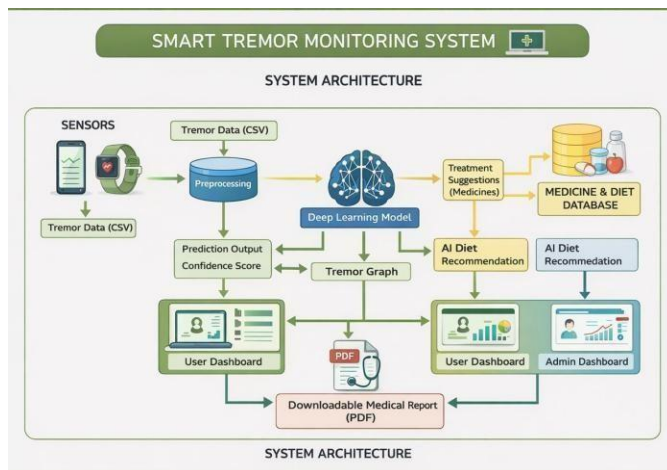


Fig. 1. Overall methodology and system architecture of the proposed smart tremor monitoring system.

A. Data Acquisition

The data on the tremors associated with patients will be collected in the initial step in the proposed methodology. The system will take in digital format patient tremor records, including CSV-structured input of tremor records or sensor-generated tremor records. Such records correspond to the traits of tremors that are linked to Parkinson disease and they are what are used to model the training and prediction.

The input instances are associated with each patient observation that has some values related to tremor recorded at a certain time span. Because Parkinsonian tremor is not constant over the period of time, one should preserve the sequential characteristics of the data instead of regarding each value as a single point. Thus, the data gathered are put in a time-related format and fed to the model of learning.

B. Data Preprocessing

In the proposed framework, preprocessing is an essential stage since raw tremor information can have inconsistencies, missing records, noise, or change in scale, which has adverse implications on the performance of the model. The input data are purified, and standardized in this step then sequence modeling follows.

To maintain data consistency, invalid or missing values are first detected and acted on accordingly. In case of duplicate or irrelevant entries, they are eliminated. The numerical features of tremor are then normalized after cleaning such that all the input variables fall within a similar range. This is done by normalization since deep learning models are better trained when the magnitude of the inputs is consistent.

After the normalization stage, the processed tremor data are put into ordered time sequences. Every sequence is a sequence of tremor behavior windows across time, which, in turn, allows the LSTM model to acquire patterns of movement progression and not single observations. The relevant class labels are as such based on the category of the disease severity adopted in the proposed system.

C. Sequence Modelling with LSTM

The proposed system uses a Long Short-Term Memory (LSTM) network in order to model the time-varying character of tremor signals. LSTM is a form of a recurrent neural network that is specially formulated to learn long-term dependencies of a sequence of data. In contrast to traditional machine learning algorithms, which consider the inputs separately, LSTM has the memory of the past time steps and relies on it to enhance the time-related patterns in prediction.

This renders LSTM very applicable to the application of Parkinson tremors as the movement variation and intensity of a symptom are observed through a series of observations and not at one point. As a part of the suggested scheme, the input tremor sequences are introduced to the LSTM network, which isolates time features linked to the disease severity. The developed internal representations are then sent to fully connected layers to be classified finally.

The application of LSTM in this paper is justified by its capability to:

- 1) learn temporal variations of tremor patterns,
- 2) process sequential biomedical data with ease,
- 3) outperform classification with other, static feature-based methods.

D. Model Architecture

The proposed model has input layer, LSTM layer(s), dense layers, and severity classification. The preprocessed tremor sequences are provided to the input layer. The LSTM layers are used to decompose the information in terms of time, and they produce feature representations that characterize the tumbling action of the patient. They are then represented to dense layers where nonlinear transformation takes place and it enhances decision-making ability. Lastly, the output layer generates the probability of the severity classes that are predefined.

The last category of the classes is chosen according to the maximum likelihood of being projected under the output categories. Accordingly, the model transforms the information of tremor sequences into a disease severity prediction that is understandable.

E. Severity Classification

The primary goal of the given system is to categorize the severity of Parkinson's disease into four groups:

- 1) Healthy
- 2) Mild
- 3) Moderate
- 4) Severe

Once familiar with the patterns of tremors in the training stage, the model will give the most likely severity group to a new patient input. The classification allows the system to act as a complementary screening and monitoring system of the healthcare applications. The fact that the category-wise prediction is also more understandable in practical use is that the output reflects the direct level of the intensity of the symptom of the patient.

F. Prediction Process and Training

At the training stage, the ready tremor sequences and corresponding labels in the form

of classes are fed into the LSTM model. The network is trained by reducing the error in classification by optimization. Within every single training cycle, the model advances its internal parameters to enhance the mapping as per the tremor patterns and the severity classes. After the training process, the model is put in the prediction mode. When using a new patient record, the identical steps of preprocessing and sequence preparation are performed and the final severity prediction is the result of the trained LSTM network. A uniform pipeline will make sure that training data as well as the test data at the time of testing is handled in the same way.

G. Openness and Accountability Module

The proposed structure also has a monitoring interface where results will be presented in a user-friendly format in addition to classification. An interactive dashboard shows the predicted level of severity, patient information, graphical trend of tremor and history of diseases. This module enables the users to understand better the classification output, and it helps them to understand better a patient condition over time.

Patient records and automated report generation are also supported in the framework. These characteristics enhance the usefulness of the practical usefulness of the system as far as they allow recording the results and follow-up comparative ability and ease of healthcare reporting.

IV. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

A. Results of Prediction of Severity.

The suggested LSTM-based model was effectively applied in prediction of the severity of the tremor-based Parkinson disease. The analyzed system processed tremor-related patient input and identified the disease status in four types, that is, Healthy, Mild Parkinson, Moderate Parkinson, and Severe Parkinson. The input tremor magnitudes have been taken as a sequence of length of 100 as an input and reshaped and fed to the trained LSTM model. This indicates that the framework undertakes sequence-based analysis hence it is applicable to Parkinsonian tremor data because the behavior of symptoms does not remain constant but changes over time. As shown in

ranges from 0 to 100, with different color zones representing varying levels of severity.



Fig. 2. Parkinson's disease risk score gauge.

the below Fig.2 risk score gauge provides a visual representation of the Parkinson's disease risk level. The gauge The model gave a final severity class and a percentage of confidence with each patient input. The most probable one among output classes was taken as the confidence and was presented as the result table. This renders the prediction more readable since the system does not simply give a classification, it also gives the degree of confidence regarding the decision. The prediction in the generated sample result indicated that the system was able to predict Mild Parkinson with a confidence of 99.74, which proves that the framework can generate clear and high-certainty classification results in tremor-based analysis. The graph of tremor signal also helps to facilitate the prediction process as it represents the change in the tremor behavior in the observed sequence in a visual manner. This is significant in that tremor is a dynamic symptom and graphical representation of signals assists in the interpretation of the underlying pattern, which is a contributor to the result of classification. Therefore, the signal visualization plus the predicted class and percentage can be evaluated as useful and effective on the first level of assessment of the patient condition.

B. Risk Score and Dashboard Visualization.

In order to enhance interpretability of model output, the predicted stage of disease was transformed into risk score of 0-100 scale (normalized). In this mapping, Healthy was 0, Mild Parkinson's was 33.33, Moderate Parkinson's was 66.67 and Severe Parkinson's was 100. This change simplifies the outcome of the classification, especially in applications that are monitoring oriented where a scaled severity indicator would be more easily comprehended than a categorical name solely. As shown in Fig.3 the confusion matrix is used to evaluate the performance of the deep learning model in classifying Parkinson's disease severity based on tremor signals.

The risk score was represented in a gauge chart, as it was clear visually represented in the severity of the disease. The gauge in the sample output gave a value of 33.3 which is the Mild Parkinson class. The gauge was color-coded to identify the lower and higher severity area, and hence, it improves on the readability and enables instant interpretation of the current condition of the patient.

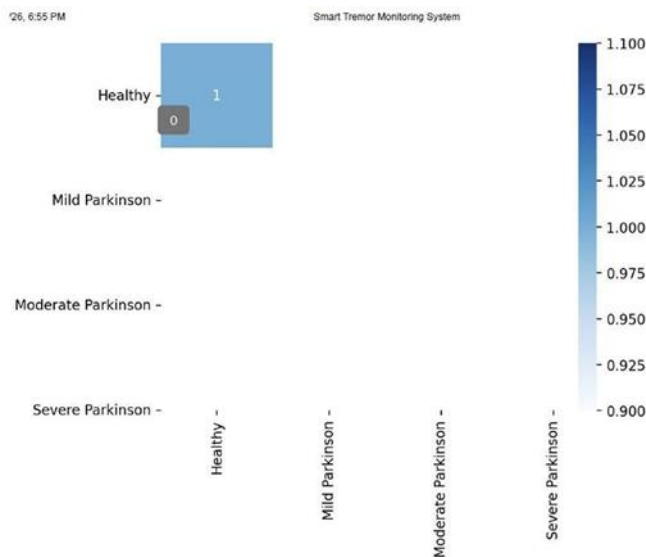


Fig. 3. Confusion matrix of severity classification.

The dashboard was also used as a central monitoring interface to the system. It presented the tremor signal graph, classification prediction result, and the confidence score and patient-related outputs in a tabular way. It is important to note that this interface enhanced the utility of the framework in real-life since the user was able to look at both the analytical outcomes and supporting visual data at one location. Instead of being just a backend classification system, the proposed system was introduced as an interactive decision-support system in monitoring of the Parkinson disease.

The framework had the confusion matrix and ROC curve modules to assist in the interpretation of the results. These components were aimed at giving more insight into classification behavior and model separability. The confusion matrix will be used to give insight into how the predicted labels compare to the actual labels with the four disease severity classes, and the ROC curve will be used to give a graphical illustration of the capability of the classifier to differentiate between disease stages. Though the presented report content does not include a full list of final numerical values, including overall accuracy, precision, recall, F1-score, or AUC values, the fact that these modules are included indicates that the framework allows structured analysis and is not reduced to simple output generation. The Fig.4 shows the Patient Severity Progression module allows doctors and administrators to analyze how a patient's Parkinson's disease severity changes across multiple clinical visits.

C. Analysis Evaluation and Monitoring.

Another strength of the proposed system is that it supports patient monitoring during a certain period. To this end, the four severity scales were coded numerically (between 0 and 3) in such a way that Healthy corresponded to 0, Mild Parkinson to

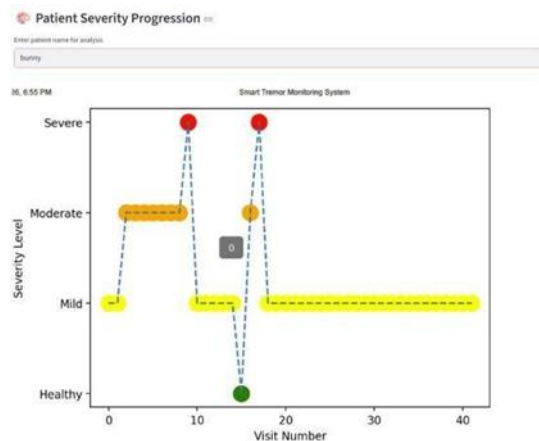


Fig. 4. Smart Tremor Monitoring for Parkinson's Disease

1, Moderate Parkinson to 2, and Severe Parkinson to 3. This numerical form facilitated the system to follow the progression over many repeated visits of patients, and also, to visualize the disease severity with the time variation. It was shown by the patient severity progression graph that the system had the ability to track the changes and the long-term trends, and not just produce a single prediction.

A forecasting module which used linear regression to predict the level of severity in future was also incorporated in the framework using past records of the patients. The framework is more applicable in this follow-up study practice by extending the system to further estimations of the state in the future by means of extrapolation of the current classification. This prediction tool is valuable as the Parkinson disease is progressive, and the possibility to predict the probable severity of the disease in the future could help to act in time and plan how to take care of such patients better.

D. Discussion

The received findings demonstrate that the suggested structure is not simply a classification model, but a coordinated system of monitoring the phenomenon of Parkinson disease. Its advantage is in the fact that it assimilates several useful algorithms into a single pipeline: tremor classification with LSTMs, confidence-aware prediction, normalized risk score, dashboard visualization, progression tracking, forecasting, and monitor with simulations. This combination ensures that the system is more practical and application-oriented compared to an independent deep learning model. Monitoring System for Parkinson's Disease Detection and Management is shown in the Fig.5 so the Severity Trend Forecasting module predicts the possible severity level of Parkinson's disease for a patient's next visit based on historical tremor analysis data. The application of LSTM is quite reasonable as tremor responses are sequential and time-based. The LSTM framework can also learn temporal relationships between tremor patterns, unlike other methods and therefore make it useful in analyzing symptoms of Parkinson disease. The fact that dashboard-based

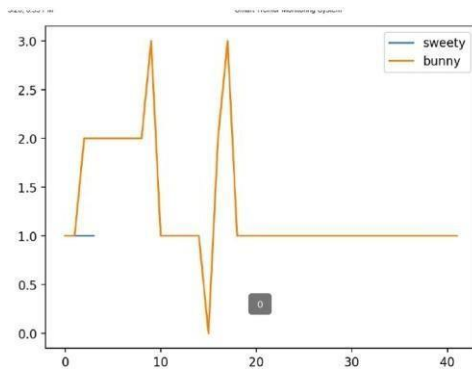


Fig. 5. AI-Based Smart Tremor

visualization and risk interpretation are also added to the framework only enhances the latter by enabling the outputs to be made comprehensible to the end users and not just to technical researchers.

The patient progression graph is also significant contribution since it proves that the system can also work as a longitudinal monitoring tool. This is particularly true in the case of Parkinson, the disease, where a single diagnosis over one visit does not always carry any weight as compared to repeated observation over a series of visits. Otherwise, the incorporation of the forecasting module will widen the perspectives of the framework by adding the aspect of making predictions instead of merely classifying the present state.

In general, the elaborated framework has shown that tremorbased prediction of the severity of the Parkinson disease can be successfully incorporated into a visualization, monitoring, and forecasting within one smart platform. The findings assist in confirming the practical applicability of the suggested system in the process of supportive disease assessment and monitoring patients around the clock.

V. CONCLUSION

In this paper, an LSTM-based smart tremor monitoring system has been introduced to predict the severity of a patient with Parkinson and monitor their well-being. The suggested system was examining tremor-related information, categorizing patient condition into four levels of severity, and giving supporting outputs in terms of risk visualization, dashboard monitoring, progression tracking, and forecasting. The findings demonstrated the framework to be a working and smart device of tremor-based Parkinson's disease assessment. Integrating the idea of deep learning with the help of monitoring and reporting, the system provides an effective method of supportive healthcare analysis and ongoing disease monitoring. The future research can be exemplified by the larger datasets, more quantitative validation, and real-time

connection with wearable sensor to be more reliable across clinical implementation.

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