

Chapter 10

Technological Frontier on Hybrid Deep Learning Paradigm for Global Air Quality Intelligence

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ABSTRACT

This hybrid deep-learning study focuses on pollutant concentration. It illuminates convolutional neural networks (CNN) and long short-term memory in hybrid deep learning methods (LSTM). CNNs are essential to deep learning, especially image processing. They are ideal for pollution concentration analysis because they extract complex data features. LSTM is another important tool for this study. LSTMs are recurrent neural networks (RNNs) that can process and store data sequences. Time-series data analysis, common in pollution concentration research, benefits from them. Understanding deep learning and hybrid learning's impact on pollutant concentration issues. It investigates a hybrid CNN-LSTM model that combines CNN feature extraction with LSTM sequence processing. This fusion lets the model make smart predictions from input data sequences. PCA is key to this investigation. PCA dimensionality reduction finds variables with significant relationships.

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INTRODUCTION

The article in question places its focal point on two fundamental elements: “hybrid deep learning” and “air pollution concentration of particulate matter.” In doing so, it dives into the realm of hybrid deep learning, a domain encompassing various methodologies, including the likes of the Convolutional Neural Network (CNN), Long Short-Term Memory (LSTM), and other related techniques (Abdullah & Sai, 2023). These approaches fall under the overarching umbrella of deep learning, characterized by the amalgamation of advanced neural network architectures and probabilistic methodologies (Abdullahi et al., 2023).

Deep learning, as a pivotal component of hybrid deep learning, has ushered in a new era of artificial intelligence and machine learning (Alsultan et al., 2022). It is renowned for its ability to harness intricate algorithms and model architectures, unravelling latent features embedded within structured data and unstructured data alike (Alsultan et al., 2022). A noteworthy distinction lies in its capacity to alleviate the challenges posed by manual feature engineering, which entails the laborious task of extracting pertinent features from raw data (Alsultan and Awad, 2021). Traditionally, the process of manual feature engineering could be particularly cumbersome when dealing with unstructured data (Anand et al., 2023). However, deep learning has emerged as a beacon of efficiency, significantly reducing the complexities associated with manual feature extraction within the realm of unstructured data (Xiao et al., 2020). This paradigm shift has led to the widespread adoption of deep learning techniques, as they prevent the need for labour-intensive feature extraction, making it particularly advantageous in today’s data-driven landscape (Aryal et al., 2022).

Machine learning (ML) algorithms have long been employed for the extraction of features, but the advent of deep learning has ushered in a transformative era (Awais et al., 2023). By automating feature extraction, deep learning empowers researchers and practitioners to derive meaningful insights from complex, unstructured datasets (Aziz & Sarwar, 2023a). As a result, it has become an indispensable tool for addressing real-world challenges and providing innovative solutions across diverse domains (Aziz & Sarwar, 2023b). The article underscores the pivotal role played by hybrid deep learning, encompassing techniques like CNN and LSTM, in addressing the issue of air pollution concentration, specifically particulate matter (Aziz et al., 2023a). Moreover, it highlights the transformative impact of deep learning by automating feature extraction, which was once a labour-intensive process, thereby enabling the analysis of unstructured data (Aziz et al., 2023b). This shift has not only streamlined the research process but also unlocked the potential for novel solutions to complex problems across various fields (Aziz et al., 2023c).

The primary objective of this article is to address the critical issue of air pollution, specifically focusing on the concentration of particulate matter, through the implementation of hybrid deep learning approaches (Banait et al., 2022). Air pollution is a global concern that poses a significant threat to public health. It is alarming to note that approximately 99% of the world’s population is exposed to air quality that exceeds the limits set by the World Health Organization (WHO) (WHO, 2022). This pervasive air pollution crisis is jeopardizing the well-being of people worldwide. The gravity of the situation is underscored by the fact that over 6,000 cities across 117 countries are actively monitoring and assessing air quality (WHO, 2022). This concerted effort highlights the magnitude of the problem and the urgent need for effective solutions to combat air pollution. The article delves into this pressing issue by examining the measurement of particulate matter (PM), a key indicator of air quality (Bhamre & Banait, 2014). PM refers to tiny solid particles and liquid droplets suspended in the air, which can have detrimental effects on human health when inhaled (Bhuva & Kumar, 2023). These particles vary in size, with PM_{2.5} being

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