

# Review Research of Medical Image Analysis Using Deep Learning



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## ABSTRACT

In modern globe, medical image analysis significantly participates in diagnosis process. In general, it involves five processes, such as medical image classification, medical image detection, medical image segmentation, medical image registration, and medical image localization. Medical imaging uses in diagnosis process for most of the human body organs, such as brain tumor, chest, breast, colonoscopy, retinal, and many other cases relate to medical image analysis using various modalities. Multi-modality images include magnetic resonance imaging, single photon emission computed tomography (CT), positron emission tomography, optical coherence tomography, confocal laser endoscopy, magnetic resonance spectroscopy, CT, X-ray, wireless capsule endoscopy, breast cancer, papanicolaou smear, hyper spectral image, and ultrasound use to diagnose different body organs and cases. Medical image analysis is appropriate environment to interact with automate intelligent system technologies. Among the intelligent systems deep learning (DL) is the modern one to manipulate medical image analysis processes and processing an image into fundamental components to extract meaningful information. The best model to establish its systems is deep convolutional neural network. This study relied on reviewing of some of these studies because of these reasons; improvements of medical imaging increase demand on automate systems of medical image analysis using DL, in most tested cases, accuracy of intelligent methods especially DL methods higher than accuracy of hand-crafted works. Furthermore, manually works need a lot of time compare to systematic diagnosis.

**Index Terms:** Medical Image Analysis, Medical Image Modalities, Deep Learning, Convolutional Neural Network

## 1. INTRODUCTION

In the recent years, medical imaging has become the most and widest techniques to disease diagnose of human organs and anatomic vision of body. It is a broad range in digital image processing known for its effective, easiness, and safety to diagnose and follow-up diseases. Growing of huge multimodality data caused to growing of data analytics especially in medical imaging. The architecture of deep

learning (DL) has depended on the neural network that includes layers to feature extraction and classification in medical image processing and includes many methods for different tasks [1]. DL has evolved in many fields such as computer-aided diagnosis (CAD), radiology, and medical image analysis which can include tasks, such as finding shapes, detecting edges, removing noise, counting objects, and calculating statistics for texture analysis or image quality [2].

In such short period, DL has owned of great role in training artificial agents to replace the complicated human manually scientific works at a reasonable time in various fields related to medical image analysis depend on public and private datasets [3]. The organs of human body vary in terms of complexity; thus some organs are more affected by the

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process of ionization. Hence, it is important to carefully employ medical image modalities with techniques related to medical diagnosing. Furthermore, the accuracy of these modalities is too important at the first step of medical image processing [4]. The accuracy depends on different sensors or medical image devices to take images according to the ray spectrums to the modality types. Many spectrums are used to imaging body modality, some of them have too strong radiation as; gamma, while others have weak radiation to the human body, such; magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) which uses radio frequency (RF) [5]. Deep artificial neural network (Deep ANN) model was innovated in 2009, from the very beginning this branch is developing till now. In the present time, deep neural network types are the strongest machine learning methods to analyze various medical imaging [6]. In general, medical image analysis consists of five processes, such as medical image classification, medical image detection, medical image segmentation, medical image registration, and medical image localization. Furthermore, graphical processing unit (GPU) is imperative hardware part that supports improvement and acceleration of medical imaging analysis processes, such as image segmentation, image registration, and image de-noising, based on various modalities such as X-ray, CT, positron emission tomography (PET), single photon emission computed tomography (SPECT), MRI, functional MRI (fMRI), ultrasound (US), optical imaging, and microscopy images. It enables parallel acceleration medical image processing to work in harmony with DL [7].

DL is rapidly leading to enhance performance in different medical applications [8]. Some important criterions have great role in the development of medical image analysis processes, such as region of interest (ROI) which has great role of early detection and localization, in such processes as predicting the bounding box coordinates of optic disk (OD) to diagnose of glaucoma and diabetic retinopathy diseases using DL methods [9], and colonoscopy diseases such as adenoma detection rate (ADR) using convolutional neural network (CNN) [10]. Within this process, automatic analysis supports with report generation, real-time decision support, such as localization and tracking in cataract surgery using CNN [11]. Large training set is another essential element since DL methods can learn strong image features for volumetric data as 3D images for landmark detection with many good ways to train these datasets [12]. Advancements in machine learning, especially in DL, can learn many medical imaging data features resulting from the processes such as identify, classify, and quantify patterns that aid of hand-crafted processes for medical image modalities using DL methods to automate interpretations [8].

However, medical imaging data includes noise, missing values, and inhomogeneous ROI which cause inaccurate diagnose. ROI provides accurate knowledge that aids clinical decision-making for diagnostics, treatment planning, and accurate feature extraction process cause accurate diagnostic and increases the accuracy [13]. Edge detection is another key process for medical imaging applications that can be used in image segmentation, usually according to homogeneity in the way of two criterions; classification, and detection of all pixels by CNN using filters [14]. CNN method can avail local features and more global contextual features, at the same time; regardless of the different methods adopted in the architecture of CNN [15]. The architecture of CNN capable to change such as used fully connected network FCN instead of CNN method using semantic segmentation to effectively and accurately detect brain tumor in MRI images [16].

Certainly, the advancement of medical image analysis is slower than medical imaging technologies, mostly because of the study of DL for components of medical image analysis and specifically CNN is a big necessity to improve accuracy of methods for components by working on lessens obstacles such as training datasets, and declining error rate.

## 2. MEDICAL IMAGE MODALITIES

The essentials of data types in medical image processing are medical images. There are various cases according to the body places, organs, and different disease that became physiologists to think of different techniques to show significant features related to the medical cases. Most of the techniques that used in medical imaging rely on visible and non-visible radiations except MRI. These techniques use various body organs based on cases. Multi-variability of these modalities is necessary because of some reasons. The most significant reason is effectiveness of some of these techniques to some specific tasks, such as MRI for brain and CT for lung. Another reason is the impact of ionizing radiation to human body according to impacts of ionizing which damages DNA atom and non-ionizing rays which does not have any side effect to human body organs [5].

MRI uses radiofrequency signals with a powerful magnetic field to produce images of the human tissues. MRI is dominant among other modality types because of its safety and rich information [17]. Usually, it is used in neurology and neurosurgery of brain and spinal. It shows human anatomy in all three planes; axial, sagittal, and coronal. It is used for quantitative analysis for most of the neurological diseases as

brain [18]. Furthermore, it is able to detect streaming blood and secret vascular distortions. In spite MRI takes priority over others because of its characteristics which are superior image quality and ionizing radiation [19].

It is beneficial to process of accuracy enhancement, reduce noise, detection speed improvement, segmentation, and classification [17].

MRI of sub-cortical brain structure automatic and accurate segmentation using CNN to extract prior spatial features and train the methods on most of complicated features to improve accuracy which is effective for the processes, such as pre-operative evaluation, surgical planning, radiotherapy treatment planning, and longitudinal monitoring for disease progression [20]. It provides a wealth of imaging biomarkers for cardiovascular disease care and segmentation of cardiac structures [21]. Furthermore, it provides rich information about the human tissue anatomies so as to earn soft-tissue contrast widely. It is considered as a standard technique [17]. It provides detail and enough information about different tissues inside human body with high contrast and spatial resolution subsequently. It engages broadly to anatomical auxiliary examination of the cerebrum tissues [18]. Bidani *et al.* (2019) showed that MRI is important to diagnose dementia disease by scanning brain MRI which indicates by declining memory [22].

Geok *et al.* (2018) used MRI to brain stem and anterior cingulate cortex to classify migraine and none-migraine data using DL methods [23].

Another application of brain MRI is early detection and classification of multi-class Alzheimer's disease [24]. Suchita *et al.* (2013) showed complexity of MRI brain diagnosis which is challengeable because of variance and complexity of tumors [25]. Padrakhti *et al.* (2019) showed brain MRI useful to age prediction, as brain age estimation [26].

During MRI data acquisition group of 2-D MRI images can represent as 3-D because a lot of frame numbers, like in brain. Many different contrast types of MRI images exist, including axial-T2 cases use to edematous regions and axial-T1 cases use to the healthy tissues and T1-GD uses to determine the tumor borders, cerebrospinal fluid (CSF) uses to edematous regions in fluid-attenuated inversion recovery (FLAIR). There are several types of contrast images such as FLAIR, T2-Weighted MRI (T2), T1-Weighted MRI (T1), and T1-GD gadolinium contrast enhancement [17].

Brain MRI is one of the best imaging techniques employed by researchers to detect the brain tumors in the progression phase as a model for both steps of detection and treatment [27]. It is useful to supply information about location, volume, and level of tumor malignancy [28]. Talo *et al.* (2018) showed that traditionally the radiologists selected MRI to find status of brain abnormality. The analysis of this process was time consumer and hard, to solve this problem, utilized computer-based detection aid accurately and speedy of diagnosis process [29].

Magnetic resonance spectroscopy (MRS) is a specific modality for the evaluation of thyroid nodules in differentiation of benign from malignant thyroid tissues [30]. PET is a type of nuclear medicine images, as scintigraphy technique, it is a common and useful medical imaging technique that is used clinically in the field of oncology, cardiology, and neurology [7]. SPECT can supply actual three-dimension anatomical image using gamma ray [7]. Elastography uses to liver fibrosis, tactile imaging, photo-acoustic imaging thermography, such as passive thermography, and active thermography, tomography, conventional tomography, and computer-assisted tomography [31]. Accurate features of CT images for chest diagnosis, such as ground glass opacity to detect COVID-19 pneumonia cases, made it use in training process in improving computer-aided methods as a fast process, also it aids the clinicians especially in the diagnosis of COVID-19 infection cases [32]. Optical coherence tomography (OCT) uses low coherence light to take two and three-dimension micrometer resolution within optical scattering. It is used to early diagnosis of retinal diseases [33]. OCT images show clearly intensity variances, low-contrast regions, speckle noise, and blood vessels. [34]. Furthermore, retinal image is another modality to measure retinal vessel diameter [35]. Sun *et al.* (2017) used another sensor which is portable fundus camera used for huge datasets of retinal image quality classification which is differ from diabetic retinopathy screening systems, using CNN algorithms [36]. Papanicolaou (PAP) smear is another medical image modality used to identify the cancerous variation of uterine cervix using the learning-based method by segmenting separated PAP-smear image cells [37]. Nguyen *et al.* (2018) tested microscopic image as another type of medical image modality that took from 2D-Hela and PAP-smear datasets [38]. Confocal laser endoscopy (CLE) is another medical image modality type that relied on to diagnose and detect brain tumor for its accuracy and effectiveness in carrying out the automatic diagnosis [39]. It is a type of advanced optical fluorescence technology which undergoing application assessments in brain tumor surgery while most of the images distorted and interpreted

as non-diagnostic images [40]. In gastrointestinal diseases, new medical imaging technique innovated which known as wireless capsule endoscopy (WCE) to record WCE frame images to detect abnormal patterns [41]. It uses to diagnose of gastrointestinal diseases through a sensor which is quite small to swallow and capture every scenes of anatomical parts that pass through them [41]. Dermoscopic image is another useful modality and is dermoscopic images that use to skin lesion [42], [43]. Breast cancer (BrC) image is another type of well-known cancers that rely on such medical image modalities as mammography which known as X-ray of breast, US which is called sonogram [44]. Furthermore, histology images use to determine multi-size and discriminative patches to classify BrC [45]. Masood *et al.* (2012) determined fine-needle aspiration (FNA) data as another way to take breast sample [46]. M. hyper-spectral image (HSI) is another new modality use to diagnosis and early detection of oral cancer using CNN before surgery [47]. Dey *et al.* (2018) used it to early detect of oral cancer in habitual smokers [39]. N. Single X-ray projection uses to monitoring and radiotherapy tumor-tracking to analyze tumor motion [48].

### 3. MEDICAL IMAGE ANALYSIS

It is the process of analyzing medical images through medical image analysis techniques. These techniques are composed of five main components named, medical image classification, medical image detection, medical image segmentation, medical image localization, and medical image registration.

#### 3.1. Medical Image Classification

This element of medical image analysis techniques is responsible for classifying labeled image classes based on their features. In this process, the homogeneity and heterogeneity features determine how the classes are categorized. In traditional methods, shape, color, and texture used to be key features for categorizing labeled image classes. Whereas, in modern methods, where DL is essential for labeling images, various algorithms have become fundamental tools for accurate multi-class label classification [49]. Categorization process is a technique that follows extraction process. It runs on selected features [27].

Litjens *et al.* (2017) departed classification process into two phases; either image classification and object or lesion classification. Image classification is the first medical image analysis process that depart the image into some smaller image sizes, but object classification works on the small data that identified earlier [50]. Suchita *et al.* (2013) identified

different objects in the image as the main function of classification technique. Hence, she classified images into two main subdivisions; supervised; and unsupervised [25].

In supervised learning, datasets are the most significant reasons to teach the methods and increase accuracy through feature extraction process [22].

Wong *et al.* (2018) showed that MRI brain images are used to diagnose tumors and classify them according to classes as, no tumor, low grade gliomas, and glioblastomas. Those classes can also be subdivided as in gliomas which are classified to I and IV according to the World Health Organization classification [51].

Image quality determines the class of the examined images. Low image quality is considered inappropriate for diagnosis [52].

It is worth mentioning that some researchers use synonyms for classification, such as CADx. Among them, Ker *et al.* (2017) employed different terms to represent various CNN algorithms [53].

Rani (2011) explained data mining can be performed in many ways, all techniques are important in special manners and classification is an analysis technique used to retrieve important and relevant information about data. It can be applied as micro-classifications in mammograms, classification of chest X-rays, and tissue and vessel classification in MRI. When this technique in DL counts on CNN, it can come up with valuable benefits translated as proper working in noisy environments [54].

Suzuki (2017) compared between Massive Training Artificial Neural Network (MTANN) and CNN models. They are used to classifying lung nodules and non-nodules. Each has advantages that distinguish it from the other. For instance, in classification of lesions and non-lesions in CAD, MTANN scored a better result of decreasing False Positives. On the other hand, CNN is able to score higher accuracy level within areas under the ROC curve (areas under curve). For example, if MTANN manages to score 0.882 for lung nodules under ROI, then CNN will score 0.888 for seven tooth types under the same circumstances in computer vision [1].

Yamashita *et al.* (2018) explained that CAD has become a part of routine clinical work for detecting brain, breast, eye, chest, etc. For each organ, this classification process plays special role. For brain, CAD applies fMRI in two stages to detect autism spectrum disorder (ASD). During the first stage, CAD

will identify the bio markers for ASD. While in the second stage, in two subdivision steps, CAD depends on fMRI with accuracy of 70% to identify the anatomical structure.

Certainly, CNN can be used as a magic tool for classification. Another advantage for CNN in this regard is using it for processing target objects separated from medical images. However, it is not deniable that this process requires a large number of training data [55].

Ruvalcaba-Cardenas *et al.* (2018) tested that 2D-CNN 3D-CNN models are well used for small class separation using single-photon avalanche diode sensor in low-light indoor and outdoor daytime conditions as long as using noise removal algorithm with 64 X 64-pixel resolution [56].

The process of identifying labels and lesions types requires a lot of sufficiency work specially to determine early treatment [14]. The whole chain process extracts the features of microscopic image classification [38]. Table 1 illustrates some important reviews of classification process.

### 3.2. Medical Image Detection

Finding abnormal objects are the main goal of medical Image Detection. Usually, detecting the abnormality happens through comparing two cases on the images. Most of the time, this process takes place with the aid of computer-aided detection (CAD). This starts with identifying objects on the images through the application of detector algorithms [16]. To reduce time consumption and reach efficient detection, experts have dedicated time and efforts to find faster and accurate methods. Marginal space learning is one of the significant approaches in which more efficient and faster in function compare to traditional methods [3]. The function of CAD in this process is to de-stress the radiologists who use manual diagnosis by easily selecting the abnormality on the images. From this standpoint, CAD can take different forms based on its function. The forms are, detection regions aid of processing techniques, set of extracted features, and extracted features fed in to classifier [8]. Diagnosing brain tumor through automatic detection may face difficulties that require smart intervention [64].

Actually, MRI is multi used for diagnoses for other diseases. Alkadi *et al.* (2018) used it for prostate cancer diagnosis to provide information on, location, volume, and level of malignancy [28].

The good thing about automated diagnosis for all medical imaging fields is the attempt to increase accuracy and

reduces time consumption [65]. In neurodegenerative diseases, dementia for instance which causes of lessens in memory, language, and lack of wise [22]. That can boost the performance of CNN and improve detection and localization accuracy [41]. For super-pixel image analysis, different structure detection required. This engages image augmentation to aid CNN to extract the features from the original dermoscopy image data [43].

The role of detection lies in identifying abnormal among normal cases. The whole process is called CNN-based CAD system. Ker *et al.* (2017) employed computer aided in collaboration with 2D and 3D-CNN detection for various detection purposes, especially it used for lymph node detection to diagnose infection or tumor [53]. Tajbakhsh *et al.* (2016) shaded the light on detection process which is a complicate process. He divided into two stages, polyp detection, which works on increasing the rate of misdetection by finding perception changing features such as, color, shape, and size of colon features. However, the feature of shape is more affective compare to other features. Moreover, pulmonary embolism (PE) detection, which causes of blocking pulmonary arteries because blood clots that barrier transmit blood from lower extremity source to lung using CT pulmonary angiography (CTPA) which is time consuming, and death rate of PE is 30% but it becomes 2% with right treatment with implementing the deep CNN method [52].

The advantages and disadvantages of each practical technique lie in its outcome balance between accuracy and cost of operation in edge detection. Laplacian of Gaussian edge detector, convolve image by filter of high pass filter to find edge pixels so as to analyze edge pixel places from both sides. Canny edge detector which considers optimal edge detector so as to get the lowest error rate in the detection of real edge point and 2D Gabor filter which its utilization rely on frequency and orientation representations [35]. It is agreed that CAD works on ROI in image analysis. Meaning that, detection gathers the regions of interest in one limited area. This is can be seen in MRI of brain tumor, and it determines earliest signs of abnormality. Altaf *et al.* (2019) used 3D CNN to detect BrC using automated breast US image modality using sliding window technique to extract volume of interests, then using 3D-CNN to determine the possibility of existing tumor [59].

Experts and technology development have been working hard in this field to make medical image analysis more sufficient and fruitful. The attention of experts is not limited to software only, but hardware section is also

**TABLE 1: Mentions the classification methods for different body organs**

Author	Type of application	Method	Modality	Used dataset	Accuracy	Advantage
Mohsen <i>et al.</i> [27]	Brain Classification	Deep Neural Network (DNN)	Brain MRI	66 private MRI	96.97%	DNN more accurate than; KNN, LDA, and SMO
Suchita <i>et al.</i> [25]	Brain Classification	ANN	brain MRI	70 MRI	98.60%	Object identification
Tajbaksh <i>et al.</i> [52]	Colonoscopy Frame Classification	Deep CNN	Colonoscopy frame images	6-colonoscopy videos; 4000 frames from ImageNet	Reduced FP by 10%, 15%, and 20%	Improved CNN method
Ahn <i>et al.</i> [57]	Skin Disease Classification	Convolutional sparse kernel network (CSKN)	X-ray, and dermoscopy images	IRMA, and ISIC 2017	95.30%	supervised CSKN classification higher than others
Ker <i>et al.</i> [53]	Classification	CNN	Multimodality	Partitioned different public dataset	Different	Compared between them
Yuqian <i>et al.</i> [45]	Breast Cancer Classification	CNN	Histology images	Breast Histology dataset	88.89%	image-wise classification
Rani [54]	Classification	ANN	Multilayer heart disease images	heart disease dataset	94%	Shows advantages of CNN
Wu <i>et al.</i> [58]	Face Skin Classification	different CNN algorithms	Clinical facial images	Xiangya-Derm	Best accuracy is 92.9%	Compared between of; ResNet-50, Inception-V3, and DenseNet-121
Suzuki [1]	Classification	MTANN	Lung nodule images	76 malignant and 413 benign	88.20%	accuracy of CNN is higher than MTANN
Altaf <i>et al.</i> [59]	Brain, breast, Diabetic Retinopathy, Chest, Abdomen, and Miscellaneous Classification	KSO, AlexNet, CNN, 3D DenseNet (3D CNN), GANs, and CNN	fMRI, mammogram, retinopathy, CT, and CT liver	Multiple datasets, 1713 of Carolina breast cancer study, MESSIDOR, public; LIDC-IDRI	68.6-85.6%, 94-95%, 90.4, and 7% improved	robust results for neurological function of biomarkers
Yamashita <i>et al.</i> [55]	Binary Classification	2D and 3D CNN	CT/MRI	Mentioned various public datasets	----	Showed importance of training dataset
Khaled <i>et al.</i> [17]	Brain tumor Classification	DL with traditional ML	Brain MRI	Mentioned many datasets	Max accuracy is 100%	----
Muthu <i>et al.</i> [18]	Classification	CNN	Brain MRI in DICOM format	Public datasets	100%	training CNN
Shahin <i>et al.</i> [42]	Skin lesion Classification	Deep NN framework	RGB dermoscopic JPEG image	ISIC 2018	up to 89.9%	Differentiate between seven skin lesion types
Nguyen <i>et al.</i> [38]	Deep learning	Proposed feature concatenation network	Microscopic image	917 images of PAP-smear, and 862 2D-HELA	92.63±1.68%, 92.57±2.46%	----
Kopoulos <i>et al.</i> [43]	Dermoscopy Image super pixel Classification	CNN	RGB dermoscopic JPEG image	ISIC	85.2%	used some beneficial filtering techniques
Murtaza <i>et al.</i> [44]	Breast cancer classification	Deep Neural Network (DNN)	Mammography	55% used public and others private	----	assess BrC classification
Ken <i>et al.</i> [51]	Brain tumor Classification, and cardiac classification	pre-trained CNNs, and VGGNet	Brain MRI, and 2D cardiac CTA	191 testing and 91 training, and 263 testing and 108 training	82%, and 86%	classify according to tumor stages and grades from magnetization
Sun <i>et al.</i> [36]	Retinal fundus image quality feature Classification	hybrid CNN	Retinal fundus image	Kaggle	97.12%	used AlexNet, Google Net, VGG-16, and ResNet-50.
Hosny <i>et al.</i> [60]	Skin lesion Classification	AlexNet transfer learning	Dermoscopic image	Derm; IS and Quest, MED-NODE, ISIC	96.86%, 97.7%, 95.91%	angle rotation with GPU
Bidani <i>et al.</i> [22]	Classification	DCNN	Brain MRI	OASIS	>80%	Indicates importance of dataset
Arevalo <i>et al.</i> [61]	Mammography mass lesion Classification	supervised CNN3	Mammography film images	BCDR-FO3	86%	compared between baseline and learned methods

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**TABLE 1: (Continued)**

Author	Type of application	Method	Modality	Used dataset	Accuracy	Advantage
Daysi <i>et al.</i> [56]	Classification	2D and 3D-CNN	SPAD image	SPAD dataset	95%	3D accuracy higher than 2D
Fauzi <i>et al.</i> [62]	brain Classification	SVM and Radiant Basics function (RBF)	T2 MRI	60 original patients	65%	Linearly combine different groups
Litjens <i>et al.</i> [50]	Classification	CNN	MRI/CT	public	----	Classified according to; Image/Exam, and Object or lesion classification
Talo <i>et al.</i> [29]	Classification	ResNet-34	MRI	5-fold of 613 images	100%	Abnormality brain detection
Geok <i>et al.</i> [23]	Classification	3D-CNN	MRI migraine	198 MR images	85%	Deep learning methods more accurate
Islam and Yanqing [24]	Multi-classification	Google Net	Brain MRI	OASIS	73.75%	Accuracy of Google Net higher than Inception
Rajan <i>et al.</i> [47]	Oral cancer classification	Partitioned CNN	Hyperspectral medical image	500 trained patterns	94.50%	Compared with conventional methods
Sajedi <i>et al.</i> [26]	Age prediction	2D and 3D CNN	Brain MRI	Used many datasets	----	Show age via MRI
Hamad <i>et al.</i> [63]	Classification	hybrid	Colon endoscopy image	Mentioned some datasets	96.70%	----
Dey <i>et al.</i> [39]	Oral cancer recurrence Classification	ANN, SVM, KNN, and PNN	Confocal Laser Endoscopy (CLE)	Oral Squamous Cell Carcinoma (OSCC) DIC and PAP datasets	86%	Any task needs specific method

receiving a good share of care. Every now and then, CAD is witnessing development in one way or another. Every trail to the purposes of reduces the errors and increases the accuracy [66]. Table 2 illustrates some important reviews of detection process.

### 3.3. Medical Image Segmentation

It is the process of analyzing a digital image to partitioning it into multiple regions. The main purpose of segmentation is to shade lights on objects detected on the image [68]. In another definition, medical image segmentation is the process of selecting anatomy body organ outlines accurately [3].

From the given definitions, we realize that segmentation is a complicate process. Therefore, researchers have been working on developing procedures to make it easier [15]. To accelerate different applications of automated segmentation process, pre-operative assessment, surgical planning, radiotherapy treatment planning, and longitudinal monitoring are added to the process [20]. Improvement of medical image segmentation can happen in many manners. To improve the physical support of this process, GPU is the key answer to do so [7]. Segmentation is either semantic or non-semantic. Semantic segmentation links each pixel in an image to a class label, whereas, non-semantic segmentation works on the similar shapes, such as clusters [51].

In segmentation process, the methods are changeable. Yet, the quality of the process will change accordingly. In medical image segmentation, MRI plays significant role in quantity image analysis [16].

Through MRI, the image is cut into many regions sharing similar attributes [6]. Dividing the images into ROI means that the image is divided to sections including objects, adjacent regions, and similar region pixels [13]. Through the application of CNN models, brain tumor tissues will be ready to labeling any small patch around each point. The labeling process will highlight intensity information inserted by multi-channel CNN methods [69].

Certainly, a successful segmentation requires detecting object boundaries. This process is called edge detection. By looking at the name, it indicates that the process involves many other factors that affect the edge shapes including geometrical and optical properties, separation conditions, and noise, in addition use for feature detection and texture analysis [14]. Within all this complicity, CNN will be able to diagnose brain tumor through MRI and automatic segmentation simplifies [64]. Like other medical image analysis techniques, segmentation is also a process of stages. Segmentation is either organ segmentation, or lesion segmentation. The role of organ segmentation is to analyze quantity such

**TABLE 2: Mentions the detection methods for different body organs**

Author	Type of application	Method	Modality	Used dataset	Accuracy	Advantage
Mair <i>et al.</i> [3]	Detection	deep reinforcement learning	CT	---	---	Detected via marginal space learning
Shen <i>et al.</i> [8]	Detection	Deep learning (CNN)	Multi-modality	Mentioned a lot	Varies	Extracted morphological digital information
Ouseph and Shruti [64]	Tumor Detection	CNN	MRI	Private MRI dataset of tumorous patients	89.21%	Reduced operators and errors
Alkadi <i>et al.</i> [28]	Prostate Cancer Detection	Deep convolutional encoder-decoder	T2 MRI	19 patients from public (12 CVB)	89.40%	Used 3D Sliding window
Srivastava <i>et al.</i> [65]	Detection	Deep CNN and transfer learning	Gastrointestinal, and brain MRI	464 high resolution images (WSLs) and OASIS	97.6%, and >80%	Detected dementia disease
Lan <i>et al.</i> [41]	WCE abnormal pattern Detection	Two types of hybrid methods using CNN	WCE	WCE2017	70%	Got better accuracy
Kopoulos <i>et al.</i> [43]	Detection	CNN	RGB dermoscopy image	ISIC	85.2%	Exhibited different filters are necessary to augmentation
Litjens <i>et al.</i> [50]	Detection	Deep learning (CNN)	MRI/CT	Public	---	Detection process involved localization and detection
Yamashita <i>et al.</i> [55]	Pulmonary tuberculosis detection on chest	AlexNet and Google Net in 2D CNN	Radiographs (X-ray)	1007 chest radiographs	99%	Detected chest pulmonary tuberculosis
Ker <i>et al.</i> [53]	Detection	Google Net fine-tuned	CT lymph node	ILSVRC 2013	95%	---
Tajbaksh <i>et al.</i> [52]	Colonic Polyp, and Pulmonary Embolism Detection	AlexNet, and AlexNet	Colonoscopy, and lung CTPA	40 short colonoscopy videos to frames	P<0.05, %25, %50,	Decreased the rate of misdetection by; 4%, 12%, 25%, 10%, 50%
Masood <i>et al.</i> [46]	Breast cancer detection Type I, and Type II	CGPANN	Fine-needle aspiration (FNA)	WDBC database, 200 images for each case	99%, and 99.5%	Used FNA to feature extract
Suzuki [1]	Lymph node detection	MTANN and CNN	CT	---	---	MTANN used to enhance lesion detection
Morariu <i>et al.</i> [35]	Vessels Detection	LoG, C, G filters	Retinopathy image	18 healthy patient image, and 12 retinopathy images	varied	Trade-off between the processes of accuracy and cost
Altaf <i>et al.</i> [59]	Brain, Breast, Eye, Chest, Abdomen, Miscellaneous Detection	Inception-V4 and ResNet, 3D CNN, VGG-16, CNN	MRI, ABUS, OCT, CMR, WGD, and inner ear CT	OASIS, 171 tumors, ImageNet, 8428	99%, >95%, 98.6%, 98%, 98.51%	Used various; methods, datasets, modalities with different accuracies
Summer <i>et al.</i> [66]	Lung nodules, and Polyp Detection	Deep learning (CNN)	X-Ray and CT	MICCAI	---	Automated disease detection and organ and lesion detections
Carneiro <i>et al.</i> [67]	Detection	Deep learning (CNN)	X-ray, CT, MRI, and microscopy	mentioned some public datasets	---	Indicated performance of each technique

as volume and shape segmentation in clinical parameters. While lesion segmentation, combines object detection, organ, and substructure segmentation, and apply them in DL algorithms [50].

The outer look of segmentation is similar to quantitative assessment of medical meaningful pieces. Actually, in some functions segmentation depends on quantitative assessment

for its application within a short period of time [55]. In surgical planning, segmentation is applied on 2D image slices to determine accurate boundary of the lesions to prepare them to the operation [53]. Medical image segmentation is either automatic or semi-automatic. Both work on extracting ROI, but for different body organs such as coronary angiograms, surgical planning, surgery simulations, tumor segmentation, and brain segmentation [70].

It separates and bounds different components of body organs automatically or semi-automatically to different tissue classes, pathologies, organs, and some biological criterions, according to various body organs [69]. In short, segmentation process aims to solve problems appears on regions of body organs such as brain, skin, and so on. For this purpose, medical image uses MRI, and CT to select optimal weights [71]. Another important process for medical imaging applications is edge detection which use in image segmentation usually according to homogeneity in the way of two criterions; classification, and detection of all pixels by CNN using filters [14].

Hamad *et al.* (2018) focused on pathology image segmentation as pre-requisite disease diagnosis to determine features, such as shape, size, and morphological appearances, for cancer of nuclei, glands, and lymphocytes [63]. Dey *et al.* (2018) shaded the lights on the three subdivisions of segmentation naming them, Otsu, to calculate quality of global threshold, Gradient Vector Flow Active Contour Method, to analyze dynamic or 3D image data [39].

Image quality has impact on segmentation process for it has to do with feature extraction, model matching, and object recognition [72]. Rupal *et al.* (2018) determined three soft tissues in normal brain using MRI technique, such as gray matter (GM), white matter, and CSF. He showed both of algorithms and GPU has a big role to speed up this process, with its many methods innovated to enhance the segmentation process [73].

Despite the factors that impact segmentation process, there are other reasons that enhance segmentation such as organs of body, modality image, and algorithm. On the other hand, segmentation faces challenges that hold the process back such as large variability in sensing modality, artifacts which vary from organ to organ, etc. Ngo *et al.* (2017) classified segmentation to active contour models, machine learning models, and hybrid active contour and machine learning models [74]. Table 3 illustrates some important reviews of segmentation process.

### 3.4. Medical Image Localization

Every method has different contour to select the location of the destination shapes from images, Wei *et al.* (2019) studied tumor localization on 3D images of three patients depending on; contour, location of tumor centroid in 3D space, and the angle of tumors to find error of tumor localization at different angles. The results showed that according to tumor motion and projection angles which exhibits that the CNN

based method was more robust and accurate in real-time tumor localization [48].

Lan *et al.* (2019) explored that multiregional combination such as selective search, edge boxes, and abjectness is used to improve object localization that account as essential of the non-rigid and amorphous characteristics to improve object localization [41].

Urban *et al.* (2018) showed ADR aim of colonoscopy and accuracy according of colonoscopies for ADR. Advancements of computer-assisted image analysis especially DL models, such as CNNs which aid of making agent to perform its tasks to improve performance. It exhibits any increasing point of accuracy in manually work, as the result shows that real-time localized polyps and detection polyps higher than hand-crafted work [10].

Muthu *et al.* (2019) verified that appropriate hardware is beneficial of adequately localize brain tumor to achieve high accuracy of detection and classification using CNN [18].

Localization uses in every steps of applications while the radiology systems individually analyze and prepare reports without any human intrusion, especially in MRI and CT modality using CNN, such as CT images of neck, lung, liver, pelvis, and legs [53].

Mitra *et al.* (2018) improved localization process using OD in color retinal fundus images predicting the bounding box coordinates which work same as ROI. Some methods used to renew the frames of ROI as solitary regression predicament of image pixel values to ROI coordinates. CNN can predict bounding boxes depending on intersection of the union. It increases the chance of recovery and strengthens the detection diagnosis accuracy [9].

Oliver *et al.* (2018) proposed localizing multiple landmarks in medical image analysis to easily transfer our framework to new applications. It integrated various localizers, low test application algorithms, low amount of training data algorithms, and interoperability. The pros of this approach is detecting and localizing spatially correlated point landmarks [78].

Localization process usually comes before the detection process. Almost they are integrated together, especially in misdetection which relies on localization process [59].

Zheng *et al.* (2017) divided localization process into two steps, in the first process the abdomen area is selecting, while the

**TABLE 3: Mentions the segmentation methods for different body organs**

Author	Type of application	Method	Modality	Used dataset	Accuracy	Advantage
Mair <i>et al.</i> [3]	Segmentation	CNN	MRI Cardiac	----	----	Selected anatomy body organ accurately
Havaei <i>et al.</i> [15]	Segmentation	CNN	MRI brain	BRATS 2013	----	Accelerated segmentation process
Kushibar <i>et al.</i> [20]	Segmentation	CNN	Sub-cortical brain	Public MICCAI 2012 and IBSR-18	----	Increased segmentation accuracy
Eklund <i>et al.</i> [7]	General Image Segmentation	CNN	Multiple modalities	Big datasets	----	Faster than other methods
Ken <i>et al.</i> [51]	Semantic Segmentation	Deep learning	Brain	43 3D images	----	Exhibited it can track brain tumor
Kumar <i>et al.</i> [16]	Semantic Segmentation	DL and ML	MRI brain	Dataset of 15 cases	96%	Improved detection of MRI brain tumor
Selvikvag <i>et al.</i> [6]	Segmentation	Deep learning (CNN)	MRI	----	----	Quantitatively analyze images
Berahim <i>et al.</i> [13]	Segmentation	Morphological LS, RG-LS	Multimodality	Both	0.03% improved	Segmented primary boundary accurately
Zikic <i>et al.</i> [69]	Segmentation	CNN	Brain tumor	BRATS 2013-2014	83.7±9.4	Enhanced network architecture
Shen <i>et al.</i> [8]	Segmentation	3D CNN	3D brain MRI	Mentioned a lot of datasets	Different accuracies	Used to skull extraction
Mohamed <i>et al.</i> [14]	Segmentation	CNN	----	International datasets	----	Beneficial to edge detections to detect edge boundaries
Ouseph and Shruti [64]	Brain tumor Segmentation	CNN	Brain MRI	Private MRI from cancerous patients	89.21%	Improved segmentation level
Litjens <i>et al.</i> [50]	Cardiac and brain Segmentation	CNN	CT/MRI	Public	----	Useful for substructure from lesion segmentation
Mohsen <i>et al.</i> [27]	Segmentation	Fuzzy c-mean and CNN	Brain MRI	Private dataset of 66 brain MRI	----	Improved progressing process
Yamashita <i>et al.</i> [55]	Uterus malignant tumor Segmentation	CNN	MRI	ISBI	----	Quantitative assessment
Ker <i>et al.</i> [53]	Tumor Segmentation	3D CNN	Brain	22 pre-term, 35 adults	82-87%	Assisted surgical planning
Sajedi <i>et al.</i> [26]	Segmentation	Multiple methods	Brain MRI	OASIS	----	Useful to age prediction
Tajbaksh <i>et al.</i> [52]	Intima-Media Boundary Segmentation	Carotid AlexNet (CIMT)	Cardiac image	121 CTPA datasets with 326 PEs	$P < 0.0001$ segmentation error	Used to intima-media boundary (CIMT) risk stratification
Nourouzi <i>et al.</i> [70]	Knee bone Segmentation	Multi-method	MRI	----	----	Classified segmentation process according to types
Bernal <i>et al.</i> [75]	Segmentation	FCNN	Brain MRI	IBSR18, MICCAI2012, and iSeg2017	Improved accuracy by 1%	Compared between 2D and 3D
Suzuki [1]	Segmentation	DL based method	Lung tissue	Different dataset	82-95%	Neural edge enhancer
Altaf <i>et al.</i> [59]	Brain, breast, eye, chest, abdomen, miscellaneous Segmentation	CompNet (Brain)	Normal MRI image	OASIS	98%	Compared different accuracies
Dey <i>et al.</i> [71]	Segmentation	Metaheuristic; GA, PSO, ACO, ABCO	MRI	----	----	Determined suspicious various regions
Hamad <i>et al.</i> [63]	Segmentation	NN based method	Pathology	Mentioned a lot of datasets	----	Segmentation improved accuracy

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**TABLE 3: (Continued)**

Author	Type of application	Method	Modality	Used dataset	Accuracy	Advantage
Jeylan <i>et al.</i> [76]	Mass Segmentation	Kapur-ScPSO and Otsu-PSO	Mammogram	10 benchmark images	---	It assisted detection process
Padmusini <i>et al.</i> [72]	Binary retinal vascular Segmentation	OCT	Multiple modalities of retinal images	Mentioned a lot of datasets	96%	Segmenting abnormal images
Rajan <i>et al.</i> [47]	Segmentation	Partitioned CNN	Hyper-spectral machine learning	---	94.50%	Showed reasons of segmentation process
Ngo <i>et al.</i> [74]	Segmentation	Deep belief networks	Cardiac MRI	MICCAI and JSRT	10 times faster	Selected endocardium
Dhungel <i>et al.</i> [77]	Mass Segmentation	CRF, CNN, and DBN	Mammogram	DDSM-BCRP for breast	95%	Indicated obstacles of mammogram mass segmentation
Zheng <i>et al.</i> [12]	Pathology kidney Segmentation	MSL	CT	370 CT scans	Mean segmentation error is 2.6	Determined amount of abnormality of chronic kidney disease

second process is detecting and localizing the kidneys places. According to this, the body consists of three parts; above abdomen; head and thorax, abdomen, and legs. Diaphragm separates abdomen and thorax and an optimal slice index maximizing separation between abdomen and legs, second step is kidney which localize same as abdomen detection by axial image to determine the place of kidneys which use surrounding organs to determine the location of kidneys because kidney place is next to liver and spleen but the position of abdomen organs is not fixed, same as abdomen localization [12].

Banerjee *et al.* (2019) designed a framework that consists of CNN methods which implement to enhance the performance of localization, detection, and annotation of surgical tools. The proposed method can learn most of the features [11]. Table 4 illustrates some important reviews of localization process.

### 3.5. Medical Image Registration

Image registration involves determining a spatial transformation or mapping that relates positions in one image to corresponding positions in one or more other images. Image registration is transformation an image to the same digital image form according to the mapping points. Rigid is known as image coordinate transformation and only involves translation and rotation processes. Transformation maps parallel lines fixed with parallel lines is affine for map lines onto maps is projective and map lines on curves is curved or elastic [72].

The purpose of developing medical image modalities is to get higher resolutions and implementing multi-parametric tissue information at proper accuracy and time. It causes increasing the visually of image registration. Nowadays, it is very

common to improve accuracy and speeding up in DL [6]. It involves two forms; mono-modal inside same device or multi-modal inside different devices. In general, it consists of four steps; feature detection, feature matching, transform model estimation, and image resampling and transformation [13]. Registration known as common image analysis task, its form of working is iterative framework. DL can properly increase registration performance and especially using deep regression networks to direct transformation [50]. Ker *et al.* (2017) exhibited that another benefit of medical image registration has indicated in neurosurgery or spinal surgery, to select the place of the mass or destination landmark, and to obtain systematic operation [53].

The most necessity to transmit from source to destination using appropriate method rely on; selecting modality into spatial alignment, and the fusion that is necessary for showing integrated data [72].

Marstal *et al.* created collaborative platform to registration process, as an open source for the medical algorithms which is the continuous registration challenge (CRC) that involves eight common datasets [79].

Ramamoorthy *et al.* (2019) showed that polycystic ovary syndrome is another women disease made from imbalance hormone of follicle stimulating hormone, and monitoring of cysts grow up by registration technique which apply through these steps; first step, is initial registration which inputs pre-processed US images. Second step is similarity measure–implement correlation coefficient on reference and source image. Third step is image transformation which monitors the growth of the cyst at initial stage and periodic checkups. Fourth step is final registration alignment. It

**TABLE 4: Mentions the localization methods for different body organs**

Author	Type of application	Method	Modality	Used dataset	Accuracy	Advantage
Wei <i>et al.</i> [48]	Lung tumor real-time Localization	CNN with MM and MM-FD with PCA	X-ray projection	3D took from three patients	<1 mm	More robust and accurate
Lan <i>et al.</i> [41]	Localization	MRC	WCE	WCE 2017	70.30%	Improved object localization and RPN
Urban <i>et al.</i> [10]	Polyp Localization	CNN	Colonoscopy images	8641 images	96.4%	Improved accuracy of CNN
Muthu <i>et al.</i> [18]	Brain Tumor Localization	CNN	MRI	Private dataset	---	Showed localization is important to detection
Ker <i>et al.</i> [53]	Localization	CNN	Axial CT	4000	99.80%	It decreased error rate after augmentation
Mitra <i>et al.</i> [9]	Distance metric Localization	Various augmenting techniques used to amplify dataset	Color retinal fundus images	MESSIDOR for test set, and Kaggle	98.78, 99.05%	Coordination bounding box as ROI
Oliver <i>et al.</i> [78]	Localization lower limbs, spine, thorax	General framework of CRE topology	X-ray, and CT	2D, 660, 302 public 3D dataset	94.3, and 84.1%	Localized spatially correlated landmarks
Altaf <i>et al.</i> [59]	Brain, breast, eye, chest, abdomen, and miscellaneous tumor Localization	Inception-V4 and ResNet, 3D CNN, fine-tuned VGG-16, CNN	MRI, ABUS, OCT, CMR, WGD, and inner ear CT	OASIS, 171 tumors, ImageNet, and 8428	maximum 99%, >95%, 98.6%, 98%, and 98.51%	Used various; methods, datasets, modalities with different accuracies
Zheng <i>et al.</i> [12]	Abdomen and kidney Localization	Caffe CNN	CT	370 CT scans	Mean segmentation error 1.7 mm	Used local context to localize kidney
Banerjee <i>et al.</i> [11]	Localization	AlexNet, VGGNet, and ResNet-18/50/152	Medical image frame	8 videos from ImageNet dataset	82%	Improved the efficiency of surgical tools
Alkadi <i>et al.</i> [28]	Prostate cancer localization	Mono-modal deep learning	T2 MRI	12CVB	89.40%	Showed its importance of treatment planning

**TABLE 5: Mentions the registration methods for different body organs**

Author	Type of application	Method	Modality	Used dataset	Accuracy	Advantage
Selvikvag <i>et al.</i> [6]	Registration	Deep learning and deep neural network	MRI	---	---	Improved accuracy and speed up
Berahim <i>et al.</i> [13]	Registration	Mutual information (MI)	Multimodality	---	---	Made mapping point to transform images
Litjens <i>et al.</i> [50]	Registration	Deep learning	CT/MRI	Public	---	---
Ker <i>et al.</i> [53]	Registration	LDDMM	MRI brain	OASIS	---	Improved the process in computational time
Padmusini <i>et al.</i> [72]	Registration	RANSAC method	SDOCT retinal images	---	---	Measured the size of geographic lesions
Marstal <i>et al.</i> [79]	Registration	Continuous Registration Challenge (CRC)	Lung CT, and brain MRI	POPI and DIRLAB	---	Appropriately take new datasets
Ramamoorthy <i>et al.</i> [80]	Registration	Image Registration techniques	Ultrasound abdomen scan image	Doppler scan, Pandiyan scan, Devaki scan	93.00%	Monitored PCOS using registration during reproductive cycle
Altaf <i>et al.</i> [59]	Registration	Deep CNN, FCN	Brain MRI, OCT, CT lung, 3D MRI, and MR-TRUS	ABIDE, DIRLAB, CREATIS	1.5% enhanced	Registered 2D and 3D, and speeded up reconstruction
Maier <i>et al.</i> [3]	Deformable registration	Deep learning	---	---	---	Used non-rigid registration, and point-based registration

is either mono-modal image or multi-modal images. Last step is optimization that optimizing the spatial information which is executed by changing affine point optimizer radius

at various appointments that determine by gynecologists in addition to correlation coefficient similarly metrics and affine transformation [80].

In addition, registration process goes through the following steps; first is initial registration which feed them preprocessed images, second is similarity measurement in the way of correlation coefficient of reference and source image, third is image transformation which involve monitoring growth of the cyst monitoring at initial stage and periodic check-ups, fourth is final registration, and fifth is optimization [80]. Table 5 illustrates some important reviews of registration process.

#### 4. DISCUSSION AND CONCLUSION

This study is a review over medical image modalities and most significant types. In this regard, the study focuses on medical image analysis and its components using DL. Medical image modalities clearly show how much the techniques or devices are important for medical image processing tasks, especially for medical image analysis. For a better approach, the study demonstrates the tremendous role of modalities that used in medical image processing by mentioning the most common modalities, such as MRI, SPECT, PET, OCT, CLE, MRS, CT, x-ray, WCE, BrC, PAP smear, HSI, and US. Furthermore, it exhibits how the modalities imperative to extract significant features from medical image values. Some significant diseases are reviewed after being diagnosed using some specific modalities. This is too beneficial to motivate to improve these tasks to implement those automatically using different approaches.

In medical image analysis, both medical image analysis and its components are properly introduced. It enumerates the components which are medical image classification, medical image detection, medical image segmentation, medical image localization, and medical image registration and defining them. For the sake of accurate results, the study reviewed some researches performed on each modality in various cases. Localization of anatomical structures is a prerequisite for many tasks in medical image analysis [81]. Medical image segmentation is defined in many ways according to its understanding. In simple words, image segmentation is the process of partitioning medical images into smaller parts [82].

Medical image detection is the process of localizing and detecting such important desired things inside medical imaging as objects detection, edge detection, and boundary detection [83]. Medical image classification is a process of illuminating different cases according to their similar features and selecting classes for them. It plays an essential role in clinical treatment and teaching tasks [84]. There are more

than 120 types of brain and central nervous system tumors which classified as to less aggressive, such as benign: Grades I and II, aggressive, such as malignant; Grades III and IV, and the skull [73]. Early diagnosis of tumor has significant role of enhancement in increasing treatment possibilities.

The main aim of this survey study is to discuss about processing of medical image analysis and its components such as medical image classification, medical image detection, medical image segmentation, medical image localization, and medical image registration, depended on DL methods. Especially CNN is dominant model for computer vision which involves, such algorithms as; AlexNet, DenseNet, ResNet-18/34/50/152, VGGNet, Google Net, Inception-V3, pre-trained CNN, hybrid CNN, VGG-16, Inception-V4, fine-tuned VGG-16, carotid AlexNet, Inception-V4, 3D CNN, and Caffe CNN. It shows comparison between some different methods that used many public and private datasets for different medical image analysis components with different accuracies. It created table of medical image analysis components that represent many proposed methods and their process advantages. This approaches used for various human body organs with time progressing, which indicates CNN model algorithms preferred and have optimum accuracies compare to other DL methods for medical imaging. Most of the studies depend on using different medical image modalities and different public and private datasets in their types and sizes. The most accurate one among these approaches was brain MRI using CNN which imply these implemented approach that used to brain tumor were preferred. It looks the strong points, such as working on declining error rate and making strong training dataset for CNN because it is supervised learning method of these approaches and what are the weak points and how DL improved in medical image analysis.

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