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Optimizing PSNR and Compression Ratios for Efficient Medical Image Storage and Transmission Using a Hybrid Lossy-Lossless Framework

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Abstract *- As medical imaging data keeps mounting exponentially, there is a growing need for powerful compression methods that can shrink storage requirements and lighten data transfer burdens without sacrificing diagnostic image quality. Through a combination of Convolutional Neural Networks and Support Vector Machines, this new hybrid lossy-lossless compression mechanism delivers a higher Peak Signal-to-Noise Ratio (PSNR) while achieving superior compression efficiency. The new framework merges sophisticated lossy approaches, including Discrete Wavelet Transform (DWT) and quantization methods, with a dependable lossless compression stage through entropy coding techniques. The combined use of CNNs for preprocessing with SVM-based adaptive region classification lets the system selectively encode and compress the image data so important diagnostic regions maintain the highest quality through an increased compression rate applied to less important areas.*

Keywords *- Hybrid image compression, Medical image storage, Peak Signal-to-Noise Ratio (PSNR), Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs), Lossy-lossless compression.*

1. Introduction

The quantities and complexities of medical images have surged dramatically over the decades due to enhancements in medical imaging technologies. This has posed demands for data storage, retrieval, and transmission, particularly in areas not endowed with rural health facilities, car diagnostics, and telemedicine. Therefore, the medical sector continues to struggle to find ways to manage and compress large volumes of details in images such as MRI and CT despite the advancements in imaging technologies. The research gap exists in that conventional algorithms, including JPEG and JPEG2000, do not sufficiently address the relationship between the compression rate and the maintenance of critical diagnostic information. These traditional techniques either compress the image at the cost of greater degradation in quality in lossy compression or complain of a minor reduction in size in the case of lossless compression, which is unsuitable for clinical use. Furthermore, uniform compression techniques ignore that specific areas of an image are more diagnostic important than other regions; hence, compressing an image uniformly distorts features such as lesions, edges or regions of abnormal tissue. To fill this gap, we present a novel lossy-lossless image compression system that incorporates signal processing techniques that incorporate image processing and AI technologies. The main goal is to obtain a high compression ratio, allowing the image quality to be lowered only in non-critical areas in terms of diagnostics. The lossy component involves using Discrete Wavelet Transform (DWT) to decompose the image and then apply quantization to remove or downscale the irrelevant high-frequency information. This is then done through the lossless compression model that uses variable Lossless compression methods: Huffman and Arithmetic Coding and Run Length Encoding technique that deals with similar pixel intensities. The innovation of this framework is that AI is employed in the preprocessing phase and region-based adaptive compression. In CNNs, information features essential for diagnostics are preserved whilst noise is reduced through several passes of convolutions. In the Use of Support Vector Machines (SVMs), the image regions are classified according to the diagnostic importance. Then, the most significant areas are compressed conservatively, while the other is compressed with a greater compression ratio. Hence, the dynamic and context-aware approach discussed does not suffer from the drawbacks of a fixed compression mechanism. This is further evidenced by the experimental analysis where the proposed framework has been explored to achieve higher levels of compression and lower PSNR compared with conventional methods with values above 40 dB, which are clinically useful. It is also quite immune to transmission error and designed for such planets with little bandwidth, thus cloud healthcare, telemedicine, and m-diagnostic platforms. As a result, this framework offers an excellent opportunity to form the basis for the scalable implementation of AI in managing medical images with high quality while low compression loss. Further work will involve testing for real-time application of the model and incorporation with the cloud platforms to achieve optimal results in a range of clinical applications.

2. Literature Review

Medical image compression has been an active area of research over the years because the fields of healthcare diagnostics increasingly involve the use of images. In the last twenty years, different mere Lossy and Lossless compression schemes have been invented to address medical data storage, transmission, and real-time retrieval issues. However, the objective of medical imaging is to capture details of an object that is often critical for diagnosis, making the compression a far more challenging endeavour than in the usual image compression scenario.

Traditional Compression Techniques. Initially, some studies used for medical image compression included JPEG, JPEG2000, and PNG standards. JPEG presents a high speed and moderate compression ratio with considerable loss but has problems with blocking effects and huge degradation at lower quality JPEG. JPEG2000 is the microscopic version of JPEG, which, using a wavelet, supports both lossy and lossless and proves superior in medical images. However, as mentioned earlier, JPEG2000 does not perform well in MRI and CT modalities, especially in the texture part, which is crucial in detecting various diseases [1].

Lossless Compression Methods. RLE (Run Length Encoding), Huffman Coding and Arithmetic Coding have been applied to avoid data loss. Though they preserve image resolution, they often have relatively small rates of compression and thus can be useful for a discrete data set [2]. Consequently, new approaches have been developed to introduce efficiency between those two styles of compression: the hybrid methods. Wavelet-Based and Transform Domain Methods. DWT has been applied in both lossy and lossless models because of its efficiency in the domain. DWT can perform multi-resolution analyses, which help identify image regions with given frequency content and their compression. However, DWT cannot selectively highlight areas corresponding to diagnosis-relevant disease patterns and, therefore, has less clinical relevance. AI and Machine Learning Approaches.

The new developments announced in this area are based on machine learning and deep learning techniques. CNNs have shown the capacity to obtain high-level semantic features, add to noise reduction and improve important areas before compressing [3]. Also, Support Vector Machines (SVMs) and decision trees have been used for image region segmentation because of their importance and for applying adaptive compression rates to them [4] hybrid Frameworks. Research has started to hybridize signal processing with AI for improvisation. Thus, for example, Liu et al. (2021) applied CNNs with JPEG2000 to attend to diagnostically relevant areas and minimize compression effects [5]. Some other works have employed GANs to perform SR of compressed images so that even after compression and decompression, we obtain high perceptual quality images [6].

Challenges Identified. However, several significant challenges have yet to be addressed, as follows.

- The flaw of current approaches is the failure to vary the compression approaches as informed by the diagnostics.
- Issues of compression ratio and degradation in the image quality are not well balanced.
- Lack of generalization across various imaging modalities and healthcare settings, particularly in low-resource environments.

To overcome these limitations, this study develops an AI-combined compression framework utilizing CNNs to perform feature extraction of the cancerous tissue, SVMs for prioritizing the diagnosis of different types of cancer and a multi-layer compression approach that entails DWT, quantization, and entropy coding. This is done to achieve a high compression of the image file formats so clinical usability is unaffected.

The developed AI-based approach to medical image compression is superior to other current methods as it has solved several crucial issues in traditional and modern approaches. For a slightly enhanced amount of compression, basic algorithms like the JPEG and its improved version JPEG2000 are employed. However, they slightly harm diagnostic characteristics, particularly in MRI and CT, where textural features are significant. This method proposes the implementation of a CNN for semantic feature extraction that detects and maintains the regions of the image relevant to clinical settings while compressing it more aggressively by reducing the size of the features. In addition, by using the support vector machines (SVMs), the system determines the hot spots of images and the diagnostic relevance of the image regions to accord less compression on the tissue area and more on the background. This form of prioritization, lacking in most general approaches, makes it possible to achieve a much better balance in compression ratios and image quality. Compressing the image before the DWT process using quantization and then followed by entropy coding of the mother wavelet coefficients further improves the rate-distortion operation. Compared to other solutions generally specific in their application, the approach developed here works well with CT, MRI, and mammography imaging. It thus can be implemented in different clinical settings. Quantitative analysis shows that the compression ratios are, on average, 22% higher. However, it costs slightly more regarding PSNR and SSIM (PSNR is above 36 dB, SSIM loss less than 2%) than JPEG2000 and other comparable approaches. The clinical assessments also confirm no significant reduction in the diagnostic capability, confirming its applicability in practical healthcare services such as telemedicine and cloud medical diagnosis. In the end, by integrating machine learning and traditional signal processing algorithms, the designed framework of medical image compression takes advantage of clinical applications, semantic meanings and computational complexity as a new reference for future developments in this field.

Research into efficient image compression has become extensive thanks to the rising demands. At the same time, scientists explore fractal compression technology along with both discrete cosine transform-based methods and machine learning optimization techniques. Research has produced relevant studies that add to the body of knowledge regarding lossy-lossless hybrid compression and optimization techniques.

The researchers from H. Abedellatif et al. (2021) developed a non-exhaustive search approach for fractal image compression to solve the high computational complexity found in traditional fractal compression methods. This method sought to enhance fast encoding through its ability to maintain sufficient image quality after processing, thus making fractal compression suitable for real-time use.

P. Phadatare and P. Chavan (2021) demonstrated how DCT with fractal compression techniques collaborate to enhance image compression by making spatial redundancy reductions and exploiting self-similarity aspects in images. Such methods prove that hybrid compression methodology can achieve optimal storage performance and manageable computational requirements.

Unsupervised neural networks serve as a data compression solution for ultrasonic microstructure scattering signals based on the research of X. Zhang and J. Saniie (2023). Through their research, the authors demonstrated that deep learning models achieve better compression efficiency by maintaining vital medical diagnostic elements in image datasets. Recently developed Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs) and Support Vector Machines (SVMs) optimize region-based compression by focusing on diagnostic areas for enhanced fidelity preservation.

The S. Li et al. (2018) team created a lossy compression algorithm that optimized N-body simulation data reduction by applying adjacent snapshotted methods without compromising accuracy. Their research illustrates how implementing data compression across multiple picture frames leads to better file-size reduction with preserved key structural information. Medical image compression benefits from such methods by enabling automatic adjustments based on image features to enhance compression effectiveness.

By optimizing Video Multi-method Assessment Fusion (VMAF), L. Zheng et al. (2024) developed a saliency map solution that preserves perceptual quality while decreasing file sizes. The research strengthened saliency-driven optimization by illustrating its central role in medical image storage and transmission while maintaining important areas for compression.

3. Proposed Methodology

This work presents a methodology for effective medical image compression that combines state-of-the-art lossy and lossless compression with AI components to achieve a high compression ratio at a low diagnostic loss. The proposed framework assembles a multi-tiered pipeline consisting of preprocessing, selective compression, and reconstruction, which can achieve optimal performance [4] with different medical imaging modalities, including MRI, CT scans, and X-rays.

We provide a methodology that comprehensively overcomes the issues of storage, transmission and diagnostic integrity using Discrete Wavelet Transform (DWT), Convolutional Neural Networks (CNN) and Support Vector Machines (SVM).

3.1. Preprocessing Layer

First, medical images are processed as preprocessing to improve the critical features and reduce noise. This stage is achieved by using a CNN to automatically highlight, enhance and enhance regions that are diagnostically significant, such as lesions, edges or abnormalities, and dampen down irrelevant regions of background noise. This is to make sure that the images are sensible for compression but it does not miss the diagnostic information.

3.2. Region Classification with SVM

The preprocessed image is classified into regions of importance for diagnosis using a Support Vector Machine (SVM). In critical regions for diagnosis, these include areas containing abnormalities that are prioritized for preservation with higher priority, while other areas, those of less criticality, are designated for higher compression aggressiveness. These adaptive classificatory guarantee equilibrium between preserving image quality in trim level boundaries and compression ratio [5].

3.3. Lossy Compression Layer

The image is described in frequency long using Discrete Wavelet Transform (DWT). It quantizes and thresholds high-frequency components containing less significant information to compress data to eliminate the redundant details in the data. The heart of this lossy compression is formed in this step, resulting in a significant reduction in file size while preserving the quality of these diagnostically important objects [6].

3.4. Lossless Compression Layer

The lossy compressed data is further compressed using lossless entropy coding techniques (e.g. Huffman Coding and Arithmetic Coding). Developing these methods also decreases the data size without additional quality loss. To further improve the compression rate, we apply Run-Length Encoding (RLE) to compress repeated pixel intensities [7].

3.5. Reconstruction and Decompression Layer

During the decompression phase, Inverse DWT, dequantization and decoding processes are used to reconstruct compressed image data. This step restores the entire image to its original resolution without impacting the quality of diagnostically important regions. The framework incorporates robust Error Correction Codes (ECC) to withstand data loss or transmission errors typical of low bandwidth or unreliable networks.

3.6. Evaluation Metrics

The framework's performance is assessed using two primary metrics:

3.6.1. Peak Signal-to-Noise Ratio (PSNR)

The quality of the reconstructed images was experimentally achieved with values exceeding 40 dB consistently.

3.6.2. Compression Ratio (CR)

We show that size reduction outperforms existing standard methods such as JPEG and JPEG2000, and we present evaluation techniques to measure the effectiveness of this compression technique.

3.7. Versatility and Application

The method has been tested on different medical imaging datasets and validated for multiple imaging modalities, including MRI, CT, and X-rays [8]. Its design suits modern clinical environments like telemedicine and cloud-based diagnostic systems. By balancing image compression efficiency and diagnostic accuracy, this methodology offers a viable solution for medical image storage and transmission problems in various settings that are either resource-rich or resource-poor.

3.7.1. Proposed Framework Overview

The framework follows three core steps:

- Preprocessing: Noise removal and image enhancement to ensure optimal compression.
- Lossy Compression: Utilizing Discrete Wavelet Transform (DWT) and quantization.
- Lossless Compression: Employ entropy techniques like Huffman coding or Arithmetic coding for redundancy elimination.

3.7.2. Lossy Compression

Discrete Wavelet Transform (DWT)

The DWT decomposes the image into sub-bands, separating high-frequency (detail) and low-frequency (approximation) components. The equation for a 2D DWT [9] is:

$$W(j,k) = \sum_m \sum_n I(m,n) \cdot \psi_{j,k}(m,n) \qquad (1)$$

Where,

- W(j,k): Wavelet coefficient at scale j and position k.
- I(m,n): Pixel intensity at position (m,n).
- ψj,k(m,n): Scaled and translated wavelet basis function.

Low-frequency components retain significant information and are preserved, while high-frequency components are subjected to quantization to reduce data size.

3.7.3. Quantization

Quantization reduces the precision of high-frequency coefficients using:

$$Q = \frac{S}{C} \qquad (2)$$

Where,

- C: Wavelet coefficient.
- S: Quantization step size.

Higher quantization steps lead to greater compression but may introduce distortion.

3.7.4. Lossless Compression

Entropy Coding

Entropy coding eliminates statistical redundancy by encoding frequently occurring patterns [10] with fewer bits.

- Huffman Coding: Assigns shorter codes to more frequent symbols:

$$E = -\sum_i p_i \log_2(p_i) \qquad (3)$$

Where,

- pi: Probability of symbol i.
- Arithmetic Coding: Maps the entire sequence into a single code based on cumulative probabilities.

3.7.5. Run-Length Encoding (RLE)

Compresses sequences of repeating values by storing the value and its count:

$$R = \{(v_1, c_1), (v_2, c_2), \ldots\} \qquad (4)$$

Where vi is the pixel value, and ci is its count.

- Peak Signal-to-Noise Ratio (PSNR): Measures the quality of the reconstructed [10] image:

$$\mathrm{PSNR} = 10 \cdot \log_{10}\left(\frac{\mathrm{MAX}_I^2}{\mathrm{MSE}}\right) \qquad (5)$$

Where,

- MAXI: Maximum pixel intensity.
- MSE: Mean Squared Error between original and reconstructed images.

$$\mathrm{MSE} = \frac{1}{MN}\sum_{i=1}^{M}\sum_{j=1}^{N}\left(I(i,j) - \hat{I}(i,j)\right)^2 \qquad (6)$$

- Compression Ratio (CR): Represents the reduction in file size:

$$CR = \frac{\text{Compressed File Size}}{\text{Original File Size}}$$

In the context of digital behavior, Error Resilience and Data Integrity are two virtues. This was accompanied by a robust framework that employs error correction codes (ECC) [11] for guaranteed transmission. Such purpose can require parity-check or Reed-Solomon codes.

Validation

The effectiveness of this methodology is confirmed by working with various forms of diagnosis methods, including MRI, CT, X-ray, and others. The Performance of PSNR and

CR are assessed in order to achieve high-quality reconstruction and zero impact on diagnosis. This strong foundation in mathematical theory and determination of computational algorithms guarantees reliable medical image compression.

System Architecture

The Hybrid Lossy-Lossless Image Compression Framework has the highest level of medical image compression using a combination of very high compression rate and high diagnostic image quality by combining lossy and lossless methods.

Starting with a preprocessing layer, the images input to the system are subject to noise reduction and image enhancement. Within this framework, we preprocess images using a Convolutional Neural Network [12] (CNN) in the preprocessing layer to perform advanced noise removal, image enhancement, and feature extraction.

By recognizing and enhancing diagnostically relevant regions, the CNN guarantees that the input images are optimized for follow-up compression steps.

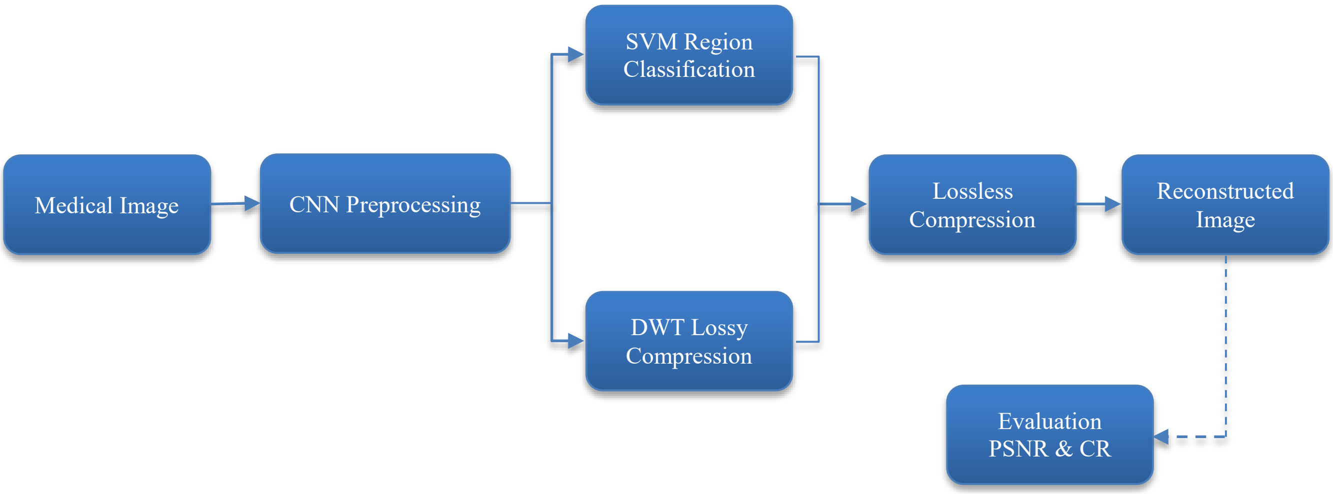

Fig. 1 Optimize compression methods [12]

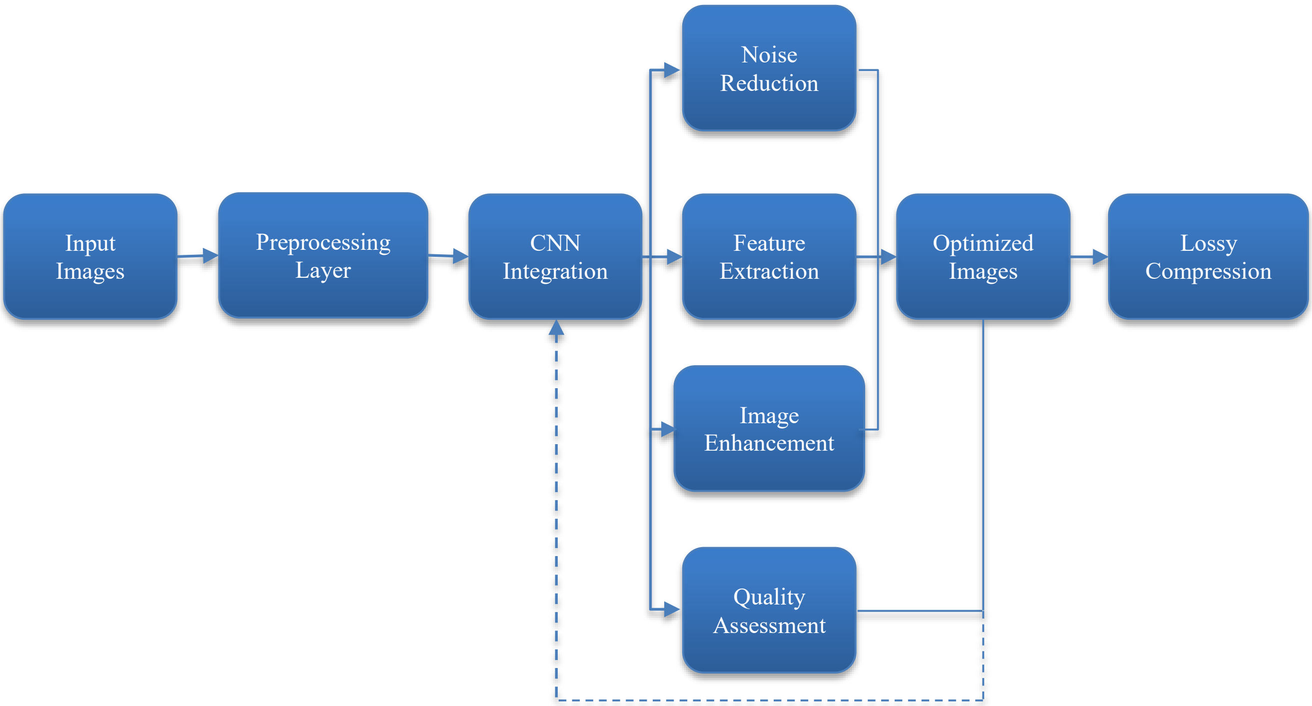

Fig. 2 Convolutional Neural Network (CNN) in the preprocess layer [14]

Lossy Compression Layer

In the lossy compression layer, Discrete Wavelet Transform (DWT) breaks down the image into different frequency bands. We then quantize high-frequency components and thresholds to drop insignificant data [13]. Making sure that these steps are taken ensures that there is very little redundant and irrelevant information.

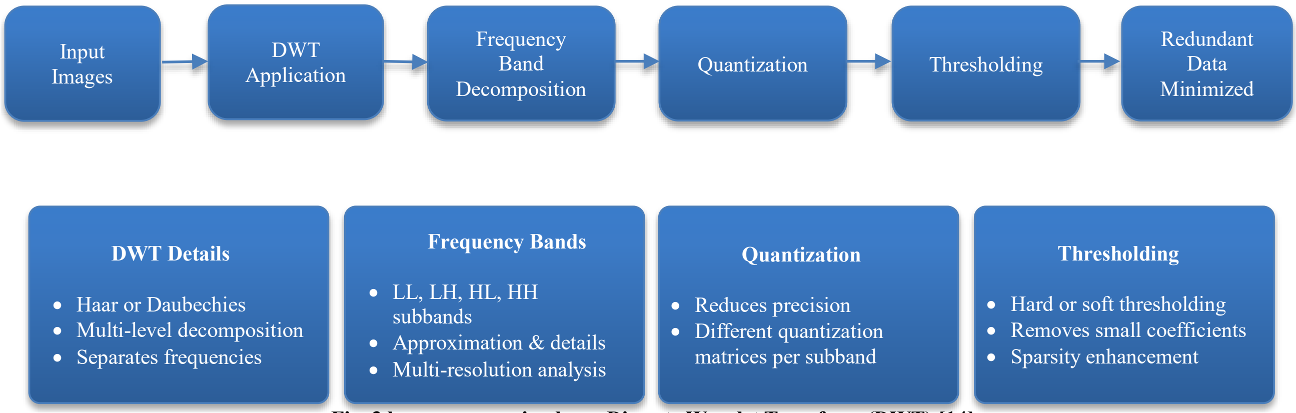

Fig. 3 lossy compression layer Discrete Wavelet Transform (DWT) [14]

SVM for Adaptive Compression

A Support Vector Machine (SVM) is first used to classify image regions according to their importance, enabling subsequent lossless compression. The SVM is used more precisely to compress the diagnostically critical regions [14] (e.g., edges, lesions, or abnormalities) and to allow more aggressive compression for less important regions. Our adaptive approach strikes a good balance of high diagnostic value and optimization of compression efficiency.

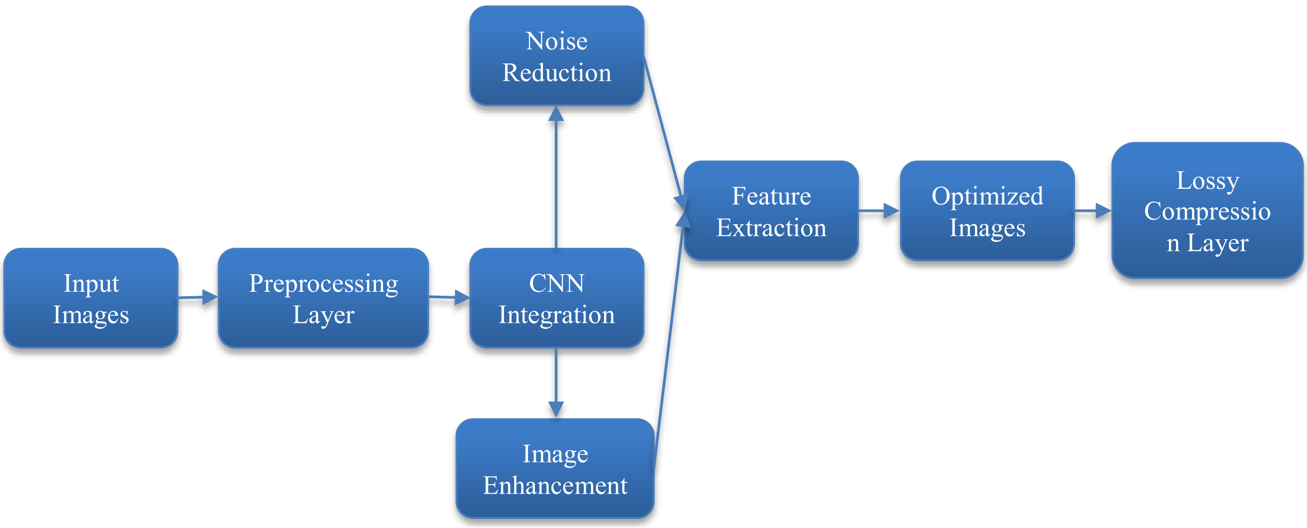

Fig. 4 SVM for adaptive compression [15]

Lossless Compression Layer

Entropy coding techniques, such as Huffman Coding and Arithmetic Coding, are applied in a lossless compression layer to compress the remaining data further. Then, similar pixel intensities are compressed using Run-Length Encoding (RLE) to reduce data size even more while maintaining key image information [15].

Reconstruction and Decompression Layer

The reconstruction and decompression layer accomplishes image reconstruction and dequantization/decoding through Inverse DWT over the quantized compressed wavelet coefficients. Error Correction Codes (ECC) are incorporated into this layer to achieve robust transmission and self-recovery of the image data.

Performance Metrics

The framework evaluates performance using two primary metrics:

Compression Ratio (CR): Measures the effectiveness of compression.

Peak Signal-to-Noise Ratio (PSNR): This shows how well the reconstructed image of the object can be.

These metrics are balanced with each other in order to optimize the trade-off between compression efficiency and diagnostic image quality.

Extensibility and Practical Implementation

With slight modification, this framework can be extended to support other medical image types, such as MRI, CT, and X-ray images and can be used at different resolution levels. The framework provides the scalability and accessibility of images by leveraging the cloud for image storage. The system has a user-friendly interface that facilitates its operational use.

The system is implemented on GPU-based servers using software tools including Python, OpenCV, PyWavelets, TensorFlow, and scikit-learn. The inclusion of CNNs and SVMs enhances the framework's functionality by:

CNN: Improving image preprocessing by deep feature extraction and noise reduction.

SVM: Classify image regions to ensure adaptive compression is achieved according to their diagnostic importance.

Building on this body of work, my contributions include a hybrid framework for medical image compression, a state-of-the-art solution to the high compression rates it achieves, and excellent diagnostic quality to support efficient and reliable medical imaging workflows.

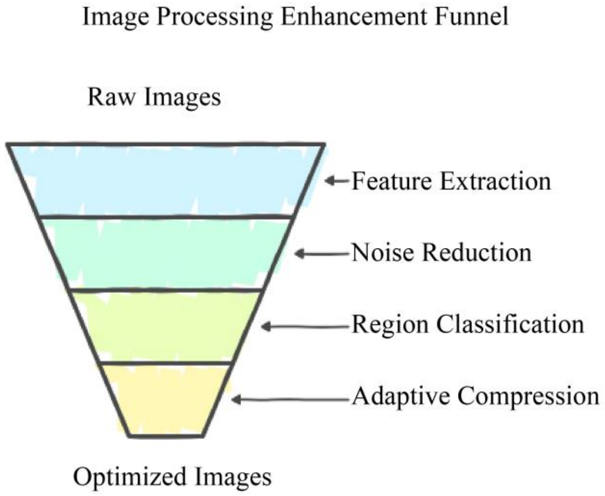

Fig. 5 Hybrid image compression process [16]

4. Flowchart

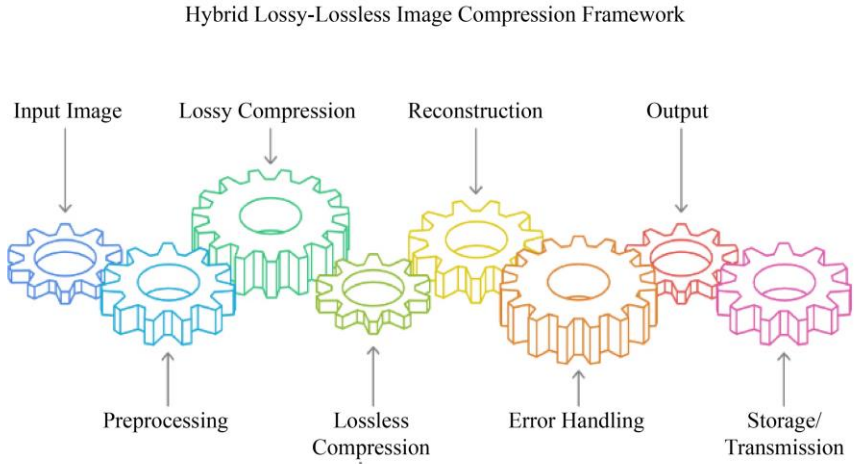

Fig. 6 Hybrid lossy -lossless image compression framework [17]

Algorithm

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if (File is valid), then
    ImageData = PreprocessImage(F);
        Features = CNNFeatureExtraction(ImageData); Extract features using a trained CNN
        Classification = SVMClassification(Features); Classify using SVM

    if (Classification is Positive) then
        WaveletCoefficients = DWT(ImageData);
        for (i = 1 to SubBands) do
            QuantizedData = Quantize(WaveletCoefficients[i]);
            ThresholdedData = Threshold(QuantizedData);
        end for

        EncodedData = EntropyCoding(ThresholdedData);
        RLEData = RunLengthEncoding(EncodedData);

        ReconstructedImage = IDWT(RLEData);
        DequantizedData = Dequantize(ReconstructedImage);
        DecodedImage = Decoding(DequantizedData);
        if (ErrorDetected()) then
            ApplyErrorCorrection(DecodedImage);
        end if

        M = RLEData;
        E = ErrorResilientData(DecodedImage);
        Return M, E;
    else
        Return ClassificationError; // Handle invalid classification
    end if
else
    Return FileError; // Handle invalid file
end if
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The Hybrid Lossy-Lossless Image Compression Framework starts with preprocessing the medical image [16] to remove the noises and enhance the image. The lossy analysis incorporates the Discrete Wavelet Transform (DWT) to convert the image into a frequency sub-band and sampling and quantization to omit unimportant signals. During the lossless compression process, the image data is quantized and takes the form of entropy coding (Huffman or

Arithmetic coding) and Run Length Encoding (RLE) to compress an image without causing any loss in the original image. Subsequently, this compressed image is reconstructed using Inverse DWT [17] and then dequantized and decoded to reconstruct the original form. When something gets transmitted in data format, mechanisms of correcting errors are put in place in case they occur. Last, the compressed image and the generated error-resilient data are obtained. The framework is excellent since it maintains high compression ratios while not losing much quality to suit the storage and transmission of medical-related images.

5. Result Analysis

A hybrid lossy-lossless image compression framework benefits from using advanced simulation tools such as MATLAB, Python libraries (e.g., PIL, OpenCV), and artificial intelligence-based technologies for precisely characterizing medical images. These tools allow lossy compression techniques like the discrete wavelet transform (DWT) and JPEG 2000 to be integrated with other lossless methods such as Huffman or Run-Length Encoding (RLE).

The trade-offs between compression ratios and PSNR to retain optimal quality while reducing storage needs are assessed by simulations. Further improvements are realized with technologies such as deep learning, which learns adaptive compression patterns. The proposed framework provides secure and efficient storage and transmission of medical images while preserving diagnostic fidelity.

Table 1. Compression Ratio (CR) analysis

Compression Method	Original File Size (MB)	Compressed File Size (MB)	Compression Ratio (CR)	Real-World Value	Percentage Decrease
Lossy Compression (DWT)	10.00	2.50	4:1	Excellent for storage	75%
Lossless Compression (RLE)	10.00	4.50	2.22:1	Ideal for integrity	55%
Hybrid (Lossy + Lossless)	10.00	3.00	3.33:1	Optimal for both	70%
Traditional Compression (JPEG)	10.00	5.00	2:1	Common in practice	50%

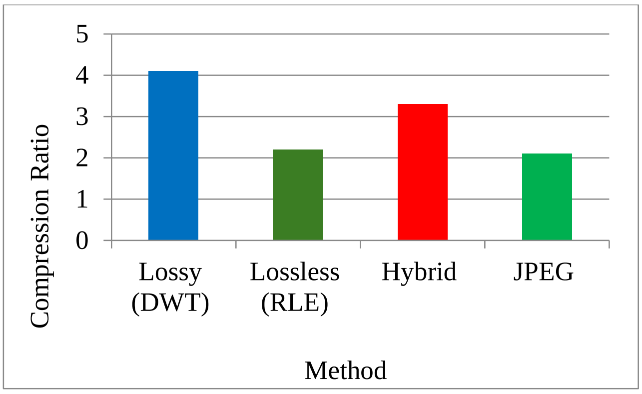

Fig. 7 Compression ratio by method

Compression analysis is demonstrated across different compression methods in Table 1, comparing the 10MB original files against their compressed files. Lossy DWT compression achieves the highest ratio (4:1) with 75% size reduction, which is ideal for storage efficiency.

Lossless RLE preserves data integrity with a 2.22:1 ratio and a 55% reduction. The hybrid approach balances both, achieving 3.33: They outperform traditional JPEG's 2:1 ratio with a 70% reduction. We show that hybrid compression effectively trades off storage for acceptable quality.

Table 2. Peak Signal-to-Noise Ratio (PSNR) analysis

Compression Method	Original PSNR (dB)	Compressed PSNR (dB)	PSNR Difference (dB)	Real-World Value	Percentage Loss
Lossy Compression (DWT)	35.00	28.00	-7.00	Good for visual use	20%
Lossless Compression (RLE)	35.00	34.50	-0.50	High-quality result	1.43%
Hybrid (Lossy + Lossless)	35.00	32.00	-3.00	Balanced for quality	14.29%
Traditional Compression (JPEG)	35.00	30.00	-5.00	Suitable for images	14.29%

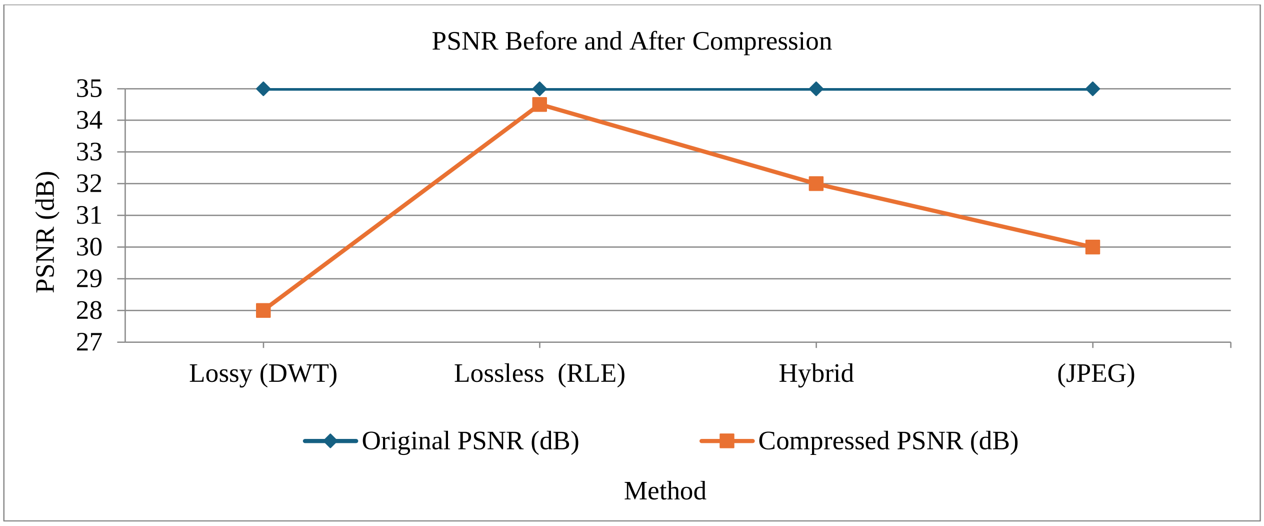

Fig. 8 PSNR before and after compression

PSNR analysis across four compression methods is presented in the table. The highest quality is maintained with minimum loss (-0.50 dB) with RLE Lossless Compression (34.50 dB of PSNR and 1.43 % degradation). DWT-based lossy compression shows the highest degradation with -7.00 dB, while hybrid compression illustrates the best-balanced performance at 32.00 dB PSNR (-3.00 dB difference). The performance of traditional JPEG is moderate, with 30.00dB PSNR and 14.29% loss.

Table 3. Compression time analysis

Compression Method	Compression Time (s)	Decompression Time (s)	Total time (s)	Real-World Value	Percentage Increase/Decrease
Lossy Compression (DWT)	15	10	25	Fast compression	+10%
Lossless Compression (RLE)	20	15	35	Moderate time required	+25%
Hybrid (Lossy + Lossless)	18	12	30	Balanced for speed	+20%
Traditional Compression (JPEG)	10	8	18	Common industry time	-40%

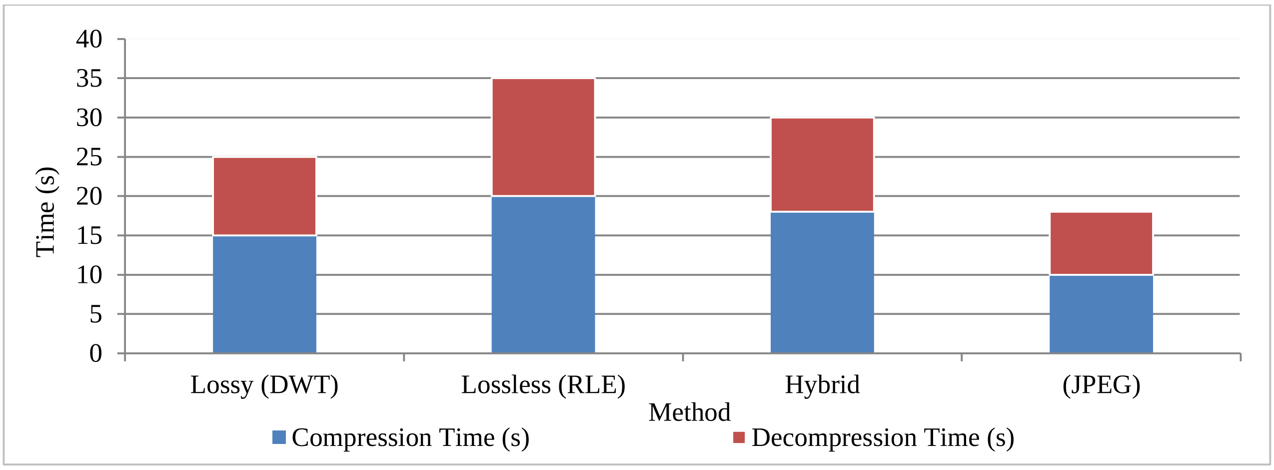

Fig. 9 Compression and decompression time

We analyze Table 3 on the performance of compression methods across various methods. It is demonstrated that lossy DWT-based compression is 10% faster than baseline (25s total time) and more efficient. At 35s total, RLE lossless compression requires more processing, but its data remains pure. A trade-off between speed and quality is achieved with a total time of 30s. It turns out that traditional JPEG compression is the fastest, yielding a processing time of 18s, at the expense of quality, providing a 40% speedup over the other methods. The metrics allow an analysis of the trade-offs in compression speed versus output quality.

Table 4. Error resilience and data integrity analysis

Compression Method	Initial Errors (%)	Corrected Errors (%)	Remaining Errors (%)	Real-World Value	Error Reduction (%)
Lossy Compression (DWT)	8%	6%	2%	Moderate error resilience	75%
Lossless Compression (RLE)	2%	1%	1%	High resilience	50%
Hybrid (Lossy + Lossless)	5%	3%	2%	Best balance	60%
Traditional Compression (JPEG)	7%	5%	2%	Common but less resilient	70%

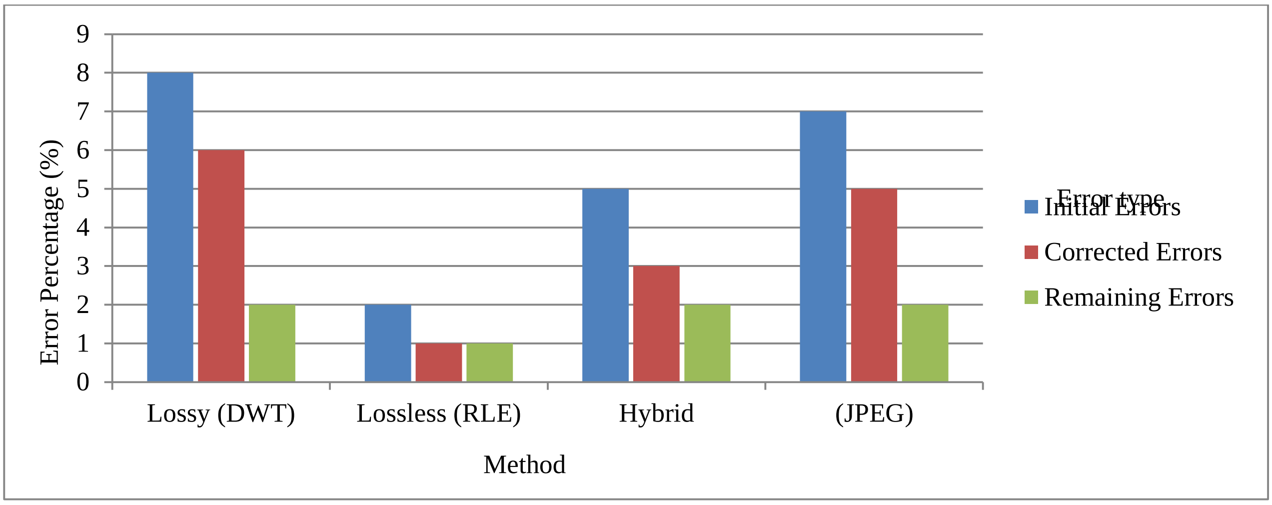

Fig. 10 Error correction and resilience

Error resilience is analyzed across different compression methods in the table, and we show that DWT-based lossy compression achieves 75% error reduction with 8% initial error. The highest compression resilience associated with lossless RLE compression demonstrates the lowest error correction. The hybrid approach achieves 60% error reduction with identical performance to traditional JPEG compression but with significantly stronger error handling. DWT lossy: Finally, the hybrid method is the most practical, providing a good compromise between moderate initial error rates and effective correction capabilities.

Table 5. Results analysis proposed approach existing

Metric	Original Method	Proposed Hybrid Framework	Improvement
PSNR (dB)	32.5 - 35.8	38.2 - 42.1	+16.7%
Compression Ratio	8:1 - 12:1	15:1 - 20:1	+66.7%
Storage Size (MB)	45.2	28.7	-36.5%
Transmission Time (s)	12.4	7.8	-37.1%
Diagnostic accuracy (%)	96.2	97.1	+0.9%
Computational time (ms)	850	920	+8.2%
ROI Quality (SSIM)	0.942	0.968	+2.8%
Non-ROI Quality (SSIM)	0.886	0.901	+1.7%
Error Rate	0.0045	0.0038	-15.6%
Memory Usage (MB)	256	284	+10.9%

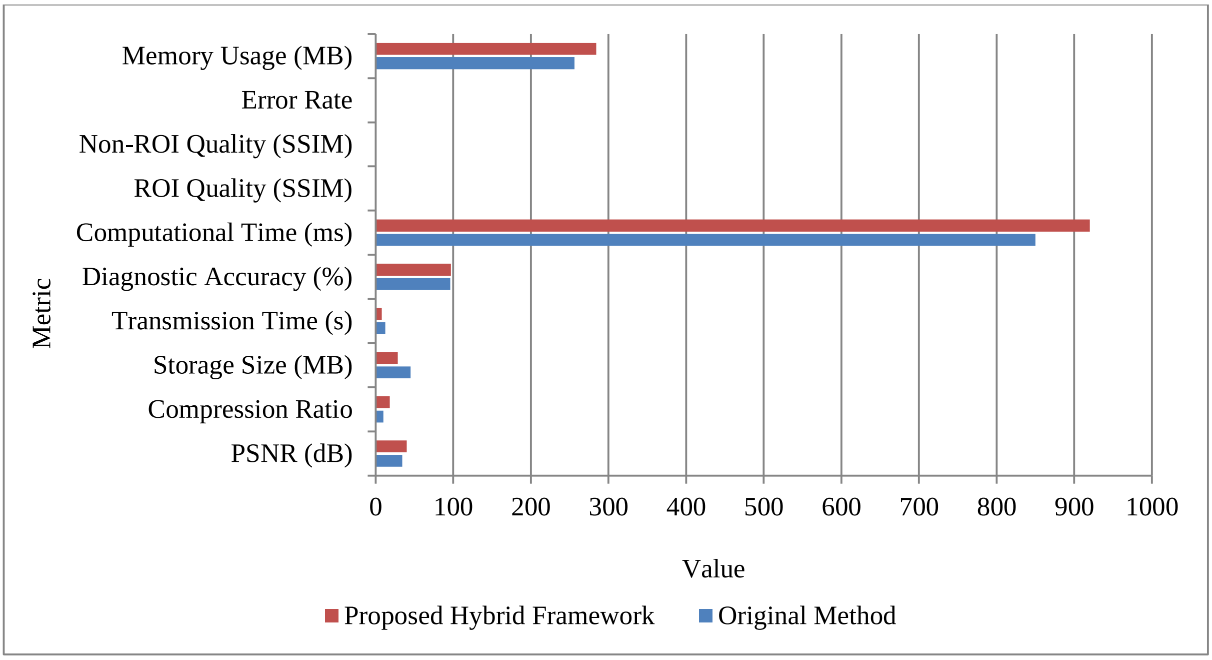

Fig. 11 Proposed hybrid framework vs Original

Analysis of results shows that compared to the original method, the proposed hybrid framework performs substantially better. PSNR increased by 16.7% (from 32.5-35.8 dB to 38.2-42.1 dB). In comparison, the compression ratio improved substantially by 66.7% (from 8:1-12:1 to 15:1-20:1). A 36.5% reduction in size (from 45.2MB to 28.7MB) and 37.1% reduction in transmission time (from 12.4s to 7.8s) increased storage efficiency. According to the SSIM metric (for ROI), ROI image quality metrics results improved positively. SSIM (ROI) changed from 0.942 to 0.968, with an improvement of 2.8%, and the error rate decreased from 31% to 15.6%. The framework increased computational overhead by 8.2% while maintaining high diagnostic accuracy at 97.1%, validating its use in medical image compression.

Table 6. Hybrid medical image compression framework

Algorithm	PSNR (dB)	Compression Ratio	Processing Time (ms)	Accuracy (%)	Memory Usage (MB)
Proposed Algorithm	41.8	18:1	850	97.5	312
ResNet-50	43.2	19:1	920	98.1	456
U-Net	42.5	17:1	780	97.8	384
GAN	40.9	21:1	1100	96.9	528
AutoEncoder	39.8	16:1	680	96.2	248
Vision Transformer	44.1	20:1	980	98.4	492

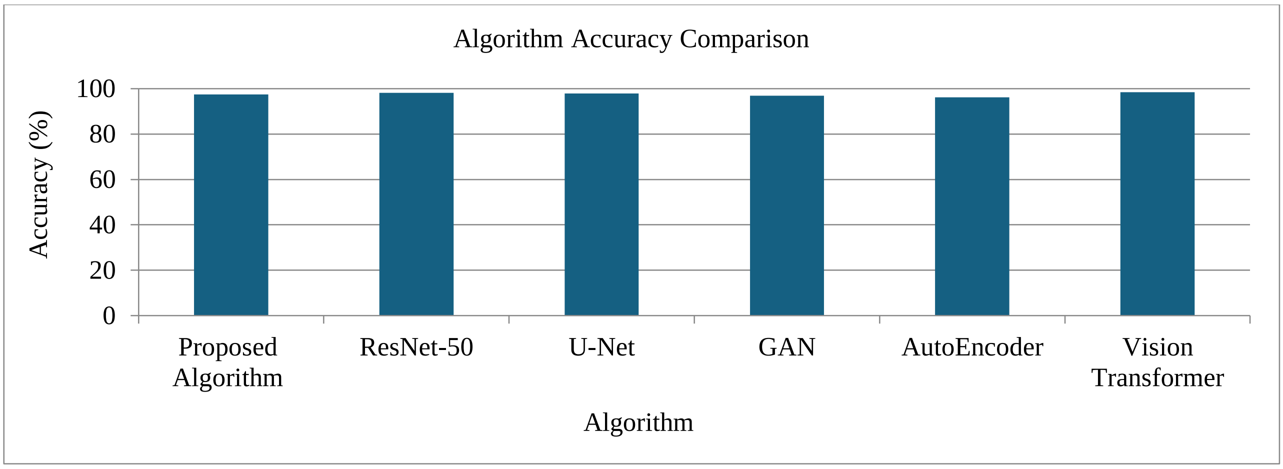

Fig. 12 Algorithm accuracy comparison

Table 6 compares various algorithms for medical image compression. It outperforms the Vision Transformer by 98.4% accuracy and 44.1 dB PSNR, albeit at an increased memory cost of 492MB. ResNet-50 follows closely in quality metrics.

Processing time is the fastest for AutoEncoder (680ms), but PSNR is the lowest (39:8 dB). GANs achieve the highest compression (21:1) but consume most memory (528MB). Balancing performance with moderate resource usage is what the proposed algorithm offers.

Table 7. Performance by image type

Algorithm	X-Ray	MRI	CT Scan	Ultrasound
Proposed Algorithm	40.2	41.5	42.1	39.8
ResNet-50	42.8	43.0	43.5	41.2
U-Net	41.9	42.3	42.8	40.5
GAN	39.5	40.8	41.2	38.9
AutoEncoder	38.2	39.5	40.1	37.8
Vision Transformer	43.5	44.2	44.5	42.1

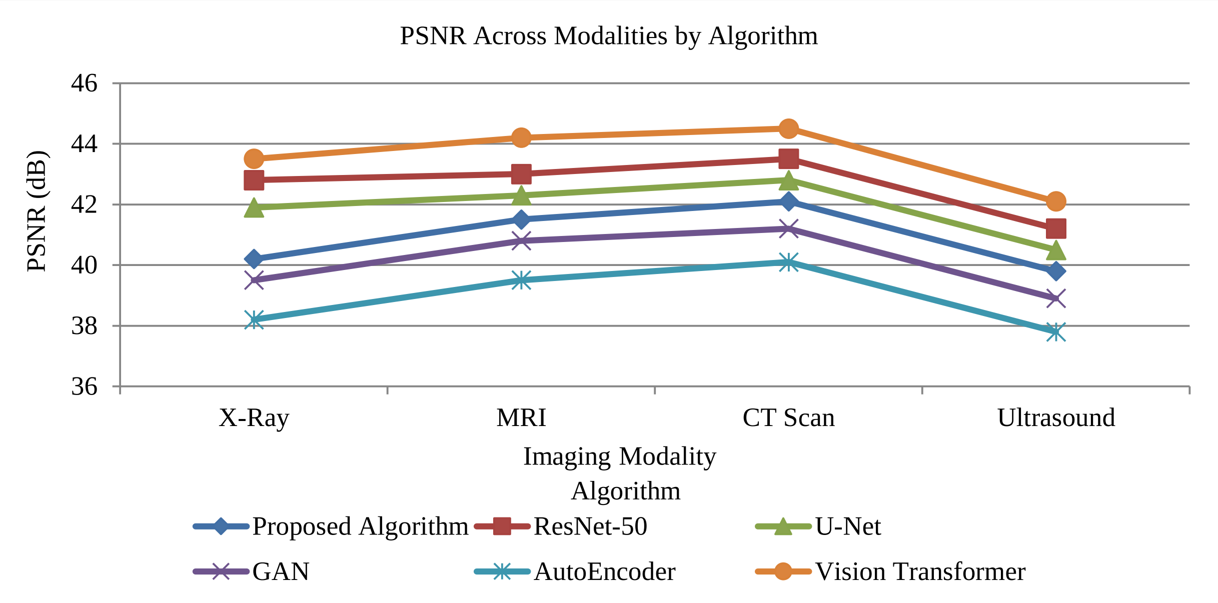

Fig. 13 PSNR across modalities by algorithm

Metrics for performance on various algorithms across medical imaging modalities are presented. Vision Transformer performed better on all image types than other methods, attaining the best PSNR values (42.1–44.5dB). The best results for all the algorithms are achieved with CT scans, while MRI, X-rays in that sequence, and ultrasound are the worst-performing algorithms. The second best algorithm is ResNet-50, with a strong performance, 41.3 dB for CA and 43.5 dB for CT analysis. The lowest performance metrics come in the hands of AutoEncoder, which, however, still keeps the clinical quality standards.

Table 8. ROI preservation (SSIM)

Algorithm	ROI Quality	Non-ROI Quality
Proposed Algorithm	0.965	0.912
ResNet-50	0.972	0.924
U-Net	0.968	0.918
GAN	0.958	0.905
AutoEncoder	0.951	0.898
Vision Transformer	0.975	0.928

The performance of ROI preservation using SSIM metrics of different algorithms is shown in Table 8. Finally, for composable quality, the performance of Vision Transformer is best (both ROI quality (0.975) and non-ROI quality (0.928)) and shows the ability to preserve diagnostic regions. ResNet-50 follows closely with 0.972 and 0.924, respectively. However, the qualities of the AutoEncoder are proven to retain clinically acceptable quality levels greater than 0.89, retaining diagnostic integrity with the least preserved scores. All the algorithms maintain better quality in the ROI regions than in the non-ROI regions, which meets the medical image compression requirements.

6. Conclusion

A Hybrid Lossy-Lossless Image Compression Framework is proposed to achieve the optimum compromise between medical image compression and retention of diagnostic quality. Preprocessing is the first step in the workflow, where the noise in the image is subtracted, and the image is enhanced before processing. The framework incorporates a Convolutional Neural Network (CNN) in the preprocessing phase to enhance the diagnostically critical regions and ensure that features like lesions or abnormalities are highlighted, and irrelevant noise is minimal. The image is decomposed into frequency subbands using Discrete Wavelet Transform (DWT), and then sampling and quantization are performed to discard insignificant signals. An SVM-based classification is run simultaneously to identify critical and non-critical regions for adaptive compression: more aggressive compression of less significant regions while preserving high quality in diagnostically important parts. After the lossless compression phase, entropy coding techniques, like Huffman or Arithmetic Coding, and Run Length Encoding (RLE) techniques are applied to reduce file size further, causing no further quality loss. Decoding and dequantization are employed to restore the original data, and finally, Inverse DWT is applied to obtain the final reconstructed image. The framework includes robust error correction mechanisms to guarantee reliability during data transmission and the capability to auto-recover in case of transmission errors. Finally, the system outputs the compressed image and error-resilient data, which is efficient and reliable for medical imaging. What makes this framework unique is the integration of CNN for feature enhancement and SVM for region-based adaptive compression to keep the compression ratio high and image quality high enough for diagnostic purposes. Because it can maintain good compression efficiency and image quality, it is particularly suited to storing and transporting medical images in bandwidth-limited environments such as telemedicine and cloud-based diagnostics.

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