

APPROACHES TO PREDICT CARDIOVASCULAR ISSUE USING MACHINE LEARNING METHOD

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Abstract

Cardiovascular illnesses remain a major health concern, requiring efficient detection techniques. Despite valuable research, gaps remain in predictive models, particularly due to imbalanced datasets, leading to biased predictions. This study employs machine learning to detect cardiac issues, including myocardial infarction, addressing dataset imbalance. It evaluates Fuzzy C-Means Clustering, Quadratic Discriminant Analysis (QDA), Support Vector Machine (SVM), Multi-layer Perceptron (MLP), and Stochastic Gradient Descent (SGD). The findings offer insights into enhancing myocardial infarction prediction and improving cardiovascular disorder diagnosis.

INTRODUCTION

The cardiovascular system maintains physiological balance by circulating oxygenated blood. Cardiovascular diseases (CVDs), including congenital abnormalities, peripheral arterial disease, arrhythmias, cerebrovascular diseases, coronary artery disease (CAD), and cardiomyopathies, disrupt this function. Coronary heart disease (CHD) is the most common, accounting for 64% of cases globally. CVDs significantly impact both men and women, making CAD a leading cause of death [1,2].

The World Health Organization (WHO) reports 17.9 million annual deaths from CVDs and predicts 24.5 million by 2030 due to risk factors like smoking, obesity, high cholesterol, diabetes, and high blood pressure [3,4]. Timely medical intervention is crucial, as early diagnosis can save lives.

Machine learning (ML) has transformed healthcare with its ability to process data and identify complex patterns. However, challenges like imbalanced datasets hinder the accuracy of predictive models [5,6].

The following are the primary goals of this study:

- Analyze and compare machine learning algorithms, including Fuzzy C-Means Clustering, Multi-layer Perceptron (MLP), Support Vector Machine (SVM), Quadratic Discriminant Analysis (QDA), and Stochastic Gradient Descent (SGD), for CVD prediction.
- Improve algorithm efficiency and apply pre-processing techniques to enhance prediction accuracy.
- Provide medical professionals with a tool for early detection and personalized treatment.

This study evaluates supervised and unsupervised ML models Fuzzy C-Means Clustering, SVM, MLP, QDA, and SGD used for classification, regression, and clustering. The results demonstrate improved precision, recall, accuracy, f1-score, sensitivity, and specificity. The paper is structured as follows: Section 2 reviews literature, Sections 3 and 4 present the proposed approach and results, and Section 5 concludes the study.

1. Literature Review

Healthcare organizations seek innovative methods to manage rising heart disease-related deaths, improving service quality and timely healthcare delivery. The Internet of Things (IoT) has emerged as a key approach, enabling cardiac health monitoring. Safa and Pandian [7] proposed a stress evaluation method using physiological data, where K-Nearest Neighbor (KNN) outperformed SVM and Decision Tree (DT). Heart disease prediction relies on techniques like KNN, DT, genetic algorithms, and Naïve Bayes (NB) [8]. Mohan et al. [9] introduced a hybrid approach achieving 88.4% accuracy. Kaur et al. [10] explored data mining techniques, highlighting SVM's superior accuracy. Using CAD technology, [11] evaluated Multi-Layer Perceptron for cardiac disorder

prediction. Animesh Hazra et al. [12] compared C4.5, K-Means, DT, SVM, and NB to enhance prediction accuracy. DT algorithms were also used in [13] with SVM for better classification. Wong et al. [14] conducted a meta-analysis on ML applications for CVD prediction. AI-enhanced ECG analysis for at-risk patients was examined in [15]. Linda et al. [16] developed a clinical decision support system for exercise recommendations in heart patients.

ML algorithms have shown effectiveness in disease prediction. Kohali et al. [17] used Adaboost for breast cancer (98.57% accuracy), SVM for diabetes (85.71%), and Logistic Regression (LR) for heart disease (87.1%). This study evaluates supervised and unsupervised ML techniques for CVD prediction and proposes a combined approach for improved precision, discussed in the next section.

2. Proposed Methodology

This section outlines the development of the cardiovascular disease (CVD) prediction system. The steps involved are:

1. Retrieving the dataset from Google Drive.
2. Applying pre-processing: data cleansing, feature importance analysis, and data standardization.
3. Using Fuzzy C-Means clustering as an unsupervised method to improve precision, recall, and address dataset imbalance.
4. Splitting the dataset into training (75%) and testing (25%) subsets.
5. Training and testing the final CVD prediction system using machine learning models: Stochastic Gradient Descent (SGD), Support Vector Machine (SVM), Multi-layer Perceptron (MLP), Quadratic Discriminant Analysis (QDA), and Fuzzy C-Means Clustering.

Figure 1 provides a block diagram of the proposed method for the CVD.

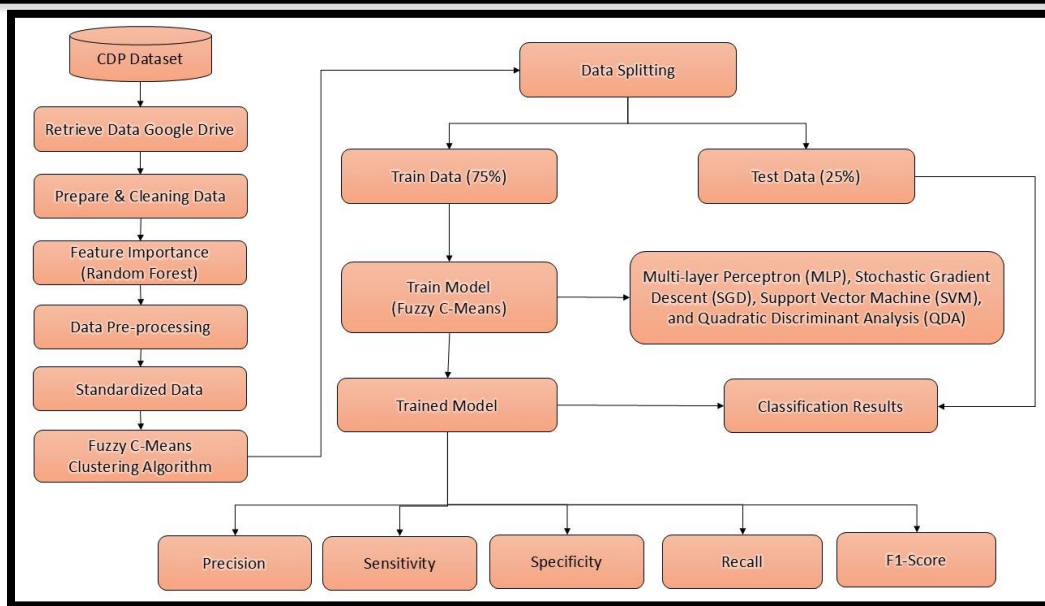


Figure 1: Block Diagram of the Proposed Method for CVD

The flowchart shows data extraction, cleaning, standardization, and normalization. Processed data (75% training, 25% testing) is used for clustering and classification. Data preprocessing and classification play distinct roles in the proposed method.

2.1. Pre-processing

Data is processed using fuzzy C-Means clustering to retrieve relevant information after gathering the necessary preprocessing data.

Data Collection

Data is collected from Kaggle's Cardiovascular Disease Prediction (CDP) dataset, which contains 70,000 instances described by 13 variables [18] and two target classes (cardiovascular: 34,979; non-cardiovascular: 35,021), providing essential traits for research analysis and cardiovascular prediction (Table 1).

Table 1: Displays the Original Cardiovascular Disease Prediction Dataset

Parameters of the Dataset	Characteristics of CDP
Age	Patient age
Height	Patient height
Weight	Patient weight
Gender	Patient Sex: female; male
Systolic blood pressure	Have you ever been fatigued, worn out, or exhausted?
Diastolic blood pressure	Have you frequently experienced ineffective coughing?
Cholesterol	Have you ever felt suffocated or out of breath?
Glucose	Have you ever felt a sore, itchy, or painful throat?
Smoking	Have you had frequent bone or body pain?
Alcohol Intake	Have you ever felt your face or nose feel full?
Physical Activity	Have you ever had fluids flow down your mouth or drip?
Cardiovascular Disease	Patient Severity; None, Mild or Moderate.

Figure 2 shows cardiovascular disease prevalence by gender (1: females, 2: males), with females exhibiting higher incidence than males. Figure 3 displays distribution by

class (0: non-cardiovascular, 1: cardiovascular), where non-cardiovascular cases are more frequent.

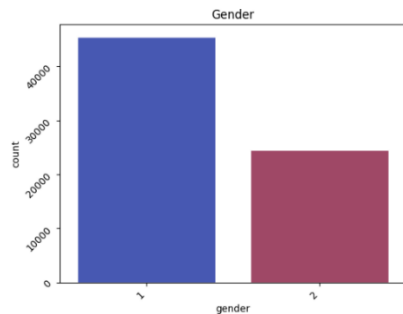


Figure 2: Quantity of Facts Male and Female Cardiovascular Disease Patients

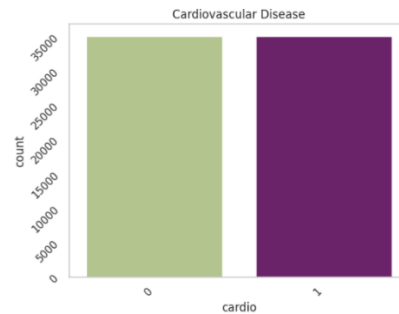


Figure 3: Quantity of Cardiovascular Disease Patients

FEATURE SELECTION: Attributes are rated by relevance lower-scoring features are eliminated to reduce dimensionality, while higher-scoring ones influence predictions. RFE with XGBoost, SVM, and

RF iteratively removes less significant features to enhance efficiency and forecast accuracy [20]. The CDP model's component importance is shown in two tables, with Figure 4 graphically representing these scores and Table 2 detailing variable values.

Table 2: Cardiovascular Disease Prediction Dataset with Feature Importance (CDP)

Sr. No.	Feature	Feature Importance Score
1	age	0.308162
2	ap_hi	0.172671
3	weight	0.172423
4	height	0.157008
5	ap_lo	0.090245
6	cholesterol	0.038594
7	gluc	0.016222
8	gender	0.015581
9	active	0.013170
10	smoke	0.008399
11	alco	0.007525

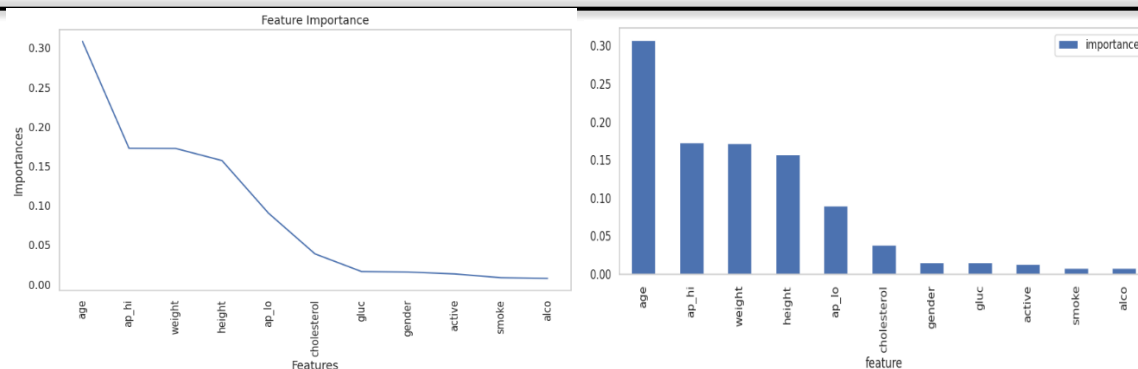


Figure 4: Feature Importance Dataset of Cardiovascular Disease Prediction (CDP)

This study investigates key approaches for cardiovascular disease prediction: pre-processing, induction, simulation, data standardization, post-processing, complexity measurements, crucial elements, and system efficiency. Data collection starts

the process, followed by normalization and standardization that produce an improved dataset (Table 3). Complex data is shown in Figure 5, where the X value is a black circle and the Y value is a pale pink circle, without fuzzy C-Means clustering.

Table 3: Analyzed dataset used to forecast the cardiovascular diagnosis is displayed.

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11-Dimension
[[ 1.62363599 0.71370255 -0.60810188 ... -0.2364393 0.61189903
-0.98114275]
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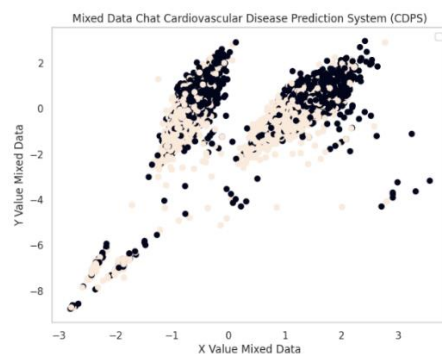


Figure 5: Cardiovascular Disease Prediction using Mixed Data Chat (CDP)

FUZZY C-MEANS CLUSTERING METHOD.

Clustering is a widely used unsupervised learning technique that groups data into clusters. Fuzzy C-Means (FCM) assigns membership values to each data point based on its distance from a cluster centroid, allowing points to belong to multiple clusters [19,20]. Preprocessing creates a mixed data representation, refining large datasets by removing redundancies.

FCM identifies three clusters, assigning probabilities to determine membership. This forms an agreement matrix showing relationships between clusters and samples. Applied to the multi-class Cardiovascular Disease Prediction (CDP) dataset, FCM structures unorganized data, as illustrated in Figures 6 and 7 through cluster diagrams and line graphs.

Table 4: Fuzzy C-Means Clustering Centroid Value

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Table 5: C-Means Fuzzy Two Clusters Cardiovascular Disease Prediction (CDP) dataset with preprocessing

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 1.10581882 1] ...
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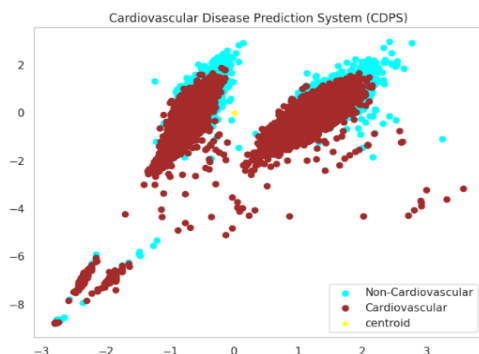


Figure 6: Fuzzy C-Means Two Clusters (CDP)

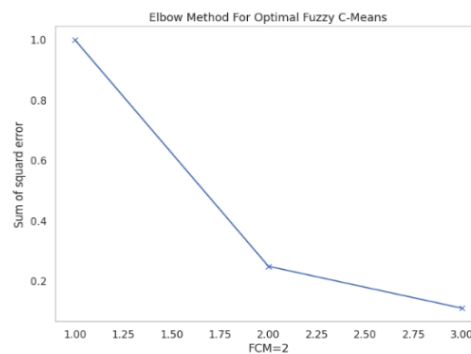


Figure 7: Fuzzy C-Means Sum of Squared Error Line Chart

Clustering feature detection is evaluated using various clustering methods, F-measure, precision, and recall. Standardized benchmarks classify results as legitimate, suspicious, or unlawful, ensuring accurate system assessment and performance evaluation.

3.2 CLASSIFICATION

Classification assigns data points to categories using supervised learning, testing various algorithms to determine the best predictor for a dataset.

MULTI-LAYER PERCEPTRON (MLP) ALGORITHM. Multi-Layer Perceptron (MLP) is an optimization method with input, hidden, and output layers, used for complex data patterns in supervised learning. It maps data into multidimensional space, enabling precise predictions [21, 22].

This process maps data into multidimensional space, enabling the model to match genuine labels and predict future datasets. Figure 8's confusion matrix evaluates MLP's accuracy.

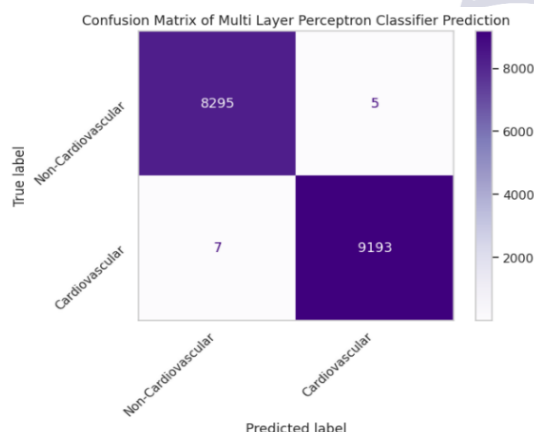


Figure 8: MLP Confusion Matrix Algorithm

The confusion matrix validated the MLP model for detection and prediction tasks. Figure 9 shows results from applying MLP to a synthetic dataset. The ROC curve further evaluates model accuracy, providing insights into prediction trends and improving estimation.

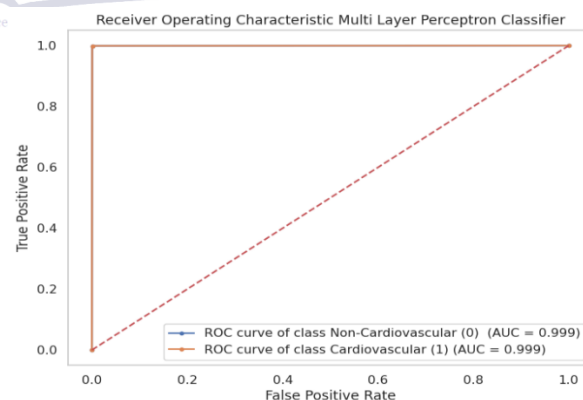


Figure 9: Shows the MLP Receiver Operating Characteristic (ROC) Curve

STOCHASTIC GRADIENT DESCENT (SGD) ALGORITHM. optimizes objective functions, especially in linear models like SVM and Logistic Regression. It updates parameters after analyzing each data point, making it efficient for large datasets [23]. After training, it predicts category labels, aiming for high accuracy.

Figure 10 presents the confusion matrix for SGD predictions.

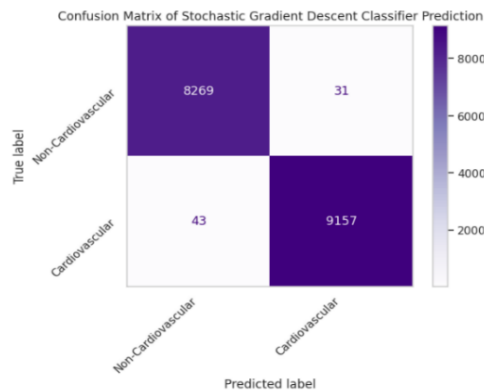


Figure 10: Stochastic Gradient Descent (SGD) Confusion Matrix Algorithm

The Receiver Operating Characteristic (ROC) curve evaluates a classifier's predictive ability as the threshold changes. Often used with cost-benefit analysis, it helps balance decision impacts. Figure 11 illustrates the ROC curve for the Stochastic Gradient Descent (SGD) model, highlighting its predictive power and accuracy optimization.

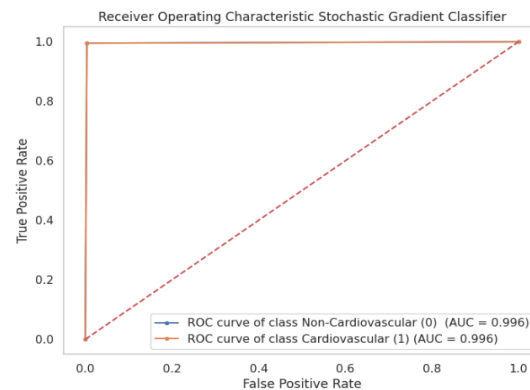


Figure 11: Shows SGD Receiver Operating Characteristic (ROC) Curve

SUPPORT VECTOR MACHINE ALGORITHM.

SVM is a supervised learning method used for

classification and regression, ensuring maximum separation between classes in a high-dimensional space. It employs mathematical techniques like kernel functions (sigmoid, RBF, polynomial) to determine optimal decision boundaries using support vectors [24, 25]. Once trained, SVM predicts labels for new and existing data, aiming for high accuracy. Figure 12 presents confusion matrices demonstrating its predictive performance.

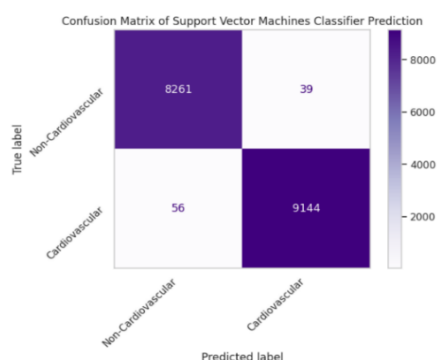


Figure 12: SVM Confusion Matrix Algorithm

The confusion matrix played a key role in accurate labeling for detection and prediction, making SVM a suitable choice. Figure 13 presents result from applying SVM to a synthetic dataset. The ROC curve further evaluates performance, with user feedback refining accuracy, improving overall model precision.

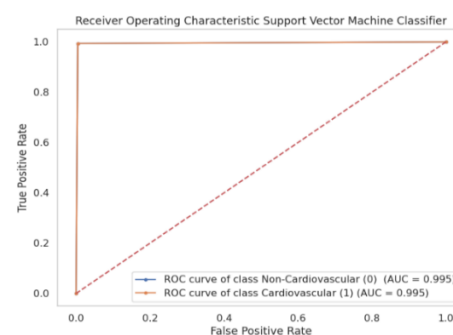


Figure 13: Shows SVM Receiver Operating Characteristic (ROC) Curve

Quadratic Discriminant Analysis (QDA) ALGORITHM. Quadratic Discriminant Analysis (QDA) assumes Gaussian class distributions, creating a quadratic decision boundary using Bayes' rule. Unlike Linear Discriminant Analysis (LDA), QDA excels with unequal class distributions but can be computationally intensive with many predictors and

prone to overfitting with small sample sizes [26,27]. It effectively determines class probabilities for accurate classification. Figure 14 presents the resulting

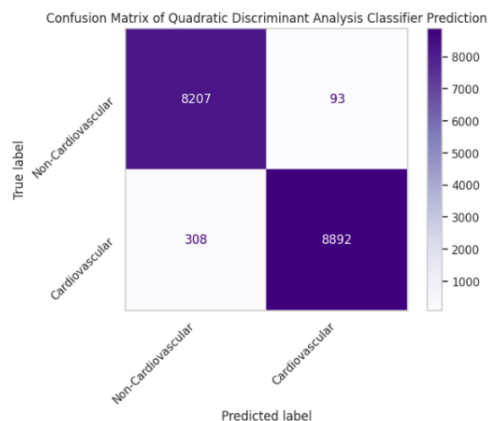


Figure 14: Quadratic Discriminant Analysis (QDA) Confusion Matrix Algorithm

ROC analysis evaluates a classifier's ability to adjust its discrimination threshold, aiding informed decision-making. Closely linked to cost-benefit analysis, it provides insights into model performance. Figure 15 presents the ROC curve, visually illustrating the classifier's overall effectiveness.

confusion matrix, highlighting QDA's ability to classify data even with imbalanced distributions or limited training data [28,29].

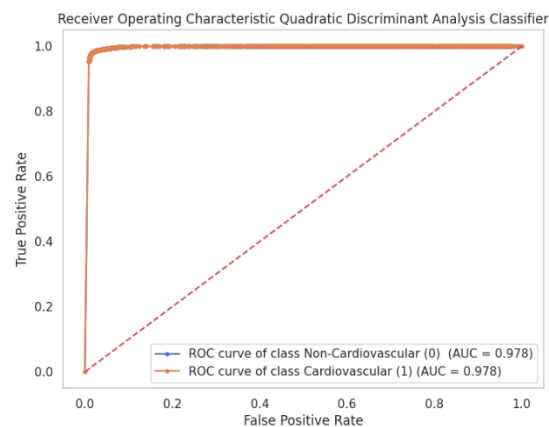


Figure 15: Shows QDA Receiver Operating Characteristic (ROC) Curve

3. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION:

A comprehensive analysis of hybrid algorithms was conducted to assess their predictive and classification performance for cardiovascular disease. The following table presents the hybrid algorithms and their corresponding accuracies:

Table 6: Accuracy of Hybrid Models for Cardiovascular Disease (CVD)

Hybrid Algorithm	Accuracy of Algorithms
Fuzzy C-Means, Multi-layer Perceptron (MLP) Proposed Method	99.9314 %
Fuzzy C-Means, Stochastic Gradient Descent (SGD) Proposed Method	99.5771 %
Fuzzy C-Means, Support Vector Machine (SVM) Proposed Method	99.4571 %
Fuzzy C-Means, Quadratic Discriminant Analysis (QDA) Proposed Method	97.7085 %

Hybrid algorithms showed varying accuracy in predicting cardiovascular disease, with Fuzzy C-Means + MLP achieving 99.93%, SGD + Fuzzy C-Means

99.58%, Fuzzy C-Means + SVM 99.46%, and Fuzzy C-Means + QDA 97.71%, highlighting their potential for improved medical diagnostics.

Table 7: Parameter evaluations for CVD prediction using algorithm combinations

S/No.	Parameter Score	Fuzzy C-Means, Multi-layer Perceptron (MLP)	Fuzzy C-Means, Stochastic Gradient Descent (SGD)	Fuzzy C-Means, Support Vector Machine (SVM)	Fuzzy C-Means, Quadratic Discriminant Analysis (QDA)
1	Precision	0.99930661	0.99572639	0.99450991	0.97673897
2	Recall	0.99931836	0.99579557	0.99460712	0.97765845
3	F1-Score	0.99931247	0.99576051	0.99455757	0.97705055
4	Sensitivity	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
5	Specificity	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0

Hybrid algorithm evaluations show excellent performance in cardiovascular disease prediction. The Fuzzy C-Means and MLP combination achieved 0.9993 precision, recall, and F1-score, with 1.0 sensitivity and specificity. Similarly, Fuzzy C-Means with SGD and SVM showed strong results, with precision, recall, and F1-scores above 0.995. The Fuzzy C-Means and QDA combination achieved 0.9767 accuracy, proving the effectiveness of hybrid models for precise cardiovascular predictions.

4. Comparative Analysis

The classifier's effectiveness was assessed by comparing various supervised ML techniques to

identify the most efficient one. Previous studies on cardiovascular disease (CVD) prediction showed limited accuracy, with Naïve Bayes achieving 83%, Logistic Regression 85%, and SVM 84.5%. In contrast, hybrid models significantly improved performance. The Fuzzy C-Means and MLP combination achieved 99.93% accuracy, while Fuzzy C-Means with SGD, SVM, and QDA attained 99.58%, 99.46%, and 97.71%, respectively. These results highlight the superior accuracy of hybrid methods for CVD prediction, enhancing medical diagnostics. Detailed performance metrics are presented in Table 7.

Table 8: Performance Accuracy of CVD Models Employing Hybrid Algorithms

Hybrid Algorithm	Accuracy of Algorithms
Parthiban et al. [30]	Naïve Bayes 74%
Kumar Dwivedi et al. [31]	Naïve Bayes 83%
	Classification tree 77%
	K-NN 80%
	Logistic regression 85%
Otoom et al. [32]	Naïve Bayes 84.5%
	SVM 84.5%
Fuzzy C-Means, Multi-layer Perceptron (MLP) Proposed Method	99.9314 %
Fuzzy C-Means, Stochastic Gradient Descent (SGD) Proposed Method	99.5771 %
Fuzzy C-Means, Support Vector Machine (SVM) Proposed Method	99.4571 %
Fuzzy C-Means, Quadratic Discriminant Analysis (QDA) Proposed Method	97.7085 %

Figures 16 and 17 show the accuracy of different hybrid models for heart disease prediction, ranging from 97.7% to 99.9%. The Fuzzy C-Means and MLP combination achieved the highest accuracy of 99.93%, followed by Fuzzy C-Means with SGD

(99.58%) and SVM (99.46%). The Fuzzy C-Means and QDA combination also performed well, reaching 97.71% accuracy. These results highlight the effectiveness of hybrid models in improving patient identification accuracy.

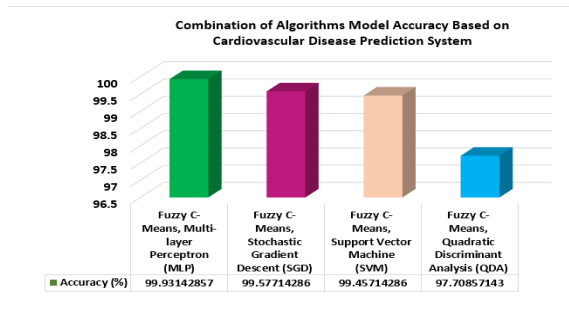


Figure 16: Algorithm Combination Model Accuracy for CDP

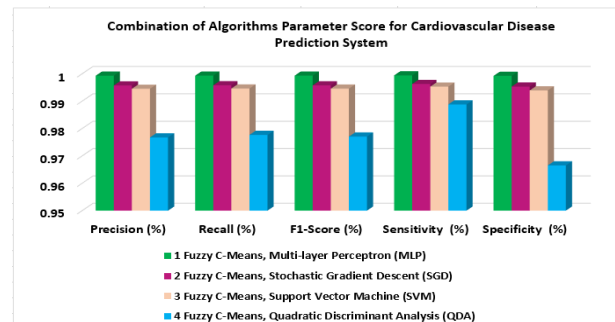


Figure 17: Combination of Parameter Score and Algorithms for CDP

The accuracy graph shows peak performance for hybrid models. If needed, accuracy can be adjusted. Currently, Score Precision, Recall, F1-Score, Sensitivity, and Specificity achieve optimal accuracy.

5. Conclusion

The study presents a technique to assist doctors in diagnosing cardiovascular diseases. Various machine learning methods, including fuzzy C-Means, MLP, SGD, SVM, and QDA, were applied to CVD datasets.

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