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Abstract

Disaster is a very serious dissipation that arises for a short time period, but the impact of that disaster on human society is very dangerous and very long-lasting. Disasters are categorized into two types like natural disasters and manmade disasters. Among all disasters, of all the natural disasters, flood is the commonplace natural disaster. Flood disaster that causes huge loss of human life, diversity as well as economic loss, which is very dangerous for the developing countries and developed countries also. Nowadays during the monsoon season flood is dangerous for all the geographical areas located nearby water bodies. Much research has been done for flood detection. Machine Learning and many other recent technologies are playing a vital role in predicting the occurrence of floods. For prediction purposes, a huge amount of data is requiring collected from sensors deployed in various locations. In this paper, we used the Batch normalization with Deep Neural Network (BNDNN) technique for the classification of data in three classes as Low, Moderate, and High. The result obtained from our proposed model is compared with some other models like Decision Tree (DT), Support Vector Machine (SVM), Artificial Neural Network (ANN), and Deep Neural Network (DNN). In this our proposed BNDNN provides 89% accuracy which is higher among all existing models. Models are compared based on some parameters like Accuracy, Precision, Recall, F – Score. The compression among all the models used in this paper shows that our proposed model provides better results.

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1. Introduction

Disaster is a very serious outbreak that is of very short duration but has a huge impact on human life and nature. According to the united nation, a disaster is

A disaster can be defined as a “serious severance of a biodiversity or society's working due to widespread human or environmental damage”.

35 Nowadays, technologies are sufficient to predict the severity of the disaster such as flood
36 and also detect disaster in inaccessible areas. Flood risk residential life and property,
37 altering the natural environment, profound impact on biodiversity, polluting water bodies
38 and ecosystem [Hirabayashi et al., 2013, Dottori et al., 2016] Nevertheless, a huge number of
39 studies and explorations are done on sensor technology and artificial intelligence. The
40 combination of these vital areas provides immense business value and a huge number of
41 conveniences for burgeoning artificial intelligence technology and big data analytics.
42 Monitoring discrete events is important, but our main goal is to process data collected
43 from deployed sensory sources. Change in the climate of the earth is contributing to
44 increasing weather-related events. That encounters the increment in natural disasters like
45 floods, earthquakes, and tsunami, etc. [Mosavi et al., 2018]. Out of all the disasters, flood
46 is the most frequent one. The reason behind floods is sometimes natural such as excessive
47 rainfall or cloudburst or sometimes man-made such as encroachment of water bodies in
48 the catchment areas.

49 Fresh flood disaster is referring to loss that is influenced by the flood in the form of
50 causalities, infrastructure loss, and diversity loss as well as economical loss. For
51 developing countries, any natural disaster is very destructive [Li et al., 2019]. Flood
52 disaster very commonly occurs in natural disasters among all-natural disasters such as
53 earthquakes, volcanoes, tsunami, and landslides. The impact of these disasters on human
54 life is very extensive [Liu et al. 2019]. According to a survey, statistical economic loss
55 due to the flood annually around the world for 50 million dollars approximately. The
56 people concerned by the flood are approximate 100 million [Ahmadisharaf et al. 2015].
57 However, detection and prediction of the flooded area are required time and it is a very
58 complex task due to the dynamically change in the climate stage. So thus nowadays
59 mostly data-oriented flood prediction models are developed and concern in very
60 uncomplicated presumptions [Aazam et al. 2014]. The unceasing improvement of
61 Machine Learning approaches over the past decades determined their appropriateness for
62 flood detection with the plausible rate of outperforms conventional approaches [Saeed et
63 al. 2018, Ranit and Durge et al. 2019]. We have used DNN to classify our input data
64 collected from different sensors. We add batch normalization techniques between layers
65 to improve the classification accuracy of our DNN model. The accuracy of our model is
66 better than the accuracy previously used for flood prediction.

67 In the current section of the paper, we provide the basic introduction of the flood disaster
68 as well as some statistical data regarding the flood. These sections also highlight the basic
69 information of the model which we use in our paper. Paper flow is in section 2, we
70 provide a literature survey. In this section, we discuss the previously used model and
71 algorithm used in flood prediction. In section 3, We have discussed some of the standard
72 algorithms and models used earlier in flood prediction. In section 4, we discuss our
73 proposed model for flood prediction. In section4, we provide information regarding the

74 data set we used in our paper as well as compare our model with some other models. In
75 section 5, we provide the conclusion of the paper as well we the future scope.

76 Our major contribution in this paper:

- 77 • In this paper, we introduce the new approach, where the batch normalization
78 approach combines with DNN for meat flood event prediction.
- 79 • The accuracy of our model is also compared to some existing standard models
80 and algorithms and our proposed model provides better prediction accuracy.
- 81 • In this paper, we consider datasets with different environmental parameters, such
82 as cloud cover, precipitation, average. temp, min. temp, max. temp. along with
83 this parameter year, the month is also included.

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85 **2. Related work**

86 For reducing the risk of possible damage caused by the disaster government all over the
87 world focus on developing the Early Warning System (EWS). The author develops an
88 ML method for monitoring flood areas. The AI-based system is designed for detecting
89 abnormal behavior of dike. The Bishop model was used to calculate the Dike behavior
90 and used as a target for the neural network [Pyayt et al., 2011]. Prediction of drainage of
91 water is crucial for flood control during heavy rainfall. The proposed work focuses on the
92 predictive discharge BPNN model. Data is collected from Govindpur basins on the
93 Brahmani River on daily basis. Models have been Trained and tested to predict model
94 performance over different architectures [Ghose et al. 2018]. The author uses the Hadoop
95 file system to maintain a huge amount of data collected from sensors. a Convolution
96 DNN for the analysis of data. Model is tested on data collected from IoT-based devices.
97 Results were compared with the existing ANN and DNN models. [Anbarasan et al.
98 2020]. IoT is an area of applied electronics that is deals with collecting data in a real-time
99 environment and transfer via a wireless sensor network. Data collected from the various
100 sensors is analyzed through an ANN. In this proposed model standard three-layer
101 architecture is used with one hidden layer [Mitra et al. 2016]

102 The study area in this paper is disaster risk analysis in the Philippines due to cyclones.
103 The researcher in this study is the focus to improve the output of the hybrid model. This
104 model uses ARIMA and ANN with DWT for disaster risk prediction in the Philippines
105 provinces in terms of casualties [Alquisola et al. 2018]. The existing tool for data
106 classification is mostly used manual data input and prepared data. The author proposed a
107 unique approach for flood forecasting by integrating geospatial, Hydrological,
108 Metrological, and crowdsources that big data in an appropriate Machine Learning
109 framework. Results suggest that MLP ANNs provide better accuracy among all ML
110 techniques [Puttinaovarat et al. 2020]. Flood occurrence is depending on various

111 metrological and hydrological factors. An ANN-based model aims to intensify the
112 accuracy of the flood detection system. Data from various sensors fed to the ANN for
113 analysis. Experimental results show that the NARX network with Levenberg- Marquardt
114 training algorithm provides better results and real-time prediction with alert [Bande et al.
115 2017].

116 In many cases, ANN is providing better prediction accuracy. Japan is the very venerable
117 geographical area for floods, which facing an increase in water level after Typhoon. In
118 this paper, the author used various datasets. This work aims to select the most relevant
119 dataset for the ANN-based water flow forecast model [Kim et al. 2016]. The study area in
120 this paper is the Pampanga river basin. The hardware setup contains a microcontroller,
121 solar panel, ultrasonic sensor, and GSM module. A Feedforward network with
122 backpropagation is used and for optimizing the network Levenberg- Marquardt training
123 algorithm is used [Sahagun et al. 2017]. In some cases, a tree-based ML model is also
124 used to predict the sensitivity of flooded areas based on the spatial parameters [Lee et al.
125 2017]. A novel framework is design by the author to detect the flooded area and depth of
126 flood by using ML measures and a hybrid of hydraulic models. To achieve this a two-
127 dimensional hydraulic model (iRIC), calibrated by continuous water level data, is used to
128 estimate river depth by applying a two ML model to the domain for an arbitrary
129 discharge. is done to train. [Hosseiny et al. 2020]. Nowadays IoT technology is very
130 commonly used for real-time data. The author proposed IoT based approach, to cover
131 wide-area and reliability LoRaWAN method is used. For forecasting the occurrence of
132 flood GRU neural network, LASTM and ANN model is used [Mousavi et al. 2021].

133 For reducing the flood damage, An ANN is used to predict the flood in Sungai, Malaysia.
134 Three different optimization algorithms named LM, back-propagation, GD, and BR with
135 back-propagation for optimizing the ANN result. The result of the prediction of BR is
136 satisfactory [Keong et al. 2016]. Eight different ML models are implemented and their
137 results were compared. 201 flood events are included in this dataset and 10,000 were
138 randomly selected in the Haraz watershed (Iran) Non-event number. Among all models,
139 The proposed EMmedian provides a higher accuracy [Shafizadeh-Moghadam et al.
140 2018].

141 Neural network training is a very tedious task as well as computationally expensive. To
142 reduce the complexity of training time normalizes the activation of neurons. In the latest
143 research Batch normalization technique was used when training our network. The
144 efficiency of batch normalization is depending on the mini-batch size. In this paper, the
145 author uses the layer normalization concept to speed up NN training [Al Nuaimi et al.
146 2015]. In a neural network, the input of each layer depends on the output of the preceding
147 layer, a small change can lead to a big difference. The batch normalization technique is
148 used to solve this by normalizing for mini-batch. This paper is focused on BN for
149 physical buckling. The author design the CNN model with or without batch

150 normalization and tested that modal on the MNIST dataset [Chen et al. 2017]. In this
151 paper author efficiently us the concert of batch normalization for improving the speed of
152 DNN. To calculate the effectiveness of the method results are validate on CPU, GPU, and
153 Raspberry Pi. An experiment was done by using the Caffe framework by combining the
154 batch normalization and previous liner layer [Duan et al. 2018].

155 Recurrent Neural Networks (RNNs) is a very dynamic and robust sequential model and
156 can learn long-term dependencies. According to recent research, it shows that by using
157 normalization of the intermediate result of the neural network convergence rate of the
158 network is improved. In this paper, the author shows how batch normalization is used in
159 RNN. This model is applied to both speech reorganization and language modeling tasks
160 [Laurent et al. 2016]. During the training of neural network parameters of each layer are
161 change as the parameter of the previous layer is changed. In this paper, the author uses
162 the concept of internal covariant shift and solves the problem by normalizing the layer
163 input. Made use of an ensemble Network, the author tries to improve on the best-
164 published Results on ImageNet classification [Kang et al. 2017]. A DNN based spectral-
165 spatial method is used to develop a hyperspectral Image classification. Every layer of the
166 deep network uses spectral reduction as pre-processing and BN [Abbasi et al. 2019].

167 The idea of doing normalization before fusing classification scores of different levels that
168 do not contain vectors. Experiment results are it has been shown that applied technique
169 advances the learning process Better convergence and training for better neural networks
170 the indoor RGBD provides a better understanding of visuals [Hayat et al. 2017]. Some
171 standard technologies, as well as a model, are used for flood prediction are compared in
172 this paper. The author provides a brief overview that the accuracy of every model
173 depends on the different parameters [Dubey and Katarya 2020]. XGBoost and KNN are
174 also providing better results for the data of flood classification. In this paper for flood,
175 prediction the author uses various parameters such as elevation, the slope angle of that
176 geographical area, and distance from the stream network. Among both of the techniques,
177 XGBoost provides more accuracy [El-Magd et al. 2021].

178 PSO and Firefly have better results for optimizing weights for flash flood prediction
179 [Khan et al. 2020]. Nowadays it is possible to forecast the occurrence of flash floods with
180 the help of ML algorithms at the initial stage and is very helpful in minimizing the
181 casualties. In various researches approaches for flood, detection the author uses a very
182 small size dataset. So the accuracy of the model is very less. In many papers, authors
183 were used ANN, but the layers are not so much dense. So the resultant accuracy is less.

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Table 1. Comparison table various for flood prediction approaches

Paper	Dataset	Algorithm	Description	Limitations
Pyayt et al., 2011	Hyperspectral Images	Convolutional Neural Network and Principal Components Analysis(PCA)	For HSI classification this paper focuses on the PBCNN framework. PCA is used to reduce spectral dimensionality.	An increase in the number of images in the dataset can provide better accuracy
Kim et al. 2016	The dataset includes the presence of 201 floods from Iran's Mazandaran province.	Various Ensemble models were used with eight different ML models	Various Ensemble models (EM) were used with eight different ML models EMmedian resulted in the highest accuracy	Work performed on a limited data set, which leads to low model accuracy.
Saeed et al. 2018	In this paper, multiple sensor values are named as Humidity, Water Flow, Water Level.	CNN and Big data	This study IoT data IS manage using HDFS map-reduce is used. For classification Deep neural network is developed.	In the future we get more enhanced results with more sensors and less cost, it is possible to detect floods using the IoT.
Alquisola et al. 2018	Hydrodynamic parameters collected from local stations and 16 different datasets were collected from local meteorology	ANN-based prediction model	An ANN-based after-runner forecast model is developed to predict future volatility. That leads to Time (eg, 24 hours)	An increase in the number of neurons in the hidden layers and more thunderstorm events to be considered in the forecast model
Anbarasan et al. 2020	Input data meteorological and Gloves. Hydrological data obtained	Integrated Large and crowdsource data using ML techniques	The author uses various ML techniques, among them ANN, SVM and RF provides better classification accuracy	Improve the limitation is include Incorporating the Internet of Things (IoT) into the real measure Meteorological data
	A solar panel with	A nonlinear	The approach of this	The resulting

Puttinaov arat et al. 2020.	a microcontroller, GSM module, and ultrasonic sensor are used.	autoregressive network with feed-forward ANN with the Backpropagation technique is used.	paper is categorized into three parts, In this main data collection is done. then describe the hardware architecture and last is the architecture of the ANN model and predictions.	estimated flood water level matches well with the observed water levels for both the NARX and NAR models. The NARX model provides better prediction performance than the NAR model.
Mousavi et al. 2021	NASA Earth Data	Convolutional Neural Network	The experiment was done by using the Caffe framework and for CNN ResNet20, ResNet50, ResNet152, and Inception models were used	Efficient algorithms are needed to improve the training time of CNN's.
Khan et al. 2020	Multiple sensor data and Satellite images	AI and ML-based algorithms	All major AI-based algorithms, sensor-based and modeling based models for flash flood detection are discussed	The forecast is for better performance to optimize flood firefly and PSO is used in the future.
Liu et al. 2021	11 flood condition factors from the various standard dataset	SVM	The author introduced the FSCI to measure the vulnerability of floods. this is achieved by using SVM	Future studies should consider more comprehensive indicator systems, climate change factors, and higher quality flood points.
Charbuty and Abdulazez et al. 2021.	Environmental sensor data	Decision tree classifiers	In this paper, the author provides a detailed description of decision trees for classification.	The algorithm provides better accuracy if more data instances are used.

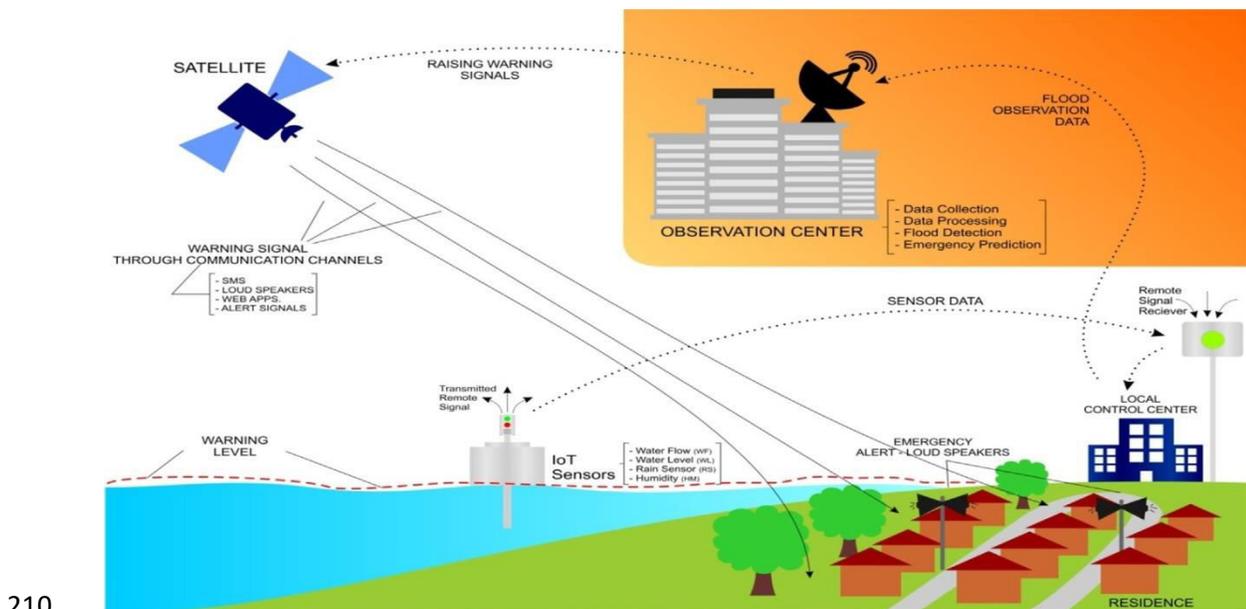
190 **The outcome of the Related Work**

191 In the above survey, we provide an overview of the various AI, ML, and DL-based
192 approaches for flood prediction as well as detection. The experiments are performed on
193 various datasets that contain environmental parameters and satellite images for
194 prediction.

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- 196 • There is limited review is on the forecasts in flesh flood. Further, novel
197 framework development is recommended.
 - 198 • All research is done on the basic ML and AI-based algorithm which provides less
199 accuracy. In the case of Deep neural networks, there is a need to add a more dense
200 hidden layer for providing better accuracy.
 - 201 • Dataset considered in various research is very small that causes the lower
202 performance of the algorithm.
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204 **3. Preliminaries for Flood disaster detection system**

205 Worldwide all the countries are concern about natural disasters. There are two types of
206 disasters, natural disasters like tsunamis, forest-fire, lightning, flood, earthquake, and also
207 landslide, and man-made disasters like leakage in gas production, leakage in an oil
208 pipeline, industrial explosion, and man-made disaster can be controlled or saved by a
209 man.



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211 Fig 1: Working of Flood Disaster Early Warning System [Saeed et al. 2018]

212 In the above figure 1 give an overview that how with help of current technologies an
213 effective Flood prediction system is designed. The proposed approach extracts various
214 features that are used to predict flooding from the climate using different types of sensors
215 and predict the probability of flooding with certain prediction algorithms. But in the case
216 of natural calamities, it is possible we only create an early prediction system to predict
217 the occurrence of the disaster so that we can take some precautions. Among all-natural
218 disasters, flood very commonly occurs in natural disasters. In this paper, we have a focus
219 on flood disaster detection systems. People will be prevented to face such a disaster from
220 early detection of disaster. Here an overview of various ML algorithms is provided.

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222 **3.1 Support Vector Machine**

223 SVM is a supervised learning algorithm that may be used to tackle regression and
224 classification tasks like SVC and SVR. Some hyperplanes may be utilized to separate
225 different data instances in SVM. Here we focus on identifying the hyperplane with the
226 largest margin, or distance between data points from both classes. The sets to
227 differentiate are usually not linearly separable in that space, even though the original
228 problem is described in a finite-dimensional space. Maximizing distance helps classify
229 data points. Also, it allows data points to be assigned to different classes. [Yan et al.
230 2017].

231 In addition, the number of features determines the hyper plane's dimension. Because
232 supervised learning is impossible when data is unlabeled, an unsupervised learning
233 method is required, in which data is spontaneously grouped into groups and new data is
234 mapped to these classes. In this approach, for generating a flood sensitivity map SVM
235 model is used based on 11 factors of flood conditions [Liu et al. 2021]. Even though the
236 initial problem is expressed in a finite-dimensional space, the sets to differentiate are
237 often not linearly separable in that space.

238 **3.2 Decision Tree**

239 The DT is one of the regularly used machine learning algorithms. It is the most popular
240 and powerful tool for data prediction and classification. DT is a kind of supervised
241 learning algorithm. Where each data instance belongs to a specific class. This structure is
242 a tree-like representation of the features of a dataset, which are represented by the
243 branches and the leaf nodes. It shows the various decisions and solutions that can be
244 derived from the dataset. This algorithm is used to build a model to identify the value of
245 the target variable. For which a tree-like structure is used where the leaf node represents
246 the class label for the corresponding problem. The internal node attributes are represented
247 by that tree. [Somvanshi et al. 2016].

248 When we talk about flood prediction systems then DT is very useful and commonly used
249 The classification algorithm is used for predicting the likelihood of floods based on the
250 collected data. It also classifies the data according to its classification. [Charbuty and
251 Abdulazeez et al. 2021].

252 **3.3 Artificial Neural Network**

253 An ANN is an ML model that draws on the principles of biological neurons. It learns and
254 uses information flow to make predictions. ANN can be classified into a feed-forward
255 (static) network and feed backward (Recurring) network. A feed-forward neural network
256 implementation performs non-linear functions of provided input. It is a nonlinear function
257 of neurons that is determined by nonlinear, bias functions and weight [Dutt et al. 2018].

258 ANN is the most generally used data processing technique. ANN has been applied in
259 most studies with significant emphasis on prediction. The author was used ANN are used
260 as a base model. Feedforward fully connected neural network is the very first neural
261 network. This consists of several layers of neurons (nodes) connected. These layers are
262 named the Output layer, Hidden layer, and Input layer. direct edges connect neurons in
263 different layers, with each edge assigned some weight that is updated during the training
264 of our network [Abiodun et al. 2019]. A fully connected feed-forward ANN is used here
265 to give early warning for prediction and to communicate to the target users. In the neural
266 network architecture, various activation functions are used in neural network architecture
267 to activate neurons ReLU is used [Subeesh et al. 2018].

268 **3.4 Deep neural network**

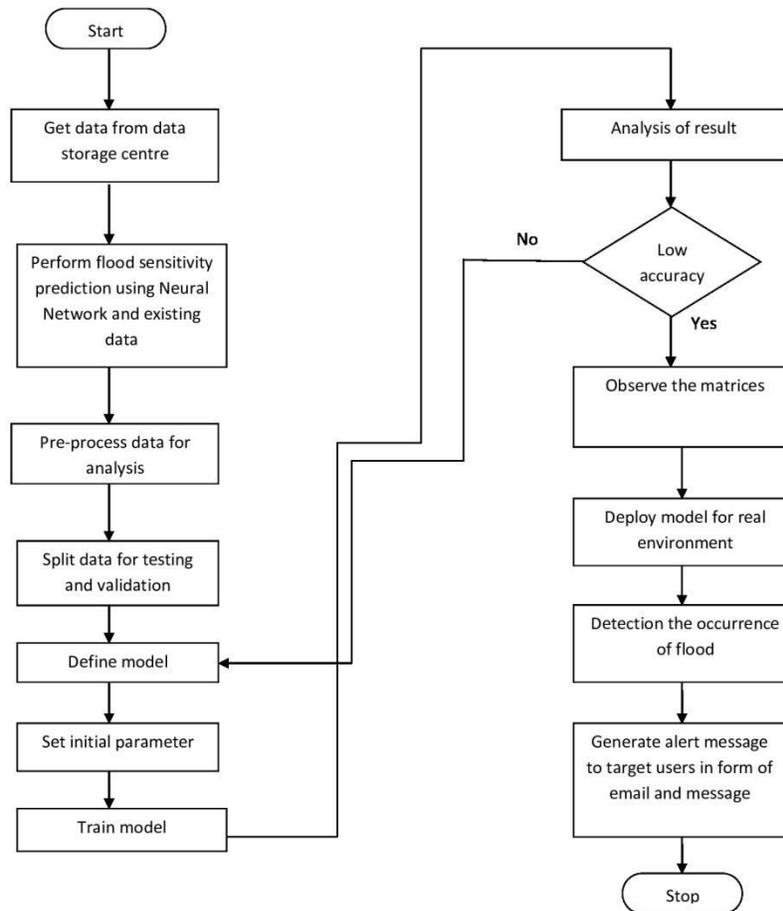
269 Since the proposal of fast learning algorithms for deep belief networks, deep learning
270 techniques have attracted ever-increasing research interest due to their inherent ability to
271 overcome the shortcomings of traditional algorithms relying on hand-designed features.
272 The basic unit of the neural network is called neurons/ perceptrons. So how neural
273 network does is work? Multiple inputs are provided to the neurons named x_1 , x_2 , etc. it
274 depends on the number of input data instances and produces output depends upon the
275 output classes [Kwasigroch et al. 2019].

276 Not only can DNNs solve a task according to an algorithm, but they can also use their
277 experience to predict its solution. [Liu et al. 2017]. DNN is a distributed system that
278 works seamlessly in multiple layers. This is beneficial when you need to use it to replace
279 human labor without compromising on its efficiency.

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4. Proposed Model



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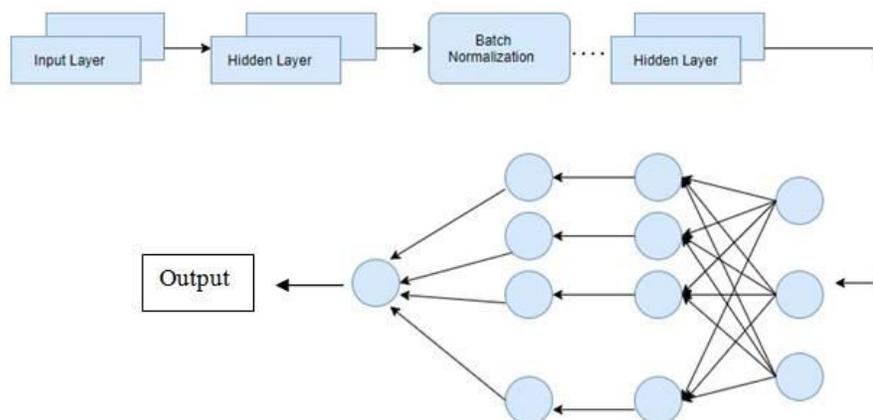
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Fig 2: Represent Flow Chart of the proposed model

285 In the above figure 2, we present a brief overview of the working of the flood detection
 286 system. We demonstrate the working of our proposed methodology. The process is
 287 started from collect data from the data storage center then we pre-process the initial data.
 288 Some techniques like ANN, DNN, and Batch Normalization are used for the
 289 classification of data. Our data is classified into three classes named 'LOW',
 290 MODERATE' and 'HIGH'. When real-time data is feed to the model then it will
 291 respond. Initially, the threshold value of each attribute is set then when the flood is cross
 292 its severity level then it sends the alert message regarding the flood to the high authorities

293 to take appropriate action. In this model, we also send the alert message to the public
294 community live near the water bodies.

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298 Fig. 3 fully connected Neural Network with Batch Normalization

299 In above figure 3, we explain the basic structure of our proposed BNDNN model for
300 flood prediction based on the severity of the rain. The first layer of our model is the input
301 layer. The number of neurons in the input layer is dependent on the data instances. The
302 next layer of our model is the Hidden layer. The normalization technique is applied
303 between the output of the first hidden layer and the input to the next hidden layer. Batch
304 Normalization normalizes the input data to the activation function of each layer by using
305 the small mini-batches. In the output layer, we use a single neuron and predict the
306 possibility of flooding outside based on rainfall.

307 In our model, to introduce non-linearity into the model ReLU activation function is used.
308 For classification, the softmax activation function is used to obtain the probability of
309 being between 0 and 1. The equation of ReLU and softmax function is given below.

310 In neural networks, the Cross-entropy loss function is used while training our network.
311 For prediction and classification, problem cross-entropy error is provide better results. It
312 predicts a class highest likelihood evaluation based on input. It is an alternative to the
313 cross-entropy loss function and the mean square error. The equation of the cross-entropy
314 loss function is given below.

315
$$H_{Y'}(Y) = -\sum_i y_i' \log(y_i) \quad (1)$$

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317 In the above equation, \hat{y}_i is the predicted probability value for class i , and y_i' is the true
318 probability for that class. $H_{Y'}(Y)$ is the loss function. The error is calculated after the
319 first iteration is complete and it spreads back to the input layer in the previous layers and
320 computes the gradient. For the learning of neural networks, back-propagation techniques
321 are used. The approach here for optimizing the neural network is called gradient descent
322 for adjusts the weight. Weight is updated according to the formula below.

323
$$\omega = \omega - \mu \nabla Q(\omega) \tag{2}$$

324 In equation 2, Q is the phase of the shape or sometimes called the learning rate. ω is the
325 weight assign to neurons. This reduces further errors. In this method stochastic gradient
326 descent method is adopted, the method adopted is based on the calculation of cost
327 gradient. For all the training data during the iteration, this process is repeated. Then our
328 network is well learned to predict the outputs for the test inputs.

329 Batch Normalization normalizes the input data to the activation function of each layer by
330 using the small mini-batches. The batch has the standard normal distribution (with
331 standard deviation is 1 and mean is 0).

332 Let us consider mini-batch is B , size of mini-batch is M (consider as entire data-set) i.e

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$$BN_{\gamma, \beta} : x_{1, \dots, m} \rightarrow y_{1, \dots, m}$$

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$$B = \{X_1, \dots, X_M\}$$

335 The Batch Normalization is

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$$BN_{\gamma, \beta} : x_{1, \dots, m} \rightarrow y_{1, \dots, m} \tag{3}$$

337 After calculating variance and mean of small-batch data we normalize it

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$$\hat{x}_i \leftarrow \frac{x_i - \mu_B}{\sqrt{\sigma_B^2 - \epsilon}} \tag{4}$$

339 μ_B is sample mean

340 σ_B^2 is sample variance

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342 Scale and shift is represented as follows

343
$$y_i \leftarrow \gamma \hat{x}_i + \beta \equiv BN_{\gamma, \beta}(x_i) \quad (5)$$

344 Where γ and β need to be calculated

345 When the mean and variance are calculated over the entire training dataset that
346 normalization increases the speed of the network. While normalizing each input of layer
347 will lose the information transferred from the previous layer.

348 In Batch Normalization, if we use to normalize the entire dataset in each training set, it is
349 not useful when we use a stochastic optimizer. So another method of normalization is
350 used. While using stochastic gradient training, in this approach each mini-batch is
351 calculated mean and variance of each activation. In this, the data used for normalization
352 can be fully used in gradient backpropagation. Consider the mini-batch B with size m, in
353 this, we applied normalization to each activation function.

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$$\mu_B \leftarrow \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m x_i \quad (6)$$

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$$\sigma_B^2 \leftarrow \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m (x_i - \mu_B)^2 \quad (7)$$

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359 This approach is used to improve the performance, and speed of ANN. It normalizes the
360 output of the input layer by re-scaling and re-centering. This allows us to be less careful
361 about higher learning rates and initialization. In BN each layer has some impact
362 according to random distribution. The input is changed during the training of the network
363 due to the randomness of data. The effect of this randomness on the input to the internal
364 layer is defined as the internal covariant shift. To resolve the issue of the internal
365 covariant shift we have to standardize every input layer. It is very time-consuming and
366 less effective. So to solve this problem batch normalization is introduced to reduce the
367 internal covariant shift.

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372 **5. Result and Discussion**

373 **5.1 Data collection**

374 The main thing to design a flood natural disaster prediction system is to need a huge
375 dataset to process and generate the result; data is a very important part of any prediction
376 model. Data can be used in any format such as images, videos, etc. For forecasting, data
377 collected from any source sensor, satellite, the video camera is used. A large area of India
378 is a flood-prone region as most of the human communities are located in nearby rivers.
379 Therefore, they face floods for the maximum time during the rainy season. India is very
380 suitable for flood detection. Following this, many of the states and union territories of
381 India were facing major floods.

382 By doing this, it was found that Bihar has the highest risk of floods in the country.
383 According to International Water Management Institute (IWMI), every year 73 percent of
384 the total surface gets submerged. In Orissa to the frequency of flood events was very
385 high. So we include two main states of India, Bihar, and Orissa for our system. Since
386 Bihar and Orissa are both very large states, districts in these two states is 38 and 30
387 respectively, we select the ten most flood-prone cities from each state. For our prediction
388 system, we use a standard dataset that includes parameters like minimum temperature,
389 maximum temperature, precipitation; vapor pressure along with this parameter year, the
390 month is also included in the dataset. We have considered over fifteen years between
391 January to December.

392 **5.2 Confusion matrix**

393 The confusion matrix is a type of binary classifier that can be any size depends upon the
394 number of different classes/ labels. Here the size of the matrix is (3X3) as we divide our
395 data into three classes Low, Moderate and High. This is a table with four different
396 combinations of estimated and actual values. These combinations are TP, FP, TN, and
397 FN.

398 TP = true positive

399 FP = false positive

400 TN = true negative

401 FN = false negative

402 Where TP and TN denote the number of samples correctly classified the severity of the
403 flood respectively. FP and FN denote the number of samples that have been incorrectly
404 classified based on the severity of flood events.

405 In our paper, all four values of TP, FP, TN, and FN are extremely useful for calculating
406 the various parameters named Precision, Recall, F1-score, and accuracy.

407

408 **5.2.1 Precision**

409 Precision is calculated as the fraction of correctly identifies instances among all instances
410 which are identified as positive, which means how many instances are positive. For better
411 results precision should be high. Precision is calculated using the following formula

$$412 \quad \text{Precision} = \frac{TP}{TP+FP} \quad (10)$$

413 High precision requires a low FN rate and a low FP rate.

414 **5.2.2 Recall**

415 The Recall is a metric that measures the number of true positive predictions made from
416 all positive predictions that could have been made. The percentage of the total positive is
417 estimated to be positive. It is similar to TPR (true positive rate). For unbalanced learning,
418 recall is typically used to measure minority class coverage. In our model or algorithm, we
419 focus on the high recall value. The recall is calculated using the following formula

$$420 \quad \text{Recall} = \frac{TP}{TP+FN} \quad (11)$$

421 High precision requires a low FN rate and a low FP rate.

422 **5.2.3 F1-score**

423 F1-score is a matrix; the accuracy and recall of both the values are needed to calculate the
424 F1-score. It is a harmonic average of recall and precision wherein the best-case F1 value
425 is 1 and in the worst case, the F1 value is 0. To calculate F1-score following formula is
426 used

$$427 \quad \text{F1-score} = 2 * \frac{\text{Precision} * \text{Recall}}{\text{Precision} + \text{Recall}} \quad (12)$$

428 **5.2.4 Accuracy**

429 Based on the confusion, matrix, for calculating the accuracy of the ratio of the correctly
430 predicting instances to the total instances in the dataset. The formula to calculate
431 accuracy is given below

$$432 \quad \text{Accuracy} = \frac{TP+TN}{TP+FP+TN+FN} \quad (13)$$

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435 5.3 Analysis of the result

436 In this section, we have shown the accuracy, precision, F-score, and Recall of our
 437 proposed model and some other machine learning algorithms and compare their results.
 438 For this, we collect data from data storage then pre-processed the data to feed to our
 439 network. Here we have trained five models and machine learning algorithms named SVM,
 440 DT, ANN, DNN, and our proposed model DNN with Batch Normalization (BNDNN).
 441 We divide the dataset into training, validation, and testing categories. From the dataset
 442 70% of data is used for training the model 15% is used for validation and 15% is used for
 443 testing. According to the severity of the flood, data is divided into three classes named as
 444 Low, Moderate, and High chance of flood.

445 Table 1 Cooperative tabulation of Proposed Model (BNDNN), SVM, DT,
 446 ANN and DNN

Model/ Algorithm		Precision	Recall	F1-score
SVM	Low	90	70	85
	Moderate	76	87	83
	High	77	90	87
	Accuracy	83		
DT	Low	93	76	82
	Moderate	75	92	80
	High	73	87	83
	Accuracy	80		
ANN	Low	92	98	79
	Moderate	70	94	82
	High	75	89	85
	Accuracy	82		
DNN	Low	95	72	83
	Moderate	94	97	87
	High	78	82	91
	Accuracy	84		
Proposed Model (BNDNN)	Low	98	80	89
	Moderate	81	99	92
	High	84	95	94
	Accuracy	89		

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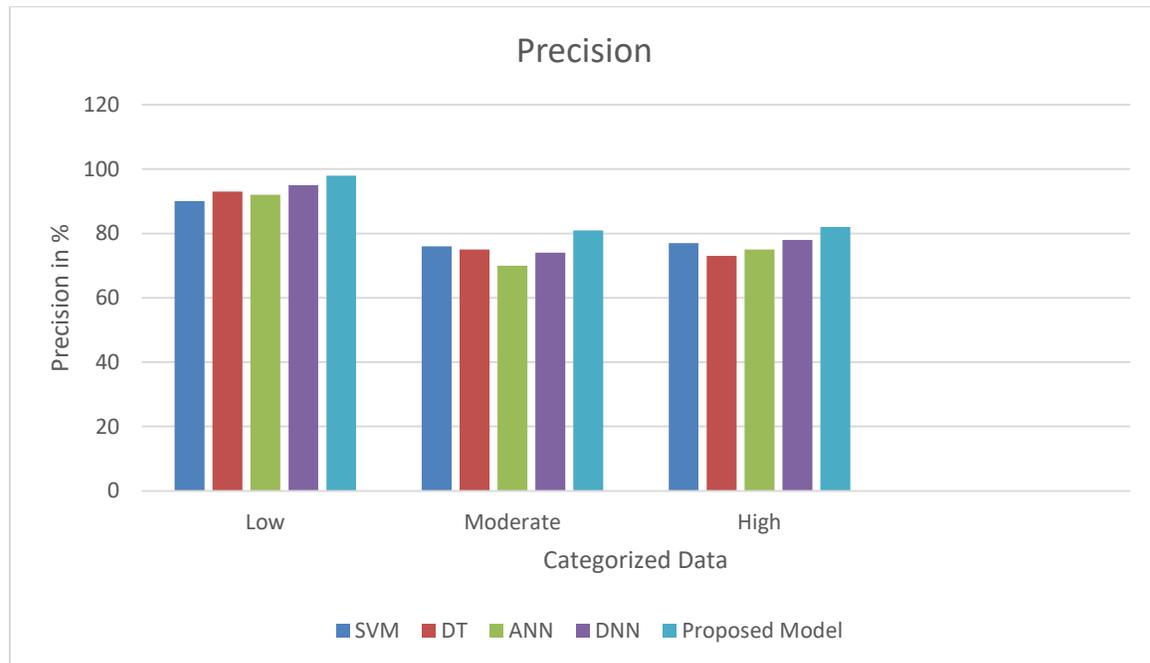
448 In the above table 1, we have compared the four existing models and ML algorithms such
 449 as ANN, DNN, SVM, and DT with our proposed model. The comparison is done based
 450 on the parameter like F1-score, recall, precision, and accuracy of the models. Here we
 451 calculate the F1-score, recall, and precision for all the three classes of every technique
 452 and at the end, we calculate the accuracy of the model and algorithm. Based on the above

453 comparison, we say that the proposed model in this paper Batch Normalization with
454 Neural Network (BNDNN) is performing better. We get higher accuracy with our model.

455 **5.5 Performance Analysis**

456 Here the BNDNN is performed better in comparison to SVM, DT, ANN, and DNN on
457 the dataset collected from the data storage center. Based on the above comparison, we say
458 that the proposed model in this paper Batch Normalization with Neural Network
459 (BNDNN) is performing better. We get higher accuracy with our model. In this section,
460 we discuss the graphical representation and identify that which machine learning
461 algorithms such as ANN, SVN, DT, DNN, and our proposed model BNDNN are
462 predicting the severity of the flood. Before the result, we provide a brief overview of
463 performance metrics and parameters such as precision, recall, F1-score, and accuracy
464 used for the analysis of the result.

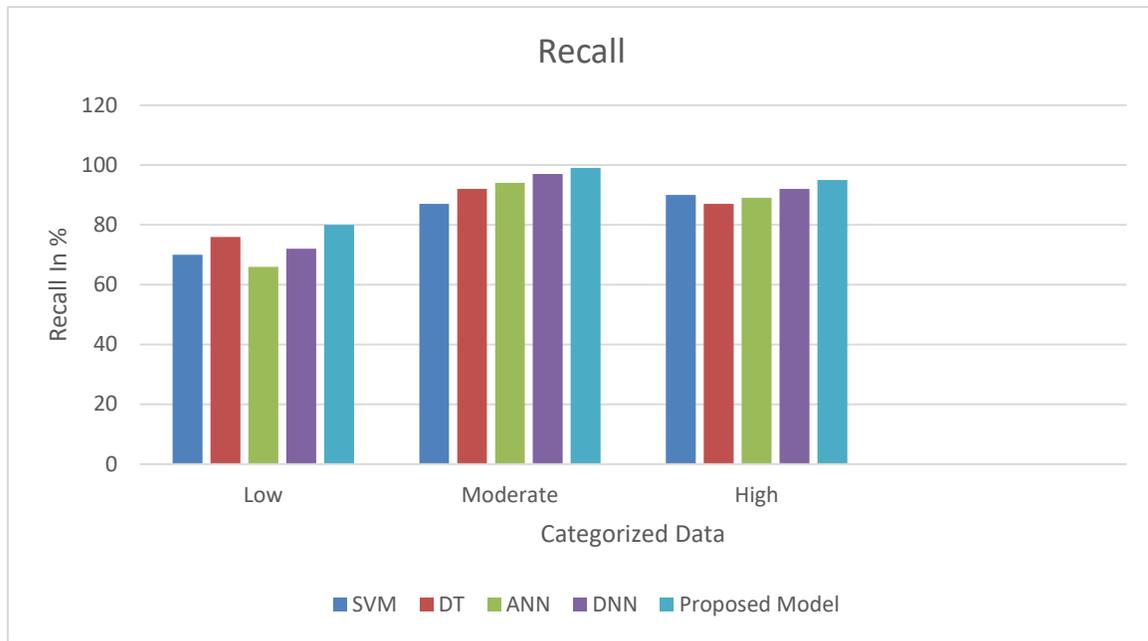
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467 Fig. 4 Graph between Categorized data and Precision of SVM, DT, ANN, DNN, and
468 Proposed Model

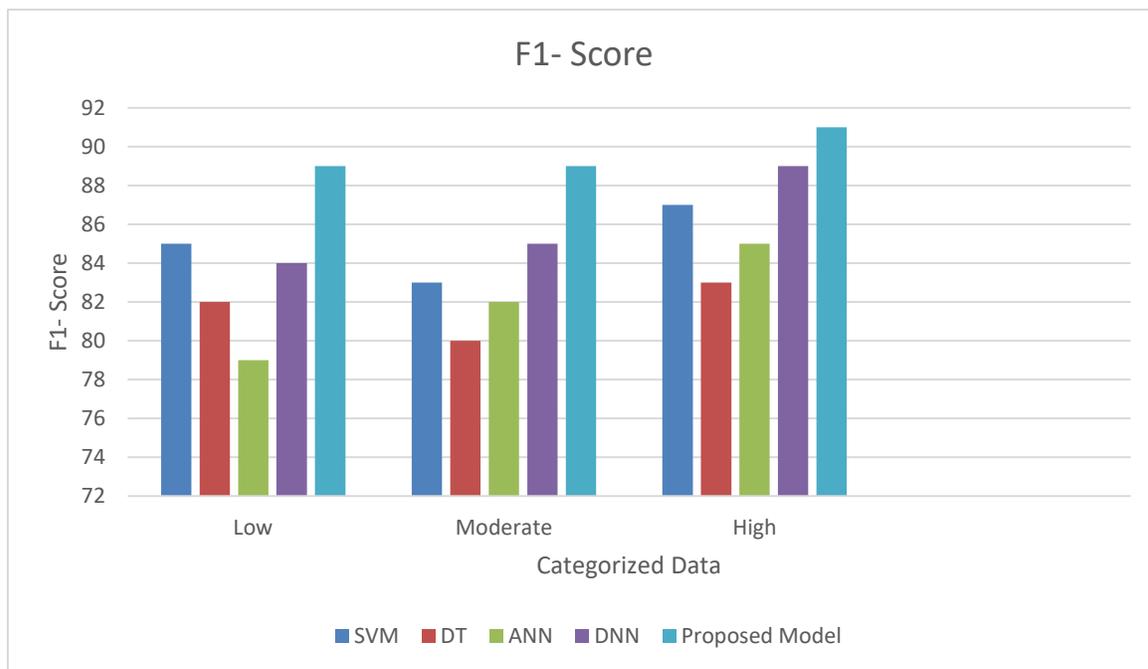
469 In the above figure 4, a graphical representation for the precision of various machine
470 learning algorithms and our proposed model. The performance of each model varies in
471 each data class but our proposed model BNDNN performs better in each case.



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473 Fig. 5 Graph between Categorized data and Recall of SVM, DT, ANN, DNN, and
 474 Proposed Model

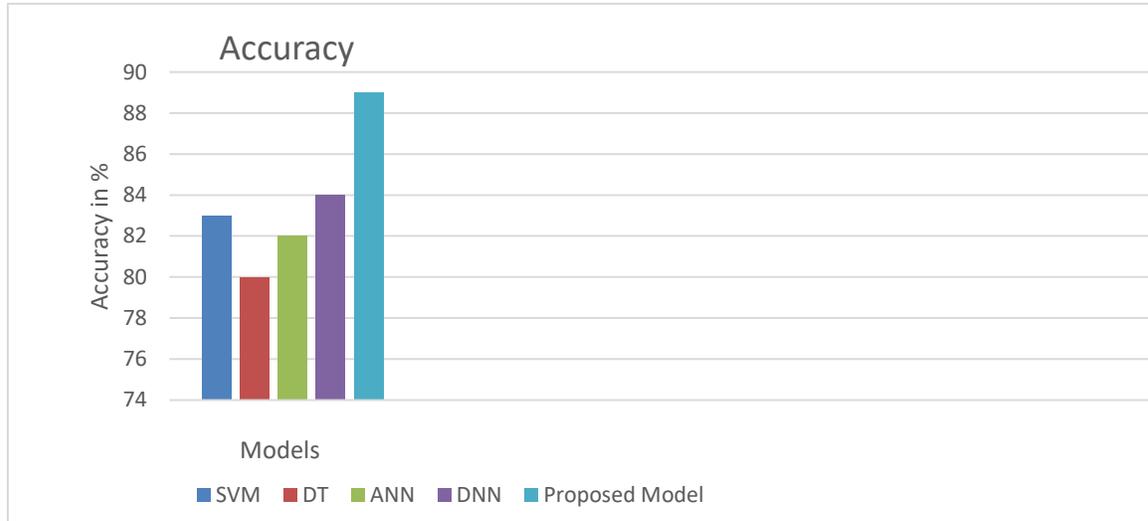
475 In the above figure 5, we represent the graphical comparison for the precision of various
 476 machine learning algorithms and our proposed model. Our proposed model BNDNN
 477 provides better prediction for all data classes.



478

479 Fig. 6 Graph between Categorized data and F1-score of SVM, DT, ANN, DNN, and
 480 Proposed Model

481 In the above figure 6, the graphical representation for the F1-score of various machine
482 learning algorithms and our proposed model is provided. Other machine learning models
483 are performing poorly in each class. Our proposed model BNDNN provides far better
484 results than the rest of the model.



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486 Fig. 7 Graph between Model Accuracy score of SVM, DT, ANN, DNN, and Proposed
487 Model

488 In the above figure 7, The graphical representation of the accuracy of various machine
489 learning models and our BNDNN proposed model is provided. As a result, our proposed
490 model provides 89% accuracy which is the highest of all accuracy. DNN with 84%
491 accuracy outperforms SVM with 83% accuracy. ANN provides 82% accuracy while DT
492 provides very low 80% accuracy.

493 It is visible after analyzing the result based on various parameters that our proposed
494 model (BNDNN) provides better accuracy than other algorithms. The rest of the
495 parameters such as precision, recall, and F1-score are also providing better resultant value
496 as compared to other algorithms. For an efficient model or algorithm, the value of
497 precision and recall should be high. The value of the F1-score depends on the precision
498 and recall value, so higher precision and recall give better results.

499 6. Conclusion and Future Scope

500 We cannot control human-made disasters because they are unpredictable. To control, we
501 need human awareness and seriousness in human labor disasters. But in case of a natural
502 disaster like flood, fire, cyclone, etc., we can warn people about their occurrence with
503 previous experience and generate a vigilance system with the help of currently available
504 technologies, so that we save diversity can. In this paper, we used a neural network for
505 the prediction of the flood. In this paper, we present a new approach with the vast

506 capability of recent technologies like DNN combine with batch normalization for the
507 implementation of an effective flood detection system that can combat flood natural
508 disasters.

509 Our proposed model works on the concept of batch normalization technique. We
510 compare our proposed model with SVM, DT, ANN, and DNN models. We train our
511 model on the standard dataset. We compare our model based on the parameter like
512 accuracy, precision, recall, F1-score. The accuracy of SVM is 83%, DT is 80%, ANN is
513 82% and DNN is 84% respectively. Whereas our proposed model (BNDNN) stores 89%
514 accuracy higher than all other approaches. After comparison on the above parameter, we
515 can conclude that our proposed model gives more accuracy than other models used for
516 prediction. In the future, if we use more environmental parameters the there is a chance to
517 achieve higher accuracy. Also if we combine other models and develop a hybrid model
518 for flood prediction then also we get better accuracy.

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