# A Survey on Emotion Recognition Using CNN

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**Abstract** - Many automated system applications, such as robotics, artificial intelligence, and security rely heavily on face expression recognition. Accurately recognising facial expressions can be quite difficult for machines. It has a wide range of applications in the areas of training, online business, health, and security. This study examines a variety of CNNbased face expression recognition systems. It comprises methods proposed by various researchers. The study also demonstrates how to use CNN for FER. This paper also examines CNN-based techniques and problems to consider when deciding whether or not to use CNN to solve FER.)

**Key Words:** CNN, FER, Emotion Recognition, Survey, Deep learning

## **1. INTRODUCTION**

One of the important ways humans interact is through facial expressions. In humans this ability is highly developed. Today, computers are used to automate everything. Developing the ability for computers to recognize emotions is a very popular subject. Emotion recognition can be very useful in marketing research, academics, robotics and security.

This paper survey focuses on models that are aimed at real-time facial emotion recognition as static emotion recognition is not very useful. A study on various feelings of humans put forward by Darwin stated that a human's face is a significant factor on how humans communicate **[1]**. The six basic emotions which Ekman et al proposed are Fear, Disgust, Anger, Happiness, Sorrow and Surprised **[2]**. CNN, which is part of the Deep Learning system, may be used to learn facial expressions. The features like ears, eyes, mouth and hair play an important part in achieving the outcome. The extraction of face traits reduces the amount of time and resources required for the procedure without sacrificing important information.

For this, task deep learning methods are used which has hidden layers and classification layers. Hidden layers are also called feature extraction layer. Hidden layer consists of convolution layer followed by pooling layer used for feature extraction. This is followed by classification part.

### 2. TRADITIONAL APPROACH

Most papers have proposed their research using MLP (Multi-layer Perceptron Model), SVM (Support vector machine) and KNN (K-Nearest Neighbors). The difference between these traditional methods and CNN is that in old

methods features need to be extracted manually whereas CNN learns these features to detect an emotion.

#### **3. DATASET**

There are various datasets available online for different purposes. The most commonly used dataset was FER-2013 with almost 30,000 images. FER-2013 has 7 categories. (Sad, angry, happy, surprise, disgust, neutral, fear)

#### 4. PRE- PROCESSING

Images come in a range of sizes and colors. They also come from different sources. All adjustments on the raw data before it is input to the machine learning or deep learning algorithm are referred to as preprocessing. Sometimes, the data quantity we have is not sufficient to perform classification. We use data augmentation to solve that problem. Data augmentation can be done by flipping, rotating, adding noise, cropping, etc.

### **5. CNN ARCHITECHTURE**

After pre-processing the data, it is fed into CNN model. CNN is a deep learning algorithm; it is different from machine learning languages as it has hidden layers for image processing. It involves convolution operations. CNN has two main layers 1, Hidden layers 2. Fully connected layers. Hidden layers are used for feature extraction. Hidden layers also have two layers, convolution and pooling layers. The first layer is convolution layer. It is used to extract features from the input images. A filter of size NXN glides over the input image and a dot product is taken of that area. The output that is stored is called feature map feature. Pooling layer is followed by fully connected layers. The output from all the previous layers is flattened and fed into fully connected layer. This layer usually comes before output. In this layer classification process begins. To avoid overfitting, i.e., when a model works so well on training data that it has negative impact on testing data, we use dropout layers. Dropout layers drop nodes from the neural network randomly. Activation is the last component used to increase non-linearity of the output. Mainly, ReLu function is used in CNN. This function returns 0 if your value is negative or returns the same value you gave if it is between 0 to infinity.by pooling layer. The aim of this layer is to reduce size of the feature. Convolution layer is followed map which reduces computational cost and time. Max pooling takes the max value from the filter as the output whereas average pooling calculates the average. It reduces the size of the feature map without losing any important



Name	Researcher	Dataset	Samples	Model	Result
Facial Emotion	Pranav E. et	Manually	2550	CNN	78.04%
Recognition Using	al.	collected using 48			
Neural Network		MP camera			
Facial Expression	Shekhar Singh	FFR-2013	35 887	CNN	75 25%
Recognition with	et al.	1 ER 2015	55,007		75.2570
Convolutional Neural					
Networks					
Emotion recognition	D. Y. Liliana	CK+	10,708	CNN	92.81%
from facial expression					
using deep					
convolutional neural					
Learners Mood	Rosa Ariani et	Manually	220	CNN	76.66%
Detection Using	al.	collected	220	CIVIN	/ 0.00 /0
Convolutional Neural		conceleu			
Network (CNN)					
Facial expression	Jiawei Luan et	FER-2013	35,887	R-CNN	69.69%
recognition using	al.				
convolutional neural					
network with					
weighted loss function		CEEW 2.0	1005	CNN	01.000/
Research on Face	weiran Hua et	SFEW 2.0	1/65	CNN	81.33%
Based on Improved	dl.				
Faster R-CNN					
Facial Expression	Ruhi Jaiswal	FER-2013	35,887	CNN	66%
Classification Using			,		
Convolution Neural					
Networking and Its					
Applications					6004
Facial Emotion	Akash	FER-2013	35,887	CNN	60%
Convolutional Noural	Sarvanan et al.				
Networks					
Facial Expression	K Liu ae al.	FER-2013	35 887	CNN	65.03%
Recognition with CNN			55,007	GIVIT	00.0070
Ensemble					
Facial Expression	M. Viraj et al.	CFEE	1610		74.79%
Recognition using				CNN	
Visual Saliency and		RaFD	1407		95.71%
Deep Learning					
Going deeper in facial	А.	MMI	1280	CNN	77.90%
expression	Mollahosseini		videos		
recognition using deep	et al.	DISFA	4845		55.00%
neural networks			video		
			frames		
		FERA	289		76.7%
		SFEW	663		47.7%



## 6. Analysis

The above table shows analysis of the previous papers. After analysis, we found that we need only one or two CNN layers for full frontal face images as they are not very complicated. Then, it is followed by pooling layers. Mostly, max pooling layer is used. All these layers are followed by fully connected layers which contains neurons.

More complicated images require 3 to 6 layers followed by pooling layers. But these pooling layers are not placed after each convolution layer. Pooling layers are mostly followed after two convolution layers. This is done so that the model can learn the features before its size is reduced. More layers lead to more parameters. This can be fixed by introducing dropout layers. This layer randomly drops neurons. This also reduces the risk of overfitting.

## 7. CONCLUSION

In this paper we have surveyed the effectiveness of CNN on facial expression recognition. We have also highlighted the difference between traditional architecture and CNN. Traditional architecture is more complicated, time consuming and less accurate as compared to CNN.

We have also compared previous research paper to understand the most useful CNN architecture and dataset.

From our survey we have concluded that a smaller number of layers and parameters are required for full frontal images. Whereas, a greater number of layers is required for more complicated images.

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