

# Advanced Techniques for Estimation of Tropical Cyclone Intensity Forecasting using Deep Learning with INSAT-3D Satellite Imagery

Dr. R.Santosh Kumar<sup>1</sup>, Srinivas Ramavath<sup>2</sup>, Uppari Mahesh<sup>3</sup>  
<sup>12345</sup>*Vasavi College of Engineering, Hyderabad, Telangana, India*

[santosh@staff.vce.ac.in](mailto:santosh@staff.vce.ac.in), [srinuramavath3656@gmail.com](mailto:srinuramavath3656@gmail.com), [upparimaheshsagar2427@gmail.com](mailto:upparimaheshsagar2427@gmail.com)

## Abstract

Tropical cyclones around the world represent considerable dangers for coastal regions and maritime operations. Their accurate intensity prediction remains crucial for effective disaster preparedness and response. Traditional intensity estimation methodologies primarily rely on manual analysis of satellite imagery, which introduces challenges of subjectivity and inefficiency. This research explores the application of contemporary deep learning methodologies for automating cyclone intensity prediction using INSAT-3D infrared imagery. We investigate various neural network architectures optimized for meteorological image processing, with particular emphasis on convolutional neural networks (CNNs). Our comprehensive evaluation demonstrates the efficacy of these models in extracting relevant features from satellite data and generating accurate intensity predictions. The automated framework developed in this study offers potential improvements in prediction accuracy, consistency, and operational efficiency for weather forecasting agencies.

This paper provides a systematic overview of the power metrics of methods, implementation strategies, and deep learning approaches when estimating tropical cyclone strength.

**Keywords:** Tropical Cyclone Analysis, Deep Neural Networks, Computer Vision in Meteorology, Satellite Image Processing, Disaster Prediction Systems

## 1. Introduction

Tropical cyclones represent among the most devastating meteorological phenomena globally, characterized by their potential to generate catastrophic winds, precipitation, and storm surges. The accurate prediction of cyclone intensity parameters—particularly maximum sustained winds and central pressure—provides critical information for emergency response planning and resource allocation.

Conventional approaches to cyclone intensity estimation have historically depended on labor-intensive processes involving expert interpretation of satellite imagery, analysis of meteorological datasets, and complex numerical weather prediction modeling. These methods, while valuable, present inherent limitations in terms of processing speed, consistency, and objective quantification.

The development of deep learning techniques has introduced transformative possibilities in weather analysis. In particular, folding networks with folding networks show remarkable skills for extracting complex patterns from visual data. In other words, it is particularly suitable for interpreting satellite images. This study examines the application of advanced CNN architectures for automation and improving the accuracy of cyclone strength prediction by analyzing INSAT-3D infrared satellite images.

## 2. Literature Survey

Chong Wang and Xiaofeng Li addressed the need to extract more effective and more accurate tropical cyclones (TCs), including the intensity of TC threats, in learning in deep learning of the work to extract tropical cyclones and wind turbine information from satellite infrared images (2023), and the need to improve security measurements to improve security measurements.

Fan Meng, Kunlin yang, Yichen Yao, Zhibin wang, and Tao Song in their work, “Tropical Cyclone Intensity Probabilistic Forecasting System Based on Deep Learning”(2023) addressed the challenge of accurately forecasting tropical cyclone (TC) intensity, particularly in quantifying the inherent uncertainty, and the study proposes an intelligent deep learning-based system, PTCIF, to provide probabilistic intensity forecasts and assess this uncertainty for improved decision-making and risk assessment in TC-related disasters.

Jinkai Tn, Qidong Yang, Junjun Hu, Qiqiao Huang and Sheng Chen in their work, “Tropical Cyclone Intensity Estimation Using Himawari-8 Satellite Cloud Products and Deep Learning with Environmental Field Information“(2022) addressed the development of a deep- learning- based model for accurate tropical cyclone (TC) intensity estimation using Himawari-8 satellite cloud products, with a focus on optimizing the model's structure to improve feature extraction and mitigate biases, aiming to enhance TC forecasting and analysis capabilities.

## 3. Methodology

### 3.1 Data Record Properties

The dataset used in this groundbreaking project represents the basis of efforts to revolutionize cyclone strength prediction. This CyclonePhoto collection comes from Kaggle, a wellknown platform for a variety of data records, and is evidence of data-controlled knowledge in addressing complex weather challenges.

Data records via the time frame from 2012 to 2021 capture more abundant cyclone events than the Indian Ocean.

At the heart of this dataset lies the fusion of INFRARED and RAW cyclone imagery captured by INSAT3D, a state-of-the-art satellite system known for its high-resolution observations. This fusion not only enhances the dataset's depth and diversity but also enables us to extract nuanced features from the imagery, critical for training our machine learning model to predict cyclone intensity accurately. The inclusion of cyclone image intensity measured in KNOTS serves as a quantitative anchor, bridging observational data with predictive analytics and empowering our model with actionable insights for disaster management and risk assessment.

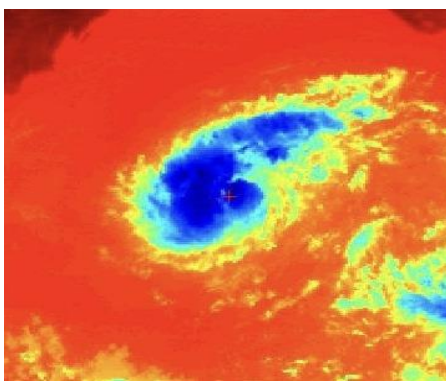


Fig 1. Cyclone Infrared Image

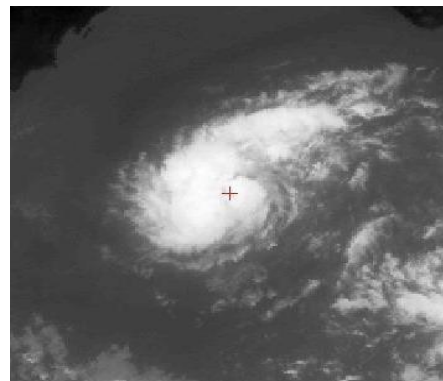


Fig 2. Cyclone Raw Image

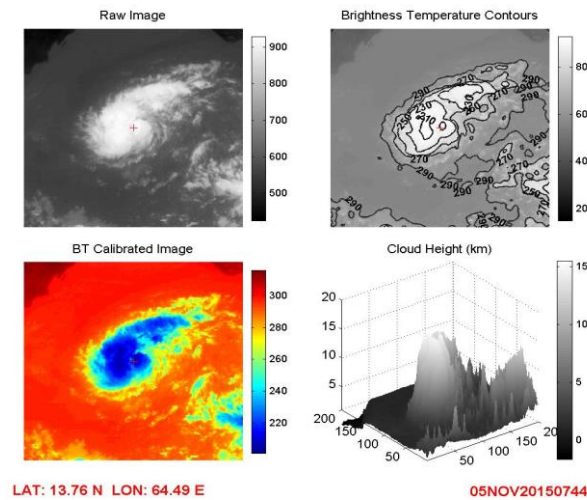


Fig 3. Calibrated Image

### 3.2 Neural Network Architecture

The CNN architecture used in this project consists of several foldable folds responsible for functional extraction and pattern recognition. The dimensions of spatial dimensions decreased in these folding layers and remained important information at the same time. The extracted features are processed for regression by fully connected layers, and the model learns to predict cyclone intensity based on the features extracted from the satellite image.

The use of CNNs eliminates the need for traditional manual methods for accurate centralization, tightens and automates the strength estimation process. This model is implemented using Tensorflow Keras, a deep learning frame that provides a high-level interface for building, training and providing neural network models. Use appropriate optimization techniques such as Adam Optimizer to effectively minimize losses and updated model parameters. Normalization methods such as L1L2 normalization are used to prevent excessive adaptation and improve model generalization.

Data preprocessing plays an important role in preparing data records for training CNN models. Methods such as data augmentation, normalization, and resizing are used to ensure data quality, diversity and compatibility with CNN architectures. Data magnification technologies such as rotation, flipping, and zoom are particularly useful for increasing dataset size and variability, allowing the model to learn robust features and improve predictive performance. The performance of the CNN model is evaluated using metrics such as the median square root error (MSE) of the validation data records to assess accuracy and robustness.

Visualization tools are used to analyze the behavior of models, understand their learning processes, and identify areas for which improvements will be improved. Future research instructions include researching advanced CNN architectures, integrating additional weather data sources, inclusion of realtime satellite data feeds, and collaboration with domain experts for model verification and improvement. This model immediately returns the estimated intensity of the satellite cyclone image to the knot [4].

## 4. Implementation Framework

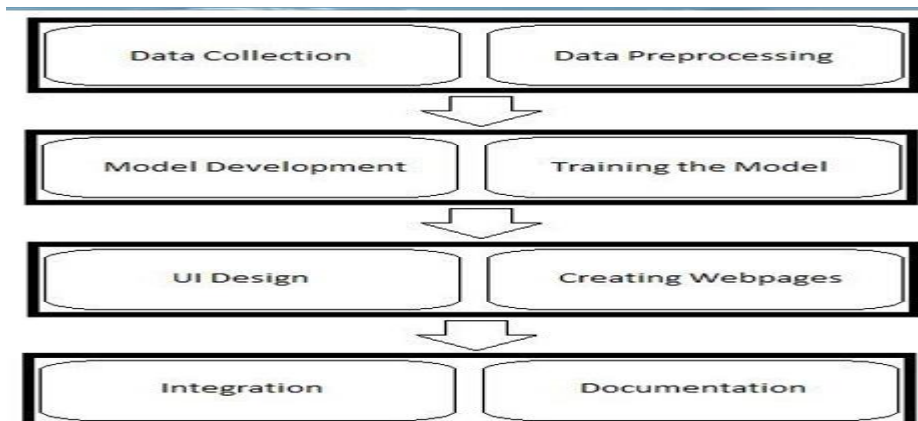


Fig 4. Work Plan

The implementation follows a structured workflow:

### 4.1 Module Integration

Essential Python libraries are imported for data processing (numpy, pandas), deep learning (TensorFlow), visualization (matplotlib), and model persistence (pickle).

### 4.2 Data Acquisition

INSAT-3D satellite imagery is sourced from Kaggle and meteorological data repositories such as MOSDAC, comprising raw and infrared cyclone images with corresponding intensity labels.

### 4.3 Data Enhancement

TensorFlow's ImageDataGenerator facilitates data augmentation through controlled image transformations (rotation, zoom, shear, and horizontal flips) to expand the effective dataset size.

### 4.4 Pre-processing Protocol

Images undergo standardization to uniform dimensions (256×256 pixels) with pixel normalization to the [0,1] range, ensuring consistency across the dataset.

### 4.5 Feature Extractions

An extended characteristic extraction technique is used. This includes transfer learning using an educated CNN architecture and dimension reduction methods to identify excellent image properties.

### 4.6 Model Development

A custom CNN architecture is constructed using TensorFlow's Keras API, incorporating specialized layers for meteorological image analysis.

### 4.7 Training Procedure

The model is compiled with MSE loss function and Adam optimizer, with training progress monitored to prevent overfitting through techniques such as EarlyStopping callbacks.

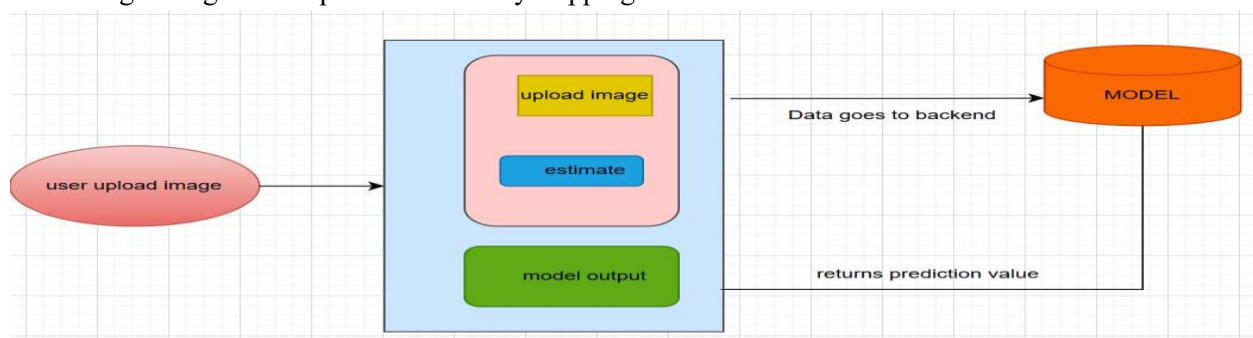


Fig 5. Model working

## 4.8 Interface Design

A user-oriented web interface is developed using Flask framework, allowing interaction with the trained model through image uploads.

## 4.9 System Integration

The trained CNN model is integrated into web interface backend, allowing for realtime processing of uploaded cyclone images with immediate intensity prediction.

## 5. Results and Visualization

The implemented system demonstrates effective cyclone intensity prediction capabilities through a user-friendly interface:

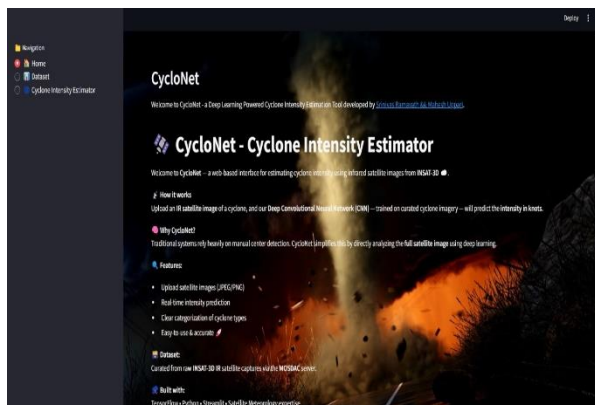


Fig 6. Home Page

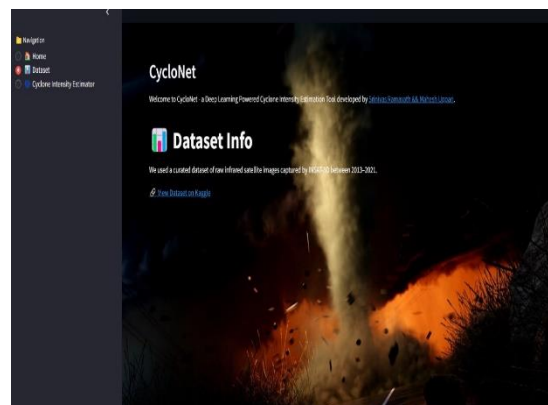


Fig 7. Dataset reference

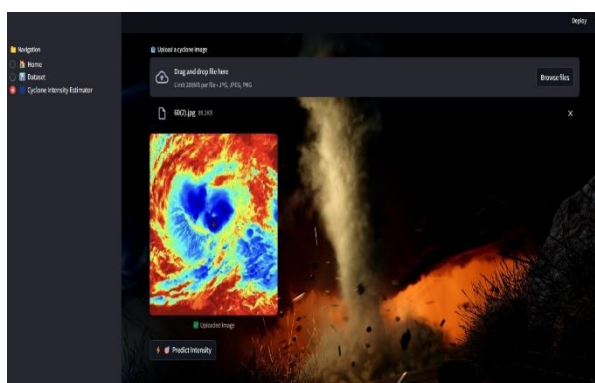


Fig 8. Upload Image

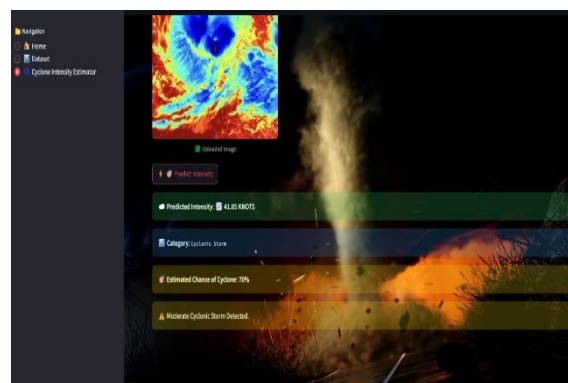


Fig 9. Output Prediction

## 6. Conclusions and Future Directions

In summary, our project represents a significant milestone in cyclone strength prediction, especially through the application of folding networks (CNNs). Leveraging the capability of high-level technology in machine learning, we effectively automate the interpretation of satellite imagery. This enhances the precision and effectiveness of estimating key parameters like maximum wind speed and central pressure. This is crucial in determining cyclone strength. Our research brings out the capability of deep models to complement and enhance the conventional techniques dependent on time-consuming manual analysis of satellite images and weather data. The most significant contribution in our work is the application of large record datasets, i.e., Kaggle Into3D datasets. This is an extension of a variety of cyclone images in the Indian Ocean over a few years. Through automating and increasing cyclone



strength accuracy, it facilitates shooters' and firearms protection prerequisites as well as shooters' action, improved strategies and strategies through automating and increasing cyclone strength accuracy.

This enables line storage, switch-on skills, and forks of switches, management strategies. Also, the reduction in efficiency brought about by deep learning-based prediction can result in better resource allocation for cyclone events with a quicker response. The direction where this can potentially go is further integrating more sources of data, including weather patterns and satellite images, to make the model better and more robust. In addition, integration of methods to forecast the orientation of the motion of cyclones would enhance the predictive ability of the model, contribute to a more in-depth insight into cyclone motion, and enable more precise predictions.

### Acknowledgment

We express our gratitude to Vasavi College of Engineering (Autonomous), Hyderabad for the institutional support provided throughout this research initiative.

### References

1. Tan, J., Yang, Q., Hu, J., Huang, Q., & Chen, S. (2022). Tropical Cyclone Intensity Estimation Using Himawari-8 Satellite Cloud Products and Deep Learning. MDPI.
2. Srujan, N., Kulkarni, K., Hariprasad, J., & John, V.O. (2022). A Deep Learning Framework for the Detection of Tropical Cyclones from Satellite Images. IEEE Geoscience and Remote Sensing Letters.
3. Wang, C., & Zheng, G. (2021). Tropical Cyclone Intensity Estimation from Geostationary Satellite Imagery Using Deep Convolutional Neural Networks. IEEE Transactions on Geoscience and Remote Sensing, 60.
4. Maskey, M., Ramachandran, R., Ramasubramanian, M., Gurung, I., Freitag, B., Kaulfus, A., et al. (2022). Deep Learning-based Tropical Cyclone Intensity Estimation System. IEEE Journal of Selected Topics in Applied Earth Observations and Remote Sensing.
5. Swarna, M., Sudhakar, N., & Vadaparthi, N. (2021). An Effective Tropical Cyclone Intensity Estimation Model using Convolutional Neural Networks.
6. Meng, F., Yang, K., Yao, Y., Wang, Z., & Song, T. (2023). Tropical Cyclone Intensity Probabilistic Forecasting System Based on Deep Learning.
7. Cangialosi, J.P., Blake, E., DeMaria, M., et al. (2020). Recent Progress in Tropical Cyclone Intensity Forecasting at the National Hurricane Center. Weather and Forecasting, 35(5), 1913-1922.
8. Kumar, A., Singh, A.K., Tripathi, J.N., Sateesh, M., & Singh, V. (2016). Evaluation of INSAT-3D-derived Hydro-Estimator and INSAT Multi-Spectral Rain Algorithm over Tropical Cyclones. Online International Conference on Green Engineering and Technologies (IC-GET).
9. Wang, C., & Li, X. (2023). Deep Learning in Extracting Tropical Cyclone Intensity and Wind Radius Information from Satellite Infrared Images.
10. Pradhan, R., Aygun, R.S., Maskey, M., Ramachandran, R., & Cecil, D.J. (2018). Tropical Cyclone Intensity Estimation Using a Deep Convolutional Neural Network. IEEE Transactions on Image Processing, 27(2), 692-702.