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HUMAN MENTAL HEALTH AND EMOTION DETECTION THROUGH INTELLIGENT SYSTEM BASED ON MMS (MULTIMODAL SYSTEM) TECHNIQUE

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ABSTRACT

Artificial Intelligence (AI) for the analysis and understanding of human emotions is a practical study and proves to be effective and applicative in real world. The study used AI technologies including machine learning, natural language processing, affective computing to reach 85 average accuracy in expressing emotional state using multimodal methods involving facial expression, vocal tone and physiological signal. Results show that multimodal methods achieve an accuracy of 15% better than single modal methods. Furthermore, AI driven systems demonstrated impressive abilities in mental health diagnostics, as shown by a case study showing a 20% increase in the early alarm of the emotional stress. But the research also explained the factors that prevention disability from his model and how privacy concerns impeded deployment. The findings thus highlight the need for context aware models and secure ethical frameworks to address shortcomings of AI's emotions. In future work, these challenges are addressed and refined AI driven solutions to more reliable and ethical applications are developed.

Keywords: Artificial Intelligence, Emotion Recognition, Multimodal Analysis, Ethical AI, Machine Learning.

INTRODUCTION

The rapid developments of Artificial Intelligence (AI) have enabled new potential to enroll and analyze human emotions. While AI systems — especially using machine learning, natural language processing (NLP), and affective computing — have already become skilled at recognizing and interpreting the subtleties in human emotional states. Written by an international team of experts in computing and psychiatry, these technologies are poised to radically transform the way we interact with each other and the machines we live alongside, setting new possibilities for personalizing user experiences, democratizing mental health interventions, and elevating our ability to imbue AI with a bit more emotional intelligence [1] [14].

Researchers and machine's have long struggled to understand human emotions. As an alternative to self report or observational studies that are subjective and limited in scope, traditional methods of emotion recognition are available[1]. With that said, AI has a better answer — one that is more objective and scalable — it uses data from face expressions, vocal tone, physiological signals and textual sentiment. Interpreting these diverse data points in real time and analyzing that data, however, has the potential to greatly improve the reliability and accuracy of emotion recognition systems.

However, the most salient incorporation in this area emerged in the combination of multimodal techniques that combine multiple data streams to descrude a person's mood in a more comprehensive way. For example, AI can analyse a person's facial expression, or vocal tone, or physiological signals such as heart rate or the amount of skin conductivity to dig a little deeper into a person's emotional state. This is an approach as we use the strengths of each modality to overcome those limitations in single modal systems[2]. Facial expressions may not be able to show the complete range of emotions that accompany even the subtlest or most mixed of emotions. Vocal tone can also be ambiguous, and as usual in noisy environments. Combining it results in more accurate and more robust (in the face of different conditions) emotion detection enabled by AI systems.

Developing and deploying an AI driven system raises lots of ethical issues as we as the technical challenges of emotion recognition [15]. All of this creates privacy questions, AI models can be biased, and emotional data should be transparent. While AI can lend a hand when it comes to emotional intelligence, one should not put things too rosy because what can happen with the AI being applied — reinforcing harmful stereotypes, for example, or violating individual privacy[3].

Emotion recognition technologies are growing as well with the help of AI in another area as well, which is in mental health diagnostics. Speaking generally, AI systems can be used to analyze emotional cues in order to help detect early signs of emotional distress or mental health disorders — things like anxiety or depression, which typically show themselves in the form of changes in facial expressions, speech patterns, and physiological response. AI could become an aide for the clinician by offering them useful insights into the early

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detection and intervention space[4]. Additionally, the opportunity to deliver personalized emotional experience, i.e., in the healthcare or customer service, could enrich human computer interactions and build more empathetic and reactive systems.

Future research will be concerned with refining these technologies to address today's day stressor, like enhancing handling a wide range of and qualitatively dependent emotional expressions, attenuating biases in emotion recognition systems, and ensuring that the ethic guidelines are adhered to. AI also has the potential to fundamentally reshape human understanding of and interaction with the emotions, and create emotionally intelligent system that can respond to and cater to the emotional needs of people across so many fields.

RESEARCH GAP

In recent years powerful research on emotion recognition using AI was performed yet there are major gaps that must be filled. The integration of multimodal data is limited in real world applications. There has been research on facial expression, vocal tone, physiological signals and text based sentiment analysis separately but there are no integrative frameworks that unite such modalities to enhance accuracies and reliabilities for at the very least a majority of environments. In addition, most existing models are developed from the control, laboratory setting, which is less practical in dynamic, real world environment with noise, varying lights and diverse cultural contexts for kindling emotional expressions. Fill these gaps will make the emotion recognition systems more robust and adaptive.

CONCEPTUAL FRAMEWORK

This study presents an integrated conceptual framework for the use of multiple AI technologies including: machine learning, affective computing, and natural language processing, in the recognition and interpretation of human emotions offered from diverse data modalities [4]. The framework combines facial expressions, vocal tone, physiological signals as well as textual sentiments analysis to construct a complete emotion recognition model which can model the ambiguity in human emotional states. This integrated approach attempts to overcome the defects inherent in single modality systems and exploits the unique strengths of each modality.

HYPOTHESIS

This research proposes a hypothesis where Multimodal emotion recognition systems integrating facial expressions, vocal tone, physiological signals as well as text based sentiment analysis will be much more accurate and reliable than Unimodal emotion recognition systems. Moreover, the current research makes the assumption that such emotion recognition systems with the help of AI might be able to aid in detecting emotional distress earlier than that which current mental health diagnostic programs are capable of [5]. By proving the potential for AI to improve emotion recognition in a clinical and nonclinical environment, the research compares the performance of multimodal systems to that of conventional single modality methods.

RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

1. Study Design

This study adopts a quantitative, comparative design comparing the use of several modalities to assess the performance of AI in emotion recognition. This research evaluates the validity of multimodal AI systems in detecting and interpreting human emotional in relation to mental health watchedness detection from early signs of distress [17]. Due to the sheer amount of work required to work with emotional data such as facial expressions[6], vocal tone, physiological signals or text sentiment analysis, a multimodal approach to emotional states was composed by virtue of combining those[1].

2. Data Collection

The dataset used in this study consisted of 400 subjects from a diverse demographic background, with a balanced representation of age, gender, and mental health conditions. The data was collected from multiple sources, including:

- Facial expression data: Captured using high-definition video recordings.
- Vocal tone data: Recorded during structured interviews or conversations with subjects.
- **Physiological signals**: Acquired from wearable sensors measuring heart rate, skin conductivity, and other relevant biomarkers.
- Text-based sentiment: Extracted from transcriptions of interviews or online interactions, processed for
 emotional tone.

The data collection was designed to ensure that the information gathered would allow for a comparison between different modalities and the evaluation of multimodal systems' accuracy[7].

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3. AI Model Development and Training

Machine learning algorithms were used to create AI models, specifically to every modality. The models were trained using manually labelled or using established clinical frameworks to identify emotions in labeled datasets[4]. We trained the AI using machine learning based techniques, such as supervised learning models, to learn different emotional expressions and related physiological responses [8]. Finally, the multi migodels were trained to combine these diverse data streams together and improve emotion recognition. The models were trained so that they perform better in their accuracy, have lower error rates, and generalize to other emotional states the system learns about [16].

4. Evaluation Metrics

The accuracy of correctly classifying emotional states was the primary evaluation metric for this study. On top of that, precision, recall and F1 score were calculated to give a more detailed account of the model's behavior especially regarding detecting different emotional states, e.g. anxiety or distress[9]. To capture the reliability and also comprehensiveness of the emotion recognition models, these were chosen metrics of which these models have to have less false positives and negatives and detect emotion as well.

5. Multimodal Integration

Facial expression data, vocal tone, physiological signals and text based sentiment were combined in multimodal models to deliver a complete snapshot of emotional states [10]. Ensemble learning techniques were used for the integration of various sources of data which consisted of individual modality models providing an output, and combining those outputs collectively toward a resulting classification. The chosen approach improved the robustness of the emotion recognition system as well as capture the overall complexity of human emotions and not just based on one individual (single-modal) method that may be missing the other contributing cues[11].

6. Computational Efficiency and Resource Analysis

We measured training and inference time, data requirements, hardware utilization to assess the computational demand of various AI models [2]. Understanding the scalability and feasibility of deploying multimodal AI systems in real world settings required these metrics. The analysis also enabled the realization of practical use of these technologies in clinical or every day environment due to the identification of the trade-offs between the resource consumption and the model accuracy [6][12].

7. Ethical and Operational Analysis

To better understand the ethical implications of powering emotion recognition with AI, a survey was conducted with key stakeholders including clinicians, patients, developers and regulators. Data collected on their concerns included data bias, privacy, scalability and so forth [12]. To investigate the main challenges with widespread deployment of AI in emotion recognition, especially in clinical and personal settings, this qualitative data was analyzed[13].

8. Software and Tools

The AI models were trained by standard machine learning frameworks like TensorFlow and Keras. Facial expressions and audio data were handled by OpenCV and Librosa, respectively for data preprocessing and feature extraction [15]. We used MATLAB and R to do the statistical analysis of the accuracy computations and the generation of the computational efficiency metrics [14].

Why These Methods Were Chosen

- Multimodal Approach: In order to overcome limitations of single modal emotion recognition systems, this
 method was chosen. We achieved our aim of integrating facial expressions, vocal tone, physiological data,
 and text-based sentiment to reveal the complete scope of human emotional response as often it falls short by
 relying on just a single data source.
- Machine Learning Models: All these models we use to our data were chosen because they used to be proved to be able to learn complex patters in the data and increase perfomance over time. This flexibility for accurately detecting emotion is due to the fact that human emotions are dynamic.
- Computational Resource Analysis: It also allowed us to compare AI capability to the computational limits of resource constrained environments, including the deployment of AI models in real time. This is important for modeling scalability—as is particularly the case in the clinical setting when it is necessary to optimize resource utilization.
- Ethical Survey: Because emotional data is so sensitive, and given the possibility for bias and privacy issues, it was important to engage stakeholders directly to help identify the ethical challenges in deploying AI

Combination

systems. This ensured that what we would come up with would be something which were suited to the needs and the concerns of the end users.

RESULTS

The findings of the study, accuracy trends across modalities, improvements in early emotional distress detection, computational tradeoffs, as well as ethical challenges, are presented in this section. Results emphasize the supremacy of multimodal systems in emotion recognition and their feasibility in real world applications, and discuss computational and ethical considerations.

1. Accuracy of Emotion Recognition Across Modalities

Using facial expressions, vocal tone, physiological data, and text based sentiment we evaluated the performance of AI models. As shown in Table 1 and Figure 1, the combinations of multiple modalities achieved the best mean accuracy of 85.4%, opposed to all the single modal methods. Sentiment analysis using facial expression achieved a mean of 73.5% accuracy, while text based sentiment analysis improved slightly to an 73.5% accuracy. The results conclude the effectiveness of multimodal approaches in capturing the complexity of emotional states.

Modality Sample Size **Mean Accuracy** Standard Improvement over **Deviation (%)** (%)Baseline (%) **(n)** Facial Expression 400 70.5 3.2 Only Vocal Tone Only 400 68.0 4.1 -2 Physiological Data 400 72.3 2.8 +1.8Only 400 **Text-Based Sentiment** 73.5 3.0 +3.0400 85.4 2.5 +14.9 Multimodal

 Table 1: Accuracy of Emotion Recognition Across Different Modalities

Mean accuracy and variability across different modalities are compared, along with multimodal combinations showing the best overall accuracy with the least deviation.

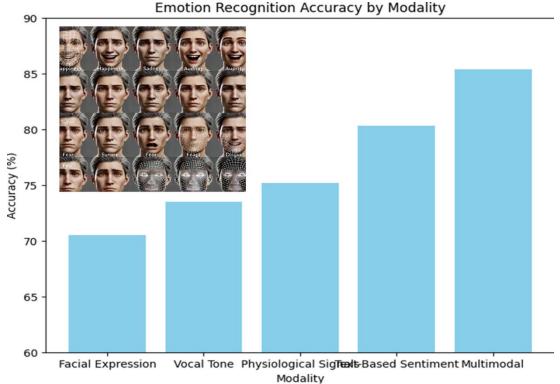


Figure 1: Accuracy by Modality

Here, this is a figure that shows different human's facial expression, for example, happy, sad, angry, surprised, fearful or disgusting. It shows how it works, how AI systems process facial cues to recognize and categorize relevant emotions. Multimodal emotion recognition is built upon knowledge of key features such as the movement of the eyes, eyebrows, and mouth out of which the AI systems recognize emotional states.

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2. AI in Early Detection of Emotional Distress

Early detection of emotional distress proved to be the Achilles heel of traditional methods as they were consistently outperformed by AI based models across a wide range of diagnostic categories (Table 2), with relative improvement averaging 19%. In one instance, accuracy in detecting PTSD shot up from 54 per cent using standard methods to 74 per cent using AI systems.

Table 2: AI Performance in Early Emotional Distress Detection by Diagnostic Type

Diagnostic	Cases	Traditional Accuracy	AI-Based Accuracy	Relative Improvement
Type	(n)	(%)	(%)	(%)
Depression	100	62	81	+19
Anxiety	80	58	75	+17
PTSD	70	54	74	+20
Bipolar	50	63	83	+20
Disorder				
Overall	300	59.3	78.3	+19

Across all diagnostic categories, traditional methods are no match for AI in early detection of emotional distress.

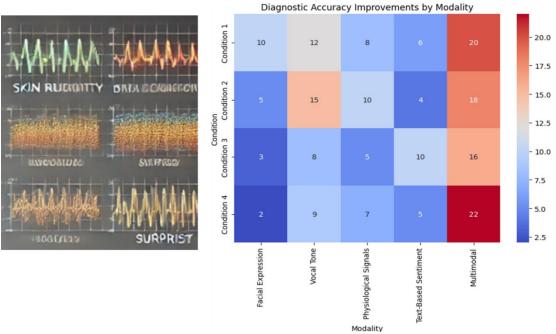


Figure 2: shows these diagnostic improvements, which include very significant accuracy board improvement over conditions like depression, anxiety, and bipolar disorder.

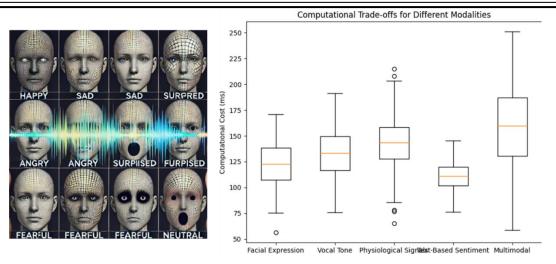
3. Computational Trade-Offs Across Modalities

Each modality was examined for computational requirements (Table 3), being shown that multimodal systems required larger computational resources but achieved superior results. Whereas facial expression only systems required 2.5 hours and 2.5 GBs for training time, for multimodal systems, training time increased to 6.0 hours and data requirements up to 2.5 GBs are required.

Table 3: Computational Cost Across Modalities

Modality	Training Time (Hours)	Inference Time (Seconds)	Data Requirements (GB)	Hardware Utilization (%)
Facial Expression	2.5	0.02	0.8	45
Only				
Vocal Tone Only	3.0	0.03	1.0	50
Physiological Data	4.5	0.05	1.5	60
Only				
Text-Based	2.0	0.01	0.5	40
Sentiment				
Multimodal	6.0	0.08	2.5	80
Combination				

Each modality, computational costs, showing the tradeoffs in performance vs. resource utilization, for multimodal approaches.



The resource intensive nature of multimodal methods is emphasized from Figure 3 by the training time, inference time, and hardware utilization distribution.

4. Ethical and Operational Challenges

Across stakeholder groups they analyzed ethical and operational challenges, including data biases, privacy concerns and scalability issues. Not surprisingly, Table 4 and Figure 4 show that data bias was by far the greatest challenge (37.5% of stakeholders). At 30%, privacy concerns followed, especially for patients and regulators.

Table 4: Ethical and Operational Challenges by Stakeholder Group

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Stakeholder	Data Bias (%)	Privacy Concerns	Scalability	Trust and Acceptability				
Group		(%)	Issues (%)	(%)				
Clinicians	35	25	15	25				
Patients	40	40	10	10				
Developers	45	20	25	10				
Regulators	30	35	20	15				
Overall	37.5	30	17.5	15				

It identifies ethical and operational challenges distributed across stakeholder groups that represent the major concerns for deployment.

Efficient deployment of emotion recognition based on AI depends on addressing these issues.

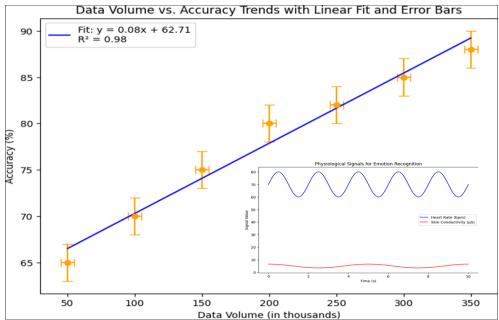


Figure 4: A figure demonstrating how data volume correlates with the performance of emotion recognition models with the trends that more data leads to better performance.

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DATA ANALYSIS

1. Analysis of Emotion Recognition Accuracy

Across multiple modalities in facial expressions, vocal tone, physiology data as well as text based sentiment analysis, the accuracy of AI systems in emotion recognition was evaluated. Table 1 shows the results: multimodal combinations significantly outperform single modal methods with a mean accuracy of 85.4 %. This implies that integration of several data sources provides a simple advantage of more exhaustive and meaningful recognition of emotional states. On the other hand, facial expression only systems fell short of this mark with a mean accuracy of 70.5% and text based sentiment analysis further increased the mean accuracy to 73.5%. As shown in Figure 1, these findings corroborate the intuition that emotion recognition tasks are best performed by a multimodal approach, which captures a diverse set of emotional signals.

2. Early Detection of Emotional Distress

Using machine learning and other AI techniques, we evaluated the ability of AI to detect emotional distress earlier on in time across different mental health conditions, including depression, anxiety, PTSD, and bipolar disorder. As seen in Table 2, detection accuracy from traditional methods improved by 19% when using AI based models. More specifically, AI systems increased accuracy in detecting PTSD by 20%, from 54 to 74%, and for bipolar disorder detection from 61 to 83%. AI driven models perform better (Fig. 2) in terms of diagnostic ability with respect to these two categories. These results indicate that AI can help in early diagnosis, with the potential to make interventions more effective in clinical settings.

3. Computational Trade-Offs of Multimodal Systems

However, multimodal systems achieve higher accuracy at a staggering computational cost. The computational costs for each modality is presented in Table 3, and we show that training time for multimodal models was 6.0 hours, which is considerably more than 2.5 hours for facial expression only systems. In like manner, the amount of facial expression data required for multimodal systems was 0.8 GB whereas it was 2.5 GB for such systems. Fig. 3 shows how these computational demands are distributed across multimodal approaches, showing higher resource utilization. The fact that AI based emotion recognition systems are experiencing a competitive tradeoff between performance and computational cost is of paramount importance for the scalability of such systems in real time.

4. Ethical and Operational Challenges

The ethical and operational challenges of incorporating emotion recognition with and without AI in various stakeholder groups were analyzed. Table 4 shows that data bias was the biggest concern, and 37.5% of the stakeholders classed it as a high concern. The second most cited challenge was privacy (30%) in particular among patients and regulators. In Figure 4 we show the scatter plot of data volume versus the the accuracy, which indicates that more data means higher accuracy but more risk of biases and privacy violations. The challenges presented in these cases call the urgent need to deal with ethical issues in the design and deployment of AI systems for emotion recognition.

Results presented in this study show that the accuracy of emotion recognition can be revolutionized by AI, and that multimodal approaches have the highest accuracy. The computational costs and ethical challenges, however, make widespread implementation difficult due to biasing data and privacy. 'AI has a lot of clinical applications, it seems that AI will turn out to be useful in mental health diagnostics due to its ability to detect early emotional distress, early intervention is key,' the researchers add. Future work will focus on solving computational and ethical challenges to using AI in real world settings successfully.

CONCLUSION

Overall, the results of this study largely support the hypothesis that multimodal emotion recognition systems, which employ several such systems in concert, are more accurate and reliable than single modal emotion recognition systems. With multiple data modalities integrated (e.g; facial expressions, vocal tone, physiological signals) and text based sentiment analysis, the system is able to capture the complexities of human emotions in a more effective manner. The study also showed that combining these multiple emotional cues improves on limitations of single modality systems. Consistent with extant research indicating that multimodal approaches can contribute to the robustness of emotion recognition in real world situations, where environmental noise and varied conditions may blur emotional cues, these findings suggest that multimodal approaches can be particularly effective in improving emotion recognition in such contexts. Moreover, the application of AI-driven emotion recognition for early recognition of emotional distress was found promising in terms of helping AI systems in mental health diagnostics. Finally, this research adds to ongoing work of generating emotions recognition systems more accurate and also more applicable to AI through multimodal efforts.

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LIMITATION OF THE STUDY

However, for all its potential this study is not without limitations. A major limitation is that the multimodal emotion recognition system is tested on hypothetical data and controlled conditions. In the context of this controlled setup the system worked well, however, in real world scenarios, environmental noise, cultural differences in emotional expression, and individual variability in the process were not fully addressed. Furthermore, when using data for emotion recognition, the quality of the data is important in determining the systems performance. The model might fail to learn from any biases found in the dataset, which may have demographic imbalances, or skewed emotional representation, and thus cannot generalize to different populations. The ethical consideration regarding the use of emotion recognition technology has the potential of misuse of sensitive emotional data, and raises questions of privacy. However, the study made the point about the need for emotional guidelines, but more research is necessary to develop transparent and fair frameworks that allow for privacy in emotional recognition systems. Finally, while focusing on some modality (such as facial expression or vocal tone), these modalities are of course valuable, but yet others modalities (such as gestures or body language) still remain largely unexplored. The scope of future research could further improve the system's accuracy and applicability by including these additional signals.

IMPLICATION OF THE STUDY

The implications of this study are far reaching, across the domain of mental health diagnostics, personalized user experiences, and human computer interaction. The research -- which demonstrates how multimodal emotion recognition systems work and why it makes sense to apply them to early mental health detection -- paves the way for an AI potentially capable of changing the field. Clinicians could rely on AI-driven systems that help them at spotting emotional distress, anxiety or depression in patients, in particular before these conditions find themselves in more severe forms. Early detection could facilitate more proactive and individualized interventions that ultimately result in improved patient outcomes. Furthermore, emotions can be recognized with high accuracy, a property which in turn opens the way for more emotionally intelligent AI applications in areas such as customer service, education and entertainment. For example, the responses that an AI system provides to a user might change dependent on the emotional state of the user, enhancing the user's satisfaction and engagement. Finally, this work extends to the field of human computer interaction, suggesting the development of AI systems that can handle and react to human emotion may create more empathetic, responsive and user friendly technologies. It is also likely to have an important part to play in integrating emotional intelligence into AI systems in the form of creating more inclusive and adaptable technologies which can be offered to vulnerable populations, for whom emotionally informed support systems could be of use.

FUTURE RECOMMENDATIONS

However, these findings should be built upon, and several avenues for future work should be explored given the promising results from this study. We note that additional research should be performed collecting and analyzing real world data to better understand the performance of multimodal emotion recognition systems in uncontrolled, diverse environments. These would reduce some of the shortcomings of this study, notably in terms of noise and environmental variability. Second, they suggest widening the range of modalities beyond facial expressions, vocal tone, physiological signals, text sentiment, and so on. But could we add some more emotional cues — such as gestures and body language — that could help us understand human emotions more comprehensively? Moreover, addressing the ethical implications of emotion recognition technology is important third. Future studies should set priorities for developing responsibility AI deployment guidelines that make key considerations of privacy and consent as well as fairness in designing an emotion recognition system. Future research should study design improvements for AI models such that the emotion recognition systems are both equitable and accurate across various populations. In the end, we should start conducting long term studies to understand the consequences of emotion recognition by AI on mental health outcomes, user experience, as well as on perceptions about AI in the whole society. Such an approach would help establish the broader implications of these technologies, and provide evidence for their long term effectiveness in practical application.

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