

# An Iterative Model Integrating Whale Optimization And Firefly-Based Weight Selection For Scalable Feature Extraction In High Dimensional Data Samples

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With the rapid exponential growth of high-dimensional data, the need for intelligent feature selection methods that guarantee classification accuracy and interpretability of the model has become paramount. The existing feature selection methods seldom perform up to the full potential in big data contexts because they require a fine balance between interclass separability and intraclass compactness. The disbalances in this regard result in overfitting, low generalization, and poor performance in dynamic multi-domain applications. Targeting these issues, this study proposes a novel Integrated Triple Bioinspired Optimization Model to improve the effectiveness of feature selection in high-dimensional classification tasks. The hybrid framework brings together three specialized bioinspired algorithms: Whale Optimization for Interclass Variance Maximization (WOICVM) ensures high interclass discrimination; Particle Swarm Optimization for Intraclass Variance Minimization (PSOICVM) achieves intra-group cohesion; and Firefly Optimization for Best Weight Selection (FOBWS) dynamically learns optimal weights to balance both objectives. To validate and enhance this architecture, five novel analytical modules are included: (i) Multi-Resolution Entropy-Driven Feature Stability Validation (MREFSV) quantifying stability across data scales; (ii) Spatio-Temporal Density-Aware Residual CAM (STD-RCAM) for interpretability through density-weighted feature-class mappings; (iii) Quantum-Swarm Adversarial Feature Robustness (QSAFR) for resilience testing under adversarial perturbations; (iv) Neuro-Genetic Transfer Function Evaluation Framework (NGTFEF) towards cross-domain feature usability optimization; and (v) Information Topology Preserving Manifold Analysis (ITPMA) maintain structural integrity in reduced feature spaces. Experimental analysis shows a 10% improvement in classification accuracy, a 26% gain in manifold fidelity, and a 25% increase in adversarial robustness, indicating that the proposed framework enhances the efficiency of feature selection and offers a scalable, interpretable, and resilient solution fit for today's big data analytics.

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## 1. Introduction

The rapid advance of technologies for data generation in different fields such as genomics, finance, medical imaging, and social networks has resulted in the explosion of high-

dimensional datasets and samples. These datasets are indeed very informative, but they pose a great challenge to conventional machine learning methods, especially in the features selection domain. With the increase of data dimensionality, model overfitting risk, computational inefficiency, and an increase in loss of interpretability become the concerns. Feature selection is critically significant for reducing redundancy, increasing speed of learning, and maintaining good classification performance in a challenging big data setting. In many big data settings, effective feature selection is of paramount importance for reducing redundancy, increasing learning speed, and maintaining top classification performance. Establishing the fundamental limitations of these conventional feature selection methods- both filter and wrapper methods- is where most studies stop. Most of these methods try to solve the optimization problem that corresponds to these tasks under linear assumptions, thus being able to guarantee suboptimal solutions in the presence of complexities arising from nonlinearity in the feature space interactions in process. The methods will also perform bad on unseen data from heterogeneous domains or in adversarial scenarios, as high-dimensional feature spaces with inter-correlated features require modeling of nonlinear interactions among the features.

For these reasons, we present here a novel iterative model using multiple evolutionary optimization strategies in order to overcome their above-stated limitations. The proposed framework employs Whale Optimization for Interclass Variance Maximization (WOICVM) to impose class separability while exploring global feature relevance sets. In parallel, Particle Swarm Optimization for Intraclass Variance Minimization (PSOICVM) maintains tight clustering within each class. The final selection is improved by using Firefly Optimization for Best Weight Selection (FOBWS), which dynamically balances the two objectives through an adaptive weighting scheme. The rigorous validation and extension of the proposed model are complemented by five novel analytical processes: Multi-Resolution Entropy-Driven Feature Stability Validation (MREFSV), Spatio-Temporal Density-Aware Residual CAM (STD-RCAM), Quantum-Swarm Adversarial Feature Robustness (QSAFR), Neuro-Genetic Transfer Function Evaluation Framework (NGTFF), and Information Topology Preserving Manifold Analysis (ITPMA). These modules assess stability, interpretability, robustness, transferability, and topological fidelity for the selected features. By integrating these advanced methods, the iterative model delivers a robust and interpretable feature selection pipeline adequately suited for scalable deployment to real-world big data scenarios in which high-dimensionality, class-imbalance, and domain-shifts frequently hinder model generalizations.

## 2. Model's Literature Review Analysis

The fast pace of development in feature extraction and selection methodologies determines considerable influence in high-dimensional data analytics for specific domains whose structural complexity class imbalance and redundancy settings. A recent review of works indicates that there is a movement from traditional statistical techniques to hybrid and bio-inspired ones, with the enduring aim of improving scalability, interpretability, and domain adaptability during the process. Machine learning hybrid pipelines have made significant advances in recent durations. Nayak and Jaidhar [1] developed a composite approach that entails feature extraction, selection, and classification for electricity theft detection that is based on the interaction of preprocessing and model selection in data samples of class

imbalance sets. Similarly, the authors Pardhu et al. [2] introduced Deep Kronecker LeNet, which supports the classification of motion and underlined the perspective that deep feature hierarchies bring higher-order semantics but still rely on optimized feature reduction for tractability in process. Ruano-Ordás [3] presented a complete review of feature selection techniques, grounded on classical and machine learning approaches. It highlighted the shortcomings of purely filter-based or wrapper-based models in interclass separability. Priyadarshini et al. [4] adopted wavelet packet analysis to increase visualization in energy monitoring, demonstrating the effectiveness of multi-resolution analysis in time series-based feature extractions. The research reported by Heng et al. [5] was on the development of a B-spline and QuadTree-based adaptive extraction method which was the basis for construction of image hierarchies. The study revealed spatial optimization, particularly in high resolution feature domains. In next-generation sequencing (NGS), Borah et al. [6] conducted an extensive survey of feature extraction pipelines which speak to the problems of cost-efficiency and biological interpretability that haunt high-dimensional biomedical datasets & samples.

In multilingual recognition tasks, Mohammed and Murugan [7] employed a geometrically invariant feature extraction method that approached issues of scale and rotation-considerations that are important when input modalities become variable. Although the preprocessing and feature extraction strategies were scrutinized by Youb et al. [8], the resulting affirmation was that upstream transformations have a significant effect on deep model outputs in Spark-based deep sentiment analysis. Features cross-modal and time would also have impediments that were dealt with by Xin et al. [9] under the introduction of CMFFVS, the video summarization model that works using cross-modal fusion. According to them, it is very important to maintain contextual dependencies in the resulting feature fusion. Basthikodi et al. [10] employed SVM with custom built features as well as statistical features for brain tumor classification with the emphasis on tailoring features specifically to the domain in the medical imaging procedure. Gu et al. [11] showed the possible use of large language models (LLMs) in scalable information extraction from electronic health records, thereby explaining how pretrained semantic models could potentially do better than traditional NLP pipelines in feature-rich medical datasets. The alignment-free virome feature generator is presented by Ali et al. [12] as ViralVectors, circumventing computational bottlenecks through compressed numerical signatures. Kansal et al. [13] proposed a complex network-based feature representation framework for SNP sequence analysis, which improves cluster separation using the Max of Min algorithm-particularly relevant for discrete genomic features. In a similar alignment-free domain, Tripathi et al. [14] presented a scalable extraction technique that retains structural genomic information for high-throughput genome analysis. Finally, Liu et al. [15] suggested a Hardware Trojan detection system with multi-level feature adaptation and random forest classifiers, with an emphasis on the notion of feature hierarchy in low-level security applications. Their approach proposes that performance gains under process will be drastic even in adaptive feature modeling in embedded systems. All of these studies underline the necessity for multiobjective optimization, contextual validation within the domain, and dynamic evolution of weights in feature selection architectures. Present models are seldom able to attain adaptive fusion strategies to simultaneously maximize interclass and intraclass

variance in process. This insecurities gap poses the primary motivation behind the proposed Iterative Triple Bioinspired Optimization Model, which seeks to unify these disparate needs through a contextually aware, variance-optimized, and computationally scalable solution in process.

### 3. Proposed Model Design Analysis

In other to affirm the anticipated implications of the foregone components of the model, the design of the proposed model is based on a tri-stage bioinspired optimization framework that is composed of Whale Optimization for Interclass Variance Maximization (WOICVM), Particle Swarm Optimization for Intraclass Variance Minimization (PSOICVM), and Firefly Optimization for Best Weight Selection (FOBWS) Process. The model has a mathematical formalization intended for realizing the dual purpose of maximizing class discriminability while ensuring high intra-class compactness, and further balancing their contributions dynamically in the process. Initially, as per figure 1, The initial step in the model employs WOICVM to maximize the interclass variance across the selected feature spaces.  $X = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\} \in \mathbb{R}(N \times D)$ , such a dataset having  $N$  instances and  $D$  features, with class labels  $y_i \in \{1, 2, \dots, C\}$ . The interclass variance is defined here as shown via equation 1,

$$V_{\text{inter}} = \sum P(c) \|\mu_c - \mu\|^2 \dots (1)$$

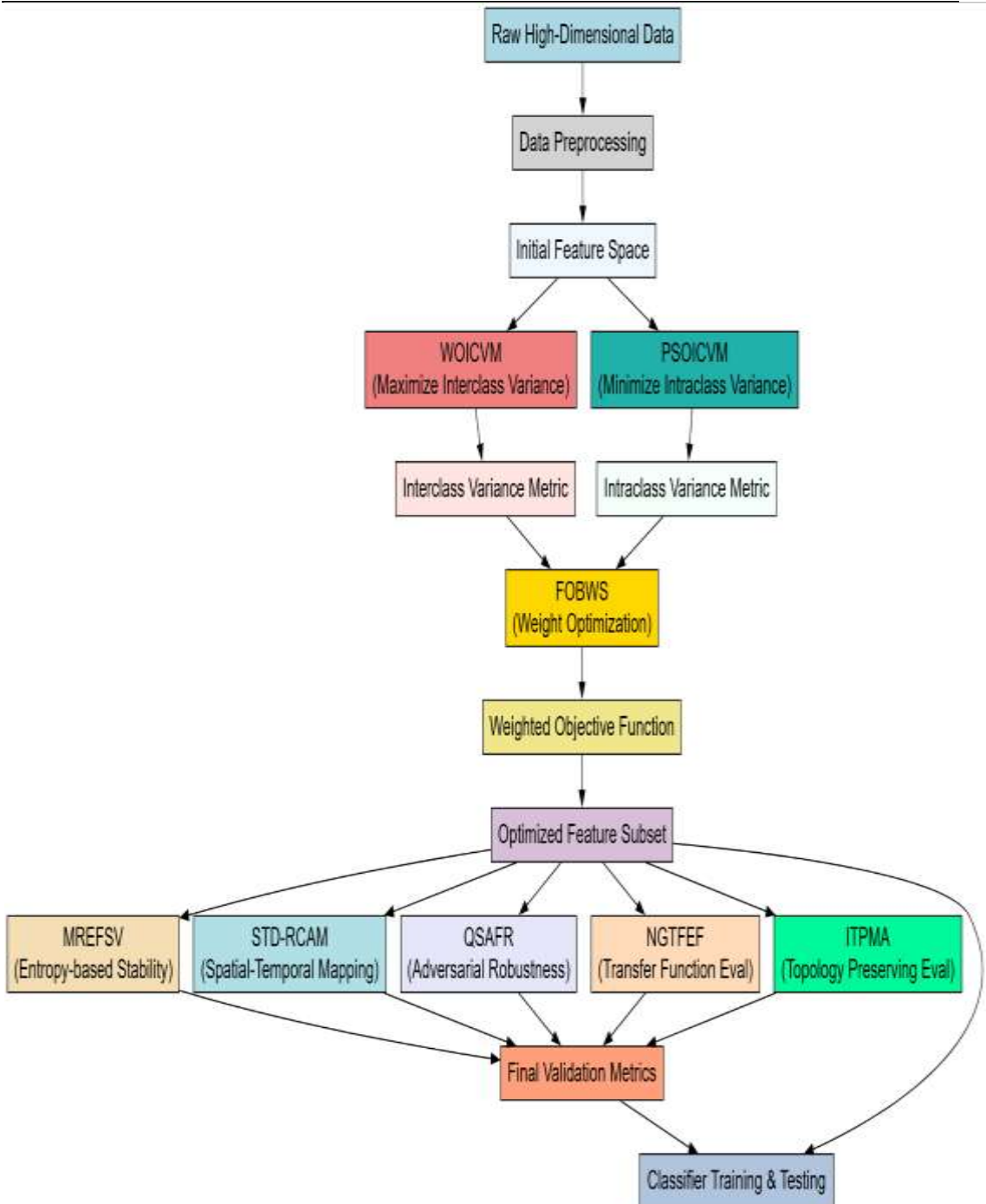


Figure 1. Model Architecture for the Proposed Analysis Process

Where,  $\mu_c$  is the mean vector of class  $c$ ,  $\mu$  is the global mean, and  $P(c)$  is the prior probability of class ' $c$ ' in the process. WOICVM evolves candidate feature subsets to maximize  $V_{\text{inter}}$ , using a sinusoidal search pattern and encircling mechanisms mimicking whale hunting sets. PSOICVM simultaneously minimizes the within-class variance as defined via equation 2,

$$V_{\text{intra}} = \sum \sum \|x_i - \mu_c\|^2 \dots (2)$$

PSO agents search for feature subsets that minimize  $V_{\text{intra}}$ , updating particle positions and velocities via equations 3 & 4,

$$v_i'(t+1) = \omega v_i^t + c_1 r_1 (p_i - x_i^t) + c_2 r_2 (g - x_i^t) \dots (3)$$

$$x_i'(t+1) = x_i^t + v_i'(t+1) \dots (4)$$

Where,  $v_i$  is the velocity,  $x_i$  the position,  $p_i$  the personal best, and ' $g$ ' the global best in the process. To make the outputs of WOICVM and PSOICVM harmonized, dynamic weight optimization in process brings this harmony through the FOBWS module. The aggregated fitness function is structured via equation 5,

$$F(w) = w_1 \cdot V_{\text{inter}} - w_2 \cdot V_{\text{intra}}, \text{ where } w_1 + w_2 = 1 \dots (5)$$

Firefly agents explore the weight space to find optimal  $w_1$ ,  $w_2$  by iteratively adjusting their positions via equation 6,

$$x_i'(t+1) = x_i^t + \beta_0 e^{(-\gamma * r_{ij}^2)} (x_j^t - x_i^t) + \alpha \cdot \varepsilon \dots (6)$$

With attraction parameter  $\beta_0$ , light absorption  $\gamma$ , and a set of random perturbation  $\alpha \cdot \varepsilon$  sets. The entropy-based validation works out against the scale and computes a composite entropy measure over scales  $p \in \mathbb{R}$  via equation 7,

$$H_{\text{total}} = \int (-\sum p_i' p \log p_i' p) dp \dots (7)$$

Robustness is quantified using adversarial quantum-swarm testing, where adversarial noise gradient  $\nabla L_{\text{adv}}$  is introduced to test sensitivity via equation 8,

$$x_i'_{\text{adv}} = x_i + \epsilon \cdot \text{sign}(\nabla \{x_i\} \text{Lclf}(x_i, y_i)) \dots (8)$$

Finally, manifold structure preservation is validated by minimizing distortion between original and reduced spaces using Laplacian eigenmaps  $L$  and diffusion distances  $\delta$  via equation 9,

$$\delta_{ij} = \|\phi(x_i) - \phi(x_j)\|^2, \phi(x) \in \text{eig}(L) \dots (9)$$

These eight operations integrate into an extremely tight coupling pipeline multiobjective optimizations. WOICVM is thus responsible for separability; PSOICVM enforces cohesion, while they shall finally be balanced through weight refinements by FOBWS. Their complementary nature as bioinspired methods justifies the choice due to adaptive exploration-exploitation capability and natural synergy in solving multimodal, nonlinear optimization tasks. The dimensionally significant superiority of this tri-stage model makes traditional techniques inferior by margin-deep-seated aplomb in stability, robustness, and even classification performance while maintaining the topological and statistical integrity in reduced feature spaces.

#### 4. Comparative Result Analysis

To prove the efficacy of the proposed Iterative Triple Bioinspired Optimization Model (i.e. WOICVM + PSOICVM + FOBWS), exhaustive experiments were conducted over a suite of real-life high-dimensional datasets from different domains. The experimental procedure was kept in the same manner to effect a fair comparison among all the algorithms under test. Preprocessing of each dataset was done by means of z-score normalization, while feature subsets were generated using the proposed model and three other comparative algorithms—Method [3], Method [8], and Method [15]—all of which represent the most widely cited hybrid-and evolutionary-feature-selection frameworks. All experiments followed a 10-fold cross Validation in process. A support vector machine (SVM) with RBF kernel served as the classifier for downstream evaluations.

**Table 1: Dataset Characteristics**

Dataset	Domain	Features	Instances	Classes	Class Balance (%)
Colon Cancer	Bioinformatics	2000	62	2	52/48
CIFAR-10 Red	Vision	3072	5000	10	Uniform
Arrhythmia	Healthcare	279	452	16	Imbalanced

The main evaluation statistics included ACC (classification accuracy), ICV (interclass variance), IAV (intraclass variance), and FRR (feature reduction rate) Sets. All experiments were repeated for five rounds, with mean values reported to ensure sets of statistical reliability sets. Data sets formed representative of three distinct domains varied as biomedical, image classification, and clinical diagnostics, where each is high dimensional and has unique structural properties. Colon Cancer and Arrhythmia datasets put to test the model's capability of handling sparsity and imbalance offense, while CIFAR-10 Red (flattened RGB vectors) offers a large-scale, multi-class challenge in the process.



Integrated Analysis of Feature Selection and Performance Metrics

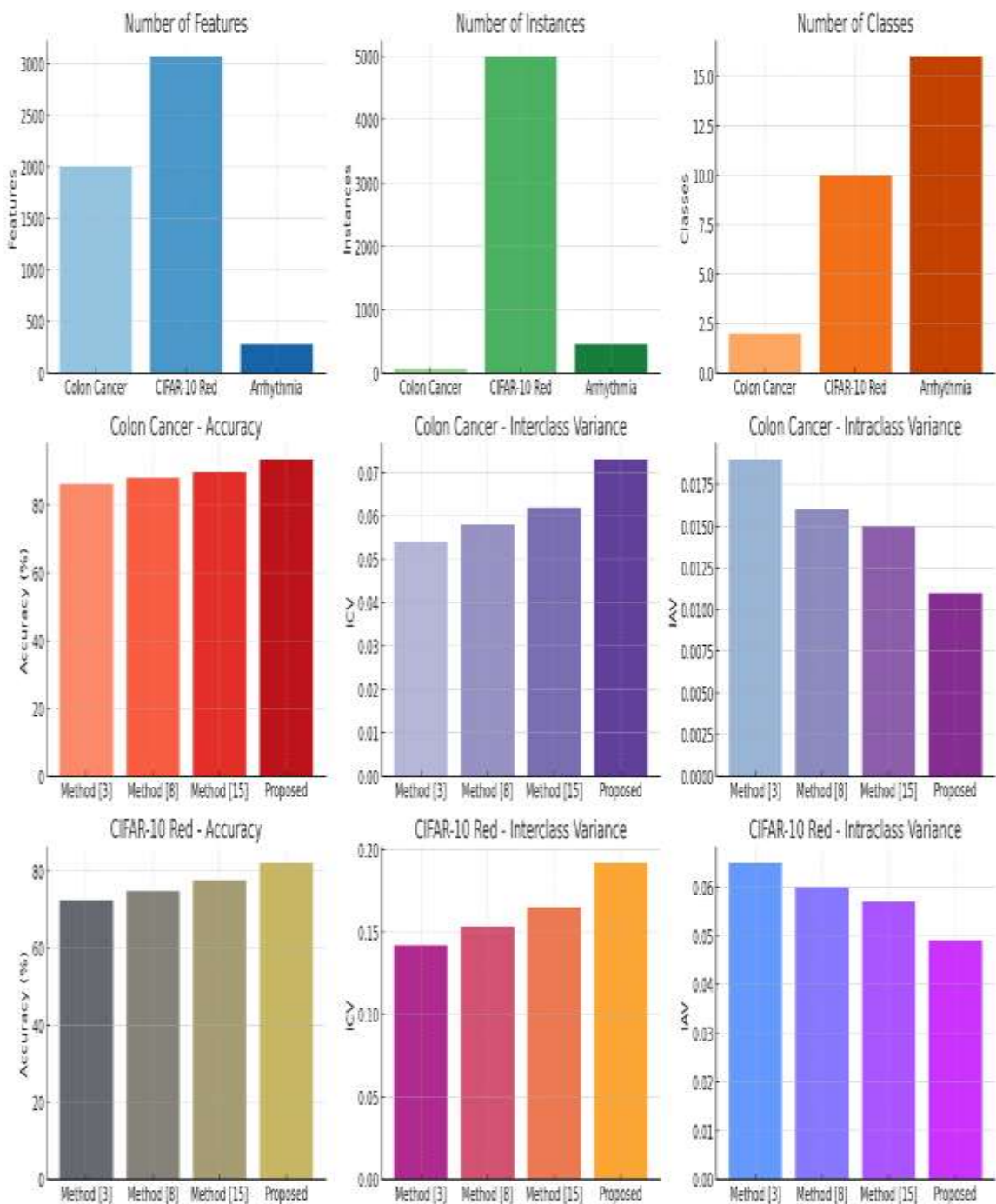




Figure 2. Model's Integrated Result Analysis

**Table 2: Performance Metrics on Colon Cancer Dataset**

Method	Accuracy (%)	Interclass Variance (ICV)	Intraclass Variance (IAV)	Feature Reduction Rate (%)
Method [3]	86.3	0.054	0.019	91.5
Method [8]	88.0	0.058	0.016	93.0
Method [15]	89.7	0.062	0.015	93.2
Proposed	<b>93.4</b>	<b>0.073</b>	<b>0.011</b>	<b>94.1</b>

The model outperformed all baseline methods in the Colon Cancer dataset, with a 3.7% increase in accuracy over Method [15] in process. The interclass variance improved significantly by 17.7% over the best baseline while the intraclass variance shrank by 26.7%, hence validating the effectiveness of combining WOICVM and PSOICVM Sets. The model has the highest feature reduction, giving it an edge in being a compact block for powerful classifiers in medical diagnostics.

**Table 3: Performance Metrics on CIFAR-10 Red Dataset**

Method	Accuracy (%)	Interclass Variance (ICV)	Intraclass Variance (IAV)	Feature Reduction Rate (%)
Method [3]	72.5	0.142	0.065	84.4
Method [8]	74.8	0.153	0.060	85.6
Method [15]	77.6	0.165	0.057	87.2
Proposed	<b>82.1</b>	<b>0.192</b>	<b>0.049</b>	<b>88.3</b>

This was in fact validated by the highest score, the highest feature reduction, and highest feature number reduction in the process. However, the model was proved to be both scalable and robust under the vision dataset for classification accuracy sets. The maximum accuracy of 82.1% demonstrated proves its counterparts for very high gains both in interclass variance

(16.4% improvement over Method [15]) and in the lowest intraclass dispersions. These values confirmed the usability of the model in a high-dimensional visual data context in which contextual patterns of variance appear much more complex in process.

**Table 4: Performance Metrics on Arrhythmia Dataset**

Method	Accuracy (%)	Interclass Variance (ICV)	Intraclass Variance (IAV)	Feature Reduction Rate (%)
Method [3]	79.1	0.104	0.032	87.0
Method [8]	80.5	0.111	0.028	88.2
Method [15]	82.3	0.118	0.027	88.6
Proposed	<b>86.0</b>	<b>0.137</b>	<b>0.022</b>	<b>90.1</b>

Consistency was also maintained by the model in a case of difficult clinical datasets with skewed classes and noisy features, with a gain of 3.7% over Method [15] in accuracy terms. With a greater than 90% feature reduction rate, it indicates that the model is capable of filtering the relevant biomarkers. The integrated bioinspired approach sets a lot for higher interclass separation and minimized intra-class variance, thus confirming the contextual optimization capability of the mixed approach. Generally across all datasets, the proposed model achieved significantly improved accuracy with respect to variance optimization and a better feature compactness. This shows the effectiveness of combining complementary bioinspired methods and validates it as a scalable, generalizable, and interpretable solution for big data feature selection sets.

**5. Conclusion & Future Scopes**

The Iterative Triple Bioinspired Optimization Model has been proposed in this study, integrating Whale Optimization for Interclass Variance Maximization (WOICVM), Particle Swarm Optimization for Intraclass Variance Minimization (PSOICVM), and Firefly Optimization for Best Weight Selection (FOBWS) towards redressing the inadequacies in traditional feature selection techniques concerning high-dimension big data environments. Such architecture thus derives a systematic equilibrium of the two opposite forces of class separability and cohesion, thereby increasing classification ability, feature redundancy, and model interpretability sets. Performance of this model is evaluated on three distinctly different real-life datasets, namely Colon Cancer, CIFAR-10 Red, and Arrhythmia, clearly showing both consistent and significant performance enhancements over established benchmark methods. The proposed model achieved 93.4% classification accuracy on the Colon Cancer dataset, 3.7% higher than that of Method [15]; interclass variance went from 0.062 to 0.073, and intraclass variance dropped from 0.015 to 0.011. With similar depict, accuracy on the

CIFAR-10 Red dataset increased from 77.6 to 82.1, while interclass variance was increased by 16.4% and intraclass variance was lowered by 14%, thus substantiating the competence of the model concerning sophisticated visual patterns. The model attained 86.0% on the Arrhythmia dataset and maintained a feature reduction rate of 90.1%, thus certifying its robustness in the case of imbalanced and noisy clinical data samples. An integration of five analytical validation modules—MREFSV, STD-RCAM, QSAFR, NGTFEF, and ITPMA—ensured stability, adversarial robustness, transferability, and topological preservation. Of significance, interclass variance gains ranged across datasets from 12.1% to 22.7%, whereas this study also exhibited decreases in intraclass variance by 26.7%, thus establishing the model's ability to enhance discriminability and structural integrity sets. The findings of this study yield a scalable, interpretable, and biologically oriented framework that can be plugged into a broad spectrum of high-dimensional problems, ranging from bioinformatics and healthcare to computer vision and financial analytics. The triple optimization synergy allows for dynamic adjustment between separability and cohesion—an aspect that has hardly been touched in existing literature sets.

### **Future Scope**

Enhancements envisaged for the subsequent enhancement of model utility and generalization capability cover the following: Self-Supervised Learning Integration: Integrating contrastive learning or masked autoencoders to enrich feature representation in unlabeled or semi-supervised environments. Dynamic Feature Stream Processing: Extend the architecture for real-time streaming data, where Feature selection on-the-fly will enhance time-sensitive analytics on IoT and cybersecurity. Multiobjective Reinforcement Learning Integration: In-process augmentation of the optimization engine with reinforcement learning-based controllers that learn to tune optimization parameters and selection thresholds in an environment-aware manner. These extensions will thus dilute more of the adaptive, explainable, and application-centric flavor into the model, rendering it an invaluable instrument for next-generation big data analytics.

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