

Anthropometric Parameters Measurement Methods: a geographical review

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Abstract—For basic health surveillance, we have anthropometric metrics. Anthropometry is a branch of morphometry to study the size and shape of the components of biological forms and their variations in populations. In this paper anational geographical review is done for detecting the nutrition status among children. Also, the study describes the various ML techniques applied for detecting nutritional state using anthropometric parameters.

I. INTRODUCTION

Health analysis has become paramount in delivering accurate public health surveillance which is responsible for identifying trends, patterns, and emerging health threats. It helps public health officials to implement preventive measures, respond to outbreaks, and allocate resources effectively to protect the health of communities. According to **National Family Health Survey (NFHS-5, 2019-21) Report** Approximately **19.3%** of children under five are stunted, **6.6%** of children under five are wasted (low weight for height), around **33.4%** of children under five are underweight (low weight for age), which is a critical indicator of poor nutrition and health and The prevalence of anemia among children aged 6-59 months is approximately **67.1%**. Recent trends also suggest an increasing prevalence of obesity among children, particularly in urban areas, though exact figures can vary based on the specific survey and population studied. **According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)**, anthropometry provides a valuable assessment of nutritional status in children and adults. For basic health surveillance, we have anthropometric metrics. Anthropometry is a branch of morphometry (study of variations and changes in the forms of organisms) to study the

size and shape of the components of biological forms and their variations in populations. It describes the relationship between the human body and disease. [1]

The word Anthropometry is derived from the Greek word *ánthrōpos* means ('human') and *métron* ('measure') refers to the measurement of the human individual. Anthropometry involves the systematic measurement of the physical properties of the human body. The core elements of anthropometry are height, weight, head circumference, body mass index (BMI), body circumferences to assess for adiposity (waist, hip, and limbs), and skinfold thickness systematic measurement of the physical properties of the human body. The core elements of anthropometry are height, weight, head circumference, body mass index (BMI), body circumferences to assess for adiposity (waist, hip, and limbs), and skinfold thickness.

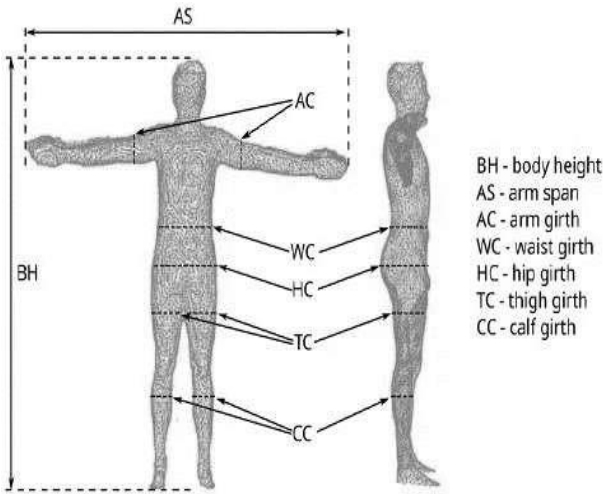
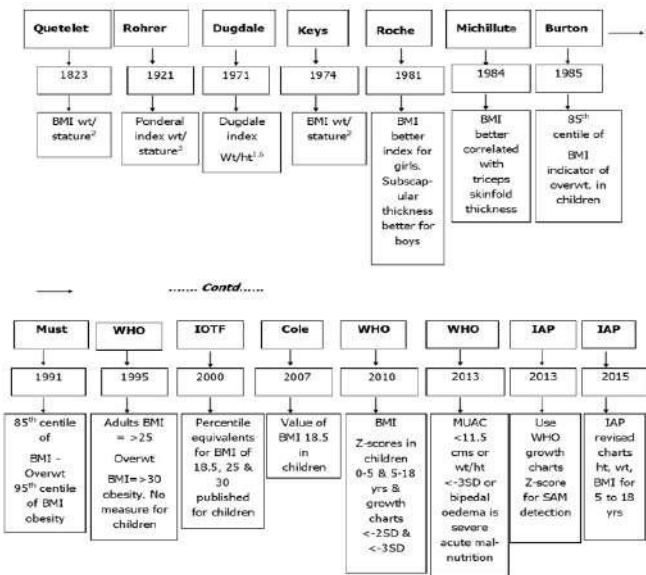


Figure 1. shows the anthropometric parameters commonly used [2].

Traditionally Stadiometers for height , Anthropometers for length and circumference of body segments, Biocondylar calipers for bone diameter, Skinfold calipers for skin thickness and subcutaneous fat and Scales for weight are used for measuring anthropometric measurements. However in general, the accuracy of the measurements depends on the techniques used by the person taking also properly trained clinical staff is required, which makes the measurement process complicated, uncomfortable, time-consuming, and trained personnel dependent.

II. NATIONAL RESEARCH ON METHODS OF ANTHROPOMETRIC MEASUREMENT USED FOR ASSESSMENT OF MALNUTRITION AMONG CHILDREN

Malnutrition among children in India remains a significant concern, with data indicating that as of the National Family Health Survey (NHFS-5) conducted between 2019-2021, 35.5% of children under five are stunted, 19.3% are wasted, and 32.1% are underweight. Child malnutrition can have profound and lasting impacts on health outcomes, affecting physical, cognitive, and emotional development. “M. Phadke” et al [32] in their paper (published in International Journal of Nutrition Jan 2020) describes the salient landmarks in evolution of anthropometry. They mentioned the various methods used for anthropometric measurement from 1823-2015 as shown in the figure mentioned below:



India has recorded the high prevalence of childhood undernutrition over the world (Nandy and Miranda 2008; Khan and Mohanty 2018). This study shows a



Figure describes the Geographical location studied

national review of anthropometric measuring methods used during time. Figure 2 provides a brief review of anthropometric parameters used for assessing malnutrition among children in national studies.

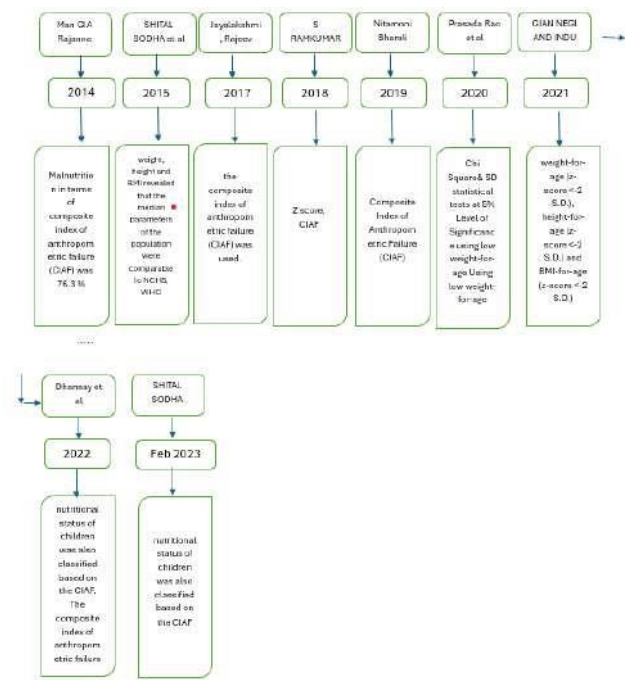


Figure defines the continuous use of CIAF for assessment of nutritional status among children.

Table1:Detailedreviewofanthropometricparametersusedwiththemethodappliedandtheircorresponding result.

Sr.no	AuthorName	TitleofPaper	Objective	Dataset	Publi shing Date	MethodUsed	Result
1	Nitamoni Bharali, Kh.NarendraSin gh,NitishMondal	CompositeIndexof Anthropometric Failure (CIAF) amongSonowal Kachari tribal preschoolchildrenofl oodeffectedregionof Assam, India	Toassessthe age- sexspecificprevale nce ofun demnutritionusing both conventionalanthr opometricmeasure s and CIAF amongSonowal Kacharitribal preschoolchildren ofAssam	362(172boysand190 girls)childrenofageunder 5 years.	May 2019	Age-sexspecificZ-score value of weight-for- age,height-for- ageandweight-for- heightwerecalculatedby using WHO-Anthroand CIAF classificationwas used to calculate theprevalence of undemnutrition	Theoverallprevalenceofwasting, underweight,stuntingandCIAFwasob servedtobe11.6%,22.9%, 36.2%, and 48.6%, respectively.Sex- specificprevalanceamong girls (61.05%)werefoundtobemoreaffec tedthanboys(34.9%)byCIAF($p < 0$. 01).
2	Seetharamanet al.	Measuringmalnutriti on - Therole ofZ- scores andtheCompositeInd exofAnthropometric Failure(CIAF)	Toestimatethe prevalence of undemnutritionamo ngunder- fivechildren in Coimbatoreslums, usingtheZ- Scoresystemofcla ssificationandCo mpositeIndexofA nthropometricFail ure(CIAF)	TheStudypopulation comprised of 400(0- 5years) slum residingchildren	Janua ry20 20	Childrenwereweighed and measured as per theWHO guidelines onanthropometry. Epi- Info2002 software packagewasusedto calculat etheZscores and for statisticalanalysis.	Asper theZscoresystem,49.6% were underweight (21.7%severely); 48.4% were stunted(20.3%severely)and20.2% werewasted (6.9% severely). Morethan two-thirds of the childrenwere undemourished.
3	SHITAL SODHA,REKH ABAJADEJAA NDHASMUKHJ OSHI	Anthropometric assessment of nutritional status ofadolescent girls ofPorbandar city ofGujaratstate.	The study provided the growth ,nutritionalassess ment and clinicalfindingsfo rtheschoolbasedp opulation(15- 18years)ofPorban darcity.	studycovered100 adolescentsintheagegrou p of 15-18 years.	April 2015	medianparametersofthe population were comparable to NCHS,WHO and ICMRstandards.	TheMAGexhibitedbetter nutritionalstatusintermsofweight for age, height for ageandBMIthantheOAG.
4	VIJAYETA PRIYADARSHI NI* and GAYATRIBISWA L	ANTHROPOMETRY ASSESSMENTOFN UTRITIONALSTAT USOFTRIBALADOL ESCENTGIRLS OF KEONJHARDISTRICT ,ODISHA	Torevealthe statisticallysignific antassociationbet weennumberof family members,familyinc omeandsocio-	The study was conductedinfive tribaldominatedblockso fKeonjhar (Banspal, Keonjhar,Harichandanp ur,Joda,Ghatgaon)amo ng301adolescentgirlsag	April- June 2023	Statisticalanalysissuch as arithmetic mean,standard deviation, percent distribution, andchi-square test ofindividuals according todifferent variables.	The mean BMI was 17.43351±1.059.Stunting, thinning was prevalent and age- wiseheightandweightwasfoundto be less than that of 50thpercentile of NCHS standards.Concludedtribal adolescent

				ed			girlsvulnerabletomalnutrition,
			economicstatus with BMI.	between16and18 years.{2021-22}			anaemiaandothernutritional problems.
5	GIAN NEGI AND INDU TALWAR	NUTRITIONAL STATUSOFTRIBALP RESCHOOLCHILDR EN OF DISTRICTKINNAU R,HIMACHALPRAD ESH	Toassessthe Nutritionalstatuso fTribalpre- schoolchildrenof KinnaurDistrict,H imachalPradesh.	Thecross-sectional sampleis based on 300children (150 boys and150girls)ranginginag efrom 2 to 6 years,belonging to differentvillages of Kinnaur.	2021	Indicesusedfor nutritional assessmentwere weight- for-age (z-score <-2 S.D.), height-for-age(z- score <-2S.D.)andBMI- for-age(z-score <-2 S.D.) based on WHO(2006& 2007) standards.	Theincidenceofwastingand underweight was substantiallymore than stunting. Girls showedmore stunting and wasting thanboys who were comparativelymore underweight.
6	DineshKumar etal	Nutritionstatusand associatedfactors among tribal preschool children of2-5 years in fivedistricts: a cross- sectional study fromthree states of India	Toreportthe nutritionstatus inpreschoolchildr enby2-5years of age among tribalchildrenfro mfivedistricts of India.	204tribalhouseholds havingachild aged2-5year	2024 May	Themultipleregression analysis was done byusingbackwardlikelihoo dratio method. The fit ofthesemodelswastestedby HosmerandLemeshowtog oodness of fit tests	Arelativelylowproportionof children were normal nutritionamong the tribal population.Socioeconomic factors, mainlythe parental education, extendedfamily were significantlyassociated with a child beingnormalnutrition.
7	AtanuAcharya 1, Gopal ChandraMandal2 ,KaushikBose3	Overallburdenof under- nutritionmeasured by aComposi teIndexinruralpre- schoolchildreninPurb aMedinipur, West Bengal,India	ToutilizeCIAF forestimatingtheo verallburdenofun der- nutritiondetermin ationinpre- schoolchildren.	The115girlsand110 boys, all of Bengaleeethnicity and agedbetween 3-6 years	June 2013	Theχ ² valuedetermined the significance of differences between genders.	studyrevealedthat30.7%ofthe study children suffered fromstunted growth, 42.7% wereunder- weightand12.0%wereinawasted condition. CIAF shows50.2% of the children had a high prevalence of under- nutrition.
8	Hemlata G. Rokade1, Ashvini C. Jidge1*,Snehal S.Nadgire2	Studyofnutritional status and feedingpracticesinund erfivechildrenfromSo lapurcity	Tostudythe proportion ofmalnutrit ionandits association withsomeofthesoc io- demographicfacto rs	Thisisacross-sectional studyconductedin 146children under 5 yearsattending UHTC OPDduringastudyperio dof2months.	2022 Aug	Samplesizecalculated was 146 using theprevalence of 35.7% ofunderweight in SolapurdistrictasperNFHS IVat5% level of significancewith 8% margin of error.Non responseerror=10%.	Infantfeedingisthemostcrucial phase which determines theprevalence of malnutrition inchildren.

9	ManjuRani1, AtvirSingh2	SocialInequalitiesin ChildNutritioninUttar Pradesh, India	Toestimateand compare the inequalityinchil dn utritionstatus across socio- demographicchara cteristicsintheUtt arPradeshstate of India.	DatafromtheNational FamilyHealthSurveys(NFHS-4&NFHS-3) wasusedforUttarPradesh.	July- Septe mber 2021	Thenutritionstatuswas assessed in terms ofundemutrition (weight- for-age), stunted (height- for-age), wasted (weight- for-height) and anaemialevel. SPSS.20 Used.	Despitethedecliningtrendof childhood malnutrition in UttarPradesh, the socially backwards have a disproportionately higherburden of malnutrition.
10	Singh,Aabha; Sundaram,Shant hosh P; Ningombam,Joe nnaDevi	Undernutritionanditsd eterminantsamongun der- fivechildreninatribalc ommunityofMeghalaya	Todeterminethe prevalence and the factors associatedwithun demutritionamong thetribalunder- fivechildren.	196under-fivechildren residinginthevillageund ertheruralfieldpracticea reaofNorthEastemIndir aGandhiRegionalInstitu teofHealthandMedicalS ciences(NEIGRIHMS), Meghalaya.	Jan 2024.	Anthropometric measurements, such asheight, weight, and mid-upper armcircumference,were measured for all thechildren, and Z- scoreswerecalculatedforw eightforage,heightforage,a ndweight for height.	Therewasasignificant association for girls with wastingand education of the mother andbirth weight with stunting.
11	Chawla,Suraj et al	Undernutrition andassociatedfactors amongchildren1- 5yearsofageinrurala rea of Haryana,India.	Toestimate the prevalence of ndemutritionamon gunder- fivechildrenandto determine the associatedfactors.	From selected Anganwadi Centre, 20children of 15 years ofagegroupwereelecte dby simple randomsampling, thus, asample of 600 childrenwas included in thestudy.	Aug 2020	Pearson'sChisquaretest was used. All tests wereperformedata5%level ofsignificance. Height wasmeasured by Stadiometerorinfantomete r.	Childrenwithahistoryofpre- lacteal feeding had higherprevalence of stunting,underweight,andwastingt hanthechildren with no history of pre-lacteal feeding.
12	Gagan Bihari Sahu	Primitivetribesand undernutrition: astudyofKatkaritribef rom Maharashtra,India	To examines nutritionalanaemi aamongKatkarich ildrenandwomen.	total82children whoseageis<10	Oct 2019	WHO growth standards that includestunting (low heightfor age), wasting (lowweightforheight),a ndunderweight (lowweight for age) interms of Z-score	Itisobservedthatthepercentage of body fat mass increases withage up to 60–65years in bothsexesandishigherinwomentha nin men of equivalent BMI. As per CIAF, 65.4% Katkarichildrenwereundernou rished
13	DebasisGhosh etal	Theprevalenceof undernutritionamongt he Santal childrenand quality of life oftheir households: astudy from hillyregion of WestBengal,India	todeterminethe prevalence of undernutritionamo ngrtheSantalchildr en of AjodhyaGram Panchayat ofPurulia district ofWest Bengal,India.	Atotalnumberof307 children aged inbetween5– 10years were evaluated	Mar 2021	Standardanthropometric techniques,suchasheight- for-age, weight-for- ageand body mass index for-age to determine theprevalence of stunting,wasting and underweightconditions of the Santaltribal children	Thestudyreveals theoccurrence of undernutrition among childrenis closely associated with poorquality of life of households ofAjodhya.

14	Jayalakshmi, Rajeev; Jissa, VinodaThulasee dharan	NutritionalStatusof Mid-Day MealPro grammeBeneficiaries. ACross-sectionalStudyamong Primary Schoolchildren inKottay am District, Kerala,India	Assessed the nutritionalstatusof 6–10-year-olds schoolchildren whowerethebenef iciariesofMDMan dthechild-relatedfactors.	322childrenfrom12 randomly selectedprimary schools in oneblock panchayat ofKeralastate.	Apr– Jun2017	thecompositeindexof anthropometric failure (CIAF) was used.	nutritionalstatusofchildrenwas not satisfactory and birth weightturned to be the important factor affecting the nutritional status ofthese children.
15	R.ThakurandR. K.Gautam	Assessment of nutritional statusamong girls of 5-18years of age of aCentral Indian City(Sagar)	Thepresentcross-sectional study assesses the prevalence ofunder nutritionamong school-goinggirlsofcentr alIndia.	Atotalof312girlsof age cohort of 5– 18years were included.Height-for-age,weight-for-age and body massindexforagewereus edto evaluate theirnutritionalstatus	Augu st6, 2015	z-scoreandcomposite index of anthropometricfailure were alsocomputed	Thestudyrevealsthatthepresent studied girlshavelowmean bodyweight andtheyareshortinstaturethan the reference population(NCHS).
16	Mohit Goyal,NidhiSingh,RichaKapoor ,1AnitaVerma,1a ndPratimaGedam1	Assessment ofNutritionalStatuso fUnder-FiveChildrenin an UrbanArea ofSouth Delhi, India	Toestimate the prevalence ofunde nutritionamongch ildrenunderfiveye ars ofagebyutilizin gthe CIAFand theWHO growth charts.	1332childrenunder the ageoffiveyears participat ed in afacility-based,descriptive, cross-sectional study atFatehpur Beri,UrbanPrimary Health Center.	2023 Feb	Theunder-nutritional statusofchildrenwasalsocl assifiedbasedontheCIAFu sing Nandy etal.'s model of six groups	Accordingtothefindings ofthis study, the prevalence ofundemutrition among the studyparticipants was substantial
17	Dhansay1,A. N. Sharma2 andSarvendraYadav3	CompositeIndexof AnthropometricFailur eamongbelowfive Children ofKorba Block,Chhatti sgarh,India	Toassess the nutritionalstatusb yCIAFamongbelo w five childrenofKorbab lock,Chhattisgarh, India	Across-sectionalstudy wasconductedamong 182 (90 male and 92female) below fivechildren in anganwadicentres of four villagespurposively.	2022	Thecompositeindexof anthropometric failurewas measured UsingSPSS.	Thestudyfurther suggestedthe composite index ofanthropometr ic failure will behelpful to identify the healthdeterminants and type ofinterventionrequiredbyassessin gsingl e, dual or multipleanthropometricfailures.
18	S RAMKUMAR1 etal	Z-ScoreandCIAF–A Descriptive Measureto Determine Prevalence ofUnder-Nutrition in RuralSchool Children,Puducherry, India	Todeterminethe magnitude and compare the prevalence of undemutritionusin g z-scoreandCIAFofr uralarea.	Total792school children were enrolledfromsixschools duringNovember2013a nd January2014.	May 2018	Thez-score fornutritional indices were calculatedusing WHO Anthro-Software. Statistical analysis was done usingEPI-Info7.Chi-squaretestwas used to find theassociations. Ap-value	byusingCIAFclassification, undernourished children weredisseminated into differentgroups, which helps to identifychildren with multipleanthropom etricfailures.

19	Krutarth R Brahmbhattetal	Role of new anthropometricindices ,validityofmuacandweech'sformulaindetectingunder-nutritionamong under-fivechildren in karnataka	Tojustifyuseof newanthropometri cindicator- CIAFandthreene windices namely UI, WI and SI.	Thestudyincluded171 children under the ageoffiveyears,whowere referred from theanganwadis of DakshinaKannada	2012	calculatedthenew anthropometric indicesnamely SI, UI andWI.LikelihoodratioswerecalculatedforMUACandWeech'sformula. ComparedthecommonlyusedAnthroindicators interms of their sensitivity,specificity and predictivevalue	Weech'sformulaisasensitiveandspecific toolto identifytoundermourished children
20	Prasada Rao Udaragudi1 ,SamsonSanjeeva Rao Nallapu2,TSRSai3	Assessment of Nutritional Status ofUnderfiveChildreninaLowSocio-Economic UrbanCommunityofGunturcity in AP State	To identify malnutrition inunderfivechildren in a low socio-economic urbanarea of Gunturcity	Weightsandheights were measured for 740underfivechildren(367boys and 373 girls)according to WHOGuidelines	2020	Chi Square& SD statisticaltestsat5%Level of Significanc	Usinglowweight-for-ageasthe only criterion may underestimatethe true prevalence of undernutrition.Itisalsoseen that undernutritioninthe first yearoflife issignificantly higher both in boysandgirls.
	ManojRajanna Talapalliwar& BishanS.Garg https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s12098-014-1358-y	NutritionalStatusand its Correlates AmongTribal Children ofMelghat, CentralIndia	Tofindoutthe magnitude andepidemiologicaldeterminantsofmalnutritionamong0–6ytribal children.	Theinformationof540 children in the agegroup0–6ywascollected.	21 Marc h2014	indicesofmalnutrition (underweight, stuntingand wasting) andcomposite index ofanthropometric failure(CIAF). Univariate andmultiple logistic regression analysis wereused to find out thecorrelatesofmalnutrition.	Theprevalenceofmalnutrition among these tribal children interms of underweight, stunting,and wastingwere 60.9%, 66.4%and18.8%respectively.Malnutrition in terms ofcomposite index ofanthropometric failure (CIAF)was 76.3 %

It shows that overall all cross-sectional studies say that Composite Index of Anthropometric Failure (CIAF) provides the overall magnitude of undernutrition as an aggregate single measure over the traditional anthropometric indices and helps in identifying the prevalence of malnutrition among children.

The formula for the Composite Index of Anthropometric Failure (CIAF) is $CIAF = 1 - A / A + B + C + D + E + F + G + Y$.

According to the CIAF, undernutrition is classified as either anthropometric failure or no failure. Anthropometric failure is further divided into six sub-groups (labelled A-F) as follows: A – (no anthropometric failure), B – (wasting only), C – (wasting and underweight), D – (wasting, stunting and underweight), E – (stunting and underweight), F – (stunting only) and Y – (underweight only).

The CIAF is an anthropometric index that combines three other indices to determine the nutritional status of children under five years old: Weight-for-age (WAZ), Length/height-for-age (HAZ), and Weight-for-length/height (WHZ).

III. ML TECHNIQUES USED FOR ANTHROPOMETRIC MEASUREMENT

AI techniques, such as ML, deep learning algorithms (CNN, Fast CNN), Soft Computing (ANN) etc. have remarkably succeeded in various healthcare applications. These algorithms can extract intricate patterns and relationships from large scale medical datasets, enabling predictive modeling, risk stratification, and early disease detection.

In many aspects of human life such as calculating nutritional status [3], clinical examinations [4], medicine [5], dietetics [6], biomechanics [7–12], sports [13,14], and in the clothing industry [15–18] anthropometric study plays an important role. The usage of anthropometry became popular due to its simplicity, non invasive procedure, ease of use, quickness, no use of radiation, no need for special instrumentation, etc. But this also comes with some drawbacks such as for the measurement of anthropometric indices we need measuring tools and properly trained personnel which make the

measurement process complicated, uncomfortable, time-consuming, and trained personnel dependent [19,20].

To overcome the above challenges automatic measuring system comes into light with the help of smartphone photography [25,26], optical systems [21,22,27], sensor-based technology [23,24], and CCTV images [28]. These technologies further leverage the capabilities with the help of Machine Learning. Many studies are done to predict the anthropometric metrics using the latest technologies. Table below justifies the work done.

Table describes the various application areas where anthropometric parameters are used to predict hazardous health risks by applying ML techniques such as KNN, SVM, Regression Analysis, Random Forest etc. Among them generally used is regression but SVM and RF termed best in concern with accuracy and efficiency.

IV. COCLUSION

Accurate public health surveillance relies on health analysis to detect patterns, trends, and health risks. Anthropometric measures are used for basic health surveillance. The study of differences in organismal forms, with an emphasis on the size and shape of biological forms among populations, is known as anthropometry. An overview of the anthropometric measures used to measure child malnutrition in national studies is given in this paper, which also comes to the conclusion that the Composite Index of Anthropometric Failure (CIAF) is a better tool than traditional measures for determining the prevalence of child malnutrition.

The paper also discusses different machine learning algorithms that are used to digital anthropometrics in order to predict different harmful health hazards.

Sr.no	Title	Author	Objective	MLtechniqueused	Result
1	Deriving mapping functions to tie anthropometric measurements to body mass index via interpretable machine learning https://doi.org/10.1016/j.mlwa.2022.100259 sciencedirect	M.Z.Naser	1) Predicting BMI 2) Mapping Anthropometric to BMI	ML Algorithms: Extreme Gradient Boosted Trees, Light Gradient Boosted Trees, Random Forest, and Keras Slim Residual Network. Methods: Mean Absolute Error (MAE), Mean Absolute Percentage Error (MAPE), Root Mean Squared Error (RMSE), and Coefficient of Determination (R ²) Database: anthropometric measurements taken from 252 men	Results from the current ML analysis indicate the strong influence of chest, abdomen, and hip on higher BMIs. (0.5–1.0, 0.3–0.5, 0.3–0.1, 0.0–0.1)
2	Height and Weight Estimation From Anthropometric Measurements Using Machine Learning Regressions doi:10.1109/JTEHM.2018.2797983 IEEE	Diego Rativa, Bruno J.T. Fernandes, and Alexandre Roque	To study of the application of different learning models to estimate height and weight from anthropometric measurements	ML Algorithm: Support Vector Regression, Gaussian Process, and Artificial Neural Networks are compared. Methods: Root Mean Square Error (RMSE) RMSE value of 2.11 and an R-Squared of 0.84 Database: Anthropometric data corresponds to 14783 adults subjects from NHANES III database.	Gaussian Process Regression) shows the best result in Weight and Height prediction . ACI (confidence interval) of 94% with limits of 11.2cm and 13.5cm is obtained with conventional regression models, whereas, a CI of 95% with limit of 6.7cm and 9.0cm, is achieved with GPR.
3	Body fat prediction through feature extraction based on anthropometric and laboratory measurements 10.1371/journal.pone.0263333	Zongwen Fan 2022 Feb	this study investigates the effectiveness of feature extraction for body fat prediction. It evaluates the performance of three feature extraction approaches by comparing four well-known prediction models.	Algorithm: In this study, we apply FA, PCA and ICA to extract critical features using four machine learning methods—MLP, SVM, Random Forest (RF) [32], and eXtreme Gradient Boosting (XGBoost) [33]—to predict the body fat percentage. Method: We consider five metrics, that is, the mean absolute error (MAE), standard deviation (SD), root mean square error (RMSE), robustness (MAC) and efficiency, in the evaluation process. Database: 252 samples with 13 input features and one output feature.	Among all the prediction models, XGBoost with FA for feature extraction shows the best prediction accuracy (MAE = 3.433, SD = 4.188 and RMSE = 4.248) XGBoost-FA performs the best for predicting the body fat percentage in terms of MAE, RMSE, SD and MAC
4	Breast Cancer Prediction with Gaussian Process Using Anthropometric Parameters. IEEE	Sheikh Tonmoy et al 6-8 July 2021	early determination of breast cancer.	Random Forest (RF), Logistic Regression (LR), Support Vector Machine (SVM), and Gaussian Process (GP) classifiers, joined with testing unique and novel biomarkers.	The dataset was divided into 80% for the training phase, and 20% for the testing phase. Results show that Gaussian Process performed well with 90% test exactness on the order task.
5	Performance Evaluation of Machine Learning Algorithms for Sarcopenia Diagnosis in Older Adults DOI:10.3390/healthcare11192699	Su Özgür	The aim of this study was to identify the important risk factors for sarcopenia diagnosis and compare the performance of machine learning (ML) algorithms in the early detection of potential sarcopenia	Dataset: involving 160 participants aged 65 years and over who resided in a community. ML Algorithms were applied by selecting 11 features—sex, age, BMI, presence of hypertension, presence of diabetes mellitus, SARC-F score, MNA score, calf circumference (CC), gait speed, handgrip strength (HS), and mid-upper arm circumference (MUAC)—from a pool of 107 clinical variables.	The highest accuracy values were achieved by the ALL (male + female) model using LightGBM (0.931), random forest (RF; 0.927), and XGBoost (0.922) algorithms. In the female model, the support vector machine (SVM; 0.939), RF (0.923), and k-nearest neighbors (KNN; 0.917) algorithms performed the best.
6	Automatic Anthropometric System Development Using Machine Learning	Long The Nguyen et al	The contactless automatic anthropometric system is proposed for the reconstruction of the 3D-model of the human body using the conventional smartphone	Graph cuts method and Iterative Closest Point (ICP) algorithm. Canny edge detection operator (Liyuan Li, 2006) and morphology are used to find the body silhouette. Histogram equalization is used for adjusting image intensities to enhance contrast	RF and SVM using the SVM classifier and Random Forest with trees 100, 200, 300, 400, 500 datasets the running time of Random Forest is greater comparing with SVM, but Random Forest provides higher accuracy SVM.

7	Hypertension Prediction in Adolescent Using Anthropometric Measurements: Do Machine Learning Models Perform Equally Well?	SooSe eChaie t al 2022	The objectives of the study are two-fold: (a) investigate the feasibility of anthropometric measurements and simple demographic data for hypertension prediction, and (b) implement, evaluate, and analyze the performance of the thirteen different ML models for hypertension prediction in adolescents using easy-to-collect data.	A total of 2461 data samples were collected from 13 ML models scored using demographic data and anthropometric measurements. The models were evaluated in terms of accuracy, precision, sensitivity, specificity, F1-score, and ROC curve. The results showed that the ensemble models (Random Forest, Support Vector Machine, and XGBoost) performed best, with accuracy ranging from 85% to 90% for training and 10% for testing. References [1] Raval, H. L., & Marfat, S. P. (2022). Accuracy of anthropometric measurements for predicting hypertension in adolescents. <i>International Journal of Health Sciences</i>, 6(S3), 5729–5734. https://doi.org/10.53739/ijhs.v6i3.5729 thirteen ML models of three categories: neural network (Multilayer Perceptron), classical model (Logistic Regression, Decision Tree, Naïve Bayes, k-Nearest Neighbor), and ensemble model (Random Forest, Support Vector Machine, Boosting, XGBoost, LightGBM, and LogitBoost) to predict hypertension.
8	Predicting the Risk of Hypertension Based on Several Easy-to-Collect Risk Factors: A Machine Learning Method	Zhao et al. 2021	objectives: (a) investigate the feasibility of anthropometric measurements and simple demographic data for hypertension prediction, (b) implement, evaluate, and analyze the performance of the thirteen different ML models for hypertension prediction	dataset of 29,700 participants aged 18–64 years old to deploy four ML models, namely Random Forest (RF), CatBoost, Multi-Layer Perceptron (MLP), and Logistic Regression (LR). The data were randomly divided into training and testing sets (8:2 ratio). The models' performance was measured by the Area Under the Curve (AUC), accuracy, and F1 score. The results showed that the RF model performed best, with AUC = 0.92, accuracy = 0.82, and F1 score = 0.87. References [1] Jones, P., & Baker, A. (2021). Predicting hypertension risk using anthropometric measurements. <i>Journal of Human Hypertension</i>, 35(1), 1–8. https://doi.org/10.1177/0954679421101116
9	Application of machine learning in predicting non-alcoholic fatty liver disease using anthropometric and body composition indices	Farkhondeh Razmpour	Aim of this study was to apply machine learning (ML) method to identify significant classifiers of NAFLD using body composition and anthropometric variables.	among 513 individuals aged 13 years old or above in Iran. The ML models used were k-Nearest Neighbor (k-NN), Support Vector Machine (SVM), Radial Basis Function (RBF) Neural Network (NN), and Decision Tree (DT). The results showed that the SVM model performed best, with accuracy of 82%, 52%, and 57% for the three different body composition indices. References [1] Farkhondeh, R., & Razmpour, F. (2021). Application of machine learning in predicting non-alcoholic fatty liver disease using anthropometric and body composition indices. <i>Journal of Human Hypertension</i>, 35(1), 1–8. https://doi.org/10.1177/0954679421101116
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