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眼底水肿病变区域自动分割

参赛队：DeepSeg

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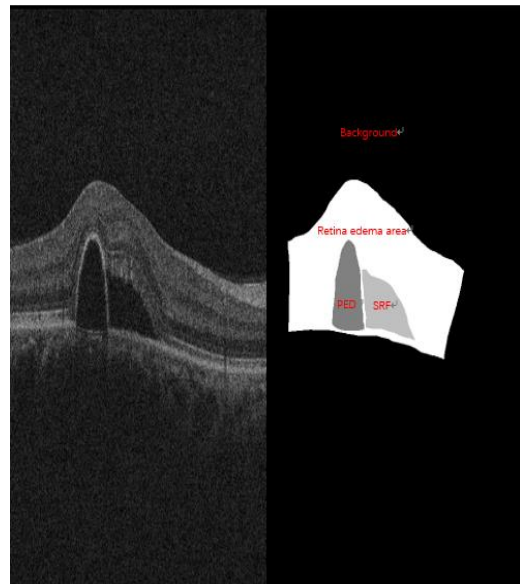
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1.1 Background

- Retinal edema is an eye disease that can cause blurry vision and affect normal life.
- **OCT (optical coherence tomography)** can be used to assist doctors in the judgment of retinal edema.
- Early detection of edema symptoms can play a key role in the treatment of the disease.
- Our task is to design algorithms to automatically **detect** the type of retinal edema and **segment** the area of retinal edema based on OCT images.



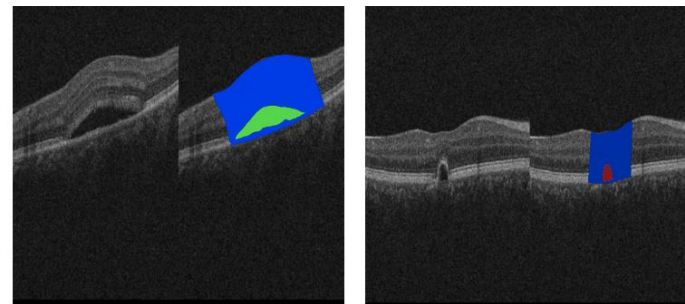
1.2 Data Overview

- Data statistical information

Stage	Mean	Deviation	Shape	Number
train	36.68	25.01	128*512*1024	70
val	36.47	24.71	128*512*1024	15
test	35.73	24.12	128*512*1024	15

Stage	Level	Class 1	Class 2	Class 3
train	patient	70	55	29
	slice	4664	2934	402
	pixel	2.91E+08	3.96E+07	1.29E+06
	size	62355	13502	3223
val	patient	15	8	6
	slice	834	360	41
	pixel	4.79E+07	4.36E+06	2.81E+04
	size	57399	12113	684

- Data visualization



Val : 0012

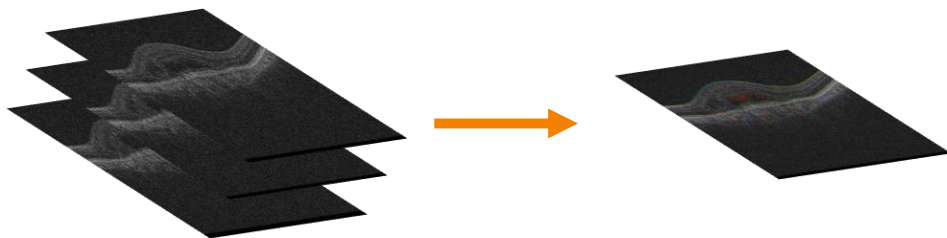
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- Edge bending of the retina
- Inclusion relationship between lesions

1.3 Data Preprocess

- Stack the upper and lower slices to form a three-channel input



- Normalization

$$x_i^* = \frac{x_i - \mu_i}{\sigma_i}$$

where μ_i is the mean of the image in channel i

σ_i is the deviation of the image in channel i

x_i is the pixel value of the image position x in channel i

- Data augmentation(Only Random Horizontal Flip)

1.4 Problems and challenges

- How can the two tasks(segmentation and detection) promote each other?
 - Multi-task learning framework
- Multi-scale of the retinal edema lesions
 - UNet and UNet++
- Sample imbalance among three type of retinal edema
 - Exponential logarithmic loss
- How to enlarge receptive field to detect edge bending?
 - Dilated module

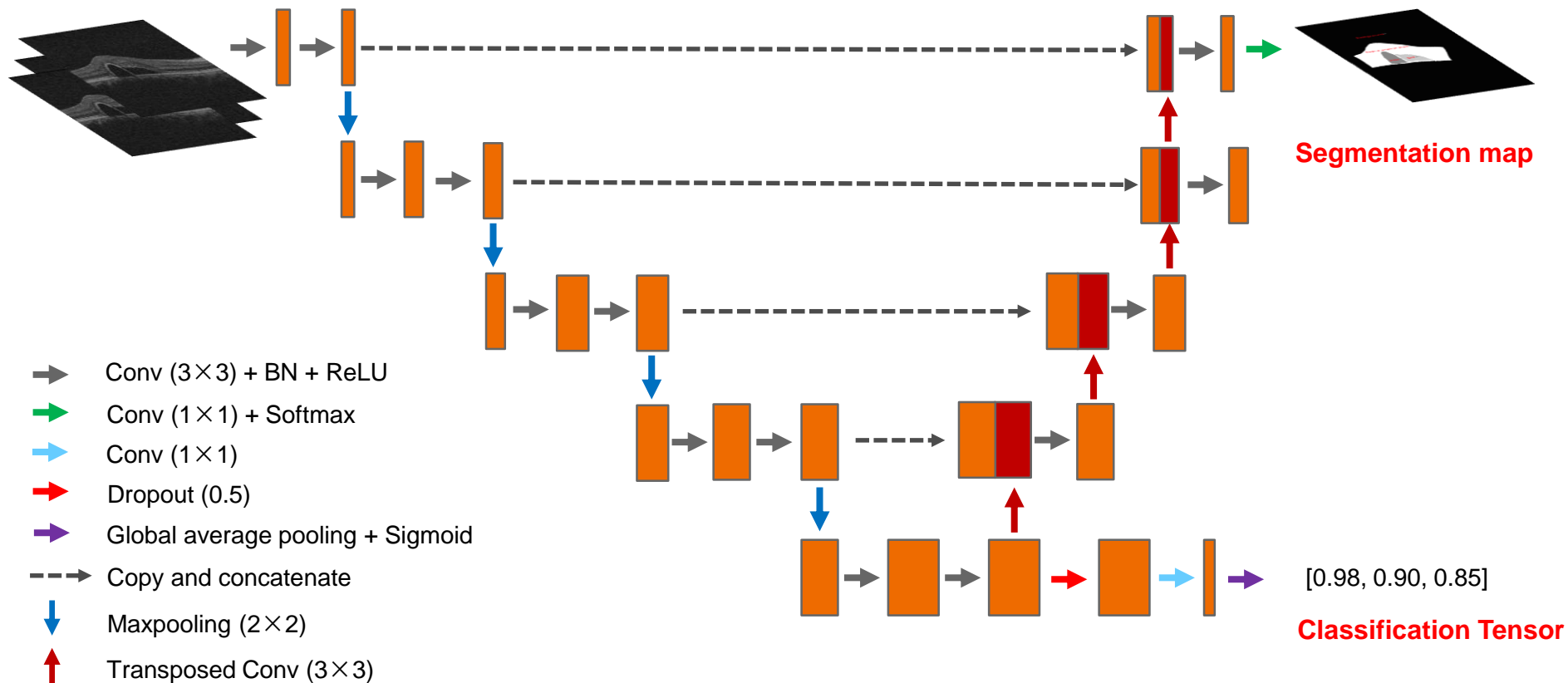
2.1 Baseline

- Segmentation – UNet
 - Downsample 16×
 - Channel : [16,32,64,128,256]
 - Input : original image
- Detection – ResNet18
 - Resize 224*224

Model	Multi-Task	Params	Loss	Val_Dice	Val_Auc	Test_Dice	Test_Auc
ResNet18(pre*)	No	11.18 M	BCE	-	0.971	-	0.9036
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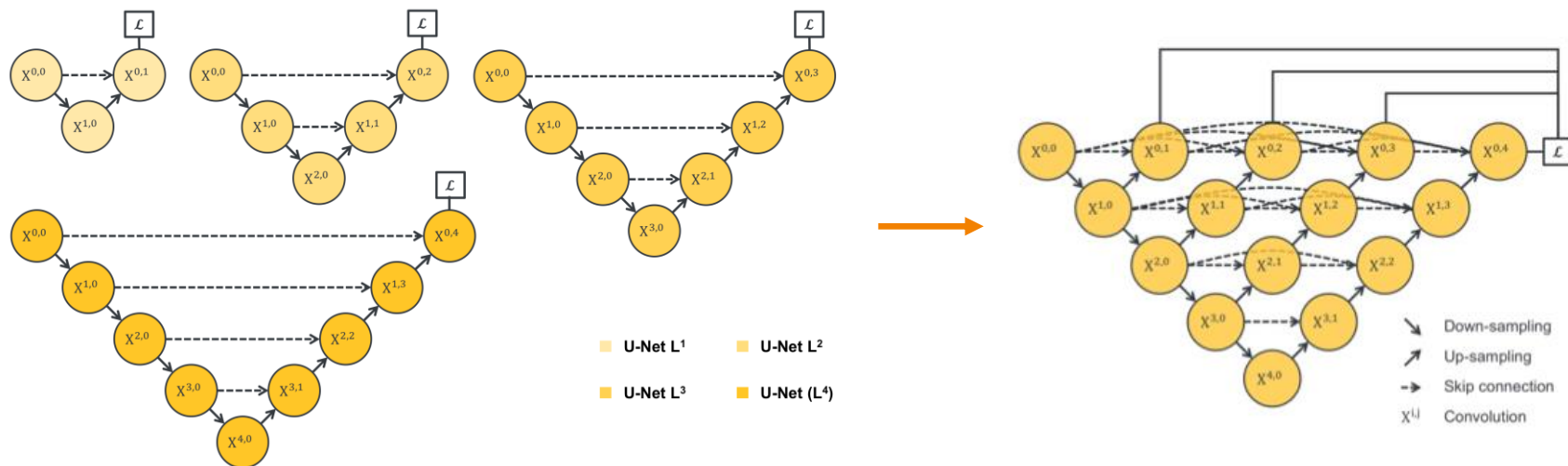
- Jointly learn the segmentation and detection
- Reduce time and computational cost
- Improve the effects of both tasks

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2.3 UNet++ & DeepSupervision

- Dense future connection
- Deep Supervision
- Fuse low-level and high-level feature more effectively



Reference : Zhou Z, Siddiquee M M R, Tajbakhsh N, et al. Unet++: A nested u-net architecture for medical image segmentation[M]//Deep Learning in Medical Image Analysis and Multimodal Learning for Clinical Decision Support. Springer, Cham, 2018: 3-11.

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2.4 Exponential Logarithmic Loss

$$Loss = L_{Seg} + L_{cls} = L_{ELDice} + L_{CE} + L_{BCE}$$

$$L_{ELDice} = E(f_{\gamma}(Dice_i)) = E((- \ln(Dice_i))^{\gamma}) \quad (\gamma = 0.5)$$

$$Dice_i = \frac{2 \cdot \sum_x \delta_{il}(x) p_i(x) + \epsilon}{\sum_x (\delta_{il}(x) + p_i(x)) + \epsilon}$$

x : pixel position

δ_{il} : Kronecker delta

i : label

ϵ : pseudocount for
additive smoothing

l : ground truth label at x

$p_i(x)$: Softmax probability which acts as the portion of pixel x owned by label i

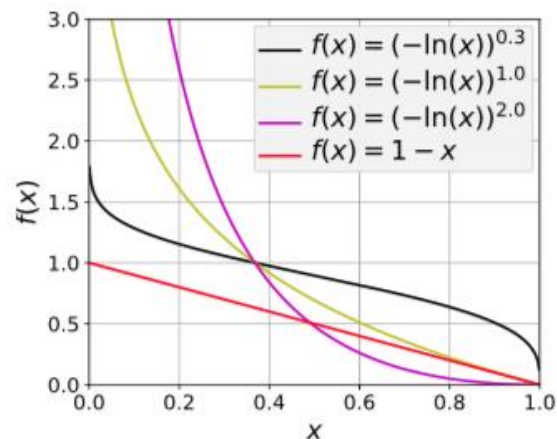


Figure 1. Loss functions with different nonlinearities, where x can be $Dice_i$.

Reference : Wong K C L, Moradi M, Tang H, et al. 3d segmentation with exponential logarithmic loss for highly unbalanced object sizes[C]//International Conference on Medical Image Computing and Computer-Assisted Intervention. Springer, Cham, 2018: 612-619.

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How about small object segmentation?(class 2,3)

Model	Loss	Dice	Dice_1	Dice_2	Dice_3
UNet++	WCE+ Dice+BCE	0.784	0.761	0.832	0.760
UNet++	WCE+ ELDice+BCE	0.799	0.755	0.859	0.784

2.5 Dilated Module

- Receptive field calculation formula

$$RF_l = RF_{l-1} + (k_l - 1) \times \prod_{i=0}^{l-1} s_i \times d_l, l \geq 1, RF_0 = 1$$

where RF_l is the receptive field of layer l

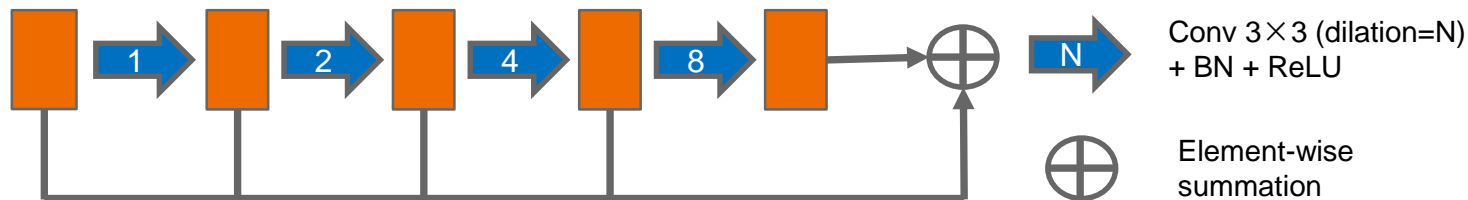
k_l is the kernel size of layer l

s_i is the strider of layer i

d_l is the dilation of layer l

- Receptive field of UNet encoder

Dilated rate	Stage	Receptive Field
-	1	5
-	2	14
-	3	32
-	4	68
-	5	140
1,2,4	5	364
1,2,4,8	5	620



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Dilated Unet++	Yes	5.32 M	WCE+ ELDice+BCE	0.807 (+0.035)	0.978 (+0.006)	-	-

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How about big object segmentation?(class 1)

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Dilated UNet++	WCE+ ELDice+BCE	0.807	0.769	0.863	0.789

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Unet & Unet++ Fusion	-	-	-	0.805 (+0.033)	0.991 (+0.020)	0.744 (+0.061)	0.986 (+0.082)

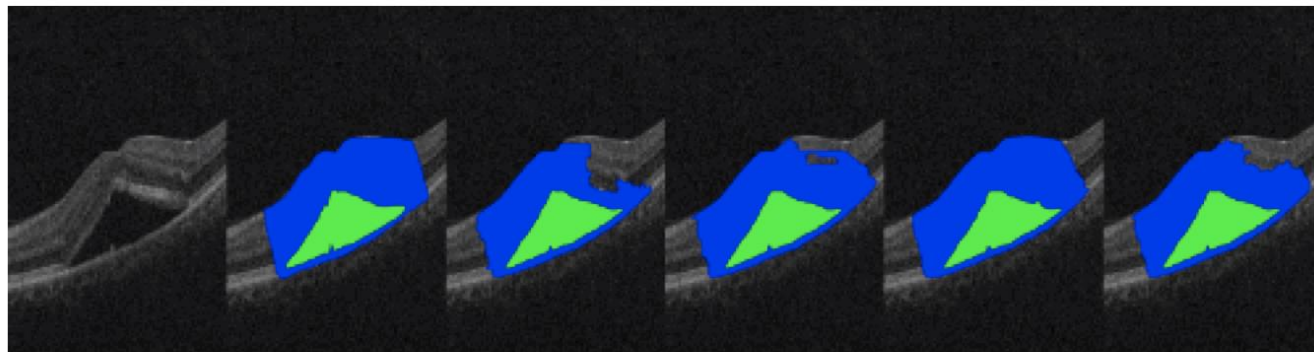
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- Memory : 7.3 G(batch=8), Inference time : 9.5 s/patient

3.2 Visualization

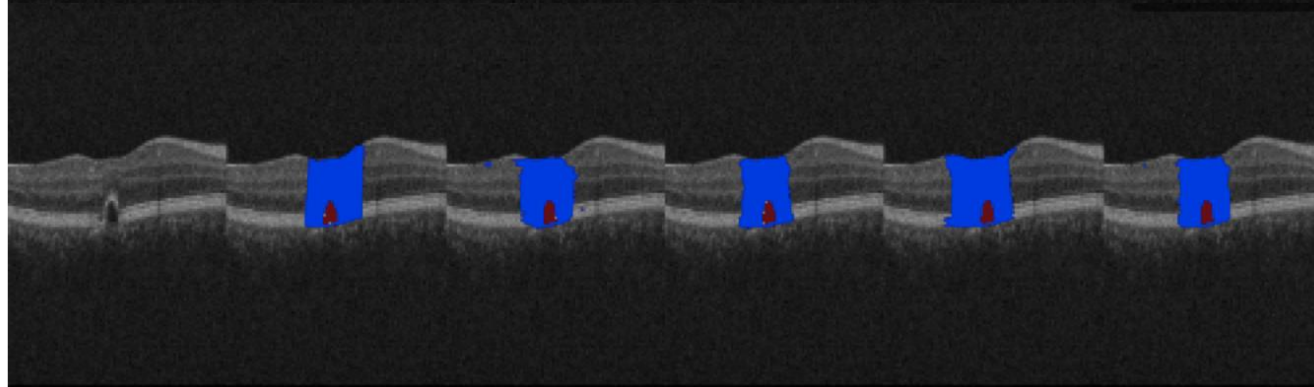
Image Ground Truth UNet Unet++ Dilated UNet++ Fusion

Val : 0010



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3.3 Future Work

- Detection framework (Mask R-CNN)
- 3D semantic segmentation model
- Use Res-block or Dense-block in backbone
- Consider the relation of lesions

3.4 Conclusion

- Build an end-to-end **multi-task framework** that can simultaneously detect and segment retinal edema lesions.
- Use the latest **UNet++** model to better integrate high-level and low-level features.
- Use a novel **exponential logarithmic loss** function to enhance the segmentation of two types of small lesions.
- Introduce the **dilated convolution module**, which significantly increases the receptive field of the model.
- Only random horizontal flip data augmentation and no post-processing.
- The dice of single model on the test set is **0.736**. The dice of fusion model on the test set is **0.744** and the detection AUC is **0.986**. In addition, the memory of inference stage is 7.3G when we set batch is 8 and the inference time is 9.5s per patient.

3.5 Acknowledge

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Thank You!
Welcome the questions and advice.

Code:

<https://github.com/ShawnBIT/AI-challenger-Retinal-Edema-Segmentation>

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