

Project Draft - Brain Tumor Classification

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1 Introduction

In this project, we aim to develop a deep learning model using the EfficientNet CNN architecture to classify brain tumors from MRI images. A brain tumor is abnormal cell growth that can occur in any part of the brain or skull. There are over 120 types of brain tumors. The 5-year survival rate for those with cancerous brain or CNS tumors is about 34% for men and 36% for women. Given the high mortality rate, early detection and treatment are critical for improving outcomes. MRI is the best method for detecting tumors, but manual analysis by radiologists is error-prone due to the complexity of brain tumors. This project aims to provide a secondary tool to automate detection and provide additional layer of accuracy to radiologists.

2 Task

The goal of the model is to classify brain tumors into one of the four categories given an MRI image of the brain:

1. **Glioma Tumor:** A type of intra-axial brain tumor that originates in the glial cells, most often found in the cerebrum (the large, outer part of the brain), but also in the cerebellum (base of the brain).
2. **Meningioma Tumor:** A type of brain tumor that originates in the meninges, which are the outer three layers of tissue between the skull and the brain.
3. **Pituitary Tumor:** An abnormal growth in the pituitary gland, located at the base of the brain, behind the back of the nose.
4. **No Tumor**

3 Dataset

The dataset our group chose is the **Brain Tumor Classification (MRI)** dataset from Kaggle. It contains a training set of approximately 800 images for glioma, meningioma, and pituitary tumors, with an additional 400 images of healthy MRI brain scans. It also contains a testing set of approximately 100 images for each case. If needed an additional dataset with the same tumor classification can be merged to increase the size of the dataset.

For more details, visit:

<https://www.kaggle.com/datasets/sartajbhuvaaji/brain-tumor-classification-mri/data>.

4 How will we go Forward/Roles

We decided on four roles that each person will focus on. Each of us has our task, but we still help out others when needed, as well as other aspects of the project that may be needed to complete it. This will allow us to each have a task, ensuring everyone contributes while also learning from one another about their work.

- **Data ingestion, augmentation, & processing:** Hugo Gomez
- **Modeling aka building the EfficientNet:** Bryan Lee
- **Train/Evaluate:** Arjun Gill
- **Data modeling/visualization:** Demetrio Ricardo Calimag

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