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# Integrating Bayesian Deep Learning Uncertainties in Medical Image Analysis

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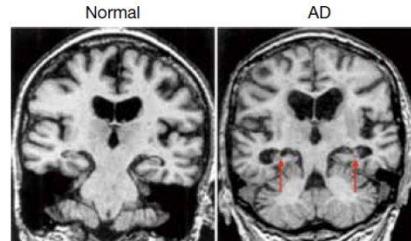
Thesis





# Machine Learning and Medical Imaging

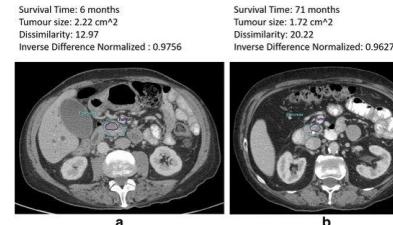
Machine learning (ML) in medical imaging has **HUGE** potential for assisting in:



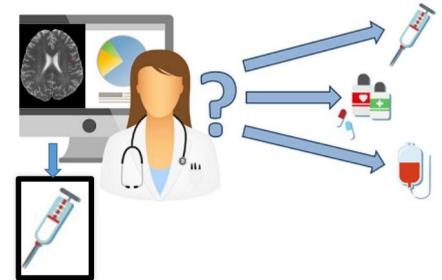
Compliment of Scanning Department, St. Teresa's Hospital

## Disease Development

Patient  
diagnosis



## Outcome Prediction



## Personalized Medicine

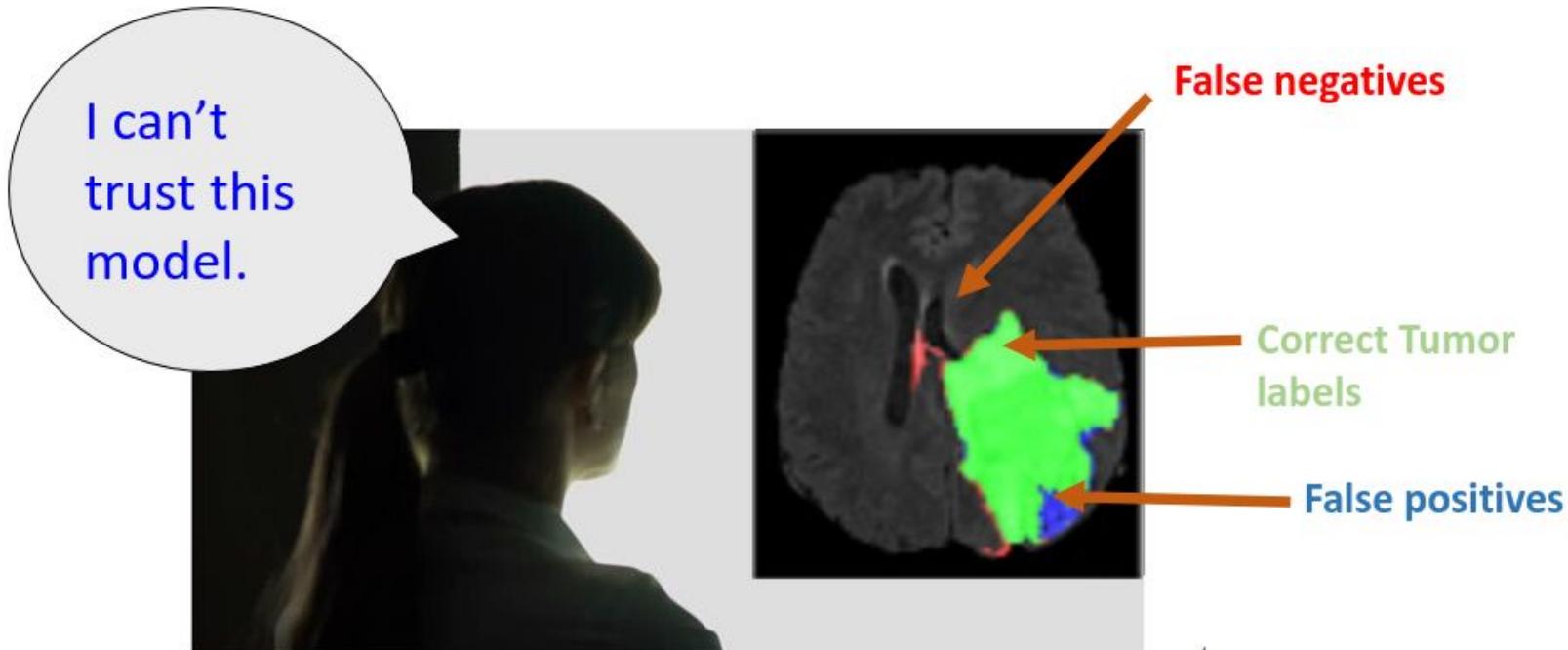


# Machine Learning and Medical Imaging

- Wide variety of successful ML frameworks for segmentation, classification in medical imaging
- However, resulting approaches have not yet been widely integrated into real clinical practice!
  - Why is that?

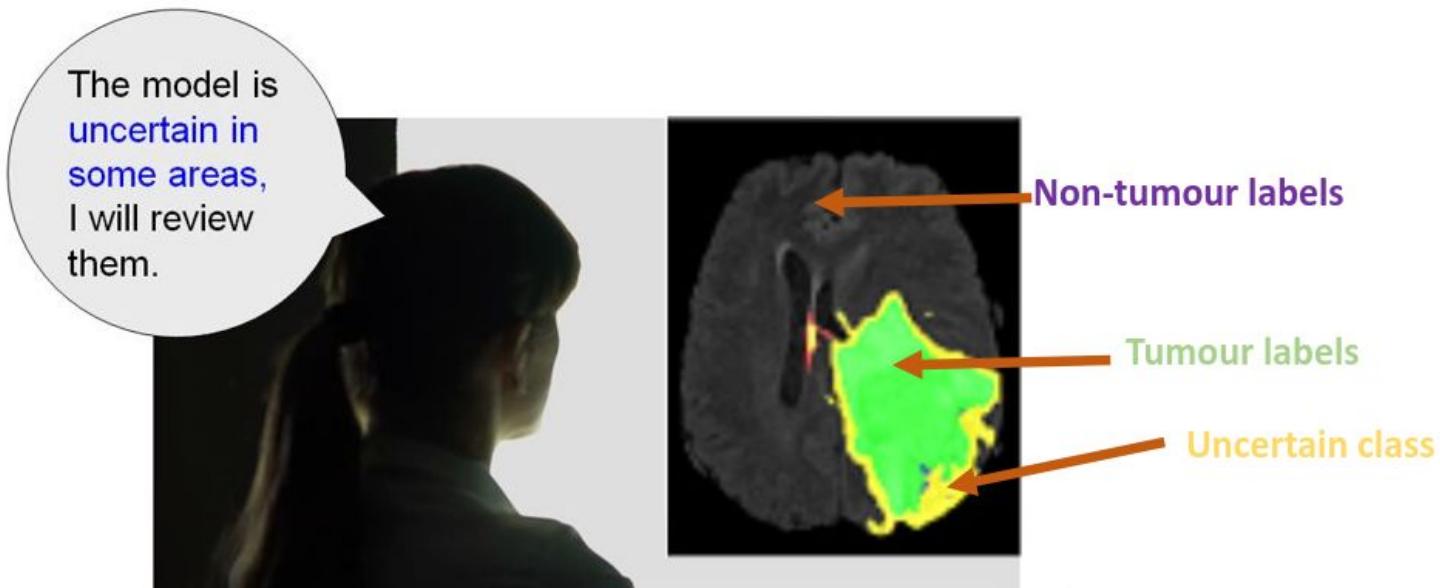
# Open Problem: ML in Medical Imaging

- Most ML models can make mistakes



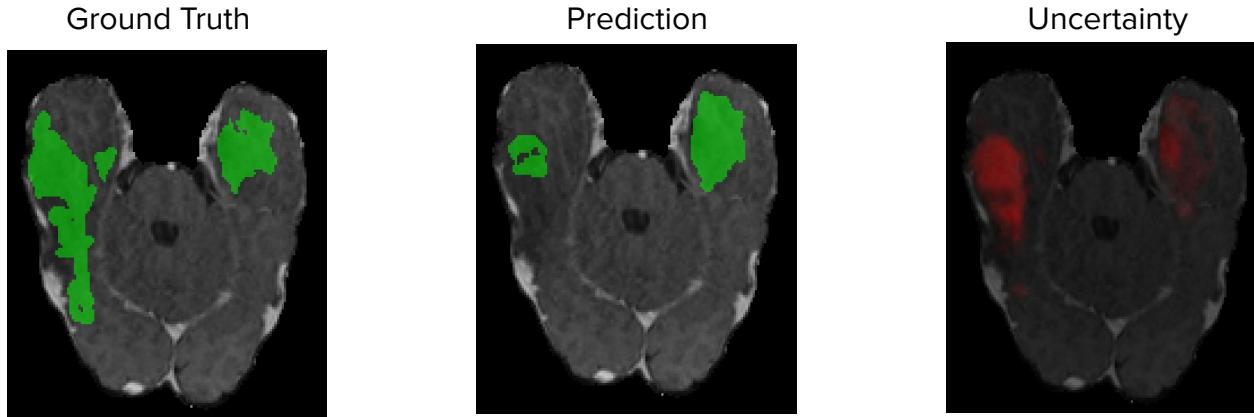
# Solution: ML in Medical Imaging

- Trust can be build with the notion of **uncertainties** associated with the model output



# Thesis Contributions

- Uncertainty aware medical image analysis framework
  - Uncertainty Evaluation Score

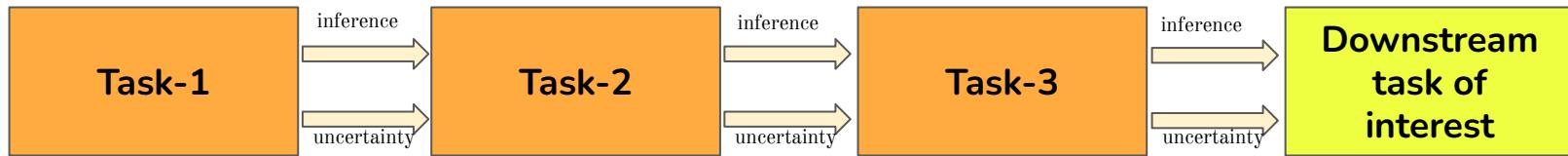


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AI skin cancer diagnoses risk being less accurate for dark skin - study

Research finds few image databases available to develop technology contain details on ethnicity or skin type



BRIEF REPORT | APPLIED MATHEMATICS |

Gender imbalance in medical imaging datasets produces biased classifiers for computer-aided diagnosis

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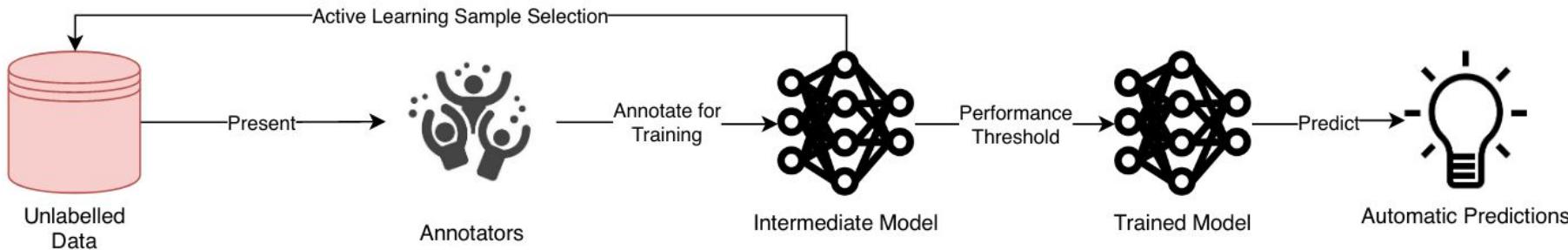


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# Uncertainty Evaluation



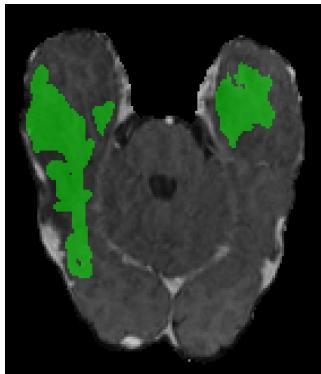
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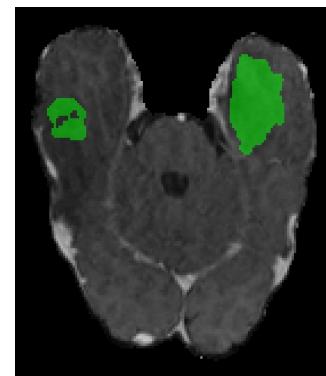
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# Brain Tumour Segmentation

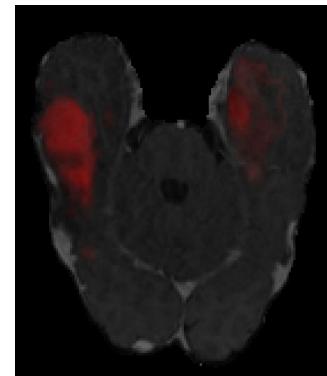
Ground Truth



Prediction



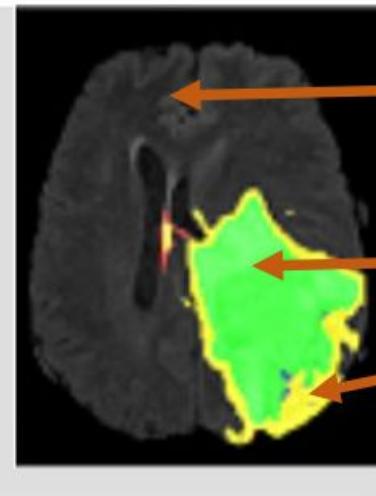
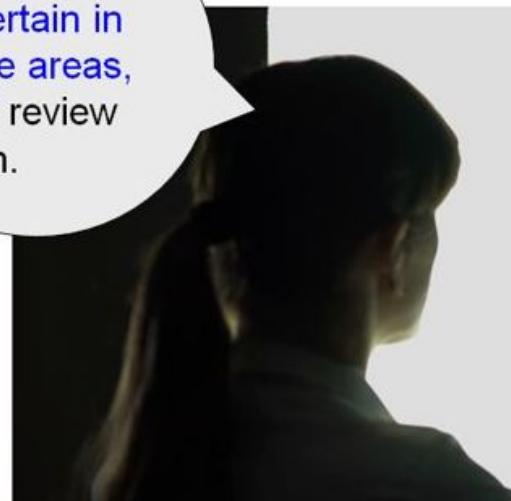
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Non-tumour labels

Tumour labels

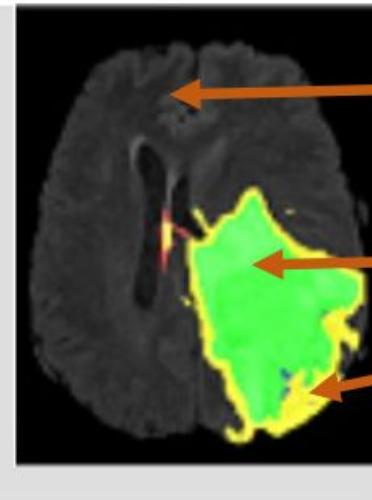
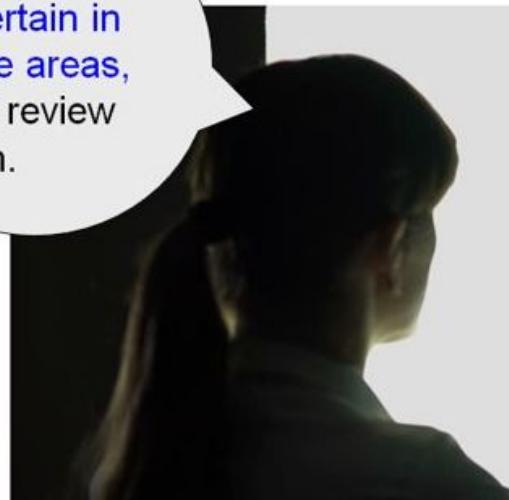
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Confident Predictions → Correct Predictions  
Incorrect Predictions → Highly Uncertain

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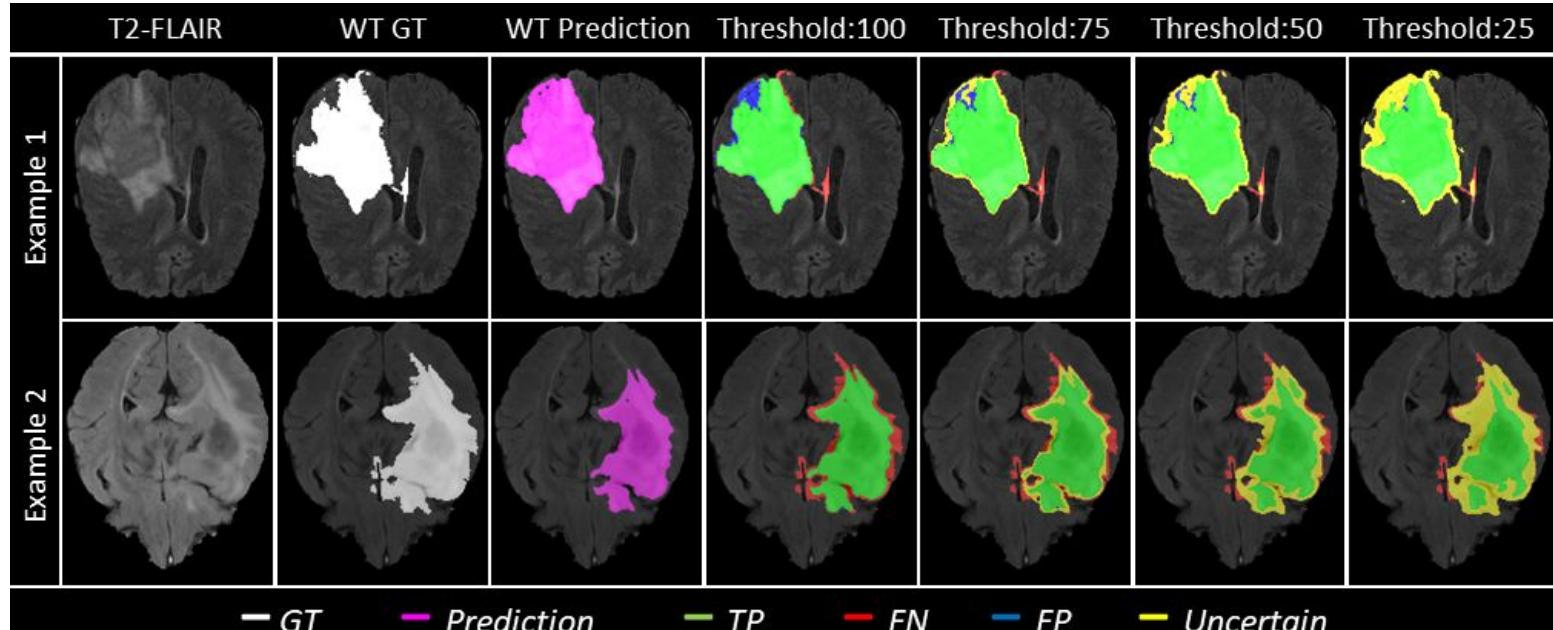


Increased  
Metric of Interest (Dice)



$$\text{Dice} = \frac{2 * (\text{TP})}{2 * (\text{TP}) + \text{FN} + \text{FP}}$$

$$2 * (\text{TP}) + \text{FN} + \text{FP}$$





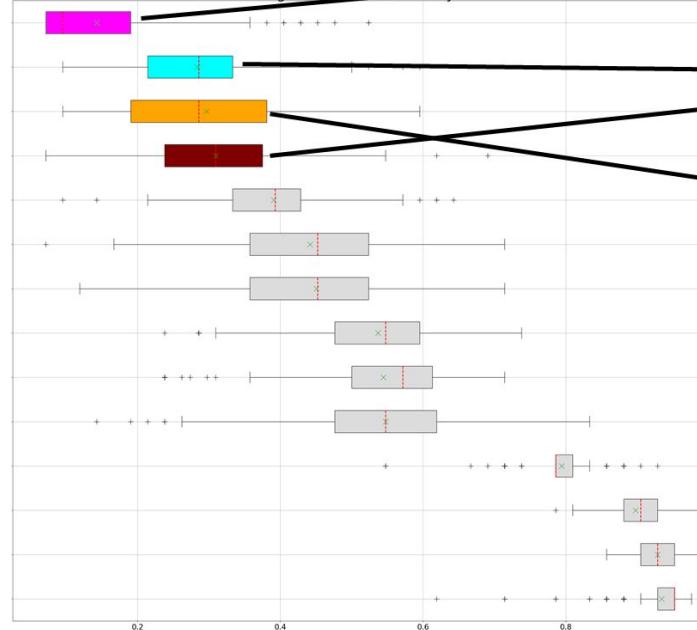
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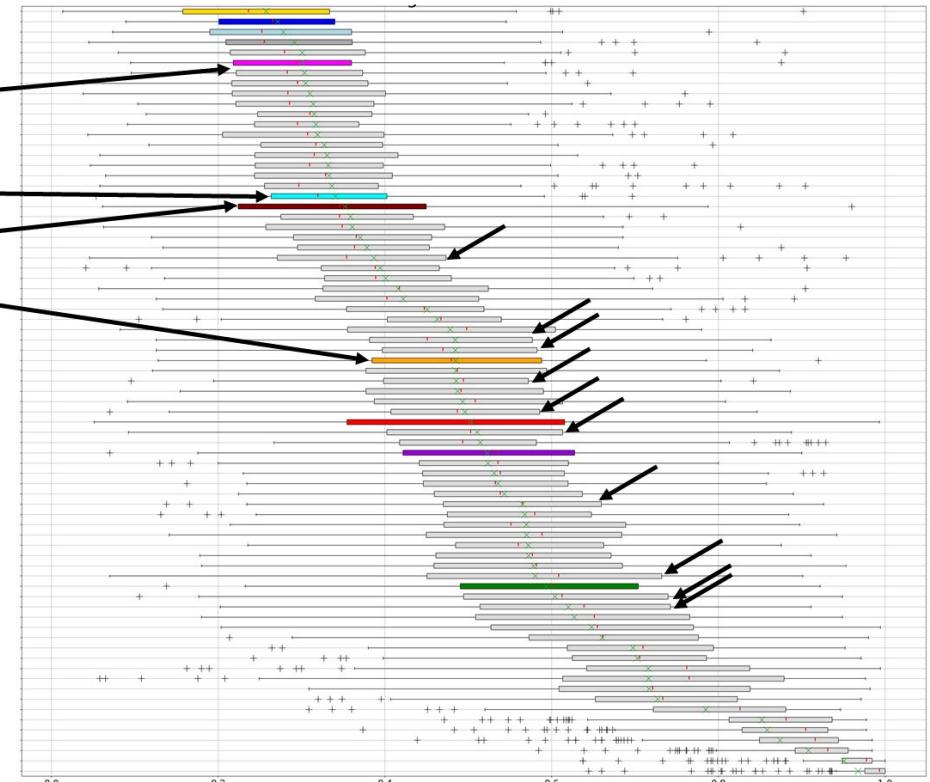
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- BraTS 2020 Challenge

Uncertainty Ranking



Segmentation Ranking





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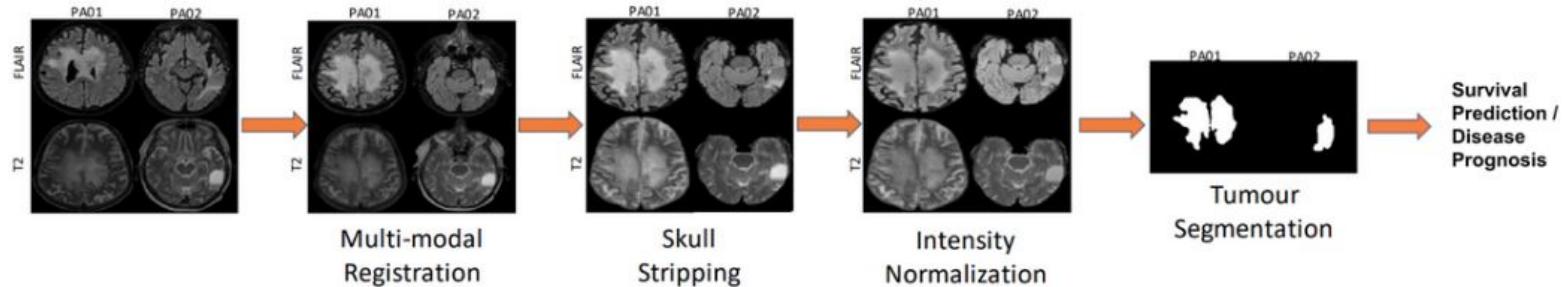
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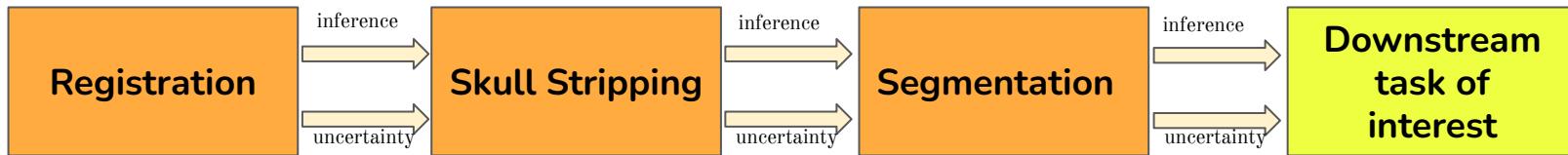
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- **Medical Image Analysis Pipeline**



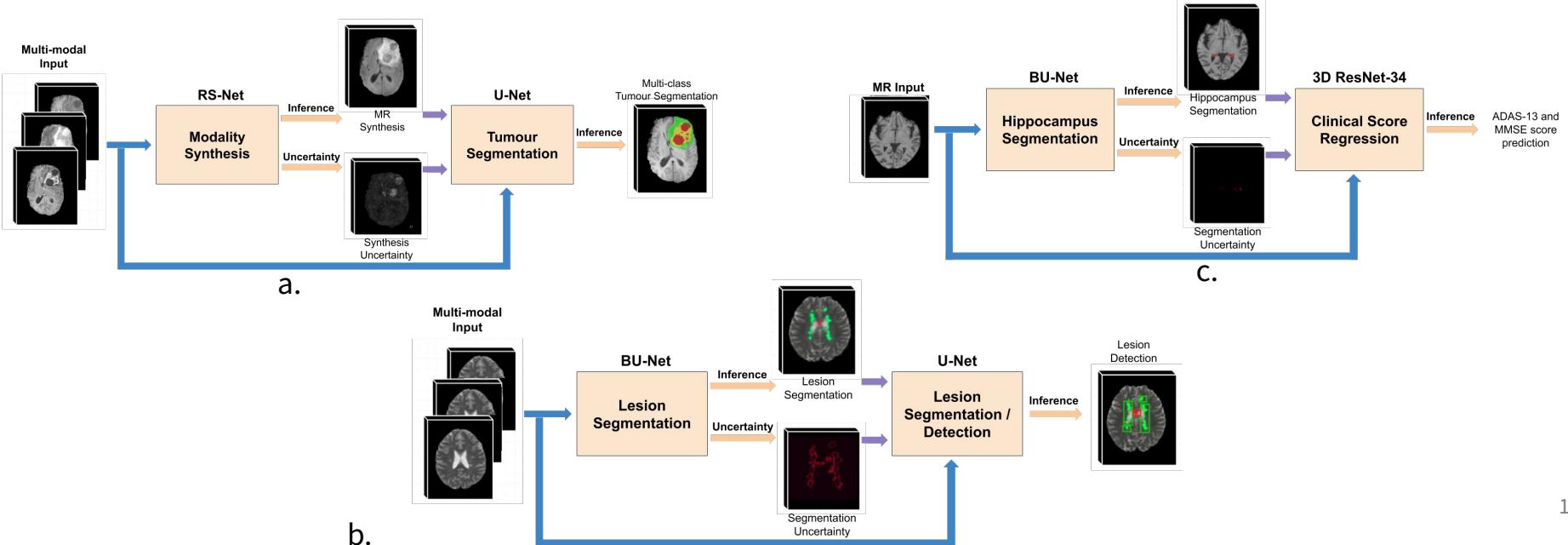
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- Hypothesis: We can improve inference on the downstream task of interest by propagating uncertainty estimated for the prior tasks



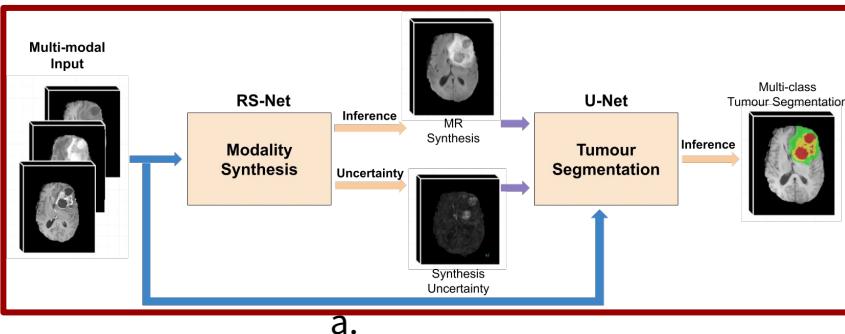
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  - Brain Tumour Segmentation Pipeline
  - MS T2 Lesion Segmentation/Detection Pipeline
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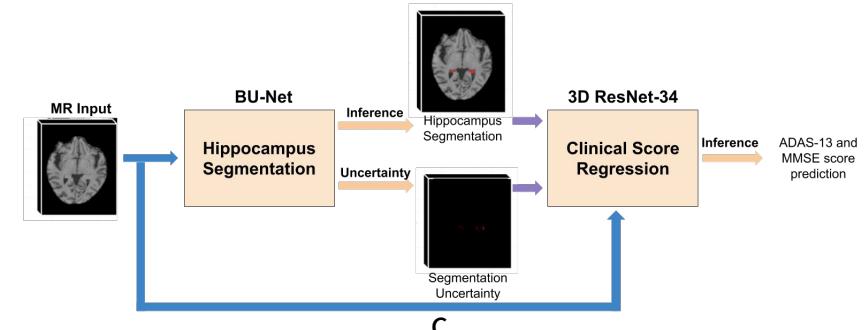


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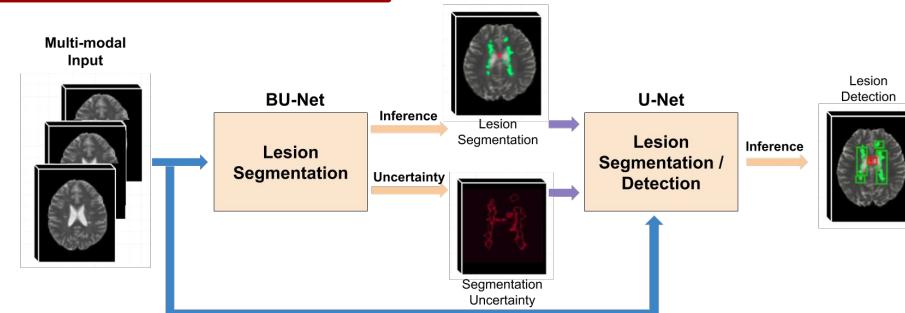
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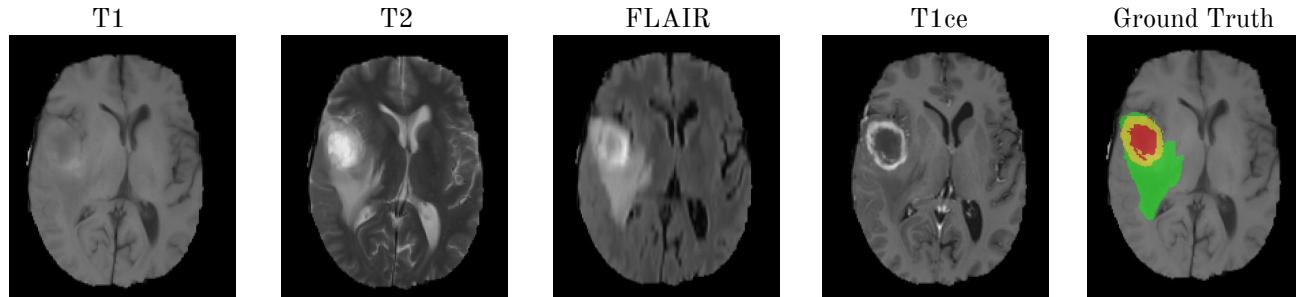


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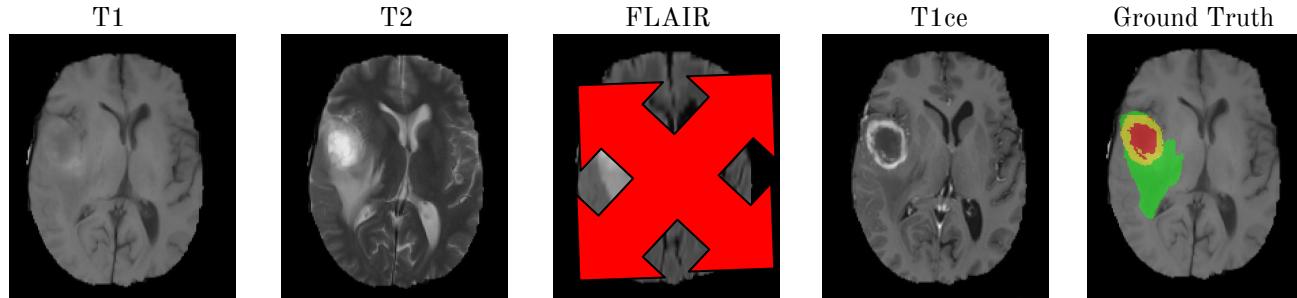
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# Uncertainty Propagation

- Brain Tumour Segmentation
  - Synthesizing missing (unavailable) sequence can help
    - Clinicians to review
    - Improve downstream tumour segmentation task<sup>26</sup>

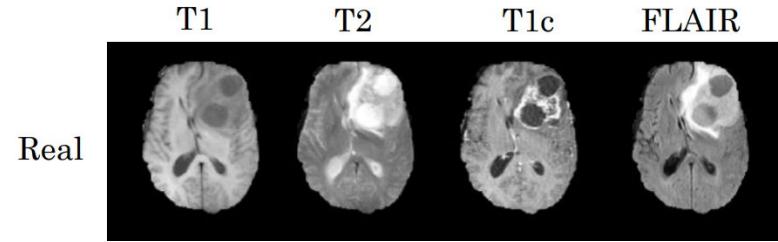


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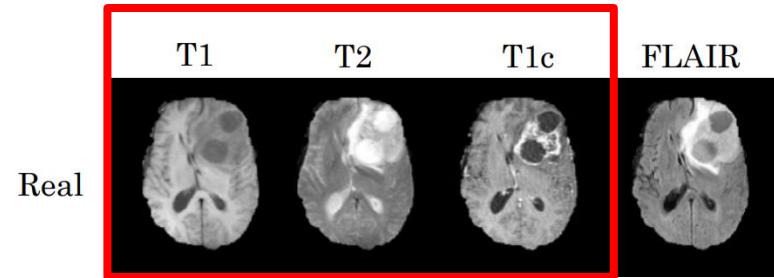
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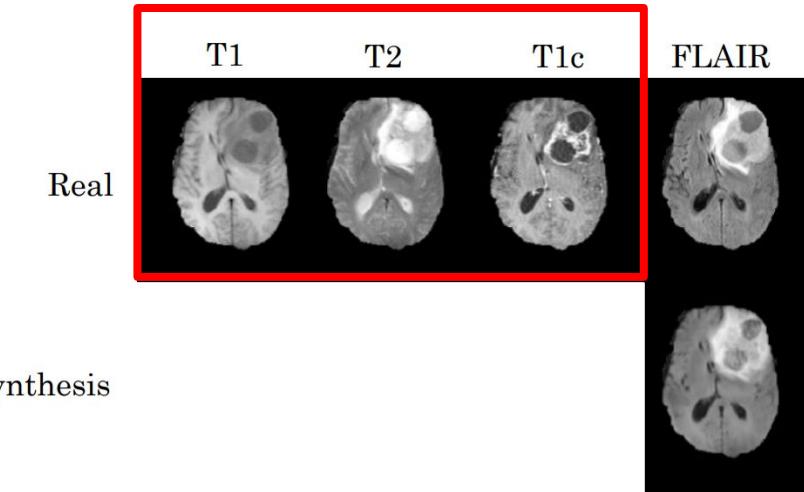
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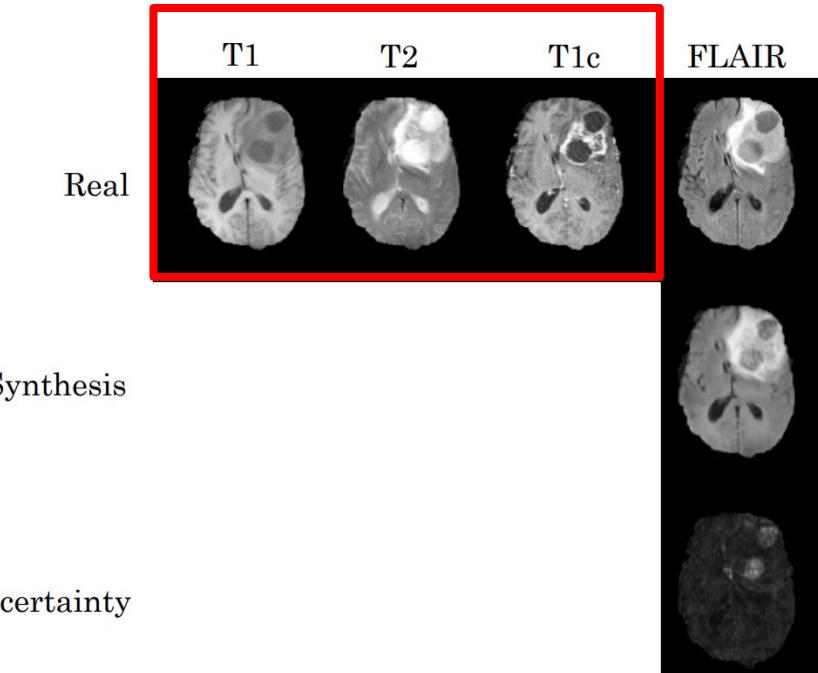
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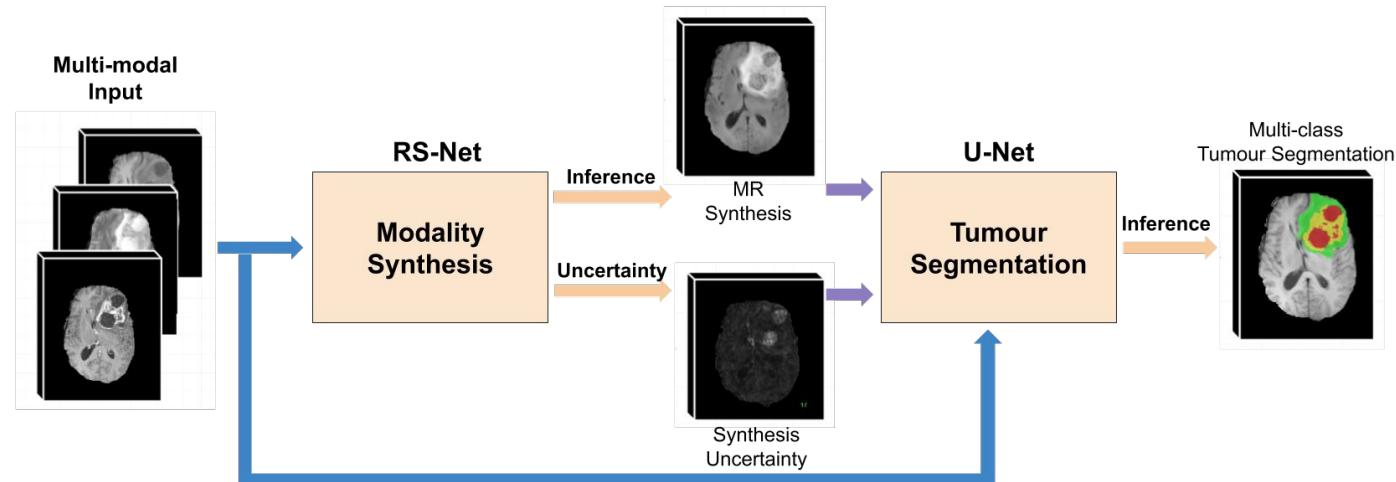
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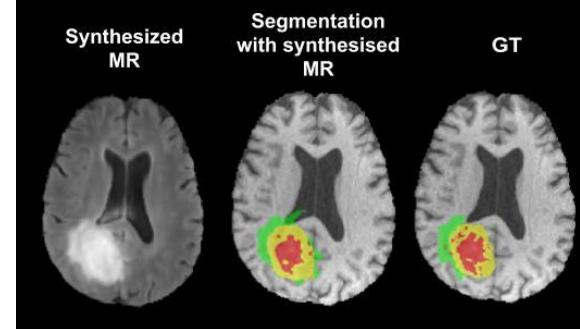
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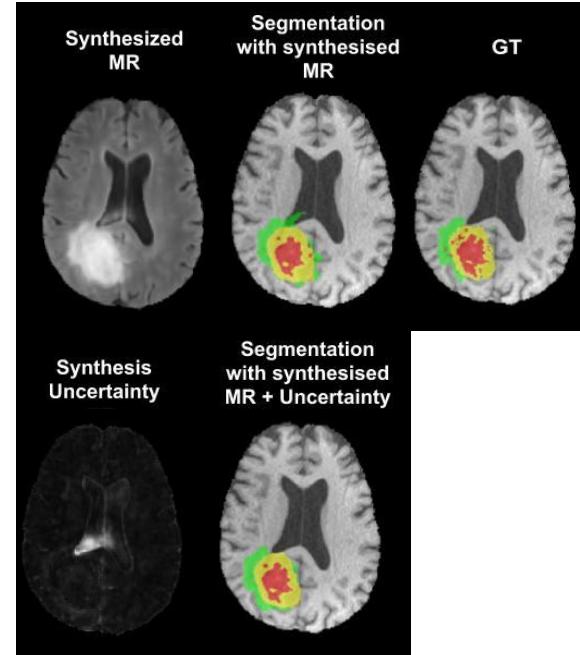
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- Brain Tumour Segmentation
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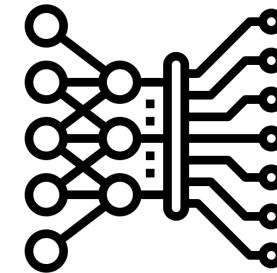
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# Fairness

Partition dataset into subgroups based on a sensitive attribute (Ex. Sex)



Calculate Metric of Interest (Ex. Dice) for each subgroups



0.3



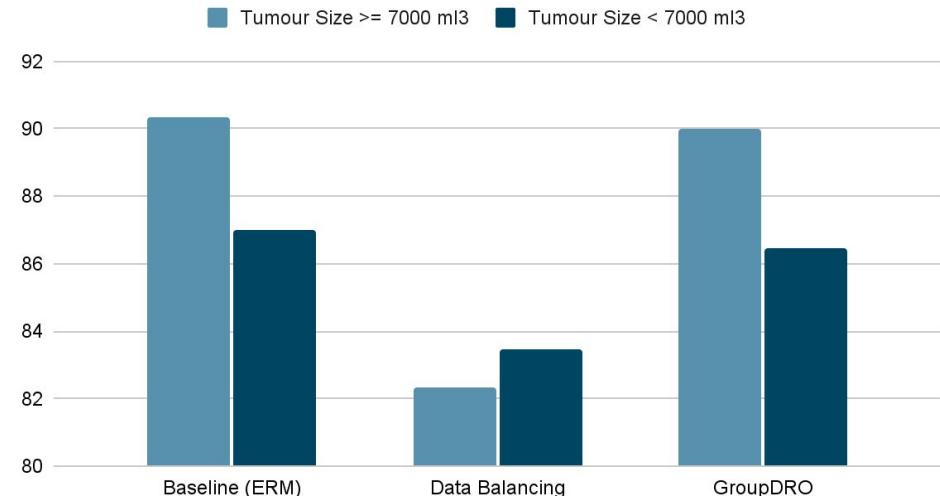
0.7

Difference in Performance  
 $(0.7 - 0.3 = 0.4)$

# Fairness - Brain Tumour Segmentation

- **Network:**
  - U-Net
- **Sensitive Attribute: Tumour Size**
  - Divide into two subgroups
    - $\geq 7000 \text{ ml}^3$
    - $< 7000 \text{ ml}^3$
- **Popular Fairness mitigation**  
**ML Methods:**
  - Baseline (ERM)
  - Data balancing
  - GroupDRO

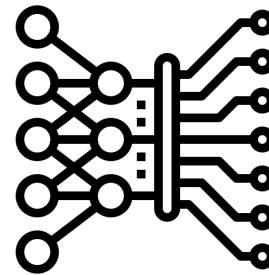
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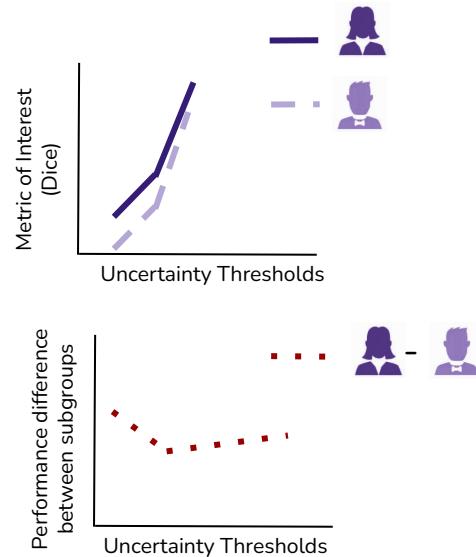


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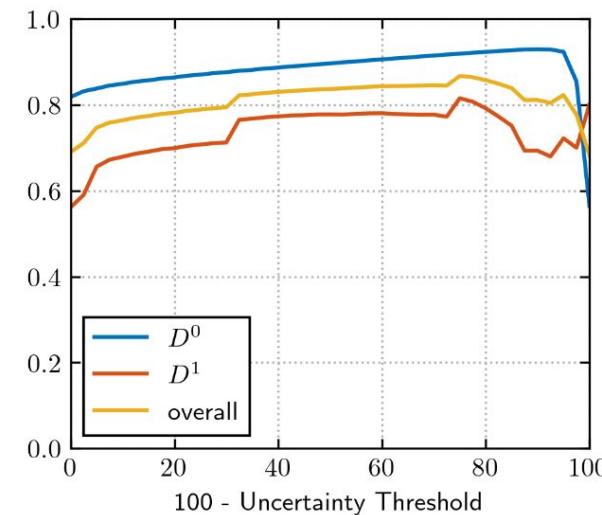


Calculate Metric of Interest (Ex. Dice) for each subgroups At different uncertainty threshold

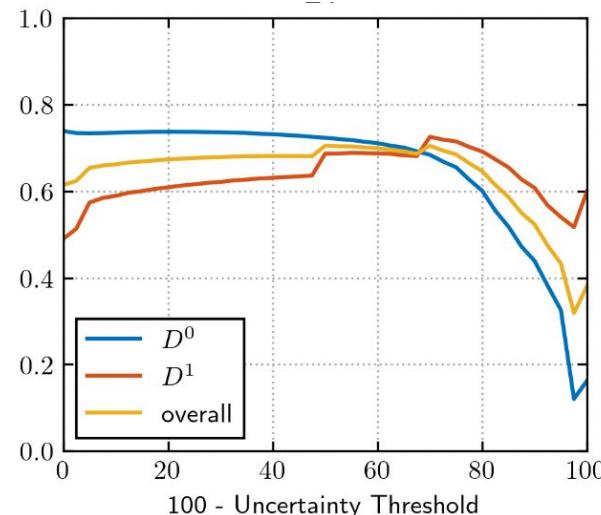


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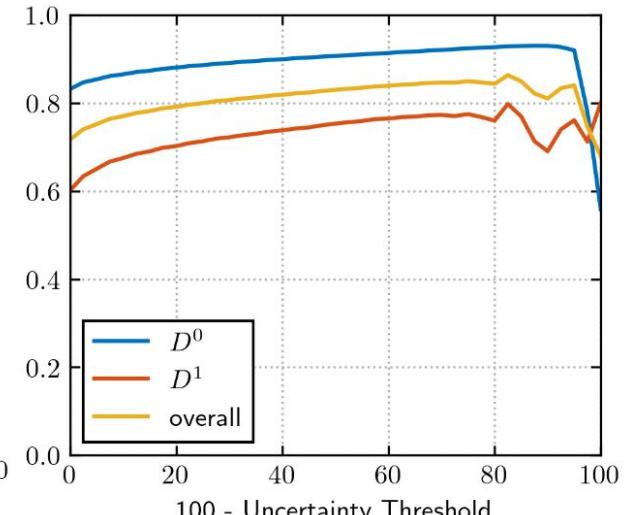
- Brain Tumour Segmentation



(a) Baseline-Model



(b) Balanced-Model



(c) GroupDRO-Model



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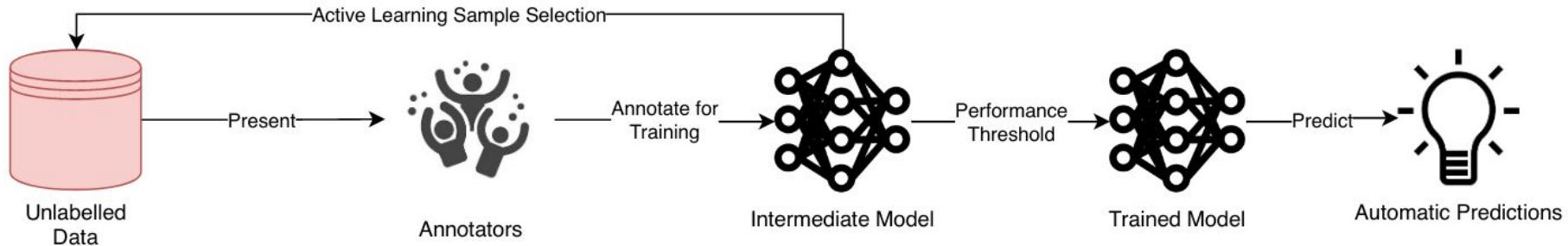
# Challenges: ML in Medical Imaging

- Medical Image Analysis
  - Requires access to clinicians for data annotation



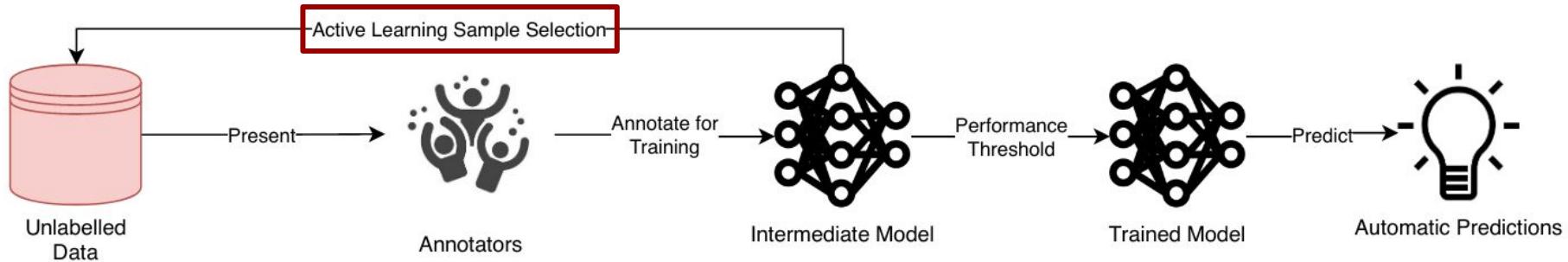


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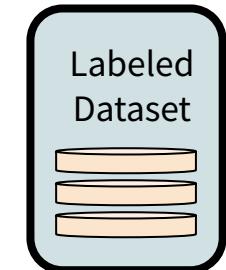
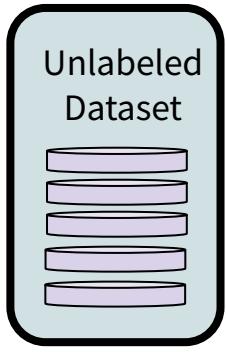
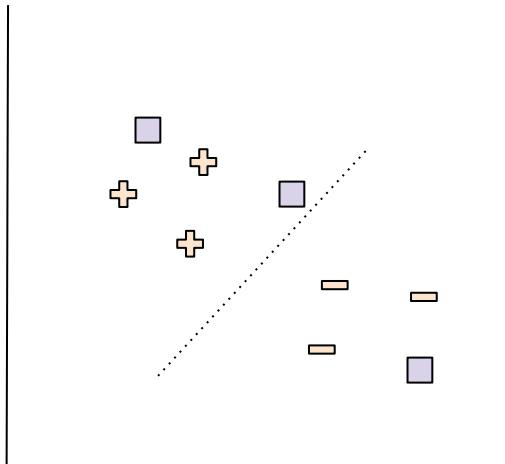




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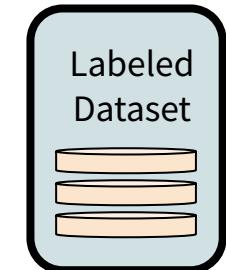
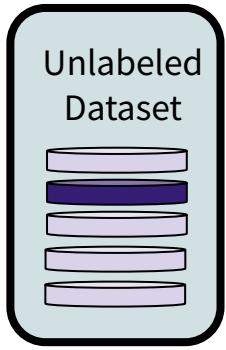
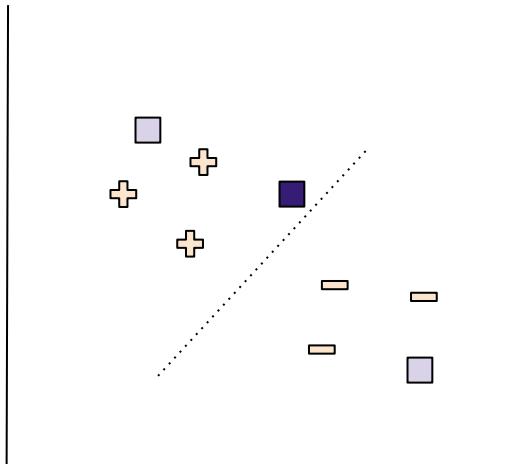




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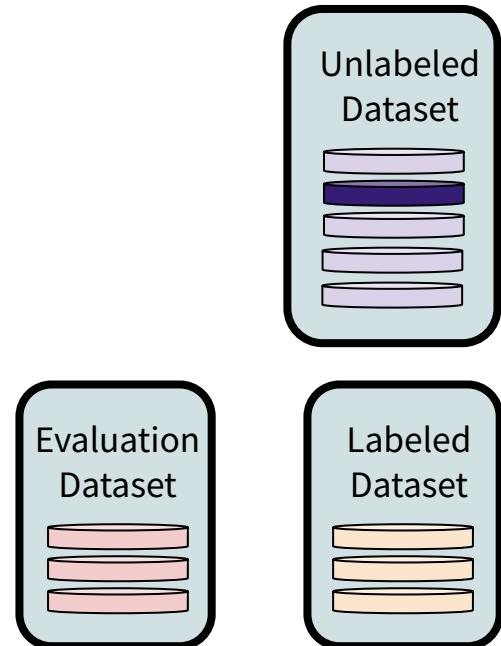
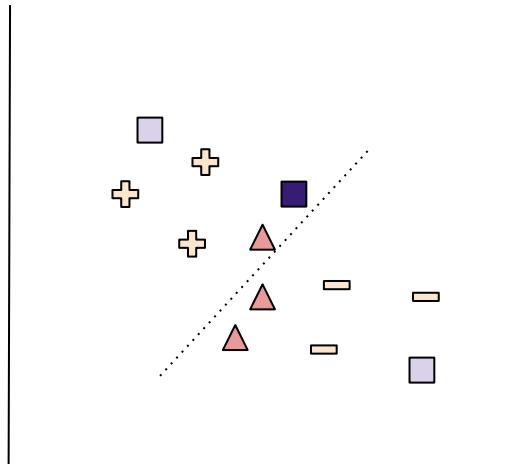
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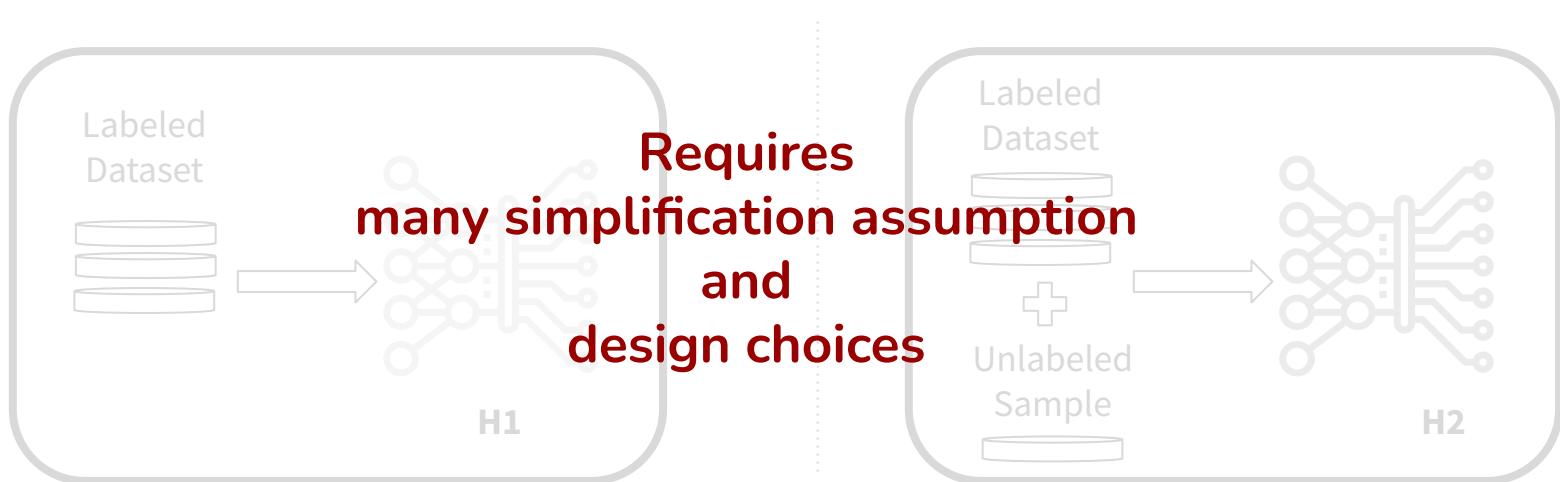
- Information Gain (IG)
  - $IG(X; Y=y) = H(X) - H(X|Y=y)$



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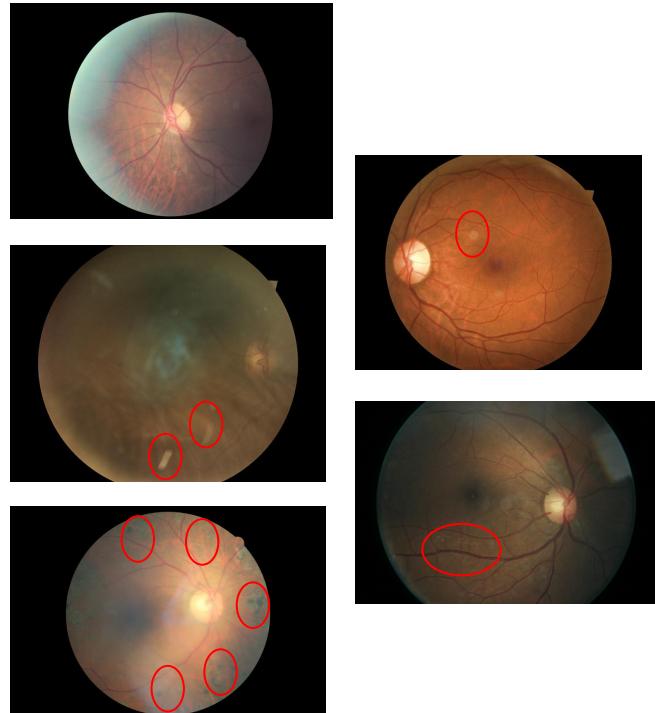
## Information Gain Sampling for AL

- Select samples with maximum  $IG = H_1 - H_2$



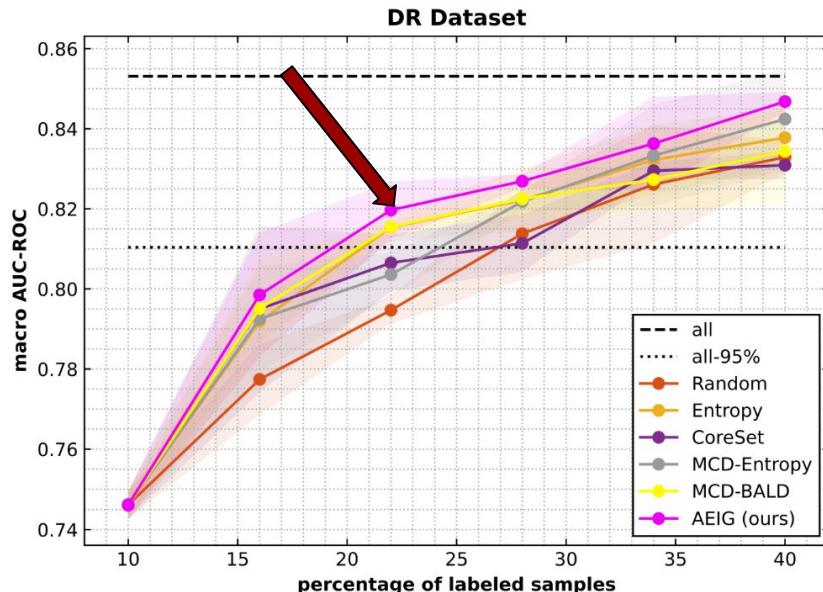
# Active Learning

- **Datasets:**
  - Multi-class Diabetic Retinopathy (DR) disease classification
- **Evaluation Metric:**
  - ‘macro’ Area Under the Receiver Operating Characteristic Curve (ROC AUC)



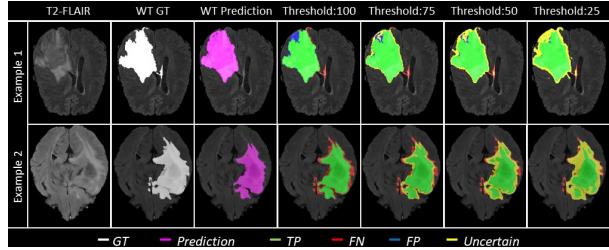
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- Results

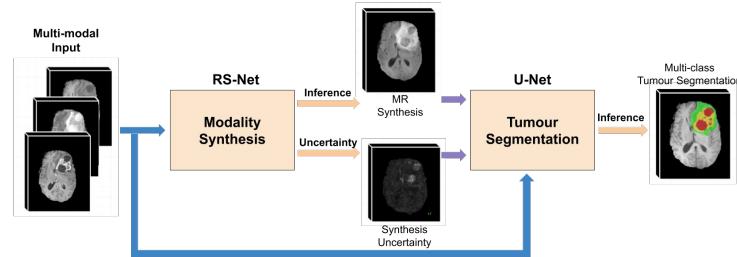




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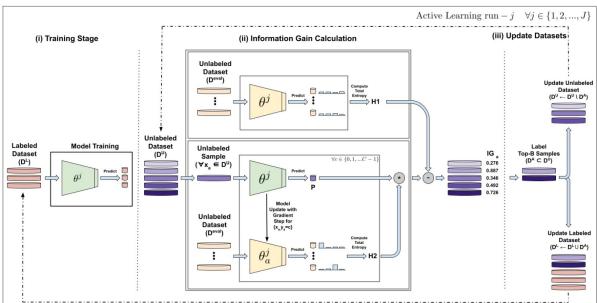


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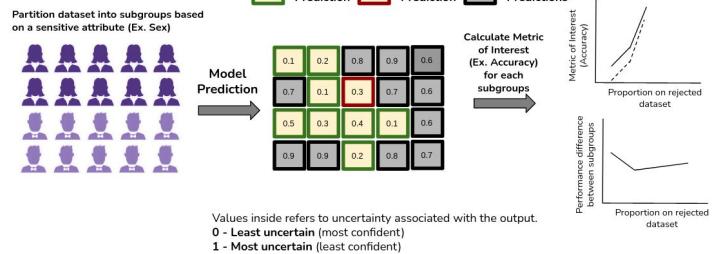


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## Integrating Bayesian Deep Learning Uncertainties



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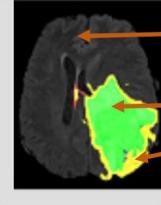


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# Trustworthy Models



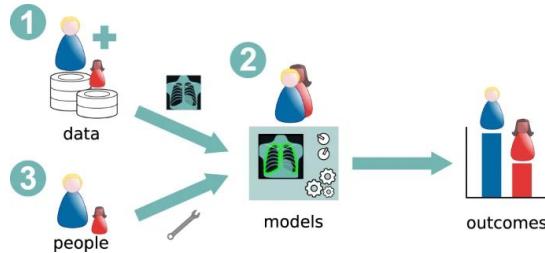
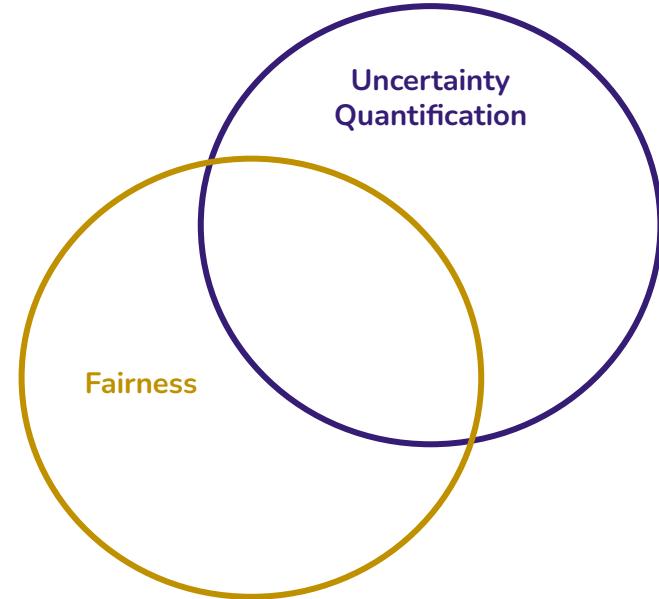
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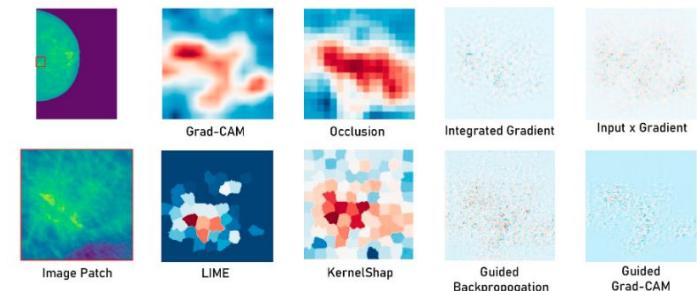
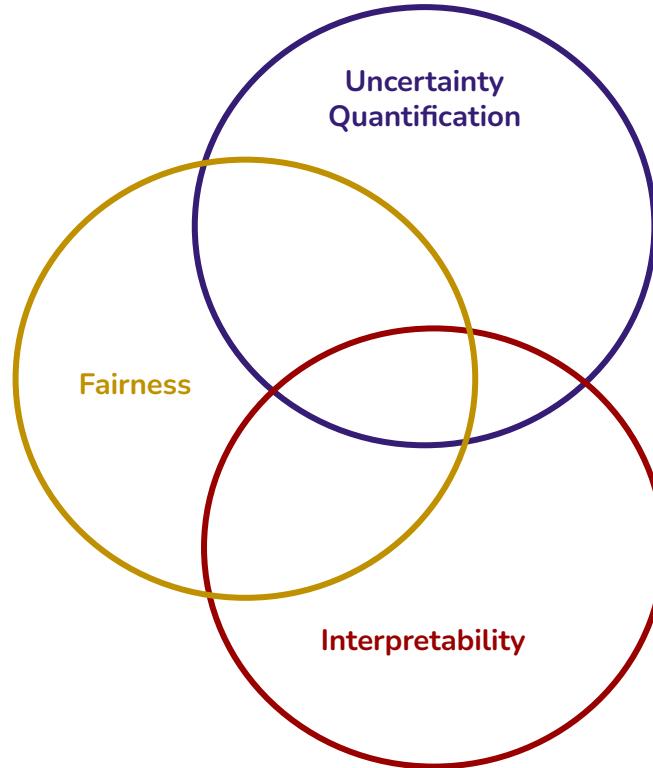


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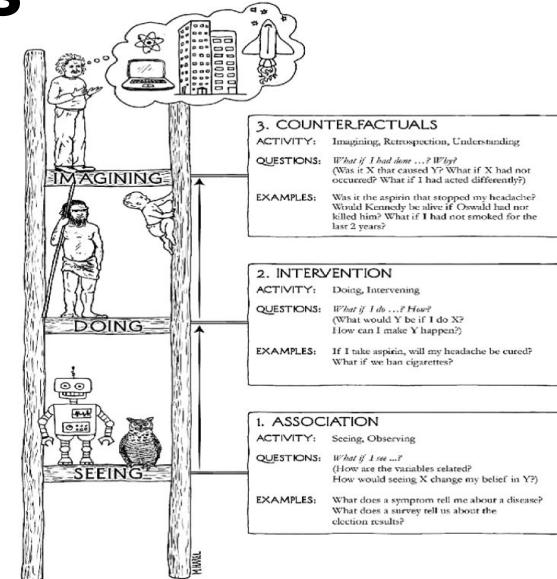
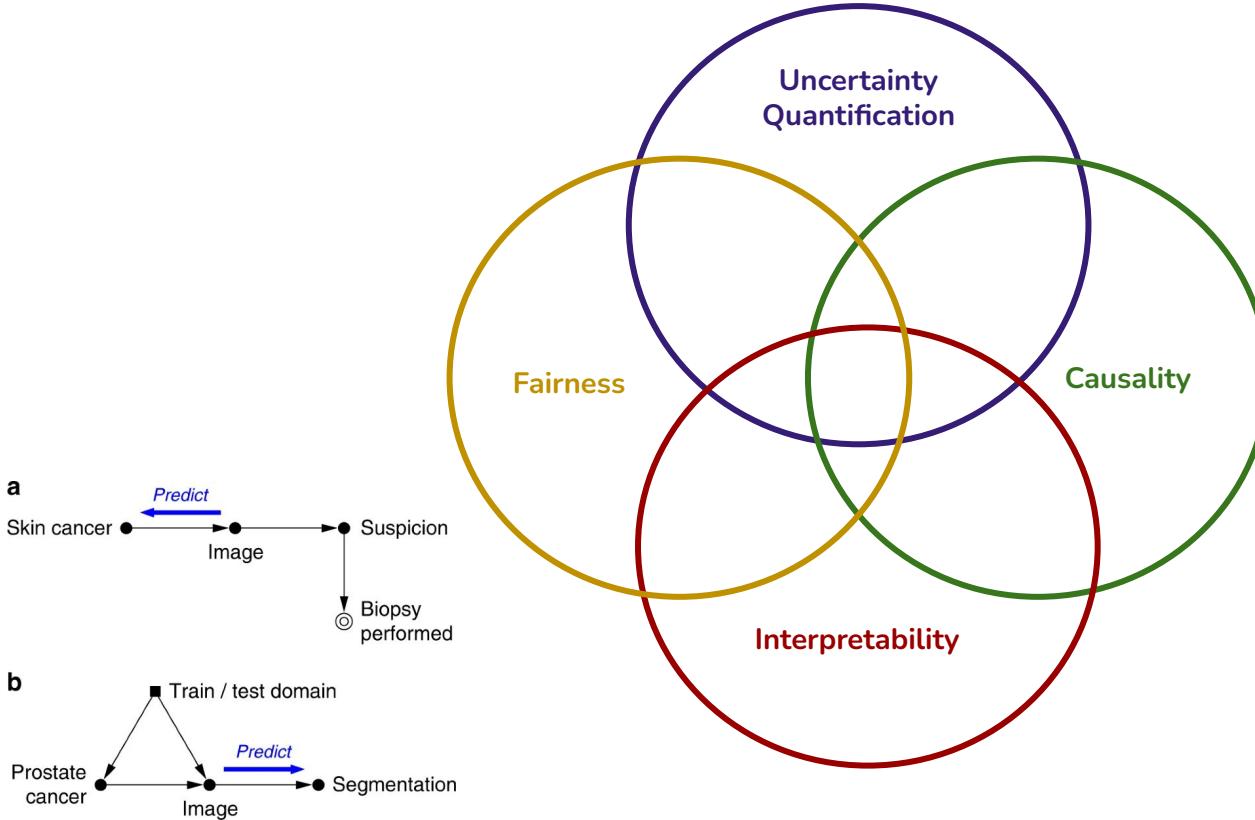


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