

IMAGE2BIOMASS PREDICTION

WHAT ?

Goal

- Build models that predict pasture biomass from images and ground-truth measurements

WHY ?

Motivation

- Help farmers to
- better estimate the amount of feed available
 - track pasture health more accurately

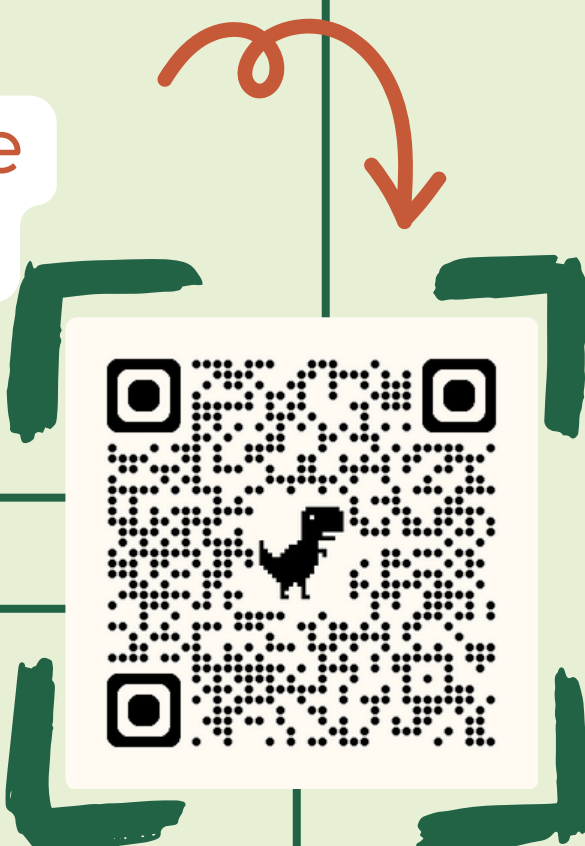
WHO ?

Team

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Project D6

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HOW ?

Results & Conclusions

- Sucessfully designed, built and trained a model that predicted biomass components based on input images
 - it wasn't a very good model :(
- Understanding & training neural networks is difficult but it was a good opportunity to try something completely different

Our approach

- Robert: EfficientNet CNN on images + MLP for tabular features
- Anneli: LGBM with KFold on images + tabular features
- Final: Used KFold with CNN + MLP

Data

All data is from:
CSIRO - Image2Biomass Prediction Kaggle competition

- 357 images of Australian pastures
 - different seasons, regions, species
- CSV file with metadata
 - Sampling date & state of origin
 - Species composition
 - NDVI readings & average height
 - Ground-truth biomass components



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Data science methods

- Data: pivoting, merging, cyclical encoding, scaling, one-hot encoding
- Images: resize, flip, rotate, color jitter, normalize
- Model: CNN + MLP fusion, multi-output regression, masked loss
- Training: GroupKFold CV, early stopping, LR scheduling, gradient clipping
- Metrics: weighted R², masked MSE
- Inference: fold averaging, clipping, CSV export

