

FDA Submission

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Name of your Device: Chest X-Rays Pneumonia Detector

Algorithm Description

1. General Information

Intended Use Statement: Help Radiologists in detecting Pneumonia in Chest X-Rays

Indications for Use:

- Applicable for men and women from 1 to 90 years old
- Chest X-Ray image must be taken in the AP or PA position
- Chest X-Ray image must be in DICOM format

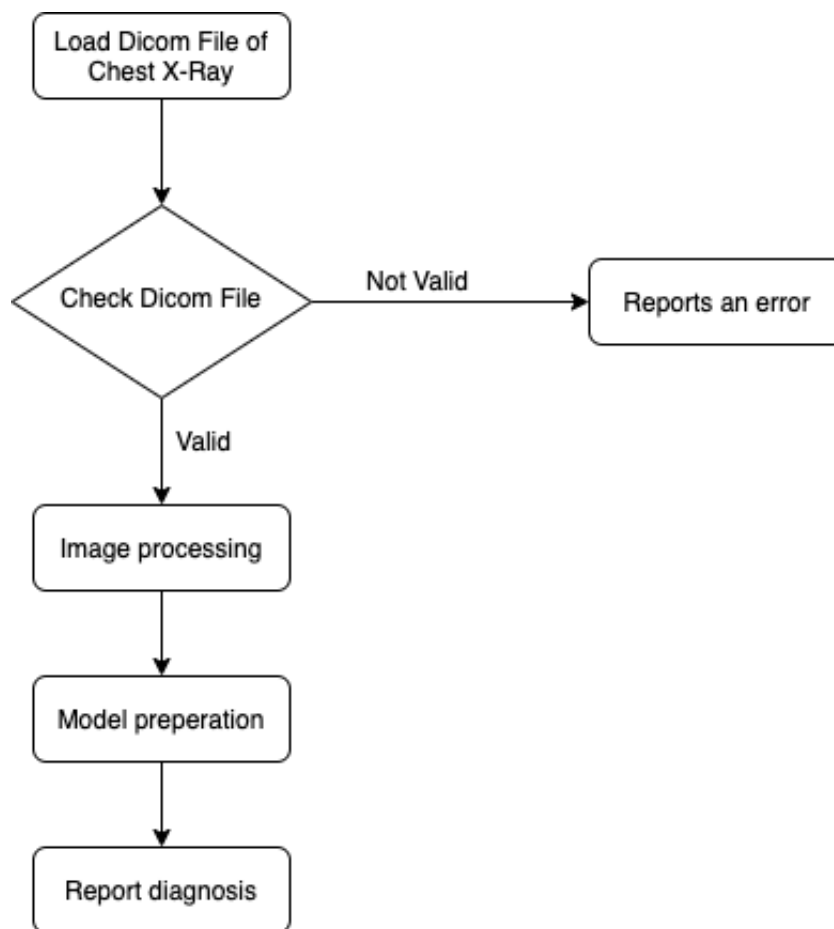
Device Limitations:

- Diagnosis can be made on a computer with a standard CPU, although a GPU is preferred

Clinical Impact of Performance:

- The model has a lower precision and higher recall
- This means the model is most confident when the test result is negative
- Therefore it is best used for worklist prioritization and not as a diagnosis tool

2. Algorithm Design and Function



DICOM Checking Steps:

- Modality is "DX"
- Body part examined is "CHEST"
- Patient Position is "PA" or "AP"

Preprocessing Steps:

- Image is normalized
- Image is reshaped
- Image is repeated across 3 channels

CNN Architecture:

Model: "sequential_4"

Layer (type)	Output Shape	Param #
model_4 (Model)	(None, 7, 7, 512)	14714688
flatten_4 (Flatten)	(None, 25088)	0
dropout_11 (Dropout)	(None, 25088)	0
dense_11 (Dense)	(None, 1024)	25691136
dropout_12 (Dropout)	(None, 1024)	0
dense_12 (Dense)	(None, 512)	524800
dropout_13 (Dropout)	(None, 512)	0
dense_13 (Dense)	(None, 256)	131328
dropout_14 (Dropout)	(None, 256)	0
dense_14 (Dense)	(None, 1)	257
Total params: 41,062,209		
Trainable params: 28,707,329		
Non-trainable params: 12,354,880		

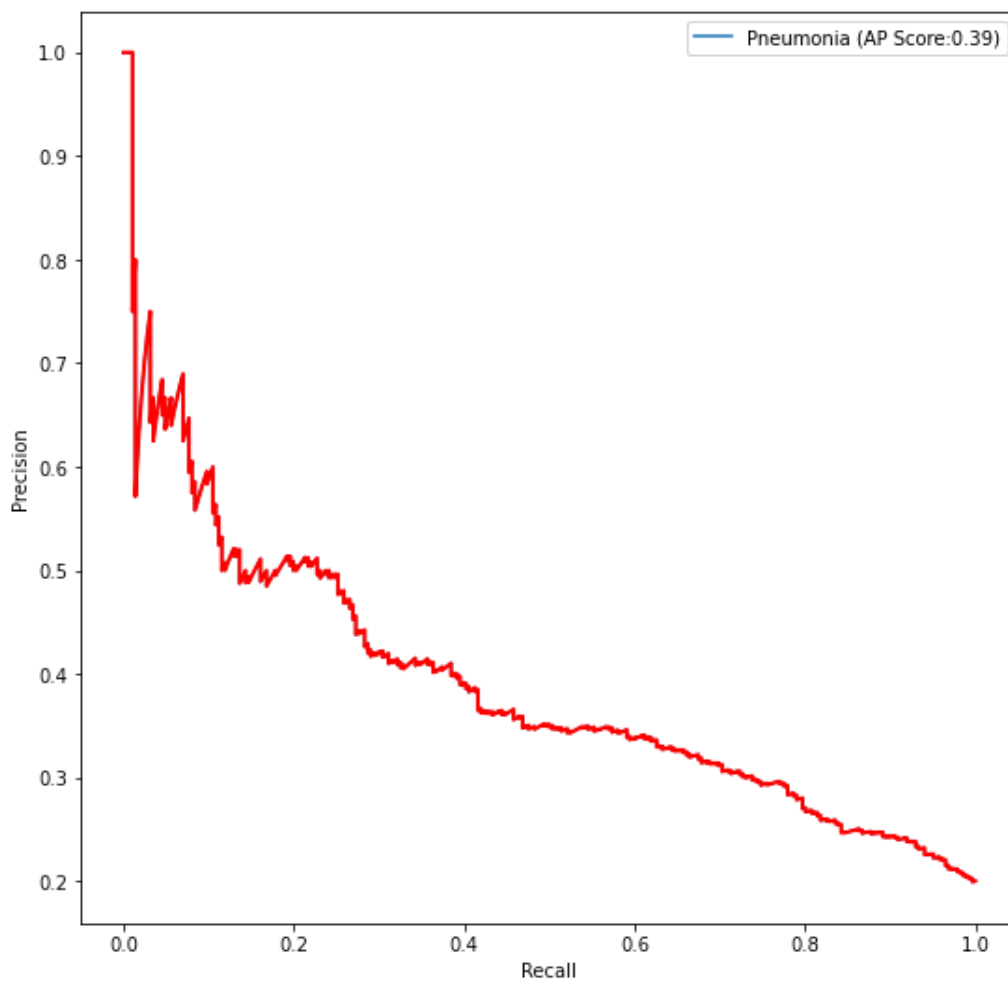
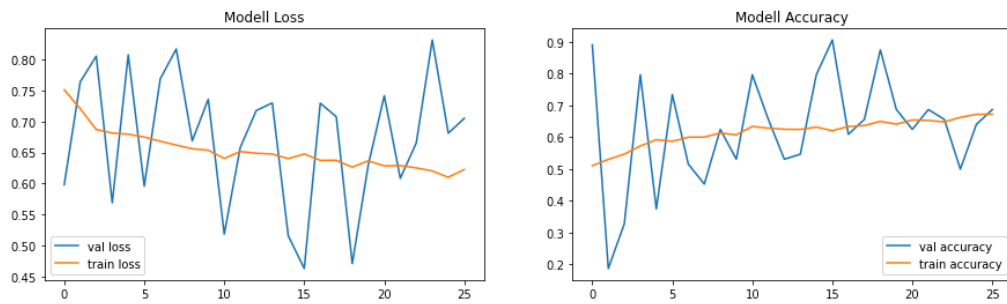
- The model is based on the VGG16 model
- The model uses the first 16 layers of the VGG16 model
- The VGG16 model output is flattened and passed through several additional dense and dropout layers

3. Algorithm Training

Parameters:

- Types of augmentation used during training
 - Horizontal flips
 - No Vertical flip s
 - Height shift range of 0.1,
 - Width shift range of 0.1,
 - Rotation range of 25,
 - Shear range of 0.1,
 - Zoom range of 0.15
- Batch size: 64
- Optimizer learning rate: 1e-4
- Layers of pre-existing architecture that were frozen: First 16 layers of VGG model

- Layers of pre-existing architecture that were fine-tuned: None
- Layers added to pre-existing architecture: Flatten, Dense and Dropout layers



Final Threshold and Explanation:

- Threshold: 0.6246
- F1 Score: 0.4381

The final threshold of 0.6246 was based on the highest F1 Score of 0.4381. Based on [this paper](#) the average radiologist has a F1 Score of 0.387. This means this model achieved a better performance as the average radiologist.

4. Databases

- The Dataset can be found here: [NIH Chest X-ray Dataset](#)
- It contains 112,120 chest x-ray images
- Each image has the following meta data:
 - Image Index
 - Finding Labels
 - Follow-up #
 - Patient ID
 - Patient Age
 - Patient Gender
 - View Position
 - Original Image Size
 - Original Image Pixel Spacing

Description of Training Dataset:

- The training data is split equally between Pneumonia and non Pneumonia patients
- It contains 2290 images

Description of Validation Dataset:

- The training data has 20% Pneumonia and 80% non Pneumonia patients
- It contains 1430 images

5. Ground Truth

- 112,120 X-ray images with disease labels from 30,805 unique patients
- The disease labels were created using Natural Language Processing (NLP) to mine the associated radiological reports
- The labels are expected to be >90% accurate and suitable for weakly-supervised learning
- The data includes 14 common thoracic pathologies:
 - Atelectasis
 - Consolidation
 - Infiltration
 - Pneumothorax

- Edema
- Emphysema
- Fibrosis
- Effusion
- Pneumonia
- Pleural thickening
- Cardiomegaly
- Nodule
- Mass
- Hernia

6. FDA Validation Plan

Patient Population Description for FDA Validation Dataset:

- Applicable for men and women from 1 to 90 years old
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Ground Truth Acquisition Methodology:

- Silver Standard: Validation by 3 different radiologists

Algorithm Performance Standard:

- The algorithm's F1 score should be more than that of average radiologist (0.387)