

Chest Xray Pneumonia Classification

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Summary

- CNN image classification modeling of pediatric chest x-rays predicts pneumonia with a 96% accuracy
- Model detects pneumonia as cloudy areas in the lungs:
 - Bacterial pneumonia: localized
 - Viral pneumonia: dispersed



Overview

- Business Problem
- Data
- Modeling
- Results
- Conclusions
- Next Steps

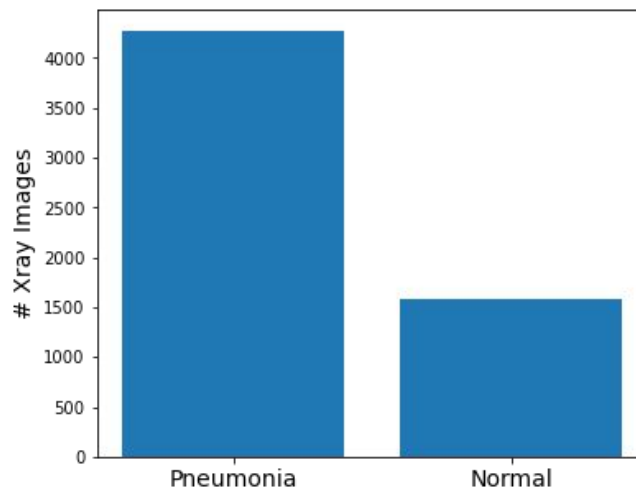
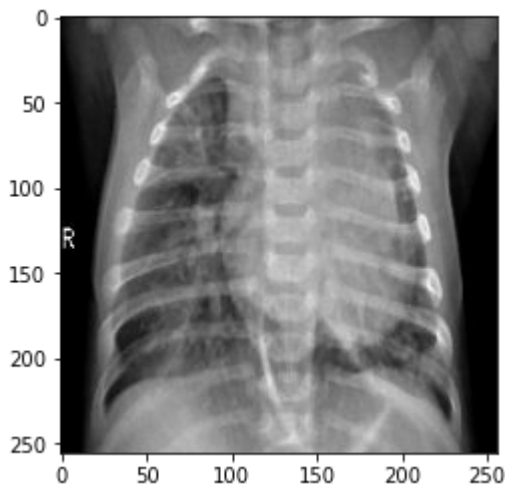
Business Problem

- Local Hospital wishes to improve its pneumonia diagnostic process
- Implementing a high accuracy classification model will:
 - Reduce errors in diagnosing pneumonia
 - Reduce diagnosis time
- These adjustments will improve the hospital experience and increase patient retention



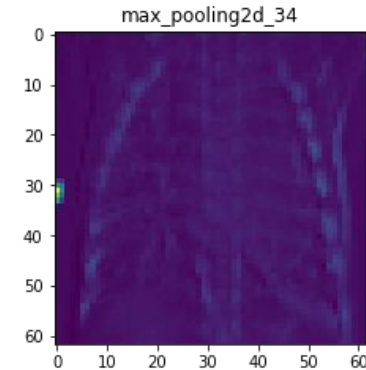
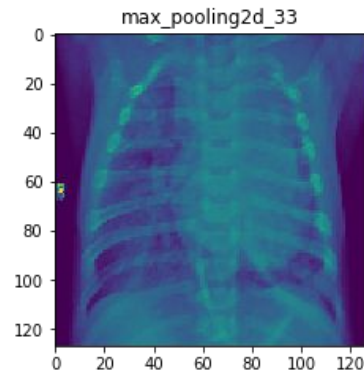
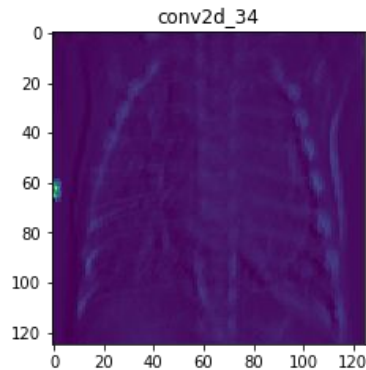
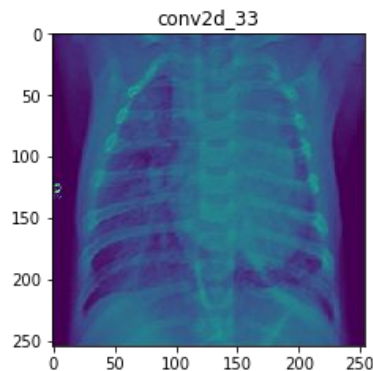
Data

- Chest x-ray images from Guangzhou Women and Children's Medical Center
 - 5,895 images (256x256)
 - Pediatric patients: ages 1-5



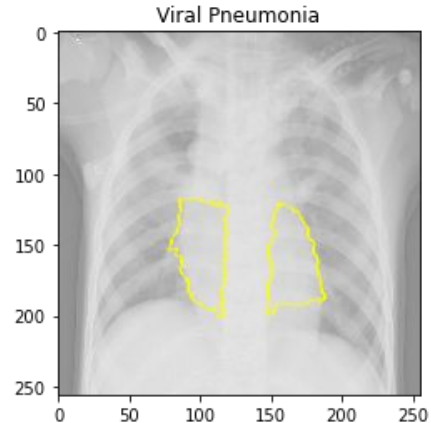
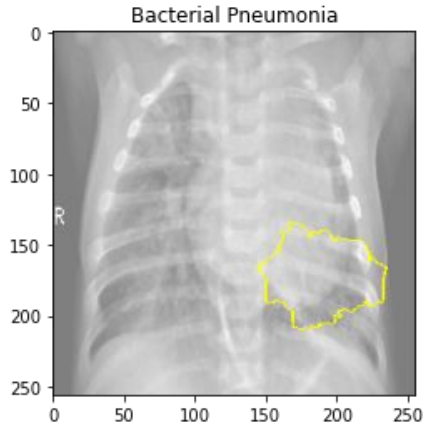
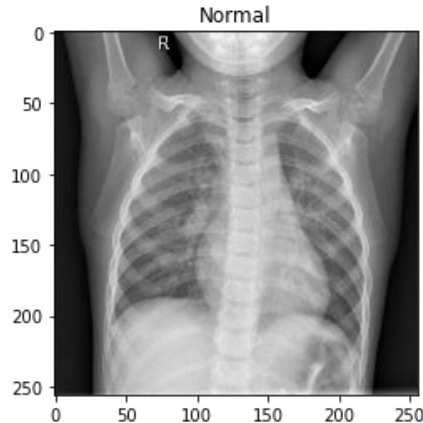
Model

- Convolutional Neural Network
 - Identifies important image features
 - Filters out irrelevant information
- Iterative Process
 - Architecture
 - Hyperparameter tuning
 - Regularization
- Evaluation Metric
 - Accuracy



Results

- 96% accuracy
- 94% recall
- Pneumonia Feature Detection:
 - Bacterial: localized cloudiness
 - Viral: dispersed cloudiness



Conclusion

- Use model in conjunction with current pneumonia diagnosis process
- Run model on all chest x-rays even if pneumonia is not suspected
- Use model to aid in training of new doctors

Next Steps

- Expand dataset to include all age groups
- Further architecture and hyperparameter tuning
- Expand model to include other diseases/conditions that could be detected in a chest x-ray

