



AUTOMATIC DIAGNOSIS OF RESPIRATORY DISORDERS

with Audio Analysis

RÉSUMÉ

Respiratory disorders are part of the 21th century global health diseases. What if automatic diagnosis was available for everyone, anywhere?

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1 Introduction

Respiratory diseases like Asthma¹ and Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD) are developing all over the world. All health organizations in the world, either national or international like the World Health Organization, are leading actions to detect, prevent, diagnose

As an example, currently more than 25 million people in the United States have asthma. Approximately 14.8 million adults have been diagnosed with COPD, and approximately 12 million people have not yet been diagnosed.

Moreover, significant disparities in asthma morbidity and mortality exist, particularly for low-income and minority populations, and other factors like geographic isolation is an significant factor of death due to respiratory diseases. Degraded air quality is another factor of respiratory diseases.

What if respiratory diseases could be detected on the first symptoms without any logistic burden?

What if the identification and diagnosis of respiratory diseases could be done anywhere, at any time?

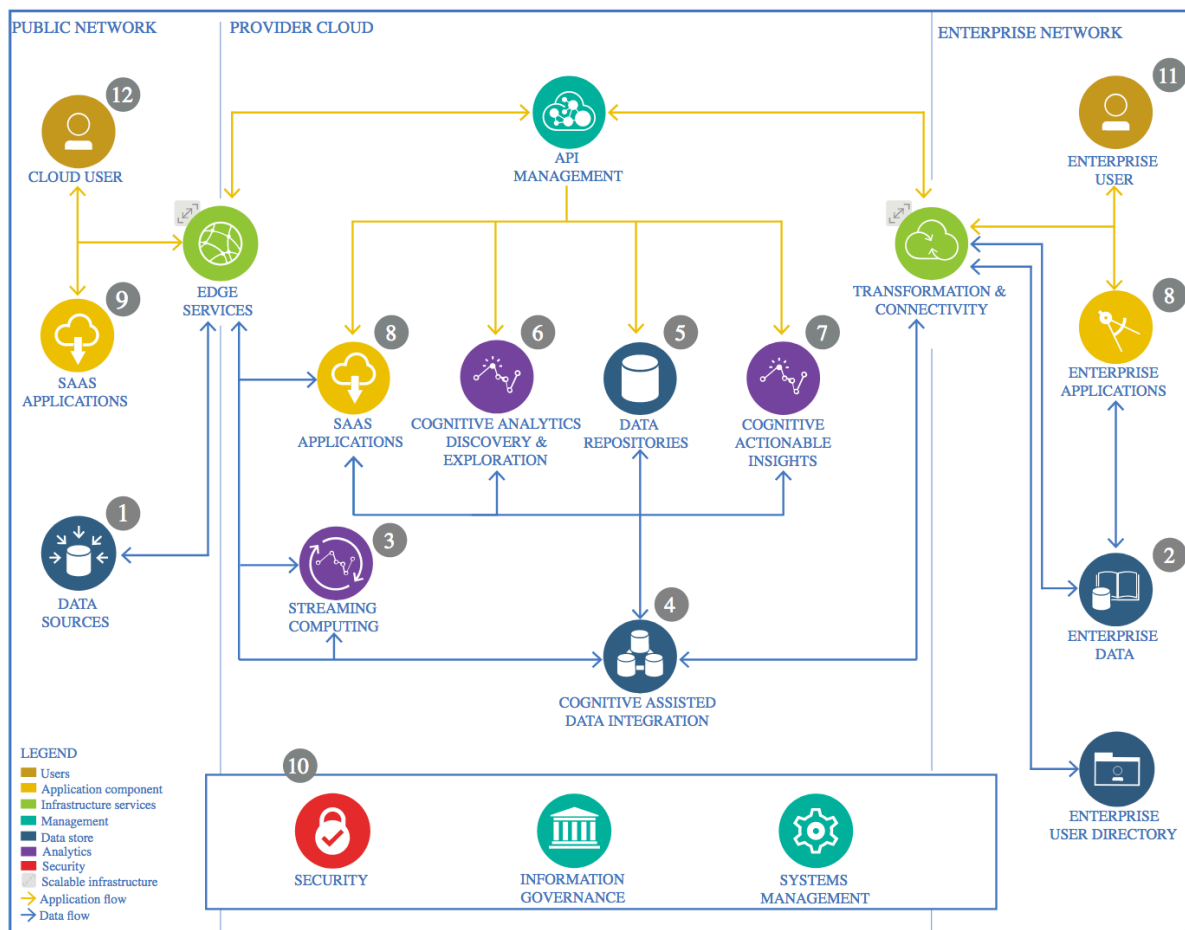
My capstone project consists on automatic diagnosis of respiratory disease by analysis and classification of respiration audio recordings and associated diagnosis meta data.

Respiratory sounds are important indicators of respiratory health and respiratory disorders. Automated machine-aided pre-diagnosis can help accelerate patient handling via remote or automated disease detection and classification.

2 Architectural Components Overview

This project has been realized following the Lightweight IBM Cloud Garage Method for Data Science

This report document is structured according to the IBM Data and Analytics Reference Architecture - Architectural Decisions Document Template.



2.1 Data Source

2.1.1 Technology Choice

The data source used for this step of the project is the Respiratory Disorder Analysis dataset, a static Kaggle dataset available at: <https://www.kaggle.com/vbookshelf/respiratory-sound-database/home>.

The Respiratory Sound Database was created by two research teams in Portugal and Greece. It includes 920 annotated recordings of varying length - 10s to 90s. These recordings were taken from 126 patients. There are a total of 5.5 hours of recordings containing 6898 respiratory cycles - 1864 contain crackles, 886 contain wheezes and 506 contain both

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crackles and wheezes. The data includes both clean respiratory sounds as well as noisy recordings that simulate real life conditions. The patients span all age groups - children, adults and the elderly.

This Kaggle dataset includes:

- 'patient_diagnosis.csv': a .csv text file listing the diagnosis for each patient
- demographic_info.txt: a text file containing demographic information for each patient (note: the first line is blank and is deleted manually)
- audio_and_txt_files : folder containing
 - o 920 .wav sound files of respiratory audio recording
 - o 920 annotation .txt files

The demographic info file has 6 columns:

1. Patient number
2. Age
3. Sex
4. Adult BMI (kg/m2)
5. Child Weight (kg)
6. Child Height (cm)

Each audio file name is divided into 5 elements, separated with underscores (_).

1. Patient number (101,102,...,226)
2. Recording index
3. Chest location
 - a. Trachea (Tc)
 - b. Anterior left (Al)
 - c. Anterior right (Ar)
 - d. Posterior left (Pl)
 - e. Posterior right (Pr)
 - f. Lateral left (Ll)
 - g. Lateral right (Lr)
4. Acquisition mode
 - a. sequential/single channel (sc),
 - b. simultaneous/multichannel (mc)
5. Recording equipment
 - a. AKG C417L Microphone (AKGC417L),
 - b. 3M Littmann Classic II SE Stethoscope (LittC2SE),
 - c. 3M Littmann 3200 Electronic Stethoscope (Litt3200),
 - d. WelchAllyn Meditron Master Elite Electronic Stethoscope (Meditron)

The annotation text files have four columns:

- Beginning of respiratory cycle(s)
- End of respiratory cycle(s)
- Presence/absence of crackles (presence=1, absence=0)
- Presence/absence of wheezes (presence=1, absence=0)

The abbreviations used in the diagnosis file are:

- COPD: Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease
- LRTI: Lower Respiratory Tract Infection
- URTI: Upper Respiratory Tract Infection

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The annotation files is looked at but is not used in the analysis, since they are made available from a specific analysis, while the goal is to diagnosis from measured data.

At this step of the project, which is a preliminary Proof of Concept (PoC), no Data Source import technology have been defined.

2.1.2 Justification

The data source used for this step of the project is the Respiratory Disorder Analysis dataset, a static Kaggle data source consisting of files. The dataset is to be downloaded as a zip file, and unzipped into the selected data repository for processing.

2.2 Enterprise Data

2.2.1 Technology Choice

At this step of the project, no Enterprise Data technology have been defined.

2.2.2 Justification

At this step, the data imported from the Data Source are the only data necessary for the project.

2.3 Streaming analytics

2.3.1 Technology Choice

At this step of the project, no Streaming Analytics technology have been defined.

2.3.2 Justification

At this step of the project, deployment is not considered. The first step consists on a preliminary analysis of the data, models and processing, with a batch processing approach. The outcomes of this first steps are necessary to define the streaming analytics technologies adequate to the use case, in term of deployment and non-functional requirements such as throughput or latency . Streaming, from Edge measurement to data integration, will be addressed on the next iterations of the project.

2.4 Data Integration

2.4.1 Technology Choice

The data integration and feature extraction is implemented in two notebooks:

- ***'BNA_Capstone_Feature_Extraction.ipynb'***: in this notebook, the full audio recording files are resampled at the same rate and split in small chunks of the same size; MFCC transformation is then run on all samples, and the features dataset is saved on disk in json format. Given the input files, this lead to an unbalanced dataset with a large majority of samples corresponding to a diagnosis COPD.
- ***'BNA_Capstone_Feature_Extraction-with_Data_Augmentation_v1.2.ipynb'***: the goal of this notebook is to generate a more balanced features dataset, with number of sample per diagnosis type approximatively at TARGET_SAMPLE=1000. To achieve this goal, a sample of records is randomly picked up for diagnosis types greater than TARGET_SAMPLE, while data augmentation is performed on the dataset for

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diagnosis types with a number of records less than TARGET_SAMPLE, applying signal alteration:

- white noise addition,
- stretching.

In order not to affect the models, a subset of samples is kept out of the data augmentation processes: these are targeted to constitute the test set for the models to be evaluated. The resulting dataset is saved on disk in json format.

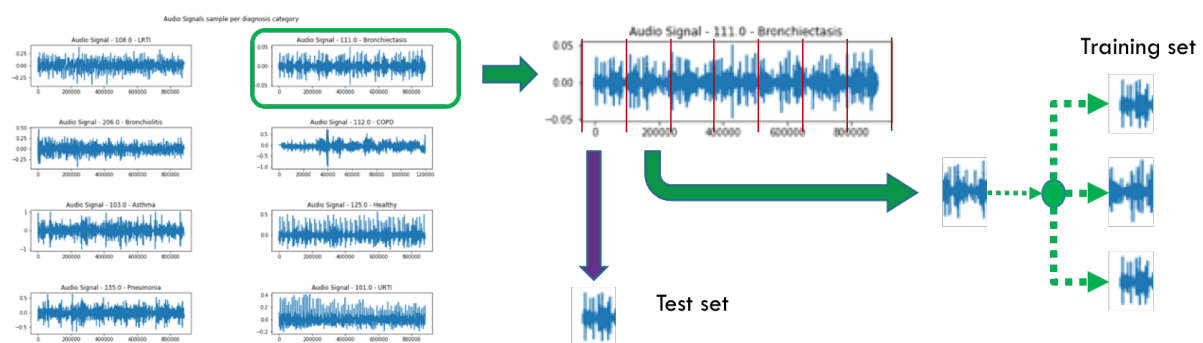


Figure 2 - Data augmentation processing

Data integration is mainly implemented using Apache Spark along with Apache SparkSQL. Pandas dataframes and Scikit-learn are also used as part of this first iteration.

librosa and numpy are used for the generation of the MFCC features. The dataset output from the feature generation is saved on disk to be further made available to models.

In summary, the outputs from the feature extraction steps from the input Respiratory Disorder dataset are synthesized on the following table.

Output Name	Output description	Notebook
respiratoryData_12kbps	Folder containing the json export of the dataset feature for all audio files splitted, resampled at 12Kbps, transformed to MFCC coefficients, with columns : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - filename - patientId - recIndex - diagnosisIndex - mfcc coefficients 	BNA_Capstone_Feature_Extraction.ipynb
respiratoryDataAugmented_v1.2	Folder containing the json export of the dataset feature for audio files splitted, resampled at 12Kbps, with data augmentation of sub sample, transformed to MFCC coefficients, with columns : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - filename - patientId - recIndex - diagnosisIndex - mfcc coefficients 	BNA_Capstone_Feature_Extraction-with_Data_Augmentation_v1.2.ipynb

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Output Name	Output description	Notebook
	- recSource indicator - with augmentation or not	

2.4.2 Justification

The Respiratory disorder dataset is constituted of a mix of tabular data and .wav audio data representing more than 2 GB on disk . For this primary step of the project, the objective is to be able to execute all the processing on a simple MacBook (Core I5 processor, 8GB RAM, 40GB of available storage). While the computing and storage power for ETL processing is relatively limited for this first step of the project, much more significant resources will be required when deploying at scale.

Apache Spark choice is driven by:

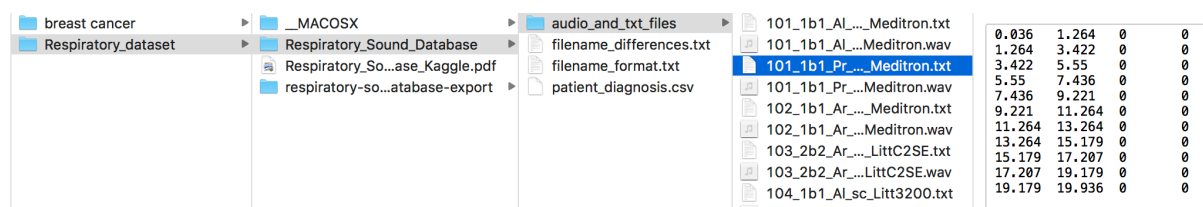
- Its ability to parallelize storage and processing on the dataset through Datasets and ML pipelines,
- Its Scalability, with the ability to run either on a simple computer or on a cluster.
- Its capability to handle both batch and stream processing, the latter being envisioned for future deployment.

Pandas dataframes are mainly used to alleviate the performance constraints on the standalone deployment for the first step.

The glob library is used for directories and files I/O.

2.5 Data Repository

2.5.1 Technology Choice



Selected data of the input dataset are stored on a selected folder on the OS file system.

2.5.2 Justification

The dataset size is around 2GB and is composed of regular files, which does not need specific repository technology. It also provide a simple universal deployment on the target laptop, but also on cloud storages.

The data repository strategies will have to be reconsidered when running at scale.

2.6 Discovery and Exploration

2.6.1 Technology Choice

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The data discovery and exploration path is supported by the notebook “BNA_Capstone_DataAnalysis_nb.ipynb”. The following technologies are used for discovery and exploration:

- Jupyter notebook,
- Python 3.6.8,
- Pyspark 2.4.1, including mllib for statistics,
- Numpy 1.16.2,
- scikit-learn 0.19.1,
- pandas 0.18.1,
- matplotlib 2.1.0
- For audio file processing:
 - o Soundfile 0.10.2: read .wav file; <https://pysoundfile.readthedocs.io/en/0.9.0/>
 - o librosa 0.6.3: audio signal manipulation (e.g. resampling, normalization) and display; <https://librosa.github.io/librosa/>

The preliminary step of data discovery and exploration consists of loading and assembling into one Spark dataframe the different information contained on the Respiratory Disorder dataset from the different files, through parsing and SparkSQL aggregations and joins.

In the second part, data discovery, the different distribution of data are highlighted. It appears that a major part of information related to demography and recording equipment are sparse, with a lot of fields with value missing.

Regarding audio samples, there is a variety of recording length and sample rates, with a majority of long samples with high rates.

sample_rate		sample_length	
count		count	
6	10000	16	882001
90	4000	801	882000
824	44100	1	881118
		1	880677
		1	879795
		1	874944
		1	874503
		1	874062
		1	873180
		1	344800
		2	339000
		2	332000
		1	330000
		2	329000
		1	301000
		1	297800
		1	293400
		1	285800
		2	284200
		1	277800

It is also highlighted that the dataset is unbalanced regarding the types of diagnosis: for 920 diagnoses, 793 are COPD, representing 88% of the diagnoses.

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: df2.groupBy('diagnosis').count().show()
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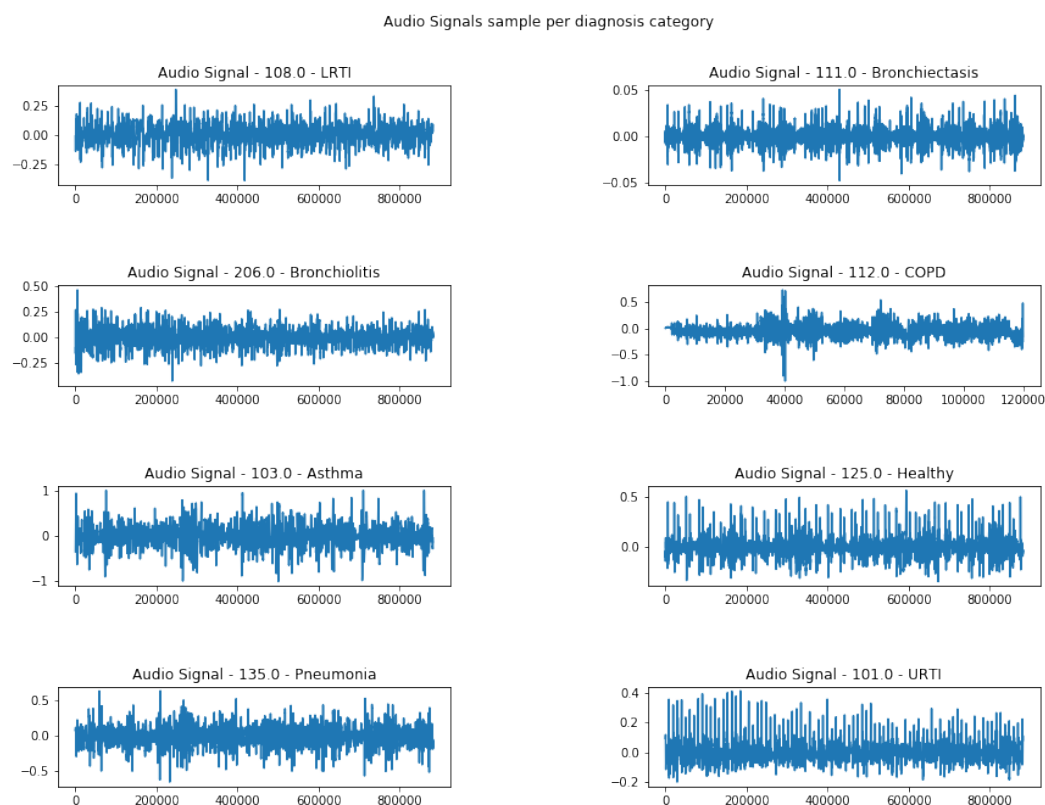
diagnosis	count
LRTI	2
Bronchiectasis	16
Bronchiolitis	13
COPD	793
Asthma	1
Healthy	35
Pneumonia	37
URTI	23

On the third part of the data analysis, we attempt to determine if some of the demographic data (sex, weight, ...) are of influencing the diagnosis. For this, a test of independence using both correlation and Chi Square tests are evaluated, considering the following features: 'diagnosisIndex', 'age', 'sexIndex', 'adultBMI', 'sample_rate', 'sample_length', 'chLocIndex', 'acqModeIndex', 'recEqptIndex'. The tests show no dependency between diagnosis and other features.

Since the initial goal of the project is to auto diagnose a patient based patient information and raw recorded audio data, the annotation files, where crackles and wheezes are tagged per respiratory cycles, are not taken into account for the remaining of the analysis.

The last step of the dataset discovery and exploration consists of a visual analysis of the recorded audio data.

A sample with one record for each diagnosis is extracted from the audio samples.



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The displays of audio signal as time series, along with spectrograms of the same samples show specific signatures for the different respiratory diseases picked-up in the sample, except LRTI and URTI which are very similar, and Pneumonia which is visually (on the inspected sample) close to the 2.

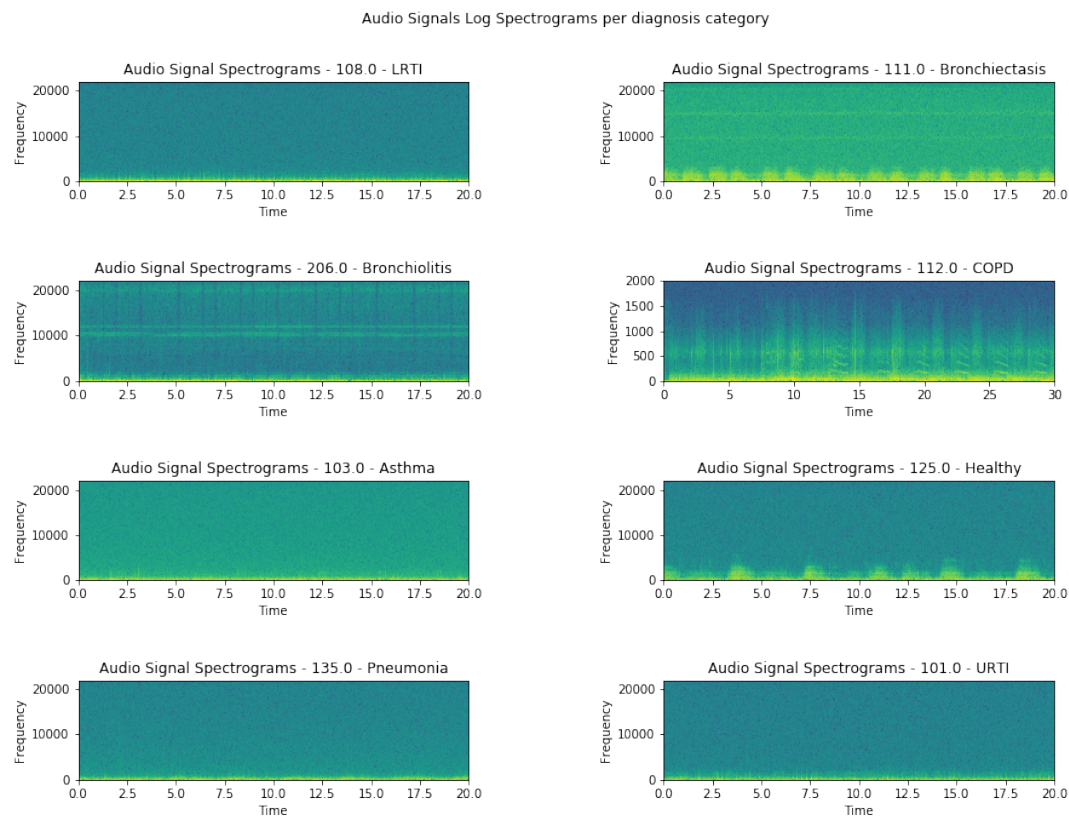


Figure 4 - Log Spectrograms sample per diagnosis type

This is even clearer when looking at spectrograms with a logarithmic scale, as below.

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Linear-frequency power Spectrograms per diagnosis category

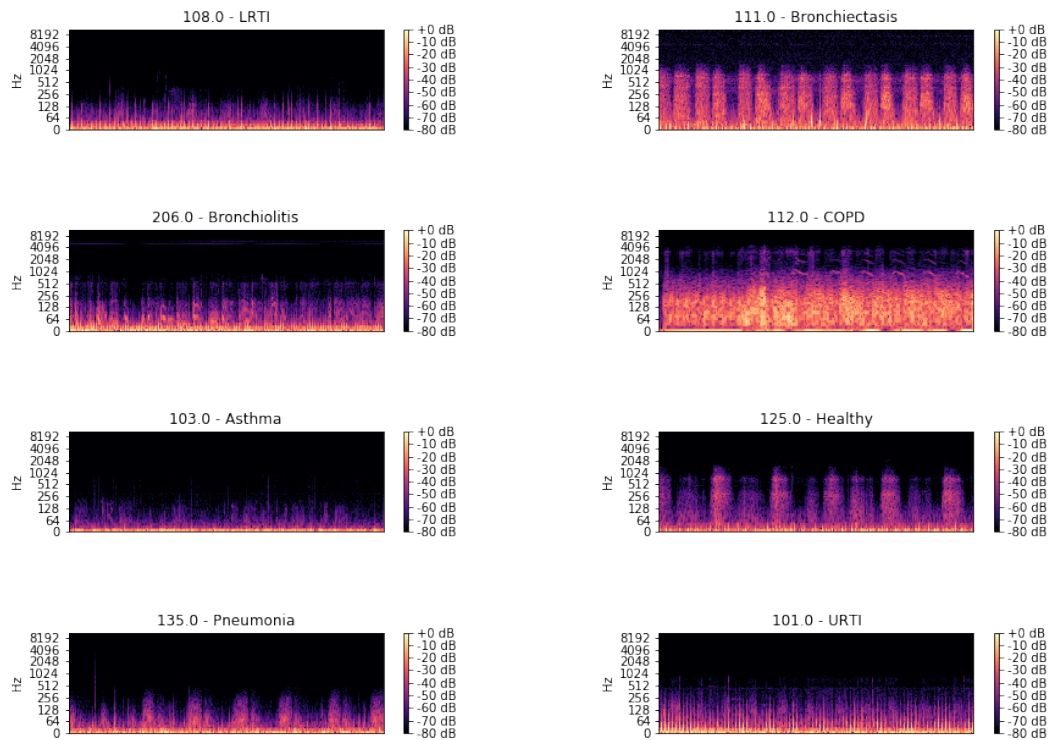


Figure 5 – Linear-frequency power spectrograms sample per diagnosis category

Finally, since records need to be normalized, the log spectrograms are displayed within 2 different sample rates: original 44100Hz and a reduced rate of 12000Hz.

Linear-frequency power Spectrograms per diagnosis category - Resampled at rate 12000bps

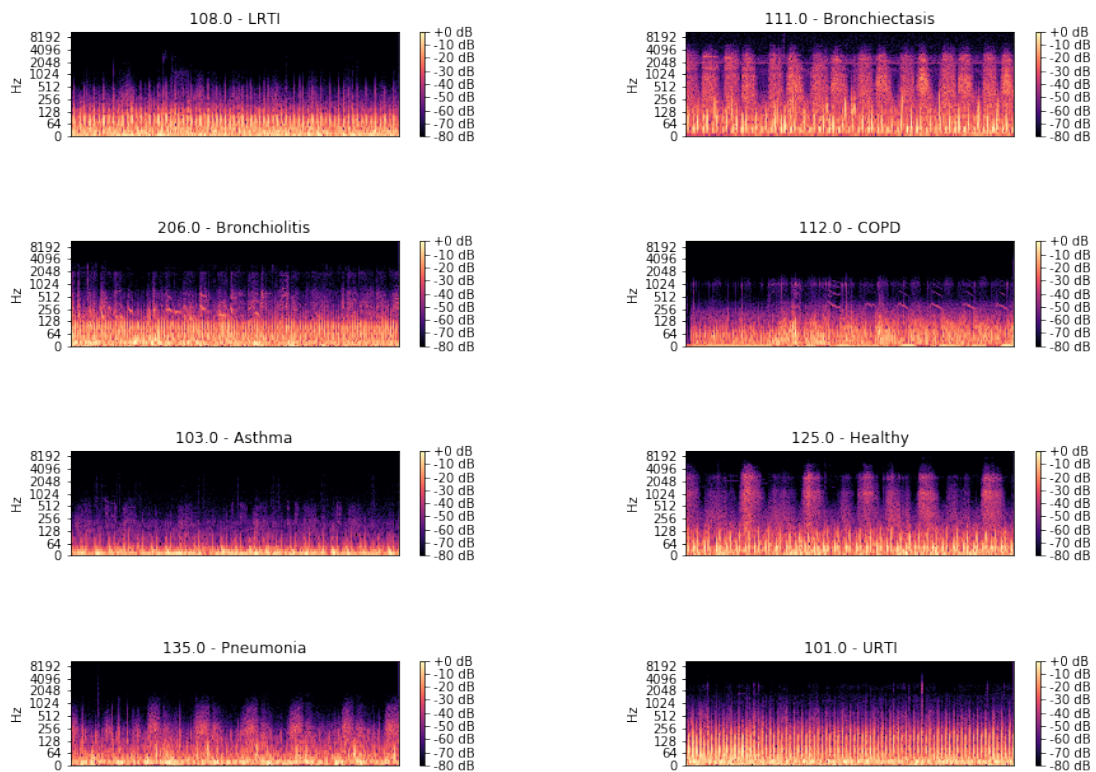


Figure 6 - Linear-frequency power spectrograms sample per diagnosis category - resamples at rate 12000bps

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Even if the 12000Hz diagrams are less clear, they still allow to distinguish specific forms for the selected samples.

For the remaining of the project a sampling rate of 12000Hz will be used.

2.6.2 Justification

Mel-Frequency Cepstral Coefficients - MFCC – audio signal transformation choice is justified by its compact format compared to spectrogram or wavelet approaches.

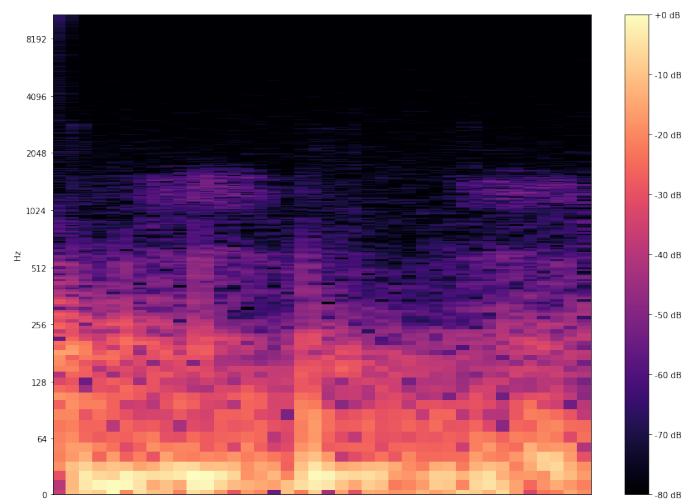


Figure 7 - Mel-Frequency Cepstral Coefficients - MFCC

The selected technologies are open source and widely supported, including on laptop and on IBM Watson Studio.

In particular:

- Jupyter notebook allows to easily share the project;
- Pandas has nicer table displays than Spark;
- matplotlib is versatile and sufficient for the displays needed for the project;
- librosa is a rich and widely used audio signal processing library, and includes various signal processing techniques along with built-in display (based on matplotlib). It supports the MFCC transformation algorithm, selected to be used for feature transformation of the audio signals, and has good processing performances.

The resampling at a sample rate of 12000Hz will be used, as a trade-off between model quality and memory consumption for performances purposes, and also in order to keep the 4000Hz samples without too much oversampling.

2.7 Actionable Insights

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2.7.1 Technology Choice

2.7.1.1 Models

In order to perform multi-class classification of the Respiratory disorder features, four types of classifier models are defined and evaluated against the two generated data features (without and with data augmentation):

- Machine Learning models
 - o Random Forest
 - o Support Vector Machine (SVM)
- DL Models (on augmented data only)
 - o Deep Feed Forward Neural Network (DFF-NN)
 - o Convolutional Neural Network (CNN)

The Machine Learning models were first defined. The models performance evaluation show that the models performances on training set and prediction on the test set are very influenced by the unbalanced characteristic of the features, the records being mainly corresponding to diagnosis type COPD. This led to the generation of the balanced set of features with data augmentation.

	Dataset →	respiratoryData	respiratoryData_ augmented
Notebook	Model		
BNA_Capstone_Model_ML-v1.0.1, BNA_Capstone_Model_ML-v1.3	Random Forest	x	x
BNA_Capstone_Model_ML-v1.0.1, BNA_Capstone_Model_ML-v1.3	SVM(kernel='poly', degree=8)	x	x
BNA_Capstone_Model_DL-v1.3	DFF-NN		x
BNA_Capstone_Model_DL-v1.3	CNN		x
BNA_Capstone_Model_DL-v1.3	CNN(with LeakyReLU layers)		x

The models parameters are available on the notebooks.

2.7.1.2 Models Performance Evaluation

Since this is a multi-class supervised classification problem, the metrics used for model evaluation are:

- precision,
- recall,
- F1-score,
- confusion matrix.

The models assessment is also performed regarding their generalization performance (underfitting/overfitting) by looking at the accuracy and loss for both training/validation and test sets.

For DL neural network models, the drawing of the accuracy and loss curves (on Tensorboard

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and on Keras/Tensorflow) for both training and validation phases, provides a visual understanding of the learning curves.

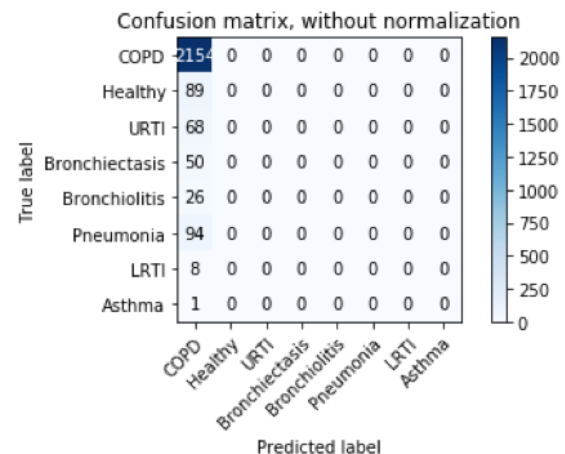
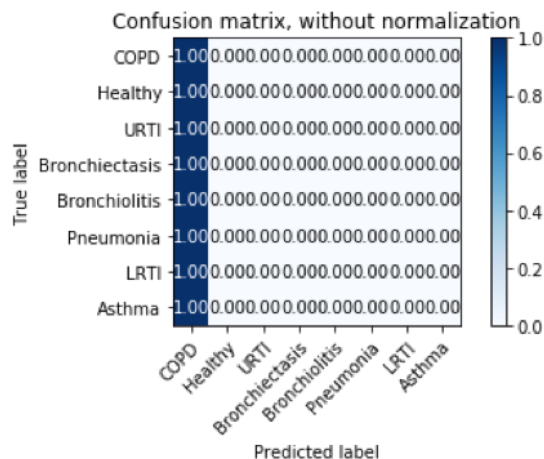
2.7.1.3 Results

2.7.1.3.1 First Iteration on Respiratory data (with no augmentation)

The first iteration was conducted on the respiratory dataset.

The dataset is split into 70% of training data and 30% of test data.

Random Forest



The Random Forest model could not categorize any data, and predicts only the most represented diagnosis type, COPD.

SVM

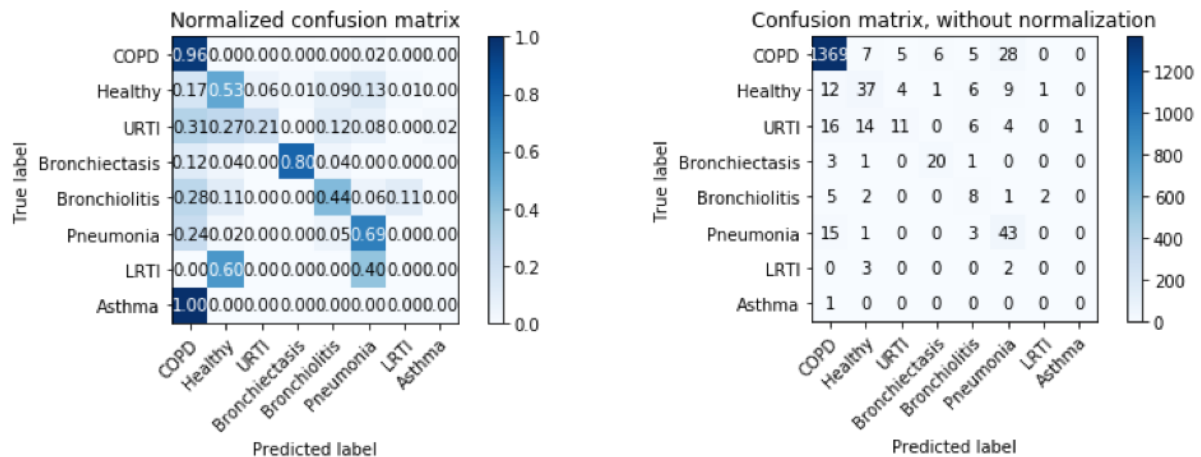
SVM gives the following prediction performances.

	precision	recall	f1-score	support
0.0	0.96	0.96	0.96	1420
1.0	0.57	0.53	0.55	70
2.0	0.55	0.21	0.31	52
3.0	0.74	0.80	0.77	25
4.0	0.28	0.44	0.34	18
5.0	0.49	0.69	0.58	62
6.0	0.00	0.00	0.00	5
7.0	0.00	0.00	0.00	1
avg / total	0.90	0.90	0.90	1653

The results on the table are led by the unbalanced property of the dataset.

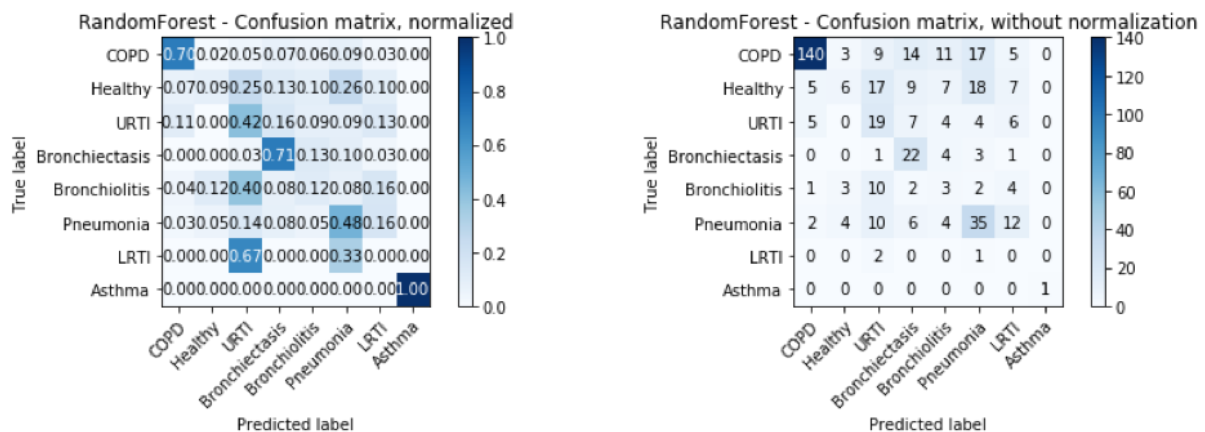
The confusion matrix below shows that even if SVM succeed in classifying some of the samples with lower occurrence, the overall result is driven by the COPD over-representation.

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2.7.1.3.2 Second iteration: respiratory dataset with augmented data

2.7.1.3.2.1 Random Forest



Even if better than in the first iteration, Random Forest classifier provides poor results.

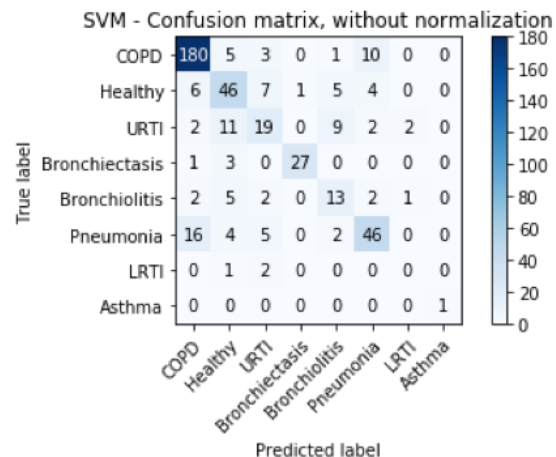
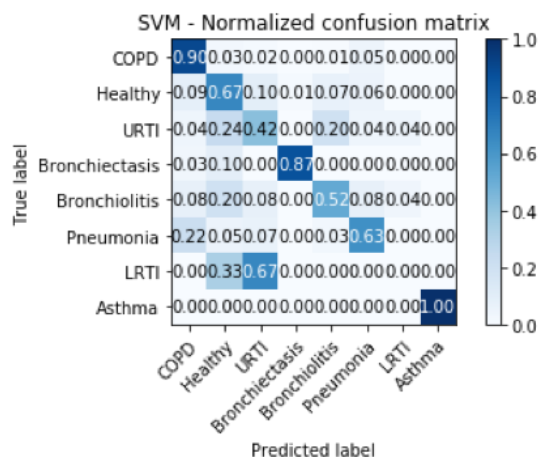
2.7.1.3.2.2 SVM

SVM with the same parameters gives the following prediction performances.

	precision	recall	f1-score	support
0.0	0.87	0.90	0.89	199
1.0	0.61	0.67	0.64	69
2.0	0.50	0.42	0.46	45
3.0	0.96	0.87	0.92	31
4.0	0.43	0.52	0.47	25
5.0	0.72	0.63	0.67	73
6.0	0.00	0.00	0.00	3
7.0	1.00	1.00	1.00	1
avg / total	0.74	0.74	0.74	446

The prediction performances are significantly increased.

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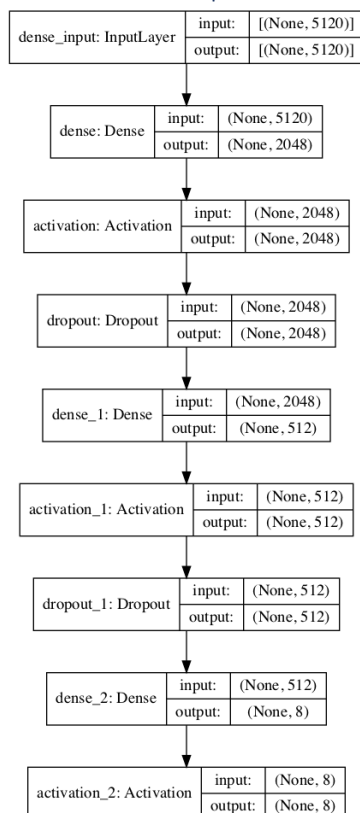
2.7.1.3.2.3 Deep Learning models

Several Deep Learning models were experimented. Their description and results are dumped on the paragraphs below:

- Definition
- Model performance:
 - Training and validation accuracy and loss
 - Prediction performances:
 - Precision, recall, F1-score table,
 - Confusion matrix, normalized (between 0 and 1) or absolute.

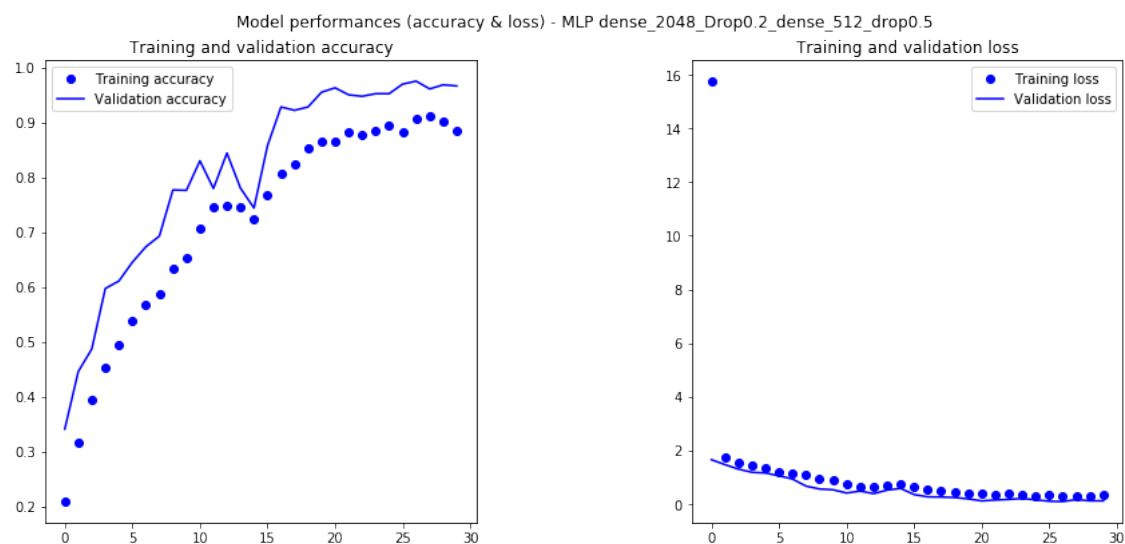
These chapters are inserted for details, and can be skipped up to the Synthesis chapter.

2.7.1.3.2.4 Deep Feed Forward Neural Network (DFF-NN)



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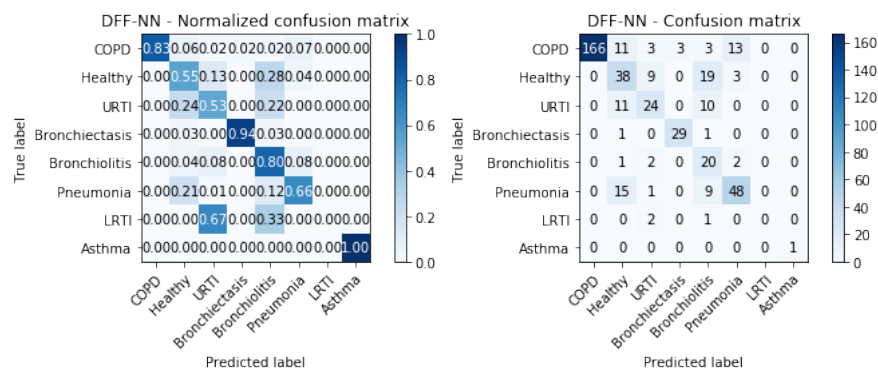
Layer (type)	Output Shape	Param #
dense (Dense)	(None, 2048)	10487808
activation (Activation)	(None, 2048)	0
dropout (Dropout)	(None, 2048)	0
dense_1 (Dense)	(None, 512)	1049088
activation_1 (Activation)	(None, 512)	0
dropout_1 (Dropout)	(None, 512)	0
dense_2 (Dense)	(None, 8)	4104



Train accuracy: 0.9800412
 Train loss: 0.09062205221953351
 Val accuracy: 0.96637523
 Val loss: 0.12578026396137862
 Test accuracy: 0.7309417
 Test loss: 1.020298310994033

	precision	recall	f1-score	support
COPD	1.00	0.83	0.91	199
Healthy	0.49	0.55	0.52	69
URTI	0.59	0.53	0.56	45
Bronchiectasis	0.91	0.94	0.92	31
Bronchiolitis	0.32	0.80	0.45	25
Pneumonia	0.73	0.66	0.69	73
LRTI	0.00	0.00	0.00	3
Asthma	1.00	1.00	1.00	1
avg / total	0.78	0.73	0.75	446

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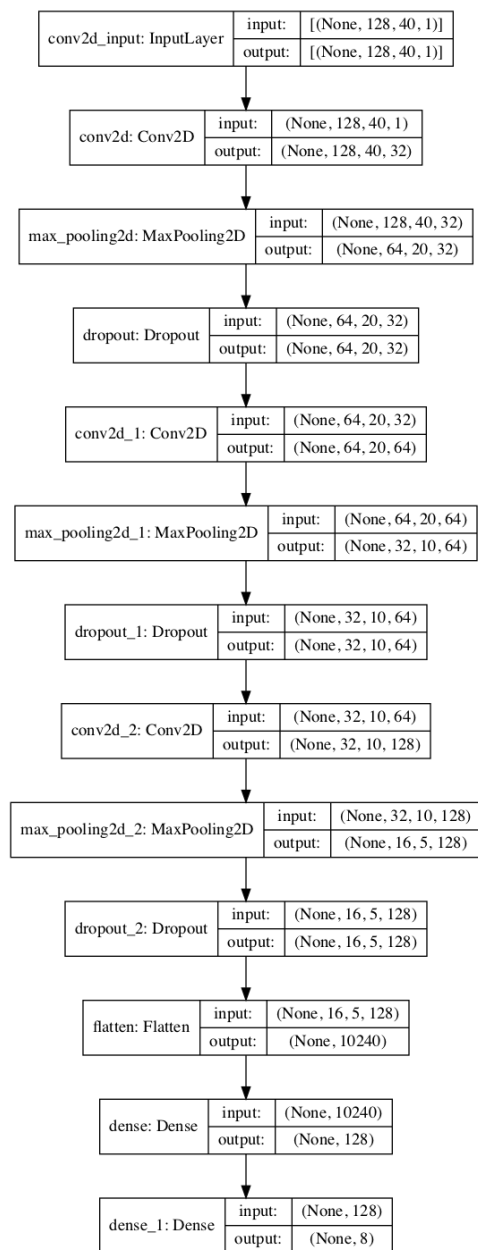
2.7.1.3.2.5 Convolutional Neural Networks (CNN)

The results relative to CNN model are stacked in this chapter, for exhaustive information purpose.

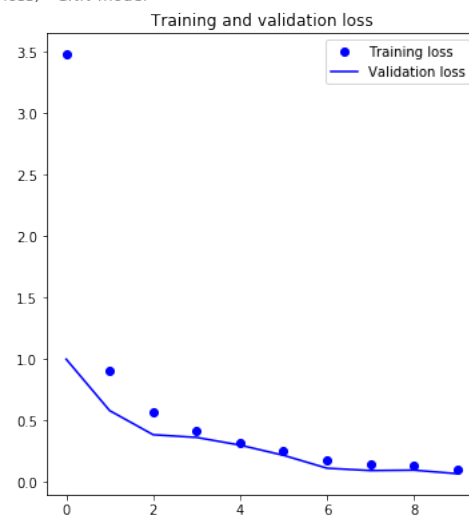
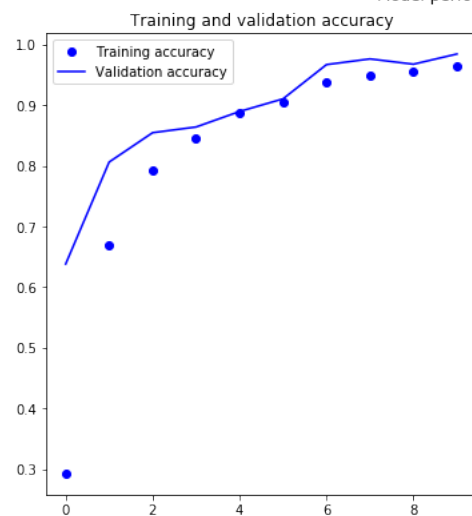
Model: "CNN-model"

Layer (type)	Output Shape	Param #
conv2d (Conv2D)	(None, 128, 40, 32)	320
max_pooling2d (MaxPooling2D)	(None, 64, 20, 32)	0
dropout (Dropout)	(None, 64, 20, 32)	0
conv2d_1 (Conv2D)	(None, 64, 20, 64)	18496
max_pooling2d_1 (MaxPooling2D)	(None, 32, 10, 64)	0
dropout_1 (Dropout)	(None, 32, 10, 64)	0
conv2d_2 (Conv2D)	(None, 32, 10, 128)	73856
max_pooling2d_2 (MaxPooling2D)	(None, 16, 5, 128)	0
dropout_2 (Dropout)	(None, 16, 5, 128)	0
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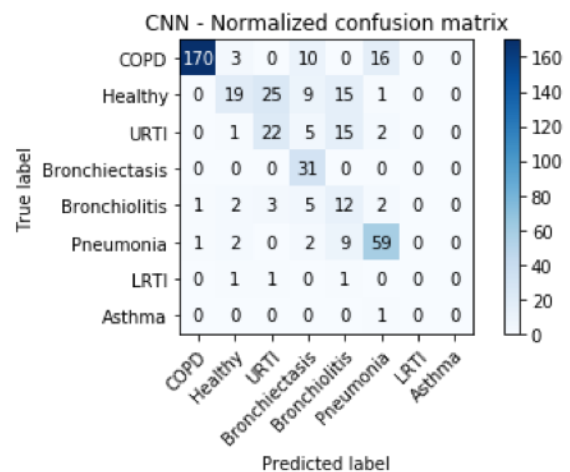
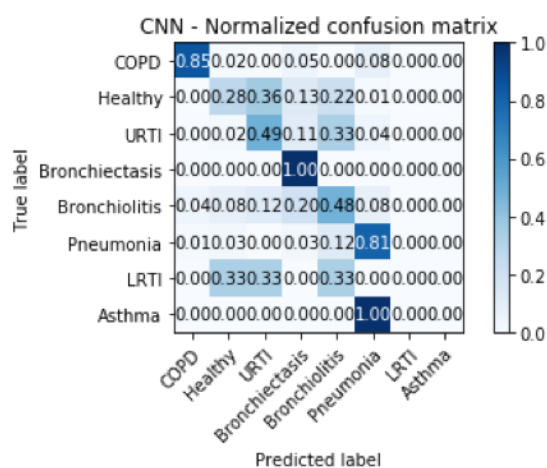
Model performances (accuracy & loss) - CNN-model



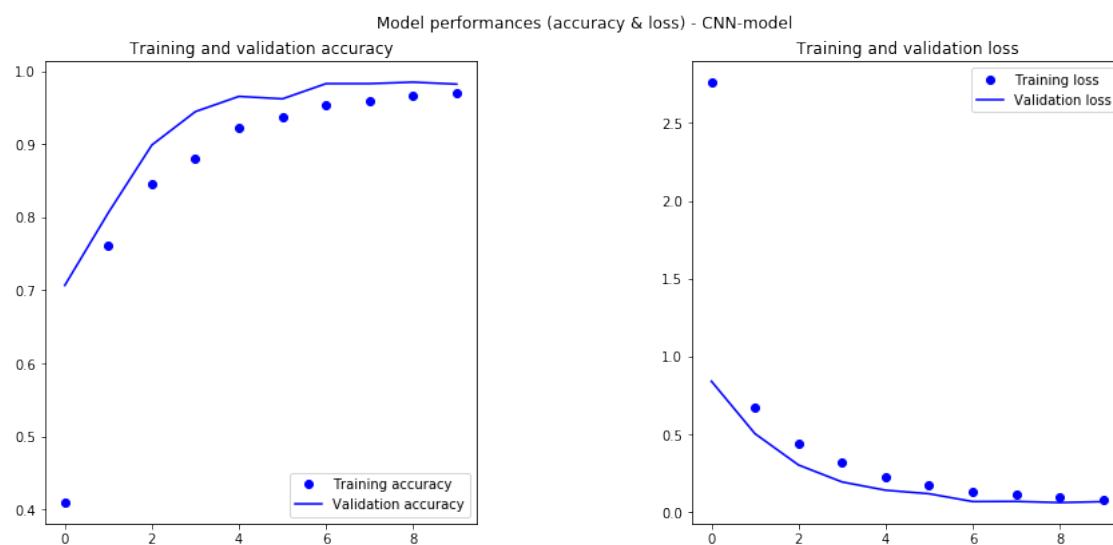
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Val accuracy: 0.9845326
 Val loss: 0.06750214426193361
 Test accuracy: 0.80717486
 Test loss: 0.6048165594515779

precision	recall	f1-score	support		
	COPD	0.93	0.91	0.92	199
	Healthy	0.80	0.68	0.73	69
	URTI	0.56	0.67	0.61	45
Bronchiectasis		0.93	0.90	0.92	31
Bronchiolitis		0.50	0.72	0.59	25
Pneumonia		0.83	0.74	0.78	73
LRTI		0.50	0.33	0.40	3
Asthma		0.20	1.00	0.33	1
avg / total		0.83	0.81	0.81	446



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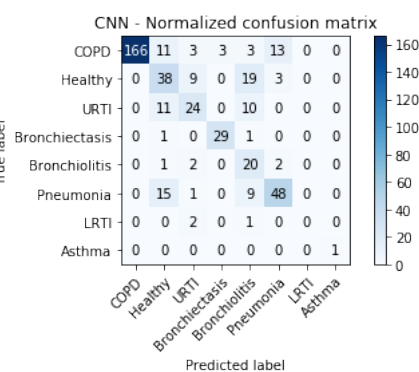
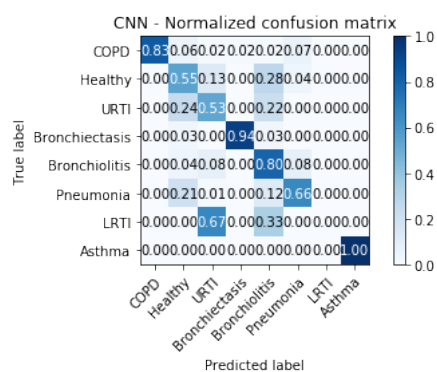


Train accuracy: 0.9954063
 Train loss: 0.01837654190781805

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Val accuracy: 0.98251516
 Val loss: 0.06653076739980088
 Test accuracy: 0.7735426
 Test loss: 0.7832625452178477

	precision	recall	f1-score	support
COPD	0.92	0.88	0.90	199
Healthy	0.56	0.75	0.64	69
URTI	0.52	0.51	0.52	45
Bronchiectasis	0.94	0.94	0.94	31
Bronchiolitis	0.65	0.52	0.58	25
Pneumonia	0.80	0.70	0.74	73
LRTI	0.33	0.33	0.33	3
Asthma	1.00	1.00	1.00	1
avg / total	0.79	0.77	0.78	446



CNN LeakyReLU

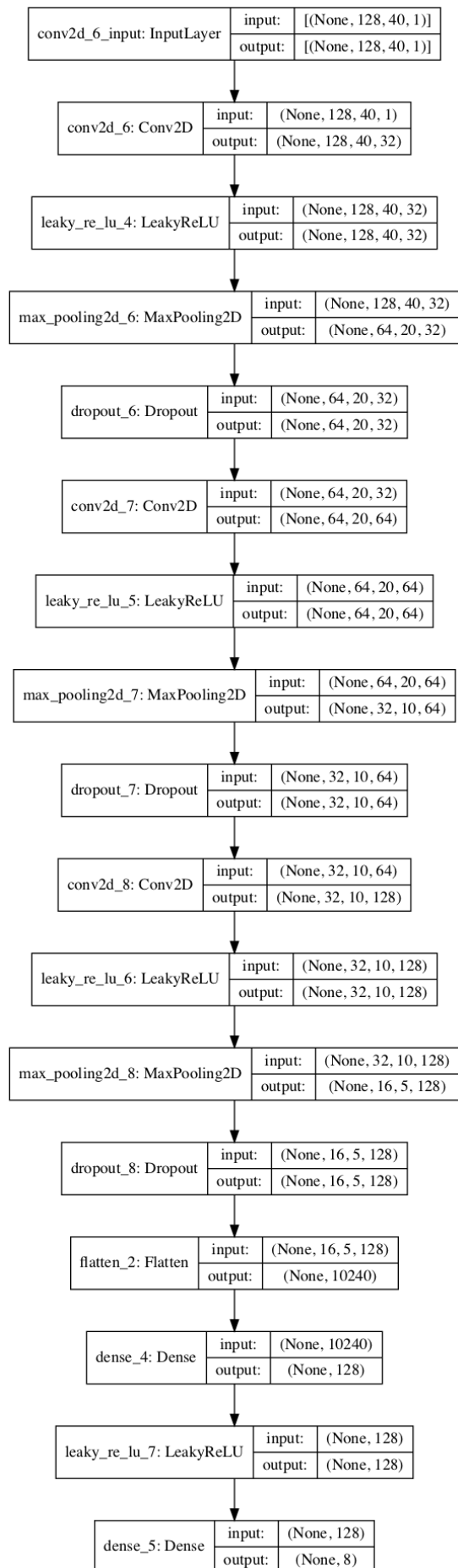
Model: "CNN-model_LeakyReLU"

Layer (type)	Output Shape	Param #
conv2d_6 (Conv2D)	(None, 128, 40, 32)	320
leaky_re_lu_4 (LeakyReLU)	(None, 128, 40, 32)	0
max_pooling2d_6 (MaxPooling2)	(None, 64, 20, 32)	0
dropout_6 (Dropout)	(None, 64, 20, 32)	0
conv2d_7 (Conv2D)	(None, 64, 20, 64)	18496
leaky_re_lu_5 (LeakyReLU)	(None, 64, 20, 64)	0
max_pooling2d_7 (MaxPooling2)	(None, 32, 10, 64)	0
dropout_7 (Dropout)	(None, 32, 10, 64)	0
conv2d_8 (Conv2D)	(None, 32, 10, 128)	73856
leaky_re_lu_6 (LeakyReLU)	(None, 32, 10, 128)	0

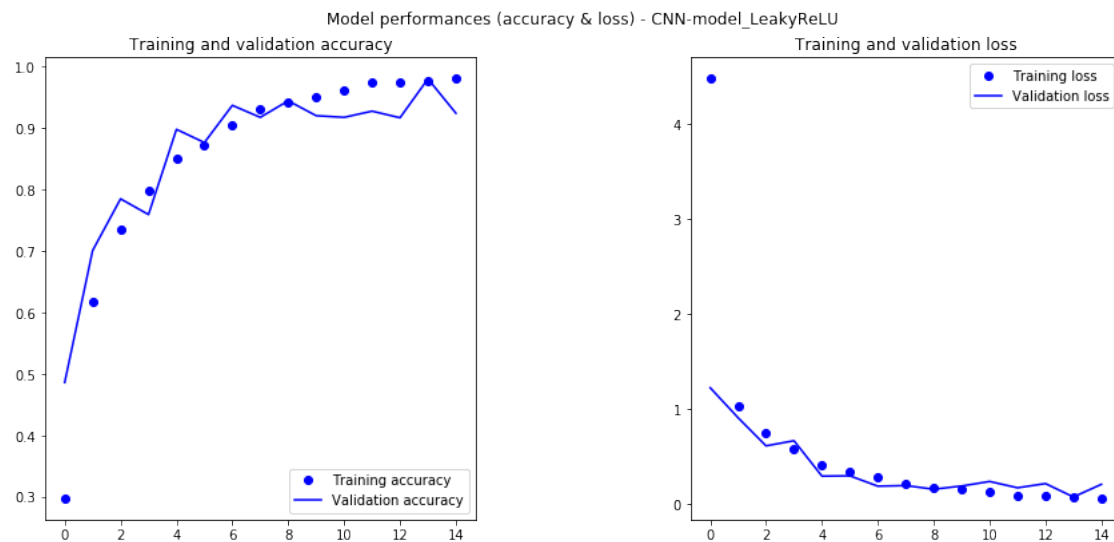
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max_pooling2d_8	(MaxPooling2 (None, 16, 5, 128)	0
dropout_8	(Dropout) (None, 16, 5, 128)	0
flatten_2	(Flatten) (None, 10240)	0
dense_4	(Dense) (None, 128)	1310848
leaky_re_lu_7	(LeakyReLU) (None, 128)	0
dense_5	(Dense) (None, 8)	1032
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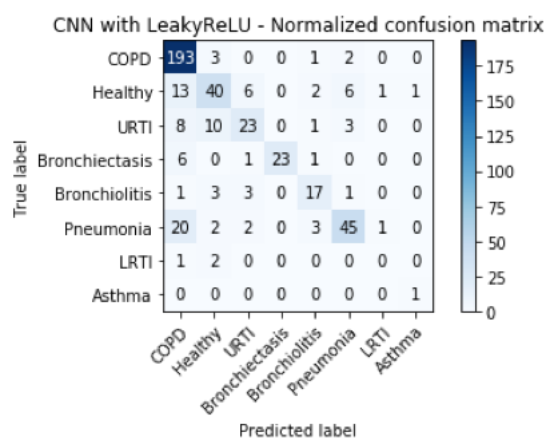
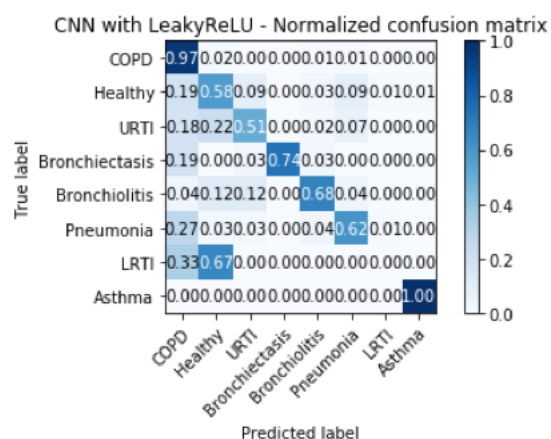


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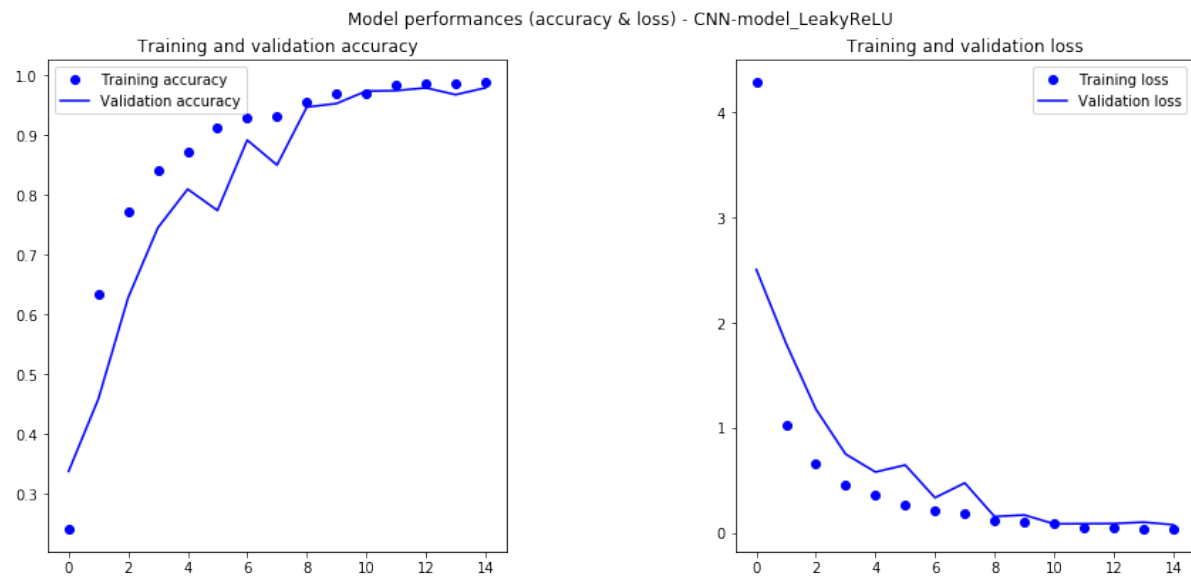
Val loss: 0.2061 - categorical_accuracy: 0.9240
 Test loss: 0.9865 - categorical_accuracy: 0.7668
 Test accuracy: 0.76681614
 Test loss: 0.9864628127538035

precision	recall	f1-score	support		
	COPD	0.80	0.97	0.88	199
	Healthy	0.67	0.58	0.62	69
	URTI	0.66	0.51	0.57	45
Bronchiectasis		1.00	0.74	0.85	31
Bronchiolitis		0.68	0.68	0.68	25
Pneumonia		0.79	0.62	0.69	73
LRTI		0.00	0.00	0.00	3
Asthma		0.50	1.00	0.67	1
avg / total		0.76	0.77	0.76	446



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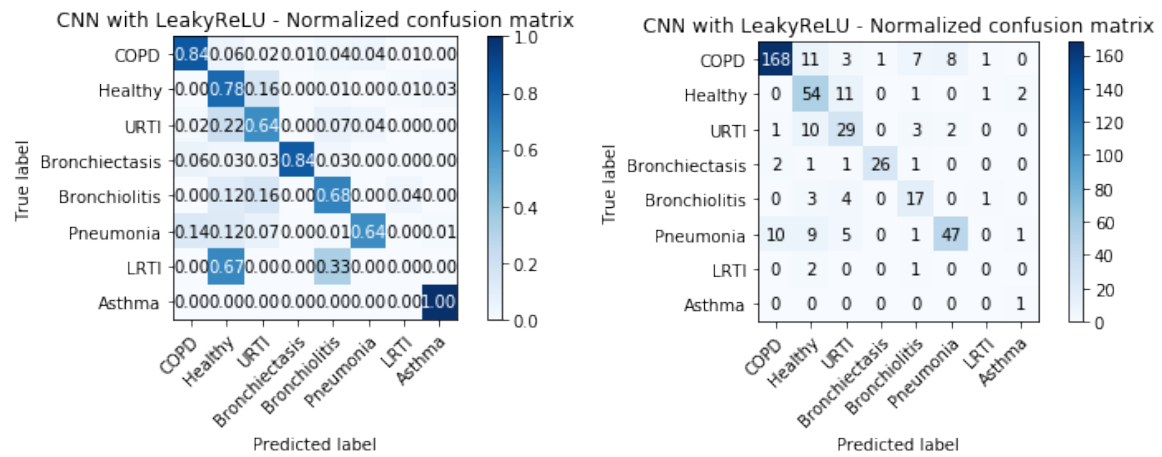
2nd run



Train accuracy: 0.990971
Train loss: 0.034122208821784294
Val accuracy: 0.9791527
Val loss: 0.07943202468121549
Test accuracy: 0.76681614
Test loss: 0.9889184979579908

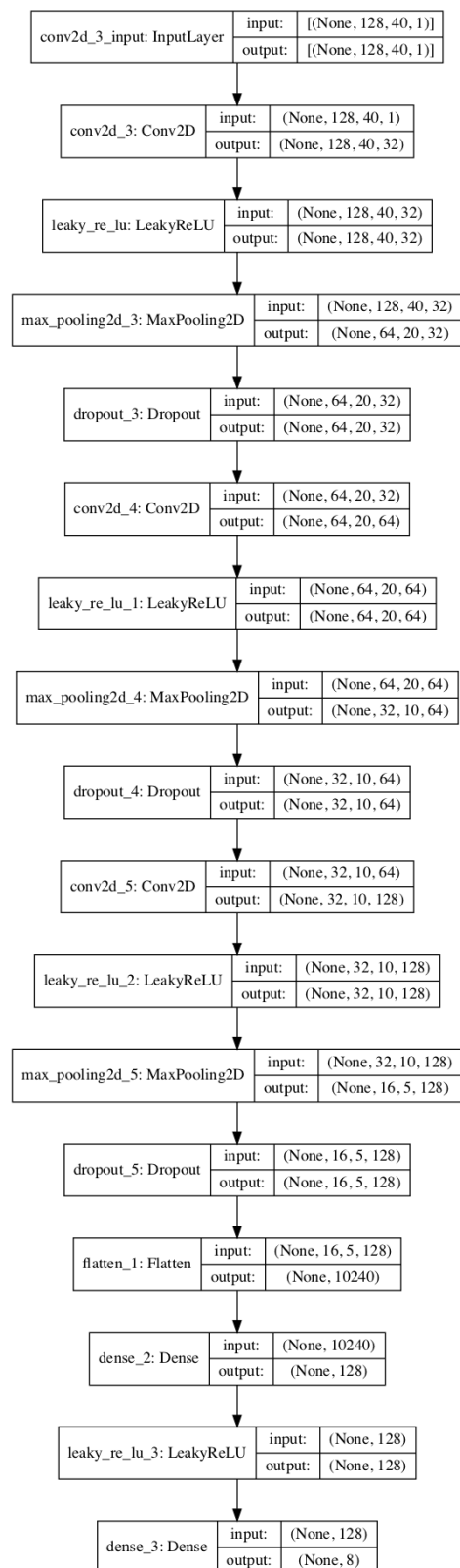
	precision	recall	f1-score	support
COPD	0.93	0.84	0.88	199
Healthy	0.60	0.78	0.68	69
URTI	0.55	0.64	0.59	45
Bronchiectasis	0.96	0.84	0.90	31
Bronchiolitis	0.55	0.68	0.61	25
Pneumonia	0.82	0.64	0.72	73
LRTI	0.00	0.00	0.00	3
Asthma	0.25	1.00	0.40	1
avg / total	0.80	0.77	0.77	446

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3rd run with Dropout layers coefficients reduced to 0.1.

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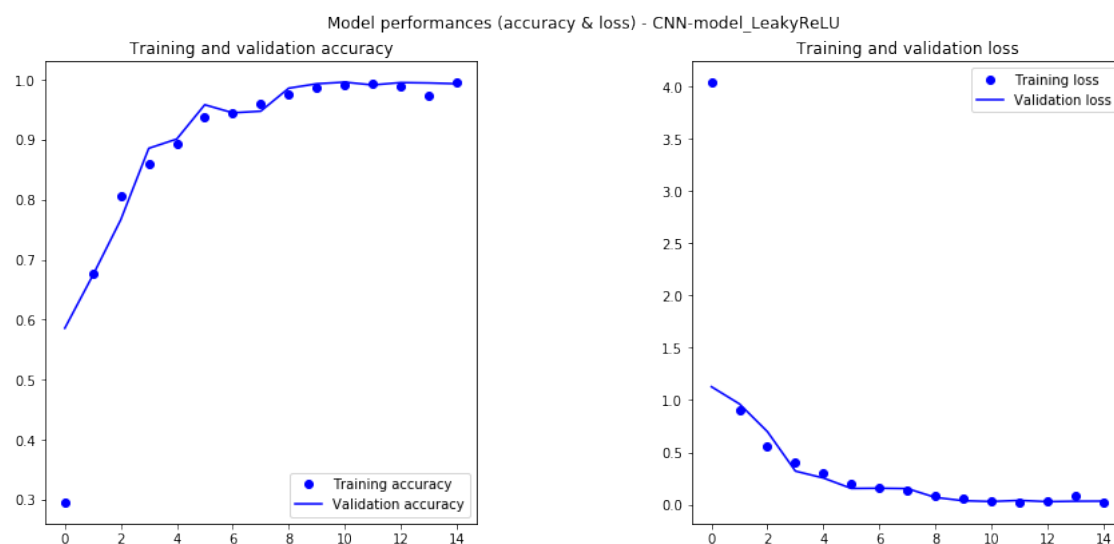


Model: "CNN-model_LeakyReLU"

Layer (type)	Output Shape	Param #
conv2d_3 (Conv2D)	(None, 128, 40, 32)	320

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leaky_re_lu (LeakyReLU)	(None, 128, 40, 32)	0
max_pooling2d_3 (MaxPooling2	(None, 64, 20, 32)	0
dropout_3 (Dropout)	(None, 64, 20, 32)	0
conv2d_4 (Conv2D)	(None, 64, 20, 64)	18496
leaky_re_lu_1 (LeakyReLU)	(None, 64, 20, 64)	0
max_pooling2d_4 (MaxPooling2	(None, 32, 10, 64)	0
dropout_4 (Dropout)	(None, 32, 10, 64)	0
conv2d_5 (Conv2D)	(None, 32, 10, 128)	73856
leaky_re_lu_2 (LeakyReLU)	(None, 32, 10, 128)	0
max_pooling2d_5 (MaxPooling2	(None, 16, 5, 128)	0
dropout_5 (Dropout)	(None, 16, 5, 128)	0
flatten_1 (Flatten)	(None, 10240)	0
dense_2 (Dense)	(None, 128)	1310848
leaky_re_lu_3 (LeakyReLU)	(None, 128)	0
dense_3 (Dense)	(None, 8)	1032
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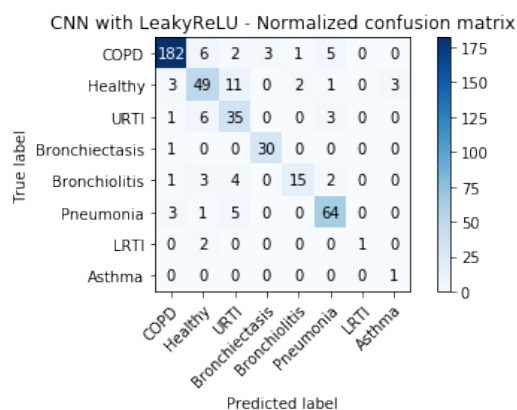
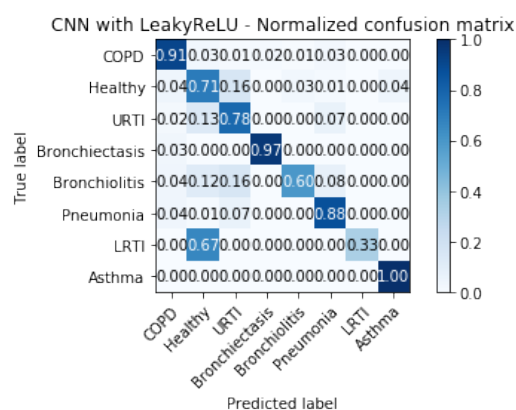


	precision	recall	f1-score	support
COPD	0.95	0.91	0.93	199
Healthy	0.73	0.71	0.72	69

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URTI	0.61	0.78	0.69	45
Bronchiectasis	0.91	0.97	0.94	31
Bronchiolitis	0.83	0.60	0.70	25
Pneumonia	0.85	0.88	0.86	73
LRTI	1.00	0.33	0.50	3
Asthma	0.25	1.00	0.40	1
avg / total	0.86	0.85	0.85	446

Train accuracy: 0.9996832
 Train loss: 0.0035000012984810445
 Val accuracy: 0.99327505
 Val loss: 0.03351340858136307
 Test accuracy: 0.8452915
 Test loss: 0.6733562957010997



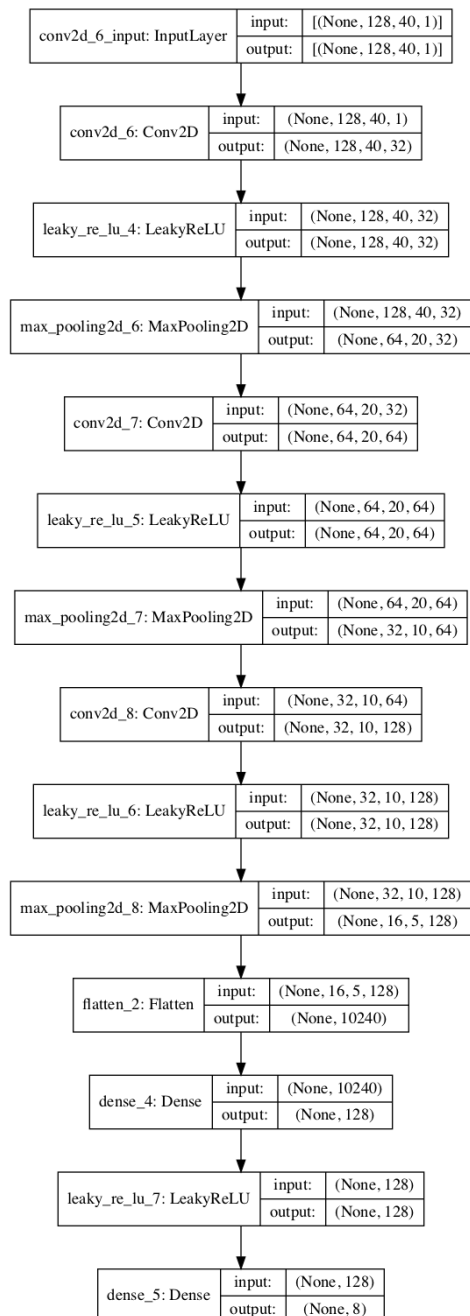
CNN Model LeakyReLU no Drop

Model: "CNN-model_LeakyReLU_NoDropOut"

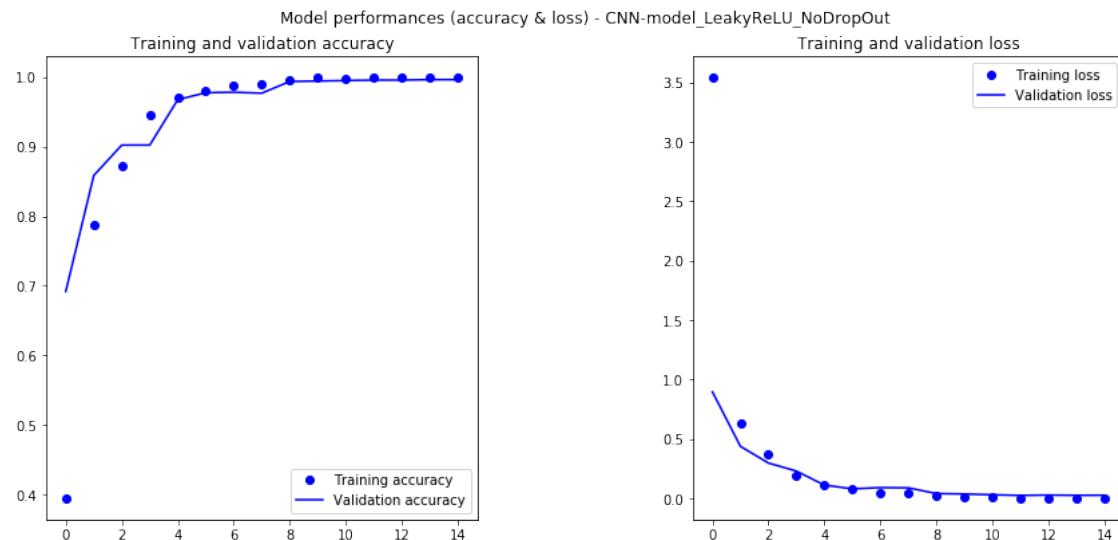
Layer (type)	Output Shape	Param #
conv2d_6 (Conv2D)	(None, 128, 40, 32)	320
leaky_re_lu_4 (LeakyReLU)	(None, 128, 40, 32)	0
max_pooling2d_6 (MaxPooling2)	(None, 64, 20, 32)	0
conv2d_7 (Conv2D)	(None, 64, 20, 64)	18496
leaky_re_lu_5 (LeakyReLU)	(None, 64, 20, 64)	0
max_pooling2d_7 (MaxPooling2)	(None, 32, 10, 64)	0
conv2d_8 (Conv2D)	(None, 32, 10, 128)	73856
leaky_re_lu_6 (LeakyReLU)	(None, 32, 10, 128)	0
max_pooling2d_8 (MaxPooling2)	(None, 16, 5, 128)	0

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flatten_2 (Flatten)	(None, 10240)	0
dense_4 (Dense)	(None, 128)	1310848
leaky_re_lu_7 (LeakyReLU)	(None, 128)	0
dense_5 (Dense)	(None, 8)	1032
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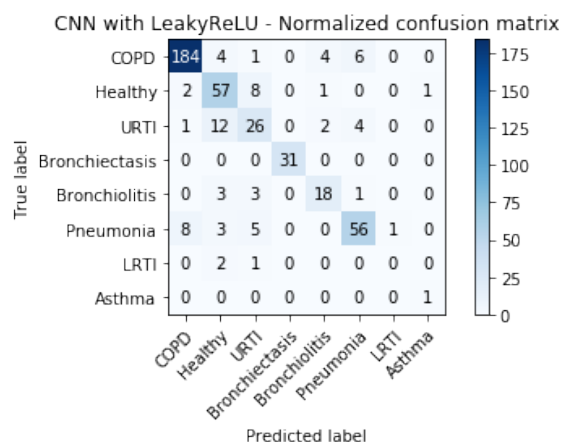
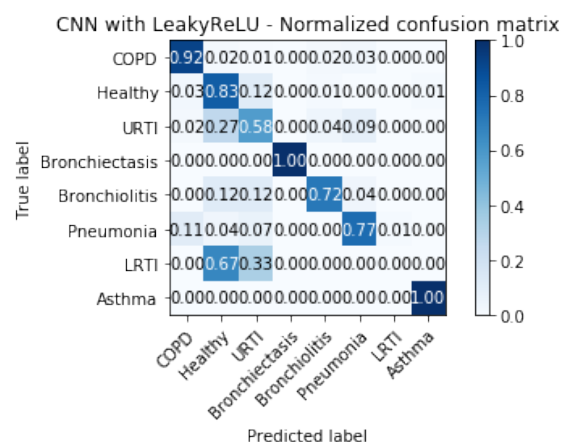


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Train accuracy: 1.0
 Train loss: 0.0006165395029799963
 Val accuracy: 0.9966375
 Val loss: 0.028135972805891942
 Test accuracy: 0.83632284
 Test loss: 0.7555456533025733

	precision	recall	f1-score	support
COPD	0.94	0.92	0.93	199
Healthy	0.70	0.83	0.76	69
URTI	0.59	0.58	0.58	45
Bronchiectasis	1.00	1.00	1.00	31
Bronchiolitis	0.72	0.72	0.72	25
Pneumonia	0.84	0.77	0.80	73
LRTI	0.00	0.00	0.00	3
Asthma	0.50	1.00	0.67	1
avg / total	0.84	0.84	0.84	446



2.7.1.4 Synthesis

The table below synthetize the overall best performance obtained from the models of interest.

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Model	Parameters	Train Accuracy	Train Loss	Validation Accuracy	Validation Loss	Test Accuracy	Test Loss	Precision	Recall	F1-score
CNN-model_LeakyReLU_NoDropOut		1,000	0,001	0,997	0,028	0,836	0,756	0,84	0,84	0,84
CNN-model_LeakyReLU	Dropout=0.1	1,000	0,004	0,993	0,034	0,845	0,673	0,86	0,85	0,85
CNN-model_LeakyReLU	Dropout=0.3	0,991	0,034	0,979	0,079	0,767	0,989	0,79	0,77	0,78
CNN-model	Dropout=0.3			0,985	0,068	0,807	0,605	0,83	0,81	0,81
DFF-NN	Dropout=0.5	0,980	0,091	0,966	0,126	0,731	1,020	0,78	0,73	0,75
SVM	poly, degree=8					0,740		0,74	0,74	0,74

The best prediction model experimented are so far the CNN models with LeakyReLU and a weak Dropout layer with dropout coefficient 0.1, in term of prediction accuracy, balance across diagnosis types, and stability. Model with LeakyReLU and no dropout is almost at the same level, with a slight difference. More iterations (Monte Carlo for example) would be needed to evaluate one against the other.

The model performances are remained below.

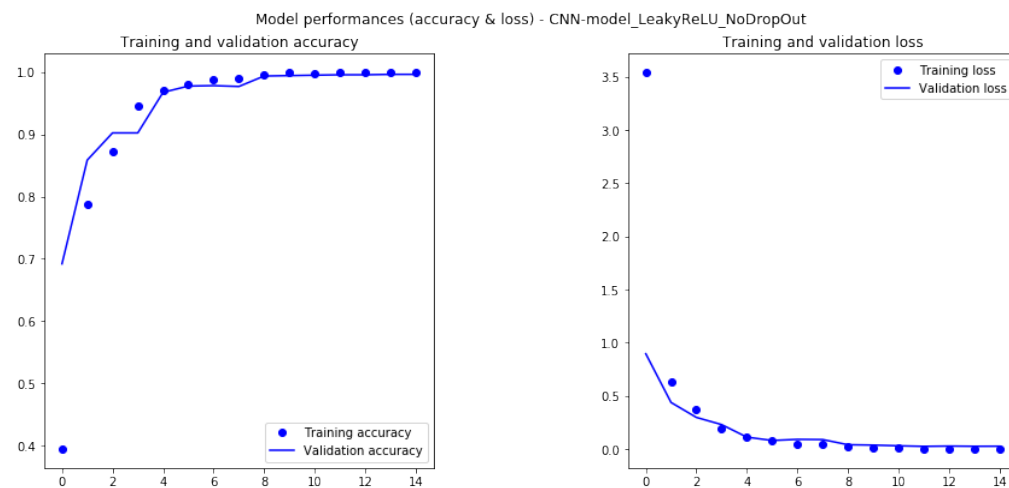


Figure 8- LeakyReLU with dropout=0.1 Train & Validation accuracy/loss

Both train and validation curves show a good fit.

	precision	recall	f1-score	support
COPD	0.95	0.91	0.93	199
Healthy	0.73	0.71	0.72	69
URTI	0.61	0.78	0.69	45
Bronchiectasis	0.91	0.97	0.94	31
Bronchiolitis	0.83	0.60	0.70	25
Pneumonia	0.85	0.88	0.86	73
LRTI	1.00	0.33	0.50	3
Asthma	0.25	1.00	0.40	1
avg / total	0.86	0.85	0.85	446

Figure 9 – LeakyReLU with dropout=0.1 : classification report

The model has overall good performances excellent performances in both precision and recall on COPD, Bronchiectasis and Pneumonia, and overall good performances on other categories, with a relative balance in confusion between false positives and true negatives.

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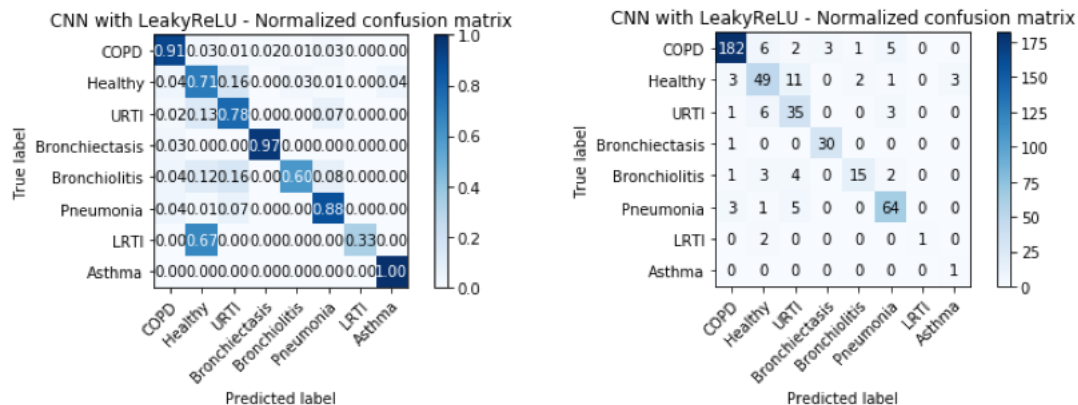


Figure 10 - LeakyReLU with dropout=0.1 Confusion Matrix

The model performances have been improved mainly by:

- balancing the data by data augmentation techniques,
- for SVM, adapting the kernel strategy (poly, degree =8)
- for DFF-NN and CNNs, by adapting parameters such as batch size, drop coefficient of the Dropout layers, number of epochs, and adapting activation functions (such as ReLU vs LeakyReLU).

CNN models converge much faster than Feed forward neural network.

The CNN models with LeakyReLU and no dropout provide the best prediction performances while being more robust to the variations through the different runs.

	precision	recall	f1-score	support
COPD	0.94	0.92	0.93	199
Healthy	0.74	0.80	0.77	69
URTI	0.64	0.67	0.65	45
Bronchiectasis	0.94	1.00	0.97	31
Bronchiolitis	0.70	0.56	0.62	25
Pneumonia	0.81	0.84	0.82	73
LRTI	0.00	0.00	0.00	3
Asthma	1.00	1.00	1.00	1
avg / total	0.84	0.84	0.84	446

Figure 11- Prediction performance - CNN with LeakyReLU and no dropout

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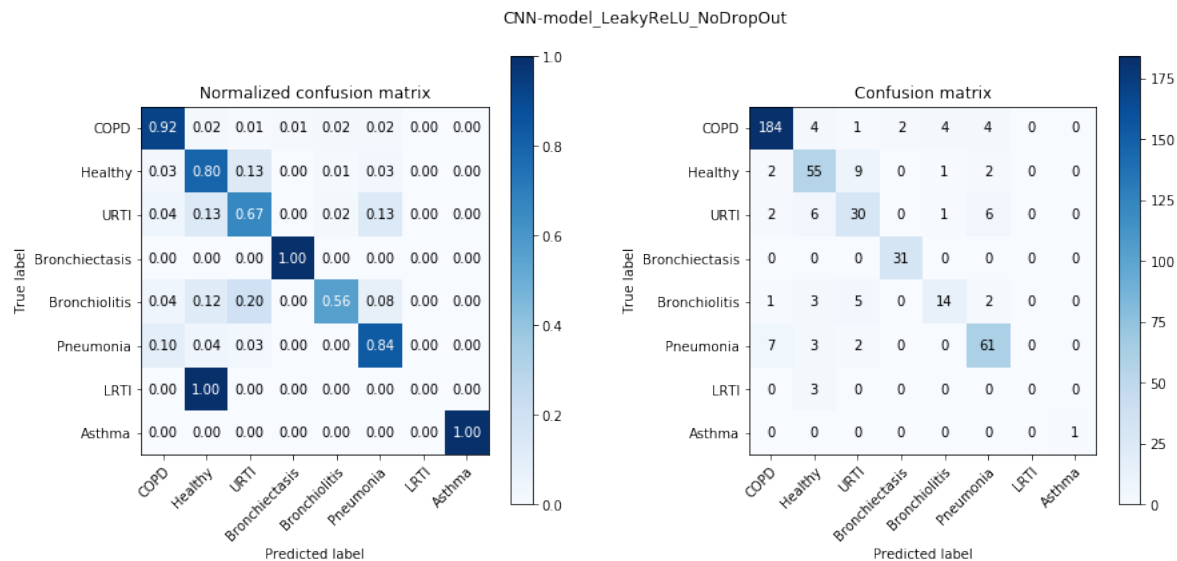


Figure 12 - Another run of CNN with LeakyReLU and no dropout

The best boost in performance was given by data augmentation (in general), the kernel adjustment (for SVM), and a combination of the use of the LeakyReLU activation function and drop coefficients adjustment (for neural networks).

2.7.2 Justification

Random Forest and Deep Feed Forward neural network are chosen to be reference “weak” learners for the ML and DL approach respectively.

SVM choice is justified by its characteristics of efficiency with a small datasets and ability to deal with noisy data and outliers.

The scikit-learn (0.19.1) SVM implementation was chosen because of its native support of multi-class and non-linear kernels, compared to the Spark MLlib implementation.

Convolutional Neural Networks were chosen in line with the MFCC feature transformation, with give an image-like vision of audio signals, and the performances of CNN regarding image classification .

Keras/Tensorflow choice is based on knowledge of the technologies.

Versions used are:

- Keras 2.2.2
- Tensorflow 2.0.0a0

The LeakyReLU activation function choice was driven by the variability in prediction performances of the CNN model with Dropout and ReLU. ReLU seemed to make cells dying too fast, thus implying the model to drive choices based on the content of the training dataset (overfitting). The LeakyReLU activation function is an attempt to solve dying ReLU.

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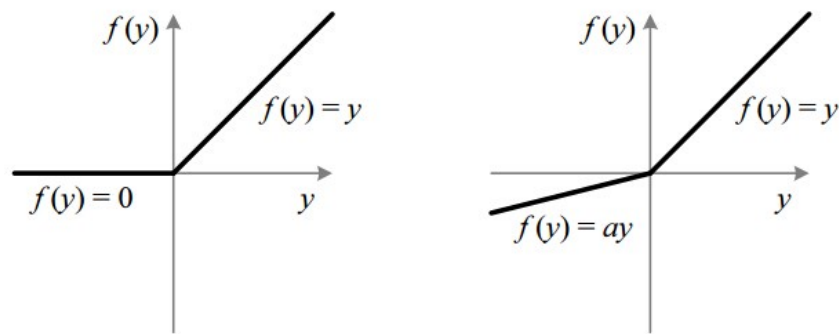


Figure 13- ReLU vs. LeakyReLU (source: SAGAR SHARM, <https://towardsdatascience.com/>)

2.8 Applications / Data Products

2.8.1 Technology Choice

The data products defined are the set of Jupyter notebooks, available on GitHub: https://github.com/bnassivet/IBM_Advanced_DataScience_Capstone

Execution of the notebooks also provide:

- the exported Keras/Tensorflow trained models,
- Feature dataset for further model evaluation.

2.8.2 Justification

The cycle is the first cycle on the Respiratory Disorder dataset. The goal of this first cycle was an experimentation for Proof of Concept on the capability to classify the diagnosis based on Supervised Learning method, using either ML or DL approaches. Jupyter notebooks are an efficient way to test, document and share the different steps of the processus, along with foundation of the still-to-be-improved pipelines.

2.9 Security, Information Governance and Systems Management

2.9.1 Technology Choice

This component is not needed in the first step.

2.9.2 Justification

In the first step, the dataset is static with data anonymized. Thus no Information security, governance or systems management is required.

These architecture building blocks will become critical at the time the system deployment will be addressed, due to the private nature of the data and processing outputs.