



Deep Learning for skin cancer detection

Binary classification using Convolutional Neural Network

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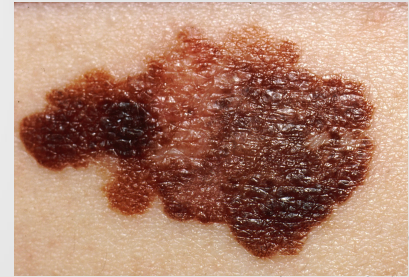
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Clinical Issue

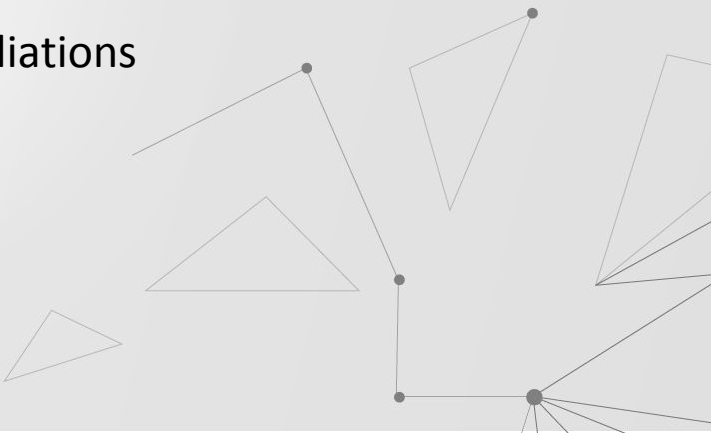
- Skin melanoma is one of the deadliest form of skin cancer
- It's caused by skin cells that begin to develop abnormally
- Melanoma usually detected as:
 - Appearance of a new mole
 - Change in an existing mole





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When it occurs

- Melanomas typically occur in the skin
 - But it can involve also organs
 - They're more common in:
 - People with pale skin and freckles
 - People heavily exposed to ultraviolet (UV) radiations
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Why it's dangerous

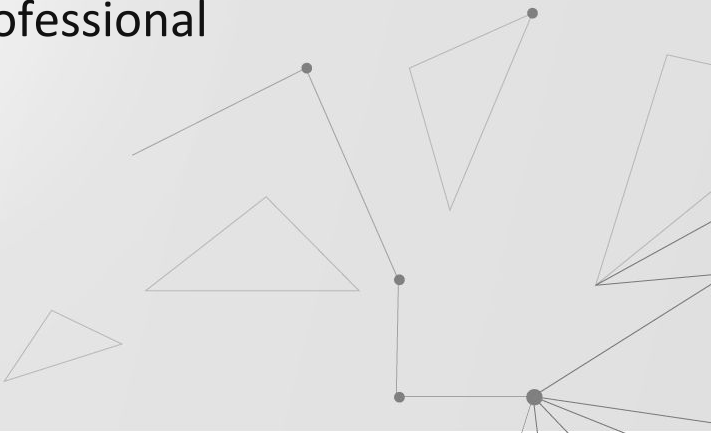
- It's a type of skin cancer that can spread to other organs in the body.
- The incidence of contracting a skin cancer is increasing annually
 - Higher increase than any other cancer
- Skin cancer are often diagnosed in people under 50
 - unusually early w.r.t. other types of cancer!

Source: *National Health Service (England)*: www.nhs.uk



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How to detect melanomas

- Skin exams
 - Self examination
 - Examination by a trained professional
 - Biopsy
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Prevention with auto-detection

The ABCDEs of Detecting Melanoma

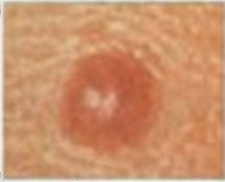



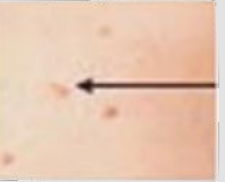




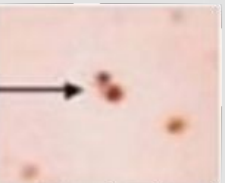
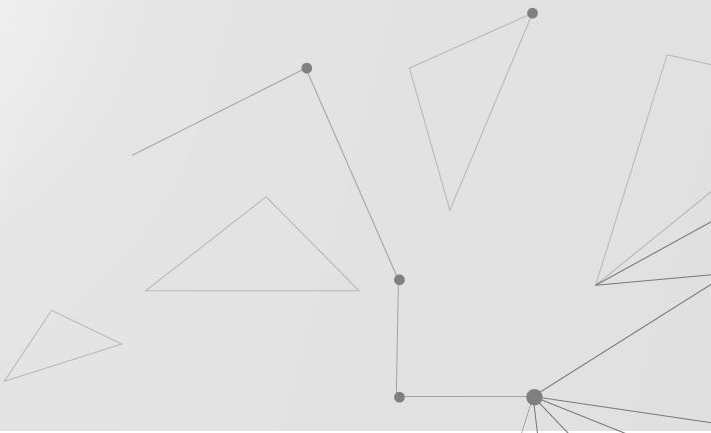
	A Asymmetry	B Border	C Color	D Diameter	E Evolving
<u>NORMAL</u>	 Symmetrical	 Borders Are Even	 One Color	 Smaller Than 1/4 Inch	 Ordinary Mole
<u>MELANOMA</u>	 Asymmetrical	 Borders Are Uneven	 Multiple Colors	 Larger Than 1/4 Inch	 Changing in Size, Shape and Color

Image courtesy: [higherperspective.com](https://www.higherperspective.com)



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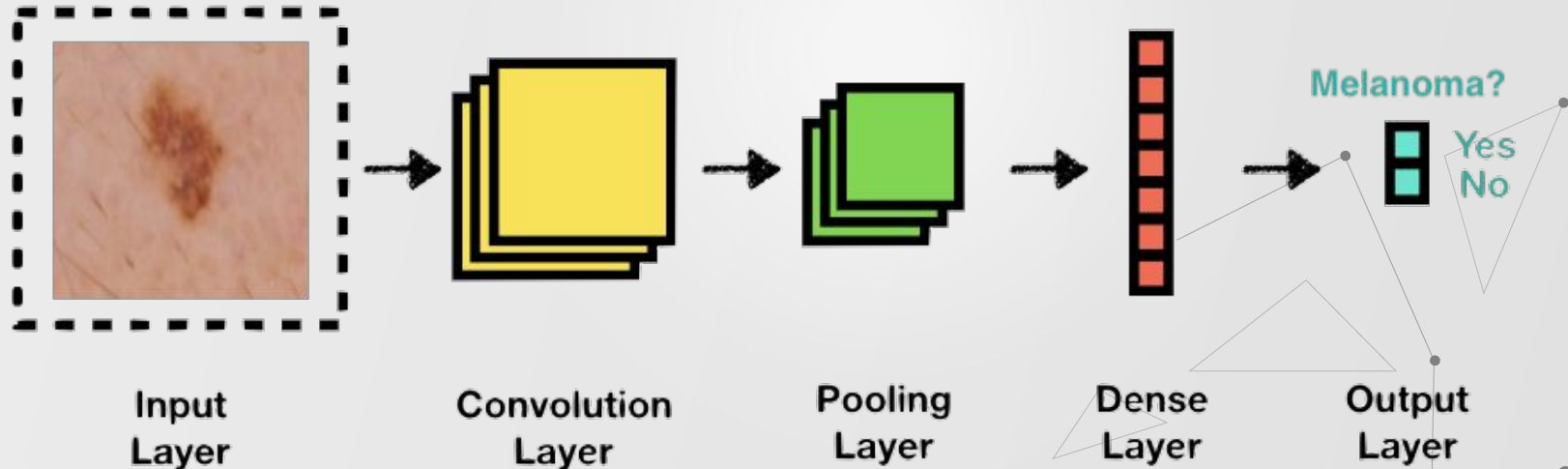
Deep Learning for Medical Image Analysis

- Deep Learning is the state of the art for Computer vision
 - It has a lot of potential in the medicine of the future
 - Huge contribution for disease detection
 - A lot of studies in favour of CNNs for Medical Image Analysis
 - a. Segmentation
 - b. Classification
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Task of the project

- Model a Convolutional Neural Network
 - Able to recognise from an image if a nevus is a melanoma
- The problem become a **binary classification task!**
- i.e. given an input image:





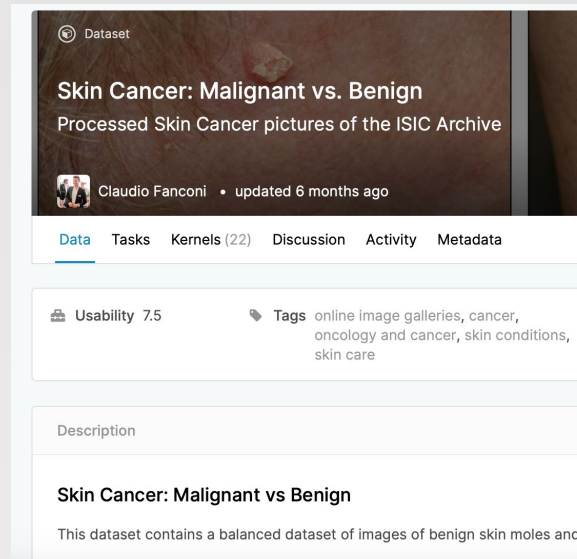
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DATASET

Dataset description

- We found a dataset of images on Kaggle:
- Processed Skin Cancer picture from **ISIC Archive**
 - 3297 .jpeg images
 - 224x224x3
 - 1800 benign moles images
 - 1497 malignant moles images

<https://www.kaggle.com/fanconic/skin-cancer-malignant-vs-benign>




The screenshot shows the Kaggle dataset page for 'Skin Cancer: Malignant vs. Benign'. The header includes the dataset title and subtitle 'Processed Skin Cancer pictures of the ISIC Archive'. Below this, the creator 'Claudio Fanconi' is listed with a profile picture and the text 'updated 6 months ago'. A navigation bar contains links for 'Data', 'Tasks', 'Kernels (22)', 'Discussion', 'Activity', and 'Metadata'. A 'Usability' section shows a score of 7.5. A 'Tags' section lists 'online image galleries, cancer, oncology and cancer, skin conditions, skin care'. The 'Description' section is partially visible, showing the title 'Skin Cancer: Malignant vs Benign' and the start of the description text: 'This dataset contains a balanced dataset of images of benign skin moles and'.


Dataset

Skin Cancer: Malignant vs. Benign
Processed Skin Cancer pictures of the ISIC Archive

Claudio Fanconi • updated 6 months ago

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 Usability 7.5

 **Tags** online image galleries, cancer, oncology and cancer, skin conditions, skin care

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DATASET

Kaggle Dataset

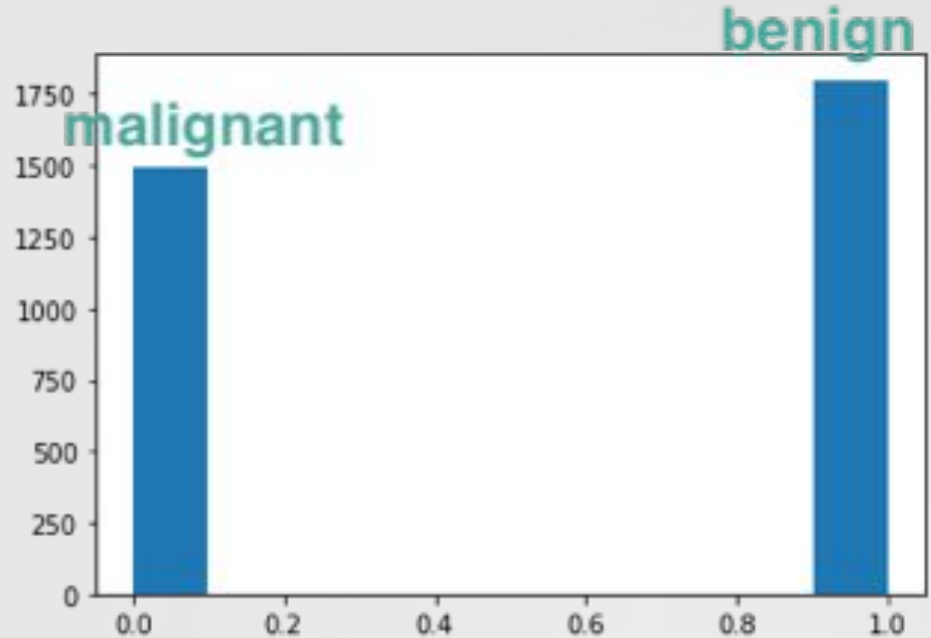
Total: 3297 images

Label **1**: Negative exam 1800 (54.60% of total)

Label **0**: Positive exam 1497 (45.40% of total)

The dataset is a little unbalanced:

We'll see that this unbalance is **crucial**
in clinical disease detection



DATASET

Train, Validation and Test

Dataset splitting

Test (495)

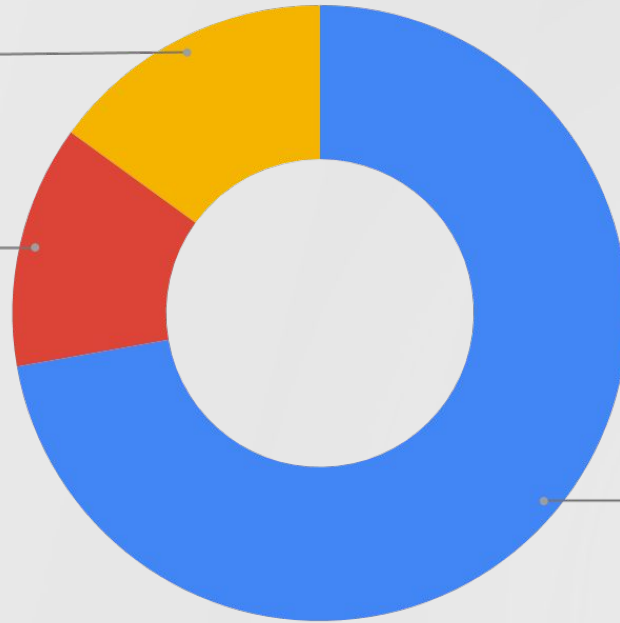
15,0%

Validation (421)

12,8%

(2381) Train

72,2%





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DATA AUGMENTATION

The necessity of data augmentation

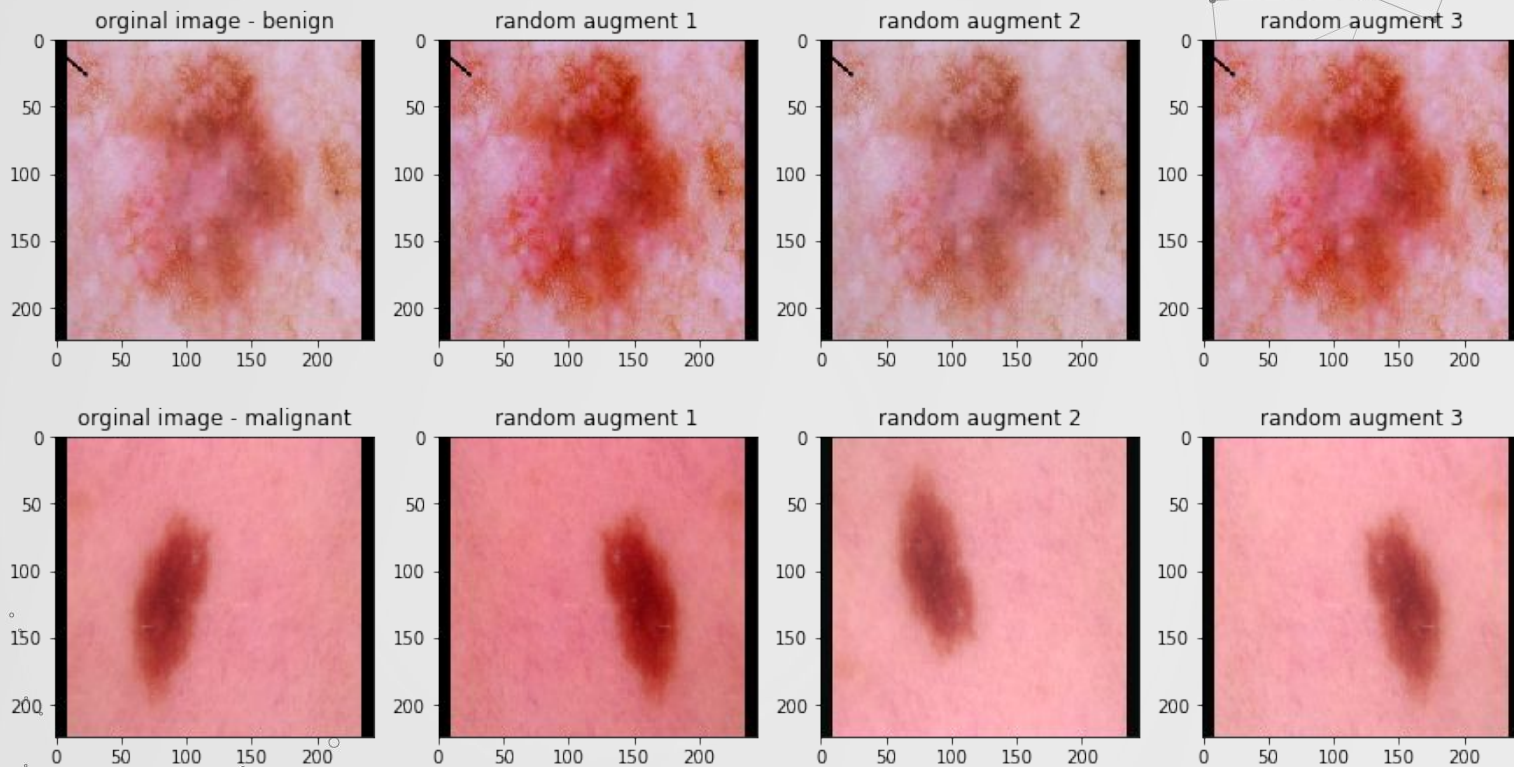
DATA AUGMENTATION

Useful tool for the training

- Data augmentation is a technique to *virtually* increase the training dataset
- While fitting the model the images of the training set are **randomly augmented**
 - Small random changes to the images:
 - Rotation
 - Vertical/horizontal flip
 - Color: saturation, brightness, contrast
- Data augmentation is also useful for overfitting:
 - It makes the network **more robust** to small changes

DATA AUGMENTATION

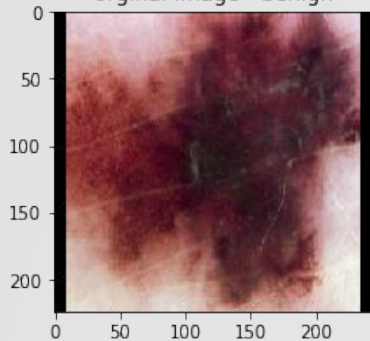
Examples



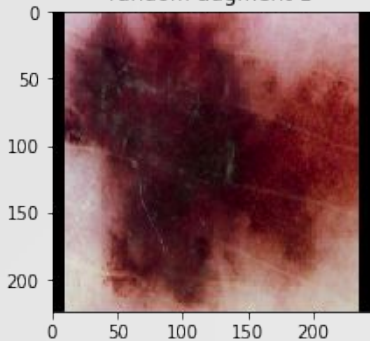
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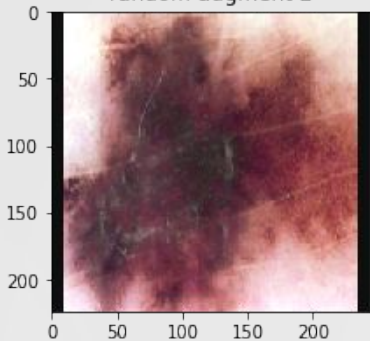
original image - benign



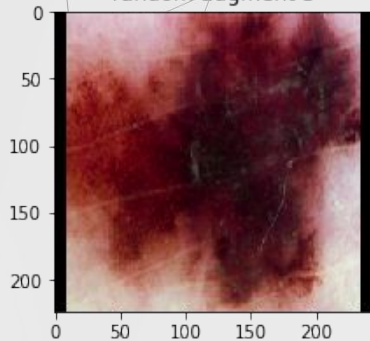
random augment 1



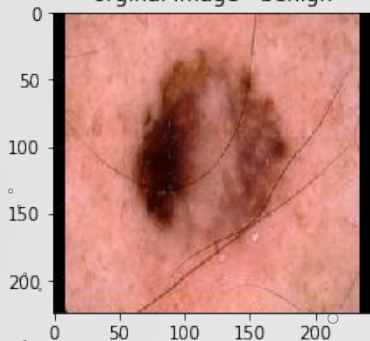
random augment 2



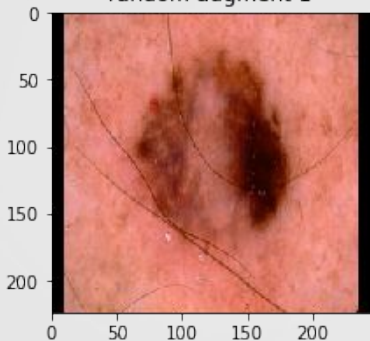
random augment 3



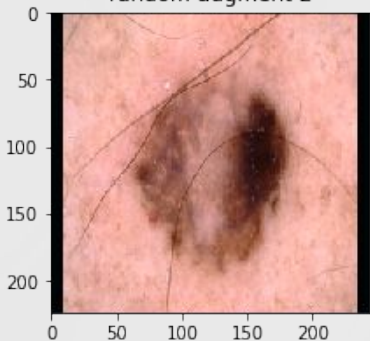
original image - benign



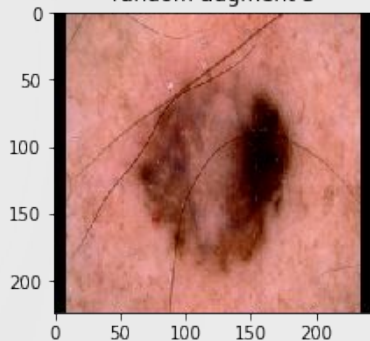
random augment 1



random augment 2



random augment 3

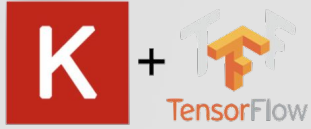


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CNN MODELLING

Elicitation and training of 2 different
Convolutional Neural Networks





CNN MODELLING

Environment

- We used **tensorflow** library and **Keras** API
- We worked on Google Colab free cloud service (GPU)
- Two different approaches
 1. Implementing from scratch a CNN
 2. Transfer Learning

Importing a pre-trained Neural Network



CNN MODELLING

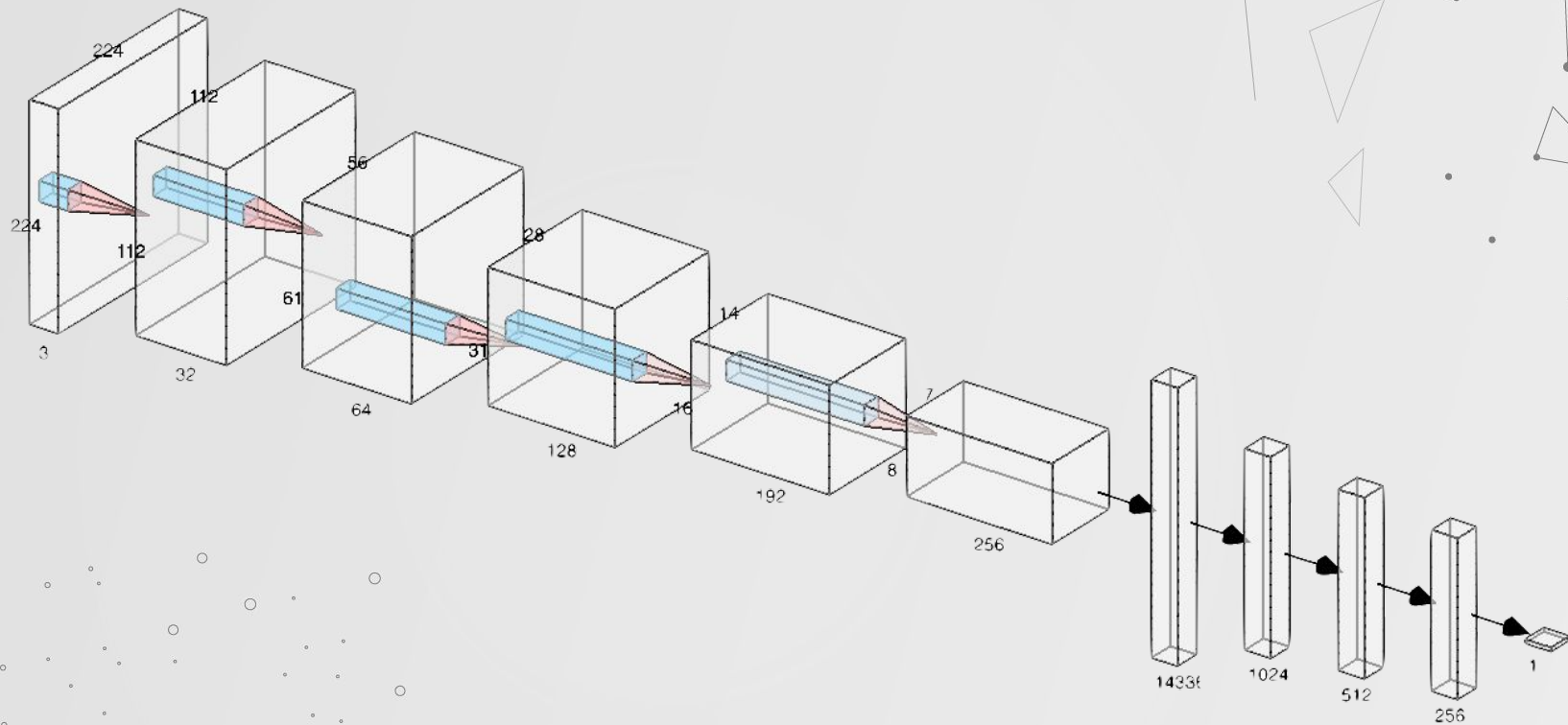
1. CNN from scratch

- **5 convolutional blocks**
 - 32, 64, 128, 192, 256 filters
 - Zero padding
 - 5x5 filters
 - Custom weights initialization and regularization
 - Batch normalization
 - Relu activation function
- **Fully connected layer**
 - Ending up with 1 sigmoid function
- **Binary cross-entropy as loss function**



CNN MODELLING

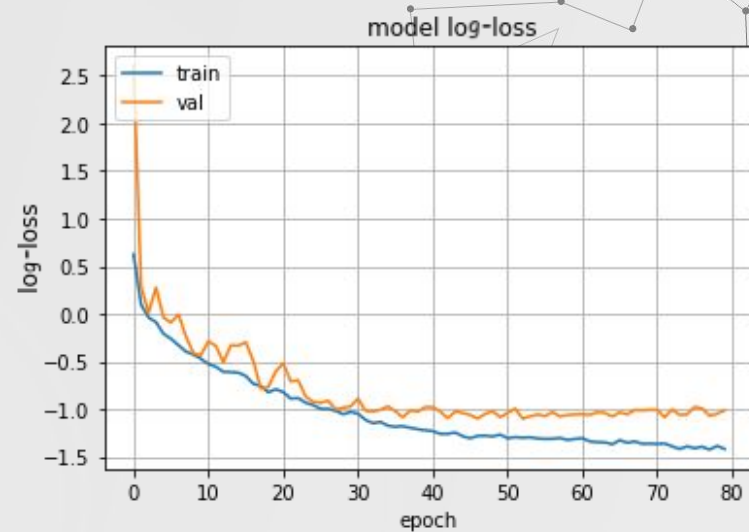
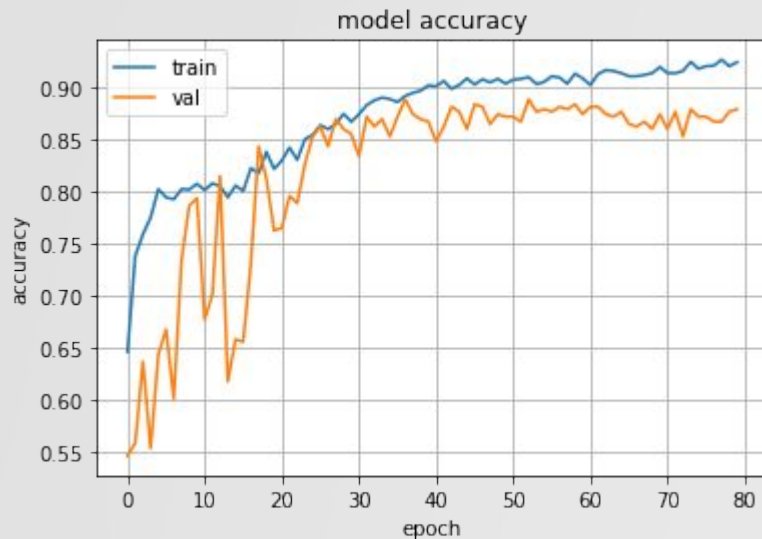
1. CNN from scratch Scheme



Done with NN-SVG tool by [Alex Lenail](#).

CNN MODELLING

1. CNN from scratch



	Train	Validation	Test
Accuracy	0.912	0.907	0.895
Loss	0.277	0.306	0.319

CNN MODELLING

1. CNN from scratch

Confusion Matrices

	Malignant	Benign
Malignant	941	140
Benign	70	1230

Train

	Malignant	Benign
Malignant	191	34
Benign	18	252

Test

	Malignant	Benign
Malignant	173	18
Benign	21	209

Validation

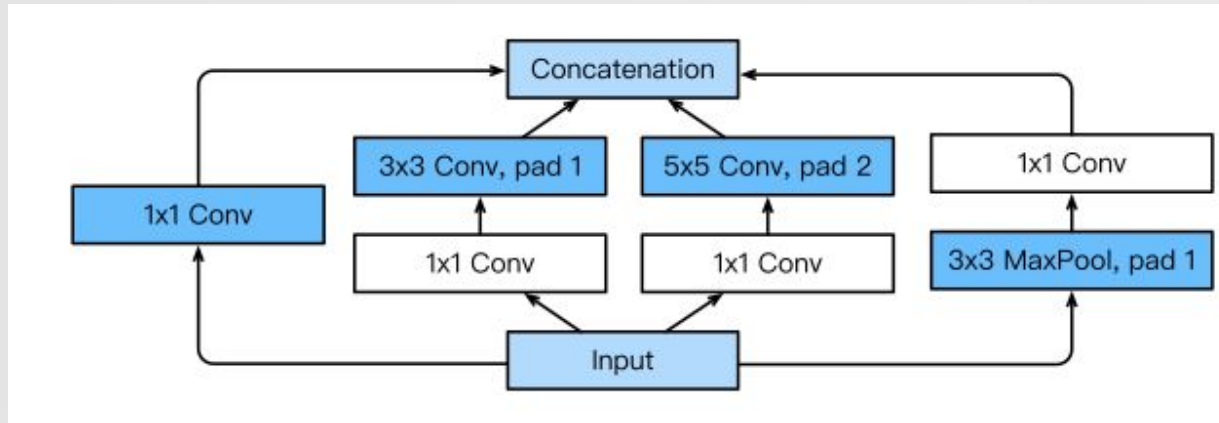
Columns: predictions
Rows: true Values

CNN MODELLING

2. InceptionV3

Transfer Learning

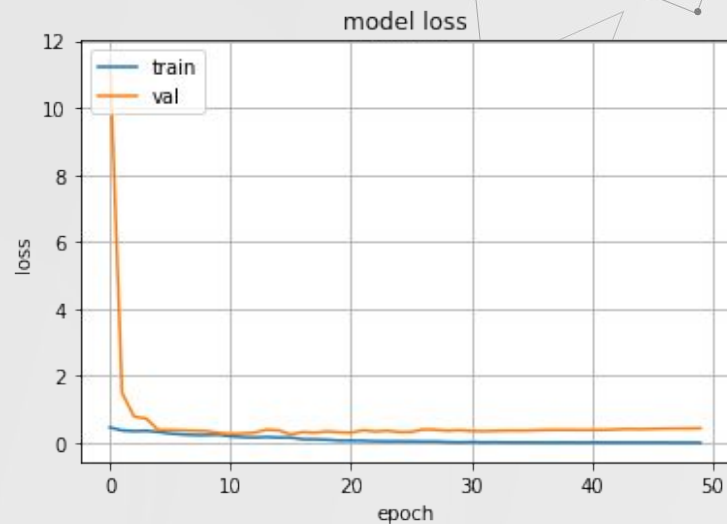
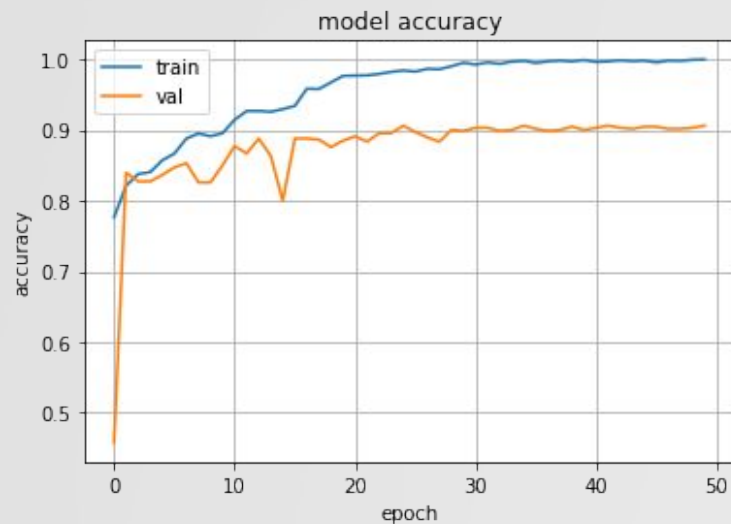
- We took a more complex network already pre-trained
 - **InceptionV3**
 - Weights pre-trained on “imagenet” dataset
- We had to change input and output of the InceptionV3 network
In order to match our task



Inception block, source: Dive into Deep Learning, Chapter 7.4.

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2. InceptionV3



	Train	Validation	Test
Accuracy	0.948	0.923	0.941
Loss	0.141	0.163	0.159

CNN MODELLING

2. InceptionV3 Confusion Matrices

	Malignant	Benign
Malignant	1018	63
Benign	60	1240

Train

	Malignant	Benign
Malignant	212	13
Benign	16	254

Test

	Malignant	Benign
Malignant	175	16
Benign	17	213

Validation

Columns: predictions
Rows: true Values

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RESULTS

Comparing the two different models



RESULTS

Model comparisons

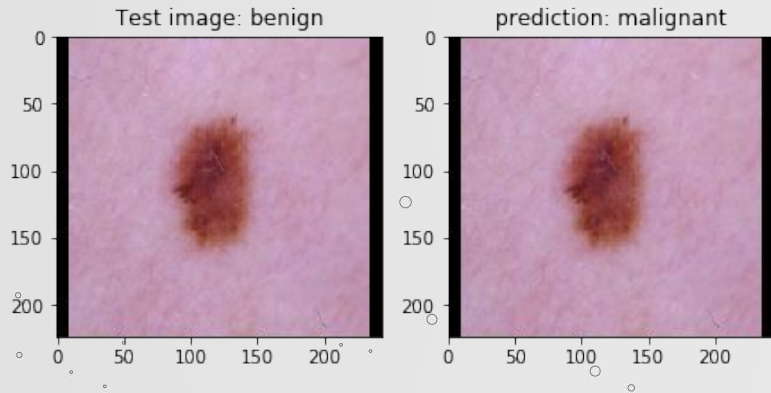
- The first model reached a good accuracy
 - Even if it fluctuates too much
- The second model is more stable
 - We clearly see when the model starts overfitting
 - around 16th epoch
- In both training and testing phases, the second model performs better:
 - In term of accuracy
 - In term of loss

RESULTS

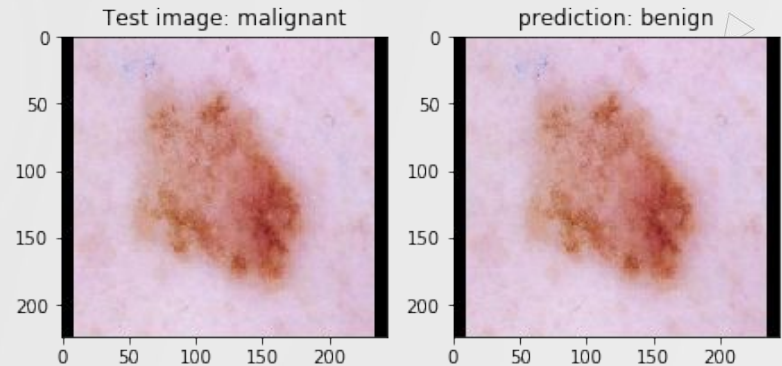
Big issue in clinical diagnosis

Big issue in clinical diagnosis: False Negative

- **The worst mistake:**
 - An exam with negative result (“healthy”) on a positive patient (with melanoma)
 - Predicting as “benign” a melanoma is much worse than predicting as malignant a benign nevus!!!



False positive: still acceptable



False negative: not acceptable

RESULTS

Big issue in clinical diagnosis

Big issue in clinical diagnosis: False Negative

- The first CNN seems to fail ($\# \text{ False Negative} > \# \text{ False Positive}$)
- The second one has more False Positive than False Negative

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Confusion matrix (Test set)
First model

	Malignant	Benign
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Benign	16	254

Confusion matrix (Test set)
Second model



06

Possible improvements

Suggestion on further developments

IMPROVEMENTS

We can surely improve the network

- More data (3000 images are not enough)
- Try different architectures
- Handling False Negative issue
 - pre data augmentation only on melanoma images
- Trying other “paths”
 - i.e. segmented-based classification

IMPROVEMENTS

Beyond binary classification

- Skin melanoma is not the only form of skin cancer:
 - There are different types of pigmented lesions:
(Actinic keratoses and intraepithelial carcinoma,
basal cell carcinoma, benign keratosis-like lesions...)
- We can extend the problem to a **multiclass classification**
 - HAM10000 dataset



THANKS

Does anyone have any questions?

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Project available on Github repository:

https://github.com/cerniello/DeepLearning_SkinCancer

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Extra

Layer (type)	Output Shape	Param #
input_1 (InputLayer)	[(None, 224, 244, 3)]	0
conv2d (Conv2D)	(None, 112, 122, 32)	2432
batch_normalization (Batch Normalization)	(None, 112, 122, 32)	128
activation (Activation)	(None, 112, 122, 32)	0
conv2d_1 (Conv2D)	(None, 56, 61, 64)	51264
batch_normalization_1 (Batch Normalization)	(None, 56, 61, 64)	256
activation_1 (Activation)	(None, 56, 61, 64)	0
conv2d_2 (Conv2D)	(None, 28, 31, 128)	204928
batch_normalization_2 (Batch Normalization)	(None, 28, 31, 128)	512
activation_2 (Activation)	(None, 28, 31, 128)	0
conv2d_3 (Conv2D)	(None, 14, 16, 192)	614592
batch_normalization_3 (Batch Normalization)	(None, 14, 16, 192)	768
activation_3 (Activation)	(None, 14, 16, 192)	0
conv2d_4 (Conv2D)	(None, 7, 8, 256)	1229056
batch_normalization_4 (Batch Normalization)	(None, 7, 8, 256)	1024
activation_4 (Activation)	(None, 7, 8, 256)	0
flatten (Flatten)	(None, 14336)	0
dense (Dense)	(None, 1028)	14738436
dense_1 (Dense)	(None, 516)	530964
dropout (Dropout)	(None, 516)	0
dense_2 (Dense)	(None, 256)	132352
dropout_1 (Dropout)	(None, 256)	0
dense_3 (Dense)	(None, 1)	257

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Total params: 17,506,969
Trainable params: 17,505,625
Non-trainable params: 1,344



Extra

Layer (type)	Output Shape	Param #
=====	=====	=====
inception_v3 (Model)	(None, 2048)	21802784
flatten_1 (Flatten)	(None, 2048)	0
dense_4 (Dense)	(None, 100)	204900
dropout_2 (Dropout)	(None, 100)	0
dense_5 (Dense)	(None, 1)	101
=====	=====	=====
Total params: 22,007,785		
Trainable params: 21,973,353		
Non-trainable params: 34,432		