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Multiple-Instance Learning on Pathology Slides

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Background

- **Computer Vision:**

- Image classification
- Segmentation

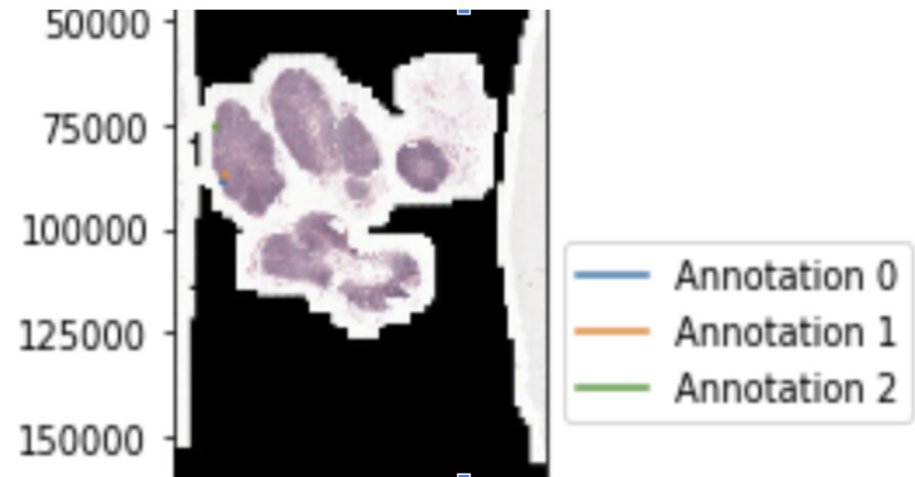


Figure 1: a slide from patient_004_node_004 (Camelyon17)

- **Problem for Pathology slides:**

- Time-consuming and Labor-intensive (Obtaining labels)
- Too large (200k x 100k pixels resolution)
- Cannot downsample

Multiple-Instance Learning

- **Weakly supervised learning method:**

- Takes a set of labeled bags containing many instances instead of receiving a set of labeled instances.
- Slides = “bag” & Tiles = “instances”

- **Problem Statement:**

- Each instance x_i in one bag has a label y_i . We define the label of the bag as:

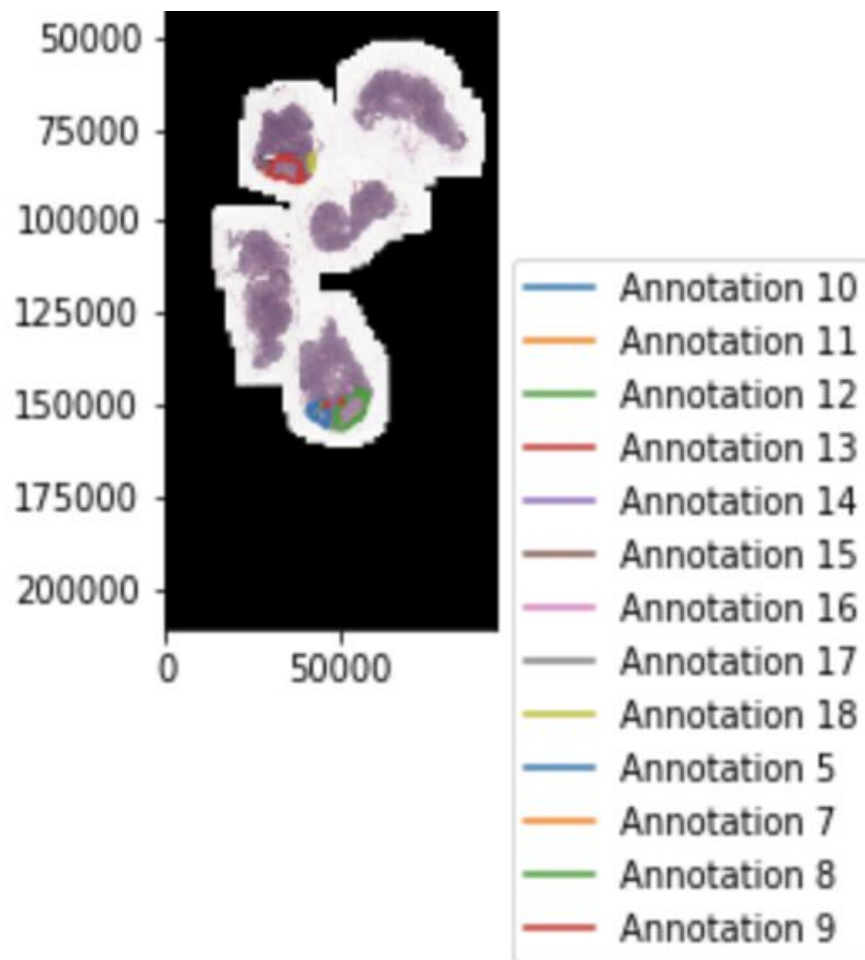
$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} Y = 1, \text{ if there exists a } y_i \text{ such that } y_i == 1 \\ Y = 0, \text{ if for every } y_i \text{ such that } y_i == 0 \end{array} \right.$$

Benefits for Pathology Slides

- **Save the labeling effort**
- **Leverage weakly labeled data**
- **Real life Cases:**
 - Camelyon17 Challenge
 - PANDA Challenge (Prostate Cancer)

Camelyon17

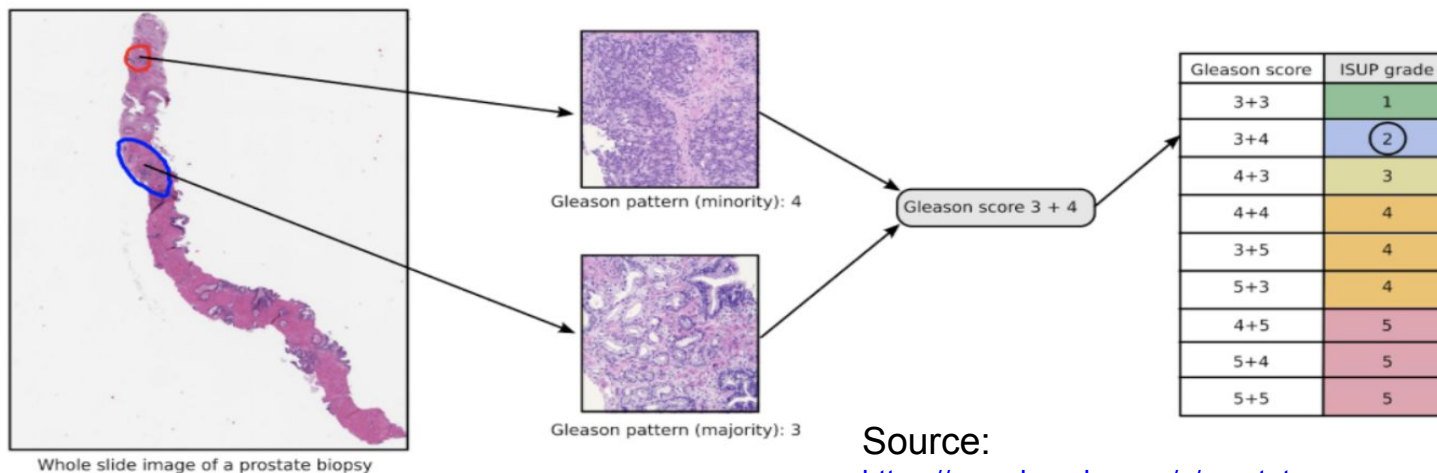
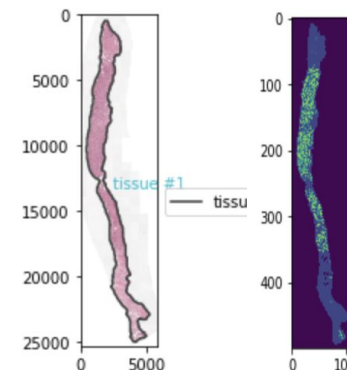
- Breast Cancer
- 1000 slides (.tiff file) from 5 medical centers
- Annotation in coordinates
- Each slide: 200k x 100k pixels
- Goal:
 - Predict “metastases” or “normal” on slide-level
 - Predict “metastases” or “normal” on patient-level



Source: <https://camelyon17.grand-challenge.org/Data/>

PANDA Challenge

- Prostate Cancer
- 11,000 slides (.tiff files) from 2 sources
- Masks are in red channel
- Goal:
 - Detect PCa on slides
 - Estimate severity based on Gleason Score



Source:

<https://www.kaggle.com/c/prostate-cancer-grade-assessment>

Pipeline for Real-life Examples

1. Data Preparation
 - a. pre-train and train data sets
 - b. Read in .tiff files, divide into tiles, and give labels to each tile
2. Pre-train and Extract features from the model
3. Multiple-Instance Learning Training
4. Evaluation

Apply MIL on MNIST (toy example)

• MNIST

- Images of handwritten digits
- Each image has one label: 0 - 9
- Training set: 60,000 images
- Test set: 10,000 images
- The size of each one: 28 x 28 and greyscale.

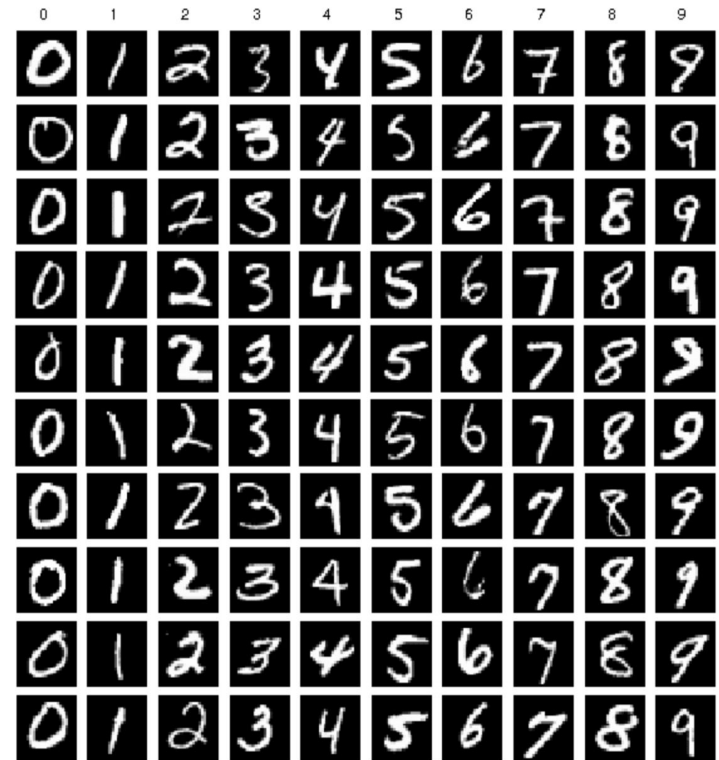


Figure 2: MNIST sample

Create MIL-MNIST Toy Dataset

- Randomly assign
- Label each bag

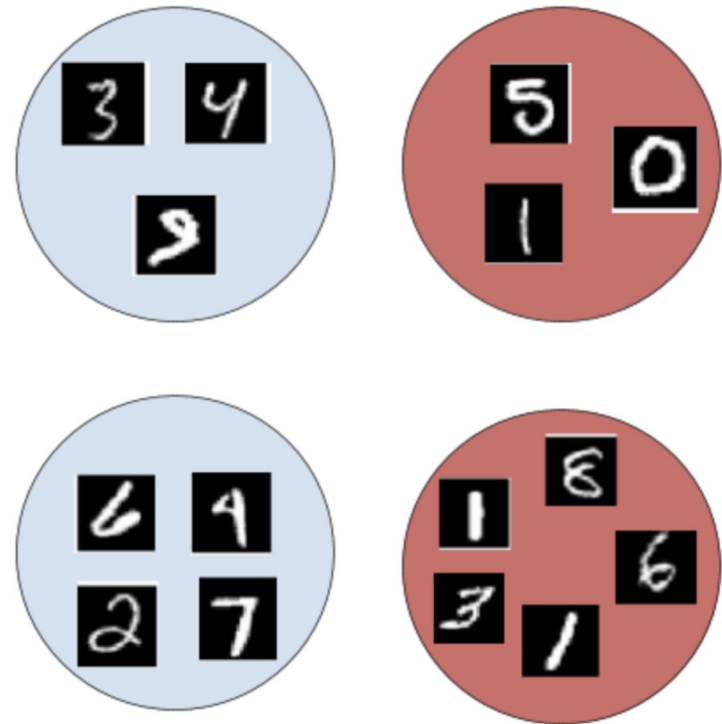


Figure 3: bags and instance labels

Load Pre-trained Model and Extract Features

- Train, Validation, and Test set
- Get features
- Get bag_indices and bag_labels
- Map bag_indices with features based on indices and create bag_features

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In [3]: bag_labels
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20: 0,  
21: 1,  
22: 0,  
23: 0,  
24: 0,  
25: 0,  
26: 0,  
27: 0,  
28: 0,  
29: 1,  
30: 1,  
31: 0,  
32: 0,  
33: 0,  
34: 0,  
35: 0,  
36: 0,  
37: 0,  
38: 0,  
39: 1,
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Figure 8: Bag labels

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bag_features
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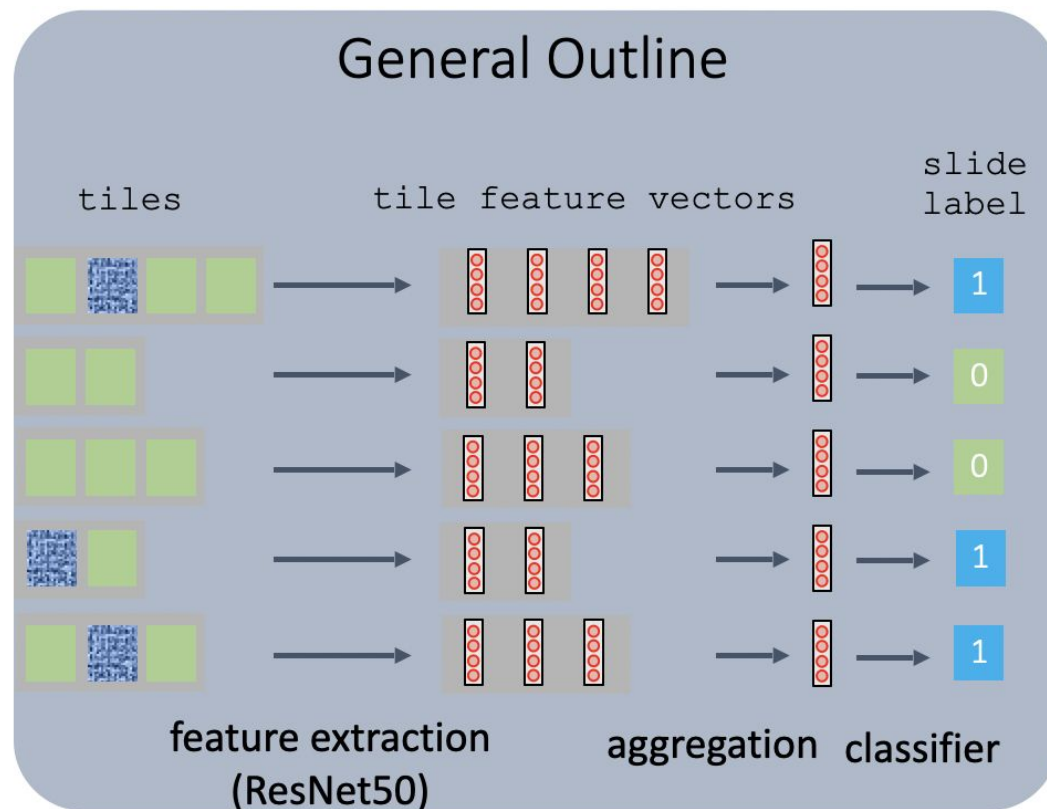
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           [0.5290, 0.3157, 0.1880, ..., 1.3845, 0.5255, 0.3733],  
           [2.6427, 2.7573, 1.9772, ..., 0.5917, 1.5198, 0.4205],  
           [0.0134, 0.4065, 0.1218, ..., 0.2199, 1.5865, 0.3069],  
           [0.5919, 0.3503, 0.6909, ..., 0.4687, 1.2624, 1.7074],  
           [1.4609, 0.5153, 0.1605, ..., 3.4652, 0.1596, 0.8966]]),  
 1: tensor([[0.2407, 0.6562, 0.3205, ..., 0.8949, 0.9490, 0.2203],  
           [0.7115, 0.5311, 0.7680, ..., 0.3019, 1.1069, 0.6414],  
           [1.1038, 0.6442, 0.4355, ..., 0.9178, 0.9203, 1.8024]]),  
 2: tensor([[1.0940, 0.7049, 0.6339, ..., 0.7318, 0.6782, 1.7360],  
           [0.6643, 0.1893, 0.2289, ..., 1.3208, 0.4425, 0.3472],  
           [0.7067, 0.7883, 0.8067, ..., 0.3631, 1.7904, 0.8728],  
           [1.1582, 0.3803, 1.4553, ..., 0.4512, 0.6953, 0.5158],  
           [0.4869, 2.0187, 1.0852, ..., 0.3816, 2.2702, 0.4295]]),  
 3: tensor([[0.3667, 1.7191, 1.0315, ..., 0.2895, 2.4552, 0.4528],  
           [0.3842, 0.3297, 0.2109, ..., 1.0751, 0.5737, 0.1876],  
           [0.2944, 0.4941, 0.3620, ..., 0.7671, 0.7414, 0.2789],  
           [1.2377, 0.7826, 1.1460, ..., 0.3101, 1.2399, 1.3144],  
           [0.0421, 0.4441, 0.0367, ..., 0.3120, 2.2978, 1.4556]]),
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Figure 9: Bag features

Train the Model for MIL

Model for Multiple Instance Learning:

1. Transforms instances to an embedding of low-dimensionality. (fixed)
2. Passes the embedding through a permutation-invariant aggregation function. (optimizable)
3. Transforms into the bag probability. (optimizable)



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Result: ~ 0.99 accuracy

Blog post for MIL on MNIST with end-to-end jupyter notebook:

<https://medium.com/swlh/multiple-instance-learning-c49bd21f5620>

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