MEDICRAFT

MEDICAL SYNTHETIC DATASET GENERATOR

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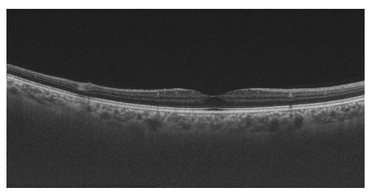
INTRODUCTION

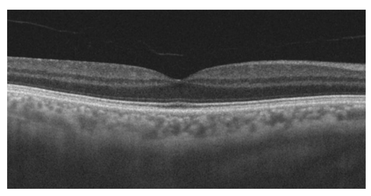
The medical imaging analysis using machine learning encounters challenges such as limited and imbalanced datasets, often constrained by privacy concerns related to patient information. This innovative project addresses these limitations by developing software capable of generating synthetic and diverse medical datasets from imaging information. Notably, this tool utilizes OCT eye scans, featuring images with abnormalities like tumors and melanomas. By mitigating the scarcity of real-world data, the solution facilitates improved research and education in machine learning for medical image analysis and classification.

LEARNING DATA

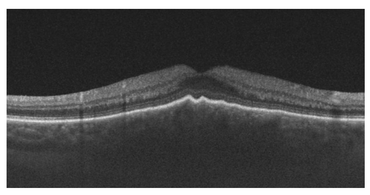
The dataset was collected in cooperation with University Clinical Hospital in Poznan . It consists of OCT scans of the eye fundus taken in 12 planes every 30° for one examination. The collection has been annotated and divided according to the medical condition diagnosed, including i.a.: healthy reference eyes, with benign precancerous lesions, with serious lesions in the form of melanomas.



healthy reference eye fundus



benign precancerous lesions



foveolar scan at the margin of choroidal melanoma

OBJECTIVE

The goal is to support research and education in machine learning for medical image analysis and classification for the diagnosis of diseases e.g tumours.

Creation of an end-to-end Python library multiplying the dataset .

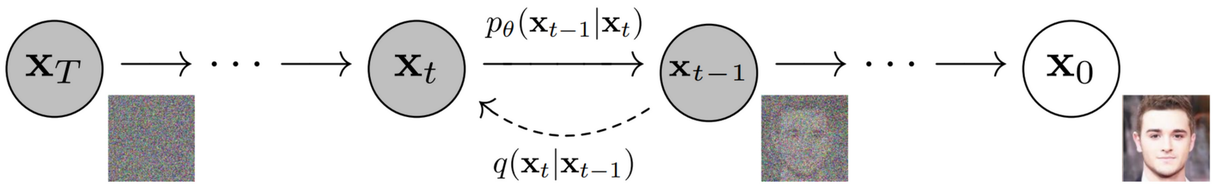
METHODOLOGY

Manually collected OCT eye scans from University Clinical Hospital in Poznan are used in data-driven learning using convolutional neural networks.

Instead of GANs, a state-of-the-art diffusion model solution is used to generate synthetic datasets.

DIFFUSION MODEL

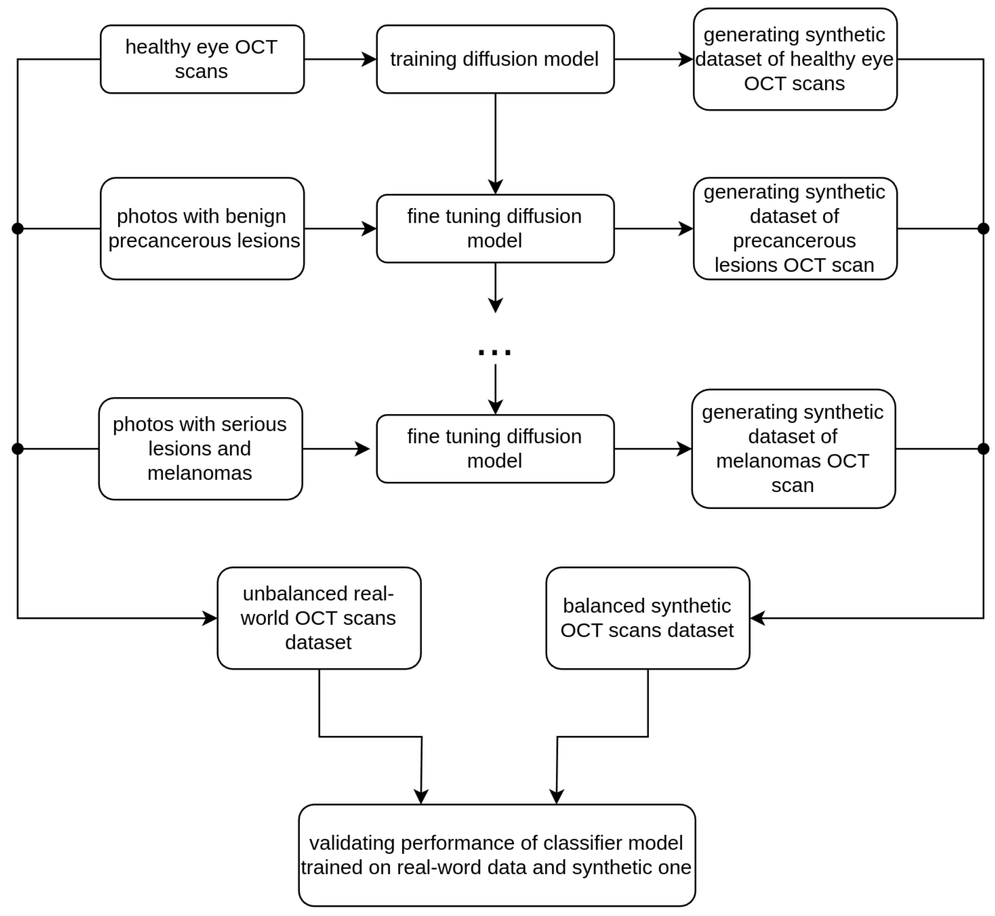
The Denoising Diffusion Probabilistic Model (DDPM) is a powerful probabilistic generative model inspired by nonequilibrium thermodynamics, achieving high-quality image synthesis through a diffusion process. With a novel weighted variational bound and progressive lossy decompression, DDPM demonstrates state-of-the-art performance and effectively models complex data distributions, providing a diverse solution for tasks demanding noise reduction and high-quality data synthesis across diverse domains.



ARCHITECTURE

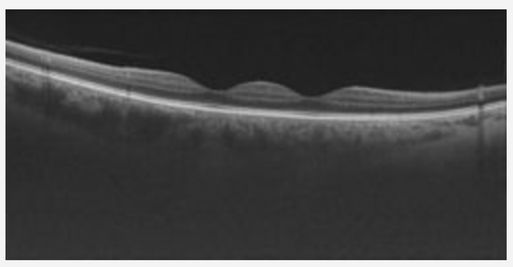
The solution utilizes a sophisticated architecture for interpreting input and generate data collaboratively with a medical team, refining the learning process iteratively, making the model to generate different disease changes on images.

The evaluation of the quality of the generator will include the use of the classifier model, the comparison of its indicators on both real and synthetic data to assess performance and the quality of the dataset.

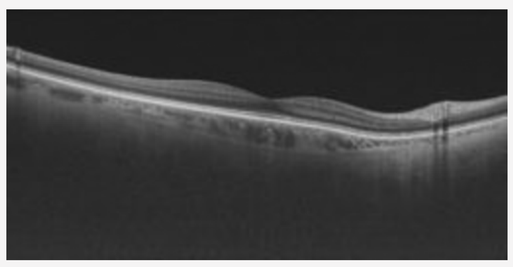


ANOMALIES IN IMAGE GENERATION

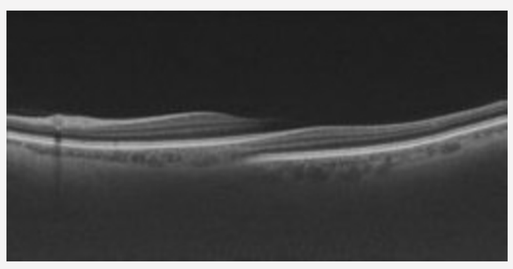
The following errors and failures were observed in the evaluation process. After the first iteration of the model, the medical team found 66% anatomical correctness of the generated images.



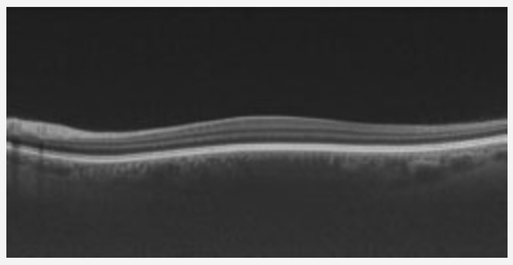
artificially doubled fovea



absence of optic nerve



totally corrupted image



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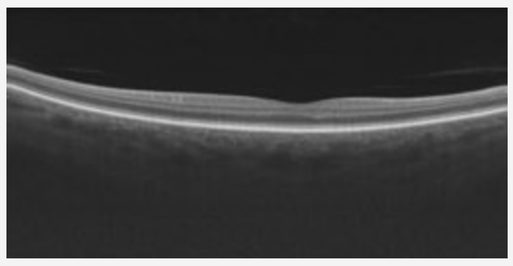
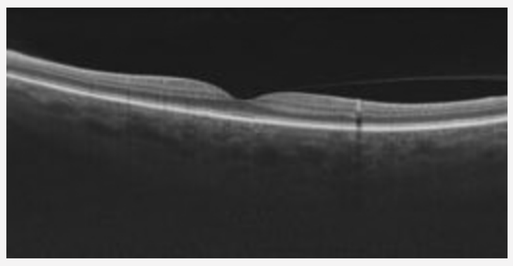


hypoplastic fovea



superficial retinal vessels – abnormal diameter of the vessel in the parafoveolar region

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