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# Barin-Tumor Segmentation

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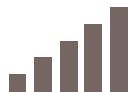
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PART 01

# nnU-Net Introduction

# nnU-Net



## Detailed Configuration

Detailed configuration is more important than architectural design. nnU-Net uses a simple U-Net architecture, but transcends more complex parameters through good configuration.

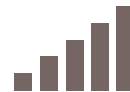


## Adaptable Configuration

Twenty-three publicly available biomedical image datasets were used in the development and evaluation of nnU-Net.

## nnU-Net

a self-configuring  
method for deep  
learning-based  
biomedical image  
segmentation



## Automated Configuration

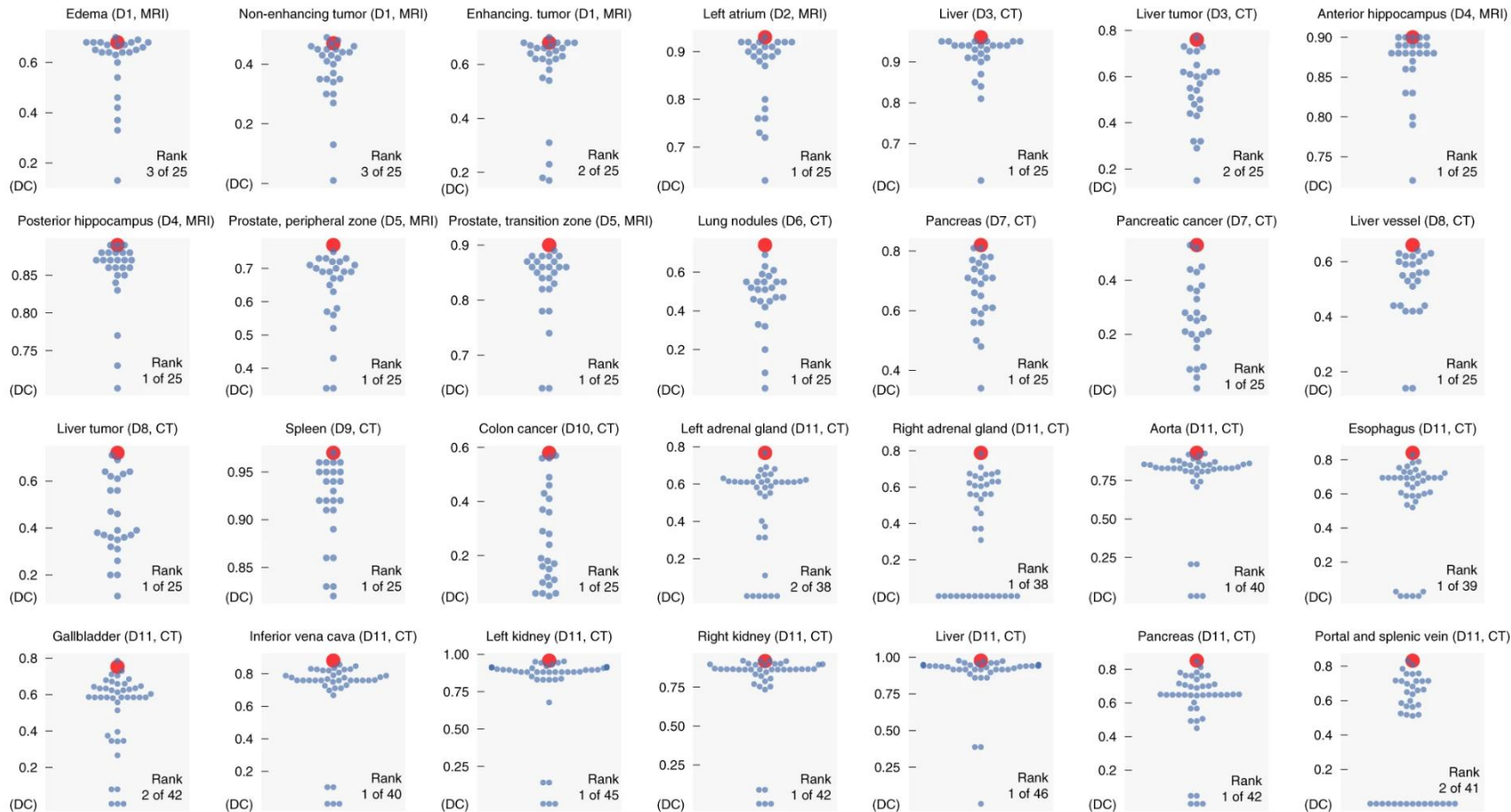
Systemize the complex manual method configuration process into fixed parameters, rule-based parameters and empirical parameters.



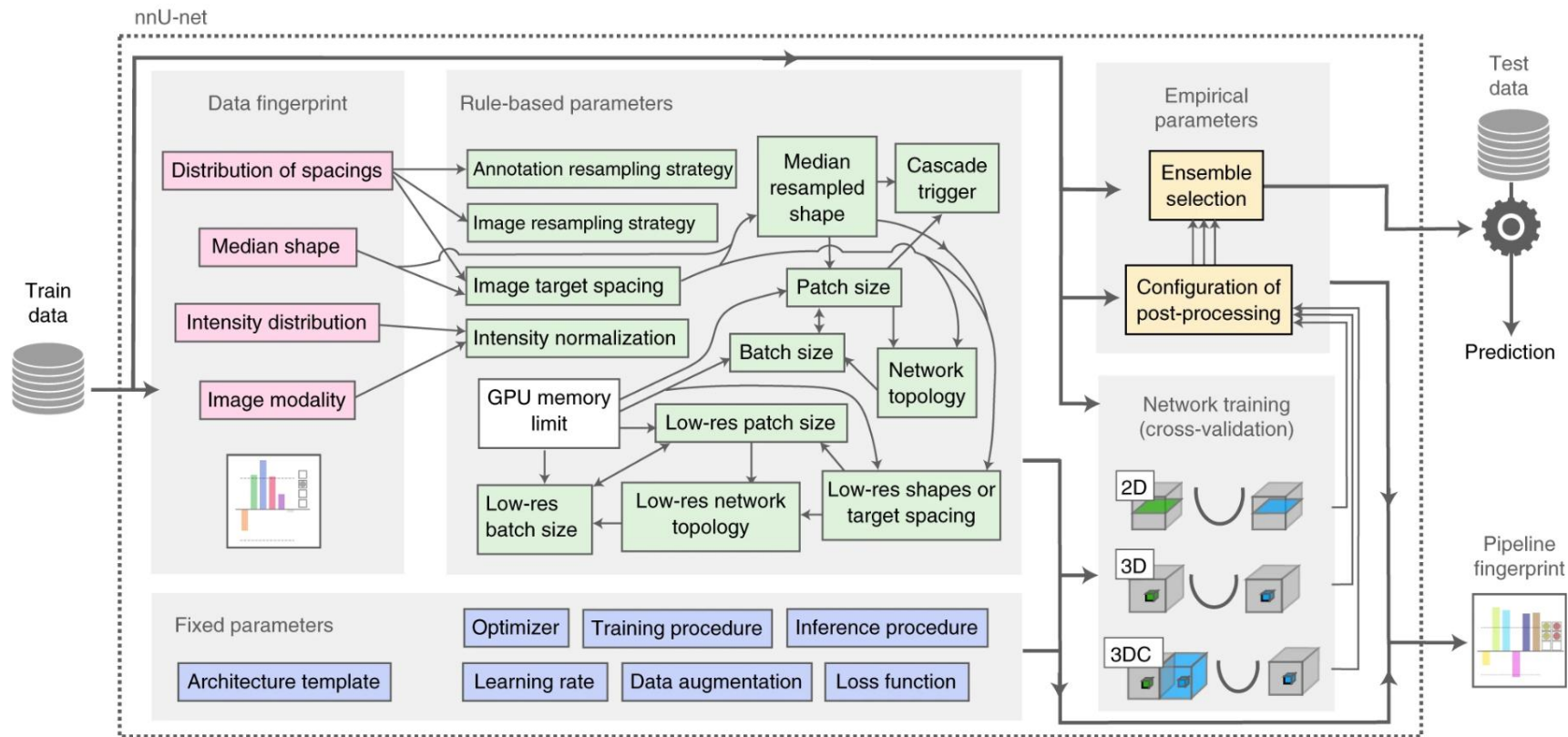
## Easy Configuration

As an open source tool, nnU-Net can be used immediately by people who are not familiar with deep learning.

# nnU-Net



# nnU-Net: a self-configuring method for deep learning-based biomedical image segmentation



# nnU-Net: a self-configuring method for deep learning-based biomedical image segmentation

Design choice	Required input	Automated (fixed, rule-based or empirical) configuration derived by distilling expert knowledge (more details in online methods)
Learning rate	–	Poly learning rate schedule (initial, 0.01)
Loss function	–	Dice and cross-entropy
Architecture template	–	Encoder–decoder with skip-connection ('U-Net-like') and instance normalization, leaky ReLU, deep supervision (topology-adapted in inferred parameters)
Optimizer	–	SGD with Nesterov momentum ( $\mu = 0.99$ )
Data augmentation	–	Rotations, scaling, Gaussian noise, Gaussian blur, brightness, contrast, simulation of low resolution, gamma correction and mirroring
Training procedure	–	1,000 epochs $\times$ 250 minibatches, foreground oversampling
Inference procedure	–	Sliding window with half-patch size overlap, Gaussian patch center weighting
Intensity normalization	Modality, intensity distribution	If CT, global dataset percentile clipping & z score with global foreground mean and s.d. Otherwise, z score with per image mean and s.d.
Image resampling strategy	Distribution of spacings	If anisotropic, in-plane with third-order spline, out-of-plane with nearest neighbor Otherwise, third-order spline
Annotation resampling strategy	Distribution of spacings	Convert to one-hot encoding $\rightarrow$ If anisotropic, in-plane with linear interpolation, out-of-plane with nearest neighbor Otherwise, linear interpolation

Image target spacing	Distribution of spacings	If anisotropic, lowest resolution axis tenth percentile, other axes median. Otherwise, median spacing for each axis. (computed based on spacings found in training cases)
Network topology, patch size, batch size	Median resampled shape, target spacing, GPU memory limit	Initialize the patch size to median image shape and iteratively reduce it while adapting the network topology accordingly until the network can be trained with a batch size of at least 2 given GPU memory constraints. for details see online methods.
Trigger of 3D U-Net cascade	Median resampled image size, patch size	Yes, if patch size of the 3D full resolution U-Net covers less than 12.5% of the median resampled image shape
Configuration of low-resolution 3D U-Net	Low-res target spacing or image shapes, GPU memory limit	Iteratively increase target spacing while reconfiguring patch size, network topology and batch size (as described above) until the configured patch size covers 25% of the median image shape. For details, see online methods.
Configuration of post-processing	Full set of training data and annotations	Treating all foreground classes as one; does all-but-largest-component-suppression increase cross-validation performance?  Yes, apply; reiterate for individual classes No, do not apply; reiterate for individual foreground classes
Ensemble selection	Full set of training data and annotations	From 2D U-Net, 3D U-Net or 3D cascade, choose the best model (or combination of two) according to cross-validation performance

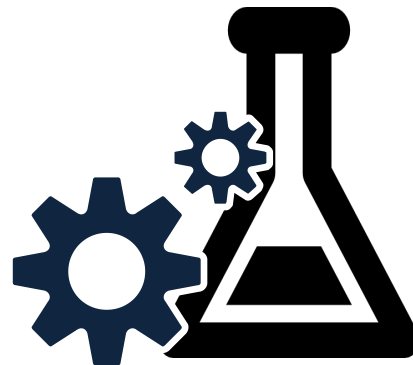
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PART 02

# nnU-Netv2 Implementation



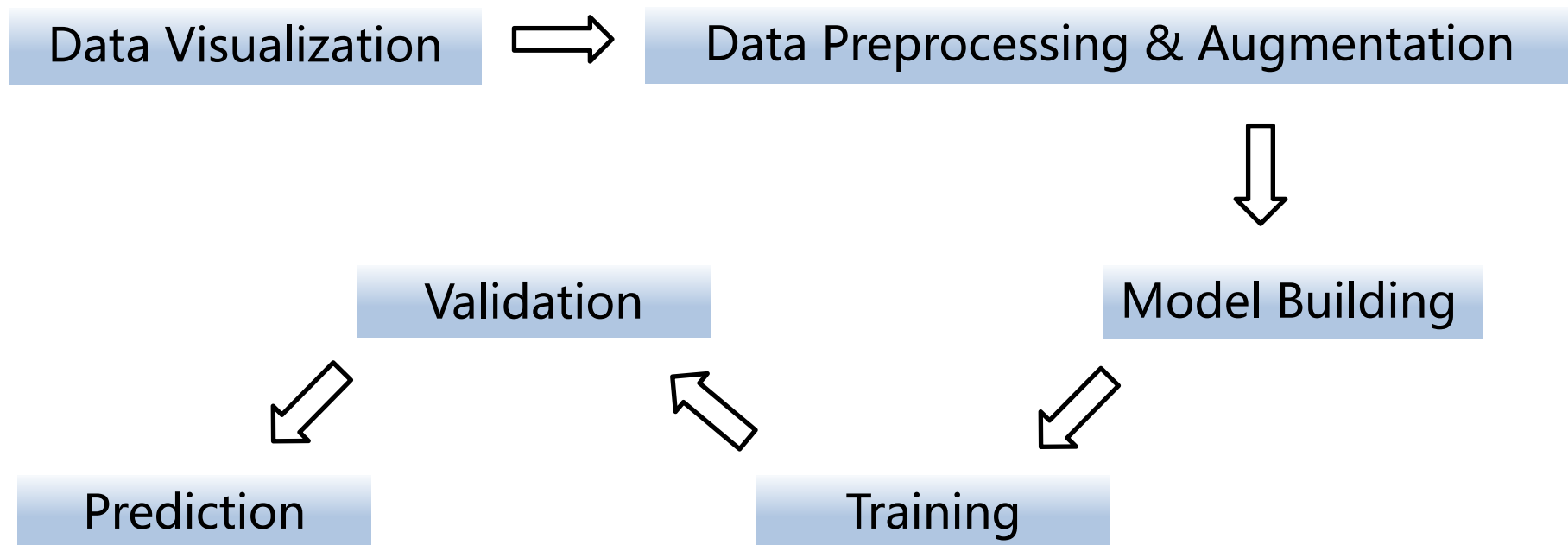
Medical image segmentation plays a crucial role in clinical diagnosis and treatment planning. **Deep learning-based segmentation** models, particularly the 3D **U-Net** architecture, have demonstrated remarkable performance in accurately delineating anatomical structures from MRI scans. This work presents a segmentation pipeline built upon **nnUNetv2**, incorporating advanced preprocessing, data augmentation, and a customized training framework to enhance model robustness and accuracy.





# Brain-Tumor Segmentation Process

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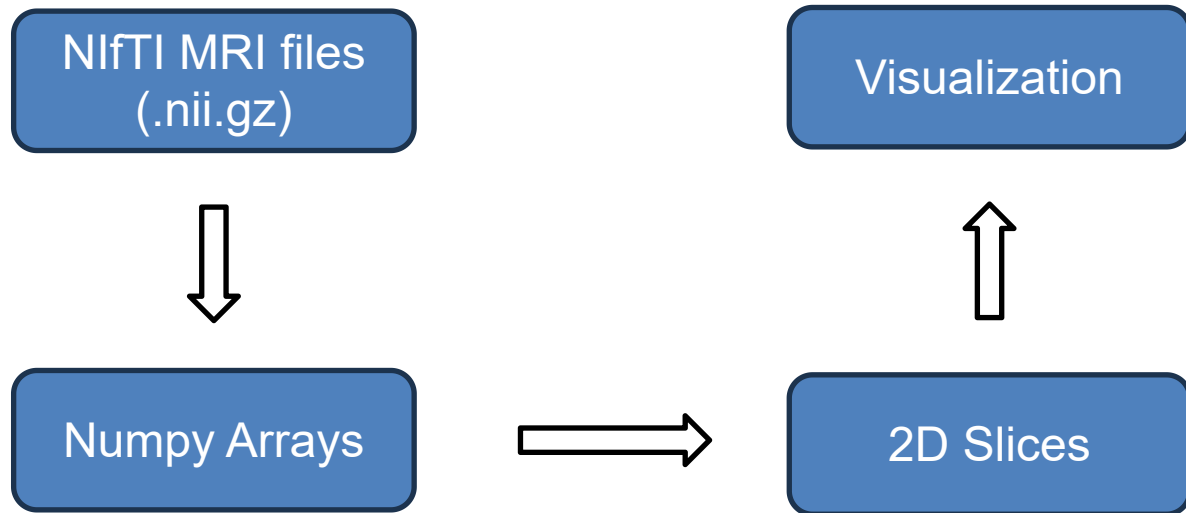
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PART 03

# **MRI Volume Visualization**

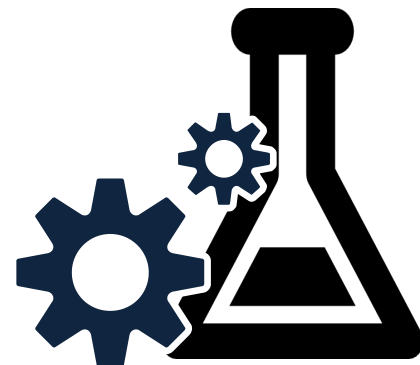
# Data Visualization

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[Z, Y, X]

Z: number of axial slices  
in the MRI scan



```
num_total_slices = image_array.shape[0]
# Get `num_slices` slices evenly distributed
slice_indices = np.linspace(0, num_total_slices - 1, num_slices, dtype=int)
```

# Prase the Data



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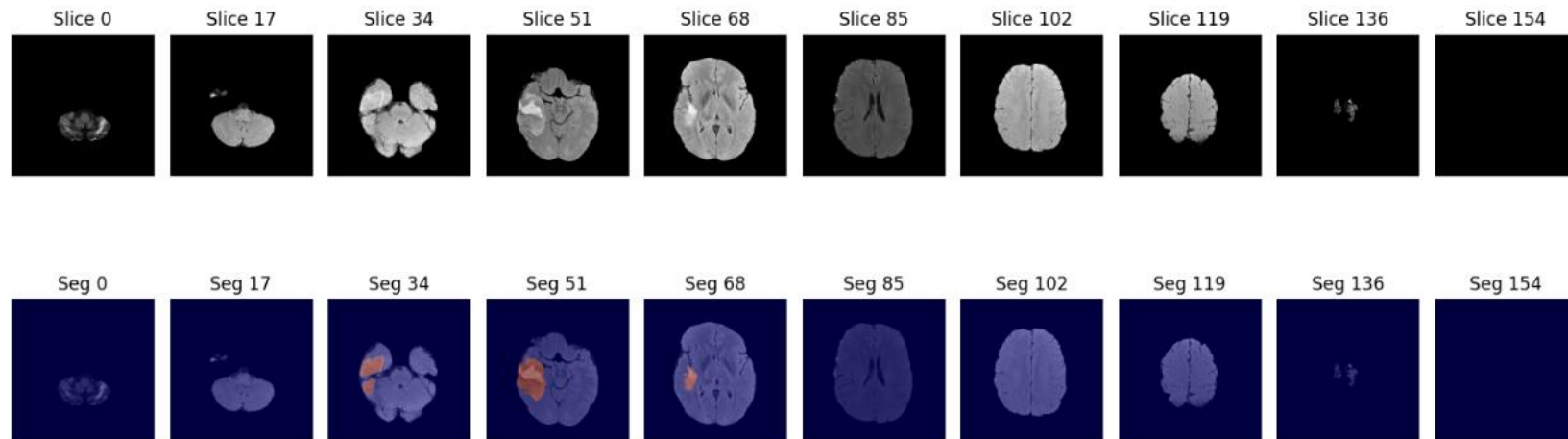


Figure 1: Example Visualization

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PART 04

# **Data Preprocessing**

## Track 2.1 Restructuring Dataset

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dataset\_segmentation/train/xxx/xxx\_fld.nii



~/nnUNet\_raw/imagesTr/xxx/xxx\_fld.nii

dataset\_segmentation/train/xxx/xxx\_seg.nii



~/nnUNet\_raw/labelsTr/xxx/xxx\_seg.nii



## Track 2.2 Extracting Data Fingerprint

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### Cropping Non-Zero Regions

Non-zero mask is created for each image and segmentation pair. This mask ensures that only the relevant part of the image is used for training.

### Saving the Fingerprint

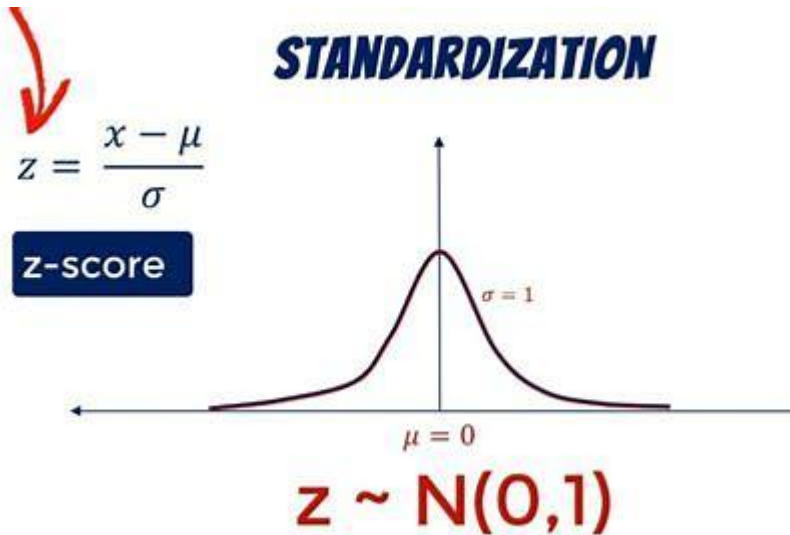
```
extract_fingerprints([task_id], check_dataset_integrity=True)
plans_identifier = plan_experiments([task_id])
num_processes = [4]
preprocess([task_id], plans_identifier, ['3d_fullres'], num_processes)
```

## Track 2.3 Preprocessing Individual Cases

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Normalization



Resampling

The original spacing (voxel size) of the images is adjusted to a target spacing.



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PART 05

# **Data Augmentation**

# Augmentation Techniques

Patch Selection

Fixed-size patches

Spatial Transformations

Rotation, Scaling, Elastic Deformation

Noise & Blur

Brightness and Contrast

- Downsampling
- Adjust intensity distribution

Low Resolution & Gamma Transform

Mirroring and Masking

- Applied specified axes
- Normalizes only within regions of interest

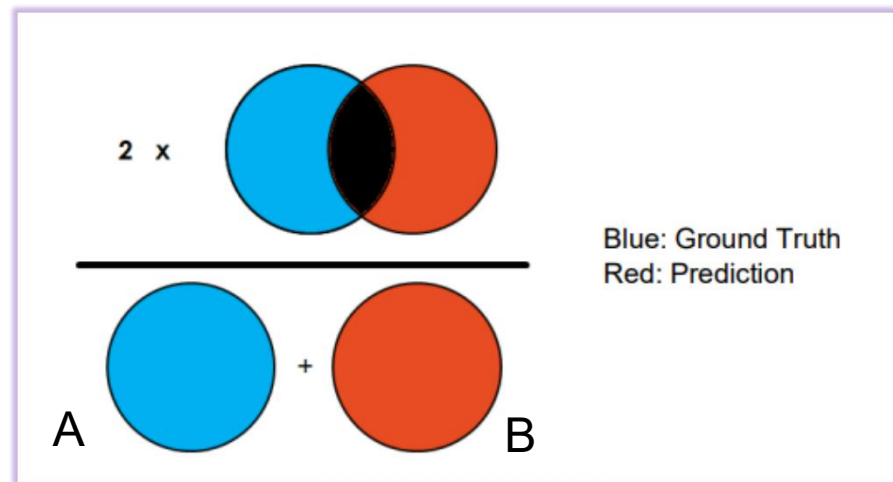
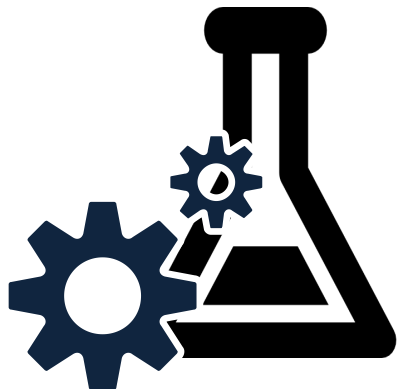
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PART 06

# **Performance Metric**

## 4.1 Dice Similarity Coefficient

$$DSC = \frac{2 \cdot |A \cap B| + \text{smoothing}}{|A| + |B| + \text{smoothing}}$$



## 4.2 Cross-Entropy Loss

$$H(p, q) = - \sum_{x \in \mathcal{X}} p(x) \log q(x). \quad (\text{Eq.1})$$



Supports One-Hot Encoding

Works with one-hot encoded target labels

Ensures Pixel Classification

Helps the model assign each pixel to the right class

## 4.3 Combined Loss Function

$$\mathcal{L} = w_{\text{dice}} \cdot \mathcal{L}_{\text{Dice}} + w_{\text{CE}} \cdot \mathcal{L}_{\text{CE}}$$



Ensures both accurate **classification** and well-defined **segmentation boundaries**.

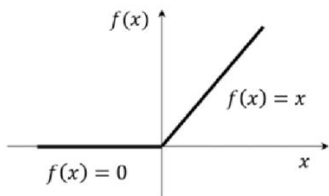
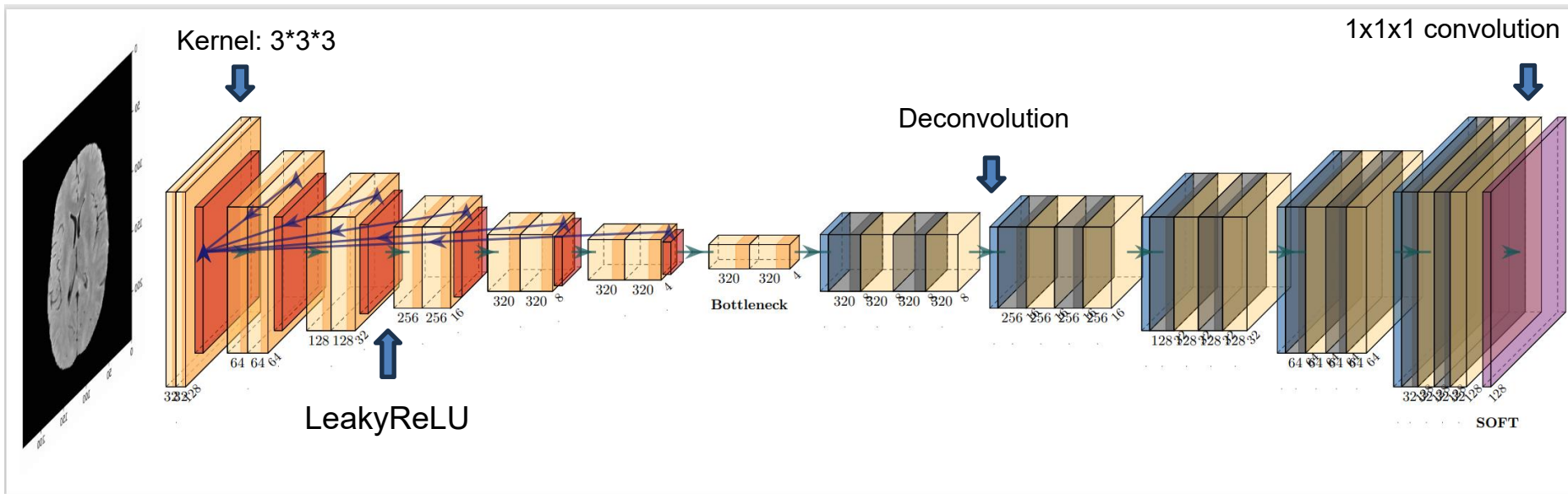
A series of dark blue geometric lines forming a partial frame around the text. It includes a horizontal line at the top, a vertical line on the left, a horizontal line at the bottom, and a vertical line on the right. Additionally, there are two diagonal lines: one in the top right corner and one in the bottom left corner.

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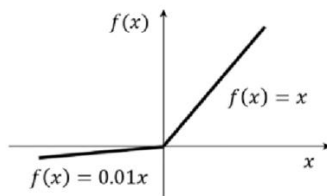
# **Network Architecture**

# PlainConvUNet

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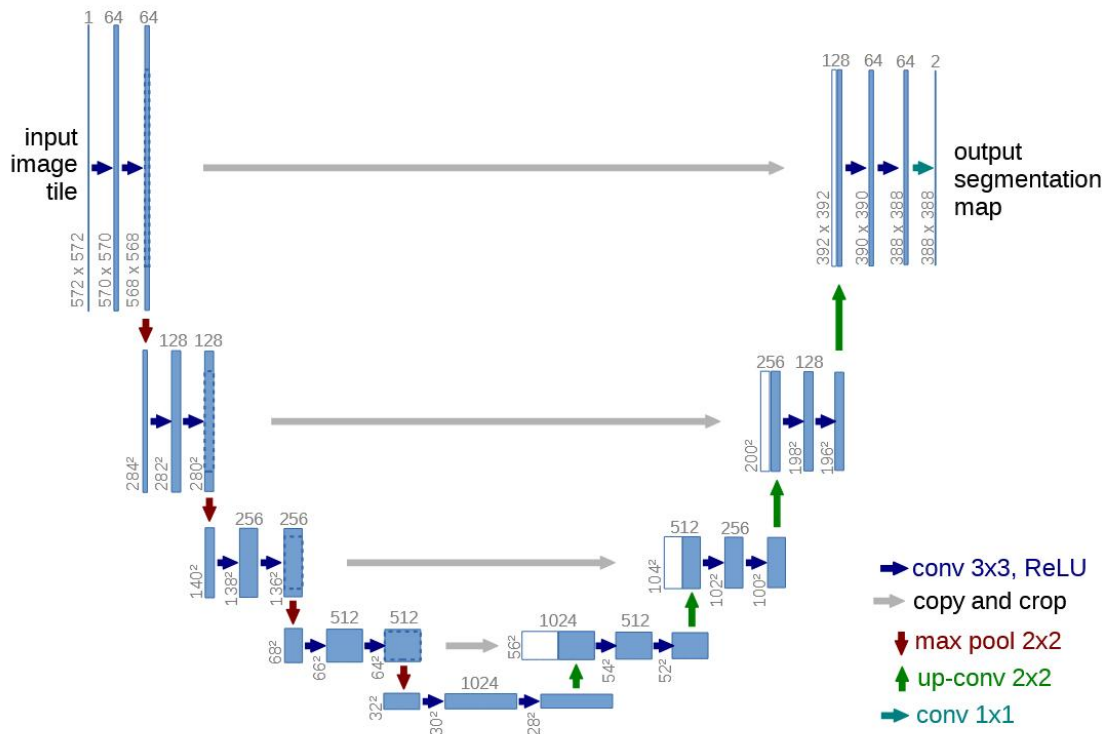


ReLU activation function



LeakyReLU activation function





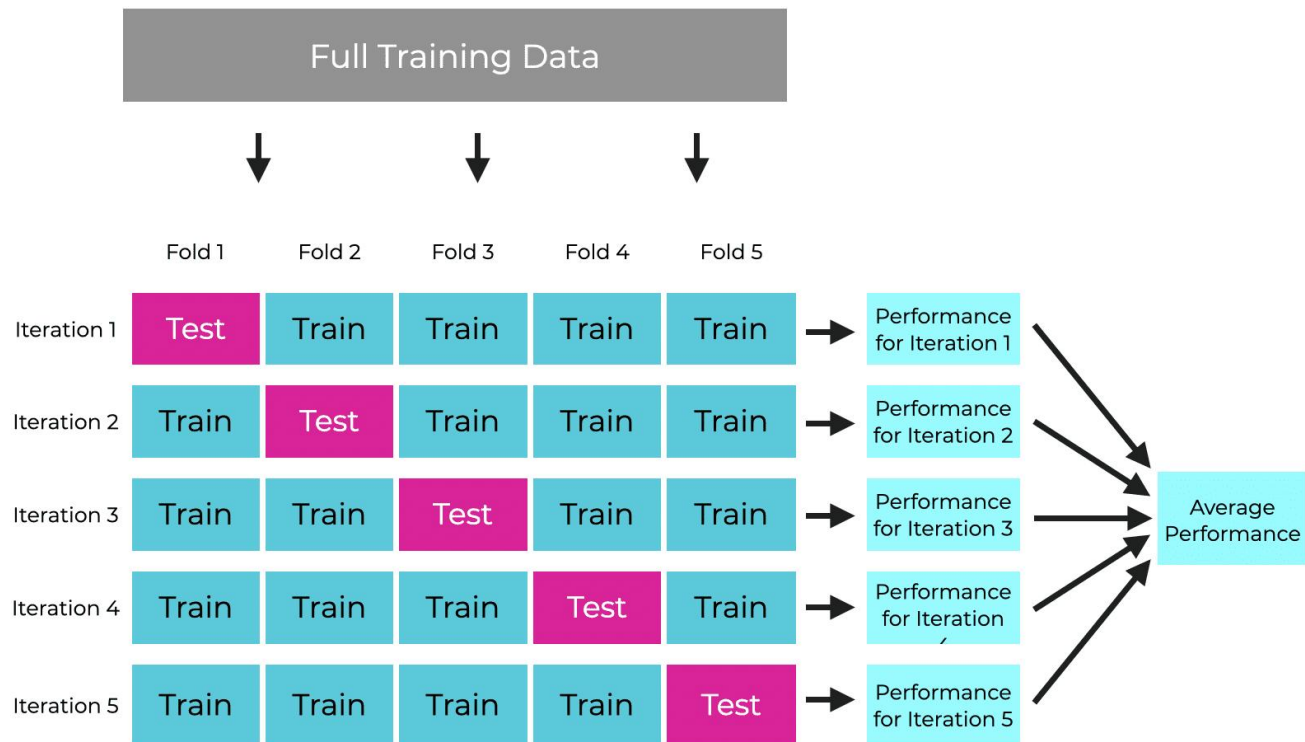
**Fig. 1.** U-net architecture (example for 32x32 pixels in the lowest resolution). Each blue box corresponds to a multi-channel feature map. The number of channels is denoted on top of the box. The x-y-size is provided at the lower left edge of the box. White boxes represent copied feature maps. The arrows denote the different operations.

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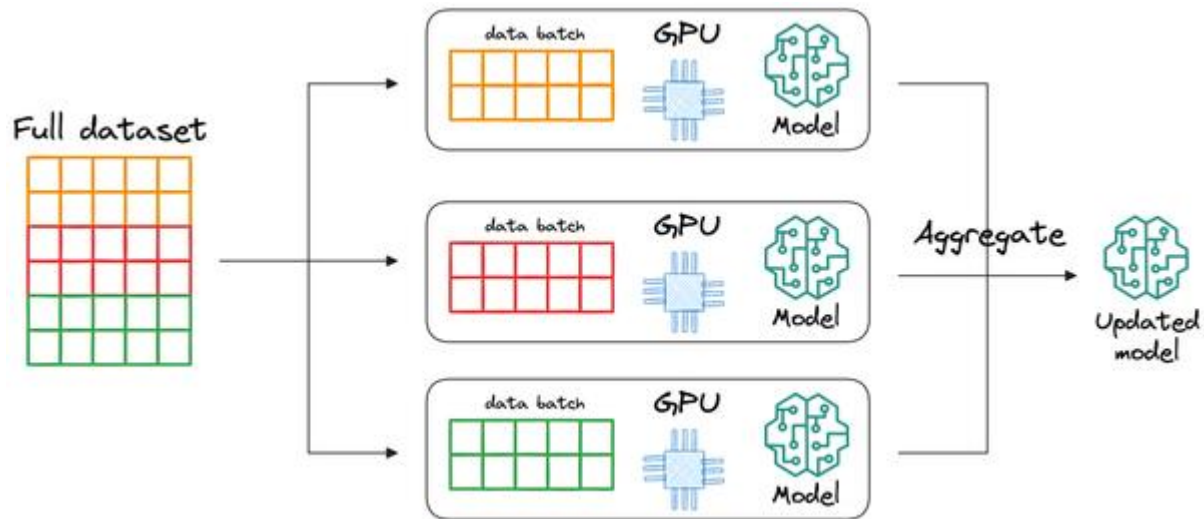
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**Trainer**

# 5-Fold Cross-Validation



# Multi-GPU Training



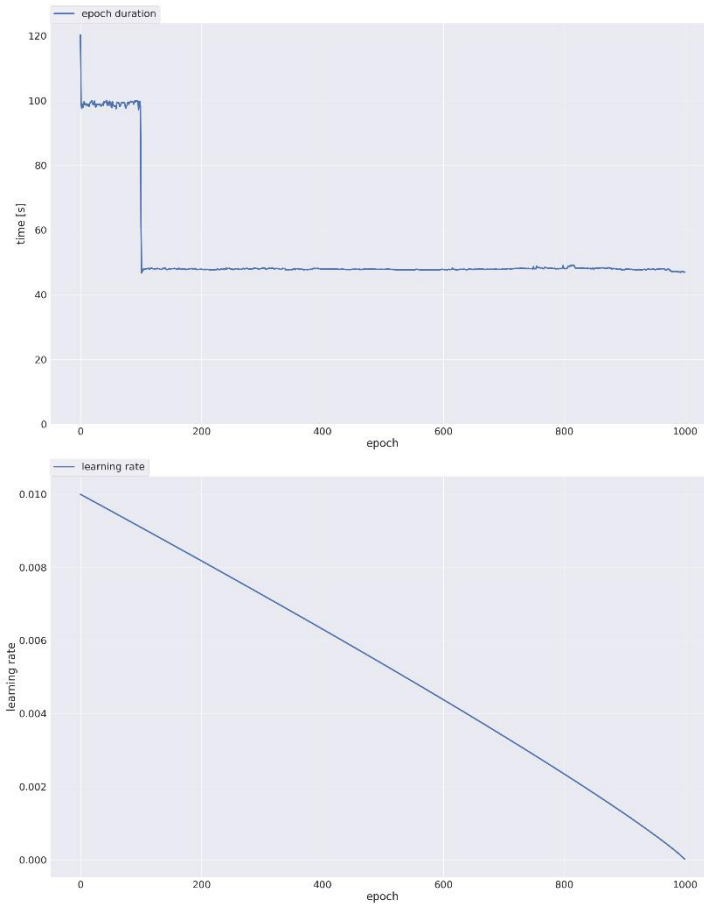
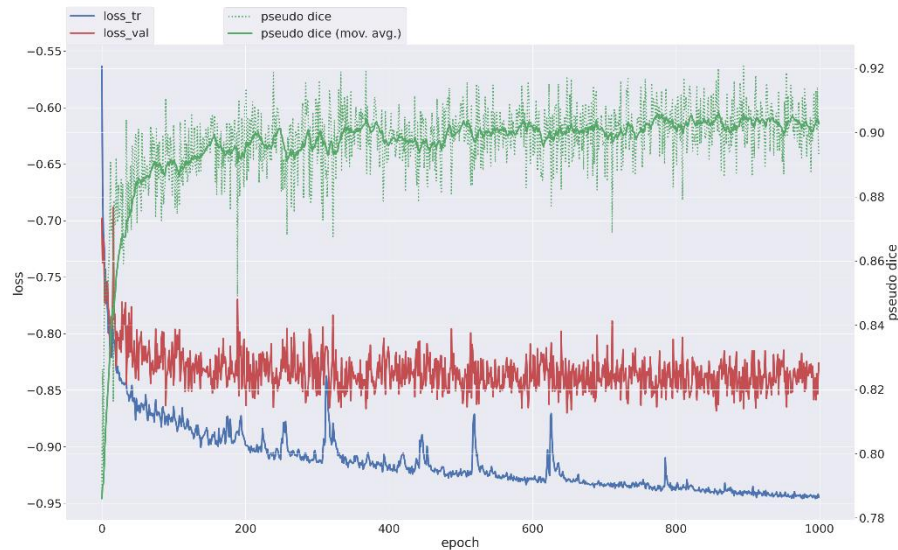
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PART 09

# Results

# Training Process

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# Validation Performance

- **Fold 0:** Mean Validation Dice: 0.9173
- **Fold 1:** Mean Validation Dice: 0.8910
- **Fold 2:** Mean Validation Dice: 0.8888
- **Fold 3:** Mean Validation Dice: 0.8911
- **Fold 4:** Mean Validation Dice: 0.9103
- **Average Mean Dice Score:** 0.8997

Hello,

Your model achieved a Dice score of 0.8875 and a 95 Hausdorff Distance of 11.5758 on our test set. Well done!

Best,  
Chengliang



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# Word Representation in **Biomedical Domain**

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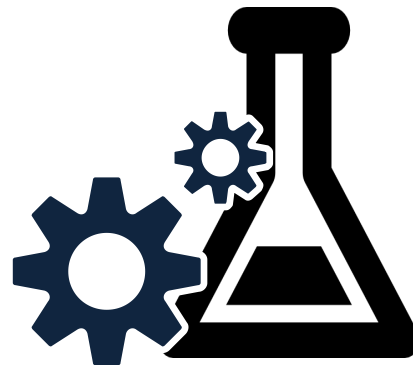
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# Objective



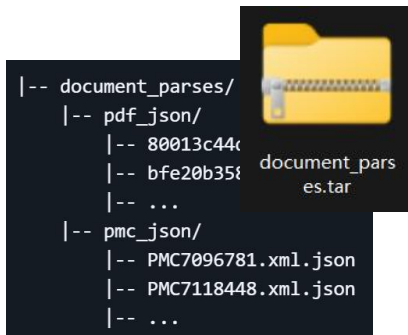
The aim of this project is to **analyze the text** content and **construct word representations** suitable for the large scale document data in the **biomedical** field, and finally explore and analyze the **application** of word vectors.



# Technological Process

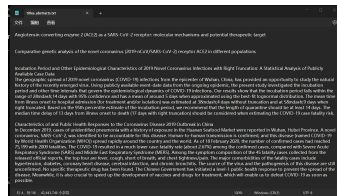
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Dataset

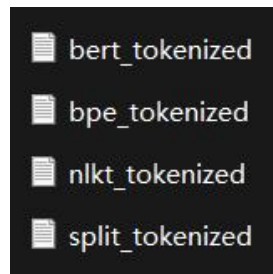
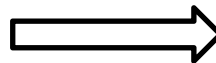


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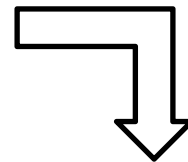
Core content



Tokenizer

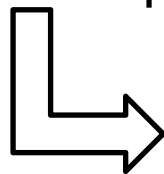


Modeling

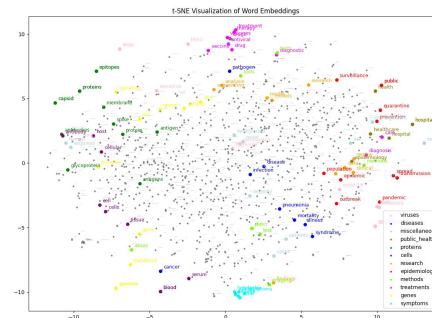


```
Word: this, Vector: [ 0.23222321 0.12671019 -0.04556849 -0.06296597 -0.20533879]...  
Word: be, Vector: [-0.11883736 -0.08993076 -0.18911168 0.00159133 0.03658859]...  
Word: virus, Vector: [-0.00974345 -0.3625814 0.0456008 -0.5772487 -0.2413821 ]...  
Word: coronavirus, Vector: [ 0.39919555 -0.37495816 -0.18429291 -0.10705779 0.3739001 ]...  
Word: infection, Vector: [-0.34453392 -0.8504306 0.04829029 0.00951516 -0.33521503]...  
Word: patients, Vector: [ 0.14964846 -0.24931104 0.19648291 0.3334433 0.10605083]...
```

Representations



Visualisation  
& Application



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PART 01

# **Prase the Data**



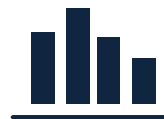
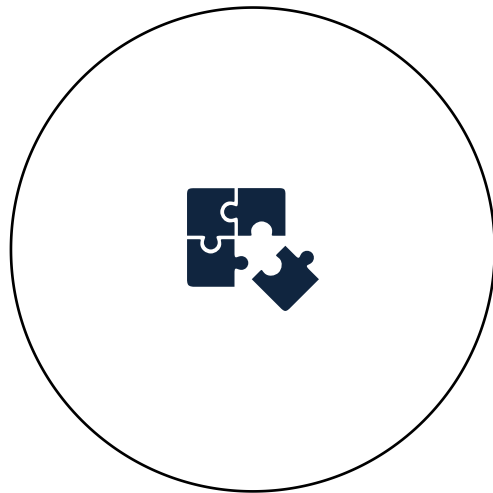
## Overview of Dataset

metadata.csv

```
|--title  
|--abstract  
|--authors  
|--doi
```

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## Selection of Content

- **Title**
- **Abstract**

\*If missing,  
replaced with a  
'Space'

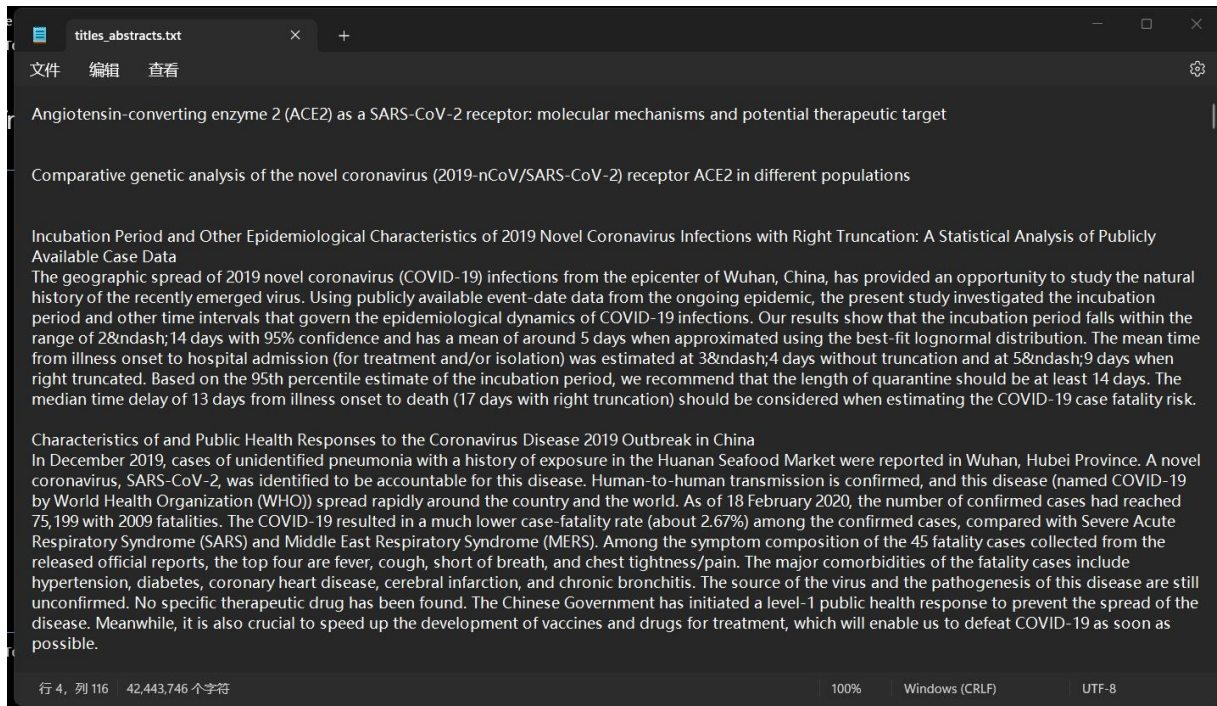
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# Prase the Data



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Angiotensin-converting enzyme 2 (ACE2) as a SARS-CoV-2 receptor: molecular mechanisms and potential therapeutic target

Comparative genetic analysis of the novel coronavirus (2019-nCoV/SARS-CoV-2) receptor ACE2 in different populations

Incubation Period and Other Epidemiological Characteristics of 2019 Novel Coronavirus Infections with Right Truncation: A Statistical Analysis of Publicly Available Case Data

The geographic spread of 2019 novel coronavirus (COVID-19) infections from the epicenter of Wuhan, China, has provided an opportunity to study the natural history of the recently emerged virus. Using publicly available event-date data from the ongoing epidemic, the present study investigated the incubation period and other time intervals that govern the epidemiological dynamics of COVID-19 infections. Our results show that the incubation period falls within the range of 2&ndash;14 days with 95% confidence and has a mean of around 5 days when approximated using the best-fit lognormal distribution. The mean time from illness onset to hospital admission (for treatment and/or isolation) was estimated at 3&ndash;4 days without truncation and at 5&ndash;9 days when right truncated. Based on the 95th percentile estimate of the incubation period, we recommend that the length of quarantine should be at least 14 days. The median time delay of 13 days from illness onset to death (17 days with right truncation) should be considered when estimating the COVID-19 case fatality risk.

Characteristics of and Public Health Responses to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 Outbreak in China

In December 2019, cases of unidentified pneumonia with a history of exposure in the Huanan Seafood Market were reported in Wuhan, Hubei Province. A novel coronavirus, SARS-CoV-2, was identified to be accountable for this disease. Human-to-human transmission is confirmed, and this disease (named COVID-19 by World Health Organization (WHO)) spread rapidly around the country and the world. As of 18 February 2020, the number of confirmed cases had reached 75,199 with 2009 fatalities. The COVID-19 resulted in a much lower case-fatality rate (about 2.67%) among the confirmed cases, compared with Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS) and Middle East Respiratory Syndrome (MERS). Among the symptom composition of the 45 fatality cases collected from the released official reports, the top four are fever, cough, short of breath, and chest tightness/pain. The major comorbidities of the fatality cases include hypertension, diabetes, coronary heart disease, cerebral infarction, and chronic bronchitis. The source of the virus and the pathogenesis of this disease are still unconfirmed. No specific therapeutic drug has been found. The Chinese Government has initiated a level-1 public health response to prevent the spread of the disease. Meanwhile, it is also crucial to speed up the development of vaccines and drugs for treatment, which will enable us to defeat COVID-19 as soon as possible.

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PART 02

# Tokenization

## Track 2.1 Use `split()` with regex



```
import re
```

```
Input: content of file
Initialize empty list words
for each line in content do
    Split line using regex \W+
    Append tokens to words list
end for
Remove empty strings from words
Write result to file
Output: result of tokenization
```

**Table 2.1:**  
Weighted  
Random  
Sample of  
20 Words

source	for
acetate	number
rate	enzymes
peptide	fruit
MERS	with
in	enzymes
of	respiratory
disease	virus
investigation	that
activation	the

## Track 2.2 Use NLTK tokenizer



```
import nltk
```

```
Input: content of file
Split content into sentences using
      sent_tokenize()
Initialize empty list words
for each sentence in sentences do
    Tokenize sentence into words
      using word_tokenize()
    Remove punctuations from sentence
    Convert all words to lowercase
    Append processed words to words
end for
Write result to file
Output: result of tokenization
```

**Table 2.2:**  
Top 20  
Represent-  
ative High-  
Frequency  
Words of  
Tokenized  
Result of  
NLTK  
Tokenizer

covid-19	sars-cov-2
2019-n-ncov	infection
pneumonia	transmission
symptoms	outbreak
wuhan	china
case	virus
fever	cough
diagnosis	treatment
epidemic	prevention
control	clinical



## Track 2.3 Use Byte-Pair Encoding (BPE)



```
from transformers  
import AutoTokenizer
```

```
Input: content of file  
Load pre-trained BERT tokenizer  
Set max_length to 512  
Initialize empty list result  
for each chunk of text with length  
    max_length do  
    Tokenize chunk using BERT  
    tokenizer  
    Append tokenized chunk to result  
end for  
Write result to file  
Output: result of tokenization
```

**Table 2.3:**  
Top 20  
Represent-  
ative High-  
Frequency  
Words of  
Tokenized  
Result of  
BERT  
Tokenizer

COVID-19	SARS-CoV-2
2019-nCoV	virus
infection	pneumonia
symptoms	transmission
patients	diagnosis
treatment	research
outbreak	cases
china	wuhan
genome	epidemiology
clinical	prevention

## Track 2.4 Build custom BPE



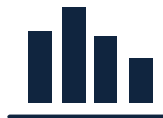
```
from tokenizers import  
Tokenizer, models, trainers,  
pre_tokenizers
```

**Input:** content of file  
Initialize BPE model  
Set up the **trainer** for the model  
**Training BPE model with content**  
Save the trained BPE model  
Tokenize content using trained  
BPE model (as Track 2.3)  
Write result to file  
**Output:** result of tokenization

**Table 2.4:**  
Top 20  
Represent-  
ative High-  
Frequency  
Words of  
Tokenized  
Result of  
Trained  
BPE Model  
Tokenizer

corona	virus
infection	COVID
pneumonia	epidemic
transmission	cases
patients	symptoms
treatment	control
quarantine	diagnosis
outbreak	SARS
MERS	vaccine
mortality	epidemiology

# Pros and Cons



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Track	Efficiency	Accuracy	Domain Suitability	Ease of Use	Adaptability
Use <code>split()</code> with regex	High	Low	Low	Very High	None
Use NLTK tokenizer	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate
Use Byte-Pair Encoding (BPE)	High	Moderate	Moderate	Low	Low
Build new Byte-Pair Encoding	Moderate	Very High	Very High	Low	Very High

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PART 03

# **Build Word Representations**

# Track 3.1 Use N-gram Language Modeling

- ★ N-gram language modeling represents words using **statistical co-occurrence**.

$n=7$



the	main	symptoms	of	COVID-19	are	?
$\omega_{t-6}$	$\omega_{t-5}$	$\omega_{t-4}$	$\omega_{t-3}$	$\omega_{t-2}$	$\omega_{t-1}$	$\omega_t$

$$p(\omega_t | \omega_{t-n+1}, \dots, \omega_{t-1}) = \frac{\mathcal{C}(\omega_{t-n+1}, \dots, \omega_{t-1}, \omega_t)}{\mathcal{C}(\omega_{t-n+1}, \dots, \omega_{t-1})}$$

\* $\mathcal{C}$  counts the number of occurrences of the sequence

Embeddings are learned by constructing a co-occurrence matrix  $M_{ij} = p(\omega_j | \omega_i)$ . Embeddings are obtained by SVD decomposition of  $M$ :  $M = USV^T$ , where  $U$  is word embeddings and  $V$  is context embeddings.

# Track 3.1 Use N-gram Language Modeling

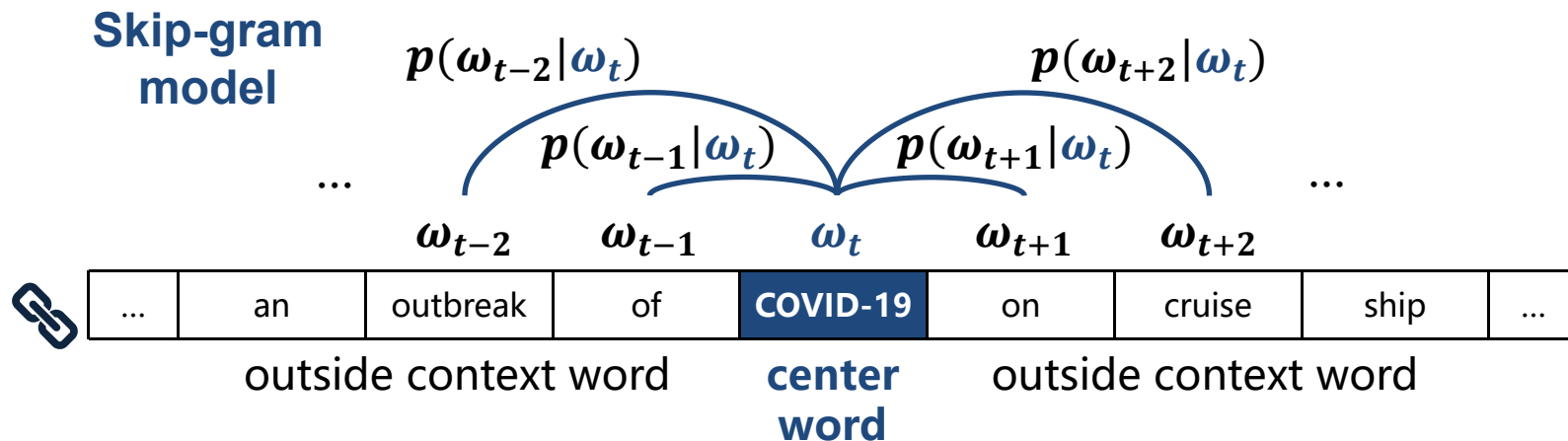


```
Input: result of tokenization
Extract vocabulary from result
Count the number of occurrences of different sequences
Initialize empty matrix M
for each word-pair (wi,wj) in vocabulary do
    Caculate  $M_{ij}$  = count of (wi,wj) divided by count of wi
Obtain embeddings U and V by SVD decomposition of M
Write representations to file
Output: word representations
```

```
Word: based, Vector: [-0.00113634  0.00042914  0.00171392 -0.00094201  0.00194551]...
Word: simulate, Vector: [-0.00282291  0.00276994  0.0045483  0.00387259 -0.00197817]...
Word: exponential, Vector: [-0.00745408 -0.00210878  0.00366707  0.00557761  0.0008061 ]...
Word: synthesize, Vector: [-0.00195744 -0.00161151  0.00571776 -0.00158255 -0.00619846]...
Word: infected, Vector: [ 0.00098503  0.00135052  0.00025794  0.00151996 -0.00295611]...
Word: PCT, Vector: [-0.00361682  0.00107059  0.00450699 -0.00321555 -0.00355247]...
```

## Track 3.2 Use Skip-gram with Negative Sampling

- ★ Skip-gram with Negative Sampling (SGNS) learns word embeddings by training a **neural network** to predict **context words** given a **target word**, while also distinguishing real context words from randomly sampled **negative words**.



## Track 3.2 Use Skip-gram with Negative Sampling

Negative  
sampling

window\_size=5

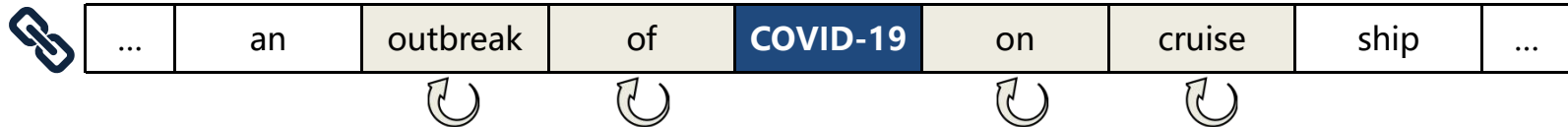


- We use  $p(\omega_c|\omega_t) = \sigma(v_c^T v_t)$  to calculate  $p(\omega_c|\omega_t)$  with  $v_c$  (the vector of context word  $\omega_c$ ),  $v_t$  (the vector of target word  $\omega_t$ ) and function  $\sigma(x) = \frac{1}{1+e^{-x}}$
- Outside context words in window are selected as **positive samples**, while  $k$  **negative samples**  $\omega_n$  are drawn from a noise distribution.
- To maximize  $p(\omega_c|\omega_t)$  while minimize  $p(\omega_n|\omega_t)$ , the loss function simplifies to:  $L = -\log \sigma(v_c^T v_t) - \sum_{n=1}^k \log \sigma(-v_n^T v_t)$

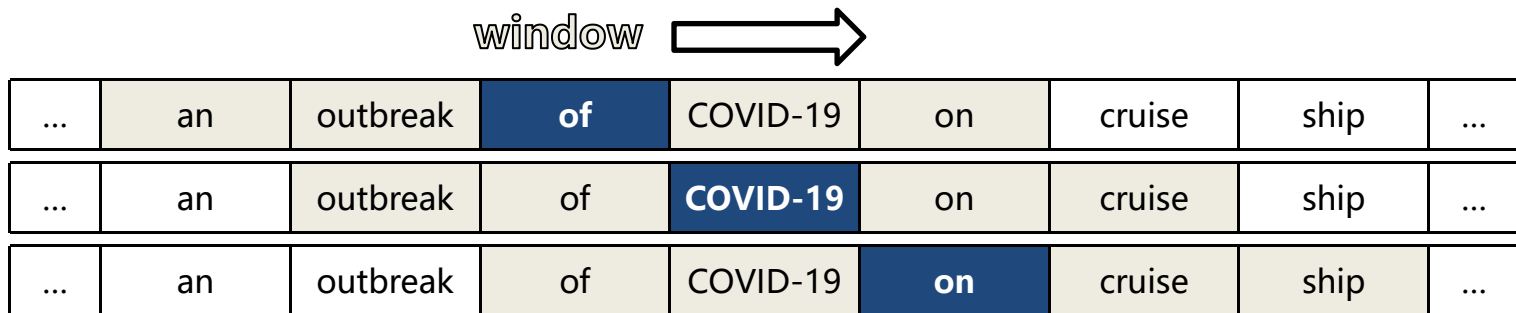


## Track 3.2 Use Skip-gram with Negative Sampling

Model  
training



For each context word, we update the vectors once.  
Then we move the window forward, traversing the entire content.



## Track 3.2 Use Skip-gram with Negative Sampling



```
Input: result of tokenization, window size, k
Initialize vectors randomly
for each sentence in result do
    for each target word in sentence do
        Set the window with the target word as the center
        for each context word in window do
            Randomly select k negative samples
            Caculate the loss function
            Update vectors based on gradient
Write model to file
Output: word representations
```

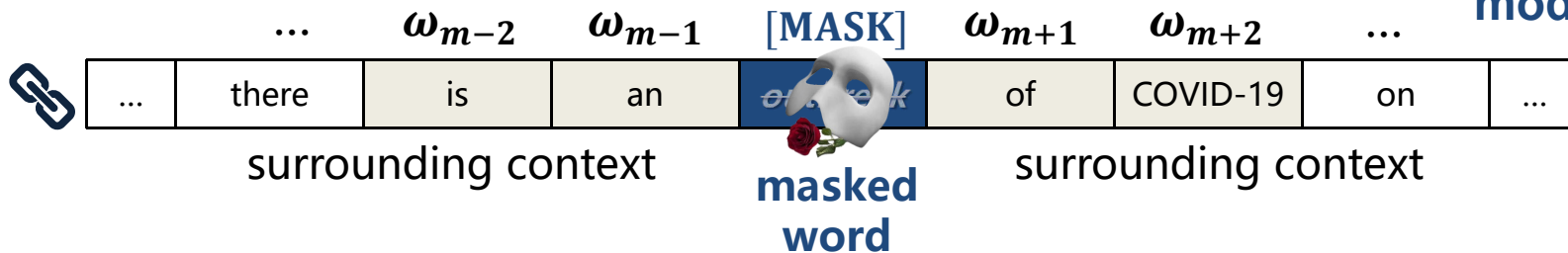
```
Word: be, Vector: [-0.04363129 -0.13416731 -0.04463265 0.42448187 0.1020665 ]...
Word: virus, Vector: [ 0.38384342 0.02390595 0.25144455 -0.32621083 0.22319743]...
Word: coronavirus, Vector: [ 0.34523997 -0.6191298 0.10023931 0.32888174 0.2146074 ]...
Word: infection, Vector: [-0.44734353 -0.3158639 -0.01379213 0.5342119 0.17223525]...
Word: patients, Vector: [ 0.3393421 -0.142002 0.5237385 0.3722622 0.3285995]...
Word: an, Vector: [ 0.15025043 -0.34280798 -0.30170983 0.20958054 -0.05775673]...
```

## Track 3.3 Use Contextualised Word Representation by MLM

- ★ Masked Language Model (MLM) is a technique used to learn contextualized word representations by training a model to predict randomly **masked words** in a sentence based on their **surrounding context**.

Given an input sequence  $\omega_1, \omega_2, \dots, \omega_t$ , some tokens are randomly masked (e.g.  $\omega_m$ ), and the model learns to predict them:  $p(\omega_m | \omega_1, \dots, \omega_{m-1}, [\text{MASK}], \omega_{m+1}, \dots, \omega_t)$

**Masked  
language  
model**



## Track 3.3 Use Contextualised Word Representation by MLM

- A transformer-based model (e.g. BERT) processes the full sequence bidirectionally, generating deep contextualized word embeddings. The loss function is typically the cross-entropy loss over the masked tokens:

$$L = - \sum_m \log p(\omega_m | h_m)$$

where  $h_m$  is the hidden representation of the masked token.

- This method enables embeddings to **capture word sense variations and syntactic dependencies** based on the given context.

## Track 3.3 Use Contextualised Word Representation by MLM

- In our implementation, we utilized BERT for embedding generation. Given the **large number of parameters** in BERT and the high computational cost of training, we employed **LoRA fine-tuning** to optimize the training process.

```
from transformers import BertTokenizer, BertForMaskedLM,
Trainer, TrainingArguments
from datasets import Dataset
import torch
from transformers import DataCollatorForLanguageModeling
from peft import get_peft_model, LoraConfig, TaskType
```

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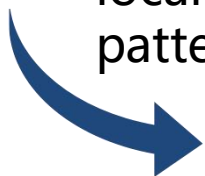
PART 04

# **Explore the Word Representations**

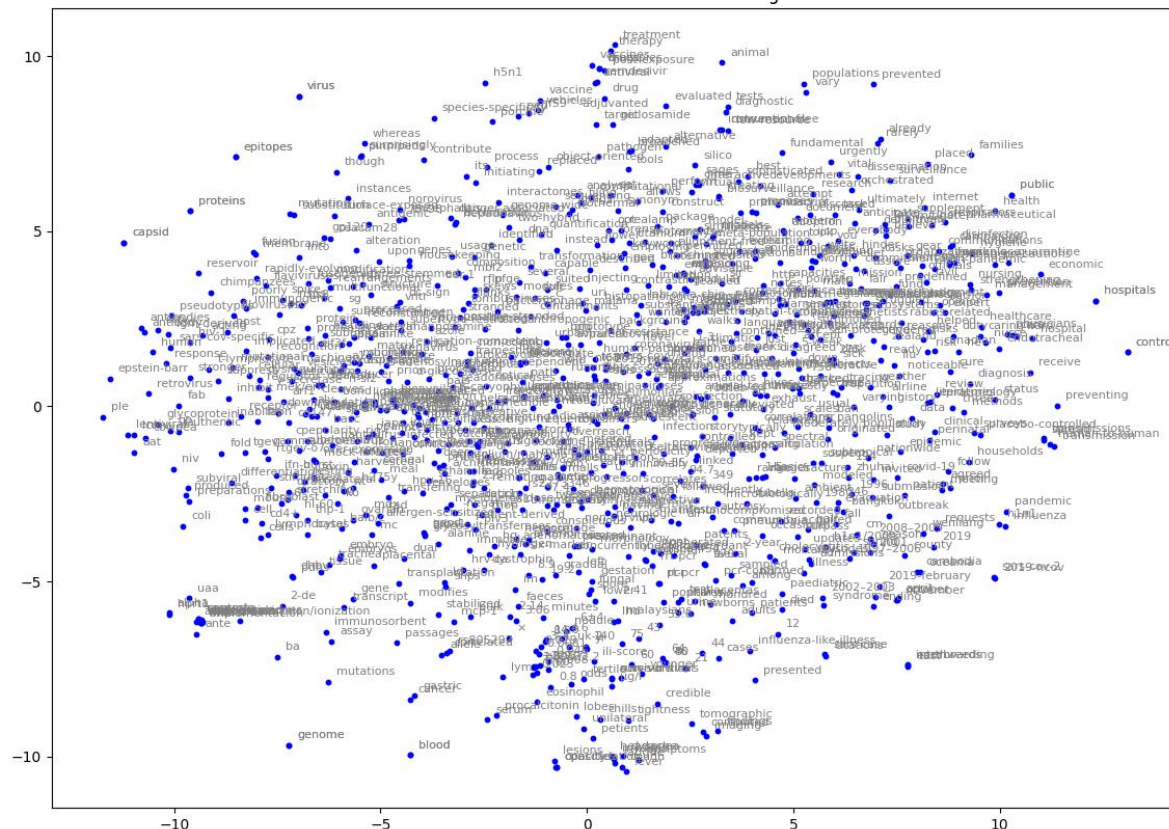
# Track 4.1 Visualise the word representations by t-SNE



• **t-SNE** is a dimensionality reduction algorithm that visualizes high-dimensional data by mapping it into a lower-dimensional space (typically 2D or 3D) while preserving local structure and patterns.



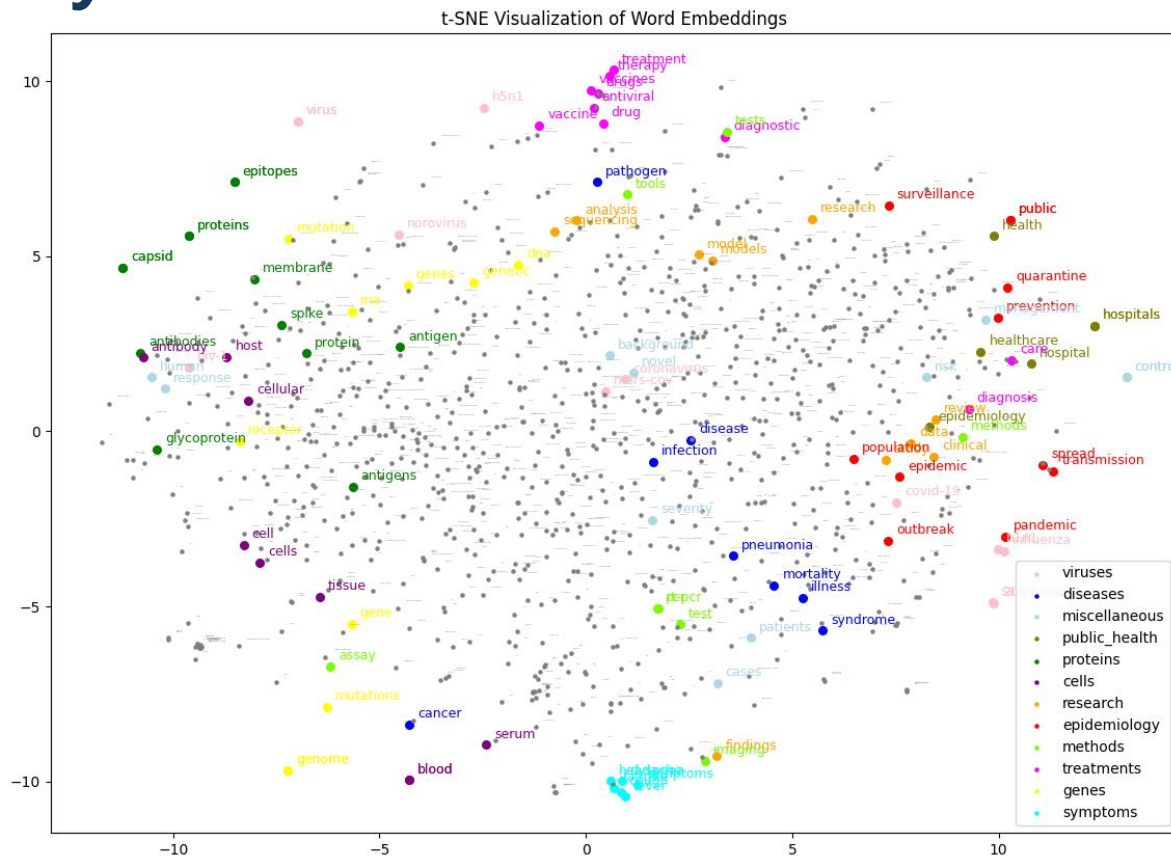
t-SNE Visualization of Word Embeddings



## Track 4.2 Visualise Biomedical Entities by t-SNE



- **Biomedical Entities** words are colored by category and highlighted in this section. In this graph, words marked with the **same color** tend to **cluster** together, while words marked with the **different color** tend to **separate** from each other.





## Track 4.3 Co-occurrence



- The words are selected in order from highest to lowest according to the **statistical frequency** of co-occurrence with the target word in the **corpus**.

- **Cross-Domain Relevance**
- **Contextual Associations**
- **Broad Impact of COVID-19**

Co-occurring Word	Frequency
Covid	0.009722719
multiplicity	0.006220484
flaviviral	0.005976294
Lyme	0.005395208
productive	0.005248906
obstructive	0.005074524
mouth	0.004548549
persistent	0.004354533
Alzheimer	0.004330223
SFTSV	0.004047467

**Target word:**  
**'coronavirus'**

**Table 4.4:**  
10 biomedical  
entities with  
the highest  
frequency of  
cooccurrence  
with  
coronavirus

## Track 4.4 Semantic Similarity

- The words are selected in order from highest to lowest according to the **cosine similarity** of the word vector with the target words.

$$\text{Similarity} = \frac{\mathbf{v}_1 \cdot \mathbf{v}_2}{\|\mathbf{v}_1\| \cdot \|\mathbf{v}_2\|}$$

- **Model Strengths**
  - **Error Handling**
- **Temporal and Specific References**

Semantic Similar Word	Similarity
novel	0.632027924
2019-novel	0.618497908
coronavirus	0.610034168
abstract	0.596071839
provisionally	0.592935622
2019-ncov	0.58953917
2019	0.587587357
ncov-2019	0.576685071
cov	0.576638222
2019-novel	0.618497908

**Target word:**  
**'coronavirus'**

**Table 4.3:**  
10 biomedical entities with the highest semantic similarity with coronavirus

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**Thank you for  
your attention!**

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