Covid -19 diagnosis with 3D CNN and Lung -CT segmentation

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Introduction

CT can play a vital role in diagnosis of covid-19

Advantages:

Rt-PCR has low accuracy (60-70)% and requires some time, whereas diagnosis from CT scan is faster, which is crucial to mange the pandemic.

Cons:

 Features are not well distinguished from CAP (community acquired pneumonia)

Features:

Bilateral ground glass opacities and consolidation

Data

- Using the default dataset SPGC covid dataset
- The dataset is highly non-uniform
- Very high number of Covid positive samples (170 samples) in opposite to non covid samples (CAP: 60 samples or Healthy: 76 samples)
- Structural difference of images for different patients (ie : difference in number of slices, Hounsfield Unit range, Pixel spacing, slice thickness)

Data Preprocessing

Data Splitting:

- 55 number of samples from each category for training process (40 for training & 15 for validation)
- 5 from each category for testing
- (So, total 60 from each category, as CAP has minimum number of samples of 60)

Tackling non-uniformity in Data:

Hu range was set to -1000 to 400 (as, air hu =~ -1000 and lung tissue hu =~ 300 addition 100 accounts for infection and blood clots), considering, values outside the range are not of interest diagnosing covid.

Data Preprocessing

Data Normalization:

Hounsfield Unit normalized to 0 to 1.

[values closer to 0 represent air or non infected region, values closer to 1 represent infected region]

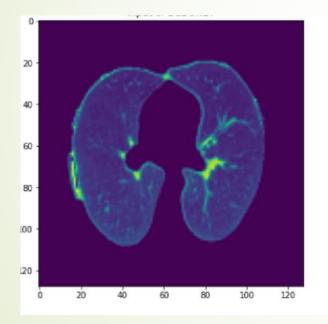
- Lungs were segmented and cropped to reduce loss (details in later slides)
- 3D images was resized to (50,128,128) before passing to training

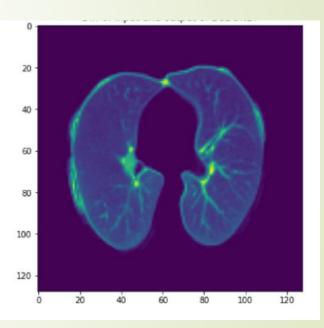
Methodology: 3D CNN

- Preprocessed data is passed to a 3D CNN model with (4 segments of of 2 3D CNN models followed by a 3D maxpooling layer)
- The kernel size is of 3d CNN layer is (3,3,3) and the activation function is relu
- The pooling size is (2,2,2,) for the maxpooling layer.
- After these, there are 2 dense layers with node of 32 and 3.
- Activation function of last dense layer is softmax as there are 3 classes.
- A dropout layer is used between the dense layer to avoid overfitting

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def get_model(width=128, height=128, depth=64):
    """Build a 3D convolutional neural network model."""
    inputs = keras.Input((width, height, depth, 1))
    x = layers.Conv3D(filters=64, kernel_size=3, activation="relu")(inputs)
    x = layers.MaxPool3D(pool size=2)(x)
    x = layers.BatchNormalization()(x)
   x = layers.Conv3D(filters=64, kernel_size=3, activation="relu")(x)
   x = layers.MaxPool3D(pool size=2)(x)
   x = layers.BatchNormalization()(x)
    x = layers.Conv3D(filters=128, kernel_size=3, activation="relu")(x)
    x = layers.MaxPool3D(pool_size=2)(x)
    x = layers.BatchNormalization()(x)
    x = layers.Conv3D(filters=256, kernel_size=3, activation="relu")(x)
   x = layers.MaxPool3D(pool_size=2)(x)
    x = layers.BatchNormalization()(x)
   x = layers.GlobalAveragePooling3D()(x)
   x = layers.Dense(units=512, activation="relu")(x)
    x = layers.Dropout(0.3)(x)
   outputs = layers.Dense(units=1, activation="sigmoid")(x)
    # Define the model.
   model = keras.Model(inputs, outputs, name="3dcnn")
    return model
# Build model.
model = get_model(width=128, height=128, depth=64)
model.summary()
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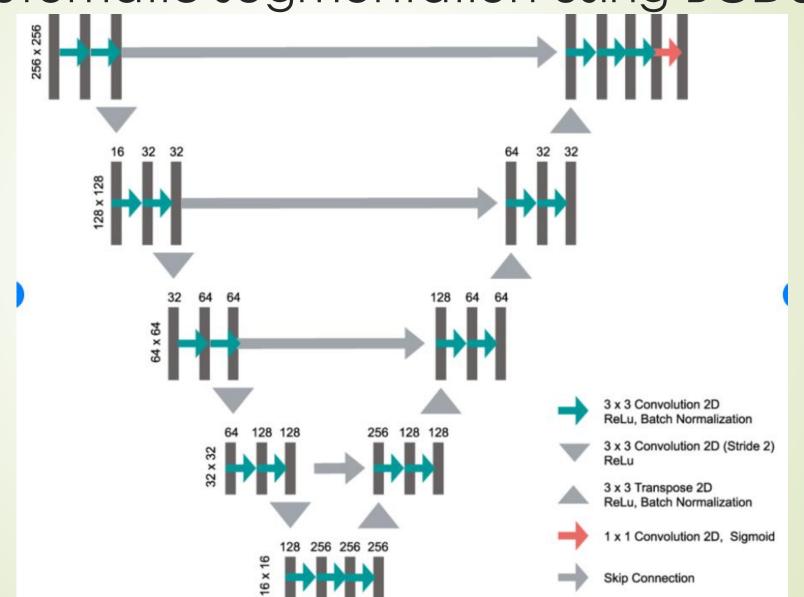
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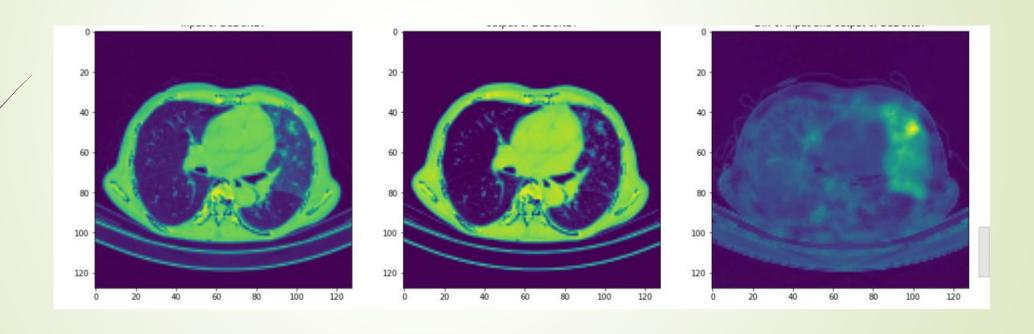


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Epoch 11/30
Epoch 12/30
Epoch 13/30
12/12 [===============] - 15s 1s/step - loss: 0.6417 - accuracy: 0.6452 - val loss: 1.0673 - val accuracy: 0.4889
Epoch 14/30
Epoch 15/30
Epoch 16/30
12/12 [================] - 15s 1s/step - loss: 0.4624 - accuracy: 0.8367 - val loss: 1.0545 - val accuracy: 0.4667
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Automatic segmentation using BCDU

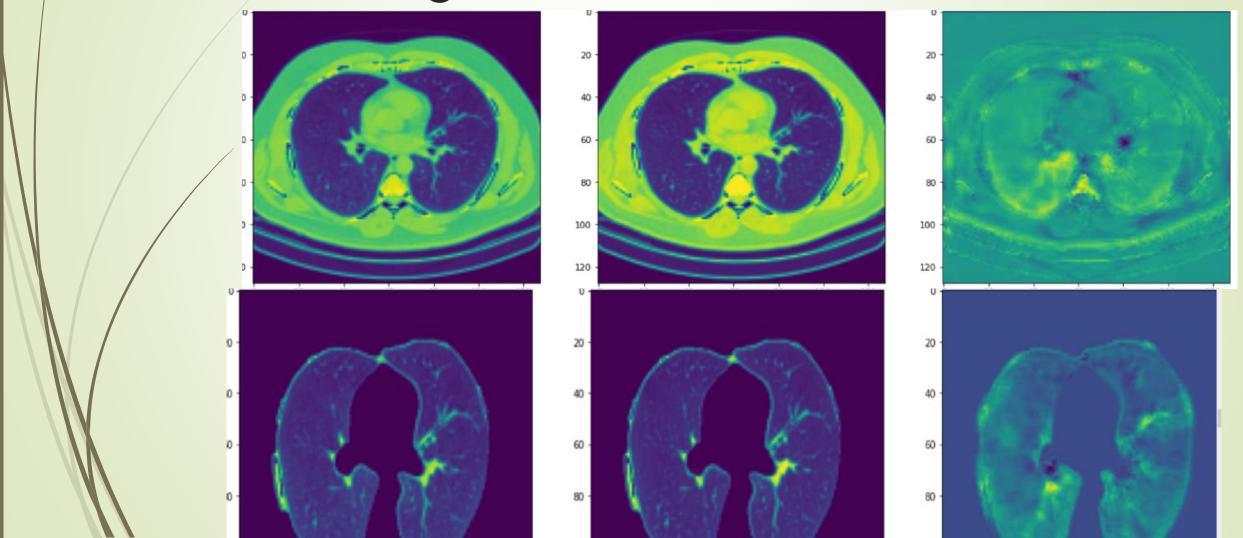


Effects of BCDU



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Effects of preprocessed lung cropping and segmentation



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Testing on uncropped Lungs with BCDU net

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predicted = loaded model.predict(dataset)
Label = ['Control','COVID-19','CAP']
for i in range(predicted.shape[0]):
    lbl = np.argmax(predicted[i])
    print('The case number %d is '%i, test2[i], 'predicted', lbl, 'with probibility of %.2f'%(100*predicted[i, lbl]))
The case number 0 is 1 predicted 1 with probibility of 99.96
The case number 1 is 1 predicted 1 with probibility of 97.25
The case number 2 is 1 predicted 0 with probibility of 99.96
The case number 3 is 1 predicted 0 with probibility of 84.47
The case number 4 is 1 predicted 1 with probibility of 71.83
The case number 5 is 0 predicted 0 with probibility of 99.77
The case number 6 is 0 predicted 0 with probibility of 99.98
The case number 7 is 0 predicted 0 with probibility of 100.00
The case number 8 is 0 predicted 0 with probibility of 100.00
The case number 9 is 0 predicted 0 with probibility of 99.91
The case number 10 is 2 predicted 2 with probibility of 87.92
The case number 11 is 2 predicted 2 with probibility of 99.68
The case number 12 is 2 predicted 1 with probibility of 88.25
The case number 13 is 2 predicted 2 with probibility of 59.80
The case number 14 is 2 predicted 1 with probibility of 92.08
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Testing on cropped Lungs with BCDU net

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Label = ['Control','COVID-19','CAP']
for i in range(predicted.shape[0]):
    lbl = np.argmax(predicted[i])
    print('The case number %d is '%i, test2[i], 'predicted', lbl, 'with probibility
The case number 0 is 1 predicted 1 with probibility of 100.00
The case number 1 is 1 predicted 1 with probibility of 98.07
The case number 2 is 1 predicted 1 with probibility of 94.27
The case number 3 is 1 predicted 1 with probibility of 87.93
The case number 4 is 1 predicted 2 with probibility of 99.93
The case number 5 is 0 predicted 0 with probibility of 60.45
The case number 6 is 0 predicted 0 with probibility of 100.00
The case number 7 is 0 predicted 0 with probibility of 100.00
The case number 8 is 0 predicted 0 with probibility of 98.36
The case number 9 is 0 predicted 0 with probibility of 99.94
The case number 10 is 2 predicted 2 with probibility of 99.92
The case number 11 is 2 predicted 2 with probibility of 100.00
The case number 12 is 2 predicted 0 with probibility of 78.86
The case number 13 is 2 predicted 1 with probibility of 99.99
The case number 14 is 2 predicted 1 with probibility of 100.00
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Findings

- Segmentation with BCDU net on cropped lungs results in better and more effective diagnosis as it gives fewer false negatives.
- Needs better and more effective segmentation process to differentiate between CAP vs Covid to increase accuracy

Future work

- Exploring more segmentation networks (Unet++, Segnet, Linknet, PSPnet etc)
- Exploring more 3D CNN networks suitable for our data.
- Optimizing the threshold levels of HU to increase efficiency
- Resizing our data to bigger unit before passing to networks

Resource Limitations

Hardware limitations:

(GPU, RAM)

Data Limitation :

Small Dataset,

Absence of manually segmented/masked samples to use as ground truth

