



Tooth Detection and Classification Using Dental X-ray Images

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Artificial Intelligence can be used to augment dental diagnosis

Dental X-ray images **help screen** for any tooth and bone structure **abnormalities**

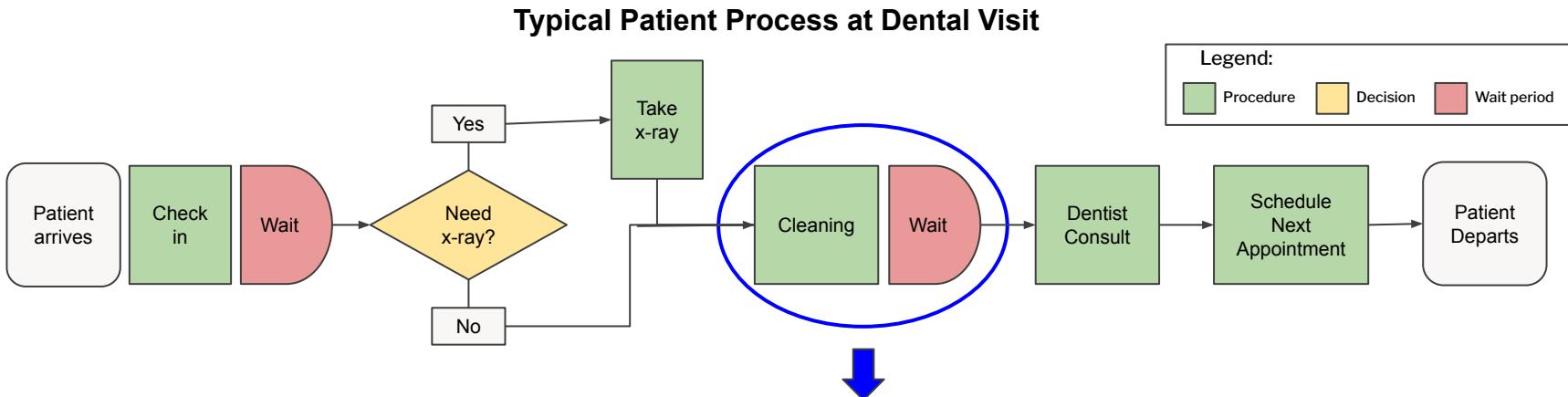
- Solely relying on a dentist's opinion increases the likelihood of **human error**

Great Lakes Dental Partners (GLDP) investing in **dental AI products to assist dental diagnosis.**

- Chicago's largest dental network



Automation can increase patient throughput and dental clinic revenue



- ❖ Reduce patient wait time
- ❖ Improve real time scheduling
- ❖ Increase diagnostic support
- ❖ Increase ROI

Inference Analytics aims to enter the dental AI industry with a x-ray based tooth screening model



Key benefits of IANN's platforms:

- Enhance productivity
- Improvements in quality
- Reduced burnout



Competitors in the dental AI industry:

- Overjet
- Denti.AI
- Pearl
- ORCA Dental AI

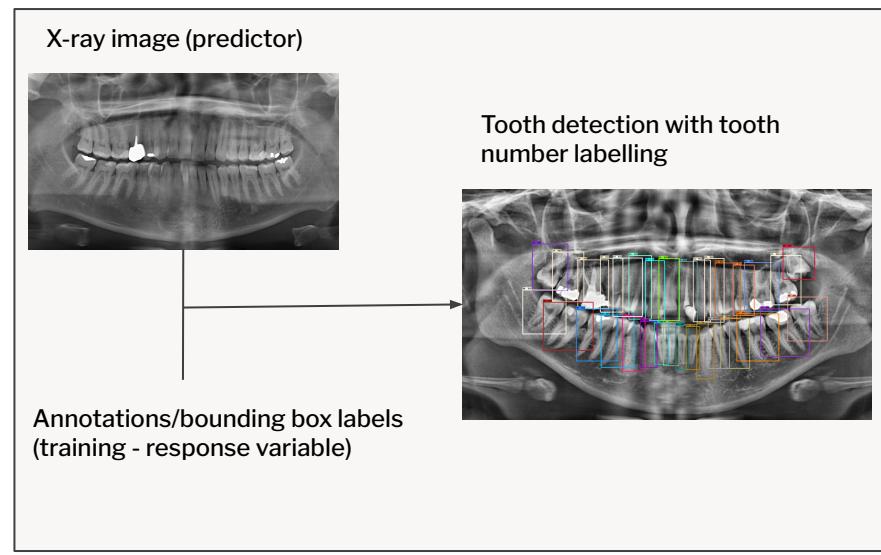
Deep learning approaches were utilized to automate tooth detection and labelling

Project Goals:

1. Automated **tooth detection** on panoramic dental X-ray images.
2. **Tooth type classification** with tooth number labelling

Outcome:

A deployable product with a **graphical user interface** for tooth detection and labelling.



Tooth detection and labelling of panoramic X-ray images

Tooth segmentation is essential for furthering dental AI

Purpose of Dental Image Segmentation



Biometrics
(Human identification)



Bone loss &
Teeth gap
areas



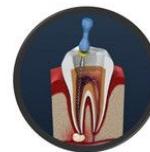
Caries
detection



Computer
guided
treatment



Cyst or
Tumour
extraction



Root canal
treatment
diagnosis

Problems in Dental Image Segmentation

Poor image quality due to presence of noise.

Irregular shape of object

Intensity variations in X-Ray

Proper selection of methods for the application

Limitation of capturing devices

Lack of availability of datasets

Panoramic dental x-rays from two different sources were utilized

X-ray from UFBA-UESC Dental Images



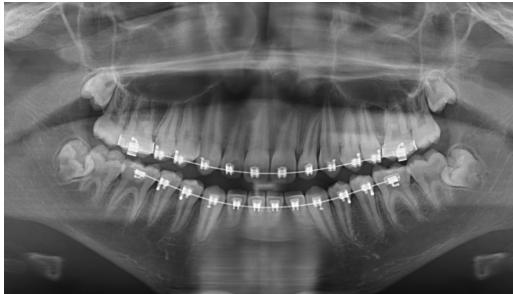
X-ray from Great Lakes Dental Practices



- UFBA-UESC Dental Images dataset contains **1500 panoramic dental x-ray images**
 - Used in many dental research studies
- Collected **2 million panoramic dental x-ray images** from around 40 clinics under GLDP specifically for IANN

Variations in x-rays range from differences in each patient's mouth and teeth to x-ray quality

Dental appliance (e.g. braces)



Jaw structure



Dental restoration (e.g. fillings)



X-ray quality (exposure)



Dental implant (e.g. fake teeth)



X-ray quality (warping, text)



Different convolutional neural networks were developed as modeling solutions

Instance Segmentation



Mask R-CNN

	Mask R-CNN	You Only Look Once (YOLO)
Advantages	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Easier to compare specific, closer objects	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Addresses occlusionEase of generalizationSmaller framework
Disadvantages	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Performs per-pixel comparisonStruggles with overcrowded or overlapping objects	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Low recall and more localization errorStruggles detecting close, smaller objects

Object Detection

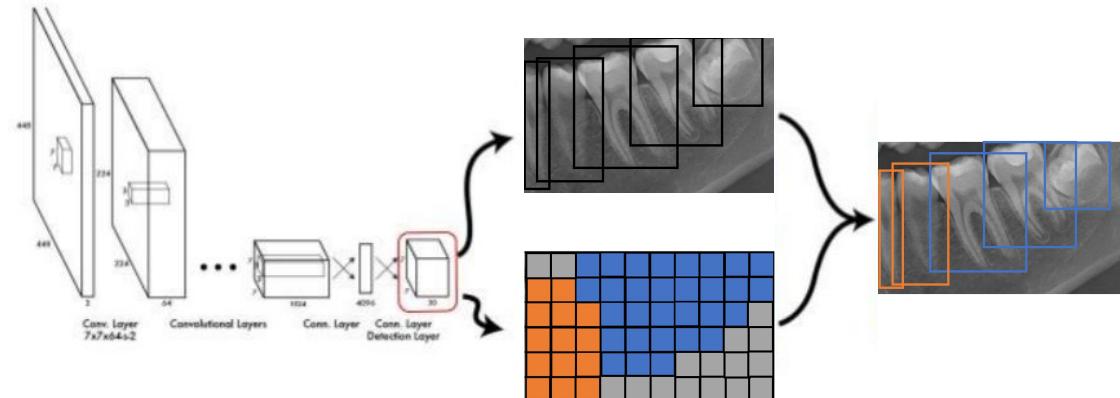


YOLOv5

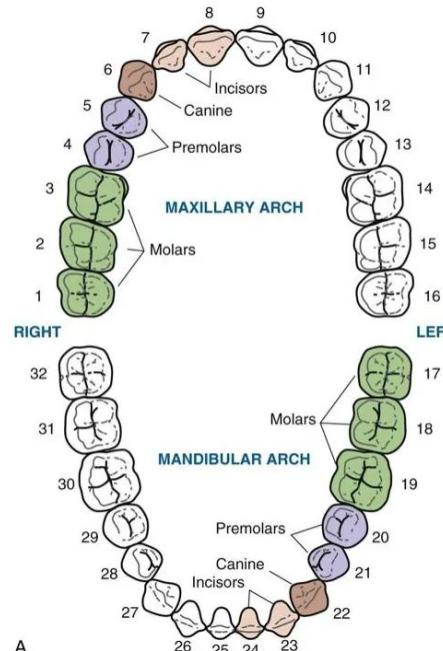
Building a model with YOLOv5 for tooth detection

- Utilized **transfer learning** for our model's initial weights
- Given x-ray masks, extracted bounding boxes and converted to YOLO label format
 - **YOLO labels must be normalized**
- **Images normalized** for corresponding YOLO labels

YOLO: You Only Look Once



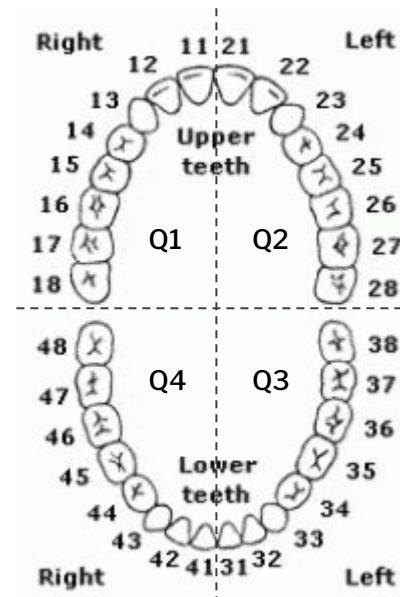
The model was further improved to classify tooth type as well as tooth detection



- Classified through detections of the tooth detection model
- Data is automatically assigned to one of four tooth types (classes)
- Fine-tuned through hyper-parameter evolution and non-maximum suppression

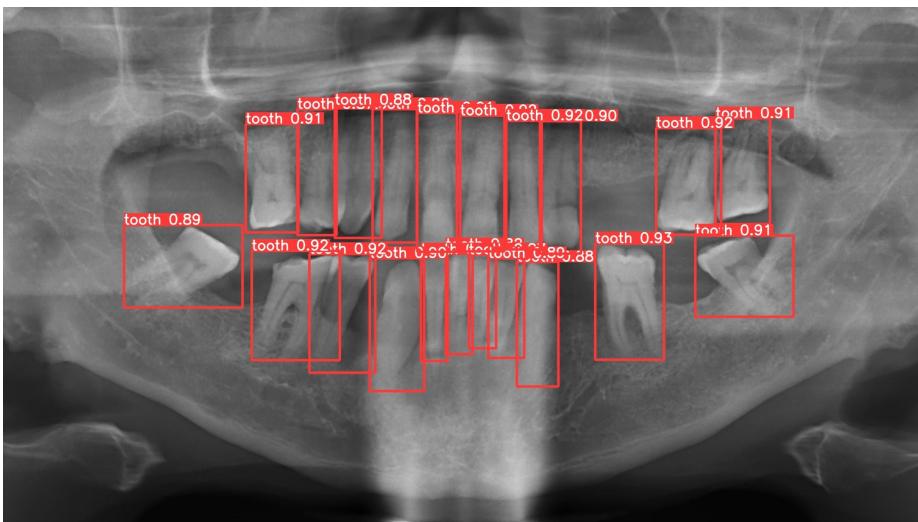
We tested three different algorithms to apply tooth numbering and identify missing teeth

- Maximum Numbering:
 - Rule-based numbering using information about quadrant and tooth type
- Bayesian Neural Network:
 - Use X-Y coordinates of teeth to train network to estimate location on new x-rays
- Minimum Euclidean Distance:
 - Calculate minimum distance between bounding boxes to estimate tooth numbers



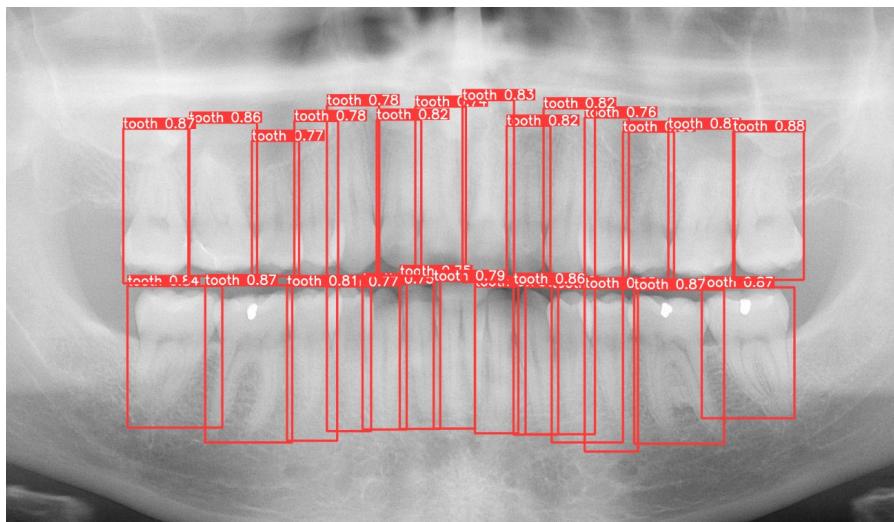
The first model detected all tooth instances with varying degrees of confidence score

Good image quality



Average confidence = 89.7%

Low image quality

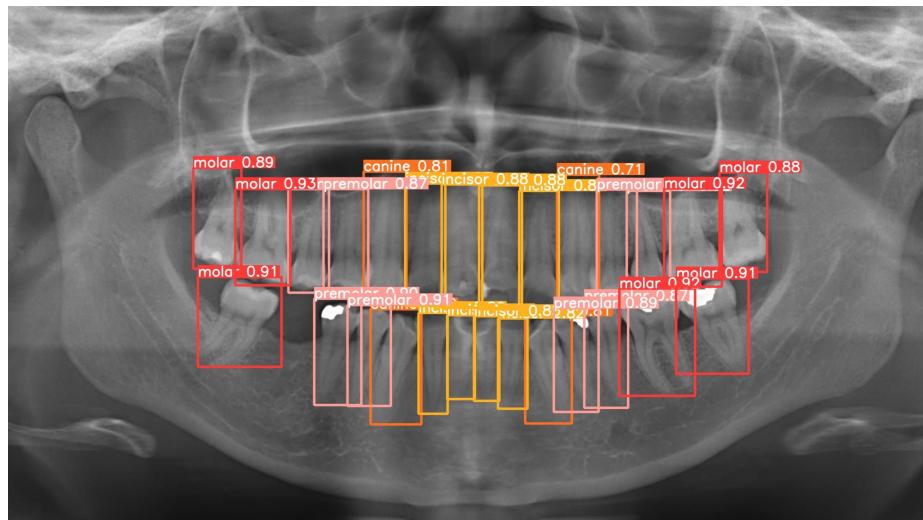


Average confidence = 80.4%

Confident = intersection over union (IOU) between predicted box and the ground truth

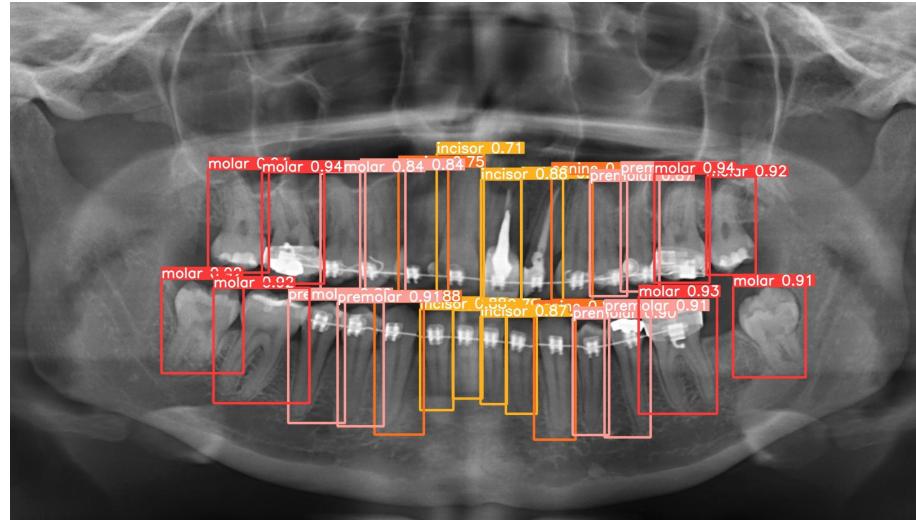
The second model was able to consistently detect and classify all teeth according to tooth type

With dental restoration and missing teeth



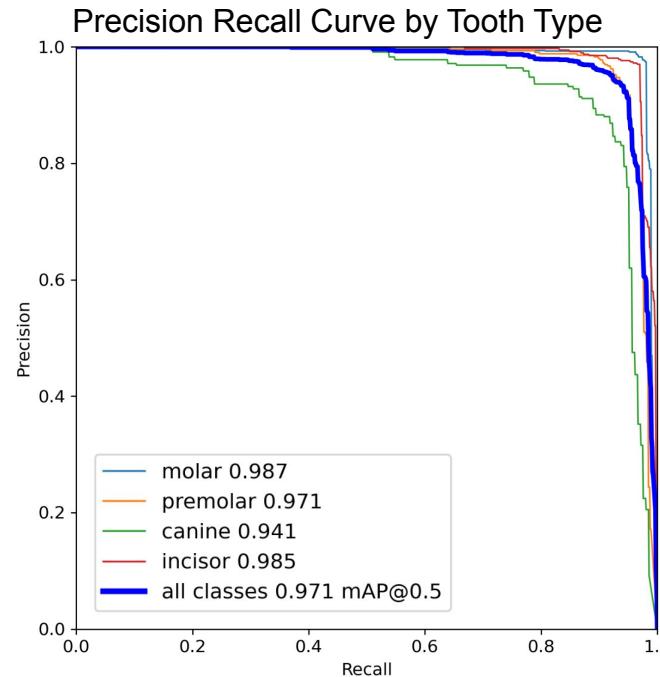
Average confidence = 86.5%

With dental appliance



Average confidence = 87.3%

The model performed strongly for identifying all four tooth types



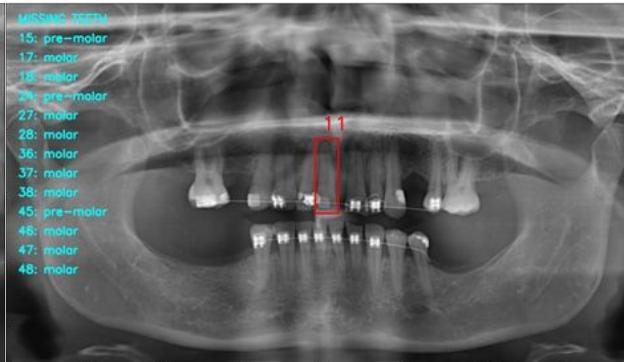
The maximum numbering model performed the best for tooth labelling and missing tooth identification

- Maximum Numbering - 91.5% accuracy
- Bayesian Neural Network - 73% accuracy
- Minimum Euclidean Distance - 65% accuracy

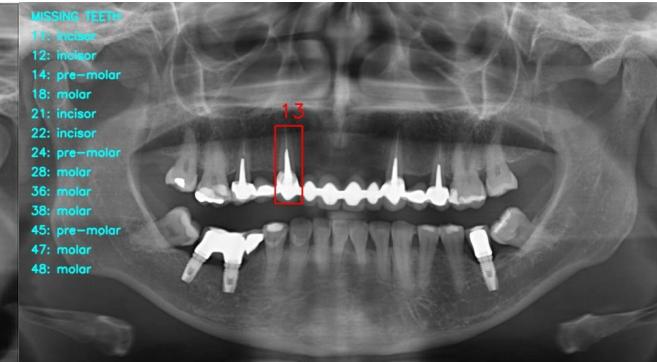
All 32 teeth present



Missing teeth + Dental appliance



Missing teeth + Implants and Restorations



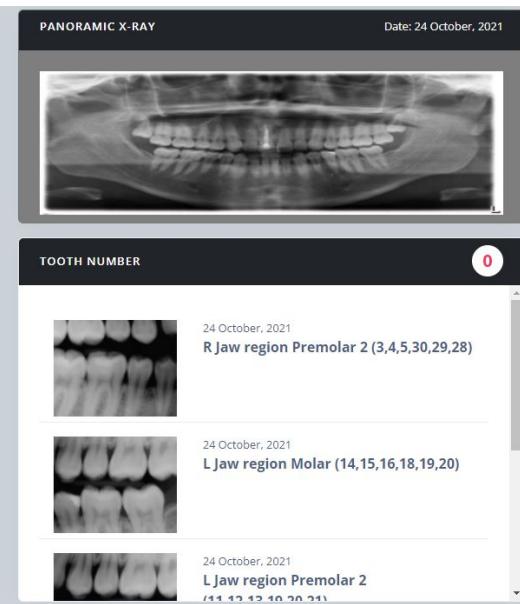
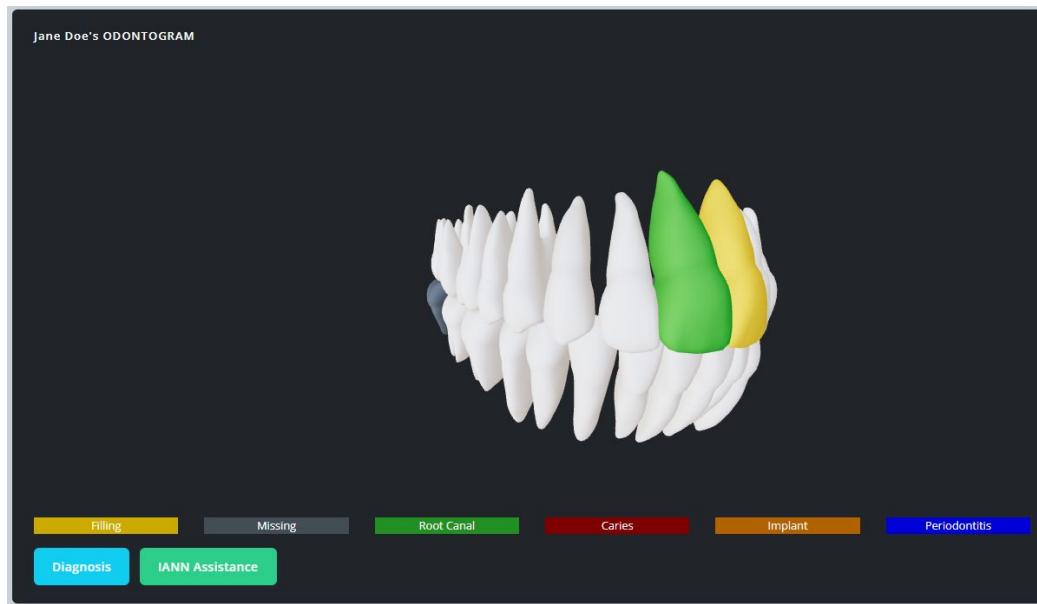
Our model could be expanded to include labelling bitewing x-ray images

Bitewing X-ray Image Showing Molars and Premolars on the Left Side of the Mouth



- Bitewing dental x-ray images offer a **clearer view of specific teeth** that can lead to early problem detection
- This can be **combined with panoramic images** to improve detection of tooth type and location information

Our methodology enabled IANN to conduct further research into dental AI



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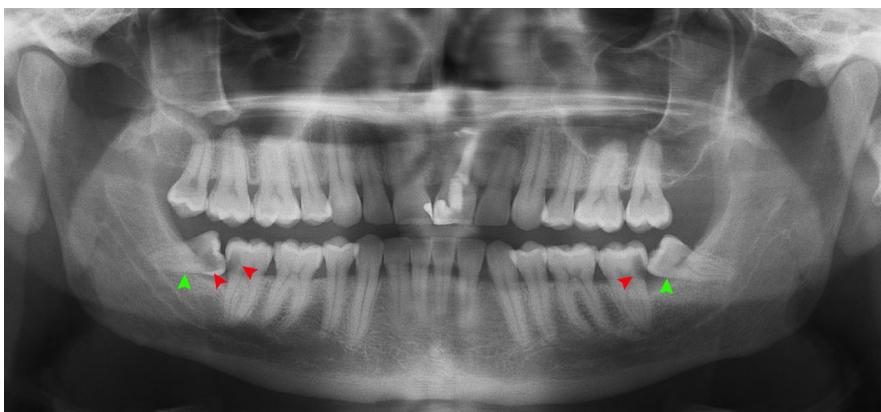
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Questions?

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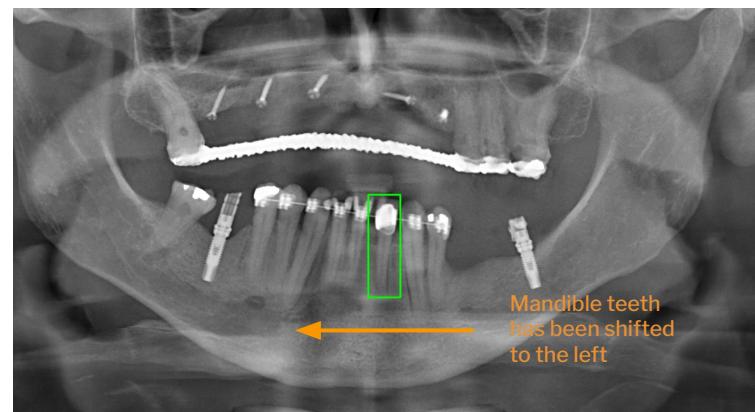
The value of instance segmentation of teeth

Collision



Identify tooth collision and misoriented wisdom teeth

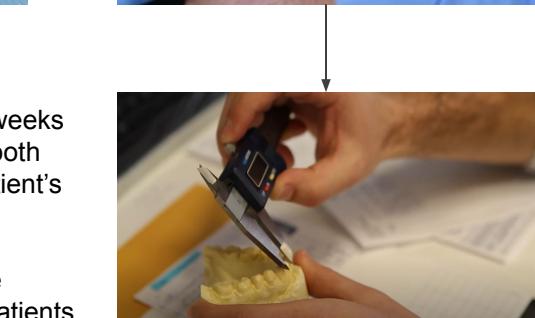
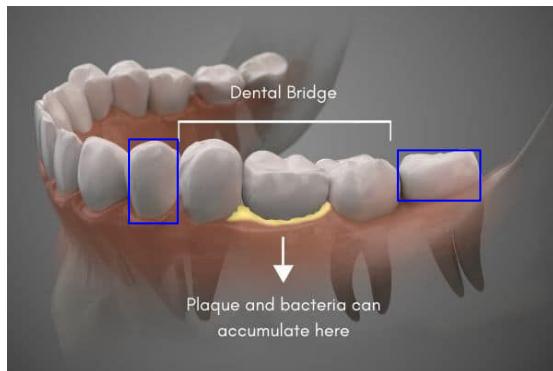
Orthodontics



Automatically detect orthodontics and identify the shifting and the missing teeth

Dental AI in fixed partial denture procedures

Fixed Partial Denture (Bridge)



Tradition approach:

1. Takes at least 2 weeks to measure the tooth distance after patient's first dental visit
2. Requires multiple dental visits for patients

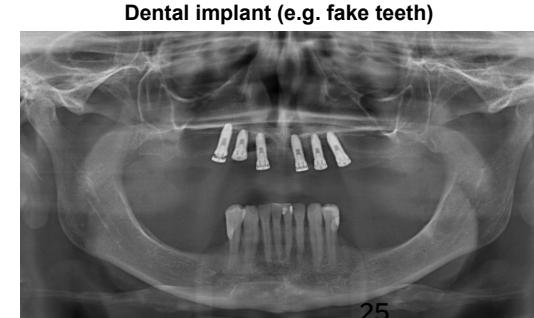
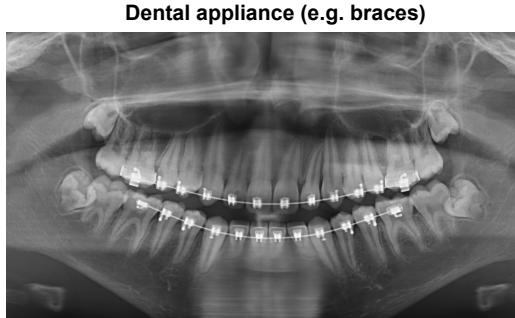
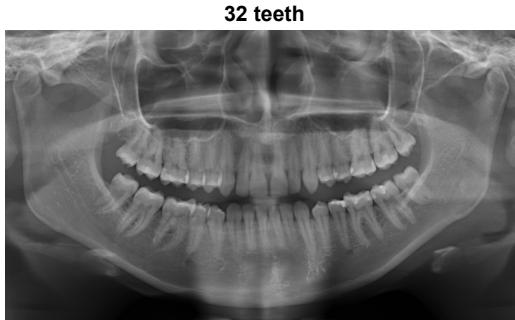
Deep Learning Approach:

1. Provides instant results for dentist
2. Reduces clinical visits for patients
3. Cheaper in labor and medical supply cost

UFBA-UESC Dental Images dataset categories

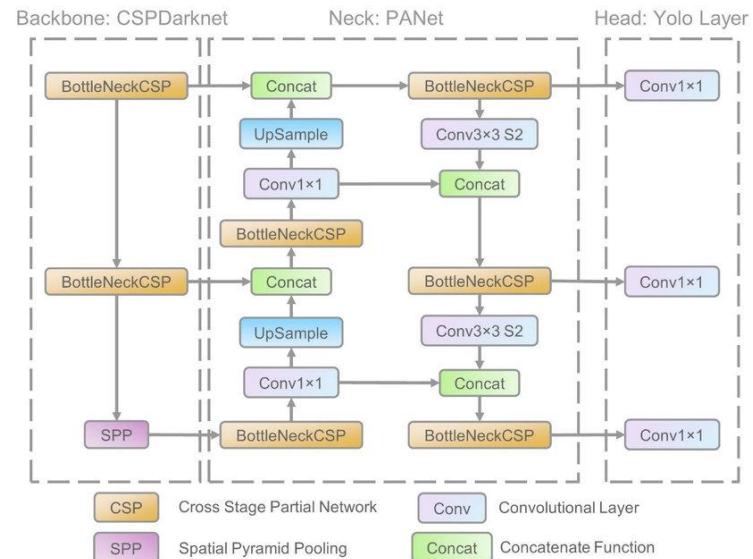
Category	Description	Number of Images	Average Number of Teeth
1	Images with all the teeth, containing teeth with restoration and with dental appliance	73	32
2	Images with all the teeth, containing teeth with restoration and without dental appliance	220	32
3	Images with all the teeth, containing teeth without restoration and with dental appliance	45	32
4	Images with all the teeth, containing teeth without restoration and without dental appliance	140	32
5	Images containing dental implant	120	18
6	Images containing more than 32 teeth	170	37
7	Images missing teeth, containing teeth with restoration and dental appliance	115	27
8	Images missing teeth, containing teeth with restoration and without dental appliance	457	29
9	Images missing teeth, containing teeth without restoration and with dental appliance	45	28
10	Images missing teeth, containing teeth without restoration and without dental appliance	115	28

The UFBA-UESC Dental Images dataset was subdivided into ten different categories



Convolutional Neural Network Framework (YOLOv5)

- 3 main foundations in the framework
 - Feature extraction
 - Generate feature pyramids network to perform aggregation on the features
 - Generate predictions from the anchor boxes for object detection
- 2 choices for training
 - Activation and optimization
 - Loss function



Tooth detecting and type classification - double bounding box

Double bounding box - before non-maximum suppression is applied

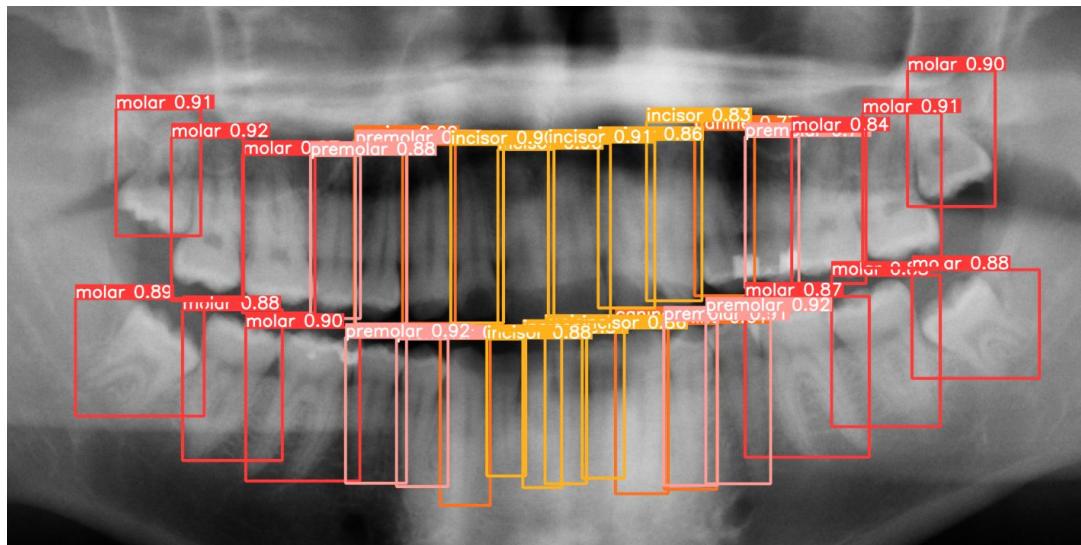
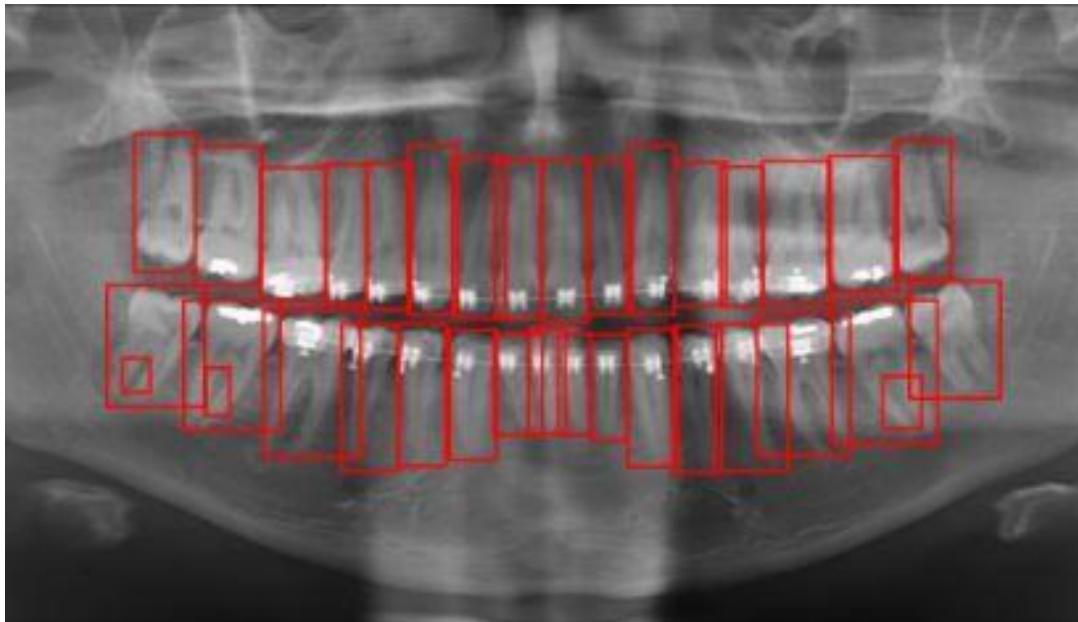


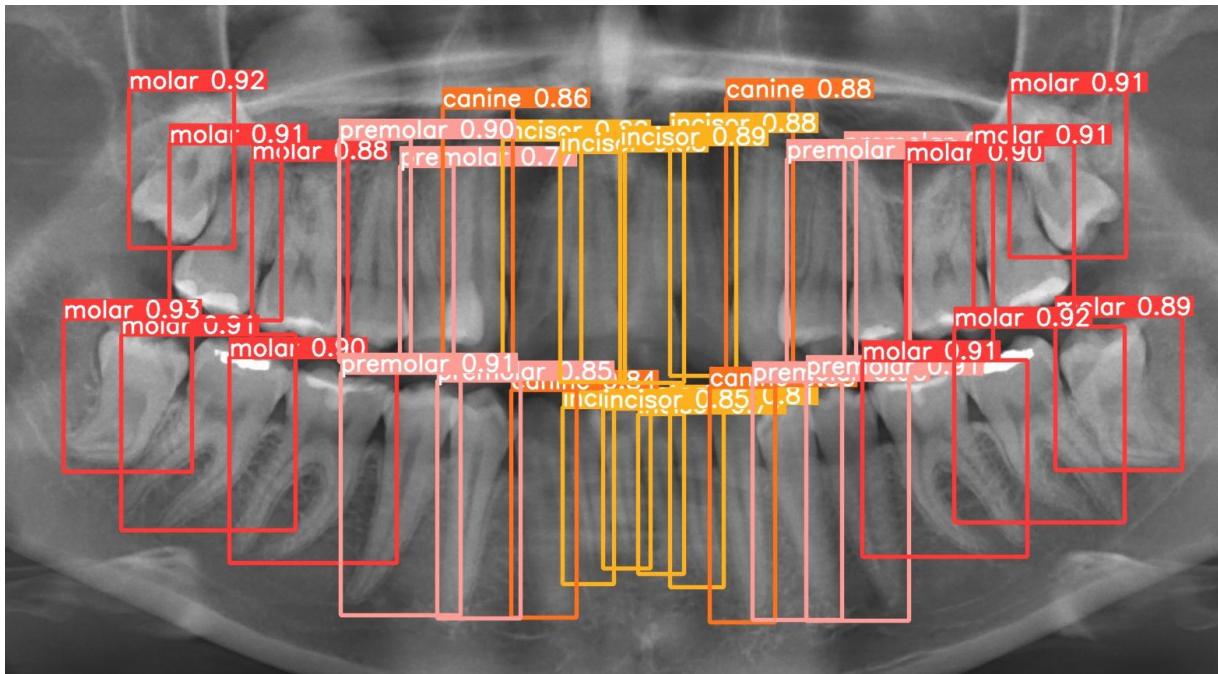
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Mask R-CNN

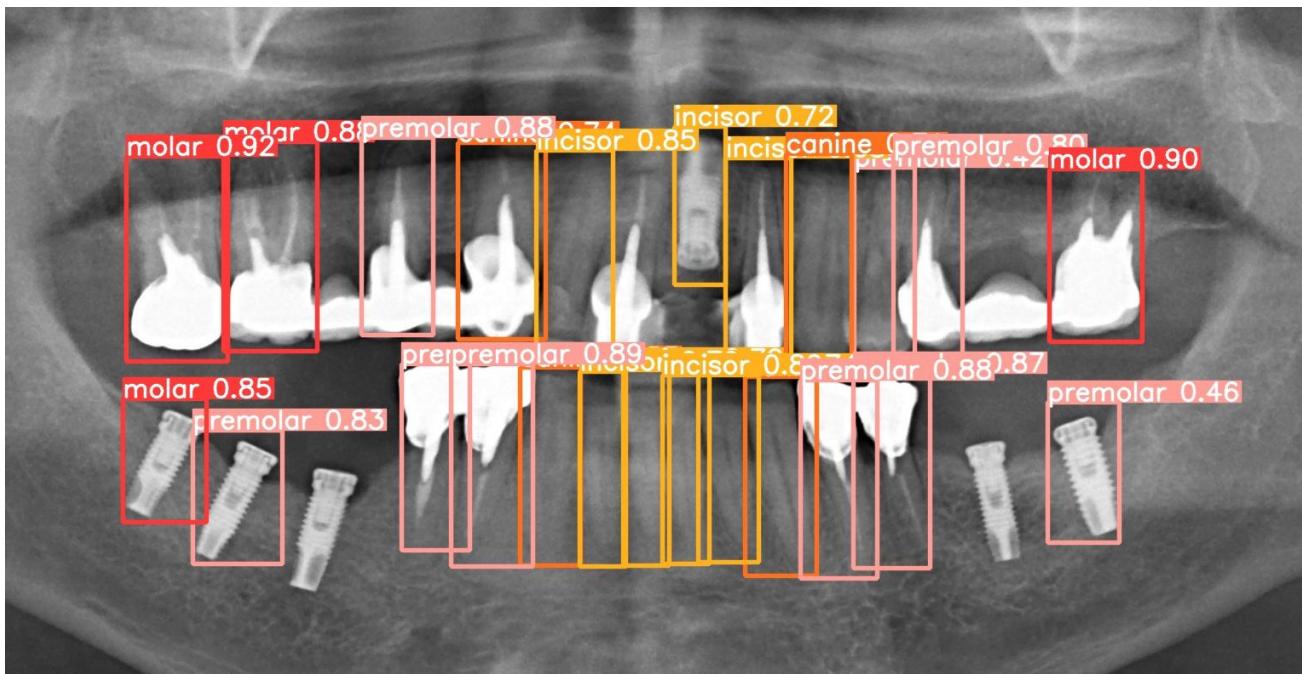
Mask R-CNN Segmented X-ray with Incorrect Bounding Boxes



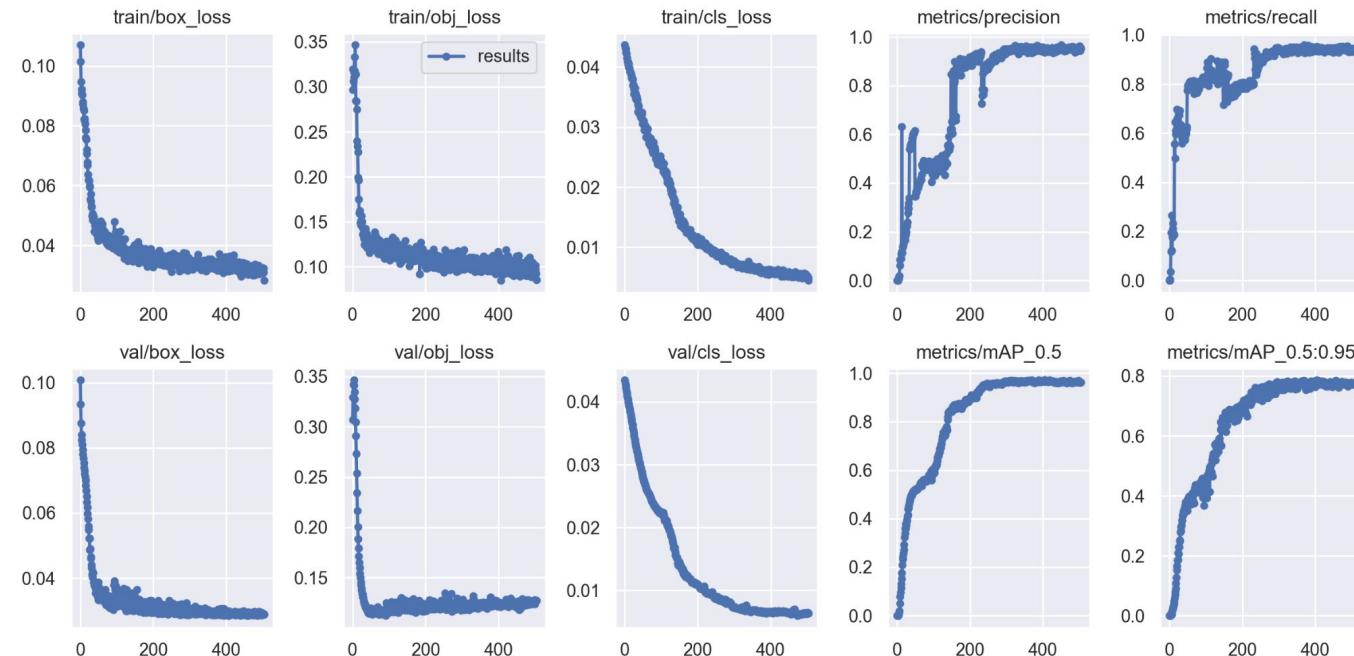
“Perfect” tooth detection and classification



False tooth detection and classification (detecting implant as tooth)



Tooth classification model results



The final model was integrated with Flask to produce a GUI that can input a dental x-ray and return it labelled



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Github link

<https://github.com/joechudzik/IANN-image-segmentation>

Potential questions from judges

1. How did we get the original bounding boxes that we used to train YOLOv5?
2. How did we get the original trained weights to train YOLOv5?
3. How does the model perform on a bad x-ray vs a good x-ray?
4. Why four classes, not 32 classes?
5. What was the major bottleneck/roadblock to achieve this outcome?
6. How generalizable is your model to different regions in the world
7. What is hyperparameter evolution and non-maximum suppression?
8. How do you measure numbering accuracies?
9. Why did the other 2 approaches not work while rule based worked?
10. What more can be accomplished if you had more time for this project?