

Brain Tumor Classification

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Project Introduction

- Goal: To train a deep neural network (DNN) model for classification of brain tumor MRI scans.
- Data Source: Kaggle
- Application: When provided with an unlabeled brain MRI scan, the model will show us an accurate prediction of the tumor type

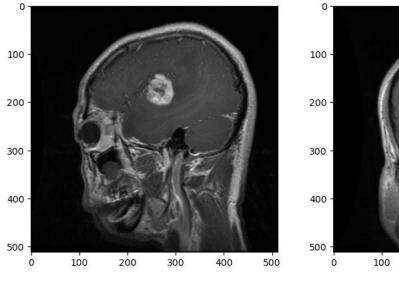
Methodology

- 1. Given an image apply the sublevel set filtration
- 2. Divide each image into slices
 - a. For each MRI image divide the image into horizontal and vertical slices of equal size
- Compute corresponding persistence diagrams in 0 and
 1-dimensional homologies
- Compute corresponding persistence landscapes in 1-dimensional homology
- 5. Compute mean persistent landscape for each MRI image
- 6. Train a MLPClassifier DNN using the mean landscapes as the training input

Sublevel Filtration

- Form a simplicial complex *K* from each image
 - Assign a vertex to each pixel, form 1-simplices if two pixels are adjacent, and form 2-simplices if three pixels are mutually adjacent
- Filtration on *K*
 - \circ Let V be the set of vertices of K and $f:V\to\mathbb{R}$ be the pixel intensity.
 - \circ Let f_{min} , f_{max} denote the minimum and maximum values of f.
 - \circ Let $i_1 < i_2 < \cdots <$ be an increasing sequence of positive real numbers.
 - \circ Let $K_i = \{S \in K : \forall v \in S, f(v) \leq i\}$. Then the sequence of subcomplexes $K_{fmin} \subseteq K_{fmin+i_1} \subseteq K_{fmin+i_2} \cdots \subseteq K_{fmax} = K$ is a filtration of K

MRI Scans

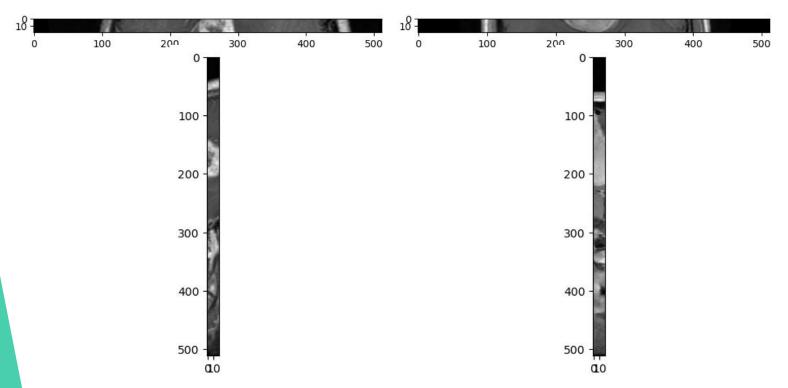


Glioma Tumor

100 200 300 400 500 0 100 200 300 400 500

Meningioma Tumor

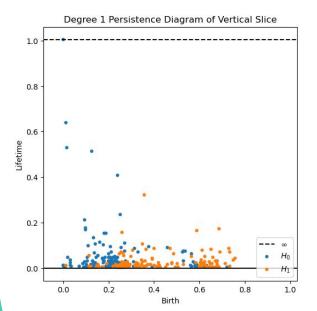
Slices



Glioma horizontal and vertical slice

Meningioma horizontal and vertical slice

Persistence Diagrams

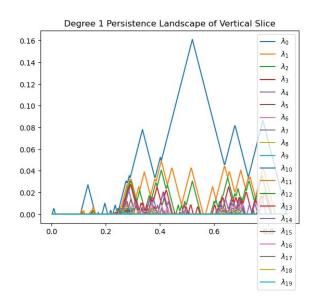


Degree 1 Persistence Diagram of Vertical Slice 0.8 0.6 Lifetime 0.4 0.2 0.0 0.2 0.6 0.8

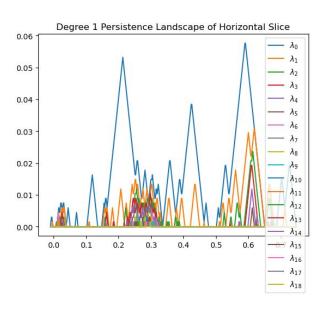
Glioma Persistence Diagram of a vertical slice

Meningioma Persistence Landscape of a vertical slice

Persistence Landscapes

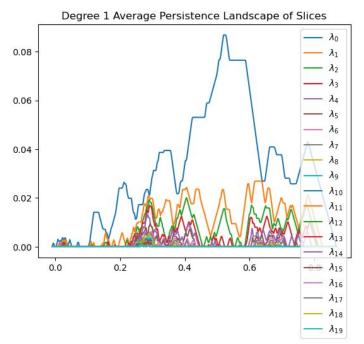


Glioma Persistence Landscape of a vertical slice

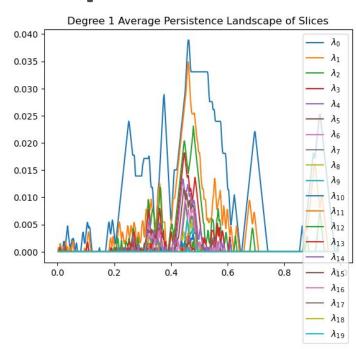


Glioma Persistence Landscape of a horizontal slice

Mean Persistence Landscape



Glioma Mean Persistence Landscape



Meningioma Mean Persistence Landscape

DNN Model Structure

- Used MLPClassifier from sklearn
- Model has 11 hidden layers
 - 5 layers of size 256, 4 layers of size 128, and 2 layers of size 64
- Constant learning rate = 0.001
- ReLU activation Function
- Adam Optimizer
- Used 600 training images (150 images from each tumor type), and 120 testing images (30 images from each tumor type)
 - Used limited training and testing data due to hardware constraints

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* MLPClassifier

MLPClassifier(hidden_layer_sizes=(256, 256, 256, 256, 256, 128, 128, 128, 64, 64),

random_state=1)
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Model Results

Best Classifier Score of roughly 76%

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clf = MLPClassifier(hidden_layer_sizes=(256,256,256,256,256,128,128,128,128,64,64), learning_rate = 'adaptive', random_state=1)
y_test = test_data_labels
y_pred=clf.predict(X_testscaled)
print(clf.score(X_testscaled, test_data_labels))
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0.75833333333333333

Conclusion & Reflection

- What we achieved:
 - Best optimizer found to be Adam, best activation function found to be ReLU.
 - Training accuracy of 76%
- What we can improve on:
 - We have yet to find a suitable DNN to train our features on.
 - Best accuracy found by trial and error, modifying the hidden layer sizes,
 learning rate type, optimizer, and activation function.
 - We also hope to be able to train with more data for an overall better accuracy.

Thanks!