

# Covid-19 X-ray Image Classification

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## ABSTRACT

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

As part of graduate course Deep learning for healthcare, we have decided to reproduce and improve current research on COVID-19 classification using X-ray.

## 2. MOTIVATION

COVID-19 pandemic has ravaged the world on an unprecedented scale. It has caused loss of millions of lives and long lasting damages on surviving patients. X-ray imaging is very important part of diagnosis of Covid-19 and other pneumonia and is often the first-line diagnosis in many cases. Using deep learning for X-ray classification is an ongoing research area. We have taken this paper to strengthen our understanding of deep learning models and improve the current research.

## 3. LITERATURE SURVEY

### 3.1 COVID-19 classification using chest CT

X. Bai and Wang were able to create an AI system that could differentiate COVID-19 and other pneumonia using a chest CT scan. They approached this as a classification problem and used the EfficientNet B4 architecture which was a CNN based network. They were able to achieve results of 96% accuracy, 95% sensitivity, 96% specificity, and an area under receiver operating characteristic curve of 0.95 and an area under the precision recall curve of 0.90. When compared with radiologists on the same test dataset, the AI system performed better. This study concluded that the AI can support radiologists in detection of Covid 19 in Chest CT images.

### 3.2 Focal loss for dense object detection

Lin T, Goyal P, Girshick R propose Focal loss, a modification to the standard cross entropy criterion that focuses weights for loss on hard examples versus well classified examples. This is accomplished by adding a factor  $(1 - p_t)^\gamma$  to the standard cross entropy criterion where setting  $\gamma > 0$  reduces the relative loss for well-classified examples ( $p_t > .5$ ). This results in achieving higher accuracy than using the standard cross entropy loss and surpassed speed and accuracy when

compared with state of the art two stage detectors; Faster R CNN Variants.

### 3.3 Towards contactless patient positioning

This paper discussed about patient positioning routine that comprised a novel robust dynamic fusion (RDF) algorithm for accurate 3D patient body modeling. With ‘multi-modal’ inference capability, RDF can be trained once and used across different applications (without re-training). They have used multiple CNN branches to learn the joint feature representation and a fully-connected parameter regressor module to estimate the 3D mesh parameters.

### 3.4 Deep learning COVID-19 features on CXR using limited training data sets

The authors of this paper, proposed a patch-based convolutional neural network approach with a relatively small number of trainable parameters for Covid-19 diagnosis. The architecture contains first pre-processed data that are fed into a segmentation network [FC-DenseNet] to extract lung areas. From this segmented lung area, classification network is used to classify the corresponding diseases using a patch-by-patch training and inferences [ResNet-18 (pre-trained) and many ResNet-18 models are used for K patches], final decision is made based on the majority voting from previous layers. A Grad-CAM saliency map is calculated to provide an interpretable result. This method has an accuracy of 91.9%, compared to that of 92.4% for COVID-Net.

### 3.5 COVID19-Net Deep Convolutional Neural Network

This is the first open source network design for COVID-19 detection from CXR images, our final research paper also considers this as its baseline for experiments. This paper considered COVIDx dataset which contains 13,975 CXR images for training and experiments. COVID-Net architecture makes heavy use of a lightweight residual ‘projection expansion projection extension’ (PPEX) design pattern that contains multiple levels of convolution layers with fully connected layers and a softmax at the end. COVID-Net achieved higher test accuracy than other architectures such as VGG-19 and ResNet-50.

### 3.6 Noise-robust segmentation of COVID-19 from CT images

This is a CNN model developed to be effective with detection of COVID-19 lesions from CT images that have a lot of noise. This paper discusses how Wang et al devel-

oped a novel noise-robust learning framework based on self-ensembling of CNNs. To better deal with the complex lesions, a novel COVID-19 Pneumonia Lesion segmentation network (COPLE-Net) was proposed that uses a combination of max-pooling and average pooling to reduce information loss during downsampling, and employs bridge layers to alleviate the semantic gap between features in the encoder and decoder. Experimental results with CT images of 558 COVID-19 patients showed the effectiveness of the noise-robust Dice loss function, COPLE-Net and adaptive self-ensembling in learning from noisy labels for COVID-19 pneumonia lesion segmentation. To make the training process robust against noisy labels, a novel noise-robust Dice loss function was proposed and integrated into a self-ensembling framework, where an adaptive teacher and an adaptive student are introduced to further improve the performance in dealing with noisy labels. The experiments used 2D CNNs for slice-by-slice segmentation, and implemented COPLE-Net, 1 LNR-Dice and the adaptive self-ensembling framework in Pytorch with the PyMIC 3 library on a Ubuntu desktop with an NVIDIA GTX 1080 Ti GPU. The proposed COPLE-Net was compared with four state-of-the-art networks for semantic or medical image segmentation

1. 3D nnU-Net that is extended from 3D U-Net
2. Attention U-Net 3) ScSE U-Net
3. ESPNetv2 and proven to be most effective with noisy images.

In addition, COPLE-Net was compared with three variants: COPLE-Net (-A), COPLE-Net (-D) and COPLE-Net (-B)

### 3.7 Data

The following datasets that we are considering for this project:

1. Covid Chest X-ray (CCX) dataset: This dataset contains COVID-19 pneumonia images as well few X-ray images from other classes. The dataset can be obtained from github at this link <https://github.com/ieee8023/covid-chestxray-dataset>
2. Kaggle Chest X-ray (KCX) dataset: This dataset contains normal, bacterial pneumonia, and nov-COVID-19 viral pneumonia. The dataset can be obtained from Kaggle at this link <https://www.kaggle.com/paultimothymooney/chest-xray-pneumonia>

In the FLANNEL paper, 5508 chest x-ray images across 2874 independent patient cases. Both dataset contains anteroposterior (AP) and posteroanterior (PA) view.

As done in the research paper, we will include both AP and PA views. Due to AP and PA views being different types of X-ray images, horizontal flips and random noise will be used to convert PA into AP view.

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| $\pi$               | 1 in 5      | Common in math    |
| \$                  | 4 in 5      | Used in business  |
| $\Psi_1^2$          | 1 in 40,000 | Unexplained usage |

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**THEOREM 1.** *Let  $f$  be continuous on  $[a, b]$ . If  $G$  is an antiderivative for  $f$  on  $[a, b]$ , then*

$$\int_a^b f(t)dt = G(b) - G(a).$$

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**Definition 1.** If  $z$  is irrational, then by  $e^z$  we mean the unique number which has logarithm  $z$ :

$$\log_e^z = z$$

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**PROOF.** Suppose on the contrary there exists a real number  $L$  such that

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = L.$$

Then

$$l = \lim_{x \rightarrow c} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow c} \left[ g(x) \cdot \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} \right] = \lim_{x \rightarrow c} g(x) \cdot \lim_{x \rightarrow c} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = 0 \cdot L = 0,$$

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| <code>\numberofauthors</code> | 200      | Author enumeration |
| <code>\table</code>           | 300      | For tables         |
| <code>\table*</code>          | 400      | For wider tables   |

which contradicts our assumption that  $l \neq 0$ .  $\square$

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## 4. EXPERIMENTAL SETUP

AWS (custom cluster/SageMaker) pandas Pytorch

## 5. CONCLUSIONS

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