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Medical image segmentation for Prostate cancer

Problem statement

Diagnosis of Prostate cancer suffers from significant inter-observer variability between pathologists, limiting its usefulness for individual patients. Accurately detecting PCa on images of prostate tissue samples is very important for patients to avoid risk of missing cancers or unnecessary treatment.

In this project, I will create a pixel-wise mask of each object in the images to segmentation of PCa structures. In other word we want to identify the location and sizes of different Pca in the biopsies

Data

Data:Kaggle

https://www.kaggle.com/c/prostate-cancer-grade-assessment/data The dataset includes the original image, mask and csv files.

Almost each image has an associated mask with label information, which indicate which parts of tissue are healthy or cancerous, that will help on localization of samples. The mask values has two data provider: Radboud; Karolinsk.

Image Visualization

Radboud: Prostate glands are individually labelled, Valid values are:

0: background (non tissue) or unknown

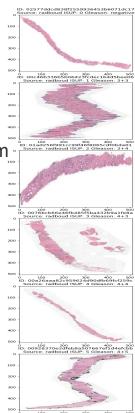
1: stroma (connective tissue, non-epithelium tissue)

2: healthy (benign) epithelium

3: cancerous epithelium (Gleason 3)

4: cancerous epithelium (Gleason 4)

5: cancerous epithelium (Gleason 5)



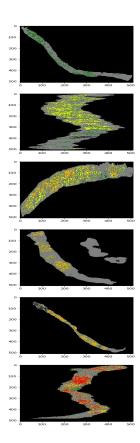


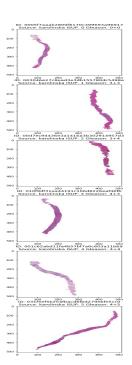
Image Visualization

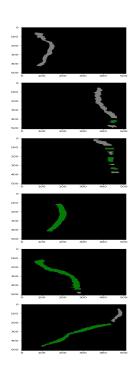
Karolinska: Regions are labelled, Valid values are:

1: background (non tissue) or unknown

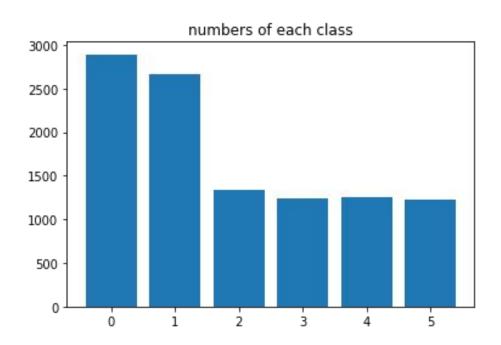
2: benign tissue (stroma and epithelium combined)

3: cancerous tissue (stroma and epithelium combined)





Label Distribution

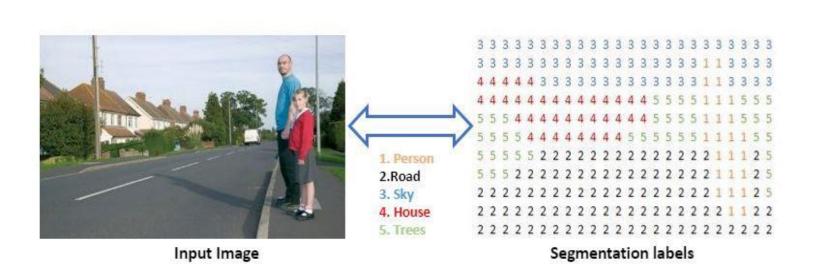


Summary

- Our dataset is a large and unbalanced image dataset,
- It has two different label systems.
- We will use the ranboud center grading system, since it includes extra information on the severity of cancer.
- Unet might be a good semantic segmentation model for this, since it has the advantage of using fewer images to obtain good results
- training the data using the highest level class sample(since those samples most likely include all 6 labels) might be good enough.

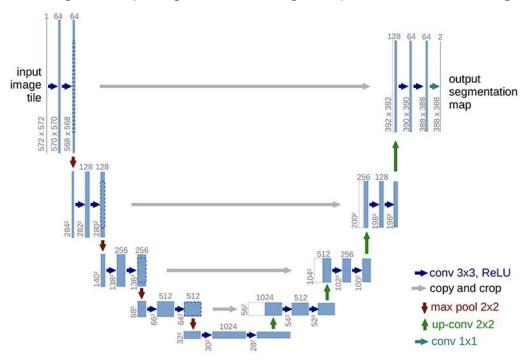
Image Segmentation

label each pixel of an image with a corresponding class of what is being represented



U-net Structure

Advantage of requiring fewer training samples and Precise segmentation

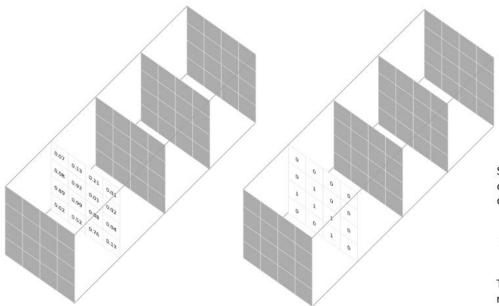


The architecture contains two paths:

Contraction path (encoder) which is used to capture the context in the image.

Symmetric expanding path (decoder) which is used to enable precise localization using transposed convolutions.

Soft Dice Coefficient



Prediction for a selected class

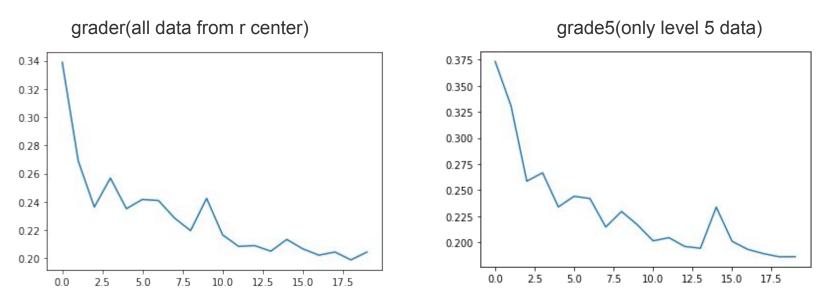
Target for the corresponding class

Soft Dice coefficient is calculated for each class mask

$$1 - \frac{2\sum_{pixels} y_{true} y_{pred}}{\sum_{pixels} y_{true}^2 + \sum_{pixels} y_{pred}^2}$$

This scoring is repeated over all classes and averaged

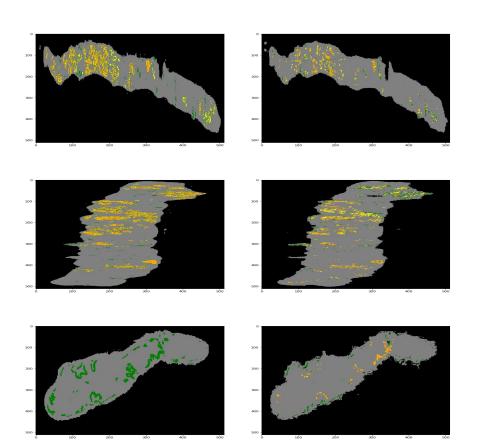
Training Loss plot :dataset grader vs grade5



Both dataset perform quite similar. grader(running_Loss 0.22823013762801225) performing is a little bit better than grade5(0.22823013762801225) for the valid set.

That Is probably because the validate dataset is from the grader testset which is more similar to the grader training set, they has the same distribution.

Visualization : Ground truth vs Model prediction



Final thought:

since we use resized dataset, if we use high resolution data, may get better results