XRAI PIPELINE – THE CREATION OF A CONDITIONALLY ADAPTIVE LOSS FUNCTION FOR MEDICAL SEGMENTATION TASKS

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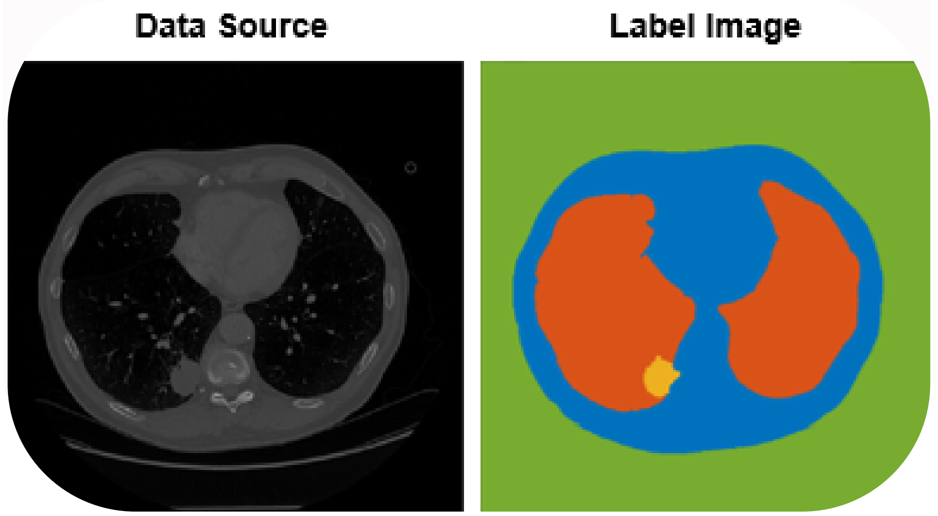
PROBLEM STATEMENT

AI ENROLLMENT IN MEDICAL DOMAIN

MEDICAL SEGMENTATION

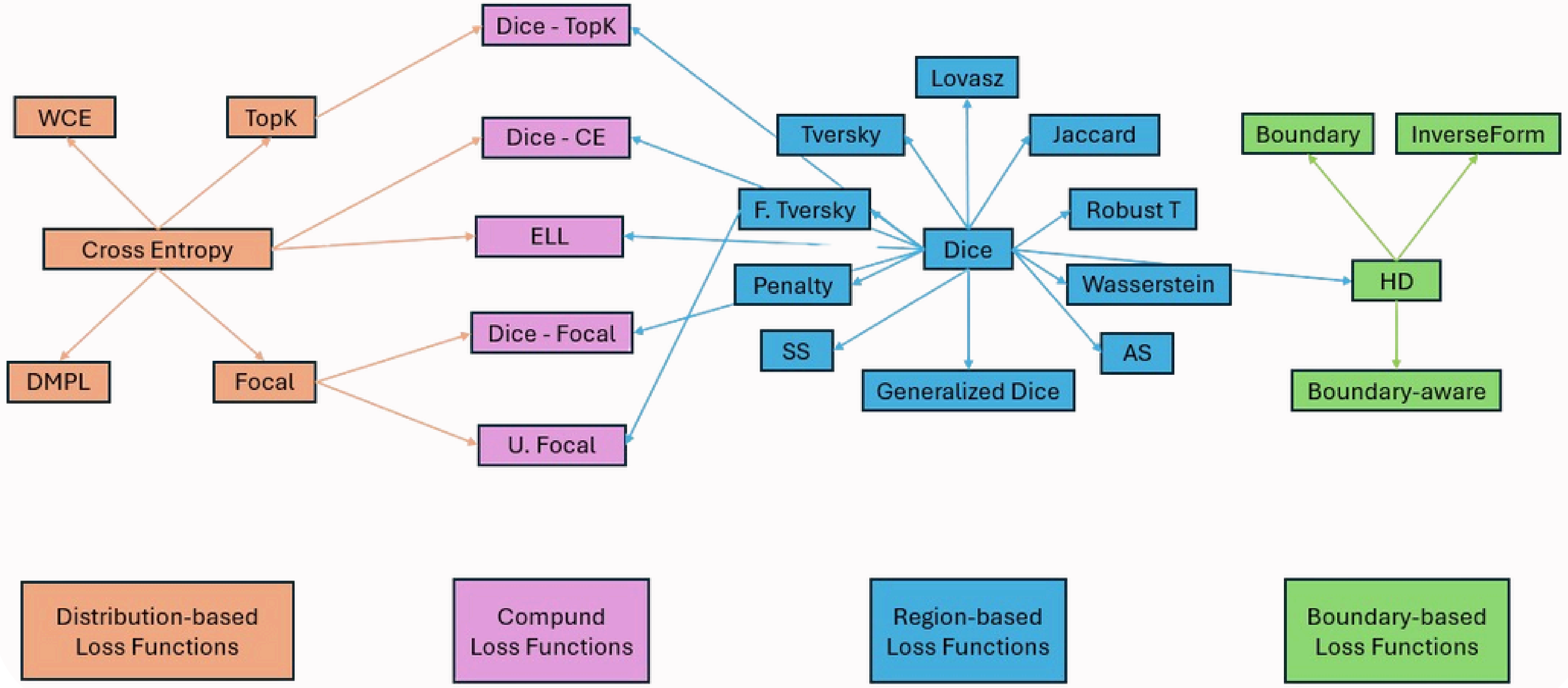


MANUAL SEGMENTATION → TIME CONSUMING

TRAINING DATA → SCARCE, IMBALANCED

ANNOTATIONS → RUSHED, INACCURATE

LOSS FUNCTIONS

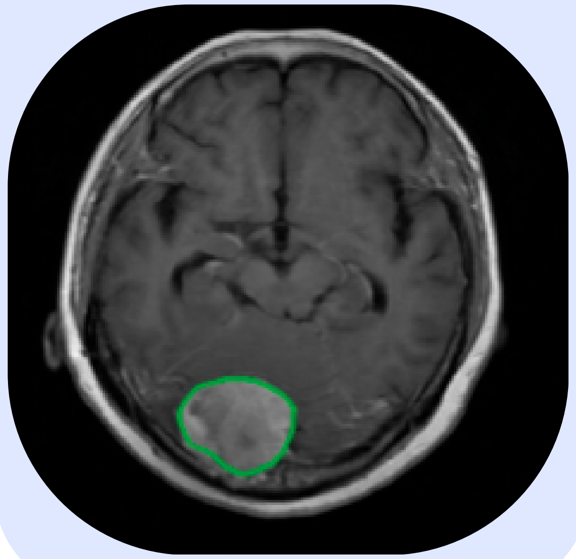


SELECTION OF THE RIGHT LOSS FUNCTION → MIMIC ANNOTATION SHAPE

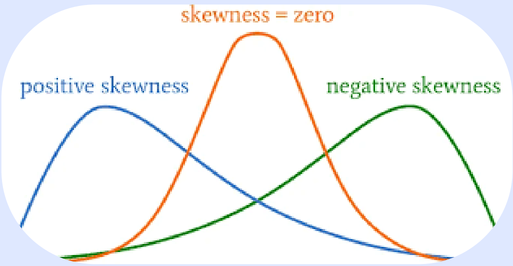
SELECTION OF THE RIGHT LOSS FUNCTION → MANUAL TUNING

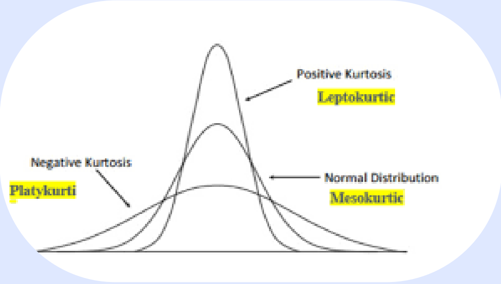
OUR APPROACH: CALF

Calculate Foreground and Background

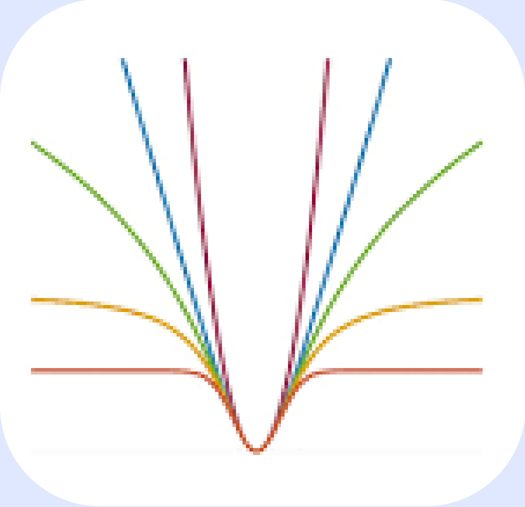


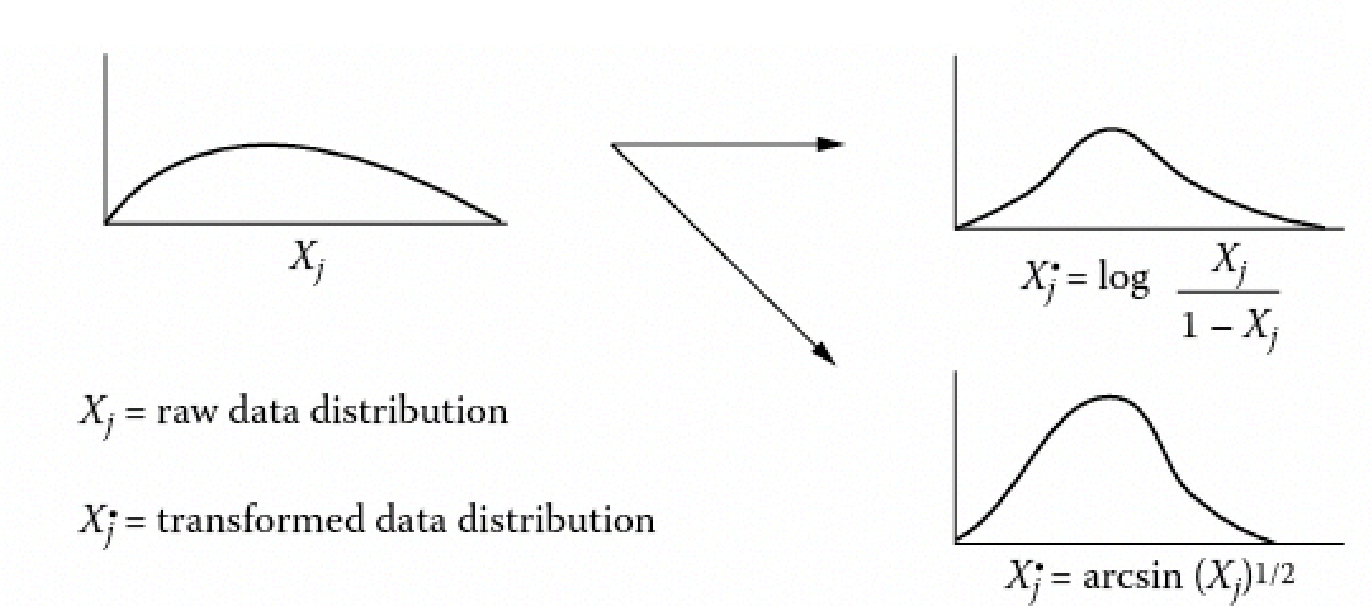
Calculate Statistical Properties

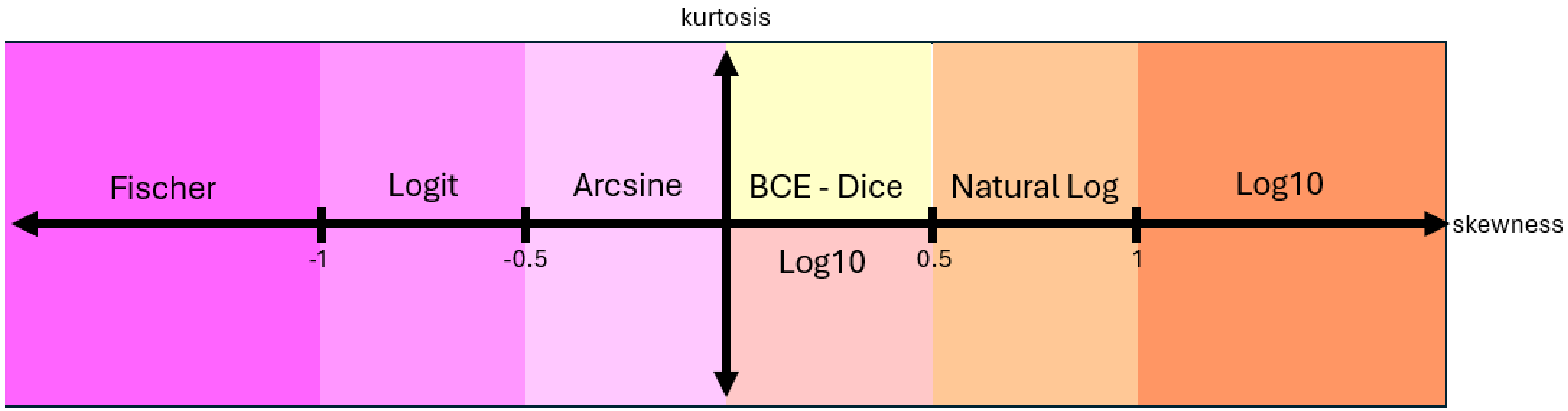


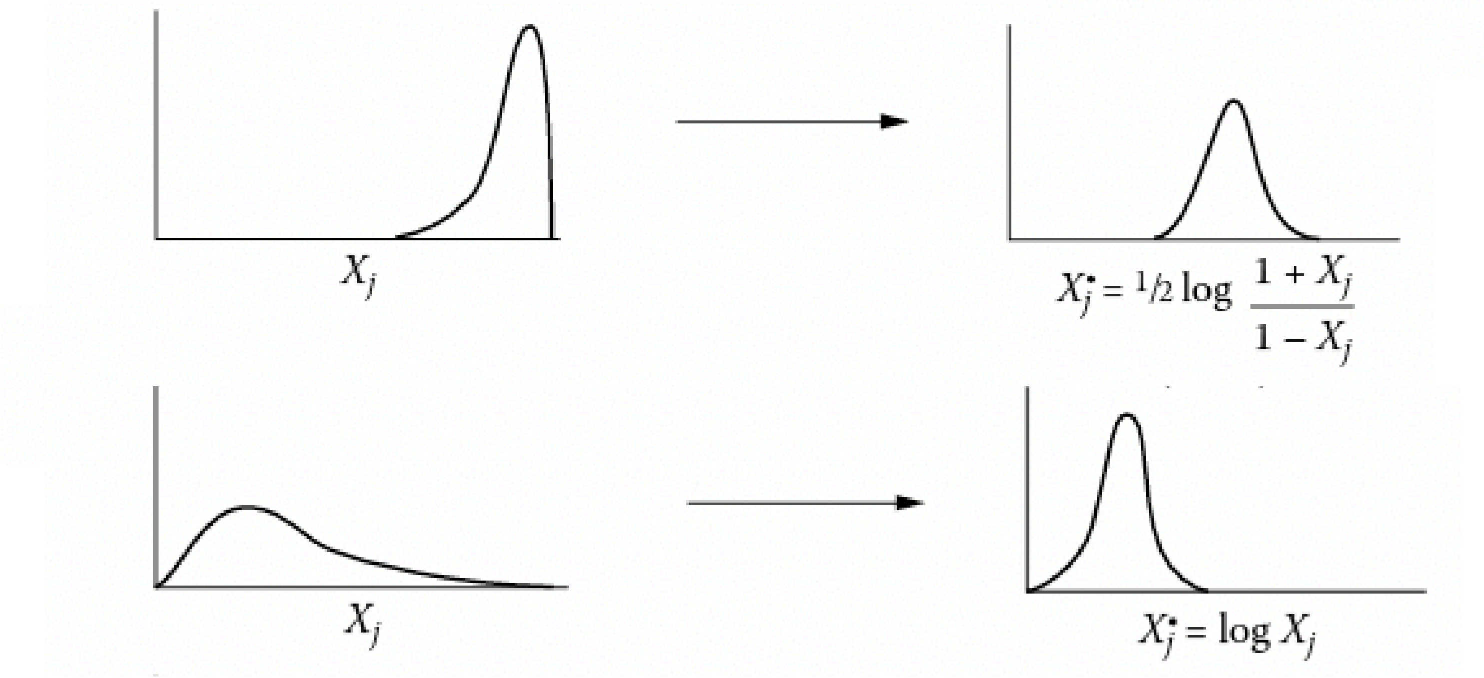


Adaptive Loss Function Based on Distribution









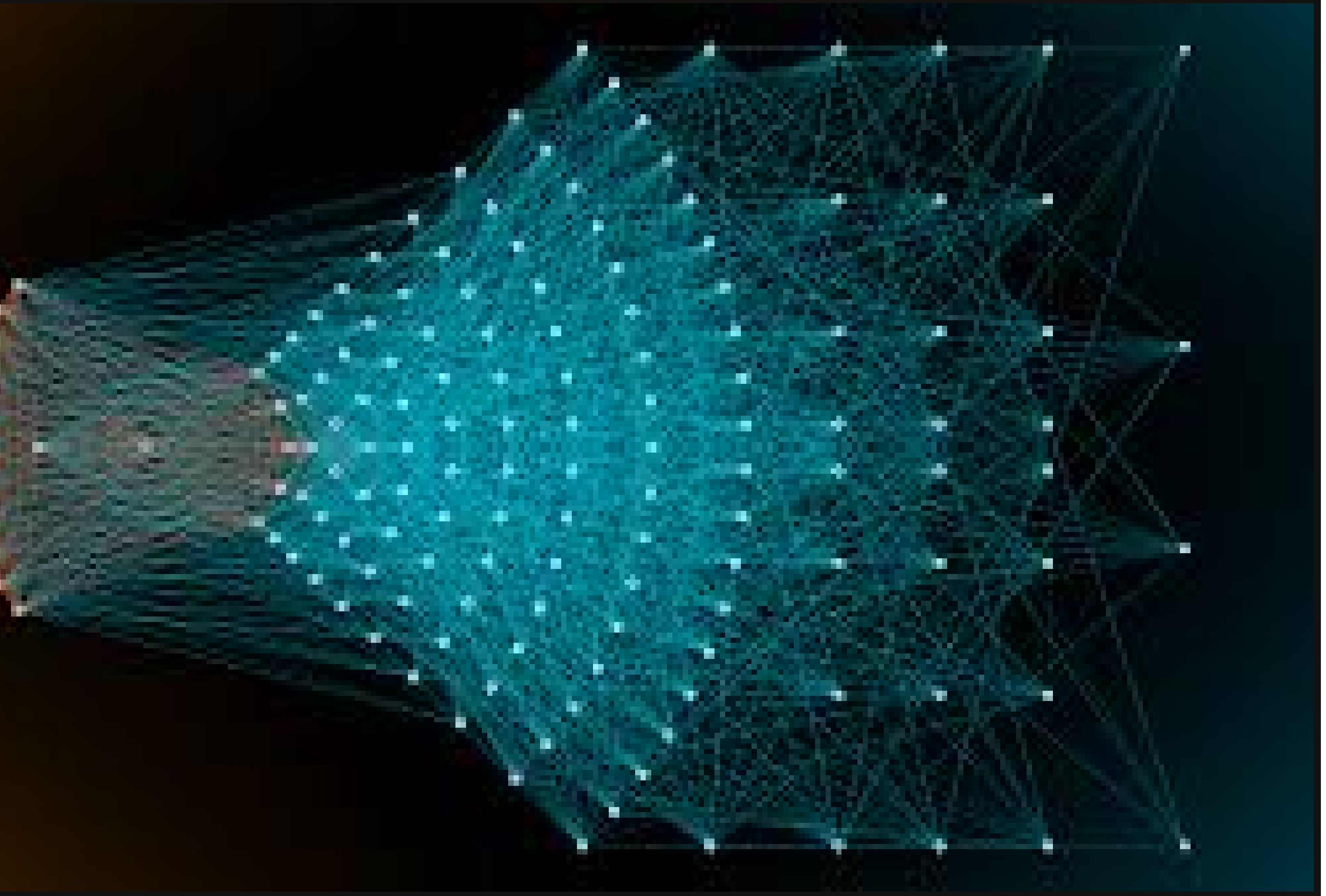
MAIN OBJECTIVE

"***Test our unique adaptive loss function*** *on different* ***deep learning models*** *with the most popular* ***loss functions*** *on* ***MRI brain tumor datasets***"

- ***CT***
- ***Ultrasound***
- ***Histopathology***

- ***liver***
- ***prostate***
- ***lung***

- ***kidney***
- ***ear***
- ***breast***



COMPONENTS OF WORK FLOW

- Datasets
- Loss functions
- Models
- Training pipeline

DATA REPORT (PREVIOUS)

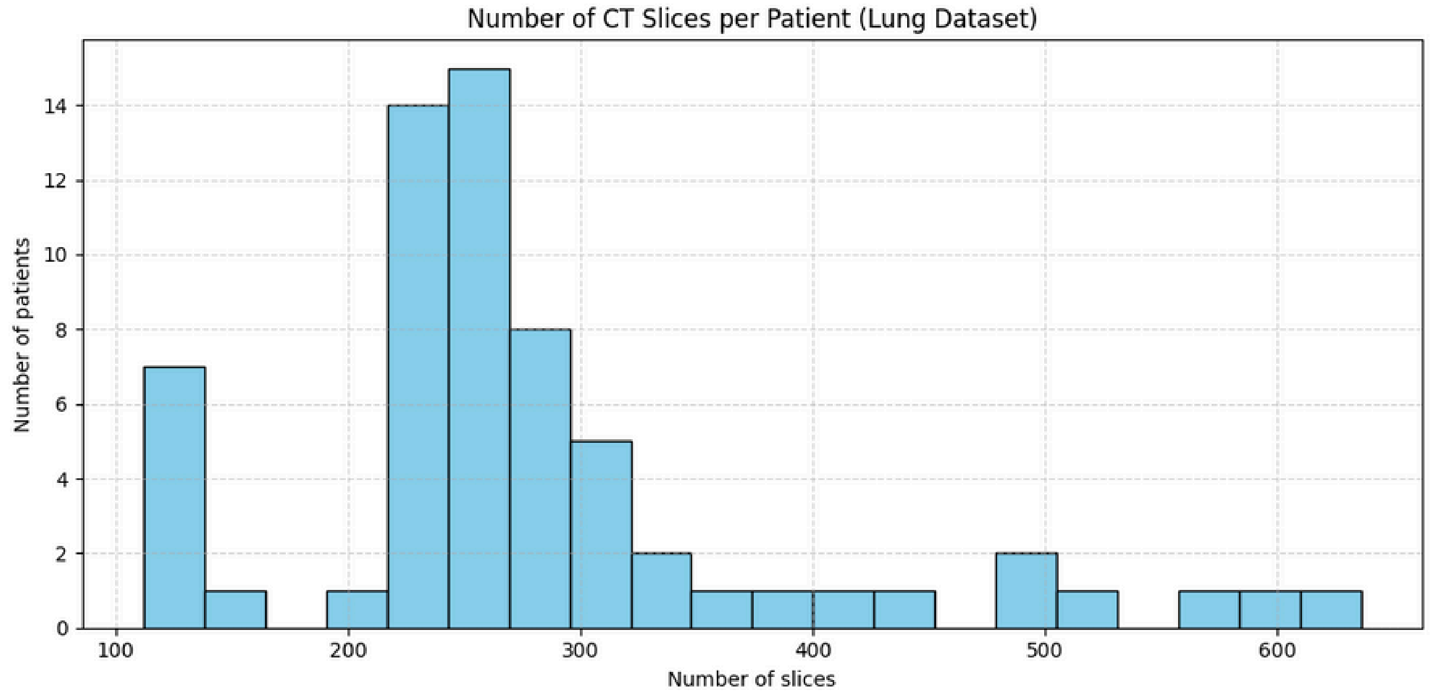
DATASETS (TCIA)	4 (3 PUBLIC AND 1 PRIVATE)
PATIENTS	1410
MEDICAL IMAGE FORMATS	2 TYPES
SCANS	MRI (3 TYPES)
IMAGING PLANES	3 TYPES
SEGMENTATION	BINARY OR GRAYSCALE
TUMOR REGION	BRAIN

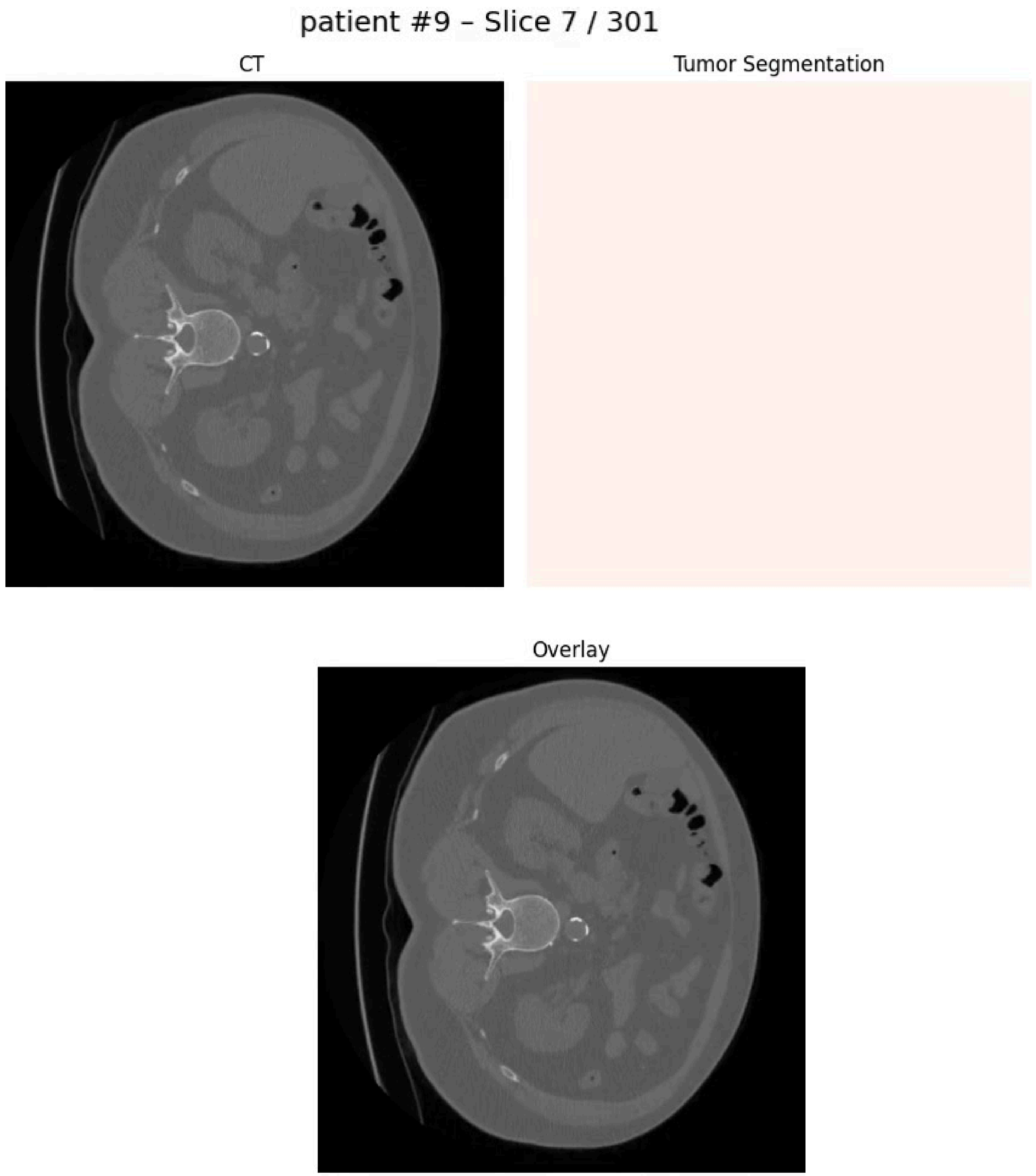
DATA REPORT (UPDATED)

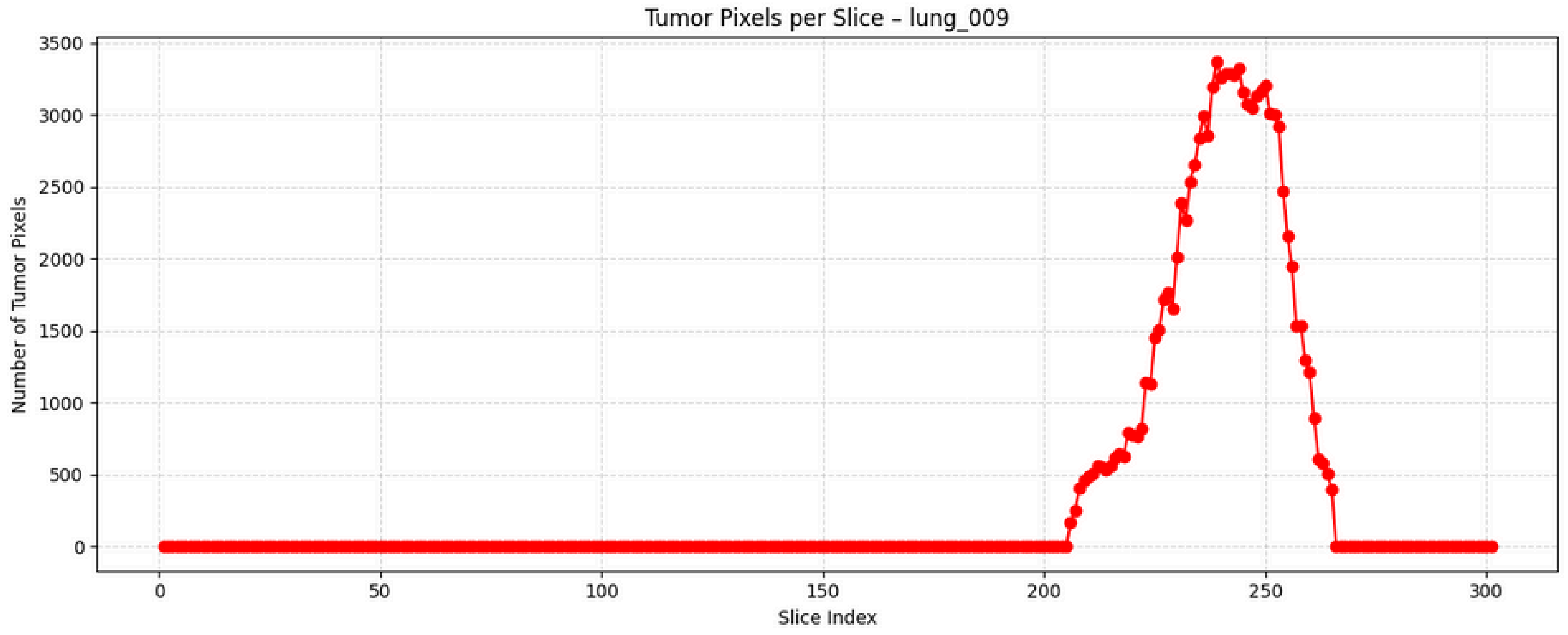
DATASETS (TCIA)	11 (10 PUBLIC AND 1 PRIVATE)
PATIENTS	2712
MEDICAL IMAGE FORMATS	2 TYPES
SCANS	MRI, US, CT, HISTOPATHOLOGY
IMAGING PLANES	3 TYPES
SEGMENTATION	BINARY OR GRAYSCALE
TUMOR REGION	BRAIN, EAR, KIDNEY, LIVER, LUNG, BREAST, PROSTATE

DATASETS

MSD Region: **Lung** Scan: **CT** Patients: **63** Size: **512x512xN** N: **[112,636]** 2D Images: **17,657**

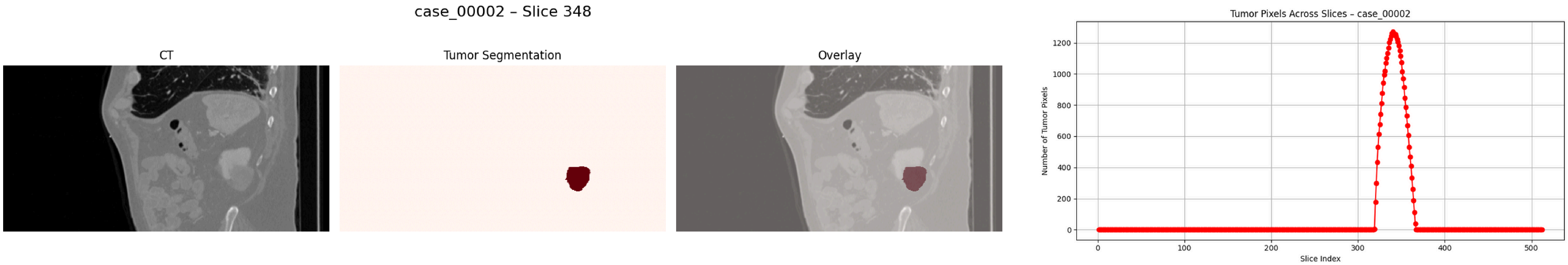




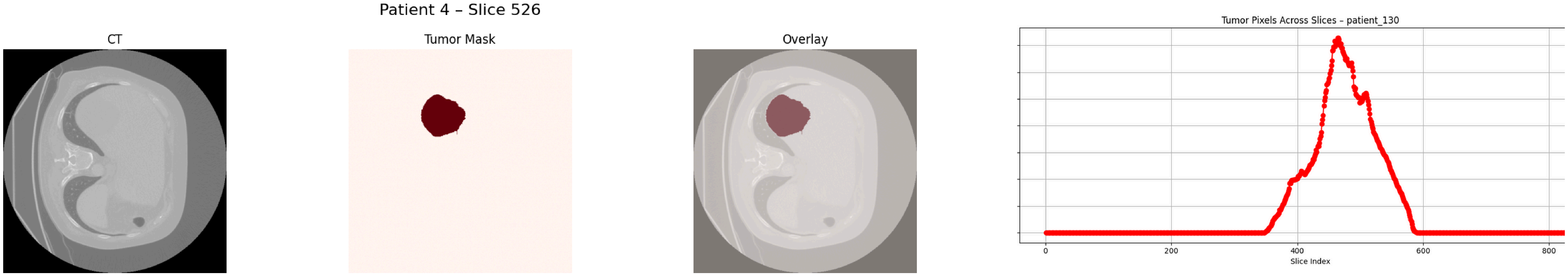


DATASETS

KITS Region: **Kidney** Scan: **CT** Patients: **201** Size: **512xHx512** H: **[29,1059]** 2D Images: **103,196**

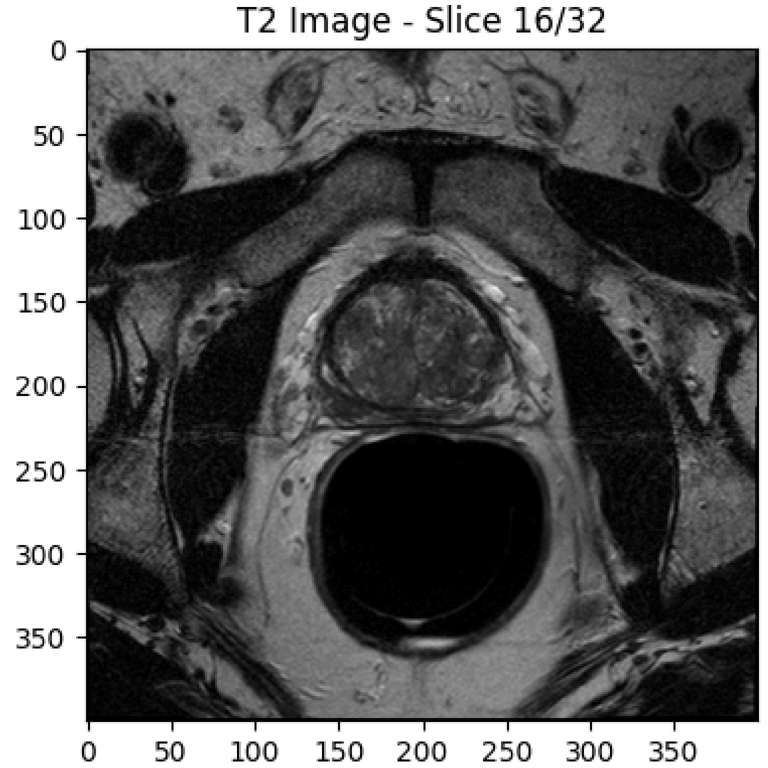


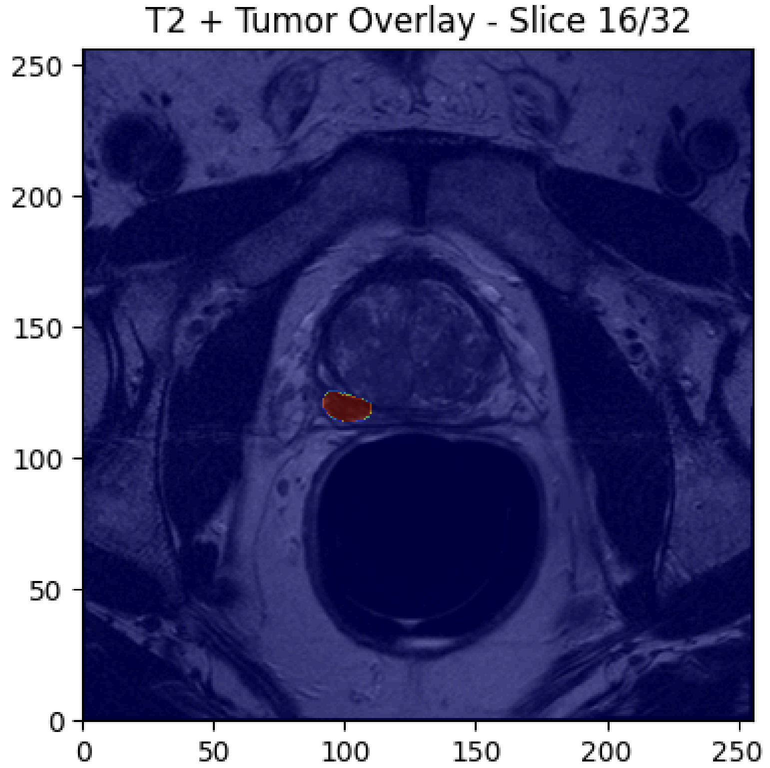
LITS Region: **Liver** Scan: **CT** Patients: **131** Size: **512X512XN** N: **[74,987]** 2D Images: **58,638**

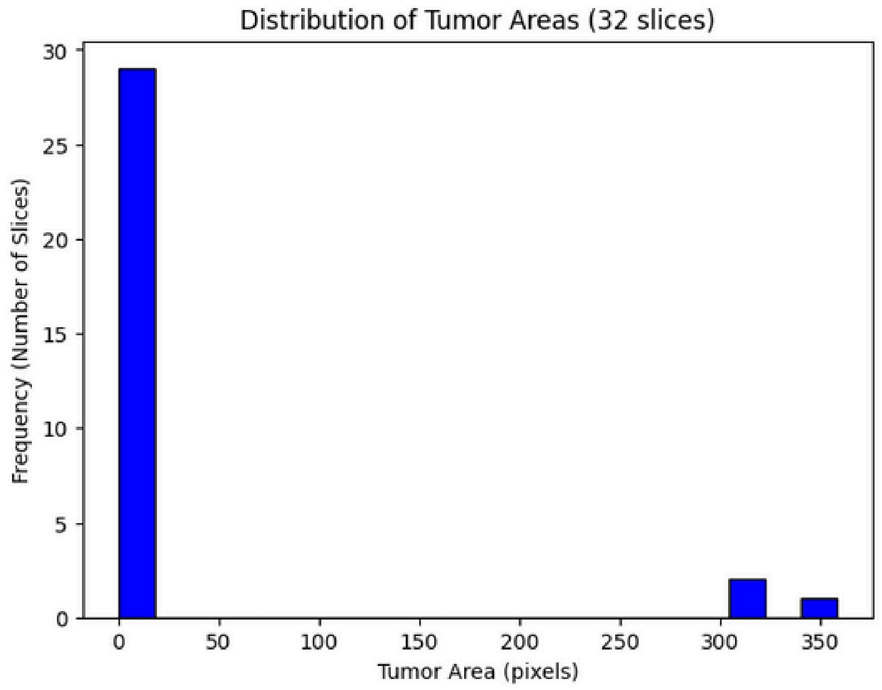


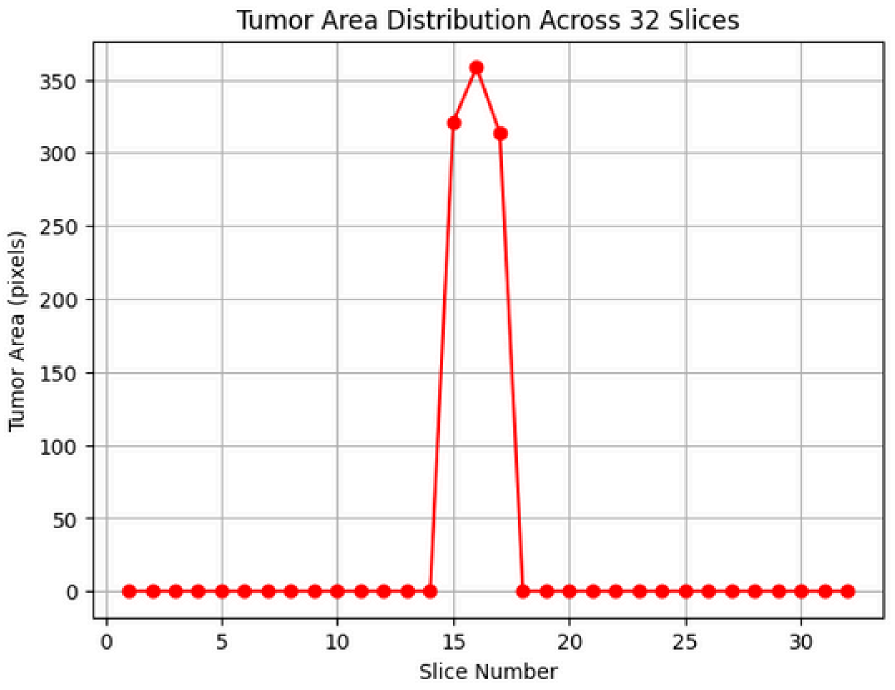
DATASETS

PD Region: **Prostate** Scan: **MRI** Patients: **5** Size: **400x400xN** N: **32 or 36** 2D Images: **168**

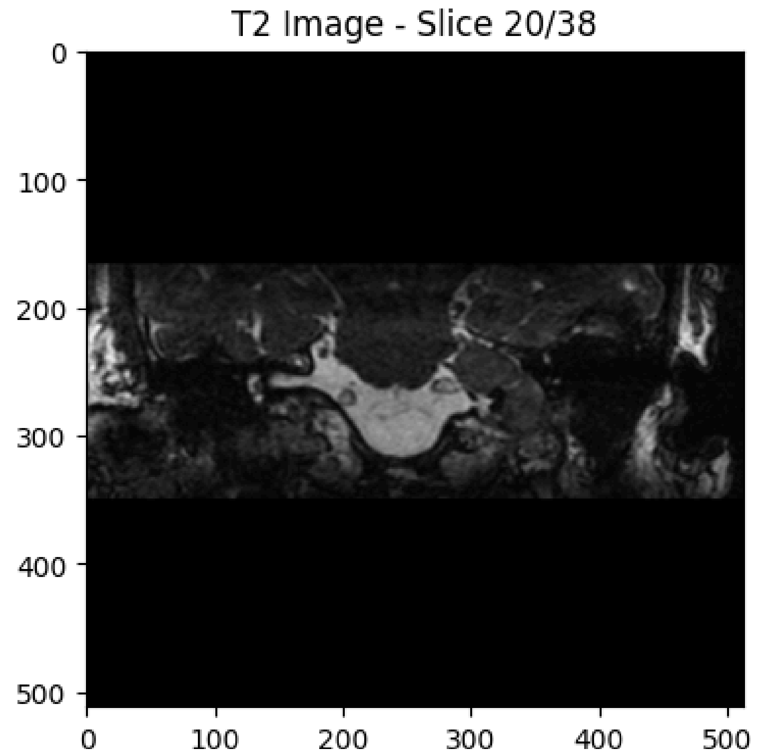


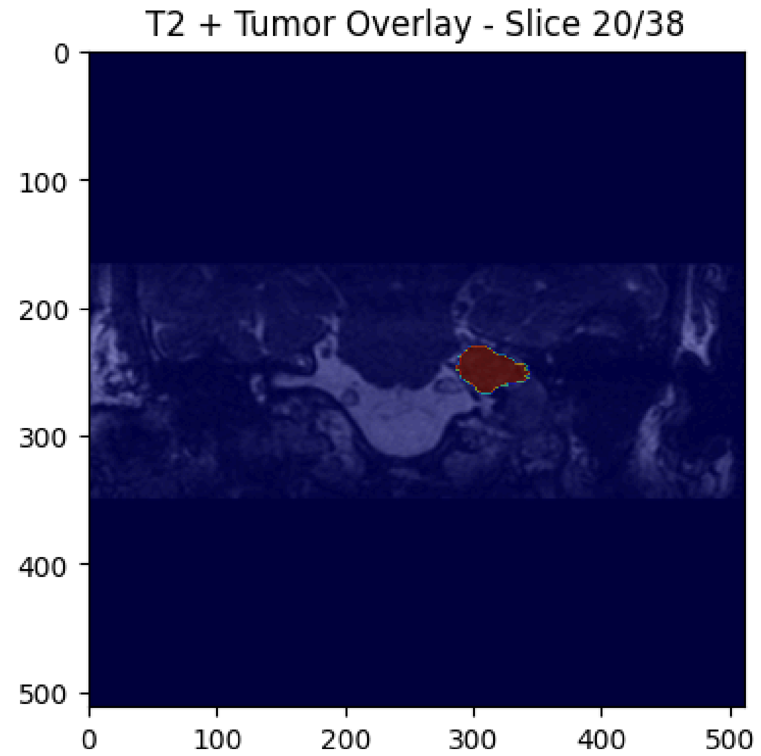


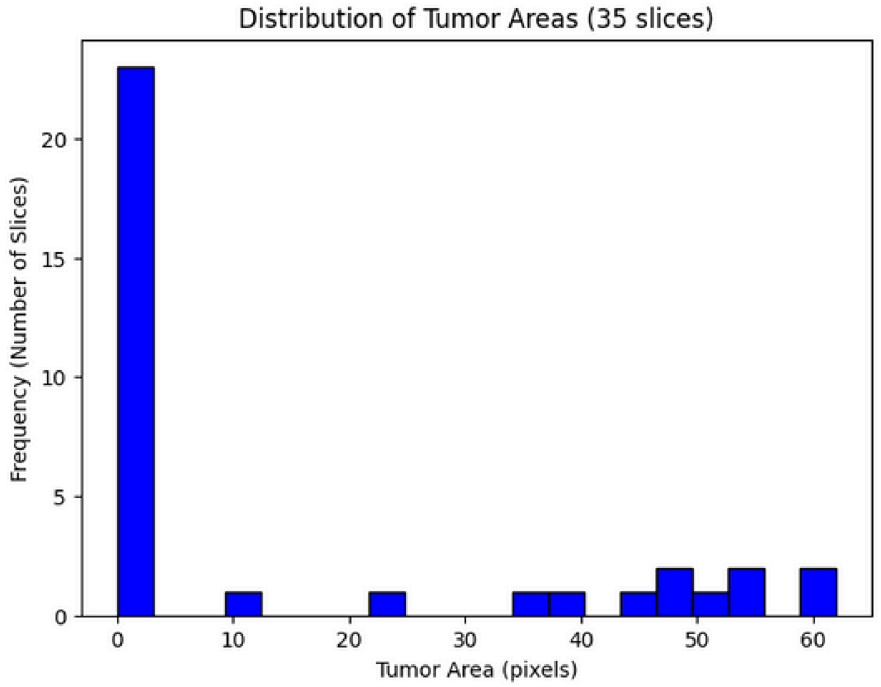


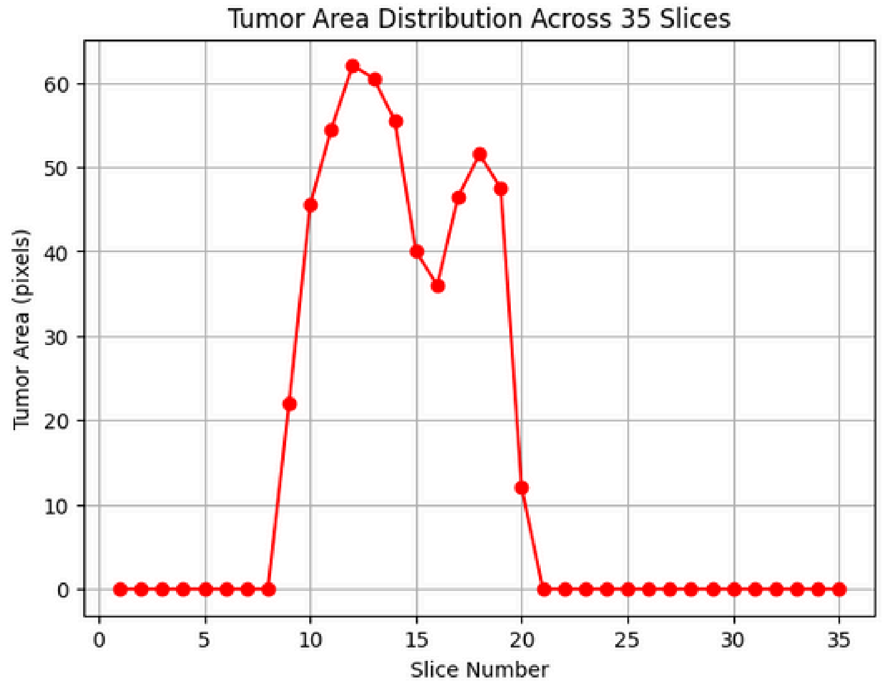


VS-MC-RC Region: **Ear** Scan: **MRI** Patients: **124** Size: **Varying** 2D Images: **20,731**









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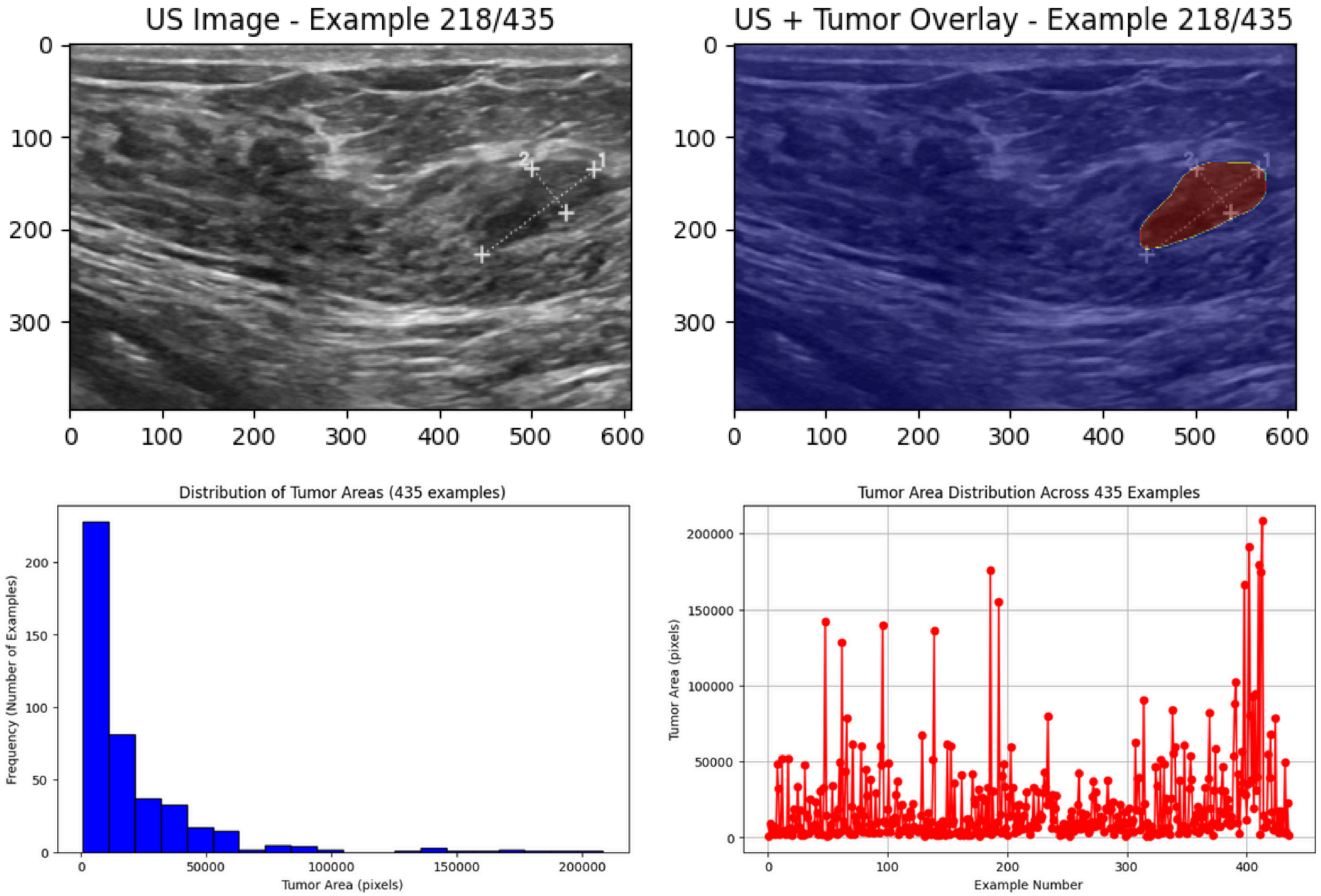
BUSI Region: **Breast** Scan: **Ultrasound** Patients: **778** Size: **Varying** 2D Images: **778**

BENIGN



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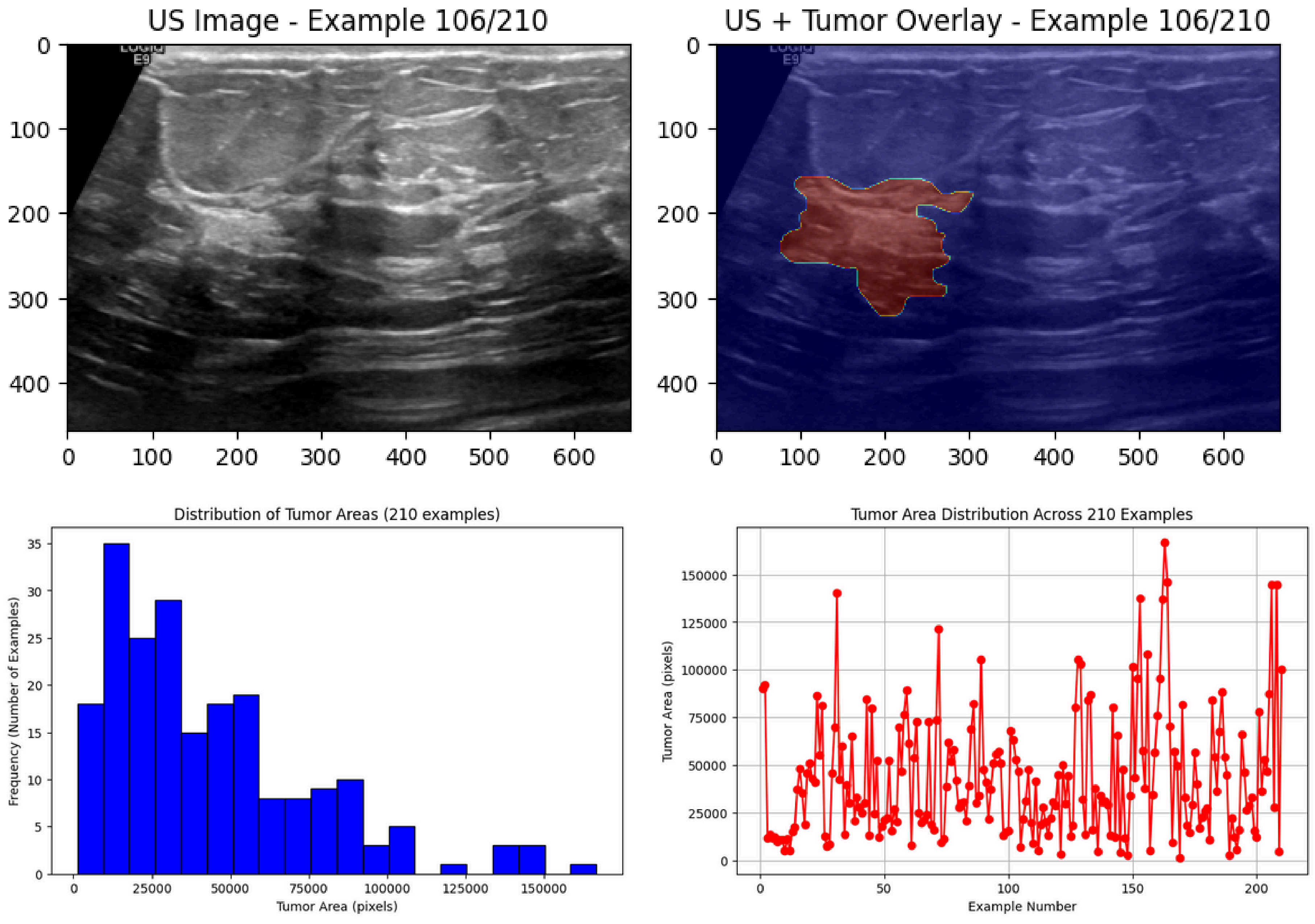
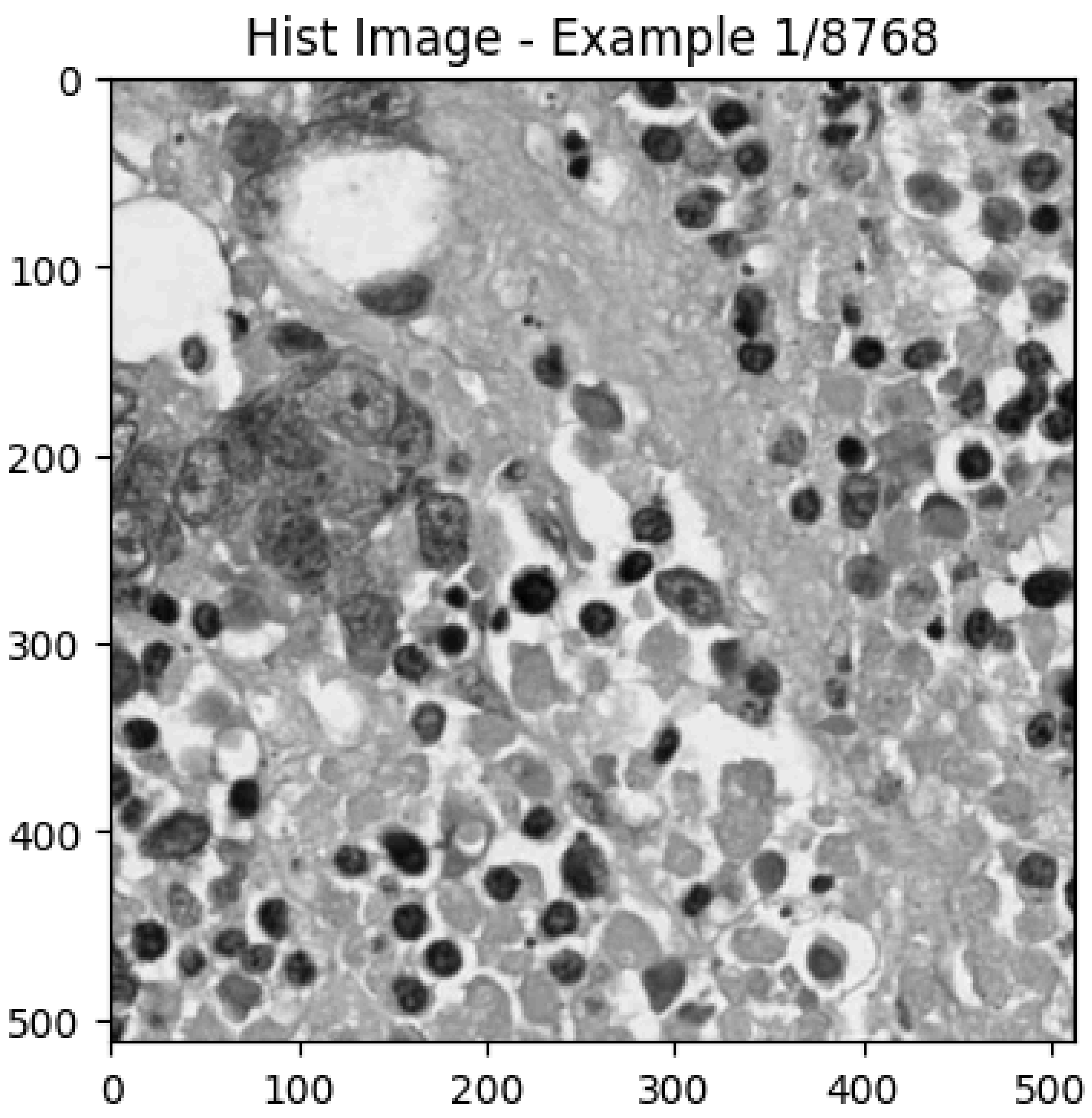
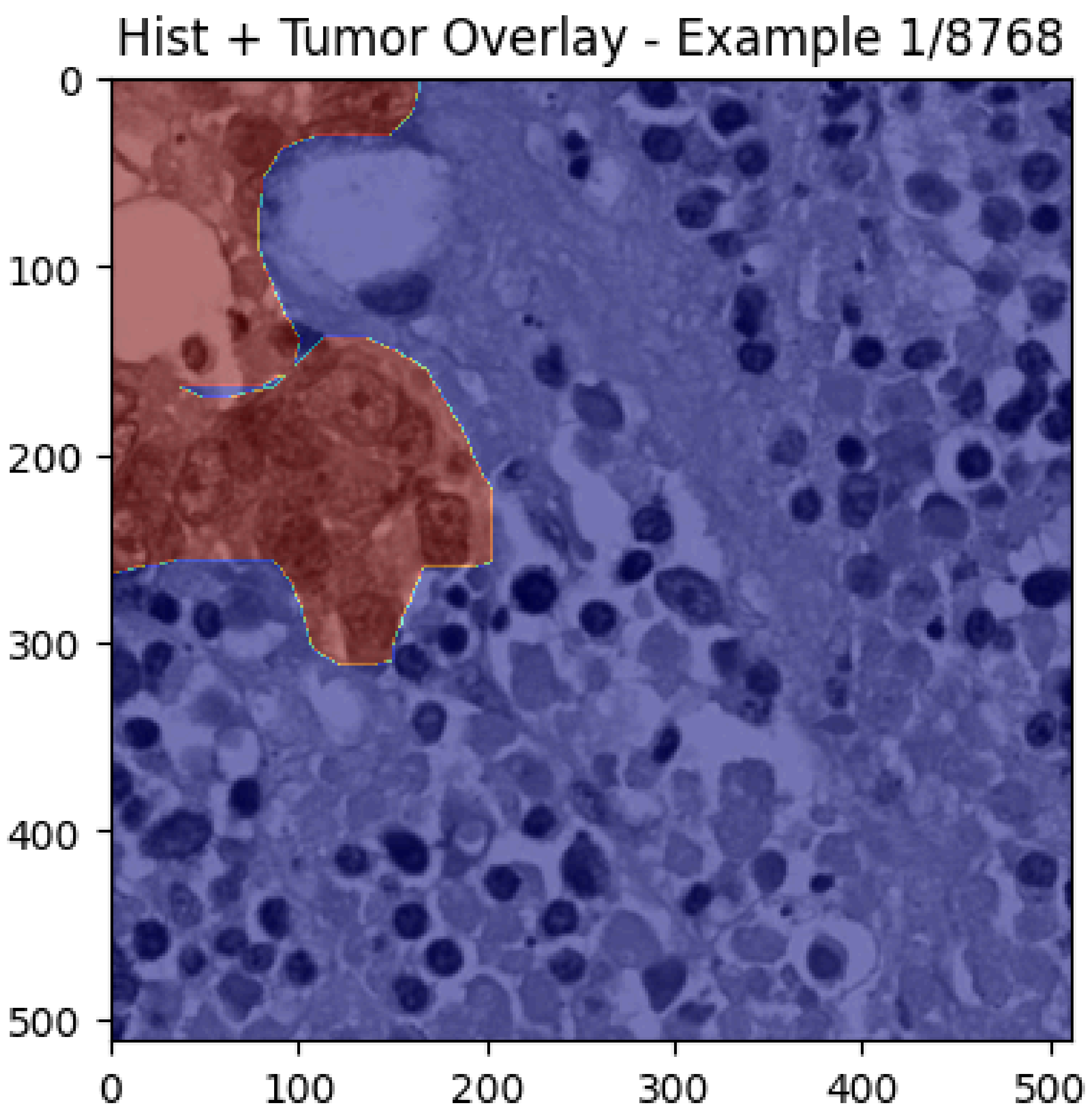
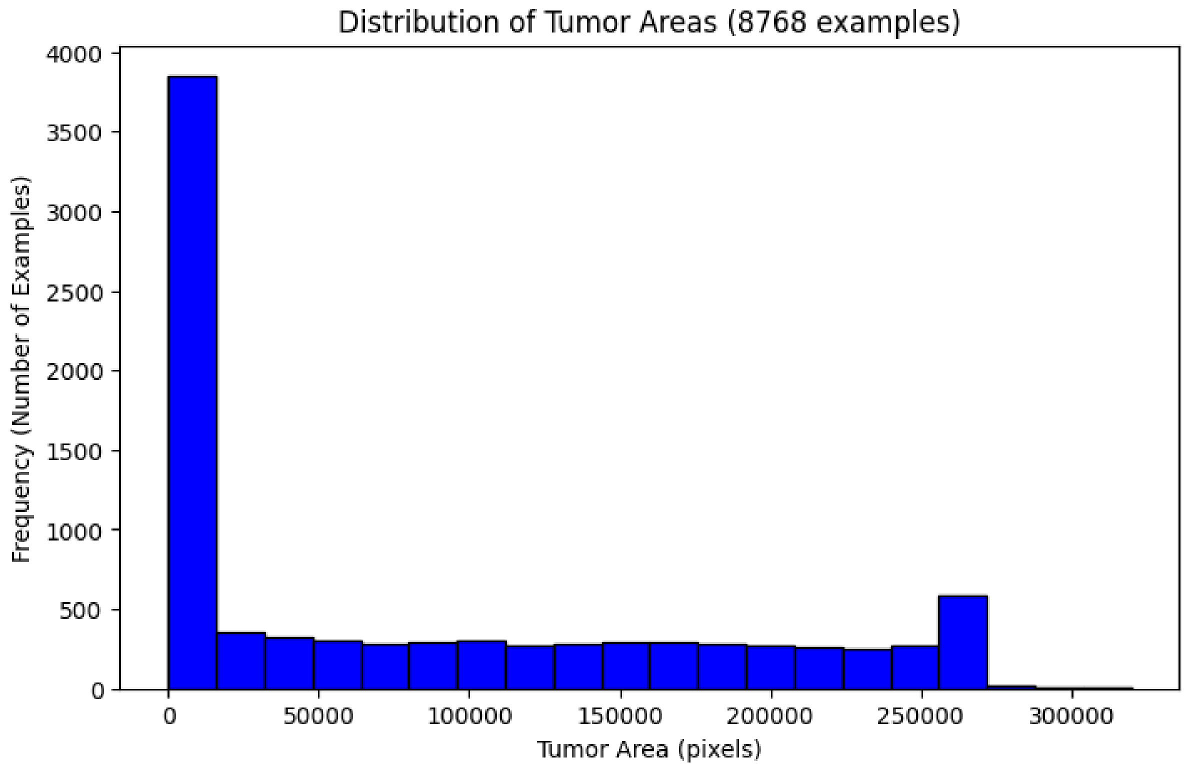


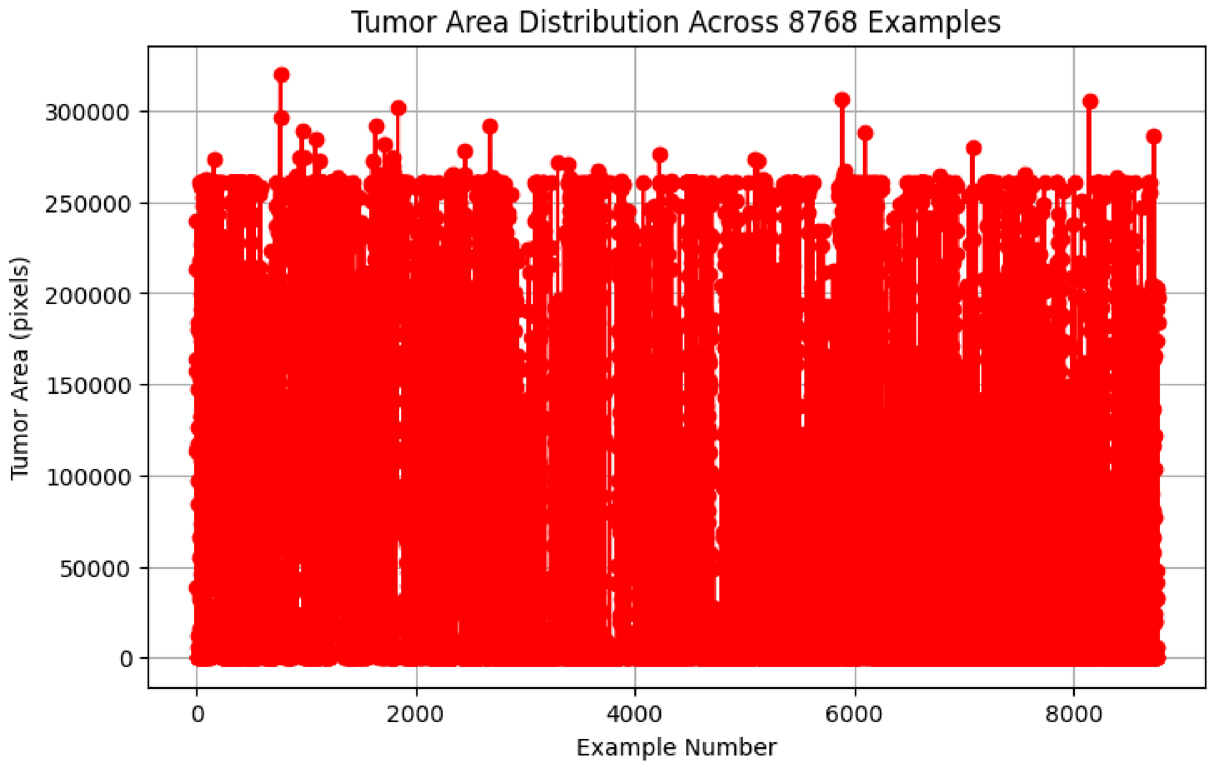
DATASETS

BCSS Region: **Breast** Scan: **Histopathology** Patients: **201** Size: **512x512** 2D Images: **8,768**









DATA PREPROCESSING

3D MRI, US, CT, HP

FORMAT

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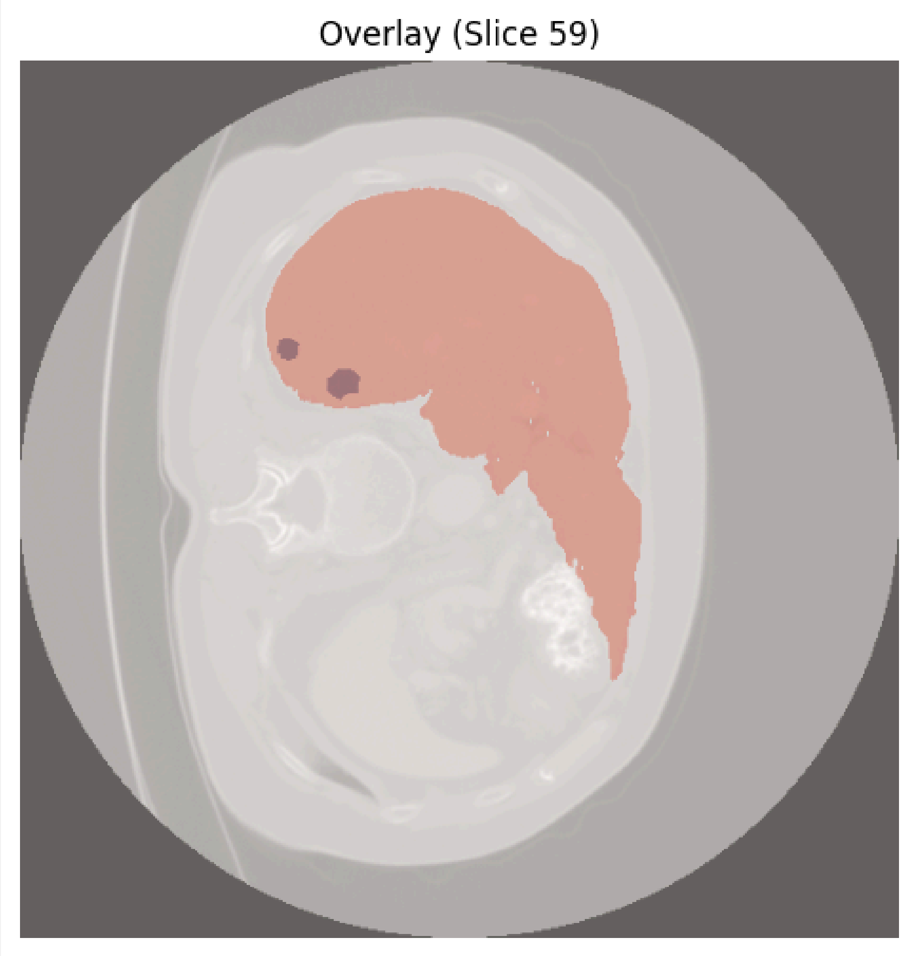
2. DICOM

NON BINARY SEGMENTATION



2D IMAGES

FORMAT

PNG

BINARY SEGMENTATION

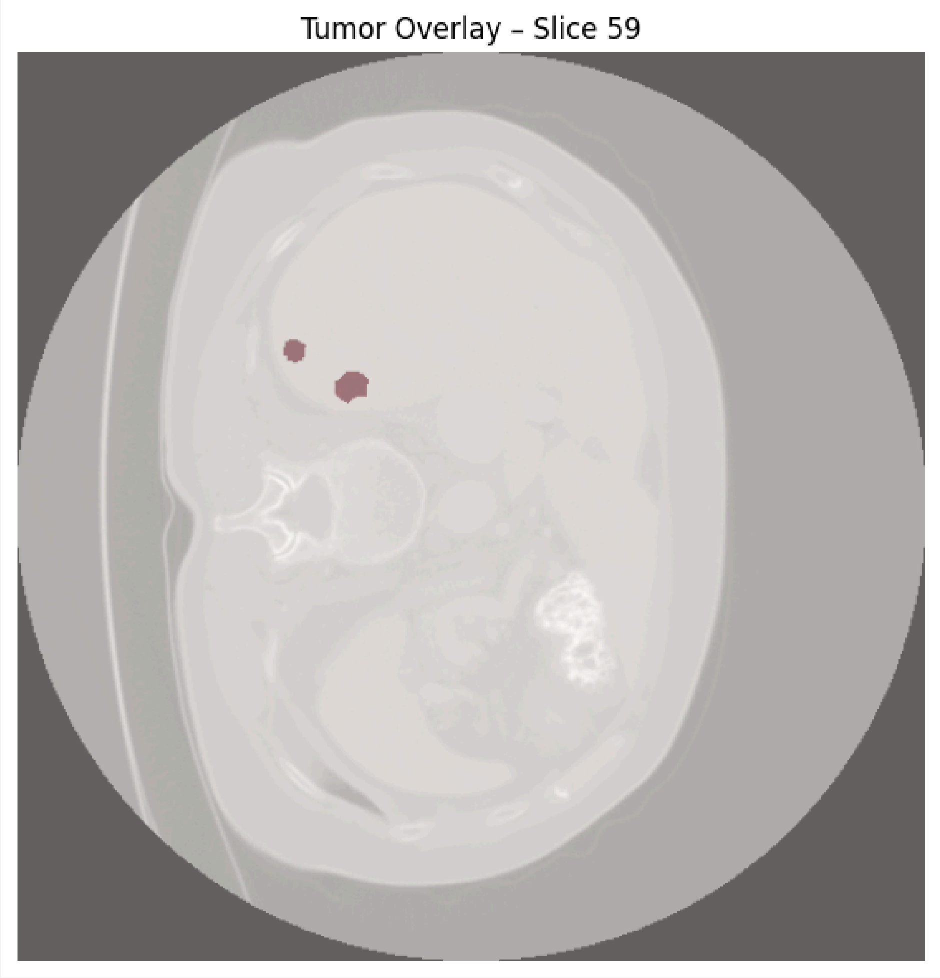
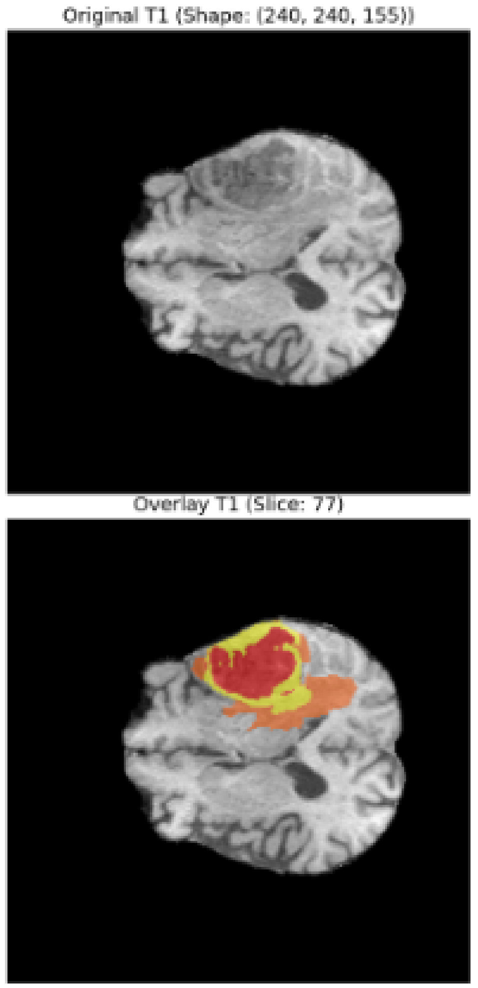


IMAGE CONVERSION

3D



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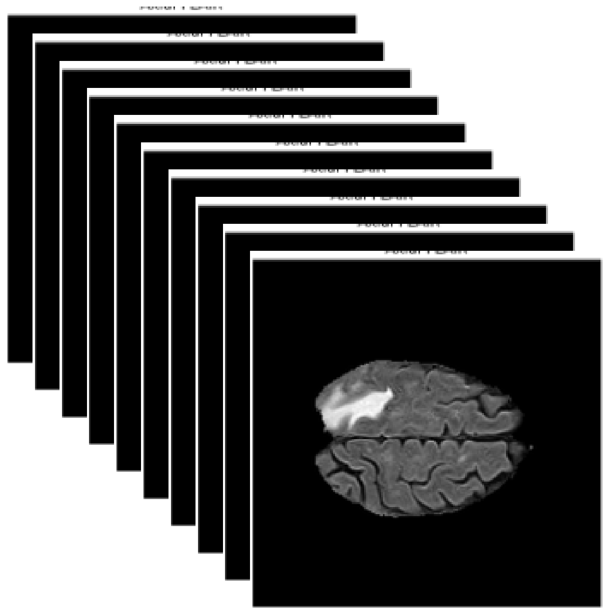

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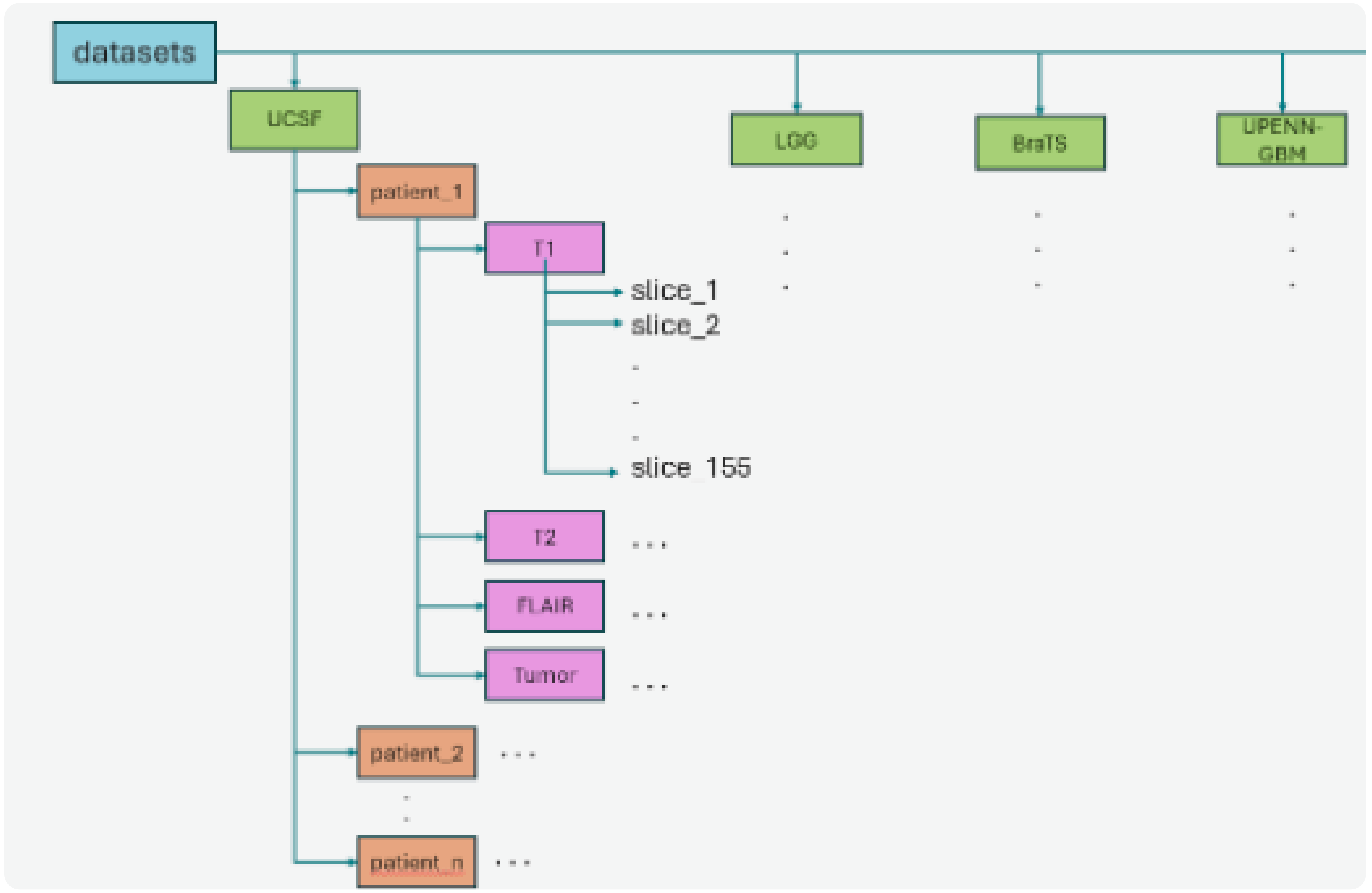
M x N

DIRECTORY STRUCTURE

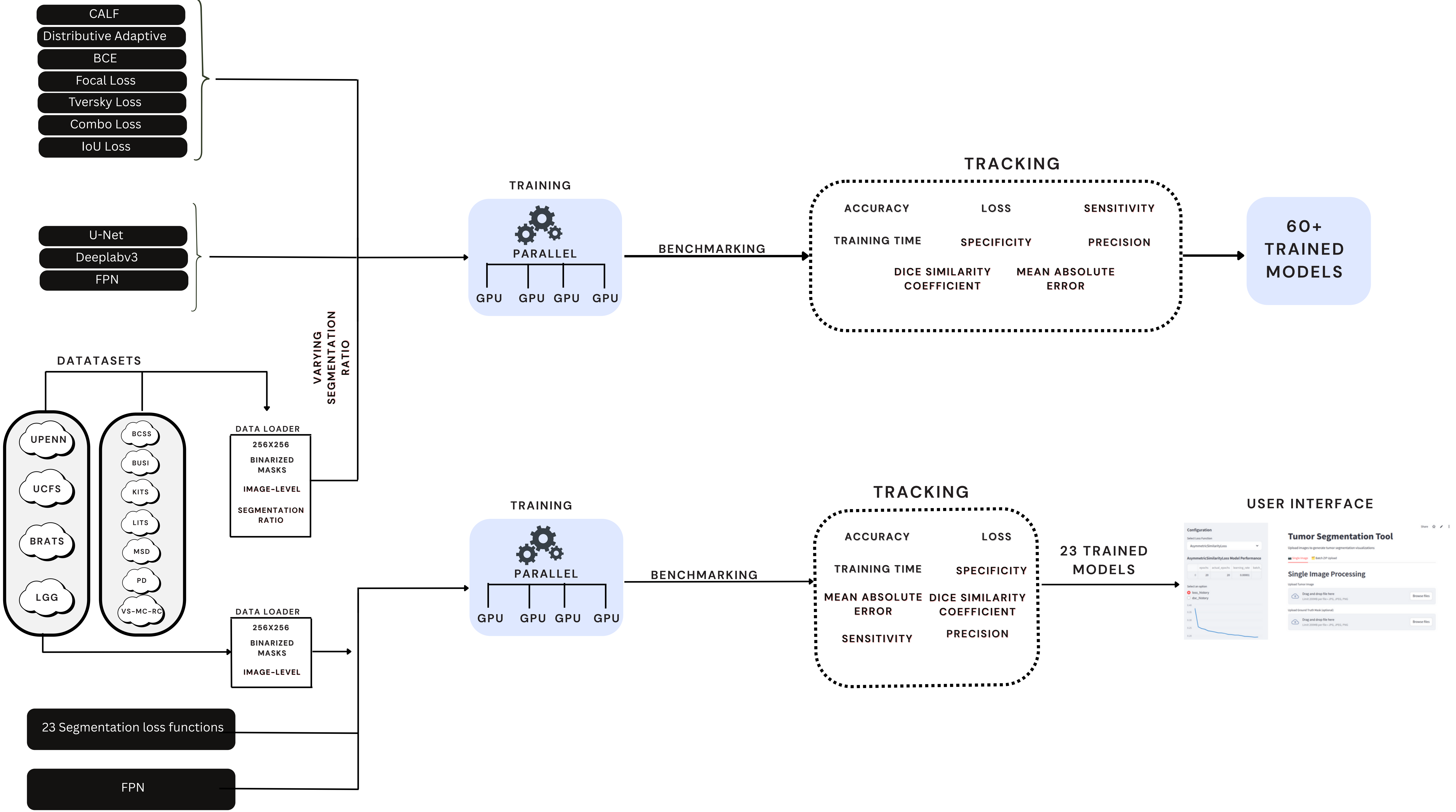


LOSS FUNCTIONS

Name	Class	Domain	Year	Citations to Original Paper	Publications	Citations in total	Purpose	Use Cases - Pros/Cons
Cross Entropy	Distribution	Binary Classification	2015	94542	477	100000	Minimize cross entropy H(P,Q)	Works best in equal data distribution among classes
WCE	Distribution	Binary Classification	2015	94542	66	96000	Minimize CE, penalize majority weights	Widely used in skewed datasets
TopK	Distribution	Ranking	2016	187	4	343	Force networks to focus on hard samples during training	Used in imbalanced data
Focal	Distribution	Object Detection	2017	199	336	5000	Adapt the standard cross entropy to focus on hard examples	Works best with highlt imbalanced datasets, down-weight the contribution of easy examples, enabling model to learn hard e
Distance Map 'enalizing Loss	Distribution	Segmentation	2019	104	22	215	Guide the network's focus towards hard-to-segment boundary regions	Used for hard-to-segment boundaries
Dice	Region	Segmentation	2016	10882	557	22000	Optimize the Dice Similarity Coefficient (DSC)	Does not require class re-weighting for imbalanced segmentat
IoU (Jaccard)	Region	Segmentation	2016	1033	183	3000	Optimize the object category segmentation metric	Highly effective for tasks where boundary precision is crucial
Lovász	Region	Segmentation	2018	613	37	1000	Optimize the Jaccard index	Optimizing with cross entropy first is needed
Tversky	Region	Segmentation	2017	1056	154	3000	Achieve a better trade-off between precision and recall	Used where the cost of false positives and false negatives diff significantly and it is wanted to adjust the model's behavior ac
Focal Tversky	Region	Segmentation	2018	930	46	2000	Focus on hard cases with low probabilities	Focus on hard examples
Robust T-Loss	Region	Segmentation	2023	8	1	8	Emphasize robustness	Used in noisy data
ensitivity-specif icity	Region	Binary Classification	2015	52	26	164	Address the class imbalance problem by weighting specificity higher	Used when there is more focus on True Positives
Asymmetric similarity	Region	Ranking	2018	206	10	463	Make a better adjustment of the weights of FPs and FNs	Used in imbalanced data
eneralized Dice	Region	Segmentation	2017	2688	37	5000	Multi-class extension of Dice loss	Used in multi-class segmentation
G. Wasserstein Dice loss	Region	Segmentation	2018	184	4	296	To improve multi-class segmentation	Used in multi-class segmentation, tackles hierarchical classes take advantage of known relationships between classes
Penalty	Region	Segmentation	2019	37	4	67	Penalize the FNs and the FPs in generalized Dice	Used in multi-class segmentation, focused on false negatives positives
Boundary Loss	Boundary	Segmentation	2018	558	63	1000	Use integral framework to compute distance between two boundaries	Time-consuming, should be coupled with region-based loss
oundary-aware Loss	Boundary	Segmentation	2017	170	101	1000	Pay attention to boundary regions	Used in data having precise boundaries
InverseForm	Boundary	Segmentation	2021	123	2	124	Assign lower loss to predictions that do not perfectly align with ground truth but have similarities	Complements cross-entropy with boundary transformation anc outperforms while not adding time complexity
Hausdorff Distance Loss	Boundary	Segmentation	2019	503	6	845	Avoid unstable training	Time-consuming, should be coupled with region-based loss
BCE - Dice	Compound	Binary Segmentation	2018	388	6	701	Handle input and output imbalance in multi-organ segmentation	Used for lightly class imbalanced
Dice - Focal	Compound	Segmentation	2018	514	18	566	Alleviate the imbalanced organ segmentation problem and force the model to learn from poorly segmented voxels better	Good in multi-class segmentation
Dice - TopK	Compound	Segmentation	2020	29	4	89	Used for automated volumetric assessment of multiple sclerosis	Good in multi-class segmentation
Unified Focal	Compound	Segmentation	2022	406	33	671	Mitigate the issues associated with loss suppression and over-enhancement	Used in imbalanced data
Exponential Logarithmic Loss	Compound	Segmentation	2018	251	3	441	Address the issues of highly unbalanced object sizes	Focuses on less accurately predicted cases

MODELS

- U-Net
- Deeplabv3
- FPN


CALF
Distributive Adaptive
BCE
Focal Loss
Tversky Loss
Combo Loss
IoU Loss
U-Net
Deeplabv3
FPN
DATASETS
UPENN
UCFS
BRATS
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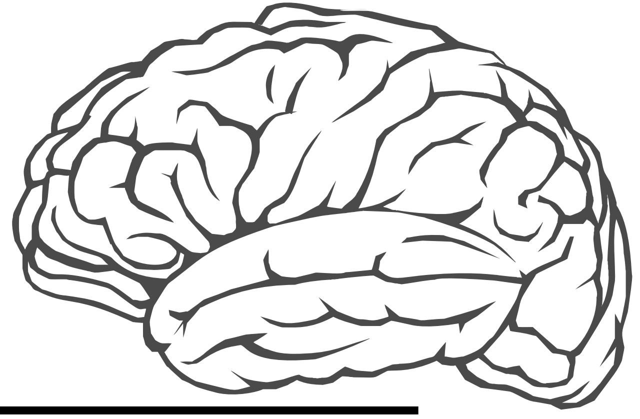
23 TRAINED MODELS
USER INTERFACE
Tumor Segmentation Tool
Single Image Processing

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Results
- User-interface
- MICCAI Submission
- ACM Paper
- Scientific Paper

RESULTS - PAPER 1



Models

- U-net
- FPN
- Deeplabv3

Loss Functions

- BCE
- DICE
- Tversky
- IoU
- Combo
- Focal
- Adaptive

Segmentation ratio

- 0.41
- 0.10
- 0.25
- 0.6
- 0.85

56 Trained models

RESULTS - PAPER 1

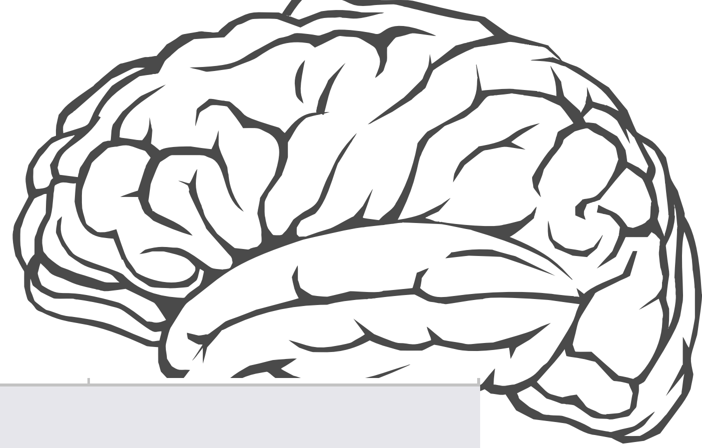


Table1

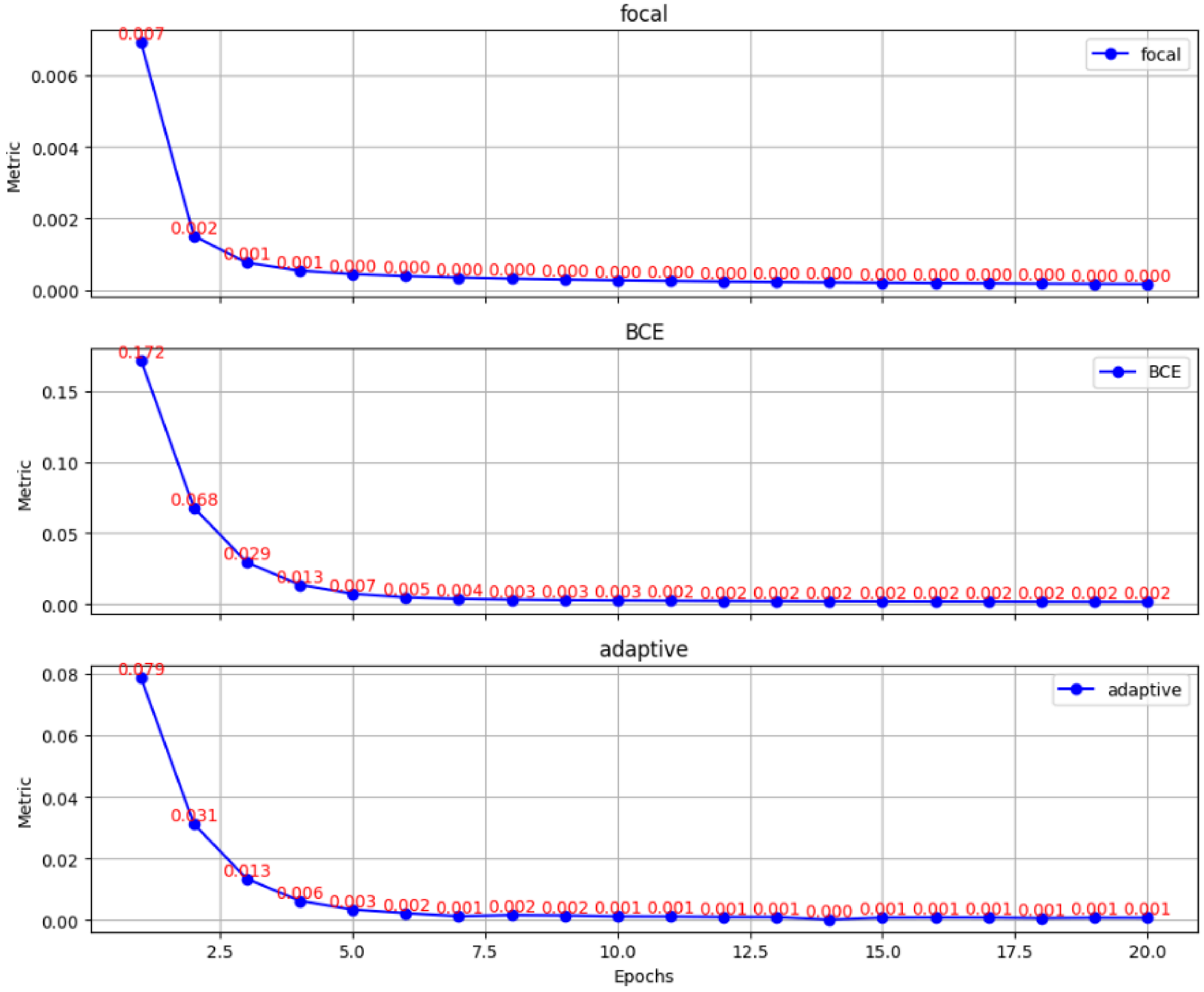
Loss Function	Type	Segmentation Ratio	Model	Accuracy	Dice Similarity	Loss	Specificity	Sensitivity
BCE	image	None - 0.41 (532748)	U-net	0.9991	0.9589	0.0015	0.9995	0.9546
Tversky	image	None - 0.41 (532748)	U-net	0.9974	0.8898	0.6301	0.9978	0.9638
IoU	image	None - 0.41 (532748)	U-net	0.9979	0.9067	0.6569	0.9987	0.9288
Focal	image	None - 0.41 (532748)	U-net	0.999	0.9552	0.0001	0.9997	0.933
Dice	image	None - 0.41 (532748)	U-net	0.998	0.9098	0.6346	0.9987	0.9312
Combo	image	None - 0.41 (532748)	U-net	0.9986	0.9351	0.6313	0.9993	0.9327
Adaptive	image	None - 0.41 (532748)	U-net	0.999	0.9577	0.0008	0.9996	0.9448
Region-specific	image	None - 0.41 (532748)	U-net	0.9989	0.9509	0.0081	0.9995	0.9454
BCE	image	None - 0.41 (532748)	DeepLabV3	0.9969	0.8597	0.0068	0.9986	0.8448
Tversky	image	None - 0.41 (532748)	DeepLabV3	0.7481	0.0867	0.668	0.7459	0.9497
IoU	image	None - 0.41 (532748)	DeepLabV3	0.7207	0.0754	0.7228	0.7186	0.9128

Results are HERE

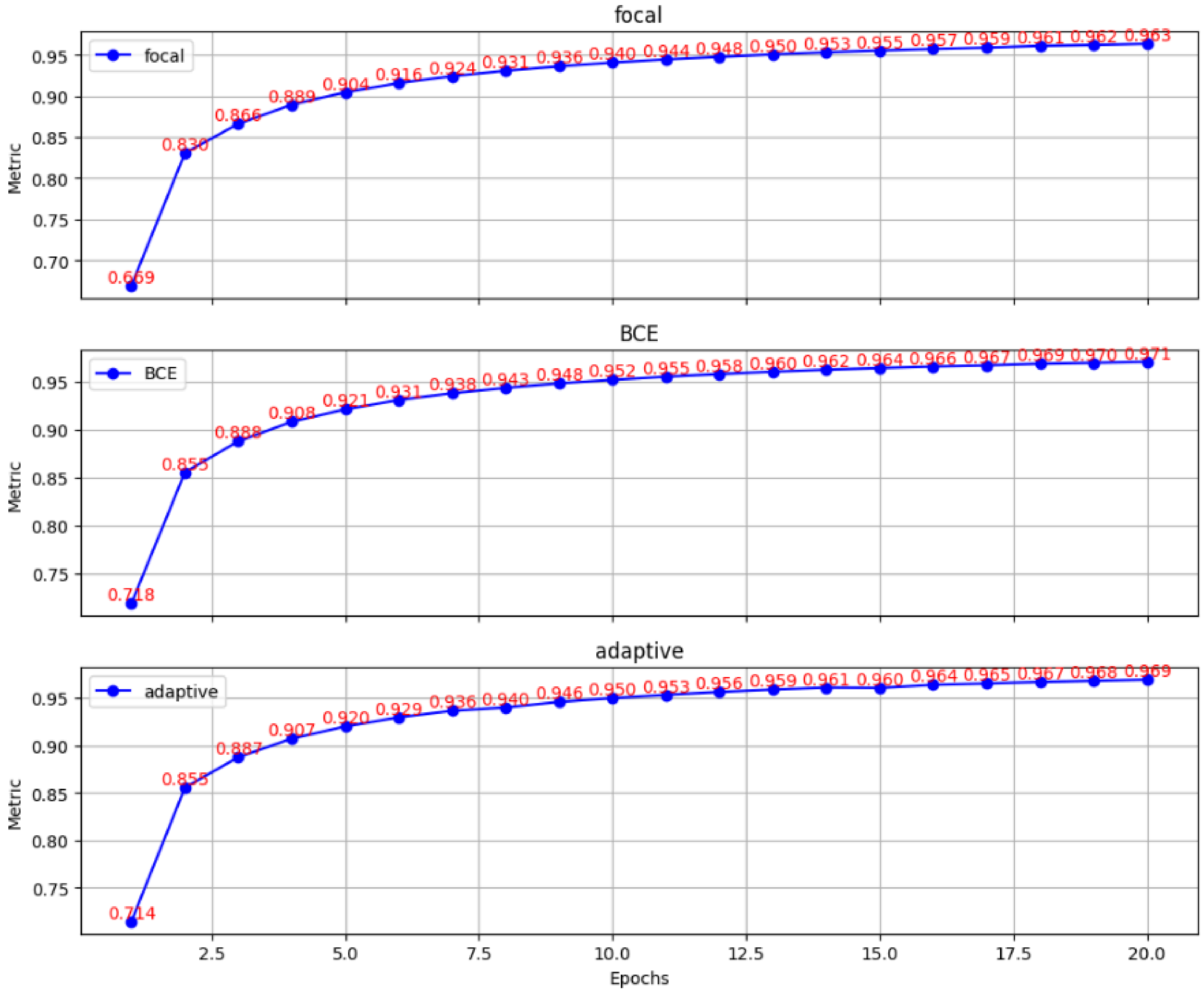
PERFORMANCE OF ADAPTIVE LOSS FUNCTION

U-NET

LOSS HISTORY



DICE SIMILARITY COEFFICIENT HISTORY



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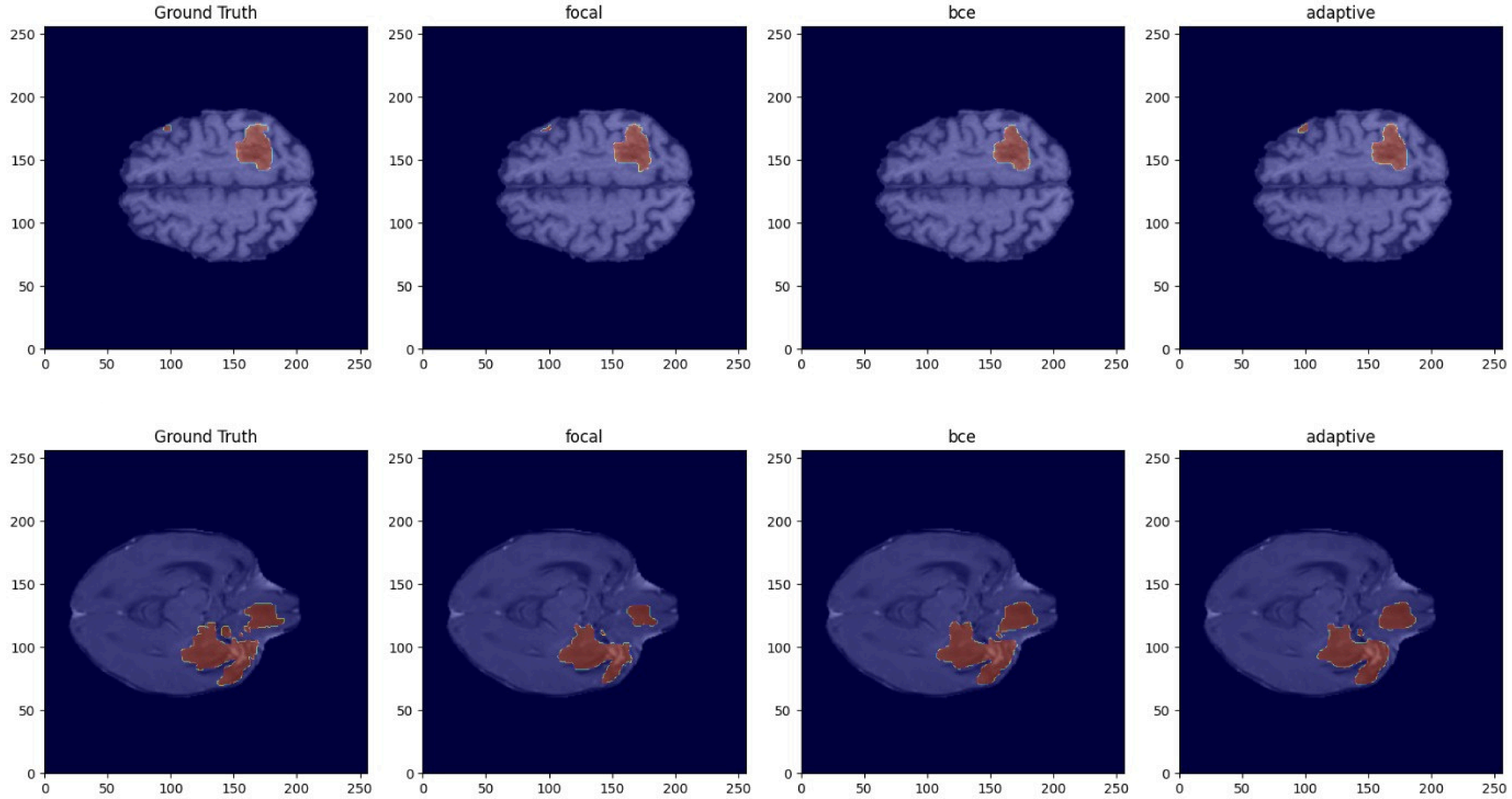


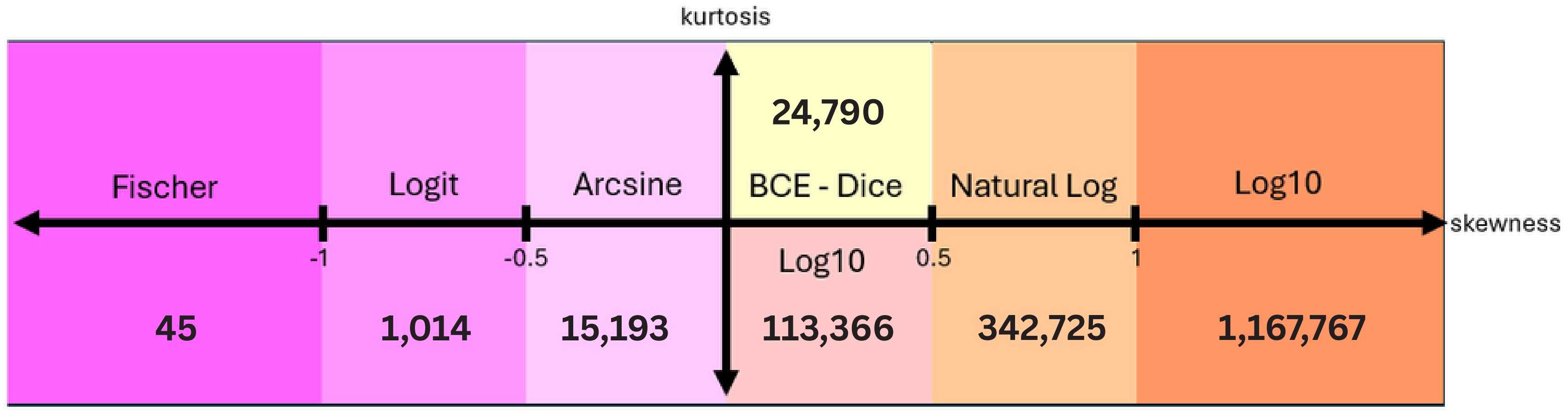
EXPLAINABILITY

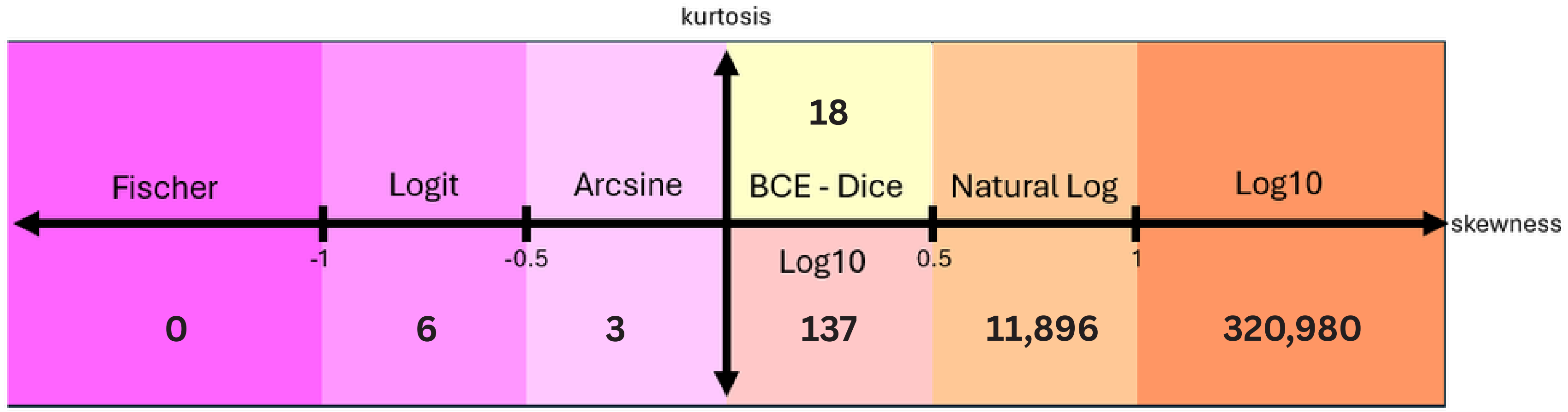
BATCH SIZE 8

Log base 10 (0 < skewness <= 0.5 & kurtosis < 0): 113366.0
Natural log: 342725.0
Log base 10 (skewness >= 1): 1167767.0
BCE with Dice: 24790.0
Arcsine: 15193.0
Logit: 1014.0
Fisher's: 45.0

BATCH SIZE 32

Log base 10 (skewness >= 1): 320980.0
Natural log: 11896.0
Log base 10 (0 < skewness <= 0.5 & kurtosis < 0): 137.0
BCE with Dice: 18.0
Arcsine: 3.0
Logit: 6.0

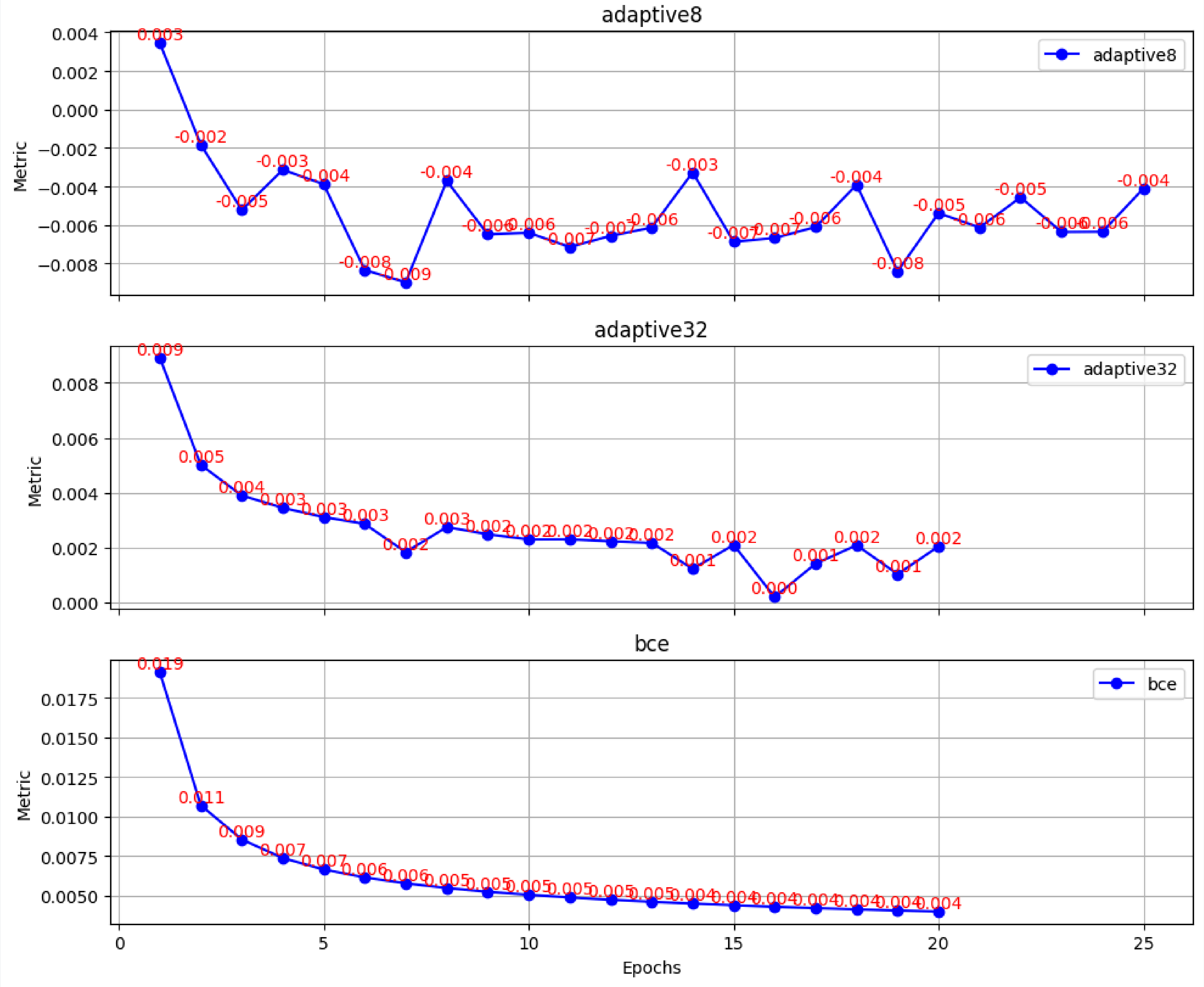




EXPLAINABILITY

FPN

LOSS HISTORY



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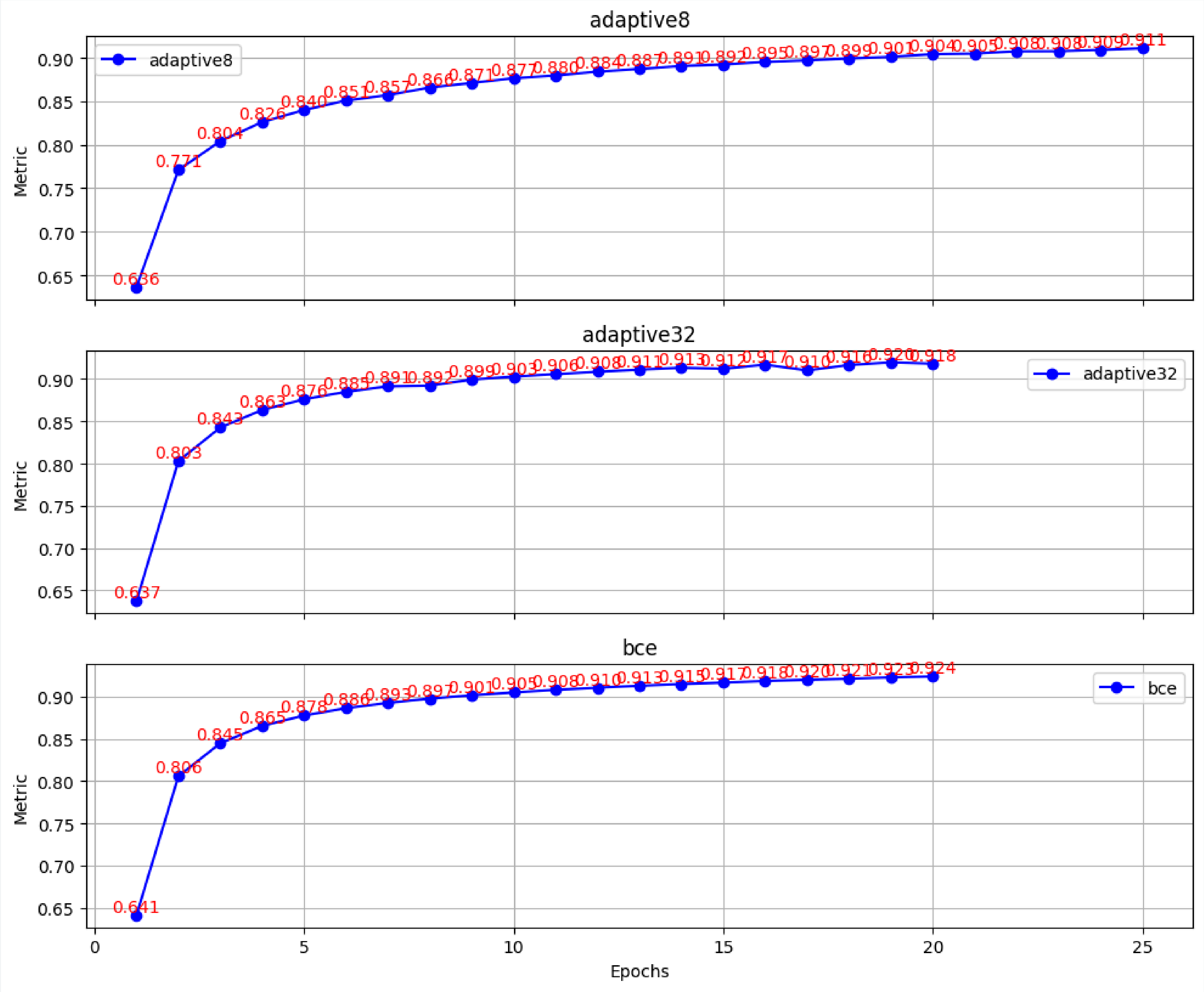
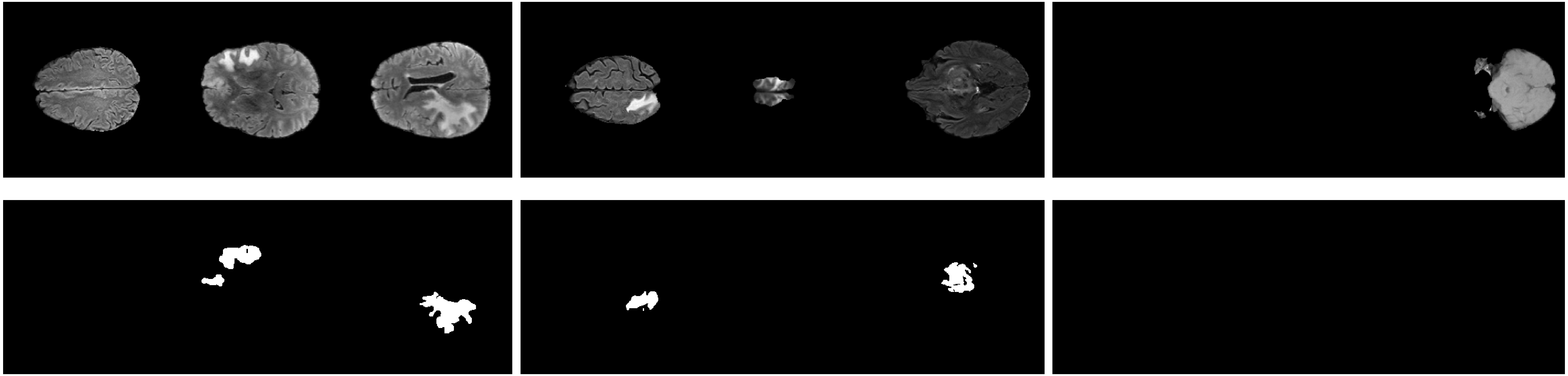


EVEN IF THE LOSS VALUE IS NEGATIVE, IF ITS GRADIENT IS MEANINGFUL, THE MODEL CAN STILL LEARN

EXPLAINABILITY

LOGIT ARCSINE BCE-DICE



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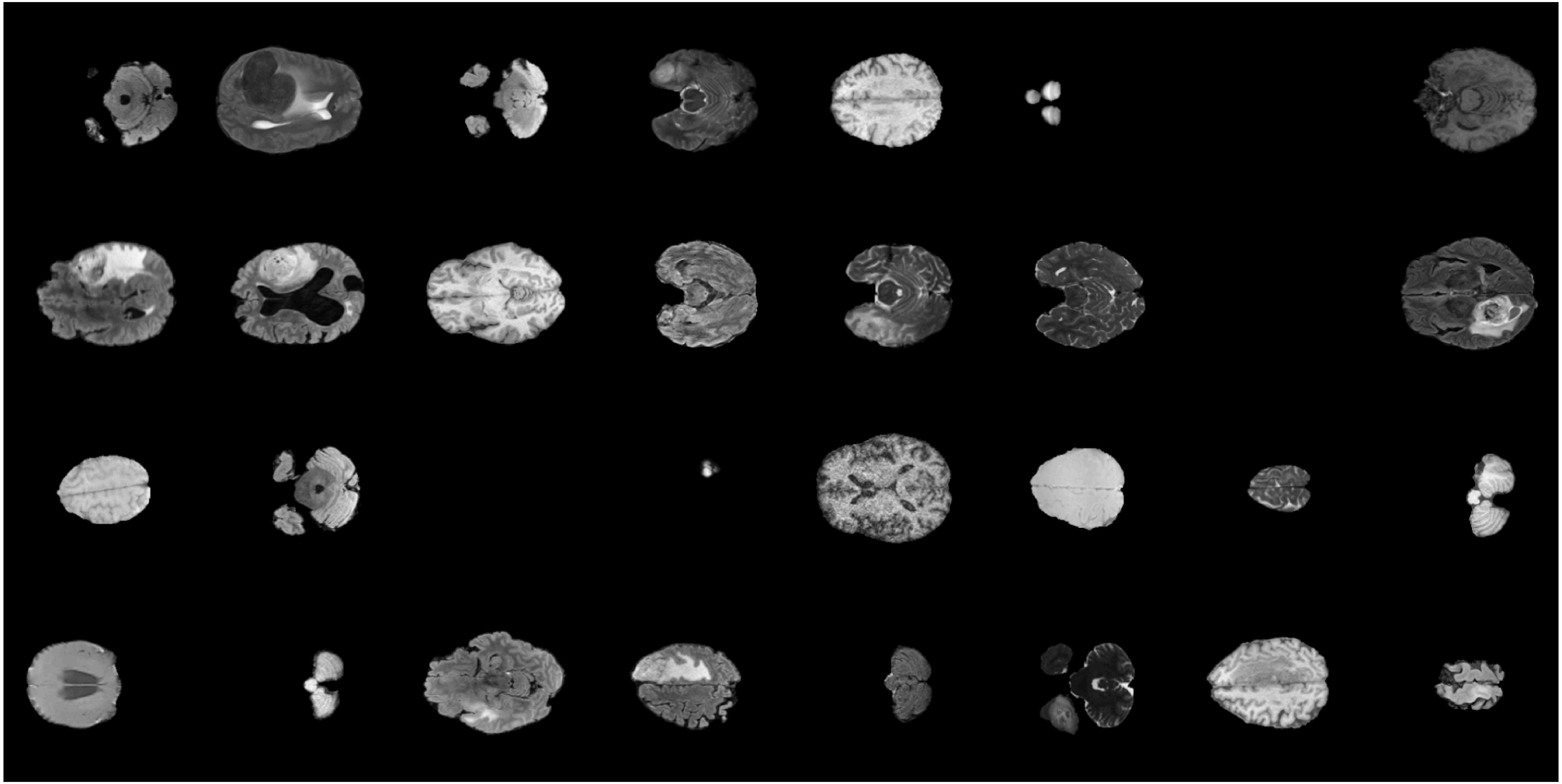

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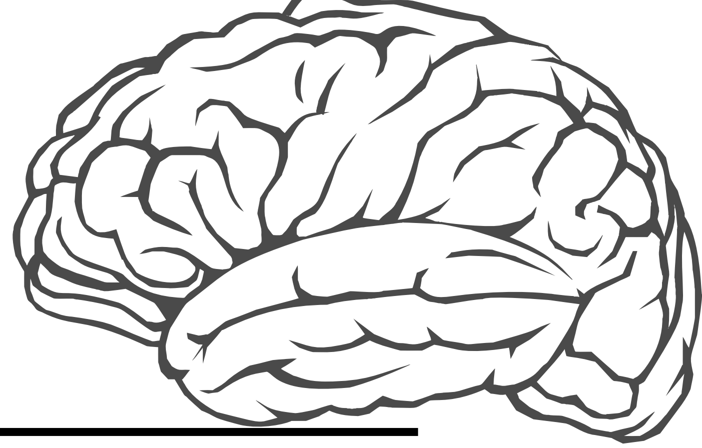
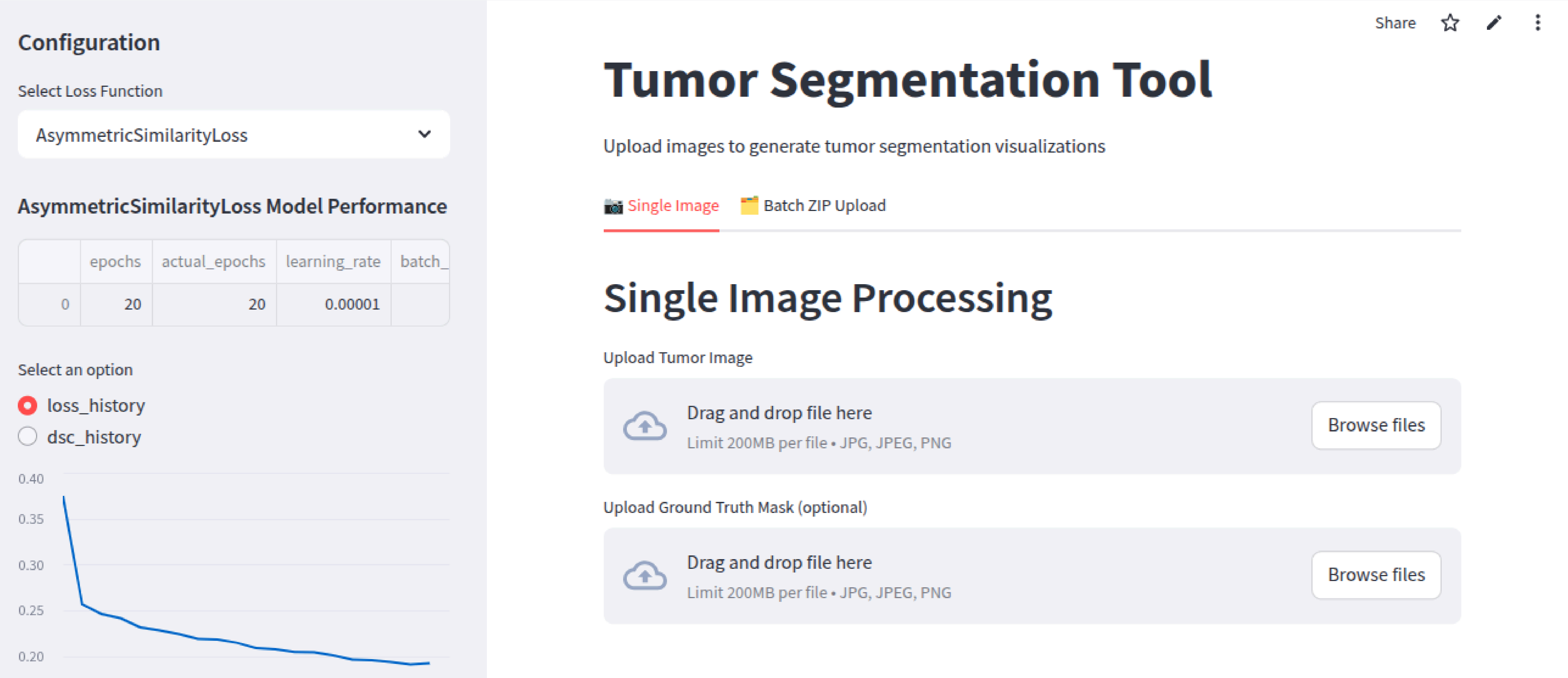


Loss functions

Loss Functions	Loss	Training Time	Val_accuracy	Val_dice_score	Val_specificity	Val_sensitivity	Val_precision	Val_MAE
Distance Map Penalizing Loss	1.0956→1.0000	6:14:49	0.9887	0.0022	1	0.0022	1	0.0113
Focal Tversky Loss	0.3343→0.1734	3:40:35	0.993	0.6859	0.9965	0.6883	0.6931	0.0069
Robust T Loss	0.9180→0.8635	3:39:32	0.9962	0.8248	0.9979	0.8421	0.8124	0.0038
Sensitivity Specificity Loss	0.2348→0.2279	3:53:35	0.9959	0.8396	0.9963	0.9665	0.744	0.004
BCE Loss	0.0182→0.00398	3:39:48	0.9981	0.9092	0.9994	0.8806	0.9404	0.0019
Tversky Loss	0.7478→0.6541	3:39:54	0.9962	0.8364	0.997	0.9217	0.7688	0.0038
IoU Loss	0.8039→0.6940	3:39:33	0.9966	0.8474	0.9979	0.8866	0.8157	0.0034
Focal Loss	0.00197→0.000434	3:41:25	0.998	0.9076	0.9994	0.8768	0.9413	0.00195
DICE Loss	0.7612→0.6620	3:39:43	0.9965	0.8404	0.9979	0.8695	0.8164	0.0035
Combo Loss	0.7931→0.6647	3:39:59	0.9977	0.8954	0.9987	0.9047	0.8879	0.0023
Asymmetric Similarity Loss	0.3747→0.1919	3:40:28	0.9946	0.7542	0.9972	0.7604	0.7565	0.0054

Results are HERE

USER INTERFACE



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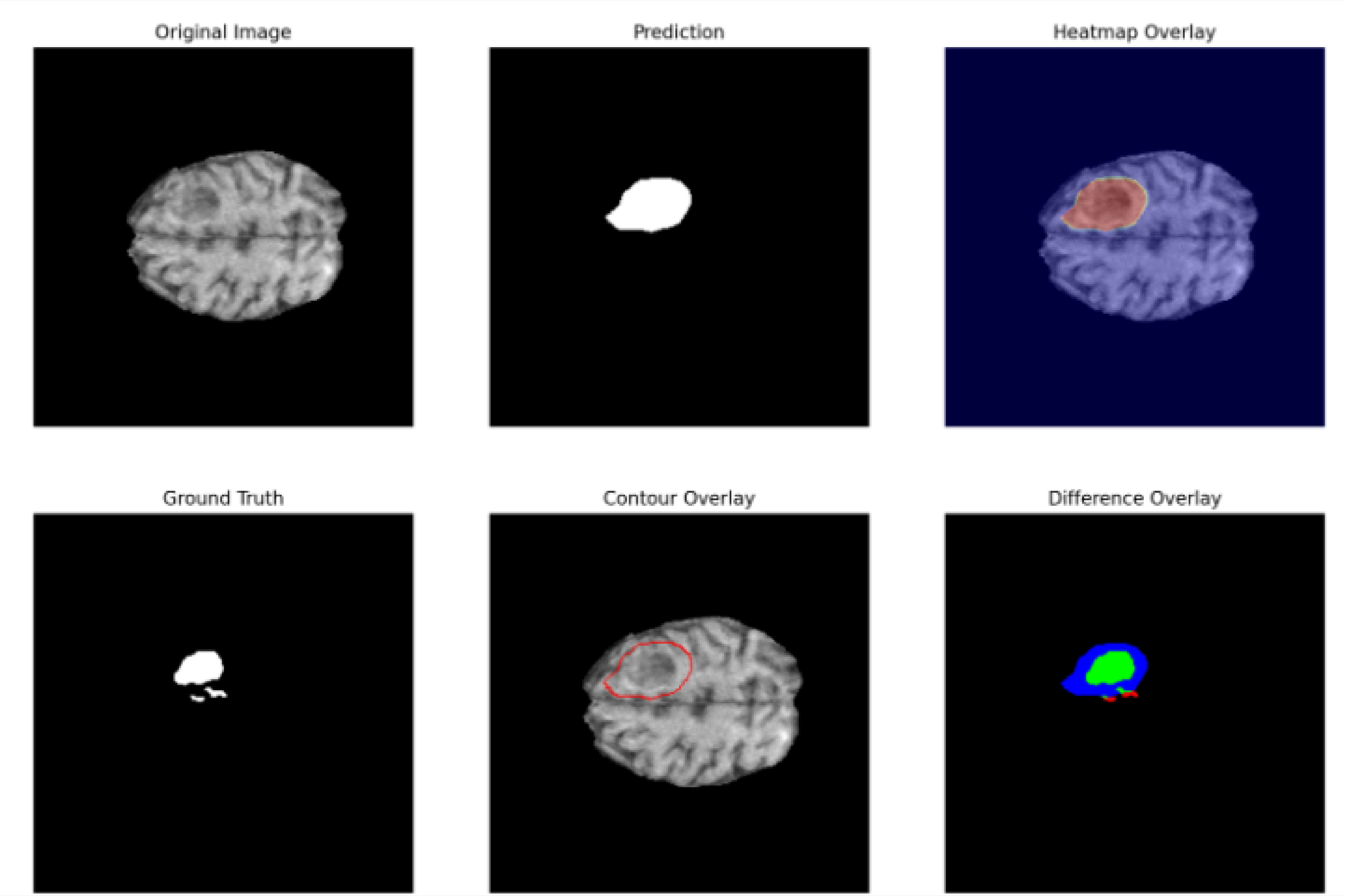
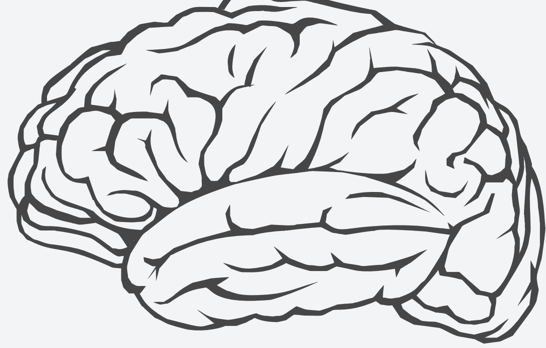


✅ Correct Tumor (Green): 520 pixels (92.04%)

❌ Missed Tumor (Red): 45 pixels (7.96%)

🔵 Over-Predicted Tumor (Blue): 832 pixels (147.26%)



OUTCOME

PAPERS

ADAPTIVE LOSS FUNCTION

MICCAI

MICCAI2025 Daejeon REPUBLIC OF KOREA

TITLE: [CALF]: A CONDITIONALLY ADAPTIVE LOSS FUNCTION TO MITIGATE CLASS-IMBALANCED SEGMENTATION THROUGH MODEL HARMONIZATION

https://arxiv.org/abs/2504.04458

GUIDE TO EXISTING LOSS FUNCTIONS

NEURAL INFORMATION PROCESSING SYSTEMS

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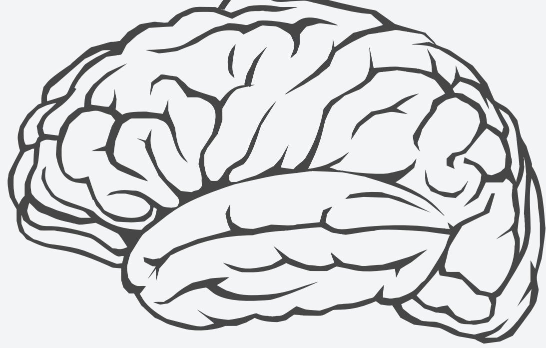
COMPLETED

EXTENDED VERSION OF CALF

IN PROGRESS



DRAWBACKS

ADAPTIVE LOSS FUNCTION

- NOT EXPLAINABLE
- NOT GENERALIZED

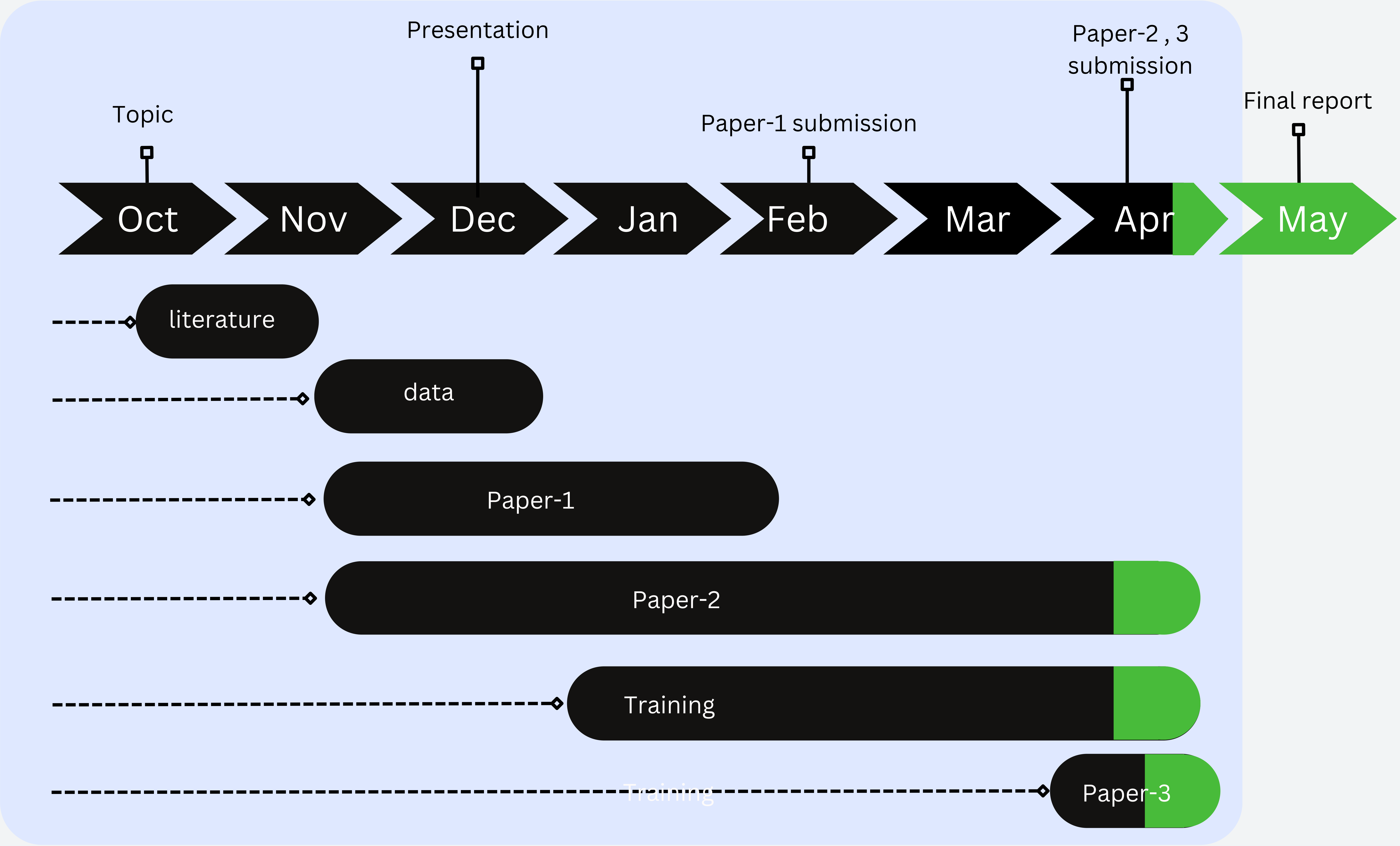
GUIDE TO EXISTING LOSS FUNCTIONS

- FINDING ACCURATE CODES OF THE LOSS FUNTIONS
- LIMITATIONS OF STREAMLIT

EXTENDED VERSION OF CALF

- BIASED SELECTION OF TRANSFORMATIONS OF ADAPTIVE LOSS
- MATHEMATICAL INSIGHTS OF NEGATIVE LOSS VALUES

NEXT STEP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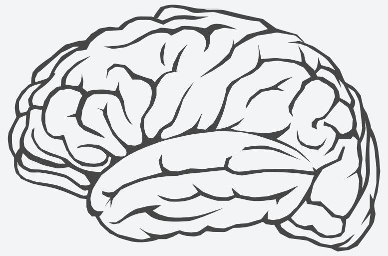
FURTHER DEVELOPMENT

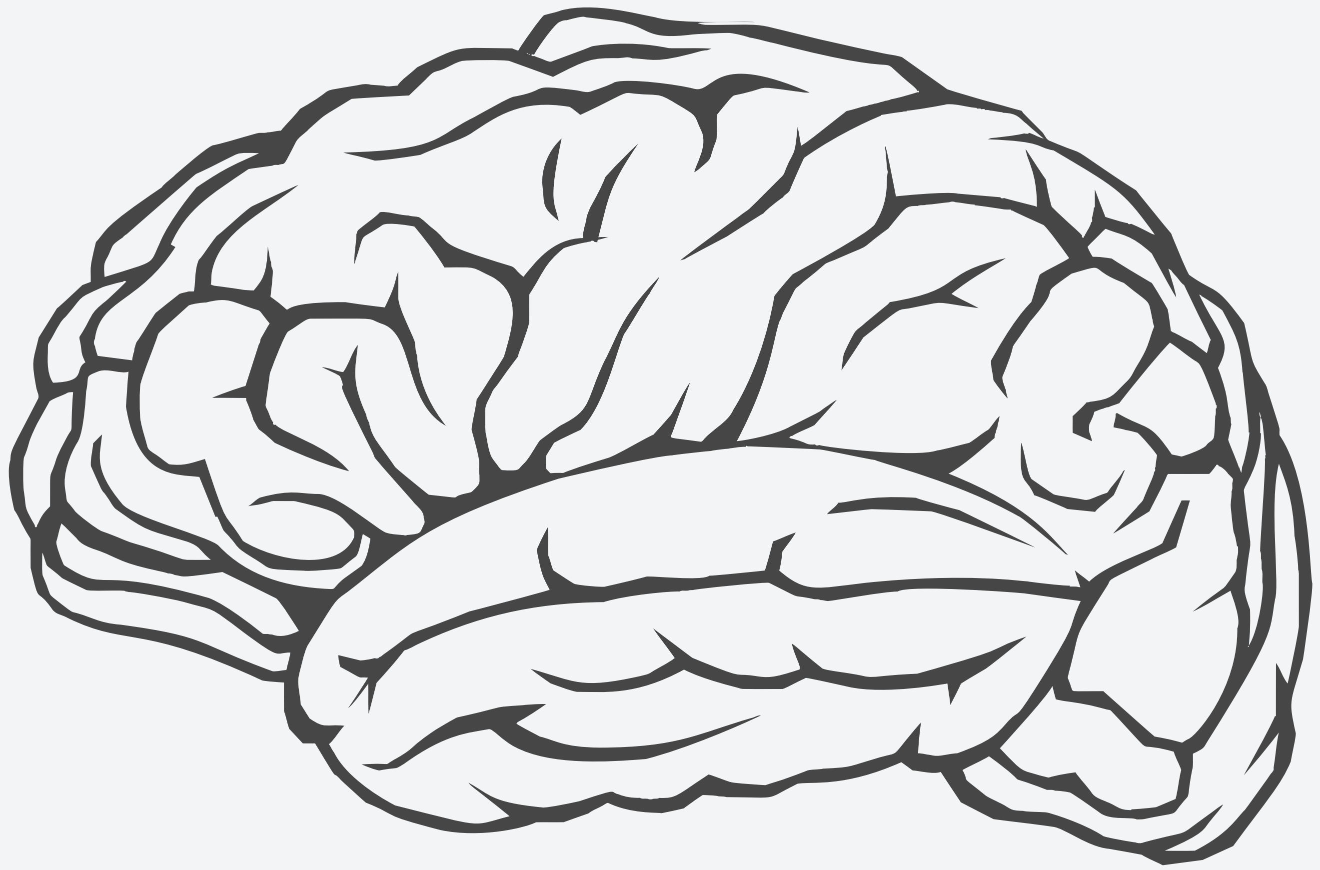
- EXPLORING THE EXPLAINABILITY MORE TO ENHANCE INTERPRETABILITY
- RETRAIN LOSS FUNCTIONS ON NEW DATASETS TO ENSURE ROBUST GENERALIZATION
- COMPLETE AND SUBMIT THE THIRD RESEARCH PAPER

CONCLUSION



- Data collection and processing
- Building training and testing pipelines
- Trained and tested CALF
- Paper submitted - CALF
- Paper 2 completed
- Build user interface
- Paper 3 under progress

THANK YOU



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UCSF-PDGM | THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA SAN FRANCISCO PREOPERATIVE DIFFUSE GLIOMA MRI

BRATS-AFRICA | EXPANDING THE BRAIN TUMOR SEGMENTATION (BRATS) DATA TO INCLUDE AFRICAN POPULATIONS

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REMIND | THE BRAIN RESECTION MULTIMODAL IMAGING DATABASE

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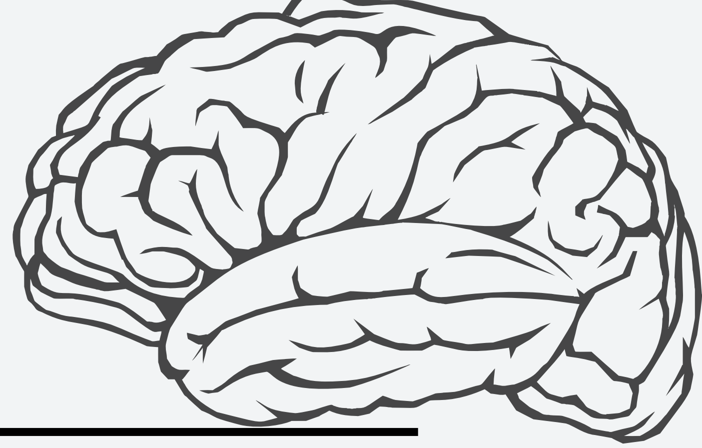

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BraTS-Africa | Expanding the Brain Tumor Segmentation (BraTS) data to include African Populations

DOI: 10.7937/v8h6-8x67 | Data Citation Required | IMAGE COLLECTION

Location	Species	Subjects	Data Types	Cancer Types	Size	Status	Updated
Brain	Human	146	MR, Segmentation, Diagnosis, Other	Brain Cancer	3.7GB	Public, Complete	2024/09/04

Data Type

- MR
- DIAGNOSIS

Cancer Type

- CNS NEOPLASMS
- DIFFUSE GLIOMA
- LOW GLIOMA
- GLIOBLASTOMA

Patients

- 146

Public

- YES

Image Size

- 240, 240, 155

Tumor Size

- 240, 240, 155

BRATS-AFRICA | EXPANDING THE BRAIN TUMOR SEGMENTATION (BRATS) DATA TO INCLUDE AFRICAN POPULATIONS

MRI Images

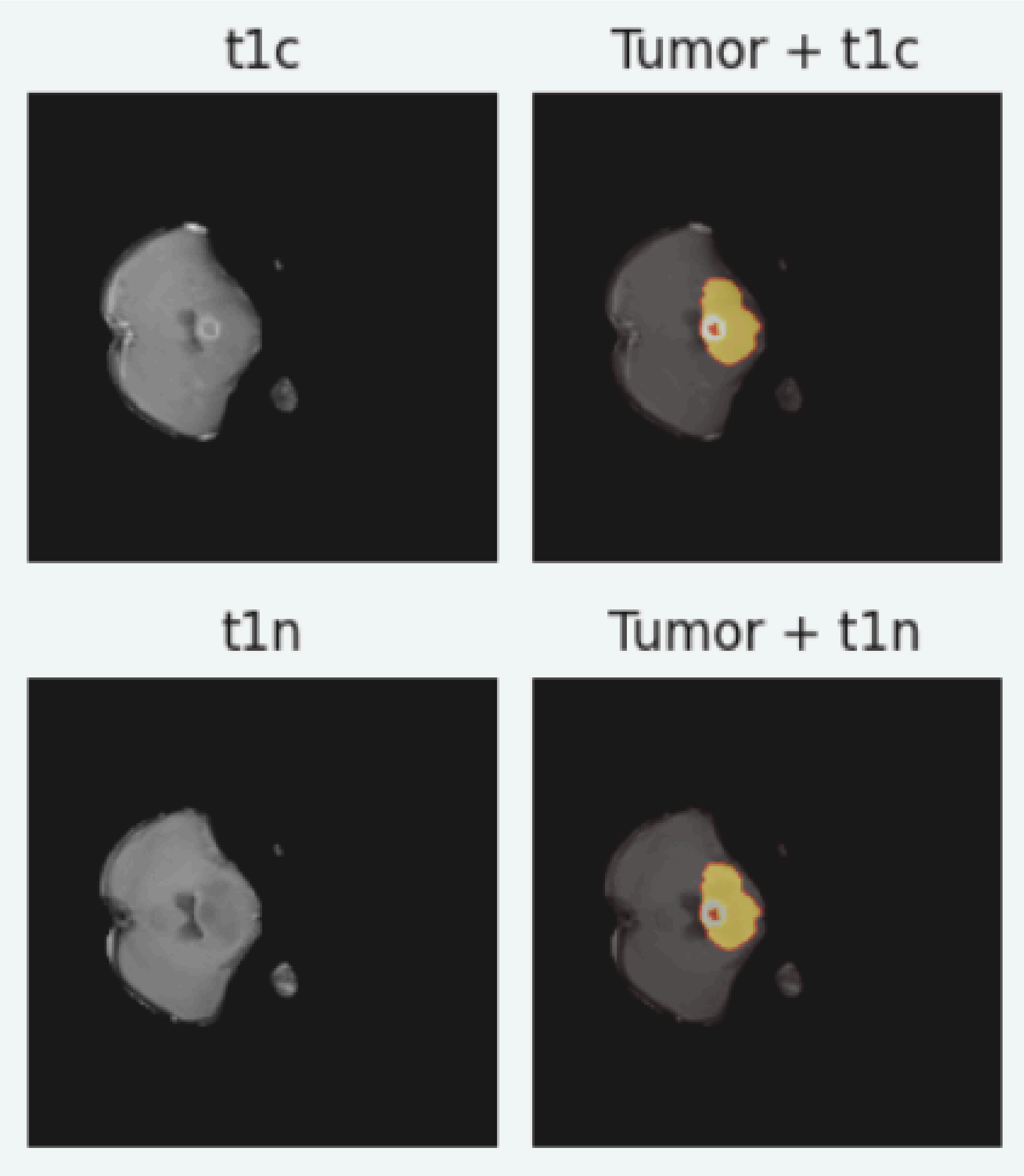
T1, T1-C, T2, FLAIR

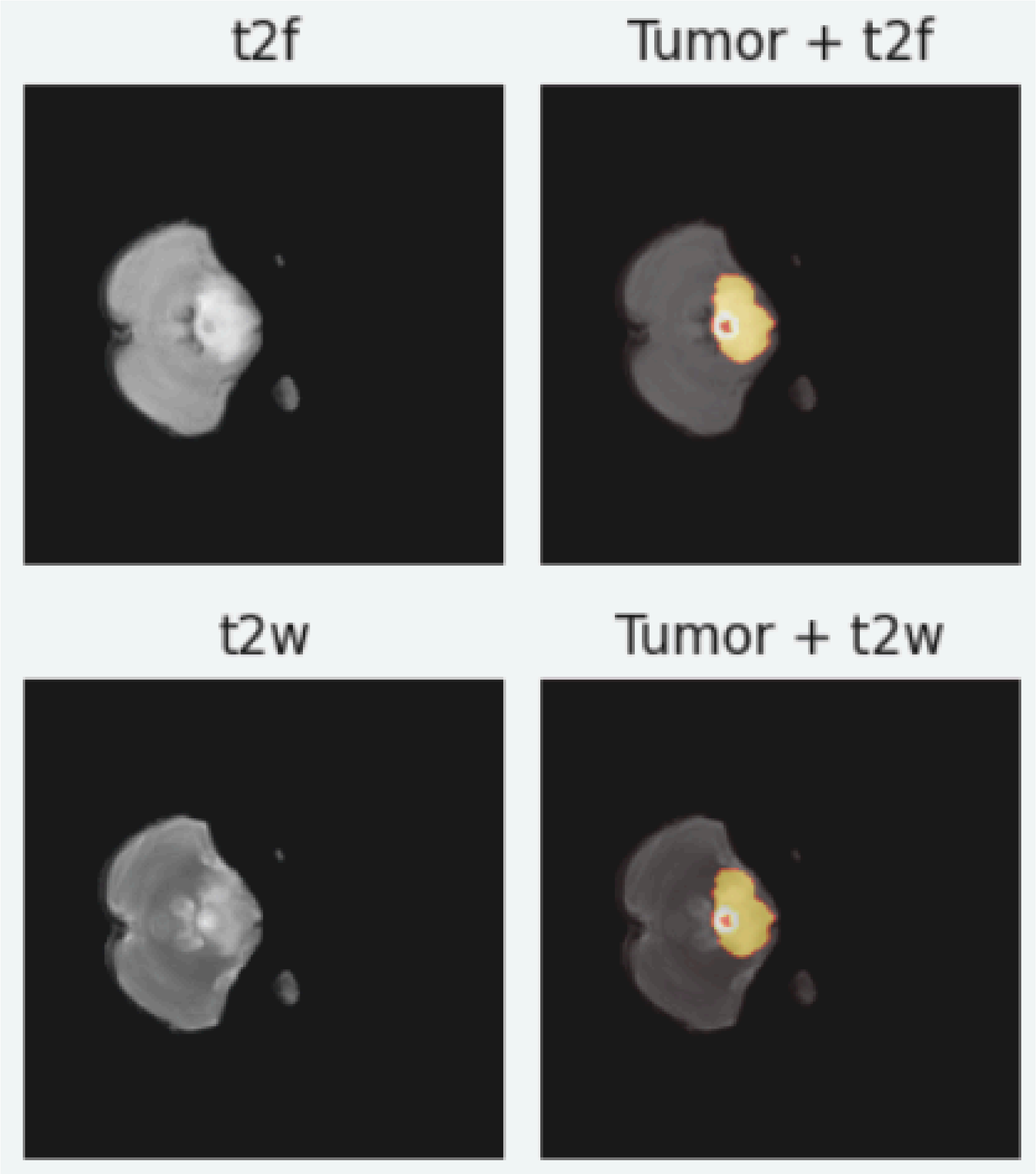
Planes

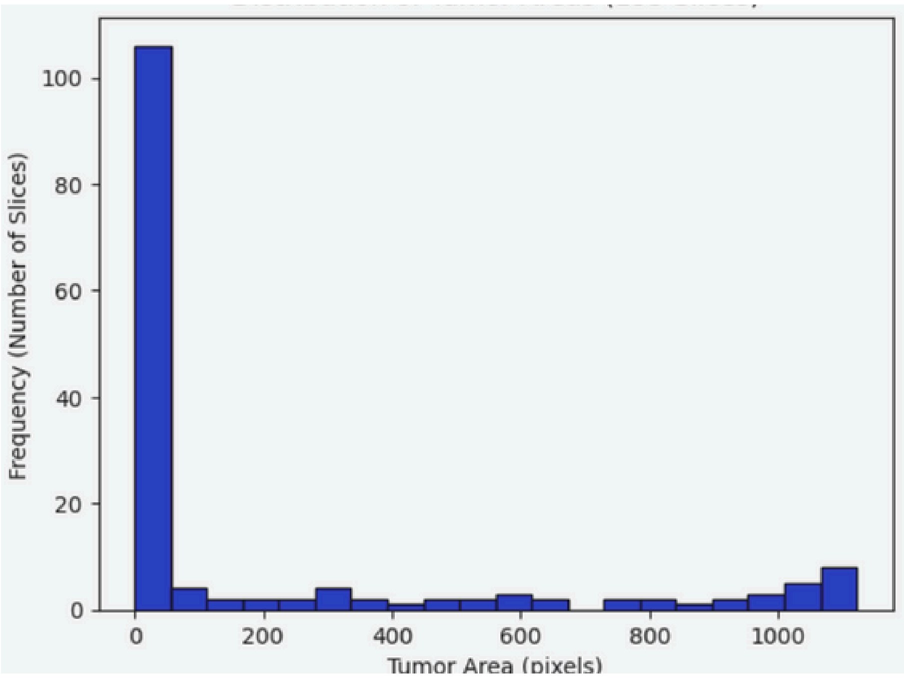
Axial

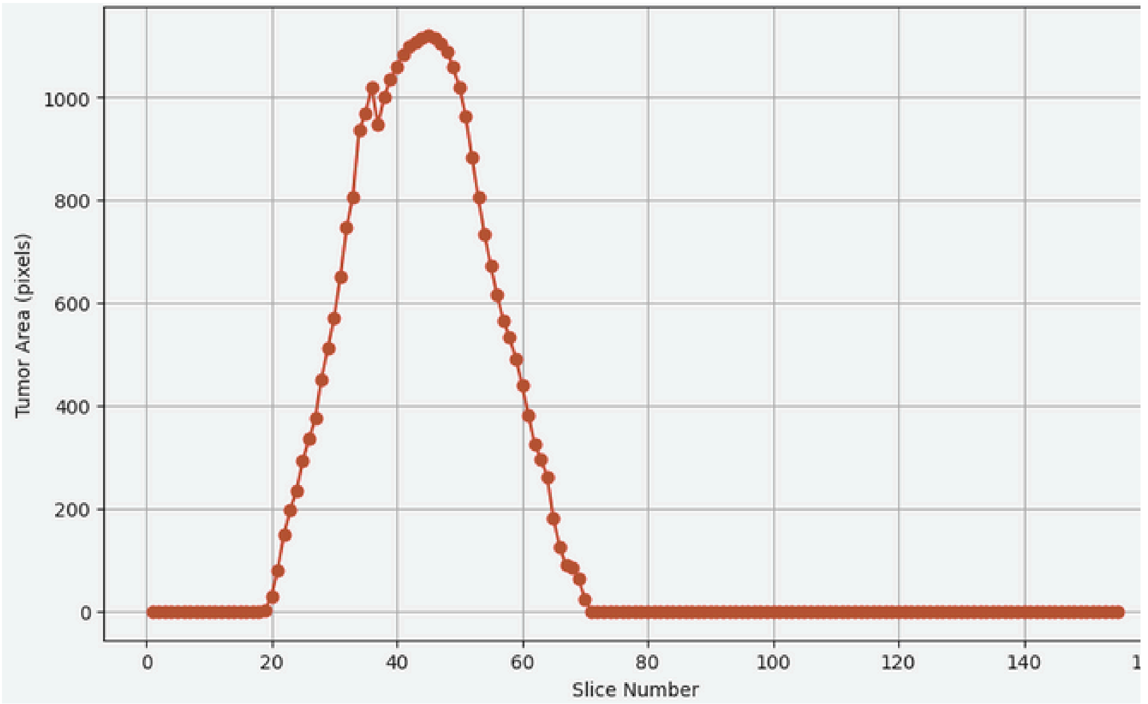
Distribution

Right Skewed









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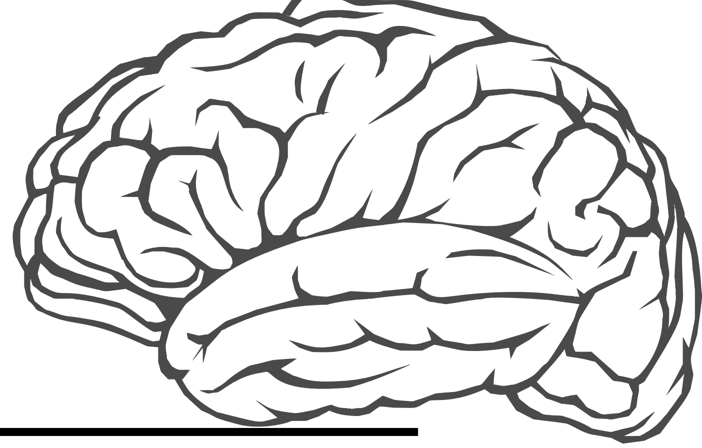

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UPENN-GBM | Multi-parametric magnetic resonance imaging (mpMRI) scans for de novo Glioblastoma (GBM) patients from the University of Pennsylvania Health System

DOI: 10.7937/TCIA.709X-DN49 | Data Citation Required | IMAGE COLLECTION

Location	Species	Subjects	Data Types	Cancer Types	Size	Supporting Data	Status	Updated
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Data Type
- MR
- HISTOPATHOLOGY (NOT SEGMENTED

Cancer Type
- GLIOBLASTOMA

Patients
- 630

Public
- YES

Image Size
- 240, 240, 155

Tumor Size
- 240, 240, 155

UPENN-GBM | MULTI-PARAMETRIC MAGNETIC RESONANCE IMAGING (MPMRI) SCANS FOR DE NOV GLIOBLASTOMA (GBM) PATIENTS FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA HEALTH SYSTEM

MRI Images

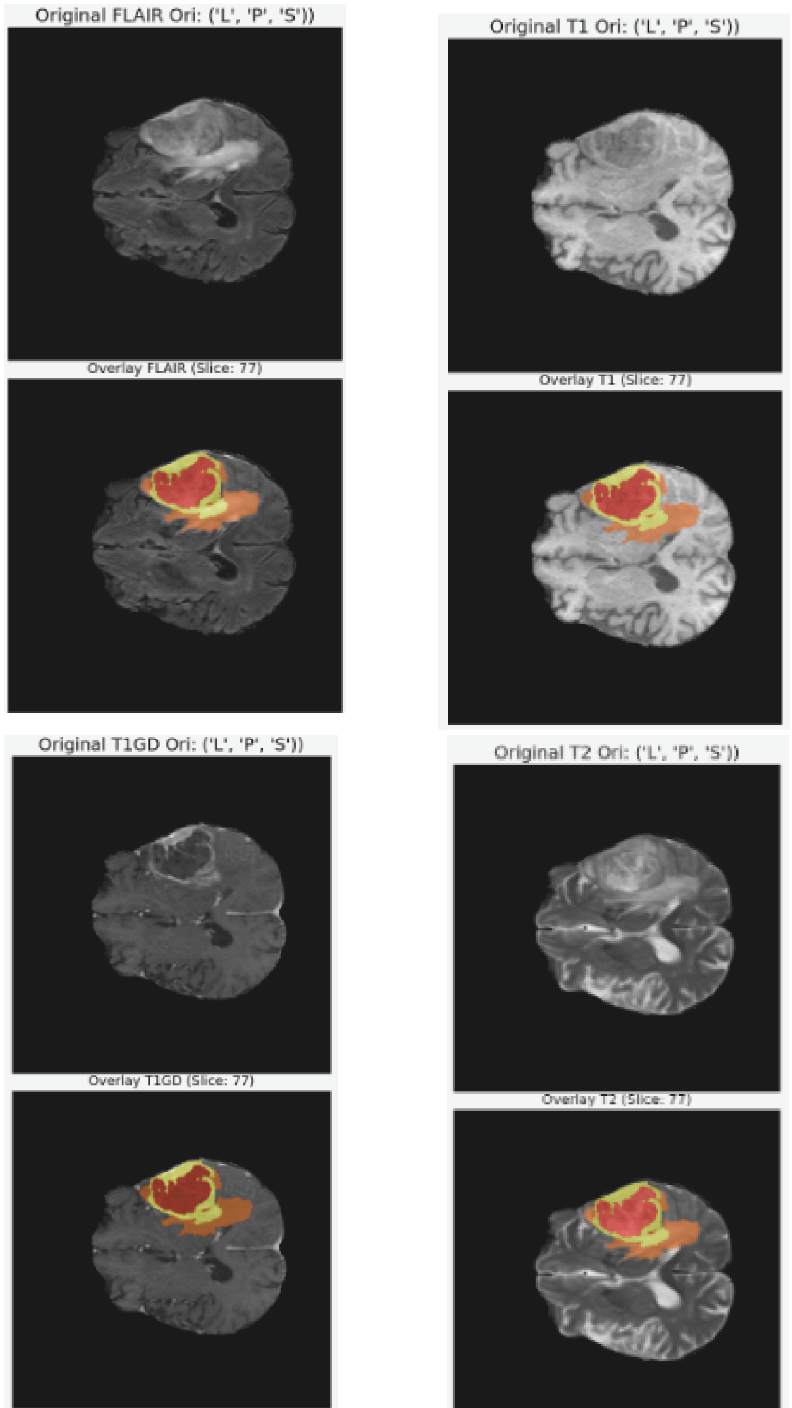
Flair, T1, T1GD, T2

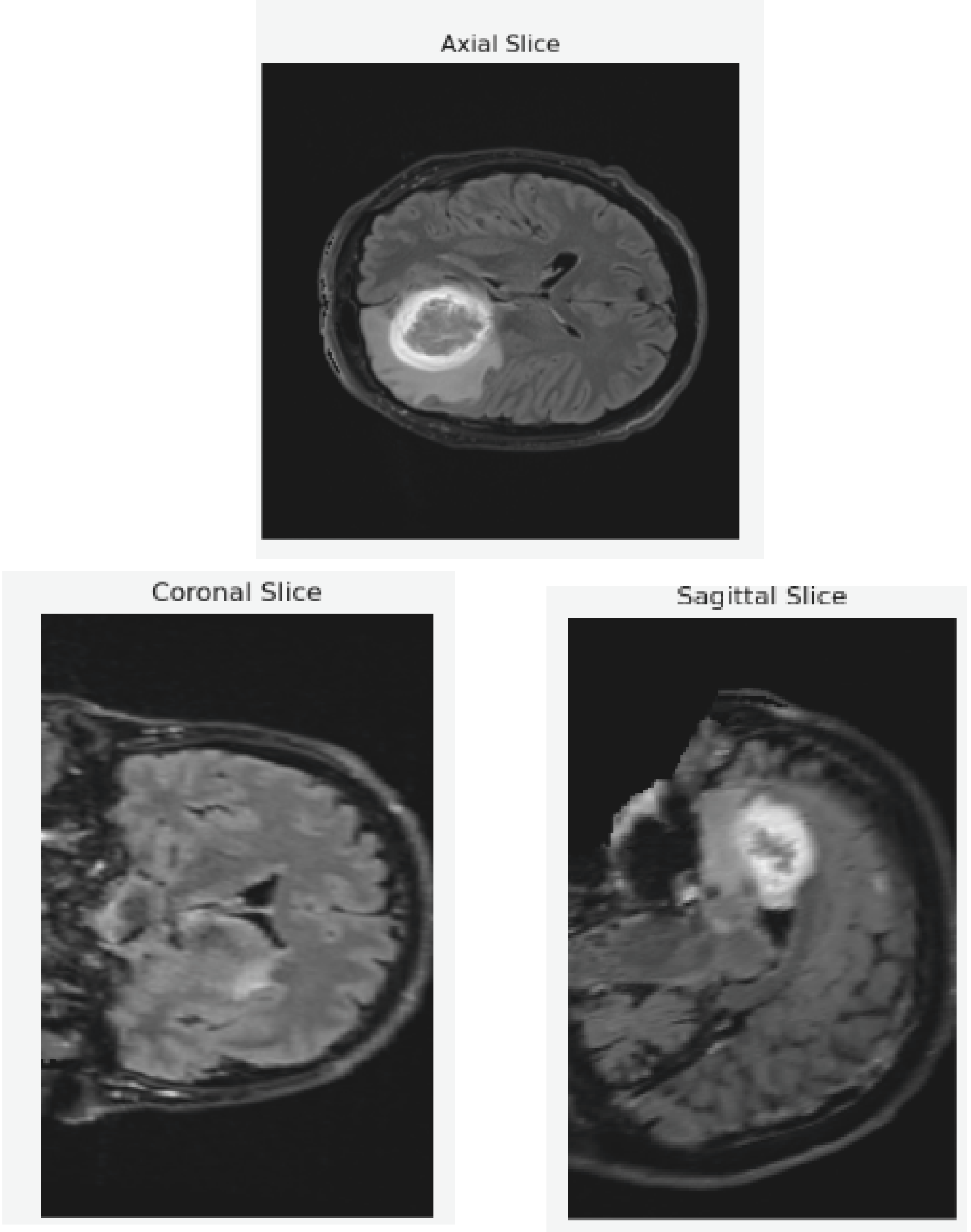
Planes

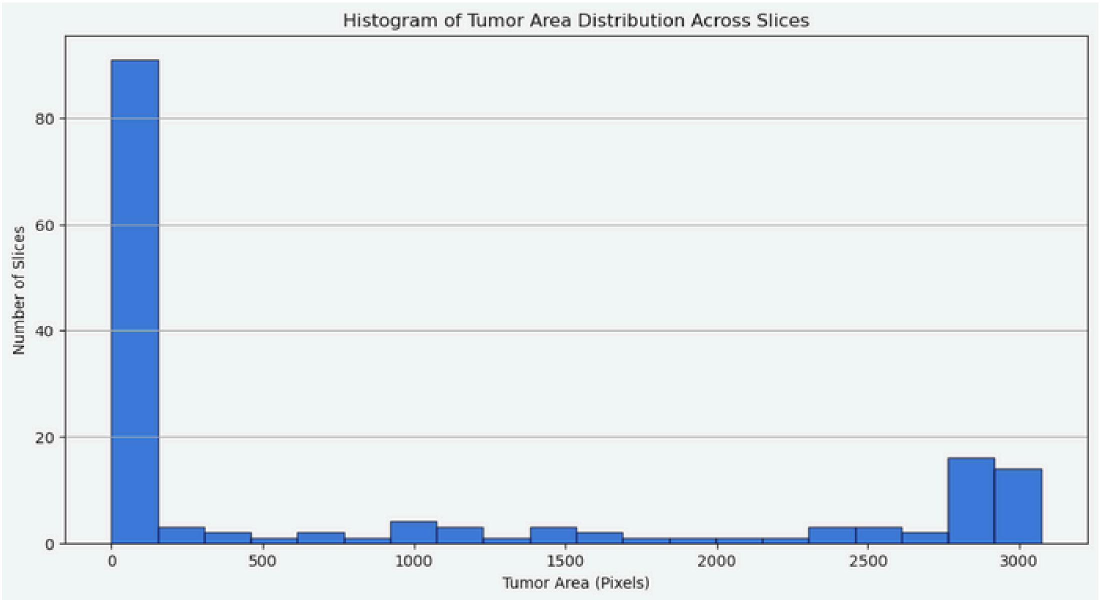
Axial, Coronal, Sagittal

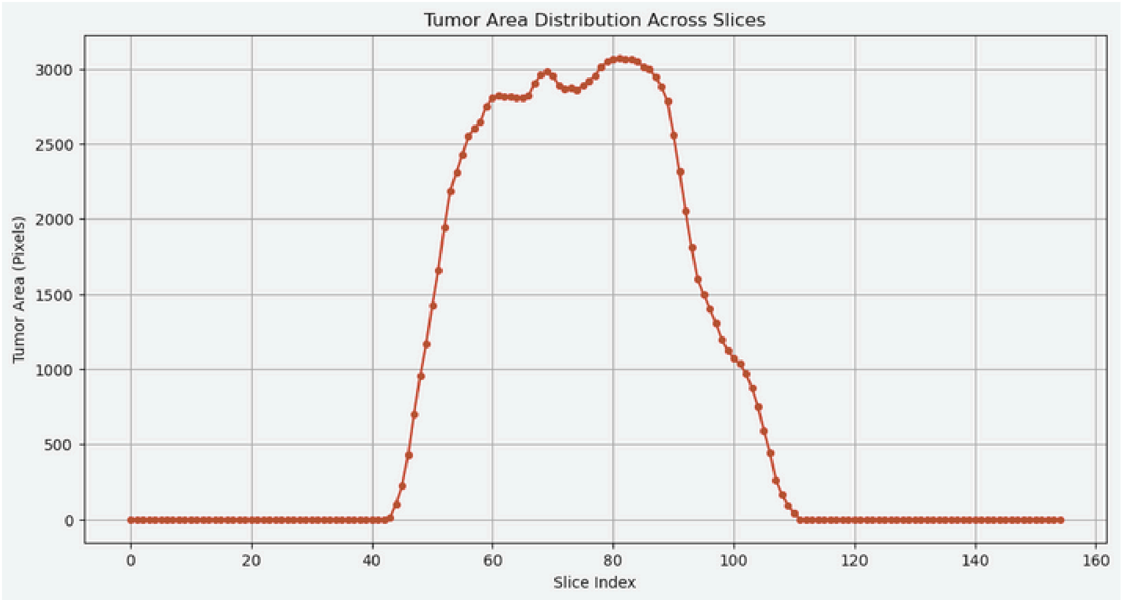
Distribution

Right Skewed









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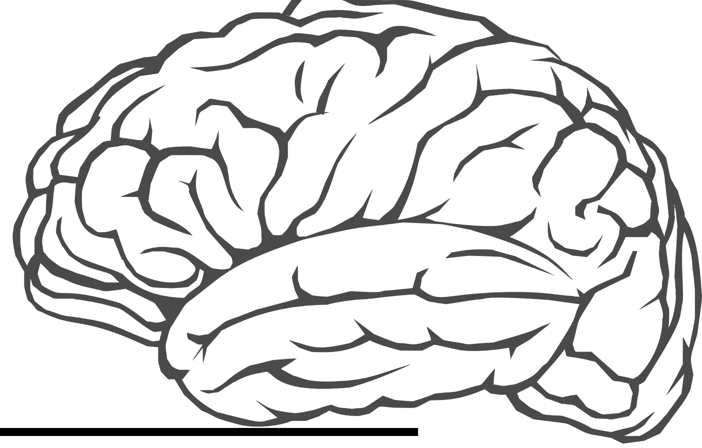

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Data Type	Cancer Type	Patients	Public	Image Size	Tumor Size
• MR	• LOW GRADE GLIOMA	• 159	• NO	• M, 256, 256	• N, 256, 256

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MRI Images

T2

Planes

Axial

Distribution

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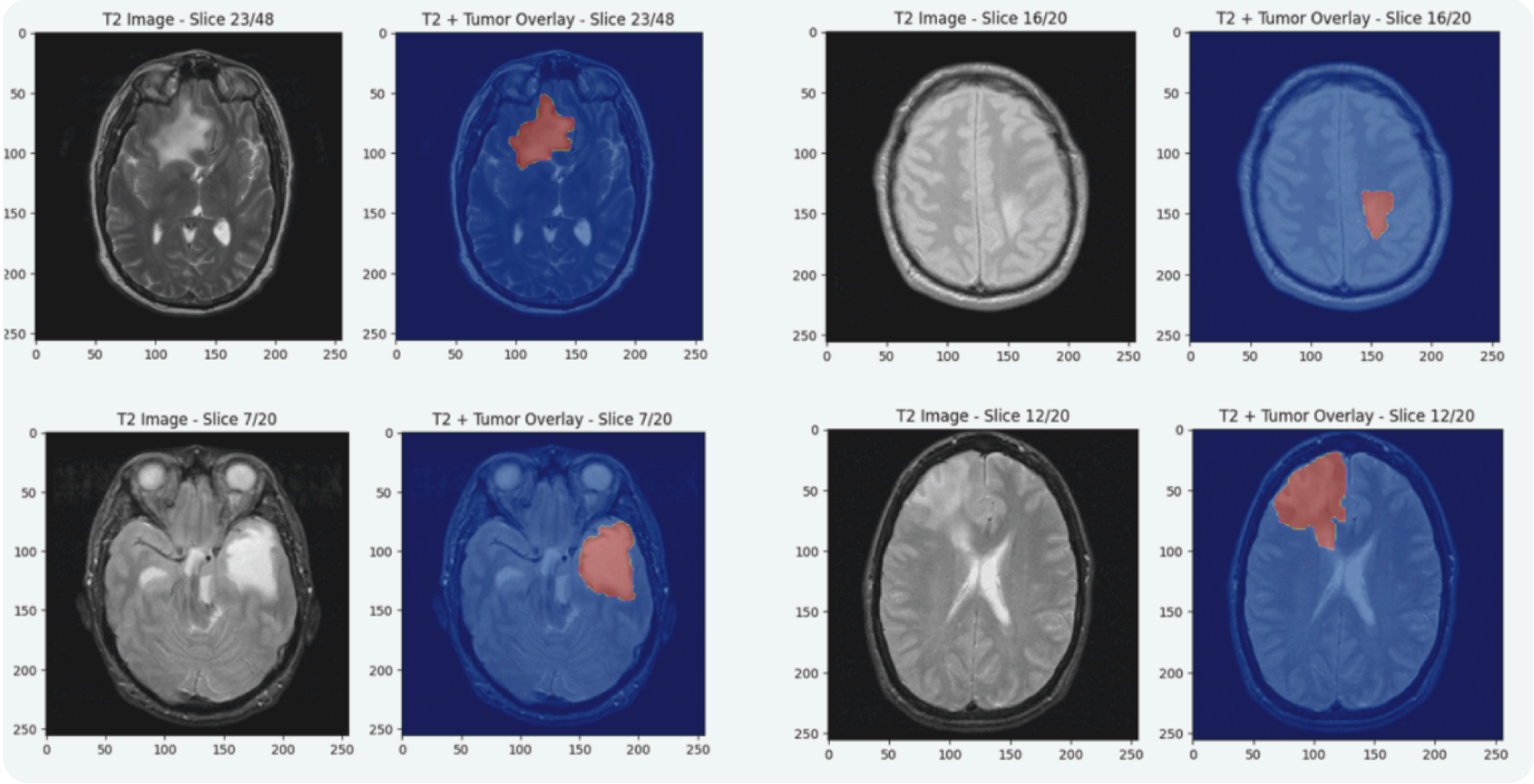

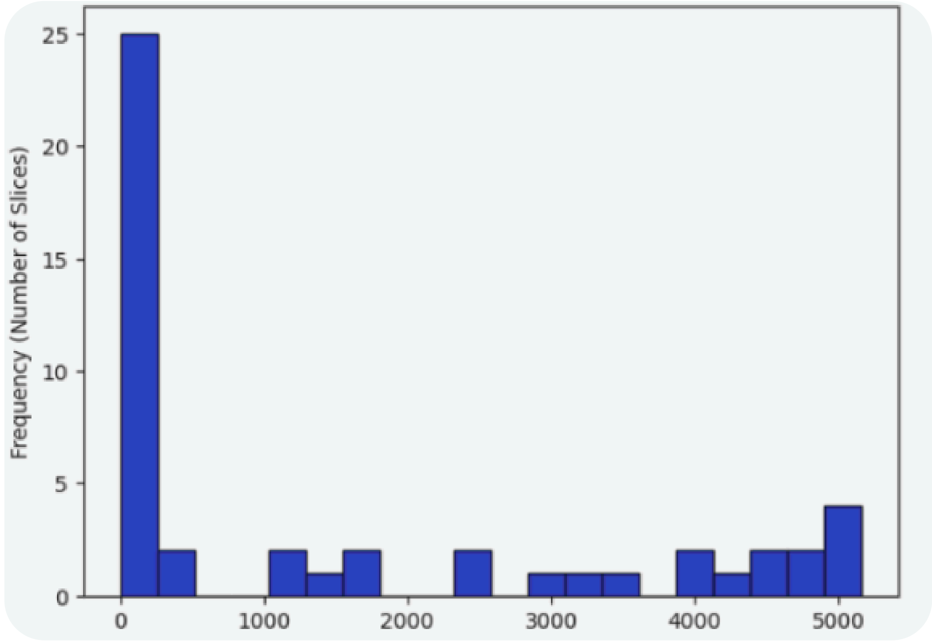

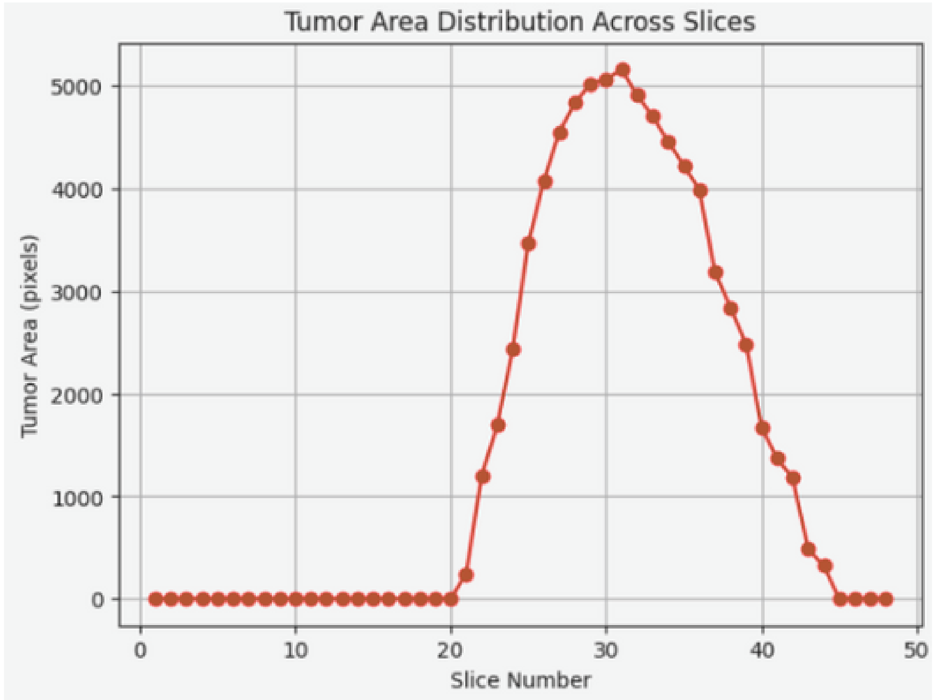

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STRENGTHS

A GUIDE ON LOSS FUNCTIONS

- CLEAR AND ORGANIZED TAXONOMY OF EXISTING LOSS FUNCTIONS
- VALUABLE FOR BOTH RESEARCHERS AND PRACTITIONERS

WELL-DOCUMENTED AND PROCESSED DATASETS

- HIGH-QUALITY DATASETS THAT HAVE BEEN PROCESSED BY EXPERTS
- ENSURES ROBUST AND RELIABLE TRAINING

INNOVATIVE APPROACH

- STATISTICALLY-DRIVEN ADAPTIVE LOSS FUNCTION
- REGION-SPECIFIC ADAPTIVE LOSS FUNCTION

VERSATILITY

- CONFIGURABLE RATIOS OF SEGMENTED AND NON-SEGMENTED IMAGES
- ENSURES ROBUST TESTING ACROSS VARIOUS CONFIGURATIONS

CLINICAL RELEVANCE

- BRIDGES THE GAP BETWEEN RESEARCH ADVANCEMENTS AND PRACTICAL IMPLEMENTATIONS

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WEAKNESSES

LACK OF MEDICAL KNOWLEDGE IN THE TEAM

- TEAM OF COMPUTER SCIENCE STUDENTS
- LIMITS OUR UNDERSTANDING OF CLINICAL NUANCES

LIMITED TIMEFRAME

- SUBMIT OUR WORK TO MICCAI BY FEBRUARY
- RESTRICT THE DEPTH OF EXPLORATION AND THE EXTENT OF TESTING

GENERALIZABILITY CONCERNS

- WORKING ON BRAIN TUMOR DATASETS
- CANNOT COMMENT ON THE APPLICABILITY OF TO OTHER MEDICAL IMAGING DOMAINS

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OPPORTUNITIES

EXPANDING APPLICATIONS

- EXPANSION TO OTHER CANCER TYPES
- INTEGRATION WITH NEW ARCHITECTURES

COLLABORATION WITH CLINICIANS

- ENGAGE WITH MEDICAL PROFESSIONALS TO IMPROVE OUR SOLUTION

PUBLICATIONS AND COLLABORATION OPPORTUNITIES

- PUBLICATION CAN LEAD TO RECOGNITION IN THE ACADEMIC AND MEDICAL IMAGING COMMUNITIES.
- CAN FOSTER COLLABORATION WITH OTHER RESEARCHERS AND INSTITUTIONS

THREATS

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SUBJECTIVITY AND ERROR IN CANCER ANNOTATIONS

- SUBJECTIVE INTERPRETATIONS BY RADIOLOGISTS
- CAN INTRODUCE INCONSISTENCIES AND ERRORS INTO THE DATA

DATA AVAILABILITY

- THE DATA FOR 1410 PATIENTS MAY NOT BE ENOUGH TO ENSURE THE RELIABILITY

OVERFITTING DUE TO HOMOGENEOUS DATASETS

- MOST OF THE DATASETS HAVE SIMILAR TUMOR DISTRIBUTIONS
- RISK OF OVERFITTING TO SPECIFIC PATTERNS IN THE DATA.

REGULATORY AND ETHICAL CONCERNS

- CHALLENGES RELATED TO REGULATIONS AND ETHICAL GUIDELINES
- NEED TO MEET STANDARDS LIKE FDA APPROVAL IN THE UNITED STATES OR CE CERTIFICATION IN EUROPE

THEORY

SKEWNESS

DATA WITH EITHER A +1 OR MORE, OR -1 OR LESS, IS SAID TO BE HIGHLY POSITIVELY/NEGATIVELY SKEWED

A MORE MODERATE POSITIVE OR NEGATIVE SKEWNESS LIES BETWEEN +0.5 AND +1, OR -0.5 AND -1 RESPECTIVELY

KURTOSIS

NORMAL DISTRIBUTION HAS KURTOSIS 3 BUT IN THE CODE FISHER ALGORITHM IS USED TO MOVE IT TO 0

A DISTRIBUTION WITH A KURTOSIS OF APPROXIMATELY 0 WOULD BE SAID TO BE MESOKURTIC.

A DISTRIBUTION WITH A KURTOSIS OF LESS THAN 0 (AND THEREFORE A NEGATIVE EXCESS KURTOSIS) IS PLATYKURTIC.

A DISTRIBUTION WITH A KURTOSIS GREATER THAN 0 (AND THEREFORE A POSITIVE EXCESS KURTOSIS) IS LEPTOKURTIC. THESE KINDS OF DISTRIBUTIONS ARE MORE PRONE TO THE PRESENCE OF OUTLIERS BECAUSE THE MAJORITY OF POINTS CLOSE TO THE MEAN RESULT IN A SMALLER STANDARD DEVIATION.

GUIDE TO PLANES

1. AXIAL (AX) MRI

REFERS TO A SCAN TAKEN IN THE AXIAL PLANE, WHICH SLICES THE BODY HORIZONTALLY, FROM TOP TO BOTTOM (PARALLEL TO THE GROUND). THIS PLANE DIVIDES THE BODY INTO SUPERIOR (UPPER) AND INFERIOR (LOWER) PARTS.

2. CORONAL (COR) MRI

SLICES THE BODY FROM FRONT TO BACK (LIKE A HEADBAND), DIVIDING IT INTO ANTERIOR (FRONT) AND POSTERIOR (BACK) SECTIONS.

3. SAGITTAL (SAG) MRI

SLICES THE BODY FROM SIDE TO SIDE, DIVIDING IT INTO LEFT AND RIGHT PARTS.

4. OBLIQUE MRI

SCAN IS TAKEN IN AN ANGLED PLANE

GUIDE TO MRI SCAN TYPES

T1-WEIGHTED IMAGING (T1WI)

DESCRIPTION: PROVIDES HIGH CONTRAST BETWEEN DIFFERENT SOFT TISSUES.

USE CASES:

ANATOMICAL DETAIL: GREAT FOR VISUALIZING THE BRAIN'S ANATOMY, FAT TISSUES, AND NORMAL STRUCTURAL DETAIL.

POST-CONTRAST ENHANCEMENT: T1WI IS OFTEN USED AFTER ADMINISTERING GADOLINIUM CONTRAST AGENTS TO VISUALIZE ENHANCED AREAS LIKE TUMORS OR INFLAMMATION.

2. T2-WEIGHTED IMAGING (T2WI)

DESCRIPTION: FLUIDS APPEAR BRIGHT, WHILE TISSUES LIKE FAT APPEAR DARKER COMPARED TO T1WI.

USE CASES:

DETECTING EDEMA, INFLAMMATION, AND PATHOLOGICAL CHANGES.

IDENTIFYING BRAIN LESIONS, TUMORS, OR ABNORMALITIES INVOLVING INCREASED WATER CONTENT.

DIFFERENTIATING BETWEEN VARIOUS TYPES OF TISSUES BASED ON WATER CONTENT.

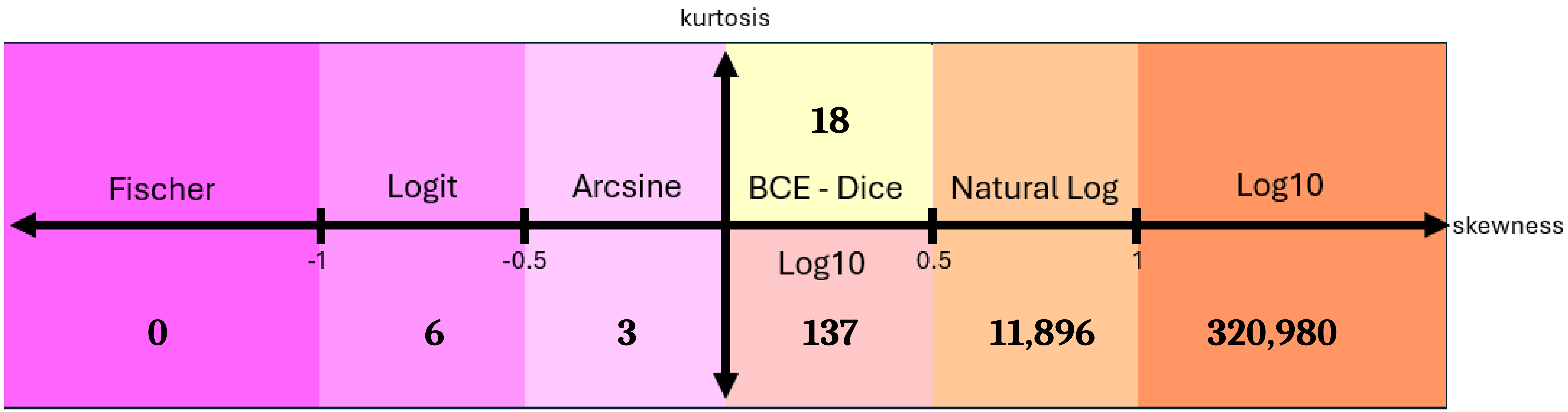
3. FLAIR (FLUID-ATTENUATED INVERSION RECOVERY)

DESCRIPTION: SIMILAR TO T2-WEIGHTED IMAGING, BUT SUPPRESSES SIGNALS FROM FLUIDS LIKE CEREBROSPINAL FLUID (CSF), MAKING LESIONS NEAR FLUID-FILLED AREAS MORE VISIBLE.

USE CASES:

DETECTING LESIONS IN CONDITIONS LIKE MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS OR BRAIN INJURIES.

VISUALIZING BRAIN ABNORMALITIES NEAR VENTRICLES AND SULCI.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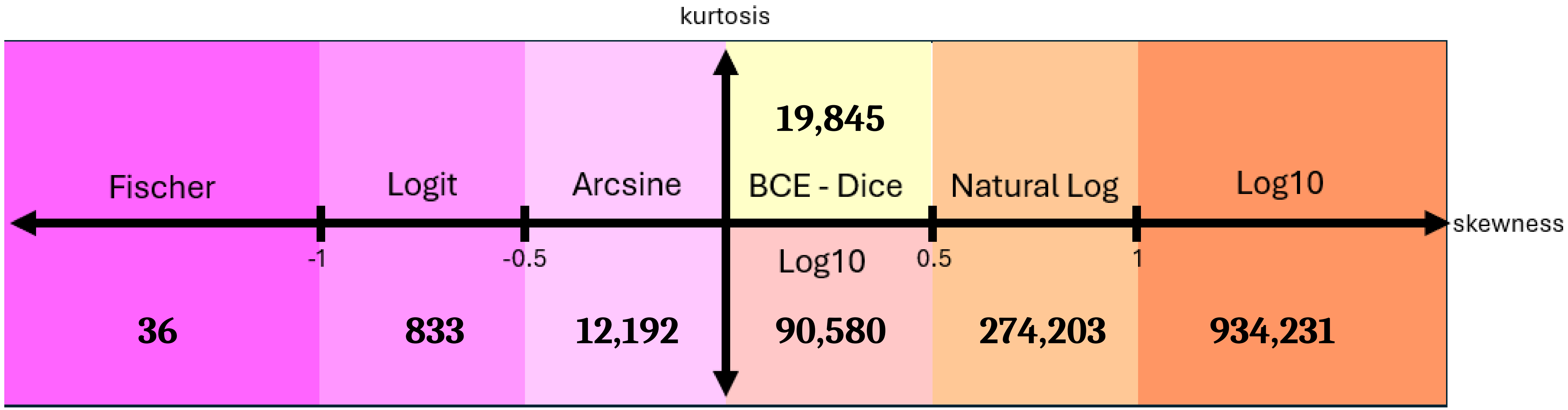
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