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# BENIGN V. MALIGNANT MELANOMA CLASSIFICATION

#### WHY DO WE NEED TO IMPROVE MELANOMA CLASSIFICATIONS?

Melanoma is the deadliest form of skin cancer in the world

Despite making up only 20-25% of all skin cancer incidents, melanoma accounts for ~75% of all skin cancer related deaths

High False-Positive rate: 9% of 1000 = 185 Unnecessary Biopsies

# MODEL GOALS & PREDICTIONS

- "... the dermatologists accurately detected an average of 86.6% of melanomas, and correctly identified an average of 71.3% of lesions that were not malignant."
- Diagnosis varies by 10% via Visual Examination
- Goal: > 69%-71.3%





#### INTERNATIONAL SKIN IMAGING COLLABORATION

Dataset

Total: 15476, Train: 9692, Test: 4135, Val: 1937

Data Demographics

Ages: 15 - 75 years old; Sex: Female: 48%, Male: 52%

Lesion Types:

Basal Cell Carcinoma, Seborrheic Keratosis, etc...

#### MODELS & METHOD

Keras

Size:  $224 \times 224$ ; Batch = 32, 128; Epochs = 10, 40

PyTorch

Size:  $224 \times 224$ ; Batch = 8; Epochs = 20; Scrapped

PyTorch.Resnet34

Size:  $256 \times 256$ ; Batch = 128; Epochs = 6, 4; Pre-trained

## CAN WE ACCURATELY CLASSIFY BENIGN V MALIGNANT LESIONS?

Keras Model: 2

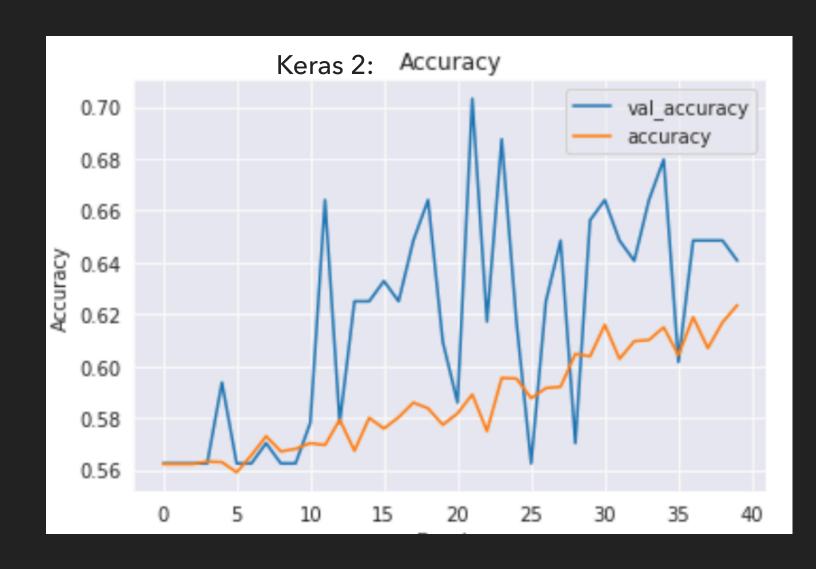
Accuracy: ~76%

Loss: .599

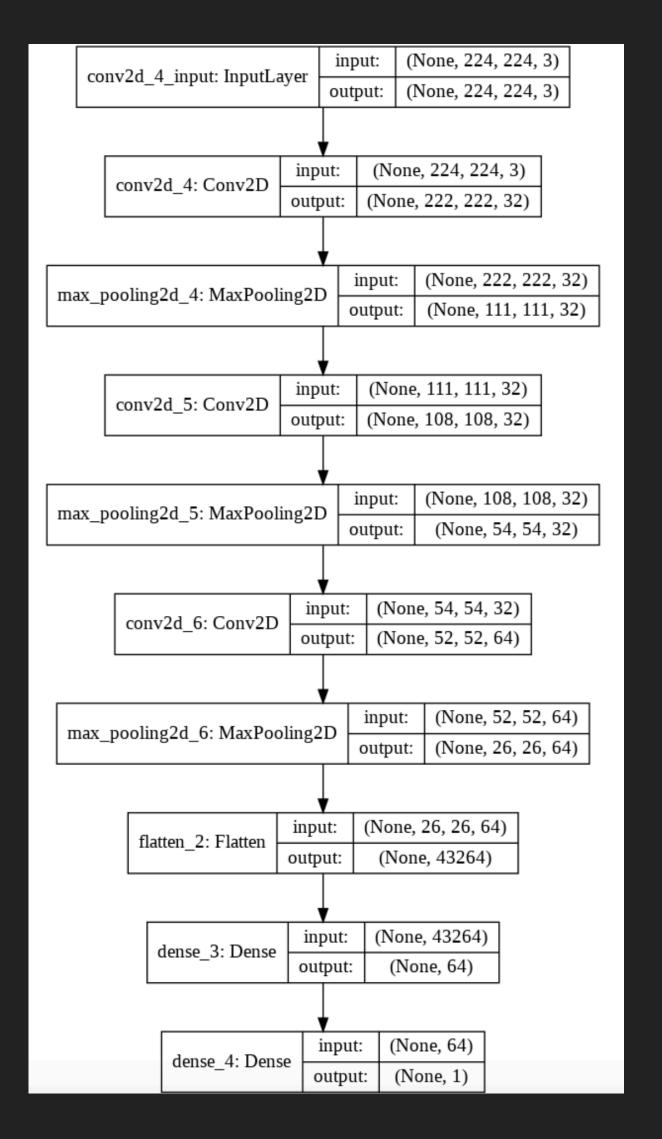
PyTorch.Resnet: FC

Accuracy: ~74%

Loss: .546







#### HOW DID WE DO?

- ▶ Each of our base models (Keras: 1 & 2; PyTorch: ResNet32 FC)
  - Models: 73% 76%, Visual Exam: 71.3%, 69% min
- Base PyTorch Model
  - BCE v. CrossEntropy Loss functions failed
- ResNet32, Tuned
  - ResNet performs best tuning the single Fully Connected layer

# HOW CAN WE IMPROVE THESE MODELS?

No Racial Diversity

Image Uniformity

Higher Epochs: ResNet

Multi-Categorical

Computational Power

**API Datasets** 





### WHAT'S NEXT?

Train the three base models with more diverse, uniform datasets

Implement as a supplementary app or software to aid dermatologists and oncologists

Consumer friendly mobile application

# THANK YOU!