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# Chapter 1

## Introduction

### 1.1 Introduction

Skin cancer is categorized into two types: melanoma skin cancer. Detection and classification of unknown pigmented skin lesions can result in early diagnosis of the medical problem. Melanoma is the most dangerous kind of skin cancer accounted for an estimated 16,000 deaths each year from 2014 to 2016 in the United Kingdom (Cancer Research UK, 2020). The melanoma tumour caused by melanocytes can result in uncontrolled and abnormal growth which can spread in the human body (Korotkov and Garcia 2012). The previous research in 2017 has shown that melanoma was the 20th most common disorder with new incidents of 81,00 and 83,00 in males and females in the United Kingdom (Korotkov & Garcia 2012). Dermoscopy is a non-invasive method of examining the pigmented skin, which includes microscopic imaging of the surface structure of pigmented skin lesions (Korotkov & Garcia 2012). Early diagnosis of pigmented skin lesions is crucial to classify skin disorders to decrease mortality concerning particular skin disorders. Dermoscopy improves the detection of melanoma compared to detection of disease with naked eyes by analysing the pigmented skin lesion. Previous studies have shown that such tumours can result in higher chances of better treatment and cure of disease by removing the tumour (Celebi, Kingravi, Uddin, Iyatomi, Aslandogan, Stoecker & Moss 2007). The current diagnosis method of detection involves using ABCD rule which considers the Asymmetry, Border irregularity, Colour irregularities, Dermoscopic structures respectively of common pigmented skin lesions (Loescher, Janda, Soyer, Shea & Curiel-Lewandrowski 2013). People working in busy work environments or less mobility can be victims of belated and slow diagnosis of such dangerous skin cancers. The automated analysis of pigmented skin lesions using artificial neural networks can be beneficial in optical analysis of microscopic images of pigmented skin lesions. The primary targeted audience who benefits from the outcome is the people who are working in busy work environments or people with less mobility are best to use cases which can use such an automated

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system. Booking a prior appointment with medical professionals based on the urgency of detected medical problems can result in the immediate treatment of patients with more critical conditions. The people with less mobility such as older audiences or people with special needs can detect pigmented skin lesions through online systems in an inconvenient manner. Medical institutions can use such technologies to automate the process of pre-health checkups and overcome the problem of shortage of staff members in case of emergency. Such automated systems can also result in faster diagnosis of medical problems compared to a manual analysis by a clinician. Furthermore, manufacturing companies which supply the microscopic medical instruments can also use such intelligent models with their products to provide value to customers and medical institutions.

**The research focuses** on developing Convolutional Neural Network for automated optical analysis of pigmented skin lesions.

## 1.2 Pigmented Skin Lesions

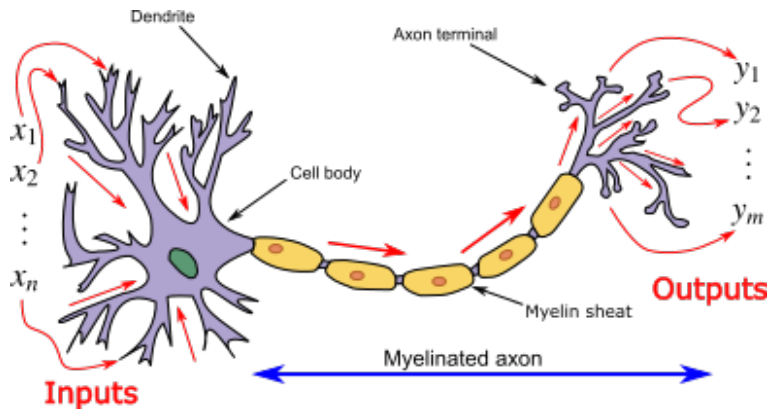
1. Melanoma. 2. Benign keratosis-like lesions. 3. Melanocytic nevi. 4. Vascular lesions.



## 1.3 Biological Inspiration for Neural Networks

The human brain are composed of millions specialised cell "neurons" which are interconnected to each other which carry electrical and chemical signals from neuron to another to function. There are an estimated 500 trillion connections between neurons in the human nervous system which helps communicate signals (Patterson & Gibson 2017). The fundamental component of neural networks, which is the perceptron model, is inspired by the single neuron structure.

### Structure of Neurons



The image above represents the biological structure of the neuron which includes three major parts of a neuron dendrite, nucleus and axon terminals. The dendrites are accountable for accepting the incoming signals from other neurons. Moreover, nucleus of the neuron is responsible for processing the information. Furthermore, the processed information gets passed to other neuron or organs through axon terminals in the human body.

### 1.3.1 Perceptron Model

### 1.4 Artificial Neural Networks

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### 1.4.1 Deep Neural Networks

### 1.4.2 Backpropagation

## Chapter 2

# Literature Review

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## Chapter 3

# Methodology

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## Chapter 4

# Evaluations and Results

In this chapter, you should evaluate what you have done, and say what answer (to your research question) you have arrived at. It may be that in your method you describe some experiments, and this section records your results and analysis of those results. This is an important section – most students gain or lose marks in either their literature review or evaluation. The key to producing a convincing evaluation is to plan very early in the project what information or results you will need to write this section.

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# Project Managment

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## Chapter 6

# Reflection

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## Chapter 7

# Conclusion

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