

Hemolysis Identification Using Capsules Network



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Introduction: bacteria culturing

- Clinical Microbiology is concerned with the prevention, diagnosis and treatment of pathogenic diseases.
- A microbiological culture is a technique of growing microbial organisms that is useful for pathogens identification..
- **Blood agar**: Is a mixture of nutrient agar and 5% sheep blood:
 - Is used for isolation and cultivation of many types of pathogenic bacteria.



Introduction: hemolysis

- Some bacteria species produce exoenzymes that lyse red blood cells and degrade haemoglobin; these are called hemolytic.
- There are three different types of **hemolysis** on the agar plate: Alpha, Beta and Gamma.

① Alpha(α) hemolysis

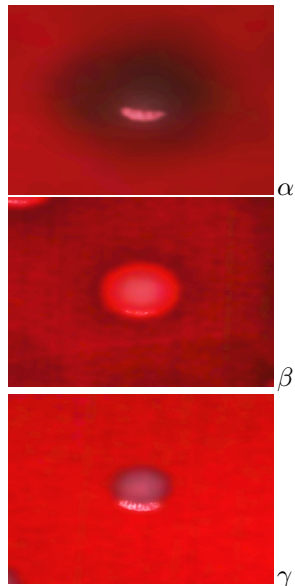
- Is a partial hemolysis.
- Produces olive green discoloration.

② Beta(β) hemolysis

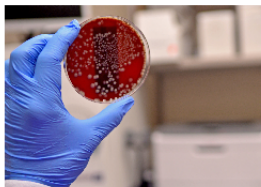
- Is a complete breakdown of the red blood.
- Produces a lightened(yellowish) and halo around the colony.

③ Gamma(γ) hemolysis

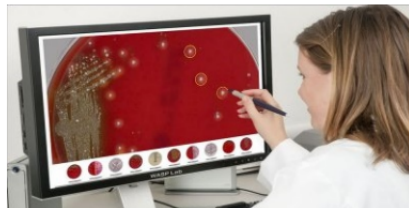
- No hemolysis.
- Looks uniform and has shiny white growth.



Automated system for Clinical microbiology



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Problem Statement

- It is challenging for the clinical microbiologist to quickly identify the hemolysis.
- It can be difficult for a microbiologist to clearly see hemolysis effects looking at digital images.
- The objective of this thesis is to design and evaluate an image analysis method for the detection and classification of hemolysis effects.

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Proposed Approach

- A deep learning solution, based on **convolutional capsule network** is used for classification of three types of images of hemolysis.
- The system should help the microbiologist to accurately classify hemolysis images.

Proposed Method

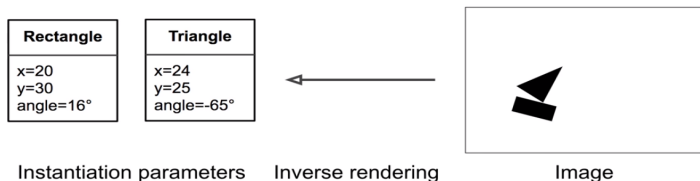
- Capsule network(Caps Net) are an improvement on convolutional neural network(CNNs).
 - Solve problems of CNN which losses information regarding order and feature orientation.
 - Your brain can easily recognize this is the same object.
 - CNNs can not effectively handle rotations and other spatial transforms.



- Capsule network is more robust to the change in transformation and how the image is positioned.

Proposed Method

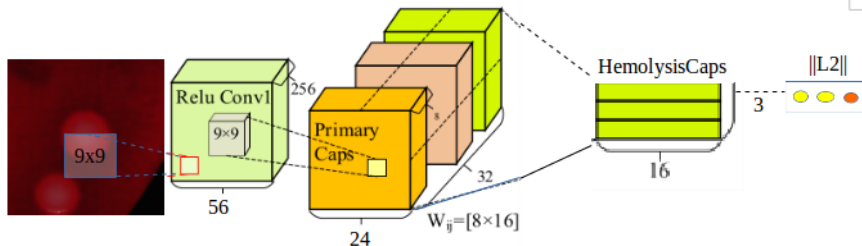
- Capsules are groups of neurons.
- Each capsule represent the presence and the instantiation parameter of multi-dimensional entity of the type that the capsule detects.
- If a capsule detects an object, the capsule outputs two things:
 - 1 The probability that an object of that type is present.
 - 2 Instantiation parameters including the precise pose.



- Capsule networks specifically implement an inverse rendering process.

Proposed Method: CapsNet architecture Encoder

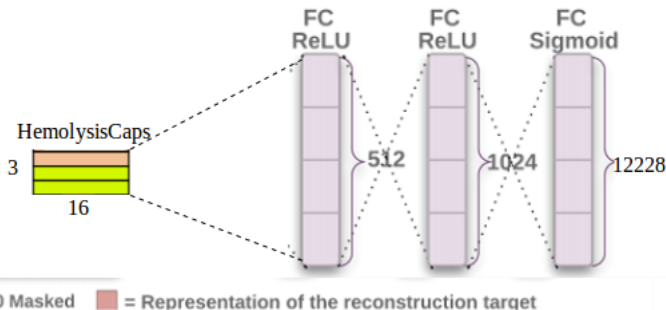
- A convolution layer is applied to extract primary feature maps.
- Primary caps layer.
 - This layer is used to divide feature maps into capsules.
- HemolysisCaps layer.
 - The 3 higher level capsule(of 16D) represent the 3 final "Hemolysis/class entities"
- Loss function
 - The max normal loss which allows to do classification



CapsNet Encoder

Proposed Method: CapsNet architecture Decoder

- Decoder structure to reconstruct an image from the HemolysisCap layer representation.
 - Reconstruction layer consists of only a few fully connected layers.
 - Minimize the loss generated between initial image and the original image.
 - This method acts like regularizer that easily cut back the over-fitting within the model.

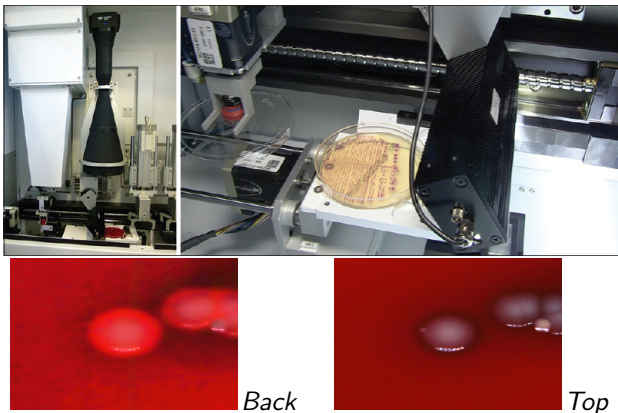


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Dataset Description

- Hemolysis images are actually photos of back lit images and top lit images.



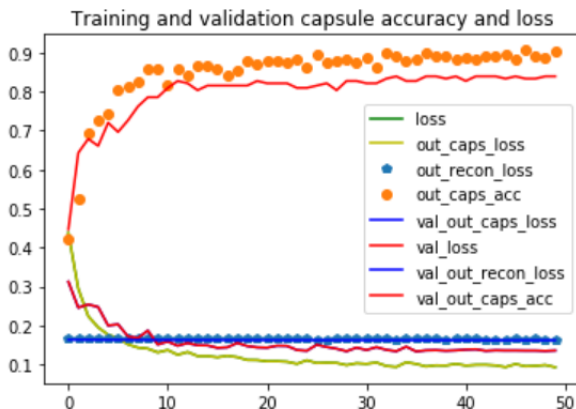
Dataset Description

- The dataset distributed as follow

Classes	Training data	validation data	Test data
ALPHA	200	56	56
BETA	200	56	56
GAMMA	200	56	56
Total	600	168	168

Training Accuracy

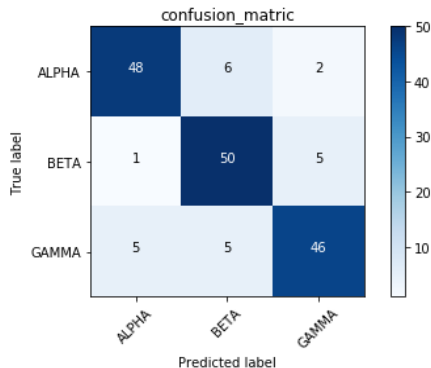
- It is clear that the accuracy is increasing and loss reducing per epoch.
- The training accuracy nearly 90%.



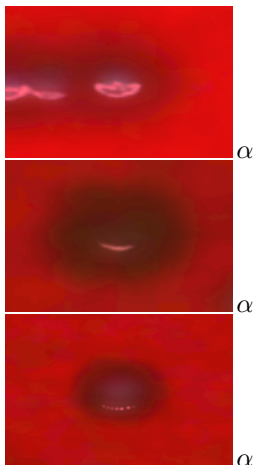
Prediction results

- β hemolysis is predicted better than the γ and α hemolysis.
- The percentage of β correctly predicted is 89.29%.
- α correctly predicted is 85.71%.
- γ correctly predicted is 82.14%.

Prediction results



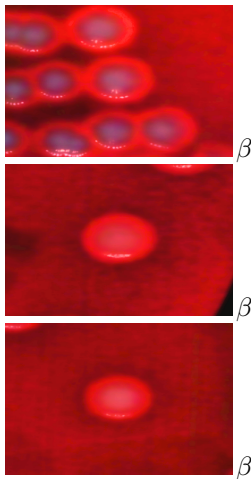
Result



- Predicted α

- Olive green discoloration is the key feature of α hemolysis.
- makes them easily to identify as α in the prediction.

Result

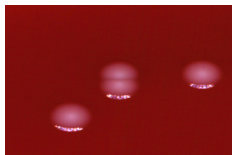


- Predicted β
 - If there is a yellowish halo around the colony and transparency
 - The capsule network can easily identified as β hemolysis.

Result



γ



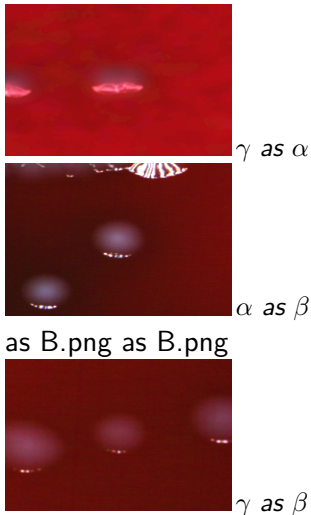
γ



γ

- Predicted γ

- γ hemolysis has shiny white growth, looks uniform and red (the color of the blood agar substrate).
- This features is used to identify them from the other correctly.



- **Wrongly predicted**

- β hemolysis wrongly classified as γ hemolysis due to some bright halo colored colonies.
- α hemolysis wrongly classified as β hemolysis due to some bright shiny inside the colonies.
- γ hemolysis wrongly classified as α hemolysis due some discoloration.
- Back lit images are quite noisy.

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Conclusion

- Hemolysis identification using capsule network, which would help the microbiologists to classify the three different types of hemolysis faster.
- Can be used as an automated tool to assist doctors in disease control.
- Prediction accuracy of Hemolysis Identification Using Capsules Network with 85.7%.
- In the future work, more in depth analysis will be performed to optimize the architecture: number of convolutional layer, dimension of capsules in primary and Hemolysis capsule layers.

