

# A Platform for Classifying Melanoma

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$$succ \equiv \lambda n. \lambda f. \lambda x. f(nfx)$$

$$zero \equiv \lambda f. \lambda x. x$$

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# Introduction

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## Motivations

- ◀ Enhance AI<sup>1</sup> knowledge.
- ◀ Automation as way to democratize access to research and AI solutions.
- ◀ CAD<sup>2</sup> system are promising path towards medical automation.

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<sup>1</sup>Artificial Intelligence.

<sup>2</sup>Computer-Aided Diagnosis.

## Objectives

- ◀ Gain expertise in deep learning theory and its real-world applications.
- ◀ Explore and study the optimal approach for utilizing the distribution of dermoscopy images from the dataset during the training process.
- ◀ Propose and train deep learning models using transfer learning on ISIC<sup>3</sup> Challenge melanoma images.
- ◀ Create an easy deployment CAD infrastructure running in Docker, with the trained models, a user-friendly web UI<sup>4</sup> and a HTTP<sup>5</sup> API<sup>6</sup>.

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<sup>3</sup>Skin Imaging Collaboration.

<sup>4</sup>User Interface.

<sup>5</sup>Hypertext Transfer Protocol.

<sup>6</sup>Application Programming Interface.

# Domain

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# Problem

## Detection of Melanoma Skin Cancer

- ◀ Melanoma exhibits a high mortality rate.
- ◀ Dermoscopy procedures are utilized for melanoma detection.
- ◀ Dermoscopy images are examined by professionals to study cutaneous lesions.
- ◀ Several studies have shown that melanoma task classification using CAD systems achieve comparable or superior results to dermatologists.

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# Solution

# CAD Training and Deployment Pipeline

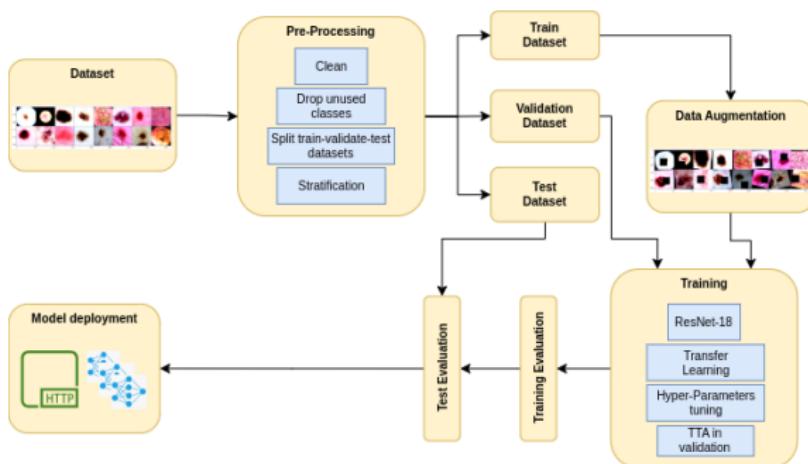


Figure 1: CAD Infrastructure Pipeline.

## Micro-Service Architecture to Infer Images

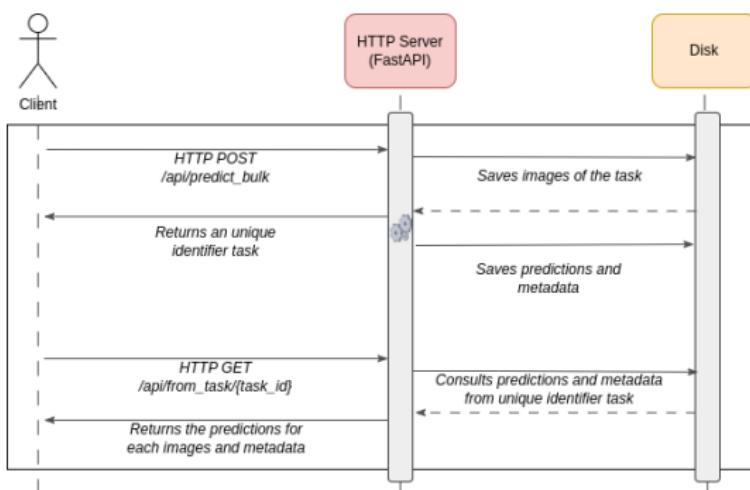


Figure 2: Inferring Images Through the Background Task Mechanism.

# Concerns

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## Ethical Concern

- ◀ The solution employs "black box" models, lacking explainability.
- ◀ The thesis presents a CAD tool designed to aid human decision-making rather than being an autonomous decision-making system.

## Regulatory Framework

- ◀ When dealing with medical images, obtaining signed consent is necessary for data publication.
- ◀ Recent research collaborations prioritize data sharing through de-identification methods to tackle these challenges.
- ◀ The thesis made use of the ISIC Archive database, which serves as a publicly accessible resource.

# Data

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## Origin Data

- ◀ The data originates from the ISIC Archive.
- ◀ It includes images from the years 2019 and 2020.
- ◀ The images are available in three different resolutions: 512x512, 768x768, and 1024x1024 pixels.
- ◀ The dataset contains more than eight distinct classes.

## Used Data

- ◀ Resolution selected: 512x512 pixels.
- ◀ The used dataset comprises 31,265 distinct image samples.
- ◀ Eight classes were selected to work with.
- ◀ Imbalanced dataset.

## Classes Distribution in the Dataset

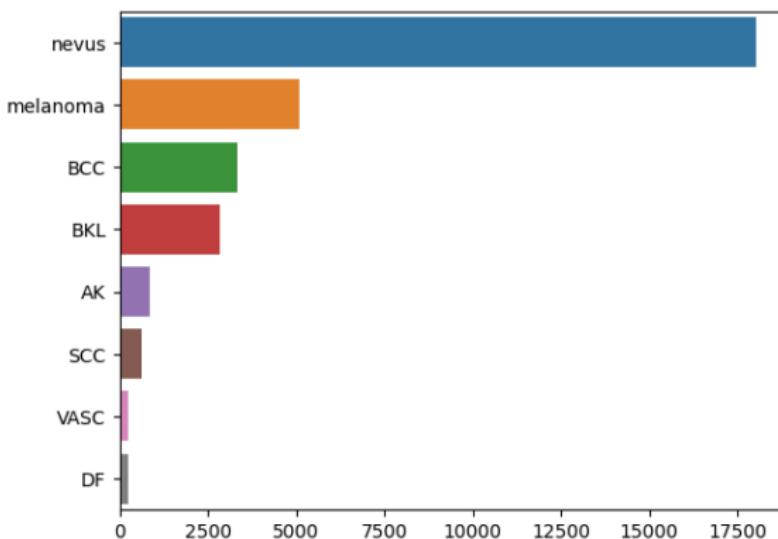


Figure 3: Data Distribution.

## Train, Validation and Test Sets

- ◀ The dataset was stratified to ensure an equal distribution of classes in each subset.
- ◀ The training set was created using 80% of the dataset, the validation set using 10%, and the test set using the remaining 10%.



Figure 4: Holdout Set Scheme. Illustration by Qualcomm

# Data Augmentation

The train dataset (Figure 5),

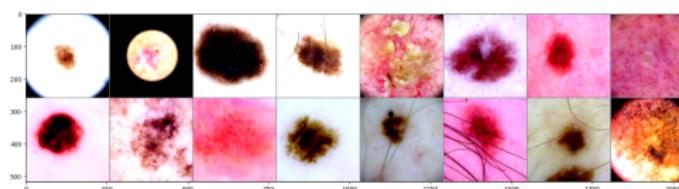


Figure 5: Random Sample of Images.

Is mapped into an augmented train dataset (Figure 6).

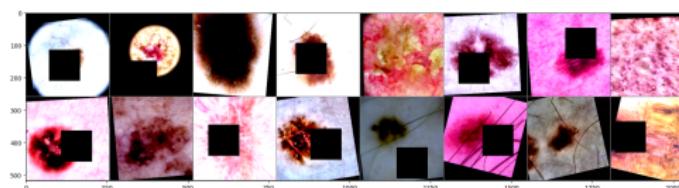


Figure 6: Augmented Random Sample of Images.

# Modeling

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## General Modeling Information

- ◀ Eight trained models with different ML<sup>7</sup> techniques.
- ◀ Used the ResNet18 pre-trained weights.
- ◀ SGD<sup>8</sup> as optimizer.
- ◀ Cross-entropy as loss function.
- ◀ Model training performance were evaluated with AUC<sup>9</sup> metric.

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<sup>7</sup>Machine Learning.

<sup>8</sup>Stochastic Gradient Descent

<sup>9</sup>Area Under the Curve.

|                        | M0     | M1     | M2     | M3     | M4        | M5       | M6       | M7         |
|------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-----------|----------|----------|------------|
| Model Architecture     | R18M   | R18M   | R18M   | R18M   | R18DM     | R18DM    | R18DM    | R18DM      |
| Epochs                 | 20     | 20     | 20     | 20     | 40        | 40       | 40       | 40         |
| Batch Size             | 400    | 400    | 400    | 400    | 1024      | 1024     | 1024     | 1024       |
| Scheduler              |        | SLR    | CALR   | CAWR   |           | SLR      | CALR     | CAWR       |
| Data Augmentation      | No     | No     | No     | No     | Yes       | Yes      | Yes      | Yes        |
| Dropout Regularization | No     | No     | No     | No     | Yes       | Yes      | Yes      | Yes        |
| GPU                    | TT4    | TT4    | TT4    | TT4    | NA100     | NA100    | NA100    | NA100      |
| Training Time          | 1h 45m | 1h 22m | 1h 43m | 1h 38m | 1d 7h 30m | 1d 7h 4m | 1d 7h 1m | 1d 12h 55m |

**Table 1:** Training Information For Each Model. Empty spaces represent non-use of that feature.

|      | Train AUC | Val AUC | Train Recall | Val Recall | Train Acc | Val Acc |
|------|-----------|---------|--------------|------------|-----------|---------|
| M0   | 0.952     | 0.903   | 0.756        | 0.676      | 0.835     | 0.778   |
| M1 * | 0.947     | 0.900   | 0.695        | 0.633      | 0.829     | 0.779   |
| M2 * | 0.933     | 0.895   | 0.658        | 0.609      | 0.808     | 0.765   |
| M3 • | 0.935     | 0.896   | 0.663        | 0.605      | 0.811     | 0.767   |
| M4   | 0.886     | 0.877   | 0.478        | 0.475      | 0.757     | 0.750   |
| M5 * | 0.867     | 0.861   | 0.423        | 0.403      | 0.728     | 0.717   |
| M6 * | 0.874     | 0.868   | 0.451        | 0.440      | 0.738     | 0.728   |
| M7 • | 0.877     | 0.849   | 0.470        | 0.432      | 0.742     | 0.732   |
| Mean | 94.175%   | 89.850% | 69.300%      | 63.075%    | 82.075%   | 77.225% |
| SD   | 0.921%    | 0.370%  | 4.509%       | 3.260%     | 1.327%    | 0.727%  |
| Mean | 87.600%   | 86.875% | 45.550%      | 44.400%    | 74.125%   | 73.175% |
| SD   | 0.787%    | 0.655%  | 2.445%       | 3.084%     | 1.204%    | 1.372%  |

Table 2: Train &amp; Validation Metrics.

## M3 vs. M7



(c) AUC Curves



(a) Loss Curves



(b) Accuracy Curves

Figure 7: M3 vs. M7. Combined AUC, Loss and Accuracy Curves.

# Workflow Methodology

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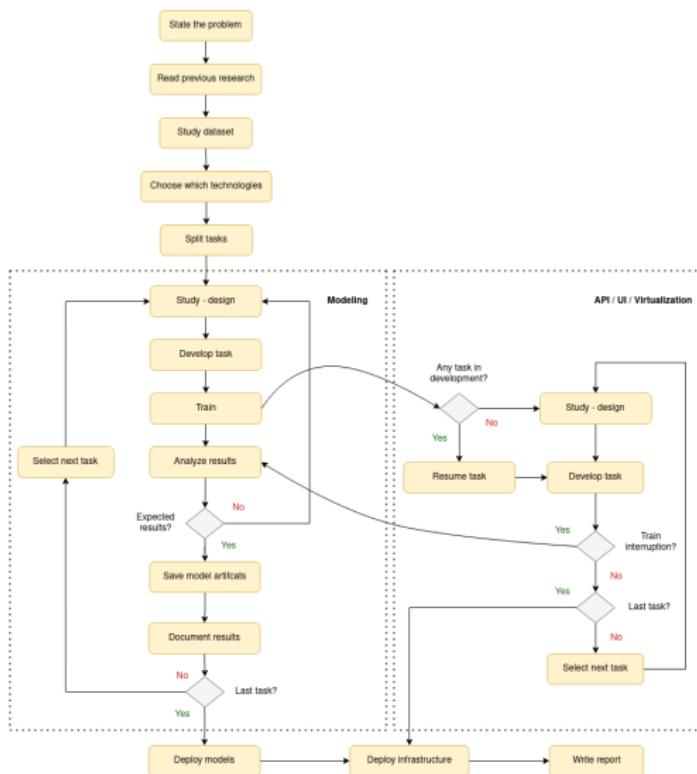


Figure 8: Activity Diagram Describing the Workflow Methodology.

# Results

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# Testing Models

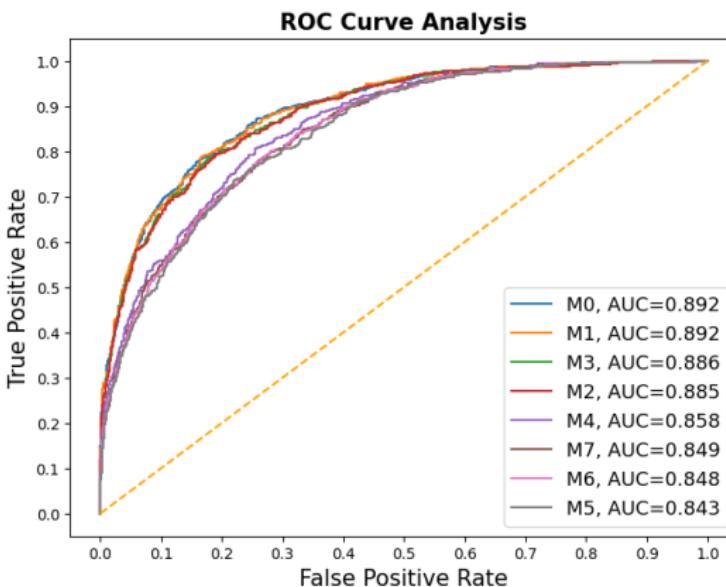


Figure 9: ROC-AUC Results in Test Dataset.

## API Service

To access the documentation of the API, you can make a request in a web browser using the following URL<sup>10</sup>:

`http://<api>/docs`

The web browser will display the endpoints of the API.



Figure 10: API Service End-Points.

<sup>10</sup>Uniform Resource Locator.

## Exposed Models

You can consult the exposed models by requesting:

`http://<api>/public_models`

The response of the API's JSON<sup>11</sup> response should be something similar to this:

```
{  
  "models": [  
    "M0",  
    "M1",  
    "M2",  
    "M3",  
    "M4",  
    "M5",  
    "M6",  
    "M7",  
    "vicorobot.8c_b3_768_512_18ep_best_20_fold0",  
    "vicorobot.8c_b3_768_512_18ep_best_fold0",  
    "vicorobot.8c_b3_768_512_18ep_final_fold0"  
  ]  
}
```

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<sup>11</sup> JavaScript Object Notation.

## Predict Images

You can consult the exposed models by requesting:

```
http://<api>/predict_bulk?model_id=<model_id>
```

The API will respond with a JSON object containing a unique task identifier and the total number of images sended to the API:

```
{
  "task_uuid": "77d5e834-60a1-49b6-a71a-b3472dc21ce5",
  "num_images": 2
}
```

## Consult Prediction

You can consult a task prediction as follow:

`http://<api>/from_task/<task_uuid>`

A potential JSON response from the API regarding the task prediction:

```
[  
  {  
    "name": "ISIC_0052349.jpg",  
    "probabilities": {  
      "AK": 0.0007466986,  
      "BCC": 0.0005002805,  
      "BKL": 0.015733117,  
      "DF": 0.00086343783,  
      "SCC": 0.0007902466,  
      "VASC": 0.0017217622,  
      "melanoma": 0.017426228,  
      "nevus": 0.9622182  
    },  
    . . .  
  }  
  . . .  
]
```

## UI Service

Accessing the UI service through a web browser using the following URL:

`http://<ui>`

As a result, a single-page web application with several interactive buttons will appear (Figure 11).

The state of these button depends on the application state.



Figure 11: Main Interactive buttons of the UI Service.

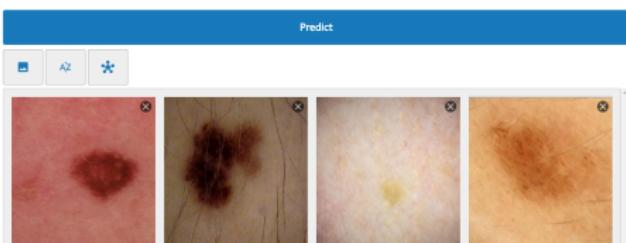


Figure 12: Dermoscopy Images Loaded in the UI.



Figure 13: Selecting Exposed Models by the API.

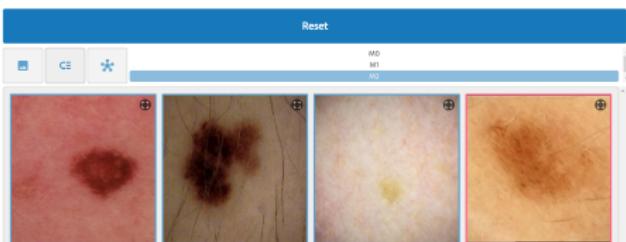


Figure 14: UI State After Prediction Response.

## Pop-up Extra Information

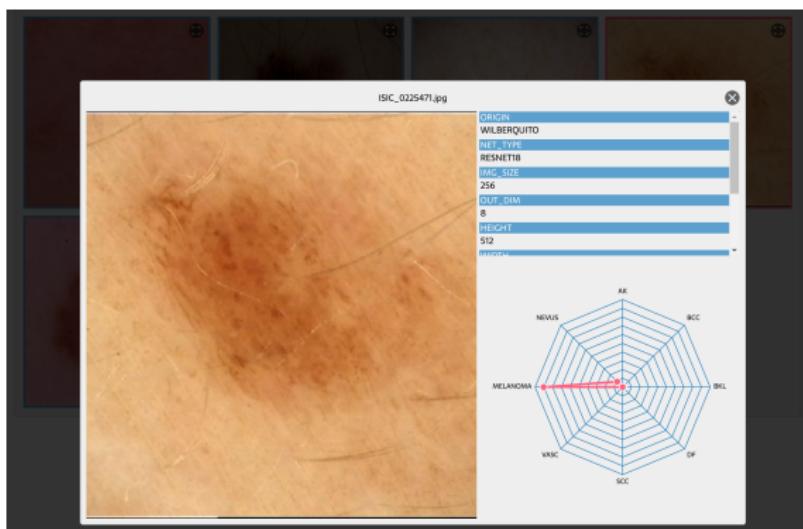


Figure 15: *Extra Prediction Information.*

## Open Source CAD Infrastructure

The thesis assets (trained models weights and configurations) can be found in this public GitLab repository:

<https://gitlab.com/wilberquito/open.thesis>

The CAD infrastructure (install guide, install script, experiments and source code) can be found in this public GitHub repository:

<https://github.com/wilberquito/melanoma.thesis>

After following the instruction and installing the required tools, installing the CAD infrastructure should be as simple as running this command in a bash terminal.

```
curl https://raw.githubusercontent.com/wilberquito/melanoma.thesis/main/MAKE.sh | bash
```

# Conclusions

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- Eight different models were trained with different approaches (Table 3).
- Unregularized models showed better performance but struggled with overfitting.
- Regularized models were trained for double the epochs, showing improved potential with longer training despite initially lower performance.
- The impact of scheduler can be appreciated in longer training sessions ( $SD^{12}$ )
- The CAD infrastructure was built and public published with an easy mechanism to be tested.

| Model | Test AUC | Model | Test AUC |
|-------|----------|-------|----------|
| M0    | 0.892    | M4    | 0.858    |
| M1 *  | 0.892    | M5 *  | 0.843    |
| M2 *  | 0.885    | M6 *  | 0.848    |
| M3 ●  | 0.886    | M7 ●  | 0.849    |
| Mean  | 88.875%  | Mean  | 84.950%  |
| SD    | 0.377%   | SD    | 0.625%   |

Table 3: Metrics in Test Dataset.

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<sup>12</sup>Standard Deviation.