

# Special for MVA course Deep Learning in practice: MammoScreen

Therapixel

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Part I: Introduction

## ➤Therapixel

➢DL → radiology

Breast cancer

DM DREAM Challenge

#### **Therapixel: Medical Image Understanding**



## Breast Cancer Screening: some key stats

- ➤ 33M exams/year = 132M images in US alone
- ⋟ \$7.8 billion cost of mammography screening in US (2010)
- > 120 sec: average interpretation time.



"If a typical person can do a mental task with less than one second of thought, we can probably automate it using AI either now or in the near future."

Andrew Ng, 2016

## The Digital Mammography DREAM Challenge

#### **Challenge setting:**

- > Completely in the cloud
- > 22 CPU cores + 2 GPUs
- > 14 days / per team
- Performance measure:AUC and partial AUC





#### Why it is difficult - challenges of the Challenge

- ➢ 320k images
- > Only 1548 (0.47%!) positive examples
- ➢ High resolution: from 3328x2560 to 5928x4728.
- One single label per image: 0 or 1



Now look for a needle in them...

#### Why it is difficult - challenges of the Challenge



Different scales of anomalies: from microcalcifications to big cancerous masses.  Different kinds of anomalies: calcifications, masses, distorsions



#### Can be malignant OR benign!

Part II: Winning solution dream\_net

Data specificity

Dense annotations

➢Patch model

➢Image model

Visualization

## Why is it very different from ImageNet?



In our approach, limited by several factors. Actually 3-5 times higher

- ➢ Resolution: 1200x800 vs 224x224
- Zone of Interest : < 1% vs > 50%
- Number of classes : 2 vs 1000
- Highly imbalanced vs roughly balanced

Zone of Interest —



#### Why don't DL results generalize always well to a new domain?



#### DDSM – bridge towards solution















Information Bottleneck..?

## From patch to image model: final pooling and some more layers



End-to-end finetuning by images, ~20 hours on 4 Titan X

Important to train on images:

- Final pool 5x5
- Adjust learning rate
- Linear shortcut

#### Some technical details: training procedure and EMA



#### AUC per breast (DDSM)





- DetectorNet on patches from scratch: Adam, lr 0.001
- Restore DetectorNet weights and Adam variables
- On images (partially restored): Adam, Ir 0.0001
- Send it to the cloud and use as a starting point
- Finetuning on DREAM data: Adam, Ir 0.0001 and Exponential Moving Averages (0.9)
- $\blacktriangleright$  Restore EMA (0.9), finetune with SGD, lr 0.0001

Why 0.9? Seems to be near optimal for AUC optimization ( $\sim$ +1%) given the number of positives divided by batch size.

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\begin{array}{l} 0.9^{125} = 2 \cdot 10^{-6} \\ 0.99^{125} = 0.28 \end{array}
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default

#### Some technical details: data



- Batches are balanced
- Data Augmentation is crucial
- ➢ It also helps during the inference (4 flips → ~+1%AUC)
- > Averaging everything works well

#### Current results on DDSM



A note on overfitting and "advertising" stats:

- Overfitting happens on several levels:
  - 1. training data
  - 2. validation data
  - 3. test data = overfit dataset
  - 4. overfit a particular problem
  - 5. overfit a particular domain (?)
  - 6. overfit human style of thinking (??)
- In particular, performance of DL model on mammographies depends on:
  - 1. Device used for mammography
  - 2. Skills of technician
  - 3. Screening period (1-1.5-2 years)
  - 4. Positive/negative ratio, closely linked to
  - 5. Fraction of truly difficult cases
  - 6. Population (country)

7. ...









- Red dots slightly postprocessed saliency maps
- Green area mask
   suggested by radiologist







#### DREAM data is much sharper





- Red dots slightly postprocessed saliency maps
- The same lesion is highlighted on both views



#### Model's output distribution on exams year N-1



#### Part III: From research project to industrial product

#### >ML projects need new paradigm

#### ➢ How we work at Therapixel

➢Specific advices

#### Data Science 2019 = Software Engineering 1999

➢ Visual Studio 1<sup>st</sup> release: 1997

Development process and paradigm evolving

➢ Data becomes 2<sup>nd</sup> part of your code

Software 2.0 stack (©Andrej Karpathy)

>IDEs for ML models are yet to come?



#### New paradigm – new development process and roles

#### ➤Therapixel:

- 1. Development team
  - Cloud infrastructure
  - Integration with PACS in hospitals
  - Visualization & User Interface
- 2. Data team
  - Partnerships with hospitals
  - Raw data extraction
  - Data clearing and structuring
- 3. Research team
  - Interfacing of structured data
  - Running experiments, reporting errors
  - Testing new ideas and extensions

#### Some specific advices and practical moments

- Know your data
  - If you don't understand your data DL won't either
  - Total nb of images, nb of images per class, typical resolution, Rol...
  - Regularly examine worst offenders, manually guide your model —
  - Metadata is also under git (and dumped at each experiment)
- Enforce reproducibility
  - No more binary reproducibility GPUs
  - Each experiment has an output folder
  - For each experiment git hash and git diff are dumped
  - Unit tests where applicable (example: complex stats calculations)
- Work in team
  - Development cycles: 1-2 week
  - Regular meetings with discussions
  - Issue tracking tool
  - Code review



#### Some specific advices and practical moments

- Adapt model to your problem
- good data and gradient flow: "well-wired net"
- Adjust architecture !
- Deep = complex, but cheap







Slide credit: 1)G. Montúfar et al, <u>On the Number of Linear</u> <u>Regions of Deep Neural Networks</u> 2) <u>Marc'Aurelio Ranzato</u> slides 3) <u>Introduction to Deep Learning</u> by Iasonas Kokkinos

#### Some specific advices and practical moments

- Pretrain on balanced batches make your network distinguish.
- Fight the overfitting: early stopping is simple but undesirable.
  - Smaller model
  - More data/data augmentation
  - Regularization





## Thank you for your attention!

# **Q&A** session

