



Integrating Bayesian Deep Learning Uncertainties in Medical Image Analysis

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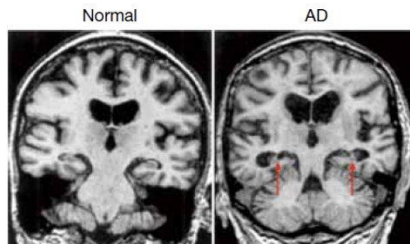
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Thesis



Machine Learning and Medical Imaging

Machine learning (ML) in medical imaging has HUGE potential for assisting in:

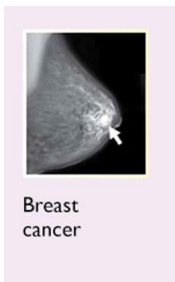


Compliment of Scanning Department, St. Teresa's Hospital

Disease Development



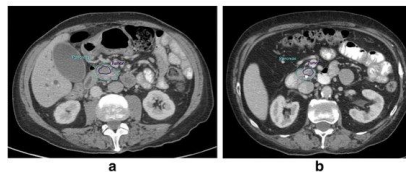
Personalized Medicine



Breast cancer

Patient diagnosis

Survival Time: 6 months Tumour size: 2.22 cm ² Dissimilarity: 12.97 Inverse Difference Normalized : 0.9756	Survival Time: 71 months Tumour size: 1.72 cm ² Dissimilarity: 20.22 Inverse Difference Normalized: 0.9627
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Outcome Prediction

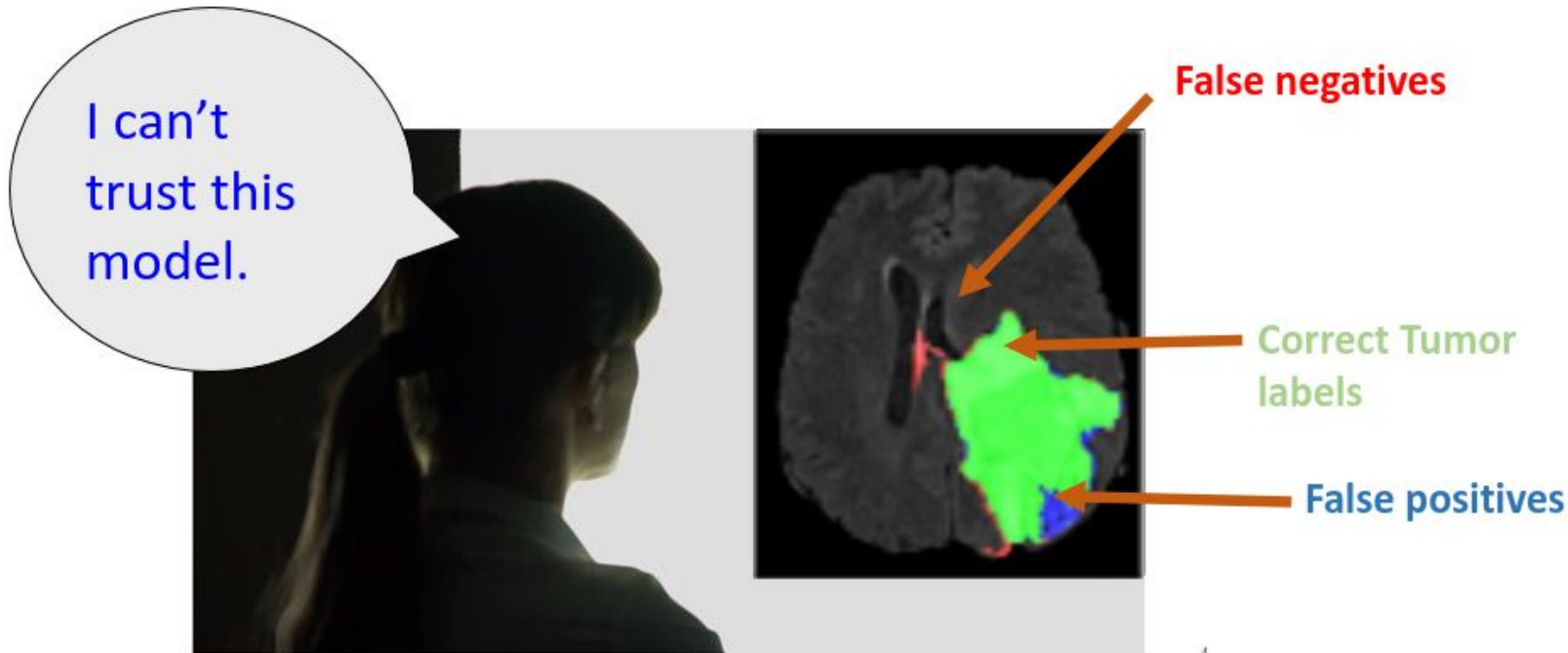


Machine Learning and Medical Imaging

- Wide variety of successful ML frameworks for segmentation, classification in medical imaging
- **However, resulting approaches have not yet been widely integrated into real clinical practice!**
 - Why is that?

Open Problem: ML in Medical Imaging

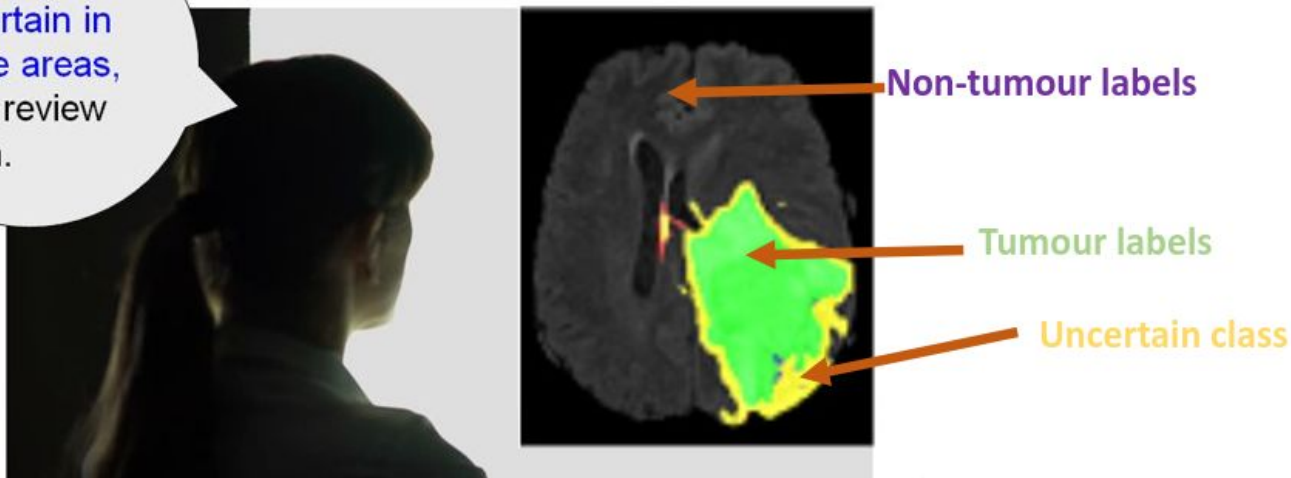
- Most ML models **can make mistakes**



Solution: ML in Medical Imaging

- **Trust can be build with** the notion of **uncertainties** associated with the model output

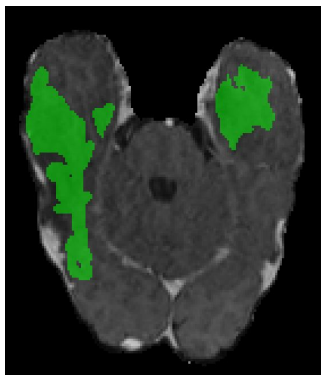
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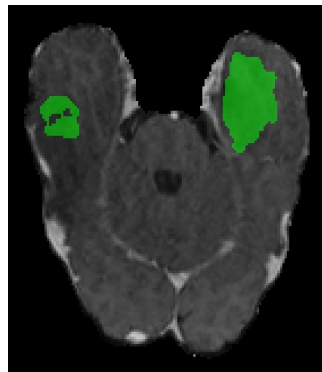
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 - **Uncertainty Evaluation Score**

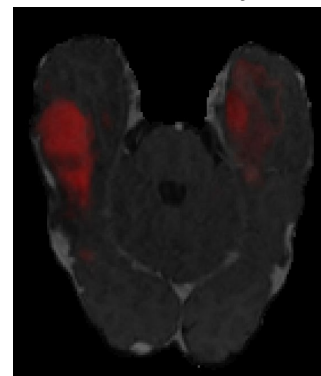
Ground Truth



Prediction



Uncertainty

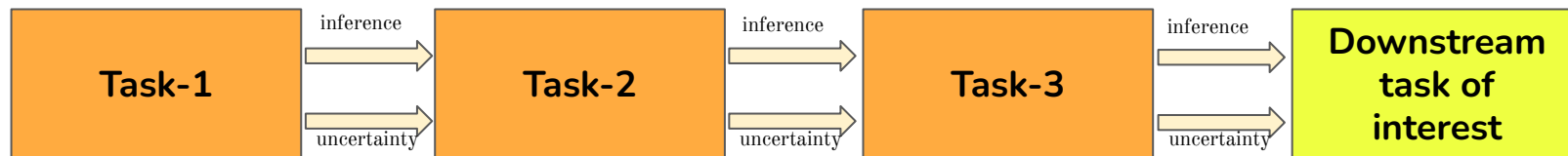


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 - **Uncertainty propagation across cascade of inference task**



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 - **Fairness and Uncertainty**

AI skin cancer diagnoses risk being less accurate for dark skin - study

Research finds few image databases available to develop technology contain details on ethnicity or skin type



BRIEF REPORT | APPLIED MATHEMATICS | 

Gender imbalance in medical imaging datasets produces biased classifiers for computer-aided diagnosis

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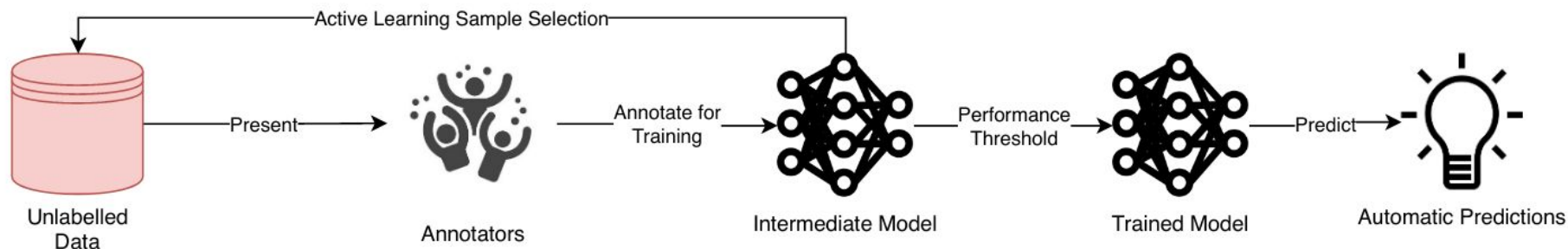


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Uncertainty Evaluation

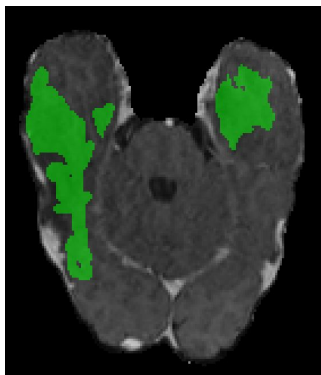


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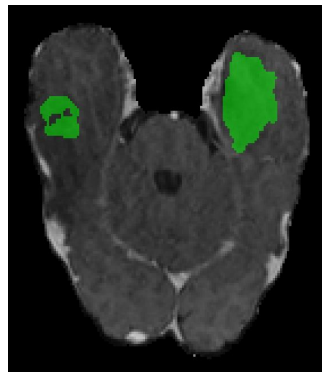


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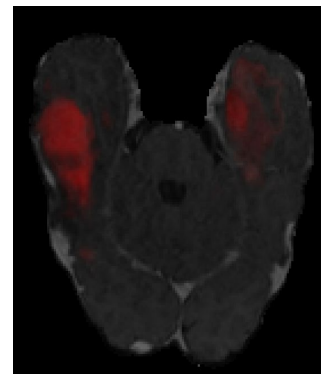
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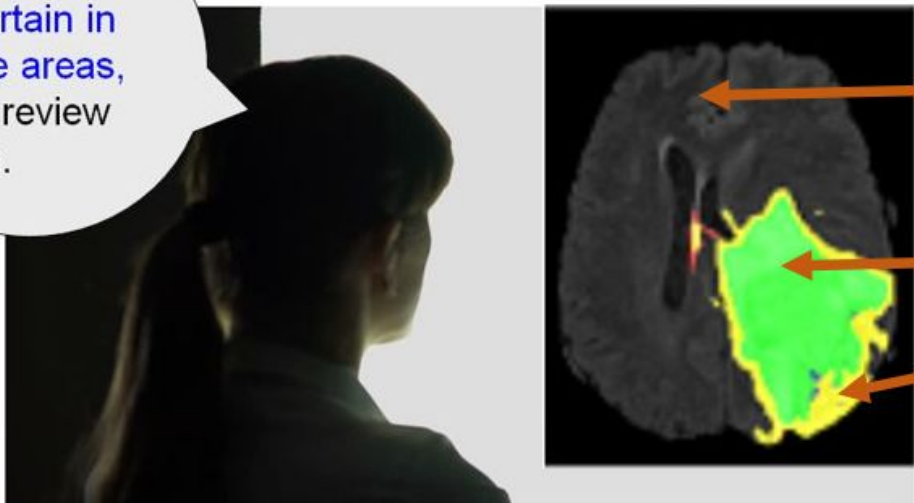
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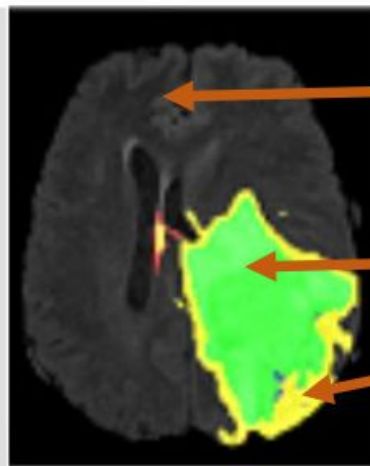
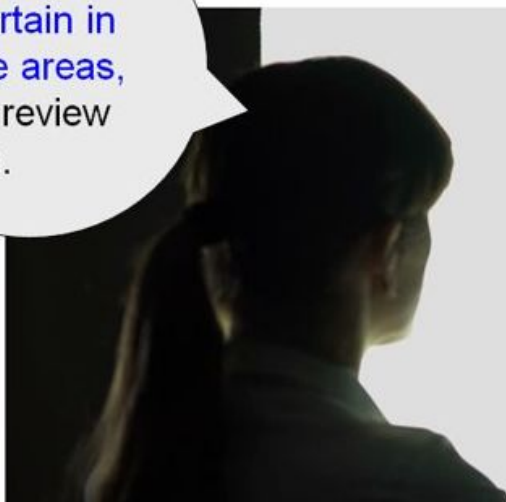
Tumour labels

Uncertain class

Brain Tumour Segmentation

Confident Predictions \longrightarrow Correct Predictions
Incorrect Predictions \longrightarrow Highly Uncertain

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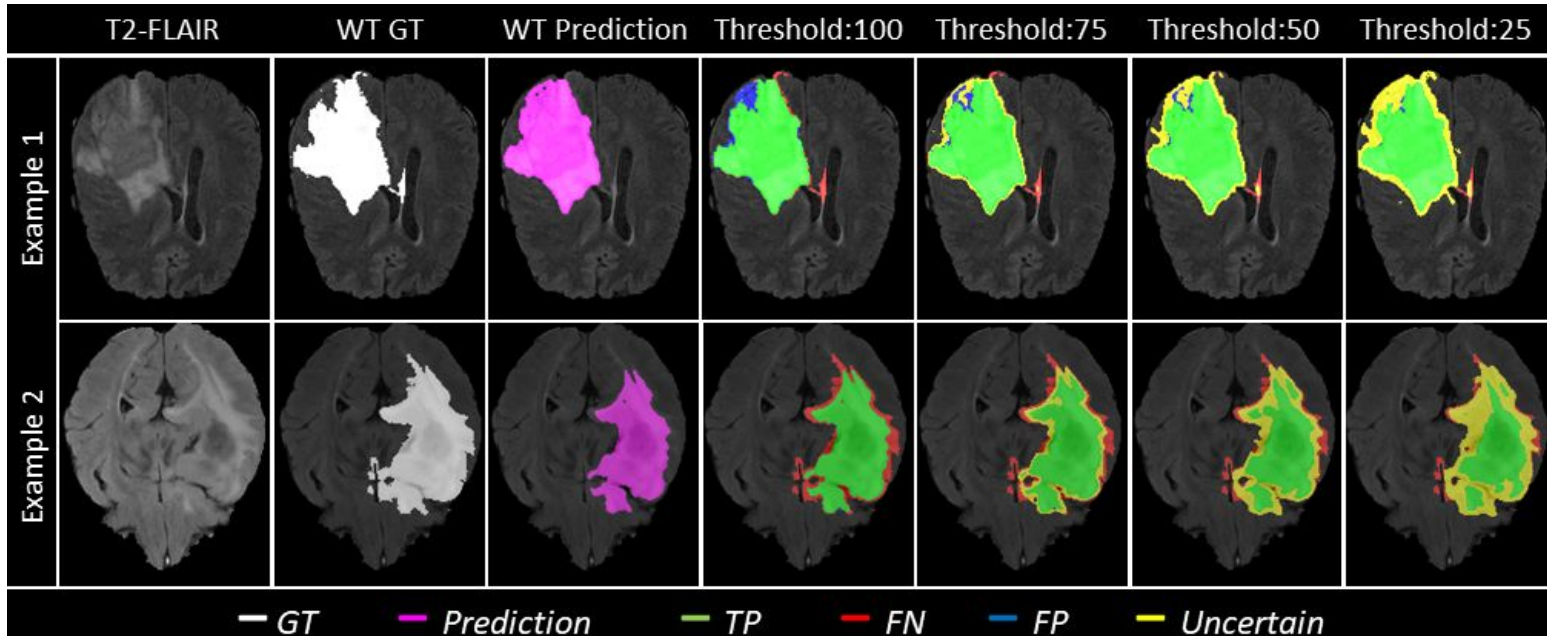


Increased Metric of Interest (Dice)



$$\text{Dice} = 2 * (\text{Green})$$

$$\frac{2 * (\text{Green})}{2 * (\text{Green}) + \text{Blue} + \text{Red}}$$



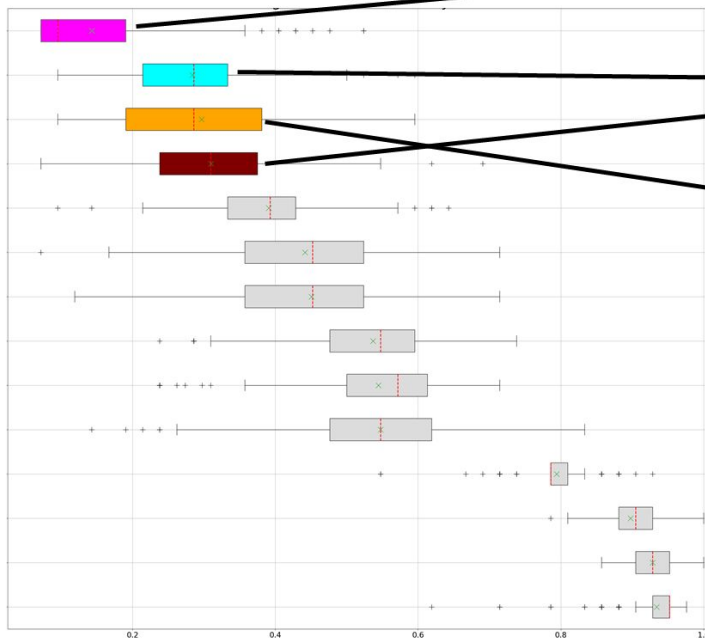


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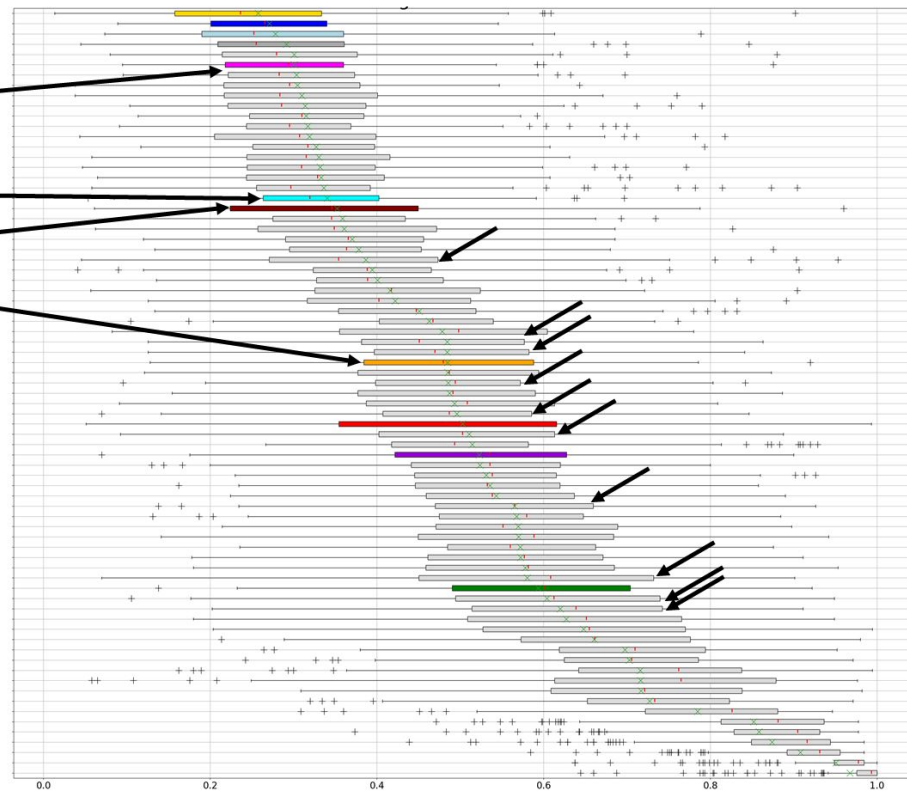


- BraTS 2020 Challenge

Uncertainty Ranking



Segmentation Ranking





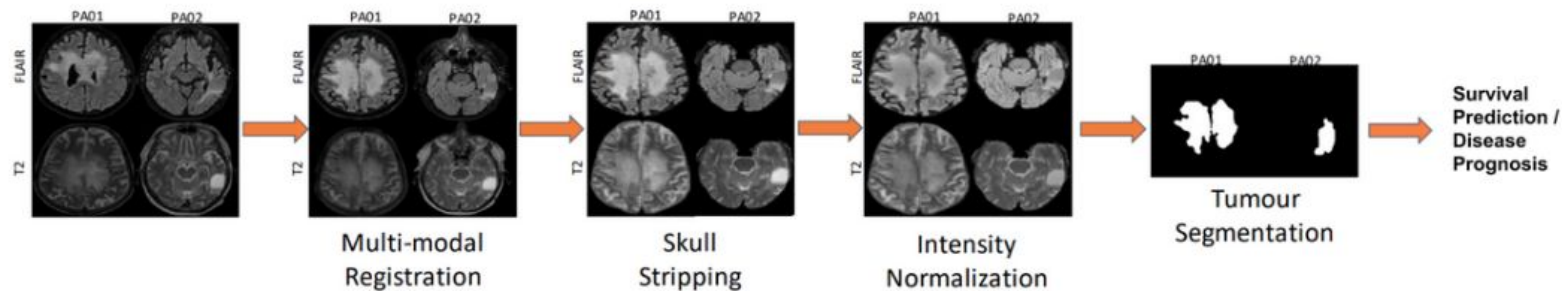
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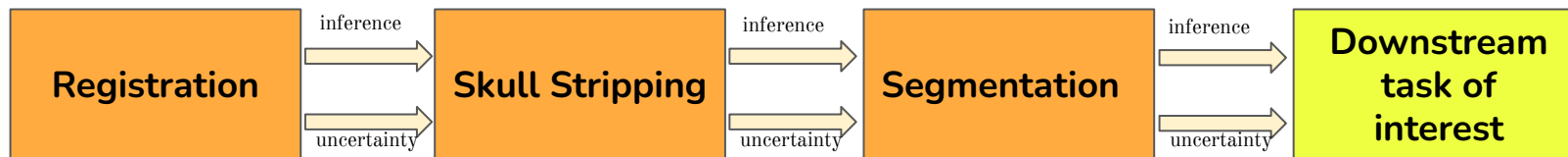
- Medical Image Analysis Pipeline





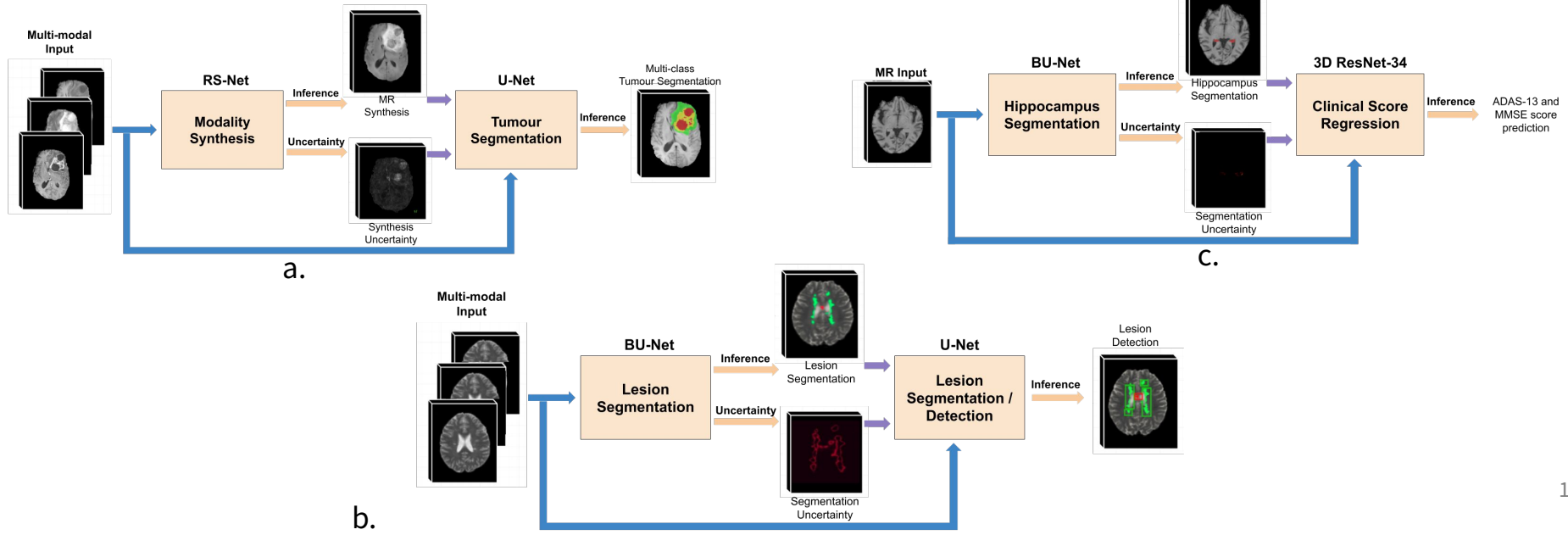
Uncertainty Propagation

- Hypothesis: We can improve inference on the downstream task of interest by propagating uncertainty estimated for the prior tasks



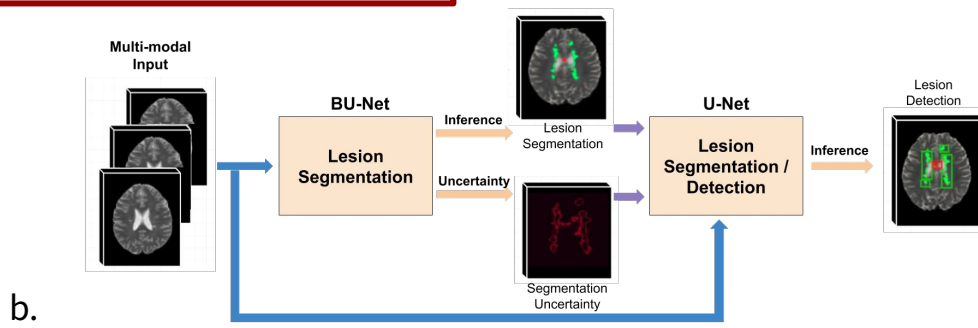
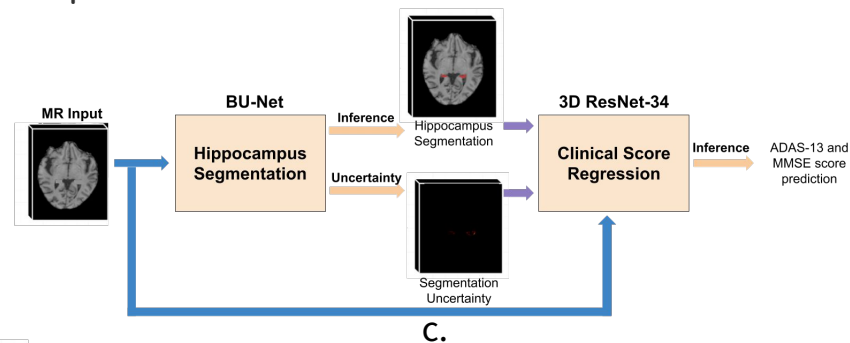
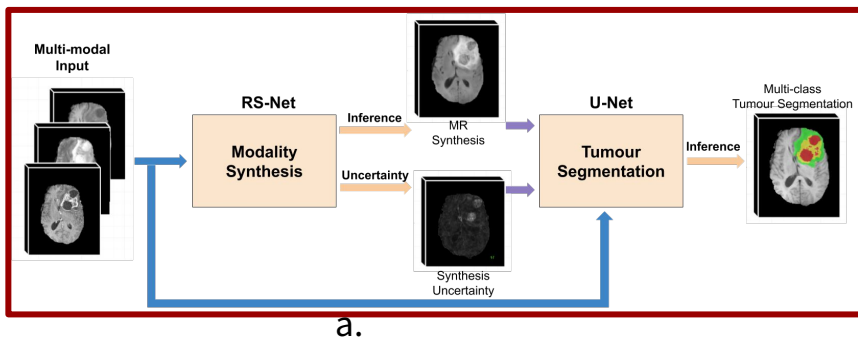
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 - Brain Tumour Segmentation Pipeline
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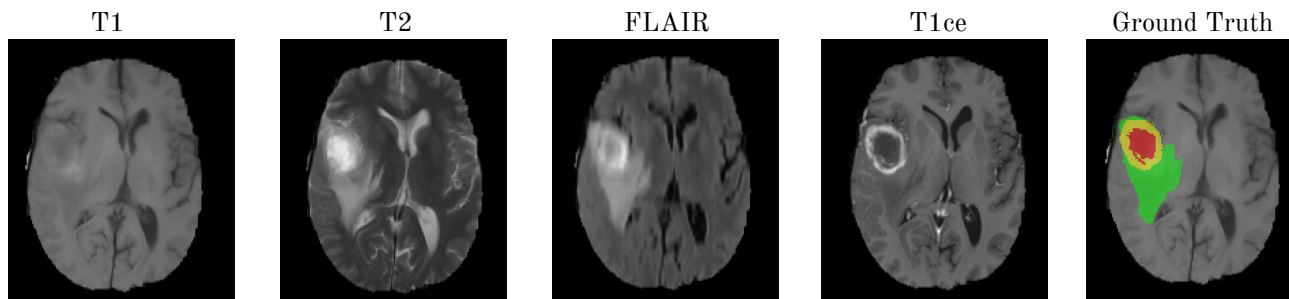
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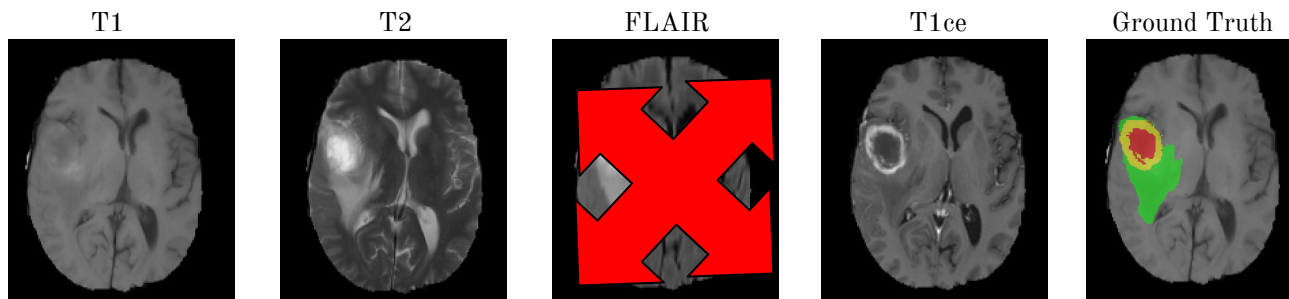
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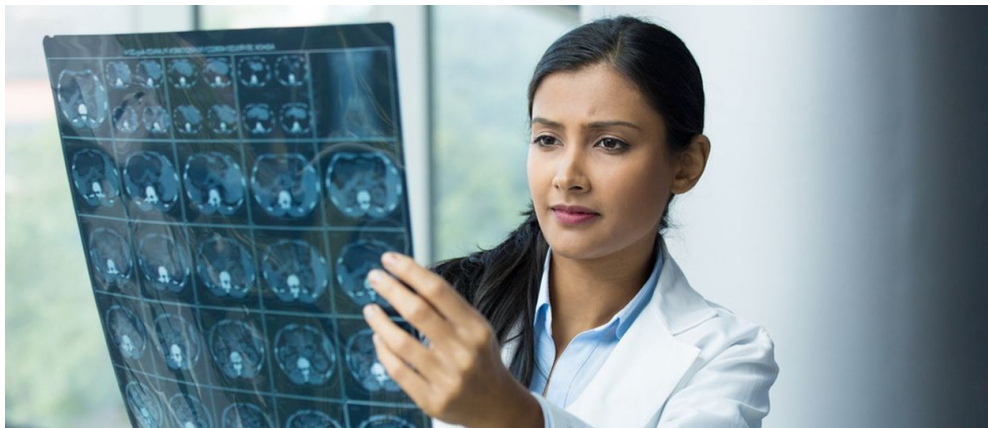
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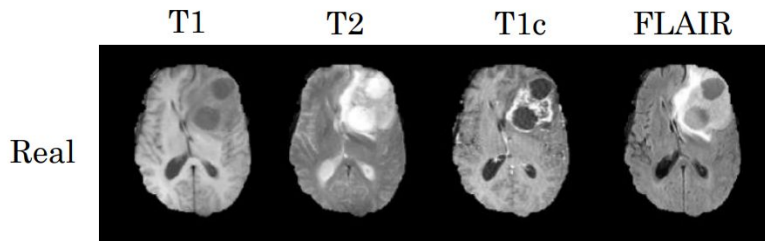
- Brain Tumour Segmentation
 - Synthesizing missing (unavailable) sequence can help
 - Clinicians to review
 - Improve downstream tumour segmentation task²⁶





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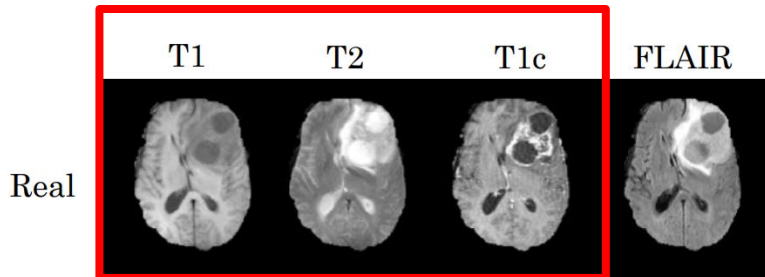
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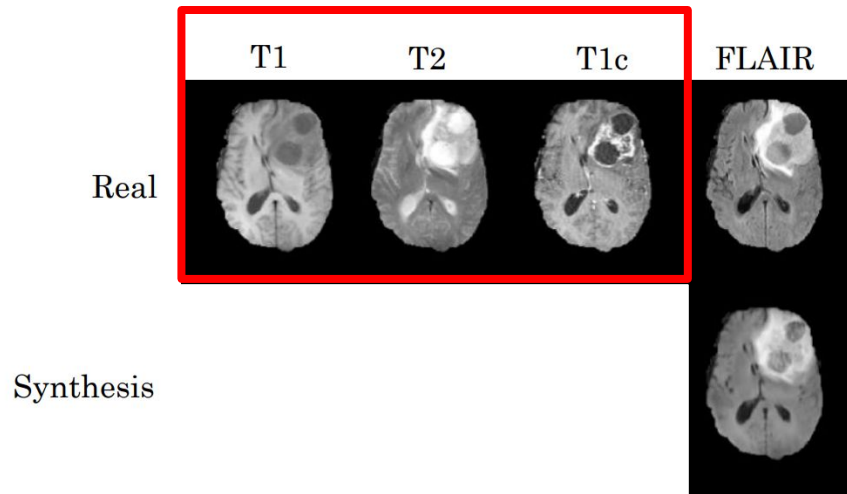
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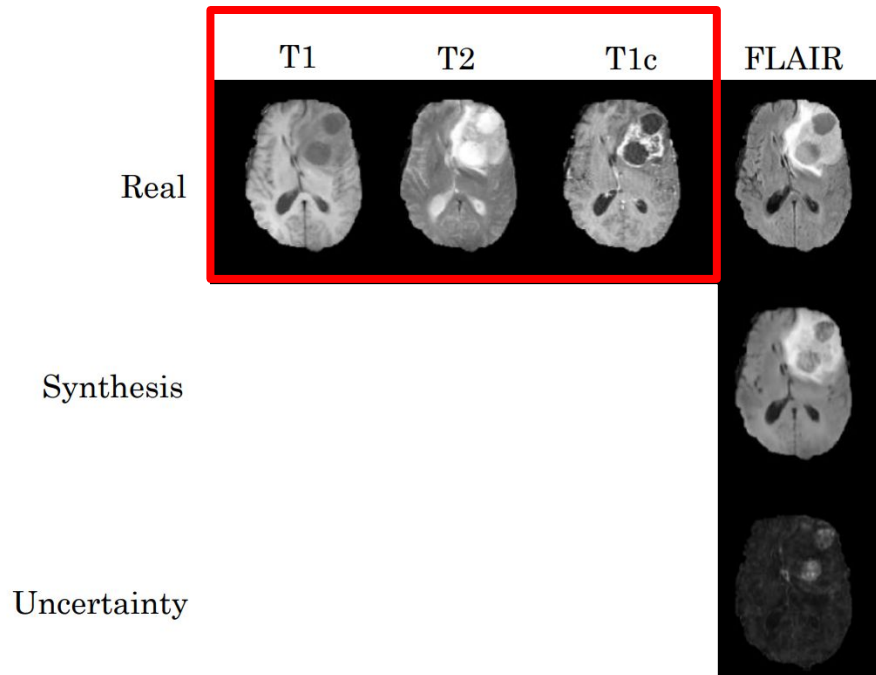
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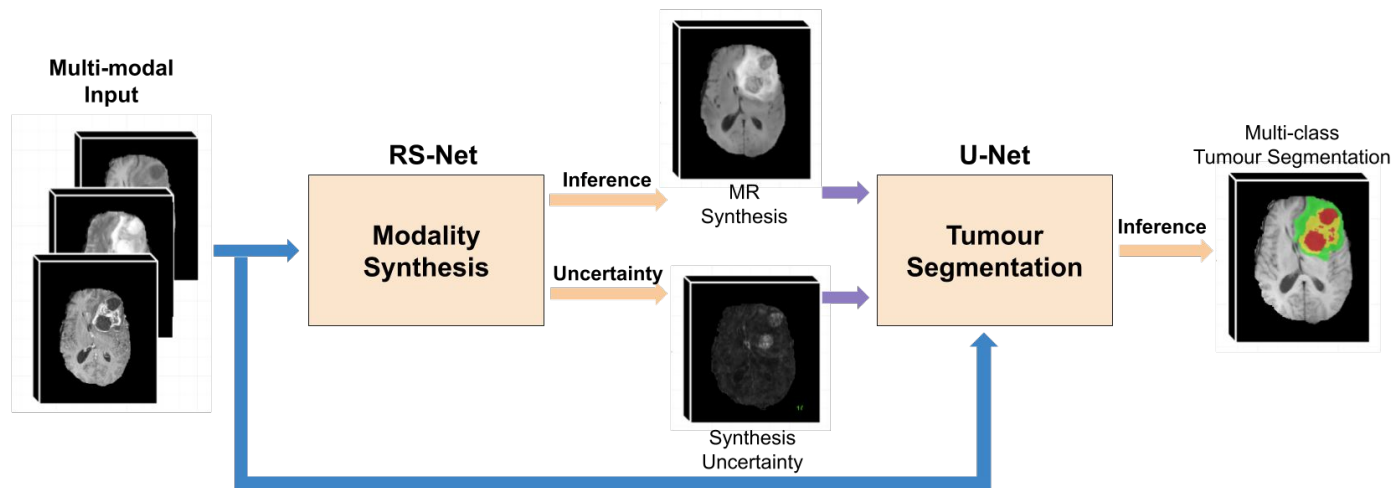
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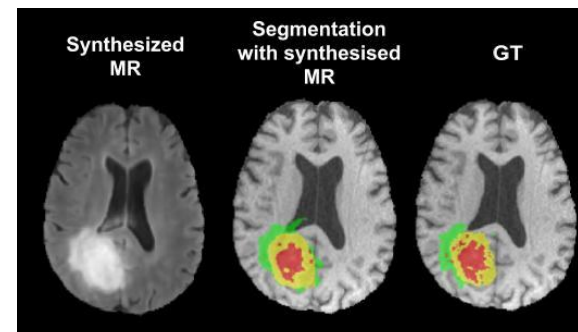
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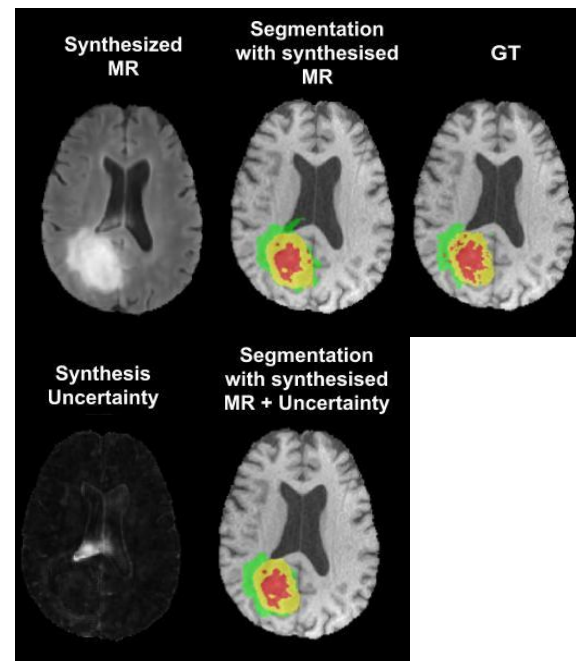
Uncertainty Propagation

- Brain Tumour Segmentation
 - Edema
 - Enhancing Tumour
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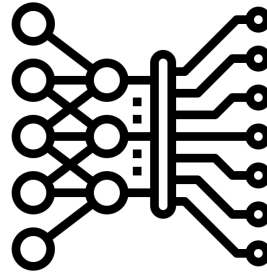
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Fairness

Partition dataset into subgroups based on a sensitive attribute (Ex. Sex)



Calculate Metric of Interest (Ex. Dice) for each subgroups



0.3



0.7



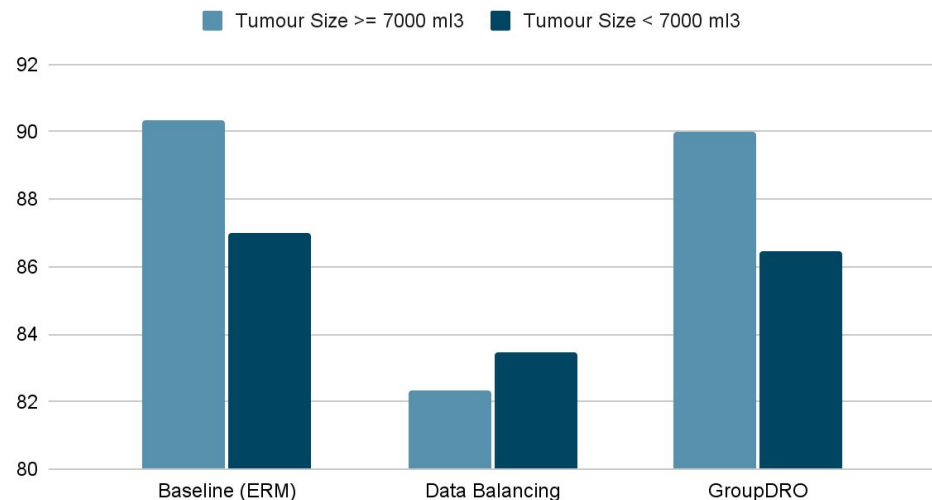
Difference in Performance
(0.7 - 0.3 = 0.4)



Fairness - Brain Tumour Segmentation

- **Network:**
 - U-Net
- **Sensitive Attribute: Tumour Size**
 - Divide into two subgroups
 - $\geq 7000 \text{ ml}^3$
 - $< 7000 \text{ ml}^3$
- **Popular Fairness mitigation**
ML Methods:
 - Baseline (ERM)
 - Data balancing
 - GroupDRO

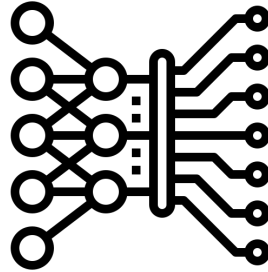
Whole Tumour Segmentation



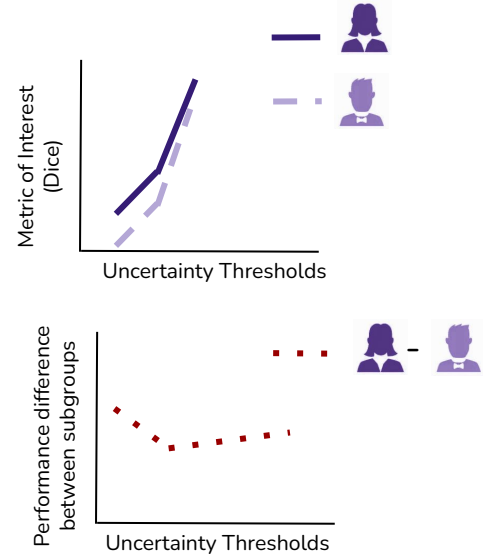
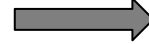


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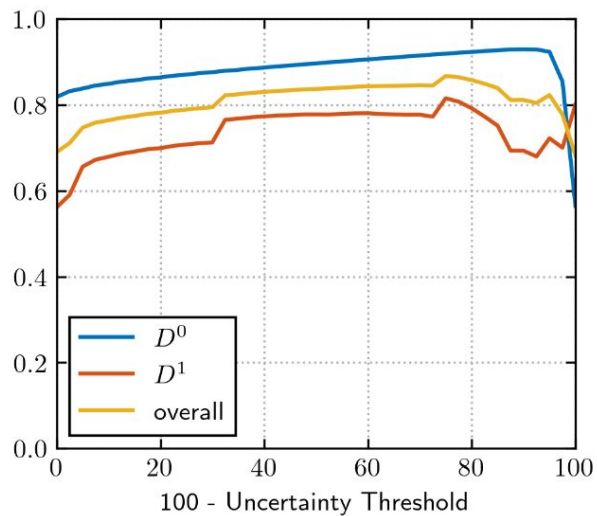
Calculate Metric of Interest (Ex. Dice) for each subgroups At different uncertainty threshold



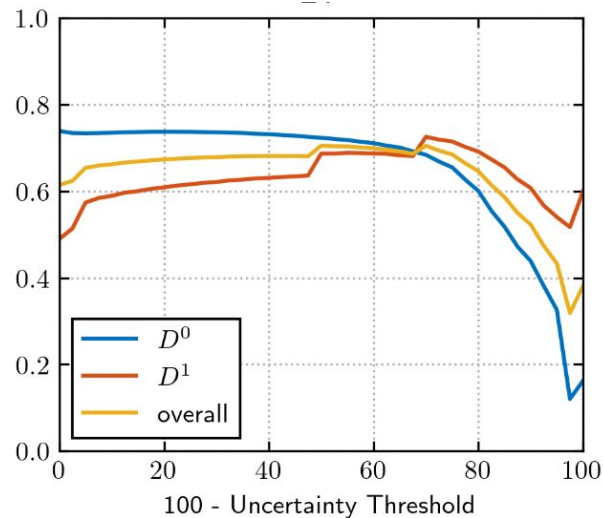


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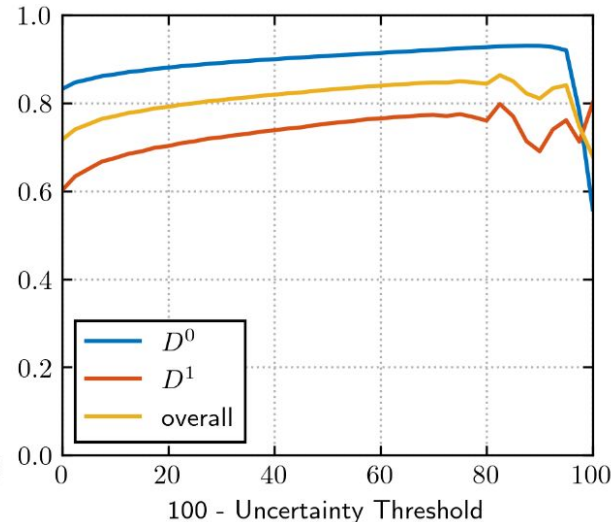
- Brain Tumour Segmentation



(a) Baseline-Model



(b) Balanced-Model



(c) GroupDRO-Model



Active Learning



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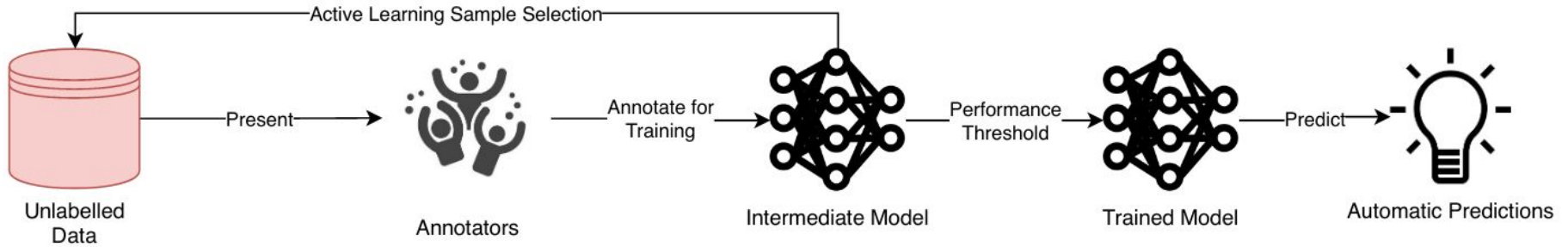
Challenges: ML in Medical Imaging

- Medical Image Analysis
 - Requires access to clinicians for data annotation



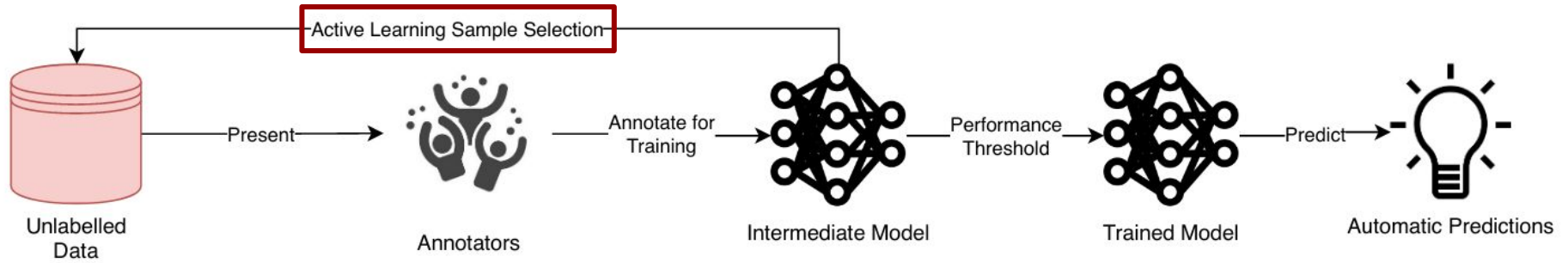


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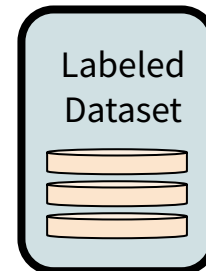
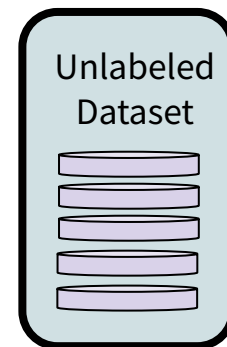
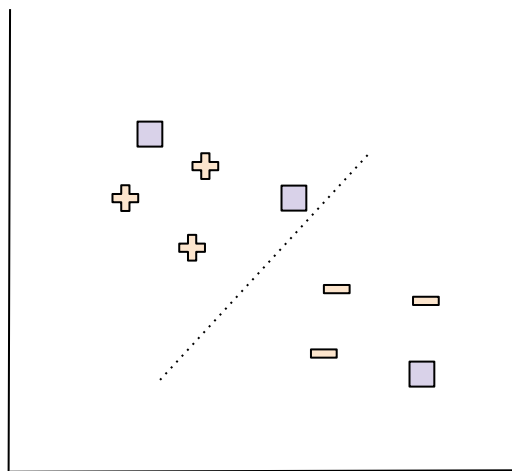
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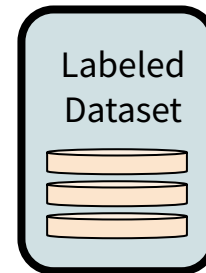
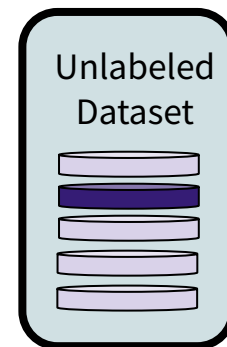
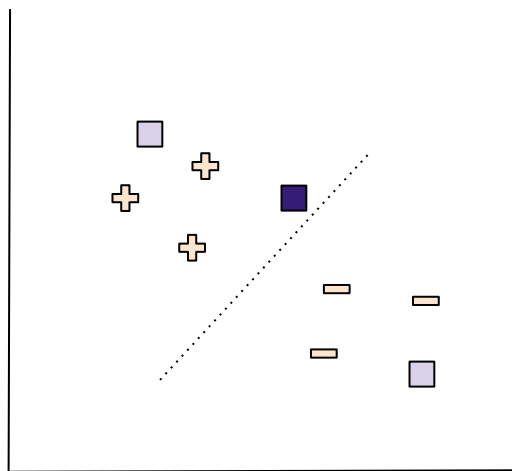
Uncertainty Based Sample Selection





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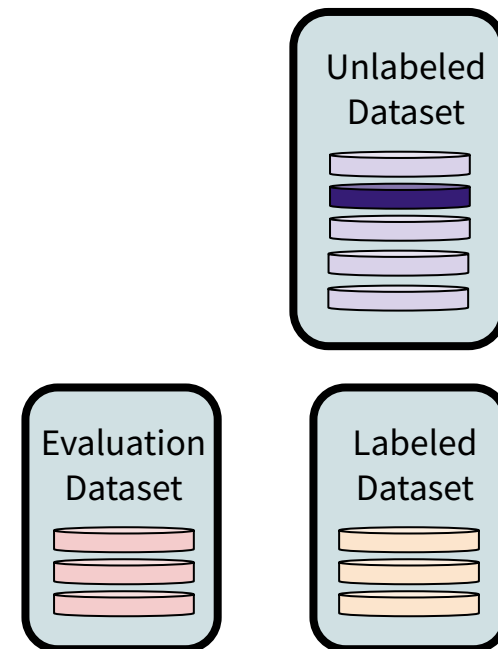
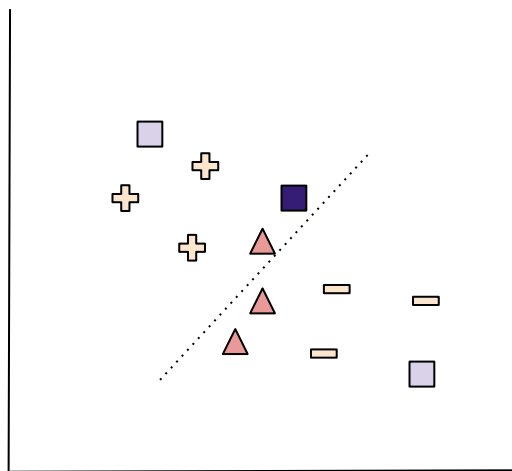
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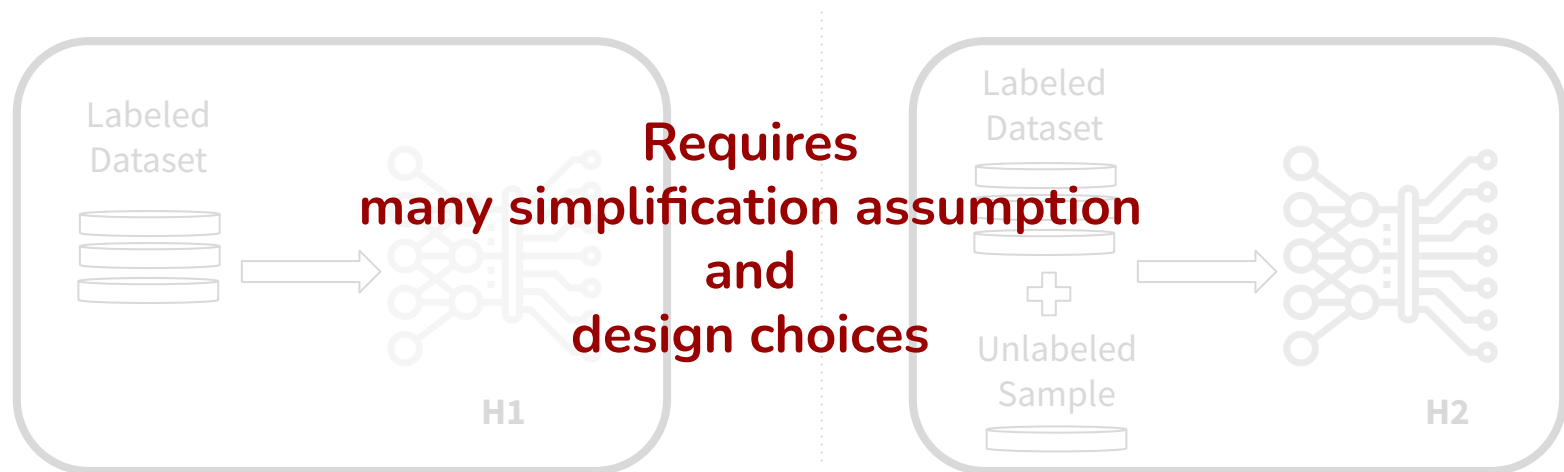
- Information Gain (IG)
 - $IG(X; Y=y) = H(X) - H(X|Y=y)$



Active Learning

Information Gain Sampling for AL

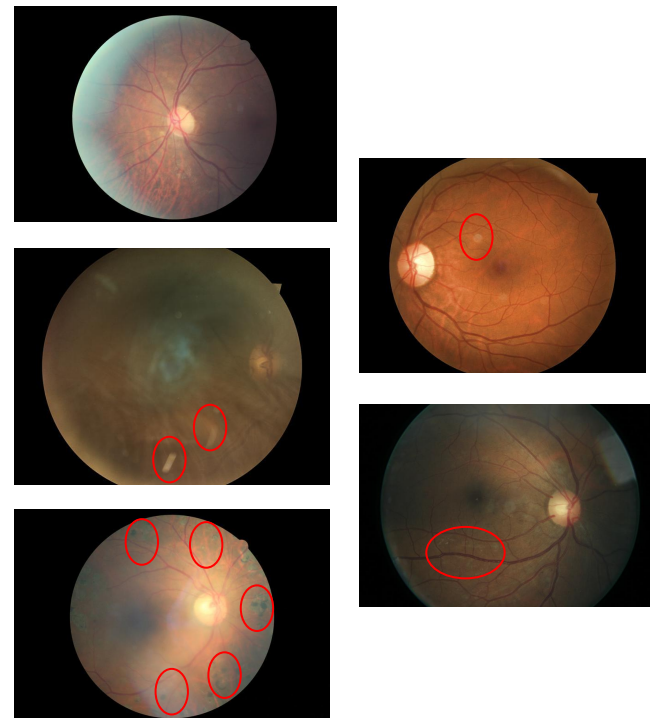
- Select samples with maximum $IG = H1 - H2$





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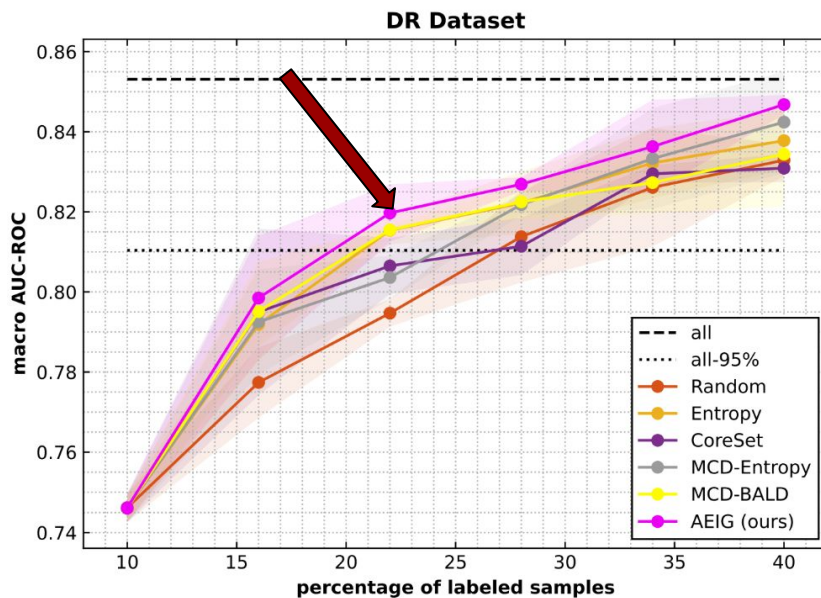
- **Datasets:**
 - Multi-class Diabetic Retinopathy (DR) disease classification
- **Evaluation Metric:**
 - 'macro' Area Under the Receiver Operating Characteristic Curve (ROC AUC)



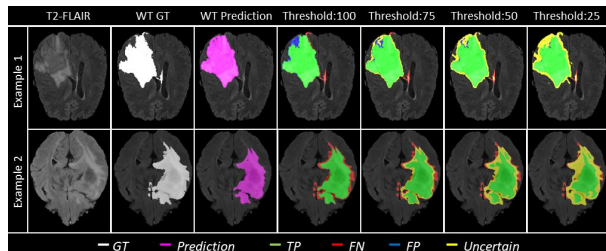


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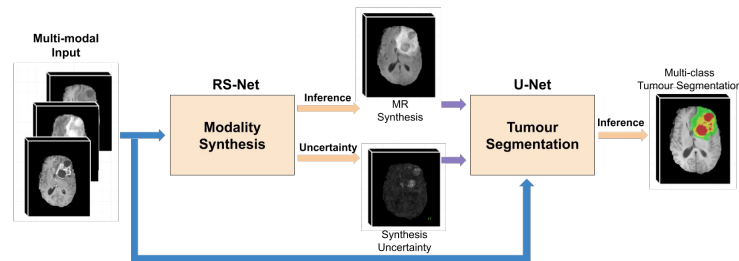
- Results



Summary

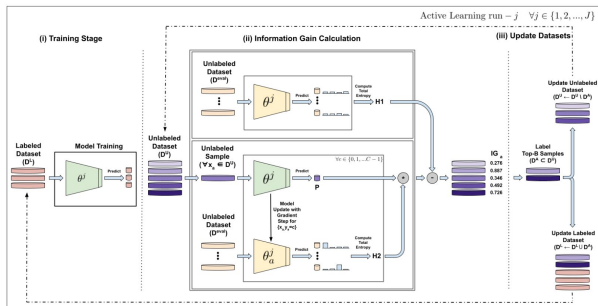


Uncertainty Evaluation Score



Uncertainty Propagation

Integrating Bayesian Deep Learning Uncertainties

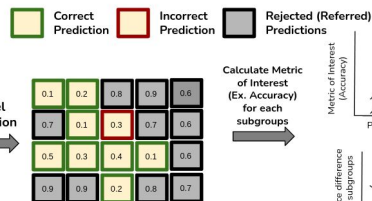


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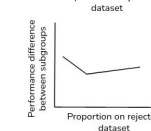
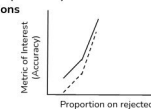
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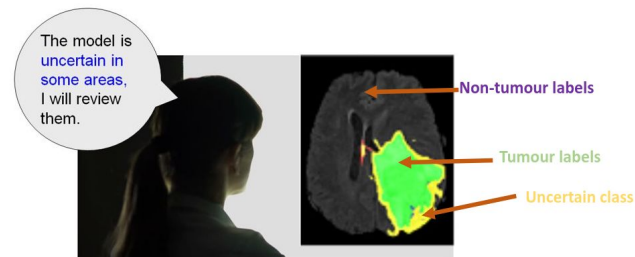
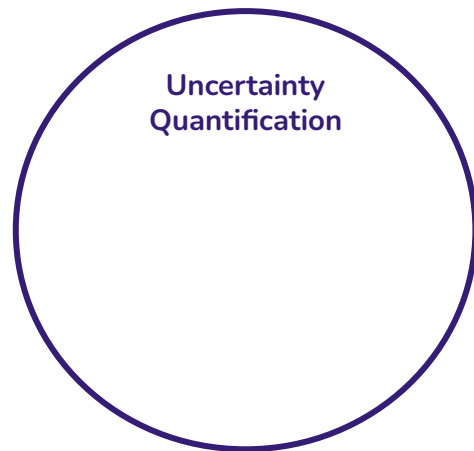


Values inside refers to uncertainty associated with the output.
0 - Least uncertain (most confident)
1 - Most uncertain (least confident)

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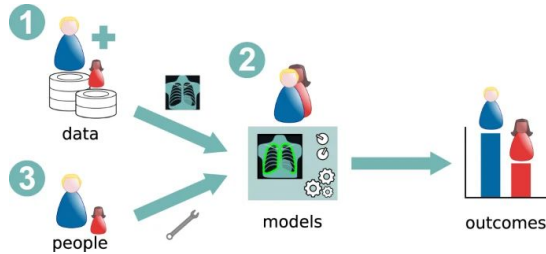
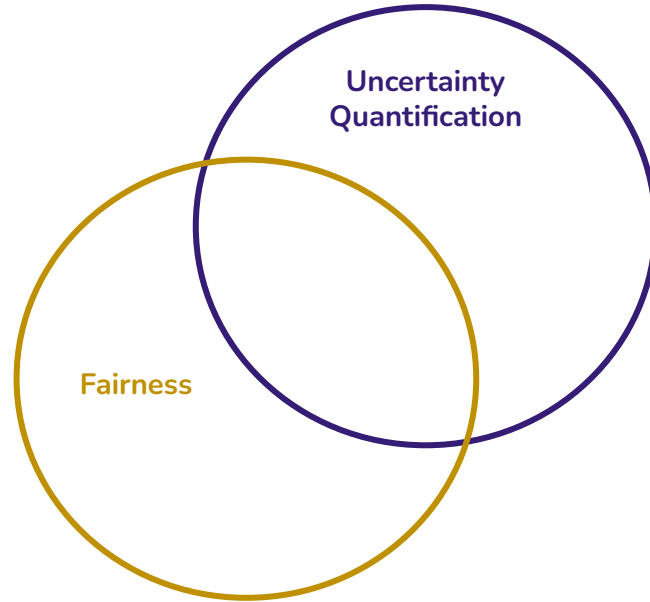


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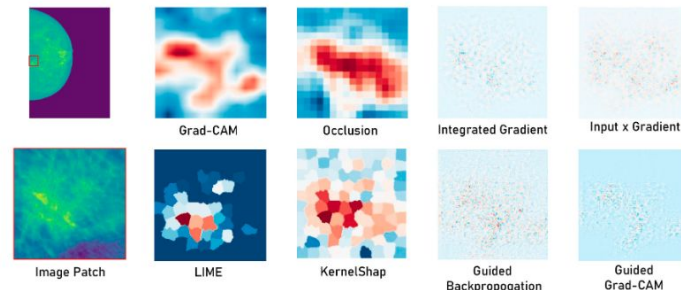
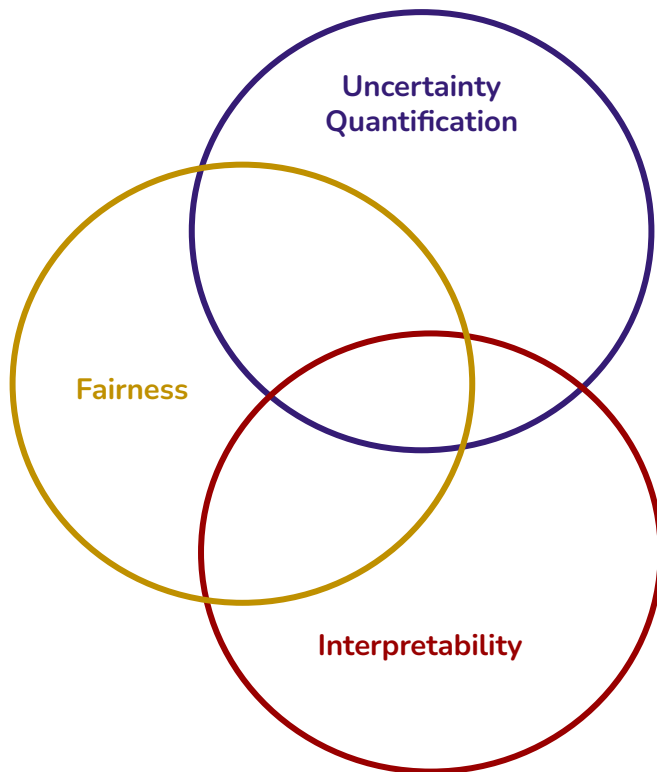


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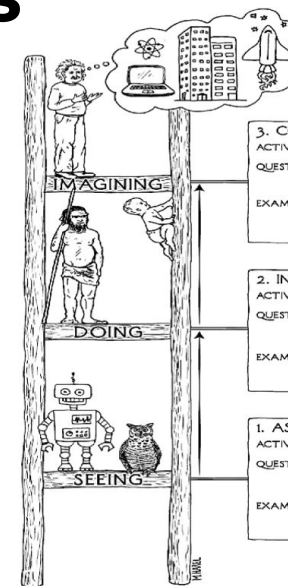
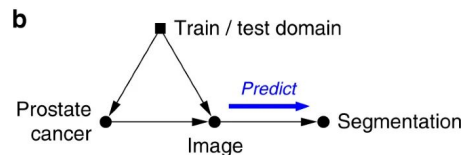
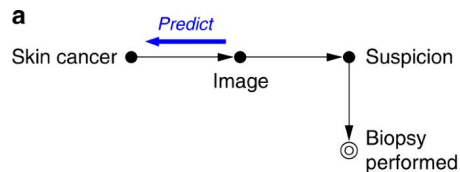
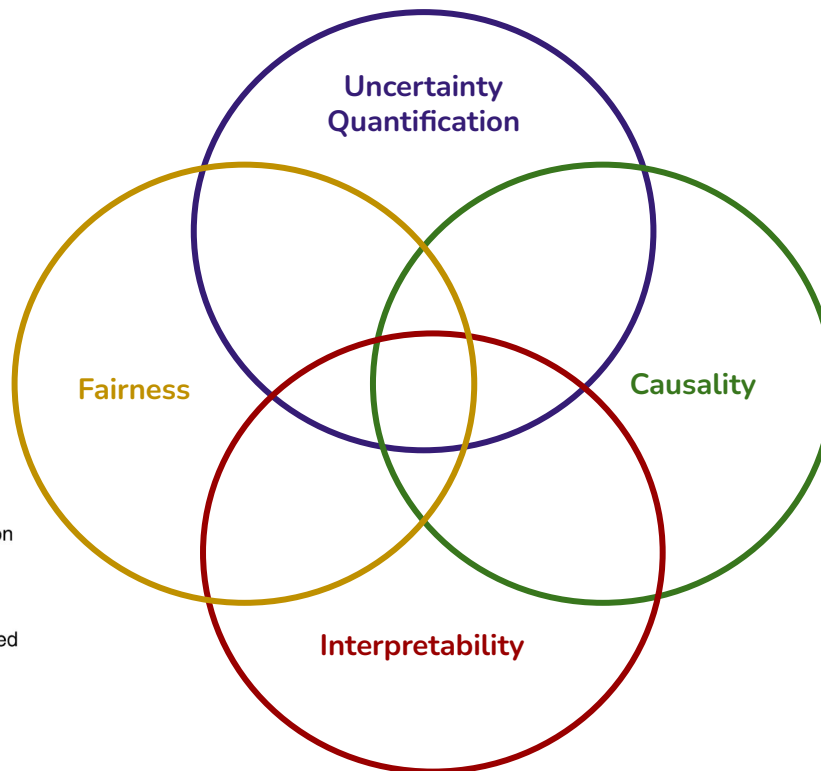




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- 3. COUNTERFACTUALS**
 ACTIVITY: Imagining, Retrospection, Understanding
 QUESTIONS: *What if I had done ...? What if?*
 (Was it X that caused Y? What if X had not occurred? What if I had acted differently?)
 EXAMPLES: Was it the aspirin that stopped my headache? Would Kennedy be alive if Oswald had not killed him? What if I had not smoked for the last 2 years?
- 2. INTERVENTION**
 ACTIVITY: Doing, Intervening
 QUESTIONS: *What if I do ...? What?*
 (What would Y be if I do X? How can I make Y happen?)
 EXAMPLES: If I take aspirin, will my headache be cured? What if we ban cigarettes?
- 1. ASSOCIATION**
 ACTIVITY: Seeing, Observing
 QUESTIONS: *What if I see ...?*
 (How are the variables related? How would seeing X change my belief in Y?)
 EXAMPLES: What does a symptom tell me about a disease? What does a survey tell us about the election results?



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