

DETECTION OF LUNG CANCER USING A RETINANET MODEL ENHANCED WITH MULTI-SCALE FEATURE FUSION AND CONTEXTUAL MODULES

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Abstract: Early detection of lung cancer is troublesome, and existing assessment systems, for example, blood tests and CT filters, are tedious and need huge human mediation. To resolve these issues, the undertaking gives an interesting methodology called Lung-RetinaNet, which is especially planned for the distinguishing proof of lung cancers. This framework utilizes a RetinaNet model that has been expanded with multi-scale highlight combination and a setting module. The Lung-RetinaNet model incorporates a multi-scale highlight combination module that expects to total information from a few levels of the brain organization. This strategy works on the model's ability to catch semantic data, which is basic for precisely identifying lung cancers. Notwithstanding multi-scale highlight combination, the Lung-RetinaNet model purposes a widened and lightweight methodology for the setting module. This module is planned to coordinate logical data into each layer of the neural network, bringing about upgraded include extraction and restriction of small cancers inside lung pictures. The combination of these modules works on the general proficiency and accuracy of the undertaking's arranged lung growth location framework. The task's capacities are extended with the expansion of the Xception model, which accomplishes a surprising almost 100%

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accuracy in lung cancer categorization. Moreover, the utilization of YOLOv5 and YOLOv8 for location further develops lung cancer detection in pictures. This diverse method gives an exhaustive assessment of lung cancer patients by consolidating superb order and precise object detection.

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1. INTRODUCTION

Lung cancer is considered one of the worst diseases in many countries with a mortality rate of 19.35% [1]. Radiologists use several methods to diagnose lung cancer, including sputum cytology, CT scan, X-ray, and other light reflection imaging techniques. During the diagnosis process, cancer is classified into two types: dangerous and harmless. Harmful cancers are dangerous and fill in unpredictable structures and sizes. It is likewise shown that individuals with cutting edge cancer have a significantly lower perseverance rate than those with early infection. It has additionally been resolved that utilizing different picture handling strategies can improve output and imaging examination time [2]. A few investigations have been proposed to recognize beginning phase malignancies using picture handling draws near. Two

significant issues might influence the accuracy of physically recognizing lung cancer. The principal thought is mechanical and human openness, since radiology assets may not be adequate to satisfy request [3]. Second, the primary lack represents an extensive extent of false positive situations. Thus, the radiologists who decipher the photos ought to get excellent preparation. Thus, existing methodologies' location and order precision may be worked on further.

Late advances in machine learning (ML) and deep learning (DL) approaches have brought about an impressive shift to computer-aided detection (CAD) frameworks for lung cancer screening. There are different standard ML-based calculations in the writing that assistance in lung cancer determination and arrangement, for example, SVM, RF, and KNN [4]. These systems incorporate physically extricating elements and afterward preparing the classifier utilizing those separated highlights. Besides, working with the many capabilities is depleting and takes additional time. Beside that, the ML-put together model is prepared with respect to few information, which makes a speculation challenge. A few procedures utilize division calculations to analyze cellular breakdown in the lungs [5]. The area of interest (ROI) is isolated from the first picture in view of surface, variety, or grayscale. District extending, Atlas, and Thresholding are three ordinary division methods. The division based approaches' adequacy is intensely subject to the divided district and its inferred attributes. Numerous results have been acquired using division based ways to deal with distinguish lung cancer. Be that as it may, these systems keep on flopping over obscure examples and expect acclimation to bring down the false ratio.

With the advancement of deep learning, DL-based algorithms have shown good results in disease detection in various areas, such as knee [6], eye [6], potato leaf [7], brain [8], and PC vision [9]. The fundamental advantage of DL-based models is that the feature extraction phase is automatic, regardless of whether the model is based on segmentation or sequence. Moreover, DL-based models remove most of the delegated properties due to the increasing depth of layers. DL models include pooling, batch normalization (BN), convolutional layers, and fully connected layers. Pooling layers help reduce the size of the component maps, thereby reducing the complexity of the model. Several DL-based computations have been introduced to identify lung cancer, however, most methods are based on basic sequences [10]. These arrangement approaches utilize the entire picture for highlight extraction, which might prompt error of beginning phase diseases. To address the worries raised above and further develop early lung cancer discovery execution, we give a new and upgraded DL-put together model based with respect to RetinaNet [11]. Instead of a feature pyramid network (FPN), RetinaNet uses a component combination block to extract the most frequently occurring feature maps while limiting the lack of comprehensive data from the input. In addition, the dilated folding takes advantage of the strongest characteristics of small crabs in the shallow layer. Combining the attributes of higher layers with higher placement accuracy with lower layers achieves a good confinement effect. Involving context oriented data in highlight combination gives new elements from lower levels through a context oriented block. Moreover, as a result of the variable structures and sizes of minute lung cancers, the default secures performed

inadequately. To develop precise anchors and context oriented highlight combination hinders, a k-means clustering approach, like that used in YOLOv3 [12], is applied. The outcomes uncover that our proposed system accurately recognizes and characterizes little lung cancers.

2. LITERATURE SURVEY

Lung cancer is perhaps one of the most widely recognized cancers that kill individuals universally. Early ID and treatment are basic to patient recuperation. Histopathological pictures of biopsied tissue from conceivably unhealthy lungs are utilized by clinical professionals to make analyze. Most lung cancer analyze are mistaken and tedious. [1] CNNs [20, 21, 25] can recognize and arrange lung cancer sorts with better accuracy quicker than expected, which is basic for concluding patients' proper treatment procedure and endurance rate. This study thinks about harmless tissue, adenocarcinoma, and squamous cell carcinoma. The CNN model's training and validation accuracy are 96.11 and 97.2 percent, individually.

Distinguishing lung cancer early is a compelling way to deal with diminish patient mortality while expanding endurance rates. Screening computed tomography (CT) pictures for pneumonic knobs is a significant stage toward successful lung cancer treatment [18, 19, 21]. In any case, in light of the intricacy of the general climate and the assortment of the lung nodules, accurate nodule ID and discovery is pivotal. The utilization of ML to distinguish, estimate, and order disease has expanded emphatically lately, especially for muddled undertakings like lung cancer detection and identification. [2] Deep Convolutional Neural

Networks (DCNN) have filled in noticeable quality as they adjust the area of PC vision research. In this review, we utilize a DCNN for lung cancer characterization, utilizing CT pictures from the lung cancer imaging dataset consortium (LIDC), to recognize malignant and noncancerous lung nodules and contrast the order accuracy with existing methodologies.

Lung cancer is one of the most common and dangerous diseases worldwide and can affect people of all ages, from infants to the elderly. Every year, it costs large chunk of change to fix and determine patients to have lung cancer. Existing clinical methodologies, like X-rays and other imaging medicines, need costly innovation and bring about massive expenses. Hence, the most vital issue is making precise expectations and utilizing a reliable method to do as such. This features the significance of (generally more successful and more affordable) ML calculations [3, 4] in clinical finding utilizing clinical informational collections. Long haul tobacco use causes 85% of occasions of lung cancer. Around 10-15 percent of examples happen in grown-ups who have never smoked. There are many methodologies and advances accessible today for information investigation and handling. These specialized forward leaps will be referred to and utilized in the review to develop expectation models for identifying lung cancer in patients at a beginning phase. [3]The concentrate on looks at a few grouping and ensemble models, including SVM, KNN, RF, ANN, and a hybrid model called Voting Classifier. The different models' exhibition is looked at and appraised in view of their accuracy. Utilizing the present current instruments, diagnosing a patient with lung cancer at a beginning phase is straightforward.

Early finding has been displayed to build the endurance pace of lung cancer patients. The accessibility of blood-based screening might support early lung cancer patient enlistment. Our ongoing work [4] planned to recognize Chinese patients' plasma metabolites as analytic biomarkers for lung cancer. In this review, we apply a clever interdisciplinary way to deal with find early lung cancer symptomatic biomarkers by combining metabolomics and ML advancements. Our review included 110 lung cancer patients and 43 sound people. The degrees of 61 plasma metabolites were resolved utilizing a designated metabolomic investigation with LC-MS/MS. A blend of six metabolic markers successfully separates between stage I cellular breakdown in the lungs patients and solid people (AUC=0.989, sensitivity=98.1%, specificity=100%). Moreover, the main five relative significance metabolic biomarkers distinguished by the FCBF calculation might act as conceivable evaluating biomarkers for early determination of lung cancer. NB is a valuable strategy for early lung growth expectation. This study will serious areas of strength for give for the common sense of blood-based screening and present a more exact, fast, and incorporated application instrument for early lung cancer conclusion. The proposed multidisciplinary technique may be utilized to diseases other than lung cancer.

The objective of this work is to analyze glaucoma in its beginning phases utilizing DL-based highlight extraction [6]. We utilize retinal fundus pictures to prepare and assess our proposed model. The underlying step is to pre-process the photos prior to extricating the region of interest (ROI) utilizing division. The optic disc (OD) highlights are then separated from the photos including the optic cup

(OC) utilizing hybrid highlights descriptors, for example, CNN [34, 38, 47], local binary patterns (LBP), histogram of oriented gradients (HOG), and speeded up robust features (SURF). Besides, HOG is utilized to remove low-level highlights, while the LBP and SURF descriptors are utilized for surface extraction. Moreover, undeniable level qualities are determined by CNN. What's more, we utilized a component determination and positioning technique, the MR strategy, to pick the most delegate qualities. At last, multi-class classifiers, for example, SVM, RF, and KNN [4] are utilized to decide if fundus pictures are healthy or sick. Tests utilizing the RF calculation with HOG, CNN, LBP, and SURF highlight descriptors exhibited a presentation of $\leq 99\%$ accuracy on benchmark datasets and 98.8% on k-fold cross-validation for early detection of glaucoma.

3. MATERIALS AND METHODS

i) Proposed Work:

The proposed Lung-RetinaNet is an upgraded deep learning model in light of RetinaNet that decisively further develops lung cancer diagnosis. This model incorporates a multi-scale highlight combination based module, which works on the obtaining of semantic data expected for compelling recognition. The option of a widened and lightweight setting module refines qualities and accurately limits little cancers, adding to expanded responsiveness in distinguishing peculiarities. The utilization of an element combination block and versatile anchors further develops recognition accuracy by effectively overseeing different growth highlights. When tried against benchmarks, Lung-RetinaNet regularly outflanks them, affirming it as an effective and

reliable methodology for beginning phase lung cancer conclusion. The undertaking's capacities are extended with the expansion of the Xception model, which accomplishes an amazing 99% accuracy in lung cancer categorization. Besides, the utilization of YOLOv5 and YOLOv8 for location further develops lung cancer recognizable proof in pictures [12]. This multi-layered method gives a careful assessment of lung cancer patients by consolidating great classification and exact item location. The easy to use Flask framework, along with SQLite network, works on client associations and considers pragmatic execution in picture handling applications. This system works on not just the venture's viability in lung cancer diagnosis, yet in addition the complete client experience during testing and evaluation.

ii) System Architecture:

The Lung-RetinaNet framework design is expected for dependable lung cancer detection in clinical imaging. The pipeline starts with an explained lung check dataset and continues by means of picture handling, RetinaNet model creation with interesting increments, and the utilization of order techniques. Numerous location techniques, including YOLOv5, YOLOv8, Faster R-CNN, and RetinaNet, help to accurately limit lung cancer nodules [45]. Mean Average Precision, precision, and recall are execution assessment markers that ensure a total survey. The framework's essential objective is to analyze lung cancer accurately, utilizing RetinaNet's multi-scale highlight combination and setting modules to further develop responsiveness and particularity. The last result incorporates found cancer nodules, geological restriction, and certainty scores, all of which give valuable data to clinical independent direction. The Lung-RetinaNet engineering is a creative

methodology that conquers existing limitations while further developing accuracy and sensitivity in early-stage lung tumor diagnosis.

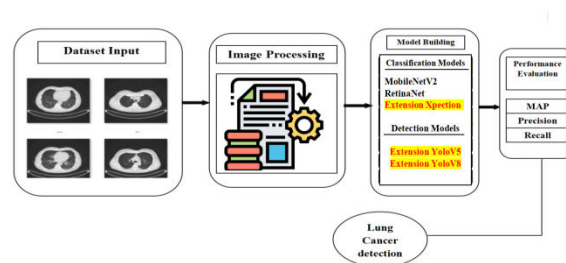


Fig 1: Proposed Architecture For Lung-RetinaNet

iii) Dataset collection:

In this study, we used two datasets: LIDC-IDRI [43] and a sample of 50 CT sweeps of lung images from the Simba lung database [44]. Our model was built based on the LIDC-IDRI dataset, and we used CT scan tests from the Simba database for cross-validation.

Lung Cancer Classification- This most probable involves getting a dataset especially intended for lung cancer detection. It might incorporate a few gatherings or classifications relating to various types or phases of lung cancer.

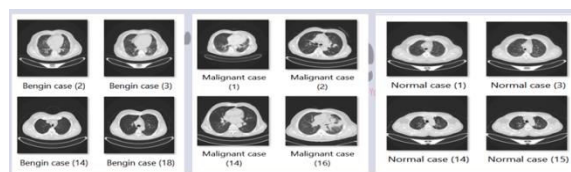


Fig 2: Test Samples For Classification

Lung Cancer Detection from Roboflow- Roboflow is a stage that offers pre-handled or explained datasets for ML applications. This dataset incorporates photographs labeled with data in regards

to lung cancers, which supports model training and evaluation.

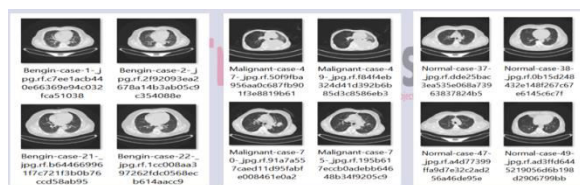


Fig 3: Test Samples For Detection

iv) Image Processing:

Image processing is basic in object acknowledgment in independent driving frameworks, containing various critical stages. The principal stage is transforming the info picture into a mass article and streamlining it for additional investigation and change. Following that, the classes of things to be distinguished are characterized, framing the specific classifications that the calculation tries to perceive. Bounding boxes are likewise given, characterizing the districts of interest inside the image where things are expected to be found. The handled information is next gone to a NumPy exhibit, which is fundamental for productive mathematical computation and investigation.

The accompanying stage is stacking a pre-prepared model utilizing existing data from huge datasets. This includes getting to the pre-prepared model's organization layers, which incorporate the learnt highlights and boundaries expected for exact article recognizable proof. Furthermore, yield layers are separated, offering last expectations and considering fruitful article segregation and arrangement.

Moreover, the picture and comment records are appended to the picture handling pipeline, guaranteeing full data for future review. The variety

space is modified by changing over from BGR to RGB, and a veil is delivered to underscore significant qualities. At long last, the picture is scaled to set it up for additional handling and investigation. This total picture handling technique lays the preparation for hearty and exact article acknowledgment in the unique setting of independent driving frameworks, thus further developing street security and dynamic abilities.

v) Data Augmentation:

Data augmentation [25,26] is a vital system for expanding the assortment and strength of preparing datasets for ML models, remarkably in image processing and PC vision. To enhance the first dataset, three fundamental modifications are utilized: randomization, turn, and change.

Randomizing the picture increments eccentricism by making irregular changes in accordance with brilliance, difference, or variety immersion. This stochastic method permits the model to more readily sum up to new information and different ecological circumstances.

Rotating the picture involves changing the first picture's direction to contrasting degrees. This augmentation technique assists with teaching the model to distinguish objects from numerous points, mimicking contrasts in certifiable conditions.

Scaling, shearing, and flipping are instances of mathematical changes for pictures. These progressions work on the dataset by adding mutilations that match certifiable contrasts in thing appearance and direction.

Utilizing these data augmentation approaches widens the preparation dataset, permitting the model to learn powerful highlights and examples. This, thus, expands the model's ability to sum up and perform effectively over an extensive variety of intense test conditions. Data augmentation is a significant strategy for decreasing overfitting, working on model execution, and expanding the dependability of ML models, especially in applications like image recognition for autonomous driving systems.

vi) Algorithms:

There are two types of network-based detectors: one-stage and two-stage. Two-stage detectors, such as RCNN, CNN, and MaskRCNN, use a region proposal network to distinguish regions of interest (ROIs). These zones are then utilized for characterization and relapse purposes. While these models produce extraordinary accuracy and precision, their design oftentimes brings about poor handling times.

Classification Algorithms-

VGG16 (Visual Geometry Group 16)- VGG16 is a DCNN prestigious for its straightforwardness and viability. It is generally utilized for picture grouping position. The architecture comprises of numerous convolutional and completely connected layers.

DenseNet201- DenseNet is a densely connected convolutional network in which each layer speaks with each and every layer in a feed-forward way. DenseNet201, specifically, utilizes a greater design, which brings about better accuracy for picture characterization undertakings in light of the fact that to its profundity and association.

EfficientNet B2- EfficientNet is a class of CNNs that accomplishes state of the art execution by adjusting network depth, broadness, and goal. EfficientNet B2 is one of the varieties that has been advanced to adjust model size and execution, bringing about effectiveness regarding both registering assets and accuracy.

ResNet101- ResNet (Residual Network) laid out lingering associations with address the evaporating gradient problem in very DNN. ResNet101 alludes to a ResNet architecture with 101 layers that can learn convoluted highlights and examples [11].

MobileNetV2- MobileNetV2 is produced for portable and edge gadgets, with an emphasis on productivity and high exactness. It utilizes depthwise distinct convolutions to limit computational intricacy while keeping up with elite execution in picture characterization applications.

RetinaNet (Object Detection used in classification)- While RetinaNet is best perceived for object detection, it might likewise be utilized for grouping by using its characterization subnetwork. It is a two-stage detector noted for its capacity to distinguish objects at different sizes inside pictures [11].

Detection Algorithms

Faster R-CNN (Region-based Convolutional Neural Network)- Faster R-CNN is a well known object discovery model that comprises of two phases: a region proposal network (RPN) for making district ideas and an identification network for thing classification and limitation.

RetinaNet (Object Detection)-As recently expressed, RetinaNet is a two-stage object recognizable proof design that consolidates an Feature Pyramid Network (FPN) with grouping and relapse subnetworks. It is perceived for its capacity to deal with things of fluctuating sizes [11].

YOLO Models

YOLO (You Only Look Once)- YOLO is a continuous item recognition model with high accuracy. YOLO models break pictures into frameworks and straightforwardly conjecture bouncing boxes and class probabilities, which contrasts from area based approaches like Faster R-CNN or RetinaNet. Using YOLO models in the Lung-RetinaNet research is apparently expected to work on the accuracy and robustness of tumor finding by exploiting YOLO's novel way to deal with object identification

4. EXPERIMENTAL RESULTS

The recommended framework is assessed utilizing various measures, including Precision, Accuracy, F1 Score, Recall, and Area under the Curve (AUC).

Precision: Precision quantifies the percentage of certain events or tests that are well characterized. To attain accuracy, use the formula:

$$\text{Precision} = \frac{\text{True positives}}{\text{True positives} + \text{False positives}} = \frac{TP}{TP + FP}$$

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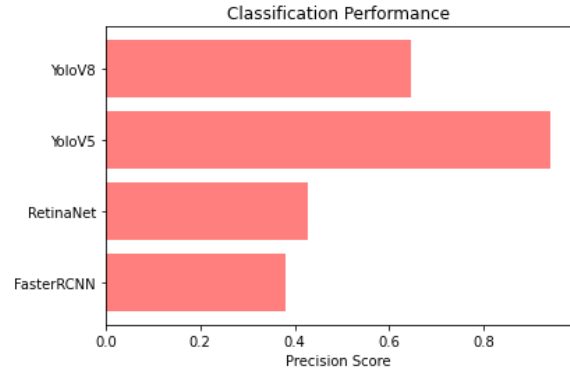


Fig 3: Precision comparison graph

Recall: ML recall measures a model's ability to catch all class occurrences. The model's ability to recognize a certain type of event is measured by the percentage of precisely anticipated positive prospects that turn into real earnings.

$$\text{Recall} = \frac{TP}{TP + FN}$$

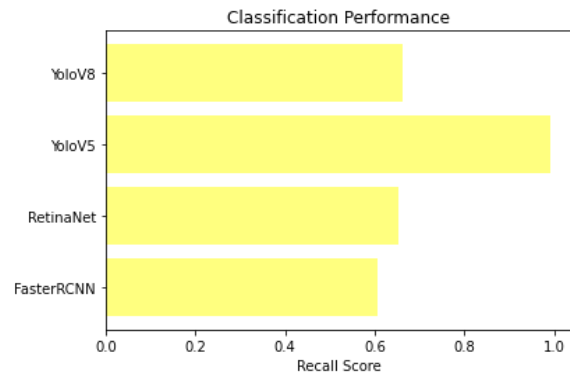


Fig 4: Recall comparison graph

mAP: Mean Average Precision (MAP) measures positioning quality. It considers the rundown's amount and scope of relevant recommendations. The MAP is the arithmetic mean of the Average Precision (AP) at K for all clients and queries.

$$mAP = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^{k=n} AP_k$$

$AP_k = \text{the AP of class } k$
 $n = \text{the number of classes}$

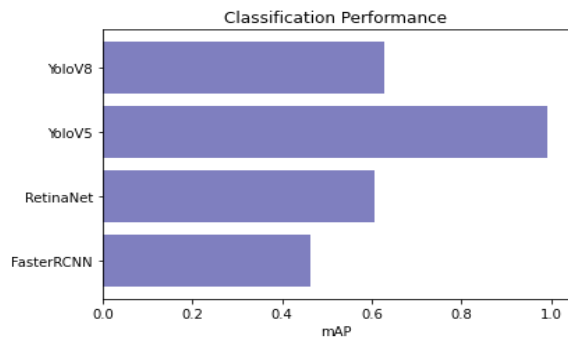


Fig 5: mAP comparison graph

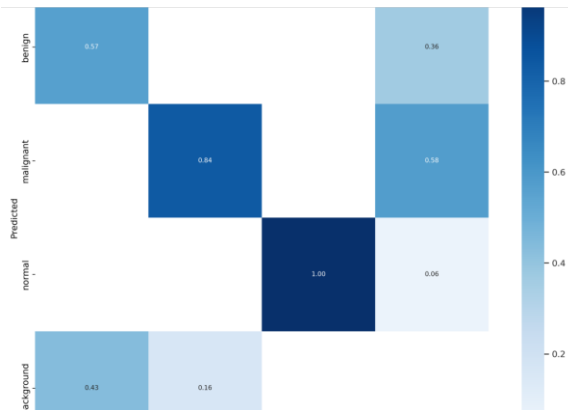


Fig 6: Confusion Matrix

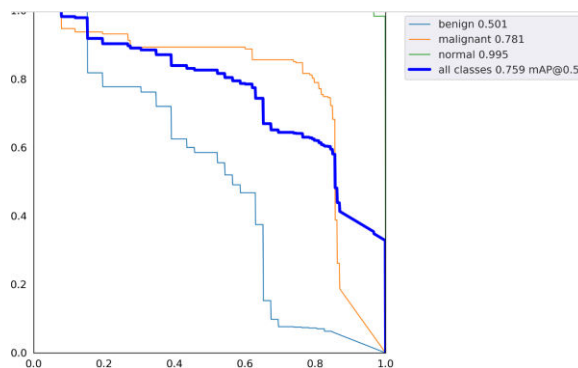


Fig 6: Precision-Recall Curve

ML Model	Precision	Recall	mAP
FasterRCNN	0.382	0.606	0.463
RetinaNet	0.427	0.653	0.605
Extension YoloV5	0.940	0.990	0.990
Extension YoloV8	0.645	0.663	0.628

Fig 7: Performance Evaluation table

5. CONCLUSION

When contrasted with existing methodologies, the Lung-RetinaNet model for lung tumor ID beats them concerning precision and execution. This improvement may be credited to the model's high level engineering and special modules, which were explicitly planned to tackle the constraints of ordinary methodologies. The model incorporates a "multi-scale highlight combination based module" that blends information from a few scales or layers of the organization. This combination permits the model to get a more exhaustive handle of lung tumor qualities, consequently improving its ability to distinguish tumors of different sizes. Besides, the consolidation of a "expanded and lightweight setting module" assists with catching a more prominent setting around cancers while without extensively expanding figuring intricacy. This setting mindfulness aids the determination of little lung cancers that could somehow slip through the cracks [39, 45]. By including context oriented data at each layer of the NN, the model works on its capacity to appropriately confine cancers inside lung pictures. This logical mindfulness empowers the model to identify cancers as well as deal exact data about their area inside the photos. The Lung-RetinaNet model's presentation is thoroughly contrasted with other

contemporary DL-based procedures, which might incorporate designs like VGG, ResNet, or other explicit models worked for lung cancer finding. In these correlations, the Lung-RetinaNet model beats existing cutting edge approaches by exhibiting higher identification accuracy and additional promising results in perceiving lung cancers.

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