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# Image classification

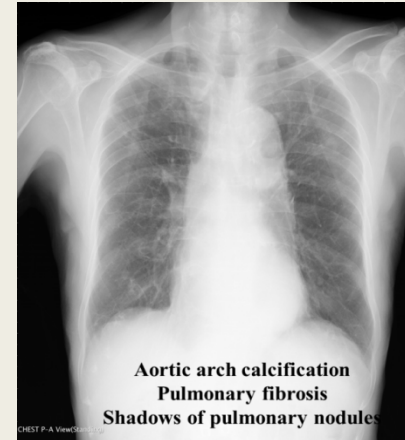
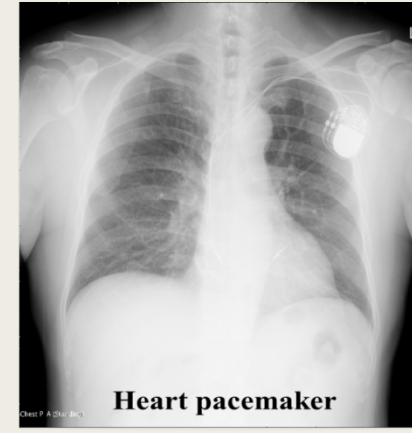


Assume given set of pathology categories (labels):

{normal, cardiac hypertrophy, aortic sclerosis, lung infiltration, ...}

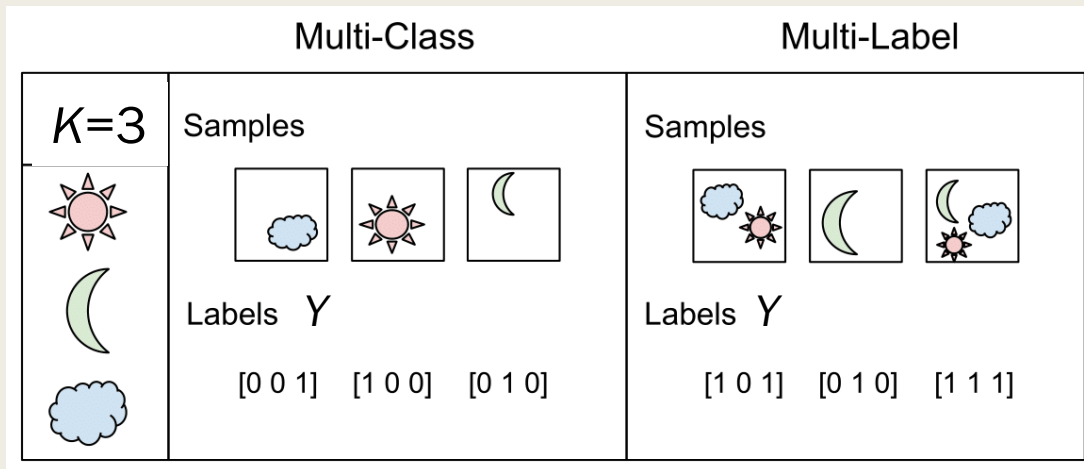
→ cardiac hypertrophy

# Chest X-rays pathology categories



Multiple pathologies per patient





# Multi-label classification

- Each image can belong to **more than one** pathology category (class).
- The outcome vector  $\mathbf{Y} = (Y_1, \dots, Y_K)$  will be a one-hot vector (i.e.,  $Y_k = 1$  or  $0, \forall k$ ) with more than a positive class (i.e.,  $Y_p = 1$ ), so it will be a vector of 0's and 1's with  $K$  dimensionality.
- This task is treated as  $K$  different binary and independent classification problems.

# Multi-label classification: example

- A dataset containing chest x-ray images with disease labels
- Each image can belong to **more than one** of the following 4 abnormalities : 心臟肥大、主動脈硬化、肺紋增加、脊椎病變
- Set  $Y = (Y_{\text{心臟肥大}}, Y_{\text{主動脈硬化}}, Y_{\text{肺紋增加}}, Y_{\text{脊椎病變}})$
- For心臟肥大+主動脈硬化,  $Y = (1,1,0,0)$
- For脊椎病變only,  $Y = (0,0,0,1)$
- For正常,  $Y = (0,0,0,0)$

# Multi-label classification

- May have more than one class to be assigned and the label vector may be 0 or 1 in each element.
- Activation function : sigmoid  $\sigma(z_k) = \frac{e^{z_k}}{1+e^{z_k}}, k = 1, \dots, K$
- Loss function : batch weighted binary cross-entropy (bW-BCE)

$$L_{\text{bW-BCE}} = \sum_{j=1}^J \left( \sum_{m=1}^M \left\{ \beta_{Pj} \sum_{k: y_{jmk}=1} \left[ -\ln \left( \sigma \left( f_k(\mathbf{x}_{jm}) \right) \right) \right] \right\} \right) +$$

# Transfer learning

## When

- Training data extremely limited in some professional fields
- Training data and testing data may follow different distributions

## What

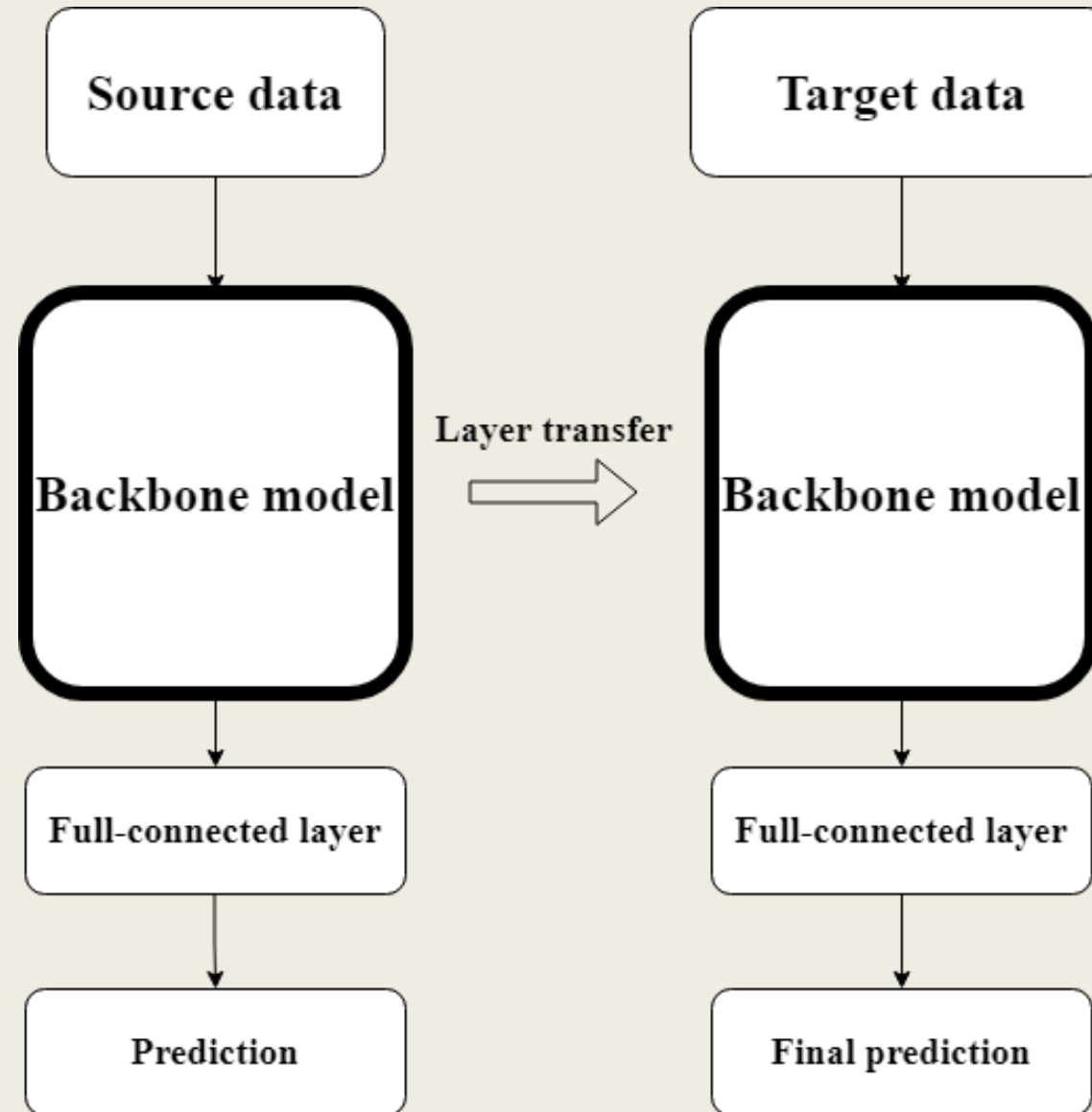
- Transfer the trained parameters to a new model in order to accelerate and optimize the process of training
- Inherit the existing neural network and adjust it for new data

## Why

- Standing on the shoulders of giants
- Training cost can be very low
- Suitable for learning tasks in small datasets



# Transfer learning



# Target dataset (E-DA Chest X-ray )

Categories	Sample Size	Subcategory	Sample Size
normal	1314	normal	1314
aortic sclerosis/calcification	91	aortic arch atherosclerotic plaque	28
		aortic arch calcification	16
		aortic atherosclerosis	25
		aortic wall calcification	22
arterial curvature	96	Aortic curvature	67
		Thoracic vertebral artery curvature	29
abnormal lung fields	33	small pulmonary nodules	5
		shadows of pulmonary nodules	8
		tuberculosis	5
		pulmonary fibrosis	15
increased lung patterns	154	increased lung streak	24
		lung field infiltration	85
		obvious hilar	45
spinal lesions	151	degenerative joint disease of the thoracic spine	76
		scoliosis	75
intercostal pleural thickening	36	intercostal pleural thickening	36
cardiac hypertrophy	42	cardiac hypertrophy	42
heart pacemaker placement	7	heart pacemaker placement	7

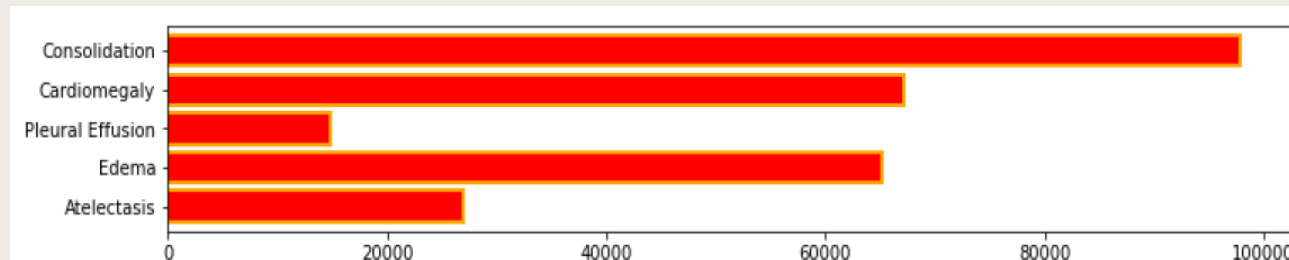
- Source : E-DA hospital
- Size : 1924
- Category : 19
- Data type : DICOM
- Image size :  
 1824~2688 pixels in length  
 1536~2680 pixels in width



# Source datasets

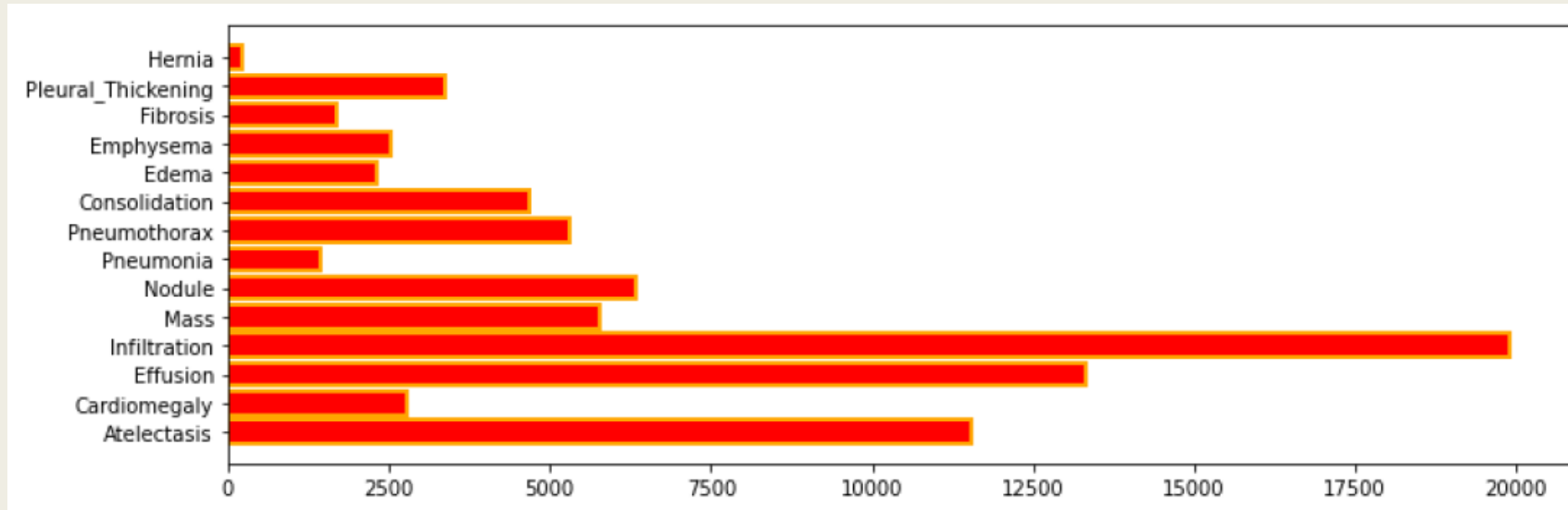
Category	Name	Class	Size	Similarity with the target data
Source data	ImageNet	22,000 +	15 million+	Not closed
Source data	CheXpert	14	224,316	Closed
Source data	NIH Chest X-ray	14	112,120	Closed

## CheXpert



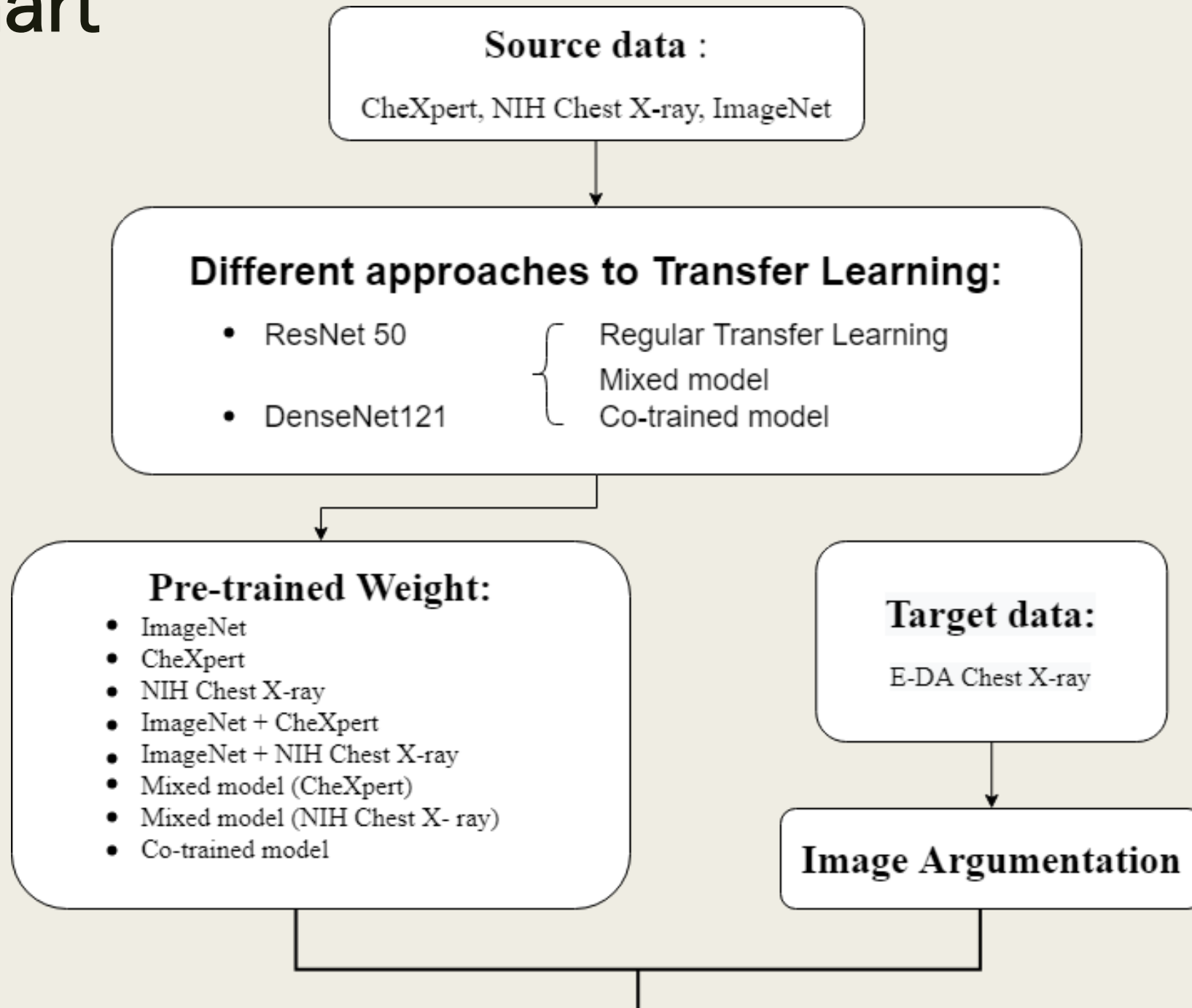
- Size : 224,316
- Category : 14
- Data type : PNG
- Image size : 1024\*1024
- Source : <https://stanfordmlgroup.github.io/competitions/chexpert/>
- Characteristic : uncertain label u

# NIH Chest X-ray

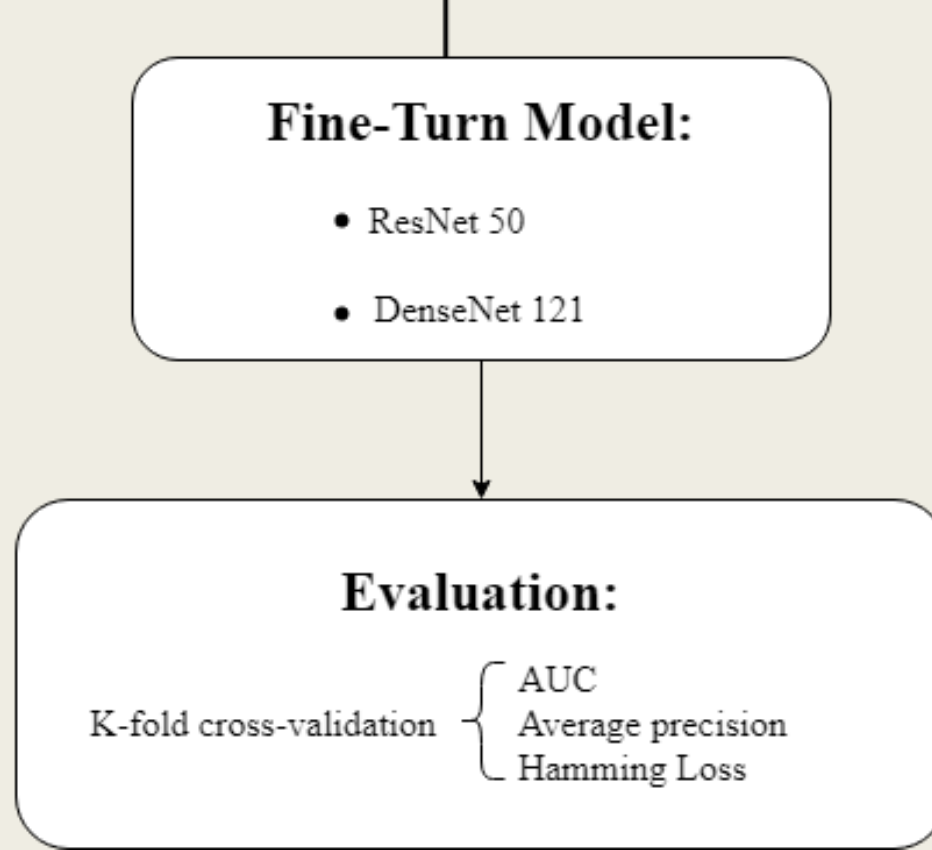


- Size : 112,120
- Category : 14
- Data type : PNG
- Image size : 1024\*1024
- Source : <https://nihcc.app.box.com/v/ChestXray-NIHCC/folder/36938765345>
- Characteristic : the labels are expected to be over 90% accurate and suitable for weakly-supervised learning.

# Flow chart



# Flow chart



# Pre-processing

Target data (E-DA Chest X-ray) :

- Removing replicate images .
- Merge original diseases and discard the class “heart pacemaker placement”
- Transform the DICOM format into PNG for saving memory.
- Resize the images into 512\*512.
- Remove the fourth channel of these images.
- Use image Argumentation to randomly generate different images.



# The format of x-ray image

- DICOM: Digital Imaging and Communications in Medicine



- **Image**

- Width: 1944
- Height: 2448
- **BitDepth: 12**
- ColorType: 'grayscale'
- ImagerPixelSpacing

- **Patient**

- PatientName
- PatientID
- PatientBirthDate
- PatientSex

- **Dose**

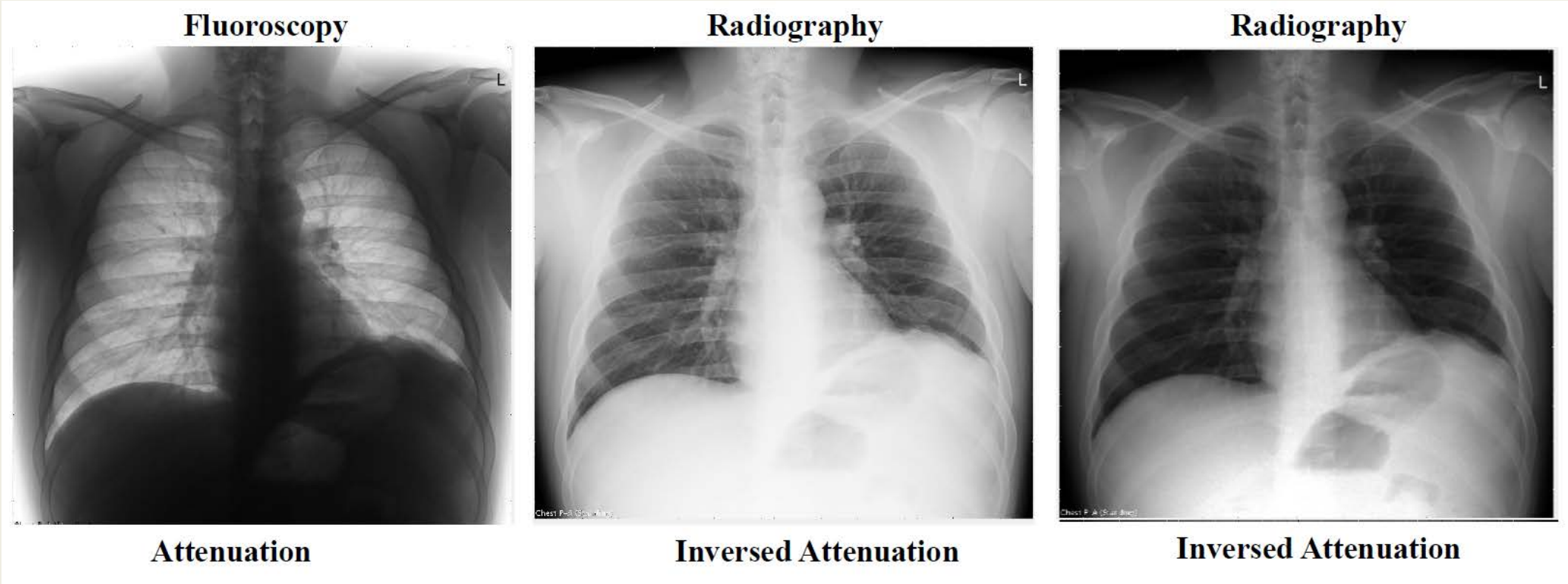
- DistanceSourceToDetector: 1800
- DistanceSourceToPatient: 1770
- KVP: 100
- ExposureTime: 11
- XrayTubeCurrent: 400
- **Exposure: 4**

- **Transformation**

- **PixelIntensityRelationshipSign: 1**
- **PixelIntensityRelationship: 'LOG'**
- **WindowCenter: 2048**
- **WindowWidth: 4096**
- **PresentationLUTShape: 'INVERSE'**



# Pre-processing: Inverse attenuation, contrasting



# Pre-processing: Image augmentation



Original



Rotate



Shift



Shear



Zoom



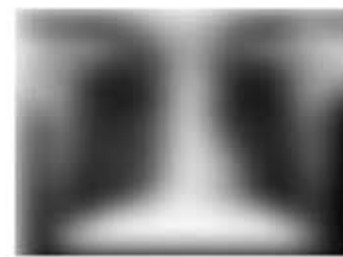
Rescale



Horizontal flip



Vertical flip



Gaussian

# Pre-processing

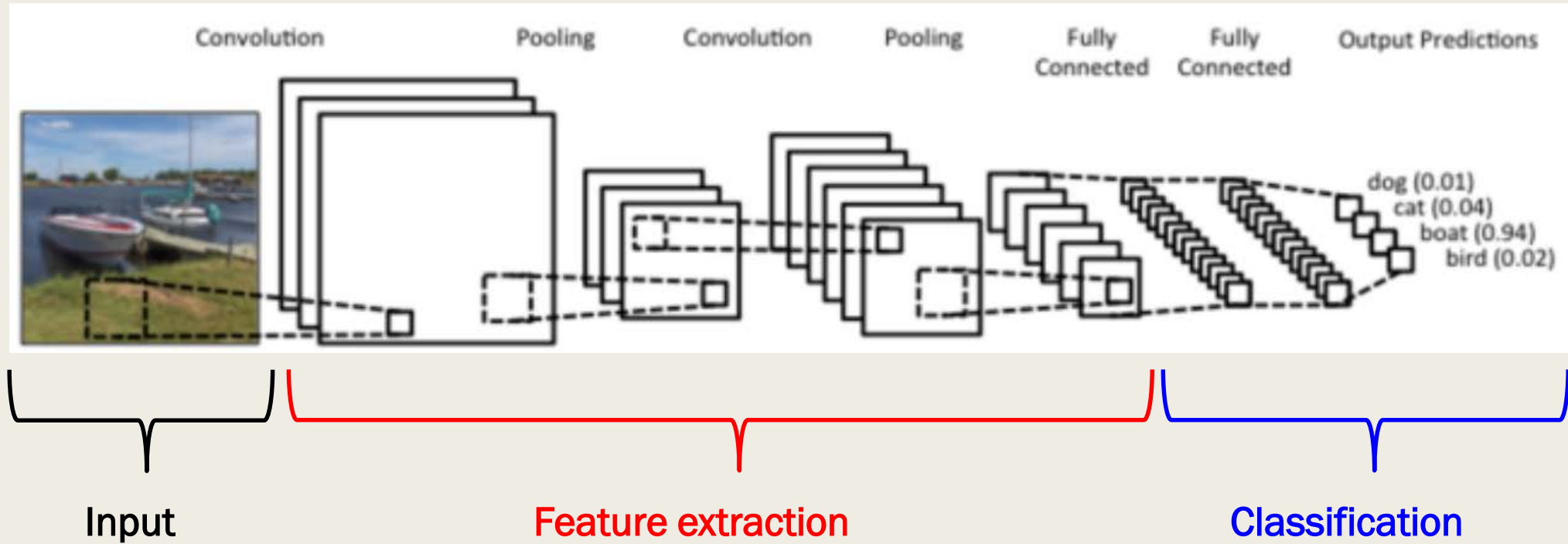
Source data (CheXpert and NIH Chest X-ray) :

- Resize the images into 512\*512.
- Replicate the one-channel image three times and remove the fourth channel of the four-channel images.

To deal with the uncertainty label of CheXpert, we reconstruct a five-dimension label vector according to the original paper, then take it as a five class multi-label

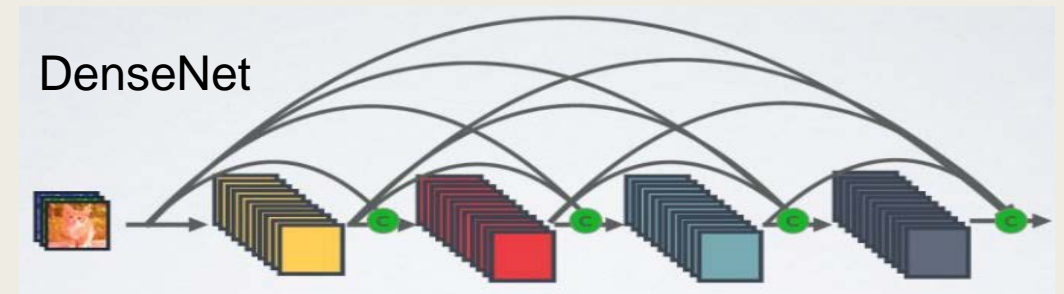
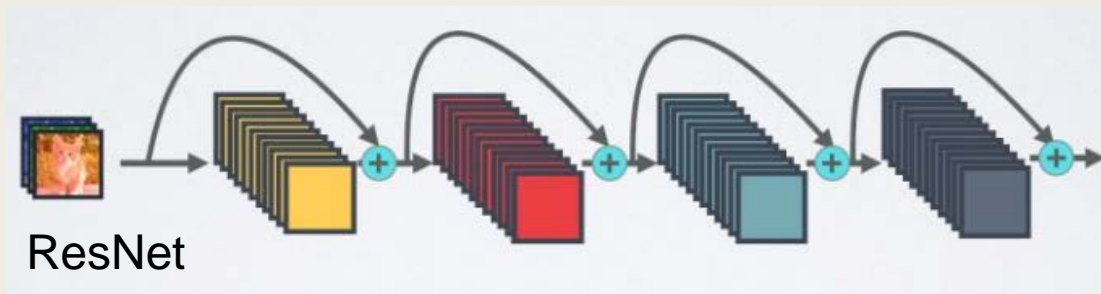
	Atelectasis	Cardiomegaly	Consolidation	Edema	Pleural Effusion
U-Ignore	0.818 (0.759,0.877)	0.828 (0.760,0.888)	0.928 (0.895,0.970)	0.934 (0.893,0.975)	0.928 (0.894,0.962)
U-Zeros	0.811 (0.751,0.872)	0.840 (0.783,0.897)	0.932 (0.898,0.966)	0.929 (0.888,0.970)	0.931 (0.897,0.965)
U-Ones	<b>0.858 (0.806,0.910)</b>	0.852 (0.775,0.890)	0.899 (0.854,0.944)	<b>0.941 (0.903,0.980)</b>	0.934 (0.901,0.967)

# CNN architectures



# Back-bone CNN model

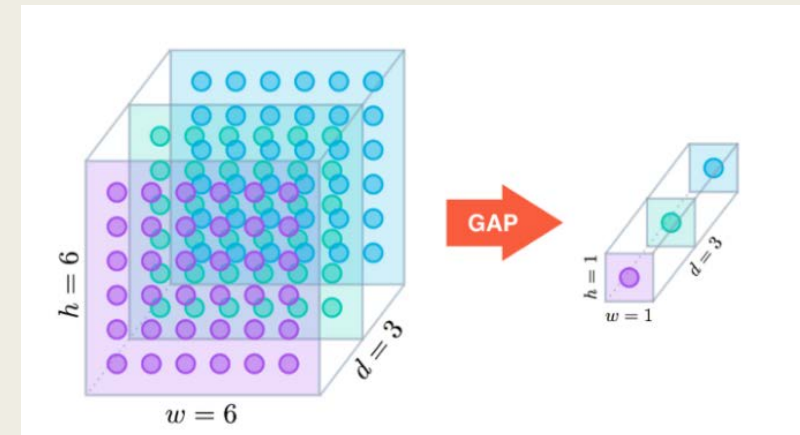
	<b>ResNet</b>	<b>DenseNet</b>
<b>Innovation</b>	residual learning	dense shortcuts
	shortcuts connection	feature reuse
	no degradation	transition layer
<b>Output in L layer</b>	$X_L = H_L(x_{L-1}) + x_{L-1}$	$x_{L-1} = H_L([x_0, x_1, \dots, x_{L-1},])$
<b>Splicing method</b>	element-wise add	concatenate
<b>training speed</b>	fast	slow
<b>Number of parameters</b>	big	small



# Parameter settings

Parameters	Settings
Input size	512*512*3
Optimizer	Adam
Learning rate	0.0001
Batch size	16
Epochs	30
Loss	Weighted binary cross-entropy
Metrics	Binary accuracy, Mae

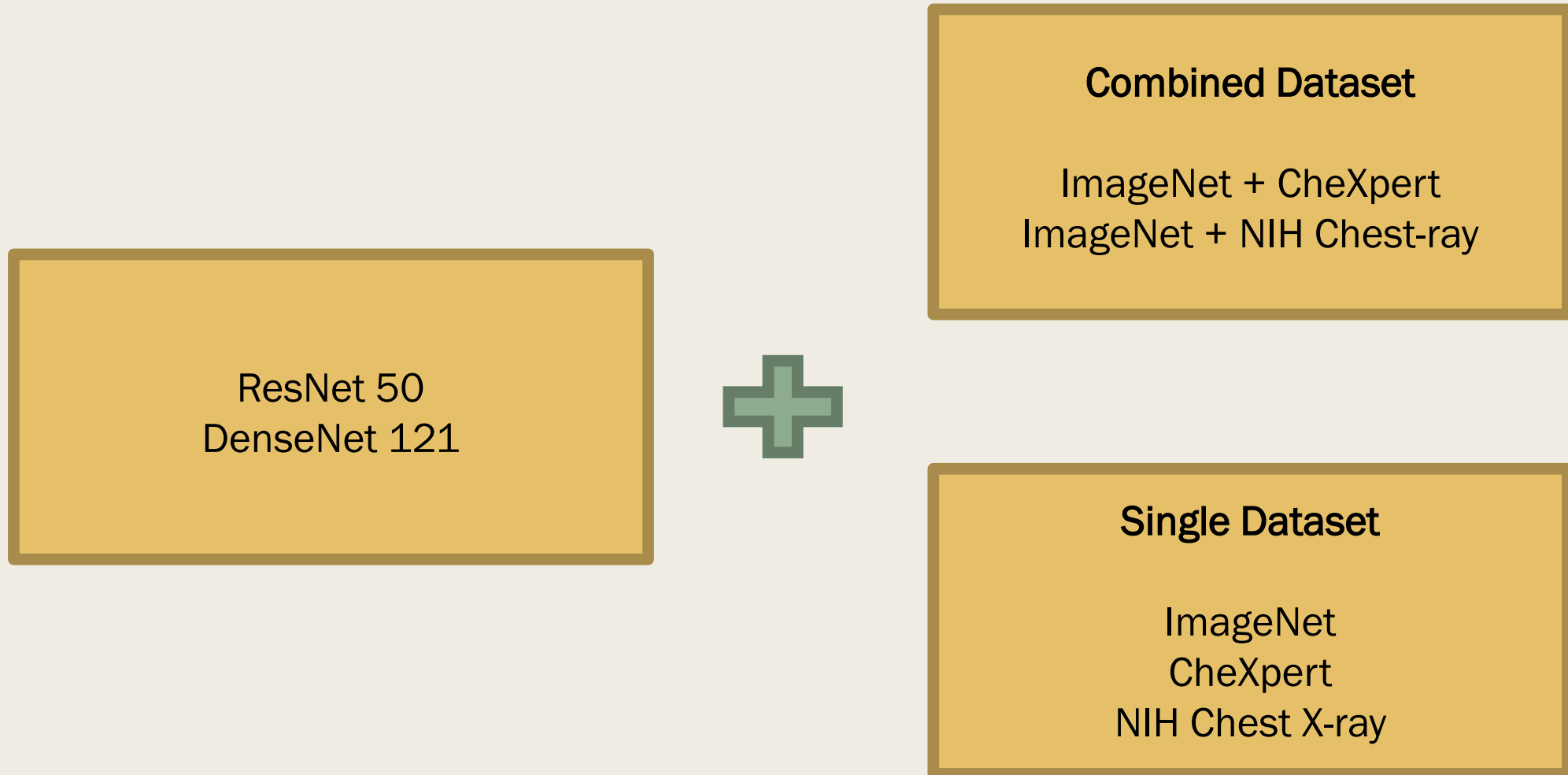
- Dropout layer when training pre-trained weights
- GAP (global average pooling layer) to reduce dimension instead of flatten.
- Learning rate scheduler to speed up convergence



# Approaches for transfer learning

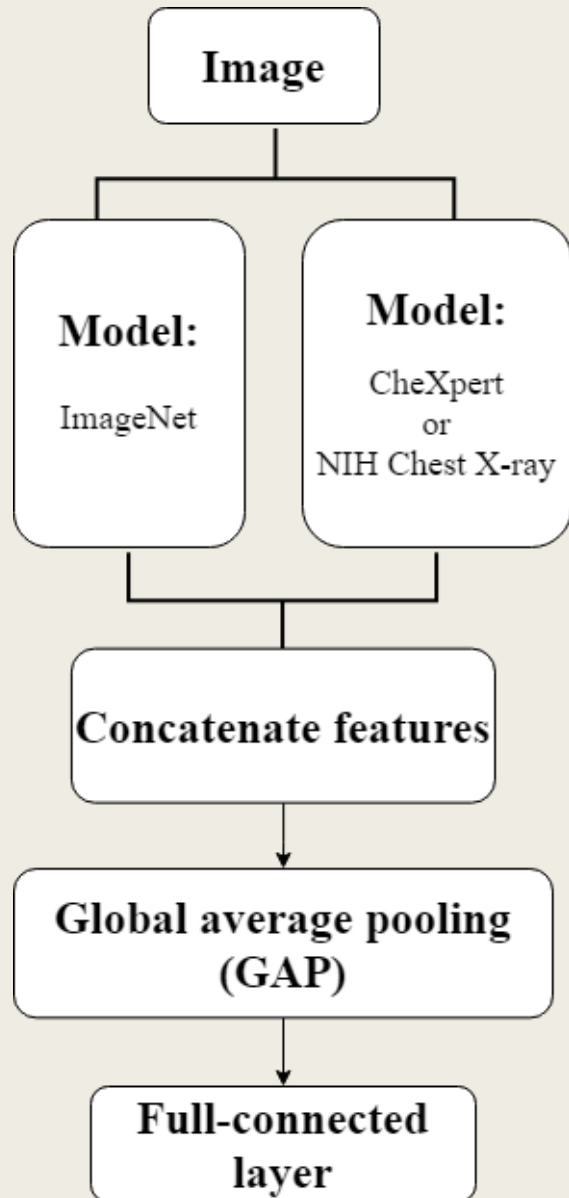
1. Regular transfer learning
2. Mixed model
3. Co-trained model

# Regular transfer learning



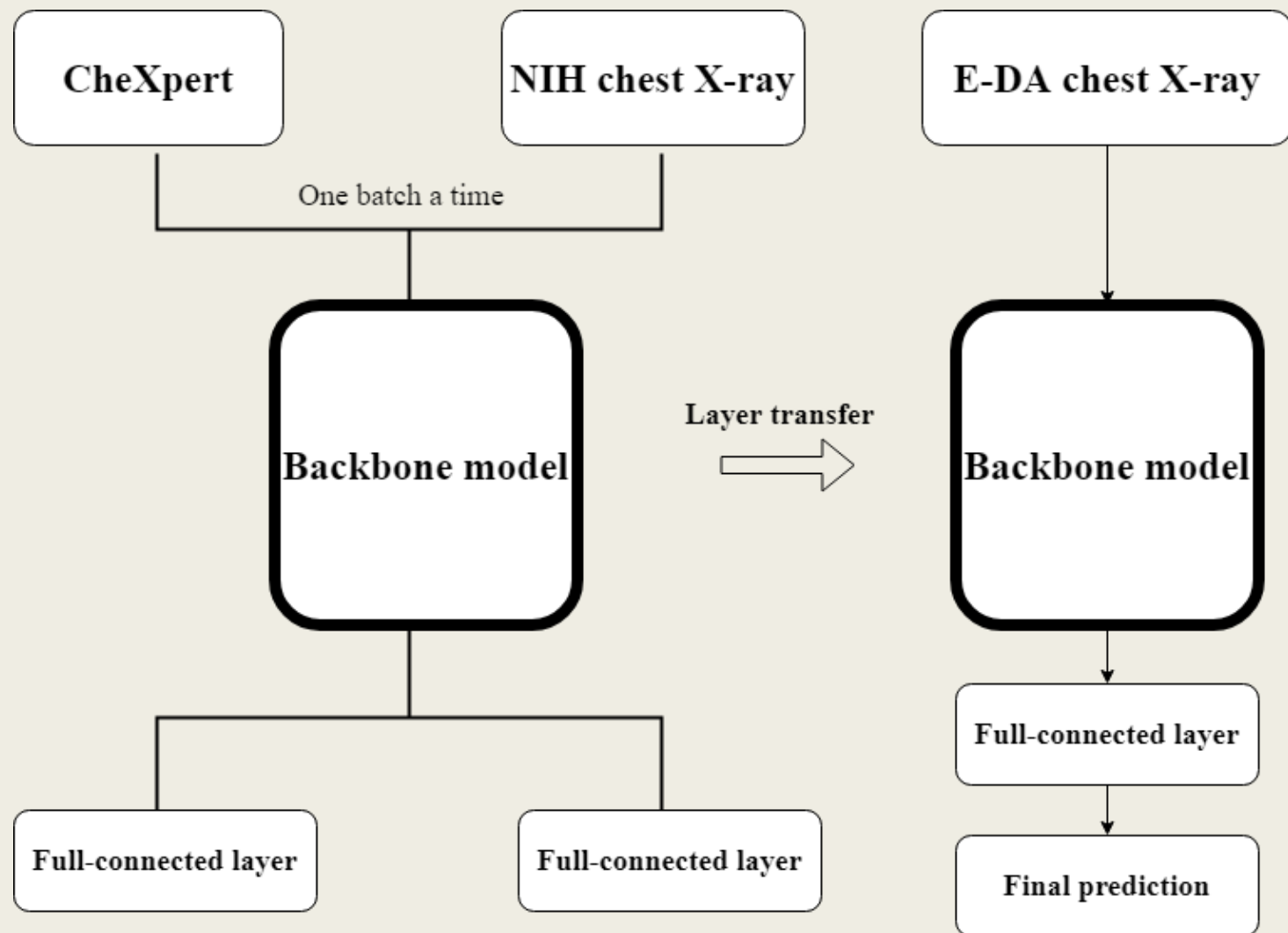


# Mixed model



- Pros: Expand features from two different domains
- Cons: Cost twice the memory and time to store and upgrade the parameters

# Co-trained model



# Evaluation metrics

- Stratified  $K$ -fold cross-validation :  
with package “MultilabelStratifiedKFold”
- Metrics :

		True Class	
		Positive	Negative
Predicted Class	Positive	TP	FP
	Negative	FN	TN

1. ROC curve and AUC :  $FPR = \frac{FP}{FP+TN}$ ,  $TPR = \frac{TP}{TP+FN}$
2. Precision curve and Average precision :  $Recall = \frac{TP}{TP+FN} = TPR$  ,  
 $Precision = \frac{TP}{TP+FP}$
3. Hamming Loss :

$$h_{loss} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{XOR(Y_{ij}, P_{ij})}{L}, \text{ where } XOR(x, y) : \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } x \neq y \\ 0, & \text{if } x = y \end{cases}$$

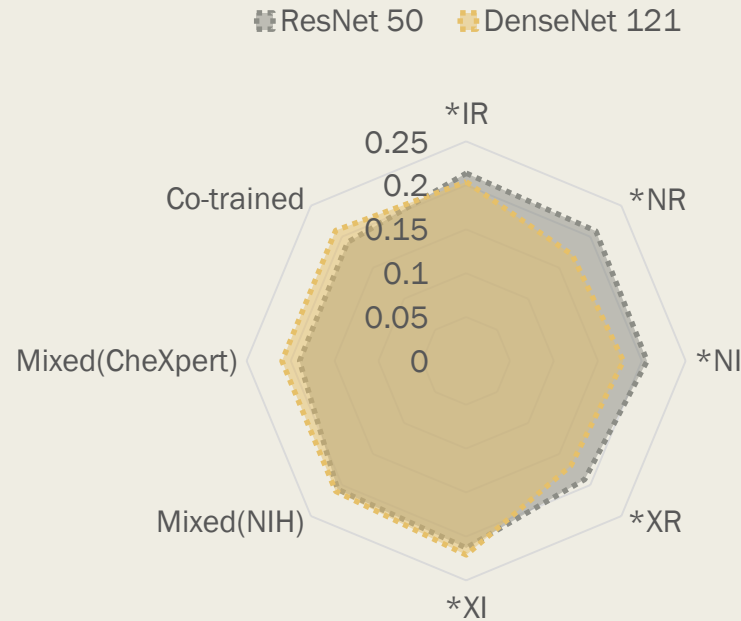
$$threshold = (1 - P_{ij}) \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N Y_{ij}}{\sum_{i=1}^N (1 - Y_{ij})}$$

# Three different perspectives

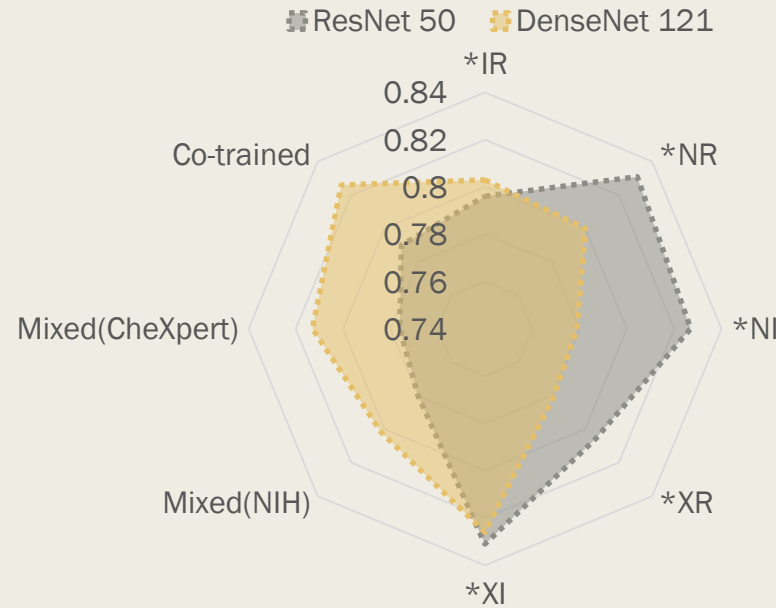
1. Backbone model selection : ResNet 50 vs. DenseNet 121.
2. Source data selection : ImageNet vs. CheXpert vs. NIH chest X-ray
3. Combination method selection :  
Regular transfer learning vs. Mixed model vs. Co-trained model

# Backbone model selection

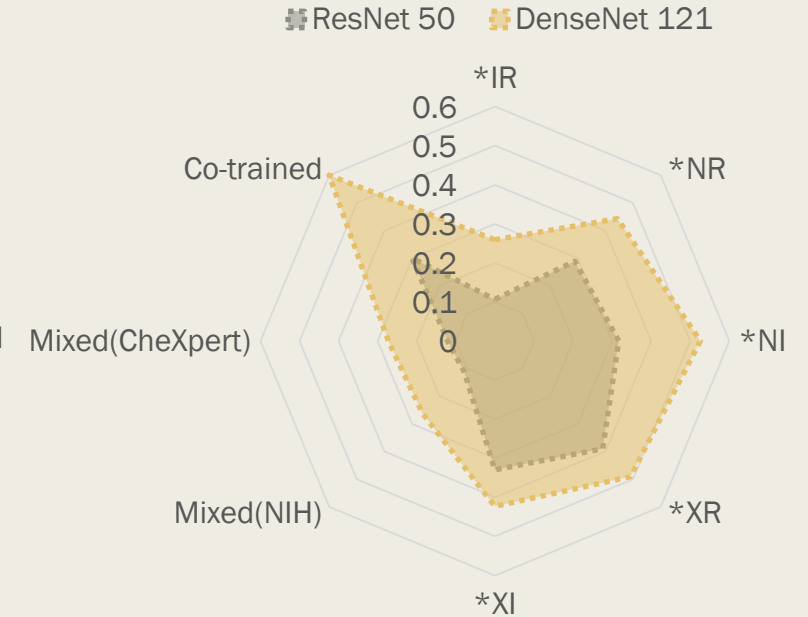
## AVERAGE PRECISION SCORE



## AUC



## HAMMING LOSS



- For regular transfer learning the ResNet 50 performs better. On the contrary, the DenseNet 121 performs better in the mixed model and the co-trained method.
- DenseNet performs almost twice worse than ResNet in the hamming loss, which might be due to the dense-connection in DenseNet.

# Source data selection

## ResNet 50

Dataset	Training		Testing	
	Binary accuracy	MAE	AP	AUC
ImageNet	93.53% (+/-0.45%)	0.07 (+/-0.00)	0.214	0.796
CheXpert	81.85% (+/-7.80%)	0.20 (+/-0.08)	0.191	0.806
NIH	87.85% (+/-1.71%)	0.14 (+/-0.02)	0.209	0.831

## DenseNet 121

Dataset	Training		Testing	
	Binary accuracy	MAE	AP	AUC
ImageNet	91.56% (+/-1.21%)	0.11(+/-0.01)	0.204	0.803
CheXpert	79.88% (+/-9.99%)	0.23(+/-0.09)	0.169	0.781
NIH	80.70% (+/-12.10%)	0.22(+/-0.11)	0.171	0.8

- The NIH dataset performs better than CheXpert, the reason may due to the uncertain labelling.
- ImageNet performs better than the NIH dataset in training process, but the performance becomes even worse in the testing process.

# Combination method selection

## ResNet 50

		Training		Testing	
Method	Dataset	Binary accuracy	MAE	AP	AUC
Regular Transfer learning	ImageNet + CheXpert	85.22% (+/-3.59%)	0.16 (+/-0.04)	0.213	0.831
	ImageNet + NIH	86.82% (+/-2.04%)	0.15 (+/-0.02)	0.206	0.827
Mixed model	ImageNet + CheXpert	92.97% (+/-0.68%)	0.08 (+/-0.01)	0.19	0.776
	ImageNet + NIH	93.48% (+/-0.50%)	0.07 (+/-0.01)	0.207	0.78
Co-trained	CheXpert + NIH	85.48% (+/-4.71%)	0.16 (+/-0.05)	0.191	0.79

## DenseNet 121

		Training		Testing	
Method	Dataset	Binary accuracy	MAE	AP	AUC
Regular Transfer learning	ImageNet + CheXpert	86.44% (+/-1.47%)	0.17(+/-0.02)	0.221	0.826
	ImageNet + NIH	78.35% (+/-11.89%)	0.25(+/-0.11)	0.179	0.779
Mixed model	ImageNet + CheXpert	91.40% (+/-0.75%)	0.11(+/-0.01)	0.21	0.813
	ImageNet + NIH	93.48% (+/-0.50%)	0.07(+/-0.01)	0.21	0.802
Co-trained	CheXpert + NIH	77.45% (+/-6.91%)	0.26(+/-0.07)	0.21	0.826

# Combination method selection

- In training process the method “mixed model” has the best performance, but it doesn't reflect in the testing process.
- For ResNet 50 the regular transfer learning performs the best.
- For DenseNet 121 the performance of co-trained is tied for first with the regular transfer learning.
- The performance after combination is better, especially for DenseNet 121.



# Conclusion

Subject	Contents	Results
Backbone model	ResNet50	Regular transfer learning
	DenseNet121	Mixed model and co-trained model
Source datasets	ImageNet, CheXpert , NIH chest X-ray	NIH chest X-ray
Combination method	Regular transfer-learning, Mixed model, Co-trained model	ResNet50 for Regular transfer-learning DenseNet121 for Co-trained model

- Single dataset is suitable for ResNet 50 and combined dataset is suitable for DenseNet 121.
- A clean label and closed domain to our target data performs better.
- No matter which way we choose to combine datasets, the result is better.

**The End !**

**Thank you !**