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Al-based industrial engineering: using data for improved decision making

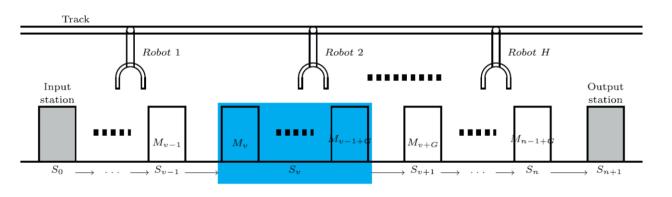
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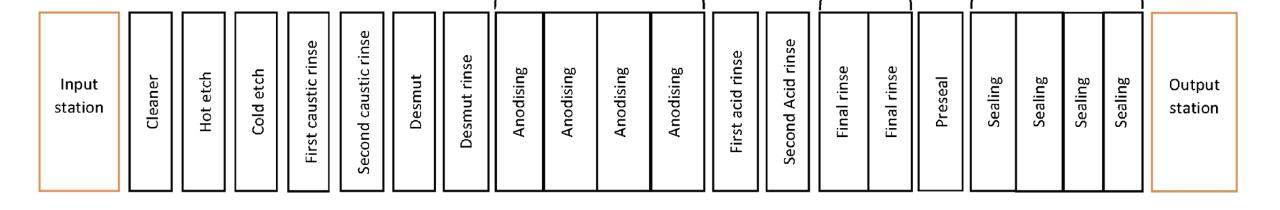


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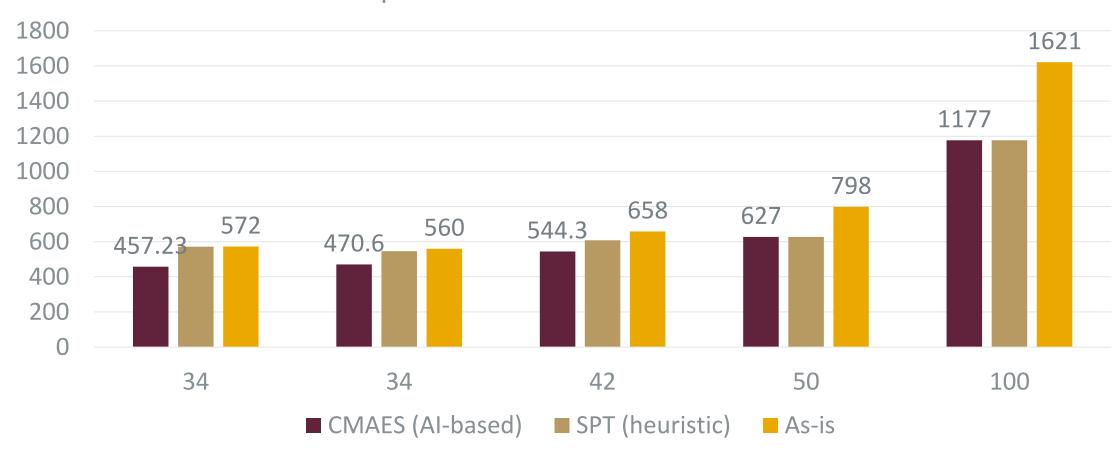






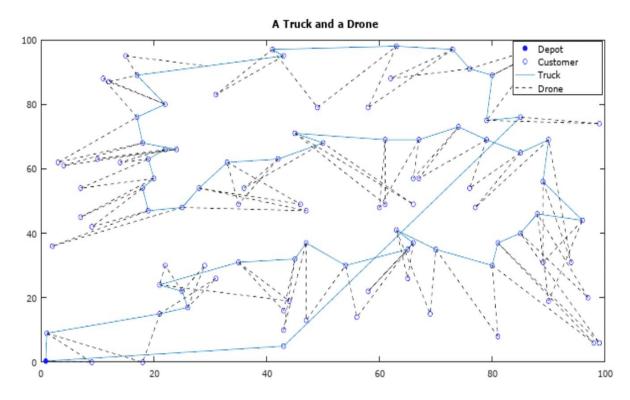
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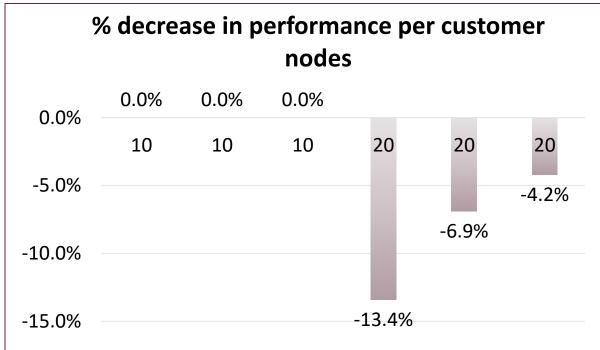
Completion time vs # customer nodes



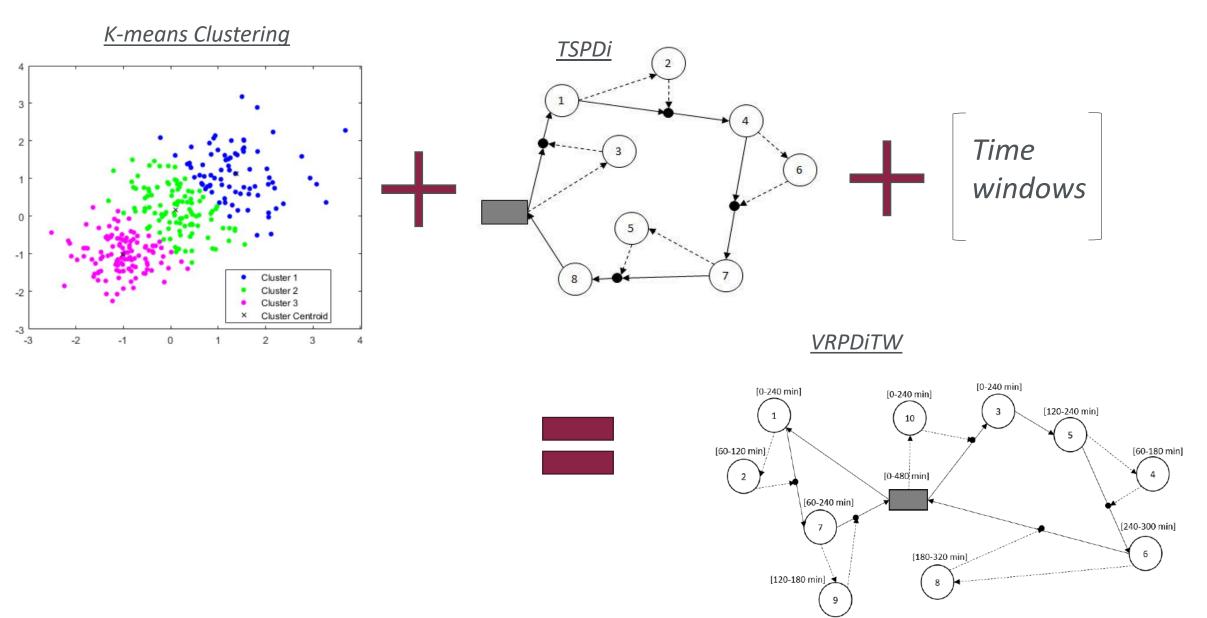


Optimal vs Al-based Algorithm Results





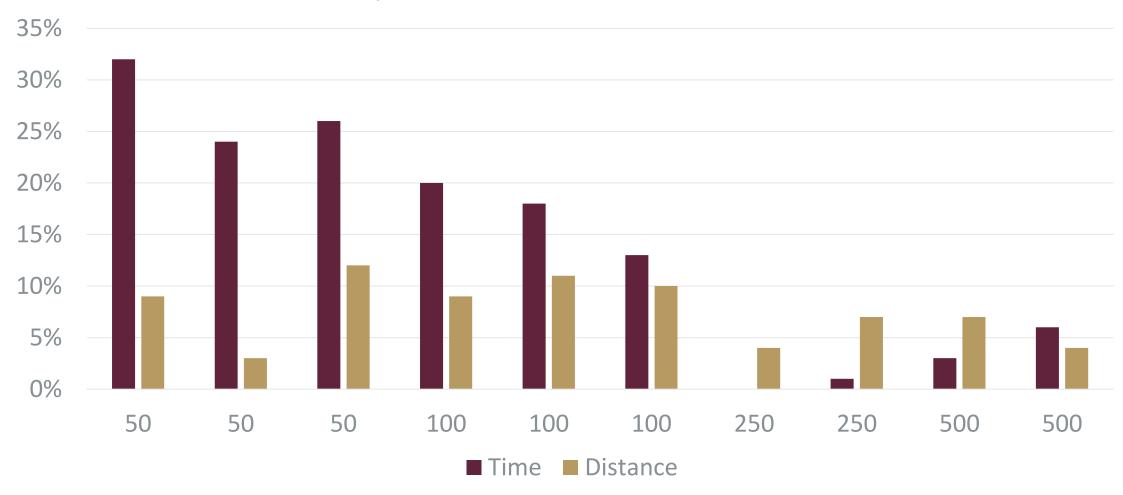
VRPDi with time windows



Truck-only vs truck-and-drone system

(with time windows)

% improvement vs # of customer nodes





Mozambican Cassava Suppliers













Cassava stiff porridge

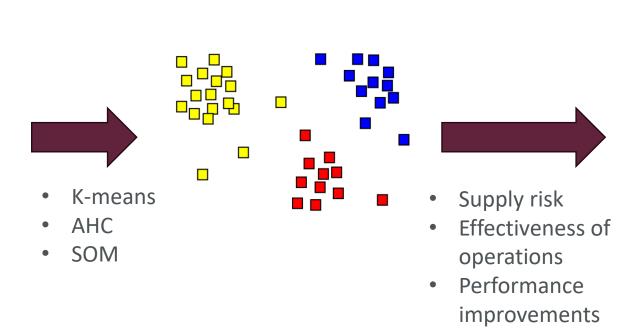
Boiled cassava roots

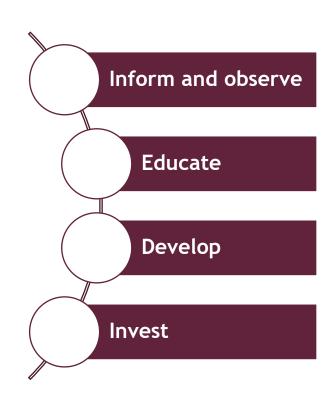
Cassava leaves

Segmentation of Mozambican Cassava Suppliers



Feature name
Farmer code
Location of factory
Location of plot
Latitude of plot
Longitude of plot
Fieldworker
Modified variety?
Starch content (%)
Cassava quantity (Kg)
Cassava cost (<u>MZN</u>)
Transport cost (MZN)





Deep learning for identifying paediatric tuberculosis

- Tuberculosis diagnosis in young children is difficult.
- Most prevalent in LMIC.
- Common symptom of lymphobronchial tuberculosis is enlarged lymph nodes which lead to airway compression.
- This study investigated the use of deep learning for identifying lymphobronchial tuberculosis in children under the age of 5 with chest X-ray images as input.

Tuberculosis

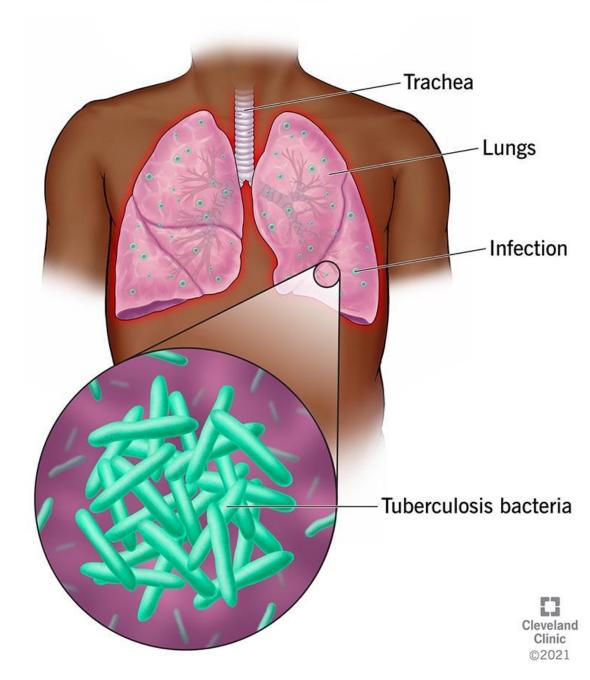
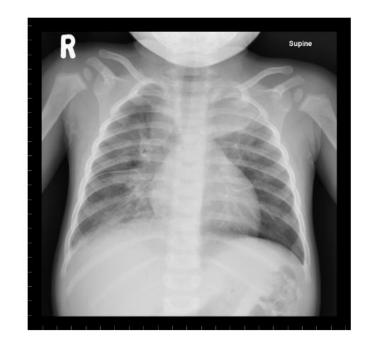
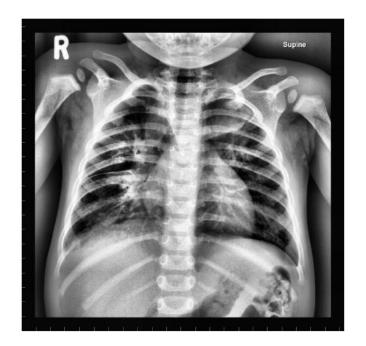


Image enhancement



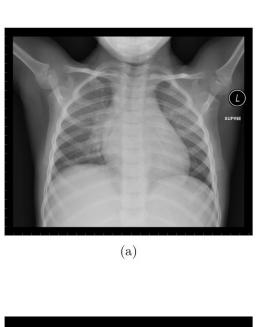


CXR image examples before and after CLAHE have been applied.

Manual annotation

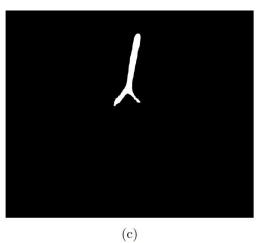


Preprocessing





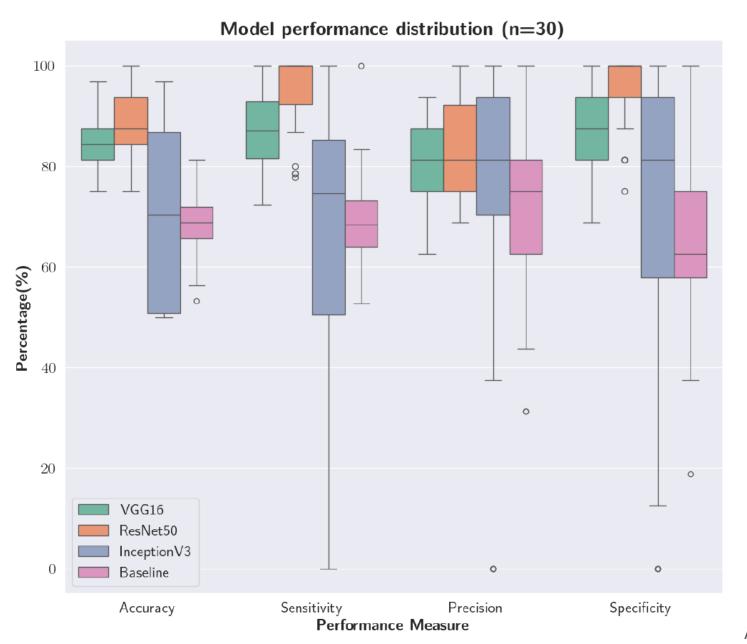






(c) The resulting mask after the Mask R-CNN model was applied. (d) The cropped image of the mask overlayed on the enhanced image.

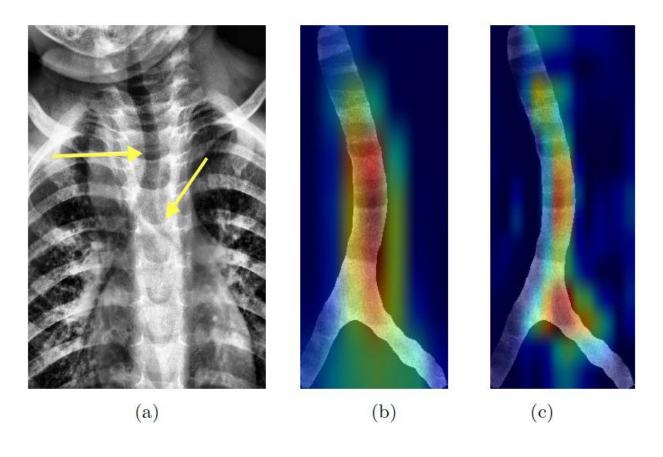
Results



Recall: 94.43%

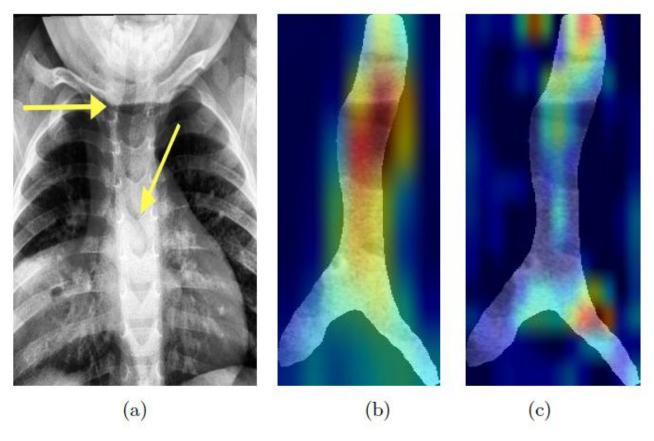
Specificity: 94.79%

Correctly predicted samples



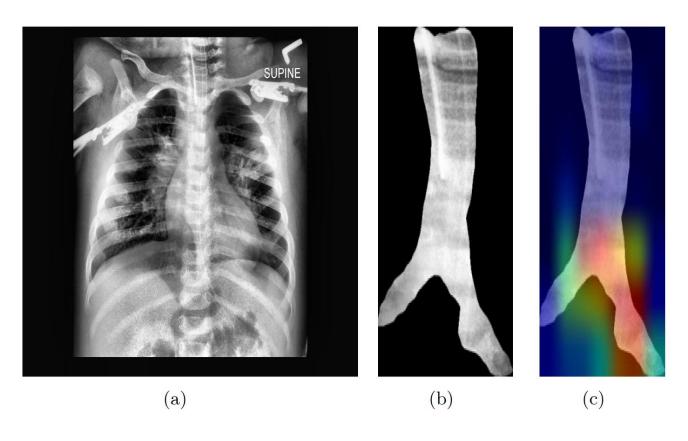
- (a) The enhanced and cropped CXR image where TB is present.
- (b) Grad-CAM heatmap of the custom ResNet50 model.
- (c) Grad-CAM heatmap of the custom VGG16 model.

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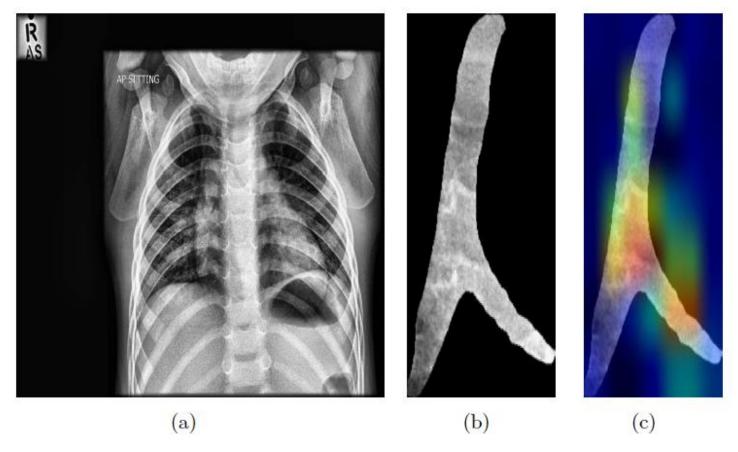
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Normal prediction where TB is present



- (a) Original enhanced CXR image.
- (b) Segmented and enhanced trachea and main bronchi.
- (c) Grad-CAM heatmap of normal prediction activation.

TB predicted where no TB is present



- (a) Original enhanced CXR image.
- (b) Segmented and enhanced trachea and main bronchi.
- (c) Grad-CAM heatmap of TB prediction activation.

