

Evaluation of Deep Learning for Semantic Image Segmentation in Tool Condition Monitoring

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In tool condition monitoring, vision sensors enable enhanced insight into the state of the cutting tool.



Approaches for tool condition monitoring

- Indirect observation:
 - Vibration [1, 2]
 - Acoustics [3, 4]
 - Power [4]
 - Current [1, 5]
 - Torque [6]
- Direct observation
 - Laser scanner [7]
 - Vision [8-13]



Microscope

Relevant types of tool wear

- a) Flank wear
- b) Groove
- c) Build-up-edge [10]

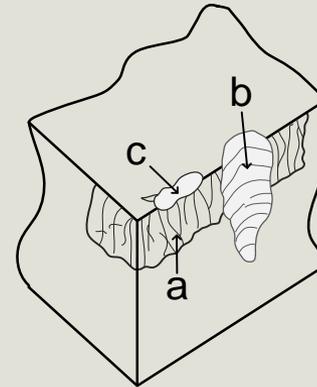
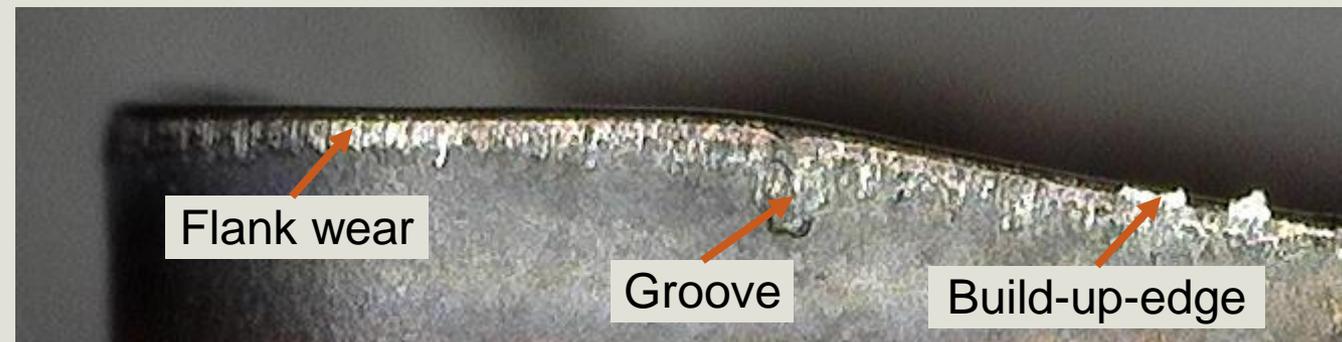


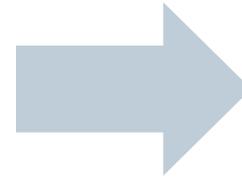
Image of cutting tool insert



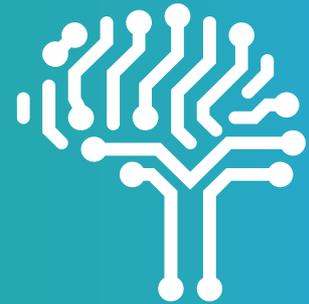
Deep Learning appears to be a promising method for solving the defined goals.

Goals

- Assistance system for machine operator
 - Automated detection of different wear regions
 - Calculation of relevant metrics such as flank wear width or area of groove
- Robustness against different illumination situations
- Adaptability for different types of cutting tool inserts



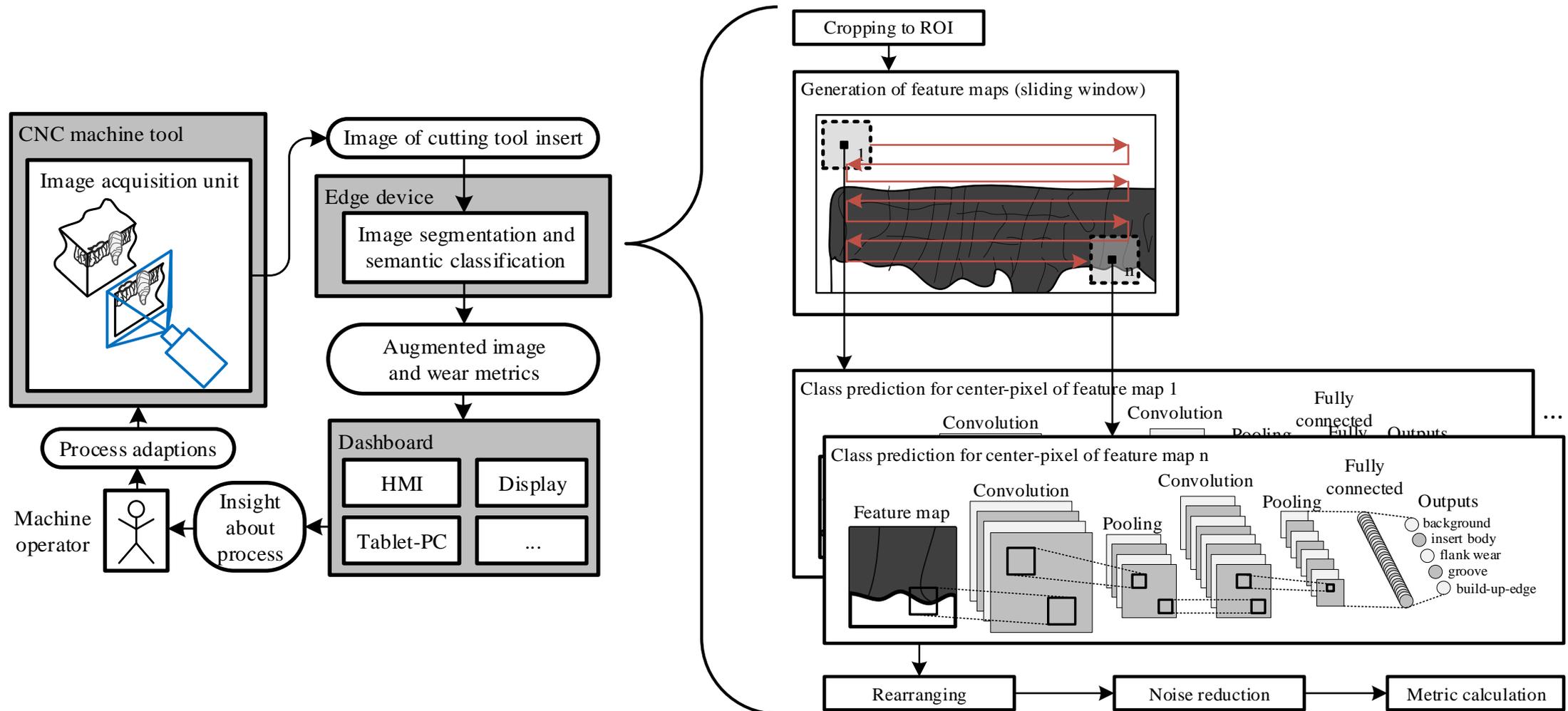
Semantic Image Segmentation using Deep Learning



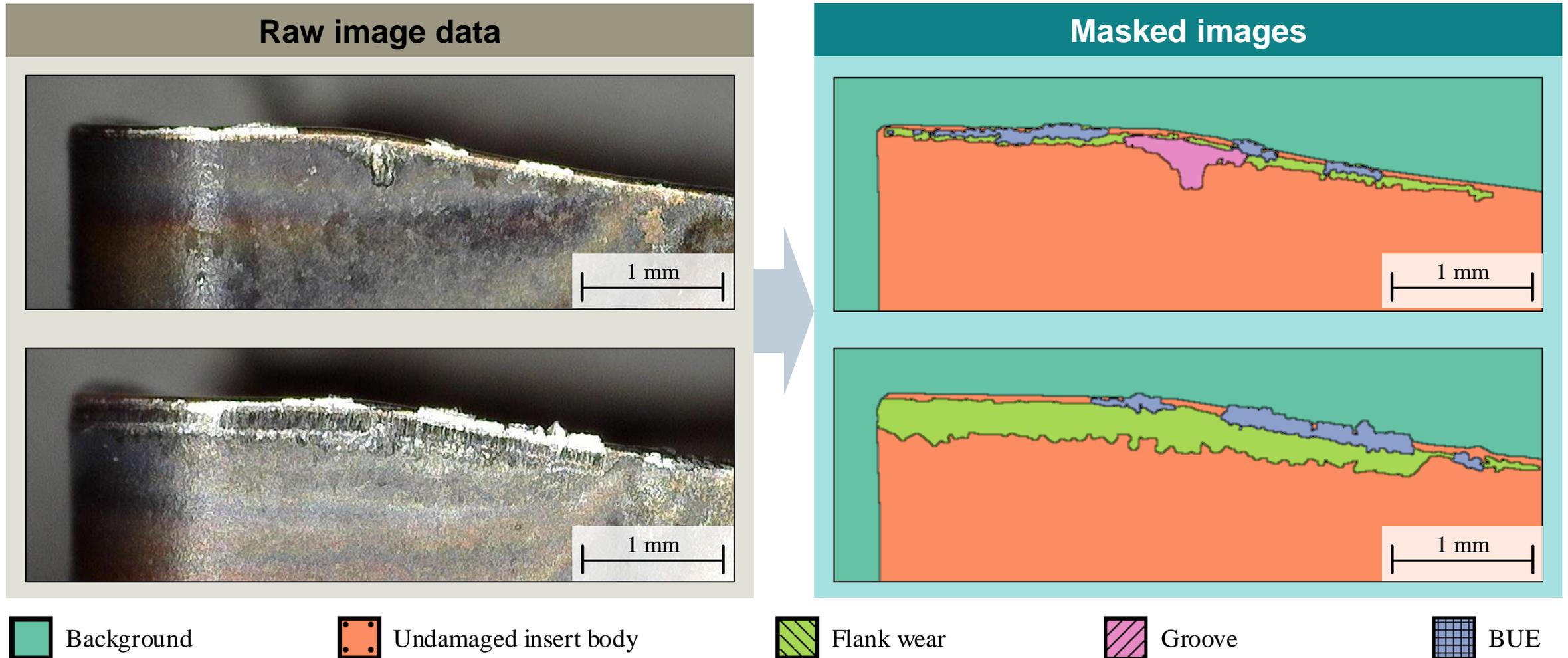
Examples from other fields:

- Robot-assisted surgery [14]
- Tumor detection in ultrasound data [15]
- Analysis of RMI scans [16]
- Detection of human cells [17]

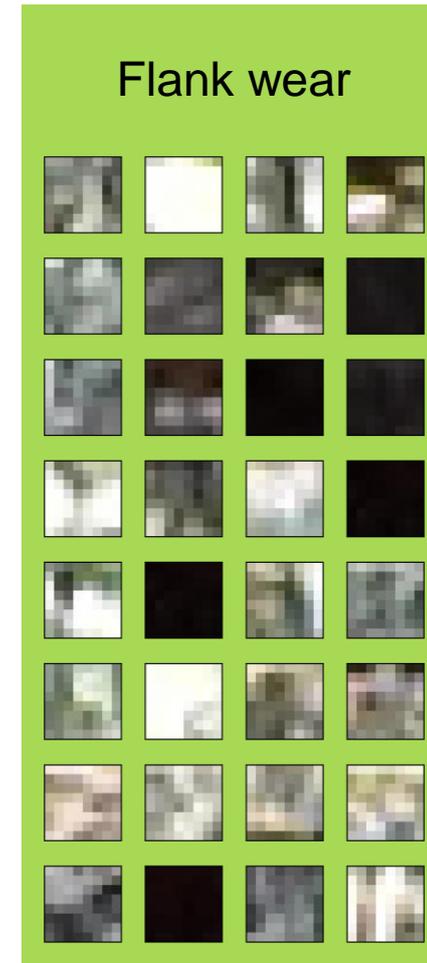
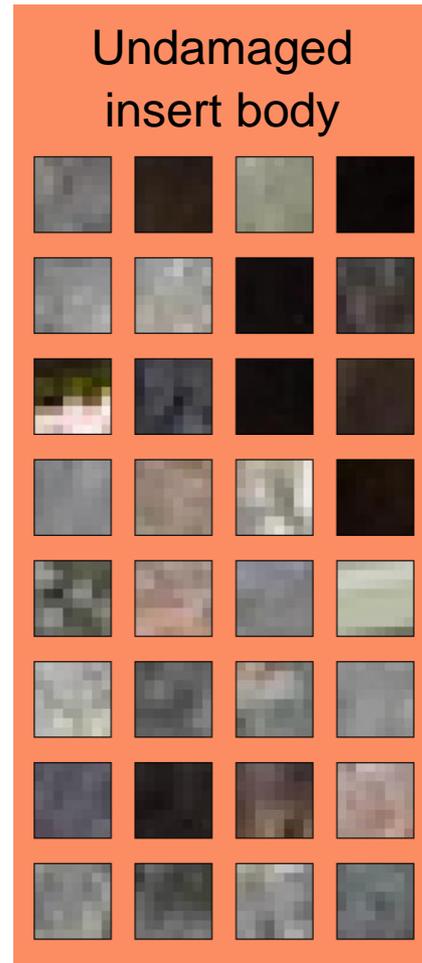
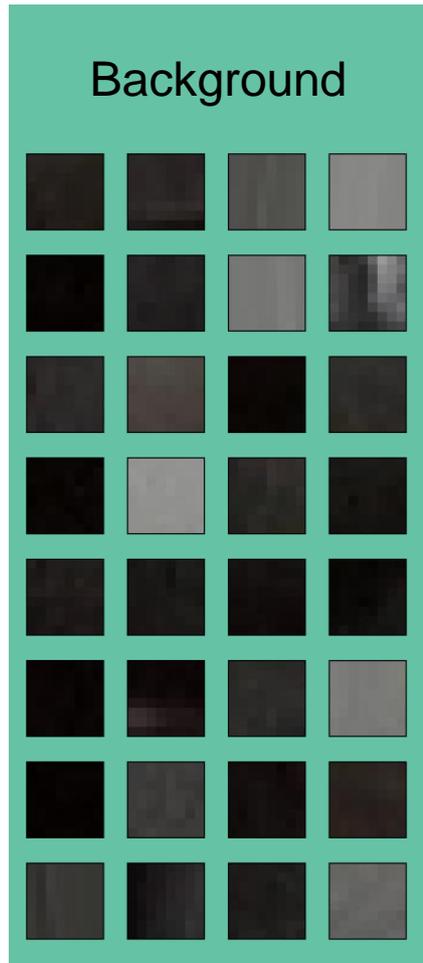
In the presented solution, a sliding window approach using CNNs is used to provide wear information to the worker.



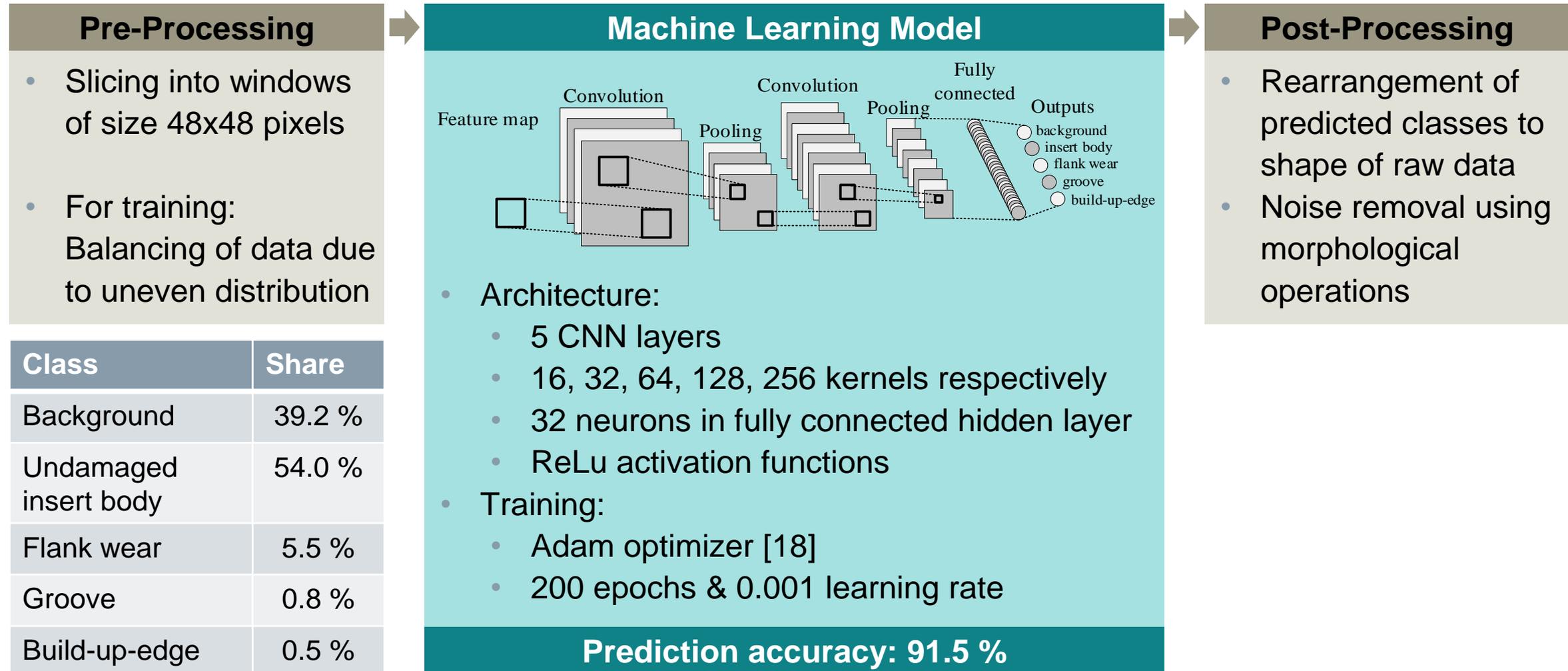
For every raw image a mask is created indicating whether a pixel depicts background, the tool or a type of wear defect.



Some of the classes seem to be easy separable whereas others look similar to the human eye.

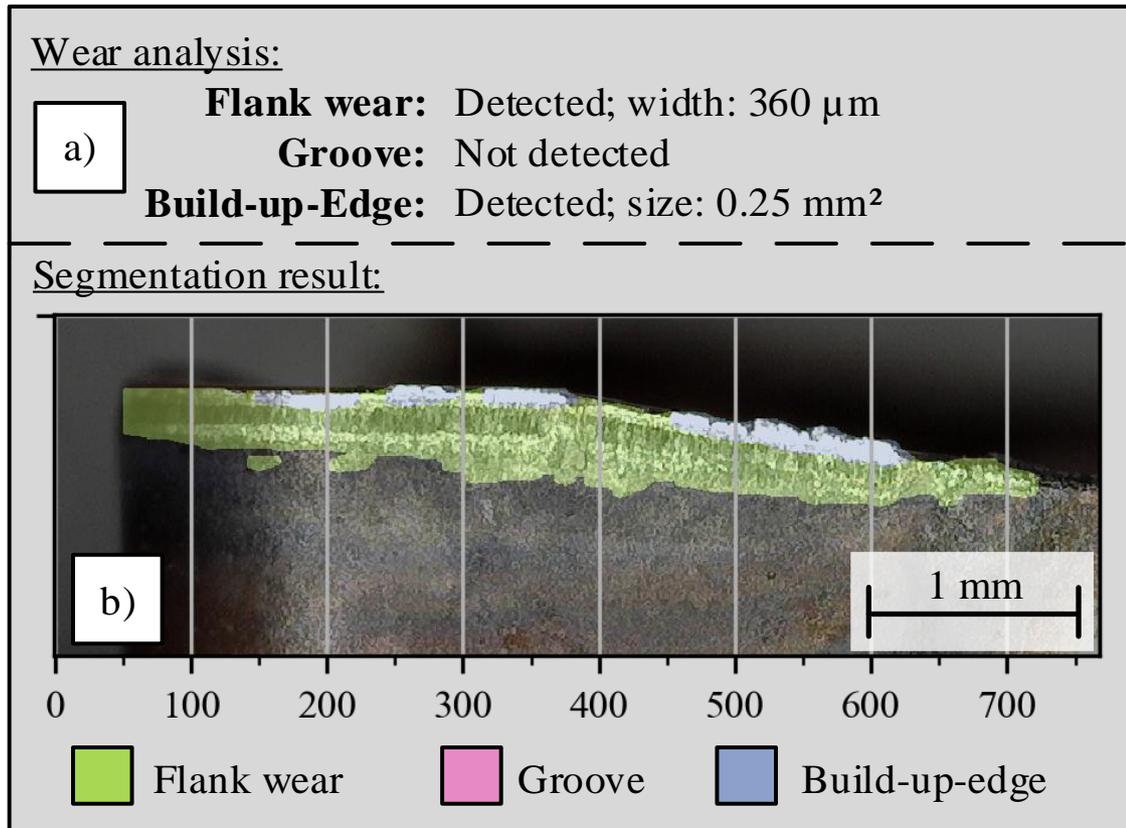


After hyperparameter optimization, the model reaches a prediction accuracy of 91.5 %.



The proposed solution enables additional process insight, automated wear metric calculation and improved accuracy.

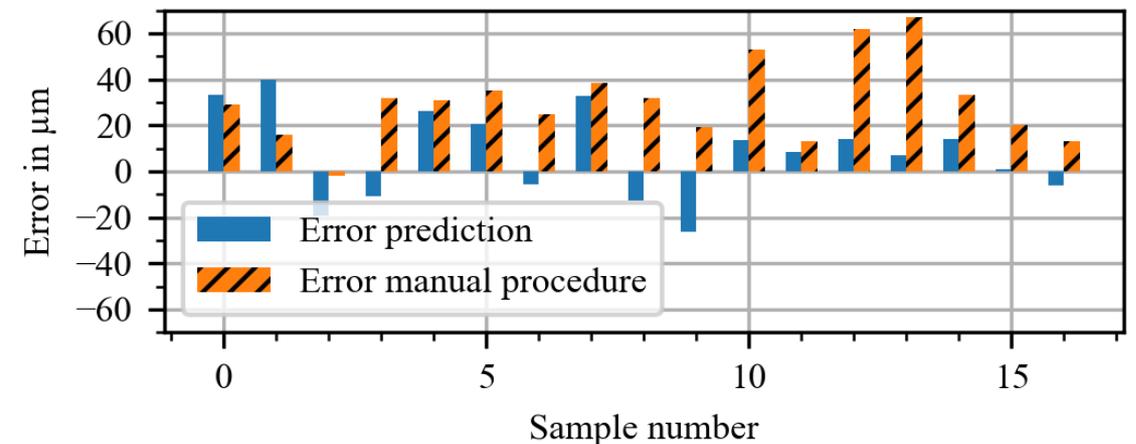
Resulting worker information system:



Flank wear width calculation:

Comparison of proposed solution to manual assessment:

- Average error manual procedure: 30.6 μm
- Average error proposed procedure: 17.1 μm
- For most samples, the proposed solution outperforms the manual assessment



The study showed, that deep learning is a promising tool for image segmentation in tool condition monitoring.

Summary

- Deep Learning through CNN can be used for automated semantic segmentation of images for cutting tools
- It is possible to detect and differentiate defects such as flank wear, grooves and build-up-edges
- The developed algorithm outperforms the manual approach in comfort and accuracy



Future research

- Increase of dataset for accuracy improvement
- Investigation of transfer learning strategies for incorporating new type of cutting tool inserts



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