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Advanced Supermarket Management and Smart Stock Bot System

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Abstract

There are a lot of supermarkets booming in the food retail sector who aim to provide a variety of food products to their customers.

Data can be gathered dynamically and used to analyze the hidden trends of the customer purchase and to upgrade the business processes, thus overall bringing good profit.

Real time services can be beneficial to make spontaneous decisions to efficiently manage and maintain the processes with lesser human involvement.

Thus technology and data can go hand in hand to fulfill all the business goals and stay ahead of competitors.

Implementations

The project is implemented using Azure IoT Edge service, which will host ML models and other processes to take the incoming image streams of data and normalize them.

It then runs ML algorithms to check the shelves. ROS and its algorithms are used for robot locomotion

Methodology

- Robot detects when the items are taken off by the customers beyond a threshold. If so, it moves towards the shelf avoiding obstacles and people along the way to the warehouse
- It stocks up items from the warehouse and moves to the shelves to refill them.
- Data from the billing database and shelf stock monitoring model are taken.
- Various analyses regarding customer purchases and management improvements are made.

Components

- Azure IoT Edge and Azure Cloud
- Robot Operating System (ROS)
- Power BI
- Raspberry Pi 4
- Model B with 2
- GB Ram
- Cytron Driver
- HAT-MDD10
- Raspberry Pi
- Camera NOIR V2
- Planetary Gearing
- motors60mm Double
- Aluminum Omni
- Wheel

Introduction

This project deals with product sale analysis, business-related decisions, stall reloading which is executed by an automatic bot.

This project is designed with a goal of making the existing system more informative, reliable, fast and easier.

The bot deals with the automated refilling of the shelves while the same data can be used for sales analysis.

Conclusion

The two biggest challenges of stock refilling and management of customer churn that have prevailed in the retail supermarket industry are taken into consideration and an automated and reliable solution is designed.

Result

Capabilities of the solution include a robot which helps the workers in their task by refilling the stock shelf.

The robot will be activated by a prompt given to it by the smart camera when it detects that the shelf items need to be refilled.

Data of the customer purchases and shelf status will be used to find out customer purchase trends and areas of market potential.

In this way the stock can also be refilled according to the customer needs and thus management of the goods will become easier.

Customer purchase data will also help us in identifying which type of products are more in demand according to seasonal changes and during different times of year.

Working

Azure IoT Edge Deployment Cognitive Services Vision

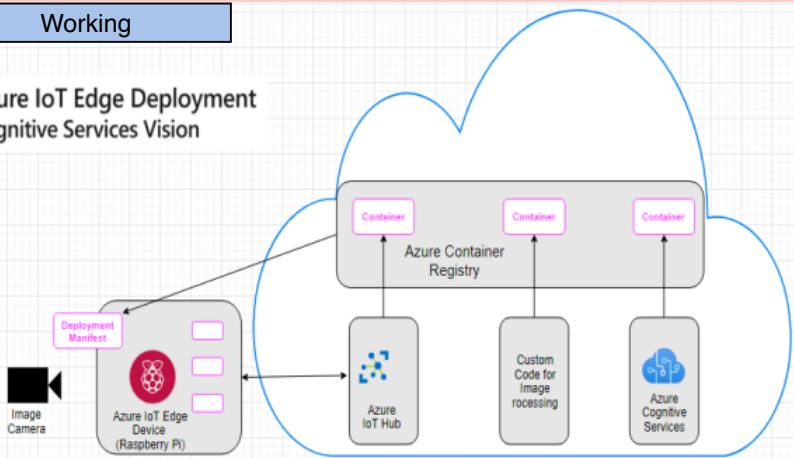


Figure 2: Azure Image Processing Model

Objectives

- Assist the supermarkets in providing a better customer experience.
- Help the supermarkets in analyzing customer purchasing trends.
- Find hidden trends for supermarkets to make strategic business decisions
- Provide solutions to manage the crowd at the store billing counter.
- Use of technology to assist the workers in their routine in the form of a robot.
- Real time monitoring of the stock shelf to alert the workers of quick and timely stock refill.

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