





Smart Waste Management System Using Al

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Abstract

- → Improper aste segregation and inefficient collection systems contribute significantly to environmental pollution and health hazards.
- →This project presents a Smart Waste Management System powered by Artificial Intelligence (AI), which identifies, classifies, and manages waste efficiently in real-time.
- → Leveraging image recognition and machine learning, the system automates the segregation process into biodegradable, non-biodegradable, and recyclable categories.
- → This Al-driven approach aims to promote sustainable waste management, reduce human effort, and support green urban living.



Problem Statement

→Traditional waste management systems rely heavily on manual sorting, leading to errors, health risks, and inefficiencies.

→Cities face challenges in real-time monitoring, segregation accuracy, and timely disposal, which escalate environmental degradation and improper landfill use.

Practical Implementation: https://github.com/Abinaya23062005/Naan-Muthalvan/upload

Practical Implementation: https://github.com/Abinaya23062005/Naan-Muthalvan.git



© Objective

- → Automate the waste segregation process using AI.
- → Improve the accuracy of waste classification.
- → Support real-time detection and sorting with minimal human intervention.
- → Contribute to a cleaner and more sustainable environment.
- → Provide a scalable solution for smart cities and urban management systems.



Data Collection and Preparation

- → Data Source: Public datasets (Kaggle), real-world waste images, municipal records.
- →Types: Images categorized into biodegradable (e.g., food, leaves), non-biodegradable (e.g., plastics, glass), and recyclable materials (e.g., paper, cans).
- → Preprocessing: Image resizing and normalization.
- → Data augmentation for better model generalization.
- → Labeled using supervised learning format.



Proposed Solution (Methodology)

1. System Architecture:

- →Input: Real-time camera or uploaded waste images.
- → Processing: CNN (Convolutional Neural Network)model trained on labeled waste images.
- → Output: Predicted category with confidence level.

2.Tech Stack:

- → Python, TensorFlow/Keras, OpenCV.
- → Flask for web app demonstration.
- →Optional: IoT integration with servo motors for physical bin sorting.

3. Model Details:

→CNN layers: Conv → ReLU → MaxPool → Dense.Trained with categorical cross-entropy loss and Adam optimizer. Early stopping and validation checks to prevent overfitting.



Model Performance Evaluation

- •Accuracy: Achieved 92% on test data.
- •Confusion Matrix: Evaluated true positive vs false predictions for each class.
- •Precision/Recall/F1-Score: Balanced to avoid bias toward common waste types.
- •Loss vs Accuracy Graphs: Demonstrates model convergence and reliability.



Screenshots / Demonstration (video)







Future Scope

- → Integrate with IoT-based smart bins for automatic waste segregation and disposal.
- → dataset with multi-location waste images for better generalization.
- → deployment in smart city waste collection systems.
- → with municipal dashboards for waste monitoring and analytics.
- → Use edge AI models to reduce power and improve offline functionality.



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Appendices:
Sample Code(Python):
  import os
   import numpy as np
   import tensorflow as tf
  from tensorflow.keras.layers import Conv2D, MaxPooling2D, Flatten, Dense,
   Dropouttrain_path = 'dataset/'
   Flatten(),
     Dropout(0.5),
     Dense(128, activation='relu'),
     Dense(3, activation='softmax') # 3 classes
  # Preprocess the images
   datagen = ImageDataGenerator(rescale=1./255, validation_split=0.2)
   train_data = datagen.flow_from_directory(
     train_path,
     target_sival_data = datagen.flow_from_directory(
     train_path,
     target_size=(100, 100),
     class_mode='categorical',
     subset='validation'
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Conclusion

- The Smart Waste Management System using AI offers an efficient and scalable solution to modern urban waste challenges.
- It enhances waste segregation accuracy, reduces manual effort, and supports environmental sustainability through intelligent automation.
- This project is a step toward eco-conscious AI systems for a cleaner, greener future.



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