

Visual Al-enabled Ergonomic Risk Assessment for Worker Safety and Health

at Industrial Workplaces

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Our Previous Research: Visual AI for Construction Digitalisation





We can understand what are actually happening at industrial workplaces

Workers' Unsafe Behaviour Monitoring

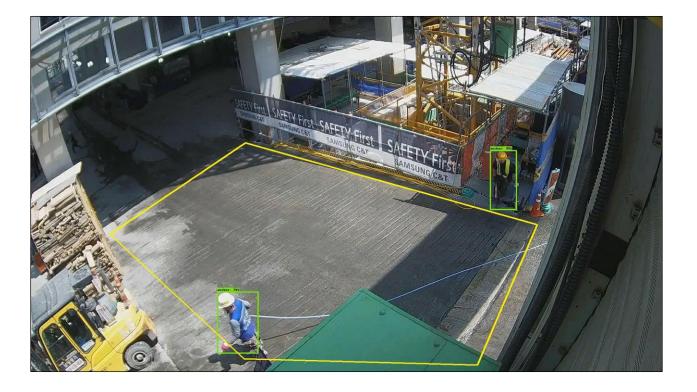
PPE-wearing Detection

(e.g., helmet, vest, etc.)

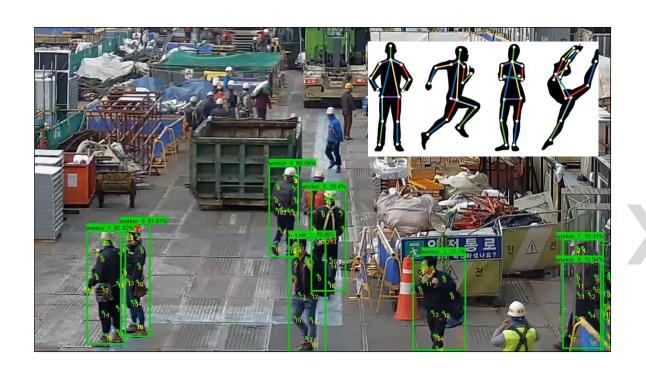


Unsafe Behaviour Monitoring

Access to
Dangerous Zones
Detection
(e.g., struck-by)



Pose Estimation & Ergonomic Assessment



Pose-informed Ergonomic Assessment

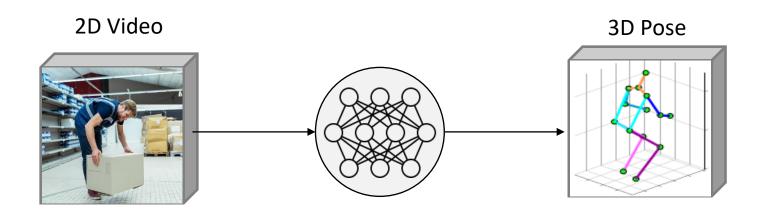
(e.g., REBA, RULA, OWAS, etc.)



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Objective 1:

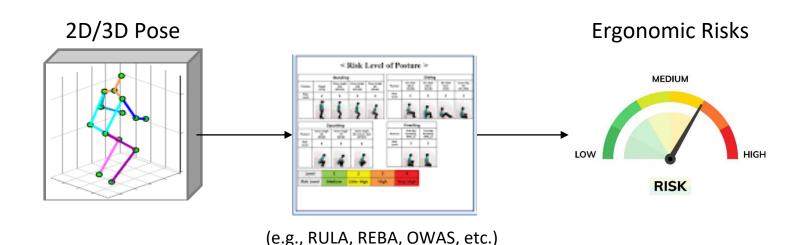
To develop a visual AI that captures human poses from 2D digital images



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Objective 2:

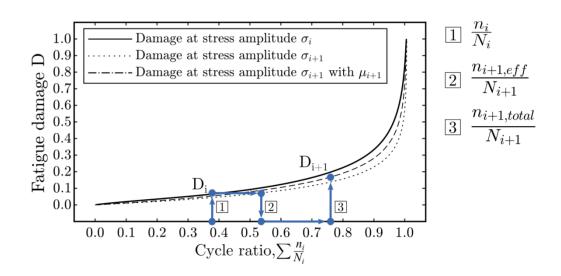
To develop an algorithm that assesses ergonomic risks using the captured human poses



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Objective 3: (if possible)

To apply a fatigue failure theory for a more accurate assessment



Discussion

3D human pose estimation algorithms

- Study state-of-the-art human pose estimation algorithms
- Article 1, Article 2
- Download GitHub and run it in your computer environment (if you want, you can develop from scratch)
- If possible, we can further improve an algorithm (e.g., physical constraints)

Discussion

Theoretical background

- Ergonomic risk assessment tools: REBA, RULA, OWAS, etc.
- Fatigue failure theory (in the context of ergonomic risk assessment)

Weekly or bi-weekly meeting

- Development or theoretical background?
- In-person or online? (Let's have a lunch together soon[©])