

Clairvoyance: Vision-Impaired Friendly Assistive Mobile Device

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Abstract

Our design is a wearable device that assists the visually impaired to move. Our goal is to enable visually impaired people to travel alone after wearing our designs, helping them reduce the risks they may face when walking out alone. After several iterations of design ideas, our final design mainly relies on two webcams, Jetson TX2 Development board, and six vibrators. These components are installed on a sports vest and a belt. We decided to use visual systems and GPS to predict the trajectory of people and objects, and help users identify the direction of obstacles and achieve the purpose of obstacle avoidance through vibrators at different positions.

Index Terms

Vision-Impaired, Avoid Obstacles, Motion Trajectory Prediction, Obstacle Contour Recognition

I. INTRODUCTION

A. General Background

In an effort to address the mobility challenges of the 253 million people globally affected by visual impairment, our team is developing an innovative product aimed at enhancing the independence and quality of life for this demographic. Our solution stands out in the current market by offering a user-friendly and multi-functional navigation aid that prioritizes safety, ease of use, and efficient route planning, fostering greater confidence and reducing accident risks for visually impaired individuals. This endeavor represents a step towards a future where visual impairment does not significantly limit personal autonomy [1].

B. Problem Statement

Urban road planning is becoming increasingly complex with the rapid development of science and technology in today's world. At the same time, the types of transportation have become very diverse. Under the new urban road planning, more and more intersections and traffic lights appeared. Although this contributes to the development of urban transportation, it has caused significant obstacles to the travel of vision-impaired people. The constantly updated roads make it difficult for vision-impaired people to plan travel routes. Faster modern vehicles, crossroads and roadside obstacles threaten the safety of vision-impaired people while walking independently. Because of the above situation, we have analyzed several problems that the manufactured products must solve [2]. To help visually impaired people reduce the safety hazards of travel independently, the most important problem is how to give early warning and help vision-impaired people avoid obstacles. While walking without any aids, it is impossible for a vision-impaired person to see the approaching obstacle like a normal person and take action in advance to change the direction of travel and even avoid it. When we are designing a product, we must not only consider whether its function is practical, but also whether the product is beautiful in appearance and whether it is convenient for consumers to use. Through the survey of other similar products on the market, the actual feedback of users' experience is generally that the product lacks convenience. The hands are completely restrained when using the guide cane. At the same time, some other products also restrict users' freedom to varying degrees. In response to the problems above, we decided to make some improvements in the products we are going to design.

C. Design Goals

In order to solve the problem of how to help visually impaired people avoid obstacles as well as moving pedestrians and vehicles before a collision occurs [3]. We need to use several components like camera, GPS and vibrator. Cameras capture and identify people and objects in front of and behind the user. Mainboard analyzes a series of images captured, identifies stationary obstacles and moving objects. Predict and simulate the trajectory path of moving objects and calculate the speed of movement. The user's position is detected by GPS at regular intervals, expressed and recorded by latitude and longitude coordinates. A user's movement trajectory is simulated through several coordinates [4]. Comparing the two simulated paths, in the event of a collision, the motherboard will generate a signal to activate the vibrating device as a warning until the possibility of a collision disappears. We installed a total of six vibrators on our product to provide the possible collision directions as accurately as possible. The success of our project is that the camera can identify objects, GPS can detect position coordinates,

and the program can simulate the predicted trajectory path. When a collision is predicted, a signal is generated and drives the vibration motor in the corresponding position to start vibrating. Also, in order to improve the portability and comfort of the product, we will not use the traditional blind cane design. We designed it as a wearable vest. This design can completely liberate the user's hands and greatly improve portability.

II. DESIGN

A. Discussion of Designing Process

Our initial idea was to use a wearable sports vest. A camera was installed in the center of the front to identify people and objects ahead. Three distance sensors were installed under the camera and on both sides of the vest to measure the distance between obstacles in front of the user and on the left and right sides of the user. Several vibrators were mounted under the vest straps. When the distance sensor detects that the distance between the obstacle and the user is less than a critical value, the vibrator would start to work. The motherboard and battery were mounted on the back. This design can concentrate the entire system on a single vest, but the disadvantages are also obvious. The sensors on both sides are easily blocked by the users' arms. In addition, the vibration sense is not obvious due to the influence of clothes thickness.

Therefore, we considered changing the position of the sensors and vibrators [5]. Our subsequent idea was to design a sliding bracket on the shoulder strap for the sensors which were originally on the sides. Users can also adjust the sensor position according to individual body type differences. We want to place the vibrator as close to the skin as possible. So we decided to separate the vibrating part from the vest and make two vibrating bracelets. The user can figure out the position of the obstacle by sensing the vibration of the left and right wrists. However, after consideration, this design still has some shortcomings. Vibration on the wrist is obviously a burden to the user. Our original intention is to free the hands of users. This idea obviously goes against the original intention. Sensors located on the shoulder are limited by the angle and cannot exert its maximum value and the test results cannot meet our requirements. So, we decided to add an exercise waist belt and move vibrators into the belt. The waist belt is used in conjunction with the vest. Users can figure out the position of obstacles by sensing the vibrating parts on the belt. The number of vibrators in the belt was determined to be six. Six vibrators are evenly distributed to accurately reflect obstacles from different directions [6]. This design greatly enhances the aesthetics of the product, and also improves the user's wearing experience, so that the sense of vibration can be clearly transmitted to the user.

For distance sensors, we finally decided to give up the use of tasteless sensors. Accordingly, we added another camera on the back. Therefore, we need to upgrade the quality of our cameras to increase the visibility of the cameras. We ended up choosing two 1080p webcams for our product.

Regarding the motherboard, at the beginning we decided to install two microprocessors, Raspberry Pi 3, to process the images captured by the two webcams on the front and back. But after the Alpha prototype testing [7], we realized that the Raspberry Pi lacks computing power. Finally, we upgraded our board to an NVIDIA Jetson TX2 development board. We installed it on the back together with a 12V 7AH Lithium Battery as its power source.

B. Final Design

We will use two webcams, Jetson TX2, GPS module power supply and vibration motors. We will place them on a vest and a waist. The product can predict the trajectory of obstacles and users and determine whether there will be an intersection. The vibration motors on the waist will remind users of the direction of the obstacles. The advantage is that it can accurately predict the direction and distance of obstacles, while the disadvantage is that Jetson's limited computing power may lead to insufficient alarm time.

C. Backup Plans

Our backup plan from last semester was about some of the constraints we encountered. One is that we chose a 2D fish-eye camera with no built-in depth of field. During the coding process, the coding amount of the depth of field will be greatly increased, and it is highly uncontrollable. Another is the huge workload of the code. We need to implement three major code function modules: obstacle recognition, trajectory prediction and relative motion position and velocity analysis. Our plan is that if the code effort is too large for a 2D camera, we can opt for a 3D camera, which has its own depth of field and saves a bit of code analysis. In addition, for image distortion, we can write a specific function to solve this problem, convert the distorted image into a normal image and analyze it. These plans were adopted or replaced as we changed cameras and processors. Specifically reflected in technical analysis and Alpha & Beta testing section.

III. ANALYSIS

In the analysis stage, we made a detailed analysis of the prototype and software requirements of the whole product, as shown in the Table I below:

METRIC	UNITS	VALUES
Total mass	kg	< 7
Vibration motor speed	rpm	6000
Vibration motor voltage supply	V	5
Battery voltage	V	12
Duration of battery single using	h	10
Camera voltage input	V	4 – 8
Camera detection distance range	m	0.5 – 30
Vertical detection angle range	deg	-45 – 45
Horizontal detection angle range	deg	-60 – 60
Camera detection frequency	FPS	1 – 3
Camera feedback time	s	0.5 – 1.5
Product affordable force	N	< 100
GPS positioning error	m	< 5
Product surface material	–	waterproof & breathable
Sale price	\$	649

TABLE I: Final Parameters Specification

These established parameters determine that our design will use two cameras and six vibrators. The weight of the whole product is just suitable for one person to wear, which will not affect the walking speed or be too light to cause discomfort. The product needs enough space to place the processor and the power supply, so it's best to take the shape of clothes and put the power supply and the processor inside the clothes. We installed a camera on the chest and back respectively, and sewed all the wires in the clothes, which not only ensured the connection between various components, but also ensured that they would not be damaged by external forces [8]. The product needs enough space to place the processor and the power supply, so it's best to take the shape of clothes and put the power supply and the processor inside the clothes. We installed a camera on the chest and back respectively, and sewed all the wires in the clothes, which not only ensured the connection between various components, but also ensured that they would not be damaged by external forces.

For our initial schematic, our software requirements and hardware requirements can be met in Fig. 1. The transmission of signals is very orderly, and the hardware can be well protected, which solves the problem of being damaged by external impact.

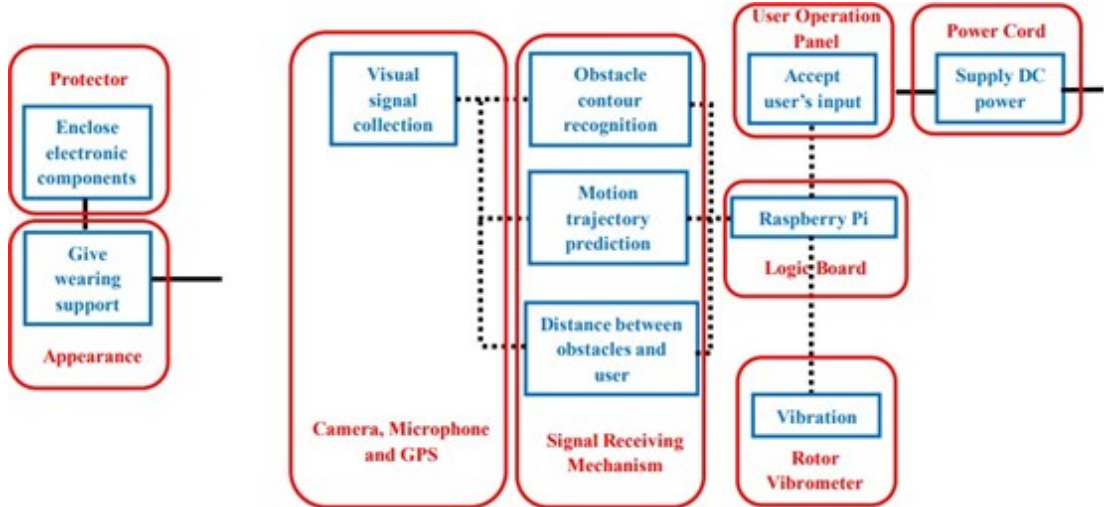


Fig. 1: Schematic of the Product

IV. ALPHA PROTOTYPE

A. Alpha Prototype Construction

In the process of building the Alpha prototype, we mainly focus on the compilation and modification of some basic functions. We use raspberry pi to realize the functions of object recognition and GPS track recording shown in Fig. 2.

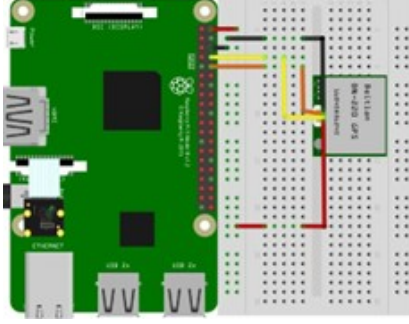


Fig. 2: Alpha Prototype: Camera and GPS Connection

In the object recognition function, we use a database named *tensorflow*, which contains data of about 90 kinds of objects. We imported it and compiled it, and it worked as smoothly as we expected. The system correctly displays the captured images and clearly marks the names and similarities of the recognized objects, but there are still several shortcomings. First, it can't show the relative position between the identified object and the screen picture. Second, the frame rate of the camera capturing pictures will be very low, about 1fps because the data is analyzed in real time. For these two problems, we have made corresponding improvements to the code.

First of all, we read the description of the database and found that there are actually data that can indicate the relative position, that is, the bounding box of the object. After deeply understanding its operation mechanism, we extracted the positions of the four vertices of the bounding box from the array and named them with different variables. The variables of these four vertices include their relative positions to the screen. For this reason, we multiply the relative position by the pixel height and width of the picture to get the relative position and pixel height of the bounding box. After getting the pixel height, we use the rule of triangulation, and multiply the focal length by the actual height divided by the pixel height to get the actual distance between the object and the user.

As for the low frame rate, because of the large database and high hardware requirements, we can only reduce the size of the picture from 1280*720 to 640*480. After improvement, the frame rate has been able to reach 2 FPS. In the GPS track recording part, we connect the GPS chip and raspberry pi as shown in the figure. When the blue light flashes, it means that the circuit is connected correctly and can start working. The chip needs to be in an open place to receive satellite signals. When it receives signals well, the red light will flash.

B. Alpha Prototype Testing

In the alpha test, we mainly complete two tests [9], the first is the accuracy of object recognition, and the second is the feasibility of GPS to record the user's trajectory. All testing time are 300 seconds. First is the accuracy of object recognition, we used the written program to recognize pedestrians on campus, and made a table, which recorded the status of all pedestrians (near and still, far and still, near and moving, far and moving) and the recognition results (Table II and Table III). Fig. 3 is the figure shows how recognition looks like, and through binomial distribution, the recognition accuracy and error values of all different situations were calculated in Fig. 4. The conclusion showed that the actual situation was within the predicted range, and the recognition accuracy was high.

{N: near, F: far, M: moving, S: static}

Pedestrian (Condition)	Detected
Pedestrian 1 (FS)	Yes
Pedestrian 2 (NM)	Yes
Pedestrian 3 (NS)	No
Pedestrian 4 (FM)	Yes
...	...

TABLE II: Pedestrians Recognition Record

General Probability for Pedestrians

Pedestrian (Condition)	Probability
Pedestrian (NM)	73/77 = 0.9481
Pedestrian (NS)	35/39 = 0.8974
Pedestrian (FM)	38/46 = 0.8261
Pedestrian (FS)	18/22 = 0.8182
Total	164/184 = 0.8913

TABLE III: Correct Recognition Probabilities

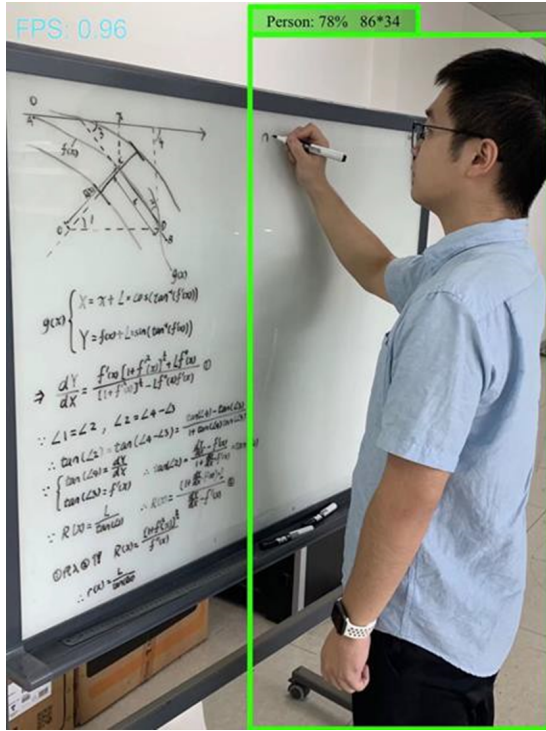


Fig. 3: Human Recognition Rendering

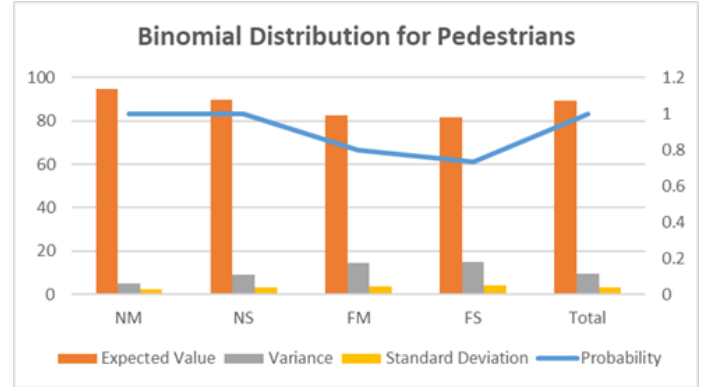


Fig. 4: Binomial Distribution Analysis

For GPS track recording, we use the BN220 GPS chip, and its distance error can be controlled within 2m. There are four pins in the chip, namely GND, TX, RX and VCC from left to right, which are connected to the pins of raspberry pi in sequence. We have written the code to extract the current latitude and longitude of the user every ten seconds and replace the coordinates in the original two matrices and draw the two coordinates in a straight line on the map of the HTML file, as shown in Fig. 5.



Fig. 5: GPS Trajectory Recording

For the whole alpha test, what we can improve is the object recognition function. The result of the low frame rate is that capturing images is slow, but the road conditions are changing rapidly [10]. So we hope to modify the code logic, changing the real-time analysis into storing images first, and then using script analysis in the background, which can greatly reduce the interval time between capturing images and reduce the memory occupation of raspberry pi.

According to all the feedback from the alpha test, our product is feasible at present, because all the data analysis and target functions can be well realized, and the calculation results can be obtained in a small error time.

V. BETA PROTOTYPE

A. Beta Prototype Construction

In the Beta prototype, for the first step, we are going to build the actual electrical circuit of this system. All of the required hardware here includes one GPS module, six vibrating mini motors and two USB cameras. The power for Jetson board is about 19 volts. The approach for connecting a vibrating mini motor is for GPIO control, since the supply voltage is over the maximum value of it, a protecting register is necessary for each branch. In terms of GPS, it is working with serial communication. As it's shown in Fig. 6 below, this is the working circuit of the whole system.

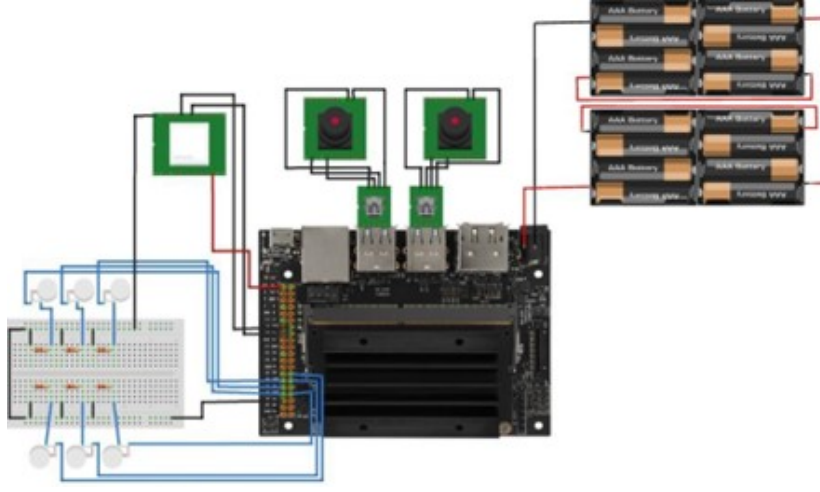


Fig. 6: Electrical Circuit of System

B. Beta Prototype Testing

Here is the part of Beta Testing. We were focusing on getting more tests on the prediction of trajectory and sending out the warning signals from the system to the users. To achieve the prediction of trajectory of objects, we were using a neural network that is based on the mathematical model of probability contribution. The theory of how this neural network works is to estimate the final destination and to record the past specific-duration trajectory, and then to analyze the future prediction. In order to get this neural network working for the test on prediction on trajectory, we need our own dataset. Therefore, initially, we took a video of objects on the road for processing through the test. Next, the dataset for neural network is accumulated with RGB pixel values of a bunch of images. There are built-in functions from Open CV library to convert a video to a set of RGB values. About this dataset, it is created with 30 frames of a video, and each frame is with a resolution of 640*480 pixels. Finally, we should get a set of data as shown in the Table IV below.

75	43	44
94	60	61
78	42	44
80	39	43
102	60	64
96	51	56

TABLE IV: Example of RGB Pixel Values

Average ADE	17.378018939916593
Average FDE	35.377105045798520

TABLE V: ADE & FDE for Prediction of Trajectory

Once we get the dataset, then we can import it into a neural network and do training for prediction of trajectory. In order to acquire a good performance of the result of the neural network, we set up the number of epochs as 650, which means how many cycles the neural network did for training. After completing the process of training, we get two values of error for prediction of trajectory, Average Displacement Error (ADE) and Final Displacement Error (FDE), which stands for the percentage of error with respect to the actual position. These two values are listed in Table V above.

In addition, we also acquired the data of prediction of trajectory, we need to plot it as well as plotting trajectory of the User from GPS. However, the result of data from a neural network is a 3D tuple, but data from GPS is a 2D array. In order to be able to plot both two on the same graph, we have to convert the 3D tuple to a 2*2 array as the first step. Then, we assume that x-axis is latitude and y-axis is longitude. We get the plot as shown in Fig. 7.

By then getting the information if two trajectories are intersected or not, which is the key command to activate the vibrating motor to send out the warning signal. However, specifically which vibrating motor will be activated? In other words, what is the direction of objects coming from? This is controlled by the information from the bounding box in the part of object recognition. Bounding box tells us what the vectors of positions are in terms of upper- left point and low-right point. With both two vectors of positions and revolution of image, we can decide where the object is coming from. The conditions of control are shown as Fig. 8 below.

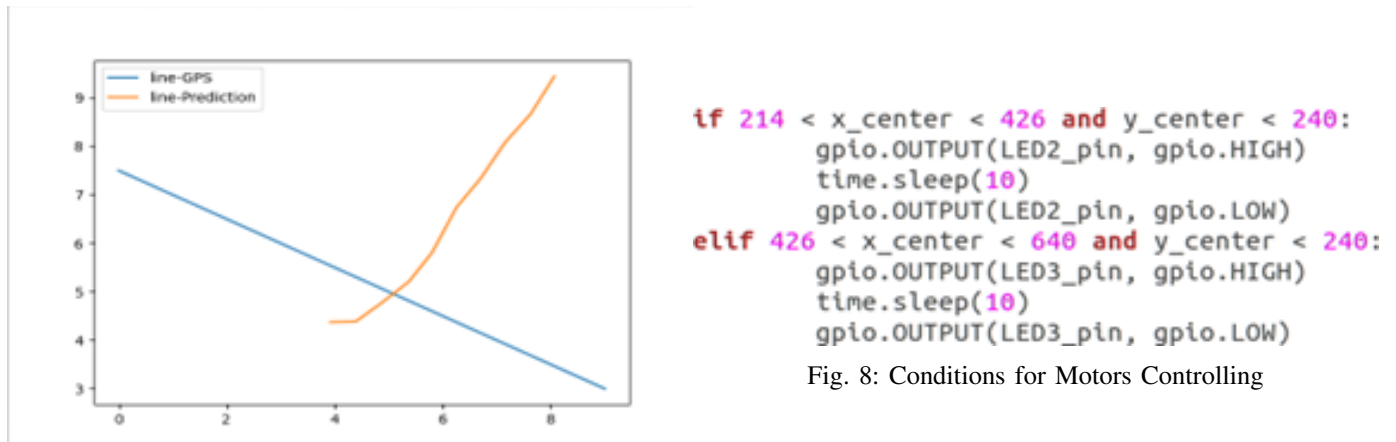


Fig. 7: Plot of User's & Object's Trajectory

VI. FINAL PRODUCT DESIGN

After several iterations of design ideas, our final design is shown in Fig. 9 and Fig. 10 below. The materials we used for our final design were an Nvidia Jetson TX2 development board, two 1080p webcams, a GPS component, a bulletproof vest, a sports belt, a 12V 7AH Lithium Battery, and six vibrator motors.

Two webcams are mounted on the front and rear center of the vest. The NVIDIA Jetson TX2 development board and battery are mounted below the webcam on the back. Six vibration motors are mounted evenly on the belt. All the cables go through the inter layers of the vest fabric and are reinforced through sewing. The positive and negative wires of six vibration motors are assembled and connected to the Jetson TX2 board. The webcam captures people and objects within its visual range and passes a series of image data to the Nvidia Jetson TX2 development board. Jetson then analyzes the series of images, simulates the motion trajectories of front and rear pedestrians and objects, and calculates their speed.

GPS detects the user's position and outputs it in the form of latitude and longitude coordinates. Jetson simulates the user's movement trajectory and speed through the series of coordinates. Jetson plots several simulated trajectory paths on a single plot. Once it finds that the user's trajectory intersects with the trajectory of other objects, Jetson will send a signal to drive the vibration motor at the corresponding position to start working as a warning. Six vibrators are attached to an independent belt, providing vibration feedback in six directions.

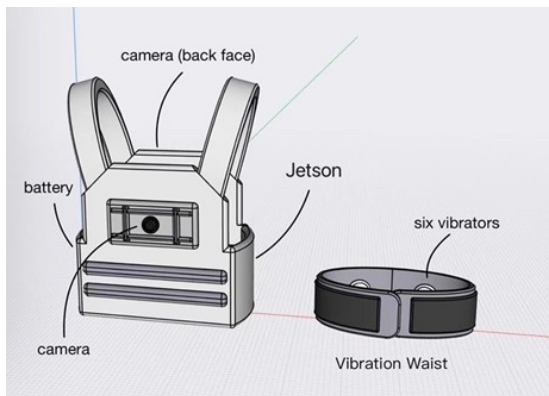


Fig. 9: Final Design Prototype



Fig. 10: Final Product

VII. MISCELLANEOUS

A. Cost Analysis

The estimated manufacturing cost of our final product is almost 888 dollars. The MSRP should be 1099 dollars. We decided to build a long-term relationship with suppliers and plan to produce 5000 products per year, so we materials at a price slightly lower than the market wholesale price. See Table VI for detailed information.

MRSP Analysis (5000 pieces / year)				
1. MATERIAL	Quantity	Cost	Total	
NVIDIA Jetson TX2 development board	5,000.0000	\$200.00	\$1,000,000.00	
Webcam	10,000.0000	\$4.70	\$47,000.00	
256GB SD Card	5,000.0000	\$30.00	\$150,000.00	
Bulletproof vest	5,000.0000	\$25.00	\$125,000.00	
Vibration motor	30,000.0000	\$1.35	\$40,500.00	
12V 7AH Lithium Battery	5,000.0000	\$25.00	\$125,000.00	
Sports waist belts	5,000.0000	\$10.00	\$50,000.00	
Indirect costs (35% of all material)	—	35%	\$538,125.00	
MATERIAL	—	—	\$2,075,625.00	
2. LABOR	Set Up (# of Min)	Run (# of Min)	Cost / Hour	Total
Assembly	5	50,000.00	\$6.00	\$5,000.50
Sewing	10	100,000.00	\$20.00	\$33,336.67
Machining	5	50,000.00	\$10.00	\$8,334.17
Welding	5	150,000.00	\$30.00	\$75,002.50
Labor	—	—	—	\$121,673.83
3. OVERHEAD			100%	\$2,197,298.83
(ON MATERIAL & LABOR COSTS)			Subtotal	\$4,394,597.67
			25% Profit	1.25
4. Price				\$5,493,247.08

TABLE VI: MSRP Analysis

B. Time Line

The actual timeline is a little different between we planed before. We finished the GPS part and realized identifying objects and measuring their size before the spring break. However, we did not finish the trajectory prediction part [11]. There are several reasons. The first problem is that finally we did not use raspberry pi but Jetson TX2, which wastes us a lot of time completing transfer of all data, code and libraries. Meanwhile, due to our unfamiliarity with Jetson TX2, we spent a lot of time learning how to use it. After the spring break, we finally finished the task of trajectory prediction, and the real data were collected for testing. We did not finish the vibration part, but we can plot two lines from GPS and trajectory prediction on one figure and define whether they have the potential to have an intersection. The timeline figure (Fig. 11) is attached below.

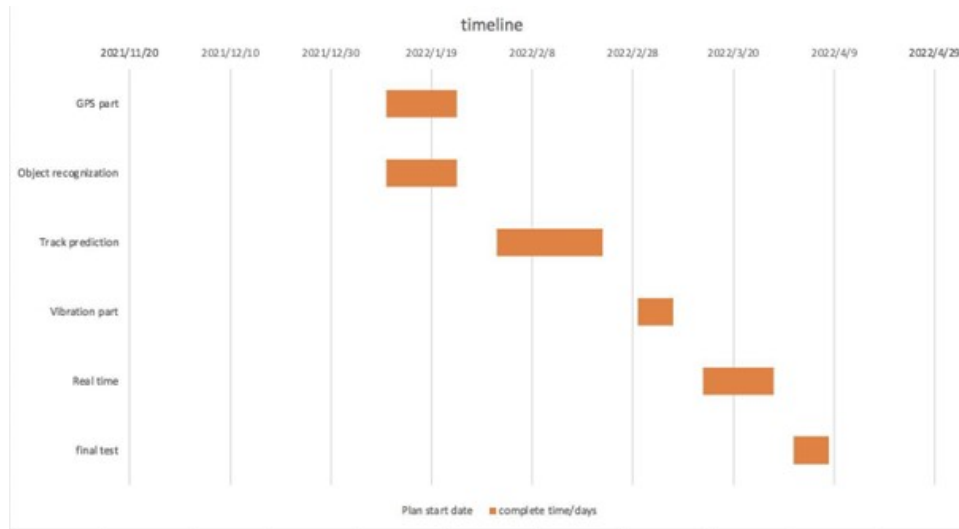


Fig. 11: Last Semester Timeline Gantt Chart

C. Learning Plans and New Knowledge Acquired

We learnt about how to use Jetson TX2 to train some models. Meanwhile we successfully use GPS to get the latitude and longitude coordinates to get the users' trajectory. We also learned how to capture continuous images from the video and export them into pixel values.

D. Codes and Standards

We will strictly abide by professional and business ethical standards and requirements. All actions will be in accordance with the provisions of the law and we will not steal the results of others [12]. The use of other people's technical and theoretical knowledge clearly states its origin. Meanwhile, we strictly comply with product safety standards when making products to ensure the safe use of users.

VIII. NEXT STEPS

Our project still has a lot of potential for improvement and development. Firstly, the functions that our products can do at present are not very comprehensive. There should be many ideas for the function of helping the visually impaired people to travel alone. So we can enrich the functionality of our products, build another assistive system to ensure the safety level. Secondly, our products do not use sensors for distance detection. Our team has also considered whether using lidar or other sensors can achieve better results. A better solution is that we can build a sensor system, provides a double-protection in case that vision not working accurately. Thirdly, our team also gave serious thought to the power supply problem. At present, our products can continue to work for about ten hours on a single charge and we can apply solar technology to extend the working duration. Otherwise, if we have more resources and time, we can overcome some technical problems that we have not solved yet, such as processing video automatically, letting the neural network match the identified object with the number and so on.

IX. CONCLUSIONS

Our team has designed and manufactured a wearable device that can help users avoid obstacles in view of the difficulty of traveling alone for visually impaired people. We decided to use the vision system and GPS to predict the trajectory of the obstacle, and use the vibrator in different positions to help the user identify the direction of the obstacle for the purpose of obstacle avoidance. During the first semester, we clarified the direction of our subject, conducted market research, and understood the objective needs of visually impaired people. We designed and modeled our product and purchased the parts and materials we needed. In the second semester, we have a reasonable division of labor for the functions we want to accomplish. We have carried out research on vision systems, GPS and neural networks respectively. Finally, we carried out a series of data collection and functional tests and completed the construction of the finished product. This project is roughly completed, and it can predict the trajectory of humans and provide warnings via vibrators to users. But at present, our project still has some errors and deficiencies. The direct beneficiaries of our products are all visually impaired people. Relatively speaking, it's able to help vision-impaired people decrease the risk of independently walking on the street.

X. APPENDIX

A. Code used for GPS trajectory recording

```
1 import serial
2 import pynmea2
3 import time
4 import os
5 import folium
6
7 def gps_get():
8     print("Extract Value Start:")
9     previouslat = 0
10    previouslon = 0
11    presentlat = 0
12    presentlon = 0
13    coordinate = 0
14    count = 0
15    ser = serial.Serial("/dev/ttyTHS2", 9600)
16    print("Success! Going into the loop:")
17
18    while True:
19        line = str(ser.readline())[2:]
20        if line.startswith('$GNGLL'):
21            line = line.replace('\r\n', '')
22            count += 1
23            if count == 1 or count % 10 == 0:
24                print("*****")
25                line = line.replace('\r\n', '')
26                rmc = pynmea2.parse(line)
27                print("Position:")
28                print("N:", rmc.latitude, "degree")
29                print("E:", rmc.longitude, "degree")
30                latitude = rmc.latitude
31                longitude = rmc.longitude
32                if coordinate == 0:
33                    startlatitude = rmc.latitude
34                    startlongitude = rmc.longitude
35                    startpoint = [startlatitude, startlongitude]
36                    m = folium.Map(startpoint, zoom_start=100)
37                if coordinate == 1:
38                    previouslat = rmc.latitude
39                    previouslon = rmc.longitude
40                    previouspos = [previouslat, previouslon]
41                if coordinate == 2:
42                    presentlat = rmc.latitude
43                    presentlon = rmc.longitude
44                    presentpos = [presentlat, presentlon]
45                if coordinate >= 3:
46                    previouslat = presentlat
47                    previouslon = presentlon
48                    presentlat = rmc.latitude
49                    presentlon = rmc.longitude
50                    previouspos = [previouslat, previouslon]
51                    presentpos = [presentlat, presentlon]
52                    location = [[previouslat, previouslon], [presentlat, presentlon]]
53                    route = folium.PolyLine(location, weight=5, color='blue',
54                                             opacity=0.8).add_to(m)
55                    m.save(os.path.join('/home/jetson/senior_design/GPS', 'Heatmap1.html'))
56                    coordinate += 1
57                if count < 0:
58                    break
59 if __name__ == "__main__":
60     gps_get()
```

B. Code used for object detection

```
1 import os
2 import cv2
3 import numpy as np
4 from picamera.array import PiRGBArray
5 from picamera import PiCamera
6 import tensorflow as tf
7 import argparse
8 import sys
9 import Jetson.GPIO as gpio
10 import time
11
12 # LED pin configuration
13 gpio.setwarnings(False)
14 gpio.setmode(gpio.BOARD)
15 LED1_pin = 40
16 LED2_pin = 38
17 LED3_pin = 35
18 LED4_pin = 12
19 LED5_pin = 32
20 LED6_pin = 29
21
22 # Setup LED pins as output
23 gpio.setup(LED1_pin, gpio.OUT, initial=gpio.LOW)
24 gpio.setup(LED2_pin, gpio.OUT, initial=gpio.LOW)
25 gpio.setup(LED3_pin, gpio.OUT, initial=gpio.LOW)
26 gpio.setup(LED4_pin, gpio.OUT, initial=gpio.LOW)
27 gpio.setup(LED5_pin, gpio.OUT, initial=gpio.LOW)
28 gpio.setup(LED6_pin, gpio.OUT, initial=gpio.LOW)
29
30 # Camera constants
31 IM_WIDTH = 640
32 IM_HEIGHT = 480
33
34 # Select camera type
35 camera_type = 'picamera'
36 parser = argparse.ArgumentParser()
37 parser.add_argument('--usbcam', help='Use a USB webcam instead of picamera',
38                     action='store_true')
39 args = parser.parse_args()
40 if args.usbcam:
41     camera_type = 'usb'
42
43 # Import utilities
44 from utils import label_map_util
45 from utils import visualization_utils as vis_util
46
47 # Model setup
48 MODEL_NAME = 'ssdlite_mobilenet_v2_coco_2018_05_09'
49 CWD_PATH = os.getcwd()
50 PATH_TO_CKPT = os.path.join(CWD_PATH, MODEL_NAME, 'frozen_inference_graph.pb')
51 PATH_TO_LABELS = os.path.join(CWD_PATH, 'data', 'mscoco_label_map.pbtxt')
52 NUM_CLASSES = 90
53
54 # Load the label map
55 label_map = label_map_util.load_labelmap(PATH_TO_LABELS)
56 categories = label_map_util.convert_label_map_to_categories(label_map,
57                                                             max_num_classes=NUM_CLASSES, use_display_name=True)
58 category_index = label_map_util.create_category_index(categories)
59
60 # Load Tensorflow model into memory
61 detection_graph = tf.Graph()
62 with detection_graph.as_default():
63     od_graph_def = tf.compat.v1.GraphDef()
64     with tf.io.gfile.GFile(PATH_TO_CKPT, 'rb') as fid:
65         serialized_graph = fid.read()
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64         od_graph_def.ParseFromString(serialized_graph)
65         tf.import_graph_def(od_graph_def, name='')
66
67     sess = tf.compat.v1.Session(graph=detection_graph)
68
69     # Input tensor
70     image_tensor = detection_graph.get_tensor_by_name('image_tensor:0')
71     # Output tensors
72     detection_boxes = detection_graph.get_tensor_by_name('detection_boxes:0')
73     detection_scores = detection_graph.get_tensor_by_name('detection_scores:0')
74     detection_classes = detection_graph.get_tensor_by_name('detection_classes:0')
75     num_detections = detection_graph.get_tensor_by_name('num_detections:0')
76
77     # Frame rate calculation
78     frame_rate_calc = 1
79     freq = cv2.getTickFrequency()
80     font = cv2.FONT_HERSHEY_SIMPLEX
81
82     # Initialize camera
83     if camera_type == 'picamera':
84         camera = PiCamera()
85         camera.resolution = (IM_WIDTH, IM_HEIGHT)
86         camera.framerate = 10
87         rawCapture = PiRGBArray(camera, size=(IM_WIDTH, IM_HEIGHT))
88         rawCapture.truncate(0)
89         for frame1 in camera.capture_continuous(rawCapture, format="bgr", use_video_port=True):
90             t1 = cv2.getTickCount()
91             frame = np.copy(frame1.array)
92             frame.setflags(write=1)
93             frame_rgb = cv2.cvtColor(frame, cv2.COLOR_BGR2RGB)
94             frame_expanded = np.expand_dims(frame_rgb, axis=0)
95
96             # Perform detection
97             (boxes, scores, classes, num) = sess.run(
98                 [detection_boxes, detection_scores, detection_classes, num_detections],
99                 feed_dict={image_tensor: frame_expanded})
100
101             # Visualization of the results
102             vis_util.visualize_boxes_and_labels_on_image_array(
103                 frame,
104                 np.squeeze(boxes),
105                 np.squeeze(classes).astype(np.int32),
106                 np.squeeze(scores),
107                 category_index,
108                 use_normalized_coordinates=True,
109                 line_thickness=8,
110                 min_score_thresh=0.40)
111
112             cv2.putText(frame, "FPS: {0:.2f}".format(frame_rate_calc), (30, 50), font, 1, (255,
113                 255, 0), 2, cv2.LINE_AA)
114             cv2.imshow('Object detector', frame)
115             t2 = cv2.getTickCount()
116             time1 = (t2-t1)/freq
117             frame_rate_calc = 1/time1
118
119             if cv2.waitKey(1) == ord('q'):
120                 break
121             rawCapture.truncate(0)
122             camera.close()
123
124     elif camera_type == 'usb':
125         camera = cv2.VideoCapture(0)
126         ret = camera.set(3, IM_WIDTH)
127         ret = camera.set(4, IM_HEIGHT)
128         while True:
129             t1 = cv2.getTickCount()
130             ret, frame = camera.read()

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130     frame_rgb = cv2.cvtColor(frame, cv2.COLOR_BGR2RGB)
131     frame_expanded = np.expand_dims(frame_rgb, axis=0)
132
133     # Perform detection
134     (boxes, scores, classes, num) = sess.run(
135         [detection_boxes, detection_scores, detection_classes, num_detections],
136         feed_dict={image_tensor: frame_expanded})
137
138     # Visualization of the results
139     vis_util.visualize_boxes_and_labels_on_image_array(
140         frame,
141         np.squeeze(boxes),
142         np.squeeze(classes).astype(np.int32),
143         np.squeeze(scores),
144         category_index,
145         use_normalized_coordinates=True,
146         line_thickness=8,
147         min_score_thresh=0.85)
148     cv2.putText(frame, "FPS: {0:.2f}".format(frame_rate_calc), (30, 50), font, 1, (255,
149         255, 0), 2, cv2.LINE_AA)
150     cv2.imshow('Object detector', frame)
151     t2 = cv2.getTickCount()
152     time1 = (t2-t1)/freq
153     frame_rate_calc = 1/time1
154
155     if cv2.waitKey(1) == ord('q'):
156         break
157     camera.release()
158     cv2.destroyAllWindows()

```

C. Code used for trajectory prediction

```
1 import torch
2 import torch.nn as nn
3 import torch.optim as optim
4 import torch.nn.functional as F
5 import sys
6 from torch.utils.data import DataLoader
7 import argparse
8 import copy
9 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
10 import numpy as np
11 from models import *
12 from social_utils import *
13 import yaml
14
15 parser = argparse.ArgumentParser(description='PECNet')
16 parser.add_argument('--num_workers', '-nw', type=int, default=0)
17 parser.add_argument('--gpu_index', '-gi', type=int, default=0)
18 parser.add_argument('--load_file', '-lf', default="PECNET_social_model1.pt")
19 parser.add_argument('--num_trajectories', '-nt', default=3) # number of trajectories to sample
20 parser.add_argument('--verbose', '-v', action='store_true')
21 parser.add_argument('--root_path', '-rp', default=".")
22 args = parser.parse_args()
23
24 dtype = torch.float64
25 torch.set_default_dtype(dtype)
26 device = torch.device('cuda', index=args.gpu_index) if torch.cuda.is_available() else
    torch.device('cpu')
27
28 if torch.cuda.is_available():
29     torch.cuda.set_device(args.gpu_index)
30
31 checkpoint = torch.load('../saved_models/{}'.format(args.load_file), map_location=device)
32 hyper_params = checkpoint["hyper_params"]
33
34 def test(test_dataset, model, best_of_n=1):
35     model.eval()
36     assert best_of_n >= 1 and type(best_of_n) == int
37     test_loss = 0
38
39     with torch.no_grad():
40         for i, (traj, mask, initial_pos) in enumerate(zip(test_dataset.trajectory_batches,
41 test_dataset.mask_batches, test_dataset.initial_pos_batches)):
42             traj, mask, initial_pos = torch.DoubleTensor(traj).to(device),
43                 torch.DoubleTensor(mask).to(device), torch.DoubleTensor(initial_pos).to(device)
44             x = traj[:, :hyper_params["past_length"], :]
45             y = traj[:, hyper_params["past_length"], :]
46
47             y = y.cpu().numpy() # reshape the data
48             x = x.contiguous().view(-1, x.shape[1]*x.shape[2])
49             x = x.to(device)
50
51             future = y[:, :-1, :]
52             dest = y[:, -1, :]
53             all_l2_errors_dest = []
54             all_guesses = []
55             for index in range(best_of_n):
56                 dest_recon = model.forward(x, initial_pos, device=device)
57                 dest_recon = dest_recon.cpu().numpy()
58                 all_guesses.append(dest_recon)
59                 l2error_sample = np.linalg.norm(dest_recon - dest, axis=1)
60                 all_l2_errors_dest.append(l2error_sample)
61             all_l2_errors_dest = np.array(all_l2_errors_dest)
62             all_guesses = np.array(all_guesses)
63             # average error
64             l2error_avg_dest = np.mean(all_l2_errors_dest)
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63
64     # choosing the best guess
65     indices = np.argmin(all_l2_errors_dest, axis=0)
66     best_guess_dest = all_guesses[indices, np.arange(x.shape[0]), :]
67
68     # taking the minimum error out of all guess
69     l2error_dest = np.mean(np.min(all_l2_errors_dest, axis=0))
70
71     # back to torch land
72     best_guess_dest = torch.DoubleTensor(best_guess_dest).to(device)
73
74     # using the best guess for interpolation
75     interpolated_future = model.predict(x, best_guess_dest, mask, initial_pos)
76     interpolated_future = interpolated_future.cpu().numpy()
77     best_guess_dest = best_guess_dest.cpu().numpy()
78
79     # final overall prediction
80     predicted_future = np.concatenate((interpolated_future, best_guess_dest), axis=1)
81     predicted_future = np.reshape(predicted_future, (-1,
82         hyper_params["future_length"], 2))
83
84     # ADE error
85     l2error_overall = np.mean(np.linalg.norm(y - predicted_future, axis=2))
86     l2error_overall /= hyper_params["data_scale"]
87     l2error_dest /= hyper_params["data_scale"]
88     l2error_avg_dest /= hyper_params["data_scale"]
89
90     return l2error_overall, l2error_dest, l2error_avg_dest, predicted_future
91
92 N = args.num_trajectories # number of generated trajectories
93 model = PECNet(hyper_params["enc_past_size"], hyper_params["enc_dest_size"],
94     hyper_params["enc_latent_size"], hyper_params["dec_size"],
95     hyper_params["predictor_hidden_size"], hyper_params['non_local_theta_size'],
96     hyper_params['non_local_phi_size'], hyper_params['non_local_g_size'],
97     hyper_params["fdim"], hyper_params["zdim"], hyper_params["nonlocal_pools"],
98     hyper_params['non_local_dim'], hyper_params["sigma"], hyper_params["past_length"],
99     hyper_params["future_length"], args.verbose)
100 model = model.double().to(device)
101 model.load_state_dict(checkpoint["model_state_dict"])
102
103 test_dataset = SocialDataset(set_name="test", b_size=hyper_params["test_b_size"],
104     t_tresh=hyper_params["time_tresh"], d_tresh=hyper_params["dist_tresh"],
105     verbose=args.verbose)
106 for traj in test_dataset.trajectory_batches:
107     traj -= traj[:, :1, :]
108     traj *= hyper_params["data_scale"]
109
110 # Average ADE/FDE for k=20 (to account for variance in sampling)
111 num_samples = 10 # 150
112 average_ade, average_fde = 0, 0
113 for i in range(num_samples):
114     test_loss, final_point_loss_best, final_point_loss_avg, prediction_valueset =
115         test(test_dataset, model, best_of_n=N)
116     average_ade += test_loss
117     average_fde += final_point_loss_best
118
119 print("Average ADE:", average_ade/num_samples)
120 print("Average FDE:", average_fde/num_samples)

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