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Documentation for the project

# **Closed-Circuit TeleVision system**

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The aim of the project is to design a simple CCTV system with motion, face detection.

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## 1. Introduction to the project

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### ❖ Project objectives

The goal of this project is to develop a scalable CCTV system that provides:

- Real-time video surveillance
- Motion detection and automated recording
- Local storage for captured footage

### ❖ Brief description of the System's functionality

The system uses two cameras connected to a laptop for live monitoring and motion detection. When motion is detected, recording is triggered and saved locally. The user can view combined camera feeds and manage recordings through a basic GUI.

## 2. Project repository

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### ❖ Project structure

The repository is organized as follows:

- **src/**: Contains the source code for the CCTV system, including system detection and video recording logic
- **docs/**: Holds documentation files such as system design, user guides, and technical specifications
- **README.md**: Provides an overview of the project, setup instructions, and usage guidelines

<https://github.com/Darned99/CCTV-System-Design-Lab-PY>

## 3. Project assumptions

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### ❖ Key system requirements

- **Cameras**: Two cameras with 720p resolution for live monitoring and recording.
- **Processing Unit**: A laptop capable of real-time processing.
- **Power Supply**: Reliable power source for uninterrupted operation
- **Storage**: At least 10 GB of available space for saving recorded videos in MP4 format

### ❖ Development environment description

- **Programming language**: Python 3.8 or later
- **IDE**: Visual Studio Code with Python extensions or PyCharm
- **Platform**: Windows system for compatibility with OpenCV library.

### ❖ Technologies and libraries used

- **OpenCV**: for video capture, motion detection and image processing
- **Haar Cascade Classifiers**: For detecting faces and bodies in the video feed
- **Datetime and OS Modules**: For timestamping recordings and managing storage
- **VideoWriter**: For saving video recordings in MP4 format

## 4. System Block Diagram

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### System Components and Their Functions:

#### ❖ Camera Module (IP Camera):

- Captures real-time video footage.
- Compatible with USB webcams or IP cameras using RTSP streams.
- Each camera is initialized with an ID or RTSP URL.

#### ❖ Processing Unit (Workstation):

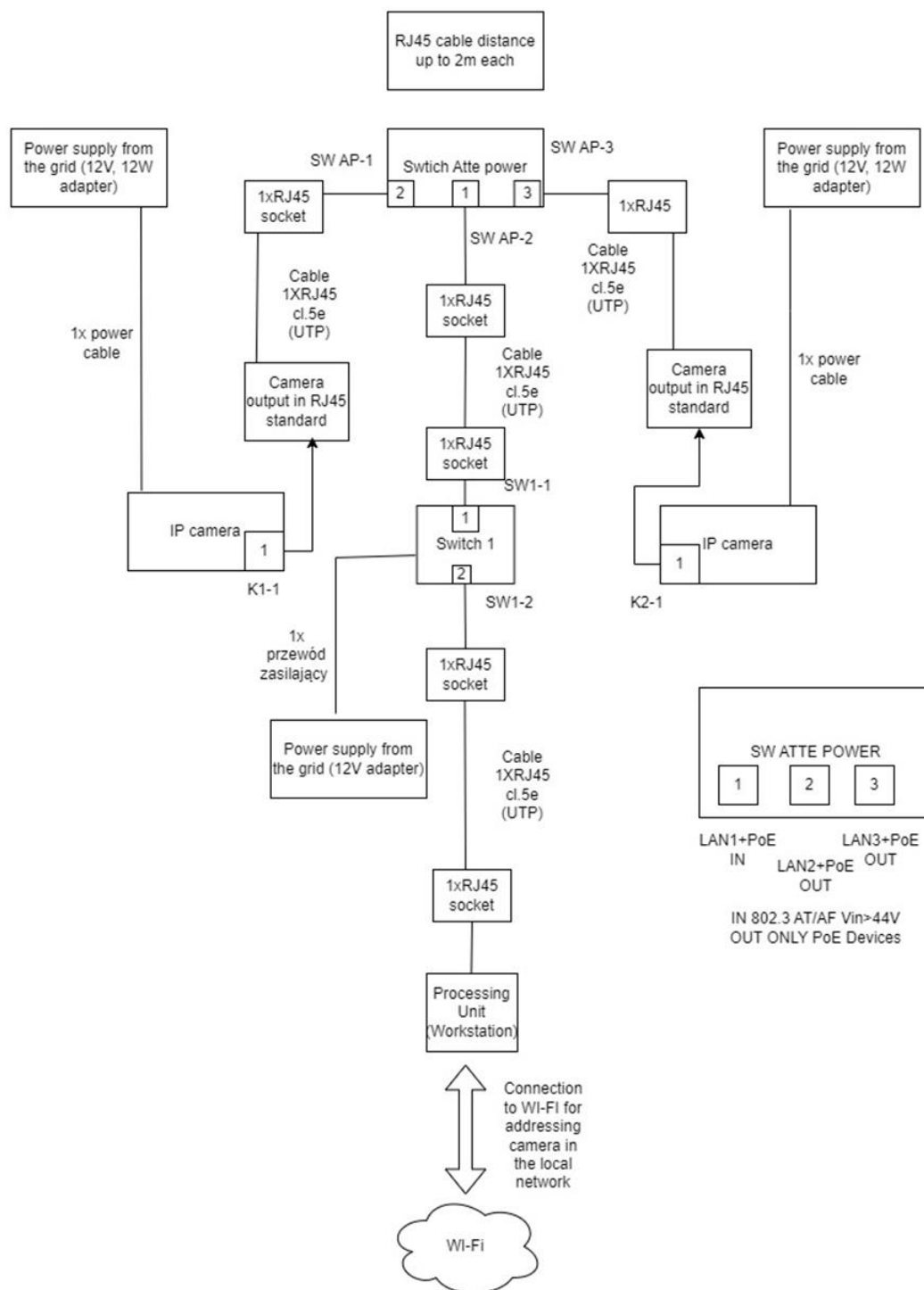
- Analyzes video frames from both cameras using pre-trained Haar cascades for face and body detection.
- Operates in two modes:
  - Motion detection mode: triggers recording when motion is detected
  - Continuous recording mode: Records video continuously
- Handles frame resizing and merging for GUI display

#### ❖ Storage Module:

- Saves all recordings in a local folder name Videos
- File naming format: camera\_id\_date\_hour.mp4

#### ❖ GUI Application (User Interface):

- Displays live video feeds from all connected cameras in 2x2 grid
- Allows mode switching using keyboard inputs
  - 1 for motion detection mode
  - 2 for continuous recording mode
  - q exit the program



## 5. Data flow

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- ❖ Each camera captures video frames and sends them to the processing unit.
- ❖ Frames are converted to grayscale for motion analysis. Haar Cascade classifiers detect faces and bodies.
- ❖ If motion is detected in **Mode 1**, recording is triggered and continues for a predefined duration after motion stops.
- ❖ In **Mode 2**, the system records continuously without motion detection.
- ❖ All video streams are displayed in separate OpenCV windows for live monitoring.
- ❖ The program can be terminated manually by pressing the q key, which releases all resources.

## 6. Technical specification of components

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### Hardware

#### ❖ Cameras:

- USB webcams or IP cameras (RTSP supported).
- Example RTSP URL:  
<rtsp://username:password@192.168.1.67:554/Streaming/Channels/2>.

### Software

#### ❖ Motion Detection Algorithm:

- Haar Cascade Classifiers:
  - haarcascade\_frontalface\_default.xml (for face detection).
  - haarcascade\_fullbody.xml (for body detection).
- Resolution: Frames processed with at least 480p resolution, 720p recommended

#### ❖ File Management:

- Videos saved in MP4 format using OpenCV's VideoWriter.
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## 7. System Implementation

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### Core Modules and Their Roles

#### ❖ CameraMonitor Class (cctv\_project.py):

- Manages cameras, motion detection, and recording.
- Supports two modes:
  - **Motion Detection Mode:** Detects faces and bodies using Haar Cascade and triggers recording.
  - **Continuous Recording Mode:** Records video streams without analysis.
- Saves recordings in the Videos folder with timestamps.

#### ❖ Main Script (run\_cameras.py):

- Initializes cameras (local or RTSP) and manages their operation.
- Enables dynamic switching between modes via keyboard inputs (1, 2).
- Displays live camera feeds in OpenCV windows.

## 8. User Guide

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### How to run the system

#### ❖ Installation requirements

- Ensure Python 3.8 or later is installed
- Install required dependencies using:
  - **pip install opencv-python**
  - **pip install numpy**
- Connect cameras (USB or IP) and ensure they are operational

#### ❖ Running:

- Navigate to the project folder and execute:
  - **python src/run\_cameras.py**
- Enter the number of cameras and provide their indentifiers (0, 1 for USB or for example RSTP URL for IP cameras)

#### ❖ Instruction for Using GUI application:

- The system displays a grid view for all camera feeds.
- Use the following keyboard commands:
  - 1 – enable motion detection mode, it is a basic mode
  - 2 – enable continuous recording mode
  - q – exit the application and release resources
- Recorded videos are stored in the Videos/ directory, after 7 days they are automatically deleted.

#### ❖ Troubleshooting:

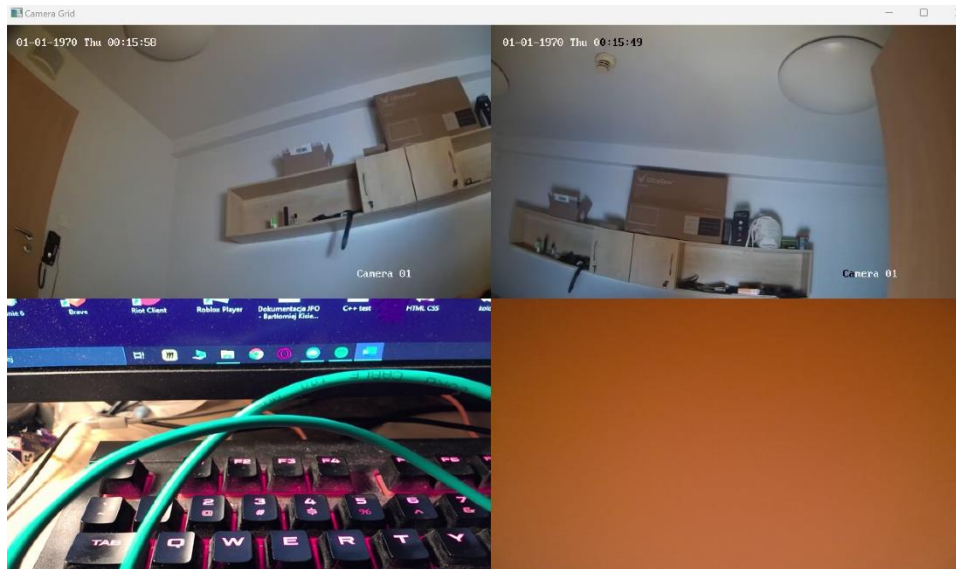
- If an IP camera does not load, test its stream
- If recordings are not saved, check the Videos/ directory permissions
- If recordings are saved, but they're damaged, try to change in the CameraMonitor class located in cctv\_project width and height
- Debugging logs are printed in the terminal for further issue diagnosis

## 9. Brief presentation

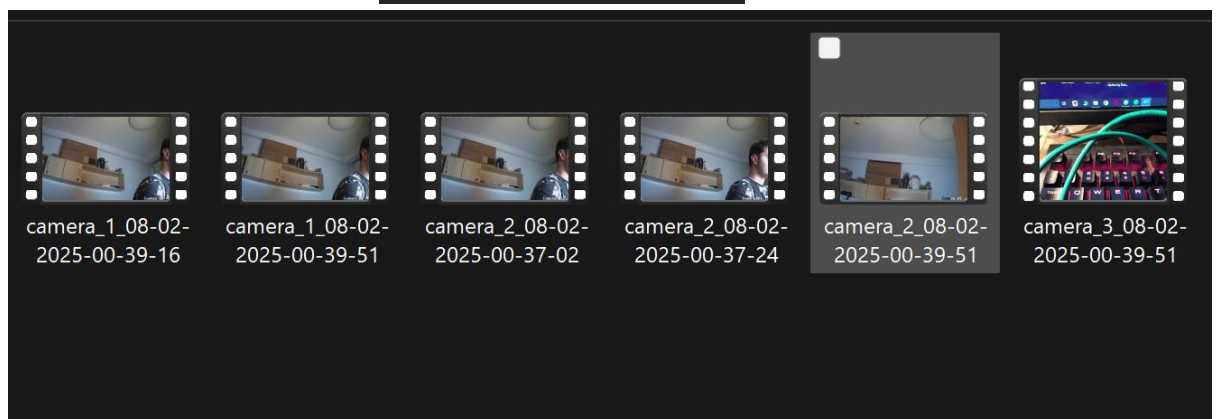
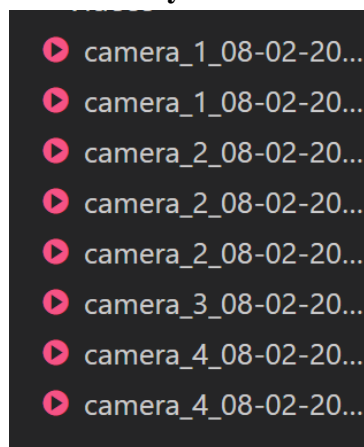
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The following are important elements of the system during commissioning such as:

❖ GUI with the grid of 2x2



❖ Saved video files in the Videos directory





## ❖ Display of system logs

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PS C:\Users\kisie\OneDrive\Pulpit\cctv> python .\src\run_cameras.py
Podaj liczbę kamer do zainicjalizowania: 4
Podaj identyfikator kamery 1 (np. 0, 1 lub URL strumienia RTSP): rtsp://admin:hikvision0987@192.168.1.67:554/Streaming/channels/2/
Podaj identyfikator kamery 2 (np. 0, 1 lub URL strumienia RTSP): rtsp://admin:hikvision0987@192.168.1.68:554/Streaming/channels/2/
Podaj identyfikator kamery 3 (np. 0, 1 lub URL strumienia RTSP): 0
Podaj identyfikator kamery 4 (np. 0, 1 lub URL strumienia RTSP): 1
Rozpoczynam monitorowanie kamer. Wciśnij '1' dla wykrywania ruchu, '2' dla ciągłego nagrywania, 'q' aby zakończyć.
Stopped recording
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In addition, the appendix contains sample recordings presenting the operation