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Abstract

To help facilitate dynamic and interactive presentations, and interactive projections, an open-source framework for detection and management of projector screen interactions is proposed, using a webcam for feedback. The framework is modular and expandable, and includes a proof-of-concept implementation of automatic screen detection, laser-pointer detection, Kalman compensation, and the use of the `pyautogui` Python library to handle control of a computer mouse as a result of detected interactions.

The target implementation is shown to be feasible for computers up to 2.67 times slower than the 15" mid-2015 Macbook Pro test device, robustly detecting projector screens and tracking laser-pointer interactions. The base-implementation runs at approximately 30 FPS on the test device, and the system was still usable at down to 12.5 FPS.

Projector screen detection exploits temporal control over the projection screen and camera to easily detect a screen within the camera image in a static environment. The screen corners are detected as intersections of the detected edges of the screen. From these, a projective transform is generated mapping the screen region of a camera image to the optionally downsampled screen resolution.

Interactions are detected as distortions on the expected background image, using a combination of reference lighting and the known screen image being displayed. Distortions are characterised using both colour and shape information for robustness.

To better account for the true position of an interaction, an extended Kalman filter is used for compensation, assuming a constant velocity from the last measurement. This helps to reduce the detrimental effects of system delay, and also allows for continued interaction motion through short periods of missed detection. Compensation was shown to improve high-fidelity performance at maximum speed by up to 20%.

This framework enables dynamic and interactive presentations, while also providing a basis for further projector interaction methods and detection techniques. With refinement, the framework could allow for low-cost, scalable, and transportable projection interaction technology, for use in streamed and recorded interactive presentations, artistic and digital design work on large interactive screens, and as an accessible alternative to existing costly smart-board technology.

The project is maintained at:

<https://github.com/ES-Alexander/interactive-projectivity-open>

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Chapter 1

Introduction

1.1 Motivation for the Project

In our modern, technological society, we strive for our machines and devices to meld seamlessly with the world around us. These augmentations of reality work to bring us enhanced lived experience, and enable us to interact with our environment, where even a static, plain surface can seem to be dynamic and easily influenced by our actions.

With projection and screen systems ubiquitous, significant research has gone into making our displays interactive. External peripherals such as keyboards, mouses, buttons, and joysticks allow for effective interaction at a low cost, but constrain the operator to the device. Touch-screen technologies add freedom of motion, but scale badly because they require significant increases in sensor numbers for larger screens, and are also generally limited to installed screens that cannot be easily moved or transported. This is true of common resistive and capacitive in-screen technologies, as well as various infrared (IR) light emitter-detector systems, such as the in-screen Distributed Infrared (DIR), Digital Vision Touch (DViT), and Hybrid Precision (HyPr) Touch by SMART technologies [1, 2, 3]. There are also remote sensing touch-screen systems, which are often scalable but require costly equipment which is generally installed in a single place. Examples of these systems are the use of multiple depth cameras in [4], or an external IR emitter with a linked IR camera detecting shadows and reflections cast by the operator, and registering touches on detected tip collisions of the shadow and reflection [5].

To overcome the limitations of scalability, cost, and transportability requires a remote, low-cost, movable sensor, subject more to algorithmic complexity and processing capabilities than display size and sensor numbers. To meet these objectives this thesis focuses on using computer vision with a single standard camera to detect and register user interactions with a projector screen. If implemented to an advanced capacity, this could form a low-cost alternative to existing smartboard technologies, enable remote interaction in presentations without constraining the presenter to a computer, and provide artists and designers with a transportable, large interactive workspace in the form of a laptop and portable projector.

As a proof of concept of the technology, this thesis focuses on presentations, whereby a presenter can shine a laser-pointer to remotely interact with their display, while simultaneously giving a dynamic presentation. This helps solve the problem that when presenting

material on multiple screens, presenters must currently either constrain themselves to their presentation device, or present dynamically for only those audience members in the room. Even in large presentation venues such as lecture theatres with two screens, using a laser-pointer ordinarily means only one screen displays what the presenter is referring to. The system proposed here allows the detection and display of a laser pointer on all screens, including for those watching a live-stream, or a recording afterwards.

Thus, this project focuses on addressing the question:

Is it possible for a presenter to remotely interact with their presentation in a dynamic manner, such that all audience members, present or streaming, have a similar experience?

1.2 Aim and Scope of the Project

The aim of this project is to create an open-source framework for detecting and managing presenter interactions with a projector screen.

The implementation scope is presentation environments, with a projector screen detected using a webcam feed. This allows proof of concept using a cheap, ubiquitous remote sensor that is already available on most presentation computers. The target implementation restricts interactions to a laser-pointer, which is detected from the stream in real-time using computer vision. Laser-pointer interactions are expected to be relatively easy to detect, allowing development and demonstration of the framework within a limited time frame, while also providing a sense of the computation speed requirements for more advanced implementations. Detection of multiple interactions simultaneously, and the translating of interactions into gestures are beyond the scope of this thesis.

1.3 Structure of the Thesis

The remainder of the thesis is structured as follows:

Chapter 2. Literature Review: Consideration of similar systems and technologies, and existing available code.

Chapter 3. System Design and Methodology: A description of the required and useful system components, as well as the selected implementation functionality and details, including an exploration of compensation to improve the performance of the system in adverse detection conditions.

Chapter 4. Results/Analysis: The results from testing the system, from the experience of an expert and two novices, including a comparison of the compensated system to its uncompensated baseline.

Chapter 5. Conclusions and Recommendations A summary of the state of the project with regard to its requirements, and recommendations for further advancement of the system.

Chapter 2

Literature Review

In this chapter, relevant literature is considered that discusses systems for interaction with a projector screen, with similar requirements and behaviour as required by the project aim and scope. Accordingly, this chapter identifies the abstract requirements of the system, and existing literature on similar topics.

2.1 Screen Detection

Screen detection is an essential part of a computer-vision interaction framework, because it is required for determining where interactions are within the screen. The simplest method of determining this is allowing the user to specify the screen corners on a displayed camera image. This, however, is error-prone, unreliable, and inconvenient, so an automated detection system is preferred.

One option proposed in [6] suggests a scenario whereby “the system uses the local feature method SURF (speeded-up robust features) to find some interest points before applying the RANSAC paradigm (Random Sample Consensus) to automatically generate the homography matrix [between the camera and screen].” This is effective, but is somewhat complex and is reliant on evaluating a probability criterion until within a tolerance.

An alternative option consists of drawing horizontal and vertical lines on a projector screen one at a time, and taking photos of them as part of a keystone correction. The camera-screen homography is then determined by considering the intersection points between pairs of horizontal and vertical lines. [7]

From this, it is understood that screen detection can be accomplished most easily by exploiting control of the projector over time, and also using a known image to determine location. Once the screen is detected, a homography can be made mapping the camera image to the screen, which allows for a projective transformation from the image to just the screen rectangle.

2.2 Laser Pointer Detection

Once the screen has been detected, the laser pointer detection and tracking can begin, using a variety of potential methods. A trivial solution is searching for the brightest correct-coloured spot on the screen, as suggested in [8], although this can be problematic with the laser saturating the camera and appearing as white. An alternative is presented in [7], whereby an initial image is taken with the projection displayed as white, and a threshold is used to determine spots on the image that are sufficiently brighter than the maximal brightness background from the white screen image. This has issues if lighting changes significantly while running the tracking, but is otherwise quite robust to dynamic backgrounds. Both these methods make use of a multi-stage search, where a small region around the last detected position of the laser is searched first, and if the laser is not detected within that region the rest of the image is searched with a convolution.

A more recent detection method is described in [6], where camera images are converted to hue-saturation-intensity colour-space to allow for more accurate colour-matching of the laser while also thresholding on intensity. This is less affected by lighting changes where the laser is bright enough to maintain its colour, and is a relatively robust detection method.

From these methods it can be understood that the primary features for extracting laser pointer position from an image are intensity, colour, shape, and exploitation of known properties of the projected screen.

2.3 Existing Open-Source Functionality

Some desired functionality of the code is already freely available as part of other open-source projects. To maximise on this, Python was selected as the implementation programming language due to its cross-platform compatibility, ease of use, and extensive availability of libraries.

2.3.1 Hardware Connection

In order to connect the control program to a webcam feed, `openCV` was installed. As a cross-platform open-source programming library for computer vision, `openCV` allows connecting to most webcams and many other cameras.

2.3.2 Computer Vision

To perform any kind of image processing and object detection requires computer vision functionality. This is provided using `openCV`, with `numpy` used to perform fast array operations.

2.3.3 Screenshots

To best exploit known information about the projected screen, it is helpful to be able to capture the current screen with a screenshot. Table 2.1 displays the two main options for this, with `mss` proving superior in both platform support and speed.

Table 2.1: Screenshot Library

Library	platforms?	notes
Pillow	no linux	slow
mss	all	fast

2.3.4 Device control

Interactions are required to not only be detected, but should also have some influence over the source. To do this requires device control, which is most easily achieved by emulating a mouse and/or keyboard. The primary purpose for the target implementation is mouse control, but in the interests of allowing more complex interactions in future it is preferable to allow more interaction methods where possible. Table 2.2 compares the major options for device control, with `pyautogui` selected over `Pynput` due to less overhead from not implementing listening behaviour, and selected over `autopy` because `pyautogui` is pure Python and easier to install.

Table 2.2: Device Control Library

Library	platforms?	mouse	keyboard	notes
Pynput	all	1	1	control+listen
pyautogui	all	1	1	control
mouse	no macOS	1	0	
autopy	all	1	1	rust-based
PyUserInput	all	1	weak	

Chapter 3

System Design and Methodology

This chapter provides the details and justification for the target implementation, used to create the desired interaction detection and managing framework. It discusses the components of the system, flow of execution through the program states of the controller, and further considerations that could improve the system in future.

3.1 System Components

The proposed system is comprised of the following components, which are required for an interaction controller to function. The connection of components and their translation to the physical implementation are displayed in Figure 3.1.

- **Sensor:** Collects information about the environment, including the display signal being interacted with
- **Interaction Detector:** Extraction of interaction locations and timing
- **Controller:** Translation of interactions into influence on the source
- **Source:** The signal being displayed
- **Display:** The physical presentation of the source within the display environment, to be interacted with
- **Interaction Distortions:** Intentional distortions of the display signal recorded by the sensor, used to interact with the display

The sensor itself will also bring noise into the system, which is exacerbated by any misalignment of the detected screen region.

From the base components, the figure outlines the target implementation, which uses computer vision on a laptop to detect laser-pointer distortions on a projector screen, as viewed by the laptop webcam.

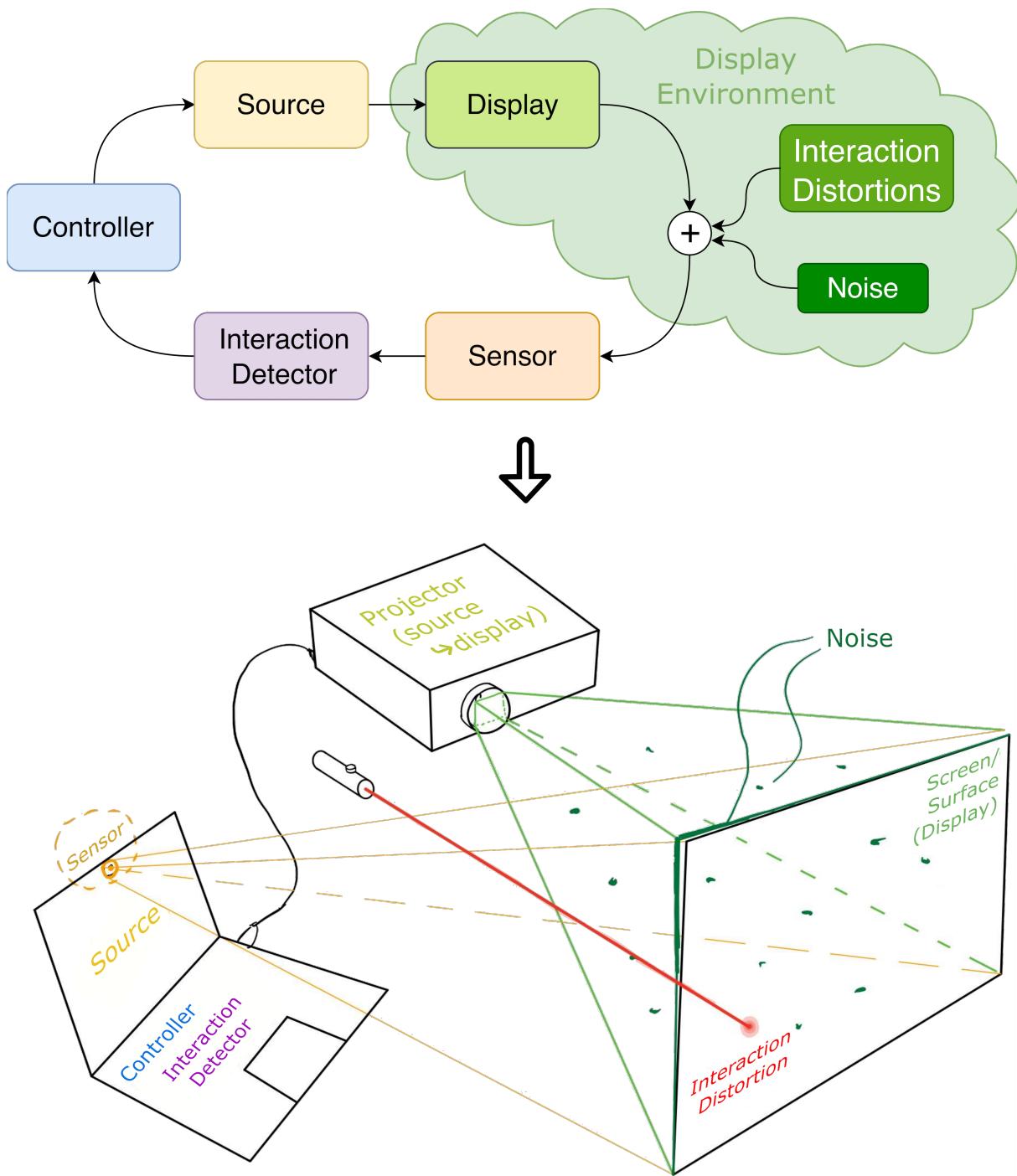


Figure 3.1: System Components and Chosen Implementation

3.1.1 Device Properties

All implementation and testing was performed using a 15" mid-2015 Macbook Pro, with a 2.5GHz Quad-Core Intel core i7 processor, Intel Iris Pro 1536 MB graphics augmented with an AMD Radeon R9 M370X 2 GB, and 16 GB 1600 MHz DDR3 RAM.

3.2 Program States

From the main components of the system, it is possible to split the detection and control algorithm into related program states, as provided in Figure 3.2. These include a breakdown into required components of each state, helpful optional components which are implemented, and components which could be helpful but have not been implemented in the current codebase (shown in red). State colouring is provided linking the program states to the respective system components from Figure 3.1. The main control algorithm code can be found in Appendix A.

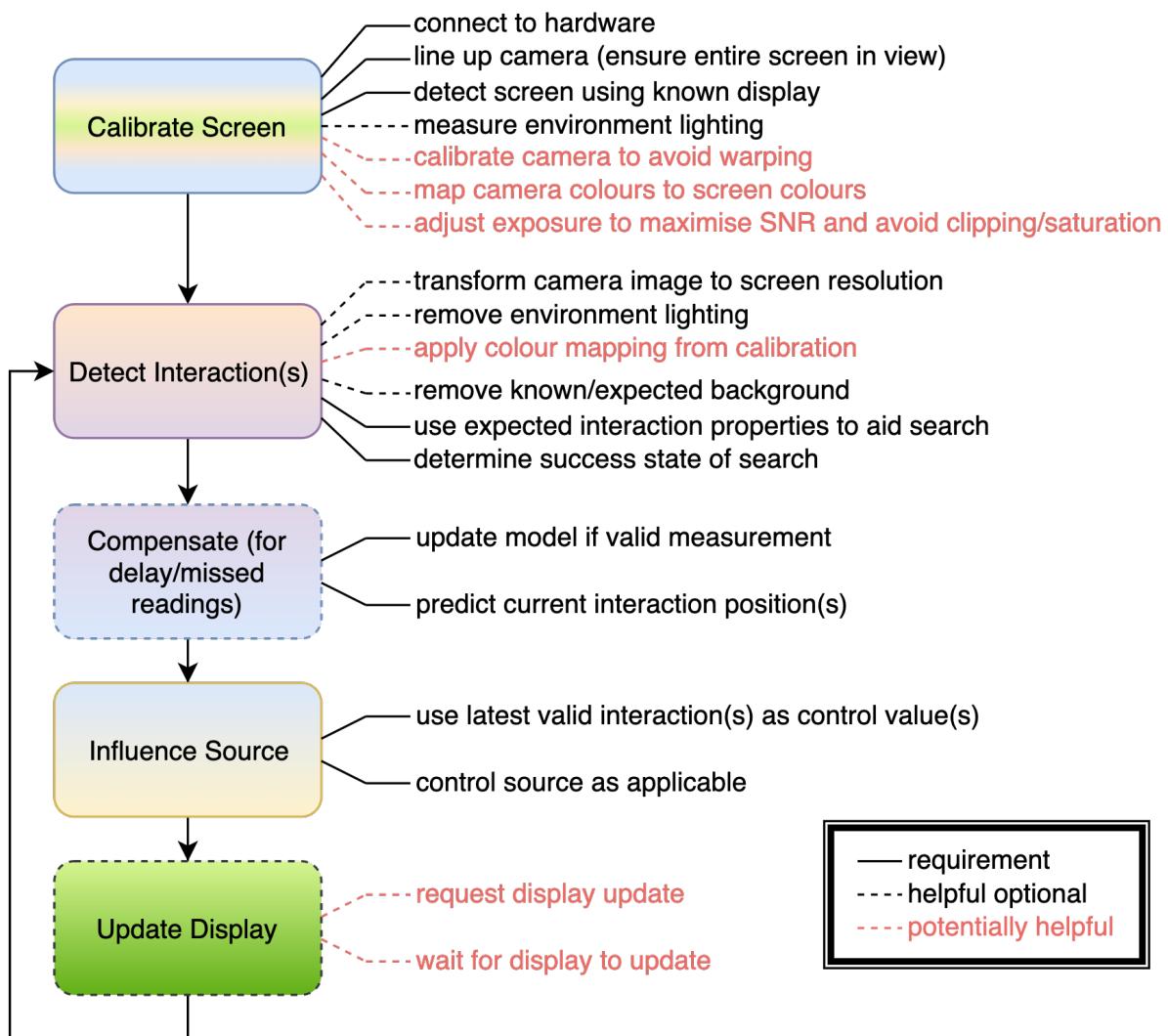


Figure 3.2: Algorithm Process Flow

3.3 Screen Detection and Calibration

As presented in the states above and in the literature exploration, screen detection must occur before the main control loop and the interaction detection can begin. Finding the screen in the simplest case requires finding the four corner points, from which a projective transform can be made mapping the screen region of future images from the camera into just the screen region, for direct comparison with screenshots of the laptop screen. For this to be successful requires relatively limited lens warping from the camera, which is a reasonably valid assumption now as compared to when the literature resources were published. This allows some simplification of the detection process in that only a simple transform is required to be developed.

The following list outlines the steps implemented to robustly detect the screen, making use of control over the display through time to remove the background and make the detection as easy as possible. The code for screen calibration and detection is found in Appendices B and C, with edge processing code in Appendix D.

1. **Setup:** User connects hardware and ensures screen is fully within camera view.
2. **Capture Background:** Set the screen to black and take an image (effectively without the screen).
3. **Capture Screen:** Set the screen to white and take an image.
4. **Remove Background:** Subtract the known background from the screen image to leave just the screen and noise. Negative values in the result are set to 0, as a camera cannot capture negative light.
5. **Reduce Noise:** Slightly blur the high-contrast screen image by convolving with a Gaussian kernel, to reduce spikes from noise.
6. **Greyscale:** Convert the image to a greyscale intensity map to prepare for binarisation.
7. **Binarise:** Convert to a binary image using Otsu's method, assuming a bi-modal intensity distribution (screen/no screen) and thresholding between the modes.
8. **Edges:** Use Canny edge-detection to extract all edges from the binary image.
9. **Lines:** Find straight lines in the edge image using the Probabilistic Hough Transform, then scale detected lines to the image boundaries - these should be just the edges of the screen.
10. **Line Reduction:** Combine lines that intersect within the image with an angle of less than 5 degrees between them - these are assumed to be along the same screen edge.
11. **Intersections:** Get the intersection points between all the lines.
12. **Screen Corners:** The screen region is defined by 4 corner points - if more than 4 points are available, use k-means clustering to determine the most likely corner locations. Less than 4 detected points registers as a failed calibration.

13. **Ordering:** Assuming the camera and screen have a similar or identical vertical axis direction, order the corner points consistently according to their position relative to the camera-coordinate averages of the 4 points.
14. **Confirmation:** Draw the detected screen edges and seek user confirmation as to the success of the calibration. If it is denied, repeat from step 2.
15. **Transform:** Create a transformation mapping the screen points to an image of the (optionally downsampled) screen resolution, for later direct comparison with the screen itself.
16. **Light Reference:** If no exposure control is in use, the original background image can be used as the environment lighting reference. Otherwise the exposure should be adjusted as desired (see below), before setting the screen to black and taking a lighting reference image.

Figures 3.3 and 3.4 display the progression of a single calibration attempt.

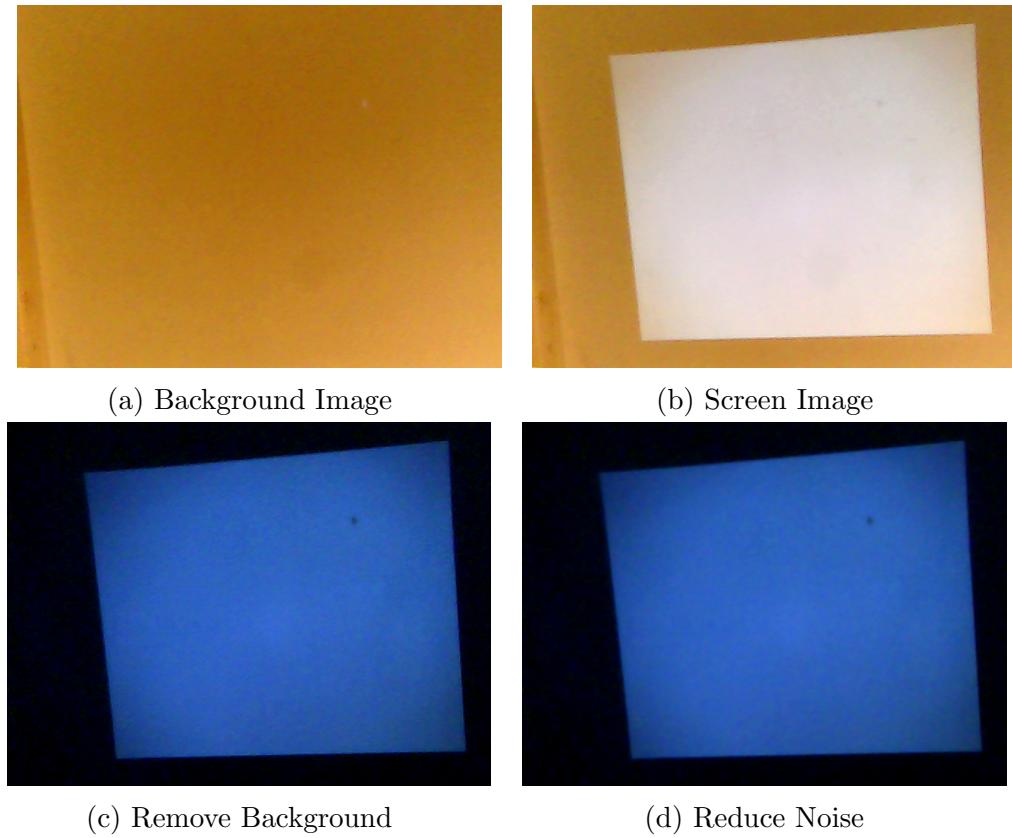


Figure 3.3: Screen Calibration Steps (pt 1)

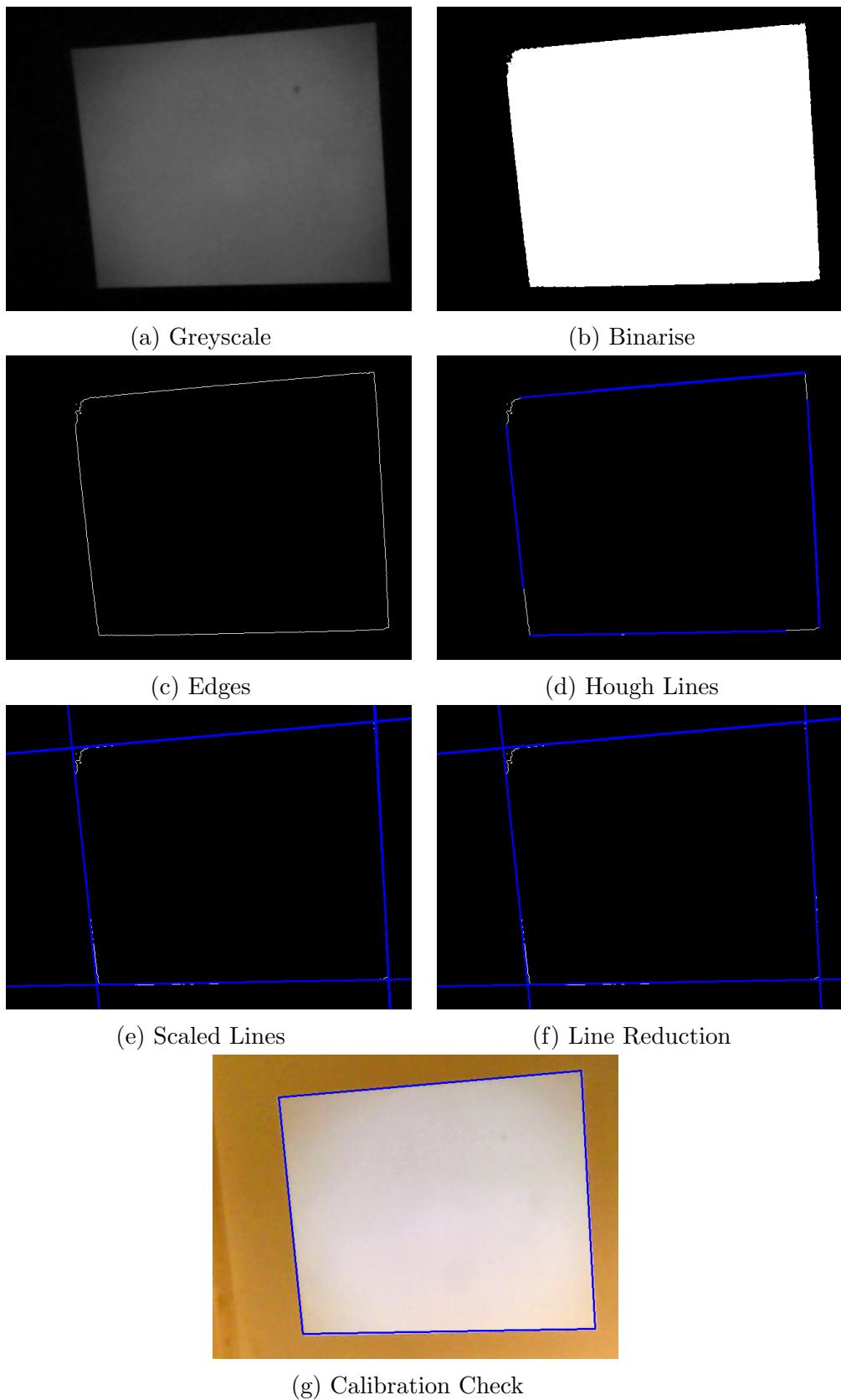


Figure 3.4: Screen Calibration Steps (pt 2)

An alternative edge extraction method involving adaptive mean thresholding, morphology, and skeletonisation was implemented but found to be inferior due to being less reliable and more computationally intensive than the current solution.

Characterising the camera with a camera calibration could be helpful, particularly for strongly warped cameras, but was left unimplemented as it is generally non-essential, time-consuming, and involves relatively complicated algorithms. Similar logic applies to performing a colour map from the camera colours to the expected screen colours, with the added drawback of requiring additional computation when processing each image for interaction detection. The main benefit to a colour-mapping approach would occur in cases where the laser pointer is not particularly bright relative to the screen, and needs to be searched for with primarily with colour and shape information.

As suggested in [7], controlling the exposure helps reduce the difficulty of robust interaction detection. This was attempted but not able to be implemented due to difficulties with connecting the available webcams to an appropriate back-end. It is strongly suggested that this is implemented reliably in continuation of this project, particularly for additive-light interactions such as laser-pointers, which may not be detected if the camera is saturated by a high-intensity region of the projection. Where control is established, the exposure should be set to constant (auto-exposure should be turned off), and the exposure should be adjusted such that the projection at maximum intensity still has some sensing range to detect brighter light on top of it. In cases where the projection is quite dim relative to the saturation intensity of the camera, the exposure should be increased to maximise the useful signal range, thus increasing the signal to noise ratio. Note that whenever exposure is controlled, images considered relative to the screen should be intensity-adjusted to account for the known difference in intensity.

3.4 Interaction Detection

Once the screen is correctly detected, the algorithm can focus on detecting interactions. As discussed in Section 2.2, detecting interactions quickly and robustly involves exploiting the understanding of the system and its limitations. This includes intensity, shape, and colour knowledge about the interaction type being detected.

Transforming the camera image to have the screen directly comparable to a screenshot allows for background and lighting removal, which makes distortions on the screen significantly easier to detect. Downsampling and blurring help to reduce high-frequency noise from the sensor, and targeted kernel and colour filtering help to quickly find the desired interaction(s). The following list outlines the implemented steps to process a sensor image and determine the position of an interaction, if one is present. The relevant general interaction and laser detection code is in Appendix E.

1. **Latest Frame:** Retrieve the latest camera frame, blur it slightly with a Gaussian kernel to reduce sensor noise, and transform it to match the shape of the (optionally downsampled) screen.
2. **Reference (Background) Image:** While waiting for step 1., take a screenshot of the source image being sent to the projector, resize appropriately if downsampling, and add on the reference lighting if using.

3. **Background Subtraction:** Once the latest frame and reference image are both available, subtract the reference image from the latest frame to remove the background, and blur with a Gaussian kernel to reduce the effects of high frequency noise from the lighting reference.
4. **Normalisation:** Linearly scale the range of the resulting image such that the minimum value (negative from the subtraction) is scaled to zero, and the maximum value remains where it is. This helps to improve the information density within the valid range of the image.
5. **Greyscale:** Convert the image to a single channel by either converting to a greyscale intensity map, or using known colour information of the interaction to choose an optimal channel (e.g. use the same colour channel as a laser colour).
6. **Seek Interaction Shape:** Convolve the image with one or more custom-shaped kernels intended to identify the known/expected shape of the interaction being searched for (e.g. a laser-pointer can be found using a small kernel with a high peak in the center and sharp drop-off around it).
7. **Remove DC Error:** Subtract the previous filtered image to remove stationary background components accentuated by the filter. This helps to focus on moving interactions.
8. **Blurring:** Blur the image with a broad Gaussian kernel to help reduce noise accentuated by the filter.
9. **Threshold:** Determine interaction location(s) by comparing the highest scored points with a pre-determined threshold. When tracking only one interaction, simply find the highest value point.
10. **Handling:** If not compensating, register any valid points as the latest interaction location(s). Otherwise, register these points as correcting-measurements for the compensation algorithm (see Section 3.5). Scale up point(s) by downsampling factor to get true screen position(s).

Figures 3.5 and 3.6 display the progression of a single laser detection.

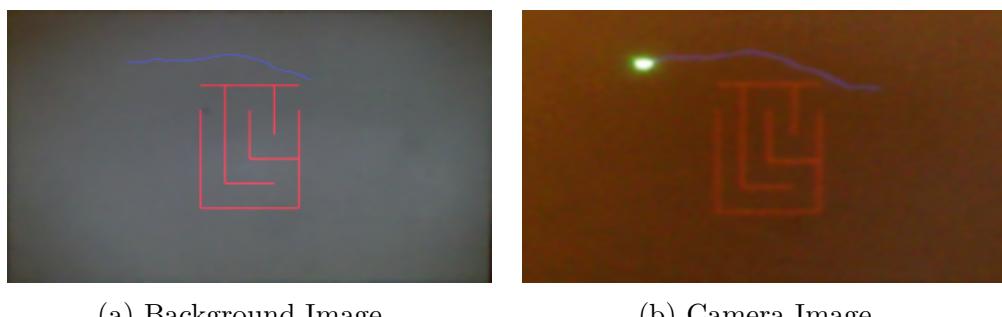


Figure 3.5: Laser Detection Steps (pt 1)

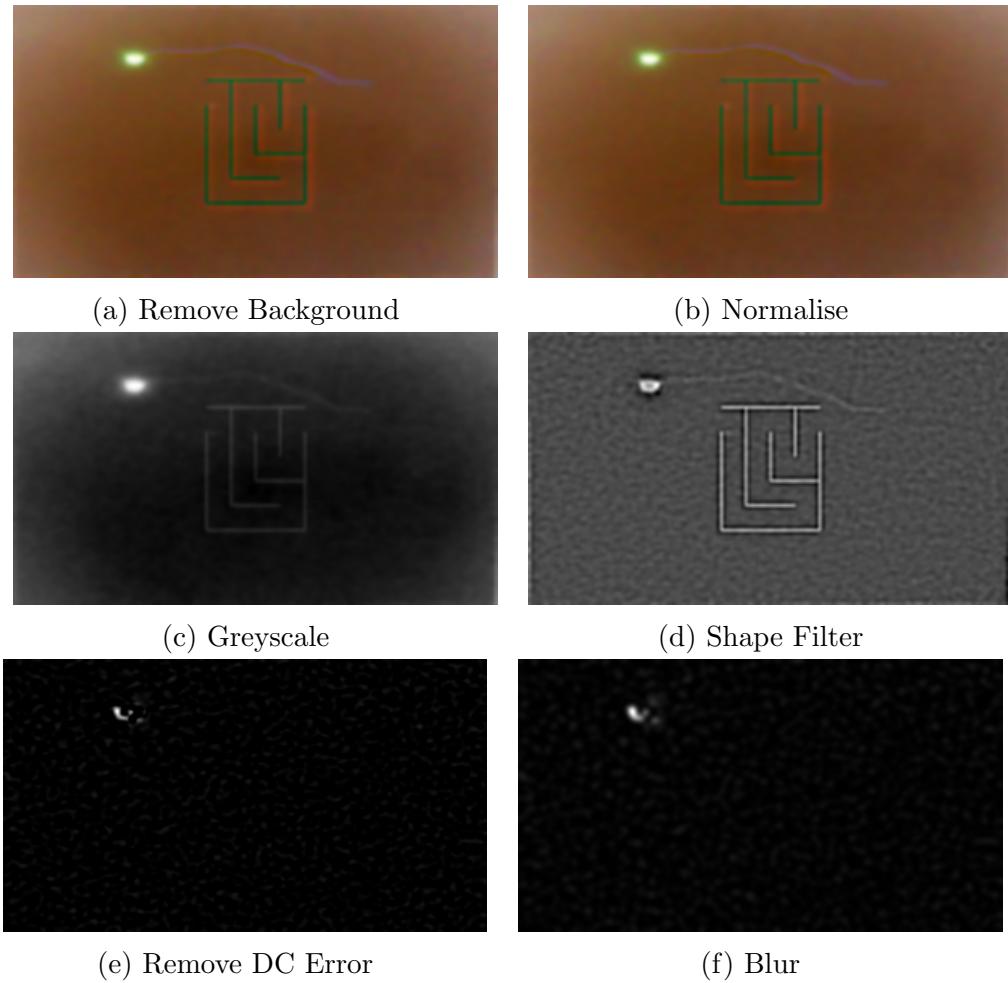


Figure 3.6: Laser Detection Steps (pt 2)

3.5 Compensation

Detection of interactions is not guaranteed to be a fast process, so it can be useful to apply a compensation algorithm to provide a smooth response even when detections are slow. Compensation options and implementation are outlined in this section.

3.5.1 Utility of Compensation

As with any feedback system, there is delay between when the system is in a given state and when the sensors report that state. By the time the system has detected an interaction from the sensor data, the interaction is most likely no longer in that location. Accordingly, it can be beneficial to use a compensation algorithm to predict the expected current location of an interaction, as opposed to simply displaying where it was last recorded. An effective compensation algorithm is able to exploit measurements and time information to determine accurate predictions of the current state of an interaction. A compensator also has the ability to account for missed measurements, in which case brief detection failures do not cause significant issues.

It may at times be beneficial to perform multiple predictions between observations to maintain a desired update frequency, thus reducing jerkiness of the displayed interaction result(s). This, however, comes at the cost of potential overshoot, particularly between slow observations, which could outweigh the benefit of smoother updates. Multiple predictions could also result in larger jerks from correcting for overshoot than those ordinarily between observations. Similarly, it is worth noting that it is possible to begin the next measurement while processing previous measurement(s), thus increasing the temporal resolution of compensator corrections. In such a system, care must be taken to avoid increasing the delay by overloading the processing capacity of the device, as asynchronously processing several measurement attempts simultaneously could cause individual measurements to take longer. In cases of increased delay, the error reduction from finer resolution motion is effectively negated, so it is not worth the compromise.

For the sake of simplicity and ease of implementation, the target system is designed to run sequentially, whereby the processing of each measurement blocks until completion, after which a prediction is made and the next measurement is begun. This helps to reduce overshoot and saves processing power. Avoiding excessive processing also saves energy, which could be particularly relevant in scenarios where the interaction system is being run with power constraints. Nevertheless, it is suggested that asynchronous measurement and prediction be tested in future works to determine the utility of alternative systems.

3.5.2 Compensator Selection

Selection of an appropriate compensator involves determining the desired type of tracking, and understanding the available information and system constraints:

- **No Control Inputs:** User has autonomy and no direct means of communicating with the controller.
- **Measurement Definition:** A single measurement is a single interaction position at a recorded time.
- **Position Components:** Given the user can interact wherever they please, position components of an interaction are independent.
- **Location Uncertainty:** Requires frequent measurements and fast processing to correct for temporal delay between when a measurement is taken and when the corresponding interaction is registered.
- **Desired Compensation:** Follows the true interaction position precisely and accurately across both time and space. Continues through missed measurements, but also stops when interaction stops.
- **Realistic Compensation:** Given the interactions are intended to be meaningful to human users, processing above 30FPS (standard frame-rate of TV) will have limited returns. The minimum required frame-rate is estimated to be around 12FPS in animation [9], below which jerkiness becomes excessive and difficult to follow for human viewers.
- **Comparability:** An uncompensated system can be considered as equivalent to zero-order hold compensation, where each prediction simply returns the last measured state. This allows for both sequential and asynchronous comparisons.

From these properties it can be summarised that the goal of the compensator is to track an interaction point in real-time, accounting for uncertainty of both position and trajectory. Two common methods for object tracking are extended Kalman filters (EKFs) and particle filters (PFs). Both allow for asynchronous predictions and corrections from measurements, while accounting for uncertainty of process, measurement, and state, but a PF uses several samples which converge to one or more most likely locations, whereas an EKF predicts just one location for the point it is tracking [10]. Additional compensation methods such as machine learning techniques are also possible, but the simplicity and rapid computation of an EKF makes it a highly suitable compensation algorithm for the desired use-case.

3.5.3 Compensator Implementation and Tuning

Kalman filters have several variations. The EKF is most commonly used for tracking, as it is augmented with kinematics, effectively allowing one implicitly evaluated time-derivative of state beyond that which is measured. Accordingly, if the interaction detector measures the position of the interaction, kinematic Kalman compensation can make predictions about the current position by assuming the velocity is constant from the previous position. More complex models are possible, accounting for acceleration and/or turn-rate for turning systems, but require additional measurement values, and were not implemented in the target case due to additional implementation complexity, longer computation times, and larger spikes from rapid direction changes if tracking acceleration.

In order for a compensation algorithm to be effective, it must be tuned for the desired use-case. A Kalman filter works by assuming Gaussian uncertainty for the measurements, and the process - the expected changing of the system [11]. Tuning a Kalman filter involves essentially estimating these uncertainty values accurately, hence increasing the likelihood of correct predictions. As the interaction locations are in pixel coordinates, the noise (uncertainty) covariances are also measured in pixel units.

Table 3.1: Tuned noise variance

Noise Type	Variance	Reasoning
Measurement	0.01 pixels	Detected interactions generally very accurate
Process Position	500 pixels	Positions can change significantly between measurements
Process Velocity	10 pixels/second	Velocity can change, but not as quickly as position

Process noise was determined through repeated testing of the compensation. All off-diagonal terms of the noise covariance matrices were set to 0 to reflect the independence of the directions. These values are somewhat arbitrary, but it is worth noting that any interaction type will likely require its own compensation tuning, and different users, devices, and/or cameras would likely benefit from individualised tuning. Accordingly, it is suggested that future work considers a self-tuning approach for the compensation, either through a tuning mode at setup, or continually while using the interaction framework. Appendix E contains the compensation implementation code, adapted with significant modifications from [12].

3.6 Further Considerations

With the compensation implemented, there remain some aspects of the framework that are unimplemented. They are discussed here for completeness.

Intentionally waiting for display updates is only meaningful when there is a particular display image the controller is waiting for. Generally, the display is not manually updated except in testing mode, where a line is drawn from the previous to the current interaction. In the target implementation interactions are registered as an influence on the source, but no attempt is made to predict their effect, and instead the algorithm works purely on what is detected by the sensor, and what is on the screen when it is captured.

In the example implementation only one interaction type is being tracked, so `pyautogui` was used to simply move the laptop mouse cursor to the detected laser position. Tracking multiple interactions while emulating a trackpad rather than a standard mouse would allow for gestures such as zooming and rotating. Advanced interaction detection could also be used to recognise gestures of a single interaction over time, allowing for actions such as clicking and dragging.

Presently the system is not set up to handle changing screen resolutions post-calibration. As Microsoft Powerpoint often does this when entering presentation mode, it is suggested to either set a consistent resolution, or start a presentation prior to running the interaction detector, then switching back to the presentation once calibration is complete.

Chapter 4

Results/Analysis

With the system implemented, it is possible to test the success of the algorithm in terms of its speed and the benefit of the compensation. Testing was performed by an expert user of the system and two novices, with instructions to draw a line with the laser pointer through a simple maze as quickly as possible. This was done several times with and without compensation applied, and over varying added delays to simulate the effects of a slower system. A sample trial is displayed in Figure 4.1. The attempts were recorded using testing mode of the control algorithm (Appendix A), and separated and summarised using the code in Appendix F.

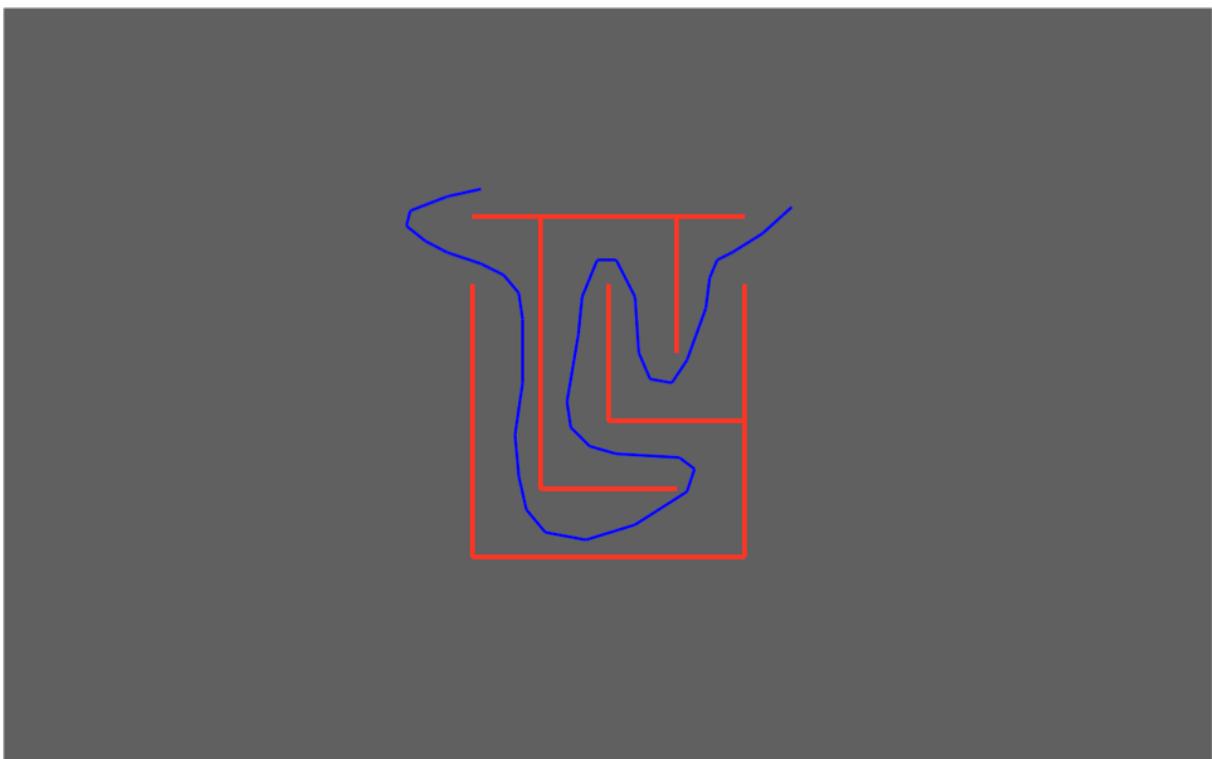


Figure 4.1: Maze Sample Trial

4.1 Sufficiency

Within the testing conditions, screen and laser detection were highly robust (see Figure 4.2 for an example screen detection), so the main determining factor of sufficiency was processing speed.

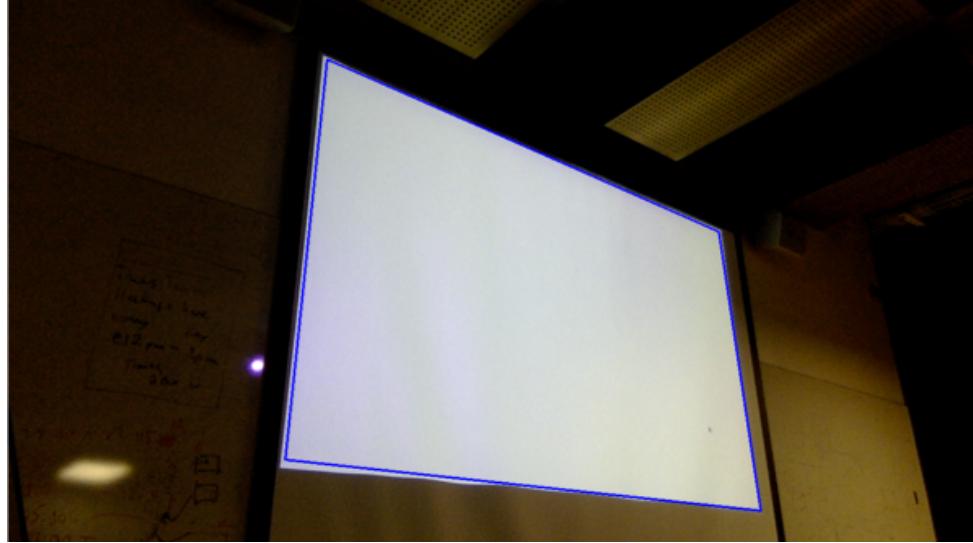


Figure 4.2: Screen Detection Example

Figure 4.3 displays the effective processing frame-rate for the base system, as well as for added delays of 10, 50, and 100ms. The variance of the processing times is considerably larger than the added computation time when using the compensated system, so compensation is assumed to add negligible delay.

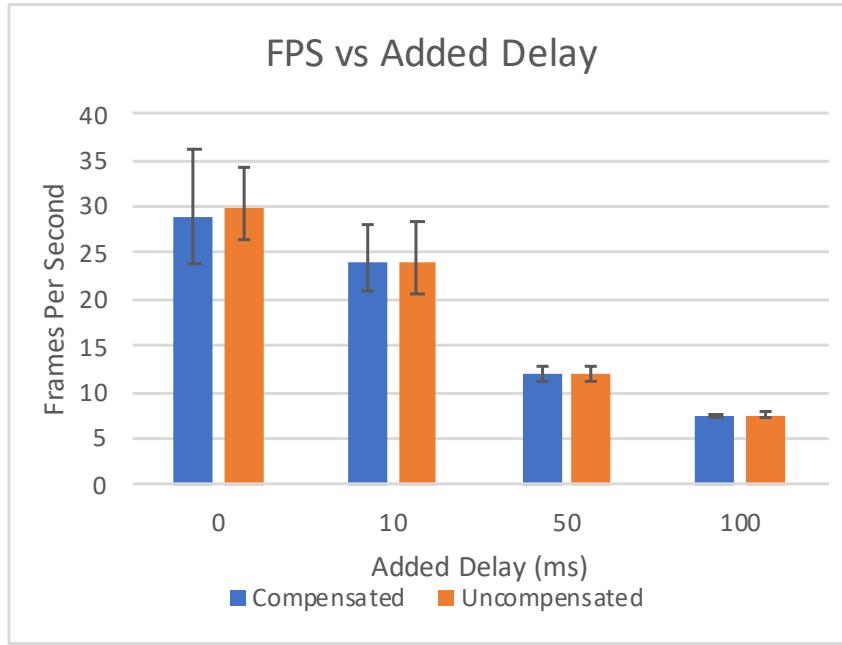


Figure 4.3: Equivalent Frames Per Second Processing Speed

The general consensus of the three testers was that the system worked well for no added delay, and 10ms of delay. At 50ms added delay it was considered usable but not ideal.

100ms of added delay was sufficiently jerky that the system would likely be more of a hindrance than a benefit in a presentation environment. Timing results from the successful attempts through the maze are presented in Figure 4.4, with times normalised to the fastest expert time. Due to the nature of the test instructions, only the fastest attempt time was plotted for each category, as the test was one of high-fidelity tracking at maximum speed. The slower completion times for both novices using the base system are attributed to this being the first test performed, after which they were more used to the system and instructions. This should be controlled for in future trials.

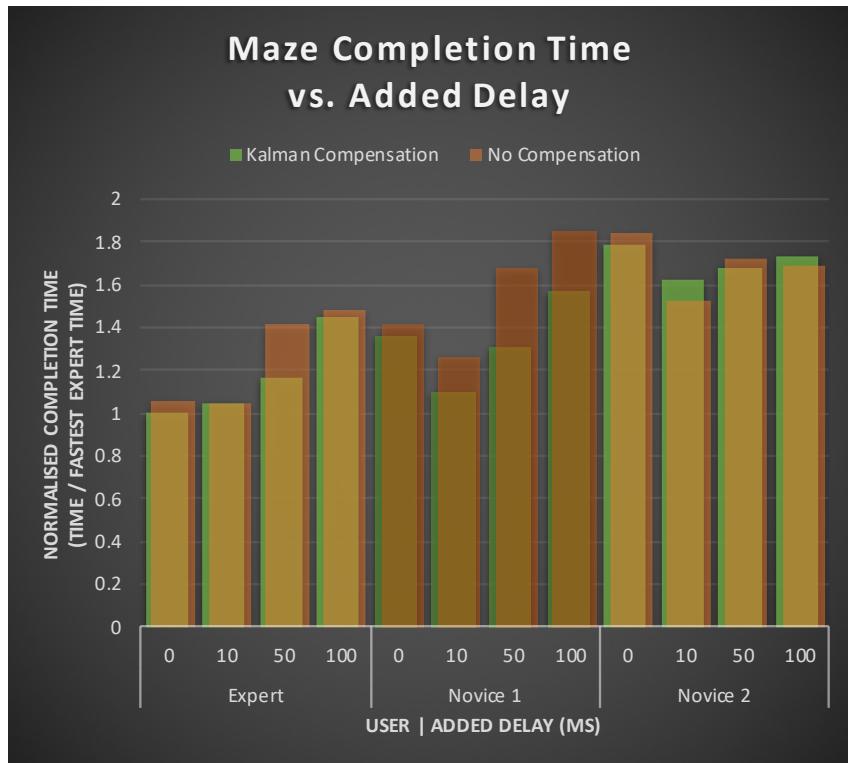


Figure 4.4: Effect of Added Delay on Usability (Fidelity at Speed)

With the base system processing each frame within about 30ms, adding 50ms of delay brings the frame rate to approximately 12.5FPS, which is consistent with the 12FPS lower limit of reasonableness specified in Section 3.5.2. Accordingly, the base system was deemed sufficient, and could run on computers up to 2.67 times slower than the test device while maintaining usability.

4.2 Baseline Comparison

While Section 4.1 determines the compensation evaluates fast enough to not be detrimental to performance, it is worth considering whether or not it is actually helpful. Figure 4.5 extracts the ratio of uncompensated and Kalman-compensated completion times from Figure 4.4. Here it can be seen that in general Kalman compensation was helpful in reducing maze completion time, with uncompensated times up to 20% slower for some tests. It is suggested to perform additional tests in future to determine the relationship between compensation and added delay, using a larger test population, and to determine the effect of tuning the compensation algorithm specifically to maximise performance at each delay amount, or even specifically for each user.

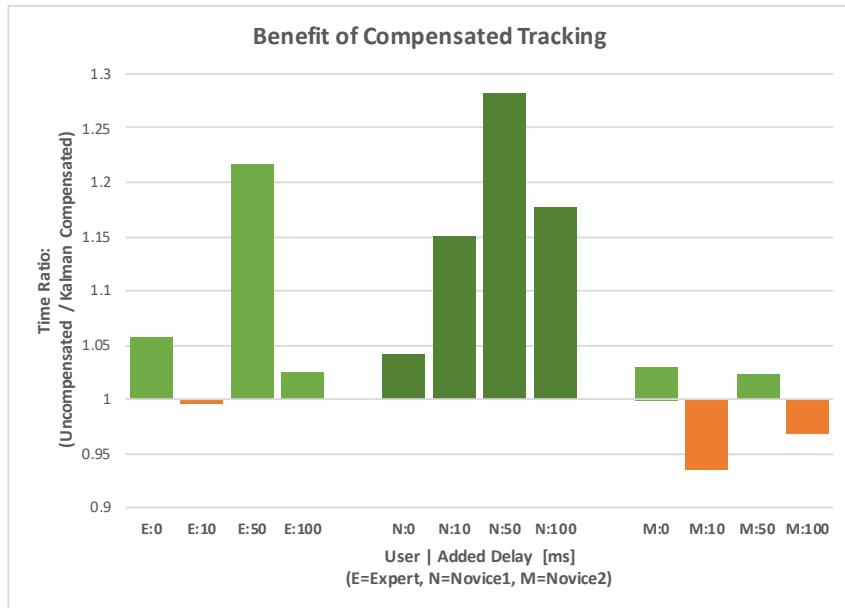


Figure 4.5: Compensated Tracking Maze Completion Time Benefit

Chapter 5

Conclusion and Recommendations

A need for cost-effective, scalable, and transportable projection interaction technology has been identified, which can facilitate dynamic, interactive presentations. To this end, an open-source framework for detecting and managing interactions has been developed, with the target implementation of Kalman-compensated laser-pointer detection implemented successfully using a webcam.

A review of relevant literature found existing techniques for screen and laser-pointer detection within an image were documented, but not optimal for the use-case where the controller can exploit temporal control and the known background to more robustly perform detection. Reported techniques in the reviewed articles also did not provide accessible code, so the open source community was unable to use their results without implementing them themselves.

Accordingly, a framework was developed covering screen detection, laser-pointer detection, Kalman compensation, and handling of detected interactions into mouse movements (code in Appendices). The framework is modular and expandable, allowing for easy implementation of additional interaction detection methods, and compensation methods. This system was shown to be usable in testing, for computers up to 2.67 times slower than the test device.

For full utility of the program, it is suggested that exposure control be implemented, with additional potential benefit from implementing camera calibration to de-warp images, and colour-mapping to more easily remove the expected screen from camera images.

Further to these refinements, some other possible extensions are:

- Handling changing screen resolution
- Automatic tuning of the compensation algorithm either during setup or throughout usage by a presenter.
- Asynchronous predictions and measurements to reduce movement jerkiness, and allow for more frequent updates.

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Appendix A

Controller Code

Listing 1: Code enabling user interactions to influence the source

```
1 #!/usr/bin/env python3
2
3 from GUI import *                      # GUI for calibration/testing
4                                         # np, cv2, Edge, device, sleep
5                                         # exit_with_message
6 from laser_detector import LaserDetector # interaction detector
7 from threading import Thread, Lock       # semi-synchronous parallel processing
8 from queue import Queue                 # mouse position thread communication
9 from time import time                  # timing
10 from mss import mss                   # fast cross-platform screenshots
11 from MyImgLib import imadjust        # image value scaling
12 from analyser import Analyser         # test mode analysis
13
14 class Controller(object):
15     ''' A class for interfacing a screen with a laser pointer. '''
16
17     COLOUR = {'r': 2, 'g': 1}
18
19     def __init__(self, laser_colour='r', grayscale=False, light_ref=True,
20                  compensation=True, user='', delay=0, testing=False):
21         ''' Create a controller instance for the screen. '''
22         self._cam = None
23         self._colour = self.COLOUR[laser_colour]
24         self._laser_colour = laser_colour
25         self._detector = LaserDetector(laser_colour, kalman=compensation)
26         self._GUI = None
27         self._mouse_offset = np.array([10, 10], dtype=np.float64)
28
29         self._points = []
30
31         self.grayscale = grayscale
32         self.light_ref = light_ref
33
34     if testing:
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35     filename = 'temp/stats_d' + str(delay)
36     if user:
37         filename += '_'+user
38     if compensation:
39         filename += '_c'
40     self._filename = filename
41
42     self._testing = testing
43
44     self._delay = delay
45
46     device.PAUSE = 0 # no need for safety delay
47
48 def run(self, camera_id, downsample=4):
49     ''' Link the specified camera to the screen and run test maze. '''
50     self._queue = Queue()
51     device_controller = Thread(name='device', target=self._move_mouse,
52                                 daemon=True)
53     self._mouse_gain = np.array([1,1], dtype=np.float64)
54     self._res_changed = False
55
56     try:
57         connect_success = self._connect(camera_id)
58         if not connect_success:
59             exit_with_message("Connection Failure.")
60
61         # start tkinter (it dies if opened after imshow in _calib_wait)
62         self._GUI = GUI()
63
64         # wait for user to confirm connection or quit
65         if not self._calib_wait():
66             exit_with_message('User quit application.')
67
68         calibrate_success, self._screen = self._GUI.calibrate(self._cam,
69                                         downsample)
70         if not calibrate_success:
71             exit_with_message('Calibration failure.')
72
73         # set mouse gain so positions are over full screen
74         self._mouse_gain *= self._screen.downsample
75
76         # set boundaries to keep points inside
77         self._mouse_offset /= 2
78         maxs = self._GUI.resolution - self._mouse_offset
79         mins = self._mouse_offset
80         self._boundaries = [mins[0], maxs[0], mins[1], maxs[1]]
81         self._mouse_offset[:] = [0,0]
82

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83         self._boundary_lines = Edge.get_rect_lines(self._boundaries)
84
85     if self.light_ref:
86         self._set.ref.lighting()
87
88     if self._testing:
89         self._GUI.draw_maze(self._laser.colour)
90         self._points.append([*self._GUI._prev, time()])
91     else:
92         self._GUI._root.withdraw()
93         self._points = [device.position()]
94
95     device_controller.start() # start mouse controller
96
97     self._start_camera_handler()
98
99     self._latest = 0
100    self._last = time()
101    if self._testing:
102        self._GUI._root.after(self._delay, self._run_loop)
103        self._GUI._root.mainloop()
104    else:
105        while True: self._run_loop()
106
107 finally:
108     if self._testing and len(self._points) > 2:
109         #print(self._points)
110         an = Analyser(self._points, self._GUI._maze_regions,
111                       self._GUI._lines)
112         print(min(an._dTs), max(an._dTs), np.mean(an._dTs))
113         filename = an.save_stats(self._filename)
114         print('SAVED STATS TO', filename)
115
116     if not self._cam is None:
117         self._cam.release() # release the camera
118     try:
119         self._GUI._root.destroy()
120     except Exception: pass # root already destroyed/never initialised
121     cv2.destroyAllWindows() # stop displaying stuff
122     device.mouseUp() # release the mouse
123     # device_controller and frame_thread daemons auto-destroyed
124
125 def _start_camera_handler(self):
126     ''' Starts the handler thread for the feedback camera. '''
127     self._lock1 = Lock()
128     self._lock2 = Lock()
129     self._camera_handler = Thread(name='frame', target=self._handle_camera,
130                                 daemon=True)

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131     self._lock1.acquire()      # start with main thread in control
132     self._camera_handler.start() # start the camera handling thread
133
134     def _handle_camera(self):
135         ''' Captures and pre-processes latest image from the camera stream. '''
136         while "running":
137             self._wait_until_needed()
138             # read the latest image from the camera
139             read_success, frame = self._cam.read()
140             if not read_success:
141                 raise Exception("Can't receive frame")
142
143             # perform initial processing on the image
144             if self.grayscale:
145                 frame = cv2.cvtColor(frame, cv2.COLOR_BGR2GRAY)
146                 tformed = self._screen.transform(frame)
147                 self._frame = cv2.GaussianBlur(tformed, (5,5), 0).astype(np.float32)
148
149             self._inform_image_ready()
150
151     def _wait_until_needed(self):
152         ''' Wait for main to request the next image. '''
153         self._lock2.acquire() # wait until previous image has been received
154         self._lock1.acquire() # wait until next image is desired
155         self._lock2.release() # inform camera is taking image
156
157     def _inform_image_ready(self):
158         ''' Inform main that next image is available. '''
159         self._lock1.release() # inform next image is ready
160
161     def _get_latest_image(self):
162         ''' Ask camera handler for next image. '''
163         self._lock1.release() # inform next image is desired
164         self._lock2.acquire() # wait until camera is taking image
165
166     def _wait_for_camera_image(self):
167         ''' Wait until next image is available. '''
168         self._lock1.acquire() # wait until next image is ready
169         self._lock2.release() # inform image has been received
170
171     def _run_loop(self, debug=False):
172         ''' Internal loop for updating mouse position. '''
173         # retrieve the latest image in a separate thread
174         self._get_latest_image()
175         # while generating a reference image in this one
176         ref_img = self._get_ref_img()
177         self._wait_for_camera_image()
178         # combine latest image with its reference

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179     removed_bg = cv2.GaussianBlur(self._frame - ref_img, (5,5), 0)
180     # imadjust (negative) min to 0
181     process = imadjust(removed_bg, high_out=removed_bg.max())
182
183     # only ever used manually
184     if debug:
185         cv2.imshow('new', new.astype(np.uint8))
186         cv2.imshow('ref', imadjust(ref_img).astype(np.uint8))
187         cv2.imshow('light', self._ref_light.astype(np.uint8))
188         cv2.imshow('process', process.astype(np.uint8))
189         print('n:', new.min(), new.max(), 'r:', ref_img.min(), ref_img.max(),
190               'l:', self._ref_light.min(), self._ref_light.max(),
191               'p:', process.min(), process.max())
192
193     # make and register a measurement
194     self._detector.detect_interaction(process)
195     self._predict() # estimate the current position
196
197     if self._testing:
198         # run this function again after self._delay ms
199         self._GUI._root.after(self._delay, self._run_loop)
200     # else loop run externally to avoid overloading call stack
201
202 def _predict(self):
203     ''' Makes a prediction — if valid moves mouse there. '''
204     position = self._detector.predict()
205     if position is not None:
206         position = position.reshape(-1)[:2]
207         # shift mouse position into valid range (scale to shift points from
208         # downsampled positions, and offset to avoid edges)
209         mouse_pos = self._position_to_mouse(position)
210
211     if mouse_pos is None:
212         return
213
214     # put the new position in the mouse—move queue
215     self._queue.put(mouse_pos)
216     if self._testing:
217         # track the position for analysis
218         self._points.append([*mouse_pos, time()])
219         # draw the new position on the canvas
220         self._GUI.draw_line(*mouse_pos)
221     else:
222         self._points = [mouse_pos]
223
224 def _position_to_mouse(self, position):
225     ''' Returns a valid mouse_position given the latest predicted position.
226

```

```

227     Ensures points are within the desired boundary
228
229     self._position_to_mouse(np.array[float(x2)]) -> np.array[float(x2)]
230
231     '',
232
233     mouse_pos = position * self._mouse_gain + self._mouse_offset
234     if Edge.is_out_of_bounds(mouse_pos, self._boundaries):
235         _, mouse_pos = Edge.get_path_interesection(
236             [*mouse_pos, *self._points[-1][:2]], self._boundary_lines,
237             position=True)
238
239     return mouse_pos
240
241
242     def _connect(self, camera_id):
243         ''' Connect to the specified camera. '''
244         first = True
245         while first or not self._cam.isOpened():
246             if first:
247                 # use expected camera id this time
248                 first = False
249             else:
250                 print('Invalid Camera ID:', camera_id)
251                 camera_id = input('Camera ID: ')
252
253                 self._cam = cv2.VideoCapture(camera_id)
254
255                 if cv2.waitKey(1) == ord('q'):
256                     print('Application quit by user')
257                     return False
258
259             return True
260
261     def _calib_wait(self):
262         ''' Wait for the user to begin the calibration. '''
263         print('press c to begin calibration')
264         while 'not started':
265             key = cv2.waitKey(1)
266             if key == ord('c'):
267                 break # waiting done
268             elif key == ord('q'):
269                 return False # user quit
270
271             read_success, frame = self._cam.read()
272             if read_success:
273                 cv2.imshow('calibration', frame)
274             else:
275                 print('failure')
276
277         return True

```

```

275
276     def _set_ref_lighting(self):
277         ''' Set the reference image for lighting subtraction. '''
278         self._GUI._fullscreen_gui()
279         # make the screen black to see background lighting
280         self._GUI._root.config(bg='black')
281         self._GUI._update_projection()
282         read_success, ref_img = self._cam.read()
283         if read_success:
284             self._ref_light = cv2.GaussianBlur(self._screen.transform(ref_img),
285                                              (5,5), 0).astype(np.float32)
286         else:
287             raise Exception('Lighting reference image unable to be taken - \
288                             'check camera connection')
289
290     def _get_ref_img(self):
291         ''' Get the latest reference image using the screen and lighting. '''
292         width, height = self._screen.resolution * self._screen.downsample
293         monitor = {'top':0, 'left':0, 'width':width, 'height':height}
294         with mss() as sct:
295             #mouse_pos = device.position()
296             img = np.array(sct.grab(monitor), dtype=np.float32)
297
298             #self._add_cursor(img, *mouse_pos)
299
300             # convert colour as appropriate
301             if self.grayscale and not self.light_ref:
302                 img = cv2.cvtColor(img, cv2.COLOR_BGRA2GRAY)
303             else:
304                 img = cv2.cvtColor(img, cv2.COLOR_BGRA2BGR)
305
306             # resize with automatic antialiasing low pass filtering
307             fx, fy = self._screen.resolution / img.shape[1::-1]
308             # only re-size if actually changing size
309             if fx != 1 or fy != 1:
310                 img = cv2.resize(img, (0,0), fx=fx, fy=fy,
311                                 interpolation=cv2.INTER_AREA)
312             if self.light_ref:
313                 img += self._ref_light
314             if self.grayscale:
315                 img = cv2.cvtColor(img, cv2.COLOR_BGR2GRAY)
316
317     return img
318
319     def _add_cursor(self, img, x, y):
320         ''' Adds the cursor to the provided screenshot image. '''
321         # crop cursor image to within the screen
322         x_subi, y_subi, x_addi, y_addi = self._GUI.cursor_info
323         x_sub = min(x_subi, x)

```

```

323     y_sub = min(y_subi, y)
324     xm, ym = img.shape[:2]
325     xp, yp = xm - x, ym - y
326     x_add = min(x_addi, xp)
327     y_add = min(y_addi, yp)
328
329     cursor_img = self._GUI.cursor_img[y_subi-y_sub:y_subi+y_add,
330                                         x_subi-x_sub:x_subi+x_add]
331     # add cursor to img using complementary alpha-channel information
332     alpha = np.repeat((cursor_img[:, :, 3] / 255.0).reshape(
333                         *cursor_img.shape[:2], 1), 3, axis=2)
334
335     img[y-y_sub:y+y_add, x-x_sub:x+x_add, :3] = alpha*cursor_img[:, :, :3] + \
336         (1.0 - alpha) * img[y-y_sub:y+y_add, x-x_sub:x+x_add, :3]
337
338 def _move_mouse(self):
339     ''' Receives continual instructions from the main thread for where to
340         move the mouse.
341     '''
342     while 'still useful':
343         device.moveTo(*self._queue.get())
344
345 if __name__ == '__main__':
346     import argparse
347     parser = argparse.ArgumentParser(
348         description='control the mouse using a laser-pointer')
349     parser.add_argument('--NC', '--noCompensation', action='store_true',
350                         help='disable Kalman compensation')
351     parser.add_argument('--i', '--cameraID', default=0, help='camera ID',
352                         type=int)
353     parser.add_argument('--c', '--colour', help='laser colour', default='g',
354                         choices=['g', 'r'])
355     parser.add_argument('--d', '--downsample', help='downsample screen by',
356                         type=int, default=4)
357     parser.add_argument('--NL', '--noLightRef', action='store_true',
358                         help='disable removing background lighting')
359     parser.add_argument('--t', '--testing', help='use test mode',
360                         action='store_true')
361     parser.add_argument('--u', '--user', help='the user testing the system',
362                         default='me')
363     parser.add_argument('--D', '--delay', default=0, type=int, help='ms delay' +
364                         ' added between processing frames while testing')
365     args = parser.parse_args()
366
367     C = Controller(args.colour, compensation=not args.noCompensation,
368                   light_ref=not args.noLightRef, user=args.user,
369                   delay=args.delay, testing=args.testing)
370     C.run(args.cameraID, args.downsample)

```

Appendix B

Calibration and Testing Code

Listing 2: Code for calibrating and testing the interaction detection system

```
1 #!/usr/bin/env python3
2
3 from sys import platform # OS handling
4 from time import sleep   # efficient waiting
5 from screen import *     # Screen, np, cv2, device, Edge
6 import tkinter as tk      # GUI components
7
8 class GUI(object):
9     ''' A class for managing the GUI used for calibration and testing. '''
10    def __init__(self):
11        ''' Create the GUI instance. '''
12        self._root = tk.Tk()
13        self._root.config(bg='black')
14    def _fullscreen_gui(self):
15        ''' Make the GUI full-screen, and bring into focus. '''
16        self._root.deiconify()
17        self._root.attributes('-fullscreen', True)
18        self._canvas.focus_force() # bring into focus
19
20    def _create_canvas(self):
21        ''' Create the canvas element for display control. '''
22        width, height = self.resolution = Screen.get_resolution()
23        self._canvas = tk.Canvas(master=self._root, width=width, height=height,
24                                bg='black', highlightthickness=0,
25                                cursor='none')#self._cursor)
26
27        # set up binds to enable user to quit
28        self._canvas.bind('<Key>', self.key)
29        self._canvas.bind('<Escape>', lambda e: exit_with_message())
30
31        self._canvas.pack(fill=tk.BOTH, expand=True) # fill space available
32        self._canvas_lines = []
33
34    def _calibration_setup(self):
```

```

35     ''' Perform relevant setup for the calibration. '''
36     # ensure full-screen works
37     self._root.overrideredirect(True)
38     self._root.overrideredirect(False)
39
40     self._create_canvas()
41
42     # create a resizable window for displaying calibration results
43     cv2.namedWindow('calibration', cv2.WINDOW_NORMAL)
44     cv2.moveWindow('calibration', 0, 20)
45
46 def calibrate(self, cam, downsample):
47     ''' Calibrate the specified camera using the GUI as a known screen. '''
48     print('Beginning Calibration')
49     self._calibration_setup()
50
51     while 'not calibrated':
52         print('attempting to calibrate')
53         self._fullscreen_gui()
54
55         # take a background image
56         self._canvas.config(bg='black')
57         self._update_projection()
58         bg_success, bg = cam.read()
59         bg = bg.astype(np.int64) # allow for negatives in subtraction
60
61         # take an image with the screen white
62         self._canvas.config(bg='white')
63         self._update_projection()
64         frame_success, frame = cam.read()
65
66         if not (frame_success or bg_success):
67             print("Can't receive frame (stream end?)")
68             return False, None
69
70     try:
71         image = frame - bg
72         image[image < 0] = 0
73         points = Screen.points_from_img(np.uint8(image), colour='W')
74     except Exception as e:
75         print('calibration failed:', e)
76         continue
77
78     screen = Screen(points, resolution=self.resolution,
79                      downsample=downsample)
80
81     # adjust the calibration to improve accuracy
82     try:

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83     key = self._display_calibration(frame, screen)
84     if key == ord('c'):
85         cv2.destroyAllWindows('calibration') # cleanup
86     return True, screen
87     elif key == ord('q'):
88         exit_with_message('User quit application')
89     except Exception as e:
90         print('Adjusting failed. Retrying...')
91         continue
92     def _display_calibration(self, display_frame, screen):
93         ''' Displays the detected screen location on the display_frame. '''
94         self._root.withdraw()
95         cv2.polyline(display_frame, np.int32([screen._points]), True,
96                      (255,0,0), 2)
97         cv2.imshow('calibration', display_frame)
98         return cv2.waitKey(0)
99
100    def draw_maze(self, laser_colour):
101        ''' Draw a maze on the screen for testing purposes. '''
102        self._fullscreen_gui()
103        self._root.config(bg='black')
104        width, height = self.resolution
105        self._canvas.config(bg='#333333')
106
107        self._lines = np.array([[0,0,4,0],
108                               [0,1,0,5],
109                               [0,5,4,5],
110                               [1,0,1,4],
111                               [1,4,3,4],
112                               [2,1,2,3],
113                               [2,3,4,3],
114                               [3,0,3,2],
115                               [4,1,4,5]])
116        scale = 0.9 * min(width, height)/10
117        offset = (np.array([width, height]) - (np.array([4,5]) * scale)) / 2
118        offset = np.array(list(offset) * 2)
119        self._lines = list(self._lines * scale + offset)
120        self._maze_scale = scale
121
122        self._maze_regions = {'start_':[0,1,0,1],
123                             't0_1':[0,1,1,4],
124                             't90_1':[0,1,4,5],
125                             't0_2':[1,3,4,5],
126                             't180_1':[3,4,3,5],
127                             't0_3':[2,3,3,4],
128                             't90_2':[1,2,3,4],
129                             't0_4':[1,2,1,3],
130                             't180_2':[1,3,0,1],

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131                               't0_5':[2,3,1,2],
132                               't180_3':[2,4,2,3],
133                               't0_6':[3,4,1,2],
134                               'end_':[3,4,0,1]}
135 offset = offset.reshape((2,2)).T.reshape(-1)
136 for region in self._maze_regions:
137     self._maze_regions[region] = \
138         list(np.array(self._maze_regions[region]) * scale + offset)
139
140 if laser.colour == 'r':
141     fill = 'green'
142 else:
143     fill = 'red'
144
145 for line in self._lines:
146     self._canvas.create_line(*line, width=5, fill=fill)
147 self._update_projection()
148
149 device.moveTo(20,20)
150 self._prev = [20,20]
151
152 def draw_line(self, mouse_pos, y=None):
153     ''' Draw a line following the mouse position. (callback function) '''
154     if not y is None:
155         new = [mouse_pos, y] # [x,y]
156     else:
157         new = [mouse_pos.x, mouse_pos.y]
158     self._canvas_lines.append(self._canvas.create_line(*(self._prev + new),
159                                         width=3, fill='blue'))
160
161     if len(self._canvas_lines) > 20:
162         self._canvas.delete(self._canvas_lines.pop(0))
163
164     self._prev = new
165     self._root.update()
166
167 def key(self, event):
168     ''' Key-press callback: quit on 'q'. '''
169     #print('key event:', event)
170     if event.char == 'q':
171         self._root.destroy()
172         sleep(0.3)
173         exit_with_message()
174
175 def _update_projection(self, wait=0.5):
176     ''' Wait for the projector to update. '''
177     self._root.update()
178     for i in range(5):

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179     sleep(wait/5)
180     self._root.update()
181
182
183 def exit_with_message(msg='User quit application.', retval=0):
184     ''' Prints message and exits with code retval. '''
185     print(msg + ' Exiting...')
186     exit(retval)
```

Appendix C

Screen Detection Code

Listing 3: Screen Detection Implementation

```
1 #!/usr/bin/env python3
2
3 import cv2
4 import numpy as np
5 from Edge2 import Edge
6 import pyautogui as device # used for screen resolution
7
8 class Screen(object):
9     ''' A class for tracking a physical screen display. '''
10    def __init__(self, image_points, resolution=None, downsample=4):
11        ''' Creates a Screen object from 'image_points'.
12
13        'points' is a list of points in clockwise order from the top left
14        e.g. [[top_left], [top_right], [bottom_right], [bottom_left]].
15        'resolution' is the resolution of the screen, used for mapping.
16        If left as None, resolution is determined as the computer's
17        resolution.
18        'downsample' is the amount to downsample the screen's resolution by
19        in the transform from image to screen. Defaults to 4 if not set.
20
21    Constructor: Screen(np.array[[int(x2)](x4)], [int,int])
22
23    '''
24    self.downsample = downsample
25    self._points = np.array(image_points, dtype=np.float32)
26
27    # automatically determine (downsampled) screen resolution
28    if resolution is None:
29        resolution = self.get_resolution(downsample)
30    elif downsample is not None:
31        resolution = resolution // downsample # replace w/ downsampled copy
32    self.resolution = resolution
33
34    width, height = np.array(resolution) - 1
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35     self._dst_points = np.array([[0, 0], [width, 0],
36                                 [width, height], [0, height]],
37                                 dtype=np.float32)
38     self._inverse_transform = np.matrix(cv2.getPerspectiveTransform(
39         self._dst_points, self._points))
40
41 def transform(self, img, display=False):
42     ''' Returns the transformation result, from sampling 'img' using
43         the internal transform, which maps to a downsampled view of the
44         screen.
45     '''
46
47     # transform already inverted, so no need for warpPerspective to invert
48     transformed = cv2.warpPerspective(img, self._inverse_transform,
49         tuple(self.resolution), flags=cv2.INTER_LINEAR+\
50             cv2.WARP_FILL_OUTLIERS+cv2.WARP_INVERSE_MAP)
51
52     if display:
53         cv2.imshow('transformed', transformed)
54         print('press any key to continue')
55         cv2.waitKey(0)
56
57     return transformed
58
59 def recalibrate(self, measured_pts, expected_pts):
60     ''' Adjusts the stored defining points and transform using the mapping
61         between the measured and expected points.
62
63         'measured_pts' should be from an image pre-transformed with the
64         current screen transform.
65     '''
66     adjustment = cv2.getPerspectiveTransform(np.float32(expected_pts),
67                                              np.float32(measured_pts))
68     self._inverse_transform *= adjustment
69     self._points = self.transform_pts(self._dst_points,
70                                     self._inverse_transform)
71
72 @staticmethod
73 def transform_pts(pts, M):
74     ''' Returns 2D pts transformed by transformation matrix M.
75
76     Screen.transform_pts(np.arr[[float(x2)](xN)],
77                           np.matrix[[float(x3)](x3)])
78     → np.arr[[float(x2)](xN)]
79
80     '''
81     in_pts = np.ones((3, len(pts)))
82     in_pts[:2] = pts.T

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83     out_pts = M * in_pts
84     out_pts = (out_pts[:2] / out_pts[2]).T
85     return out_pts
86
87 @classmethod
88 def points_from_img(cls, img, colour=None, display=False):
89     ''' Returns the corner points for a detected screen in 'img'.
90
91     'img' is an image as returned from cv2.imread.
92     'colour' is the colour of the screen being detected ('R', 'G', 'B', 'W').
93         If left as None, the screen is assumed to be white.
94     'display' is a boolean flag specifying if the detected screen corners
95         should be displayed on 'img'.
96
97     cls.points_from_img(np.arr[arr[int](x3)], str)
98             -> np.arr[arr[int(x2)](x4)]
99
100    ...
101    blur = cv2.GaussianBlur(img, (5,5), 0)
102    if len(img.shape) == 3 and img.shape[2] == 4:
103        blur = cv2.cvtColor(blur, cv2.COLOR_BGRA2BGR)
104
105    if len(img.shape) < 3 or img.shape[2] == 1:
106        grey = img
107    elif colour is None or colour == 'W':
108        grey = cv2.cvtColor(blur, cv2.COLOR_BGR2GRAY)
109    else:
110        B,G,R = cv2.split(blur)
111        if colour == 'R':
112            grey = R
113        elif colour == 'B':
114            grey = B
115        elif colour == 'G':
116            grey = G
117        else:
118            raise Exception('Invalid colour: ' + str(colour))
119
120    edges = cls._process(grey)
121    lines = cls._get_screen_lines(edges)
122
123    if display: # display detected edges
124        edges2 = cv2.merge([edges]*3) # convert to colour image
125        for line in lines:
126            # add lines to image
127            p1, p2 = np.array(line.reshape((2,2)), dtype=int)
128            cv2.line(edges2, tuple(p1), tuple(p2), (255,0,0), 2)
129        cv2.imshow('lines', edges2)
130        if cv2.waitKey(0) == ord('q'): # wait for user to continue or quit

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131         exit()
132
133     points = cls._get_screen_points(lines)
134
135     if display and points: # display detected points and screen polygon
136         cv2.polylines(blur,np.int32([points]),True,(0,0,255),2)
137         for point in points.T:
138             blur[point[0],point[1]] = [0,0,255]
139         cv2.imshow('lines', blur)
140         cv2.waitKey(1) # show to the display
141
142     return points
143
144 @classmethod
145 def _process(cls, grey, canny_lower=0, canny_upper=100, canny_aperture=3):
146     ''' Performs pre-processing on the provided greyscale image.
147
148     cls._process(np.arr[arr[int]]) → np.arr[arr[int]]
149
150     '''
151
152     # Otsu binarisation (threshold assuming bimodal intensity histogram)
153     th, bw = cv2.threshold(grey,0,255,cv2.THRESH_BINARY+cv2.THRESH_OTSU)
154
155     # Canny edge detection
156     edges = cv2.Canny(bw, canny_lower, canny_upper,
157                         apertureSize=canny_aperture)
158
159     return edges
160
161
162 @staticmethod
163 def _get_screen_lines(edges, col_thresh=5, dist_thresh=0):
164     ''' Gets the bounding lines of the screen in the 'edges' image.
165
166     'col_thresh' is a collinearity threshold (angle in degrees) for
167     combining similar lines in the image.
168     'dist_thresh' is a minimum distance threshold (in pixels) for combining
169     similar lines in the image.
170
171     Screen._get_screen_lines(np.arr[arr[int]], *float, *float)
172         → arr[arr[int(x2)](x4)]
173
174     '''
175
176     ymax, xmax = edges.shape[:2] # get height, width
177     # detect lines in the image
178     lines = cv2.HoughLinesP(edges, 1, np.pi/180, 100, minLineLength=50,
179                             maxLineGap=50).reshape((-1,4))
180
181     # scale lines to the image boundaries
182     boundaries = [0,xmax,0,ymax]
183     for ind, line in enumerate(lines):
184         lines[ind] = Edge.scale_to_boundaries(line, boundaries)

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179
180     # combine lines that are too similar (assumed to be the same line)
181     return Edge.reduce_lines(np.array(lines), col_thresh=col_thresh,
182                             dist_thresh=dist_thresh)
183
184     @staticmethod
185     def _get_screen_points(lines):
186         ''' Returns the 4 corner points detected at 'lines' intersections.
187
188         If lines intersect in fewer than 4 places, returns None.
189         If lines intersect in more than 4 places, k-means clustering is used
190             to attempt to determine the 4 corner points.
191
192         Screen._get_screen_points(np.arr[arr[float(x4)]]) -> arr[arr[float(x2)]]
193
194         ...
195
196         ip = Edge.get_intersections(lines, positions=True)
197         # extract points from intersections' (ip[0]) positions (ip[1:3])
198         points = np.array(Edge.get_intersection_points(ip[1:3], ip[0]),
199                           dtype=np.float32)
200
201         # check if detected points are valid (>=4 -> 4, <4 -> invalid)
202         if len(points) > 4:
203             # use k-means clustering to find 4 most likely points
204             criteria = (0, 10, 1.0)
205             _, _, points=cv2.kmeans(points, 4, None, criteria, 10,
206                                     cv2.KMEANS_RANDOM_CENTERS)
207         elif len(points) < 4:
208             raise Exception('Insufficient points to detect screen')
209
210         # order points consistently
211         X, Y = np.array(points.T)
212         for i in range(4):
213             x,y = X[i], Y[i]
214             point = np.array([x,y])
215             if x < X.mean():
216                 if y < Y.mean():
217                     points[0] = point
218                 else:
219                     points[3] = point
220             else:
221                 if y < Y.mean():
222                     points[1] = point
223                 else:
224                     points[2] = point
225
226     @staticmethod

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227 def get_resolution(downsampling=1):
228     ''' Returns the resolution of the screen – optionally downsampled. '''
229     return np.array(device.size()) // downsample
230
231
232 if __name__ == '__main__':
233     # test script for detecting a screen
234     import tkinter as tk
235     from time import sleep
236     width, height = device.size()
237     root = tk.Tk()
238     root.geometry('{0}x{1}'.format(width, height))
239     root.overrideredirect(True) # allow true fullscreen
240     root.overrideredirect(False) # restore normal shortcuts
241     def fullscreen():
242         #root.config(bg='white')
243         root.update()
244         root.deiconify()
245         root.attributes('-fullscreen', True, '-topmost', True)
246         root.focus_force() # bring into focus
247     cap = cv2.VideoCapture(0)
248     if not cap.isOpened():
249         print('cannot open camera')
250         exit()
251     try:
252         while cv2.waitKey(1) != ord('c'):
253             success, frame = cap.read()
254             if success:
255                 cv2.imshow('frame', frame)
256             else:
257                 print('failure')
258                 cv2.imwrite('proj.png', frame)
259                 #while cv2.waitKey(1) != ord('c'): pass
260
261         while cv2.waitKey(0) & 0xFF != ord('q'):
262             # capture frame-by-frame
263             fullscreen()
264             sleep(0.3)
265             read_success, frame = cap.read()
266             if not read_success:
267                 print("Can't receive frame (stream end?). Exiting...")
268                 break
269             root.withdraw()
270
271             # operate on the frame
272             try:
273                 sc = Screen(Screen.points_from_img(frame, colour='W'))
274                 cv2.polylines(frame, np.int32([sc.points]), True, (0, 0, 255), 2)

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275     except Exception:  
276         pass  
277         # display the result  
278         cv2.imshow('frame', frame)  
279     finally:  
280         # done, so release the capture  
281         cap.release()  
282         cv2.destroyAllWindows()
```

Appendix D

Edge Processing Code

Listing 4: Edge Processing Module

```
1 #!/usr/bin/env python3
2 ######
3 #          #
4 # Edge module, for lines and edges.      #
5 # Author: ES Alexander                  #
6 # Date: 6 Apr 2019                      #
7 # Last Modified: 14 Oct 2019             #
8 #          #
9 #####
10 import numpy as np
11 from sys import float_info
12 epsilon = float_info.epsilon
13
14 class Edge(object):
15     ''' A class for edge extraction and processing. '''
16     @staticmethod
17     def is_point(line):
18         ''' Returns true if the specified line is in fact a point.
19
20         'line' is a line segment of form [x0,y0,x1,y1].
21
22         Edge.is_point(np.array[float(x4)]) -> bool
23
24         '''
25         x0,y0,x1,y1 = line
26         return x0 == x1 and y0 == y1
27
28     @staticmethod
29     def get_line_points(lines, *indices):
30         ''' Returns a vector of points found in lines[indices] as [X,Y].
31
32         Points are maintained in the order they appear in the relevant lines.
33
34         'lines' is a vector of line segments in form [X0,Y0,X1,Y1].
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35     'indices' is a vector of indices with max(indices) < len(lines).
36
37     Edge.get_line_points(np.arr[[float(x4)]], *int) -> arr[[float(x2)]]
38
39     ...
40
41     return lines[np.array(indices)].reshape(-1,2)
42
43 @staticmethod
44 def get_path_lines(path, closed=False):
45     ''' Returns a vector of line segments traced by path, as [X0,Y0,X1,Y1].
46
47     'path' is a vector of points in form [X0,Y0].
48     'closed' is a boolean specifying if the path is closed – if True,
49         creates a line segment from the last to the first point in 'path'.
50
51     Edge.get_path_lines(np.arr[[float(x2)]], *bool) -> arr[[float(x4)]]
52
53     ...
54
55     lines = np.roll(path.repeat(2, axis=0), 1, axis=0).reshape((-1,4))
56     if not closed:
57         lines = lines[1:]
58     return lines
59
60 @classmethod
61 def get_rect_lines(cls, rect):
62     ''' Returns the lines that make up the rectangle 'rect'.
63
64     'rect' is of the form [xmin, xmax, ymin, ymax].
65
66     ...
67
68     xmin, xmax, ymin, ymax = rect
69     points = np.array([[xmin, ymin], [xmax, ymin], [xmax, ymax], [xmin, ymax]])
70     return cls.get_path_lines(points, closed=True)
71
72 @classmethod
73 def get_path_interesection(cls, line, path_lines, position=False,
74                             angle=False):
75     ''' Returns True if line intersects with path_lines.
76
77     'line' is of form [x0,y0,x1,y1].
78     'path_lines' is of form [X0, Y0, X1, Y1].
79     'position' is a boolean specifier determining if the position of a
80         detected intersection point is returned.
81     'angle' is a boolean specifier determining if the angle of a detected
82         intersection between line and a path_line is returned.

```

```

83     cls.get_path_interesection(np.arr[float(x4)], np.arr[[float(x4)]],
84                                 *bool, *bool)
85
86     ...
87     for path_line in path_lines:
88         output = cls.get_intersections(np.array([path_line, line]),
89                                         dist_thresh=1,
90                                         angles=angle, positions=position)
91         intersection = output[0,0,1]
92         if not intersection:
93             continue
94         if angle:
95             i_angle = output[1,0,1]
96             if position:
97                 i_pos = output[2:,0,1]
98                 return True, i_angle, i_pos
99             return True, i_angle
100        elif position:
101            return True, output[1:,0,1]
102        return True
103    if angle and position:
104        return False, None, None
105    if angle or position:
106        return False, None
107    return False
108
109 @staticmethod
110 def get_path_length(path_points):
111     ''' Returns the length of the path specified by path_points.
112
113     'path_points' is an array of points, in form [[x0,x1,...,xn],...].
114
115     Edge.get_path_length(np.arr[np.arr[float]]) -> float
116
117     ...
118
119     return np.sqrt((np.diff(path_points, axis=0) ** 2).sum(axis=1)).sum()
120
121 @staticmethod
122 def distsq(p0, p1):
123     ''' Returns the squared Euclidian distance between p0 and p1.
124
125     'p0' and 'p1' are points of form [x1,x2,...,xn], of same order.
126
127     Edge.distsq(list[float], list[float]) -> float
128
129     ...
130
131     return sum((p1 - p0)**2)
132
133

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131 @classmethod
132 def get_line(cls, points):
133     ''' Returns a joined line segment covering the given points.
134
135     Assumes the points are reasonably collinear and joins those furthest
136     apart.
137
138     'points' is an array of points in form [X,Y].
139
140     cls.get_line(np.arr[[float(x2)]]) -> arr[float(x4)]
141
142     '''
143     num_points = len(points)
144     max_dist = 0
145     im = 0; jm = 0;
146     for i in range(num_points):
147         for j in range(i+1, num_points):
148             new_dist = cls.distsq(points[i], points[j])
149             if new_dist > max_dist:
150                 max_dist = new_dist
151                 im = i; jm = j
152     return np.array([points[im], points[jm]]).reshape(4)
153
154 @staticmethod
155 def equal_lines(line0, line1):
156     ''' Returns True if line0 and line1 are equivalent, else False.
157
158     'line0' and 'line1' are line segments of form [x0,y0,x1,y1].
159
160     Edge.equal_lines(np.arr[float(x4)], np.arr[float(x4)]) -> bool
161
162     '''
163     # break line segments into constituent points
164     p0, p1 = line0.reshape((2,2))
165     p0 = list(p0); p1 = list(p1)
166     p2, p3 = line1.reshape((2,2))
167     p2 = list(p2); p3 = list(p3)
168     # compare in both directions
169     return (p0 == p2 and p1 == p3) or (p0 == p3 and p1 == p2)
170
171 @classmethod
172 def add_new_lines(cls, lines, *extra_lines):
173     ''' Returns lines with any additional extra_lines not already present.
174
175     'lines' is a vector of line segments in form [X0,Y0,X1,Y1].
176     'extra_lines' is an unspecified number of additional lines to add.
177
178     cls.add_new_lines(np.arr[arr[float(x4)]], *arr[float(x4)])

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```

179             -> arr[arr[float(x4)]]
180
181     """
182     new_lines = np.array(lines)
183     for query_line in extra_lines:
184         duplicate = False
185         for existing_line in new_lines:
186             if cls.equal_lines(existing_line, query_line):
187                 duplicate = True
188                 break
189         if not duplicate:
190             # genuine new line, add to list
191             if new_lines.size > 0:
192                 new_lines = np.r_[new_lines, [query_line]]
193             else:
194                 new_lines = np.array([query_line])
195     return new_lines
196
197 @staticmethod
198 def duplicate_point(points):
199     """ Returns true if points contains multiples of one or more points.
200
201     'points' is a list of points in form [X,Y].
202
203     Edge.duplicate_point(list[list[float]]) -> bool
204
205     """
206     return len(set(tuple(point) for point in points)) != len(points)
207
208 @staticmethod
209 def line_angle(line, degrees=True):
210     """ Returns the angle of 'line' with respect to the positive x-axis.
211
212     Edge.line_angle(np.arr[float(x4)]) -> float
213
214     """
215     x0,y0,x1,y1 = line
216     angle = np.arctan2(y1-y0, x1-x0)
217     if degrees:
218         return np.degrees(angle)
219     return angle
220
221 @classmethod
222 def angle_between_lines(cls, line0, line1):
223     """ Returns the angle (degrees) between the given lines.
224
225     cls.angle_between_lines(np.arr[float(x4)], np.arr[float(x4)]) -> float
226

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227     '',
228     return cls.line_angle(line1) - cls.line_angle(line0)
229
230     @classmethod
231     def dist_point_to_segment(cls, p0,p1,p2,positions=False):
232         r''' Returns the closest distance from point p0 to segment p1-p2.
233
234         'p0','p1','p2' are points of form [x,y].
235         'positions' is a boolean specifier which, if True, appends the
236             approximate point of intersection to the return value.
237
238         Algorithm from:
239         "https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Distance_from_a_point_to_a_line"
240
241         cls.dist_point_to_segment(np.arr[float(x2)], arr[float(x2)],
242                                 arr[float(x2)], *bool)
243                                 → float, *arr[float(x2)]
244
245     ''
246
247     d01sq = cls.distsq(p0,p1); d01 = np.sqrt(d01sq)
248     d02sq = cls.distsq(p0,p2); d02 = np.sqrt(d02sq)
249     d12sq = cls.distsq(p1,p2); d12 = np.sqrt(d12sq)
250
251     if d01 == 0 or d02 == 0:
252         # point on segment endpoint
253         if positions:
254             return 0, p0
255         return 0
256     elif d12 == 0:
257         # segment is a point
258         if positions:
259             return d01, (p0 + p1)/2
260         return d01
261     u = np.round((d01sq + d12sq - d02sq) / (2 * d01 * d12), 10)
262     if u <= 0:
263         if positions:
264             return d01, (p0 + p1)/2
265         return d01
266     elif d01 * u >= d12:
267         if positions:
268             return d02, (p0 + p2)/2
269         return d02
270     else:
271         dist = d01 * np.sqrt(1 - u**2)
272         if positions:
273             pdiff = p2 - p1 + epsilon
274             grad = pdiff[1]/pdiff[0]
275             p4 = p1 + np.array([1,grad]) * dist / np.sqrt(grad**2 + 1)

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275         return dist, (p0 + p4)/2
276     return dist
277
278     @classmethod
279     def min_dist_segments(cls, lines, position=False):
280         ''' Returns the minimum distance between the segments in 'lines'.
281
282         'positions' is a boolean specifier which, if True, appends the
283         approximate point of intersection to the return value.
284
285         cls.min_dist_segments(np.arr[arr[float(x2)]], *bool)
286             -> float, *arr[float(x2)]
287
288         ...
289
290         if position:
291             output = cls.get_intersections(lines, positions=True)
292             intersections = output[0]
293             positions = output[1:]
294         else:
295             intersections = cls.get_intersections(lines)
296
297         if np.abs(intersections).sum() == 2:
298             # segments intersect
299             if position:
300                 return 0, np.array([positions[0,0,1], positions[1,0,1]])
301             return 0
302
303         dist = np.Inf
304         pos = None
305         points = cls.get_line_points(lines, *range(len(lines)))
306         point_triples = np.array([[0,2,3],[1,2,3],[2,0,1],[3,0,1]])
307         for point in range(4):
308             ps = points[point_triples[point]]
309             if position:
310                 query_dist, query_pos = cls.dist_point_to_segment(*ps,
311                                         positions=True)
312             else:
313                 query_dist = cls.dist_point_to_segment(*ps)
314
315             if query_dist < dist:
316                 dist = query_dist
317                 if position:
318                     pos = query_pos
319
320         if position:
321             return dist, pos
322         return dist
323
324     @staticmethod
325     def offset_line(line, offset):
326         ''' Returns 'line' offset by 'offset'.

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323
324     'line' is a line segment of form [x0,y0,x1,y1].
325     'offset' is an [x,y] point which is added to 'line'.
326
327     Edge.offset_line(np.arr[float(x4)], arr[float(x2)]) → arr[float(x4)]
328
329     ...
330
331     return (line.reshape((2,2)) + offset).reshape(4)
332
333 @staticmethod
334 def get_intersection_points(positions, intersections):
335     ''' Extracts and returns a list of [X,Y] points from 'positions'.
336
337     'positions' is an output array from Edge.get_intersections.
338
339     Edge.get_intersection_points(np.arr[arr[arr[float(xN)](xN)](x2)],
340                                 np.arr[arr[float(xN)](xN)])
341                                 → arr[arr[float(x2)](xN)]
342
343     ...
344     X = positions[0]
345     Y = positions[1]
346     n = len(X)
347     points = []
348
349     for i in range(n):
350         for j in range(i+1, n):
351             if intersections[i,j]:
352                 points += [[X[i,j], Y[i,j]]]
353
354     return points
355
356 @staticmethod
357 def cross_orientation(a, b, c):
358     ''' Returns the orientation of the cross-product between points a,b,c.
359     Orientation is -1, 0, or +1.
360
361     'a', 'b', 'c' are [x,y] points, and have a 1 added for the cross product.
362
363     Edge.cross_orientation(np.arr[float(x2)], np.arr[float(x2)],
364                           np.arr[float(x2)]) → int
365
366     ...
367     ax, ay = a; bx, by = b; cx, cy = c
368     return np.sign(np.linalg.det([[bx,by],[cx, cy]]) - \
369                   np.linalg.det([[ax,ay],[cx, cy]]) + \
370                   np.linalg.det([[ax,ay],[bx, by]]))
371
372 @classmethod

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371     def line_intersection(cls, line0, line1):
372         ''' Returns True if line0 intersects line1, else False.
373         Returns -1 if line0 and line1 are collinear and intersect.
374
375         cls.test_intersection(np.array[float(x4)], np.array[float(x4)]) -> int
376
377         '''
378
379         p0, q0 = line0.reshape((2,2))
380         p1, q1 = line1.reshape((2,2))
381         ori_0p1 = cls.cross_orientation(p0, q0, p1)
382         ori_0q1 = cls.cross_orientation(p0, q0, q1)
383         ori_1p0 = cls.cross_orientation(p1, q1, p0)
384         ori_1q0 = cls.cross_orientation(p1, q1, q0)
385
386         if ori_0p1 == ori_0q1 == 0 or ori_1p0 == ori_1q0 == 0:
387             return -1 # collinear
388
389         return ori_0p1 != ori_0q1 and ori_1p0 != ori_1q0
390
391     @staticmethod
392     def bounding_box_overlap(line0, line1):
393         ''' Returns True if the bounding boxes of line0 and line1 intersect.
394         Returns False otherwise, indicating a collision is impossible.
395
396         Edge.bounding_box_overlap(np.array[float(x4)], np.array[float(x4)]) -> bool
397
398         '''
399
400         x00, y00, x01, y01 = line0
401         x10, y10, x11, y11 = line1
402         x0_min = min(x00, x01)
403         x0_max = max(x00, x01)
404         x1_min = min(x10, x11)
405         x1_max = max(x10, x11)
406         if x0_max < x1_min or x1_max < x0_min:
407             return False
408
409         y0_min = min(y00, y01)
410         y0_max = max(y00, y01)
411         y1_min = min(y10, y11)
412         y1_max = max(y10, y11)
413         if y0_max < y1_min or y1_max < y0_min:
414             return False
415
416     @classmethod
417     def get_intersections(cls, lines, dist_thresh=0, angles=False,
418                           positions=False, i_min=0, j_min=0, i_max=None,

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419             j_max=None):
420     ''' Returns a len(lines)*len(lines)*([1-4]) array of intersections.
421
422     Lines are considered not to be self-intersecting.
423
424     If lines[i] intersects lines[j] | i!=j, intersections[i,j] = 1, unless
425         the lines are collinear → intersections[i,j] = -1.
426         No intersection → intersections[i,j] = 0.
427
428     When positions are being returned, collinear intersections have their
429         position as the center of the overlapping region.
430
431     'lines' is a vector of line segments in form [X0,Y0,X1,Y1].
432     'dist_thresh' is the allowable distance between segments within which
433         an intersection is still registered.
434     'angles' is a boolean specifier determining if intersection angles are
435         included in the output matrix. (default False)
436     'positions' is a boolean specifier determining if intersection positions
437         are included in the output matrix. (default False)
438     'i_min' specifies which line to start from. (default 0)
439     'j_min' specifies which line to compare from. (default 0, but
440         internally set to min(j_max, i+1) for each line i)
441     'i_max' specifies which line to stop before. If left as None,
442         checks intersections for all the lines after i_min.
443     'j_max' specifies which line to stop comparing before. If left as None,
444         checks intersections for all the lines after max(j_min, i+1).
445
446     To determine intersections between lists lines_m and lines_n, use
447         Edge.get_intersections(np.array(lines_m+lines_n), j_min=m, i_max=m)
448
449     cls.get_intersections(np.array[np.arr[float]], *int, *bool, *bool,
450                         *int, *int, *int, *int)
451                         → np.arr[arr[float]],*arr[arr[float]],*arr[arr[float]]
452
453     ''
454     # initialise relevant state variables
455     l = len(lines)
456     intersections = np.zeros((l,l))
457     kwargs = {}
458     if angles:
459         r_angles = np.zeros((l,l))
460         kwargs['angles'] = r_angles
461     if positions:
462         r_positions = np.zeros((l,l,2))
463         kwargs['positions'] = r_positions
464     if i_max is None:
465         i_max = l
466     if j_max is None:

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467     j_max = 1
468
469     # iterate over the lines to check for intersection
470     for i in range(i_min, i_max):
471         for j in range(max(j_min, i+1), j_max):
472             if not dist_thresh and \
473                 not cls.bounding_box_overlap(*lines[[i,j]]):
474                 continue # intersection not possible
475
476             # extract a list of endpoints from the lines
477             points = np.array(cls.get_line_points(lines, i, j))
478
479             # check if the lines share an end-point
480             if cls.duplicate_point(points):
481                 intersections[i,j] = True
482                 if angles:
483                     r_angles[i,j] = cls.angle_between_lines(*lines[[i,j]])
484                 if positions:
485                     for p0 in range(2):
486                         for p1 in range(2,4):
487                             if (points[p0] - points[p1]).sum() == 0:
488                                 r_positions[i,j] = points[p0]
489                 continue # intersection handled
490
491             # check if the lines intersect
492             intersection = cls.line_intersection(*lines[[i,j]])
493             if not dist_thresh:
494                 if not intersection:
495                     continue # lines don't intersect
496
497             if positions:
498                 X, Y = points.T
499
500             if intersection < 0:
501                 intersections[i,j] = -1 # collinear
502                 if angles:
503                     r_angles[i,j] = 0
504                 if positions:
505                     indices = np.ones(X.shape, dtype=bool)
506                     if cls.line_angle(lines[i]) in [0., -180., 180.]:
507                         var = X
508                     else:
509                         var = Y
510                     indices[[np.argmin(var), np.argmax(var)]] = False
511                     points = points[indices]
512                     r_positions[i,j] = points.mean(axis=0)
513             elif intersection > 0:
514                 intersections[i,j] = 1 # standard intersection

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515     if angles:
516         r_angles[i,j] = cls.angle_between_lines(*lines[[i,j]])
517     if positions:
518         # basis transform
519         # set min x point of line i as origin
520         x_min_index = np.argmin(X[:2])
521         offset = points[x_min_index]
522         offset_points = points - offset
523         # set line to 1st/4th quadrant vector for angle calc
524         line = list(offset) + list(points[(x_min_index+1)%2])
525         # rotate lines so line i is along +ve x-axis
526         theta = -cls.line_angle(line, degrees=False)
527         sin_t = np.sin(theta); cos_t = np.cos(theta)
528         rot_mat = np.array([[cos_t, -sin_t],
529                             [sin_t, cos_t]])
530         X, Y = np.dot(rot_mat, offset_points.T)
531         x_temp = X[2] - Y[2] * (X[3] - X[2]) / (Y[3] - Y[2])
532         rot_mat *= [[1,-1],[-1,1]] # reverse rotation angle
533         point = np.dot(rot_mat, [x_temp,0]).T
534         r_positions[i,j] = point + offset
535     elif dist_thresh:
536         # check for pseudo-intersection (if enabled)
537         cls._pseudo_intersection(lines, i, j, intersections,
538                                  dist_thresh, **kwargs)
539
540     # convert from triangular to symmetric matrices for output
541     # diagonals all 0, so no need to halve
542     intersections += intersections.T
543     if angles:
544         r_angles += r_angles.T
545     if positions:
546         r_positions += r_positions.transpose((1,0,2))
547         # swap position axes to have x/y as first index, not row
548         r_positions = r_positions.swapaxes(0,2).swapaxes(1,2)
549
550     # generate output as selected by flags
551     depth = 1 + angles + 2*positions
552     output = np.zeros((depth,1,1))
553     output[0] = intersections
554     if angles:
555         output[1] = r_angles
556         if positions:
557             output[2:] = r_positions
558     elif positions:
559         output[1:] = r_positions
560
561 return output
562

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563     @classmethod
564     def get_joined_lines(cls, lines, col_thresh, dist_thresh):
565         ''' Returns the lines which can be joined with the given requirements.
566
567         Also returns a list of truth values over the indices of the inputted
568         lines, denoting whether or not they are involved in a line joining.
569
570         'lines' is a vector of line segments in form [X1,Y1,X2,Y2].
571         'col_thresh' is a collinearity threshold in degrees.
572
573             Intersecting lines with an angle of less than col_thresh between
574             them are joined together.
575
576         'dist_thresh' is a distance threshold in coordinate units, allowing
577             for pseudo-intersections to be detected if line-segments are within
578             dist_thresh of one another.
579
580
581     cls.get_joined_lines(list[list[int]], float, float)
582         -> (list[list[int]], list[bool])
583
584     ...
585
586     joined_lines = []    # storage for joined lines
587     l = len(lines)
588     # track lines which have been joined to others
589     joins = np.zeros(l, dtype=bool)
590
591     intersections, angles = cls.get_intersections(lines, dist_thresh,
592                                                 angles=True)
593
594     # iterate over lines
595     for i in range(l):
596         for j in range(i+1,l):
597             # if line i intersects with line j, and neither have already
598             # been joined to another line,
599             if intersections[i,j] and not joins[i] and not joins[j]:
600                 angle = angles[i,j]
601
602                 # if lines are collinear within desired tolerance
603                 if abs(angle) <= col_thresh or \
604                     abs(180 - angle) <= col_thresh:
605                     # lines are approximately collinear
606                     # -> (add both to joins list)
607                     joins[i] = joins[j] = True
608
609                     # get points of lines
610                     points = cls.get_line_points(lines, i, j)
611                     # determine endpoints of joined line
612                     new_line = cls.get_line(points)
613                     # add the new line to the list
614                     joined_lines = cls.add_new_lines(joined_lines,
615                                         new_line)

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611
612     return joined_lines, joins
613
614     @classmethod
615     def reduce_lines(cls, lines, col_thresh, min_changes=0, dist_thresh=0,
616                      stability_thresh=0):
617         ''' Returns the reduced lines based on the inputted minimum collinearity
618             and number of changes between iterations.
619
620         'lines' is a vector of line segments in form [X1,Y1,X2,Y2].
621         'col_thresh' is a collinearity threshold in degrees.
622             Intersecting lines with an angle of less than col_thresh between
623             them are reduced to single lines
624         'min_changes' is an optimisation threshold.
625             If less than min_changes occur after an optimisation, the
626             optimisation is stopped. (default 0)
627         'dist_thresh' is a distance threshold in coordinate units, allowing
628             for pseudo-intersections to be detected if line-segments are within
629             dist_thresh of one another. (default 0)
630         'stability_thresh' is a stability threshold for consecutive runs of
631             less than min_changes changes. (default 0)
632
633     cls.reduce_lines(np.arr[arr[float(x4)]], float, int, float, int)
634             → arr[arr[float(x4)]]
635
636     ...
637
638     # count the number of times min_changes has been reached
639     min_count = 0
640
641     while min_count <= stability_thresh:
642         l = len(lines)
643         # get all lines that can be joined together
644         new_lines, joins = cls.get_joined_lines(lines, col_thresh,
645                                               dist_thresh)
646         # add unjoined lines to new_lines (they're still valid)
647         new_lines = cls.add_new_lines(new_lines, *lines[np.invert(joins)])
648         num_changes = abs(l - len(new_lines))
649         lines = new_lines
650         if num_changes <= min_changes:
651             min_count += 1
652         else:
653             min_count = 0
654
655
656     return new_lines
657
658     @staticmethod
659     def is_out_of_bounds(query_point, boundaries):
660         ''' Returns True if the query point is outside the boundaries,

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659     else False.
660
661     'queryPoint' is an [x,y] coordinate
662     'boundaries' is a list of [xmin, xmax, ymin, ymax]
663         → NOTE: boundaries can be +/-Inf if only some are desired
664
665     Edge.is_out_of_bounds(np.arr[float(x4)], arr[float(x2)]) → bool
666
667     '',
668     x_min, x_max, y_min, y_max = boundaries
669     x_q, y_q = query_point
670     return not (x_min <= x_q <= x_max and y_min <= y_q <= y_max)
671
672 @classmethod
673 def scale_lines(cls, lines, scale_factor, boundaries=[-np.Inf,np.Inf]*2):
674     ''' Returns 'lines' scaled about their centres by 'scale_factor'.
675
676     'lines' is a vector of line segments in form [X1,Y1,X2,Y2].
677     'scaleFactor' is a +ve float, 1 is unity scale.
678     'boundaries' is a list of [xmin, xmax, ymin, ymax], which, if provided,
679         limit the scaling range of each line. Lines scaled with boundaries
680         in place are extended to the minimum of the new extension and the
681         boundary. Boundaries can be None if only some are desired.
682
683     Algorithm ignores the possibility of a line detected that lies on a
684         boundary line.
685
686     cls.scale_lines(np.arr[arr[float(x4)]], float, *list[float(x4)])
687         → arr[arr[float(x4)]]
688
689     '',
690     lines = np.array(lines)
691     new_lines = lines # initialise to old lines
692     # logical array of line validity — false excluded at the end
693     include = np.ones(len(lines), dtype=bool)
694
695     # generate boundary lines
696     xmin, xmax, ymin, ymax = boundaries
697     boundary_lines = np.array(
698         [[xmin, ymin, xmin, ymax], #xmin
699          [xmax, ymin, xmax, ymax], #xmax
700          [xmin, ymin, xmax, ymin], #ymin
701          [xmin, ymax, xmax, ymax], #ymax
702          np.zeros(4)])
703
704     # iterate over lines
705     for line_ind in range(len(lines)):
706         line = lines[line_ind]

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707 # check if line is a point (remove from list if so)
708 if cls.is_point(line):
709     include[line_ind] = False
710     continue
711
712 if scale_factor != 1:
713     # get current points
714     p0, p1 = line.reshape((2,2))
715     midpoint = (p0 + p1) / 2;
716     # scale points about midpoint
717     p_new = np.array(
718         [(p0 - midpoint) * scale_factor + midpoint,
719          (p1 - midpoint) * scale_factor + midpoint])
720 else:
721     p_new = line.reshape((2,2))
722
723 # check boundary conditions, fix if required
724 p0out = cls.is_out_of_bounds(p_new[0], boundaries)
725 p1out = cls.is_out_of_bounds(p_new[1], boundaries)
726
727 # check if scaled points are outside the boundary
728 if p0out or p1out:
729     # add new line to boundary lines list
730     boundary_lines[4] = p_new.reshape(4)
731
732     # get boundary intersections
733     ip = cls.get_intersections(boundary_lines, positions=True)
734     intersects = np.array(np.abs(ip[0,4]), dtype=bool)
735     num_intersections = intersects.sum()
736     new_poss = np.unique(np.array([ip[1,4], ip[2,4]]).T[intersects],
737                           axis=0)
738     num_crosses = len(new_poss)
739
740 if num_intersections == 0:
741     # line is fully outside the boundaries (remove)
742     include[line_ind] = False
743     continue
744 if num_crosses == 1:
745     # 1 out, 1 in (redefine one point)
746     new_point = new_poss
747     if p0out:
748         p_new[0] = new_point
749     else:
750         p_new[1] = new_point
751 elif num_crosses == 2:
752     # 2 boundaries uniquely intersected with, line redefined by
753     # its boundary intersections
754     p_new = new_poss

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755         else:
756             # NOT REACHED (or at least it shouldn't be...)
757             print('NO!', num_intersections, num_crosses, ip, new_poss)
758             # replace old points with the new ones
759             new_lines[line_ind] = p_new.reshape(4)
760             # remove out of bounds lines
761             return new_lines[include]
762
763     @staticmethod
764     def scale_to_boundaries(line, boundaries):
765         ''' Returns 'line' scaled to the provided boundaries.
766
767         'line' is of the form [x0,y0,x1,y1].
768         'boundaries' is of the form [xmin, xmax, ymin, ymax].
769
770         Edge.scale_to_boundaries(np.array[float(x4)], arr[float(x4)])
771             -> np.array[float(x4)]
772
773         ...
774
775         x0, y0, x1, y1 = line
776         x0p, y0p, x1p, y1p = x0, y0, x1, y1 # copy for use in functions
777         y = lambda x : (y1p - y0p) * (x - x0p) / (x1p - x0p + 1e-9) + y0p
778         x = lambda y : (x1p - x0p) * (y - y0p) / (y1p - y0p + 1e-9) + x0p
779         xmin, xmax, ymin, ymax = boundaries
780         # scale to x boundaries
781         x0, y0 = xmin, y(xmin)
782         x1, y1 = xmax, y(xmax)
783         # if outside y boundaries, scale back to y-boundaries
784         if y0 < ymin or y0 > ymax:
785             y0 = ymin if y0 < ymin else ymax
786             x0 = x(y0)
787         if y1 < ymin or y1 > ymax:
788             y1 = ymin if y1 < ymin else ymax
789             x1 = x(y1)
790         return np.array([x0,y0,x1,y1], dtype=int)
791
792     @classmethod
793     def _pseudo_intersection(cls, lines, i, j, intersections, dist_thresh,
794                             **kwargs):
795         ''' Evaluates if a pseudo-intersection has occurred.
796
797         Updates relevant variables if an intersection is registered.
798
799         cls._pseudo_intersection(list[list[float]], int, int, float,
800                                 list[list[bool]]) -> None
801
802         ...
803         # parse kwargs

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803     angles = kwargs.pop('angles', None)
804     calculate_angle = angles is not None and len(angles) > 0
805     positions = kwargs.pop('positions', None)
806     calculate_position = positions is not None and len(positions) > 0
807
808     # determine if pseudo-intersection has occurred.
809     dist = cls.min_dist_segments(lines[[i,j]], position=calculate_position)
810     if calculate_position:
811         dist, pos = dist # extract correct variables from result
812
813     if dist < dist_thresh:
814         intersections[i,j] = True
815         if calculate_angle:
816             angles[i,j] = cls.angle_between_lines(lines[i], lines[j])
817         if calculate_position:
818             positions[i,j] = pos
```

Appendix E

Interaction Detection Code

Listing 5: Interaction Detector - Abstract Code

```
1 #!/usr/bin/env python3
2
3 import numpy as np
4 import cv2
5 from abc import ABC as AbstractClass
6 from abc import abstractmethod
7 from time import time # for Kalman filtering
8
9 class InteractionDetector(AbstractClass):
10     r''' An abstract interface for detecting interactions in an image.
11
12     The Kalman filtering included in this class contains code adapted in part
13     from 'https://www.myzhar.com/blog/tutorials/tutorial-opencv-ball-tracker-using-kalman-filter/', available under GPLv3.0. It has been modified to
14     track just position and velocity, changed from C++ to Python, and does not
15     use the ball-tracker image processing.
16
17     '''
18
19     def __init__(self, *kalman_args, kalman=True, not_found_thresh=2,
20                  **kalman_kwargs):
21         ''' Creates an interaction detector instance.
22
23         Kalman compensation (if used) assumes tracking a single point over x,y
24         space, with velocity.
25
26         'kalman' is a boolean specifier determining if Kalman compensation is
27             used to predict the state of the interaction on demand, corrected
28             for with measurements.
29         'kalman_args' and 'kalman_kwargs' are arguments and keyword-arguments
30             passed to cv2.KalmanFilter.
31         'not_found_thresh' is an integer limit on how many subsequent
32             predictions are allowed once detection has dropped out, generally
33             to attempt to continue tracking in temporary losses of the
34             interaction, due to occlusions and the like.
```

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35
36     ...
37
38     if kalman:
39         self.init_kalman(*kalman_args, **kalman_kwargs)
40         self._found = False
41         self._not_found_count = 0
42         self._not_found_thresh = not_found_thresh
43         self._kalman = kalman
44
45     def init_kalman(self, state_size=4, measurement_size=2, *kalman_args,
46                     **kalman_kwargs):
47         ''' Creates and initialises a Kalman filter to predict the state of
48             the interaction with consideration of its position and velocity.
49
50             Used as compensation for delay, to track the interaction more closely
51             than pure measurements.
52
53             Arguments are passed to a cv2.KalmanFilter instance.
54
55         ...
56
57         kf = cv2.KalmanFilter(state_size, measurement_size, *kalman_args,
58                               **kalman_kwargs)
59         # Transition State Matrix (set dT at each processing step)
60         # [ 1 0 dT 0 ]
61         # [ 0 1 0  dT ]
62         # [ 0 0 1  0 ]
63         # [ 0 0 0  1 ]
64         kf.transitionMatrix = np.eye(state_size, dtype=np.float32)
65
66         # Measurement Matrix
67         # [ 1 0 0 0 ]
68         # [ 0 1 0 0 ]
69         kf.measurementMatrix = np.zeros((measurement_size, state_size),
70                                         dtype=np.float32)
71         kf.measurementMatrix[[0,1],[0,1]] = np.float32(1.0)
72
73         # Process Noise Covariance Matrix
74         # position and speed error assumed uncorrelated
75         # [ Ex 0   0   ] pixels
76         # [ 0   Ey 0   ] pixels
77         # [ 0   0   Ev_x 0   ] pixels/second
78         # [ 0   0   0   Ev_y ] pixels/second
79         kf.processNoiseCov = np.eye(state_size, dtype=np.float32)
80
81         if state_size == 2 * measurement_size:
82             # assume first half are position, second half velocity
83             processNoise = [500]*measurement_size + [10]*measurement_size
84             for i, E in enumerate(np.float32(processNoise)):
85                 kf.processNoiseCov[i,i] = E

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83     else:
84         kf.processNoiseCov *= np.float32(1e-2)
85
86     # Measurement Noise Covariance Matrix
87     kf.measurementNoiseCov = np.eye(measurement_size,
88                                     dtype=np.float32) * 1e-2 # pixel
89
90     self._kf = kf
91     self._correction_time = time()
92     self._state_size = state_size
93
94     @abstractmethod
95     def detect_interaction(self, img):
96         ''' Attempts to detect an interaction in the image, updating the
97             internal state.
98
99         To get the latest estimate for the interaction location, use
100            self.predict().
101
102        'img' is the image being processed.
103
104        self.detect_interaction(np.array([arr[int](x3)]) -> None
105
106        '''
107        pass
108
109    def _update_time(self):
110        ''' Updates transition matrix with the time since the last correction.
111
112        Not used when Kalman filter compensation is off.
113
114        By default assumes position and velocity tracking of a single point in
115            2D space.
116
117        '''
118        self._kf.transitionMatrix[[0,1],[2,3]] = \
119            np.float32(time() - self._correction_time)
120
121    def _handle_detection(self, detected, measurement):
122        ''' Handles a detection attempt, tracking if the target is found, and
123            updating the kalman filter with valid measurements (if used).
124
125        'detected' is a boolean specifying if the interaction was detected in
126            the attempt being handled.
127        'measurement' is the detected measurement, or not used.
128
129        self._handle_detection(bool, np.array[float32]) -> None
130

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131     '',
132     if not detected and self._found:
133         self._not_found_count += 1
134         if self._not_found_count > self._not_found_thresh:
135             self._found = False
136     elif detected:
137         self._not_found_count = 0
138         self._last = measurement
139         if not self._found: # first detection
140             self._found = True
141             if self._kalman:
142                 self._kf.errorCovPre = np.eye(self._state_size,
143                                              dtype=float) * 1.0 # px
144                 self._kf.statePost = np.array([*measurement, 0, 0],
145                                              dtype=np.float32)
146                 self._correction_time = time()
147             elif self._kalman:
148                 self._correct(np.array(measurement, dtype=np.float32))
149             # else not tracking
150
151     def predict(self):
152         ''' Return the currently expected state from the filter.
153         If not currently found/tracking, returns None.
154         If not using Kalman filtering, returns last detected measurement.
155
156         self.predict() -> arr[int(x2)]/None
157
158     ''
159     if not self._found:
160         return None
161
162     if not self._kalman:
163         return np.array(self._last)
164
165     self._update_time()
166     return self._kf.predict()
167
168     def _correct(self, measurement):
169         ''' Corrects the state of the Kalman Filter with measurement.
170
171         'measurement' should be an array of 32-bit floats.
172
173     ''
174     self._update_time()          # update to the current point in time
175     self._kf.correct(measurement) # correct with the new measurement
176     self._correction_time = time() # set now as the latest correction time

```

Listing 6: Laser Detector Implementation

```

1 #!/usr/bin/env python3
2
3 from interaction_detector import * # np, cv2, InteractionDetector
4 from overrides import overrides
5
6 class LaserDetector(InteractionDetector):
7     ''' A class for detecting laser-pointer interactions with a screen. '''
8     def __init__(self, colour='g', state_size=4, measurement_size=2,
9                  *kalman_args, kalman=True, **kalman_kwargs):
10        ''' Creates an interaction detector for tracking a laser-pointer.
11
12        'colour' is the colour of the laser-pointer being tracked.
13        Options are 'g'/'green', 'r'/'red', 'p'/'purple', and 'b'/'blue'.
14
15        The remaining arguments are passed to a cv2.KalmanFilter instance
16        to compensate for processing delay between measurements, unless
17        'kalman' is set to False, in which case no compensation is used.
18
19        ...
20        super().__init__(state_size, measurement_size, *kalman_args,
21                         **kalman_kwargs)
22
23        self.colour = colour.lower()
24        # create a kernel to help look for a laser-pointer within an image.
25        self._kernel = np.array([[-4,-4,-4,-4,-4],
26                               [-4,-3, 2,-3,-4],
27                               [-4, 2, 68, 2,-4],
28                               [-4,-3, 2,-3,-4],
29                               [-4,-4,-4,-4,-4]])
30        self._first = True
31
32    @overrides
33    def detect_interaction(self, img):
34        if len(img.shape) == 2 or img.shape[2] == 1:
35            grey = img
36        else:
37            # convert to float image, and split into colour channels
38            b,g,r = cv2.split(img / 255.0)
39
40            if self.colour in ['g', 'green']:
41                grey = g
42            elif self.colour in ['r', 'red']:
43                grey = r
44            elif self.colour in ['p', 'purple']:
45                grey = (r + b) / 2
46            elif self.colour in ['b', 'blue']:

```

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47         grey = b
48     else:
49         # colour not supported
50         grey = cv2.COLOUR_BGR2GRAY(img)
51
52     # attempt to detect laser-pointer shaped objects
53     filtered = cv2.filter2D(np.array(grey, dtype=np.float32), -1,
54                             self._kernel)
55     # filter out previous to remove DC errors
56     if not self._first:
57         adjusted = filtered - self._prev
58         adjusted[adjusted < 0] = 0
59     self._prev = filtered
60     if self._first:
61         self._first = False
62     return
63     blur = cv2.GaussianBlur(adjusted, (9,9), 0)
64
65     # find the strongest point of detection in the image
66     minVal, maxVal, minLoc, maxLoc = cv2.minMaxLoc(blur)
67     if maxVal > 0.3:
68         detection = True
69         measurement = maxLoc
70     else:
71         detection = False
72         measurement = None
73     self._handle_detection(detection, measurement)
74     return

```

Appendix F

Data Analysis Code

Listing 7: Code for segmenting and summarising attempts from testing

```
1 #!/usr/bin/env python3
2
3 import numpy as np
4 from Edge2 import Edge
5 from os import path
6
7 class Attempt(object):
8     ''' A class for storing a maze attempt. '''
9     def __init__(self, points, dTs, lines, classes, maze_lines):
10         ''' Construct a maze attempt using the collected data. '''
11         self._points = points
12         self._dT = dTs
13         self._lines = lines
14         self._classes = classes
15         self._maze_lines = maze_lines
16         self._stats = None
17
18     def analyse(self):
19         ''' Analyse the internal data and update internal statistics. '''
20         stats = {'t90':0, 't180':0, 't0':0, 'outside':0, 'total_time':0,
21                 'failures':0}
22
23         l = len(self._lines)
24         intersections = np.abs(Edge.get_intersections(
25             np.array(self._lines+self._maze_lines), j_min=l, i_max=l))
26
27         for index, dT in enumerate(self._dT):
28             # can't account for intersections because don't know if return
29             # to correct region before continuing
30             stats[self._classes[index]] += dT
31             stats['total_time'] += dT
32
33         stats['failures'] = intersections.sum() / 2
34         stats['distance'] = Edge.get_path_length(self._points)
```

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35     self._stats = stats
36
37
38     def get_stats(self, force_recompute=False):
39         ''' Retrieve the dictionary of statistics for this attempt. '''
40         if self._stats is None or force_recompute:
41             self.analyse()
42         return self._stats
43
44 class Analyser(object):
45     ''' A class for detecting and analysing maze attempts in a test run. '''
46     def __init__(self, points, maze_regions, maze_lines):
47         ''' Construct the analyser and perform basic pre-processing. '''
48         X, Y, t = np.array(points).T
49         self._points = np.array([X,Y]).T
50         self._maze_regions = maze_regions
51         self._maze_lines = maze_lines
52         self._classify_points()
53         self._dT = [*np.diff(t)]
54         self._lines = Edge.get_path_lines(self._points).tolist()
55         self._attempts = []
56         self._split_attempts()
57         self._stats = None
58
59     def _classify_points(self):
60         ''' Classifies points based on the maze region they exist within. '''
61         self._point_classes = []
62         for index, point in enumerate(self._points):
63             classified = False
64             for region in self._maze_regions:
65                 if not Edge.is_out_of_bounds(point, self._maze_regions[region]):
66                     # point is in this region
67                     self._point_classes.append(region.split('_')[0])
68                     classified = True
69                     break
70             if not classified:
71                 self._point_classes.append('outside') # point not in maze
72
73     def _split_attempts(self):
74         ''' Split the stored data into classes.
75
76         Can be performed multiple times, but only works for attempt data added
77         since the last split, not if previously split data is modified.
78
79         ...
80         started = False
81         ended = True
82         for index, region in enumerate(self._point_classes):
```

```

83     if not started and region == 'start':
84         start = index
85         started = True
86         ended = False
87     elif started and not ended and region == 'end':
88         ended = True
89     elif started and ended and region != 'end':
90         self._attempts.append(Attempt(self._points[start:index],
91                                         self._dTs[start:index],
92                                         self._lines[start:index],
93                                         self._point_classes[start:index],
94                                         self._maze_lines))
95         started = False
96     if region in ['start', 'end']:
97         self._point_classes[index] = 't90'
98     print('recorded {} attempts'.format(len(self._attempts)))
99
100    def analyse(self, force_recompute=False):
101        ''' Analyse the stored attempts and store results internally. '''
102        stats = []
103        for attempt in self._attempts:
104            stats.append(attempt.get_stats(force_recompute))
105        self._stats = stats
106
107    def get_stats(self, force_recompute=False):
108        ''' Returns the list of attempt analysis statistics (dicts). '''
109        if self._stats is None or force_recompute:
110            self.analyse(force_recompute)
111        return self._stats
112
113    def save_stats(self, filename='stats'):
114        ''' Save the internal statistics to the given filename +.csv. '''
115        suffix=0
116        while path.exists(filename+str(suffix)+'.csv'):
117            suffix += 1
118        filename = filename + str(suffix) + '.csv'
119
120        with open(filename, 'w') as out:
121            first = True
122            for attempt_stats in self.get_stats():
123                if first:
124                    out.write(','.join(attempt_stats.keys()) + '\n')
125                    first=False
126                    out.write(','.join(str(v) for v in attempt_stats.values()) \
127                               + '\n')
128    return filename

```