Mobile and Ubiquitous Computing Project Proposal

# NutriSeeON virtual eyes to consume healthy groceries

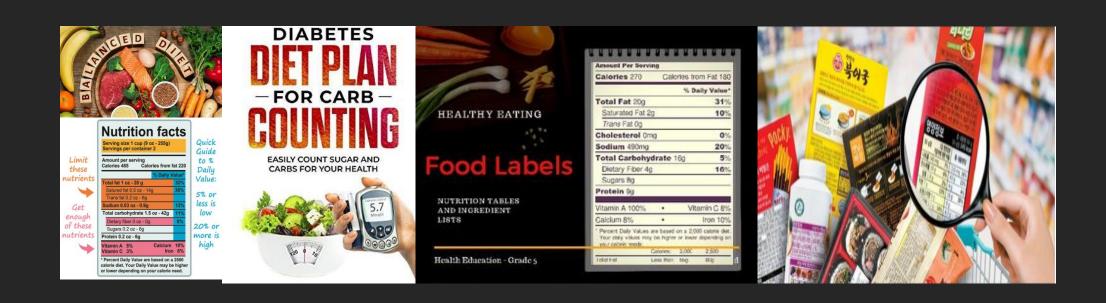
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- Trends of consumption after identification of nutrition facts for health
  - Many modern people care about food intake due to their **health issues** such as weight control, disease(diabetes, high blood pressure), allergies.
  - They buy groceries after checking **the nutritional facts or contents** following their needs. (ingredients to be avoided or increased, serving size and calories)



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- This trend has allowed the most of consumers to check and choose the food product considering their conditions.
  - Improvement of guidelines for nutrition facts label
  - Increased release of health food products that emphasize good nutritional composition





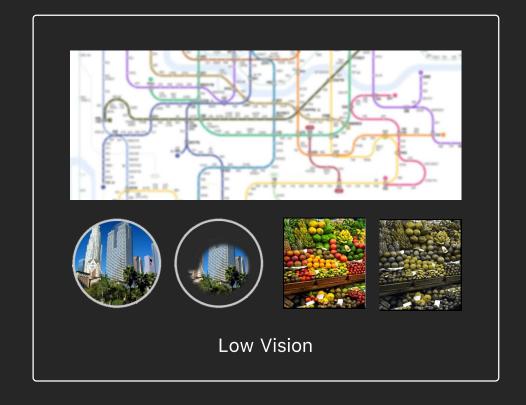


## **Target User**

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- Is it possible for people with impaired vision(particularly, total blindness) to purchase products by checking nutritional facts?

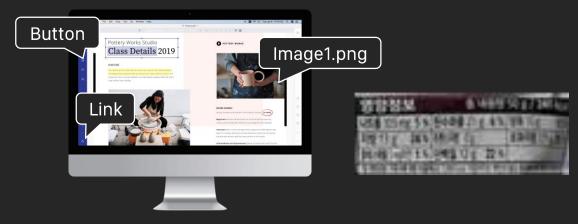




### Difficulties experienced by target users

- Blind people have been alienated from the wellbeing trend because both on/offline shopping have limitations to **identifying product information**.
  - Generally, braille is the only medium they can rely on in the store.
  - Screen reader programs can be used when using online malls, but this is also useless...





Difficulties in the supermarket

Difficulties in the online mall

## Related Works & Technology

### Related Works / Technologies

- Using video magnifiers or human assistant-based services has several limitations.
  - Both require expensive costs (machines or human resources)
  - Using the video magnifier requires constant vision and takes up a considerable volume.
  - Human assistant-based service is not an automation system.





Video Magnifiers

Human assistant-based services (Be My Eyes, Aira Smart glass)

### Related Works / Technologies

- DB based system or Text-to-Speech have several limitations.
  - DB based system(RFID tag, Barcode scan) requires **prior works for information registration** which is provided by normal-visual abilities. (Also, it targets on low vision people.)
  - Text-to-Speech(TTS) has poor information accessibility.
    - Passive Access
    - Sound-based feedback is difficult with continuous feedback.



DB based system (Way around / Google Assistant Camera )



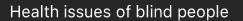
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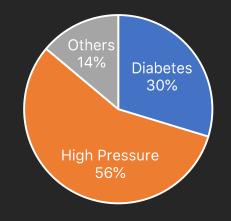
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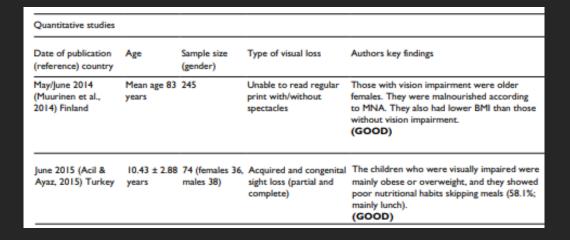
### **Additional Backgrounds**

 Even though there are many visually impaired people who need to be ingested in consideration of nutrition, they are not guaranteed the right to choose and consume for health.









Korea Ministry of Health and Welfare, 2011

Korea Disabled people's development institute, 2017

Jones, Nabila, and Hannah Bartlett.

"The impact of visual impairment on nutritional status: A systematic review." British Journal of Visual Impairment 36.1 (2018): 17-30.

## **Solution Summary**

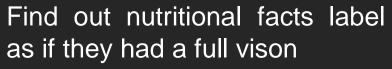
### **Solution Summary**

- NutriSeeON will act as the eye of total blindness users, helping them to consume healthy groceries.

We will implement the system by leveraging

Image Sensing by mobile camera, tactile/soundness feedback, and deep learning based data processing





Consider their health concern



Access to interesting information & use the information when purchasing product

## **Usage Scenario**

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#### Step 1

Set user health concerns. (e.g., Diabetes, high blood pressure, weight loss, ...)

#### Step 2

Pick up food and take a picture of it. It helps user to take photos of the food.

#### Step 3

It collects nutritional information from photos and informs the information that suits the user's interest.

#### YOUR HEALTH INTEREST?

- Diabetes
- Blood Pressure





#### IMPORTANT NUTRITION REPORT

Fat ... 10g (Normal) Cholesterol ... 0mg (Good!)



## Challenge & Solution Ideas

### **Expected Challenges**

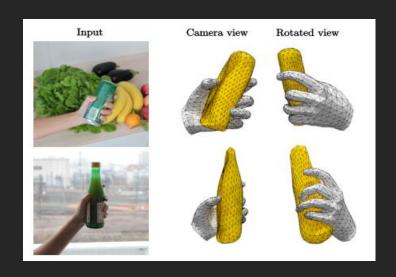
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- 2. Providing intuitive feedback for target users to find nutrition facts label
- 3. Gathering nutritional information from photos taken in real-world
- 4. Effectively delivering nutritional information to visually impaired user



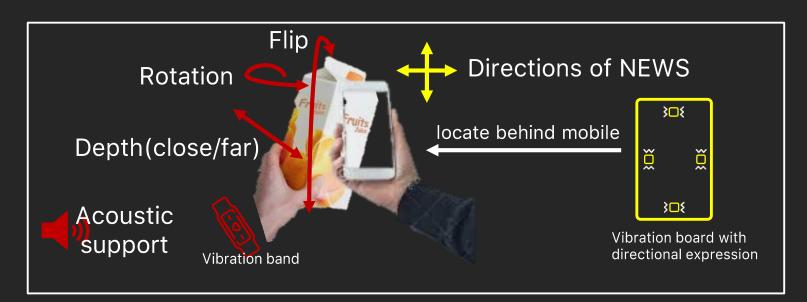


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  - Hand-holding object detection [1, 2]
    - : Public hand-annotated dataset and hand-holded object recognition model





- 2. Providing intuitive feedback for target users to find nutrition facts label
  - We devised a new design for the intuitive feedback module.
    - [Idea 1] Divide into 2 types feedback: moving objects & mobile
    - [Idea 2] Deliver proper tactile & auditory feedback directly for each hand





Tactile Flow [1]

- 3. Gathering nutritional information from photos taken in real-world
  - Optical Character Recognition (OCR)
  - Additional optimizations to effectively extract nutritional information
  - Heuristics to get nutritional facts label from curved or crumpled surface







- 4. Effectively delivering nutritional information to visually impaired users
  - [Idea 3] Provide personalized nutritional information based on user's health concern :Prioritize information that user will consider important
  - [Idea 4] Gesture-driven traverse module to provide the rest of information



## System Overview & Main Functions

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Setting up

Nutrition facts selection relevant to personal health issue

Receiving a nutrition fact label from user's device

Main Service

Data Processing & Analysis

Providing summary & additional information

#### **Main Functions**



Tactile/Auditory based Nutrition Facts Recognition Guide Module



Gesture based
Selective Information
Traverse Module







Vibration board with directional expression



## Evaluation

#### **Evaluation**

#### - Accuracy of the intuitive feedback

- Evaluate whether our intuitive feedback is providing an accurate guide for users to take pictures

#### - Task completion time without vision

- Measure time for taking a picture of nutritional information with closed eyes
- Compare the task completion time with and without the intuitive feedback.

#### - Accuracy of nutritional information collection

- Evaluate whether our nutritional information extraction module obtains accurate nutrition information from a photo.

#### - Qualitative interview to explore user experience

- Subject assume visual impairment and attempt to obtain the nutritional content of food with this application. After that, we conduct an interview on the user experience.

### **Overall Plan**

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**Set Up** 

**Project Set-up** 

- Development environment setting

- Specifying Application design

Core Function Core Function Implementation + Prototyping

- Tactile, Auditory feedback interaction method
- Gesture Recognition
- Object Recognition

**Application** 

**Application Development** 

- Client Implementation (Mobile + Wearable)
- Server Implementation (Network, Data Processing)

**Test and Evaluation** 

- Field Test
- Evaluation

Test Evaluation

### Final Deliverable & Success Criteria

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#### **Final Deliverable**



**Mobile Application** 





Intuitive Feedback Module



Server

Application that effectively helps blind people to discover nutritional facts and easily get customized information.

#### Success Criteria

- Based on Evaluation Time and Accuracy of Each Task
- Does this app help user to find the nutrition facts label and recognize them correctly?
- Does this app provide the proper nutrition information for customized user preference?
- Can the tactile/auditory module provide accurate feedback to the user?
- Can the gesture recognition module accurately recognize the action intended by the user?

## Thank you

