

**REAL -TIME COMMUNICATION SYSTEM POWERED BY AI
FOR SPECIALLY ABLED**

**NALAIYA THIRAN PROJECT BASED LEARNING ON
PROFESSIONAL READLINESS FOR INNOVATION,
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A PROJECT REPORT

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1. INTRODUCTION

Overview

People get to know one another by sharing their ideas, thoughts, and experiences with those around them. There are numerous ways to accomplish this, the best of which is the gift of "Speech." Everyone can very convincingly transfer their thoughts and understand each other through speech. It will be unjust if we overlook those who are denied this priceless gift: the deaf and dumb. In such cases, the human hand has remained the preferred method of communication.

Purpose

The project's purpose is to create a system that translates sign language into a human-understandable language so that ordinary people may understand it.

2. LITERATURE SURVEY

| S.NO | TITLE | AUTHOR | YEAR& PUBLICATIONS | REMARKS |
|------|--|---------------------------------------|---|--|
| 1. | Sign language to speech conversion | P. Vijayalakshmi and M.Aarthi | 2016 International Conference on Recent Trends in Information Technology (ICRTIT) | They have designed a sensor-based gesture recognition module that recognizes English alphabets. |
| 2. | Conversion of Sign Language into Text | Mahesh Kumar N B | International Journal of Applied Engineering Research ISSN 0973-4562 Volume 13, Number 9 (2018) | In this model, the Linear Discriminant Analysis (LDA) algorithm was used for gesture recognition and recognized gesture is converted into text and voice format. |
| 3. | Real time conversion of sign language to speech and prediction of gestures using Artificial Neural Network | Mahesh Kumar N Babey Abraham, VRohini | Procedia Computer Science, Volume 143, 2018 | The proposed device makes use of an Arduino Uno board, a few flex sensors and an Android application to enable effective communication amongst the users. |

Software Requirements:

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|--------------------------|--|
| Python | v3.9.0 or Above |
| Python Packages | flask, tensorflow, opencv-python, keras, numpy, pandas, virtualenv, pillow |
| Web Browser | Mozilla Firefox, Google Chrome or any modern web browser |
| IBM Cloud (for training) | Watson Studio - Model Training & Deployment as Machine Learning Instance |

4. EXPERIMENTAL INVESTIGATIONS

Training and Testing using Dataset Provided

Image Preprocessing

Import ImageDataGenerator Library And Configure It

```
In [ ]: from tensorflow.keras.preprocessing.image import ImageDataGenerator

In [ ]: # Training Dagen
train_datagen = ImageDataGenerator(rescale=1/255, zoom_range=0.2, horizontal_flip=True, vertical_flip=False)
# Testing Dagen
test_datagen = ImageDataGenerator(rescale=1/255)

In [ ]: import tensorflow as tf
import os
from tensorflow.keras.models import Sequential
from tensorflow.keras.layers import Dense, Conv2D, Flatten, Dropout, MaxPooling2D
from tensorflow.keras.preprocessing.image import ImageDataGenerator
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import IPython.display as display
from PIL import Image
import pathlib
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Apply ImageDataGenerator Functionality To Train And Test set

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In [ ]: from google.colab import drive
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In [8]: !unzip '/content/DATASET.zip'
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In [13]: from tensorflow.keras.preprocessing.image import ImageDataGenerator
print("This dataset has been created and uploaded by IBM-TeamID-IBM-Project-12311-1659447225")

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In [14]: train_datagen = ImageDataGenerator(rescale=1./255, zoom_range=0.2, horizontal_flip=True, vertical_flip=False)

In [15]: test_datagen = ImageDataGenerator(rescale=1./255)

In [19]: x_train = train_datagen.flow_from_directory('/content/drive/MyDrive/dataset/training_set', target_size=(64,64), batch_size=300,
class_mode='categorical', color_mode = "grayscale")

Found 15750 images belonging to 9 classes.

In [20]: x_test = test_datagen.flow_from_directory('/content/drive/MyDrive/dataset/test_set', target_size=(64,64), batch_size=300,
class_mode='categorical', color_mode = "grayscale")

Found 2250 images belonging to 9 classes.

In [21]: x_train.class_indices

Out[21]: {'A': 0, 'B': 1, 'C': 2, 'D': 3, 'E': 4, 'F': 5, 'G': 6, 'H': 7, 'I': 8}

In [22]: x_test.class_indices

Out[22]: {'A': 0, 'B': 1, 'C': 2, 'D': 3, 'E': 4, 'F': 5, 'G': 6, 'H': 7, 'I': 8}

```

Model Creation

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In [71]: from tensorflow.compat.v1 import ConfigProto
from tensorflow.compat.v1 import InteractiveSession
config = ConfigProto()
config.gpu_options.allow_growth = True
session = InteractiveSession(config=config)

In [72]: from tensorflow.keras.models import Sequential

In [73]: from tensorflow.keras.preprocessing.image import ImageDataGenerator
import tensorflow as tf
tf.compat.v1.disable_eager_execution()
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import numpy as np
import os

from tensorflow.keras.models import Sequential

In [74]: classifier = Sequential()

In [75]: train_datagen = ImageDataGenerator(rescale = 1./255, shear_range = 0.2,
zoom_range = 0.2, horizontal_flip = True)
test_datagen = ImageDataGenerator(rescale = 1./255)
training_set = train_datagen.flow_from_directory('/content/drive/MyDrive/dataset/training_set', target_size = (64, 64), batch_size = 9, class_mode = 'categorical')
test_set = test_datagen.flow_from_directory('/content/drive/MyDrive/dataset/test_set', target_size = (64, 64), batch_size = 3, class_mode = 'categorical')
labels = (training_set.class_indices)
print(labels)

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{'A': 0, 'B': 1, 'C': 2, 'D': 3, 'E': 4, 'F': 5, 'G': 6, 'H': 7, 'I': 8}

In [76]: # Compiling the Model
model.compile(optimizer='adam', loss='categorical_crossentropy', metrics=['accuracy'])

In [ ]:

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Saving the Model

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In [40]: # Fitting the Model Generator
model.fit_generator(x_train, steps_per_epoch=len(x_train), epochs=10, validation_data=x_test, validation_steps=len(x_test))

C:\Users\vasanth\AppData\Local\Temp\ipykernel_12712\1042518445.py:2: UserWarning: `Model.fit_generator` is deprecated and will be removed in a future version. Please use `Model.fit`, which supports generators.
  model.fit_generator(x_train, steps_per_epoch=len(x_train), epochs=10, validation_data=x_test, validation_steps=len(x_test))
Epoch 1/10
18/18 [=====] - 28s 2s/step - loss: 1.1885 - accuracy: 0.6356 - val_loss: 0.3970 - val_accuracy: 0.9084
Epoch 2/10
18/18 [=====] - 23s 1s/step - loss: 0.2429 - accuracy: 0.9309 - val_loss: 0.2971 - val_accuracy: 0.9409
Epoch 3/10
18/18 [=====] - 22s 1s/step - loss: 0.0933 - accuracy: 0.9761 - val_loss: 0.1903 - val_accuracy: 0.9724
Epoch 4/10
18/18 [=====] - 22s 1s/step - loss: 0.0483 - accuracy: 0.9889 - val_loss: 0.2213 - val_accuracy: 0.9733
Epoch 5/10
18/18 [=====] - 22s 1s/step - loss: 0.0281 - accuracy: 0.9933 - val_loss: 0.2241 - val_accuracy: 0.9733
Epoch 6/10
18/18 [=====] - 21s 1s/step - loss: 0.0201 - accuracy: 0.9953 - val_loss: 0.2540 - val_accuracy: 0.9756
Epoch 7/10
18/18 [=====] - 22s 1s/step - loss: 0.0122 - accuracy: 0.9975 - val_loss: 0.2513 - val_accuracy: 0.9756
Epoch 8/10
18/18 [=====] - 21s 1s/step - loss: 0.0089 - accuracy: 0.9984 - val_loss: 0.2877 - val_accuracy: 0.9769
Epoch 9/10
18/18 [=====] - 23s 1s/step - loss: 0.0065 - accuracy: 0.9990 - val_loss: 0.2771 - val_accuracy: 0.9764
Epoch 10/10
18/18 [=====] - 21s 1s/step - loss: 0.0055 - accuracy: 0.9991 - val_loss: 0.2952 - val_accuracy: 0.9760

Out[40]:

In [41]: model.save('asl_model_84_54.h5')
```

Testing the Model

```
In [5]: from tensorflow.keras.models import load_model
import numpy as np
import cv2
from tensorflow.keras.preprocessing import image

In [7]: #Load the model
model=load_model('C:/Users/Vasanth/Documents/IBM Project/asl_model_84_54.h5')

In [8]: img=image.load_img('C:/Users/Vasanth/Documents/IBM Project/Dataset/test_set/A/16.png', target_size=(400,500))
img

Out[8]:
```



Predicting the model

```
In [1]: import cv2
        from matplotlib import pyplot as plt
        import os
        import numpy as np
        from tensorflow.keras.preprocessing.image import load_img
        from tensorflow.keras.preprocessing.image import img_to_array
        from tensorflow.keras.models import load_model

In [2]: filepath = 'C:/Users/Vasanth/Documents/IBM Project/IBM Project/asl_model_84_54.h5'
        model = load_model(filepath)
        print(model)
        print("Model Loaded Successfully")

Model Loaded Successfully

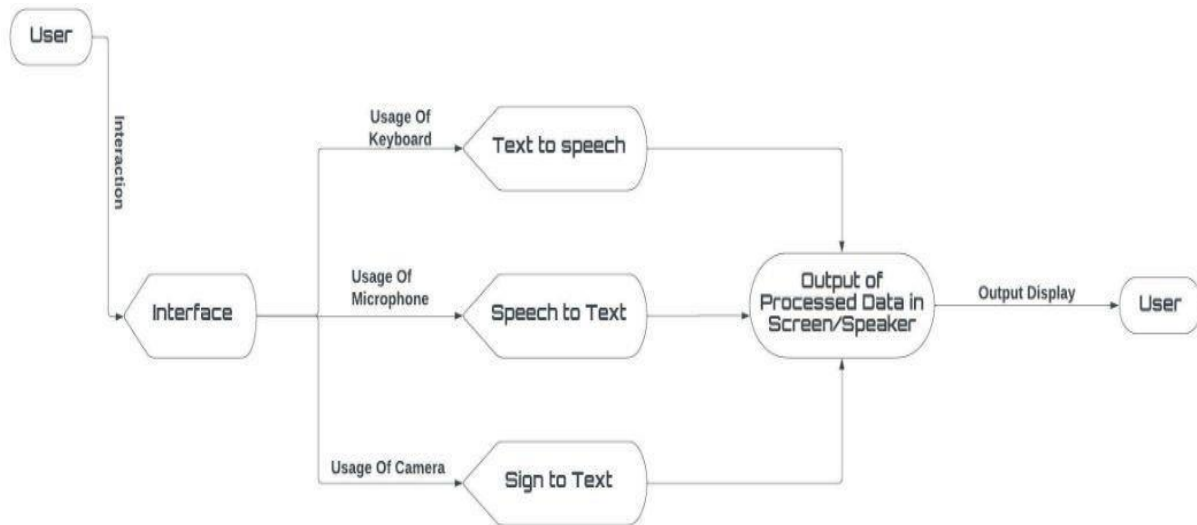
In [8]: image= cv2.imread('C:/Users/Vasanth/Documents/IBM Project/Dataset/test_set/D/15.png')

In [9]: test_image = cv2.resize(image, (64,64)) # Load image
        test_image = img_to_array(test_image)/255 # convert image to np array and normalize
        test_image = np.expand_dims(test_image, axis = 0) # change dimention 3D to 4D

In [10]: result = model.predict(test_image) # predict diseased paint or not
         pred = np.argmax(result, axis=1)
         print(pred)

1/1 [=====] - 0s 24ms/step
[3]
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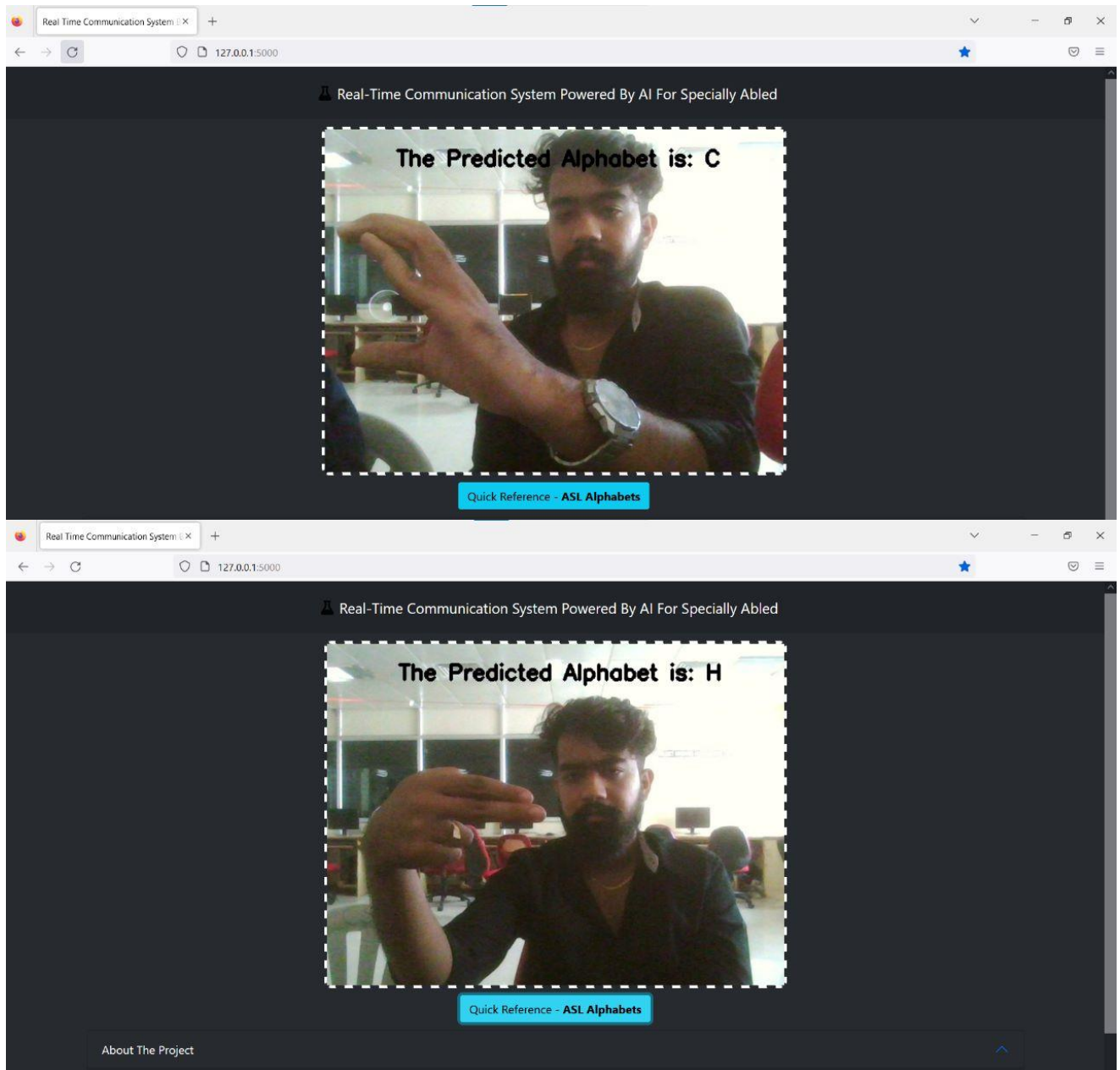
5. FLOWCHART



6. RESULT

The proposed procedure was implemented and tested with set of images. The set of 15750 images of Alphabets from “A” to “I” are used for training database and a set of 2250 images of Alphabets from “A” to “I” are used for testing database. Once the gesture is recognise the equivalent Alphabet is shown on the screen.

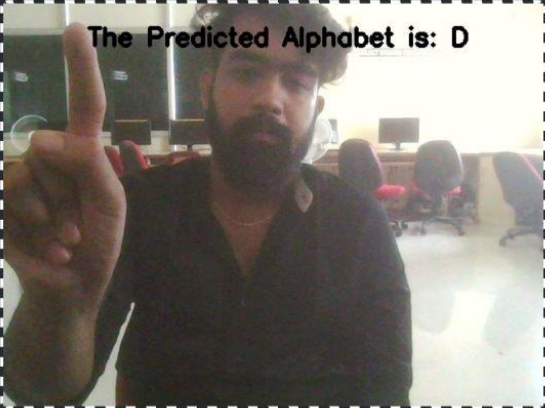
Some sample images of the output are provided below:



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The Predicted Alphabet is: D

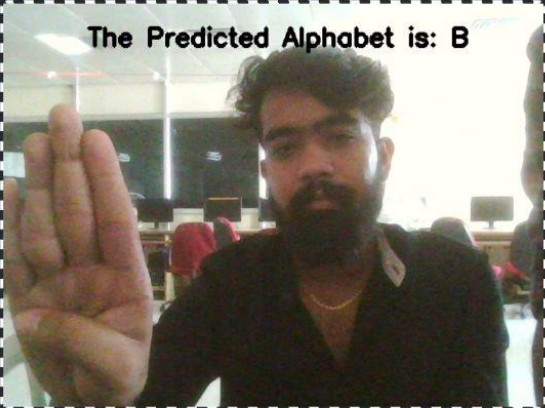
Quick Reference - ASL Alphabets

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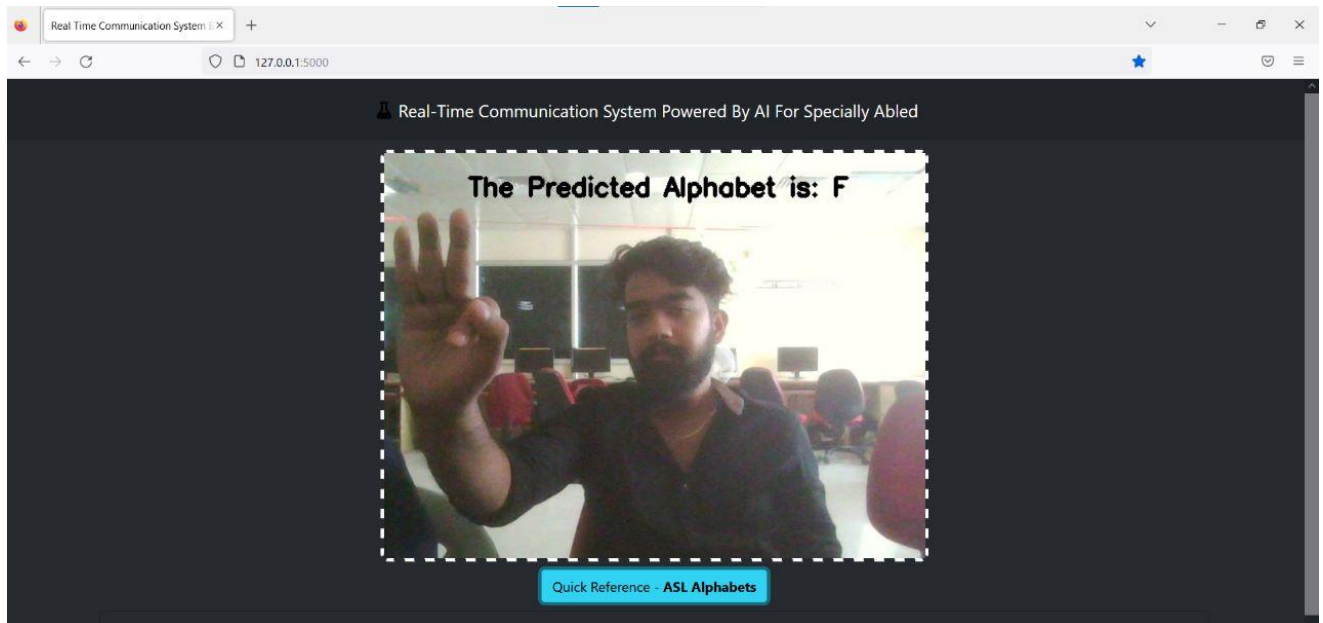


The Predicted Alphabet is: B

Quick Reference - ASL Alphabets

About The Project

Artificial Intelligence has made it possible to handle our daily activities in new and simpler ways. With the ability to automate tasks that normally require human intelligence, such as speech and voice recognition, visual perception, predictive text functionality, decision-making, and a variety of other tasks, AI can assist people with disabilities by significantly



7. ADVANTAGES & DISADVANTAGES

Advantages:

1. It is possible to create a mobile application to bridge the communication gap between deaf and dumb persons and the general public.
2. As different sign language standards exist, their dataset can be added, and the user can choose which sign language to read.

Disadvantages:

1. The current model only works from alphabets A to I.
2. In absence of gesture recognition, alphabets from J cannot be identified as they require some kind of gesture input from the user.
3. As the quantity/quality of images in the dataset is low, the accuracy is not great, but that can easily be improved by change in dataset.

8. APPLICATIONS

1. It will contribute to the development of improved communication for the deafened. The majority of people are unable to communicate via sign language, which creates a barrier to communication
2. As a result, others will be able to learn and comprehend sign language and communicate with the deaf and dumb via the web app.
3. According to scientific research, learning sign language improves cognitive abilities, attention span, and creativity.

9. CONCLUSION

Sign language is a useful tool for facilitating communication between deaf and hearing people. Because it allows for two-way communication, the system aims to bridge the communication gap between deaf people and the rest of society. The proposed methodology translates language into English alphabets that are understandable to humans.

This system sends hand gestures to the model, who recognises them and displays the equivalent Alphabet on the screen. Deaf-mute people can use their hands to perform sign language, which will then be converted into alphabets, thanks to this project.

10. APPENDIX

Web app code

```
1 from flask import Flask, Response, render_template
2 from camera import Video
3
4 app = Flask(__name__)
5 @app.route('/')
6 def index():
7     return render_template('index.html')
8
9 def gen(camera):
10     while True:
11         frame = camera.get_frame()
12         yield(b'--frame\r\n'
13              b'Content-Type: image/jpeg\r\n\r\n' + frame +
14              b'\r\n\r\n')
15
16 @app.route('/video_feed')
17 def video_feed():
18     video = Video()
19     return Response(gen(video), mimetype='multipart/x-mixed-replace; boundary = frame')
20
21
22 if __name__ == '__main__':
23     app.run()
```

```

1 import cv2
2 import numpy as np
3 from tensorflow.keras.models import load_model
4 from tensorflow.keras.preprocessing import image
5
6 class Video(object):
7     def __init__(self):
8         self.video = cv2.VideoCapture(0)
9         self.roi_start = (50, 150)
10        self.roi_end = (250, 350)
11        self.model = load_model('asl_model.h5')
12        self.index = ['A', 'B', 'C', 'D', 'E', 'F', 'G', 'H', 'I']
13        self.y = None
14    def __del__(self):
15        self.video.release()
16    def get_frame(self):
17        ret, frame = self.video.read()
18        frame = cv2.resize(frame, (640, 480))
19        copy = frame.copy()
20        copy = copy[150:350, 50:250]
21        # Prediction Start
22        cv2.imwrite('image.jpg', copy)
23        copy_img = image.load_img('image.jpg', target_size=(64, 64))
24        x = image.img_to_array(copy_img)
25        x = np.expand_dims(x, axis=0)
26        pred = np.argmax(self.model.predict(x), axis=1)
27        self.y = pred[0]
28        cv2.putText(frame, 'The Predicted Alphabet is: ' + str(self.index[self.y]), (100, 50), cv2.FONT_HERSHEY_SIMPLEX, 1, (0, 0, 0), 3)
29        ret, jpg = cv2.imencode('.jpg', frame)
30        return jpg.tobytes()

```

American Sign Language Standard Reference:

