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EMERGING METHODS FOR EARLY DETECTION OF FOREST FIRES

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1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 Project Overview:

Forest fires are occurring throughout the year with an increasing intensity in the summer and autumn periods. These events are mainly caused by the actions of humans, but different nature and environmental phenomena, like lightning strikes or spontaneous combustion of dried leafs or sawdust, can also be credited for their occurrence. Regardless of the reasons for the ignition of the forest fires, they usually cause devastating damage to both nature and humans. Forest fires are also considered as a main contributor to the air pollution, due to the fact that during every fire huge amounts of gases and particle mater are released in the atmosphere. To fight forest fires, different solutions were employed throughout the years. They ware primary aimed at the early detection of the fires. The simplest of these solutions is the establishment of a network of observation posts - both cheap and easy to accomplish, but also time-consuming for the involved people. The constant evolution of the information and communication technologies has led to the introduction of a new generation of solutions for early detection and even prevention of forest fires.

1.2 Purpose:

The main purpose of the project is to detect the forest fires early. This can be done by using the artificial intelligence technique.

2. LITERATURE SURVEY

2.1 Existing problem:

Frequent fires in the Himalayan region of Uttaranchal in the Indian Himalayas have been blamed for forest deterioration. It is true that frequent fires on large scales cause air pollution, mar quality of stream water, threaten biodiversity and spoil the aesthetics of an area, but fire plays an important role in forest ecosystem dynamics. Moreover, it is not fire, but other anthropogenic activities plus fire that are degrading the forest of the Indian Himalayas. In the present study the role of fire in shaping forest structure and composition is analysed. If fire is managed wisely it can be used as the cheapest means of forest management. For this purpose different fire characteristics are assessed together with their interrelationship with forest flora.

2.2 References:

Georgi Hristov et.al. [1] Forest Fires are mainly caused by the actions of humans, but different nature and environmental phenomena, like lightning strikes or spontaneous combustion of dried leaves or sawdust, can also be credited for their occurrence. Regardless of the reasons for the ignition of the forest fires, they usually cause devastating damage to both nature and humans. Forest fires are also considered as a main contributor to the air pollution, due to the fact that during every fire huge number of gases and particle mater are released in the atmosphere. To fight forest fires, different solutions were employed throughout the years. They ware primary aimed at the early detection of the fires. The simplest of these solutions is the establishment of a network of observation posts - both cheap and easy to accomplish, but also time-consuming for the involved people. The constant evolution of the information and communication technologies has led to the introduction of a new generation of solutions for early detection and even prevention of forest fires. ICT-based networks of cameras and sensors and even satellite-based solutions were developed and used in the last decades. These solutions have greatly decreased the direct involvement of humans in the forest fire detection process, but have also proven to be expensive and hard to maintain. In this paper we will discuss and present two different emerging solutions for early detection of forest fires. The first of these solutions involves the use of unmanned aerial vehicles (UAVs) with specialized cameras. Several different scenarios for the possible use of the drones for forest fire detection will be presented and analysed, including a Date 18 September 2022 Team ID PNT2022TMID06660 Project Name Emerging Methods for Early Detection of Forest Fires Maximum Marks 2 Marks solution with the use of a combination between a fixed-wing and a rotary-wing UAVs. In the next chapter of the paper, we will present and discuss the possibilities for development of systems for early forest fire detection using Lora WAN sensor networks

and we will analyse and present some of the hardware and software components for the realisation of such sensor networks.

Chi Yuan et.al. [2] Over the last decade, UAV-based forest fire fighting technology has shown increasing promise. This paper presents a systematic overview of current progress in this field. First, a brief review of the development and system architecture of UAV systems for forest fire monitoring, detection, and fighting is provided. Next, technologies related to UAV forest fire monitoring, detection, and fighting are briefly reviewed, including those associated with fire detection, diagnosis, and prognosis, image vibration elimination, and cooperative control of UAVs. The final section outlines existing challenges and potential solutions in the application of UAVs to forest firefighting.

Mohamed Hefeeda et.al. [3] Early detection of forest fires is the primary way of minimizing their damages. We first present the key aspects in modelling forest fires according to the Fire Weather Index (FWI) System which is one of the most comprehensive forest fire danger rating systems in North America. Then, we model the forest fire detection problem as a node kcoverage problem ($k \geq 1$). We propose approximation algorithms for the node k-coverage problem which is shown to be NP-hard. We present a constant-factor centralized algorithm, and a fully distributed version which does not require sensors know their locations.

Priyadarshini M Hanamaraddi et.al. [4] Forests can purify water, stabilize soil, cycle nutrients, moderate climate, and store carbon. They can create habitat for wildlife and nurture environments rich in biological diversity. They can also contribute billions of dollars to the country's economic wealth. However, hundreds of millions of hectares of forests are unfortunately devastated by forest fire each year. Forest fire has been constantly threatening to ecological systems, infrastructure, and public safety. In the image processing-based forest fire detection, method adopts rule-based colour model due to its less complexity and effectiveness. The method not only separates fire flame pixels but also separates high temperature fire centre pixels by taking in to account of statistical parameters of fire image like mean and standard deviation. This paper presents a literature study on Image processing for forest fire detection.

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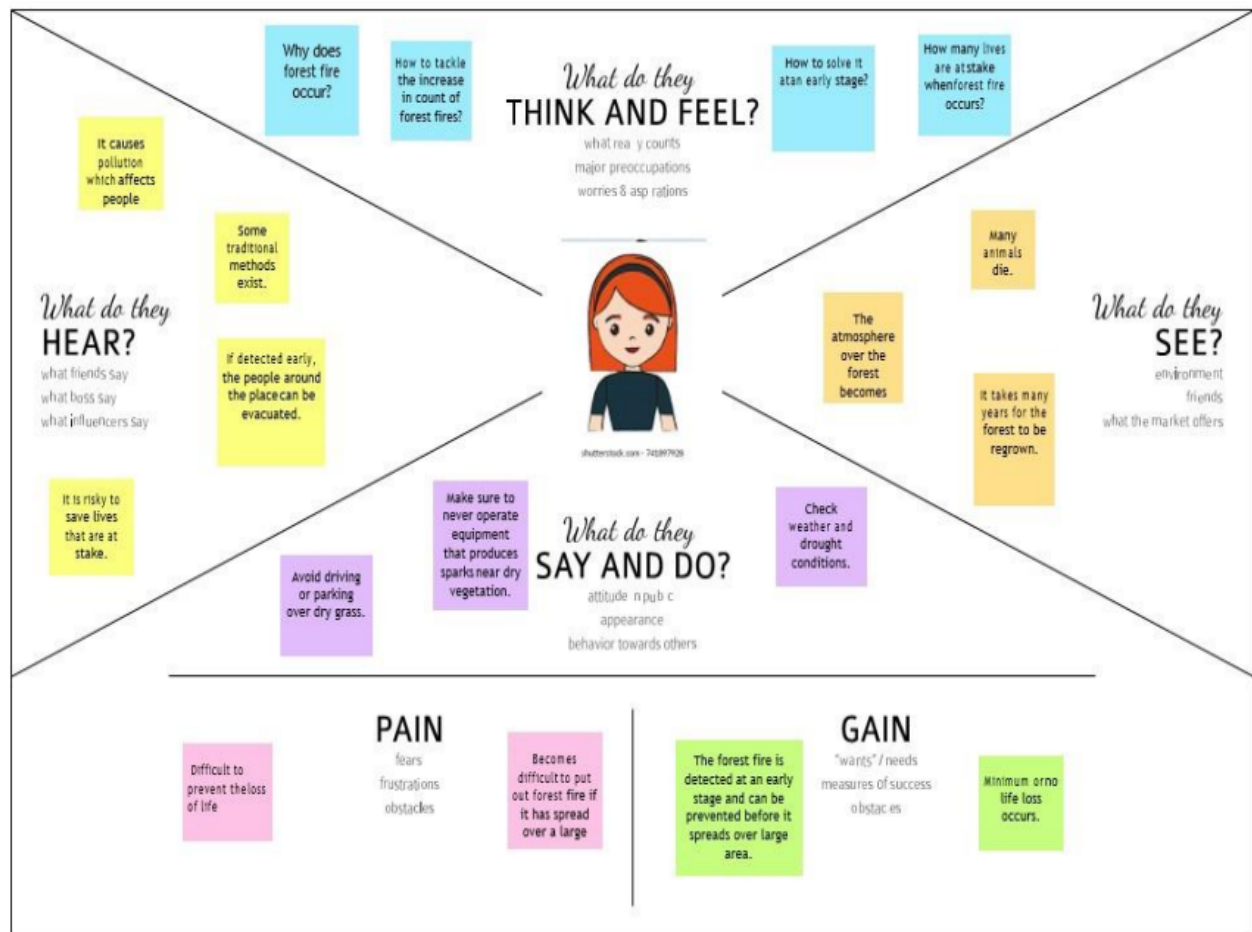
2.3 Problem Statement Definition:

Forest fires are a major environmental issue, creating economic and ecological damage while endangering human lives. There are typically about 100,000 wildfires in the United States every year. Over 9 million acres of land have been destroyed due to treacherous wildfires. It is difficult to predict and detect Forest Fire in a sparsely populated forest area and it is more difficult if the prediction is done using ground-based methods like Camera or Video-Based approach. Satellites can be an important source of data prior to and also during the Fire due to its reliability and efficiency. The various real-time forest fire detection and prediction approaches, with the goal of informing the local fire authorities.

3. IDEATION & PROPOSED SOLUTION

3.1 Empathy Map Canvas:

An empathy map is a simple, easy-to-digest visual that captures knowledge about a user's behaviours and attitudes. It is a useful tool to help teams better understand their users. Creating an effective solution requires understanding the true problem and the person who is experiencing it. The exercise of creating the map helps participants consider things from the user's perspective along with his or her goals and challenges.



Ideation



Brainstorming

Step-2: Brainstorm, Idea Listing and Grouping

Brainstorm
Write down any ideas that come to mind that address your problem statement.

10 minutes

Tip
There are many sticky notes around the room. Pick up as many as you want to use.

HARIHARAN V

- Detect by smoke
- Detects by climate changes

VELAN T

- Detects by flame
- Detects any electrical shortage that can cause fire

SANTHOSHKUMAR R

- Detects by spark
- Detects spark due to lightning

KAMESHKANNAN J, MUKESH M

- Detects by temperature regularly
- Monitors 24/7

Group Ideas
Take turns sharing your ideas while clustering similar or related notes as you go. In the last 10 minutes, give each cluster a sentence-like label. If a cluster is bigger than six sticky notes, try and see if you can break it up into smaller sub-groups.

20 minutes

By detect the forest fire,

Reduces the air pollution

Reduces the landslides, soil erosion by protecting strong rooted trees

No loss of life and resources

Reduce co2

No need of manual monitoring

3.3 Proposed Solution:

S/no	Parameter	Description
1	Problem Statement (Problem to be solved)	A forest fire risk prediction algorithm, based on support vector machines, is presented. The algorithm depends on previous weather conditions in order to predict the fire hazard level of a day.
2	Idea / Solution description	Use computer vision methods for recognition and detection of smoke or fire.
3	Novelty / Uniqueness	Real time computer program detect forest fire in earliest before it spread to larger area.
4	Impact on society	Blocked roads and railway lines, electricity, mobile and land telephone lines cut, destruction of homes and industries.
5	Business Model (Revenue Model)	The proposed method was implemented using the Python programming language on a Core i3 or greater (CPU and 4GB RAM.)
6	Scalability of the Solution	Computer vision models enable land cover classification and smoke detection from satellite and ground cameras

3.4 Problem Solution fit:

Define CS, fit into CC	1. CUSTOMER SEGMENT(S) CS Who is your customer? i.e. working parents of 0-5 y.o. kids The forest resources which plays a vital role in sustaining lives on the earth, therefore to preserve them from unexpected outbreak of fire and smoke. The forest management team do need this device in fire prone areas.	6. CUSTOMER CONSTRAINTS CC What constraints prevent your customers from taking action or limit their choices of solutions? i.e. spending power, budget, no cash, network connection, available devices. Climatic changes and the greenhouses gases are the reasons behind the destruction. Along with this the human factor to greedily use resources also play a vital reason for the forest fires.	5. AVAILABLE SOLUTIONS AS Which solutions are available to the customers when they face the problem or need to get the job done? What have they tried in the past? What pros & cons do these solutions have? i.e. pen and paper is an alternative to digital notetaking Existing systems uses optical sensors for detecting forest fires. As fire is detected the sensors sends signal to the office of forest management. Among with that satellites are used to detect IR rays spotted in forest lands.	Explore AS, differentiate
	2. JOBS-TO-BE-DONE / PROBLEMS J&P Which jobs-to-be-done (or problems) do you address for your customers? There could be more than one; explore different sides. The main problem that exists is weather and climate by releasing large number of carbon dioxide, carbon monoxide and fine particulate matter into the atmosphere.	9. PROBLEM ROOT CAUSE RC What is the real reason that this problem exists? What is the back story behind the need to do this job? i.e. customers have to do it because of the change in regulations. The reasons possible are: 1. Due to natural causes- Lightning 2. Man-made causes- Naked flame, cigarette, electric spark Thus, continuous care and monitoring is needed to preserve natural resources to save lives.	7. BEHAVIOUR BE What does your customer do to address the problem and get the job done? i.e. directly related: find the right solar panel installer, calculate usage and benefits; indirectly associated: customers spend free time on volunteering work (i.e. Greenpeace) When fire is detected the system which is implemented to monitor the forests sets the alarm to ring, that is it gives the signal through which fire management team and the forest committee tries to call off the fire. Thus, the aim is to recognize the fire as early as possible to prevent spread of fire which will cause further damage to control.	

Identify strong TR & EM	3. TRIGGERS TR What triggers customers to act? i.e. seeing their neighbor installing solar panels, reading about a more efficient solution in the news. The unconscious behavior towards burned cigarette left, chances of leaving the campfire remained burnt and electric supply being disrupted	10. YOUR SOLUTION SL If you are working on an existing business, write down your current solution first, fill in the canvas, and check how much it fits reality. If you are working on a new business proposition, then keep it blank until you fill in the canvas and come up with a solution that fits within customer limitations, solves a problem and matches customer behavior. To minimize these losses, we have proposed a solution to detect early detection of forest fires by using CCTV camera surveillance, which can detect fire in indoor and outdoor activities. Thus instant alerts has to be sent to the forest management office so that they can take further actions to disrupt the damage caused by the fire.	8. CHANNELS of BEHAVIOUR CH 8.1 ONLINE What kind of actions do customers take online? Extract online channels from #7 8.2 OFFLINE What kind of actions do customers take offline? Extract offline channels from #7 and use them for customer development. Online Detection: Thus the chatbot or the API can connect through internet to feed you with the current status of the forest. Offline Detection: Thus, the forest management can send notice to the nearby residential areas or the media can bring the awareness through news, radio.	Identify strong TR & EM
	4. EMOTIONS: BEFORE / AFTER EM How do customers feel when they face a problem or a job and afterwards? i.e. lost, insecure > confident, in control - use it in your communication strategy & design. Wildfires can cause lot of stress since the factor that influence their direction and intensity are unpredictable and can change at anytime. People who have lived through wildfires can face dramatic mood swings, anxiety and mood-swings.			

4. REQUIREMENT ANALYSIS

4.1 Functional requirement:

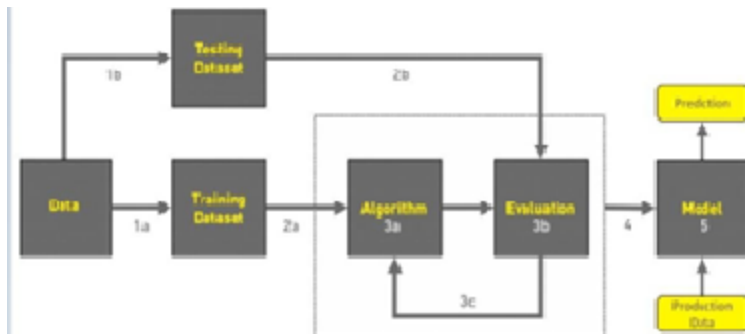
FR No.	Functional Requirement (Epic)	SubRequirement (Story / Sub-Task)
FR-1	User Registration	Registration throughGmail
FR-2	User Confirmation	Confirmation via EmailConfirmation via OTP
FR-3	User Login	Login usingcredentials
FR-4	User Search	Search forInfo on forestfire occurrence
FR-5	User Profile	User shall be givena live feedof the forest
FR-6	User Application	User is alerted if there is a forestfire occurrence intheirsurroundings

4.2 Non-Functional requirements:

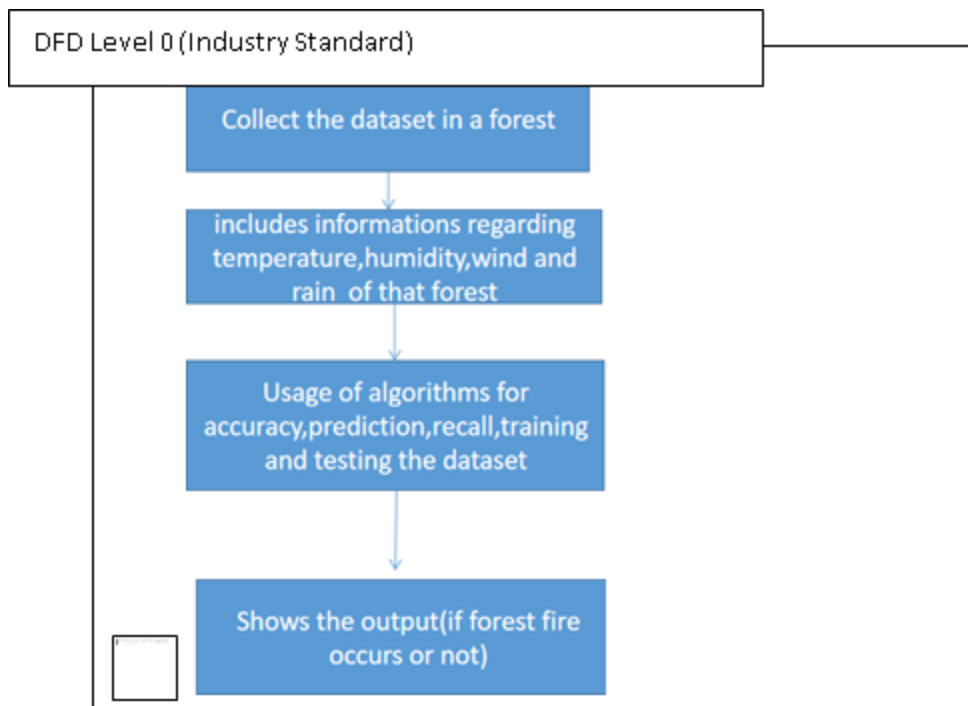
FR No.	Non-Functional Requirement	Description
NFR-1	Usability	Alerts according to the userlocation
NFR-2	Security	Instant live feed withalert of thesituation
NFR-3	Reliability	The prediction of the forest fire is 87% accurate
NFR-4	Performance	The feed and the alert message an immediateaction withouta lag
NFR-5	Availability	The application gives alertsand live feeds24/7
NFR-6	Scalability	Early detection and alerting usersare doneefficiently and in a faster means

5. PROJECT DESIGN

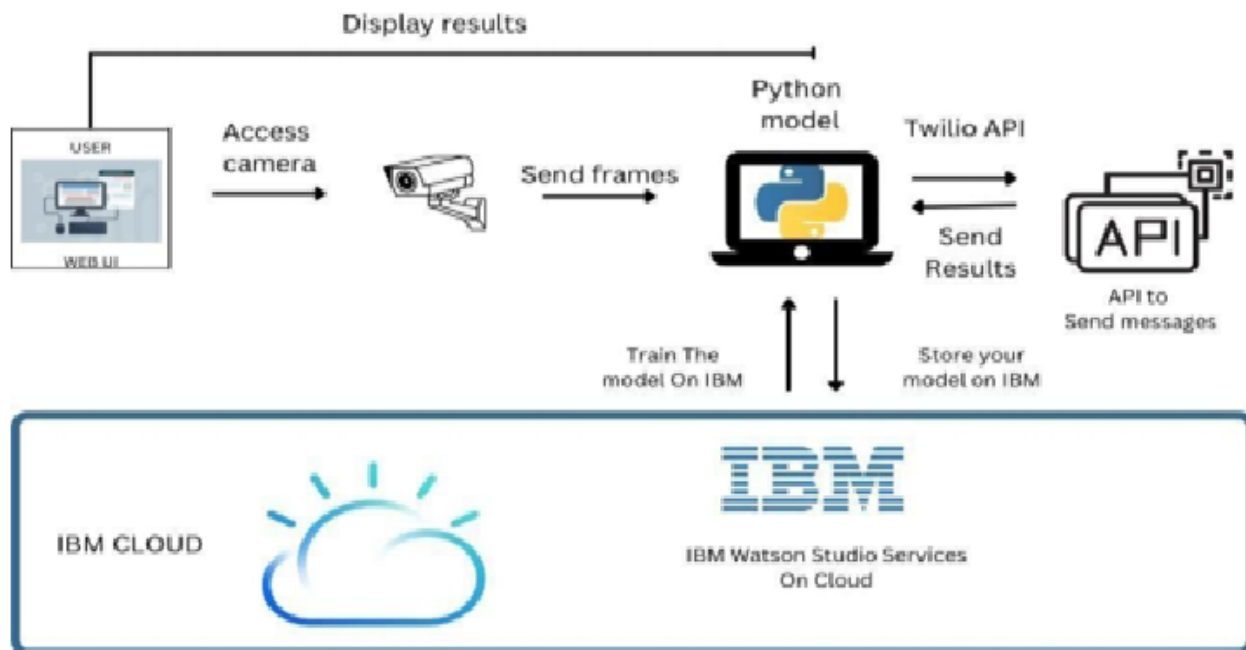
5.1 Data Flow Diagrams:



1. COLLECT DATA
2. EVALUATE DATA SET
3. IMPLEMENT ALGORITHMS
4. EVALUATE THE ACCURACY OF EACH ALGORITHM
5. DISPLAY RESULTS



5.2 Solution & Technical Architecture:



5.3 User Stories:

User Type	Functional Requirement (Epic)	User Story Number	User Story/ Task	Acceptance criteria	Priority	Release
Environmental ist	Collect the data	USN-1	As an Environmentalist,it is necessary to collect thedata of theforest which includes temperature,humidi ty,wind and rain of theforest	It is necessary to collectthe right data else the prediction may becomewrong	High	Sprint-1
		USN-2	Identify algorithms that can be used forprediction	To collect the algorithm to identify the accuracy level of each algorithms	Medium	Sprint-2
		USN-3	Identify the accuracy of each algorithms	Accuracy of each algorithm- calculated so that it is easy to obtain themost accurate output	High	Sprint-2
		USN-4	Evaluate the Dataset	Data is evaluated before processing	Medium	Sprint-1
		USN-5	Identify accuracy,precision ,recall of each algorithms	These values are important for obtaining theright output	High	Sprint-3
		USN-6	Outputs from eachalgorithm are obtained	It is highly used to predictthe effect and to take precautionary measures.	High	Sprint-4

6. PROJECT PLANNING & SCHEDULING

6.1 Sprint Planning & Estimation:

Sprint	Functional Requirement (Epic)	User Story Number	User Story /Task	Story Points	Priority	Team Members
Sprint-1	Data Collection	USN-1	Collect Dataset	20	High	Hariharan V Velan T Mukesh M Kameshkannan J Santhosh Kumar R
Sprint-1		USN-2	Image preprocessing	20	High	Hariharan V Velan T Mukesh M Kameshkannan J Santhosh Kumar R
Sprint-2	Model Building	USN-3	Import the required libraries, add the necessary layers and compile the mode	20	High	Hariharan V Velan T Mukesh M Kameshkannan J Santhosh Kumar R
Sprint-2		USN-4	Training the image classification model using CNN	20	High	Hariharan V Velan T Mukesh M Kameshkannan J Santhosh Kumar R
Sprint-3	Training and Testing	USN-5	Training the model and testing the model's performance	20	High	Hariharan V Velan T Mukesh M Kameshkannan J Santhosh Kumar R
Sprint-4	Implementation of the application	USN-6	When it is the wildfire then the alarm system is activated. And the alarm will be sent to the corresponding department and required action will be taken soon to control the fire.	20	High	Hariharan V Velan T Mukesh M Kameshkannan J Santhosh Kumar R

6.2 Sprint Delivery Schedule:

Sprint	Total story points	Duration	Sprint StartDate	Sprint End Date (Planned)	Story Points Completed (as on Planned End Date)	Sprint Release Date(Actual)
Sprint-1	20	6 Days	24 Oct 2022	29 Oct 2022	20	29 Oct 2022
Sprint-2	20	6 Days	31 Oct 2022	05 Nov 2022	20	05 Nov 2022
Sprint-3	20	6 Days	07 Nov 2022	12 Nov 2022	20	12 Nov 2022
Sprint-4	20	6 Days	14 Nov 2022	19 Nov 2022	20	19 Nov 2022

7. CODING & SOLUTIONING (Explain the features added in the project along with code)

7.1 Feature 1:

We uploaded the dataset that is given and have divided the classes into train set and data set and preprocessed the image. The output is shown here.

```
In [3]: #Applying ImageDataGenerator functionality to trainset
x_train=train_datagen.flow_from_directory('/content/drive/MyDrive/Dataset/train_set',target_size=(128,128),batch_size=32,class_mode='binary')

Found 439 images belonging to 2 classes.

In [4]: #Applying ImageDataGenerator functionality to testset
x_test=test_datagen.flow_from_directory('/content/drive/MyDrive/Dataset/test_set',target_size=(128,128),batch_size=32,class_mode='binary')

Found 121 images belonging to 2 classes.
```

7.2 Feature 2:

After the image preprocessing we have done the model building. The model building output is shown here.

```
In [27]: #Load the saved model
model = load_model("forest1.h5")

In [29]: img=image.load_img('/content/drive/MyDrive/Dataset/test_set/with fire/180802_CarrFire_010_large_700x467.jpg')
x=image.img_to_array(img)
res = cv2.resize(x, dsize=(128, 128), interpolation=cv2.INTER_CUBIC)
#expand the image shape
x=np.expand_dims(res,axis=0)

In [31]: pred=model.predict(x)

1/1 [=====] - 0s 31ms/step

In [32]: pred

Out[32]: array([[1.]], dtype=float32)

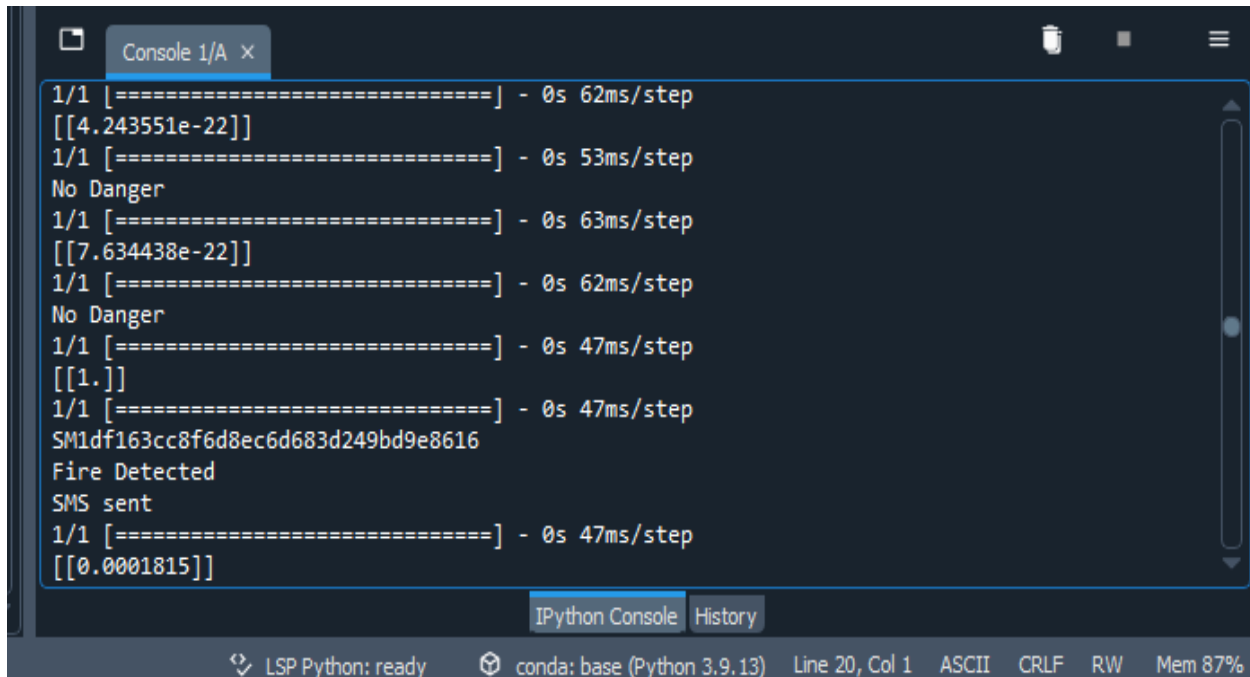
In [ ]:
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By using the above forest1.h5 model we can take our desired output according to the input.

8. TESTING

8.1 Test Cases:

By the showing image of forest fire the desired output of "Forest fire is detected,stay alert" is sent via SMS form twilio service.By showing the image of forest the desired output is no danger.



```
Console 1/A x
1/1 [=====] - 0s 62ms/step
[[4.243551e-22]]
1/1 [=====] - 0s 53ms/step
No Danger
1/1 [=====] - 0s 63ms/step
[[7.634438e-22]]
1/1 [=====] - 0s 62ms/step
No Danger
1/1 [=====] - 0s 47ms/step
[[1.]]
1/1 [=====] - 0s 47ms/step
SM1df163cc8f6d8ec6d683d249bd9e8616
Fire Detected
SMS sent
1/1 [=====] - 0s 47ms/step
[[0.0001815]]

IPython Console History
LSP Python: ready conda: base (Python 3.9.13) Line 20, Col 1 ASCII CRLF RW Mem 87%
```

8.2 User Acceptance Testing:

We have tested our project by showing the image of forest with fire and forest without fire.The output is shown above.

9. RESULTS

9.1 Performance Metrics:

Model evaluation

```
In [27]: #Load the saved model
model = load_model("forest1.h5")
```

```
In [29]: img=image.load_img('/content/drive/MyDrive/Dataset/test_set/with fire/180802_CarrFire_010_large_700x467.jpg')
x=image.img_to_array(img)
res = cv2.resize(x, dsize=(128, 128), interpolation=cv2.INTER_CUBIC)
#expand the image shape
x=np.expand_dims(res,axis=0)
```

```
In [31]: pred=model.predict(x)

1/1 [=====] - 0s 31ms/step
```

```
In [32]: pred
```

```
Out[32]: array([[1.]], dtype=float32)
```

```
In [ ]:
```

10. ADVANTAGES & DISADVANTAGES

ADVANTAGES:

- Avoid Smoke Inhalation. The most important reason is perhaps the only one you really need.
- Early Detection. The earlier a fire is detected, the faster it will be that firefighters will respond.
- Insurance Discounts.
- 24/7 Monitoring.
- Easy & Affordable.

DISADVANTAGES:

- The system is essentially useless if the batteries aren't charged, since it won't work properly.
- There is a bit of a burden to business owners to always remember to keep the batteries fresh so the system operates properly when you need it most.

11. CONCLUSION

Early fire detection is best achieved by the installation and maintenance of fire detection equipment in all areas of the forest.

12. FUTURE SCOPE

The future will be with multicriteria detection in which the detector will be more of a sensor, with the detection more for the products of combustion, such as carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide, sulfur dioxide, nitrogen oxides in addition to heat and particulate matter.

13. APPENDIX

Source Code: Python code

```
#import opencv librariy
import cv2
#import numpy
import numpy as np
#import image function from keras
from keras.preprocessing import image
#import load_model from keras
from keras.models import load_model
#import client from twilio API
from twilio.rest import Client
#imort playsound package
from playsound import playsound

#load the saved model
model = load_model(r'forest1.h5')
#define video
video = cv2.VideoCapture(0)
#define the features
name = ['forest','with forest']

account_sid = 'AC557b4c7a685d072baa73125f61031af3'
auth_token = 'a59cd5e5fdiddcc9ab008273557f8f78'
client = Client(account_sid, auth_token)

message = client.messages \
    .create(
        body='Forest fire is detected , stay alert',
        from_='+14247991869',
        to='+918940722793'
    )

print(message.sid)

#import opencv library
import cv2
```

```

#import numpy
import numpy as np
#import images and load_model function from keras
from keras_preprocessing import image
from keras.models import load_model
#import client from twilio API
from twilio.rest import Client
#import playsound package
from playsound import playsound

#load the saved model
model = load_model(r'forest1.h5')
video = cv2.VideoCapture(0)
name = ['forest','with fire']

while(1):

    success, frame=video.read()
    cv2.imwrite("image.jpg",frame)
    img=image.load_img("image.jpg",target_size=(128,128,3))
    x=image.img_to_array(img)
    x=np.expand_dims(x,axis=0)
    pred=model.predict(x)
    p=pred[0]
    print(pred)
    ##cv2.putText(frame,"predicted class= "+str(name[p]), (100,100),
    ##      cv2.FONT_HERSHEY_SIMPLEX, 1, (0,0,0), 1)
    pred=model.predict(x)

    if pred[0]==1:

        account_sid = 'AC557b4c7a685d072baa73125f61031af3'
        auth_token = 'a59cd5e5fd5ddcc9ab008273557f8f78'
        client = Client(account_sid, auth_token)
        message=client.messages\
        .create(

```

```
body='Forest Fire is Detected, stay alert',
from_='+14247991869',to='+918940722793')

print(message.sid)
print('Fire Detected')
print('SMS sent')
playsound(r'C:\Users\My\Downloads\buzzer.mp3')

else:
    print("No Danger")

    cv2.imshow("image",frame)

    if cv2.waitKey(1) & 0xFF ==ord('a'):
        break
video.release()
cv2.destroyAllWindows()
```

GitHub Link:

<https://github.com/IBM-EPBL/IBM-Project-30317-1660144027>

Project Demo Link:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?app=desktop&v=Gx_6e-lpxTc