

Industry 4.0 Warehouse Management System

R25-062



Meet our team



Mayukha Palihena

IT21079672



Adilu Abeydeera

IT21822780



Sidath Tharana

IT21822094



Visura Suranjith

IT21318184



Dr. Samantha Rajapaksha

Supervisor



Dr. Dinuka Wijendra

Co-Supervisor

Introduction

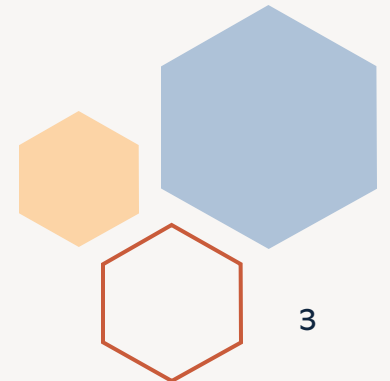
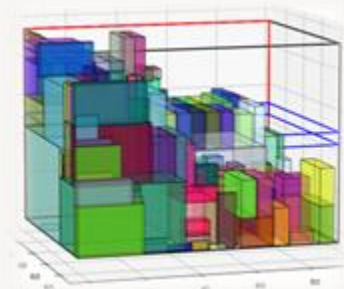


- **Overview:**

- Warehouses are vital components of modern supply chains. Optimizing warehouse operations leads to significant cost savings, improved efficiency, and better service delivery.
- This research focuses on applying Industry 4.0 technologies to improve warehouse management, ensuring the efficient use of space, optimized order picking, better safety measures, and real-time monitoring of stock movements.

- **Challenges Addressed:**

- Space utilization inefficiencies
- Time-consuming order picking processes
- Insufficient fire detection systems
- Lack of real-time stock movement monitoring



Research Questions

A decorative graphic consisting of several hexagons. A large orange hexagon is the central element. To its top right is a smaller blue hexagon. To its bottom right is a very small light orange hexagon. To its left is a white hexagon with a black outline. Another small orange hexagon is partially visible behind the large orange one on the left.

- **Limited Fire Detection:** How can we provide real-time fire alerts near critical areas like racks, hindering rapid response ?
- **Inefficient Space Utilization:** Lack of intelligent systems for dynamically optimizing warehouse space leads to inefficiencies. How can we address that ?
- **Route Inefficiency:** How can we save time and energy by minimizing warehouse route problems ?
- **Stock Instabilities:** How to predict incidents which address sudden movements in stock, leading to undetected inventory issues ?

Main Objective

A decorative graphic consisting of several hexagons. A large orange hexagon is the central element. To its top right is a smaller blue hexagon. To its bottom right is a very small light orange hexagon. To its bottom left is a white hexagon with a dark blue outline. To its left is another white hexagon with a dark blue outline, partially overlapping the large orange one.

To develop an optimized warehouse management system that enhances space utilization, improves inventory turnover adaptability, streamlines year-end evaluations and mitigates risks associated with sensitive goods

Sub Objectives

- Maximize warehouse space utilization by leveraging algorithms to dynamically allocate inventory.
- Develop an optimized order picking and forklift path system that reduces time, enhances safety, and minimizes congestion.
- Implementing systems to detect fire hazards based on proximity to critical zones and trigger real-time alerts.
- Analyse and predict for abnormal stock movements, improving safety and operational efficiency.

Aspect 01

Optimizing the arrangement of products within the best location of a warehouse, to maximize space utilization.



Introduction

Why is product arrangement optimization important?

- Efficient use of warehouse space ensures cost savings.
- Proper arrangement reduces retrieval time and operational inefficiencies.
- Aligns with the overall objective of maximizing warehouse CBM utilization.

Problems



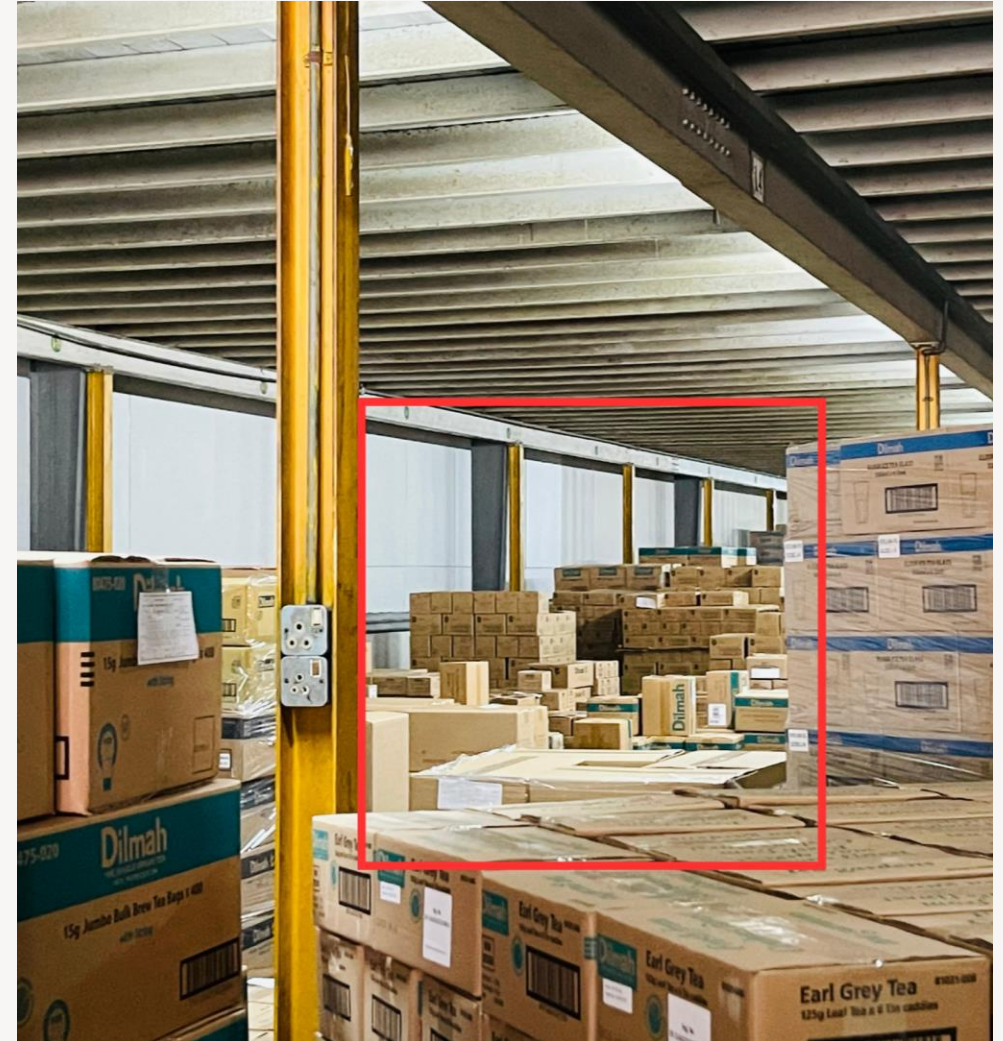
Disorganized layout, leaving gaps and unused areas leads to space wastage

Need for a systematic method to arrange products within predefined locations.

Problems

Difficulty in accommodating products while maintaining accessibility

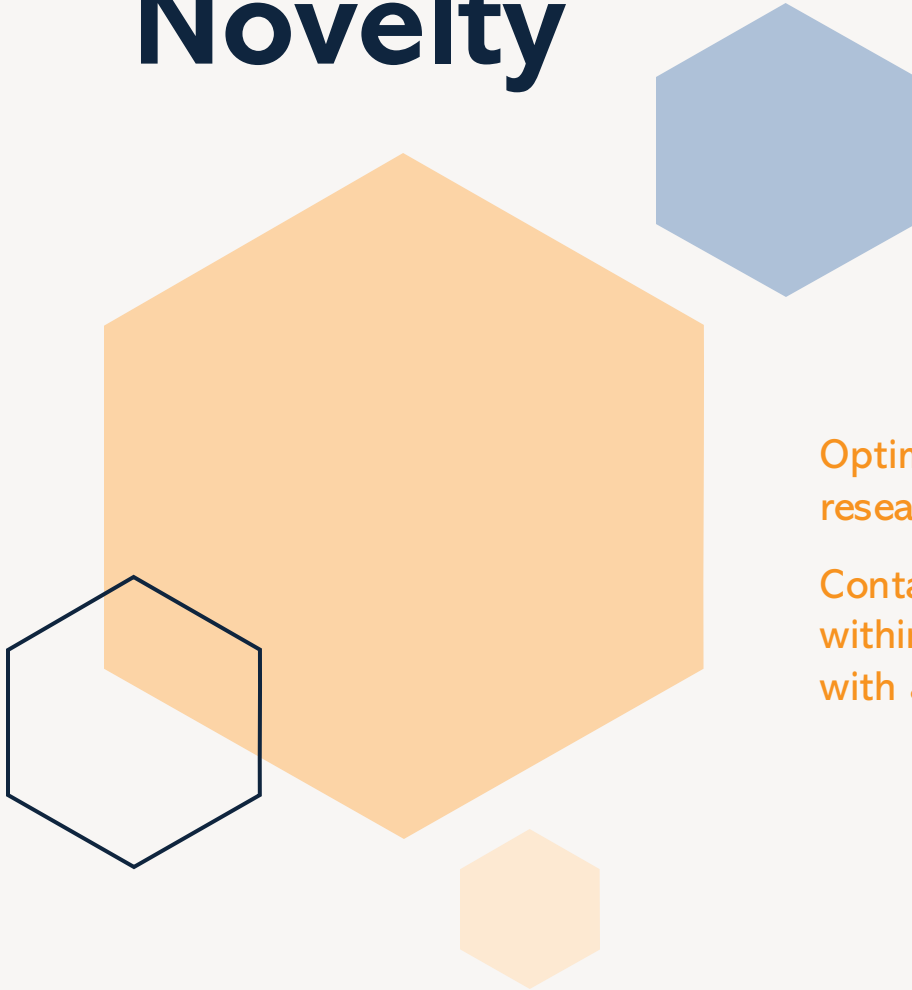
Designed for horizontal storage, leaving significant vertical space underutilized.



Research Gap

	Research A [1]	Research B [2]	Research C [3]	Research D [4]	Proposed Solution
Product Arrangement in Location to Maximize CBM Utilization	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓
Real-Time Visualization of Product Arrangement (2D/3D)	✗	✗	✗	✓	✓
Algorithms for Product Arrangement	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓
Usability and Accessibility in Storing Products	✓	✗	✓	✗	✓

Novelty



Optimizing product arrangements within the best warehouse location, this research leverages CBM-specific strategies, real-time 3D visualization.

Container space optimization: - Leveraging maximum space available within a rack without wasting any space. Drawing the optimized space with allocated objects.

Objectives



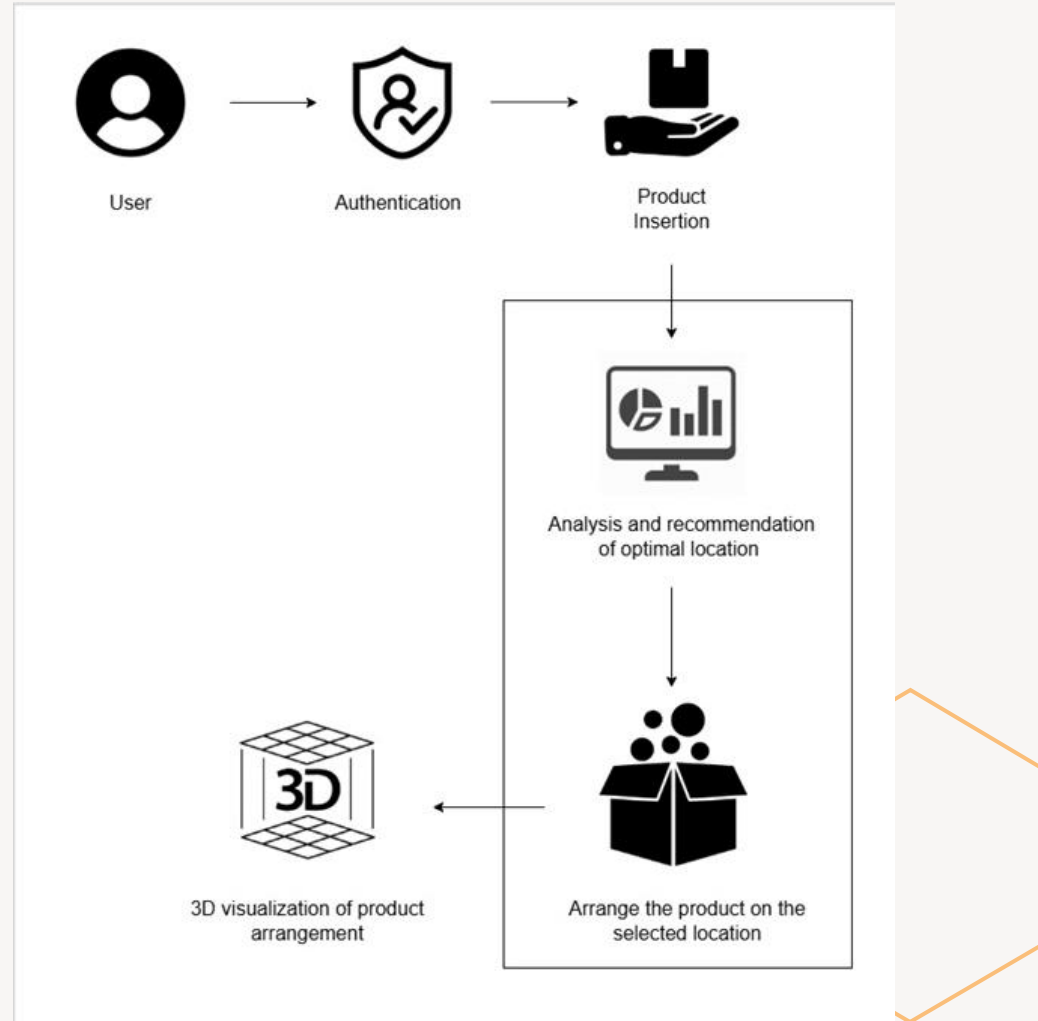
Main Objective

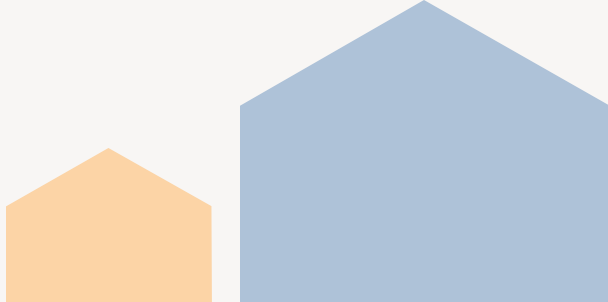
Optimizing the arrangement of products within the best location of a warehouse, to maximize space utilization.

Sub Objectives

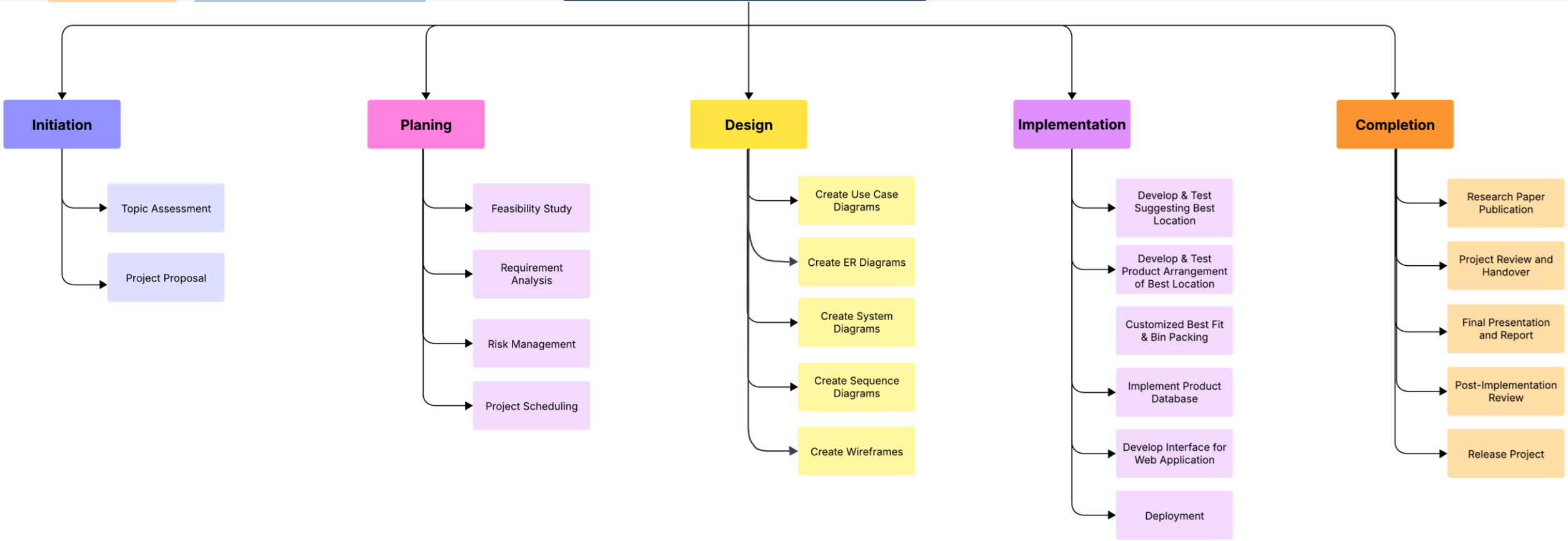
- Create predictive models based on CBM-specific data to optimize product storage arrangements dynamically
- Provide real-time 2D visual representations of optimized product arrangements
- Enhance Usability and Accessibility

Methodology





Work Breakdown Structure



Final Output

Product

CANISTER POUCH RILHENA CEYLON CINNAMON SOUCHONG (STD KWPL008)/50G/06

Recommended shelf: 01 — Shelf 1A (already stores 250 of this product; free space: 4,058,145,000 cm³)

Box Width (cm)

Box Height (cm)

Box Depth (cm)

Product Quantity

Shelf

-- Select Shelf --

Available volume (selected shelf): —

Top spacious shelves: 1. 07 (9,600,000,000 cm³) 2. 09 (9,600,000,000 cm³) 3. 11 (9,588,000,000 cm³)

Shelf Category

Select a shelf first

SAVE PRODUCT

- Shelf Best Suggestion

Recommends the shelf where the selected product already has the highest quantity (co-location).

Shows available volume for the chosen shelf.

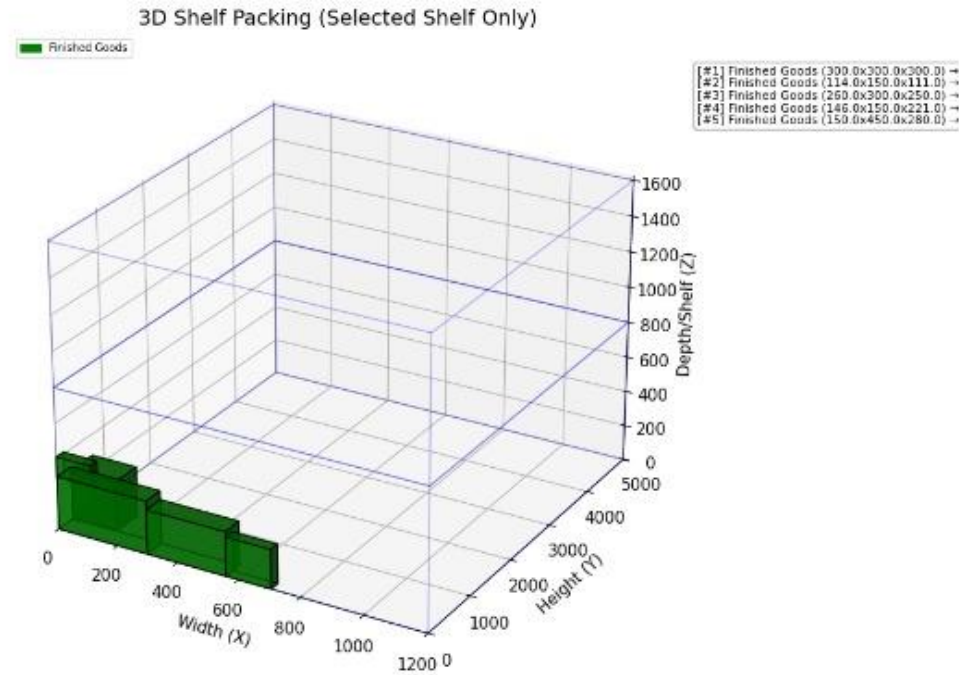
Abeydeera A A A S

IT21822780

R25-062

15

Full Repack Animation



http://127.0.0.1:5000/static/shelf_full_9aed91b4b8ca40b1a2d878b2e6a5e29f.gif

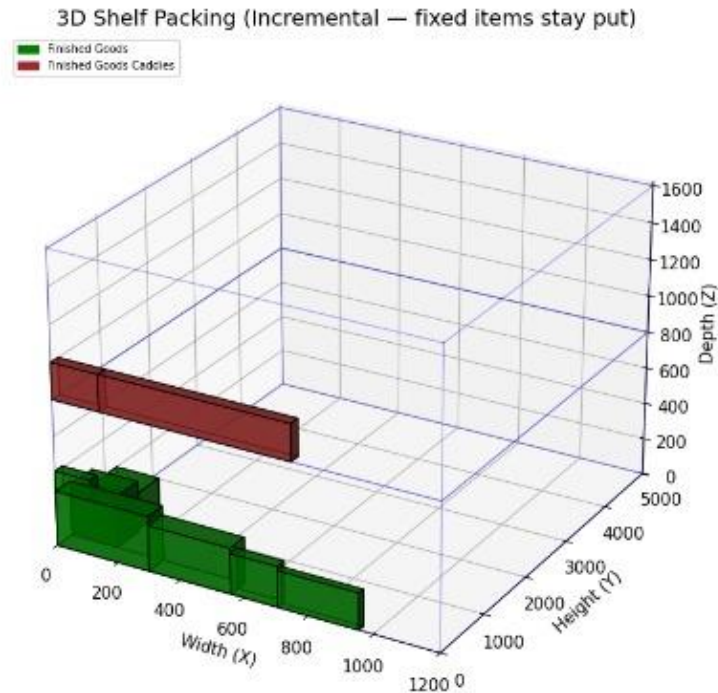
- Full Shelf Optimization

Packs all products for a shelf set using the 3D packer (compatibility respected).

Returns placed_items + free_spaces + unplaced_items JSON.

Optional one-frame GIF/PNG visualization for reports.

Incremental Animation



http://127.0.0.1:5000/static/shelf_inc_7c4110e234414f4e933f940c9c68a8e3.gif

- Empty Space Optimization

Packs all products for a shelf set using the incremental 3D packer (compatibility respected).

Returns placed_items + free_spaces + unplaced_items JSON.

Optional one-frame GIF/PNG visualization for reports.

Results

Better: full

Capacity

9,600,000,000 (vol units)

Full Repack

Free volume: 1,980,615,900

Utilization: 79.37%

Unplaced items: 0

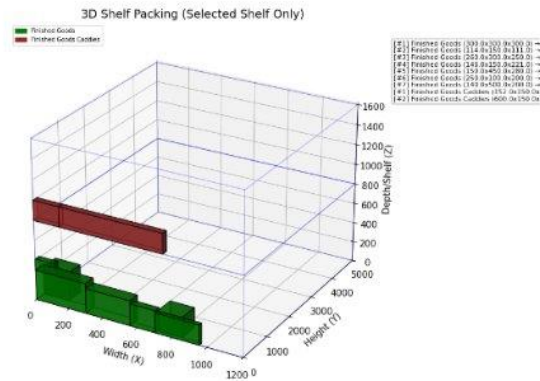
Incremental

Free volume: 335,336,900

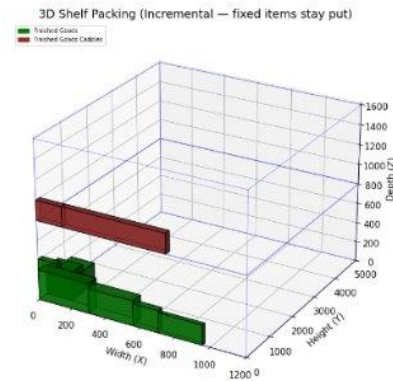
Utilization: 96.51%

Unplaced items: 0

Full Repack Animation



Incremental Animation



Shelf Optimization Comparison

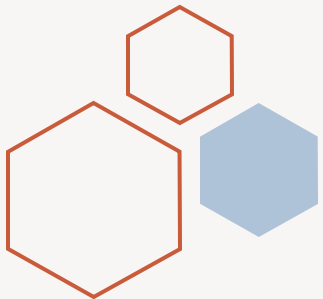
Packs all products for a shelf set using the incremental 3D packer (compatibility respected).

Full shelf optimization and Incremental optimization. Then the recommendation.

Optional one-frame GIF/PNG visualization for reports.

Future Improvements

- **Incremental Free-Space Allocation (finish)**
Place only new items into **persisted free_spaces** without moving existing placements.
- **Full vs Incremental: comparison view**
Report ☒ **Utilization%**, **moved items/volume**, **unplaced**, and **runtime**.
- **Algorithm enhancements.**
- Plan to build a **worker-friendly interface** that directly maps package IDs or barcodes to their exact shelf location.

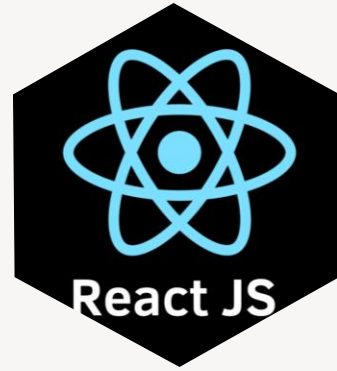


Abeydeera A A A S

IT21822780

R25-062

Technologies



References

- [1] Bartholdi, J.J.; Hackman, S.T. "Warehouse and Distribution Science". 2019. Available online: <https://www.warehouse-science.com/book/index.html> (accessed on 30 May 2020)
- [2] Ignacio Angulo, J.D; Jenny Fajardo, H.R "Optimization of Warehouse Layout for the Minimization of Operation Times". September 2021, Hybrid Artificial Intelligent Systems (pp.649-658)
- [3] Bartholdi JJ, Hackman S (2008) "Allocating space in a forward pick area of a distribution center for small parts". IIE Trans 40(11):1046–1053.
<https://doi.org/10.1080/07408170802167662>
- [4] J. Gu, M. Goetschalckx, and L. F. McGinnis, "Research on warehouse operation: A comprehensive review," *European Journal of Operational Research*, vol. 203, no. 3, pp. 539–549, 2010. [Online]. Available:
<https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S037722170900641X>



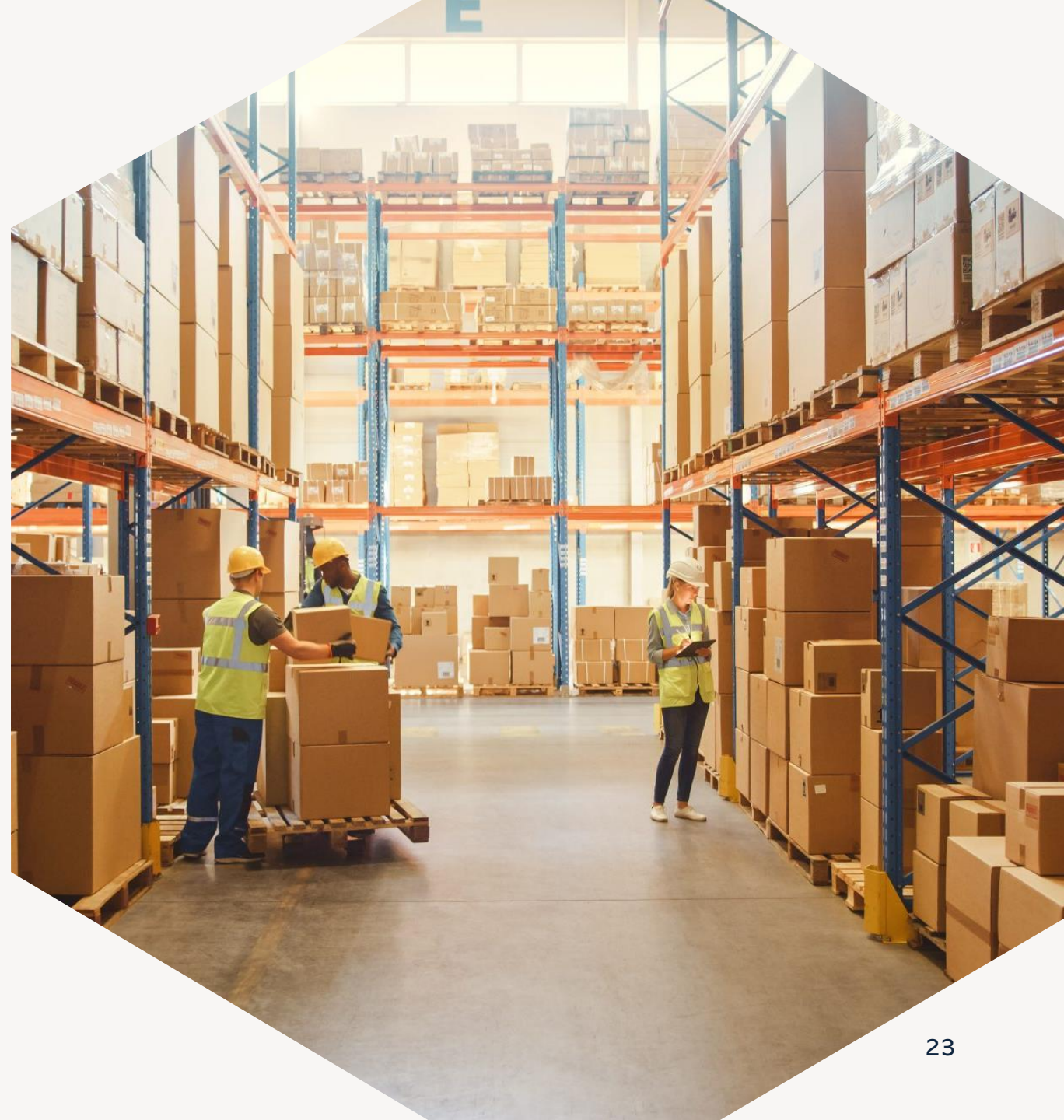
Aspect 02

Order picking route optimization



Introduction

- When a Warehouse user has multiple items to get when fulfilling an order, it can be a time-consuming process, with efficient routes, we can reduce time and energy wasted by the worker.
- This main goal is to implement a pathfinding algorithm used to find the most efficient route for picking orders in a warehouse, considering time & effectiveness.





Research Problem

- How can we optimize worker productivity and efficiency by mapping the path the user needs to take on the Warehouse



Objectives

Main Objective

- Develop an efficient route optimization system for warehouse order pickers and forklifts, using a custom algorithm solution, to reduce time and improve operational efficiency.

Sub Objectives

- Implement the Algorithm which will compute the shortest most efficient path for the user.
- Adjusting the path according to the congestions within the warehouse
- Map the routes of the warehouse, to the warehouse layout.

Research Gap



- **Path Mapping**
 - Mapping the path to fulfill the order, is a function that is not available in the existing system
- **Dynamic Path Adjustment:**
 - Current systems do not dynamically adjust to changes in the warehouse environment, such as congestion or maintenance zones.

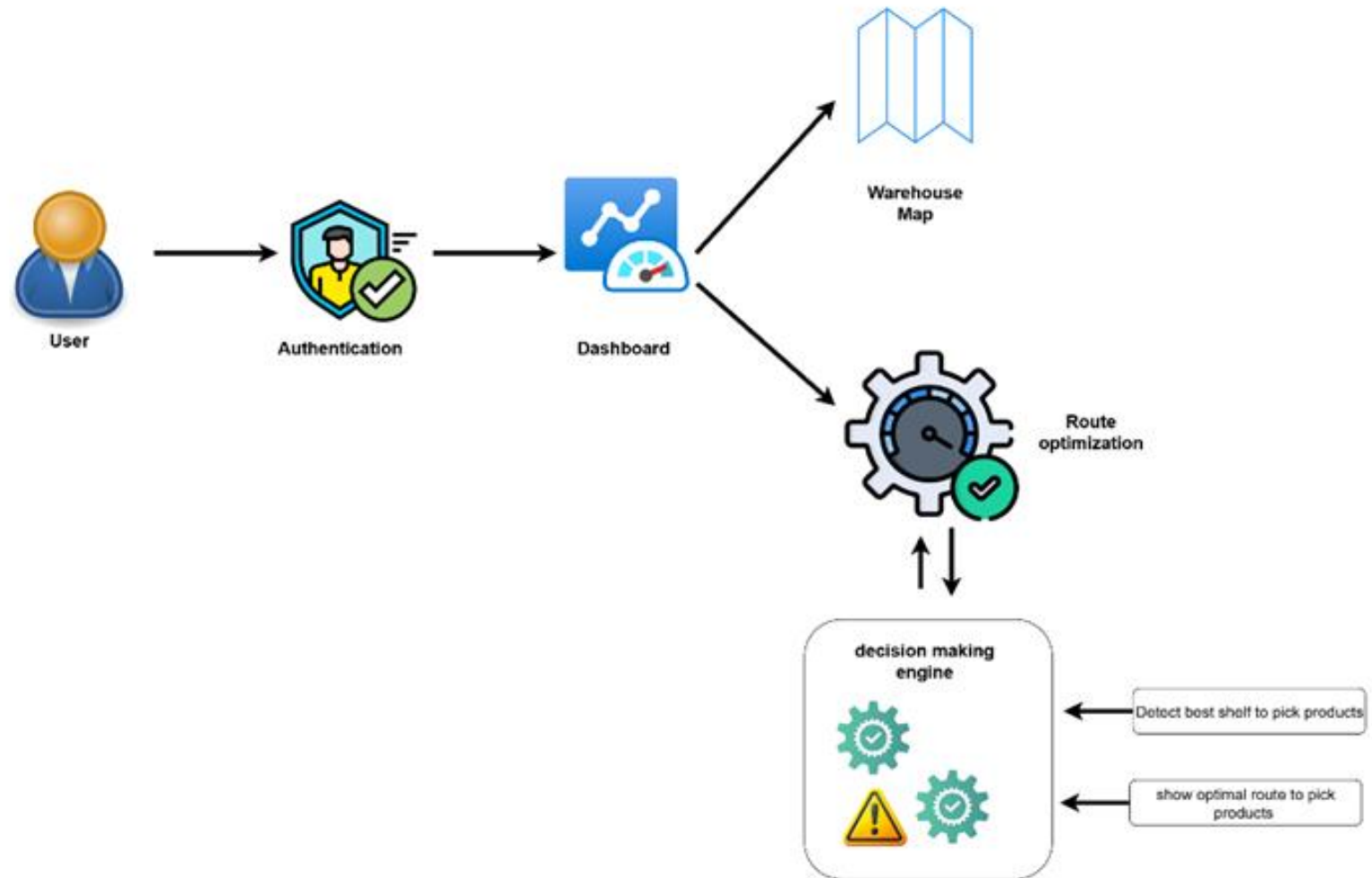
Novelty



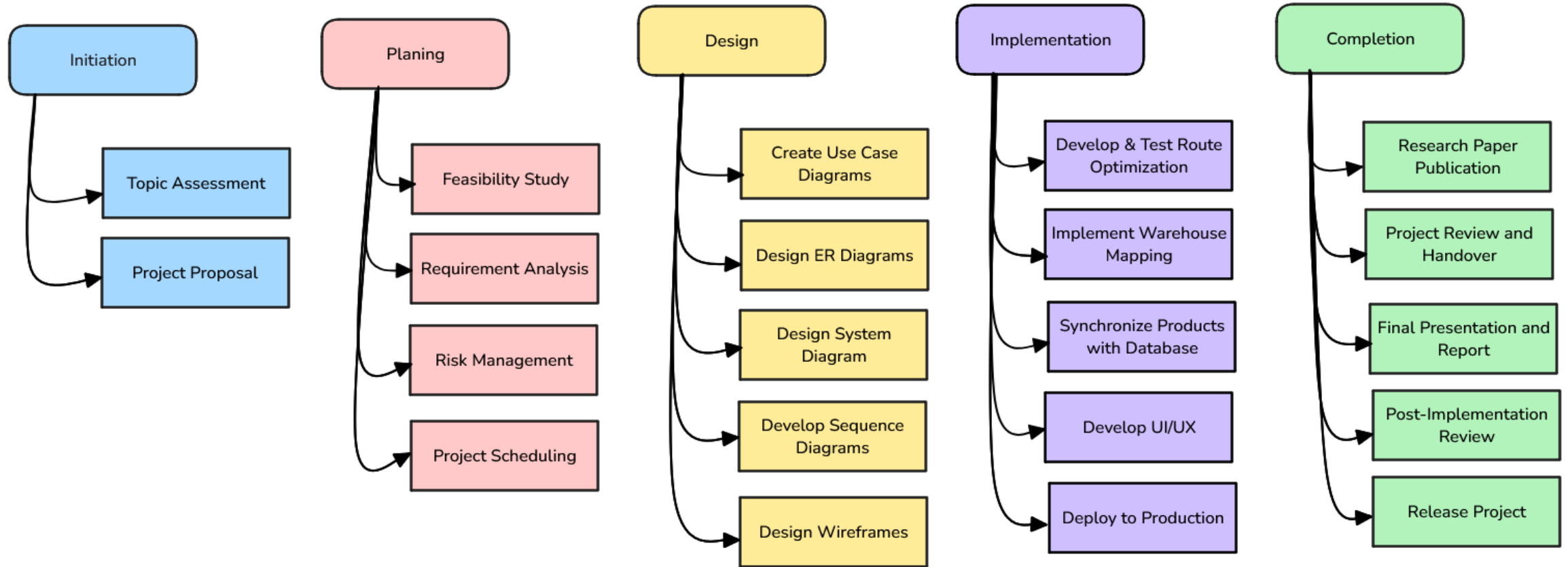
Novelty of this system lies in its dynamic optimization of warehouse navigation. Key novel aspects include:

- Custom Path Finding Algorithms
- Warehouse Implementation
- Collision Avoidance
- Maintenance Zone Integration

Methodology



Work Breakdown Structure



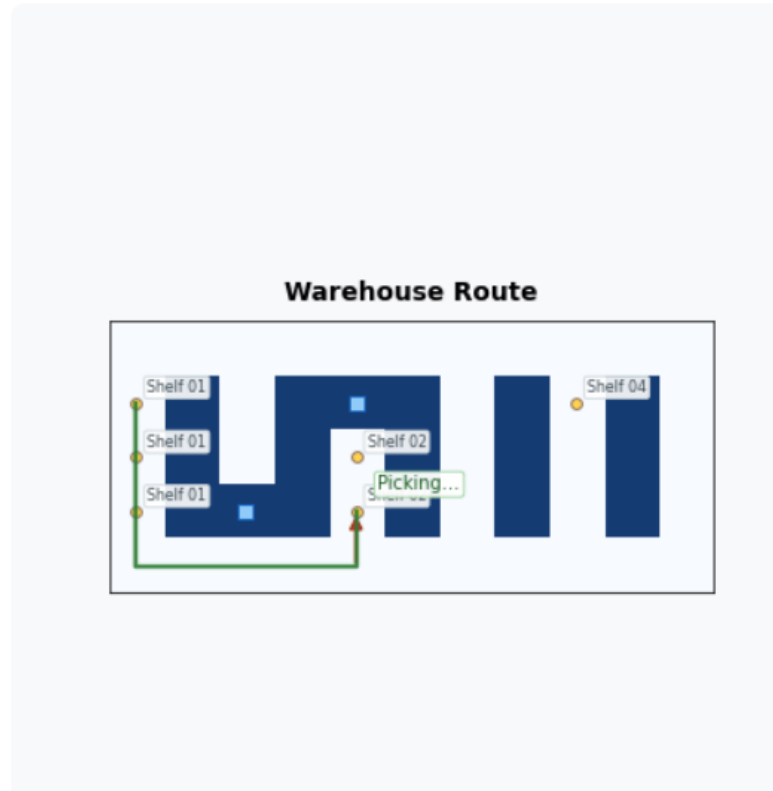
Completed Work

- **Generating the optimal order picking route, within the warehouse.**
- **Avoid Congestions/Stationary Workers within Route in the warehouse.**



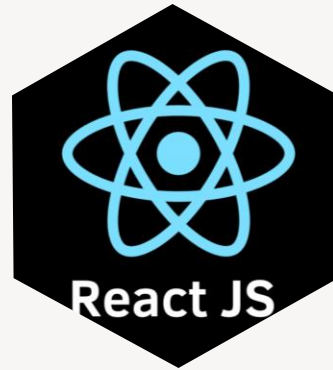
Optimized Route Output

Pathfinding Animation



- TSP Route Sequencing
- Grid-Based Pathfinding

Technologies



React JS



AWS Lambda



Express JS



Google OR



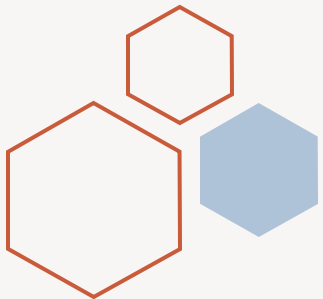
Python



MongoDB

References

- Li, X., et al. (2023). "Optimized Pathfinding in Smart Warehouses." *International Journal of Logistics Management*.
- Y. Zhang, L. Zhang, and W. Li, "Real-time Dynamic Path Planning in Automated Warehouses," *Journal of Warehouse Technology*, 2021.
- "GPS Tracking in Warehouse Management: Real-time Positioning and Path Optimization," *Journal of Supply Chain Management*, 2022.



Aspect 03

Vision-Based Fire Detection and Prevention System for Warehouse Safety Using Real-Time Camera Surveillance



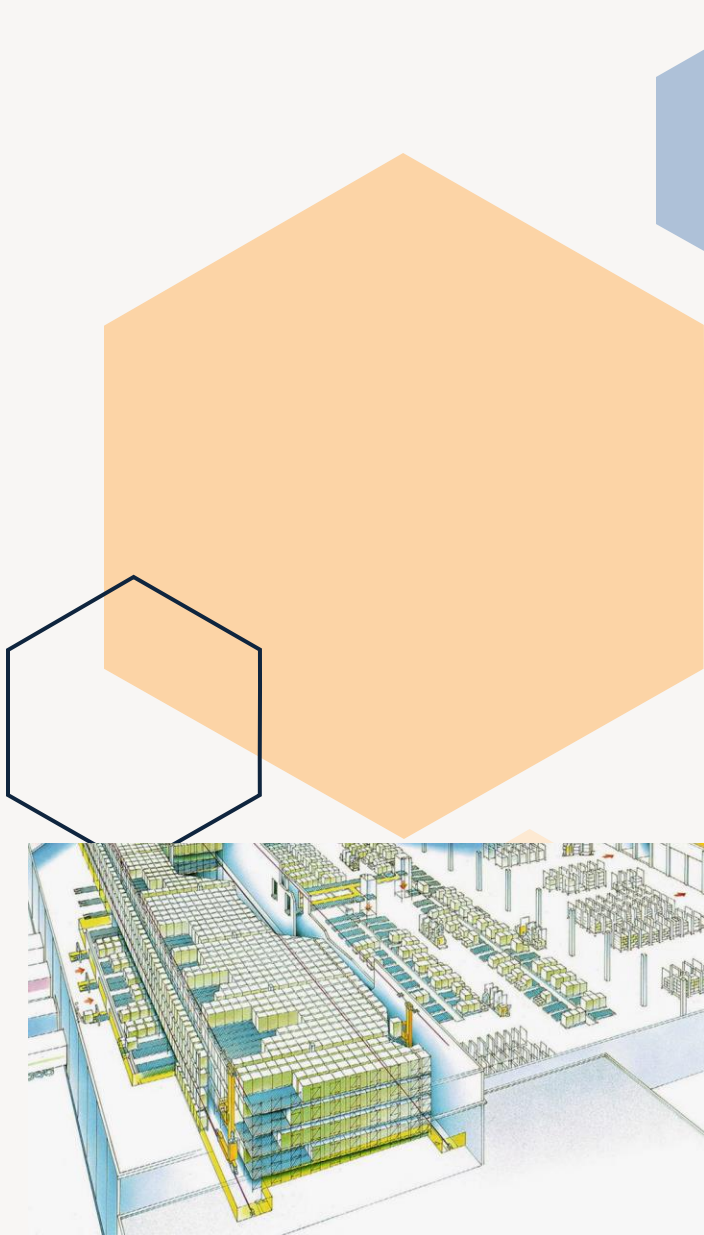
Introduction

- Warehouses face high fire risks that traditional systems often detect too late. This project introduces a real-time, camera-only solution using AI and CCTV to detect fires, assess shelf proximity, classify fire size, and predict spread. Integrated IoT components can trigger fire alarms or suppression systems in the predicted spreading direction, making the approach smart, scalable, and cost-effective for warehouse safety.



Research Problem

- Most fire detection systems are slow and reactive—they only respond after the fire has started growing.
- They don't show where the fire is or how close it is to important assets like shelves.
- They don't estimate fire size, which is critical for response planning.
- They cannot predict fire spread, leaving staff unaware of how fast or where it may move.
- No current system provides a complete, camera-only solution for fire detection, risk analysis, and prediction in warehouse environments.
- When fire is spreading, connected fire alarms must be triggered automatically to ensure rapid staff evacuation and activation of suppression protocols.**



Objectives

Main Objective

- To develop a smart, real-time fire monitoring system using AI and existing warehouse CCTV cameras, providing early alerts and fire risk analysis.

Sub Objectives

- Detect fire (flames or smoke) from video feeds
- Identify shelves or objects near the fire
- Measure the size of the fire (small, medium, large)
- Predict the direction the fire might spread
- Display all information clearly on a user dashboard
- Trigger fire alarms automatically when a fire risk is detected to ensure timely alerts and evacuation

Research Gap

Gap	Description
No full camera-based system	Cameras alone don't detect fire, size, spread, and nearby risks.
Ignores fire surroundings	Fire environment (shelves, items) is not analyzed.
No fire spread prediction	Fire movement and paths are not predicted.
High hardware cost	Extra sensors/IoT devices increase setup and maintenance.
Fire size not linked to alerts	Fire size rarely affects emergency actions or warnings.
Not indoor-ready	Spread models suit outdoors, not complex indoor layouts.
No all-in-one system	Detection, monitoring, and alerts are separate tools.
No alarm integration by fire direction	Fire spread predictions don't trigger directional alarms.

Novelty

The proposed system uses **existing surveillance cameras with no extra hardware needed**. It can **detect fire, measure its size, and identify nearby shelf risks**. By **predicting fire spread**, the system **supports safer evacuation and faster response**. It is **connected to fire alarms**, allowing alerts to trigger based on the **direction of fire spread**. The solution is **cost-effective, easy to install, and scalable** for different warehouse layouts. This makes it particularly **effective in complex indoor environments** and **important for Sri Lanka**, where such technology is currently not in use.



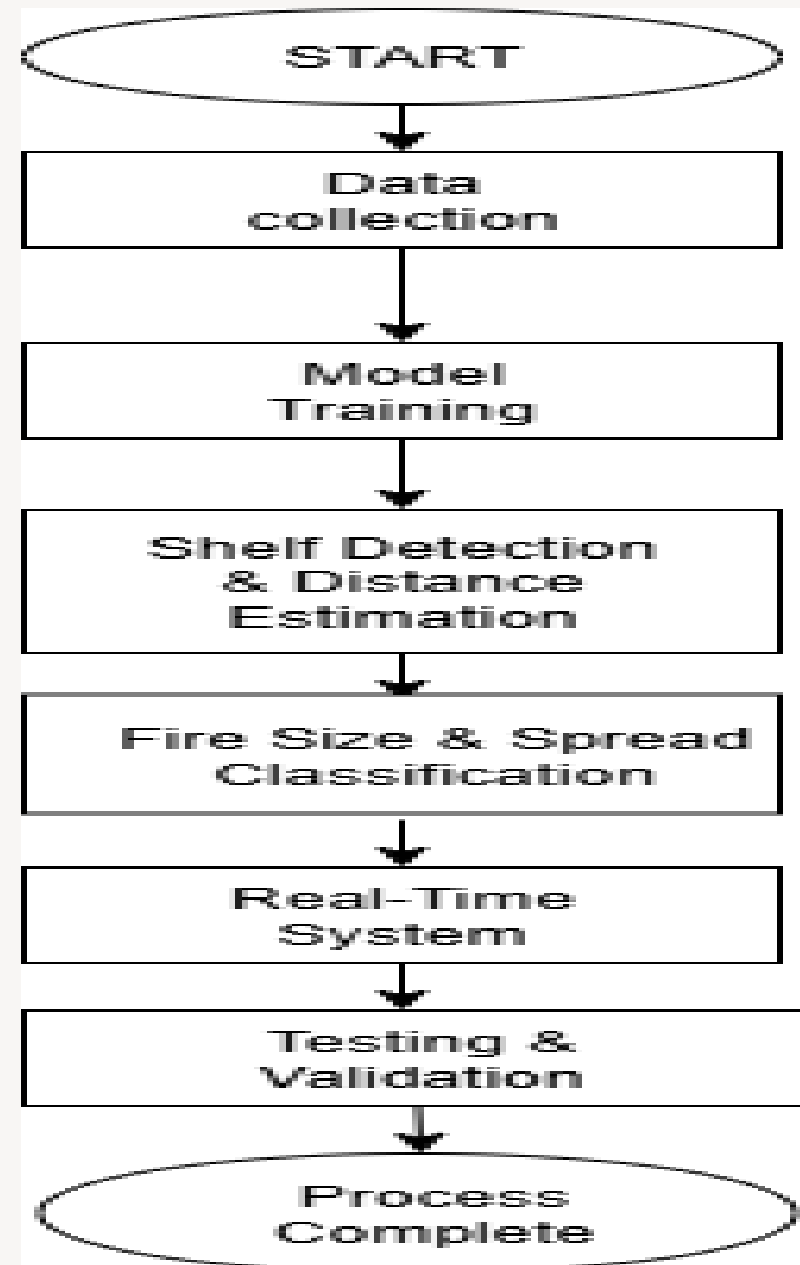
Methodology

Use AI models like YOLO and CNN to detect fire and shelves

Estimate fire size with image processing

Predict spread using video sequences

Combine all features into one real-time dashboard for monitoring



Final Progress

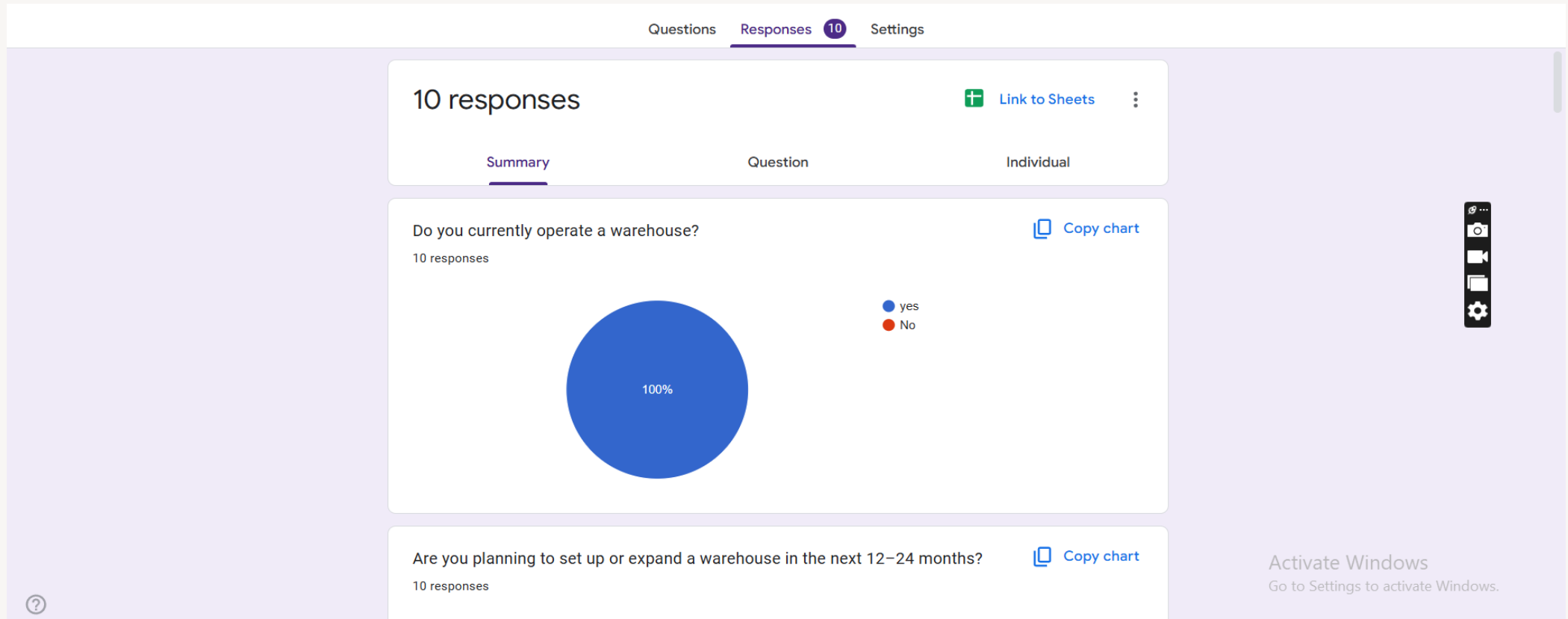
most existing systems are expensive and don't give enough information.

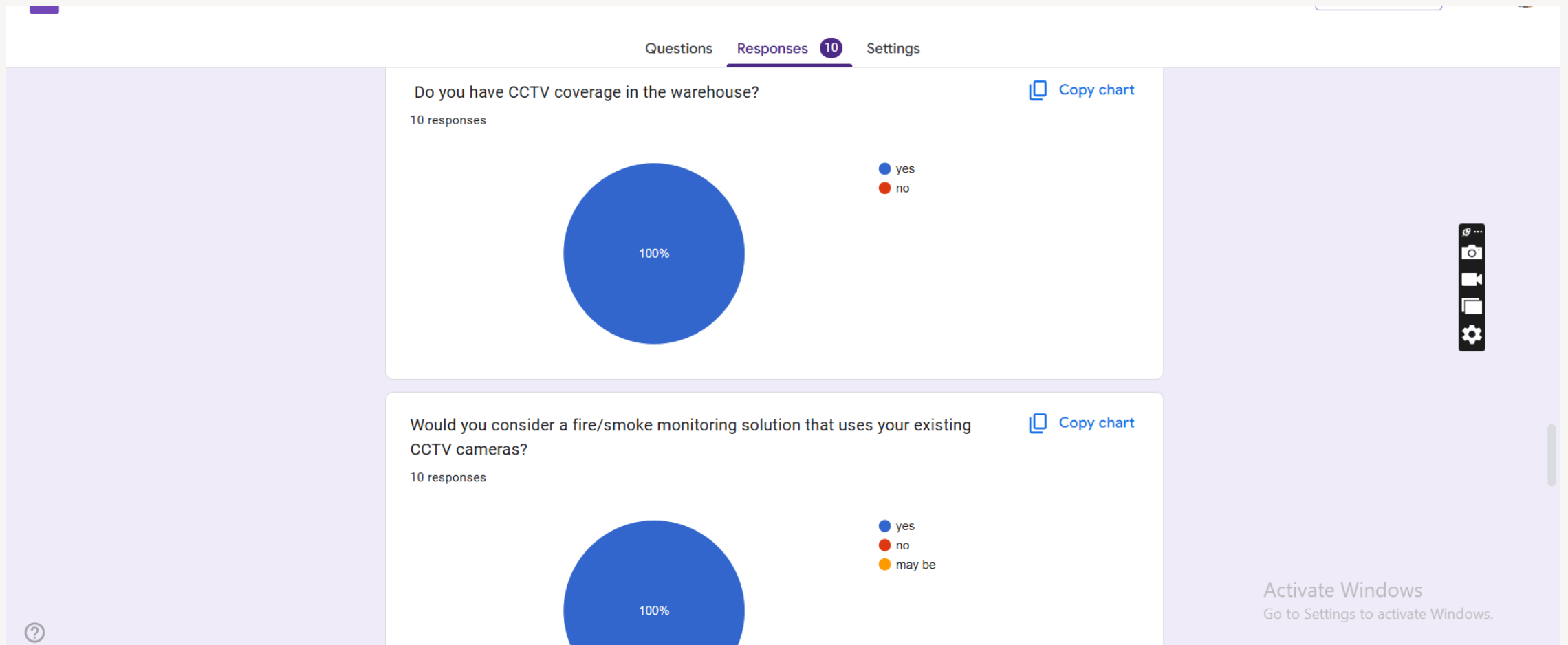
From a survey of 10 warehouse owners, we learned they need an affordable, smart solution.

That's why we developed a CCTV-based fire monitoring system that detects fire, estimates shelf distance, classifies fire size, and predicts fire spread in real-time using deep learning."



Google Form Results

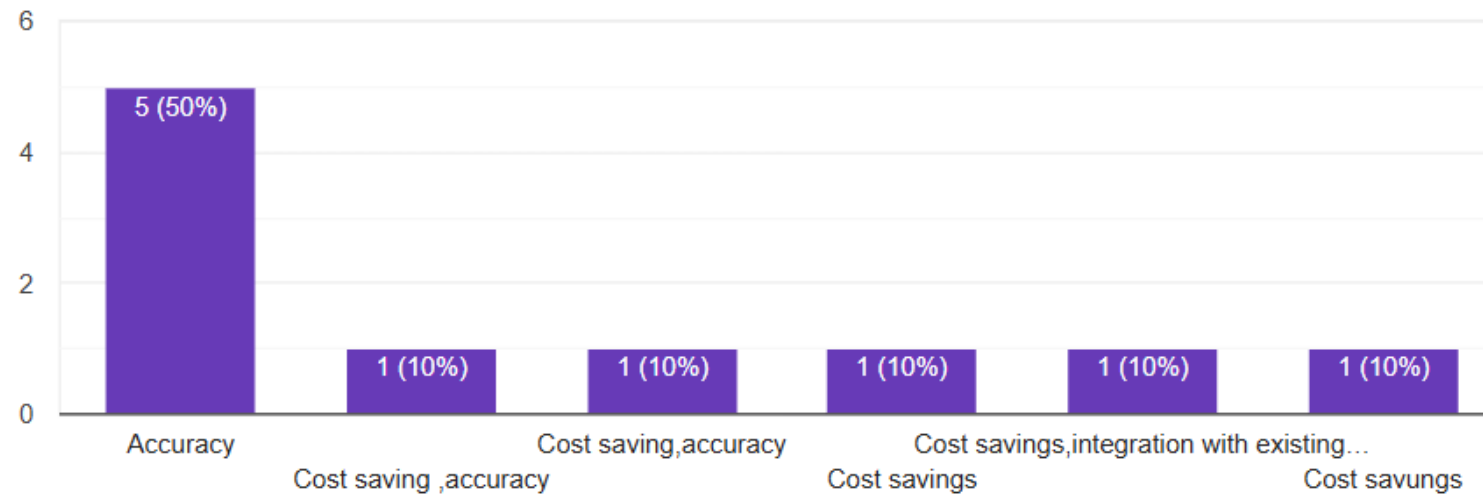




What factors would most influence your decision?(Accuracy, false-alarm rate, compliance/certification, integration with existing systems, cost savings, scalability, vendor support, data privacy)

 [Copy chart](#)

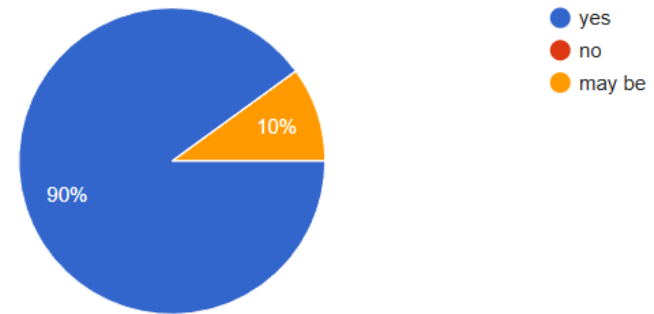
10 responses



If a CCTV-based fire detection system met your requirements, would you pilot it?
(Yes/No/Maybe; timeline)

 [Copy chart](#)

10 responses



Activate Windows
Go to Settings to activate

Now you can see they are fond to system like that
,with existing CCTV and accuracy ,cost saving
method

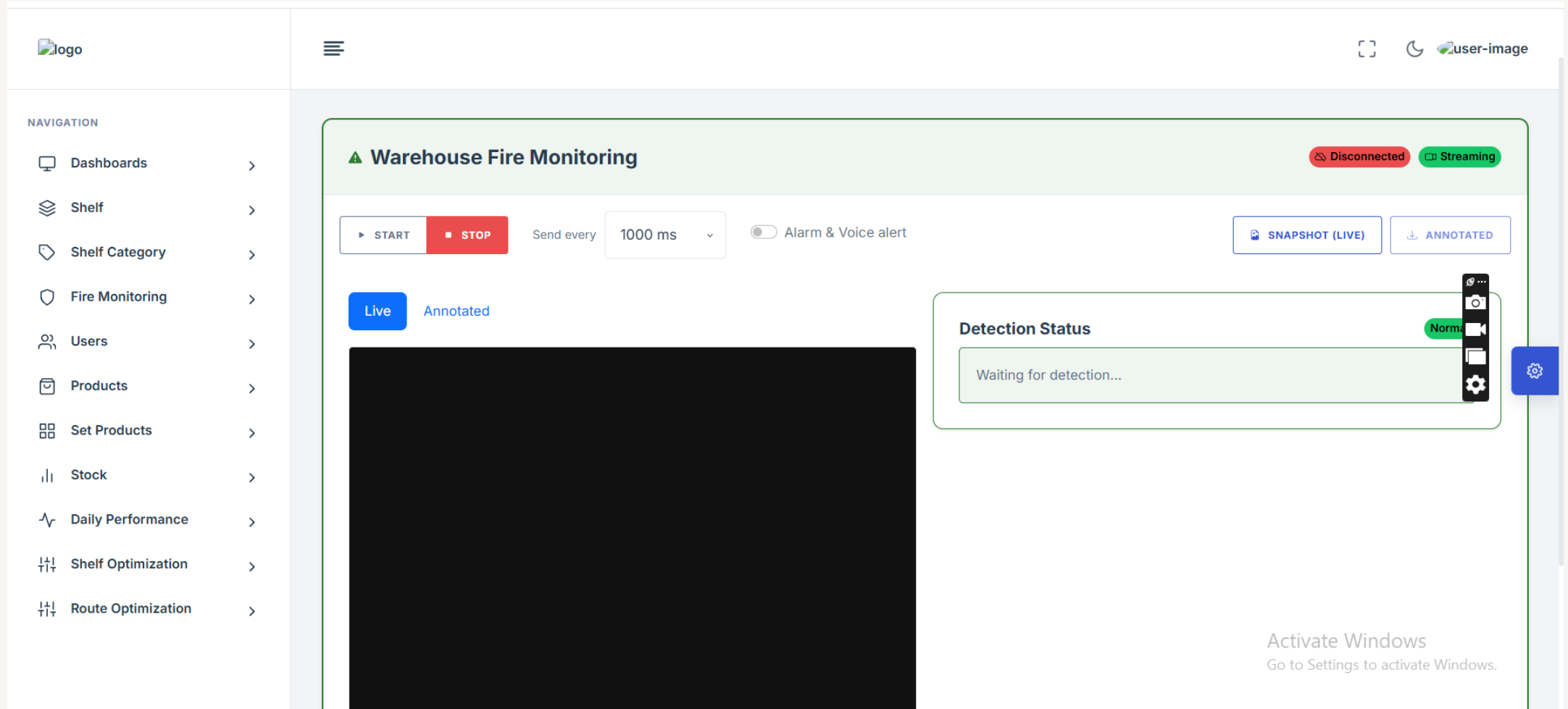
Relevant Laws / Regulations in Sri Lanka

Factories Ordinance Section 39-42A: For “factories” (which may include large industrial warehouses), the Ordinance requires “effective provision for giving warning in case of fire, which shall be clearly audible throughout the building.

LawNet +1 Also requires fire-fighting appliances, and ability for escape,

LawNet +1 Local Authority Building / Fire Safety Certificate Requirements Municipal / city councils include fire exit signs, manual fire alarm or automatic alarm required to get a license to approval. from Municipal Council

Before input



After input

Dilmah WMS

NAVIGATION

Dashboards

>

Shelf

>

Shelf Category

>

Fire Monitoring

>

Users

>

Products

>

Set Products

>

Stock

>

Daily Performance

>

Shelf Optimization

>

Route Optimization

>

Last sent: 10:46:12 PM

Last received: 10:46:13 PM

Sending: No

Detection Status

warning

Fire detected!

Confidence

39%

Fires

ID	SIZE	CONF	DISTANCE (M)	DIRECTION
40	Medium Fire	39%	0.86	Left (Up-Left)

Shelves

0

No shelves detected.

Fire-Shelf Proximity

Activate Windows

Go to Settings to activate Windows.

0

No proximity data.

Fire detection training accuracy

```
Epoch  GPU_mem  box_loss  cls_loss  dfl_loss  Instances  Size
19/20   8.76G    1.614    1.624    1.751      11      640: 100%|██████████| 88/88 [00:47<00:00, 1.86it/s]
      Class  Images  Instances  Box(P      R      mAP50  mAP50-95): 100%|██████████| 13/13 [00:05<00:00, 2.21it/s]

Epoch  GPU_mem  box_loss  cls_loss  dfl_loss  Instances  Size
20/20   8.89G    1.594    1.612    1.708      15      640: 100%|██████████| 88/88 [00:46<00:00, 1.87it/s]
      Class  Images  Instances  Box(P      R      mAP50  mAP50-95): 100%|██████████| 13/13 [00:06<00:00, 2.14it/s]

20 epochs completed in 0.317 hours.
Optimizer stripped from runs/detect/yolov8l_fire_detection/weights/last.pt, 52.0MB
Optimizer stripped from runs/detect/yolov8l_fire_detection/weights/best.pt, 52.0MB

Validating runs/detect/yolov8l_fire_detection/weights/best.pt...
Ultralytics 8.3.101 Python-3.11.11 torch-2.6.0+cu124 CUDA:0 (Tesla T4, 15095MiB)
Model summary (fused): 92 layers, 25,840,339 parameters, 0 gradients, 78.7 GFLOPs
      Class  Images  Instances  Box(P      R      mAP50  mAP50-95): 100%|██████████| 13/13 [00:08<00:00, 1.59it/s]
      all      401      647      0.552    0.504    0.531    0.268

Speed: 0.3ms preprocess, 10.3ms inference, 0.0ms loss, 2.8ms postprocess per image
Results saved to runs/detect/yolov8l_fire_detection
ultralytics.utils.metrics.DetMetrics object with attributes:
```


Shelf training loose and accuracy

```
Epoch: 16/20 GPU_mem: 8.60G box_loss: 0.6529 cls_loss: 0.6601 dfl_loss: 1.316 Instances: 1 Size: 640: 100% [00:11:00:00, 2.021t/s]
Class: Images Instances: Box(P) R mAP50 mAP50-95: 100% [00:01:00:00, 2.271t/s] all 100 114 0.879 0.826 0.898 0.722

Epoch: 17/20 GPU_mem: 8.60G box_loss: 0.6221 cls_loss: 0.6221 dfl_loss: 1.309 Instances: 1 Size: 640: 100% [00:11:00:00, 2.081t/s]
Class: Images Instances: Box(P) R mAP50 mAP50-95: 100% [00:01:00:00, 2.731t/s] all 100 114 0.918 0.842 0.898 0.696

Epoch: 18/20 GPU_mem: 8.15G box_loss: 0.6073 cls_loss: 0.6059 dfl_loss: 1.259 Instances: 1 Size: 640: 100% [00:11:00:00, 2.021t/s]
Class: Images Instances: Box(P) R mAP50 mAP50-95: 100% [00:01:00:00, 2.961t/s] all 100 114 0.917 0.886 0.926 0.743

Epoch: 19/20 GPU_mem: 8.21G box_loss: 0.6079 cls_loss: 0.5693 dfl_loss: 1.273 Instances: 2 Size: 640: 100% [00:11:00:00, 2.031t/s]
Class: Images Instances: Box(P) R mAP50 mAP50-95: 100% [00:01:00:00, 2.931t/s] all 100 114 0.934 0.873 0.932 0.748

Epoch: 20/20 GPU_mem: 8.29G box_loss: 0.5214 cls_loss: 0.4838 dfl_loss: 1.148 Instances: 1 Size: 640: 100% [00:11:00:00, 2.021t/s]
Class: Images Instances: Box(P) R mAP50 mAP50-95: 100% [00:01:00:00, 2.971t/s] all 100 114 0.911 0.901 0.938 0.771

20 epochs completed in 0.878 hours.
Optimizer stripped from runs/detect/yolov8l_shelves_detection/weights/last.pt, 52.00G
Optimizer stripped from runs/detect/yolov8l_shelves_detection/weights/best.pt, 52.00G

Validating runs/detect/yolov8l_shelves_detection/weights/best.pt...
Ultralytics 8.3.101 Python 3.11.11 torch 2.6.0+cu124 CUDA:0 (Tesla T4, 15095MiB)
Model summary (fused): 92 layers, 25,840,339 parameters, 0 gradients, 70.7 GFLOPs
Class Images Instances Box(P) R mAP50 mAP50-95: 100% [00:02:00:00, 1.481t/s]
all 100 114 0.911 0.901 0.938 0.771

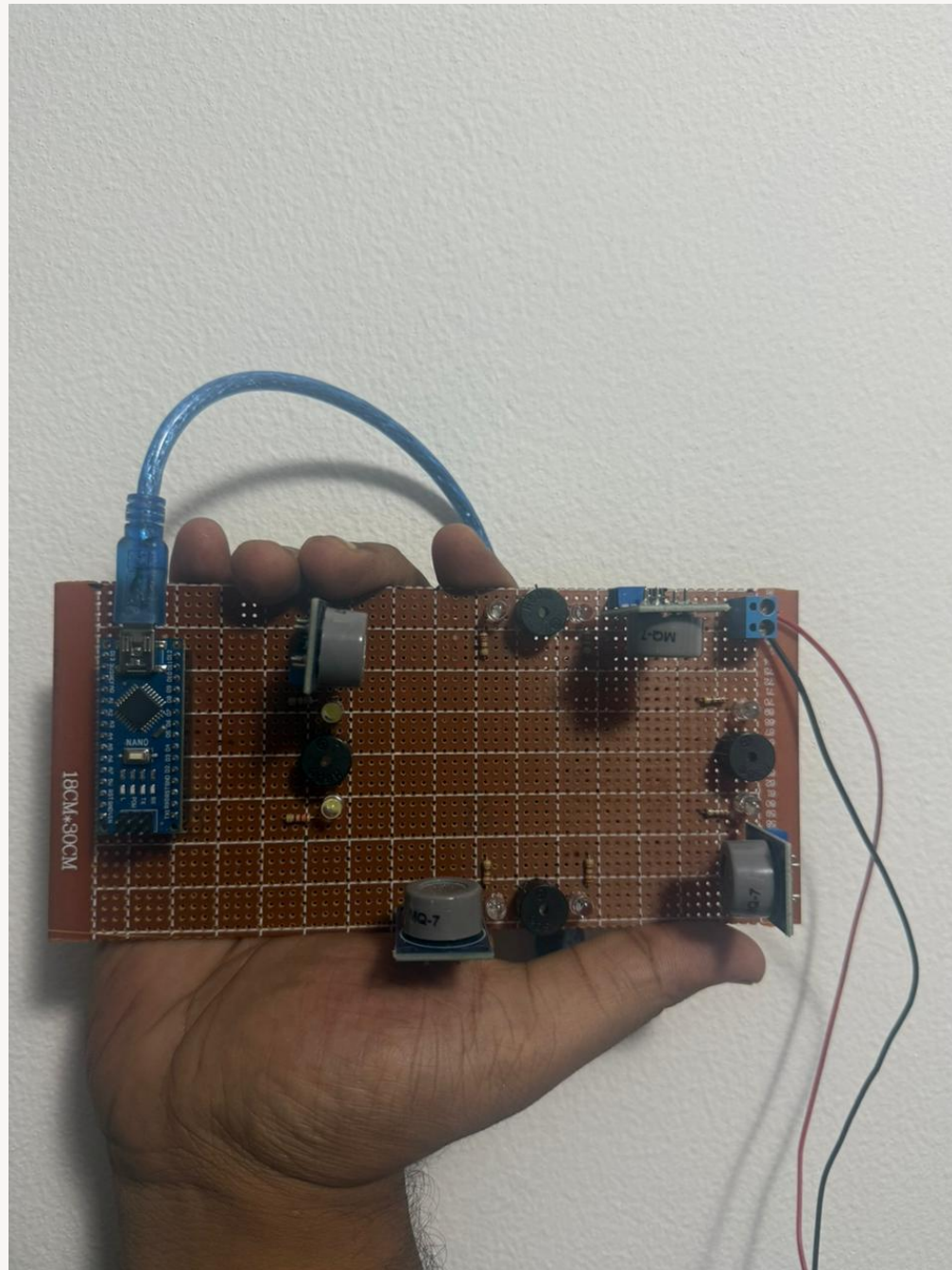
Speed: 0.2ms preprocess, 11.3ms inference, 0.0ms loss, 5.3ms postprocess per image
Results saved to runs/detect/yolov8l_shelves_detection
ultralytics.utils.metrics.BoxMetrics object with attributes:
```


IOT In Final Project

- 8 Leds
- 4 buzzers
- 4 mq7 gas sensors(adress to pp2 comments)



IOT Unit



Functional and Non-Functional Requirements

Functional Requirements:

- Real-time fire and shelf detection
- Fire size classification
- Spread prediction
- Alerts and notifications
- Live dashboard with visual updates

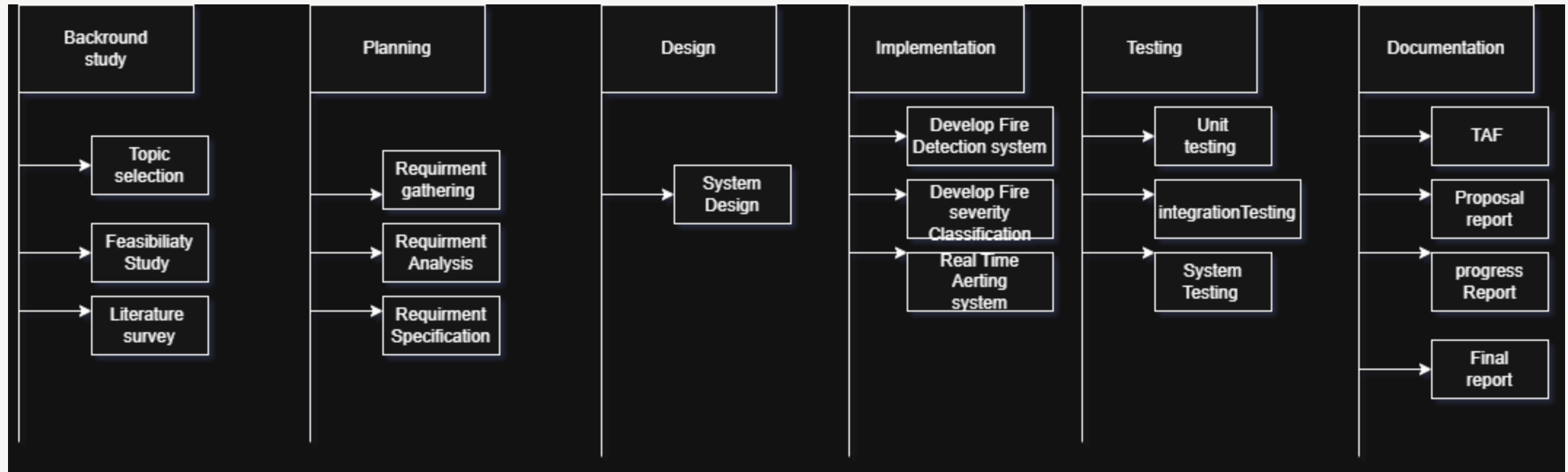
•Non-Functional Requirements:

- Fast and accurate performance
- Easy to use and understand
- Safe and secure data handling
- Works with existing warehouse setups
- Reliable and scalable system

Tools and technology



Work Break-Down Structure



References

Fernando, M. (2020). *Fire Safety Systems in Sri Lankan Industries: Challenges and Opportunities*. Journal of Industrial Safety, 12(3), 45-58.

- Wickramasinghe, S., & Gunawardena, T. (2021). *Computer Vision for Industrial Safety: Applications in Sri Lanka*. Proceedings of the International Conference on AI and Automation.

- Kumar, R., & Patel, A. (2019). *Fire Detection and Surveillance Systems: A Review*. Journal of Artificial Intelligence, 31(7), 1021-1037.

- Zeng, H., & Wang, D. (2018). *Real-Time Fire Detection Using Deep Learning*. International Journal of Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition, 20(5), 101-114.

- Mohan, S., & Das, P. (2022). *The Role of AI in Enhancing Fire Safety: A Review*. International Journal of AI Applications, 16(2), 65-82.



Aspect 04

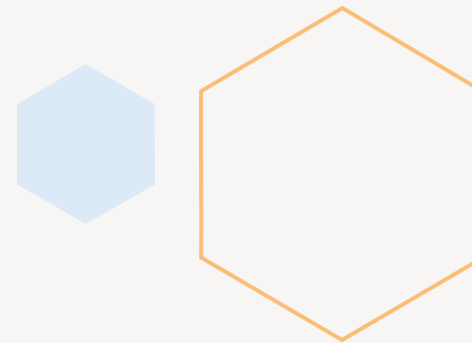
STOCK MOVEMENT FORECASTING & ANOMALY DETECTION AND WORKER PERFORMANCE MONITORING



Introduction

- This project proposes a data driven warehouse management system that provides two most essential features:
 - (a) stock movement anomaly detection through time-series forecasting.
 - (b) worker performance monitoring through activity logs and productivity analysis.

By integrating these key features into a single dashboard, this project provides warehouse managers a decision-support system that can both proactively recognize risks in stock flows and enhance people performance.



Research Problems

1. Integration with Historical Data:

2. Current inventory systems often focus on current data, leaving a gap in predictive analysis using past data to drive proactive decision-making.

2. Forecasting vs. Anomaly Detection

Most existing warehouse research emphasizes demand forecasting rather than detecting short-term stock anomalies such as theft, misplacement, or irregular flows.

3. Workforce–Inventory Integration

Worker performance monitoring is usually studied separately from stock management. There is no established framework linking worker productivity data with inventory movement anomalies. How can these two dimensions be combined into a single decision-support system?

4. Predominantly Reactive Systems

Commercial WMS solutions are largely reactive, flagging errors only after thresholds are breached. How can predictive analytics be used to transition from reactive alerts to proactive anomaly prevention?

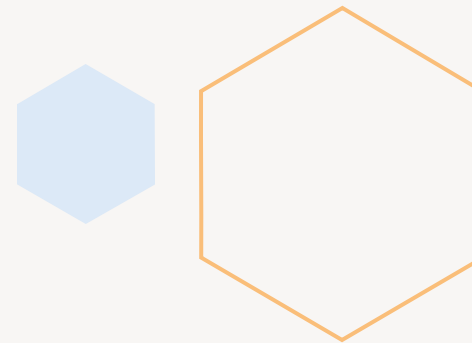


5. Unified Dashboard Gap

Warehouse managers currently rely on fragmented systems for inventory and workforce data. How can a single unified dashboard be developed to integrate anomaly detection and worker performance monitoring for faster, data-driven decisions?

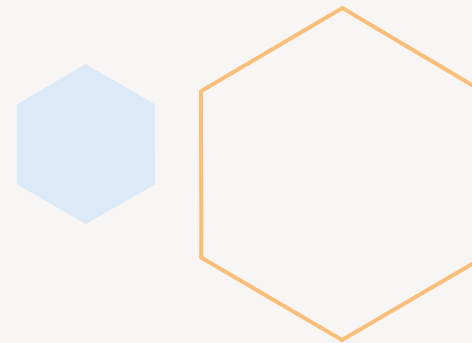
6. Limited Application of Industry 4.0 Principles

While Industry 4.0 research emphasizes AI, predictive analytics, and cyber-physical systems, there is a lack of practical implementation in warehouses. How can machine learning models be effectively operationalized within low-cost, scalable systems?



Main Objective

- This research aims to design and develop an improved warehouse management system that uses prediction and evidence to instruct both inventory movement anomaly detection, and worker performance, under one framework, within a data-driven system for a more effective warehouse operation with an aim of working towards industry 4.0 in line with operational efficiency.



Sub Objectives

Data Aggregation and Preprocessing:

- Collect and integrate historical inventory movement records and employee activity logs from existing WMS systems.
- Develop data cleaning and normalization processes to ensure high-quality inputs for analysis.

Baseline Modeling and Anomaly Detection:

- Establish dynamic statistical baselines (e.g., using time-series forecasting) for normal stock movements.
- Implement and optimize anomaly detection algorithms to flag movements that exceed the baseline thresholds.

Creating a worker performance monitoring tool:

- Fairly assess productivity compared to employee's inactivity.
- Provide managers useful information to better manage their workforce and training.

Visualization and Alerting Mechanism:

- Design a user-friendly dashboard that visually maps anomalies onto warehouse rack layouts.
- Integrate automated notification systems (e.g., email, SMS) to alert managers when anomalies are detected.

System Evaluation and Performance Optimization:

- Evaluate the system's prediction accuracy and responsiveness using defined metrics (e.g., false positive/negative rates, cost savings, and response times).

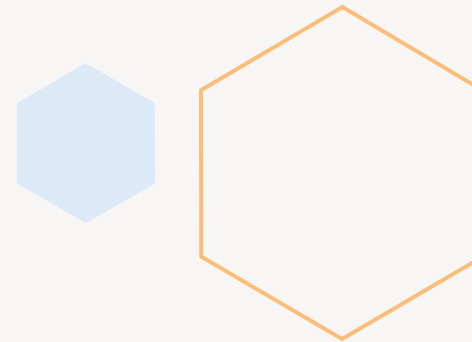
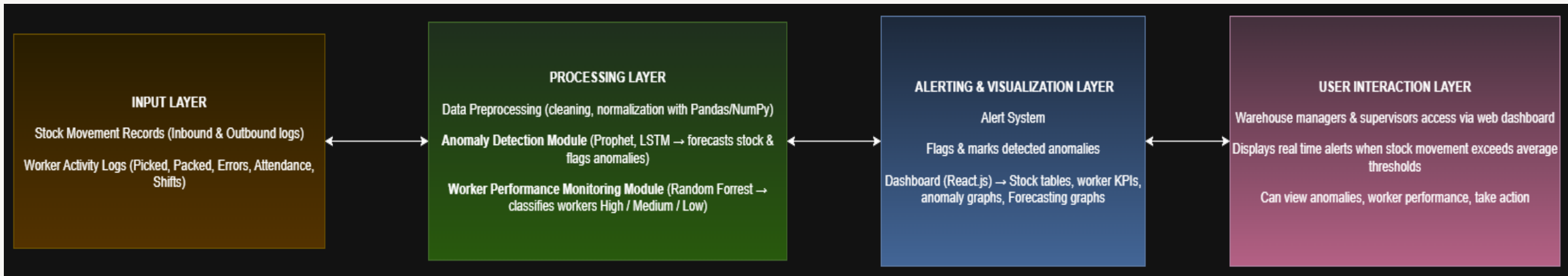
Research Gaps

- **Leverage Historical Data:** Few studies have investigated the use of historical inventory movement data for predictive anomaly detection.
- **Threshold Determination:** Limited research exists on establishing statistically sound thresholds to trigger alerts based on past data.
- **Cost-Effective Solutions:** There is an opportunity to develop systems that provide actionable insights without the cost and complexity of installing and maintaining real-time IoT sensor networks.
- **Predominantly Reactive Warehouse Systems:** Most commercial WMS are reactive, alerting only after errors occur, rather than providing predictive insights. This post-incident approach increases operational risk and costs.
- **Fragmentation Between Workforce Monitoring and Warehouse Operations:** Workforce performance is rarely linked to inventory movement, preventing managers from seeing its impact on operational anomalies.
- **Lack of Unified Dashboards for Decision-Making:** Managers lack a single dashboard combining inventory anomalies and employee performance, slowing decision-making.
- **Limited Application of Industry 4.0 Principles in Warehouses:** While Industry 4.0 research highlights cyber-physical systems, predictive analytics, and big data in logistics and manufacturing, most studies remain theoretical with little direct application to warehouse operations.

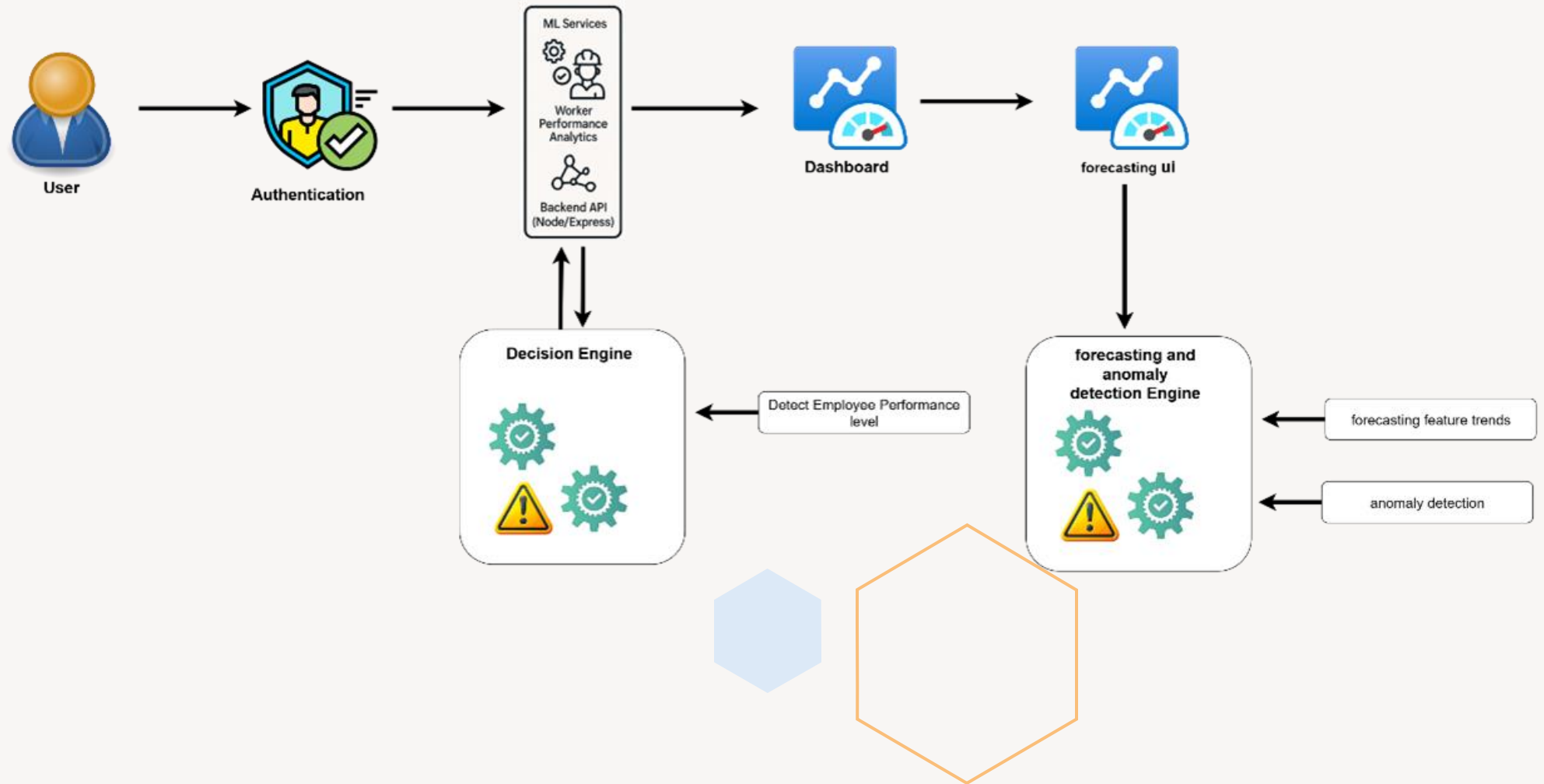
Comparison Criteria	Traditional WMS	Forecasting Models (Demand/Inventory)	Workforce Monitoring Systems	Industry 4.0 / Smart Logistics Systems	Proposed System
Stock Tracking	✓ Real-time tracking only	✓ Forecasting long-term trends	✗ Not applicable	✓ Integrated tracking in smart logistics	✓ Real-time + predictive anomaly detection
Anomaly Detection	✗ Reactive alerts only	✗ Focused on demand forecasting, not warehouse anomalies	✗ Not available	✗ Limited applications	✓ Predictive anomaly detection using time-series forecasting
Workforce Performance Monitoring	✗ Basic KPIs only (attendance, output counts)	✗ Not applicable	✓ Performance metrics analyzed in isolation	✓ Conceptual frameworks for human-machine systems	✓ Integrated worker performance monitoring linked to inventory flows
Proactive vs. Reactive	✗ Primarily reactive	✓ Predictive for demand	✗ Mostly retrospective analysis	✓ Conceptual predictive models	✓ Fully proactive (forecast vs. actual deviation alerts)
Unified Dashboard	✗ Separate systems for stock & workforce	✗ Focus only on stock	✗ Focus only on workforce	✗ Fragmented	✓ Centralized dashboard for stock + workforce
Industry 4.0 Alignment	✗ Minimal integration	✗ Limited to demand forecasting ↓	✗ Rarely integrated	✓ Conceptual Industry 4.0 applications	✓ Practical, AI-driven warehouse application of Industry 4.0

2 Research Gap summary

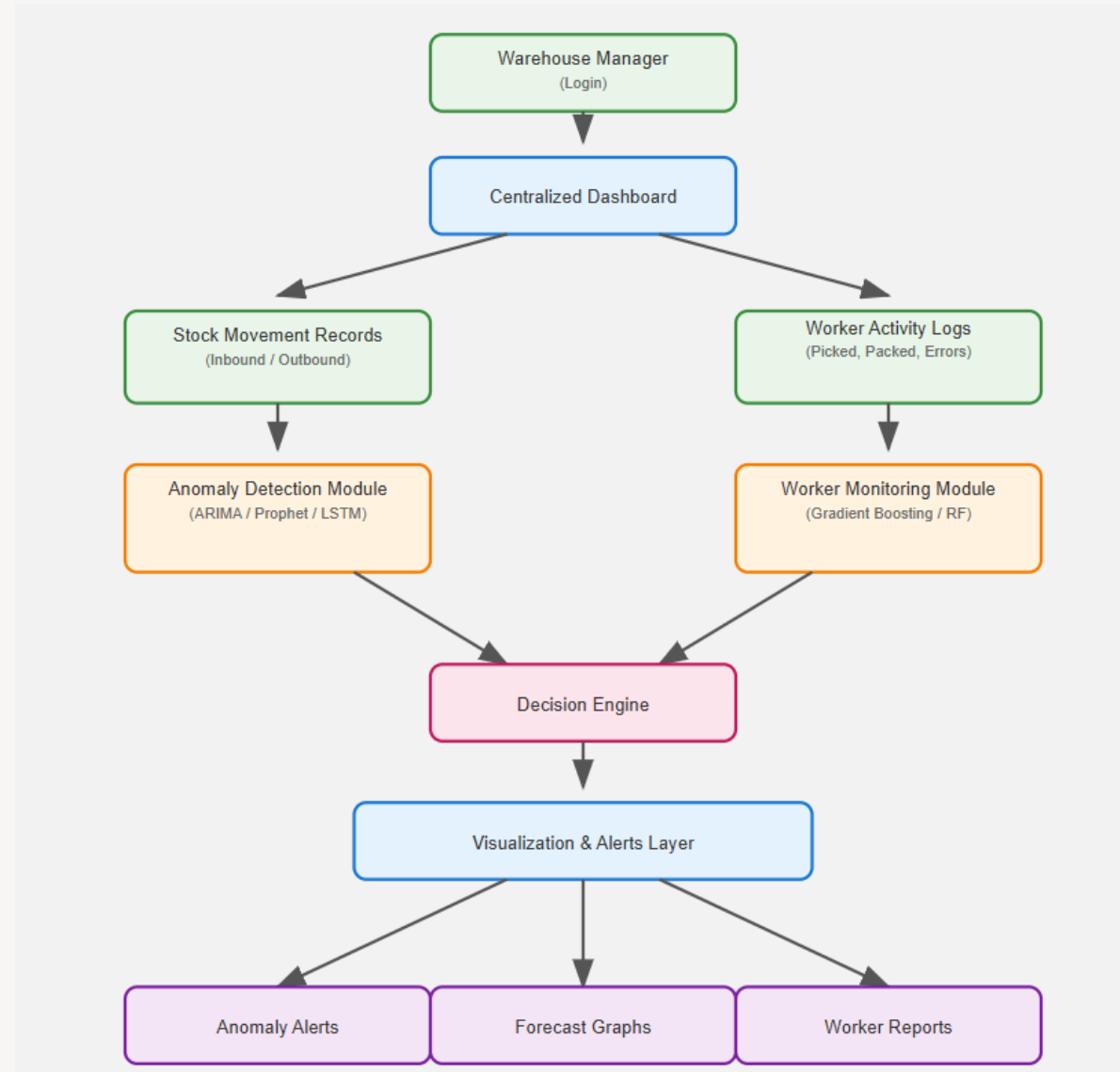
Methodology



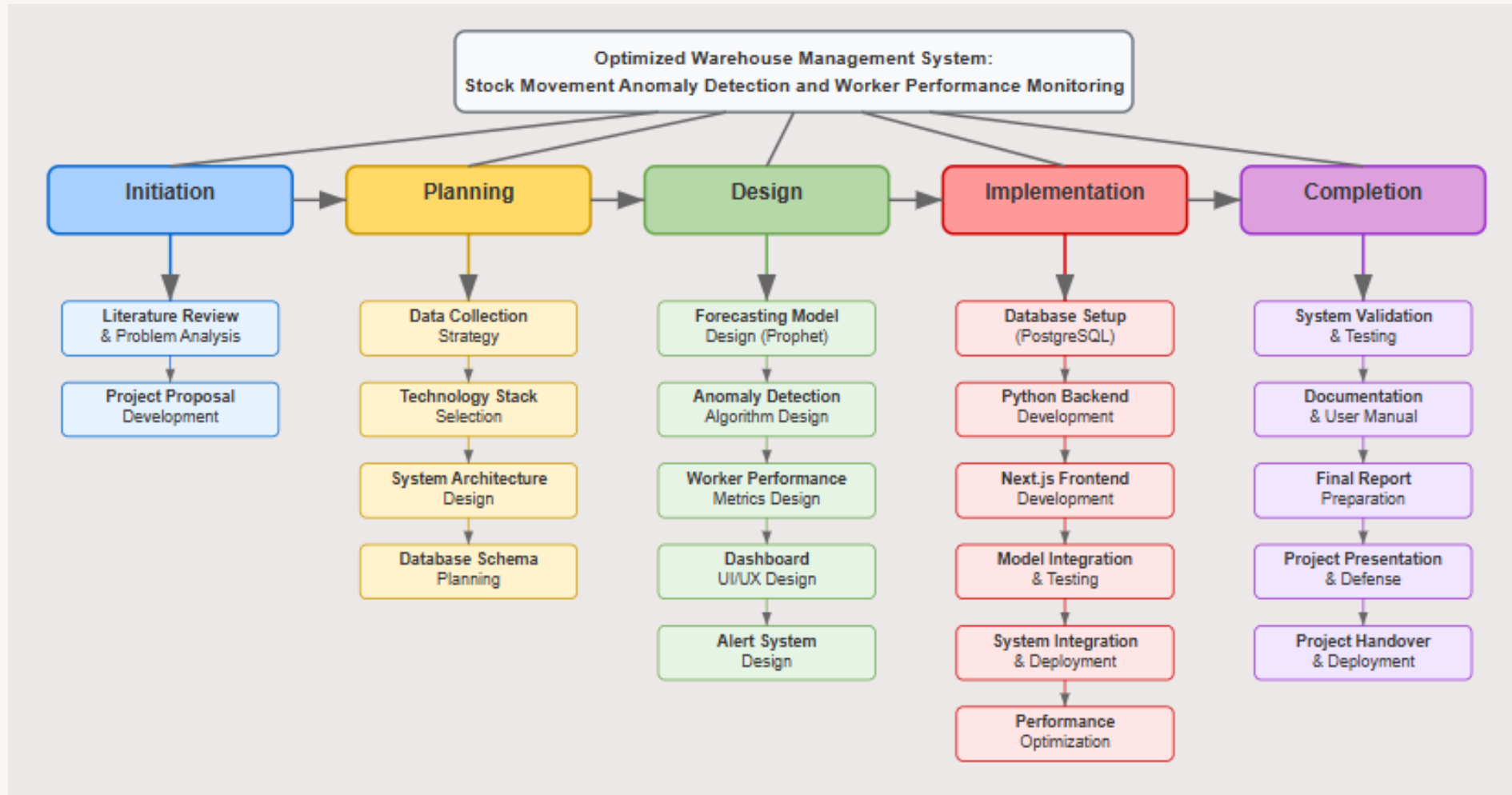
System Diagram



Flow Chart

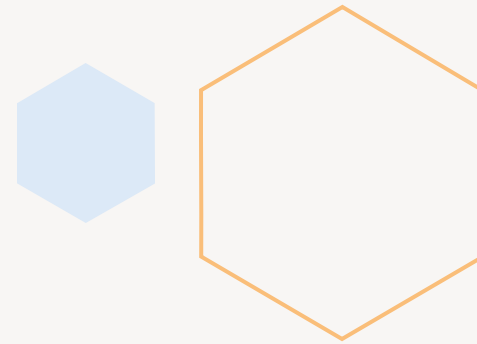


Work Break-Down Structure



Completed Work

- Data Collection & Preprocessing completed
- Model Training Implemented
- Cross-Validation (Model Evaluation)
- Saving Trained Models
- Real vs Forecast Comparison & Anomaly Detection



Functional Requirements

Historical Data Collection:

- Ability to gather historical inventory movement data and daily worker activities from ERP/WMS systems.

Data Preprocessing:

- Data cleaning, normalization, and integration processes.

Forecasting and Baseline Modeling:

- Load pre-trained forecasting models for both inbound and outbound quantities and generate future forecasts based on historical trends and apply rolling averages to smooth predictions.

Deviation/Anomaly Detection:

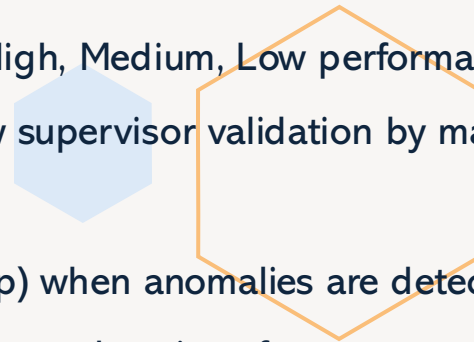
- Compare real observed data against forecasted values and flag deviations where actual dispatch or inbound quantities differ from forecasted values by more than a configurable percentage threshold.

Worker Performance Monitoring

- Apply Random Forrest classification model to categorize workers (High, Medium, Low performance).
- Generate worker performance scores and trends over time and allow supervisor validation by manual rating overrides.

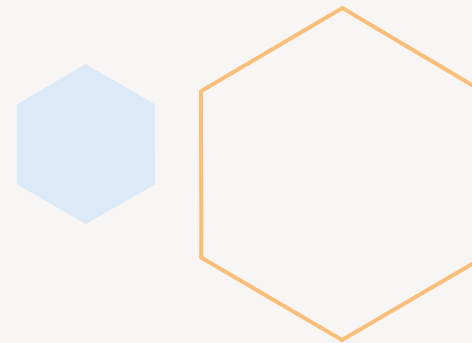
Alerting and Visualization:

- Automated alert system that triggers notifications (email, SMS, in-app) when anomalies are detected.
- Generates aggregated summaries and visualizations for administrators and options for users to customize alert thresholds and frequency.



Non-Functional Requirements

- **Performance:** The system should process data and generate alerts within a predefined response time (e.g., under 5 seconds for each anomaly detection cycle).
- **Scalability:** Must handle large volumes of historical data and scale with growing data size and number of inventory nodes.
- **Reliability and Availability:** Ensure continuous system operation with high uptime (e.g., 99.9% availability).
- **Security:** Ensure data confidentiality and integrity with encryption and access controls.
- **Usability:** User-friendly dashboard with intuitive navigation and clear visualizations. And minimal training required for warehouse staff to effectively use the system.



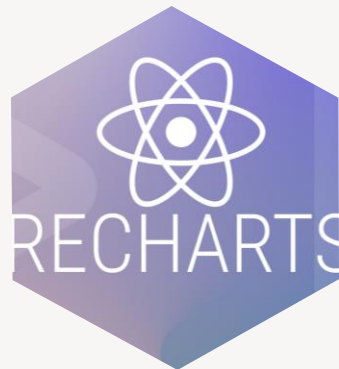
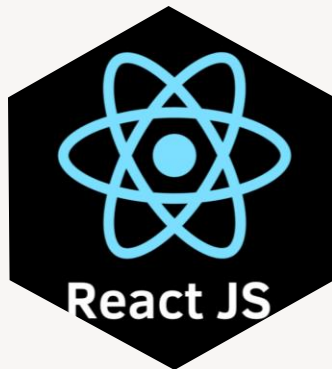
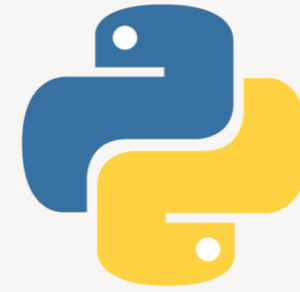
Model Accuracy

	precision	recall	f1-score	support
High	1.00	1.00	1.00	4
Medium	1.00	1.00	1.00	2
Low	1.00	1.00	1.00	6
accuracy			1.00	12
macro avg	1.00	1.00	1.00	12
weighted avg	1.00	1.00	1.00	12



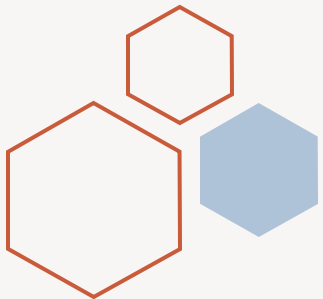
Tools, Technologies & algorithms

- Data Processing Libraries (Pandas, NumPy)
- Time-series forecasting(Prophet)
- Random Forest



References

- [1] A. Gunasekaran, N. Subramanian, and E. W. T. Ngai, “Managing relationships in supply chains: Emerging issues and challenges,” *International Journal of Production Economics*, vol. 167, pp. 312–325, 2015.
- [2] G. Marchet, M. Melacini, S. Perotti, and E. Tappia, “Development of a framework for managing warehouse operations,” *International Journal of Production Economics*, vol. 204, pp. 164–178, 2018.
- [3] M. A. Waller and S. E. Fawcett, “Data science, predictive analytics, and big data: a revolution that will transform supply chain design and management,” *Journal of Business Logistics*, vol. 34, no. 2, pp. 77–84, 2013.
- [4] R. de Koster, T. Le-Duc, and K. J. Roodbergen, “Design and control of warehouse order picking: A literature review,” *European Journal of Operational Research*, vol. 182, no. 2, pp. 481–501, 2007.



- [5] H. Qin and D. A. Nembhard, "Workforce flexibility in production systems: literature review and future directions," *International Journal of Production Research*, vol. 53, no. 21, pp. 6360–6386, 2015.
- [6] Y. Li, L. Wang, and H. K. Chan, "Big data analytics in logistics and supply chain management: A review of the literature and applications," *International Journal of Production Research*, vol. 57, no. 15–16, pp. 4854–4876, 2019.
- [7] E. W. T. Ngai, et al., "RFID research: An academic literature review (1995–2005) and future research directions," *International Journal of Production Economics*, vol. 112, no. 2, pp. 510–520, 2009.
- [8] K. L. Choy, et al., "A knowledge-based logistics operations planning system for mitigating risk in warehouse order fulfillment," *Decision Support Systems*, vol. 59, pp. 219–230, 2014.
- [9] S. Nahavandi, "Industry 4.0 and the role of artificial intelligence in smart supply chain," *IEEE Engineering Management Review*, vol. 47, no. 1, pp. 5–9, 2019. 58 | Page
- [10] E. Hofmann and M. Rüsçh, "Industry 4.0 and the current status as well as future prospects on logistics," *Computers in Industry*, vol. 89, pp. 23–34, 2017.
- [11] R. F. Babiceanu and R. Seker, "Big Data and virtualization for manufacturing cyber-physical systems: A survey of the current status and future outlook," *Computers in Industry*, vol. 81, pp. 128–137, 2016.

How to Promote

- Social Media Marketing
- E-mail Marketing
- Event Sponsorships
- Web-Ads
- YouTube Advertising
- Leaflets



Commercialization

Advantages:

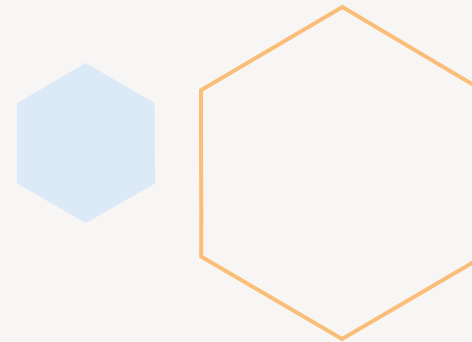
- User Friendly Interfaces
- Remote Location Logins

Target Audience:

- Warehouse Owners
- Warehouse Service Businesses

Marketplace:

- Using Social Media Platforms
- Conduct Awareness Programs to Warehouse Stakeholders



Industry 4.0 and Smart Warehousing

Our Service:

- ✓ Space Optimization and Visualization
- ✓ Order Picking and Route Optimization
- ✓ Computer Vision for Fire Detection and Safety
- ✓ Predictive Analytics for Stock and Workforce Monitoring

Disc
10%

BOOK NOW



0769144869

Industry 4.0 and Smart Warehousing

Efficiency, safety, and reliability — all in one warehouse solution.

100%
Trusted

Why Choose Us?

- ✓ Order Picking and Route Optimization
- ✓ Computer Vision for Fire Detection and Safety
- ✓ Predictive Analytics for Stock and Workforce Monitoring
- ✓ Space Optimization and Visualization

BOOK NOW



Phone Number:
0769144869

Budget

Hardware Costs:

- Cameras – LKR 20,000
- IOT Device – LKR 10,000

Hosting Costs:

- AWS s3 instance – LKR 30,000 * 12
- AWS Lambda instances – LKR 20,000 * 12

Other Expenses

- Misc – LKR 10,000

Total Estimated Budget CapEx: LKR 40,000/=

Total Estimated Budget OpEx Yearly: LKR 600,000/=



Project Requirements

Functional Requirements

1. **Real-Time Monitoring:** The system must enable users to monitor warehouse operations, including product arrangements and space utilization, in real time.
2. **Dynamic Product Storage Optimization:** Use Machine Learning models to dynamically suggest optimal product arrangements based on CBM, product turnover rates, and constraints.
3. **Interactive User Interface:** Develop an intuitive web-based application using React and Python Django (or Node.js with Express.js) for seamless user interaction.
4. **Inventory Security Features:** Provide safeguards for sensitive and high-value goods by implementing risk management measures such as access controls and alert systems.
5. **Customizable Storage Strategies:** Allow users to input constraints (e.g., product fragility, weight, or stacking rules) to tailor the storage optimization process.



Project Requirements

Non-Functional Requirements

1. Performance: The system should provide real-time responses for 3D visualization and storage optimization, with minimal latency.
2. Usability: The user interface must be intuitive, enabling users with varying levels of technical expertise to interact with the system effectively.
3. Scalability: The system should support increasing warehouse sizes, product volumes, and additional features without compromising performance.
4. Compatibility: Ensure compatibility across major web browsers and devices, including desktops, laptops, and tablets.
5. Reliability: The system must operate reliably under various conditions, ensuring data accuracy and uninterrupted service.



References

- [1] T. D. Rupasinghe and S. Dissanayake (2018) An integrated warehouse design and optimization modelling approach to enhance supply chain performance.
- [2] **Chung, S. H., & Lee, H. (2017).** "Optimization of warehouse space utilization for container storage." *Journal of Manufacturing Science and Engineering*, 139(2), 021004.
- [3] Li, X., et al. (2023). "Optimized Pathfinding in Smart Warehouses." *International Journal of Logistics Management*.
- [4] Y. Zhang, L. Zhang, and W. Li, "Real-time Dynamic Path Planning in Automated Warehouses," *Journal of Warehouse Technology*, 2021.
- [5] **Zhao, X., & Lee, D. (2016).** "Predictive analytics for monitoring stock movements in warehouses." *International Journal of Production Research*, 54(10), 3023-3035.
- [6] **Yang, Y., & Zhang, X. (2020).** "AI-based fire detection systems in warehouse management: A review." *Computers, Materials & Continua*, 64(2), 1071-1089



A decorative graphic on the left side of the slide consists of a cluster of hexagons in various colors (light blue, orange, grey, dark blue, and white). Some hexagons contain images: a person in a meeting, a 3D isometric illustration of a business office with a laptop, a globe, and a forklift; a close-up of business documents with charts; and a warehouse filled with stacked cardboard boxes on pallets. Other hexagons are empty or have thin outlines.

Thank you...