HCI PROJECT

SELECTING, TYPING USING EYES

FINAL PRESENTATION

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Problem

▶ 15% of the world population reserved for people with disability.

▶ Numerically it is One Billion people.

▶ From that 2 – 3% population reserved for people with no hands due to various reasons.

Problem

Imagine yourself being an intelligent, motivated, and working person in the fiercely competitive market of information technology, but just one problem.

▶ You can't use your hands.

▶ Then,

How do you do your job?
How do you stay employed?



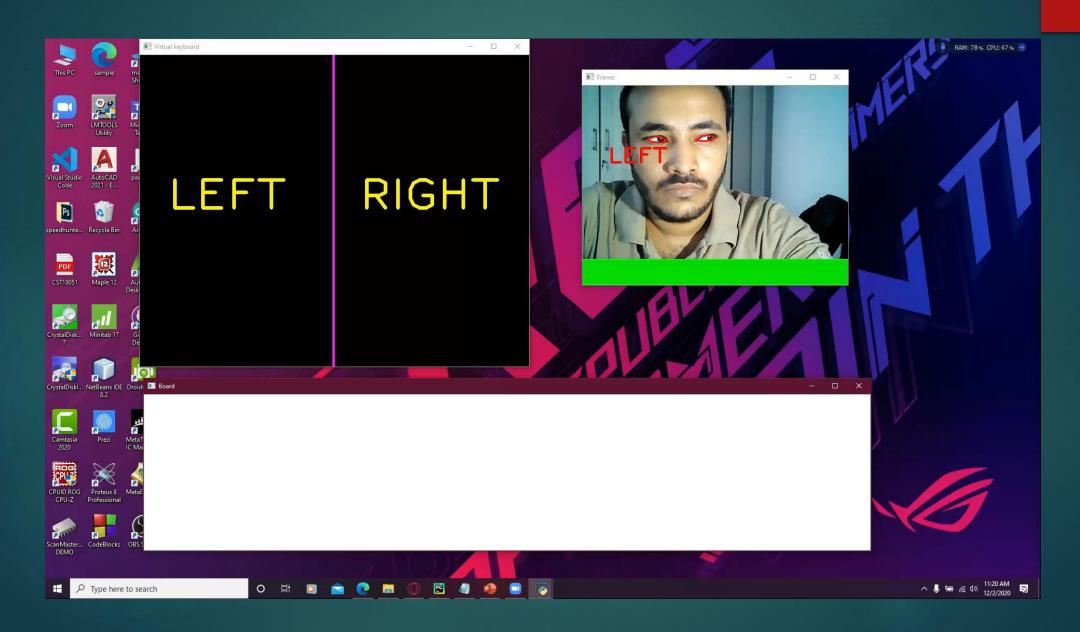
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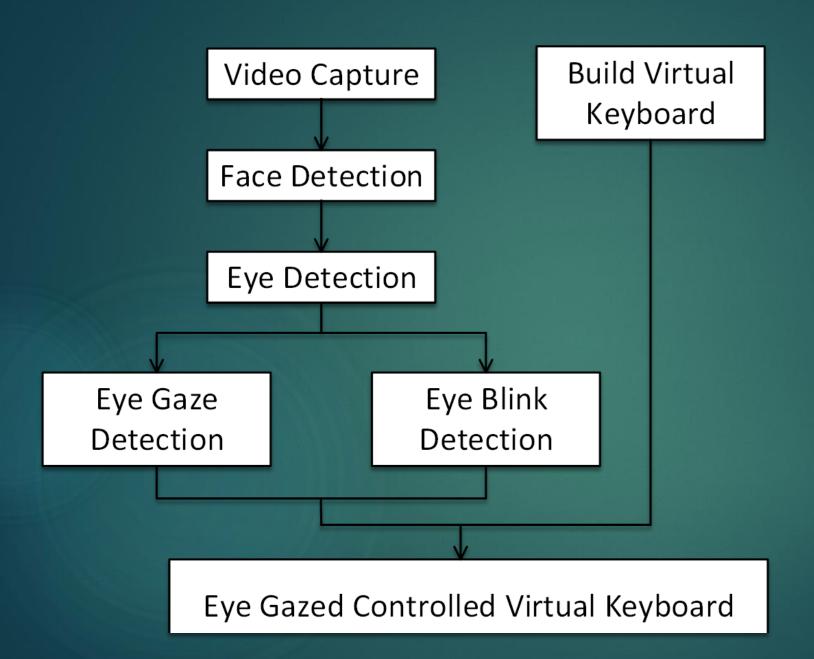
Eye Gaze Control System is a very good gift from computer Industry.

Simply, it is communication using eye movement.

Technically, it is a human vision-based communication and control system.

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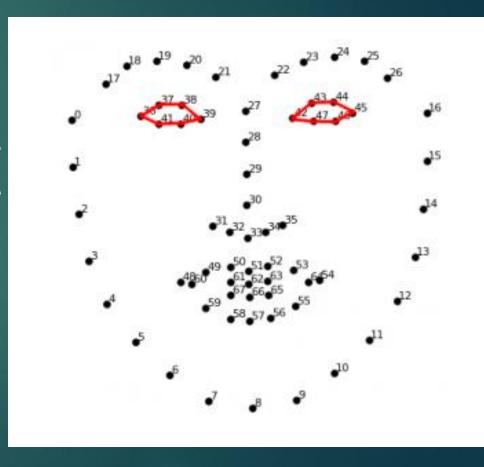




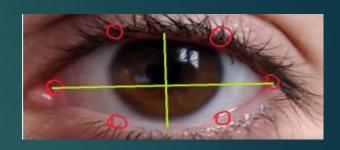
▶ Used real time frames from the webcam to detect the face.

"shape_predictor_68_face_landmarks .dat" file was used detect the landmark points of eyes from the face.

- ▶ Left eye points: [36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41]
- ▶ Right eye points: [42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47]



▶ For the Eye Blink detection we drew horizontal vertical lines trough midpoint of the eye.



Open and close of eye depend on length of vertical line.



Ratio between horizontal length and vertical length is eye blink ratio.



▶ Normally, if Eye Blink Ratio >= 5.7, Eye Blink will detect.

▶ For the Eye Gaze detection, we used a mask to remove skin area around eye.

▶ Did Binary Thresholding to separate black part (Iris & Pupil) and white part (Sclera) of eye.

► Count non-zeros (white parts/ Sclera) beside zeros (black part/Iris & Pupil) as left white and right white of eye.

Ratio between left white count and right white count of eye give eye gaze ratio.

▶ Then detect eye position as LEFT, RIGHT and CENTER.



Finally built Virtual Keyboard with main characters and connected all branches together.

Heuristic HCI Principles Applied

- Visibility of system status
 - We have used a loading bar to show eye blink is successful to print the letter.
 - Eye gaze detection is displayed as LEFT, RIGHT.
- ▶ User control and freedom.
 - Usual eyeblinks can happen during work. So mistaken eyeblinks do not print letter that time.
- ► Aesthetic and minimalist design.
 - User friendly system with attractive design.

Heuristic HCI Principles Applied

- ▶ Match between system and the real world.
 - Vision based image processing process after gathering real world human eye details.
- ▶ Flexibility and efficiency of use.
 - Efficiency is increased by selecting keyboard as left and right.
 - Speedup the letter movement.
- ▶ Recognition rather than recall.
 - Only eye blink, eye left turn and eye right turn.

We Used...

▶ Web Camera.

▶ Laptop.

Python 3.6.7 version.

▶ PyCharm Software for Python programming.







Limitations & Drawbacks

- ▶ Distance between the camera and the human eye should be within 25cm to 50cm.
- ▶ Image acquisition (lighting) is very important.
- Lower lighting gives wrong reading and delays.
- Camera quality is very important.
- ▶ Should have good control of eyes to look correct position.
- ► Eyes should be healthy. (Avoid Diplopia, Blurred vision, Different eyeball position etc.)

Uses of Eye Gaze Control

- ▶ In this project, we focused on typing for disability people with lack of hand function.
- During this COVID-19 season, can use eye gaze control to avoid touch contacts.
 - ▶ Food ordering from super restaurants.
 - ▶ Vehicle Parking payment machines.
 - ► ATM money withdrawal, transfers.
- Can use to read a virtual book, paper while having food by turning pages, scroll down using eye.
- When mother holding a baby in her hand, can use eye gaze control to do her typing work on computer screen if needed.



THANK YOU!