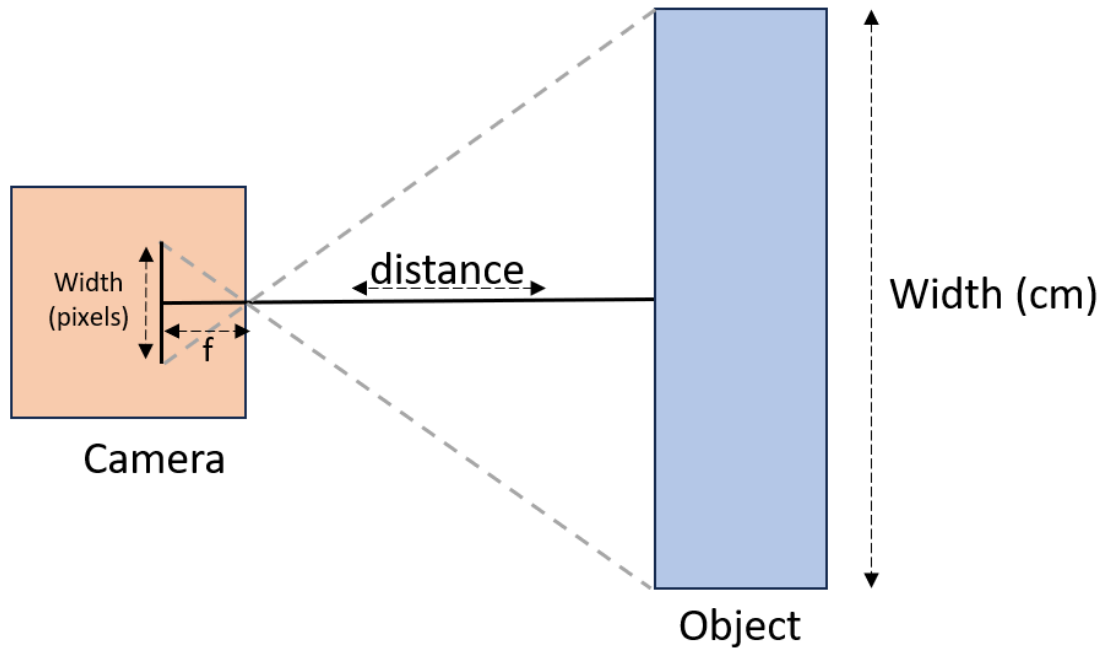


OBJECT DETECTION
and
DISTANCE
CALCULATION
using
YOLOv8

Calculating the Distance of Detected Object

To calculate the distance of the detected object following method is used:



Relation between all the variables is given by:

$$f = \frac{\text{distance} * \text{width (in pixels)}}{\text{width (in cm)}}$$

Rearranging above formula:

$$\text{Distance} = \frac{\text{width (in cm)} * f}{\text{width (in pixels)}}$$

Steps to calculate distance:

1. First, f (focal point) is calculated
 - a. A known-width object is placed at a known distance to calculate the focal point.
 - b. Then using YOLO, the object is detected, and its width in pixels is calculated from the boundary box dimensions.

2. Calculating the distance

- a. Once the focal point is calculated, it is provided to the distance calculation formula as a constant, and the only thing that is not a constant is the width of the detected pixels, which is calculated continuously and fed to the distance formula.
- b. Focal point is calculated once.

Code:

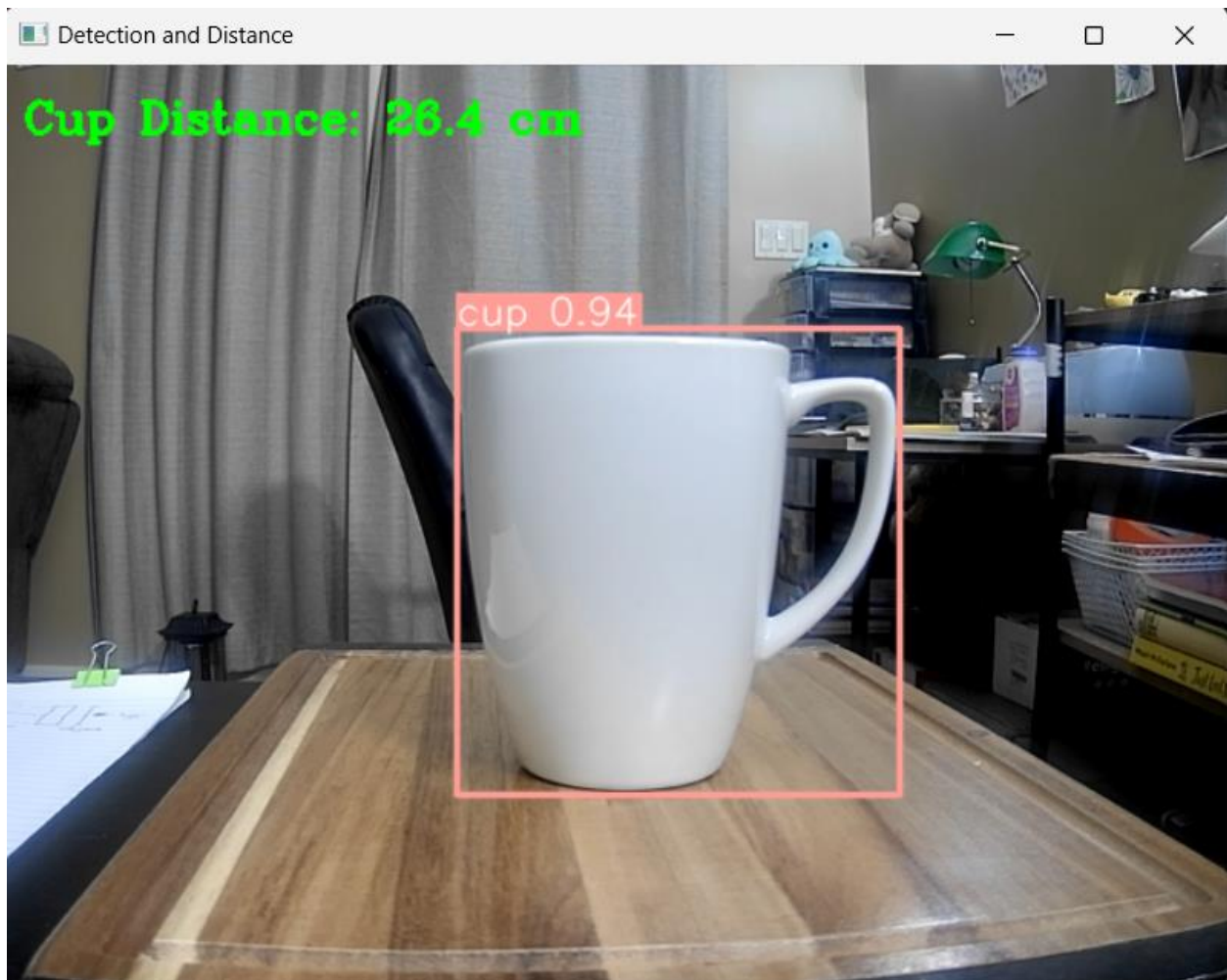
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1 import cv2
2 from ultralytics import YOLO
3 import torch
4
5 # To calculate Focal Length
6 widthOfObject_cm = 11          # Cup width
7 distanceOfObject_cm = 30
8 objectToDetecte_CUP = 41      # 41: CUP
9 objectToDetecte_Apple = 47    # 47: Apple
10
11 # Access webcam
12 cap = cv2.VideoCapture(0)     # 0 refers to webcam
13
14 # Load the YOLOv8 model
15 model = YOLO('yolov8n.pt')
16
17 while cap.isOpened():
18
19     # Read from webcam
20     success, frame = cap.read()
21
22     # if Read from webcam is successful
23     if success:
24         # Run YOLO on captured video (object is frame) AND Return detected objects with
25         # confidence of >=80%
26         # to reduce detected objects
27         results = model.predict(frame, conf = 0.8)
28
29         # .cpu().numpy() for easy calculations
30         objectClass = results[0].boxes.cls
31         objectxyxy = results[0].boxes.cpu().numpy().xyxy    # Boundary Box Coordinates XYXY
32         objectxywh = results[0].boxes.cpu().numpy().xywh    # Boundary box Coordinated XY + w
33         (width) and h (hight)
34
35         # Detected Objects Class ID
36         output = torch.tensor(objectClass)
37
38         #detected object
39         detectedObject = results[0].plot()
40
41         # Check for Objects and Calculate distance
42         # Checking for Cup
43         if objectToDetecte_CUP in output:
44             print("ID 41: CUP detected")
45             # Calculate Distance of CUP
46             widthOfObject_px = objectxywh[0][3].astype(int)
47
48             # Calculate Focal Length (Calculate Once to calibrate the system)
49             #f = (widthOfObject_px * distanceOfObject_cm) / widthOfObject_cm
50             #print(f)
51             f = 580.9090          # Calculated
52             # Calculated to be 580.9090909090909
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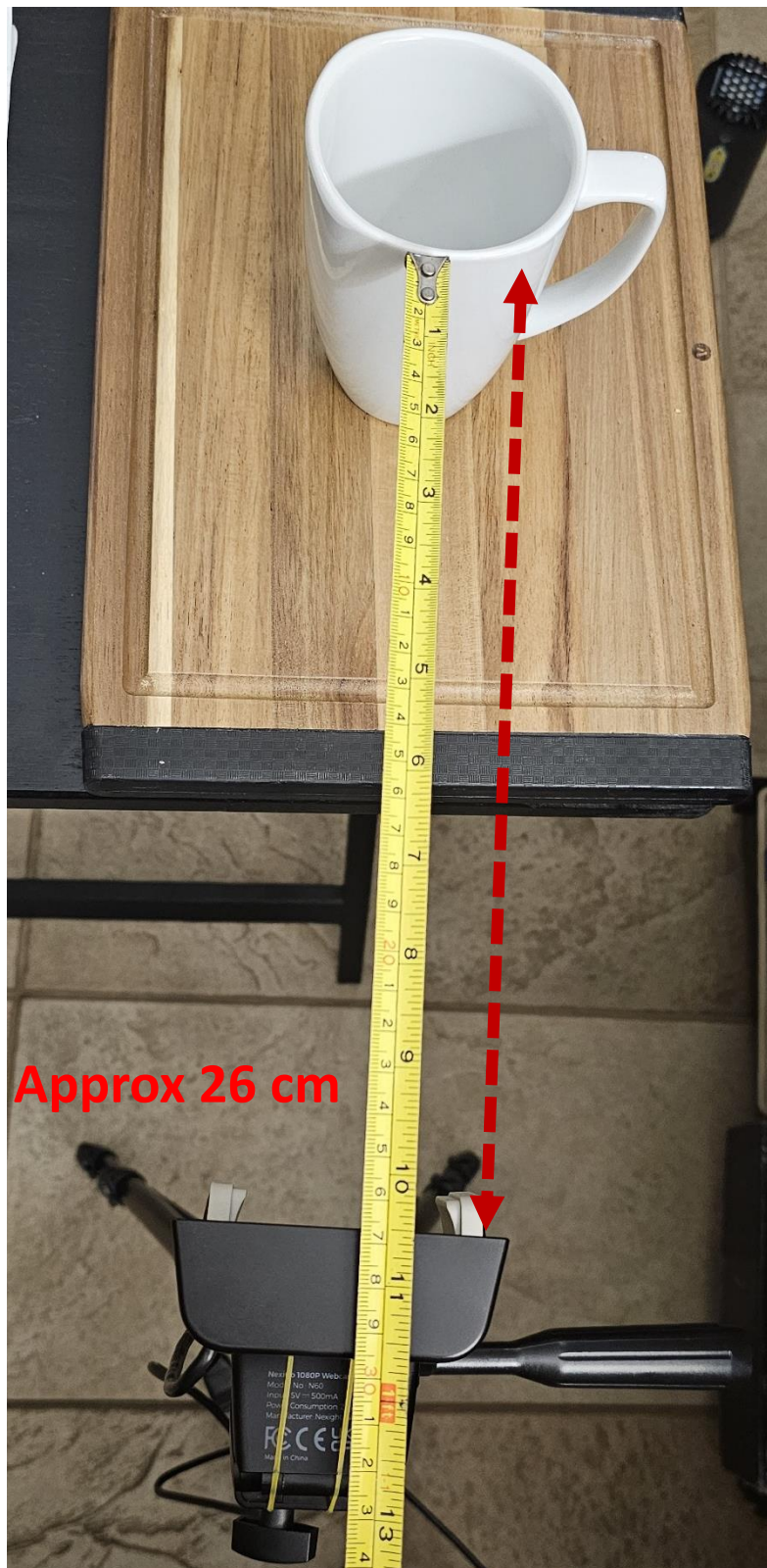
52         # Distance Calculations
53         d = (widthOfObject_cm * f ) / widthOfObject_px
54         #print(d)
55
56         # Distance Text
57         cv2.putText(detectedObject, f'Cup Distance: {round(d,2)} cm', (10,35),
58 cv2.FONT_HERSHEY_COMPLEX, 0.75, (0,255,0),2)
59
60         # Display Captured Video with detected objects
61         cv2.imshow("Detection and Distance", detectedObject)
62
63     # loop every 1000ms (main loop: while)
64     cv2.waitKey(1000)

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Output:



Physical Calculation:



Code Explanation:

- Code line 6 and 7 corresponds to step 1 (First, f (focal point) is calculated). As an example, the known width of a cup and distance from the camera are provided here.
- From line 47, the focal point is calculated.
- The code is commented because the focal point is calculated at capture time. It can be seen on line 49, which comes out to be 580.9090
- Then, in line 44, the width of the detected object (cup) is calculated and is calculated in every iteration of the loop.
- Here, we have all the required values to calculate the distance. Now, as seen in line 53, distance is calculated.
- From line 57, the calculated distance is placed onto the output video.

Further:

- Any object's distance can be calculated (provided its class ID is in the YOLO database) by adding another if statement in the above-provided code.
- Source for YOLO Object Data Class:
<https://github.com/ultralytics/ultralytics/blob/main/ultralytics/datasets/coco.yaml>
- The code for detecting the distance of the cup is from line 47; this 'if' statement is responsible for detecting the cup and calculating its distance. As seen in the code, the class ID for a cup is 41. Also, the class ID for an apple is provided as an example, i.e., 47 in lines 8 and 9.
- Similarly, more condition statements can be added to the above code to detect a particular object and further compute its distance.