

Faculty of Science, Technology and Innovation ICT Department BarberMetrics - BarberShop Monitoring System

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1 Introduction

The "BarberMetrics" system aims to provide barbershop owners with a comprehensive computer vision solution to track the occupancy of their barbershop chairs. By accurately counting the number of customers seated on the chairs, the app will calculate real-time and historical data regarding customer flow, barber speed, and revenue generated and it also provide a dataset for extracting further insights. This concept note outlines the key features and benefits of the BarberMetrics system.

1.1 Objectives

The BarberMetrics project seeks to achieve the following objectives:

- Real-time Occupancy Tracking: Utilize computer vision algorithms to detect and count the number of customers seated on barbershop chairs in real time.
- Profit Calculation: Calculate revenue generated by analyzing the occupancy data in correlation with pricing information.
- Performance Analytics: Analyze barber performance by calculating the average time spent on each customer and identifying potential bottlenecks.
- Barber Performance Comparison: Implement a mechanism to measure and compare the service times of different barbers, allowing for performance analysis and identification of potential areas for improvement.
- Historical Insights: Store historical data for day-to-day, weekly, monthly, and yearly trends, aiding in strategic decision-making.

1.2 Scope

The BarberMetrics system will encompass the following components:

- Computer Vision Module: Develop a computer vision model to detect and count occupied chairs using image processing techniques.
- Revenue Calculation Module: Implement a revenue calculation algorithm based on occupancy count and pricing information.
- Performance Analytics Module: Calculate average service time per customer, providing insights into each barber efficiency.
- Barber Performance Comparison Module: Create a mechanism to measure and compare the service times of different barbers based on their interactions with customers.
- Data Storage: Store historical occupancy and revenue data for different time intervals (daily, weekly, monthly, yearly).

1.3 Methodology

The project will follow these steps:

- Data Collection and Preparation: Gather labeled chair images and occupancy data for model training and algorithm testing.
- Model Development: Develop a computer vision model using appropriate libraries (e.g., OpenCV, TensorFlow) for chair detection and tracking.
- Occupancy Tracking: Implement real-time chair detection and occupancy counting using the trained model.
- Revenue Calculation: Develop an algorithm to calculate revenue based on the occupancy count and pricing information.
- Performance Analysis: Calculate average service time and other relevant performance metrics.
- Data Storage: Implement a data storage solution to save historical occupancy and revenue data.

1.4 Expected Outcomes

- Enhanced Profitability: By providing real-time insights into chair occupancy and revenue, shop owners can optimize scheduling and resource allocation, leading to increased profitability.
- Improved Efficiency: Barber performance analytics can help identify areas for improvement and streamline service delivery.
- Optimized Business Operations: Barbershop owners can make data-backed decisions to enhance profit making while maintaining high levels of customer satisfaction.

- Balanced Approach: By providing insights into both revenue generation and barber efficiency, the system aims to strike a harmonious balance between profit making and customer satisfaction.
- Enhanced Accountability and Transparency: The system will promote accountability and transparency between shop owners and barbers, leading to a more equitable and collaborative environment.
- Informed Decision-Making: Historical occupancy and revenue data will aid in strategic decision-making for business growth.
- User Satisfaction: Barbers can gauge their speed and performance, fostering healthy competition and professional development.

1.5 Conclusion

The BarberMetrics project presents an innovative solution for modernizing barbershops through technology. By combining computer vision, revenue calculation, and performance analysis, the system aims to contribute to the success and efficiency of barbershop operations.