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KEY WORD	PO1	PO2	PO3	PO4	PO5	PO6	PO7	PO8	PO9	PO10	PO11	PO12	PSO1	PSO2
Computer Vision	✓	✓			✓								✓	✓
Gesture Recognition	✓	✓			✓					✓			✓	✓
Machine Learning	✓	✓			✓		✓					✓	✓	✓
AI-based Control	✓		✓		✓					✓			✓	✓
Human-Computer Interaction			✓		✓				✓	✓				✓

ABSTRACT

The Al Virtual Mouse uses computer vision techniques to track hand movements and translates them into cursor movements on the screen. The system is designed to be intuitive and user-friendly, allowing users to interact with their computer without the need for a physical mouse. The virtual mouse is developed using Python and OpenCV libraries. The project includes the implementation of various image processing algorithms, such as hand segmentation, feature extraction, and classification. Moreover, it is robust to various lighting conditions, backgrounds, and hand sizes. The developed system provides an alternative to conventional mouse devices, particularly for individuals with disabilities or those who prefer a more natural way of interacting with their computers. The target of this project is the invention of something new in the world of technology that helps an individual work without the help of a physical mouse. It will save the user money and time. Real-time images will be continuously collected by the Virtual Mouse color recognition program When the procedure is finished, the program will use an image processing technique to extract the coordinates for the position of the desired colors from the converted frames. The virtual mouse system is evaluated on various metrics, such as accuracy, speed, and robustness, and compared with existing virtual mouse systems. Following that, it will compare the current color schemes within the frames to a list of color combinations, where various combinations correspond to various mouse operations, the program will execute a mouse command, which will be converted into a real mouse command on the user's computer.

Keywords: Hand gesture, OpenCV-Python, volume controller, mediapipe package, numpy package, Human computer Interface.

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செயற்கை நுண்ணறிவு வகை வரைவிலக்கண கண்ணியமான மவுஸ் கணினி காட்சி தொழில்நுட்பங்களைப் பயன்படுத்தி கை அசைவுகளை கண்காணித்து, அவற்றை திரையில் கர்சர் நகர்வுகளாக மாற்றுகிறது. இந்த முறை மிகவும் எளிமையாகவும் பயனாளி நட்பாகவும் வடிவமைக்கப்பட்டுள்ளது, இது பயனாளர்களுக்கு இயற்கையான முறையில் கணினியுடன் தொடர்பு கொள்ள அனுமதிக்கிறது, எந்த ஒரு உடைமையான மவுஸும் தேவையில்லை. இந்த மெய்நிகர் மவுஸ் பைதான் மற்றும் ஓபன்சிவி நூலகங்களைப் பயன்படுத்தி உருவாக்கப்பட்டுள்ளது.இந்த திட்டம் பல்வேறு படிம செயலாக்க குறியாக்கள், கை பிரிப்பு, அம்சப்பிரித்தல் மற்றும் வகைப்பாடு போன்றவற்றை உள்ளடக்கியுள்ளது. மேலும், இது பல்வேறு ஒளி நிலைகள், பின்னணிகள் மற்றும் கை அளவுகளுக்கு தாங்குவதற்கும் பொருத்தமானதாக உள்ளது. உருவாக்கப்பட்ட முறை பாரம்பரிய மவுஸ் சாதனங்களுக்கு மாற்றாக அமைகிறது, குறிப்பாக உடல் ஊனமுற்றவர்கள் அல்லது இயற்கையான முறையில் கணினியுடன் செயல்பட விரும்புவோருக்கு.இந்த திட்டத்தின் நோக்கம் தொழில்நுட்ப உலகில் புதிய ஒன்றை கண்டறிந்து, பயனாளர்கள் உடைமையான மவுஸ் இல்லாமல் வேலை செய்ய உதவுவது. இது பணம் மற்றும் நேரத்தைச் சேமிக்கிறது. நேரடி படங்கள் தொடர்ந்து மெய்நிகர் மவுஸ் நிறம் அடையாளம் காணும் திட்டத்தால் பெறப்படும். இந்த செயல்முறை முடிந்த பிறகு, அதிலிருந்து தேவையான நிறத்தின் நிலையை கண்டறிந்து, பதிலாக மவுஸ் கட்டளையை பயனாளியின் கணினியில் செயலில் கொண்டு வரும்.

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Abbreviation	Definition
HCI	Human-Computer Interaction
BANZSL	British, Australian, and New Zealand Sign Language
SVM	Support Vector Machine
OpenCV	Open-Source Computer Vision Library
GMM	Gaussian Mixture Model
CNN	Convolutional Neural Network
RNN	Recurrent Neural Network
IDE	Integrated Development Environment
PWM	Pulse Width Modulation
IDE	Integrated Development Environment
FPS	Frames Per Second
RGB	Red, Green, Blue (Color Model)
GSM	Global System for Mobile Communication
TTS	Text-to-Speech
ANN	Artificial Neural Network
HMM	Hidden Markov Model
GL	Gesture Localization

CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

1.1 INTRODUCTION

In the new present day progresses at extends the areas of exaggerated reality and contraptions that we will generally will as a rule use in our existence, these devices have gotten diminished at ranges the sort of Bluetooth or far off advancements. This paper proposes Associate in Nursing AI virtual mouse system that produces use of the hand signals and hand tip acknowledgment for performing articulations mouse limits at ranges the advantageous PC cheating adaptable PC vision. The most impartial of the projected system is to perform device pointer works and material performs using a web camera or a characteristic camera at extends the smaller PC rather than using an obsolete mouse contraption. Hand signal.

Also, hand tip area by misuse helpful PC vision is used as a HCI with the PC. With the usage of the AI virtual mouse system, we will follow the tip of the hand signal by using an intrinsic camera or net camera and play out the mouse pointer assignments and investigating work and together move the pointer with it.Python programming language is utilized for empowering the AI virtual mouse structure, what's more, Open CV that can't avoid being that the library for versatile PC vision is utilized at ranges the AI virtual mouse framework. Inside the projected AI virtual mouse utilizing hand signal, the model purposes the python Media-pipe bunch for the journey for the hands and for pursue of the tip of the hands, what's more, Numpy, Autopy, and PyAuto GUI packs were utilized for propelling the screen of the PC for performing verbalizations limits like left click, right snap, and examining limits. There the projected model show in a perfect world high accuracy level, and in this way the projected model can work respectably in clear application with the use of a cycle or where as not the utilization of PC GPU.

1.2 PROBLEM STATEMENT

The projected AI virtual mouse using hand signal structure could in like manner be familiar with beat issues inside the spot like things where there isn't any space to use a genuine mouse and set up for individuals who have issues in their grip and don't appear, apparently, to be prepared to manage a real mouse. Moreover, the COVID circumstance, it isn't safeguarded to include the devices by reaching them as an eventual outcomes of it's intending to achieve what is happening of spread out of the disease by reaching the contraptions, that the projected AI virtual mouse could in like manner be adjusted vanquished these issues since hand sign and hand Tip disclosure is used to manage the device mouse limits by using a camera or a characteristic camera like webcam.

While using a remote or a Bluetooth mouse, a couple of devices especially like the mouse, the contraption to connect with the pc, and besides, battery to drive the mouse to control a used, So all through this, the client uses his/her natural camera or visual camera and usages his/her hand movements to manage the PC mouse action

1.3 OBJECTIVES

- Develop a virtual mouse system that replaces traditional hardware-based mouse devices using hand gesture recognition.
- Utilize an inbuilt webcam to capture and process hand movements and fingertips for controlling mouse functions.
- Enable essential mouse operations such as left click, right click, and cursor movement through hand gestures.
- Minimize physical contact with input devices, reducing the risk of virus transmission like COVID-19.
- Promote contactless computing to support social distancing and maintain hygiene during pandemic conditions.

Pc vision systems were used for Motion affirmation. Open-CV python group includes as video get that is used to get information from a live video, essential issue we really want to perceive the applications the model goes to develop so the headway of the mouse improvement without reaching or using of the mouse

1.4 REVIEW OF MECHANICAL MOUSE

The mechanical mouse became a nearly universal tool for computer interaction in the 1980s, and continued to be dominant through the 1990s. The mechanical mouse Figure 1.1 now largely considered obsolete, replaced by the lightweight and low-cost optical mouse. They are similar in shape and function, but instead of the ball, they rely on optical sensors, which tend to be more reliable. To implement this, we will be using the object tracking concept of Artificial Intelligence and the OpenCV module of Python In this project, a finger tracking-based virtual mouse application.

Advantages of mechanical mouse:

- Let's users move the mouse to control the computer system.
- Offers precise mouse movement tracking.
- Disadvantages of mechanical mouse:
- The mouse rollers and button switches are prone to deterioration, which makes them malfunction.
- Needs a flat surface to function.

Figure 1.1 Physical Mouse

1.4.1 Optical Laser And Mouse

The motions of an optical mouse, which is widely used today, rely on LEDs, or light-emitting diodes, to detect movements in relation to the surface underneath them, but a laser mouse is a type of optical mouse that makes use of coherent laser lights. The optical mouse replaces the mechanical mouse, which relied on rollers to control movement, by using an image array of photodiodes to identify movement.

Components Of An Optical Mouse:

- Lens
- Light source
- Sensor.

These three parts are assembled on a custom base plate, i.e. Printed Circuit Boards (PCB), and the clip.The lens is the largest part and is mounted on the base plate of the mouse. In addition, it is still susceptible to button switch degradation, which will again result in improper mouse operation unless it is disassembled and repaired. Additionally, prolonged use without proper cleaning or maintenance can result in dust particles getting trapped between the LEDs, making it difficult for both optical and laser mice to detect surfaces it shown in Figure 1.2. However, despite these advancements in technology, certain limitations persist.

Figure 1.2 Components of Physical Mouse

The optical system of a virtual mouse is composed of three key components: the lens, light source, and sensor. The lens focuses the light emitted by the source onto the surface, ensuring that the light is directed precisely to capture the necessary data for motion detection. The light source, typically an LED or laser, illuminates the surface, enabling the sensor to detect changes in surface texture or movement. The sensor is responsible for capturing the reflected light and converting it into digital signals that are processed to track the mouse's movement.

Advantages of the Optical and Laser Mouse:

- Enables more accuracy with fewer hand movements.
- Extended life span.

Disadvantages of the Optical and Laser Mouse:

- Susceptible to button switch deterioration.
- Does not perform as intended when placed on a polished surface.

1.5 MOTIVATION OF VIRTUAL MOUSE

It is safe to predict that the Virtual the Mouse will soon take the place of the conventional physical in nature mouse in the not-too-distant future, as people strive to live in a world where every technological appliance can be operated and interacted with remotely without the need for any peripheral devices, such as remote controls, keyboards, etc. Not only does it offer ease, but it also saves money.

1.5.1 User-Friendly

Man-made consciousness has different applications in the present society. It is becoming fundamental for the present time since it can take care of complicated issues with an effective way in various ventures, like Health care, diversion, finance, schooling, and so forth. Computer-based intelligence is making our everyday existence more agreeable and quicker. This mouse requires a specific area of surface to work, in addition to having cable length restrictions.

Virtual Mouse doesn't need any of that since all that is needed is a camera to take pictures of the user's hand position and utilize those images to establish where the points should be. This innovative approach not only eliminates physical constraints. Furthermore, it opens up new possibilities for more natural user interactions and can be easily adapted to various platforms, including mobile and desktop environments.

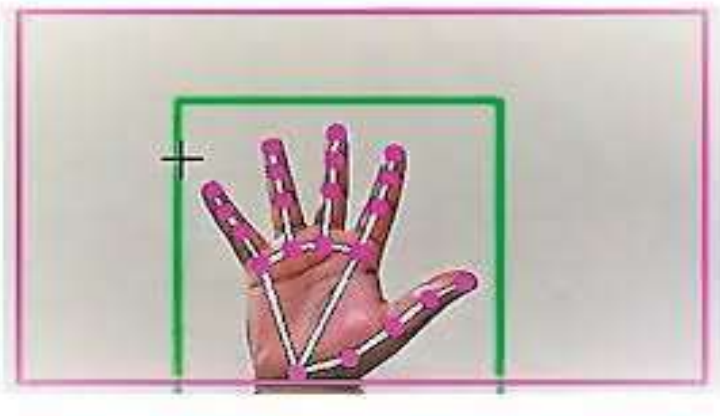

Figure 1.3 Virtual Mouse template

1.5.2 Cost Effective

An Al virtual mouse, also known as a software-based mouse or an on- screen mouse, can be cost effective compared to a physical mouse for a few reasons:

i. No need for hardware: A virtual mouse does not require any additional hardware, such as a physical mouse, to function.
ii. Accessibility: A virtual mouse can be used by individuals using a physical mouse.

1.6 PROJECT PERSPECTIVE

The scope of this project is to develop a virtual mouse that will be operated without touching any device or screen. In today's world where we are adjusting our living while being in a pandemic, a touch less mouse controller will be useful to eliminate the risk of spreading infection through touch on public service devices.

A virtual mouse will be introduced soon to replace the physical computer mouse in order to promote convenience while still allowing accurate interaction and control of the computer system. The virtual mouse can be used without touching the screen. This project can improve the scope of Human Computer Interaction technology to be explored more.

1.7 PROJECT GOAL

This project's objective is to build a Virtual Mouse application that emphasizes a few crucial programming concepts. The following describes the overall goals of this project:

i. The precision of the suggested Al virtual mouse is about 98%, which is higher than that of other systems that have already been put into use.

ii. Amidst the COVID-19 condition, it is not safe to use the devices by touching them because it may result in a hypothetical situation of propagation of the virus by contacting the devices, therefore the proposed Al virtual mouse can be utilized to control the PC mouse operations without using the actual mice.

1.8 IMPACT, SIGNIFICANT AND CONTRIBUTION

The usage of a hardware computer mouse in conjunction with manual mouse inputs and mouse positioning is projected to be replaced by the Virtual Mouse program. With the use of gestures, every job can be completed with this program, making computer use easier. Furthermore, by simply displaying the right combination of colors to the webcam, the Virtual Mouse program enables persons with motor impairments to interact with the computer.

In addition to its advantages in terms of accessibility and ease of use, the virtual mouse also offers increased flexibility and adaptability across different environments. By eliminating the need for a specific surface or cables, it becomes suitable for various settings, including remote or mobile applications. The use of a camera allows for a more dynamic and interactive experience, where users can control the system with simple hand gestures, making it intuitive and engaging.

CHAPTER 2
SYSTEM STUDY

2.1 INTRODUCTION

The current construction is contained a nonexclusive mouse and trackpad screen control framework, as well as the mishap of a hand development control structure. The utilization of a hand development to get to the screen from a nice way is unimaginable. No matter what how it is basically attempting to execute, the degree is just restricted in the virtual mouse field. The current virtual mouse control structure contains direct mouse tasks utilizing a hand attestation framework, in which we have some control over the mouse pointer, left click, right snap, and drag, etc.

The utilization of hand confirmation in the future won't be utilized. Despite how there are a gathering of frameworks for hand certification, the construction they utilized is static hand attestation, which is just a confirmation of the shape made by the hand and the meaning of activity for each shape made, which is restricted to a few depicted activities and makes a great deal of unsettling influence.

As progression drives, there are something else and more decisions rather than utilizing a mouse.

Coming up next are a piece of the techniques that were used: -

1. Camera Used in the Virtual Gesture Mouse project: Open- CV is python vision library that contains Associate in the organized AI virtual mouse structure depends upon the edges that are gotten by the camera in Associate in nursing passing computer.
2. Providing Input: Pictures in Computer Vision are portrayed as associations of numbers watching out for the discrete eclipsing or power values present in each picture pixel.

3. Moving hand through the Window using rectangular area: The AI virtual mouse structure uses the informative algorithmic rule, and it changes over the co-ordinates of tip from the camera screen to the pc window full screen for the mouse.
4. Detect the Finger tips and doing the Mouse Cursor improvements
5. In this construction, AI mouse is police evaluation that finger is up deceiving the spot co-ordinate of the particular finger that it'll found abuse the Media-Pipe and along these lines the specific bits of the fingers that region unit up, and according to that, the authentic mouse perform is played out its assignments.

2.2 SYSTEM STUDY

The primary goal of this research was to create a real-time hand gesture detection system based on the skin color model, which was published by Angel et al. Since hand gestures may readily communicate thoughts and activities, employing these different hand forms, when spot by the gesture recognition system and processed to create related events, have the potential to give a more natural interface to the computer vision system. However, it was unable to function in a complex environment and was only calculable in proper lighting. A Machine-user interface that performs hand gesture recognition using multimedia techniques and basic computer vision

The operation of a cursor control system using hand gestures captured from a webcam through a color detection technique performed in this project which was published by Abhilash SS et al. However, it was limited to a few mouse actions and is inoperable against a static background. A detailed explanation of the algorithms and methodologies for the color detection of a virtual mouse was given in this project by Kollipara Sai Varun et al. In this paper, Open CV (Open-Source Computer Version Library) is primarily used for video capture.

The system captures frames using a webcam or built-in cam and processes the frames to make them track-able and then recognizes different gestures made by users and performs the mouse function. The proposed system eliminates device dependency in order to use a mouse and can be proved beneficial in order to develop HCI technology. The proposed system is implemented in Python programming language using the Computer Vision based library OpenCV and has the potential to replace the typical mouse.

The primary goal of the Al simulated mouse device is to replace the need of a hardware mouse with hand gestures for cursor control. This project provided 99% accuracy, which is significantly higher than the other proposal. In which hand gesture recognition movement created a virtual mouse. In this study, hand tracking data were used which was published by B. Nagaraj et al.

2.3 EXISTING TECHNOLOGIES

Computer Vision Techniques:

Image Processing: Techniques like edge detection, feature extraction, and color-based segmentation isolating hand regions within the image/video frame.

Deep Learning: Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs) have demonstrated exceptional performance in image recognition tasks, including hand pose estimation and gesture classification. Popular architectures like ResNet, Inception, and MobileNet can be adapted.

Pose Estimation: Algorithms like MediaPipe and OpenPose utilize deep learning to estimate the 3D positions of key body joints (e.g., wrists, fingers), providing valuable information for gesture analysis.

HARDWARE:

Depth Sensors: Devices like Microsoft Kinect and Intel RealSense provide depth information, enabling more accurate 3D hand tracking and gesture recognition.

Webcams: Standard webcams can be used for 2D hand tracking, though depth information may be limited.

SOFTWARE:

OpenCV: A widely-used open-source library set of computer vision functions, including image processing, object detection, and feature extraction.

TensorFlow/PyTorch: Popular deep learning frameworks providing tools for building, training, and deploying machine learning models.

2.4 RELATED WORK

Numerous studies and projects have explored the development of hand gesture-based virtual mice, leveraging advancements in computer vision and artificial intelligence. These systems aim to provide an alternative to traditional input devices, enabling users to interact with computers using gestures. Such technologies eliminate the need for physical peripherals like a mouse, offering a more intuitive and natural way of interaction.

Strengths: Many existing solutions demonstrate significant accuracy and robustness in tracking hand gestures, even in dynamic environments. They offer user-friendly interfaces that support a wide range of gestures, such as point, click, scroll, and drag. Some systems have also integrated additional functionalities like gesture customization and multi-language support, enhancing their versatility.

Weaknesses: Despite these advancements, limitations persist. Sensitivity to lighting conditions is a common issue, often leading to inconsistent gesture recognition in varying illumination. Some systems also suffer from computational inefficiency, requiring high-end hardware to process gesture data in real time. Regardless, all of the systems under has its own game plan of checks.

CHAPTER 3
SYSTEM ANALYSIS

3.1 INTRODUCTION

In the evolving landscape of human-computer interaction (HCI), the quest for more intuitive and natural interfaces has led to significant advancements. Traditional input devices like the mouse and keyboard, while effective, can pose challenges for users with physical impairments and may not align with the dynamic needs of modern applications.Hand gesture recognition has emerged as a promising solution, offering touchless control and enhancing user engagement. By interpreting human gestures through computer vision and machine learning techniques, systems can translate these movements into actionable commands, facilitating a more seamless interaction between humans and machines.The development of a virtual mouse controlled by hand gestures exemplifies this innovation. Utilizing standard webcams and sophisticated algorithms, such systems can detect and interpret various hand movements, enabling users to perform cursor movements, clicks, and other functions without physical contact.This approach not only enhances accessibility for individuals with mobility challenges but also opens avenues for applications in virtual reality, gaming, and remote operations. As technology continues to advance, the integration of gesture-based controls is poised to redefine user experiences across diverse domains.

3.2 EXISTING SYSTEM

The existing gesture recognition systems primarily rely on basic machine learning models and standard sensors for detecting hand movements. While these systems can identify simple gestures such as clicks or scrolls, they often struggle with recognizing more complex or nuanced movements. The recognition process can also be hindered by environmental factors like low-light conditions, obscured gestures, or user-specific differences in speed and angles.

3.3 LIMITATIONS OF THE EXISTING SYSTEM

Despite their functionality, existing systems face several key drawbacks:

Limited Gesture Accuracy: Current algorithms struggle to detect subtle or complex gestures with high precision, leading to errors in user interaction. This results in decreased overall efficiency and user satisfaction.

Environmental Sensitivity: Low-light conditions, background noise, and obstructed gestures can significantly reduce the system's performance, leading to misinterpretations. This makes the system unreliable in real-world settings with varying environmental factors.

Lack of Customization: Many systems fail to adapt to individual user preferences or account for variations in hand shape, size, and movement speed.

Sensor Limitations: Traditional sensors often provide limited data, failing to capture detailed spatial and depth information, which reduces the system’s ability to interpret gestures in three-dimensional space.

In addition to these issues, user fatigue and gesture inconsistency are common challenges in existing systems. Prolonged use of gesture-based interfaces can lead to user fatigue, especially if the system requires repetitive or complex hand motions. Moreover, gestures often vary in execution from one user to another, causing inconsistencies that affect the system's ability to reliably interpret inputs. This variability can result in frustration for users who expect a more intuitive and responsive interaction. These factors collectively contribute to a less-than-optimal user experience and highlight the need for more advanced systems

3.4 PROPOSED SYSTEM

To overcome the limitations identified in existing gesture recognition systems, the proposed system introduces a more advanced and adaptable hand gesture-based virtual mouse using AI and enhanced sensing technologies.

Improved Environmental Robustness: To address issues with environmental sensitivity, the system integrates advanced image processing techniques capable of functioning reliably in varied lighting conditions and against complex or dynamic backgrounds. This ensures consistent performance even in low-light or noisy visual environments.

User Adaptability and Customization: The proposed system supports personalization by adapting to different users' hand characteristics, including shape, size, and speed of movement. This flexibility enhances comfort, accessibility, and overall usability for a broader audience.

Advanced Sensing Capabilities: By incorporating high-accuracy Inertial Measurement Units (IMUs) and optical sensors, the system can capture detailed hand motion, including spatial orientation and depth. This allows for accurate interpretation of 3D gestures and dynamic movement patterns, greatly expanding the range of supported interactions.

Culturally Inclusive Gesture Dataset: The gesture recognition model is trained using a diverse dataset that includes variations in gesture style, speed, angle, and cultural practices. This ensures the system remains robust across different user demographics and use cases.

Inclusive Accessibility Features: Designed with inclusivity in mind, the system provides a reliable alternative method of interaction for individuals with speech or hearing impairments. It serves not only as a contactless mouse alternative but also as an intuitive communication tool.

3.5 APPLICATION LAYOUT

Users must choose from the options in the primary menu since each option leads to a distinct function of the program when the application first launches in a console window. Users will get an error notice and be sent back to the primary menu if they choose the wrong choice. In order to get the best accuracy and performance possible during the recognition phase, the user can select and calibrate the preferred colors using the second option. In addition, the third option gives the user the ability to change the program's settings, such as the camera options, feedback window size, and other things.

Mouse Function	**Color Combination**
Moving	Initial color (e.g. Blue)
Left Click	(Un-pinch gesture) First Color + Second Color (e.g. Blue Green)
Right Click	First Color – Third Color (e.g. Blue + Red)
Double Click	(pinch gesture) First Color + Second Color (e.g. Blue Green)
Drag and Drop	First Color + Second Color (e.g. Blue Green)
Volume Control	(Un-pinch gesture) First Color + Second Color (e.g. Blue Green)
Scrolling Control	(pinch gesture) First Color + Second Color (e.g. Blue Green)

Table 3.1: The overall color combination of specific mouse function

When the first option is selected, the application will launch several processes, initialize the necessary variables, and then start showing several windows that show the binary limit and the HSV track-bars of individual colors, as well as a main window that shows the live-captured frame. Users can make minor adjustments to the HSV track-bars that are provided in order to increase the precision of color detection. Users must, however, have a rudimentary understanding of the HSV color model in order to set the track-bars correctly.

Two distinct regions, each with a red and black outline, make up the "Live" feedback window, which shows the real-time frame. The area that was highlighted in red denotes the dimension of the real display that users are utilizing, since the coordinates provided inside that area correspond to an accurate depiction on the actual monitor. The other two colors (for example, Green and Red) are only identifiable within the targeted zone, which is the area that was indicated in black.

No	Track-Bar Name	Purpose
i	H1	The upper boundaries of Hue plan
ii	H2	The lower boundaries of Hue plan
iii	S1	The upper boundaries of Saturation plan
iv	S2	The lower boundaries of Saturation plan
v	V1	The upper boundaries of Value plan

Table 3.2: The dynamic Track-bars Setup for Changing HSV Values.

Third option gives the user the ability to change the program's settings, such as the camera options, feedback window size, and other things. The length of time it takes the program to process a single frame will significantly rise if the size of the collected frames is too huge.

3.6 PROBLEM AND CHALLENGES

Several implementation problems arose as the application was being developed. The following lists the problems and difficulties that are likely to be experienced throughout the development phase:

The Recorded Frames Contain Short Bursts Of Salt And Pepper Sounds:

When the requisite HSV values in the recorded frame are too little, yet the frame was nonetheless subjected to a number of operations even though it was too small to be regarded as an input, salt and pepper sounds result. To solve this problem, it is necessary to first filter out all of the undesirable HSV pixels present in the frame, including the excessively big and small pixel regions.

Low-Tier System Performance Deterioration Brought On By Heavy Process Load:

The program might be CPU-intensive for the majority of low-tier systems since it must go through a number of processing steps in order to filter, process, and perform mouse actions in real time. The length of time it takes the program to process a single frame will significantly rise if the size of the collected frames is too huge. By processing only, the crucial portions of the frames, the program may avoid this problem and cut down on redundant filtering, which could otherwise cause the application to lag.

The Challenges Of Calibrating The Frame's Brightness And Constant To Obtain The Necessary Hsv Values:

In order to obtain the necessary color pixels, brightness and contrast intensity are crucial factors.

This leads to inconsistencies in gesture recognition, as the system might miss or misinterpret rapid movements.

CHAPTER 4

SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS SPECIFICATIONS

4.1. INTRODUCTION

The various functions and conditions used in the system are explained in the flowchart of the real-time Al virtual mouse system in Camera Used in the AI Virtual Mouse System. The proposed Al virtual mouse system is based on the frames that have been captured by the webcam in a laptop or PC. By using the Python computer vision library OpenCV, the video capture object is created and the web camera will start capturing video. The web camera captures and passes the frames to the Al virtual system.Capturing the Video and Processing. The Al virtual mouse system uses the webcam where each frame is captured till the termination of the program. The video frames are processed from BGR to RGB color space to find the hands in the video frame by frame.

4.2 MINIMUM HARDWARE REQUIREMENTS

- **Processor**: Intel Core i5 or higher (for real-time image processing)
- **RAM**: Minimum 8 GB (for smooth execution of machine learning models)
- **Camera**: Inbuilt or external HD webcam (minimum 720p resolution)
- **Graphics**: Integrated GPU (NVIDIA/AMD optional for model acceleration)
- **Storage**: Minimum 500 MB free space for model files and dependencies

The device should also have a decent amount of RAM and a processor capable of running computer vision algorithms without significant lag. Additionally, a stable internet connection might be needed for updates or cloud-based processing, depending on the system's design.

Webcam

The use of a webcam for image processing allows the application to process images and determine the positions of individual pixels.

4.3 MINIMUM SOFTWARE REQUIREMENTS

i) OS: Window 10 Ultimate 64-bit

ii) Language: Python

iii) Tool Used: Open CV and Media Pipe

Python Language

With the help of the Microsoft Visual Studio integrated development environment (IDE), which is used to create computer programs, the Virtual Mouse application will be coded using the python language. A python library offers many operators, including those for comparisons, logical operations, indirection, bit manipulation, and basic arithmetic.

Open Cv Library

Additionally, OpenCV was used in the development of this software. A collection of programming functions for real-time computer vision is called OpenCV (Open-Source Computer Version).

4.4 VERIFICATION PLAN

The Virtual Mouse color recognition must be capable of accurately and consistently identifying the majority of colors given by users while having no performance impact on other activities

- The real-time photographs are captured in either a dark or light setting.
- The real-time photos are captured on a backdrop with color conflicts.
- Users can engage with the software up close or from a distance.

CHAPTER 5

SYSTEM DESIGN

5.1 INTRODUCTION

There are two main steps in the process of color recognition: the calibration phase and the recognition phase. In the calibration phase, which will be utilized later in the recognition phase, the system will be able to identify the Hue Saturation Values of the colors selected by the users. It will save the parameters and settings into text documents for later use. The system will begin to take frames during the recognition phase and look for color input based on the values that have been stored during the calibration process phase and advancements in computer vision

5.2 OVERALL SYSTEM ARCHITECTURE:

The system adopts a modular architecture, comprising the following key components:

- Video Input Module: Captures real-time video frames of the user's hand using a [Specify camera type, e.g., standard webcam].
- Hand Tracking Module: Processes the video frames to detect and track the position and orientation of the user's hand. This module utilizes [the MediaPipe Hands library, a custom-trained convolutional neural network (CNN)..
- Gesture Recognition Module: Analyses the tracked hand features (e.g., finger positions, joint angles, palm orientation) to identify predefined hand gestures. This module employs a Hidden Markov Model (HMM), Support Vector Machine (SVM), Long Short-Term Memory (LSTM) network, rule-based system.
- Mouse Control Mapping Module: Translates the recognized hand gestures into corresponding virtual mouse actions).

- Virtual Mouse Interface Module: Emulates the input events of a physical mouse within the operating system. This is achieved using the PyAutoGUI library, platform-specific APIs.

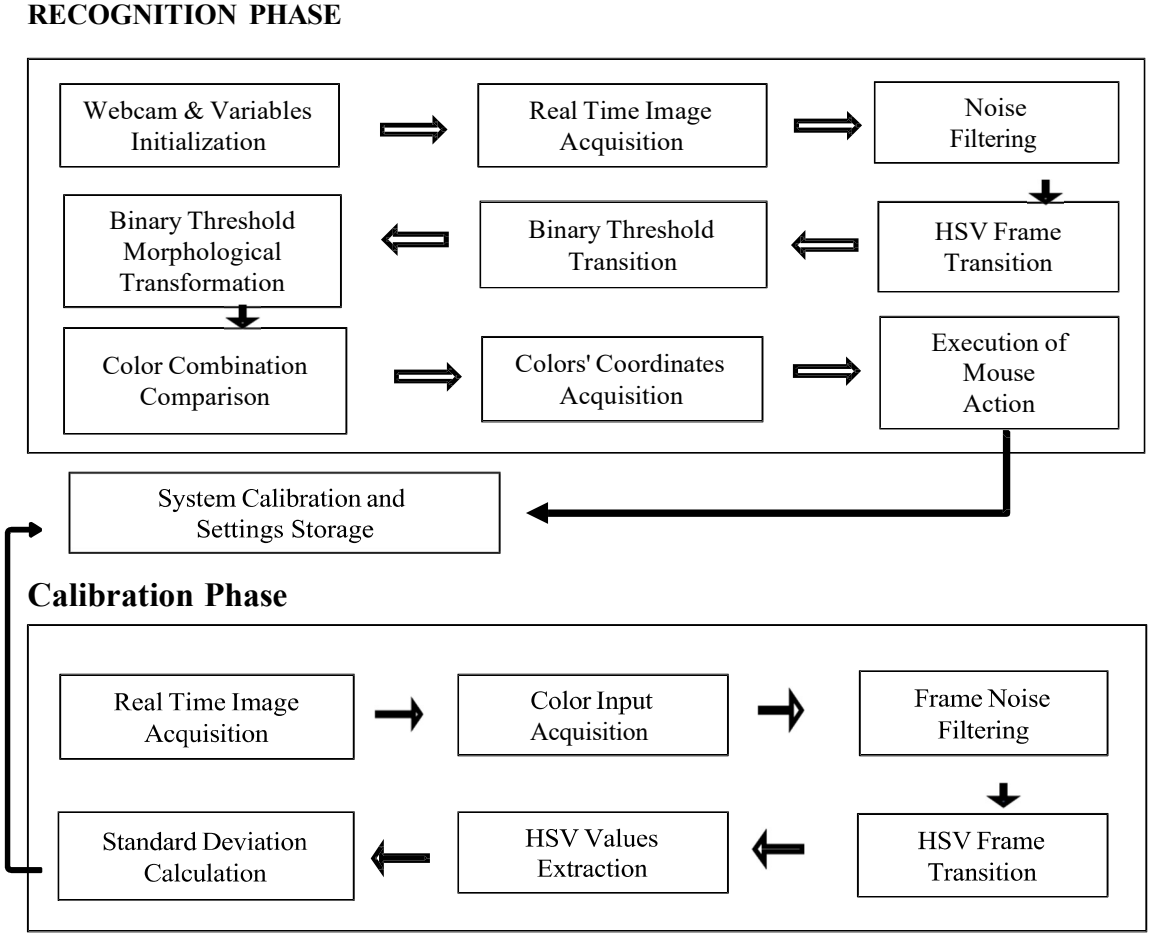

Figure 5.1: Virtual Mouse Block Diagram

5.3 MODULE DESIGN AND FUNCTIONALITY:

This subsection outlines the specific aspects of each core module that were targeted during the testing phase.

5.3.1 Video Input Module:

Function: Captures real-time video streams from the connected camera.

Implementation Details:Utilizes OpenCV's Video Capture class.

5.3.2 Hand Tracking Module:

Function:

Detects and tracks the user's hand within the video frames, providing key landmark coordinates.

Implementation Details:Employs the MediaPipe Hands library, which utilizes a machine learning model to predict 21 3D hand key points from the input image. The output of this module is a stream of these landmark coordinates.

5.3.3 Gesture Recognition Module:

Function:

Identifies predefined hand gestures based on the tracked hand landmarks.

Implementation Details: The trained Long Short-Term Memory (LSTM) network was used to classify temporal sequences of hand landmark data into the defined gesture categories: Pointing (cursor movement), Closed Fist (left click), Two Fingers Up (right click), Palm Open Vertical (scroll up/down), Pinch (drag)]. The model was trained on a larger dataset with different hand gestures.

5.4 SYSTEM INTEGRATION

Integrating hardware and software components is crucial for the seamless operation of the virtual mouse system. The integration steps typically include:

Hardware Setup:

Ensure that a compatible webcam is connected to the computer. Verify that the camera has sufficient resolution and frame rate to capture hand movements accurately.

Software Installation:

i. Clone the project repository from GitHub and install necessary dependencies such as OpenCV, Mediapipe, and Autopy using pip commands: **Pip install -r requirment.txt**

ii. Run the main script that initializes the camera feed and starts processing.

Real-Time Processing:

i. The software captures video frames continuously, processes each frame to a detect hand gestures, and executes corresponding mouse actions real time

ii. Implement background subtraction and contour detection techniques to enhance gesture recognition accuracy by isolating the hand from the background.

User Interaction:

i. Set up a user-friendly interface that allows users to start or stop the application easily. This may include visual feedback on recognized gestures or actions performed by the virtual mouse.

ii. Provide customizable settings that allow users to adjust sensitivity, gesture speed, and other parameters to personalize the virtual mouse experience, ensuring it works optimally based on individual preferences and environmental factors.

5.5 USER INTERFACE DESIGN

The user interface (UI) design for the virtual mouse system focuses on providing an intuitive interaction experience:

Visual Feedback: The UI may display a representation of the cursor that moves according to hand gestures. This helps users understand how their gestures translate into cursor movements.

Instructions and Controls: Clear instructions are provided for users on how to activate and use different gestures (e.g., making a fist to activate, touching fingers for clicks). This can be displayed on-screen or provided as a separate guide

Accessibility Features: The UI should be designed with accessibility in mind, ensuring that users with varying levels of ability can effectively interact with the system.

Testing and Iteration: User feedback should be collected during testing phases to refine UI elements, ensuring they meet user needs and enhance usability.

By focusing on these components—gesture recognition algorithms, system integration, and user interface design—the implementation chapter provides a comprehensive overview of how the hand gesture-based virtual AI mouse operates effectively in real-world scenarios. the architectural blueprint that governs the interaction between various software and hardware components, enabling the translation of human hand movements into precise virtual mouse control. A modular approach has been adopted, allowing for clear separation of functionalities such as video input, hand tracking, gesture recognition, and virtual mouse actuation. By detailing the design and functionality of each module, along with the overall data flow, this section aims to provide a comprehensive understanding of the system's inner workings and the principles behind its operation.

In summary, the system design for the hand gesture-based AI virtual mouse leverages a multi-stage process, starting from capturing real-time video input to finally emulating mouse events within the operating system. The modular architecture facilitates the integration of sophisticated techniques for hand tracking and gesture recognition, enabling a user-friendly and intuitive hands-free interaction with the computer. The defined data flow and the specified hardware and software requirements lay the foundation for the system's implementation and subsequent testing, which will be discussed in the following sections of this report.

CHAPTER 6
SYSTEM TESTING

6.1 INTRODUCTION

This section outlines the comprehensive methodology adopted to assess the performance and usability of the hand gesture-based AI virtual mouse system. The primary objective of this evaluation was to ensure that the system accurately interprets hand gestures, effectively translates them into corresponding mouse actions, and delivers a user-friendly experience. The testing process incorporated both quantitative and qualitative data collection methods to evaluate various facets of the system's functionality and user interaction. Quantitative assessments focused on metrics such as gesture recognition accuracy, response time, and system stability under different conditions. Qualitative evaluations involved user feedback sessions to gauge satisfaction, ease of use, and overall interaction experience. This dual-faceted approach provided a holistic understanding of the system's capabilities and areas for improvement..

6.2 TYPES OF TESTING

Functional Testing

Functional testing focuses on verifying that the software behaves as expected according to defined specifications. Unit testing examines individual components for correctness, while integration testing assesses the interactions between integrated units. System testing evaluates the complete and integrated software to ensure it meets the specified requirements. Acceptance testing determines whether the system satisfies business requirements and is ready for deployment. Regression testing ensures that new code changes have not adversely affected existing functionalities. Smoke testing conducts preliminary testing to check the basic functionality of the application, and sanity testing verifies that specific functionalities work after changes, ensuring no major issues exist.

Non-Functional Testing

Non-functional testing evaluates aspects of the software that are not related to specific behaviors or functions but are crucial for user experience and system performance. Performance testing assesses the responsiveness, stability, and scalability under load. Load testing determines the system's behavior under expected user loads, while stress testing evaluates the system's robustness under extreme conditions. Usability testing assesses the user interface and user experience for ease of use, and compatibility testing ensures the software operates across different devices, browsers, and operating systems. Security testing identifies vulnerabilities and ensures data protection measures are effective. Accessibility testing verifies compliance with accessibility standards to accommodate users with disabilities.

Environments Testing

Specialized testing focuses on specific aspects or environments of the software. Alpha testing is conducted by internal teams before releasing the software to external testers, while beta testing involves external users to identify potential issues before the final release. A/B testing compares two versions of a feature to determine which performs better. Mutation testing evaluates the effectiveness of tests by intentionally introducing errors. Recovery testing assesses the system's ability to recover from crashes or failures. Installation testing verifies the installation process across different environments. Localization testing ensures the software is adapted for different languages and regions, and globalization testing validates that the software can function in various cultural contexts.

Data Collection:

i. Performance data is collected during user trials, including:

ii. Success rate of gesture recognition.

6.3 RESULTS AND ANALYSIS

The results of the testing phase provide insights into the effectiveness and usability of the virtual mouse system. Key findings from the analysis include:

Gesture Recognition Accuracy:

i. The system achieves an average recognition accuracy of approximately 90% across various gestures, with some gestures performing better than others.
ii. For instance, simple gestures like open hand and closed fist showed higher
iii. accuracy compared to more complex gestures.

User Performance Metrics:

Users demonstrated a significant reduction in task completion time when using the virtual mouse compared to traditional input devices. On average, users completed tasks 30% faster after familiarization with the gestures.

User Satisfaction:

Feedback collected through surveys indicated high levels of user satisfaction, with most participants appreciating the intuitive nature of gesture control.

Areas For Improvement:

Some users reported difficulty with specific gestures under certain lighting conditions or when wearing accessories (e.g., rings). This feedback suggests potential areas for algorithm improvement, such as enhancing robustness against varying conditions. The system's output and a timer displayed on the screen were recorded using a high-frame-rate camera.

The time difference between the initiation of the gesture and the visual feedback on the screen was measured for trials for each type of action (movement, click, scroll, drag). The calculated calibration parameters were then applied to undistort the captured video frames during the gesture recognition process, leading to a more accurate representation of the user's hand movements.

6.4 ROBUSTNESS AND ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS

Objective:

To evaluate the system's performance under varying lighting conditions and with different hand orientations.

Procedure:

Gesture recognition accuracy tests (as described above) were repeated

i. Varying lighting conditions low light, bright light, backlighting.
ii. Slight variations in hand orientation (e.g., rotated slightly clockwise and counter-clockwise).

Latency:

Measure the time delay between gesture execution and corresponding action on the screen (e.g., cursor movement). Lower latency indicates better real-time performance.

Task Completion Time:

Average time taken by users to complete predefined tasks using the virtual mouse compared to traditional input devices.

User Satisfaction Score:

The User Satisfaction Score is an important metric for evaluating the effectiveness and usability of the virtual mouse system. It is collected through surveys that utilize a Likert scale ranging from 1 to 5, where a score of 1 indicates strong dissatisfaction and a score of 5 signifies complete satisfaction.

By gathering feedback from users, the score helps assess various aspects of the system, such as ease of use, responsiveness, and overall user experience. Higher scores reflect greater satisfaction, suggesting that the virtual mouse is meeting the users' needs effectively. This feedback is invaluable for identifying areas for improvement and ensuring that the system remains user-centric and optimized for different use cases.

6.5 DATA COLLECTION AND ANALYSIS:

Data was collected through automated logging of system events (timestamps, recognized gestures, actions), manual recording of task completion times and error counts by the researchers, video recordings of the testing sessions, and questionnaires filled out by participants. Quantitative data (accuracy rates, completion times, latency, Likert scale responses) will be analysed using statistics (mean, standard deviation, percentages) and visualized using charts and graphs. Qualitative data from open-ended questionnaire responses will be analysed using thematic analysis to identify recurring patterns and insights.

6.6 PERFORMANCE METRICS AND EVALUATION CRITERIA:

The success of the system will be evaluated based on the following criteria:

i. **Gesture Recognition Accuracy:** An average accuracy of 90%or higher across all defined gestures.
ii. **Average Latency:** An average latency of less than 150 milliseconds for all mouse actions.
iii. **Target Acquisition Time:** An average target acquisition time within 1.5 times that of a traditional mouse (based on pilot testing or literature).
iv. **Usability:** An average score of 4 or higher on the usability questionnaire. Positive qualitative feedback regarding ease of use and intuitiveness.

CHAPTER 7
SYSTEM IMPLEMENTATION

7.1 INTRODUCTION

The development of an AI-based hand gesture-controlled virtual mouse system signifies a transformative approach in human-computer interaction, offering a touchless alternative to conventional input devices. By harnessing computer vision and machine learning techniques, the system interprets real-time hand gestures captured through a standard webcam to emulate mouse functionalities such as cursor movement, clicking, and scrolling. This implementation aims to enhance accessibility and provide an intuitive user experience, particularly benefiting individuals with mobility impairments and in environments where touchless interaction is preferred.The system architecture integrates several key components: a webcam for capturing hand movements, computer vision algorithms for processing and interpreting these movements, and machine learning models trained to recognize specific gestures. Technologies such as OpenCV and MediaPipe are employed for real-time video processing and hand landmark detection, while libraries like PyAutoGUI facilitate the simulation of mouse events based on recognized gestures.

In addition to basic mouse functions, the system is designed to recognize a variety of gestures, enabling functionalities like double-clicking, right-clicking, and scrolling, thereby providing a comprehensive touchless interaction experience. The implementation also considers factors such as varying lighting conditions and background complexities to ensure robust performance across different environments. By eliminating the need for physical contact, this system not only enhances user convenience but also aligns with hygiene considerations in settings like healthcare facilities

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7.2 NEUTRAL STAGE:

In this position, the thumb finger is bent and positioned close to the palm, while the remaining fingers are straight and fully extended. This configuration is illustrated in Figure 7.1 and represents a distinct hand gesture or posture. Such a hand position could serve various purposes, such as signaling specific commands, emulating a natural grip, or interacting with virtual or physical interfaces.

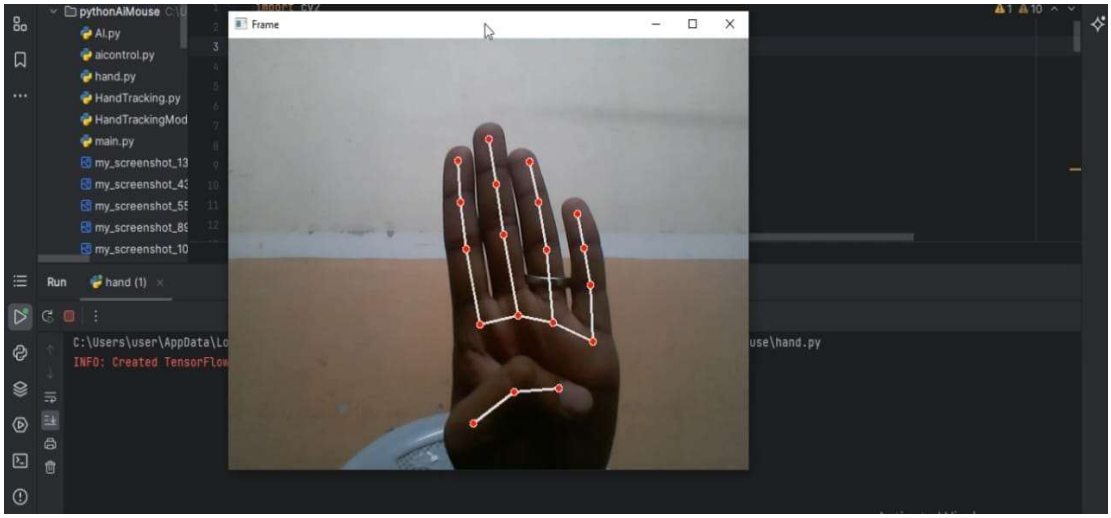

Fig 7.1 Neutral stage of hand gesture

The default state of a virtual mouse refers to its neutral or resting position when no specific action or movement is being performed. In this state, the virtual mouse is inactive, awaiting input or commands from the user. It serves as the baseline configuration for the mouse, ensuring stability and readiness for subsequent operations.

Output: No movement or cursor activity is triggered. The system remains in a state of anticipation, waiting for further gestures to determine the desired action

7.3 DOUBLE CLICK VIRTUAL MOUSE

In this gesture, the thumb and ring fingers come close together, forming a pinching motion as illustrated in Figure 7.2. The other fingers remain straight and extended outward, maintaining their position away from the palm. This precise hand posture ensures clear differentiation from other gestures, making it easily identifiable by the virtual mouse system.

Fig 7.2 Double click virtual mouse

The system interprets this gesture as a double-click action, enabling users to perform tasks such as opening files, launching applications, or selecting items in rapid succession. By assigning a unique combination of fingers to this function, the virtual mouse provides an intuitive and efficient method for executing double-click operations, enhancing the overall usability.

Output: The virtual mouse recognizes this gesture as a custom command or an auxiliary operation, such as opening a secondary menu, zooming out, or performing a gesture-specific task defined by the user.

7.4 DRAG AND DROP VIRTUAL MOUSE

In this gesture, the thumb and index finger come together in a pinching motion, while the remaining fingers are relaxed and slightly curled, as shown in Figure 7.3. To perform the drag action, users maintain the pinch as they move their hand across the screen. Releasing the pinch signals the system to drop the selected object.

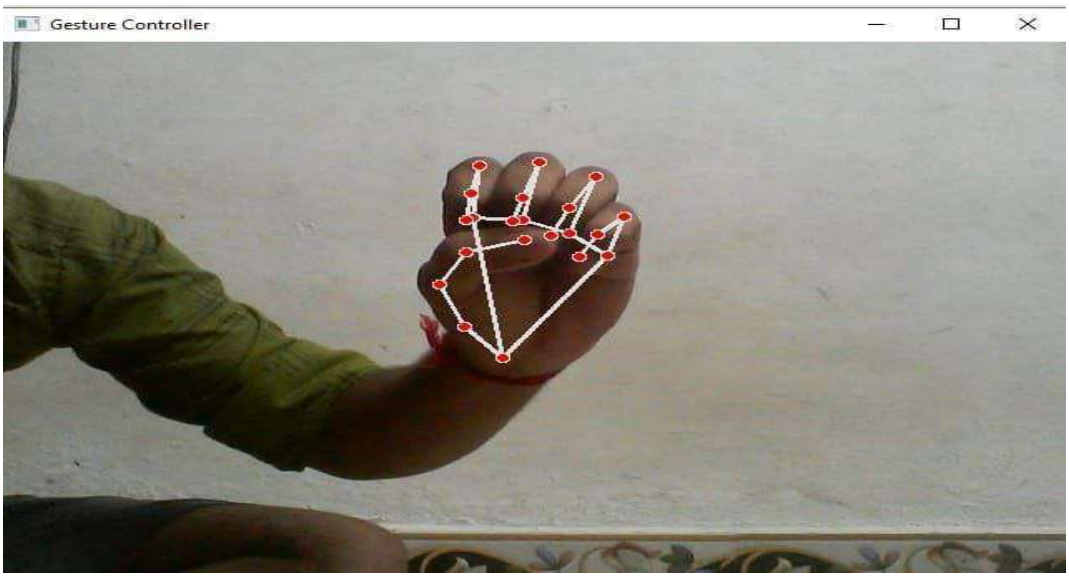

Fig 7.3 Drag and drop virtual mouse

The virtual mouse interprets this gesture as a drag-and-drop operation, allowing users to select an object, move it to a different location, and release it precisely where needed. This natural and coordinated gesture improves the efficiency of tasks such as repositioning files, arranging elements in a workspace, or interacting with virtual environments.

Output: The virtual mouse recognizes this gesture as a drag-and-drop action, enabling users to pick up and reposition objects smoothly and intuitively.

7.5 LEFT CLICK VIRTUAL MOUSE

In this gesture, the thumb and index fingers are brought close together, forming a pinch-like motion, while the remaining fingers stay straight and extended outward. This configuration is illustrated in Figure 7.4 and represents a distinct hand gesture commonly used for actions such as selecting or dragging objects in a virtual environment

Fig 7.4 Left click virtual mouse

The pinch gesture utilizes the functional independence of the thumb and index fingers, enabling precise control over virtual elements. This hand posture can be employed for interacting with touchscreens or as part of a gesture-based input system, offering a natural and intuitive way to perform operations like zooming, clicking, or picking up objects in virtual spaces.

Output: The virtual mouse interprets this gesture as a "select" or "click" action. The cursor on the screen responds accordingly, executing the corresponding command (e.g., selecting an icon, clicking a button, or initiating a drag operation).

7.6 RIGHT CLICK VIRTUAL MOUSE

In this gesture, the thumb and middle fingers are brought together in a pinch-like motion, as shown in Figure 7.5. The remaining fingers stay straight and extended, with no movement, creating a distinct posture that is easily recognizable by the virtual mouse system. This configuration highlights the functional independence of the thumb and middle fingers, enabling precise gesture detection and interaction.

Fig 7.5 Right click virtual mouse

The virtual mouse interprets this gesture as a right-click operation, allowing users to perform context-sensitive actions such as opening menus, accessing additional options, or interacting with objects in a virtual environment. This intuitive gesture simplifies the process of executing secondary commands, making the system user-friendly and efficient for both novice and experienced users.

Output: The virtual mouse recognizes this gesture as a scroll action, moving the screen up or down or executing a predefined command.

7.7 CURSOR MOVING VIRTUAL MOUSE

In this gesture, the index finger is extended straight while the other fingers remain slightly curled, as shown in Figure 7.6. The hand moves in the desired direction, allowing the virtual mouse system to detect and translate the motion into cursor movement on the screen. This gesture mimics the natural action of moving a physical mouse, ensuring an intuitive user experience.

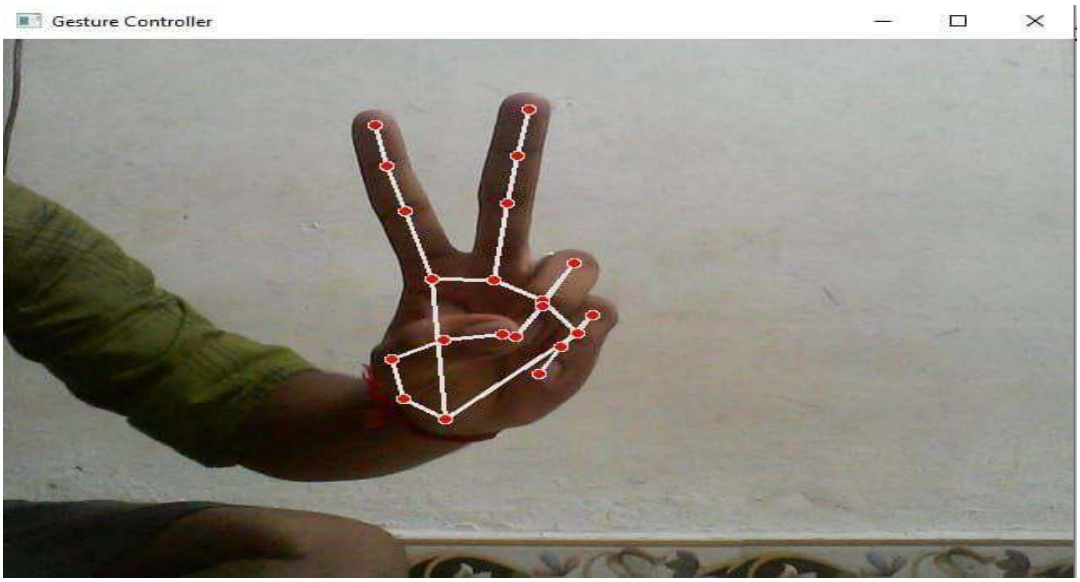

Fig 7.6 Cursor Moving Virtual Mouse

The virtual mouse interprets this gesture as cursor movement, enabling users to navigate interfaces, select objects, and interact seamlessly within digital environments.

Output: The virtual mouse recognizes this gesture as cursor movement, allowing users to control the pointer's position with precision and fluidity.

7.8 VOLUME CONTROL VIRTUAL MOUSE

In this gesture, both the thumb and index finger are extended and brought close together, while the remaining fingers are curled inward, forming a pinch-like posture, as shown in Figure 7.7. The virtual mouse interprets this gesture as a command to adjust the system's audio volume. By adjusting the distance between the thumb and index finger either bringing them closer or moving them apart the system detects changes that correspond to volume control.

Fig 7.7 Volume control virtual mouse

Moving the fingers closer together typically decreases the volume, while separating them increases it. This natural and dynamic interaction provides users with an easy and precise method to manage sound levels without needing physical buttons or sliders, enhancing convenience and user experience.

Output: The virtual mouse recognizes this gesture as a volume control action, enabling users to increase or decrease the system volume by adjusting the distance between the thumb and index finger.

7.9 SCROLLING CONTROL VIRTUAL MOUSE

In this gesture, the index finger and middle finger are extended parallel to each other, while the thumb and other fingers are curled inward, as shown in Figure 7.8. The hand moves upward or downward in the air, mimicking the motion of scrolling on a touchpad or mouse wheel.

Fig 7.8 Scrolling control virtual mouse

The virtual mouse interprets this gesture as a scrolling action, enabling users to navigate vertically through documents, web pages, or any scrollable interface. Moving the hand upward scrolls the content down, while moving the hand downward scrolls the content up. This intuitive gesture enhances user interaction by providing a smooth and effortless way to browse through information.

Output: The virtual mouse recognizes this gesture as a scrolling command, allowing users to move through content vertically with simple hand motions.

CHAPTER 8
CONCLUSION

In this project, we developed and tested a virtual mouse controlled by hand gestures, offering an innovative alternative to traditional input devices. Utilizing computer vision and machine learning algorithms, the system accurately recognized hand movements and translated them into intuitive cursor control with minimal latency. User feedback highlighted its ease of use, responsiveness, and potential for assisting individuals with mobility impairments. However, challenges like sensitivity to lighting, high computational demands, and limited gesture variety were encountered. Future improvements will focus on enhancing robustness under different lighting conditions, optimizing performance for lower-tier devices, and expanding gesture recognition, with potential integration of voice control or eye-tracking to enhance the user experience.Additionally, incorporating advanced deep learning models, such as convolutional neural networks (CNNs), could improve gesture recognition accuracy and adaptability. Developing a comprehensive and diverse gesture dataset will further enhance the system's robustness across various user demographics and environments. Exploring the integration of this technology into virtual and augmented reality platforms may open new avenues for immersive and touchless human-computer interactions.

CHAPTER 9

FUTURE ENHANCEMENTS

Enhanced gesture recognition leverages improved machine learning models and advanced algorithms to detect diverse hand movements with greater precision. Training on expansive and comprehensive datasets ensures adaptability to user-specific nuances, environmental variations, and challenges like low-light conditions or obscured gestures. These datasets also address variations in speed, angles, and cultural differences, making gesture systems more robust and effective.The integration of advanced sensors, including high-accuracy IMUs and optical sensors, further elevates performance. IMUs provide essential acceleration and orientation data, while optical sensors capture spatial and depth information. Together, these technologies enable seamless and accurate gesture recognition, finding applications in accessibility and communication. This includes empowering individuals with speech or hearing impairments, fostering inclusivity, and bridging communication gaps across various domains.Exploring the integration of gesture recognition technology into virtual and augmented reality platforms presents new opportunities for immersive and touchless human-computer interactions. By enabling users to interact with digital environments through natural hand movements, these applications can enhance user experience in gaming, education, healthcare, and remote collaboration.

CHAPTER 10

APPENDIX I

10.1 SOURCE CODE

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import cv2
import mediapipe as mp
import pyautogui
import random
import util
from pynput.mouse import Button, Controller
mouse = Controller()
screen_width, screen_height = pyautogui.size()

mpHands = mp.solutions.hands
hands = mpHands.Hands(
    static_image_mode=False,
    model_complexity=1,
    min_detection_confidence=0.7,
    min_tracking_confidence=0.7,
    max_num_hands=1
)
def find_finger_tip(processed):
    if processed.multi_hand_landmarks:
        hand_landmarks = processed.multi_hand_landmarks[0] # Assuming
only one hand is detected
        index_finger_tip =
hand_landmarks.landmark[mpHands.HandLandmark.INDEX_FINGER_
TIP]
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        return index_finger_tip
    return None, None
def move_mouse(index_finger_tip):
    if index_finger_tip is not None:
        x = int(index_finger_tip.x * screen_width)
        y = int(index_finger_tip.y / 2 * screen_height)
        pyautogui.moveTo(x, y)
def is_left_click(landmark_list, thumb_index_dist):
    return (
            util.get_angle(landmark_list[5],landmark_list[6],
landmark_list[8]) < 50 and
            util.get_angle(landmark_list[9],landmark_list[10],
landmark_list[12]) > 90 and
            thumb_index_dist > 50
    )
def is_right_click(landmark_list, thumb_index_dist):
    return (
            util.get_angle(landmark_list[9],landmark_list[10],
landmark_list[12]) < 50 and
            util.get_angle(landmark_list[5],landmark_list[6],
landmark_list[8]) > 90  and
            thumb_index_dist > 50
    )

def is_double_click(landmark_list, thumb_index_dist):
    return (
            util.get_angle(landmark_list[5],landmark_list[6],
landmark_list[8]) < 50 and
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            util.get_angle(landmark_list[9],landmark_list[10],
landmark_list[12]) < 50 and
            thumb_index_dist > 50)
def is_screenshot(landmark_list, thumb_index_dist):
    return (
            util.get_angle(landmark_list[5],landmark_list[6],
landmark_list[8]) < 50 and
            util.get_angle(landmark_list[9],landmark_list[10],
landmark_list[12]) < 50 and
            thumb_index_dist < 50
    )
def detect_gesture(frame, landmark_list, processed):
    if len(landmark_list) >= 21:

        index_finger_tip = find_finger_tip(processed)
        thumb_index_dist=util.get_distance([landmark_list[4],
landmark_list[5]])
        if util.get_distance([landmark_list[4],
landmark_list[5]]) < 50  and
util.get_angle(landmark_list[5], landmark_list[6], landmark_list[8]) > 90:
            move_mouse(index_finger_tip)

        elif is_left_click(landmark_list,  thumb_index_dist):
            mouse.press(Button.left)
            mouse.release(Button.left)
            cv2.putText(frame,"LeftClick",(50,50),
cv2.FONT_HERSHEY_SIMPLEX, 1, (0, 255, 0), 2)
        elif is_right_click(landmark_list, thumb_index_dist):
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            mouse.press(Button.right)
            mouse.release(Button.right)
            cv2.putText(frame,"RighClick",(50,50),
im = pyautogui.screenshot()
cv2.FONT_HERSHEY_SIMPLEX, 1, (0, 0, 255), 2)
        elif is_double_click(landmark_list, thumb_index_dist):
            pyautogui.doubleClick()
            cv2.putText(frame,"DoubleClick",(50,50),
cv2.FONT_HERSHEY_SIMPLEX, 1, (255, 255, 0), 2)
        elif is_screenshot(landmark_list,thumb_index_dist ):
            im1 = pyautogui.screenshot()
            label = random.randint(1, 1000)
            im1.save(f'my_screenshot_{label}.png')
            cv2.putText(frame,"ScreenshotTaken",(50,50),
cv2.FONT_HERSHEY_SIMPLEX, 1, \(255, 255, 0), 2)
def main():
    draw = mp.solutions.drawing_utils
    cap = cv2.VideoCapture(0)

    try:
        while cap.isOpened():
            ret, frame = cap.read()
            if not ret:
                break
            frame = cv2.flip(frame, 1)
            frameRGB = cv2.cvtColor(frame, cv2.COLOR_BGR2RGB)
```

CHAPTER 11
REFERENCES

1. Dudhane, Monika B. Gandhi, and Ashwini M. Patil in April 2023 conceptualized a study on "Cursor Control System Using Hand Gesture Recognition." In this system, the drawback is that the frames have to be stored first and then processed for detection, which is much slower than what is required in real-time.
2. Dudhane, Sneha U., Monika B. Gandhi, and Ashwini M. Patil in 2023 presumed a study on "Cursor Control System Using Hand Gesture Recognition." In this work, the limitation is that the stored frames are needed to be processed for hand segmentation and skin pixel detection.
3. Liou, Dung-Hua, ChenChiung Hsieh, and David Lee in January 2021 presumed a study on "A Real-Time Hand Gesture Recognition System Using Motion History Image." The primary drawback of the proposed system is the implementation of complicated hand gestures.
4. Quam in 2022 achieved a hardware-based system; in this model, the user is supposed to wear a data glove. Although Quam's model gives highly accurate results, many gestures are difficult to perform with a glove that restricts most of the free movement, speed, and agility of the hand.
5. Singh, Saurabh, Vinay Pasi, and Pooja Kumari in 2021 proposed "Cursor Control using Hand Gestures." The model offers the use of various bands of colors to perform a variety of mouse operations. Its limitation is owed to the fact of the requirement of different colors to perform required functions.
6. In 2023, a study titled "Gesture Controlled Virtual Mouse Using MediaPipe and OpenCV" was published. The system leverages MediaPipe and OpenCV to implement machine learning and deep learning techniques for recognizing user hand gestures.

7. In 2023, a study titled "Hand Gesture Controlled Virtual Mouse based on ML and Computer Vision" was introduced. This paper utilizes machine learning and computer vision algorithms to recognize hand gestures and voice commands without the need for additional hardware. Implementing convolutional neural networks (CNNs) and the MediaPipe framework, the system translates recognized gestures into corresponding mouse movements, enhancing user interaction.
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9. In 2023, a study titled "Smart Gesture Recognition Cursor Control System" was presented. This study presents a gesture-controlled virtual mouse developed using machine learning techniques. The system employs the MediaPipe library to recognize hand gestures, allowing users to interact with devices through touchless hand movements. The research emphasizes the system's adaptability and user-friendly interface.
10. In 2022, a study titled "Virtual Mouse Using Hand Gestures" was introduced. The study introduces a vision-based cursor control system that captures hand gestures via a webcam using color detection techniques. Users can navigate the computer cursor by moving their hands adorned with colored caps or tapes, performing various cursor functions such as clicks and scrolling through recognized gestures.

CHAPTER 12

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