SpotFinder Project Setup Guide (CPU Version)

This document provides step-by-step instructions to set up the SpotFinder project for the CPU version. Follow these steps to ensure a smooth installation and setup process.

Step 1: Install Anaconda

Anaconda is a distribution of Python and R for scientific computing and data science. It includes a package manager called conda.

- 1. Download Anaconda from the official website: https://www.anaconda.com/products/distribution
- 2. Follow the installation instructions for your operating system.

Step 2: Ensure You Have a Compatible CPU

The SpotFinder project can run on a CPU. Ensure your machine has a compatible CPU.

1. Check your system specifications to confirm the presence of a compatible CPU.

Step 3: Install PyTorch (CPU Version)

PyTorch is an open-source machine learning library based on the Torch library.

- 1. Open Anaconda Prompt (or your preferred terminal if you have Anaconda installed).
- 2. Run the following command to install PyTorch (CPU version):

conda install pytorch torchvision torchaudio cpuonly -c pytorch

Step 4: Install Project Requirements

The SpotFinder project requires several Python packages. Install them using pip:

- 1. Create and activate a new conda environment (optional but recommended):
 - conda create --name spotfinder_cpu python=3.8
 - conda activate spotfinder_cpu
- 2. Install the required packages:

pip install ultralytics==8.2.72 youtube-dl==2021.12.17 yt-dlp==2024.7.2 pafy==0.5.5 opencv-python==4.10.0.84

Step 5: Navigate to the Project Folder

- 1. Open CMD (Command Prompt).
- 2. Navigate to the main folder of the SpotFinder project using the cd command. For example: cd path\to\spot-finder

Step 6: Run the SpotFinder Project

- 1. Ensure you are in the main folder of the project.
- 2. Run the main script:

python main.py

Follow these steps to set up and run the SpotFinder project. If you encounter any issues, ensure all dependencies are correctly installed.