

An abstract composition of various 3D rectangular blocks in shades of red, orange, teal, and light blue, arranged in a layered, architectural style on the left side of the slide.

# **WASTE CLASSIFICATION WITH MOBILENETV2**

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# PROJECT OVERVIEW

Objective: Automate waste sorting by classifying images into "Recyclable" and "Household Waste."

## Key Learning Goals:

- Understand dataset preparation and EDA for CV
- Implement Transfer Learning with MobileNetV2
- Deploy the model using Streamlit



# DATASET AND EDA

- Dataset:
  - Original dataset was unorganized and required significant restructuring.
  - Images divided into two categories: **Recyclable** and **Household Waste**.
  - Dataset split: **70% Training, 15% Validation, 15% Test**.
- Categorization examples:
  - Plastic Shopping Bags, clothing, and tea bags as Household Waste
  - Aluminum cans, glass jars and cardboard as Recyclable
- Custom utility functions to:
  - Assign unique names to images
  - Sort images into respective categories
  - Check for corrupted files and unique image formats
  - Check data distribution across categories

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Training Distribution: {'householdwaste': 4900, 'recyclable': 5600}  
Validation Distribution: {'householdwaste': 1050, 'recyclable': 1200}  
Test Distribution: {'householdwaste': 1050, 'recyclable': 1200}
```





# IMPLEMENTATION DETAILS

## Model Training Pipeline:

- `tf prefetch()` for efficient data loading
- Early stopping monitoring validation loss
- Learning Rate Scheduling with exponential decay for dynamic learning rate

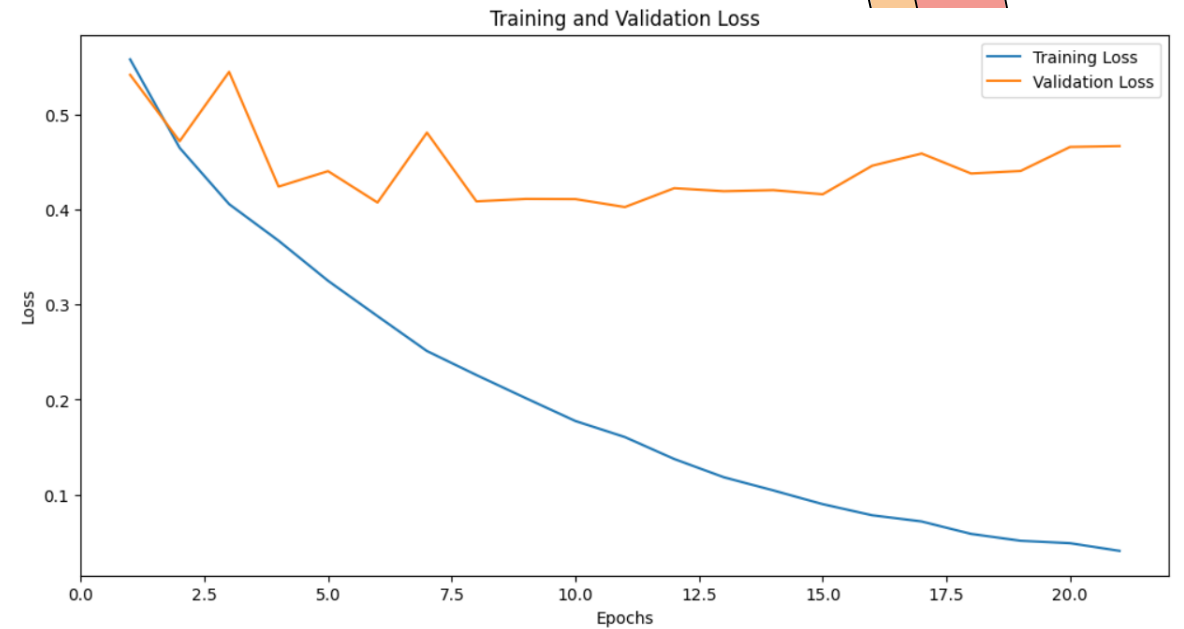
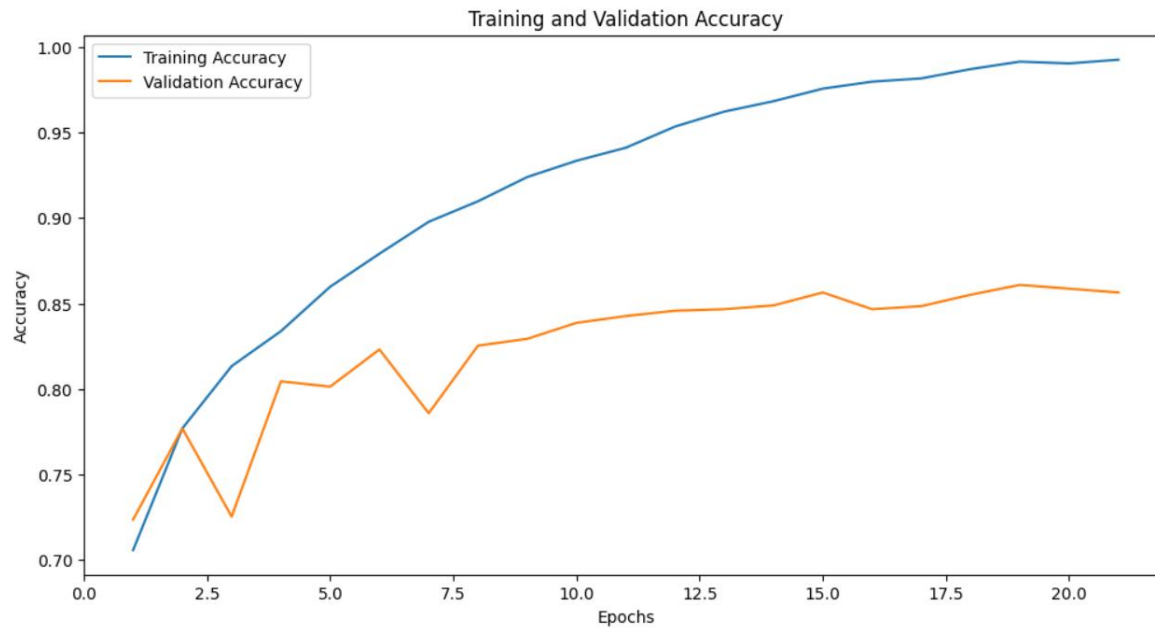
## Model: MobileNetV2:

- Pre-trained on ImageNet
- Base layers frozen
- Custom top layers for binary classification
- Compiled with Adam, Loss: Binary Crossentropy, Metric: accuracy

Model Checkpoint: Saved best-performing model based on validation loss

# TRAINING RESULTS

- Training Accuracy: ~98%
- Test accuracy of ~85.5%



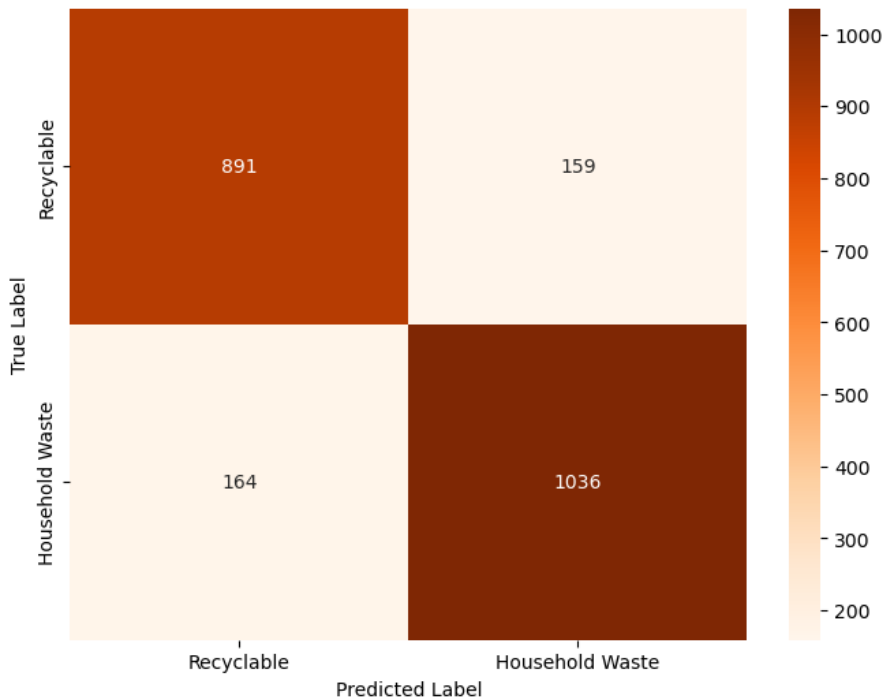


# MODEL EVALUATION

Classification Report:

	precision	recall	f1-score	support
Recyclable	0.84	0.85	0.85	1050
Household Waste	0.87	0.86	0.87	1200
accuracy			0.86	2250
macro avg	0.86	0.86	0.86	2250
weighted avg	0.86	0.86	0.86	2250

Confusion Matrix



True: Household Waste  
Pred: Household Waste



True: Recyclable  
Pred: Recyclable



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Pred: Household Waste



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# FINAL TIPS & TAKEAWAYS



Did we meet the Goals?



Achieved an automated waste classification system

~85% test accuracy



Preprocessing is key!



Transfer learning saves time and improves performance

Next Steps:

- Model Optimization:
  - Dropout layers
  - Augmentation (more?)
  - Fine-tuning
- Data Expansion:
  - Incorporate more waste categories and diverse images
  - Deeper exploration of the initial set of images

Incorporate distinction between product and package!



**THANK YOU**

