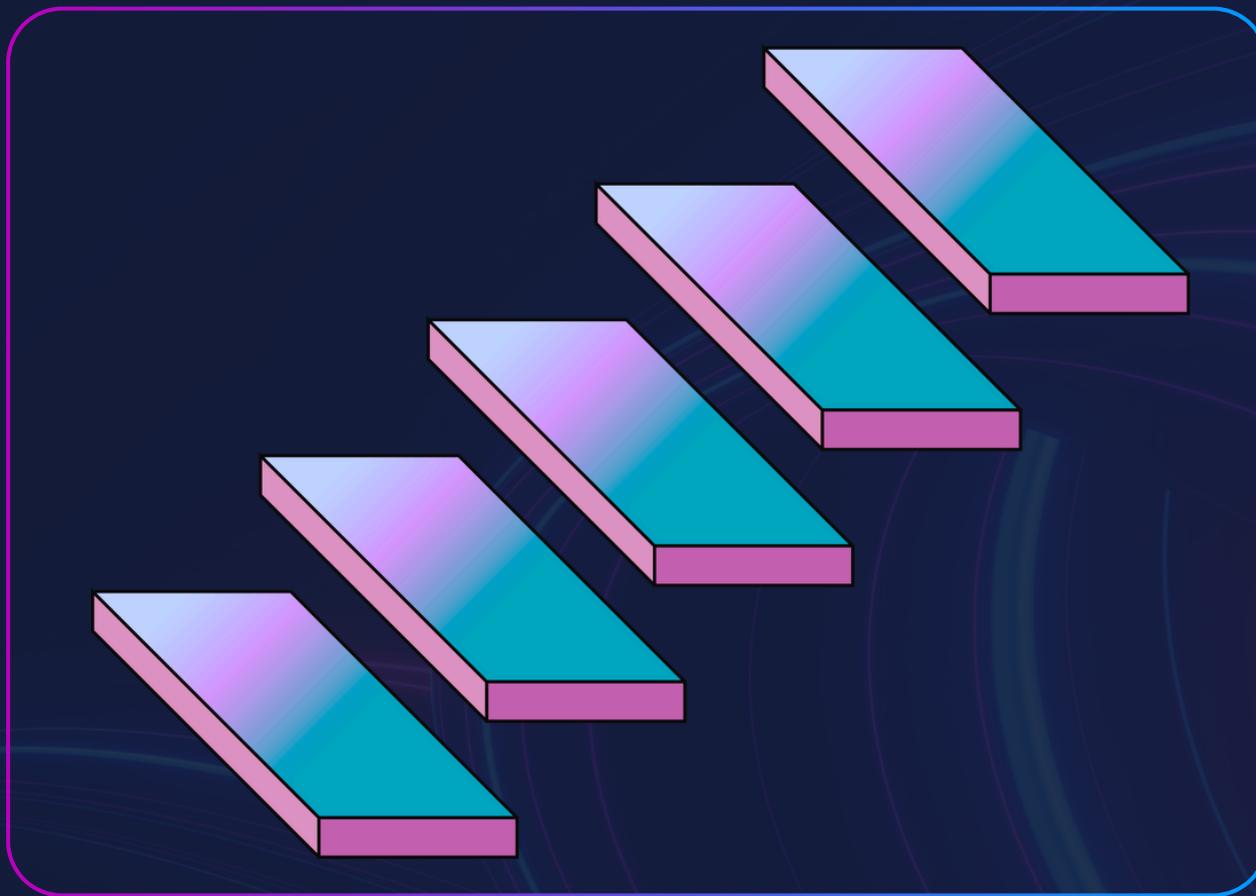


Stairs Counting project

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A Computer Vision Approach To Detect and Count the number of stairs.

Why does Stair Count Matters?

Accessibility

Accident prevention

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RoadMap of our computer vision approach





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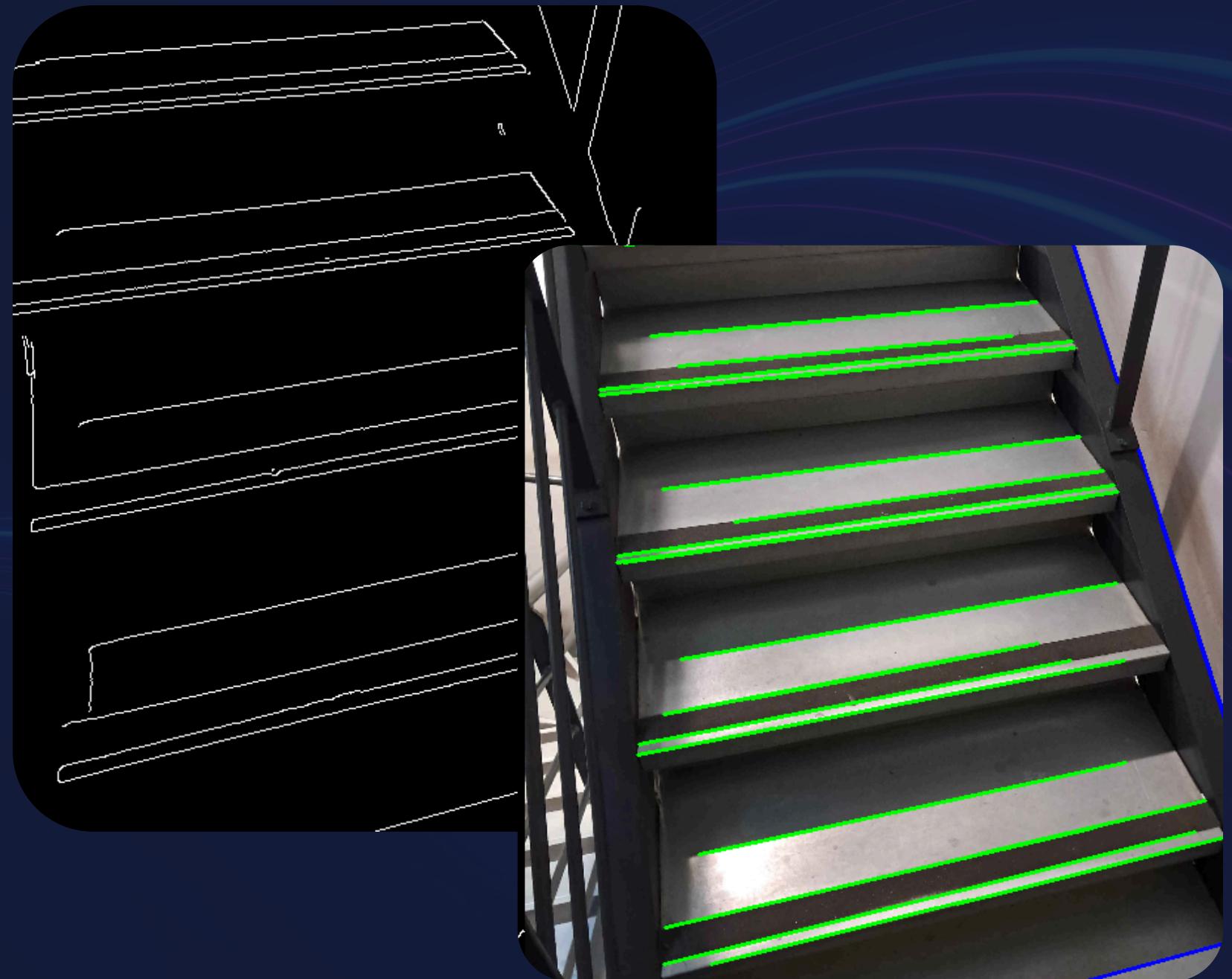
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Pre - Processing :

- Resize image
- Convert to grey scale
- Edge detection using Canny algorithme





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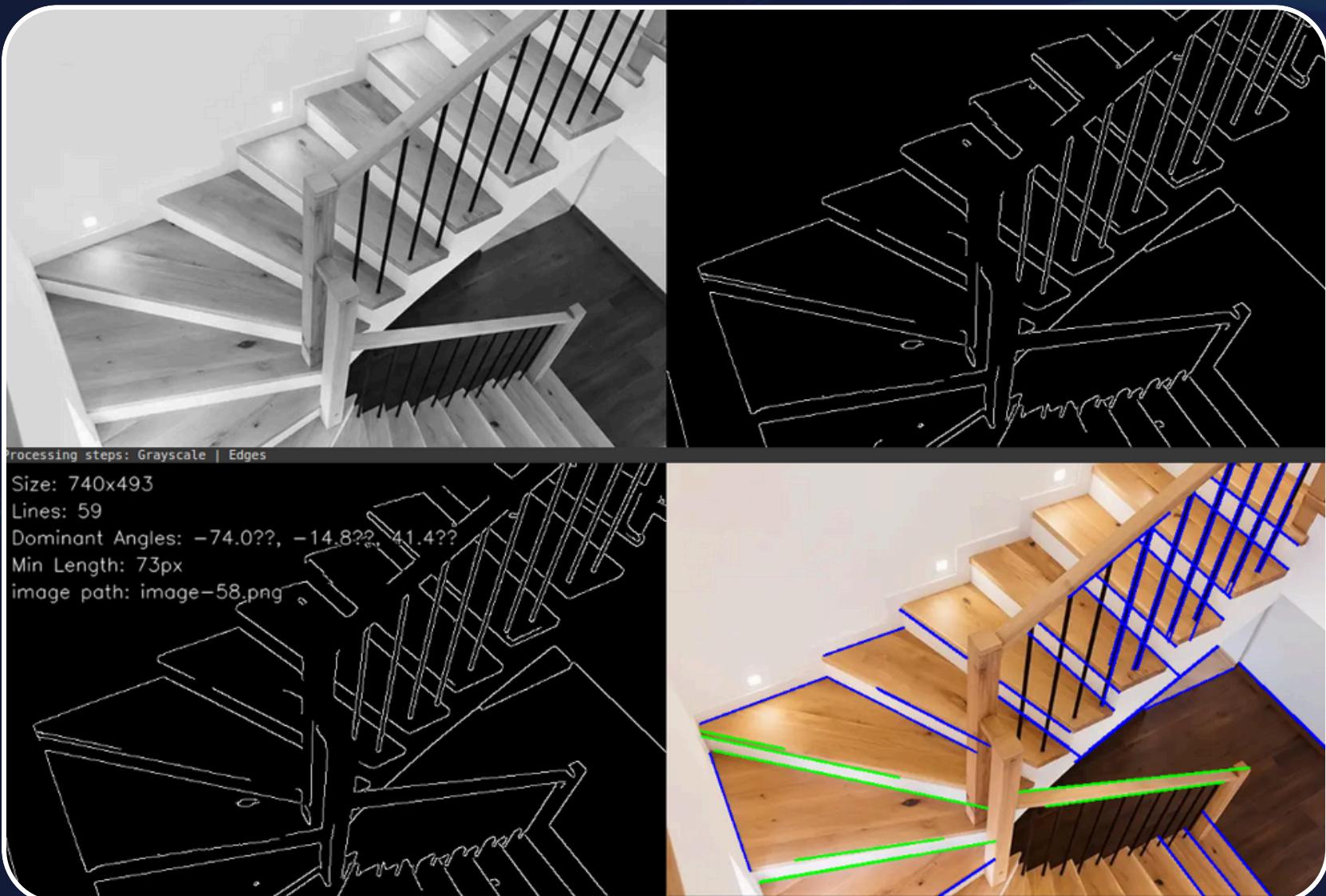
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Core Strategy :

1. Detect lines using Hough transform
2. Analyze & Cluster Dominant Angles
3. Filter out the outliers
4. Visualize the results





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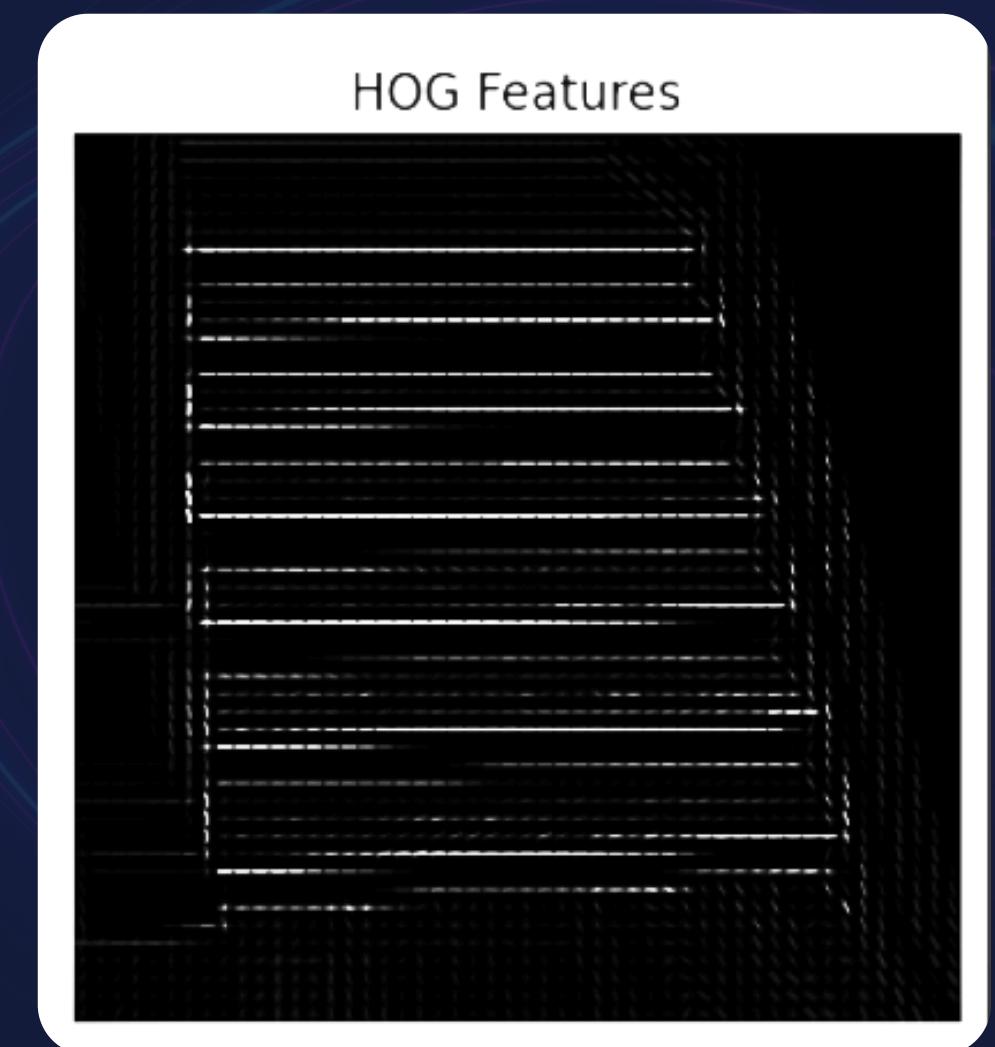
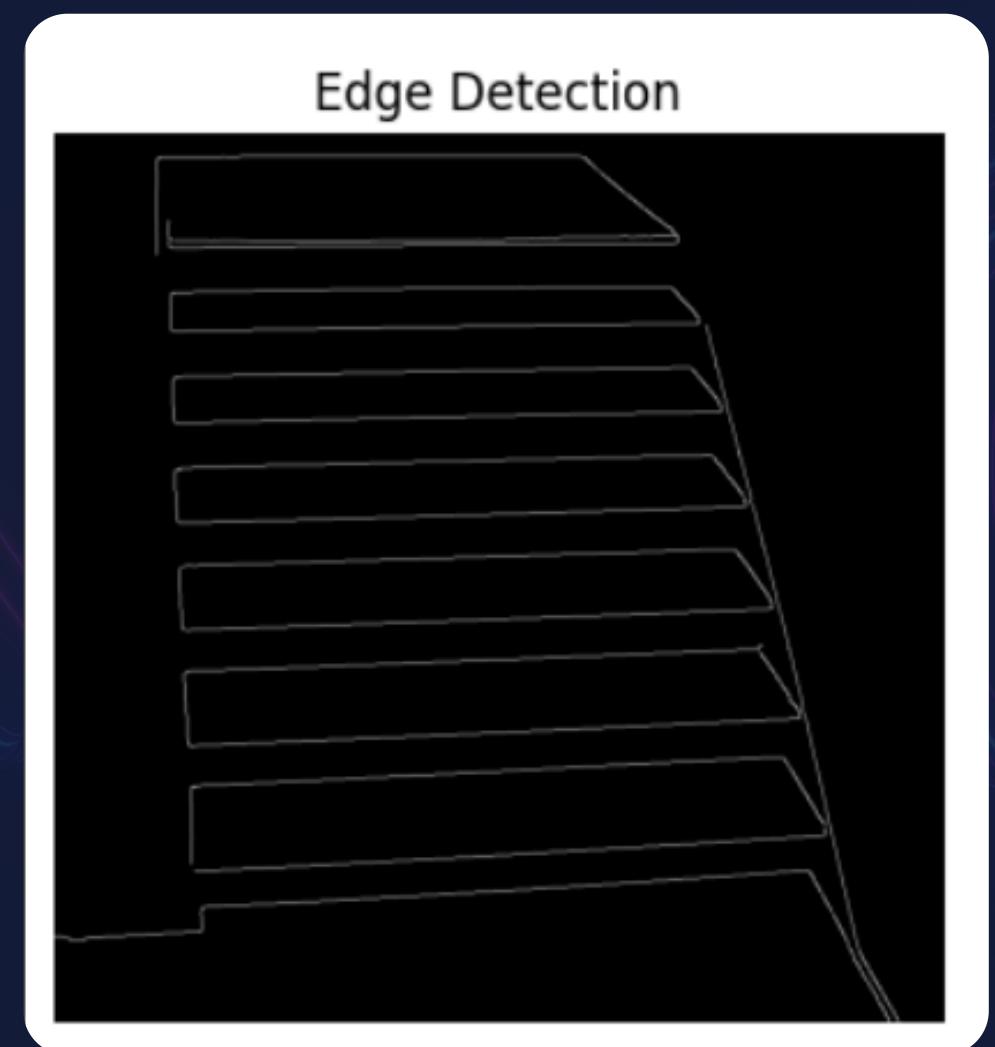
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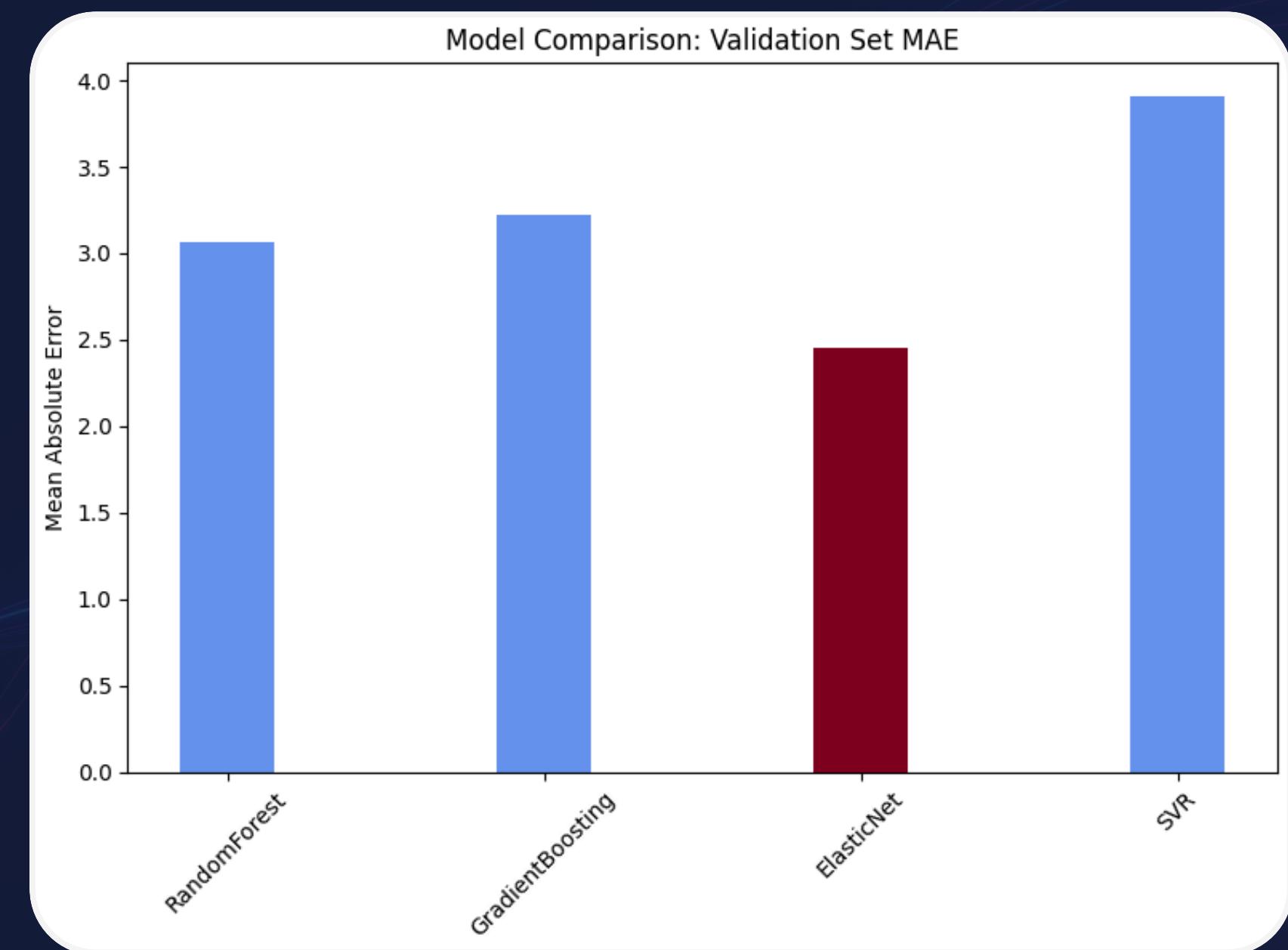
Integration With Machine Learning

- Feature Extraction Using HOG feature
- ElasticNet ML
- Train / Validate / Test
- Score Results using MAE



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- Effective pre processing
- Testing different ML models : RandomForest, Gradient boosting, SVR, ElasticNet.
- Calculating and comparing the MAE results with the splitted dataset on the best ML model





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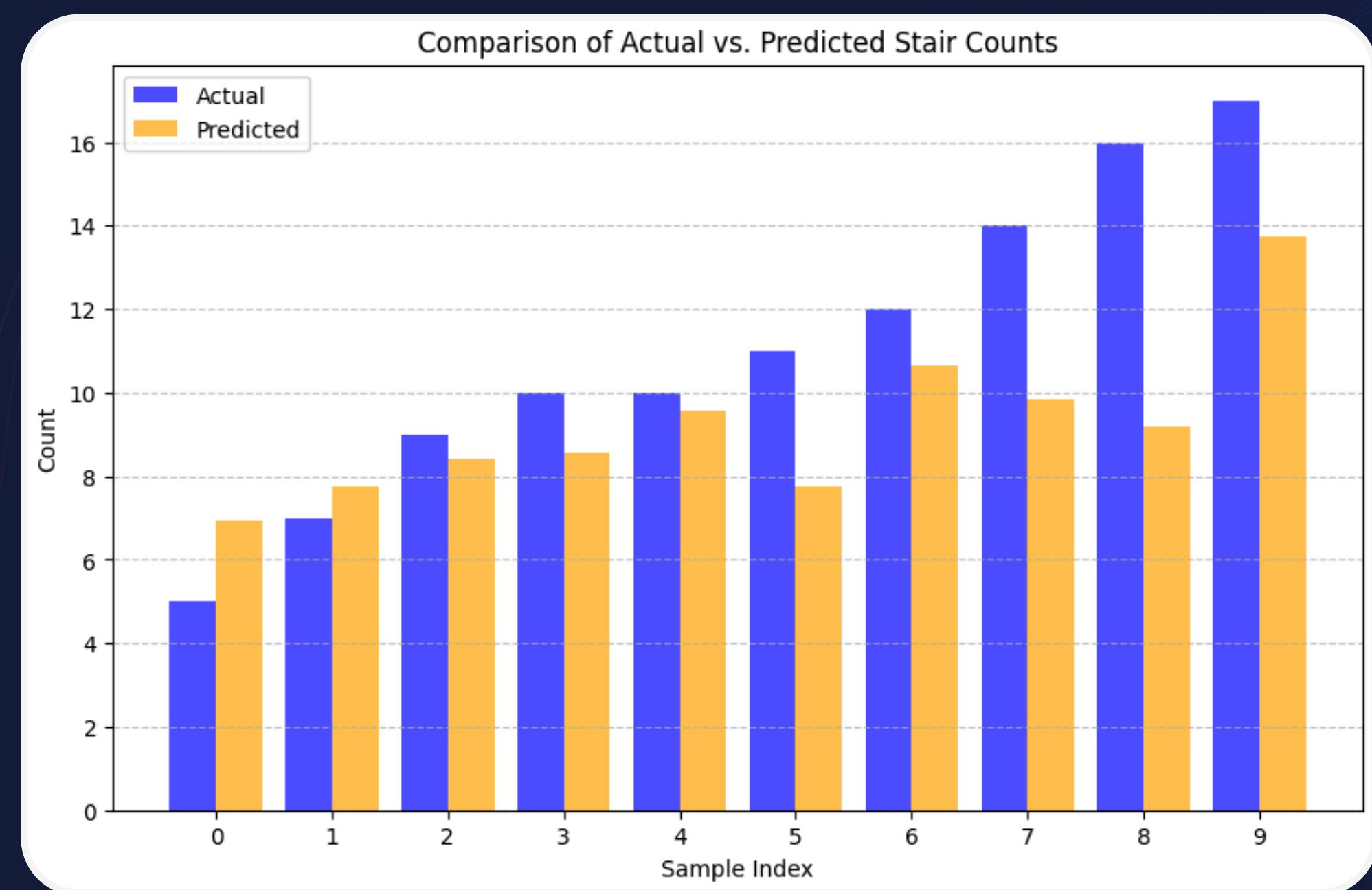
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Why ElasticNet?

- Performs better on correlated features .
 - Gives clear coefficients that show how each feature influences the outcome.
 - It can select relevant features and shrink others toward zero.
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- Much Faster as opposed to non-linear ML such as Random Forest which grows multiple decision trees, making it computationally expensive, especially when hyperparameter tuning is involved.

Evaluation 3/4





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The goal is to predict the number of steps in a staircase (numerical value not a categorical), which is a quantitative value, this makes it a regression problem.

Hence the reason behind “Mean Absolute Error (MAE) evaluation, to measure how far off the predictions are from the ground truth.



Evaluating models on validation set...

Model: RandomForest, Validation MAE: 3.0641

Model: GradientBoosting, Validation MAE: 3.2215

Model: ElasticNet, Validation MAE: 2.4508

Model: SVR, Validation MAE: 3.9046

Best model: ElasticNet with Validation MAE: 2.4508

Test Set MAE with ElasticNet: 2.3943

Our Best MAE Score Is : **2.39**



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In this project we were able to get promising results using the ElasticNet model that provided the lowest MAE values

Faced challenges:

- Fine tuning the hyper parameters
- Feature extraction algorithms
- Machine learning model choice

Future Work:

- Rotation Invariance
- Ensemble Models
- CNNs
- More Data



Thank You

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ANY QUESTIONS?