

- 1、 Install several third-party libraries: this demo code is based on python2. To run this demo, you should install a series of dependency, including boost-python, ffmpeg, numpy, PIL, opencv and other third-party libraries. For ease of installation, this demo provide scripts that can help you install python2, pip and all the dependency needed. There are four installation scripts, which support different os, including windows32, windows64, Linux and macos. They are under the path shown below:

tello_video_simple > install				
名称	修改日期	类型	大小	
Linux	2018/10/19 17:10	文件夹		
Mac	2018/10/19 17:10	文件夹		
Windows	2018/10/19 17:10	文件夹		

So you can select one of the scripts according to your computer os. And you should copy the script to the path where main.py is located. Then run the script.

Explanation of the use of the dependencies:

pip: Assist you install other dependency. Homebrew is installed in addition if macos.

boost: Use the boost-python, in order to enable the interaction between libh264decoder based on c++ and the main program based on python.

ffmpeg: Call by the libh264decoder, to help decode the h264decoder.

numpy: For some calculation of the Two-dimensional image matrix data.

opencv: For image processing

PIL, Tkinter: Enable the GUI and its control panel.

cmake: To compile the source code of the h264decoder, and release the dynamic link library.

- 2、 Run the demo: Connect to tello's wifi, and run the main.py with python2.
- 3、 Documents related to the h264decoder: decoding of the h264 video data received is enable by call the dynamic link library named libh264decoder. Their path are shown below, and the source code is under this path:

tello_video_simple > h264decoder				
名称	修改日期	类型	大小	
Linux	2018/10/19 17:10	文件夹		
Mac	2018/10/19 17:10	文件夹		
Windows	2018/10/19 17:10	文件夹		
CMakeLists.txt	2018/10/19 17:10	文本文档	2 KB	
h264decoder.cpp	2018/10/19 17:10	C++ Source	4 KB	
h264decoder.hpp	2018/10/19 17:10	C/C++ Header	4 KB	
h264decoder_python.cpp	2018/10/19 17:10	C++ Source	5 KB	
readme.md	2018/10/19 17:10	MD 文件	1 KB	

- 4、 Call the libh264decoder in python main program: In the tello.py file, libh264decoder is imported:

```
import numpy as np
import libh264decoder
```

Listen to the data stream with the port number 11111 through UDP. The data stream is encoded with the format of h264. Because size of encoded data of one frame image in this stream is larger than the maximum load for a single udp transmission, every segment of one frame encoded picture data are divided into different blocks, with the unit size of 1460

bytes. And the last block of a image data is smaller than 1460 bytes.

So by detecting the size of the block, it can be determined whether the data block is the end of the data of the current single image. Splicing the last block in sequence with the data blocks previously listened to, you can get the complete encoded data of a single image. Call the libh264decoder. H264Decoder, and transfer the param of a single image data, with the format of string. The function will return the decoded image data.

Codes related are shown below:

```
54 self.decoder = libh264decoder.H264Decoder()

120 def _receive_video_thread(self):
121     """
122     Listens for video streaming (raw h264) from the Tello.
123
124     Runs as a thread, sets self.frame to the most recent frame Tello captured.
125
126     """
127     packet_data = ""
128     while True:
129         try:
130             res_string, ip = self.socket_video.recvfrom(2048)
131             packet_data += res_string
132             # end of frame
133             if len(res_string) != 1460:
134                 for frame in self._h264_decode(packet_data):
135                     self.frame = frame
136                 packet_data = ""
137
138             except socket.error as exc:
139                 print ("Caught exception socket.error : %s" % exc)
140
141 def _h264_decode(self, packet_data):
142     """
143     decode raw h264 format data from Tello
144
145     :param packet_data: raw h264 data array
146
147     :return: a list of decoded frame
148     """
149     res_frame_list = []
150     frames = self.decoder.decode(packet_data)
151     for framedata in frames:
152         (frame, w, h, ls) = framedata
153         if frame is not None:
154             # print 'frame size %i bytes, w %i, h %i, linesize %i' % (len(frame), w, h, ls)
155
156             frame = np.fromstring(frame, dtype=np.ubyte, count=len(frame), sep='')
157             frame = (frame.reshape((h, ls / 3, 3)))
158             frame = frame[:, :w, :]
159             res_frame_list.append(frame)
160
161     return res_frame_list
```

- 5、 For the method of calling a single frame image after decoding, refer to the function in tello.py:

```
def read(self):
    """Return the last frame from camera."""
    if self.is_freeze:
        return self.last_frame
    else:
        return self.frame
```

Called in tello_control_ui.py:

```
130 # Read the frame for pose recognition  
131 self.frame = self.tello.read()  
132 if self.frame is None:
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