# Immersive Space Digital Twin

# Early Fire Detection System by Using Automatic Synthetic Dataset Generation Model Based on Digital Twins

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### Abstract



- The early detection of fires is a very important task in preventing large-scale accidents; however, there are currently almost no learnable early fire datasets for machine learning
- Generates synthetic fire data according to various fire situations in each specific space
  - Performs transfer learning using a state-of-the-art detection model with these datasets
  - → Distributes them to AloT devices in the real space



#### [Keywords]

- Digital twin smart city
- Particle system
- Synthetic learning data

- Object detection
- Early fire detection

## 1. Introduction



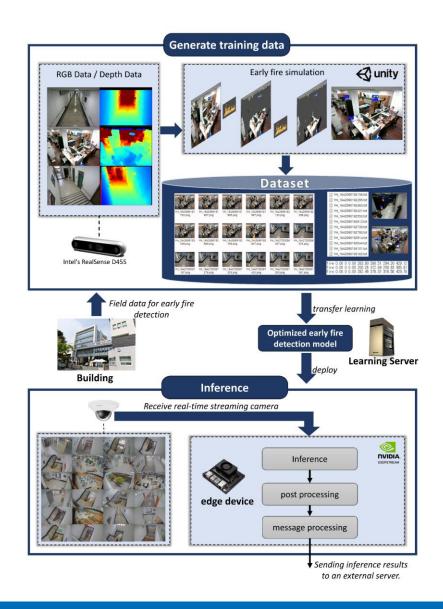


- Studies on smart cities: Al & IoT
- Digital Twin: Reflect the real world in a digital virtual space by sending data on the physical space gathered via IoT

⇒ propose an early fire detection system using a digital-twin-based autonomous learning data generation model that can detect fires via image recognition sensors such as CCTVs.

## 2. Materials and Methods





Real image data collection

- > Virtual fire occurrence composite image generation
- Automatic generation of learning datasets
- Fire early model transfer learning
- Al device inference
- Post-processing

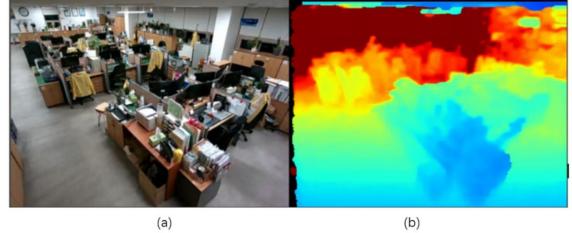
## 2.1. Real Environment Data





- Intel's RealSense D455
  - : Collect the RGB and Depth data required to create virtual data

- RealSense Viewer
- RealSense SDK → desired frame data can be obtained
- To secure actual image data at various sites,
  the recording was conducted considering possible
  environmental changes at the site, such as when the lights were turned off

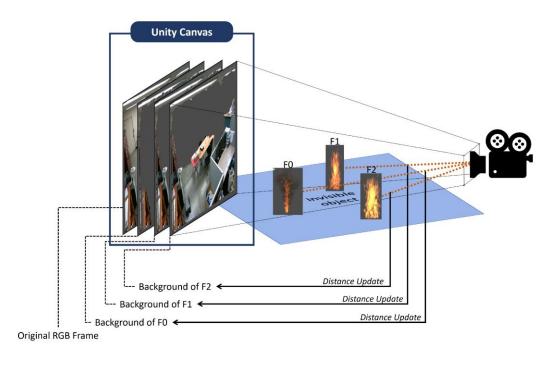






- Unity3D's Particle System → Virtual fire
- RealSense SDK
  - : Recorded images from the actual environment + Virtual fire
- Background Segmentation Shader







Create unprocessed RGB frames on Canvas in Unity3D

- Begin rendering from the fire that is furthest away from the camera
- Draw each fire, then calculate the distance between it and the virtual camera
- Pixels closest to the fire are covered by rendering the result of transparently executing a Background Segmentation of all pixels having a longer distance value











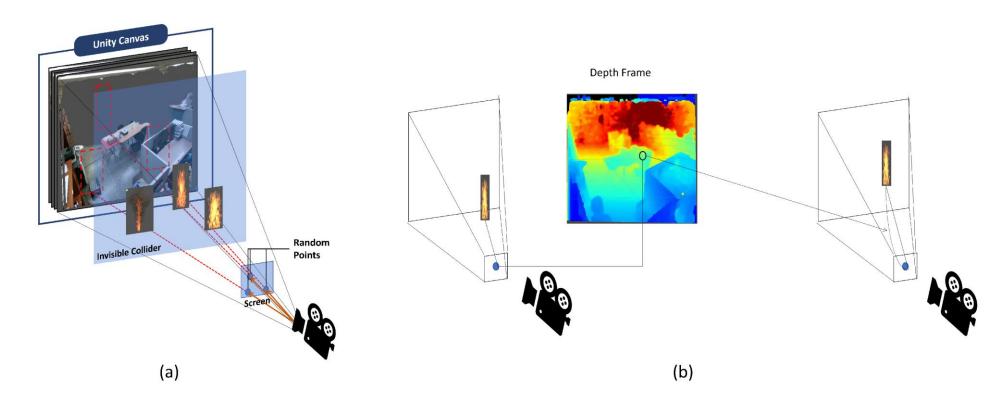


- The scale of the fires: small, medium, large
- Combustible materials(12): alcohol, animals, electricity, fibers, gasoline, kitchen fires, lamp oil, paint, plastic, rubber, vegetable oil, and wiring

#### 2.3. Automatic Dataset Generation



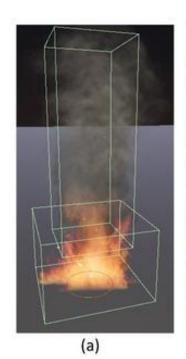
- A virtual fire must be maintained at an acceptable distance as it approaches the virtual camera viewing angle



- Created a ray in the virtual space
- Ran Raycast to temporarily place the fire at the point where it hits the virtual collider
- Read from the depth data at the point where each fire was rendered
- distance between the virtual fire and the camera
  - → less than a certain value

## 2.3. Automatic Dataset Generation







- Using BoxCollider for annotation  $(x_{min}, y_{min}, z_{min}; x_{max}, y_{max}, z_{max})$
- Automatically generated annotation information for fires on images.
   (axis-aligned bounding box, AABB)

# 2.3. Automatic Dataset Generation





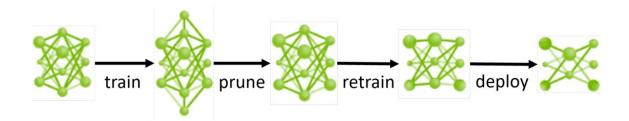


- Dataset to be utilized in the learning stage: automatically generated virtual data
  - + actual data(by FireNET)

# 2.4. Fire Detection Model



- Model learning: NVIDIA TAO Toolkit
  - Transfer Learning Toolkit(TLT)
  - resnet18(Backbone of the YOLOv4 model)



→ Edge device



bounding box display threshold: 0.6

# 2.4. AI Inference and Post-Processing

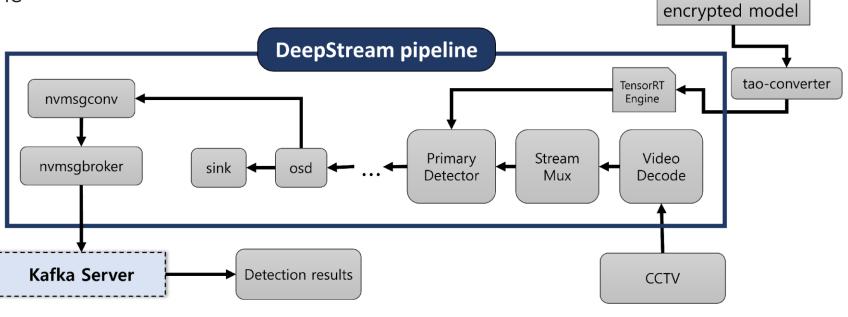


- The field-optimal model that learns virtual data is inferred using an Al device at the edge end placed at each site

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    NVIDIA Jetson Xavier NX(Device)
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- Encoded model file(by TAO) → TAO Converter → TensorRT inference model

- DeepStream: Gstreamer pipeline



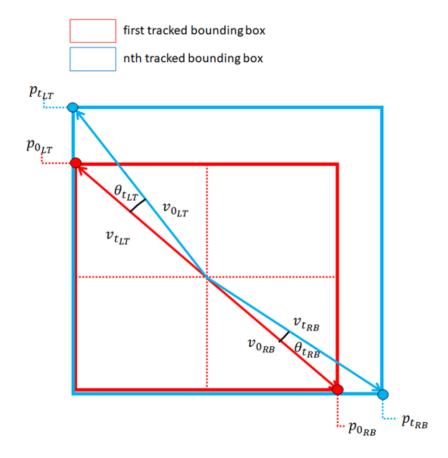
A message about the detection results sent by deepstream.

**NVIDIA TAO** 

# 2.4. AI Inference and Post-Processing



 Post-processing for both future research and the purpose of counting the number of fires, fire tracking is crucial



$$d_t = |p_{0_{RB}} - p_{0_{LT}}| - |p_{t_{RB}} - p_{t_{LT}}|; d_{cummulative} = \sqrt{\sum_{t=1}^{n} (d_0 - d_t)^2}$$

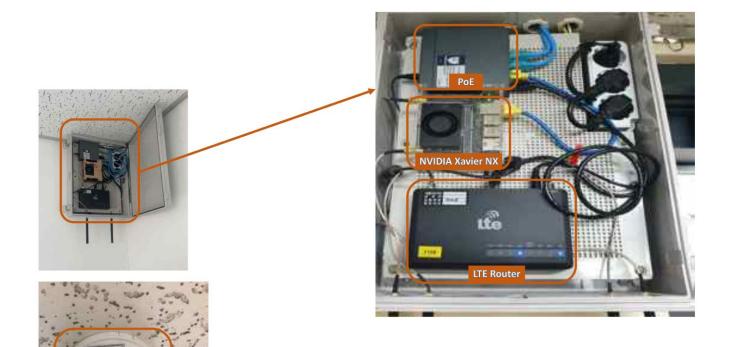
$$cos\theta_{t_{LT}} = \frac{v_{0_{LT}}^{\rightarrow} \cdot v_{t_{LT}}^{\rightarrow}}{|v_{0_{LT}}^{\rightarrow}||v_{t_{LT}}^{\rightarrow}|}; cos\theta_{t_{RB}} = \frac{v_{0_{RB}}^{\rightarrow} \cdot v_{t_{RB}}^{\rightarrow}}{|v_{0_{RB}}^{\rightarrow}||v_{t_{RB}}^{\rightarrow}|}$$

0.9-0.98 was the best threshold to verify whether it was a fire

# 3. Experimental Results



# 3.1. IoT Installation



IoT:

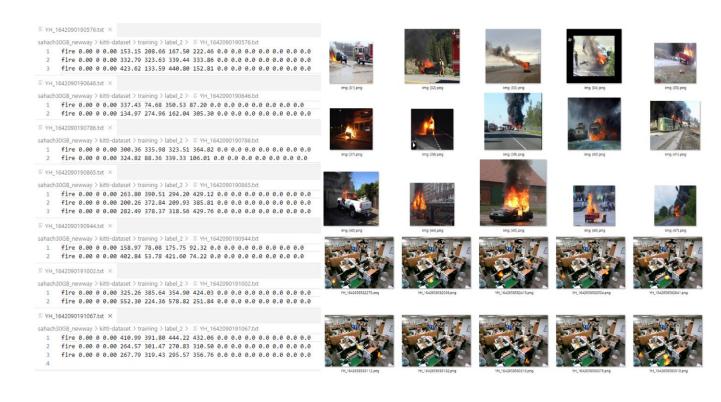
CCTV

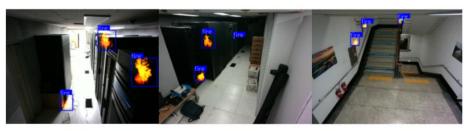
+ NVIDIA Xavier NX

+ LTE Router

+ PoE











- Recorded RGB and Depth data for 43 indoor locations
- Generated 7000 virtual flame particle data points and 7000 virtual smoke particle data points for each location
- Total of approximately 600,000 virtual fire data points

Number of training images for a single specific environment.

Data	Virtual Data	Real-World Data	Total
Training data	4375	412	4787
Testing data	625	90	715
Total	5000	502	5502





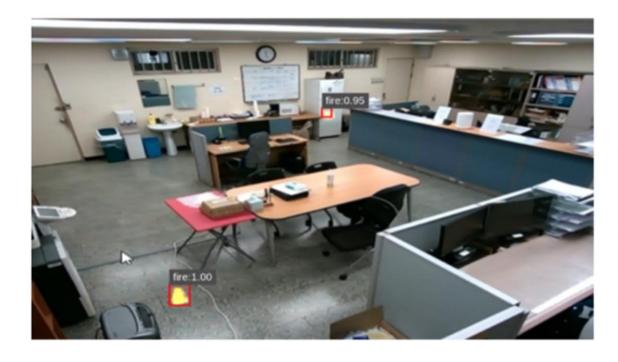
- NVIDIA DGX A100

Model	Unpruned Model Parameters	AP	Pruned Model Parameters	АР	Retrain/Model
DetectNetV2	11,200,458	0.93515	9,561,530	0.96316	0.85367
FasterRCNN	12,751,352	0.9528	10,434,616	0.9506	0.81831
YOLOv4	34,829,183	0.90909	3,659,191	0.9091	0.10506
EfficientDet	3,876,308	0.426	2,130,676	0.426	0.54966
DINO	-	0.83	-	-	-
D-DERT	-	0.71433	-	-	-

Object Detection model:DetectNet\_v2, FastRCNN, YOLOv4, EfficientDet, DINO



- Used fire particles to generate virtual data to infer new data not used for learning



Inferring new fire footage from fires used to generate data for training

- confidence: 0.95, no false detection



Detection of fire shapes that have never been used in training

- a few misdetection results



- Differences in inference performance between the models.



(a)YOLOv4 (b)DetectNetV2



(a) (b)



Backbone	Model Parameters	mAP	Retrain Model Parameters	mAP	Retrain/Model
resnet18	11,200,458	0.90798	3,659,191	0.9088	0.10506
resnet50	85,346,559	0.90798	22,902,807	0.90792	0.26835
resnet101	122,286,335	0.90673	3,000,711	0.90365	0.02453
cspdarknet19	53,444,895	0.9062	38,253,879	0.90847	0.71576

- Evaluation of the detection model according to the backbone of the YOLOv4 model.
- After pruning before relearning, Resnet101, which had the largest number of layers, showed fewer parameters than the other backbones







- In the case of resnet18, it was confirmed that the initial state of fire was detected well, and the error detection was very low.



- Inference for very small fires with the YOLOv4+resnet18 model.

# 3.4. Post-Processing



- False detection by simple colors sometimes occurred
- → post-processing process was added to inspect the physical properties of the fire's time series
- nvTracker: tracks each fire object for the inference of the model, calculates the variation in the size or shape of the detection bounding boxes of previous frames for tracked fires







### 4. Conclusions



- In this study, we propose a model that automatically generates digital-twin-based field-optimal learning data for the early detection of fires.

- Limitations
- 1. Detailed descriptions such as reflections of fire or background elements burning and turning into ash were not addressed
- 2. Since the background of the training images is constructed from recorded video data
- 3. Moving camera is also in our plan for future work
- 4. This proposed method is trained and tested on NvidiaTAO, which has a lack of supporting models
  - → YOLOv8
- Ultimately, this undertaking not only adds value to the realm of research, but also plays a pivotal role in advancing the creation of a sophisticated digital twin dedicated to fire evacuation.