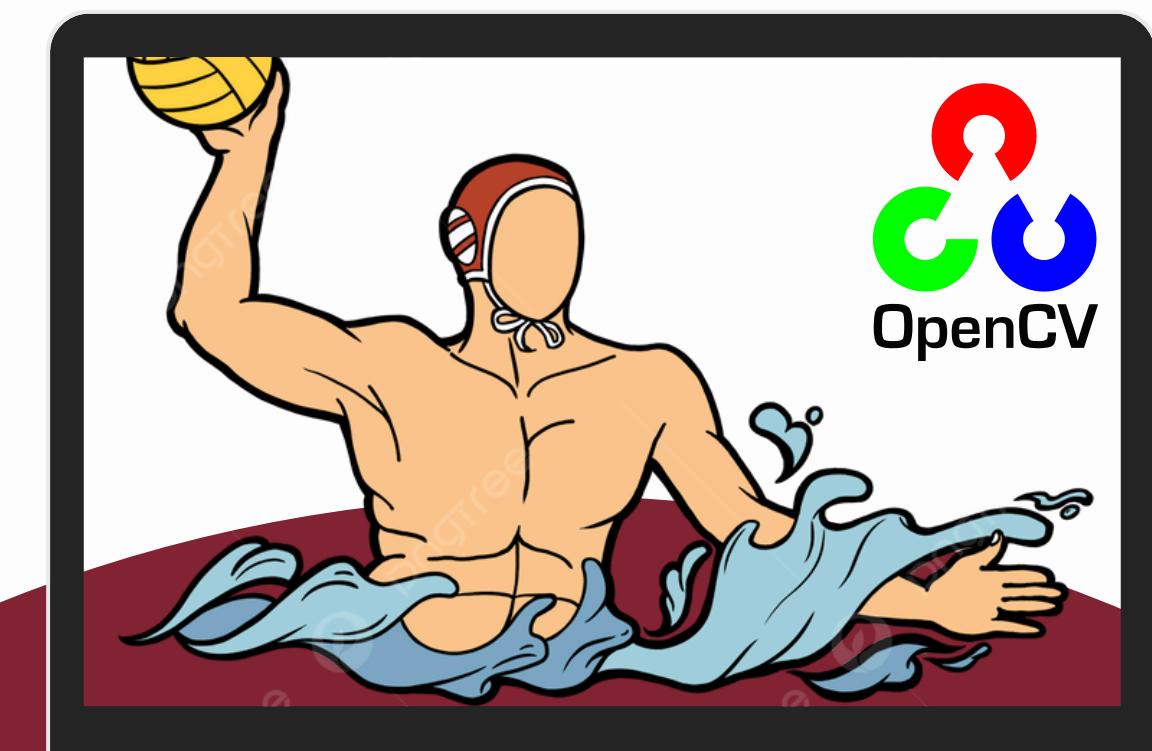




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# Water Polo Scoresheet Reader and Data Organizer Using Optical Character Recognition (OCR)

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COLLEGIATE WATER POLO ASSOCIATION  
DARK TEAM Mercyhurst  
LOCATION Bu

CAP	NAME	STATS	SAVES/GOALS BY QUARTER			
			1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>
1A						
1	sworden					
2						
3	Clinch			1		1
4	Borella					
5	Iaquinto					
6	Arciniega					1
7	Appell		1			11
8						
9	Blackman			1		
10	Marques			1		11
11	Maldonado					
12	Watson			1		
13	Insalaco			1		1
14						
15	Glass					
16						
17						
18	Wolterink					
19	Romano					
20						
21	Lau					

E/MAM - EXCL. MINOR ACT MISCONDUCT	P/MAM - PENALTY MINOR ACT MISCONDUCT	G - GOAL	G-E - ADVANTAGE GOAL	E															
TIME	CAP#	TEAM	REMARKS	D-W	TIME	CAP#	TEAM	REMARKS	D-W	TIME	CAP#	TEAM	REMARKS	D-W	TIME	CAP#	TEAM	REMARKS	D-W
5:03	12	W	E		6:38	10	D	E		5:57	6	W			5:13	3	W		
3:51	12	D	E		5:18	9	D	G	4-2	3:43	12	W	G	4-3	3:54	14	V		
3:48	8	W	G	0-1	3:27	7	D	G	1-1	3:30	3	W	E		3:10	11	W		
3:27	7	D	G	1-1	2:46	3	D	G	2-1	3:08	10	D	G	5-3	3:04				
2:46	3	D	G	2-1	2:04	3	W	E		2:11		W	T0		2:48	6	W		
2:04	3	W	E		1:27	7	D	E		1:28	4	D	E		2:27	12	D		
1:27	7	D	E		1:27		W	30TO		1:15	9	W	G	5-4	1:59	6	W		
1:09	3	W	G	2-2	1:09	3	W	G	2-2	1:40	7	D	E		1:59				
:18	4	D	E		:18	4	D	E		7:40	7	D	E		1:35	8	V		
										7:20	8	W	G	5-5	1:27	6	W		
										7:05	3	W	E		:46	4	D		
										6:49	13	D	G	3-2	:44	14	W		
										6:17	12	W	E						

# Introduction



## Tracking Statistics

During a water polo game, a group of people (table):

- start + stop the clock
- update the scoreboard with scores and penalties
- keep an official scoresheet

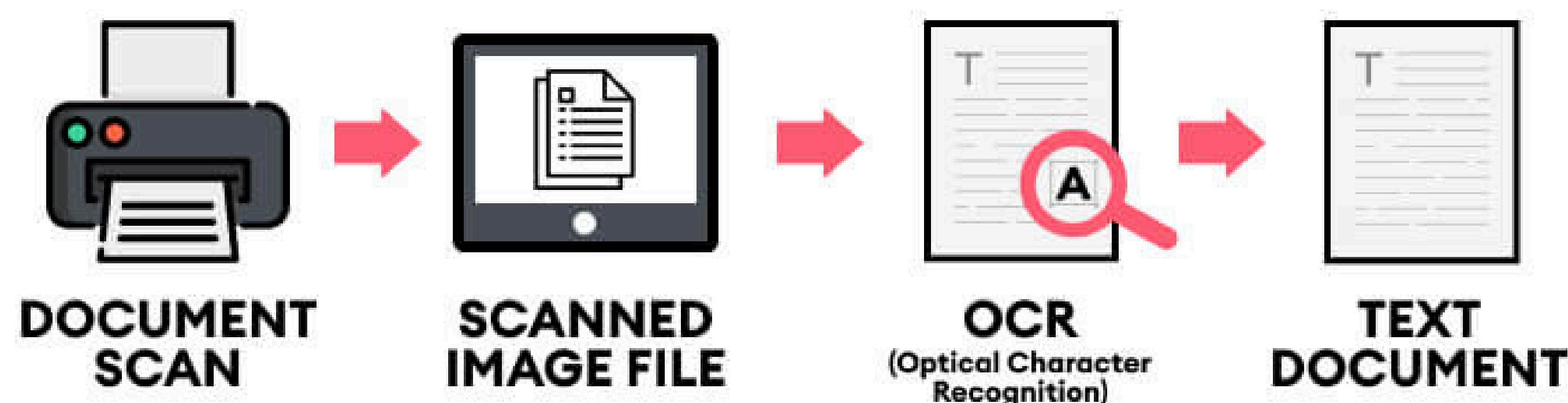
DARK TEAM		Mercyhurst		LOCATION		Bucknell		WHITE TEAM		George Washington		DATE							
CAP	NAME	STATS		1Q	2Q	3Q	OT	TOTAL	P FOULS	CAP	NAME	STATS	1Q	2Q	3Q	OT	TOTAL	P FOULS	
1A	Sorden									1A	Sinkula								
2										2	Vilander								
3	Girch	I	I							3	Sakkaris	I					E/1	E/2	E/3
4	Borrelli									4	Maczuszki								
5	Laguino									5	Reillyea								
6	A/C Intega									6	Prych						P/3	E/2	E/4
7	Appell	I	I							7	Colena						E/6		
8										8	Dvorak	I	I	II					
9	Blehm									9	Brodsky		I	I	I		E/3	E/4	
10	Maniques	I	I							10	Goodill								
11	Maldonado									11	Santoli								
12	Watton									12	Hollehan		I	I	I		E/1	E/2	E/3
13	Ensalaco	I	I							13									
14										14	Coek						E/4		
15	Gloss									15	Raij								
16										16									
17										17									
18	Walterink									18									
19	Romanzo									19									
20										20									
21	Lau									21									

# Related Works

Optical Character Recognition (OCR) is the process that converts an image of text into a machine-readable text format.

Tesseract is an open-source OCR engine that was developed at HP between 1984 and 1994. [1]

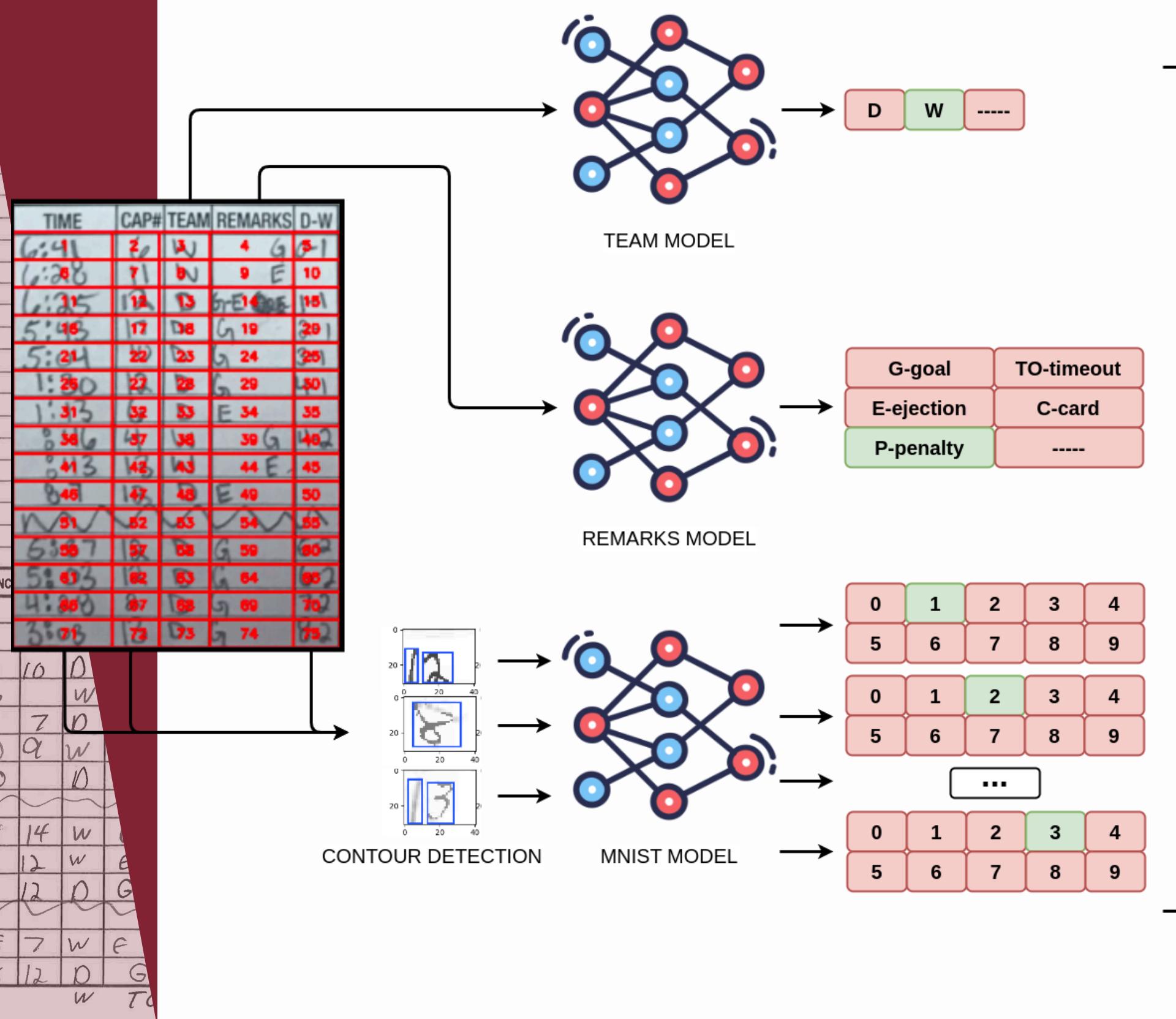
The Tesseract classifier was trained on 20 samples of 94 characters from 8 fonts with 4 attributes (normal, bold, italic, bold italic), making a total of 60160 training samples. --> no handwritten training data



[1] R. Smith, "An Overview of the Tesseract OCR Engine," Ninth International Conference on Document Analysis and Recognition (ICDAR 2007), Curitiba, Brazil, 2007, pp. 629-633, doi: 10.1109/ICDAR.2007.4376991.

# Proposed Method

SOCIATION	
OR WHITE COP	
TOTAL	P. FOULS
1A	Sinkula
1	Vilander
2	Bakos
3	Johnson
4	Marczewski
5	Belliveau
6	Pynch
7	Colona
8	McGeoy
9	Bywater
10	Goodell
11	Sandri
12	Hallahan
13	
14	Cox
15	Ball
16	
17	
18	
19	
20	
21	
XCLUSION	P - PENALTY
MD - MISCONDUCT	DISRESPECT
MV - MISCONDUCT	VIOLENCE
G	6-5
G	7-5
G	7-6
E	
TO	
G	7-7
G	8-7
P	
30 TO	
G	8-8
E	
E	
G	8-9
1:19 W TO	



ROW	TIME	CAP	TEAM	REMARKS	SCORE
1	270	12	D	E-ejection	-----
2	2	11	W	E-ejection	-----
3	458	-----	W	TO-timeout	-----
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6	21	9	W	G-goal	42
7	558	3	D	E-ejection	-----
8	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
9	21	4	W	E-ejection	-----
10	85	9	W	G-goal	03
11	83	8	W	G-goal	04
12	43	-----	D	TO-timeout	-----
13	13521	6	W	E-ejection	-----
14	122	-----	W	30TO-30secondtimeout	-----
15	122	4	W	G-goal	-----
16	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
17	244	4	W	G-goal	06
18	78	5	W	E-ejection	-----
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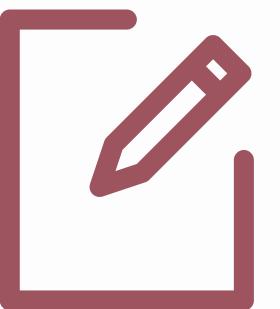
# Dataset and Metrics



## Scoresheets

37 scoresheets  
34 train/test/validation  
3 not in dataset

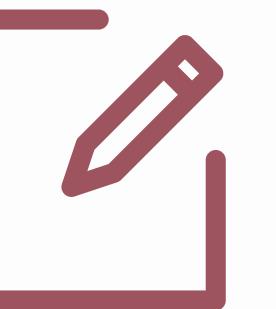
metric: accuracy of correctly  
classified cells in 3 scoresheets  
not in the dataset



## Team

Train Size: 1200  
Test Size: 400  
Validation Size: 400

Classes: [ D , W , empty ]  
Shape: 28x28 grayscale



## Remarks

Train Size: 1200  
Test Size: 400  
Validation Size: 400

Classes: [ G , E , P , TO , C, empty]  
Shape: 73x28 grayscale



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## MNIST

Train Size: 50000  
Test Size: 10000  
Validation Size: 10000

Classes: [ 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 ]  
Shape: 28x28 binary



# Implementation Details

- 01**  
**data\_collection.ipynb**  
convert scoresheet from PDF/JPG --> PNG  
select game log corner points with GUI and save to txt file  
de-skew game log and save every TEAM + REMARKS cell  
export TEAM + REMARKS cells to Roboflow for training
- 02**  
**Roboflow**  
import TEAM + REMARKS images into 2 different projects  
classify 2000+ images for each dataset, removing bad data  
remove images in data-heavy classes (i.e. empty cells)  
stretch to desired size, make grayscale, get download link
- 03**  
**train\_classifier.ipynb**  
load TEAM / REMARKS (Roboflow) or MNIST (PyTorch Datasets)  
80% train / 10% test / 10% validation split  
convert to dataloaders with batch size 32  
train Simple CNN or TinyVGG then evaluate training results
- 04**  
**wpolo\_scoresheet\_ocr.ipynb**  
choose a scoresheet, de-skew game log, separate every cell  
cycle through rows and send cell through correct classifier  
if MNIST cell, use contour detection to separate numbers  
display the output predictions in a table

02 Roboflow

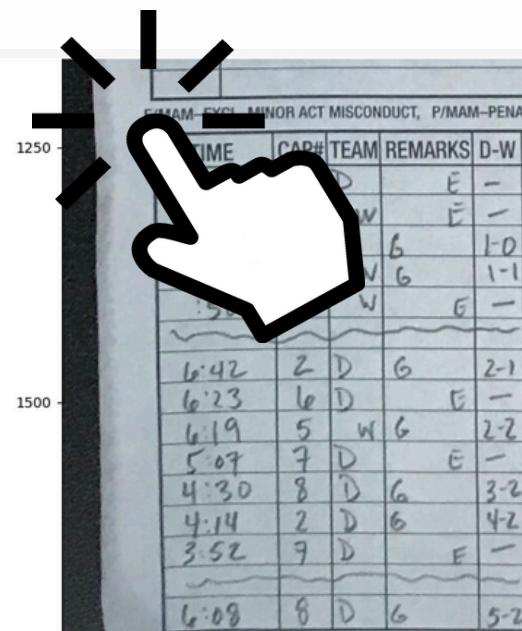
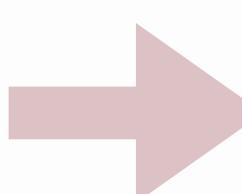
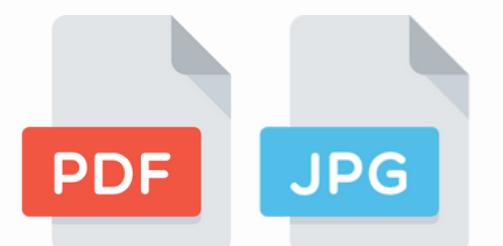
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04 wpolo\_scoresheet\_ocr.ipynb

01

### **data\_collection.ipynb**

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select game log corner points with GUI and save to txt file  
de-skew game log and save every TEAM + REMARKS cell  
export TEAM + REMARKS cells to Roboflow for training



**select corner points  
with GUI**



TIME	CAP#	TEAM	REMARKS	D-W
6:41	2	E	4 G	5-1
6:28	71	B	9 E	10
6:25	12	13	6-E 14	15
5:46	17	18	6 19	20
5:24	22	25	6 24	25
1:20	27	28	6 29	50
1:31	32	33	E 34	35
38	37	38	39 G	40
41	42	43	44 E	45
46	47	48	E 49	50
51	52	53	54	55
56	57	58	59	60
51:03	62	63	64	65
4:46	67	68	69	70
3:13	72	73	74	75

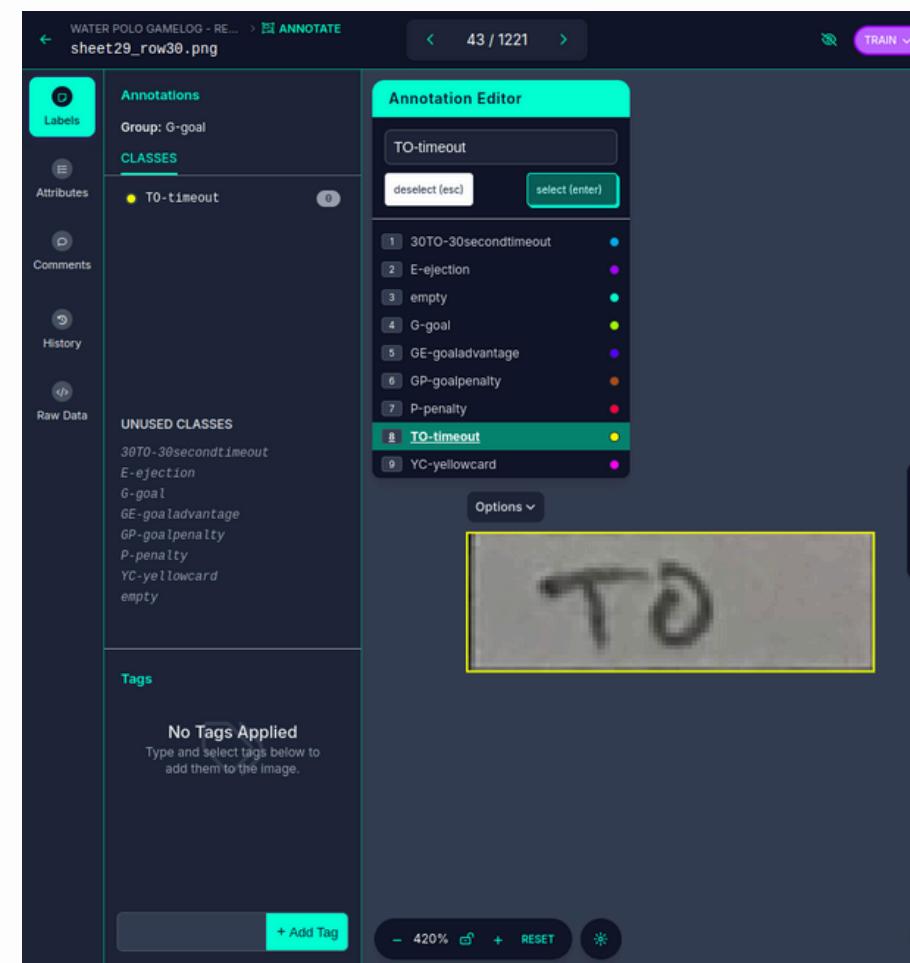
**straightened game log with  
every cell separated and  
numbered**

**01** `data_collection.ipynb`

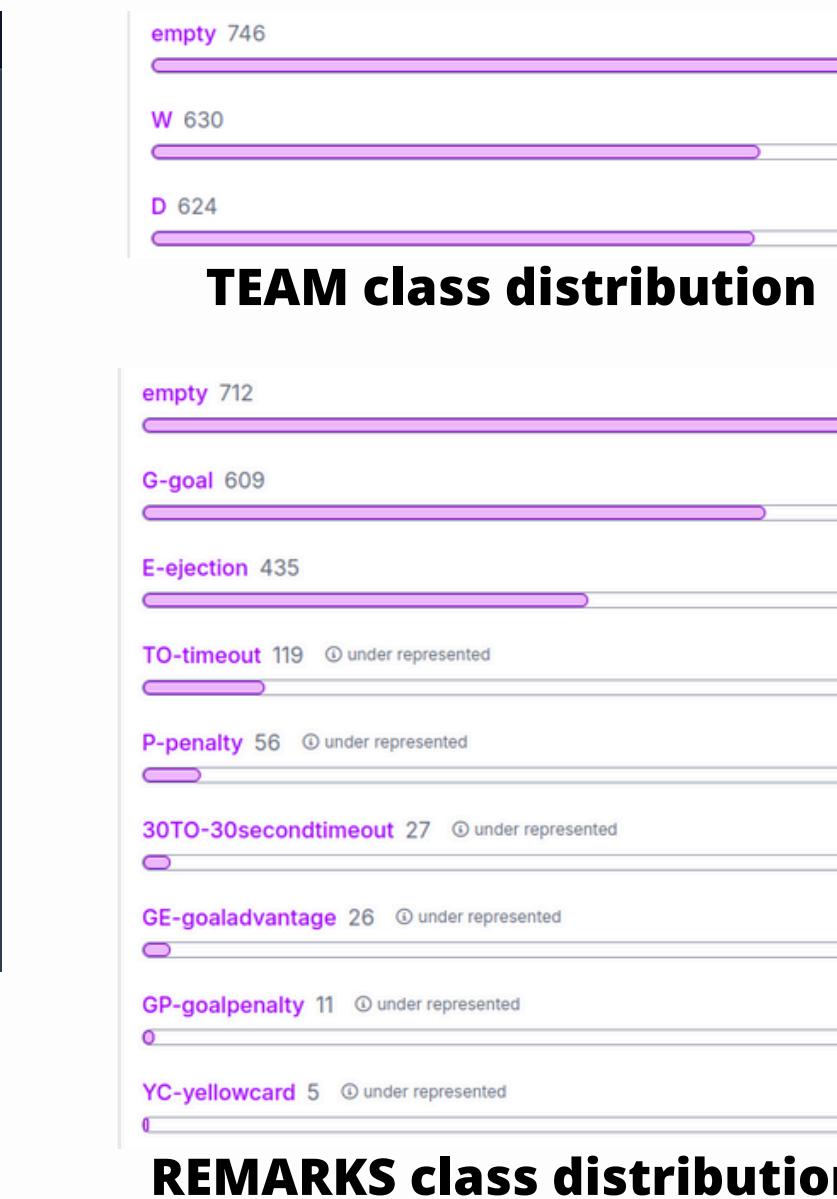
**02**

### Roboflow

import TEAM + REMARKS images into 2 different projects  
classify 2000+ images for each dataset, removing bad data  
remove images in data-heavy classes (i.e. empty cells)  
stretch to desired size, make grayscale, get download link



**Roboflow labeling interface**



The image shows the preprocessing steps for the REMARKS dataset. It includes options for 'Auto-Orient', 'Resize (Stretch to 73x28)', 'Grayscale', and 'Modify Classes' (which notes 4 remapped and 0 dropped classes). There is also a button to 'Add Preprocessing Step'.

**preprocessing choices for  
REMARKS dataset**

**03** `train_classifier.ipynb`

**04** `wpolo_scoresheet_ocr.ipynb`

**01** `data_collection.ipynb`

**02** `Roboflow`

**03**

### `train_classifier.ipynb`

load TEAM / REMARKS (Roboflow) or MNIST (PyTorch Datasets)

80% train / 10% test / 10% validation split

convert to dataloaders with batch size 32

train Simple CNN or TinyVGG then evaluate training results

```
=====
Layer (type:depth-idx)          Output Shape       Param #
=====
TeamModel
├─Conv2d: 1-1                  [1, 10]           --
├─MaxPool2d: 1-2                [1, 3, 28, 73]    30
├─Conv2d: 1-3                  [1, 3, 14, 36]    --
├─MaxPool2d: 1-4                [1, 16, 10, 32]   1,216
├─Linear: 1-5                  [1, 120]          153,720
├─Linear: 1-6                  [1, 84]           10,164
└─Linear: 1-7                  [1, 10]           850
=====
Total params: 165,980
Trainable params: 165,980
Non-trainable params: 0
Total mult-adds (M): 0.62
=====
Input size (MB): 0.01
Forward/backward pass size (MB): 0.09
Params size (MB): 0.66
Estimated Total Size (MB): 0.76
=====
```

### Simple CNN Model

```
=====
Layer (type:depth-idx)          Output Shape       Param #
=====
TinyVGG
├─Sequential: 1-1
│  ├─Conv2d: 2-1              [1, 10, 14, 14]   --
│  ├─ReLU: 2-2                 [1, 10, 28, 28]   100
│  ├─Conv2d: 2-3              [1, 10, 28, 28]   --
│  ├─ReLU: 2-4                 [1, 10, 28, 28]   --
│  └─MaxPool2d: 2-5           [1, 10, 14, 14]   --
├─Sequential: 1-2
│  ├─Conv2d: 2-6              [1, 10, 7, 7]     --
│  ├─ReLU: 2-7                 [1, 10, 14, 14]   910
│  ├─Conv2d: 2-8              [1, 10, 14, 14]   --
│  ├─ReLU: 2-9                 [1, 10, 14, 14]   --
│  └─MaxPool2d: 2-10          [1, 10, 7, 7]     --
├─Sequential: 1-3
│  ├─Flatten: 2-11            [1, 490]          --
│  └─Linear: 2-12              [1, 3]            1,473
=====
Total params: 4,303
Trainable params: 4,303
Non-trainable params: 0
Total mult-adds (M): 1.15
=====
Input size (MB): 0.00
Forward/backward pass size (MB): 0.16
Params size (MB): 0.02
Estimated Total Size (MB): 0.18
=====
```

### TinyVGG Model

**04** `wpolo_scoresheet_ocr.ipynb`

- 01 [data\\_collection.ipynb](#)
- 02 [Roboflow](#)
- 03 [train\\_classifier.ipynb](#)

**04**

### wpolo\_scoresheet\_ocr.ipynb

choose a scoresheet, de-skew game log, separate every cell  
cycle through rows and send cell through correct classifier  
if MNIST cell, use contour detection to separate numbers  
display the output predictions in a table

**grayscale**

**binary (threshold=230)**

**dilate (iterations=2)**

**dilate (top+bottom only)**

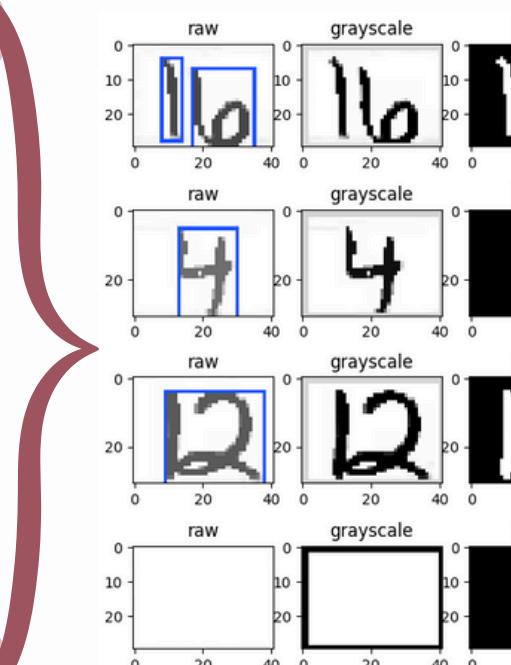
**erode**

**find contours**

**resize numbers**

**pad numbers**

**process to prepare the digits in a TIME, CAP, or SCORE column to be classified by MNIST**

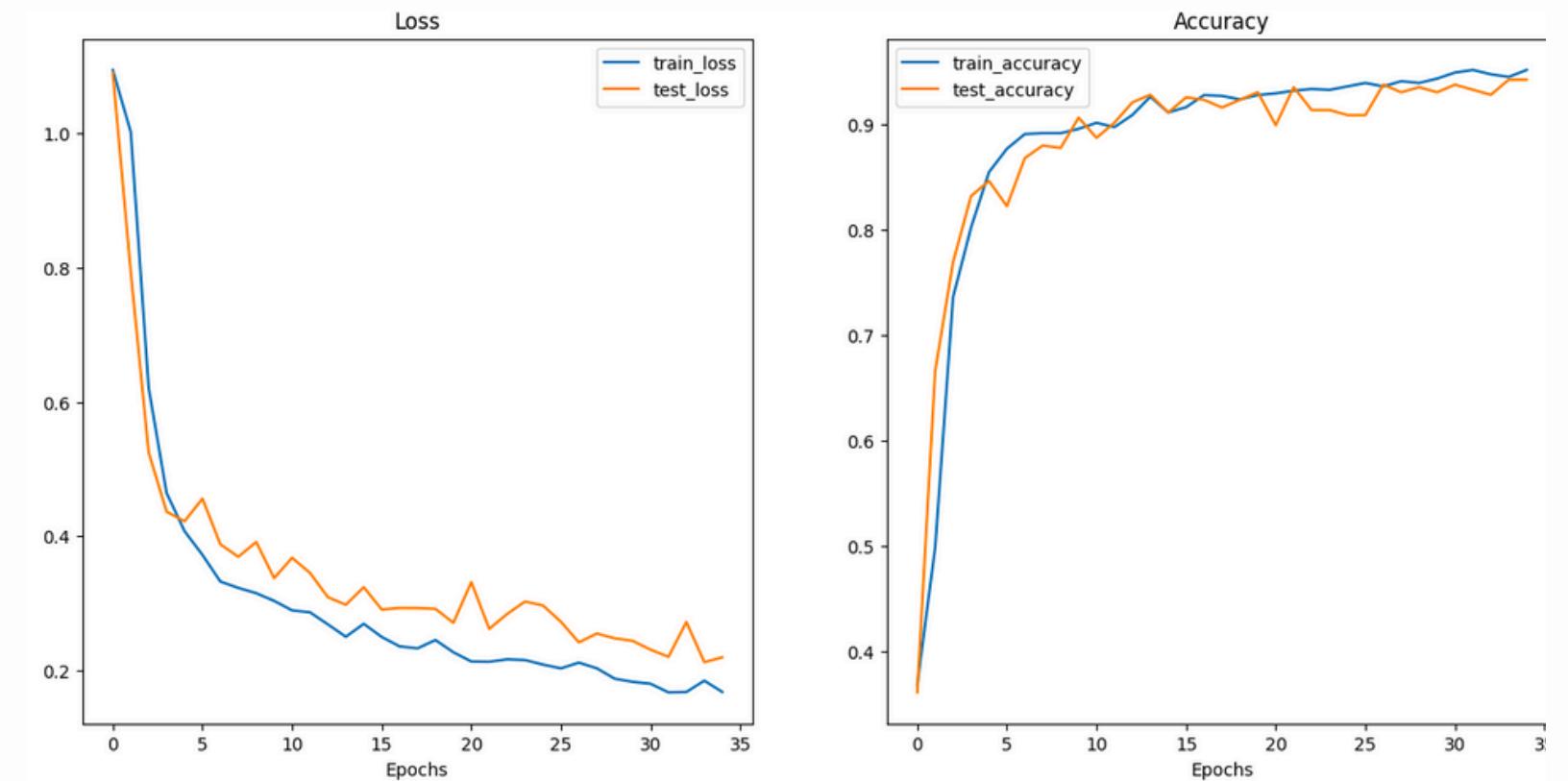


ROW	TIME	CAP	TEAM	REMARKS	SCORE
1	270	12	D	E-ejection	-----
2	2	11	W	E-ejection	-----
3	458	-----	W	T0-timeout	-----
4	9	2	W	G-goal	51
5	218	-----	D	T0-timeout	-----
6	21	9	W	G-goal	42
7	558	3	D	E-ejection	-----
8	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
9	21	4	W	E-ejection	-----
10	85	9	W	G-goal	03
11	83	8	W	G-goal	04
12	43	-----	D	T0-timeout	-----
13	13521	6	W	E-ejection	-----
14	122	-----	W	30T0-30secondtimeout	-----
15	122	4	W	G-goal	-----
16	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
17	244	4	W	G-goal	06
18	78	5	W	E-ejection	-----

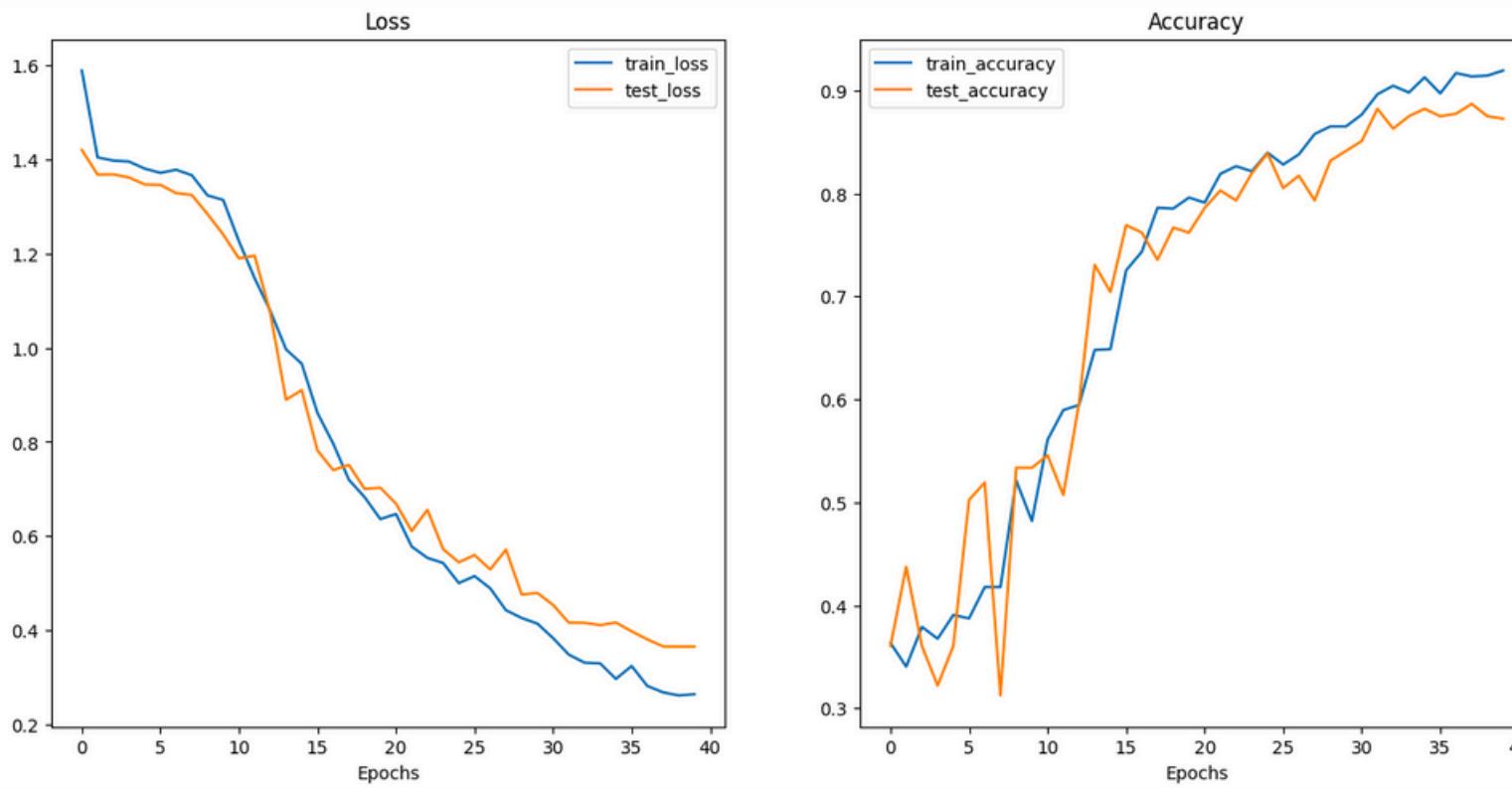
**output from the wpolo\_scoresheet\_ocr Python notebook**

# Experimental Results

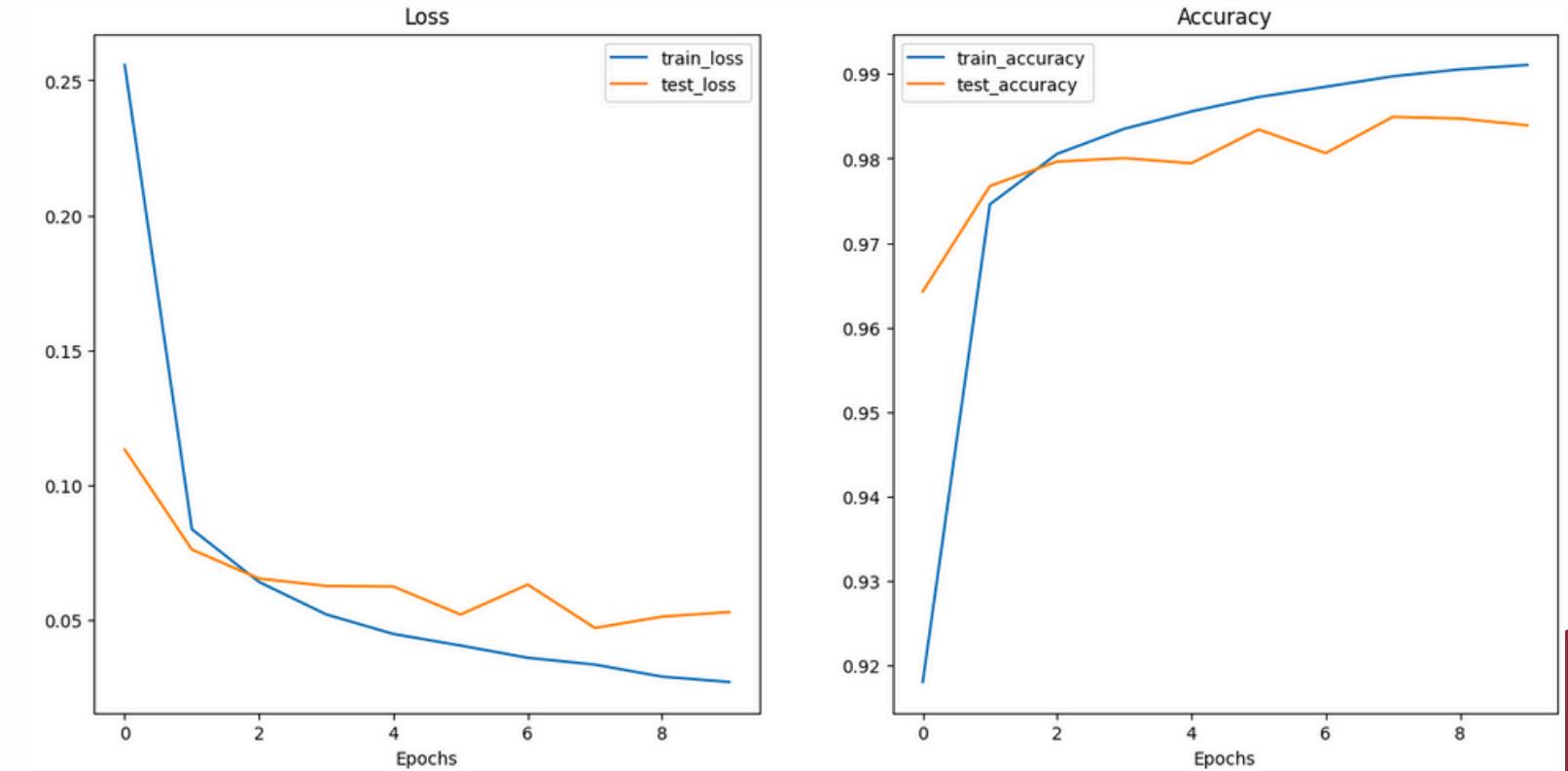
the model and the number of epochs were chosen for each dataset based on the validation accuracy and the loss/accuracy curves, paying attention to avoid overfitting



**TEAM: TinyVGG with 35 epochs**  
**validation accuracy = 93.75%**



**REMARKS: Simple CNN with 40 epochs**  
**validation accuracy = 86.25%**



**MNIST: TinyVGG with 10 epochs**  
**validation accuracy = 98.70%**

# Experimental Results

scoresheet rows =  $40 + 45 + 35 = 120$   
 total cells =  $120 * 5 = 600$

**23%**

TIME accuracy

correct:  $11 + 11 + 6$

**93%**

TEAM accuracy

correct:  $36 + 43 + 33$

**58%**

SCORE accuracy

correct:  $21 + 27 + 22$

**49%**

CAP accuracy

correct:  $22 + 22 + 15$

**88%**

REMARKS accuracy

correct:  $30 + 44 + 31$

**62%**

TOTAL accuracy

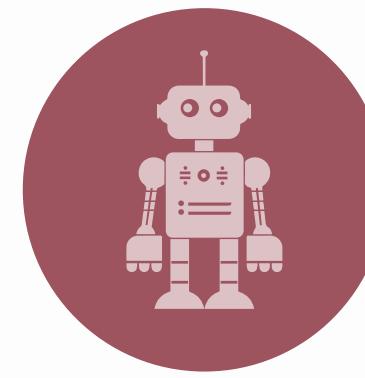
correct:  $120 + 147 + 107$

ROW	TIME	CAP	TEAM	REMARKS	SCORE
1	198	1	W	E-ejection	1 ✗
2	8	11	W	E-ejection	-----
3	123	12	D	G-goal	11
4	54	17	D	G-goal	21
5	55	0	D	G-goal	31
6	132	12	D	G-goal	41
7	113	6	D	E-ejection	-----
8	44	4	W	G-goal	42
9	29	13	W	E-ejection	-----
10	27	12	D	G-goal	43
11	0	2	-----	G-goal	0 ✗
12	58	2	D	G-goal	62 ✗
13	26	12	D	G-goal	0 ✗
14	24	8	D	G-goal	07 ✗
15	83	1	-----	G-goal	82
16	0	4	D	G-goal	52 ✗
17	12	11	W	E-ejection	-----
18	126	12	W	G-goal	02 ✗
19	2	9	W	E-ejection	23 ✗
20	1	6	D	-----	2 ✗
21	459	11	W	G-goal	24 ✗
22	544	12	D	G-goal	84 ✗
23	58	8	D	E-ejection	-----
24	2	11	W	G-goal	115
25	24	6	D	G-goal	05 ✗
26	24	10	W	P-penalty	-----
27	2	12	D	E-ejection	5 ✗
28	11	8	D	G-goal	45 ✗
29	08	2	D	G-goal	-----
30	86	-----	W	P-penalty	-----
31	02	2	W	E-ejection	-----
32	1	10	W	E-ejection	-----
33	19	3	D	G-goal	55 ✗
34	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
35	609	1	W	E-ejection	-----
36	609	5	D	G-goal	65 ✗
37	543	12	W	TO-timeout	-----
38	405	21	D	G-goal	175
39	211	2	W	G-goal	76 ✗
40	2	6	W	-----	4 ✗

ROW	TIME	CAP	TEAM	REMARKS	SCORE
1	-	-	D	E-ejection	-----
2	7	0	W	G-goal	21 ✗
3	-	-	D	G-goal	-----
4	-	-	D	G-goal	1 ✗
5	-	-	W	G-goal	22
6	-	-	D	G-goal	2 ✗
7	-	-	-	E-ejection	-----
8	-	-	D	G-goal	42
9	-	-	D	E-ejection	-----
10	-	-	D	G-goal	2 ✗
11	-	2	W	E-ejection	-----
12	1	16	D	G-goal	62
13	-	-	D	E-ejection	-----
14	-	6	W	G-goal	63
15	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
16	0	16	D	G-goal	32 ✗
17	240	14	D	G-goal	83
18	-	2	D	G-goal	93
19	5	8	D	G-goal	10 ✗
20	-	2	D	E-ejection	-----
21	8	4	W	G-goal	18 ✗
22	12	10	D	G-goal	4 ✗
23	11	10	D	E-ejection	-----
24	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
25	02	14	D	G-goal	52 ✗
26	94	10	W	E-ejection	-----
27	85	6	D	G-goal	134
28	46	5	D	G-goal	84 ✗
29	340	13	-	E-ejection	-----
30	38	5	-----	G-goal	154
31	28	1	D	E-ejection	-----
32	226	3	D	G-goal	64 ✗
33	200	2	D	G-goal	14 ✗
34	112	2	D	E-ejection	-----
35	43	8	D	E-ejection	-----
36	20	15	D	G-goal	184
37	2	4	W	G-goal	-----
38	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
39	45	13	W	E-ejection	-----
40	120	16	D	G-goal	11 ✗
41	81	11	D	E-ejection	-----
42	436	3	D	G-goal	24 ✗
43	90	4	D	G-goal	44 ✗
44	301	5	D	G-goal	28 ✗
45	46	0	D	E-ejection	4 ✗

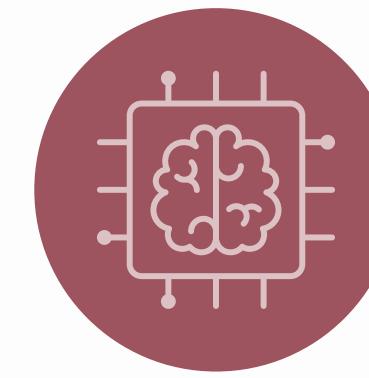
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2	3	5	W	E-ejection	-----
3	2	3	W	G-goal	-
4	0	-	W	E-ejection	-----
5	05	20	D	G-goal	2 ✗
6	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
7	2	-	D	E-ejection	-----
8	10	5	W	G-goal	13
9	3	-	W	E-ejection	-----
10	25	01	D	G-goal	23
11	23	6	D	E-ejection	-----
12	06	2	W	G-goal	24
13	04	10	W	E-ejection	-----
14	72	4	D	G-goal	34
15	57	4	D	G-goal	44
16	4	1	D	G-goal	4 ✗
17	-	0	W	TO-timeout	-----
18	-----	-----	-----	G-goal	-----
19	12	18	D	E-ejection	-----
20	46	-	W	E-ejection	-----
21	-	4	D	G-goal	64
22	0	7	W	G-goal	60 ✗
23	74	2	D	G-goal	3 ✗
24	74	8	D	G-goal	05 ✗
25	20	8	W	G-goal	86
26	01	0	D	G-goal	86 ✗
27	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
28	01	5	W	G-goal	13 ✗
29	22	2	D	G-goal	18 ✗
30	416	11	D	G-goal	15 ✗
31	-	5	-	E-ejection	18 ✗
32	39	13	-	E-ejection	-----
33	23	-	D	--	08 ✗
34	-	18	W	G-goal	29 ✗
35	23	11	D	E-ejection	-----

# Conclusion and Future Work



## Game Log Corner Pts

- automatically detect corner pts
- ability to work on more scoresheet formats



## Increase Accuracy

- test more deep learning models
- use logic in the model (match SCORE w/ goal)
- research better methods for contour detection



## More Balanced Data

- collect more samples (MNIST was clearly the most accurate and it had the most samples)
- balance training classes (less empty cells, more penalties)



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# THANK YOU!

## Github and Dataset Links

-  <https://github.com/cjkreienkamp/wpolo-scoresheet-ocr>
-  <https://app.roboflow.com/chris-kreienkamp/water-polo-gamelog-team/3>
-  <https://app.roboflow.com/chris-kreienkamp/water-polo-gamelog-remarks/2>
-  <https://pytorch.org/vision/main/generated/torchvision.datasets.MNIST.html>

