

Bachelor Thesis

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Touchless Drone Navigation via Hand Gestures

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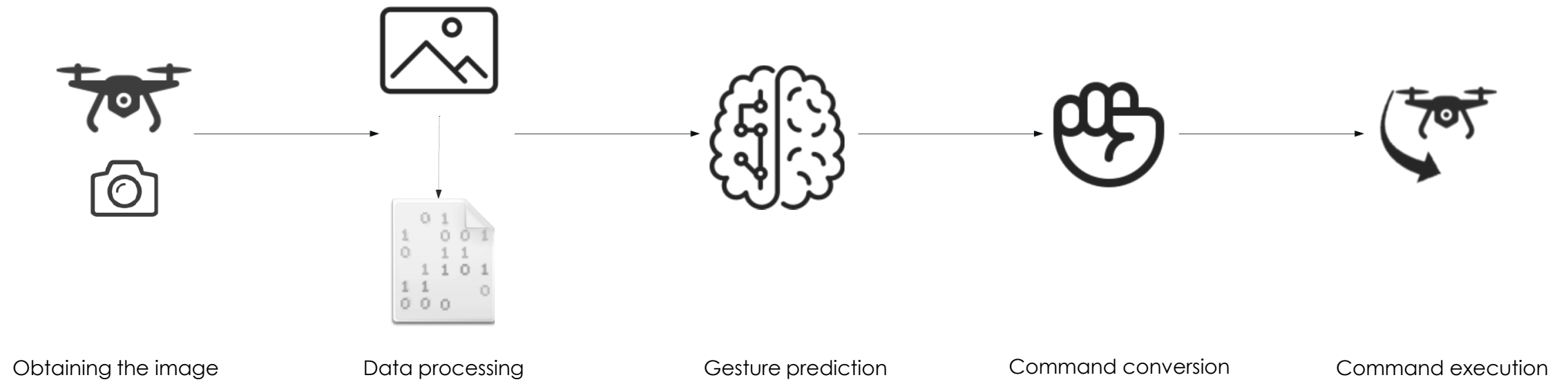
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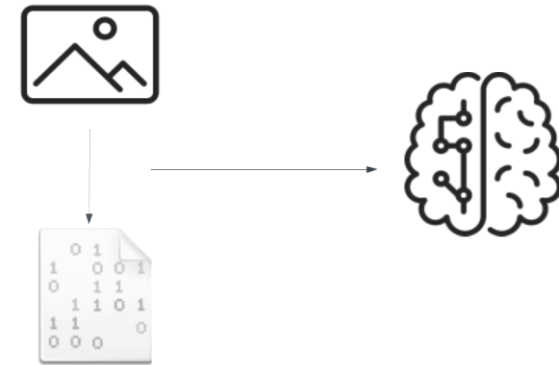
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Our Goals



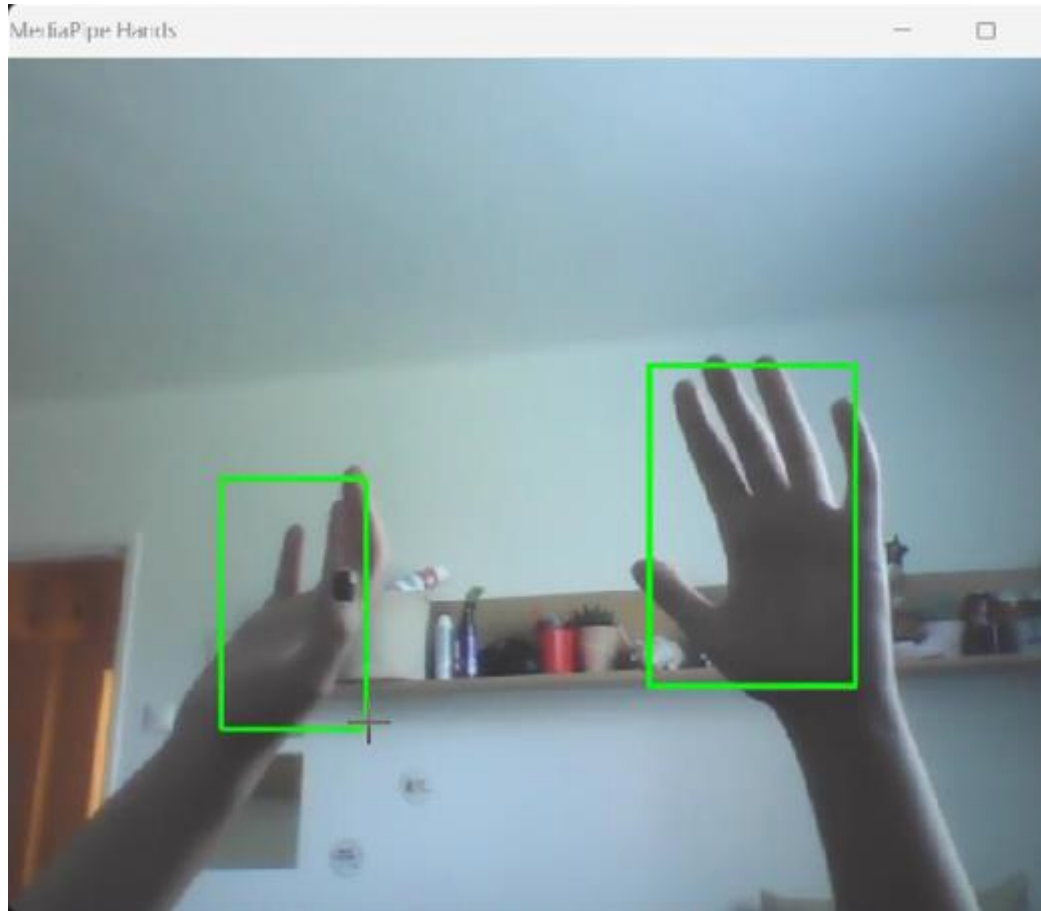
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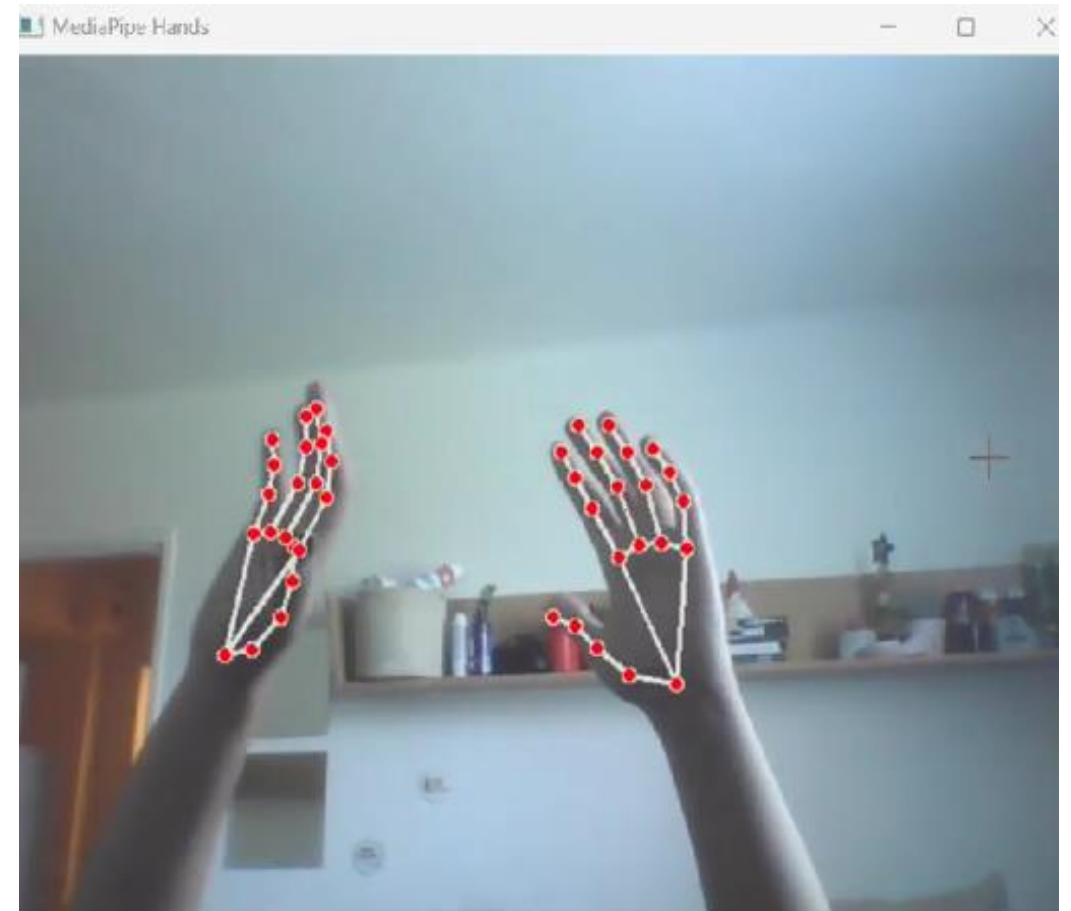
Obtaining the image

Data processing

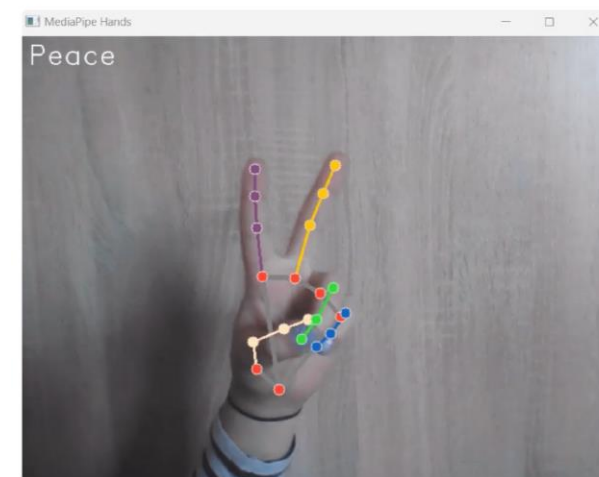
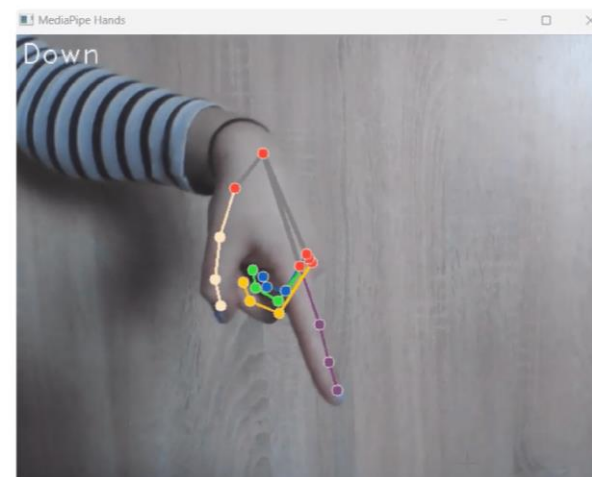
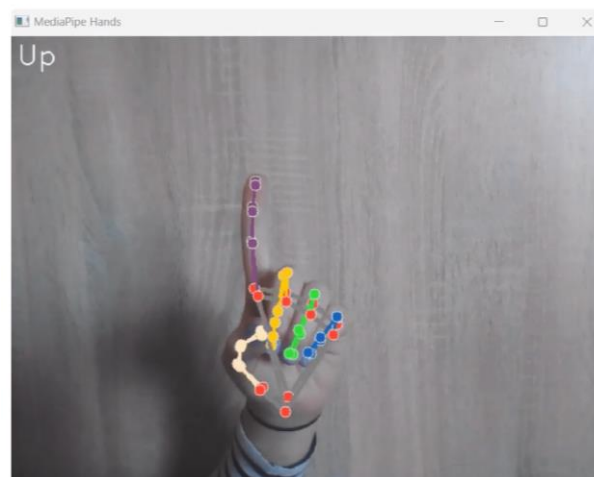
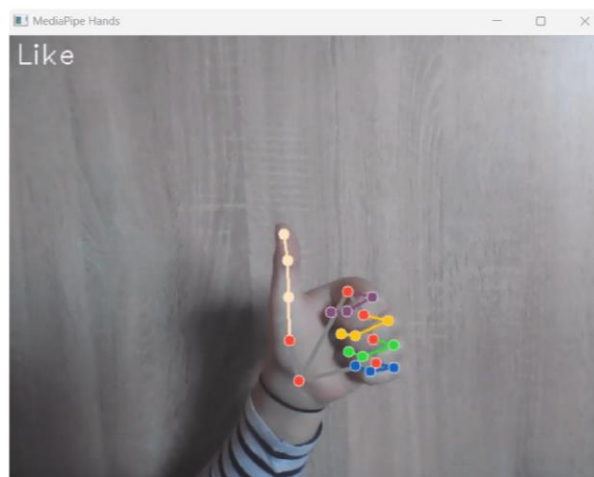
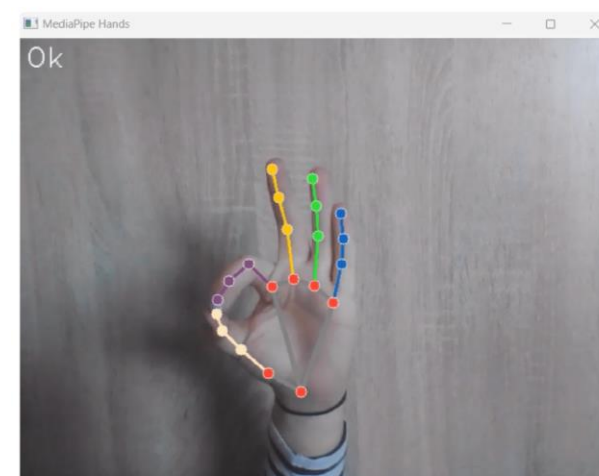
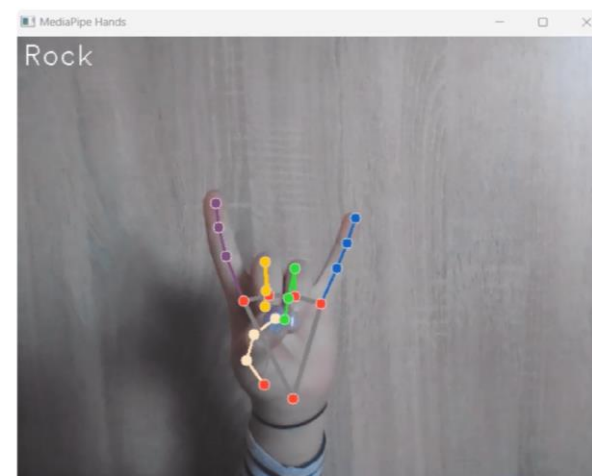
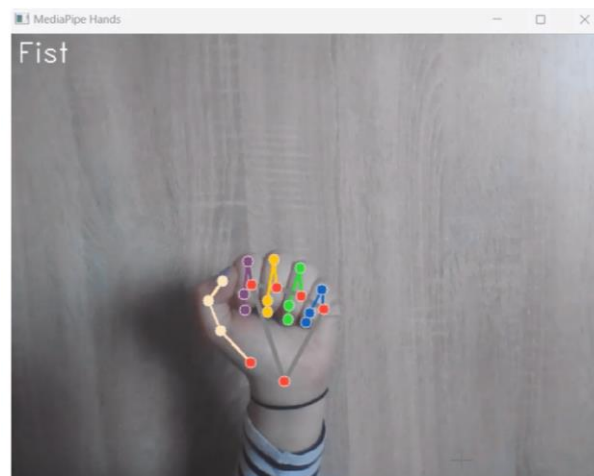
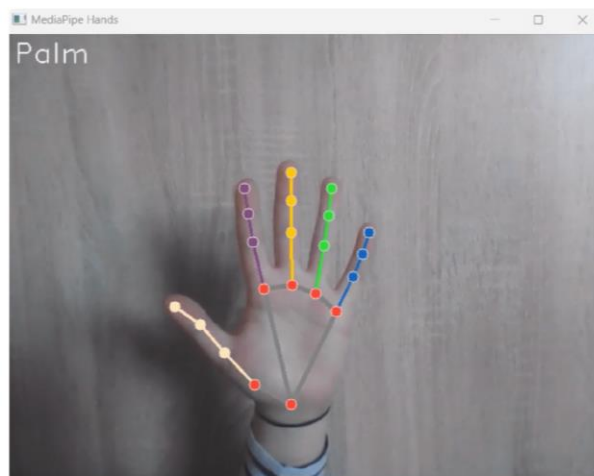
Data Collection
and
Preparation



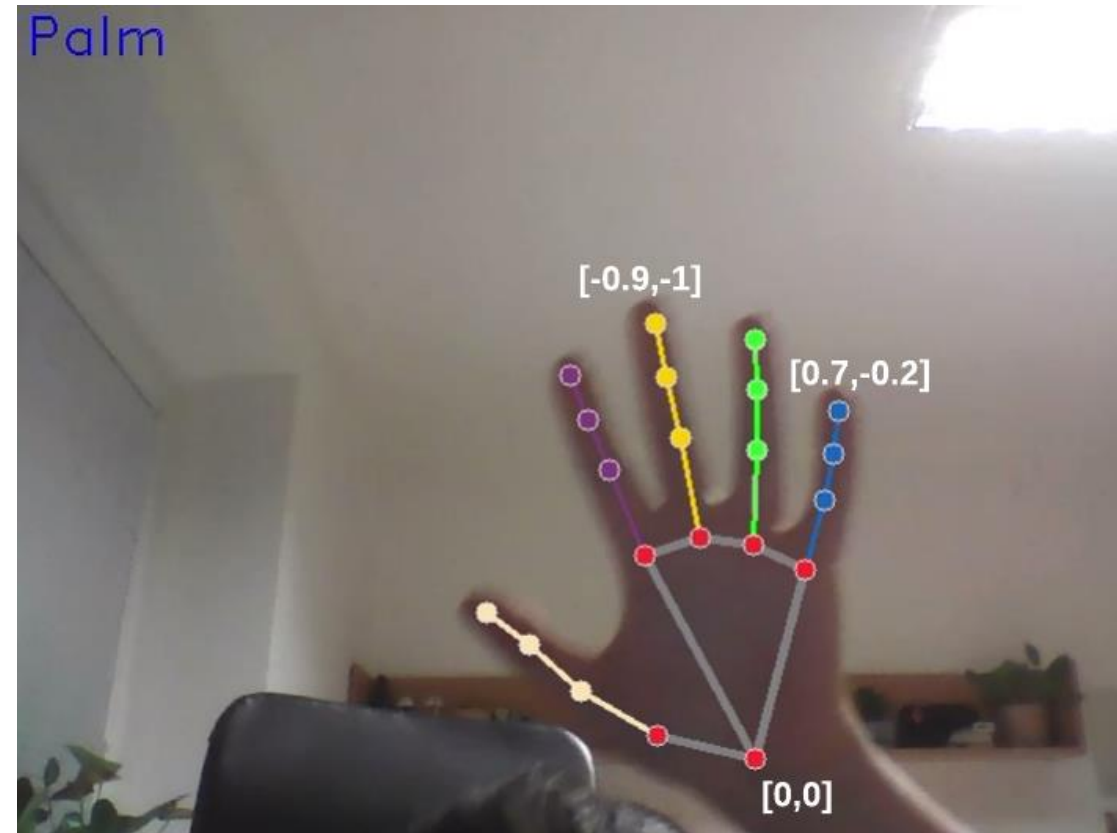
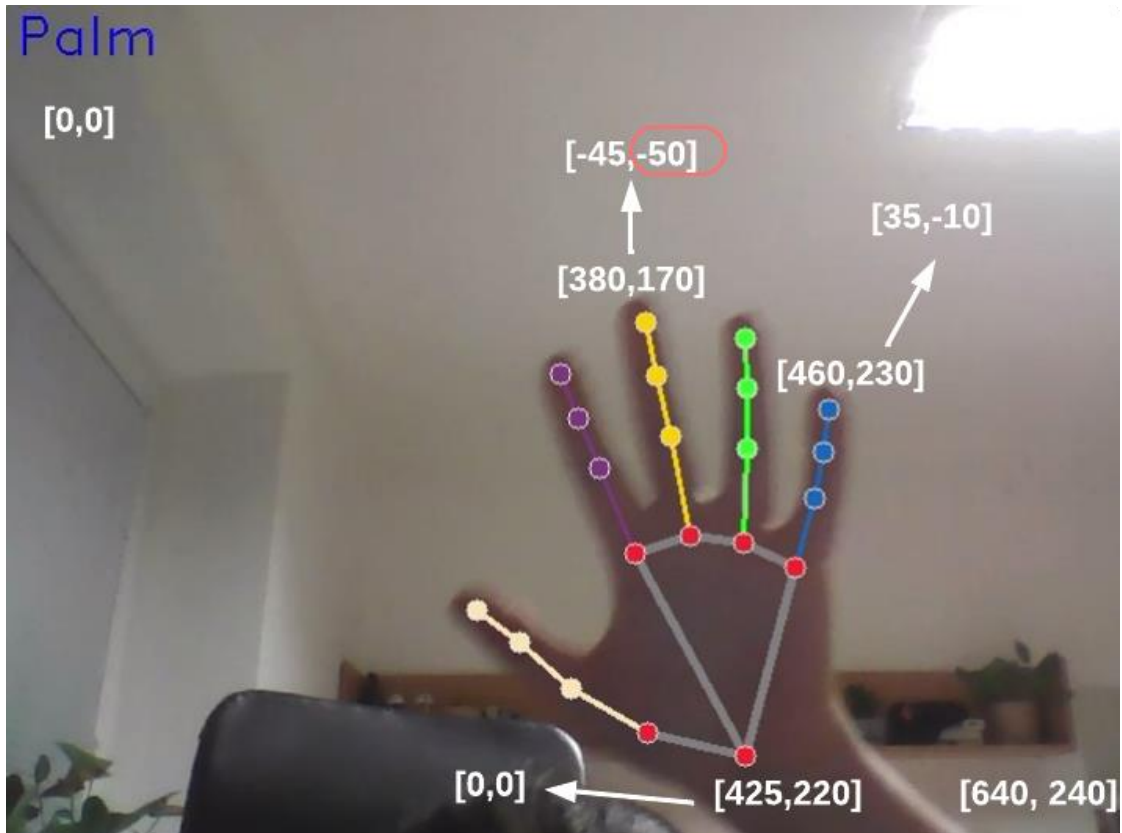
→ Palm detector



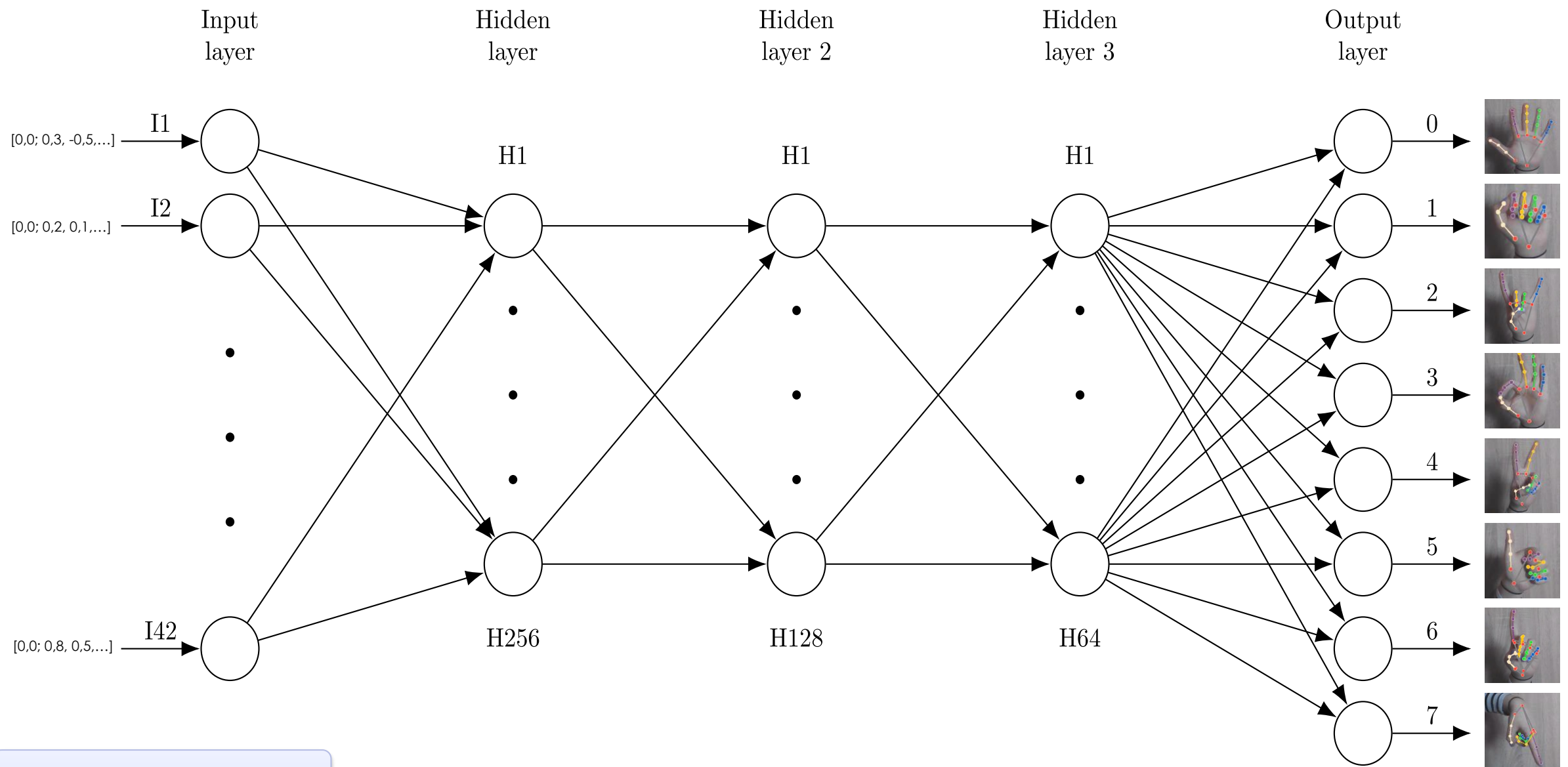
→ Hand landmark locator



Data Collection



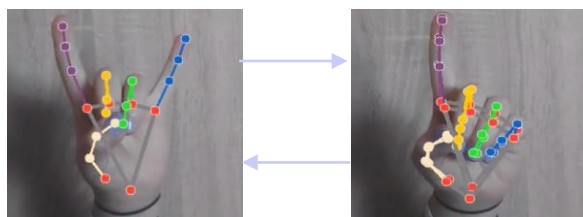
Data
Normalization



Model for Gesture Recognition

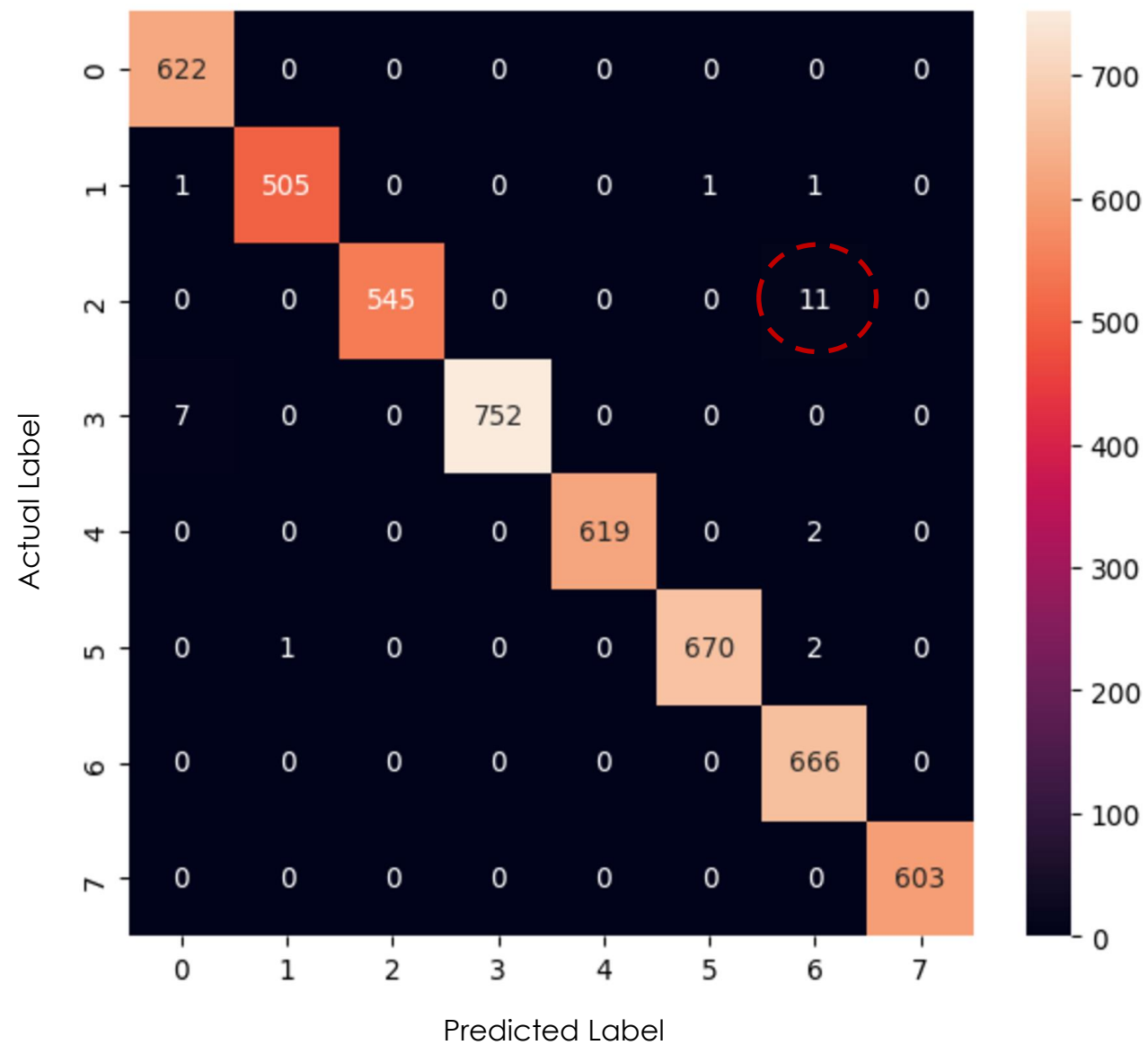
Training Results

- Accuracy 99.62%
- Loss 0.0309
- 52 680 total parameters



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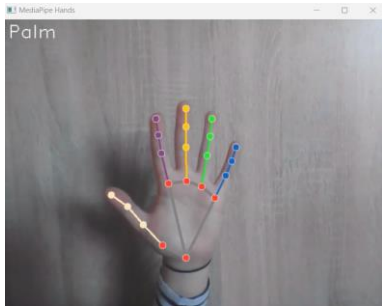


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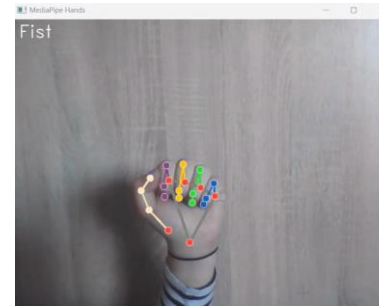


- RYZE Tech - Tello
- Programmable
- Onboard camera

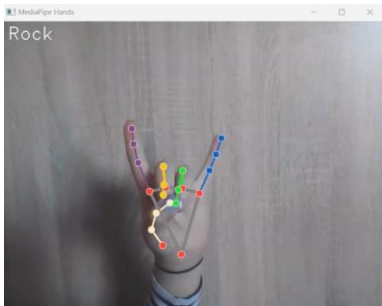




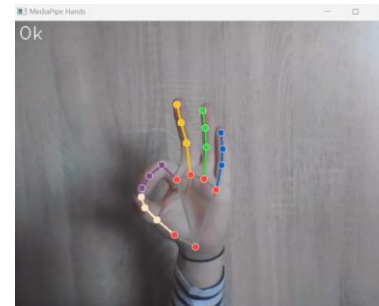
0 – Palm
move backward



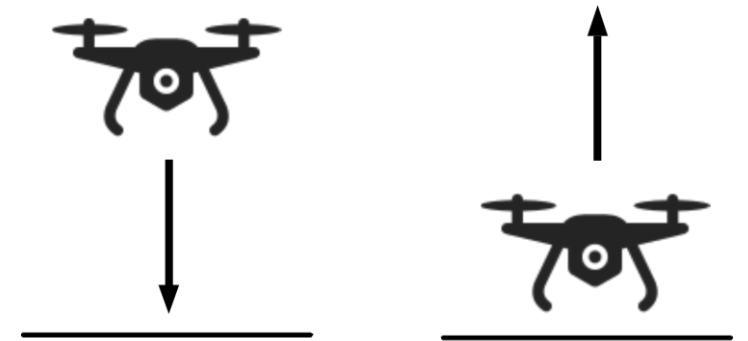
1 – Fist
move forward

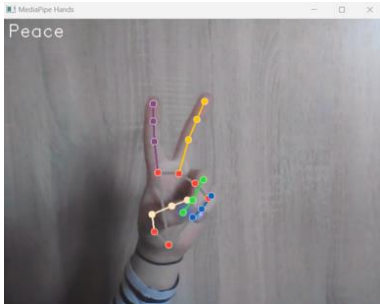


2 – Rock
perform a flip-forward

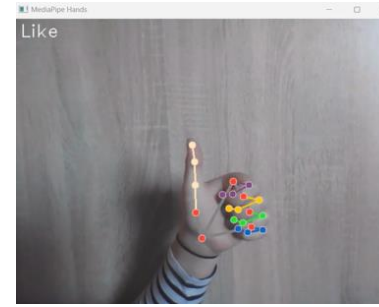


3 – Ok
land or take off

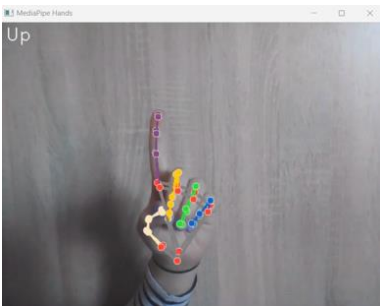




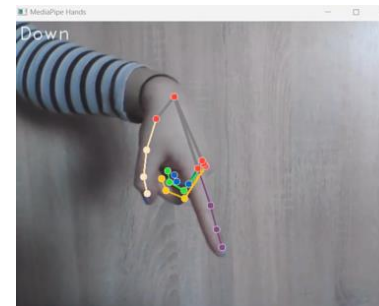
4 – Peace
take a picture



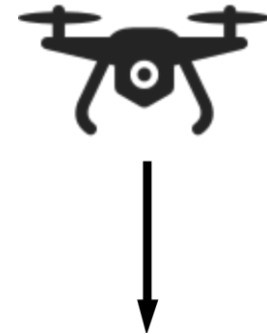
5 – Like
rotate 360°



6 – Up
move up



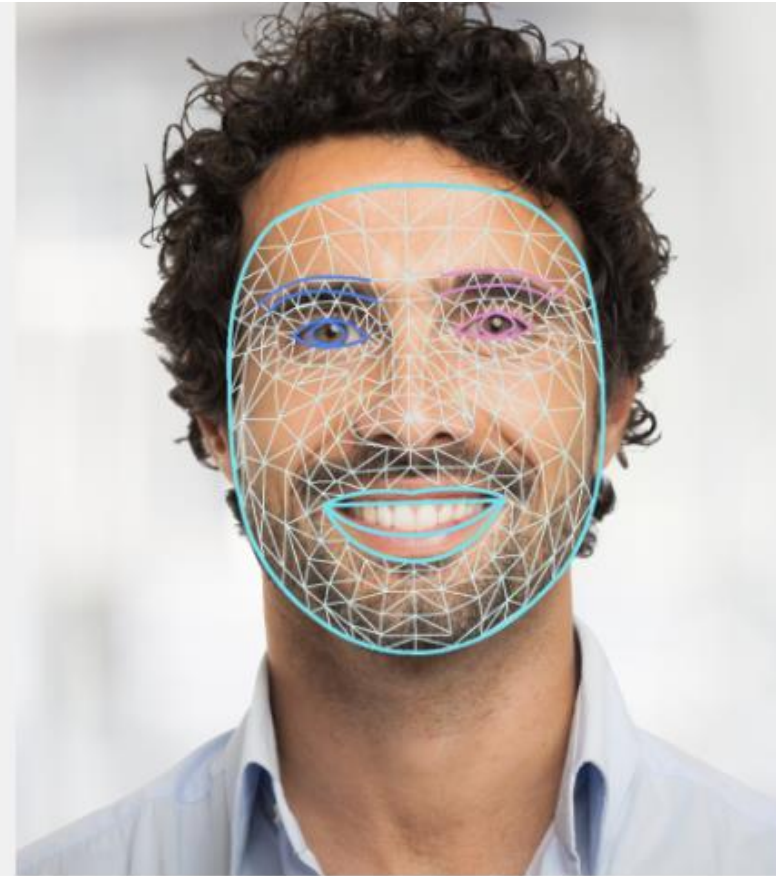
7 – Down
move down



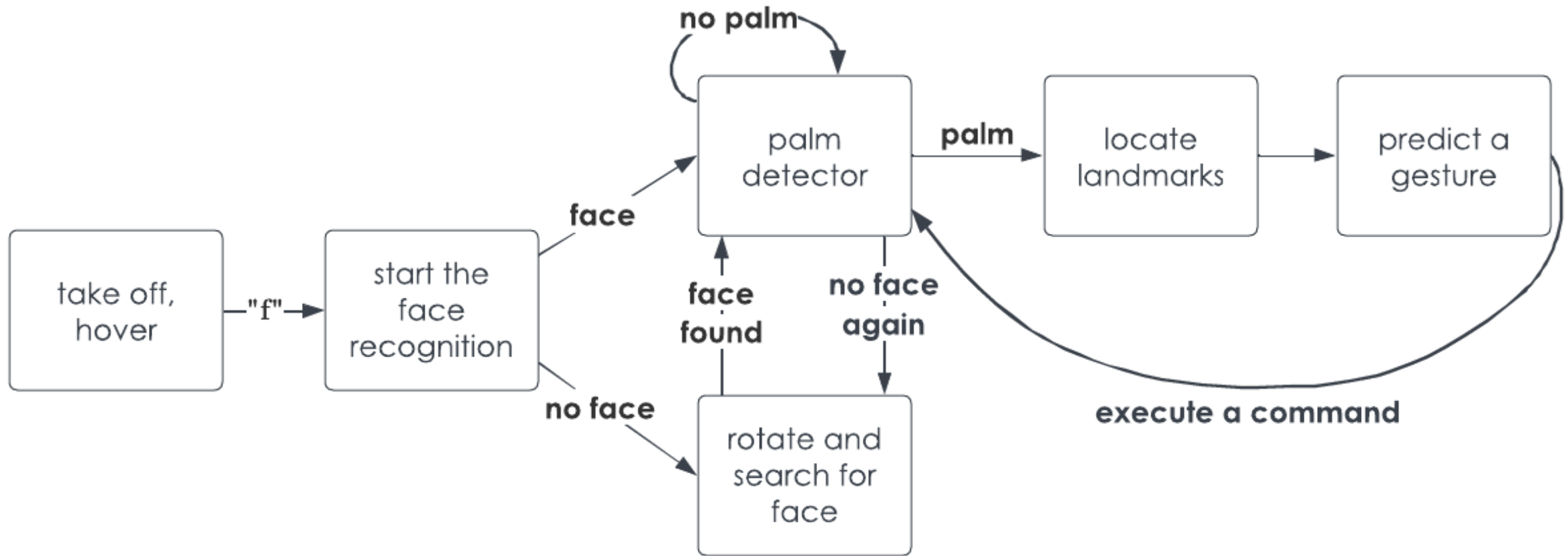
Drone Control

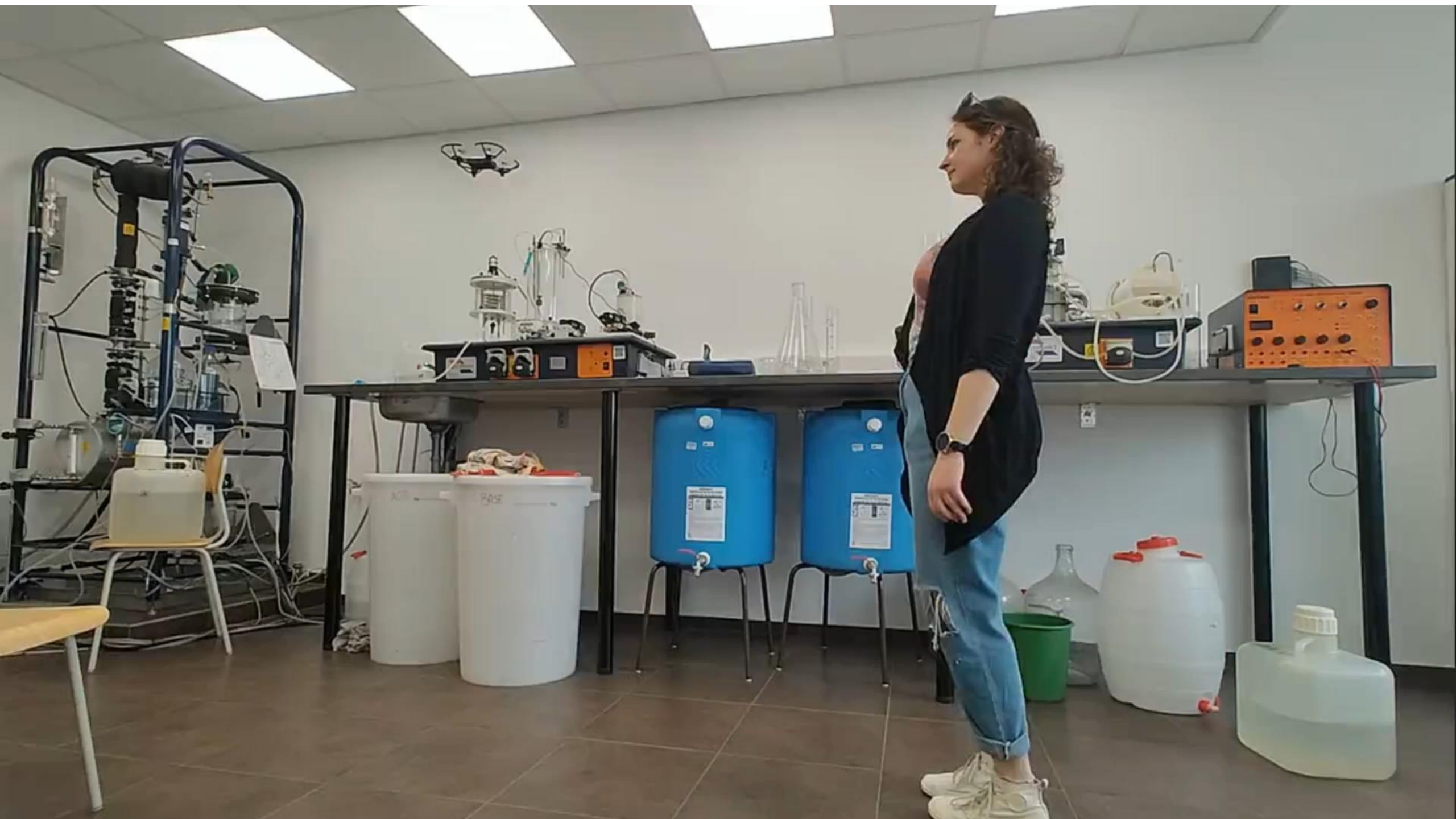


→ BlazeFace for detection
(6 landmarks)



→ Face Mesh for recognition
(478 landmarks)









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- Drone command execution
- Implementing face detection
- Possible expansions

Conclusions

Total samples: 20 030, 5008 is the validation set



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The presented dataset includes samples with the same settings. What steps must be taken to generalize the proposed classification model and ensure it works in different environments (e.g., various skin tones, bright settings, camera noise)?

→ MediaPipe bundle

What are the benefits of controlling the drone using an integrated camera over the external one, which could increase the drone's range and mobility?

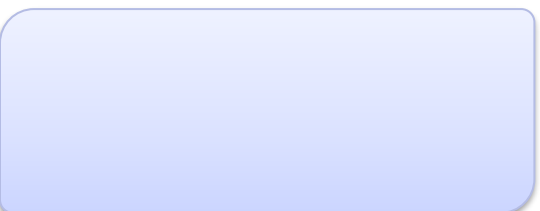
→ Intuition, purpose of use

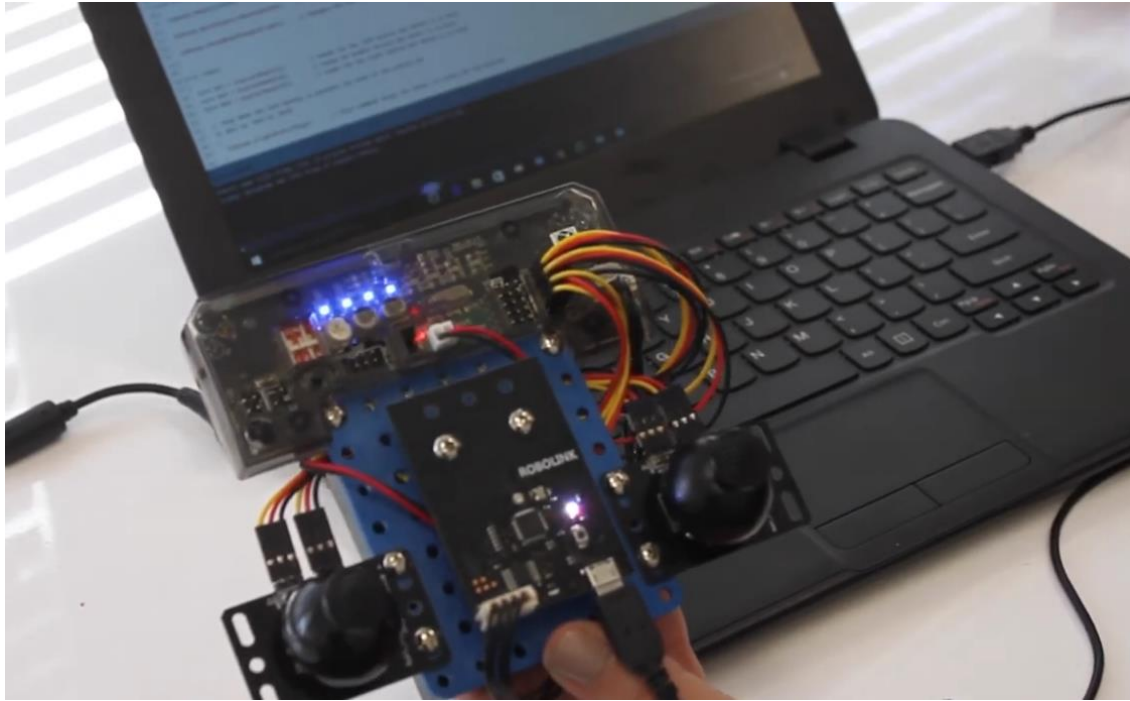
Is it possible to implement the proposed navigation system directly on the drone without the need for an external computer? If not, what are the limiting factors?

→ Onboard controller, weight and stability issues



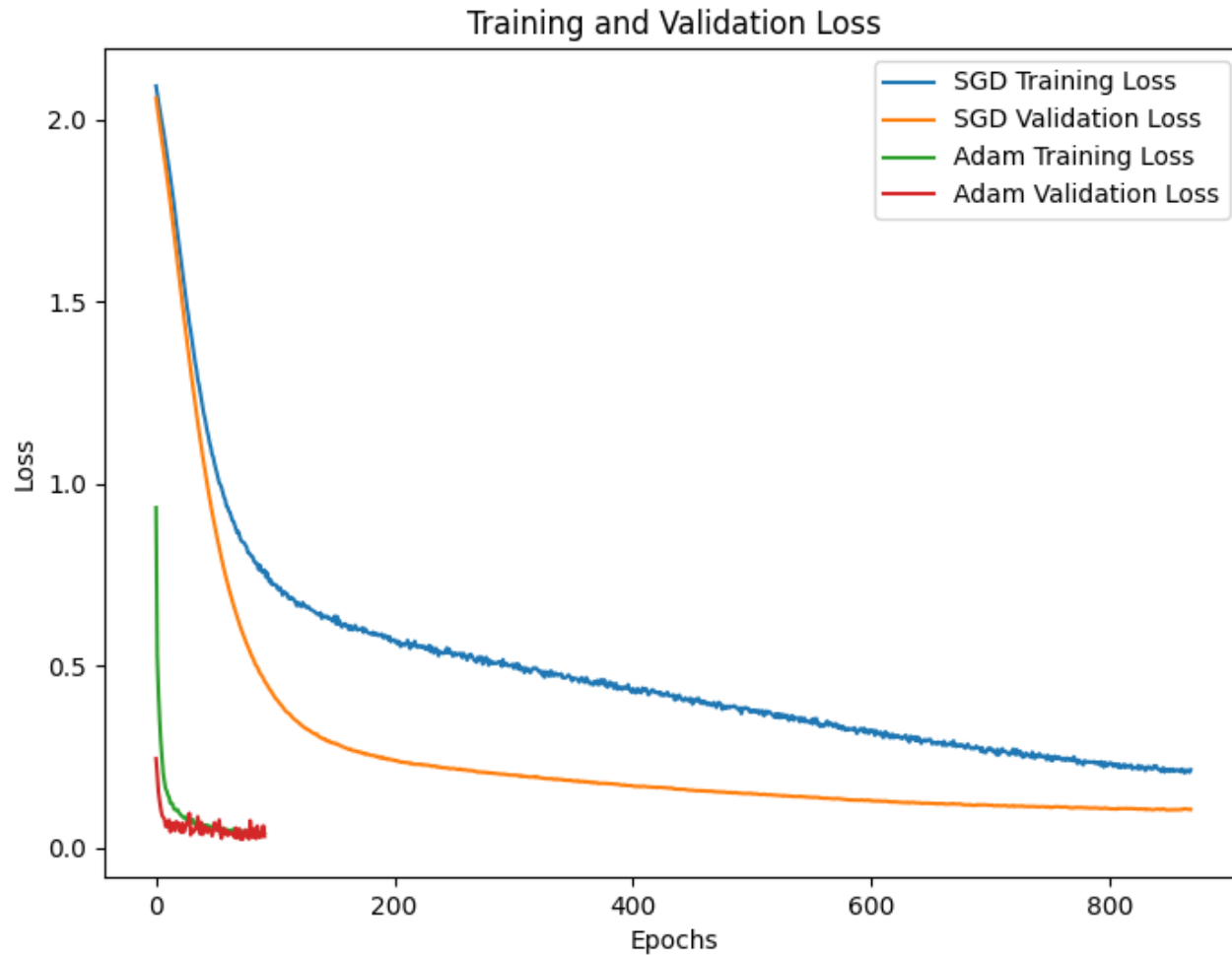
Questions for the
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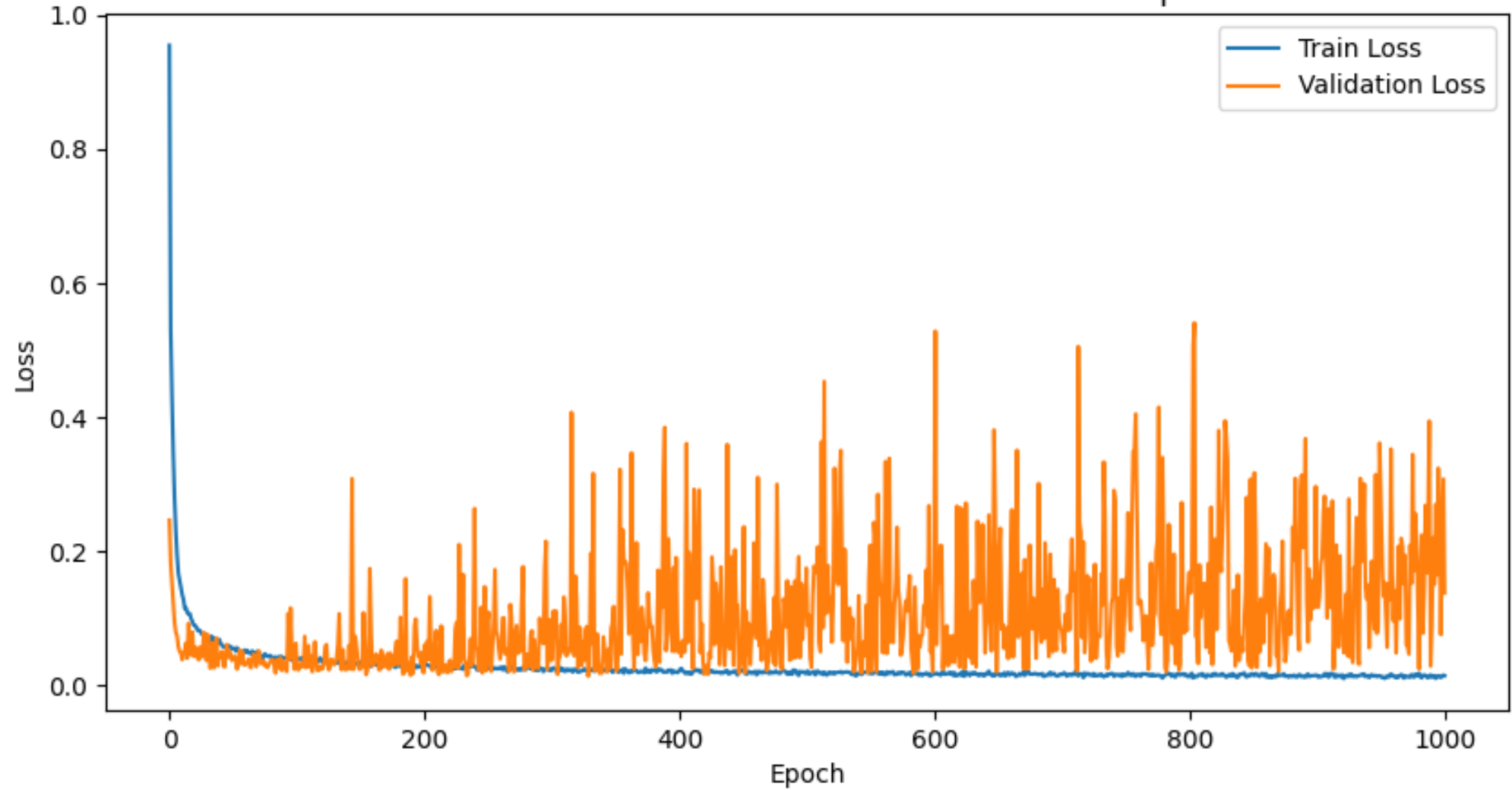
Adjustments

- More dense layers
- Optimizer
- Learning rate
- Batch size
- Early stopping



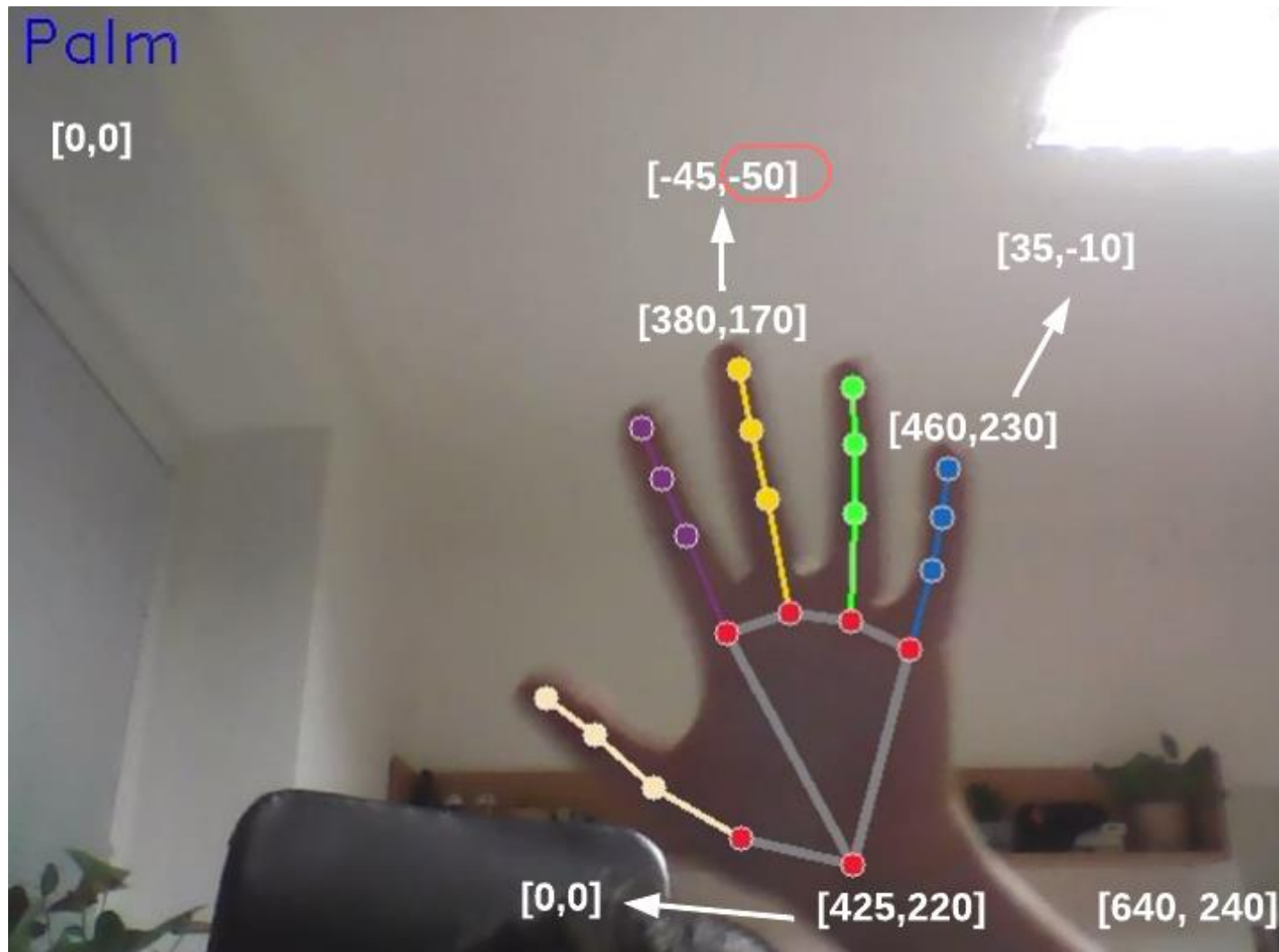
- Adam optimizer is for our problem more efficient
- Faster convergence
- Models are generalizing well to the validation data

Model Loss for ReLU Activation Function Over 1000 Epochs

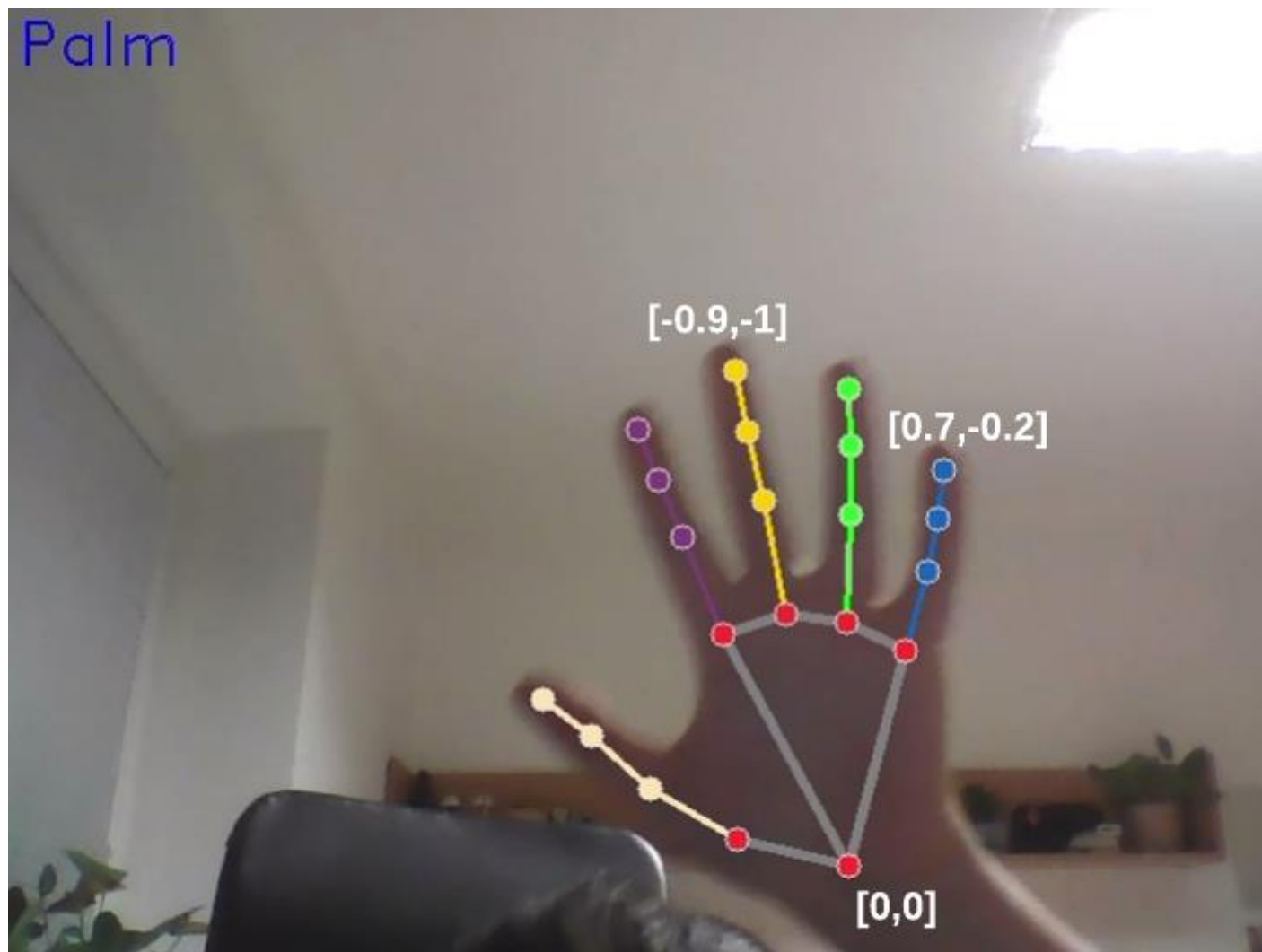


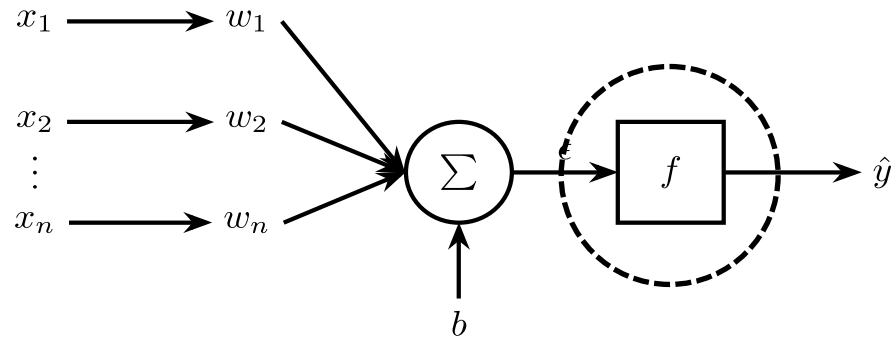
Parameter	Option	Validation Loss	Epochs
Optimizer	SGD	0.209	840
	Adam	0.063	98
Learning Rate	0.001	0.112	73
	0.0001	0.12	200
	$1 \cdot 10^{-5}$	0.18	1000
Batch Size	16	0.112	46
	64	0.114	72
	128	0.11	77
	256	0.12	94
	512	0.113	80
	1024	0.119	167

Palm



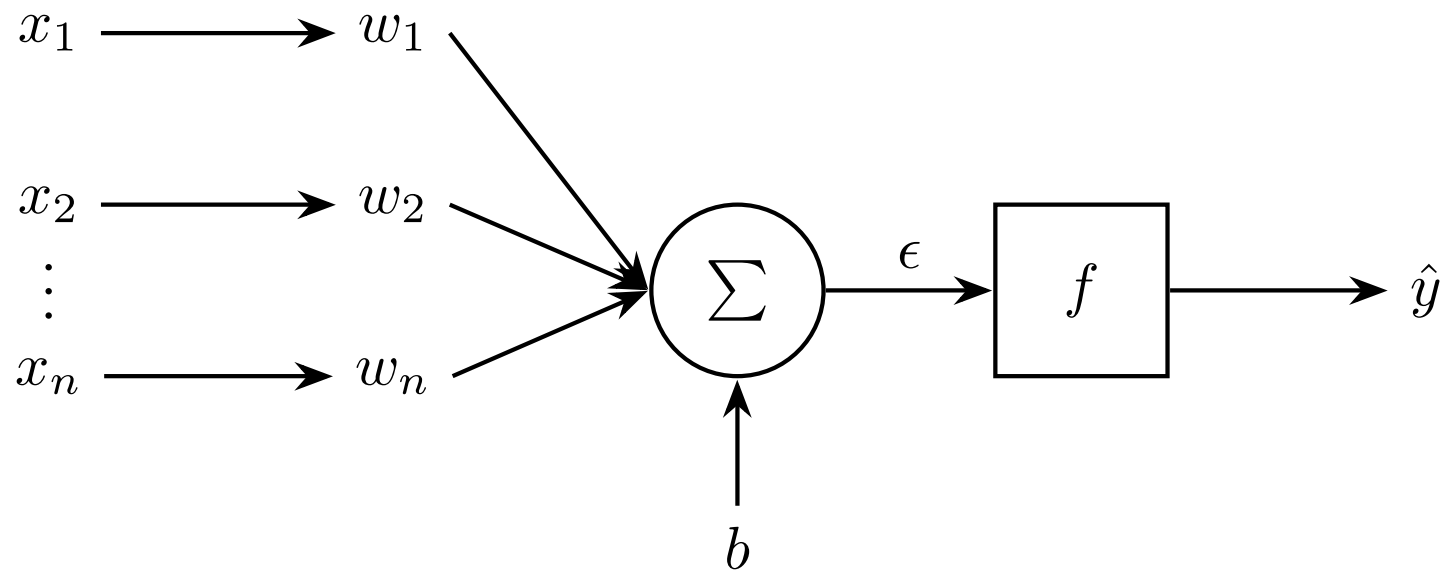
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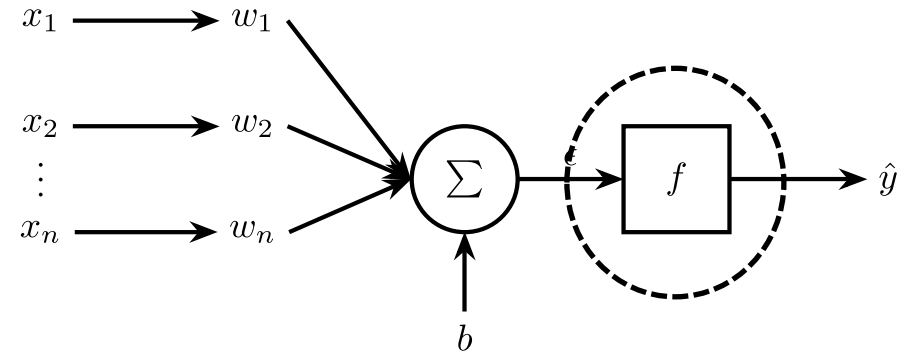
Model Settings

- Dropout drops a unit during training, randomly sets a fraction of inputs to 0 at each update
- Early stopping: when there's increase in loss
- Epoch: 1 iteration in training cycle – how many times the network sees the whole dataset
- Sparse Categorical Crossentropy



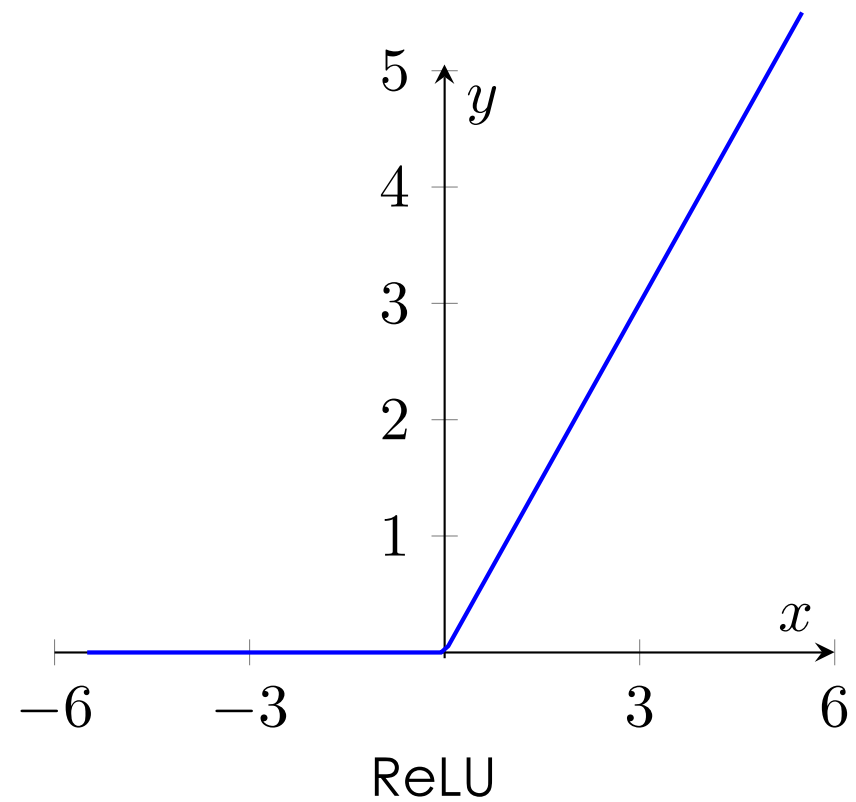
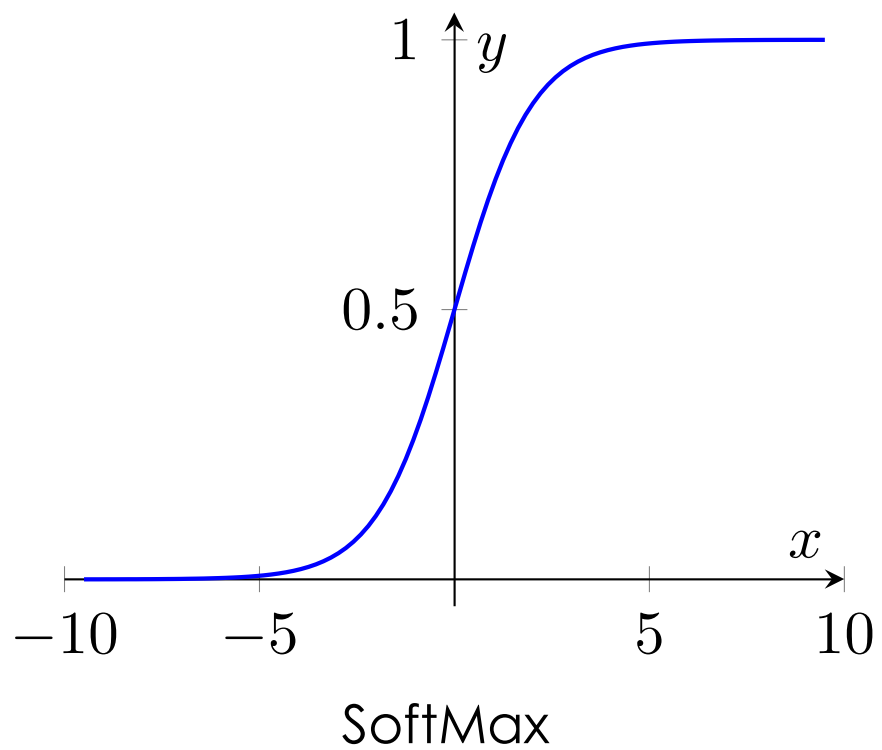
$$\hat{y} = f(\epsilon) = f(x_i w_i + b)$$

Activation Functions



→ ReLU

→ SoftMax



Learning

$$C = - \sum_{c=1}^M y_{o,c} \log(p_{o,c})$$

$$w_1 = w_1 - \alpha \frac{\partial C}{\partial w_1},$$

Resources

<https://mediapipe-studio.webapps.google.com>

<https://www.ryzerobotics.com/tello>

<https://www.zero-x.com.au/product-force>

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