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Barcode Detection

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1. Problem Statement

This project aims to detect barcodes found on any product using a pretrained model. In order to prevent shipping error, drive up efficiency, and assure brand integrity, barcode reading technology is needed. A product's Universal Product Code (UPC) code is a set of black bars used to identify it. Expiration dates, country of origin, and batch numbers are just some of the information that may be found in a barcode.

Application of detecting the barcode of specific products:

- 1) Inventory Management: this could be used for different areas such as retail and sales and healthcare(pharmacy/ hospitals).
- 2) Library and document management: many libraries use barcodes to manage and track books, as well as document archiving where they check if the book is out or in.

2. Data Description:

In this project, a pretrained model is applied to a real-time video captured from a local webcam. The process begins with capturing a video from a webcam and if a barcode appears during capturing, a rectangular box around the detected barcode must be shown with its accuracy.

3. Proposed Methods

YOLOv3 model is a pretrained model that can be used to detect a barcode. The YOLOv3 model is found in the DensNet deep neural network model for the detection task, as it is pre-trained on 1000 classes from the ImageNet dataset.

To detect a barcode found in an image we need to do the following:

- 1) Load the class names text file and extract the required labels.
- 2) Load the pre-trained neural network model. In this project we will use the YOLOv3 pretrained model.
- 3) Load and prepare the image to be in the correct input format for the deep learning model.
- 4) Make prediction: forward propagate the input image through the model and obtain the outputs.
- 5) Visualize the result.