Homework # 4

Problem: The video hw4.avi is a video of a CD player with two ArUco tags attached to it. Your mission is to use computer vision to recognize and identify the tags, and display the location of the "on/off" switch to the user. The markers are 4×4 bit patterns, size is 2 inches on a side, and the markers were created by specifying 100 markers in the dictionary. The marker on the left is id = 0; the marker on the right is id = 1.

Here is the location of the switch (in inches):

With respect to marker 0: (X, Y, Z) = (2.5; -2.0; -1.0).

With respect to marker 1: (X, Y, Z) = (-2.5; -2.0; -5.0).

The camera's intrinsic parameters are $f_x = 675$, $f_y = 675$, $c_x = 320$, $c_y = 240$, assume no distortion.

Your program should recognize a marker, determine its pose, and overlay a pyramid on the image showing the location of the on/off switch as an overlay.

Refer to attached script HW4.py. The pyramid corner coordinates Pyramid are defined; these were adjusted based on the appearance of the projected pyramid on the video. Also, the ArUco dictionary is defined for the 4×4 bit patterns with side length of 2 inches. The aruco.detectMarkers() function is called to detect any arUco tags. If there is any marker identified, the boundary is drawn using function aruco.drawDetectedMarkers() and the rotation and translation vectors for the pose are found using function aruco.estimatePoseSingleMarkers(). The XYZ coordinate axes of the marker are then drawn using the rotation and translation vectors in function aruco.drawAxis.

Next, homogeneous transformations are considered to map the pyramid onto the switch. For the $4 \times 4 {c \atop m} H$ matrix representing the transformation matrix for the marker with respect to the camera, the rotation and translation vectors are used. The rotation vector is transformed into a 3×3 matrix using function cv2.Rodrigues(); this R matrix is placed in the upper-left block matrix of ${}^{c}_{m}H$. The translation vector of the marker in homogeneous coordinates forms the last column of ${}^{c}_{m}H$. To find the transformation of the switch to the marker ${}^{m}_{s}H$, a rotation about the y axis of the marker is considered and the provided translation vectors are used for the respective markers. For marker 0, the switch is at a rotation of +90 degrees, $a_y = \pi/2$. For marker 1, the switch is at a rotation of -90 degrees, $a_y = -\pi/2$. These angles are used to form rotation matrix $R_y = ((c_y, 0, s_y), (0, 1, 0), (-s_y, 0, c_y))$, where $c_y = \cos(a_y)$, $s_y = \sin(a_y)$. Rotation matrix R_y forms the upper left block matrix in ${}_s^m H$ and the translation vector in homogeneous coordinates forms the fourth column of ${}_s^m H$. Finally, the transformation for the switch with respect to the camera is ${}_{s}^{c}H = {}_{m}^{c}H_{s}^{m}H$ and the projected pyramid points are found as $p_C = KM_{ext}Pyramid$, where M_{ext} include the first 3 rows of c_sH and K is the intrinsic camera matrix. Points p_C are converted to 2D homogeneous coordinates and are then drawn on the frame by using cv2.line() to form the wireframe of the pyramid. The resulting video can be found here:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1gAUSfAKBav1ItA6ZgMnP8RDjUN6dzcrT/view?usp=sharing.