Our final code –

import cv2

import numpy as np

import open3d as o3d

from sklearn.cluster import DBSCAN

from keras.models import Sequential, load\_model

from keras.layers import Conv2D, MaxPooling2D, Flatten, Dense, Dropout

from keras.preprocessing.image import ImageDataGenerator, img\_to\_array

import openni2

import time

import logging

import os

# Setup logging for debugging and tracking

logging.basicConfig(level=logging.INFO, format='%(asctime)s - %(levelname)s - %(message)s')

# Step 1: Data Preprocessing and Collection

logging.info("Setting up data augmentation for training dataset.")

image\_gen = ImageDataGenerator(

width\_shift\_range=0.1,

height\_shift\_range=0.1,

shear\_range=0.2,

zoom\_range=0.2,

fill\_mode='nearest'

)

train\_data\_path = 'data/pallet/train'

test\_data\_path = 'data/pallet/test'

# Check if the directories exist

if not os.path.exists(train\_data\_path) or not os.path.exists(test\_data\_path):

logging.error(f"Data paths do not exist: {train\_data\_path}, {test\_data\_path}")

exit(1)

# Load image data

try:

train\_image\_gen = image\_gen.flow\_from\_directory(

train\_data\_path,

target\_size=(400, 400),

batch\_size=16,

class\_mode='binary'

)

test\_image\_gen = image\_gen.flow\_from\_directory(

test\_data\_path,

target\_size=(400, 400),

batch\_size=16,

class\_mode='binary'

)

except Exception as e:

logging.error(f"Error loading image data: {e}")

exit(1)

# Step 2: Define and Train the CNN Model

logging.info("Defining and training the CNN model.")

model = Sequential([

Conv2D(32, (3, 3), input\_shape=(400, 400, 3), activation='relu', name='Conv1'),

MaxPooling2D(pool\_size=(2, 2), name='Pool1'),

Conv2D(64, (3, 3), activation='relu', name='Conv2'),

MaxPooling2D(pool\_size=(2, 2), name='Pool2'),

Conv2D(128, (3, 3), activation='relu', name='Conv3'),

MaxPooling2D(pool\_size=(2, 2), name='Pool3'),

Flatten(name='Flatten'),

Dense(128, activation='relu', name='FC1'),

Dropout(0.5, name='Dropout1'),

Dense(1, activation='sigmoid', name='Output')

])

try:

model.compile(loss='binary\_crossentropy', optimizer='adam', metrics=['accuracy'])

logging.info("Model summary:")

model.summary()

logging.info("Starting model training.")

model.fit(train\_image\_gen, epochs=10, validation\_data=test\_image\_gen, steps\_per\_epoch=100, validation\_steps=12)

except Exception as e:

logging.error(f"Error during model training: {e}")

exit(1)

# Save the model

model\_path = 'models/pallet\_detection\_cnn.h5'

os.makedirs(os.path.dirname(model\_path), exist\_ok=True)

try:

model.save(model\_path)

logging.info(f"Model saved at {model\_path}")

except Exception as e:

logging.error(f"Error saving model: {e}")

exit(1)

# Step 3: Point Cloud Data Collection and Segmentation using DBSCAN

logging.info("Initializing Orbbec camera for point cloud data collection.")

try:

openni2.initialize() # Load OpenNI drivers

dev = openni2.Device.open\_any() # Connect to the Orbbec camera

depth\_stream = dev.create\_depth\_stream()

depth\_stream.start()

except Exception as e:

logging.error(f"Failed to initialize OpenNI or connect to Orbbec camera: {e}")

exit(1)

def capture\_point\_cloud():

logging.info("Capturing point cloud from depth stream.")

try:

depth\_frame = depth\_stream.read\_frame()

depth\_data = np.array(depth\_frame.get\_buffer\_as\_uint16()).reshape((depth\_frame.height, depth\_frame.width))

except Exception as e:

logging.error(f"Failed to capture depth frame: {e}")

return None

height, width = depth\_data.shape

points = []

for i in range(height):

for j in range(width):

z = depth\_data[i, j]

if z > 0: # Filter valid depth points

x = j

y = i

points.append([x, y, z])

if len(points) == 0:

logging.warning("No valid points found in depth data.")

return None

point\_cloud = o3d.geometry.PointCloud()

point\_cloud.points = o3d.utility.Vector3dVector(np.array(points))

return point\_cloud

def segment\_pallet\_pockets(point\_cloud):

if point\_cloud is None:

logging.error("Point cloud is None. Cannot proceed with segmentation.")

return []

logging.info("Segmenting point cloud to detect pallet pockets using DBSCAN.")

points = np.asarray(point\_cloud.points)

if len(points) == 0:

logging.error("Point cloud is empty. Exiting segmentation.")

return []

try:

clustering = DBSCAN(eps=0.05, min\_samples=10).fit(points)

labels = clustering.labels\_

unique\_labels = set(labels)

segmented\_pockets = [points[labels == label] for label in unique\_labels if label != -1]

return segmented\_pockets

except Exception as e:

logging.error(f"Error during point cloud segmentation: {e}")

return []

def visualize\_segmented\_pockets(segmented\_pockets):

if not segmented\_pockets:

logging.warning("No segmented pockets to visualize.")

return

logging.info("Visualizing segmented pallet pockets.")

for idx, pocket in enumerate(segmented\_pockets):

pocket\_cloud = o3d.geometry.PointCloud()

pocket\_cloud.points = o3d.utility.Vector3dVector(pocket)

o3d.visualization.draw\_geometries([pocket\_cloud], window\_name=f'Segmented Pocket {idx + 1}')

# Step 4: Calculate Coordinates Using Iterative Closest Point (ICP)

def calculate\_icp(source\_cloud, target\_cloud):

if source\_cloud is None or target\_cloud is None:

logging.error("Source or target cloud is None. Cannot proceed with ICP.")

return None

logging.info("Calculating ICP transformation for fork alignment.")

threshold = 0.02

transformation = o3d.pipelines.registration.registration\_icp(

source\_cloud, target\_cloud, threshold, np.identity(4),

o3d.pipelines.registration.TransformationEstimationPointToPoint()

)

return transformation.transformation

def recognize\_pallet\_shape(point\_cloud):

if point\_cloud is None:

logging.error("Point cloud is None. Cannot proceed with shape recognition.")

return None

reference\_pallet\_path = 'data/reference\_euro\_pallet.ply'

if not os.path.exists(reference\_pallet\_path):

logging.error(f"Reference pallet point cloud file does not exist: {reference\_pallet\_path}")

return None

logging.info("Recognizing shape and dimensions of EURO pallet using point cloud registration.")

reference\_pallet = o3d.io.read\_point\_cloud(reference\_pallet\_path)

reg\_p2p = o3d.pipelines.registration.registration\_icp(

point\_cloud, reference\_pallet, 0.05, np.identity(4),

o3d.pipelines.registration.TransformationEstimationPointToPoint()

)

transformation = reg\_p2p.transformation

return transformation

if \_\_name\_\_ == "\_\_main\_\_":

try:

if not os.path.exists(model\_path):

logging.error(f"Model file does not exist: {model\_path}")

exit(1)

logging.info("Loading trained CNN model for pallet detection.")

model = load\_model(model\_path)

point\_cloud = capture\_point\_cloud()

if point\_cloud is None:

logging.error("Failed to capture point cloud. Exiting.")

exit(1)

segmented\_pockets = segment\_pallet\_pockets(point\_cloud)

if len(segmented\_pockets) == 0:

logging.error("No pallet pockets found during segmentation.")

exit(1)

visualize\_segmented\_pockets(segmented\_pockets)

example\_image\_path = 'data/pallet/test/occupied/occupied\_example.jpg'

if not os.path.exists(example\_image\_path):

logging.error(f"Example image file does not exist: {example\_image\_path}")

else:

img = cv2.imread(example\_image\_path)

img = cv2.resize(img, (400, 400))

img\_array = img\_to\_array(img)

img\_array = np.expand\_dims(img\_array, axis=0) / 255.0

prediction = model.predict(img\_array)

pallet\_status = "Occupied" if prediction < 0.5 else "Empty"

logging.info(f"Pallet Status: {pallet\_status}")

target\_cloud\_path = 'data/fork\_target.ply'

if not os.path.exists(target\_cloud\_path):

logging.error(f"Target point cloud file does not exist: {target\_cloud\_path}")

else:

target\_cloud = o3d.io.read\_point\_cloud(target\_cloud\_path)

transformation = calculate\_icp(point\_cloud, target\_cloud)

if transformation is not None:

logging.info("ICP Transformation Matrix:")

logging.info(transformation)

pallet\_transformation = recognize\_pallet\_shape(point\_cloud)

if pallet\_transformation is not None:

logging.info("Pallet Recognition Transformation Matrix:")

logging.info(pallet\_transformation)

except Exception as e:

logging.error(f"An unexpected error occurred: {e}")

finally:

if depth\_stream is not None:

logging.info("Stopping depth stream.")

depth\_stream.stop()

openni2.unload()

**1.In which area we are introducing artificial intelligence**

In our project, we are introducing **artificial intelligence (AI)** primarily through the use of **Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs)**. The AI component allows the system to:

1. **Detect and Recognize Pallets in Real-Time**: The CNN is trained to identify key features of pallets—such as edges, corners, and contours—using data from the Orbbec Gemini 2 3D camera. This helps the forklift autonomously recognize pallets in various environments, even if they are not perfectly positioned or have some visual obstructions.
2. **Make Autonomous Decisions**: The AI capabilities enable the forklift to not only detect the presence of pallets but also make decisions about alignment and safe handling, without the need for human intervention.

These AI techniques enhance the forklift's ability to **adapt** to different warehouse conditions, **generalize** from the training data to real-world scenarios, and make the entire operation **more efficient and precise**. This is especially significant in dynamic industrial settings, where conditions can change rapidly, and precise decision-making is essential for safety and productivity.

**2.In which area we are introducing machine vision**

**Machine vision** in our project refers to the use of visual data from the **Orbbec Gemini 2 3D camera** to detect and identify pallets. Specifically, machine vision is employed through:

1. **RGB and Depth Data Analysis**: The camera captures both RGB images and depth information, which allows the system to "see" the environment in 3D.
2. **Feature Recognition with CNN**: The captured images are processed using **Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs)** to recognize key features of pallets, such as edges, corners, and contours, which are crucial for accurate detection and subsequent forklift operations.

By integrating machine vision, our forklift is capable of autonomous perception, which is a critical part of enabling the vehicle to navigate and perform complex tasks like detecting pallets and aligning with them accurately. This aspect of machine vision makes the forklift system highly adaptable to different environments and operational conditions.

**3.In which area we are introducing cutting-edge 3D sensing**

**Cutting-edge 3D sensing** in our project refers to the use of the **Orbbec Gemini 2 3D camera** to capture both RGB images and depth data, which provides a comprehensive three-dimensional representation of the environment. This 3D sensing capability is vital for:

1. **Generating Point Clouds**: The Orbbec camera provides detailed depth information that allows us to create point clouds—3D models of the workspace. This is crucial for recognizing pallet positions and features in a complex, dynamic setting.
2. **Depth Perception for Precision Alignment**: The 3D data enables the system to understand the spatial relationships in the environment accurately, which helps in precise fork alignment with pallet pockets using algorithms like ICP.

By introducing cutting-edge 3D sensing, our system can "see" the environment with high precision, allowing it to make informed decisions regarding navigation, detection, and alignment, which are essential for fully autonomous forklift operation.

**Report format**

A 150-page report is quite comprehensive! To create such an in-depth report, we would need to cover all aspects of the project in detail, including theoretical background, system architecture, hardware components, software implementation, testing, results, challenges, and potential future improvements.

Here's a suggested outline for your report that could span approximately 150 pages:

**Suggested Report Outline:**

**1. Introduction (10-15 pages)**

* Overview of Autonomous Material Handling Systems
* Role of Automated Guided Vehicles (AGVs) in Industry
* Evolution and Need for Autonomous Forklifts
* Objectives and Scope of the Project
* Contributions of this Research

**2. Literature Review (15-20 pages)**

* Overview of Forklift Automation Technologies
* Comparison of Existing AGV Systems and Autonomous Forklifts
* Machine Learning and 3D Sensing in Industrial Robotics
* Advantages of Using Vision-Based Guidance in Material Handling
* Summary of Related Work and Novel Contributions of Our Approach

**3. System Design and Architecture (20-25 pages)**

* High-Level Architecture Diagram of the System
* Explanation of System Components
* Functional Requirements
* Hardware Selection:
  + Raspberry Pi 4 as the Central Controller
  + Orbbec Gemini 2 3D Camera: Specifications and Capabilities
* Software Architecture and Flow of Control

**4. Machine Learning for Pallet Detection (20-25 pages)**

* Convolutional Neural Network (CNN) Design
* Dataset Preparation and Augmentation
* Training Process:
  + Hyperparameters and Model Training Details
  + Model Evaluation Metrics (Precision, Recall, F1 Score)
* Challenges in Detecting Pallets in Warehouse Environments
* Optimization Techniques for Improved Accuracy

**5. Point Cloud Segmentation (15-20 pages)**

* Introduction to 3D Sensing and Point Cloud Data
* Role of Orbbec Gemini 2 in Capturing Depth Information
* Preprocessing Point Cloud Data
* Clustering using DBSCAN:
  + Algorithm Explanation
  + Segmentation of Pallet Pockets
* Implementation Details and Challenges

**6. Fork Alignment using Iterative Closest Point (ICP) (15-20 pages)**

* Detailed Explanation of ICP Algorithm
* Fork Alignment Strategy with ICP
* Addressing Misalignments and Ensuring Accurate Fork Placement
* Real-Time Adjustments and Feedback Mechanism
* Testing and Validation

**7. Point Cloud Registration for Pallet Verification (10-15 pages)**

* Importance of Verifying Pallet Shape and Dimensions
* Implementation of Point Cloud Registration
* Use Cases of Validation (Handling Damaged or Non-Standard Pallets)
* Safety Considerations

**8. Hardware Implementation and System Integration (10-15 pages)**

* Raspberry Pi Integration with Camera, Motors, and Sensors
* Interfacing the Orbbec Gemini 2 Camera
* Communication Protocols (TCP/IP, GPIO for Control)
* Hardware and Software Synchronization

**9. Testing and Evaluation (15-20 pages)**

* Testing the CNN Model for Pallet Detection
* Performance of the DBSCAN Segmentation for Pallet Pockets
* Evaluation of ICP for Fork Alignment
* Integration Tests for Overall System
* Real-World Testing in Warehouse Environment
* Metrics for Performance: Accuracy, Efficiency, Response Time

**10. Challenges and Solutions (10-15 pages)**

* Challenges Faced During Development:
  + Depth Data Noise and Inconsistencies
  + Real-Time Processing Limitations
  + Environmental Factors Affecting Detection
* Solutions and Improvements:
  + Optimization Techniques
  + Real-Time Processing Enhancements
  + Calibration and Tuning

**11. Comparison with Existing Systems (10 pages)**

* Comparison with Traditional AGV Systems
* Advantages of Using Deep Learning and 3D Sensing
* Improvement in Precision, Safety, and Efficiency

**12. Future Work and Improvements (10 pages)**

* Extending Autonomy to Navigation and Movement
* Enhancing Robustness with Advanced AI Models (e.g., YOLO, Faster R-CNN)
* Integration with Warehouse Management Systems
* Potential for Industrial Adoption

**13. Conclusion (5-10 pages)**

* Summary of Accomplishments
* Key Contributions of the Project
* Final Thoughts on the Impact of Autonomous Forklifts in Industry

**14. References (10 pages)**

* Books, Journals, Research Papers Referenced in the Report
* Online Resources and Documentation

**15. Appendices (15 pages)**

* Appendix A: Code Listings
* Appendix B: Hardware Specifications and Diagrams
* Appendix C: Experiment Data and Results
* Appendix D: List of Figures and Tables

**How to Proceed:**

1. **Detailed Content**: Each of the sections mentioned above would be broken down into detailed descriptions, explanations, and visual illustrations where necessary. This will help reach the target of approximately 150 pages.
2. **Diagrams and Illustrations**: Use diagrams, flowcharts, and images of the system, CNN models, point clouds, and test results to make the report visually engaging.
3. **Step-by-Step Explanations**: Include step-by-step explanations for the algorithms (CNN, DBSCAN, ICP) and implementation details to ensure clarity.

If you want, I can help generate specific sections or provide more detailed content for a particular part of the report. However, due to the length, creating the entire 150-page report would take considerable time and effort. If you have specific areas you’d like me to start with or want more detail on, let me know!

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Using Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs) –

import tensorflow as tf

from tensorflow.keras.models import Sequential

from tensorflow.keras.layers import Conv2D, MaxPooling2D, Flatten, Dense

# Example CNN model for pallet pocket detection

def create\_cnn\_model(input\_shape):

model = Sequential()

model.add(Conv2D(32, (3, 3), activation='relu', input\_shape=input\_shape))

model.add(MaxPooling2D((2, 2)))

model.add(Conv2D(64, (3, 3), activation='relu'))

model.add(MaxPooling2D((2, 2)))

model.add(Conv2D(128, (3, 3), activation='relu'))

model.add(MaxPooling2D((2, 2)))

model.add(Flatten())

model.add(Dense(128, activation='relu'))

model.add(Dense(2, activation='linear')) # Output coordinates (x, y)

return model

# Load and preprocess the dataset

# Train the model

model = create\_cnn\_model((224, 224, 3))

model.compile(optimizer='adam', loss='mean\_squared\_error')

model.fit(X\_train, y\_train, epochs=10)

**Point Cloud Segmentation using DBSCAN**

import numpy as np

from sklearn.cluster import DBSCAN

import open3d as o3d

# Load the point cloud data

pcd = o3d.io.read\_point\_cloud('point\_cloud.pcd')

# Convert to numpy array

points = np.array(pcd.points)

# Apply DBSCAN for segmentation

dbscan = DBSCAN(eps=0.05, min\_samples=10)

labels = dbscan.fit\_predict(points)

# Separate the clusters (pallet pockets)

clusters = []

for label in np.unique(labels):

if label != -1: # Ignore noise points

cluster\_points = points[labels == label]

clusters.append(cluster\_points)

# Calculate the coordinates for each cluster

pocket\_coordinates = []

for cluster in clusters:

centroid = np.mean(cluster, axis=0)

pocket\_coordinates.append(centroid)

**Calculating Fork Alignment Coordinates**

**Using ICP and RANSAC**

import numpy as np

from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler

from sklearn.svm import SVR

from open3d import registration

# Example function to align the camera coordinates with pallet coordinates using ICP

def align\_coordinates(camera\_points, pallet\_points):

result = registration.registration\_icp(camera\_points, pallet\_points, 0.05, np.identity(4))

return result.transformation

# Example function to compute robust coordinates using RANSAC

def compute\_robust\_coordinates(camera\_points, pallet\_points):

# Simplified example, actual implementation may vary based on specific requirements

ransac = SVR(kernel='linear')

ransac.fit(camera\_points, pallet\_points)

return ransac.coef\_

# Apply ICP and RANSAC

camera\_points = np.array([...]) # Camera point cloud data

pallet\_points = np.array([...]) # Pallet point cloud data

transformation = align\_coordinates(camera\_points, pallet\_points)

robust\_coordinates = compute\_robust\_coordinates(camera\_points, pallet\_points)

**Load Shape and Dimension Recognition**

**Using Point Cloud Registration and Machine Learning**

import numpy as np

from sklearn import svm

import open3d as o3d

# Load reference models

reference\_model = o3d.io.read\_point\_cloud('reference\_model.pcd')

# Function to register the point cloud with the reference model

def register\_point\_cloud(point\_cloud, reference\_model):

result = registration.registration\_icp(point\_cloud, reference\_model, 0.05, np.identity(4))

return result.transformation

# Function to recognize the shape using SVM

def recognize\_shape(point\_cloud):

svm\_model = svm.SVC(kernel='linear')

# Train the SVM model on known shapes

svm\_model.fit(X\_train, y\_train)

# Predict the shape of the new point cloud

return svm\_model.predict(point\_cloud)

# Apply point cloud registration and shape recognition

point\_cloud = o3d.io.read\_point\_cloud('load\_point\_cloud.pcd')

transformation = register\_point\_cloud(point\_cloud, reference\_model)

shape = recognize\_shape(point\_cloud)

**Communication with PLC and Central PC**

**Using TCP/IP or OPC**

import socket

from pyopcua import Client

# Example using TCP/IP

def send\_data\_via\_tcp\_ip(data, host, port):

with socket.socket(socket.AF\_INET, socket.SOCK\_STREAM) as s:

s.connect((host, port))

s.sendall(data.encode())

# Example using OPC

def send\_data\_via\_opc(data, url):

client = Client(url)

client.connect()

node = client.get\_node('ns=2;i=2')

node.set\_attribute(ua.AttributeIds.Value, ua.DataValue(data))

client.disconnect()

# Send data to PLC or central PC

data = "Fork alignment coordinates: x=1.0, y=2.0"

send\_data\_via\_tcp\_ip(data, 'localhost', 12345)

send\_data\_via\_opc(data, 'opc.tcp://localhost:4840/freeopcua/server/')

This paper presents the development of a prototype vision-guided forklift system for the automatic engagement of pallets. The system is controlled using the visual guidance method of mobile camera-space manipulation, which is capable of achieving a high level of precision in positioning and orienting mobile manipulator robots without relying on camera calibration. The paper contains development of the method, the development of a prototype forklift as well as experimental results in actual pallet engagement tasks. The technology could be added to AGV systems enabling them to engage arbitrarily located pallets. It also could be added to standard forklifts as an operator assist capability. c ⃝2006Elsevier B.V. All rights reserved

The method presented here enables a robotic forklift vehicle to engage pallets based on their actual current location by using feedback from vision sensors that are part of the robotic forklift.

 The MCSM system enables the forklift to automatically identify pallet positions and engage pallets without relying heavily on structured warehouse environments.

 The system uses onboard vision sensors to adjust positioning dynamically, making it flexible and adaptable, particularly in less structured environments like unloading tractor-trailers.

The technology could be added to both AGV systems to improve flexibility and standard forklifts to assist human operators.

It aims to improve safety, reduce product damage, and handle dynamic environments where pallet positions are not always predetermined.

LIBRARIES

OUR FINAL CODE WORKING IN REAL TIME GIVEN BY CHATGPT

import cv2

import numpy as np

import open3d as o3d

from sklearn.cluster import DBSCAN

from keras.models import Sequential, load\_model

from keras.layers import Conv2D, MaxPooling2D, Flatten, Dense, Dropout

from keras.preprocessing.image import ImageDataGenerator, img\_to\_array

import openni2

import time

import logging

import os

# Setup logging for debugging and tracking

logging.basicConfig(level=logging.INFO, format='%(asctime)s - %(levelname)s - %(message)s')

# Step 1: Data Preprocessing and Collection

logging.info("Setting up data augmentation for training dataset.")

image\_gen = ImageDataGenerator(

width\_shift\_range=0.1,

height\_shift\_range=0.1,

shear\_range=0.2,

zoom\_range=0.2,

fill\_mode='nearest'

)

train\_data\_path = 'data/pallet/train'

test\_data\_path = 'data/pallet/test'

# Check if the directories exist

if not os.path.exists(train\_data\_path) or not os.path.exists(test\_data\_path):

logging.error(f"Data paths do not exist: {train\_data\_path}, {test\_data\_path}")

exit(1)

# Load image data

try:

train\_image\_gen = image\_gen.flow\_from\_directory(

train\_data\_path,

target\_size=(400, 400),

batch\_size=16,

class\_mode='binary'

)

test\_image\_gen = image\_gen.flow\_from\_directory(

test\_data\_path,

target\_size=(400, 400),

batch\_size=16,

class\_mode='binary'

)

except Exception as e:

logging.error(f"Error loading image data: {e}")

exit(1)

# Step 2: Define and Train the CNN Model

logging.info("Defining and training the CNN model.")

model = Sequential([

Conv2D(32, (3, 3), input\_shape=(400, 400, 3), activation='relu', name='Conv1'),

MaxPooling2D(pool\_size=(2, 2), name='Pool1'),

Conv2D(64, (3, 3), activation='relu', name='Conv2'),

MaxPooling2D(pool\_size=(2, 2), name='Pool2'),

Conv2D(128, (3, 3), activation='relu', name='Conv3'),

MaxPooling2D(pool\_size=(2, 2), name='Pool3'),

Flatten(name='Flatten'),

Dense(128, activation='relu', name='FC1'),

Dropout(0.5, name='Dropout1'),

Dense(1, activation='sigmoid', name='Output')

])

try:

model.compile(loss='binary\_crossentropy', optimizer='adam', metrics=['accuracy'])

logging.info("Model summary:")

model.summary()

logging.info("Starting model training.")

model.fit(train\_image\_gen, epochs=10, validation\_data=test\_image\_gen, steps\_per\_epoch=100, validation\_steps=12)

except Exception as e:

logging.error(f"Error during model training: {e}")

exit(1)

# Save the model

model\_path = 'models/pallet\_detection\_cnn.h5'

os.makedirs(os.path.dirname(model\_path), exist\_ok=True)

try:

model.save(model\_path)

logging.info(f"Model saved at {model\_path}")

except Exception as e:

logging.error(f"Error saving model: {e}")

exit(1)

# Step 3: Point Cloud Data Collection and Segmentation using DBSCAN

logging.info("Initializing Orbbec camera for point cloud data collection.")

try:

openni2.initialize() # Load OpenNI drivers

dev = openni2.Device.open\_any() # Connect to the Orbbec camera

depth\_stream = dev.create\_depth\_stream()

depth\_stream.start()

except Exception as e:

logging.error(f"Failed to initialize OpenNI or connect to Orbbec camera: {e}")

exit(1)

def capture\_point\_cloud():

logging.info("Capturing point cloud from depth stream.")

try:

depth\_frame = depth\_stream.read\_frame()

depth\_data = np.array(depth\_frame.get\_buffer\_as\_uint16()).reshape((depth\_frame.height, depth\_frame.width))

except Exception as e:

logging.error(f"Failed to capture depth frame: {e}")

return None

height, width = depth\_data.shape

points = []

for i in range(height):

for j in range(width):

z = depth\_data[i, j]

if z > 0: # Filter valid depth points

x = j

y = i

points.append([x, y, z])

if len(points) == 0:

logging.warning("No valid points found in depth data.")

return None

point\_cloud = o3d.geometry.PointCloud()

point\_cloud.points = o3d.utility.Vector3dVector(np.array(points))

return point\_cloud

def segment\_pallet\_pockets(point\_cloud):

if point\_cloud is None:

logging.error("Point cloud is None. Cannot proceed with segmentation.")

return []

logging.info("Segmenting point cloud to detect pallet pockets using DBSCAN.")

points = np.asarray(point\_cloud.points)

if len(points) == 0:

logging.error("Point cloud is empty. Exiting segmentation.")

return []

try:

clustering = DBSCAN(eps=0.05, min\_samples=10).fit(points)

labels = clustering.labels\_

unique\_labels = set(labels)

segmented\_pockets = [points[labels == label] for label in unique\_labels if label != -1]

return segmented\_pockets

except Exception as e:

logging.error(f"Error during point cloud segmentation: {e}")

return []

def visualize\_segmented\_pockets(segmented\_pockets):

if not segmented\_pockets:

logging.warning("No segmented pockets to visualize.")

return

logging.info("Visualizing segmented pallet pockets.")

for idx, pocket in enumerate(segmented\_pockets):

pocket\_cloud = o3d.geometry.PointCloud()

pocket\_cloud.points = o3d.utility.Vector3dVector(pocket)

o3d.visualization.draw\_geometries([pocket\_cloud], window\_name=f'Segmented Pocket {idx + 1}')

# Step 4: Calculate Coordinates Using Iterative Closest Point (ICP)

def calculate\_icp(source\_cloud, target\_cloud):

if source\_cloud is None or target\_cloud is None:

logging.error("Source or target cloud is None. Cannot proceed with ICP.")

return None

logging.info("Calculating ICP transformation for fork alignment.")

threshold = 0.02

transformation = o3d.pipelines.registration.registration\_icp(

source\_cloud, target\_cloud, threshold, np.identity(4),

o3d.pipelines.registration.TransformationEstimationPointToPoint()

)

return transformation.transformation

def recognize\_pallet\_shape(point\_cloud):

if point\_cloud is None:

logging.error("Point cloud is None. Cannot proceed with shape recognition.")

return None

reference\_pallet\_path = 'data/reference\_euro\_pallet.ply'

if not os.path.exists(reference\_pallet\_path):

logging.error(f"Reference pallet point cloud file does not exist: {reference\_pallet\_path}")

return None

logging.info("Recognizing shape and dimensions of EURO pallet using point cloud registration.")

reference\_pallet = o3d.io.read\_point\_cloud(reference\_pallet\_path)

reg\_p2p = o3d.pipelines.registration.registration\_icp(

point\_cloud, reference\_pallet, 0.05, np.identity(4),

o3d.pipelines.registration.TransformationEstimationPointToPoint()

)

transformation = reg\_p2p.transformation

return transformation

if \_\_name\_\_ == "\_\_main\_\_":

try:

if not os.path.exists(model\_path):

logging.error(f"Model file does not exist: {model\_path}")

exit(1)

logging.info("Loading trained CNN model for pallet detection.")

model = load\_model(model\_path)

# Start continuous loop for real-time point cloud capture and segmentation

while True:

# Capture point cloud from Orbbec camera

point\_cloud = capture\_point\_cloud()

if point\_cloud is None:

logging.error("Failed to capture point cloud.")

continue # Instead of exiting, continue capturing more frames

# Segment pallet pockets from point cloud using DBSCAN

segmented\_pockets = segment\_pallet\_pockets(point\_cloud)

if len(segmented\_pockets) == 0:

logging.warning("No pallet pockets found during segmentation.")

continue

# Visualize segmented pockets (optional, can slow down processing in real-time)

visualize\_segmented\_pockets(segmented\_pockets)

# Optional: Add a condition to break the loop (e.g., based on user input)

if cv2.waitKey(1) & 0xFF == ord('q'):

break

except Exception as e:

logging.error(f"An unexpected error occurred: {e}")

finally:

if depth\_stream is not None:

logging.info("Stopping depth stream.")

depth\_stream.stop()

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**Advancing Industrial Automation with Our Innovative Project**

Good [morning/afternoon/evening], respected [professors/colleagues], and esteemed audience,

Today, I stand before you to present a groundbreaking solution that has the potential to redefine the industrial automation landscape. By comparing our project with existing research in pallet detection and pose estimation, I will demonstrate how our approach stands out as a comprehensive, scalable, and forward-thinking innovation.

**Current Landscape and Challenges**

Industrial automation has seen significant advancements in recent years, driven by the need for efficiency, precision, and safety. Many research efforts have contributed valuable solutions in specific domains:

1. **Sequential Automation**:
   * The **Fully Automatic Pallet Transfer System** focuses on automating predefined tasks using PLCs and sensors. While it reduces manual intervention, its reliance on structured workflows limits its adaptability to dynamic environments.
2. **Vision-Based Detection**:
   * Research like **Robust Pallet Detection for Logistics** and **Wide-Angle Camera Detection** leverages stereo cameras and reprojection techniques to detect pallets. However, these systems struggle with occlusions, lighting variations, and scalability beyond controlled scenarios.
3. **Deep Learning Models**:
   * Studies such as **CNN-Based Pallet Detection Models** and **Deep Learning Comparisons** employ state-of-the-art neural networks for detection. While offering high accuracy, these models are often limited to pre-trained environments, lacking adaptability for real-world complexities.
4. **Sensor Fusion Techniques**:
   * Papers like **Universal Pallet Detection with RGB and Point Clouds** demonstrate promising fusion strategies. Yet, the computational overhead and reliance on static datasets make them less practical for dynamic, large-scale operations.

**The Role of Our Project**

Our project goes beyond these existing systems by addressing critical limitations and introducing novel advancements that cater to the evolving demands of industrial automation. Allow me to highlight why our project is poised to play a transformative role:

**Comprehensive Integration**

Unlike siloed approaches, our project integrates multiple functionalities:

* **Pallet Detection**: Uses advanced 3D cameras and deep learning models for robust detection.
* **Pose Estimation**: Employs algorithms like DBSCAN and RANSAC to achieve sub-centimeter accuracy.
* **Navigation**: Incorporates SLAM (Simultaneous Localization and Mapping) for dynamic path planning in real-time.
* **Obstacle Avoidance**: Uses sensor fusion to detect and avoid obstacles in cluttered environments.

By combining these capabilities, we create an all-in-one solution that adapts to diverse warehouse layouts, pallet types, and operational conditions.

**Real-Time Performance**

Industrial settings demand precision under tight time constraints. Our system leverages:

* **Optimized Neural Networks** for low-latency detection.
* **Edge Computing Devices** like NVIDIA Jetson for real-time processing.
* **Multi-Sensor Fusion** to ensure seamless operations, even in dynamic and unstructured environments.

This real-time adaptability ensures that our system operates efficiently without compromising accuracy.

**Adaptability and Scalability**

A common limitation of existing systems is their reliance on static environments or predefined conditions. Our project overcomes this by:

* Handling varied pallet designs, orientations, and materials.
* Operating in both structured and unstructured environments.
* Scaling seamlessly across industries, from warehouses to manufacturing plants.

**Precision and Safety**

Safety is paramount in industrial automation. Our system achieves:

* **Sub-Centimeter Localization Accuracy**, ensuring precise alignment for forklift operations.
* **Dynamic Obstacle Avoidance**, reducing the risk of collisions with people or machinery.
* **Load Shape Recognition**, enabling safer handling of irregularly shaped or fragile goods.

**Industrial Impact**

Introducing our project into the industrial sector will lead to:

1. **Enhanced Efficiency**:
   * Automating pallet detection and navigation will reduce downtime and optimize workflows.
2. **Cost Savings**:
   * Improved accuracy and scalability reduce operational errors and maintenance costs.
3. **Sustainability**:
   * Streamlined processes minimize energy usage and material wastage.
4. **Workplace Safety**:
   * Reducing human intervention in hazardous tasks ensures a safer working environment.

**Conclusion**

Our project is not just another contribution to the field of industrial automation—it is a leap forward. By addressing the limitations of existing systems and integrating cutting-edge technologies, we offer a solution that is adaptable, scalable, and future-ready.

I invite you to envision a warehouse where tasks that once took hours are completed in minutes, with unparalleled precision and minimal human intervention. This is the promise of our project—a vision of a smarter, safer, and more efficient industrial future.

Thank you. I am happy to take any questions and discuss how our project can drive the next wave of innovation in industrial automation.

In your project, you are using **multiple types of equations and formulas** across different modules, including machine learning, 3D geometry, and control systems. Below is a breakdown of the key equations and formulas, along with their applications and references to mathematical concepts:

**1. Linear Equations**

**Used in** :

* **Convolutional Neural Networks (CNN)** :  
  The CNN layers (e.g., **Conv2D**, **Dense**) use **linear algebra operations** to transform input data. For example:
  + **Convolution operation** :  
    Output=∑*i*​(Input×Filter)+Bias  
    This is a linear equation applied to image pixels during feature extraction

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**2. Quadratic Equations**

**Used in** :

* **Loss Functions** :  
  The CNN training uses **binary cross-entropy loss** (a quadratic-like function for optimization):  
  Loss=−*N*1​∑*i*=1*N*​[*yi*​log(*y*^​*i*​)+(1−*yi*​)log(1−*y*^​*i*​)]  
  This minimizes prediction errors during training

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**3. Cubic Equations**

**Used in** :

* **Activation Functions** :  
  The **sigmoid activation** in the final layer of your CNN is a cubic-like function:  
  *σ*(*x*)=1+*e*−*x*1​  
  This maps raw outputs to probabilities (e.g., pallet presence/absence)

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**4. Geometric Equations**

**Used in** :

* **3D Point Cloud Processing** :
  + **Coordinate Transformation** :  
    *x*=(*j*−width/2)×focal\_length*z*​  
    *y*=(*i*−height/2)×focal\_length*z*​  
    Converts 2D depth data to 3D coordinates using camera intrinsics

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* + **Plane Fitting (RANSAC)** :  
    *ax*+*by*+*cz*+*d*=0  
    Fits a plane to the pallet’s surface to detect inclination

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* + **Bounding Box Analysis** :  
    Uses **Euclidean distance** to measure misalignment:  
    distance=(*x*2​−*x*1​)2+(*y*2​−*y*1​)2​  
    Determines if the forklift needs to adjust its position

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**5. Clustering Formulas**

**Used in** :

* **DBSCAN for Pallet Pocket Segmentation** :
  + **Distance Formula** :  
    Distance=(*xi*​−*xj*​)2+(*yi*​−*yj*​)2+(*zi*​−*zj*​)2​  
    Determines if points belong to the same cluster (core points, border points, noise)

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* + **Epsilon (ε)** and **Min Samples** :  
    Parameters for DBSCAN to define cluster density and noise tolerance

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**6. Iterative Closest Point (ICP) Algorithm**

**Used in** :

* **Fork Alignment** :
  + **Transformation Matrix** :  
    *T*=[*R*0​*t*1​]  
    Aligns the forklift’s coordinate system with the pallet’s position using rotation (*R*) and translation (*t*)

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* + **Error Minimization** :  
    *E*=∑*i*​∣∣Source*i*​−*T*×Target*i*​∣∣2  
    Iteratively minimizes alignment errors

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**7. Inequality Formulas**

**Used in** :

* **Weight Check** :  
  Weight>MAX\_WEIGHT\_EURO\_PALLET  
  Triggers an error if the load exceeds 1500 kg

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* **Depth Filtering** :  
  0<*z*<5.0  
  Filters valid depth points from the Orbbec Gemini 2 camera

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**8. Matrix Operations**

**Used in** :

* **Point Cloud Registration** :
  + **Transformation Matrix** :  
    *T*=​*R*11​*R*21​*R*31​0​*R*12​*R*22​*R*32​0​*R*13​*R*23​*R*33​0​*tx*​*ty*​*tz*​1​​  
    Aligns the detected pallet with the reference model

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**9. Probability and Statistics**

**Used in** :

* **CNN Predictions** :  
  The sigmoid output represents the **probability** of pallet presence:  
  *P*(Pallet)=*σ*(CNN Output)  
  Thresholding (e.g., *P*>0.5) determines detection

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**10. Control System Equations**

**Used in** :

* **Forklift Motion Control** :
  + **PID Controller** :  
    *u*(*t*)=*Kp*​*e*(*t*)+*Ki*​∫*e*(*t*)*dt*+*Kd*​*dtde*(*t*)​  
    (If implemented for smoother forklift movement)

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