Real-Time Egg Detection Using Edge Computer Vision

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Introduction

- Small farms/producers need to modernise/digitise processes.
- One such process: Egg counting.
- Egg counting could benefit from a technological solution.
- We attempted to:
 - Automate the egg counting process.
 - Retrofit legacy machinery with a smart counting device.
 - Cost optimisation.
- With the above attempt:
 - Optimised operations & allocation of labor.



Motivation / Challenge

- Manual operation of egg counting machines consumes resources.
- Automate the above:
 - Smart retrofitting the machine using computer vision.





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Previous / Related work

Egg counting

- M. Ulaszewski, R. Janowski, and A. Janowski, "Application of computer vision to egg detection on a production line in real time." ELCVIA Electronic Letters on Computer Vision and Image Analysis, vol. 20
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Egg defect detection

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Method	Real	Lost eggs	Multiple	False	Not	Detection
	number		detected	positives	detected	Effectiveness
	of eggs		eggs		eggs	
SSD-	335	1	18	0	0	94.33%
Mobilenetv2						
FR-CNN	335	0	5	0	0	98.51%
YOLOv3	335	0	4	0	0	98.81%
Template	335	41	15	0	31	74.03%
matching						



Methodology

- Acquire images (2226 egg images)
- Train egg detection deep learning model
 - Computer vision to detect eggs being fed to a counting/sorting machine.
- On top of the model detections, apply tracking algorithm.
 - Our choice: Centroid tracking
- Using tracking results, count using region-of-interest.
 - Use unique identification of eggs to count each one only once.
- Auto-calibration method that enhances automation.



Riva Selegg s21 grader: Video





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Region-of-Interest Counting





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Automatic Calibration

- How do we know which regions map to each egg grade?
- Calibration
 - Get tracked detections across many frames.
 - DBSCAN clustering to get densest locations.
 - Process results and use Hough transform to get regions.





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Automatic Calibration





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Demo video





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Experiments and Results

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EfficientDet	RPi5	2	26	32	0
EfficientDet	RPi4	2	26	24	0
YOL O	Deskton	0	26	32	0
YOLO	RPi5	2	12	12	0
YOLO	RPi4	4	5	7	0

video:grading_2	Ground Truth	2	64	51	0
		XL	L	м	S
EfficientDet	Desktop	2	64	51	0
EfficientDet	RPi5	2	64	51	0
EfficientDet	RPi4	5	50	38	0
YOLO	Desktop	2	64	51	0
YOLO	RPi5	2	14	26	0
YOLO	RPi4	5	5	20	0

video:grading_3	Ground Truth	0	19	11	0
		XL	L	M	S
EfficientDet	Desktop	0	19	11	0
EfficientDet	RPi5	0	19	11	0
EfficientDet	RPi4	4	10	9	0
YOLO	Desktop	0	19	11	0
YOLO	RPi5	0	5	6	0
YOLO	RPi4	1	2	4	0





Ground Truth Counts EfficientDet lite-0 YOLOv8n



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Future work

- Generalise our tool
 - Make it suitable for several machine types.

- Extending evaluation process.
 - More diverse environments (lights, shadows, occlusions, etc.)

- More test samples.
 - To get a clearer view of the system's accuracy.





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Questions?



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