



Knot too Tight, Knot too Loose

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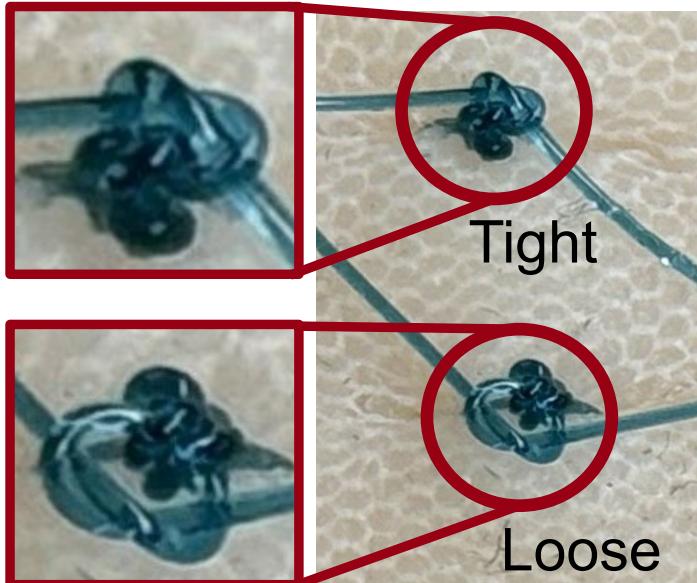
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Getting up to Speed



- **Need:** System to train students on the correct tension needed for a secure suture knot
- **Current project state:** Machine learning model created on TensorFlow
 - Accuracy and precision $\geq 80\%$ [1]
 - F1-Score ≥ 0.8

** RoboFlow model does not integrate well with further development systems.

Figure 1: Comparison of tight and loose square knots.

Big Picture Tasks

Model Refinement

- K-Fold Cross Validation
- Image Augmentation

Creation of Physical Training Module

- Raspberry Pi Implementation
- Camera & Board Selection
- Add Accessories



Model Refinement to Expand Limited Database



Stratified K-Fold Cross Validation

Pros:

- Efficient data usage
- Prevents overfitting
- Robust evaluation
- Maintains the same class distributions

Cons:

- High computational cost

$K=5$

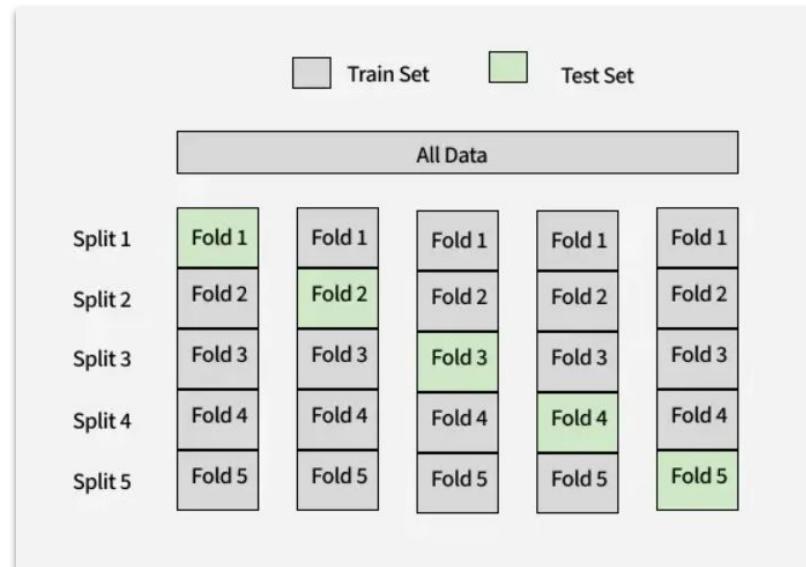


Figure 2: K-fold cross validation schematic [2].

Image Augmentation

Preprocessed
Images



Figure 3: Augmented images of a knot [3].

Flip



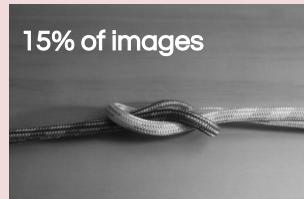
Rotation



Shear



Grayscale



Saturation



Hue



Augmented Images
304 Images \rightarrow 730 Images



Model Testing within Jupyter notebook

Performance Testing:

Goal: Collect metrics on the augmented model's performance

Process:

1. Run the model
2. Collect metrics:
 - F1 score
 - Accuracy
 - Recall/Sensitivity
 - Precision

Stress Testing:

Goal: Evaluate the model's success classifying blurry, low light, and rotated images.

Process:

1. Run the model on a set of 10 images from each category
2. Record the models' prediction accuracy for each set

Latency Testing:

Goal: Measure the runtime from image input until model classification output

Process:

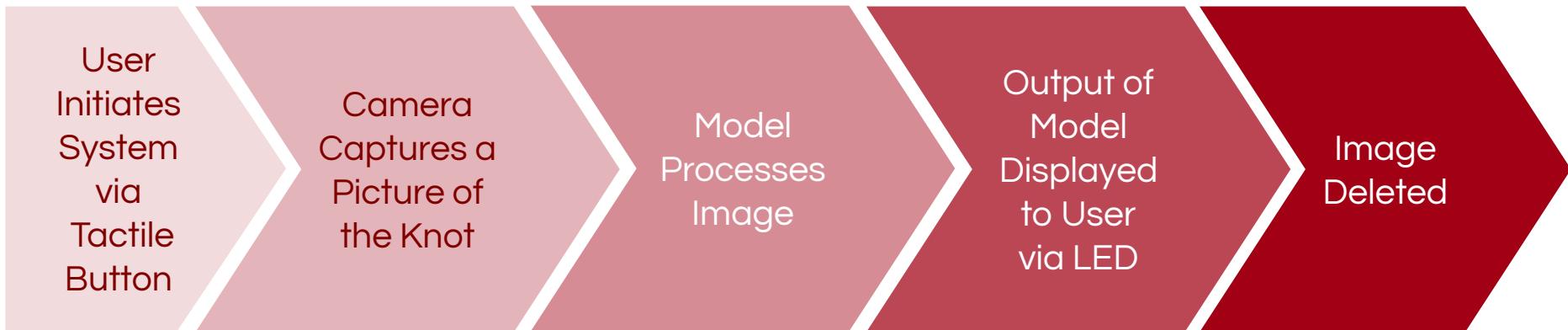
1. Run the model on a set of 10 images
2. Measure the code start time until code output using a stopwatch



Raspberry Pi Implementation



System Workflow: From Data Input to Results



Green for tight knot
Red for loose knot

Micro SD card



Figure 4: SD card for storage (32G) [4].

USB-C Power Supply

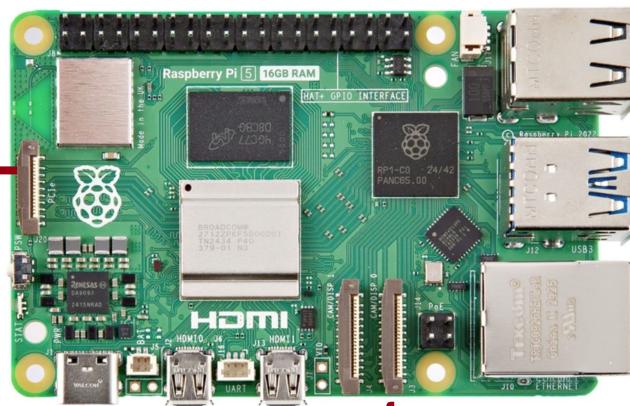


Micro HDMI to HDMI cord



Hardware

Raspberry Pi 5



Active Cooler



Figure 9: Fan for Raspberry Pi [8].

Camera

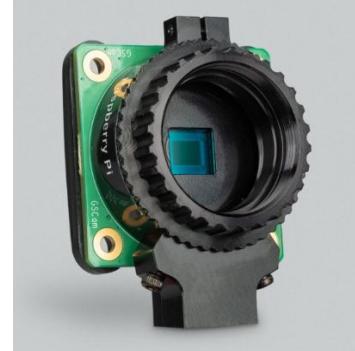


Figure 8: HQ camera [7].

Figures 6 and 7 : Raspberry Pi board and HDMI cord to join Pi with monitor [6].



Raspberry Pi HQ Camera for Image Collection

Features:

- Interchangeable lens
- Can capture fine details well
- Higher processing latency - in Raspberry Pi board
- Tensorflow fully supported
- 12.3 MP Sensor → high resolution



Figure 11: HQ camera [7].

Raspberry Pi Module 5 Board for Model Hosting

Features:

- Wifi
- Bluetooth 5.0
- 2 USB 3.0 ports
- 2 USB 2.0 ports
- Ethernet
- 4 Lane MIPI camera transceivers
- DC power via USB-C
- 40 pin header
- Power button
- Faster and greater computing capabilities compared to the Pi 4b

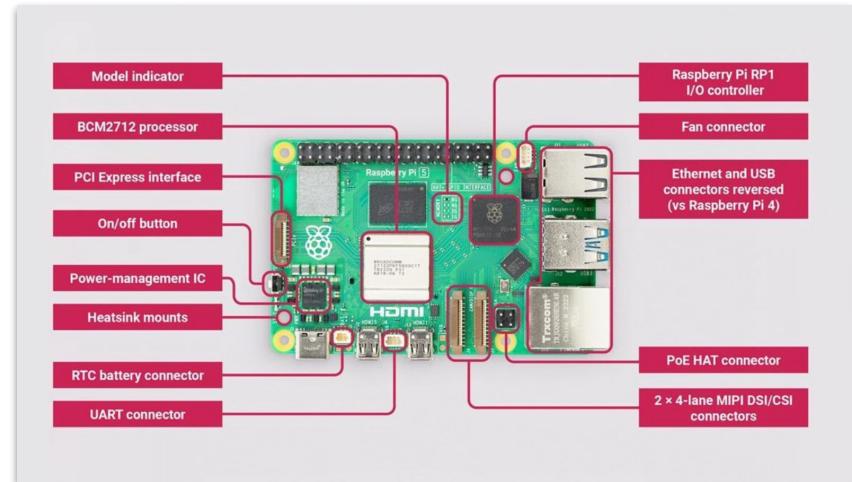


Figure 12: Raspberry Pi 5 Board [6].

Component Verification Testing

LED Testing

Goal: Verify that the LEDs activate at the correct times to accurately reflect the system's current state

Process:

1. Induce tight, loose, and processing model inputs
2. Identify LED reflects model's decision

Button Testing

Goal: Confirm that pressing the button triggers the camera to capture an image

Process:

1. Click button 25 times
2. After each click, check that a picture is taken

Camera Focus Testing

Goal: Explore camera focus behavior to ensure sharp images for ML accuracy

Process:

1. Establish focus ranges
2. Take an image at consistent distances
3. Evaluate sharpness using Laplacian filter



Full System Testing

Field Testing:

Goal: Validate the system fits and operates within the space constraints of the lab

Process:

1. Place Pi system into the lab space
2. Confirm the system is securely mounted
3. Check camera FOV and lighting
4. Enable power system from location

Latency Testing:

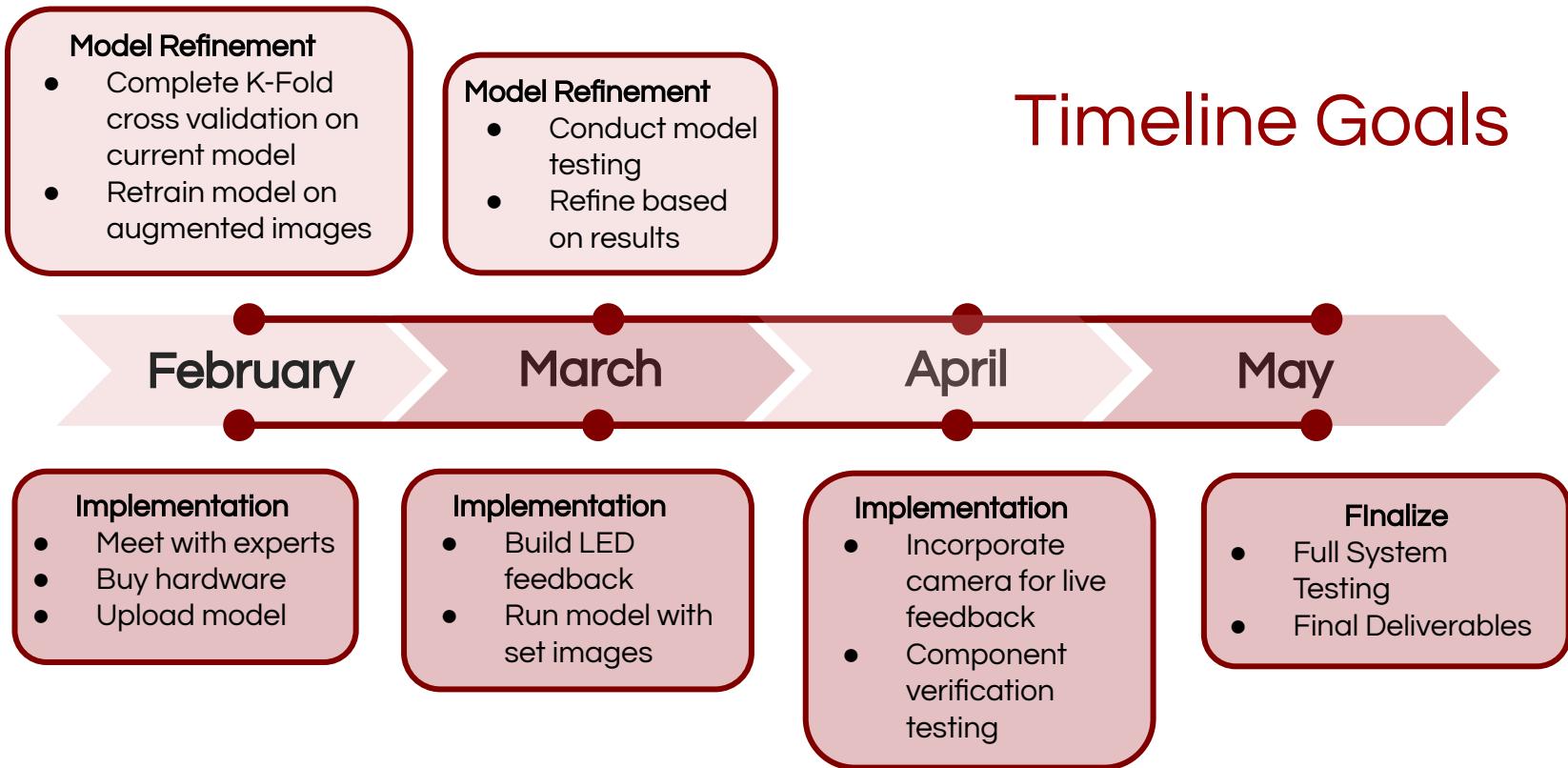
Goal: Measure the latency of the system from button → ML output.

Process:

1. Press the button on the fully assembled system and start timer
2. Wait for LED output to stop the timer



Timeline Goals



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