

TEAM B3: FARMFRESH

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Introducing FarmFresh!

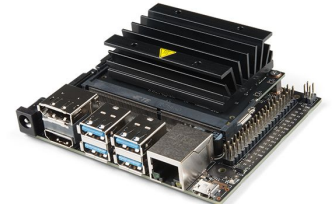
What is FarmFresh?

- > An AI tool to sort fruits based on freshness and, most importantly, separate rotten fruit from fresh fruit.
- > Meant to be integrated into existing conveyor belt system



ECE Areas

- > Software: ML, Computer Vision
- > Hardware/Embedded: Jetson Nano, Raspberry Pi





Problem Area & Existing Solutions

Problem Area

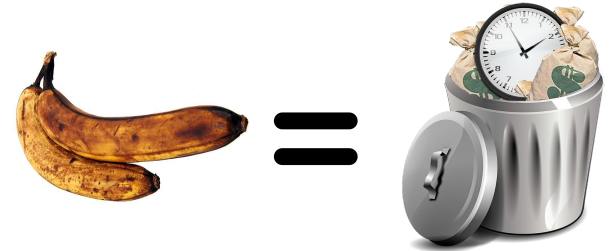
- > Millions of \$\$ wasted yearly packaging and transporting rotten fruit
- > Manual labor and time of farmers separating rotten fruit.

Existing Solution

- > TOMRA has multiple machine for sorting foods
- > Usually very expensive (\$ 10,000 - \$ 25,000)
- > Not feasible on small scale, which is our target market.

Our Solution

- > Cheaper
- > Multi-fruit



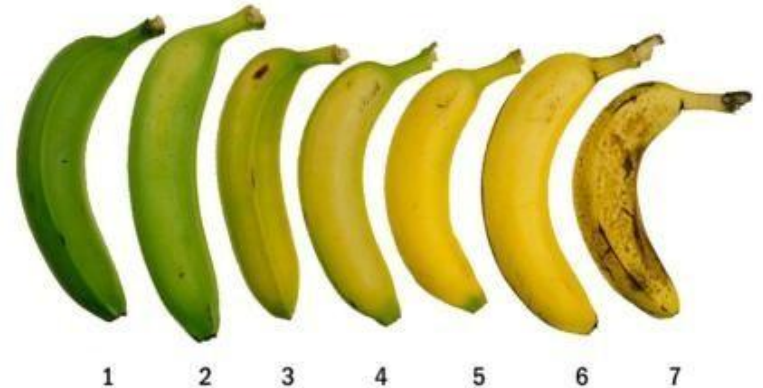
Blizzard sorting machine by TOMRA



User Requirements

- Save time and money by automating fruit sorting based on ripeness
- Want it to work for multiple fruits
- Want to avoid false negatives
 - Aim for [~95% accuracy](#)
- False positives not so bad
 - Aim for ~85% accuracy
- Battery should last working hours
 - 9 am - 5 pm
 - 6600 mAh Li-on battery

BANANA RIPENESS CHART





Technical Requirements

- Typical commercial conveyor belt can be configured to move at 5 cm/s.
 - 3 s for execution time -> 15 cm movement
 - We essentially abstract this away as stationary
- ~20 cm banana. Bananas are spaced at least 20 cm \pm 5 cm.
 - Take picture every 4 s to guarantee not missing banana.



[Hytrol Incline Slider-bed Belt Conveyor Model TA - 24"W X 29'L](#)

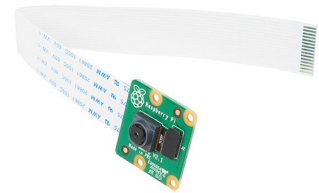
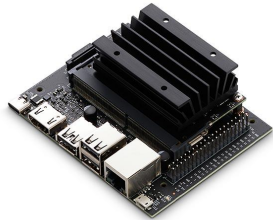


Technical Challenges

- Ensuring our algorithm and physical setup will work for multiple fruits: bananas, apples, and oranges
 - Handle variation in fruit lengths and take pictures with right period to avoid missing fruits.
- Developing algorithms for sorting fruits into 3 categories, unripe, ripe, and rotten.
 - Need to ensure good image segmentation for this.
 - Lighting and background
- Ensuring false negatives $< 15\%$ and false positives $< 5\%$.
- Coordinating cameras and linear actuators (pistons) through the RPi.
- Building the framework that holds the cameras and the pistons.
- Ensuring all parts of the fruit are captured

Solution Approach

- Hardware platforms: Raspberry Pi, NVIDIA Jetson Nano 2GB
- 2 Raspberry Pi cameras V2
- 2 linear actuators for the pistons
- Dataset: Google images, manual pictures
- Libraries: Scikit-image, OpenCV
- 6600 mAh Li-on battery

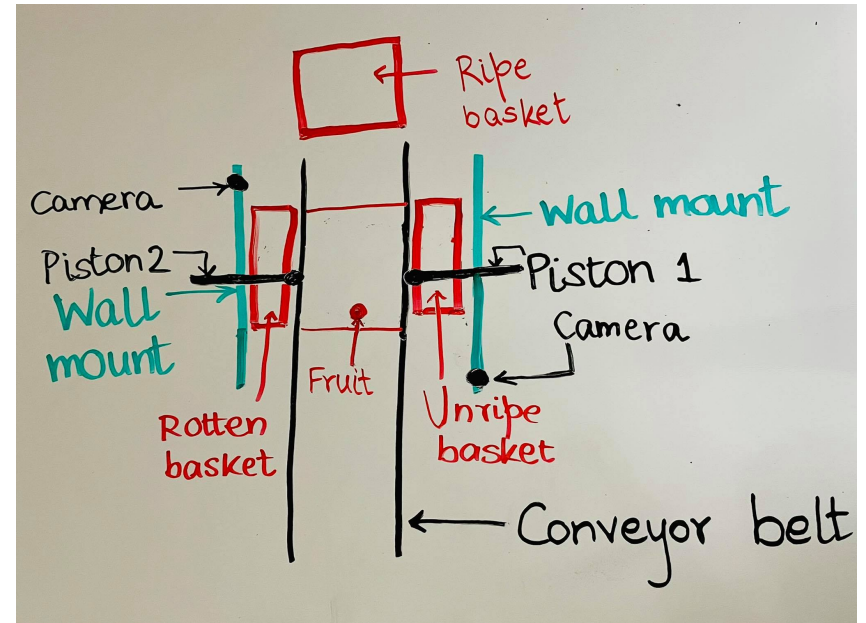


Solution Approach

Preliminary design:

- 2 wall mounts on either side of the conveyor belt
- 2 cameras, one on each wall mount, diagonally across from each other
- 2 pistons, one in each wall mount
- 3 baskets for collecting the unripe, ripe, and rotten fruits respectively

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Testing, Verification, and Metrics

Requirements	Metrics	Verification
Easy to install	Should work with existing belt infrastructure	Test with a stationary ramp.
Meet the conveyor belt speed	Be able to take picture every 4 s, and process data and fire actuators within 3 s.	Simulate the process by putting new fruits quickly. No deadline should be missed.
Accuracy	False Negatives < 5% False Positives < 15%	Run a test with 50 fruits. Should meet classification metrics.
Battery life	Battery should last 8 hours (typical working day)	Run the setup (camera + actuators) until battery runs out.
Fruit spacing	Handle fruits spaced at a distance of 20 cm \pm 5 cm.	Test the extremes (25 cm and 15 cm). No deadlines should be missed.
No fruit should be missed	No fruit should be missed	Perform a stress test with 50 fruits.



Tasks and Division of Labor

Ishita Kumar

- Image segmentation
- Object classification
- Rotten fruit classification
- Train and test models
- Raspberry Pi + camera
- Building the physical setup

Ishita Sinha

- Color analysis by pixels
- Rotten fruit classification
- Train and test models
- Programming Jetson Nano
- Raspberry Pi + piston
- Building the physical setup

Kushagra Sharma

- Programming Jetson Nano
- Raspberry Pi + camera
- Raspberry Pi + piston
- Building the physical setup



Schedule

FarmFresh		Ishita K.	Ishita K. + Ishita S.	Everyone	February														March														April														May
		Ishita S.	Ishita S. + Kush		M	W	F	M	W	F	M	W	F	M	W	F	M	W	F	M	W	F	M	W	F	M	W	F	M	W	F	M	W	F	U												
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Tasks	Due Date	Start	End	Team Member	Status																																										
4 Phase 4: Final Product																																															
4.1	Update model to include apples			Ishita K. + Ishita S.																																											
4.2	Test for apples			Everyone																																											
4.3	Fix issues post test for apples			Everyone																																											
4.4	Update model to include oranges			Ishita K. + Ishita S.																																											
4.5	Test for oranges			Everyone																																											
4.6	Fix issues post test for oranges			Everyone																																											
4.7	Final all-inclusive test #1			Everyone																																											
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4.9	Final all-inclusive test #2			Everyone																																											
4.10	Fix issues post final all-inclusive test #2			Everyone																																											
5 Phase 5: Final Report																																															
5.1	Record video			Everyone																																											
5.2	Edit video			Everyone																																											
5.3	Final report			Everyone																																											
5.4	Final presentation	05/02		Everyone																																											