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Sorting my socks with AWS DeepLens

Can I arrange my sock drawer using machine learning?

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Pairing socks with ML

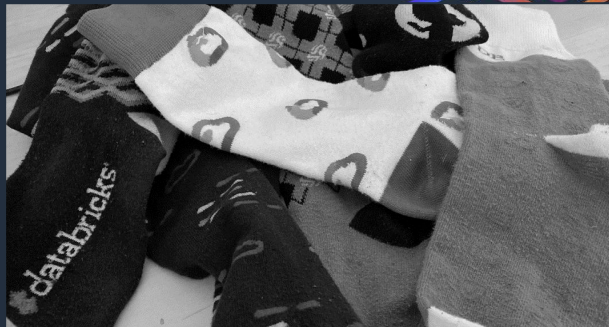
Can I arrange my sock drawer with transfer learning to build a custom sock image classification model?



github.com/saubury/socksort



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Why?



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Events are everywhere

Event-driven architecture is an architecture paradigm promoting the production, detection, consumption of and reaction to events.

Object detection is a stream of events

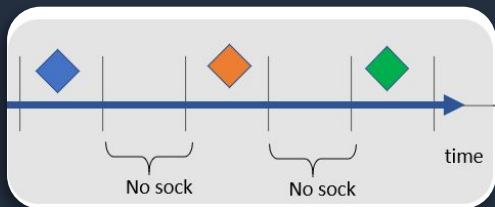




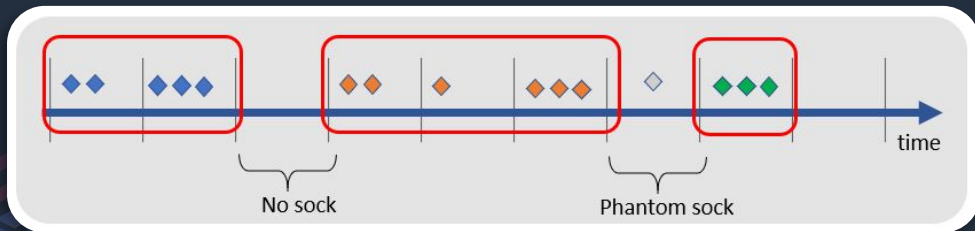
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Events are very messy

What I think
will happen



What actually
happens



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Let's start at the finish

- Hold a sock in front of camera
- Classification for each frame
 - Messages written to MQTT
 - Messages transported to Kafka
- Stream processing on Kafka
- Socks are matched



Running Science : 76 %



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Deep learning video camera AWS DeepLens

AWS DeepLens Hardware

- A “deep-learning enabled video camera”.
 - 4MP video camera
 - Intel Atom Processor
 - 8GB RAM
 - Runs Ubuntu
- Plenty of hardware to help sort my socks.



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Many photos of socks

Supervised learning image classification

- Requires training data
- Prepare a set of training images
- I need to take a lot of photos of socks



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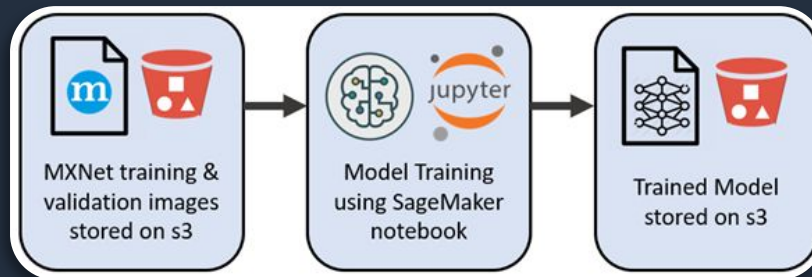


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Model Training

Image classification of socks using transfer learning mode.

- Use AWS Sagemaker image classification algorithm in transfer learning
- Deploy a temporary classifier to test the inference function
- Test a few demonstration images can be correctly classified

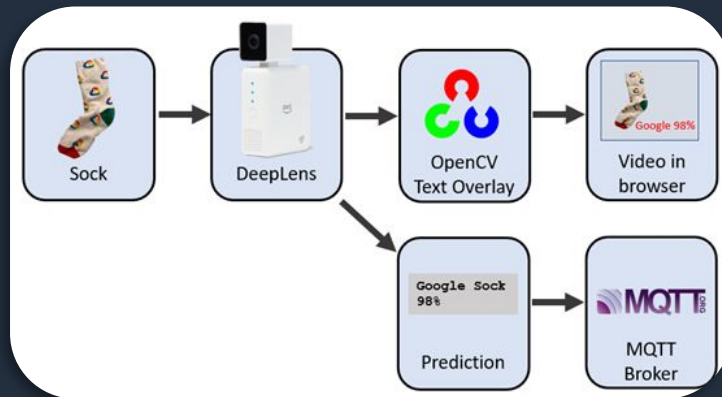




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Inference Lambda Function – on the DeepLens

- Run all images captured by the camera through the classification model.
 - Review a live camera feed within a web-browser
 - OpenCV adds text overlaid on the image.
- Write to a MQTT topic



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Inference Lambda Function

```
while doInfer:
    # Get a frame from the video stream
    ret, frame = awscam.getLastFrame()
    # Raise an exception if failing to get a frame
    if ret == False:
        raise Exception("Failed to get frame from the stream")

    # Resize frame to fit model input requirement
    frameResize = cv2.resize(frame, (input_width, input_height))

    # Run model inference on the resized frame
    inferOutput = model.doInference(frameResize)

    # Output inference result to the fifo file so it can be viewed with mplayer
    parsed_results = model.parseResult(model_type, inferOutput)
    top_k = parsed_results[model_type][0:topk]

    sock_label = labels[top_k[0]["label"]]
    sock_prob = top_k[0]["prob"]*100

    # Write to MQTT
    json_payload = {"image" : sock_label, "probability" : sock_prob}
    client.publish(topic=iot_topic, payload=json.dumps(json_payload))

    # Write to image buffer; screen display
    msg_screen = '{} {:.0f}%'.format(sock_label, sock_prob)
    cv2.putText(frame, msg_screen, (20,200), cv2.FONT_HERSHEY_SIMPLEX, 5, (0, 0, 255), 12)
    local_display.set_frame_data(frame)
```



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What is MQTT?

- MQTT is lightweight TCP/IP protocol
 - Small footprint
 - Low power
- MQTT acts more like a key/value store

```
mosquitto_sub -h ${MQTT_HOST} -p ${MQTT_PORT} -u ${MQTT_USER} -P  
${MQTT_PASS} -t sockfound
```

```
{"image": "Blank", "probability": 37.59765625}  
{"image": "Blank", "probability": 41.162109375}  
{"image": "Google", "probability": 97.314453125}  
{"image": "Google", "probability": 94.970703125}  
{"image": "Google", "probability": 64.6484375}  
{"image": "Blank", "probability": 67.3828125}  
{"image": "Blank", "probability": 50.634765625}
```



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Kafka, Kafka Connect &

ksqlDB

Kafka is a distributed streaming platform

- Kafka – platform for handling real-time data
- Kafka Connect – framework for streaming data between Kafka and other data systems
- ksqlDB – build real-time systems with SQL statements



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Ghost socks

Image classifier
identifies 3-4 images
each second.



| | | |
|----------|--------|----------|
| 18:10:48 | Blank | |
| 18:10:48 | Blank | |
| 18:10:49 | | 1 second |
| 18:10:49 | | |
| 18:10:49 | Blank | |
| 18:10:50 | Blank | |
| 18:10:50 | Blank | |
| 18:10:50 | Blank | |
| 18:10:51 | Blank | |
| 18:10:51 | Blank | |
| 18:10:52 | Mongo | Wrong |
| 18:10:52 | Google | |
| 18:10:52 | Google | |
| 18:10:53 | Google | |
| 18:10:53 | Google | |
| 18:10:53 | Google | Correct |
| 18:10:53 | Google | |
| 18:10:54 | Google | |
| 18:10:54 | Google | |
| 18:10:54 | Google | |
| 18:10:55 | Mongo | Wrong |
| 18:10:55 | Blank | |
| 18:10:56 | Blank | |



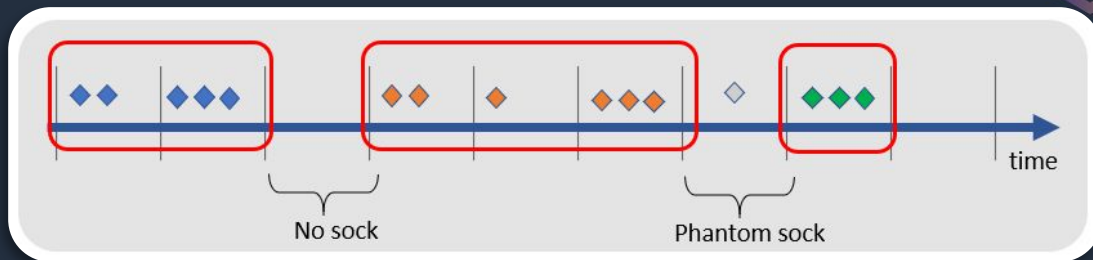
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Event Stream processing

Goal: find similar messages within a windows of time



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Window Hopping with ksqlDB

Goal: find 4 or more identical socks in a rolling 5 second window

```
create table sock_stream_smoothed as
select image
, timestamptoString(windowstart(), 'hh:mm:ss') as last_seen
, windowstart() as window_start
from sock_stream
window tumbling (size 5 seconds)
group by image having count(*) > 3
emit changes;
```



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Pairing socks

Goal: find pairs of identical socks

```
select image
, case when (count(*)/2)*2 = count(*) then 'Pair' else 'Un-matched'
end as pair_seen
, count(*) as number_socks_seen
from sock_stream_smoothed
group by image
emit changes;
```

| IMAGE | PAIR_SEEN | NUMBER SOCKS_SEEN |
|-----------|------------|-------------------|
| Mongo | Pair | 2 |
| Streamset | Un-matched | 1 |
| Google | Pair | 2 |
| Confluent | Pair | 2 |

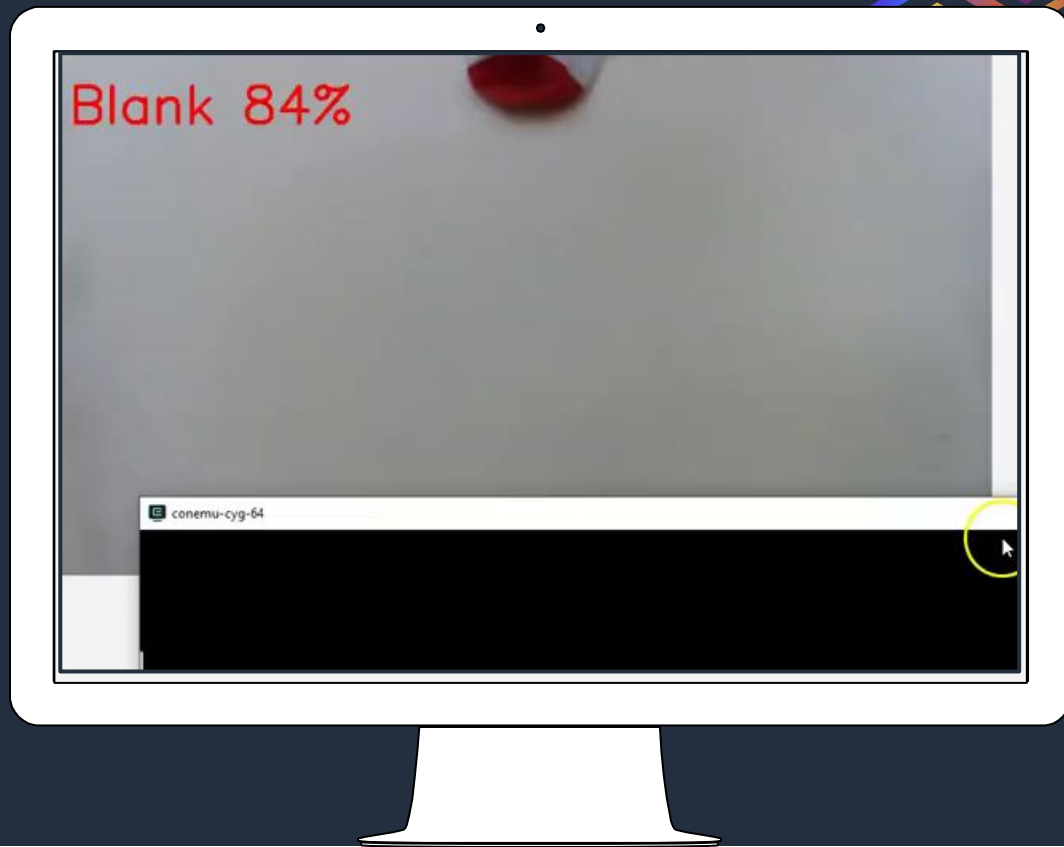


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Demo



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What did I learn?

- AWS DeepLens is super cool
- Object detection is a stream of events
- Events are very messy
- IoT architecture with Kafka is really scalable
- Sock sorting does not make you interesting at parties



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Any questions ?



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