



Use Case Quality Control -Wood Surface Inspection

NEED

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- Score quality of boards
- Easily differentiate boards between A, B and scrap categories

OUTCOMES

- Every board automatically receives a defect score
- Scoring allows customer to bin boards into different quality categories for different uses
- Reduces scrap
- Assures only highest quality boards are used for critical applications, e.g. construction of dams
- Reduces manual QC

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CHALLENGES

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SOLUTION

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- A cut-off defect score is defined by the customer and boards that do not meet the requirement are used in less demanding applications or discarded

PROCESS

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- The ML algorithms is trained based on these samples to assign a defect score to each board



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