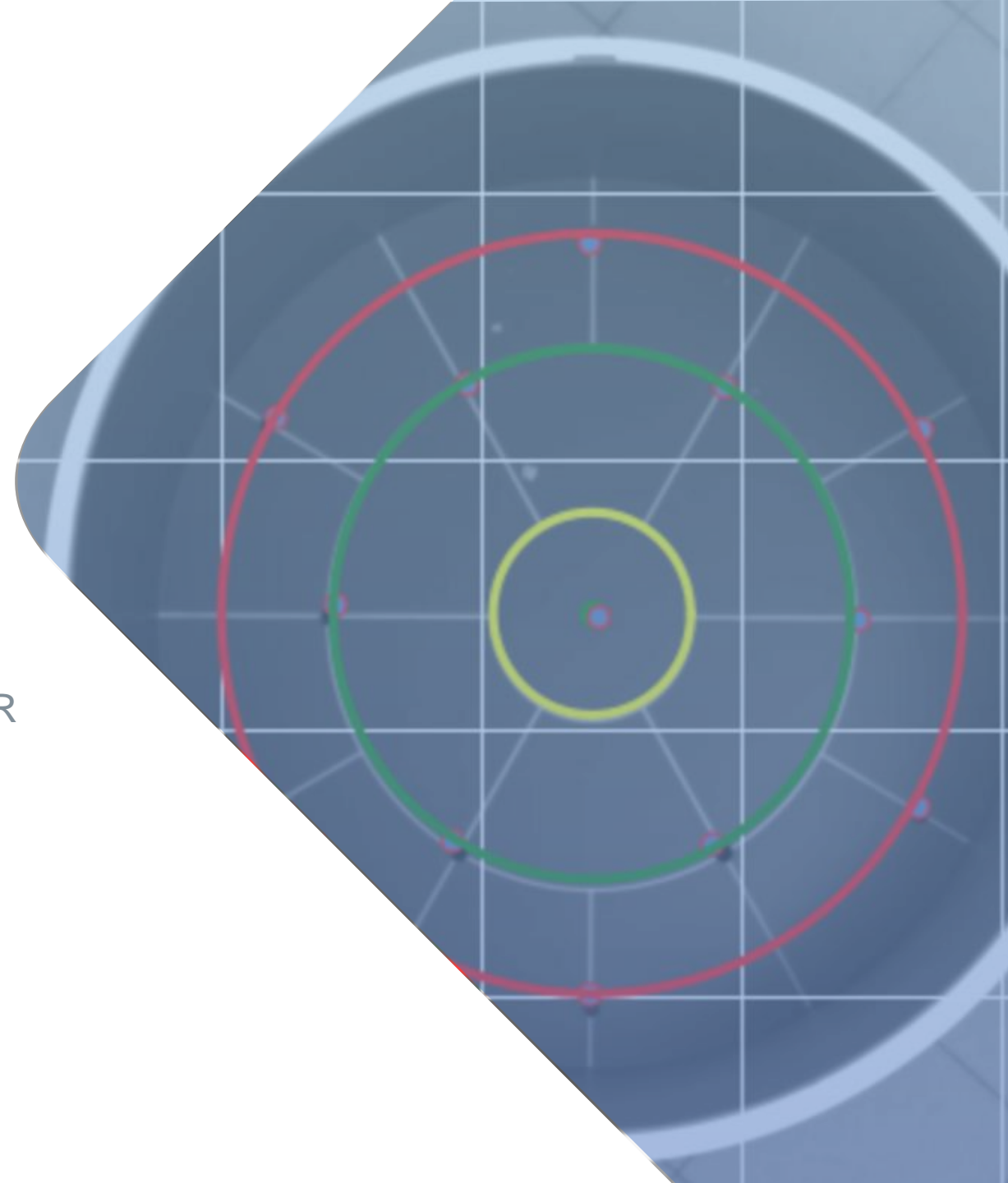


Application of a neural network approach to the task of the arena marking for the behavioral test «Open Field»

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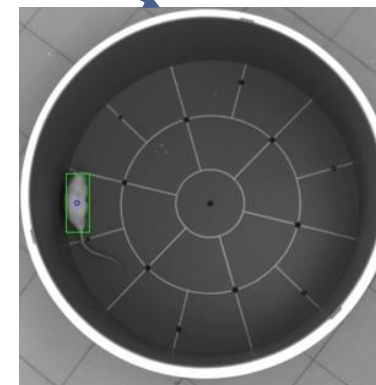


The urgency

The module of the information system is necessary to solve the following tasks:

1. Improving the detection of rodents in test installations;
2. Automation of recognition of individual behavioral acts (grooming, racks, etc.) and their registration;
3. Storage of video material of the conducted experiments.

Behavioral Laboratory Room (JINR LRB)



- The behavioral tests:

1. **Open Field**
2. T-maze
3. Morris water maze

Arena «Open Field»

The considered behavioral test has a form of round arena with the chequered-marked sectors and holes. The observation procedure on the laboratory animals takes 3-6 minutes.

The “Open Field” test-system allows to register the general activity of animals. To this aim, we fix the quantity of passed sectors together with the number of intersections of the marked center. Also, we check how many holes, standings upright with/without supports, standings still and motions on one place the animals did.

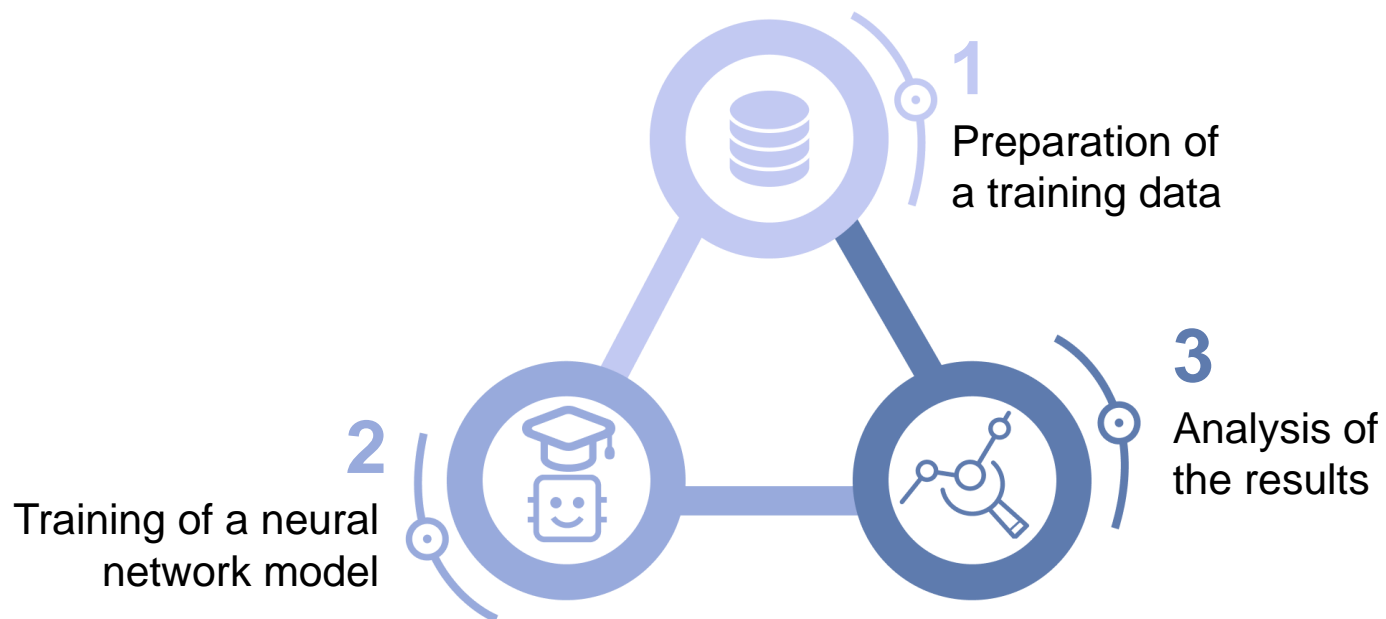


Goal

Development of an algorithm based on a neural network approach for marking the arena "Open Field". Namely, finding circles (radii) and sectors in the image that are necessary for the following:

- counting of the passed sectors,
- fixing the stay of the laboratory animal in the center, in the inner or outer zone.

Tasks

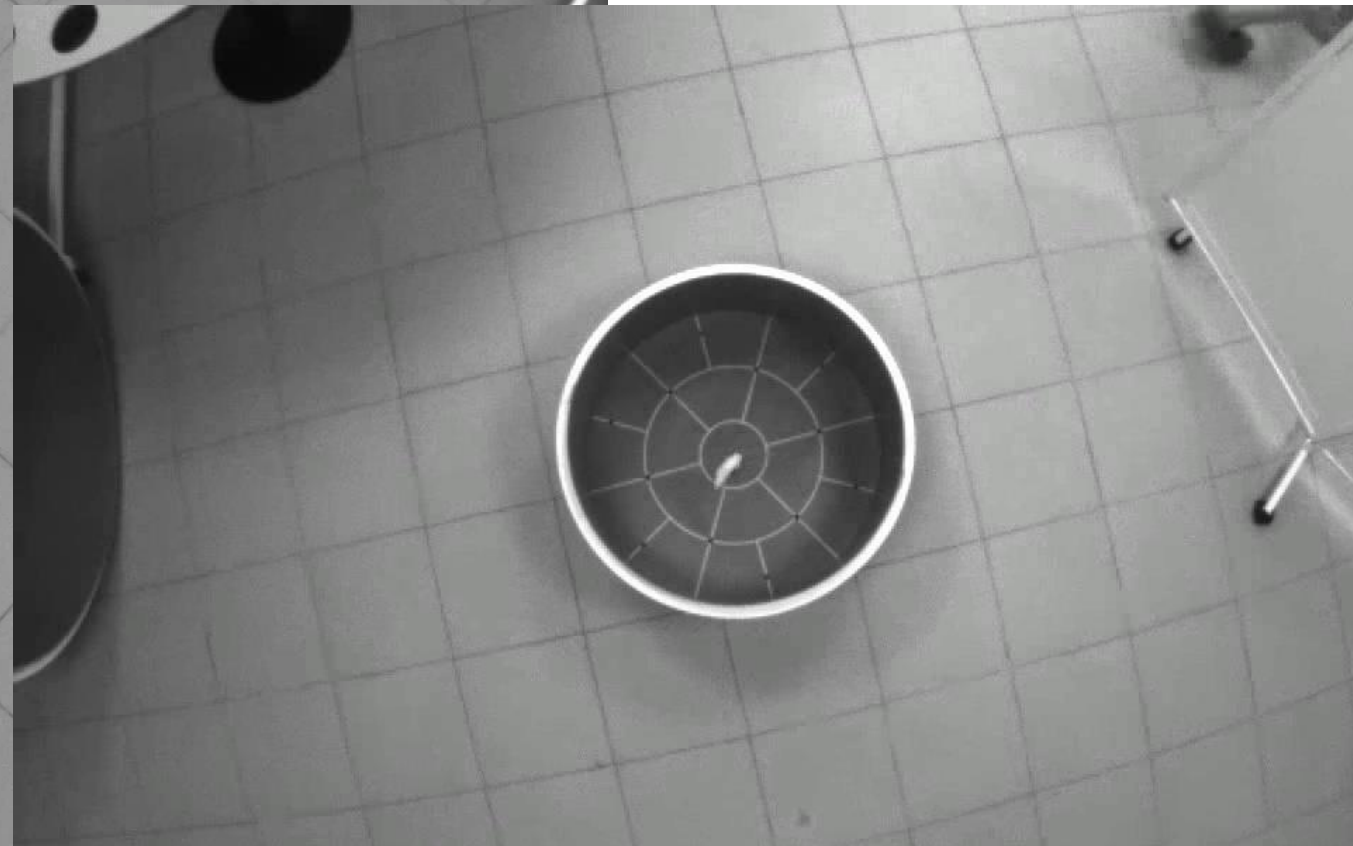


Input data

Videos of different formats and resolutions.

Total number: 36

- (1024, 1280, 3)
- (768, 1024, 3)
- (1080, 1920, 3)
- (960, 1280, 3)



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Problem 1. Classical computer vision algorithms are time-consuming.

Problem 2. Each video has a different illumination.

The method of characteristic points

One of the approaches was chosen due to the idea of the characteristic points method for recognizing car numbers.



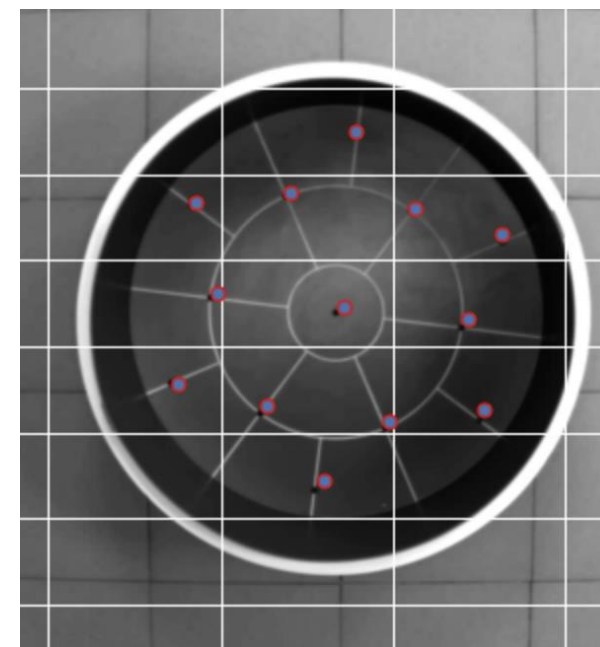
Resource:



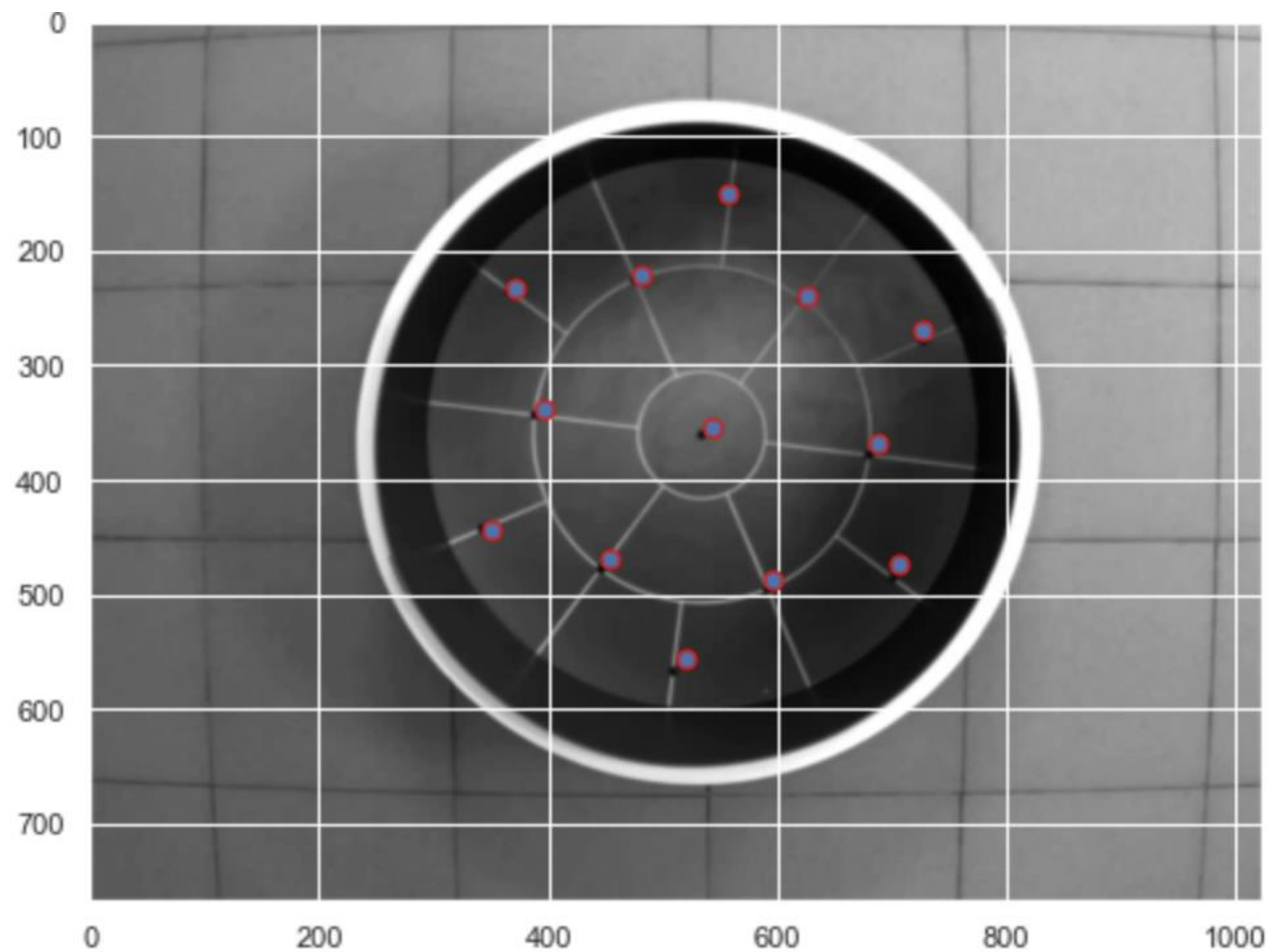
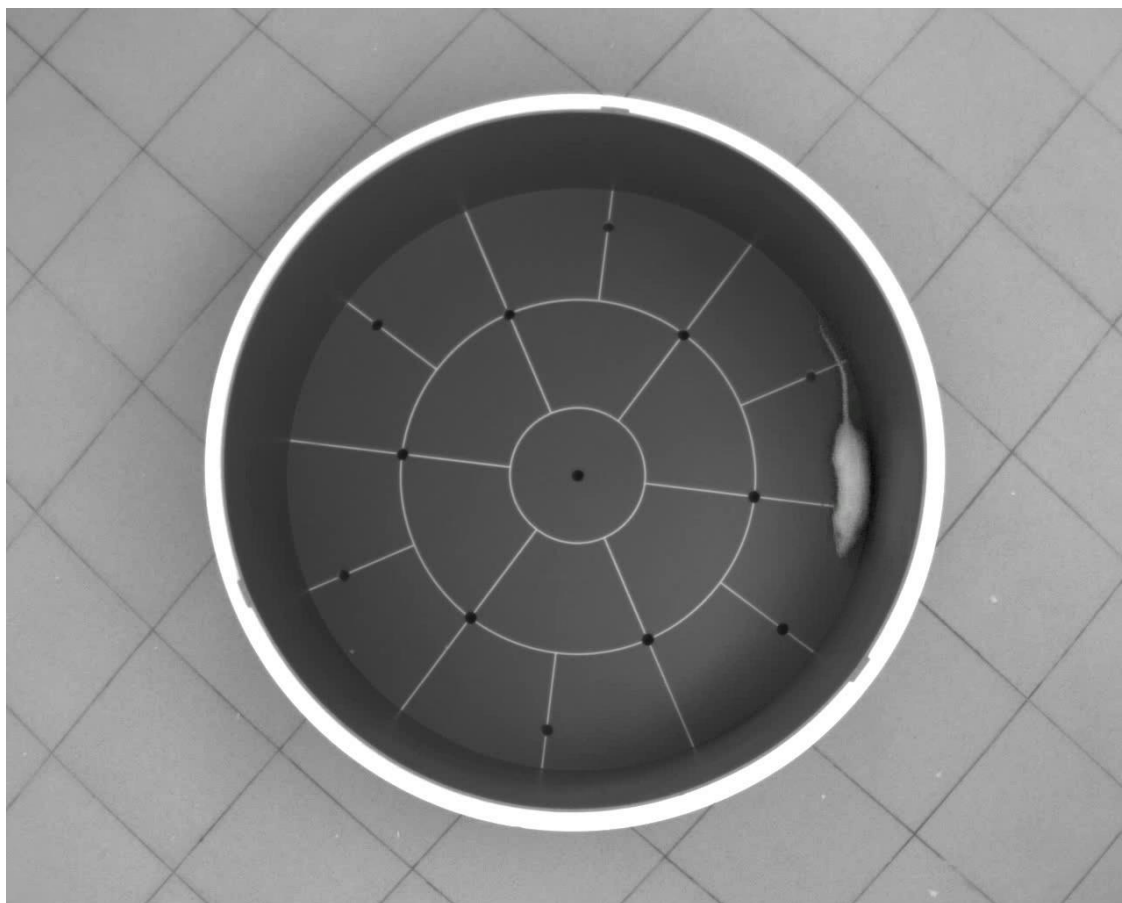
Input parameters: an image with an arena;

Output parameters: coordinates of key points for which holes are selected. They are on every image

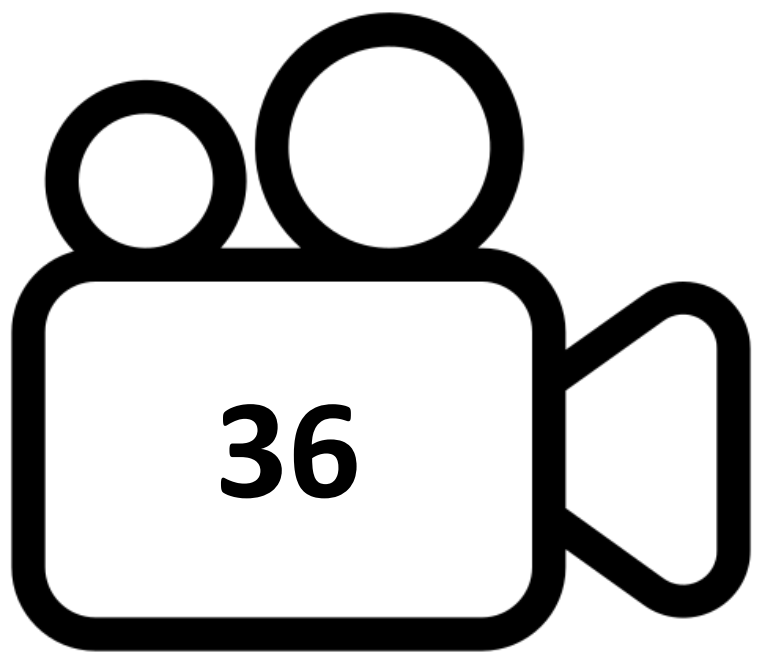
To train a convolutional neural network, a marked-up data set with the coordinates of characteristic points arranged in the same order has been prepared



+ csv



The first frame



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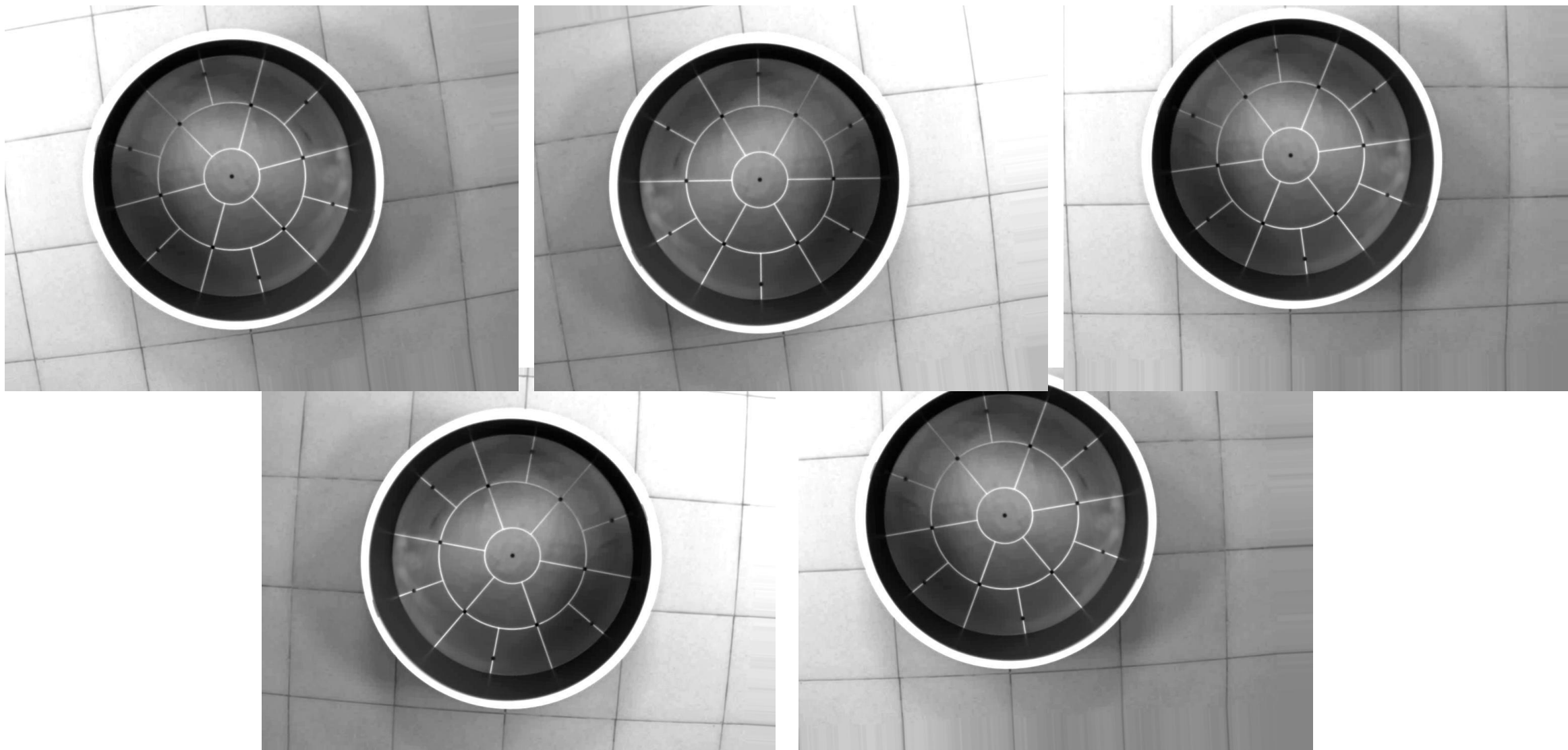
***Problem 3.** Insufficient data to solve the task*

ImageDataGenerator (keras)

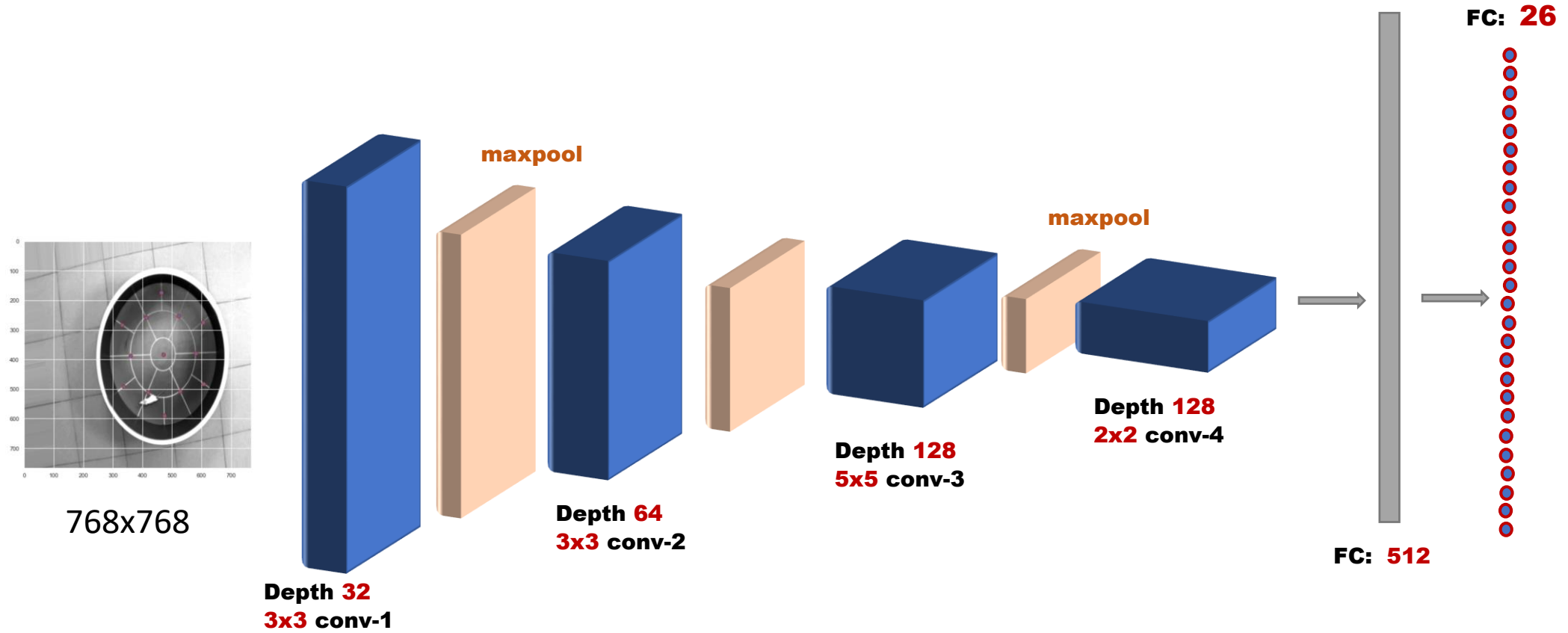
In [66]:

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datagen = ImageDataGenerator(  
    rotation_range=10,  
    width_shift_range=0.1,  
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    shear_range=0.2,  
    # zoom_range=0.2,  
    horizontal_flip=True,  
    brightness_range=[1.5,1.5],  
    # rescale=1.1, # меняет форму!!!  
    # vertical_flip=True,  
    fill_mode='nearest'  
)
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Dataset Expansion



Convolutional Neural network architecture



The result of training a convolutional neural network

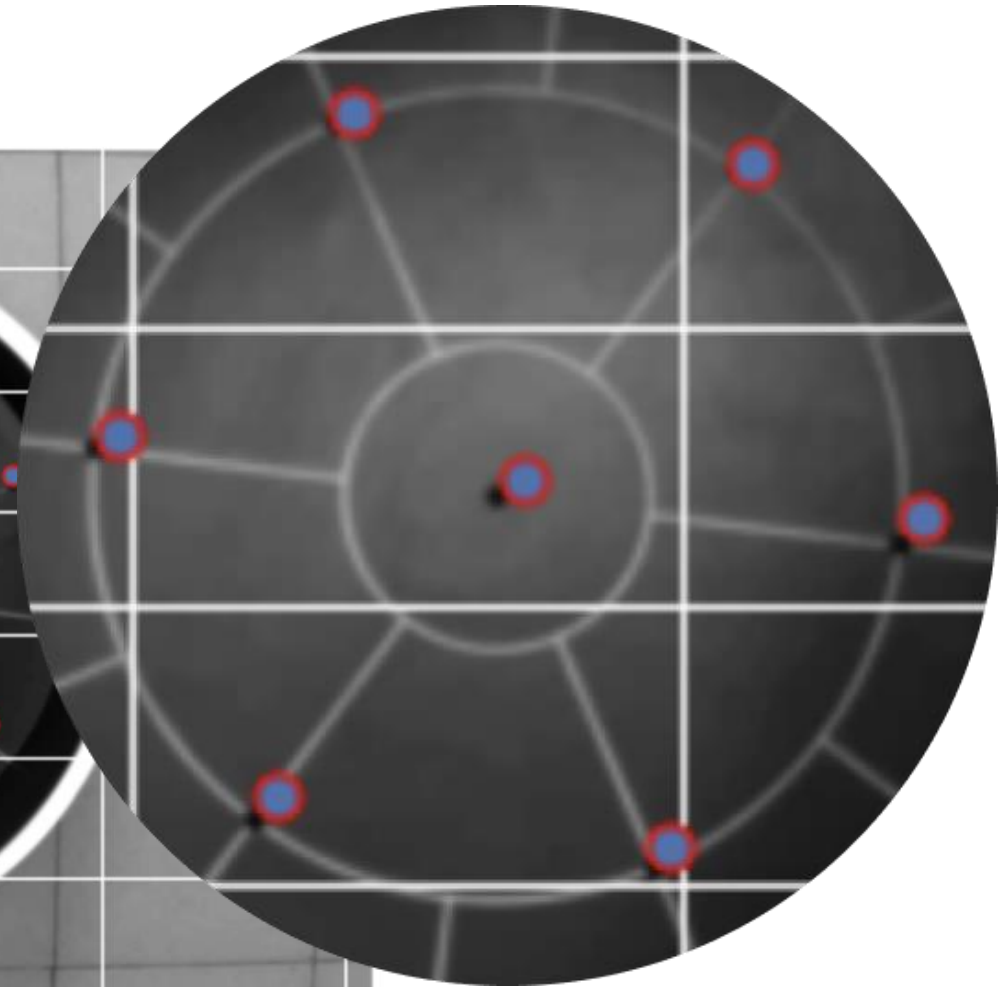
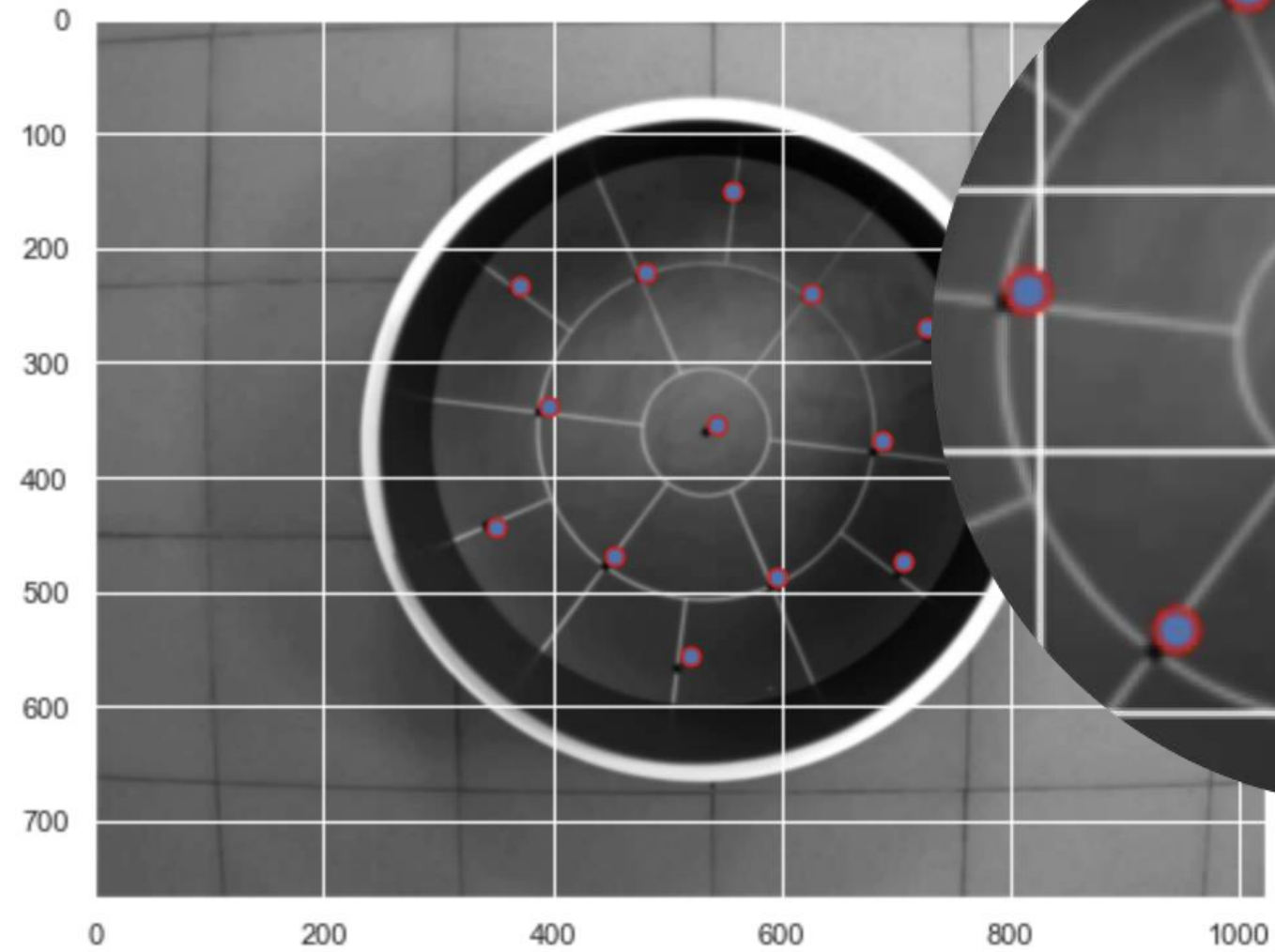
Model: "model"

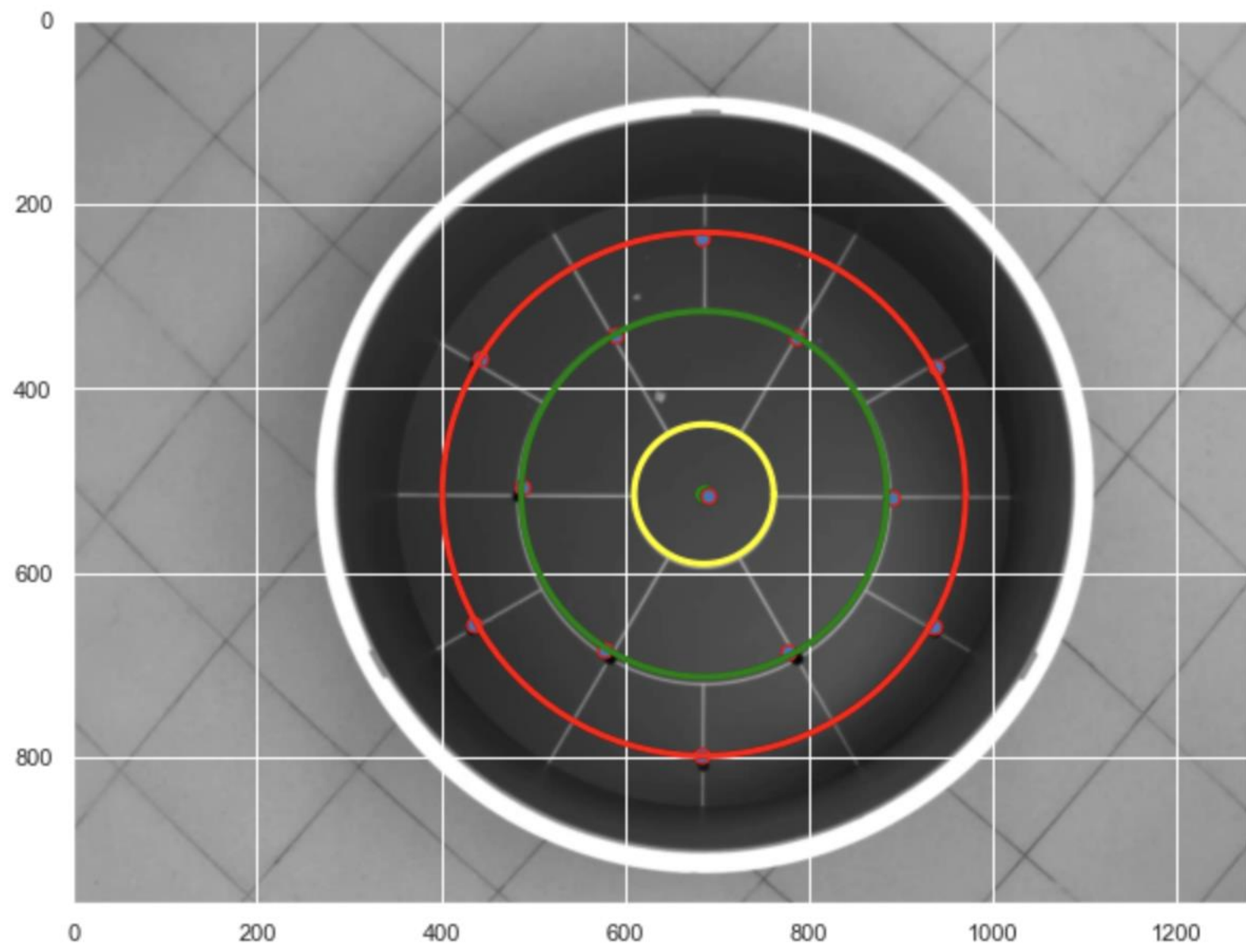
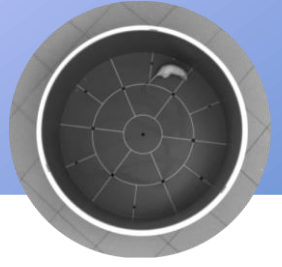
Layer (type)	Output Shape	Param #
input_1 (InputLayer)	[(None, 768, 768, 1)]	0
conv2d (Conv2D)	(None, 383, 383, 32)	320
max_pooling2d (MaxPooling2D)	(None, 191, 191, 32)	0
conv2d_1 (Conv2D)	(None, 95, 95, 64)	18496
max_pooling2d_1 (MaxPooling2D)	(None, 47, 47, 64)	0
conv2d_2 (Conv2D)	(None, 22, 22, 128)	204928
max_pooling2d_2 (MaxPooling2D)	(None, 11, 11, 128)	0
conv2d_3 (Conv2D)	(None, 10, 10, 128)	65664
max_pooling2d_3 (MaxPooling2D)	(None, 5, 5, 128)	0
flatten (Flatten)	(None, 3200)	0
dense (Dense)	(None, 512)	1638912
dense_1 (Dense)	(None, 26)	13338

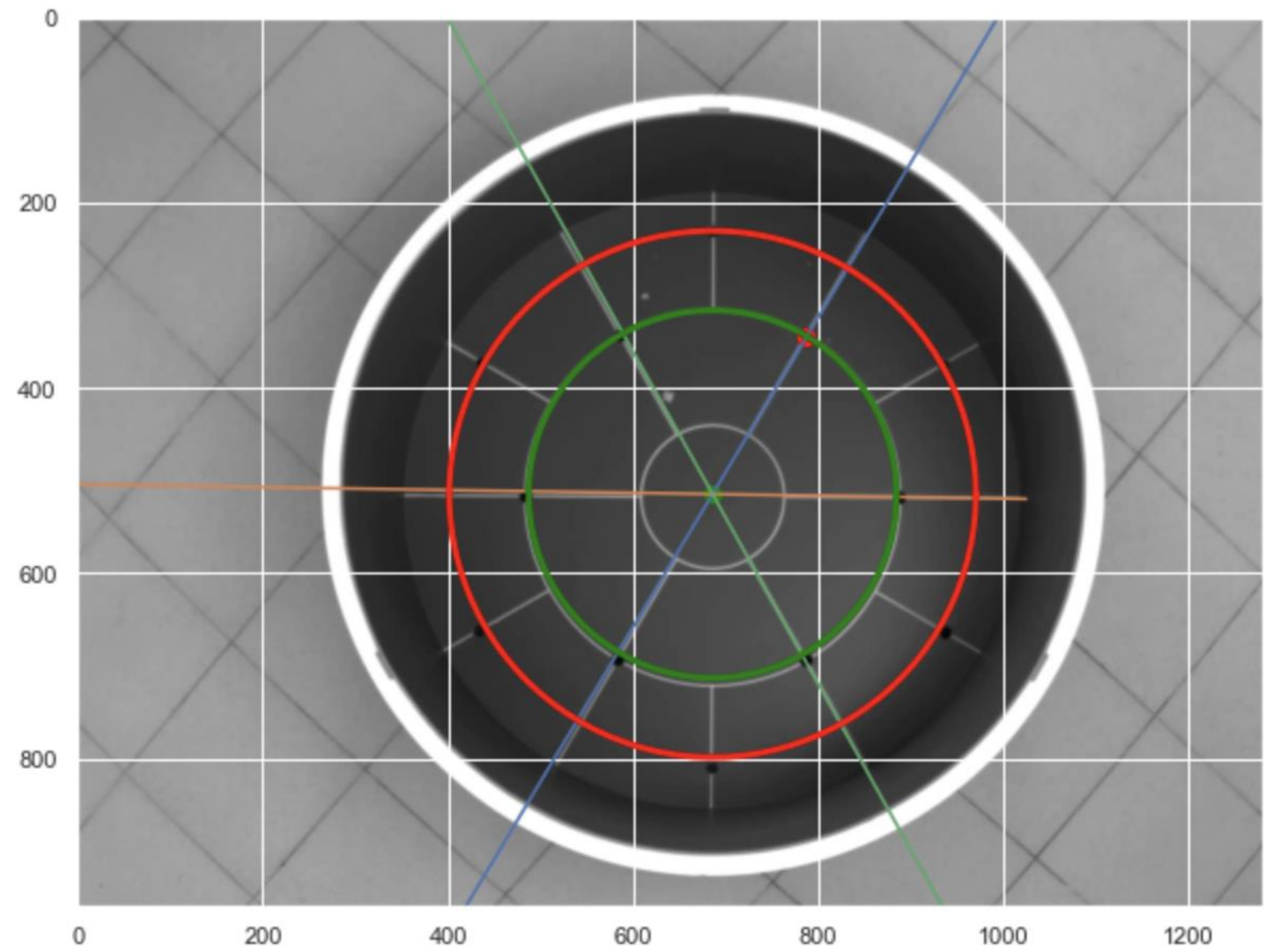
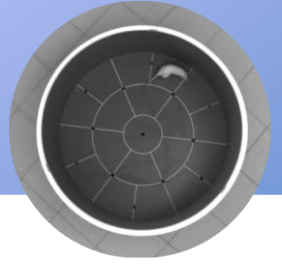
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 Trainable params: 1,941,658
 Non-trainable params: 0

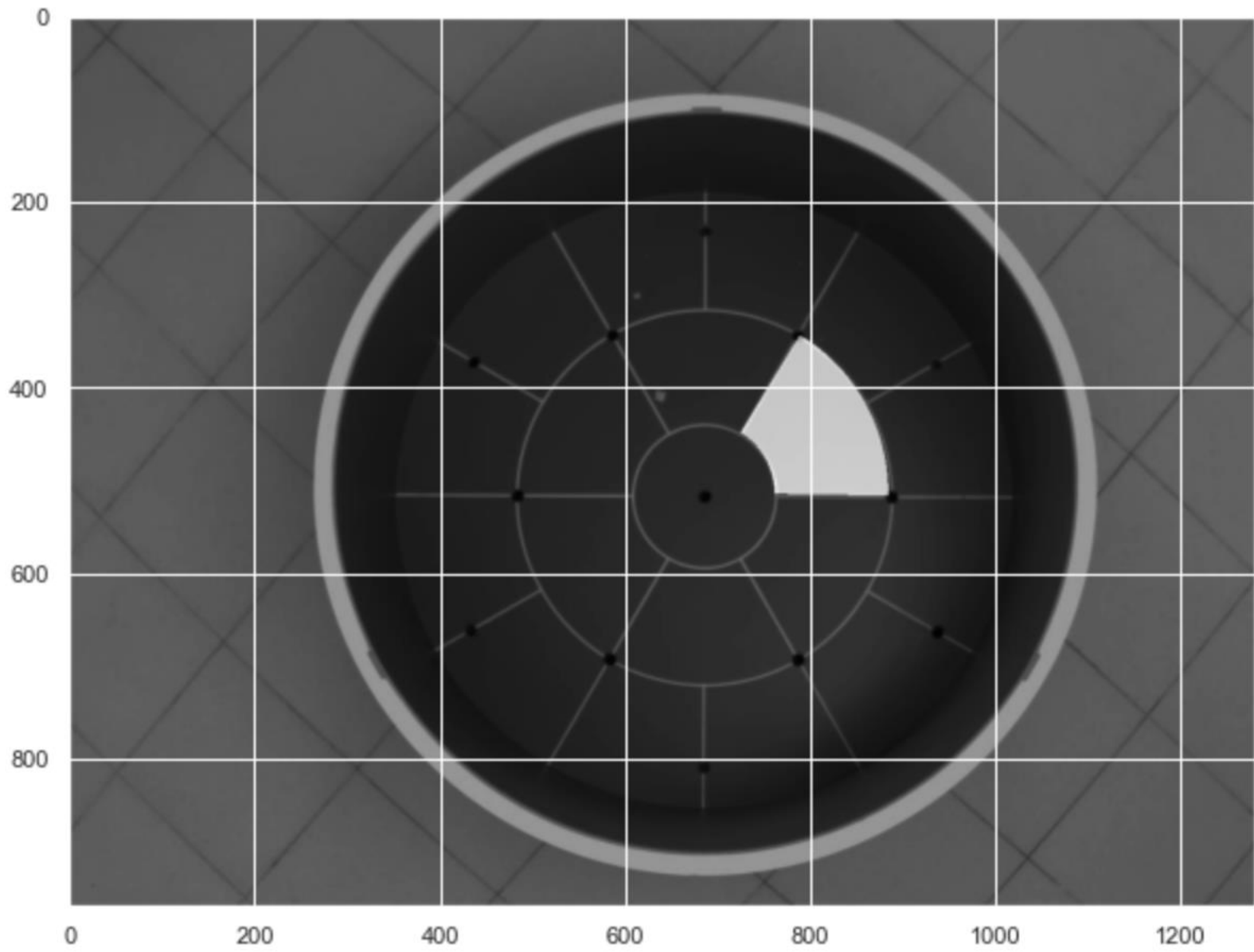
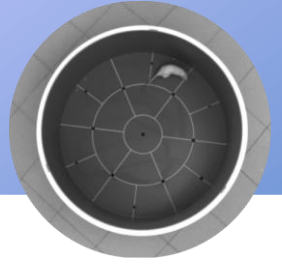


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(768, 1024)









Conclusion

- The developed approach shows the effectiveness of the method.
- To improve the result, it is necessary to expand the dataset.

Thank you for your attention!