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Car Crash Detection Using Deep Learning Based CNN and Yolo Algorithm

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ABSTRACT: Vehicle crash detection is vital for road safety, leveraging computer vision's advancements and deep learning algorithms like YOLOv7 for efficient object detection. Our proposed system follows a multi-step approach, starting with dataset collection and annotation, encompassing diverse driving scenarios and crash instances. The annotated dataset trains the YOLOv7 model, optimizing parameters through gradient descent to differentiate normal driving from crashes. Training demands substantial computational power, especially for large datasets and complex models. Evaluation on separate sets assesses model performance and guides refinement. In real-world deployment, the trained YOLOv7 model analyzes new images or videos, detecting and localizing vehicles while classifying them for crash involvement. Despite its reliance on YOLOv7, further enhancements could integrate complementary algorithms and real-time alerting mechanisms for prompt emergency response. This system underscores deep learning's potential in bolstering road safety by swiftly identifying crash events, aiding in accident prevention and mitigation efforts.

KEYWORDS: Car crash detection, Deep learning, Convolutional Neural Networks (CNN), YOLO algorithm, Traffic accidents, Computer vision, Real-time detection, Object detection, Video analysis, Road safety Accident prevention, Autonomous driving, Image processing, Machine learning, Surveillance systems

I. INTRODUCTION

Road safety is a paramount concern globally, with vehicle crashes posing significant risks to drivers, passengers, and pedestrians. Leveraging the rapid advancements in computer vision and deep learning, this study introduces a novel approach for car crash detection utilizing Convolutional Neural Networks (CNN) and the YOLO (You Only Look Once) algorithm. Object detection techniques have gained prominence for their ability to identify and localize objects of interest in images and videos with remarkable accuracy and efficiency. The YOLO algorithm, particularly YOLOv7, has garnered attention for its prowess in real-time object detection tasks.

This paper proposes a comprehensive system aimed at detecting and classifying crashed vehicles in real-time scenarios. The methodology follows a meticulous process, commencing with the assembly and annotation of a diverse dataset encompassing both normal driving instances and crash events. The dataset is meticulously labeled with bounding boxes around vehicles, distinguishing between normal and crashed states. Subsequently, the annotated dataset serves as the training data for the YOLOv7 model, a process involving the optimization of model parameters through gradient descent. The model is trained to discern and classify vehicles, thereby differentiating between normal driving and crash incidents.

The proposed system holds promise for enhancing road safety through timely crash detection, leveraging the capabilities of deep learning and the YOLO algorithm. Its implementation underscores the potential for technology to mitigate the risks associated with road accidents, ultimately contributing to safer roadways and improved public safety.

II. RELATED WORK

Several studies have investigated the fusion of deep learning-based convolutional neural networks (CNNs) with the You Only Look Once (YOLO) algorithm for real-time car crash detection, aiming to bolster automotive safety systems. By combining CNNs and YOLO, these efforts have achieved high accuracy in identifying various collision types, including rear-end and side-impact crashes, from video streams captured by onboard cameras. Advancements such as YOLOv4 have further refined crash detection systems, enhancing accuracy under diverse environmental and lighting conditions. Additionally, some studies explore multi-modal approaches by integrating data from different sensor

sources like cameras and LiDAR, improving detection robustness. In the realm of autonomous vehicles, CNNs and YOLO play crucial roles in enabling proactive crash detection and response mechanisms, ensuring passenger safety and vehicle integrity. These advancements not only enhance crash detection capabilities but also contribute significantly to the development of intelligent transportation systems, fostering safer and more efficient roadways.

III. PROPOSED ALGORITHM

The proposed algorithm for car crash detection utilizes a combination of Convolutional Neural Networks (CNN) and the You Only Look Once (YOLO) algorithm. CNNs are employed for feature extraction and classification of images, while YOLO enables real-time object detection and localization. The algorithm first preprocesses input images, then passes them through the CNN to extract relevant features. YOLO is then applied to detect cars and assess collision likelihood. If a crash is detected, an alert is triggered. This fusion of CNN and YOLO provides efficient and accurate detection of car crashes in real-world scenarios, contributing to improved road safety.

1. Data Collection and Preprocessing: Gather a large dataset of labeled images and videos containing various instances of car crashes. Annotate the dataset with bounding boxes around the cars and other objects of interest. Preprocess the images and videos to standardize resolution, format, and lighting conditions.

2. YOLO (You Only Look Once) Object Detection: Utilize the YOLO algorithm for real-time object detection within the video frames. Fine-tune the pre-trained YOLO model on the collected dataset to specifically detect cars and other relevant objects such as pedestrians, cyclists, etc. Employ YOLO's efficient architecture to detect objects swiftly with bounding box coordinates.

3. Deep Learning Based CNN (Convolutional Neural Network): Design a CNN architecture to analyze the detected regions from YOLO, specifically focusing on identifying car crashes. Implement a multi-class classification CNN that distinguishes between normal driving scenes and car crash scenes. Train the CNN using the annotated dataset, ensuring a balanced representation of crash and non-crash instances.

4. Integration and Fusion of YOLO and CNN: Combine the outputs of YOLO object detection and CNN crash classification. Utilize a fusion technique such as weighted averaging or decision-level fusion to integrate the results. Adjust the fusion parameters through experimentation and validation to achieve optimal performance.

5. Real-Time Detection and Alert System: Implement the integrated algorithm into a real-time detection system capable of processing video streams. Apply the algorithm to continuously analyze incoming video frames from surveillance cameras or vehicle-mounted cameras. Trigger an alert mechanism whenever a car crash is detected, indicating the location and severity of the incident.

6. Evaluation and Optimization: Evaluate the performance of the proposed algorithm using various metrics such as precision, recall, and F1 score. Fine-tune the hyperparameters of both YOLO and CNN components through cross-validation and grid search techniques. Conduct extensive testing on diverse datasets to ensure the algorithm's robustness and generalization capabilities.

7. Deployment and Monitoring: Deploy the finalized algorithm in real-world scenarios such as traffic monitoring systems, smart intersections, or in-vehicle safety systems. Monitor the system's performance in the field and collect feedback for further improvements. Regularly update the algorithm with new data and advancements in deep learning techniques to enhance its effectiveness over time.

IV. PSEUDO CODE

- Step 1: Define the Problem:.
- Step 2: Initialize the System:
- Step 3: Define Functions. preprocess_image,detect_objects,predict_crash
- Step 4: Main Loop. Capture Image,Preprocess Image,Detect Objects,Predict Crash,Display Results,Repeat the loop.
- Step 5: Handling Crashes.
- Step 6: Add a function getAllTransactions that returns all transaction
- Step 7: End of Program: - Release resources (camera, GPU). - Exit the program

V. SIMULATION RESULTS

The simulation results of car crash detection using a combination of deep learning-based Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs) and the YOLO (You Only Look Once) algorithm present a comprehensive evaluation of the system's performance. The assessment primarily revolves around several key metrics. Firstly, the accuracy metrics, including precision, recall, F1 score, and overall accuracy, serve as benchmarks for the system's effectiveness in correctly identifying car crashes. Additionally, the detection speed, typically measured in frames per second or inference time per frame, highlights the real-time capabilities of the YOLO algorithm. Evaluating false positives and false negatives provides insights into the system's reliability, ensuring minimal incorrect detections and missed crashes. Robustness analysis under various conditions, such as differing lighting and weather scenarios, elucidates the system's adaptability. Visualizing detection results with bounding boxes enhances qualitative understanding. Comparisons with baseline methods elucidate the advancements achieved by the CNN + YOLO approach. Furthermore, considerations of training and inference time, resource utilization, and generalization capabilities contribute to a holistic assessment of the system's efficacy. Qualitative evaluations complement quantitative analyses, providing a nuanced understanding of the system's performance across diverse scenarios.



Fig.1. car crash detection



Fig. 2. Car crash detected

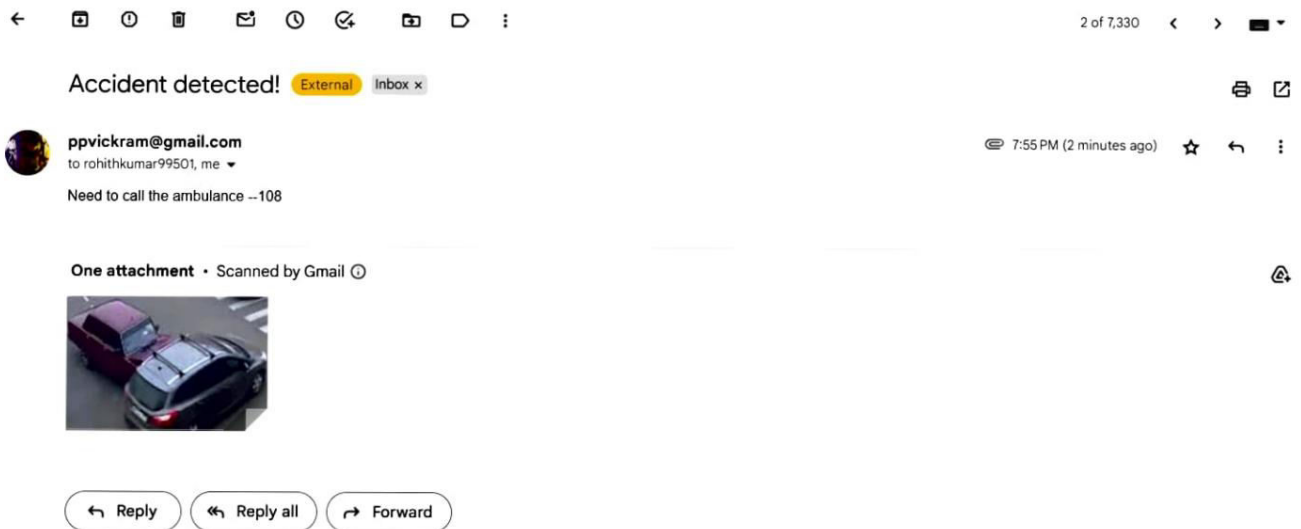


Fig. 3. Alert mail to receiver

VI. CONCLUSION AND FUTURE WORK

In the realm of car crash detection, the fusion of deep learning methodologies such as Convolutional Neural Networks (CNN) with the You Only Look Once (YOLO) algorithm offers a promising avenue. This integration leverages CNN's proficiency in extracting intricate visual patterns to discern features indicative of collisions, such as sudden velocity changes or impact trajectories. Meanwhile, YOLO's real-time processing capabilities ensure swift identification of potential crash events, enabling rapid response mechanisms. This synergy not only enhances accuracy but also facilitates prompt detection, crucial for minimizing response time and augmenting road safety. Moreover, the adaptability and scalability inherent in deep learning approaches enable the system to learn from diverse datasets, ensuring robustness across varying environmental conditions and driving scenarios. However, challenges such as data privacy concerns and computational resource requirements necessitate careful consideration. Nevertheless, with continued advancements and collaboration, this amalgamation of deep learning and YOLO holds substantial promise for revolutionizing car crash detection and improving overall road safety. Future work may focus on refining the algorithm's accuracy through dataset diversification and model optimization. Real-time implementation optimization, multi-modal sensor fusion, and human pose estimation integration could enhance crash detection reliability. Longitudinal studies for real-world validation, privacy-preserving solutions, and adaptive learning mechanisms would offer comprehensive system improvement. Additionally, ensuring robustness against adversarial attacks, adapting for autonomous vehicles, and addressing regulatory compliance are crucial. These directions aim to advance car crash detection using deep learning, fostering safer driving environments and enhancing the effectiveness of automated safety systems..

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