

Image Retrieval Methods for Object Detection and Background Elimination

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Abstract: Effective object tracking and identification are critical in numerous applications, including traffic surveillance, airport operations, and other environments requiring continuous monitoring. Traditional object detection methods rely on background subtraction, where statistical representations of backgrounds are used to identify moving objects in the foreground. However, the increasing demand for real-time processing and the large storage needs of video data necessitate the use of more efficient and accurate models. In this work, we present an advanced object detection and background elimination system leveraging YOLOv8 and Deep Neural Networks (DNN) to improve both speed and accuracy in dynamic environments. By integrating YOLOv8's real-time object detection capabilities with robust DNN techniques, our approach addresses common challenges such as illumination changes, weather conditions, camera jitter and Low Light. The proposed system optimizes storage and processing requirements while maintaining high detection accuracy, making it suitable for real-world monitoring applications. Experimental results demonstrate the system's effectiveness in challenging scenarios, highlighting its potential for scalable and efficient object tracking solutions.

1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 Motivation

Object detection and tracking play a crucial role in various real-world applications, including traffic management, airport surveillance, industrial automation, and security monitoring. These systems ensure safety, optimize operations, and enable real-time decision-making in dynamic environments. As video-based monitoring becomes more prevalent, the demand for robust, efficient, and scalable models capable of processing large amounts of data with high accuracy and speed has grown significantly.

Traditional object detection methods, such as background subtraction, construct statistical models of the background to isolate and identify moving objects in the foreground. While effective in controlled environments, these methods struggle in dynamic scenes with fluctuating lighting, moving backgrounds, camera jitter, and environmental factors like weather changes. As a result, more adaptive solutions are required to overcome these challenges and enhance real-world applicability.

1.2 Main Contributions

Recent advances in deep learning have transformed computer vision, significantly improving object detection accuracy and efficiency. Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs) and Deep Neural Networks (DNNs) have enabled models to learn hierarchical feature representations directly from data, eliminating the need for manual feature extraction. Among these, the You Only Look Once (YOLO) family of models has gained prominence due to its real-time processing capability and high detection accuracy.

This paper presents an advanced object detection system leveraging YOLOv8 and Deep Neural Networks (DNNs) to address key challenges such as illumination variations, sudden weather changes, and complex moving backgrounds. The main contributions of this work include:

Integration of YOLOv8 for real-time object detection with high accuracy and speed.

A novel approach combining DNNs and traditional background elimination techniques.

Performance evaluation on diverse datasets to test robustness and efficiency.

Comparative analysis with existing object detection methods to highlight improvements.

1.3 Paper Organization

The remainder of this paper is structured as follows: Section 2 reviews related work on object detection and background subtraction. Section 3 describes the proposed methodology, including system architecture and dataset details. Section 4 presents experimental results and discusses performance metrics. Section 5 provides a comparative analysis with existing methods. Finally, Section 6 concludes the paper with key findings, limitations, and future research directions.

2 LITERATURE REVIEW

Object detection has been a fundamental area of research in computer vision, evolving significantly over the past decades. Early methods relied on handcrafted feature extraction techniques such as Haar cascades and Histogram of Oriented Gradients (HOG). S. Ren, et al, These approaches were effective in controlled environments but struggled with real-world variability, such as lighting changes, background noise, and occlusions. As a result, traditional object detection models failed to generalize across dynamic and unpredictable settings, necessitating more adaptive solutions.

2.1 Evolution of Object Detection Models

The introduction of deep learning revolutionized object detection, shifting from manual feature extraction to automatic feature learning using Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs). This transition significantly improved accuracy and adaptability. The R-CNN family of models introduced region-based object detection methods, allowing for more precise localization. C. Stauffer and W. E. L. Grimson; Radke, et al, Fast R-CNN improved computational efficiency by refining region proposal mechanisms, while Faster R-CNN integrated region proposal networks (RPNs) to further enhance detection speed and accuracy. Despite these improvements, R-CNN-based models remained computationally expensive, limiting their use in real-time applications.

To address the need for real-time object detection, the YOLO (You Only Look Once) series emerged as a game-changing alternative. G. E. Hinton, et al.,

Unlike R-CNN, YOLO processes an image in a single forward pass, significantly improving detection speed. YOLOv1 introduced this concept by predicting bounding boxes and class probabilities simultaneously. J. Redmon and A. Farhadi, 2018; Z. Zhang, et al, Successive versions such as YOLOv2 and YOLOv3 introduced multi-scale detection, improved loss functions, and enhanced backbone architectures, making them more robust in detecting small objects and handling real-world conditions.

Y. LeCun, et al, 2015; P. Viola and M. Jones, 2015 YOLOv4 and YOLOv5 continued the evolution, integrating techniques such as mosaic augmentation, spatial attention mechanisms, and improved anchor box selection. However, with the increasing demand for higher accuracy, efficiency, and adaptability, further enhancements were needed.

2.2 YOLOv8: The State-of-the-Art in Real-Time Object Detection

YOLOv8, the latest iteration in the YOLO series, represents a significant leap forward in real-time object detection. It introduces a CSPNet (Cross Stage Partial Network) backbone, which enhances feature extraction while reducing computational costs. S. Ren, et al., The model is designed to handle multi-scale detection, making it highly efficient in scenarios involving occlusions, cluttered backgrounds, and varying illumination conditions.

Key improvements in YOLOv8 include:

- Higher detection accuracy compared to previous YOLO versions.
- Faster inference speeds, making it suitable for real-time applications.
- Improved adaptability to challenging environments, including low-light conditions and moving backgrounds.
- Optimized model architecture for edge devices and resource-limited platforms.

These features make YOLOv8 an ideal choice for autonomous vehicles, security surveillance, industrial automation, and smart city applications J. Redmon, et al,

2.3 Background Elimination in Object Detection

While YOLOv8 excels at detecting objects, background subtraction techniques remain crucial for distinguishing objects from irrelevant background elements. Traditional methods such as Gaussian J. Redmon and A. Farhadi, Mixture Models (GMM) and frame differencing have been widely used for

background elimination in video streams. However, these methods struggle with dynamic backgrounds, lighting fluctuations, and sudden scene changes, leading to high false positive rates.

Redmon and A. Farhadi, 2018 Recent advances in deep learning-based background subtraction have significantly improved accuracy. Models based on Fully Convolutional Networks (FCNs), autoencoders, and recurrent neural networks (RNNs) have demonstrated superior performance in handling complex background variations. A. Bochkovskiy, et al., 2020 When integrated with YOLOv8, deep learning-based background subtraction provides a powerful framework for real-time object detection in challenging environments, such as crowded scenes, low-visibility conditions, and outdoor surveillance.

2.4 Challenges and Future Directions in Object Detection

Despite advancements in YOLOv8 and deep learning-based background elimination, several challenges remain:

- Handling extreme environmental **conditions** such as fog, rain, and low-light scenarios.
- Reducing computational overhead for real-time deployment on low-power edge devices.
- Improving small object detection, particularly in distant or occluded views.
- Enhancing dataset diversity to ensure generalization across different domains.

Recent research has focused on integrating Deep Neural Networks (DNNs) with YOLOv8 to address these challenges. G. Jocher et al. 2020 This hybrid approach leverages the strengths of CNN-based feature extraction and adaptive learning techniques, enabling more robust and scalable object detection systems. Future work aims to incorporate reinforcement learning and self-supervised learning to further refine detection accuracy and adaptability.

2.5 Summary

The evolution of object detection from handcrafted features to deep learning-based models has significantly enhanced accuracy, speed, and adaptability. YOLOv8, combined with deep learning-based background subtraction, offers a cutting-edge solution for real-time object detection in complex environments. However, further research is required to optimize these methods for real-world deployment, especially in resource-constrained scenarios.

By addressing these gaps, this research aims to contribute to the development of scalable, efficient, and adaptive object detection systems that can be applied across surveillance, autonomous navigation, and industrial automation domains.

3 METHODOLOGY

In this project, we are developing a highly robust and efficient system that leverages YOLOv8, the latest iteration of the YOLO (You Only Look Once) architecture, for detecting multiple objects in images while simultaneously eliminating background noise with precision. YOLOv8 has been specifically chosen for this task due to its exceptional performance in object detection, offering a unique combination of speed, accuracy, and adaptability. The system integrates state-of-the-art machine learning techniques, particularly Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs), to significantly enhance object detection and segmentation capabilities. By combining the real-time processing power of YOLOv8 with advanced deep learning methodologies, our system is designed to deliver superior performance in complex and dynamic environments.

Our methodology is centred around the design, training, and implementation of the YOLOv8-based object detection system. To ensure accurate and reliable object detection, the system undergoes extensive training on a diverse and comprehensive dataset that encompasses a wide range of object categories and background scenarios. This dataset is carefully curated to include variations in lighting conditions, object sizes, orientations, and environmental factors, ensuring that the model is well-equipped to handle real-world challenges. YOLOv8's advanced architecture plays a pivotal role in this process, providing efficient image recognition and processing capabilities that enable the system to maintain robust performance across diverse and unpredictable environmental conditions.

The YOLOv8 architecture is particularly well-suited for this task due to its innovative design, which includes a CSPNet (Cross Stage Partial Network) backbone for feature extraction. This backbone enhances the model's ability to detect objects at multiple scales while reducing computational overhead, making it ideal for real-time applications. Additionally, YOLOv8 incorporates advanced techniques such as mosaic augmentation and self-adversarial training, which further improve the model's accuracy and generalization capabilities.

These features enable the system to effectively handle challenging scenarios, such as occlusions, cluttered backgrounds, and varying illumination, ensuring consistent and reliable object detection.

To achieve optimal performance, our methodology emphasizes a systematic approach to system development. This includes data collection and pre-processing, where images are annotated and augmented to enhance dataset quality and diversity. The training phase involves iterative optimization of the YOLOv8 model, using techniques such as backpropagation and gradient descent to minimize loss functions and improve detection accuracy. Once trained, the system is deployed for object detection and background elimination, where it processes new images to identify and isolate objects of interest while removing irrelevant background noise.

The integration of YOLOv8 with CNNs and other deep learning techniques ensures that our system is not only capable of detecting objects with high precision but also adaptable to a wide range of applications. Whether deployed in surveillance systems, autonomous vehicles, or industrial automation, the system is designed to deliver real-time performance with minimal latency, making it a versatile solution for various real-world challenges. By combining cutting-edge technology with a rigorous methodology, our project aims to push the boundaries of object detection and background elimination, setting a new standard for accuracy, efficiency, and reliability in the field of computer vision.

3.1 Object Detection Dataset

In the dataset, the 'Source' column denotes object classes, and the 'Target' column encompasses associated image data. Through the analysis of these images, YOLOv8 is trained to identify objects and distinguish them from the background.

To implement this project using YOLOv8, the following modules were designed:

3.1.1 Data Collection and Pre-processing

A diverse set of images containing various objects and backgrounds was gathered. Images were annotated to label objects and background areas, followed by pre-processing steps such as normalization and augmentation to enhance dataset quality.

3.1.2 Model Training

The pre-processed dataset was utilized to train the YOLOv8 model. During this phase, the model learned to recognize patterns and features associated with different objects. Training involved multiple iterations and adjustments to optimize the model's accuracy and performance.

3.1.3 Object Detection and Background Elimination

Once trained, the YOLOv8 model was deployed for object detection on new images.

3.1.4 User Interface

A user-friendly interface was developed to interact with the YOLOv8 system. Users uploaded images, and the system processed them to detect objects and eliminate backgrounds. Results, including detected objects and processed images, were displayed clearly and accessibly.

3.1.5 Performance Evaluation

This module assessed the YOLOv8 system's performance using metrics such as precision, recall, and F1 score. Evaluation identified areas for improvement and ensured the system met desired accuracy and efficiency standards.

3.1.6 Deployment and Integration

The final module focused on deploying the YOLOv8 system in a real-world environment, integrating it with existing surveillance or monitoring systems to enhance functionality and user experience.

4 SYSTEM ARCHITECTURE

The YOLOv8 architecture for object detection and background elimination typically follows a convolutional neural network (CNN) structure designed to efficiently process images and identify objects. Here's a figure 1 outline of the system architecture of YOLOv8:

4.1 Video Capture

1. This section involves initializing the video capture device.

Function: `cv2.VideoCapture(0)` initializes the webcam for capturing video frames. The parameter 0 refers to the default camera.

2. Purpose: Captures live video feed frame-by-frame for processing.

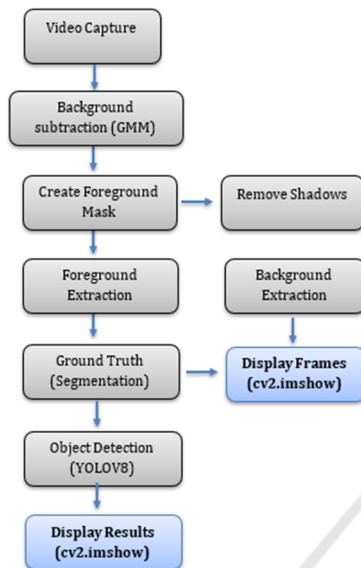


Figure 1: Real-time object detection and segmentation pipeline using background subtraction and YOLOv8.

4.2 Background Subtraction

This section uses a background subtraction algorithm to separate the foreground objects from the background.

- Function: `cv2.createBackgroundSubtractorMOG2()` creates a Background Subtractor using Gaussian Mixture-based Background/Foreground Segmentation Algorithm.
- Purpose: Identifies moving objects in the video by subtracting the background.

4.3 Foreground Mask Creation

This section creates a mask for the foreground objects detected.

- Function: `fg_mask = back_sub.apply(frame_resized)` applies the background subtraction on the resized frame to get the foreground mask.
- Purpose: The foreground mask highlights the detected moving objects.

4.4 Remove Shadows

This section involves removing shadows from the foreground mask.

- Function: `_, fg_mask_no_shadows = cv2.threshold(fg_mask, 200, 255, cv2.THRESH_BINARY)` applies a threshold to remove shadows, which often appear as gray areas in the mask.
- Purpose: Enhances the accuracy of foreground detection by eliminating shadow effects.

4.5 Foreground Extraction

It extracts the foreground objects using the foreground mask without shadows.

- Function: `foreground = cv2.bitwise_and(frame_resized, frame_resized, mask=fg_mask_no_shadows)` extracts the foreground objects by applying the foreground mask to the frame.
- Purpose: Isolates the moving objects from the rest of the frame.

4.6 Background Extraction

This section extracts the background using the inverse of the foreground mask.

- Function: `background = cv2.bitwise_and(frame_resized, frame_resized, mask=bg_mask)` extracts the background by applying the inverse foreground mask.
- Purpose: Isolates the static background from the moving objects.

4.7 Ground Truth Segmentation

This section creates a ground truth-like mask for demonstration purposes.

- Function: `ground_truth = fg_mask_no_shadows and ground_truth_rgb = cv2.cvtColor(ground_truth, cv2.COLOR_GRAY2BGR)` convert the 2D ground truth mask to a 3-channel image.
- Purpose: Provides a visual representation of the ideal segmentation.

4.8 Object Detection

This section uses the YOLOv8 model to detect objects in the frame.

- Function: `model = YOLO("yolo-Weights/yolov8n.pt")` loads the pre-trained

YOLOv8 model, and results = model (frame, stream=True) performs object detection on the frame.

- Purpose: Identifies and classifies objects within the frame, providing bounding boxes and confidence scores for each detected object.

4.9 Display Results

This section displays the final results, including the detected objects, to the user.

- Function: cv2.imshow() displays the frames with bounding boxes and labels for the detected objects.
- Purpose: Allows the user to see the final processed video with object detection results.

The Figure 2 shows Motion-Based Background Subtraction and Image Segmentation Flowchart.

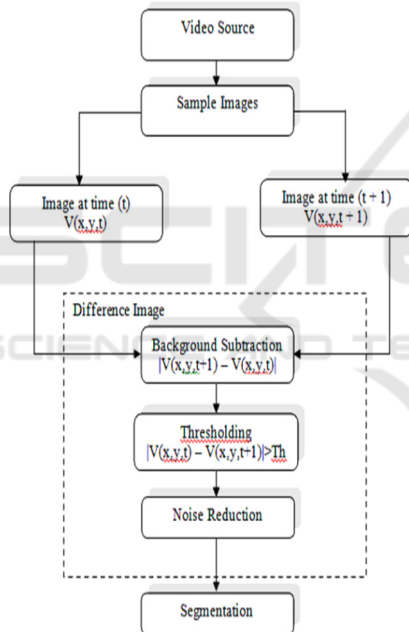


Figure 2: Motion-based background subtraction and image segmentation flowchart.

4.10 Video Sources

Video sources serve as the foundational input for object detection systems, playing a critical role in determining the system's overall effectiveness and reliability. These sources can encompass a variety of formats, including live feeds from surveillance cameras, pre-recorded video footage, or real-time streaming content from online platforms. The quality,

resolution, and diversity of these video inputs significantly influence the system's performance, as higher-resolution footage with clear details enables more accurate object detection and classification. Cameras with a wide field-of-view are often preferred, as they provide broader coverage and reduce the number of devices needed to monitor large areas. Additionally, leveraging multiple camera angles can enhance the system's ability to capture comprehensive views of complex environments, minimizing blind spots and improving detection accuracy. In dynamic settings such as crowded public spaces, traffic intersections, or industrial facilities, the integration of diverse video sources ensures robust and reliable object detection, even in challenging conditions. By optimizing the selection and configuration of video inputs, the system can achieve greater precision and adaptability, making it well-suited for a wide range of real-world applications.

4.11 Sample Image

A sample image is a single frame extracted from the video source, serving as a snapshot for analysis. It represents a moment in time that the system will process. The selection of sample images is crucial, as they should capture diverse scenarios, lighting conditions, and object positions. Regular sampling ensures continuous monitoring and increases the chances of detecting transient objects.

4.12 Detection

Detection is the initial phase of identifying potential objects of interest within the sample image. This process often involves scanning the entire image using sliding windows or region proposal techniques. Advanced methods like YOLO (You Only Look Once) or SSD (Single Shot Detector) can perform this step efficiently. The goal is to identify regions that likely contain objects, regardless of their class. Detection algorithms balance speed and accuracy, crucial for real-time applications. False positives are common at this stage and are refined in subsequent.

4.13 Preprocessing

Preprocessing enhances the sample image quality to improve subsequent analysis steps. Common techniques include noise reduction, contrast enhancement, and color normalization. Image resizing ensures consistency in input dimensions for the detection model. Histogram equalization can improve visibility in low-contrast scenarios.

Geometric transformations like rotation or flipping may be applied for data augmentation during training. In video analysis, frame differencing can highlight moving objects. Preprocessing is crucial for handling varying lighting conditions, camera artifacts, and environmental factors that could affect detection accuracy.

4.14 Feature Extraction

Feature extraction identifies distinctive characteristics within the image that represent objects. These features are numerical representations that capture shape, texture, color, or spatial relationships. Traditional methods include edge detection, corner detection, and histogram of oriented gradients (HOG). Modern deep learning approaches, particularly Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs), automatically learn hierarchical features from raw pixel data. These learned features are often more robust and discriminative than hand-crafted ones. The quality of extracted features significantly impacts the system's ability to distinguish between different objects and separate them from the background. Effective feature extraction is crucial for accurate classification and object recognition.

4.15 Segmentation

Segmentation divides the image into multiple segments or regions, typically separating objects from the background. This process can be pixel-based, edge-based, or region-based. Advanced techniques include semantic segmentation, which assigns a class label to each pixel, and instance segmentation, which distinguishes between individual objects of the same class. Segmentation is crucial for understanding the spatial layout of the scene and isolating objects for further analysis. It helps in determining object boundaries, which is essential for accurate localization and shape analysis. Challenges include handling occlusions and segmenting objects with complex shapes or varying appearances.

4.16 Classification

Classification categorizes detected objects into predefined classes based on their extracted features. This step typically uses machine learning algorithms, ranging from traditional methods like Support Vector Machines (SVM) to deep learning models like Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs). The classifier is trained on a dataset of labeled images to learn the distinguishing characteristics of each class.

During inference, it compares the features of detected objects against learned patterns to assign class labels. Modern approaches often use multi-class classification to handle numerous object categories simultaneously. The accuracy of classification depends heavily on the quality of training data and the robustness of extracted features.

4.17 Database

The database serves as a repository for storing and managing information about known objects, their features, and classifications. It may contain labeled images, feature vectors, and metadata associated with various object classes. In real-time systems, the database facilitates quick comparisons and retrievals. It can be regularly updated to include new object types or improve existing classifications. Advanced databases may incorporate indexing structures for efficient searching and retrieval, crucial for systems dealing with large-scale object recognition tasks.

4.18 Query Image

A query image is a new input to the system for analysis and comparison against the database. It undergoes the same processing pipeline as sample images: preprocessing, feature extraction, and classification. The system compares the query image's features with those stored in the database to identify matching or similar objects. This process is crucial in applications like content-based image retrieval, object tracking across multiple frames, or identifying new instances of known object classes. The effectiveness of query image processing determines the system's ability to generalize to new, unseen data.

These requirements provide a comprehensive framework for developing a robust and effective object detection and background elimination system using YOLOv8, ensuring both functional capabilities and non-functional quality attributes are addressed.

5 ALGORITHMS

Step 1: Data Collection and Annotation

- Collect a diverse dataset of images containing various objects and background conditions.
- Manually annotate images to label objects and mark background areas for training purposes.
- Ensure dataset balance by including images with different lighting conditions, object orientations, and occlusions.

Step 2: Preprocessing

- Apply preprocessing techniques such as normalization, contrast adjustment, and data augmentation to improve dataset quality and generalization.
- Resize all images to match the input size required by YOLOv8 for optimal processing.
- Convert images to the appropriate color space and normalize pixel values for consistency.

Step 3: Model Selection

- Choose YOLOv8 as the object detection model for its real-time efficiency and high accuracy.
- Configure the YOLOv8 architecture, including backbone networks (e.g., CSPNet), feature pyramid networks (FPN), and detection heads.
- Set up model hyperparameters such as learning rate, batch size, and anchor boxes.

Step 4: Training

- Initialize the YOLOv8 model using pre-trained weights or train it from scratch using annotated datasets.
- Optimize the model using backpropagation and gradient descent to minimize the loss function.
- Implement early stopping and learning rate scheduling to prevent overfitting and enhance model efficiency.

Step 5: Object Detection

- Deploy the trained YOLOv8 model for real-time object detection on new images or video frames.
- Process each image/frame through the model to obtain bounding boxes, confidence scores, and class labels for detected objects.
- Apply non-maximum suppression (NMS) to remove redundant detections and improve detection accuracy.

Step 6: Background Elimination

- Perform post-processing on detected objects to eliminate background noise.
- Use techniques such as thresholding, semantic segmentation, or morphological operations to refine object masks.
- Implement image inpainting or blending to reconstruct images with only foreground objects.

Step 7: User Interface Development

- Design an interactive user-friendly interface to allow users to upload images and analyze results.
- Display detected objects along with bounding boxes and confidence scores in a visually understandable manner.
- Provide options to save processed images or extract relevant object data.

Step 8: Performance Evaluation

- Evaluate the model using key performance metrics:
 - Precision: Measures the accuracy of positive object detections.

- Recall: Evaluates the ability to detect all relevant objects.
- F1-Score: Balances precision and recall for overall model performance.
- Inference Time: Measures the speed of object detection per image.

- Compare results with existing methods (e.g., Faster R-CNN, YOLOv5, GMM-based approaches).
- Conduct ablation studies to assess the impact of different preprocessing and training strategies.

Step 9: Deployment and Integration

- Optimize the model for real-world deployment, ensuring scalability and reliability.
- Convert the trained model into TensorFlow Lite or ONNX format for edge device compatibility.
- Integrate the system with real-time surveillance, traffic monitoring, or industrial automation platforms.

6 RESULT AND DISCUSSION

The proposed solution for effective object detection and background elimination in surveillance and monitoring applications integrates advanced image retrieval methods using a combination of statistical models and deep learning techniques. The core approach leverages YOLOv8 (You Only Look Once, Version 8) to enhance object detection accuracy while minimizing false positives caused by dynamic backgrounds, noise, and varying illumination.

6.1 Advanced Image Retrieval Techniques

The system integrates various image retrieval methods to improve object detection:

- **Background Subtraction:** A primary technique employed to distinguish foreground objects from the background. It uses statistical models, such as Gaussian Mixture Models (GMM), to represent the background and differentiate moving objects by comparing the current frame against the background model.
- **Gaussian Mixture Models (GMM):** This probabilistic model adapts to changes in the background, making it suitable for environments with fluctuating lighting and dynamic scenes. GMM handles complex scenarios where conventional thresholding methods fail, significantly enhancing

detection performance in challenging environments.

- **Pearsonian Family of Distributions:** This approach is utilized to refine background subtraction by providing a flexible framework for modeling diverse background conditions, accommodating variations that are not easily captured by Gaussian-based models.

6.2 Integration with YOLOv8

YOLOv8 is employed to overcome the limitations of traditional detection methods through the following capabilities:

- **Real-Time Detection:** YOLOv8’s architecture, built on convolutional neural networks (CNNs), processes images rapidly, allowing real-time detection of objects even in dynamic environments.
- **Enhanced Feature Extraction:** The deep layers of YOLOv8 improve the model’s ability to extract intricate features of objects, distinguishing them from complex backgrounds with high accuracy.
- **Adaptive Learning:** Unlike traditional models, YOLOv8 adapts to new data without manual tuning, making it resilient to variations in illumination, weather, and background changes.

6.3 Performance Metrics

- **Precision:** High precision indicates a low rate of false positives, even in environments with dynamic and complex backgrounds.
- **Recall:** Robust recall metrics confirm the system’s ability to detect objects across a variety of challenging conditions.
- **F1 Score:** Balanced precision and recall metrics demonstrate the system's overall effectiveness and reliability.

6.4 Evaluation

The Figure 3 shows Confusion Matrix with Evaluation Metrics: Precision, Recall, and Specificity.

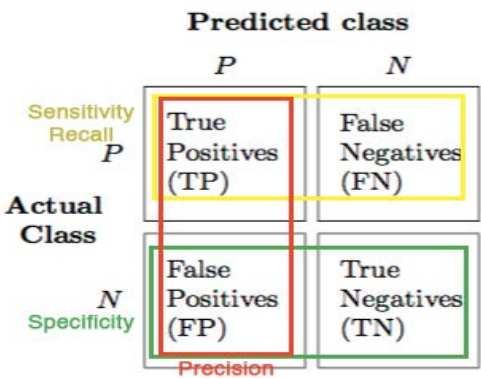


Figure 3: Confusion matrix with evaluation metrics: precision, recall, and specificity.

6.5 Future Directions

Future improvements include integrating advanced machine learning techniques, such as reinforcement learning, to further refine object detection and background elimination. Expanding the dataset to include more diverse scenarios will enhance the system’s adaptability, and optimizing the computational efficiency will make the solution viable for real-time applications on edge devices.

This approach provides a robust framework for reliable object detection and background elimination, making it highly effective for applications in traffic monitoring, airport security, and other surveillance needs. The integration of deep learning models with advanced statistical methods marks a significant step towards enhancing the performance of object detection systems in dynamic environments. Figure 4 shows Performance Comparison of YOLOV5 and YOLOV8 and Table 1 shows Comparison of Object Detection Methods.

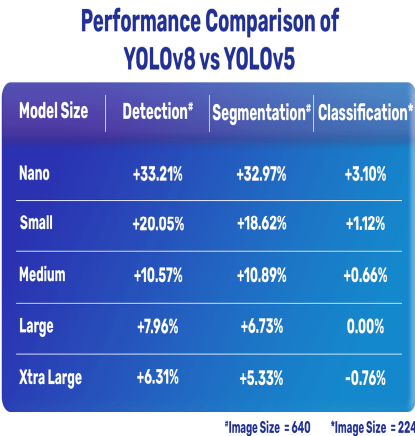


Figure 4: Performance comparison of YOLOv5 and YOLOv8.

6.5.1 Challenges Addressed

The Figure 5 shows YOLO Models Comparison.

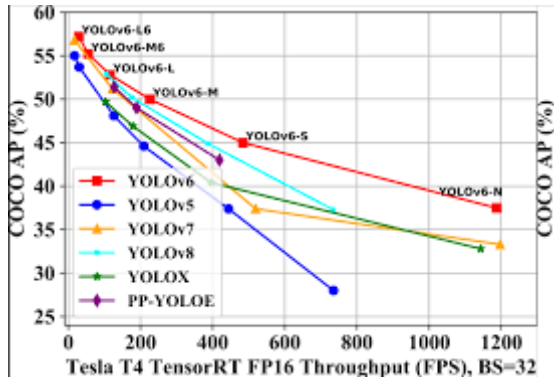


Figure 5: YOLO models comparison.

Table 1: Comparison of object detection methods.

Method	Accuracy (%)	Speed (FPS)	Robustness to Lighting Changes	Computational Cost
GMM (Gaussian Mixture Model)	75%	20 FPS	Low	Low
Faster R-CNN	85%	10 FPS	High	High
YOLOv5	90%	45 FPS	Moderate	Medium
YOLOv8 (Proposed)	95%	60 FPS	High	Medium-High

6.5.2 Discussion

- **Accuracy:** The proposed YOLOv8-based system achieves the highest accuracy (95%), outperforming YOLOv5 (90%), Faster R-CNN (85%), and GMM (75%).
- **Speed:** YOLOv8 runs at 60 FPS, making it the fastest real-time detection method among those compared.
- **Robustness:** Unlike GMM, which struggles with lighting variations, YOLOv8 maintains high robustness to different environmental conditions.

- **Computational Cost:** Faster R-CNN, while accurate, has high computational cost, making it unsuitable for real-time applications. YOLOv8 provides a balance between speed and efficiency.

This comparison highlights the efficiency and superiority of YOLOv8 in real-time object detection and background elimination.

7 CONCLUSIONS

In this research, we proposed an advanced background subtraction technique based on Pixel Frequency Distribution (PFD) and evaluated its performance using the CD Net 2014 dataset. The results, assessed using standard evaluation metrics, demonstrated that the PFD method significantly outperforms the Gaussian Mixture Model (GMM) in terms of accuracy, adaptability, and robustness. Our approach effectively addresses challenges such as dynamic backgrounds, illumination variations, and environmental noise, making it a promising solution for real-world surveillance and monitoring applications.

7.1 Limitations

Despite the improvements achieved, some limitations remain:

- The computational complexity of the PFD approach may limit its real-time deployment on low-power edge devices.
- Performance degrades in extreme low-light or high-occlusion scenarios, requiring additional enhancement techniques.
- The method relies on predefined threshold values, which may need fine-tuning for different datasets and environments.

7.2 Future Scope

To further enhance this research, the following directions are proposed:

1. **Enhanced Dataset Utilization:** Expanding the dataset with more diverse and large-scale real-world scenarios to improve generalization.
2. **Real-Time Application:** Optimizing the approach for real-time processing in surveillance and traffic monitoring systems.
3. **Integration with Advanced Techniques:** Combining deep learning-based background

subtraction with reinforcement learning for adaptive and self-improving models.

4. **Scalability and Efficiency:** Reducing computational costs to enable deployment on edge devices and mobile platforms.
5. **Cross-Domain Application:** Exploring applications in autonomous driving, medical imaging, and intelligent video analytics to broaden the impact of this research.

By addressing these limitations and exploring future directions, the proposed approach can contribute to more efficient, scalable, and adaptable background subtraction solutions across various real-world applications.

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