



# README: Player Re-Identification in Soccer Matches

## Overview

This project addresses the problem of player re-identification in soccer match videos. The objective is to assign consistent IDs to each player, even if they leave and reenter the frame at different points during the match.

## Setup Instructions

### Dependencies

Install the following Python packages:

```
pip install ultralytics opencv-python torch torchvision numpy scipy
```

### Directory Structure

```
project_root/
├── data/           # Input videos
├── models/yolo/best.pt # Provided YOLOv11 model
├── output/         # Annotated output videos
├── src/
│   ├── detector.py
│   ├── tracker.py
│   ├── feature_extractor.py
│   └── reidentifier.py
├── main.py
└── README.md
```

## How to Run

Make sure the YOLOv11 model is located at `models/yolo/best.pt` and the input video is in the `data/` directory. Run the following command from the project root:

```
python main.py --video data/sample.mp4 --output output/result.mp4 --yolo-weights models/yolo/best.pt
```

To quit the visualization window, press `q`.

## Notes

- The model assumes only two detection classes: player and ball.
- Each player is assigned a unique ID using a simple tracker and re-identification module.
- Cosine similarity of feature embeddings helps maintain consistency in identity assignment across frames.