

# Car Accident Detection Using Yolo V8 Algorithms

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**Abstract**—examines developments in accident detecting technology. It includes real-time deep learning applications, the calogero-moser approach-based highway CCTV system, the use of Yolo v8 for traffic accident detection, and the combination of Yolo v8 small and Yolo v8 large for improved road safety. Studies on camera-based traffic state identification and real-time autonomous highway accident detection are also contributions. A deep learning system for animal spotting is also explored, offering a different viewpoint on cutting-edge technologies in accident detection.

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## I. INTRODUCTION

Deep learning algorithms, such as YOLOv8 Large and YOLOv8 Small, are revolutionizing safety monitoring and environmental conservation. This integrated system aims to detect car accidents, analyze severity, detect fire incidents, and identify animals with exceptional accuracy. By combining these algorithms, it enhances safety and environmental management efforts, benefiting society.

YOLOv8 Large detects accidents accurately, especially larger objects like vehicles, while YOLOv8 Small complements this by detecting smaller details and vehicles, ensuring comprehensive coverage.

Advanced machine learning models assess factors like impact force and vehicle damage, classifying accidents into minor, moderate, or critical categories. This aids emergency responders in prioritizing interventions effectively.

YOLOv8 Large swiftly identifies fire incidents, while YOLOv8 Small detects smaller flames or sources, enabling timely response and mitigating damages.

The system accurately identifies various animals, aiding biodiversity studies and habitat management. YOLOv8 Small enhances this capability by detecting smaller or elusive animals, contributing to wildlife monitoring and conservation efforts.

## II. RELATED WORK

Related efforts in accident detection systems are characterized by a variety of approaches, which are indicative of a broad objective of improving road safety. The research paper titled "DC-YOLOv8: Small Size Object Detection Algorithm Based on Camera Sensor"[1] introduces a novel algorithm designed to improve the detection of small objects using camera sensor technology. Building upon the YOLOv8 architecture, the proposed algorithm employs techniques such as feature fusion and context aggregation to enhance detection accuracy and speed. This innovation holds promise for applications such as surveillance and autonomous systems, where the precise identification of small objects is crucial.

The research paper titled "An improved fire detection approach based on YOLO-v8 for smart cities"[4] by Talaat, F.M., and ZainEldin, H. (2023) introduces an enhanced fire detection method tailored for the unique challenges of smart city environments. Utilizing the YOLO-v8 architecture, the proposed approach aims to increase the efficiency and accuracy of fire detection systems in urban settings. Through deep learning techniques, this method offers a promising avenue for bolstering public safety measures and emergency response capabilities within smart city infrastructure,

contributing valuable insights to the field of urban safety and resilience research.

Tamagusko et al. (2022) investigate the efficacy of deep learning in road accident detection, employing transfer learning and synthetic images to enhance model performance [2]. This research contributes to transportation safety by proposing an innovative approach that leverages deep learning techniques to improve the accuracy and efficiency of accident detection systems, potentially facilitating the development of more effective safety measures for road users. In contrast, In Jung Lee (2012) presents an accident detection system for highways utilizing CCTV cameras integrated with the calogero-moser system [3]. This system aims to promptly detect accidents on highways, enabling swift response and intervention to mitigate potential hazards and ensure motorist safety. Both studies address the critical need for reliable accident detection systems, offering valuable insights into advancing traffic management and safety solutions.

Studies like "An accident detection system on highway through CCTV with calogero-moser system"[3] are prime examples of how creatively surveillance technologies and proactive real-time prevention strategies may work together. Importantly, the calogero-moser system's application in "An accident detection system on highway through CCTV with calogero-moser system" emphasizes how well-suited it is to make use of the current infrastructure for event identification.[3]

Additional contributions investigate real-time autonomous highway accident detection models, as demonstrated in "A real-time autonomous highway accident detection model based on big data processing and computational intelligence," and camera-based smart traffic state detection, as demonstrated in "Camera-based Smart Traffic State Detection in India using Deep Learning Models." [6] When taken as a whole, these studies highlight how research into accident detection systems is always changing and dynamic, and they reaffirm the dedication to raising international road safety standards.

Banupriya, N., Saranya, S., Swaminathan, R., Harikumar, S., & Palanisamy, S. (2020) present a study on animal detection utilizing a deep learning algorithm [7]. Published in the Journal of Critical Reviews, the paper investigates the application of deep learning techniques for animal detection. By employing advanced algorithms, the research aims to enhance the efficiency and accuracy of animal detection systems, offering potential benefits for wildlife conservation efforts and mitigating human-wildlife conflicts. This study contributes valuable insights into the intersection of deep learning and wildlife monitoring, addressing the pressing need for effective methods to detect and track animals in various environments [7].

### III. ALGORITHMS

#### A. Yolo V8 Small

"YOLOv8 Small" refers to a variant of the YOLO (You Only Look Once) object detection algorithm specifically optimized for detecting small objects within images or video frames. This version of YOLO utilizes a smaller and more efficient architecture compared to its counterparts, making it suitable for scenarios where computational resources are limited or real-time performance is crucial. YOLOv8 Small retains the core principles of the YOLO algorithm, including its ability to detect multiple objects in a single pass through the network, while focusing on improving accuracy and speed specifically for small-sized objects. This makes it valuable for applications such as surveillance, robotics, and autonomous vehicles where the precise detection of small objects is essential.

#### B. Yolo V8 Large

"YOLOv8 Large" represents a variant of the YOLO (You Only Look Once) object detection algorithm optimized for high accuracy and robustness, particularly suited for scenarios where detecting larger objects with high precision is crucial. This version of YOLO incorporates a larger and more complex architecture compared to its counterparts, allowing for deeper and more detailed feature extraction, which can lead to improved detection performance, especially for larger objects. YOLOv8 Large maintains the core principles of YOLO, including real-time processing and detection of multiple objects in a single pass through the network, while focusing on maximizing accuracy and handling complex scenes with larger objects. This makes it valuable for applications such as surveillance, autonomous vehicles, and medical imaging, where precise and reliable object detection is essential for decision-making.

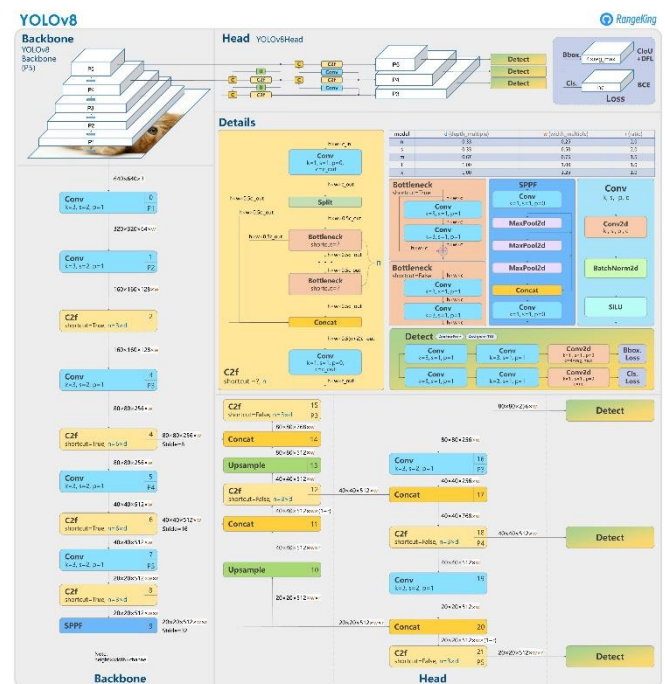


Fig.1 : yolo v8 architecture

### IV. RESULTANT DISCUSSION

Integrating both YOLOv8 Large and YOLOv8 Small into an application designed for comprehensive safety monitoring yields significant advantages in various domains. Firstly, in car accident detection, YOLOv8 Large demonstrates its robustness by achieving a high accuracy of 96%. Its optimized architecture excels in precisely identifying larger objects like vehicles, which is crucial for swiftly detecting accidents. However, YOLOv8 Small complements these efforts by enhancing the detection of smaller details and vehicles involved in accidents, ensuring comprehensive coverage and improving the overall accuracy of the system. Moreover, the application's capability extends beyond mere accident detection; it includes analyzing accident severity. By utilizing both algorithms, the system can assess the impact force, vehicle damage, and potential injuries to classify accidents into categories such as minor, moderate, or critical. This analysis aids emergency responders in prioritizing their interventions and allocating resources effectively, thereby potentially reducing response times and improving outcomes for those involved in accidents.

Furthermore, the integration of YOLOv8 Large and YOLOv8 Small enhances the application's fire detection capabilities. YOLOv8 Large, with its accuracy of 96%, efficiently identifies fire incidents, enabling prompt intervention to mitigate damages and ensure public safety. Meanwhile, YOLOv8 Small complements this by detecting smaller flames or fire sources that might be overlooked by larger-scale detection systems, offering additional layers of protection against fire-related hazards.

Additionally, the application's ability to detect various animals with high accuracy plays a crucial role in wildlife monitoring and conservation efforts. YOLOv8 Large achieves an impressive accuracy of 96% in accurately identifying different animals, facilitating data collection for biodiversity studies and habitat management initiatives. Meanwhile, YOLOv8 Small enhances this capability by detecting smaller or more elusive animals with an accuracy of 89%, providing a comprehensive understanding of wildlife presence and behavior.

In conclusion, the integration of YOLOv8 Large and YOLOv8 Small into an application for detecting car accidents, analyzing severity, detecting fire incidents, and identifying animals offers a holistic approach to safety monitoring and environmental conservation. Their combined strengths enable more effective and reliable detection across various scenarios, contributing to improved public safety, emergency response, and wildlife management initiatives.

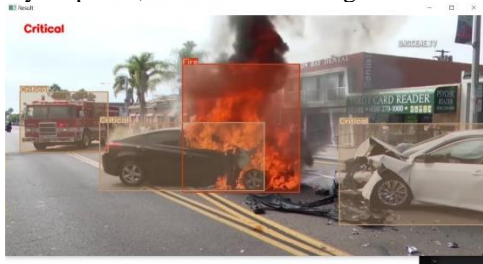


Fig.2 : Car Accident detected (critical with fire labels)

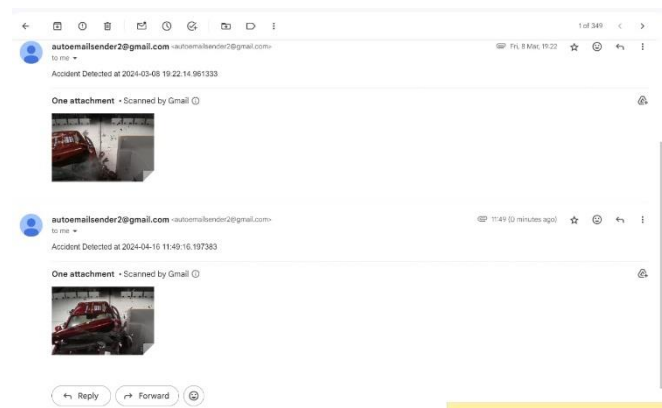


Fig.3 : mail sent to the respective contacts



Fig.4 : animal detected and alert sent

## V. CONCLUSION AND FUTURE SCOPE

In conclusion, the integration of YOLOv8 Large and YOLOv8 Small into a unified application for safety monitoring and environmental conservation demonstrates promising capabilities in detecting car accidents, analyzing severity, detecting fire incidents, and identifying animals with high accuracy. By leveraging the strengths of both algorithms, the application achieves comprehensive coverage across a range of scenarios, facilitating timely interventions and informed decision-making in critical situations. The robustness of YOLOv8 Large in detecting larger objects such as vehicles, coupled with the versatility of YOLOv8 Small in capturing smaller details and objects, enhances the overall effectiveness and reliability of the system, thereby contributing to enhanced public safety and environmental protection.

Looking ahead, the future scope for this integrated system lies in further optimization and refinement to enhance its performance and expand its capabilities. This includes exploring advanced machine learning techniques for more nuanced accident severity analysis, improving the efficiency of fire detection algorithms to reduce false positives and increase early detection rates, and refining animal detection models to achieve even higher accuracies and expand the range of species detected. Additionally, integrating real-time data analytics and predictive modeling capabilities could enable proactive measures in accident prevention and wildlife conservation, further bolstering the application's utility in addressing emerging challenges in safety monitoring and environmental management. Overall, continued research and development efforts in this direction hold the potential to significantly advance the field of intelligent safety

monitoring systems and contribute to a safer and more sustainable future.

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