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## **Machine Learning + Computer Vision Project**

**Group - 11**

### **Week-2: Progress Report**

#### **Project title:**

Evaluate performance of various object detection techniques (in case of small objects) on AU Drone dataset.

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## **Task performed in this week:**

In the previous week, our group tried to understand the research paper 'QueryDet: Cascaded Sparse Query for Accelerating High-Resolution Small Object Detection' by Chenhongyi Yang, Zehao Huang, and Naiyan Wang.

The dataset the researchers have used to detect smaller objects are as follows:

- Visdrone
- COCO dataset

## **Summary of the research paper:**

Main points the research paper regarding the Query-Det we have looked through to get an understanding and we observed it optimize the detection of small objects with better precision:

Why do we use Query-Det:

Main motivation (Two key observations):

1. The computation on low-level features is highly redundant.  
In most cases, the spatial distribution of small objects is very sparse: they occupy only a few portions of the high-resolution feature maps; hence a large amount of computation is wasted.
2. The feature pyramids are highly structured.  
Though we cannot accurately detect small objects in low-resolution feature maps, we can still infer their existence and rough locations with high confidence.

In simple terms, Query-Det first detects the large object in low resolution with fast speed, and other parts of the image further go for detection with high resolution for small object detection.

## **The task to be performed in the next week:**

- Try to start understanding the coding part of this paper and other coding parts we need.
- Use vis-drone data on a simple object detection model to evaluate one performance matrix and for other visualization, which can help to understand the topic better for the mid-sem presentation.

## References:

- <https://arxiv.org/abs/2103.09136>
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