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## **Introduction**

Plastic pollution in marine environments has become a significant global concern. Efficient detection methods are essential to identify and mitigate underwater plastic waste. This project employs YOLOv (You Only Look Once), a state-of-the-art object detection algorithm, to detect plastic pollution in underwater images.

## **Objectives**

- To develop an automated detection system for underwater plastic pollution using YOLOv.
- To evaluate the system's performance in terms of accuracy, precision, and recall.
- To visualize and interpret detection results.

## **Methodology**

### **Environment Setup**

The project was implemented using Python in a Jupyter Notebook environment. Key libraries and tools included:

- **YOLOv**: Object detection framework.
- **Ultralytics**: YOLO implementation.
- **Matplotlib & OpenCV**: For data visualization and image processing.

### **Dataset**

- **Dataset Resource**:  
<https://www.kaggle.com/datasets/arnavs19/underwater-plastic-pollution-detection/data>

## Model Training

- **Model Configuration:**
  - Input image size: 640x640 pixels
  - Number of classes: 15 (plastic objects)
- **Training Parameters:**
  - Learning rate: 0.01
  - Batch size: 16
  - Epochs: 25

**Training Process:** The YOLOv model was trained using GPU acceleration to speed up the process. During training, loss values were monitored to ensure the model's convergence.

## Model Evaluation

- **Metrics Used:**
  - Precision: Measures the proportion of correctly identified plastic objects out of all detections.
  - Recall: Measures the proportion of actual plastic objects detected by the model.
  - mAP (Mean Average Precision): Evaluates the overall detection performance across different confidence thresholds.

## Results

### Detection Performance

The model achieved the following performance metrics:

- **Precision:** 0.65
- **Recall:** 0.63
- **mAP:** 0.67

### Visualization of Results

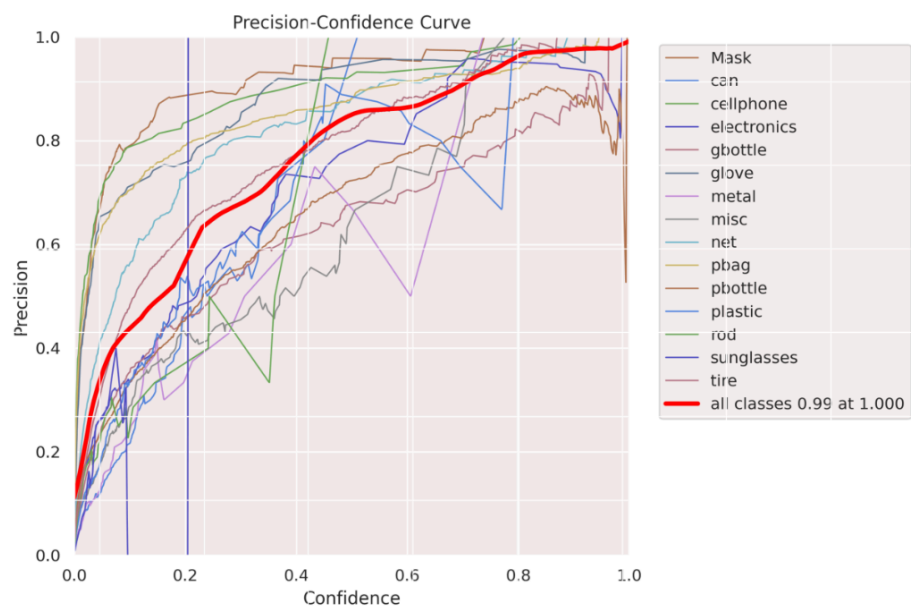
Below are examples of the detection results, where bounding boxes highlight detected plastic objects:

### YOLOv8 configuration:

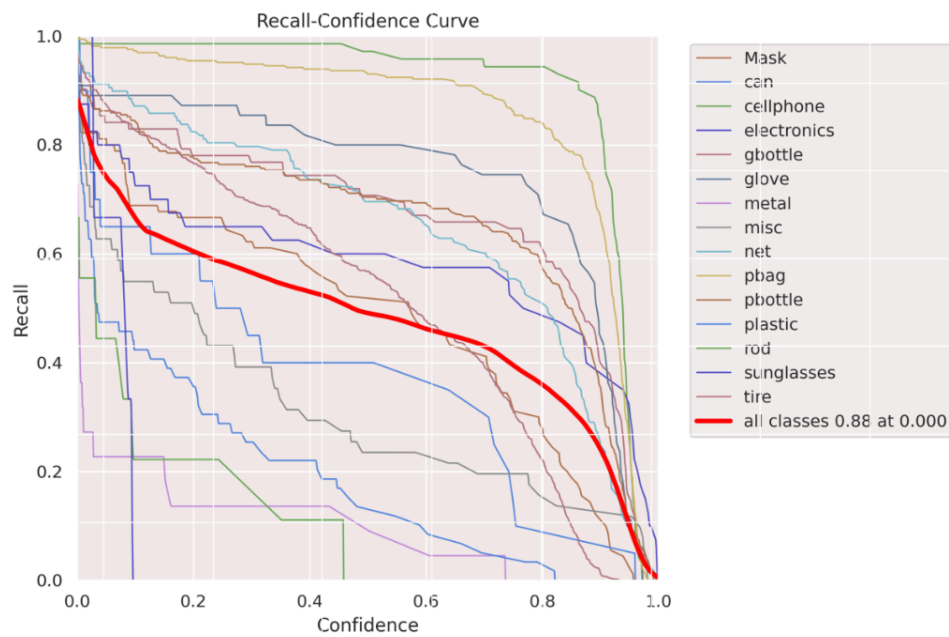


### Training performance metrics:

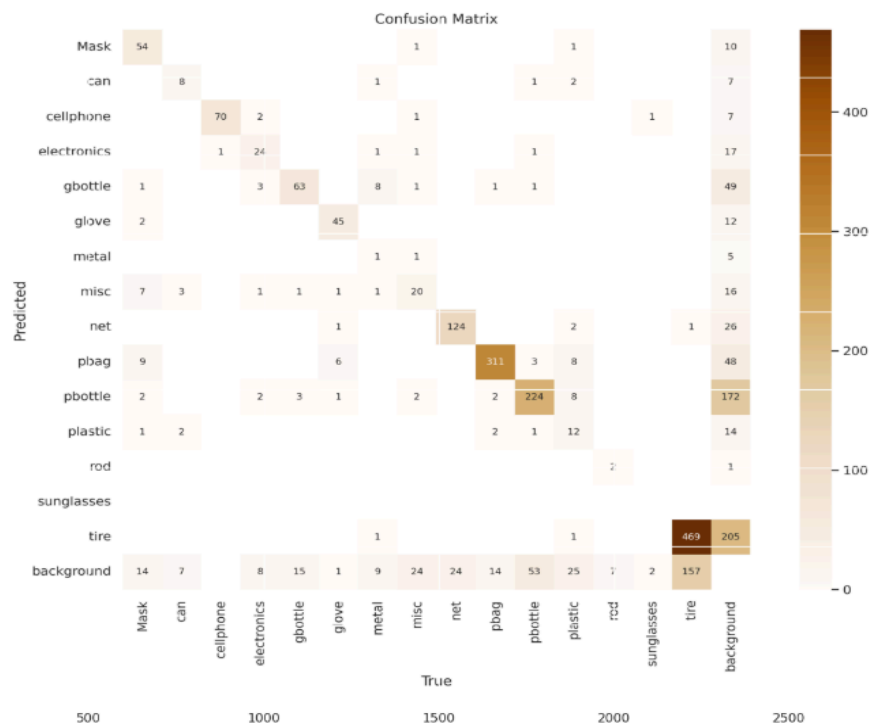
#### Precision Confidence Curve:



**Recall Confidence Curve:**

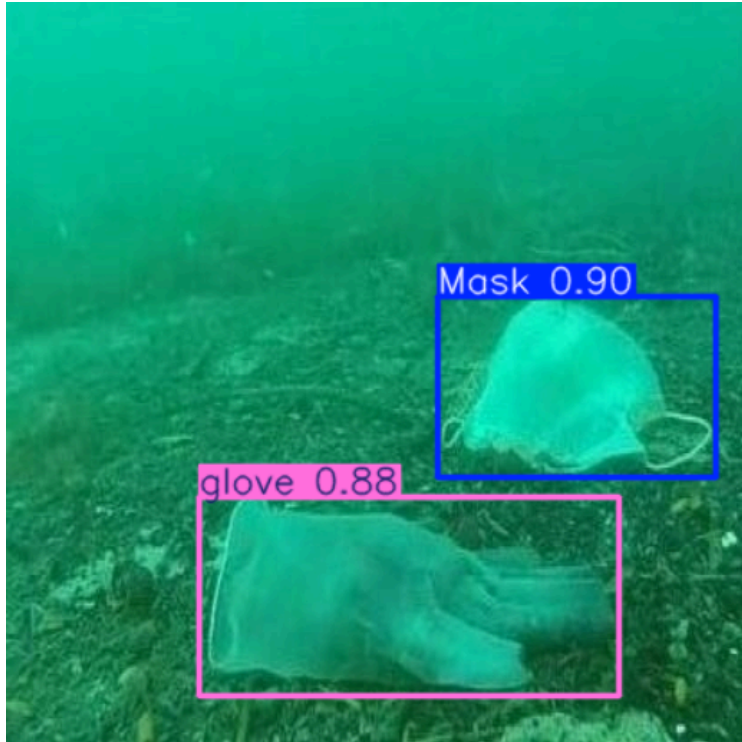


**Confusion matrix:**

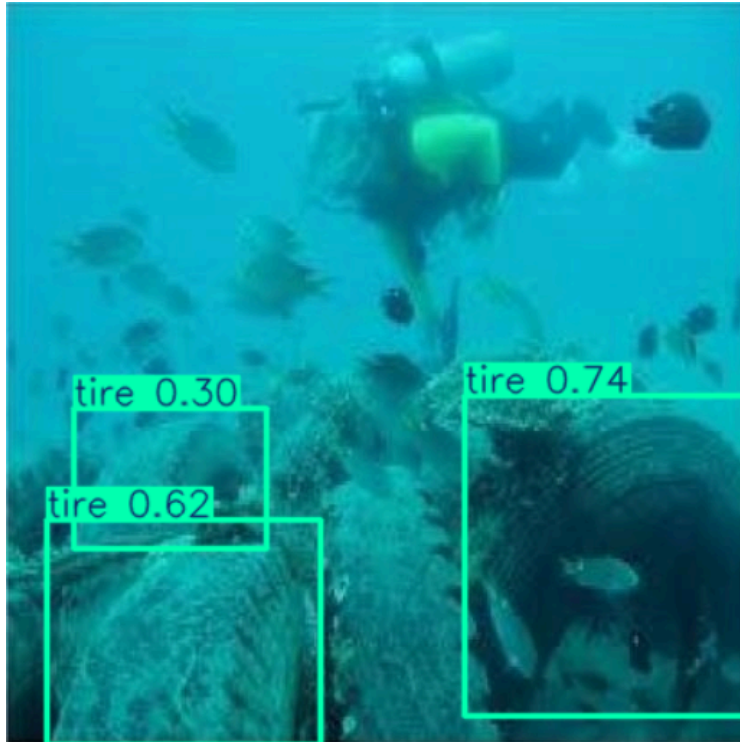


Visual inspection and use of fine-tuned YOLOv8 first-hand:









These visualizations demonstrate the model's ability to accurately detect and localize plastic objects in underwater environments.

## Conclusion

The YOLOv-based system demonstrated promising results in detecting underwater plastic pollution, achieving high precision and recall. This approach provides an efficient, automated solution for monitoring marine environments.

## Future Work

- Incorporate additional data from diverse underwater environments to improve generalizability.
- Optimize model performance under varying lighting and turbidity conditions.
- Explore integration with robotic systems for real-time underwater cleanup operations.