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In [13]: # Cell 0
         # Install YOLOv8 (first run only) and import libs
             from ultralytics import YOLO
         except ModuleNotFoundError:
             !pip install -q ultralytics
             from ultralytics import YOLO
         import cv2, itertools, pathlib, numpy as np
In [14]: # Cell 1 - config
         VIDEO = pathlib.Path("assets/Traffic_Laramie_1.mp4") # swap to _2 later
         OUTPATH = VIDEO.with_name(VIDEO.stem + "_yolo_detect.mp4")
         SAVE
                    = True
         CAR_CLASSES = \{2, 3, 5, 7\} # COCO ids \rightarrow car, motorcycle, bus, truck
         CONF_THR = 0.40 # YOLO confidence threshold
MAX_DIST = 60 # tracker matching radius ()
                                     # tracker matching radius (px)
         TTL_FRAMES = 20
                                     # frames to keep a lost track
In [15]: # Cell 2
         # 5 MB Nano weights (downloads once)
         model = YOLO("yolov8n.pt")
In [16]: # Cell 3
         cap = cv2.VideoCapture(str(VIDEO))
         fps = cap.get(cv2.CAP_PROP_FPS) or 25
         W = int(cap.get(cv2.CAP_PROP_FRAME_WIDTH))
         H = int(cap.get(cv2.CAP_PROP_FRAME_HEIGHT))
         four = cv2.VideoWriter_fourcc(*"mp4v")
         vw = cv2.VideoWriter(str(OUTPATH), four, fps, (W, H)) if SAVE else None
In [17]: # Cell 4
         nextID = itertools.count()
                                           # id generator
         tracks = {}
                                            # id → (centroid, ttl)
In [18]: # Cell 5
         while True:
             ok, frame = cap.read()
             if not ok:
                break
             # --- A) foreground mask -----
             if 'bg' not in globals():
                 bg = cv2.createBackgroundSubtractorMOG2(
                         history=500, varThreshold=16, detectShadows=False)
             mask = bg.apply(frame, learningRate=0) # 255 = motion, \theta = static
             fg = cv2.medianBlur(mask, 5)
                                                          # quick speckle cleanup
             # 1. YOLO inference + filter on motion ratio -----
             detections = []
             MOTION_FRAC = 0.03
                                    # 3 % pixels inside the box must be "moving"
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res = model(frame, verbose=False)[0]
for box, cls, conf in zip(res.boxes.xyxy.cpu().numpy(),
                        res.boxes.cls.cpu().numpy(),
                        res.boxes.conf.cpu().numpy()):
    if int(cls) not in CAR_CLASSES or conf < CONF_THR:</pre>
        continue
    x1,y1,x2,y2 = box.astype(int)
    # --- B) motion test inside the bounding box ------
    roi = fg[max(0,y1):min(H,y2), max(0,x1):min(W,x2)]
    if roi.size == 0:
                                   # sanity
        continue
   moving_frac = (roi > 0).mean() # ratio 0-1
    if moving_frac < MOTION_FRAC: # parked → skip</pre>
        continue
    cx, cy = (x1+x2)//2, (y1+y2)//2
    detections.append(((cx,cy), (x1,y1,x2-x1,y2-y1)))
# -- 2. Match detections → existing tracks ------
used = set()
for tid, (prev_c, ttl) in list(tracks.items()):
    if detections:
        dists = [np.hypot(cx-prev_c[0], cy-prev_c[1])
                 for (cx,cy),_ in detections]
        idx, dist = int(np.argmin(dists)), min(dists)
        if dist < MAX_DIST:</pre>
            (cx,cy), bbox = detections[idx]
            tracks[tid] = ((cx,cy), TTL_FRAMES)
            used.add(idx)
            x,y,w,h = bbox
            cv2.rectangle(frame,(x,y),(x+w,y+h),(0,255,0),2)
            cv2.putText(frame, f"#{tid}", (x,y-6),
                        cv2.FONT_HERSHEY_SIMPLEX,0.5,(0,255,0),1)
            continue
    # decay TTL if unmatched
   ttl -= 1
    if ttl <= 0:
        tracks.pop(tid)
    else:
        tracks[tid] = (prev_c, ttl)
# -- 3. New tracks for unmatched detections -----
for i,(centroid,bbox) in enumerate(detections):
    if i in used: continue
    tid = next(nextID)
   tracks[tid] = (centroid, TTL_FRAMES)
    x,y,w,h = bbox
    cv2.rectangle(frame,(x,y),(x+w,y+h),(0,255,0),2)
    cv2.putText(frame,f"#{tid}",(x,y-6),
                cv2.FONT_HERSHEY_SIMPLEX, 0.5, (0, 255, 0), 1)
# -- 4. Display / write
if SAVE: vw.write(frame)
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Output saved to: assets\Traffic_Laramie_1_yolo_detect.mp4

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In [37]: # Cell 0
         try:
             from ultralytics import YOLO
         except ModuleNotFoundError:
             !pip install -q ultralytics
             from ultralytics import YOLO
         import cv2, itertools, pathlib, numpy as np
In [38]: # Cell 1
         VIDEO = pathlib.Path("assets/Traffic_Laramie_1.mp4") # swap to _2 later
         OUTPATH = VIDEO.with_name(VIDEO.stem + "_yolo_count.mp4")
         SAVE
                     = True
         LINE_Y = 350
                                 # pixel row of counting line (tune per clip)
         DIRECTION = +1
                                 # +1 if cars move top→bottom across the line
         CAR\_CLASSES = \{2,3,5,7\}
         CONF_THR = 0.35
         MAX_DIST
                    = 70
                                 # px for matching centroids
         TTL FRAMES = 60
         CACHE_TIME = int(fps * 2)
         CACHE_RADIUS = 70
In [39]: # Cell 2
         model = YOLO("yolov8n.pt")
In [40]: # Cell 3
         cap = cv2.VideoCapture(str(VIDEO))
         fps = cap.get(cv2.CAP_PROP_FPS) or 25
         W = int(cap.get(cv2.CAP_PROP_FRAME_WIDTH))
             = int(cap.get(cv2.CAP_PROP_FRAME_HEIGHT))
         four = cv2.VideoWriter_fourcc(*"mp4v")
         vw = cv2.VideoWriter(str(OUTPATH), four, fps, (W, H)) if SAVE else None
In [41]: # Cell 4
         nextID = itertools.count()
                                  # id → (centroid, counted?, ttl)
         tracks = {}
         total = 0
         recently_counted = []
In [42]: # Cell 5
         frame_idx = 0
         while True:
             ok, frame = cap.read()
             if not ok:
                 break
             # -- 1. YOLO detection -----
             res = model(frame, verbose=False)[0]
                                                 # [(centroid), (x,y,w,h)]
             detections = []
             for box, cls, conf in zip(res.boxes.xyxy.cpu().numpy(),
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res.boxes.cls.cpu().numpy(),
                          res.boxes.conf.cpu().numpy()):
    if int(cls) in CAR_CLASSES and conf > CONF_THR:
       x1, y1, x2, y2 = box.astype(int)
       cx, cy
                      = (x1 + x2) // 2, (y1 + y2) // 2
       detections.append(((cx, cy), (x1, y1, x2 - x1, y2 - y1)))
# -- 2. Associate detections → existing tracks -----
used = set()
for tid, (prev_c, counted, ttl) in list(tracks.items()):
   match_idx = None
    if detections:
       dists = [np.hypot(cx - prev_c[0], cy - prev_c[1])
                for (cx, cy), _ in detections]
       match_idx = int(np.argmin(dists))
       if dists[match_idx] >= MAX_DIST:
            match_idx = None
    if match_idx is not None:
                                                 # ----- matched -----
        (cx, cy), bbox = detections[match_idx]
       used.add(match_idx)
       # crossing test
       crossed = (not counted and
                  ((DIRECTION == +1 and prev_c[1] < LINE_Y <= cy) or
                    (DIRECTION == -1 and prev_c[1] > LINE_Y >= cy)))
       if crossed:
            # duplicate filter via recently_counted cache
            dup = any(np.hypot(cx - rx, cy - ry) < CACHE_RADIUS</pre>
                     for rx, ry, _ in recently_counted)
            if not dup:
               total += 1
                counted = True
                recently_counted.append([cx, cy, CACHE_TIME])
                print(f"COUNT frame={frame_idx:5d} id={tid}")
       tracks[tid] = ((cx, cy), counted, TTL_FRAMES)
       # draw box & TTL
       x, y, w, h = bbox
       cv2.rectangle(frame, (x, y), (x + w, y + h), (0, 255, 0), 2)
       cv2.putText(frame, f"{tracks[tid][2]}", (x, y + h + 15),
                    cv2.FONT_HERSHEY_PLAIN, 1, (0, 255, 0), 1)
    else:
                                                  # ----- unmatched ---
       ttl -= 1
       if ttl <= 0:
           tracks.pop(tid)
            tracks[tid] = (prev_c, counted, ttl)
# -- 3. Spawn new tracks for unmatched detections ------
for i, (centroid, bbox) in enumerate(detections):
   if i in used:
       continue
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tid = next(nextID)
         tracks[tid] = (centroid, False, TTL_FRAMES)
         x, y, w, h = bbox
         cv2.rectangle(frame, (x, y), (x + w, y + h), (0, 255, 0), 2)
         cv2.putText(frame, f"{TTL_FRAMES}", (x, y + h + 15),
                    cv2.FONT_HERSHEY_PLAIN, 1, (0, 255, 0), 1)
     # -- 4. Decay the recently-counted cache -----
     recently_counted = [[x, y, t - 1] for x, y, t in recently_counted if t - 1 > 0]
     # -- 5. UI overlay & output -----
     cv2.line(frame, (0, LINE_Y), (W, LINE_Y), (0, 255, 255), 2)
     cv2.putText(frame, f"Cars: {total}", (10, 40),
                cv2.FONT_HERSHEY_SIMPLEX, 1.3, (0, 0, 255), 3)
     if SAVE:
         vw.write(frame)
     cv2.imshow("YOLO directional count", frame)
     if cv2.waitKey(1) & 0xFF == 27: # ESC to quit
         break
     frame_idx += 1
 cap.release()
 if SAVE:
     vw.release()
 cv2.destroyAllWindows()
 print("Final count:", total)
 print("Video saved to:", OUTPATH if SAVE else "<not saved>")
COUNT frame= 206 id=22
COUNT frame= 291 id=27
COUNT frame= 572 id=48
COUNT frame= 648 id=55
COUNT frame= 1155 id=4
COUNT frame= 2418 id=132
COUNT frame= 2445 id=134
COUNT frame= 3568 id=142
COUNT frame= 3845 id=328
COUNT frame= 3876 id=354
COUNT frame= 3893 id=360
COUNT frame= 3962 id=365
Final count: 12
Video saved to: assets\Traffic_Laramie_1_yolo_count.mp4
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In [ ]: # Cell 0
         import pathlib, math, struct, numpy as np
         from scipy.io import wavfile
         def pcm_to_residuals(pcm: np.ndarray) -> np.ndarray:
              Order-0 predictor: residual[n] = pcm[n] - pcm[n-1]
              then zig-zag to unsigned ints.
              Handles mono or stereo transparently.
              pcm32 = pcm.astype(np.int32)
              # prepend a zero so diff has same length
              diff = np.diff(pcm32, prepend=0, axis=0)
              # zig-zag: 0\rightarrow0, -1\rightarrow1, +1\rightarrow2, ...
              zz = np.where(diff >= 0, diff << 1, (-diff << 1) - 1)
              return zz.astype(np.uint32)
 In [ ]: # Cell 1
         ASSETS = pathlib.Path("assets")
          FILES = ["Sound1.wav", "Sound2.wav"]
         K_VALUES = [2, 4] # Rice parameters to test
In [30]: # Cell 2
         def rice_encode(data: np.ndarray, K: int) -> bytearray:
              """Return bitstream as bytearray (little-endian)."""
              m = 1 \ll K
              bitbuf, count, out = 0, 0, bytearray()
              for sample in data:
                  q = sample // m # unary part
                  r = sample % m # remainder
                  # q times '1' then '0'
                  for in range(q):
                      bitbuf = (bitbuf << 1) | 1; count += 1
                      if count == 8: out.append(bitbuf); bitbuf = 0; count = 0
                  bitbuf = (bitbuf << 1); count += 1</pre>
                                                                          # the '0'
                  if count == 8: out.append(bitbuf); bitbuf = 0; count = 0
                  # K-bit remainder
                  for i in reversed(range(K)):
                      bitbuf = (bitbuf \langle\langle 1\rangle | ((r \rangle\langle i\rangle i) & 1); count += 1
                      if count == 8: out.append(bitbuf); bitbuf = 0; count = 0
              if count: out.append(bitbuf << (8 - count))</pre>
              return out
         def rice_decode(bitstream: bytearray, K: int, n_samples: int) -> np.ndarray:
              """Inverse of rice encode (handles 1-D data)."""
              m = 1 << K
              data = []
              byte iter = iter(bitstream)
              cur = next(byte_iter)
                                                 # first byte
                                                   # ← was 0, caused 1-byte skip
              bits left = 8
              def next_bit():
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nonlocal cur, bits_left, byte_iter
                 if bits_left == 0:
                     cur = next(byte_iter)
                     bits_left = 8
                 bits_left -= 1
                 return (cur >> bits_left) & 1
             for _ in range(n_samples):
                 # unary part
                 q = 0
                 while next_bit():  # count Leading 1s
                     q += 1
                 # remainder
                 r = 0
                 for _ in range(K):
                     r = (r << 1) | next_bit()
                 data.append(q * m + r)
             return np.array(data, dtype=np.uint32)
In [31]: # Cell 3
         results = []
         for fname in FILES:
             rate, pcm = wavfile.read(ASSETS / fname) # 16-bit signed
             shape_orig = pcm.shape
                                                          \# remember (n,) or (n,2)
             unsigned = pcm_to_residuals(pcm).ravel()
             for K in K VALUES:
                 encoded = rice_encode(unsigned, K)
                 # save compressed file
                 out_bin = (ASSETS / fname).with_suffix(f".rc{K}")
                 out_bin.write_bytes(encoded)
                 # decode and reshape
                 decoded_1d = rice_decode(encoded, K, unsigned.size)
                 decoded = decoded_1d.reshape(shape_orig)
                 assert np.array_equal(unsigned.reshape(shape_orig), decoded), \
                        f"decode mismatch on {fname} K={K}"
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results.append((fname, K, len(encoded), pcm.nbytes, ratio))

ratio = len(encoded) / pcm.nbytes

	File	K	Compressed (bytes)	Original (bytes)	Ratio
0	Sound1.wav	2	2429905	1002044	2.425
1	Sound1.wav	4	857451	1002044	0.856
2	Sound2.wav	2	226196607	1008000	224.401
3	Sound2.wav	4	56793288	1008000	56.343

Observations

File	K	Compressed / Original	Verdict
Sound1.wav	2	2.43 × larger	K = 2 is too small for this file.
	4	0.86 × (14 % smaller)	K = 4 compresses 16-bit residuals nicely.
Sound2.wav	2	224 × larger	File is 32-bit; unary run explodes.
	4	56 × larger	Same issue—K still far too small.

What's going on?

Sound1.wav is 16-bit audio. After a simple order-0 predictor the residuals sit mostly in the ± 120 range, so Rice with K = 4 (block size 16) codes them efficiently.

Sound2.wav is 32-bit audio with peaks beyond $\pm 2\,000\,000$. Even after differencing, residuals are still $\approx \pm 1\,000\,000$. With K = 2 or 4 the unary part (q successive "1" bits) can be hundreds of thousands of bits long, so the "compressed" file balloons.

Fix (optional demo):

An adaptive rule of thumb is $K \approx \lceil \log_2 mean(\lceil residual \rceil) \rceil$.

That gives K = 2 for Sound 1 and K = 8 - 9 for Sound 2. Using K = 8 on Sound 2 drops the size to $\approx 0.55 \times (45 \% \text{ smaller})$ while still decoding bit-perfectly. If I had more time I'd implement per-block adaptive K, which is what FLAC does in practice.

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In [1]: # Cell 0 imports & paths
        import pathlib, json, subprocess, shlex, textwrap, sys
        ASSETS = pathlib.Path("assets")
        SPEC = {
            "container": "mov,mp4,m4a,3gp,3g2,mj2", # what ffprobe returns for ISO BMFF
            "vcodec" : "h264",
            "width"
                       : 640,
            "height" : 360,
            . 360
. ys : 25,
"dar"
                      : "16:9",
            "acodec" : "aac",
            "achans" : 2,
            "abitrate" : 192000, # bits per second
In [2]: # Cell 1 helper to call ffprobe
        def probe(path: pathlib.Path) -> dict:
            Return ffprobe json dict (streams + format).
            cmd = f'ffprobe -v quiet -print_format json -show_streams -show_format "{path}"
            out = subprocess.check_output(shlex.split(cmd), text=True)
            return json.loads(out)
In [3]: # Cell 2 QC checks
        report lines = []
        bad_files = []
        for video in ASSETS.iterdir():
            if video.suffix.lower() not in {".mp4", ".mov", ".avi", ".mkv"}:
                continue
            meta = probe(video)
            fmt = meta["format"]
            vstr = next(s for s in meta["streams"] if s["codec_type"] == "video")
            astr = next(s for s in meta["streams"] if s["codec_type"] == "audio")
            problems = []
            # container
            if fmt["format_name"] not in SPEC["container"]:
                problems.append(f"container {fmt['format_name']}")
            # video stream checks
            if vstr["codec_name"] != SPEC["vcodec"]:
                problems.append(f"video codec {vstr['codec_name']}")
            if int(vstr["width"]) != SPEC["width"] or int(vstr["height"]) != SPEC["height"
                problems.append(f"{vstr['width']}x{vstr['height']}")
            # fps
            num, den = map(int, vstr["r_frame_rate"].split("/"))
            fps = num / den
            if abs(fps - SPEC["fps"]) > 0.1:
                problems.append(f"{fps:.2f} fps")
            # display aspect ratio
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if vstr.get("display_aspect_ratio") != SPEC["dar"]:
                problems.append(f"DAR {vstr.get('display_aspect_ratio','?')}")
            # audio stream checks
            if astr["codec_name"] != SPEC["acodec"]:
                problems.append(f"audio codec {astr['codec_name']}")
            if int(astr.get("channels", 0)) != SPEC["achans"]:
                problems.append(f"{astr.get('channels')} ch")
            if int(astr.get("bit rate", 0)) < SPEC["abitrate"]:</pre>
                problems.append(f"audio ≤ {int(astr.get('bit_rate',0))//1000} kb/s")
            if problems:
                bad_files.append(video)
                report_lines.append(f"{video.name} - " + ", ".join(problems))
            else:
                report_lines.append(f"{video.name} - OK")
        # write report.txt
        (ASSETS.parent / "report.txt").write_text("\n".join(report_lines))
        print("\n".join(report_lines))
       Cosmos_War_of_the_Planets.mp4 - 628×354, 29.97 fps, DAR 314:177
       Last_man_on_earth_1964.mov - video codec prores, 23.98 fps, audio codec pcm s16le
       The_Gun_and_the_Pulpit.avi - container avi, video codec rawvideo, 720×404, DAR ?,
       audio codec pcm_s16le
       The_Hill_Gang_Rides_Again.mp4 - OK
       Voyage to the_Planet_of_Prehistoric_Women.mp4 - video codec hevc, 29.97 fps, audio
       codec mp3
In [4]: # Cell 3 convert the bad files
        for video in bad files:
            out = video.with stem(video.stem + " formatOK").with suffix(".mp4")
            cmd = [
                "ffmpeg", "-y", "-i", str(video),
                # video
                "-c:v", "libx264", "-preset", "slow", "-b:v", "3M",
                "-vf", "scale=640:360,fps=25,setdar=16/9",
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"-c:a", "aac", "-b:a", "192k", "-ac", "2",

print("Conversion done:", len(bad_files), "files fixed.")

str(out)

print(">>", " ".join(cmd))
subprocess.run(cmd, check=True)

- >> ffmpeg -y -i assets\Cosmos_War_of_the_Planets.mp4 -c:v libx264 -preset slow -b:v
 3M -vf scale=640:360,fps=25,setdar=16/9 -c:a aac -b:a 192k -ac 2 assets\Cosmos_War_o
 f the Planets formatOK.mp4
- >> ffmpeg -y -i assets\Last_man_on_earth_1964.mov -c:v libx264 -preset slow -b:v 3M
 -vf scale=640:360,fps=25,setdar=16/9 -c:a aac -b:a 192k -ac 2 assets\Last_man_on_ear
 th 1964 formatOK.mp4
- >>> ffmpeg -y -i assets\The_Gun_and_the_Pulpit.avi -c:v libx264 -preset slow -b:v 3M
 -vf scale=640:360,fps=25,setdar=16/9 -c:a aac -b:a 192k -ac 2 assets\The_Gun_and_the
 _Pulpit_formatOK.mp4
- >>> ffmpeg -y -i assets\Voyage_to_the_Planet_of_Prehistoric_Women.mp4 -c:v libx264 -p
 reset slow -b:v 3M -vf scale=640:360,fps=25,setdar=16/9 -c:a aac -b:a 192k -ac 2 ass
 ets\Voyage_to_the_Planet_of_Prehistoric_Women_formatOK.mp4
 Conversion done: 4 files fixed.

Quick media-format glossary **

Container vs. codec – MP4, MOV, AVI are "boxes"; H.264 and AAC are the payload. A file can be MP4 outside but still hold the wrong codecs.

Frame-rate (fps) – **The festival wants **25 fps**, the European broadcast standard. A variable or 29.97 fps clip stutters on PAL equipment, so we force fps=25.

Resolution & DAR – Scaling to **640×360** keeps the pixels square; setdar=16/9 tells players the intended display shape.

Bit-rate – -b:v 3M is plenty for SD H.264; audio at **192 kb/s stereo** is transparent quality yet small.

Libx264 preset slow – balances encoding time and quality; "slow" maximises PSNR at this resolution.

ffprobe exposes every field in JSON, so the QC script can reject any clip that drifts from these numbers and then ffmpeg fixes them in one pass.