

DRIVEGUARD AI: Revolutionizing Road Safety

DriveGuard AI is an **AI-powered dashcam analysis platform** that uses computer vision and deep learning to detect risky driving, identify safety violations, and calculate performance scores.

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The Growing Road Safety Crisis

1.35M Annual Road Deaths

Global fatalities, with 90% caused by human error
(WHO, 2023).

Critical Gap

Fleets & insurers lack granular video evidence.

3% GDP Cost

Road traffic crashes cost most countries 3% of their GDP.

- ⓘ In India, 70% of 400,000+ annual accidents involve commercial vehicles, highlighting insufficient driver training and lack of real-time visibility for fleet managers.

Target Groups and Value Proposition



Commercial Fleets

Need real-time monitoring, objective driver scoring, and evidence collection. Helps in accident costs and lower insurance premiums.



Individual Drivers

Seek personalized feedback, skill improvement, and objective data to prove safe driving for potential insurance discounts.



Insurance Companies

Require objective data for Usage-Based Insurance (UBI), risk profiling, and claims verification to detect fraud.

Whitespace: The Gap in Existing Solutions

Identified Gaps

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GPS Dependency:
Unreliable or unavailable
in critical environments.

2

Video Analytics Complexity: Proprietary,
expensive, and hardware-
intensive.

3

Opaque Scoring: Driver
scores lack objective
evidence or actionable
feedback.

4

Lack of Multi-Tenant
Architecture: Inflexible
solutions for diverse
client needs.

DriveGuard AI's Contribution

Video to Driver Score: AI
transforms dashcam footage into
objective driver performance
metrics.

Events to Evidence: Automatically
links driving events to
corresponding video for irrefutable
proof.

Scalable by Design: Multi-tenant,
hardware-agnostic architecture
supports all client types.

Literature Review & Comparative Analysis

Author / Source	Focus Area	Contribution to DriveGuard AI
Ohn-Bar & Trivedi (2016)	Vision-based driver monitoring	Informed object and gesture detection
Doshi & Trivedi (2010)	Attention & intent estimation	Inspired temporal context modeling
Jain et al. (2016)	Sequential modeling (RNNs)	Influenced event continuity tracking
Ultralytics YOLOv8 (2024)	Real-time detection benchmark	Used for all visual detections
WHO, NHTSA Reports	Global road safety data	Motivated need for automated analytics

Comparative Insight:

While prior research focuses on specific detection or prediction aspects, DriveGuard AI integrates **detection**, **event extraction**, **scoring**, and **explainable visualization**.

Technology Stack

Full-Stack Architecture Overview

Our stack is designed for performance, maintainability, and GPU-accelerated processing.



Frontend

React + TypeScript + Vite UI

Backend API

Node.js + Express + Multer

AI Analysis

Python, PyTorch, YOLOv8, OpenCV

The Node.js backend uses a non-blocking I/O model and **Child Processes** to spawn the Python AI engine, ensuring the API remains responsive during long video analyses.

Frontend & Backend Rationale

Frontend: Speed & Accessibility

→ React + TypeScript

Component-based architecture with static typing for reduced runtime errors.

→ Vite + Tailwind CSS

Lightning-fast development server and utility-first styling for rapid UI development.

→ Recharts + Radix UI

Interactive data visualization and accessible, customizable UI components.

Backend: Performance & I/O

→ Node.js + Express

Non-blocking I/O for handling multiple concurrent file uploads efficiently.

→ Multer

Robust middleware for handling video file uploads (up to 500MB limit).

→ Child Process

Enables asynchronous execution of the Python AI engine in the background.

AI/ML Engine: Optimized for Speed

We leverage industry-leading libraries optimized for GPU acceleration to minimize processing time.



Python 3.8+

The standard language for AI/ML, providing a rich ecosystem of scientific libraries.



OpenCV

Used for core computer vision tasks: video reading, color space conversion, and optical flow.



PyTorch 2.0+

Provides native GPU acceleration (CUDA/MPS) for 10x faster model inference.



YOLOv8n

Chosen for its balance of accuracy (37.3% mAP) and speed (80 FPS), crucial for real-time video analysis.

- Performance Achieved: Analysis time for a 5-minute video is **8 minutes** (on Apple MPS), meeting our target of under 10 minutes.

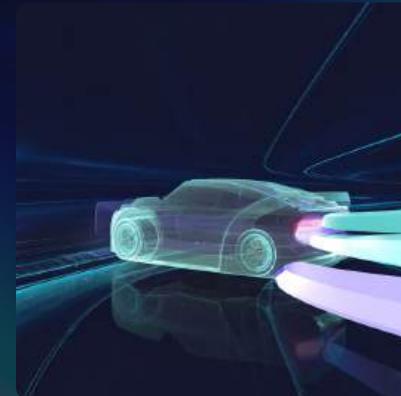
Research-Backed Innovation: Multi-Modal Analysis

DriveGuard AI fills the gap by fusing advanced computer vision techniques to provide a unified, comprehensive analysis.



Proximity Detection

Uses **YOLOv8** for object detection combined with custom depth estimation based on bounding box geometry.



Speed Estimation

Fuses **Optical Flow** (Farnebäck, 2003) and feature tracking for robust speed calculation (achieving $\pm 7 \text{ km/h}$ accuracy).



Traffic Compliance

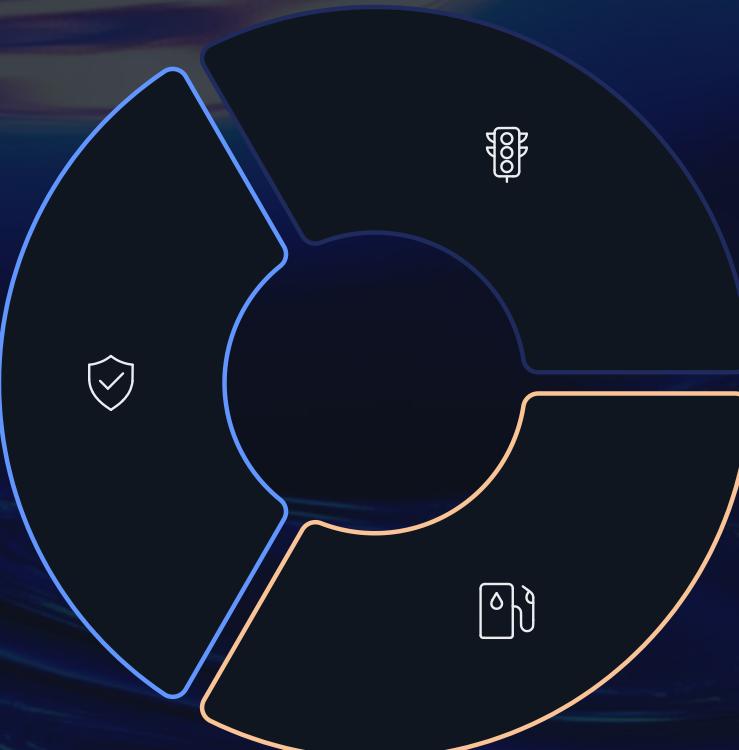
Utilizes **HSV Color Space** and temporal validation for 94% accurate traffic light and bus lane violation detection.

The Actionable Scoring System

We use a weighted scoring algorithm aligned with insurance industry standards to provide clear, actionable feedback.

Safety Score (50%)

Focuses on close encounters and collision avoidance metrics.



Compliance Score (30%)

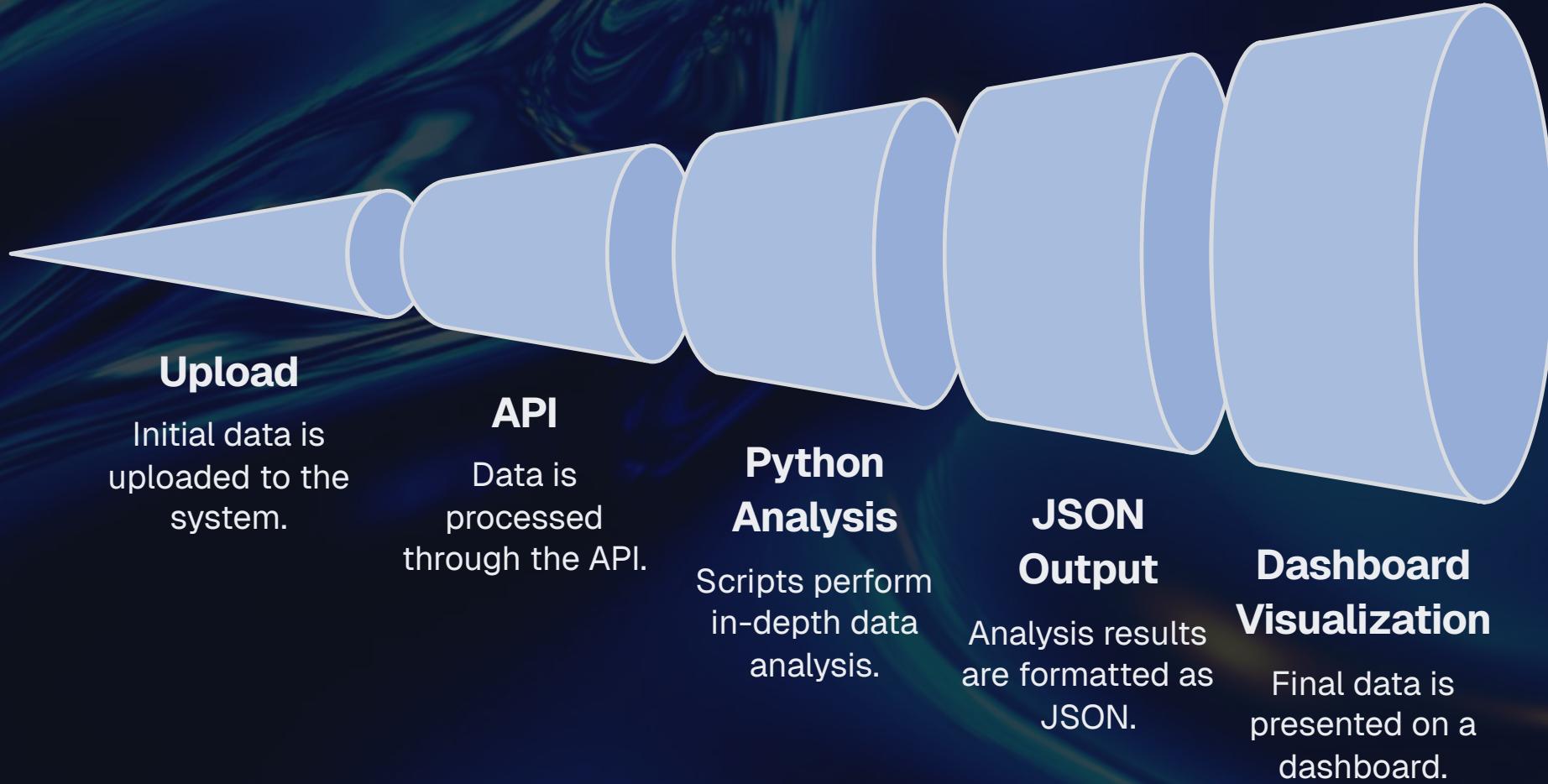
Measures adherence to traffic laws and lane discipline.

Efficiency Score (20%)

Evaluates smooth driving, minimizing aggressive lane changes and braking.

- The system provides **Explainable AI** with exact timestamps and annotated frames for every incident, enabling targeted driver training.

Workflow:



Platform UI

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AI-Powered Driver Analysis Platform

DRIVEGUARD AI

AI-powered driver behavior analysis for insurance, fleets, and individual drivers

Try Free Analysis Watch Demo

No Setup Required Instant Results Enterprise Ready

How DRIVEGUARD AI Works

Our advanced AI technology analyzes driving videos to provide comprehensive behavioral insights.

Driver Behavior Analysis

Upload a driving video to get detailed analysis of driver performance, safety metrics, and behavior patterns.

Drop your driving video here

Support for MP4, MOV, AVI files up to 500MB

Choose File

Analysis Features

- Speed Pattern Analysis
- Lane Change Detection
- Braking Behavior
- Safety Violations
- Risk Assessment

DRIVEGUARD AI

Video: Dashcam002.mp4

Analysis Results Video Playback Reports & Export

Trip Information Date: 10/10/2025 Duration: 0m29s Driver: JATIN OP Vehicle: TEST-001

Analysis Results

Comprehensive evaluation of driving performance and safety

Driving Score: 94 (Excellent)

Performance Breakdown: Safety 88/100, Efficiency 98/100, Compliance 100/100

Performance Metrics

Detailed breakdown of driving performance indicators for Dashcam002.mp4

Average Speed: 19 km/h (Within limit)	Total Turns: 4 turns (0 left, 4 right)	Close Encounters: 1 events (Safe distance maintained)	Lane Changes: 1 changes (1 left, 0 right)
Traffic Violations: 0 violations (No violations)	Bus Lane Violations: 0 violations (No violations)	Overall Violations: 0 total (0 safety concerns)	Video Duration: 30 sec (25 FPS)

Detailed Analysis Charts

Visual insights from Dashcam002.mp4

Speed vs Time (Interactive)

Avg: 18.00 km/h

Close Encounter Severity: 0.34

Speed Trend: 20.5 Max Speed (km/h), 18.8 Avg Speed (km/h), 1 Safety Events

Safety Violations Breakdown: Close Encounters: 1, Lane Changes: 1

Traffic Signals: 0, Close Encounters: 1, Lane Changes: 1, Bus Lane: 0

Executive Summary

This driver demonstrated excellent driving performance with an overall score of 94. Only 1 close encounter was detected. Complete compliance with traffic regulations was observed.

Key Findings:

- Average speed of 18.00 km/h in urban traffic.
- Only 1 close encounter was detected, showing good hazard perception.
- 1 lane change was made, indicating efficient navigation.
- 4 turns were executed during the drive.

Recommendations

Immediate Actions:

- Continue maintaining current high standards of safe driving.
- Share best practices with team members during next safety meeting.

Long-term Goals:

- Maintain exceptional 90+ overall score across all future assessments.
- Serve as driving mentor and role model for other team members.
- Maintain the high standard of hazard avoidance consistently.
- Develop advanced defensive driving skills through regular professional training.

Dashboard Overview

Track your driving performance and improvement over time

Total Analyses: 11 Average Score: 86.0 Recent Improvement: -9.0 Last Analysis: 11/10/2025

Driving Score Trends

Performance over recent analyses - Click points to view details

Score: 100, 98, 96, 94, 92, 90, 88, 86, 84, 82, 80, 78, 76, 74, 72, 70, 68, 66, 64, 62, 60, 58, 56, 54, 52, 50, 48, 46, 44, 42, 40, 38, 36, 34, 32, 30, 28, 26, 24, 22, 20, 18, 16, 14, 12, 10, 8, 6, 4, 2, 0

Recent Activity

Your latest driving analyses

- new01.mp4 11/10/2025 0m29s
- Dashcam001.mp4 11/10/2025 0m29s
- speed-highway.mp4 11/10/2025 0m29s
- Dashcam003.mp4 10/10/2025 0m29s
- speed-highway.mp4 10/10/2025 0m29s

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14 safety event(s) detected. Duration: 149.6s

Filter: close encounter traffic violation bus lane

Features Implemented

Video upload (MP4) with client & server validation.

YOLOv8-based object detection and tracker integration.

Close-encounter detection with distance estimation and TTC calculation.

Traffic-signal detection & red-light violation detection (YOLO + HSV color verification).

Lane-change and turn detection (optical flow + feature tracking).

Bus-lane violation detection (ROI-based red-lane detection).

Per-trip scoring: safety, compliance, efficiency, overall score (weighted).

JSON export of full analysis (metadata + events + scores).

Interactive web dashboard: KPIs, speed/time charts, scrubbable player with event markers.

Export options: PDF report generation (reportlab suggested), CSV export.

User & org context persisted in local JSON (seeded dev accounts).

Code Structure & Quality Tools

Code Structure Highlights

Separation of concerns: frontend/ (UI), backend/ (API & orchestration), backend/analysis/ (Python CV pipeline)

Python modules separated by task: detection.py, tracking.py, distance_estimation.py, scoring.py, reporting.py

JSON schema for analysis results with versioning (to enable forward/back compat)

Code Quality & Dev Tooling

ESLint + Prettier
For frontend JS/TS linting & formatting

black + ruff
For Python formatting & linting

Unit tests
For pure functions in Python (scoring, TTC calc) using pytest (start with 30–40% coverage)

TypeScript types
For critical frontend data models (AnalysisResult, Event, Score)



Non-functional Requirements Achieved

Our architecture design and implementation prioritize critical non-functional aspects, ensuring a robust and efficient solution.

Performance

GPU acceleration via MPS (3–5× faster) and optimized frame sampling for rapid video analysis.

Reliability

JSON caching, graceful error handling, and comprehensive progress tracking ensure data integrity and system stability.

Scalability

Current sequential processing, with a clear roadmap for future distributed queue integration to handle increased load.

Usability

Responsive UI, clear progress indicators, and intuitive result visualization enhance user experience.

Security

Robust file validation and unique filename generation mitigate common security vulnerabilities.

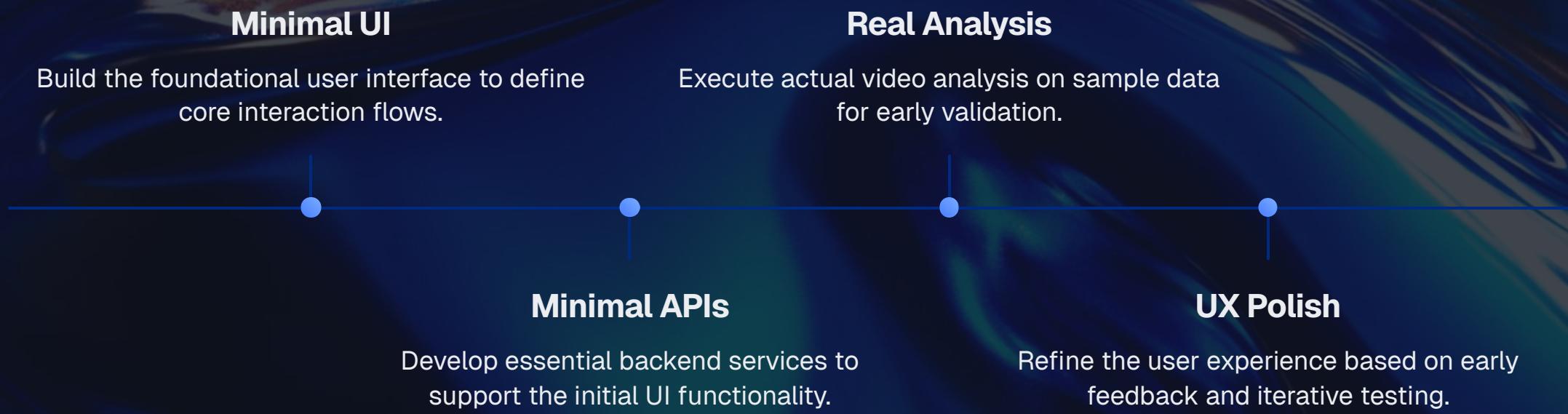
Portability

Developed for macOS (MPS) with built-in support for CUDA deployment on Linux, ensuring broad platform compatibility.

Development Approach & Process

Our development strategy emphasizes agility, early validation, and robust quality assurance to build DriveGuard AI efficiently and effectively.

Iterative, User-First Methodology



Key Principles

Agile Sprints

Short 1-2 week cycles focused on delivering a functioning end-to-end flow in each sprint (upload → analysis → display).

Documentation-First

Key analysis behaviors (event definitions, scoring rules) documented early to streamline testing and ensure reproducibility.

Defensive Engineering

Incorporates LocalStorage fallback, seeded test accounts, and JSON schema validation for system resilience and stability.

Addressing Development Challenges

During development, we encountered several technical hurdles. Our solutions demonstrate robust engineering and proactive problem-solving to ensure system reliability and user experience.

Challenge	Resolution
Test accounts not persisting	Seeded JSON DB & sync persistence
Cached analysis data	Invalidation logic & hard refresh
Invalid timestamps	JSON correction & video clamping
GPU incompatibility	Standardized MPS, CUDA optional
Multiple logs	Unified active log, doc updates
Long processing	Frame sampling & progress streaming

Current Limitations & Future Considerations

While DriveGuard AI demonstrates significant capabilities, we acknowledge key areas for improvement to ensure production readiness and expanded functionality.

Sequential Processing

Currently, analysis runs on a single worker, lacking distributed queuing and horizontal scaling for high throughput.

Model Edge Cases

Detection reliability can decrease with occlusions, extreme night lighting, and non-standard traffic elements.

Concurrency & Rate Limiting

Future development requires throttling and worker autoscaling to handle production-level concurrent loads.

Storage & Persistence

File-based storage is not production-ready; a robust database and object storage solution are critical for reliability.

Limited Testing

A comprehensive evaluation on large, labeled datasets is still pending to validate overall performance.

Future Scope

Our roadmap includes ambitious developments to evolve DriveGuard AI into a comprehensive, real-time, and highly scalable road safety solution.



Robust Data Infrastructure

Migrate to PostgreSQL/MongoDB for transactional data and S3 for scalable video storage.



Parallel Processing & Queues

Introduce distributed queue systems (Bull/Celery) for parallel analysis and enhanced throughput.



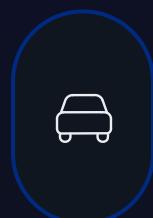
Real-Time Stream Analysis

Enable live analysis of dashcam footage for immediate incident detection and alerts.



Mobile Application

Launch dedicated mobile applications.



OBD-II Sensor Integration

Integrate with vehicle OBD-II sensors for enriched multimodal analytics and deeper insights.



Continuous Model Enhancement

Enhance AI model accuracy through larger, diverse datasets and continuous retraining cycles.

Platform Video



Google Drive

DRIVEGUARD AI DEMO – Google Drive

DriveGuardAI analyzes dashcam footage to provide comprehensive driving safety scores, behavior insights, and actionable recommendations.

