

EE 475 Final Project  
Vision-Based Autonomous Navigation Assistance  
Bogazici Campus Route

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# Introduction

This project develops a computer vision-based navigation assistance system for an autonomous shuttle operating between Boğaziçi University’s North and South Campuses. The work focuses on real-world challenges such as varying illumination, worn lane markings, and asphalt irregularities. By applying classical image processing techniques from Gonzalez and Woods, the system aims to create reliable modules for lane tracking, traffic light classification, obstacle detection and barrier-state detection in unstructured environments.

## 1 Methods and Materials

### 1.1 Lane Detection and Tracking

The lane detection module employs a hybrid segmentation approach designed to function robustly under varying illumination conditions. The pipeline consists of three stages: feature extraction via morphological and chromatic fusion, geometric modeling using the Hough Transform, and temporal tracking.

#### 1.1.1 Hybrid Feature Extraction

To isolate lane markings, we implement a logical disjunction of two masking techniques. First, a chromatic mask  $M_{color}$  is generated in the HSV space, targeting white, yellow, and a specific shadow-invariant subspace defined as  $H \in [108, 130]$ ,  $S \in [45, 52]$ . Simultaneously, a morphological Top-Hat transform is applied to the grayscale image  $I_{gray}$  using a  $19 \times 19$  rectangular kernel  $S$  to isolate high-contrast local structures:

$$I_{TH} = I_{gray} - (I_{gray} \circ S) \quad (1)$$

The final binary mask  $M_{final}$  is the union of the chromatic and morphological masks[2].

#### 1.1.2 Geometric Extraction via Hough Transform

Edge detection is performed on  $M_{final}$  using the Canny operator. To detect linear lane boundaries from the resulting edge map, we utilize the **Probabilistic Hough Transform (PHT)**. Unlike the standard Cartesian representation ( $y = mx + b$ ), the Hough Transform parameterizes lines in polar coordinates to avoid singularities with vertical lines: [4]

$$\rho = x \cos \theta + y \sin \theta \quad (2)$$

where  $\rho$  is the perpendicular distance from the origin to the line, and  $\theta$  is the angle of the normal vector. Each edge pixel  $(x, y)$  in the image space votes for potential sinusoidal curves in the  $(\rho, \theta)$  parameter space. The PHT optimization minimizes computational cost by analyzing a random subset of points to detect line segments defined by endpoints  $P = \{(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2)\}$ . Segments with slopes  $|\frac{dy}{dx}| < 0.4$  are rejected as environmental noise.

### 1.1.3 Temporal Tracking and Stabilization

Detected line segments are organized into *Lane Candidates*. A candidate state  $\mathbf{l}_t$  is updated using an Exponential Weighted Moving Average (EWMA) filter for temporal smoothness:

$$\mathbf{l}_t = \alpha \cdot \mathbf{l}_{new} + (1 - \alpha) \cdot \mathbf{l}_{t-1} \quad (3)$$

with  $\alpha = 0.7$ . A hysteresis filter confirms a lane only after  $N_{min} = 8$  consecutive detections and retains it in memory for  $N_{miss} = 5$  frames during temporary occlusions.

## 1.2 Barrier Position Detection

To robustly distinguish barrier states, we employ a sensor-fusion approach that validates geometric structure with chromatic signatures, effectively filtering background noise.

### 1.2.1 Geometric Structure Extraction

Vertical gradients are extracted from the grayscale ROI,  $I_{gray}$ , to isolate horizontal edges. The gradient  $G_y$  is computed via convolution with the Sobel-Y kernel  $K_y$ :

$$G_y = I_{gray} * K_y \quad \text{where} \quad K_y = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ +1 & +2 & +1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (4)$$

The gradient magnitude is thresholded to form an edge map. To reconstruct the barrier's physical body from disjoint edges, we apply morphological dilation using an anisotropic rectangular structuring element  $S_{rect}$  ( $5 \times 15$  pixels):

$$M_{struct} = M_{edge} \oplus S_{rect} \quad (5)$$

### 1.2.2 Logic-Gated Verification

Simultaneously, chromatic masks  $M_{red}$  and  $M_{white}$  are generated in HSV space. To ensure spatial coherence, we calculate the pixel count of color features strictly *within* the structural mask:

$$N_{red} = |M_{red} \cap M_{struct}| \quad , \quad N_{white} = |M_{white} \cap M_{struct}| \quad (6)$$

The barrier is classified as **CLOSED** only if the geometric structure and both spectral components simultaneously exceed their respective thresholds  $\tau$ :

$$State = \begin{cases} \text{CLOSED} & \text{if } (|M_{struct}| > \tau_S) \wedge (N_{red} > \tau_R) \wedge (N_{white} > \tau_W) \\ \text{OPEN} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (7)$$

## 1.3 Traffic Light Detection and Classification

Traffic light detection is formulated as a constrained color-segmentation problem followed by geometric validation. Each frame  $I(x, y)$  is mapped from RGB to HSV space, where

chromatic components are less sensitive to illumination variations. A fixed Region of Interest (ROI)  $\Omega_{\text{TL}} \subset I$  is defined based on prior geometric knowledge of traffic light placement.

For each color class  $k \in \{\text{red, yellow, green}\}$ , a binary mask is obtained via thresholding

$$M_k(x, y) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } (H, S, V) \in \mathcal{T}_k \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

where  $\mathcal{T}_k$  denotes the HSV threshold set for class  $k$ . Morphological opening is applied to  $M_k$  to suppress small-scale noise. Connected components are extracted, and each candidate region  $\mathcal{R}$  is evaluated using its area  $A$ , mean brightness [6]

$$\bar{V} = \frac{1}{|\mathcal{R}|} \sum_{(x,y) \in \mathcal{R}} V(x, y),$$

and circularity

$$C = \frac{4\pi A}{P^2},$$

where  $P$  is the contour perimeter. Frame-level decisions are temporally stabilized using majority voting over a finite window  $\{t - N, \dots, t\}$ .

## 1.4 Obstacle Detection

Obstacle detection is treated as a structural anomaly detection problem using spatial edge statistics. After Gaussian smoothing, Canny edge detection is applied to obtain a binary edge map  $E(x, y)$ . Processing is restricted to a road-region ROI  $\Omega_{\text{obs}}$ .

The edge map is partitioned into  $N$  vertical bins  $\{B_i\}_{i=1}^N$ , and column-wise edge density is computed as

$$d_i = \sum_{(x,y) \in B_i} E(x, y).$$

Bins satisfying

$$d_i > \mu_d + \alpha \sigma_d$$

are selected as candidates, where  $\mu_d$  and  $\sigma_d$  denote the mean and standard deviation of  $\{d_i\}$ . For each candidate region, vertical localization is refined using row-wise edge accumulation

$$r(y) = \sum_x E(x, y),$$

yielding a bounding box constrained by geometric conditions on width, height, and aspect ratio. To enforce temporal consistency, detections are confirmed only if they persist across multiple frames using a sliding-window voting rule.

## 2 Results

### 2.1 Performance Evaluation Metrics

To rigorously assess the discrete classification tasks (barrier state and lane presence), we utilize standard statistical metrics derived from the confusion matrix elements: True Positives ( $TP$ ), True Negatives ( $TN$ ), False Positives ( $FP$ ), and False Negatives ( $FN$ ). The system’s reliability is quantified using Accuracy, Precision, Recall, and the F1-Score, defined as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Accuracy} &= \frac{TP + TN}{TP + TN + FP + FN} & \text{Precision} &= \frac{TP}{TP + FP} \\ \text{Recall} &= \frac{TP}{TP + FN} & \text{F1-Score} &= 2 \cdot \frac{\text{Precision} \cdot \text{Recall}}{\text{Precision} + \text{Recall}} \end{aligned} \quad (8)$$

These metrics provide a comprehensive view of the algorithmic performance, isolating geometric misclassifications from chromatic validation errors.

### 2.2 Lane Detection and Tracking Performance

The lane detection module, was evaluated for its performance in challenging conditions including varied lighting and shadows. While precise quantitative accuracy metrics are difficult to establish due to the continuous nature of lane presence and the inherent variability in road markings, the system consistently demonstrated robust lane identification. Qualitative results from diverse scenarios are presented in Figure 1. These images highlight the system’s ability to detect and track lane boundaries effectively, even in the presence of significant illumination changes and partial occlusions.



(a) Detection in standard daylight



(b) Detection under varying light

Figure 1: Performance of the Hybrid Lane Detection system under varying environmental conditions.

### 2.3 Barrier State Detection Performance

The classification performance was evaluated across three annotated video sequences. On this test set, the system achieved a **Precision** of 100% and a **Recall** of 100%, resulting in a perfect

**F1-Score** of 1.0. These metrics quantitatively confirm that the logical fusion of geometric and chromatic features effectively eliminated False Positives (FP) caused by background clutter while maintaining maximum sensitivity to the barrier structure. Qualitative results are illustrated in Figure 2.



(a) Detected "Closed" State



(b) Detected "Open" State

Figure 2: Qualitative results of the Barrier Position Detection module on test data.

## 2.4 Traffic Light Detection and Classification Performance

The traffic signal recognition module was evaluated on a dataset containing 10 active traffic lights. The system demonstrated perfect sensitivity, successfully detecting all instances ( $TP = 10$ ,  $FN = 0$ ), yielding a **Recall of 100%**. This confirms the system's safety-critical reliability, ensuring no signals were missed.

However, the geometric filtering stage exhibited a tendency to over-segment, identifying 5 circular traffic signs as signal lights ( $FP = 5$ ). Consequently, the **Precision** was calculated at 66.7%, resulting in an overall **F1-Score of 0.80**. Although the False Positive rate reduces precision, the design philosophy prioritizes Recall to absolutely eliminate the hazardous risk of failing to detect a stop signal. Detection results are visualized in Figure 3.



Red Light



Yellow Light



Green Light



False Positive

Figure 3: Representative traffic light detection results.

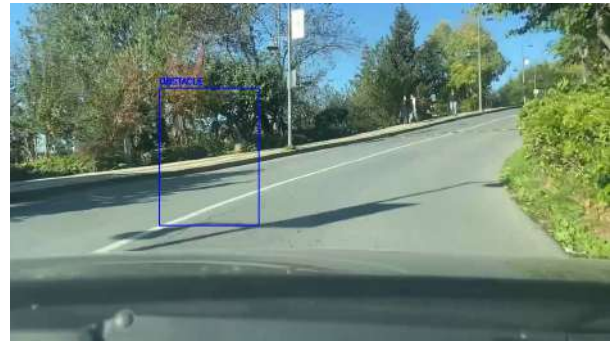
## 2.5 Obstacle Detection

The obstacle detection subsystem was evaluated on a test sequence yielding 60 total detection events. Analysis against ground truth data revealed 45 True Positives ( $TP$ ) and 15 False Positives ( $FP$ ), while 5 actual obstacles were missed ( $FN = 5$ ).

This performance results in a **Precision of 75.0%**, indicating a moderate rate of false alarms caused by complex background textures. However, crucial for autonomous safety, the system achieved a high **Recall of 90.0%**, ensuring the majority of physical hazards were correctly identified. The overall algorithmic balance is reflected in an **F1-Score of 0.82**. Representative detection results are shown in Figure ??.



(a) Correct detection: Motorcycle



(b) False Positive: Background noise

Figure 4: Qualitative evaluation of the Obstacle Detection module.

### 3 Discussion

The results highlight a clear performance dichotomy between structural and semantic tasks. The **Barrier** and **Lane** modules demonstrated superior robustness against environmental noise (shadows) compared to standard edge detection, evidenced by the barrier’s perfect F1-Score (1.0). However, the **Traffic Light** and **Obstacle** modules revealed the deficiencies of classical geometric methods. While achieving high Recall to ensure safety, their lower Precision (66.7% and 75% respectively) indicates an inability to distinguish semantically similar objects (e.g., traffic signs vs. signals) without the learned features inherent to Deep Learning approaches, resulting in a higher rate of false alarms.

### 4 Conclusion

This project successfully validated a real-time classical perception stack while identifying key precision limitations. Future work will integrate a lightweight CNN to classify traffic light candidates, directly addressing the high false-positive rate noted in the discussion. Additionally, Optical Flow algorithms will be implemented to distinguish moving hazards from static background textures, improving obstacle detection precision. Finally, Inverse Perspective Mapping (IPM) will be adopted to linearize lane geometry for better curvature handling.



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## Line\_Detector.py

```
1 import cv2
2 import numpy as np
3
4 # --- SETTINGS ---
5 MIN_CONSECUTIVE_FRAMES = 8
6 MAX_MISSED_FRAMES = 5
7 MAX_DISTANCE_THRESHOLD = 50
8
9 # --- EXTRA: MORPHOLOGICAL OPERATION SETTINGS (Shadow Shape
10 #   Detection) ---
11 MORPH_KERNEL_SIZE = 19
12 MORPH_THRESHOLD = 20
13
14 class LaneCandidate:
15     """
16     Class representing each potential lane segment.
17     Tracks its own history, position, and reliability.
18     """
19     def __init__(self, line, img_height):
20         self.img_height = img_height
21         self.line = line
22         self.found_count = 1
23         self.missed_count = 0
24         self.is_confirmed = False
25         self.update_params(line)
26
27     def update_params(self, line):
28         x1, y1, x2, y2 = line
29         if x2 == x1: return
30         self.line = line
31
32     def is_similar_to(self, new_line):
33         ox1, oy1, ox2, oy2 = self.line
34         nx1, ny1, nx2, ny2 = new_line
35
36         dist1 = np.sqrt((ox1 - nx1)**2 + (oy1 - ny1)**2)
37         dist2 = np.sqrt((ox2 - nx2)**2 + (oy2 - ny2)**2)
38
39         if dist1 < MAX_DISTANCE_THRESHOLD and dist2 <
40             MAX_DISTANCE_THRESHOLD:
41             return True
42         return False
43
44     def update(self, new_line):
45         self.found_count += 1
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44     self.missed_count = 0
45
46     # Smoothing (70% New, 30% Old)
47     self.line = [
48         int(0.7 * new_line[0] + 0.3 * self.line[0]),
49         int(0.7 * new_line[1] + 0.3 * self.line[1]),
50         int(0.7 * new_line[2] + 0.3 * self.line[2]),
51         int(0.7 * new_line[3] + 0.3 * self.line[3])
52     ]
53
54     if self.found_count >= MIN_CONSECUTIVE_FRAMES:
55         self.is_confirmed = True
56
57     def mark_missing(self):
58         self.missed_count += 1
59         if self.missed_count > MAX_MISSED_FRAMES:
60             return False
61         return True
62
63     # Global candidate list
64     lane_candidates = []
65
66     def get_extended_line(line, img_height):
67         x1, y1, x2, y2 = line
68         if x2 == x1: return line
69
70         poly = np.polyfit([y1, y2], [x1, x2], 1)
71
72         y_bottom = img_height
73         y_top = int(img_height * 0.6)
74
75         x_bottom = int(poly[0] * y_bottom + poly[1])
76         x_top = int(poly[0] * y_top + poly[1])
77
78         return [x_bottom, y_bottom, x_top, y_top]
79
80     def process_lanes_tracking(img, raw_lines):
81         global lane_candidates
82         height, width = img.shape[:2]
83
84         if raw_lines is None:
85             raw_lines = []
86
87         # 1. Extend raw lines
88         extended_lines = []
89         for line in raw_lines:
90             x1, y1, x2, y2 = line[0]

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91         if abs(x2 - x1) < 1e-6: continue
92         slope = (y2 - y1) / (x2 - x1)
93         if abs(slope) < 0.4: continue
94
95         ext_line = get_extended_line([x1, y1, x2, y2], height)
96         extended_lines.append(ext_line)
97
98     # 2. Matching
99     matched_candidate_indices = set()
100
101     for ext_line in extended_lines:
102         found_match = False
103         for i, candidate in enumerate(lane_candidates):
104             if candidate.is_similar_to(ext_line):
105                 candidate.update(ext_line)
106                 matched_candidate_indices.add(i)
107                 found_match = True
108                 break
109
110         if not found_match:
111             new_cand = LaneCandidate(ext_line, height)
112             lane_candidates.append(new_cand)
113
114     # 3. Cleanup
115     candidates_to_keep = []
116     for i, candidate in enumerate(lane_candidates):
117         if i in matched_candidate_indices:
118             candidates_to_keep.append(candidate)
119         else:
120             still_alive = candidate.mark_missing()
121             if still_alive:
122                 candidates_to_keep.append(candidate)
123
124     lane_candidates = candidates_to_keep
125
126     # 4. Selection and Drawing
127     confirmed_lanes = [c for c in lane_candidates if c.is_confirmed]
128     final_left = None
129     final_right = None
130     center_x = width // 2
131
132     best_left_candidates = []
133     best_right_candidates = []
134
135     for cand in confirmed_lanes:
136         x_bottom = cand.line[0]
137         if x_bottom < center_x:

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138         best_left_candidates.append(cand)
139     else:
140         best_right_candidates.append(cand)
141
142     if best_left_candidates:
143         final_left = max(best_left_candidates, key=lambda c: c.
144                             found_count).line
145
146     if best_right_candidates:
147         final_right = max(best_right_candidates, key=lambda c: c.
148                             found_count).line
149
150     line_image = np.zeros_like(img)
151
152     if final_left is not None:
153         cv2.line(line_image, (final_left[0], final_left[1]), (
154             final_left[2], final_left[3]), (255, 0, 0), 10)
155
156     if final_right is not None:
157         cv2.line(line_image, (final_right[0], final_right[1]), (
158             final_right[2], final_right[3]), (0, 0, 255), 10)
159
160     if final_left is not None and final_right is not None:
161         pts = np.array([
162             (final_left[0], final_left[1]),
163             (final_left[2], final_left[3]),
164             (final_right[2], final_right[3]),
165             (final_right[0], final_right[1])
166         ], np.int32)
167         cv2.fillPoly(line_image, [pts], (0, 255, 0))
168
169     return line_image
170
171 def process_frame(frame):
172     height, width = frame.shape[:2]
173
174     # -----
175     # SECTION 1: COLOR MASKS (HLS/HSV)
176     # -----
177     hsv = cv2.cvtColor(frame, cv2.COLOR_BGR2HSV)
178
179     # 1.a) White Mask (Standard)
180     lower_white = np.array([0, 0, 200])
181     upper_white = np.array([180, 50, 255])
182     mask_white = cv2.inRange(hsv, lower_white, upper_white)
183
184     # 1.b) Yellow Mask (Standard)

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181 lower_yellow = np.array([15, 100, 100])
182 upper_yellow = np.array([35, 255, 255])
183 mask_yellow = cv2.inRange(hsv, lower_yellow, upper_yellow)
184
185 # 1.c) SHADOW MASK (VALUES YOU FOUND)
186 # Values: H:108-130, S:45-52, V:187-197
187 lower_shadow = np.array([108, 45, 187])
188 upper_shadow = np.array([130, 52, 197])
189 mask_shadow_color = cv2.inRange(hsv, lower_shadow, upper_shadow)
190
191 # Combine color masks
192 mask_color_combined = cv2.bitwise_or(mask_white, mask_yellow)
193 mask_color_combined = cv2.bitwise_or(mask_color_combined,
194     mask_shadow_color)
195
196 # -----
197 # SECTION 2: MORPHOLOGICAL OPERATION (TOP-HAT)
198 # For color-independent shape detection
199 # -----
200 gray = cv2.cvtColor(frame, cv2.COLOR_BGR2GRAY)
201
202 # Kernel: 19x19
203 kernel = cv2.getStructuringElement(cv2.MORPH_RECT, (
204     MORPH_KERNEL_SIZE, MORPH_KERNEL_SIZE))
205 tophat_img = cv2.morphologyEx(gray, cv2.MORPH_TOPHAT, kernel)
206
207 # Threshold: 20
208 _, mask_morph = cv2.threshold(tophat_img, MORPH_THRESHOLD, 255,
209     cv2.THRESH_BINARY)
210
211 # -----
212 # SECTION 3: MERGING AND EDGE DETECTION
213 # -----
214
215 # Color Mask OR Morphology Mask
216 final_mask = cv2.bitwise_or(mask_color_combined, mask_morph)
217
218 # Apply mask to the original image (keep only masked regions)
219 masked_frame = cv2.bitwise_and(frame, frame, mask=final_mask)
220
221 # Convert to grayscale again and apply Canny (following your
222     original pipeline)
223 masked_gray = cv2.cvtColor(masked_frame, cv2.COLOR_BGR2GRAY)

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```

224 # Canny Edge Detection
225 edges = cv2.Canny(blur, 50, 150)
226
227 # -----
228 # SECTION 4: ROI AND HOUGH
229 # -----
230
231 # Original ROI from your code
232 roi_vertices = np.array([[
233     (int(width * 0.05), int(height * 0.8)),
234     (int(width * 0.2), int(height * 0.5)),
235     (int(width * 0.9), int(height * 0.5)),
236     (int(width * 0.95), int(height * 0.8))
237 ]], dtype=np.int32)
238
239 mask_roi = np.zeros_like(edges)
240 cv2.fillPoly(mask_roi, roi_vertices, 255)
241 masked_edges = cv2.bitwise_and(edges, mask_roi)
242
243 lines = cv2.HoughLinesP(
244     masked_edges,
245     rho=1,
246     theta=np.pi/180,
247     threshold=20,
248     minLineLength=20,
249     maxLineGap=300
250 )
251
252 line_layer = process_lanes_tracking(frame, lines)
253
254 # Combine layers
255 result = cv2.addWeighted(frame, 1.0, line_layer, 0.4, 0)
256 return result

```

Listing 1: Initial trial for line detection in the campus

## Barrier\_detector.py

```
1 import cv2
2 import numpy as np
3
4 def barrier_detection_hybrid(video_path):
5     cap = cv2.VideoCapture(video_path)
6
7     if not cap.isOpened():
8         print("Error: Could not open video file!")
9         return
10
11     # --- SETTINGS ---
12     # 1. ROI (Region of Interest) - Where the barrier sits when
13     #    closed
14     # Read the first frame to get dimensions
15     ret, frame = cap.read()
16     if not ret: return
17     h, w = frame.shape[:2]
18
19     # Define ROI coordinates (Adjust these percentages based on your
20     #    specific video)
21     roi_y1, roi_y2 = int(h * 0.3), int(h * 0.4)
22     roi_x1, roi_x2 = int(w * 0.20), int(w * 0.85)
23
24     # 2. Threshold Values
25     # Minimum number of pixels required to consider the feature "
26     #    present"
27     MIN_EDGE_PIXELS = 200      # Is there a long enough horizontal
28     #    line?
29     MIN_RED_PIXELS = 50       # Are there red reflectors inside that
30     #    line?
31     MIN_WHITE_PIXELS = 50     # Is there a white body inside that
32     #    line?
33
34     print("Hybrid Analysis Started...")
35     print("Logic: Horizontal Edge && Red Color && White Color ->
36     CLOSED")
37
38     while True:
39         ret, frame = cap.read()
40         if not ret:
41             # Loop video
42             cap.set(cv2.CAP_PROP_POS_FRAMES, 0)
43             continue
44
45         # Crop ROI
```



```

39     roi = frame[roi_y1:roi_y2, roi_x1:roi_x2]
40
41     #
42     -----
43
44     # STEP 1: SOBEL Y (Find Horizontal Structure)
45     #
46     -----
47
48     gray = cv2.cvtColor(roi, cv2.COLOR_BGR2GRAY)
49
50     # Sobel Y derivative (Detects only horizontal changes)
51     sobel_y = cv2.Sobel(gray, cv2.CV_64F, 0, 1, ksize=3)
52     sobel_y = np.absolute(sobel_y)
53
54     # Normalize to 0-255 and convert to uint8
55     sobel_8u = np.uint8(255 * sobel_y / np.max(sobel_y + 1e-9))
56
57     # Threshold: Keep only strong horizontal edges
58     _, edge_mask = cv2.threshold(sobel_8u, 50, 255, cv2.
59     THRESH_BINARY)
60
61     # Dilation:
62     # Edges are thin. We dilate the mask to cover the "body" of
63     # the barrier
64     # so we can check for colors inside it. Using a horizontal
65     # kernel.
66     kernel_dilate = np.ones((5, 15), np.uint8)
67     structure_mask = cv2.dilate(edge_mask, kernel_dilate,
68     iterations=1)
69
70     # Structure Score (How much horizontal object is there?)
71     structure_score = cv2.countNonZero(structure_mask)
72
73     #
74     -----
75
76     # STEP 2: COLOR ANALYSIS (Red and White)
77     #
78     -----
79
80     hsv = cv2.cvtColor(roi, cv2.COLOR_BGR2HSV)
81
82     # Red Mask (For Reflectors)
83     # Red wraps around 0/180 in HSV, so we need two ranges.
84     mask_r1 = cv2.inRange(hsv, np.array([0, 100, 50]), np.array
85     ([10, 255, 255]))

```

```

73     mask_r2 = cv2.inRange(hsv, np.array([170, 100, 50]), np.
74         array([180, 255, 255]))
75     red_mask = cv2.bitwise_or(mask_r1, mask_r2)
76
77     # White Mask (For Barrier Body)
78     # Low Saturation, High Value (Value lowered slightly to
79         catch shadows)
80     white_mask = cv2.inRange(hsv, np.array([0, 0, 150]), np.
81         array([180, 50, 255]))
82
83     #
84     -----
85
86     # STEP 3: FUSION
87     # We look for colors ONLY inside the "Structure Mask".
88     # This prevents background objects (red cars, white
89         buildings) from triggering detection.
90     #
91     -----
92
93     # Red pixels overlapping with horizontal edges
94     red_in_barrier = cv2.bitwise_and(red_mask, red_mask, mask=
95         structure_mask)
96     red_score = cv2.countNonZero(red_in_barrier)
97
98     # White pixels overlapping with horizontal edges
99     white_in_barrier = cv2.bitwise_and(white_mask, white_mask,
100         mask=structure_mask)
101     white_score = cv2.countNonZero(white_in_barrier)
102
103     #
104     -----
105
106     # STEP 4: DECISION MECHANISM
107     #
108     -----
109
110     # Condition: Is there Structure? AND Red? AND White?
111     is_structure_ok = structure_score > MIN_EDGE_PIXELS
112     is_red_ok = red_score > MIN_RED_PIXELS
113     is_white_ok = white_score > MIN_WHITE_PIXELS
114
115     if is_structure_ok and is_red_ok and is_white_ok:
116         status = "CLOSED (BARRIER DETECTED)"
117         color_status = (0, 0, 255) # Red

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106         # Draw a bounding box around the detected structure
107         contours, _ = cv2.findContours(structure_mask, cv2.
108             RETR_EXTERNAL, cv2.CHAIN_APPROX_SIMPLE)
109         for cnt in contours:
110             if cv2.contourArea(cnt) > 500: # Ignore small noise
111                 x, y, w, h = cv2.boundingRect(cnt)
112                 # Translate ROI coordinates to Frame coordinates
113                 cv2.rectangle(frame, (roi_x1 + x, roi_y1 + y), (
114                     roi_x1 + x + w, roi_y1 + y + h), (0, 0, 255),
115                     2)
116             else:
117                 status = "OPEN (PASSAGE FREE)"
118                 color_status = (0, 255, 0) # Green
119
120             #
121             -----
122
123         # VISUALIZATION PANEL
124         #
125         -----
126
127         # 1. Structure Mask (Visualized as Blue)
128         vis_structure = cv2.cvtColor(structure_mask, cv2.
129             COLOR_GRAY2BGR)
130         vis_structure[:, :, 0] = 255 # Boost Blue channel
131         vis_structure[:, :, 1] = 0
132         vis_structure[:, :, 2] = 0
133
134         # 2. Color Masks (Visualized as Red and White)
135         vis_red = cv2.cvtColor(red_in_barrier, cv2.COLOR_GRAY2BGR)
136         vis_red[:, :, 2] = 255 # Red only
137
138         vis_white = cv2.cvtColor(white_in_barrier, cv2.
139             COLOR_GRAY2BGR) # White stays white
140
141         # Blend them all into one analysis image
142         # Structure (Base) + Red + White
143         analysis_view = cv2.addWeighted(vis_structure, 0.3, vis_red,
144             1.0, 0)
145         analysis_view = cv2.addWeighted(analysis_view, 1.0,
146             vis_white, 1.0, 0)
147
148         # Add Debug Text to the small panel
149         cv2.putText(analysis_view, f"Struct: {structure_score}", (5,
150             15), cv2.FONT_HERSHEY_SIMPLEX, 0.4, (255, 255, 255), 1)

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141     cv2.putText(analysis_view, f"Red: {red_score}", (5, 30), cv2
142         .FONT_HERSHEY_SIMPLEX, 0.4, (0, 0, 255), 1)
143
144     cv2.putText(analysis_view, f"White: {white_score}", (5, 45),
145         cv2.FONT_HERSHEY_SIMPLEX, 0.4, (200, 200, 200), 1)
146
147     # Resize panel for display
148     analysis_view_large = cv2.resize(analysis_view, (400, 150))
149
150     # Draw ROI Box and Status on Main Frame
151     cv2.rectangle(frame, (roi_x1, roi_y1), (roi_x2, roi_y2),
152         color_status, 2)
153     cv2.putText(frame, status, (roi_x1, roi_y1 - 10), cv2.
154         FONT_HERSHEY_SIMPLEX, 0.8, color_status, 2)
155
156     # Attach Analysis Panel to the right side of the frame
157     final_h = frame.shape[0]
158
159     side_panel = np.zeros((final_h, 400, 3), dtype=np.uint8)
160     # Center the analysis view vertically
161     y_offset = (final_h - 150) // 2
162     side_panel[y_offset:y_offset+150, :] = analysis_view_large
163
164     # Explanatory Text on Side Panel
165     cv2.putText(side_panel, "ANALYSIS DETAIL", (20, y_offset -
166         20), cv2.FONT_HERSHEY_SIMPLEX, 0.7, (255, 255, 255), 2)
167     cv2.putText(side_panel, "Blue: Sobel (Horizontal)", (20,
168         y_offset + 170), cv2.FONT_HERSHEY_SIMPLEX, 0.5, (255, 0,
169         0), 1)
170     cv2.putText(side_panel, "Red: Reflector", (20, y_offset +
171         190), cv2.FONT_HERSHEY_SIMPLEX, 0.5, (0, 0, 255), 1)
172     cv2.putText(side_panel, "White: Body", (20, y_offset + 210),
173         cv2.FONT_HERSHEY_SIMPLEX, 0.5, (200, 200, 200), 1)
174
175     final_frame = np.hstack((frame, side_panel))
176
177     cv2.imshow("Hybrid Barrier Detection", final_frame)
178
179     if cv2.waitKey(30) & 0xFF == 27: # ESC to exit
180         break
181
182     cap.release()
183     cv2.destroyAllWindows()
184
185 # --- RUN ---
186 # Make sure to update the filename to your video path
187 barrier_detection_hybrid('bariyer.mp4')

```

Listing 2: Initial trial for line detection in the campus

# Traffic\_Light.py

```
1 import cv2
2 import numpy as np
3 from collections import deque, Counter
4 from src.config import *
5
6 # -----
7 # Configuration
8 # -----
9 DEBUG_VISUALIZATION = False
10 VOTING_WINDOW = 4 # temporal window for state voting
11
12 # Buffer to store recent frame-level decisions
13 state_buffer = deque(maxlen=VOTING_WINDOW)
14
15 # -----
16 # Main traffic light detection function
17 # -----
18 def detect_and_classify_traffic_light(frame):
19     h, w, _ = frame.shape
20
21     # Define Region of Interest (upper-central area)
22     y1, y2 = 0, int(0.3 * h)
23     x1, x2 = int(0.2 * w), int(0.8 * w)
24
25     roi = frame[y1:y2, x1:x2]
26     hsv_roi = cv2.cvtColor(roi, cv2.COLOR_BGR2HSV)
27
28     # Generate color masks in HSV space
29     red_mask1 = cv2.inRange(hsv_roi, RED_LOWER_1, RED_UPPER_1)
30     red_mask2 = cv2.inRange(hsv_roi, RED_LOWER_2, RED_UPPER_2)
31     red_mask = cv2.bitwise_or(red_mask1, red_mask2)
32
33     yellow_mask = cv2.inRange(hsv_roi, YELLOW_LOWER, YELLOW_UPPER)
34     green_mask = cv2.inRange(hsv_roi, GREEN_LOWER, GREEN_UPPER)
35
36     # Detect valid blobs for each color
37     red_detected = _process_color(frame, hsv_roi, red_mask, "RED",
38                                   x1, y1)
39     yellow_detected = _process_color(frame, hsv_roi, yellow_mask, "
40                                   YELLOW", x1, y1)
41     green_detected = _process_color(frame, hsv_roi, green_mask, "
42                                   GREEN", x1, y1)
43
44     # Frame-level decision logic
45     if red_detected:
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43     state = "RED"
44 elif yellow_detected:
45     state = "YELLOW"
46 elif green_detected:
47     state = "GREEN"
48 else:
49     state = "UNKNOWN"
50
51 # Temporal majority voting for stability
52 state_buffer.append(state)
53 voted_state = Counter(state_buffer).most_common(1)[0][0]
54
55 # Overlay detected state
56 cv2.putText(
57     frame,
58     f"TL STATE: {voted_state}",
59     (30, 40),
60     cv2.FONT_HERSHEY_SIMPLEX,
61     1.0,
62     (255, 255, 255),
63     2
64 )
65 return frame, voted_state
66 # -----
67 # Color-specific blob validation
68 # -----
69 def _process_color(frame, hsv_roi, mask, label, x_offset, y_offset):
70     # Morphological opening to remove noise
71     kernel = np.ones((5, 5), np.uint8)
72     clean_mask = cv2.morphologyEx(mask, cv2.MORPH_OPEN, kernel)
73
74     # Extract connected components
75     contours, _ = cv2.findContours(
76         clean_mask,
77         cv2.RETR_EXTERNAL,
78         cv2.CHAIN_APPROX_SIMPLE
79     )
80     detected = False
81
82     for cnt in contours:
83         area = cv2.contourArea(cnt)
84         if area < 30:
85             continue
86
87     # Compute mean HSV values inside contour
88     contour_mask = np.zeros(clean_mask.shape, dtype=np.uint8)
89     cv2.drawContours(contour_mask, [cnt], -1, 255, -1)

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90     _, _, mean_v, _ = cv2.mean(hsv_roi, mask=contour_mask)
91
92     # Shape descriptor: circularity
93     perimeter = cv2.arcLength(cnt, True)
94     circularity = 4 * np.pi * area / (perimeter ** 2 + 1e-6)
95
96     # Validation criteria
97     pass_area = 30 < area < 900
98     pass_brightness = mean_v > 120
99     pass_circularity = circularity > 0.75
100
101     passed = pass_area and pass_brightness and pass_circularity
102
103     # Optional visualization
104     if DEBUG_VISUALIZATION or passed:
105         box_color = (
106             (0, 0, 255) if label == "RED" else
107             (0, 255, 255) if label == "YELLOW" else
108             (0, 255, 0)
109         )
110
111         x, y, w, h = cv2.boundingRect(cnt)
112         cv2.rectangle(
113             frame,
114             (x + x_offset, y + y_offset),
115             (x + w + x_offset, y + h + y_offset),
116             box_color,
117             2
118         )
119
120         if passed:
121             cv2.putText(
122                 frame,
123                 label,
124                 (x + x_offset, y + y_offset - 8),
125                 cv2.FONT_HERSHEY_SIMPLEX,
126                 0.6,
127                 box_color,
128                 2
129             )
130     if passed:
131         detected = True
132
133     return detected

```

Listing 3: Initial trial for line detection in the campus

# Obstacle\_detection.py

```
1 import cv2
2 import numpy as np
3 from collections import deque
4
5 DEBUG_VISUALIZATION = False
6
7 # -----
8 # Temporal voting configuration
9 # -----
10 VOTING_WINDOW = 5
11 VOTING_THRESHOLD = 3
12 obstacle_history = deque(maxlen=VOTING_WINDOW)
13
14
15 # -----
16 # Region of Interest definition
17 # -----
18 def get_roi_mask(frame):
19     h, w = frame.shape[:2]
20
21     roi_pts = np.array([[
22         (int(0.25 * w), int(0.7 * h)),
23         (int(0.75 * w), int(0.7 * h)),
24         (int(0.75 * w), int(0.25 * h)),
25         (int(0.25 * w), int(0.25 * h))
26     ]], dtype=np.int32)
27
28     mask = np.zeros((h, w), dtype=np.uint8)
29     cv2.fillPoly(mask, roi_pts, 255)
30
31     return mask, roi_pts
32
33
34 # -----
35 # Main obstacle detection function
36 # -----
37 def detect_obstacles(frame):
38     h, w = frame.shape[:2]
39     output = frame.copy()
40
41     # ----- ROI -----
42     roi_mask, roi_pts = get_roi_mask(frame)
43
44     # ----- Preprocessing -----
45     gray = cv2.cvtColor(frame, cv2.COLOR_BGR2GRAY)
```



```

46 blur = cv2.GaussianBlur(gray, (5, 5), 0)
47
48 edges = cv2.Canny(blur, 60, 160)
49 edges = cv2.bitwise_and(edges, edges, mask=roi_mask)
50 edges = cv2.dilate(edges, np.ones((3, 3), np.uint8), iterations
    =1)
51
52 # ----- Vertical Edge Density -----
53 num_bins = 24
54 bin_width = w // num_bins
55 density = np.zeros(num_bins)
56
57 for i in range(num_bins):
58     x1 = i * bin_width
59     x2 = (i + 1) * bin_width
60     density[i] = cv2.countNonZero(edges[:, x1:x2])
61
62 mean_d = np.mean(density)
63 std_d = np.std(density)
64 active_bins = density > (mean_d + 1.2 * std_d)
65
66 # ----- Group Adjacent Active Bins -----
67 candidates = []
68 visited = np.zeros(num_bins, dtype=bool)
69
70 for i in range(num_bins):
71     if not active_bins[i] or visited[i]:
72         continue
73
74     left, right = i, i
75     while left > 0 and active_bins[left - 1]:
76         left -= 1
77     while right < num_bins - 1 and active_bins[right + 1]:
78         right += 1
79
80     visited[left:right + 1] = True
81
82     x1 = left * bin_width
83     x2 = (right + 1) * bin_width
84     bw = x2 - x1
85
86     band = edges[:, x1:x2]
87
88 # ----- Vertical Localization -----
89 row_density = np.sum(band > 0, axis=1).astype(np.float32)
90
91 row_density = cv2.GaussianBlur(

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```

92         row_density.reshape(-1, 1),
93         (1, 21),
94         0
95     ).flatten()
96
97     rd_mean = np.mean(row_density)
98     rd_std = np.std(row_density)
99     active_rows = row_density > (rd_mean + 1.0 * rd_std)
100
101     if np.count_nonzero(active_rows) < 30:
102         continue
103
104     ys = np.where(active_rows)[0]
105     y1 = int(ys[0])
106     y2 = int(ys[-1])
107     bh = y2 - y1
108
109     # ----- Geometric Validation -----
110     pass_width = bw > 0.08 * w
111     pass_height = bh > 0.12 * h
112     pass_bottom = y2 > 0.6 * h
113     pass_aspect = bh / (bw + 1e-6) > 0.6
114
115     density_score = np.sum(active_rows) / (bh + 1e-6)
116     pass_density = density_score > 0.15
117
118     passed = (
119         pass_width and
120         pass_height and
121         pass_bottom and
122         pass_aspect and
123         pass_density
124     )
125
126     if passed:
127         candidates.append((x1, y1, bw, bh))
128
129     # ----- Temporal Voting -----
130     obstacle_history.append(candidates)
131
132     confirmed = []
133     for bx, by, bw, bh in candidates:
134         votes = 0
135         for past in obstacle_history:
136             for px, py, pw, ph in past:
137                 if (
138                     min(bx + bw, px + pw) > max(bx, px) and

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```

139         min(by + bh, py + ph) > max(by, py)
140     ):
141         votes += 1
142         break
143
144     if votes >= VOTING_THRESHOLD:
145         confirmed.append((bx, by, bw, bh))
146
147     # ----- Visualization -----
148     for (x, y, bw, bh) in confirmed:
149         cv2.rectangle(output, (x, y), (x + bw, y + bh), (255, 0, 0),
150                        2)
151         cv2.putText(
152             output,
153             "OBSTACLE",
154             (x, y - 8),
155             cv2.FONT_HERSHEY_SIMPLEX,
156             0.6,
157             (255, 0, 0),
158             2
159         )
160
161     if DEBUG_VISUALIZATION:
162         overlay = output.copy()
163         cv2.polylines(overlay, roi_pts, True, (0, 255, 255), 2)
164         cv2.addWeighted(overlay, 0.4, output, 0.6, 0, output)
165         cv2.imshow("Edges (ROI)", edges)
166
167     return output, confirmed

```

Listing 4: Initial trial for line detection in the campus