

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 19×19 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 ρ is the perpendicular distance from the origin to the line, and θ is the angle of the normal vector. Each edge pixel (x, y) in the image space votes for potential sinusoidal curves in the (ρ, θ) 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} (5×15 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 τ :

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

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 $k \in \{\text{red}, \text{yellow}, \text{green}\}$, 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 Ω_{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 μ_d and σ_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.



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



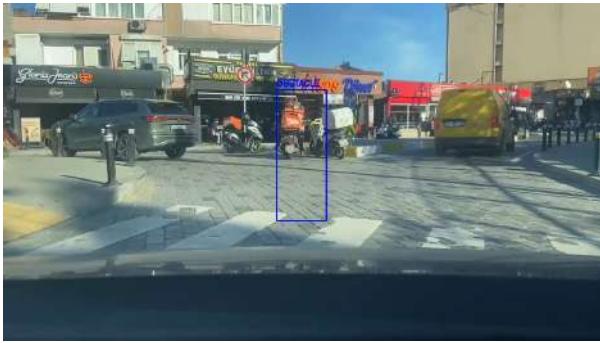
False Positive

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 # -----
172 # SECTION 1: COLOR MASKS (HLS/HSV)
173 # -----
174
175 # 1.a) White Mask (Standard)
176 lower_white = np.array([0, 0, 200])
177 upper_white = np.array([180, 50, 255])
178 mask_white = cv2.inRange(hsv, lower_white, upper_white)
179
180 # 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)
224
225 # Light blur (for noise reduction)
226 blur = cv2.GaussianBlur(masked_gray, (5, 5), 0)

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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

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

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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
94     # Red pixels overlapping with horizontal edges
95     red_in_barrier = cv2.bitwise_and(red_mask, red_mask, mask=
96         structure_mask)
97     red_score = cv2.countNonZero(red_in_barrier)
98
99     # White pixels overlapping with horizontal edges
100    white_in_barrier = cv2.bitwise_and(white_mask, white_mask,
101        mask=structure_mask)
102    white_score = cv2.countNonZero(white_in_barrier)
103
104    #
105    -----
106
107
108    # Condition: Is there Structure? AND Red? AND White?
109    is_structure_ok = structure_score > MIN_EDGE_PIXELS
110    is_red_ok = red_score > MIN_RED_PIXELS
111    is_white_ok = white_score > MIN_WHITE_PIXELS
112
113    if is_structure_ok and is_red_ok and is_white_ok:
114        status = "CLOSED (BARRIER DETECTED)"
115        color_status = (0, 0, 255) # Red

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106
107     # Draw a bounding box around the detected structure
108     contours, _ = cv2.findContours(structure_mask, cv2.
109         RETR_EXTERNAL, cv2.CHAIN_APPROX_SIMPLE)
110     for cnt in contours:
111         if cv2.contourArea(cnt) > 500: # Ignore small noise
112             x, y, w, h = cv2.boundingRect(cnt)
113             # Translate ROI coordinates to Frame coordinates
114             cv2.rectangle(frame, (roi_x1 + x, roi_y1 + y), (
115                 roi_x1 + x + w, roi_y1 + y + h), (0, 0, 255),
116                 2)
117
118     else:
119         status = "OPEN (PASSAGE FREE)"
120         color_status = (0, 255, 0) # Green
121
122     #
123     # -----
124
125     # VISUALIZATION PANEL
126     #
127     # -----
128
129     # 1. Structure Mask (Visualized as Blue)
130     vis_structure = cv2.cvtColor(structure_mask, cv2.
131         COLOR_GRAY2BGR)
132     vis_structure[:, :, 0] = 255 # Boost Blue channel
133     vis_structure[:, :, 1] = 0
134     vis_structure[:, :, 2] = 0
135
136     # 2. Color Masks (Visualized as Red and White)
137     vis_red = cv2.cvtColor(red_in_barrier, cv2.COLOR_GRAY2BGR)
138     vis_red[:, :, 2] = 255 # Red only
139
140     vis_white = cv2.cvtColor(white_in_barrier, cv2.
141         COLOR_GRAY2BGR) # White stays white
142
143     # Blend them all into one analysis image
144     # Structure (Base) + Red + White
145     analysis_view = cv2.addWeighted(vis_structure, 0.3, vis_red,
146         1.0, 0)
147     analysis_view = cv2.addWeighted(analysis_view, 1.0,
148         vis_white, 1.0, 0)
149
150     # Add Debug Text to the small panel
151     cv2.putText(analysis_view, f"Struct: {structure_score}", (5,
152         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     cv2.putText(analysis_view, f"White: {white_score}", (5, 45),
144         cv2.FONT_HERSHEY_SIMPLEX, 0.4, (200, 200, 200), 1)
145
146     # Resize panel for display
147     analysis_view_large = cv2.resize(analysis_view, (400, 150))
148
149     # Draw ROI Box and Status on Main Frame
150     cv2.rectangle(frame, (roi_x1, roi_y1), (roi_x2, roi_y2),
151         color_status, 2)
152     cv2.putText(frame, status, (roi_x1, roi_y1 - 10), cv2.
153         FONT_HERSHEY_SIMPLEX, 0.8, color_status, 2)
154
155     # Attach Analysis Panel to the right side of the frame
156     final_h = frame.shape[0]
157
158     side_panel = np.zeros((final_h, 400, 3), dtype=np.uint8)
159     # Center the analysis view vertically
160     y_offset = (final_h - 150) // 2
161     side_panel[y_offset:y_offset+150, :] = analysis_view_large
162
163     # Explanatory Text on Side Panel
164     cv2.putText(side_panel, "ANALYSIS DETAIL", (20, y_offset -
165         20), cv2.FONT_HERSHEY_SIMPLEX, 0.7, (255, 255, 255), 2)
166     cv2.putText(side_panel, "Blue: Sobel (Horizontal)", (20,
167         y_offset + 170), cv2.FONT_HERSHEY_SIMPLEX, 0.5, (255, 0,
168         0), 1)
169     cv2.putText(side_panel, "Red: Reflector", (20, y_offset +
170         190), cv2.FONT_HERSHEY_SIMPLEX, 0.5, (0, 0, 255), 1)
171     cv2.putText(side_panel, "White: Body", (20, y_offset + 210),
172         cv2.FONT_HERSHEY_SIMPLEX, 0.5, (200, 200, 200), 1)
173
174     final_frame = np.hstack((frame, side_panel))
175
176     cv2.imshow("Hybrid Barrier Detection", final_frame)
177
178     if cv2.waitKey(30) & 0xFF == 27: # ESC to exit
179         break
180
181     cap.release()
182     cv2.destroyAllWindows()
183
184 # --- RUN ---
185 # Make sure to update the filename to your video path
186 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, "YELLOW",
40                                      x1, y1)
41     green_detected = _process_color(frame, hsv_roi, green_mask, "GREEN",
42                                     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
51                         =1)
52
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(

```

```

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