

IT204:Driver Drowsiness Detection System

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Abstract— Driver Drowsiness System intermediate-level Python project, we will be making a drowsiness detecting device. A countless number of people drive on the highway day and night. Taxi drivers, bus drivers, truck drivers and people traveling long-distance suffer from lack of sleep. Due to which it becomes very dangerous to drive when feeling sleepy. The majority of accidents happen due to the drowsiness of the driver. So, to prevent these accidents we will build a system using Python, OpenCV and Arduino which will alert the driver when he feels sleepy.

Drowsiness detection is a safety technology that can prevent accidents that are caused by drivers who fell asleep while driving. The objective of this intermediate Python project is to build a drowsiness detection system that will detect that a person's eyes are closed for a few seconds. This system will alert the driver when drowsiness is detected.

Keywords—Driver Drowsiness Detection System, OpenCV, Arduino.

I. INTRODUCTION

Drowsiness is the state of feeling tired or sleepy. We all can be a victim of drowsiness while driving, due to too many short night sleeps, tired physical condition or during long journeys. Driver fatigue affects the driving ability of many drivers in the following 3 ways:

- 1) It impairs coordination.
- 2) It causes longer reaction times and delays the reflex action of our central nervous system.
- 3) It impairs judgment.

The number of accidents as a result of drowsiness is increasing day by day. Recent statistics estimate that annually 76,000 injuries and 1200 deaths can be attributed to drowsiness related crashes. The advancement of technology in detecting the drowsiness of the driver is a noteworthy challenge as it can help reduce the probability of accidents taking place resulting in decrease in the death and injuries caused due to drowsy driving. Considering the hazards, drowsiness presents on the road, it is necessary to develop and efficient system which can work under low light environment and with better and faster speed. Nowadays the driver safety in the car is one of the most wanted system to avoid accidents.

Our objective of the project is to ensure the safety system. In this manner, a system which can keep a check of driver's condition for drowsiness and alert the driver before it's too late. For this we need a system which will focus on the open or closed state of driver's eyes as by monitoring the

state of the eyes detection of drowsiness is easy. Detection in real-time is the major challenge in the field of accident prevention system. The purpose of this study is to provide a real-time monitoring system using video processing, face/eye detection techniques. This system deals with automatic driver drowsiness detection based on visual information. Our system will capture the video through camera and after processing, it will alert the driver based on the results. This system has overcome few of the limitations of the existing systems. Our System will not only alert the driver but also the co-passengers with a loud alarm and the vehicles behind with an alert message with the help of a LCD display attached to the back of the vehicle to slow down or stop.

II. LITERATURE SURVEY

- Face and Eye Detection by CNN Algorithms [3] in this paper a novel approach to critical parts of face detection problems is given, based on analogic cellular neural network (CNN) algorithms.
- Face Detection using Haar Cascades [4] Object Detection using Haar feature-based cascade classifiers is an effective object detection method proposed by Paul Viola and Michael Jones in their paper, "Rapid Object Detection using a Boosted Cascade of Simple Features" in 2001.
- Eye Detection Using Morphological and Color Image Processing [5] Eye detection is required in many applications like eye-gaze tracking, iris detection, video conferencing, auto-stereoscopic displays, face detection and face recognition.
- Algorithm for Eye Detection on Grey Intensity Face [6] this paper presents a robust eye detection algorithm for grey intensity images.
- Real-Time Face Detection Using Edge Orientation Matching [7] in this paper we describe our ongoing work on real-time face detection in grey level images using edge orientation information.

III. PROBLEM STATEMENT

Driver sleepiness detection using Python

Develop driver alert system, which gives an alert by watching drivers eye while driving a vehicle and alerting the vehicles participating in traffic.

A. Objectives

- Input video stream for faces.
- Apply facial landmark detection and extract the eye regions.

- Compute eye aspect ratio to determine if the eyes are closed. If the eyes have been closed for a sufficiently long enough amount of time, sound an alarm to wake up the driver.
- Using Arduino Uno board to display alert message on the LCD screen to warn the following drivers to slow down or stop their vehicle.

IV. METHODOLOGY

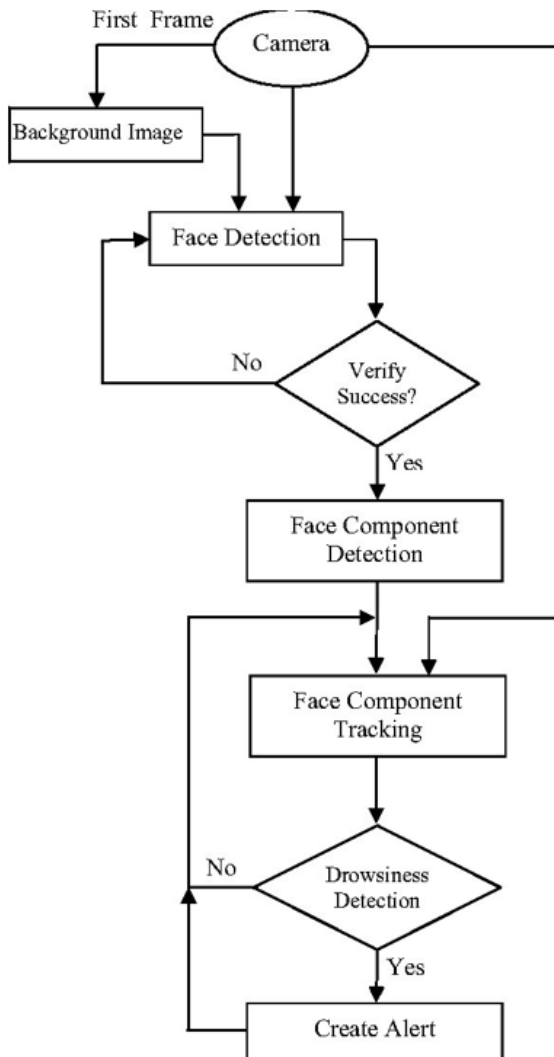


Fig.1 Flow chart for Driver Drowsiness Detection System

- The algorithm uses Dlib library (A toolkit for making real world machine learning and data analysis applications) for the face detection and eye detection.
- Develop program for face detection using OpenCV to determine positive and negative samples.
- If a face is found, we apply facial landmark detection and extract the eye regions.
- Develop program for Eye Detection with the help of Dlib library, Cmake library and numpy library.

- First, the video retrieves an image frame from the camera.
- The algorithm detects the face in the pre-processed image by using facial landmarks produced by Dlib library.
- In the detected face region, the algorithm finds the face landmark.
- The facial landmarks produced by Dlib is an index able list.
- To detect eye region, the correct array slices from the set of face landmarks is detected.
- Using EAR (eye aspect ratio) to determine whether the eyes of the driver are closed or not while driving.
- If the eye aspect ratio indicates that the eyes have been closed for a sufficiently long enough amount of time, we'll sound an alarm to wake up the driver.
- Set the EAR threshold = 0.25.
- Compute the eye aspect ratio (EAR) of both the eyes.
- Check to see if the eye aspect ratio is below the "blink/closed" eye threshold.
- If it is, we increment COUNTER, the total number of consecutive frames where the person has had their eyes closed.
- Developing an efficient system for the driver drowsiness detection using Arduino to display the suggestions for the driver.
- Using the PySerial module to link Arduino with python. PySerial is a Python API module which is used to read and write serial data to Arduino.
- If the counter is greater than 50, alarm sounds and "ALERT!" is displayed in the LCD.

Eye aspect ratio:

Unlike traditional image processing methods for computing blinks which typically involve some combination of Eye localization threshold to find the whites of the eyes.

Determining if the white region of the eyes disappears for a sufficient period of time which is indicating a blink. The eye aspect ratio is instead a much more elegant solution that involves a very simple calculation based on the ratio of distances between facial landmarks of the eyes. This method for eye blink detection is fast, efficient, and easy to implement.

The `eye_aspect_ratio` function is used to compute the ratio of distances between the vertical eye landmarks and the distances between the horizontal eye landmarks. The return value of the eye aspect ratio will be approximately constant when the eye is open. The value will then rapid decrease towards zero during a blink. If the eye is closed, the eye aspect ratio will again remain approximately constant, but will be much smaller than the ratio when the eye is open.

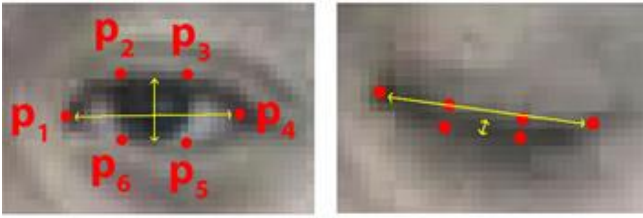


Fig. 2 *Left:* Visualization of eye landmarks when the eye is active. *Right:* Eye landmarks when the eye is inactive.

We observe, that the eye aspect ratio is constant, then drops quickly to zero, then again increases, indicating a blink. In our drowsiness detector system, we'll be analyzing the eye aspect ratio to see if the value falls and does not increase back again to constant, this implies that the person has closed their eyes for a sufficient amount of time to sound the alarm.

The formula used for calculation of EAR is as follows:

$$EAR = \frac{\|p_2 - p_6\| + \|p_3 - p_5\|}{2\|p_1 - p_4\|}$$

EAR algorithm:

Step 1: Use the Detected Eye region from the algorithm.

Step 2: Compute the Eye Aspect Ratio to determine if the eyes are closed.

Step 3: If EAR satisfies the drowsy condition then move to step 5.

Step 4: If EAR is normal then go to Step 1.

Step 5: Sound Alarm.

LCD display using Liquid Crystal Library in Arduino Uno board:

The LiquidCrystal library allows us to control LCD displays which are compatible with the Hitachi HD44780 driver. The LCDs have a parallel interface, so that the microcontroller has to manipulate several interface pins at a time to control the display. The interface consists of the following pins:

- A register select (RS) pin that controls where in the LCD's memory to which the data is written. We can select either the data register, which holds what goes on the screen, or an instruction register, which is the LCD's controller searches for instructions to perform in future.
- A Read/Write (R/W) pin selects reading mode or writing mode

- An Enable pin enables writing function to the registers.
- 8 data pins (D0 -D7): The states of these pins are the bits that we're writing to a register when we provide an input, or the values we're reading when we display the output.
- There is a display contrast pin (Vo), power supply pins (+5V and Gnd) and LED Backlight (Bkl+ and Bkl-) pins that are used to power the LCD, control the display contrast, switch on and off the LED backlight, respectively.
- The process of controlling the display involves input the data that form the image of what we want to display on the screen, then providing instructions to the instruction register.
- The Hitachi-compatible LCDs can be controlled in two modes: 4-bit or 8-bit. The 4-bit mode requires seven I/O pins from the Arduino, while the 8-bit mode requires 11 pins.
- The alert message is the displaying text on the screen.

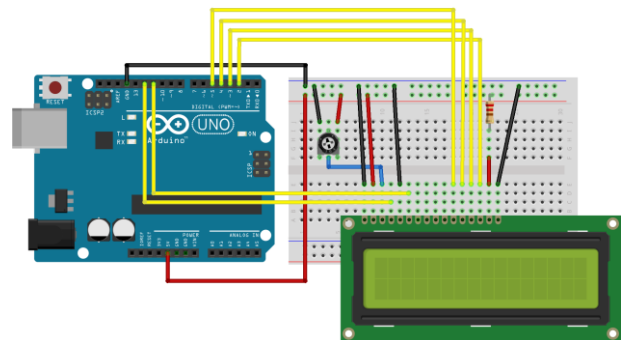


Fig. 3 Circuit diagram for LCD display using Arduino board.

A. Work Done

- Develop program for face detection using OpenCV to determine positive and negative samples.
- If a face is found, we apply facial landmark detection and extract the eye regions.
- Develop program for Eye Detection with the help of Dlib library, Cmake library and numpy library.

- Using EAR (eye aspect ratio) to determine whether the eyes of the driver are closed or not while driving.
- If the eye aspect ratio indicates that the eyes have been closed for a sufficiently long enough amount of time, we'll sound an alarm to wake up the driver.
- EAR threshold = 0.25.
- Developing an efficient system for the driver drowsiness detection using Arduino to display the alert message so the drivers participating in the traffic will slow down or stop their vehicles.
- Using the PySerial module to link Arduino with python. PySerial is a Python API module which is used to read and write serial data to Arduino.
- Testing and implementation of System by measuring the accuracy and robustness of the system.

V. RESULTS AND ANALYSIS

A. Results of Eye Aspect Ratio for different condition of the eye region:

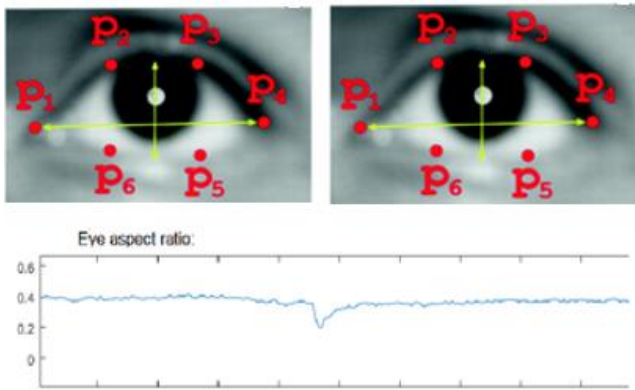


Fig. 4 Top-Left: Visualization of eye landmarks when the eye is in active. Top-Right: Eye landmarks when the eye is active. Bottom: Plotting the eye aspect ratio versus time. The absence of a dip in the eye aspect ratio indicates a no blink has occurred.

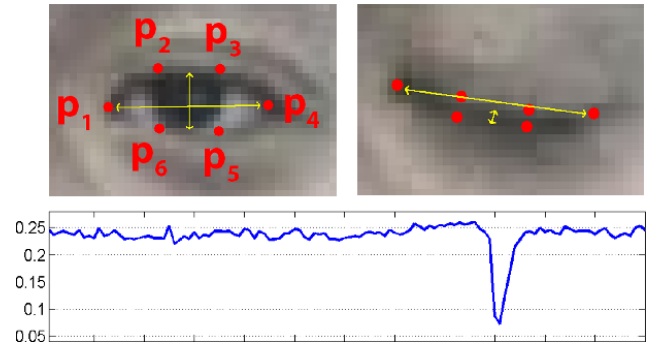


Fig. 5 Top-Left: Visualization of eye landmarks when the eye is in active. Top-Right: Eye landmarks while the eye is undergoing a blink. Bottom: Plotting the eye aspect ratio versus time. The dip in the eye aspect ratio indicates a blink.

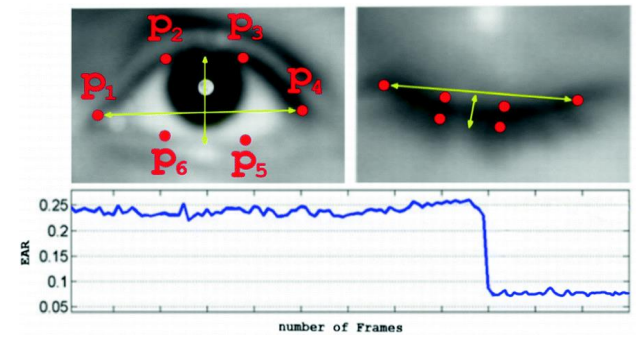


Fig. 6 Top-Left: Visualization of eye landmarks when the eye is in active. Top-Right: Eye landmarks while the eye is inactive. Bottom: Plotting the eye aspect ratio versus time. The drop in the eye aspect ratio indicates an inactive eye.

B. comparison between Eye Aspect Ratio graph with blink state graph:

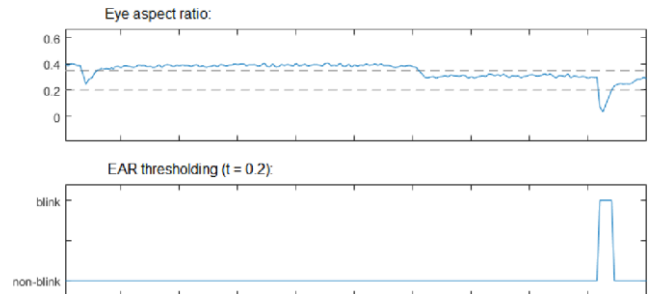


Fig. 7 Top: Plotting the eye aspect ratio versus time. Bottom: Plotting blink or no blink versus time shows a blink has taken place for an EAR threshold of 0.2.

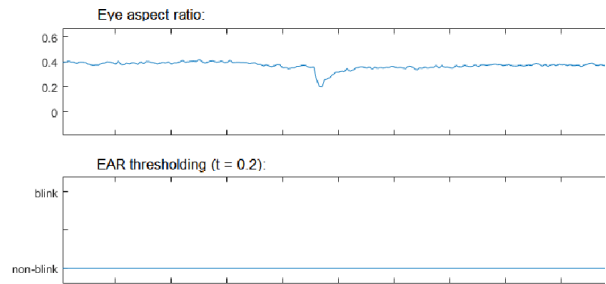


Fig. 8 Top: Plotting the eye aspect ratio versus time. Bottom: Plotting blink or no blink versus time shows no blink has taken place for an EAR threshold of 0.2.

C. Result of Facial landmark detection using webcam:



Fig. 9 Screen shot of Active state of driver.

D. Result of Eye extraction and EAR analysis using webcam:



Fig. 10 Screen shot of Drowsy state of driver.

E. Result of alert message displayed on LCD display:

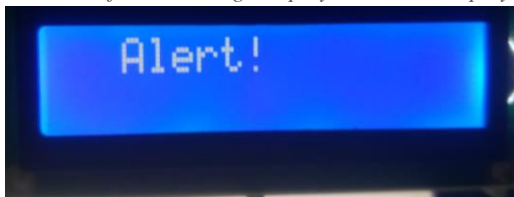


Fig. 11 Picture of LCD display showing th alert message.

F. Analysis

Face detection and Eye detection:

- The system correctly detects face and the eyes of the user.
- Accuracy of the system:
The accuracy of the system is determined using the following formula.
$$\text{Accuracy (\%)} = (\text{no. of correct outputs}) / (\text{total no. of outputs}) * 100.$$

- The accuracy of the system should be above 90%.
- False Detection Rate:
False detection rate should be less than 1.5%.

G.Results of performance metric for a 7 inputs:

Input No.	Total Experimental Blinks	True Detection	False Detection	Missed Detection	Accuracy
1	10	3	0	0	100%
2	8	4	0	0	100%
3	12	2	0	0	100%
4	15	5	0	0	100%
5	27	10	0	1	91%
6	9	3	0	0	100%
7	17	6	0	0	100%

Fig.12 Performance metric

VI. CONCLUSION

This project provides a practical driving Drowsiness detection system based on OpenCV, Dlib and Arduino in python. Driver Drowsiness is a serious concern to drivers and traffic participants. Our proposed system will overcome the drawbacks by providing accurate and reliable results after analyzing the condition of a driver while driving. The methodology of our system is fairly easy and straightforward. We can set up a camera with a good pixel quality to extract the face and its components which are eyes, nose and mouth using facial landmark detection, then we extract eye region and apply eye aspect ratio (EAR) algorithm to determine whether the eyes are closed or remained open by specifying a minimum threshold for the EAR ratio, which triggers the alarm sound which is embedded in the program, simultaneously the LCD screen will display an alert message to caution the vehicles participating in the . The system can be used in wide range of locomotives such as trucks, cars, aeroplanes. In future, this system can be developed into an inbuilt system by vehicle manufacturers and installing an infrared camera, high resolution speakers and a high definition LCD display. Furthermore this system can be improved to detect and track the eye region even if driver is wearing shades.

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