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ABSTRACT

The "Social Distancing Project using Computer Vision and Deep Learning" aims to address the critical need for effective social distancing measures in public spaces, especially during contagious disease outbreaks like COVID-19.

The project utilizes a network of surveillance cameras equipped with computer vision algorithms to detect and track individuals in real-time. By analyzing the video feed, the system can accurately estimate the distance between people and identify instances of close proximity that violate social distancing norms. Additionally, the project incorporates deep learning models to distinguish between different activities, such as standing, walking, or running, to further enhance the accuracy of distance measurements.

The system generates real-time alerts or notifications whenever social distancing violations occur, enabling immediate intervention to mitigate the risk of disease transmission. These notifications can be sent to designated personnel or displayed on digital signage to promote public awareness and compliance.

The effectiveness of the proposed solution will be evaluated through extensive testing in various public environments, including retail stores, transportation hubs, and public parks. The project aims to provide valuable insights into social distancing compliance rates and patterns, facilitating evidence-based decision-making for public health authorities and policymakers.

In conclusion, the "Social Distancing Project using Computer Vision and Deep Learning" offers a promising approach to monitor and enforce social distancing guidelines in real-time. By harnessing the power of computer vision and deep learning, this project has the potential to significantly contribute to public health efforts during contagious disease outbreaks, ultimately helping to safeguard communities and reduce the spread of infections.

INTRODUCTION

Motivation

The manual nature of traditional social distance monitoring techniques makes them prone to human mistakes. This initiative aims to revolutionize social distancing enforcement by utilizing the power of computer vision and deep learning. It attempts to offer an automatic, precise, and in-the-moment solution that can guarantee adherence to social distance rules in various public settings.

The project's motivation also lies in the potential to contribute to public health efforts by providing valuable insights into social distancing compliance rates and patterns. The data generated through extensive testing in various public spaces will enable evidence-based decision-making for public health authorities and policymakers.

Prior work/ Background

Earlier research on social distance monitoring has used a variety of detecting techniques. To detect human presence and activity, some of these methods have included IoT motion sensors and AI and Deep Learning algorithms. These techniques have been used to construct real-time monitoring systems or to analyse pre-existing video and image data.

However, deploying these algorithms on local monitoring systems has presented several challenges in achieving accurate detection and analysis. To improve the precision of detection and enhance analysis capabilities, researchers have been exploring the emergence of more effective algorithms and procedures. Notably, technologies such as OpenVino and OpenCV, which encompass advanced Computer Vision algorithms, have been utilized to achieve better analysis results and refine the detection process.

PROJECT APPROACH

Source Compilers and Libraries

1. Python 3.10:

Python 3.10 is a popular programming language that can be used for artificial intelligence (AI) and deep learning tasks. While Python itself is a versatile language for various applications, it has gained significant popularity in the AI and deep learning communities due to its simplicity, extensive libraries, and vibrant ecosystem.

2. OpenCV:

OpenCV (Open Source Computer Vision) is an open-source library of computer vision and image processing functions. It provides a wide range of tools and algorithms that enable developers to perform various tasks related to image and video analysis, object detection and recognition, and more.

3. OpenVino:

OpenVINO (Open Visual Inference and Neural Network Optimization) is an open-source toolkit developed by Intel. It is designed to optimize and accelerate the deployment of deep learning models across a wide range of Intel hardware platforms, including CPUs, GPUs, FPGAs, and Neural Compute Stick devices.

4. Numpy:

NumPy is a popular numerical computing library for Python. It provides a powerful and efficient way to handle large arrays and matrices of numeric data, along with a wide range of mathematical functions for array manipulation and computation.

Project Details

The primary objective of this project is to develop a robust system that leverages the OpenVINO (Open Visual Inference and Neural Network Optimization) toolkit to perform social distance inference on video data. The purpose is to create an application capable of analyzing video footage and accurately detecting violations of social distancing guidelines, thereby contributing to the mitigation of contagious disease transmission.

To achieve this, the project will utilize the pre-trained deep learning model known as "yolov8". The OpenVINO toolkit's inference engine will be leveraged to optimize the performance of this model specifically for social distance estimation.

The project will involve multiple components, including the integration of the developed system with video input and output functionalities.

By employing OpenVINO, optimizing the yolov8 model, and integrating it with video-related functionalities, this project aims to provide an effective solution for monitoring social distancing compliance. The ultimate goal is to enable real-time analysis of video footage, accurate identification of social distancing violations, and contribute to the broader efforts of mitigating the spread of contagious diseases.

Algorithm

1. Install necessary libraries in the Python compiler.
2. Perform model pre-processing and store the pre-processed model files in the designated directory.
3. Provide the path for the XML and BIN files of the pre-processed model.
4. Initialize the IECore (Inference Engine Core) and compile the model core with CPU as the processor for local system implementation.
5. Define the Euclidean distance function to calculate the distance between people.
6. Set the pixel-to-distance ratio, initializing it to 200 pixels representing 1 meter.
7. Define variables for frame height, width, and the destination path for storing results.
8. Initialize empty lists to store box coordinates, confidences, and class IDs.
9. Calculate the frames per second (FPS) using the appropriate formula and set the threshold value for detection confidence to 0.5.
10. Implement code to display bounding boxes around each detected person, along with the detection rate and the number of social distancing violations based on the calculated distance.

Result Analysis

OpenVINO significantly outperforms OpenCV in terms of accuracy when comparing them using similar parameters. The output provided by OpenVINO demonstrates a notably higher level of accuracy compared to OpenCV. OpenVINO exhibits higher frame rates, resulting in

smoother output compared to OpenCV. Moreover, the inference time and computational resources required by OpenVINO are considerably lower than those demanded by OpenCV. The OpenVINO CPU inference engine, with its high optimization methods, competes impressively with OpenCV GPU, thereby leveling the field between the two frameworks. By developing a social distance inference system using OpenVINO, this project aims to make a valuable contribution to public health efforts. The system serves as a tool for monitoring and enforcing social distancing guidelines across various settings, including public spaces, workplaces, and events. Upon implementation and execution of the application website, comprehensive analysis of the results has been conducted, exploring various possibilities and potential outcomes. The screenshots of them are given below.

Model results:



Optimized model outputs:



CONCLUSION

In conclusion, the Social Distancing Project has created a system that effectively uses OpenVINO's capabilities to perform social distance inference on video data. The system was created utilizing computer vision and deep learning. The project has successfully achieved precise and real-time detection of social distance breaches by optimization of a pre-trained deep learning model and integration with video processing functionalities. OpenVINO outperforms OpenCV in terms of accuracy, frame rates, inference time, and computing efficiency, according to comparison testing with OpenCV. The CPU inference engine of OpenVINO has distinguished itself as an excellent substitute for OpenCV's GPU implementation thanks to its high optimization techniques. The created system has a lot of potential for public health initiatives since it provides an important instrument for observing and enforcing social distance rules in various contexts. By quickly identifying and notifying infractions, it can help prevent the spread of contagious diseases, enhancing public safety.

In summary, the use of OpenVINO, alongside optimized deep learning models, has demonstrated exceptional accuracy, efficiency, and applicability in monitoring and enforcing social distancing guidelines. This project holds tremendous potential in supporting public health initiatives and safeguarding communities during contagious disease outbreaks.

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