

Deep Learning Technique for Monitoring Drivers Distraction from Physiological and Visual Signals

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ABSTRACT:

Driver drowsiness is the leading cause of accidents worldwide. Due to lack of sleep and fatigue, many motorists often experience fatigue and drowsiness, which often leads to traffic accidents. Warn the driver early is the best way to avoid traffic accidents caused by drowsiness. There are numerous techniques to detect sleepiness. In this article, we presented a deep learning-based approach to detect driver drowsiness. We used the convolutional neural network-based transfer learning method (MobileNet), a class of deep learning. We used the eye region-based dataset to predict sleepiness.

INTRODUCTION:

Sleep deprivation, also known as drowsy driving, fatigued driving, or sleep-deprived driving, is a dangerous phenomena in which people operate

motor vehicles while suffering from

cognitive impairment brought on by a lack of sleep. This problem currently accounts for a significant portion of traffic accidents and has the same ability to impair the human brain as alcoholism. This study sheds light on the prevalence of sleep-deprived driving by using data from a survey conducted in 1998 that revealed the unexpected finding that 23% of respondents reported to nodding off while driving. Additionally, gender differences in sleepy driving are investigated. According to research from the US Department of Transportation, male drivers have a twofold higher risk of reporting incidences of dozing off behind the wheel than female drivers. . The research presented herein underscores the critical need for heightened awareness, education, and preventive measures to mitigate the risks associated with sleep-deprived driving.

According to the Harvard Medical School's Department of Sleep Medicine, over 250,000 drivers fall asleep at the wheel, everyday in the United States.

The National Sleep Foundation performed a countrywide survey that offers useful information about how common drowsy driving is among adult drivers. According to the survey, alarming 54% of adult drivers admitted to having driven while feeling sleepy in the previous year, with 28% of respondents confessing to actually falling asleep behind the wheel. These results highlight the worrisome frequency of events involving sleepy driving and highlight the severity of the issue. The National Highway road Safety Administration has established that drowsy driving is a major cause of road accidents, and this study investigates the substantial ramifications of this fact. The article's conclusion emphasizes the urgent need for initiatives and plans designed to discourage sleepy driving and advance road safety.. More than 100,000 accidents and 6,550 fatalities are attributed to it in the USA every year. In addition, it causes about 80,000 injuries every year.

When a person doesn't get enough sleep, it can negatively

impact their ability to function properly. This can result in impaired coordination, long reaction times, impaired judgment, and impaired memory, among other things.

With more vehicles on the road, traffic accidents have become a common occurrence and one of the leading causes of death in many parts of the country. The driver is responsible for road safety and the proper functioning of the road traffic system. As a driver, you are not only responsible for your own safety, but also for that of your passengers.

Drowsiness has the potential to cause serious issues for both drivers and passengers, and in severe circumstances, it may lead to deadly accidents [11]. It is a common human feature that is sometimes underappreciated in terms of its safety consequences. Driver fatigue is a critical subject that needs quick attention in order to improve road safety. Given the alarmingly high number of traffic incidents globally that are related to this state, the detection of driver drowsiness takes critical importance within the context of modern driver monitoring systems. In especially while engaging in activities like driving and operating heavy machinery, effectively regulating sleepiness is essential to protecting human life. This introduction essay lays the foundation for a thorough investigation of the complex issues surrounding driver fatigue and the crucial role it plays in contemporary safety paradigms. We will examine the use of the Histogram of Oriented Gradients (HOG) technique to detect sleepiness and the correlation between relevant

variables.

The histogram of oriented gradients (HOG) is a widely used method computer vision technique that captures local shape and edge information from images. By computing gradient orientations and magnitudes within localized fields of view, HOG provides a powerful descriptor for object detection and detection tasks. In the context of sleepiness detection, the HOG descriptor can be used to analyze facial images and extract features related to eye movements and closing patterns.

To detect sleepiness using the HOG technique, we can track relevant facial features and compute the histogram of oriented gradients in specific areas of interest, such as the eyes. By examining the gradient orientations and magnitudes in these regions, we can detect patterns associated with eyes open or closed, thus inferring levels of sleepiness.

In addition to utilizing the HOG technique, correlating relevant variables can enhance the accuracy and reliability of drowsiness detection. By examining the correlation between various physiological and behavioral parameters, such as eye movements, head position, heart rate, and external stimuli, we can better understand the factors contributing to drowsiness. Correlation analysis allows us to identify the most influential variables and establish relationships that can be used to develop

More robust drowsiness detection algorithms.

By combining the power of the Histogram of Oriented Gradients (HOG)

technique with correlation analysis of relevant variables, we aim to create an effective system for detecting drowsiness in real-time scenarios. This approach holds great potential in various applications, such as driver monitoring systems, workplace safety, and medical monitoring, where timely detection of drowsiness can prevent accidents and ensure the well-being of individuals. Drowsiness detection plays a vital role in ensuring safety, particularly in scenarios where individuals are engaged in activities such as driving or operating heavy machinery. With the advancements in computer vision and deep learning, Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs) have proven to be a powerful tool for drowsiness detection. In this introduction, we explore the application of CNNs in detecting drowsiness and its potential impact on safety and well-being.

A particular class of deep learning models specifically designed for the analysis of visual data are convolutional neural networks (CNNs). They have a history of exceptional successes in a variety of tasks, including picture classification, object recognition, and even the challenging field of facial recognition, demonstrating their proficiency in the field of computer vision. Leveraging the ability to learn complex hierarchical patterns, CNNs offer a promising solution for drowsiness detection by analyzing facial images or video streams. By training a CNN on a large dataset of labeled images or video frames, the network can learn to extract discriminative features associated with drowsiness, such as eye closure, facial

expressions, or head movements. Then it works to automatically discover and represent patterns that distinguish between alert and drowsy states. This enables the CNN to generalize and make accurate predictions on unseen data, making it a valuable tool for real-time drowsiness detection.

The advantages of CNNs in drowsiness detection are numerous. Firstly, CNNs can capture intricate spatial relationships within the face and its features, allowing for fine-grained analysis of subtle drowsiness cues. Secondly, their ability to learn and adapt to different individuals and environmental conditions makes them highly adaptable and robust in diverse scenarios. Moreover, the use of CNNs eliminates the need for manual feature engineering, as the network learns to extract relevant features automatically.

The application of CNNs in drowsiness detection has the potential to revolutionize safety measures in various domains. In the automotive industry, for instance, integrating CNN-based drowsiness detection systems into

Advanced driver assistance systems can provide early warnings to drivers, significantly reducing the risk of accidents caused by drowsiness-related incidents. Similarly, in industries involving heavy machinery or transportation, the implementation of CNN-based drowsiness detection can enhance workplace safety and prevent potential disasters.

The aim of this article is to examine

this development & evaluation of a CNN-based drowsiness detection system. We investigate the architecture and training process of the CNN, explore various techniques for dataset preparation and augmentation, and evaluate the performance of the system on different real-world datasets. Additionally, we analyze the effectiveness of the CNN-based approach by comparing it with existing methods and discussing its advantages, limitations, and potential future advancements.

By leveraging the power of Convolutional Neural Networks, this journal contributes to ongoing development efforts accurate and reliable drowsiness detection systems. Through rigorous experimentation and analysis, we aim to provide insights and practical guidance for researchers and practitioners in the field of computer vision and drowsiness detection, with the ultimate goal of improving safety and well-being in various domains.

Therefore, we are developing an application that can detect a person's drowsiness, providing early warning to the driver or co-passengers so that appropriate action can be taken to prevent accidents [3].

Related Work:

A notable study was undertaken by Gwak, Hirao, Shino, and their colleagues in the field of driver monitoring systems to look at the possibility of categorizing drivers' alert levels, with a focus on diagnosing mild drowsiness. Their strategy involves a hybrid fusion of physiological, behavioral, and vehicle-based signs, with an emphasis on the usefulness of

these categories as part of a detection system. They carefully assessed participants' levels of tiredness, driving performance, physiological signals (derived from electroencephalogram and ECG data), and behavioral indices using a combination of a driving simulator and driver monitoring system. They created a dataset based on the collected indices over a 10-second period after successfully identifying alarm and sleepiness states in drivers using cutting-edge machine learning methods. The study concluded with the implementation of ensemble algorithms for robust classification, offering valuable insights into the realm of driver alertness assessment.

You, Li, Gong, and Wang introduced a real-time fatigue detection algorithm that accounts for individual driver differences. Their approach utilized a deep cascaded convolutional neural network to effectively detect the driver's facial region, mitigating accuracy issues associated with artificial feature extraction. Leveraging the Dlib toolkit, they identified landmarks on the driver's frontal face and introduced a novel parameter called Eyes Aspect Ratio to assess the driver's sleepiness within the current frame, accommodating variations in driver eye size. The proposed algorithm comprised two key modules: offline training, involving a unique fatigue state classifier based on Support Vector Machines trained using the eye aspect ratio as input, and online monitoring, wherein the trained classifier

continuously assessed the driver's condition. Additionally, they introduced a variable derived from the number of drowsiness images per unit time to gauge the driver's drowsiness, offering a valuable contribution to real-time driver fatigue detection methodologies.

A real-time driver drowsiness detection system that is lightweight and effortlessly incorporated into an Android application was created by Mehta, Dadhich, Gumber, and Bhatt. Their system successfully captured videos and used cutting-edge image processing methods to recognize the driver's face in every frame and later identify important facial traits. It estimated the Eye Aspect Ratio (EAR) and Eye Closure Ratio (ECR) using these features, dynamically applying adaptive criteria to identify driver intoxication. They used machine learning algorithms as part of their technique to assess the effectiveness of their suggested strategy. In a related vein, Song, Tan, Liu, and Chen presented a novel method for detecting eye closure in still facial photographs. This method has numerous potential uses, including the creation of human-computer interfaces, the study of facial expressions, and the detection of driver weariness. They used a method that combined the strength of several feature sets to fully define the minute details seen in eye patches, taking into account both local and global forms as well as local textures. They developed a novel feature descriptor known as "Multi-scale Histograms of Principal Oriented Gradients"

(MultiHPOG), which adds depth to the field of driver drowsiness detection and broadens its applicability in related domains. This feature descriptor was introduced to improve the robustness of their model against image noise and scale variations.

In their study, Savas and Becerikli proposed a novel multitasking convolutional neural network (CNN) model that is intended to accurately identify driver weariness and drowsiness. Their creative method used the characteristics of the lips and eyes to simulate driving behavior. Driver fatigue levels were monitored and evaluated using changes in these measures. Notably, their suggested multitask CNN model distinguished itself from earlier studies by classifying both oral and eye data simultaneously within a single integrated model. Key measures like eye closure time, eye closure percentage (PERCLOS), yawn frequency, and mouth frequency (FOM) were calculated to quantify driver sleepiness, making a significant addition to the field of driver drowsiness detection and its thorough understanding.

Bavkar, Iyer, and Deosarkar introduced an innovative approach that leveraged the use of absolute gamma band power as a discriminative feature. They employed an ensemble subspace K-Nearest Neighbor (K-NN) classifier to effectively categorize individuals as either alcoholics or normal individuals based on EEG data. Their study further introduced an improved binary gravitational search algorithm

(IBGSA) as an optimization tool to select the most informative EEG channels for expedited alcoholism screening. The results obtained through their proposed method were benchmarked against other optimization algorithms such as genetic algorithm (GA), binary particle swarm optimization (BPSO), and binary gravitational search algorithm (BGSA), contributing to the ongoing research on efficient and accurate alcoholism screening techniques.

In the realm of related research pertaining to alcoholism detection using EEG data, Bavkar, Iyer, and Deosarkar presented a comprehensive methodology. Their paper introduced an approach employing Empirical Mode Decomposition (EMD) to extract amplitude and frequency modulated bandwidth features from the Intrinsic Mode Function (IMF). To classify individuals as alcoholics or normals based on these features, they adopted an ensemble subspace K-Nearest Neighbor (K-NN) classifier. Significantly, the study included a novel aspect, where optimal EEG channels were meticulously identified using a harmony search algorithm. The fitness value of the Discrete Binary Harmony Search (DBHS) optimization algorithm was computed based on the accuracy and sensitivity achieved by the ensemble subspace classifier K-Nearest Neighbor, highlighting a valuable contribution to the field of alcoholism screening and EEG-based diagnostic techniques.

Sathasivam, S., Mahamad, A.K., Saon, S., Sidek, A., Som, M.M., Ameen, and H.A.: This article proposes a drowsiness image recognition system to detect the driver's

condition using the Eye Aspect Ratio (EAR) technique. A developed system equipped with the Pi Camera, Raspberry Pi 4 and GPS module is designed to continuously detect and analyze the state of eye closure in real time. This system is able to detect whether the driver is drowsy or not based on the initial glasses, dim light and micro-sleep state.

PROBLEMSTATEMENT:

A significant modern concern is the increase in traffic accidents around the world, which is largely due to dangerous and careless driving practices. Driver fatigue and focus problems have become prominent causes of accidents among the contributing factors. In order to address this problem, research on the ongoing monitoring of driver fatigue shows great potential for reducing the frequency of traffic accidents. In this journal article, we outline a practical method for implementing a driver drowsiness alarm system that makes use of deep learning and machine learning to identify and monitor occurrences of driver yawning and tiredness. For accurate face detection and recognition, our method uses the Histogram Centered Gradient (HOG) function descriptor, a tried-and-true method in the field of image processing. Subsequently, Convolutional neural networks (CNN) are employed to ascertain whether the identified image corresponds to a human face. Furthermore, we evaluate the driver's eye aspect ratio (EAR) and mouth aspect ratio (MAR) within specified limits to gauge signs of sleepiness or yawning. Recognizing that driver drowsiness correlates

with time spent behind the wheel, we introduce an element for periodically updating the reference frames for the face and mouth, thereby enhancing the sensitivity of drowsiness detection. This endeavor necessitates the integration of facial recognition to individualize driver tracking. Our overarching project's objective is to develop a multifaceted driver warning system, encompassing three pivotal components: facial recognition for vehicle access, traffic light recognition, and an advanced drowsiness warning system.

Methodology

1. Convolutional Neural

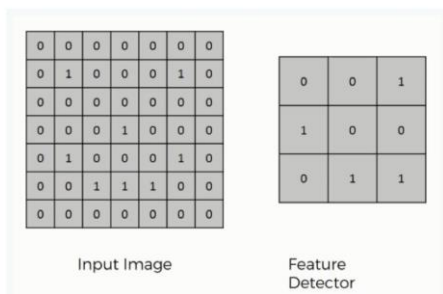
Network

Step1:convolutional

operation

The Initial component of our strategy involves the convolution operation. Here, we will cover the topic of feature detectors which acts as filters within the neural network. We will also address feature maps, understanding how to learn their parameters, detecting patterns, the various layers of detection and how the results are mapped out of max pooling and compare it with other pooling methods such as mean or sum pooling. Additionally, we will provide a visual demonstration to help clarify the concept. Our goal is to provide a comprehensive understanding of pooling.

Fig1:Convolutional operations



scanStep2: Pooling Layer

In this section, we will focus on the concept to pooling and its function in Convolutional Neural Networks. Specifically, we will explore the technique and its role in the broader context of CNN.

Step 3: Flattening

In this section, we will discuss the flattening process and how it enables us to transition from pooled layers to flattened layers in Convolutional Neural Networks. We will explore the purpose of flattening, the mechanics of the process, and the resulting structure of the flattened layer.

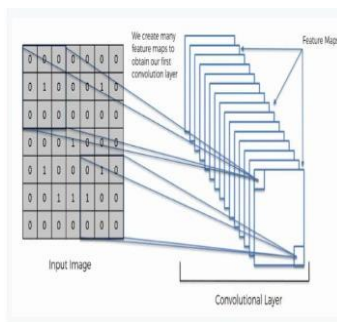


Fig 2: Convolution

mappingsStep(1b): ReLU Layer

The second part of this step involves ReLU activation functions. ReLU is a type of activation function used in neural networks to introduce nonlinearity[14]. It takes an input value and returns either that value or zero, depending on whether the input is positive or negative, respectively. ReLU layers can be used after convolutional layers to improve the neural network's accuracy and ability to detect more complex patterns in the data.

Step 4: Full Connection

In this section, we will synthesize the comprehensive understanding of Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs) that we have gained throughout this module. This holistic perspective will equip us with the knowledge needed to embark on the development of a CNN algorithm tailored for the detection of driver distraction using both physiological and visual signals.

Our methodology encompasses the following steps:

Convolutional Neural Networks Scan Images

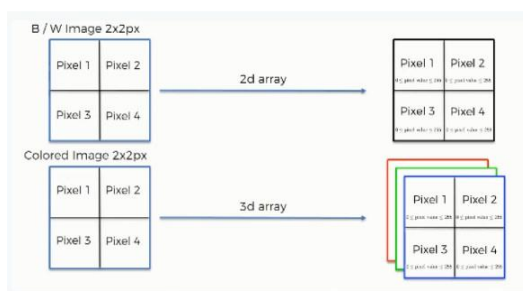


Fig 3: CNN image

Data Collection: Begin by curating a dataset that encompasses physiological signals (e.g., heart rate, respiration rate) and visual signals (e.g., video frames) from drivers engaged in a variety of distraction scenarios. It is imperative that this dataset includes instances of both distracted and non-

distracted driving for effective model training.

Preprocessing: Prepare the physiological and visual signals for CNN input by applying necessary preprocessing steps. This may encompass filtering, normalization, resizing of visual signals, and feature extraction or transformation for physiological signals.

Dataset Split: Divide the dataset into distinct subsets for training, validation, and testing. The training set serves as the foundation for CNN training, the validation set aids in hyperparameter tuning, and the testing set evaluates the model's performance.

Architecture Design: Design the CNN architecture, commencing with a basic structure featuring convolutional layers followed by pooling layers and concluding with fully connected layers. Experiment with different architectural configurations and layer settings to optimize model performance.

Model Training: Train the CNN using the training set, defining a suitable loss function (e.g., cross-entropy) and optimizer (e.g., Adam). Throughout training, iteratively

adjust the network's weights and biases to minimize the loss function.

Hyperparameter Tuning: Utilize the validation set to fine-tune hyperparameters such as learning rate, number of filters, kernel sizes, and dropout rates. This step is vital for optimizing the model's performance and averting overfitting.

Model Evaluation: Assess the trained model's effectiveness using the testing set. Compute critical metrics like accuracy, precision, recall, and F1 score to gauge its performance in accurately detecting driver distraction.

Postprocessing: Implement postprocessing techniques, if necessary, such as thresholding or smoothing, to enhance the interpretability of the model's output or further improve its performance.

Deployment: Once satisfied with the model's performance, deploy it for real-time driver distraction detection in practical scenarios. Ensure meticulous preprocessing of input signals before passing them through the deployed CNN model, securing accurate and reliable results.

This comprehensive approach amalgamates various facets of CNNs, data preprocessing, model optimization, and deployment, contributing to the development of an effective driver distraction detection system.

Fig4: CNN process

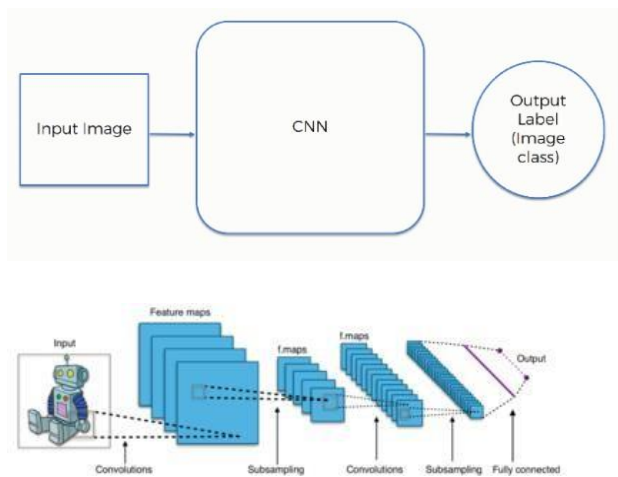


Fig5: CNN Layers Processing

Algorithm for detecting drowsiness:

Input: Stream of facial images or video frames

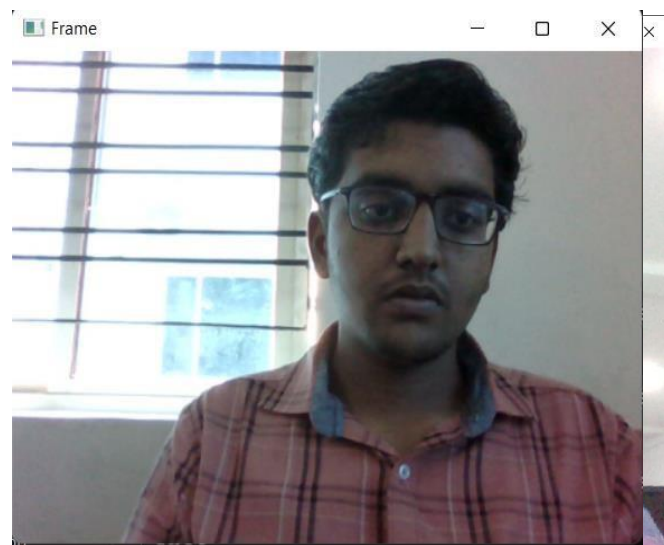
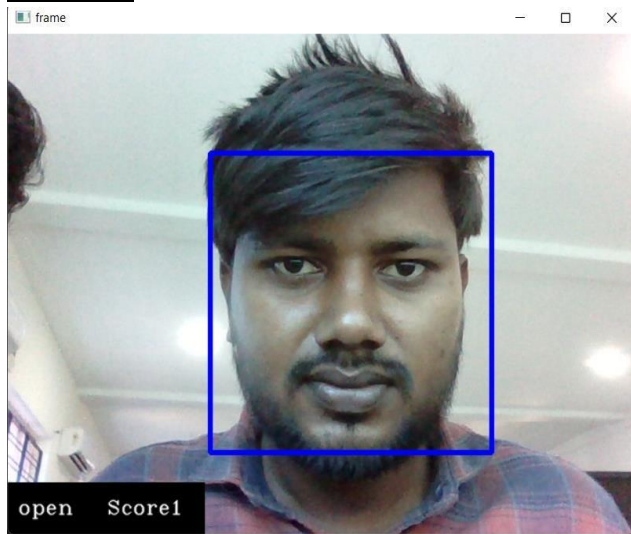
Output: Alert if drowsiness is detected

1. Initialize drowsiness_score=0
2. While true:
 - a. Capture the next frame from the videostream
 - b. Preprocess the frame (e.g., convert to gray scale, resize)
 - c. Extract relevant facial landmarks using facial detection algorithm Viola-

Jones Algorithm for Facial Detection

- d. Compute eye aspect ratio (EAR) for each eye:
 - Calculate the distance
 - Between eye landmarks vertically and horizontally
 - Compute the EAR as the ratio of vertical distances to horizontal distances
- b. Compute the average EAR for both eyes
- c. Update the drowsiness_score using the average EAR
- d. If drowsiness_score exceeds a certain threshold:
 - Trigger an alert (e.g., sound an alarm, display a warning message)
- e. Repeat from step (a)

RESULT:

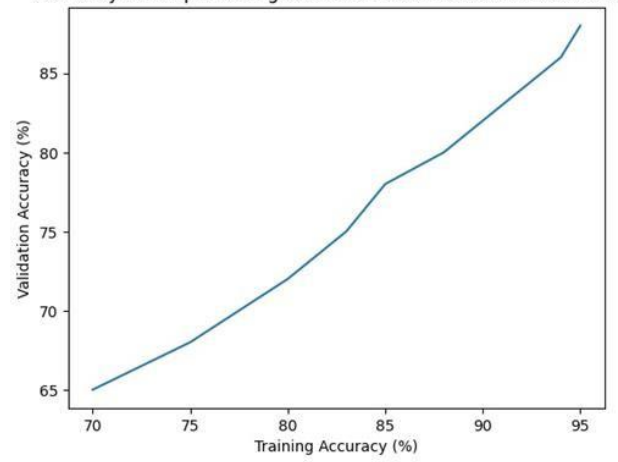


Accuracy values for detecting Driver Distraction

Epochs	Training Accuracy(%)	Validation Accuracy(%)
1	70	65
2	75	68
3	80	72
4	83	75
5	85	78
6	88	80
7	90	82
8	92	84
9	94	86
	95	88



Accuracy of Deep Learning Model for Driver Distraction Monitoring



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CONCLUSION:

Our program is designed with the primary objective of reducing road accidents attributed to driver drowsiness by implementing a drowsiness detection application. To achieve this, we employ a Convolutional Neural Network (CNN)-based transfer learning algorithm within the domain of deep learning to train our dataset. Following the learning phase, we utilize OpenCV for testing, allowing our proposed method to accurately predict whether a person is in a drowsy or normal state while driving. By effectively detecting the driver's state, our goal is to proactively prevent accidents caused by drowsiness.

As we conclude this section, we will recap and consolidate all the concepts and techniques that have been covered thus far. Additionally, we offer an optional tutorial on Softmax and Cross-Entropy, which can be beneficial for those intending to work with Convolutional Neural Networks in the future. While not mandatory for this course, familiarity with these concepts is encouraged as they may prove valuable in practical applications.

FUTURE ENHANCEMENTS:

In the future, it is desirable to develop a larger dataset and apply more intensive

techniques to adapt the current methodology. In addition, it is planned to monitor the driver's condition and develop a real-time driver distraction detection system. This may include the use of wireless technology to send traffic violation tickets as a message to the driver's cellphone based on images of the driver's distraction.

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