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## Vehicle count prediction using machine learning

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### ABSTRACT

In this research, we provide a regression-based technique for counting and classifying freeway traffic. This technique does not need the normal division and monitoring of personal vehicles. Numerous pre-existing routines. It is thus important that this solution be used. Significant obstructions or low-resolution vehicles may benefit from this tool low, where the derived characteristics are notoriously unstable. For example, our method has two important contributions. Firstly, the backdrop segments are detected using a stretching approach that has been devised. Unclassified cars are found in these areas. Mathematical models vehicles may be tracked using Kaplan filtering (e.g. it's not necessary to minimize the deformation of the vehicle induced by the mesh grid with a quel motion parallax effect throughout the warping process, transformations are calculated and applied. N process. A subset of these low-level traits is then extracted. Construct a tumbled linear regression for the foreground section to directly number and categorize automobiles, without the aid of any third party pertaining to connected vehicles. There are three distinct ways to approach this. The creation and assessment of regression regressions. Our findings are supported by experiments. With low-quality datasets, linear extrapolation algorithms are accurate and resilient many present techniques fail effectively extract useful information from qualities you can rely on high index terms.

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### 1. Introduction

It is possible to capture traffic data using dashcams on a regular basis. Vehicular video analysis means we can uncover new facts about traffic patterns in legitimate. Vehicle identification and classification are two key tasks that must be completed simultaneously in order to keep track of traffic flow in a particular area. Numerous uses might be made of the number and categorization data. For example, they are used to assess traffic load, road traffic, and now to find pollution and types of its causes.

Alternative sensors, like sonar, infrared, and even capacitive loop detection, might it be used for counts and categorization. In spite of the fact that certain devices have a higher degree of precision, be obtrusive to need more frequent repairs. Mass and automotive size classification might need some embedding measuring detectors on the road. For example, sight solutions

might be less invasive than previous methods, while obtaining much greater amounts of traffic data. Vision-based devices, on the other hand, maybe less precise and more susceptible to operational circumstances in the future (e.g., weather). This makes perception systems tough and essential test subjects in the field of automated driving.

Upper left classification, shadows correction, object recognition, and monitoring [1] are just a few examples of common components of an eyesight traffic analyser. There is generally a module to identify and separate cars for each horizon element s to count and categorize vehicles. It's possible to do this module after the edge detection or observation [2]. For contrast, if key points could be retrieved reliably over several picture frames, it is conceivable to construct express 2D/3D vehicle models. At the very least, photos with no extreme occlusions or motion blur are required for this kind of technique. In this study, we want to handle low-quality movies by omitting this section. Multiple automobiles might be obliterated and so create a big backdrop piece in our gathered films. Individual vehicle identification would be a challenge in this

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situation. Furthermore, the haloing effect might alter the geometry of a two-dimensional vehicle, making the perspective projection utilized in classic methods inaccurate. It's possible to lower the vehicle size to fewer than  $10 \times 10$  pixels for such following picture frame because of a low-frame-rate video. Consequently, it could be harder to identify and track feature points or edges that are more solid. Fig. 1 shows a selection of still images from the videos we've compiled. The suggested method includes two significant contributions.

A visual distorting approach is used to identify picture centre parts containing unknown cars first. We predict an ou pas lattice grid and then a perception modification so order to minimize vehicle deformation across successive picture frames. We don't need to monitor or analyse individual automobiles utilizing this warped approach. The limited viewpoint projection utilized in some previous methods (e.g. [2,3,4]) would not need to be assumed. If a vehicle's characteristics aren't accurate, the distortion technique may be used to approximate perspectives presentation. A quasi mesh grid is used to distort the highway portions, which are depicted in Fig. 1(c) and as well as the straighter highway parts (Fig. 1(c)). There are no other algorithms that we are aware of that are comparable to ours shown in the Fig. 1 (a,b,c,d).

To measure and categorize automobiles instantly, we offer feed-forward regression methods. The training set for the analysis is made up of a collection of reduced characteristics that have been retrieved. An evaluation is made of the three regression models: a conventional Torrent model and a Bayesian version of that model (called a "Naive bayes Fish model"). This study does not include additional traffic analytics entire system, such as shadowing removal or background delineation. Some of these parts might be handy in bad weather. When additional procedures for calling and categorization are introduced to the computer, the numbering and classifying efficiency may be significantly enhanced The structure of our paper is, Section two presents a review of previous research. Section three explains our method in great depth. Section four gives the scientific results, while Section five gathers the investigation.

## 2. Related works

We begin with a study of several traffic image retrieval approaches. When tracing a moving object, [5] a collection of Gabor filter [6] are retrieved and matched in subsequent picture frames to increase the performance of the system, as seen in [5].

Also, in [7], SIFT features may be seen in the backdrop blobs and tracked. To generate a three-dimensional representation of a vehicle, straight and sheer line characteristics are brought out in [8]. Similarly, Leotta et al. [9] fitted one general 3-D test rig to several hush photos by anticipating and matching image intensity edges. The contour estimate in a video may also be tracked simultaneously. A vehicle classifier based on texture points and an updated SIFT descriptor was presented by Ma et al. [10]. Results show that both vehicle and sedan classifying tasks, as well as taxi classifying tasks, are successful. It is suggested in [11] to combine 3-D objects of interest with HOG to create a 3-D expanded Histograms with Oriented Gradients (HOG) feature for detecting, classifying separate cars, people. The techniques described in [12] are used to pre-reconstruct 3-D vehicle models.

Deep packet inspection often uses factors that are specific to a certain geographic area. Tracking areas in images is done by matching, separating, and merging these regions in order to identify them. When comparing two successive images, foreshortening effects are not taken into account. Assuming that the individual cars have been separated following the identification of lanes and shadows, Hsieh and colleagues retrieved further information in [13,14].

For vehicle classification, turbidity is a primary source of uncertainty. In order to cope with this issue, several approaches have already been put forward. A collection of "components" that are monitored and categorized altogether might be referred to as characteristics [15,16,17]. [2,18]. Once the car is able to fit into picture frames, anomalies are also rather straightforward to see. A spatial Stochastic field is presented in [19] in order to identify obscured cars at crossings. In [20], a "leaving zone" across two blocked cars is made depending on the velocity field of sequential images. The study of convex form is also used in [21] to predict the "cutting line" that separates two obstructing automobiles.

Vehicle detection and tracking do not include photo distorting as just a step or element in [1]. A or before technique called picture warping has been used by some researchers to create a horizontally in order to make it easier to locate and monitor the vehicle (For instance, [7,22]) Four points of comparison are used to estimate a value.[7] shows a shift in perspective. It is necessary to carry out this modification such that the velocities of all objects are almost parallel to one another. In [22], the same concept is used to create lanes be readily seen. Image warping, on the other hand, has not yet been Directly used to identify unregulated vehicles. In addition, to many cases, the four areas of interest needed in these

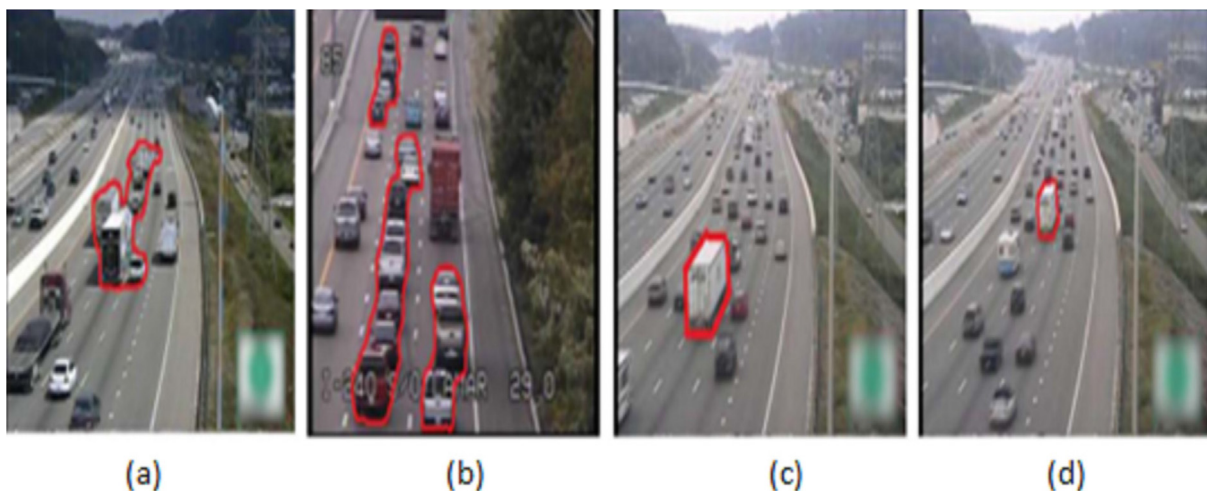


Fig. 1. Screening of automobiles that are not categorised.

methods are missing. Sufficient to represent non-straight route portions. As a result of the logic in our program, To better represent segments, we develop a quadratic mesh grid [32].

Accurate Many current algorithms may benefit from more robust features if the picture quality was better. These traits, however, are based on this might be quite unstable with respect to points, lines, and picture regions a picture of poor quality. As a result, it is unlikely that separate and monitors individual automobiles using them. And even 3-D reconstructions. Low-level characteristics that may be termed poor classifiers are used in this study. Regression may be used to directly count and categorize automobiles. We used regression analysis to get an accurate headcount for Our suggested approach is quite similar to [23]. A variety of options are available. In general, the two methods vary in just two respects. Ahead of anything else, let's take a look There are significant differences in the identification of unclassified vehicles and horizontal distances between subsequent sample points. (d) A dense mesh grid was created, and all are shown in the diagram Fig. 2(a, b, c, d).Figs. 4-5.

According to [24], the method of population division. Combining fluid texturing allows us to better isolate and separate the people at a time. The seen factor in the stochastic process is the film frames, while the buried variable captures the movements. To deal with inhomogeneous movies, a mixing element is also a hidden variable. Ground truth portions in the preceding frame are first warped using a linear stretching method. Viewpoint distortion may be reduced by using a spatial transform. In order to compare changed patch with their equivalent patch in the implementation status, WNCC (criteria weights cross correlations) is used. Two differences between programs are their regression frameworks. Because there are three distinct types of vehicles in our dataset, we devised a cascading regression framework for our method. Regression analysis had not previously used to count and categorise highway traffic, to our understanding.

### 3. Experiment

We obtained about 70 min of video remotely from a local transportation department at various highway points at various time intervals. The image is 352 240 pixels in size, with a frame of the same size predictor.

The expanded regions are from the same cars, each of which has 12 SIFT features and one SIFT feature. Five consecutive image frames and their corresponding foreground segments. Yellow segments contain unclassified vehicles and white segments contain classified vehicles that have been classified in previous frame. All the segments are extracted from the pre-defined region of interest. Slow connection transmission may well be the blame for the poor

frame rate. We physically tallied the newly entering automobiles in each picture frame based on the class. Accuracy is based on these personally counted findings. For each roadway, a specific area of interest (such as the area immediately around the cameras) is chosen. Fig. 3 displays examples of photographs taken at various periods of time. Using Math, our method can be executed in instantaneously. This warping method takes the longest time (0.16 ms on average). According to the model, each backdrop segment should take roughly 3.4 103 ms. [2,3,7-11,17] mention the extraction of various characteristics (e.g., contouring and function points) during traffic monitoring. It's possible to include these elements in a 3-D modelling of a car or to follow them through many frames of an image shown in Fig. 3.

Pictured in Fig. 3 are the extracted Texture feature spots and two types of contour information (the underlying outlines have been eliminated). It is impossible to put all of the driver's shapes into a single model since they are all blended together or difficult to differentiate. Even if can set the DoG dimension space's peak criteria to the least, the amount of SIFT features is severely restricted since the vehicular quality is so low. The modeling and tracking of these SIFT characteristics is additionally problematic because of their inconsistency between picture frames. For example, in the background regions of [7], SIFT elements must be matched and monitored. Using a hierarchical clustering method, the displacement vectors are clustered together. In the magnified areas of Fig. 3(d), the identical vehicle seems to have 12 SIFT characteristics in one picture frame and just 1 SIFT characteristic in the other. As a result, matching and tracking those SIFT traits would be quite challenging.

Other feature extraction approaches, like Harrison corner, could have the same issue, according to our research. As a consequence, several current algorithms (e.g. [2,3,7-11,17]) are unsuitable for low-quality films and may not be able to features extracted, resulting in erroneous enumeration and classifications.

Individual cars must also be segmented either during tracking in several current algorithms. When automobile resolution is low and significant vision problems are present, this categorization may be a tough challenge. Aside from the two occluded cars, several current algorithms (e.g. [7,13,14,20,21]) are unable to detect segments of the other vehicles. As seen in Fig. 3, each of the five accessories and their foreground parts are shown. Due to a low frame rate, automobiles might shrink to the point that they're almost indistinguishable after only one picture frame. In the front, there are significant occlusions. The number of automobiles in each of the foreground segments is almost limitless. The assumption is that a weak point of view exists.

There are several current systems that employ projecting, however, this isn't the case here. This study compares and contrasts

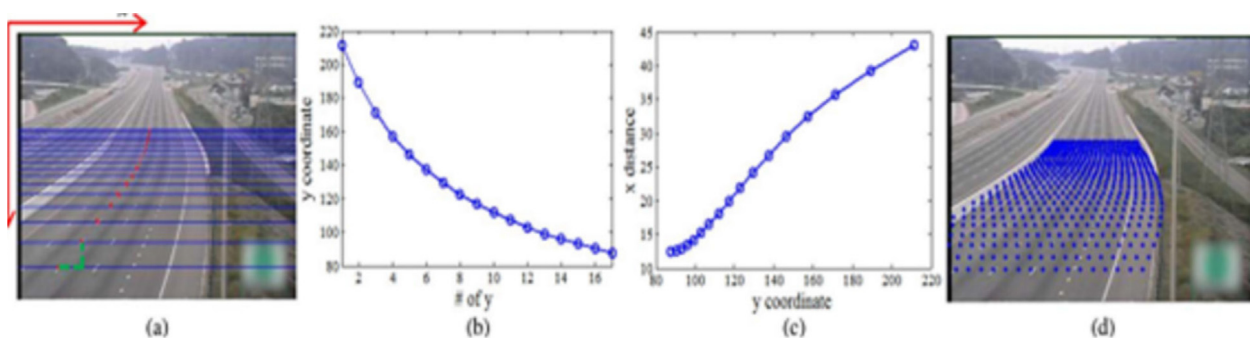
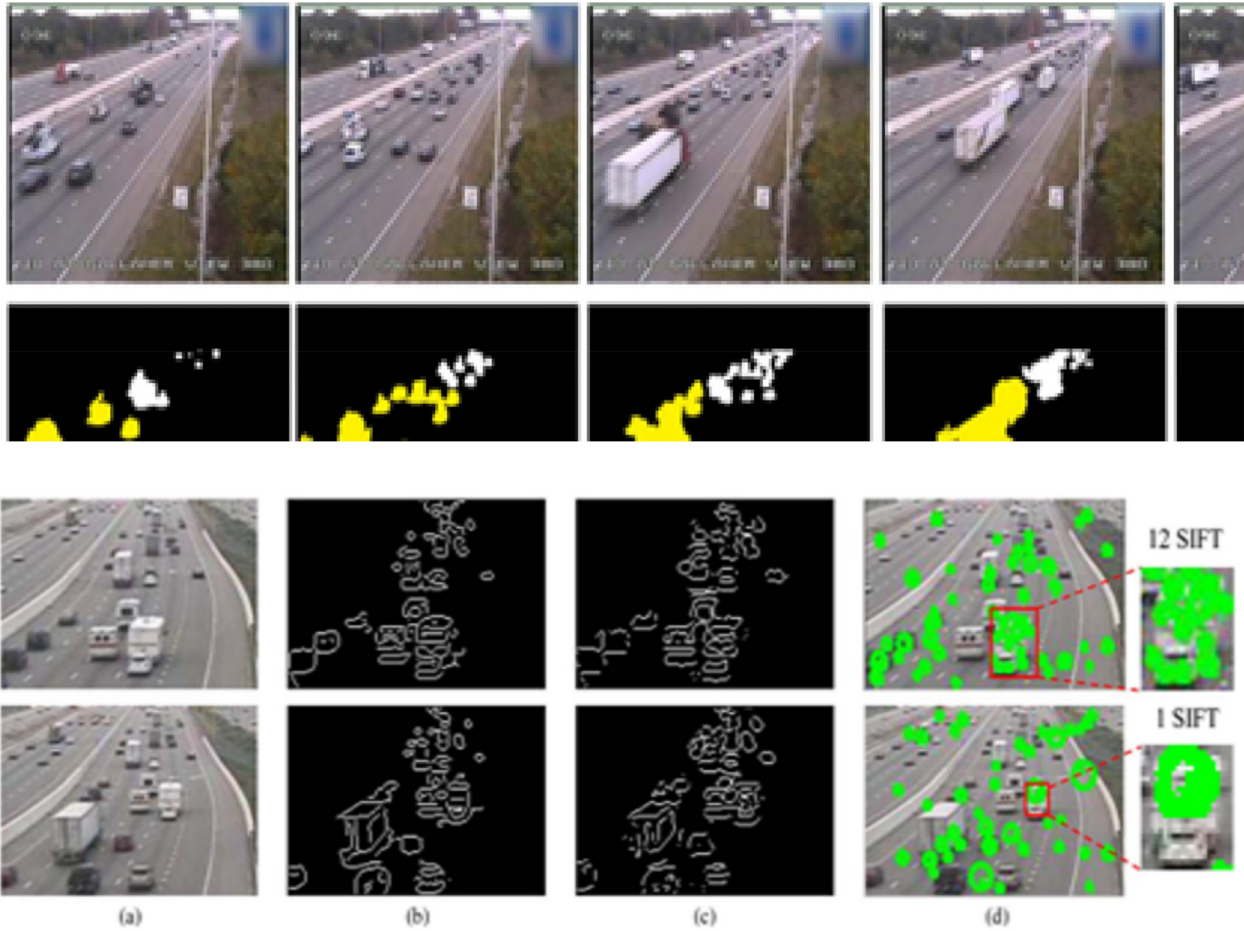
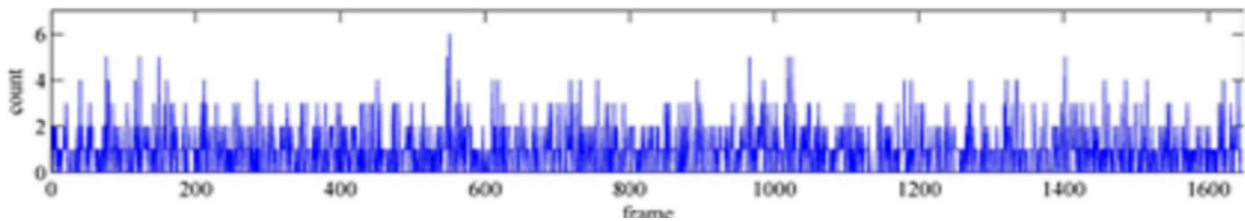


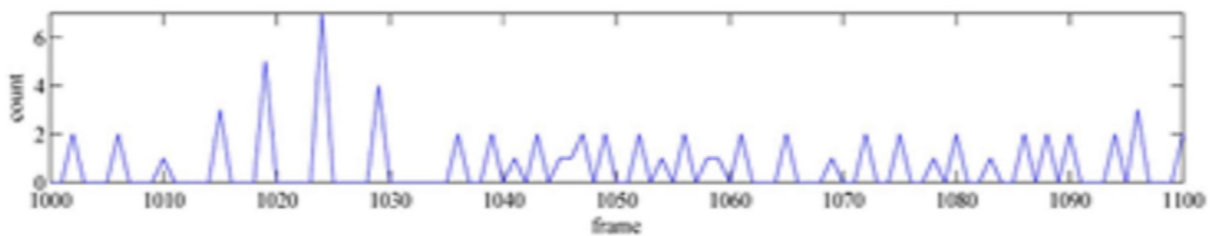
Fig. 2. (a) Red locations were sampled along the traffic path. (b) Fitted spline with vertical positions that are the sampled points' y coordinates (i.e., horizontal axis is the number of the sampled points, and vertical axis is the corresponding y coordinate). (c) Fitted spline utilising sampled points' y coordinates (i.e., the vertical axis in (b)). (For interpretation of the references to colour in this figure legend, the reader is referred to the web version of this article.)



**Fig. 3.** Unreliable contour and SIFT features are depicted. (a) Two image frames in a row. (b) Contours obtained using the Canny approach. (c) Contours derived from the Gaussian Laplacian technique. (d) The SIFT characteristic points.



**Fig. 4.** In the same traffic footage used in the previous figure, we estimated the size of little automobiles.



**Fig. 5.** In the above figure, the ground truth is between the 1000th and 1100th image frame.

three alternative extrapolation algorithms that use different sets of training data. Vehicles class objective mistake ( $err = 1 - N |ci - \hat{ci}|$ , where its measured and forecasted counts in the  $i$ th background segmentation,  $N$ , is the number of background parts) is determined in this way. Table 1 displays the results of the enumeration for

each characteristic and each feature category. Images with no or few automobiles are omitted from this research in order to get an accurate assessment since these images are not difficult and might considerably decrease absolute mistakes. As many as 11 small and medium-sized cars and 4 large-sized vehicles might be

**Table 1**

Performance Comparison by using the Regression Method and different features based on all features, the best classification rates for large, medium, and small vehicles are 92.7%, 63.4%, and 79.9% respectively which are corresponding to mean absolute errors of 0.146, 0.732, and 0.401.

Features	Regression Method	Mean Absolute Error (Standard Deviation)		
		Large	Medium	Small
All	Gaussian Process	1.028 (0.384)	1.788 (1.084)	1.171 (0.6853)
All	Poisson	0.146 (0.287)	0.752 (0.298)	0.401 (0.281)
All	Bayesian Poisson	0.196 (0.292)	0.732 (0.654)	0.730 (0.439)
Area	Gaussian Process	0.98 (0.236)	1.64 (1.170)	1.57 (1.011)
Area	Poisson	1.143 (0.278)	1.21 (0.298)	0.467 (0.281)
Area	Bayesian Poisson	0.08 (0.294)	0.827 (0.709)	1.213 (0.633)
Segment	Gaussian Process	1.020 (0.161)	1.83 (1.167)	1.82 (0)
Segment	Poisson	0.153 (0.195)	0.917 (0.2)	0.488 (0.229)
Segment	Bayesian Poisson	0.27 (0.267)	1.14 (0.884)	1.03 (0.506)
Edge	Gaussian Process	0.98 (0.224)	1.87 (1.1627)	1.6 (0.994)
Edge	Poisson	1.43 (1.260)	1.26 (0.221)	0.477 (0.799)
Edge	Bayesian Poisson	0.25 (0.59)	1.040 (0.713)	1.03 (0.761)
Texture	Gaussian Process	0.91 (0.274)	1.60 (1.174)	1.51 (1.024)
Texture	Poisson	0.157 (0.457)	0.910 (0.439)	0.965 (0.559)
Texture	Bayesian Poisson	0.375 (0.564)	1.010 (0.719)	0.485 (0.465)

seen in the chosen picture frames' foreground segments. Each background section has an average of four small and medium-sized automobiles and two huge trucks. We can see that utilizing all or most of the results of the attribute in higher results than merely employing a single kind of feature. We can count massive cars with confidence thanks to our algorithm's accuracy and robustness. Utilizing listing the Polynomial regression, the average error for each foreground sector is 0.146, which indicates the method might screw up 15 large-size cars for every 100 segmentations that include roughly 200 large-size vehicles. Compared to larger automobiles, our system performs less well on smaller and mid-sized ones. One foreground segment has an average absolute error of 0.732 utilizing listing all parameters and the Bayesian Poisson. Consequently, the most accurate categorization is one that takes into account every characteristic [34–40].

There are 89 percent for big automobiles, 63.4 percent for medium-sized automobiles, and 79.9 percent for small-sized vehicles, equating to mean square error of 0.146, 0.737, and 0.401. As can be seen in Fig. 6, the findings of the enumeration of mid-sized cars mirror those of the larger vehicles. First-level extrapolation mistake would then spread to second and third-level regressions, resulting in inaccurate results is shown in the Table 1 clearly.

As a result, if the tumbled analysis methodology is not used to small and medium cars, the enumeration and classifying accuracy is much more hampered. There is a possibility that the average square errors for medium- and small-sized cars, respectively, might be raised from 0.752 (0.298) to 0.893 (0.429) if Binomial modeling and all parameters are used, and from 0.401 (0.281) to 0.820 (0.231) if all features are used.

The Stochastic process's levels are lower than that of other two regression techniques. The Bayesian Poisson regression introduced in [23] outperforms the traditional Poisson regression. In general, the number of vehicles is substantially lower than the number of

pedestrians (e.g., between 11 and 50). When comparing the squared exponential kernel function with the linear kernel, there are not enough local nonlinearities. Images 10 and 11 demonstrate the results of conventional Poisson regression and ground truth for little-size automobiles on average traffic footage, respectively. The duration of the video is in the vicinity to. It is seen that how the expected values are quite same to one other. It suggests that we may use the estimate to get a rough understanding of the scope of traffic density. One or two cars may also be missing from the truth of the situation in each picture frame, although this is more prevalent than most people realise. To further decrease mistakes, we feel that picture resolution and frame rate should be raised [25–29].

#### 4. Discussions

In many parallelization methods, it is useful to determine the border of a single vehicle or the border shared by numerous vehicles. The estimate of the border, on the other hand, may be seen as a more challenging challenge than for the counting of vehicles. Since no vehicle boundary estimate is necessary, the counts issue may be immediately handled using regression analysis. Foreground segmentation feature vector is the most important aspect in our optimization method. Spline-based normalisation is essential to minimise the impacts of perspective projection. In the absence of this stage, the small-sized cars near the camera might share certain attributes in the company of the big-sized vehicles which are distant from the camera [33].

With the help of multiple regression also has the benefit of speeding up the prediction step of regression. Our regression models were all able to provide real-time forecasts. In fact, it is Other training data approaches, such as a human brain, may also be used

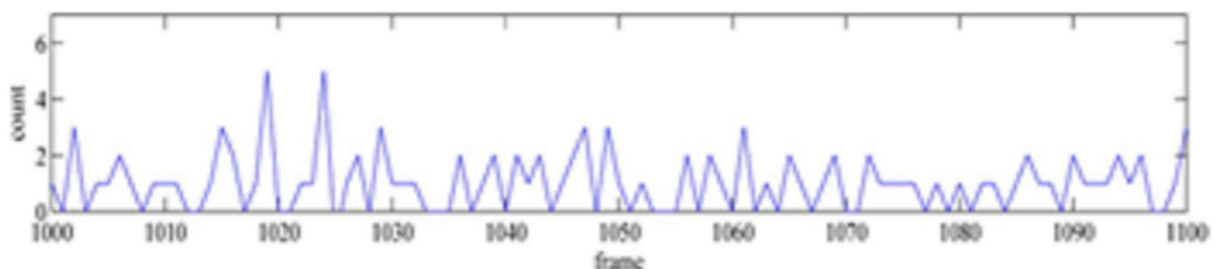


Fig. 6. In the above figure, we estimated the 1000th and 1100th image frame.

to grasp the relationship linking both the feature space and vehicles count. The Neural networks with high enough numbers of hidden layer may achieve comparable results to a Point function. To count and categorise automobiles on the roadway, our software was built. Extending our approach to additional uses, such as the identification of complicated occurrences in urban traffic, is difficult without locating single automobiles. An algorithmic drawback may be this [30,31,32].

At various points throughout the day, our system is being taught and tested. We can't yet deal with the "transition" weather situation described in [29], for example, because of our individual limitations. As before, the algorithm has this drawback as well. As an illustration, we're now doing trials where there are little shadow patches. Large shadow regions, on the other hand, might have a major impact on characteristics. Adding shadow elimination to our architecture may be a good way to increase the application's sturdiness. In addition, our method could not be used at night. One of the reasons is that the characteristics of a car are not nearly as distinctive at night as they are during the day. We might train numerous prediction model using various time periods to partly fix the issue [41–43].

## 5. Conclusion

In just this research, we offer a method for monitoring and classifying automobiles on the road. In this technique, in contrast to many others, with our approach, there is no need to divide automobiles into distinct groups. Additionally, our method doesn't at all maintain strong characteristics. We use a cumulated predictive model to effectively count and categorize automobiles based on a collection of limited variables. Our method is tested on long, higher videos. We demonstrate that our method can handle traffic with significant complex backgrounds and extremely low automobile counts by using real-world examples. Vision-based technologies that are out of place and can be installed in a variety of locations near roadways may benefit from our approach. Pedestrian and carbon may be estimated using our technique. There are numerous areas that might be upgraded in the future. The first stage is to use more advanced algorithms to estimate the backdrop and remove shadows.

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The authors declare that they have no known competing financial interests or personal relationships that could have appeared to influence the work reported in this paper.

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