



# Analysing Headway Spacing and Calculating Passenger Car Equivalent Values Using Computer Vision and International Dataset

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## ABSTRACT

Accurate traffic flow data are crucial for effective transportation planning and management. Different vehicle types impact traffic flow variably, requiring distinct passenger car equivalency (PCE) factors for calculating intersection and road capacity. Headway and spacing data are essential to assess traffic density and service level. Conventional data collection methods are time-consuming and often inaccurate. Unlike existing studies, this study employed computer vision to measure mixed traffic stream volume in terms of passenger car equivalent and collect headway-spacing data with high accuracy. The vehicle detection and counting procedures provide the mandatory infrastructure for measuring mixed traffic stream volume and collecting headway and spacing data. Novel approaches were introduced to gather comprehensive traffic data, including passenger car equivalent values, headway, spacing, flow rate, vehicle speed and traffic volume, using a single system. A custom and comprehensive international dataset was collected to analyse these approaches. Our trained model achieved a mean average precision (mAP) of 97.4%, with accuracies of 95% for headway, 93% for spacing and 99% for PCE values. The dataset can be downloaded at <https://github.com/burak-celik/atavehicledataset>.

## KEYWORDS

intelligent transportation systems; traffic flow data; computer vision; headway-spacing data; passenger car equivalency.

## 1. INTRODUCTION

In recent years, intelligent transportation systems (ITS) have emerged as a key component for the development of smart cities, playing a critical role in the management, planning and security of public transportation [1-4]. Many developed countries utilise ITS to manage traffic conditions, integrate public transit systems [5, 6] and address traffic congestion and accidents effectively. These systems enable the determination of traffic flow characteristics and the collection of required information regarding traffic flow. This information encompasses the number, class, speed and length of vehicles passing at specific points. Besides these, the automotive industry has also seen a paradigm shift from traditional mechanical systems to intelligent systems, where artificial intelligence serves as the key element of advanced technologies [7]. Innovations that influence traffic flow, including semi-autonomous vehicles, autonomous vehicles, and advanced driver assistance systems such as adaptive cruise control, have emerged in this field. The implementation of these systems plays a crucial role in mitigating human factors that contribute to traffic accidents and enhancing passenger comfort [8, 9, 10].

For transportation planning, design and operational objectives, passenger car equivalency (PCE) factors have been employed for many years to convert mixed vehicle traffic into equivalent pure passenger car traffic

streams [11, 12]. PCE factors account for the distinctive impacts of various vehicle types on traffic flow [13]. Essentially, this value serves as a coefficient indicating the number of passenger cars that would exert an equivalent influence on traffic flow as a heavy vehicle. Due to their dimensions and limited acceleration and deceleration capabilities, heavy vehicles (such as trucks, buses, recreational vehicles and, in some countries, vans) negatively affect traffic flow [14]. Consequently, detecting the presence of heavy vehicles within the traffic is essential for accurate calculations of intersection and road capacity in tandem with PCE factors.

Headway and spacing data are essential for various applications and analyses in traffic engineering, including capacity calculation, weaving areas, left turn at intersections, merging into the mainstream and merging or diverging into/from intersection arms and signalisation [15]. “The time, in seconds, between two successive vehicles as they pass a  $P_2$  point on the roadway, measured from the same common feature of both vehicles” is the definition of headway. Similarly, spacing is defined as “the distance (between  $P_1$ - $P_2$  points), in metres, between two succeeding vehicles in a traffic lane, measured from the same common feature of the vehicles” [16, 17, 18]. A visual expression of these data, acquired through the proposed method, is presented in Figure 1.

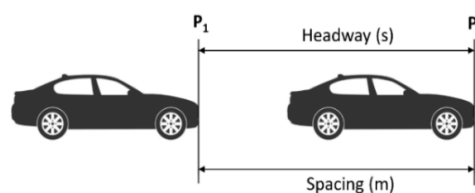


Figure 1 – Basic representation of headway and spacing

This study encompassed the determination of the number of vehicles by classes, employing a comprehensive dataset collected from 7 countries. The rationale behind this situation is that vehicle types differ across countries, and the goal is to enhance the model’s accuracy by increasing data diversity. The vehicle detection and counting procedure creates a mandatory infrastructure for determining the mixed traffic flow in terms of equivalent passenger cars and collecting headway and spacing data. Diverging from previous research, passenger car equivalent values were derived using the PCE factors to characterise mixed traffic flows in terms of passenger cars. Additionally, headway-spacing data, flow rate and traffic volume ( $q$ ) were obtained. The study collectively estimated vehicle count by class, passenger car equivalent values, flow rate, vehicle speed, headway-spacing data and traffic volume. The YOLOv5 algorithm’s extra-large (XLarge) model was used for vehicle class determination. Training the YOLOv5 algorithm with international data was conducted using Google Colaboratory [19], a platform Google Research offers. This platform allows Python [20] code execution on GPUs, provided free of charge for machine learning and data analysis purposes.

Several key motivations underpin the initiation of this study:

- 1) **Creation of a comprehensive dataset and robust model for various conditions:** A remarkable contribution is the development of an expansive international dataset comprising 16,518 images with 140,293 annotated instances. This dataset, originating from 7 different countries and encompassing both daytime and nighttime images, addresses the scarcity of publicly available vehicle detection and counting datasets. The dataset used in this study differs from existing datasets in that it contains data from 7 different countries and many different vehicle types. Notably, this dataset surpasses prior literature’s diversity, comprehensiveness and resolution level. We were able to collect data with greater accuracy than previous studies due to the complete dataset we used.  
Through our trained model, we achieve enhanced vehicle detection accuracy by mitigating challenges posed by variables such as daytime, nighttime and varying viewing angles. A trained model eliminates the difference between day and night and demonstrates efficacy across all conditions for vehicle detection and counting.
- 2) **A novel method for headway and spacing data:** We introduce a novel method for acquiring headway and spacing data with high accuracy relevant to diverse traffic engineering applications such as capacity calculation, weaving areas, left turn at intersections, merging into the mainstream and merging or diverging into/from intersection arms and signalisation.
- 3) **Utilisation of PCE factors and collection of flow rate data:** Computer vision was used to quantify mixed traffic flow in terms of equivalent passenger cars with PCE factors. Passenger car equivalent values are fundamental for the precise calculation of intersection and road capacity. Differing from existing research, computer vision was utilised to determine flow rate.

- 4) **Comprehensive system testing:** We rigorously assess our system's performance by conducting tests involving more than 10,000 vehicles under various conditions. System testing in existing studies is more limited and insufficient to measure the true accuracy of the model.

## 2. RELATED WORKS

The number of studies in the field of vehicle classification and counting has grown over the past few years, and the results of these studies have consistently improved thanks to the employment of various algorithms, datasets, models and scenarios. Engineering challenges are increasingly being solved with optimisation algorithms as computer computing power increases [21]. The primary issue that must be addressed in this field is ensuring that computer vision-based systems are as accurate as, or more accurate than, manually performed traffic counts [22]. New studies emerge in vehicle detection, classification and counting every day due to advances in deep learning and computer vision. Thus, the accuracy of computer vision-based automatic traffic counting systems can compete with the precision of manually performed traffic counts. This section explores the literature for vision-based vehicle detection, counting and traffic monitoring areas, highlighting data necessary for performance comparison.

In a study by Rajput et al. [23], the YOLOv3 algorithm was used to calculate charges according to vehicle class on toll roads. In the custom dataset, vehicles that do and do not have to pay tolls were divided into eight classes, as the Government of India recommended. There were 11,520 images in total in the dataset, and 80% were used for training and 20% for validation. With the YOLOv3 algorithm trained with the created dataset, 94.1% classification accuracy was obtained in the tests performed at highway tolls.

In the study by Song et al. [24], a vehicle detection and counting system based on computer vision was developed. In the custom dataset, vehicles were divided into three categories. The dataset contained a total of 11,129 images and 57,290 annotated instances. After road surface segmentation was performed on the images for the development of vehicle detection, the images were placed on the YOLOv3 network. Vehicle trajectories and the number of vehicles passing were calculated using the ORB algorithm. Following the training process, an 87.9 mAP score was obtained. In tests conducted on 1,509 vehicles, a counting accuracy rate of 92.6% was observed.

Bui et al. [25] researched various ways to enhance traffic analysis using video-based vehicle counting. YOLOv3 and DeepSORT algorithms are used for vehicle detection, tracking and counting. Instead of virtual lines, distinguished regions for tracking and counting vehicles improve vehicle counting performance. The proposed method obtained an average of 88.5% vehicle count accuracy for different conditions.

In research carried out by Park et al. [26], an integrated system that utilised YOLOv4 and identified vehicles and licence plates was developed. A custom dataset was created using traffic images collected from South Korea at 4K resolution to train the YOLOv4 algorithm. According to their dimensions and passenger capacity, vehicles were divided into six classes in the dataset. There were a total of 12,044 annotated instances in the dataset. When the results of training the YOLOv4 algorithm with the collected dataset are examined, the mAP scores obtained in the tests that were carried out separately for 1-, 2-, 3- and 4-lane roads were 98.0, 94.0, 97.1 and 84.6, respectively.

An improved YOLOv4 detection method was suggested in research published by Xu et al. [27] to detect small and occluded objects more accurately. Following training the improved YOLOv4 network using the KITTI Dataset (Geiger et al. [28]), an 81.2 mAP score was recorded for the three primary object classes. After introducing the YOLOv4 network with the BDD100K Dataset (Yu et al. [29]) the mAP score was 61.6 for three primary object classes. Compared to the mAP scores achieved with the standard YOLOv4 network, the scores for the improved YOLOv4 network were 2.7 points higher.

An improved YOLOv5 network was proposed in research carried out by Zhang et al. [30] to reduce the rate of incorrect detections caused by occlusion. The dataset was created with traffic images collected from the Shandong region of China and images retrieved from BIT Vehicle\_Dataset (Dong et al. [31]) to train the network. The database contains 2,844 images of 7 vehicle classes and approximately 3,200 annotated instances. Following the training process, the standard YOLOv5 network yielded an 89.8 mAP score, while the improved YOLOv5 network delivered a 90.5 mAP score for all vehicle classes.

Within the context of the research reported by Dinh et al. [2], a custom dataset was collected using traffic images gathered from the Vietnam region. The dataset comprised a total of 4,700 annotated images. Looking

at the training results, it was determined that SSD MobileDet was the most successful model in terms of FPS and mAP scores on the Coral Dev Board (320 x 320). An average FPS of 26.8 and 92.1 mAP scores were obtained for this model. In vehicle counting tests, four distinct vehicle classes achieved an average accuracy of 83.5% toward the camera direction and an average accuracy of 82.7% away from the camera direction.

Harikrishnan et al. [32] proposed a method, a modified single-shot multi-box convolutional neural network named Inception-SSD, for vehicle detection and vehicle counting. Affinity propagation clustering (APC) is used instead of non-maximum suppression (NMS) to enhance the identification of nearby occluded cars. On the PASCAL VOC 2007 test dataset, the proposed ISSD achieved 79.3 mean average precision (mAP). The vehicles are counted class-wise with a weighted F1 of 98.5% and 93.3% vehicle counting accuracy obtained.

Khalifa et al. [33] created two distinct datasets consisting of 4,870 images for daytime and 5,338 images for nighttime, with traffic images collected from the Malaysian region in their study. In the research, the YOLOv5-small architecture was combined with the k-means algorithm to achieve anchor box optimisation in various illumination conditions. Existing mAP scores were improved by 5-6% approximately due to the k-means algorithm applied. After training the model, a 97.8 mAP score was obtained for the daytime dataset, and a 95.1 mAP score was obtained for the nighttime dataset. The average precision value was calculated as 97.8 for the daytime dataset, while the same was 95.2 for the nighttime dataset.

In the study by Neupane et al. [34], the YOLOv5-large network was trained using two datasets comprising images captured by Thailand's traffic surveillance cameras. There were seven vehicle classes and a total of 34,983 samples in the datasets. The transfer learning-based fine-tuning method was applied to solve the poor performance problem that arises when testing with images not included in the dataset for vehicle detection systems using deep learning. As a result of training the model, the mAP@50 score was determined to be 69.5%, and the precision and recall values were determined to be 96% and 95%, respectively. In vehicle counting tests, regardless of vehicle class, an average accuracy rate of 94% was recorded at various illumination levels.

In the research conducted by Djula et al. [35], YOLOv7 was employed in the vehicle detection and counting system. A custom dataset has been prepared for the vehicle types to vary widely in Indonesia and the trained model to be suitable for the place where the study is carried out. A dataset consisting of 1,105 images was created to train the model. An average of 94.5 mAP score was obtained for nine vehicle classes.

In the study of Kalva et al. [36], the YOLOv8 and DeepSORT algorithm was used to build a real-time vehicle identification and counting system. An open-source computer vision dataset was created to train the model. The dataset, which has 13 vehicle classes, consists of 627 images. As a result of model training, a 92.8 mAP score was obtained.

In the study by Chen et al. [37], a model was created using various sensors to collect data on traffic flow. CAV's hardware platform and software algorithm were used to create the model, and the Flow Project was used to optimise the model. CAV functions as a "super-extended floating car" in traffic flow, communicating with other intelligent cars and detecting any vehicle's driving status, distribution and density within its detection region. An established system can collect the mean headway of each lane and the mean spacing of each lane from the model.

Traffic data were effectively extracted from videos taken with legacy cameras by Liu et al. [38]. Vehicle classification, counting and speed measurement processes were made with images taken with these cameras. The vehicles were divided into classes according to their lengths in the study. The tests achieved 66% to 87% counting accuracy for SSD and 90% to 98% for YOLOv2 and Faster R-CNN. Headway and spacing data can be obtained from the time-space diagram produced by the proposed method.

Traffic Flow Load monitoring system, which is an essential data for bridge design, was installed by Ge et al. [39]. The study develops a monitoring system that combines a weigh-in-motion system with machine vision capabilities. The system is capable of obtaining vehicle length, axle spacing, vehicle speed and headway data. Target detection and tracking were performed with YOLOv3 and a matching algorithm. The proposed method offers improved time measurement resolution compared to methods that rely on the WIM system.

Du et al. [40] acquire time headway and passenger car unit (PCU) at junctions using the fusion algorithm of YOLOv3 and DSST. This fusion approach can more precisely extract the intersection's traffic flow metrics since it can fully reflect the traits of the two. The proposed method has been evaluated for three vehicle classes: buses, trucks and cars. Average 94.97% accuracy for PCU, average 78.87% accuracy for time headway was achieved.

### 3. METHODS

This section provides information about the collected dataset and the implemented traffic data collection system. The traffic data collection system established in this study, unlike the systems shown in similar studies in the literature, is comprehensive in terms of data diversity, versatility and collection of all data with a single system. The general architecture of the system can be seen in *Figure 3*. When it comes to summarising the workflow of the traffic data collection system, the test footage (image or video) was provided to the system in the first stage as the input. Using the YOLOv5x (Jocher et al. [41]) algorithm, which was subjected to transfer learning using the combined dataset, the classes of vehicles are detected, and their bounding boxes are drawn. The DeepSORT algorithm assigns a unique ID to each detected vehicle. The vehicle counting process is initiated when a vehicle with a unique ID enters the ROI (region of interest) with user-determined coordinates. ROI is shown in *Figure 2* and *Figure 6* as a white line.

#### 3.1 Headway-spacing data and traffic volume

Simultaneously with the vehicle counting process, the system calculates headway and spacing data. For the headway calculation, the user drew green and red lines for each lane, as seen in *Figure 6*. If explained for the first lane, the time counter starts when the bounding box of the first vehicle moving on the lane touches the green line. To determine the correct time intervals in the calculation of the start time of the headway measurement, the real-time fps value and the frame ID ( $F_{id}$ ) are used as in *Equation 1*. The counter stops when the following vehicle's bounding box touches the green line. Thus, the interval in time between two consecutive vehicles, that is, the headway, is calculated using *Equation 2*.

The average headway value for each lane (Avg TimeHW) is printed on the right in *Figure 6* by averaging the headways between all vehicles in the same lane. In this context,  $H_{st}$  represents the headway start time of each consecutive vehicle, calculated by

$$H_{st} = F_{id} \times (1 / \text{fps}) \quad (1)$$

where  $F_{id}$  is the frame id and then headway constant ( $H$ ) is calculated by

$$H = |V_c(H_{st}) - V_p(H_{st})| \quad (2)$$

$V_c$  is the current vehicle,  $V_p$  is the previous vehicle and  $H$  is headway data. Vehicle speeds are used to calculate spacing. To explain the first lane, the distance between the white and green lines in *Figure 2* and *Figure 6* must be known to measure the speed. The average speed of the vehicles was determined by measuring the time the vehicles travelled the distance between these two lines in our system. *Figure 2* can be examined for a better understanding of the approach.  $V_1$  and  $V_2$  are the average speeds of the vehicles.

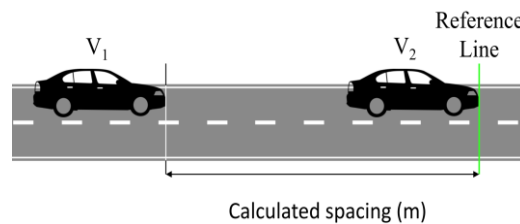


Figure 2 – Basic representation of the spacing calculation

In our method, the distance measurements given in *Figure 6* are calculated as in *Equation 3* by subtracting the y coordinate values ( $D_y$ ) on the image axis of the points where each vehicle touches the white ROI line and own lane line. This length and the required lengths for different videos have been measured using satellite photos with GPS. To obtain the distance measurement from our method, the pixel distance must be chosen correctly to get the actual distance. Therefore, the distance measurement from the GPS was compared with the distance measurement from our method.  $D_y$  is the y coordinate distances,  $r_w$  is the white ROI line y-coordinate and  $l_n$  is the nth lane-line y-coordinate.

$$D_{y_i} = |r_w - l_{n_i}| \quad (3)$$

After obtaining the  $y$  distance in our method, the  $D_y$  expression is divided by the pixel distance as in *Equation 4* to obtain the real-world distance measurement. As in the headway calculation, the time in *Equation 1* is added to *Equation 5* according to the real fps.

$$D_{w_{y_i}} = D_{y_i} / P_{p_m} \quad (4)$$

$$\text{Displacement} = \text{Velocity} \cdot \text{Time} \quad (5)$$

where,  $D_{w_{y_i}}$  on the world axis of the points where each vehicle touches the white ROI line and own lane-line with  $y$ -coordinates.  $P_{p_m}$  represents metre per pixel,  $x$  is the distance (m),  $V$  is average speed (m/s) and  $t$  is the time (s). Also, the calculated spacing algorithm is shown in *Algorithm 1*.  $U_{id}$  is a unique vehicle ID,  $R_{st}$  is ROI line start times and  $S_t$  is headway start times array data.

When calculating the spacing, the green line was taken as a fixed reference line. Spacing is calculated with a fixed reference line approach as it changes constantly in moving traffic. The distance between the front bumpers of the first and second vehicles is calculated for the position of the second vehicle when it touches the green reference line in *Figure 2*. After calculating the average headway for a two-lane road, the traffic volume was calculated using *Equation 6* [42].

*Algorithm 1 – Space headway calculation*

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SPACE HEADWAY ( $H_s$ )
1  if (min(box) in  $r_w$  and  $U_{id}$  not in data), then
2       $H_{st} = F_{id} * (1 / \text{fps})$ 
3       $R_{st}[U_{id}] = H_{st}$  and data.append( $U_{id}$ )
4  end
5  for i in range(0, len( $l_n$ ), 2) then
6      if (min(box) in  $l_n$ ) then
7           $D_y[i] = |r_w - l_n[i]|$ 
8           $D_y[i] = D_y[i] / P_{p_m}$ 
9           $t = |S_t[U_{id}] - R_{st}[U_{id}]|$ 
10          $V = D_y[i] / t$ 
11     end
12 end
13 CalculateHeadwaySpaces():
14      $H = |V_c(H_{st}) - V_p(H_{st})|$ 
15      $H_s = V_p[V] * H$ 

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$$\text{Traffic Volume(veh / hr)} = \frac{3600 \text{ s / h}}{\text{headway (s / veh)}} \quad (6)$$

### 3.2 Collection of flow rate and passenger car equivalent values

In addition, the proposed system can compute the flow rate, which is the hourly calculation of the number of vehicles that pass through a particular road section in less than an hour [42], as well as the passenger car equivalent values, which are acquired by multiplying the number of vehicles that were counted for each vehicle class by the PCE factors pertaining to that vehicle class.

A GitHub repository content [43] was referenced as a traffic data collection system. This content was recoded and used in this study. In the collected dataset in Section 3.3, vehicles were classified as passenger cars, trucks, vans and buses, and then vehicle counts were performed across all four of these classes. The following are the reasons for dividing the vehicles into these four primary classes for the study:

- 1) A significant portion of the traffic flow comprises vehicles from these four classifications,
- 2) If the vehicles are classified into more than four classes, it may become difficult to identify visually similar vehicles, and as a result, the model may provide false detections,

- 3) The dimensions, start-up times, acceleration and deceleration capabilities, braking distances, headways and spacings and their ability to maintain high speeds are different in the four classes mentioned [44, 45].

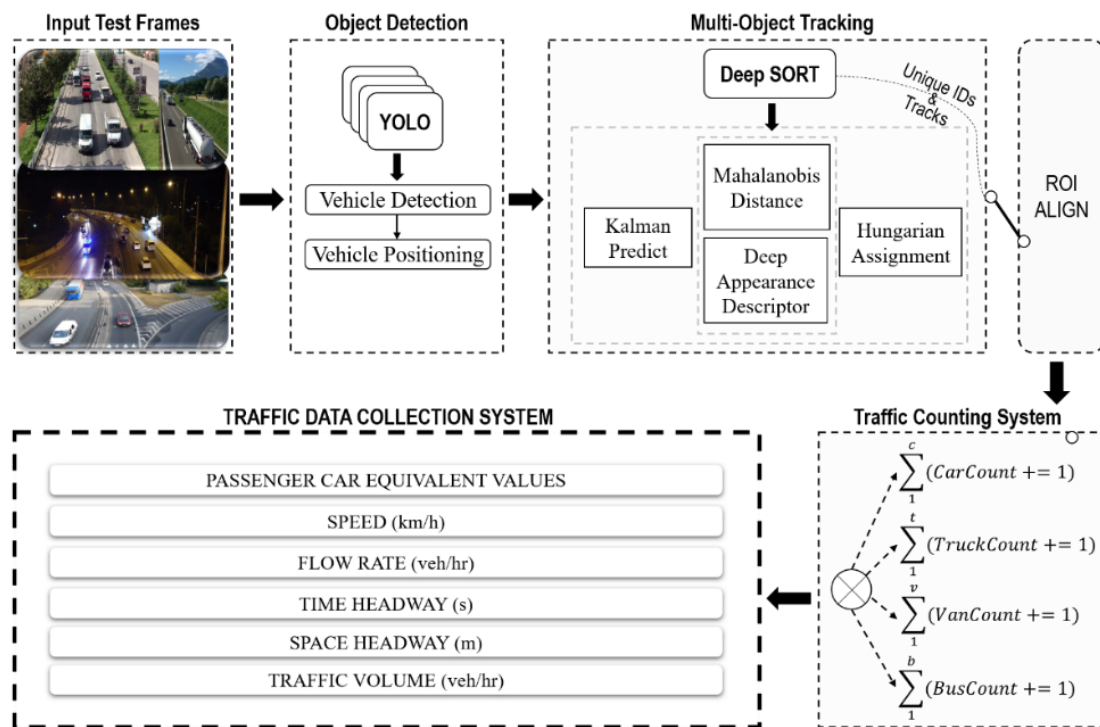


Figure 3 – Workflow diagram of traffic data collection system

Hence, vehicles were divided into four classes: passenger cars, trucks, vans and buses. PCE factors pertaining to each class can result in different values in different sources based on the features of the vehicles (dimensions, start-up times, acceleration and deceleration capabilities, braking distances, headways and spacings and their ability to maintain high speeds). These values may vary based on the standards established by different countries regarding this matter. Table 1 displays the PCE factors [46] for Türkiye, that are utilised in the capacity analysis.

Table 1 – PCE factors in Turkish Standards TS 6407

| Vehicle type             | Urban road | Roundabout | Signalised intersection |
|--------------------------|------------|------------|-------------------------|
| Passenger car            | 1.00       | 1.00       | 1.00                    |
| Minibus, taxi            | 1.15       | 1.30       | 1.27                    |
| Commercial truck         | 2.00       | 2.80       | 1.75                    |
| Urban and interurban bus | 3.00       | 2.80       | 2.25                    |

PCE factors stated in the Highway Capacity Manual 2010 [42] are shown in Table 2. In HCM 2010, trucks and buses were assessed together. The PCE factors assigned based on the vehicle class also differ based on the terrain's topography.

Table 2 – Highway Capacity Manual 2010 PCE factors

| Vehicle               | PCE factors by type of terrain |         |             |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------|---------|-------------|
|                       | Level                          | Rolling | Mountainous |
| Trucks and buses      | 1.5                            | 2.5     | 4.5         |
| Recreational vehicles | 1.2                            | 2.0     | 4.0         |

In this study, vehicle counting was performed, the number of vehicles passing through the monitored section was calculated based on the vehicle classes, and these numbers are presented in the results section both in terms of their vehicle class and passenger car equivalent values (for HCM and TS6407) to use them for capacity analysis.

System testing was conducted on a large variety of different scenarios and a vast number of vehicles. System tests with a limited number of vehicles may not be sufficient to determine the system's real success rate. Increasing the number of tests conducted helped to showcase the system's real success rate more accurately.

Figure 6 shows the system image in operation. The counting process is carried out when the centre of the bounding box passes the ROI specified by the user. The position and width of the ROI may be adjusted depending on the camera's angle and the distance between the camera and the vehicles. The optimum camera angle was set as 35-45° for the best vehicle counting accuracy.

### 3.3 Vehicle dataset

In the computer vision field, to improve the generalisation of the model, methods such as collecting more data, data augmentation and label smoothing are used [47, 48]. A large and diverse dataset was collected in this study to develop a generalised model. For the model to learn the vehicle classes more accurately, images of traffic from several countries were included in the dataset (since the variety of vehicle types in different countries is abundant). To improve the generalisation of the model, the dataset included:

- Traffic images with different resolutions (low, medium and high resolution)
- Traffic images collected from 7 different countries
- Traffic images collected in day and night time
- Vehicle images captured from the front, back and sides
- All annotation procedures were performed manually, and only double-checked images were used to prevent inaccurate annotation.

The dataset for this research contains 16,518 images and a total of 140,293 annotated instances. The number of annotated instances was high to increase vehicle detection accuracy. The distribution of annotated instances per vehicle type is presented in Table 3. The dataset contains an average of 8.5 annotated instances per image. Figure 4 depicts the graph of the combined dataset compared to other datasets regarding the number of annotations per image.

Table 3 – Number of annotated instances for each class

| Vehicle type | Number of annotated instances |
|--------------|-------------------------------|
| Car          | 80,192                        |
| Bus          | 7,962                         |
| Truck        | 35,224                        |
| Van          | 16,915                        |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>140,293</b>                |

The dataset contains 11,129 images (57,290 annotated instances) from the study conducted by Song et al. [19] using images captured in the Hangzhou, China region. The annotations on the images from the research above were reviewed and re-created from scratch, and the van class was added. The remaining 5,389 images (83,003 annotated instances) were acquired from public traffic images from the United States, France, England, Poland, Thailand and Türkiye. The dataset was created with images collected from 7 different countries in total. Of the dataset, 75% of the images in the collected dataset were used for training, 15% for validation and 10% for testing. The dataset is universal since it covers various vehicle images from countries in different parts of the world. Therefore, it can be employed in other countries while offering high accuracy.

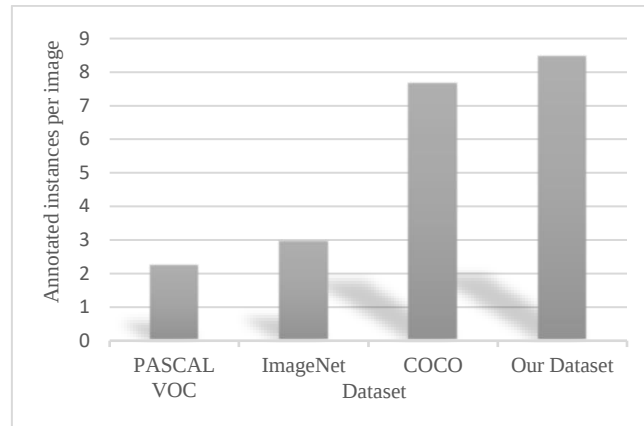


Figure 4 – Comparison of datasets in terms of annotated instances per image

### 3.4 Transfer learning

YOLOv5 provides pre-trained models on the COCO dataset (common objects in context), which consists of 80 classes. Instead of training the model from scratch, the YOLOv5x, among the default models of the YOLOv5 algorithm, was trained with the transfer learning technique and utilised in this study. Thus, both time and processing power were conserved, and a high level of training success was attained. The xLarge model of the YOLOv5 algorithm was applied because, as shown in Figure 5 [41] it has a higher average precision (AP) value than the nano, small, medium and large models of the algorithm above. The training was carried out on the Google Colaboratory platform. While the YOLOv5x algorithm was trained for 500 epochs, the network size was set to 832x832, and the batch size was selected as 10. For all other training parameters, default values were utilised. The training process was completed in approximately 200 hours on the Colab platform. During the tests performed within the scope of the study, the best weights obtained after training were used. In Section 4, the results of the training process are explained in thorough detail.

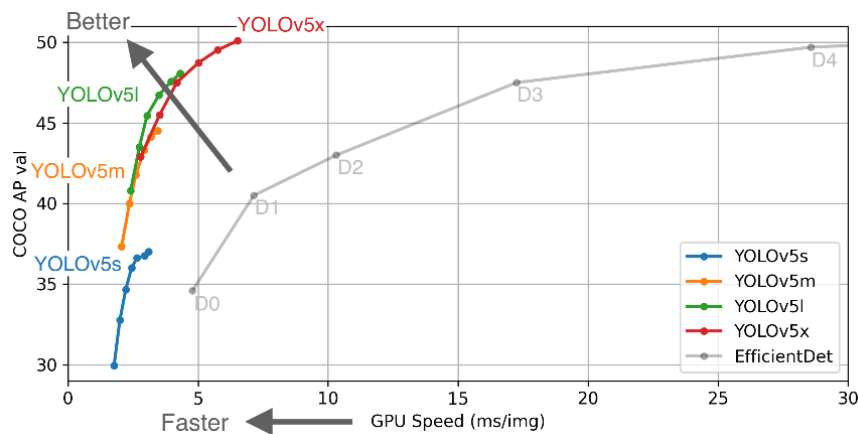


Figure 5 – Graph of AP – GPU speed values of models of YOLOv5 algorithm and EfficientDet algorithm

### 3.5 DeepSORT algorithm

The DeepSORT algorithm is a special object-tracking algorithm based on deep learning [49]. DeepSORT, widely used in the literature, can track the target object for a long time with the help of the Kalman filter it contains, even though an object comes in front of the tracked object. Thus, it is prevented from changing the unique IDs assigned to objects. A deep learning algorithm will be used in DeepSORT to decrease a large number of identity shifts and increase the effectiveness of tracking through SORT algorithm occlusions [50].

The Kalman filter is used iteratively for better attribution and can predict future locations based on the current location. After the unique ID assignment, it assigns the detections in a new frame to the existing traces using the Hungarian algorithm for the assignment cost function to reach a minimum [51]. Also, to include the uncertainties from the Kalman filter, the squared Mahalanobis distance is used, which gives a better result than Euclidean. To avoid the handicaps of the Kalman filter, which may fail in real-world problems (occlusion, dynamic movement), another distance metric based on the “deep appearance” of the object is used.

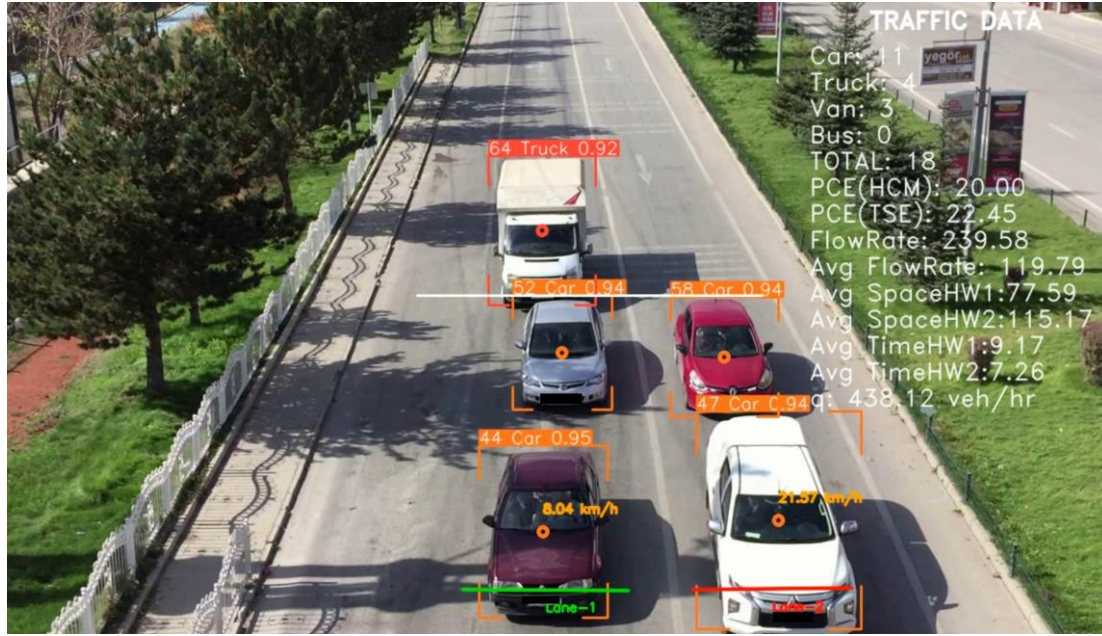


Figure 6 – Image of traffic data collection system in action

A classifier was created in this metric, and the last classification layer was removed. In this way, a single attribute vector (deep appearance descriptor) was generated, and the fast operation of the algorithm compared to classical architecture was ensured. The CUDA and cuDNN versions used in the tests of the model were 11.1 and 11.2, respectively.

#### 4. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

The training results for the study's model and the vehicle counting results utilising the trained model are provided in this section. Precision (P), recall (R), average precision (AP), mean average precision (mAP), F1-score and counting accuracy metrics, which are often employed in research using object detection algorithms, were utilised to compare the findings obtained in the study. P, R, AP, mAP, F1-score and counting accuracy were calculated as shown in Equations 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12:

$$\text{Precision} = \frac{TP}{TP+FP} \quad (7)$$

$$\text{Recall} = \frac{TP}{TP + FN} \quad (8)$$

where TP, FN and FP are the number of true positives, false negatives and false positives, respectively. Precision is the proportion of all positive samples over the confidence threshold of 50%, whereas recall is the percentage of all positive samples found at the same confidence level.

$$AP = \frac{1}{11} \sum_{r=0}^1 p_{\max}(r), r \in [0, 0.1, \dots, 1], \quad (9)$$

$$mAP = \frac{\sum AP}{n}, \quad (10)$$

The average precision on a group of 11 evenly spaced recall levels, known as AP, serves as a summary of the P-R curve. The mean of average precision of all classes is described by the mAP.

$$F1 = \frac{2}{\frac{1}{\text{precision}} + \frac{1}{\text{recall}}} \quad (11)$$

$$\text{Counting Accuracy} = \frac{\text{Number of correct detections}}{\text{Number of ground truth detections}} \quad (12)$$

F1 score calculates the harmonic mean of precision and recall, and counting accuracy is calculated by dividing the number of correct detections (the number of correct detections is found by subtracting the total number of errors from ground truth) by the ground truth [52].

Figure 7 depicts the loss, precision, recall and mAP graphs generated from the 500 epochs of training the YOLOv5x algorithm.

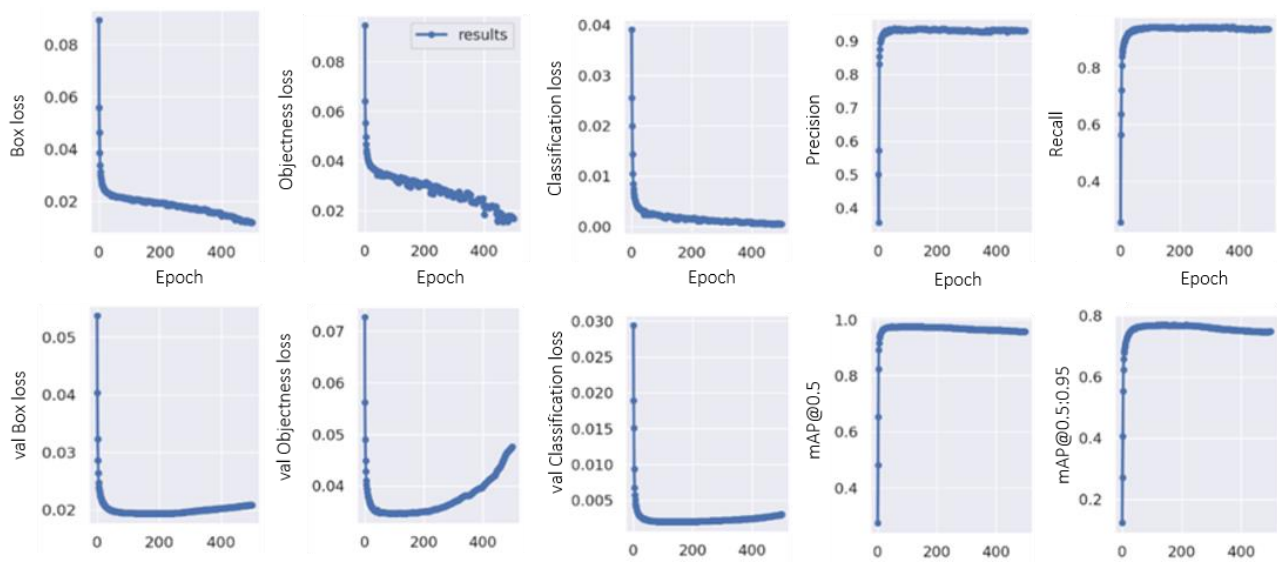


Figure 7 – Loss minimisation and P, R and mAP graphs of the model for the training and validation stage

To improve the generalisation of the model, the YOLOv5x algorithm was trained using data collected from seven different countries. The trained model obtained a score of 97.4 % mAP@0.5 for all classes in the dataset as shown in Table 4.

Table 4 – Training results for our model

| Class              | Precision   | Recall      | mAP@0.5     | mAP@0.95    |
|--------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Car                | 0.94        | 0.94        | 0.98        | 0.74        |
| Bus                | 0.95        | 0.95        | 0.97        | 0.77        |
| Truck              | 0.95        | 0.93        | 0.98        | 0.77        |
| Van                | 0.91        | 0.94        | 0.97        | 0.80        |
| <b>All classes</b> | <b>0.94</b> | <b>0.94</b> | <b>0.97</b> | <b>0.77</b> |

The results of the vehicle counts for daytime traffic images from Table A1 are summarised in Table 5. In daytime conditions, the average counting accuracy for all vehicle classes was recorded as 96%.

Table 5 – Vehicle counting results for daytime

| Vehicle type | Ground truth count | Method count | Counting accuracy |
|--------------|--------------------|--------------|-------------------|
| Car          | 4,421              | 4,328        | 0.98              |
| Bus          | 105                | 118          | 0.88              |
| Truck        | 516                | 508          | 0.98              |
| Van          | 816                | 821          | 0.99              |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>5,858</b>       | <b>5,775</b> | <b>0.96</b>       |

Table 6 provides an overview of Table A1 for nighttime vehicle counting data. In nighttime conditions, the average counting accuracy for all vehicle classes was recorded as 97%.

In contrast to other studies, a substantially more significant number of vehicles (10,064) were included for system testing in this study. Examining Tables 5 and 6 and Figures 8 and 10, it is evident that the trained model eliminates the difference between day and night. In other words, with a well-prepared dataset and a single model, it becomes feasible to count traffic during both daytime and nighttime (minimum illumination) conditions. The results of the day and night circumstances were analysed independently since they may affect counting accuracy.

Table 6 – Vehicle counting results for nighttime

| Vehicle type | Ground truth count | Method count | Counting accuracy |
|--------------|--------------------|--------------|-------------------|
| Car          | 3,417              | 3,411        | 0.99              |
| Bus          | 85                 | 86           | 0.99              |
| Truck        | 514                | 489          | 0.95              |
| Van          | 190                | 201          | 0.94              |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>4,206</b>       | <b>4,187</b> | <b>0.97</b>       |

Table A1 reveals that several vehicle classes in some videos have low counting accuracy rates. This is attributable to the fact that there is a limited number of vehicles belonging to the vehicle class specified in the video. As the number of vehicles counted using the traffic data collection system increases, the counting accuracy improves and converges its real value.

Table A1 shows the manual vehicle counting results derived from 29 traffic videos (21 different scenarios) and the vehicle count results performed with the proposed method. All videos used during the training and testing phases of the model are in 1080p resolution. Of the 29 videos utilised in the testing phase of the proposed method, 22 were recorded during daytime, while 7 were recorded at nighttime. However, an examination of Table 5 and Table 6 reveals that the vehicle count values for day and night are similar to each other. To transparently illustrate the system's vehicle counting performance, each test video's performance in the system is presented independently and in-depth. The ground truth count, method count, error, precision, recall, F1-score and counting accuracy values for each video can be seen in the mentioned table. The name of the video, duration of the video, side of vehicles seen by camera and time of the day are given in the first column, respectively. The total duration of the test videos was 406 minutes (6.8 hours). Table 7 provides a summary of all vehicle counts conducted for the study. The ground truth count was determined by manually reviewing the vehicle counting videos one by one and recording the counts. In contrast, the method count was obtained using the proposed method for vehicle detection and counting.

Table 7 – Summary of vehicle counting results for all 29 videos

| Vehicle type | Ground truth count | Method count | Counting accuracy |
|--------------|--------------------|--------------|-------------------|
| Car          | 7,838              | 7,739        | 0.99              |
| Bus          | 190                | 204          | 0.93              |
| Truck        | 1,030              | 997          | 0.97              |
| Van          | 1,006              | 1,022        | 0.98              |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>10,064</b>      | <b>9,962</b> | <b>0.97</b>       |

Regardless of vehicle class, the counting accuracy rate was 99% when the ground truth count (10,064 vehicles) and total method count (9,962 vehicles) were examined. If the counting accuracy is calculated based on the average of counting accuracies per each vehicle class separately, then it was 97%. In another performance test, likewise to the study by Kang et al. [53], the trained model is tested on a test portion of other mainstream datasets or an appropriate subset of the dataset. These datasets have been created by Guerrero-Gómez-Olmedo et al. [54], Song et al. [24] and Neupane et al. [34] respectively. Table 8 presents the results that were collected from performance tests.

Table 8 – Performance of our model on mainstream datasets

| Dataset        | Number of images | Number of vehicles | Counting accuracy |
|----------------|------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| Olmedo et al.  | 1878             | 18524              | 0.93              |
| Song et al.    | 2225             | 12490              | 0.99              |
| Neupane et al. | 467              | 2632               | 0.94              |

Headway evaluations (in terms of seconds) made manually and with the proposed method are given in Table 9. The 3rd column contains manual evaluation, and the 4th column contains the evaluation results made with the proposed method. Evaluations were conducted on 5 different videos and 1,548 vehicles, as this sample size was deemed sufficient for the study. As a result, headway time was obtained with a 95% accuracy.

In addition, in manual headway evaluations, the reaction time is also included due to the human factor. Therefore, the accuracy of the proposed method may be superior. The headway evaluation performance of the system is also shown in Figure 9.

Table 9 – Performance of the proposed method for headway measurement

| Video        | Vehicle count | Avg. headway (manual) | Avg. headway (method) | Accuracy    |
|--------------|---------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-------------|
| 30.mp4       | 302           | 3.18                  | 2.98                  | 0.94        |
| 31.mp4       | 187           | 4.10                  | 4.00                  | 0.98        |
| 32.mp4       | 126           | 3.01                  | 3.46                  | 0.88        |
| 33.mp4       | 532           | 3.17                  | 3.25                  | 0.98        |
| 34.mp4       | 401           | 4.35                  | 4.30                  | 0.98        |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>1548</b>   | <b>3.56</b>           | <b>3.60</b>           | <b>0.95</b> |

Table 10 compares the proposed method with other important studies in the field in recent years. As a result of the method used in the study and the large dataset, it is seen that the model is superior in terms of mAP scores, number of vehicles on which the model is tested and vehicle counting accuracy.

In the second column of Table 11, the passenger car equivalent values calculated according to HCM and Turkish Standard Institution (TSE) after manual vehicle counting for various videos are represented. These

values were generated by multiplying the number of manually counted vehicles for each vehicle class by the PCE factors for that class.

Table 10 – Proposed method performance evaluation with other existing works

| Method                     | Dataset                                      | Algorithm used                                        | Number of images | mAP@0.5     | Vehicle count/counting accuracy |
|----------------------------|----------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|------------------|-------------|---------------------------------|
| Song et al. (2019)         | Custom                                       | Yolov3 coupled with ORB algorithm                     | 11129            | 87.8        | 1509/93.2                       |
| Harikrishnan et al. (2021) | Custom                                       | Improved SSD coupled with APC                         | 8000             | 84.6        | 1002/93.3                       |
| Dinh et al. (2021)         | Vehicle detection dataset (custom)           | SSD MobileDet 320 x 320                               | 4700             | 92.1        | 415/83.3                        |
| Neupane et al. (2022)      | Thai-vehicle-classification-dataset (custom) | Yolov5l coupled with multi-vehicle tracking algorithm | 9333             | 69.5        | 4697/94.4                       |
| <b>Proposed method</b>     | <b>ATA vehicle dataset (custom)</b>          | <b>Yolov5x-DeepSORT</b>                               | <b>16518</b>     | <b>97.4</b> | <b>10064/97.0</b>               |

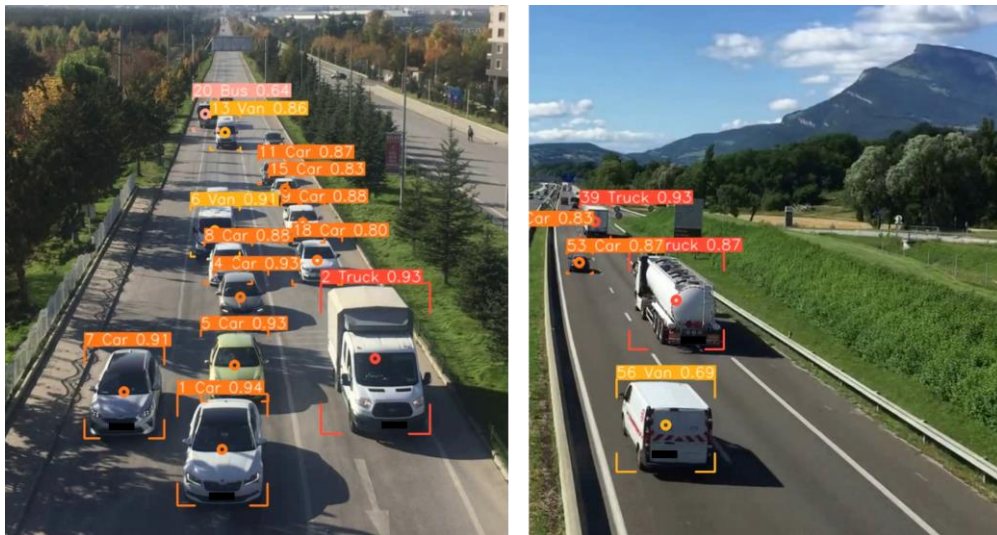


Figure 8 – Trained model object detection in the nighttime

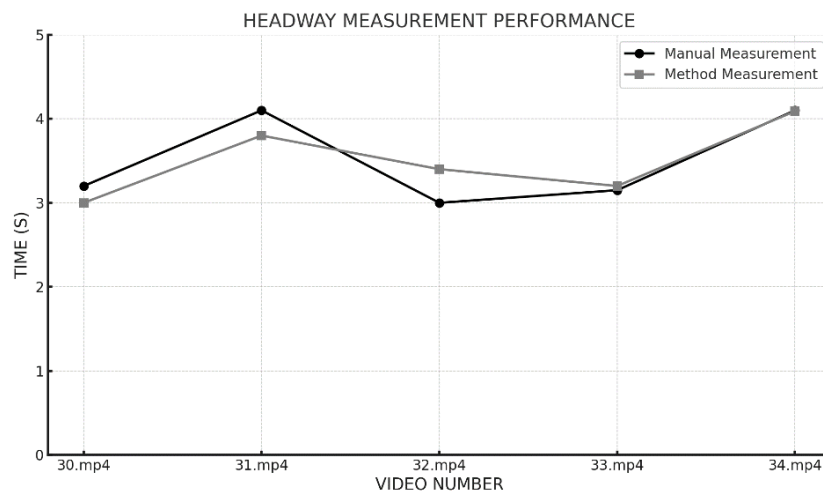


Figure 9 – Manual and proposed method headway measurement curves

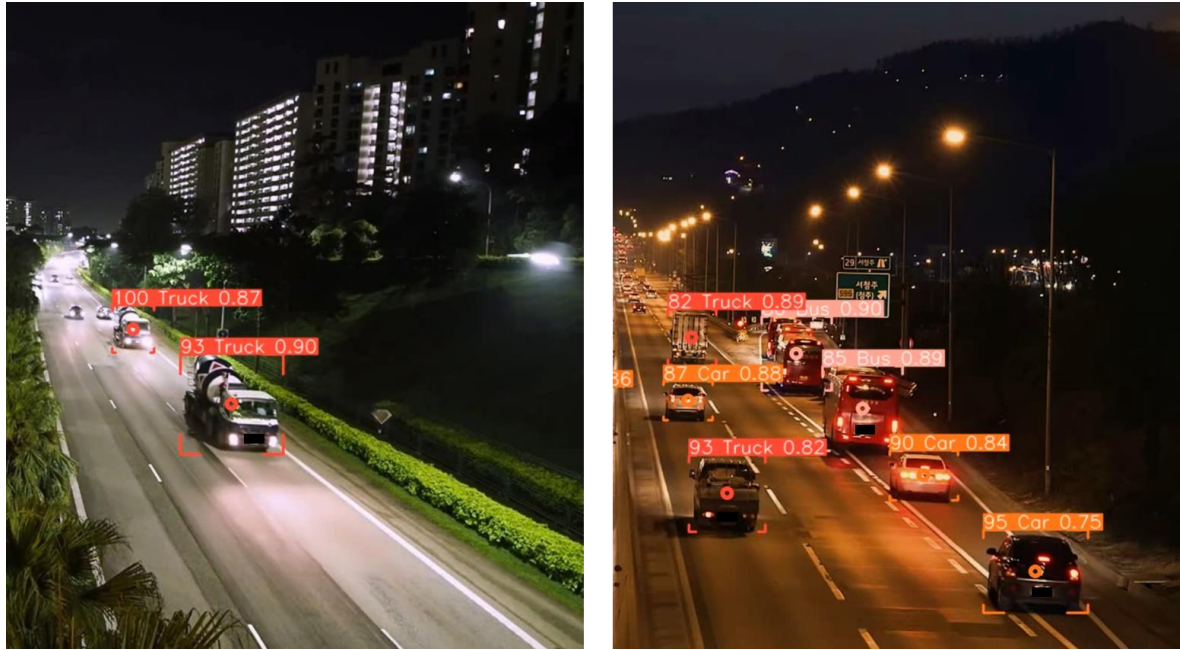


Figure 10 – Trained model object detection in the nighttime

The third column of *Table 11* contains passenger car equivalent values obtained with the traffic data collection system. The passenger car equivalent values represent the number of passenger cars that would have the same influence on traffic flow as the vehicles in the video. Using the PCE factors provided by HCM and TSE, the system's performance in measuring passenger car equivalent values was assessed for 1,587 vehicles, and more than 99% accuracy was attained for both. The vehicle counting data and passenger car equivalent values provide information about the relevant traffic flow and are also used to determine intersection and road capacity.

Table 11 – Passenger car equivalent value results for five videos

| Video        | Ground truth-passenger car equivalent values (HCM/TSE) | Proposed method passenger car equivalent values (HCM/TSE) |
|--------------|--------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|
| 35.mp4       | 142/151.4                                              | 143.5/150.6                                               |
| 36.mp4       | 501/534.6                                              | 507/546.5                                                 |
| 37.mp4       | 226.5/237.9                                            | 241.5/225.1                                               |
| 38.mp4       | 494/502                                                | 489.5/496.5                                               |
| 39.mp4       | 279.5/316.5                                            | 279/314.5                                                 |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>1643/1742.4</b>                                     | <b>1633.5/1733.2</b>                                      |

100 observations were taken to assess the spacing data results. *Figure 11* displays the results of 100 spacing observations. The observed spacing data and the spacing values evaluated by the traffic data collection system were determined to be similar, as shown in *Figure 11*. Manual and system measurement data were evaluated, and spacing measurement accuracy was found to be 93%.

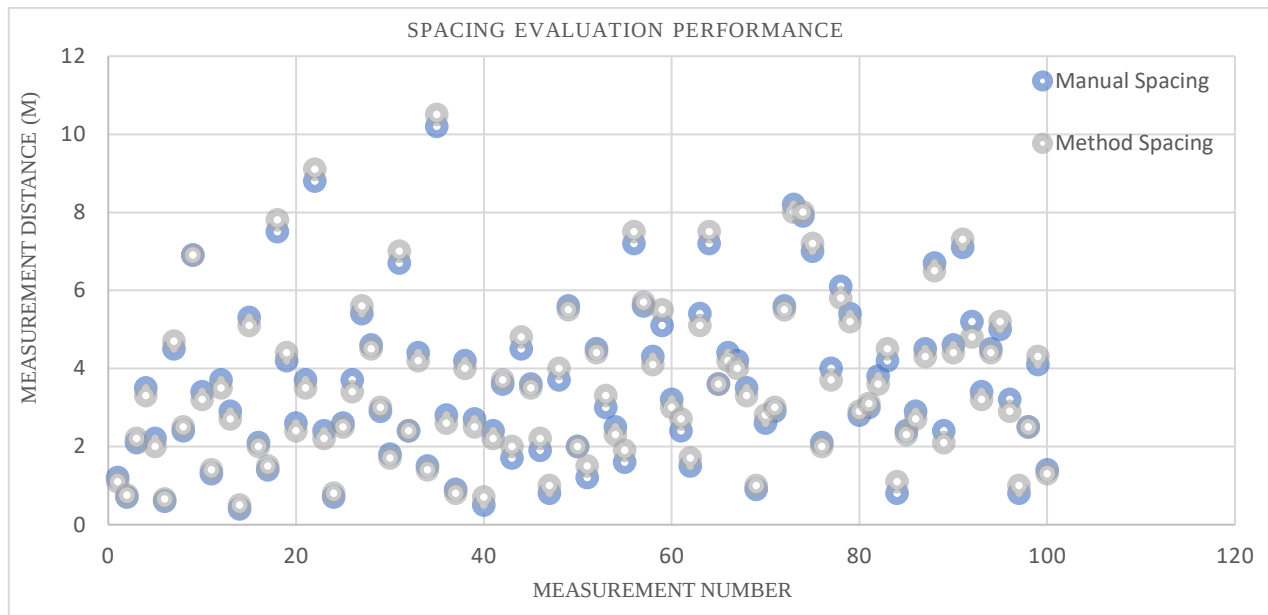


Figure 11 – Manual and proposed method spacing measurement scatter plot graph

## 5. CONCLUSIONS

The comprehensive traffic data collection framework introduced in this study demonstrates significant advancements in vehicle detection, counting and analysis across diverse conditions and environments. By leveraging a vast, international dataset and state-of-the-art computer vision algorithms, the model successfully maintains high accuracy in daytime and nighttime scenarios, achieving an impressive mean average precision (mAP) of 97.4% and consistent accuracy across headway, spacing and PCE metrics. Notably, this approach resolves issues found in similar studies – such as limited dataset diversity and restricted evaluation scenarios – by incorporating a broad range of vehicle types and environmental conditions, which enhances the generalisability of the model.

Compared to existing methods, this study's model not only streamlines the traffic data collection process but also provides high accuracy in estimating parameters critical for traffic management, including flow rate and intersection capacity through passenger car equivalency (PCE) factors. The testing conducted on over 10,000 vehicles showcases the model's robustness and reliability, highlighting its potential application for adaptive traffic systems in diverse urban environments. Such systems could benefit from enhanced traffic monitoring accuracy, which supports more effective congestion management and contributes to sustainable urban mobility goals.

Future research could build on this work by exploring integration with adaptive traffic control systems and extending the dataset to capture even broader global variability. As urban centres prioritise intelligent transportation systems, this study's approach lays a valuable foundation for further innovations that could make real-time, automated traffic data collection an accessible tool for city planners and transportation engineers globally.

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### **Bilgisayarlı Görü ve Uluslararası Veriseti Kullanılarak Headway-Spacing'in Analiz Edilmesi ve Eşdeğer Birim Otomobil Değerlerinin Hesaplanması**

#### **Öz**

İsabetli trafik akışı verileri, etkili ulaşım planlaması ve yönetimi için çok önemlidir. Farklı araç tipleri trafik akışını değişken bir şekilde etkiler, kavşak ve yol kapasitesini hesaplamak için farklı Eşdeğer Birim Otomobil (PCE) faktörleri gerektirir. Headway ve spacing verileri, trafik yoğunluğunu ve hizmet seviyesini değerlendirmek için önemlidir. Geleneksel veri toplama yöntemleri zaman alıcıdır ve genellikle yanlıştır. Bu çalışma, mevcut çalışmalardan farklı olarak, karma trafik akışı hacmini eşdeğer otomobil birimi cinsinden ölçmek ve headway-spacing verilerini yüksek doğrulukla toplamak için bilgisayarlı görüyü kullanmıştır. Araç algılama ve sayım prosedürleri, karma trafik akışı hacmini ölçmek ve headway ve spacing verilerini toplamak için zorunlu altyapıyı sağlar. Tek bir sistem kullanılarak, eşdeğer birim otomobil değerleri, headway, spacing, akım oranı, araç hızları ve trafik hacmi dahil olmak üzere kapsamlı trafik verileri toplamak için yeni yaklaşımlar tanıtılmıştır. Bu yaklaşımları analiz etmek için özel ve kapsamlı bir uluslararası veri kümesi toplanmıştır. Eğittiğimiz model %97,4 mean Average Precision (mAP) değeriyle birlikte, headway için %95, spacing için %93 ve PCE değerleri için %99 isabet oranı elde etmiştir.

#### **Anahtar Kelimeler**

Akıllı Ulaşım Sistemleri; Trafik Akım Verisi; Bilgisayarlı Görü; Headway-Spacing Verisi; Birim Otomobil Eşdeğerliği.

Table A1 – Vehicle count results table

| Video                                 | Vehicle type | Ground truth count | Method count | Missing/multiple detection/error | Precision % | Recall % | F1-Score | Counting accuracy % |
|---------------------------------------|--------------|--------------------|--------------|----------------------------------|-------------|----------|----------|---------------------|
| 1.mp4<br>(2 min)<br>Front<br>Daytime  | Car          | 151                | 153          | 0/2/2                            | 1           | 0.99     | 0.99     | 0.99                |
|                                       | Bus          | 0                  | 0            | 0/0/0                            | 1           | 1        | 1        | 1                   |
|                                       | Truck        | 9                  | 6            | 3/0/3                            | 0.67        | 1        | 0.8      | 0.67                |
|                                       | Van          | 13                 | 12           | 1/0/1                            | 0.92        | 1        | 0.96     | 0.92                |
|                                       | Total/Avg.   | 173                | 171          | 4/2/6                            | 0.90        | 1        | 0.94     | 0.89                |
| 2.mp4<br>(2 min)<br>Back<br>Daytime   | Car          | 96                 | 94           | 2/0/2                            | 0.98        | 1        | 0.99     | 0.98                |
|                                       | Bus          | 0                  | 0            | 0/0/0                            | 1           | 1        | 1        | 1                   |
|                                       | Truck        | 6                  | 6            | 0/0/0                            | 1           | 1        | 1        | 1                   |
|                                       | Van          | 5                  | 5            | 0/0/0                            | 1           | 1        | 1        | 1                   |
|                                       | Total/Avg.   | 107                | 105          | 2/0/2                            | 0.99        | 1        | 1        | 0.99                |
| 3.mp4<br>(1 min)<br>Front<br>Daytime  | Car          | 47                 | 46           | 1/0/1                            | 0.98        | 1        | 0.99     | 0.98                |
|                                       | Bus          | 6                  | 6            | 0/0/0                            | 1           | 1        | 1        | 1                   |
|                                       | Truck        | 1                  | 1            | 0/0/0                            | 1           | 1        | 1        | 1                   |
|                                       | Van          | 8                  | 10           | 0/2/2                            | 1           | 0.8      | 0.89     | 0.75                |
|                                       | Total/Avg.   | 62                 | 63           | 1/2/3                            | 1           | 0.95     | 0.97     | 0.93                |
| 4.mp4<br>(6 min)<br>Front<br>Daytime  | Car          | 148                | 148          | 0/0/0                            | 1           | 1        | 1        | 1                   |
|                                       | Bus          | 0                  | 0            | 0/0/0                            | 1           | 1        | 1        | 1                   |
|                                       | Truck        | 15                 | 16           | 0/1/1                            | 1           | 0.94     | 0.97     | 0.93                |
|                                       | Van          | 29                 | 28           | 1/0/1                            | 0.97        | 1        | 0.98     | 0.97                |
|                                       | Total/Avg.   | 192                | 192          | 1/1/2                            | 0.99        | 0.98     | 0.99     | 0.97                |
| 5.mp4<br>(5 min)<br>Front<br>Daytime  | Car          | 58                 | 58           | 0/0/0                            | 1           | 1        | 1        | 1                   |
|                                       | Bus          | 4                  | 4            | 0/0/0                            | 1           | 1        | 1        | 1                   |
|                                       | Truck        | 14                 | 13           | 1/0/1                            | 0.93        | 1        | 0.96     | 0.93                |
|                                       | Van          | 18                 | 19           | 0/1/0                            | 1           | 0.95     | 0.97     | 0.94                |
|                                       | Total/Avg.   | 94                 | 94           | 1/1/2                            | 0.98        | 0.99     | 0.98     | 0.97                |
| 6.mp4<br>(14 min)<br>Front<br>Daytime | Car          | 374                | 372          | 2/0/2                            | 0.99        | 1        | 1        | 0.99                |
|                                       | Bus          | 0                  | 0            | 0/0/0                            | 1           | 1        | 1        | 1                   |
|                                       | Truck        | 50                 | 51           | 0/1/1                            | 1           | 0.98     | 0.99     | 0.98                |
|                                       | Van          | 116                | 116          | 0/0/0                            | 1           | 1        | 1        | 1                   |
|                                       | Total/Avg.   | 540                | 539          | 2/1/3                            | 1           | 1        | 1        | 0.99                |
| 7.mp4<br>(14 min)<br>Back<br>Daytime  | Car          | 256                | 259          | 0/3/3                            | 1           | 0.99     | 0.99     | 0.99                |
|                                       | Bus          | 0                  | 0            | 0/0/0                            | 1           | 1        | 1        | 1                   |
|                                       | Truck        | 46                 | 45           | 1/0/1                            | 0.98        | 1        | 0.99     | 0.98                |
|                                       | Van          | 100                | 97           | 3/0/3                            | 0.97        | 1        | 0.98     | 0.97                |
|                                       | Total/Avg.   | 402                | 401          | 4/3/7                            | 0.98        | 1        | 0.99     | 0.98                |
| 8.mp4<br>(6 min)<br>Front<br>Daytime  | Car          | 52                 | 52           | 0/0/0                            | 1           | 1        | 1        | 1                   |
|                                       | Bus          | 1                  | 1            | 0/0/0                            | 1           | 1        | 1        | 1                   |
|                                       | Truck        | 8                  | 8            | 0/0/0                            | 1           | 1        | 1        | 1                   |
|                                       | Van          | 18                 | 16           | 2/0/2                            | 0.89        | 1        | 0.94     | 0.89                |
|                                       | Total/Avg.   | 79                 | 77           | 2/0/2                            | 0.97        | 1        | 0.99     | 0.97                |

| Video                                    | Vehicle type | Ground truth count | Method count | Missing/multiple detection/error | Precision % | Recall % | F1-Score | Counting accuracy % |
|------------------------------------------|--------------|--------------------|--------------|----------------------------------|-------------|----------|----------|---------------------|
| 9.mp4<br>(5 min)<br>Back<br>Daytime      | Car          | 38                 | 41           | 0/3/3                            | 1           | 0.93     | 0.96     | 0.92                |
|                                          | Bus          | 6                  | 6            | 0/0/0                            | 1           | 1        | 1        | 1                   |
|                                          | Truck        | 5                  | 2            | 3/0/3                            | 0.4         | 1        | 0.57     | 0.4                 |
|                                          | Van          | 22                 | 23           | 0/1/1                            | 1           | 0.96     | 0.98     | 0.95                |
|                                          | Total/Avg.   | 71                 | 72           | 3/4/7                            | 0.85        | 0.97     | 0.88     | 0.82                |
| 10.mp4<br>(5 min)<br>Back<br>Daytime     | Car          | 191                | 178          | 13/0/13                          | 0.93        | 1        | 0.96     | 0.93                |
|                                          | Bus          | 9                  | 12           | 0/3/3                            | 1           | 0.75     | 0.86     | 0.67                |
|                                          | Truck        | 32                 | 40           | 0/8/8                            | 1           | 0.8      | 0.89     | 0.75                |
|                                          | Van          | 38                 | 41           | 0/3/3                            | 1           | 0.93     | 0.96     | 0.92                |
|                                          | Total/Avg.   | 270                | 271          | 13/14/27                         | 0.98        | 0.87     | 0.92     | 0.82                |
| 11.mp4<br>(9 min)<br>Front<br>Daytime    | Car          | 138                | 135          | 3/0/3                            | 0.98        | 1        | 0.99     | 0.98                |
|                                          | Bus          | 5                  | 5            | 0/0/0                            | 1           | 1        | 1        | 1                   |
|                                          | Truck        | 11                 | 11           | 0/0/0                            | 1           | 1        | 1        | 1                   |
|                                          | Van          | 33                 | 35           | 0/2/2                            | 1           | 0.94     | 0.94     | 0.94                |
|                                          | Total/Avg.   | 187                | 186          | 3/2/5                            | 0.99        | 0.99     | 0.99     | 0.98                |
| 12.mp4<br>(1 min)<br>Back<br>Daytime     | Car          | 146                | 146          | 0/0/0                            | 1           | 1        | 1        | 1                   |
|                                          | Bus          | 0                  | 0            | 0/0/0                            | 1           | 1        | 1        | 1                   |
|                                          | Truck        | 20                 | 23           | 0/3/3                            | 1           | 0.87     | 0.93     | 0.85                |
|                                          | Van          | 8                  | 9            | 0/1/1                            | 1           | 0.89     | 0.94     | 0.88                |
|                                          | Total/Avg.   | 174                | 178          | 0/4/4                            | 1           | 0.94     | 0.97     | 0.93                |
| 13.mp4<br>(22 min)<br>Front<br>Nighttime | Car          | 380                | 371          | 9/0/9                            | 0.98        | 1        | 0.99     | 0.98                |
|                                          | Bus          | 5                  | 7            | 0/2/2                            | 1           | 0.71     | 0.83     | 0.6                 |
|                                          | Truck        | 33                 | 37           | 0/4/4                            | 1           | 0.89     | 0.94     | 0.88                |
|                                          | Van          | 64                 | 70           | 0/6/6                            | 1           | 0.91     | 0.96     | 0.91                |
|                                          | Total/Avg.   | 482                | 485          | 9/12/21                          | 0.99        | 0.88     | 0.93     | 0.84                |
| 14.mp4<br>(5 min)<br>Front<br>Daytime    | Car          | 180                | 173          | 7/0/7                            | 0.96        | 1        | 0.98     | 0.96                |
|                                          | Bus          | 3                  | 3            | 0/0/0                            | 1           | 1        | 1        | 1                   |
|                                          | Truck        | 2                  | 2            | 0/0/0                            | 1           | 1        | 1        | 1                   |
|                                          | Van          | 39                 | 34           | 5/0/5                            | 0.87        | 1        | 0.93     | 0.87                |
|                                          | Total/Avg.   | 224                | 212          | 12/0/12                          | 0.96        | 1        | 0.98     | 0.96                |
| 15.mp4<br>(34 min)<br>Back<br>Nighttime  | Car          | 982                | 1004         | 0/22/22                          | 1           | 0.98     | 0.99     | 0.98                |
|                                          | Bus          | 45                 | 49           | 0/4/4                            | 1           | 0.92     | 0.96     | 0.91                |
|                                          | Truck        | 314                | 316          | 0/2/2                            | 1           | 0.99     | 1        | 0.99                |
|                                          | Van          | 50                 | 55           | 0/5/5                            | 1           | 0.91     | 0.95     | 0.9                 |
|                                          | Total/Avg.   | 1391               | 1424         | 0/33/33                          | 1           | 0.95     | 0.97     | 0.95                |
| 16.mp4<br>(28 min)<br>Back<br>Nighttime  | Car          | 477                | 472          | 5/0/5                            | 0.99        | 1        | 0.99     | 0.99                |
|                                          | Bus          | 4                  | 3            | 1/0/1                            | 0.75        | 1        | 0.86     | 0.75                |
|                                          | Truck        | 2                  | 2            | 0/0/0                            | 1           | 1        | 1        | 1                   |
|                                          | Van          | 8                  | 10           | 0/2/2                            | 1           | 0.8      | 0.89     | 0.75                |
|                                          | Total/Avg.   | 491                | 487          | 6/2/8                            | 0.93        | 0.95     | 0.94     | 0.87                |

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|------------------------------------------|--------------|--------------------|--------------|----------------------------------|-------------|----------|----------|---------------------|
| 17.mp4<br>(10 min)<br>Front<br>Daytime   | Car          | 109                | 110          | 0/1/1                            | 1           | 0.99     | 1        | 0.99                |
|                                          | Bus          | 4                  | 5            | 0/1/1                            | 1           | 0.8      | 0.89     | 0.75                |
|                                          | Truck        | 5                  | 5            | 0/0/0                            | 1           | 1        | 1        | 1                   |
|                                          | Van          | 40                 | 40           | 0/0/0                            | 1           | 1        | 1        | 1                   |
|                                          | Total/Avg.   | 158                | 160          | 0/2/2                            | 1           | 0.95     | 0.97     | 0.94                |
| 18.mp4<br>(10 min)<br>Back<br>Daytime    | Car          | 121                | 120          | 1/0/1                            | 0.99        | 1        | 1        | 0.99                |
|                                          | Bus          | 3                  | 3            | 0/0/0                            | 1           | 1        | 1        | 1                   |
|                                          | Truck        | 6                  | 5            | 1/0/1                            | 0.83        | 1        | 0.91     | 0.83                |
|                                          | Van          | 43                 | 46           | 0/3/3                            | 1           | 0.93     | 0.97     | 0.93                |
|                                          | Total/Avg.   | 173                | 174          | 2/3/5                            | 0.96        | 0.98     | 0.97     | 0.94                |
| 19.mp4<br>(3 min)<br>Back<br>Daytime     | Car          | 194                | 198          | 0/4/4                            | 1           | 0.98     | 0.99     | 0.98                |
|                                          | Bus          | 9                  | 9            | 0/0/0                            | 1           | 1        | 1        | 1                   |
|                                          | Truck        | 46                 | 43           | 3/0/3                            | 0.93        | 1        | 0.97     | 0.93                |
|                                          | Van          | 3                  | 3            | 0/0/0                            | 1           | 1        | 1        | 1                   |
|                                          | Total/Avg.   | 252                | 253          | 3/4/7                            | 0.98        | 0.99     | 0.99     | 0.98                |
| 20.mp4<br>(3 min)<br>Front<br>Daytime    | Car          | 158                | 148          | 10/0/10                          | 0.94        | 1        | 0.97     | 0.94                |
|                                          | Bus          | 6                  | 7            | 0/1/1                            | 1           | 0.86     | 0.92     | 0.83                |
|                                          | Truck        | 54                 | 45           | 9/0/9                            | 0.83        | 1        | 0.91     | 0.83                |
|                                          | Van          | 15                 | 19           | 0/4/4                            | 1           | 0.79     | 0.88     | 0.73                |
|                                          | Total/Avg.   | 233                | 219          | 19/5/24                          | 0.94        | 0.91     | 0.92     | 0.83                |
| 21.mp4<br>(8 min)<br>Front<br>Daytime    | Car          | 225                | 251          | 0/26/26                          | 1           | 0.90     | 0.95     | 0.88                |
|                                          | Bus          | 6                  | 8            | 0/2/2                            | 1           | 0.75     | 0.86     | 0.83                |
|                                          | Truck        | 31                 | 30           | 1/0/1                            | 0.97        | 1        | 0.98     | 0.97                |
|                                          | Van          | 20                 | 19           | 1/0/1                            | 0.95        | 1        | 0.97     | 0.95                |
|                                          | Total/Avg.   | 282                | 308          | 2/28/30                          | 0.98        | 0.91     | 0.94     | 0.91                |
| 22.mp4<br>(23 min)<br>Front<br>Daytime   | Car          | 130                | 132          | 0/2/2                            | 1           | 0.98     | 0.99     | 0.98                |
|                                          | Bus          | 0                  | 0            | 0/0/0                            | 1           | 1        | 1        | 1                   |
|                                          | Truck        | 3                  | 3            | 0/0/0                            | 1           | 1        | 1        | 1                   |
|                                          | Van          | 20                 | 20           | 0/0/0                            | 1           | 1        | 1        | 1                   |
|                                          | Total/Avg.   | 153                | 155          | 0/2/2                            | 1           | 1        | 1        | 1                   |
| 23.mp4<br>(23 min)<br>Back<br>Nighttime  | Car          | 171                | 175          | 0/4/4                            | 1           | 0.98     | 0.99     | 0.98                |
|                                          | Bus          | 0                  | 0            | 0/0/0                            | 1           | 1        | 1        | 1                   |
|                                          | Truck        | 0                  | 0            | 0/0/0                            | 1           | 1        | 1        | 1                   |
|                                          | Van          | 39                 | 39           | 0/0/0                            | 1           | 1        | 1        | 1                   |
|                                          | Total/Avg.   | 210                | 214          | 0/4/4                            | 1           | 0.99     | 1        | 0.99                |
| 24.mp4<br>(34 min)<br>Front<br>Nighttime | Car          | 519                | 549          | 0/30/30                          | 1           | 0.95     | 0.97     | 0.94                |
|                                          | Bus          | 24                 | 20           | 4/0/4                            | 0.83        | 1        | 0.91     | 0.83                |
|                                          | Truck        | 165                | 134          | 31/0/31                          | 0.81        | 1        | 0.90     | 0.81                |
|                                          | Van          | 34                 | 29           | 5/0/5                            | 0.85        | 1        | 0.92     | 0.85                |
|                                          | Total/Avg.   | 742                | 732          | 40/30/70                         | 0.87        | 0.99     | 0.92     | 0.86                |

| Video                                    | Vehicle type | Ground truth count | Method count | Missing/multiple detection/error | Precision % | Recall % | F1-Score | Counting accuracy % |
|------------------------------------------|--------------|--------------------|--------------|----------------------------------|-------------|----------|----------|---------------------|
| 25.mp4<br>(29 min)<br>Front<br>Nighttime | Car          | 523                | 496          | 27/0/27                          | 0.94        | 1        | 0.97     | 0.95                |
|                                          | Bus          | 1                  | 1            | 0/0/0                            | 1           | 1        | 1        | 1                   |
|                                          | Truck        | 0                  | 0            | 0/0/0                            | 1           | 1        | 1        | 1                   |
|                                          | Van          | 16                 | 15           | 1/0/1                            | 0.94        | 1        | 0.97     | 0.94                |
|                                          | Total/Avg.   | 540                | 512          | 28/0/28                          | 0.97        | 1        | 0.99     | 0.97                |
| 26.mp4<br>(29 min)<br>Back<br>Nighttime  | Car          | 536                | 519          | 17/0/17                          | 0.97        | 1        | 0.98     | 0.97                |
|                                          | Bus          | 6                  | 6            | 0/0/0                            | 1           | 1        | 1        | 1                   |
|                                          | Truck        | 0                  | 0            | 0/0/0                            | 1           | 1        | 1        | 1                   |
|                                          | Van          | 18                 | 22           | 0/4/4                            | 1           | 0.82     | 0.9      | 0.78                |
|                                          | Total/Avg.   | 560                | 547          | 17/4/21                          | 0.99        | 0.95     | 0.97     | 0.94                |
| 27.mp4<br>(30 min)<br>Front<br>Daytime   | Car          | 332                | 295          | 37/0/37                          | 0.89        | 1        | 0.94     | 0.89                |
|                                          | Bus          | 20                 | 24           | 0/4/4                            | 1           | 0.83     | 0.91     | 0.8                 |
|                                          | Truck        | 39                 | 34           | 5/0/5                            | 0.87        | 1        | 0.93     | 0.87                |
|                                          | Van          | 29                 | 30           | 0/1/1                            | 1           | 0.97     | 0.98     | 0.97                |
|                                          | Total/Avg.   | 420                | 383          | 42/5/47                          | 0.94        | 0.95     | 0.94     | 0.88                |
| 28.mp4<br>(30 min)<br>Back<br>Daytime    | Car          | 535                | 544          | 9/0/9                            | 0.98        | 1        | 0.99     | 0.98                |
|                                          | Bus          | 11                 | 9            | 0/2/2                            | 1           | 0.82     | 0.9      | 0.78                |
|                                          | Truck        | 40                 | 43           | 3/0/3                            | 0.93        | 1        | 0.96     | 0.93                |
|                                          | Van          | 53                 | 43           | 0/10/10                          | 1           | 0.81     | 0.90     | 0.77                |
|                                          | Total/Avg.   | 639                | 639          | 12/12/24                         | 0.98        | 0.91     | 0.94     | 0.86                |
| 29.mp4<br>(15 min)<br>Front<br>Daytime   | Car          | 509                | 562          | 53/0/53                          | 0.91        | 1        | 0.95     | 0.91                |
|                                          | Bus          | 14                 | 14           | 0/0/0                            | 1           | 1        | 1        | 1                   |
|                                          | Truck        | 79                 | 70           | 0/9/9                            | 1           | 0.89     | 0.94     | 0.87                |
|                                          | Van          | 107                | 117          | 10/0/10                          | 0.91        | 1        | 0.96     | 0.91                |
|                                          | Total/Avg.   | 709                | 763          | 63/9/72                          | 0.96        | 0.97     | 0.96     | 0.92                |