# LRCN-Based Surveillance System

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***Abstract*— A Surveillance and Alert System is designed to detect violent activities and fire spread within a surveillance environment, promptly alerting the concerned authority. Today, CCTV surveillance is the most fundamental and impactful security feature a premise can have. Being a well-known method of preventing and identifying undesirable activities, CCTV systems are commonly deployed in various premises. For instance, a college campus may have CCTV installed in diverse structures, such as dormitories, classrooms, canteens, sports complexes, auditoriums, etc. However, manually searching through recorded video after an incident occurs is a time-consuming process. The aim of this project is to develop a Long-term Recurrent Convolutional Network (LRCN) system for environments like academic campuses to monitor CCTV footage and detect violent activities, such as fighting, and fire incidents. The system will create alerts through calls and messages via email, including the video of the detected activity, which will be sent to the respective authority.**

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## I. INTRODUCTION

Recognizing human actions in surveillance films has evolved into an active and forward-thinking research subject in computer vision and machine learning. The classification of visual content data is based on human activity, which exhibits general human behavior. Human behavior and activities are understood using several video features that categorize events as normal or abnormal. Walking, running on the ground, eating food, sitting down and rising from a chair, reclining in bed, choosing an object from a table or floor, and descending stairs are all examples of regular activities. Normal human actions are deviated from abnormal behaviors, often known as suspicious activities. The activities are inappropriate in one context but might be regarded as normal in another. Running in a playground, for example, is regarded as normal, whereas running in a bank or a marketplace is viewed as abnormal. The most significant unusual activities are those that physically show actions to inflict hurt or damage with aggressive behaviors. Fighting,

murdering, and beating someone are the most typical forms of public violence Violent behaviors are manually monitored in a semi-automated method via the monitor screen of a security camera. This is not advantageous since continual monitoring is necessary, yet continuously watching screens to spot aggressive behaviors is tough. There is no room for

laxity when it comes to monitoring such actions because they might occur at any time. Such semi-automated systems must be transformed into fully automated intelligent systems capable of detecting and recognizing violent behaviors without human supervision. Fully automated systems can identify human activity using computer vision and machine learning and are more successful and efficient than semi-automated systems in detecting object motions and recognizing human activity. Because of variables such as real-time categorization, the low video quality of security cameras, and unpredictable light intensity during monitoring, human activity detection is a tough process.

CCTV surveillance systems have developed into a forensic tool, which is used to gather evidence after an incident has occurred, as recording and storage technology and software like video analytics have become more effective. However, as CCTV surveillance systems become more easily integrated with monitoring devices, alarm systems, and access control devices, a third application of CCTV is growing rapidly i.e. assisting security personnel in detecting and interrupting security problems as they occur, or even before they occur.

## II. RELATED WORKS

Using many different techniques, the challenge of violent action recognition at a distance has been achievable in the last few years. Although the initial attempts produced positive results, there are still a few limitations to these methods. For violence detection systems, both machine learning and deep learning methods have been implemented over the years to get efficient results. Some of these involve:

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[1] The proposed framework included a Bag-of-Words framework used for action recognition along with two action descriptors: STIP and MoSIFT on a new video database containing 1000 sequences divided into two groups: fights and

non-fights. The experimental results were able to detect fights with 90[2] The approach was evaluated using two publically accessible datasets utilizing motion boundary SIFT (MoBSIFT) and movement filtering modules. To alleviate the temporal complexity posed by the MoBSIFT approach, the authors switched the optical flow estimation to dense optical flow estimation for the full frame once, removing the difference of Gaussian (DOG) pyramid-based flow estimation.
[9] Machine learning approach was proposed based on a Support Vector Machine (SVM), to detect if a human action, captured on a video is or not violent. Using a pose estimation algorithm, it focuses mostly on feature engineering, to generate the SVM inputs. In particular, hand-engineered a set of input features based on key points (angles, velocity, and contact detection) and used them, under distinct combinations, to study their effect on violent behavior recognition from video. Overall, an excellent classification was achieved by the best-performing SVM model, which used key points, angles, and contact features computed over a 60-frame image input range.
[11] This paper describes the movement sensors and a microphone collect motion and speech data, which is used to extract a set of motion and audio attributes that may be used to identify bullying instances from everyday life events. Time-domain and frequency-domain motion characteristics are retrieved, while audio features are calculated using traditional MFCCs. The wrapper technique is used to implement feature selection. These motion and audio characteristics are then combined to generate combined feature vectors for classification, and LDA is used to reduce dimension further. A BPNN is taught to detect bullying and separate it from regular daily life activities. In addition, the authors offer an action transition detection approach to decrease computing complexity for practical use. As a result, the bullying detection system will only be activated when an action transition event is observed. The combined motion-audio feature vector surpasses isolated motion and acoustic features in simulation, obtaining an accuracy of 82.4 and a precision of 92.2. Furthermore, the action transition approach can cut computing costs in half.
[12] The authors provide a cascaded technique of detecting violence based on motion boundary SIFT (MoBSIFT) and movement filtering. The surveillance movies are examined using a movement filtering algorithm based on temporal derivative in this technique, which prevents most peaceful acts from passing through feature extraction. Only filtered frames may be used for feature extraction. Motion boundary histogram is retrieved and coupled with scale-invariant feature transform (SIFT) and histogram of optical flow feature to generate MoBSIFT descriptor. Because of its great tolerance to camera motions, the experimental findings reveal that the proposed MoBSIFT beats the existing approaches in accuracy. The use of movement filtering in conjunction with MoBSIFT has also proven to minimize time complexity.
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[3] The suggested model is a U-Net-like network that extracts spatial features and then utilizes LSTM for temporal feature extraction and classification. Five folds of cross-validation were used, with three different datasets: Hockey Fights, Movie Fights, and RWF-2000. Experiments using a dataset based on RWF-2000 revealed an average accuracy of 0.82 2 and an average precision of 0.81 3.
[4] The solution uses an architecture in the Fast-RCNN style that has been temporally extended. First, using motion appearance (dynamic pictures), tracking algorithms, and pre-trained person detectors, a spatiotemporal suggestion (action tubes) is constructed. Then, using deep neural networks, spatiotemporal information from an input video and the action suggestions is being extracted. The classification of each action as violent or not violent is done by training a classifier based on multiple-instance learning. With the help of three open datasets, Hockey Fight, RLVSD, and RWF-2000, an accuracy of 97.3, 92.88, and 88.7, is achieved respectively.
[5] Another proposed framework uses a lightweight CNN architecture for detecting anomalies in the actions found in videos. The three categories of abnormal behaviors are falling suspicious action, and violence. To achieve high classification performance, the proposed framework adopts SG3Is (stacked grayscale 3-channel images) to train a lightweight CNN. SG3Is provide a potent alternative to classical methods of motion representation, such as optical flow and dynamic images. The experiments on UR Fall, Avenue, Mini-Drone Video, and Hockey Fights datasets show that the proposed framework can efficiently detect various anomalies found in these datasets with accuracies of 98.86, 95.28, 95.81, and 99.74, respectively.
[6] The proposed model is a combination of ResNet and ConvLSTM used for anomaly detection from surveillance cameras. Convolutional Neural Networks (CNN)and Recurrent Neural Networks (RNN) structure. CNN to extract essential features from each input video data frame. Whereas (RNN) helps investigate a series of frames to find any abnormal events. Implement the Residual Networks (ResNets) part of CNN. Then used Convolutional LSTM (ConvLSTM) as a recurrent network (RNN) to find the anomalies in our video dataset. The video file is divided into n frames, the difference between each frame is the input to the CNN (i.e., ResNet50). The output of the ResNet50 will then go to the RNN (i.e. ConvLSTM). After this process is done for all n frames, the output goes to a max-pooling layer followed by several fully connected layers to get final results. The proposed model was implemented on the UCF-Crime dataset to compare experimental results with other methods applied to evaluate how well our model works. AUC and Accuracy metrics were used for evaluation.
[7] Here it presents an intelligent fire/smoke detection approach based on the YOLOv2 network, which aims to achieve a high detection rate, low false alarm rate, and high speed. Then detector is deployed on a single-board embedded system, NVIDIA Jetson Nano, as a standalone application for real-time video processing. CNN-based fire detection based on a pre-trained VGG16 and Resnet50 as baseline architecture. YOLOv2 algorithm helped to identify and locate fire and smoke objects using a video camera. The proposed model was a Deep Neural Designer tool in MATLAB to build YOLOv2 neural network layers. The model is constructed using CNN with 21 layers which were compared to the other object detectors such as R-CNN and Fast R-CNN. MATLAB was used with our bench-test dataset of fire and smoke videos. These 3 were run simultaneously resulting in YOLOv2 25

times faster than R-CNN and 23 times than the Fast R-CNN object detectors.

[8] The Convolutional Neural Network (CNN) models have been evaluated with the proposed MobileNet model. The MobileNet model has been contrasted with AlexNet, VGG-16, and GoogleNet models. The simulations have been executed using Python from which the accuracy of AlexNet is 88.99 and the loss is 2.480. The accuracy of VGG-16 is 96.49 and the loss is 0.1669, The accuracy of GoogleNet is 94.99 and the loss is 2.92416. The proposed MobileNet model accuracy is 96.66 and the loss is 0.1329.

[10] It presents three deep learning-based models for violence detection and tests them on the AIRTLab dataset. The author proposed transfer learning-based models which are C3D combined with an SVM classifier and C3D combined with new fully connected layers. It helped get stable accuracy results on all three tested datasets, being better, in many cases, than the related works tested on the Hockey Fight and Crowd Violence. Thereby suggesting going with transfer learning-based models for the task of violence detection. The models based on 3D CNNs perform better than well-known 2D CNNs pre-trained on ImageNet and combined with a recurrent module to extract the spatiotemporal features of the videos in the datasets, suggesting continuing the research about 3D architectures for violence detection. Moreover, all the proposed models demonstrated more capability of identifying violent videos than non-violent, given that most of the errors are false positives. Whilst this behavior is partially affected by the fact that the samples from the two classes are unbalanced, it also validates the design of the AIRTLab dataset in checking the robustness against false positives.

## III. PROPOSED MODEL

This section outlines the architecture and workflow of our integrated surveillance and activity recognition system, designed to enhance security and situational awareness.

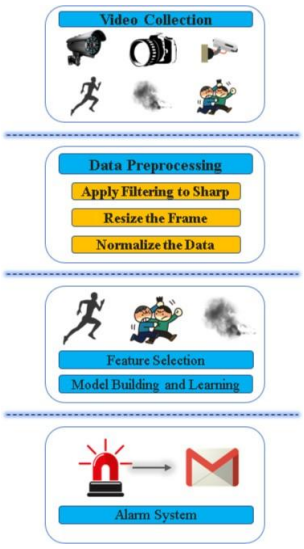


Figure 3.1: Use case Diagram

*A. Data Acquisition & Preprocessing*

- Video Acquisition: Real-time video footage is captured from strategically placed surveillance cameras within the designated area.
- Audio Acquisition: Ambient audio, including any spoken words, is captured by strategically placed microphones.

*Video Preprocessing:*

- Frame Extraction: Video streams are processed to extract a sequence of frames.
- Frame Processing: Extracted frames undergo preprocessing steps such as resizing, normalization, and background subtraction to enhance feature extraction.

*Audio Preprocessing:*

- Audio Segmentation: Audio streams are segmented into smaller chunks for efficient processing.
- Feature Extraction: Relevant acoustic features, such as pitch, intensity, and formants, are extracted from the audio using the Librosa library.

*B. Activity Recognition*

*Violence, Fire, and Non-Violence Detection:*

The extracted video frames are fed into the trained LRCN model to detect Violence, Fire, and Non-violence activities within the video sequence.

The LRCN model utilizes a combination of CNNs and LSTMs to learn spatiotemporal features and classify the activity..

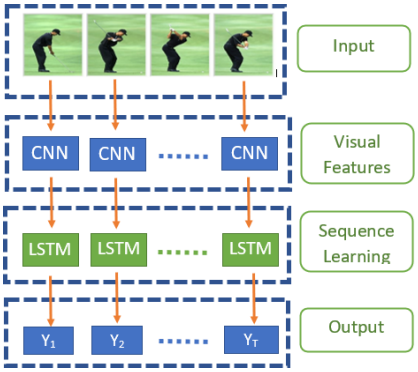


Figure 3.2: Long-Term Recurrent Convolutional Network

*C. Speech Emotion Recognition (SER):*

Emotion Classification: The extracted audio features are analyzed by a trained machine learning model to classify the

speaker's emotional state (e.g., neutral, happy, angry, sad, fearful).

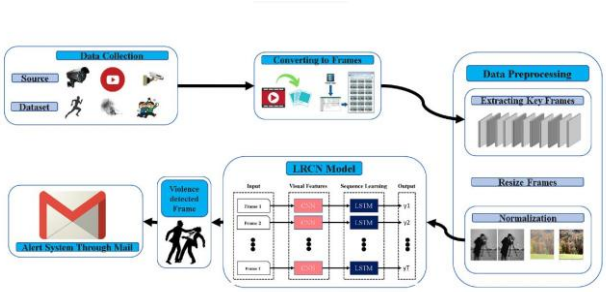


Figure 3.3: High-level architecture diagram

*D. Threat Assessment & Alerting*

*Threat Level Determination:*

- The system assesses the threat level based on the following factors:
- Activity Recognition results (Violence, Fire, Non-violence)
- Speech Emotion Recognition results (e.g., high threat levels for anger, fear, distress)
- Object Detection results (e.g., identification of suspicious objects or individuals)
- Contextual information (e.g., time of day, location within the scene)
- Behavioral analysis (e.g., loitering, rapid movements)

*Alert Generation:*

If the threat level exceeds a predefined threshold, an alert is triggered.

Alerts can be disseminated through various channels:

Visual alerts on monitoring screens

Notifications to security personnel via SMS, email, or a dedicated app

Activation of sirens or other automated responses

Deployment of security personnel or robotic devices

*E. System Enhancements*

*Facial Expression Analysis:*

Integrate facial expression recognition to complement the SER system and provide a more comprehensive understanding of individual emotional states.

*Multilingual Support:*

Implement real-time translation of spoken words to enable accurate emotion recognition and analysis in multilingual environments.

*Machine Learning Model Optimization:*

Continuously refine and improve the performance of the LRCN and SER models through ongoing training and evaluation.

*Edge Computing:*

Deploy a portion of the processing workload to edge devices (e.g., cameras with integrated processing units) to reduce latency and improve real-time performance.

*F. Applications*

- *Public Spaces:* Airports, train stations, shopping malls, and other public areas.
- *Residential Areas:* Smart homes, gated communities, and apartment complexes.
- *Businesses:* Retail stores, offices, and industrial facilities.
- *Healthcare Facilities:* Hospitals, nursing homes, and mental health centers.

*Key Advantages:*

- *Proactive Threat Detection:* The system proactively identifies and responds to potential threats before they escalate.
- *Enhanced Situational Awareness:* Provides security personnel with valuable insights into the activities, emotions, and behaviors of individuals within the surveillance area.
- *Improved Response Times*: Enables faster response times to emergencies and incidents.
- *Reduced Human Intervention:* Automates many aspects of threat detection and response, freeing up human resources for other critical tasks.
- *Data-Driven Decision Making:* Provides valuable data and insights that can be used to improve security protocols and enhance overall safety.

This integrated approach leverages the strengths of both video and audio analysis, combining activity recognition, speech emotion recognition, and other advanced techniques to create a more comprehensive and effective surveillance system

## IV. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

We provide a model for surveillance and alert that works efficiently. An intriguing objective for future research would be to identify action sequences that lead to the initiation of the violence. It is critical to detect violence in video data streams.



Figure 4.1: Action Recognition

To detect suspicious activity, The model architecture is defined. A basic LRCN model with four CNN layers followed by an LSTM layer is created. For model construction, a sequential model is used. Then the model summary is displayed. The constructed LRCN model is returned. In Figure 4.1 it can be seen that the model can identify Non-violence, Violence, and Fire

Further, the accuracy of the model is also evaluated for the better results. The model achieved an accuracy of about 83 percent, which is not bad.

For the alert system, we are using the library like smtplib and Email Message. By defining the user and password the message can be sent through the defined email to the targeted email address, the SMTP server is used to define the email. After using the if clause which contains the targeted email and the message that is needed to be sent. Then, the mail is sent along with the video that is tagged by the detection as seen in Figure 4.3

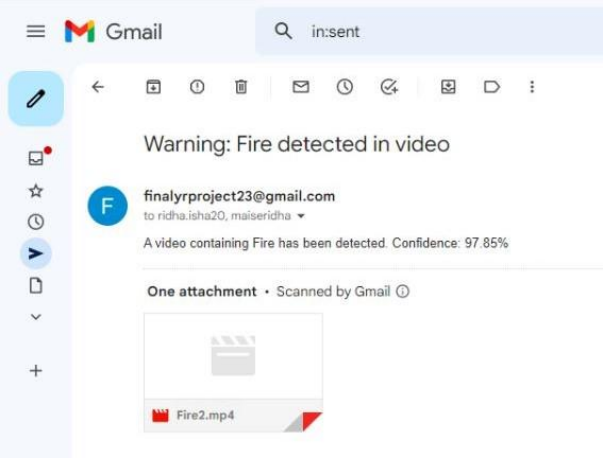


Figure 4.3: Alert through Gmail

## V. FUTURE SCOPE

The future of violence and smoke detection with the LRCN model is broad and promising, and as technology advances, the potential applications are likely to continue expanding, providing a safer environment for individuals and communities.

1. Improving accuracy: The accuracy of CNNs and LRCNs in violence and fire detection can be further improved by incorporating more diverse training data and fine-tuning the models for specific use cases.

2. Integrating additional information: Combining other sources of information such as audio or text data with video data can enhance the performance of violence detection models.

3. Handling real-world scenarios: The models need to be tested and improved in real-world scenarios to handle various lighting conditions, camera angles, and background distractions.

4. Real-time implementation: The implementation of these models in real-time systems for surveillance and public safety can greatly benefit from advancements in edge computing and low-latency processing.

5. Explaining predictions: The interpretability of violence and fire detection models needs to be improved to gain more confidence in the predictions made by the systems. This can help in reducing false alarms and improving overall performance.

6. The LRCN model can also be used in conjunction with other sensors such as carbon monoxide detectors and temperature sensors to provide a complete fire warning system. This can enable rapid evacuation and intervention and reduce the damage caused by fires.

7. The LRCN model can be used with unmanned aerial vehicles (UAVs) to detect smoke and other fires in remote areas, allowing for early detection of forest fires and more efficient monitoring of large areas.

Continued research and development in these areas will further advance the capabilities of CNNs and LRCNs in violence and fire detection and enhance their potential to promote public safety.

## VI. CONCLUSION

With the aim of expanding the range of our Smart Surveillance Systems solutions, we are developing a real-time violence and fire detection technology that can be integrated with a surveillance system. Its primary function is to ensure public safety through visual crowd surveillance, so any violent activity generates automatically an alert is generated. The violence detection module can be incorporated into the surveillance systems installed in airports, schools, parking lots, prisons, shopping malls, and other indoor and outdoor public access areas.

An efficient surveillance system is a large-scale computer vision, data analysis, and decision-making challenges. Hence the ‘smart’ approach to extracting information from the surveillance footage employs the synergy of several innovative technologies that power the next key components of the Smart Surveillance Systems.

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