

# Efficient abnormality detection using patch-based 3D convolution with recurrent model

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## Abstract

Recent advances in the intelligence video monitoring system have received widespread attention for the detection of anomalous human behavior in crowded scenes. Due to the varying crowd densities, low-resolution videos, inter-object occlusion and complex human crowds, the detection of abnormalities from human activities is extremely challenging. Hence, automatic analysis of behavioral patterns is necessary for accurately modeling crowd behavior and alerting human operators about suspicious activities on the scene. In response to these concerns, we propose a two-stream multi-scale patch-based pyramidal dilated 3D fully connected network (FCN) with attentive bidirectional long short-term memory (2MPD-3DFCN-AttBiDLSTM) for detecting and locating abnormal activities in the frame. This model effectively captures the spatial-temporal features with a dilated convolution network, and thus the motion and optical flow information features are exploited from the continuous frame, which improves the detection accuracy. Also, we introduce a parallel weighted skip connection into the residual learning framework that preserves the rich characteristics of the input data to be learned without the loss of effective features. Based on the attentive mechanism in the bidirectional LSTM model, two directions of temporal and global representation are extracted that enhance the classification of unusual and normal activity in the visual sequences. Experimental analysis is performed with the two publicly available datasets and evaluated in terms of the equal error rate, precision-recall curve, receiver operating characteristic curve, and area under the curve metrics measures. The result shows that the proposed model outperforms the existing model and achieves high detection results in the video surveillance monitoring system.

**Keywords** Abnormal human behavior detection · Abnormal behavior · Anomalous detection · Dilated convolution network · LSTM · Crowded scene · Video surveillance

## 1 Introduction

In recent years, abnormal behavioral analysis has received greater attention in the detection of unusual activity in

crowded scenes [1]. Abnormal activities, such as sudden violence and individual deviations from usual events, greatly affect public safety and raise serious issues for social governance. Traditional detection models employ manpower to detect anomalies by analyzing video continuously, leading to inefficiency and low accuracy. Therefore, automatic identification is needed for research in visual surveillance to analyze group activity and ensure security in crowded environments. Video monitoring is installed in several places, including airports, educational institutions, hospitals, commercial firms, residential areas, and smart cities [2].

In the healthcare sector, surveillance provides an intelligent and inexpensive way to monitor the daily events of older people, as well as patients suffering from physical disorders requiring long-term assessment [3]. If suspicious movement is detected, an alert message or alarm is raised and sent to the security personnel in the monitoring system. A visual monitoring system is applied mainly for object detection

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