# Determination of Vehicle Speed from Traffic Video

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# The Speed Detection Algorithm

- Detection and tracking based on optical flow and blob analysis
- Speed computed from lane markers and video frame rate





## Advantages of the Speed Detection Algorithm

- Uses a single camera system
- Viewing angle and focal length independent
- Scene independent
- Multiple vehicle detection capability
- Multiple vehicle tracking capability

A complex problem simplified for fast applications



### VEHICLE DETECTION in a single frame



Fig. 1 Moving object detection





### VEHICLE TRACKING across frames (Example 1)



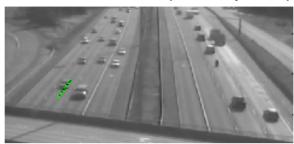
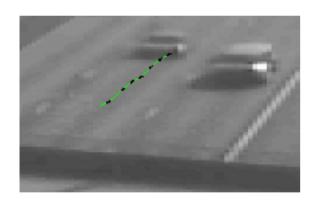
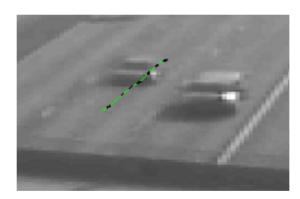




Fig. 2 Example 1: Moving vehicle tracking across frames, (frames 41, 47, 49)





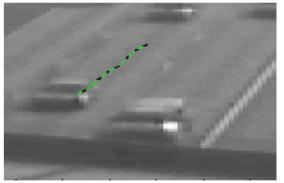


Fig. 3 Close-up of tracked vehicle in Fig. 2





#### VEHICLE TRACKING across frames (Example 2)

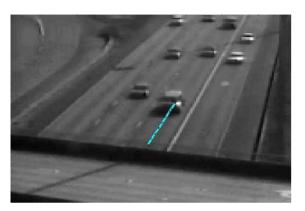
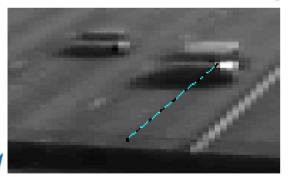






Fig. 4 Example 2: Tracking across frames (frames 42, 45, 50) showing multiple vehicle tracking within a frame sequence (see Example 1 frames)



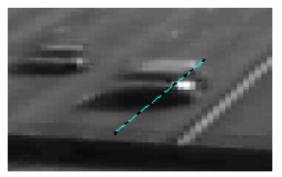




Fig. 5 Close-up of tracked vehicle in Figure 4 (frames 42, 45, 50)



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#### VEHICLE TRACKING across frames (Example 3)



Fig. 7 Example 3: Tracking across frames (frames 28, 31, 35)

**Speed** = (distance traveled between frames) / (elapsed time between frames)



