

# Review of: "Tweeting AI: A Machine Learning Approach for Bird Species Detection and Classification"

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This is a useful study as it addresses a real world problem (i.e endangered bird species).

## Pros

1. The research problem is clear.
2. The approach utilized for detection and classification is a good fit for the problem.
3. If successful, the same framework can be useful for the preservation efforts of other endangered species (i.e besides birds), using audiovisual data.

## Cons

1. A lot of unnecessary background details are provided in the different sections of the manuscript. Example: CNNs have been used extensively in literature, and therefore the detailed descriptions of how they work is not necessary. The same for the working mechanism of YOLO.
2. Rather than providing a lot of screenshots of the model training and testing process, provide the logical flow of the same using a standard scientific presentation format (e.g an algorithm, flow chart, etc.).
3. The results of the implementation exercise could be presented better - Not simply screenshots of objection detection from a live program.
4. It is claimed on page 34 that, "We analyze the performance of our proposed approach and compare it with existing methods in the literature". This has actually not been done, yet a crucial step in validating the approach proposed in this work.
5. Overall, the presentation format of the manuscript needs thorough improvement, to allow for a coherent and logical flow.