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Integrating Emotional Modeling and Feedback in UAV Systems for Enhanced Traffic Monitoring and Smart Transportation Management

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> Abstract: As Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAVs) become integral to urban infrastructure, their ability to communicate effectively with human operators and adapt to dynamic environments is crucial. This paper presents an innovative approach to enhancing UAV performance in transportation and traffic monitoring by integrating emotional intelligence through the PAD (Pleasure, Arousal, Dominance) model. The proposed system architecture includes a comprehensive data collection layer that gathers diverse inputs from sensors and contextual information, a perception analysis layer that processes these inputs to generate emotional states using the PAD model, and a response layer that translates these emotional states into specific behaviors through behavioral mapping and adaptation modules. Detailed methodologies, including pseudocode and flowcharts for key modules such as data normalization, PAD calculation, mood updating, and mood octant determination, are provided for clarity and reusability. The system's effectiveness is validated through practical scenarios such as routine surveillance, heavy traffic monitoring, and incident detection, demonstrating significant improvements in UAV adaptability and interaction. Key contributions include the development of a multi-dimensional emotional model for UAVs, a dynamic mood updater module, and the successful application of the PAD model in complex traffic monitoring scenarios. This approach significantly enhances UAV performance, ensuring more natural interactions with human operators and better adaptability to real-time traffic conditions. It paves the way for future exploration into emotionally intelligent autonomous UAV systems.

> Keywords: UAV, Emotional Model, PAD, Traffic Monitoring, Autonomous Systems

1. Introduction

The UAVs deployment in modern transportation is one of the most promising applications today as they can navigate complex environments and gather real-time data, these capabilities allowed UAVs to position themselves as invaluable tools for managing traffic congestion, monitoring traffic flow [1], and responding to incidents [2].

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Despite their growing utility, integrating UAVs into urban operations presents challenges [3], especially in terms of interacting with human operators and autonomously adapting to dynamic conditions. Traditional UAV systems, with their rigid frameworks [4],, often fall short in unpredictable environments like traffic monitoring. This highlights the need for more advanced approaches, including the integration of emotional models into UAVs [5] [6] [7]. Emotional Intelligence EI defined as the ability to perceive and manage emotions to guide behavior [8]. This paper introduces a novel approach to address this challenge by embedding EI in UAVs using the PAD (Pleasure, Arousal, Dominance) model. This model, traditionally applied in affective computing and robotics. By embedding EI into UAVs, we create systems that respond more naturally to human operators and adapt dynamically to urban traffic complexities.

Our research focuses on developing emotionally intelligent UAVs that interpret realtime data and adjust behavior based on contextual factors such as traffic density, weather, and human feedback. This approach enhances UAV adaptability, making them highly effective in scenarios requiring quick adaptation and rapid decision-making, such as heavy traffic management or incident detection. The integration of EI represents a transformative step towards smarter, more autonomous, and cooperative urban infrastructure. The following sections explore the methodology for integrating the PAD model, its impact on UAV behavior and performance, and findings from scenario-based analyses, demonstrating the potential of emotionally intelligent UAVs in urban traffic management.

2. Literature Review

UAVs have become indispensable in improving transportation and traffic management, particularly due to their ability to capture high-resolution, real-time data that aids in managing complex urban environments. According to [9], UAVs are highly effective in tasks such as monitoring traffic flow, managing congestion, and responding to incidents because of their operational flexibility and aerial perspective. Similarly, [10] highlight how UAVs contribute to urban planning by providing detailed infrastructure assessments and optimizing resource deployment in emergency scenarios. The dynamic data collection capabilities of UAVs allow for adaptive traffic management solutions, significantly improving emergency response times and situational awareness in traffic control [11]. As UAV technology advances, it will increasingly address urban mobility challenges and integrate more deeply into traffic management systems.

Emotional modeling enhances human-robot interactions by simulating emotional states using frameworks like the Pleasure-Arousal-Dominance (PAD) model developed by Mehrabian and Russell [12], which categorizes emotions into three dimensions. Applied to autonomous systems, the PAD model improves engagement and decision-making, fostering more natural, empathetic interactions [13]. Recently, the PAD model has been applied to autonomous systems to improve user engagement and decision-making processes, as shown in [14]. Similarly, [15] emphasized the importance of emotional modeling for enhancing the decision-making processes of autonomous systems, enabling them to respond more effectively to environmental and situational cues. Despite this potential, research on integrating emotional intelligence into UAVs remains limited. Studies have demonstrated that emotionally intelligent UAVs can improve operator interaction and real-time behavioral adaptation, though many have yet to focus specifically on UAV applications.

In traffic monitoring, contextual awareness is critical. Incorporating factors like traffic density and weather into emotional modeling allows UAVs to make more informed decisions [16], adapting effectively to changing conditions and providing accurate data for traffic management. Emotional feedback loops further optimize UAV performance by enabling real-time adjustments that enhance efficiency and responsiveness [17]. Continuous feedback from operators ensures that UAVs remain aligned with human needs, adapting to dynamic traffic conditions [17].

In summary, integrating emotional intelligence into UAV systems represents a transformative advancement in operational capabilities. Emotional modeling through the PAD framework enables UAVs to interact naturally with operators and adapt dynamically to real-time conditions. This innovation promises significant improvements in the safety and efficiency of urban traffic management, positioning emotionally intelligent UAVs as essential components of future smart cities. Our paper significantly contributes to this field by developing context-aware UAVs that adjust behavior based on factors like traffic density and weather, offering scalable and validated solutions for modern traffic management.

3. Choosing Emotional Models for UAVs.

Table 1 showing comparison of PAD model with other prominent models of emotions. It highlights its unique advantages for future applications in transportation and traffic monitoring. The PAD model represents emotions continuously across three dimensions. This continuity allows UAVs to process a broad range of inputs and various changes in their environment (ex: weather or traffic conditions) and operational data (ex: like battery levels) in real time. Discrete models, on the other hand, limit emotions to specific categories. Moreover, the PAD model is computationally efficient, maintaining high performance without taxing the UAV's processing resources—a key advantage for complex tasks like traffic monitoring. These qualities collectively make the PAD model an excellent framework in our context for embedding emotional intelligence into UAVs, offering versatility, efficiency, and improved operational performance.

Category	Emotional Model	Application in UAVs	Axes
Discrete	Ekman's Basic	Difficult to apply as UAVs. Limited	6 (basic
Emotion	Emotions [18]	flexibility in dynamic scenarios.	emotions)
Models	Plutchik's Wheel of	Challenges in translating to UAV behaviors.	8 (primary
	Emotions [19]	More suited for humanlike systems.	emotions)
Dimensional	PAD Model [12]	Continuous and adaptable emotional states.	3
Models		Suitable for dynamic environments and	
		interactions.	
	Russell's Circumplex	Useful for basic emotional responses. Less	2
	Model [20]	effective for detailed UAV behavior.	2
Cognitive	OCC Model (Ortony,	Good for complex, scenario-based	
Appraisal	Clore, Collins) [21]	interactions. Heavy on computational	Variable
Models		resources for real-time use.	(depends on
	Lazarus's Cognitive-	Useful for understanding complex	appraisals and
	Motivational-	interactions. Suitable for scenarios requiring	motivations)
	Relational [22]	detailed emotional appraisal	

Table 1. Comparison of Emotional Models acc	ording to their su	uitability in applications	in UAVs
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4. Proposed System Architecture

Figure 1: Proposed System for Establishing UAVs Internal State

4.1. Data Collection Layer:

Is a foundational layer that collect a wide array of inputs from multiple sources to ensure the UAV can operate effectively and adaptively. This layer collects data from operational sensors, which monitor the UAV's status, such as battery levels and motor performance, environmental sensors that detect external conditions like weather and obstacles, and mission-oriented sensors tailored for specific tasks like high-resolution imaging or thermal detection. It also gathers contextual information, including the mission's objectives, interactions with humans and other UAVs, and real-time feedback from ground operators. This comprehensive collection of inputs allows the UAV to dynamically adjust its behavior and respond intelligently to changing conditions and mission requirements, enhancing its efficiency and effectiveness in traffic monitoring and other applications.

4.2. Perception Analysis Layer

This central layer processes and interprets the collected data to generate emotional states and moods, which guide the UAV's adaptive behaviors. Utilizing the PAD (Pleasure-Arousal-Dominance) model, it calculates the UAV's current emotional state, continuously updating it to reflect ongoing conditions. The integration of the Ground Operators Feedback Processing Module ensures that real-time operator inputs are analyzed and used to refine the UAV's behavior dynamically. This layer transforms raw data into actionable emotional insights that underpin the UAV's decision-making processes. This layer includes the following module:

4.2.1. Data Normalization Module:

Data normalization is essential to ensure that all inputs are on a comparable scale, facilitating effective integration and analysis. The normalization formula used is:

$$x' = \frac{x - x_{min}}{x_{max} - x_{min}} \tag{1}$$

Where x is the original data value, x' is the normalized value, x_{\min} is the minimum value observed, and x_{\max} is the maximum value observed for that input type.



Figure 2: Flowchart (A) and Pseudocode (B) for Data Normalization

4.2.2. Emotion Generation Module (PAD Model):

Utilizes the PAD (Pleasure, Arousal, Dominance) model to calculate the UAV's current emotional state based on weighted inputs, providing a basis for adaptive responses. It consists of these sub-modules:

- Weighting Factors: The weighting factors are determined through a combination of observed analysis and expert input. Initial weights are assigned based on the relative importance of each input in typical operational scenarios. For example: High traffic density might be assigned a higher weight for Arousal due to its impact on alertness. Low battery levels might be given a higher weight for Pleasure as they can cause operational stress. These weights are then optimized through iterative testing and feedback loops, adjusting them to better reflect the UAV's performance and emotional responses in real-world conditions.
- Weighted Sum Formula: Each PAD dimension (Pleasure, Arousal, Dominance) is computed as a weighted sum of the normalized inputs. The formula used is:

$P = \sum_{i=1}^{n} (w_{P_i} \times \text{normalized})$	l_data _i)	(2)
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$$A = \sum_{i=1}^{n} (w_{A_i} \times \text{normalized}_{data_i})$$
(3)

$$D = \sum_{i=1}^{n} (w_{D_i} \times \text{normalized}_{data_i})$$
(4)

where w_P, w_A, w_D are the weighting factors for the Pleasure, Arousal, and Dominance dimensions, respectively.

• **Optimization Process:** We employ a gradient descent algorithm to fine-tune the weighting factors. This optimization aims to minimize the difference between the UAV's expected and actual performance across various scenarios. The objective function used for optimization is designed to balance the UAV's responsiveness, accuracy, and operational efficiency.



Figure 3: Flowchart (A) and Pseudocode (B) for PAD Calculation

4.2.3. Mood Updater

The Mood Updater module dynamically adjusts the PAD values to reflect the UAV's current emotional state. This involves two mechanisms: pull and push functions.

• **Pull Function:** This mechanism reduces the intensity of emotional responses when the UAV's current mood is excessively positive or negative. It ensures that the UAV remains stable and avoids extreme emotional states, thus maintaining operational reliability. The Pull Function is defined as:

$$P_{\text{new}} = P_{\text{current}} - \alpha \times (P_{\text{current}} - P_{\text{baseline}})$$
(5)

$$A_{\text{new}} = A_{\text{current}} - \alpha \times (A_{\text{current}} - A_{\text{baseline}})$$
(6)

$$D_{\text{new}} = D_{\text{current}} - \alpha \times (D_{\text{current}} - D_{\text{baseline}})$$
(7)

where α is a damping factor, and P_{baseline} , A_{baseline} , and D_{baseline} are baseline values representing neutral states.

Example: If the UAV experiences high arousal due to increased traffic density, the pull function moderates this response to prevent erratic behavior.

• **Push Function:** This mechanism increases the intensity of emotional responses in critical situations, enhancing the UAV's responsiveness. It allows the UAV to react more effectively to urgent conditions. The Push Function is defined as:

$$P_{\text{new}} = P_{\text{current}} + \beta \times \left(P_{\text{target}} - P_{\text{current}} \right)$$
(8)

$$A_{\text{new}} = A_{\text{current}} + \beta \times \left(A_{\text{target}} - A_{\text{current}} \right)$$
(9)

$$D_{\text{new}} = D_{\text{current}} + \beta \times \left(D_{\text{target}} - D_{\text{current}} \right)$$
(10)

where β is an amplification factor, and P_{target} , P_{target} and P_{target} are target values reflecting the desired emotional state in response to critical inputs.

Example: In case of a major traffic incident, the push function amplifies the UAV's alertness and dominance to prioritize monitoring and data collection.

4.2.4. Mood Octant Determination Module

After calculating the updated values for Pleasure, Arousal, and Dominance (PAD), the UAV's emotional state is mapped into a specific mood octant.

This octant represents a unique blend of these three dimensions and defines the UAV's overall mood. The process to determine the mood octant involves three key steps: First, each PAD value is analyzed for its sign—whether it's positive or negative. This combination of signs helps pinpoint the specific mood octant. Second, the intensity of the mood is assessed by measuring the magnitude of the PAD values, indicating how strongly the UAV is experiencing a particular emotional state. Lastly, each mood octant is linked to distinct behavioral patterns that guide the UAV's actions and responses in various operational scenarios. This method allows the UAV to dynamically adapt its behavior to different contexts based on its emotional state.



Figure 4: Flowchart (A) and Pseudocode (B) for Mood Octant Determination

4.2.5. Ground Operators Feedback Processing Module:

Analyzes operator feedback to extract actionable insights, facilitating real-time adjustments to the UAV's behavior based on human inputs.

4.3. Response Layer:

The final layer translates the UAV's emotional states and processed feedback into specific, actionable behaviors. Through the Behavioral Mapping Module, it maps moods to predefined or dynamically adjusted actions. The Behavioral Adaptation Module further fine-tunes these actions based on real-time data and operator feedback, ensuring that the UAV can respond effectively and adaptively to its environment and mission requirements. This layer enables the UAV to execute complex tasks with a high degree of autonomy and situational awareness.

4.3.1. Behavioral Mapping Module:

Maps the UAV's mood to predefined or adaptive behaviors, guiding its actions in alignment with its emotional state and operational context.

4.3.2. Behavioral Adaptation Module:

Fine-tunes the UAV's behaviors based on real-time data and operator feedback, ensuring optimal responsiveness and adaptability during operations.

5. Application Scenario: Real-Time Traffic Monitoring Over the Morning Rush

5.1. Assumed traffic conditions and situations

In this application scenario, we follow a UAV equipped with our proposed emotional intelligence system as it navigates and responds to various conditions during a typical morning rush hour from 8:00 AM to 10:00 AM. Throughout its mission in Clear Skies Day, the UAV navigated through several evolving traffic conditions. Initially, at 8:00 AM, the UAV encountered moderate traffic density with normal vehicle speeds and a temperature of 31°C.

By 8:23 AM, the scenario complicated with a sudden surge in traffic and a minor accident on a main highway, alongside a slight temperature increase to 32°C. The situation escalated further at 9:10 AM with a major multi-vehicle collision on the highway, leading to very high traffic density, also the temperature rise to 33°C. As traffic management and rerouting efforts continued, the density began to decrease by 9:36 AM, even as the temperature climbed to 34°C. Finally, by 10:00 AM, traffic started normalizing with all incidents cleared, though the temperature peaked at 35°C.

5.2. Analysis of Weighting Factors

Factor	Effect on Pleasure (P)	Effect on Arousal (A)	Effect on Dominance (D)	Weighting Values
High Temperature	Reduce P due to operational stress.	Increase A due to the need for vigilance.	Neutral	-0.2 (P) +0.2 (A)
Clear Skies	Increase P as tasks become easier and less stressful.	Neutral	Neutral	+0.2 (P)
Traffic Density	Can reduce P if unmanageable, or increase it if manageable.	Higher traffic density increases A due to more activity.	Can increase or decrease D based on control.	+0.1 to +0.3 (P, A, D)
Vehicle Speed	Higher (normal) speeds increase P.	Slower speeds increase A due to congestion.	Neutral	+0.1 (P), -0.1 (A)
Incidents	Decrease P due to disruptions.	Increase A for immediate attention and response.	Affect D based on the UAV's response effectiveness.	Minor: -0.2 (P), +0.2 (A), +0.1 (D) Major: -0.3 (P), +0.4 (A), -0.3 (D)
Incident Resolution	Increase P as the situation improves.	Neutral	Increase D as control is restored.	+0.2 to +0.3 (P, D)

Table 2: The Weighting Factors used and Their Effects on PAD Values

5.3. Detailed Scenario Application

Table	3:	Situation	Ana	lysis
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Time	8:00 AM	8:23 AM	9:10 AM	9:36 AM	10:00 AM
Situation	Initial Situation: Normal Rush Hour Start	Situation Change 1: Sudden Traffic Surge and Minor Incident	Situation Change 2: Severe traffic congestion due to a major accident	Situation Change 3: Traffic Management and Rerouting Efforts	Final Situation: Return to Normal Conditions

Incidents	None	Minor collision on the highway causing partial lane obstruction.	Major multi- vehicle collision blocking several lanes.	Accident partially cleared, rerouting in effect.	All incidents resolved, traffic normalizing.
Conditions	Typical rush hour starts with moderate congestion and normal speeds.	Sudden increase in traffic and a minor accident.	Severe traffic congestion due to the major accident.	Traffic density decreases as management efforts take effect.	Traffic flow stabilizing, all lanes cleared, and conditions improving

Table 4: Detailed I	puts of the Data	Collection	Layer
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Time	8:00 AM	8:23 AM	9:10 AM	9:36 AM	10:00 AM
Situation	Initial	Situation	Situation Change 2	Situation	Final
Situation	Situation	Change 1	-	Change 3	Situation
		Operat	ional Sensors:		
Battery	90%	85%	80%	75%	70%
UAV Speed	10 km/h	12 km/h	8 km/h	15 km/h	20 km/h
Altitude	120 m	100 m	80 m	100 m	120 m
		Environ	mental Sensors:		
Temperature	31°C	32°C	33°C	34°C	35°C
Weather	Clear skies	Clear skies	Clear skies	Clear skies	Clear skies
		Mission-C	Driented Sensors:		
Traffic	80 veh/km	130 veh/km	150 veh/km	110 veh/km	70 veh/km
Density					
Avg. Speeds	20 km/h	10 km/h	5 km/h	12 km/h	25 km/h
	High-res.	Imagery and	High-res. Imagery	Imagery and	Imagery
Others	imagery	thermal	Thermal Imaging	Traffic Flow	and Data
Sensors:	Thermal	scanning to	3D Mapping	Monitoring	Offloading
5013013.	imaging	assess the			
	3D mapping	accident.			
	Normal rush	Sudden	Major collision	Ongoing	Traffic
	hour starts	traffic surge	resulting in	efforts manage	normal
	with expected	due to minor	significant lane	and reroute	after
Contextual	traffic	collision.	blockage.	efforts.	clearing all
Data:	patterns.	Partially	Emergency services	Gradual	incidents.
	Clear and	obstructed	are responding to	clearance of	
	stable weather	lane.	the incident.	the accident.	
	conditions.				
	Focus on	Prioritize	Focus on the	Monitor	Return to
Operator	high-traffic	monitoring	accident site	rerouted	base
Feedback	areas. Monitor	the accident	Monitor emergency	traffic	Recharge
1 COUDIER	for early	Assess	response	Report on new	battery
	congestion or	impact on	Assess traffic	congestion	Offload
	incidents	traffic	impact	hotspots	data

 Table 5: Implementation on the Perception Layer.

Time	8:00 AM	8:23 AM	9:10 AM	9:36 AM	10:00 AM	
Situation	Initial Situation	Situation	Situation	Situation	Final	
		Change 1	Change 2	Change 3	Situation:	
		Data Norm	alization:			
Traffic Density:	0.4	0.65	0.75	0.55	0.35	
Vehicle Speeds:	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.24	0.5	
Temperature:	0.62	0.64	0.66	0.68	0.7	
Weather	Clear skies	Clear skies	Clear skies	Clear skies	Clear skies	
Conditions:	(ideal): 1.0	(ideal): 1.0	(ideal): 1.0	(ideal): 1.0	(ideal): 1.0	
	Weighting Factors Analysis:					

Traffic Density:	Moderate (0.4)	High (0.5)	Critical (0.7)	Moderate (0.6)	Low (0.4)
Vehicle Speeds:	Normal (0.3)	Reduced (0.3)	Significantly reduced (0.6)	Improving (0.4)	Returning to normal (0.4)
Incident	-	High (0.7)	Critical (0.8)	High (0.7)	High (0.5)
Temperature:	Low (0.1)	Slight rise (0.2)	Further increase (0.3)	Increasing (0.3)	Peak levels (0.5)
PAD Calculations	(P): 0.2 (A): 0.1 (D): 0.3	(P): -0.1 (A): 0.6 (D): 0.1	(P): -0.6 (A): 0.9 (D): -0.3	(P): 0.3 (A): 0.5 (D): 0.2	(P): 0.5 (A): -0.1 (D): 0.4
Resulting Mood	Relaxed and Prepared	Alert and Adaptive	Highly Alert and Focused	Cautiously Optimistic	Calm and controlled

Table 6: Implementation on the Response Layer

8:00 AM	8:23 AM	9:10 AM	9:36 AM	10:00 AM
Initial Situation	Change 1	Change 2	Change 3	Final Situation:
Behaviors Mapping	g:			
Routine traffic monitoring. Focus on potential areas of congestion.	Adjust monitoring to focus on the minor accident. Evaluate traffic congestion and provide real-time data.	Prioritize detailed monitoring of the accident site. Provide live data and assistance to emergency services.	Focus on monitoring rerouted traffic. Ensure smooth flow, identify new congestion hotspots.	Return to base for data offloading and battery recharge. Confirm normalization of traffic conditions.
Behaviors Adaptati	ion:			
Maintain steady altitude (120 m) and speed (10 km/h). Provide live feeds and traffic data to the traffic management center.	Adjust flight path to lower altitude (100 m) and slightly increase speed (12 km/h). Capture detailed imagery of the accident site. Suggest detours to manage congestion around the accident area.	Hover over the accident site at a lower altitude (80 m) to provide detailed coverage. Reduce speed to 8 km/h for stable monitoring. Provide live feeds and situational updates to emergency services and traffic management. Identify and communicate alternative routes to alleviate traffic	Increase speed to 15 km/h, altitude to 100 m (broader area coverage). Provide feedback on the success of rerouting and the status of incident clearance. Communicate improving conditions to traffic management and emergency responders. Maintain readiness to respond to any	Return to base while maintaining situational awareness. Monitor for any last-minute issues. Transmit collected data for analysis. Provide final reports and insights to traffic management centers regarding the morning's events.

5.4. Insights

In this scenario, the UAV's emotional intelligence system shone through by dynamically adjusting its behavior to real-time traffic conditions and incidents. Its ability to adapt using the PAD model was vital for maintaining smooth operations despite evolving challenges. Ensuring robust failover systems and optimal health minimized stress and maximized control, while clear communication and some autonomy allowed the UAV to respond effectively. By considering a wide range of environmental and contextual factors, the UAV navigated complex situations with nuanced precision. This approach highlights how integrating emotional intelligence into UAVs can revolutionize traffic monitoring and management in bustling urban environments.

6. Discussion

6.1. The potential benefits of the proposed solutions

Our proposed system for emotionally responsive UAVs offers a groundbreaking approach to traffic management, enhancing interaction, decision-making, and overall efficiency. These UAVs can communicate more effectively with human operators, especially in complex situations, by using high arousal and dominance levels to highlight critical areas that need attention. This leads to better situational awareness and coordinated action. Additionally, the UAVs' ability to dynamically adjust their emotional state means they can adapt to changing conditions, such as fluctuating traffic density, by shifting their mood to maintain optimal alertness and control, thus ensuring they adjust their patrols for the best coverage. By simulating emotional responses, these UAVs can also prioritize tasks and allocate resources to high-risk areas, enhancing safety and efficiency. This holistic and adaptive approach not only improves immediate traffic flow and reduces delays but also supports long-term planning and decision-making. Ultimately, our system positions UAVs as essential tools in smart city infrastructure, paving the way for safer, more efficient, and responsive urban mobility.

6.2. Limitations and Implementation Challenges

Integrating emotional intelligence into UAV systems for traffic monitoring presents promising advancements, yet it faces notable limitations and challenges. The complexity of the PAD model demands an extensive sensor network and significant computational power, potentially making widespread adoption both difficult and costly. The system's efficacy depends on the precision and promptness of sensor data, where any inaccuracies or delays can hinder the UAV's adaptive responses, reducing traffic management effectiveness. Privacy and security concerns also arise as UAVs gather and transmit real-time data, risking public privacy breaches or cyber-attacks. Implementing this sophisticated system in diverse urban environments is further complicated by varying traffic patterns, infrastructure, and regulatory demands, necessitating system adaptability and robust communication capabilities. Consistent performance across different weather conditions and coordination among multiple stakeholders are critical for the successful deployment of these emotionally intelligent UAVs, ensuring their effective contribution to urban traffic flow.

7. Conclusion and future work

Embedding emotions into UAVs using the PAD model offers a novel approach to enhancing autonomous behavior and interaction capabilities in transportation and traffic monitoring. The inclusion of the PAD model allows UAVs to dynamically adjust their emotional states in response to real-time conditions, improving their performance in various scenarios. Future research will focus on refining the weighting factors used in PAD calculations, improving the accuracy of contextual inputs, and expanding the range of emotional responses to cover a broader array of operational scenarios.

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