

# Man arrested after multi-vehicle crash in Tempe

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TEMPE, AZ (KPHO/KTVK) - A 20-year-old man is facing several felonies after allegedly causing five vehicles to crash in Tempe Wednesday evening.

Tempe police say Ismael Acosta admitted to smoking marijuana before the accident.

Acosta was reportedly driving a 2014 Chevrolet Camaro west on University Drive near Perry Lane around 5 p.m. when his vehicle collided with the rear of a westbound 2014 Honda Accord.

Police said the Accord, driven by a 64-year-old man, rotated and collided with an eastbound 2010 Dodge Charger. The Charger, which had been stopped in the two-way left turn lane waiting to merge, then collided with a 2007 Toyota Scion to its right.

Police said a 2005 Chevrolet Malibu, which was traveling west on University Drive, collided with a power pole after the driver tried to avoid the accident scene.

The driver of the Accord was listed in stable condition at a local hospital Thursday afternoon, police said.

Acosta was booked into Tempe City Jail and released. He is facing one felony count of aggravated assault and seven felony counts of endangerment.