

REVIEW OF LUNG NODULES IDENTIFICATION RULES EXTRACTION WITH NEURAL FUZZY NETWORK

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ABSTRACT

Image processing is widely used in various medical areas to perform image improvement in detection and treatment at early stages of diseases, particularly in several cancers and tumors such as breast cancer, lung cancer, etc. The image segmentation sometimes generates wrong outcomes that result in false detection of probable cancerous sections from the background images. Lung cancer is one of most severe and widespread cancer in the world. Therefore, the early detection and treatment of lung cancer are important to avoid advanced stages of cancer and death. This paper focuses on the methods and techniques used by other authors for Image segmentation of different types of images. This paper introduces the concept of Image processing and its various techniques, from which Image segmentation is used to segment the images in order identify the patterns from the images.

Index Terms: *Image processing, Image segmentation, Neural Network, Image Enhancement, lungs.*

I. INTRODUCTION

Lung cancer is the most severe disease in the world. The death rate because of lung cancer is high as compared to all other types of cancers. Lung cancer has smallest possibility of survival after diagnosis and results into high death rates every year. If the symptoms of lung cancer can be detected at an early stage, then it can be treated with high chances of survival.

Lung cancer is divided into two categories which are: non-small cell and small-cell lung cancer. Nowadays, Computed Tomography is considered as the most effective technique to detect and diagnose the lung cancer. However, many types of research are focusing on the Image processing techniques for detecting the cancerous lung sections from the images.

The cancerous lung sections can be detected using various image segmentation and image enhancement techniques of image processing. [16]

1.1. Image Processing

Image processing is a method which performs many operations on an image to get the improved image with the help of various techniques of processing. It is a type of motion processing in which we input an image and output may come out with features connected with that image. It uses mathematical operations to create the features and other optimistic things in image processing. Most of the image processing techniques involve individual color planes and two-dimensional signals which help to create the techniques in them. It is also done

by some other technique of three-dimensional signals which lie on Z-axis, and it is applicable in optical and analog image processing techniques. [5]

Image processing includes and lies upon following three steps-

- It imports the image with the help of optical scanner which is done in digital photography.
- It also helps to analyze and deploying the images which mainly includes data compression and other recognizing patterns in the satellite photographs.
- The last step of image processing is the result which comes out by altering the image which is based on image investigation.

1.2. Insights into image processing

Image processing is mainly used to convert the normal pictures into digital images. It is done with the techniques of processing in which image is analyzed and manipulated properly. The acquisition of images is basically done on the capturing images of something or object. [16]

The image processing also converts the image into digitalization mode. It is only possible with the help of computer devices. Digitalization operation can be done with the help of a scanner or by a video camera. The first step in image processing is to digitalize the image and then in the next step image processing will be executed to the imaging procedure. [16]

1.3. Image processing is divided into following categories-

- Image Acquisition
- Image enhancement
- Image segmentation
- Image measurement
- Image compression

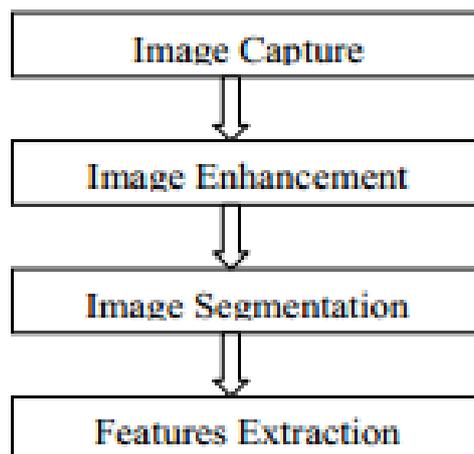


Figure 1: Stages of Image Processing

There are various techniques in which image processing will be applied to images. The first one is image compression it is the simplest way and easily used by users. It is mainly used to reduce the size of the image so that it takes fewer storage data to save in the computer system. Sometimes, we want to send the images to other users, but due to their vast size, they cover lots of space. So, image compression will be used for this purpose.

The second one is image enhancement techniques which are used to detect the mistakes in the images and corrected it with the help of digitalization. The measurement extraction will be used to obtain the necessary information from the image. The last technique of image processing is image segmentation which helps to change the depiction of an image into meaning full information which is easy to analyze by the user. It also sets the image boundaries and objects in the image processing techniques. [16] Below images are some examples of image enhancement and image measurement. The examples describe the procurement of image in gray scale which means the pixel in the image lies up to 0 to 255. The 0 mainly represents the black pixel, and 255 represents the white pixel. It also helps to convert the black and white images into color images.

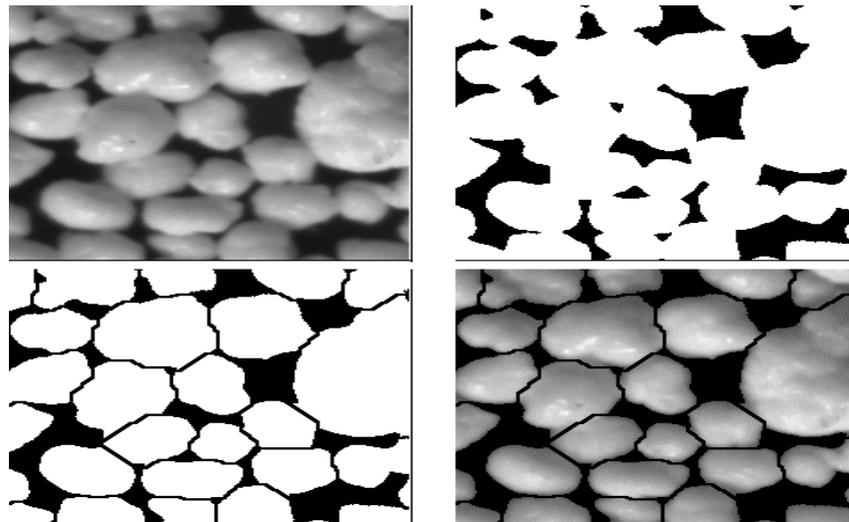


Figure 2: Example of Image Processing

The above images represent the numerous examples of image processing categories in which the images can be categorized according to the needs and requirements.

1.4. Purpose of Image Processing

The main purpose of image processing is explained below:

- The image processing is used for the visualization. It helps to visualize that objects which are not visible in the image.
- It creates the new features in the image to develop into better quality by the improving and renovation of image.
- It also helps to recover the images.
- The image processing helps to measure the pattern to fully optimize the images.
- It also helps to distinguish the images according to their size and pattern.

1.5. Types of Image Processing

There are two types of the methods which are used in the image processing. The first one is analog and second one is digital image processing. The analog method of image processing is used on the hard copies of images like printouts and photographs. Image analyst used several types of clarification techniques to visualize the images. The image processing is the valuable tool in which various techniques of visualization is used, so the analyst applies their skills and the personal knowledge to conduct the images according to their pattern and size. [16] On the other hand, the digital processing technique is helped in handling digital images in the computer. It

helps to manage the raw data from sensors of the satellite which sometimes contains many absences. So, to get out from these problems, it should undergo through various processes of digital imaging. It mainly uses three digital techniques which are pre-processing, improvement and display information abstraction.[4]

1.6. Applications of Image Processing

There are many applications which are processed under digital image processing:

- Remote sensing
- Medical field
- Image refining and renovation
- Transmission and encrypting of images.
- Video and audio processing
- Minuscule imaging
- Machine robot vision
- Color image processing
- Pattern appreciation
- Others

1.7. Image Processing Techniques

Image refining and renovation

Image refining and renovation technique help to process the images into high quality of pictures which are basically captured from modern cameras. It helps to manipulate the images into their desired results. The image refining is done with the help of Photoshop in which various features have been processed to create the high definition images. It mainly includes Zooming, blurring, and sharpening of pictures. It converts the gray scale images into color images by detecting edges and pattern in the processing technique.

Medical field

The image processing is also done in the medical field.

- It is used in the X-ray imaging
- In Gamma ray imaging
- Medical CT – Scan process to operate the body functions
- PET scanning
- UV imaging

Remote Sensing

The image processing technique is also applicable in the remote sensing of various objects like to scan the parameter of the earth. It is done with the help of satellite which obtains the necessary information to be used in further proceedings of optimization. The main use of remote sensing is to detect the damages in the substructure of the earth due to the occurrence of an earthquake. It is a very beneficial and time-consuming technique which helps to examine the damages that are not possible by the human eye. [16]

Transmission and Encoding

The transmission of the image is done with the wire. The picture which is sent from this technique is shown below:



Figure 3: Took three hours to reach its destination.

But now in the modern generation, there are many techniques have been discovered like the live video and CCTV footage which sends the picture from one place to other within a few seconds. This technique is mainly focused on transmission and encoding into various formats. It helps to encode the high-low bandwidth photos so that it can be easily shared on the internet.

II. LITERATURE REVIEW

Li Zhang described an automated method to quantify and segment the volume of cystoid macular edema (CME) with the help of macular hole (MH) for abnormal retina used in 3D OCT images. In this proposed framework, there are three parts such as a) preprocessing which also includes flattening, MH, denoising, intraretinal layers segmentation and vessel silhouettes exclusion; b) coarse segmentation which includes AdaBoost classifier that is used for the constrained and seeds area for the Graph Cut; c) and last one is fine segmentation which includes the algorithm of graph cut that helps in refining the segmentation results. Automated method evaluated the 3D OCT images from the 18 different patients with MH and CMEs. From the results, it was concluded that for the CME volume segmentation, the accuracy rate (ACC), false positive volume fraction (FPVF), and positive volume fraction (TPVF) are 99.7%, 1.7%, and 84.6% respectively. [1]

De Oliveira, J.P.S presented the segmentation of the infrared images which is a new technology used to detect the breast diseases in early stages. In the first stage of cancer, it promotes the process of the vascularization in the affected area that modifies the local temperature and increasing the blood flow in the human body. The infrared radiations that are emitted by the human body can be captured with the help of athermal camera which is used for measuring the temperature of the human body and shows the results in the form of an image. With thermography, suspicious regions can be detected in the patients of any age and also in the cases of the dense breast in which detection of abnormality cannot be accomplished by another method. Thermal images are also used in the development of computer-aided diagnosis (CAD) systems which allow the executions of exams with the help of techniques that follow the proper protocols and routines which already occur in the exam of mammography. Mammography is used for the analysis by the doctors. In this paper, automatic detection of the regions of interest (ROI) is compared with the performed segmentation which provides a methodology used for automatic segmentation of the thermal images of the lateral breast. Various ground truth was generated for the evaluation of results on the internet that allows verification of the correct results. At last, the results of the proposed method for 328 images was used, and the result shows the average value of accuracy. [2]

Ayas, S. demonstrated about microscopic image segmentation which is based on Firefly Algorithm for the detection of the Tuberculosis Bacteria. Now, a day's one-third of the world is infected by the tuberculosis

diseases which is diagnosed by the laboratory technicians. In the method of the microscopy diagnosis including hand-eye control, the misdiagnosis rate is too high. In the microscopic imaging, the diseases were diagnosed with the help of computer-aided automatic diagnosis method. In the automatic diagnosis method, the robustness is depending on accurate segmentation of the microscopic images. Image segmentation method was used to solve the various problems by identifying a special solution. Firefly algorithm which is based on the swarm intelligence used in microscopic imaging to segment the images. An optimal threshold value in the proposed method was used to determine the grey-level microscopic images which are based on the Firefly algorithm. With the help of the optimal threshold value, the microscopic images were converted to the binary format. At last, the results of the segmentation were compared with the result of expert-guided segmentation, and it was concluded from the results that performance ratio of segmentation is 96% which was obtained from the Firefly algorithm that is based on swarm intelligence. [3]

Garg, N presented the segmentation which is based on the histogram method used in the image contrast enhancement. Histogram equalization method was used to process the digital images for image enhancement and normalization. But they do not give the true result always. So, in this research, segmented histogram technique was used for contrast enhancement of images by scaling the discrete wavelet transform coefficient. Its advantage is that they preserve the color consistency to improve the contrast of the images. This method also reduced the contaminated noise in the images with the help of wavelet shrinkage adaptively. Image contrast enhancement was based on the wavelet transform that is simple and computational efficient because these estimations are performed in the form of compressed wavelet domain and estimated coefficients which are scaled linearly. The proposed technique was used to improve the local and global contrast of images. They gave the better enhancement of the visual quality; Absolute mean brightness error, peak signal to noise ratio, entropy and standard deviation value as compared to the PME technique. [4]

Banerjee developed a gray level image thresholding with the help of Particle Swarm Optimization Algorithm. Using Bilevel Kapur's entropy function, the images were segmented which were maximized by PSO. Various entropy functions were used for the process of segmentation. In this research, the threshold values were verified with the help of histogram of the test images and observed the visual representation. Image segmentation method was used to understand the system of the image that divided the image into multiple disjoint regions which are based on the homogeneity. Image segmentation technique is highly problem-specific and used to decrease the complexity of the problem. The main objective of this research was to find the optimized threshold value for the image segmentation with the help of particle swarm optimization algorithm. [5]

Arun, G implemented the split classification method which was used to detect the presence of Haemorrhage used to screen the diabetic retinopathy in the color fundus image. Diabetes is the main reason for the blindness in the older age of any human community. Advance level of diabetes also leads to the retinal hemorrhage which was detected by the Splat Feature Segmentation with maximum accuracy and efficiency. This method divided the image into different segments which covered the entire retinal image. These types of segments were denoted by splats. Each of the split used to establish the set of the information to extract the appropriate boundary. There are many methods used to detect the presence of the Haemorrhage, but it gives 40% of the false detection around the world. Splat classification method grouped the pixels with the same color intensity and the spatial

area which resulted in less error. Splat classification method basically used to detect the presence of the Haemorrhage which is based on the pixel distribution on the retinal images. [6]

M. Airaksinen estimated the noise robust of the voice source with the help of the deep neural network. In the process of the analysis of the speech production, the information regarding voice source was obtained non-invasively by glottal inverse filtering methods. The current state-of-the-art glottal inverse filtering methods were able to produce the high-quality estimates in the suitable conditions such as low noise, but their performance in the non-ideal conditions deteriorated because there is a need for the noise-sensitive parameter. In this research, an approach was developed for robust noise estimation of the voice source which created a mapping with the help of deep neural network with the features of robust of low-level and the desired reference. With the help of the GIF method, a time-domain glottal flow was computed. The result concluded that the proposed method outperforms the QCP method with SNRs i.e. less than 50-20 Db, but in the IAIF method, there were very low SNRs. [7]

K. A. Farouk introduced an artificial neural network meta model for systems in series with buffers under the imperfect repair. Reliability and availability are deteriorated as the number of components increases. For which redundancy is used in order to remove such type of problems. Line production and liquid supply chains provide the buffers between the components of the system as economical solution which eliminate the problem of availability and reliability from the system of multi-components which are connected in the series. The rated capacity of the components can be enhanced by the sufficient margin which provide the buffers with necessary and sufficient qualities in order to keep the system uninterrupted in case of the failure of the components. Simulations models are used in such types of models but they are very slow when they are used in optimal allocation for components maintainability and reliability. For such types of optimal problems, an artificial neural network is used due to its fast output and capability of modelling the non-linear model. [8]

M. J. Evangeline explained the method for segmentation which was used in the 2D MRI acquisitions of kidney images. This type of the segmentation promotes the times course of a voxel in and out of the kidney. From the result, it was found that this segmentation driven has the great potential DCEMRI model which driven the segmentation of the kidney. Magnetic Resonance Imaging of kidney needs proper segmentation and correction to enable the estimation of glomerular filtration rate with the help of pharmacokinetic modeling. Pharmacokinetic and segmentation modeling are applied sequentially as the separate processing model. A 2D segmentation model was used to demonstrate the model in the numerical experiment which is used to normalize gradient and Mahalanobis distance from the time course of the segmented regions for supervised segmentation. This resulted in the correction of the kidney images. [9]

D. W. Shattuck presented a three-stage sequence of the technique which was used to classify and identify the brain tissues in T1-weighted MRI of the human head. It removed the non-brain tissues with the help of anisotropic diffusion filtering, mathematical morphology, and edge detection. This method was used in the low-levels and provided the information at the voxel level related to the contents of the image of the tissue. The method was also validated with the real human data, and it was concluded that it outperformed on the several methods. [10]

D. H. Laidlaw presented the new algorithm that identified the distribution the various material types in the volumetric datasets which were produced with the compound tomography or magnetic resonance imaging. They

allowed the mixtures of materials which treat the voxels as the regions and this technique decreased the errors as compared to the other techniques which created along the boundaries between the materials and used for creating the accurate model of geometric. They have the potential to measure the volume more accurately a classifies the low-resolution and noisy data. In this research, two methods were used.. The distribution was represented with the help of the histogram over the region of the voxel. The chosen size was matched to the space of the samples because space is related to the minimum feature size which represented the reconstructed continuous function. [11]

D. L. Collins designed and constructed the realistic digital brain phantom. After the implementation and conception of the medical image processing algorithm, it is essential to ensure all the requirement set which are forth at the initial stage of design. A comprehensive validate the simulated data which are evaluated on the real data to establish the ground truth with the help of vivo data. the experiments which are performed on the simulated data control the evaluation over a wide range of conditions such as intensity artifacts, the level of noise, contrast, and geometric distortion. Parallel pipe and ellipsoids do not reflect the complexity of brain anatomy. So, they present the high-resolution, realistic, and digital phantom of the human brain which is made up of ten volumetric data sets which define the spatial distribution of the various tissues in which the voxel intensity is directly proportional to the fraction of tissue with the voxel. [12]

V. M. Catterson investigated about artificial neural networks for the automated diagnosis of the defects which causes partial discharge. This research discussed the use of the deep neural networks for diagnosis of PD data. The data was captured from the defect samples in oil with the help of UHF sample. The effects on the rectified linear unit activation function and diagnosis of a number of the layers have been explored in this research. From the results, it was found that the accuracy of the diagnosis is increased to 86% from 72% as compared to shallow networks with sigmoid activation function. [13]

B. Cunha described modeling techniques in scheduling system with the help of artificial neural network in three steps. In the first step, the method established the information capture techniques and the database design to clear which information classify the user. Then, the mathematical structure was constructed which classified the users such as Bayes networks. Network training allowed the system to create the precision classifications for its users. In the final step, way to use the classification was decided by the mathematical classifier. [14]

D. Chakraborty described the error minimizing method with the help of conventional back propagation algorithm which is used for training feed-forward neural network that suffers from problems such as local minima trap and slow convergence. In this research, gradient-free optimization was used for the error minimization that avoids the local minima. For this, they introduced the concept of hybrid algorithm integration and biology-inspired flower pollination algorithm. The gravitational search algorithm is a meta-heuristic optimization and based on the Newtonian law of gravity, and the mass interaction whereas flower pollination algorithm is based on the pollination characteristics of flower plant. The results showed that that hybrid FP-GSA outperforms for GSA and FPA has better outperforms training in FNNs. [15]

III. FINDINGS

The table below summarizes the methods and techniques used by previous authors for Image Segmentation. It also describes the results obtained from each method used.

Author	Determine	Method/Tech nique	Results
N. Garg, A. Angra, P. Sengar (2015)	Image Enhancement using Scaling the Discrete Wavelet coefficients	Segmented Histogram Equalization	Improve the local and global contrast of images. Better enhancement of the visual quality, Absolute mean brightness error, peak signal to noise ratio, entropy, and standard deviation.
S. Banerjee, N.D. Jana (2015)	Searched the optimized threshold value for Image Segmentation	Bilevel Kapur's entropy function and Swarm Optimization Algorithm	Develops a gray level image thresholding.Reduced complexity of the problem
Arun, N Sasirekha (2015)	Detection of Retinal Hemorrhage in Color Fundus Image	Splat Feature Segmentation	Detected the presence of the Hemorrhage
M. Airaksinen, T. Raitio, P. Alku (2015)	Noise Robust Estimation of the voice source	Deep Neural Network	Time-domain glottal flow was computed
K. A. Farouk, M. Younes, M.N. Fors (2015)	Determine the output parameters of the artificial neural network as the meta model	Nonlinear Regression	The adequacy of the ANN evidenced thehigh values of the coefficient of determination i.e.R2 >94% indeterming bo and R2 > 97%
M.J.Evangelin,L.P .Suresh (2015)	Segmentation of 2D MRIacquisitio ns for kidney image	Pharmacokine tic modelling	Segmentation driven has great potential DCEMRI model which driven the segmentation of the kidney

D. W. Shattuck, et al. (2001)	A three-stage sequence of techniques for identifying and classifying the brain tissues	Partial Volume Model	Used in the low-levels. Provided the information at the voxel level related to the contents of the image of the tissue
D. H. Laidlaw, et al. (1998)	Partial-Volume Bayesian Classification of Material Mixtures in MR Volume Data	Voxel Histograms	Decreased the errors as compared to the other techniques used for creating the accurate model of geometric
D. L. Collins, et al. (1998)	Design and Construction of a Realistic Digital Brain Phantom	Three-dimensional digital brain phantom	Used to drive simulators for different modalities, Test intramodality registration algorithms
V. M. Catterson, B. Sheng (2015)	Use of deep neural networks for PD diagnosis	Artificial neural networks	Improved in speech and image recognition tasks.
B. Cunha, A. Madureira, J. P. Pereira (2015)	Scheduling System with Artificial Neural Networks	User Modeling	Presents developers with multiple options to advantage of various technologies to model their users
D. Chakraborty, S. Saha, S. Maity (2015)	Gradient free optimization	Hybrid FP-GSA	outperforms for GSA and FPA has better outperforms training in FNNs.

IV. CONCLUSION

This paper provides a brief insight into Image processing and its various techniques. We discussed various methods and techniques of Image processing which are used for performing segmentation on images. For this purpose, previous researches were analyzed to select the best and suitable technique for segmentation of images of lung cancer. In this paper, we observed that direct segmentation might not work appropriately on background

images to detect the cancerous section. Therefore, it is required to propose a new segmentation method to segment the probable cancerous section accurately.

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