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Assignment Report

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Overview

This assignment includes three parts-

1. Image Registration

2. Information Extraction

3. MCQ Answer Sheet Evaluation

Image Registration:

In this section, an input image is aligned with a reference image. At first, key points are found in both images, and they are matched against each other to find the relation between their positions. At last, geometric transformation is done on

the input image to align it with reference image.

Information Extraction:

Different types of information are extracted from input image like name, batch, mobile, test date, roll number and test id. These are obtained by performing OCR (optical character recognition) on input image. OCR is a machine learning based image processing technique which can recognize alphabets, digits, special characters etc. in a document. Here, Google's Tesseract-OCR Engine is used, which is a widely used open-source OCR Engine. To reduce the number of errors, pre-processing (grayscale, thresholding, noise removal, increase contrast) the

input image and post-filtering the output is necessary.

MCQ Answer Sheet Evaluation:

In mcq answer sheet, options (circles) are detected with HoughCircles function and then marked circles are detected by counting the number of black pixel inside the circles. Later, marked options are matched against a given answer list and

marks are given.

Language: Python

Library: OpenCV

Platform: Google Colab

Assignment GitHub Link:

https://github.com/AhmedMunim/Image-registration-OCR-OMR

Phase 1: Image Registration

Steps at a glance:

- 1.1 Read and display template and input image
- **1.2** Find key points in both image
- 1.3 Match key points in both image
- **1.4** Find homography
- 1.5 Warp input image according to homography and display output

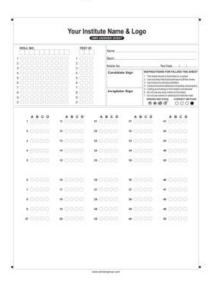
Step 1.1: Read and display template and input image

```
# Read reference image
ref_image_path = "/content/reference_form.jpeg"
print("Reading reference image:", ref_image_path)
im1 = cv2.imread(ref_image_path)
im1 = cv2.cvtColor(im1, cv2.COLOR_BGR2RGB)

# Read image to be aligned
input_imagee_path = "/content/test15.jpg"
print("Reading image to align:", input_imagee_path)
im2 = cv2.imread(input_imagee_path)
im2 = cv2.cvtColor(im2, cv2.COLOR_BGR2RGB)

# Display Images
plt.figure(figsize=[10, 5]);
plt.subplot(121); plt.axis('off'); plt.imshow(im1); plt.title("Original Form")
plt.subplot(122); plt.axis('off'); plt.imshow(im2); plt.title("Scanned Form")
```

Original Form



Scanned Form



Step 1.2: Find key points in both image

2000 key points will be created in each image.

```
im1 gray = cv2.cvtColor(im1, cv2.COLOR RGB2GRAY)
im2 gray = cv2.cvtColor(im2, cv2.COLOR RGB2GRAY)
MAX NUM FEATURES = 2000
orb = cv2.ORB create(MAX NUM FEATURES)
keypoints1, descriptors1 = orb.detectAndCompute(im1 gray, None)
keypoints2, descriptors2 = orb.detectAndCompute(im2 gray, None)
im1_display = cv2.drawKeypoints(im1, keypoints1, outImage=np.array([]),
                                color=(255, 0, 0),
flags=cv2.DRAW MATCHES FLAGS DRAW RICH KEYPOINTS)
im2 display = cv2.drawKeypoints(im2, keypoints2, outImage=np.array([]),
                                color=(255, 0, 0),
flags=cv2.DRAW MATCHES FLAGS DRAW RICH KEYPOINTS)
plt.figure(figsize=[20,10])
plt.subplot(121); plt.axis('off'); plt.imshow(im1_display);
plt.title("Original Form");
plt.subplot(122); plt.axis('off'); plt.imshow(im2 display);
plt.title("Scanned Form");
```

Original Form



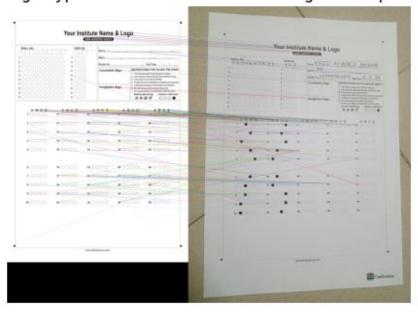
Scanned Form



Step 1.3: Match key points in both image

```
# Match features.
matcher =
cv2.DescriptorMatcher_create(cv2.DESCRIPTOR_MATCHER_BRUTEFORCE_HAMMING)
# Converting to list for sorting as tuples are immutable objects.
matches = list(matcher.match(descriptors1, descriptors2, None))
# Sort matches by score
matches.sort(key=lambda x: x.distance, reverse=False)
# Remove not so good matches
numGoodMatches = int(len(matches) * 0.1)
matches = matches[:numGoodMatches]
# Draw top matches
im_matches = cv2.drawMatches(im1, keypoints1, im2, keypoints2, matches,
None)
# Display Step 3 result
plt.figure(figsize=[8, 4])
plt.imshow(im_matches);plt.axis("off");plt.title("Matching keypoints between reference image and input image")
```

Matching keypoints between reference image and input image



Step 1.4: Find Homography

```
# Extract location of good matches
points1 = np.zeros((len(matches), 2), dtype=np.float32)
points2 = np.zeros((len(matches), 2), dtype=np.float32)

for i, match in enumerate(matches):
    points1[i, :] = keypoints1[match.queryIdx].pt
    points2[i, :] = keypoints2[match.trainIdx].pt

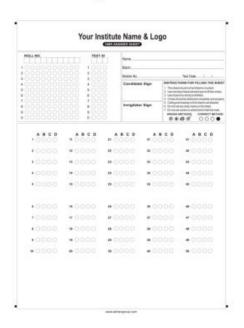
# Find homography
h, mask = cv2.findHomography(points2, points1, cv2.RANSAC)
```

Step 1.5: Warp input image according to homography and display output

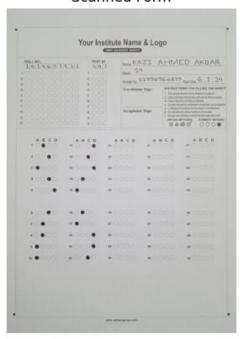
```
# Use homography to warp image
height, width, channels = im1.shape
im2_reg = cv2.warpPerspective(im2, h, (width, height))
reg_image_path = "/content/registered_form.jpg"
cv2.imwrite(reg_image_path, im2_reg)

# Display results
plt.figure(figsize=[10, 5])
plt.subplot(121);plt.imshow(im1); plt.axis("off");plt.title("Original Form")
plt.subplot(122);plt.imshow(im2_reg);plt.axis("off");plt.title("Scanned Form")
```

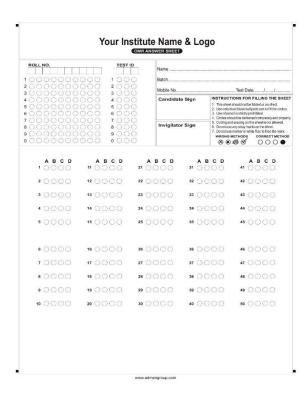
Original Form



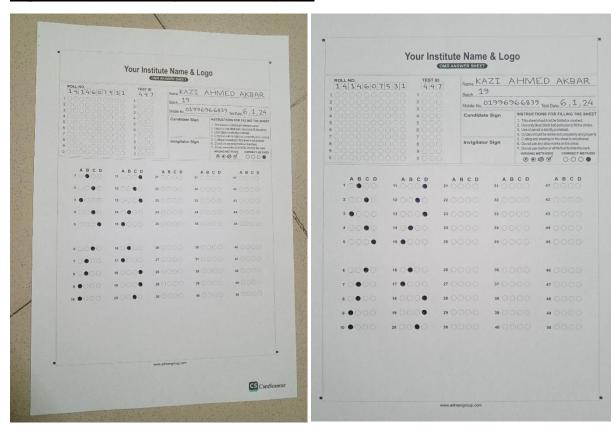
Scanned Form



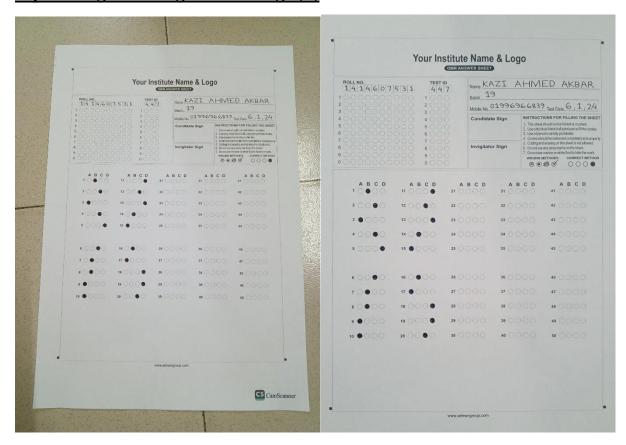
Reference Image:



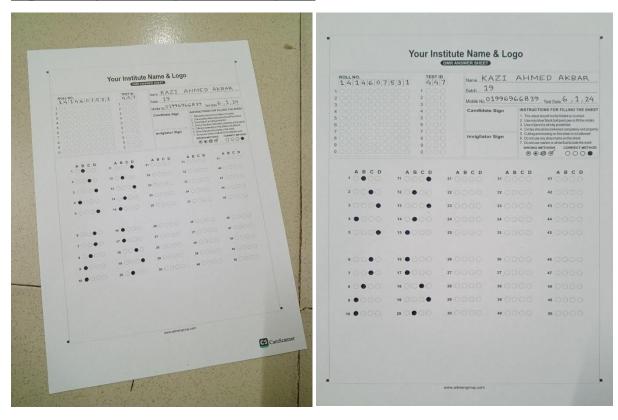
Input Image and Registered Image (1)



Input Image and Registered Image (2)



Input Image and Registered Image (3)



Phase 2: Information Extraction

Steps at a glance

- **2.1** Selecting different ROI (region of interest)
- **2.2** Defining necessary functions
- **2.3** Image Pre-processing (Grayscale)
- **2.4** Image Pre-processing (Threshold)
- **2.5** Image Pre-processing (Noise Removal)
- **2.6** Image Pre-processing (Increase contrast)
- **2.7** OCR

Step 2.1: Selecting Different ROIs

I have defined some area in the registered image where OCR will be performed. These values are obtained by studying the reference image. This step is necessary since performing OCR on the whole document will give undesired output.

```
import matplotlib.image as mpimg

def define_and_save_roi(image_path, x, y, width, height, output_path):
    # Read the image
    img = cv2.imread(image_path)

# Extract the region of interest (ROI) based on the specified

coordinates and dimensions
    roi = img[y:y+height, x:x+width]

# Save the defined area to the specified output directory
    cv2.imwrite(output_path, roi)

# Provide the path to your image file, the coordinates of the upper-
left corner pixel,
# width, height, and the output directory
image_path = "/content/registered_form.jpg"

# Name field
name_path = "/content/name.jpg"
define_and_save_roi(image_path, 1350, 550, 995, 65, name_path)
name_roi = mpimg.imread(name_path)
```

```
batch path = "/content/batch.jpg"
define and save roi(image path, 1344, 630, 1006, 77, batch path)
batch roi = mpimg.imread(batch path)
# Mobile field
mobile path = "/content/mobile.jpg"
define_and_save_roi(image_path, 1410, 730, 475, 75, mobile_path)
mobile roi = mpimg.imread(mobile path)
test date path = "/content/test date.jpg"
define and save roi(image path, 2048, 725, 308, 75, test date path)
test date roi = mpimg.imread(test date path)
roll path = "/content/roll.jpg"
define and save roi(image path, 180, 580, 620, 75, roll path)
roll roi = mpimg.imread(roll path)
# Test ID field
test id path = "/content/test id.jpg"
define and save roi(image path, 906, 580, 200, 75, test id path)
test id roi = mpimg.imread(test id path)
# Display different roi
plt.figure(figsize=[12,2])
me")
plt.subplot(232);plt.imshow(batch roi);plt.axis("off");plt.title("Batch
plt.subplot(233);plt.imshow(mobile roi); plt.axis("off");plt.title("
Mobile")
plt.subplot(234);plt.imshow(test date roi); plt.axis("off");plt.titl
e("Test Date")
11")
plt.subplot(236);plt.imshow(test id roi);
                                       plt.axis("off");plt.title(
                                                    Mobile
                              Batch
        Name
```

Name Batch

KAZI AHMED AKBAR 19

Test Date Roll

1414607531

01996966839 Test ID

Step 2.2: Defining necessary functions

Grayscale: Converts color (BGR) image to grayscale image.

Binary: Performs a threshold operation to produce a binary image.

Noise Removal: Removes undesired noise.

Thick Font: Increase contrast.

Digit Recognition: Performs OCR and everything except digits are filtered out.

Text Recognition: Performs OCR and everything except English letters are filtered out.

```
def grayscale(image):
    return cv2.cvtColor(image, cv2.COLOR BGR2GRAY)
def binary(image):
    thresh, image bw = cv2.threshold(image, 127, 255,
cv2.THRESH BINARY)
    return(image bw)
def noise removal(image):
    import numpy as np
    kernel = np.ones((2,2), np.uint8)
    image = cv2.dilate(image, kernel, iterations=1)
    kernel = np.ones((1,1), np.uint8)
    image = cv2.erode(image, kernel, iterations=1)
    image = cv2.morphologyEx(image, cv2.MORPH CLOSE, kernel)
    image = cv2.medianBlur(image, 3)
    return (image)
def thick font(image):
   import numpy as np
    image = cv2.bitwise not(image)
    kernel = np.ones((2,2),np.uint8)
    image = cv2.dilate(image, kernel, iterations=1)
    image = cv2.bitwise not(image)
    return (image)
def digit recognition(img):
    import string
    contours, = cv2.findContours(img, cv2.RETR EXTERNAL,
cv2.CHAIN APPROX SIMPLE)
   contours = sorted(contours, key=lambda x: cv2.boundingRect(x)[0])
```

```
recognized text = ""
    allowed characters = string.digits
    for contour in contours:
            x, y, w, h = cv2.boundingRect(contour)
            min contour height = 40
            if w >= min contour width and h >= min contour height:
                digit roi = img[y:y+h, x:x+w]
                digit text = pytesseract.image to string(digit roi,
config='--psm 10 --oem 3')
                digit text = ''.join(filter(lambda char: char in
allowed characters, digit text))
                recognized text += digit text.strip()
    return recognized text
def text_recognition(img):
    import string
    contours, = cv2.findContours(img, cv2.RETR EXTERNAL,
cv2.CHAIN APPROX SIMPLE)
    contours = sorted(contours, key=lambda x: cv2.boundingRect(x)[0])
    recognized text = ""
    allowed characters = string.ascii letters + ".- ()"
    for contour in contours:
            x, y, w, h = cv2.boundingRect(contour)
            min contour height = 40
```

```
# Check if the contour meets the minimum width and height
criteria

if w >= min_contour_width and h >= min_contour_height:
    # Extract the digit using the bounding box
    digit_roi = img[y:y+h, x:x+w]

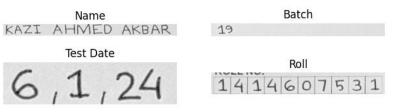
# Perform OCR using pytesseract
    digit_text = pytesseract.image_to_string(digit_roi,
config='--psm 10 --oem 3')

# Clean up OCR result (keep only digits)
    digit_text = ''.join(filter(lambda char: char in
allowed_characters, digit_text))

# Append recognized digit to the result
recognized_text += digit_text.strip()
```

Step 2.3: Image Pre-processing (Grayscale)

```
name gray = grayscale(name roi)
batch gray = grayscale(batch roi)
mobile gray = grayscale(mobile roi)
test_date_gray = grayscale(test_date_roi)
roll gray = grayscale(roll roi)
test id gray = grayscale(test id roi)
plt.figure(figsize=[12,2])
plt.subplot(231);plt.imshow(name gray, cmap =
          plt.axis("off");plt.title("Name")
plt.subplot(232);plt.imshow(batch gray, cmap =
'gray');plt.axis("off");plt.title("Batch")
plt.subplot(233);plt.imshow(mobile gray, cmap =
'gray'); plt.axis("off");plt.title("Mobile")
plt.subplot(234);plt.imshow(test date gray, cmap =
'gray'); plt.axis("off");plt.title("Test Date")
plt.subplot(235);plt.imshow(roll gray, cmap =
          plt.axis("off");plt.title("Roll")
plt.subplot(236);plt.imshow(test id gray, cmap =
'gray'); plt.axis("off");plt.title("Test ID")
```





Step 2.4: Image Pre-Processing (Threshold)

```
name bw = binary(name gray)
batch bw = binary(batch gray)
mobile bw = binary(mobile gray)
test date bw = binary(test date gray)
roll bw = binary(roll gray)
test id bw = binary(test id gray)
plt.figure(figsize=[12,2])
plt.subplot(231);plt.imshow(name bw, cmap =
          plt.axis("off");plt.title("Name")
plt.subplot(232);plt.imshow(batch bw, cmap =
'gray');plt.axis("off");plt.title("Batch")
plt.subplot(233);plt.imshow(mobile bw, cmap =
'gray'); plt.axis("off");plt.title("Mobile")
plt.subplot(234);plt.imshow(test date bw, cmap =
'gray'); plt.axis("off");plt.title("Test Date")
plt.subplot(235);plt.imshow(roll bw, cmap =
'gray'); plt.axis("off");plt.title("Roll")
plt.subplot(236);plt.imshow(test id bw, cmap =
'gray'); plt.axis("off");plt.title("Test ID")
```

```
Name
KAZI AHMED AKBAR

Test Date

Roll

A 1 1 2 4 1 4 6 0 7 5 3 1 4 4 7
```

Step 2.5: Image Pre-processing (Noise Removal)

```
name_noise_removed = noise_removal(name_bw)
batch_noise_removed = noise_removal(batch_bw)
mobile_noise_removed = noise_removal(mobile_bw)
test_date_noise_removed = noise_removal(test_date_bw)
roll_noise_removed = noise_removal(roll_bw)
test_id_noise_removed = noise_removal(test_id_bw)

# Display different roi
plt.figure(figsize=[12,2])
plt.subplot(231);plt.imshow(name_noise_removed, cmap =
'gray'); plt.axis("off");plt.title("Name")
plt.subplot(232);plt.imshow(batch_noise_removed, cmap =
'gray');plt.axis("off");plt.title("Batch")
plt.subplot(233);plt.imshow(mobile_noise_removed, cmap =
'gray'); plt.axis("off");plt.title("Mobile")
plt.subplot(234);plt.imshow(test_date_noise_removed, cmap =
'gray'); plt.axis("off");plt.title("Test_Date")
```

```
plt.subplot(235);plt.imshow(roll_noise_removed, cmap =
'gray'); plt.axis("off");plt.title("Roll")
plt.subplot(236);plt.imshow(test_id_noise_removed, cmap =
'gray'); plt.axis("off");plt.title("Test ID")

Name
RAZI AHMED AKBAR

19

Roll

Test Date

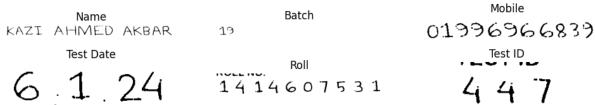
Roll

14 14 6 0 7 5 3 1

4 4 7
```

Step 2.6: Image Pre-processing (Increase contrast)

```
name dilated = thick font(name noise removed)
batch dilated = thick font(batch noise removed)
mobile dilated = thick font(mobile noise removed)
test date dilated = thick font(test date noise removed)
roll dilated = thick font(roll noise removed)
test id dilated = thick font(test id noise removed)
plt.figure(figsize=[12,2])
plt.subplot(231);plt.imshow(name dilated, cmap =
'gray'); plt.axis("off");plt.title("Name")
plt.subplot(232);plt.imshow(batch dilated, cmap =
'gray');plt.axis("off");plt.title("Batch")
plt.subplot(233);plt.imshow(mobile dilated, cmap =
'gray'); plt.axis("off");plt.title("Mobile")
plt.subplot(234);plt.imshow(test date dilated, cmap =
'gray'); plt.axis("off");plt.title("Test Date")
plt.subplot(235);plt.imshow(roll dilated, cmap =
'gray'); plt.axis("off");plt.title("Roll")
plt.subplot(236);plt.imshow(test id dilated, cmap =
'gray'); plt.axis("off");plt.title("Test ID")
```



Step 2.7 : OCR

```
name = text_recognition(name_dilated)
batch = digit_recognition(batch_dilated)
mobile = digit_recognition(mobile_dilated)
test_day = test_date_dilated[:,:82]
test_month = test_date_dilated[:, 102:168]
test_year = test_date_dilated[:, 186:]
```

```
day = digit_recognition(test_day)
month = digit_recognition(test_month)
year = digit_recognition(test_year)
roll = digit_recognition(roll_dilated)
test_id = digit_recognition(test_id_dilated)
print("Name:", name)
print("Batch:", batch)
print("Mobile:", mobile)
print("Test Date:",day,"-",month,"-",year)
print("Roll:",roll)
print("Test ID:",test_id)
```

Output (Input Image 1)

Name: KAZI AKIMED AKBAR
Batch: 19
Mobile: 01996966339
Test Date: 6 - 1 - 24
Roll: 1414607531
Test ID: 447

Results are quite accurate. Batch, test date, roll and test id result match with actual data. There is one mistake in 'Name' field, where the program detected 'AKIMED' while accurate value is 'AHMED'. Another mistake is 9th digit of mobile number is detected as 3 instead of 8.

Output (Input Image 2)

Name: KAZT AHMED AKBAR
Batch: 19
Mobile: 01996966339
Test Date: 6 - 4 - 24
Roll: 1414607531
Test ID: 447

Batch, mobile, roll and test id are accurate. In 'Name' field, 'KAZT' is detected instead of 'KAZI'. One other mistake is month of test date is detected as 4 instead of 1. Another mistake is 9th digit of mobile number is detected as 3 instead of 8.

Output (Input Image 3)

Name: KAZI AHMED AKBAR

Batch: 19

Mobile: 01996966839 Test Date: 6 - 4 - 24 Roll: 4414607531

Test ID: 447

Name, batch, mobile and test id results are correct. There is one common mistake- month of test date and 1st digit of roll are detected as 4 instead of 1.

Observation:

Although the program has correctly detected most of the information, there is still some errors. The reason behind is that my handwriting does not perfectly match with printed text or the handwritten text dataset on which Tesseract-OCR engine was trained. Better angle, light and high-resolution image will likely reduce this problem.

Phase 3: MCQ Answer Sheet Evaluation

Steps at a glance

- **3.1** Selecting Different ROIs
- **3.2** Defining necessary functions
- **3.3** Defining actual answers
- **3.4** Detecting the circles and drawing rectangular contour around them
- **3.5** Sorting the contours top to bottom and then defining every 4 contour as 4 option of a single mcq
- **3.6** Deteting marked circles and matching them with actual answers
- 3.7 Print obtained mark and display actual answers on top of mcq answer sheet

Step 3.1 : Selecting Different ROIs

```
import matplotlib.image as mpimg

def define_and_save_roi(image_path, x, y, width, height, output_path):
    # Read the image
    img = cv2.imread(image_path)

    # Extract the region of interest (ROI) based on the specified

coordinates and dimensions
    roi = img[y:y+height, x:x+width]

    # Save the defined area to the specified output directory
    cv2.imwrite(output_path, roi)

# Provide the path to your image file, the coordinates of the upper-
left corner pixel,
# width, height, and the output directory
    image_path = "/content/registered_form.jpg"

# MCQ box 1 field
mcq_1_path = "/content/mcq_1.jpg"
define_and_save_roi(image_path, 295, 1442, 265, 1290, mcq_1_path)
mcq_1_roi = mpimg.imread(mcq_1_path)

# MCQ box 2 field
mcq_2_path = "/content/mcq_2.jpg"
define_and_save_roi(image_path, 720, 1442, 265, 1290, mcq_2_path)
mcq_2_roi = mpimg.imread(mcq_2_path)
```

```
mcq_column_path = [mcq_1_path, mcq_2_path]
plt.figure(figsize=[5,10])
plt.subplot(121);plt.imshow(mcq_1_roi); plt.axis('off'); plt.title("MCQ
plt.subplot(122);plt.imshow(mcq_2_roi); plt.axis('off'); plt.title("MCQ
```

MCQ Box 1





Step 3.2: Defining Necessary Functions

Group into lists: Converts a list into nested list

Is_marked: Checks if a circle is marked or not (by calculating black pixel percentage inside that area)

```
def group_into_lists(lst, group_size):
    return [lst[i:i + group_size] for i in range(0, len(lst),
group_size)]

def is_marked(image, x, y, width, height):
    # Extract the region of interest (ROI)
    roi = image[y:y+height, x:x+width]

# Calculate total pixels, white pixels, black pixels
    total_pixels = roi.size
    white_pixels = cv2.countNonZero(roi)
    white_percentage = (white_pixels/total_pixels)*100

# Adjust the threshold based on your image characteristics
    threshold_percentage = 70

# Check if the percentage of edge pixels exceeds the threshold
    return white_percentage > threshold_percentage
```

Step 3.3: Defining Actual Answers

```
answer_column_1 = [1,2,1,2,3,2,1,1,0,0]
answer_column_2 = [3,3,3,1,0,3,0,3,3,2]
answer_sheet = [answer_column_1, answer_column_2]
```

Here, 20 mcq questions are answered. They are organized in two column- (1-10) and (11-20). Their answers are written in two different list.

Step 3.4, 3.5, 3.6, 3.7

```
correct = 0 # Initialize the correct counter outside the loop
plt.figure(figsize=(6, 8))

for c, mcq_column in enumerate(mcq_column_path):
    # Read the image
    image = cv2.imread(mcq_column)
    img = image.copy()
```

```
answers = answer sheet[c]
  gray = cv2.cvtColor(image, cv2.COLOR BGR2GRAY)
  , thresh = cv2.threshold(gray, 170, 255, cv2.THRESH BINARY INV)
 blurred = cv2.GaussianBlur(gray, (5, 5), 0)
 circles = cv2.HoughCircles(
   blurred, cv2.HOUGH GRADIENT, dp=1, minDist=50, param1=50,
param2=30, minRadius=10, maxRadius=100)
  circles = np.round(circles[0, :]).astype("int")
 print(f"Checking MCQ Column {c+1}")
 rectangles = []
  for (x, y, r) in circles:
       x1, y1 = x - r, y - r
       cv2.rectangle(image, (x1, y1), (x2, y2), (0, 255, 0), 4)
       rectangles.append((x1, y1, 2*r, 2*r))
  rectangles = sorted(rectangles, key=lambda rect: rect[1])
  rows = group into lists(rectangles, 4)
  for i, row in enumerate(rows):
   row = sorted(row, key=lambda rect: rect[0])
   sorted row.append(row)
  correct figure = []
   p, q, r, s = sorted_row[m][n]
   correct figure.append((p, q, r, s))
```

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for (x, y, w, h) in correct figure:
    cv2.rectangle(img, (x, y), (x+w, y+h), (0, 255, 0), 4)
  for index, row in enumerate(sorted row):
    answer = answers[index] # read the answer for each quextion
    flag = 0
    choice = 0
    for i, r in enumerate(row):
      (x, y, w, h) = r
      if is marked (thresh, x, y, w, h):
        flag = flag + 1
        choice = i
    if flag == 1:
      if choice == answer:
        correct = correct + 1
       p, q , r, s = sorted row[index][choice]
        cv2.rectangle(img, (p, q), (p+r, q+s), (0, 0, 255), 4)
 plt.subplot(1, 2, c+1)
 plt.imshow(cv2.cvtColor(img, cv2.COLOR BGR2RGB))
 plt.title(f'MCQ Box {c+1}')
 plt.axis('off')
print(f"Marks: {correct}/20")
```

Output (Input Image 1)

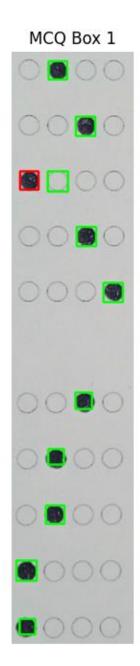
```
Checking MCQ Column 1
Checking MCQ Column 2
Marks: 17/20
```

17 questions are answered correct, 3 are wrong. So scored mark is 17.

From the figure below, we get the same result.

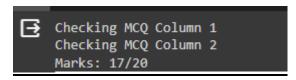
Green border means correct answer.

Red border means incorrect answer

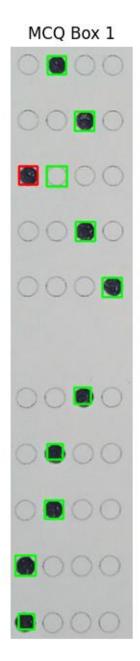




Output (Input Image 2)



Marked options were same as first input image. So obtained marks is same.





Output (Input Image 3)

Checking MCQ Column 1 Checking MCQ Column 2 Marks: 13/20

Here, 13 answers are correct and 7 answers are incorrect. Following image also shows the same result.





I have been able to evaluate the answer sheet with 100% accuracy.

Conclusion

Information extraction with OCR is a little bit difficult and some errors were found in output. However, image registration and mcq evaluation has been done successfully.