

Ideation Phase

Define the Problem Statements

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Project Name	Project - Detecting Parkinson's Disease Using Machine Learning
Maximum Marks	2 Marks

Problem Statement:

More than 10 million people are living with Parkinson's Disease worldwide, according to the Parkinson's Foundation. While Parkinson's cannot be cured, early detection along with proper medication can significantly improve symptoms and quality of life.

The researchers found that the drawing speed was slower and the pen pressure is lower among Parkinson's patients. One of the indications of Parkinson's is tremors and rigidity in the muscles, making it difficult to draw smooth spirals and waves. It is possible to detect Parkinson's disease using the drawings alone instead of measuring the speed and pressure of the pen on paper. Our goal is to quantify the visual appearance (using HOG method) of these drawings and then train a machine learning model to classify them. In this project, we are using, Histogram of Oriented Gradients (HOG) image descriptor along with a Random Forest classifier to automatically detect Parkinson's disease in hand-drawn images of spirals and waves.

