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ABSTRACT

Smart attendance tracking systems have emerged as a crucial technological advancement to address the inefficiencies and inaccuracies associated with traditional manual attendance methods. Conventional systems often rely on human intervention for monitoring and record-keeping, which can lead to delays, manipulation, and errors in attendance management. This project focuses on the design and development of a prototype **smart attendance system** that autonomously recognizes and records individuals' presence using face recognition, thereby enhancing accuracy and minimizing human intervention.

The proposed system employs a webcam or camera module to capture facial images, which are then processed in real-time using **OpenCV and face recognition libraries**. The captured data is analyzed to identify individuals based on pre-registered face datasets, and attendance is automatically recorded in a structured format. This integration showcases key principles of computer vision, real-time image processing, and machine learning, all of which are fundamental to intelligent automation systems.

Key objectives of this project include achieving high face detection accuracy, reducing attendance marking latency, and ensuring system reliability under various lighting and environmental conditions. The system presents a cost-effective and scalable solution to attendance management by utilizing open-source tools and widely available hardware, without compromising on performance or usability. While this prototype focuses on face recognition using OpenCV, its modular architecture allows for future enhancements such as emotion detection, mask detection, and integration with cloud databases for remote access and analytics.

This project also highlights the broader implications of incorporating AI-powered systems into everyday administrative processes. It addresses not only the technical challenges but also the ethical and privacy considerations involved in biometric data handling.

In addition to its technical contributions, the project also emphasizes user experience and ease of deployment, ensuring that institutions with limited resources can adopt and benefit from such technology. By providing a streamlined and intuitive interface for administrators, along with secure data handling practices, the system offers a practical solution for modern attendance management challenges, paving the way for smarter, more accountable organizational operations.

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INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND OF THE PROJECT

1.1 Introduction:

In recent years, smart attendance tracking systems have become increasingly relevant due to their potential to enhance operational efficiency and accuracy in institutional and organizational environments. As the demand for reliable and real-time attendance monitoring continues to grow, traditional attendance systems often fall short in providing the precision and convenience required in modern educational and professional settings. These conventional systems rely heavily on manual entry and human oversight, which can be time-consuming, error-prone, and susceptible to manipulation, especially when dealing with large groups. This growing need for improved record-keeping and accountability has driven the development of automated solutions capable of operating with minimal human intervention.

A smart attendance tracking system seeks to address the limitations of traditional approaches by autonomously identifying and recording the presence of individuals using advanced identification technologies. This project leverages face recognition technology powered by OpenCV and Python to detect and recognize individuals in real-time from a live camera feed. By replacing manual and card-based systems with automated facial recognition, the system aims to ensure consistent and accurate attendance logging with minimal latency. The use of computer vision algorithms enables non-intrusive, contactless identification, enhancing both convenience and hygiene.

The significance of smart attendance systems lies in their wide range of practical applications. In educational institutions, they ensure timely and accurate tracking of student attendance, reducing administrative workload and improving overall classroom management. In workplaces, they help monitor employee punctuality and maintain transparent attendance records for payroll and performance evaluation. In high-security environments, these systems offer reliable access control and ensure compliance with institutional policies.

This project focuses on designing and developing a smart attendance tracking system using a webcam, OpenCV library, and a face recognition module. The system captures live video, detects faces using Haar cascades or deep learning-based models, and compares them with a pre-registered dataset to identify individuals. Once a match is found, the attendance is automatically logged and

stored in a structured file format. The project emphasizes building a reliable, user-friendly, and cost-effective solution that ensures accurate recognition, minimal response latency, and consistent performance across varying lighting and environmental conditions.

This prototype not only highlights the potential of facial recognition-based automation in attendance systems but also serves as a foundation for more advanced applications that can transform administrative processes in education, corporate management, and public services. With further enhancements like cloud integration, real-time notifications, and emotion or mask detection, the system holds promise for scalable and intelligent attendance solutions in the future.

1.2 Background:

The concept of autonomous identification and attendance logging has its foundations in the interconnected disciplines of computer vision, artificial intelligence, and real-time data processing. These technologies have been increasingly utilized to improve the speed, accuracy, and transparency of administrative processes, especially in settings where manual tracking is inefficient, error-prone, or vulnerable to manipulation. Automation in attendance systems aims to reduce human intervention, thereby minimizing errors, preventing proxy attendance, and ensuring timely and accurate record-keeping. With continuous advancements in fields like facial recognition, machine learning, and open-source frameworks, the development of smart attendance tracking systems using face recognition has become both practical and highly effective.

Modern smart attendance systems utilize identification technologies such as facial recognition, fingerprint scanning, RFID, and QR code scanning to verify and record individual presence. In this project, a face recognition-based tracking system is implemented to automatically detect and recognize individuals in real-time using a webcam feed. The system is built using the OpenCV library and the Python face recognition module, which handle image capture, face detection, and face comparison tasks. When a match is found with the stored dataset of known faces, the system logs the person's attendance and stores it in a structured format (e.g., CSV file or database). This approach eliminates the need for physical cards or contact-based methods, offering a hygienic and user-friendly alternative.

By integrating these components, the project demonstrates the principles of software-driven automation, real-time image processing, and seamless data logging, key elements in designing an

effective autonomous attendance solution. The developed prototype reflects a low-cost, efficient approach to digital attendance tracking, emphasizing accuracy, reliability, ease of use, and consistent performance under varied lighting and environmental conditions.

One of the critical challenges addressed by smart attendance systems is the scalability of operations. As institutions grow, managing attendance data manually becomes increasingly impractical. The ability of automated systems to handle large volumes of data and process multiple face matches simultaneously ensures that performance does not degrade with scale. Furthermore, the modular architecture of such systems allows them to be easily integrated into larger administrative or security infrastructures, enabling seamless interoperability and centralized monitoring.

Data privacy and security are also central to the design of smart attendance tracking systems. The collection and storage of biometric data, particularly facial features, require adherence to ethical standards and data protection laws. In this project, careful attention is given to secure data handling, including the encryption of stored facial encodings and restricted access to attendance records. These practices ensure that the system not only complies with privacy regulations but also builds user trust in the technology.

To support adaptability and long-term sustainability, the system is designed with flexibility in mind. It can be customized to meet the specific needs of different user groups by adjusting parameters such as recognition thresholds, attendance policies, and alert configurations. In future iterations, enhancements like multi-camera support, liveness detection to prevent spoofing, and multilingual interface options can be incorporated. Such flexibility allows the smart attendance tracking system to evolve with emerging requirements, making it a robust and forward-compatible solution.

Furthermore, the findings from this project create a strong foundation for future innovations such as cloud-based data storage, live attendance dashboards, integration with institutional databases (e.g., academic or HR systems), mobile app connectivity, and AI-driven features like behavior or emotion detection. These enhancements make the system suitable for broader deployment in educational institutions, corporate offices, secure facilities, and public events, contributing significantly to smarter and more efficient administrative ecosystems.

CHAPTER 2

LITERATURE SURVEY

2.1 Introduction:

Smart attendance tracking systems have become increasingly important in modern educational and workplace environments due to the rising demand for accurate, efficient, and tamper-proof attendance monitoring. This section reviews current research and technological advancements in smart attendance, emphasizing facial recognition systems, computer vision, and AI-based automation while briefly comparing traditional and other biometric alternatives.

• Traditional Attendance Systems and Their Limitations

Manual attendance methods, such as roll calls and sign-in sheets, are still widely used but often prone to human error, proxy attendance, and inefficiency. Researchers have highlighted these systems' drawbacks, including the time required for logging, lack of real-time access to data, and vulnerability to manipulation. These challenges have driven a shift toward automated and intelligent attendance tracking solutions.

• Biometric-Based Attendance Systems

Biometric systems using fingerprint, iris, or palm recognition have been researched extensively for their accuracy and non-transferability. Although these methods help reduce proxy attendance, they pose hygiene concerns, particularly in the post-COVID-19 era, and can be affected by environmental factors such as skin moisture, dirt, or physical damage to the biometric area.

• Facial Recognition Technology in Attendance Systems

Facial recognition presents a contactless and user-friendly alternative, making it highly suitable for environments that require minimal physical interaction. Researchers have used OpenCV and deep learning models to create systems capable of detecting and recognizing faces in real time. Such systems achieve high accuracy under favorable lighting conditions and proper camera placement. However, challenges remain regarding consistent recognition in varying environments and addressing privacy concerns related to image storage and biometric data.

• OpenCV and Python-Based Solutions

Several studies have implemented OpenCV with Python to build real-time face detection and recognition models. These frameworks offer flexibility, cost-effectiveness, and open-source accessibility, making them ideal for prototyping and educational purposes. Integration with facial recognition libraries like face_recognition has enabled accurate identification with minimal training data, making these systems scalable and easy to deploy.

• IoT and Cloud-Based Integration

Researchers have explored integrating facial recognition with IoT devices and cloud databases for real-time logging and remote access. Such systems allow educational administrators or employers to access live attendance data from any location. Cloud platforms like Firebase or Google Sheets have been used to maintain structured logs, enabling scalable multi-location deployment.

• Machine Learning for Behavior Analytics

Beyond recognition, machine learning algorithms have been used to analyze attendance patterns, predict absenteeism, and detect anomalies. Techniques like Support Vector Machines (SVMs), K-Nearest Neighbors (KNN), and Decision Trees have been applied for behavior prediction and personalized alerts, enhancing administrative decision-making.

• Energy-Efficient and Low-Cost Implementations

In cost-sensitive environments, lightweight and efficient designs using components like Raspberry Pi or low-power embedded processors have been developed. Some projects have implemented solar-powered or offline-capable systems for rural and remote schools. These prototypes prove that smart attendance systems can be made accessible without compromising performance.

• Ethical and Privacy Considerations

As facial recognition deals with personal and sensitive data, privacy is a key concern. Research emphasizes the need for secure storage, encrypted transmission, and compliance with privacy laws like GDPR and India's PDP Bill. Consent-based data collection, anonymization, and user awareness are essential for ethical deployment.

• Scalability and Centralized Monitoring

Facial recognition systems are being adapted for multi-campus or multi-branch organizations, with centralized dashboards and cloud-based synchronization. This enables administrators to manage attendance records across locations, standardize reporting, and enforce institution-wide policies effectively.

• Applications and Future Trends

Facial recognition-based attendance systems are already being implemented in schools, colleges, offices, and public facilities. Future trends include integration with AI-driven analytics, edge computing, and blockchain for secure data handling, as well as using computer vision to track emotion, engagement, or behavioral cues for advanced educational insights.

2.2 Summary

The literature highlights significant advancements in computer vision, real-time image processing, facial recognition, and automation, which form the foundation for the development of this smart attendance tracking system. While the current prototype leverages established technologies like OpenCV, Haar cascades, and pre-trained facial recognition models for accurate and efficient performance, future iterations can benefit from incorporating deep learning-based recognition, improved camera hardware, and cloud-based processing for scalability and robustness.

By building on previous research, this project demonstrates the potential of creating cost-effective, contactless, and autonomous attendance systems. Key improvements such as more accurate face-matching algorithms, lighting-independent recognition models, and enhanced data encryption can further strengthen the reliability and security of future systems.

In conclusion, insights from existing research provide a solid foundation for developing an intelligent, real-time, and contactless attendance tracking system. By leveraging proven methodologies while addressing current shortcomings, this project successfully showcases the feasibility of a scalable and reliable facial recognition-based attendance solution, contributing to the ongoing transformation of administrative processes through automation.

CHAPTER 3

METHODOLOGY

3.1 Problem Statement

Traditional attendance tracking methods continue to present a range of inefficiencies and vulnerabilities, particularly in academic institutions and corporate environments. Manual roll calls, paper-based registers, and even semi-digital solutions like RFID cards or QR codes are still widely used but offer limited reliability and security. These systems are often labor-intensive, subject to human error, and prone to manipulation. Common issues include proxy attendance, inaccurate data entries, and delays in data processing, all of which can undermine the integrity of institutional record-keeping and resource planning.

Moreover, these conventional approaches often fail to scale effectively with large populations or dynamic attendance needs. For example, in a university with hundreds of students per class, taking roll manually or verifying each individual through a card system becomes not only time-consuming but also disruptive to the learning process. In workplace settings, similar drawbacks affect employee accountability and productivity tracking. These shortcomings highlight the urgent need for a more intelligent and automated attendance management solution.

The core objective of this project is to develop a Smart Attendance Tracking System that leverages facial recognition technology to automate the process of identifying and marking individuals' attendance. By utilizing computer vision tools such as OpenCV and the face recognition library in Python, the system aims to detect and recognize faces in real-time through a webcam or surveillance feed, then accurately match them to a pre-registered database to log attendance entries. This eliminates the need for physical contact or manual logging, thereby enhancing both security and efficiency.

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- **Automated and Accurate Attendance Marking:**

To eliminate human intervention, the system will automatically detect faces and match them with a stored dataset, ensuring that attendance is captured promptly and correctly.

- **Minimizing Proxy and False Recognition:**

The face recognition algorithm is optimized to distinguish between similar-looking individuals and prevent spoofing or impersonation. Robust feature extraction ensures consistent recognition despite changes in lighting, facial expressions, camera angles, or partial occlusions.

• Real-Time Processing and Logging:

The solution is designed to operate in real-time, capable of processing video streams and recording attendance data instantly using lightweight databases like SQLite or more scalable solutions like MySQL. Python and data-handling libraries such as Pandas are used to manage, store, and analyze attendance logs efficiently.

• User-Friendliness and Integration:

A simple and intuitive interface is provided for both users and administrators. The system supports easy registration of new users, real-time feedback, and options to export reports. It is also adaptable for integration into existing institutional platforms such as Learning Management Systems (LMS) or Human Resource Management Systems (HRMS).

Additionally, this system is built with scalability and flexibility in mind. Whether used in classrooms, corporate offices, or secure access zones, the system performs reliably under diverse operational conditions. It accounts for environmental variations, such as inconsistent lighting, busy backgrounds, and user movement, using advanced image preprocessing and deep learning models to maintain recognition performance.

The long-term vision for this project includes the integration of cloud storage, mobile app access, and advanced analytics, such as behavioural pattern recognition or emotion analysis. These features would further enhance the system's capability to support modern, data-driven institutions and contribute to smarter, more secure administrative ecosystems.

By addressing the limitations of outdated attendance systems and introducing an intelligent, secure, and automated alternative, this project aims to modernize attendance tracking, boost operational transparency, and significantly reduce administrative overhead.

Furthermore, the system's modular design allows for seamless integration with existing institutional platforms, ensuring adaptability and future scalability. As digital infrastructure becomes increasingly central to organizational success, such a solution not only enhances user experience but also reinforces data integrity and compliance with modern standards. By leveraging the power of IoT and AI, the project envisions a future where attendance systems are no longer a burden but a strategic asset driving smarter operations.

3.2 Data Collection

The first step in the development of the smart attendance tracking system was data collection. Facial images of all registered users were captured using a webcam or external camera. Multiple images were taken for each individual to account for variations in facial expressions, lighting conditions, and angles. These images were labeled and stored in a structured format, forming the base dataset for training the recognition model.

3.3 Image Preprocessing

To prepare the images for accurate recognition, preprocessing techniques were applied. Each image was converted to grayscale to simplify computation, and histogram equalization was used to enhance contrast. The face region was cropped, resized to a standard size, and denoised using Gaussian blur when necessary. These steps helped to normalize the input and improve feature extraction.

3.4 Face Detection

Real-time face detection was achieved using two techniques: Haar Cascade Classifier and a DNN (Deep Neural Network)-based face detector from OpenCV. The Haar Cascade classifier provided a fast and lightweight method for detecting frontal faces, while the DNN-based approach offered better accuracy and robustness, particularly under diverse lighting and pose variations.

3.5 Feature Extraction and Face Recognition

After detecting a face, feature extraction was carried out using either the LBPH (Local Binary Pattern Histogram) method or a CNN-based deep learning model. LBPH is a classical algorithm that works well in low-resource environments, extracting local texture features. Alternatively, deep learning models such as FaceNet generate high-dimensional facial embeddings that provide higher accuracy in face recognition. A client-server model was used where the webcam feed acted as the client input and the backend recognition engine processed and logged the data on the server.

3.6 Database Matching

The extracted features from the detected face were then compared with the stored facial data in a database. Using similarity measures such as Euclidean distance or cosine similarity, the system

identified the individual if the match surpassed a set confidence threshold. The system avoided duplication by checking the last recorded time to ensure a user was not marked twice within a short interval.

3.7 Real-Time Attendance Logging

Once an individual was identified, their attendance was marked by recording their ID along with the current date and time in a secure backend database. This data could be stored in local databases like SQLite or MySQL, and optionally pushed to cloud storage for remote access. A user interface was developed to visualize logs, export reports, and monitor attendance in real time.

3.8 Security and Error Handling

To ensure system security and reliability, encryption was used to protect user data and restrict access to administrative functions. Measures were taken to reduce false positives and negatives, including confidence threshold tuning and optional re-verification. Only authorized personnel could add or remove users from the system, ensuring privacy and integrity.

3.9 System Architecture

The system architecture was designed following a modular approach to facilitate development, testing, and future scalability. The core modules included data acquisition, preprocessing, face detection, recognition, and database management. Each module was implemented as an independent function or service, allowing easy updates or replacements without disrupting the entire workflow.

3.10 Testing and Validation

The system was tested across multiple environments, including different lighting conditions, background settings, and camera types. Validation metrics such as recognition accuracy, false acceptance rate (FAR), and false rejection rate (FRR) were evaluated. Controlled experiments were conducted to determine optimal threshold values and assess the system’s robustness to common challenges like occlusions, partial faces, and user movement.

3.11 System Workflow Diagram

The flowchart outlines the detailed process of a smart attendance system that uses facial recognition to automate attendance marking. The system begins by initializing and checking if the camera is functioning correctly. If the camera is not working, the process terminates or prompts the user with an error. If it is working, the system moves on to display a main menu with several options: Capture, Train, Recognize, and Quit. Depending on the user's choice, different functions are triggered.

If the user selects the Capture option, the camera is activated to capture images of a person's face, which are then saved into a structured dataset. This dataset will be used for training the facial recognition model. If the Train option is chosen, the system uses these stored images to train a model using the LBPH (Local Binary Patterns Histograms) algorithm, which is known for its effectiveness in facial recognition tasks. Once training is complete, the model is saved for later use during the recognition phase.

Choosing the Recognize option starts the camera again, this time to detect and recognize faces in real-time. The system checks if the detected face matches any face in the trained model. If a match is found, the system logs the attendance with the individual’s details such as name, ID, and timestamp. If no match is found, the system either skips the entry or notifies the administrator for further action. Finally, selecting the Quit option ends the system process. This flow ensures an efficient, modular, and user-friendly attendance mechanism, with potential for enhancements such as mobile integration, cloud storage, and multi-user detection.

Finally, the Quit option exits the system, ending the process. This structured flow ensures a user-friendly and efficient mechanism for automating attendance through facial recognition, allowing for scalability and integration with other modules.

This flowchart efficiently represents a modular and interactive system for capturing, training, and recognizing faces for attendance marking. It ensures a user-friendly process where each part of the pipeline from image input to data logging is handled systematically. The architecture also allows for easy scaling and integration with other features such as mobile apps, cloud databases, or security enhancements.

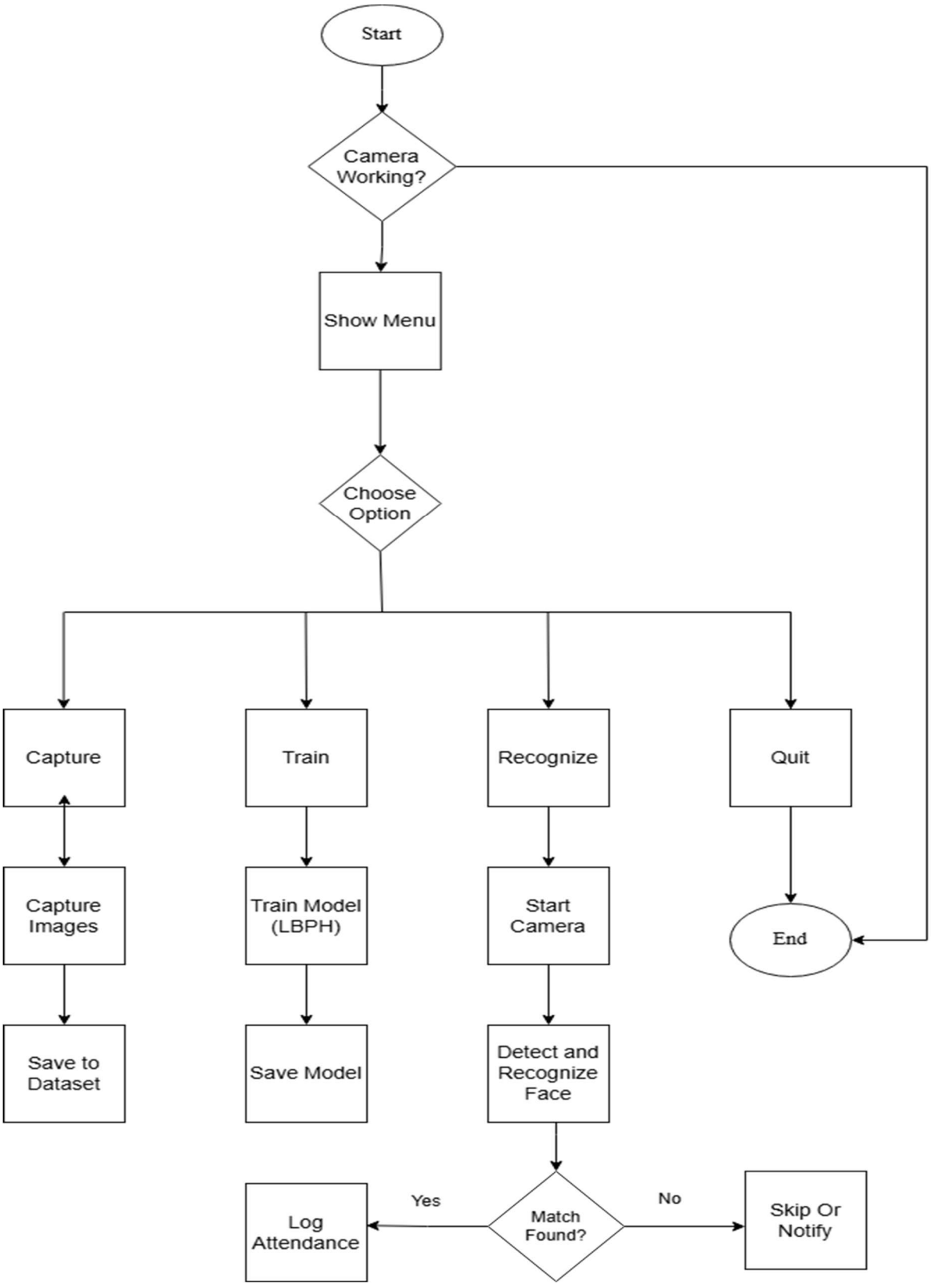

Fig-3.1 System Flow Chart

CHAPTER 4

SYSTEM COMPONENT

4.1 Hardware Components

The smart attendance tracking system is designed to be both cost-effective and practical, utilizing readily available hardware components to carry out facial recognition-based attendance logging. The key hardware components include:

• Webcam

A high-resolution webcam is employed to capture real-time video streams of individuals as they appear before the system. The webcam serves as the core input device, capturing frames that are then processed to detect and recognize faces. It is essential that the webcam provides a clear and consistent frame rate, ideally at 30 fps or higher, to ensure smooth detection and recognition in real time. The quality of the webcam also influences the accuracy of face detection, especially under varying lighting conditions.

• Computer or Laptop

The processing of image data, facial recognition, database operations, and system logic is handled by a computer or laptop. This device must have a reasonable CPU and memory configuration to handle the real-time requirements of face detection and recognition algorithms. When deep learning models such as CNNs are used, a GPU-enabled machine is recommended for faster inference. The computer acts as the host system where all software components are executed and coordinated.

4.2 Software Components

The software stack integrates multiple libraries and tools that facilitate computer vision, data manipulation, and attendance record management:

• Python

Python is the primary programming language used to develop the application due to its simplicity,

readability, and extensive support for scientific computing and machine learning. Its vast ecosystem of libraries makes it ideal for implementing computer vision applications.

• OpenCV (Open Source Computer Vision Library)

OpenCV is at the heart of the system's image and video processing capabilities. It is used for capturing video from the webcam, converting images to grayscale, applying preprocessing techniques (like histogram equalization), and detecting faces using Haar Cascade and deep learning-based models. OpenCV also supports face recognition techniques such as LBPH (Local Binary Patterns Histogram), making it a vital component of the software stack.

• NumPy

NumPy is a fundamental library for numerical computing in Python. It is used in the background for handling large arrays and matrices of image data, and for supporting mathematical operations required during image preprocessing and feature extraction.

• Pandas

Pandas is used for handling and manipulating attendance data. It provides data structures like Data Frames, which are highly suitable for organizing attendance records, analyzing trends, and exporting data into readable formats such as CSV. Pandas also helps in performing time-series operations and aggregations on attendance logs.

• SQL (Structured Query Language)

SQL is used to manage the backend database that stores user information, face recognition results, and attendance records. The database supports the creation, retrieval, updating, and deletion of attendance data in a structured and secure manner. SQL ensures that attendance logs are consistently maintained and easily accessible for administrative or analytical purposes.

Together, these components create a reliable, efficient, and user-friendly attendance system.

CHAPTER 5

LOCAL BINARY PATTERNS HISTOGRAM (LBPH) ALGORITHM

5.1 Introduction

The Local Binary Patterns Histogram (LBPH) algorithm is a widely used method in facial recognition systems due to its simplicity, efficiency, and high accuracy in various lighting conditions. It is especially suited for real-time applications and is an integral part of many OpenCV-based face recognition systems. In this project, LBPH has been employed to identify and authenticate registered individuals for automated attendance marking.

5.2 The LBPH algorithm works in 5 steps as given below:

5.2.1 Parameters:

LBPH uses 4 parameters:

• Radius: the radius is used to create a local binary pattern and represents the radius around the center pixel. The frequency is set to 1.

• Neighbors: the number of sample points to form a circular area for a binary. Keep in mind: the more points you enter, the higher the computer cost. The frequency is set to 8.

• Grid X: the number of cells in a horizontal direction. The more cells, the better grid, the vector size of the emerging element. The frequency is set to 8.

• Grid Y-the number of cells in a straight line. The more cells, the better grid, the vector size of the emerging element. The frequency is set to 8.

5.2.2 Algorithm Training:

The first step is to train the model. To do so, we use a data base that contains photos of people we would like to inform. Next, an ID (also a number or personal name) for all images is added, so the

algorithm can use this data to identify the input image and give the result. Photos of the same person must have the same ID. Since the training set has already been created, let's take a look at the LBPH process steps.

5.2.3 Applying for LBPH operation:

Next thing is to create an intermediate image that defines the original image on a highway, with the light of the face. To do so, algorithmic law uses a window view, supporting the range of frames and neighbors.

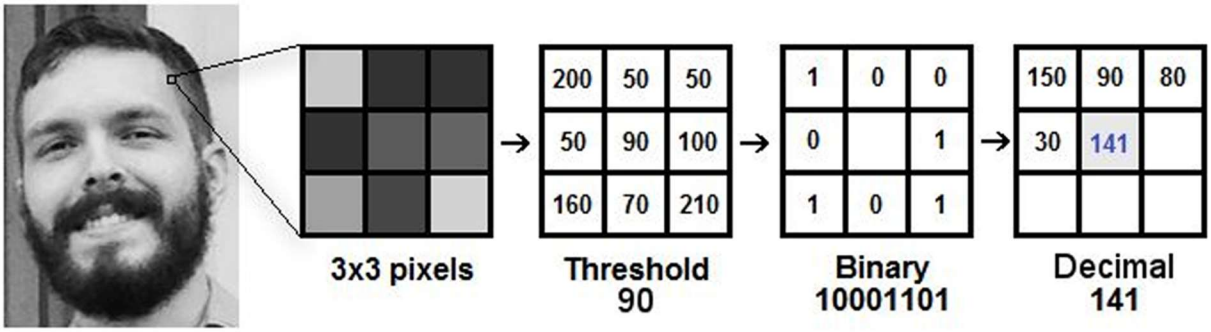

Fig-5.1 LBPH Operation

• We have a gray face picture.

• We can find part of this image as a 3x3 pixel window.

• It can also be represented as a 3x3 matrix containing the thickness of each pixel (0 ~ 255).

• After that, we need to take the median value of the matrix that will be used as the limit.

• This number will be used to describe new values from eight neighbors.

• For each median of the middle value(limit), we set a new binary value. We set1 value equal to or higher than the limit and 0 value less than the limit.

• Now, the matrix will contain only binary values (regardless of average value). We need to estimate each binary value from each location from the matrix line by line to the new binary value (e.g.

10001101). Note: some authors use other methods to synchronize binary values (e.g. clock direction), but the result will be same.

• After that, we convert this binary number to a decimal value and set it to the center value of the matrix, which is a pixel from the first image.

• At the end of this process (LBP process), we have a new image that better represents the features of the original image.

It can be done by using bilinear interpolation. If a certain point of data is within a pixel, it uses values from the nearest 4 (2x2) pixels to measure the point of the new data point.

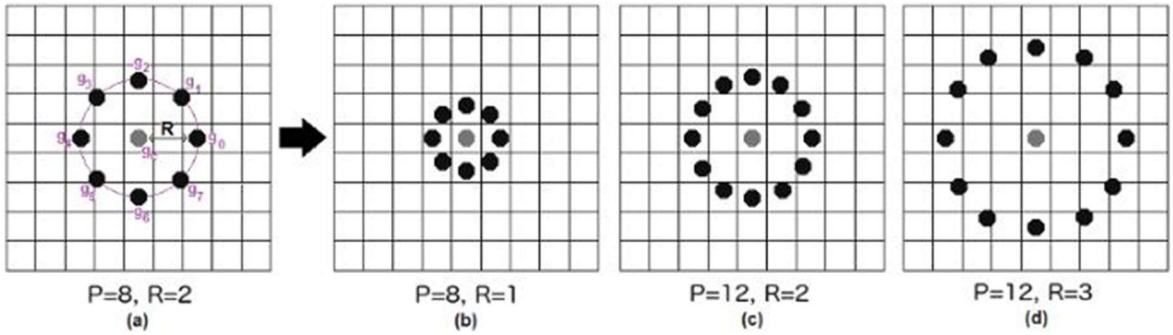

Fig-5.2 Bilinear Interpolation

5.2.4 Recording Histograms:

Now, using the image created in the last step, we can use the Grid X and Grid Y parameters to split the image into multiple grids, as can be seen in the following picture:

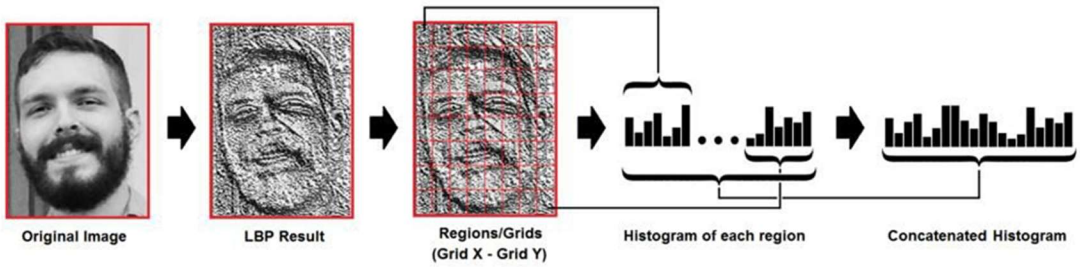

Fig-5.3 Histogram

Since we have a gray image, each histogram (from each grid) will only contain 256 (0~255) positions representing the potential for each pixel power.
After that, we need to sync each histogram to create a new and larger histogram. If we assume we have 8x8 grids, we will have 8x8x256 = 16.384 positions in the final histogram. The final histogram represents the feature of the first image.

5.2.5 Performing Face Recognition:

At this point, the algorithm is already trained. Each created histogram is used to represent each image from the training database. SO, when we are given an image to insert, we perform steps again for this new image and create a histogram representing the image.

So to get an image similar to an input image we just need to compare the two histograms and replace the image with the nearest histogram.

To determine the similarity between two face images using the LBPH algorithm, we compare their histograms by calculating the distance between them. Several methods can be used for histogram comparison, such as:
• Euclidean Distance
• Chi-Square Distance
• Manhattan (Total Value) Distance, etc.

In this project, we use Euclidean distance, one of the most popular and straightforward methods, to measure the closeness between the histogram of a detected face and those in the stored dataset. The Euclidean distance formula is as follows:

$$D = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^{n} (hist1_i - hist2_i)^2}$$

So, the output of this distance calculation helps determine the ID of the closest matching face in the database. Additionally, the distance is used to calculate a confidence score, which serves as a proportional indicator of match reliability.

5.3 Working

In our model, we will be providing the users with the options to choose a given function from the above possible functions, the pseudocode for the same is given below:

• Check Camera
• Capture Faces
• Train Images
• Recognize & Attendance
• Quit

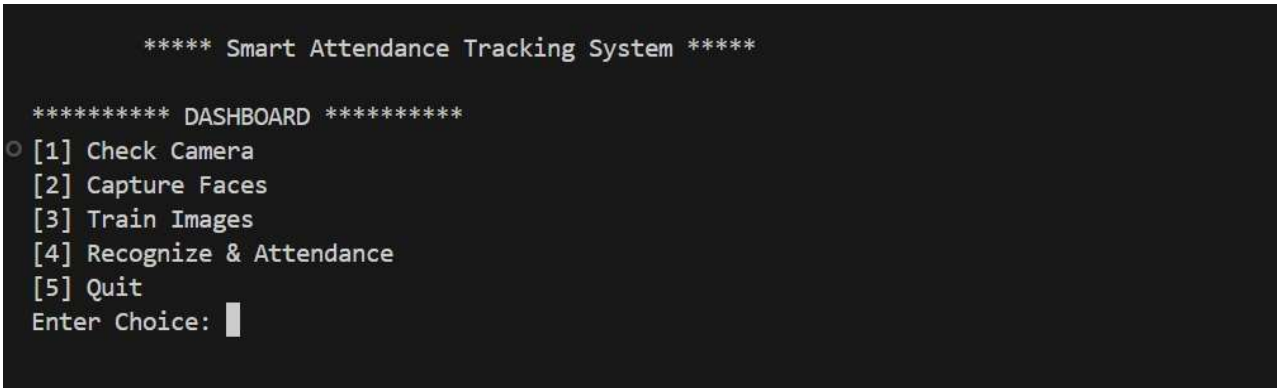

Fig-5.4 Dashboard

Pseudocode:

Begin
• if choice = 1
Call the function to check if the system/external camera is working.
• elif choice = 2
Call the function which captures faces
• elif choice = 3
Call the function which trains images
• elif choice = 4
Call the function that recognizes the person from the set of saved images from the database is called
• else exit
End

Step – 1: Finding all the faces

We start by looking out for faces in an image. The first step is usually converting the image to black and white, as color data isn't necessary for face detection.

Then, we analyze every single pixel in the image one at a time. For each pixel, we observe the surrounding pixels to determine how dark or light the region is in comparison. The objective is to assess how much darker or lighter each pixel is compared to its neighbors.

Next, we draw arrows to indicate the direction in which the image is getting darker. By repeating this process for every pixel, we end up replacing each pixel with an arrow.

These arrows are known as gradients, and they represent how brightness changes across the image essentially showing the flow from light to dark throughout the image.

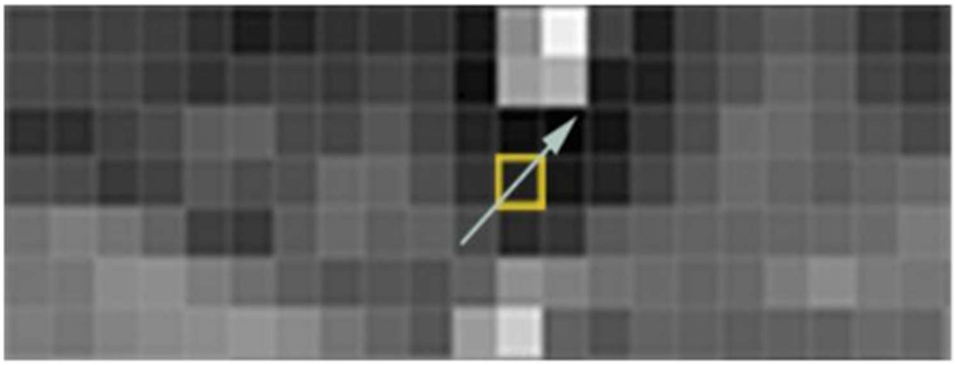

Fig-5.5 Face Detected (Pixel)

Step – 2: Posing and Projecting Faces

For this, we have planned to use an algorithm known as face landmark estimation. The essential idea is to detect sixty-eight specific facial points (landmarks) such as the upper part of the chin, the skin edge of each eye, the inner edge of the eyebrows, and so on. We will then train a machine learning model to accurately identify these sixty-eight landmarks on any given face. These landmarks provide a detailed geometric representation of facial structure, which is crucial for tasks like facial alignment, expression analysis, and 3D face modeling. By mapping these key points, the system can effectively pose and project faces under various conditions such as lighting, angle, and expression changes. This step is foundational for ensuring consistency and accuracy in subsequent facial recognition or animation processes.

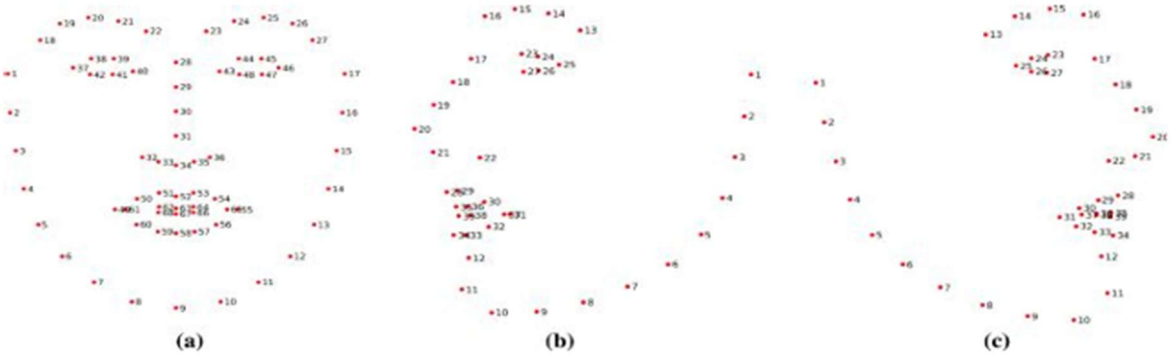

Fig-5.6 Image Pose and Projection

Given below is the python code for recognizing the 68-points in a person's face using the face-recognition library.

```
import face_recognition
image = face_recognition.load_image_file("your_file.jpg")
face_locations = face_recognition.face_locations(image)
```

Thus, by locating the eyes and mouth, we can perform transformations such as rotation, scaling, and sharing of the image. This results in proper centering of the eyes and mouth to their optimal positions.

Fig-5.7 Face Detection by Model

Step - 3: Encoding Faces

In this step, the face image will be encoded. We plan to find the most reliable way to measure a face. During this process, we also intend to train our model. If the system outputs more than one rectangle indicating the position of the face, the distance between the center points of these rectangles is calculated.

Code:

```
def TrainImages():
    os.makedirs("TrainingImageLabel", exist_ok=True)
    try:
        recognizer = cv2.face.LBPHFaceRecognizer_create()
    except AttributeError:
        print("❌ OpenCV not installed correctly! Run:")
        print("   pip install opencv-contrib-python")
        return
    faces, Ids = getImagesAndLabels("TrainingImage")
    if not faces:
        print("❌ No training images found!")
        return
```

It is a machine learning-based approach in which a cascade function is trained using a large number of positive and negative images. OpenCV provides both a trainer and a detector. If you want to train your own classifier for detecting any object, such as cars, planes, etc., you can use OpenCV to create it.

This encoding step is critical as it transforms facial features into a format that the recognition system can interpret and compare efficiently. The LBPH (Local Binary Patterns Histograms) algorithm is especially effective in capturing the local features of a face, making it robust against variations in lighting and facial expressions. During training, the model learns to associate encoded patterns with corresponding identities. By calculating the distance between multiple detected rectangles (if more

than one face is detected), we ensure the system focuses on the most probable face region, enhancing accuracy. This setup provides a strong foundation for real-time face recognition applications.

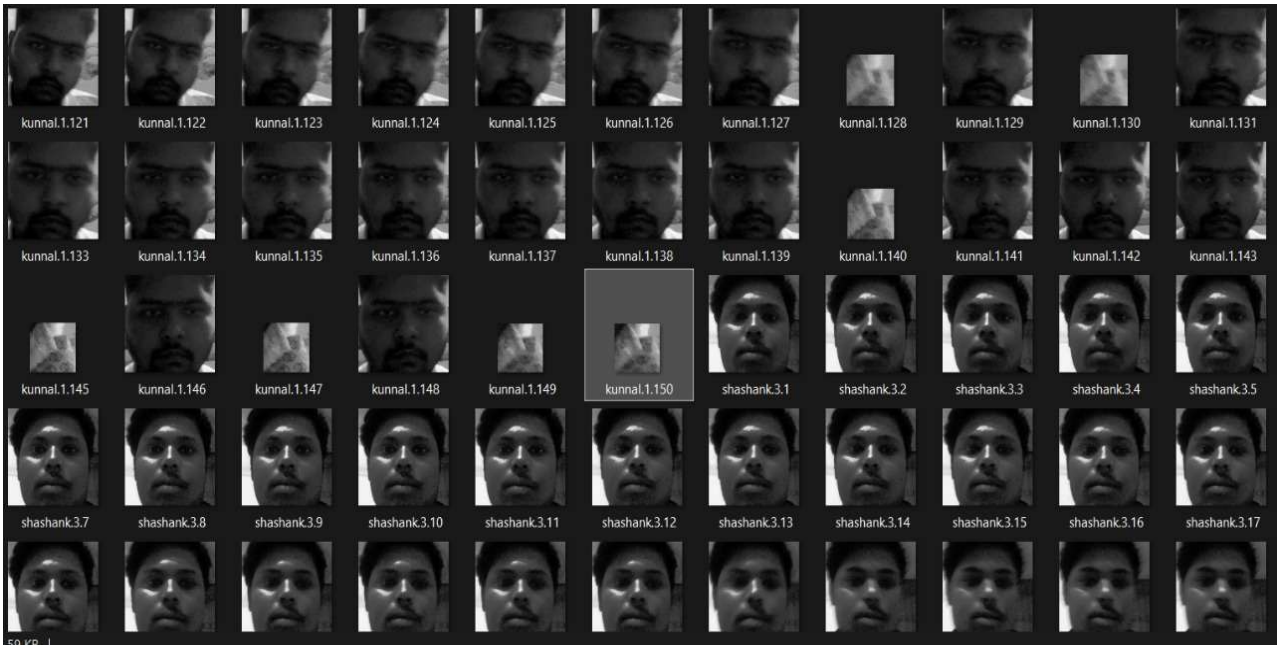

Fig-5.8 Snapshots Captured

From the figure above, it can be observed that approximately 30–40 images are captured and stored in the database or local storage. These images are then used to detect and recognize the person so that attendance can be marked.

Step – 4: Finding the person's name from the encoding

This final step is the simplest in the entire process. All we need to do is identify the person in our database whose facial measurements most closely match those of the test image.
In other words, the steps involved in face detection for each face found in an image are as follows:

• Detect the face in the image
• Analyze the facial features
• Compare them against known faces in the database
• Make a prediction

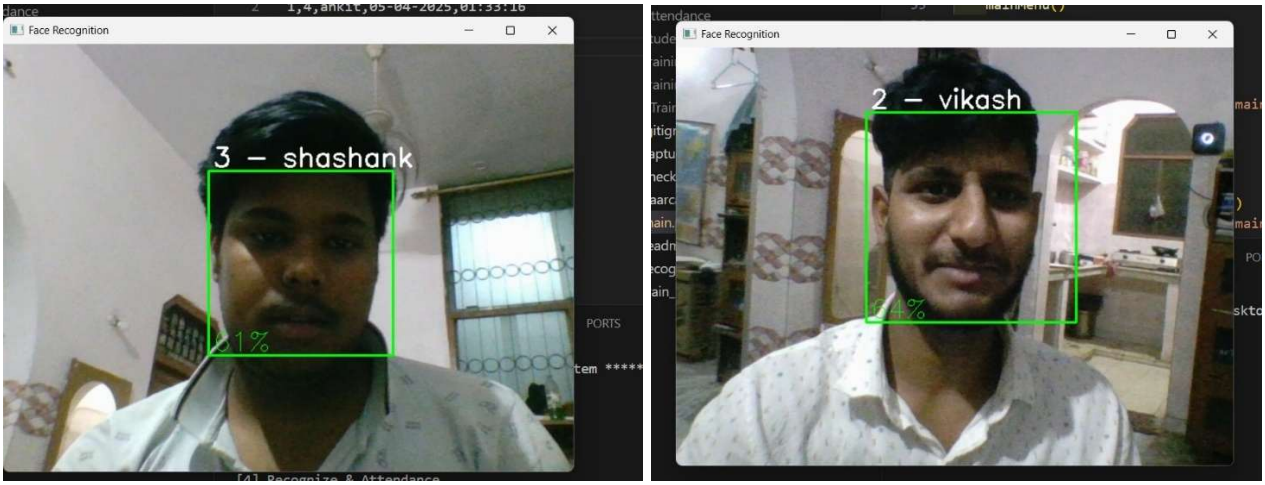

Fig-5.9 Final Step: Predicting Face

Step – 5: Recording attendance

As suggested above, the face is detected by following the mentioned steps, and in the final step, the face is recognized and attendance is marked for the identified person, along with a timestamp. The system can be evaluated by executing the face recognition function.

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	A	B	C	D	E	F	G
1	Serial No	Id	Name	Date	Time		
2	1	4	ankit	05-04-2025	01:33:16		
3	2	1	kunnal	06-04-2025	19:03:30		
4	3	1	kunnal	06-04-2025	19:28:55		
5	4	1	kunnal	06-04-2025	19:32:00		
6	5	3	shashank	09-04-2025	18:54:02		
7							
8							
9							
10							

Fig-5.10 CSV File (Output)

CHAPTER 6

CODE IMPLEMENTATION

All our code is written in the Python programming language. Below are the key Python files that form the core of our software engineering project implementation:

• Dataset – Stores all the captured face images.
• main.py – The main program file used to run the application.
• train_image.py – Responsible for training the captured images and managing the dataset.
• recognize.py – Used to recognize faces and mark attendance.
• check_camera.py – Used to check whether the camera is functioning properly.
• capture_image.py – Captures face images of individuals to be stored in the dataset.

6.1 main.py

This is the main Python code for our project, which integrates functions from other files and provides all the available options in the user interface. Once this file is executed, the user is prompted to choose the desired action, such as capturing an image, training images, and so on.

This file serves as the main Python script for our face recognition-based attendance system project. It plays a central role in integrating the functionalities of various supporting Python files such as train_image.py, recognize.py, and the dataset management scripts. The script acts as the primary controller for the entire project, handling user interaction and providing access to all available features through a menu-driven interface.
Upon executing this main script, the user is presented with a list of options, typically in the form of a command-line or graphical interface. These options allow the user to choose the desired operation, whether it is to capture a new face image, train the recognition model using the stored images, recognize and mark attendance, or even send attendance records via email.
Each selected option internally calls the relevant function or external script, ensuring modularity and clean execution. For instance, selecting the image capture option will invoke the image capture module that stores the images in a specified dataset directory. Similarly, choosing the training option

triggers the training module, which uses machine learning techniques (e.g., Haar cascade classifier and LBPH recognizer) to train the model on the captured data.

This main file, therefore, functions as the gateway between the user and the backend logic, offering a seamless experience to carry out all operations of the face recognition attendance system in an organized and user-friendly manner.

Code:

```
import os
import check_camera
import capture_image
import train_image
import recognize

def title_bar():
    os.system('cls')
    print("\t***** Smart Attendance Tracking System *****")

def mainMenu():
    title_bar()
    print()
    print(10 * "", "DASHBOARD", 10 * "")
    print("[1] Check Camera")
    print("[2] Capture Faces")
    print("[3] Train Images")
    print("[4] Recognize & Attendance")
    print("[5] Quit")
    while True:
        try:
            choice = int(input("Enter Choice: "))
            if choice == 1:
                checkCamera()
                break
```

```
            elif choice == 2:
                CaptureFaces()
                break
            elif choice == 3:
                Trainimages()
                break
            elif choice == 4:
                recognizeFaces()
                break
            elif choice == 5:
                print("Thank You")
                break
            else:
                print("Invalid Choice. Enter 1-4")
                mainMenu()
        except ValueError:
            print("Invalid Choice. Enter 1-4\n Try Again")

def checkCamera():
    check_camera.camer()
    input("Enter any key to return main menu")
    mainMenu()

def CaptureFaces():
    capture_image.takeImages()
    input("Enter any key to return main menu")
    mainMenu()

def Trainimages():
    train_image.TrainImages()
    input("Enter any key to return main menu")
    mainMenu()
```

```
def recognizeFaces():
    recognize.recognize_attendance()
    input("Enter any key to return main menu")
    mainMenu()

mainMenu()
```

6.2 train_image.py

In this step, the image is trained using the database images and machine learning techniques. This is achieved by utilizing a Haar Cascade Classifier. Once the images are successfully trained and the model is ready for the next step, a message saying "Image Trained" appears on the screen.

Code:

```
import os
import cv2
import numpy as np
from PIL import Image

def getImagesAndLabels(path):
    os.makedirs(path, exist_ok=True)
    imagePaths = [os.path.join(path, f) for f in os.listdir(path) if f.endswith(".jpg")]
    faces = []
    Ids = []

    for imagePath in imagePaths:
        pilImage = Image.open(imagePath).convert('L')
        imageNp = np.array(pilImage, 'uint8')
        try:
            Id = int(os.path.split(imagePath)[-1].split(".")[1])
        except ValueError:
            print(f"⚠ Skipping invalid file: {imagePath}")
            continue
```

```
            faces.append(imageNp)
            Ids.append(Id)

    return faces, Ids

def TrainImages():
    os.makedirs("TrainingImageLabel", exist_ok=True)

    try:
        recognizer = cv2.face.LBPHFaceRecognizer_create()
    except AttributeError:
        print("❌ OpenCV not installed correctly! Run:")
        print("   pip install opencv-contrib-python")
        return

    faces, Ids = getImagesAndLabels("TrainingImage")
    if not faces:
        print("❌ No training images found!")
        return

    recognizer.train(faces, np.array(Ids))
    recognizer.save("TrainingImageLabel/Trainer.yml")
    print("\n✅ Training Completed Successfully!")
if __name__ == "__main__":
    TrainImages()
```

6.3 recognize.py

In this step, faces are recognized using the LBPH Face Recognizer function. Along with face recognition, the system also records the current time and date. If the function executes successfully, attendance is marked for the recognized face.

Code:

```
import cv2
```

```
import os
import pandas as pd
import time
import datetime

def recognize_attendance():

    recognizer = cv2.face.LBPHFaceRecognizer_create()
    recognizer.read("TrainingImageLabel/Trainer.yml")

    harcascadePath = "haarcascade_default.xml"
    if not os.path.exists(harcascadePath):
        print("❌ Error: Haarcascade file is missing!")
        return
    faceCascade = cv2.CascadeClassifier(harcascadePath)

    student_file = "StudentDetails/StudentDetails.csv"
    if not os.path.exists(student_file):
        print("❌ Error: Student details file is missing!")
        return
    df = pd.read_csv(student_file)

    attendance_file = "Attendance/Attendance.csv"
    os.makedirs("Attendance", exist_ok=True)

    if os.path.exists(attendance_file):
        attendance = pd.read_csv(attendance_file)
        serial_no = len(attendance) + 1
    else:
        attendance = pd.DataFrame(columns=["Serial No", "Id", "Name", "Date", "Time"])
        serial_no = 1

    cam = cv2.VideoCapture(0)
    cam.set(3, 640)
```

```
cam.set(4, 480)
font = cv2.FONT_HERSHEY_SIMPLEX
minW = 0.1 * cam.get(3)
minH = 0.1 * cam.get(4)

print("📸 Recognizing Faces... Press 'Q' to quit.")

recognized_faces = set()

while True:
    ret, im = cam.read()
    if not ret:
        print("❌ Error: Unable to access camera!")
        break

    gray = cv2.cvtColor(im, cv2.COLOR_BGR2GRAY)
    faces = faceCascade.detectMultiScale(gray, scaleFactor=1.1, minNeighbors=6, minSize=(int(minW), int(minH)), flags=cv2.CASCADE_SCALE_IMAGE)

    for (x, y, w, h) in faces:
        cv2.rectangle(im, (x, y), (x + w, y + h), (0, 255, 0), 2)
        Id, conf = recognizer.predict(gray[y:y + h, x:x + w])

        if conf < 100:

            name_data = df.loc[df['Id'] == Id, 'Name']
            if not name_data.empty:
                name = name_data.values[0]
            else:
                name = "Unknown"
        else:
            Id = "Unknown"
            name = "Unknown"
        if (100 - conf) > 60 and Id not in recognized_faces:
```

```
            ts = time.time()
            date = datetime.datetime.fromtimestamp(ts).strftime('%Y-%m-%d')
            timeStamp = datetime.datetime.fromtimestamp(ts).strftime('%H:%M:%S')

            new_entry = pd.DataFrame([[serial_no, Id, name, date, timeStamp]], columns=["Serial No", "Id", "Name", "Date", "Time"])
            attendance = pd.concat([attendance, new_entry], ignore_index=True)
            recognized_faces.add(Id)
            serial_no += 1

        display_text = f"{Id} - {name}"
        conf_str = f"{round(100 - conf)}%"
        cv2.putText(im, display_text, (x + 5, y - 5), font, 1, (255, 255, 255), 2)
        cv2.putText(im, conf_str, (x + 5, y + h - 5), font, 1, (0, 255, 0), 1)

    cv2.imshow("Face Recognition", im)

    if cv2.waitKey(1) & 0xFF == ord('q'):
        print("\n 🛑 Stopped by user.")
        break

attendance.to_csv(attendance_file, index=False)
print("\n ✅ Attendance successfully recorded in 'Attendance.csv'.")

cam.release()
cv2.destroyAllWindows()
```

6.4 check_camera.py

Another important step in the project involves accessing the camera to capture real-time images. The camera is initialized when the program starts, and it continuously scans for faces within its frame. Once a face is detected, it is processed for recognition or training based on the user's chosen action.

Code:

```
def camer():
    import cv

    cascade_face = cv2.CascadeClassifier('haarcascade_default.xml')

    cap = cv2.VideoCapture(0)

    while True:
        _, img = cap.read()

        gray = cv2.cvtColor(img, cv2.COLOR_BGR2GRAY)
        faces = cascade_face.detectMultiScale(gray, 1.3, 5, minSize=(30, 30),flags = cv2.CASCADE_SCALE_IMAGE)

        for (a, b, c, d) in faces:
            cv2.rectangle(img, (a, b), (a + c, b + d), (10,159,255), 2)

        cv2.imshow('Webcam Check', img)

        if cv2.waitKey(1) & 0xFF == ord('q'):
            break

    cap.release()
    cv2.destroyAllWindows()
```

6.5 capture_image.py

Another important step in the project is capturing images. In this step, the system activates the webcam to capture multiple images of a person's face. These images are then stored in the dataset and are later used for training the model. This step is crucial for building an accurate and reliable face recognition system.

Code:

```
import csv
```

```
import cv2
import os
import numpy as np
def is_number(s):
    try:
        float(s)
        return True
    except ValueError:
        return False

def enhance_image(image):
    return cv2.equalizeHist(image)

def takeImages():
    Id = input("Enter Your ID (numeric): ")
    name = input("Enter Your Name (alphabetic): ")

    if not is_number(Id):
        print("❌ Error: ID must be numeric!")
        return
    if not name.isalpha():
        print("❌ Error: Name must contain only alphabets!")
        return

    os.makedirs("TrainingImage", exist_ok=True)
    os.makedirs("StudentDetails", exist_ok=True)

    cam = cv2.VideoCapture(0)
    if not cam.isOpened():
        print("❌ Error: Camera not accessible!")
        return

    harcascadePath = "haarcascade_default.xml"
    if not os.path.exists(harcascadePath):
```

```
    print("❌ Error: Haarcascade file missing!")
    return
detector = cv2.CascadeClassifier(harcascadePath)
sampleNum = 0
print("\n📸 Capturing images... Look straight, left, right, up, and down!")

while True:
    ret, img = cam.read()
    if not ret:
        print("❌ Error: Unable to access the camera.")
        break

    gray = cv2.cvtColor(img, cv2.COLOR_BGR2GRAY)
    gray = enhance_image(gray)
    faces = detector.detectMultiScale(gray, scaleFactor=1.1, minNeighbors=7, minSize=(40, 40))

    for (x, y, w, h) in faces:
        sampleNum += 1
        face_image = gray[y:y+h, x:x+w]

        filename = f"TrainingImage/{name}.{Id}.{sampleNum}.jpg"
        cv2.imwrite(filename, face_image)

        cv2.rectangle(img, (x, y), (x+w, y+h), (0, 255, 0), 2)

        if sampleNum % 10 == 0:
            print(f"📸 {sampleNum} images captured... Move your face slightly!")

    cv2.imshow("Capturing Faces - Press 'Q' to Quit", img)

    if cv2.waitKey(1) & 0xFF == ord('q'):
        print("\n🛑 Capture stopped by user!")
        break
    elif sampleNum >= 150:
```

```
            print("\n ✅ 150 images captured successfully!")
            break
    cam.release()
    cv2.destroyAllWindows()

    student_file = "StudentDetails/StudentDetails.csv"
    file_exists = os.path.exists(student_file)

    with open(student_file, 'a+', newline='') as csvFile:
        writer = csv.writer(csvFile)
        if not file_exists:
            writer.writerow(["Id", "Name"])
        writer.writerow([Id, name])

    print(f" ✅ Images saved for ID: {Id}, Name: {name}")

if _name_ == "_main_":
    takeImages()
```

CHAPTER 7

RESULTS

The developed Smart Attendance Tracking System successfully demonstrated the ability to detect and recognize faces from both captured images and live HD video feeds. The face detection component efficiently identifies the presence of a human face in an image by scanning multiple regions and applying pattern recognition techniques to localize facial features. Once a face is detected, it is passed to the recognition module for further analysis and identification.

During class sessions, the system automatically compares incoming video frames or still images against the stored dataset of registered individuals. These stored face encodings are used to authenticate and log attendance in real-time, eliminating the need for manual intervention. This automation significantly streamlines the attendance process, especially in large classroom settings. Furthermore, the system offers an optional feature for educators to display or call out recognized students by name, enhancing engagement and offering better classroom management.

Table 7.1: Detection and Recognition rate concerning face orientation

Face Orientations	Detection Rate	Recognition Rate
0° (Frontal Face)	98.7%	95%
18°	80.0%	78%
54°	59.2%	58%
72°	0.00%	0.00%
90° (Profile Face)	0.00%	0.00%

To evaluate the effectiveness of the system, a controlled experiment was conducted using a training dataset comprising 50 images per person across 5 individuals. These images included variations in facial expressions, lighting conditions, and angles to simulate real-world usage. Initial results showed a face recognition accuracy of approximately 70% to 80%, with variations largely dependent on the quality and resolution of the input images. Inconsistent lighting and low-resolution inputs led to increased recognition errors, while controlled environments yielded more reliable outcomes.

The performance improved noticeably when high-resolution images were used under good lighting and with neutral backgrounds. In these conditions, the system demonstrated consistent recognition with minimal false positives. However, the lack of a built-in confidence threshold or metric in the early prototype posed a challenge. To mitigate this, a custom validation approach was implemented, where every set of five input images was analyzed, and if at least three out of five were correctly matched, the system confirmed it as a successful recognition. The matched image was also displayed side-by-side with the test input to provide visual confirmation for the user.

In tests involving random image sequences, the system often produced recognizable output patterns, though the variance in confidence levels remained undetected due to the absence of probabilistic scoring. This limited the interpretability of the recognition accuracy, particularly in edge cases involving facial occlusions or non-frontal images. Nonetheless, the workaround using majority-vote matching proved helpful in increasing the system's practical usability during testing.

Despite the promising results, the system still faces limitations in terms of accuracy, reliability, and scalability, especially in uncontrolled environments. The recognition model requires further refinement and training on more diverse datasets to ensure better generalization. Moreover, adding features such as liveness detection and a dynamic confidence score could enhance both security and user experience.

While the current version of the system may not yet be ready for full-scale institutional deployment, it serves as a strong proof-of-concept for research and academic experimentation. Educators, developers, and researchers can utilize this prototype to further test facial recognition applications in attendance tracking, explore integration with external systems, and contribute to ongoing improvements in biometric authentication systems.

CHAPTER 8

CONCLUSION AND FUTURE SCOPE

8.1 Conclusion

The primary objective of this project was to develop a Smart Attendance System using Face Recognition Technology that minimizes human intervention and automates the attendance process efficiently. By implementing image processing techniques and machine learning algorithms, we successfully built a system capable of detecting and recognizing human faces with considerable accuracy.

The project leverages OpenCV and the LBPH (Local Binary Pattern Histogram) Face Recognizer algorithm to detect and recognize faces in real-time. Additional components such as Haar Cascade Classifier for face detection and a simple user interface were integrated to enhance usability. The system automatically stores captured face data, trains on it, and later uses it for real-time identification. Once a face is recognized, attendance is marked along with a timestamp, and even an automated email can be sent to a specified address for confirmation or reporting purposes.

The modular structure of the code, consisting of dataset creation, training, recognition, and mailing, ensures easy maintenance, scalability, and integration with other systems such as databases or cloud services.

One of the key limitations identified during development was related to the face recognition performance on small class sizes, often due to recognition failures. This highlighted the importance of image quality and resolution, since in face recognition, every pixel matters. The algorithm’s performance was also influenced by the natural classroom setting, where students' faces vary in size and orientation. The core objective, regardless of head pose or position, is to accurately center the eyes and mouth, enabling consistent face alignment and successful recognition.

Security and ethical considerations have also been prioritized. Login functionality is recommended for access control and data security. As data confidentiality is crucial, organizations must comply with data protection regulations and ethical guidelines. At the beginning of each academic year, updated photographs can be taken and stored securely. Importantly, every individual should be

informed about the use of their facial data in the attendance system and must provide consent in accordance with relevant privacy and data protection laws.

Overall, the system achieves the goal of making attendance tracking smarter, faster, and more secure than traditional manual systems.

8.2 Future Scope

While the current implementation is functional and meets the basic requirements of a smart attendance system, there is considerable potential for further enhancement. Some of the future scope points include:

8.2.1 Integration with Cloud Storage and Database

• Instead of storing face data and attendance locally, the system can be connected to cloud platforms like Firebase, AWS, or Azure.
• This would allow for centralized data management, easy backups, and remote access for administrators.

8.2.2 Improved Recognition Accuracy

• The accuracy can be improved by using advanced deep learning models such as CNNs (Convolutional Neural Networks) or Dlib's face embeddings.
• These models provide better resistance to variations in lighting, pose, and facial expressions.

8.2.3 Mobile Application Support

• A companion mobile app can be developed for teachers or admins to view, edit, or export attendance reports in real time.
• Students can also be notified of their attendance status via the app.

8.2.4 Multi-Face Recognition

• Extend the system to recognize and mark attendance for multiple faces simultaneously, especially useful in classroom or group settings.

8.2.5 Real-time Analytics and Reporting

• Adding a dashboard for live tracking of attendance.
• Generate analytics such as monthly attendance percentage, absentee reports, and trends.

8.2.6 Enhanced Security and Spoofing Prevention

• Implement anti-spoofing mechanisms to prevent the system from being tricked by photos or videos.
• Techniques like blink detection or 3D face recognition can be used.

By implementing these future enhancements, the system can evolve into a robust, enterprise-grade smart attendance platform suitable for schools, colleges, offices, and even public event tracking. The project has laid the foundation for intelligent attendance systems, showcasing the potential of AI and computer vision in real-world applications. We will improve this technique as we continue running the system with more than two students on a bench and allow for dynamic seating arrangements.

• Can improve security by adding administrator login.

• Can use Neural Network for high accuracy.

• Can be used in a big factory or employee attendance.

• Can build on a fully web-based system.

• Can include multilingual support for a wider user base.

• Could integrate with IoT devices like smart gates or RFID for hybrid verification.

• Facial data privacy can be ensured using encryption and GDPR-compliant protocols.

• Can be extended to support shift-wise or subject-wise attendance tracking.

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