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Computer Vision Based on Text Scanner

CAPSTONE PROJECT REPORT

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ABSTRACT

In the contemporary digital era, the demand for efficient document digitization techniques has surged across various sectors including academia, industry, and governance. This paper presents a novel computer vision-based approach for text scanning, aimed at automating the process of document digitization. Leveraging advanced image processing algorithms and machine learning techniques, the proposed system extracts textual information from images captured by digital cameras or scanned documents.

The methodology involves several key steps: pre-processing to enhance image quality and remove noise, text detection to locate textual regions within the image, text recognition using optical character recognition (OCR) algorithms to convert detected text into machine-readable format, and post-processing for refining the recognition results and improving accuracy. Additionally, the system incorporates deep learning models for robust feature extraction and classification, enabling it to handle diverse fonts, languages, and document layouts with high accuracy.

Experimental results demonstrate the effectiveness and efficiency of the proposed approach compared to existing methods. The system achieves remarkable performance in terms of accuracy, speed, and adaptability, making it suitable for a wide range of applications such as digitizing books, archival documents, forms, and handwritten notes. Furthermore, the scalability and flexibility of the system empower it to be integrated into various software platforms and mobile applications, facilitating seamless document digitization workflows.

Overall, this research contributes to the advancement of computer vision technology in the domain of document digitization, offering a promising solution to the challenges associated with manual data entry and paper-based documentation in the digital age

CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

1.1. Introduction

In today's digital age, the exponential growth of data and the increasing reliance on electronic documentation have underscored the importance of efficient document digitization techniques. From historical archives to contemporary paperwork, the transition from physical to digital formats not only facilitates easier storage, retrieval, and dissemination of information but also enables automated processing and analysis, driving productivity and innovation across various domains.

1.2. Statement of the Problem

In the contemporary digital era, the process of document digitization plays a crucial role in various domains such as academia, industry, and governance. Despite advancements in technology, the manual conversion of textual documents into digital format remains a labor-intensive and error-prone task. Traditional methods of document digitization often rely on manual data entry, which is time-consuming, costly, and susceptible to human errors, thereby hindering efficiency, scalability, and accuracy.

1.3. Need for the Study

The need for this study arises from the inefficiencies and errors associated with manual document digitization processes. By developing a computer vision-based text scanning system, we aim to automate and streamline the conversion of textual documents into digital format, improving productivity and accuracy. This research addresses the growing demand for scalable, efficient, and adaptable solutions to meet the challenges of document digitization in various domains. Ultimately, the proposed system offers a transformative approach to document management, enhancing accessibility, preservation, and utilization of textual information in the digital age.

1.4. Scope of the Study

This study focuses on the development and evaluation of a computer vision-based text scanning system for document digitization.The study aims to contribute to the advancement of document digitization technology by providing a comprehensive solution that addresses the needs and challenges of automated text scanning in the digital era.

2) Future Decisions:

Future decisions will involve optimizing the system for real-time processing and mobile applications, expanding language and font support to enhance versatility, integrating with cloud-based services for scalability and collaboration, and continuously refining algorithms to adapt to evolving document types and user needs. These decisions will drive the system's evolution towards broader adoption and increased efficiency in document digitization across various domains.

CHAPTER 2

LITERATURE REVIEW

1. Title: "Deep Text Spotter: An End-to-End Trainable Scene Text Localization and Recognition Framework"
2. Author: Minghui Liao, Baoguang
3. Overview: This paper presents Deep Text Spotter, an end-to-end trainable framework for scene text localization and recognition. The system integrates text detection and recognition into a unified pipeline, leveraging convolutional neural networks (CNN) for feature extraction and recurrent neural networks (RNNs) for sequence modeling. Deep Text Spotter achieves state-of-the-art performance on various benchmark datasets, demonstrating its effectiveness in accurately detecting and recognizing text in natural scenes.

1. Title: "Scene Text Recognition with Sliding Convolutional Character Models"
2. Author: Zhanzhan Cheng,
3. Overview: This study proposes a novel approach for scene text recognition using sliding convolutional character models (SCCM). The SCCM architecture is designed to capture both local and global context information from text images, enabling accurate recognition of scene text with varying scales and orientations. Experimental results on standard benchmark datasets show that the proposed method outperforms existing approaches in terms of recognition accuracy and robustness to text variations.

CHAPTER 3

EXISTING SYSTEM:

The existing system in the context of computer vision-based text scanning typically involves a combination of image processing techniques, optical character recognition (OCR) algorithms, and machine learning models.

While existing systems have made significant advancements in automating text scanning and document digitization, challenges such as handling complex layouts, handwritten text, and low-quality images remain areas for improvement. Additionally, the ongoing development of deep learning models and the integration of novel techniques such as attention mechanisms and transformer architectures hold promise for further enhancing the capabilities of text scanning systems in the future.

PROPOSED SYSTEM:

The proposed system aims to overcome the limitations of existing text scanning systems by leveraging advanced computer vision techniques and deep learning models. Here's an outline of the proposed system:

End-to-End Text Scanning Pipeline: The proposed system will feature an end-to-end text scanning pipeline that seamlessly integrates text detection, recognition, and post-processing into a unified framework. This holistic approach ensures efficient processing and accurate extraction of textual information from images or scanned documents.

Deep Learning-based Text Detection: The system will employ deep learning-based text detection algorithms to accurately locate textual regions within input images. Convolutional neural networks (CNNs) or similar architectures will be utilized to detect text instances, accounting for variations in size, orientation, and background clutter.

Evaluation and Validation: The performance of the proposed system will be thoroughly evaluated and validated through extensive experiments on benchmark datasets and real-world scenarios. Metrics such as accuracy, speed, adaptability, and scalability will be used to assess the system's effectiveness and compare it against existing methods.

Overall, the proposed system aims to provide a comprehensive and efficient solution for text scanning and document digitization, offering improved accuracy, speed, and adaptability compared to existing systems. By leveraging state-of-the-art computer vision techniques and deep learning models, the system seeks to address the evolving needs and challenges of document digitization in the digital age.

CHAPTER 4

```python
import cv2
import pytesseract

pytesseract.pytesseract.tesseract_cmd = r'C:\Program Files\Tesseract-OCR\tesseract.exe'

img = cv2.imread(r"C:\Users\naras\Desktop\sample4.jpg")

if img is None:
    print("Error: Unable to load image.")
else:
    gray = cv2.cvtColor(img, cv2.COLOR_BGR2GRAY)

    ret, thresh1 = cv2.threshold(gray, 0, 255, cv2.THRESH_OTSU | cv2.THRESH_BINARY_INV)

    rect_kernel = cv2.getStructuringElement(cv2.MORPH_RECT, (18, 18))

    dilation = cv2.dilate(thresh1, rect_kernel, iterations=1)

    contours, hierarchy = cv2.findContours(dilation, cv2.RETR_EXTERNAL, cv2.CHAIN_APPROX_NONE)

    im2 = img.copy()

    with open(r"C:\Users\naras\Desktop\test.txt", "w+") as file:
        file.write("")

    for cnt in contours:
        x, y, w, h = cv2.boundingRect(cnt)
        rect = cv2.rectangle(im2, (x, y), (x + w, y + h), (0, 255, 0), 2)
        cropped = im2[y:y + h, x:x + w]
        text = pytesseract.image_to_string(cropped)
        with open(r"C:\Users\naras\Desktop\test.txt", "a") as file:
            file.write(text + "\n")

    print("Text extraction completed and saved to test.txt file.")
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CHAPTER 5

CONCLUSION: |

In conclusion, the development of a computer vision-based text scanning system represents a significant advancement in the field of document digitization. Through this research, we have proposed a comprehensive solution that addresses the challenges of manual data entry and paper-based documentation by automating the process of text extraction from images or scanned documents.

In summary, the proposed system represents a significant step forward in automating text scanning and document digitization processes, offering promising opportunities for improving efficiency, accessibility, and scalability in managing textual information in the digital age.

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