Viterbi Internship - Final Work Report

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1 Abstract

Media forensics in general involves detection of the tampered media, identification of the tampered portion as well as trying to recover the original media.

2 Introduction

The work is done as a part of the MediFor Project. The MediFor project aims at pushing the state of the art research in the field of media forensics which in broad sense deals with the tampering of the media (image, video or audio) and its detection. This work only deals with image forensics. For each manipulated image the MediFor project demands the actual image on which manipulation is done (this is called the baseline image), the kind of manipulation, and in case of splice manipulation where one image is spliced onto another image it also demands the donor image. This work focuses only on the first part, where the aim is to find the baseline image. It is assumed that the world set contains the true baseline image. All experiments are done on Nimble Dataset which is publicly available for use.

3 Theory

3.1 Basic Definitions

- Probe Image: This is the given image. It may or may not be manipulated.
- Probe folder: Folder containing the probe images.
- Base Image: This the actual image corresponding to a probe image with no manipulations exists.
- Donor Image: In the case where the manipulation is such that a part of image A is pasted onto image B, then image A is called the Donor Image and B is the base image. The resulting image would be the manipulated image which would exist in the probe folder.
- World folder : Folder containing all the images. This includes base, donor as well as the probe images.
- World set : The collection of images in the world folder. It is used interchangeably with world images.
- Provenance: Provenance in simple sense means the origin, so it defines the original image of a particular probe image.
- Provenance Graph: A relational graph which depicts all the transformations a particular baseline image would've undergone to reach the probe image. It is assumed that all the intermediate images are also a part of the world dataset.
- Base detection: Detection of the base image from a given probe image and the entire world set.
- Donor detection: Detection of the donor image from a given probe image and the entire world set.

3.2 MediFor Project

The MediFor project broadly has two main categories Video and Image. For any kind of media, MediFor Project wants automated assessment of the integrity of the media. If successful, the MediFor platform will automatically detect manipulations, provide detailed information about how these manipulations were performed, and reason about the overall integrity of visual media to facilitate decisions regarding the use of any questionable image or video.[1]

Table 1: Places 365 Validation

Correct Matches	Total Images	Accuracy
2975	3650	81.5068493151
2969	3650	81.3424657534
2952	3650	80.8767123288
2993	3650	82
2977	3650	81.5616438356
3036	3650	83.1780821918
2941	3650	80.5753424658
2976	3650	81.5342465753
2941	3650	80.5753424658
2938	3650	80.4931506849

There are three technical areas of interest for integrity analytics. [2]

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 - Digital Integrity: This is related to the noise modelling and statistics and its consistency.
 - Physical Integrity: This is related to shadow consistency.
 - Semantic Integrity: This is related to semantic consistency

In this work we are concerned only with semantic integrity.

3.3 Contributions of this Work

3.4 Base Detection

Base detection problem is essentially finding the underlying base image given a probe image. Here we make the assumption that the base image exists in the world set. The next problem is to get all the manipulated images derived from the base image. And beyond this is to create a provenance graph of the collected manipulated images. The last problem is not addressed in this work.

3.4.1 Neural Networks used

We use two pre-trained caffe [3] models in this work. AlexNet[4] trained on Places365[5] and AlexNet trained on ImageNet. The reason for using AlexNet instead of VGG16 or any of the later models is that we wanted to work with a simplest model and test our performances without compromising memory and time. Places365 is a scene-centric dataset while ImageNet is object centric dataset. And as such we expect there should be a difference in their base detection capability.

3.5 Donor Detection

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