Assignment: Image Feature Extraction and Classification

Machine Learning in Cyber Security (20CYS215)

Dead Line: 25/03/2025

Number of students per team: 2

Objective:

To explore various image feature extraction techniques and analyse their impact on classification performance across different machine learning models.

Instructions:

Part 1: Literature Review (20 Marks)

- 1. Conduct a literature review on image feature extraction techniques. Discuss the significance of feature extraction in computer vision tasks.
- 2. Identify and describe at least three conventional image feature extraction methods (e.g., HOG, SIFT, GLCM, ORB). Explain their underlying principles and real-world applications.

Part 2: Experimentation (40 Marks)

Choose an image dataset for experimentation. You can use standard datasets such as MNIST (digits), CIFAR-10 (objects), LFW (faces), or any dataset of your choice.

- Implement and experiment with the following feature extraction techniques:
 - Traditional feature extraction (e.g., Histogram of Oriented Gradients (HOG), Local Binary Patterns (LBP), Edge Detection)
 - Deep learning-based feature extraction (e.g., CNN-based pre-trained models like ResNet, VGG, or MobileNet)
- For each method, perform the following:
 - Preprocess the image data (grayscale conversion, resizing, normalization)
 - Extract features using the selected method
 - Train a simple classifier (Logistic Regression, KNN, Decision Trees, or Random Forests) on the extracted features
 - Evaluate the classifier's performance using appropriate metrics (accuracy, precision, recall, F1-score)

Part 3: Analysis (30 marks)

- Compare and analyze the results obtained from different feature extraction techniques. Consider the following factors:
 - Classification performance (accuracy, precision, recall, F1-score)
 - Computational time taken for feature extraction and model training
 - Differences in robustness and generalization of the models
- Discuss the **trade-offs** between conventional and deep learning-based feature extraction methods. How does feature representation impact model performance?

Part 4: Report and Presentation (10 Marks)

- Prepare a **detailed report** summarizing your literature review, experimentation, and analysis.
- Create a **presentation** highlighting key findings and insights. Be prepared to present your results to the class.

Submission Guidelines:

- Submit your report, code, and presentation slides electronically before the deadline.
- Clearly document your code and include reproducible steps.

Grading Rubric:

- **Literature Review:** 20 marks
- Experimentation (Implementation and Results): 40 marks
- Analysis (Comparative analysis and insights): 30 marks
- **Report and Presentation:** 10 marks

Note: You are encouraged to seek guidance and clarification from the instructor throughout the assignment.