Dataset Documentation

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1 Introduction

In this dataset[1], symbols used in both English and Kannada are available. In the English language, Latin script (excluding accents) and Hindu-Arabic numerals are used. For simplicity it is called the "English" characters set. Dataset consists of:

2 Dataset Description

The detailed description about the dataset is stated below.

- 64 classes (0-9, A-Z, a-z)
- 7705 characters obtained from natural images
- 3410 hand drawn characters using a tablet PC
- 62992 synthesised characters from computer fonts

This gives a total of over 74K images (which explains the name of the dataset). We only uses 64 classes (0-9, A-Z, a-z) for our project. Each file has a data structure "list" with these elements:

- 1. ALLlabels: class label for each sample
- 2. ALLnames: sub-directory and name of the image for each sample
- 3. class labels: set of labels (classes) in this dataset, coded numerically, e.g. $10=A,\,11=B,\,...,\,64=z$
- 4. classnames: strings of the directories where samples of each class are stored
- 5. NUMclasses: total number of classes in this dataset
- 6. TRNind: indexes of the training samples. If 20 splits are used, this is a matrix of N train samples $X\ 20$
- 7. TST ind: indexes of the test samples. If 20 splits are used, this is a matrix of ${\cal N}$ test samples X20
- 8. VALind: indexes of the validation samples. If 20 splits are used, this is a matrix of N validation samples X20
- 9. TXNind: indexes of the texton samples, i.e., samples used to build the vocabulary with the bag-of-visual-words method. If 20 splits are used, this is a matrix of N texton samples X20

References

[1] DE CAMPOS, T. E.BABU, B. R. Chars74k dataset, 2009. http://www.ee.surrey.ac.uk/CVSSP/demos/chars74k/.