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Abbreviations

CNN Convolutional Neural Networks

LSTM Long Short Term Memory

RNN Recurrent Neural Network

SISTCM Super Image Spatiotemporal Convolutional Model

ACCM Attention based Channel-wise Convolutional Model

FC Fully Connected layer

3D 3 Dimensions

2D 2 Dimensions

Notations

English Symbols (in alphabetical order)

G Body gesture representation

H Height

nin Number of input channels

nout Number of output channels

W(t) Temporal relationship function

T Time

W Width

Greek Symbols (in alphabetical order)

A Alpha

 λ Lamda

 $\mu \hspace{1cm} Mu$

 \sum Summation

Wα Weight

Abstract

Human interactions are fundamentally based on emotions, and AI's capacity to perceive and react to emotions creates a plethora of opportunities. Intelligent analysis of emotional states conveyed by video aids in understanding the user's emotions and improves services to increase marketing competitiveness. Emotion recognition has a significant impact on human-computer interaction, educational practices, intelligent vehicles, marketing and mental health. According to recent studies, body language and facial expressions have a big role in determining emotions. However, the contextual information of neighboring frames is the primary focus of these studies, and the spatiotemporal relationships between distant or global frames are rarely explored.

The authors suggest enhancing the efficiency of video emotion recognition by extracting spatiotemporal features through additional temporal encoding. To capture the local spatiotemporal features of the facial expressions, proposes a super image-based spatiotemporal convolution model (SISTCM) for the modality of facial expressions. This is achieved by stacking the video frames into two super images along the width and height axes, and then applying 2D convolution. IN addition, a two-stream long short-term memory (LSTM) model is presented to acquire additional global temporal cues by considering the progressive relationship of emotion expressions over time. To obtain the final recognition result, it takes as input local spatiotemporal features and clip-level emotion representations.

They propose a body gesture representation method based on body joint movement, in which body gestures are represented by 25 body joints. Using this representation result, an attention-based channel-wise convolutional model (ACCM) is used for learning joint features and recognizing emotions. Data is an essential component of emotion recognition approaches, and obtaining the data required to train machine learning algorithms is often difficult.

KEY WORDS: Video emotion recognition, Facial expression, Spatiotemporal features, Body joints, Gesture representation

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SUMMARY OF THE BASE PAPER

Title: Learning facial expression and body gesture visual information for video emotion recognition

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In recent years, study of facial expression and body gesture are two major implications in identifying human emotions. However, existing study primarily concentrates on contextual information within nearby frames and neglects the spatiotemporal relationship. Certain studies acknowledge the importance of both facial and body posture information, primarily focusing on developing fusion techniques to enhance emotion recognition performance. Nevertheless, several constraints persist that these studies did not thoroughly examine. In response, this paper revisits the study of facial expression and body gesture, proposing an improvement in video emotion recognition by extracting the spatiotemporal features.

Facial expression sequence data is distinct from static images which includes both spatial and temporal aspects. For analyzing facial expressions, the paper propose SISTCM .This model aggregates video frames into two super images in the axis of width and height ,enabling 2D convolution to capture the local Spatiotemporal facial expression features.

The shared convolution kernels across the two super images facilitate collaborative learning of local spatiotemporal features from different perspectives. Additionally, they introduce a Two-Stream LSTM model to capture global temporal cues, considering the progressive relationship of emotion expressions over time.

The Two-stream LSTM model integrates clip-level emotion representations and local Spatiotemporal features as input to generate the final recognition outcome, and blend these to enhance facial expression recognition performance. The entire facial expression recognition framework is designed as an end-to-end model and optimized through multistage supervised learning to enhance recognition performance.

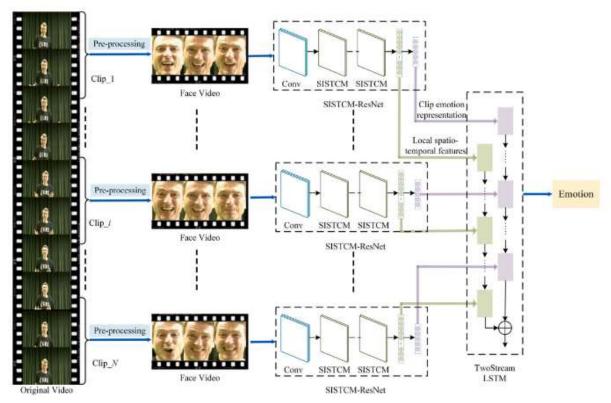


Fig 1.1. The framework of facial expression-based emotion recognition system.

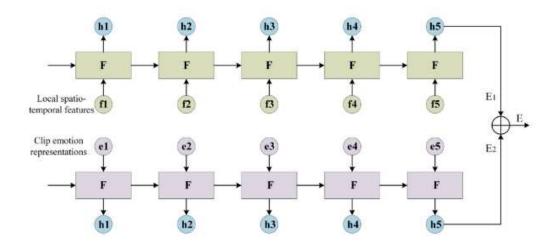


Fig 1.2 The model structure of two stream LSTM

For analyzing body gesture, they introduce body gesture representation method. The method utilizes body join movement, where the representation of body gesture is constructed using data from 25 distinct body joints. Initially this method detects the position of key points and records the changes in their positions over time.

Subsequently, the changes in joint positions are aggregated over time to capture the time-dependent relationships inherent in body gestures. Using this representation, we introduce an attention-based channel-wise convolutional model (ACCM) to learn features from the joints and recognize emotions. The ACCM effectively preserves the unique characteristics of each joint through channel-wise convolutional layers, while capitalizing on key features using an attention mechanism.

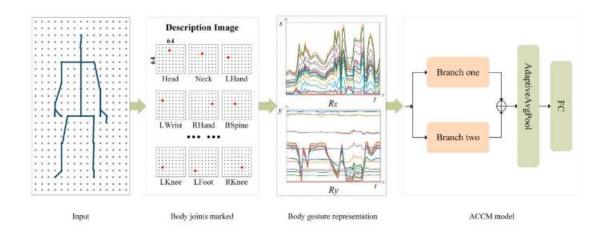


Fig 1.3 The framework of body gesture-based emotion recognition

To verify the effectiveness of the methods used for facial expression recognition and body posture recognition and the performance, we explore different fusion mechanisms. Utilizing the distinct advantages and complementary aspects of both visual modalities, our approach aims to optimize emotion recognition performance.

2. Method for facial expression:

2.1 video pre-processing:

We have got three dataset for recognizing facial expressions and they are eNTERFACE05, CK+ and Aff-Wild2. In the first stage of preprocessing we first extract all the frames from the video .The next stage is to use the DBFace model to detect and crop the frames that only contain facial parts. Further we divide each video into C clips and each clips contain certain number of frames for processing .It enables a more systematic analysis of emotional expressions while expanding the dataset and preventing over fitting to some extent.

2.2 Spatiotemporal features extraction:

To extract spatiotemporal features we use SISTCM, we sample T frames for each clip to learn about spatiotemporal relationships of complete frames which reduce the computational complexity the concept is to conceptualize the video sequence as a stack of frames along different axes capturing spatial and temporal features.

By stacking frames along H and W dimensions, two super image are generated H× WT and HT×W. This arrangement preserves spatial information from individual frames while also encoding temporal dependencies between consecutive frames. SISTCM uses 3×3 2D convolution to learn Spatiotemporal features.

In SISTCM each clip of data is in the shape of H×W×T that servers as the input. Initially the sistem convert the input into two super image H× WT and HT×W.then 3×3 2D convolution are applied to these super image, with convolutional kernels ,to extract local spatiotemporal features efficiently. At last the obtained two spatiotemporal feature maps, denoted as XH and XW are first reverted to their original dimension H×W×T Then, they are combined using a weighted fusion technique to produce the final result.

The two feature maps are connected and then processed through a fully-connected layer followed by a softmax layer to compute weights:

$$\alpha = Softmax[W\alpha(XH, XW)]$$

We use the ResNet18 and SISTCM model to extract local spatiotemporal feature and clip-level emotion representation .We use FC for sentiment classification to obtain the clip-level emotion representation.

2.3: Two-stream LSTM model:

They propose a 2-stream LSTM model to learn global temporal cues for facial expression recognition. The approach involves treating the local spatiotemporal feature sequence as the feature stream and the clip-level emotion representations as the emotion stream. The feature stream is responsible for conducting emotion recognition, resulting in the emotion vector E1 derived from local spatiotemporal features.

Meanwhile, the emotion stream is trained to derive emotion vector E2 from clip-level emotion representations. Subsequently, the final video emotional state E is attained by fusing both emotion vectors.

2.4 Multi-stage supervision:

To ensure that the recognized emotion at each stage aligns closely with the label throughout the entire recognition process, we introduce a multi-stage supervised learning approach. By doing so, the model receives guidance and feedback at every stage of Processing, resulting in comprehensive training and alignment between the predicted emotions and the ground truth labels.

After obtaining the clip-level emotion representations post SISTCM-ResNet18, we compute the L1 Cross-Entropy-Loss between these representations and the corresponding labels. The L1 loss is given by:

$$L1 = -\sum \log(pc)$$
,

Where pc is the estimated probability for the c-th example.

Similarly, within the two-stream LSTM module, Cross-Entropy-Loss is employed to supervise the emotion vectors of both the feature stream and the emotion stream, denoted as L2 loss and L3 loss, respectively.

Thus, the final loss L is formulated as:

$$L = L1 + \lambda L2 + \mu L3$$

Where λ and μ are equilibrium coefficients, allowing for balanced weighing between the various loss components.

3. Method for body gesture

3.1Body joints marked:

The position data of key joints in each frame of the video is obtained using methods like Open Pose. The position data consist of (x,y) coordinates of each joint. Identify and select key joints relevant for gesture representation. In this paper 25 body joints are selected as key joints.

3.2 Body gesture representation:

Choose a temporal relationship function W(t) to assign weights to the descriptive images base on their timestamps.

Linear relationship : W(t) = (T/T-1)(t-1)

For each descriptive image It, corresponding weighted representation Gt = Tt * W(t), Sum up the weighted representations to obtain final body gesture representation $G = \sum Gt$. The final body gesture representation G is obtained, consisting of 25 channels corresponding to the key joints. By following these steps, a body gesture representation without a timeline is constructed.

3.3 ACCM model:

Attention based convolutional models consist of two branches. The first branch contains two blocks, each composed of a convolutional layer, and a ReLU layer .The second layer includes a channel-wise convolutional layer, attention layer, and the same blocks as the first branch. These branches operate independently and then are aggregated. Input to this ACCM is the body gesture representations obtained from the previous step. The outputs from the two branches are aggregated, possibly by concatenation, to combine the extracted features from both branches. AN adaptive AvgPooling layer is applied to adaptively reduce the spatial dimensions of the features. A softmax layer is employed for classification, producing the final emotion label. This model handles body gesture representations which preserves simplified information as compared to the original input. This model does not require pretraining, making it efficient. No of parameters is also smaller than ResNet18.

3.3.1 Channel-wise Convolutional Layer:

Each channel of the input tensor undergoes independent convolution operations. For each channel, a separate convolution is applied between the channel and its corresponding kernel. Element-wise multiplication occurs between the input region and the kernel, followed by summation to produce a single value in the output feature map. This process repeats for each spatial location dimension as the input.

3.3.2 Attention Layer:

In emotion recognition the importance of each body's joints may vary. To address this attention layer is introduced. The weight and biases of the fully-connected layers are initialized using random sampling from a uniformly distributed range U[-a, a].

$$a = \sqrt{6} nin + nout$$

nin and *nou*t represent the number of input and output channels, respectively. Once the weights are obtained, they are applied to the original input. Each channel of the original input is multiplied element-wise by its corresponding attention weight to obtain the result.

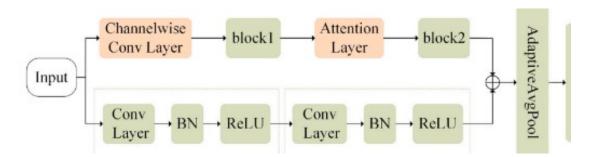


Fig 1.4 The structure of ACCM.

MERITS AND DEMERITS

Merits:

- Consideration of both spatial and temporal relationship
- Use of two-stream LSTM improves the performance
- This ACCM model handles body gesture representations which preserves simplified information as compared to the original input.
- This ACCM model does not require pre-training, making it efficient.
- Number of parameters is also lesser as compared to ResNet18.
- Fusion of facial expression-based and body gesture-based methods, which effectively improves the accuracy of emotion recognition. This highlights the importance of leveraging multiple modalities for enhancing performance

Demerits:

- Lack of External Validation and limited use of datasets.
- Limited Discussion on Generalizability.

IMPLEMENTATION

1 .Video Pre Processing:

```
#EXTRACT FRAMES FROM ALL VIDEOS IN eINTERFACE DATASET
import os
import cv2
# Path to the root folder of your video database
root folder = "D:/125003447 SHREYA/III YEAR/SEMESTER
6/MiniProject/Datasets/eINTERFACE05/enterface database"
# Define the output folder where frames will be saved
output folder = "D:/125003447 SHREYA/III YEAR/SEMESTER
6/MiniProject/Datasets/eINTERFACE05/preprocess output"
# Define the frame skip interval (e.g., extract every 10th frame)
frame skip = 3
# Function to extract frames from a video
def extract frames (video path, output path):
   vidcap = cv2.VideoCapture(video path)
   success, image = vidcap.read()
   count = 0
   while success:
       if count % frame_skip == 0:
           frame output path = os.path.join(output path, "frame %d.jpg" % count)
            cv2.imwrite(frame output path, image)
        success, image = vidcap.read()
        count += 1
   vidcap.release()
# Iterate over each subject folder
for subject folder in os.listdir(root folder):
    subject path = os.path.join(root folder, subject folder)
    if os.path.isdir(subject path):
        # Iterate over each emotion folder
        for emotion folder in os.listdir(subject path):
            emotion path = os.path.join(subject path, emotion folder)
            if os.path.isdir(emotion path):
                # Iterate over each sentence folder
                for sentence folder in os.listdir(emotion path):
                    sentence path = os.path.join(emotion path, sentence folder)
                    if os.path.isdir(sentence path):
                        # Iterate over each .avi video file in the sentence folder
                        for video file in os.listdir(sentence path):
                            if video file.endswith(".avi"):
                                video path = os.path.join(sentence path, video file)
                                output path = os.path.join(output folder,
subject folder, emotion folder, sentence folder, os.path.splitext(video file)[0])
                                os.makedirs(output path, exist ok=True)
                                extract frames (video path, output path)
```

2. Facial expression recognition:

SISTCM-LSTM Model:

```
import torch
import torch.nn as nn
import torchvision.transforms as transforms
from torch.utils.data import Dataset, DataLoader
from sklearn.metrics import confusion_matrix
import numpy as np
import seaborn as sns
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from PIL import Image
import os
# Define transforms for the input images
transform = transforms.Compose([
   transforms.Resize((224, 224)), # Resize images to 224x224
    transforms.ToTensor(),
                                   # Convert images to tensors
    transforms.Normalize(mean=[0.485, 0.456, 0.406], std=[0.229, 0.224, 0.225]) #
Normalize images
class CustomDataset(Dataset):
   def init (self, root dir):
       self.root dir = root dir
       self.subjects = os.listdir(root dir)
       self.data = self. load data()
       self.classes = self._get_classes() # Get unique classes
def load data(self):
       data = []
       for subject in self.subjects:
emotions = os.listdir(os.path.join(self.root dir, subject))
            for emotion in emotions:
               sentences = os.listdir(os.path.join(self.root dir, subject, emotion))
               for sentence in sentences:
                    images = os.listdir(os.path.join(self.root dir, subject, emotion,
sentence))
                    for i, image file in enumerate(images):
                       image_path = os.path.join(self.root_dir, subject, emotion,
sentence, image_file)
                       data.append((image_path, i, emotion)) # (image path, sentence
index, emotion label)
       return data
   def get classes(self):
       classes = []
        for , , emotion in self.data:
            if emotion not in classes:
               classes.append(emotion)
       return classes
     def len (self):
       return len(self.data)
     def __getitem__(self, idx):
       image_path, sentence_idx, emotion = self.data[idx]
        try:
           image = Image.open(image_path).convert('RGB')
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```
except (FileNotFoundError, PermissionError) as e:
            print(f"Error loading image: {e}")
            # Return None or a placeholder image here, or skip this sample
            return None, None, None
        # Perform any necessary preprocessing on the image here
        return image, sentence_idx, self.classes.index(emotion) # Return class index
instead of emotion string
# Define custom collate function
def custom collate(batch):
   images = []
   labels = []
    for item in batch:
        image, sentence idx, label = item
        if image is not None:
           images.append(image)
           labels.append(label)
    # Apply transforms
    images = [transform(image) for image in images]
    # Stack images and labels
    images = torch.stack(images)
   labels = torch.tensor(labels)
    return images, labels
# Example usage
dataset = CustomDataset(root dir='preprocess output')
train size = int(0.8 * len(dataset))
test size = len(dataset) - train size
train_dataset, test_dataset = torch.utils.data.random_split(dataset, [train_size,
test size])
train dataloader = DataLoader(train dataset, batch size=32, shuffle=True,
collate fn=custom collate)
test dataloader = DataLoader(test dataset, batch size=32, shuffle=False,
collate fn=custom collate)
# Define SISTCM model
class SISTCM(nn.Module):
    def __init__(self, num_classes):
        super(SISTCM, self).__init__()
        self.conv1 = nn.Conv2d(in channels=3, out channels=64, kernel size=7, stride=2,
padding=3)
        self.maxpool = nn.MaxPool2d(kernel size=3, stride=2, padding=1)
        self.sistcm1 = self. make layer(64, 64, 2, 1)
        self.sistcm2 = self. make layer(64, 128, 2, 2)
        self.sistcm3 = self. make layer(128, 256, 2, 2)
        self.sistcm4 = self. make layer(256, 512, 2, 2)
        self.avgpool = nn.AdaptiveAvgPool2d((1, 1))
        self.fc = nn.Linear(512, num classes)
        self.spatio_temporal_fc = nn.Linear(512, num_classes) # Adjust output size if
needed
    def _make_layer(self, in_channels, out_channels, num_blocks, stride):
        layers = []
        for in range(num blocks):
            layers.append(nn.Conv2d(in channels, out channels, kernel size=3,
stride=stride, padding=1))
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```
layers.append(nn.BatchNorm2d(out channels))
           layers.append(nn.ReLU(inplace=True))
            in channels = out channels
            stride = 1 # Reset stride for subsequent blocks
        return nn.Sequential(*layers)
   def forward(self, x):
       x = self.conv1(x)
       x = self.maxpool(x)
       x = self.sistcm1(x)
       x = self.sistcm2(x)
       x = self.sistcm3(x)
       spatio temporal feature sequence = self.sistcm4(x) # Output for spatio-temporal
feature sequence
       x = self.avgpool(spatio temporal feature sequence)
       x = torch.flatten(x, 1)
        # Output for clip-level emotion representation sequence
       clip level emotion sequence = self.fc(x)
        # Additional output for spatio-temporal feature sequence
        spatio temporal output = self.spatio temporal fc(x)
        return spatio_temporal_feature_sequence, clip_level_emotion_sequence,
spatio_temporal_output
class TwoStreamLSTM(nn.Module):
    def init (self, input size, hidden size, num classes):
        super(TwoStreamLSTM, self).__init__()
self.lstm_feature = nn.LSTM(input_size=input_size, hidden_size=hidden_size,
batch first=True)
        self.lstm emotion = nn.LSTM(input size=input size, hidden size=hidden size,
batch first=True)
        self.fc = nn.Linear(hidden size * 2, num classes)
    def forward(self, feature sequence, emotion sequence):
        # Assuming feature sequence and emotion sequence are both 3D tensors
        _, (h_feature, _) = self.lstm_feature(feature_sequence)
        _, (h_emotion, _) = self.lstm_emotion(emotion_sequence)
        # Get the last hidden state (output) of each LSTM
       h feature last = h feature[-1]
       h emotion last = h emotion[-1]
        # Concatenate the last hidden states
        fused features = torch.cat((h feature last, h emotion last), dim=1)
       output = self.fc(fused features)
       return output
# Define the number of classes
num classes = len(dataset.classes) # Number of classes in the dataset
# Instantiate SISTCM model with the specified number of classes
sistcm model = SISTCM(num classes)
# Instantiate Two-stream LSTM model
input_size = 512  # Size of spatio-temporal feature sequence
hidden_size = 128
num classes = len(dataset.classes) # Number of classes in the dataset
two stream lstm model = TwoStreamLSTM(input size, hidden size, num classes)
device = torch.device('cuda' if torch.cuda.is available() else 'cpu')
                                 sistcm model.to(device)
```

```
two stream 1stm model.to(device)
# Define loss function and optimizer
criterion = nn.CrossEntropyLoss()
optimizer = torch.optim.Adam(list(sistcm_model.parameters()) +
list(two_stream_lstm_model.parameters()), lr=0.001)
# Evaluation function
def evaluate with confusion matrix (model, dataloader):
   model.eval()
   all preds = []
   all labels = []
   correct = 0
   total = 0
   with torch.no_grad():
        for images, labels in dataloader:
            images = images.to(device)
           labels = labels.to(device)
           spatio_temporal_feature_sequence, clip_level_emotion_sequence,
spatio temporal output = sistcm model(images)
           batch size, channels, height, width = spatio temporal feature sequence.size()
spatio_temporal_feature_sequence = spatio_temporal_feature_sequence.view(batch_size,
channels, -1)
            clip_level_emotion_sequence =
clip level emotion sequence.unsqueeze(1).expand(-1,
spatio temporal feature sequence.size(2), -1)
            lstm output = two stream lstm model(spatio temporal feature sequence,
clip level emotion sequence)
            _, predicted = torch.max(lstm output.data, 1)
            total += labels.size(0)
           correct += (predicted == labels).sum().item()
            all preds.extend(predicted.cpu().numpy())
           all labels.extend(labels.cpu().numpy())
   accuracy = correct / total
   cm = confusion matrix(all labels, all preds)
   return accuracy, cm
# Initialize lists to store true labels and predicted labels
true labels = []
predicted labels = []
# Training loop with validation
num_epochs = 4
for epoch in range (num epochs):
   sistcm model.train()
   running loss = 0.0
   correct train = 0
   total train = 0
    for i, (images, labels) in enumerate(train_dataloader):
       images = images.to(device)
       labels = labels.to(device)
       spatio_temporal_feature_sequence, clip_level_emotion_sequence,
spatio_temporal_output = sistcm_model(images)
          batch_size, channels, height, width = spatio_temporal_feature_sequence.size()
spatio temporal feature sequence = spatio temporal feature sequence.view(batch size,
channels, -1)
       clip level emotion sequence = clip level emotion sequence.unsqueeze(1).expand(-1,
spatio temporal feature sequence.size(2), -1)
```

```
1stm output = two stream 1stm model(spatio temporal feature sequence,
clip level emotion sequence)
        loss = criterion(lstm_output, labels)
        optimizer.zero_grad()
        loss.backward()
        optimizer.step()
       # Accumulate statistics
        running_loss += loss.item()
        _, predicted = torch.max(lstm_output.data, 1)
        total train += labels.size(0)
        correct train += (predicted == labels).sum().item()
       print freq=100
       if (i+1) % print freq== 0:
             print(f'Epoch [{epoch+1}/{num epochs}], Step
[{i+1}/{len(train dataloader)}], Loss: {running loss/print freq:.4f}, Accuracy:
{(correct train/total train) * 100:.2f}%')
             running loss = 0.0
             correct train = 0
             total train = 0
         true labels.extend(labels.cpu().numpy())
        predicted labels.extend(predicted.cpu().numpy())
val_accuracy, confusion = evaluate_with_confusion_matrix(sistcm_model, test_dataloader)
print(f'Validation Accuracy: {val accuracy:.4f}')
print('Confusion Matrix:')
print(confusion)
conf matrix = confusion matrix(true labels, predicted labels)
plt.figure(figsize=(10, 8))
sns.heatmap(conf matrix, annot=True, fmt='d', cmap='Blues', xticklabels=dataset.classes,
yticklabels=dataset.classes)
plt.xlabel('Predicted labels')
plt.ylabel('True labels')
plt.title('Confusion Matrix')
plt.show()
print('Training finished!')
3. Body Gesture recognition:
import os
import torch
import torchvision.transforms as transforms
from torch.utils.data import DataLoader, Dataset, random split
from PIL import Image
import torch.nn as nn
import numpy as np
class CNNWithAttention(nn.Module):
    def __init__(self, input_channels, num_classes):
    super(CNNWithAttention, self).__init__()
        self.branch1 conv1 = nn.Conv2d(input channels, 64, kernel size=3, padding=1)
        self.branch1_bn1 = nn.BatchNorm2d(64)
self.branch1_relu1 = nn.ReLU()
        self.branch1_conv2 = nn.Conv2d(64, 64, kernel_size=3, padding=1)
        self.branch1_bn2 = nn.BatchNorm2d(64)
        self.branch1 relu2 = nn.ReLU()
```

self.branch2 conv = nn.Conv2d(input channels, 64, kernel size=3, padding=1)

Branch 2

nn.Sigmoid()

```
self.branch2_conv1 = nn.Conv2d(64, 64, kernel_size=3, padding=1)
self.branch2_bn1 = nn.BatchNorm2d(64)
        self.branch2 relu1 = nn.ReLU()
        self.branch2_conv2 = nn.Conv2d(64, 64, kernel_size=3, padding=1)
self.branch2_bn2 = nn.BatchNorm2d(64)
        self.branch2 relu2 = nn.ReLU()
        # Aggregation and Classification
        self.avgpool = nn.AdaptiveAvgPool2d((1, 1))
        self.fc = nn.Linear(128, num_classes) # Adjusted input size for fully connected
layer
        self.softmax = nn.Softmax(dim=1)
    def forward(self, x):
        # Branch 1
        out1 = self.branch1 relu1(self.branch1 bn1(self.branch1 conv1(x)))
        out1 = self.branch1 relu2(self.branch1 bn2(self.branch1 conv2(out1)))
        # Branch 2
        out2 = self.branch2 conv(x)
        att weights = self.branch2 att(out2)
        out\overline{2} = torch.mul(out2, att_weights)
        out2 = self.branch2_relu1(self.branch2_bn1(self.branch2_conv1(out2)))
        out2 = self.branch2 relu2(self.branch2 bn2(self.branch2 conv2(out2)))
        # Aggregation
        out = torch.cat((out1, out2), dim=1)
        out = self.avgpool(out)
        out = out.view(out.size(0), -1)
        out = self.fc(out)
        out = self.softmax(out)
        return out
class EmotionDataset(Dataset):
    def __init__(self, root_dir, transform=None, stride=1):
        self.root dir = root dir
        self.transform = transform
        self.classes = os.listdir(root dir)
        self.class_to_idx = {cls_name: idx for idx, cls_name in enumerate(self.classes)}
        self.images = self._load_images(stride)
def load images (self, stride):
        images = []
         for class_name in self.classes:
             class dir = os.path.join(self.root dir, class name)
             image list = sorted(os.listdir(class_dir))
             for i in range(0, len(image list), stride):
                 img_path = os.path.join(class_dir, img_name)
                 images.append((img path, self.class to idx[class name]))
        return images
        __len__(self):
return len(self.images)
    def __getitem__(self, idx):
         img path, label = self.images[idx]
        img = Image.open(img_path).convert('RGB')
        if self.transform:
             img = self.transform(img)
        return img, label
# Define data transformation
transform = transforms.Compose([
    transforms.Resize((224, 224)),
    transforms.ToTensor(),
    transforms.Normalize((0.5, 0.5, 0.5), (0.5, 0.5, 0.5))
])
# Define dataset path
dataset path = "Datasets/RAF DB/train"
dataset = EmotionDataset (dataset path, transform=transform)
```

```
# Split dataset into training and testing sets
train size = int(0.8 * len(dataset))
test size = len(dataset) - train size
train_dataset, test_dataset = random_split(dataset, [train_size, test_size])
# Define DataLoader for training and testing sets
batch size = 32
train loader = DataLoader(train dataset, batch size=batch size, shuffle=True)
test loader = DataLoader(test dataset, batch size=batch size)
# Instantiate the model
input channels = 3
num classes = len(dataset.classes)
model = ACCM(input channels, num classes)
# Define loss function and optimizer
criterion = nn.CrossEntropyLoss()
optimizer = torch.optim.Adam(model.parameters(), lr=0.001)
num epochs = 10
for epoch in range(num_epochs):
    model.train()
    running_loss = 0.0
    correct = 0
    total = 0
    for i, (inputs, labels) in enumerate(train loader):
        optimizer.zero grad()
        outputs = model(inputs)
        loss = criterion(outputs, labels)
        loss.backward()
        optimizer.step()
       # Calculate training accuracy
         , predicted = torch.max(outputs.data, 1)
        total += labels.size(0)
        correct += (predicted == labels).sum().item()
        running loss += loss.item()
        if i \% \overline{5} == 0: # Print every 10 mini-batches
            print('[%d, %5d] loss: %.3f | accuracy: %.2f %%' % (epoch + 1, i + 1,
running_loss / 10, 100 * correct / total))
            running_loss = 0.0
# Evaluation on the testing set
model.eval()
total = 0
with torch.no_grad():
    for inputs, labels in test loader:
        outputs = model(inputs)
        , predicted = torch.max(outputs.data, 1)
        total += labels.size(0)
        correct += (predicted == labels).sum().item()
accuracy = 100 * correct / total
print('Finished Epoch %d. Test Accuracy: %.2f %%' % (epoch + 1, accuracy))
print('Finished Training')
4.Bimodal Fusion:
import torch
import torch.nn as nn
{\tt import torch.optim} \ {\tt as optim}
from torch.utils.data import DataLoader, Dataset, random_split
from torchvision import transforms
from PIL import Image
import os
class SISTCM(nn.Module):
    def init (self, num classes):
        super(SISTCM, self). init ()
```

```
self.conv1 = nn.Conv2d(in_channels=3, out_channels=64, kernel_size=7,
                                stride=2, padding=3)
        self.maxpool = nn.MaxPool2d(kernel size=3, stride=2, padding=1)
        self.sistcm1 = self. make layer(64, 64, 2, 1)
        self.sistcm2 = self. make layer(64, 128, 2, 2)
        self.sistcm3 = self. make layer(128, 256, 2, 2)
        self.sistcm4 = self. make layer(256, 512, 2, 2)
        self.avgpool = nn.AdaptiveAvgPool2d((1, 1))
        self.fc = nn.Linear(512, num classes)
        # Additional layers for spatio-temporal feature sequence output
        self.spatio_temporal_fc = nn.Linear(512, num_classes) # Adjust output size
if needed
    def make layer(self, in channels, out channels, num blocks, stride):
        layers = []
        for _ in range(num_blocks):
            layers.append(nn.Conv2d(in channels, out channels, kernel size=3,
stride=stride, padding=1))
            layers.append(nn.BatchNorm2d(out channels))
            layers.append(nn.ReLU(inplace=True))
            in channels = out channels
            stride = 1 # Reset stride for subsequent blocks
        return nn.Sequential(*layers)
# Define a simple LSTM model
class TwostreamLSTM(nn.Module):
   def __init__(self, input_size, hidden_size, num_layers, num_classes=3):
        super(SimpleLSTM, self).__init__()
        self.hidden size = hidden size
        self.num layers = num layers
        self.lstm = nn.LSTM(input_size, hidden_size, num_layers, batch first=True)
        self.fc = nn.Linear(hidden_size, num_classes)
    def forward(self, x):
       batch_size, _, _, _ = x.size()
       x = x.view(batch size, -1, x.size(3))
       h0 = torch.zeros(self.num layers, x.size(0), self.hidden size).to(x.device)
       c0 = torch.zeros(self.num layers, x.size(0), self.hidden size).to(x.device)
       out, _{-} = self.lstm(x, (h0, c0))
       out = self.fc(out[:, -1, :])
       return out
class ACCM(nn.Module):
    def init (self, num classes=3):
        super(AnotherConvolutionalClassifier, self). init ()
        self.features = nn.Sequential(
            nn.Conv2d(3, 32, kernel size=3, stride=1, padding=1),
            nn.ReLU(inplace=True),
            nn.MaxPool2d(kernel size=2, stride=2),
            nn.Conv2d(32, 64, kernel size=3, stride=1, padding=1),
            nn.ReLU(inplace=True),
            nn.MaxPool2d(kernel size=2, stride=2)
        )
```

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self.classifier = nn.Sequential(
            nn.Linear(64 * 56 * 56, 128),
           nn.ReLU(inplace=True),
           nn.Linear(128, num classes)
        )
    def forward(self, x):
       x = self.features(x)
       x = torch.flatten(x, 1)
       x = self.classifier(x)
       return x
# Define FusionModel
class FusionModel(nn.Module):
    def init (self, lstm model, cnn model):
        super(FusionModel, self). init ()
        self.lstm model = lstm model
        self.cnn model = cnn model
    def forward(self, x):
        lstm output = self.lstm model(x)
        cnn output = self.cnn model(x)
        fused_output = torch.max(lstm_output, cnn_output)
        return fused_output
# Define custom dataset class
# Define custom dataset class
class EmotionDataset(Dataset):
    def __init__(self, root_dir, transform=None, stride=1,
max_images_per_folder=100):
        self.root dir = root dir
        self.transform = transform
        self.classes = ['1', '2', '3'] # Labels from folders
        self.class to idx = {cls name: idx for idx, cls name in
enumerate(self.classes) }
        self.images = self. load images(stride, max images per folder)
def load images(self, stride, max images per folder):
        images = []
        for class_name in self.classes:
            class dir = os.path.join(self.root dir, class name)
            if not os.path.isdir(class dir):
                continue # Skip if the directory doesn't exist
            image_list = sorted(os.listdir(class_dir))[:max_images_per_folder]
            for i in range(0, len(image_list), stride):
                img name = image list[i]
                img path = os.path.join(class dir, img name)
                images.append((img path, self.class to idx[class name]))
        return images
    def len (self):
        return len(self.images)
    def __getitem__(self, idx):
        img_path, label = self.images[idx]
        img = Image.open(img path).convert('RGB')
        if self.transform:
           img = self.transform(img)
        return img, label
```

```
transform = transforms.Compose([
   transforms.Resize((224, 224)),
    transforms.ToTensor(),
    transforms.Normalize((0.5, 0.5, 0.5), (0.5, 0.5, 0.5))
1)
# Define dataset path
dataset path = "DATASET/train"
custom dataset = EmotionDataset(root dir=dataset path, transform=transform,
max images per folder=100)
# Split dataset into training and testing sets
train size = int(0.8 * len(custom dataset))
test size = len(custom dataset) - train size
train dataset, test dataset = random split(custom dataset, [train size, test size])
# Define DataLoader for training and testing sets
batch size = 32
train loader = DataLoader(train dataset, batch size=batch size, shuffle=True)
test loader = DataLoader(test dataset, batch size=batch size, shuffle=False)
# Define the models
lstm model = TwostreamLSTM(input size=224, hidden size=64, num layers=1,
num classes=3)
cnn_model = ACCM(num_classes=3)
# Define your fusion model
fusion_model = FusionModel(lstm_model, cnn_model)
# Define loss function and optimizer
criterion = nn.CrossEntropyLoss()
optimizer = optim.Adam(fusion model.parameters(), lr=0.001)
num epochs = 10
for epoch in range(num_epochs):
    fusion_model.train()
    running loss = 0.0
    correct predictions = 0
    total samples = 0
for images, labels in train loader:
       optimizer.zero grad()
       outputs = fusion model(images)
       loss = criterion(outputs, labels)
       loss.backward()
        optimizer.step()
       running loss += loss.item() * images.size(0)
        , predicted = torch.max(outputs, 1)
        correct predictions += (predicted == labels).sum().item()
        total samples += labels.size(0)
    epoch_loss = running_loss / total_samples
    epoch accuracy = correct predictions / total samples
    print(f"Epoch [{epoch+1}/{num epochs}], Loss: {epoch loss:.4f}, Accuracy:
{epoch accuracy:.4f}")
fusion model.eval()
correct_predictions = 0
total samples = 0
with torch.no grad():
    for images, labels in test loader:
       outputs = fusion_model(images)
        _, predicted = torch.max(outputs, 1)
        correct predictions += (predicted == labels).sum().item()
        total samples += labels.size(0)
test accuracy = correct predictions / total samples
print(f"Test Accuracy: {test accuracy:.4f}")
```

SANPSHOT

1. Sample Output of preprocessing:



Fig 4.1 sample output of video preprocessing

2. Facial recognition output:

Output for CK+ Dataset:

```
Epoch [1/15], Step [10/25], Loss: 1.8117, Accuracy: 37.50% Epoch [1/15], Step [20/25], Loss: 1.4158, Accuracy: 50.62% Epoch [2/15], Step [10/25], Loss: 0.9776, Accuracy: 63.75% Epoch [2/15], Step [10/25], Loss: 0.9776, Accuracy: 63.75% Epoch [2/15], Step [20/25], Loss: 0.8937, Accuracy: 65.31% Epoch [3/15], Step [10/25], Loss: 0.7203, Accuracy: 74.69% Epoch [3/15], Step [10/25], Loss: 0.7203, Accuracy: 74.69% Epoch [3/15], Step [20/25], Loss: 0.6782, Accuracy: 74.69% Epoch [4/15], Step [10/25], Loss: 0.4955, Accuracy: 81.56% Epoch [4/15], Step [20/25], Loss: 0.4955, Accuracy: 81.86% Epoch [5/15], Step [10/25], Loss: 0.3967, Accuracy: 87.81% Epoch [5/15], Step [20/25], Loss: 0.3967, Accuracy: 87.81% Epoch [6/15], Step [20/25], Loss: 0.3929, Accuracy: 87.19% Epoch [6/15], Step [10/25], Loss: 0.3929, Accuracy: 90.94% Epoch [7/15], Step [10/25], Loss: 0.3469, Accuracy: 93.44% Epoch [7/15], Step [10/25], Loss: 0.2469, Accuracy: 93.44% Epoch [8/15], Step [20/25], Loss: 0.1632, Accuracy: 94.38% Epoch [8/15], Step [10/25], Loss: 0.118, Accuracy: 97.81% Epoch [9/15], Step [10/25], Loss: 0.1180, Accuracy: 94.38% Epoch [9/15], Step [10/25], Loss: 0.1367, Accuracy: 94.38% Epoch [9/15], Step [10/25], Loss: 0.1367, Accuracy: 94.38% Epoch [10/15], Step [20/25], Loss: 0.1367, Accuracy: 95.00% Epoch [10/15], Step [20/25], Loss: 0.1367, Accuracy: 95.00% Epoch [10/15], Step [20/25], Loss: 0.1367, Accuracy: 95.00% Epoch [11/15], Step [20/25], Loss: 0.1387, Accuracy: 95.00% Epoch [11/15], Step [20/25], Loss: 0.10474, Accuracy: 95.00% Epoch [11/15], Step [20/25], Loss: 0.0474, Accuracy: 97.50% Epoch [11/15], Step [20/25], Loss: 0.0610, Accuracy: 97.50% Epoch [13/15], Step [20/25], Loss: 0.0707, Accuracy: 97.81% Epoch [13/15], Step [20/25], Loss: 0.0707, Accuracy: 97.83% Epoch [13/15], Step [20/25], Loss: 0.0709, Accuracy: 97.88% Epoch [13/15], Step [20/25]
```

Fig 4.2 output of ck+ dataset

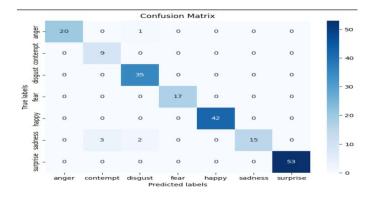


Fig 4.3 confusion matrix of ck+ dataset

Output for eINTERFACE:

```
Epoch [1/4], Step [100/765], Loss: 1.7888, Accuracy: 19.31%
      [1/4], Step
                  [200/765], Loss: 1.7798, Accuracy: 22.50%
Epoch [1/4], Step
                  [300/765], Loss: 1.7205, Accuracy: 26.75%
Epoch
      [1/4], Step
                  [400/765], Loss: 1.6174, Accuracy: 31.72%
     [1/4], Step
Epoch
                  [500/765], Loss: 1.5118, Accuracy: 37.03%
      [1/4], Step
                  [600/765], Loss: 1.3531, Accuracy: 45.75%
     [1/4], Step
                  [700/765], Loss: 1.2460, Accuracy: 50.53%
Epoch
      [2/4], Step
                  [100/765], Loss: 1.0097, Accuracy: 60.66%
      [2/4], Step
                  [200/765], Loss: 0.9326, Accuracy: 64.75%
Epoch
      [2/4], Step
                  [300/765], Loss: 0.7862, Accuracy: 70.97%
Epoch
Epoch
      [2/4], Step
                  [400/765], Loss: 0.7765, Accuracy: 70.88%
      [2/4], Step
                  [500/765], Loss: 0.6539, Accuracy: 75.41%
Epoch
                  [600/765], Loss: 0.6350, Accuracy: 77.22%
Epoch
      [2/4], Step
      [2/4], Step
                  [700/765], Loss: 0.5940, Accuracy: 78.47%
Epoch
      [3/4], Step
                  [100/765], Loss: 0.4907, Accuracy: 82.38%
Epoch
      [3/4], Step [200/765], Loss: 0.4501, Accuracy: 83.62%
Epoch
                 [300/765], Loss: 0.4236, Accuracy: 85.56%
Epoch
     [3/4], Step
      [3/4], Step [400/765], Loss: 0.4205, Accuracy: 84.38%
Epoch
Epoch
      [3/4], Step [500/765], Loss: 0.3661, Accuracy: 86.38%
Epoch
      [3/4], Step [600/765], Loss: 0.3481, Accuracy: 87.12%
Epoch
      [3/4], Step
                  [700/765], Loss: 0.3773, Accuracy: 86.75%
Epoch
     [4/4], Step [100/765], Loss: 0.3226, Accuracy: 89.06%
Epoch
      [4/4], Step
                  [200/765], Loss: 0.2797, Accuracy: 90.53%
Epoch
      [4/4], Step [300/765], Loss: 0.3000, Accuracy: 89.03%
      [4/4], Step
Epoch
                 [400/765], Loss: 0.2555, Accuracy: 91.47%
Epoch [4/4], Step [500/765], Loss: 0.2634, Accuracy: 90.88%
     [4/4], Step [600/765], Loss: 0.2525, Accuracy: 91.00%
Epoch [4/4], Step [700/765], Loss: 0.2305, Accuracy: 92.47%
Validation Accuracy: 0.9198
```

Fig 4.4 Output for eINTERFACE:

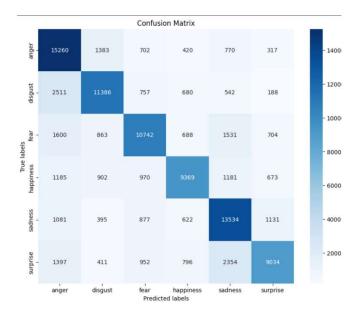


Fig 4.5 Confusion matrix of eINTERFACE

Output for FER2013:

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...p [000, , 10], 1000. 1.1200, ,.000. u.
Epoch [5/10], Step [200/718], Loss: 1.2152, Accura-
Epoch [5/10], Step [400/718], Loss: 1.2174, Accura-
Epoch [5/10], Step [600/718], Loss: 1.2068, Accura-
Epoch [6/10], Step [200/718], Loss: 1.1491, Accura-
Epoch [6/10], Step [400/718], Loss: 1.1218, Accura-
Epoch [6/10], Step [600/718], Loss: 1.1380, Accura-
Epoch [7/10], Step [200/718], Loss: 1.0733, Accura-
Epoch [7/10], Step [400/718], Loss: 1.0674, Accura-
Epoch [7/10], Step [600/718], Loss: 1.0847, Accura-
Epoch [8/10], Step [200/718], Loss: 0.9985, Accura-
Epoch [8/10], Step [400/718], Loss: 0.9998, Accura-
Epoch [8/10], Step [600/718], Loss: 1.0014, Accura-
Epoch [9/10], Step [200/718], Loss: 0.8800, Accura-
Epoch [9/10], Step [400/718], Loss: 0.9152, Accura-
Epoch [9/10], Step [600/718], Loss: 0.9440, Accura-
```

Fig 4.6 Output for FER2013

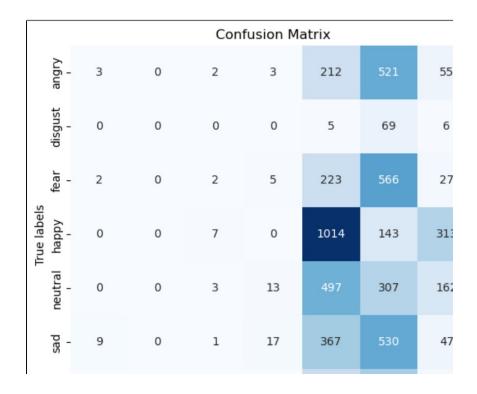


Fig 4.7 Confusion matrix of FER2013

BRED dataset output (CSV):

```
Epoch [1/10], Training Loss: 1.7564, Training Accuracy: 37.84%
Epoch [2/10], Training Loss: 1.7738, Training Accuracy: 40.36%
Epoch [3/10], Training Loss: 1.7602, Training Accuracy: 45.84%
Epoch [4/10], Training Loss: 1.8026, Training Accuracy: 50.99%
Epoch [5/10], Training Loss: 1.5455, Training Accuracy: 56.14%
Epoch [6/10], Training Loss: 1.5614, Training Accuracy: 56.85%
Epoch [7/10], Training Loss: 1.5170, Training Accuracy: 62.21%
Epoch [8/10], Training Loss: 1.7099, Training Accuracy: 64.44%
Epoch [9/10], Training Loss: 1.6369, Training Accuracy: 66.35%
Epoch [10/10], Training Loss: 1.6241, Training Accuracy: 68.23%
Testing Accuracy: 67.55%
```

Fig 3.7 BRED dataset output (CSV)

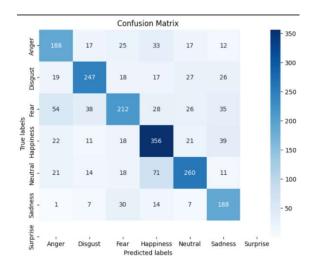


Fig 3.8 Confusion matrix of BRED dataset

3. Body Gesture recognition output:

Output for RAF_DB:



Fig 4.9 Output for RAF_DB

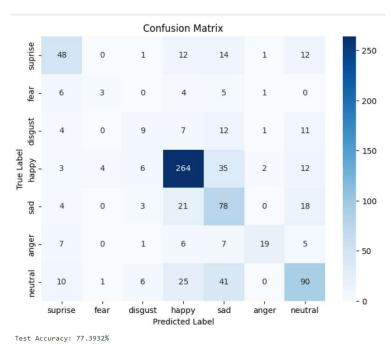


Fig 4.10 Confusion matrix of RAF DB

4. Bimodal fusion output:

Bimodal fusion maximum output:

```
Epoch [1/10], Loss: 2.0924, Accuracy: 0.1 Epoch [2/10], Loss: 1.1024, Accuracy: 0.1 Epoch [3/10], Loss: 1.0140, Accuracy: 0.4 Epoch [4/10], Loss: 0.9354, Accuracy: 0.4 Epoch [5/10], Loss: 0.8562, Accuracy: 0.4 Epoch [6/10], Loss: 0.7420, Accuracy: 0.4 Epoch [7/10], Loss: 0.5960, Accuracy: 0.4 Epoch [8/10], Loss: 0.4461, Accuracy: 0.4 Epoch [9/10], Loss: 0.3068, Accuracy: 0.5 Epoch [9/10], Ep
```

Fig 4.11 Bimodal fusion maximum output

Bimodal fusion average output:

```
Epoch [1/10], Loss: 1.9392, Accuracy: 0. Epoch [2/10], Loss: 1.0743, Accuracy: 0. Epoch [3/10], Loss: 1.0579, Accuracy: 0. Epoch [4/10], Loss: 0.9866, Accuracy: 0. Epoch [5/10], Loss: 0.9335, Accuracy: 0. Epoch [6/10], Loss: 0.8715, Accuracy: 0. Epoch [7/10], Loss: 0.7362, Accuracy: 0. Epoch [8/10], Loss: 0.6231, Accuracy: 0. Epoch [9/10], Loss: 0.5143, Accuracy: 0.
```

Fig 4.12 Bimodal fusion average output

Conclusion:

In this study, we leverage the distinct visual characteristics of facial expressions and body gestures and propose suitable methods for video emotion recognition. For facial expression sequences, we introduced the SISTCM model, which extracts local spatiotemporal features and learns clip-level emotional states. We then utilize a two-stream LSTM to further capture global temporal cues and refine emotion recognition. By fusing features and emotion pathways, the two-stream LSTM enhances accuracy significantly. For body gesture sequences, we present a body gesture representation method to represent gesture changes using joint information and develop the ACCM model for emotion recognition. This representation simplifies gesture information, reducing training complexity, while ACCM maximizes the advantages of key channel features and preserves their independence. Extensive experiments demonstrate the superiority of our proposed unimodal emotion recognition methods over alternatives. Furthermore, integrating facial expression and body gesture methods effectively enhances emotion recognition accuracy.

FUTURE WORK:

Human interactions rely heavily on emotions, and AI's ability to recognize and respond to emotions opens up numerous possibilities. By intelligently analyzing the emotional cues in videos, it becomes possible to better understand user emotions and enhance services, thereby boosting marketing competitiveness. Here are a few potential directions for the further scope of learning facial expression and body posture.

- 1. In future, we aim to disentangle identity attributes and prioritize the analysis of general emotional features.
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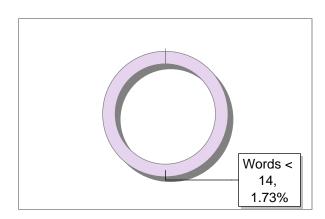
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Abstract

Human interactions are fundamentally based on emotions, and AI's capacity to perceive and react to emotions creates a plethora of opportunities. Intelligent analysis of emotional states conveyed by video aids in understanding the user's emotions and improves services to increase marketing competitiveness. Emotion recognition has a significant impact on human-computer interaction, educational practices, intelligent vehicles, marketing and mental health. According to recent studies, body language and facial expressions have a big role in determining emotions. However, the contextual information of neighboring frames is the primary focus of these studies, and the spatiotemporal relationships between distant or global frames are rarely explored.

The authors suggest enhancing the efficiency of video emotion recognition by extracting spatiotemporal features through additional temporal encoding. To capture the local Spatiotemporal features of the facial expressions, proposes a super image-based Spatiotemporal convolution model (SISTCM) for the modality of facial expressions. This is achieved by stacking the video frames into two super images along the width and height axes, and then applying 2D convolution. IN addition, a two-stream long short-term memory (LSTM) model is presented to acquire additional global temporal cues by considering the progressive relationship of emotion expressions over time. To obtain the final recognition result, it takes as input local spatiotemporal features and clip-level emotion representations.

They propose a body gesture representation method based on body joint movement, in which body gestures are represented by 25 body joints. Using this representation result, an attention-based channel-wise convolutional model (ACCM) is used for learning joint features and recognizing emotions. Data is an essential component of emotion recognition approaches, and obtaining the data required to train machine learning algorithms is often difficult.

KEY WORDS: Video emotion recognition, Facial expression, Spatiotemporal features, Body joints, Gesture representation

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In recent years, study of facial expression and body gesture are two major implications in identifying human emotions. However, existing study primarily concentrates on contextual information within nearby frames and neglects the Spatiotemporal relationship. Certain studies acknowledge the importance of both facial and body posture information, primarily focusing on developing fusion techniques to enhance emotion recognition performance. Nevertheless, several constraints persist that these studies did not thoroughly examine. In response, this paper revisits the study of facial expression and body gesture, proposing an improvement in video emotion recognition by extracting the Spatiotemporal features.

Facial expression sequence data is distinct from static images which includes both spatial and temporal aspects. For analyzing facial expressions, the paper propose SISTCM. This model aggregates video frames into two super images in the axis of width and heightenabled 2D convolution to capture the local Spatiotemporal facial expression features.

The shared convolution kernels across the two super images facilitate collaborative learning of local Spatiotemporal features from different perspectives. Additionally, they introduce a Two-Stream LSTM model to capture global temporal cues, considering the progressive relationship of emotion expressions over time.

The Two-stream LSTM model integrates clip-level emotion representations and local Spatiotemporal features as input to generate the final recognition outcome, and blend these to enhance facial expression recognition performance. The entire facial expression recognition framework is designed as an end-to-end model and optimized through multistage supervised learning to enhance recognition performance.

For analyzing body gesture, they introduce body gesture representation method. The method utilizes body join movement, where the representation of body gesture is constructed using data from 25 distinct body joints. Initially this method detects the position of key points and records the changes in their positions over time.

Subsequently, the changes in joint positions are aggregated over time to capture the time-dependent relationships inherent in body gestures. Using this representation, we introduce an attention-based channel-wise convolutional model (ACCM) to learn features from the joints and recognize emotions. The ACCM effectively preserves the unique characteristics of each joint through channel-wise convolutional layers, while capitalizing on key features using an attention mechanism.

To verify the effectiveness of the methods used for facial expression recognition and body posture recognition and the performance, we explore different fusion mechanisms. Utilizing the distinct advantages and complementary aspects of both visual modalities, our approach aims to optimize emotion recognition performance.

2. Method for facial expression:

2.1 video pre-processing:

We have got three dataset for recognizing facial expressions and they are eNTERFACE05, CK+ and Aff-Wild2. In the first stage of preprocessing we first extract all the frames from the video .The next stage is to use the DBFace model to detect and crop the frames that only contain facial parts.further we divide each video into C clips and each clips contain certain number of frames for processing .It enables a more systematic analysis of emotional expressions while expanding the dataset and preventing overfitting to some extent.

2.2 Spatiotemporal features extraction:

To extract Spatiotemporal features we use SISTCM, we sample T frames for each clip to learn about Spatiotemporal relationships of complete frames which reduce the computational complexity .the concept is to conceptualize the video sequence as a stack of frames along different axes capturing spatial and temporal features.

By stacking frames along H and W dimensions, two super image are generated H× WT and HT×W. This arrangement preserves spatial information from individual frames while also encoding temporal dependencies between consecutive frames. SISTCM uses 3×3 2D convolution to learn Spatiotemporal features.

In SISTCM each clip of data is in the shape of H×W×T that servers as the input. Initially the sistem convert the input into two super image H× WT and HT×W.then 3×3 2D convolution are applied to these super image, with convolutional kernels ,to extract local Spatiotemporal features efficiently. Atlast the obtained two Spatiotemporal feature maps, denoted as XH and XW are first reverted to their original dimension H×W×T then, they are combined using a weighted fusion technique to produce the final result.

The two feature maps are connected and then processed through a fully-connected layer followed by a softmax layer to compute weights:

$$\alpha = Softmax[W\alpha(XH, XW)]$$

We use the ResNet18 and SISTCM model to extract local Spatiotemporal feature and clip-level emotion representation .We use FC for sentiment classification to obtain the clip-level emotion representation.

2.3: Two-stream LSTM model:

They propose a 2-stream LSTM model to learn global temporal cues for facial expression recognition. The approach involves treating the local Spatiotemporal feature sequence as the feature stream and the clip-level emotion representations as the emotion stream. The feature stream is responsible for conducting emotion recognition, resulting in the emotion vector E1 derived from local Spatiotemporal features.

Meanwhile, the emotion stream is trained to derive emotion vector E2 from clip-level emotion representations. Subsequently, the final video emotional state E is attained by fusing both emotion vectors.

2.4 Multi-stage supervision:

To ensure that the recognized emotion at each stage aligns closely with the label throughout the entire recognition process, we introduce a multi-stage supervised learning approach. By doing so, the model receives guidance and feedback at every stage of processing, resulting in comprehensive training and alignment between the predicted emotions and the ground truth labels.

After obtaining the clip-level emotion representations post SISTCM-ResNet18, we compute the L1 Cross-Entropy-Loss between these representations and the corresponding labels. The L1 loss is given by:

$$L1 = -\sum \log(pc)$$
,

Where pc is the estimated probability for the c-th example.

Similarly, within the two-stream LSTM module, Cross-Entropy-Loss is employed to supervise the emotion vectors of both the feature stream and the emotion stream, denoted as L2 loss and L3 loss, respectively.

Thus, the final loss L is formulated as:

$$L = L1 + \lambda L2 + \mu L3$$

Where λ and μ are equilibrium coefficients, allowing for balanced weighing between the various loss components.

3. Method for body gesture

3.1Body joints marked:

The position data of key joints in each frame of the video is obtained using methods like Open Pose. The position data consist of (x,y) coordinates of each joint. Identify and select key joints relevant for gesture representation. In this paper 25 body joints are selected as key joints.

3.2 Body gesture representation:

Choose a temporal relationship function W(t) to assign weights to the descriptive images base on their timestamps.

Different relationship: $W(t) = (1 T-1) (t^2 - t)$ Linear relationship: W(t) = (T/T-1) (t-1)

For each descriptive image It, corresponding weighted representation Gt = Tt * W(t), Sum up the weighted representations to obtain final body gesture representation $G = \Sigma$ Gt. The final body gesture representation G is obtained, consisting of 25 channels corresponding to the key joints. By following these steps, a body gesture representation without a timeline is constructed.

3.3 ACCM model:

Attention based convolutional models consist of two branches. The first branch contains two blocks, each composed of a convolutional layer, and a ReLU layer .The second layer includes a channel-wise convolutional layer, attention layer, and the same blocks as the first branch. These branches operate independently and then are aggregated. Input to this ACCM is the body gesture representations obtained from the

previous step. The outputs from the two branches are aggregated, possibly by concatenation, to combine the extracted features from both branches. AN adaptive AvgPooling layer is applied to adaptively reduce the spatial dimensions of the features. A softmax layer is employed for classification, producing the final emotion label. This model handles body gesture representations which preserves simplified information as compared to the original input. This model does not require pretraining, making it efficient. No of parameters is also smaller than ResNet18.

3.3.1 Channel-wise Convolutional Layer:

Each channel of the input tensor undergoes independent convolution operations. For each channel, a separate convolution is applied between the channel and its corresponding kernel. Element-wise multiplication occurs between the input region and the kernel, followed by summation to produce a single value in the output feature map. This process repeats for each spatial location dimension as the input.

3.3.2 Attention Layer:

In emotion recognition the importance of each body's joints may vary. To address this attention layer is introduced. The weight and biases of the fully-connected layers are initialized using random sampling from a uniformly distributed range U[-a, a].

$$a = \sqrt{6} nin + nout$$

nin and nout represent the number of input and output channels, respectively. Once the weights are obtained, they are applied to the original input. Each channel of the original input is multiplied element-wise by its corresponding attention weight to obtain the result.

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Demerits:

- Lack of External Validation and limited use of datasets.
- Limited Discussion on Generalizability.

Conclusion:

In this study, we leverage the distinct visual characteristics of facial expressions and body gestures and propose suitable methods for video emotion recognition. For facial expression sequences, we introduced the SISTCM model, which extracts local Spatiotemporal features and learns clip-level emotional states. We then utilize a two-stream LSTM to further capture global temporal cues and refine emotion recognition. By fusing features and emotion pathways, the two-stream LSTM enhances accuracy significantly. For body gesture sequences, we present a body gesture representation method to represent gesture changes using joint information and develop the ACCM model for emotion recognition. This representation simplifies gesture information, reducing training complexity, while ACCM maximizes the advantages of key channel features and preserves their independence. Extensive experiments demonstrate the superiority of our proposed unimodal emotion recognition methods over alternatives. Furthermore, integrating facial expression and body gesture methods effectively enhances emotion recognition accuracy.

FUTURE WORK:

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