Landmarks Detection by Applying Deep Networks

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Context



Morphometry analysis

- Used to study the complex interaction between the evolution of insect and environmental factors.
- ► Characterize the common information of biological shape, such as, shape, sizes, or **landmarks**,....

Landmark

- A kind of point of interest
- ► A specific point defined by biologist. For example, intersection of viens on fly wing, the tip of beetle's mandible,...

Dataset

- Images have been taken from 293 beetles, seperate into 5 parts (images),
- ► Format: 2D in RGB color.
- ► Focus on pronotum images.





(a) Left mandible



(b) Right mandible



(c) Body

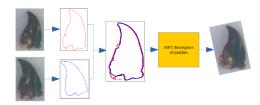


(d) Head

Problems



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How to predict the landmarks coordinates?

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Applications

- Computer vision (image recognition and classification)
- Speech recognition
- Question answering [], language translation[]

CNNs



- Consists an input, an output and multiple hidden layers
- ► Arranges the data in 3 dimensions: width, height and depth
- Classical layers: convolutional layers (CONV), pooling layers (POOLING), dropout layers (DROPOUT), full-connected layers (FC), . . .

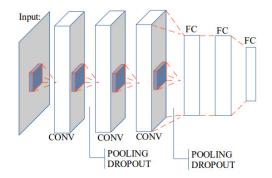


Figure: An example of CNN

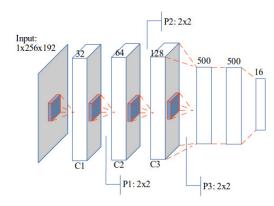


The first model includes:

- An gray-scale input,
- 3 CNN layers,
- ▶ 3 POOLING layers,
- ▶ 3 FC layers.

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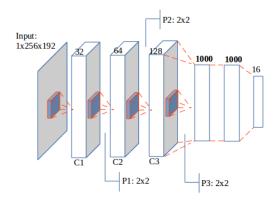
- Output is not good enough,
- Overfitting.





The second model:

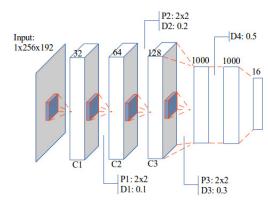
- Has the same architecture with the first one,
- Modify the output of FC layers,
- Result is not improved.





The third model includes:

- An gray-scale input,
- ▶ 3 CNN layers,
- 3 POOLING layers,
- 4 DROPOUT layers,
- ▶ 3 FC layers.



Proposed method Data augmentation



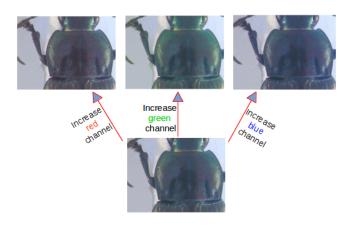
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► Increase the value of each channel,

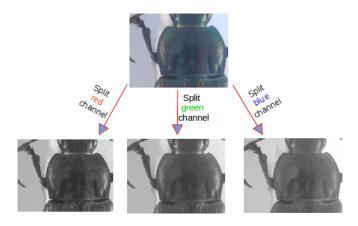


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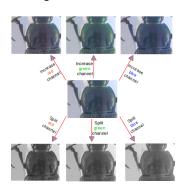
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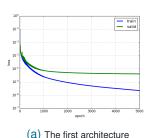
Total: $293 \times 7 = 2051$ images

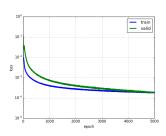


Proposed method Training



- Model: the third model in 5000 epochs²
- ► Training dataset: 1820 images (260 × 7)
- ▶ Testing set: 33 images
- Images shows training and validation losses of models. Blue curves are training losses, green curves are validation losses.





The third architecture

²An epoch is a single pass through the full training set.

Result Average distance



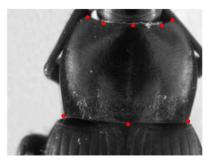
- Run the trained model to predict the landmarks on testing images,
- Calculate the distance between predicted landmarks and corresponding manual landmarks,
- Compute the average distance of all images per landmark.

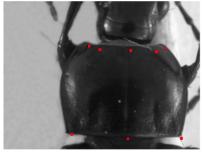
#Landmark	Distance (in pixels)		
1	4.002		
2	4.4831		
3	4.2959		
4	4.3865		
5	4.2925		
6	5.3631		
7	4.636		
8	4.9363		

Result Landmarks on images



Images show the result on testing images.





(a) (b)

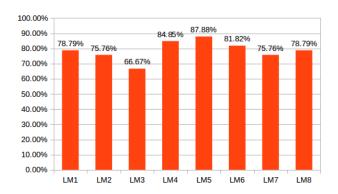
Result

Statistic on acceptable predicted landmarks



Chart shows the propotion of acceptable predicted landmarks

- ▶ Average accuracy: ~ 75%
- ► Highest accuracy: 87.88%
- ► Lowest accuracy: 66.67%



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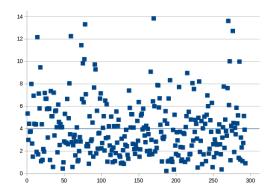
Distribution of distance on the first landmark



► Good prediction: 56.66%

Acceptable prediction: 40.27%

▶ Bad prediction: 3.07%



Result Comparing with related works



Quality metrics: coefficient of determination (r^2) , explained variance (EV), Pearson correlation.

Metric	r ²	EV	Pearson
Cintast et al. [?]	0.884	0.951	0.976
Proposed architecture	0.9952	0.9951	0.9974

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Future works

Continue improving the landmarks coordinates by continuing on deep learning, *for example*, using transfer learning.

