lib-indexer

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MTA 900

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json

letterCode: MTA digitCode : 900

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Final Prerequisites

- New
 - Labels have to be bright enough for thresholding
- Old
 - The books must be vertically aligned (+-5°)
 - The image must not be tilted more than 30°
 - Resolution must be high enough for OCR
 - The image must be a RGB image
 - The image must high enough contrast
 - White balance must be applied in the image

Pipeline

- Perspective Correction
 - Preprocessing
 - Hough-Transformation
 - Geometric Image Transformation
- Label Detection
 - Preprocessing
 - Integral Imaging
 - Otsu Threshold
- Preprocessing for OCR
 - Dilation
 - Regionprops + Segment ("Word") sorting
- OCR
 - Normalized Cross Coefficient Algorithm
 - Sum of squared Differences Algorithm









Actual: "MTA 900 MÜLLER"

SSD: "HTA SQQ YVLLLR"

NCC: "LLL LLL FLJJR"

Problems

- Label Detection
 - Some labels aren't rectangles
 - Some labels are too dark
 - Some labels are very thin
 - False positives
- Perspective Correction
 - Wrong line detection bloated RAM
- Preprocessing OCR
 - Sorting and Segmenting Words
- OCR
 - Resolution of letters is small
 - NCC padding might be a problem (giving too many L's)
 - SSD isn't the most precise algorithm

X still a problem X solved

Evaluation

- Qualitative
 - Which patterns do we have to recognize?
 - Shelves -> Labels -> Blobs (Potential characters) -> Characters
 - How does the image have to be transformed, to enable a good label detection
 - Gauss-Filter
 - Convolution Kernel for Harris choosen bigger
 - What indexing is useful, and how do we make the results human-readable?
 - We use a Matlab struct for the data, which is being transformed into a .json format
 - Additionally the labels and words are sorted from top left to bottom right
 - Which pre-processing do we need for the OCR to work properly?
 - Binarizing, Dilation, Regionprops, Slicing, Segmentation into Patches/Blobs

Evaluation

- Quantitative
 - How many books/labels do we recognize in average?
 - About ~80%
 - Welche Auflösung ist notwendig, um akzeptable Ergebnisse zu erzielen?
 - Hängt von der Entfernung zu den Labels ab
 - How does the tilting of the image affect the label detection
 - Through image straightening we ensure, that there are only minimal changes in the OCR
 - The more tilting there is the better the resolution must be
 - How does the degree of fullness of the shelves affect the label detection
 - Less background is good as we get less false positives
 - Thin books could be seen as one big label

Result

• Used Dataset:



• One of the labels detected:



• Result in json:

{"wordOne":"BAU", "wordTwo":"107", "author": "SCHNLTDL", "bounds": [3428,2462,3603,2727]},

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