AI-Powered Hourly Attendance Capturing System

INTRODUCTION

OVERVIEW

The Attendance Monitoring System is essential in all organizations for checking the performance of students and it is not an easy task to check each and every student is present or not. In all organization attendance are taken manually by calling their register numbers or names and noted in attendance registers issued by the department heads as a proof and in some organizations the students want to sign in these sheets which are stored for future references. This technique is repetitive, complex work and leads to errors as few students regularly sign for their absent students or tell proxy attendance of the absent students. This method additionally makes it more complex to track all the students attendance and difficult to monitor the individual student attendance in a big classroom atmosphere. In this we use are using the technique of utilization face detection and recognition framework to continuously recognize students going to class or not and marking their attendance by comparing their faces with a database to match and marking attendance. This facial biometric framework takes a picture of a person using camera and contrasts that image and compares the image with the image which is stored at the time of enrolment and if it matches marks the attendance and monitor the student performance continuously. We may use the concept of artificial intelligence concept to monitor student attendance like capturing the motion pictures of the student when present in class to analyze the student data how much time the student presents in class.

PURPOSE

Maintaining attendance is very important in all the institutes for checking the attendance percentage of Students. Every institute has its own method in this regard. Some are taking attendance manually using the old paper for every hour and later they will upload every hour data of a class to the server or file-based approach and some have adopted methods of automatic attendance using some biometric techniques. But in these methods students have to wait for a long time in making a queue for every hour. In the Process of making attendance every hour, the students may lose some portion of class every day. So this project focuses on creating an automated system that takes the attendance of students on hourly bases using preinstalled cameras in the classes. We make use of AWS services to marks the attendance, store the attendance in DB .

The purpose of this project is to automate the attendance system to decrease the errors that occur due to the manual taking attendance. If the cameras monitoring into classrooms to evaluate their interest and to mark attendance, students tends to pay attention if Artificial Intelligence enabled method can monitor and mark their attendance and faculties will at least come to school or college every day because, in early times they are coming and puttingsign and they are lettingthe school or college now it's not possible if the faculty left the college the system automatically marks as absent so everyone will come to school or organization regularly.

LITERATURE SURVEY

EXISTING PROBLEM

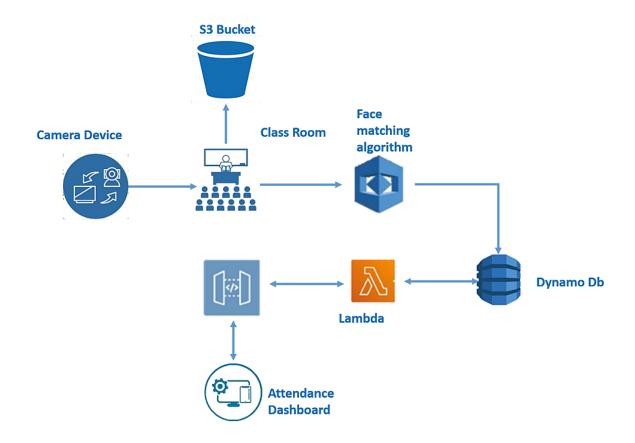
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PROPOSED SOLUTION

The proposed solution/application shall capture hourly attendance without any manual intervention. develop a smart device that can be integrated with a camera that will capture the images of class for every hour and send the images to model. Then the model will use AWS Rekognition Service to recognize the student's faces & push the images to S3(Simple Storage Service) for storage and also updates the attendance automatically in a database. build a web-based dashboard to visualize all the student's attendance information.

3. THEORITICAL ANALYSIS

3.1 BLOCK DIAGRAM



3.2 SOFTWARE DESIGNING:

- 1. Storing the Images of Students in S3 Bucket.
- 2. Capturing the image on an Hourly basis.
- 3. Loading the image to Face comparison algorithm (compares the faces in s3 bucket).
- 4. Marking the attendance for compared faces and storing in DynamoDb.
- 5. Creating a rest API using API gateway and lambda function to connect to dynamo DB through web app.
- 6. Creating a web-based dashboard to visualize the attendance.

EXPERIMENTAL INVESTIGATIONS:

1. Python Web Frameworks:

A Web framework is a collection of packages or modules which allow developers to write Web applications (see Web Applications) or services without having to handle such low-level details as protocols, sockets or process/thread management. A web application may use a combination of a base HTTP application server, a storage mechanism such as a database, a template engine, a request dispatcher, an authentication module and an AJAX toolkit. These can be individual components or be provided together in a high-level framework. The most popular high-level frameworks are Django, TurboGears, web2py etc.

2. AWS DynamoDB:

Amazon DynamoDB is a NoSQL database that supports key-value and document data models, and enables developers to build modern, serverless applications that can start small and scale globally to support petabytes of data and tens of millions of read and write requests per second. DynamoDB is designed to run high-performance, internet-scale applications that would overburden traditional relational databases. Amazon DynamoDB is a key-value and document database that delivers single-digit millisecond performance at any scale. It's a fully managed, multiregion, multimaster, durable database with built-in security, backup and restore, and in-memory caching for internet-scale applications.

3. AWS Rekognition:

Amazon Rekognition makes it easy to add image and video analysis to your applications using proven, highly scalable, deep learning technology that requires no machine learning expertise to use. With Amazon Rekognition, you can identify objects, people, text, scenes, and activities in images and videos, as well as detect any inappropriate content. Amazon Rekognition also provides highly accurate facial analysis and facial search capabilities that you can use to detect, analyze, and compare faces for a wide variety of user verification, people counting, and public safety use cases.

4. Amazon S3:

Amazon Simple Storage Service (Amazon S3) is an object storage service that offers industry-leading scalability, data availability, security, and performance. This means customers of all sizes and industries can use it to store and protect any amount of data for a range of use cases, such as websites, mobile applications, backup and restore, archive, enterprise applications, IoT devices, and big data analytics. Amazon S3 provides easy-to-use management features so you can organize your data and configure finely-tuned access controls to meet your specific business, organizational, and compliance requirements.

5. AWS Lambda:

AWS Lambda lets you run code without provisioning or managing servers. With Lambda, you can run code for virtually any type of application or backend

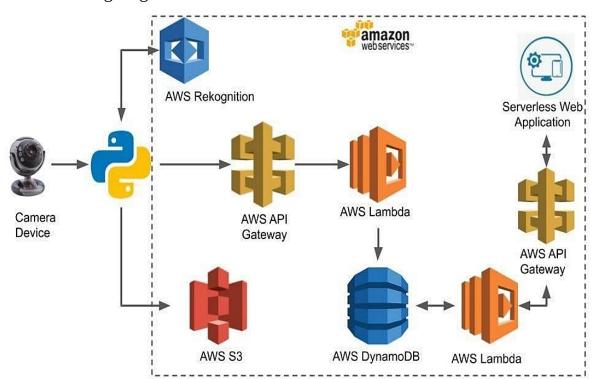
service - all with zero administration. Just upload your code and Lambda takes care of everything required to run and scale your code with high availability. You can set up your code to automatically trigger from other AWS services or call it directly from any web or mobile app.

6. AWS API Gateway:

Amazon API Gateway is a fully managed service that makes it easy for developers to create, publish, maintain, monitor, and secure APIs at any scale. APIs act as the "front door" for applications to access data, business logic, or functionality from your backend services. Using API Gateway, you can create RESTful APIs and WebSocket APIs that enable real-time two-way communication applications. API Gateway supports containerized and serverless workloads, as well as web applications.

API Gateway handles all the tasks involved in accepting and processing up to hundreds of thousands of concurrent API calls, including traffic management, CORS support, authorization and access control, throttling, monitoring, and API version management. API Gateway has no minimum fees or startup costs. You pay for the API calls you receive and the amount of data transferred out and, with the API Gateway tiered pricing model, you can reduce your cost as your API usage scales.

FLOW CHART:

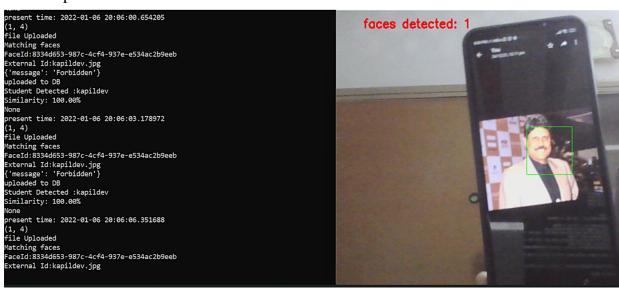


The following diagram shows the control flow of the solution.

6. RESULT:

We carried out techniques like face locating and image capture to capture the image and locate or upload the faces in database. Next the image will be cropped and converting into grayscale image. Then image processing and deep learning algorithm will be process the image received from before block. As per the deep learning algorithm, face recognition will be done and identify the faces to mark the attendance as per database. This is an automatic attendance marking system.

The output is as follows:



Hourly Students Presence Calculation in Class using AWS

56 **Total Detections**

Ganguly

48 Sehwag

Kapil Dev

ADVANTAGES & DISADVANTAGES:

Advantages:

1. Automated Time Tracking System

Entry and exit time monitoring done manually or with other biometric systems can be fully automated with facial recognition attendance systems. There is no need for human intervention or physical validation as the system's advanced algorithms can locate and identify faces autonomously.

2. Touchless Sign In System: A Post Pandemic Requirement

Pandemic like Covid 19 can be better managed by minimizing physical contact in public places and work environments. Post pandemic there has been a significant increase in demand and adoption of contactless technologies. The industry has recognized the benefits of facial recognition and the adoption of attendance systems.

3. Facial Recognition with Ageing Changes and Accessories

Face recognition attendance systems are not dependent on a few facial features but they are highly robust and identify a face on several data points. Therefore, these systems can screen for face masks and identify people without removing the mask or any change of facial attributes like beard, specs etc. It is a major advantage over any other biometric system as employees don't have to take off their masks.

4. More Accurate and Better Worker Attendance

With a face recognition attendance system, the entire environment is automated. You won't just take the attendance but also automatically record the entry-exit time of the employees. It also adds to the security of the workplace as the system can recognize who left the designated area and when accurately.

• Disadvantages:

1. **Image quality**

The quality of the reference image plays an important role in the identification process. If the resolution of the said image is not high enough, it can cause cameras to be tricked into believing that the person being scanned is not the same as in the photo. An easy solution is to ensure that both the reference images and scanning are performed by similar cameras.

2. Storage

Depending on the quality of the input data, a system would need an appropriate amount of storage. This could be troublesome if the data collected is of high quality and requires large amounts of storage space especially for events with a large expected attendance.

3. Angles

Many non-premium facial recognition systems cannot account for faces that are captured at angles other than straight into the capturing camera. The disadvantage of this is that it makes the attendance marking process slower and less efficient

8. APPLICATIONS:

- Contactless biometric attendance system in educational institutes and offices
- 2. Airport security increases.
- 3. In Warehouse, Control process to provision entry and exit of vehicles.

9. CONCLUSION:

We are automating the attendance system to decrease the errors that occur due to the manual taking attendance. If the cameras monitoring into classrooms to evaluate their interest and to mark attendance, students tends to pay attention if Artificial Intelligence enabled method can monitor and mark their attendance and faculties will at least come to school or college every day because, in early times they are coming and putting sign and they are letting the school or college now it's not possible if the faculty left the college the system automatically marks as absent so everyone will come to school or organization regularly. Using the artificial intelligence concept the attendance monitoring system is very secure, accurate and easy to monitor students and faculty's attendance.

10. FUTURE SCOPE:

The world is using facial recognition technology and enjoying its benefits. The technology and its applications can be applied across different segments in the country.

- 1. Preventing the frauds at ATMs in India. A database of all customers with ATM cards in India can be created and facial recognition systems can be installed. So, whenever a user enters an ATM his photograph will be taken to permit access after it is matched with a stored photo from the database.
- 2. Reporting duplicate voters in India.
- 3. Passport and visa verification can also be done using this technology.
- 4. Also, driving license verification can be done using the same approach.
- 5. In the defence ministry, airports, and all other important places the technology can be used to ensure better surveillance and security.
- 6. It can also be used during examinations such as Civil ServicesExam, SSC, IIT, MBBS, and others to identify the candidates.
- 7. This system can be deployed for verification and attendance tracking at various government offices and corporates.
- 8. For access control verification and identification of authentic users it can also be installed in bank lockers and vaults.
- 9. For identification of criminals the system can be used by the policeforce also.

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12.APPENDIX

Python app1.py:

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# Importing of Libraries
from flask import Flask, render_template, request, redirect, url_for
import requests
# Flask App
app = Flask(__name__)
@app.route('/')
# Defining stats function
def stats():
  url = "https://j5blqfss4j.execute-api.us-east 2.amazonaws.com/attendance_count/getcount"
  # Change the above url with your API Url
  response = requests.get(url)
  # Converting the json format
  r = response.json()
  print(r)
  # Rendering the html template
  return render_template('stats.html',a=sum(r),b=str(r[0]),c=str(r[1]),d=str(r[2]))
if __name__ == "__main__":
  app.run(debug=True)
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