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1. <u>INTRODUCTION</u>

In the realm of forensic investigations, the scrutiny of questioned documents is a crucial aspect of ascertaining authenticity, authorship verification, and detecting potential forgeries.

The examination of documents plays a pivotal role in legal cases, fraud detection, and other investigative scenarios where the veracity of documents serves as critical evidence. To aid forensic experts in this intricate task, specialized software and toolsets have been developed, collectively known as forensic applications for document images.

These sophisticated applications are designed to analyze and examine questioned documents with precision and efficiency, leveraging advanced image processing techniques and cutting-edge algorithms.

By addressing challenges such as noisy and degraded document images, complex handwriting analysis, and signature verification, these tools significantly enhance the capabilities of forensic experts.

Forensic applications for document images encompass a wide array of features and functionalities tailored to the distinct demands of forensic investigations.

From image preprocessing to extract clear and relevant information to writer identification and signature verification, these tools empower investigators to uncover the truth hidden within documents.

Forensic applications for document images play a vital role in modern investigative procedures, augmenting the abilities of forensic experts and fostering accuracy, efficiency, and trust in the forensic document examination process. As technological advancements continue, these tools will remain essential assets in unraveling the truth from questioned documents and upholding justice in legal systems worldwide.

2. PROBLEM AND CHALLENGES

- Matching signatures and handwriting in forensic document examination is a difficult job because everyone writes in their own unique way. It's like how everyone has their own way of drawing pictures or writing their name. This makes it hard to find consistent things to compare when trying to figure out if two signatures or pieces of writing were done by the same person.
- The presence of noise and degradation in questioned documents further complicates the verification process, affecting the reliability of the results.
- Additionally, distinguishing between genuine variations and intentional forgeries poses a critical
 challenge, as it requires a robust and precise method to ensure accurate matching and authentication
 of signatures and handwriting. Addressing these obstacles is essential for enhancing the efficiency and
 accuracy of forensic investigations and document authentication processes.

3. OBJECTIVES –

- Implementation of various imaging filter to analyze signature images
- Development of custom image processing algorithms for structural information analysis.

4. CURRENT STATE OF ART

Examination of handwritten content is a pretty common task performed by document examiners. Authorship of the questioned document being the prime issue, the document-forensic expert manually deals with various aspects of the authenticity of the documents.

In a recent work by Kumar and Bhatia [3], a survey was presented on writer-dependent and independent approaches, incorporating almost every recent work, along with an outlook into future works. A comparative work using handcrafted and auto-derived features (CNN) extracted from intra-variable writing was analyzed by Adak et al. [4] using models like SVM with data augmentation in order to generate large datasets.

5. SCOPE OF WORK

<u>Pre-processing Importance:</u> Image enhancement is crucial in forensic document examination as many suspected documents suffer from natural or deliberately induced noises, making them challenging to analyze.

Handling Varied Document Degradations: Suspected documents often arrive in poor conditions from crime scenes, intentionally damaged to manipulate evidence, requiring manual processing for forensic verification. Maximum Imaging Filters: For this purpose, a wide range of imaging filters to recover degraded images and facilitate forensic document analysis.

The scope of work mainly includes Implementation of imaging filter to analyze degraded images. The list of Image Filter operation as follows

Functions

Image Filter Operations

Contour Display	Contour Display is a visualization technique that identifies and highlights the	
	boundaries of objects within a document. By outlining the edges of different	
	elements, such as characters, signatures, or other objects, it offers a clear and	
	distinct representation of the document's structure. This helps forensic experts	

document for further examination.

Stroke Thinning Stroke Thinning is a process that reduces the thickness of handwritten strokes

within a document. By slimming down the width of each stroke, finer details in characters and signatures become more pronounced. This technique is particularly useful for improving the accuracy of feature extraction algorithms, making it easier to discern unique writing characteristics and

and investigators to easily identify and analyze individual components of the

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Stroke Thickening

Conversely, Stroke Thickening increases the thickness of handwritten strokes in a document. By enhancing the visual representation of strokes, characters and signatures may appear bolder and more prominent. This can aid in improving the legibility of handwritten content and make it easier for forensic experts to analyze and compare writing styles for identification and authentication purposes.

Adaptive Smoothing

Adaptive Smoothing is a noise reduction technique that considers local image characteristics. It selectively applies smoothing or blurring to different regions of the document based on their complexity and noise levels. This process preserves important details while effectively reducing unwanted artifacts, ensuring that the document's content remains clear and readable, even in the presence of noise or imperfections.

Contrast Correction

Contrast Correction adjusts the image contrast to enhance the difference between dark and light areas. By increasing the contrast, the distinctions between foreground and background elements become more pronounced, leading to improved visibility and clarity of the document's contents. This helps in better distinguishing individual characters and signatures, aiding in the verification process.

Contrast Stretching

Contrast Stretching is an image enhancement technique that expands the range of pixel intensities in an image. By rescaling the intensity values, it spreads the darkest and lightest pixels across the entire range, resulting in increased contrast and better visibility of details. This process enhances the overall appearance of the image, making it easier to discern fine features and aiding in forensic analysis and document verification.

Gaussian Sharpen

Gaussian Sharpen is an edge enhancement technique that uses a Gaussian filter to emphasize image details. By accentuating the edges, characters and signature strokes become sharper and more well-defined. This sharpening effect is especially valuable when analyzing low-resolution or blurred documents, as it brings out crucial information for accurate forensic examination.

Saturation Correction

Saturation Correction adjusts the intensity of colors in the document. By modifying the saturation levels, the vibrancy and richness of colors are altered, which can aid in better visualizing and interpreting colored elements, such as ink variations or signatures in different colors. This can help forensic experts in analyzing multicolored documents more effectively.

Gamma Correction

Gamma Correction is a brightness adjustment technique that alters the brightness levels of pixel values using a gamma function. This helps in expanding or compressing the pixel intensity values, resulting in better visibility of darker or lighter areas in the document. By adjusting the gamma value, experts can optimize the document's appearance for easier examination and analysis.

Brightness Correction

Brightness Correction is a simple image enhancement technique that alters the overall brightness of the document. By increasing or decreasing the brightness levels, the visibility of the content can be improved, especially in cases where documents are poorly scanned or have uneven illumination. This correction ensures that the document is displayed at an optimal brightness level for analysis.

Mean Filter

The Mean Filter is a smoothing technique that replaces each pixel value with the average of its neighboring pixel values. By calculating the local average, this filter helps to reduce noise and blur artifacts, resulting in a cleaner and more refined representation of the document. It aids in creating a smoother background, making it easier to focus on the handwritten content and signatures.

Median Filter

The Median Filter is another noise reduction technique that replaces each pixel with the median value of its neighboring pixels. Unlike the mean filter, the median filter is robust against outliers and preserves edge details. It effectively removes salt-and-pepper noise and other irregularities, improving the overall image quality and facilitating accurate feature extraction for signature and writer verification.

Bradley Local Threshold

Bradley Local Threshold is an adaptive thresholding technique used to segment the document into text and background regions. It calculates a local threshold for each pixel based on the average intensity of the neighboring pixels. This method helps in isolating handwritten content from the background, making it easier to analyze and process individual components of the document.

Bilateral Smoothing

Bilateral Smoothing is a noise reduction technique that reduces noise while preserving sharp edges. It considers both spatial and intensity differences in the image, ensuring that important edge information is retained while effectively reducing noise. This is particularly useful for handwritten documents, where preserving the sharpness of strokes is crucial for accurate analysis and verification.

Conservative Smooth

Conservative Smooth is a gentle smoothing technique that reduces noise with minimal blurring of important features. It targets only the noisy regions of the document while leaving the rest of the content relatively unaffected. This conservative approach is helpful in maintaining the integrity of the handwritten content, allowing forensic experts to analyze the document without losing critical details.

Histogram Equalize

Histogram Equalization is an image enhancement technique that redistributes pixel intensity values across the entire image histogram. By stretching the intensity range, this process increases the contrast and improves the overall visual appearance of the document. It enhances the visibility of character strokes and signatures, making them more distinguishable for verification and

analysis.

Morphological Opening

Morphological Opening is a morphological operation that removes small noise from the document by eroding the image and then dilating it. This process helps in eliminating small unwanted artifacts and thin lines, creating a smoother and cleaner representation of the document. It prepares the document for further analysis and feature extraction.

Morphological Closing

Morphological Closing is another morphological operation that fills small gaps and holes in the document by dilating the image and then eroding it. This process helps in closing gaps between characters and strokes, ensuring a continuous representation of the handwritten content. It aids in improving the connectivity of strokes for accurate feature extraction and verification.

6. <u>DEVELOPMENT ENVIRONMENT</u>-

The Standards below are the ones used while developing and thus are not the minimum requirements.

• Hardware Environments:

OS	Windows 11
Processor	Intel i5
RAM	8GB
SSD	250GB
Hard Disk	500GB

• Software Environments:

IDE	PyCharm Community Edition 2023.2
Programming Language	Python (3.10 version 64-bit)
Image Processing library	Open Source Computer Vision Library (OpenCV)
	Numpy
Python Library	Pandas
	Matplotlib

7. TECHNOLOGY USED

> Open-Source Computer Vision Library (OpenCV)

- OpenCV (Open-Source Computer Vision) is a widely used open-source library that empowers developers with tools and functions to perform a myriad of computer vision tasks.
- Renowned for its versatility and efficiency, OpenCV offers a comprehensive range of image and video processing capabilities, pattern recognition algorithms, and machine learning tools.
- From object detection and facial recognition to image manipulation and augmented reality applications, OpenCV plays a pivotal role in enabling the development of cutting-edge computer vision solutions across diverse industries, fostering innovation and transformation in the field of visual data analysis and interpretation.

> Numpy

- NumPy (Numerical Python) stands as a foundational library in the Python ecosystem, providing essential tools for numerical computations and data manipulation.
- Recognized for its efficient array operations and mathematical functions, NumPy forms the bedrock for scientific computing and data analysis.
- Its multidimensional array objects, along with an extensive collection of mathematical routines,

- enable users to effortlessly perform complex calculations, data transformations, and statistical analyses.
- With its seamless integration into the Python programming language, NumPy facilitates rapid development of data-driven applications, making it an indispensable tool for researchers, engineers, and data scientists seeking to harness the potential of numerical computing and analysis.

Pandas

- Pandas, a pivotal library in the Python ecosystem, empowers data analysts and scientists with robust tools for data manipulation, analysis, and exploration.
- Leveraging its core data structures—Series and DataFrame—Pandas offers a seamless platform for handling structured and tabular data.
- With its intuitive syntax and versatile functions, Pandas facilitates tasks such as data cleaning, transformation, aggregation, and visualization.
- Whether it's loading data from various sources, conducting complex data operations, or summarizing insights, Pandas provides a versatile toolkit that streamlines the data analysis process.
- Renowned for its ability to handle missing data, time series, and heterogeneous datasets, Pandas plays a vital role in simplifying data-centric workflows, making it a cornerstone for anyone involved in data-driven decision-making and exploration.

> Matplotlib

- Matplotlib, a fundamental data visualization library in Python, empowers researchers, analysts, and scientists to create compelling and informative visual representations of their data.
- With a rich collection of plotting functions, Matplotlib offers a versatile platform for generating a wide range of static, interactive, and publication-quality visualizations.
- From line plots and scatter plots to bar charts, histograms, and heatmaps, Matplotlib provides the tools needed to effectively communicate insights and trends within data.
- Its customizable features enable users to fine-tune every aspect of their visualizations, from labels and colors to annotations and layouts.
- By offering a seamless integration with various data analysis libraries, Matplotlib serves as an indispensable resource for conveying complex data relationships and patterns, fostering a deeper understanding of data-driven narratives.

8. DEVELOPMENT OR CODE SNIPPET

-----MAIN.PY------

```
from contour display import highlight contours
from stroke thinning import thin strokes
from stroke thickening import thicken strokes
from adaptive smoothing import adaptive smooth
from contrast correction import contrast correction
from contrast stretching import contrast stretching
from gaussian sharpening import gaussian sharpen
from saturation correction import saturation correction
from gamma correction import gamma correction and display
from Brightness correction import adjust and show brightness
from mean filter import mean filter and display
from median filter import median filter and display
from bradley local threshold import bradley local thresholding
from bilateral_smoothing import bilateral_smooth
from Conservative smooth import conservative smooth
from Histogram equalise import histogram equalize and display
from Morphological opening import morphological opening and display
from Morphological closing import morphological closing and display
def main():
    # Get the source image from the user
    image path = input("Enter the path to the image: ")
   while True:
       print("Select an operation:")
       print("1. Contour Display")
       print("2. Stroke Thinning")
       print("3. Stroke Thickening")
       print("4. Adaptive Smoothing")
       print("5. Contrast Correction")
       print("6. Contrast Stretching")
       print("7. Gaussian Sharpening")
       print("8. Saturation Correction")
       print("9. Gamma Correction")
       print("9b. Brightness Correction")
       print("10. Mean Filter")
       print("11. Median Filter")
       print("12. Bradley Local Threshold")
       print("13. Bilateral Smoothing")
       print("14. Conservative Smooth")
       print("15. Histogram Equalize")
       print("16. Morphological Opening")
       print("17. Morphological Closing")
       print("0. Exit")
       choice = input ("Enter the number corresponding to the operation: ")
        if choice == "1":
            output filename = input("Enter the output image filename (without
extension): ")
            threshold value = int(input("Enter the threshold value: "))
            contour color = tuple(map(int, input("Enter the contour color
(comma-separated RGB values): ").split(',')))
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contour thickness = int(input("Enter the contour thickness: "))
            image path = highlight contours(image path, output filename,
threshold_value, contour_color, contour thickness)
        elif choice == "2":
            output_path = input("Enter output file name or directory: ")
            # Get additional parameters for stroke thinning
            threshold value = int(input("Enter threshold value: "))
            min neighbors = int(input("Enter min neighbors: "))
            max neighbors = int(input("Enter max neighbors: "))
            max transitions = int(input("Enter max transitions: "))
            image path = thin strokes(image path, output path, threshold value,
min neighbors, max neighbors, max transitions)
        elif choice == "3":
            output path = input("Enter output file name or directory: ")
            # Get additional parameters for stroke thickening
            kernel size = int(input("Enter kernel size: "))
            iterations = int(input("Enter number of iterations: "))
            image path = thicken strokes(image path, output path, (kernel size,
kernel size), iterations)
        elif choice == "4":
            output path = input("Enter output file name or directory: ")
            kernel size input = int(input("Enter the kernel size: "))
            image path = adaptive smooth (image path, output path,
kernel size input)
        elif choice == "5":
            output path = input("Enter output file name or directory: ")
            alpha = float(input("Enter contrast factor: "))
            beta = float(input("Enter brightness factor: "))
            image path = contrast correction(image path, output path, alpha,
beta)
        elif choice == "6":
            output path = input("Enter output file name or directory: ")
            image path = contrast stretching(image path, output path)
        elif choice == "7":
            output path = input("Enter output file name or directory: ")
            sigma = float(input("Enter the sigma value for Gaussian blur: "))
            image path = gaussian sharpen(image path, output path, sigma)
        elif choice == "8":
            output path = input("Enter output file name or directory: ")
            alpha = float(input("Enter saturation scale factor: "))
            beta = float(input("Enter saturation shift factor: "))
            image path = saturation correction(image path, output path, alpha,
beta)
        elif choice == "9":
            output path = input("Enter output file name or directory: ")
            gamma value = float(input("Enter the gamma value: "))
            image path = gamma correction and display(image path, gamma value,
output path)
        elif choice == "9b":
            output path = input("Enter output file name or directory: ")
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brightness factor = float(input("Enter the brightness factor: "))
            image path = adjust and show brightness(image path,
brightness factor, output path)
       elif choice == "10":
            output path = input("Enter output file name or directory: ")
            kernel size = int(input("Enter the kernel size: "))
           mean filter and display(image path, kernel size,output path)
       elif choice == "11":
            output path = input("Enter output file name or directory: ")
            kernel size = int(input("Enter the kernel size: "))
            image path = median filter and display(image path, kernel size,
output path)
       elif choice == "12":
            output path = input("Enter output file name or directory: ")
           window size = int(input("Enter the window size: "))
            threshold = int(input("Enter the threshold percentage: "))
            image path = bradley local thresholding(image path, output path,
window size, threshold)
       elif choice == "13":
            output path = input("Enter output file name or directory: ")
            diameter = int(input("Enter the diameter: "))
            sigma color = float(input("Enter the sigma color: "))
            sigma space = float(input("Enter the sigma space: "))
            image path = bilateral smooth(image path, output path, diameter,
sigma color, sigma space)
       elif choice == "14":
           output path = input("Enter output file name or directory: ")
           h = float(input("Enter the h value: "))
            search window = int(input("Enter the search window size: "))
            patch window = int(input("Enter the patch window size: "))
            image path = conservative smooth (image path, output path, h,
search window, patch window)
       elif choice == "15":
            output path = input("Enter output file name or directory: ")
            image_path = histogram_equalize_and display(image path,
output path)
       elif choice == "16":
            output path = input("Enter output file name or directory: ")
            kernel width = int(input("Enter the kernel width: "))
            kernel height = int(input("Enter the kernel height: "))
            kernel size = (kernel width, kernel height)
            image path = morphological opening and display(image path,
kernel size, output path)
       elif choice == "17":
            output path = input("Enter output file name or directory: ")
            kernel width = int(input("Enter the kernel width: "))
            kernel height = int(input("Enter the kernel height: "))
            kernel size = (kernel width, kernel height)
            image path = morphological closing and display(image path,
kernel size, output path)
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```
elif choice == "0":
           exit()
       else:
           print("Invalid choice. Please enter a valid number.")
if __name__ == "__main__":
   main()
   import cv2
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
def highlight contours (image filename, output filename=None,
threshold value=150, contour color=(0, 255, 0), contour thickness=2):
   # Read the image
   image = cv2.imread(image filename)
   # Convert the image to grayscale
   img gray = cv2.cvtColor(image, cv2.COLOR BGR2GRAY)
   # Apply binary thresholding
   ret, thresh = cv2.threshold(img_gray, threshold_value, 255,
cv2.THRESH BINARY)
   # Detect the contours on the binary image using cv2.CHAIN APPROX SIMPLE
   contours, hierarchy = cv2.findContours(thresh, cv2.RETR TREE,
cv2.CHAIN APPROX SIMPLE)
   # Draw contours on the original image for `CHAIN APPROX SIMPLE`
   image copy = image.copy()
   cv2.drawContours(image copy, contours, -1, contour color,
contour thickness, cv2.LINE AA)
   # Display the images using Matplotlib
   plt.figure(figsize=(12, 6))
   plt.subplot(1, 2, 1)
   plt.imshow(cv2.cvtColor(image, cv2.COLOR BGR2RGB))
   plt.title('Original Image')
   plt.axis('off')
   plt.subplot(1, 2, 2)
   plt.imshow(cv2.cvtColor(image copy, cv2.COLOR BGR2RGB))
   plt.title('Image with Contours')
   plt.axis('off')
   plt.tight_layout()
   # Save the image with drawn contours if output filename is provided
   if output filename:
       cv2.imwrite(output filename, image copy)
   plt.show()
   return output_filename
        -----------STROKE THINNING.py------
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import cv2
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
def thin strokes(input image path, output image path, threshold value=128,
min neighbors=2, max neighbors=6, max transitions=1):
    # Read the source image using cv2.imread
   original image = cv2.imread(input image path)
    source image = cv2.cvtColor(original image, cv2.COLOR BGR2GRAY)
    # Threshold the image to convert it to binary
    , binary image = cv2.threshold(source image, threshold value, 255,
cv2.THRESH BINARY)
    # Ensure the image is binary and invert it (foreground pixels become 0,
background pixels become 1)
   binary_image = 1 - (binary image // 255)
    def check pixel deletion (x, y):
        neighbors = [
            binary_image[y - 1, x],
            binary image[y - 1, x + 1],
            binary_image[y, x + 1],
            binary image[y + 1, x + 1],
            binary image[y + 1, x],
            binary_image[y + 1, x - 1],
            binary_image[y, x - 1],
            binary_image[y - 1, x - 1]
        transitions = sum((a, b) == (0, 1) for a, b in zip(neighbors,
neighbors[1:] + neighbors[:1]))
        return (binary image[y, x] == 1 and int(min neighbors) \leq=
sum(neighbors) <= int(max neighbors) and transitions == max transitions</pre>
                and neighbors[0] * neighbors[2] * neighbors[4] == 0 and
neighbors[2] * neighbors[4] * neighbors[6] == 0)
    # Perform the Zhang-Suen Thinning Algorithm
   rows, cols = binary image.shape
   changing = True
   while changing:
        changing = False
        # First sub-iteration
        to delete = []
        for y in range (1, rows - 1):
            for x in range(1, cols - 1):
                if check pixel deletion (x, y):
                    to delete.append((x, y))
        for x, y in to delete:
            binary image[y, x] = 0
            changing = True
        # Second sub-iteration
        to delete = []
        for y in range (1, rows - 1):
            for x in range(1, cols - 1):
                if check_pixel_deletion(x, y):
                    to delete.append((x, y))
        for x, y in to delete:
            binary_image[y, x] = 0
            changing = True
    # Invert the binary image back to its original format
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binary image = 1 - binary image
    # Convert the binary image back to the original color format
    color image = cv2.cvtColor(binary image * source image, cv2.COLOR GRAY2BGR)
    # Display the images using Matplotlib
    plt.figure(figsize=(12, 6))
   plt.subplot(1, 2, 1)
    plt.imshow(cv2.cvtColor(original image, cv2.COLOR BGR2RGB))
    plt.title('Original Image')
    plt.axis('off')
    plt.subplot(1, 2, 2)
   plt.imshow(cv2.cvtColor(color image, cv2.COLOR BGR2RGB))
    plt.title('Output Image')
    plt.axis('off')
   plt.tight layout()
   plt.show()
    # Save the color image to the destination path
    cv2.imwrite(output image path, color image)
    return output image path
                 -----stroke_thickening.py-----stroke_thickening.
import cv2
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
def thicken strokes(image path, output path, kernel size=(3, 3), iterations=1):
    # Read the grayscale image
    original image = cv2.imread(image path)
    image = cv2.cvtColor(original_image, cv2.COLOR BGR2GRAY)
    # Invert the grayscale image (text will become black and background will
become white)
    inverted image = cv2.bitwise not(image)
    # Create a structuring element for dilation
    kernel = np.ones(kernel_size, dtype=np.uint8)
    # Perform dilation on the inverted grayscale image
    dilated inverted image = cv2.dilate(inverted image, kernel,
iterations=int(iterations))
    # Invert the dilated image back to the original orientation
    dilated image = cv2.bitwise not(dilated inverted image)
    # Create a single Matplotlib window with two subplots
    plt.figure(figsize=(10, 5))
    # Original Image
    plt.subplot(1, 2, 1)
    plt.imshow(cv2.cvtColor(original image, cv2.COLOR BGR2RGB))
    plt.title('Original Image')
   plt.axis('off')
    # Thickened Image
    plt.subplot(1, 2, 2)
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```
plt.imshow(cv2.cvtColor(dilated image, cv2.COLOR BGR2RGB))
   plt.title('Thickened Image')
   plt.axis('off')
   # Display the subplots
   plt.tight layout()
   plt.show()
   # Save the final image
   cv2.imwrite(output_path, dilated_image)
   return output path
import cv2
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
def adaptive smooth (image path, output path, kernel size=5):
   # Load image
   img = cv2.imread(image path)
   # Display the original and smoothed images using Matplotlib
   plt.figure(figsize=(10, 5))
   # Original Image
   plt.subplot(1, 2, 1)
   plt.imshow(cv2.cvtColor(img, cv2.COLOR BGR2RGB))
   plt.title('Original Image')
   plt.axis('off')
   # Add median filter to image
   img median = cv2.medianBlur(img, int(kernel size))
   # Smoothed Image
   plt.subplot(1, 2, 2)
   plt.imshow(cv2.cvtColor(img median, cv2.COLOR BGR2RGB))
   plt.title('Smoothed Image')
   plt.axis('off')
   # Display the images
   plt.tight layout()
   plt.show()
   # Save the output image
   cv2.imwrite(output path, img median)
   return output path
-----contrast correction.py------
import cv2
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
def contrast correction(image path, output path, alpha, beta):
   # Read the image in BGR format (OpenCV default)
   image = cv2.imread(image path)
   # Display the input and output images using Matplotlib
   plt.figure(figsize=(10, 5))
   # Input Image
   plt.subplot(1, 2, 1)
   plt.imshow(cv2.cvtColor(image, cv2.COLOR BGR2RGB))
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plt.title('Input Image')
   plt.axis('off')
    # Perform contrast correction using the formula: corrected pixel = alpha *
original pixel + beta
   corrected image = cv2.convertScaleAbs(image, alpha=float(alpha),
beta=float(beta))
    # Output Image
   plt.subplot(1, 2, 2)
   plt.imshow(cv2.cvtColor(corrected image, cv2.COLOR BGR2RGB))
   plt.title('Output Image')
   plt.axis('off')
    # Display the images
   plt.tight layout()
   plt.show()
    # Save the output image
   cv2.imwrite(output path, corrected image)
   return output path
----- contrast stretching.py------
import cv2
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
def contrast stretching(image path, output path):
    # Read the image
   image = cv2.imread(image path)
    # Display the input and output images using Matplotlib
   plt.figure(figsize=(10, 5))
   # Input Image
   plt.subplot(1, 2, 1)
   plt.imshow(cv2.cvtColor(image, cv2.COLOR BGR2RGB))
   plt.title('Input Image')
   plt.axis('off')
    # Get user-defined parameters
    for channel in range(3): # Loop through each color channel (R, G, B)
       while True:
            try:
               min val = int(input(f"Enter the minimum value for channel
{channel}: "))
               max val = int(input(f"Enter the maximum value for channel
{channel}: "))
               break
            except ValueError:
               print("Invalid input. Please enter integer values.")
        # Linearly scale the pixel intensities between 0 and 255
        stretched_channel = ((image[:, :, channel] - min_val) / (max_val -
min val)) * 255
        stretched channel = np.clip(stretched channel, 0, 255)
        # Replace the channel in the stretched image
        image[:, :, channel] = stretched_channel
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# Convert the pixel values to integers
   stretched image = image.astype('uint8')
   # Output Image
   plt.subplot(1, 2, 2)
   plt.imshow(cv2.cvtColor(stretched_image, cv2.COLOR BGR2RGB))
   plt.title('Output Image')
   plt.axis('off')
   # Display the images
   plt.tight layout()
   plt.show()
   # Save the output image
   cv2.imwrite(output path, stretched image)
   return output path
  ------------gaussian sharpening.py-----------
import cv2
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
def gaussian sharpen(image path, output path, sigma=1.0):
   # Read the image
   image = cv2.imread(image path)
   # Display the input and output images using Matplotlib
   plt.figure(figsize=(10, 5))
   # Input Image
   plt.subplot(1, 2, 1)
   plt.imshow(cv2.cvtColor(image, cv2.COLOR BGR2RGB))
   plt.title('Input Image')
   plt.axis('off')
   # Apply Gaussian blur to the image
   blurred = cv2.GaussianBlur(image, (0, 0), sigma)
   # Calculate the sharpened image by subtracting the blurred image from the
original image
   sharpened image = cv2.addWeighted(image, 1.5, blurred, -0.5, 0)
   # Output Image
   plt.subplot(1, 2, 2)
   plt.imshow(cv2.cvtColor(sharpened image, cv2.COLOR BGR2RGB))
   plt.title('Sharpened Image')
   plt.axis('off')
   # Display the images
   plt.tight layout()
   plt.show()
   # Save the output image
   cv2.imwrite(output_path, sharpened_image)
   return output path
import cv2
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
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def saturation correction(image path, output path, alpha=1.0, beta=0):
    # Read the image
   image = cv2.imread(image path)
    if image is None:
       print("Error: Unable to read the image.")
    # Convert the image to the HSV color space
   hsv image = cv2.cvtColor(image, cv2.COLOR BGR2HSV)
    if hsv image is None:
       print("Error: Unable to convert the image to HSV color space.")
        return
    # Split the HSV image into its individual channels (Hue, Saturation, Value)
   h, s, v = cv2.split(hsv image)
    # Convert the saturation channel to the appropriate data type (uint8)
   s = s.astype(np.uint8)
    # Perform saturation correction by applying an affine transformation to the
Saturation channel
   corrected s = np.clip(alpha * s + beta, 0, 255).astype(np.uint8)
    # Merge the corrected Saturation channel with the original Hue and Value
channels
   corrected hsv = cv2.merge([h, corrected s, v])
    # Convert the corrected HSV image back to the BGR color space
   corrected image = cv2.cvtColor(corrected hsv, cv2.COLOR HSV2BGR)
    # Display the input and output images using Matplotlib
   plt.figure(figsize=(10, 5))
   # Input Image
   plt.subplot(1, 2, 1)
   plt.imshow(cv2.cvtColor(image, cv2.COLOR BGR2RGB))
   plt.title('Input Image')
   plt.axis('off')
    # Output Image
   plt.subplot(1, 2, 2)
   plt.imshow(cv2.cvtColor(corrected image, cv2.COLOR BGR2RGB))
   plt.title('Corrected Image')
   plt.axis('off')
    # Display the images
   plt.tight layout()
   plt.show()
    # Save the corrected image
   cv2.imwrite(output path, corrected image)
   return output path
                  -----gamma_correction.py-----
import cv2
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
def gamma correction and display(image path, gamma value=1.0, output path=""):
                                                                   Page 22 | 34
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original image = cv2.imread(image path)
       if original image is None:
           raise FileNotFoundError("Image not found. Please provide a valid
image path.")
   except Exception as e:
       print(f"Error: {e}")
       return
   corrected image = np.power(original image / 255.0, gamma value) * 255
   plt.figure(figsize=(10, 5))
   plt.subplot(1, 2, 1)
   plt.imshow(cv2.cvtColor(original image, cv2.COLOR BGR2RGB))
   plt.title("Original Image")
   plt.axis("off")
   plt.subplot(1, 2, 2)
   plt.imshow(cv2.cvtColor(corrected image.astype(np.uint8),
cv2.COLOR BGR2RGB))
   plt.title(f"Gamma-Corrected Image (Gamma = {gamma value})")
   plt.axis("off")
   plt.show()
   # Save the corrected image
   cv2.imwrite(output path, corrected image)
   return output path
import cv2
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
def adjust and show brightness (image path, brightness factor, output path=""):
   try:
       original image = cv2.imread(image path)
       if original image is None:
           raise FileNotFoundError ("Image not found. Please provide a valid
image path.")
   except Exception as e:
       print(f"Error: {e}")
       return
   corrected image = cv2.convertScaleAbs(original image,
alpha=brightness factor, beta=0)
   plt.figure(figsize=(12, 6))
   plt.subplot(1, 2, 1)
   plt.imshow(cv2.cvtColor(original image, cv2.COLOR BGR2RGB))
   plt.title("Original Image")
   plt.axis("off")
   plt.subplot(1, 2, 2)
   plt.imshow(cv2.cvtColor(corrected image, cv2.COLOR BGR2RGB))
   plt.title(f"Brightness Corrected Image (Factor = {brightness factor})")
   plt.axis("off")
   plt.show()
   cv2.imwrite(output_path, corrected_image)
   return output path
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-----py------
import cv2
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
def mean filter and display(image path, kernel size, output path):
   try:
       original image = cv2.imread(image path)
       if original image is None:
           raise FileNotFoundError ("Image not found. Please provide a valid
image path.")
   except Exception as e:
       print(f"Error: {e}")
       return
   def mean filter (image, kernel size):
       return cv2.blur(image, (kernel size, kernel size))
   filtered image = mean filter(original image, kernel size)
   plt.figure(figsize=(12, 6))
   plt.subplot(1, 2, 1)
   plt.imshow(cv2.cvtColor(original image, cv2.COLOR BGR2RGB))
   plt.title("Original Image")
   plt.axis("off")
   plt.subplot(1, 2, 2)
   plt.imshow(cv2.cvtColor(filtered image, cv2.COLOR BGR2RGB))
   plt.title(f"Mean Filtered Image (Kernel Size: {kernel size})")
   plt.axis("off")
   plt.show()
   cv2.imwrite(output path, filtered image)
   return output path
            import cv2
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
def median_filter_and_display(image_path, kernel size, output path):
   def median_filter(image, kernel_size):
       return cv2.medianBlur(image, kernel size)
   try:
       original image = cv2.imread(image path)
       if original image is None:
           raise FileNotFoundError("Image not found. Please provide a valid
image path.")
   except Exception as e:
       print(f"Error: {e}")
       return
   filtered image = median filter(original image, kernel size)
   plt.figure(figsize=(12, 6))
   plt.subplot(1, 2, 1)
   plt.imshow(cv2.cvtColor(original image, cv2.COLOR BGR2RGB))
   plt.title("Original Image")
   plt.axis("off")
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plt.subplot(1, 2, 2)
    plt.imshow(cv2.cvtColor(filtered image, cv2.COLOR BGR2RGB))
    plt.title(f"Median Filtered Image (Kernel Size: {kernel size})")
    plt.axis("off")
    plt.savefig(output path)
   plt.show()
    return output path
------------Bradley Local Threshold.py-----------
import cv2
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
def bradley local thresholding (image path, output path, window size=30,
threshold=10):
    try:
        gray image = cv2.imread(image path, cv2.IMREAD GRAYSCALE)
        if gray image is None:
            raise FileNotFoundError("Image not found. Please provide a valid
image path.")
    except Exception as e:
       print(f"Error: {e}")
        return
    # Calculate the integral image
    integral_image = cv2.integral(gray_image)
    height, width = gray image.shape
    # Apply the Bradley Local Thresholding algorithm
    thresholded image = np.zeros((height, width), dtype=np.uint8)
    for y in range (height):
        for x in range (width):
            x1, y1, x2, y2 = max(0, x - window_size // 2), <math>max(0, y -
window size // 2), min(width - 1,
x + window size // 2), min(
                height - 1, y + window_size // 2)
            area = (x2 - x1) * (y2 - y1)
            threshold sum = integral_image[y2, x2] - integral_image[y1, x2] -
integral_image[y2, x1] + integral_image[
                y1, x1]
            if gray_image[y, x] * area <= threshold sum * (100 - threshold) /
100:
                thresholded image[y, x] = 0
            else:
                thresholded image[y, x] = 255
    plt.figure(figsize=(10, 5))
    plt.subplot(1, 2, 1)
    plt.imshow(gray image, cmap='gray')
    plt.title("Original Image")
   plt.axis("off")
    plt.subplot(1, 2, 2)
    plt.imshow(thresholded image, cmap='gray')
    plt.title(f"Bradley Local Thresholding (Window Size: {window size},
Threshold: {threshold}%)")
    plt.axis("off")
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plt.savefig(output path)
   plt.show()
   return output path
----- smoothing.py-----
import cv2
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
def bilateral smooth (image path, output path, diameter, sigma color,
sigma space):
   try:
       original image = cv2.imread(image path)
       if original image is None:
           raise FileNotFoundError("Image not found. Please provide a valid
image path.")
   except Exception as e:
       print(f"Error: {e}")
       return
   # Apply bilateral smoothing using the cv2.bilateralFilter function
   smoothed image = cv2.bilateralFilter(original image, diameter, sigma color,
sigma_space)
   plt.figure(figsize=(12, 6))
   plt.subplot(1, 2, 1)
   plt.imshow(cv2.cvtColor(original image, cv2.COLOR BGR2RGB))
   plt.title("Original Image")
   plt.axis("off")
   plt.subplot(1, 2, 2)
   plt.imshow(cv2.cvtColor(smoothed image, cv2.COLOR BGR2RGB))
   plt.title("Bilateral Smoothed Image")
   plt.axis("off")
   plt.savefig(output path)
   plt.show()
   return output path
------ Smooth.py------
import cv2
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
def conservative smooth (image path, output path, h, search window,
patch window):
   try:
       original image = cv2.imread(image path, cv2.IMREAD GRAYSCALE)
       if original image is None:
           raise FileNotFoundError ("Image not found. Please provide a valid
image path.")
   except Exception as e:
       print(f"Error: {e}")
       return
    # Apply the Non-Local Means filter for conservative smoothing
   smoothed image = cv2.fastNlMeansDenoising(original image, None, h,
search window, patch window)
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plt.figure(figsize=(10, 5))
   plt.subplot(1, 2, 1)
   plt.imshow(original image, cmap='gray')
   plt.title("Original Image")
   plt.axis("off")
   plt.subplot(1, 2, 2)
   plt.imshow(smoothed image, cmap='gray')
   plt.title("Conservative Smoothed Image")
   plt.axis("off")
   plt.savefig(output path)
   plt.show()
   return output path
                         -----Histogram Equalize.py-----Histogram Equalize.py------
import cv2
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
def histogram equalize and display(image path, output path):
   try:
        original image = cv2.imread(image path)
        if original image is None:
            raise FileNotFoundError ("Image not found. Please provide a valid
image path.")
   except Exception as e:
       print(f"Error: {e}")
        return
    # Convert the image to grayscale if it's in color
    if len(original image.shape) == 3:
        original image = cv2.cvtColor(original image, cv2.COLOR BGR2GRAY)
   equalized image = cv2.equalizeHist(original image)
   plt.figure(figsize=(12, 6))
   plt.subplot(1, 2, 1)
   plt.imshow(cv2.cvtColor(original image, cv2.COLOR BGR2RGB))
   plt.title("Original Image")
   plt.axis("off")
   plt.subplot(1, 2, 2)
   plt.imshow(equalized image, cmap='gray')
   plt.title("Histogram Equalized Image")
   plt.savefig(output path)
   plt.axis("off")
   plt.show()
   return output path
                      -----Morphological Opening.py-----
import cv2
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
def morphological opening and display(image path, kernel size=(5,
5), output path=""):
   try:
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# Read the image
       original image = cv2.imread(image_path)
       if original image is None:
           raise FileNotFoundError("Image not found. Please provide a valid
image path.")
   except Exception as e:
       print(f"Error: {e}")
       return
    # Convert the image to grayscale
   gray image = cv2.cvtColor(original image, cv2.COLOR BGR2GRAY)
   # Define the kernel for morphological operations
   kernel = np.ones(kernel size, np.uint8)
   # Perform morphological opening
   opened_image = cv2.morphologyEx(gray_image, cv2.MORPH OPEN, kernel)
   plt.figure(figsize=(10, 5))
   plt.subplot(1, 2, 1)
   plt.imshow(cv2.cvtColor(original image, cv2.COLOR BGR2RGB))
   plt.title("Original Image")
   plt.axis('off')
   plt.subplot(1, 2, 2)
   plt.imshow(opened image, cmap='gray')
   plt.title("Morphological Opening")
   plt.axis('off')
   plt.savefig(output path)
   plt.show()
   return output_path
      -----Morphological closing.py------
import cv2
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
def morphological closing and display(image path, kernel size, output path):
   try:
        # Read the image
       original image = cv2.imread(image path)
       if original image is None:
            raise FileNotFoundError("Image not found. Please provide a valid
image path.")
   except Exception as e:
       print(f"Error: {e}")
       return
   # Convert the image to grayscale
   gray image = cv2.cvtColor(original image, cv2.COLOR BGR2GRAY)
   # Create a kernel for morphological operations
   kernel = np.ones(kernel_size, np.uint8)
   # Perform morphological closing
   closed_image = cv2.morphologyEx(gray_image, cv2.MORPH_CLOSE, kernel)
   plt.figure(figsize=(10, 5))
   plt.subplot(1, 2, 1)
   plt.imshow(cv2.cvtColor(original image, cv2.COLOR BGR2RGB))
   plt.title("Original Image")
   plt.axis('off')
   plt.subplot(1, 2, 2)
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plt.imshow(closed image, cmap='gray')
    plt.title("Morphological Closing")
    plt.axis('off')
    plt.savefig(output path)
    plt.show()
    return output path
   -----PROGRAM TO DETECT HORIZONTAL AND VERTICAL-----PROGRAM TO DETECT HORIZONTAL AND VERTICAL-------
                                       LINES
import cv2
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
def preprocess image (image path):
    image = cv2.imread(image path)
    gray = cv2.cvtColor(image, cv2.COLOR BGR2GRAY)
    _, threshold = cv2.threshold(gray, 127, 255, cv2.THRESH BINARY INV)
   return threshold
def extract vertical lines(image):
   vertical kernel = np.ones((6, 1), dtype=np.uint8)
   vertical lines = cv2.morphologyEx(image, cv2.MORPH OPEN, vertical kernel)
   return vertical lines
def extract horizontal lines(image):
    horizontal kernel = np.ones((1, 6), dtype=np.uint8)
   horizontal lines = cv2.morphologyEx(image, cv2.MORPH OPEN,
horizontal kernel)
    return horizontal lines
if name == " main ":
   print("Vertical and Horizontal Line Detection Between Alphabets")
    print("Please provide the path to the signature image.")
    image path = input("Enter the path to the signature image: ")
    preprocessed image = preprocess image(image path)
    vertical lines = extract vertical lines(preprocessed image)
    horizontal lines = extract horizontal lines(preprocessed image)
    plt.figure(figsize=(12, 4))
    plt.subplot(1, 3, 1)
    plt.imshow(preprocessed image, cmap='gray')
    plt.title("Original Image")
    plt.axis("off")
    plt.subplot(1, 3, 2)
    plt.imshow(vertical lines, cmap='gray')
    plt.title("Detected Vertical Lines")
    plt.axis("off")
    plt.subplot(1, 3, 3)
    plt.imshow(horizontal lines, cmap='gray')
    plt.title("Detected Horizontal Lines")
    plt.axis("off")
    plt.tight layout()
    plt.show()
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9. RESULT AND OUTPUT		
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HORIZONTAL AND VERTICAL LINES OUTPUT

Original Image

Detected Vertical Lines

Detected Horizontal Lines

10.CONCLUSION

The array of image filter operations is a versatile toolkit crucial in forensic document examination. These techniques are essential for overcoming challenges like degradation, noise, and visibility issues in document analysis. They enhance the accuracy and depth of forensic investigations.

To address document degradation, operations like Stroke Thinning, Stroke Thickening, Adaptive Smoothing, and Gaussian Sharpen are employed, allowing experts to reverse or mitigate adverse effects.

For noise reduction, Adaptive Smoothing, Mean Filter, Median Filter, and Bilateral Smoothing strategically filter out unwanted artifacts, ensuring legibility.

Enhancement techniques like Contrast Correction, Contrast Stretching, Saturation Correction, and Gamma Correction improve visibility and enable precise extraction of information.

Segmentation tools, such as Contour Display, Bradley Local Threshold, Morphological Opening, and Closing, aid in isolating and analyzing specific components, facilitating anomaly detection.

These operations optimize forensic document examination, vital for verification and authentication processes in legal proceedings.

Through this project I learned about OpenCV module and various processes which can modify an image.

11.BENEFITS –

- Efficient Forensic Analysis: The proposed semi-automated solution streamlines the process of analyzing questioned documents and verifying handwritten content, reducing the time and effort required for manual examination.
- Enhanced Accuracy: By utilizing advanced techniques like image processing filters and feature extraction, the solution improves the accuracy of forensic document examination and signature verification, minimizing errors and false identifications.
- Comprehensive Functionality: The solution covers various aspects of forensic document examination, including noise removal, segmentation, and writer/signature verification, providing a comprehensive solution for different aspects of document analysis.

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