

**Image Identification Algorithm for Detecting Text Contained Regions****Navjot Kaur**

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Abstract- In this paper, a method for detecting texts and scenes in unstructured and structured images is proposed. A text contained image in content recognition techniques dependent on profound learning and identification of the same has accomplished by implementing an efficient algorithm to meet expected outcomes. An algorithm is proposed using which edges of the images are detected. This leads to identification of candidate text. An efficient text detection algorithm is proposed in this paper which aims to distinguish an enormous number of content region candidates and continuously expels those less inclined to contain content.

Keyword- image detection, feature extraction, overlapping regions

**I. Introduction**

To identify any unstructured scene, detection of image contained regions is evident. Amorphous scenes contain any arbitrary or uncertain scenarios. Such scenarios can be used to identify random text automatically captured from some video and can be used to alert regarding a situation. These are different from well structured scenes where the actual position of the text is known beforehand. To recognize characters in the text string, an image objects that consists of text and uniformly distributed symbols in the background are segmented [11]. Various techniques to extract text or characters from overlapping text or images are available. To identify

an image and filter its edges, an appropriate structuring element is used. Throughout the process of identifying and transforming an image structuring element plays a vital role. Operations that are performed on a binary image yield an image in which pixel value is non-zero. A structuring element is a matrix of pixels that has 0 or 1 value. This pattern value of 0's and 1's form a structuring element, which has its origin on one of its pixels.

Consider a Universal Set  $U$ , Group  $G$  and two sets  $P$  and  $I$  in Group  $G$  then,

$$P + I = \{Iz \cap P \neq \phi\} \quad (1)$$

A structuring element is transforming element and is defined as,

$$S\{f[p, s]\} = \{f[p - p', s - s'] : [p', s'] \in \Pi ps\} \quad (2)$$

Where  $\Pi ps$  is structuring element and  $f[p, s]$  is an image. [9]

This paper depicts the improvement and usage of morphological way to deal with character string extraction from an image that contain content or text and limits the shape bending and formation of characters.

## **II. Methodology**

Identification of text from unstructured images includes various steps. Initial step is to detect all candidate text regions. To achieve this MSER feature detector is used. It functions admirably for content in light of the fact that the reliable shading and high complexity of content prompts stable power profiles.

Main focus is to define computationally fast and invariant algorithm for unstructured images to indentify text in an image. The idea is to detect text by defining region properties - Aspect ratio, Eccentricity, Euler number, Extent, Solidity which will also be used to identify target regions.

**A. Basic Steps**

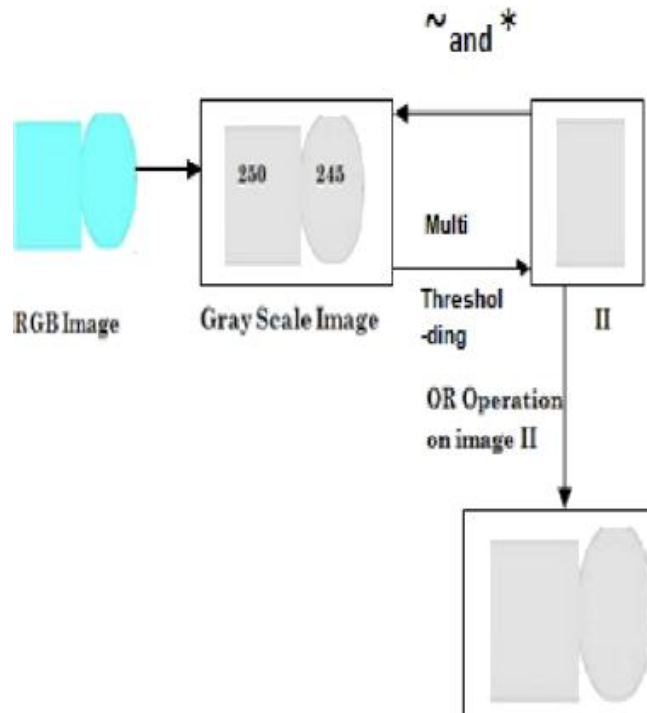


Figure 1: Basic steps of converting an RGB image [12]

Level 1:

1. Read an RGB image
2. Convert RGB image to gray level image
3. Detect candidate regions
4. Define region properties for target regions

Level 2:

5. Compute aspect ratio and define threshold values to identify text regions for further identification.
6. Identify neighboring text areas to form a bounding box.
7. Merge overlapping bounding boxes and connected text regions

Level 3:

8. Remove bounding boxes that contain single text region.
9. Show detected text.

**B. Algorithm**

The detailed algorithm is described as,

1. Acquire an RGB image.

`col_Img:= Read an image usng imread<img_name>`

$I = r(x_l, y_l), g(x_l, y_l), \text{ and } b(x_l, y_l)$ , a collection of image functions.

2. Convert to gray scale image.

`J := rgb2gray<I>`

Where J is resultant grey scale image and I is an rgb image

3. Detect candidate regions

`[MSER_Reg, MSER_Conn_Comp]:= detect_MSER_feature <image, region_area_range, threshold_value>`

4. Define region properties for target regions

`MSER_status:= Reg_Prop[status: regionproperty<mserConnComp, 'BoundingBox', 'Eccentricity', 'Solidity', 'Extent', 'Euler', 'Image to be considered'>]`

5. Compute aspect ratio

`boubox:= vertcat<mserStats.BoundingBox>`

`wi := boubox<:,3>`

`ht := boubox<:,4>`

`aspectRatio := <wi/ht>`

6. Find neighboring text regions

`bboxes:=vertcat<MSER_Status of bound_box>`

7. Merge overlapping bounding boxes and connected text regions

`comp_indics := conn_comp<overlap_ratio of the overlapping region>`

`overlap_ratio:= [<1:n+1:n^2> =0]`

Where n is size of all the expanded bounding boxes.

8. Remove bounding boxes that only contain single text region

`regions_in_Group := histcounts<indexes of the region component>`

`text_bboxes[regions_in_Group == 1, :] := []`

9. Show detected text

`detect_text_region := insertShape<image, geometric shape, textboxes,LineWidth>`

Display the final detected text using: `imshow< detect_text_region>`

C. Flow Chart

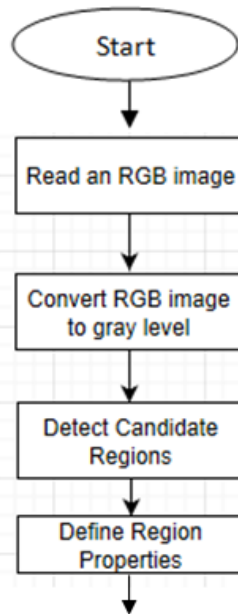


Figure 2: Operational Stages of Level 1

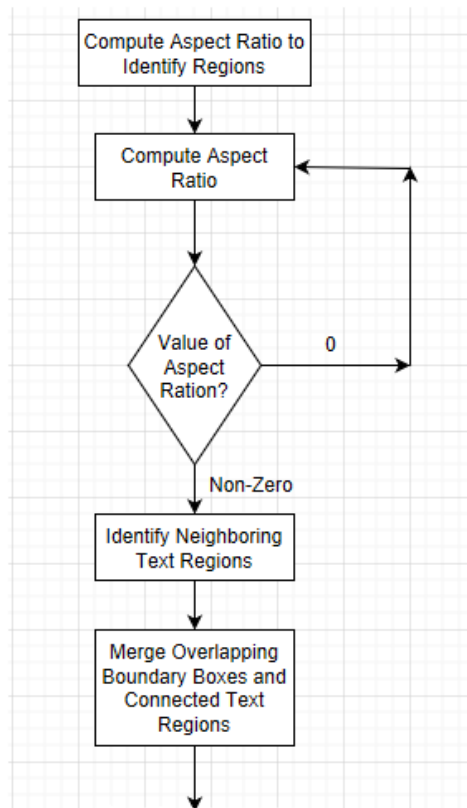


Figure 3: Operational Stages of Level 2

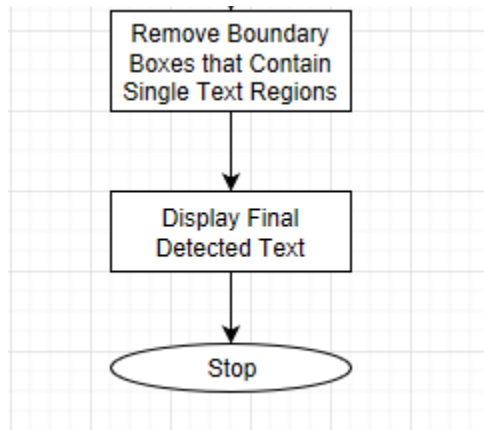


Figure 4: Operational Stages of Level 3

### III. Results

1. RGB Image converted to grey scale

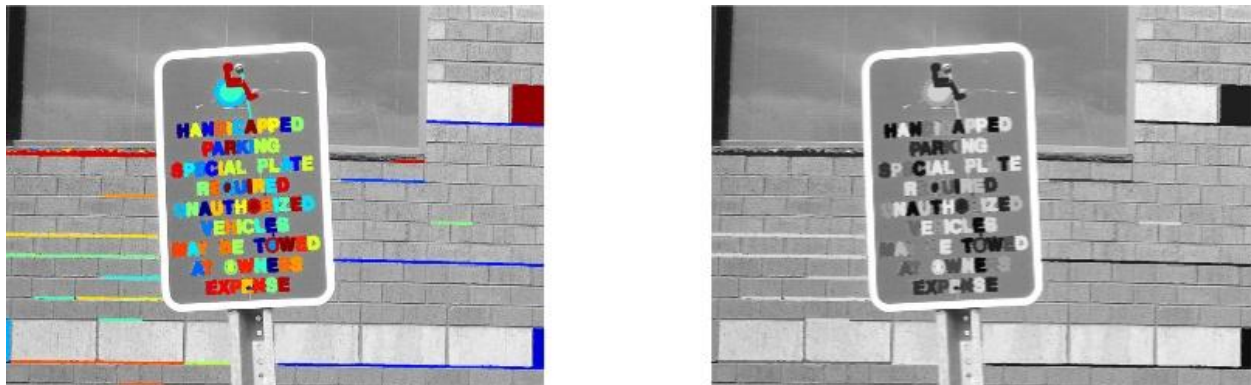


Figure 5: Conversion of RGB image to gray scale

2. After removing non-text regions.



Figure 6: After removing non-text regions by considering geometric properties

3. Apply boundary boxes to identify text regions



Figure 7: Expanded Boundary Boxes

4. Resultant image with detected text



Figure 8: Resultant image

As structured or unstructured images consists of objects. Objects in an image may be overlapping. Defining various geometry properties also help to identify various objects that an image consists of [12].

Table 1: No. of objects and their identification time

Objects/Image	Time to identify objects per image/s			
	Circle	Triangle	Rectangle	Eclipse
10	5.78	5.23	5.29	5.44
13	9.60	8.85	8.36	8.54
15	9.13	8.60	8.62	8.75
22	13.94	29.49	23.20	13.24

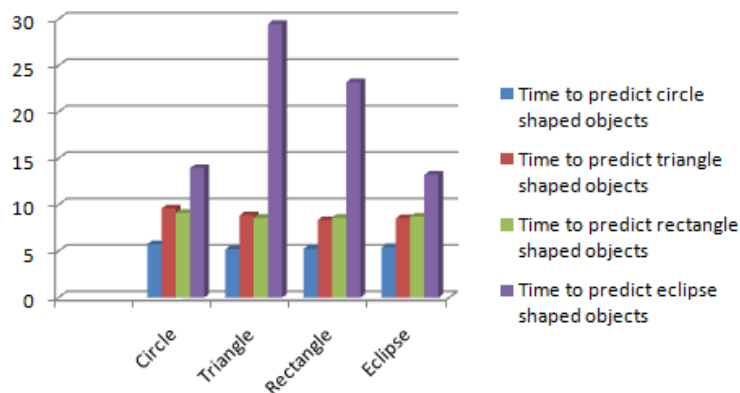


Figure 9: Prediction time to detect objects

Unstructured images may also contain text which may be overlapped with the objects in that image. As the number of objects in an image increases, the time to identify objects and overlapping text also increases [12].

**IV. Conclusion**

This paper focuses on identification of text from an image. An unstructured image consists of various overlapping objects. Predicting and identifying the same takes different time. Finding target regions and defining how geometric measurements and properties can be used to identify text contained images lead to the development of more vigorous and efficient algorithm.

**V. Future Scope**

Identifying text in images using geometric properties can also be extended to overlapping and blurred images. The proposed method could further be extended in the field of robotics, in which robots or mechanical arms can be used to identify text that could remain unidentified from human.

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