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Segmentation of Hindi Handwritten Words and Personality Prediction Using Word Spacing and Margin

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ABSTRACT: English Character Recognition approaches have been studied greatly in the last few years and its progress and success rate is quite high. But for regional languages these are still emerging and their success rate is moderate. There are millions of people who speak Hindi and use Devnagari script for writing. As digital documentation in Devnagari script is gaining popularity. Segmentation is one of the major stages of character recognition. This paper mainly deals with the new methods for line segmentation and character segmentation of characters of Handwritten Hindi text and shows word spacing and margin results. The text is segmented into lines, lines into words and then from characters. Algorithm is finding the header lines and base lines by estimating the average line height and based on it. This algorithm works efficiently on characters for different text images.

KEYWORDS: Devnagari script, Character Segmentation.

I. INTRODUCTION

From the past few decades handwritten character recognition is a frontier area of research on handwritten documents. No complete hand written text recognition system is available in Indian scenario and it is difficult due to large character set of Indian languages and the presence of vowel modifiers and compound characters in Indian script.Segmentation is one the most important process that decides the success of character recognition technique.

It is used to dissolve f an image of a sequence of characters into sub images of individual symbols by segmenting lines and words. Segmentation is to separate line, word and character from the image.

Background:In Recent years there is much work has been done in automated human behavior prediction system. It appears that there are many research studies exploiting various techniques blended with automated human behavior prediction system/ Graphology. If the graphology test is still done manually it takes a long time considering the aspects reviewed in graphology very much. Besides, accuracy of handwriting analysis depends on how skilled the analyst is. Development in image processing and pattern recognition lead to analyzing of handwriting can be done automatically. So it can be used by society at large. Handwriting is an image, so that recognition can be done through the stages of conversion of images into numerical vector, image processing for quality improvement, followed by feature extraction and pattern recognition.



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Characteristics of Hindi Script

Devnagari is most well-known script to write Hindi as well as Marathi, Sanskrit, Sindhi, and Nepali language with minor modifications. The alphabets of Devanagari script contain 33 consonants and 14 vowels. There is no any concept of lower or upper case in Hindi language. In Devnagari script, a text word may be divided into three zones. Upperzonerepresents the part above the headline, also middle zone covers the part of basic and compound characters under the headline, and lower zone may contain where some vowel and consonant modifiers can reside. A long number of characters (basic as well as compound) there exists a horizontal line at the upper part called as "shirorekha" or headline in Hindi.

II. RELATED WORK

1. Shubhra Saxena, P. C. Gupta, "A Novel Approach of Handwritten Devanagari Character Recognition through Feed Forward Back Propagation Neural Network".

Proposed Work:

Handwritten character recognition performs an important role in the modern world. It can solve more complicated problems and makes human's job easier. The present paper represents a novel approach in recognizing handwritten Devanagari character through feed forward back propagation neural network.

2. Snehal S.Patwardhan, R.R. Deshmukh, "A Review on Offline Handwritten Recognition of Devnagari Script". Proposed Work:

Character Recognition is a process by which a computer identifies letters, numbers, or symbols and turns them into a digital form that a computer can use and it is an active field of research today. It consists of Pattern Recognition and Image Processing. Character Recognition is generally categorized into Optical Character Recognition (OCR) and Handwritten Character Recognition (HCR).

3. Neha Sahu, R. K. Rathy, Indu Kashyap, "Survey and Analysis of Devnagari Character Recognition Techniques using Neural Networks".

Proposed Work:

Research in Optical Character Recognition (OCR) is very important particularly with an eye on its applications in banks, post offices, defense organizations, library automation, etc. Devnagari Optical Character Recognition needs more consideration as it is national language and there is less development in this field due to complexity in the script.

4. Saiprakash Palakollu, Renu Dhir, Rajneesh Rani, "Handwritten Hindi Text Segmentation Techniques for Lines and Characters".

Proposed Work:

This paper mainly deals with the new approach for line segmentation and character segmentation of overlapping characters of Handwritten Hindi text. The text is segmented into lines, lines into words and then from lines words header lines are detected and converted as straight lines. Each word is divided into three parts upper modifier, consonant and lower, so that character segmentation becomes easy.

5. Naresh Kumar Garg, Lakhwinder Kaur, M. K. Jindal, "Segmentation of Handwritten Hindi Text".

Proposed Work:

The main purpose of this paper is to provide the new segmentation technique based on structure approach for Handwritten Hindi text.



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6. Vikas J Dongre, Vijay H Mankar, "Devnagari Document Segmentation Using Histogram Approach". Proposed Work:

A simple histogram based approach to segment Devnagari documents is proposed in this paper. Various challenges in segmentation of Devnagari script are also discussed.

7.Partha Pratim Roy, Umapada Pal, Josep Lladós, "Morphology Based Handwritten Line Segmentation Using Foreground and Background Information".

Proposed Work:

In this paper we propose a method mostly based on morphological operation and run-length smearing algorithm (RLSA) to segment individual text lines from unconstrained handwritten document images.

8. Ratnashil N Khobragade, Dr. Nitin A. Koli, Mahendra S Makesar, "A Survey on Recognition of Devnagari Script".

Proposed Work:

In proposed system, we work on a set of preprocessing, segmentation, feature extraction, classification and matching techniques, which perform very important role in the recognition of characters. Feature extraction provides us techniques with the help of which we can identify characters uniquely and with high degree of accuracy. So many techniques have been proposed for pre-processing, feature extraction, learning/classification, and post-processing.

III. EXISTING SYSTEM APPROACH

The existing system is work on segmentation of lines and then characters. The segmented characters are then stores in result variable. First it Separate the lines and then it Separate the characters from the input image. This procedure is repeated till end of file. I.e. the existing system worked only on segmentation of word.

Disadvantages of Existing System:

Existing system work only on segmentation of words, so existing system not give word spacing and margin results.

IV. PROPOSED SYSTEM ARCHITECTURE

This system is works for Segmentation of words and shows word spacing and margin results. The segmented words are then stores in result. It segments the words from the input image. This procedure is repeated till end of file.

- 1. Read Input image
- 2. Convert image to gray scale image
- 3. Convert image to black and white i.e. threshold.
- 4. Invert image to change foreground pixels as background pixel and vice versa
- 5. Apply bounding box on segmented words.
- 6. Display the related result i.e. shows spacing and margin of words to predict the personality.

Classification:

Classification is based on following point

- 1. Classification using spacing between line structures.
- 2. Classification using spacing between word structures
- 3. Classification using page margin structure.



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Advantages of Proposed System:

- 1. System takes minimum time to segmentation.
- 2. It also helps you to identify the hidden talents and aptitudes, thus, helping you to choose a right career path for yourself.
- 3. Handwriting analysis plays an important role in motivating employees to get better performance. It also helps a manager to understand the needs of his employees and work on them. It can revise teamwork by helping the manager to understand individual & team strengths and weaknesses.
- 4. Proposed approach work on segmentation of words, also proposed system give word spacing and margin results.

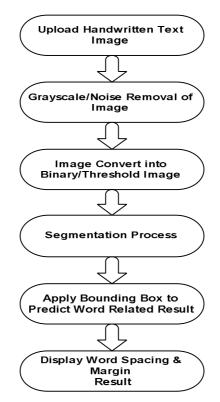


Fig1. Proposed System Architecture

V. RESULT ANALYSIS

Proposed work segmentation of lines and then segmentation of characters. First it Separate the lines and then it separate the characters from the input image. This procedure is repeated for all character images in image file. Then the segmented characters are stores in a result variable which are use to create the database for training and recognition of characters.



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Fig2. Input Image



Fig3. Grayscale Image



Fig4. Binary/Threshold Image



Fig5. Segmented Characters

VI. CONCLUSION

In this work, we have presented a primary work for segmentation of words of Hindi Manuscript i.e. handwritten Hindi script. We obtained successful segmentation result in word segmentation. It is problematic to identify exact connecting points for segmentation of upper and lower modifier, separating anuswara (.), full stop (.) from noise is critical as both feature the same. After segmentation we have to show the word spacing and word margin related result to predict the personality.

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