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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

- 1. AI -Artificial Intelligence
- 2. CSV Comma separated Values
- 3. HWR Hand witing recognition
- 4. ML Machine Learning
- 5. RBF -Radial Basis Function
- 6. SVM Support Vector Machine
- 7. SVC Support Vector Classifier

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ABSTRACT

The acknowledgment of Handwritten characters and digits has consistently been a truly challenging errand on account of the numerous varieties of transcribed characters with various composing styles.

Handwriting digit recognition systems are designed to transform handwritten digits into machine-readable representations. Handwritten Numeral Recognition plays an important role in postal automation services mainly in countries like India wherein more than one languages and scripts .The major objectives of this work is to create effective and reliable methods for accurately detecting numerals in order to make banking procedures more convenient and accurate.

This sort of clever framework is applied in different fields: really look at handling, handling of structures, programmed handling of manually written responses to an assessment, and so on. This last application is the subject of this work.

We use various machine learning algorithms to get the best accuracy for our result, we have use three type of algorithms to get best accuracy for our data set these are

SUPPORT VECTOR MACHINE, NEURAL NETWORK, AND CONVOLUTIONAL NEURAL NETWORK we got the best result in CONVOLUTIONAL NEURAL NETWORK which is 98% accuracy.

CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

1.1 Introduction

Handwriting recognition (HWR) is the methodology in which machine can succelly read the handwritten digits and character and can further interpreted as text or Number and convert it into digitised form.Optical Character Recognition (OCR) technology is used to convert images containing written text to machine-readable text data. The digital document becomes a modifiable file.

Text summarization refers to the technique of shortening lengthy text data. The aim is to create a consistent and fluent summary having only the important points sketched in the document. The summary gives insights into the whole document, leaving behind the insignificant and inessential pieces of text. It enhances readability, reduces time and eases the user. Automatic summarization tools are greatly needed to absorb relevant information faster and in an efficient manner.

1.2 Problem Statement

Our problem statement is handwritten digit recognition. Digits from 0-9 can be written in multiple ways by different people because of the variation in handwriting. Sometimes it is difficult to recognise the handwritten digits .Inorder to make this handwritten digit recognition feasible, our aim is to take an image of a handwritten digit and determine what digit it is with the help of our model deployed..

1.3 Objective

The main Objective of this project is to Successfully identify the handwritten digits from 0-9 and in order to achieve this we will be using Support vector Machine to implement a model .The SVM model will be able to identify the handwritten digits on the basis of pixel values as feature.So we can call this as a 10-class classification problem.

1.4 Methodology

For this problem, we are generating our very own dataset, The dataset consist of 600 Images of handwritten digits from 0-9. We are drawing the digit on paint and then capturing the image of the handwritten digit using the pyscreenshot package and then storing them in a folder each named from 0-9.

Each image that we stored in our dataset is 28x 28 pixels so in total there are 784 pixels in the image. So these 784 pixels are in such a way that the area where the digit is not drawn has a value of 0 and the area of the image in which the digit is drawn has a value other than 0. To generate the dataset we will be assigning 1 to the drawn region and 0 to the empty region where no digit is drawn.

In this project, I am trying to experiment with various hyperparameters in SVMs. With a sub-sample of 10-20% of the training data.

Handwriting Recognition based on SVM classifier

STEPS INVOLVED





1.4.1 Collecting Dataset :

We have to collect images of digits (from 0 to 9). To collect images, a pyscreenshot package can be used. Through which we are Drawing image of digits and then capturing it and then storing it.



1.4.2 Generating Dataset:

We have to generate our dataset using images that we have collected. To generate a dataset, what we have to do is, we have to assign 1 to the drawn region and 0 to the background. That means, in our dataset, we will be having only two values i.e., 0 and 1. Typically, 0 represents black and 255 represents white. We are assigning 0 to pixel value from 0 to 100 and 1 to pixel value from 100 to 255. Now our pixel value is not from 0 to 255, it is only 0 and 1. In this way, we are generating a dataset (csv file).

Final step is to open the dataset, shuffle it i.e., change the position of each row of data and display it.

1.4.3 Model Training and Testing

We have to separate dependent (Y) and independent variables (X). Our independent variable will be the pixel value (i.e. 0 and 1). And our dependent variable will be our digit (i.e. from 0 to 9). In the training part, we train our model i.e., we give our model pixel value (bunch of 0 and 1) and also label (i.e. which digit is this).

After this step, our model gets learned. Now, in the testing part, we only give a pixel value (bunch of 0 and 1) to our model, our model has to predict that digit. We count how much our model returns a true answer. This way, we calculate accuracy.

1.4.4 Digit Prediction:

We have to predict the digit drawn in paint. We draw a digit in paint and at the same time, pass that digit to the model, our model has to predict that digit.

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LITERATURE SURVEY

The first paper we referred to is Handwritten Digit Recognizer Using Machine learning.

 Hand Written Digit Recognition using Machine Learning

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The main goal of this study is to show and illustrate the work that has been done on hand-written digit repute. Characters and numbers written by hand One of the most difficult and fascinating aspects of sample recognition and image processing is recognition . Hand-written digit popularity is an extremely difficult task. The numbers in this popularity venture aren't properly written or scripted since they vary in shape and length; as a result, feature extraction and segmentation of hand-written numerical script is time-consuming.or the purpose of segmentation within the suggested artworks, vertical and horizontal projections are employed. SVM is used for reputation and classification.

The next paper we referred is Off-line Handwritten Character recognition System Using SVM

Off-Line Handwritten Character Recognition System Using Support Vector Machine

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A completely off-line handwritten character popularity machine has been developed using the suggested Support Vector Machine.Studies were conducted out using a standard database obtained from CEDAR, as well as four unique function extraction algorithms to generate the final characteristic vector.In order to get great viable category accuracy, classifier selection is critical.The results of the experiments show that SVM outperforms other techniques proposed in the literature in terms of overall performance.

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SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT

_Support Vector Machine Algorithm:

The goal of the SVM calculation is to make the nice line or desired limit that could isolate n-dimensional space into classes so we will absolutely put the new element inside the proper category afterward. Hyperplane is the first-class preference restriction .

The Support Vector Machine, or SVM, is arguably the most well-known Supervised Learning method, and it's used for both classification and regression problems.SVM selects the outlandish focuses/vectors that aid in the creation of the hyperplane. These outlandish scenarios are referred to as support vectors, and the calculation is referred to as a Support Vector Machine. SVM is mostly used in Machine Learning for Classification problems.

Consider the diagram below, which shows two distinct categories that are defined by a choice limit or hyperplane:



fig.5

ALGORITHM:

- 1. Distinguish the right hyperplane which isolates the two classes better.
- 2. Estimate the distance as an edge by finding the maximum extreme distance between the nearest information point and the hand hyperplane. Similarly, seek for a hyperplane on both sides with the most extreme edge. The hyperplane with a higher edge is more strong, even though the low edge has been changed for misclassification.
- 3. SVM selects the classifier for the enhanced edge with precision.
- 4. SVM is a powerful classifier with a feature that allows it to ignore anomalies and seek for the hyperplane with the largest edge.



MATHEMATICAL

The linear algebra that can be used to generate hyper - plane learning in linear SVM is known as Kernel.To overcome these challenges, SVM contains many of the most frequent kernels. SVM features a kernel technique that allows it to achieve higher accuracy.

The radial basis function (RBF) kernel is the most preferred. The Linear kernel is the simplest of them all. The Polynomial kernel and the Sigmoid kernel are kernels for normalising data issues.

• Kernel :F(x) = B(0) + sum(ai * (X, Xi))

- The linear kernel: $K(x, y) = x \times y$
- RBF kernel: $K(x, y) = \exp(-\gamma ||x y||^2)$
- The Sigmoid kernel: $K(x, y) = \tanh (\beta_0 x y + \beta_1)$
- The polynomial kernel: $K(x, y) = [(x \times y) + 1]^d$

Steps Of Implementation : -

- 1. First we will Import the necessary Python libraries and then we will load the image dataset of our handwritten digit
- 2. Next step is Preprocessing and splitting of data into train & test dataset
- 3. Build the Support vector machine model
- 4. Perform the training of model
- 5. Evaluating the efficiency of model using performance metrics
- 6. Digit prediction with the help of GUI.

TECHNIQUES:

3.1 SVM

The Handwritten digit Recognizer and Summarizer have been programmed using Python language on Jupyter Notebook.

Following are the steps followed to build the model:

1. Obtain the dataset of images of handwritten characters. My data set contains digits from 0-9.



Fig 7

2. Train the model using a training set of images



Out[6]: <matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x1bcb1c7bcd0>

- 2. Validation and testing of the model trained using a training set.
- 3. Obtain digits dataset of images of handwritten digits.
- 4. Apply contour analysis technique so as to segment the Digit images into individual images.
- 5. Once digits have been segregated, they are passed to the model for digit recognition.
- 6. And then for any input digit drawn through paint we are predicting the result through an interface.

3.2 NEURAL NETWORK

A Neural organisation is a progression of calculations that undertakes to perceive hidden connections in a bunch of information through an interaction that emulates the manner in which the human mind works. In this sense, neural organisations allude to frameworks of neurons, either natural or fake in nature.

Neural organisations can adjust to evolving input; so the organisation produces the most ideal outcome without expecting to upgrade the result measures. The idea of neural organisations, which has its foundations in man-made brainpower, is quickly acquiring fame in the advancement of exchanging frameworks.

Manually written digit acknowledgment utilising MNIST dataset is a significant venture made with the assistance of Neural Network. It essentially distinguishes the filtered pictures of manually written digits.

We have made this a stride further where our manually written digit acknowledgment framework identifies filtered pictures of transcribed digits as well as permits composing digits on the screen with the assistance of a coordinated GUI for acknowledgment.



Fig 8

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[] import os import cv2 import numpy as no import matplotlib.pyplot as plt import tensorflow as tf mnist = tf.keras.datasets.mnist (x_train, y_train),(x_test,y_test)=mnist.load_data()

Downloading data from https://storage.googleapis.com/tensorflow/tf-keras-datasets/mnist.npz 11493376/11490434 [=========] - 08 Ous/step

2. Train the model using a training set of images

```
[11] import tensorflow as tf
       x_train = tf.keras.utils.normalize(x_train,axis=1)
       x_test = tf.keras.utils.normalize(x_test,axis=1)
       model=tf.keras.models.Sequential()
       model.add(tf.keras.layers.Flatten(input_shape=(28,28)))
       model.add(tf.keras.layers.Dense(128,activation='relu'))
       model.add(tf.keras.layers.Dense(128,activation='relu'))
       model.add(tf.keras.layers.Dense(10,activation='softmax'))
       model.compile(optimizer='adam', loss='sparse_categorical_crossentropy', metrics=['accuracy'])
       model.fit(x_train, y_train,epochs=3)
       model.save('handwritten.model')
       Epoch 1/3
       1875/1875 [------] - 6s 3ms/step - loss: 0.2624 - accuracy: 0.9237
       Epoch 2/3
       1875/1875 [=================] - 95 5ms/step - loss: 0.1075 - accuracy: 0.9671
       Epoch 3/3
```

Validation and testing of the model trained using a training set.

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	V 0s	[12]	<pre>model = tf.keras.models.load_model('handwritten.model')</pre>		
V Os	V 0s	[13]	<pre>loss, accuracy = model.evaluate(x_test, y_test) print(loss) print(accuracy)</pre>		
			313/313 [=======================] - 1s 2ms/step - loss: 0.0914 - accuracy: 0.9736 0.09140726178884506 0.9735999703407288		

3.3 CONVOLUTIONAL NEURAL NETWORK:

A Convolutional Neural Network or CNN is a Deep Learning Algorithm which is extremely successful in taking care of picture characterization assignments. Catching the Temporal and Spatial conditions in a picture with the assistance of channels or kernels is capable.



Fig. 2. Layers in CNN

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Steps Of Implementation : -

1. Obtain the dataset of images of handwritten characters. My data set contains digits from 0-9.

```
from keras.layers import *
from keras.models import Sequential
import keras
```

```
[ ] #building Model
```

```
model=Sequential()
model.add(Conv2D(32,(3,3),activation='relu',input_shape=(28,28,1)))
model.add(MaxPool2D(2,2))
model.add(Conv2D(64,(3,3),activation='relu'))
model.add(MaxPool2D(2,2))
model.add(Conv2D(64,(3,3),activation='relu'))
model.add(Flatten())
model.add(Flatten())
model.add(Dense(64,activation='relu'))
model.add(Dense(10,activation='softmax'))
```

2.Model building

```
model.summary()
```

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Model: "sequential_1"

Layer (type)	Output	Shape	Param #
conv2d_3 (Conv2D)	(None,	26, 26, 32)	320
max_pooling2d_3 (MaxPooling2	(None,	13, 13, 32)	0
conv2d_4 (Conv2D)	(None,	11, 11, 64)	18496
<pre>max_pooling2d_4 (MaxPooling2</pre>	(None,	5, 5, 64)	0
conv2d_5 (Conv2D)	(None,	3, 3, 64)	36928
max_pooling2d_5 (MaxPooling2	(None,	1, 1, 64)	0
flatten (Flatten)	(None,	64)	0
dense (Dense)	(None,	64)	4160
dense_1 (Dense)	(None,	10)	650
Total params: 60,554 Trainable params: 60,554 Non-trainable params: 0			

3.Next step is Preprocessing and splitting of data into train & test dataset

```
[ ] from keras.utils.np utils import to categorical
      from keras.datasets import mnist
      (xtrain,ytrain),(xtest,ytest)=mnist.load data()
 [ ] def process_data(x,y):
           x=x.reshape((-1,28,28,1))
           x=x/255.0
           y=to categorical(y)
           return x,y
 [ ] xtrain,ytrain=process data(xtrain,ytrain)
      xtest,ytest=process_data(xtest,ytest)
      print(xtrain.shape,ytrain.shape)
      print(xtest.shape,ytest.shape)
       (60000, 28, 28, 1) (60000, 10)
      (10000, 28, 28, 1) (10000, 10)
  model.compile(optimizer='adam',loss='categorical_crossentropy',metrics=['accuracy'])
   hist=model.fit(xtrain,ytrain,epochs=20,batch_size=128,validation_split=0.1)
[ ] model.evaluate(xtest,ytest)
```

```
313/313 [------] - 2s 5ms/step - loss: 0.0659 - accuracy: 0.9868 [0.065882109105587, 0.9868000745773315]
```

4.Plotting the results in histogram.



CHAPTER -4

PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS

4.1 SVM:

- In [5]: X = data.drop(["label"],axis=1)
 Y= data["label"]
- In [6]: %matplotlib inline import matplotlib.pyplot as plt import cv2 idx = 118 img = X.loc[idx].values.reshape(28,28) print(Y[idx]) plt.imshow(img)

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Out[6]: <matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x1bcb1c7bcd0>



Fig 10

The Accuracy Of our Model is 83.33%

- In [8]: import joblib
 from sklearn.svm import SVC
 classifier=SVC(kernel="linear", random_state=6)
 classifier.fit(train_x,train_y)
 joblib.dump(classifier, "model/digit recognizer")
- Out[8]: ['model/digit_recognizer']
- In [9]: from sklearn import metrics
 prediction=classifier.predict(test_x)
 print("Accuracy= ",metrics.accuracy_score(prediction, test_y))

Accuracy= 0.83333333333333334

Fig 11

4.2 NEURAL NETWORK:

The Accuracy Of our Model is 97.35%

```
[12] model = tf.keras.models.load_model('handwritten.model')
[13] loss, accuracy = model.evaluate(x_test, y_test)
print(loss)
print(accuracy)
313/313 [======] - 1s 2ms/step - loss: 0.0914 - accuracy: 0.9736
0.09140726178884506
0.9735999703407288
```

4.3 CONVOLUTIONAL NEURAL NETWORK:

The Accuracy Of our Model is 98.68%

[] model.evaluate(xtest,ytest)

313/313 [=========================] - 2s 5ms/step - loss: 0.0659 - accuracy: 0.9868 [0.065882109105587, 0.9868800745773315]

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The following are the snippets through which we can analyse our result ,through the digit we have provided in input.

Input digit is 9 and the predicted result is 9.



Fig 12

The input digit is 6 and the predicted result is 6.



Fig 13



The input digit is 5 and the predicted result is 5.



The input digit is 0 and the predicted result is 0.



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CHAPTER -5

CONCLUSION

5.1 Conclusion and Future work

We developed a model using SVM and designed a GUI through which we can predict handwritten digits. And in the project we were able to train model for 600 image dataset and predict the values of digit we have provided as input using SVM.As the amount of information increments grows, there is always the possibility of improving accuracy .Accuracy can fluctuate depending on how training data and testing data information is distributed, and it can also rise when more training and testing data is supplied.

Further to improve the performance of the model we can use a hybrid classifier of SVM and NN(Nearest Neighbour)technique to solve the problem.

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