

Age and Gender Identification Using Neural Networks

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ABSTRACT- Face recognition is still very challenging and complex problem. This problem can be credited as large intra-personal variations and large inter personal similarity. Facial recognition is the application of biometric breakthroughs that can observe or verify a person by observing and examining designs based on the individual's shape. Despite the increased interest in other applications, face recognition is still mostly utilized for well-being. Generally, advancements in face recognition are worthwhile since they may have a wide range of legal applications and commercial uses.

I. INTRODUCTION

Although interest in other areas of application is growing, the majority of applications for facial recognition (FR) are in the medical field. Due to its promise in a variety of legal permission and business contexts [2], FR technology has garnered considerable attention. It has found widespread use in a variety of contexts, including automated teller machines, the social security system, the driving pass system, the rail ticket system, the help of observers, and the authentication of identities. The technology behind facial recognition works by analyzing the face's three-dimensional shape. One of the most important factors is the size of the space between the ears, and another is the quality of the transition from the face to the mandible [3]. The code separates feature of the face that are essential for facial differentiation and create your facial signature. There have been significant developments in FR [4] as a direct result of the application of deep learning methods. Initially, most of the investigation concentrated on FR with a complex system of important light or image aspects. The methods of deep learning and face-to-face learning are briefly discussed, and Stephen [5] contrasts some elementary neural formulas based on widespread convolution neural networks. (CNNs). The design of the deep networks used in FR is examined [6]. These networks include the deep belief network (DBN), the convolutional neural network (CNN), the auto encoder (AE), and others. A substantial index of deep learning methods was evaluated by Mandal [7].

Knowing a person's age and gender is crucial for many real-world uses, including but not limited to: social comprehension; fingerprints; identity verification; video monitoring; HCI; electronic consumer; mob behavior

analysis; online advertising; item suggestion; and many more. Despite the enormous potential of these models, automated age and gender prediction from face pictures remains a challenging issue, largely due to the many causes of intra-class differences in people's facial images. In the past few years, numerous works have been suggested for predicting both age and gender. In the past, face pictures were manually annotated with characteristics before being fed into an algorithm. However, the latest studies on age and gender forecasts have moved toward deep neural networks based models because of the tremendous success of these models in different computer vision issues in the past decade [1]-[5].

To simultaneously forecast age and gender from facial pictures, we suggest a deep learning approach in this paper. We use an attentional neural network with the hunch that certain local areas of the face have more distinct cues about the age and gender of a person (such as goatee and mustache for male, and creases around the eyes and lips for age). To pay more attention to the most interesting and important portion of the face, which serves as one of our main examples. There are three example pictures and the associated focus map results from two distinct model levels presented in Figure 1. As can be seen, the outputs of the model are particularly responsive to border patterns around face features and creases, both of which play a significant role in determining age and gender.

We use a single model with a multi-task learning method to simultaneously forecast both gender and age buckets from images, as doing so is very similar to the process of doing so for ages. Given that it is easier to guess a person's age if we know their gender, we also add the anticipated gender output to the feature of the age-prediction fork. We demonstrate experimentally that incorporating anticipated gender into the age prediction fork boosts model performance. Our model's forecast precision is enhanced by combining the predictions of the attentional network and the residual network into a single predictor using their ensemble model.

II. PROBLEM STATEMENT

In order to overcome the issues in face recognition caused by ageing, discriminative models based techniques have been suggested.

Human faces generally develop in the same way as we age, however because people come from diverse ethnic and gender groups, their facial ageing features vary. It is therefore incorrect to presume that everyone's faces age similarly when comparing them. The periorbital region of the face, which is quite dense, can be used to get around these restrictions.

III. LITERATURE REVIEW

Felix Anda, David Lillis, and the other members of the forensic and security research group have directed their work in the direction of an analysis of the state of the art behavior of various cloud-based biometric services (CBBS). The Model-View-Controller (MVC) framework is what is utilized in order to collect the data based on the criteria that is provided. During the manual filtering process, the photos that are incorrect or unneeded are deleted. An empirical evaluation that is based on observation is the mechanism that is utilized for evaluation in order to determine whether CBBS and pre-trained models produce the least amount of mean square error (MAE). The Caffey model is applied in this scenario for the purpose of determining the subject's age and gender [1].

Md. Hafizur Rahman and Md. Abul Bashar were able to determine the ages of the subjects and the genders of the male and female subjects by converting the RGB (red, blue, green) image to the YCbCr (luminance, chrominance, blue, and red) format, which is utilized in video compression. The most common use for this format is to identify an individual's skin tone. The lighting compensation (LC) algorithm is utilized at the pre-processing step in order to enhance the image and return the colors to their natural state.

The pre-processed image has its characteristics extracted with the help of the Gabor filter, and then the image is categorized with the help of logistic regression [2].

Curvature changes in non-uniform Rational B-splines (NURBS) deformations are used in this investigation to identify age- and gender-related differences in the surface patterns of MR images. Using this, it is possible to identify differences in the development of the brain that are related to factors such as age and gender [3]. In order to determine a person's age and gender, a diverse set of algorithms is applied, and these algorithms are compared at various stages. The population pyramids scaling methodology is employed as a pre-processing method, and the resulting data is categorized for gender detection based on the accuracy score between the linear support vector machine and the logistic regression. The age prediction can be done in one of two ways: either by making use of the node attributes in conjunction with the multinomial logistic process (MN Logistic), or by making use of the network topology in conjunction with a communication network structure and a reaction-diffusion algorithm [4].

Using a deep residual learning network with connections that contains a gender estimation network and a gender-specific age network, the spotting of age and gender is done. The output from the gender network is utilized as weights for estimating the outputs of the two age networks. This network also contains a deep residual learning network with connections that contains a gender

estimation network and a gender-specific age network. For the purpose of age estimation, the model in question made use of regression [5]. The FG-net database contains predefined columns that indicate the correct location of the eyes, nose, and lips, among other facial features, so that it is possible to readily identify these features from the set of photographs. This article includes the application of SVM for the purpose of classifying subjects based on their gender and age [6].

For the purpose of age and gender classification based on the dataset, predefined information relating to age levels between 17 and 80 years old was required. The time of fixation, density, and arcs are the three different feature vectors that are examined when applying the protocols to categorize the male and female from the given dataset. After this, an ADA-boost protocol is implemented in the pre-processing stage. The gaze analysis technique for human identification (GANT) was selected in the end as the predictive methodology [7]. [8] Think of a dataset that has different age and gender categories, where the personality, age, and gender labels are treated as if they were a corpus. An emotional challenge tournament that took place in 2009 is analyzed with open SMILE in order to extract features. The shared-hidden-layer auto-encoder (SHLA) is then used to find shared representations between the different corpora after these features have been split apart. A linear support vector machine (support vector machine) Existing System:

Recently, researchers have been concentrating their efforts on solving the problems of face identification or recognition as well as face verification. The findings of this study can be broken down into two primary categories: global and local approaches. In global approaches, face models are created and used as generative models. In global approaches, first synthetic images of the person at the required age need to be developed, and then the given image needs to be matched with those images. Local techniques build face models as discriminative models. It is necessary for local approaches to have their own system for the extraction of features and the goal of classification in order to match two photographs of the same individual. In contrast to the procedures described above, the models of conventional methods are created by hand.

IV. PROPOSED SYSTEM

In general, advancements in facial recognition are worthy of consideration because they have the potential to be applied across a wide range of judicial jurisdictions and in a variety of business settings. It has a significant presence in a variety of settings. Facial identification combined with facial geometry processing yields the method by which it operates. The most important variables are the space in between the ears as well as the path that leads from the front to the mandible. This code identifies the prominence of the face, which is significant for facial differentiation and contributes to the formation of facial expression. As a result, the purpose of this research is to provide an overview of age identification through the application of various combinations of machine learning and image processing techniques on the picture dataset.

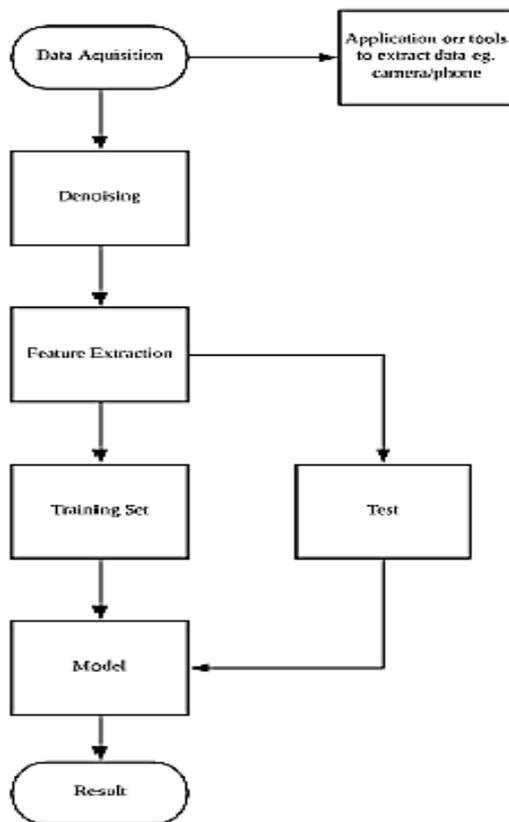


Figure 1: Model levels

V. METHODOLOGY

As a first step, we compile all of the relevant information. At the data preparation phase, we gather face image samples and pre-process them to enhance their sharpness. The second step involves applying a feature extraction process to the segmented images. These features are then incorporated into the teaching process after they have been discovered.

Each model is then used to make a forecast about the arriving image in the final, predictive, and evaluation phase. Accuracy of each model will be calculated and evaluated.

Python Is Widely Used in Data Science

As Python's environment matures, more and more instruments for conducting statistical research will become accessible to users of the language.

It is elegant while still being easy to handle. This is the perfect combination.

Python places a premium on both clear communication and effective use of space.

Python is a programming language that is used by developers who are interested in investigating data analysis or implementing statistical techniques. (and by devs that turn to data science)

There is a wealth of Python scientific tools accessible for use in a variety of scientific contexts, such as data visualization, machine learning, natural language processing, complex data analysis, and many more. Python is an excellent alternative to expensive programs such as Mat Lab and a helpful instrument for scientific computing thanks to all of these features. Python is also known as the Python programming language. When it

comes to the field of data science, the following are the platforms and applications that are utilized the most:

Pandas is a utility that is employed for the purposes of data analysis and manipulation. You are able to manipulate numerical tables and time sequences by making use of the data structures and functions provided by the framework.

NumPy is the component that serves as the framework for Python's scientific computing environment. It enables the manipulation of large, multidimensional arrays and vectors and provides access to a comprehensive library of high-level mathematical functions.

SciPy is a toolset for technological and scientific programming that is utilized by researchers, engineers, and scientists. It was developed in Python.

Because it is free, adaptable, cross-platform, general-purpose, and high-level, Python has gained a lot of traction in the academic world. Another reason for its prevalence is that it is cross-platform. Python's straightforward structure, user-friendliness, and interoperability with a wide range of other languages (including C and C++) have earned it a prestigious place in the scientific community.

VI. CONCLUSION

In this article, we suggested a deep learning framework for simultaneously recognizing a person's age and gender based on facial photographs. This was accomplished by analyzing the images of the person's face. The physical characteristics of the individual were dissected in order to achieve this result. We use an attentional convolutional network because we have a hypothesis that different local regions of the face contain more distinct information about an individual's age and gender. This hypothesis drives our decision to use this type of network. (such as a goatee and mustache for a male, and wrinkles around the eyes and mouth for age). In light of the fact that this is one of our principal models, we will direct a greater portion of our attention toward the distinguishing and instructive features of the face. The reason for this is that it is one of the principal templates that we use. Figure 1 presents a few examples, which include three distinct images along with the attention map findings that were produced by our algorithm at two distinct levels for each of these pictures. These findings are presented in a visual format. As can be seen, the conclusions of the model are most susceptible to the perimeter patterns that surround the various facial regions. The findings of the model are most responding to wrinkles, which are significant for both age and gender projection. In addition to wrinkles, which are significant for both age and gender projection, wrinkles are also significant for gender projection.

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

The authors declare that they have no conflicts of interest.

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