

# Content Based Image Retrieval using GLCM

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**ABSTRACT:** This paper mainly focuses on a non-conventional image retrieval technique called content Based image retrieval (CBIR). CBIR will possess a new dimension in the field of digital image processing. In CBIR images are retrieved not only based on the manual annotation or tags of the image, rather it focuses on the content of the image (color, shape, texture). This paper constructs and proposes a system that retrieves the relevant image based on five major features like GLCM (Gray level co-relation matrix), mean, standard deviation, skewness of R, G, B components. After extracting the features, these systems construct image dataset for each image. Then the user generated query is compared with the system dataset. Those images that generate the highest throughput are displayed. The accuracy of our system is measured by using precision & recall strategies.

**KEYWORDS:** Content Based Image Retrieval, GLCM, Precision & Recall, Standard Deviation, Skewness, Threshold value.

## I. INTRODUCTION

Content-based image retrieval, a technique which uses visual contents to search images from large scale image databases according to users' interests, has been an active and fast advancing research area since the 1990s. During the past decade, remarkable progress has been made in both theoretical research and system development.

### A. ARCHITECTURE OF CONTENT BASED IMAGE RETRIEVAL

The architecture of content based image retrieval system having online and off line processing part. The images which are stored in database are processed offline. Features are extracted from stored images and extracted features are kept in image Meta data database. These extracted features are used to index the image. In other part, user generated query image is analyzed and necessary features are extracted then these extracted features are used to retrieve the similar images from the image database. Rather than directly comparing two images, similarity of the visual features of the query image is measured. (Mitra, S., & Acharya, T., 2005).

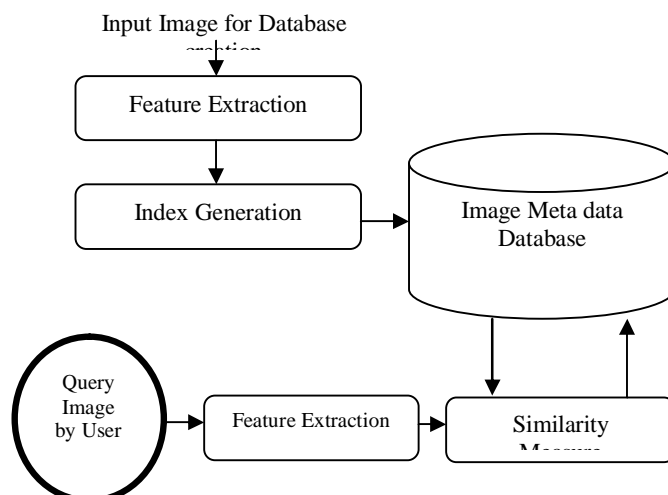


Fig 1: Architecture of Content Based Image Retrieval

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## B. IMAGE CONTENT DESCRIPTORS

Image content may be described in terms of visual and semantic contents. General Visual content focus on color, texture, shape, spatial relationship, etc, whereas domain specific visual content may emphasis on domain specific content like human face. Semantic content is obtained either by textual annotation or by complex inference procedures based on visual content. Color is the most important features, while we can identify only a limited number of gray levels, but our eyes are able to differentiate thousands of colors and a computer can represent even millions of distinguishable colours in practice.

**COLOR MOMENTS:** Color moments are used to distinguish images based on their features of color. They provide a measurement for color similarity between images. Similarity value can then be compared to the values of images indexed in a database for tasks like image retrieval.

In Digital Image processing two color models are frequently used – RGB(Red, Green, Blue) and HSV(Hue, Saturation, Value), as color can be defined by 3 channels (e.g. RGB or HSV), therefore color moments are calculated for each of these channels. An image is characterized by 9 moments that is 3 moments for each of the 3 color channels. Let  $P_{ij}$  is the  $i^{th}$  Color channel at the  $j^{th}$  image pixel. Then three Color moments can be defined as:

**Mean:** It provides average Color value in the image. It is calculated using following statics:

$$Mean(\mu) = \sum_{j=1}^N \frac{1}{N} P_{ij} \quad \text{Where, N is the total number of pixels in the image.}$$

**Standard deviation:** The standard deviation is the square root of the variance of the distribution. It is calculated using following statics:

$$Std.Deviation(\sigma) = \sqrt{\left( \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^N (P_{ij} - E_i)^2 \right)}$$

**Skewness:** It gives measure of the degree of asymmetry in the distribution. It is calculated using following statics:

$$Skewness(s) = \sqrt[3]{\left( \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^N (P_{ij} - E_i)^3 \right)}$$

## GREY-LEVEL CO-OCCURRENCE MATRIX:

In a statistical texture analysis, texture features were computed on the basis of statistical distribution of pixel intensity. Depending on the number of pixels or dots in each combination present in an image matrix, we have the first-order statistics, second-order statistics or higher-order statistics. Feature extraction based on grey-level co-occurrence matrix. (GLCM) is the second-order statistics that can be use to analyzing image as a texture. GLCM is also called gray tone spatial dependency matrix.

The figure below represents the formation of the GLCM of the grey-level (4 levels) image at the distance  $d = 1$  and the direction of  $0^\circ$ .

		0	1	2	3	
0	0	1	1	1	0	1
1	0	1	1	1	1	4
0	2	2	2	2	2	0
2	2	3	3	3	0	0
2	2	3	3	3	0	0

Fig2. [a] Example of image matrix with 4gray levels  
[b] GLCM for distance 1 & direction  $0^\circ$

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Now the question comes in our mind how we can calculate the direction.

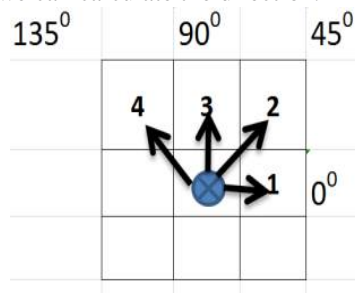


Fig3. Direction of GLCM generation.

From the centre (⊗) to the pixel 1 representing direction =  $0^\circ$  with distance  $d=1$ , to the pixel 2 direction =  $45^\circ$  with distance  $d=1$ , to the pixel 3 direction =  $90^\circ$  with distance  $d=1$ , and to the pixel 4 direction =  $135^\circ$  with distance  $d=1$ . In addition to the horizontal direction ( $0^\circ$ ), GLCM can also be formed for the direction of  $45^\circ$ ,  $90^\circ$  and  $135^\circ$  as shown in Figure.

## II. RELATED WORK

In 2008 Chun, Y. D., Kim, N. C., & Jang, I. H. proposed a CBIR method based on an efficient combination of multiresolution color and texture features. This paper focus on color features, color auto-correlograms of the hue and saturation component images in HSV color space. In addition, the proposed method almost always shows performance gain in precision versus recall and in ANMRR over the other methods. Dr. H.B.Kekre, Sudeep D. Thepade, Tanuj K. Sarode and Vashali Suryawanshi proposed a image retrieval techniques using GLCM, LBG (Linde-Buzo-Gray) and KPE(Kekre's Proportionate Error) algorithm for texture feature extraction. They prepare a system that computes 89.10% less computations compare to GLCM method. Zhang,J. et. al. proposed a method that gives encouraging results when comparing its retrieval performance to that of the traditional co-occurrence matrices and Yao's approach.

## III. PROPOSED METHODOLOGY & ALGORITHM

The proposed method shows some relevant images to the user based on the query image the user selects. This paper proposed a new approach for Content based image retrieval system in efficient manner. In this proposed method a database is constructed which having number of images. The user has to input test image (query image) and selected object images. Low level Features like color, histogram, skewness and standard deviation and texture are then extracted for test (query) image and object images.

All images will be manipulated in the same manner and information will be stored after applying a special strategy named GLCM which together will form a database. the input image or the query image will be processed in the same manner and then will be compared with all the image data present in that particular dataset. After manipulating the images with less difference will be retrieved by the algorithm. Workflow diagram and proposed methodology of this paper is described in figure 4.

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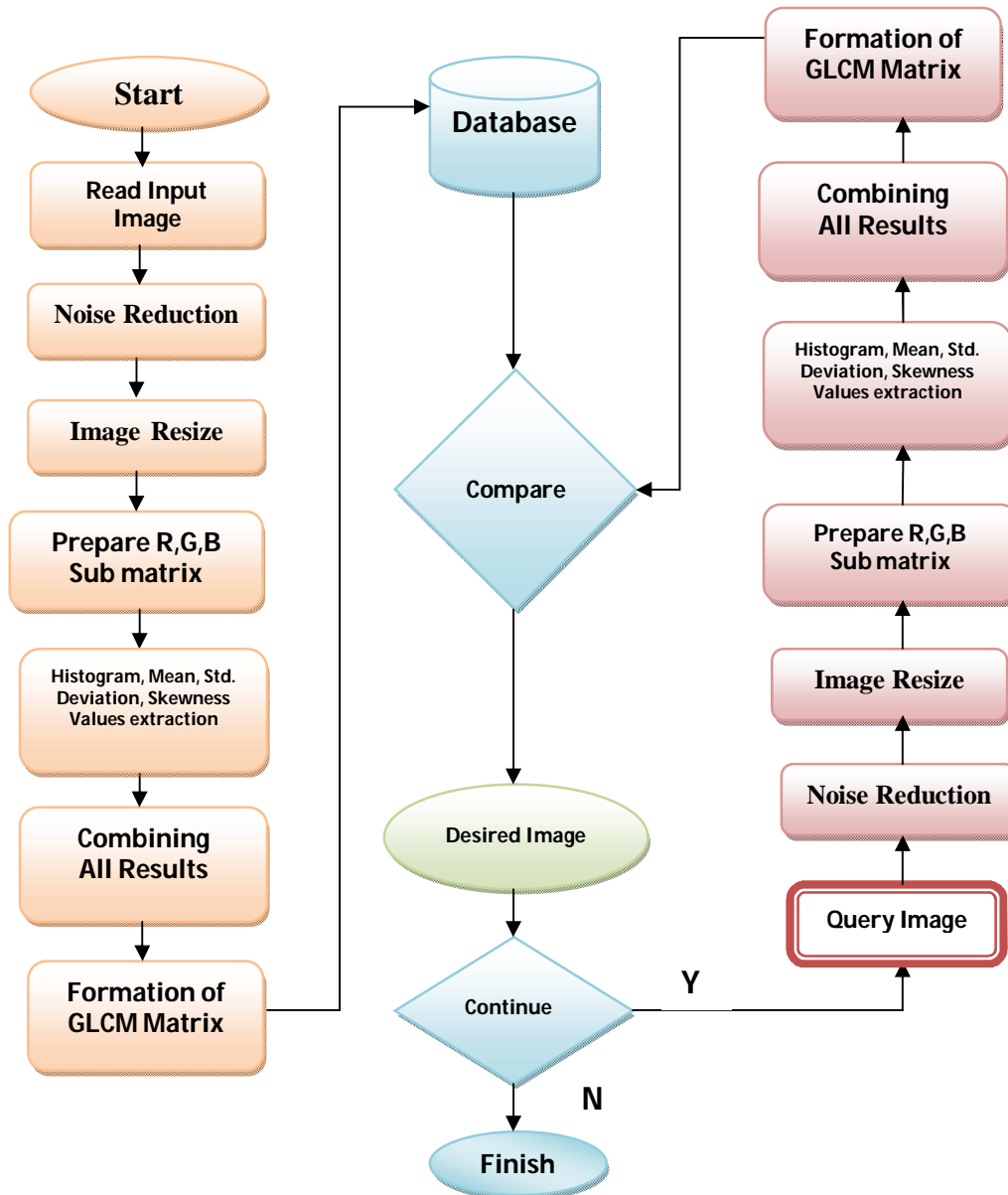


Fig 4: Worked flow and methodology which can be adopted

## IV. PSEUDO CODE

### Algorithm for Creation of Image Dataset

- Step 1:** Read input image and create image Matrix
- Step 2:** Resize that input image to 128×128 image Matrix
- Step 3:** Apply noise reduction technique to remove noise.
- Step 4:** Extracting the histogram value from R,G,B components of resized image(R\_hist, G\_hist,B\_hist).
- Step 5:** Extracting the Mean value from R,G,B components of resized image (R\_mean, G\_mean,B\_mean).
- Step 6:** Extracting the Stander deviation value from R,G,B components of resized image(R\_sd, G\_sd,B\_sd).



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- Step 7:** Extracting the Skew value from R,G,B components of resized image(R\_skew, G\_skew,B\_ skew).
- Step 8:** Result1:= combine (R\_hist,R\_mean,R\_sd,R\_skew)
- Step 9:** Result 2:=combine (G\_hist,G\_mean,G\_sd,G\_skew)
- Step 10:** Result 3:= combine (B\_hist,B\_mean,B\_sd,B\_skew)
- Step 11:** Result := combine (Result1,Result2,Result3)
- Step 12:** Apply GLCM technique in Result Matrix
- Step 13:** Store 8×8 GLCM feature vector in Image Dataset

## Algorithm for comparing of Image Dataset

- Step 1:** Read Image
- Step 2:** xx=1
- Step 3:** t=Zero(1,n)
- Step 4:** for i=1:n
  - J := num2str(i);
  - K=Xlsread(j)
  - P1=sum(sum(abs(n-k)))
  - if p1<=10
    - t(xx)=i
    - xx=xx+1
  - end if
  - if p1<= - 0.0
    - not=('not valid')
  - end if

## V. PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

To assess the retrieval efficiency can be measured in terms of its recall and precision. Precision, P, is defined as the ratio of the number of retrieved relevant images to the total number of retrieved images. Precision P measures the accuracy of the retrieval.

$$Precision = \frac{\text{Number of relevant images retrieved}}{\text{Total number of images retrieved}} = \frac{X}{X+Y}$$

Recall, R, is defined as the ratio of the number of retrieved relevant images to the total number of relevant images in the whole database.

$$Recall = \frac{\text{Number of relevant images retrieved}}{\text{Total number of relevant images}} = \frac{X}{X+Z}$$

Where X represent the number of relevant images that are retrieved, Y, the number of irrelevant items and the Z, number of relevant items those were not retrieved. The number of relevant items retrieved is the number of the returned images that are similar to the query image in this case. The total number of items retrieved is the number of images that are returned by the search engine.

The efficiency of the retrieval, namely recall precision and accuracy were calculated for color images from image database. Standard formulas have been used to compute accuracy rate.

$$AccuracyRate = \frac{Precision + Recall}{2}$$

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## VI.SIMULATION RESULTS

The simulation study involves some basic operations. In First stage of this research work a random collection of more than hundred images are stored. Different categories of images include dumbbell, pen, bus, flower etc. These images are stored and feature extract techniques are applied, extracted features are kept in image database. When the user generate a query image in the user terminal, the features of the query image is checked with the corresponding features of the previously stored database images, if the difference between these result is below the threshold value (in that case it is 10) the set of final retrieved images are displayed. Simulation report is shown in table 1.


QUERY IMAGE	RETRIEVED IMAGE	P1 VALUE <i>Which is the difference between GLCM of query and dataset image matrix (threshold value is 10)</i>
		P1 = 8 P1 = 7
		P1 = 10 P1 = 5
		P1 = 7 P1 = 9
		P1 = 8 P1 = 9

Table 1: result analysis of query and retrieved images based on threshold value.

## TEST CASE ANALYSIS

The best testing is to test each sub-system separately. In this paper we showed some random sample of test cases in table 2. First case study shown that user generated query is figure 5. Features of the query image checked with the stored database images, actual output is generated based on threshold value. If actual output is matched with the desire output then that test case is called successful, if it is partially matched then partially successful else unsuccessful.



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Test Cases	Query Images	Desired Output	Actual Output	Result
Case 1	Figure 5	Figure 2, Figure 5, Figure 10	Figure 2, Figure 5, Figure 10	Successful
Case 2	Figure 15	Figure 20, Figure 25, Figure 15	Figure 22, Figure 25, Figure 15	Partially Successful
Case 3	Figure 46	Figure 42, Figure 46, Figure 49	Figure 42, Figure 46, Figure 49	Successful
Case 4	Figure 65	Figure 62, Figure 65, Figure 70	Figure 65, Figure 77, Figure 40	Unsuccessful
Case 5	Figure 75	Figure 72, Figure 75, Figure 80	Figure 72, Figure 75, Figure 77	Partially Successful

Table 2: Test Case Analysis

## VII. CONCLUSION AND FUTURE WORK

Content Based Image Retrieval is an exciting field in Digital Image Processing domain. In this paper a system is proposed and implemented which accepts any color image from the user end and corresponding relevant output images are displayed. This paper mainly focus on five major features like GLCM (Gray level co-relation matrix), mean, standard deviation, skewness of R, G, B components. In this proposed method a database is constructed which having number of images. The user has to input test image (query image) and selected object images. Low level Features like color, histogram, skewness and standard deviation and texture are then extracted for test (query) image and object images.

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