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# Automatic Date Fruit Recognition from Natural Images Using Random Forest Algorithm and SVM

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**ABSTRACT:** Depending on the type of the date fruit, dates have many features that should help in recognizing and classifying a date. The main features of the date fruit are the color, texture and the shape of date fruit. This article thus analyzes image based date fruit classification and recognition. In this regards, this paper has two contributions, firstly, as there is no standard dataset available, a dataset of 9 date's classes is constructed. This dataset presents an interesting challenge for computer vision algorithms. Secondly, Gabor features and Color Layout features are used. These features are then fused to increase the classification performance. The proposed approach takes into account different types of fruits. The main goal is to come up with a method for classifying these different types of fruits accurately and efficiently. Images are preprocessed in order to separate the fruit in the foreground from the background. Texture features from Gray-level Co-occurrence Matrix (GLCM) and statistical color features are extracted from the segmented image. Two types of features are combined in a single feature descriptor. A Support Vector Machine (SVM) classification model is trained using these feature descriptors extracted from the training dataset. Once trained, the model can be used to predict the category for an unlabeled image from the validation set. The proposed approach also works best for embedded systems and single board computers as it realizes the trade-offs of these devices.

**KEYWORDS:** Age detection , DCNN , State of art

### I. INTRODUCTION

The main objective of this work is to develop an automated system that helps dates fruit agricultural industry to provide a better quality that satisfies consumers and on the other hand, to reduce the potential economic losses. Also, improvements in dates fruit agricultural industry help in providing an appropriate food quantity for people. The proposed system is developed to identify different dates fruit maturity status and classify their categories. The system used the different dates fruit features such as color, size and skin texture. The developed system counts the number of harvested fruits and labels them. Also, dates category is classified by the system by extracting the object's color or comparing the objects sizes. Finally, defects can be identified by detecting the cold areas in thermal images. The results showed that the developed system is helpful and could improve the dates fruit agricultural industry quality. The fruit industry plays a vital role in a country's economic growth. They account for a fraction of the agricultural output produced by a country. It forms a part of the food processing industry. Fruits are a major source of energy, vitamins, minerals, fibre and other nutrients. They contribute to an essential part of our diet. Fruits come in varying shapes, colour and sizes. Some of them are exported, thereby yielding profit to the industry. Fruit sorting and grading are performed before export. This determines the quality of the fruits which is an important factor in the food processing industry. The food industry has widely used machine vision for quality inspection of fruits, vegetable and processed food [1]. The first step in machine vision is image acquisition, followed by image processing and finally, obtaining the required output, which may or may not satisfy the requirements of the user. Computer vision uses the concept of feature detection, a low-level image processing operation. These features are then extracted resulting in a feature vector which identifies a fruit, based on colour, shape, texture and intensity based features. They are then fed to various classifiers to classify them



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accordingly. The various classifiers include Probabilistic Neural Network (PNN), Support Vector Machine (SVM), and Back Propagation Network (BPN), K-Nearest Neighbour (KNN) algorithm, K-Mean classifier, Naive Bayes Classifier, Linear Discriminant classifier and others

## II. RELATED WORK

**Development of an electronic-nose system for fruit maturity and quality monitoring** - Li-Ying Chen ; De-Ming Wong ; Chen-Yu Fang ; Chen-I Chiu ; Ting-I Chou ; Cheng-Chun Wu ; Shih-Wen Chiu ; Kea-Tiong Tang

Potential application of a metal oxide semiconductor based electronic nose (E-Nose) as a non-destructive system for monitoring the change in volatile organic production of fruit during the maturing process. Using PCA analysis, it was possible to distinguish and to classify the different stages. The result showed that this method yielded highest average accuracies greater than 90% in classifying fruit maturity.

**Application of fuzzy logic in recognition of tomato fruit maturity in smart farming** - Joan Baez U. Dimatira ; Elmer P. Dadios ; Francisco Culibrina ; Jo-Ann Magsumbol ; John Dela Cruz ; Kristine Sumage ; Mary Tamar Tan ; Mike Gomez

The tomato crop (*Solanum lycopersicum* L.) is of great importance in the world. It is useful not just for the livelihood it provides for farmers, but also for its health benefits. Tomato is also rich in vitamin C and lycopene. Lycopene can lower the risk of breast and prostate cancer, osteoporosis and it can also cure male infertility. With the help of Smart Farming technology, the production of tomato fruit in season or not is made possible. This study deals more of the appearance of the fruit because it is the most important characteristic because it defines the product's commercialization value. The tomato's good appearance as well as its good quality will only be met if it reaches its maturity. Tomato maturity is closely relevant to its surface color, so evaluating the tomato's level of maturity by visual recognition is a feasible mean

**Fruit maturity estimation based on fuzzy classification**-Rija Hasan ; Syed Muhammad G Monir

In this paper an efficient approach of fruit maturity classification based on apparent color of the specimen is implemented by the aid of fuzzy inference system (FIS). Heuristically acquired hue and its corresponding saturation and lightness are the attributes of choice, which are utilized to classify the sample into three classes; Raw, Ripe, and Overripe. The membership functions and fuzzy rules required by the Mamdani FIS are estimated by the approach of classification tree. The experimentation is performed upon 200 guava samples. The fuzzy system is trained upon 60% of the dataset, yielding 93.4% classification accuracy.

## III. PROPOSED ALGORITHM

The methods include GLCM (Grey Level Co-occurrence Matrix) for texture features, Shape features and Intensity based features. The performance of each feature extraction method is evaluated and compared based on Probabilistic Neural Network (PNN) classifier. Methodology consists of Image Acquisition, where the images of mosambis are captured at random orientation from perpendicular views to get an appropriate silhouette of the object, Image preprocessing, where the original image with dimensions of 640\*480 pixels is resized to one third of its normal size and the RGB image is converted to grayscale, Feature Extraction, where raw images are represented in its reduced form to facilitate decision making process. The GLCM features include Autocorrelation, Contrast, Cluster shade, Entropy, Energy, Sum of entropy, and Sum of squares.



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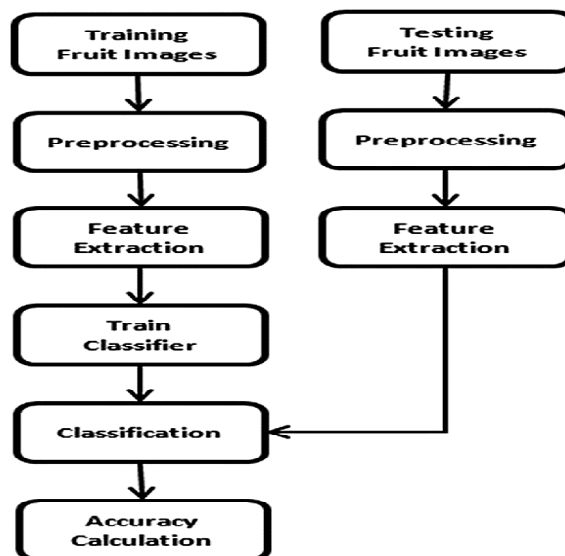
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The methodology or algorithm that involves in this scheme involves the following steps:

1. Fruit Feature Matrix has been declared and initialized to Zero.
2. Hausdroff fractal dimension has been calculated from the filtered image passing through the log Gabor filter. This feature is considered as Texture property of the image.
3. The fruit area has been identified and the mean hue of that area is calculated. This is considered as color Feature.
4. Perimeter and area have been calculated to find Shape attribute..
5. The values of the three attributes have been stored in the Feature Matrix.
6. Steps 2 to 6 have been repeated for all sample fruits.
7. The Fruit Class Matrix has been created.



## Feature Extraction

Proposed method include two features color texture and space features. These features are total 17 in numbers including 13 color features and 4 shape features. Shape features including area, perimeter, circularity and complexity were extracted from the binary segmentation images. Color features and texture features were extracted from the color segmentation images. The former included mean of gray values of R/G/B component, variance of gray values of R/G/B component, skewness of gray values of R/G/B component, color ratio in RGB color model, mean of gray values of H/S/V component, variance of gray values of H/S/V component, and skewness of gray values of H/S/V component. And the later included contrast in RGB color model, correlation in RGB color model, energy in RGB color model, homogeneity in RGB color model, contrast in HSV color model, correlation in HSV color model, energy in HSV color model, homogeneity in HSV color model, and 4×4 binary fractal dimension. The image analysis technique is done using Color Co-occurrence Matrix (CCM). The fungal affected areas vary in color and texture and are dominant in

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classifying fungal symptoms. So, we have considered both color and texture features for recognition and classification purpose. Image texture, defined as a function of the spatial variation in pixel intensities (gray values). The use of color features in the visible light spectrum provided additional image characteristic features over traditional gray-scale representation. CCM is a method in which both color and texture features are taken into account to arrive at unique features which represent that image. The CCM method involved three major steps. First, transformations of an RGB (Red, Green, Blue) color representation of an image to an equivalent HSI (Hue, Saturation, Intensity) color representation. Once this process is completed Color Co-occurrence Matrices from the HSI pixels is generated. Lastly, texture features from the CCM matrices are generated [8 & 9]. Input RGB image is converted to the HSV image. Each pixel map is used to generate a Color Co-occurrence Matrix, resulting in three CCM matrices, one for each of the H, S and I pixel maps. The Color Co-occurrence texture analysis method was developed through the use of spatial gray level dependence matrices (SGDM's). The Gray Level Co-occurrence Method (GLCM) is a statistical way to describe shape by statistically sampling the way certain grey-levels occur in relation to other grey-levels[10]. The GLCM is based on the repeated occurrence of some gray-level configuration in the texture. This method measures occurrence of gray levels between a specific position P (i, j) in the image and a neighboring pixel, according to a given distance d and direction  $\theta$ .

## Support Vector Machine

Support Vector Machine performs classification by constructing an N-dimensional hyper plane that optimally separates the data into different parts. SVM models are closely related to neural networks. SVM evaluates more relevant information in a convenient way. As with any supervised learning model, we first train a support vector machine, and then cross validate the classifier. We used the trained machine to classify (predict) new data.

## IV. RESULTS AND DISCUSSIONS

The overall classification accuracy with the 8 features and their combinations using GLCM on the dataset of different dates class. The first eight rows pertain to the individual features, row 9 to the best two features, row 10 to the best four features, row 11 to the best six features and row 12 to all the features. It is observed that the top four features are sufficient for providing an accuracy of 95.24%.

Original Image



Figure 4.1 is an Original Image obtained from DATES which is an RGB image.



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Gray Scale Image



Fig 4.2 shows an gray scale image. The original RGB image is converted to black and white image (Gray scale image).  $I = \text{rgb2gray}(\text{RGB})$  which converts the color image RGB to grayscale intensity image I by eliminating the hue and saturation information while retaining the luminance. Gray levels represent the interval number of quantization in gray scale image processing. At present, the most commonly used storage method is 8-bit storage. There are 256 gray levels in an 8 bit gray scale image, and the intensity of each pixel can have from 0 to 255, with 0 being black and 255 being white.

High Pass Filter Image



Fig 4.3 shows a High pass filter image. A high-pass filter can be used to make an image appear sharper. These filters emphasize fine details in the image – exactly the opposite of the low-pass filter. High-pass filtering works in exactly the same way as low-pass filtering; it just uses a different convolution kernel. In the example below, notice the minus signs for the adjacent pixels. If there is no change in intensity, nothing happens. But if one pixel is brighter than its immediate neighbors, it gets boosted.

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Enhanced Image



Fig 4.4 shows a Enhanced image. Image enhancement is the process of adjusting digital images so that the results are more suitable for display or further image analysis.

Level 1 Morphological operator



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Morphological image processing is a collection of non-linear operations related to the shape or morphology of features in an image. Morphology is a broad set of image processing operations that process images based on shapes. Morphological operations apply a structuring element to an input image, creating an output image of the same size. In a morphological operation, the value of each pixel in the output image is based on a comparison of the corresponding pixel in the input image with its neighbors. By choosing the size and shape of the neighborhood, you can construct a morphological operation that is sensitive to specific shapes in the input image.

The most basic morphological operations are dilation and erosion. Dilation adds pixels to the boundaries of objects in an image, while erosion removes pixels on object boundaries. The number of pixels added or removed from the objects in an image depends on the size and shape of the structuring element used to process the image. In the morphological dilation and erosion operations, the state of any given pixel in the output image is determined by applying a rule to the corresponding pixel and its neighbors in the input image. The rule used to process the pixels defines the operation as a dilation or an erosion. This table lists the rules for both dilation and erosion.

### Threshold Algorithm

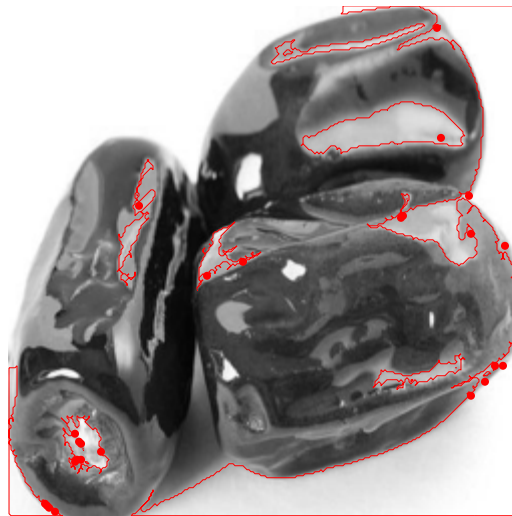


Image thresholding is a simple, yet effective, way of partitioning an image into a foreground and background. This image analysis technique is a type of image segmentation that isolates objects by converting grayscale images into binary images. Image thresholding is most effective in images with high levels of contrast.

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## Clustering Algorithm Detection



Clustering can be considered the most important unsupervised learning problem; so, as every other problem of this kind, it deals with finding a structure in a collection of unlabeled data

## V. CONCLUSION AND FUTURE WORK

A system for automatically classifying animal footprints by first classifying them by means of the connected components algorithm, and then using morphological features to further classify them into a correct species of animal was created. 3 Distance formulas and a combination of all three formulas were used to make classifications. The algorithm boasted a 97% final accuracy rate and a perfect 100% accuracy rate for initial classification. The age of the animal is also predicted.

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