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Bank Cheque Signature Verification System using Artificial Intelligence

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Abstract: *Our signature confirmation system creates an archive of dynamically accessible signatures and policy requirements for the cleaning process. This solution supports account identification, signature marking, authentication scanning, and signature picture cropping. It also sustains complex logic explanations for various size scales and signatory classes. This clarification allows you to provide automated confirmation of these rules based on the measure and signature submitted on the verification/order form. This guarantees process agreement and decreases the opportunity of clearing various payment instructions. In this way, you can clearly define rules for financial and non-financial transactions in the system. Signature is a necessary biometric attribute for anyone who has been using it for a prolonged period of time for authentication. Most groups concentrate fundamentally on the idea of the signature for validation objectives. Many documents such as forms, contracts, bank cheques, and credit card transactions require signatures. Therefore, it is crucial to be able to identify the signature correctly, easily, and on time. This work uses an artificial neural network based on a well-known backpropagation algorithm for recognizing and verifying. To test system performance, false reject rate, false-positive frequency, and EER (equal error rate) is determined. The objective of this task is to limit the inherent properties of the computer to assure that the signature is invalid or not and add a label designating the size of the signature so that the employee verifying the signature can compete in the decision-making process. Comparisons between the original and the signature you want to verify. This process permits you to estimate the accuracy of the signature and achieve a more productive result.*

Keywords: *Artificial neural network, back propagation algorithm, authentication.*

I. INTRODUCTION

Signature is a regularly accepted and acknowledged method of authentication that is used even before computer use [1]. It's more manageable because we don't need a physical hardware to get our fingerprints. Signature takes the benefit of conventional biometric methods like identifications, PIN, and ID cards which can be withdrawn, missing or one may misremember. Handwritten signs are used for almost any certificate that requires to be confirmed. This dispute rate is low. Bank cheque scam is in the advance, numerous modern strategies emerge, followed by the scam. The cheque is coated with a particular fluid to separate numbers and record gigantic quantities, switch signatures, and include duplicate signs. There are various techniques to describe cheque scam. A signature confirmation model is crucial to prevent this illegal activity. The Central Bank of India has introduced a cheque abbreviating system to alleviate the above problem [2]. It is not simple to test signatures such as text signatures. Validating the signature of a bank cheque is a difficult task in image processing. The text signature has a definite appearance and can be undoubtedly recognized. Because signatures are behavioral biometrics, they depend on the signer's state, environmental circumstances, and mindset. No one can always sign correspondingly. There may be little perception variations that occur between different images of one class. These modifications should be overlooked during validation. The images that have different class labels check and classify signatures as authentic or artificial. Handwritten signatures can be validated using an online or offline System. Signatures can be designated online using electronic equipment such as a laptop or a pen connected to a workstation. You can make the confirmation method more comfortable and more precise by apprehending dynamic features such as writing speed, the number of times the pen is lifted, and the time it takes to sign. Offline signatures only have one digital signature from which you can extract the features you need. Since this article is about signing bank checks, an offline signature checking method is preferred. A Suspicious signature is called a fake signature.

- 1) Random: these signatures are not based on any Knowledge of the original signature
- 2) Simple: these signatures are based on an assumption of how the signature looks like by knowing the name of the signer
- 3) Skilled: an imitation of the original signature, which means that the person knows exactly how the original Signature looks like [3].

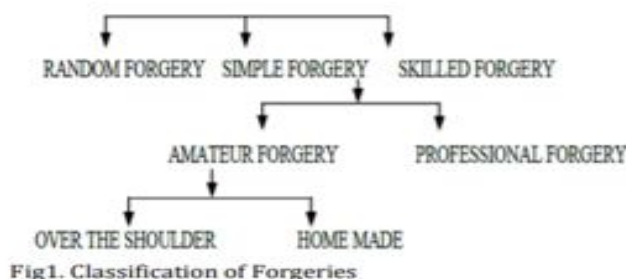


Fig.1 Classification of Forgeries

II. LITERATURE REVIEW

Conventional bank cheques, bank loans, credit cards, and various legal records are a necessary component of the new economy. It is one of the common important ways for people and organizations to give funds and clear their bills. Still, all these activities, prominently economic transactions, inquire signature attestation. An unavoidable outcome of signing is that it can be prepared to mimic the authenticity of a certificate. Consequently, the need for analysis into effective automatic solutions for signature identification and verification to deter vulnerability to scam has recently increased [4]. Signature verification with a new neural network-based method that authorizes users to identify whether a signature is legitimate or wrong. The user enters the scanned picture into a computer, uses image enhancement and noise reduction procedures to change the quality, then extricates neural network features and training, and finally validates the signature [5]. It is a self-sufficient signature verification and identification system based on a mixture of deduced functions such as global functions, mask functions, and grid objects. The system is equipped using a signature database. For each person, the median function vector is obtained from the set of valid examples along with the selected function. The central signature is then used as a template used to test the alleged signature. To convincingly estimate the similarity between the template signature and the certified signature, we use the Euclidean distance in function space. Results were promising and 70-80% were achieved using local thresholds [6]. Feature extraction is an important validation process for offline signatures. This involves comparing the performance of two function removal methods, MDF (modified directional object) and gradient object, based on a related experimental setup. It also examines and describes the performance of the Support Vector Machine (SVM) and the Mahalanobi square divider with gradient function. Laboratory results have shown that we can deliver an average error rate of 15.03% using the slope function and SVM without using simulation for training [7]. This method is based on the signature limit and explains the potential to improve the automated signature verification process. The primary global attribute comes from the total "energy" the author uses to generate the signature. The secondary feature pays special attention to the relationship between the distance between the key hits in the image and the height/width of the signature, using the vertical and horizontal projection data of the signature. The aggregate of these features and the modified address function (MDF) and relationship functions have shown assuring results in solving offline signature authentication problems. When training with 12 valid samples and 400 random merges in a public database, the SVM distributor received an average error rate (AER) of 17.25%. The false acceptance rate (FAR) for unintended falsehood also remained at 0.08% [8]. Alan McCabe et al. Introducing how to confirm handwritten signatures with ANN architecture. Various static (height, slope, etc.) and dynamic (e.g. speed, maximum weight, etc.) are extracted and used for NN training. Examine several network topologies and examine their efficiency. The resulting method works very well by an overall error rate of 3.3% at most reliable [9].

III. BASIC OPERATIONS

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- 1) *Data Acquisition:* Data acquisition involves broadcasting data to the system. In this system, data is presented to the system in the form of a scanned photograph. The signature is scanned and preserved as a digital image.
- 2) *Pre-processing:* Data pre-processing takes care of all types of processing executed on raw data to qualify for other procedures. There are 4 steps involved in this operation.
 - a) *Image Conversion:* The primary step is to transform the resulting RGB image into a grayscale image. This is done to lessen the complexity and reduce the time to realize the system. This system can efficiently handle grayscale images.
 - b) *Cropping Image:* A cropping algorithm is implemented on grayscale images. Cropping is performed to separate the required product from the entire image. This eliminates unwanted pixels of the image, decreasing processing time.

- c) *Image Filtering*: After cropping the image, you require to exclude noise or extra sources that befall while scanning. To do this, a Gaussian filter is employed along with an opaque filter. The Gaussian filter issues the image by extricating the noise, while the blurring filter excludes the blur produced by the Gaussian filter.
- d) *Threshold*: The filtered image is thresholded in binary. Ultimately, we utilize the edge sensor to obtain the signature border from this binary image.

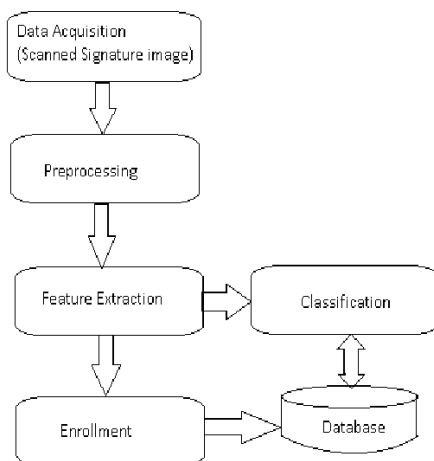


Fig.2 Basic Signature Verification System [10].

- 3) *Feature Extraction*: In pattern recognition and image processing, feature extraction is a unique kind of dimension modification. If the input to the algorithm is colossal to process and is considered excessive, the input is transformed into a meagerer set of expression functions. Changing input data into a set of functions is called function extraction. The chief function of this step is to design a function that can be adopted as a relative measure. Since the subject of signature verification is a sensitive process, you need to generate more than one function to enhance the efficiency of the results.
- 4) *Analysis of Image Classification*: It examines the mathematical aspects of several image purposes and forms the data into divisions. Distribution algorithms typically use two processing steps, training, and testing, as shown by the signature confirmation model. In the initial steps of training, the characteristics of the image are presented, and based on this, individual information for each classification category is represented. Training class. In consequent testing steps, these operative space sections are used to analyze image characteristics.

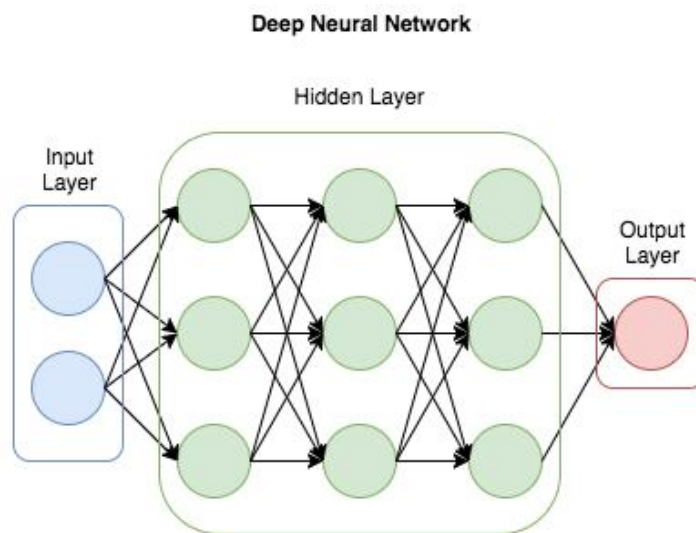


Fig.3 Neural Network

- 5) *Use a Neural Network to Validate the Signature:* Neural networks have a collection of outputs. There are numerous tiers of artificial neurons within the input and output. This nerve cell accepts input, and the strength inside the nerve cell decides whether it fires or not. It is then transferred to the subsequent warehouse that does the same. The more complicated the problem, the more layers, and artificial nerve cells may be required. All of this works as a transformation matrix in multiple layers. If you neglect the training data, the system correlates the results to the required. Then use feedback to improve the weighted trigger level for some neurons. Then use a separate section of data and try to improve it. I'll keep arranging this by looping through the data loop and modifying the trigger level, so I'll get closer to a repeatable model.

A. BP basic Algorithm

- 1) Step-1 Initialize weights
- 2) Step-2 repeat
- 3) Step-3 for each training pattern
- 4) Step-4 train on that pattern
- 5) Step-5 end for loop
- 6) Step- 6 until the error is acceptably low

$$\tilde{y}(x) = \sum_{i=1}^m \underbrace{\omega_i}_{\text{weights}} \underbrace{h_i(x)}_{\text{hidden units}}$$

Fig. Radial Basis Function as an Activation function for ANN

Where Φ is the activation function

IV. CONCLUSIONS

The proposed system concentrates on a method that validates the signature of a bank cheque using an artificial neural network. Signatures are validated based on parameters derived from the signature using several image processing procedures. This proposal system permits signature verification. It will help you find the specific person and will give you the more detailed information in the signature authentication for the above implementation. This article uses a neural network to recognize and verify an individual's signature.

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