

Plant Identification using New Geometric Features with Standard Data Mining Methods

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ABSTRACT: Plant identification belongs to a specific application domain of data mining. Images of plant leaves are usually used as the main element to distinguish a plant from another. For proper identification, feature extraction is necessary. In the literature, most plant recognition systems use the features along with a classification method, which has been adapted or modified to face this type of application. Image segmentation is the key component of identifying plant leaf diseases. Most of the available techniques for leaf disease segmentation use gray scale value. In addition, the system deals with desert-specific challenges, such as, dust, infertile sandy soil, constant wind, very low humidity, and the extreme variations in diurnal and seasonal temperatures.

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I. INTRODUCTION

Plant identification is very important in areas such as medicine, botany and food sector. It is also important and interesting for ecologists, herbal doctors and general public. However, accurate plant recognition is a task that requires some botanical expertise. The development of plant recognition methods is an active research area in last years. Most of plant identification methods use leaf due to its attractive properties, for example, leaf shape vary between different species, and leaves can be collected throughout the year. Typically, some features are extracted from images of leaves, and then data mining methods are applied to recognize plants we introduce three new geometric features for plant identification. These capture the vertical and horizontal symmetry of leaf. In order to test the effectiveness of the proposal, we did the following experiment.

Features are as follows: Area convexity, Perimeter convexity, Circularity, Aspect ratio and Null area. Then, we added the three proposed features and measured the performance of the same classification methods. We found that the performance of classifiers is improved dramatically. Throughout the ages, earth exposes many pollution factors such as chemicals in water and soil, air pollution, sun exposure and plants. Human neglects the importance of preserving the environmental leading to the increase of the pollution over years. They are utilizing the resources without thinking how the earth will be like in the future. Moreover, the plants are very important and it's complete the life cycle of the earth. People are consuming the plants for foods, oxygen's and other needs.

Early detection of plant diseases plays a very important role in the field of agriculture, especially for agricultural country like India. Detection of plant diseases till date is mainly by observation through naked eye, which leaves room for error. Detection of plant diseases are automated in certain parts of the world. For automatic detection of plant diseases, segmentation of the disease spot is very essential. At present, there are several methods available for the segmentation purpose. Some common methods for segmentation are threshold based methods, boundary based methods, region based methods, morphology based methods etc.

The desert weather is hot, humid, and dusty in the summer and cold with occasional rain in winter. The desert climate has unique agricultural characteristics.

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II. RELATED WORK

The extraction of features from leaf is one of the important steps in plant identification. Therefore, many researchers have proposed features that intent to capture the main characteristics of leaves. In authors propose three features which are invariant to scale, these are the following: aspect ratio, radius ratio and slice ratio. Authors tested the usefulness of their features with only one classification method, support vector machine. In the author designed and implemented their system to to control the performance using Short Message Service (SMS) of cell phones. Meaning that the motors performances depend on turning ON/Off remotely using mobile phone from any brand and also by sends message when it started or done its performance. This Project has been implemented in India and deal with it weather condition. The motors will turn off as soon as the farmers get an alarm about the single phasing. They used a GSM with a digital mobile telephone system and basically what it does is compresses data and then sends it down channels with two others stream user's data.

In most of the methods gray channel information of the image is used for segmentation purpose. Most of the techniques used for segmentation of gray level images can be extended for coloured images. It must be noted that the performance of coloured image segmentation largely depends on the colour space chosen. The selection of a particular colour space for the segmentation technique solely depends on the specific application. In the past few decades, agricultural applications using image processing and pattern recognition techniques have been attempted by various researchers. Different researchers have used different tools and techniques to identify plant diseases suitable for the application. The most common tools that are used for the detection, classification and quantification of plant diseases are thresholding, colour analysis [4], support vector machines [5], region growing [6], fuzzy logic [7] etc. In this paper, region growing algorithm based on automatic seed selection has been implemented for coloured images. The method was proposed by Frank Y. Shih and Shouxian Cheng [8] to segment colour images using seeded region growing technique.

- Availability: The system operates successfully at any point of time. It is requested in Kuwaits' gardens, or farms. Also, anyone can check the state of the farm remotely.
- Reliability: The user is able to access the measurement and see the values of the sensors. The system allows manual control.
- Maintainability: AgriSys can be easily upgrade by adding components with improved features
- Easy to use: The system is easy to use by people from all different age, system doesn't require previous knowledge to use.

III. SYSTEM ARCHITECTURE

We provide the guideline to the farmer for selecting the crop cultivation as per the weather present in that area. In that we guide to farmer for selecting crop cultivation as considering the weather also provide the list of the crops area wise requested from farmer. Once the farmer selects the crop for the cultivation then he does the booking for that particular seed and then when he purchase seed from the supplier then we provide guidelines for that particular crop by notification through sms.

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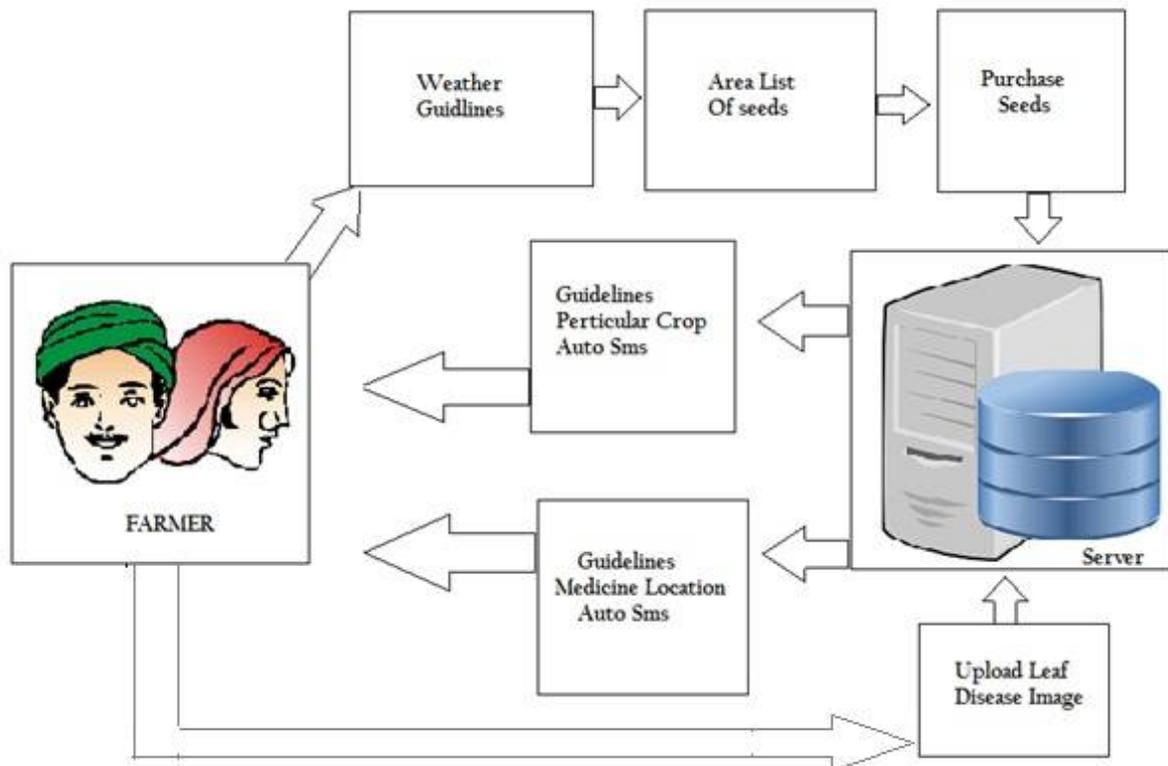


Fig.1. System Architecture

If some diseases occur on that crop then farmer simply capture the photo of the affected part and upload to our server then we provide the guidelines related to disease which has occurred on plant and also provide solution for that disease with the location of pesticides supplier. We also provide area wise market price for that particular product.

IV. METHODOLOGY

The general process for plant identification consists of the following steps:

- 1) **Pre-processing:** Which includes Scaling, Normalization and Segmentation of images.
- 2) **Feature extraction:** Consists of obtaining geometric, contour or any other type of features from images of leaves.
- 3) **Classification:** Application of data mining methods sometimes adapted to this particular application to identify new leaves.

It is interesting to notice that the source code of the adaptations of classic classification methods for this application is not always publicly available. For this reason, it is important to develop new methods that allow applying directly data mining methods in this specific domain problem.

In the following subsections, we explain the general process to apply current classification methods for plant identification. A. Pre-processing and feature extraction The process for extracting the features from leaves requires that all images have the same size. However, most of leaf databases available on the Internet contain images with different dimensions. Therefore, we scale the images to a size of 1000_600 pixels. In order to extract useful features from a color

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image of a leaf, it is necessary to transform it into a high quality binary image. Normalization and segmentation are usually used to this purpose.

Image normalization: Used to have a certain independence of the properties of the image, such as brightness and contrast. This requires calculating the larger and smaller pixel values, $\max(I)$ and $\min(I)$, respectively. We use following equation to normalize the image:

$$N(x; y) = 255(I(x; y) \square \min(I))$$

Leaf segmentation: We use a spatial threshold method to obtain a binary image of leaves. The threshold $T(x; y)$ is calculated at each pixel, it depends on the probability distribution and/or correlation between pixels. The equation is used for this purpose.

Feature extraction : Feature extraction is one of the most important phases in plant recognition. There exist several well-known features for plant recognition.

V. EXPERIMENTAL RESULTS

In order to evaluate the proposed features, we use the images of leaves from the dataset [13], available at <http://www.isy.liu.se/cvl/ImageDB/public/blad/>. The dataset contains 75 images of each leaf from 15 tree classes. The following eight features were extracted from the fifteen classes of leaves: Area convexity leaf , Perimeter convexity leaf , Circularity leaf , Aspect ratio leaf , null Area. Also, the three proposed features were extracted from the Images. We tested the following seven classification methods: Decision tree C4.5, Random forest, Multilayer perception (MLP), Logistic regression, K-nearest neighbor classifier, Naive Bayes and Support Vector Machine (SVM). Decision trees are classifiers whose structure resembles a Flowchart. A classifier of this type is induced by partitioning the input space recursively, up to a level of purity of each partition is satisfied. C4.5 is an example of this type of classifiers. Random forest is an ensemble of decision trees. The output of such ensemble is the mode of prediction of its individual members. MLP is a method inspired on the human brain.

VI. CONCLUSION

The development of methods for plant recognition is an active research area in last years. Recently, many researchers have proposed features to characterize leaf of plants, and use these features with classification methods to design plant recognition systems. However, most of such systems need to adapt such methods to make them suitable for this specific type of application. A drawback of this approach is that the source codes are not always available.

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