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Moving Object Detection in Video Surveillance System

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Abstract— The analysis of human body motion is an important method in which computer vision combines with bio-mechanics. This method is widely used in motion detection, motion analysis, intelligent control and many other fields. In the analysis of human body motion; the moving human body detection is important part. The moving human body is detected from the background image in video sequences. Here the new method for the moving object detection based on background subtraction is defined by establishing a reliable background updating model which uses a dynamic optimization threshold method to obtain a more complete moving object. After getting moving object to remove the noise morphological filtering is done. The noise is in form of disturbances which present in the background. For removing the effect of shadow contour projection analysis is combined with the shape analysis, so that moving human body detection is done more accurately and reliably. The Background Subtraction method is accurate, faster and fits in detecting real time environment.

Index Terms—a moving object detection, Background subtraction, Background model.

I. INTRODUCTION

There are three types of methods mainly used in moving object detection. These methods are the frame subtraction method, the background subtraction method and the optical flow method [1]. In the Frame subtraction method [2] the difference between two consecutive images is taken to determine the presence of moving objects. The calculation in this method is very simple and easy to develop. But in this method it is difficult to obtain a complete outline of moving object; therefore the detection of moving object is not accurate. In the Optical flow method [1], calculation of the image optical flow field is done. The clustering processing is done according to the optical flow distribution characteristics of image. From this, the complete movement information of moving body is found and it detects the moving object from the background. But there are many disadvantages of this method such as sensitivity to noise, large quantity of calculation, poor anti-noise performance makes it unsuitable for real-time applications. The background subtraction method [2] is the method in which the difference between the current image and background image is taken for the detection moving objects by using simple algorithm. But it is very sensitive to the changes which occur in the external environment and it also has poor anti interference ability. One advantage of this method is, it can provide the most complete object information in the case of the background is known [3]. In the background subtraction method, in a single static camera condition, the dynamic background modeling is combined with dynamic threshold selection method which depends on the background subtraction. The background is updated on the basis of accurate detection of object.

II. FRAME SEPARATION

Frame processing [4] is the first step in the background subtraction algorithm, the purpose of this step is to prepare the modified video frames by removing noise and unwanted objects in the frame in order to increase the amount of information gained from the frame.

Preprocessing of a image is a process of collecting simple image processing tasks that change the raw input video info into a format. This can be processed by subsequent steps. Preprocessing of the video is necessary to improve the detection of moving object's, For example; by spatial and temporal smoothing, snow as moving leaves on a tree, can be removed by morphological processing of the frames after the identification of the moving object.



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III. MOVING OBJECT DETECTION

Background subtraction is particularly a commonly used technique for motion segmentation in static scenes [2]. It attempts to detect moving regions by subtracting the current image pixel-by-pixel from a reference background image that is created by averaging images over time in an initialization period. The pixels are classified as foreground where the difference is above a threshold. After creating a foreground pixel map, some morphological post processing operations such as erosion, dilation and closing are performed to reduce the effects of noise and enhance the detected regions. The reference background is updated with new images over time to adapt to dynamic scene changes.

There are different approaches to the basic scheme of background subtraction in terms of foreground region detection, background maintenance and post processing. In [5] Heikkila and Silven uses the simple version of this scheme where a pixel at location (x, y) in the current image, it is marked as foreground if is satisfied.

$$|I_t(x, y) - B_t(x, y)| > \tau \quad (2.1)$$

Where, τ is a predefined threshold. The background image B_t is up- dated by the use of an Infinite Impulse Response (IIR) filter as follows:

$$B_{t+1} = \alpha I_t + (1 - \alpha) B_t \quad (2.2)$$

The foreground pixel map creation is followed by morphological closing and the elimination of small-sized regions. Although background subtraction techniques perform well at extracting most of the relevant pixels of moving regions even they stop, they are usually sensitive to dynamic changes when, for instance, stationary objects uncover the back- ground (e.g. a parked car moves out of the parking lot) or sudden illumination changes occur.

A. Background Modeling

In the background modeling process [6], the reference background image and some parameters associated with normalization are computed over a number of static background frames. The background is modeled statistically on a pixel by pixel basis. A pixel is modeled by a 4-finite sequence of pixels $\langle E_i; s_i; a_i; b_i \rangle$ where E_i is the expected color value, s_i is the standard deviation of color value which is defined in a_i is the variation of the brightness distortion, and b_i is the variation of the chromaticity distortion of the i th pixel. The expected color value [6] of pixel i is given by

$$E_i = [\mu_R(i), \mu_G(i), \mu_B(i)] \quad (3)$$

Where $\mu_R(i)$, $\mu_G(i)$ and $\mu_B(i)$ are the arithmetic means of the i th pixel's red, green and blue values computed over N background frames. So far, we have defined E_i and s_i .

B. Background Update

For accurately extracting the moving object the background needs to be updated in real time and the background model can better adapt to light changes. In the proposed method, the update algorithm is as follows: In the moving object detection, the pixels judged as belonging to the moving object maintain the original background gray values, not be updated. We update the background model according to following rule for the pixels which are judged to be the background [3]

$$B_{k+1}(x,y) = \beta B_k(x,y) + (1-\beta) F_k(x,y) \quad (4)$$

Where $B(x,y)$ is background image, $F_k(x,y)$ is current image and $F_3 E (0,1)$ is update coefficient, in this paper $f_3 = 0.004$. $F_k(x,y)$ is the pixel gray value in the current frame. $B_k(x,y)$ and $B_{k+1}(x,y)$ are respectively the Background value of the current frame and the next frame. As the camera is fixed, the background model can remain relatively stable at one position for very long period of time. Using this method we can avoid the unexpected phenomenon of the Background, such as the sudden appearance of something in the background which is not included in the



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original background. Moreover, the impact brought by light, weather and other changes in the external environment can be effectively adapted by the updating of pixel gray value of the background.

C. Moving Object Extraction

When the background image B(x, y) is obtained, subtract the background Image B(x,y) from the current frame Fk(x, y). Set threshold as T. If the pixel difference is greater than threshold T, then determines that the pixels appear in the moving object, otherwise, as the background pixels. The moving object can be detected after threshold operation [3]. Its expression is as follows:

Dk(x, y) = { 1 |Fk(x,y) - Bk-1(x,y)| > T, 0 others } (5)

Where, Dk(x, y) is the binary image of differential results. T is gray-scale threshold. Its size determines the accuracy of object identification.

As in the algorithm T is a fixed value, only for an ideal situation, is not suitable for complex environment with lighting changes. Therefore, this paper proposes the dynamic threshold method, we dynamically changes the threshold value according to the lighting changes of the two images obtained. On this basis, add a dynamic threshold T to the above algorithm. Its mathematical expression is as follows [3].

Delta T = lambda * 1 / (M * N) * sum(i=0 to M-1) sum(j=0 to N-1) |F(i,j) - B(i,j)|

Then Dk(x, y) = { 1 |Fk(x, y) - Bk-1(x, y)| > T + Delta T, 0 others } (6)

Where, lambda is the inhibitory coefficient. According to the requirements of practical applications set the value of the lambda, and the reference values is 2. M x N is the size of each image to deal with. M x N numerical results indicate the number of pixels in detection of motion region. T shows the overall changes in the environment. If small changes in image illumination, dynamic threshold T takes a very small value. Under the premise of enough pixels in the detection region, T will tend to 0. If the image illumination changes significantly, then the dynamic threshold T will increase significantly. This method can effectively suppress the impact of light changes.

D. Extraction of Moving Human Body

Some accurate edge regions are got after doing the median filtering and morphological operations. But the moving human body regions could not be determined. By observation, we can find out that when moving object appears, shadow will appear in some regions of the scene. The presence of shadow it is difficult to extract the moving object accurately. By analyzing the characteristics of motion detection, we combine the projection operator with the previous methods [6]. Based on the results of the methods above, adopting the method of combining vertical with horizontal projection to detect the height of the motion region. This can remove the impact of the shadow to a certain degree. Then we analyze the vertical projection value and set the threshold value (determined by experience) to remove the pseudo-local maximum value and the pseudo-local minimum value of the vertical projection [7] to determine the number and width of the body in the motion region, we will get the moving human body with precise edge. We are assuming that people in the scene are all in upright-walking state. The Flowchart for Moving Object Detection is as Follows:

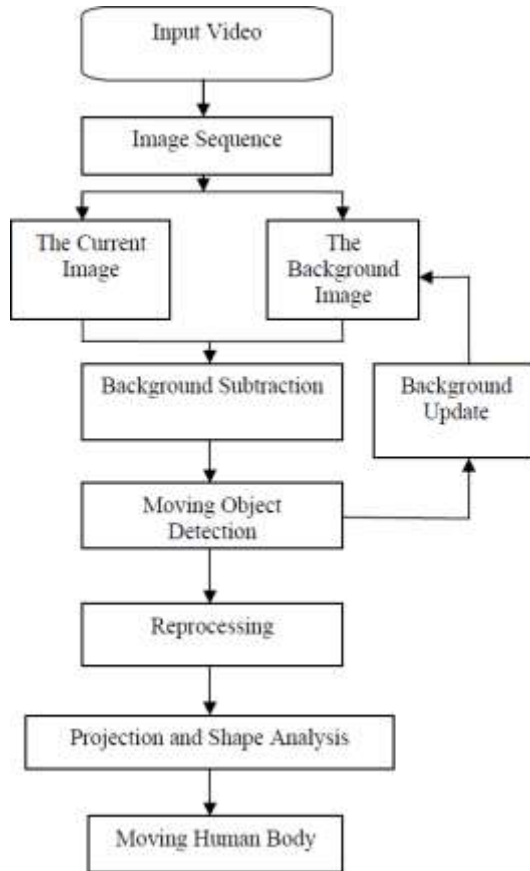
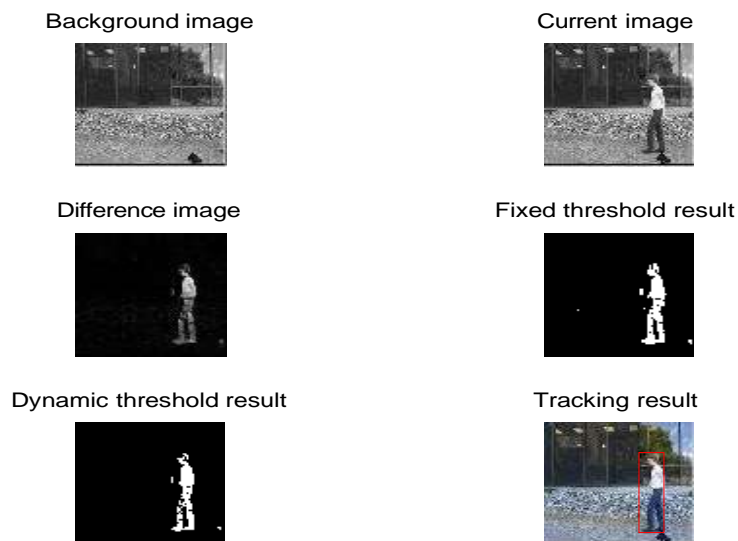


Fig 1: The Flowchart of moving human Body Extraction

IV. RESULTS





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