



IDENTIFYING MICROANEURYSMS IN RETINAL IMAGES USING FUZZY C-MEANS CLUSTERING

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ABSTRACT

The identification of MAs is an important phase in the research and grading of suffering from diabetes retinopathy. Analysis of online cross-section profiles in accordance with the regional highest possible pixels of the preprocessed image in microaneurysm identification in retinal pictures. The statistical measures of these features principles as the alignment of the cross-section changes represent the function set that is used in a naïve Bayes category to remove unwarranted applicants. In this document we present clustering strategy to identify the microaneurysms from the optic disk and cup in the retinal fundus pictures. Fuzzy C-Means (FCM) Clustering is used for clustering the information in which the information factors are grouped with different account level. The first and major phase is preprocessing function, in which the optic cup and hard drive of the feedback picture is being turned. Originally the optic hard drive is turned in some position and the range between the information factors is calculated and a group is established in accordance with the centroid. The centroid and information factor along with the group can be recognized in each phase then the typical set of factors is grouped together. This procedure carries on until no more centroid is discovered. The group with more information factors that do not coordinate with the unique picture is regarded as the retinal picture with microaneurysm illness. The experimental outcomes determines efficient and precise discovering microaneurysms in retinal pictures with great possibilities in picture pixel spinning.

Index terms: fuzzy C means clustering, spatial information, fundus image, biomedical image processing, image classification, pattern recognition, medical decision-making.

INTRODUCTION

The therapy of suffering from diabetes macular edema (DME) has evolved over time with medical and medical treatments increasingly being regarded and applied, moreover to traditional retinal laser device photocoagulation. Diabetic retinopathy (DR) is one of the problems of diabetes that produces in most of the sufferers with longstanding illness, and the top cause of loss of sight in the developed countries. Efficient therapies for DR are available, though it needs beginning analysis and the continuous monitoring of diabetics. Appropriate DR is conducted by the evaluation of retinal (fundus) pictures. Guide rating of these images to figure out the degree of DR is rather slowly and resource demanding [1]. The existence of microaneurysms (MAs) on the retina is the first and most attribute indication of this illness. The problem of computerized retinal MA identification, and recommend a means for this procedure, which became extremely aggressive with most of the state-of-the-art ones, based on the outcomes of an start online competitors. The identification of MAs is important in the procedure of DR rating, since it types the reasons for determining whether an picture of a patient's eye should be regarded healthier or not. Therefore, it is not amazing that the literary works on the factors of creating a computer assisted analytic (CAD) system for the identification of DR and other eye relevant illnesses is rather comprehensive, and the research of retinal pictures is a very stunning area for the electronic picture handling community.

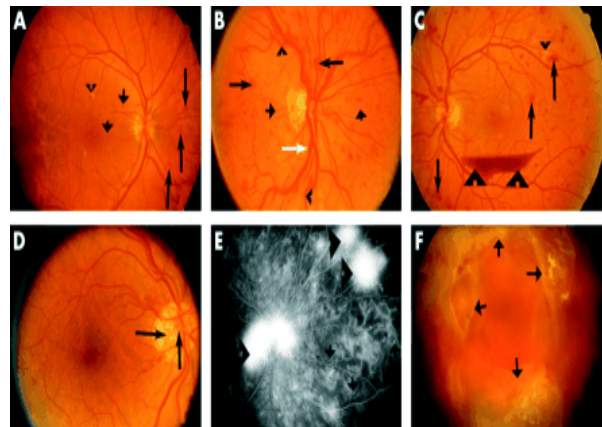


Figure-1. Colour fundus photography (CFP) and fluorescein fundus angiography (FFA) showing different features of diabetic retinopathy (DR). (A) An eye with mild non-proliferative diabetic retinopathy (NPDR) presented with microaneurysms (short arrows), hemorrhages (long arrows), as well as hard and soft exudates (arrowhead). (B) An eye with severe NPDR showing a greater number of microaneurysms (short arrows), hemorrhages (long arrows), and also venous abnormalities such as venous dilatation (white arrow) and tortuosity (arrowheads). (C) and (D) Eyes with high risk proliferative diabetic retinopathy (PDR).

MAs have a medically recognized maximum size, usually considered to be less than the size of the significant optic blood stream vessels [2]. Crossings of



slim blood stream vessels may result in little round spots that are regionally just like MAs, both in style. Vessel segments may be turned off from the general shrub, and appear as little, black things of various forms. Almost every state-of-the-art technique views some type of image preprocessing phase, which usually includes disturbance decrease, filtering or colour modification. Retinal pictures have the largest comparison in the natural channel; accordingly it is a common practice to use the natural route for segmentation reasons. For noise decrease, convolution with Gaussian covers and median filtering are commonly used techniques. The number of pixels to be prepared is considerably decreased by only considering the local maxima of the preprocessed picture. We implement optimum recognition on each information, and determine a set of principles that explain the size, size, and form of the main optimum. The fundus picture features are produced with the success as 99, 94 and 100% for hard drive localization, hard drive border recognition and fovea localization re-spectively. These designs can be enhanced in bigger databases and also used for medical reasons. The area growing segmentation technique gives the good segmentation result in order to specify the area with appropriate factors. It takes too lots of your energy and effort to complete the clustering process, so it is expensive. The region splitting and consolidating technique will divided the pictures until the appropriate quality is achieved [3]. It is not suitable for more variety of pictures prepared simultaneously. Watershed is the edge based picture segmentation technique provides a huge variety of segmented pictures with high reliability which also experiences in over segmentation. Unclear C indicates (FCM) is a details clustering technique in which a details set is arranged into 'n' groups with every details point in the dataset which belongs to every group to a certain degree. A conventional FCM criteria does not incorporate the spatial details which makes it delicate to disturbance and other picture relics whereas Spatial Unclear C means clustering criteria features the spatial information into the account function for clustering. The Customized Spatial Unclear C-Means clustering method is used to identify glaucoma which is existing in the retina with various spatial harmonizes.

The remainder of this paper organized as follows: Section I presents basic introduction and overview of the Diabetic Retinopathy in retinal images. Section II presents basic related approaches to solve microanyrism in retinal images. Section III presents proposed algorithm for histogram analysis of the microanyrism in retinal images. Section IV presents Performance evaluation proposed approach with diabetic retinal images. Section V presents comparison analysis of Rotating Cross-Section Profile Analysis and Fuzzy C-Means clustering algorithm. Section VI presents conclusion and further enhancement of developed approach.

PROPOSED APPROACH

The picture is obtained from the picture resources. This obtained picture will be turned into gray

scale picture to be able to execute the picture research in more efficient way. The unclear factors are set centered on various requirements such as variety of groups, variety of iteration and picture sizing [4]. The sizing of the input image is examined because the Customized Spatial Fuzzy CMeans clustering is applied on 2D or 3D images.

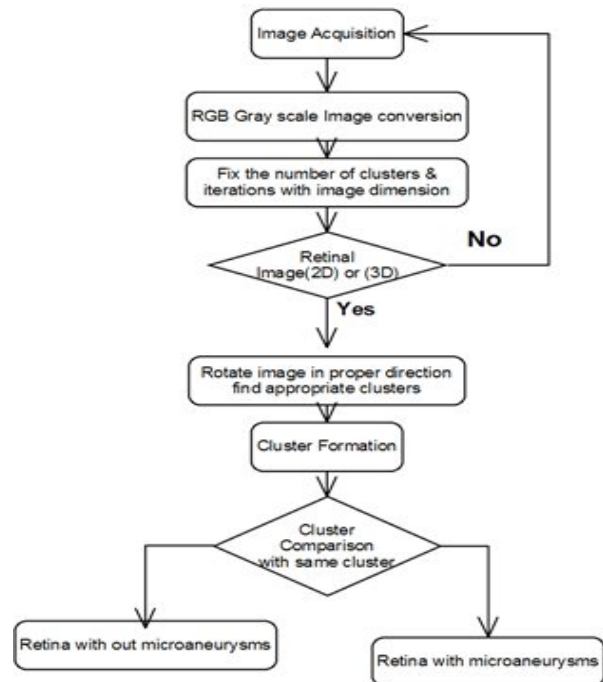


Figure-2. Proposed approach operations using Fuzzy c-means clustering.

The input picture is turned in various perspectives to recognize the perfect centroid over various information places. The benefits of spatial spinning are to discover out the likeness actions for detecting microaneurysms in the retina pictures. The unclear factors such as account operate; objective function and centroid are used to discover a group in an efficient way to get the great clustering amount. The distance of the information places are recognized depending on the fuzzy factors i.e., the range evaluate over the data factors are measured. The groups are formed based on the spatial unclear factors and also compared with regular cup with same position of spinning. If two group information over spatial unclear are same then the eye is not suffering from the microaneurysms otherwise the eye is affected by the microaneurysms.

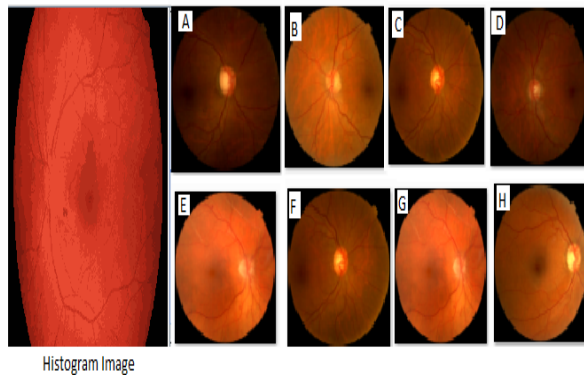


Figure-3. A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H Original Retinal images, using these retinal images generate average histogram image.

The histogram of the feedback pictures are evaluated based on various shifts. There are various groups established with several perspectives of spinning. If there is an incident of an angle distinction then the range from the centroid also differs, so the histogram provides the finish research of spatial factors.

IMPLEMENTATION PROCEDURE OF RCSPA

The primary feedback of the suggested technique is the upside down green channel of a fundus picture, since this way MAs, hemorrhages, and the vasculature will appear as shiny components, i.e., local intensity highest possible areas. We need the input pictures to have such spatial quality that the dimension of their ROI is similar to 540 p, since this was the tiniest ROI diameter we came across in the openly available fundus image sets. Normally, it is possible to implement the suggested technique on images of different dimension, though in this situation other parameters of the suggested technique have to be changed accordingly, and the more picture information outcomes in a longer period performance time. We used bilinear interpolation in our performance to determine the intensity values of the rescaled pictures.

MAs are local strength highest possible components on the preprocessed retinal picture, usually with a Gaussian like strength submission. This indicates that every MA area contains at least one local highest possible also. A local highest possible area (LMR), of a black and white (intensity) picture is a linked element of pixels with a given continuous strength value, such that every neighboring pixel of the area has a totally reduced strength. To analyze the nearby of only one highest possible pixel in a MA applicant area, the strength principles along distinct line segments of different orientations, whose primary pixel is the applicant pixel, are documented [9, 11]. On the acquired cross-section information we execute a optimum detection step. Our aim is to choose whether a optimum is existing at the middle of the information, i.e., at the place of the candidate point for a particular route. We determine several qualities of the optimum, and the ultimate function set includes a set of

mathematical actions that display how these principles differ as the alignment of the cross-section is modifying. This way, the distinction of important characteristics, such as balance and form of the framework, and its distinction from the qualifications may be numerically indicated.

IMPLEMENTATION PROCEDURE OF FCM

Fuzzy clustering is one of the most commonly used fuzzy techniques in picture segmentation of the retinal pictures. It is a repetitive criteria. FCM can be used to develop groups (segments) where the category account of pixels can be considered as the level of belongingness of the pixel to the groups.

Let $A = \{x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_n\}$ signify a set of p of the given picture, where n is the variety of pixels and $B = \{v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_c\}$ is the corresponding set of unclear group facilities, where c is the variety of groups. The primary aim is to reduce the purpose operate $J(U, V)$, which is a squared mistake clustering requirements described as:

where $\|X_i - V_j\|^2$ is the Euclidean distance between x_{ij} and v_j . μ_{ij} is the account level of pixel x_i to the cluster center v_j and μ_{ij} has to fulfill the following conditions:

$$\mu_{ij} \in [0, 1], \forall_i = 1 \dots n, \forall_j = 1 \dots c$$

$$\sum_{j=1}^c \mu_{ij} = 1, \forall_i = 1 \dots n$$

$U = (\mu)_{ij \times c}$ is a fuzzy partition matrix. Parameter m is known as the fuzziness index; it is used to management the fuzziness of account of each pixel. The value of m should be within the variety $m \in [1, \gamma]$. m is a weighting exponent that meets $m > 1$ and manages the level of fuzziness in the causing account functions: As m techniques oneness, the account features become sharper, and strategy binary features. As m increases, the account features become progressively fuzzy.

FCM algorithm procedure as follows:

Initialize the cluster centres $V = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_c\}$, or initialize the membership matrix μ_{ij} with random value such that it satisfies conditions shown in above.

Calculate the fuzzy membership μ_{ij} using:

$$\mu_{ij} = \frac{1}{\sum_{k=1}^c \left(\frac{d_{ij}}{d_{ik}}\right)^{\frac{2}{m-1}}}$$

Compute the fuzzy centres v_j using:



$$v_j = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (\mu_{ij})^m x_i}{\sum_{i=1}^n (\mu_{ij})^m}$$

This is the procedure of the fuzzy c-mean algorithm in cluster present in progressive data environment and in image verification processes. Develop this procedure in section III for clustering verification of the matching events present in the processing events.

PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

The purpose of the suggested technique concentrates on acquiring the different information factors with centroid and mean value by spinning a feedback picture in some position [13, 15]. The groups are established in accordance with the range measured over the picture after spinning. The optic cup dimension the feedback picture is in contrast to unique picture by calculating the range from regular to extended dimension. This spatial spinning is mainly to recognize the group centroid to be able to recognize the glaucoma with most.

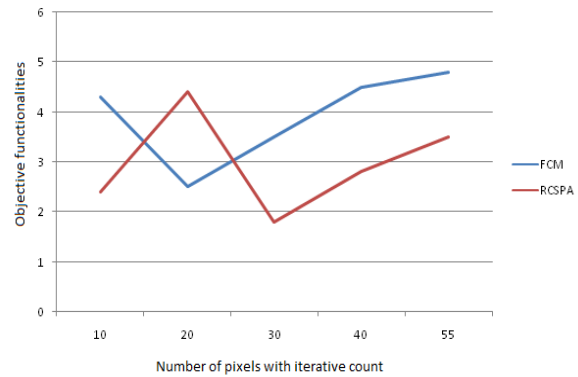


Figure-4. Iteration processing events based of their functionalities.

The microaneurysms is measured centered on various spatial factors over the fundus pictures are described in the following area. The feedback image and unique picture are showed by the NxN matrix i.e., ranges of information components. Here the I1 is an input image and I2 is a unique picture. The suggested work is used to figure out whether the feedback picture has glaucoma or not.

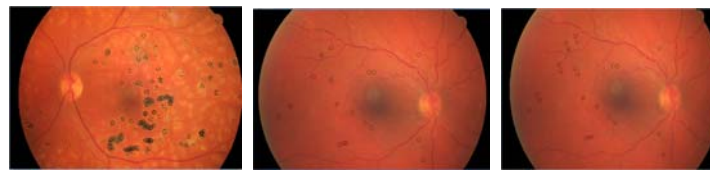


Figure-5(a). False positive data processing in retinal images using Fuzzy C-means when compare to traditional technique.

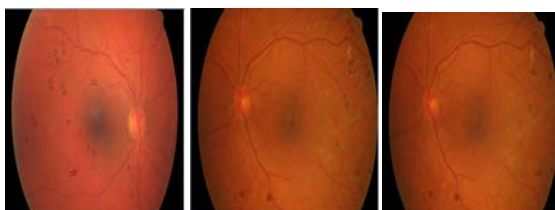


Figure-5(b). Microaneurysm detection in retinal fundus images with low value complexity.

As shown in the above figure, we process false positive rate may decreased when more number of images increased. We process and extract the data sets related to different retinal images which microaneurysms as problem in retinas then we upload those images to our developed proposed technique fuzzy c-means clustering algorithm.

Table-1. Microaneurysms mean values with processing of pixels in retinal images.

Selected feature	Microaneurysms	Non-Microaneurysms
Image path	0.7682	Bellow 0.547
Histogram	-0.1245	Above 1.245
Height	-0.7856	+0.7856
Weight	1.8157	3.1456
Color	0.365	Above 0.768

Table-2. Some of the participating teams for ROC value based on processing of application.

S. No.	Team name	Score
1	DRSCREEN	0.437
2	GANESH(Proposed Approach)	0.435
3	Istvan Lazar (Traditional approach)	0.433
4	Latim	0.394
5	OK medical	0.375



The above shows efficient and effective image process due to its mean value presentation in real time data presentation of image retrieval with different features. The calculation of the false positive rate of our proposed work may compare with other working strategies of the traditionally proposed developed techniques like K-Means clustering, and rotating cross-section profile analysis and other latest developed techniques may achieve and eligible for open source Retinopathy Online Challenge commitment, ROC is an international organization for online opponents dedicated to assess the perfection of micro aneurysm receptors under the same conditions. The place of the MAs is only available for the assess set. This gives each participating team to be able to exercise their techniques on the training set, and post their results obtained on the assess set, by means of places of candidate synchronizes and guarantee concepts. The greatest position of a method is me sured as the common knowing at seven wrong beneficial prices. The scores of the microanyrisms identification in retinal images may following equation:

$$ROC\ Score = \frac{Originalfalse\ rate}{Computedfalse\ rate}$$

This is formulae for calculating Retinopathy Online Challenge for training and testing images with processing application development in retinal images with suitable forms. Some of the example scores of Retinopathy Online Challenge in retinal image processing events as follows:

Where it obtained greater ranking than any other personal technique and the only greater ranking was achieved by a collection centered technique that contains the predecessor of the suggested one.

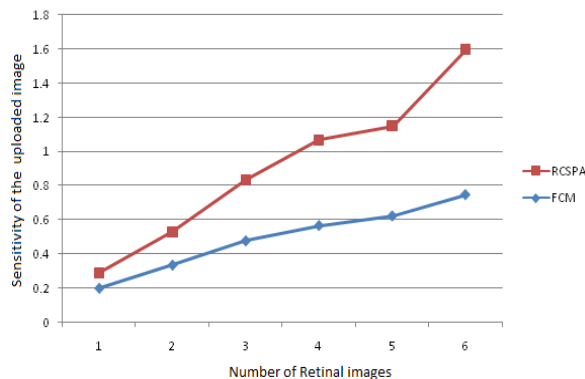


Figure-6. ROC curve representation in both Rotational Cross- Section Analysis and Fuzzy C-Means Clustering.

As shown in the above figure we formulate the representation of fuzzy c-means clustering with highest reduced false positive rate in retinal images may perform commitment and other procedures.

Mathematical Analysis of the Microanyrisms Detection: Fuzzy C-Means Clustering algorithm compares two images which belong to same cluster with membership value in different angles of rotation. Image representation of the pixels in different formation,

$$I_1 = \begin{bmatrix} r11 & r12 & \dots & r1n \\ r21 & r22 & \dots & r2n \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ rm1 & rm2 & \dots & rmn \end{bmatrix}$$

Another representation of retinal image format as follows

$$I_2 = \begin{bmatrix} r11 & r12 & \dots & r1n \\ r21 & r22 & \dots & r2n \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ rm1 & rm2 & \dots & rmn \end{bmatrix}$$

The pictures are turned in various position then the outliers are quickly recognized from the feedback image. The RGB Image is converted to gray scale image for further processing.

$$I_1 = X[\theta[I_1]]$$

$$I_2 = X[\theta[I_2]]$$

The noise is removed by using filter for efficient processing of the image

$$I_1 = Filter[X[\theta[I_1]]]$$

$$I_2 = Filter[X[\theta[I_2]]]$$

The center of the image with respective angle of rotation. The image comparison and final detection of microanyrisms as follows:

Image Comparison:

$$\begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } ((I_1 \cup MF \cup C \cup OF)) \\ True & \cap (I_2 \cup MF \cup C \cup OF) = \phi \\ False & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases} \begin{matrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{matrix}$$

By using this equation we process efficient comparison of the cluster analysis in fuzzy c-means with processing of pixels in commitment and other proceedings in data of retinal images. Time calculation of the proposed image process in retinal images achieve as follows:

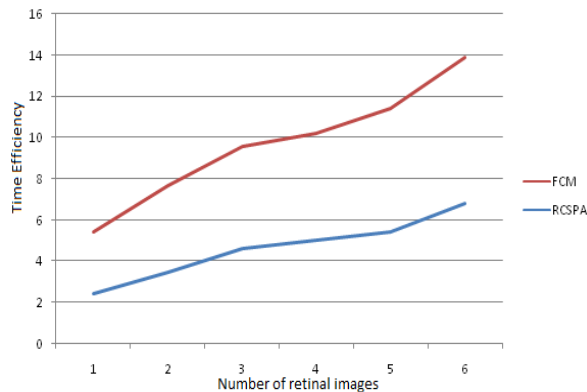


Figure-7. Comparison time analysis in RCSPA and FCM.

The fuzzy c-means clustering algorithm performs on image and converts that image to histogram for analysis of the processing of pixel rotations in different planes in uploaded image which includes same degree of the pixels were attached to same cluster and then find equivalent pixel for same cluster related to processing of application. False positive rate is the efficient detection procedure in recent application process [6]. By using Fuzzy C-Means clustering algorithm may reduce false positive rates in retinal images which include microaneurysm as color in uploaded image.

As shown in the above figure, time efficiency of fuzzy c-means clustering is highly process to KCSPA, because there was a computational logic in identifying microaneurysms in retinal image is not efficient accurate finding data due to that the time was reduced to process overall image process. Where as compared to proposal technique of this paper give maximum rate of microaneurysms in uploaded retinal image. As shown in the Figure-6, we compute microaneurysms based on cluster analysis of the FCM with member ship complexity in application development.

CONCLUSIONS

We have provided a means for the recognition of MAs on retinal pictures, based on the key of examining directional cross-section information based on the applicant pixels of the preprocessed picture. The number of pixels to be processed is considerably decreased by only considering the local maxima of the preprocessed picture. We implement optimum recognition on each information, and determine a set of principles that explain the dimension, dimension, and form of the main optimum. The Unclear K-C-Means clustering is quicker and more precise in comparison to these techniques but it is complicated. A Customized Spatial Fuzzy C-Means clustering is suggested to get over the issues related to the current methods. The procedure of the proposed criteria is to Figure out the group centroid which is measured in accordance with the range between the data factors of the turned picture. The group is formed until no more information factors prevails in the picture. The glaucoma illness in the eye is recognized from the group with the

incident of more information factors. This algorithm is limited to small databases which are related to the glaucoma. Later on, the Customized Spatial Fuzzy C Indicates Clustering criteria can be extended to bigger medical databases in order to recognize the glaucoma at the most.

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