EXTRACTION AND RECOVERING OF FINGER VEIN VERIFICATION BASED ON DEEP ATTRIBUTE REPRESENTATION

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ABSTRACT

A finger vein authentication system is proposed in this research. Biometrics is the science of determining a person's identity based on physiological or behavioral characteristics. Physical characteristics like fingerprints, a face or a retina, as well as personal characteristics like a signature, are included in these characteristics. Biometric features are significantly more difficult for attackers to replicate or fabricate than traditional methods, and they are extremely rare to lose. Biometric traits are used in the identification system, which increases security and dependability. The technology to verify vein patterns is still relatively new, compared with other human characteristics. The proposed work focuses on developing a contactless sensor to retrieve features from the hand's finger vein pattern using a Deep attribute Representation based Fractional Firefly method (DAR-FFF). Vein pattern identification scans the blood for hemoglobin using an infrared light source. After the participant's palm is placed over the sensing device, an infrared region beam from the device measures the orientation of the arteries. These ultraviolet wavelengths are absorbed by liquid hemoglobin in the vasculature, resulting in dark streaks on the map. The hand's finger has more intricate circulatory pathways and a variety of distinguishing characteristics. Image enhancement, skeletonization, and vein pattern chain code comparison are all processes in this procedure.

Keywords: Biometric Finger Vein, Image Enhancement, Modified Un-sharp Mask Log-Gabor Filter, Line Tracking, Skeleton Zed Image.

1.0 INTRODUCTION

Vein recognition progressed over the previous decade from a separate biological sensory with a saturated solution for activity recognition in thumbprint and hand gesture structures. Capturing procedure is traditionally divided into two categories: near-infrared and far-infrared approaches. Vein vision systems are founded just on a wavelength range strategy take explains variations in the sunlight absorption spectra of interstitial fluid moving through ventral blood veins and the underlying structures. Veins appear as tubular dark structures [1]. Absorb a greater amount because of the brightness beam generated via means of the sensor's LED than the surrounding tissue. Some far thermal approaches can also be used to analyze the body’s natural thermal conduction. Because the warmth of plasma often is greater than the amount of thermal energy region, this gamut can be used to calculate the heat imbalance between the vasculature and the cells. Additionally, because vein scanners do not require direct physical touch, they are believed to be more hygienic than devices that do.

1.1 Biometrics

Biometrics (also known as biometric authentication) is the process of identifying people based on their characteristics or qualities [2]. In data science, demographics is a kind of password management. It's also used to investigate people who've been observed in teams. Individuals are labeled and described using unique biometric identifiers measurable features [3]. Physiological and behavioral traits are frequently used to categorize biometric identifiers [4]. Characterizations are influenced by physical appearances. A few instances are fingerprints, machine vision, Genes, palm prints, gesture recognition, iris authentication, optic, & acrid smell. A patient's routine of behaving is tied to behavioral traits such as the passage of time due, locomotion, and vocal.

1.2 Biometric Functionality

Biometric authentication can be based on many distinct characteristics of human physiology, chemistry, or behavior. The weighing of numerous elements goes into deciding which biometric to utilize in a given application. Universality implies that the attribute should be possessed by everyone who uses the system. Individuals in the relevant population should be enough distinct for the attribute to be distinguishable from one another, according to uniqueness. Measurability (collectability) refers to how easy it is to acquire or measure an attribute. Moreover, the material might be in a structure that enables reprocessing and recovery of relevant attributes. The other operation is the only one that can be used. Biometrics is utilized because other ways of user identification, like codes, PINs, or tokens, have failed.

1.3 Finger Vein Recognition

Biometric authentication, which includes limb localization, is a technique for recognizing people depending on their physical and behavioral features [5]. Vein recognition is the ability of technology that identifies people by looking at the endoscopic images on their fingers. In the world of biometrics, vein recognition is a relatively new technological advancement. It's utilized at ATMs, banks, police enforcement, military facilities, and other places where extreme security is required. The ID verification process is fairly quick and does not require any communication. The vein pattern's structure can be discovered, captured, and validated using a light-transmission approach [6-8]. One of the reasons vein recognition has such a high potential for rapid growth. Vein recognition biometric technology can be done in a variety of ways. Some firms have created gadgets that examine the vein single tier in the forefinger or numerous knuckles simultaneously. Many have developed gadgets that analyze the descriptors behind the thumb and on the palms of the hands [9]. Consumers have a wide range of options to satisfy their wants and demands because of the number of devices accessible.

2.0 LITERATURE SURVEY

The survey section examines and investigates the concept of existing biometric and hand vein studies. The section holds a brief state and limitations of some recent hand vein authentication processes. In, a Lorenz encryption method was developed to encrypt the dorsal hand vein images. The images were enhanced using the correlation histogram. Random numbers were placed to the NIST-800-22 test and speeded up using the matching algorithm for the encryption process. Then the processed images are encrypted in a microcomputer environment. process. The result of the analysis was measured in the different security analysis processes. The review of the multi-factor biometric system with enhanced security was developed for finger knuckle and finger vein authentication. Here, the unique biometric features were extracted and fused using the repeated line tracking technique and FFT respectively [10]. The optimal weight is calculated and classified using SVM and k-neural networks. Still, it has a pitfall in detecting the optimal weight score.

The concepts of normalization and intensity local histogram equalization are used to raise the picture's sharpness. In, a deep learning model was developed for the extraction and recovery process of vein pattern features. It separates the background and vein image for clear ambiguity [11]. Then the ambiguous region is segmented and processed in a convolution neural network to recover the missing vein patterns. The model has limitations in local illumination and balancing problem. The comparative analysis of various biometric techniques given in defines the advantage and disadvantages of biometric systems [12]. It analyzes various biometric features such as the face, Iris, lips, voice, fingerprint and vein. It concludes that the face recognition system faces more problems in the case of accuracy. The purpose of this research is to examine thinning and skeletonization strategies from representation. It discusses picture skeletonization, the requirement for endochondral ossification, and how vertebrae are extracted from photos using the narrowing approach [13] [24]

Current research provides an enhanced thinning strategy based on a linked component approach. The fact that the existing morphological thinning method is not automatic is one of its drawbacks [14]. Human participation is always required to discover the good skeleton and afterward to halt the iterative process. This approach is unique in that it evaluates the amount of all data points at all times, allowing the procedure as frictionless as feasible. The current approach is tested on English alphabets with a variety of structures and shapes, with positive results.

3.0 METHODOLOGIES

For the precise recognition of finger veins, the current approach involves numerous feature-level operations. The finger vein is utilized for enhancement by preprocessing by undergoing further feature extraction with feature level selection. The comprehensive processing steps to achieve effective finger vein recognition are demonstrated in Figure.

3.1 Deep Attribute Representation based Finger vein Recognition

This assignment aims to implement a system for obtaining and analyzing snapshots of finger arteries using MATLAB for user identification. It requires developing apparatus for image capturing, designing a similarity score for analyzing the biometric pattern, and then data is used to train the method section. In Fig. 1 generic Fingerprint tracking system includes object recognition, image preprocessing, principal component analysis, and pairing.

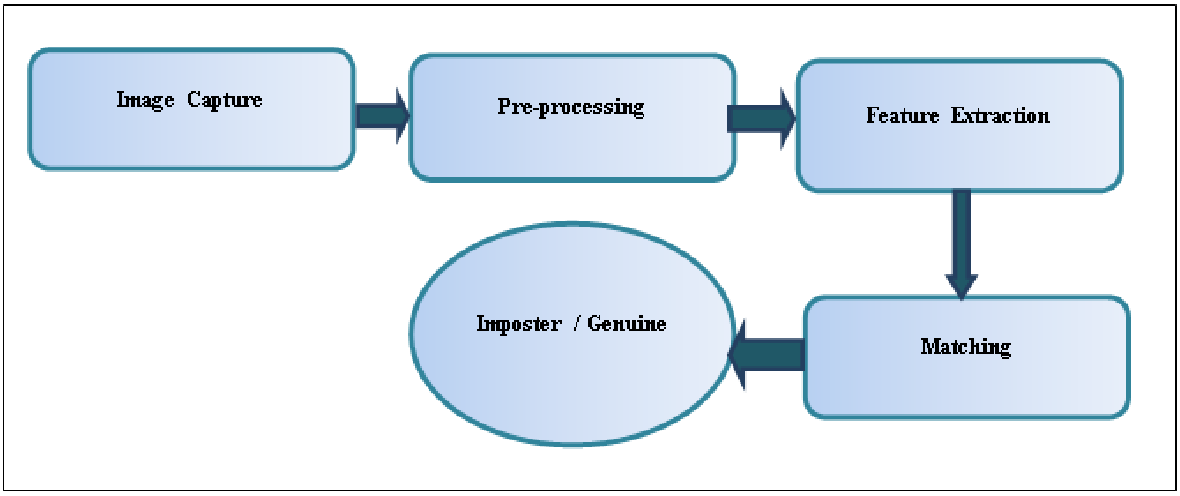

Fig. 1: Processing

3.2 Image capture

A finger in an image sensor sensitive to infrared light can be used to view vein patterns. Hemoglobin blocks infrared radiation from passing through the human body's tissues. But since hemoglobin is firmly condensed in afferent arteriole, thermal radiation flowing throughout veins emerges as dark silhouette streaks within the resulting image.

3.3 Pre-processing

Pre-processing is the initial stage in Multimodal biometric recognition is a concept that has been proposed [15]. Improves the suitability of the photos to be used as training in succeeding phases. Normalization, filtering, and resizing are all critical operations.

Following the reading of the input images, the normalization stages are used to transform a set of points together within a mini-batch. Given input photos are smoothed using median filtering, it makes the query images considerably more displayed [24]. This method is also useful for identifying vein sections during feature extraction. Then, using an interpolation approach, remodified image is used to revert all of the query photos to a fixed size. Image segmentation is a phase in the preprocessing process that divides the acquired image into numerous pieces. Each pixel in a segment will be similar in terms of color, texture, and intensity [16]. The goal of segmentation is to transform an image's representation into a more easily comprehendible one. Image splitting is a technique for identifying objects and boundaries in a photograph. The process of providing a label to each pixel in an image is known as segmentation. Pixels with certain aesthetic attributes will be shared by all labels.

3.4 Feature extraction via Repeated Line

This part explains how to retrieve knuckle joint and venules patterns using a repetition line method. To begin the collision avoidance function, any point in the supplied frame can be used. The intelligent video surveillance point is supplied as the data points image frame in the palm joint and palm vein frames, and this spot is observed from frame to panel along with the darkest line pattern. As a result, the technique of extracting features from an image is described in Fig. 2. The sharpness of cell I j in the thumb knuckle picture is FIj. The formula is F m, n. particle m, n's value in the palm vein frame, and F m, n is the cell m, n's concentration in the biometric portrait. The sets of the number of pixels in the knuckle and vein pictures of the finger, respectively, are Zfk and Zfv. The locus space is defined as Sl. The following four steps are used to extract the knuckle and vein print.

The parameters of the biometric extraction algorithm using Fourier transformations and pattern discovery. The wavelet method is a mathematical equation that divides a statistic into its many subcarriers. Each component is analyzed using the Wavelet transform, which has a resolution that corresponds to its scale. Inside the Wavelet coefficients conversion, a variable is compounded vs a HAAR wavelet featuring various trades and extends. The HAAR transform is simple to use and can assess local features. Because of these features, HAAR wavelets can be used in the Finger Vein Recognition method.

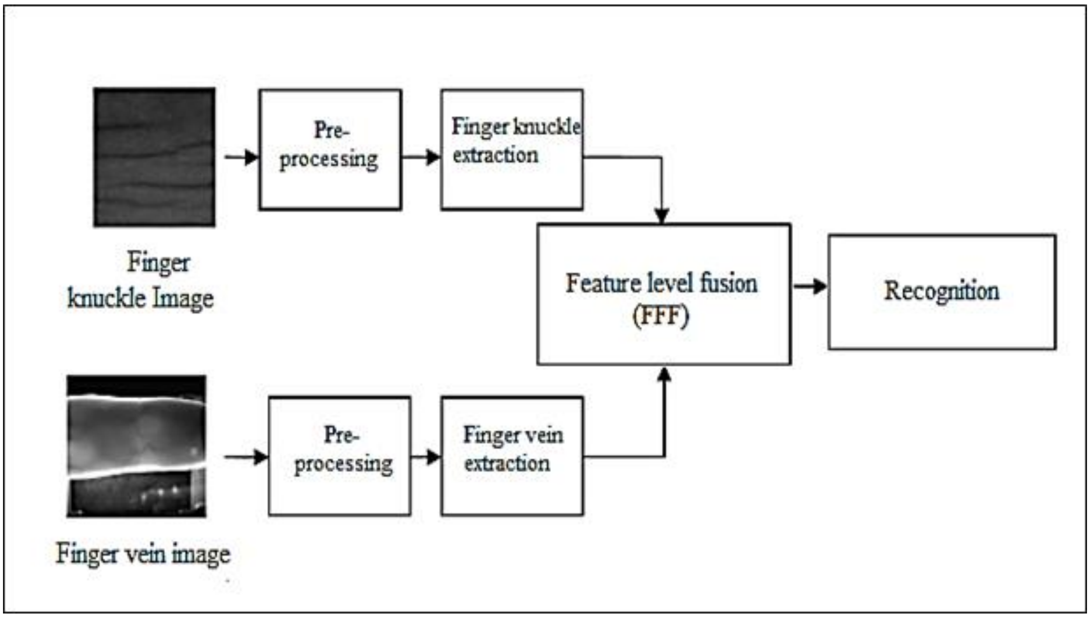

Fig. 2: Workflow

In Fig. 3 ultimately, a comparison with the registry is a made it clear process to acquire a solution from the fingerprint image recognition and classification. FAR (False Acceptance Rate) and FRR (False Rejection Rate) are two types of screening faults that might occur (Rate of False Rejection). FRR (Fast Recovery Rate) is indeed the frequency of pairs of images out of the same thumb missing to identify (the comparing rating is well below the criteria), whereas FAR is the rate of two sequences from separate thumbs coinciding (The matching score is higher than the cutoff). The EER is the failure rate when the FAR is greater than the FRR, and it can be used to evaluate the biometric security efficiency of the process. An image dataset and its attribute recovered representation are shown below. Below is an instance shot and its attribute retrieved version. In the testing phase, the previously undisclosed fingerprint picture is transferred to the preparation phases, and the blood vessel data is replaced with the characteristic derived photo. Afterward, the received image is sent to a clear role.

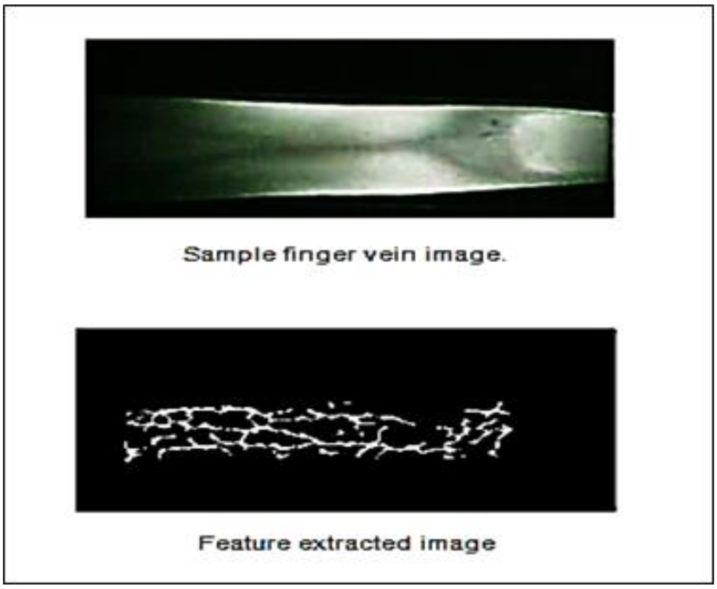

Fig. 3: Extractions

This step compares the newly attribute picture to the library snapshot and calculates a similarity metric for each of the file's fingerprint frames. Authentication is performed based on the match score. This project uses finger vein recognition to develop a very secure authentication mechanism.

3.5 FFF optimization for feature-level fusion

We provide a unique feature-level fusion optimization approach based on FFF optimization, which combines fractional theory with the firefly algorithm. Changing the quantity of light and formulating appeal is an important part of the firefly algorithm. It is a global optimization metaheuristic method based on the flashing behavior of fireflies. Assume that a firefly's attraction is regulated by the brightness or intensity of its light, which is governed by its objective function for the sake of simplicity. A brighter one attracts a less bright one and vice versa. The algorithm description is given below,

FFF algorithm

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Begin
Initialize algorithm parameters
Initialized fireflies Fn, where n=1,2,3…n randomly
Determine light intensity F at Fi using objective function
   While (t<Ff)
         For n=1to f (all f fireflies)
             For m=1 to f (all f fireflies)
               If (Fm<Fn)
                   Move firefly n towards m in both the dimensions
               End If
               Attractiveness varies with the distance d via exp (-γd²)
               Evaluate new solutions and upgrade light intensity
             End for
         End for
         Rank the fireflies and find the best solution
   End while
End procedure
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Initialization, fitness function, and firefly movement are the three phases of this method. During initialization, the *f-number* of fireflies is taken into account. The fireflies are given two-dimension names α and β (ranging from 0 to 1) before being randomly initialized. Consider L to be the size $f \times 2$ firefly. The next stage is to train each firefly with an SVM classifier and evaluate its fitness value for use in the fitness function computation. The fitness value is calculated in this scenario. Calculating the fitness value in our proposed study necessitates knowledge of the firefly f-number. The size of fireflies is frequently used to classify them. Let L be the size of the firefly with size $f \times 2$. As a consequence, for the first iteration, fireflies are initialized at random.

$$L = (L1, L2, \ldots, Lf) \tag{1}$$

L1, L2..., Lf indicate a two-dimensional firefly. As needed, extra-dimensional fireflies are created. Furthermore, the firefly's movement is represented by a pair of vectors: its current value at time t + 1 and the value it possessed at time t. The quality of the firefly's location is represented by this metric. As a result, the expressions that produce firefly are as follows:

$$l_n^{t+1} = l_n^t + \mu_0 e^{-\lambda b_{ij}^2}(l_m^t - l_n^t) + \delta\sigma_n \tag{2}$$

$$D^\alpha[l_m^t - l_n^t] = \mu_0 e^{-\lambda b_{ij}^2}(l_m^t - l_n^t) + \delta\sigma_n \tag{3}$$

$$l_n^{t+1} - \alpha l_m^t - \frac{1}{2}\alpha l_m^{t-1} - \frac{1}{6}\alpha(1-\alpha)l_m^{t-2} - \frac{1}{24}\alpha(1-\alpha)(2-\alpha)l_m^{t-3} = \mu_0 e^{-\lambda b_{nm}^2}(l_m^t - l_n^t) + \delta\sigma_n \tag{4}$$

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where t and $t + 1$ are the two consecutive iterations, $\mu 0$ is the attractiveness of the firefly at the dimension d is zero, λ is the light absorption coefficient. The above-mentioned steps are repeated until the iteration reaches to the maximum number of generations, *IF*. This work is justified such that feature-level fusion, the concatenation of the feature vector with reasonable accessibility is an important challenge in the finger vein recognition system. While using feature-level fusion, the finger vein recognition system upgrades along with the quality of the feature sets. Another important challenge with respect to feature-level fusion is to develop the reliable recognition system with easy capture of the finger vein. The fusion level is selected in a way to improve the recognition accuracy of the recognition system without degrading the system performance.

Integration at the different scales has gotten the least lot of coverage, ignoring the fact that it is expected to produce better detection accuracy and be much simple to execute. The similarity rating and deciding stages provide less knowledge for human validation when compared to the different scales. In addition, attribute fusion provides large amounts of information about the actual personal features in comparison to pairing or a score selection fusion. Fig. 4 motivates the recommended solution strategy.

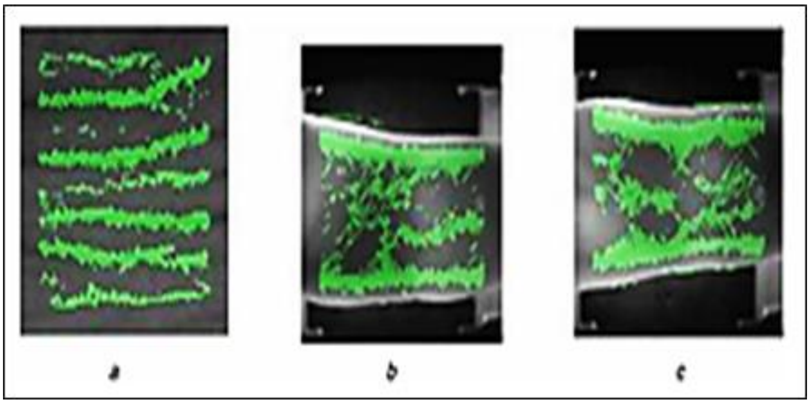

Fig. 4: Proposed approaches

3.6 Using a layered k-SVM classifier for recognition

The retrieved characteristics of the digit joint and fingerprint recognition are merged in the FFF refinement. The input is then classified using a tiered k-SVM decoder. The Support vector machine (SVM and the k-NN predictor are paired to obtain classification tasks, N 1 k-SVM descriptors are already being used. paired sequential manner to conduct non-linear and non-designation. The SVM model is a class label that can only categorize data as one of two possibilities: Zero and One is the answer. Furthermore, the k-NN decoder was a famous method such as information structure. According to the peers as in the raw test suite. Since identification is just dependent on the proximity seen between the learning algorithm and the experimental condition, the k-NN classifier outperformed for non-linear and non. SVM is also popular due to its superior functionality when dealing with large amounts of data. In the indicated study, we employed N participants for fingerprint data. Fig. 5 will recognize the objects using a tiered k-SVM predictor with N1 number of models is utilized.

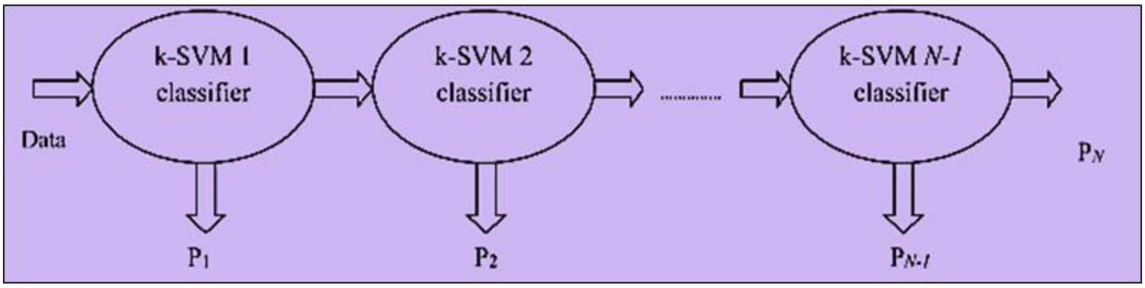

Fig. 5: k-SVM Classifier Model

4.0 RESULTS & DISCUSSIONS

4.1 Result

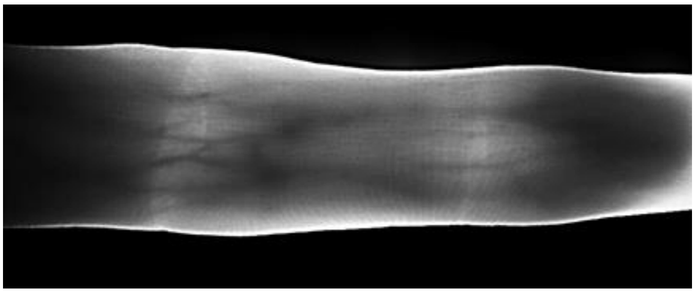

Fig. 6: Input vein image

Fig. 6 shows a frame of a fingerprint image from the SDUMLA –HMT repository and fed into the contrast enhancement block [17]. Using Contrast Limited Adaptive Histogram Equalization (CLAHE) creates a better image. By computing the cumulative distributive function, CLAHE may turn the image into a contrast-enhanced image.

1. Partition the original intensity image into contextual regions that are not overlapping, these regions are known as image tiles of $M \times N$. The 8 × 8 is of excellent quality for preserving textural image data [17].
2. Calculate that the textual region's histogram relies on the gray values in the image array.
3. Measurement of the contextual region's limited comparison by CL (clipped limit) value such as;

$$Navg = (NrX \times NrY)\ Ng \quad (6)$$

Whereas $Navg$ is the average number of pixels, $Ngray$ is the number of grayscales in the contextual region, pixel numbers in the X and Y direction of the context region are $NrX$and NrY. We can express the actual CL as:

$$NCL = Nclip \times Navg \quad (7)$$

If NCL is the real CL, the$Nclip$ is the actual CL within the limit of the [0, 1] array. The pixel will be clipped only when the number of pixels is higher thanNCL [18]. The exact number of pixels clipped is determined as $N\Sigma clip$, then the average of the remaining pixels for each gray-level is distributed such as:

$$Navggray = N\Sigma clip\ Ngray \tag{8}$$

The following statements set out the theory of trimming histograms:

$$If\ (i) = NCL \text{then } Hregion(i) = NCL \tag{9}$$

$$Else\ ((i) + Navggray) > NCL \text{then } Hregionclip(i) = NCL \tag{10}$$

$Else\ Hregion\_(i) + Hregion(i) = NCL$ (6) whereas $Hregion(i)$ and $Hregion\_(i)$ are the original gray-level histograms and trimmed histograms of each region at$i\ th$ gray-level [19]. 4. Rearrange the remaining pixels until all of the pixels have been allocated. The rearrangement of the pixel step is given by:

$$Step = Ngray/Nremain \tag{11}$$

The remaining number of clipped pixels is$Nremain$. The step is at least a positive integer 1. The program starts scanning from the minimum to the maximum gray level with the above point. When the number of pixels is less than NCLin the grayscale, this will add one pixel to the gray level, until the pixels aren't all distributed and run according to Eq.7, and new findings will go on until all remaining pixels are distributed.

4.2 Discussion

This study discusses a finger-vein recognition method that utilizes the knuckle and vein of the finger. The suggested system had feature-level fusion as a key component, with FFF optimization as one of its characteristics. The applied repeated line tracking approach was utilized to extract the FKP from knuckle tissue and the vein from finger veins using pre-processed input images. The characteristics of the finger knuckle and vein were extracted using a grid operation on the image [20]. The resulting feature set was then fused with the proposed system utilizing a fusion approach based on the weight score level, which was generated using the suggested FFF-based optimization scheme's feature-level fusion. The fused features were identified using a layered k-SVM classifier [21].

The CLAHE contrast enhancement is implemented once again after a prominent selection of the vein where the ridges are visible and distinguishable from one another and considering the ROI of the Finger-vein image acquired from the sensor [22]. Using contrasted limited adaptive histogram equalization, the scene was upgraded in terms of intensity as shown in Fig. 7 and Fig. 8. depicts the precision-machined image. To make the skull bone image, start with a blank canvas, morphological thinning is applied to the improved image.

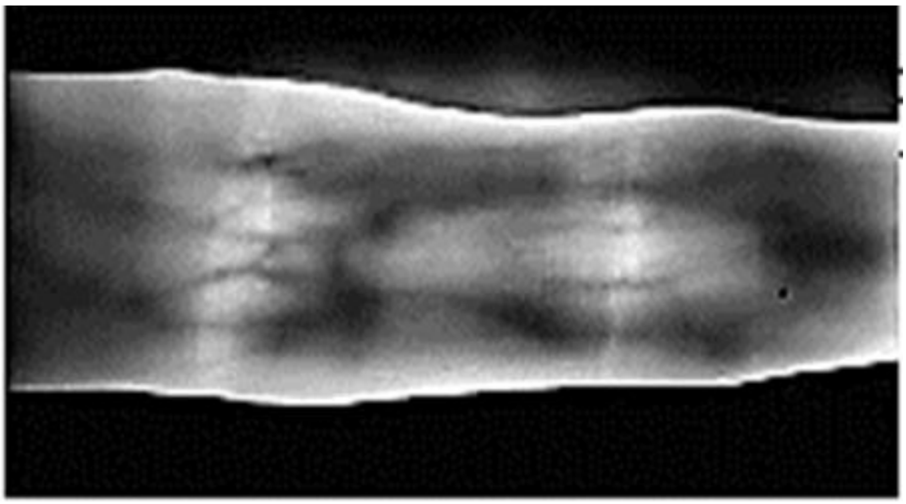

Fig. 7: Enhanced image

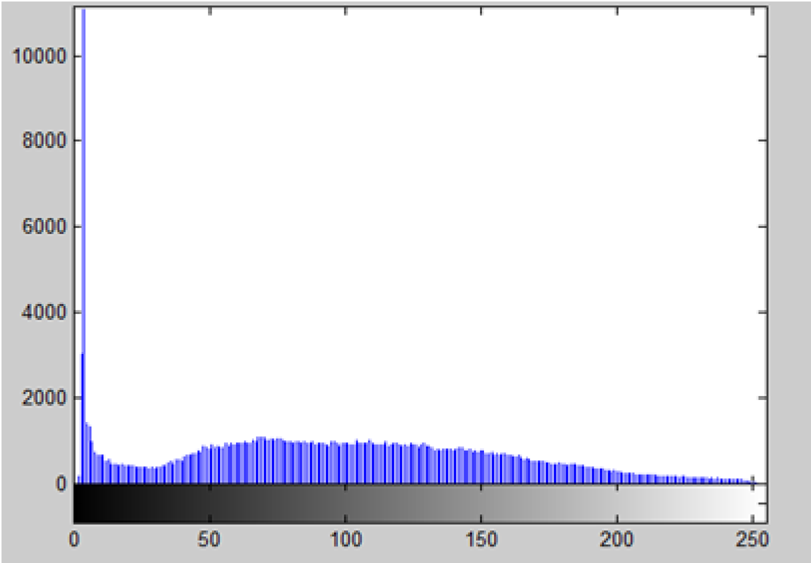

Fig. 8: Histogram plot

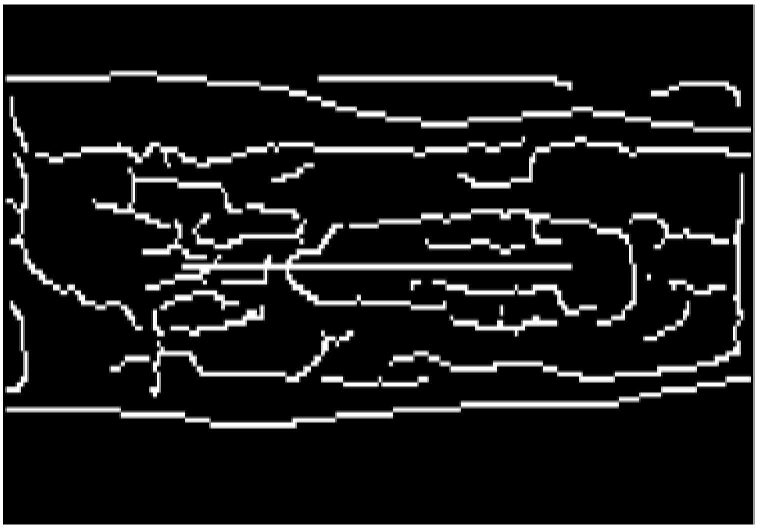

Fig. 9: Skeleton zed image

image. Iterative thinning is used to create skeletons. In vein images in a grayscale image, several procedures have been used to alter the intensity of a grayscale image. In these past few years, many enhancement algorithms were developed to increase the image contrast in a variety of applications. Image enhancement algorithms are broken down into two classifications. 1. Physical model-based image restoration, 2. Enhancement of the image utilizing image processing approaches. The conventional approach for image enhancement is histogram Equalization (HE) which works well on ordinary objects like human portraits or natural images. For relatively homogeneous regions, this suffers from noise amplification. Adaptive Histogram Equalization (AHE) is an enhanced version of the conventional scheme of HE. Because the HE is applied to the complete input image, it would not have been possible to improve the local details with a lower probability. AHE instead of a whole image runs on small data regions (tiles) The AHE amplifies the small amount of noise in a large homogeneous region of the image.

After analyzing these issues CLAHE compared to these perform well with finger-vein image enhancement. Using the Dual Contrast Limited Adaptive Histogram Equalization (DCLAHE) technique with a two-dimensional median filter to enhance the Finger-vein image to distinguish the background from the vein achieves an excellent result for the Finger-vein image. The first CLAHE implementation is utilized to enhance the Finger region, which is extracted from the overall image matrix.

The initial implementation of CLAHE helps the image to increase the entire finger region contrast as shown in Fig. 9. This approach consists of the processing of small finger areas (termed as tiles) and utilizing collective histogram necessity for each tile instead of operating on a complete image. The CLAHE restricts amplification by clipping the histogram before measuring the cumulative distribution function (CDF) to a predetermined value. It has two important bounds: Block Size (BS/tile), Clip Limit (CL).

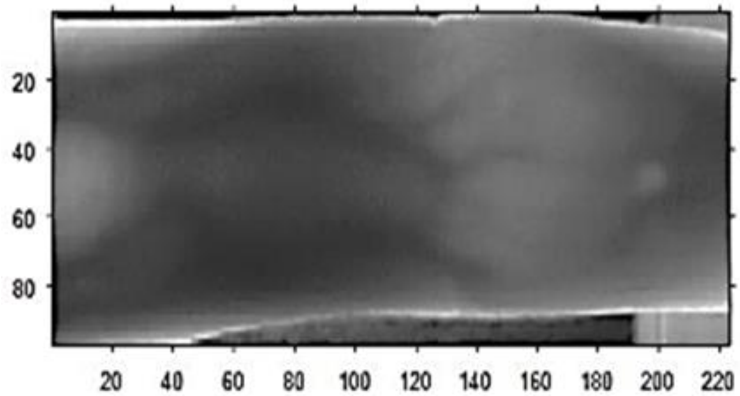

Fig. 10 (a): Enhanced image from finger region

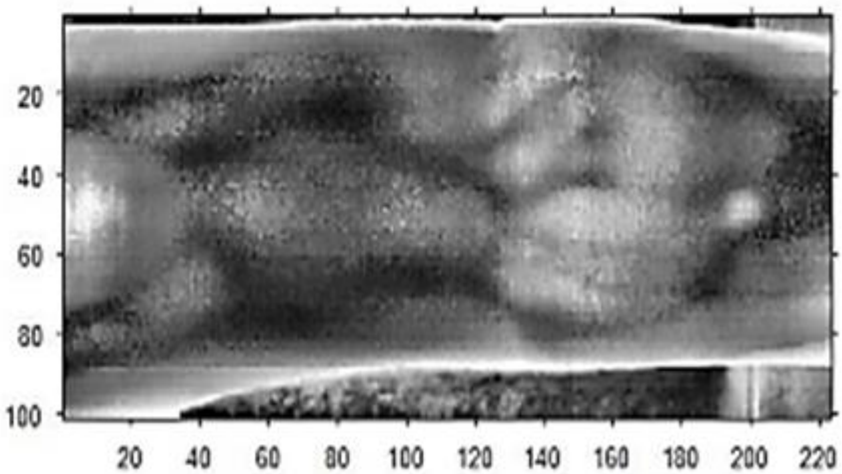

Fig. 10 (b): Enhanced image from first CLAHE

In Fig. 10 (a) and 10 (b) it can be observed that contrast difference before the first CLAHE, after enhancing the contrast of the finger region with the tile size of 8×8 with a clip limit of 0.03 and cumulative distribution of 0.4. The initial CLAHE clips the limits of the histogram and enhances the contrast by distributing the histogram around the neighboring pixels of the finger region. Distribution is a string that determines the desired shape for the tiles of the image. The distribution utilizes an exponential shape for tiles as it is noticeable from histogram analyses that it needs an exponential shape for tiles because of veins ridges. After the CLAHE now select the ROI where the character of the finger-vein looks dominant as compared to other areas. Chain code comparison is based on skeleton images at Fig. 11.

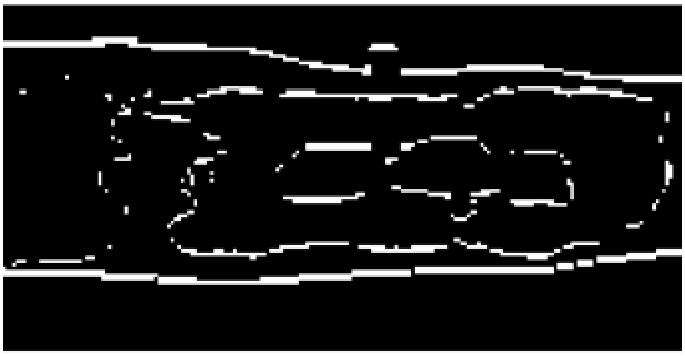

Fig. 11: Thresholding

Then, between the reference and test skeletons, a chain code comparison is done to determine regardless of if the source has been validated.

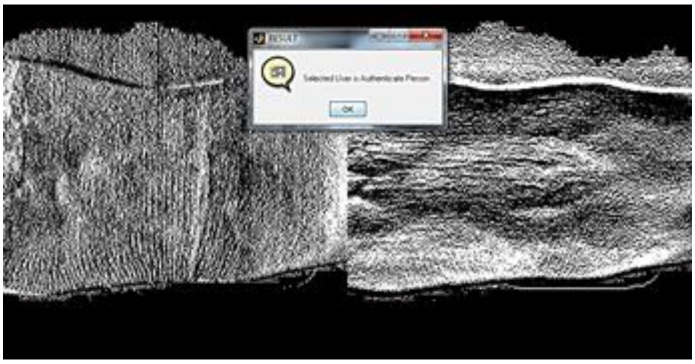

Fig. 12: Authentication

The outcome of the attestation is depicted in Fig. 12. If both the reference and test skeletons match after chain code comparison, the individual is authenticated; otherwise, the person is unauthenticated.

4.3 Comparative analysis

The performance metrics of the proposed system is evaluated by comparing the accuracy, specificity, sensitivity and the precision ratio of the existing techniques such as generalized Hough transform (GHT), Gradient Feature Selection Algorithm (GFS) and K-Nearest Neighbour (KNN) techniques with proposed Deep attribute based FFF methodology Table 1.

Table 1: Performance measure analysis of existing optimization techniques with EHO

Performance measure	**Optimization techniques**			
	GFS	GHT	KNN	Proposed DAR-FFF
sensitivity	41.32	21.76	65.72	66.98
specificity	42.84	48.85	52.67	78.32
accuracy	39.65	36.24	35.99	87.32
Precision ratio	46.24	25.66	22.34	82.23

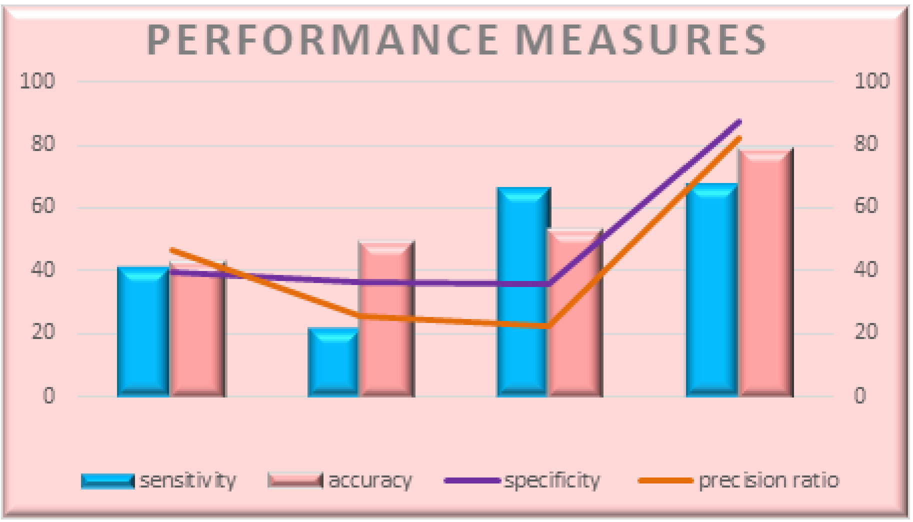

Fig. 13: Performance analysis

Through the performance analysis of measures namely sensitivity, specificity, accuracy, and the precision ratio of the existing methods particularly GFS, GHT AND KNN with DAR-FFF the performance progress is attained by 68%,80%,85%,88% respectively related to preceding techniques. The achievement of the performance result is 0.6%. the graphical representation was given in the preceding Fig. 13.

5.0 CONCLUSIONS

Finally, presented a multifunctional biometric authentication platform related to the thumb joint & vascular. The suggested system included the establishment of FFF optimized for data augmentation. The FKP was recovered from the elbow shot and the vascular was isolated from the biometric imaging without pre-processing the intake images.

These photos were created using a technique called repeating line monitoring. Through using a power system on the shot, the information from the thumb joint and vascular was once again extracted. The system design was then used to fuse the provided functionality with the help of the value measurement level, which was obtained using the FFF optimizer by texture analysis. A multilayered k-SVM classifier was then utilized to perform categorization utilizing the fused functionality. The proposed system was studied based on existing solutions, and its analysis was done using the measures FAR, FRR, EER, and reliability. We noticed that the current technique was correct as a result of the analysis. To determine the best-weighted scoring, the presented system can be enhanced in the future to provide various objective factors. The overall performance improvement is achieved by 0.6%.

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